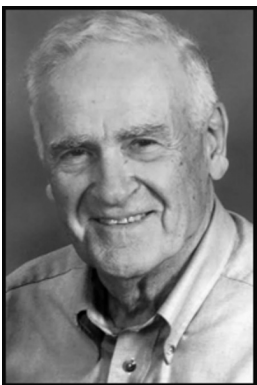


OBITUARIES



FRANK JOSEPH RIPOSTA

PUNTA GORDA, FL AND BELFAST - Frank Joseph Riposta, 85 of Punta Gorda, Florida, passed away February 28, 2016 in Belfast, Maine. He was born in Kearny, New Jersey on March 13, 1930.

Frank grew up in Kearny, graduating from Kearny High School in 1948. He attended Stevens Tech in Newark. On July 21, 1951 he married Katherine Bishop, of Millinocket, Maine. Frank was drafted into the U.S. Army on the day of his wedding rehearsal and served in Korea. He was discharged in 1953 and went to work for engineering companies in design/drafting. He and Katherine had a daughter and two sons; they lived in Union, NJ. After a tragic fire took the life of their youngest son, Andrew, they moved to Morris County with their daughter Virginia and son Mark. Raising their family in Chatham Township, they were active in Long Hill Chapel where Frank served as Sunday School Superintendent. Frank took great pleasure in having his children memorize Bible verses to guide their life. He loved church worship, Bible study and service to others. Upon retirement, from work in New Jersey, Frank and Katherine tried life in Maine for a few years to be near their son and his family, but winters convinced them to retire to Florida. Since 1994, their home was in Punta Gorda, Florida. Active in retirement, Frank enjoyed biking, walking, reading, did magic for senior citizens and youth groups, provided hospitality to foreign teachers and students, gave 1500 hours of service as a volunteer at Bayfront Hospital, assisted chaplains in visiting local prisons, and with Katherine, was an active member in Grace Presbyterian church.

Frank was predeceased by two sisters, Phyllis Russo, and Virginia Pietoso; his brothers, Joseph, Sammie, Jerry, and Louis. Frank is survived by his loving wife of 64 years, Katherine (Bishop) Riposta. He was especially proud of his children, Dr. Virginia R. Heslinga and husband Rev. Dr. Jerry Heslinga, of Ashland, VA, and Mark Riposta and wife Pamela of Belfast, Maine; his grandchildren, Joshua Heslinga and wife Christine of Montpelier, VA, Joy Heslinga of Rhode Island, Katherine Riposta and husband Jojo Oliphant of Belfast, Maine, Andrew Riposta of Port St. Lucie, Florida, and Kimberly Riposta and Allen Weaver of Belfast, Maine. He also has three great-grandchildren, Eleanor and Audrey Heslinga of Montpelier, VA, and Mya Oliphant of Belfast, Maine; as well as many beloved nieces and nephews.

Friends and family are invited to call from 2-4 p.m. with a service at 4 p.m. on Wednesday, March 2nd at Riposta Funeral Home, 182 Waldo Avenue, Belfast. Memories and condolences may be offered to the family at www.ripostaffh.com. With thanks for their great care for Frank, those who wish may make donations in Frank's name to Waldo County Home Health & Hospice, PO Box 407, Belfast, ME 04915.

ELAINE G. HARTLEY

BANGOR AND SEBEC LAKE - After a brief illness, Elaine G. Hartley passed peacefully from this world on Febrary 21 at the home of her son, surrounded by family. She is deeply missed by her daughter, Jennifer Hartley, of Portland, OR, and son, daughter-in-law, and grandchildren, Richard, Nina, Tessa, and Jed Hartley of Holden. A memorial will be held this summer at Sebec Lake. Those who wish may donate in her memory to children with disabilities through "Stand With Me" @ www.standwithme.org



MARJORIE NEAL BROWN

THE VILLAGES - Marjorie Neal Brown, aged 88, died peacefully on February 28, 2016 at the Lane Purcell Hospice House, a Cornerstone Hospice and Palliative Care Facility in Sumterville, Florida. Marjorie lived in Brewer, Maine with her husband, Philip L. Brown, for 53 years. Born on September 28, 1927 in Eaton, Maine, she was the daughter of Leonard and Clemmie (Kinney) Neal.

As a premature infant, Marjorie spent the first week of her life wrapped in cotton baton and placed in a shoe box behind the wood stove in the kitchen for warmth. She graduated from high school at Houghton Academy, Houghton, NY and attended college there. She studied at the Eastern Academy of Beauty Culture in Bangor, ME and was a licensed beautician. In 1990, after 25 years of service as the secretary for the office of Dr. Sidney Chason of Bangor, Marjorie retired. Until 2014, Marjorie lived at the Ellen Leach Memorial Home in Brewer so that she could be near her son, Kevin. For the last two years of her life, Marjorie lived with her daughter and son-in-law, Ellen and Toby Youngs, in The Villages, FL. To celebrate her life, her grandchildren are spending their time baking cookies and pies using "Grammie Brown's" famous recipes and posting their favorite photos of her on Facebook. One of Marjorie's greatest adventures was, at the age of 82, traveling to Thailand with Rita Youngs and Ellen and Toby Youngs. She was taken by surprise when an elephant lifted her off her feet with its trunk. The great-grandchildren love the shocked look on her face in the photo.

