

OBITUARIES



HILDA A. (CARLE) TUFANKJIAN

HAMPDEN - It is with great sadness for the family, but with great joy for her that we announce the home going of Hilda A. (Carle) Tufankjian to be with her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, on Tuesday Nov 10, 2015.

February 25, 1925, was a foggy day when she was born at the Carle family farm in Princeton, Maine. She was the 3rd of 4 children born to Peter C. and Villa Mae (Orcutt) Carle ... the first 3 coming in rapid succession were known as "Shir-Pa-Hil" by family members.

Having skipped 8th grade, Hilda graduated at age 17 from Princeton High School as the class salutatorian. She attended U of M at Farmington for 2 years but left to marry Kendall Dunbar from Machias, a sailor she met on a bus ride and then wrote to until his return at the end of WWII. Their only child, Jacqueline, was born in 1946. Hilda spent her younger years as a stay at home mom, but in 1960 she graduated from U of M with a BA in Education. Hilda had taught a year provisionally in Winterport and then following a move to Augusta she began a 17 year career as an elementary school teacher at Williams School in Augusta.

"Mrs. T", as she is affectionately known, was a born again Christian. She had a quiet, unassuming and positive outlook on life, saw only the good in people, and always put others first. She had been an active member of Penney Memorial United Baptist in Augusta, Litchfield Baptist in Litchfield, and now attended Community Church of the Open Door in Hampden. She enjoyed Bible studies, either teaching or participating. She was very knowledgeable and in her later years read the Bible cover to cover twice.

Hilda was frugal, having grown up on a farm during the depression. She was an accomplished seamstress, knitter and gardener earning many ribbons at the local fair for her quilts, canned goods and clothing. Her favorite activities included reading, the daily crossword puzzle, cross country skiing, berry picking, biking and weed pulling, for which there was always a need.

In 1970 Hilda married Martin Tufankjian from Arlington, Mass. They resided together on the Indiana Road in W. Gardiner until his passing in 2000. They were inseparable and adored each other. Hilda was instrumental in Marty's acceptance of Christ as his savior.



Hilda adored her siblings and always said that her parents were as close to perfect as could be. She loved her mother unquestionably and admired her father as a model of what a Christian man should be.

Hilda is survived by her daughter, Jacqueline and son-in-law, Carlton Murch, with whom she lived; her stepdaughter, Karen Aharonian and her family of MA; her beloved granddaughters, Amy Slater and husband, Tom, of RI, Laura Closson and husband, Randy, of W. Gardiner and Melissa Libby and husband, Dale, of Old Town; great-grandchildren, Joshua and wife, Alyssa, Jennifer Litman and Tommy Slater of RI, Taylor and Kya Closson of W. Gardiner, and Jacob and wife, Katie, and Emily Potts of Bangor; her joy and amazement, her great-great-granddaughter, Lucy Marie Litman of RI; her siblings, Orcutt Carle and wife, Carolyn, of CT, Shirley Suneson of Texas and Parks Carle of Kennebunk; her dear nieces and nephews, Linda and husband, Russell, Janice and husband, Allen, of Texas, Peter and wife, Pat, of NJ, Gary and wife, Renee, Sarah and husband, Don, Ellen, Edward, and David of CT, Helen, Stephen and wife, Kathy, and Karen and husband, Steve of ME.

Hilda was predeceased by her parents; husband, Marty; brother-in-law, Vic Suneson; sister-in-law, Marilyn Carle; and niece, Judy Suneson.

There will be a memorial celebration of Hilda's life on Sat, Nov. 21, 2015, at 2 p.m. with refreshments following the service at the Community Church of the Open Door, Pastor Mark Fowler officiating.

In Hilda's memory, please choose to do an unexpected kindness to someone who cannot repay you. Gifts in her memory may be given to Community Church of the Open Door, P.O. Box 77, Hampden, ME 04444 or Litchfield Plains Baptist Church, 56 Plains Road, Litchfield, ME 04350. Interment will be at a later date in the Princeton, ME, cemetery. Grateful thanks go to her loving doctor, Kristin Thom, and her wonderful caregivers from Beacon Hospice, Noelle and Ann-Marie.

