

OBITUARIES



ROBERT EUGENE LUNT

BANGOR - Robert E. Lunt, 82, passed out of his earthly body to be present with the Lord on September 26, 2016, at home, with his wife by his side, after a long, hard battle with cancer. He was born on January 17, 1934, in Bangor, the son of Roy Lunt and Ruth (Nye) Lunt.

He was a Korean War era U.S. Navy veteran. He served aboard the aircraft carrier USS Essex and was also stationed at Atsugi Naval Air Station in Japan. After his discharge from the Navy, he began working for the U.S. Postal Service in Bangor, where he worked for 37 years. He held several administrative positions while employed there, including helping to facilitate the building of the mail processing facility in Hampden, of which he was very proud to be apart of.

He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Barbara (Savage) Lunt; daughter, Jennifer Brown of Orrington; sister, Sandra Pitt and husband, Fred Pitt, of Westbrook, Ct., three grandsons, who he was very proud of: Cory Lunt

of Bangor, Drew Lunt of the U.S. Army and Nolan Lunt of Brewer; several nieces, nephews and maternal cousins. He was predeceased by his only son, John R. Lunt, known as Rob; and his brother, Lawrence Lunt of Westbrook, Ct.

I, Robert, wish to thank my sweet, loving wife, who took such good care of me through my illness. May our Lord Jesus bless and keep her.

At Bob's request, there will be no funeral. There will be a small graveside service at Mt. Hope Cemetery, on Saturday, October 1, at 11 a.m. The family invites relatives to Bob's home after the service to share conversation and refreshments.

Those who wish to remember Bob in a special way may make gifts in his memory to The Salvation Army, P.O. Box 1101, Bangor, ME 04402.

His favorite Bible chapter was John 14, where the Lord says, "In my Father's house there are many mansions: I go to prepare a place for you; that where I am, there you may be also."

Death Notices

BLANC, Eugene T., 70, South Bristol; at Portland, Sept. 27, 2016. Direct Cremation of Maine, 182 Waldo Ave., Belfast.

BROWN, Thomas M., 75, Bangor; Sept. 29, 2016. Service at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 4th, Hammond Street Congregational Church, 28 High St., Bangor. Brookings-Smith, 133 Center St., Bangor.

COTE, Ernest L., 92, Limestone; at Saco, Aug. 21, 2016. Service on Monday, Oct. 3, 2016, 10 a.m., St. Louis Catholic Cemetery, Limestone. Giberson-Dorsey Funeral Home, 144 Main St., Fort Fairfield

GIBBS, Bethal 'Betty' Charlean, 92, Baileyville; Sept. 28, 2016. Service at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 22, 2016, Woodland Cemetery, Ryan Rd., Baileyville. Mays Funeral Home, Calais & Eastport.

GREINER, Richard, 76, Belfast; Sept. 26, 2016. Service on Oct. 1, 1 p.m., St. Francis of Assisi Church, Belfast. Riposta Funeral Home, 182 Waldo Ave., Belfast.

LUNT, Robert E., 82, Bangor; Sept. 26, 2016. Service on Saturday, Oct. 1, 11 a.m., Mt. Hope Cemetery, Bangor.

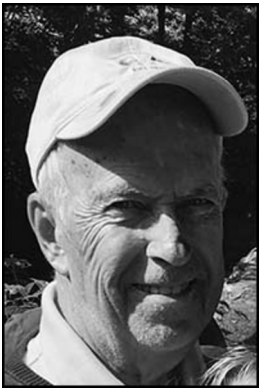
MACGREGOR, James K., 79, Rumford; Sept. 27, 2016. Direct Cremation of Maine, 182 Waldo Ave., Belfast.

RILEY, Lewis A., 79, Liberty; at Belfast, Sept. 27, 2016. Riposta Funeral Home, 182 Waldo Ave., Belfast.

SCHIESSL, Kathleen D., 46, Brooks; Sept. 27, 2016. Service on Wednesday, Oct. 5, 2016, 10 a.m., Riposta Funeral Home, 182 Waldo Ave., Belfast.

SUTHERLAND, Gloria P., 79, Caribou; Sept. 28, 2016. Service at 1 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 1, 2016, Parish of the Precious Blood, Holy Rosary Catholic Church, Caribou. Mockler Funeral Home, 24 Reservoir St., Caribou.

WESTGATE, Marguerite Harriet (Haynes), 91, Lincoln; Sept. 28, 2016. Service at 12 noon, Sunday October 2, 2016, at Clay Funeral Home, Lincoln.



