

OBITUARIES

MICHAEL SHONK

Retired from Marines

Michael (Dick) Shonk, 71, of Trucksville, passed away Wednesday morning at his home.

Born June 26, 1933, in Wilkes-Barre, he was a son of the late Michael and Loretta Rothery Shonk.

He was a resident of Trucksville for the past two years and previously resided in Dallas. He was a 1952 graduate of Luzerne High School. After graduation he joined the Marine Corps, serving during the Korean and Vietnam wars, retiring after 21 years of service as a Gunnery Sgt. Prior to retiring, he served as a plant supervisor for Raytheon in San Diego, Calif.

He was preceded in death by his wife, the former Virginia Martinaitis; brothers, William, Francis, George and Albert; sisters, Charlotte Banta and Doris Ruger.

He was a member of George M. Dallas Lodge No. 531, F&AM; Caldwell Consistory, Bloomsburg; Irem Temple AAOONS, Dallas; Dallas American Legion Post No. 672; MCATA.

Surviving are his companion, Anne Harleman and numerous nieces and nephews.

DOUGLAS TOOMEY

Graduate of Baptist Bible College

Douglas J. Toomey of Rinker Lane, Tunkhannock, died Thursday morning at his residence. He was born in Concord, NC, on September 12, 1949, a son of James Toomey of Lindenhurst, New York, and the late Ann Frazer Toomey.

He was a graduate of Lindenhurst High School, Class of 1967, and a 1973 graduate of Baptist Bible College. He was employed as a design draftsman at Malcolm Pirnie in Moosic, and was a member of the Tunkhannock Baptist Church.

Surviving are his wife of 27 years, Noreen Giberson Toomey; sons, James, Joel and Shawn, all of Tunkhannock; brother, John Toomey, of Bayshore, NY; sister, Nanci Coogan, Port Charlotte, Fla.

Interment, Sunnyside Cemetery, Tunkhannock.

ALBERT MATUKITIS

Loved the outdoors

Albert A. Matukitis, 57, of Franklin Twp., died Friday morning at Kingston Manor after a lengthy illness.

Born in Dallas, he was a graduate of Dallas High School, and was employed as a postal worker until his retirement.

He was an avid hunter, fisherman, outdoorsman, and farmer.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Alex and Josephine (Moreck) Matukitis.

Surviving are his cousins. Interment, Mount Olivet Cemetery, Carverton.

Memorial donations may be made to Holy Family Parish, 574 Bennett Street, P.O. Box 125, Luzerne, PA, 18709.

DR. ALBERT SCHIOWITZ

Former Chief of Surgery at General Hospital

The Schiowitz family mourns the recent loss of Dr. Albert Schiowitz after a protracted illness. A 58-year member of Wilkes-Barre General Hospital surgical staff, former Chief of General Surgery, he did not retire until 2004. He had lived in Dallas for many years.

Born in Wilkes-Barre, son of the late Mollie (Sommer) and Morris Schiowitz, he was a member of Meyers High School's first graduating class and an alumnus of the University of Scranton and Jefferson Medical College. He was a resident at Wilkes-Barre General and served five and one-half years as a U.S. Army surgeon during World War II, attaining the rank of lieutenant colonel and directing surgery at the 129th General Hospital (England). His brothers, Nathan and Morton, were simultaneously stationed in England. Later he served as a Wilkes-Barre VA Hospital consultant for 25 years. He was active in the community, including service to the United Fund, and served as director of the ILGWU Health Center, a pioneer in diagnostic screening. He was a member of Congregation Ohav Zedek and Temple B'nai B'rith.

Dr. Schiowitz served two terms on the board of Wilkes-Barre General Hospital and is a past medical staff president. He was elected to WVHCS's Inaugural Wall of Fame. The family also donated the hospital's medical library.

Dr. Schiowitz was married to Jean (Fuerth) Schiowitz for 53 years. He is survived by his beloved wife, daughters Jane and Nan Schiowitz, sons Bert and Mark Schiowitz as well as sisters Marion Isaacs and Bernice "Jackie" Mager, ten grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by a sister Millie Scher and brothers Nathan and Morton.

His family and friends found him loyal and eager to give. His patients noted his dedication and were often gently teased into good health. He was known to offer a prayer "to send perfect healing to the sick."

Interment, Ohav Zedek Cemetery, Hanover Township.

Memorial contributions, if desired, may be sent to Wyoming Valley Health Care System to honor the nurses and all those who cared for Albert Schiowitz, or the charity of the donor's choice.

PAUL PRIEBE

Past president of Dallas Rotary Club

Paul Arthur Priebe, 85, a resident of the Back Mountain for 40 years, died Sunday, April 3, 2005, in Florissant, Missouri.

Born in Far Rockaway, NY, he was a son of the late Ernest B. and Dorothea (Schmidt) Priebe.

He grew up in Woodhaven, NY, and graduated from Concordia Collegiate Institute, Bronxville, NY, and attended Concordia College, Bronxville.

