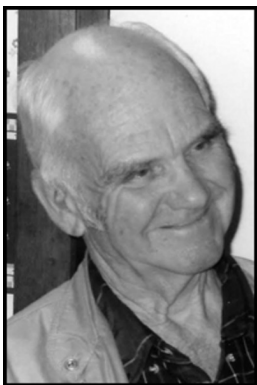


OBITUARIES



RAY A. YORK

MEDWAY - Ray A. York, 89, went home to be with his Lord and Savior, after a long and courageous battle with Alzheimer's which he won on Oct 3, 2015, when angels carried him through the portals of heaven fulfilling a lifetime longing of seeing his savior face to face. The Bible says in II Timothy 4, "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: There is now laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day; and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing." He was born January 15, 1926, in Medway, to John L. and Hattie A. (Thompson) York.

As a young man, 18 years of age, he joined the US Army, proudly serving his country abroad during World War II. He was an honorable member of the "greatest generation" fighting to preserve the peace and gave future generations the precious gift of freedom. In 1952, he married the love of his life, Priscilla A. York of Medway. They built a house in Medway in 1957, and together they raised seven children that was truly a home of love, where God was the centerpiece of their relationship as husband and wife. He worked for 31 and a half dedicated years at Great Northern Paper Company in East Millinocket retiring in 1986. After retirement he worked four seasons in Acadia National Park for Wildwood Stables as a teamster taking tourists on scenic tours on the carriage roads. Ray put God first in everything he ever did. He was an amazing husband and father. He had a passion for horses that was undeniable. He was grateful every day that he was able to go through the doors of God's house, and never hardly ever missed a meeting. He was so happy that all of his children are serving the Lord. That was his greatest desire.

Ray is survived by his beloved wife Priscilla of 63 years; children Hattie Damon and her husband Dan of Smithfield, Altona McLaughlin, Barney York and his wife Terri, Noel York and his wife Kelly, Jerry York and his wife Kelly, all of Medway, and Joni Campbell and her husband Steve of East Millinocket; a daughter in law Kim York of Medway; a brother Jack York of Medway and a sister Sharon Dickey of Medway 24 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. In addition to his parents he was predeceased by a son Nathan York, siblings Marjorie Noddin, Bessie Sheehan, Beulah Moody, Stella Kimball, Vaughn York, and Phillis York.

The family would like to give special thanks to the East Millinocket Ambulance Team, the staff at Millinocket Regional and the wonderful staff of In Home Caregivers who took such wonderful care of Dad. Also special thanks to the Katahdin Area Support group for all you did. Now, last but in no means least, Ray's children would like to publicly thank their mother Priscilla, for her never ending care and support of their father during his 14 year illness.

Viewing will be from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Monday Oct 5, 2015 at Calvary Temple Assembly of God, 2 Orchard Street, East Millinocket where a celebration of life service will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, October 6, 2015, with Pastor Regginal Adams officiating. Interment with full military honors, will be at Grindstone Road Cemetery immediately following the funeral. A time of remembrance and fellowship will be held immediately after the memorial service at Calvary Temple Fellowship Hall. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the General Fund at Calvary Temple. Arrangements with Clay Funeral Home, 7 Lee Road, Lincoln. Notes of condolence may be left at www.clayfuneralhome.com.

Death Notices

BRADBURY JR., Alfred G. "Ted," 64, Millinocket; at Smith Pond, October 3, 2015. Service 11 a.m., Wednesday, October 7, 2015 at Millinocket Cemetery. Lamson Funeral Home, Millinocket.

BURSON, Shirley A., 77, Limestone; at Limestone, October 2, 2015. Service 11 a.m., Friday, October 9, 2015 at Lancaster Morgan Funeral Home, 11 Clover St., Caribou.

DODGE, Indaca H., Verona Island, October 1, 2015. Service 11 a.m., Tuesday, October 6, 2015 at Mitchell-Tweedie Funeral Home, 28 Elm St., Bucksport.

EMERY, Desmond S., 89, Camden; at Camden, October 1, 2015. Service 1 p.m., Saturday, October 10, 2015 at Seaview Cemetery, Outer Russell Ave., Rockport. Long Funeral Home & Cremation Service, 9 Mountain St., Camden.

GRANT, Melvina M., 58, Indian Township; at Bangor, October 1, 2015. Service 11 a.m., Tuesday, October 6, 2015 at St. Anne's RC Church, Peter Dana Point. Mays Funeral Home, Calais & Eastport.

JALBERT, Blanche Cyr, 96, Brunswick, October 2, 2015. Funeral Alternatives.

