

Deaths

Scott J. Covell, age 51, August 16, 2014, Olthof Funeral Home

Stuart J. Crossen, age 78, of Mansfield, PA, July 22, 2014, Gary W. Wilston Funeral Home

Kenneth W. Ernest, age 80, August 18, 2014, Olthof Funeral Home

Beverly J. Harrington, age 66, of Elmira, August 15, 2014, James D. Barrett Funeral Home

Robert “Bob” Kreger, of Morris, August 18, 2014, Tussey-Mosher Funeral Home

Myron “Paulie” Kremel, of Elmira, August 16, 2014, Olthof Funeral Home

Evelyn Petelchuk Meade, of Hoseheads, August 16, 2014, Sullivans Funeral Home

Jane Wheaton Murdock, age 92, of Horseheads, August 18, 2014, Barber Funeral Home

Mary Jane Nitche, age 86, of Montour Falls, August 18, 2014, Haughey-Wood Funeral Home

Gladys L. Powers, age 85, of Lawrenceville, PA, August 18, 2014, Kenyon Funeral Home

Rita Ellen (Chambers) Youngs, age 88, of Nichols, August 15, 2014, Sutfin Funeral Chapel

The list of area deaths that appears above is provided free of charge. The obituaries, in memoriams and cards of thanks elsewhere on this page are paid announcements.

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KREMEL, Myron "Paulie"

Was born September 10, 1955 in Elmira, NY. Paulie passed away after a yearlong battle with cancer on Saturday, August 16, 2014. He was a dedicated employee of Anchor Glass Container Corp in Elmira Heights for over 30 years. His father, Peter Kremel and brother, Michael Kremel predeceased him. Paulie is survived by his mother, Anastasia Hucul Kremel of Elmira, NY; sister, Olga "Sue" Kremel and nephew, Jason Holmes of Elmira, NY; sister and brother-in-law, Helen (George) Faulkner, Jr. of Elmira, NY; nieces, Krista (Paul) Scott of Elmira, NY; Kayla Faulkner of Ithaca, NY. Family and friends are invited to call at the Olthof Funeral Home, Inc. 1050 Pennsylvania Ave. Elmira/Southport, NY on Tuesday, August 19, 2014 from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. Family and friends will also meet at the Funeral Home on Wednesday, August 20 at 10:30 AM to process over to St. Peter & Paul's Cemetery for the Graveside Services for Paulie. The Reverend Robert Batcho will officiate. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be directed to St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church 410 E. McCanns Blvd. Elmira, NY 14903. Paulie's guestbook may be signed in obituaries at www.olthof.com


In Memoriam

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Youngs, Rita Ellen (Chambers)

of Nichols: Rita Ellen (Chambers) Youngs 88, of East River Road Nichols, NY formerly of Sayre, PA, passed away peacefully at her daughter's home with her family at her side on August 15, 2014 after a brief battle with cancer. Rita was born May 10, 1926 at home in Alpine, NY. After graduating from Van Etten High School in 1944, Rita married Edward Paul Chambers of Ridgebury, PA in 1948. Together they raised four children. Always a caring mother to her family, she served as a cub Scout den leader, assisted with girl scouts, and a helper throughout her lifetime to many organizations. Edward passed away in 1978. Rita worked briefly outside the home at Sayre Lingerie, IBM Owego and F.M.Howell Co. in Elmira. Rita remarried on August 27, 1983 to Milfurd (Jimmy) W. Youngs of Elmira, NY. They enjoyed a long retirement together gardening, camping in the area with their friends, enjoying the fire. In the early years they spent most of their winters in Florida. Together they were loving Grandparents who often watched (and may have spoiled) their grandchildren. Her family loved spending time with her she was "Mother" in the true sense of the word. Rita's hobbies were cooking, baking, and doing crafts. She always looked forward to what tomorrow would bring. She will be missed for her kind gentle and caring manner. Rita was an active Member of the Nichols United Methodist Church, where she was a member of the United Methodist Women. She was also a member of the Beta Sigma Phi. Rita is survived by her husband of 31 years, Jimmy; two daughters, Cheryl (Cliff) Signor of Whitney Point, NY and Sheila (Tom) Jennings of Vestal, NY; two sons, Michael (Denise) Chambers of Nichols, NY and Charles (Kathleen) Chambers of Nichols, NY; one sister, Louise (Gene) Benson of Gillette, PA; one brother, Howard (Mary) Gallow of Ballwin, MO; eight grandchildren Shannon (Doug) Prough, Matthew Chambers, Nicholas (Trish) Chambers, Maureen Jennings, Kyla (Tim) Baker, Sarah Smith, Julie Chambers, Cassie Chambers. Rita has twelve great grandchildren and two great great grandchildren, several nieces and nephews. Family and friends are invited to attend a period of visitation and time of sharing memories on Monday, August 25th from 11-1 pm at the Sutfin Funeral Chapel, 273 S. Main St., Nichols. A Memorial Service and Celebration of her life will follow at 1 pm. Memories, condolences and pictures may be shared by visiting our website at www.sutfinfuneralchapel.com. Those who wish may kindly consider a memorial contribution to Lourdes Hospice, 4102 Old Vestal Road, Vestal, NY 13850 in loving memory of Rita.

