

OBITUARIES



P. HAROLD ALBAIR

CARIBOU - P. Harold Albair, 91, well known Caribou businessman, passed away May 4, 2016, in Caribou, with his loving family by his side. He was born in Caribou, July 27, 1924, the son of the late Edward and Louise (Soucy) Albair.

Mr. Albair attended Caribou schools and in his younger years was an avid skater. Following his graduation from the engineering school at the University of Maine at Orono, he worked for the Army Corps of Engineers at Loring Air Force Base. He later opened Albair's Hardware and Servisoft, a water treatment business in Caribou, and raised his nine children while attending to his two businesses. Harold married Elizabeth Pelletier, October 1, 1946, and together they enjoyed nearly 70 years of marriage. He was a lifetime member of the Holy Rosary Catholic Church and for over 45 years was a member of the Caribou Lions Club. Mr. Albair was an active member of his community serving on many boards and committees over the years, including the board of the SBA, as well as the board for Blue Cross and Blue Shield. Harold was a lifelong resident of Caribou, but also enjoyed spending winters in Boynton Beach, Florida, as well as spending time with his family and friends at his Cross Lake camp.

He will always be remembered as an honest and loving family man and will be truly missed by his wife, Elizabeth, his eight children, their spouses and significant others, and well as his many grandchildren and great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews. Mr. Albair was predeceased by a daughter, Connie; and two brothers, Gilman and Bernard.

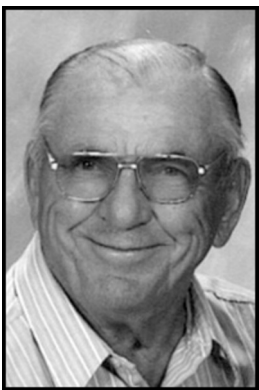
Friends may visit with the family 1-3 p.m. Sunday, May 8, 2016, at the Mockler Funeral Home, 24 Reservoir Street, Caribou. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated 9 a.m. Monday, May 9, 2016, from the Parish of the Precious Blood, Holy Rosary Catholic Church. Interment will be in the New Holy Rosary Cemetery. Friends who wish to contribute in memory of Mr. Albair may do so through the Make a Wish Foundation, Caribou or Life Flight of Maine. The family would like to extend a special thank you to the wonderful, caring staff at Caribou Rehab and Nursing as well as Dr. Flynn for making Harold's last days most comfortable. www.mocklerfuneralhome.com

ARTHUR T. LARSON

BROWNVILLE - Arthur T. Larson, 95, well known dairy farmer from Brownville, passed away May 4, 2016, at Hibbard Nursing Home, Dover-Foxcroft. He was born at the family farm in Brownville, October 27, 1920, the son of Peter and Helena (Jacobson) Larson. Arthur was married to Arlene (Lovejoy) Larson for 72 years and together they raised four children.

He is survived by his four children, Lorna Melonson of Florida, David Larson and his wife, Dorothy, of Milo, Rita Larlee and her husband, Eugene, of Millinocket and James Larson and his wife, Susan, of Milo; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Arthur was predeceased by his parents; his wife; three brothers, Einar, Albion and Carl Larson; two sisters, Esther Larson and Mildred Boehne; two grandsons, Alan Avery and Andrew Larson; and a son-in-law, George Melonson.

Friends and family are invited to call from 10 a.m. until time of memorial service at 11 a.m. Tuesday, May 10, 2016, at the Lary Funeral Home, Milo. Burial will be in the family lot in Evergreen Cemetery, Milo. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Milo Food Cupboard, P.O. Box 116, Milo, ME 04463. Condolences may be expressed at www.laryfuneralhome.com.



MICHAEL SKONIECZNY

CARIBOU - Michael Skonieczny, 89, well known area farmer and potato grower, passed away May 2, 2016. He was born in Bridgehampton, NY, October 1926, the son of the late Michael J. and Eva (Mezynieski) Skonieczny.

He was a graduate of Bridgehampton High School and married Theresa Hodorukavich, November 25, 1951. Michael was a self-employed farmer and seed grower, having farmed on the East Presque Isle Road for many years. He was a devoted member of the Holy Rosary Catholic Church and a former member of the Caribou Lions Club.

