

# OBITUARIES



JANE TURNER MCGOWAN

ENFIELD - Jane (Turner) McGowan died August 4, 2016, at Blair Manor in Enfield, CT. Jane was born in Bucksport on December 3, 1925, to Fred and Frances (Eaton) Turner.

Jane was educated in Bucksport schools before entering an apprenticeship in tool-and-die work at the Fay Scott Foundry in Dexter to help out in the WWII effort. There, she met her future husband, Wilmer Barton McGowan of Ashland. Together, they moved back to Ashland after his Navy service in the Pacific Theater.

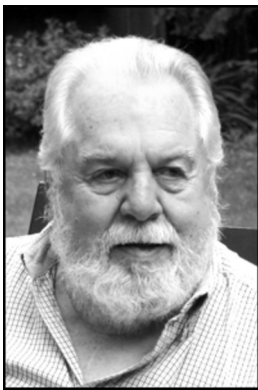
Jane raised three children and loved being outside growing vegetables and tending her flowers. She also enjoyed the North Maine Woods, berrying, fishing, hunting, reading, dogs, and traveling with her late husband. They lived in Connecticut and Southern California during Wilmer's working life before returning to Ashland.

Jane was predeceased by her husband, Wilmer; her siblings, Arthur, Sonny, Max-

ine and Margaret.

She is survived by her siblings, Robert, Richard, Caroline, Elaine and Durena; her children, Fred McGowan of Tolland, CT, Patricia (McGowan) Thibodeau of East Windsor, CT, and her husband, Rene, Kate (McGowan) Harris of Presque Isle and her husband, Dale; six grandchildren, Jennifer Lincoln of Syracuse, NY, Brett Thibodeau of East Windsor, CT, Carrie Chabot of Enfield, CT, Christy Daggett of Presque Isle, Jeffrey Roix of London, UK, and Robert Sweikert of Machias; seven great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

There will be a graveside service for friends and family at the Ashland Municipal Cemetery on Saturday, August 20, at 10 a.m., presided over by Pastor Gardiner of the Union Congregational Church of Ashland. If you wish to do something in memory of Jane, if you are able, pick a pint of wild raspberries today and bring them to your neighbor.



RONALD G. MOORE

ORRINGTON - Ronald G. Moore passed away peacefully at his home on August 15, 2016 surrounded by his family.

He was born on September 7, 1933 the oldest son of Beatrice (Pingree) and George Landery Moore. He attended Bangor High School, until he left to join the Navy, where he proudly served until July of 1954. Upon his return to Bangor, he married Nancy (Mishou) on November 23, 1953 and they went on to raise four children, 7 grandchildren, and 4 great-grandchildren over their 62 years together!

Ron was employed by "Ma Bell" for over 30 years, and he held several positions within the company, but the job he loved, and made into his career was that of lineman. He loved working outdoors and he enjoyed the camaraderie of his fellow linemen. These men shared a brotherhood, and like brothers, they loved to pull pranks. Ron had a great sense of humor and was an amazing story teller, so for the rest of his life, his family delighted in the many hilarious stories of his days with the line crew.

Ron was predeceased by his brother, Robert B. Moore, and his sister, Patricia L. Moore. Ron also lost his beloved daughter, Dawna Jean (Moore) Hensley to her battle with cancer in August of 2013.

He is survived by his wife Nancy; one son, Daniel G. Moore and his wife Eileen (Grace) Moore; two daughters, Rhonda Lee Geaghan and her husband Lawrence C. Geaghan, and Kate Leola Moore and her husband Jeff Paul, all of Orrington; seven grandchildren; Thomas Ronald Geaghan and wife Erin of Cleveland Ohio, Andrew James Geaghan and wife Lindsay of Brewer, Chad Daniel Hensley of Bangor, Corrigan Conley Moore of Boston, Jacob Lawrence Moore and wife Sarah of Bangor, Kaila Jean Moore of Portland, and Samuel Robert Moore of Bangor; four great grandchildren, Isaac and Connemara Geaghan of Brewer, and Liam and Maeve Geaghan of Cleveland Ohio; and one nephew, Jonathan K. Moore of Philadelphia.

