

OBITUARIES



WAYNE ARCHIE UPTON

MONTICELLO - Wayne A. Upton, 71, passed away on November 27, 2015 at Houlton Regional Hospital, surrounded by his family, after a long illness. He was born on March 2, 1944, in Monticello, the son of Ivan and Vivian (Beaton) Upton. Wayne graduated from Bridgewater Classical Institute, class of 1962. Following graduation, he attended University of Maine at Orono where he studied history. Following that, he returned home where he pursued a career with the Maine Department of Transportation, in which he worked for 41 years. During those early working years he began a relationship with the love of his life, Debbie Hanning, which led to their marriage November 2, 1973. They settled in Monticello and celebrated 42 years of marriage this November.

Wayne's greatest joy was his family and he dedicated his life to them. He enjoyed every chance he could to spend time with his wife and daughters, in their younger years driving them to practice, watching games and musical performances. In later years he enjoyed his grandchildren, often beating them at card and board games. Other enjoyments in life included the time he spent with family at both Harvey Siding and Marcia and Tim's camp at the lake. He was an avid sports fan and found great pleasure in following the Patriots, UNC Tarheel basketball, UMaine Hockey, and especially the Houlton Shiretowners and the Red Sox.

In addition to his parents he was predeceased by a brother Stephen and brother-in-law Brian. He is survived by his wife Debbie, a daughter Jennifer (Upton) Hickey, her husband Aaron and their son Connor, a daughter Erin (Upton) Cary, her husband Matthew and their children Keegan, Greyson, Callen and Caitlyn; a brother Charles and Ida Upton, a sister Patsy and Dale Thibodeau, a sister Dianne and Tom Berry and a brother Max; a mother-in-law Jean Hotham, a sister-in-law Marcia and Tim Smith, a brother-in-law Bruce and Stella Hanning and a brother-in-law Mark and Angela Hanning; many nieces and nephews as well as grandnieces and grandnephews.

Special thanks to Dr. Abouleish, his devoted physician, the staff at Gardiner Nursing Home as well as the staff at Houlton Regional Hospital who took exceptional care of Wayne during his last days.

Family and friends are welcome to attend the funeral service at 11 a.m. Monday, November 30, with Pastor Steve Straubel officiating at the Dunn Funeral Home, 11 Park Street, Houlton, ME. Interment will be at Jewell Cemetery, Monticello. In lieu of flowers, those who wish to remember Wayne in a special way may make gifts in his memory payable to the Houlton High School Boosters, c/o Dunn Funeral Home, 11 Park Street, Houlton, ME, 04730. Online condolences and guest book: dunnfuneral.com



MAYNARD & WANDA DAHLGREN

PITTSFIELD - A celebration of life honoring Maynard and Wanda Dahlgren will be held at 2 p.m., Saturday, December 5, 2015, at the Masonic Hall, 138 Hamilton Terrace, Pittsfield. Refreshments will be served and all are welcome. Anyone wishing to have their memories shared and read, please email to dahlgrencelebration@gmail.com



SHIRLEY M. WORSTER

PRENTISS - Shirley M. Worster, 75, wife of the late Delmont L. Worster, passed away Nov 27, 2015 at a Bangor hospital, with her family by her side. She was born June 14, 1940 in Prentiss, the daughter of John and Doris Smith.

She was the loving mother of Gail Worster and Darryl of Prentiss, Deirdre LaPlante of Lee, Marcia Worster and Lonnie of Lincoln, Dawn Worster and Troy of Winn, and Gary Worster and Hollie of Lee; loving grandmother of six, Kristy, Vicki, Derek, Ashlee, Brooke, and Zach, and great-grandmother of Darian and Harleigh. In addition she is survived by sisters Gloria Hersom and Leo and Jean Doane and Guy, and brothers, Tommy Smith and Ramona, Gary Smith and Juanita and Jeff Smith; many nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents and her husband, she was predeceased by sisters Dolores Glover and Joan Smith and brother Sterling Smith and her best friend, Norma Worster.

Shirley loved spending time with family, going for long rides, playing cards, Beano, and Yahtzee and going to the slots with family.

Friends may call from 3-5 p.m. Sunday at Clay Funeral Home, 7 Lee Road, Lincoln, where funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, with the Rev. Thomas Smith officiating. Interment will follow at Butterfield Cemetery, Prentiss. Those who wish may donate in her memory to the Alzheimer's Association. Condolences may be expressed at www.clayfuneralhome.com.