MEADE, Evelyn Petelchuk

of Horseheads, NY entered Eternal and Blessed repose on Saturday, August 16, 2014, surrounded by her family. Evelyn was born on November 6, 1928, one of six children of Safron and Mary (Wolosonovich) Petelchuk. She was the beloved wife of William F. Meade Sr. for 53 years before his passing in 2004. Evelyn is survived by daughter and son-in-law, Nancy and Michael Karney of Horseheads, NY; son and daughter-in-law, William and Lori Meade of Mechanicsville, VA; grandchildren and spouses, Shawn Michael and Kathryn Karney of Elmira, NY, Sarah and Stephen Brown of Horseheads, NY, Richelle and Elvys Padilla of Charlotttsville, VA, Kirsten and Kyle Orday of Quinton, VA and granddaughter, Jenna Meade of Mechanicsville, VA; great-grandchildren, Natalie and Emilia Karney, Shea, Jack and Oliver Brown and Eliana and Daniel Padilla; step-grandchildren, Kelsey (Tim) Clair of Hornell, NY, Hilary Packer of Mechanicsville, VA and Gabriel Packer of Canisteo, NY. Evelyn is also survived by her sister and brother-in-law, Mildred and Thomas Cheplick of Elmira Heights, brothers-in-law, David Cheplick of Elmira Heights, Frank Peters, formerly of Elmira Heights and Ted Chapman of Horseheads, NY, along with many nieces and nephews. Evelyn was predeceased by her brother, Paul Petelchuk and his wife Anna Petelchuk; sister, Irene Cusick and her husband William Cusick; sister, Helen Arnold Peters and her first husband Henry Arnold; sister, Mary Cheplick; sisters-in-law, Loretta Chapman and Mae (Bud) Dickinson. Evelyn was a faithful Orthodox Christian and a lifetime communicant of Holy Trinity Orthodox Church in Elmira Heights, NY. Evelyn will be remembered for her many years of employment with Marine Midland Bank, Elmira Savings Bank and in a second career as an associate with The Bon-Ton at Arnot Mall. Evelyn was also a long time election inspector for the Town of Horseheads. The family of Mrs. Meade would like to recognize The Guthrie Clinic, especially Dr. Sheela Prabhu and Dr. Matt Novak, along with the many nurses and care providers of Robert Packer Hospital's 6 Northwest unit and 5 main unit for the care and compassion they gave to Mrs. Meade. Family and Friends are invited to call at the Sullivan Funeral Home on Friday, August 22nd from 2 to 4p.m., Family and friends are further invited to call at Holy Trinity Orthodox Christian Church, 137-139 Horseheads Blvd., Elmira Heights, from 7p.m. to 9p.m., with a Memorial Service (Panahida) there at 8:00p.m. The Funeral Service is to take place in Church on Saturday, August 23rd at 10:00a.m., followed by committal prayers in Holy Trinity Orthodox Cemetery. Archpriest Jason Kappanadze celebrating. The family graciously accepts remembrances with flowers or donations in Evelyn's memory may be directed to the Holy Trinity Orthodox Christian Church, 137-139 Horseheads Blvd. Elmira Heights, NY 14903. Grant Eternal and Blessed Repose O Lord, to thy handmaiden Evelyn and make her Memory to be Eternal.

Nitche, Mary Jane

Watkins Glen: Mary Jane Nitche, 86, of Watkins Glen, NY passed away peacefully on Monday, August 18, 2014 at Seneca View Skilled Nursing Home in Montour Falls. Family and friends may call on Friday, August 22, 2014 from 9:00-10:30am at the Link at St. Mary's of the Lake Church, 905 N. Decatur St., Watkins Glen, NY 14891. A Mass of Christian Burial will follow at 10:30. Burial will take place at St. Mary's Cemetery.

Mary Jane was born on April 2, 1928 in Montour Falls, NY to the late Samuel & Catherine (Martin) Baldwin. She was a housewife, waitress/ hostess for many years and a substitute clerk for the Town of Reading. Mary Jane chaired the Christmas Bazaar and was a member of the St. Mary's Guild. She enjoyed crocheting afghans for family, friends and charity. She also enjoyed baking and provided baked goods for local restaurants. She is survived by her sons James (Maria) Nitche of Victor and Benedict Nitche of Horseheads; grandchildren Christina, Lea and Anthony Nitche of Victor; brother Sam (Barbara) Baldwin; special cousin Mary King; several nieces, nephews and cousins. Mary Jane was predeceased by her husband of 53 years Benedict J. Nitche.

