Obituaries and Death Notices



Marjorie E. Beltramo

Marjorie Evelyn (White) Beltramo, 85, of Chisholm, formerly of Sturgeon Township and Hibbing, passed away on Monday, April 28, 2014, at Heritage Manor in Chisholm. Marjorie's family would like to acknowledge and thank the staff and volunteers at Heritage Manor for the wonderful care given her.

Funeral services will be held at 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 3 at Mlaker Funeral Home in Cook, where visitation will be from 1:30 p.m. until the hour of service. Rev. Arthur Dale will be the officiant. The honorary bearers will grandchildren Sandra Vreeman, Jill Mankus, Dawn Kallio, Larissa Tinker, Paul Crego III, Jason Fosso, Justin Fosso, Brian Beltramo, Sara Beltramo and Lilly Beltramo. A reception in Marjorie's honor will immediately follow at the social hall in Trinity Lutheran Church. Burial will be at a later date in the Alango Township Cemetery. Arrangements are with Mlaker Funeral Home in Cook.

She was born on April 12, 1929, in Orr, to Reino and Ida (Impola) White. She grew up in Orr and moved to Sturgeon Township at the age of 16 with her family. She graduated from Alango High School in 1948, and was employed at the Chisholm shirt factory for several years. Marjorie was united in marriage to John B. Beltramo Jr. on May 15, 1953, in Virginia. John was a World War II veteran.

John and Marjorie lived in several areas including Sturgeon Township and Hibbing. Marjorie was a life member of the Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary. She was an accomplished seamstress and made much of her own clothing. She was a devoted wife and loving mother. She also was talented at knitting and crocheting, making numerous beautiful afghans. Her other passions were her flower

gardens, sketching and painting, fishing with John, and traveling. Other hobbies included lapidary collecting and making jewelry. Her family fondly recalls that she was a terrific cook and baker.

Marjorie is survived by three sons, Gregory (Sue) Beltramo of Milwaukee, Wis., James Beltramo of Hibbing and Bruce (Misty) Beltramo of Albuquerque, N.M.; three daughters, Sharon (John) Rimolde of Mt. Iron, Marianne (Mark) Redmond of Chisholm and Marlene Beltramo of Duluth; one sister, Florence Gardner of Lombard, Ill., along with numerous grandchildren, greatgrandchildren and extended family.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 53 years, John (Nov. 14, 2006); one son, Lawrence "Larry" (1959); two brothers, Raymond White (2012) and Edwin Impola (1984); and two sisters, Mildred Amacher (2010) and Violet Scavo (1968).



Frank B. Parzyck

Frank Ben Parzyck, 93, of Buyck, passed away on Friday, April 25, 2014, at the Cook Nursing Home. Memorial services will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, May 3 from St. Mary's Catholic Church in Cook. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service at the church. Rev. Fr. Frank Perkovich will be the officiant. A reception in Frank's honor will be held at the Cook VFW after the service. Arrangements are with Mlaker Funeral Home in Cook.

Frank was born on March 21, 1921, at home in Portage Township near Buyck, the son of Adam and Francis (Majewski) Parzyck. Frank was the last survivor of their children. Frank spent most of his life in Buyck. He wanted to be part of the U.S. military along with all his brothers, but was denied because of his handicap. At age 14, he was asked by his parents to take a visiting priest out for a fishing day. That was the beginning of his lifelong career as a fishing guide.

He met Splittstoser, of Dalbo, who worked at Nelson's Resort at Crane Lake and five years later, on Dec. 17, 1966, they were married. As a business he was booked out of Nelson's Resort, fishing the Border Waters and rivers of Crane Lake, Namakan, Rainy Lake and associated areas. He was a licensed pilot and flew his own airplane for personal pleasure. His winters were spent logging firewood, hunting, trapping, repairing equipment and keeping up the homestead.

Frank attended and was a devoted member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church of Buyck his entire life and helped in the construction of the church. Frank will be remembered as a loving husband and father and will be greatly missed by his wife and family. There are many nieces, nephews and friends who will also think of him from time to time, as someone who was special to them.

Frank is survived by his wife of 47 years, Irma; one daughter, Wendy (Frank) Savage of Buyck; one sister-in-law, Rene Parzyck of Minnetonka; and many nieces, nephews and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his brothers, Theophil, Constantine, Steve, Stanley, Ben and Raymond in childhood; his sisters, Bernice Hathaway, Ann Stanchfield and two stillborn baby girls.



Frank J. Franson

Frank John Franson Jr., 81, of Lake Vermilion-Tower, died on Thursday, April 24,2014, in his home. A memorial service was held on Monday, April 28 in Bauman's Vermilion Funeral Home in Tower, with a gathering time for family and friends beforehand. Inurnment will take place at a later date. Family services were provided by Bauman-Vermilion, a Bauman Family Funeral Home in Tower.

He was born on Dec. 20, 1932, in the Soudan Hospital, the son of Frank J. and Edith (Anderson) Franson Sr. Frank graduated from Tower High School in 1950. During his school years, he worked for Grandview Resort. After graduation, Frank worked for a couple of years to pay his college tuition, and graduated from UMD with a degree in Geology. During his college years, Frank worked as a ski pro at Lookout Mountain and Giants Ridge. Upon his college graduation, Frank worked in Dallas, Texas, for the company now known as Texas Instruments. He was offered a job overseas, but wanted to return to Minnesota.

