

OBITUARIES

Gordon Reid

Gordon Bennett Reid, 94, of Dafter died Saturday, August 2, 2008, at Tendercare in Sault Ste. Marie.

He was born July 24, 1914, in Dafter to Arthur Gordon and Fern (nee Kelly) Reid.

Mr. Reid lived most of his life in Dafter, where he was a farmer. He owned and operated Lake Superior Beef Company. Mr. Reid supported the local 4-H program and was a 4-H livestock buyer. After he retired, he spent winters in Arizona.

A member of the Faith Baptist Church in Dafter, Mr. Reid also belonged to the Moose Lodge in Sault Ste. Marie. He was a 60-year member of the Bethel Masonic Lodge 358 and a 32nd Degree Scottish Rite Mason. He belonged to the Ahmed Shriners of Marquette.

Fond of dancing, he enjoyed square dancing in particular. He also called square dances and had a collection of fiddles.

Mr. Reid enjoyed traveling. He went to Australia and Alaska, among other places.

He is survived by his wife of 12 years, Marjorie; and four sons and their families, Edward and Brenda (nee Benton) Reid of Lansing;



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Arthur and Dorla Reid of Dafter; Gene and Ruth Anne Reid of Fenton, and Karl and Phyllis Reid of North Pole, Alaska. He is survived by 12 grandchildren and their families, Marsha and Jerry Van Sloten of Rudyard, Cleve and Jeannie Reid of Sault Ste. Marie, Leah Reid of Lansing, Carli Reid of Lansing, Arthur B. and Kristin Reid of Sandpoint, Idaho, Jennifer Reid and Matt Strong of Knab, Utah, Crystal and Mark Blackwood of Rudyard, Suni Reid of Burton, Sherie Reid of Welch, West Virginia, Gary and Shanna

Reid of Burton, Nick Reid of North Pole, and Cory Reid of North Pole; several great-grandchildren and their families, Kevin and Lindsey Van Sloten, Josh and Allison Reid, Kenny and Rebecca Reid, Aurora and Max Blackwood, Destiny Reid, and Jack Flowers; one sister, Fern Reid Millar of Lake Orion; two sisters-in-law, Elsie Newton of Traverse City, and Ruth Cope of Clarkston; nieces and nephews Wayne and Jane Smith, Marjean and Dean Roe, Kevin and Lori Smith, Carol Powell, Kay and Bill Kernick, Bruce and Dana Millar, Linda and Rich Pawlowski, and Art and Carolyn Atkinson. He is survived by stepchildren and their families Dr. John and Grace Glick of Finland, Minnesota, Lynn and Steve Wolden of Redlands, California, and Laurel and Rod Stenke of Mt. Lake, Minnesota.

Mr. Reid was preceded in death by his first wife, Martha Pfeifer Reid, who died in 1982; two sisters and their husbands, Martha and John Smith, and Doris and Charlie Atkinson; a brother-in-law, William Millar, and nephews Gary Smith and Jimmy Atkinson.

Visitation will be Wednesday, August 6, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. with a Masonic memorial service at 8 p.m. at Reamer Galer Funeral Home in Pickford. Visitation will be Thursday, August 7, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the funeral home. Services will be at 1 p.m. Thursday, August 7, at the funeral home, with the Reverend Ray Wolfe conducting.

Burial will be at Oaklawn Chapel Gardens in Bruce Township. Memorials may be directed to the Hospice of Chippewa County, 508 Ashmun Street, Suite 120, Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783, or to another charity of choice.

Patricia Haskell

Patricia Ann Haskell, 83, of Kincheloe died, Tuesday, July 29, 2008, at Northern Michigan Regional Hospital in Petoskey.

She was born December 23, 1924, in Ann Arbor to Adolph Ellory and Ruth (nee Allmendinger) Schmidt.

Mrs. Haskell grew up in Ann Arbor, reared her children there, and worked for 21 years as an editor for University Microfilm International. She married David Daniel Haskell December 7, 1971 at the United Church of Christ in Ann Arbor.