Family and friends may sign the guestbook at www.haughey-woodfunerahome.com

Unshackle Upstate ranks N.Y. lawmakers

Staff report

State Sen. Tom O'Mara, R-Big Flats, announced Tuesday he received the state Senate's second-highest ranking, 93 percent, from Unshackle Upstate on the group's 2014 Legislative Scorecard. Unshackle Upstate is an advocacy organization made up of business and trade organizations representing every upstate region.

The guide ranks the voting record of every state legislator on pieces of legislation the legislature considered in 2014 that reflect the organization's agenda. See the full report card at unshackleupstate.com.

In the Senate, Republicans Patrick Gallivan, of the 59th District, and James Seward, of the 51st District, received 100 percent ratings while Republican Catherine Young, of the 57th district, also received a 93 percent rating.

In the Assembly, Republican Phil Palmesano, R-Corning, received a 94 percent rating while Republican Christopher Friend, R-Big Flats, received an 82 percent rating.

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State Sen. Tom O'Mara, R-Big Flats, got the second-highest rating this year from the advocacy group Unshackle Upstate.

‘Recent polling has shown that taxes and job creation are key issues for people across the state.’

BRIAN SAMPSON
Unshackle Upstate executive director

for people across the state. Our 2013-2014 legislative scorecards accurately reflect which legislators have advanced measures that help taxpayers and job creators," said Brian Sampson, executive director of Unshackle Upstate, in a statement.

Obituaries

Crossen, J. Stuart

J. Stuart Crossen, 78, of Mansfield, PA, passed away July 22, 2014 at Broad Acres Nursing Home, Wellsboro, PA. Friends are invited to attend a memorial service for Stuart to be held Saturday, August 23, 2014 at 11:00 AM at St. James Episcopal Church, with Rev. Rowena Gibbons officiating. Family will provide the flowers. Memorial contributions in Stuart's memory may be made to St. James Episcopal Church 18 St. James St. Mansfield, PA 16933, Animal Care Sanctuary 11765 Rt. 6 Wellsboro, PA 16901, or Partners in Progress 332 S. Main St. Mansfield, PA 16933. A service of Gary W. Wilston Funeral Home.

MURDOCK, Jane Wheaton

Age 92 and long time resident of Kinley Place Horseheads, NY, passed away on Mon Aug. 18, 2014. She was predeceased by her husband of 53 years, Alden; sisters, Alice Thomas and Louise Krasnow. She is survived by her daughter, Cynthia Naegely and grandchildren, Scott and Jessica of Maine. Mrs. Murdock loved to dance and was an avid bridge player. Family and friends are invited to call at the Barber Funeral Home 413 S. Main St. Horseheads on Thursday, Aug. 21, 2014, from 3-6:00 pm. Her service will be celebrated in the funeral home on Friday at 11:00 am. A time of food, sharing and fellowship will immediately follow at the Hilton Garden Inn in Horseheads. Those wishing may also remember Jane with memorials to Chemung County Humane society and SPCA 2535 State Rt. 352 Elmira, NY 14903. www.barberfuneralhome.com

Covell, Scott J.

Was born January 26, 1963 in Elmira the son of Richard and Rosalie (Pelow) Covell passed away unexpectedly on Saturday, August 16, 2014 at the age of 51. His parents, Richard and Rosalie and his brother, Martin "Marty" Covell preceded him in death. He is survived by his loving wife of 18 years, Michelle; children: Eric (Brenda) Ripley, Lindsey (David) Ripley and Adam Ripley all of Florida; grandchildren, David and Jonalee; siblings: Richard (Robin) Covell of Florida; Randy (Wendy) Covell of Elmira, NY; Kelly Covell also of Elmira, NY; Shannon (Thomas) Fletcher of Elmira, NY; nieces and nephews: Tiffany and Brian Bogucki; Joshua Covell; David and Devin Hall; Ricky Sawyer; along with several aunts, uncles, cousins and many friends. For many years, Scott was a carpenter in Florida. He loved animals and fishing. He was an avid New York Yankees and Pittsburg Steeler fan. Scott had a great sense of humor, enjoyed laughter and will be remembered for the love he showed to everyone. Family and friends are invited to celebrate Scott's life on Sunday, August 24, 2014 at Harris Hill at 2:00 PM. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Olthof Funeral Home, Inc. 1050 Pennsylvania Ave. Elmira/Southport, NY. Scott's guestbook may be signed in obituaries at www.olthof.com Thank You: The Covell family wishes to extend their sincere gratitude and appreciation to the Chemung County Nursing Facility 2nd floor and the rehab staffs for the outstanding care and compassion given to Scott.

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