Sunday, September 9, 2007

BYRON COOK

Owned Midget Lake Farms

Byron E. Cook, 80, formerly of Beaumont, died Tuesday, August 28, 2007, at the Golden Living Care Nursing Center, Tunkhannock.

Born in Orange, he was a 1946 graduate of Beaumont High School and was the owner/operator of the Midget Lake Farms for most of his life. After retiring, he was employed by Taurus Service Inc., of Mahoopany for 12 years.

He was a member of the Noxen United Methodist Church and a director of the D.H.I.A. and for the N.E.B.A.

Surviving are his wife, the former Mildred Ruff; son, Byron D. Cook, Allentown; daughter, Judith Shupp, Tunkhannock; brother, James, Lehman; four grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; nieces and nephews.

Memorial donations to the Noxen United Methodist Church, RR 1, Box 196A, Noxen, PA 18636.

DR. JAMES ROBERTS

Commissioned as Army captain

Dr. James F. Roberts, 86, of North Lake, Sweet Valley, died Saturday, September 1, 2007, at the Meadows Nursing Center, Dallas. Forn in Plymouth, he graduated from Plymouth High School, ass of 1939, attended Franklin & Marshall College for two years, received his B.S. degree from Wilkes College and attended Temple University School of Dentistry where he received his doctor's degree in 1954.

Dr. Roberts was associated with Dr. I.J. Winoff in Norristown before entering the U.S. Army in 1956 where he was commissioned as a captain and served at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland. He was discharged in 1958.

He practiced dentistry in Forty Fort from 1958 until his retirement in 1987.

He was an Eagle Scout, served as health and safety director of the Boy Scouts, Wyoming Valley Council; was a member of the Forty Fort Business and Professional Association; and SS. Clement & Peter Episcopal Church, Wilkes-Barre.

He is survived by his wife of 37 years, the former Ellen Drake; son, James F. Roberts Jr., North Lake; one grandson, two greatgrandchildren, a niece and a nephew.

OBITUARIES

BERTHA ZDANCEWICZ

Was graduate of Harter High School

Bertha K. Zdancewicz, 70, of Arrowhead Lake, died Wednesday, August 29, 2007.

Born in Kingston Township, she was a graduate of Harter High School, Class of 1955. She was a member of Our Lady of the Lake Church, Pocono Pines, and had been a member of Holy Family Church, Sugar Notch.

She had been employed by the Bell Telephone Company in Philadelphia as a telephone and assistant chief telephone operator.

Surviving are her husband of 41 years, Frank J.; sons, Frank J. Jr., Shavertown; Paul P., Allentown; James J., Berwyn, Pa.; daughters, Sharon A. Feiller, Allentown; Michelle S., Norristown; four grandchildren; aunt and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

Memorial donations to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

ANN BALDO-OLSON

Volunteer at BMT Free Medical Clinic

Ann M. Baldo, 55, of Shavertown, died on Tuesday, August 21, 2007, after a challenging battle with cancer.

A licensed practical nurse, she worked at Mercy Center in Dallas for more than 10 years and at John Heinz Center for Rehabilitation Medicine in Wilkes-Barre for six years. She was also a volunteer at the Back Mountain Free Medical Clinic.

Surviving are her husband, David Olson, Shavertown; daughter, Christina Baldo, Nuangola; son, David Baldo, Kingston; one granddaughter; her mother, Carrie Dauksis, Bayville, N.J.; a brother, Robert Tapp; one niece and one nephew, all of Beachwood, N.J.; several aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 23, in the Christ Community Church, 100 W. Dorrance St., Kingston. Donations to the Henry Cancer Center at Geisinger Wyoming Valley Medical Center, Plains Township.

RICHARD VAN ETTEN

Worked for National Cash Register

Richard C. Van Etten, 85, of Dallas, died Thursday, August 30, 2007, at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

Born in Endicott, N.Y., he attended the Binghamton Area High School, graduating in 1941. He continued his education at Duke University. He left school early to enlist in the U.S. Army, serving during World War II with the Central Intelligence Corp. He served for several years and finished his degree in business at the former Harper College, now State University of New York. He began his sales career at the Crowley Milk Company. He later worked for National Cash Register until his retirement.