In 1988, she and Mr. Haskell moved to Kincheloe, near his job, and she became an active volunteer in the township and for Red Cross blood drives. She also contributed to the Community Voice newspaper.

Mrs. Haskell enjoyed stained glass art, photography, writing, golfing, gardening, and traveling.



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She was an avid University of Michigan fan and enjoyed both sports and music.

Her family said she was adventurous and would try anything, including a trip to the top of one of

the towers of the Mackinac Bridge when she was in her 70s.

Mrs. Haskell is survived by her husband; three daughters, Maxine Louise Gardner Wiggins of Chelsea, Rosalyn E. Teachworth of Old Lyme, Connecticut, and Stephanie Murray of Arden, North Carolina; one son and his family, Gregory and Susan Gardner of Pinckney; seven grandchildren, and five great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by five sisters, Eleanor Dorstewitz, Margaret Carniege, Alice Copley, Leta Ristine, and her twin, Mary Isaacson.

Services were at 1 p.m. Friday, August 1, at Reamer Galer Funeral Home in Pickford with visitation preceding at 11 a.m.

Memorials may be directed to the American Heart Association, 3816 Paysphere Circle, Chicago, IL 60674.

Evelyn Prokop

Evelyn Prokop, 97, a longtime resident of St. Ignace, died Saturday, July 26, 2008, in Anchorage, Alaska, where she had lived for the past 12 years.

Mrs. Prokop was born in 1911 to Herman and Ellen Pischner of Beaver Island.

In 1936, she married Dale Prokop on Beaver Island. He passed away in 1981.

Mrs. Prokop was a member of the St. Anne's Alter Society at St. Ignatius Loyola Catholic Church. A literary enthusiast, she served as the St. Ignace librarian for several years. She was an avid knitter and enjoyed working in her yard and spending time with family and

friends.

She is survived by three daughters, Sandra Accomero of Hemet, California, and Plaza, North Dakota, Deanna Corp of Anchorage, and Helen Utter of Anchorage; five grandchildren, Michael Accomero of Woodbridge, Virginia, Nicholas Accomero of Mill Creek, Washington, Tonya Cartwright of Whidbey Island, Washington, Heather Utter of Albuquerque, New Mexico, and Brien Utter of Seattle, and nine great-grandchildren.

A graveside service will be held in July 2009 at the St. Ignatius Loyola Catholic Cemetery in St. Ignace, where she will be buried next to her husband.



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Germaine Fitnich

Germaine M. Fitnich, 80, of St. Ignace, died Thursday, July 31, 2008, at Mackinac Straits Hospital Long Term Care in St. Ignace, following a two-year illness of cancer.

She was born in Detroit Nov-

ember 29, 1927, to Arthur and Leona (nee Dusong) Renotte.

She and her family came to St. Ignace in 1962, where they owned and operated the former Star Lite Motel until its sale around 1977.

Mrs. Fitnich then worked for

Sewn Products for several years, later working in housekeeping and laundry at Dettman's Motel, which became Harbour Pointe Resort, before retiring at age 72.

An avid reader and animal lover, she also enjoyed crocheting, board games, and playing volleyball in the former St. Ignace women's league, as well as visiting the casino, especially on Thursdays.

Mrs. Fitnich is survived by a son and his family, David and Heather Fitnich of Henderson, Nevada, two daughters, Linda Clements and Carmen Briolat, both of St. Ignace, and two grandchildren and their families, Jason and Trisha Fitnich of Charlotte, and Rebecca and Scot Morrison of Ann Arbor. She is also survived by former daughters-in-law Dawn Akers of St. Ignace and Debbie Wiley of Howell.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a brother, George, and a sister, Elizabeth.

A memorial service will be held later, with the date to be announced in *The St. Ignace News*.

Dodson Funeral Home of St. Ignace assisted the family with arrangements.

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