

OBITUARIES

Trafigura founder, commodity trade giant Claude Dauphin dies



DORALIES (LIBBY) SAWYER BOBRYK

JONESPORT - Doralies (Libby) Sawyer Bobryk, age 102, passed away peacefully on September 23, 2015 in Jonesport. She was born on May 20, 1913 in Jonesport, a daughter of the late A. Samuel Libby and Vandelia (Bickford) Libby.

Doralies, like any Downeaster, worked in the cannery. She loved her flower gardens. She was a member of the Community of Christ in Jonesport. Doralies dedicated countless hours of volunteer help throughout her community. One of her biggest accomplishments was in the medical field. She worked for 2 doctors in town, served as a midwife and as an ambulance nurse. In her life, she helped deliver over 150 children in the Washington county area. Also, she was a member of the Jonesport Historical Society's. She received the Boston Cane Award, a letter from the President congratulating her on turning 100 years old. Doralies was a member of the Daughter's of the American Revolution.

Her survivors include her daughter- Carolyn Church of Jonesport and Texas; 2 daughters-in -law- Betty Beal of Jonesport and Carol Sawyer of Missouri; 8 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; 6 great-great grandchildren.

She was predeceased by her husband, Harold Bobryk and 2 sons- Richard Sawyer and Paul Sawyer.

Visitation for Doralies will be at 12pm, Friday, October 2, 2015 Community of Christ Church in Jonesport. Her church service will begin at 2pm, Friday, October 2, 2015 Community of Christ Church and will be immediately followed by the committal service and burial in Greenwood Cemetery in Jonesport. She will be missed by all who knew and loved her. Arrangements were entrusted to Bragdon- Kelley Funeral in Machias, ME. Memories may be shared at www.bragdonkelley.com.

ROGER HALE

CROSS LAKE - Roger Hale, 77, of Cross Lake, Maine died on September 29, 2015. He was born in Caribou, Maine on September 8, 1938, the son of Elisha Hale and Margaret (Smith) Hale.

Roger graduated from Caribou High School in 1956 and received a BS in Agricultural Engineering from the University of Maine at Orono in 1960. He was married to Barbara Hale on June 9, 1962. Roger was a devoted father and husband.

He is survived by his children, Gregory Hale (Pamela) of Waterville, Maine, grandchildren Jennifer, Jeffrey, and Christopher; daughter Ann (Hendricus) Lulofs of Gray, Maine and grandsons Benjamin and Matthew; daughter Ellen (Dale) Bailey of Appleton, Wisconsin and grandsons Andrew and Luke; and Susan (Joshua) Levine of Fremont, New Hampshire and grandsons Nate and Ethan; two sisters, Joyce McNeal of Alexandria, Virginia and Ellen Warren of Peachtree City, Georgia.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at St. Louis Catholic Church in Fort Kent, Maine at 10:00 AM on October 3, 2015. Family and friends may call at Daigle Funeral home, Fort Kent on October 3 from 9:00 AM until time of funeral. Internment will be at St. Thomas Cemetery in Madawaska, Maine. Donations in his memory may be made to St. Louis Catholic Church 26 East Maine Street in Fort Kent, ME 04743, the Aroostook House of Comfort P.O. Box 867 in Presque Isle, ME 04769, or the charity of your choice.

KENNETH C. ZERNICKE

CARIBOU - Kenneth C. Zernicke, 58, died unexpectedly September 24, 2015 at Caribou. He was born in Limestone October 1, 1956 the son of Kenneth and Elizabeth (Caplin) Zernicke.

Ken was a 1975 graduate of Caribou High School and was an avid outdoorsman who loved to hunt and fish.

Surviving in addition to his mother of Presque Isle, are his daughter Jessica Holmes Zernicke of Gardiner, two brothers; Joe Bourgoine of New Sweden and Jeffrey Zernicke of Presque Isle. Many aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews.

