

OBITUARIES



CARLISTA PAINE

NEWPORT AND HURRICANE, W.V. - Carlista Paine, 88, left this earth to be with the Lord Dec. 4, 2015 at the Hubbard Hospice House in Charleston, West Virginia after a long illness.

She was born in Orono, Maine on June 30, 1927 the daughter of Archibald and Vivian (Sinclair) Earley.

Carlista was married to Malcolm "Mac" R. Paine for 54 years. He predeceased her on June 11, 2000. Following "Mac's" death, Clis moved to Hurricane W.V. to be with her daughter Sandra, where she had made her home. Clis taught ceramics classes and made porcelain dolls for many years in Newport and Palmyra. She and her husband also owned and operated a wood craft shop in Palmyra known as Country Wood - N - Things.

Clis was predeceased by her parents Archibald "Babe" and Vivian (Sinclair) Earley, her brother James "Jimmy" Earley, her husband Malcolm "Mac" Paine, and a great grandchild Elisha Chapman.

She is survived by her daughters, Sharon O'Leary and her life partner John Rust of Florida, Sandra Buckland and her husband Val of West Virginia, 2 brothers, and their wives, Charles and Avis Earley of Virginia, Regional and Maggie Earley of Alton, her sister and husband, Judy And Ray Tate of Florida, a sister-in-law Evelyn Hawthorne of Newport, four granddaughters and their husbands; Rachael and Joey Gamble of Florida, Rebecca and Robbie Thibodeau of Bangor, Shelley and Patrick Coleman of West Virginia, Sherri and Matt Chapman of Tennessee, 11 great grandchildren Brooke Scarbo, Chely Thibodeau, Caleb Chapman and his wife Sara, Bentley Scarbro, Emily Chapman, Chelsea Welch, Sam Chapman, Anna Chapman, Nichole Gamble, Ben Coleman, Katie Chapman, and one great grandchild Josiah Malcolm Chapman, and several nieces and nephews.

Friends may call Friday Dec. 11, 2015 from 12 noon until time of service at 1 PM at the Brown Funeral Home and Cremation Service Center 34 High Street Newport Maine. Burial will be in the family lot Corinthian Cemetery Corinth, Maine. In lieu of flowers please make memorial donations to the Hubbard Hospice house 1001 Curtis Price Way Charleston, West Virginia 25311. To sign an online guest book and leave written condolences please visit: www.PhilipBrownFuneralHome.com

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BETTY ELLISON

ETNA - Betty (Masterman) Ellison, 85, died peacefully Thursday Dec. 3, 2015 at her Etna home after a long illness.

She was born in York England May 31, 193 the only daughter of John and Charlette (Moore) Masterman.

Betty was raised in England and in 1954 she met her future husband (Ernest D. Ellison) at a dance, it was love at first sight. They were married on Oct. 16, 1954 in the first double ring ceremony in England. They came to America shortly after their marriage. Ernest was in the U.S.A.F and was stationed at Lake Charles, Louisiana. Their son John was born in Sept. of 1956.

Betty was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, Nokomis Chapter, and was a member of the Scarlett Foxes of the Red Hat group.

Betty was a 40 year cancer survivor.

She is survived by her son and only child, John Ellison and his wife Belle of Etna, two granddaughters, Alison Harris of Etna, Tiffany Ellison of Newport, four great grandsons; Kyle, Austin, Jeremy, and Gene.

She was predeceased by her parents, her husband Ernest D. Ellison, and her brother Jack Masterman.

Betty was a member of the Carmel Union Congregational Church and attended the High Street Congregational Church in Newport.

Friends may call Wednesday Dec. 9, 2015 from 6 to 7 PM at the Brown Funeral Home and Cremation Service Center 34 High St Newport with an Order of the Eastern Star service at 6:30pm at the Funeral Home. Memorial services will be conducted Thursday Dec. 10, 2015 at 1PM at the High Street Congregational Church with Rev. Ernest Campbell pastor officiating. Burial will be in the Pleasant Hill Cemetery Etna. Friends who wish may make memorial donations in her memory to Caring Connections c/o Bangor YMCA 17 2nd Street, Bangor, Maine 04401.

To sign an online guest book and leave written condolences please visit: www.PhilipBrownFuneralHome.com

Free sleigh rides

NEWPORT — Burgess Tree Farm is offering complementary sleigh rides 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday at the farm, 17 Burgess Road. No reservations or tickets required.

Wreath workshop

BANGOR — Bind your own evergreen wreath with soft pine, cedar and fir, then personalize from a selection of decorations, 2-3 p.m. Saturday at the Maine Discovery Museum, 74 Main St.

