

# OBITUARIES



ROBERT P. IRVINE

OLD TOWN - Today I lost my best friend, my husband, my heart. He left before I could say goodbye or how much I truly loved him. I will say it now, "I will always, always love you." Till we meet again...Love Me.

Robert P. Irvine (Bob to all who knew him) sadly passed away, unexpectedly on January 15, 2016. He was born in Houlton, March 9, 1943 the son of George and Geneva (Gagnon) Irvine.

Bob joined the U.S. Army in 1961 graduating from the U. S. Army Aircraft Maintenance School Ft. Rucker, Alabama. After his enlistment he returned to Maine and joined the Maine Army National Guard Aviation Facility as a technician for 20 years. He then joined the Maine Forrest Service Aviation Dept. at the Old Town Airport retiring in 2007. He is survived by his loving wife, best friend and hunting buddy, Janna Marie Irvine of Old Town. The highlight and most memorable of their hunting trips was the 2015



PATRICIA A. (HUSSEY) GOULD

CLEARWATER, FL, and LAGRANGE - Patricia A. (Hussey) Gould, 70, passed away Jan. 15, 2016, in Clearwater, FL, with her loving daughter by her side. She was born March 25, 1945, in Milo, daughter of the late Cora and Bertrum Hussey. She graduated from Milo High School.

Patty was predeceased by her birth mother, Addie Ladd. She is survived by her loving husband, Ronald; son, Rodney and wife, Michelle Bryer, of Scarborough; daughter, Denise, whom she cherished, and husband, Alan Douglass, of Clearwater, FL; grandchildren: special granddaughter, Jessie Cote of Millinocket, Kyle Gero, U.S. Army, Brandon, Alex and Isabelle, of Scarborough; great-grandchildren, Mariah (mammies Cinderella) and Mason (mammies little buddy) Frost of Millinocket; sisters, Joyce Davis of Shirley Mills and Becky Reynolds of Steep Falls; and brother-in-law, Sam Gould and wife, Barb, of Berwick. She also leaves behind her dog, whom she loved very much, Princess Marie. A special thanks to Paula Buehler for all her help while Patty was in ME and once she moved to FL. Patty adored Paula!!

A memorial service will be held in June in Milo and announced at a later date.

VERNA PRESCOTT MACARTHUR

ISLAND FALLS - Verna Prescott MacArthur passed away in Patten on January 15, 2016. She was born May 26, 1919 in Crystal, ME to Iva and Ray C. Prescott, the oldest of 14 children.

She graduated as Salutatorian from Island Falls High School in 1936 and from Bay Path Institute in Springfield, MA in 1938. She worked for the Maine State Employment Service and the Civil Aeronautics Administration (Now FAA) in Alexandria, VA during WWII. She later transferred to the Veterans Administration at Togus.

In 1942 she married C. Keith MacArthur in Bath, ME and shortly thereafter moved to Island Falls to raise their 6 children, Norman of Brooks, Edwin and his wife Judie of Shin Pond, Dwight and his wife Barbara of Penfield, NY, Dwayne and his wife Sandy of Madison, Barry and his wife Ava of Crystal, and Karen and her husband Kerry of Patten. She was predeceased by her husband, C.K. in July of 1981.

Verna was a member of the United Baptist Church serving as choir member, church organist and Sunday school pianist. She served as President of the Katahdin Club, Vice President of the Senior Citizens Group, and President of the Women's Group at church. For 25 years she was a volunteer with the Retired Senior Volunteer Program in Southern Aroostook. In past years she and a good friend, Joe Coriveau, entertained with music in several nursing homes, hospitals, senior citizens clubs and high school reunions in the area. She received a certificate of appreciation from the Maine State Legislature honoring her for her volunteerism.

Verna, known as "GG," is survived by her six children, 12 adored grandchildren, and 25 precious great-grandchildren. She is also survived by her baby sister, Hil-da and her husband Albert Clukey; sisters-in-law, Susan Prescott and Jeanette Prescott; brother-in-law, Robert Mayer; and many nieces, nephews and cousins of whom she was always so proud. She was predeceased by her parents and 12 siblings.