Hall's of Waldoboro has care of the arrangements. To extend online condolences, light a candle in Hilda's memory, or to share a story or picture, please visit her Book of Memories at www.hallfuneralhomes.com.

Death Notices

CAREY, Pauline 'Polly' Alice (Carney), Bangor and Bucksport, Nov. 10, 2015.

CURRAN, Katherine B., 77, Southwest Harbor and Bar Harbor, Nov. 10, 2015. Service 1 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 17, 2015, at Seal Cove Cemetery, Seal Cove. Jordan-Fernald, 1139 Main St., Mt. Desert.

CURRIER, Cary Barton, Frostproof, Fla., and Houlton; at Sebring, Fla., Nov. 8, 2015.

CUTLIFFE, Stella A., 94, Milford; at Bangor, Nov. 11, 2015. Direct Cremation of Maine, 182 Waldo Ave., Belfast.

FENNO, Mary Elizabeth (Pearson), 84, Machias, Nov. 10, 2015. Service 1 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 12, at Machias Valley Baptist Church.

FLORES, Robert D., 73, Waterville; at Augusta, Nov. 6, 2015. Direct Cremation of Maine, 182 Waldo Ave., Belfast.

FORBIS, Curtis L., 97, Brewer and Hampden; at Hampden, Nov. 8, 2015. Service 1 p.m. Friday, Nov. 13, at the Brewer Chapel of Brookings-Smith, 55 South Main St., Brewer.

GRAY, Vernon J. 71, Garland; at Garland, Nov. 8, 2015.

HANSON, Jean Stubbs, 92, Dover-Foxcroft, Nov. 8, 2015. Service 1 p.m. Nov. 22 at Gray Cemetery, Dover-Foxcroft. Lary Funeral Home.

HERSEY, Kevin L. Sr., 52, Houlton; at Houlton, Nov. 6, 2015. Direct Cremation of Maine, 182 Waldo Ave., Belfast.

HILLMAN, Richard F. Sr., 88, Baileyville; at Baileyville, Nov. 12, 2015. Mays Funeral Home, Calais and Eastport.

LONG, Geraldine Francis (Rossignol), 84, Ashland; at Ashland, Nov. 10, 2015. Service 1-3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 14, at 635 Presque Isle Road, Ashland.

MCALPINE, Rhoda Elizabeth 'Betty/Mim,' 82, Monroe; at Belfast, Nov. 10, 2015. Service 1 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 15, at Monroe Community Church, 28 W. Main St., Monroe. Hampden-Gilpatrick Chapel of Brookings-Smith, 45 Western Ave., Hampden.

PATRICK, Peggy, 63, Linneus; at Houlton, Nov. 12, 2015. Bowers Funeral Home, Houlton.

PAUL, Chrissy Fae, 31, Presque Isle; at Presque Isle, Nov. 6, 2015. Service 2 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 17, 2015, at Duncan-Graves Funeral Home, 30 Church St., Presque Isle.

POWERS, Sharon N., 73, Greenville and Dover-Foxcroft, 73, Nov. 10, 2015. Service 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, at Charleston Pentecostal Church. Lary Funeral Home, Dover-Foxcroft.

REED, Jason P., 49, Fort Fairfield, Saturday, Nov. 7, 2015. Giberson-Dorsey Funeral Home, 144 Main St., Fort Fairfield.

SMART, Gregory Allan, 68, Millersburg, Ohio; at Wooster, Ohio, Nov. 8, 2015. Alexander Funeral Home, Millersburg, Ohio.

TUCKER, L. Lionell, Ellsworth, Nov. 10, 2015. Service 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 14, at Forest Hill Cemetery, Northeast Harbor. Jordan-Fernald, 113 Franklin St., Ellsworth.

TUFANKJIAN, Hilda A. (Carle), Hampden, Nov. 10, 2015. Hall's of Waldoboro.



L. LIONELL TUCKER

ELLSWORTH - On Tuesday, November 10, 2015, L. Lionell Tucker went to Heaven to join his wife of 65 years, Joan Willey Tucker. Lionell was born on March 26, 1926, in Cherryfield, Maine, to the late Hoyt B. and Maude M. Tucker.

