

# ACCESSION SHEET

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**A** mfc\_na2431\_c1481\_02

**Name:** Communities of  
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**Interviewer** Adeline "Connie" St. Louis, Yvonne

**Narrator:** Rosalie "Rose" Bosse Flanagan, Flora

**/Depositor:** Ouellette, and Betty Maderos

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**Description:** 2431 Rosalie "Rose" Bosse Flanagan and Flora Bosse, interviewed by Adeline "Connie" St. Louis, Yvonne Ouellette, and Betty Maderos, November 22, 1993, Old Town, Maine. For the "Islands and Bridges" project. The two sisters talk about growing up on French Island in Old Town; family history; emigration from Canada; neighbors; swimming; ball games; food shopping on the Island; ice and milk delivery; parents' work; Great Depression; changes on the Island; vegetable gardens; keeping pigs and chickens; Christmas celebrations; French food; St. Joseph School; speaking French at home and school; buying and making clothes; funeral customs and wakes; bootlegging and homebrew; tobacco use; present-day use of French, and extent to which their children's generation speak French. Restriction expired January 1, 2000.

Text: 34 pp. transcript

Recording: mfc\_na2431\_c1481\_01, mfc\_na2431\_c1481\_02 59 minutes

See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine* (1999); <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>.

**Related Collections** See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine*  
**& Accessions** (1999). <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>

**Restrictions** Restriction expired January 1, 2000. See letter from Jim Bishop in control folder 2766. Also, see individual interviews for release and agreement signed.

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<b>Accession Number:</b> 2759
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**A** mfc\_na2759\_c1482\_02

**Name:** Communities of  
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**Interviewer** Amy Bouchard Morin, Old Town

**Narrator:** Benoit Bouchard

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**Description:** 2759 Benoit Bouchard, interviewed by Amy Bouchard Morin, May 24, 1993, at his home in Old Town, Maine. For the "Islands and Bridges" project. Bouchard talks about family history; emigration from Canada to Old Town; businesses on French Island and work opportunities off the Island; his father's ice cream parlor and confectionery store; Fourth of July celebrations; baseball and other games; growing up with, and recovering from polio paralysis; speaking French at home and English at school; houses on the Island; cutting and storing ice; electricity on the Island; work and recreation on the Penobscot River.

Text: 15 pp. transcript

Recording: mfc\_na2759\_c1482\_01, mfc\_na2759\_c1482\_02 43 minutes

See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine* (1999); <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>.

**Related Collections** See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine*  
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**A** mfc\_na2760\_c1483\_02,

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**#** mfc\_na2760\_c1484\_01

**Interviewer** James J. Bishop and Amy Bouchard

**Narrator:** Benoit Bouchard

**/Depositor:** Morin, Old Town Public Library,  
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**Description:** 2760 Benoit Bouchard, interviewed by James J. Bishop and Amy Bouchard Morin, August 19, 1993, at his home in Old Town, Maine. For the "Islands and Bridges" project. Bouchard discusses the use of French on French Island, 1914-1920; starting school and learning to speak English; music; operation that allowed him to walk; WWII ration stamps; interior layout of the school; having to speak English in school; effect of language barrier on educational opportunities; Helen Hunt school; playing violin in a traveling orchestra, at dances in the area; introduction of radio to the area in 1920s; Old Town High School and Machias Normal School; prejudice against Catholics; St. Joseph's church; teaching at Herbert Gray school in Old Town; flu epidemic of 1918; changes on the Island after WWII.

Text: 29 pp. transcript

Recording: mfc\_na2760\_c1483\_01&02, mfc\_na2760\_c1484\_01 76 minutes

See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine* (1999); <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>.

**Related Collections** See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine*  
**& Accessions** (1999). <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>

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Interviewer Amy Bouchard Morin, Old Town

Narrator: Benoit Bouchard, Bernard "Bing"

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Bouchard, Albert "Bert" Morin, Walter  
Morin, Beatrice Morin

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**Description:** 2761 Benoit Bouchard, Bernard "Bing" Bouchard, Albert "Bert" Morin, Walter Nadeau, and Beatrice Morin, interviewed by Amy Bouchard Morin, February 18, 1994, at Albert and Amy Morin's home in Old Town, Maine, for the "Islands and Bridges" project. The group reminisces about life on French Island: family relationships; where specific families lived; stores; carpenter work; Great Depression; prices; homebrew, bootlegging, and Prohibition; nicknames; music and dances; cutting and storing ice from the river; coal and grain from the railroad; cellar flooding; property ownership and land use on the island; drainage and sewers; food packaging, barrels and boxes of pickles, crackers, molasses, etc.; buying gasoline; driving in the 1920s; stretching candy; smoking; buying houses in the 1940s and 1950s; fishing; delivering mail; nosy neighbors; funerals; helpful neighbors; college students.

Text: 45 pp. transcript

Recording: mfc\_na2761\_c1485\_01&02, mfc\_na2761\_c1486\_01&02 114 minutes

See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine* (1999); <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>.

**Related Collections** See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine* (1999); <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>

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**#** mfc\_na2762\_c1488\_01

**Interviewer** Amy Bouchard Morin, Old Town

**Narrator:** John Bouchard, Benoit Bouchard

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**Description:** **2762 John Bouchard and Benoit Bouchard**, interviewed by Amy Bouchard Morin, October 19, 1993, at Benoit's home in Old Town, Maine. For the "Islands and Bridges" project. The Bouchard brothers talk about French Island: neighbors; businesses; school on the Island and teacher's names; interior layout of the school; school yard games; recipe for homemade lemon, onion, and honey cough medicine; family relationships and mother's death; watching fights between Orono and French Island young men; boxing; children's work and play; relationships with neighbors; John's brush with tuberculosis; time at Maine Maritime Academy and joining the Coast Guard.

Text: 28 pp. transcript

Recording: **mfc\_na2762\_c1487\_01&02, mfc\_na2762\_c1488\_01** 94 minutes

See also *Nos Histoires de l'Île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine* (1999); <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>.

**Related Collections** See also *Nos Histoires de l'Île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine*  
**& Accessions** (1999). <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>

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**Interviewer** Amy Bouchard Morin, Old Town

**Narrator:** Norman Brilliant

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**Description:** 2763 Norman Brilliant, interviewed by Amy Bouchard Morin, August 25, 1993, at his home in Old Town, Maine. For the "Islands and Bridges" project. Also present, Benoit Bouchard. Brilliant discusses life on French Island; father's work; neighbors; businesses; swimming in the Penobscot River; St. Joseph's school and coming home for lunch; food; Christmas; children's and adult's entertainment; Fourth of July; Helen Hunt school; English and French at home and school; WWII in the Pacific; outhouses; weddings on Mondays; funerals; LaBree's bakery.

Text: 18 pp. transcript

Recording: mfc\_na2763\_c1489\_01, mfc\_na2763\_c1489\_02 51 minutes

See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine* (1999); <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>.

**Related Collections** See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine*  
**& Accessions** (1999). <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>

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**Interviewer** Carol Nichols and Adeline "Connie"

**Narrator:** Lucienne Cloutier

**/Depositor:** St. Louis, Old Town Public Library,  
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**Description:** **2764 Lucienne Cloutier**, interviewed by Carol Nichols and Adeline "Connie" St. Louis, August 2, 1993, in Old Town, Maine. For the "Islands and Bridges" project. Cloutier talks about living on French Island; neighbors; animals; stores; meeting her husband and moving onto French Island; emigration from Canada to the Lewiston mills, then to a farm in Old Town; Great Depression; names; Pea Cove school; woolen mill in Old Town; children's entertainment; peddlers; holidays; traditional foods; boxing and baseball games; changes on the Island.

Text: 12 pp. transcript

Recording: **mfc\_na2764\_c1490\_01**, **mfc\_na2764\_c1490\_02** 55 minutes

See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine* (1999); <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>.

**Related Collections** See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine*  
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**Interviewer** Carol Nichols and Adeline "Connie"

**Narrator:** Eva Collins

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**Description:** 2765 Eva Collins, interviewed by Carol Nichols and Adeline "Connie" St. Louis, November 22, 1993, in Old Town, Maine. For the "Islands and Bridges" project. Collins discusses moving to French Island after her marriage; LaBree's bakery; other stores and businesses; speaking French; neighbors; adult's and children's entertainment; holidays; blood sausages (boudin); boxing; Great Depression; Prohibition and homebrew; changes on the Island.

Text: 15 pp. transcript

Recording: mfc\_na2765\_c1491\_01, mfc\_na2765\_c1491\_02 54 minutes

See also *Nos Histoires de l'Île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine* (1999); <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>.

**Related Collections** See also *Nos Histoires de l'Île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine* (1999); <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>

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**#** mfc\_na2766\_c1493\_01,

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**Interviewer** Alan Comeau, Old Town Public

**Narrator:** Patrick Crowley

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**Description:** 2766 Patrick Crowley, interviewed by Alan Comeau, September 21 and October 20, 1993, at the Shuffle Inn in Old Town, Maine. For the "Islands and Bridges" project. Crowley talks about life on French Island; family reunions and genealogy; businesses on the Island; St. Joseph's school; crossing the ice; swimming and the booms on the Penobscot river; changes in winter weather; children's work and recreation; neighborhood relationships; getting married; Christmas; mother's divorce; feelings about his religion; working at the University; Saturday baths; Father John's tonic; lighting a candle to pray; bars on French Island.