JORDAN, Marcia King, Ellsworth and Portland; at Portland, October 2, 2015. Service 1 p.m., Wednesday, October 7, 2015 at Jordan-Fernald Funeral Home, 113 Franklin St., Ellsworth.

KELLY, Joyce Ann (Mertes), Fort Kent; at Fort Kent, October 1, 2015. Service 11 a.m., Tuesday, October 6, 2015 at the St. Louis Catholic Church, Fort Kent. Daigle Funeral Home, Fort Kent.

NICKERSON, Arielle Victoria, 24, Bradford; at Bangor, October 1, 2015. Service 1 p.m., October 8, 2015 at Nickerson Family Cemetery, Old Union Rd., Washington. Hall Funeral Home, 949 Main Street, Waldoboro.

TAUBENBERGER, Hans and Eleanore. Service 2 p.m., Sunday, October 11, 2015 at Peabody Memorial Library, Jonesport.

YORK, Ray A., 89, Medway, October 3, 2015. Service 2 p.m., Monday, October 5, 2015 at Calvary Temple Assembly of God, 2 Orchard St., East Millinocket. Clay Funeral Home, Lincoln.



BLANCHE CYR JALBERT

BRUNSWICK - Surrounded by her family, Blanche Cyr Jalbert, 96, died peacefully on October 2nd, 2015 at Mid-Coast Hospital.

She was born in Fort Kent on March 11, 1919, the daughter of F. Joseph Cyr and Alma (Dugal) Cyr, one of 11 children.

She is survived by 5 daughters, Maxine B. Jalbert and son-in-law Larry Durham of Morrow, Georgia, Phyllis A. Jalbert of Freeport, Maine, Susan M. Jalbert of Boulder, Colorado, Patti M. Jalbert and son-in law Alan Casavant of Biddeford, Maine, and Bonnie C. Jalbert and son-in-law Daniel Jalbert of St. John, Maine and a sister Cora Jones of South Venice, Florida, 8 Grandchildren, Chandra Jalbert Oppenheim, Andrea J. O'Neill and husband Kevin O'Neill, Ashley Joler and partner Crystin Ford, Ian Sawyer and wife Megan J. Erin Sawyer, Travis Slocum, Danielle Slocum and partner Jacob Dimick and Caleb Slocum. 3 great-grand children, Issa Oppenheim-Pressman, Brixton O'Neill and Collins O'Neill and many devoted nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband, Willard (Sunshine) Jalbert Jr., her son Willard (Billy) Jalbert III, and her grandson Steve Clark.

A Memorial Mass will be celebrated next summer at St. Louis Parish in Fort Kent.

Contributions in her memory can be made to: Cyr Family Scholarship, UMFK, 23 University Drive, Fort Kent, Maine 04743 or Holocaust & Human Rights Center of Maine, Michael Klahr Center, UMA, 46 University Drive, Augusta, Maine 04330.

Condolences may be expressed at FuneralAlternatives.net

ARIELLE VICTORIA NICKERSON

BRADFORD - Arielle Victoria Nickerson, 24, formerly of Warren, died October 1, 2015 at Eastern Maine Medical Center in Bangor.

Friends are welcome to join the family for a time of visitation from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Hall's of Waldoboro, 949 Main Street, Waldoboro followed by a graveside service at 1 p.m. on October 8th at the Nickerson Family Cemetery, Old Union Road in Washington.

You can share condolences with the family at www.hallfuneralhomes.com

Arrangements are entrusted to Hall's of Waldoboro, 949 Main Street, Waldoboro.



SHIRLEY A. BURSON

LIMESTONE - Shirley A. Burson, 77, beloved wife of Howard A. Burson passed quietly in her sleep at her home on October 2, 2015.

She was born on December 20, 1937 in Caswell, the daughter of Joseph and Madeline (Fisher) LaBreck.

Shirley worked for 25 years at Aroostook Shoe. She spent much of her time following retirement, volunteering for various charities, through R.S.V.P., Catholic Charities, and the Animal Refuge in Limestone. Her favorite charity to give to was World Vision in which she supported several children through their school years. She was a giver of herself, through helping anyone when she was able. Her love for flowers gave her lots of joy and reading was her passion.

Shirley will be dearly missed by her family, her husband Howard, daughters, Peggy Holmes and her husband Elmer, Barbara Perkins and her husband Christopher and son Mark Burson. She will also be greatly missed by her best friend of over 50 years, Carol Berube. She leaves behind a beautiful family of grandchildren, Christian, Travis, Faith, Aimee, Vicki, Corey, Mark, Shannon, Shane, April, Charlie, and step grandchildren Chelsea and Tom. She also had 14 beautiful great grandchildren and one great great granddaughter. She also had many nieces and nephews that she held dear to her heart.

