

OBITUARIES – SSCS Alumni

Elvera LaGuardia Snyder, Class of 1931, of Bradenton, FL, died April 18, 2009, at age 95. She was born in Sharon Springs, the daughter of Donato and Margherita LaGuardia. She was the last of eleven siblings. She was predeceased by her husband Donald in 1994 and is survived by her daughter, Kathy Jarvis and her husband Rick of Ballston Spa, and two granddaughters. Memorial contributions may be made to Tidewell Hospice and Palliative Care, 5955 Rand Blvd, Sarasota, FL 34238.

William Wall Jr., Class of 1954, passed away on March 11, 2009. He lived in Marysville, WA. His parents William and Mildred Wall Sr. predeceased him. He is survived by his wife Patricia and brother Bob Wall '58 and sister Betty Donahue '61 both of Fort Plain. Full obituary - not available

Elorsa Marian Garrison, 83, of Hyde Park, passed away on February 17, 2009. She was the daughter of Florence and Edmund Moot. Mr. Moot was SSCS Principal during the 30s and Elorsa was with the **Class of 1943** during that time. She graduated from Johnson City High School and attended Cornell and Syracuse Universities. She is survived by her husband Charles "Bud" Garrison, daughter Yvonne Cole, son Eric, 5 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild. Elorsa loved gardening, knitting, politics and current events. Donations may be made to the American Cancer Society.

George (Greg) Zeller, Class of 1967, died Feb.16, 2009. Obituary not available

Arden H. Fonda, Class of 1949, died Jan. 24, 2009. He lived in Pueblo, CO. He was the son of Gerald and Emma Vanderwerker Fonda. Arden's wife Betty died on Feb. 11, 2009. He is survived by his children David Cooley of Pueblo, Gary Fonda of Maui, Hawaii, and Karen Fonda of Denver, CO, and his sister Geraldine Coville of Little Falls, NY. He served in the US Air Force during the Korean War and retired from the D&RGW Railroad. He was an avid ham radio operator. He also greatly enjoyed playing golf and fishing.

Robert S. Ullman, Class of 1944, passed away December 21, 2008 at his home in Sharon Springs after a brief illness. He was the son of Seth and Catherine Ullman. He worked for Agway for 30 years. He was a lifetime member of the North American Hunting Club and the National Rifle Assoc. of America. Survivors include his wife Elizabeth Empie '44, his sons Gary '65 (Susan Chichester '67) and Wayne '67, daughters Joyce Dornburgh '65, and Cynthia Edwards '67, brothers Carl '52 (Margaret Button '52) and Wesley '56 (Norma), and sisters Virginia Taylor '54 and Mary Lou Garrison '59, also six grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by his parents and brother, Arthur '48. Contributions in Bob's memory may be made to the Catskill Area Hospice of Cobleskill or the Marathon for a Better Life of Schoharie County.

Alton W. Madison, 86, formerly of Esperance, passed away on October 29, 2008, after a brief illness. He was the son of the late Scott and Elsie Cross Madison. He was raised in Sharon Springs, NY and was a graduate of **SSCS Class of 1941**. He served in the US Army and later served in the Merchant Marines during WWII. For many years he owned and operated Madison's Mobil Station in Esperance and was also employed as a mechanic assistant for the Schenectady Highway Dept. until his retirement in 1994. He was predeceased by his wife Barbara and his sons Donald and Willard Madison. He is survived by his daughters Phyllis Klingbeil and Luann Madison, and his son David Madison and their spouses; five grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren; a brother Raymond Madison and a sister Grace Lynk. Donations may be made to the Stroke Fund Northeast Assoc. 119 Arrow St. Schenectady, NY 12304, the American Cancer Society 260 Osborne Rd. Loudonville, NY 12211 or the American Diabetes Assoc. Albany Office 7 Washington Square Albany, NY 12205.

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Donald J. Lambert, 65, of Schenevus, passed away Friday, October 24, 2008. He was the son of Lionel and Anna Lambert. He was a graduate of **SSCS Class of 1961**. He worked as a truck driver for more than 20 years. After retiring, he delivered newspapers for the Amsterdam Recorder and the Oneonta Daily Star. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, and camping, and was an avid ham radio and CB operator. He is survived by his wife Mary; his children, Donald, Autumn, Timothy, Rebecca, Tammy, James and Beth; 19 grandchildren; brothers Ronald and Leroy; and sister Linda. He was predeceased by his parents; a brother Lionel, and a sister Pauline. Contributions may be made to Diabetes or National Kidney Foundation.

Robert E. Miller, 87, of Binghamton, passed away on Monday, October 6, 2008, at his home after a long illness. He was predeceased by his parents, Paul and Mary Miller; brothers, George and Edward Miller; sisters, Beatrice Black, Ann Limner, and Marie Devanney. He is survived by his beloved wife of 56 years, Margaret "Rita" (Marini) Miller, Binghamton; one son and daughter-in-law, Anthony and Sue Ellen (Serbin) Miller, Chenango Bridge; one daughter, Luann Miller, Hillsborough, N.J.; three grandchildren, Mary Rachel Miller and Elizabeth Ann Miller, Chenango Bridge, and Robert Miller, Hillsborough, N.J.; one sister, Kay Morello, Binghamton; also several nieces and nephews. He was a graduate of **SSCS Class of 1941**. Bob was an Army veteran of WWII serving in the European Theatre with the 88th Infantry Division. He was a retired employee of IBM in Owego, a member of St. Mary of the Assumption Church, and was an avid golfer and a loyal Yankee fan. Memorial contributions may be made to Lourdes Hospice, 4102 Old Vestal Rd., Vestal, NY 13850 or to St. Mary's Refurbishing Fund, 37 Fayette St., Binghamton, N.Y. 13901.

Randolph M. Eldredge, Cmdr. USN retired, 93, of Charleston, SC, died August 19, 2008, after an extended illness. Born in Sharon Springs, he was the son of Ralph W. and Hazel M. Eldredge. He was a graduate of the **SSCS Class of 1933**. He graduated from RPI with a degree in mechanical engineering. He entered the Navy in 1941 and served in the South Pacific and in Korea. He was a gentle, but strong-willed man of principle and set a fine example for his children. He is survived by sons Rodney and John Eldredge and daughter Gena Schultz, four grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

Jessica L. Barlow, 33, a lifelong resident of Sharon Springs, died April 15, 2008 at her residence after a long illness. She was the daughter of William and Donna Osterhoudt Barlow. She was a graduate of the **SSCS Class of 1993**. She graduated from Maria College in Albany in 1995 and was a licensed daycare provider. Survivors include her parents, a brother Jason Barlow of Central Bridge; a sister Rebecca Wilson of Schenectady; and her maternal grandparents, Howard and Nola Osterhoudt of Sharon Springs. The address for the family is Donna & William Barlow, 173 Union Street, Sharon Springs, NY 13459.

Mary Ann (Trafton) Schrom, Class of 1961, died April 10, 2008. She was the daughter of Wallace and Norma Trafton. She is survived by her former husband Roger, five children, fifteen grandchildren and three great-grandchildren, her sisters Joyce Lawyer '64, Sylvia Duda '63, Donna Loce '68, Cynthia Spicer, and her brothers Daniel and Gary. Mary Ann wrote lyrics to several songs with some being recorded. She was a professional cake decorator with one published on the cover of a cake magazine. She was also a talented painter. She was a sales representative for Ferrenics for over twenty years and worked for ARC for the past three years.

Elbert Hopkins, Class of 1937, died in 2007. Obituary not available

Joyce Janson Holmes, Class of 1933, died in 2004. Obituary not available