Surviving in addition to his wife of over 64 years, Theresa, are his son, Stephen Skonieczny and Karen Kirchner of Caribou; daughters and sons-in-law, Lorraine and Steven Wilson, Janis and Carl Gallagher, all of Caribou, Karen and Jeffrey Perkins of Mapleton; a sister, Rea Falkowski of Bridgehampton, NY; six grandchildren, Carrie Ann Winslow, Chris Wilson, Michael and Nicholas Libby, Ryan and Kyle St. Peter; six great-grandchildren, Malacki and Kendzie Winslow, Landen and Lillianah Wilson, Arya and Arthur Libby; many beloved nieces and nephews. Mr. Skonieczny was predeceased by brothers, John and Jerry; and sisters, Jean, Hattie and Mary.

Friends may call at the Mockler Funeral Home, 24 Reservoir Street, from 6-8 p.m. Friday. A Mass of Christian burial will be celebrated 11 a.m. Saturday, May 7, 2016, from the Parish of the Precious Blood Holy Rosary Catholic Church. Interment will be in the New Holy Rosary Cemetery, Caribou. Following the services all are invited to a time of continued fellowship and refreshments at the parish hall. Friends who wish to contribute in Michael's memory may do so through the Holy Rosary Catholic Church Memorial Fund. www.mocklerfuneralhome.com



ROBERT E. JAY

MILO - Robert E. Jay, 87, husband of Frances (Graham) Jay, passed away peacefully May 4, 2016, at St. Joseph Hospital, Bangor. He was born March 2, 1929, in Houlton, the son of Sylvester I. and Margaret M. (Myshraill) Jay. Robert worked as a clerk for the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad for many years. He was a member of the J.P. Chaisson American Legion Post 41 and the Sts. Francis Xavier and Paul the Apostle Catholic Church.

In addition to his loving wife of 65 years, Frances, he is survived by his son, Alan Jay and his wife, Barbara, of Milo; his daughter, Sonya Nesbitt and her husband, Malcolm, of Hodgdon; five grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. Robert was predeceased by a granddaughter.

A graveside memorial service with military honors will be conducted 2 p.m. Saturday, May 21, 2016, at the Evergreen Cemetery, Milo. After the graveside service friends and family are invited to a reception at the J.P. Chaisson American Legion Post 41, Milo. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the J.P. Chaisson American Legion Post 41, P.O. Box 177, Milo, ME 04463. Arrangements are in the care of the Lary Funeral Home, Milo. Condolences may be expressed at www.laryfuneralhome.com.

Death Notices

ALBAIR, P. Harold, 91, Caribou; at Caribou, May 4, 2016. Service 9 a.m. Monday, May 9, at Parish of the Precious Blood, Holy Rosary Catholic Church. Mockler Funeral Home, 24 Reservoir St., Caribou.

ASHMORE, Austin Wayne, Orland. Service 4 p.m. Saturday, May 7, at 340 Castine Road, Orland.

BENNETT, Elaine R., 93, Fryeburg, May 1, 2016. Direct Cremation of Maine, 182 Waldo Ave., Belfast.

COYNE, James Darrell, 87, Hampden; at South Portland, Dec. 25th, 2015. Service 1:30 p.m. Saturday, May 7, at Preble residence, 18 Hamel Ave., Hampden.

GRAY, Welsey Francis, Orono; at Bangor, Dec. 24, 2015. Service 10 a.m. Friday, May 6, at the Resurrection of the Lord, Holy Family Parish, 429 Main St., Old Town. Brookings-Smith, 133 Center St., Bangor.

GUERRETTE, Hilda, 85, Fort Kent, May 2, 2016. Service 11 a.m. Wednesday, May 11, at St. Charles Catholic Church, St. Francis. Daigle Funeral Home, Fort Kent.

HENDERSON, Mary Anne, 78, Bangor; at Bangor, May 2, 2016.

JAY, Robert E., 87, Milo; at Bangor, May 4, 2016. Service 2 p.m. Saturday, May 21, at Evergreen Cemetery, Milo. Lary Funeral Home, Milo.

LARSON, Arthur T., 95, Brownville; at Brownville, May 4, 2016. Service 11 a.m. Tuesday, May 10, at Lary Funeral Home, Milo.

MARQUIS, Freda, 92, Fort Kent, Dec. 12, 2015. Service 11 a.m. Saturday, May 7, at Daigle Funeral Home, 14 East Main St., Fort Kent.

MARSTON, Dale W. Jr., 77, Lee and Enfield, May 3, 2016. Service 10 a.m. Monday, May 9, at Woodland Cemetery, Lee.

MELIDONES, Michael Williams, 62, Bangor; at Bangor, May 4, 2016. Brookings-Smith, 133 Center St., Bangor.

MOORE, Durrell, 89, Gouldsboro; at Ellsworth, May 2, 2016. Bragdon-Kelley, Ellsworth.

