Gloucester City News Obituaries
December 2020

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Dolores Kordowski (Dec. 3rd)

Dolores E. Kordowski (nee Campbell), 94, loving wife, mother and grandmother of triplets, passed away peacefully at home on November 18, 2020, after a short illness.

She was predeceased by her husband of 62 years, the late Edward L. Kordowski. She was the daughter of Elizabeth (nee Schlottenmeier) and Thomas J. Campbell. She is survived by her children, Leon E. Kordowski of Oaklyn, Lisa J. Kordowski (Robert J. Flynn, Sr.) of Newark, DE, and Patricia K. (late Charles) Edwards of Finksburg, MD; and grandsons Christopher, Alexander and Matthew Edwards.

She is also survived by sister-in-law Adelaide Campbell and many nieces and nephews. She is predeceased by siblings Jane C. Abbate, Richard F. Campbell and Thomas J. Campbell.
Dolores was born in Trenton on April 27, 1926, and graduated from Lower Camden County Regional High School in 1945. She made Oaklyn her home for more than 65 years, and was active in the lives of her children and grandchildren.

She was a longtime parishioner of St. St. Aloysius Church, Oaklyn, where a Memorial Mass was celebrated.

Interment was in the St. Joseph Cemetery, Chews Landing.

Donations can be to St. Joseph the Worker Parish, 101 Hopkins Road, Haddonfield, NJ 08033 or to Samaritan Hospice, 3906 Church Road, Mt. Laurel, NJ 08054.

Arnetha E. Jackson (Dec. 3rd)

Arnetha Elaine Jackson of Pennsauken, formerly of Camden, the daughter of the late Clarence Lee Nokes Sr. and Alma Mae Smith Nokes, departed this life on Tuesday, November 17, 2020. She was born July 13, 1919, in Sterling VA. Arnetha was blessed with 101 years on this earth.

At the time of her passing she was a resident of Cooper River West Rehabilitation and Nursing Home facility in Pennsauken.

Neace, as she was called by family, was the fifth of nine children, and was predeceased by her siblings: her brothers Franklin and Clarence Jr.; sisters Carrie Elizabeth Nokes, Mildred Russ, Ida Mae Clark and Estella Brooks; and infants Louise and Alma Mae.

Arnetha retired from the Federal Government, Department of the Navy in Philadelphia. She later worked part-time as a crossing guard at a school near her home in Camden.

She was a member of St. Augustine Episcopal Church in Camden, where she was secretary for many years and was active in the women's groups of the church. She was a member of the Earl B. Scott Chapter, Union of Black Episcopalians and attended many conferences.

Arnetha was a special person who loved to travel, particularly as a missionary. She visited Australia, Morocco, Bavaria, Iceland, and made many mission trips to Africa and South Africa. She had a particular devotion to the children who lived in the villages of South East Africa.

Arnetha leaves to cherish her memory 24 nieces and nephews in Virginia and Maryland:

Ophelia Johnson, Carolyn Ashton, Doris and Steve Russ; Barbara Clark and Sylvia Clark; Dennis, Carol and Richard Nokes; and the Brooks family, Michael, Kenneth, Larry, Diane Ellis, Jerry, Gregory, Tyrone, Ronald, Mark, Terry, Cynthia Griffin, Bryant, Sonia Hammond; Tammy Westbrook, and Tracy; and a host of great and great-great nieces and nephews.

She also leaves a special and devoted friend in New Jersey, Marcus Gales.

Graveside services were celebrated in Tippett's Hill Cemetery, Sterling, VA.

Funeral arrangements entrusted to the McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth St., Gloucester City.

Evelyn Lonabaugh (Dec. 3rd)

Evelyn C. Lonabaugh (nee Maddocks), 88, of Gloucester City, passed away on November 21, 2020 at the Riverfront Rehabilitation and Healthcare Center in Pennsauken.

Mrs. Lonabaugh spent her entire life in Gloucester City. Through the years she made her career as an office worker, and devoted her life to her family as a wife, mother and homemaker.
Evelyn is the widow of her late husband John Lonabaugh, and is the mother of Jeannette Lonabaugh, Danielia Gallente, John Lonabaugh and Deborah Ksiezniak. She is the proud grandmother of five and great grandmother of five.

The sharing of heartfelt stories and the Funeral Ceremony were celebrated in the Creran Celebration Etherington & Creran Funeral Homes, 700 Powell St., Gloucester City.

Interment and a closing, graveside ceremony were at the Cedar Grove Cemetery, Gloucester City.

William Patrick Gies (Dec. 3rd)

William Patrick Gies, 62, of Blackwood, formerly of Deptford, passed away on November 23, 2020.

Born in Philadelphia on June 16, 1958, to the late Francis Gies and late Kathleen M. (nee Keegan).
He is survived by his brothers, George Gies (Dorothy), James Gies (Denise Mason-Gies) and Joseph Gies; his nieces, Margaret and Stephanie Gies; and nephew, Wade Gies.

Bill was a member of the VFW Post 7927 in Blackwood.
At his request, services will be private.

Funeral arrangements entrusted to the McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth St., Gloucester City.

William 'Bud' Harvey (Dec. 3rd)

William F. "Bud" Harvey of Gloucester City passed away on November 18, 2020.

Beloved son of the late William J., and Frances D. (nee Byrne), brother of the late Frances (Ron) Canning, Joan L and the late Robert Stone, Jean E. (Dave) Borman, the late Marie and the late Tom Quinn and Robert J. Mr. Harvey is survived by many nieces and nephews.

