

OBITUARIES



**REGINA 'JEANNE'
T. KELEHER**

BANGOR - Regina "Jeanne" Keleher, 93, beloved wife of the late Joseph Keleher, passed away on May 19, 2016. She was born in Boston, MA., September 16, 1922, daughter of Thomas and Mary (Fallon) Lynch.

Jeanne enjoyed a career in nursing, caring for veterans at the veteran's hospital in Boston, MA. She also had worked for many years at John Hancock Insurance. Jeanne's family is grateful for the loving care shown to her by the staff at Bangor Nursing and Rehabilitation and by Martha Deane from DHHS, when they were not able to be there.

She was a loving and devoted mother to her son, Joseph Keleher of Orono, who survives her, along with loving nieces and nephews, Sgt. James R. Lynch and his wife, Penny J., of Walpole, MA, Janet (Lynch) Mariano of Dedham, MA, Lillian Themo of Boston, MA, and JoAnne Themo-Milano and her husband, Chris, of Peabody, MA.

Relatives and friends are welcome to call 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Thursday, May 26, 2016, at Brookings-Smith, 133 Center St., Bangor, where a Funeral Liturgy outside of Mass will be held at 1 p.m., followed by the Rite of Committal at Mt. Pleasant Catholic Cemetery, Bangor. Condolences to the family may be expressed at www.BrookingsSmith.com.



HILDA E. MEGQUIER

HUDSON - Hilda E. Megquier, 93, wife of Merrill A. Megquier, died peacefully May 21, 2016, at home. She was born May 30, 1923, in Old Town, the daughter of Edmund and Lena (Russell) Chaloux.

Hilda attended schools in Old Town thru the 11th grade. After leaving school she worked at the Moose River Shoe Factory until she married and became a homemaker. She loved bowling, which she had to give up at 92 because of her health. She enjoyed playing cards, dominos, bingo and traveling. Hilda and Merrill belonged to Holiday Day Ramblers RV Club and traveled to all but two states. The longest trip was touring Alaska and doing lots of fishing. Many weekends were spent camping and fishing.

In addition to her husband, Merrill, Hilda is survived by a daughter, Christine Slowik and husband, Steve, of Hudson; a son, Brent Pierce of Brownville Junction; a granddaughter, Salina Pierce of Bangor; a grandson, Chad Pierce of Brewer; brothers, Hubert Chaloux of Old Town, Alphonse Chaloux of Old Town and Raymond Chaloux and wife, Joyce, of Winter Haven, FL; many nieces and nephews. Hilda was predeceased by her parents; sisters Mildred and Pauline; and first husband, Clyde Pierce.

A funeral service will be held noon Tuesday, May 24, 2016, at Brookings-Smith, 133 Center St., Bangor, with Chaplain Carl Bergman, officiating. The family invites relatives and friends to share conversation and refreshments at the Family Reception Center of Brookings-Smith, 163 Center St., Bangor, immediately following the service Tuesday. Interment will be in the Hudson Village Cemetery, Hudson. Those who wish to remember Hilda in a special way may make gifts in her memory to the Shrine Hospital for Children, care of Anah Shrine Center, 1404 Broadway, Bangor, ME 04401. Condolences to the family may be expressed at www.BrookingsSmith.com.



EARL CORSON JR.

HERMON - Earl Corson Jr., 75, known to all as "Junior," passed away after a long illness, May 21, 2016, surrounded by his family. He was born in Bangor, Sept. 20, 1940, son of Earl and Mertie (Tuttle) Corson.

Junior attended Hermon schools. He worked for many years as a truck driver, even receiving the Million Mile award for safely driving a million miles. Junior had a love for motorcycles, especially Harleys; and loved playing guitar and singing. He had an Elvis face and a Johnny Cash voice. Junior was full of humor and had a childlike playfulness to him. He was always the life of the party and loved being the center of attention. Junior adored his four daughters and loved each of them equally and unconditionally. He never played favorites and was dedicated to them completely.

Junior is survived by his four daughters, Lori Hicks and husband, Alan; Diana Bullard and husband, Brian, Debbie Bozeman, and Brenda Potter and husband, Darryl; 9 grandchildren; 7 great-grandchildren; brothers, Mike Corson and wife, Shirley, and Harold Corson and wife, Linda; sisters, Thelma White, Lurline Nowell and husband, Bill, and Glenice Woodman; as well as several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his parents.

A graveside service will be held 11 a.m. Tuesday, May 25, at Pleasant Hill Cemetery in Hermon. Condolences to the family may be expressed at www.BrookingsSmith.com.

BARBARA MAXINE MORSE

LEVANT - B. Maxine (Robinson) Morse, 86, died May 18, 2016, peacefully at home in the care of the family and Hospice of Eastern Maine due to heart failure. She was born August 18, 1929, in Steuben, the remaining child of four, to the late Russell David and Olga Temple Robinson.

