

Obituaries

Aquilla Barrow, decorated veteran of World War II

Former Fulton resident Aquilla Barrow, 86, of Winthrop Street, Torrington, Conn., died Friday, June 27, at his home.

Mr. Barrow was born in Milford, Ohio, and was a retired plant auditor for Nestle, where he worked 43 years.

He was an Army veteran of World War II, a reserve officer who was called to active duty in 1942. He served in the Pacific theater for two and one-half years. He was awarded three battle stars and a Bronze Star and was discharged in 1945.

He served one term as president of the Fulton Chamber of Commerce, eight years as a justice of the peace in Granby and 12 years as town council member in Granby. He was a Community Fund chairman, a trustee and treasurer of Mount Adnah Cemetery and served on the Oswego Solid Waste Refuse Disposal District.

Mr. Barrow also was past president and a Paul Harris Fellow of the Fulton Rotary Clubs. He was a charter member and past president of Planning Executive Institute of Central New York, and a YMCA board member.

He served 10 years as a board member of A. L. Lee Memorial Hospital and was financial advisor to the hospital auxiliary.

Mr. Barrow also was treasurer of the local Red Cross Chapter from 1980 to 1991 and a member of O.O.O. Home Management Group. He served four terms as elder of First Presbyterian Church of Fulton, served on the board of trustees and 20 years as financial secretary and treasurer. He was a member of the Fulton Historical Society.

He was a graduate of Syracuse University's School of Business Administration.

Surviving are his wife, the former Margaret Hupe; a daughter, Debby Pokrinchak of Torrington; and two grandchildren.

Services are 10 a.m. Saturday, July 12, in First United Church of Fulton. Burial is private.

Nutting-Rowe Funeral Home, Torrington, has arrangements.

Contributions may be made to the First United Church of Fulton Memorial Fund, 33 S. 3rd St., Fulton 13069.



Angelina Patane Fichera, retired from American Woolen Mill

Angelina Patane Fichera, 96, of 100 Rochester St., Fulton, died Sunday, June 29, at St. Luke's Health Rehabilitation Center in Oswego.

She was born in Italy and lived in Fulton most of her life.

Mrs. Fichera was retired from the American Woolen Mill in Fulton.

She was a member of Holy Family Church, Holy Family Altar Rosary, Holy Family Golden Agers, and Holy Family Wednesday Morning Bible Study.

Surviving is a son, Dr. Sam Fichera of Oswego; two daughters, Josephine Francesconi and Mary Castiglia, both of Fulton; a sister, Sadie Sinicropi of Seneca Falls; six grandchildren; three great-grandchildren, and nieces and nephews.

Services were held Wednesday, July 2, at the Sugar Funeral Home, Fulton and in Holy Family Church. Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery, Fulton.

Alice M. Brown, worked as a private registered nurse

Alice M. Brown, 91, formerly of 215 W. Fifth St., Oswego, died Sunday, June 29, at St. Luke's Health Care Facility.

Born in Oswego, she was a life resident of the area.

Miss Brown graduated from St. John's School, Oswego High School, and the Auburn School of Nursing.

She worked as a private registered nurse and for the Oswego city registrar.

Miss Brown was a member of St. John's Church and its Altar and Rosary Society.

Surviving are several nieces and nephews.

Services were held Wednesday, July 2, in St. John's Church. Burial was in St. Peter's Cemetery.

Dowdle Funeral Home has arrangements.

James G. VanHorn, Oswego native resided in Manhattan

James Gilbert VanHorn, 57, formerly of Oswego, died Monday, June 21, at Columbia Presbyterian Hospital, New York City, after a brief illness.

Mr. VanHorn was born in Oswego and lived in the Manhattan area most of his life.

Surviving are two sons, Larry of New Haven and Michael of New York City; three daughters, Norma VanHorn of New Jersey, and Elizabeth VanHorn and Amy VanHorn, both of New York City; three brothers, Sam of Oswego, Charles of Kansas and Robert of White Plains; three sisters, Mary Storr of Hannibal, Beatrice Lovejoy of Volney, and Jean Martin of Scriba; and several grandchildren, aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews.

