

#### MARY ALMEIDA

Mary P. (Baptista) Almeida, 80, of R55 Plain St. died Saturday at New England Deaconess Hospital in Boston, following a long illness. She was the widow of John S. Almeida.

A lifelong Taunton resident, she worked for many years as an inspector for the Armor Bronze Company, until her retirement 18 years ago.

She was a communicant of Our Lady of Lourdes Church.

She was a member of the East Side Senior Citizens, a member and past president of the Eagles' Auxiliary, a member of the Massachusetts State

Guard Auxiliary, and a member and past Provincial Grand Lady of the IOOFMU.

Daughter of the late Manuel and Frances (Serpa) Baptista, she was born in Taunton and educated in Taunton schools.

Survivors include a son, John ("Sonny") Almeida of Taunton; two daughters, Mrs. Joseph (Jennie) Gomes and Mrs. Irene Amaral, both of Taunton; three brothers, Manuel Baptista of Justin Beach, Fla., and John Baptiste and Joseph Baptiste, both of Taunton; two grandchildren; and several nephews and nieces.

## Ex-Norton selectman dies

BOSTON — Lester R. A. Gray, 59, of 17 North Worcester St., Norton, a Norton Selectman and a member of the Norton Finance Committee for several years, died Wednesday at the Beth Israel Hospital following a long illness. He was the husband of Beverly "Jane" (Dias) Gray.

Born in East Providence, R.I., he was a son of the late Lester R. A. and Elizabeth (Flaherty) Gray. He had been a Norton resident for the past 31 years and was a member of the Chartley United Methodist Church.

He graduated from the Dighton High School, Class of 1945, and attended Johnson and Wales College in Providence and Bryant College in Rhode Island.

He was a construction superintendent for the Walsh Construction Corp. of Attleboro for over 20 years.

During World War Two, he served with the United States Coast Guard and during the Korean War with the U.S. Navy. He was a member of the VFW Post 8049 of Norton.

He had served as a member of the Finance Committee for the town of Norton from 1959-1962 and from 1966-1968, and had served as a selectmen from 1962-1965.

In addition to his wife, he leaves two sons, Lester R.A. Gray 3d, and Steven J. Gray; two sisters, Marjorie Kane and Muriel Quint, both of Rehoboth; three grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

#### MANUEL M. SILVIA

Manuel M. Silvia, 73, husband of Mary (Gouveia) Silvia of 8-Clarendon St., died suddenly yesterday morning at his home.

Born in North Dighton, son of the late Antone M. and Theresa (Silva) Silvia, he moved to Taunton as a youngster and was employed for many years as a carpenter until his retirement 10 years ago. He was a communicant of Our Lady of Lourdes Church.

He is survived by four sons, Danied L. of Middleboro, James and David M., both of Taunton and Raymond J. of Mashpee; four daughters, Mrs. George (Gloria) Martin of Miami, Fla. and Theresa Ann Silvia, Mrs. James (Margaret) Menice and Mrs. Louis (Evelyn) Demers, all of Taunton and one sister, Mrs. William (Theresa) Silva of Providence.

He also leaves 23 grandchildren, four great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

#### MARY GONSALVES

Mary (Gaudio) Gonsalves, 89, of 907 Center St., North Dighton, died yesterday at Morton Hospital after a long illness.

She was the wife of the late Manuel Gonsalves.

Born in St. Michael, Azores, she was the daughter of the late Alexandre and Maria Estrella Gaudio.

She lived in Fall River and Taunton before moving to North Dighton where she spent the last eight years.

She was a retired spinner and a communicant of St. John of God Church in Somerset.

She is survived by two sons, Joseph Gonsalves of Fall River and Manuel Gonsalves of Somerset; five daughters, Mrs. Agnes Mortach of Cleveland, Mary Greeson, Valdemira Greeson, and Irene Torres, all of Fall River, and Lucy Tulippe of Raynham; 17 grandchildren, 32 great grandchildren, and two great great grandchildren.

#### MANUEL GONSALVES

Manuel Gonsalves, 66, of 122 Washington St., died Saturday at Morton Hospital after a short illness. He was the husband of Virginia T. (Fantacone) Gonsalves.

Born in Taunton, he was the son of the late Maurice and Maria (Ferreira) Gonsalves. He worked for Central Radio for 51 years, starting when he was 15 years old.

At the age of 17, he graduated from the National Radio Institute in Providence, R.I. At the time of his retirement last Oct. 15 on his birthday, Gonsalves was service manager for Central Radio.

A World War II Army veteran, he was also a member of the American Legion Post 405 in Raynham.

He was a communicant of St. Mary's Church.

Besides his wife, he leaves one son, Ronald M. Gonsalves of Taunton; one daughter, Mrs. Edward M. (Joyce M.) Rebello of Taunton; four sisters, Mrs. Mary Thetonia of East Providence, R.I., Mrs. Francis (Frances) Roche of Taunton, Mrs. Alfred (Emma) White of Taunton, and Mrs. Everett (Rose) Netto of Taunton; and four grandchildren.

#### MARY E. GOULART

Mary E. Goulart, 91, of 210 Muddy Cove Lane, Dighton, died this morning in East Providence following a long illness.

She was the widow of Manuel R. Goulart. Born in Dighton, she was a daughter of the late Manuel S. and Maria (Rodrick) Gracia and was educated in Dighton schools. She was a communicant of St. Peter's Church in Dighton.

She is survived by four sons, Edward F. of Fort Lauderdale, Fla. and George L., Joseph A. and John A., all of Dighton; three daughters, Mrs. Mary Keating of North Dighton, Mrs. Francis (Margaret) Souza of Fall River and Mrs. Helen L. Costa of North Dighton.

She also leaves two brothers, Frank of Dighton and Joseph of Fall River; 13 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

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