

OBITUARIES



WILLIAM R. JENKINS, M.D.

MILLINOCKET - William Robert Jenkins, M.D., died unexpectedly on Friday, February 27, 2015, as the result of complications of treatment of a recently found illness. This caring and compassionate, honorable and humble man, lived fully with his heart, soul and intellect, cherishing his love of family, humanity and country until the last.

Born of the late Marjorie Helen (Moors) and William Earl Jenkins on July 24, 1940, he grew up in the Bangor-Brewer area along with his love of Maine. He graduated from Phillips Academy Andover in 1958 and from the University of Maine in 1962. Entering the U.S. Army from the ROTC, he served several years on active duty, including two years in Vietnam, where he earned two Bronze Stars. He later retired from the Army Reserves with a rank of Lieutenant Colonel. While in Vietnam, his life direction and goal to be a family physician evolved. He eventually attended George Washington University School of Medicine, graduating in 1982, followed by a residency in family medicine at Brown University's Pawtucket Memorial Hospital.

Bill's desire to be a family doctor in the true sense of the word brought him to the Katahdin area, where he opened a private practice in 1985. For 25 years, he saw all patients with unmatched gentleness, regardless of their situation, in the office and at the hospital, using any stamina and knowledge he could muster and seeking the help of others if needed. He fully appreciated all those who worked around him in all roles to provide health care to the area.

Dr. Jenkins was Maine Family Doctor of the Year in 1999 and received both the DEAPA Physician of the Year and the MPCA Clinical Excellence Award in 2007. His professional interests included emergency medicine and geriatrics. He was Medical Director of the Millinocket Regional Hospital Emergency Room and affiliated with

the local Fire and Ambulance services. He made regular house calls to the elderly and shut in. He became board certified in geriatrics, which served him well in his position as Medical Director of the Katahdin Area Nursing Home. For the past several years, he traveled with Vets With a Mission (VWAM) to Vietnam to provide medical care to those in need.

Exemplary of his politeness, Bill's courteous request to sit next to a young woman in a biochemistry class led to his lifelong love. Leslie Lynn (Peterson) and Bill were married in 1974 and celebrated 40 years of marriage last June with their sons, Mark William of Phoenix and David Victor of Boston, both of whom he was extremely proud.

Bill's private interests were many, but his love of music was known to all, crossing several genres and decades. He always had a non-fiction book going on anything from politics to science to history. He had recently developed an interest in photography and was looking forward to improving his skills when he retired. He loved the great outdoors and the natural beauty of Maine, enjoying lobster with family on the coast, target shooting with friends, and relaxing at camp. His strong faith and belief in God were practiced in his daily life and at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, where he had been a lay reader and a member of the vestry.

The family invites those who wish to visit on Friday, March 6, from 4-7 p.m. at Lamson Funeral Home, 11 Tamarack St., Millinocket. Services will be held on Saturday, March 7, at 11 a.m. at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church. Memorial donations may be made to Vets With A Mission, 1307 Caldwell Street, 3rd Floor, Newberry, SC 29108; St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 40 Highland Ave, Millinocket, ME 04462; or Millinocket Regional Hospital, 200 Somerset St., Millinocket, ME 04462. Messages of condolence may be expressed at

www.lamsonfh.com.

Death Notices

BEAL, Kimberly Lynn Beal, 27, Ellsworth; at Boston, Feb. 22, 2015. Service 3 p.m. Saturday, March 7, at Narraguagus High School, 1611 Main St., Harrington. Jordan-Fernald, 113 Franklin St., Ellsworth.

BENNETT, Philip Roy Sr., 96, Caribou; at Caribou, March 3, 2015. Mockler Funeral Home, Caribou.

BOSSIE, Shirley M., 86, Houlton; at Houlton, March 2, 2015. Dunn Funeral Home, 11 Park St., Houlton.

CONROY, Pauline Ruth (Doucette), 92, Bucksport, March 4, 2015. Mitchell-Tweedie Funeral Home, 28 Elm St., Bucksport.

JENKINS, William R., M.D., Millinocket, Feb. 27, 2015. Services 11 a.m. Saturday, March 7, at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church. Lamson Funeral Home, 11 Tamarack St., Millinocket.

LEWIS, Nancy K., 80, South Thomaston, March 1, 2015. Service 2 p.m. Saturday, March 7, at Rockland Congregational Church. Burpee, Carpenter & Hutchins Funeral Home, 110 Limerock St., Rockland.

MCGILL, Robert C., 73, Caribou; at Caribou, March 3, 2015. Mockler Funeral Home, 24 Reservoir St., Caribou.

MCNEIL, Frederick E., 73, Jonesport; at Jonesport, March 3, 2015. Service 1 p.m. Friday, March 6, at Maine Veterans Cemetery, Augusta. McClure Family Funeral Services, Machias and Lubec.