Text: 28 pp. transcript

Recording: mfc\_na2766\_c1492\_01&02, mfc\_na2766\_c1493\_01&02 108 minutes

See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine* (1999); <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>.

**Related Collections** See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine* (1999); <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>

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**Interviewer** Carol Nichols and Adeline "Connie"

**Narrator:** Yvonne Shorette Currier

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**Description:** 2767 Yvonne Shorette Currier, interviewed by Carol Nichols and Adeline "Connie" St. Louis, November 22, 1993, at her home in Old Town, Maine. For the "Islands and Bridges" project. Currier, born on French Island in 1908, discusses St. Joseph's school and the Island school; friends and family; children's games; French at home and English at school; parent's work; traditional foods; Silver Slipper dance hall; changes on the Island; Christmas; family names of French Islanders; movie theaters; peddlers, including the ice man; nicknames; homebrew and bootlegging.

Text: 25 pp. transcript

Recording: mfc\_na2767\_c1494\_01, mfc\_na2767\_c1494\_02 52 minutes

See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine* (1999); <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>.

**Related Collections** See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine*  
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**#** mfc\_na2768\_c1496\_01,

mfc\_na2768\_c1496\_02

**Interviewer** James Bishop, Old Town Public

**Narrator:** Albert Michaud, Walter Simon, Rand  
Trembly, Ernest Dubay

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**Description:** 2768 Albert Michaud, Walter Simon, Rand Trembly, and Ernest Dubay, interviewed by James Bishop, February 25, 1994, in Old Town, Maine. For the "Islands and Bridges" project. The group talks about their experiences and memories of growing up on French Island: sports and games, especially softball, boxing (the fights); scrounging donuts under the Milford bridge; swimming in the Penobscot River; conflict between St. Joseph's school children and the Island school children and between Islanders and Old Town; religious curriculum at St. Joseph's school; basketball; nicknames; Helen Hunt Junior High; newspapers; stores and taverns on the Island; work & factory jobs; food in the Great Depression; funerals, floods, and neighborliness; holidays, esp. Fourth of July and Mardi Gras; milk delivery; getting a driver's license; speaking French.

Text: 34 pp. transcript

Recording: mfc\_na2768\_c1495\_01&02, mfc\_na2768\_c1496\_01&02 102 minutes

See also *Nos Histoires de l'Île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine* (1999); <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>.

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**Interviewer** Albert Michaud, Old Town Public

**Narrator:** Clayton Landry

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**Description:** 2769 Clayton Landry, interviewed by Albert Michaud, October 6, 1993, at his home in Old Town, Maine. For the "Islands and Bridges" project. Landry discusses moving to French Island; boxing matches; neighbors; the Shuffle Inn; grocery stores; cutting ice from the Penobscot River; entertainment and children's games; changing French names to English; St. Joseph's school; children's economic activities; community garbage disposal; pulpwood river drives; heating (or not) with wood stoves; holidays; Catholic Order of Foresters; Ku Klux Klan; and his service in WWII.

Text: 21 pp. transcript

Recording: mfc\_na2769\_c1497\_01, mfc\_na2769\_c1497\_02 44 minutes

See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine* (1999); <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>.

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<b>Interviewer</b> Carol Nichols, Old Town Public				<b>Narrator:</b> Patrick (Leo) Lagasse	
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**Description:** 2770 Patrick (Leo) Lagasse, interviewed by Carol Nichols, June 4 or 6, 1993, at his home in Westbrook, Maine. For the "Islands and Bridges" project. Lagasse talks about his memories of French Island in Old Town; nicknames; French and the French Island school; factory and mill work; Great Depression; dairy farming and milk as part of the daily diet; cutting ice from the Penobscot River; lumberyard on Hildreth Street; polio; Benoit Bouchard and Herbert Gray School; children's and adult's entertainment; grocery stores; Great Depression and WPA work; Old Town airport; Monday wash day; boxing matches; plumbing and the first bathtub on French Island; automobiles; Prohibition, homebrew, and bootleggers; shining shoes at the University of Maine; and WWII.

Text: 15 pp. partial transcript

Recording: mfc\_na2770\_c1498\_01, mfc\_na2770\_c1499\_01&02 80 minutes

See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and Memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine* (1999); <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>.

**Related Collections** See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine*  
**& Accessions** (1999). <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>

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**Name:** Communities of  
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**Interviewer** Carol Nichols, Old Town Public

**Narrator:** Albert Michaud, Rita England Michaud

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**Description:** 2771 **Albert Michaud and Rita England Michaud**, interviewed by Carol Nichols, July 27, 1993, at their home in Old Town, Maine. For the "Islands and Bridges" project. The Michauds discuss early memories of French Island; children's entertainment and games; why French Island was once called Skin Island; city dump; Shuffle Inn; softball; boxers; schools; meals; gardens; Mardi Gras and Lent; community and neighboring; Great Depression; 1936 flood; bootlegging; hunting, raising, selling, and eating rabbits and deer; and stores on the Island.

Text: 18 pp. transcript

Recording: **mfc\_na2771\_c1500\_01**, **mfc\_na2771\_c1500\_02** 57 minutes

See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine* (1999); <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>.

**Related Collections** See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine*  
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**Interviewer** Amy Bouchard Morin, Old Town

**Narrator:** Albert Morin and Bernice Morin

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**Description:** 2772 Albert Morin and Bernice Morin, interviewed by Amy Bouchard Morin, August 27, 1993, at their home in Old Town, Maine. For the "Islands and Bridges" project. Also present, Benoit Bouchard. The Morins talk about family history; parent's immigration from Canada to French Island; schools; neighbors; children's entertainment; holidays; work, at lumber mill, and factories; Great Depression and WPA work; funerals and weddings; boxing and softball; LaBree's bakery and other French Island businesses; WWII; automobiles and roads; women's textile crafts; arrival of electricity; prices; clothing; peddlers; and the 1918 flu epidemic.

Text: 23 pp. transcript

Recording: mfc\_na2772\_c1501\_01, mfc\_na2772\_c1501\_02 56 minutes

See also *Nos Histoires de l'Île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine* (1999); <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>.

**Related Collections** See also *Nos Histoires de l'Île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine*  
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**Name:** Communities of  
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**Interviewer** Amy Bouchard Morin, Old Town

**Narrator:** Rachel Hortense Morin

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**Description:** 2773 Rachel Hortense Morin, interviewed by Amy Bouchard Morin, July 29, 1993, in Orono, Maine. For the "Islands and Bridges" project. Also present, Benoit Bouchard. R. Morin reminisces about living on French Island in Old Town: family history; neighbors; games and entertainment; businesses; nicknames; meals; Christmas; family relationships and economic activities; learning English in school; St. Joseph's School and the nuns; and nuns and priests from French Island. Interviewee frequently lapses into *French*.

Text: 21 pp. transcript

Recording: mfc\_na2773\_c1502\_01, mfc\_na2773\_c1502\_02 partially in *French* 55 minutes

See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine* (1999); <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>.

**Related Collections** See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine*  
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**Interviewer** Carol Nichols, Old Town Public

**Narrator:** Bella Nadeau

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**Description:** 2774 **Bella Nadeau**, interviewed by Carol Nichols, 1993, at her home in Old Town, Maine. For the "Islands and Bridges" project. Nadeau talks about growing up on French Island in Old Town, including: movie theaters and music; St. Joseph's school; sawmill; stores and restaurants; LaBree's bakery; playmates and children's games; night school for adults; dangers of trains; delivering milk to the neighborhood; mourning customs; saw mills and woolen mill; wash day; and plumbing.

Text: 16 pp. transcript

Recording: **mfc\_na2774\_c1503\_01**, **mfc\_na2774\_c1503\_02** 53 minutes

See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine* (1999); <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>.

**Related Collections** See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine* (1999); <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>

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**Interviewer** Albert Michaud, Old Town Public

**Narrator:** Gloria Thornton, Doris Nadeau

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**Description:** 2775 Gloria Thornton and Doris Nadeau, interviewed by Albert Michaud, November 1993, at the Thornton's home in Milford, Maine. For the "Islands and Bridges" project. The two sisters reminisce with their younger brother, Albert Michaud, about growing up on French Island in Old Town: schools; swimming and boating on the Penobscot river; bathing suits; Fourth of July; river drives of logs and pulpwood; New Year's celebration; businesses on the Island; Prohibition and bootlegging; nicknames; prejudice against the French; ice skating and sledding; Lent and saying the rosary; sewing circles; taking in boarders; neighborhood relationships; changing French names to English; and the Shuffle Inn.

Text: 18 pp. transcript

Recording: mfc\_na2775\_c1504\_01, mfc\_na2775\_c1504\_02 61 minutes

See also *Nos Histoires de l'Île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine* (1999); <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>.