THOMAS M. BROWN

BANGOR - Thomas M. Brown, 75, of Bangor, died Sept. 29, 2016. Tom was born May 10, 1941, in Houlton, the son of Scott and Susie (Blanchard) Brown. A graduate of Houlton High School, he attended Bates College where he allegedly studied history, but really majored in pool and golf. He later received his law degree from Boston University and practiced law for 50 years at Eaton Peabody. Tom was an avid golfer and enjoyed countless rounds at Penobscot Valley and Houlton Golf Clubs.

Tom was a true "County Boy." He loved and cherished all things Aroostook - his lifelong friends, family roots, and the region's rich history. He was a true and loyal friend to those who knew him. He relished his monthly poker group, traveling with his wife of over fifty years, Gail, being with his dog Molly, putting around his house in Georgetown where he always stoked his yard "burn" pile, and the annual hunting trip with his cronies, even though he never carried a gun. He was also an advocate for his adopted home of Bangor, always promoting its many strengths and helping raise support for the establishment of programs, including the Challenger Learning Center and The Children's Museum. He also served on the Maine State Board of Corrections and was an Army Reservist in the 1970s.

The Browns would like to express their eternal gratitude to the anonymous family who in the face of death gave the gift of life to Tom through the donated heart he received in 1989. Tom lived his life to the fullest, grateful for each precious day. Deep gratitude also ex-

tends to the wonderful, caring and talented healthcare professionals at Eastern Maine Medical Center and Brigham and Women's Hospital, who cared from Tom over the past 35 years.

Tom is survived by his wife, Gail; son Win and his wife, Wendy, and their daughters Kathryn and Anya of Westford, MA; daughter, Jill Roberts and her partner, Kyle Kauffman, of Kannapolis, NC; son, Greg of Bangor; brother, Scott and his wife Carolyn; brother-in-law, John Hoxie and his wife, Diana; cousins, nieces and nephews, and his much-loved dog, Molly. He was predeceased by his son, Michael, and sister, Catherine.

Family and friends are invited to celebrate Tom's life at a visiting hours reception at Penobscot Valley Country Club on Monday, October 3rd, from 4 -7 p.m. (Tom's favorite noshes and drinks will be served in his honor: Moxie, martini's and yummy wines.) A memorial service will be held 10 a.m. Tuesday, October 4th at Hammond Street Congregational Church, 28 High Street, Bangor, with the Rev. Dr. Mark Allen Doty officiating, followed by a coffee in the Fellowship Hall.

Should friends desire, memorial gifts may be made to the Thomas M. Brown Scholarship, Houlton High School Alumni Association, POB 900, Houlton, ME, 04730; The Challenger Learning Center, 30 Venture Way, Bangor ME 04401; or Hammond Street Congregational Church, 28 High Street, Bangor, ME 04401. A service of Brookings-Smith, Bangor. Condolences to the family may be expressed at www.BrookingsSmith.com.



GLORIA P. SUTHERLAND

CARIBOU - Gloria P. Sutherland, 79, passed away September 28, 2016, at The Aroostook Medical Center in Presque Isle surrounded by her loving family after battling many health issues.

She was born in Caribou, January 31, 1937, the daughter of Leo and Alma (Cote) Belanger. Gloria was a graduate of Caribou High School and in 1956 she married Willis R. Sutherland. She was a member of the Holy Rosary Catholic Church. Gloria was a loving and devoted wife, mother, grandmother, and great grandmother, who helped her husband with the daily activities of running the family farm.

She loved to plan and cook for family gatherings and having her family at her home was the center of her life. Always the social butterfly, Gloria loved being with her friends, whether it was meeting for breakfast or lunch, gathering at the Cary Cafe, garage saleing or shopping with her sister, Dolores.

Surviving in addition to her husband of over 60 years, Willis, of Caribou, are three sons and two daughters-in-law, Kendall and Debbie Sutherland of Woodland, Stuart and Kim Sutherland of Caribou, and Warren Sutherland of Old Orchard Beach, three daughters and two sons-in-law, Colleen Sutherland and partner Doris St. Hilaire of Caribou, Sharan and Reggie Thibodeau, and Allyson and

Robert Masse all of Woodland, one sister, Dolores Richards of Caribou, 6 grandchildren, Kylie Kilcollins, Cody Thibodeau, Rylan and Keanen Masse, Matthew and Brandon Manner, one great-granddaughter, Brooklynn Kilcollins, many special friends, including Del Tardie and Betty Henderson. Gloria was predeceased by her parents, her step-father Bernie Holmes, and a sister Nancy Michaud.

