

JANEY B. DANCER
WHITEFIELD—Janey Britton Dancer, 58, of Whitefield, passed away at her home December 21, 2011, following a courageous battle with cancer. She was born in Gardiner on February 23, 1953, a daughter of John L. and Hellen Brawn Dancer.

Janey was employed most recently at the MaineGeneral Medical Center, and she was self-employed as a medical transcriptionist. She owned her own fabric store in Gardiner during the 1980s.

Janey was a graduate of Erskine Academy and received an associate degree from Augusta Business College. She enjoyed needlework and was an accomplished seamstress.

She was predeceased by her father in 1990.

She is survived by her mother, Hellen Brawn Dancer, of Whitefield; her brother, the Rev. John C. Dancer and his wife Donna, of South Somerville; her sister, Lois Bourque, and her husband, Stephen, of Whitefield; and her beloved nieces and nephews, Susan Batty, and her husband, William, of Spruce Head, and their children Julia, Nathaniel and Matthew, Elizabeth Heath and her husband, Joe, of Whitefield, and their children Reanna and Blake, Hellen Ford and her husband, Frank, of Windsor, and their son, Gavin, Jonathan Dancer and his wife, Dawn, of Somerville, and their children, Grace and Hannah, Joshua Dancer, of South Somerville, and George Bourque, of Randolph; two aunts, Louise Dancer, of Whitefield, and Melvina Thompson, of East Corinth; and several cousins.

Donations in her memory may be made to the music program at South Somerville Baptist Church.

GERALD E. SPENCER
BENTON—Gerald Edward Spencer, 90, died December 24, 2011, at a Waterville health care center. He was born February 23, 1921, in Benton, a son of Edward and Ella (Gerald) Spencer.

Gerald was a self-employed contractor and entrepreneur, having been involved in many business and financial endeavors throughout his life. He was a member of Siloam 92 Masonic Lodge, Augusta Valley Scottish Rite, Lodge Council Chapter, the Korah Shrine and the Benton Grange.

He was predeceased by his wife Ardria "Jo" (Nash), in 2010.

He is survived by his godson, Douglas and wife Diane Franklin and their children, Andrew and Zachary, all of Newport; several nieces and nephews.

Memorial donations may be made

to the Shriners Hospital for Children, 51 Blossom Street, Boston MA 02114.

Those who wish may leave written tributes at www.CrosbyNeal.com.

RHODA E. KIBBIN
SOUTH CHINA—Rhoda Elizabeth "Midge" Kibbin, 53, of South China, died December 25, 2011. She was born in Norway on August 3, 1958, the daughter of James E. Henderson Jr. and Adelaide Ruth (Almeida) Henderson.

Midge, as she was called, was employed at the Maine Veterans Home as a cook since 2003 and she attended Cony High School until her junior year. She was a member of the Maine State Employees Association.

She is survived by her husband, Michael P. Kibbin, of South China; and two sons, Michael P. Kibbin Jr. and Stephen A. Kibbin, all of South China; three sisters, Lorraine Henderson, of South China, Barbara Barcelos and her husband, Artille, of Westminister, Massachusetts, and Maryann Snowman, of South China; also three brothers, James E. Henderson III, of Lisbon, John R. Henderson and Cindy Lou Henderson, of Augusta, and Stephen P. Henderson and Sandy Henderson, of Poland; grandson Payton Michael Kibbin, of South China, and many nieces and nephews.

She loved her family and working in her gardens. Her favorite holidays were Halloween and Christmas.

Donations in her memory may be made to Kennebec Valley Humane Society, 10 Pet Haven Lane, Augusta ME 04330.

Condolences may be expressed at www.plummerfh.com.

Arrangements by Plummer Funeral Home, 983 Ridge Road, Windsor.

ONESIME J. COTE JR.
VASSALBORO—Onesime J. "Zim" Cote Jr., 82, of Vassalboro, died Tuesday, December 27, 2011, at MaineGeneral Medical Center, Thayer Campus, after a brief illness. He was born in Waterville, October 24, 1929, the son of Onesime and Stella (Proulx) Cote Sr.

Educated in local schools, Zim served his country as a member of the Navy during the Korean War. He was a member of Corpus Christi Parish, where he was a lector and sang in the choir.

Zim worked for the Morning Sentinel for more than 38 years as a foreman on the press. After his retirement, Zim developed a passion for Beano and became the Beano manager for the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Winslow. He loved the outdoors—hunting, fishing and working in the woods.

He was predeceased, along with his parents, by his wife, Marie; a son,

Michael; a daughter, Melissa; two sisters, Arlene Graham and Jeannette Doucette; and a brother, Francis Cote.