**Related Collections** See also *Nos Histoires de l'Île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine*  
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**Interviewer** Genie Wollstadt, Old Town Public

**Narrator:** Walter Nadeau

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**Description:** 2776 **Walter Nadeau**, interviewed by Genie Wollstadt, December 9, 1993, at his home in Old Town, Maine. For the "Islands and Bridges" project. Nadeau talks about growing up on French Island in Old Town; parent's work; schools; children's games; father's grocery store; community telephone; transportation and transition to automobiles; businesses on the Island; 1934 flood; neighbors; funerals and weddings; medicine and doctors; sewing circles; 4th of July; employment opportunities in the Old Town area; and the Great Depression.

Text: 21 pp. transcript

Recording: **mfc\_na2776\_c1505\_01**, **mfc\_na2776\_c1505\_02** 48 minutes

See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine* (1999); <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>.

**Related Collections** See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine*  
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**Interviewer** Barbara Ouellette, Old Town Public

**Narrator:** Meledore Ouellette

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**Description:** 2777 Meledore Ouellette, interviewed by Barbara Ouellette, 1994, at her home on French Island in Old Town, Maine. For the "Islands and Bridges" project. Ouellette discusses her memories of French Island. Topics include: the locations of houses and businesses; LaBree's bakery; stores on the Island; funerals; neighborhood relationships; keeping animals for food; jobs; food; boxing; Shuffle Inn; baseball games; and swimming.

Text: 10 pp. transcript

Recording: mfc\_na2777\_c1506\_01, mfc\_na2777\_c1506\_02 38 minutes

See also *Nos Histoires de l'Île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine* (1999); <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>.

**Related Collections** See also *Nos Histoires de l'Île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine*  
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**Interviewer** Amy Bouchard Morin, Old Town

**Narrator:** Melvina Paradis

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**Description:** 2778 Melvina Paradis, interviewed by Amy Bouchard Morin, June 11, 1993, at her home on French Island in Old Town, Maine. For the "Islands and Bridges" project. Also present, Benoit Bouchard and Velma Paradis. M. Paradis discusses her experiences on French Island; family history; her parent's work; schools on the Island and off; World War One (WWI); getting teeth pulled before dentists; cooking, growing, and preserving food; sewing circle; Catholic churches in town; arrival of electricity and running water; neighborhood relationships; and weddings.

Text: 11 pp. transcript

Recording: mfc\_na2778\_c1507\_01, mfc\_na2778\_c1507\_02 36 minutes

See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine* (1999); <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>.

**Related Collections** See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine*  
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**Interviewer** Carol Nichols and Adeline "Connie"

**Narrator:** Cecile Pietrowski

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**Description:** 2779 Cecile Pietrowski, interviewed by Carol Nichols and Adeline "Connie" St. Louis, August 14, 1993, in Old Town, Maine. For the "Islands and Bridges" project. Pietrowski talks about her experiences living on French Island in Old Town: short cuts; building patterns; bootlegging and home brew; Great Depression and food; women's baseball; boxing; nicknames; children's entertainment; holidays and traditional food; changes on the Island; women working outside the home; Shuffle Inn; why it was once called Skin Island; LaBree's bakery; churches and schools; father's work as a policeman.

Text: 16 pp. partial transcript

Recording: mfc\_na2779\_c1508\_01, mfc\_na2779\_c1508\_02 60 minutes

See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine* (1999); <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>.

**Related Collections** See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine*  
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**Interviewer** Amy Bouchard Morin and Benoit

**Narrator:** Joseph C. "Spike" Richard

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**Description:** 2780 Joseph C. "Spike" Richard, interviewed by Amy Bouchard Morin and Benoit Morin, July 29, 1994, at his home in Bradley, Maine. For the "Islands and Bridges" project. Richard talks about growing up on French Island in Old Town; and his involvement in the boxing matches held on the Island. Other topics include: schools; family relationships; his time in the CCC; children's entertainment; parent's work; traditional food; electricity; homebrew; and WWII, with the National Guard in Florida and New Zealand.

Text: 19 pp. transcript

Recording: mfc\_na2780\_c1509\_01&02, mfc\_na2780\_c1510\_01 74 minutes

See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine* (1999); <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>.

**Related Collections** See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine* (1999); <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>

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**Interviewer** Carol Nichols and Adeline "Connie"

**Narrator:** Rebecca St. Louis Paul

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**Description:** 2781 Rebecca St. Louis Paul, interviewed by Carol Nichols and Adeline "Connie" St. Louis, June, 1993, about French Island, Old Town, Maine. For the "Islands and Bridges" project. Paul discusses schools; children's entertainment; neighborhood relationships; holidays, including Lent, Halloween, Christmas; camping; food traditions; stores; and changes on the Island.

Text: 12 pp. transcript

Recording: mfc\_na2781\_c1511\_01, mfc\_na2781\_c1511\_02 38 minutes

See also *Nos Histoires de l'Île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine* (1999); <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>.

**Related Collections** See also *Nos Histoires de l'Île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine*  
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**Interviewer** Albert Michaud, Old Town Public

**Narrator:** Estelle Voter, Henrietta Taylor

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**Description:** 2782 Estelle Voter and Henrietta Taylor, interviewed by Albert Michaud, December 3, 1993, in Eddington, Maine. For the "Islands and Bridges" project. The two sisters discuss life on French Island in Old Town, Maine: family relationships and history; children's entertainment; childbirth; schools; 1936 flood; funerals and mourning customs; holidays, especially New Year's Eve, Christmas, Mardi Gras, dating customs; Skin Island; woolen mill; boxing; and blood stoppers.

Text: 16 pp. transcript

Recording: mfc\_na2782\_c1512\_01, mfc\_na2782\_c1512\_02 55 minutes

See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine* (1999); <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>.

**Related Collections** See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine*  
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**Interviewer** Carol Nichols and Adeline "Connie"

**Narrator:** Betty Thibodeau Medieros

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**Description:** 2783 **Betty Thibodeau Medieros**, interviewed by Carol Nichols and Adeline "Connie" St. Louis, November 17, 1993, at her home in Old Town, Maine. For the "Islands and Bridges" project. Medieros reminisces about growing up on French Island: neighborhood relationships; family history; holidays; children's entertainment; nicknames; Shuffle Inn and stores on the Island; religious observances; Christmas; traditional foods; mother's work for wages; downtown Old Town; end of World War Two; and changes on the Island.

Text: 17 pp. transcript

Recording: **mfc\_na2783\_c1513\_01**, **mfc\_na2783\_c1513\_02** 66 minutes

See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine* (1999); <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>.

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**Interviewer** Albert Michaud, Old Town Public

**Narrator:** Marion Guay, Gloria Thornton

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**Description:** 2784 Marion Guay and Gloria Thornton, interviewed by Albert Michaud, May 12, 1994, at Guay's home in Old Town, Maine. For the "Islands and Bridges" project. Guay and Thornton talk about French Island; schools; children's work; neighborhood and family relationships; women's work for wages; Great Depression; and blood stoppers.

Text: 13 pp. transcript

Recording: mfc\_na2784\_c1514\_01, mfc\_na2784\_c1514\_02 53 minutes

See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine* (1999); <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>.

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Memory in Old

**Interviewer** Carol Nichols and Adeline "Connie"

**Narrator:** Bernice Morin, Betty Labretton, Flora Bosse, Pauline Baillargeon

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**Description:** 2785 Bernice Morin, Betty Labretton, Flora Bosse, and Pauline Baillargeon, interviewed by Carol Nichols and Adeline "Connie" St. Louis, March 2, 1994, in Old Town, Maine, for the "Islands and Bridges" project. Also present, Albert Morin. The group of women discuss life on French Island; traditional foods; Great Depression; nicknames; stores; movie theaters; schools; baseball; boxing; childbirth; Christmas; neighborhood relationships; children's and adult's entertainment; and changing French names to English.

Text: 38 pp. transcript

Recording: mfc\_na2785\_c1515\_01&02, mfc\_na2785\_c1516\_01 79 minutes

See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine* (1999); <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>.

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**Interviewer** Old Town Public Library, Franco-

**Narrator:** Christina Bouchard Duplissa

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**Description:** 2786 Letter from **Christina Bouchard Duplissa** to her cousin Amy Bouchard Morin, December 15, 1994. This autobiographical letter contains reminiscences about Duplissa's early years on French Island in Old Town, Maine, between 1939 and 1950. She recalls children's games and other entertainment; and neighborhood relationships.

Text: 2 pp. autobiographical letter

See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine* (1999); <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>.

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**Narrator:** Van Geroux

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**Description:** 2787 Combination of excerpts from several letters written by **Van Geroux** to Leona Taylor (March 12, 1991), and Lelia Richards (several during 1994-1995). In these excerpts, Geroux reminisces about life on French Island in Old Town, Maine: the Shuffle Inn; baseball; children's entertainment; boxing; grocery stores; French Island characters; an extensive list of nicknames; taverns, barbershops, lumber yard, and railroad; street cleaners; movie theaters; priests; horses; feeding and butchering pigs; skiing; pickling and canning food; and beanhole beans.

Text: 21 pp. excerpts from letters

See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine* (1999); <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>.

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**Interviewer** Albert Michaud, Old Town Public

**Narrator:** Eugene Beaulieu

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**Description:** 2788 Eugene Beaulieu, interviewed by Albert Michaud, November 16, 1994, at his home in Milford, Maine. For the "Islands and Bridges" project. Beaulieu remembers growing up on French Island in Old Town, including family history; schools; neighborhood relationships; softball; speaking French; children's entertainment; parent's work; changing French names to English; and placement of houses on French Island.

