

Gloucester City News Obituaries September 2020

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Janet Busch (Sept. 10th)

In the loving care of her family, Janet Busch, 80, a lifelong resident of Gloucester City, peacefully passed away on August 31, 2020.

Born in Gloucester City, she was the daughter of the late Clifford and Doris (Sterling) Batezel. Janet is the loving mother of Michelle (James) McClintock of Gloucester City and Francis III (Martina) Busch of Doylestown, PA. Devoted Mom of MacKenzie and Madison McClintock of Gloucester City, Connor McClintock of Washington Township, and Hannah, Grace, and Emma Busch of Doylestown, PA. Sister of Clifford, Richard, and Raymond Batezel and Carolyn Masey.

Janet was wife of the late Francis Busch Jr., and was also predeceased by her sisters, Barbara Anyzek and Kim Morris. She enjoyed gardening, the Jersey shore, and spending time with her grandchildren.

Funeral services were private.

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

Joan A. Augustin (Sept. 10th)

Joan A. Augustin (nee Howard) of Bellmawr passed away peacefully at her home on August 27, 2020, at the age of 88.

Joan was preceded in death by her husband of 50 years, Charles Augustin. She leaves behind her four loving children, Charles (Suzanne), Maryann (Joseph) Wann, Cathy (John) Justin and Judy (Russell) Baji; 13 grandchildren: Charles and Claire Augustin, Justin, Benjamin (Hannah), Raymond and Theodore Wann, Adam and Kate Duffy, Ellie Justin, Christian, Alex, Ryan and Noah Baji; and her brother, Joe Howard.

Predeceased by her brothers, Jack and Gene as well as her sisters, Claire, Mae Gatti and Ann.

Mass of Christian Burial was at St. Maria Goretti Church, Runnemede. Interment was at New St. Mary's Cemetery, Bellmawr.

In lieu of flowers, please send memorial donations to Daughters of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, 424 E. Browning Road, Bellmawr, NJ 08031.

Funeral arrangements entrusted to the Healey Funeral Home, Haddon Heights.

Joan Reichert (Sept. 10th)

Joan Elizabeth Reichert, 68, passed away peacefully at home in Bellmawr on August 25, 2020.

The eldest daughter of the late Louis John and Elizabeth Reichert, she was predeceased by her nephew, Ross J. Reichert. She is survived by her daughter, Dina Dowdell, and siblings, Louis J. Reichert, Jr (Fran), Jean Reichert (Kenneth Brewer), June Reichert and Janice Reichert, as well as many beloved nieces and nephews.

Joan had a very successful career as a comptroller in the auto industry before retirement.

At her request, services will be private.

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

Matthew William Buonadonna (Sept. 10th)

Matthew William Buonadonna, 31, of Glendora passed away suddenly on September 2, 2020.

Beloved son of Joseph III and Shirley (nee Hall). Devoted brother of Joseph IV and Anthony. Loving grandson of Joseph Jr. and Mildred Buonadonna and the late William and Doris Hall. Longtime boyfriend of Chayle McFaul. Dear nephew of Debbie McGrail (Dennis), Tony Buonadonna (Joyce), Robert Hall (Karen), Linda McCausland (Jim), and the late William Hall. Also survived by many cousins and friends.

Matt was a member of Triton Regional High School Class of 2007, where he played varsity tennis. He then went onto attend Neumann University in Aston, PA. Matt loved playing hockey with GTHA and Black Horse Regional Ice Hockey. He also played for Glendora Little League and was an avid sports fan.

The Funeral Mass was celebrated at St. Teresa Church, Runnemede. Interment was at St. Joseph Cemetery, Chews Landing.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Matt's memory to Prodigal House Foundation, PO Box 655, Sewell, NJ 08080.

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

Sister Mary Morrison (Sept. 10th)

Sister Mary Ella Morrison, OP (Sister Margaret Therese) of the Dominican Sisters of Hope died peacefully on September 1, 2020.