He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II, 85th Infantry Div. of the Fifth Army in the Po Valley, Italy, and was the recipient of the Bronze Star for bravery in action.

He was a longtime member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Dallas. He was a past commodore of Harveys Lake Yacht Club and past president of Dallas Rotary and a Paul Harris Fellow. He was a member of the George M. Dallas Lodge, Caldwell Consistory in Bloomsburg, and the Irem Temple in Wilkes-Barre. He was founder and CEO of Geneco Services, Inc., Dallas, and a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

Surviving are his wife of 60 years, the former Maxine Lash; daughters, Janice (Koch) and Donna (Beck), Florissant, MO; six grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his son, Paul A. Priebe, Jr., and brother, Ernest B. Priebe, Jr.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, May 7, 2005, at 2 p.m. at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Dallas. The family will receive friends following the service.

Memorial donations may be made to the St. Paul's Lutheran Church or to the charity of your choice.

RAYMOND ATKINSON

Born in Trucksville

Raymond F. Atkinson, 85, of Windsor, died Wednesday, April 13, 2005, at the Willow Point Nursing Home in Vestal, NY. He was born in Trucksville on January 15, 1920, the son of Henderson Guy and Teresa (Sherman) Atkinson. Raymond was a truck driver for Mayflower in Vestal. He was a Navy veteran, Marines Infantryman, and was a member of the Civilian Conservation Corp. He belonged to the VFW and American Legion in Johnson City. Ray was known for his guitar playing and paintings, as well as his strength, courage, and love of his family. He was an honorable man.

His wife, Janice, survives along with his eight daughters, Betty, Marlene, Janice, Ruthie, Katie, Terry, Penny and Jennifer; one son, Charles; a brother, Henderson; and several grandchildren; great-grandchildren; and great-great-grandchildren. Several nieces and nephews also survive.

He was predeceased by his first wife, Ruth Martin, and three sisters, Molly, Jenny and Margaret. He was also predeceased by two brothers, Robert and Charles; a daughter, Shirley; and a grandson, Phillip.

Burial in the Lehman Center Cemetery, Lehman.

Those wishing to make a memorial donation may give to their favorite charity in Ray's memory.

SENIOR MENUS

Senior Citizens Centers sponsored by the Area Agency on Aging for Luzerne and Wyoming Counties offers hot noon meals Monday through Friday to people 60 years of age or older. Donations from participants are gratefully accepted and needed in order to expand this program. The following is the menu for the week of April 18-22. All menus include margarine, milk and coffee. The Senior Center is located at 22 Rice St., Dallas.

MONDAY: Meatloaf with tomato sauce, butternut squash, wax beans, pudding.

TUESDAY: Baked ham with fruit sauce, sweet potatoes, cauliflower, peaches.

WEDNESDAY: Veal parmesan, penne with tomato sauce, tossed salad with Italian dressing, applesauce.

THURSDAY: Swedish meatballs over rice, vegetable medley, gelatin.

FRIDAY: Tuna salad with cheese, lettuce and tomato, cole slaw, tomato soup, sherbet.

The Post publishes obituaries of local residents, natives or those who have a long connection to the area.

Send obituaries to:
THE POST
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PROPERTY TRANSFERS

The following property transfers were recorded recently at the Luzerne County Courthouse:

Estate of William W. Brackett to Michael W. Ecker, Dallas, \$146,750.

Mabel L. Casterline to Richie E. Long, Dallas, \$121,000.

Alyssa Horvath per guardian to Joseph Kwiatkowski and spouse, Dallas, \$30,000.

Harris Trust & Savings Bank to Daniel Askew, 2 Parrish St., Dallas, \$25,000.

Mary R. Siegel to United Water PA Inc., Dallas Township, \$50,000.

William Farrell per attorney to Gaye Gustitus and others, Elmcrest Woods, Dallas Township, \$153,000.

Robert Szuborski and others to Joseph DeGraba and spouse, 38 Forest Drive, Dallas Township, \$285,000.

Stephen Burkert and spouse to Sally Geary, Gross Manor, Dallas Township, \$79,000.

Estate of George N. Bauman to Megan A. Burke, Dallas Township, \$124,000.

Albert S. Gruver to Ellen Mettler, Dallas Township, \$160,000.

Geoffrey Dent and spouse to Barry Adelman, Dallas Township, \$149,900.

James J. Drury to Janice Wertman, Bluff Pointe, Dallas Township, \$90,000.

John E. Halbing and spouse to Salvatore Infantino, Dallas Township, \$30,000.

Joseph McDaniels to Scott Hunter and spouse, Dallas Township, \$10,000.

Sharon Cicon per sheriff to Fannie Mae, 318 Overbrook Road, Dallas Township, \$32,509.

Alan Pugh and spouse to Scott Marshall and spouse, Dallas Township, \$39,000.

