

OBITUARIES



MARY CHENEY GOULD

BROOKSVILLE - Mary Cheney Gould of Brooksville, Maine died on Sunday, November 1, 2015 at 3:22 PM in Blue Hill Memorial Hospital, in Blue Hill, ME.

Born September 28, 1924 in Bluefield, West Virginia to Lulu raft Cheyney and Clyde Irwin Cheyney, she was predeceased by her parents and her one sister, Elnora Cheyney Wickham, and her first husband, Boris Erich Nelson. She is survived by her son, David Irwin Nelson and his wife Patricia of Poughkeepsie, NY; her two grandchildren, Courtney Rose and Drew Irwin Nelson, and her great granddaughter Ayla Rose Nelson. Her second husband, George J. Gould died 1979 and is survived by two daughters, six grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren.

A lifelong musician, she studied piano under her mother's tutelage from age five to seven, then going on to other teachers. Attended local schools through high school, when fine choral director, Elizabeth Shelton, stimulated an interest in choral music and arranged for attendance for three summers at the Westminster Choir College High School Clinic, then held in Massachusetts at Mount Hermon School. This experience caused a lifelong addiction to both choral music and New England from which she never recovered. It also determined she would attend Westminster Choir College in Princeton, NJ, graduating with a BMus degree with majors in voice and organ in 1946.

She married Boris Erich Nelson in June 1946 and move with him to various academic positions at the University of Mass., Hampton Institute, VA and the University of Toledo, OH. At each of these locations she held organist/choir director positions in various churches and temples- at one time in Virginia serving a Baptist Church, a Jewish Temple, and a Greek Orthodox Church while teaching at Hampton Institute and conducting a community chorus, The Meistersingers, concurrently. 1957-58 was spent in Antwerp, Belgium as student Flor Peeters, renowned organist and director of the Antwerp Conservatory. This

led to many organ recitals in Europe and the United States.

In Ohio, she served and Episcopal Church for 13 years, taught organ and piano privately, performed with the Toledo Symphony Orchestra both as Orchestra member and soloist and played chamber music with various groups, and most importantly, formed a Two-Piano duo with Shirley Shafer Roe, an Oberlin graduate and fine pianist.

From 1954, to present she spent every summer in Maine. From 1957 to 1973, she taught and performed organ and piano at the New England Music Camp in Sidney. In 1973 she moved to Brooksville, Maine, married George J. Gould, a retired Toledo, OH lawyer and long-time friend and built a house for year round residence. This home is on Bagaduce River and it was here that she founded the Bagaduce Chorale in 1974. The Bagaduce Chorale is a community chorus of 80 to 90 singers who come from 18 different towns to rehearse and perform in Blue Hill. She served as a conductor and accompanist for 25 years, retiring in 1999 to become Director Emerita and to continue to serve as accompanist only. The love of studying and performing two-piano music was continued in Maine when she joined renowned pianist and conductor, Fritz Jahoda, in concerts over many years.

In 1983, she joined Marcia W. Chapman and Fritc Jahoda in founding the Bagaduce Music Lending Library which had its first home in the house on the Bagaduce. In 1985 the Music Library moved to its present quarters in Blue Hill where she continued to volunteer as Music Director until her death.

She was nationally recognized croquet player and coached many who came to play on her home court.

In lieu of flowers, please send contributions to the Bagaduce Music Lending Library Capital Campaign, in Blue Hill, Maine.

There will be no immediate service, but there will be a celebration of her life. The details will be announced in the near future.



BETTY J. LINDSAY

HOULTON - Betty Jean Belyea Johnson Lindsay, 82, went to be with her Lord November 8, 2015 at Houlton Regional Hospital surrounded by her family. She was born September 27, 1933 at Gardiner, Maine, the daughter of the late Perley A. and Mildred (Newton) Belyea, Sr.

Betty worked many years at JJ Newberry's, United Cleaning Center and Traveler's/Big Stop. She graduated from Houlton High School and attended Ricker Classical Institute. Also attended Houlton Full Gospel Assembly. Her greatest joy was her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Betty is survived by her six children Randy Johnson of Hodgdon, Sharon Welton of Hodgdon, Deanie Ivey and her husband Dale of Houlton, Karen Burt and her husband Frank of Monticello, Christy Alward and her husband Dale of Florida, Adam Johnson and his wife Isabelle of Gorham; 21

grandchildren, 30 great grandchildren; two sisters Margie Burnette and her husband Cecil of Massachusetts, Dolores Farrell of Houlton; one brother Malcolm Davis and his wife Norma of Houlton; several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband of many years Paul Johnson, her parents, one brother Perley Belyea, Jr. and two sisters Barbara Tolla and Eleanor Burns.