Text: 15 pp. transcript

Recording: mfc\_na2788\_c1521\_01, mfc\_na2788\_c1521\_02 47 minutes

See also *Nos Histoires de l'île: History and memories of French Island, Old Town, Maine* (1999); <http://francolib.francoamerican.org/items/show/992>.

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# Pauline A. Baillargeon

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OLD TOWN -- Pauline A. Baillargeon, 85, widow of Alfred E. Baillargeon, died peacefully Jan. 7, 2006, at a Bangor hospital surrounded by her whole family.

She was born July 5, 1920, in Old Town, a daughter of Leon and Florence (Cote) Pelletier.

A lifelong resident of French Island in Old Town, Pauline attended St. Joseph School. She was employed at Old Town Shoe for many years, and the University of Maine, Stewart Commons, as a line server, retiring in 1983 after 13 years of service. She was a member of the Knights of Columbus Auxiliary and the Veterans of Foreign Wars Ladies Auxiliary. She was a faithful member of Holy Family Parish, Old Town. In her retirement, Pauline loved to travel, talk "democratic" politics and spend time with her family and friends.

She is survived by a daughter, Cheryl Petrie and her husband, Bob, of Benton; six grandchildren, Matthew Costello and his wife, Cecile, of Old Town, David Costello and his wife, Sally, of Baltimore, Md., Lisa Herbet

and her husband, Michael, of Greene, Debra Michaud and her husband, Ray, of Sabattus, Jason Petrie and his wife, Rebecca, of Waterville, and Troy Petrie and his wife, Misti, of Tucson, Ariz.; nine great-grandchildren, John and Ben of Old Town, Britni and Colby of Sabattus, Simon and Alexandra of Greene, and Sam, Tom and Grace of Baltimore; several nieces and nephews; and a special friend, Priscilla Dionne.

She was predeceased by her daughter Gail; a brother, David Pelletier; and a sister, Corinne Cook.

Friends may call 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Monday at Birmingham Funeral Home, 438 Main St., Old Town, where members of the Knights of Columbus Auxiliary will conduct a prayer service at 7:30 p.m. A Mass of Christian burial will be celebrated 11 a.m. Tuesday at Holy Family Parish with the Rev. Wilfred Labbe, celebrant.

Immediately following the Mass, all are invited to the Holy Family Parish Center for a light luncheon and continued fellowship. Spring interment will occur at St. Joseph Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Step Up for Holy Family Fund or the Building Fund at Holy Family Parish, 429 Main Street, Old Town, ME 04468.

To Plant Memorial Trees in memory, please visit our [Sympathy Store](#).

Published in Morning Sentinel on Jan. 9, 2006.

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## Eugene W. Beaulieu

July 31, 1929 - April 29, 2018

OLD TOWN - Eugene W. Beaulieu passed away peacefully at the age of 88 on Sunday, April 29th, 2018. Born on July 1929 in Old Town, Maine, to Jules and Julia (Theriault) Beaulieu, he grew up on French Island where he had fond memories of that community, and his Uncle's grocery store on South Main Street.

Eugene graduated from St. Joseph's Academy and St. Joseph's University in New Brunswick. One of his favorite stories was of an unsuccessful attempt to learn the triangle so that he could travel with his friends in the Orchestra. He served in the US Army and was stationed in Germany. While serving he also spent time teaching English literacy to soldiers. In return, they allowed him to play on their basketball team often to shouts of "shoot, Beaulieu!" He went on to obtain his law degree from Suffolk University in Boston in 1958. Upon returning to Old Town, he practiced law for two decades, also serving as assistant county prosecutor for Penobscot and Piscataquis counties for eleven years. It was during this time that he met Linda, his most important client. They married and raised a family together in Milford. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus and a faithful communicant of Holy Family Parish in Old Town. Eugene was appointed Judge to the 3rd District Court in Bangor in 1980. He became a Justice at the Penobscot County Superior Court in 1985, serving until his appointment to United States Federal Magistrate Judge in 1992.

Summers were spent at camp on Pushaw Lake in Old Town, where he enjoyed blueberry picking in the bog. There he began his annual Fourth of July Brunch, which he took great pride in, with increasing attendance every year with family and friends. During the winter months he was a season ticket holder to the men's University of Maine Hockey team. Every Christmas was met with an enthusiasm for both giving and receiving presents with an emphasis on spending time with family.

He retired in 2000, remaining close to his coworkers, often joining them for dinner at local restaurants. He cherished his time going to Sea Dogs games with "the guys." Retirement was filled with the things he loved; including family and friends, golf, reading, and watching the news. He and Linda spent winters in Florida where he was able to attend his beloved Red Sox spring training games. He also remained a lifelong fan of both the New England Patriots and Notre Dame football.

He is survived by his wife, Linda, of Old Town, his daughter, Diana Akerley and her wife, Jill, of Milford, his son, Anthony Perkins and his fiancée, Teresa Sprinkle, of Orleans, Michigan, and his daughter, Nicole Lee and her husband, Andrew, of Bangor; eight grandchildren, Matthew Perkins and his wife, Kelly, Michael Perkins, JP Stowe and his wife, Ashley, Kari Stowe Lovely and her husband, Brian, Dillon Clark and his wife, Denise, Dalton Sprinkle, Dylan Sprinkle, and Maximus Lee; five great-grandchildren, Braylen Perkins, Beckett Stowe, Kayden Perkins, Grady Perkins, and Luciana Clark, along with three others expected this summer; four siblings, Charlene Preble, Ruth Ann Martin, and Mary Brown, all of Old Town, and Walter Beaulieu of Hampton, NH, along with many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by three of his sisters, Florence Martin, Kay Veno, and Pauline Lonko.

A special thank you to the staff of Loving Touch, Dirigo Pines, and VNA Hospice.

Friends may call from 5-8 p.m. on Friday, May 4, 2018, at Birmingham Funeral Home, 438 Main St., Old Town, where members of the Knight of Columbus will recite prayers at 7:30 p.m. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. on Saturday, May 5, 2018, at Parish of the Resurrection, Holy Family Church, Old Town. A reception and celebration of his life will follow at the Black Bear Inn and Conference. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Old Town Animal Orphanage, 71 Airport Road, Old Town, Maine 04468.

To plant a tree in memory of Eugene W. Beaulieu, please visit [Tribute Store](#).

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# BENOIT J. BOUCHARD

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by **Contributed**  
September 25, 2008

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OLD TOWN – Benoit J. Bouchard, 95, died Aug. 6, 2007, in Orono. Benoit was born April 11, 1912, in Old Town, the son of John and Henedine (St. Pierre) Bouchard. He graduated from Old Town High School in 1931 and Washington State Normal School, Machias, in 1934. He received his bachelor's degree from Farmington State Teachers' College and a master's degree from the University of Maine. His first teaching position was in East New Portland, where he taught for three years. In 1937, he returned to Old Town to teach the sixth grade at the Herbert Gray school and was made principal of that school in 1938. Ben served in that position until his retirement in 1972. After his retirement, until he reached age 80, he substituted in Old Town schools in all grades from kindergarten through high school. He loved children. In all, he gave 55 years of devoted service to the youth of Old Town. During his years as principal, Ben brought many



innovations into his school. He started annual operettas, which were mammoth musical productions held yearly in the city hall. Then, his sixth grade class produced a marionette show every year for several years. He introduced the Parent/Teacher's Association, PTA, in his school and this was soon adopted in all the elementary schools in Old Town. Ben was a fine musician and played both the violin and trombone. In his high school days he was a member of both the orchestra and the band. In college, he was an active member of the Kappa Delta Phi fraternity. He earned his way through college by giving violin lessons and playing for dances. After college he was connected with two musical organizations, one an orchestra, which was composed of members of the Bouchard family and the other the Duffy orchestra in Orono. These orchestras played numerous engagements all over the state of Maine and Ben could play any kind of music from French-Canadian jigs and reels, popular music of the era, country to classical. He was a past president of the local Order of Elks, held offices in the Maine Elementary Principals' Association, was a scoutmaster for Boy Scout Troop 70 for five years, past director of the Old Town YMCA, a member of the Maine Retired Teacher's Association and a member of the Old Town Senior Citizen's Club. Ben was an active board member of the French Island Oral History project, *Nos Histoires de l'Île*, and enjoyed visiting and interviewing people for this project. He also enjoyed the French Island French Club meetings, where he was able to speak French with people of all ages. Ben is survived by a daughter, Amy Morin and her husband, Arthur, of Old Town; son, Dennis Bouchard and his wife, Ann, of West Hills, Calif.; grandsons, Kevin Morin and his wife, Beth, of Old Town, and Brian Bouchard and his wife, Toni, of Simi Valley, Calif.; granddaughters, Linda Smith and her husband, Michael, of Milford, and Lisa Peterson and her husband, Aaron, of Sunland, Calif.; 10 great-grandchildren, Jeni Madden and her husband, Randall Madden Jr., Kaylie Smith of Milford, Hannah and Gabriel Benoit Morin of Old Town, Sarah, Ethan, Megan and Jacob Peterson, and Jamison and Sophia Bouchard; brother, John Bouchard of Old Town; sister, Olive Smith of Dresher, Pa.; as well as several nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews. He was predeceased by his parents; wife, Agatha (Morneault) Bouchard; three brothers, Matthew, Emanuel and Roderick; two sisters, Evangeline Cowan and Regina Cowan; and his beloved grandson, Michael Morin. Visiting hours will be held 5-8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 9, at Birmingham Funeral Home, 438 Main St., Old Town. A Mass of Christian burial will be celebrated 10 a.m. Friday, Aug. 10, at Holy Family Parish, Old Town. Interment will be held after at Lawndale Cemetery. Family and friends are invited to a luncheon after services at the parish hall. In lieu of flowers,

## John Bouchard

May 18, 1924 - April 19, 2016

OLD TOWN - John A. Bouchard, 90, a loving husband and father, passed away peacefully on April 19, following a long illness. He was born in Old Town on May 18, 1924, the youngest child of John B. and Henedine (St. Pierre) Bouchard.