The daughter of the late Thomas J. and Catherine V. (O'Connell) Morrison, she was born July 11, 1944 in Philadelphia, PA.

Sister Mary Ella entered the novitiate of the Dominican Sisters of Newburgh, NY, in September 1962, made her First Profession in June 1964, and Final Profession in June 1969. Sister Mary Ella earned her BA in Elementary Education from Mount Saint Mary College, Newburgh, and her MA in Religious Studies from Providence College. She also holds a Certificate in Preaching from the Aquinas Summer Institute in St. Louis.

Sister Mary Ella taught at Sacred Heart School in Newburgh NY, Saint Christopher School in Parsippany, NJ, Mount Saint Mary Academy in Newburgh, NY, Saint Ursula School in Mount Vernon, NY, Immaculate High School in Danbury CT and Our Lady of Lourdes High School in Poughkeepsie NY. From 1985-2002, she was a pastoral associate at Saint Brendan Parish in Elkins WV. From 2003 until 2011, Sister was a hospice chaplain in Elkins, WV. After she retired, she continued to minister to the communities of St. Brendan and St. Patrick parishes where she was greatly loved.

On June 14, 2020 in recognition of her lifetime service to all people regardless of race or faith, she was awarded the chapel of the Four Chaplains Legion of Honor Award presented by the Knights of Columbus, Council 603. This award is named after the four army chaplains who gave their lives aboard the USA Dorchester on February 3, 1943 during WWII. Her name is permanently inscribed in the record at the Chapel of the Four Chaplains Interfaith Memorial Chapel in the Navy Yard in Philadelphia.

Sister Mary Ella will always be remembered by her family and friends, especially the people of West Virginia, as a gentle woman who lived the Gospel with a generous spirit and a listening heart.

Sister Mary Ella is predeceased by her parents, her sister Kathleen Vuk and her brother Thomas Morrison. She is survived by her sister Margaret and her husband Joe Kain, her brother-in-law Bob Vuk, and nieces and nephews. Sister Mary Ella's Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Mary's Church, Gloucester City. The burial followed in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Swedesboro.

Donations in Sister Mary Ella's memory can be made to the Dominican Sisters of Hope Development Office, 299 N. Highland Avenue, Ossining, NY 10562.

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

Daniel C. Queen (Sept. 10th)

Daniel C. Quinn, 55, of Gloucester City, passed away on August 26, 2020.

Loving husband of MaryAnn Parker Queen. Beloved father of Kyle Davis and the late Amanda Davis. Predeceased by his parents, Calvin N. Queen, Sr. and Elizabeth Queen. Beloved brother of Calvin N. Queen, Jr. (Joan), the late Patricia Queen and the late Dennis Queen (surviving Sharon). Cherished uncle of Lisa Queen Massimino, Jennifer Marenzi, Elizabeth "Katie" Queen, Amber Queen, Stephanie Queen (Thomas Best), Daisy Queen and Christina Wills. Also survived by his adoring great nieces and nephews.

Dan worked as a supervisor for Bristol Environmental in Bristol, PA, and was a member of Local 78 for 20 years. At Dan's request, services will be private. A celebration of his life will be held at a late date.

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

William S. Smith (Sept. 10th)

William S. Smith, 88, of Gloucester City, formerly of Runnemede, passed away on August 31, 2020.

Loving husband of 61 years to the late Alaine Smith (nee Marley). Beloved father of Steven Smith (Elizabeth) and Renee Smith. Predeceased by his sons, Mark, Richard and Robert Smith. Cherished grandfather of five and great-grandfather of six. Beloved brother of Audrey Theresa Sutowski.

William proudly served our country in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War and in the U.S. Army National Guard for 27 years. He retired from General Wire & Cable in Moorestown.

Interment services and military honors were at Brig. Gen. William C. Doyle Veterans Cemetery, Wrightstown.