Memorial services will be held at a later date. Arrangements by Mockler Funeral Home 24 Reservoir Street Caribou. www.mocklerfuneralhome.com

BY DMITRY ZHDANNIKOV
REUTERS

LONDON — Claude Dauphin, the powerful and influential oil and metals trader who built Trafigura into one of the world's biggest commodity players, died on Wednesday after a battle with cancer. He was 64.

The famously hardworking and secretive Frenchman, who shunned publicity throughout his four-decade career, died in Bogota, Colombia, where he was inspecting Trafigura's new facilities. He is survived by his wife and three children, the Swiss-based company said in a statement.

A former senior executive with famed trader and ex-U.S. fugitive Marc Rich, Dauphin was a towering figure in the commodity business, renowned for an exhaustive travel schedule, deep industry knowledge and a demanding work ethic — as well as an intense chain-smoking habit.

He also was France's 32nd richest person with a net worth of \$1.4 billion, according to Forbes.

He stepped down as chief executive of Trafigura for medical treatment last year, after overseeing the firm's 20-year expansion from a niche Latin America metals dealer to one of the three largest commodity traders,

moving 3 percent of the world's oil with turnover of more than \$120 billion in recent years — a more than 10-fold increase from a decade earlier.

Jeremy Weir, a mild-mannered Australian geologist with a banking background, has been running the company as CEO since then, although Dauphin remained executive chairman and continued to travel.

"He fought very hard. He never stopped," one of Trafigura's employees said. The company said his "capacity for hard work and energy were undiminished by his illness."

The trip to Colombia returned Dauphin to the region that launched his career. In 1977, after working several years in France for his father's scrap metals firm and as a metals broker, he moved to Bolivia to work for Rich, the father of modern oil trading. Within about a decade he had moved up to become the firm's chief oil trader.

As Rich's business suffered in the 1990s because of wrong bets in the metals markets, many of his junior managers pushed through a buyout to oust Rich and rename the company Glencore.

But Dauphin, who spoke highly of Rich, chose to set up his own company in 1993,

parting ways with former colleagues including Glencore's current chief Ivan Glasenberg.

"He was a respected competitor. Our thoughts and condolences are with his family and friends," Glasenberg said through a spokesman.

Dauphin owned about 20 percent of Trafigura, which has a book value of about \$6 billion and had a \$1.1 billion net profit last year. The rest belongs to senior management.

Dauphin's darkest days came when he spent almost six months behind bars in Ivory Coast in 2006-07 in pre-trial detention because of a dispute over toxic waste dumping.

Shortly after the material was dumped, residents of the city of Abidjan complained of illnesses. The government of Ivory Coast said 16 people died.

Trafigura said it entrusted the waste to a state-registered Ivorian company, Tommy, which dumped the material illegally at sites around Abidjan.

"We went to the Ivory Coast on a mission to help the people of Abidjan, and to find ourselves arrested and in jail as a result has been a terrible ordeal for ourselves and our families," Dauphin said at the time.

Trafigura paid a \$200 mil-

lion settlement, and the Ivory Coast prosecutor said that there was no evidence of any illegality or misconduct by any Trafigura staff.

Described by colleagues and rivals alike as a man of formidable drive, Dauphin was an enormous presence inside the company, known for delving deeply into his trader's deals. Growth was fueled by his "entrepreneurial ambition, a hands-on management style, and fierce attention to detail," according to a biography published by Trafigura.

"He was held in awe by the people I spoke with," said Craig Pirrong, a U.S. academic who spent days interviewing senior executives and traders — but not Dauphin — at Trafigura's headquarters in 2013.

Dauphin over the past decade took a very different approach to developing his company to that of Glencore.

He wanted it to remain private and chose to sell stakes in various divisions to strategic partners, including in its mid-stream unit Puma to Angolan investors and in its mining assets to Abu Dhabi investment firm Mubadala.

Under Dauphin, Trafigura also expanded ties with Russia's state oil firm Rosneft, becoming one of its biggest crude buyers, despite international sanctions.

