

OBITUARIES



KARLA G. KURRY

BREWER - Karla G. Kurry, of 54 Madison Ave., Brewer, ME, passed away in the arms of her family on February 17, 2016, in Danvers, MA. She was born Karla Rae Gardner on October 16, 1953 to her parents, Herbert and Alice Martin Gardner. Karla grew up in Ashland, ME and attended high school there. Throughout her life, she was dedicated to the people of the Advent Christian Church and their work with the youth choir.

Karla & Robert, her husband of 40 years, were an inspiration to many. She was first and foremost a loving wife, with a great sense of humor, who could face any obstacle with laughter and compassion. It was her sense of compassion for others that led Karla to pursue a career in social work and justice for others. She earned her BA in Social Work and Criminal Justice from The University of Southern Maine, and her Master of Social Work from U Conn Hartford. She practiced as a Licensed Clinical Social Worker for the State of Maine for 30 years. During this time she dedicated herself to advocating for the rights of hundreds of people and helping them reach their God given potential. Karla's friends and family valued her friendship, kindness, and good counsel.

Karla spent her free time gardening, and enjoyed time on the Maine Coast on day trips with her husband, Bob. She also loved dearly her many cats over the years, especially JoJo. Antiquing and auction going were also among her favorite hobbies.

Karla is preceded in death by her parents, Alice and Herbert Gardner; brother, Bruce; and sister, Betty Gardner Smith.

Karla is survived by her husband, Robert; her brother, Michael and wife Pamela Gardner and their family, of Villa Ridge, MO; and son, Jorma Kurry, his wife, Karin and grandson Iain, of Falmouth, ME. She will also miss by her sisters and brothers in-law. Aunt Karla will be missed by her many beloved nieces, nephews, and cousins.

There will be a private service and a memorial in the summer. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the Ashland Advent Christian Church Youth Choir.



JOYCE E. ALLEN

MONSON - Joyce E. Allen, 86, died February 20, 2016, at Mayo Regional Hospital in Dover-Foxcroft. She was born in Monson, April 21, 1929, the daughter of Arthur and Edna (Champion) Haggstrom.

Joyce dedicated her time to family, friends, and various civic organizations in Monson including the Monson UCC Guild and Sunshine Club. She enjoyed spending summers at Camp Ketchawink and entertaining on holidays and birthdays.

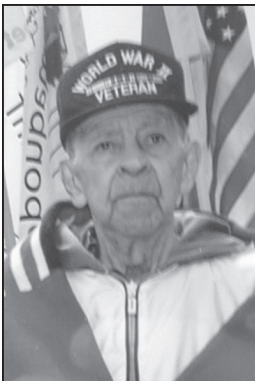
As her adored grandchildren grew, they would spend many hours swimming at Meme's cottage at Lake Hebron. The grandchildren would pace back and forth at the dock and Meme would say, "1 for the money, 2 for the show, 3 to get ready, and 4 to go," and splash. Meme's directive never failed and will always be remembered fondly by her grandchildren.

She was predeceased by her husband of 58 years, Paul Byron Allen in 2006; sister, Althea French and husband, Harold; brother-in-law, Clarence Allen; and son-in-law, Jonathan Grout. She is survived by 4 children and their spouses, Kennard and Gayle of Monson, Dwain and Janet Sawyer of Dover-Foxcroft, Rodney and Elaine of RI, and Donna Grout of MA; 8 grandchildren, Daina (Morgan) Markella, Tom (Holly), Kennard (Vanessa), Kirk, Megan (Matt) Jackins, David, Faith and James; a great-granddaughter, Ruby Rose, and soon to arrive, Lydia; 2 great-grandsons, Zen and Greyson; special nephew and niece, James French and his wife, Sherry of Guilford and Nancy Taylor of Dover-Foxcroft; and two special ladies, Lisa Kelley and Dawn MacPherson-Allen.

The family would like to thank the staff and caregivers at Main Street West, Hibbard Nursing Home and Mayo Regional Hospital for their outstanding care and comfort for Joyce and family.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Monson Fire Department, care of Monson Town Office, P.O. Box 308, Monson ME 04464. A memorial service and graveside service will be held later in the spring in Monson. Arrangements by Crosby & Neal, Guilford. For an online guest register, go to

www.CrosbyNeal.com.



DAVID A. FRANCIS, SR.