Friends may call at the Mockler Funeral Home, 24 Reservoir Street, Caribou, from 6-8 p.m. Friday, September 30, 2016. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated 1 p.m., Saturday, October 1, 2016, at the Parish of the Precious Blood Holy Rosary Catholic Church in Caribou. Interment will be in the Evergreen Cemetery, Caribou. Following the services all are invited for a time of continued fellowship and refreshments at the Holy Rosary Parish Hall. Friends who wish to contribute in Gloria's memory may do so through the Jefferson Cary Foundation, P.O. Box 89, Caribou, ME 04736.

The family would like to extend their sincere appreciation to the staff and doctors at Cary Medical Center, The Aroostook Medical Center and Acute Rehab Unit, and Eastern Maine Medical Center for the fine care and compassion shown to Gloria and her family these past few months.



RICHARD GREINER

BELFAST - Richard Greiner, 76, died peacefully on September 26, 2016. He will be remembered for his love of flying, nature, wildflowers, and his wife Kathleen.

Richard is survived by his loving family; his wife of 41 years, Kathleen "Kitty"; his children, Christopher, Melanie and Rachael; and his grandchildren Austin, Evangeline, Wyatt, Oliver and Jack.

A service will be held Saturday, October 1 at 1 p.m. at St. Francis of Assisi Church in Belfast, ME. Burial will follow in the Gordon Cemetery in Searsport. Riposta Funeral Home, 182 Waldo Ave., Belfast. Condolences may be shared at ripostafh.com.

MARGUERITE HARRIET (HAYNES) WESTGATE

LINCOLN - Marguerite Harriet (Haynes) Westgate, was born in Lincoln, Maine, on January 19, 1925, to Percy and Stella (Ireland) Haynes, and she passed, surrounded by loving family, on September 28, 2016, after living a long, full 91 years of life.

Marguerite will be remembered most for her 17 years of service to the former MSAD #67, as a bus driver, where she affectionately considered any child in her care as "her kid." She loved each and every one of "her kids," right through to the end.

Marguerite was predeceased by her parents, her husband, Alva Westgate, her sister, Vera Eaton, and her brother, Jerome Haynes. Marguerite is survived by her daughter, Donna Pereira, a sister, Freda Delano, granddaughter, Marguerite Tilton and husband Bryan, six great grand daughters, Savannah, Adrianna, Stephanie, Natalie, and Emily, all of Lincoln, and Michelle Tilton of Ft. Campbell, KY, as well as several nieces, nephews, cousins, and special friends.

Visiting hours will be held at Clay Funeral Home, Lincoln, on Saturday, October 1, 2016, from 2-4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. A memorial service will be held on Sunday, October 2, at 12 noon, also at Clay Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, it was Marguerite's wish to keep helping kids, and donations can be made in her memory to: Camp Sunshine, 35 Acadia Rd., Casco, Maine, 04015.

BETHAL 'BETTY' CHARLEAN GIBBS

BAILEYVILLE - Bethal 'Betty' Charlean Gibbs, 92, passed away Wednesday, September 28, 2016, at Calais Regional Hospital. Betty was born in Baileyville on January 29, 1924, daughter of Ernest N. and Gladys O. (White) Leighton. She attended the local schools and graduated from St. Croix High School, Class of 1941. Following high school, Betty moved to Portland to work where she met the love of her life, Lloyd Gibbs. On December 22, 1945, they were united in marriage in Baileyville and spent over 59 years together. Betty was a long-time member of People's United Methodist Church in Baileyville, Past Matron of Royal Chapter #145 O.E.S. in Princeton, was a member of St. Croix Wanderers RV Chapter of the Good Sam Club, and was a past member of the St. Croix Country Club where she enjoyed playing golf. Betty was an avid craftsperson. She especially liked working on plastic canvas. Betty enjoyed making Christmas ornaments for her friends and family. She also loved to cook, especially sweets.

In addition to her parents, Betty was predeceased by her beloved Lloyd in 2005; and two sisters and two brothers-in-law, Ernestine and Kenneth Neale of South Princeton, and Eleanor and Burton McClanghan of St. Stephen. Surviving are her brother and his wife, Ernest and Gloria Leighton of Baileyville; and many very dear nieces, nephews, neighbors and friends.