Surviving are a daughter, Michelle Duquette and her husband, Carl, of Augusta; three brothers, Everett Cote, Carl Cote and his wife, Ruth, and Leo Cote, all of Waterville; two sisters, Lucille Giroux, of Winslow and Dorothy Bernier, of Waterville; a special nephew, David Cote, as well as many nieces, nephews and cousins.

ELLSWORTH W. YORK
SOMERVILLE—Ellsworth W. York, 87, of Somerville, died unexpectedly Tuesday, December 27, 2011, at the MaineGeneral Medical Center, in Augusta. He was born June 4, 1924, a son of George and Rena Dillingham York.

For the past seven years he was a resident of the Maine Veterans Home in Augusta. Ellsworth was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II with service in the European-African-Middle Eastern theater. He enjoyed playing bingo and pokeno, listening to music and doing puzzles. He was an animal lover.

He was predeceased by his parents; youngest brother Fred York, of Michigan; sister-in-law Frances York; and his sister, Muriel White.

He is survived by his wife of 21 years, Alice Vannah York, of Windsor; his son, Ellsworth Hanscom, of Somerville; his daughter, Althea Snowman and husband, Arthur, of Windsor; three sisters, Pearl Moody and husband, Fred, of Gardiner, Irene Lovejoy, of Massachusetts, and Marvis Minoty, of Augusta; several grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and cousins.

OTHERS DEPARTED

Janice Orff, of Jefferson, lost her sister, **CRYSTAL B. LaRUE**, 88, of Westbrook, on Saturday, December 24, 2011.

David West, and Gina Henderson and husband A.J. lost their uncle, **GERALD E. SPENCER**, 90, of Benton, on Saturday, December 24,



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2011, at a Waterville health care center.

Sonny Gilman and wife Becky, of Windsor, and Norma Gilman, of Vassalboro, lost their father, **SYLVESTER GILMAN**, 76, of Readfield, on Sunday, December 25, 2011.

Annette Charest, and Doris Brown and husband Jack, all of China, lost their brother, **JOHN H. CHAREST**, 65, of Augusta, on Sunday, December 25, 2011, following a long illness.

Melissa Gagne and husband Mark, of Vassalboro, Erika Kerr, of Winslow, and William Hoel, of Chelsea, all lost their mother, **LAUREL A. HOEL**, 51, of Sidney, on Sunday, December 25, 2011, following a brief illness.

Patrick LeBreck and wife Gayla, of Vassalboro, and Sandra Suttie and husband Gerald, of Fairfield, lost their mother, **MADLINE P. GEORGE**, 86, of Fairfield, on Sunday, December 25, 2011, at Mount St. Joseph Nursing Home, in Waterville.

Craig Klembara, of South China, lost his mother, **JOAN M. KLEMBARA**, 78, of Augusta, on Wednesday, December 28, 2011, at MaineGeneral Rehabilitation and Nursing at Gray Birch, in Augusta.

Karen L. McCarthy, of Windsor, lost her mother, **LOUISE J. WYMAN**, 87, of North Anson, on Thursday, December 29, 2011, at Eastern Maine Medical Center, in Bangor.

FORMER RESIDENTS

WILLIAM L. CARNEY, 96, of

Waterville, died on Tuesday, November 29, 2011, at Oak Grove Center. He attended Erskine Academy, in South China. He is survived by a son, William L. Carney and wife Carlene, of Winslow, and brothers, Calvin Carney and wife Marjorie, and Adelbert Carney and wife Jacqueline, all of South China.

BRUCE W. FIELDS SR., 54, of Starks, died on Wednesday, November 30, 2011, at his home. Bruce grew up in Fairfield Center and attended Fairfield schools. When he was younger, Bruce enjoyed stock car racing at Unity and Wiscasset raceways, and also drag raced at Oxford Plains Speedway.

BRADFORD B. BROWN, DVM, 82, of Peterborough, New Hampshire, died on Friday, December 2, 2011, at Monadnock Community Hospital, following a short illness. He was born in Vassalboro on June 15, 1929, the son of Hazle Crosby and Philip R. Brown. He attended the College of Veterinary Medicine at Cornell University, becoming a veterinarian. He is survived by a daughter, Laura J. Brown, of Vassalboro, and a grandson, Julius Koenig, of Vassalboro.

ERNEST "ERNIE" GILBERT, 65, of Dallas Plantation, died unexpectedly on Saturday, 5, 2012, at his home. Ernie taught physical education at Winslow Junior High School from 1970-1990, and owned and operated Gilly's Gym, in Waterville.

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