John graduated from Old Town High School and was a proud graduate of Maine Maritime Academy, class of 1944, with a concentration in marine engineering. After graduating from MMA, he was commissioned into the U.S. Merchant Marines, serving in the Pacific during the final years of World War II. He spent an additional 20 years as a Lt. j.g. in the U.S. Navy Reserve, and honorably discharged in 1964. We will remember John as a very kind, gentle and patient man who was supportive and encouraging to his family, friends and colleagues. A good day for John included spending time with his family, enjoying a meal that he prepared for them, and playing cribbage with his kids. He loved telling stories about growing up on "French Island" in Old Town, as he was very proud of his Franco-American heritage. He also took a great deal of pride in his role as the "camp cook" at the hunting camp in Howe Brook where he enjoyed the company of his brothers-in-law. He took up golf again in retirement and enjoyed his time spent at the Hidden Meadows Golf Course in Old Town. He loved spending summers with his family at the camp on Pushaw Lake and took pleasure in his many winters in Naples, Florida. John spent nearly all of his working life as an insurance adjuster, most of which being with Maine Bonding and Casualty Company as the branch manager of the Bangor office. He loved his work, the people that he worked with in the Bangor office, and the many acquaintances that he made during his career. His life included service to his community as a member of the Old Town City Council with one term as council president. He was also a member of the Old Town Housing Authority, serving a term as vice-chairman. John's Catholic faith was very important to him and he served his church as a member of the St. Joseph's Parish Council. He was a life member of the Elks Club in Old Town where, at age 27, he became one of the youngest exalted rulers in the club's history. He was also a member of the Knights of Columbus.

John is survived by his loving wife of 65 years, Eunice (Dufour) of Old Town, who lovingly cared for him during his extended illness in the home that he built. He is also survived by his children Paul, along with his wife Jane of Old Town and his daughter, Mary Anne Hesseltine of Winterport; his grandchildren Luke, Hillary and Matthew Bouchard; and Adam, Barry and Sarah Jane Hesseltine; his great grandchildren, Mikayla, Kendal Anne and Amelia, the children of Barry and his wife, Sarah; and Hunter and Killian, the sons of Adam and his wife, Randi. The family will be forever grateful to John's neighbors in Old Town, Patrick and Diane Swandel, and to his neighbors at Pushaw Lake, Tom and Lisa Shirley, for their caring support during difficult times. Finally, the loving and professional care of both Eastern Maine Hospice and the Arbor Unit staff at Dirigo Pines will never be forgotten by his family. John was predeceased by his parents; his four brothers, Matthew, Emmanuel, Benoit, and Roderick; and his three sisters, Evangeline, Regina and Olivia.

In honoring John's request, there will be no visiting hours. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated 10:00 AM Saturday, April 25, 2015 at Holy Family Catholic Church in Old Town with his good friends, the Rev. Raymond Picard and Rev. Rudolph Leveille, concelebrating the Mass. Friends and family are invited to share in conversation and refreshments following Mass in the parish hall. Gifts in John's memory may be made to Hospice of Eastern Maine, c/o EMHS Foundation, PO Box 931, Bangor, ME 04402-0931. Arrangements by Kiley & Foley Funeral Service, Bangor and Brewer. To plant a tree in memory of John Bouchard, please visit [Tribute Store](#).

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# NORMAN L. BRILLIANT

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by **Contributed**  
September 25, 2008

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OLD TOWN – After a long and fulfilling life, Norman L. Brilliant, 90, husband of the late Susan M. (Smith) Brilliant, passed away peacefully June 5, 2006, at his home. He was born Dec. 27, 1915, on French Island in Old Town, the son of the late Frederick and Delia (Lauzier) Brilliant. Norman served in the U.S. Army, 152nd Field Artillery Battalion, 43rd Division, during World War II. He was the humble recipient of the Purple

Heart and Bronze Star Medals. He was later employed at James River Corp. for 35 years, retiring in 1980. Norman was well known and respected in the Old Town community for his garden from which he derived great pleasure. He is survived by his two daughters, Linda M. Medeiros and her husband, Manuel V., of Asheville, N.C. and Norma Jean Brilliant of Old Town; three grandchildren, Denise V. Medeiros of Charlotte, N.C., Eron B. Gray of Fort Lauderdale, Fla. and Daniele J. Gray of Portland. He is also survived by his sister, Anita M. Parent of Bangor; and many nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents and wife, he was predeceased by his grandson, Jason V. Medeiros; brothers, Randolph, Gerald and Frederick "Junior;" and sister, Germaine. "In seeds of wisdom planted, in the quiet cultivation of life's best qualities, in deep devotion to family and friends, in the bountiful memories that sustain so many - a father's love lives on." His family is comforted to remember that all their tomorrows will be touched by the strength of his love and the warmth of his memory. Friends may call 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Thursday at the Birmingham Funeral Home, 438 Main St., Old Town, where a celebration of life will be conducted 10 a.m. Friday with the Rev. Bill Labbe officiating. Burial will be held immediately after the service at St. Joseph Cemetery in Old Town. [birminghamfuneralhome.com](http://birminghamfuneralhome.com)



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## *Birmingham Funeral Home*

438 Main Street, Old Town, ME

### OBITUARY

# *Lucienne Elise Cloutier*

JUNE 24, 1909 - MAY 13, 2015



**O**LD TOWN - Lucienne Elise Cloutier, 105, a resident of Treat & Webster Island aka French Island, passed away peacefully at home May 13, 2015 with her family by her side. Lucienne was born on June 24, 1909 in St. Cyprien, Québec, Canada. She was the second-youngest of the 14 children born to Joseph and Adeline (Cote) Dionne. After her mother passed away due to complications of childbirth, Lucienne moved to this country with her father and siblings in 1913. She became a naturalized citizen in 1946. Lucienne grew up on a farm in the Pea Cove area of Old Town. She attended school in Pea Cove, which was a one-room schoolhouse. One of her

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1932. They moved to Treat & Webster Island, where they raised their four children. They were married for 62 years until his passing on October 3, 1994. Lucienne was a member of the Holy Family Parish of Old Town and of the Old Town Senior Citizen Club for many years. She and her daughter Theresa were members of the Old Town/Orono YMCA, where Lucienne enjoyed her daily walks and made many friends. Energetic and vital, Lucienne always liked to be engaged in work or activities. Lucienne was an active member of the PO-KE-NO Club, which gathered weekly, for over 50 years. She enjoyed travel as well, visiting France and Italy and attending graduations and weddings of her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Over the years, Lucienne worked at various businesses in the Old Town area. However, she most enjoyed her many years of service working with the Shirley family at the Orono Commons nursing home, from which she retired in 1999 at the age of 90. Lucienne and her husband Louis built a camp on Pushaw Lake in 1952. She found great enjoyment spending summers there for the next 62 years, surrounded by their children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and many relatives and friends who visited. The lake was a gathering place for family events through the years, and she loved to participate in the many spirited card games played around the kitchen table. She also enjoyed the daily boat rides and beautiful sunsets from the front porch. She was a friend and inspiration to all who knew her and was adored by her family. Lucienne was predeceased by her husband Louis N. Cloutier Sr.; her sisters Alma Beaulieu, Amelia Paradis, Anna Violette, Ida Picard, Alice Lagasse, Yvonne Dionne, Eva Cote, Eugenie Fortin, and Marie Louise LaPlante; her brothers Philip Dionne, Napoleon Dionne, and Joseph Dionne; and her son-in-law Robert G. Hart. Lucienne is survived by her daughter Theresa Hart of Old Town, her son Louis N. Cloutier Jr. and his wife Dorli of Bolton, CT, her son Calixte W. Cloutier and his wife Adele of Harpswell, ME, and her son Michael H. Cloutier and his wife Joan of Auburn, ME. She is also survived by 12 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren, and four great-great-grandchildren. Lucienne was blessed with many loving and caring nieces and nephews who have survived her. We are all fortunate to have had Lucienne in our lives. Friends may call 2:00-4:00 and 7:00-9:00 Monday at the Birmingham Funeral Home, 438 Main St., Old Town, ME. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated 9AM Tuesday Parish of the Resurrection, Holy Family Church Old Town, ME, with Rev. Wilfred Labbe, celebrant. A gathering and lunch in celebration of Lucienne's life will be held at the Holy Family Parish Hall immediately following the funeral mass. In lieu of flowers, the Cloutier family asks that donations be made in Lucienne's memory to the Holy Family Parish, 429 Main St. Old Town, ME 04468

