

OBITUARIES

RUTH BENNETT

Former Sunday School teacher at Noxen United Methodist Church

Ruth A. Bennett, 84, of Noxen, died Tuesday Feb. 5, 2002 at home. Born June 18, 1917 in Noxen, she was a daughter of the late Oscar and Ethel (Brown) Patton. She was a graduate of the Beaumont High School. She worked for the former Rexall Drug Store, Tunkhannock, and McCrory's Department Store, Shavertown, Kingston Township, before retiring. She was a member of the Noxen United Methodist Church, where she was in the Classmates, the Helping Hands, United Methodist Women and was a former Sunday School teacher. She was a past worthy matron of the Order of the Eastern Star, Dallas 396 and also a member of the Past Patrons and Matrons of Dallas and the Harveys Lake Women's Service Club. She was preceded in death by her son, Leo M.; and brothers, Franklin, Albert and Richard.

Surviving are her husband of 60 years, Harold O.; son, Robert L., Noxen; daughter, Carol Hobbs, Harveys Lake; four grandchildren, three great-grandchildren; and sisters, Grace Keiper, Dallas; and Clara Wells, North Arlington, Mass. Memorial donations be made to the Noxen United Methodist Church, RR 1, Box 196A, Noxen, 18636.

FLORA GIALANELLA
Brother lives in Trucksville

Flora A. Gialanella, 89, of South Hancock Street, Wilkes-Barre, died Tuesday Feb. 5, 2002 at Mercy Hospital, Wilkes-Barre. Born Aug. 16, 1912 in Wilkes-Barre, she was a daughter of the late Raphael and Ann Maria (Ricciardi) Gialanella. She resided in Pittston for many years. She was a member of St. Mary's Church of the Immaculate Conception, Wilkes-Barre, and former member of St. John the Evangelist Parish, Pittston. She was preceded in death by her brothers, Alphonso and Arthur.

Surviving are her sister, Ernestine Brady, Mountaintop; brothers, James, Trucksville, Kingston Township; and Frank, Avoca; and several nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the charity of the donor's choice.

CAROL HARDING-REESE
Former Noxen resident

Carol Harding-Reese, 72, of Crossroad School Road, Carlisle, formerly of Lewisburg, died Jan. 20, 2002 at Manor Care Health Center, Carlisle.

Born Dec. 5, 1929 in Noxen, she was the daughter of the late Wilson and Elro (Meyers) Harding. She was a graduate of Noxen High School and Moses Taylor Hospital Nursing School. She was a registered nurse at Tyler Hospital, Meshoppen. She was a member of Great Hope Baptist Church, Carlisle. She was preceded in death by her brother, Warren.

Surviving are her husband of 47 years, William C.; daughters, Cathleen, Carlisle; Christine Parker, Starksboro, Vt.; Barbara Lee, Newville; Julie Dakin, Richmond, Va.; and Rachael Powell, Santiago, Chile; sons, David, Roger, Paul and Kevin, all of Carlisle; John, Pensacola, Fla.; and Curtis, Mechanicsburg; 21 grandchildren; and brothers, Harold, Noxen; and Richard, Tunkhannock. Memorial donations may be made to Schenck Memorial Library, Noxen.

STELLA BEDNASH
Member of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union

Stella Bednash, of Dupont, died Saturday Feb. 9, 2002 at Geisinger Wyoming Valley Medical Center, Plains Township.

Born April 11, 1924, in Wilkes-Barre, she was a daughter of the late John and Stella (Zielinski) Uniataowski. She was a graduate of Coughlin High School. She worked in the local garment industry. She was a member of Holy Mother of Sorrows Polish National Catholic Church. She was also a member of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union. She was preceded in death by her husband, Stanley W.; son, Stephen; brothers, Stanley and Walter Targonski; and sisters, Anna Schilinski and Bertha Boniff.

Surviving are her son, Stanley W., Dallas; daughter, Stephanie Shumlas, West Pittston; six grandchildren; brother, John, Hunlock Creek; and nieces and nephews.

DOROTHY PETERSON
Member of Our Lady of Victory Church, Harveys Lake

Dorothy C. Peterson, 75, formerly of Harveys Lake, died Saturday Feb. 9, 2002 at the Meadows Nursing Center, Dallas.

Born in Brooklyn, N.Y., she was a daughter of the late Joseph and Ceclia (Cardinale) O'Connor and stepmother, Mary Dula O'Connor. Before retiring, she was a salad chef for the Grotto Restaurant, Harveys Lake. She was a member of Our Lady of Victory Church, Harveys Lake. She was preceded in death by her husband, Thomas F.

Surviving are her daughter, Rosemary Bender, Hunlock Creek; son, Thomas W., Rock Glen; five grandchildren, two great-grandchildren; brother, Charles, Brooklyn, N.Y.; sisters, Dolores DeFelice, Dear Park, N.Y.; Eileen Rasmussen, South Carolina; and Lillian Courtney, Pearl, Miss. Memorial donations may be made Northeast Health & Hospice, 38 N. Main St., Pittston, 18640.