MCNEIL, Jane Avery, Portland, March 1, 2015. Service 2 p.m. Sunday, March 9, at Foreside Community Church, Falmouth.

MORSE, Ruth Harriet Murphy, Fryeburg, Feb. 28, 2015. Service 11 a.m. Saturday, March 7, at The North Fryeburg Community Chapel, 1225 West Fryeburg Road, Fryeburg. Wood Funeral Home, Fryeburg.

MOUNTAIN, William E., 84, Dexter; at Dexter, March 4, 2015. Service 11 a.m. Friday, March 6, at St. Anne's Catholic Church. Crosby & Neal, 61 Main St., Dexter.

NEAL, Janice M., 56, Houlton; at Bangor, March 2, 2015. Dunn Funeral Home, 11 Park St., Houlton.

ORR, Shirley A., 92, Zephyrhills, Fla., Feb. 22, 2015.

PAYSON, Ludel M., Yuma, Ariz., and Lamoine; Feb. 27, 2015.

POIRIER, Emile, 94, Waterville and Oakland; at Waterville, Feb. 27, 2015. Veilleux Funeral Home, 8 Elm St., Waterville.

PURVIS, Marianne (Carnrick), 75, Bangor, March 3, 2015. Service 1 p.m. Saturday, March 7, at Brookings-Smith, 133 Center St., Bangor.

SHELDON, Hilda W., 98, Morrill; at Belfast, Feb. 26, 2015. Service 2 p.m. Friday, March 6, at Morrill Baptist Church. Riposta Funeral Home, 182 Waldo Ave., Belfast.

SINCLAIR, Vernal 'Brother,' 69, Ripley, March 3, 2015. Service 3 p.m. Saturday at Crosby & Neal, 61 Main St., Dexter.

THIBODEAU, Gordon, 72, Caribou; at Caribou, March 4, 2015. Service 11 a.m. Saturday, March 7, at Holy Rosary Catholic Church. Mockler Funeral Home, 24 Reservoir St., Caribou.

TORREY, Wayne P., 68, Machias, Feb. 27, 2015. Service 1 p.m. Saturday, March 14, at Jonesboro Elementary School Gym.

VOGELMANN, Dorothy May, Bangor, Feb. 25, 2015.

WAKEFIELD, William Henry, 61, Skowhegan, Feb. 28, 2015. Service 11 a.m. Saturday, March 7, at Trinity Evangelical Free Church, 12 McLellan St., Skowhegan.



ROBERT C. MCGILL

CARIBOU - Robert C. McGill, 73, died peacefully at his Caribou home on March 3, 2015, after a long battle with cancer, surrounded by the love and care of his family. He was born in Cornwall, NY, on January 24, 1942, the son of the late Clarence and Edna (Dolan) McGill Jr.

Bob graduated from Monroe-Woodbury Central High School in 1960. He then joined the U.S. Air Force, retiring as a Master Sergeant after 26 years. He completed non-commissioned officer's school in 1963, worked at the 42 FMS at Loring Air Force Base and served during the Vietnam Era. He worked at Loring Job Corps and as an account technician at DFAS. He retired from DFAS due to his illness. Bob was a member and Past Master of Caribou Lodge No. 170 A.F. and A.M.

Robert leaves behind his loving wife of 51 years, Carolyn Marie (St. Peter) McGill; a son, Anthony McGill and wife, Vickie; a daughter, Debbie McGill; a son, Eric McGill, all of Caribou; a daughter, Sheila Gustafson and husband, Craig, of New Sweden; and two grandchildren, Joshua Cornell and Jenna Gustafson. Mr. McGill was predeceased by a brother, Richard McGill.

Private family services will be held at the Northern Maine Veterans Cemetery. Arrangements by Mockler Funeral Home, 24 Reservoir Street, Caribou. www.mocklerfuneralhome.com

JANE AVERY MCNEIL

PORTLAND - Jane Avery McNeil, beloved daughter of Michael and Nancy McNeil, died on Sunday, March 1, 2015. She was born on September 20, 1963, in Bangor, Maine.

A graduate of Bangor High School in 1982, Jane was a cheerleader, member of Sub Deb Sorority and tri-captain of the girls' swim team. She spent summers as a lifeguard and water safety instructor. With a degree in Early Childhood Education from Westbrook College, Jane began working in Bangor's early intervention programs and later became lead teacher for Head Start. Relocating to Portland in 1989, she was employed for many years at the Falmouth Rite Aid where her co-workers became some of her closest friends. Jane appreciated music, was a great cook and loved having a baby in her arms. Her sense of humor, often self-deprecating or accentuated by a dance performed as if no one was watching, was a source of laugh out loud comedy for her friends and family. If anyone needed anything, she would give them the shirt off her back even if she did not have another for herself. Jane was beautiful and kind, and when she said "I love you," she really meant it. Her spirit will remain in the hearts of everyone who knew and loved her.

