

**OBITUARIES**

**ESTHER STERNLIEB**

Registered nurse, served with Nurse Cadet Corps

Esther I. Sternlieb, 77, of Hickory Hill Road, Dallas, died Wednesday, February 19, 2003 at Eisenhower Medical Center, Rancho Mirage, Calif.

Born Sept. 1, 1925, in Glen Lyon, Newport Township, she was the daughter of the late Morris and Sarah (Zukerman) Iskowitz. She was a graduate of Kingston High School and Mount Sinai School of Nursing. She served with the Nurse Cadet Corps during World War II and was employed as a registered nurse, working at her husband's practice. She also taught gourmet cooking classes and was the editor for two Hadassah cookbooks. She was a member of Temple B'nai B'rith, Kingston, where she served on the board of directors. She was also a member of Ohav Zedek Synagogue. She served on the board of B'nai B'rith Apartments, a member, in perpetuity, of the Jewish Community Center, where she served on the board of trustees, and was a life member of Hadassah.

She was preceded in death by a son, Michael J.; sisters, Marian Weiss, Jenny Weisberger Solomon, Dora Weisberger and Flora Weiss; brothers, Henry Ibsen, Louis Ibsen, Maxwell Ibsen and Samuel Iskowitz.

Surviving are her husband of 57 years, Sanford B.; son, Jeffrey L., Wyomissing; daughter, Susan J. Sternlieb, Fort Collins, Colo.; seven grandchildren; a great-grandchild; brother, David Ibsen, Little Rock, Ark.; sisters, Dena Lang, Pembroke Pines, Fla.; Blanche Shore, Elkins Park; and nieces and nephews.

Memorial donations may be made to the Dr. Michael J. Sternlieb Tutorial Fund, c/o Temple B'nai B'rith, 408 Wyoming Ave., Kingston.

**JOSEPH EMERICK**

Owner and operator of Emerick's Bakery Truck

Joseph Emerick, 89, of Chase Road, Shavertown, died Thursday February 20, 2003 at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

Born in Wilkes-Barre, he was a son of the late Joseph and Margaret (Sobolka) Emerick. He was the owner and operator of Emerick's Bakery Truck and was a member of Holy Family Parish and was a third degree member of the Knights of Columbus Assumpta Council 3987, both of Luzerne.

He was preceded in death by five sisters and two brothers.

Surviving are his wife, the former Mary Luszsky; sisters, Arlene and Alberta, both of Florida; brother, Anthony, Plains Township; and many nieces and nephews.

**ROSALIE CHEBALO**

Daughter resides in Dallas

Rosalie Chebalo, 60, of Valley View Drive, Swoyersville, died Tuesday February 18, 2003

Born in Swoyersville, she was the daughter of the late Edmund and Helen (Chaka) Obremski. She was a graduate of Kingston High School and was a member of Holy Trinity Church, Swoyersville.

Surviving are her husband of 37 years, James J.; daughter, Tracey, Dallas; son, James P., West Pittston; a granddaughter; brother, Bernard, Montour Falls, N.Y.; and a niece.

**JOHN KAMUS**

Member of Gate of Heaven Church

John G. Kamus, 43, of Claude Street, Dallas, died Friday February 21, 2003 in Community Medical Center, Scranton.

Born in Scranton, he was the son of the late John P. and Isabelle (Urbanovitch) Kamus. He graduated from Bishop O'Reilly High School, Kingston. He worked as a warehouse man by Intermetro, Wilkes-Barre. He was a member of Gate of Heaven Church, Dallas.

Surviving are his wife of 24 years, the former Marisue Scharf; son, Adam, at home; daughters, Kristina Yann, Bloomsburg; and Melissa, at home.

Memorial donations may be made to the Kamus Family, c/o Gate of Heaven Church, Dallas.

**DOLORES KREITZER**

Daughter lives in Noxen

Dolores C. Kreitzer formerly of Wilkes-Barre, died Saturday February 22, 2003 at Mercy Center, Dallas.

Born July 11, 1932, in Wilkes-Barre, she was the daughter of the late Robert and Alice (Hilgert) White. She graduated from Windham High School, Philadelphia.

She was preceded in death by her companion, Stanley Derelo Jr.; and sister, Beverly Ryan.

Surviving are her sons, Richard, Plymouth; Ronald, Lexington, Ky.; Randy, Waymart; daughters, Dodie Smith, Wilkes-Barre; Cathy Wren, Wilkes-Barre; Cindy Korbeil, Noxen; 13 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; brother, George White, Lebanon, Mo.; sisters, Catherine Mishanski, Florida; Roberta White, Hazleton; and Alice Wilk, Shavertown, Kingston Township.

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**JOSEPHINE WISNIEWSKI**

Volunteer at Mercy Hospital

Josephine Wisniewski, 84, of Garrahan Street, Lyndwood section of Hanover Township, died Friday February 21, 2003 at the Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

Born March 12, 1918, in Plymouth, she was a daughter of the late Charles and Sophie (Parchenski) Steczkowski. She was employed by the local garment industry for many years and was a member of St. Casimir's Church, Lyndwood. She was a member of St. Mary's Church and the Christian Mothers Club and Friendship Club, Plymouth. She was a volunteer at Mercy Hospital, Wilkes-Barre.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Isadore; son, Robert; brothers, Edward and Leonard; sisters, Martha Romanski and Rosetta Borsch; and stepfather, John Piscotty.

