# **OBITUARIES**



**ROYCE DEL ROBERTSON** BROCKTON, MA AND SMYRNA MILLS - Royce Del

Robertson, 65, died May 15, 2015 with his family at his side. He was born April 24, 1950 in Rapid City, SD, the son of Darrell Keith Robertson Sr. and Mer-"Trinket" (Cooper) Robertson.

Del was a graduate of Oakfield High school and a veteran serving 4 years in the US Air Force.

Del was survived by his mother of Oakfield; 5 siblings, Lynn Glidden of Patten, Lisa Robertson of Smyrna, Darrell Keith Robertson Jr. of Smyrna Mills, Wendy Robertson of Milford, Judith James of Townsend, Mass; many nieces, nephews and cousins; his long time friend, Harold Clark. He was predeceased by his father. He will be missed by his spiritual family at the Randolf Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses. A special thank you to the doctors, nurses and volunteers at the Brockton VA Hospital for the many years of loving care.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, May 30, 2015, 4:00pm at Bowers Funeral Home in Island Falls. Interment to follow at Smyrna Mills Cemetery. In lieu of flowers please send donations to Fisher House Foundation, Inc., 111 Rockville Pike, Ste. 420, Rockville, MD 20850-5000. Arrangements by Bowers Funeral Home, Island Falls.

#### JANET WINCHELL **COSTAIN**

BANGOR - Janet Winchell Costain joined her husband, Harlie Costain in heaven on May 21, 2015. She was born to Albert Winchell Sr. and Jeannette Morrison Boyd on July 24, 1919.

She is survived by two sons and their wives, Peter and Betty Rogers of Eva, TN, Charles and Debbie Rogers of Lakewood, CO. She also leaves 10 loved grandchildren and several great grandchildren.

At her request, services will be private.

Nana (Janet) and Grandpa Harlie will now sail together forever aboard "Solo."

### **Committal Services**

### **WILLIAM B. STINEFORD**

MILO - A committal service for Bill Stineford, who died Nov. 17, 2014, will be conducted 11 a.m. Thursday, May 28, at Evergreen Cemetery, Milo, with the Rev. Ann Purdy officiating.

## In Memoriam

In Loving Memory Of KENNETH M. TWADDELL May 23, 1967 - Jun 26, 1986 Kenny, you are always loved and will never be forgotten. Love, Mom and Rusty



LITTLETON - Leslie A. Bridges 70, passed away at home with his family on May 21, 2015, He was born March 7, 1945 in Mars Hill, the son of Kermit

and Lena (Guiggey) Bridges.

Leslie graduated high school in Mars Hill. He attended Husson University and University of Maine at Fort Kent. Leslie served in the United States Marine Corp and was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a member of the VFW and the American Legion. When he returned to civilian life he spent the majority of his career as a truck driver.

Leslie is survived by his brother Vaughn Bridges of Mapleton; his son Brady Bridges and his wife Kim of Houlton; his daughters Karen Woodbury of Littleton, Lynn Shea of Hopkinsville, KY, Dawn Theriault of Littleton; his grandchildren Kelsey Theriault of Farmington, Will and Sean Shea of Hopkinsville, KY, Graydon Bridges of Norridgewock, Gabe Bither of Houlton; several nieces, nephews and cousins. He also leaves behind very special friends Arthur and Geni Gove and their son Jimmy of New Limerick, Ralph and Kathy Rogers, their family of Sabattus. In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his wife Madelene Bridges.

Friends may call at the **Dunn Funeral Home Sunday** 1:00PM until the time of the service 3:00PM. Interment will be private at the family's convenience. In lieu of flowers, gifts may be made in Leslie's memory payable to the Wounded Warrior Project c/o Dunn Funeral Home 11 Park Street Houlton, 04730. Online condolences and guest book:

#### dunnfuneral.com **FRANK LEWIS LEONARD**

BELFAST - Frank Lewis Leonard, 91, died on May 9, 2015 in Belfast. He was born March 7,

1924 in Milo, ME. He was the son of Leon Lewis and Mamie (Ayer) Leonard. He graduated from Bucksport High School in 1943. He joined the US Navy during WWII as a Corpsman on the USN Benevolence. From his hospital ship, Frank witnessed Japans surrender to Gen Douglass McArthur on the deck of the USS Mis-

Frank was a member of the Felicity Masonic Lodge, Hancock Royal Arch Masons Felicity Order of the Eastern Star and a member of the Past Master Unit of Anah Shriners.

Frank is survived by his granddaughter Melissa Osato-Mensah and her husband, their three children Jacob, Isaiah and Alexa, all of West Virginia and his daughter-in-law Mary Leonard of Pembroke. Frank was predeceased by his two sons, Jeff and Colby and by his wife Margery.

Surely even now, Frank still has a pocket full of kisses for all his friends and staff at Harbor Hill Health Care.