She was predeceased by her husband, Philip L. Brown; parents, Leonard and Clemmie Neal; brothers, Randall and Richard Neal; sister, Ellen Barnett and her husband, Ralph Barnett; and her infant daughter, Karen. She is survived by her son, Kevin Brown and his partner, Bruce O'Donnell, of Waterville, ME; her daughter, Ellen Youngs and son-in-law, Toby Youngs, of The Villages, FL; grandchildren Jamison Brown and his wife, Ashley, Kristen Soule and her husband, Christopher, Karen Youngs, Julie Hicks and her husband, Timothy, Debra Youngs Junkoon, and Christian Youngs; great-grandchildren, Noah Hicks, Micah Hicks, Elijah Hicks, and Marjorie Junkoon.

A memorial service is planned for a later date followed by burial at the Eaton Cemetery, Eaton, ME.



WILBUR L. WATSON

HERMON - Wilbur L. Watson, 71, died peacefully February 27, 2016 at a Bangor Hospital following an extended illness. He was born August 13, 1944 in Abilene, TX, son of Wilbur Wade and Ruth Emily (Swazey) Watson.

He was employed for 32 years at the Bangor International Airport. Wilbur enjoyed photography and Nascar racing.

Surviving are his wife, Sharron Watson; three children, Yvette Shinkle, Wilbur S. Watson and Heather Watson; two step-children, John Armitage and Karen Sperry; seven grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; one sister, Margo Mallory and one brother, Gary Watson.

In keeping with Wilbur's request, services and interment will be private. A service of Brookings-Smith, Bangor.

Death Notices

ALLEN, Harold Arthur, Belfast. Service 2 p.m. Saturday, March 5, 2016 at Kingdom Hall for Jehovah's Witnesses, 353 Belmont Ave., Belfast. Riposta Funeral Home, 182 Waldo Ave., Belfast.

BROWN, Malcolm E., 83, Mapleton, Feb. 28, 2016. Service 2 p.m. Saturday, May 21, 2016 at Southside Cemetery in Mapleton. Duncan-Graves Funeral Home.

BROWN, Marjorie Neal, 88, The Villages, FL; at Sumterville, FL, Feb. 28, 2016.

CARPENTER, Henry David, Carmel; at Carmel, Feb. 26, 2016.

DAIGLE, Armand, 79, Fort Kent; at Van Buren, Feb. 27, 2016. Service 11 a.m. Thursday, March 3, 2016 at the St. Louis Catholic Church, Fort Kent. Daigle Funeral Home, Fort Kent.

DYER SR., Gary Wayne, 74, Mars Hill; at Mars Hill, Feb. 28, 2016. Service 10 a.m. Thursday, March 3, 2016 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Parish of the Precious Blood, Mars Hill. Duncan-Graves Funeral Home.

FAIRBROTHER, James (Jim), Frankfort; at Bangor, Feb. 25, 2016. Service 11 a.m. Saturday, March 5, 2016 at Frankfort Congregational Church, Main St., Frankfort.

FRAZIER, Robert Raymond, 69, Gorham, Feb. 25, 2016. Dolby and Dorr Funeral Chapel, Gorham.

GRANT, Robert A., 57, Brewer; at Bangor, Feb. 28, 2016. Memorial Alternatives.

HARTLEY, Elaine G., Bangor & Sebec Lake, Feb. 21, 2016.

LEVESQUE, Robert L., 69, Fort Fairfield; at Fort Fairfield, Feb. 28, 2016. Service 10 a.m. Thursday, May 5, 2016 at St. Denis Catholic Cemetery, Fort Fairfield. Giberson-Dorsey Funeral Home, 144 Main St., Fort Fairfield.

LISCOMB, Elizabeth "Betty" A., 50, Bar Harbor; at Bar Harbor, Feb. 27, 2016. Jordan-Fernald, 1139 Main St., Mt. Desert.

PHILIO, David R., 67, Gouldsboro; at Gouldsboro, Feb. 28, 2016. Jordan-Fernald, 113 Franklin St., Ellsworth.

RIPOSTA, Frank Joseph, 85, Punta Gorda, FL and Belfast; at Belfast, Feb. 28, 2016. Service 4 p.m. Wednesday, March 2, 2016 at Riposta Funeral Home, 182 Waldo Ave., Belfast.

