

ANNA MARIA BOYLE

One of original members of Gate of Heaven Church

Anna Maria Boyle, 95, of the Berwick Retirement Village, formerly of Dallas, was welcomed into eternal life on Tuesday, Aug. 15, 2006.

Mrs. Boyle was born in Wilkes-Barre, May 27, 1911, and was a daughter of the late William and Josephine (Pacavsky) Boback. She was one of the original members of Gate of Heaven Church, Dallas, where she was actively involved. Mrs. Boyle enjoyed life and had a great sense of humor.

She enjoyed playing bingo, going fishing, watching baseball games, eating ice cream, telling jokes, being with her dogs and so much more.

She will be greatly missed and remembered by all who knew her and will live in our hearts and memories forever until we meet again.

Anna was preceded in death by her son, William; brothers, William, Joseph, John and Michael Boback; sisters, Carolyn Skokan and Mary Boback; and an infant grandson, Eric Boyle.

Surviving are her loving family members, sons, Joseph and his wife, Anne, Harveys Lake; Roger and his companion, Cindy, Dallas; Bruce and his wife, Beverly, Dallas; a brother, Bernard Boback and his wife, Nancy, Wilkes-Barre; grandchildren, Thomas, Mark, Deborah, Christopher, William, Molly, Joanne, William, Michele, Cynthia and Kimberly; great-grandchildren, Mandy, Matthew, Sarah, Devon, Kristen, Megan, Lauren, Thomas, Tyler, Kelly, Hunter, Casey, Samantha, Garrett, Jaedyn, Gretchen, Brandon, Kyle and Brianna, with two more on the way; several nephews, nieces and cousins.

Interment, Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Franklin Township. Memorial contributions may be sent to the Alzheimer's Association, Greater Pennsylvania Chapter, 100 W. Station Square Drive, The Landmarks Building, Suite 500, Pittsburgh, PA 15219; or Gate of Heaven Church, Machell Avenue, Dallas PA 18612.

SR. M. JOEL MAGILL

Entered Sisters of Mercy, Dallas, in 1934

Sister M. Joel Magill, RSM, 90, a member of the Dallas Regional Community of the Sisters of Mercy of the Americas, died Monday, August 14, 2006, at Mercy Center, Dallas.

The former Grace Magill was born March 4, 1916, in Wilkes-Barre, a daughter of the late William and Grace Ferry Magill. She entered the Sisters of Mercy in Dallas on September 8, 1934, and professed her vows on March 12, 1935.

Sr. Joel left full-time teaching to enter the prayer ministry in 1988 and also served as a tutor for the Mercy Institute of Educational Development at Mercy Center. She was preceded in death by her brother, William Magill.

Surviving are sisters Mary A. Malloy, Elmhurst, Ill.; Sr. Gerald Magill, Dallas; Sr. Paulinus Magill, Plymouth; nieces, nephews; and the Sisters of Mercy of the Dallas Regional Community.

Interment, Mount Olivet Cemetery in Carverton.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Retirement Fund, Sisters of Mercy, P.O. Box 369, Dallas, PA 18612.

LELA WALL

Graduate of Noxen High School

Lela Wall, 84, of Noxen, died Aug. 10, 2006, in the Meadows Nursing Center, Dallas.

Born in Noxen, she was a daughter of the late Harry and Elba Jones Siglin. She was a graduate of Noxen High School. Prior to her retirement, Mrs. Wall was employed by Bocar Manufacturing of Tunkhannock. She was a member of St. Luke's Reformation Lutheran Church of Noxen, and a former member of the Ladies Aid Society. Preceding her in death was her first husband, Leonard Pederson; a second husband, Donald Wall; a brother, William Siglin.

Surviving are her son, Larry Pederson, and his wife, Emily, Trucksville; grandsons Jorgen Pederson and Antonio Chavez; seven step-grandchildren; one step-great-grandchild; sisters, Myra Keithline, Tunkhannock; Emerrene Bailey, Windsor, Conn.; Myrl Jenks, Sun City West, Ariz.; Mary Hopkins, Noxen; Elba Sickler, Harveys Lake; numerous nieces and nephews.

Interment, Orcutt Grove Cemetery in Noxen. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association, 501 N. 17th St., Allentown, PA 18104.

SR. MARY RYAN

Entered Sisters of Mercy, Dallas, in 1933

Sister Mary Arnoul Ryan, RSM, 91, a member of the Dallas Regional Community of the Sisters of Mercy of the Americas, died Sunday, Aug. 13, 2006, at Mercy Center, Dallas.

The former Gartha Helena Ryan was born Oct. 29, 1914, in Carthage, N.Y., a daughter of the late Thomas J. and Marie Denno Ryan. She entered the Sisters of Mercy at Dallas on Aug. 2, 1933, and made her profession of vows on March 12, 1936.

A longtime teacher at area schools, she managed the gift shop at the Mercy Center for five years. Sr. Arnoul entered the prayer ministry in 2000. She was preceded in death by her brothers, Lloyd and Arnoul Ryan.

Surviving are a twin sister, Agatha Ryan Boyce, Carthage, N.Y.; nephews Richard Boyce, Croghan, N.Y.; Robert Ryan, Syracuse, N.Y.; Thomas Ryan, Louisiana; niece Betty McIntyre, East Syracuse, N.Y.; Sisters of Mercy of the Dallas Regional Community.

Interment, Mount Olivet Cemetery in Carverton. Memorial contributions may be made to: Retirement Fund, Sisters of Mercy, P.O. Box 369, Dallas, PA 18612.