MARTHA BAKER
Sister lives in Dallas

Martha (Mainwaring) Baker, 92, of West Pittston, died Saturday Feb. 9, 2002 at her home. Born June 20, 1909 in Hughtestown, she was a daughter of the late Morgan and Rose (Ace) Mainwaring. She was a member of The First Congregational United Church of Christ, West Pittston. She was preceded in death by her husband, Jay G.; son, Harold; daughter, Marion Friends; great-granddaughter, Amy Lynn Stack; brother, Rosser; and sisters, Irene Marsh, Elsie Cavill and Ethel Lyons.

Surviving are her sons, Charles, Sunbury; and Robert, Arizona; daughters, Doris Holtz, West Pittston; and Betty Williams, Rochester, N.Y.; 16 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren, one great-grandchild; sisters, Lydia German, Dallas; and Gladys Miller, West Pittston; and several nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Hospice Care of the VNA, 468 Northampton St., Edwardsville, 18704.

EDWARD BONETSKI
U.S. Army veteran of World War II

Edward A. Bonetski, 77, of Miner Street, Hudson section of Plains Township, died Thursday Feb. 7, 2002 at home, following an illness.

Born in Hudson, he was the son of the late Martin and Josephine (Skrypek) Bonetski. He was a lifelong resident of Hudson and was a graduate of Plains Memorial High School, Class of 1942. He was an Army veteran of World War II, serving in the European Theater and the Africa Campaign, where he was the recipient of several decorations, including the Purple Heart Medal.

He was employed as a postal clerk for the United States Post Office in Hazleton, until his retirement. He was a member of St. Joseph's Church, Hudson, and a retired member of the United States Postal Union. He and his wife, the former Anne C. Paddick, had celebrated their 53 wedding anniversary Nov. 6, 2001.

Surviving, in addition to his wife, are a daughter, Mrs. Steve (Donna) Cain, Ridgewood, Conn.; sons, Donald M., at home; Martin E. and his wife, Michele Bonetski; and granddaughter, Jennifer Bonetski, all of Harveys Lake; sisters, Sr. M. Joan of Arc, Mount Pocono; Madeline Caladie, Eleanor Dimer, both of Luzerne; Mrs. John (Mary Ann) Andrejko, Hudson; and a brother, Stanley and his wife, Christine Bonetski, of Miners Mills section of Wilkes-Barre.

MICHAEL SHISKOWSKI
Former Dallas resident who served in World War II

Michael Shiskowski, 81, of Luzerne, formerly of Dallas, died Monday Jan. 28, 2002 at the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Plains Township. Born Aug. 26, 1920 in Wilkes-Barre, he was a son of the late John and Helen (Rompala) Shiskowski.

He attended schools in the Plains Township public school district. He was a machinist for 25 years at the Native Textiles, Dallas. He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II, serving in the 506 Military Police Battalion. He was decorated with the American Theater Campaign Medal, European-African-Middle Eastern Theater Campaign Medal with two Bronze Service Stars, the Good Conduct Medal AR 600-68 and the Victory Medal.

He was preceded in death by his wife, the former Bernadine Good; sisters, Helen Richards, Eva Gray and Mary Mikalouska; and brothers, John and Frank.

Surviving are his son, Kenneth, Ypsilanticq, Mich.; daughters, Linda Garr, Kunkletown; Dolores, Luzerne; Nanette, Kingston; brother, Joseph, Wilkes-Barre; nieces and nephews.

Memorial donations may be made to the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals of Luzerne County, Fox Hill Road, Plains Township, 18705.

DOROTHY VALENT
Dallas resident

Dorothy C. Valent, 92, of Dallas, died Saturday Feb. 2, 2002 at the Meadows Nursing Center.

Born March 15, 1909, in Larksville, she was a daughter of the late Almon and Anna (Hughes) Gregory. She attended Larksville High School. She worked for 11 years as a sales clerk at the former Kresge Store, Wilkes-Barre. She was a member of St. John the Baptist Church. She was also a former member of the Meadowlark at the Meadows. She was preceded in death by her husband, Cyril; brother, John; and sisters, Elizabeth Valent and Mary.

Surviving are her sister, Jeanette Gimble, Shavertown; and numerous nieces and nephews.

ROSETTA ROBBINS
Resident of Dallas

Rosetta Ruth Robbins, 50, of Dallas, died Saturday Feb. 9, 2002 at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

Born Feb. 3, 1952, in Wilkes-Barre, she was a daughter of Russell and Clara (Waters) Robbins. She attended Wyoming Area High School. She also attended Slocum Chapel, Exeter. She was preceded in death by her brothers, Charles and Robert, and sister, Judith Sokolas.

Surviving, in addition to her parents, are her sisters, Gail Holdredge, Harding; Lori Rezykowski, Exeter; companion, Raymond DeArmitt; and several nieces, nephews and great-nieces.

CROSSWORD ANSWERS

— King Crossword —
Answers

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— King Crossword —
Answers

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