

OBITUARIES



AUGUSTUS P. GREGORY, JR.

SANTA CRUZ, CA - Gus was a successful entrepreneur and businessman

but more than that - he was a multi-talented human being who loved people and with his ready sense of humor was great fun to be with. He was born in Madawaska, Maine up on the Canadian border to Augustus P. Gregory, Sr. and Laura Lemieux Gregory.

Gus was proud of his heritage. His family migrated to Canada from Orleans, France and was part of the original eleven families to settle in Quebec. The house of Roy has its own plaque with the date of 1725. Gus visited this home just two years ago. The Gregoire family migrated to the USA by wagon trail in the early 1800's settling in Fairfield and Waterville, Maine.

Gus' father moved his family to Bucksport, Maine where he became chief chemist for a newly built paper mill. Gus grew up in Bucksport graduating from the local high school, Kents Hill Jr. College, and the University of Maine. Wanting some adventure, he then joined the US Air Force and graduated from the USAF Cadet Program 53A. He became a jet fighter pilot and served 3 1/2 years in the Pacific Theatre - Japan, the Philippines and Taiwan earning 5 area ribbons, 2 combat ribbons and the "Badge of Honor" presented at his home by two members of the Taiwanese State Department.

He decided to leave the Air Force and join Bethlehem Steel in New England where he became responsible for the nuclear components of two large ships under construction. His success led to other managerial and executive positions at industrial companies in New England. He married and fathered three children: Mark, Pamela, and Andrea.

He moved his family to Boca Raton, Florida where he became administrator of the large hospital in Boynton Beach. He was an active member of the community and founded needed organizations including Boca Raton Academy. He was honored with the Presidents' Award from the Boca Raton Chamber of Commerce for his service. He also formed a real estate company as well as becoming President of one of the two Florida Real Estate appraisers groups.

Divorced in 1981, he met Joyce Wrenn in December of 1982 in a Boca Raton home building store one Saturday morning. She was looking for house numbers for her new home and he stepped up and offered to help. Some weeks later, when he proposed marriage she told him she didn't come alone, she came with Santa Cruz. They were married in February of 1985. His special wedding gift to her was a song which he composed, both words and music, called Our Life. It was sung at the ceremony by a fellow he brought

down to Florida from Maine. And it was played at the reception for their opening dance.

Her job took her to San Francisco, Dallas, and Omaha and Gus initially commuted but decided to sell his Florida business and join her full time. Gus continued to work in business ventures and then retired to spend more time on philanthropic interests and write books.

One of his most significant achievements was establishing the 10,000 sq. ft. Rand Community Center in Missouri Valley, Iowa. He took it from initial vision through funding, building, and ongoing operation. It serves today as a hub for the many community activities, including the children's Christmas Party, Seniors' meetings and food service, and emergency housing for severe weather events.

In 2000, Gus and Joyce left Omaha and Missouri Valley and drove west to Santa Cruz. Gus taught Joyce to fish and together they traveled the world for adventure, insight, and fishing. An annual trip to Alaska produced enough fish for the freezer to last a whole year. One of the most exciting fishing trips was to a remote cabin in upper Scandinavia where there were many moose along the trails and signs warning to 'Watch for Muskoxen'.

In Santa Cruz, Gus continued to write books. He co-authored with photographer Dave Clark a coffee table book, "Reflections of the Santa Cruz Harbor, a Portal to Monterey Bay". All proceeds went to the O'Neill Sea Odyssey. He republished a book for children he had written in Florida called "Animals and Things". He also collected the poems he had written and added a few other favorites in a book, "Poetry, American Humor, and a Few Dirty Jokes". He had been called so many times by people around the country asking how he produced the Rand Community Center that he wrote "The Money Tree", a how to for those wishing to do the same.

Gus died peacefully July 13, 2016, at his home in Santa Cruz and is survived by his 'wringman', Joyce Wrenn of Santa Cruz, his three children, Mark Gregory, Pamela Gregory John and husband Robert John, Andrea Gregory Pooley and husband Thomas Pooley, and his stepdaughter, Brie Wrenn and husband Jerry Sweetland and Gus's grandchildren Jake and Kate Sweetland.

A celebration with fond reflections of Gus's life will be shared at the Santa Cruz Yacht Club (244 4th Ave.) in Santa Cruz on August 3rd at 12 noon. A private committal at sea will take place the following morning. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Gus's memory to the O'Neill Sea Odyssey at oneillseaoodysey.org or to PANDAS, a children's disease research and education program, at pandasnetwork.org.