PLEASANT POINT - David Anthony Francis Sr., 99, passed away Friday, February 26, 2016 at Maine Veterans Home in Bangor. David was born in Pleasant Point on January 23, 1917, son of the late John and Mary (Sabattus) Francis.

He attended school at St. Anne's in Pleasant Point and graduated from Shead High School. David entered the US Army and served during WWII. After his service he returned home and married Marion Neptune on May 19, 1949.

David did carpentry work as well as picking blueberries and potatoes, was the maintenance person for Dr. Bates, Guilford Industries, and eventually worked with the Pleasant Point Tribal Government helping preserve the Passamaquoddy Language. He was instrumental in getting a comprehensive Passamaquoddy Dictionary published, earning him an Honorary PhD with the University of Maine at the age of 91. David enjoyed collecting coins and cans, going for walks, helping at the Pleasant Point Museum, and sharing his stories and experiences.

In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by a son, David Francis Jr.; a daughter Mary Theresa Altwater; grandson Majik Francis; a brother Sabatus; and two sisters, Susie and Evelyn. Surviving are his loving wife of 66 years, Marion Francis; eight children, Christina Georgantis and husband Robert Sr. of Pleasant Point, Martin Francis and wife Cyril of Pleasant Point, Michael Francis and wife Kathy of Calais, Paul Francis and wife Viola of Pleasant Point, Merlin Francis and wife Lori of Orono, Susan Leighton and husband Tom of Brewer, Noel Francis of Pleasant Point, and Clarie Ohmeis and husband James of Southwest Harbor; numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren; brother-in-law Andrew Dana of Pleasant Point; sister-in-law Clara Polches of Fredericton, NB; and many nieces and nephews.

Visiting hours will begin 11 a.m. Sunday, February 28, 2016 at David's home, 4 Middle Road, Pleasant Point, until Tuesday at 9 a.m. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated by Father Kevin Martin 10 a.m. Tuesday, March 1, 2016, at St. Joseph R.C. Church in Eastport. Burial with military honors will follow in the Tribal Cemetery, Pleasant Point. Arrangements by Mays Funeral Home, Calais & Eastport. Condolences and memories may be shared at www.maysfuneralhome.com



GUY TOMPKINS

EASTON AND WESTFIELD - Guy Tompkins, 93, passed away Tuesday, February 23, 2016 at a Presque Isle health care facility. He was born March 14, 1922 in British Columbia, Canada, the son of Harvey and Pearl Tompkins.

Guy attended East Ridge Union Church of Mars Hill, his favorite hymn was When the account was settled years ago, was an avid Red Sox Fan and enjoyed spending time at Al's Diner in Mars Hill.

He is survived by his cousin Faye Kimball of Westfield, good friends Jay Brewer, Bob Tweedie, Lawrence Beals, Jim Taylor and Harry Orser. He will also be missed by many friends at Southern Acres Boarding Home in Westfield.

In addition to his parents, Guy was predeceased by his brothers Willard and Fred Tompkins.

Friends and family may call from 2:30-3:30pm on Monday, February 29, 2016 at Duncan Funeral Home, 8 Main Street in Mars Hill. Donations in his memory may be made to East Ridge Union Church P.O. Box 45 Mars Hill, ME 04758. A graveside service will be held in the spring at Estes Park Cemetery in Easton, Pastor Lawrence Beals officiating. Memories and condolences may be expressed at www.duncan-graves.com

KENDALL "BO" A. LARRABEE

JONESPORT AND ADDISON - Kendall "Bo" A. Larrabee passed away February 17, 2016. He was born February 21, 1929, in Jonesport, the son of the late Hallie D. and Beatrice L. (Thompson) Larrabee.

Kendall attended schools in Massachusetts and New Hampshire. He worked for 20 years on wrapping machines at the William Underwood Company. He also drove fish trucks for Emerson Lobster Bait Company for many years. During his school years and after, Kendall enjoyed playing basketball and baseball. Over the years, he also enjoyed singing country western with Barbara Hatt.

Kendall is survived by one godchild; and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his three sisters, Phyllis Crowley, Madelyn Peabody and Faye Larrabee; two brothers, Neal and Wayne Larrabee; special friend, Harrison Brown, and professional baseball player and friend, Rodney Keach, who Kendall played ball with.

Spring interment will take place at Bay View Cemetery, Machiasport. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Bay View Cemetery Association, Machiasport. Arrangements are under the care of Bragdon-Kelley Funeral Home, Machias.