After graduating as Salutatorian from Cherryfield Academy, Lionell enlisted in the United States Navy to serve his Country during World War II. After Naval Training in Sampson, New York, Lionell took a train to San Diego, where he joined the crew on Landing Craft Infantry LCI 1057. From 1944-1946, Lionell served as a Signalman 3rd Class in the Pacific including the Battle of Okinawa. Signalman Tucker earned the WWII Victory Medal, American Area Medal and the Asiatic Pacific Area Medal (1 Star).

Lionell married the love of his life Joan W. Tucker and they moved to Northeast Harbor to raise their family. He did carpentry and painting at many of the summer homes and eventually worked for Mrs. Flagler Harris followed by Henry F. and Penelope Harris. Lionell loved to read and was a self-educated man who learned the Latin names and many nuances of the flowers and plants he was so passionate about. The garden and grounds he so lovingly tended for more than 40 years for the Harris family were featured in many a book, magazine and garden tours.

Lionell once drew a family tree showing the lives that grew from the original branch he and Joan created including: Persis Tucker Jordan and husband, William "Bill" Jordan, of Machias,

Russell Tucker and wife, Alice, Anne Tucker of Trenton and their youngest daughter, Stacy Helen Tucker-Stanley and husband, Anthony "Tony" Stanley Jr., of Greater Portland. They were blessed with six grandchildren: grandson, Shawn Sprague of Bar Harbor, grandson, Willey Jordan and wife, Jennifer, of Brewer, granddaughter, Nettie-Kate Jordan of Machias and granddaughters, Britt and Heather Tucker; plus five great-grandchildren: Lukas, Erik and Aubrey Jordan, Henry and Eliza Sprague. Siblings include Lawrence, Alice, Brian and Elizabeth "Libby" Smith. He was predeceased by grandson, Joshua S. Sprague; and by a brother, Alan. His wife Joan passed away on June 28, 2015, and after a few heart-broken months apart, they are now reunited again in Heaven.

Besides his enthusiasm for reading, Lionell loved his cats, the outdoors and enjoyed hunting around Tunk Mountain. He was a member of the Cherryfield and Northeast Harbor Masonic Lodges and attended the Union Church of Northeast Harbor.

Graveside Services will be held 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 14, 2015, at Forest Hill Cemetery, Northeast Harbor. Donations in honor of Lionell Tucker may be made to the Cherryfield Academy Community Center, 53 Main Street, Cherryfield, ME 04622 or to the Josh Sprague Scholarship Fund, care of The First, P.O. Box 258, Bar Harbor, ME 04609. Arrangements by Jordan-Fernald, 113 Franklin St., Ellsworth. Condolences may be expressed at www.jordanfernald.com.



PAULINE 'POLLY' ALICE CAREY

BANGOR and BUCKSPORT - Pauline Alice (Carney) Carey passed over peacefully on Tuesday, Nov. 10, 2015, with her loving family by her side. She was born on May 29, 1931, the second daughter of Vernon and Mildred (Smith) Carney.

She was raised on Verona Island, where she attended the two-room schoolhouse in her early years. She was a graduate of Bucksport High School, class of 1949. She was very proud to have been the Prom Queen. Polly loved her high school years and still maintained friendships from those years. She loved telling stories from her youth to her children and her grandsons. She always said she wished everyone had as happy a childhood as she did. Polly had six brothers and sisters, and with her parents, there was always laughter in the home while they were growing up. Their home was filled with friends who loved to be around the Carney family. There was always room at the table for everyone.

She was a well known key punch operator when computers were just being utilized in area businesses. She worked in many offices, including St. Regis, the Verso Mill in Bucksport, Bangor Hydro, B&A Railroad and the Eastern Corporation. Polly started a new career later on working for PAGEmployment as their director of placements for the last 29 years. She worked for companies to find them just the right person for their job openings. Polly had a great empathy for the abused, poor and homeless. She worked with them when others had given up. She was well respected in the field and was never too busy to give encouragement to someone who had suddenly found themselves without a job. She took great pride that many had gone on to further their education in which she had encouraged them to do. She volunteered her time at Philip Strickland Home and EMMC. Polly was a long time member of the Al-Anon Family Groups in the Bangor area in which she proudly helped to originate many years ago. She was an associate member of the

Burton-Good-Sargent Chapter of the Korean War Veterans Association of Bangor, member of the YWCA Encore Group for breast cancer survivors and member of the Uptown Business and Professional Women. One of her favorite interests was watching the World Champions Boston Red Sox in which she was very loyal. She never saw a game she didn't like!

