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Obituaries

Jane Metcalf, 97

FAIRHAVEN — Private funeral services were held this morning for Jane (Marsland) Metcalf, 97, of Our Lady's Haven, who died there on Tuesday after a long illness. She was the widow of Joseph Metcalf.

She was born in Lancashire, England, and resided most of her life in Fairhaven. She was employed by local textile mills until retiring.

Mrs. Metcalf was the daughter of the late Thomas and Catherine (Bilington) Marsland.

Surviving are seven grandchildren.

Arrangements are by the Perry Funeral Home, 111 Dartmouth St., New Bedford.

Evelyn DeSisto

NEW BEDFORD — Evelyn (Monaghan) DeSisto, 76, of 1057 Beverly St. died yesterday after a long illness. She was the widow of Anthony DeSisto and the daughter of the late John and Julia (Matthews) Monaghan.

She died at St. Luke's Hospital.

She was born in County Louth, Ireland, and lived in New Bedford for 28 years. She was a communicant of Holy Name Church.

Survivors include a son, Daniel of Bridgewater; two daughters, Katherine "Lil" Burt and Lorraine Murphy, both of New Bedford; 14 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Arrangements are by the Saunders Funeral Home, 495 Park St.

James G. Pierce

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — James G. Pierce, 57, of 224 42nd Ave., Northeast, died yesterday at his home unexpectedly. He was the husband of Edna May (Denzler) Pierce.

He was born in New Bedford and moved to Florida in 1956 from Fairhaven. He was a limousine driver for the Airport Limousine Connection.

Mr. Pierce served with the Army during World War II. He was a member of the American Legion Post No. 14 of St. Petersburg.

Survivors include his widow; two sons, Donald E. of St. Petersburg and Richard G. of Canyon, Texas; and five grandchildren.

Arrangements are by the Gee & Pitts Funeral Home, 3180 30th Ave., North, St. Petersburg.

Joseph A. Mendez

NEW BEDFORD — Joseph A. "Jumping Joe" Mendez, 58, of 101 Easton St. died yesterday after a brief illness. He was the husband of Annie M. (McCree) Mendez.

He died at St. Luke's Hospital.

He was born in New Bedford and lived here most of his life. He was a member of Douglass Memorial A.M.E. Zion Church, and was a security officer at Polaroid Corp. for 13 years.

Mr. Mendez was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Andrews-Dahill Post No. 1531 and the William H. Carney Lodge of Elks.

He was a World War II Army veteran and served in Northern France.

Survivors include his widow; two daughters, Marilyn N. Wood of Dorchester and Joanne A. Wills of New Bedford; a stepdaughter, Betty Ann McCree of Stamford, Conn.; a sister, Luci R. Lima of New Bedford; and six grandchildren.

Arrangements are by the Saunders Funeral Home, 495 Park St.

Elizabeth A. Lees

WESTPORT — Elizabeth A. (Bowers) Lees, 73, of 378-Horseneck Road, died yesterday after a long illness.

She died at Charlton Memorial Hospital in Fall River.

She was born in Fall River and lived in Westport more than 60 years. She was a communicant of St. John the Baptist Church. She was the owner and operator of Lees Wharf in Westport until retiring in 1969.

Mrs. Lees was the daughter of the late Josiah A. and Elizabeth A. (Cummings) Bowers. She was a member of the Ladies Guild of her parish. She was a member of the Westport Woman's Club, the Westport Grange 181 and a 50-year member of the American Legion Auxiliary of Westport and the Noquochoke Senior Citizens.

Survivors include three sons, Albert E. Jr., Carlton A., and Robert J., all of Westport; two brothers, Arthur M. of Westport and Josiah A. of Glendale, Calif.; a sister, Irene Bedard of Westport; and seven grandchildren.

Arrangements are by the Potter Funeral Home, 81 Reed Road, Westport.