

## Gloucester City News Obituaries May 2015

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### **LEONA M. BATTEN "COOKIE" (May 14)**

Eulogies and Remembrances were held at McCann-Healey funeral Home, 851 Monmouth Street, Gloucester City for Leona M. Batten "Cookie", 73, (nee Cheeseman), of Gloucester City who passed away on May 7, 2015.

Loving companion of Jim Schaeffer. Loving mother of James Fritz (Jeanne) and Bill Fritz (Renee). Cherished grandmother of Kristin, Alaina, Jonathan, Michael and Zachary Fritz.

Interment private.

### **DONALD R. HART (May 14)**

Funeral services were held at Gardner Funeral Home, 126 South Black Horse Pike, Runnemede for Donald R. Hart, 81, of Runnemede who passed away on May 6, 2015.

Beloved husband of 38 years of Linda (nee Galecki). Devoted father of Donna Hart-Entrichel (Joe), Paula Laag (Fred), Dawn Stephani (Greg) and George Harley (Gwen). Loving grandfather of Stephen, Ryan, Joey, Bea, William, Harrison, Shelby and Imogen. Dear brother of Catherine Casebeer. Also survived by nieces and nephews. Mr. Hart was a bartender at the Lakeview Inn in Deptford for many years.

Interment St. Joseph's Cemetery, Chews Landing.

In lieu of flowers donations, to Vitas Hospice, 18 E. Laurel Rd., Stratford, NJ 08084 or to Penn Presbyterian Medical Center, Medical Arts Bldg., ATTN: Candice Cooper, 51 N. 39th St., Phila., PA 19104.

### **DORIS L. DENNY (May 14)**

Funeral services were held at Gardner Funeral Home, 126 South Black Horse Pike, Runnemede for Doris L. Denny, (nee Parker), 88, of Runnemede who passed away on May 5, 2015.

Beloved wife of the late Robert H. Denny. Devoted mother of Scott Denny, Lisa Freeman, Donna Popeskic, and the late Robert J. Denny. Mother-in-law of Kathy Watts and her husband Michael. Loving grandmother of 7 and great-grandmother of 5.

Doris worked for RCA and Magnetic Metals in Camden, Robert Hall in Bellmawr, K-Mart in Deptford for 20 years, and Babies-R-Us in Deptford for 10 years.

Interment Locustwood Memorial Park, Cherry Hill.

### **HAROLD C. FERRELL (May 14)**

Funeral services were held at Etherington-Creran Funeral Home, 700 Powell Street, Gloucester City for Harold C. Ferrell, 65, of Blackwood, formerly of Gloucester City who passed away on May 4, 2015.

He is survived by his loving companion and caretaker Mary Ott, his dear children Rosemarie Singh, Michael Ferrell, Betty Jo Sorbello, Amanda Minnick, Lauren Shinn, Kelley Ferrell and his best friend Joseph Bandoch III. He is also survived by 15 grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Harold was a volunteer fire fighter with the Gloucester Heights Fire Dept. for 23 years and was a Past President of the fire company. He had also been a coach for the Gloucester City Little League.

Interment will be private at the request of his family.

In lieu of flowers, donations to the family would be appreciated.

***MARK E. HUNT (May 14)***

Funeral services were held at McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth Street, Gloucester City for Mark E. Hunt, 57, of Mt. Ephraim who passed away on May 9, 2015.

Loving companion of 33 years to Donna Powell. Loving father of Jennifer Hunt, Patricia Powell and Mark E. Hunt, Jr. Cherished grandfather of Amadia, Jo'honna, Jovel, Javier and Aiden. Dear brother of Susan, Jeannie, Trish, Joe, Troy, Steven and the late Ed.

***KAREN L. PANTALONE (May 14)***

Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Mary's Church, Gloucester City for Karen L. Pantalone, 53, (nee Rocco) of Gloucester City who passed away on May 5, 2015.

Born in Camden, she was the daughter of the late Victor and Harriet (nee: Henriks) Rocco. Devoted wife of Michael J.; loving mother of Michael and Lianne Pantalone. She is also survived by her brothers, Victor "Rocky" and Mark Rocco; sisters, Roxanne Zane, Sharon Welsh and Stacy Rocco; mother-in-law, Rosemary Pantalone; brothers-in-law, Mark and Joseph (Donna) Pantalone; sister-in-law, Joann Heckman and many nieces and nephews. Karen was also predeceased by her brother, Kenneth Rocco; mother-in-law, Jackie O'Conner, father-in-law Joseph Pantalone. Karen worked for many years as a candy packer at Duffy's Candy in Gloucester City. She was a member of St. Mary's Church and was an avid Philadelphia sports fan.

Her urn will be buried at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in memory of Karen to St. Mary's Church, 426 Monmouth St., Gloucester City, NJ 08030.