Bill was a graduate of St. Mary's Grammar School and attended Gloucester Catholic High School. He was an active member of St. Mary's Catholic Parish in Gloucester City. Bill served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean Conflict aboard the U.S.S. Benner DDR 807. Following his military service he was appointed a firefighter for Gloucester City, retiring in 1990. Mr. Harvey was a member of the Retired Police and Firefighters Association, Local 11, Tin Can Sailors Association, a life member of the VFW Post 3620 and American Legion Post 135 both in Gloucester City.

Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated in St. Mary's Church, Gloucester City. Interment and U.S. Navy Military Honors were at New St. Mary's Cemetery, Bellmawr.

As an expression of sympathy and in lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the St. Mary's Church St. Vincent de Paul Society 426 Monmouth St. Gloucester City, NJ 08030 or to the Firefighter Thomas G. Stewart, III Memorial Scholarship Fund the Gloucester City Professional Firefighters Union 1 N. King St. Gloucester City, NJ 08030.

Funeral arrangements entrusted to the Creran Celebration Etherington & Creran Funeral Homes, 700 Powell St., Gloucester City.

William Rickenbach (Dec. 3rd)

William Robert "Bumpsy" Rickenbach of Audubon Park has passed away.

Born on September 20, 1932, William served in the National Guard from 1950-1954 and then he served in the Army 1954-1956 in Germany with the 39th Infantry Regiment. He received the National Defense Service Medal, Good Conduct Medal and OCC Medal Germany.

In his spare time, William was an avid deer hunter for 61 years and enjoyed hunting with his brothers, nephews and his good friend Steve Snyder. He also enjoyed tending to his vegetable garden. William was a longtime resident of Audubon Park for 56 years. William will be greatly missed by all who have known him.

He is the beloved husband to Joanne (nee Carr), married on November 12, 1960, and just celebrated 60 years of marriage. He is the devoted father of Joanne Everman (Neil), Helen Bruynell (Dan), Lisa Stressman (Charles) and

Patricia Barbella (Ron). He is the loving grandfather of 12 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. He is survived by his four sisters, Jane, Linda, Flossie and Rea, and brother, Ralph. He was predeceased by his brothers Rick and Ed.

The Memorial Service was at the Healey Funeral Home, Haddon Heights. Interment was at Camden County Veterans Cemetery, Camden, NJ.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Disabled American Veterans, PO Box 14301, Cinncinati, OH 45250-0301 or at www.dav.org/donate.

Alvin P. Thomas (Dec. 10th)

Alvin Peter Thomas, 84, of Pennsauken passed away on July 30, 2020.

Loving and devoted husband of 60 years to the late Frances E. Thomas (nee McPhail). Beloved father of Alvin C. Thomas. Alvin was born in Harrison, NJ and proudly served our country in the U.S. Air Force from July 1954 to January 1960. He worked as a supervisor for Powerine Oil.

Alvin' Catholic Prayers of Committal and U.S. Air Force Military Honors were held in the Calvary Catholic Cemetery, Cherry Hill.

Funeral arrangements entrusted to the McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth St., Gloucester City.

Carol A. Davenport (Dec. 10th)

Carol A. Davenport (nee Stauts), 82, of Bellmawr passed away on November 30, 2020.

Beloved wife of the late Thomas Davenport. Devoted mother of Jane Rafferty (Harry), Joan Crane (the late Gary) and Carol Lynn Aubrey (Stephan). Loving Mom Mom of Gretchen Antinucci, Shane Crane, Ashley Aubrey, Stephen Aubrey and Jill Rafferty-Wilcox. Great grandmother of Kaylee Jo Antinucci, Jamison Wilcox and Mason Wilcox. Dear sister of the late Nancy Emmette. Also survived by Debbie Johnson, Mary Jo Applegate and Tommy, Pat DiShields, Joseph Antinucci and many nieces and nephews.

Carol was a parishioner of St. Joachim Parish. She was an avid Bingo player. She also loved to bowl and go to the casinos. Carol was an extremely talented singer, dancer and artist.

There will be a Memorial Mass at a later date.

Donations may be made in Mrs. Davenport's memory to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

Deanna J. Dunn (Dec. 10th)

Deanna J. Dunn (nee Jeneski), 82, of Leisuretown passed peacefully at her daughter's home in Brooklawn on November 28, 2020.

Deanna was predeceased by her husband, Eugene J. Dunn, Jr. She is survived by her children, Denise Mackey (John) and Eugene J. Dunn, III (Kim); grandchildren, John Mackey (Jennifer), Patrick Mackey (Stephanie), Mark Demberger (Katherine Keating), Margaret Mackey (Paul Miller), Melissa Mackey (Shawn Newlin), Brittany Julian (Bruce) and Jillian Dunn (Ryan Clauser); and 16 great-grandchildren. She is also survived by four nieces, two nephews and 17 great-nieces and nephews; and her brother, Douglas Shields (Michelle). She was predeceased by her sister, Arlene DeVita (James).

Deanna was born in Smithmill, PA, in Western Pennsylvania. She spent her younger years in Philadelphia before raising her family in Marlton. She worked many years as a title clerk for Cherry Hill Nissan.

At her request, services will be private at this time. Plans are being made for a memorial at a later date.