WILLIAM WINTER

Sweet Valley resident, born in Shavertown

William (Bill) Winter, 71, of Jackson Hill Road, Sweet Valley, died Friday, Aug. 11, 2006 at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

He was born in Shavertown on July 11, 1935, a son of the late Adrian and Martha (Grey) Winter. He was a member of the Bethel Hill United Methodist Church and was employed at General Cigar for 25 years, Coon Industries for 10 years and later years at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital. He served in the U.S. Army.

Surviving are his wife of 48 years, the former Betsy Long; sons William Jr. and daughter-in-law Cindy, Huntington Mills; John and daughter-in-law Kara, Sweet Valley; Randy and daughter-in-law Tara, Sweet Valley; three grandsons, Randy Winter, Connor Winter and William (Billy) Winter; one granddaughter, Veronica Winter; brothers Charles, Benton; Robert, Keansburg, N.J.; Gene and Leonard, Wilkes-Barre; Edward, Ashley; sisters Betty Herbert, Wilkes-Barre; Esther Alles, Dallas; Clara Jean Baker, Mt. Holly Springs; Kathy Cunningham, Plymouth; and Beverly Ide, Plymouth.

He was preceded in death by his brothers, Adrian Winter Jr. and Adrian (Butch) Winter. Interment, Bethel Hill Cemetery, Fairmount Township, Sweet Valley.

WILLIAM J. GARRITY

Dallas native, Gate of Heaven Church member

William J. Garrity, 85, of Dallas, and formerly of Philadelphia, died Sunday, Aug. 13, 2006 at Highland Manor, Exeter.

Born in Philadelphia, Sept. 4, 1920, he was a son of the late Edward and Sarah (Maloney) Garrity. He was a graduate of St. Thomas More High School and was a member of their alumni association. Prior to retirement, Garrity was an operations manager with the Pennsylvania Railroad. He was a member of Gate of Heaven Church. In addition to his parents, William was preceded in death by his wife, the

former Catherine Bonner, who died in 2000; brothers Edward, the Rev. Howard and Raymond; sister Sarah Gilmore.

He is survived by his daughter Mary G. Slaby, and her husband, John, Dallas; daughter Ann C. Winkler and her husband, Charles, Lansford; grandchildren Melissa Slaby and John Garrett Slaby.

Interment, Resurrection Cemetery in Bensalem. Memorial contributions may be made to Gate of Heaven Church, Machell Avenue, Dallas, PA 18612.

PAUL G. NICHOLSON

Back Mountain Memorial Library Auction chairman

Paul G. Nicholson, 69, of Dallas, passed away peacefully on Aug. 12, 2006, in the Wilkes-Barre General Hospital. His wife of 36 years is Eleanor A. (Hughes) Nicholson of Dallas.

Born June 29, 1937, in Wilkes-Barre, he was a son of the late Paul and Helen (Woodeschick) Nicholson. He was a graduate of Hanover Township Public High School. He attended Wilkes University and the Wyoming Valley Chapter of American Institute of Banking, where he served as president. He was an assistant vice president for United Penn Bank in Ashley and Dallas. He was a member of the George M. Dallas Masonic Lodge 531, Free & Accepted Masons. He was a member of the Caldwell Consistory AASP, Bloomsburg. He served in the Irem Shrine as Potentate in 1995 and belonged to the Cabiri, an organization of Past Potentates Board. He was chairman of the Back Mountain Memorial Library Auction for the past two years. He also was a member of the Dallas Lions Club. He was an active member of the Larksville United Methodist Church, where he served as chairman of the administrative board. He was an avid sports fan of Penn State, the Phillies and the Eagles. He loved his cocker spaniel dog, Davey.

Surviving, in addition to his devoted wife, Eleanor, are several cousins and many caring friends and neighbors.

Interment, Oak Lawn Cemetery in Wilkes-Barre. Memorial contributions may be made to the Larksville United Methodist Church.

FRANK H. BILLINGS

Member of Trucksville United Methodist Church

Frank H. Billings, 83, Trucksville, died Sunday, Aug. 13, 2006, at ManorCare Health Service, Kingston, after a long battle with Alzheimer's disease. Born in Trucksville, March 22, 1923, he was a son of Walter and Mabel (Totten) Billings. He was a member of Trucksville United Methodist Church. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was preceded in death by a son, Robert; a brother, Glen; a sister, Edna Harris. Surviving are his wife, Audrey; a sister, Jean Camp, Dallas; children, Debra Lipovsky, Danville; Richard, Dallas; Lois Gross, Trucksville; Jon, Mehoopany; 10 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; nieces and nephews.

Interment, Memorial Shrine Cemetery in Carverton.

ALBERT C. IDE

Lehman native, active member of community

Albert C. Ide, of Mesa, Ariz., passed away Friday, July 21, 2006. He was born Sept. 25, 1909 in Lehman, to Russell A. and Elizabeth Ide. After attending Lehman area schools and Penn State University, he went to work for NEPA and also drove school buses. Albert was a member of the Lehman Methodist Church and an active member of the community until retiring to Arizona.

Albert was preceded in death in addition to his parents, by his wife, Frances; son Richard Dana; sister Grace Ide; sister-in-law Jean Deans; and brother in law Donald Deans.

He is survived by his daughter, Patricia Minnis, and son-in-law Jerry Minnis, of Mesa, Ariz.; grandson Michael Minnis, Scottsdale; and Douglas Minnis, Apache Junction, Arizona; Mark Ide, South Carolina; and sister-in-law Muriel Zimmerman, New York City.

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