Friends may call at the Dunn Funeral Home 12noon Saturday, November 14 until the time of the service 1:00PM with Rev. Kevin Hatch officiating. Interment will be in the Littleton cemetery. A time of fellowship will follow the interment at the Houlton Full Gospel Assembly. In lieu of flowers, gifts may be made in Betty's memory to the Houlton Full Gospel Assembly c/o Dunn Funeral Home 11 Park Street Houlton, 04730. Online condolences and guest book: dunnfuneral.com

Death Notices

BAYLY, Michael Milne, 82, Fort Kent; at Van Buren, October 30, 2015.

BLETHEN, Nellie L. (Drew), 95, Brewer and Bangor; at Bangor, November 8, 2015. Service 2 p.m., Sunday, November 15, 2015 at the Brewer Chapel of Brookings-Smith, 55 S. Main St., Brewer

FENNO, Mary E., 84, Machias; at Bangor, November 10, 2015. Service 1 p.m., Thursday, November 12, 2015 at Machias Valley Baptist Church. McClure Family Funeral Services, Machias and Lubec.

FORBIS, Curtis L., Brewer and Hampden, November 8, 2015. Service 1 p.m., Friday, November 13, 2015 at the Brewer Chapel of Brookings-Smith, 55 South Main St., Brewer.

GOULD, Mary Cheney, Brooksville; at Blue Hill, November 1, 2015.

LINDSAY, Betty J., 82, Houlton; at Houlton, November 8, 2015. Service 1 p.m., Saturday, November 14, 2015 at Dunn Funeral Home, 11 Park St., Houlton.

PARADIS, Artheline (Therault), 97, Bristol; at Bristol, November 9, 2015. Service 10 a.m., Friday, November 13, 2015 at Funk Funeral Home, 35 Bellevue Ave., Bristol.

SMITH, Nancy D., Dover-Foxcroft; at Dover-Foxcroft, November 6, 2015. Service 11 a.m., Friday, November 13, 2015 at the Chapel of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 660 Bangor Rd., Dover-Foxcroft. Lary Funeral Home.

TINTO, Dorothy M. (Dot), 74, Ellsworth; at Ellsworth, November 5, 2015. Service 11 a.m., Saturday, November 28, 2015 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Ellsworth. Jordan-Fernald Funeral Home.

TUCKER, Lewis Lionell, 89, Ellsworth; at Portland, November 10, 2015. Jordan-Fernald, 113 Franklin St., Ellsworth.

MICHAEL MILNE BAYLY

FORT KENT - Michael Milne Bayly, 82, died October 30, 2015 at Borderview Rehabilitation

and Living Facility in Van Buren. He was born April 27, 1932 in New York and grew up in Portland, Oregon, the son of Russell and Isabel Wilson Bayly.

He was predeceased by his wife Joanne Bollam Bayly; his twin brother Russell Wilson Bayly, his son-in-law Patrick Ouellette, his parents and stepfather Donald Johnson. Michael is survived by his daughter Julia Bayly of Fort Kent, his sister Diana Baird, his nieces Leslie Baird, Laurie Baird, a nephew Scott Baird and two great-nephews all of Portland, Oregon. He is also survived by his special canine pal Corky of Fort Kent and the two house cats who now have to wait to be let in as they no longer have him at their beck and call.

Michael attended Shawngan Lake School in Shawngan Lake, British Columbia, Canada, where he played Rugby as a proud resident of Grove House. He served in the United States Army 1951-1952 in Korea where he was wounded by mortar and gunfire while rescuing a fallen comrade from a minefield. For his service he earned the Purple Heart and Bronze Star.

Michael married Joanne Bollam in 1959 after they met at Joanne's family cabin in Rhododendron, Oregon, at the foot of Mt. Hood. "The Cabin" remained one of Michael's favorite places and it was the last place of which he spoke just before his death.

He moved to Fort Kent in 2003 due to medical reasons to live with his daughter and son-in-law on their rural farm. Coming from the larger city of Portland, Oregon, it only took Michael about six years to stop referring to northern Maine as "The middle of oblivion." While unable to actively participate in many of the day-to-day happenings on the farm, Michael did enjoy watching and commenting on the various goings on and lending a hand whenever he could. A year ago he moved to Borderview Rehabilitation and Living Center in Van Buren where the kind, compassionate and dedicated nursing staff in the skilled care unit became his new family. Their attention to his care was a source of constant comfort to both Michael and his family.

At some point in the coming year Michael's ashes will be returned to rest with his wife in Portland, Oregon. Per his request, there will be no funeral and the family suggests donations to a Veterans' organization or animal rescue organization in his memory.