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# Memories

## Lucienne Elise Cloutier

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### Mary Cloutier

May 20, 2015

*I wrote this tribute with the intention of reading it at my grandmother's wake or funeral. I was unable to attend these events so instead shared it on my facebook page.*

*After much contemplation I would like to share this accolade to commemorate the life of Lucienne Elise Cloutier, or Little Grammy. I, like many of you, have found it quite difficult to translate my feelings into coherent thoughts. Yet, here I am, seeking your audience to express my sadness and share with you a few words about the woman I love so much.*

*However, before I speak of cherished memories, I ask that you take this moment to look at the person sitting next you. Acknowledge one another, for this person, like you and I, have become the living legacy of Lucienne Cloutier and with this distinction comes great responsibility. Although, she has passed from this world into the next, we must carry on with*

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*Regardless of how we were individually connected to Lucienne, her influence was unwavering, as she taught us all how to live through her love, compassion and strength. Of these qualities, we must also acknowledge the depths to which she possessed them... As it takes an endless amount of love, compassion and strength to deal with a family of this size and diversity!*

*How she managed to navigate through the madness that inevitably comes from having so much involvement in all our lives, I may never fully comprehend.*

*However, I feel so incredibly lucky for all the opportunities I had to create cherished memories and share major milestones in my life, thus far, with the matriarch of this family. In this regard, it never felt like there were 12 other grandchildren, 19 great grand kids, and 4 great, great grand kids. Somehow, Little Grammy made each of us a priority, another astonishing accomplishment considering there are 35 of us!*

*I, however, will always look back fondly on the long walks around old town, many of which lead to the front steps of La Bree's bakery. Or the lively rounds of rummy and the board games which often led to a victory dance or song. Truth be told, age did nothing to diminish her triumphant wins.*

*Dearest family, friends, and strangers, once we release one another from that final comforting embrace and return to our homes, our tribute to Lucienne will truly begin. Our task is a simple one, yet monumental, share with others the virtues that Little Grammy taught each one of us. For it is our duty and responsibility to now see beyond this sad event and accept her final lesson that love, compassion, and family never dies. With this in mind and in our hearts she will never truly be far from me, far from us.*

**JoAnn Webber**

May 17, 2015

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*Louis,*

*Sorry to hear of your Mom's passing. She had a rich life and was well loved. My love to Dee and your family.*

*Fondly, JoAnn*

**Chris Shirley**

May 17, 2015

*Dear Theresa and family,*

*Lucienne was a special lady and I feel blessed to have known her. I will cherish those memories always*

**Mark Cloutier**

May 17, 2015

*Dear Theresa, Louis, Calix, Mike, spouses and cousins, I'm so sorry and saddened by Aunt Lucille's passing. I have too many fond memories of her, Uncle Nelson and all of you to list, but I loved her very much and always thought she was an amazing woman. It was always so heartwarming to see how welcoming and happy she was to see me. I loved visiting them at Pushaw and loved watching and listening to Aunt Lucille and Uncle Nelson playing cards with my parents many, many times during my childhood. I know it's painful, but look at the life she had, not only in length, but with a close and loving family and many friends. I will think of her for the rest of my life. I wish you all the best.*

*Love,*

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**Irene Beane**

May 17, 2015

*Thoughts of Lucienne bring smiles of happy memories of summers at Pushaw Lake! She was an amazing lady who used her time and energy in such positive ways! I will always remember that as a child, I looked forward to the adults gathering for card games in the evening because it meant that I would fall asleep listening to the sounds of laughter and stories in the background. From berry picking to boat rides, she loved the simple things in life as long as she were in the midst of family and friends! In my mind, Lucienne was the 'Rose Kennedy' of the Cloutier, French Island, and Pushaw Lake families! She was deeply loved and respected by anyone who had the pleasure of sharing her time and space!*

**Claudette Michaud**

May 16, 2015

*Growing up down the street from the Cloutiers', I knew this wonderful lady very well. She was a gem and we send condolences to the family!*

*Claudette Levesque Michaud*

**Carol LeBlanc**

May 16, 2015

*Michael and Family - Sorry for the loss of your mother. The memories of the long life that she had with all of your families is very precious and all of you are so lucky to have had her for all that time. Know that we are thinking of you.*

*David & Carol LeBlanc*

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**Virginia King**

May 16, 2015

*Sorry to hear of the passing of such a wonderful lady. I also walk at the YMCA and watched in awe as this young lady walked. She always seemed caring, kind, gentle,, this is how I will think of her when I do my walk. Rest now sweet lady. God Bless you .A YMCA friend.*

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### OBITUARY

# Ernest Albert Dubay

JUNE 19, 1928 - AUGUST 29, 2015



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**M**ILFORD - Ernest A. Dubay, 87, died peacefully August 29, 2015 at his residence surrounded by family. He was born June 19, 1928 a son of Lionel Joseph and Etta (Fogarty) Dubay. Ernest graduated from Old Town High School Class of 1947. He served with the Merchant Marines, enlisting at age 16, with the permission of his mother. He worked for over 40 years at Striars Textile, retiring as mill superintendent, in 1990. Ernie enjoyed the outdoors spending time rabbit hunting, hunting, fishing, four wheeling, snowmobiling, and riding his motor cycle. He was an avid sports fan and especially enjoyed watching football. He also enjoyed puttering in

his garage. He was a member of the American Legion, Pine Tree Snowmobile Club, Rocky Mountain Trail Riders ATV club. He was a devoted and loving husband, father and grandfather and always put his family first. He was a kind, thoughtful, generous and loving man who was always willing to lend a helping hand. He is survived by his wife of 67 years Coral (Babb) Dubay; three daughters Cheryl Pieske and her husband William of Waldo, Rhonda Wentworth and her husband John of Unity, and Maureen Tozier of Waldo; daughter-in-law Gwen Dubay of Zionsville, IN; 11 grandchildren Ty Dubay, Tara Dubay, Amy Campbell, Jason Pieske, Charlene Pieske, Jeffrey Pieske, Amanda Wentworth, John L. Wentworth, Sarah Wentworth, Trevor Tozier, Nathan Tozier; 13 great grandchildren; 2 sisters Gloria Rugan and her husband Terry of Milford; Geneva Walters of Charleston, special nephew Calvin Carey, and special friend Mike Johnson; many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by a son Lionel Dubay in 1985 and 9 siblings Arthur Dubay, Margaret Carey, Emma Carey, Charles Dubay, Walter Dubay, William Dubay, Albert Dubay, Robert Dubay and Louis Dubay. A memorial gathering and celebration of his life will be conducted 4-7 Thursday at the Birmingham Funeral Home 438 Main St Old Town where an informal public of sharing of stories will be held at 6:30pm. Burial will be at a later date at Laurelale

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### OBITUARY

# *Clayton Prudent Landry*

DECEMBER 26, 1924 - OCTOBER 11, 2014



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**O**LD TOWN - Clayton P. Landry, 89, went home to his Lord and Savior, October 11, 2014 at a Bangor hospital. He was born December 26, 1924 in Ellsworth, a son of Emile and Nora (Martin) Landry. Clayton was a WWII Veteran, having served as a sharpshooter with the US Army stationed in Germany and England. Following the service, he returned to Old Town, where he worked in area shoe shops for over 23 years, as well as driving for Dana's Cab Co., working at the Old Town paper mill,

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years, Freda (Bosse) Landry; two sons, Bob Landry and his wife, Chris of Bradenton, FL and John Landry and his wife, Leanne of Yuba City, CA; daughters-in-law, Shirley Finnorn and Marla Landry; seven grandchildren, Rob Landry and his wife, Susie, David Landry and his wife, Carol, Carrie Landry, Steven Landry and his wife, Anne d'Auray, Angela McLaughlin and her husband, Gary, Kimberly Robinson and her husband, Brocke, and Samantha Belcher and her husband, Mike, 10 great-grandchildren, special nephew, Peter Bosse and his wife, Helen; several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by two sons, Larry and Mike Landry. Friends may call 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Thursday at the Birmingham Funeral Home, 438 Main St., Old Town. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated 10 a.m. Friday at Parish of the Resurrection, Holy Family Church, Old Town. Burial will be at St. Joseph Cemetery, Old Town. Immediately following the service, all are invited to return to the Parish Hall for a light luncheon and continued fellowship.