Alan Pugh and spouse to Nicholas Kuzma and spouse, Dallas Township, \$35,000.

Louis Kwasny to Elmer Hurrey, Franklin Township, \$205,000.

Rodney Rosengrant per sheriff to Pro-Ko Properties Inc., Hills Road, Franklin Township, \$22,971.

Marina Commons at Harveys Lake to Ronald Pisano and spouse, Marina Pointe, Harveys Lake, \$230,585.

Karin Schreyer to Lady of Victory Catholic Parish, Harveys Lake, \$9,300.

William Huntingdon per sheriff to Homecomings Financial Network, 14 Hillside Ave., Harveys Lake, \$29,272.

Theodore Fitzgerald per sheriff to Citibank, 100 Jesse Road, Jackson Township, \$73,500.

Lynn J. Harris and spouse to Nicole Letukas, Jackson Township, \$77,250.

John C. Querci to Aleksander Vivotsov, 20 Pinecone Lane, Jackson Township, \$582,500.

James Barrall and spouse to Francis Ferial and spouse, Jackson Township, \$138,000.

Joseph Yencha and others to Joseph Yencha, Jackson Township, \$40,000.

Caroline McCarthy to Steven Zimmerman, Mt. Greenwood Heights, Kingston Township, \$124,000.

Marilyn Pavlovec to Mary Jean Leeds, Kingston Township, \$163,560.

David Richards and spouse to Clark Ware Jr. and spouse, Kingston Township, \$125,000.

Phyllis Lenahan to John Lyback and spouse, Maplecrest Farm, Kingston Township, \$75,000.

Kenneth Lembke to ASTR, LLC, Kingston Township, \$139,000.

Charles Gelso and Robert Smith to Robert Soper and spouse, Kingston Township, \$61,900.

Jeremy Fink and spouse to Donald Holdedge and spouse, 314 Meadowcrest Drive, Kingston Township, \$147,000.

Homecomings Financial Network to Robert Mazur, Lake Township, \$55,000.

Geneco Associates Inc. to Steven Rogers, Lake Township, \$184,000.

Geneco Services Inc. to Steven Rogers, Lake Township, \$46,000.

O. Eugene Gordon to Michael G. Good, Lake Township, \$38,000.

Jean Cease Kerbaugh and others to Georgette Pavlick, Lehman Township, \$85,000.

Janice Hughes to William James and spouse, Lehman Township, \$131,000.

Deutsche Bank National Trust Co. to Elizabeth Barone, 110 Firehouse Road, Lehman Township, \$43,500.

Raymond Kennedy and spouse to Thomas Hohnson and spouse, Ross Township, \$155,000.

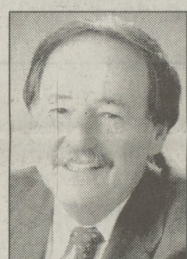
Thomas Sholtis and spouse to James Mushal and spouse, Ross Township, \$125,000.

Charles Gommer Jr. and spouse to Phillip Ackler and spouse, North Lake, Ross Township, \$152,000.

James Pudimott and spouse to Duane Updyke and spouse, Ross Township, \$56,000.

MOVERS & SHAKERS

John C. Metz, chairman and chief executive officer of Dallas-based Metz Enterprises, is one of five restaurant and foodservice industry leaders to be honored by the National Restaurant Association and the National Restaurant Association Educational Foundation at the 18th Annual Salute to Excellence Awards Gala.



Metz will be honored as a National Restaurant Association 2005 College of Diplomates Inductee.

Metz began his career in food service management in 1987 with the founding of Custom Management Corporation, which was eventually acquired by Morrison's Hospitality Group. In 1993, he was awarded franchise rights from the T.G.I. Friday's restaurant chain and now operates 10 T.G.I. Friday's restaurants in Pennsylvania and New Jersey. In 1994 Metz introduced Metz & Associates, Ltd., which has since become one of the fastest growing regional dining management providers

in the nation. In 2000 Metz & Associates expanded into the areas of facilities management. He also currently owns and operates nine Krispy Kreme Doughnut franchise locations in western Pennsylvania, two Holiday Inns and a Host Inn and Residential Suites.

The Pennsylvania Planning Association recently presented its annual the Journalism Award to Howard Grossman, of Dallas. Grossman has written more than 350 articles about city and regional planning and development during a 40-year career. He has also moderated a television program with panelists discussing economic development issues.

Cheryl L. Summa has joined the Eye Care Specialists in Kingston, as the director of marketing. Cheryl has been in telecommunications for the last 25 years. She will be responsible for internal and external marketing efforts in the 11 Eye Care Specialists locations throughout Northeastern Pennsylvania. Cheryl resides in Lehman with her husband David and their two children.

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Puzzles appear on page 8

King Crossword - Answers

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DOWNTOWN NONE
SUNSHINE SATE
OIL MATRON
REBUS LOPE
AXEL SUNSPOT
MEA OHGEE PEA
SUNDAES REAL
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