Ron Moore leaves behind a legacy, not of perfection, but of love and laughter, of kindness, truth and integrity. We, his family, will do our best to carry on together with the values he held dear.

In keeping with Ron's wishes the family will gather privately. Those who wish to remember Ron in a special way, may do something kind for someone in need, or consider a gift to the Lafayette Family Cancer Center, C/O EMHS Foundation P.O. Box 931, Bangor, Maine 04402-0931 in memory of Dawna Jean Moore Hensley. Condolences to the family may be expressed at [www.BrookingsSmith.com](http://www.BrookingsSmith.com).

## CAMILLA R. NUTTER

ST. ALBANS - Camilla Nutter, 89, went to be with the Lord August 16, 2016. She was born February 2, 1927 in Dyer Brook, a daughter of Ray and Helen (Slater) Chute. Camilla graduated from Hartland Academy and attended the Maine School of Commerce.

Camilla was a member of the Hartland First Baptist Church, and the Sno-Devils Snowmobile Club. She was an excellent cook and will be remembered for her chocolate doughnuts. She enjoyed hunting, fishing, camping and snowmobiling and was known as an excellent shot. Camilla was also an excellent mother and grandmother.

She is survived by 3 sons, Dale Gordon of St. Albans, G. Thomas and wife Kathy Nutter of Ripley, David and wife Debbie Nutter of Benton; 3 daughters, Helen and husband Michael Snowman of Hartland, Holli and husband John Stedman and Bonnie and husband Amos Lawrence, all of St. Albans; a brother, Rodney and wife Beverly Chute of Bowdoin; 10 grandchildren; 19 great grandchildren.

Camilla was predeceased by her husband, G. Harold Nutter, a son, Daryl Gordon and by a sister Virginia Hughes.

Services will be held at 3 P.M. Saturday, August 20th, at the Hartland First Baptist Church, with the Rev. Norman Finnemore officiating.

Burial will be in the Fernald Cemetery, Ripley. Memorial donations may be made to the Maine Warden's Service Benevolent Fund, 290 Main Street, Mechanic Falls, ME 04256. Those who wish may leave written condolences at [www.CrosbyNeal.com](http://www.CrosbyNeal.com)

## DOUGLAS W. ELKINS

MILLINOCKET - Douglas W. Elkins, 68, passed away Wed, Aug. 10, 2016.

He was born Dec. 23, 1947, in Newport, the son of Bessie (Tompkins) and Burns W. Elkins, Sr.

Doug graduated Stearns H.S. and EMTC and attended Tri Town Baptist Church. He worked as a Computer Analyst in the Millinocket and E. Millinocket paper mills.

He loved his camps in Burlington and Lincoln, ATV riding, computer games, creating a train and slot car track, gardening at E. Terrace guardrail, and a connoisseur of music. He volunteered at the Tri Town Baptist Church Food Bank.

Douglas is survived by his fiancé Ann Warren; his son Anthony; brother Burns Jr. He will be missed by his neighbors Uncle Bill and Norma Waye. He is predeceased by his mother and father; sister Pauline, and brothers Robert, Lawrence, and Dean.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m., Tuesday Aug. 23 at the Tri Town Baptist Church, E. Millinocket with Pastor David Blaisdell officiating.

## HALE F. ARMSTRONG

MILLINOCKET - Hale F. Armstrong, 62, passed away August 12, 2016. For a full obituary, please go to [www.BrookingsSmith.com](http://www.BrookingsSmith.com)

# BDN introduces new online home for obituaries

BY JOELLEN EASTON  
BDN MAINE

There's something special about obituaries.

They are the stories of our friends, neighbors, relatives and friendly faces we've never known. As a reader, I find these stories compelling, wanting to know more about each person. I am always disappointed when I realize I will never meet the person who inspired the story I'm reading.