In lieu of flowers to the family, donations may be made to Cheyenne River Indian Outreach (for children), P.O. Box 500, Chamberlain, SD 57325-0500 or online at crioutreach.org/mar Please memo, Deanna J. Dunn.

Funeral arrangements entrusted to the McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth St., Gloucester City.

Diane Costro (Dec. 10th)

Diane C. Costro, 79, of Westville went home to be with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on Sunday, November 22, 2020.

She was dedicated and passionate about her faith, and a lifelong member of the Bible Church of Westville. Diane was a gifted piano player and used her gift to minister to her church and several nursing home ministries. She was retired from Cherry Hill School District, where she worked as a secretary for many years. Diane enjoyed playing Scrabble with her friends and grandchildren. Everyone who knew Diane loved her.

She is the beloved wife of the late Joseph Costro; devoted mother of Joseph Costro (Annette) and Mark Costro (Lorraine); dear sister to Robert J. Nolan (Diane); loving grandmother to Stephanie McGoldrick (Dave Berth), Mark Costro, Shannon Deacon (Ian), Joseph Costro Jr., Schuyler Costro and Jonathan Costro; and cherished great grandmother to Seraphina, Samantha, Gianna, Anthony, Alixander, Athina and Kaydence.

The Funeral Service was celebrated at the McGuinness Funeral Home, Woodbury. Interment was private for the immediate family.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made in Diane's honor to the Bible Church of Westville, 307 Delsea Dr, Westville, NJ 08093.

Donald W. Acquesta (Dec. 10th)

Donald W. Acquesta, 33, of Bellmawr passed away on November 24, 2020.

Beloved son of Lorraine Meyers (Brad) and the late Donald Acquesta. Devoted brother of Carolyn Meyers (Vince Fisher). Loving grandson of Patricia Lucas (Grover), Carol Meyers, and the late William Peters. Also survived by many aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends.

Donald worked for JYE Inc. He loved cars, computers, video games, and especially his dog Maggie. Donald was very patriotic and was an avid gun owner.

The Funeral Service was celebrated at the Gardner Funeral Home, 126 S. Black Horse Pike, Runnemede. Interment was private.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Donald's memory to the American Heart Association, 1 Union Street, Suite 301, Robbinsville, NJ 08691 or the Animal Welfare Association, 509 Centennial Boulevard, Voorhees, NJ 08043.

Joseph A. Mangano (Dec. 10th)

Joseph A. "Joe" Mangano, 90, of Deptford, formerly of Gloucester City, passed away on November 25, 2020.

Loving husband for 65 years of Jean F. Mangano (nee Palumbo). Beloved father of Josephine Mangano. Cherished brother of Josephine Polizzi (the late George), Dorothy Bonadies (the late Joseph), Rita Lawson (the late Jerome) and the late Jean DeCandia (the late Lawrence). Dear uncle of many nieces and nephews.

Joe had a big heart and loved spending time with his family. He was the owner of Gloucester Cold Cuts and was known as "Hoagie Joe." Joe loved surprising the kids with candy and treats. He enjoyed reading the newspaper and playing the lottery. He will be missed deeply by his family and friends.

Services private at the request of the family. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Leukemia and Lymphoma, P.O. Box 22447, New York, NY 10087.

For condolences visit www.boucherfuneralhome.com.

Marie Carney (Dec. 10th)

Marie "Cissy" Carney, 68, of Bellmawr, passed away on November 24, 2020.

Loving sister of Patrick (Dolores) Carney, Beverly (John) Panzarella, Sharlene (Tim) Kaercher, William (Michelle) Carney, Tim (Barb) Carney, Tom Carney, Laura Carney (Marty Waters), and MaryBeth Carney. Also survived by many loving nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and great-nephews. Predeceased by her parents, William and Marie Carney; and her sister Kathleen Carney.

Marie worked as a floor manager for the Golden Nugget in Atlantic City.

Mass of Christian Burial was at St. Luke's Church, Stratford. Cremation was private.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

Raymond A. Angleman (Dec. 10th)

Raymond A. Angleman, 65, of Voorhees passed away on November 27, 2020.

Born in Philadelphia, PA, he was the son of the late William and Jean E. (Wheeler) Angleman. He is survived by his step-mother, Benita "Bonnie" Wood, and his Bancroft family who loved him well. Raymond enjoyed music, church, traveling, swimming and outings with his friends.

Funeral services were celebrated at the McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth St., Gloucester City. Burial was private in the Brigadier General William C. Doyle Veterans Cemetery, Wrightstown.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in his name be made to the Highland Park Church of God, 111 Baynes Avenue, Gloucester City 08030 or to Bancroft Judith B. Flickers Residences, 1001 Van Buren Avenue, Voorhees, NJ 08043. Please write in memo: Raymond A. Angleman.

Richard C. Murray (Dec. 10th)

Richard C. Murray, 71, of Runnemede, formerly of Grenloch, passed away on November 28, 2020.

Beloved son of the late Elmer and Frances. Loving brother of Catherine Wilson (the late Wayne), Jean Moffa (Tony) and Charlene Dailey (Michael). Dear uncle of six. Also survived by many other loving family members.

The Funeral Service was celebrated at the Gardner Funeral Home, 126 S. Black Horse Pike, Runnemede. Interment was in Bethel Cemetery, Hurffville.

Warren R. Dayton (Dec. 10th)

Warren R. Dayton, 96, of Runnemede passed away on November 25.