Maxine found the very best in every situation, always saying "the good Lord knows and will get us through." Though she had many difficult life experiences she did live out what she believed. She was always serving others happily and joyfully in many capacities - site coordinator Meals on Wheels in Gray/New Gloucester, knitting hundreds of hats for children and helmet liners for troops and private hire caregiver. Everything she put her hand to, which is too numerous to list, she did it with great determination. From the first paying job at 16 packing sardines to the last elderly person she cared for at age 82. Her greatest joy was being Ma, Mom, Gram, Maxie, Goldfish Gram and Great Great to her family.

She was predeceased by Vanessa Ann Morse, still-born daughter, in 1957. Surviving her are daughters, Carla M. Severance of Livermore Falls and Dolly Chesley and husband, Andy, of Levant; sons, Timothy A. Morse of Andover, Colin R. Morse of Windham and David F. Morse and wife, Ester, of Westbrook; 13 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren; and two very dear sisters-in-law, Jeanette Arsenaault and Polly Rudge of Bangor.

A memorial gathering will be held 10:30 a.m. Saturday, May 28, at Advent Christian Church, 2141 Broadway, Bangor. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Hospice of Eastern Maine, 885 Union St., Bangor, ME 04401.



WAYNE G. REED

NORTH MONMOUTH - Wayne G. Reed, 71, of Wilson Pond Road, and formerly of Augusta, died Friday, May 20, 2016, at Maine General Medical Center. He was born at home in Woodland, on Sept. 28, 1944, the son of Ruel and Vernice (August) Reed.

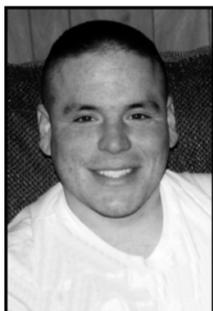
Wayne graduated from Caribou High School, class of 1963, and later from Northern Maine Vocational Technical College, where he studied to become an electrician. On Dec. 9, 1966, he married Pam Everett in Fort Fairfield. Wayne started his banking career with Commercial Credit in 1968 in Presque Isle. He was transferred to Lewiston in 1970 and remained with them until 1974. He spent the rest of his 39-year career working for various banks in Augusta, retiring from Gardiner Savings Bank in 2007. Wayne was a true outdoorsman, who enjoyed hunting, fishing and spending summers at his camp on Schoodic Lake at Lakeview Plantation. In his earlier years, Wayne and Pam often took the children camping. In 1996 he and Pam took a Caribbean Cruise together.

Wayne was predeceased by his wife, Pam, on July 25, 2009; and a half-brother, Melfert P. Hardacker, on May 2, 2005. He is survived by a son, Timothy Reed and his wife, Tina, of Hampden; a daughter, Kimberly Blackstone and her husband, Dana, of North Monmouth; a brother, Reginald Reed and his wife, Lorraine, of Caribou; three grandchildren, Drew Blackstone, Tyler Reed and Trevor Reed; two nieces, Michelle Reed and Celeste Hanish; a nephew, Ryan Everett; his mother-in-law, Edna Everett of Presque Isle; and his brother-in-law, Jeffrey Everett and his wife, Cathy, of Cross Lake.

There will be no visiting hours. A celebration of Wayne's life will be held at 4 p.m. on Wednesday, May 25, at Green Street United Methodist Church in Augusta with the Rev. Thom Blackstone, officiating. Burial will be at Riverside Cemetery in Fort Fairfield at a later date. In lieu of flowers, those wishing may make memorial contributions to the Harold Alford Center for Cancer Care, Office of Philanthropy, P.O. Box 828, Waterville, ME 04903-0828. Arrangements are in the care of Knowlton and Hewins Funeral Home and Cremation Service, One Church St., Augusta, where condolences, memories and photos may be shared with the family on the obituary page of the website at www.khfuneralhomes.com.

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ANTHONY M. BEST II

INDIAN TOWNSHIP - Anthony Michael Best II, 31, passed away Friday, May 20, 2016, at Maine Medical Center in Portland, with his family by his side. Anthony was born in Bangor on July 23, 1984, and attended Calais High School.

Having a strong work ethic at an early age, he helped his grandfather do roofing and logging during the summers while in high school. Anthony continued working as a carpenter throughout the years and during seasonal times he did blueberry raking, clamming, elvering and tipping. Recently he relocated to Portland and was working with his father, Calvin, installing docks. Anthony loved the outdoors and enjoyed fishing, hunting, camping, spending time with family and friends, and most importantly, cherished being with his two sons, Ahtuwen and Beckham. Anthony will be remembered by many for his passionate and kind ways, always the first to go out of his way to help others.

He was predeceased by his grandparents, Hazel Perley, Roger and Florence Patoine, Clare Nicholas, and Robert and Nancy Best; an uncle, Granton Nicholas; and many other family and friends who have passed before him. Surviving are his two sons, Ahtuwen and Beckham, and their mother, Heather; a stepdaughter Cadance; his mother, Eva Sockabasin of Indian Township; fathers, Anthony Best of Indian Township and Calvin Nicholas Sr. of Pleasant Point; his godparents, Sylvia, Wayne, Dawn and Max; his godson, Heiden; and numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and dear friends.