JOYCE IRENE POITRAS LIMESTONE AND FLORIDA - Joyce Irene Poitras, 90, of Pinellas Park, passed away suddenly Thursday, Nov. 26, 2015. She was born in Limestone, to Lemuel and Beatrice Morrell.

Joyce graduated from Limestone High School, and went on to beauty school. She owned her own salon for several years. In 1944, she married Oscar Poitras and raised her family in Limestone, ME.

She was active in The Garden Club, Daughters of Isabella, and St. Louis Parish. She was a wonderful homemaker and had many close and dear friends over the years. After the passing of her husband of 54 years in 1998, Joyce moved to Florida to be closer to family, and resided in Clearwater Cascades. She thoroughly enjoyed all of the friendships she made over the past 18 years, and all of the activities certainly kept her young. She enjoyed bowling, card playing, bingo and dominoes. Her greatest love was that of her family. She was celebrated in May for her 90th birthday with all of her family members present. That day was a highlight in her beautiful life. She was kindhearted, nurturing, and always saw the bright side of any situation. She will be missed by all who knew and loved her.

She is survived by three children, Robert (Waydette) Poitras, of Savannah, GA, Helen (Leo) Salvato of Scarborough, ME, and Scott (Suzanne) Roix of Largo; four grandchildren, Andrew (Libby) Poltras of Beverly, MA., Kristin (Rick) Kendall of Savannah, GA, and Max and Abby Roix of Largo; also a sister, Ruth Richardson of Elmira NY, and a brother Fred (Pat) Morrell of Melbourne; and five great-grandchildren, Mackearney, Henry, and Lily Kendall, of Savannah, GA, and Alex and Abby Poltras of Beverly, MA.

She was predeceased by her husband Oscar, and her daughter Lyla Poitras.

A graveside service will be held in the spring at St Louis Catholic Cemetery, Limestone, ME. Online condolences may be expressed at www.duncan-graves.com.

Death Notices

BARNETT II, Kenneth M., 56, Nov 26, 2015, Millinocket. Service Dec 2, 2015 at 11:30 at Millinocket Baptist Church.

BEAL, Harold Arnold "Skip", 55, Nov 20, 2015, Brewer. Service is at 1 p.m., Saturday, Dec 5, 2015 at the Family Reception Rooms of the Brewer Chapel of Brookings-Smith, 55 South Main Street, Brewer

BERNIER, Martha, 72, Nov 28, 2015, Limestone and Caribou. Giberson-Dorsey Funeral Home

BOWDEN, Elmer M. "Pat", 87, Nov 28, 2015, Dover-Foxcroft and Corinna. Service 2 PM, Saturday, Dec 5, 2015 at the Cornerstone Baptist Church, 1195 Stetson Road, in Exeter. Arrangements by Crosby & Neal, Corinna

CROSS, Brent, 58, Nov 26, 2015, Bangor. A Service will be held at 11am, Wednesday, December 2 at Bangor Baptist Church, 1476 Broadway Bangor, ME. Brookings-Smith Funeral Home, Bangor.

DAHLGREN, Maynard and Wanda, Pittsfield. Service 2 p.m., Saturday, December 5, 2015, at the Masonic Hall, 138 Hamilton Terrace, Pittsfield. Shorey-Nichols Funeral Home.

DAVIS, Anthony Stone Barnes, 34, Nov 26, 2015, Troy. Service is at 4 p.m., Wednesday, Dec 2, 2015 at Brookings-Smith, 133 Center Street, Bangor.

GAGNON JR., Richard, 51, Nov 28, 2015, Easton. Giberson-Dorsey Funeral Home.

OUELLETTE, Theresa, 86, Fort Kent, Nov 28, 2015. Daigle Funeral Home, Fort Kent

PARADIS, Maynard K., 88, Nov 29, 2015, Old Town. Service will be Wednesday 10am, Dec 2, 2015, at the Parish of the Resurrection of The Lord Holy Family, 429 Main St. Old Town, ME. Birmingham Funeral Home.

POITRAS, Joyce, Irene, 90, Nov 26, 2015, Limestone and Florida. Duncan Graves Funeral Home.

