

OBITUARIES

ALLARDYCE - Martha Bogdon, of Shavertown, died on Monday, October 10, 2011, after an illness.

She was a graduate of Plymouth High School and was employed at Bell Telephone Company until her retirement. She enjoyed a second career in later life as a home health aide and caregiver to seriously ill people. She was a member of Gate of Heaven Church, Dallas.

Surviving are her son, Robert, Dallas; daughters, Lisa Mack, Wyoming; and Amy, Shavertown; four grandchildren; sister, Ruth Lacek, Plymouth; brother, John Bogdon, Maryland; and pet dog, Freckles.

Memorial donations to Older Child Adoption Initiative, 335 S. Franklin St., Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702, or to the Osterhout Free Library, 71 S. Franklin St., Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701.

BAER - Leonard R., 78, of Sweet Valley, died Saturday, October 15, 2011, in the Geisinger Wyoming Valley Medical Center, Plains Township.

He was born April 29, 1933, in Koonsville, graduated from Garrison High School, Shickshinny, in 1951 and was a U.S. Army veteran of the Korean Conflict.

He was employed by U.S. Air for 36 years, retiring in 1991, and was a member of the Emmanuel Assembly of God Church, Harveys Lake.

Surviving are his wife of 59 years, the former Muriel Belles; daughters, Karen Bogdon, Sweet Valley; Lois Citsay, Wilkes-Barre; and Sharon VanHorn, Cambria; four grandchildren; one great-granddaughter.

BROBST - Molly, 44, of Shavertown, died on Wednesday, October 12, 2011, at Hospice Community Care Inpatient Unit at Geisinger South Wilkes-Barre.

She was born in Wilkes-Barre April 4, 1967, was a graduate of Tunkhannock High School and had attended Northampton Community College. She had been employed as a day care and preschool teacher. She was a member of the Elk Lake Community Church.

Surviving are her son, Lucas, Shavertown; sisters, Bonnie Cavanaugh, Tunkhannock; Lorena Langan, Trucksville; Maureen Morgan, Larksville; and Tammy Burke, Beaumont; brothers, Donald, Dallas; and Larry, Wilkes-Barre.

Memorial donations to Erwine Home Health and Hospice.

CUNDIFF - Richard H., 72, of Trucksville, died on Monday, October 10, 2011, in his home.

He was born in Kingston, a graduate of the Lake-Lehman High School and a veteran of the U.S. Army.

He was a truck driver since the age of 21. Prior to his retirement, he was employed by Callex Trucking of Pittston. He was a member of the American Legion Post 672, Dallas.

Surviving are his wife of 46 years, the former Barbara Schoonover; children, Randy Schoonover, Harveys Lake; Richard, Mt. Pocono; and Jeffery, Jenkins Township; eight grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; sisters, Donna Sidler, Montoursville; Linda Truscott, Kentucky; and Debbie Mekeel, South Carolina; nieces and nephews.

FORTE - Helen C., of Tunkhannock, died Sunday, October 16, 2011, in her home.

She was born in Hazleton on December 1, 1917, and was a graduate of Hazleton High School and the Hazleton General Hospital School of Nursing.

Prior to her retirement, she was employed by Clark Summit State Hospital for 21 years. She was a member of the Church of the Nativity B.V.M. in Tunkhannock and a former member of St. Stanislaus Catholic Church of Hazleton.

Surviving are a daughter, Carole Forte; sons, Garry, James and Michael, all of Tunkhannock; six grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; nieces and nephews.

Memorial donations to the Church of the Nativity BVM, 99 E. Tioga St., Tunkhannock, PA 18657.

KELLY - Donald "Donnie" Robert, 64, of Noxen, died Sunday, September 25, 2011, from multiple traumatic injuries suffered in a motor vehicle accident.

He was born August 17, 1947, was a 1965 graduate of Dallas High School and joined the U.S. Army in 1966 where he served in Germany for one year and seven months.

In 1968, he owned his own business, Kelly's Steeple Painting Unlimited. He also worked as a mechanic and a boilermaker. In 1992, he attended Luzerne County Community College, where he earned his associate's degree in science.

He was a member of the Boilermakers Union Post No. 13 and the Sports Mans Club.

Surviving are his sister, Pauline J. Williams, of Kamiak, Idaho; four nieces, two nephews; nine great-nieces and nephews.

MACMILLAN - Marie Olive Patton, formerly of Noxen, died Sunday, October 9, 2011.

She was born on June 10, 1914, in Buckwheat Hollow.

She attended Beaumont High School, graduating in June 1930 from third high and returned the following year to take the newly-offered fourth year of high school to graduate again in

1931. She worked in the garment industry for 23 years, starting in Noxen and later moving to Ann Will in Kingston, then retiring in 1976.

She had been a member of the Noxen United Methodist Church for over 60 years.

