

George Griffin Jr.

George Griffin Jr. of Boyne City grew up on Mackinac Island, where he drove carriages and worked on the "head boats," passenger ferries, and at the golf course. He also served six years in the United States Coast Guard during World War II, and worked 50 years as a brick mason.

Mr. Griffin died at the age of 86 Friday, March 3, 2006, at his home in Boyne City. He was born July 9, 1919, on Mackinac Island, to George and Helen (nee Lapine) Griffin Sr.

He married the former Mildred Alene Scranton November 27, 1943, and she preceded him in death May 24, 1984. Mr. Griffin moved to Boyne City in 1985.

Mr. Griffin enjoyed fishing, hunting, camping, traveling to Florida, and boating.

He is survived by two children and their families, George and Roberta Griffin of Cape Coral, Florida, and Lynda Jane and Victor Specht of Alva, Florida; four grandchildren; four great-grandchildren, and his cousin, Pat Redmann of Boyne City.

In addition to his wife, he was also preceded in death by his parents, three brothers, Pete, Ted, and John Griffin, and two sisters, Ann Kamradt and Pauline Griffin.

Memorial donations can be made to the American Cancer Society.

Penzien Funeral Homes, Inc. of East Jordan assisted the family with arrangements.

James Keogh

James Benjamin Keogh, veteran of the U.S. Navy in World War II and of the U.S. Coast Guard during the Korean Conflict, passed away Thursday, March 16, in Panama City, Florida.

Mr. Keogh grew up in Chicago and spent summers on Mackinac Island, where his brother and family, Lawrence and Nancy Keogh, still maintain a cottage on the East Bluff.

In addition to his brother, he is survived by two sons, James and Michael, a daughter, Katharine, three grandchildren, a sister and her family, Lura and the late Mort Altshuler, and many nieces and nephews.

Mr. Keogh loved dogs, the water, and sailing, which led him to spend his retirement in Florida.

Graveside services were Saturday, March 25, at Mount Olivet Cemetery in Chicago.

In lieu of flowers, the family requested donations be made to the American Humane Society.

Arrangements were made by Beverly Ridge Funeral Home in Chicago.

OBITUARIES

Betty Moskwa

Betty Mae Moskwa of Ontonagon was a former employee of the United States government, working as a secretary to the Commanding Office, Military Intelligence Service Group, Far East in Tokyo, Japan, until 1952. She took the position after she was graduated in 1949 with a stenographer/secretarial degree from Green Bay Badger Business College in Green Bay, Wisconsin.

She frequently visited family on Mackinac Island, where her son and daughter-in-law, Steven and Patti Ann Moskwa live and operate Horn's Bar and Yankee Rebel Tavern.

Mrs. Moskwa died at the age of 77, Thursday afternoon, February 23, surrounded by family members, at the Ontonagon Memorial Hospital's Long Term Care Unit.

She was born May 10, 1928, in Matchwood, to Lorena (nee Lowe) and Don Johnson Sr.

She and her family also lived in Bruce Crossing and Ewen, and she was graduated from Ewen High School with the Class of 1945. Following high school, she attended Green Bay Badger Business College from 1947 to 1949.

Following her stint with the United States government in Tokyo, she returned to Michigan and began working

at the White Pine Copper Company in White Pine, in Ontonagon County. There she met Joseph S. Moskwa, and they were married May 8, 1954, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Ewen. They were married 51 years and have lived in Negaunee, L'Anse, and Ontonagon, since moving there in 1960.

For many years, Mrs. Moskwa provided for her family as a wife and mother, running a household of six children "with love and order," a family member said.

She returned to work in 1976, when she took a job with the Ontonagon County Friend of the Court office. She continued working there until her retirement in 1991.

Mrs. Moskwa was a devoted member of the Holy Family Catholic Church in Ontonagon and the Church Altar Guild. She was also a member of the Ontonagon County Historical Society and the Ladies Auxiliary of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5600.