Beloved husband of the late Helene (nee Abramczyk). Devoted father of Edward Dayton (Shirley) and Margaret Louie (Allen). Loving Pop Pop of Alexis Nieto (Andres). Great grandpop of Blake and Raelyn. Dear brother of the late Richard Dayton, Edward M. Dayton, Eileen McDevitt and Elisa Williamson. Also survived by many nieces and nephews.

Warren proudly served in the U.S. Army Corp during World War II and was a past Commander of VFW Post #3324 in Runnemede.

The Funeral Service was celebrated at the Gardner Funeral Home, 126 S. Black Horse Pike, Runnemede. Interment was in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Chews Landing.

Carol T. Henry (Dec 17th)

Carol T. Henry of Gloucester City passed away peacefully on December 4, 2020, after a four-year battle with cancer.

Born in New York City, she moved to New Jersey as a young child, eventually settling in Gloucester City. She graduated Gloucester City High School in 1953 and worked early on as a bank teller. As a mother of five children, she led an active life. She was a Girl Scout leader for several years, including time as cookie mom. Mom drove us to swimming lessons, and Sunday pony rides in Bellmawr. We went to the Villas in Cape May each summer. She was a great daughter to her parents, spending each Saturday at their home caring for them, gardening and cleaning. Every Sunday there was dinner with games of Pinochle being played.

She became a single parent in the mid-70s and went back to school, where she achieved a certificate from CETA and worked for The March of Dimes and a travel agency before obtaining a job with the ARI Division of Holman Enterprises working as a fleet manager of leasing. She worked there for 20 plus years before retiring at age 62.
She retired and joined the Gloucester City Seniors on trips to Lancaster and Myrtle Beach. Her favorite trip was the one they did each year to Atlantic City to see the "shoe parade" of Miss America contestants. With the onset of grandchildren and great grandchildren, she had the opportunity to travel to Newport, St. Augustine, Myrtle Beach, Coral Springs, Jacksonville and Orlando.

She loved Butterfly World in Orlando, Dolly Parton's Stampede in Myrtle Beach and Johnzarottiis from John' Pizza. Scallops were her favorite from Colonial Diner, and fried oysters from the church fundraiser. She enjoyed bingo, Wii Bowling and reading. She was also a Kansas City Chiefs fan, and loved the Phillies.
She was a strong role model, raising four strong daughters and one son. She made awesome coleslaw and the worst mashed potatoes. She came by every Friday night to visit her children and grandchildren in her old station wagon (aka the green dragon). You could hear the valves tapping on it from a block away. Luckily, she purchased one of the first Hyundais sold in the area through Holman.

Mom is survived by her children, Lois Stecklair (Ed), Susan Nevins (Bob), Debra Willette (Bob), Lisa Lang (Frank) and David Henry. Known as Grammy she was the grandmother of Desiree Gruff, Jennifer Lang, Erica Harmon, Christine Singh, Frank Lang Jr, Danielle Lothridge, and Rebecca O'Brien. Predeceased by grandchildren Jason Abrams, Rosalie Kain and Stephanie Willette. Great Grandmother of Alexis and Elisha Ford, Tom Frank III, Emily, Jazmeen & Simran Singh, Piper & Kelsey Harmon, Neveah and Luca Lombardo, Benjamin and Ian Lothridge, Damien O'Brien and Mariah and Josiah Kain. She is also survived by her sister Joyce Huettner (Leo). Predeceased by her brother Stanley Matthews Jr. and parents Stanley and Theresa Matthews.

She faced cancer head on and fought till the end. We o thank Dr. Patel, Dr. Slovisky and their team at Cooper Hospital, as well as the wonderful people at Vitas Hospice in Stratford for their care and compassion in her final days.

Many thanks to her friends, neighbors and staff at Gloucester Towne for rides, meals and phone calls.
Funeral arrangements entrusted to the Creran Celebration Etherington & Creran Funeral Homes, 700 Powell St., Gloucester City.

Regina Pyrah (Dec. 17th)

Regina Magdelene Pyrah (Van Tassel, nee Gorman) 94, passed away peacefully on December 6, 2020, surrounded by her loving family in Gloucester City, where she had lived all her life.

Jean was the daughter of John F. Gorman and Mary M. Gorman. She was preceded in death by her husbands, Edward Van Tassel and John (Jack) Pyrah, her son Edward Jr., her brother Joseph Gorman, sister-in-law Mary Gorman, brother Francis Gorman, sister-in-law Margaret Gorman, sister Miriam Curtis, her twin brother Raymond Gorman, sister-in-law Agatha, and her daughter-in-law Venise Van Tassel.

She is survived by her children William Van Tassel, John Van Tassel (Susan), Patricia Johnson (James) and Jack Pyrah Jr., her brother-in-law Robert Curtis, nine grandchildren, 14 great grandchildren and a large extended family of nieces and nephews.

Jean was a breast cancer survivor whose strong faith and resilience sustained her through early tragic losses and for the rest of her years. Her whole life was devoted to her family and to her church. She loved to join in (or lead) the singing and dancing at countless family celebrations every year.

She was a lifelong parishioner of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Gloucester City, where she served in many volunteer capacities, both for the church and for the school, and where she attended daily Mass well into her 90s. Singing in the church choir inspired her in her later years.

Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated in St. Mary's Church, Gloucester City. Interment was at New St. Mary's Cemetery, Bellmawr.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, a celebration of Regina's life will take place at a later date.
In lieu of flowers, please consider a memorial contribution to St. Mary's Catholic Church, 420 Monmouth St, Gloucester City, NJ 08030.

Funeral arrangements entrusted to the McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth St., Gloucester City.

Alan F. Rusk (Dec. 24th)

Alan F. Rusk, 55, of Brooklawn, formerly of Gloucester City, passed away on December 16, 2020.

Survived by his beloved high school sweetheart of 40 years, Diane Alcorn Rusk. Amazing, wonderful, loving father and best friend to our oldest Theresa Lynn Rusk and her sister, Diane Lynn Rusk, Jr. AKA (DiDi); and his granddaughter Aubrey Lynn Rusk, who he adored more than anything and raised her since she was born.
Also survived by many brothers and sisters, and many, many nieces and nephews.

His passion was cars, as he owned and operated First Quality Auto Sales in Collingswood. He had a heart of gold and would help anyone and would give his shirt off his back. He will be missed more than anyone could ever imagine because they do not make them like Alan anymore. "We love you and promise to forever keep your memory alive!"

The Funeral Service was celebrated at the McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth St., Gloucester City. Interment was in Cedar Grove Cemetery, Gloucester City.

In lieu of flowers, donations to the family are requested or online at https://www.gofundme.com/f/alan-rusk-memorial-services.

Consuelo Cecelia Williams (nee Cuff) (Dec. 24th)

Incarnated as Consuelo Cecelia Cuff on the 27th day of August, 1950, in Atlantic City, Consuelo answered the call to return to her heavenly home on the 8th Day of December, 2020.The third of four children through the union of Alice Elizabeth Cuff (Oliver) of Montgomery, AL, and William Burton Cuff of Atlantic City, Consuelo was more popularly known as "Connie," and affectionately and selectively allowed to be called by some "Bud,, a childhood name given to her by her brothers as she was always their tomboy buddy.

She is preceded in crossing over by her mother and father, her sister Cheryl Dianne Brown and brother William Burton Cuff Jr. Shortly after her arrival on the Earth the Cuff family moved to Montgomery, AL, where Connie attended St. John the Baptist Catholic Elementary School and later an all-girls Catholic prep school. In the 60s the Cuff family relocated back to Atlantic City, at which time she attended Indiana Avenue Elementary School and then Holy Spirit Grammar School. Always a studious child, Bud also loved athletics, especially track and field where she won numerous races and long jump events.

She was joined in marriage to Andre Devon Williams, a native of Atlantic City. This union produced two sons, Gerard Christopher Williams and Eric Alexander Williams. Consuelo spent most of adult life working in the hospitality industry. She spent her younger years in Atlantic City where she enjoyed spending time on the beach and crabbing, playing card and board games, watching movies and gambling. Her love and concern for children extended to many throughout her years as she often provided childcare support for her friends.

Also, her generosity was also felt by all, in spite of her own limited resources. Connie was always a pillar of strength who made many, many sacrifices and endured much heartache and pain for the sake of family. Diagnosed with mental illness at an early age, Connie struggled with acceptance and compliance, and had several stretches of hospitalization in her lifetime. Even after divorce as a single parent, Connie's tenacity of purpose and maternal drive compelled her to come back from these episodes, to not only champion her own life and that of her children, but also to rise to the position of being a mental healthcare advocate. Her life wisdom and observations often amazed many who spent time with her.

Connie's physical form will be missed by her two sons, Gerard Christopher Williams and Eric Alexander Williams of Atlantic City, granddaughter Destiny Williams of Pleasantville, NJ; Brother Nanya Yaasuf-El of Wilmington, DE; Nephews: James Earl Brown, IV and Cedric Martin Brown of Atlantic City, NJ; Cousins: Betty Jean Foy (Pierce), Kim Ward (Oliver) and family, Pierre Jones and family, Barbara Arceneaux (Foy) and family, Steve Foy and family, all of Montgomery, AL; Deborah Foy of Birmingham, AL; Parrish (Nancy) Crittenden and family, Roderick (Jackie) Crittenden and family, all of Atlanta, GA; LaRue Harman (White) and family from Atlantic City, NJ; and many devoted friends.

At her request, services were be private.

Funeral arrangements entrusted to the McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth St., Gloucester City.

Elizabeth Alexander Daley (Dec. 24th)

Elizabeth Alexander Louise Daley, 26, of Gloucester City, passed away on December 15, 2020.

Wife of Tyler Jude Pierce (Revvy), child of Michael W. Daley Jr, and Jessica Eden Blakeslee (late), grandchild of Michael W Daley Sr (late) and Frances Ann Eckerle (late) and Clifford Blakeslee (late) and Pamela Crawford. Beloved child of Marie Daley, sibling of Eric Sean Pino Jr, Cassandra Marie Hall, Ashley Nicole Dunkerson, Jesse Gabriel Wicker, Michael W Daley III, and Danielle Fewer.

December 15 was a sad day for many as a beautiful soul has moved on to the next life while in the comfort of home surrounded by family. Liz-Xander was a young, feisty, and fiercely caring individual who has always said they never wanted to grow up; they always wanted to stay a kid. At only 26 years old, they taught us the true meaning of family and forgiveness. They also taught us the hard truth – no one lives forever. At 25, they went to the hospital for what seemed like minor health concerns.