SAMUEL JOHN COOPER

BANGOR - Samuel "Sam" John Cooper passed away unexpectedly

Sunday, July 17, 2016, at Eastern Maine Medical Center. Sam was born in Vestal, New York on September 3rd, 1936.

He was a graduate of Johnson City High school in Johnson City, N.Y. He served proudly in the United States Air Force and served his country in Viet Nam. Sam retired from the Air Force in 1975, after twenty years of service. He then worked another twenty years for Maine Energy a local business.

He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Elaine; daughter, Gail; son, David and his wife, Cynthia; a grandson, Matthew; and a great-granddaughter, Alexis; his brother, Paul and his wife, Ginny; a niece, Becky and her husband, Paul.

Death Notices

CAMMACK, Michael A., 60, Holden; at Bangor, July 24, 2016. Brookings-Smith, 133 Center St., Bangor.

CARON, Paul C., Bangor, July 24, 2016.

CAYFORD, Ida M., Saint Albans; at Bingham, July 23, 2016. Service 11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 13, at Nutter Cemetery, Corinna. Crosby & Neal Chapel, Corinna.

COOPER, Samuel J., Bangor; at Bangor, July 17, 2016.

CROWE, Sterling D., 85, Pembroke; at Pembroke, July 11, 2016. Service 11 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 3, at Iron Works Methodist Church, Little Falls Rd., Pembroke. Mays Funeral Home, Calais & Eastport.

DOWNER, Alton "Tony", 96, Blue Hill; at Blue Hill, July 24, 2016.

GREGORY, Augustus P., Jr., Santa Cruz., Calif. and Bucksport; at Santa Cruz, July 13, 2016. Service 12 p.m. Aug. 3, 2016, at Santa Cruz Yacht Club, 244 4th Ave., Santa Cruz.

JAMBARD, Rita M., 91, Van Buren; at Caribou, July 25, 2016. Service 11 a.m. Friday, July 29, 2016, St. Bruno-St. Remi Catholic Church, Van Buren. Lajoie Funeral Home, 118 High St., Van Buren.

LOUNSBURY, Geraldine N., 91, Hampden and Springhill, Fla., July 25, 2016. Service 11 a.m. Monday, Aug. 1, 2016, at Hampden Highlands United Methodist Church, 48 Kennebec Rd., Hampden. Hampden-Gilpatrick Chapel of Brookings-Smith, 45 Western Ave., Hampden.

PARENT, Leonard, 74, Winslow; at Portland, July 25, 2016. Service 11 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 3 at Notre Dame Catholic Church, Silver Street, Waterville. Veilleux Funeral Home, 8 Elm St., Waterville.

PIETROSKI, Joseph J. Sr., 93, Rockland; at Rockport, July 24, 2016. Service 10 a.m. Monday, Aug. 1, at St. Bernard's Catholic Church, 150 Broadway, Rockland. Burpee, Carpenter and Hutchins Funeral Home, 110 Limerock St., Rockland.

POWLES, Raymond C., Jr., 86, Nashua, N.H., July 21, 2016.

TAYLOR, Russell F., 87, Houlton and East Millinocket, July 26, 2016. Service 1 p.m. Saturday, July 30, 2016, at Evergreen Cemetery, Houlton. Dunn Funeral Home, 11 Park St., Houlton.

TWEEDIE, Gary V., 56, Winterport, July 25, 2016.



GERALDINE 'GERRY' N. LOUNSBURY

HAMPDEN AND SPRINGHILL, FLA. - Geraldine "Gerry" Lounsbury, 91, passed away July 25, 2016, after a brief illness, with her husband of 65 years, and her family by her side.

She was born in Hampden, October 6, 1924, daughter of Jack and Cora Rawcliffe.

On June 16, 1946, Gerry graduated from the University of Maine, Orono with a degree in sociology. She moved to Charleston, West Virginia for a job as director of the Girl Scouts. She returned to Hampden to care for her ill parents. It was then that she met her future husband, Joe, at Star Beef Company, while operating her parent's store. On October 25, 1951, Gerry married Joe Lounsbury.