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## Clayton Prudent Landry

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*Freda, so sorry for your loss. You and Clayton were the first friends we made at Holy Family*

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### OBITUARY

# Catherine "Betty" Elizabeth Lebreton

JUNE 21, 1925 - OCTOBER 29, 2019



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Catherine Elizabeth "Betty" LeBretton MILFORD-Catherine Elizabeth "Betty" LeBretton, 94, died peacefully October 29, 2019 at an Orono health care facility. She was

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lovingly remembered as the social butterfly that she was. Betty was a wonderful cook and enjoyed baking for her family, making quilts and crafts. Family was important to Betty and she enjoyed the Christmas parties and the annual summer get togethers. She was also a very hardworking woman and was employed as a hand sewer in area shoe shops and later in her career worked in housekeeping at the University of Maine. While at Orono Commons, Betty enjoyed the socializing with other residents and playing Bingo. She was a past member of the Knights of Columbus Auxiliary. Betty is survived by two children; son Ronald LeBretton of Plymouth, MA and daughter Carol King and her husband Dan of Old Town; son-in-law Edward "Skip" Rosenbeck of Wilder, VT; ten grandchildren Matthew Stormann and his wife Bobbie, Tim King and his wife Tracy, Amy Kotz and her husband Corey, Aaron King and his wife Dawn, Jonathan LeBretton and his companion Becca, Jeffrey LeBretton and his wife Kathleen, Danielle King, James LeBretton and his wife Krystal, Nathan Rosenbeck, Jennifer Johnson and her husband Dana; 15 great grandchildren; beloved sister Gloria Boucher of Old Town; many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband Casper in 2008, daughter Deborah Rosenbeck in 2006, daughter-in-law Donna LeBretton in 2012 and a brother Patrick J. Burke. A Mass of Christian burial will be celebrated 10AM Wednesday November 6, 2019 at Parish of the Resurrection, Holy Family Church, Old Town. Burial will follow at St. Joseph Cemetery, Old Town. All are invited to return to the Parish hall for a light luncheon and continued fellowship. Memorial contributions may be made to the Parish of the Resurrection Building Fund 429 Main St Old Town 04468 or the Orono Commons Activity Fund 117 Bennoch Road Orono 04473

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### OBITUARY

# *Elizabeth G. Medeiros*

JUNE 18, 1935 - JULY 10, 2012



**E**lizabeth G. “Betty” (Thibodeau) Medeiros OLD TOWN—Elizabeth G. Medeiros, 77, died peacefully at home with family by her side July 10, 2012. She was born June 18, 1935 in Old Town a daughter of Henry J. and Louise M. (Bourque) Thibodeau. She was a 1953 graduate of Old Town High School and attended nursing school in Tewksbury, MA and worked as a nurse for 42 years. She is survived by two daughters; Lynne Woods of Milford and Robin Emery of Bradley; special niece Mary Ellen Kopp and “granddaughter” Lily Heskin Kopp; special lifelong family friends Gloria and Richard Boucher of Old Town; “adopted daughter” Julie Miller and family; numerous nieces and nephews. She is predeceased by her parents; two sisters Germaine Gabrelcik and Frances Kopp and a brother Henry “Pete” Thibodeau and her husband Anthony

Medeiros. Friends may call 6-8 Friday at the Birmingham Funeral Home 438 Main St Old Town. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated 10AM Saturday at Parish of the Resurrection, Holy Family Church, Old Town. Burial will follow at St. Joseph Cemetery Old Town. Immediately following the services, all are invited to a light luncheon and continued fellowship at the Parish Center. Memorial contributions to the Parish of the Resurrection Holy Family Church Building fund 429 Main St Old Town, ME 04468 or to Cancer Care of Maine c/o Eastern Maine Charities One Cumberland Place, Suite 300 Bangor, ME 04401 or visit [www.healthcarecharities.org](http://www.healthcarecharities.org) Notes of condolence may be left at [www.birminghamfuneralhome.com](http://www.birminghamfuneralhome.com)

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*Friday, July 13, 2012*

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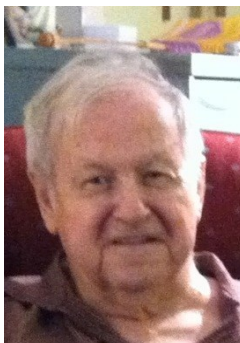
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### OBITUARY

# Albert Michaud

MAY 6, 1929 - NOVEMBER 28, 2014



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*PORTLAND – Albert Emmanuel Michaud, 85, died Friday, Nov. 28, 2014, at the Barron Center, with his loving family by his side.*

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**U** at his parents' home on Heald Street in Old Town. He attended St. Joseph's School, then Oblate Seminary in Bucksport for four years, starring as a center on the school hockey team. He enlisted in the United States Army in 1952, was assigned as a corporal to the Far East Command and served stationed in Japan during the Korean War.

In 1954, he married Rita England, who grew up a few houses away on Treat & Webster (aka French) Island in Old Town. The couple raised eight children at their home on South Brunswick Street, and celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary in May.

As a young man, Albert worked at Penobscot Shoe Company and became an expert hand-sewer of moccasins, a skill he demonstrated at the 1964/1965 New York World's Fair. After the shoe factory closed in the early 1970s he worked for more than 20 years at the University of Maine, retiring in 1993 as superintendent of the painting crew.

A skilled and versatile craftsman, he remained very active in retirement, always generous with his time and helping family members and others with home improvement projects. When his children were young he made them stilts, and moccasins at Christmas. For each of his grandchildren he made a small Adirondack chair.

Necessity and a lively mind fueled his ingenuity. He created an air-powered device that separated wild blueberries from leaves and twigs by blowing them across a sloped board covered in felt. He organized his children bucket-brigade fashion to bring into the house the heating-fuel firewood he had cut, hauled and split.

A true Maine outdoorsman, Albert loved hunting, fishing, boating and berry-picking and spending time in the woods year-round, especially at the Brandy Pond camp owned by his late nephew, Thomas Thornton. In May 1953 he qualified for the state's One That Didn't Get Away Club by catching a 15-pound togue at West Grand Lake.

Albert's devotion to his family included a great love of introducing his children and grandchildren to the wonders of Maine's outdoors. They cherish countless memories of expeditions shared with him - picking apples and berries, clamming at Thompson's Point every year, hiking in the woods, and exploring Echo, Schoodic and other lakes.

He was a fan of University of Maine hockey and football, loved growing tomatoes, and was known for his dry and mischievous sense of humor. Every Saturday night for more than 35

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Albert was a "good churchman" at Saint Joseph's Parish, where he and Rita were very active. He had been an altar boy and went on to serve on the parish council and as a Eucharistic minister. A gifted and powerful tenor, he graced many weddings, masses and funerals with his voice, and was honored to be asked to sing.

Albert was extremely proud of his French heritage. He was on the board of directors of, and a major contributor to, the Nos Histoires de L'lie project, a history of French Island and its families going back more than 200 years. The book was published in 1999, can be found at [www.old-town.me.us/nos/home.htm](http://www.old-town.me.us/nos/home.htm).

Albert was predeceased by his parents; brothers Benoit and Roger; sisters Rachel, Mariange, Adeline, and Doris; and grandson Brian.

He is survived by his wife, Rita, of Portland; sister Gloria Thornton, to whom he was very close, of Milford; brother John, of Bloomingburg, N.Y.; and eight children: John Michaud (Linda) of New Mexico; Audrey Rolfe (John) of Portland; Douglas Michaud of Brewer; Jane Obear (William) of Whately, Mass; William Michaud (Cheryl) of Hampden; Amy Adams (Ralph) of Portland; Paul Michaud of Windham, and Christopher Michaud (Regina) of Chaska, Minn.

Beloved as Pèpère, he is also survived by 12 grandchildren: Laila McCaskill (Gregory); Camden Moriarty; Austin and Anna Michaud; Tristan Rolfe; Samantha York; Benjamin and Ryan Adams; Jason, Christopher and Natalie Michaud; and by great-grandchildren Simone McCaskill and Jaxon York; and many nieces and nephews who were special to him.

The family thanks the Barron Center staff for their great kindness and caring service, and the many residents with whom Albert became friends.

Visiting hours will be held from 4-6 p.m. Monday, Dec. 8 at Birmingham Funeral Home, 438 Main St., Old Town. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 9, at St. Joseph's Church, (Holy Family Parish) at 429 Main St., Old Town. A reception will follow in the parish hall.

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**BELLA (RICHARD) NADEAU**

**OLD TOWN** - Bella (Richard) Nadeau, 90, passed away peacefully Tuesday, Aug. 19, 2003, at an Orono nursing facility. She was born in Jackman, April 4, 1913, daughter of the late Peter and Matilda (Godin) Richard.

Bella will be remembered for her beautiful ability to play the piano. She played for the silent movies at "The Strand," was music director and played the organ at St. Mary's Catholic Church, played in a band for various community dances, and was a member of the Sunshine Gals entertaining at area nursing homes. She was employed at Labree's Bakery and the University of Maine. She was a member of the Daughters of Isabella and enjoyed knitting and crocheting.

She is survived by a daughter, Noreen White and her husband, Harold, of Old Town; two grandchildren, Michael White and his wife, Susan, of Westchester, Pa., Karen Redman and her husband, Mark, of Waterville; five great-grandchildren, Barry Brown of Maryland, Jennifer White of Portland, Laura White of Westchester, Pa., Kayla Redman of Waterville, Matthew Redman of Waterville; special cousins, Verna Joy, Helen Young, Pam and Mike Oakes; special grandniece, Theresa Garrity; special friends, Paul Boucher, Annette Richard, Ruth Ann Shorette, Mary and Albert Martin, Goldie Spencer, Violette LePage, Norma Robertson, several nieces, nephews and cousins. She was predeceased by her parents and steplather, Frank Sirois; her husband, Pearley, in 1985; and a brother, Emery "Barney" Richard.

