

**MYRTLE FARIA**

Myrtle B. (Gravitt) Faria, 59, of 17 Charles St., wife of Joseph F. Faria, died Thursday morning at her home following a long illness.

She had lived in Taunton for most of her life and was a member of the Winthrop Street Baptist Church.

Born in Greenville, S.C., she was the daughter of Kathleen (Painter) Gravitt Bagwell of Taunton and the late Elmar Carl Gravitt.

In addition to her husband and mother, she leaves three sons, Rev. Daniel Gravitt of Rockhill, S.C., Joseph Brian Faria of Pawtucket, R.I., and Michael Anthony Faria of New Bedford; three daughters, Mrs. John E. (Kathleen Frances) Correia and Mrs. Theresa Lee Ferris, both of Taunton, and Mrs. Joseph (Francine Ann) Gouveia of Virginia; 15 grandchildren; several cousins; and three aunts in South Carolina.

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**MARY JANE SILVA**

Mary Jane (McCarthy) Silva of 30 Olney St. died Sunday at the home of her son in Gardena, Calif., following a short illness. Widow of Thomas K. Silva, she was 72.

She was an attendant at Dever State School for 17 years until her retirement in 1973.

A resident of Taunton for the past 30 years, she was a member of the Westside Senior Citizens, the Fitzsimmons Arms Association, and the Silver City Senior Citizens.

She was also active in Mayor's Worthy Cause functions, and was the first woman elected to the Commission on Taunton Housing, serving on that panel until her illness.

She attended St. Joseph's Church.

Daughter of the late Thomas H. and Mary E. (Owens) McCarthy, she was born in Providence, R.I. and educated in Taunton schools.

Survivors include three sons, James E. Silva of Norton, Thomas R. Silva of Gardena, Calif., and Joseph F. Silva of Bakersfield, Calif.; a daughter, Mrs. R.L. Jasper (Joan M.) Duncan of Taunton; two brothers, Thomas E. McCarthy of Taunton and Christopher O. McCarthy of Lakeville; two sisters, Mrs. Kathleen C. McCabe of Taunton and Mrs. John (Rita) Creamer of Warwick, R.I.; 14 grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and several nephews and nieces.

**JOSEPH FURTADO**

Joseph Dias Furtado, 85, of 12 Lanes Ave. died at Morton Hospital this morning after a short illness. He was the husband of the late Laurentina (Medeiros) Furtado.

A Taunton resident for the past 65 years, he was employed at the Defiance Bleachery in Norton until his retirement 20 years ago.

He was a communicant at St. Anthony's Church.

Born in St. Michael, Azores, he was the son of the late Francisco and Rosa (Cunha) Furtado.

He leaves one son, Edward J. Furtado of Raynham; two sisters, Mrs. John (Alicine) Fernandes of Taunton and Mary Furtado of Middleboro; and one granddaughter, Sarah Furtado of Raynham.

**ELLEN REBELLO**

Ellen "Martha" (Hathaway) Rebello of 95 West Britannia St. died Monday at her home, following a long illness. Widow of Manuel Rebello, she was 61.

She had worked for many years as a mental retardation assistant at Dever State School until her retirement last March, due to illness.

She was a communicant of Immaculate Conception Church.

A native and lifelong resident of Taunton, she was the daughter of the late Henry and Rachel May (Spearing) Hathaway.

Survivors include two sons, James D. Rebello and Stephen M. Rebello, both of Taunton; a daughter, Mrs. James (Ellen) Eiland of Staunton, Va.; a brother, Harold Hathaway of West Bridgewater; two sisters, Mrs. Ethel M. Wilbur and Mrs. Arthur (Blanche) Pouliot, both of Taunton; and two grandchildren, Jennifer L. Walker and Renee E. Walker, both of Staunton, Va.

**LAURA DUTRA**

Laura (Mattos) Dutra, 76, of 222 Muddy Cove Lane, Dighton, died suddenly yesterday in Morton Hospital.

She was the widow of Seth Dutra.

A lifelong resident of Dighton, she was the daughter of the late Joseph and Anna (Gomes) Mattos.

She was a communicant of St. Peter's Church.

She leaves two sisters, Mrs. Frank (Mary) Souto of Dighton, and Mrs. Manuel (Anna) Miguel of Somerset; and one niece.

**JAMES McNULTY**

James McNulty of Brockton, formerly of Taunton and Raynham, died yesterday at home. He was the husband of the late Barbara S. (Marshall) McNulty.

Born in New Bedford, he was the son of the late Joseph and Clara (Gonsalves) McNulty. A graduate of Taunton High School, he was a World War Two veteran who fought at Iwo Jima and Okinawa.

He was employed at the Bethlehem Steel company of Quincy for several years before retiring in 1980.

He is survived by one son, Kenneth O. McNulty of California; three daughters, Sandra Stevens and Clara McNulty of Taunton, and Mary Jane DeMars of Brockton; one stepson, Joseph Sherman III of Brockton; three stepdaughters, Susan Covell of East Bridgewater, Louise Briggs of North Easton, and Sarah Poirier of Brockton; one brother, Leslie McNulty of Texas; six grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

**ELIZABETH BERG**

Elizabeth Burns Berg, 79, of 443 Richmond St., East Taunton, died Monday at St. John's Hospital in Lowell, after a lengthy illness. She was the widow of Joseph Arthur Berg.

A housewife all of her life, she attended Holy Family Church in East Taunton.

She was born in Boston, daughter of the late Robert J. and Lavinia (Viera) Burns.

Survivors include four sons, Robert Berg, Richard Berg, Kenneth Berg, and Arthur Berg; six daughters, Elizabeth Berg Gates, Marian Berg Graham, Ruthanne Berg Tanner, Donna Berg Hizny, Carolyn Berg Awalt, and Geraldine Berg Teixeira; one brother, Robert Burns; 47 grandchildren; 30 great-grandchildren; and several nephews and nieces.

She was the mother of the late Joseph Arthur Berg, Jr., and the sister of the late Frank Joaquin.