This past winter, though, I was reminded that as much as readers value obituaries, they're much more important to the grieving families who place them. While placing my own grandmother's obituary in the paper, I had to stop several times, overcome by the finality of writing and then publishing a summation of her life.

Then, seeing her story in the BDN online, I — just like many of you — didn't like seeing all the advertisements cluttering up her story. The last word on her life shouldn't look so commercial.

And yet, as an employee of a newspaper working hard to sustain itself, I know darn well those ads have an important purpose: to help support the journalism the readers of the BDN expect and that Maine depends upon. So, we thought, there must be a better way.

Now there is. Today, I am happy to be able to show you something we've been working hard on: an improved online obituary experience, on a new site — with fewer ads — that's made for honoring our loved ones.

Now my grandmother's story is on the new site, with no ads, and you can see her

recipe for the delicious gluten-free cookies that were always in her cookie jar.

I hope you'll agree with me that our new site is a big improvement. Here's what's different:

- No ads on individual obituary pages
- Fewer ads overall
- An attractive layout on mobile and tablet
- Simpler navigation
- Powerful and more accurate search

- Easy to share through email, Facebook and Twitter
- Easy to add photos, memories, and milestones along an interactive timeline

- A moderated and ad-free guestbook

- A family member can become the "story keeper," which gives them last-word control over the obituary and all submissions to it

- An easy to use order form for placing new notices

We've also created a new Facebook page to more widely share the stories of Mainers whose obituaries we publish.

If you read obituaries regularly, how you browse will change a little bit.

- To view obits by location, scan the cards for each person's story (the location is in bold), or type the city into the advanced search.

- To view recent obits, click "view all obituaries" to scan the recent cards, or type the dates you want into the advanced search.

We hope you'll like the changes. Send me a note — [jeaston@bangordailynews.com](mailto:jeaston@bangordailynews.com) — if you run into any problems reading or using the site. Your feedback will help us adjust the site as we go.

Thank you for reading the BDN.

# News show host John McLaughlin dies at 89

REUTERS

WASHINGTON — U.S. television news executive and commentator John McLaughlin, a former Jesuit priest who hosted the public affairs broadcast "The McLaughlin Group" for 34 years, died on Tuesday, the show said.

"The McLaughlin Group" announced the death on Facebook but gave no details about the cause or where McLaughlin died.

"Now he has said bye bye for the last time, to rejoin his beloved dog, Oliver, in heaven. He will always be remembered," it said.

McLaughlin, a former speechwriter for Republican Presidents Richard Nixon and Gerald Ford, launched "The McLaughlin Group," which featured a roundtable discussion of current events

among panelists, in 1982.

The show is carried by CBS-owned stations and public television stations. An interview show, "John McLaughlin's One on One," ran from 1984 to 2013.

McLaughlin was born in Providence, Rhode Island, and was ordained a priest in 1959. He held two master's degrees from Boston College, and a doctorate in philosophy from Columbia University.

He ran for the U.S. Senate from Rhode Island as an anti-Vietnam War Republican in 1970, losing to incumbent Democrat John Pastore. McLaughlin left the Jesuit order in 1974.

From 1989 to 1994, McLaughlin produced and hosted "McLaughlin," a nightly talk show on CNBC. He was Washington editor and columnist for the National Review from 1981 to 1989.



REUTERS FILE

Germany's Stefan Henze (right) celebrates with teammate Marcus Becker after winning the silver medal in the men's canoe double competition at the Athens 2004 Olympic Games. Henze, who was in Rio as a coach for the Olympic team from Germany, died Monday from head injuries he suffered in a car crash in Rio de Janeiro last week.

# German canoe coach Henze dies from car-crash injuries

BY KAROLOS GROHMANN  
REUTERS

RIO DE JANEIRO — The coach of Germany's canoe slalom team, Stefan Henze, died from head injuries suffered in a car crash last week in Rio de Janeiro, the German Olympics team said on Monday.