Polly gave unconditional love to her 3 children and 5 grandsons. She recently became a first time great-grandmother to Myles Avett, in which she was extremely proud. Polly was the best Mother and Nana that anyone could ever be blessed with. She was truly a blessing.

Polly is survived by her three children, Stephen R. Carey and his wife, Dawn, of Bangor, Gwendolyn S. Carey and Diane M. Carey, both of Bangor. She is also survived by her five beloved grandsons who loved their Nana dearly, Dana L. Carey and Tina Byers of Kenduskeag, Richard R. Carey of Portland, Ryan J. Carey and his wife, Selina, and their son, Myles Avett, of Portland, Thomas S. Carey of San Diego, California, and Travis S. Carey of Bangor. She leaves behind her two sisters, Geraldine Baxter of Bucksport and Viola Nickerson of Searsport; and two brothers, William Carney and his wife, Helen, of Saco and Richard Carney and his wife, Jean, of Vassellboro. She leaves many nieces, nephews and their families and many friends, who will miss her greatly. She was predeceased by her parents; and two of her brothers, Donald Carney, in 2002, and Robert Carney, in 2010. She was also predeceased by the father of her children, Richard C. Carey, who passed over in 2012.

A memorial service will be held at a later date for the family. Burial will be at the Riverview Cemetery in N. Bucksport. Those who wish to remember Polly, please send donations to Bangor Area Homeless Shelter, 263 Main St., Bangor, ME 04401 or Peace Ridge Animal Sanctuary, 653 Back Ridge Road, Penobscot, ME 04476.

JASON P. REED

FORT FAIRFIELD - Jason P. Reed, 49, passed away unexpectedly on Saturday, November 7, 2015, as the result of a tragic auto accident.

In keeping with the family's wishes, services will be private. Interment will take place at the St. Denis Catholic Cemetery, Fort Fairfield. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Giberson-Dorsey Funeral Home, 144 Main Street, Fort Fairfield.

To sign an online guest book or to view a full obituary, please visit www.gibersondorseyfuneralhome.com



In Memoriam

In Loving Memory Of
RICHARD BENNETT



Forever in our hearts. Until we meet again. Love you forever. Your family

CARY BARTON CURRIER

FROSTPROOF, Fla., and HOULTON - Cary Barton Currier passed away on Sunday, November 8, 2015, in Sebring, Florida, with his dear friend,s Al and Mary George of New Hampshire and Frostproof, Florida, by his side. Cary was born in Houlton, Maine on February 3, 1951, the son C.R. Bill and Jeanette Currier.

He graduated from Houlton High School in 1969. Cary was a U.S. Air Force veteran of the Vietnam era. He was a truck driver for many years until cancer forced him to retire.

He is survived by his daughters, Kimberly Pahel of Ellsworth, Maine and Jeanette Currier of Ludlow, Maine, and a great-granddaughter, Sydney Pahel. Cary leaves behind his mother, Jeanette Currier of New Limerick, Maine; his brother Chip and wife Dina of Houlton, Maine; his brother Robin of California; and brother Jay of New Limerick, Maine.

Cary was a member of the American Legion Post #47 of Houlton, Maine.

Cary wished to be cremated. A celebration of his life will be held at a later date.



GERALDINE FRANCIS (ROSSIGNOL) LONG

ASHLAND - Geraldine Francis (Rossignol) Long, 84, passed away after a long illness on November 10, 2015, at her residence. She was born on January 22, 1931, in Limestone, the daughter of Frank and Louise (McFarlin) Rossignol.

She is survived by 5 children, 17 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren, 2 great-great-grandchildren and 3 brothers. In addition to her parents, Geraldine was predeceased by her husband, 2 sons, 4 sisters and 2 brothers.

A gathering will be held 1-3 p.m. Saturday, November 14, 2015, at 635 Presque Isle Road, Ashland. Interment will be held in the spring. Online condolences may be expressed at www.duncan-graves.com.