Funeral Arrangements were entrusted to McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth Street, Gloucester City.

***LAUREA M. TARVES (May 14)***

Funeral Mass was held at Holy Child Parish, St. Teresa's Church, Runnemede for Laura M. Tarves, 84, (nee Burns), of Runnemede, formerly of West Philadelphia who passed away on May 13, 2015.

Beloved wife of the late Alexander. Devoted mother of James A. and Kathleen Nasuti. Loving grandmother of Laura Quinn and Kimberly Nasuti. Dear great-grandmother of Alexis Scherfel and Cameron McKenna Quinn. Survived by many nieces and nephews. Also survived by five beloved childhood friends that were family to her. Laura and her late husband, Alexander, generously opened their house to several Vietnam Veterans throughout their life.

Interment St. Joseph's Cemetery, Chews Landing.

In lieu of flowers, donations to the Wounded Warrior Project, PO Box 758517, Topeka, KS 66675.

Funeral services were entrusted to Gardner Funeral Home, 126 South Black Horse Pike, Runnemede.

***JAMES GARY MAHONEY (May 14)***

Catholic services were held at McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth Street, Gloucester City for James Gary Mahoney "The Mahone", 51, of Atco who suddenly passed away on May 5, 2015, following an accident at work.

Cherished son of the late Michael J. Mahoney, Sr. and Catherine P. Mahoney (nee Fleming). Loving husband of 17 years to Tina Louise Mahoney. Loving father of Anna Sims, Diane Mahoney, Rose Bunce, Danielle Mahoney, James G. Mahoney, Jr., Eddie Black, Dylan Mahoney and Courtney Mahoney. Cherished grandfather of Tina, Cheyenne, Savi, Gianna, Amara, Selena, Sincere, Julianna, Serenity and Jonathan. Dear brother of Michael Mahoney (Augustine), Eileen Doerr (late John), Dennis Mahoney (Patricia), Patricia Gillespie (John), Shawn Mahoney (Tracy) and the late Kathleen Johnica (late Steve)

The Mahone enjoyed hunting, riding his Harley and was a friend of Bill W.  
Interment will be private.

**MARY PHYLLIS DOUGHERTY (May 14)**

Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Rose of Lima Church, Haddon Heights for Mary Phyllis Dougherty, 87, (nee Pizzollo), of West Collingswood Heights who passed away on May 9, 2015.

Beloved wife of the late Victor A. Dougherty. Dear mother of Joseph R. (Nancy J.) Dougherty of Gloucester Twp., NJ and Nancy Marie (David S.) Mitchell of Medford, NJ. Loving grandmother of David J., Andrew J. and Matthew J. Mitchell. Sister of the late John Pizzollo

Mrs. Dougherty was a longtime volunteer with SCUCS.  
Interment New St. Mary's Cemetery, Bellmawr.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in her memory to the American Heart Association , 1 Union St., Suite 301, Robbinsville, NJ 08691 and/or your favorite charity.

**MONTRICE JOHNSON (May 14)**

Memorial services were held for Montrice Johnson, 56, of Gloucester City who passed away on May 1, 2015.

Devoted mother of Terron Johnson and Keeah Frye; beloved daughter of Madeline Barge (nee Pace) and the late William Johnson; dear sister of Terrance Pace, Gwen Maloney and Natrone Dhoruba; also survived by her fiancé Frank Newell.

**PAUL WALTER PORCH SR. (May 14)**

Funeral services were held for Paul Walter Porch Sr., 67, of Gloucester City who passed away suddenly on May 9, 2015 at Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital Camden.

He worked for the Newton Tool Manufacturing Company as a Tool & Die Maker for 34 years. He was a member of the Gloucester City Fire Department and a past Little League Coach, Boy Scout and Cub Scout Leader. Survived by his beloved wife of 39 years Susan nee {Packer}; a son Paul "PJ" Walter, Jr. of Gloucester City; a daughter Christy Lynne {Jordan} Kirkpatrick of Spring, TX; three grandchildren Gage; Garrett and Gunner.

**MARGARET RIECK (May 14)**

Catholic Rite and Committal and Inurnment was held at Locustwood Cemetery, Cherry Hill for Margaret Rieck, 80, of Burlington who passed away on May 7, 2015.

Born in Camden, she was the daughter of the late Herman and Honora (nee: O'Malley) Rittmayer. She is survived by her daughter, Noreen Nixon (Edward); 4 Grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband, Karl; son, Joseph and her brother, Herman.

Margaret was a graduate of Camden Catholic High School Class of 1952 and earned her Bachelor's degree from the Philadelphia Conservatory of Music. She worked for many years as a teacher in St. Stephen's and St. Cecilia Catholic Schools, Pennsauken. For 50 years she was the organist for the Camden Lutheran Synod and was a former American Legion State Officer.

Funeral Arrangements were entrusted to McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth Street, Gloucester City.