Surviving are her daughter, Rose Nicely, Dallas; two grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; sisters, Gert Dula, West Wyoming; Bernadine Kosicki, Baltimore; and nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to St. Casimir's Church, Lyndwood.

**JESSIE JOHNSON**

Dallas resident leaves 25 great-grandchildren

Jessie Johnson, 86, of the Meadows Apartments, Dallas, died Feb. 14, 2003 at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

Born in Media, she was the daughter of the late George M. and Lillian (Garrett) Trimble. She was employed as a restaurant manager by Eckerd Drugs.

Surviving are sons, Samuel P. Garnett, Downingtown; Charles H. Garnett, Dallas; Philip D. Garnett, Cowgill, Mo.; daughter, Virginia Rodgers, Gordonville; 12 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; brother, George M. Trimble, Honey Brook.

**WILLIAM PUCHALSKY SR.**

Former sergeant for the Pennsylvania State Police

William R. Puchalsky Sr., of Swoyersville, died Sunday February 23, 2003 in Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

Born in Swoyersville, he was a son of the late Edward and Anna (Shalata) Puchalsky. He graduated from Swoyersville High School. He was a sergeant in the Pennsylvania State Police, stationed in Blakely, Honesdale, Daleville, Dushore, Shickshinny, Towanda, Tunkhannock, Wyoming and Hazleton. He also worked as a security officer at Penn State Wilkes-Barre in Lehman Township. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He was a member of Holy Name-St. Mary's Church, Shoemaker Street, Swoyersville; Fraternal Order of Police, Wyoming; and the Retired Pennsylvania State Troopers Association.

He was preceded in death by his sisters, Anna Yonkondy and Marcella Gowisnock.

Surviving are his wife of 52 years, the former Irene Sandroski; son, William R. Jr., Shavertown, Kingston Township; daughters, Cathy Beretski, Trucksville, Kingston Township; Capt. Patricia Workman, U.S. Navy, Memphis, Tenn.; Laurie Montigney, Swoyersville; nine grandchildren; a great-grandchild; brothers, John, Trucksville, Kingston Township; Thomas, Mechanicsburg; Lawrence, Jacksonville, Fla.; sisters, Elizabeth Vanyo, Swoyersville; Barbara Ripa, Swoyersville; Thelma Evanko, Allentown, N.J.; Lorraine Bebey, Levittown; and nieces and nephews.

**CORA FINK**

Former chaplain of the Pa. Auxiliary of Gideons International

Cora C. Fink, age 96, a former resident of Elysburg, died Monday evening February 17, 2003 in the Meadows Nursing Center, Dallas, Pa.

She was born in Paxinos, on Dec. 22, 1906, the daughter of the late Oliver and Margaret (Lauer) Erdman. She was preceded in death by her husband, Edwin C. Fink, in 1994. She was a member of the Oaklyn Independent Baptist Church, RR 2, Sunbury. She was a charter member of the Auxiliary of Gideons International of Shamokin, and she served as chaplain of the state of Pa. Auxiliary of Gideons International.

She is survived by one son, Ronald E. Fink, Dallas, Pa.; also surviving are two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Clinton and Harrison; and by three sisters, Florence Sunderland, Betty Calbick and Edith Spade.

In lieu of flowers, donations to Gideon International, P.O. Box 141, Sunbury, PA 17801 or to the Auxiliary of Meadows Nursing Center, Dallas, PA 18612.

**SISTER ANNE MARIE AUSTIN, RSM**

Member of Sisters of Mercy of the Americas

Sister Anne Marie Austin, RSM, a member of the Dallas Regional Community of the Sisters of Mercy of the Americas, died Monday February 17, 2003 at Mercy Hospital, Wilkes-Barre.

Born Dec. 29, 1927, in Wilkes-Barre, she was a daughter of the late Thomas and Anna (Cunningham) Austin. She was a 1945 graduate of St. Mary's High School, Wilkes-Barre. She received a bachelor's degree in elementary education from College Misericordia and certification in library science in 1969. She entered the Sisters of Mercy, Dallas, on Sept. 8, 1952 and upon reception, was given her religious name, Sister Mary Ita. She pronounced her vows on March 12, 1953 and celebrated her golden jubilee as a Sister of Mercy on Sept. 8, 2002.

She was preceded in death by brother, Michael; and sister, Collette Bergstrasser.

Memorial donations may be made to the Retirement Fund, Sisters of Mercy, P.O. Box 369, Dallas, Pa.

**MARY POWELL**

Trucksville resident and former Girl Scout leader

Mary Alma Powell, 81, of Trucksville, died Sunday February 16, 2003 at the Meadows Nursing Center, Dallas.

Born Feb. 25, 1921, in Philadelphia, she was a daughter of the late Horace S. and Cora (McPherson) Way. She was a graduate of West Philadelphia High School. She was employed in the service department of John Wanamaker's Department Store, Philadelphia, and was a title examiner for Transamerica Title Co., Los Angeles, for many years. She was a Girl Scout leader in South Philadelphia. She was a member of the Mozart Club, Wilkes-Barre, the Unitarian Universalist Congre-

gation of Wyoming Valley and a life member of the National Gymanfa Ganu.

She was preceded in death by sisters, Edna Henry and Gertrude Sees; and brothers, David, Joseph and William Barkman.

Surviving are her husband of 61 years, George A.; son, George A. Jr., Albuquerque, N.M.; daughter, Elizabeth M. Roth, Los Angeles; and nieces and nephews.

Memorial donations may be made to the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Wyoming Valley, 82 S. Main St., Wilkes-Barre.

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