In addition to her parents, she is predeceased by her 6 brothers, 3 sisters, a step grandson Joshua, granddaughter Kristy Dawn and Christian.

Friends and family may call 10am, Friday, October 9, 2015 at Lancaster Morgan Funeral Home, 11 Clover St., Caribou, where a memorial service will be held at 11am. A reception will follow the service at the funeral home. Shirley loved her pets and in lieu of flowers donations may be made in her memory to Halfway Home Pet Rescue, P.O. Box 488, Caribou, ME 04736. A special thanks to Hospice of Aroostook especially Ruth. Online condolences may be expressed at www.lancastermorgan.com.

HANS AND ELEANORE TAUBENBERGER

JONESPORT - A Remembrance/Celebration of Life for Hans and Eleanore Taubenberger will be held Sunday October 11, 2015 from 2:00 to 4:00pm at Peabody Memorial Library, Jonesport. Please bring your memories of Hans and Eleanore.



JOYCE ANN (MERTES) KELLY

FORT KENT - Joyce Ann (Mertes) Kelly died unexpectedly at her residence in Fort Kent on October 1, 2015. She was born June 18, 1929 in Northwest-Norwood Park, Illinois, the youngest of four children born to Bernard and Muriel (Parnell) Mertes.

Joyce graduated from William Howard Taft High School in Chicago in June, 1947. She completed a three year elementary course at Maine State Normal Schools in Fort Kent on June 29, 1950. She obtained a Bachelor of Science in Education from the University of Maine at Orono in June 8, 1963. She met the love of her life Paul Kelly, at UMO. They married June 21, 1950, in Illinois and began their sixty-four years together. They raised six children while living in Fort Kent, Hodgdon and Milford. Joyce began her teaching career in Veazie, ME where she taught third and fourth grade. The family eventually moved back to Fort Kent where Joyce taught first grade at both Market Street School and Fort Kent Elementary School for more than twenty years. Joyce lived life to its fullest, hiking and tenting with friends and family in Baxter State Park, going to camp at Cross Lake with everyone, golfing with Sis, skiing with Bernice and her other friends and walking her dogs down the Armory Road around the college. Joyce loved sports, she participated in synchronized swimming and won a medal as a high board diver. She also excelled in speed skating and lettered in cheer leading for the football team. She taught herself to ski and spent many enjoyable days at the ski-tow in Fort Kent.

She was predeceased by her son, Kevin, on Dec. 19, 2012, and her husband, Paul, on Jan. 8, 2015. She is survived by her children, grandchildren and great-granddaughter who will carry her love with them in their hearts forever. They include her son, Paul and his wife Margo of Lincoln and their children, Paul, Erin and Meghan. Her daughter, Pamela and her husband Daniel Pelletier of Belgrade and their children; Kelly and her husband March Truedson, and Polly. Daniel and his wife Justine and Hana and her husband, Justin Bennett and their daughter Pearl. Her son, Daniel and his wife Mary of Falmouth and their children, Jill, Patrick, and Sam. Her son Charles and his wife, Ruth of Gorham and their children; Brendan and Annie. Her son, Mark and his wife Ari of Fort Kent and their children; Mira and Finnegan. Joyce is also survived by her sister, Muriel "Sis" Cyr of Fort Kent and by several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Friends may call 9 to 11a.m. Tuesday Oct. 6, 2015 at the Daigle Funeral Home, 14 East Main St., Fort Kent. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated 11 a.m. Tuesday at the St. Louis Catholic Church, Fort Kent. Committal services will follow in the parish cemetery. In Lieu of Flowers, those who wish may donate in her memory to: Lonesome Pine Trails, Inc. PO Box 372, Fort Kent, Me. 04743. Envelopes are available at the Funeral Home.



MARCIA KING JORDAN

ELLSWORTH AND PORTLAND - Marcia King Jordan passed away unexpectedly in Portland October 2, 2015. Marcia was born August 28, 1931 in Ellsworth, Maine to Harold and Cora (Watson) King.

She graduated from Ellsworth High School 1949 and Washington State Normal School which is now known as University of Maine at Machias, Maine 1952. Marcia married the love of her life Charlie on February 23, 1952 in Ellsworth, Maine and had (62) happy years together before his death last November. She was a Teacher in both Ellsworth and Houlton, Maine before retiring in 1984. Her daughter had the fortune or misfortune of having her mother as a (4th grade teacher) at the Knowlton School in Ellsworth, Maine. Students to this day still say what a teacher she was. Upon retiring Marcia and Charlie travelled extensively with friends and family members Calvin and Dot-tie Jordan.