SMITH, William "Bill" J., 90, Corinth, Feb. 27, 2016. Service 1 p.m. Thursday, March 3, 2016 at Brookings-Smith, 133 Center St., Bangor.

SPRINGER JR., George Ellis, 75, Bucksport, Feb. 26, 2016. Service 3 p.m. Sunday, March 6, 2016 at the Bucksport Bible Church on Central Street in Bucksport.

SWIMM, Dale P., 69, Monticello; at Presque Isle, Feb. 28, 2016. Dunn Funeral Home, 11 Park St., Houlton.

TETREAULT, Frank Edward, 94, Hudson, at Bangor, Feb. 27, 2016. Service 11 a.m. Tuesday, March 1, 2016 at Brookings-Smith, 133 Center St., Bangor.

WATSON, Wilbur L., 71, Hermon; at Bangor, Feb. 27, 2016. Brookings-Smith, 133 Center St., Bangor.

WORSTER, Keith E., 67, Burlington; at Lincoln, Feb. 27, 2016. Clay Funeral Home, 7 Lee Rd., Lincoln



GARY WAYNE DYER, SR.

MARS HILL - Gary Wayne Dyer, Sr., 74, passed away peacefully on February 28, 2016 at the Aroostook Health Center, Mars Hill, after a courageous battle with cancer. He was born February 19, 1942 in E. Plantation, the son of the late Frank "Bud" and Martha (Crouse) Hallett, and biological father Winslow Dyer.

Gary graduated from ACI class of 1960. He married his high school sweetheart Geraldine Tweedie Dyer on May 7, 1960. Gary was employed by Coca-Cola Company, LePage Bakeries, Mars Hill Shippers and in his later years was a self-employed carpenter. Gary enjoyed his yearly trip to the Allagash which he did for 31 years spending much quality time with close friends at the Jalbert Camps. He also enjoyed his camp in E. Plantation. His greatest happiness was spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren and great grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife Geraldine of Mars Hill, daughter Gayle and Fred Gagnon, sons Gary, Jr. and Lori Dyer, Gregory and Heidi Dyer, and Geoffrey and Margo Dyer. Grandchildren Matt and Chantal Pelletier, Garrett and Megan Dyer, Erika Dyer, Lee Gagnon and Rebecca Grass, Haleigh Dyer and Greg Schools, Emily Dyer, Andrew Dyer, Annaliese Dyer, and Regina Dyer. Four great grandson who were the apples of his eye and would make his face light up when they came to see him, Zachary Pelletier, Mason Pelletier, Bently Simpson, and Jack Schools. Siblings Frank and Pam Hallett, Debbie and Jim Alexander.

Brothers' in law, Jim Tweedie, Bob and Joan Tweedie. Sisters' in law, Eleanor Grow, and Mary Ann Buck. Dear and faithful friends Norm and Liz McPherson, Donnie and Connie Rideout, and a special cousin, Bruce Dyer.

In addition to his parents, Gary was predeceased by his father and mother in law; Gordon and Anne Tweedie and granddaughter Victoria Rose Dyer.

The family wishes to thank everyone who showed excellent and compassionate care to Gary during his illness including Dr. Nancy O'Neil and staff at the Mars Hill Heath Center, Dr. Sood and staff of the Oncology department at The Aroostook Medical Center in Presque Isle, and the staff at The Aroostook Health Center, Skilled Unit in Mars Hill.

Friends may call 7-9 PM, Wednesday, March 2, 2016 at Duncan Funeral Home, 8 Main Street, Mars Hill. A Mass of Christian burial will be celebrated at 10 AM, Thursday, March 3, 2016 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Parish of the Precious Blood, Mars Hill with The Very Rev. Jean Paul LaBrie, Celebrant. The family invites relatives and friends to share conversations and refreshments at a reception following the Mass in the Parish Hall. Spring interment will be held at Kings Grove Cemetery, Mars Hill. Those wishing to remember Gary in a special way may make gifts in his memory to The Aroostook House of Comfort, PO Box 867, Presque Isle, ME 04769. Condolences to the family may be expressed at www.duncan-graves.com.



ARMAND DAIGLE

FORT KENT - Armand Daigle, 79, passed away peacefully on February 27, 2016 at Border View Nursing Home in Van Buren. Armand was born in Daigle on September 23, 1936 the son of Alcide and Emma Daigle.

He farmed and trucked most of his life. He served in the US Army. He was predeceased by his beloved wife Huguette Daigle in 2015. They spent several winters in Florida, which they both enjoyed very much, and spent summers at their cottage in Lac Baker, enjoying family and friends. They both enjoyed playing cards, and dancing. He will be dearly missed by his family and friends.