Surviving are her parents; children, Michael J. Robinson (Vanessa), Thomas W. Robinson and Elizabeth Jane Davis; grandsons, Michael and Pierce Robinson; sisters, Marcia McNeil and Sally Delisle (Steve); brother, Matthew McNeil (Laura); and nephews, Nathan and Matthew Daskocil, Cameron and Hudson Delisle, and Kade and Ryder McNeil.

A memorial service will be held at the Foreside Community Church, Falmouth, Maine, on Sunday, March 8, 2015, at 2 p.m. There will be a reception at the church following the service. To share memories and condolences with the family, please go to www.coastalcremation.com/services.com.



PAULINE RUTH (DOUCETTE) CONROY

BUCKSPORT - Pauline Ruth Conroy, 92, formerly Pauline Doucette, passed from this life on March 4, 2015, following a long decline from advanced age.

She was predeceased by her husband of 64 years, Edward M. Conroy Jr. in 2007. She is survived by a sister, Marjorie McAvoy of Bucksport; and her children, Thomas Conroy of Bucksport, Lawrence Conroy of Largo, Fla., Carol Greene and her husband, Roger, of Stockton Springs, David Conroy of Tallahassee, Fla., Mark Conroy of Pembroke, Mass., Stacy Haskell and her husband, Danny, of Blue Hill and John Conroy of Portland. Grandchildren surviving are Julee Bires and her husband, Corey, of Bucksport, Jennifer Dorr of Atlanta, Ga., Jeremy Weirich and his wife, Kara, of Silver Springs, Md., Angela Jalbert and her husband, Chris, of Bucksport, Kelly Forbes of Ellsworth, Cassandra May Conroy of Portland, Maine, and Angela Hiatt and Gregory Conroy of Largo, Fla. Surviving great-grandchildren are Brianna and Maggie Bires of Bucksport, Hannah Weirich of Silver Springs, Md., Haley Betts, Joseph and Jacob Jalbert, all of Bucksport, Tristin and Trevon Forbes of Ellsworth, and Max Hiatt of Largo, Fla.

She was the youngest daughter of Edmund A. and Philomene (Daigle) Doucette, who emigrated from Bathurst, New Brunswick, Canada, to Old Town, Maine, around 1900. Having moved from Great Works due to her father's employment at St. Regis Paper Company in Bucksport, she attended the Walter Gardener High School, was a member of the glee club and graduated with the Class of 1940.

Known affectionately as "Polly," Pauline is remembered as a gentle soul whose steadfast kindness never faltered and was available for all, regardless of circumstance. Her mild manner supported her domestic life as wife and mother of seven. Known by her family and others as one who always had a good word to say, she held to the principle of "if you can't say anything nice, don't say anything at all." Her strongest epithet was "Isn't that the limit!" Always busy and active in domestic endeavors, she is remembered as a baker of exceptional talent and capacity. Weekly baking of bread to supply to Brawn's grocery and the local IGA, she had a following that ran the supply

of still-warm loaves out with in the hour. Her pies were numerous and tasty to all who were lucky enough to partake. Should all her bread, pies and REAL doughnuts be lined up, the result would reach from Bucksport to Caratunk...and back. Pauline was quick to share her knowledge of cooking and leaves a legacy of good food preparation and recipes we all enjoy. Her 20-year stint as a cook at Bucksport High School earned her additional hundreds of fans.

She had a good sense of humor and enjoyed stories of adventures by her family members. Aside from her domestic life she had two particular recreational pursuits: shopping in Bangor at the drop of a hat - just look, mind you - and fishing when she could with her brother-in-law, Al McAvoy. As a young girl, her family spent time at a camp on Pushaw Pond and Pauline would enjoy relating her experiences, where she, alone in the cool early morning air, rowed the small, green wooden rowboat out upon the still waters of the pond to cast for any and all species of fish. In later years her time for fishing lessened, but she would look forward to the fishing trips of others. When a gift from Corey, of a mess of mackerel, trout or salmon arrived they would be baked to golden, crusty perfection and shared with all who entered.

A devout Catholic, Pauline attended mass on a regular basis and in-between during the week as time and opportunity permitted. She freely gave time to church activities throughout the year and crafted items for the regular bazaars and sales. Her abiding faith in the future sustained her and all who knew her pray for her reception of the Lord's peace that passes all understanding - a good sister, wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, we are all richer for having known her kindness and generosity. She will be remembered and missed.