Minor in the fact that none of us could have foretold such news. Liz-Xander was diagnosed with Stage 3 Adrenocortical Carcinoma. Disbelief and horror poured over everyone when we were given the news. Questions flooded our minds. How? Why? Liz-Xander had a very rare cancer. Not much research has gone into this specific disease because not many receive that heartbreaking news. Liz-Xander was determined to exorcise this demon. They attempted surgery straight away. After surgery, we had thought, hoped, and even prayed that it had removed the cancer that has overtaken them. By the time, they had done a scan, Liz was Stage 4. Cancer had spread throughout Liz-Xander's body. Liz-Xander tried chemo, clinical trials, and surgery to no avail.

Finally, it was time to make a tough decision; no more torture for this sweet person. Hospice was then introduced. Hospice did what they could to keep Liz-Xander comfortable in their final days, but I believe it was family and their beautiful wife, Rev, that really helped. Once Liz-Xander saw all the love together in one house; they felt it was time to let go. All this amazing person wanted in life was peace, love, family and that PS5 an amazing friend had gotten Liz-Xander the day prior. Bittabiff will forever be missed and those memories will be cherished forever more. We love you, Bittabiff (Xander). Until we meet again. April 06, 1994 ~ December 15, 2020.

Francis W. Crosson (Dec. 24th)

Francis W. "Frank" Crosson, 81, of Bellmawr, formerly of Gloucester City, passed away on December 18, 2020.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 54 years, Maryann Crosson (nee Ott). Frank was surrounded at death by his loving family. Loving father of Jill (Bruce) Darrow and loving grandsons Brett, Austin, Angel, Chris and Ron. Loving Father of Janeen (Chris) Coughlin and loving grandchildren Kylar and Aidan Coughlin. Dear Brother of Margaret (late Gilbert) Rossiter. Dear brother-in-law of Annamae Matyasik, Alice (Jim) Mendell, Gerri Johnson and the late Norma Kuder. Survived by many nieces and nephews.

Frank was known to many as Butch and was born in Gloucester City. He attended Gloucester Catholic High School, but graduated from Woodrow Wilson High School in 1959. He entered the U.S. Air Force Reserves, Air Rescue

Unit on September 7, 1961, and was discharged August 15, 1967. Frank was a member of the Gloucester City Police Department and the Washington Township Police Department. He retired as a Sergeant in 1990. Frank worked as an Investigator with the State of New Jersey: Department of Criminal Justice and retired in 2014.

Frank was a devoted Roman Catholic and lifelong parishioner of Saint Mary's R.C. Church. He entered the Diaconate in the Diocese of Camden and was ordained a Permanent Deacon in 1997. Frank served his home parish, St. Mary's for his entire time as a Deacon. He was a member of the Gloucester City Knights of Columbus Council # 674. Frank was devoted to his family, coaching his daughters in softball and always watching the grandchildren at their sporting events. He always had a smile on his face. Frank had a big heart and was always willing to help someone in need. He will be missed by all who knew him.

The viewing and Mass of Christian Burial were in St. Mary's Church, Gloucester City. Cremation was private, and inurnment in New Saint Mary's Cemetery, Bellmawr, was also private.

Family requests in lieu of flowers memorial donations in Frank's name to St. Mary's R.C. Church: 420 Monmouth Street, Gloucester City, NJ 08030 or Samaritan Hospice: Samaritan Gift Processing Center: PO Box 71425 Philadelphia, PA 19176-1425. Please write in memo: Frank Crosson.

Funeral arrangements entrusted to the McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth St., Gloucester City.

John W. Courter Sr. (Dec. 24th)

Some people are born good-looking. Some have the gift of gab. A man's gift of gab may take him to where his character cannot keep him. A man's character defines who he is. John W. Courter Sr. was that man with the gift of gab. He expressed himself with eloquence and fluency for 76 years until he was called home on December 9, 2020 at Virtua- Our Lady of Lourdes in Camden.

He was born to the late Earl and Esther Courter (nee Danielson) on November 23, 1944, in Camden City. John is predeceased by his son John Courter Jr. He is survived and will be greatly missed by his son Jeffrey Courter and his wife Bridget, his brother Earl Courter and his wife Janet, his ex-wife Gloria Dunn and her husband John, his cousin Charles, as well as his granddaughter Summer and good friend Lucy.

Just as our fingerprints are one-of-a-kind, so is our identity. Each of us is a once-only articulation of what humans can be. John was exactly that, one-of-a-kind. He was witty, and just an all-around, happy-go-lucky guy. John was an eccentric collector, and loved playing pinochle with Earl and Janet.

I know nothing more enjoyable than that happy-go-lucky wandering life, in which you are perfectly free; without shackles of any kind, without care, without preoccupation, without thought even of tomorrow. You go in any direction you please, without any guide.

Relatives and friends celebrated John's life at Creran Celebration Celebration Etherington & Creran Funeral Homes, 700 Powell Street, Gloucester City. Burial followed in Cedar Grove Cemetery.

John G. Porto (Dec. 24th)

John G. Porto, 72, of Runnemede passed away suddenly on December 11, 2020.

Loving husband of Debbie (nee Chiumento) of 25 years. He is survived by his children, grandchildren, and loving step-daughter, Danielle. John is also survived by his brother and three sisters.

John was a Jack-of-all-trades and a wealth of knowledge. He loved his aquariums, along with his classic cars, and enjoyed his bud light. John proudly served in the U.S. Navy during the Vietnam War.