Family and friends will gather for visitation from 5-6pm until the time of the memorial service at 6:00pm Tuesday May 26, 2015 at Mitchell-Tweedie Funeral Home 28 Elm St. Bucksport. Internment with Military Honors will be held at 10am at Evergreen Cemetery Milo, Maine 04463

mitchelltweedie-young.com



**NEAL F. GAGNON** 

CARIBOU - Neal F. Gagnon, 59, died unexpectedly May 21, 2015 at his Caribou residence. He was born in Caribou, February 3, 1956 the son of Percy and Pauline (Michaud) Gagnon.

Neal was a 1974 graduate of Caribou High School and was employed at Theriault Tire for over 20 years. More recently he owned and operated "On The Spot Auto Repair"He married Chervl Cederman on November 30,

Surviving in addition to his wife of Caribou and his mother of Van Buren are three sons, Kyle, Brian and Justin, and two daughters, Jodi and Stephanie and her husband, Lance, one sister and brother-in-law, Sandy and Sheldon Cunningham, five grandchildren, Breann, Cole, Landen, Kayden and Jackson. He is also survived by his mother-in-law, Dora Cederman, his father-in-law, Jay Cederman and wife Debbie, sisters-in-law, Marlene, Terri and Kirstan, brothers-in -law, Eric, Daryle and Alex, several nieces and nephews and his loyal dog, Bailey.

Mr. Gagnon was predeceased by his father, Percy, a sister, Jackie and his first wife, Teri Tracy.

Friends may call at the Mockler Funeral Home, 24 Reservoir Street, Caribou on Wednesday, May 27, 2015 from 1pm until time of services which will be held at 3pm from the chapel of the funeral home with Pastor Trov Heald officiating. www.mocklerfuneralhome.com

#### **VEDA W. ROBINSON**

ATKINSON - Veda W. Robinson, 78, died May 16, 2015, at a Bangor hospital. He was the first born to Robert W. and Dorothy M. (Cain) Robinson.

Veda worked doing different jobs throughout his life. He worked at Pratt & Whitney Aircraft in North Haven, CT for 25 years. After he retired he moved to Atkinson where he lived until his illness in 2014.

He is survived by two daughters, Pamela Robinson and Mary Ansari; two granddaughters, Tiffany Fitzpatrick and Sara Batchelder; a greatgranddaughter, Kaylie Fitzpatrick; a sister Ruth Day; brothers, Ralph Robinson and wife Edith, Dale Robinson and wife Leatta, Arthur Robinson; two aunts, Beatrice Robinson and Marsha Pelleritt; many nieces and nephews; and a very special friend Dale Pineo. In addition to his parents Veda was predeceased by a sister Lottie Norton.

Graveside funeral services will be held 2 PM, Wednesday, May 27, at Pine Grove Cemetery, Bangor, with Rev. Garnett Chute, pastor of the Hermon Baptist Church, presiding. Gifts in support of the family may be sent to Dale Robinson, 413 Maple Road, Atkinson, ME 04426. service of Brookings-Smith, Bangor.



**RICHARD ALLEN HOLMES** 

MILFORD - Richard Allen Holmes, 55, died unexpectedly May 18, 2015. He was born Oct. 30, 1959, in Bangor, a son of Donald W. and Anna P. (Stary) Holmes.

Richard owned and operated Holmes Cycle on Main Road in Milford for over 30 years. He enjoyed riding his motorcycle or really anything that had an engine, and long drives on the St. Regis Road. He enjoyed fishing the Penobscot River, hunting, and walking his dogs. He was a member of the Old Town Elks Lodge. He will be remembered for his carefree, easy going na-

He is survived by mother, Anna Holmes of Milford; sister, Donna Dalton and her husband Mark of Milford; four brothers, Danny Holmes and his wife, Jody, of TX, Edward Holmes and his wife, Judy, of Grenbush, Victor Holmes and his wife, Kelly, of Greenbush and Andy Holmes of Milford; uncle, Dexter Stary and his companion, Stephanie Pulsinelle, of NJ; his girlfriend, Gwen Southwind of Old Town; many nieces, nephews and cousins. He was predeceased by his father, Donald; maternal grandparents, Victor and Clara Stary; and brother, Kenny Homes.

Friends may gather from 4 -6 p.m. where a celebration of Richard's life will begin at 6 p.m. Thursday, May 28, 2015, at the Birmingham Funeral Home, 438 Main St., Old Town, where a memorial reception will follow the service. Memorial contributions may be made to the Samsara Exotic Animal Refuge, 1356 County Rd., Greenfield, ME 04423. Notes of condolences may be left at

www.birmingham



### **Committal Services**

### **ROBERT BASQUE**

MILLINOCKET - A funeral service for Robert Basque will be held 10 a.m. Thursday, May 28, at St. Peter's Catholic Church Christ the Divine Mercy Parish, East Millinocket. A burial will be held immediately after at Millinocket Cemetery.

### **GEORGE F. ALBERT**

HERMON & MILLINOCK-ET - A graveside committal service with military honors

for George F. Albert, who died December 22, 2014 will be held 10 AM Wednesday, May 27, 2015 at the Maine Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Mt. Vernon Road, Augusta. Arrangements by Kiley & Foley Funeral Service, Bangor.