CURTIS L. FORBIS

BREWER AND HAMPDEN - Curtis L. Forbis died peacefully at his home on November 8, 2015, with his daughter by his side. He was born March 8, 1918 in North Carolina, son of William Vernon and Mollie (McManus) Forbis.

Curtis entered the Army in 1941, working his way up to Sergeant in the Military Police, until his honorable discharge in 1945. He married Margaret V Beach on September 23, 1942. They spent their remaining years in Maine. He retired from Jordan's CH Rice, after many years as a food sales representative, servicing schools and restaurants. He was an avid vegetable gardener, and managed to put a full garden in, as recently as this past summer. Earlier in his life, he was active in the Mason's, the Scottish Rite Bodies and was a member of the Maine Consistory, 32nd degree and Anah Shriners. He was outgoing and friendly, connecting personally with people of all ages and backgrounds.

Curtis was a loving husband and devoted father. He was a great friend to all who knew him; a true southern gentleman. He was predeceased by his wife, Margaret, son, R Gary, and brothers JL and Howard. Curtis is survived by his devoted daughter, Jill Forbis, of Hampden and sister, Cleo Lavailee, of Gray.

Relatives and friends are welcome to call 5 to 7pm Thursday, November 12, 2015 at the Brewer Chapel of Brookings-Smith, 55 South Main Street, Brewer where all are invited to a Masonic memorial service at 6:30pm conducted by the Officers and members of Rising Virtue Lodge #10, AF & AM of Bangor and where a funeral service will be held 1pm Friday, November 13, 2015 with the Rev. Grace Bartlett officiating. Interment with military honors will follow at Woodland Cemetery, Brewer. Those who wish to remember Curtis in a special way may make gifts in his memory to New Hope Hospice, PO Box 70, Eddington, ME. 04428-0070. Condolences to the family may be expressed at www.BrookingsSmith.com.



NELLIE L. (DREW) BLETHEN

BREWER AND BANGOR - Nellie L. (Drew) Blethen, 95, died November 8, 2015, at her daughter's home in Bangor. She was born in Bangor, May 9, 1920, the first child of the late Eva Florence (Fenderson) Drew and Charles Earle Drew.

Nellie was a graduate of Bangor High School, Class of 1937 and Beal Business College in 1938. She was a secretary in the insurance field, including the Paul L. Riley Agency. She was a life member of Eastern Star and Daughters of the American Revolution. She held various offices and was a Past Regent of the Frances Deighton Williams Chapter.

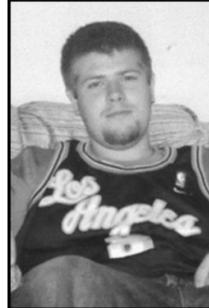
Nellie was predeceased by her husband of 50 years, Wesley L. Blethen, Sr.; her infant daughter, Dianne D.; as well as her sister, Ruth E. Cluff; and brothers, Robert F. Drew and Harold E. Drew. She is survived by her sister, Charlene M. Carter and her husband, Austin; son, Wesley L. Blethen, Jr. and his wife, Karen of Texas; daughters, Pamela J. Blethen of Derry, NH and Deborah A. Utterback and her husband, J. Gregg, whom she considered her second son, of Bangor. Her grandchildren, who include Brian, Darrell, Craig, Jennifer, Christopher and Timothy Blethen, Alicia Utterback Hodges, David Utterback and Rebecca Utterback; great grandchildren, Kaley and Briana Blethen; Remington, Madeleine and Nathan Blethen; Kaleb and Elora Blethen and Cara and Alexander Hodges; as well as many nieces and nephews from Maine to California; and her much loved kitty, Honey Baby.

Nellie enjoyed many summers at camp on Green Lake visiting with family and especially cooking Sunday chicken dinners, homemade vegetable soup and dumplings, and baking yeast rolls for them at Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Friends may call 1-2 p.m., Sunday, November 15 at the Brewer Chapel of Brookings-Smith, 55 S. Main Street, Brewer, where a memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Interment will be held at a later date. Those who wish to remember Nellie in a special way may make gifts in her memory to the Brewer Athletic Boosters, c/o David Utterback, 79 Parkway South, Brewer, ME 04412; or the Bangor Humane Society, 693 Mount Hope Ave, Bangor, ME 04401; or simply remember her by hugging someone you love. Condolences to the family may be expressed at www.BrookingsSmith.com.

In Memoriam

In Loving Memory Of **JAMES D. BLAKEMAN JR.** Sept 16, 1986 - Nov 11, 2009



You are my greatest accomplishment!
Love Always,
my precious son,
Mom

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