He is survived by his son, Brian and his wife Leona of Boynton Beach, Florida; his daughter, Sharon Daigle Gerrish and her husband William "Bill" Gerrish of Caribou, Me.; two grandchildren whom Armand treasured and adored, Brianna Gerrish and Oliver Gerrish, both of Caribou; his brother, Norman Daigle of Daigle, Delia LeSieur of Saco, and Rita Courtois of Biddeford, and by many nieces, nephews and cousins.

In addition to his parents and wife, Armand was predeceased by three brothers, Rosaire, Claude, and Clarence.

Friends may call Thursday, March 3, 2016 8:30 am until time of service at the Daigle Funeral Home, Fort Kent.

A Mass of Christian burial with full military honors will be celebrated 11 am Thursday at the St. Louis Catholic Church, Fort Kent. Spring interment will be held in the Holy Family Cemetery in Daigle.

Those who wish in Armand's memory may donate to the New Canada Community Center, Memorial Fund, 1809 Caribou Rd, New Canada, Me. 04743. Envelopes are available at the funeral home.



ROBERT A. GRANT

BREWER - Robert A. Grant, 57, died after a brief illness February 28, 2016, at a Bangor hospital. He was born April 14, 1958, in Dover -Foxcroft, the son of Harland and Lee (Thayer) Grant.

Since he had enough of school by the time he reached the tenth grade, Bobby worked in shoe shops before he began his career as a cook, working in local restaurants. He spent the last 21 years at Geaghan's in Bangor, a place he loved and where he was loved by them. In his spare time, Bobby enjoyed working on jigsaw puzzles and video games. He loved going fishing, and watching baseball and football. He was a Peyton Manning fan and a New York Yankees fan. In spite of that, he was a great Dad.

In addition to his parents, Bobby was predeceased by two brothers, Richard and David. He is survived by sons Timothy Wittmann, Joshua Grant, Jeremy Grant; and daughters Louanna Masse and Felicia Grant; grandchildren Alexis, Matthew, and Jase Wittmann; siblings Wayne Elston and wife Linda; Rose Aubrey; James Grant and wife Susan, Ricky Grant and wife Ella; his girlfriend, Patty Penney; and many nieces and nephews.

Graveside services will be held this summer. Condolences to the family may be expressed at Memorial-Alternatives.com.



MALCOLM E. BROWN

MAPLETON - Malcolm E. Brown, 83, passed away Sunday, February 28, 2016 at home following a short illness. Malcolm was born November 18, 1932 in Mapleton, the son of Coleman and Madeline (Maynard) Brown.

He graduated in 1950 from Mapleton High School and the University of Maine in 1952. He farmed 35 years in Mapleton and served in the Maine National Guard from 1955-1964.

Malcolm served on the Mapleton Planning Board for several years, also the Maine Potato Council and the Agway Store Committee. He served a term on the National Potato Board (1983-86). He worked as a crop consultant for Agway for 3 years then went to work for the University of Maine at the Aroostook Research Farm. He retired as Superintendent of the farm in 2001.

He had great memories of the past 60 years of times spent at the hunting camp at McKeen Crossing with some very special friends.

He is survived by his wife of nearly 62 years, Claudene (Lint) Brown; his son, Timothy and his children Cole, Shea, Jessie and Haddee; nieces, Carol Flynn (Brian), Candy Weymouth (Terry) and nephew, Marc Brown (Glenda).

He was predeceased by his parents; his brother, Coleman; and sister-in-law, Margaret.

A graveside service will be held on Saturday, May 21, 2016 at 2pm at Southside Cemetery in Mapleton. A reception will follow services at the Chapman Ridge Runners Snowmobile Club. Contributions in his memory may be made to Aroostook House of Comfort, P.O. Box 867, Presque Isle, ME 04769. Memories and condolences may be expressed at www.duncan-graves.com



JAMES (JIM) FAIRBROTHER

FRANKFORT - James (Jim) Fairbrother of Frankfort, ME was born in Belfast on March 29, 1934 to James and Jessie (Frazier) Fairbrother. He died on February 25, 2016 in Bangor.

Jim was a first-rate welder. He was a well-respected, hard-working man who loved his family and friends.

He is survived by his children, Michael Frost and his wife Joy, Vicki Johnson and her husband Roger, Julie (Fairbrother) Otting, brother Ellery Fairbrother and his wife Laura; sisters, Ruby Laskey and Lois Browne and her husband Bill; 7 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents he was predeceased by his wife, Jan; brothers, Joe, Marvin, Percy; and sister, Kathy-Susan.

A memorial service will be held Saturday March 5, 2016 at 11:00am at the Frankfort Congregational Church, Main St.

HENRY DAVID CARPENTER

CARMELO - Henry completed his earthly journey February 26, 2016 at home.

Family and friends will mourn his void from our lives. We shall have the memories of his laugh, helping hands and the warmth of his bear hugs.

He chose cremation with no memorial/funeral services. The family wishes comfort to all that mourn his loss.

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