Frank went back to school at Moorhead State where he earned his teaching degree in Physics. Chemistry, and Advanced Math & Science. He taught in Kennedy, Moose Lake and Cotton prior to returning to the Tower-Soudan School District where he taught for 30 years. During his teaching career, Frank spent many summers building numerous homes and cabins on Lake Vermilion. In 1974, he married Jeanne Gilbert and became a wonderful stepfather to Greg, Barb and Brian.

After retiring, he loved doing woodwork and was an avid wildlife carver. Frank also carved and created many historical landmarks of the Tower-Soudan area, which he donated to the Tower Historical Society. Later in life, Frank enjoyed sharing life stories of the Days Gone By in the Tower-Soudan and Lake Vermilion area. These stories have been published in the local newspapers. Frank loved camping in the Boundary Waters and picking blueberries and cranberries. He also loved hunting at the shack and fishing.

Frank is survived by his wife, Jeanne; children, Greg (Jenny) Gilbert of Warroad, Barb (John) Schultz of Grand Rapids and Brian Gilbert of Virginia; grandchildren, Amanda, Dylan and Cody; great-granddaughter, Jordyn; sister, Evelyn Cashman; and nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Janet Chaltas; and grandson, Nathan Gilbert.



Mary J. Sears

Mary Jean (Soules) Sears, 83, of Lake Mills, Wis., formerly of Naperville, Ill., passed away on Wednesday, April 23, 2014, at Fort Atkinson Memorial Hospital in Wisconsin. A private family memorial service is being planned for a later date. "Keep us in your thoughts and prayers." Sign the guest book at www.claussenfuneralhome.com.

Mary was born on Jan. 29, 1931, in La Crosse, Wis., the daughter of the late William and Fern (Henricks) Soules. She was a 1948 graduate of Steven Decatur High School in Decatur, Ill., and later graduated from Millikin University in Decatur with a degree in education. Mary married William "Bill" Sears at Westminster Presbyterian Church on June 21, 1951, in Decatur.

Mary dedicated her life to her family. She was a second-grade teacher for 24 years, mostly at the Beebe Elementary School in Naperville, before retiring and moving to Lake Mills in 2000. She was a Girl Scout leader with her three daughters. Mary loved getting together with her family and time spent at their summer lake home in Northern Minnesota.

Mary is survived by her husband, William "Bill"; daughters, Jeanne (Becky Burns) Sears of Madison, Wis., and Janne (Don) Sears-Oldham of Alta Loma, Calif.; grandchildren, Stephen (Lindsay) Nykamp, Christopher Nykamp and Courtney Burns; brotherin-law, Michael Poulos of Decatur, Ill.: one niece and two nephews.

She was preceded in death by her youngest daughter, Jill (Sears) O'Donnell; and sister, Ruth Ann Poulos.

Robert Dickson

"Bob" Robert Dickson, 81, of Cook, died on Feb. 17, 2014, at Carefree Living in Cook. Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. on Friday, May 2 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Cook, where the

family will receive friends one hour prior to the service. Rev. Bruce Hannem will be the officiant. Cynthia Hannem will be the soloist and Norma Thomas the organist. The honorary bearers will be Sue and Irv Gustafson, Tom Gustafson, Danny Brinker, Ray Anderson, Christine Verant and Dennis Dickson. Military honors will be accorded by the combined Honor Guards of the Cook Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1757 and the Orr American Legion Post 480. Areception in Bob's honor will follow in the church social hall immediately after the service. Burial will be in the Celina Cemetery. Funeral arrangements are with Mlaker Funeral Home in Cook.

He is survived by three children, Cindy Towe of Hastings, Lorie Johnson of Las Vegas, Nev., and Roger Dickson of Chisholm; one sister, Vida Anderson of Cook; three grandchildren, Jeremy, Butch and Lacey; along with numerous nieces, nephews and many friends.

Joseph M. Kovall Jr.

Joseph Mathew Kovall Jr., 86, of Babbitt, died on Monday, April 21, 2014, at Carefree Living. Private services and burial will be held on Friday, May 9 at the Ely Cemetery. Arrangements are with Landmark Funeral Home of Virginia.

He is survived by his loving wife, Muriel; daughters, Ramona (Ron) Jokela and Dianne (Harold) Breffle; grandchildren, Justin (Ryan), Mathew (Tara), Kyle (Jessica) and Celeste (Zac); and greatgrandson, Hayden.

Brad K. Baird

Brad Keith Baird, 49, of Embarrass, long-time resident of Wright County, died on Tuesday, April 15, 2014. Memorial services are to be determined

He is survived by his

wife, Loni Baird; mother, Brenda Williams; stepmother, Janice Baird: mother-in-law, Reva Tyssedal; brothers, Scott, Cory and Eric Baird, and Glen Allen; sister, Brenda Bassett; brothers-in-law, Scott (Cris) Tyssedal and Jeff Tyssedal; two stepsons, Tyler Tyssedal and Brandon Schmidt; son, Casey Baird; and numerous other relatives.

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