Friends may call 4-7 p.m. Friday, at the Birmingham Funeral Home, 438 Main St., Old Town, where members of the Daughters of Isabella will recite prayers at 6 p.m. A Mass





## Meledore Ouellette

May 12, 1915 - July 3, 2014

OLD TOWN - Our beautiful mother Meledore Marie Brillant Ouellette, 99, passed away in the presence of her family on Thursday, July 3, 2014. Meledore was born Wednesday, May 12, 1915 on French Island in Old Town, the daughter of William and Demerise (LeVasseur) Brillant. She married her childhood sweetheart, Maurice Ouellette on September 9, 1935.

Meledore's parents wanted to keep her close by, so they made their house into two apartments. When Meledore's mother passed away, the two apartments turned back in a one family dwelling. She continued to faithfully take care of her father, husband, and children. She was a strong and giving woman. She had a deep faith in the Catholic Church, and praying the rosary daily was an important part of her life. She had a great passion for planting flower and vegetable gardens. She loved open fields, especially wildflowers, butterflies, and picking strawberries on a cool summer day. Most of all, she loved her family deeply.

She was loved, and will be missed by her children and their spouses, Theresa Reynolds and her husband, Alan, Old Town; Thomas Ouellette, and his wife, Theresa, Bradley; Barbara Ouellette, and her husband, Jean, Old Town; Michael Ouellette and his wife, Kathleen, Old Town; Deborah Small and her husband, David, Old Town. She was also loved and treasured by her grandchildren, Alison Dufour and her husband, James, Old Town; Karen Thibault and her husband, David, Old Town; Susan Bagley and her husband, Ernest, South Portland; Harlan Small and his wife, Jessica Joy, Winterport; Jeff Ouellette, Old Town; Virginia Woodin, Old Town; Jessica Small and her wife, Perri, Dixmont; and Catherine Emerson and her husband, Kendall, Old Town. Her great-grandchildren were special to her and she was fondly called "Little Meme" by all of them, Stephanie Thibault, Old Town; Tyler Dufour, New York; Kate Ginish and her husband, Kirk, Hancock; Joshua Dufour, Old Town; Margaret Bagley, South Portland; Alexa Dufour, Old Town; Jonathan Bagley, South Portland and Samuel and Lily Woodin of Old Town. She has also left behind a niece, Elaine Pelletier who wrote to her frequently, nephews, Arthur and Robert Martin; Richard Ouellette, William and Richard Moore, and nephew, Bruce Moore who brought flowers to brighten her days. She was predeceased by her husband, her parents, brother, Romeo, sister, Eva Moore, and a very special friend and sister-in-law, Cecilia Martin. The family would like to thank the Meadows staff and residents for their compassion, and love they had for our mother. We appreciate and can't thank them enough for the wonderful support and care that was given to her and our family. She leaves a huge hole in our lives, but has earned a place of rest in Heaven with all that have gone before her. We love you Mama and miss you deeply. Adieu.

Relatives and friends are welcome to call 6-8 p.m. Monday, July 7 at Birmingham Funeral Home, 438 Main St., Old Town. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated 10 a.m. Tuesday at Parish of the Resurrection of the Lord, Holy Family Church, Old Town. Burial will follow at St. Joseph Cemetery, Old Town. Immediately following all services all are invited to return to the Parish Hall for a light luncheon and continued fellowship. In lieu of flowers, please consider donations to The Meadows, 110 Perkins Ave., Old Town, ME 04468. To plant a tree in memory of Meledore Ouellette, please visit [Tribute Store](#).



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### OBITUARY

# *Cecile M. Pietrowski*

JULY 5, 1925 - DECEMBER 11, 2012



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**O**LD TOWN - Cecile Marie Pietrowski, 87, died peacefully Dec. 11, 2012, at a Bangor health care facility. She was born July 5, 1925, in Old Town, a daughter of Clement and Irene (Messier) St. Louis. She was loving wife and mother. She was a member of Knit-Wits craft club, and enjoyed helping with the Franco-American history of French Island. She also participated in revitalization committee for Treat and Webster Island - French Island. She was employed many years as a waitress in

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enjoyed family gatherings and was the life of these gatherings. She is survived by her husband of 56 years, Francis "Frank" Pietrowski; five children, Linda (Commeau-Cox) Corson and her husband, Harold, of Old Town, Robert Commeau and his wife, Beverly (Cates) of Old Town, Richard Commeau and his special friend, Amy Corvino of Milford, Marie (Pietrowski) McPhail of Old Town and Paula Pietrowski and special friend, Kim Miller, of Old Town; nine grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren, three great-great-grandchildren; two brothers, Norman St. Louis of Bangor and Joseph St. Louis and his wife, Patricia, of Old Town; one sister, Yvonne Spinx and her husband, Donald, of Florida; many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by a sister, Priscilla St. Peter; a brother, Ronald St. Louis; a granddaughter, Laura McPhail; and son-in-law, John McPhail. A funeral service will be conducted 1 p.m. Friday at Birmingham Funeral Home, where friends and family may visit 11 a.m. until the time of service. Burial will be at St. Joseph Cemetery, Old Town. Immediately after the service, all are invited to the Holy Family Parish hall for a light luncheon and continued fellowship. Notes of condolence may be left at [www.birminghamfuneralhome.com](http://www.birminghamfuneralhome.com).

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*Cecile M. Pietrowski*

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# WALTER L. SIMON

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by **Contributed**  
September 25, 2008

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OLD TOWN – Walter L. Simon, 75, passed away unexpectedly Mon-day, May 24, 2004, at a Bangor Hospital. He was born Nov. 19, 1928, in Old Town, son of the late David and Eugenia (St. Pierre) Simon. Walter served active duty in the U.S. Air Force for one 1/2 years and went on to Civil Service in the Maine Air National Guard for 31 and 1/2 years retiring in 1983 at the Rank of Master Sergeant. He was currently employed with

Keith Trembley Builders. Walter was a faithful communicant and member of Holy Family Parish in Old Town. He was an active life member of Knights of Columbus Council No. 2537 and of Fourth Degree Assembly No. 0364 in Old Town. He faithfully served the councils Bingo program for many years and will be remembered for his hard work and dedication. He is survived and will be greatly missed by his loving wife of 48 years, Dolores; son, Gregory Simon and his wife, Patricia, of Enfield, Conn.; three grandchildren, Jessica, Jeffrey and David, all of Enfield, Conn.; sister, Pauline Rand of Old Town; brother, Randolph Seymour of Greenbush; brother, Robert Simon and his wife, Audrey, of Old Town; brother, Eugene Simon and his wife, Cora, of Old Town; several cousins, nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by a sister, Rose Cates; and a brother, Donald Simon. Friends may call 5-8 p.m. Thursday at the Birmingham Funeral Home, 438 Main St., Old Town, where the Old Town Knights of Columbus will conduct a prayer service at 7:30 p.m. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated 10 a.m. Friday at Holy Family Parish in Old Town, with the Rev. Normand Richard and Rev. Rudolph Leveille celebrants. Committal will be held immediately following the service at Forest Hill Cemetery in Old Town. Friends and family are invited to the Holy family Parish Hall following the burial for a luncheon and continued fellowship. In lieu of flowers, those who wish may send memorial contributions to the Holy Family Parish Building Fund, 429 Main St., Old Town, ME 04468. [www.dignitymemorial.com](http://www.dignitymemorial.com)





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# ESTELLE F. VOTER

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by **Contributed**  
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OLD TOWN and EDDINGTON – Estelle F. Voter, 96, wife of the late Edmund J. “Ben” Voter, died peacefully Dec. 17, 2003, at an Orono health care facility. She was born Feb. 20, 1907, in Old Town, a daughter of George S. and Josephine M. (St. Pierre) Lavoie. Estelle was a wonderful and caring person who shared many friendships. She was an excellent caregiver to her family and others. She enjoyed crocheting and knitting.

Mrs. Voter was the recipient of the Boston Post Cane for being the oldest citizen in Eddington. She is survived by a son, Donald Votuer and his wife, Pauline, of Eddington; six grandchildren, Robert Votuer of Ga., Diane DiSanto of Westfield, Mass., Michael Votuer and his wife, Christine, of Orrington, David Votuer and his fianc,, Carroll Donavon, of Bradley, James Votuer and his wife, Melissa, of Brentwood, N.H., and Deborah Farley and her husband, Shawn, of Cromwell, Conn.; nine great-grandchildren, Sean and Donald Votuer, Anthony DiSanto, Jenna Votuer, Ashley Votuer, Hannah and Christine Votuer, Cody and Ryan Farley; four great-great-grandchildren, Gage, Christopher, Taylor, and David; a sister, Claire Veilleux of Old Town; many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband, Ben, in 1980; and five brothers, Philip, George, Rudolph, Raoul, and Romeo Lavoie; five sisters, Ernestine LePage, Rose LeBlanc, Juliette Roy, Henrietta Taylor, and Alvine Michaud. Friends may call 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Friday at the Birmingham Funeral Home, 438 Main Street, Old Town. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated 10 a.m. Saturday with the Rev. Normand Richard, celebrant. Immediately following the mass all are invited to the Parish Center for a light luncheon and continued fellowship. Memorial donations may be made to the Holy Family Parish Building Fund, 429 Main Street, Old Town 04468. Spring interment will be at Forest Hill Cemetery, Old Town.  
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