Services were in New York City. Burial was in Fairlawn Cemetery, New Jersey.

Young & Son Funeral Service, Fulton, had local arrangements.

Dora A. Wells, machine operator at Sealright

Dora A. Wells, 82, of 265 West First Street, Fulton, Mill Apartments, Fulton, died Saturday, June 28, at Oswego Hospital, Oswego, following a brief illness.

A native of Williamstown, she had resided in Fulton since 1931. She was employed as a machine operator from 1932 to 1948 at Sealright Company in Fulton.

Mrs. Wells was a member of the First Baptist Church in Fulton. She was a member of the Fulton Senior Citizens, Senior Chorus, the Granby Hillbillie Band, and the Women of The Moose, Chapter No. 1390 in Fulton.

Surviving are: a daughter, Beverly W. Deacons Owens of Clearfield, Pa.; three brothers, Francis A. Tilton, Dale Tilton, and Newton Tilton all of Florida; five sisters, Sarah Tilton of Vermont, Leta Horning, Bertha Weaver, Neva Towne, and Joyce Horning all of Parish; two grandchildren; two great grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

Services were held Tuesday, July 1, at Foster Funeral Home, Fulton. Reverend Allen R. Wollenberg officiated. Burial was at Pleasant Lawn Cemetery, Parish.

Joseph Bonanno, member of Holy Family Church

Joseph Bonanno, 84, of 413 W. Third St., Fulton, died Wednesday, June 25 in Andrew Michaud Nursing Home after a short illness.

He was born in New York City and had been a resident of Fulton for most of his life.

Mr. Bonanno was a retired carpenter and a member of the Carpenters Local No. 747. He was a member of Holy Family Church, Fulton, and he was an avid gardener.

Mr. Bonanno was predeceased by one brother, Salvatore Bonanno, in 1989.

He is survived by his wife of 61 years, Ida Bonanno of Fulton; his son, Sam Bonanno of Fulton; his daughter, Mary Ann Nichol of North Syracuse; one brother, Vincent Bonanno of Fulton; two grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Monday, June 30, from Sugar Funeral Home, Inc., and in Holy Family Church, Fulton, where a Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated.

Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery, Fulton.

Mary R. Boardway, employed as a nursing aide

Mary R. Boardway, formerly of 119 W. Oneida St., Oswego, died Friday, June 27, in St. Luke Health Related Facility.

Her husband, Howard J. Boardway, died in May 1962.

Born in Oswego, she was the daughter of the late Anthony and Stella Cydrych Rogala. She graduated from local schools and had been a life resident. She was a nursing aide and did private duty work for many years. She was active in various church organizations.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Maryanne Reynolds of Oswego; four grandchildren, Donna Jean Reynolds and Jeffrey, Kevin, and Gregory Reynolds of Oswego; two sisters, Josephine Slosek and Frances Saleski, both of Oswego; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Monday, June 30, in the Nelson Funeral Home, 124 W. Fifth St., and in St. Stephen's Church.

Burial was in St. Peter's Cemetery.

Contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society in lieu of flowers.

Theresa Ann Hibbs, born in Fulton, lived in Indiana

Theresa Ann Hibbs, 64, of 17th Street, Columbus, Ind., died Tuesday, June 24, at her home.

Mrs. Hibbs was born in Fulton, Sept. 30, 1932, the daughter of Herbert and Evelyn Kesterke Borrow. She married John Lee Hibbs Aug. 18, 1953. He died June 14, 1972.

Survivors include sons, Eddie E. and John Lee Hibbs, both of North Vernon, and Keith Wayne Hibbs of Seymour; a daughter, Theresa Leanne Hibbs Zolton of Columbus; sisters, Rosemary McGregor of Mexico, and Helen Hendricks of Hannibal; brothers, Robert, Thomas, Roy, Roger, and Charles Borrow, all of Fulton; seven grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by a son, James Leon Hibbs.

Funeral services were conducted Friday, June 27, at Myers Funeral Service, Reed and Jewell Chapel with the Rev. Mark A. West officiating. Burial was at Garland Brook Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Bartholomew County.

Message to our readers

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