In her younger years Marcia and her longtime buddy Nancy Tarbox of Saco, Maine in their spare time were Girl Scout Leaders, Marcia was the Assistant. Marcia was also very active in the Order of Eastern Star, Irene Chapter #97 and was a Life Member as well. She was well known for cooking especially her Homemade Yeast Rolls that were a must at every occasion, those will be sadly missed. Spending their days travelling, shopping and meeting new friends was what she enjoyed. After moving to Portland, she and Charlie became very active in the Portland Parks and Recreation program for seniors, it was here they meet many new friends from Southern, Maine.

Marcia is survived by her daughter Jennifer Jordan-Trombley and her husband Michael of Portland; her Step-Granddaughter Tricia Trombley, her fiancé Adrian Aguilar and Great-Step Granddaughter Liana and Great Step-Grandson Zackary of Falmouth, and Step Grandson Michael of Arizona; a special nephew Kelly and his wife Christine of Ellsworth; as well as several other nieces, nephews, cousins and old and new friends survive. Marcia was predeceased by her Husband Charles (Charlie) in November 2014.

The family would like to thank the dedicated staff of the Portland Fire Department and EMT's that assisted her as well as Maine Medical Center ER and Staff at Maine Medical Center Gibson Wing. The staff went out of their way in her final hours to help.

A service celebrating Marcia's Life will be held at Jordan-Fernald in Ellsworth, 113 Franklin St. on Wednesday October 7, 2015. Visiting hour from 12:00 to 1:00, and service immediately following with Robert Maddocks officiating. Interment will be in Lamaine at the East Lamaine Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers the family suggests contributions may be made in Marcia's name to either Alzheimer's or the charity of your choice.

Condolences may be expressed at www.jordanfernalld.com

Irish playwright Brian Friel dies at 86

REUTERS

DUBLIN — Brian Friel, Ireland's best-known playwright of the latter half of the 20th century, whose plays including "Dancing at Lughnasa," "The Faith Healer" and "Translations" were performed throughout the world, died Friday, Irish media said. He was 86 years old.

In his works, many of which were based in the fictional Irish town of Ballybeg, Friel held up a mirror to Irish society and captured relationships, conflicts and contradictions that had a universal resonance.

"He was forensically interrogating our own history, our history of colonization, our relations with Britain, our relations with the enemy within, sometimes, and he was ruthless about that," Fiac'h McConghail, director of the Abbey Theatre, told state broadcaster RTE.

The Abbey, Ireland's national theater, produced Friel's first play, "The Enemy Within" in 1962, while he was still working as a teacher.

Sean Doran, an artistic director who mounted a festival of Friel's plays in August in Belfast and Donegal in cooperation with the playwright and his family, ranked Friel among the giants of modern Irish writing.

"He was one of the great artists of our culture alongside in my view the great known names of (Samuel) Beckett and (James) Joyce," Doran told Reuters. "What was so special about him was that he wrote so majorly of our island, north and south."

Born in Killcogher, near Omagh, County Tyrone in Northern Ireland in 1929, Friel moved with his family to Londonderry when he was 10.

He attended St. Columb's College, where his fellow alumni included the poet Seamus Heaney, who died in 2013.

Friel received his Bachelor of Arts from St. Pat's College, Maynooth in 1948 and qualified as a teacher at St. Joseph's Training College in Belfast but shortly thereafter became involved in writing and theater.

"He wrote fine short stories, but he committed himself to the theater and to having us develop an understanding of who we were as a people, as a people with a very conflicted history," Anthony Roche, a professor of literature at University College Dublin and author of a book on Friel, told RTE.

"He never did it in a simplified way; he did it with beautiful language," Roche said.

Friel won three Tony Awards in 1992 for "Dancing at Lughnasa," a play about five maiden aunts in Ireland in the 1930s. It was turned into a film starring Meryl Streep in 1998.

His plays also won the Evening Standard Award, the Olivier Award and the New York Drama Critic's Circle Award.

Friel wrote 24 published plays, two short-story collections and adapted works by Ibsen, Chekhov and Turgenyev.

Irish President Michael D. Higgins described Friel as "a giant of Irish literature and thought."

Prime Minister Enda Kenny said in a statement: "The nation and the world have lost one of the giants of theater."

Friel died after a long illness at his home in Donegal, RTE reported. He is survived by his wife, Anne, and five children.

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