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

William E. Graves (Sept. 10th)

William E. Graves, 77, of White Haven, PA, passed away on August 27, 2020, at Geisinger Wyoming Valley Hospital.

Born in Camden, he was the son of the late William and Elizabeth Maltman Graves. He graduated from Gloucester High School and worked as a chemical technician for Huntsman Polypropylene in West Deptford. Most important thing to William was his family and hunting. He traveled the world extensively hunting.

He was a member of Blakelee United Methodist Church and a former member of the Elks Lodge, NJ, and was a lifetime member of Safari Club International. He served his country proudly in the U.S. Air Force during Vietnam and was the recipient of the Air Force Longevity Service Award Ribbon and the National Defense Service Medal.

In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his brother, Dennis Graves, and granddaughter, Gianna Graves. In addition to his loving wife, Karen Joan Smith Graves, he is survived by son, William (Paula) Graves of Penn Lake, PA; daughter, Suzanne (Ron) Rutan of Manahawkin; and sister, Pat Tetta of Chatham. He will be deeply missed by his loving grandchildren: Quentin Rutan; James and Viveca Graves.

Memorial service will be Saturday, October 3, at 11 a.m. in Blakeslee United Methodist Church, Blakeslee, PA, with Pastor Joseph Healey officiating.

William A. Peak Jr. (Sept. 10th)

William A. "Bill" "Willy" Peak Jr., 85, of Voorhees passed away on August 30, 2020.

Born in Camden, he is the son of the late William A. Peak, Sr. and Margaret (Wheaton) Peak. William is survived by his only daughter, Laura Hickerson of Sicklerville; grandchildren, Dylan M. Hickerson and Sophia M. Laureano; only brother, David W. Peak; niece, Kelly Clark; and nephew, David A. Peak.

Bill worked for over 30 years as a corporate accountant for Sperry Corporation (now Unisys) in Blue Ball, PA, and retired in the early 1990s. Bill was a dedicated father who lived for his daughter and always put her first no matter what! Bill also loved being a Pop-Pop to his two grandchildren and was very involved with anything they did.

Bill will be missed by so many but never forgotten! Honoring his wishes, there will be no visitation or services.

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

Les W. Gant Sr. (Sept. 17th)

Les W. Gant Sr., formerly of Runnemede, was born on September 26, 1928, and passed away September 2, 2020, at the age of 91.

Les is survived by his loving wife of 67 years, Doris Gant. Also survived by his daughter Nancy Atwood and her husband David of Cape Coral Florida, his grandson Michael Prickett Jr. of North Carolina, and several nieces and nephews. Les was predeceased in death by his son Les W. Gant Jr.

A private ceremony was held at the Coral Ridge Funeral Home in Cape Coral, FL.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers, please make a donation to your local fire department.

Austin Dobleman (Sept. 17th)

Austin George Dobleman, 25, of Gloucester City passed away suddenly on September 8, 2020, from injuries sustained from a motor vehicle accident.

Beloved and cherished son of George J. and Lisa Ann Dobleman (nee Virden). Beloved brother of Owen Dobleman (fiancé Emily Anderson) and Dalton Dobleman. Cherished grandson of Thomas and Veronica Virden. Beloved nephew of Tom Virden Jr. (Theresa), Veronica Hemphill and Sharon Lail (Troy). Loving cousin of Brianna, Anthony and Olivia Indelicato, Barry Hemphill, Gabrielle, Ashlee and Troy Lail, Jr. (Maria) and Josh Dobleman. Loving boyfriend of Kristina Kocher. Austin is also survived by his loving and faithful dogs, Peyton and Manning, many loving friends, “Goons” and “Lizards.”

Austin was a graduate of Gloucester High School Class of 2013, where he excelled on the football field. He continued his studies and graduated from Kings College in Wilkes-Barre, PA with degrees in Criminal Justice, Sociology and Psychology. Austin was recently accepted by the Capitol Police in Washington D.C., where he planned to start his dream of becoming a police officer.

