

obituaries

Margaret Shunk

LEESBURG, Fla. — Funeral services for Mrs. Margaret Shunk, 81, of Leesburg, Fla. and formerly of Massena, were held recently in Leesburg.

Mrs. Shunk died Jan. 18, 1985 in Leesburg.

She is survived by five children: Charles S. Shunk of Syracuse; Robert Shunk of Potsdam; Marie Koebel of Geneva; Ann Burnette of Leesburg; Patricia West of Ocala, Fla.; 23 grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Shunk was born in 1903.

Lauris Joseph Leary

SANFORD, Fla. — Funeral services for Lauris Joseph Leary, 66, of 3113 Ohio Ave., Sanford, Fla. and formerly of the Potsdam area, will be held Wednesday (Jan. 30, 1985) at the Gramkow Funeral Home and the All Souls Catholic Church, both of Sanford. Burial will be in Colton.

Mr. Leary died Sunday (Jan. 27, 1985) at the Central Florida Regional Hospital in Sanford.

Surviving are his wife, Nicles; a son, Michael Leary of Lake Buena Vista, Fla.; a daughter, Patricia Thomas of Sanford, with whom he and his wife resided while in Florida; a brother, John P. Leary of Massena, Fla.; and a grandchild.

Mr. Leary was a pilot in the U.S. Navy, he retired at the rank of lieutenant commander. He and his wife had spent winters in Florida for many years since his retirement from the service.

Mr. Leary was a member of the All Souls Catholic Church in Sanford, the Potsdam Elks Lodge, and the VFW Post 1018 of Sanford.

Marion Ruth Rabideau

PARISHVILLE — Funeral services for Marion Ruth Rabideau, 72, of Parishville, will be held at the convenience of the family at St. Mary's Church in Potsdam. Burial will be in St. Mary's Cemetery, Fort Covington.

Arrangements are with the Seymour Funeral Home in Potsdam and calling hours are also at the convenience of the family.

Mrs. Rabideau died Thursday (Jan. 24, 1985) at the Massena Memorial Hospital.

Surviving are a son, James, Norwood; a daughter, Mrs. Nelson (Margaret) Robinson, Potsdam; a sister, Mrs. Lena LaPage, Potsdam Nursing Home; five grandchildren, Steven, James Jr., William, Robert, and Debra; and a great-grandchild.

She was born in Fort Covington on April 14, 1912, daughter of Louis and Margaret LaBrake LaPage. She was the widow of Edward Rabideau, who died in June of 1981.

The couple had operated a farm in the town of Parishville.

Howard B. Cota

DEKALB JUNCTION — Funeral services for Howard B. Cota, 77, Dekalb Junction, were held Monday (Jan. 28, 1985) at 11 a.m. at the Denesha Funeral Home in Dekalb Junction, with the Rev. Andrew Amyot officiating. Burial will be in the East Dekalb Cemetery.

Mr. Cota died Friday (Jan. 25,

Hospital in Ogdensburg, where he had been a patient since Jan. 19.

Surviving are his wife, Anna; a son, Robert, Arizona; three daughters, Mrs. Harold (Irene) Vrooman of Carthage, and Mrs. Robert (Celia) Murray and Mrs. Eugene (Pauline) Murphy, both of Madrid; three brothers, Clarence, Canton, Glen, Long Island, and Bernard, of Massachusetts; three sisters, Mrs. Ruth Ayers and Mrs. Goldie Wheeler, both of Canton, and Mrs. Eleanor Powell, Kentucky; several grandchildren; a great-grandchild; and nieces and nephews. Two sisters, Ethel and Gladys, predeceased him.

Mr. Cota was born in Cray Mills on July 21, 1907, son of Morris and Vina Towner Cota. He attended Canton schools and later married the former Beatrice Day. That marriage ended in divorce.

He then married the former Anna Maroney.

Mr. Cota was a cattle dealer and farmer in the Madrid area until 1977 when they moved to their present home in Dekalb Junction.