The Memorial Service was held in the Gardner Funeral Home, 126 S. Black Horse Pike, Runnemede.

Mary Alice Barrett (Dec. 24th)

Mary Alice "Petey" Barrett (nee Yearicks), 97, of Gloucester City passed away peacefully on December 13, 2020.

Devoted wife of the late James Francis Barrett. "Petey" was born May 17, 1923, in Woodbury. Loving mother of James F. (Donna Marie), the late Michael F. (Mary), Kathleen Geraci (the late Salvatore) and Mary Alice. Also survived by grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Mary was a proud graduate of Gloucester City High School, Class of 1940.

A farewell ceremony and the witness of love's reunion was held in the Woodbury Memorial Park, West Deptford. As an expression of sympathy and in lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to a charity of the donor's choosing. Funeral arrangements entrusted to the Etheringon-Creran Funeral Home, 700 Powell St., Gloucester City.

Thomas E. Virden Sr. (Dec. 24th)

Thomas E. "Tom" Virden Sr., 79, of Gloucester City, formerly of Paulsboro, passed away on December 16, 2020.

Loving and devoted husband of 56 years to Veronica "Vicky" M. Virden (nee Settar). Beloved father of Thomas E. (Theresa) Virden Jr. of Brooklawn, Veronica M. Hemphill of Bellmawr, Sharon (Troy) Lail of Mickleton and Lisa (George) Dobleman of Gloucester City.

Cherished grandfather of Owen (Emily) Dobleman, Brianna (Anthony) Indelicato, Gabrielle Lail, Ashlee Lail, Barry (Abby) Hemphill, Troy (Maria) Lail, Jr., Dalton Dobleman and the late Austin Dobleman. Loving great-grandfather of Olivia. Predeceased by his father, Grover Virden, and mother, Catherine Virden (nee Hagan). Tom was the youngest of 10 siblings all who are deceased.

Tom was born, raised and lived many years in Paulsboro. He met the love of his life, Vicky, and they moved to Gloucester City. Tom was a security officer for the Camden County Sheriff's Department. Tom was a devoted Catholic and was a 56-year devoted parishioner of Saint Mary's Church in Gloucester City. He worked for 10 years as church custodian at St. Mary's Church. He truly loved St. Mary's and would always be available to help his church.

Tom's family meant everything to him. He would always be at his grandchildren's football games. He especially watched Paulsboro High School and Gloucester City High School football. Tom enjoyed crabbing and fishing. Relatives and friends are kindly invited to attend Tom's viewing from 9 to 11 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 23, at Saint Mary's R.C. Church, 426 Monmouth St., Gloucester City. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated 11:30 a.m. in the church. Interment with his grandson, Austin, will be at the family plot at New Saint Mary's Cemetery, Bellmawr. Face masks and social distancing are required in the church and at the cemetery.

Funeral Mass will be live-streamed on St. Mary's Church Gloucester City Facebook page.

Family respectfully requests memorial donations in lieu of flowers to the Austin G. Dobleman Scholarship Fund: c/o Gloucester City High School: 1300 Market St., Gloucester City, NJ 08030. Attn: Sean Gorman, Principal. Donations are also requested to Tom's beloved St. Mary's R.C. Church: 420 Monmouth St., Gloucester City, NJ 08030. Please write in memo: Thomas E. Virden, Sr.

Funeral arrangements entrusted to the McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth St., Gloucester City.

Wallace P. Coniglio (Dec. 24th)

Wallace P. Coniglio, 100, of Runnemede passed away on December 10, 2020.

Beloved husband of the late Anne (nee Carmany). Devoted father of Richard Coniglio. Loving brother of the late Anthony Coniglio and Rachel Severola. Also survived by nieces and nephews.

Wally retired after 44 years at Campbell Soup Co.
The Funeral Service was at the Gardner Funeral Home, 126 S. Black Horse Pike, Runnemede. Interment was in the Gate of Heaven Cemetery, Berlin.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that you please keep Wally in your thoughts and prayers.

Doris E. Pulaski (Dec. 31st)

Doris E. "Betty" Pulaski (nee Zane), 78, of Brooklawn passed away on December 21, 2020.

Born in Philadelphia, she was the daughter of the late William H. and Ruth E. (Wood) Zane. Loving and devoted mother of Joanne E. Pulaski. Beloved sister of Linda Shockley (John) and William B. Zane, she is also survived by nieces and nephews.

Doris was also predeceased by her husband, Joseph J. Pulaski on March 19, 2004, and her brother Stephen J. Zane in 2016.

Doris resided in Brooklawn since 1976. She was a former parishioner of St. Anne's and St. Maurice Church. She is a member of Saint Mary's Church in Gloucester City, where was a member of the choir. Doris was also a member of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas Local Court Giese #439, the Ladies' Ancient Order of Hibernians in Gloucester City, and the Ladies Auxiliary of the Brooklawn Fire Department #344.

The viewing and Mass of Christian Burial were celebrated at St. Mary's Church, Gloucester City. Interment was in New Saint Mary's Cemetery, Bellmawr.

Family respectfully requests memorial donations in lieu of flowers to St. Mary's R.C. Church: 420 Monmouth Street, Gloucester City, NJ 08030 or Catholic Extension, 150 South Wacker Drive, Suite 2000, Chicago, IL 60606. Please write in memo: Doris E. Pulaski.

Funeral arrangements entrusted to the McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth St., Gloucester City.