Each project is \$5. Recommended for ages 3 and up. Information, call 262-7200.



JOHN CRAWFORD LOWREY

HOULTON - John Crawford Lowrey, 69, passed away on Friday, December 4, 2015 in Helotes, TX. He was born in Houlton, ME on March 1, 1946 to Frederick and Marjorie Lowrey.

He served in the Air Force and was a Vietnam veteran; and was a Master Mason, Monument Lodge #96, in Houlton, ME. He farmed potatoes alongside his father on his family's farm in Aroostook County, worked as a trailer trucker and was the winner of several "safe driver" awards. John was an avid and accomplished woodworker and cabinet maker. His passion was making Shaker-style furniture and boxes, which he pursued through his business "STIX." John was adored by everyone, never met a stranger and loved animals.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Frederick D. Lowrey.

Survivors include his wife, Paula Sue Shaw Lowrey; children, John A. Lowrey of Chesapeake, VA, Jill R. (Lowrey) Brown of Longwood, FL, and Thomas O. Lowrey of Houlton, ME; grandchildren, James, Christina, Megan and Abbey; and a sister, Joyce Ann (Lowrey) Udell of Jonesborough, TN. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given to the San Antonio Humane Society, 4804 Fredericksburg Rd, San Antonio, TX 78229.

A gathering will be held at a later date.

You are invited to sign the Guestbook at www.porterloring.com.

Arrangements with Porter Loring Mortuary North, 2102 North Loop 1604 East, San Antonio, TX 78232 - (210) 495-8221

Midweek farmers market announces Bangor schedule

BANGOR — The Ohio Street winter farmers market will be open 2-6 p.m. every other Wednesday, starting Dec. 9, at Bangor Grange Hall, 1192 Ohio St.

The following vendors are expected to participate:

- Farnetta Farm: beef, lamb, chicken and eggs.
 - Island Farm Bakery: soups, baked beans, dips, pizza and oven-ready meals.
 - Leaves and Blooms Greenhouse: yeast breads, baked goods, eggs, vegetables, plants and wreaths.
 - Rollins Orchards: apples, cider, vegetables, milk and dairy products and eggs.
 - The Wholegrain Bake Shop: gluten-free baked goods.
 - Downeast Beads: hand-made jewelry and beading supplies.
- For information, call 973-3976.

BETTY M. DUBE

MIL0 - Betty M. Dube, 77, wife of the late Roland Dube, passed away peacefully December 4, 2015, at Mayo Regional Hospital, Dover-Foxcroft. She was born May 2, 1938, in Milo, the daughter of Charles F. and Hazel G. (Bishop) Allen.

A graduate of Higgins Classical Institute, Betty married Roland Dube on May 7, 1989. She worked for many years as a cook at DeLaites Restaurant.

Betty is survived by two sons, Ronald Mullens and his wife, Sherry, and Frederick Mullens and his wife, Mollie; a daughter, Donna Alley and her husband, David; a brother, Carroll Allen and his wife, Celia; grandchildren, Justin, Kendra, Wesley, Rebecca, Jaimie, Allysson, and Adam. She leaves five great-grandchildren, and special friends, Maddy Gifford, Nora Roberts, Sandra Genthner, and several others.

Betty's family is deeply appreciative of the loving care she received while at Mayo Regional Hospital.

Friends are invited to call from 10am until time of a memorial service at 11am, Thursday, December 10, 2015, at the Lary Funeral Home, Milo, with Pastor Phil McLaughlin officiating. Burial will be in Evergreen Cemetery, Milo. Donations in Betty's honor may be made to Pine Tree Hospice, 883 W Main Street, Dover-Foxcroft 04426. Condolences and memories may be expressed at www.laryfuneralhome.com.

KIM B. THOMPSON

AUGUSTA - Kim B. Thompson, age 67, died Friday, December 4, 2015 at his home with his wife and dog near by. He was born in Bangor, ME on June 21, 1948, son of Bernard and Gertrude (Rossignol) Thompson.

Kim was a graduate of Fort Fairfield High School and the University of Maine at Orono where he earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Engineering Physics and his Master's Degree in Systems Engineering.

He served in the US Army from 1970 to 1973. In 1971 he married Jane Blackwell.

He was employed for over 20 years at Bangor and Aroostook Railroad as a computer programmer, retired from OSI, then worked for several years after retirement at LL Bean.

Kim enjoyed many outdoor activities including cycling, cross-country skiing and hiking with his family, especially at Acadia National Park. He took pleasure in gardening and laying up the winter's supply of firewood. Kim was an avid knitter, and had recently taken up wood carving.

He was a member of the Maine Astronomical Society, Kennebec Carvers and the Maine Freewheelers.