Prashaw, Zephyr Hills, Fla. Mrs. Jean Allen, Norton, Ohio, and Barbara Pierce, Ogdensburg; four brothers, William Pierce, Heuvelton, Thomas Pierce, Ogdensburg, Raymond Pierce, Medina, Ohio, and Harris Pierce, Cortland; four grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

She was born in Depeyster on Feb. 9, 1932, daughter of Leslie and Ruth Harder Pierce. She attended local schools. On Dec. 2, 1950, she married Lawrence Lawton of Ogdensburg in Heuvelton.

After their marriage, Mr. Lawton served in the U.S. Navy until 1955. In 1957, they bought a farm on the Flackville Cemetery Road, working there until 1966. They then established Lawton Electric Sales and Service, in which Mrs. Lawton was a partner.

Mrs. Lawton was a member of the Methodist Church in Flackville. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Floyd Felton

Funeral services for Floyd E. Felton, 89, of the South Canton Road, R.D. 1, Potsdam, were held Saturday (Jan. 26, 1985) at 2 p.m. at the Church of the Nazarene in Potsdam. Burial was in the Bayside Cemetery, Potsdam.

Mr. Felton died Tuesday evening (Jan. 22, 1985) at the Potsdam Hospital.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Pearl Felton; a son, Roy, Indiana; two daughters, Mrs. Edwin (Mary) Sanford, Rhode Island, Mrs. Gene (Ruby) Rizzo, Florida; nine grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; four stepdaughters, Mrs. Roland (Gladys) Debn, Potsdam, Mrs. John (Irma) Hayes, Canton, Mrs. Charles

(Ellen) Hayes, Potsdam, Mrs. Dean (Phyllis) Gilbert, Saranac Lake; six stepsons, Erwin Stone and Earl Stone, of Potsdam, Howard Stone, Massena, Millard Stone, Canton, Henry Stone, Norwood, Ronald Stone, Potsdam; 47 stepgrandchildren; 27 stepgreat-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

He was born in Burke, N.Y. on Jan. 23, 1895, son of Albert and Betty Fifield Felton. He married Pearl Cornell Stone on Aug. 12, 1919, in Potsdam. His first wife predeceased him.

He was a member of the Racquette Masonic Lodge F&AM 213, Potsdam and the Royal Arch Masons 300, Massena.

Mary Eva Wood

COLTON — Funeral services for Mary Eva Wood, 92, were held Saturday (Jan. 26, 1985) at 11 a.m. at the Buck Funeral Home in Colton with the Rev. Janet Gibbs officiating. Burial will be in the Hillcrest Cemetery, Parishville.

Mrs. Wood died Wednesday (Jan. 23, 1985) at the St. Joseph's Nursing Home in Ogdensburg.


Surviving are a son, Robert, Parishville; two daughters, Mrs. Robert (Vivian) Weegar, Mrs. Earl (Celia) Sheldon, both of Parishville; six grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by two sisters, Celia Covey and Lennie Himkson.

She was born in South Colton on June 9, 1892, daughter of Henry and Emma Charles Newton. She married George Wood on July 2, 1919. Mr. Wood died in March of 1964.

She was a housewife and homemaker all her married life.

BASIC TRAINING

Leslie Reynolds, a 1982 graduate of Potsdam High School, is currently at the U.S. Navy Basic Training Camp in Orlando, Fla. Her address is: S.R. Reynolds, USN 078620634; CO K035, Div. 9; Recruit Training Command; Orlando, Fla.; 32813-6100.



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Patricia Lawton

LISBON — A memorial service for Patricia Lawton, 52, of R.D. 1, Ogdensburg, were held Sunday (Jan. 27, 1985) at 3 p.m. at the Fox Funeral Home in Lisbon with the Rev. Betty Masters of the church officiating. Burial will be in the Flackville Cemetery.

Mrs. Lawton died Tuesday (Jan. 22, 1985) in the Lake Wales Hospital in Lake Wales, Fla.

Surviving are her husband, Lawrence; two sons, Bernard and Timothy, both of Ogdensburg; three daughters, Paula Lawton, Troy, N.Y., Susan Morley, Lisbon, and Sandra Lawton, a student at Clarkson College; five sisters, Mrs. Cecil Parish, Lisbon, Mrs. June Ames, Potsdam, Mrs. Beverly

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