Jennie Harker (Dec. 31st)

Jennie S. Harker (nee Gaworek), 95, of Gloucester City, passed away on December 17, 2020.

Jennie's family was her life. Her greatest joy was being with her grandchildren and great grandchildren. She had a natural ability to always help others, loved doing so, and was an amazing role model for her family. Her home was the gathering place for countless family celebrations and home-cooked meals.

Jennie was a longtime member of the Gloucester City Senior Citizens Club and a devout parishioner of Saint Mary's Church in Gloucester City. She is the beloved wife of the late Orris Harker; loving mother of Kathleen Bucci (Lawrence), Patrick Harker (Emily) and the late Michael Harker (Margaret); devoted grandmother of Jennifer Bucci-Seckular, Colleen Harker, Thomas Harker, Christina Colameco, Michael Harker and Meghan Porcella; cherished great grandmother of Lewis, Fiona, Lydia, Shea and Michael; and dear sister of the late Gladys Orland, Julie Michalak, Helen Shirley, Joseph Gaworek and Caroline Pedersen.

Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated in St. Mary's Church, Gloucester City. Interment was in New St. Mary's Cemetery, Bellmawr.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to St. Mary's Church, 426 Monmouth St., Gloucester City, NJ 08030, or to Samaritan Hospice.

Kevin Girard Dempsey Sr. (Dec. 31st)

Kevin Girard Dempsey Sr., 69, of Gloucester City passed away on December 22, 2020. Age 69.

Loving and devoted husband of 52 years to Marcella G. "Marcie" Dempsey (nee Chismar).

Cherished father of Kelly A. Sauer and Kevin G. (Jennifer) Dempsey, Jr. Beloved grandfather of Paige M. Dempsey, Morgan C. Dempsey and Rylee A. Dempsey. Dear brother of Jean Napolitan, Mike Dempsey and Alan Dempsey.

Kevin was born in Riverside, and was a longtime resident of Gloucester City. He worked as a Senior Plant Manager at Maggio Printing in Bellmawr.

At the request of the family, cremation is private and there are no memorial services.

Funeral arrangements entrusted to the McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth St., Gloucester City.

Mary Mealey-Wilmot (Dec. 31st)

Mary T. "Marie" Mealey-Wilmot (nee Collier), 92, of Gloucester City, formerly of Fairview, passed away on December 19, 2020.

She is survived by her six children, Susan and Dan Mikolajczak, Mary Mealey LeFever, Pat and Andy Hodorowicz, John and Denise Mealey, Larry and Kathy Mealey and Jackie and Frank Haraksin. Sister of William Swain and Marianne Collier.

She has a tribe of 25 grandchildren and 25 great grandchildren, too many to name. Wife of the late Lawrence Mealey and the late Frank Wilmot. Daughter of the late Swain and Merab Collier. Grandmother of the late Tina Mikolajczak.

Marie graduated from Camden Catholic High School in 1946. She retired from Fox and Lazo Insurance Agency. She was a member of the former Club of Fairview Senior Citizens and the Women's Club of ICAC of Fairview, the Women's Club of the Sportsmen's Club of Gloucester, the Brooklawn Senior Citizens Club and the Altar & Rosary Society of St. Maurice Parish in Brooklawn.

Marie was presently an active member in the Auxiliary of VFW Post 3620 of Gloucester City, and the Gloucester City Senior Citizens Club, and a member of St. Joan of Arc Church in Fairview.

There Funeral Mass was private for the immediate family. A Celebration of Life will be scheduled at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations be made in Marie's memory to St. Joan of Arc RC Church, c/o Sacred Heart Church, 1739 Ferry Ave., Camden, NJ 08104.

Funeral arrangements entrusted to the Gardner Funeral Home, 126 S. Black Horse Pike, Runnemede.

Tyler Stewart (Dec. 31st)

Tyler J. Stewart, 35, of Phoenix, AZ, formerly of Runnemede, passed away on December 15, 2020.

Tyler was a loving son to James Stewart, Vanessa Hosmer and Stephan Hosmer. Devoted brother to Travis Stewart and loved by his stepsister Brooke Williams and his cousins: John, Mike, Jameson, Caitlyn, Rick, David, Katie, Cailun, Erin, Ryle, Jayden, Nicolas and Abigail.

He is survived by many aunts (Cookie, Roseanna, Patty, Heather, and Colleen) and uncles (Jeff and Chris Kowalczyk, and John, Jeff, Tom, and Dan Stewart). He is also survived by his loyal dogs, Koda and Jag.
He is predeceased by his cousin Ryan, his Aunt Peggy, his grandparents, and his childhood pet Tsar.

Tyler was raised in Runnemede and spent much of his life in the South Jersey area. He was known for his charming smile, a passion for the sport of wrestling, deeply loving his pets, his admiration for Allen Iverson of the Philadelphia 76ers, and his love for the beaches of Sea Isle.

Tyler enjoyed spending hours in the kitchen, perfecting his favorite recipes, and combining new flavors to create new ones. But above all, Tyler found the most joy in caring for others: being a big brother, working the service industry, and offering a helping hand when given the opportunity.

The viewing and Funeral Service were at the Gardner Funeral Home, 126 S. Black Horse Pike, Runnemede. Interment was private at the request of the family.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Homeward Bound Pet Adoption Center, formerly the Camden County Animal Shelter by visiting: https://homewardboundnj.org/donate/.