OXTON, Penny D., 53, Belmont; at Belmont, May 4, 2016. Service 11:30 a.m. Saturday, May 7, at Pease Yard, Belmont. Riposta Funeral Home, 182 Waldo Ave., Belfast.

POKONEY, Charles J. Jr., 77, Franklin, May 1, 2016. Direct Cremation of Maine, 182 Waldo Ave., Belfast.

SKONIECZNY, Michael, 89, Caribou, May 2, 2016. Service 11 a.m. Saturday, May 7, at Parish of the Precious Blood Holy Rosary Catholic Church. Mockler Funeral Home, 24 Reservoir St., Caribou.

SMITH, Richard D. Jr., 74, Bangor; at Bangor, April 30, 2016. Service 11 a.m. Friday, May 6, at St. Paul the Apostle Parish, St. John's Catholic Church, 207 York St., Bangor. Brookings-Smith, 133 Center St., Bangor.

WHEELER, Donald R., 78, Trenton, April 28, 2016. Direct Cremation of Maine, 182 Waldo Ave., Belfast.

MARY ANNE HENDERSON

BANGOR - Mary Anne Henderson, 78, died May 2, 2016, at a Bangor hospital. She was born June 16, 1937, in Lewiston, Maine. She was the eldest daughter of the late John and Noella (Wright) O'Connor.

Mary Anne was a graduate of Cathedral High School, St. Joseph's College and received her master's degree in 1971 from the University of Maine at Orono. As an educator, she taught English at Clinton High School, Traip Academy, and Milo High School. From 1968-1991 she was the library director at Bangor High School.

After she retired from the Bangor School Dept, she worked at Bangor Christian Schools and the Dyer Library is Saco. She and her husband Owen spent their summers at their cottage on Schoodic Lake with family and friends. Those years were also busy with volunteer endeavors at EMMC and Bansco FCU in Bangor. In June 1995, three years after Owen's death, she moved to Saco, Maine. While in Saco, she was active with the foster grandparent program in the local schools and as a family friend at St. Andre Home for Single Moms. She was an active member of the National Association of Teachers, Maine Teachers Association, and Maine Association of Retirees. Upon the death of her loving companion, Earl Henderson, Mary Anne returned to Bangor and resided in Birch Hill Estates. From 2007 to present she volunteered at Beacon Hospice.

Mary Anne was predeceased by her parents; her husband of 31 years, Owen; and her companion of 13 years, Earl, who passed Sept 7, 2007. Surviving are her son, Msgr. (ret.) John L. Henderson of Oklahoma City; a sister, Elizabeth A. Hachey and her husband, Thomas, of Farmingdale; and a sister-in-law, Harriet Wright of Portland; nephews, Richard, Tim and Craig Hachey, Michael and William Henderson; and niece, Nora Vandusen.

In keeping with Mary Anne's wishes, services will be private. Those who wish to remember Mary Anne in a special way may make gifts in her memory to Maine Public Broadcasting Network, 1450 Lisbon St., Lewiston, ME 04240. Condolences to the family may be expressed at www.memorial-alternatives.com.

In Memoriam

In Loving Memory Of
NEIL L. MERRILL
May 6, 1944 - June 25, 2014



Today is full of memories
Happiness and tears
of birthday celebrations
we've shared throughout
the years.

We know that you
are with us
In everything we do
So, we'll celebrate
your birthday
But, we'll spend it
missing you
"Happy Birthday"
We love and miss you,
Elaine, Julie, Debbie, Mark,
Chelsey and Gracie

In Loving Memory Of
RICHARD L. JELLISON
July 13, 1931 - May 6, 2009



Where there is love,
there is life.
For love endures,
love remembers.

In Loving Memory Of
CHARLES R. SMITH
May 6, 1926 - Aug. 2, 2015



We miss you, we love you.
From your family



DALE W. MARSTON JR.

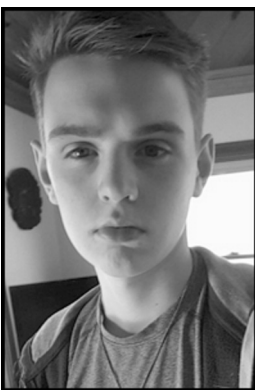
LEE and ENFIELD - Dale W. Marston Jr., 77, passed away May 3, 2016, at home, peacefully, surrounded by his family. Dale was born January 14, 1939, in Lincoln.