Friends may call 10 to 11 a.m. on Saturday, January 23, 2016 at the Island Falls Baptist Church where funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. with the Rev. Ben Greene officiating. Spring interment will be in the Island Falls Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Building Fund at the United Baptist Church or to a charity of one's choice. For online condolences, please visit [www.bowersfuneral.com](http://www.bowersfuneral.com)



SHIRLEY V. CAMPBELL

SANGERVILLE - Shirley V. Campbell, 94, wife of the late Robert H. Campbell, passed away January 14, 2016, at Mayo Regional Hospital, surrounded by her loving family. She was born September 28, 1921, in Dexter, the daughter of Perry and Nellie (Thomas) Nelson.

Shirley married Robert Campbell in 1942 and lived in the Campbell Farm until her death. She enjoyed buying and selling furniture and antiques. She and Robert operated Campbell's Furniture Store in Dexter for many years. In later years, she devoted all of her time to what she loved best: harness racing, raising Charolais beef cattle, and her family. She had a generous heart and was always ready to lend a helping hand to those in need.

She was predeceased by her niece, Elizabeth Campbell Hunt, and her nephew, Bruce Campbell. She is survived by a son, Brian Campbell; a daughter, Betty Richardson and her husband, Earlon, all of Sangerville; three grandchildren, Scott Richardson and his wife, Lisa, Timothy Richardson and his wife, Lisa, all of Sangerville, and Katherine Dow and her husband, Troy, of Trenton. She also leaves seven great-grandchildren, Ryan, Michaela, Cassandra, and Courtney Richardson; and Gavin, Aidan, and Willa Dow. She leaves two great-grandchildren, Keagan and Parker Richardson. She was one of thirteen children and is survived by her brother, Perry D. Nelson of Dexter. She will be lovingly remembered by her special nieces, Susan Campbell, Janice Dore, Joyce Harvey, and Sandra Hooper, and a family friend, Craig Ashford. Shirley's family extends a special thank you to Care and Comfort, Heather, Connie, Lee-Ann, Raquel, Sarah, Ruth-Ann, and Barb for allowing us to keep her at home.

A memorial service will be conducted at 1 p.m. Thursday, January 21, 2016, at the Dover-Foxcroft United Methodist Church, with Pastor Mark Stevens officiating. In lieu of flowers, please carry on Shirley's generous spirit by paying her kindness forward to others. Spring burial will be in the family lot in Knowlton's Mills Cemetery. Arrangements are in the care of the Lary Funeral Home. Condolences and memories may be expressed at [www.laryfuneralhome.com](http://www.laryfuneralhome.com).

# Martin Luther King Jr. events

BANGOR — Community Partnerships for Protecting Children is partnering with Bangor Housing Authority, Boys and Girls Club of Bangor, AmeriCorps, Eastern Maine Development Corp, Youth Move Maine, Literacy Volunteers of Bangor and Spruce Run-Womancare Alliance for an afternoon of activities for families throughout the region 1-4 p.m. Monday, Jan. 18, at Davis Road Community Center, 161 Davis Road. Children in kindergarten through grade five are invited to share the vision and spirit of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. through a series of guided activities, including a read-aloud and discussion of "The Name Jar," a craft table, an international cuisine experience and a physical activity with Strong Mind-Strong Body Inc. An adult must accompany all children. Keynote speaker will be Mary Hunter of Bangor, who will share memories of growing up in Georgia in the 1920s and 1930s.

BANGOR — The Maine Human Rights Coalition will hold a Martin Luther King Jr. candlelight vigil 6-7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 18, at Unitarian Universalist Church, 120 Park St. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Nathan Carey will light the vigil candle. There will be reflections on the treatment of African Americans in the United States, and coalition President James Varner will read from King's work. Free to the public. For information, call Varner at 827-4493.

BELFAST — The annual Martin Luther King candlelight walk and community celebration will be held at 4:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 18, starting at the post office and proceeding to the First Church Parish House for a gathering with music, readings from MLK's work and a community speak out to continue the struggle for racial justice. The event is sponsored by Waldo County Peace and Justice. For information, call 338-5089.