VERA A COLLINS

BRADLEY - Vera A. (Morrison) Collins passed away on February 19, 2016 with her family around her. She was born on July 1, 1935 to Walter and Mary (Malley) Morrison. She graduated from Woodland High School class of 1953.

In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by her husband, Forrest Collins, three sons, Scott, Dwight and Forrest, Jr., a daughter, Kitty, and her brother Leo Morrison.

She is survived by two daughters, Candace and Torri, and a son, Michael. Two sister-in-laws, Jeanette Collins and Kay Morrison. Two daughter-in-laws, Elaine Foster and Marla Collins.

Vera was also blessed with 10 grandchildren, she loved them all dearly, Michelle, Scott, Stephen, Kelly, Kristen, Karyn, Keith, Darci, Jason and Mark and 10 great grandchildren, Matthew, Joshua, Sydney, Allie, Dylan, Brooke, Isobel, Colin, John and Ashley.

She thanks all her bingo friends that helped her over the years as well as neighbors Paul, Erika and Joanne.

Vera loved to joke, tease and she was the master of a good zinger. So live, love and laugh.

A spring service and interment at Woodlawn Cemetery in Brewer is planned. If you would like to make a donation in her name to Brewer Food Pantry, 222 Main St., Brewer, ME 04412, please do so.

In Memoriam

In Loving Memory Of
RAYLAN BRASSLETT
May 07, 1946 - Feb 28, 2015



It's been a year since we lost you that left a big hole in our hearts. We all try to go on without you but it's very difficult.

They say there is a reason
They say that time will heal
But neither time nor reason
Will change the way we feel
For no-one knows
the heartaches
That lies behind our smiles

No-one knows
how many times
We have broken
down and cried
We want to tell
you something
So there won't be any doubt
You're so wonderful
to think of
But so hard to be without

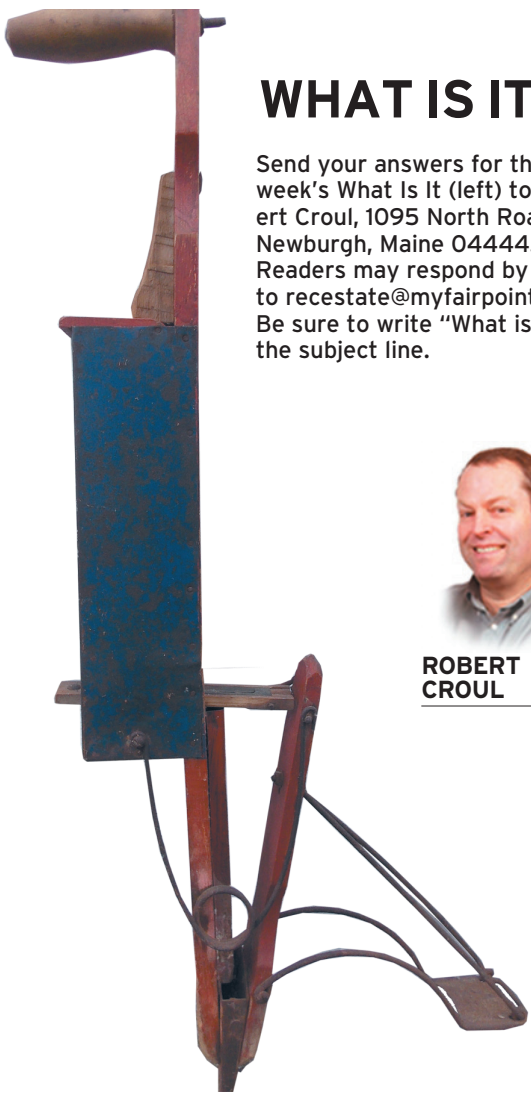
Missed so much by wife,
Ruthena, children Kurt, Todd
and Michelle, Rayette and
Aaron, your grandchildren
Mom Helen, brothers, Tony,
Gordon and Patty

WHAT IS IT?

Send your answers for this week's What Is It (left) to: Robert Croul, 1095 North Road, Newburgh, Maine 04444. Readers may respond by email to recestate@myfairpoint.net. Be sure to write "What is it?" in the subject line.



ROBERT
CROUL



This What Is It was correctly identified as an antique laundry agitator/plunger by Erny Levesque of Saint David, Ted Bromage of Somesville, Sally Philbrick of Monroe and Erwin Flewelling of Northport.



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