He was predeceased by his wife, Ann (Clemons) Marston; his parents, Dale W. Marston Sr. and Marjorie (Pond) Hikel; a stepfather, Joe Hikel; a brother, Blaine "Curly" Marston; and a very special mother-in-law, Winnie Clemons.

Dale was an avid outdoorsman who loved to spend time outside with family and friends. He served in the Army National Guard and was a member of the American Legion Post #77.

Dale is survived by his four children, Ellen Thurlow and her husband, Richard, David Marston, Debbie Marston and her wife, Laurie, Jim Marston and his wife, Erin; ten grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; a sister, Mary-Jo Kinsey and her husband, Michael, and their two children, Michael and Kathryn; a niece, Tammy Marston; and nephew, Blaine Marston.

Services will be held 10 a.m. Monday, May 9, at Woodlawn Cemetery in Lee. Afterwards, a gathering for family and friends will be held at the American Legion Hall in Lincoln. Condolences may be expressed at www.clayfuneralhome.com



AUSTIN WAYNE ASHMORE
CELEBRATION OF LIFE
AND BIRTHDAY PARTY

ORLAND - Austin is was a very special young man. He had so many gifts that he shared with us whether it be a poem he had written to express his feelings or maybe to help you with what you may have been going thru, or great photography pictures to lighten up your day. He had a great knowledge of many things from animals to music. He was always listening to music anywhere from classical to Lady Gaga. Austin was always so well-coming to anyone walking through the door. He was always trying to make others happy, going out of his way to make sure you would laugh. He would light up a room and you would always hear laughter when he was around. He was a loving person. Always looking out for animals and of course always trying to bring a new pet home. Austin always kept us on our toes.

Austin spent much of his time with his very special "Aunt Pam" Pamela Ashmore of Orland; his cousin, April Ashmore of Orland; his cousin, Adam Ashmore and fiancée, Jamie Ordway, and her children of Bucksport; his cousin, Brandy Goss and husband, Jon Goss, and their children, Trent and Addison Goss of Bucksport; his father, Josh Ashmore; and his Grampie Bruce; as well as many other very close friends.

We would like to celebrate his life, as well as his birthday. There will be small funeral services as well for those whom could not make it last week. Come join us on Saturday, May 7, at 4 p.m. at 340 Castine Rd., Orland. Please RSVP to April (207)-479-2496.

Nobleboro woman dies in crash on Route 1

BY RYAN MCLAUGHLIN
BDN STAFF

DAMARISCOTTA — A woman died Wednesday afternoon in a single-vehicle crash in Lincoln County, according to a statement from the sheriff's office.

Alicon Brewer, 51, of Nobleboro was traveling north on Route 1 when she appeared to lose control of her vehicle and hit an em-

bankment, the statement said.

The impact caused the vehicle to roll over onto its roof. Brewer, the lone occupant of the vehicle, was declared dead at the scene.

Brewer was wearing her seat belt, and speed and alcohol do not appear to be factors, the statement said.

Lincoln County sheriff's deputies are investigating the crash.

Police identify woman killed in Route 25 crash

BDN STAFF

PORTER — A woman who died Wednesday afternoon in a head-on collision with a tractor-trailer on Route 25 was identified by state police.

Donna-Lee Zahn, 50, of Parsonsfield was killed in the crash with a tractor-trailer carrying wood chips and driven by Gary Run-

nells, 32, of Canaan. Runnells was not injured.

The collision occurred around 12:30 p.m. about a half-mile from the Kezar Falls Bridge, Department of Public Safety spokesman Stephen McCausland said.

The cab of the truck burst into flames, McCausland said.

Troopers continue to investigate the cause, according to McCausland.

MMA fighter Parsons dies after hit-and-run in Florida

BY DES BIELER
THE WASHINGTON POST

MMA fighter Jordan Parsons, a featherweight with Bellator, died Wednesday after being struck in a hit-and-run incident Saturday. The Michigan resident, nicknamed "Pretty Boy," was 25 years old. Parsons was hit by a silver SUV at an intersection in Delray Beach, Florida. The driver of the car, thought to be a 2012 or 2013 silver Range Rover, immediately fled the scene, and police are still searching for a suspect. A police officer arrived

very soon thereafter and applied an emergency blanket to stop Parsons's bleeding before the fighter was taken to a hospital (per MMA Junkie). His leg was later amputated in an ultimately unsuccessful effort to save his life.

Born in Fargo, North Dakota, Parsons made his professional MMA debut in 2010. He fought under Championship Fighting Alliance and Driller Promotions before joining Bellator in 2014. He had a career record of 11-2, with three wins by knockout and three by submission.