PRATT, Sydney A., 84, Nov 27, 2015, Bangor and Monson. Service will be held 12 PM, Saturday, Dec 5, 2015, at the Monson Community Church. Arrangements by Crosby & Neal, Guilford.

UPTON, Wayne Archie, 71, Nv 27, 2015, Monticello. Service at 11 a.m. Monday, Nov 30 at Dunn Funeral Home, 11 Park Street, Houlton, ME.

WORSTER, Shirley M., 75, Nov 27, 2015, Bangor and Prentiss. Service at 11am Monday at Clay Funeral Home, 7 Lee Road, Lincoln



HAROLD ARNOLD "SKIP" BEAL

BREWER - Harold Arnold "Skip" Beal, 55, of Brewer, died from cancer, November 20, 2015, passing peacefully at home in his wife's arms. Skip fought to live and continued to fight until he passed. He was born in Jonesport, January 3, 1960, the son of Harold F. and Alice Carrol (Emerson) Beal.

Skip proudly served in the US Army for 4 years, stationed in Germany. In his later years, he enjoyed reading, old history, and the show, House. Skip also loved going for rides, spending quiet nights at home, and had a love for all animals.

Skip is survived by his wife, Michele (Gray) Beal, of Brewer; son, Forrest Beal of Pembroke; daughter, Tiffany Levasseur and husband, Scott of Benton; stepson, Trai Boutillier and wife, Lauren of Brewer; 9 grandchildren, Dalton, Logan, Peyton, Brice, Anthony, Casey, Benjamin, Trai and Kaiden; great granddaughter, Jayla; sister, Lisa and her husband, Brian, of Pembroke; brothers, Glen and his wife, Bobbie Jo and Wade and his wife, Allison, all of Pembroke; aunts, Annette of Old Town, Jeanita of Addison, and Lois of Revere, MA; as well as several nieces, nephews and cousins. In addition to his parents, Skip was predeceased by his paternal grandparents, Harold and Phyllis Beal; maternal grandparents, Arnold and Elizabeth Emerson; and a brother, Rico Carver.

The family wishes to thank Hospice of Eastern Maine and Skip's aunt Annette Emerson for the care of Skip during his illness.

Relatives and friends are invited to share in conversation and refreshments 1-3 p.m., Saturday, December 5, 2015 at the Family Reception Rooms of the Brewer Chapel of Brookings-Smith, 55 South Main Street, Brewer. Those who wish to remember Skip in a special way may make gifts in his memory to Michele Beal, 14 Carter Lane, Brewer, ME 04412. Condolences to the family may be expressed at www.BrookingsSmith.com.



ANTHONY STONE BARNES DAVIS

TROY - Anthony Stone Barnes Davis, 34, of Troy, passed away unexpectedly at Eastern Maine Medical Center, November 26, 2015. He was born March 7, 1981.

Anthony lived in Troy with his girlfriend, Meagan Desveaux; dog, Dallas; and recently, as he "confessed to his mom", a new kitten. His best friend was his mother, Robin, who was his biggest fan. They spoke daily and were each other's confidante and cheerleader through thick and thin.

Anthony's last day on earth was Thanksgiving, which was his favorite holiday. He spent the day eating, talking and smiling with his mom and siblings. He was especially excited this year to spend time with his brand new baby nephew, Daxton. Anthony, who had a special place in his heart for his sisters and brothers, could not have been more excited to be an uncle to Daxton, and fell in love with him right away. He was always such a proud brother and uncle.

Anthony is survived by his mother, Robin Randall and husband, Adam Willette of Jonesport; sisters, Danielle Davis of Ellsworth, Ashley Willette of Plymouth, Taniele Quimby and her husband, Michael of Bangor, and Makenzie Davis of Palmyra; brothers, Reed Willette and Ryan Willette, both of Jonesport; his girlfriend, Meagan Desveaux; and his father figure, Walter Davis.

Relatives and friends are invited to call 3-4 p.m., Wednesday, December 2, 2015 at Brookings-Smith, 133 Center Street, Bangor, where a funeral service will be held at 4 p.m., with Pastor Kirk Winters of the Rock Church officiating. Condolences to the family may be expressed at www.BrookingsSmith.com.

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BRENT CROSS

BANGOR - Brent Cross, devoted husband, father, and son to his family, passed away at Mass General Hospital in Boston on Thanksgiving after a courageous battle with cancer. He was 58.