A man without a war: Efforts to honor Connecticut Navy man killed in 1969

BY JESSE LEAVENWORTH
THE HARTFORD COURANT

MANCHESTER, Connecticut — Marshall H. McNamara died in the service of his country during the Vietnam War. Of that, there is no doubt.

The location of the Manchester native's death and the nature of his service, however, raise questions about where McNamara belongs on the nation's military honor roll.

Town Clerk Joe Camposeo began researching McNamara's record while trying to find family members of Manchester service men who were killed in Vietnam. The Wall That Heals, a traveling replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C., is to be installed in Center Memorial Park next week, and Camposeo has been working with local organizers to invite next of kin to the opening ceremony on Oct. 8.

Camposeo verified the Vietnam service of 13 of the 14 men whose names are on a Main Street monument to local men killed in the war, but he couldn't find McNamara's Vietnam connection.

Turns out that the career U.S. Navy man died well north of Vietnam, in the Sea of Japan off North Korea.

The fierce fighting in Southeast Asia coincided with the the depth of the nation's Cold War with the So-

viet Union and its communist allies, of which North Korea was a particularly hostile member.

McNamara, 34, a chief petty officer, served on an EC-121 Warning Star, a surveillance airplane that was part of the U.S. attempt to keep watch on its enemies. The plane carried about six tons of electronic equipment, with a radar dome on top and antennae on the belly to monitor radio communications.

Taking off from Japan on April 15, 1969 at 7 a.m., the crew's mission was to fly off the coast of North Korea, gathering intelligence, according to a National Security Agency report. The unarmed, propeller-driven plane was about six hours into the flight and still over international waters, according to U.S. government reports, when the pilot, Lt. Commander James Overstreet, received word that two North Korean fighter jets were coming his way.

The lumbering Lockheed was unable to escape and disappeared from radar at 1:47 p.m. after one of the MiG pilots fired a missile that obliterated the U.S. aircraft. Two bodies were later recovered; neither was McNamara. The entire crew was presumed dead.

"I can still remember that day," Larry McNamara, Marshall's older brother, said Wednesday.

He had taken a call from Marshall's wife in Japan, who told him about the incident and urged him to rush to his parents' home on Hemlock Street in Manchester before Navy representatives arrived.

"As I'm coming down the road, I see the U.S. Navy car parked right in front of the house," Larry McNamara, 85, said. "They didn't waste time."

Marshall McNamara was one of three brothers who grew up on Bridge Street in Manchester. Their father was an auto mechanic and their mother worked as a secretary in the fire department. A soccer player at Manchester High School, Marshall had been fascinated with aircraft, Larry McNamara said.

"He was a nut about flying," McNamara said.

Richard McNamara, 78, who lives in Florida, said his brother's name should be on the national Vietnam memorial.

"I certainly think that his name should be on the Wall," Richard McNamara said, "because he was in the service during that timeframe and I think, even though it didn't happen in Vietnam, I think it's all related."

Camposeo said that's one of his main questions. Although some reports on the shoot-down of the EC-121 are public, others still are classified. Was

the mission focused solely on North Korea, or could the crew have been doing surveillance related to the Vietnam War?

The town clerk said he is still trying to find answers. He plans to work on three fronts — talking to supervisors at the Vietnam memorial in Washington to determine if Marshall McNamara could qualify for inclusion; determining whether McNamara's name could be included on a proposed national Wall of Remembrance for the Korean War; and urging Connecticut's U.S. congressional delegation to help him obtain national recognition for the Manchester native.

"He died fighting for his nation," Camposeo said.

As for how McNamara's name ended up on the local Vietnam memorial, Camposeo said all he can determine from talking to people who were involved with raising the monument was that a relative or friend of McNamara had come forward when organizers were seeking names of slain service members.

Richard McNamara was quoted in a 1985 Courant story about the dedication of the local memorial bearing 14 names. He said the monument "means to me my brother will be remembered... He was one hell of a guy."

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