BRUNSWICK — The Brunswick community will gather 5-7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 18, at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 15 Pleasant St., for the fifth annual Martin Luther King Jr. Day pasta supper to raise funds for the Mid Coast Hunger Prevention Program. The nonpartisan event is organized as a public service by the Brunswick Democratic Town Committee. The pasta supper, which includes the option of gluten-free noodles, will feature homemade meat and vegetarian sauces, focaccia bread, salad, desserts and coffee. Adults are encouraged to make a donation of \$10 per person, and children under the age of 10 are welcome to eat at no cost. All proceeds from the event

will benefit MCHPP, which provides assistance to at least 1,200 families in need each year. Featured speaker Fatuma Hussein of Auburn will make brief remarks about her work with refugee women from Africa. Now executive director of United Somali Women of Maine, Hussein lived in Somalia, Kenya, and Atlanta, Georgia, before she arrived in Maine in 2001. Karen Parker, Mid Coast Hunger Prevention Program executive director, will provide a short overview of the programs her organization operates for the benefit of residents of Bowdoin, Bowdoinham, Brunswick, Durham, Harpswell, Lisbon and Topsham. Parking is available on Middle Street, Pleasant Street, Town Hall Place, or in the lot of Curtis Memorial Library. For information call 729-6327.

BRUNSWICK — Children's book author Rohan Henry will read from his new work, "The Perfect Garden," and songwriter Josephine Cameron will participate in a program of storytelling, music and crafts for children 5 and older in remembrance of Martin Luther King Jr. The Children's Celebration of Martin Luther King Jr. will be held 10:30 a.m.-noon Monday, Jan. 18, at Bowdoin College's Thorne Hall, Daggett Lounge. Refreshments will be served. Admission is free. Check [www.bowdoin.edu](http://www.bowdoin.edu), for event information in case of inclement weather, or call 725-3000 and select option 3.

LEWISTON — Bates College's 2016 observance of Martin Luther King Jr. will offer workshops, panel discussions, films and other activities around the theme of "Mass Incarceration and Black Citizenship." A highlight of the Bates observance is an appearance by William Jelani Cobb, a nationally known commentator on race, politics, culture and history, who will give the keynote address at 9 a.m. Monday, Jan. 18, at the Peter J. Gomes Chapel. (The address will be livestreamed.) Other events that day include two concurrent workshops exploring race, law, justice and reform; a debate between students from Bates and Morehouse colleges at 3:45 p.m. in Olin Concert Hall; and a 7:30 p.m. performance by the student group Sankofa, which uses dance, music, spoken word and more to explore stories of the African diaspora. For information, call 786-6400 or visit [www.bates.edu/mlk/](http://www.bates.edu/mlk/), which also has a full schedule of events.

ORONO — The 2016 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Breakfast Celebration co-sponsored by the Greater Bangor NAACP

and the University of Maine will be held 8:30-10:30 a.m. Monday, Jan. 18, in the Wells Conference Center, University of Maine. The family-friendly breakfast will feature food, music, a peace writing prize recognition and keynote address by Alison Beyea, executive director of the American Civil Liberties Union of Maine. Tickets are \$25, \$12.50 for children 12 and under and free to students with a MaineCard. Senior citizens and veterans are eligible for a 10 percent discount. Registration is required. For information or to request a disability accommodation, email [MunaAbdullahi@maine.edu](mailto:MunaAbdullahi@maine.edu) or call 581-1437.

ROCKLAND — "Mighty Times: The Children's March," a 2004 Academy Award-winning documentary about the civil rights movement, will be shown at 1 p.m. Monday, Jan. 18, at the Strand Theatre, 345 Main St. The Children's March reveals a chapter in the civil rights movement that focuses on more than 4,000 black schoolchildren who deserted classrooms in Birmingham, Alabama, on May 2, 1963, touching off a week of mass demonstrations and rioting that shocked the nation and rocked the world. On that day, the children of Birmingham flooded the city's streets — and the city's jail — to challenge segregation. Created by the Southern Poverty Law Center, the film documents the contributions and courage of young people working for racial justice. The film is not rated. Running time is 40 minutes. Admission to the screening is free. For information, visit [rocklandstrand.com](http://rocklandstrand.com); call 594-0070, ext. 3; or email [info@rocklandstrand.com](mailto:info@rocklandstrand.com).

WATERVILLE — Colby College will commemorate the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. with public events and community service opportunities, including a keynote address at 3 p.m. Monday, Jan. 18, in Ostrove Auditorium, Diamond Building. Nell Irvin Painter, Edwards Professor of American History, emerita, at Princeton University and a leading historian of the United States, will present "A History of White People: A Conversation about Race Relations." Among other events is a day of community service through the InterAct program, open to students and community members, Saturday, Jan. 23. The day will conclude with the Drum Major of Justice Awards dinner. Colby campus members who have demonstrated a commitment to social justice will be recognized. For information, call the dean of students, office of diversity, inclusion and equality programs at 859-4250.

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