A graveside service will be held 11 a.m. Saturday, October 22, 2016 at Woodland Cemetery, Ryan Rd., Baileyville. Arrangements by Mays Funeral Home, Calais & Eastport. Condolences and memories may be shared at maysfuneralhome.com

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‘Real Housewife’ husband dies at 61

BY HOWARD COHEN
MIAMI HERALD

MIAMI — Herman Echevarria, a made-in-Miami success story — Cuban exile turned Hialeah politico turned business leader and reluctant TV star as husband to a “Real Housewife” — was found dead Monday morning at his apartment in downtown Miami's Epic Hotel, according to Miami police.

Echevarria was 61.

Echevarria had served as a Hialeah council member for 12 years, from 1985 to 1997. After a bitter battle with Raul Martinez for the mayor's seat, Echevarria left city politics to make his mark behind the scenes in the business world.

There, he served as chief

executive officer of BVK/Meka, a national advertising and marketing company on Brickell Avenue. He owned Venue magazine, a Spanish-language glossy.

Along with former Miami-Dade Mayor Alex Penelas, Echevarria played a significant role in the county's successful negotiations with the city of Miami on an arena deal to keep the Miami Heat in Miami for 30 years.

BVK/Meka managing partner Gonzalo Gonzalez called Echevarria “a super-energetic person, always in a great mood and willing to help everybody.” He said that colleagues were worried when Echevarria did not show up at work. He believes Echevarria died in his sleep of a heart attack.

His second wife Alexia Echevarria, a costar on Bravo TV's “Real Housewives of Miami,” issued a statement on Instagram. “He was a family man, a hardworking businessman, dedicated to helping others and a pillar of his community that was loved by everyone who's (sic) life he touched.”

The two wed in the Dominican Republic in 2004, three years after meeting at South Beach's Macarena. “He was such a gentleman,” Alexia Echevarria, a divorced mom with two sons, told the Herald in 2011.

The couple lived in Normandy Isle in a home decorated with Cuban art by masters like Mario Carreno and Wifredo Lam. They separated in 2015.

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NCIS' showrunner Gary Glasberg dies

BY CYNTHIA LITTLETON
REUTERS

LOS ANGELES — Gary Glasberg, the longtime showrunner of CBS' “NCIS” and creator of spinoff “NCIS: New Orleans,” died Wednesday in Los Angeles. He was 50.

CBS said Glasberg died in his sleep.

“Gary was our rock, our cheerleader, our team captain. He inspired us with his leadership, his creative instincts and keen insight,” the “NCIS” cast said in a statement. “‘NCIS’ will not be the same without him, and each of us will miss his smiling face and unwavering humor, which lifted us every day.”

The New York City native began his career writing comic books and working on animated series for Hanna-Barbera, Warner Bros., Disney and Nickelodeon. He segued into drama by the early 1990s, working on the staff of such series as UPN's “Swift Justice” and “Mercy Point,” CBS' “L.A. Doctors” and Fox's “The Street.”

Glasberg's reputation as a writer-producer grew as he advanced to supervising producer and co-exec producer status on such series as NBC's “Crossing Jordan,” CBS' “Shark” and Fox's “Bones.” He joined “NCIS” in 2009 and was upped to exec producer the following year. He had been showrunner of “NCIS” since 2011.

Last year, Glasberg created the spinoff “NCIS: New Orleans,” toplined by

Scott Bakula.

On Glasberg's watch, “NCIS” has maintained its status as TV's most-watched drama series for the past seven years. Now in its 14th season, “NCIS” last season averaged 20.4 million viewers and 3.1 rating/11 share in adults 18-49.

“Today is an overwhelmingly sad day for ‘NCIS,’ CBS and anyone who was blessed to spend time with Gary Glasberg,” said CBS Entertainment president Glenn Geller. “We have lost a cherished friend, gifted creative voice, respected leader and, most memorably, someone whose warmth and kindness was felt by all around him.”

CBS Television Studios president David Stapf said CBS was “devastated” by the loss of the prolific writer-producer.

“He epitomized the word ‘mensch’ and brought kindness, integrity and class to everything he did. His remarkable talent as a writer and producer was only matched by his ability to connect with people,” Stapf said. “Gary was a beloved member of our family and we are so honored that he called CBS his home for so many years. Our hearts go out to his wife, Mimi, two sons, his entire family and all those who loved him.”

Glasberg's survivors include his wife of 20 years, screenwriter Mimi Schmir, and two sons, Dash and Eli. He is also survived by his father, Edwin Glasberg, and a sister, Mindy Glasberg.