#### **Committal Services**

GEORGETOWN - Peter M.

Connors, passed away Jan-

#### PETER M. CONNORS

uary 13, 2015 in Brunswick, ME. Graveside Services with Full Military Honors will be held 11:00am Friday May 29th at Mountainside Cemetery in Georgetown. In respect of Bertha Higgins of Town Hill, I would like to say because of the oversight of leaving her name out of the obituary on 1-20-2015, along with my two brothers and their families, nieces, nephews, and cousins, I am sincerely sorry! She was truly loved and adored by her son-in-law Peter. Arrangements are by David E. Desmond & Son Fu-

#### In Memoriam

In Loving Memory Of **ADAM JOSEPH "AJ" CARLISLE** Jun 08, 1983 - May 24, 2006



9 years ...AJ ...Not a day goes by... You are missed Forever and Always.. Dad, Mom and Tiffany

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alone. But the follow-up message does: Call a DIF&W regional biologist or game warden and tell them what's going

By species, here are some handy tips and explanations that wildlife-watchers may find helpful:

Deer: "It is always best to leave fawns alone," the department wrote. "The nutrient profile of a mother's milk enables fawns to be left for many hours as mothers feed on their own to help maintain the high energy demands of nursing the fawn. Adult does will return two or three times a day to nurse fawns, but otherwise leave them in a safe place and rely on the fawn's camouflage and lack of scent to protect them from predators. ... [R]epeated visits to a fawn [by humans] can draw the attention of predators and could discourage its mother from returning. Under no circumstances should anyone attempt to feed a fawn.

Moose: "Treat moose calves similar to fawns, but also be aware that approaching or handling a moose calf is likely to elicit a defensive response from a mother moose, if it is nearby," the department said.

Squirrels or raccoons: "If a nest of squirrels or raccoons must be disturbed (for example, if a tree has been cut down or fallen), leave the young in the den part of the tree and move them nearby to a protected place," the release said. "The mother will in all likelihood come back and transport them to a new location."

Birds: "The same is true for a bird's nest. Put the nest and nestlings into a nearby tree, supported in a basket or other container that has drainage, the department wrote. "The mother robin or blue jay is probably right around the corner, and will return to feed the young and care for them until they can fly on their own.

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# Birding

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vestigate an intruder as if shot out of a cannon, bold and angry. Each ovenbird has a precise understanding of its territory and its boundaries.

In Bangor City Forest, there is one particular trail intersection where ovenbirds have territories in each quadrant. The road itself is the dividing line between their territories. All four ovenbirds can be heard singing at once, each from their own side of the crossroad. But if one bird crosses the road and sings, all heck breaks out. The presiding male in that territory immediately challenges the intruder and chases the bird back across the road. If that chase accidentally wanders into an adjacent territory, the third male joins the fray until each bird is back on their own side of the property line.

Field guides show that ovenbirds have small orange patches on top of their heads. However, birders seldom see it unless the bird is angry. They raise the orange crest to show aggression. Ruby-crowned and golden-crowned kinglets also flash their colorful crests only during territorial squabbles.

For red-winged blackbirds, it's the red shoulder patch

that displays dominance. A singing male on its territory flashes the red proudly. But marshes are a funny place. Unlike a forest, where males can disperse and divide up the woods, marshes concentrate birds. In order to forage, blackbirds have to cross each other's territories routinely. When that happens, the male birds deliberately cover their red shoulders so that they don't display aggression and invite attack. Since marshes concentrate food and space, territories tend to be much smaller. Marsh wrens, common yellowthroats, rails, swamp sparrows and a host of other birds squeeze into a smaller space.

For the next month, note the distance between singing birds. Observe the circumstances under which they chase each other. Watching birds is fun; watching bird behavior is fascinating. It turns out, they have personalities. Some territory defenders are shy, some are sneaky, and some are downright ornery.

Bob Duchesne serves as vice president of Maine Audubon's Penobscot Valley Chapter. Bob developed the Maine Birding Trail, with information at mainebirdingtrail.com. Bob can be reached at duchesne@midmaine.com.

## WHAT IS IT? Send your answers for this week's What Is It (right) to: Robert Croul, 1095 North Road, Newburgh, Maine 04444. Readers may respond by email to recestate@midmaine.com. Be sure to write "What is it?" in the subject line. **CROUL** In the May 9 Bangor Daily News, this "What is it?" was correctly identified as an antique silver table crumber by Erny Levesque of Saint David, Yvon Dufour of Madawaska, Harold Wiggin of Thomaston, Bill Carter of Castine, Brenda Harrington of Spruce

Head, Dick DeGraaf of Camden, Erwin Flewelling of Northport, Ann Miller of

Exeter, Virgil Fowles of Brooks, O.K. Blackstone of Caribou, Pete Lammert

Castine, Mike and Della Gleason of Bangor, Charles & Charlene White of

of Thomaston and Andrea Pelletier of Fort Fairfield.

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