She is survived by her husband of 51 years, Joseph Moskwa of Ontonagon; six children and their families, Steven and Patti Ann Moskwa of Mackinac Island, James Moskwa of Ann Arbor, Debra Martin of Three Rivers, Richard Moskwa of Red Wing, Minnesota, Linda and Paul

Hartlieb of DeWitt, and Daniel and Amy Moskwa of Goffstown, New Hampshire; eight grandchildren, Justin, Aaron, Gabriele, Whitney, Zachary, Jacob, Zoe, and Sayre; three siblings and their families, Don and Jane Johnson Jr. of Bruce Crossing, Ruth and Albert Niemi of Maupin, Oregon, and Roberta and Edward Daniels of Bruce Crossing, and many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Tuesday, February 28, at Holy Family Catholic Church of Ontonagon. Visitation, a rosary service, and luncheon also took place Monday, February 27 through Tuesday, February 28.

Pallbearers were Justin and Aaron Martin, Zachary and Jacob Moskwa, David Johnson, and Brian Daniels.

Spring burial will be in Holy Family Catholic Cemetery in Ontonagon.

The Memorial Chapel Funeral Homes of Hancock and Chassell are assisting the family with arrangements.

In lieu of donations, the family requests donations be made in Mrs. Moskwa's memory to Holy Family Catholic Church, 429 Michigan Avenue, Ontonagon 49953.

Frances Bachman Smith

Frances Bachman Smith of Austin, Texas, loved spending time on Mackinac Island, where she had spent every summer since she was a child. She was a 1933 graduate of Wellesley College in Massachusetts, and a junior member of Phi Beta Kappa, the nation's oldest and largest academic honor society. She received a Woodrow Wilson Prize in economics, and used her background in economics to work for a Kansas City bank, eventually rising to the rank of trust officer. She spent much of

her life in Kansas City and on Mackinac Island.

Mrs. Smith died at the age of 93 Monday, February 13, in Austin. She had been living at Westminster Manor in Austin.

She was born December of 1912, in Kansas City, Missouri, to Frances Smith Bachman and Emil Bachman.

She was graduated from Notre Dame de Slon High School in Kansas City, and went on to attend Wellesley College. Following graduation from college, she returned to Kansas City in the midst of the Great Depression, and worked various jobs. Her first job was at a soda fountain at Wolferman's Grocery in Kansas City.

Mrs. Smith had many interests, and is remembered by friends and family as a "knitter of consummate skill," and as an avid reader.

"In her wide reading, (she) was greatly devoted to Biblical studies in the context of the classical world," her son,

Reverend Ronald Smith said.

One of her favorite activities was walking in the woods, and family members recall she "was devoted to the beauty of the natural world." She was a member of Trinity Episcopal Church on Mackinac Island, and will be buried on the island, in the midst of the woods she loved.

Mrs. Smith is survived by two children and their families, The Reverend Ronald Smith of Austin, Texas and Melissa Elliott of La Jolla, California.

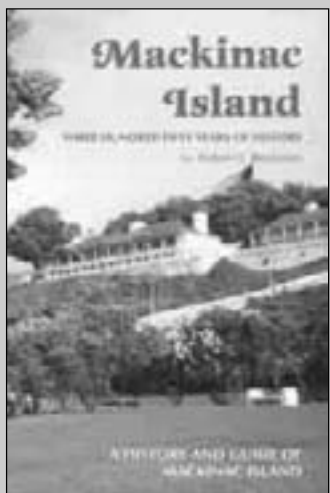
She was preceded in death by her husband, J. Neil Smith of Kansas City.

In lieu of flowers or gifts, the family requests that donations in her memory be made to the Institute for the Study of Antiquity and Christian Origins at the University of Texas, Waggener Hall 212 (C 3450), Austin, Texas 78712.

A memorial service and reception were held in Harris Bell Hall, at Westminster Manor Friday, February 17.

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