Surviving in addition to her husband, are four children, Sharon Wright and her husband, Robert of Centerville, Ohio, Joe Lounsbury, Jr. and his wife, Donna of Palm Coast, Fla., Shelly Eaton and her husband, Jeffery of Washington, Sheila Marriner and her husband, Michael of Lincolnville; grandchildren, Bryan Wright, Lisa Wright Shuster, Lauren Wright, Daniel Wright, Jason Lounsbury, Melissa Osher, Jillian Biehl, Kasey Leidenroth, Sarah Marriner, Zachary Marriner and Stacy McCarthy; four great-grandchildren, Cameron Lounsbury, Griffin Osher, Marin Osher and Tessa Osher; numerous nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by three brothers, Wilfred "Hi", Reginald, and Carl Rawcliffe.

Relatives and friends are invited to call 3-6 p.m. Sunday, July 31, 2016, at the Hampden-Gilpatrick Chapel of Brookings-Smith, 45 Western Ave., Hampden. A memorial service will be held 11 a.m. Monday, August 1, 2016, at the Hampden Highlands United Methodist Church, 48 Kennebec Rd., Hampden, with the Rev. David Nicol, pastor, officiating.

Those wishing to remember her in a special way, may contribute in her memory to the Girl Scouts of Maine, 359 Perry Rd., Bangor, ME 04401.

Condolences to the family may be expressed at www.BrookingsSmith.com.



ALTON 'TONY' DOWNER

BLUE HILL - Alton "Tony" Downer, 96, died peacefully July 24, 2016, at Blue Hill Memorial Hospital after a long and happy life. He was born March 30, 1920, in Springfield, Mass., the son of Guy and Ruth Adams Downer.

Tony graduated from Mount Hermon School in Northfield, Mass., in 1939, and went on to Syracuse University as a student in music education. With WWII declared, he left in his junior year and joined the Navy, achieving the rank of Ensign and was a communications officer on an LST in the Pacific Ocean, taking part in the battle of Okinawa and the occupation of Japan. At the end of the war, he met and married Millie Gabbert, a Navy nurse whom he met in Long Beach, Calif.

He returned to Syracuse to receive a BFA and Masters of Music Education. Then, from 1948-1958, he worked as a HS band director and church choir director in Mariemont, Ohio. He then moved to Latham, N.Y., 1958-1978, where he worked in public education for the North Colonie School District as a music teacher and ultimately an elementary school principal. While in Latham, he also was choir director of the Calvary United Methodist Church, and directed musicals with a local theatrical company.

Upon retirement, he and Millie moved to Harborside, Maine, and created their dream; building a home on the ocean and living a life filled with gardening, nature, music, friends and travel. Tony was especially fulfilled by his volunteer work at the Bagaduce Music Lending Library and singing in the Bagaduce Chorale.

He was pre-deceased by his wife, Millie (Gabbert), and is survived by his son, Rick in Atlanta, Ga.; daughter, Sallie Biittner in Syracuse, N.Y.; and three grandchildren.

Memorial contributions in his name can be made to the Bagaduce Music Lending Library, PO Box 829, Blue Hill, ME 04614. Checks may be payable to "BMILL" in his memory.

Condolences may be expressed at www.jordanfernald.com



RITA M. JAMBARD

VAN BUREN - Rita M. Jambard, aka Rita Bard, 91, died Monday, July 25, 2016, at a Caribou hospital. She was born June 19, 1925, in Lawrence, MA, to the late Joseph and Emilie (Levesque) Laverdiere and was raised in Van Buren.

Rita was a parishioner of St. Bruno-St. Remi Church and long-time member of the American Legion Auxiliary, Post #49, Van Buren. She was a devoted mother and loved to dote on her loving children. She like to sew and knit items to share, tending her flower garden, and always enjoyed a good card game with company.

She is survived by three sons, Raymond Jambard and his, Julieanne of St. Leonard, NB, Canada, Roger Jambard of Casselberry, FL, and Stephen Jambard and his wife, Diane of Grand Falls, NB, Canada; four daughters, Carlina Michaud and her husband, Adrien of Fredericton, NB, Canada, and Lisa Parker and her husband, Scott of Winchester, NH; one brother, Roland Laverdiere of Van Buren; one sister, Bernadette Cormier of Van Buren; 10 grandchildren, many great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

Besides her parents, Rita is predeceased by her husband, Clifford J. Jambard, in 1994; and three sisters, Alma Soucy, Cecile Klaneski and Aline Bowley.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11AM on Friday, July 29, 2016, at St. Bruno-St. Remi Catholic Church, Van Buren. Relatives and friends may greet the family Thursday from 6:00 until 8:00 PM and Friday morning 9-10:30 AM at Lajoie Funeral Home, 118 High St., Van Buren. Burial will follow in the parish cemetery.