Family and friends will gather for visitation from 3-5pm on Friday March 6, 2015 at Mitchell-Tweedie Funeral Home 28 Elm Street, Bucksport, ME 04416. A Mass of Christian burial will be celebrated in the spring. Memorial contributions may be made in Pauline's memory to Hancock County Home-care and Hospice, 441 Main Street #2, Ellsworth, ME 04605.

www.mitchelltwedie-young.com

WILLIAM H. WAKEFIELD

SKOWHEGAN - William Henry Wakefield, 61, died Feb. 28, 2015. Born July 19, 1953, in Bangor, to George and Helen Wakefield, he grew up in the South while his father served in the U.S. Marine Corps.

When he moved back to Maine, Bill met Sue Pratt and they had two children, Jason and Michael. He always showed great love for his kids and grandkids. He had a passion for cars, Rock-N-Roll, the Yankees and Cowboys, and most of all, Aerosmith. He loved to laugh and make people laugh and was a good friend who would give you the shirt off his back. He was proud to have owned a taxi business and delivery service, but was most proud to be a father and grandfather.

Bill was predeceased by his parents, George and Helen; and four siblings. He is survived by his loving sons and their wives; his loving grandchildren, Isaac, Jonah, Jahshiah, Athena and Olivia; a huge family of siblings, nephews, nieces, cousins and friends; two important women in his life, Sue and Phyllis; and a special thank you to all of his friends/family at Trinity Evangelical Free Church in Skowhegan.

There will be a memorial service on Saturday, March 7, at 11 a.m. at Trinity Evangelical Free Church, 12 McLellan St., Skowhegan. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the church.

JANICE M. NEAL

HOULTON - Janice Marie Neal, 56, passed away March 2, 2015, at a Bangor hospital. She was born July 17, 1958, at Houlton, the daughter of Randall and Lucille (Cowan) Neal.

Janice graduated from East Grand High School, Class of 1976. She was a collector of books, enjoyed scrapbooking and having picnic snacks which always included her delicious pumpkin bread with the joy and love of her life, grandson Gavin.

Janice is survived by her mother, Lucille; her son, Ryan and his girlfriend, Amanda; her grandson, Gavin; sisters, Gayle and her husband, Philip, and Elizabeth and her friend, Douglas; brother, Wesley; nieces, Missy, Nikki, Alana and Randi; and nephews, Justin and Marcus. She was predeceased by her father, Randall; and her brothers, Mark and Galen. The family would like to express their sincerest thanks to her friends for their friendship and support, many we do not even know.

There will be a memorial gathering announced at a later date in the spring for family and friends. Gifts may be made in Janice's memory to the Janice M. Neal Memorial Fund, care of Dunn Funeral Home, 11 Park St., Houlton, ME 04730. Online condolences and guest book at

www.dunnfuneral.com.



MARIANNE (CARNRICK) PURVIS

BANGOR - Marianne (Carnrick) Purvis, 75, died at a local nursing home, March 3, 2015, after a long battle with heart disease. She was born in Troy, NY, July 14, 1939, the daughter of Mahlon B. and Jane T. (Stevens) Carnrick.

Marianne worked for several years at Doug's Shop 'n Save and Hannaford before becoming a shuttle driver for Hertz.

Marianne is survived by a son, William Purvis of Bangor; a daughter, Patricia St. Peter and her husband, David, of Glenburn; and two grandsons, Matthew and Benjamin St. Peter. In addition to her parents, Marianne was predeceased by her husband of 49 years, Robert Purvis; and a brother, William Carnrick of California.

A Funeral Liturgy outside of Mass will be held for Marianne and Robert at 1 p.m. Saturday, March 7, 2015, at Brookings-Smith, 133 Center St., Bangor. Those who wish to remember Marianne in a special way may make gifts in her memory to the Elks Major Fundraising Campaign, Maine Children's Cancer Program, care of Bangor Lodge of Elks, 108 Odlin Road, Bangor, ME 04401-6704. Condolences to the family may be expressed at www.BrookingsSmith.com.



LUDEL M. PAYSON

YUMA, AZ, and LAMOINE, ME - Ludel M. Payson went home to be with the Lord surrounded by her family, February 27, 2015, after a courageous battle with cancer. Ludel was born on Oct. 10, 1950, in Jonesport, ME, to the late Harold and Ruth Smith.

Ludel enjoyed traveling with her devoted husband of 39 years, Jerry. She also enjoyed playing cards, bingo and riding her bike throughout the park. She shared many special times and memories with close friends at Sun Vista RV Resort.

Ludel was predeceased by her brother, Rowland Polley. She is survived by her daughter, April Hartford and husband, Scott, and grandchildren, Benjamin, Alexander, Abbie and Emily; son, Bubba Payson and his wife, Suzan, and grandson, Kaleb; sister, Starr Frost and husband, Jeff; many special nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held at a later date in Maine. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Hospice Compassus, 1025 W. 24th Street, Suite 15, Yuma, AZ 85364, in memory of Ludel Payson.