Visiting hours will begin noon Monday, May 23, 2016, at 489 Peter Dana Point Road in Indian Township until 1 p.m. Wednesday, May 25. A Mass of Christian burial will be celebrated 2 p.m. Wednesday, May 25, by the Rev. Kevin Martin, at St. Ann R.C. Church, Peter Dana Point. Burial will follow in the Tribal Cemetery. Arrangements by Mays Funeral Home, Calais and Eastport. Condolences and memories may be shared at www.maysfuneralhome.com.



MADELINE DORIS MCPHERSON

CORINTH - Madeline Doris McPherson, 92, wife of Raymond Walter McPherson Sr., went to join him in Heaven on May 21, 2016. She was born on June 27, 1923, in Presque Isle, the daughter of Claude Rodney and Lucy Jane (Brooks) Moran.

As a teenager, Madeline enjoyed singing with her sister Vivian in church and on the radio church service for the Rev. Melvin McGeorge and the Rev. Dan Pike. She was a graduate of Presque Isle High School, class of 1941, where she enjoyed participating in music and drama. Madeline married Raymond, the love of her life, on November 1, 1941, and they happily married for nearly 67 years, until his passing in July 2008. Together, they operated a general store, a potato farm and after moving to Corinth, a successful dairy and poultry farm. They were both members of the Charleston Pentecostal Church, where she taught Sunday school, for 53 years. She truly loved each of her students, and was a favorite of many! Even as they became adults, she referred to them as "my boys" and "my girls." For many years, she led all of the Sunday school students in singing during opening exercises. She and Ray opened their home to their first pastor "uncle Gene" Kimball, as well as several evangelists for many years. Over the years, she enjoyed singing in the Souls Harbor Choir with Pastor Ronnie Libby, as well as singing in the church choir. For several years Madeline was coordinator of the church's Senior Adult Fellowship, later serving as their secretary. Madeline was definitely a "people person." She volunteered as the Activities Coordinator at Westgate Manor in Bangor for over 25 years, where she was recognized with many awards for her volunteerism. She also coordinated a group at Emilio Estates in Corinth. She visited other nursing homes, as well, helping to cheer their residents. In 1989, she was featured by WVII TV, as "Person of the Week" for her volunteer work. She was also a nominee for the prestigious Jefferson Award for her extraordinary public service. Madeline's other volunteer activities included serving as school room mother for her children and granddaughters and serving as a District #64 Spelling Bee judge for several years. Madeline was a talented writer, composing several beautiful songs and poems. Other hobbies included reading, bird watching, gardening, and traveling. She loved cooking for her family and friends, especially being remembered for her famous raised glazed doughnuts, butterscotch rolls, and molasses cookies. She enjoyed taking nature walks, picnic-

ing, fishing, playing various sports, mowing her law on her riding mower, and other outdoor activities. She adored her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren and she had a extremely close relationship with all of them. She enjoyed entertaining and spending time with them. Mom, Grams, and Gramsie was truly the "light" of all of our lives and will be greatly missed. Her motto in life was "JOY" - Jesus, others, and you. She taught us all that "The joy of Lord is our strength!" Several friends have stated that they will always remember our Mom for her contagious smile and for being full of the joy of the Lord. Friends were often blessed to receive an encouraging phone call or to be met with a "God bless you. I am praying for you." She always enjoyed meeting people, offering words of encouragement, and hearing others' life stories.

Madeline is survived by her three very loving daughters and son, Patricia June and her husband, Kenneth, Speed of Garland, Sandra Doris and her husband, Forrest Doody, of Corinth, Gloria Rae and her husband, Scott Westhrin, of Bangor and Raymond Walter Jr. and his wife, Joan, of Garland. She was also blessed with 7 adoring grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren, Kenneth and wife, Kelly Speed, and sons, Hunter, Colin and Trevor, Tricia (Speed) and husband, Steven Phillips, and sons, Jeremy and Zachary, Raelene (Doody) and husband, Don Parks, and daughters, Kaela, Kaelyn, Kiera, Kylie and Kristina, Angelene (Doody) and husband, Jeremy Davis, Kandace McPherson and son, Logan, and Thomas McPherson and Andrew McPherson. In addition to her husband and parents, Madeline was also predeceased by her sisters, Katherine and Vivian; and her brother, Ogden. A special thank you to all of the nieces and nephews who stayed connected with visits, cards, and calls. Also, much love and thanks to all of our friends at Ross Manor, who have become like family to us. We appreciate all of your tender loving care that you gave to your "Queen Maddie" during the past four years.

Friends may call at 1 p.m. prior to the 2 p.m. memorial service, which will be held on Wednesday, May 25, at Charleston Pentecostal Church with the Rev. Matthew Ward. Interment will follow at the Corinthian Cemetery in Corinth. In lieu of flowers, gifts in Mom's memory may be made to the Charleston Pentecostal Sunday School or to Soul's Harbor, Corinth. Arrangements are by Thompson Funeral Home, 17 Hudson Road, Corinth.

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