Surviving are her son, William; daughter, Shirley Evelan; four granddaughters; two grandsons; five great-grandsons; three great-granddaughters; one great-granddaughter; nieces and nephews.

Memorial donations to Noxen United Methodist Church, 3390 SR 29S, Noxen, PA 18636.

MASLAR - Isabelle A., 95, of Centermoreland, died Wednesday, October 12, 2011, at the Meadows Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Dallas.

She was born in Scranton, attended the St. Joseph's School, Scranton and was a member of St. Frances Cabrini Church, Carverton.

Surviving are her son, Robert K., Scranton; daughter, Barbara Biga, Centermoreland; two grandchildren; one great-grandchild.

MEAD - Sherman F. Sr., (aka Francis Sherman Mead), 91, of Gouldsboro, died Thursday, October 6, 2011, at his home.

He was born in Nanticoke on January 11, 1920, graduated from Dallas Borough School in 1937 and continued his education in electronics at CREI (Capital Radio Electronics Institute) in Washington, D.C., after serving in the U.S. Navy during World War II.

As a Navy veteran, he served on the USS Nicholas DD449, a Fletcher class destroyer, from 1942 through 1945, receiving the Good Conduct Medal, American Campaign Medal, Asiatic Pacific Campaign Medal with three Silver stars and one Bronze star, Navy Occupation Service Medal with Asia clasp, World War II Victory Medal, Presidential Unit Commendation Ribbon and Philippine Liberation ribbon with two bronze stars.

At the age of 88, he published a book titled "From Guadalcanal to Tokyo Bay; A Destroyer Sailor's Story" of his memories and experiences while serving during World War II.

He was employed by RCA, Washington, D.C., and later by the Tobyhanna Army Depot as an Electronics Metrology Lab Supervisor, retiring in 1972.

He was a member of the American Legion Post No. 0274 in Gouldsboro and a Life Member of the National Rifle Association.

Surviving are his sons, Sher-

man Jr., Exeter; and Clark, Taylor; four grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; nieces and nephews.

Memorial donations to Second Presbyterian Church, 143 Parsonage St., Pittston, PA 18640.

MISCAVAGE - Gertrude H., 91, of Dallas and formerly of Hutson Street in Wilkes-Barre, died Friday, October 14, 2011, at the Mercy Center Nursing Unit, Dallas.

She was born in the Mayflower section of Wilkes-Barre on November 13, 1919, was a graduate of St. Nicholas High School and was a member of St. Nicholas Church, South Washington Street, Wilkes-Barre, and its Altar and Rosary Society.

She was employed as a seamstress at L.A. Dress and Harris Hogan in Wilkes-Barre.

Surviving are her children, Geraldine Conrad, Dallas; Richard, Lehman Township; and Paula, Dallas; eight grandchildren; a brother, Harold Witzgman, New Jersey; nieces and nephews.

Memorial donations to the "Women with Children Program," c/o Misericordia University, 301 Lake St., Dallas, PA 18612.

PRICE - Bernard E., 70, of Shavertown, died Monday, October 10, 2011, at his home.

He was born in Wilkes-Barre and was a graduate of West Side Central Catholic High School, Kingston, class of 1959.

A resident of Shavertown for 30 years, he was formerly employed by Eastern Earth Boring, Luzerne, and, prior to his retirement, by Kuharchik Construction, Exeter. He had been active in Scouting, specifically Boy

PEOPLE BRIEFS

Baker completes basic training

Army National Guard Pfc. Ryan C. Baker has graduated from basic infantry training at Fort Benning, Columbus, Ga.

During the nine weeks of training, the soldier received training in drill and ceremo-

nies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, physical fitness, first aid and Army history, core values and traditions.

Baker is the son of Bruce Baker, of Lake Street, and grandson of Margery Sawye of Country Club Road, both of Dallas. He is a 2008 graduate Dallas Senior High School.

May is named Commended Student

Logan May, of Dallas, is one of four Wyoming Seminary seniors who have been named Commended Students in the 2012 National Merit Scholarship competition.

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Grube enrolled at Lebanon Valley

Hannah J. Grube, of Trucksville, is enrolled at Lebanon Valley College in Annville.

A senior music business major, Grube will graduate in May 2012 with a bachelor of arts degree.

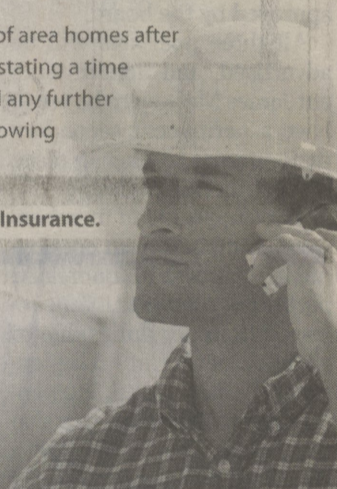
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