**FRANCIS V. SCHULTZ (May 14)**

Graveside services with his parents were held at Fountain Lawn Memorial Park, Ewing for Francis V. Schultz, 70, of Cherry Hill who passed away on May 3, 2015.

Loving Son of the late Francis T. Schultz and Charlotte Schultz (nee Boner). Beloved uncle of Nancy Marlin. Funeral Arrangements were entrusted to McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth Street, Gloucester City.

***BRENDA C. SMITH (May 14)***

At request of family, services will be private for Brenda C. Smith, 64, of Camden who passed away on May 10, 2015.

Loving mother of Carolyn Clark. Cherished daughter of Dorothy Henderson Smith and the late Luther Smith. Loving grandmother of Brittany Mitchell. Loving companion of Gary Russ. Dear sister of Dorothea Smith, the late Joyce Miller and the late Tanda Smith.

Funeral Arrangements were entrusted to McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth Street, Gloucester City.

***STEPHEN LEE GORNEY (May 14)***

Private cremation was held for Stephen Lee Gorney, 54, of Crystal River, FL, who passed away on April 28, 2015 at his home.

He was born on September 5, 1960 in Camden, to Robert and Jean Ellen (Magill) Gorney.

Stephen was a self-employed Painter. He moved to Citrus County 23 years ago from Pine Hill. In addition to his parents, Stephen is survived by his brother, Alan Gorney and sister-in-law Alice; his sister, Valerie McKinney and brother-in-law Jerry; two nephews, Wade Gorney and Nicholas McKinney; numerous cousins and other extended family.

***FRANK S. CROSSAN SR. (May 20)***

Funeral services were held at Gardner Funeral Home, 200 South Black Horse Pike, Runnemede for Frank S. Crossan Sr., 88, of Bellmawr who passed away on May 16, 2015.

Beloved husband of the late Joan A. (nee Williams). Devoted father of Frank S. Crossan Jr. (Sue), Debra A. Crossan, and Lynne Cianicullo (Pat). Loving grandfather of Alisha Foster (Christopher), Nicole Melchiorre (Frank), Jessica Cianicullo, Ashley Crossan, and Patsy Cianicullo Jr. Dear great grandfather of Chlöe, Abby, Lily, CJ, and Gianna.

Mr. Crossan proudly served with the US Navy during World War II.

Entombment New St. Mary's Mausoleum, Bellmawr.

In lieu of flowers donations to Samaritan Healthcare and Hospice, 5 Eves Drive, Suite 300, Marlton, NJ 08053.

***LEOPOLD LEONARD "LEO" KACMARCIK (May 20)***

Funeral Mass will be held on May 14 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Joachim Parish, Mary, Mother of the Church, 20 Braisington Avenue, Bellmawr for

Leopold Leonard "Uncle Leo" Kacmarcik, 91, of Bellmawr who was called back to heaven after ninety-one years, four months, and eighteen days.

Born in Graceton, PA and raised in Nemaocolin, PA, he was Roman Catholic. During the summer Leo, like his father, was a coal miner at the Buckeye Coal Mine where he learned teamwork and leadership skills through hard work. A natural athlete in high school, Leo varsity lettered in football all four years at Carmichaels High School in Carmichaels, PA.

Having earned all of the academic requirements for graduation, Leo graduated from high school six months early and with his mother's blessing, proudly volunteered to serve his country from 1943 through 1946 in World War II and later in support of the Korean War.

It was while he was stationed in the European theatre that he met his soul mate and love of his life, Felicia Maria Grajnert. When they were married in Ansbach, Germany, they enjoyed three ceremonies on their wedding day of 15 May 1946 (Civil, Military, and Catholic Church) and subsequently enjoyed more than sixty years of mutual bliss together until Felicia's passing in 2007.

Leo worked for PSE&G from 1951 until his retirement in 1989. He and his wife lived in the same house in Bellmawr, since 1954 and were affectionately known to family, friends, and neighbors as Aunt Ellie and Uncle Leo because of their timeless love and generous support.

He was preceded in death by his loving mother and father, Mary and John, his two sisters, Mary and Irene, and his brother John. Survivors include many nieces and nephews within Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Ohio who will forever keep his spirit alive.

There will be a viewing from 9 to 10a.m. Thursday morning at Gardner Funeral Home, 126 South Black Horse Pike, Runnemede.

Interment New St. Mary's Cemetery, Bellmawr.

In lieu of flowers, donations to UNICEF (United Nations Children's Fund), 333 East 38th Street, New York, NY 10016.

***JORGE LUIS CAPELES (May 28)***

Funeral services were held at Federacion de Iglesias Pentecostales Genesaret, Camden for Jorge Luis Capeles, 39, of Camden who passed away on May 16, 2015.