Henze was traveling with a teammate in a taxi to the athletes' village early on Friday in the Barra de Tijuca neighborhood when the car crashed into a concrete barrier. His teammate Christian Kaeding suffered minor injuries and was briefly treated at a hospital.

It was not yet clear how the accident occurred.

"We are endlessly sad on this day," German Olympic Sports Confederation (DOSB) President Alfons Hoermann said in a statement. "Words cannot come close to describing how we

in the Olympic team feel after this dreadful incident."

The 35-year-old, a 2004 Olympic Games silver medalist, had undergone emergency surgery early on Friday and had been in intensive care ever since.

"Today sports, for which the entire team came to Rio, moves into the background," said team chief Michael Vesper. "Our thoughts are with his family who had the chance here to bid farewell."

The German team said it will hold a ceremony on Tuesday at the Place of Mourning inside the Olympic Village where the athletes live.

"The IOC is mourning the loss of a true Olympian," said IOC President Thomas Bach, a German who headed the DOSB until 2013.

"Our sympathy is with the family of Stefan Henze, his friends and all of the German Olympic Team."



DEBORAH "DEBBIE" M. POLCHIES

HOULTON - Deborah "Debbie" Mae Polchies 49, passed away Monday, August 15, 2016 at a Presque Isle hospital with her family by her side. She was born August 26, 1966 at Houlton, the daughter of Valentine and Rose (Silliboy) Polchies.

Debbie grew up in Houlton and attended local schools. She raised her family and worked for area farms. Debbie enjoyed doing crafts and coloring. She loved playing dice and claims she didn't cheat but was just playing by "house rules." Debbie was very handy and could fix just about anything. She was a free spirited, fun loving person with a huge loving, caring heart but she could be stubborn at times. She loved the name "Little Debbie" because she was sweet like a "Little Debbie" snack.

Debbie is survived by her children Jennifer Cabanaw, Melissa Beal, Josh Beal Samantha Polchies and Tiffany Levesque all of Houlton; fourteen grandchildren; her siblings Marie Polchies, Valentine "Sam" Polchies, Mary Sabattis and Jean Lorom all of Houlton; her dog Itty Bitty; lifelong best friend Dale Donahue and her longtime boyfriend Ned Ketchum; many uncles, aunts, nieces, nephews and cousins. She was predeceased by her parents, her brother James and her sister Carol.

Friends may call at the Dunn Funeral Home 12 noon Thursday, August 18, 2016 until the time of the service 1:00PM with Rev. David Raymond officiating. Following the service there will be a reception held at the Maliseet Gymnasium. Interment will be in the Maliseet Overlook Tribal Cemetery at a later date. Gift may be made in Deborah's memory payable to American Cancer Society c/o Dunn Funeral Home 11 Park Street Houlton, 04730. Online condolences and guest book: [dunnfuneral.com](http://dunnfuneral.com)

## Committal Services

### WILLIAM A. HATHAWAY

CORINTH - A graveside service for William A. Hathaway, who died May 26, 2016, will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, August 20, 2016 at Corinthian Cemetery in Corinth. Reception following at 937 Main Rd Corinth. Donations can still be made to Maine Savings FCU for the Billy Hathaway Scholarship Fund.

## In Memoriam

In Loving Memory Of  
**NICHOLAS AIDEN LAPLANTE**

Aug. 17, 2007 - Oct. 8, 2008



Our Babyboy ... You would've been 9 yrs. old today. You should be here playing with trucks and cars but instead you are an amazingly handsome Angel watching over all of us. My hero's don't wear capes, my hero's fight Cancer. You will always be my hero Peanut. There isn't a day that goes by that we don't miss you terribly. Love you always, Mommy, Daddy Sena, Alia and Lucas

In Loving Memory Of  
**IRVIN RAY SEYMOUR**

Aug 13, 1931 - Aug 17, 1986



Always in our thoughts.  
Steven R. Seymour and family,  
and Lisa J. O'Brien and family