Mr. Thompson was predeceased by his father, Bernard Thompson.

He is survived by his wife of 44 years, Jane (Blackwell)

Thompson of Augusta; three daughters: Susan Thompson and her husband Steven Fisher of Randolph, NH, Mary Bentley and her husband Jerrod of New Gloucester and Catherine Lee and her husband Michael of Eau Claire, WI; his mother, Gertrude (Rossignol) Thompson of Hermon; four sisters: Glenda Dow and her husband David of East Corinth, Sheila Schoolcraft and her husband William of Garland, Carla Thompson of Malden, MA and Sally Bernier and her husband Jeffrey of Hutto, TX; three grandchildren: Andrew and Jacob Bentley and Madeline Lee as well as many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Friends and family are invited to a memorial gathering on Sunday, December 13th any time between 2 and 4 PM at the Viles Arboretum, 153 Hospital St., Augusta, ME.

Those who wish may make donations in Kim's memory to either: Kennebec Valley Humane Society, 10 Pet Haven Lane, Augusta, ME, 04330, or the Blackwell Family Scholarship Fund, payable to the University of Maine Foundation, Two Alumni Place, Orono, ME, 04469-5792.

Arrangements are under the direction of Plummer Funeral Home, 16 Pleasant St., Augusta, ME.

Condolences, photos and memories may be shared at www.plummerfh.com.

On veterans who are 90 and 80

"Pearl Harbor. The Arizona, you could still see. And the Oklahoma had been raised and painted with this yellow paint that they used. But it had no superstructure. The deck was completely flat. Taken out to West Loch and left at anchor. They junked it. Of course the Arizona was off Ford Island. That would be across from where we were, and down."

This was my dad's description of his first view of Pearl Harbor in the summer of 1944, when he was aboard Landing Craft Infantry 565. It comes from the interview I did with him — and later transcribed — for the 50th anniversary of the Battle of Leyte Gulf in the Philippines.

I share this with you today not just because of Pearl Harbor Day on Monday, Dec. 7, the 74th anniversary of the day the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor in the Hawaiian Islands and drew the United States into the Pacific Theater of World II.

I share it because Galen Cole recently turned 90. If I were to tell you one fact about Cole Land Transportation Museum, which will open for the new season May 1 on Perry Road in Bangor, it is this: Out of 450,000 visitors in the past quarter-century, one-third of them were youngsters age 18 and under — all of whom were admitted free.

Most of the older students who participated in the museum's Veterans Interview Program by talking with a war veteran in small groups of three or four youngsters have wound up their time with a veteran by receiving a challenge from Galen Cole.

First he asks the students if they will remember the time they spent with a veteran for the rest of their lives. Then he challenges them to promise to go home and interview a veteran in their own family. Nearly all raise their hands to indicate they will.

On days when Cole doesn't quite have the fizz to issue the challenge, museum director Jim Neville, a retired Marine and veteran of the Iraq War, brings his own enthusiasm to bear for the challenge.

Both men know how much it means to these veterans to have someone interested in what they did, how they served, what they went through and why freedom isn't free.

I'm here to tell you what it means that I can pick up a notebook and flip to pages where my dad talks to me about his experience in World War II. As I read those words, his voice is still as clear as a bell. (Yes, I have the tape somewhere, as well.)

Do interview your dad or your mom or your uncle or your neighbor or your classmate. Write it up afterward, just as it was said — no need for fancy editing or interpretation.

I promise you that doing so will establish a connection that will survive, that will outlast the actual experience. If your veteran was alive in

1940 or 1930, he or she probably would enjoy seeing a copy of the U.S. Census page listing the family that year.

No one person can interview everyone, but I have Chuck Knowlen on my wish list. You may know Chuck from his work with the Maine Troop Greeters or with the Veterans Interview Program. Likely you've seen him on recent public service announcements as a recipient of the To Those Who Care Award — well-deserved, I might add.

In a recent letter to the editor in the BDN, Chuck acknowledged he is 80. Now that shocked me. How can he be 80? He was in the Vietnam War, and those veterans are young — ish.

Find yourself a veteran and interview him or her. Perhaps members of your historical society could do the same with other community veterans, creating a collective treasure that will endure.

Ninety isn't so old, and certainly not 80. I once interviewed a World War II veteran who was 104. And I'm glad I did.

But the best interview was my dad, and now I have that to pass on to my grandchildren.

For information on researching family history in Maine, see Genealogy Resources under Family Ties at bangordailynews.com/browse/family-ties. Send genealogy queries to Family Ties, Bangor Daily News, P.O. Box 1329, Bangor 04402, or email familyti@bangordailynews.com.



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