To share condolences online, please visit www.LajoieFuneralHome.com

RAYMOND C. POWLES JR. U.S. NAVY RETIRED

NASHUA, N.H. - Raymond C. Powles, Jr., 86, a longtime resident of Nashua, NH, died peacefully on July 21, 2016, following a lengthy illness.

He was the beloved husband of Nancy (McDevitt) Powles with whom he spent 50 wonderful years of marriage.

Ray was born on October 10, 1929, in Newburgh, NY, the son of the late Raymond C. Powles, Sr. and Caroline (Montfort) Powles.

After graduating from high school, he joined the United States Navy and served as a communications specialist. Following his retirement from the Navy, he worked for Sanders Associates as an engineer writer. He remained with them for twenty-three years and retired as they were known as BAE Systems. He was a member of the Masons of Cherryfield, ME and the Eastern Star Organization. He was also a member of the Pepperell V.F.W. Post #3291. Ray was a very devoted family man and often enjoyed spending time at the family homestead in Franklin, ME.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by a son, Raymond C. Powles, III of Goffstown, NH; a daughter, Stephanie (Powles) Murphy and her husband, William (Bill) Murphy of Pepperell, MA; three grandchildren, Caitlin Powles, Nicole Murphy and William (Billy) Murphy, Jr.

A private memorial will be held at a later date. Donations may be made in his memory to the Narraguagus Masonic Lodge #88, 8 Wilson Hill Road, Cherryfield, ME 04622.

For on-line condolences please visit marchandfuneralhome.com



RUSSELL F. TAYLOR

HOULTON AND EAST MILLINOCKET - Russell F. Taylor, 87, left peacefully to be with his Lord Jesus, on Tuesday, July 26, 2016, at his residence. He was born Sept. 13, 1928, in Ludlow, the son of Frederick and Daisy (Hall) Taylor.

Following high school, Russell served in the United States Marine Corps. He graduated from the University of Maine in 1952 with a degree in mechanical engineering and worked at the Great Northern Company from 1952 until 1987, when he retired as Plant Engineer. Russell enjoyed hunting, fishing, golfing and gardening. He and Joyce enjoyed watching the Red Sox, Patriots and golf. Russell will always be remembered in our hearts and thoughts as a loving husband, dad, brother and a friend. His love, guidance and generosity always warmed the family's heart. He will be greatly missed and never forgotten.

Russell is survived by his three children, Leslie Powers of Millinocket, Rusty Taylor and his wife, Annie of Houlton, Joleen Taylor of Short Pump, Virginia; the mother of his children, Charlene Taylor of East Millinocket; three grandchildren, Samera Spear and her husband, Leigh, Kaitlyn Osborne and her husband, Jay, Ky Theriault and his wife, Jaimie; two great-grandchildren, Emma Spear and Liam Theriault; three sisters, Arlean Mooradian, Barbara Fitzpatrick, Betty Harvey and her husband, Asa; his sisters-in-law, Della Taylor and Polly Taylor; several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his parents; his son, James Taylor; his second wife, Joyce "Tess" Taylor; two brothers, Holland and Freeman.

Graveside service with Military Honors will be held in Evergreen Cemetery, Houlton, 1:00PM Saturday, July 30, 2016, with Rev. Randall Burns officiating. A celebration of life will immediately follow at the Military Street Baptist Church. Gifts may be made in Russell's memory payable to Hospice of Aroostook-Houlton Division c/o Dunn Funeral Home, 11 Park Street, Houlton, 04730. Online condolences and guest book: dunnfuneral.com

In Memoriam

In Loving Memory Of
SHERRY (WILEY) DEPHILIPPO

July 27, 1969 - April 6, 2008



Happy Birthday to you, happy birthday to you. We love and miss you very much. You are always in our hearts and thoughts. The bond is still strong between mother and daughter. Give Chris and Nichol a big hug and kiss from us all. Big hugs from us all to you, my arms will hold you forever. Have a happy day. Love, Mom and Dad, your daughters, grandchildren, brothers, sisters and the whole Wiley clan



PAUL C. CARON

BANGOR - Paul C. Caron passed away July 24, 2016, surrounded by family. He was born May 25, 1932, in Caribou, and worked for the State until his retirement.

He was predeceased by his first wife, Viola. He will be sadly missed by his wife, Gladys; children, Paul O. Caron, Kevin J. Caron, Paula Langlais and their spouses, stepchildren, grandchildren; and his sister, Barbara Giggey.

Interment July 29th 10 am at Lakeview Cemetery, Hampden.

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