He was a former member of the George M. Dallas Lodge 531, F&AM; Caldwell Consistory; and the Irem Temple Shriners AA-NOMS. He was a former deacon at the Dallas United Methodist Church and a current member of the Shavertown United Methodist Church. He was a former member of the Wilkes-Barre Kiwanis Club and volunteered for Meal on Wheels for several years.

Surviving are his wife of 64 years, June Foster Van Etten; sons, Richard C., O'Fallon, Ill.; Mark W., Dallas, and John B., Morgantown; daughters, Patricia O'Connell, Camp Hill; and Debora Kurello, Lehman; 18 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; sister, Patricia Hunziker, Delmar, N.Y.; nieces and nephews.

Memorial donations to the SPCA of Luzerne County, Fox Hill Road, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18705.

BETTY KRAYNACK

Employed by Blue Cross

Betty M. Kraynack, 77, formerly of Trucksville, died Friday, August 31, 2007, at the Sisters of Mercy Assisted Living & Sacred Heart Hospice, Dallas.

Born in Wilkes-Barre, she was a graduate of St. Nicholas High School, Wilkes-Barre, Class of 1947 and attended the Wilkes-Barre Business College. She was employed by Blue Cross of Northeastern Pennsylvania, Wilkes-Barre, until her retirement in 1990.

She was a member of St. Therese's Church, Shavertown, and a former member of their Altar and Rosary Society.

Surviving are her sons, John, Mountain Top; Mark, Harveys Lake; and Justin, Shavertown; five grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

STEPHEN TOMETCHKO

Employed by King's College

Stephen E. Tometchko, 79, of Dallas, died Thursday, August 30, 2007, at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital. Born in Larksville, he was formerly employed by King's College, Wilkes-Barre. He served in the Korean r, attaining the rank of first sergeant and earned a Bronze Star with "V" for Valor, the Purple Heart and combat Infantryman's Badge.

He was a member of the VFW, DAV, the American Legion and Gate of Heaven Church, Dallas. Surviving are his wife, the former Joan Desciak; daughters, Joanne Armaghan, Kingston, and Dianne Ruch, Dallas; four grandchildren.

SISTER ALICE LOUGHNEY

Entered Sisters of Mercy in 1934

Sister Alice Loughney, RSM, 91, a member of the Mid-Atlantic Community of the Sisters of Mercy of the Americas, died Saturday, September 1, 2007, at the Mercy Center, Dallas.

The former Alice Loughney, she was born in Pittston and graduated from St. Mary's High School, Wilkes-Barre, in 1934. She received her Bachelor of Science degree in Elementary Education from Misericordia University. She attended Fordham University in New York and she received her certification in Elementary Subjects in Pennsylvania.

Sister Alice entered the Sisters of Mercy at Dallas in 1934. For 44 years, Sister Alice ministered as an hucator in the primary grades in the Dioceses of Scranton, Harrisburg, Altoona/Johnstown, Brooklyn Rockville Centre. For the past 18 years, she ministered as activities director at the Heritage House, Wilkes-Barre, and as Pastoral Minister at the Mercy Hospital, Wilkes-Barre, and the Parishes of St. Mary's Church of the Immaculate Conception, Wilkes-Barre, St. Mary's Church, Avoca, and at St. Nicholas Church in Wilkes-Barre. In 1999 she moved to Mercy Center, Dallas, where she continued her Pastoral and Prayer Ministry. Surviving are several cousins; many friends; and her Sisters of Mercy of the Mid-Atlantic Community. Memorial donations to Retirement Fund, Sisters of Mercy, P.O. BOX 369, Dallas, PA 18612.

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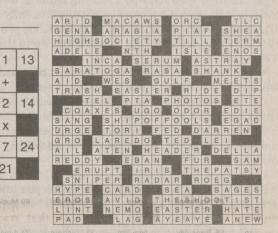
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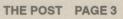
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