The viewing and Mass of Christian Burial were at St. Mary's Church, Gloucester City, Tuesday, Sept. 15. Interment followed in New St. Mary's Cemetery, Bellmawr.

In lieu of flowers, donations are requested to the Austin G. Dobleman Scholarship Fund, c/o Gloucester City High School, 1300 Market St., Gloucester City, NJ 08030. Attn: Sean Gorman.

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

Albert J. DiSalvio Sr. (Sept. 24th)

Albert J. DiSalvio Sr., 62, of Bellmawr passed away suddenly on September 13, 2020.

Beloved husband of Regina (nee Gmaz). Devoted father of Kathleen Coluzzi (Matthew), Rosemary DiSalvio (Elijah), and Albert DiSalvio Jr. (Emily Kaschak). Loving grandfather of Willow, Paisley and Paige.

Dear brother of Michael DiSalvio (Linda) and brother-in-law of Mary King (Charles), Nancy Gmaz, Joseph Gmaz (Jackie), and Debbie Keller (Jim). Also survived by many nieces and nephews.

The Funeral Mass was celebrated at Annunciation BVM Church, Bellmawr. Interment is private at the request of the family.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Albert's memory to Gift of Life Donor Program, 401 North 3rd street, Philadelphia, PA 19123.

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

Elsa Flores (Sept. 24th)

Elsa Flores, 78, of Vineland, formerly of Buena, passed away on September 4, 2020.

Beloved wife of Jorge Flores. Elsa was a homemaker. Graveside services were celebrated in the Land of Canaan Cemetery, Glassboro. There was no visitation.

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

John A. Januszewski (Sept. 24th)

John A. Januszewski, 83, of Bellmawr, formerly of Woodlynne, passed away on September 15, 2020.

Beloved husband of Marion (nee Jones). Devoted father of Eileen Nelson (Bill), John Januszewski, and Wayne Januszewski (Barbara). Loving grandfather of Shaelyn, Brooke, and Brandon Nelson and Stacy Lemming and great grandfather of Noah. Brother of Gerri.

John loved playing football in his youth, and always enjoyed watching football. He proudly served with the US Navy National Guard.

Services and interment were private at the request of the family.

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

Margaret B. Jagielski (Sept. 24th)

Margaret B. "Marge" Jagielski, 89, of Sewell passed away suddenly on September 15, 2020

Marge is survived by her daughter, Lee Ann Jagielski-Maginnis, and her son, John Edward Jagielski.

The services will be private at the family's request.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia – Oncology Program. Checks may be made payable to the CHOP Foundation; please write Margaret Jagielski in memo section of check.

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

Michael J. Pratt Sr. (Sept. 24th)

Michael J. Pratt Sr., 58, of Somers Point, formerly of Bellmawr, passed away suddenly on September 9, 2020.

Born in Woodbury, NJ, he was the son of Jackie Pratt and the late Edward J. Pratt. Michael is survived by his husband, Michael D. Burnett; son, Michael J. Pratt, Jr.; daughter, Katie Pratt; brothers, George Stetser, Edward Pratt (Patti), Ryan Pratt; sisters, Denise Pratt and Kelley Gibbons (Bob); grandchildren, Leilan and Evan. Michael was also predeceased by his brother, John H. Pratt.

Following his high school graduation, Michael proudly served his country in the US Navy, during Desert Storm. He later worked as a waiter for the Empire Diner. Michael was a longtime volunteer fireman with the Verga Fire Company #1 and the Somers Point Fire Department Company #1 & #2.

Funeral services were celebrated at the McCann- Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth St., Gloucester City. Burial followed with military honors in the Atlantic County Veterans Cemetery, Mays Landing.

In lieu of flowers, contribution in memory of Michael to: <https://gf.me/u/yyt5rx>.

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