Though a well-known business and civic leader, Mr. Cross was most proud of his family - his wife Lori, who was by his side throughout his illness; and his children, Whitney, Brian, Woody, Alison and Emily. He enjoyed his quiet moments at Starbucks, the family time at Green Lake, dinners in Boston, golf at Penobscot Valley Country Club, endless time on the phone while driving in the car and going to lunch with his father.

Mr. Cross also became close to the team of doctors and medical staff at Mass General who offered the very best of themselves in his care including, Dr. Lori Wirth, Dr. Richard Hodin, Dr. Paul Busse, Dr. Ashok Muniappan and other members of the Lunder9 team.

Born and raised in Bangor, ME, Mr. Cross remained a resident of Bangor his entire life. He earned both his Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Business Administration from Husson University in Bangor, and later earned an Associate's Degree in Risk Management from the American Institute in Malvern, PA.

Mr. Cross served as the Executive Vice President of Cross Insurance, having begun his career with his family's firm in 1979. He supervised the expansion of agency offices over the past four decades from a single office to now more than 35 locations throughout New England. He also oversaw staff growth from five employees to more than 700 employees throughout the region. Mr. Cross was instrumental in facilitating partnerships with Boston sports franchises including the New England Patriots, Boston Red Sox and Boston Bruins.

After learning of his death, New England Patriots owner Robert Kraft, and his son, Jonathan, released a statement, remembering Mr. Cross as one of New England's "truly exceptional business people and marketers."

"For over a decade, we have admired his commitment to his clients, his family and his community," the Krafts said. "He was a brilliant strategic marketer and, along with his distinctive voice, helped drive the growth of the Cross Insurance brand throughout New England. We were honored to have known Brent and to have partnered with him. We extend our condolences to the entire Cross Family."

The Jacobs family, who own the Boston Bruins, expressed their condolences to the Cross family and noted how Mr. Cross "became a friendly face and a fixture at many games and events not only at the TD Garden, but in

Boston. He was a great colleague, business partner and friend. His presence will be missed by all of us."

Sam Kennedy, President of the Boston Red Sox, recalled that Mr. Cross' "love of the Red Sox and Fenway Park was legendary - and the love was mutual. We have lost a compassionate, genuine, sweet heart of a man."

While Mr. Cross was known and loved throughout New England, he remained deeply involved in the Bangor community where he served as an adjunct professor and member of the board of trustees at his alma mater, Husson University. For more than 20 years he instructed undergraduate students in insurance theory and practice.

He was inducted into the Husson Business Hall of Fame in 2005 and also served as a board member for the Associated General Contractors (AGC), First Light Health Systems; the Sports Museum; and was a member of the Francis Crowe Society. Mr. Cross was also founding president of the Bangor Breakfast Rotary and an award recipient from the Maine Chapter of the Chartered Property Casualty Underwriter (CPCU) group.

Predeceased by his mother Janet Loretta Cross, Mr. Cross is survived by his wife, Lori Cross; his father, Woodrow Cross; three daughters, Whitney Cross, Alison Cross and Emily Cross; two sons, Brian Cross and Woodrow Cross II; two brothers, Dennis Cross and Royce Cross; two sisters, Connie Guelich and Judy Olson; and many nieces and nephews.

Relatives and friends are welcome to call between 4 and 7 pm Tuesday, December 1, at Brookings-Smith, 133 Center Street, Bangor.

A funeral service will be held at 11am, Wednesday, December 2 at Bangor Baptist Church, 1476 Broadway Bangor, ME with the Reverend Russell "Pencil" Boone, Pastor of Student Ministries and the Reverend Dr. James L. Haddix, Pastor and Teacher of All Souls Congregational Church, Bangor officiating.

The family invites relatives and friends to share conversation and refreshment immediately following the service Wednesday.

Interment will be in Mount Hope Cemetery, Bangor.

Those who wish to remember Brent in a special way may make gifts in his memory to:

Husson University, the Brent Cross Scholarship Fund, Attn: Scholarships, One College Circle, Bangor, ME 04401 or The Joe Andruzzi Foundation, 200 Chauncy St., Suite 208 Mansfield, MA 02048 <https://tackling.joeandruzzifoundation.org/BrentCross>. Condolences to the family may be expressed at www.BrookingsSmith.com.

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