Born in Caguas, Puerto Rico on September 7, 1975. Loving companion of Elizabel Sanchez. Loving father of Jorge Luis Capeles, III and Joshua Daniel Capeles. Beloved brother of Carlos Capeles and Wanda Capeles. Cherished son of the late Jorge and Wanda Capeles (nee Marrero).

Interment Morgan Cemetery, Cinnaminson.

Funeral Arrangements were entrusted to McCann-Healey Funeral Home, Monmouth Street, Gloucester City.

***DONNA M. FRIZANO (May 28)***

Memorial services were held at Gardner Funeral Home, 126 South Black Horse Pike, Runnemede for Donna M. Frizano, 60, (nee Verna), of Collingswood; formerly of Runnemede who passed away on May 18, 2015.

Beloved wife of the late Anthony Frizano. Devoted mother of Julia Cappiello (John) and Anthony Frizano. Loving grandmother of Isabella, Cecilia and Micaela. Dear sister of JoAnne Castagliuolo and Joseph Costello. Also survived by many cousins, nieces and nephews. Donna was a member of the Red Dot Club.

Inurnment New St. Mary's Cemetery, Bellmawr.

Family requests in lieu of flowers donations to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital , 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

***JOHN PATRICK CAIN (May 28)***

Family and friends met at Gardner Funeral Home, 126 South Black Horse Pike, Runnemede to follow in procession to Brig. Gen. Wm. C. Doyle Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Arneytown for John Patrick Cain, 74, of Runnemede; formerly Fairless Hills, PA who passed away on May 18, 2015.

Devoted father of Nancy Cain, Michele Cain-Harris, Michael Cain (Beth), and Kevin Cain. Grandfather to many. Beloved mother of his children Nancy Cain. Dear brother of Ginger, Mary, Marty, and the late Thomas and William. Survived by many nieces and nephews. Loving companion of Patricia Marino and her children, Kimberly Esterline, Brenda Watson, and Frank Marino.

John proudly served with the US Army. He was a member and past Post Commander of VFW Post 3324 and Teamsters 107.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in John's memory to the American Cancer Society , 1851 Old Cuthbert Road, Cherry Hill, NJ 08034.

***NANCY D. KEARNEY(May 28)***

Life Celebration was held at the Community Church, 19790 Ashburn Road, Ashburn, VA for Nancy D. Kearney, 80, (nee Deffer) of Leesburg, Virginia who passed away on May 20, 2015.

Daughter of the late Philip and Matilda Deffer. Wife of the late Eugene G. Kearney. Survived by her children, Steven Kearney (Kate), Linda Campbell (Jim), Tim Kearney (Kathy), Suzanne Fiddler (Jeff), Patrick Kearney and Adam Kearney; 12 grandchildren; one great-granddaughter and sister Betty Hart. Predeceased by her sisters Jane Gore and Shirley Giarth.

Nancy worked as an executive assistant for the U.S. Government for 39 years. She was a devoted employee and had many friends at work. In her spare time she loved to shop and cook. She enjoyed all her grandchildren. Interment at Union Cemetery, Leesburg, VA.

Memorial donations can be sent to the church, at above church address.

Funeral Arrangements were entrusted to McCann-Healey Funeral Home, Gloucester City.

***ADELAIDE D. MUHA (May 28)***

Private funeral services were held at her request for Adelaide D. Muha, 76, (nee Harper) of Haddon Township who passed away on May 18, 2015.

Adelaide was the wife of the late George P. Muha. She is survived by her children, Harry Muha (Marianne), Steven Muha (Kate), Kelli Muha Rettig (James) and George P. Muha, Jr. Also survived by 6 grandchildren, Eric, Collin, Marlee, Tyler, Nicole and Emma, and a loving niece, Ann Specian (Tom).

Born and raised in Rahway before moving to Colonia and then Haddon Twp. Adelaide enjoyed many summers in Ocean Gate. She cherished spending time with her grandchildren who they lovingly called "Nanny". Adelaide always lived life on her terms

Funeral Arrangements were entrusted to McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth Street, Gloucester City.

***STEPHEN J. GORHAM SR. (May 28)***

Funeral services were held at Mahaffey-Milano Funeral Home, 11 E. Kings Highway, Mt. Ephraim for Stephen J. Gorham Sr., of Glendora who passed away peacefully at home on May 19, 2015.

Beloved Husband of Ruth (nee Medlin) Gorham. Devoted Father Stephen, Christopher, Anthony, Sara, & Shawn. Beloved Son of Eleanor Marinacci & Stepfather Emanuel Marinacci. Dear Brother of Patricia Brown, Rita (Michael) Bennett, Eleanor Gorham, Mary (Tony) Martino, & Margaret (Joseph) Papalardo. Loving Grandfather of Christopher, Eli, & Brooke. Dearest Nephew of Rita Moran, & Sister Rita Karnell S.S.J. Internment private.