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We encourage electronic delivery of obituaries and any accompanying photos.

If desired, The Journal will e-mail or fax a proof of the obituary to the funeral home handling the service.

For more information, call Tammie Calder at 285-7411.

Shannon Morrison Earnest

It is with great sadness that the family of Shannon Morrison Earnest announce her passing Tuesday, Nov. 20, 2013, at Rainy Lake Medical Center.

She was born Dec. 18, 1973, in Lac La Croix First Nation to Albert and June Morrison.

She lived in Lac La Croix most of her life, moving to International Falls in 1998.

She enjoyed spending time with family and friends, especially her visits with her children and grandchildren.

Shannon also enjoyed Pow Wows and deer hunting.

Shannon leaves behind her children — Kayla Earnest, Brandon Earnest, Christine Ottertail (Brian), Jason Ottertail Jr., Felicia Morrison-Sadewasser, Dylan Sadewasser and Madison Sadewasser; grandchildren, Malik and Malizay; as well as numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and extended family; siblings — Dennis (Roseanne) Sr., Darlene, Roger, David (Arlene), Jeff (Crystal),



Sharon, Kimberly, Albert (Michelle) and JoyAnne (Dave); and partner, Mike Sadewasser.

She was predeceased by her parents; grandparents, Clara and George Ottertail, Ida Morrison and Gilbert Oshawe; and aunt, Janet Oshawe.

A wake was conducted Saturday, Nov. 23, at the Round House at Lac La Croix First Nation.

A traditional burial service followed Sunday, Nov. 24.

Pallbearers were Shannon's family and friends.

Irene Stella Jensen

Irene Stella Jensen, of International Falls, died Thursday, Dec. 12, 2013, at Rainy Lake Medical Center.

A complete obituary will be announced when arrange-

ments have been completed.

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Green-Larsen Mortuary Inc., International Falls, is in charge of arrangements.



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Marie Claire Dunbar, 84

The family of Marie announces the passing of their mother and grandmother, Tuesday, Dec. 10, 2013, at the Good Samaritan Society-International Falls.

Marie was born Aug. 7, 1929, to Oliver and Gladys Dandeneau.

She grew up in Fort Frances, Ontario, a proud "French Canadian."

She met the love of her life, Donald "Pink" Dunbar, through mutual friends and their relationship quickly grew. They were married Sept. 21, 1952.

Both Marie and Pinky had a love for Rainy Lake. They built a cabin together which she fondly referred to as "The Cathedral of the Pines." It's a spot still

enjoyed by the family today.

She was an amazing photographer and had a passion for taking scenic photos.

She was a painter and sketch artist and a member of the International Falls Art Club.

Marie was such a talented, hilarious person with a zest for life. She loved entertaining a crowd and telling jokes.

She was involved in Catholic Daughters for many years, where she wrote and acted in numerous skits along with designing the costumes.

She was also involved with "Young at Heart," a friend's musical group which entertained at various places in the Falls.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Donald "Pink" Dunbar; her sister, Marlene LaFreniere and brother-in-law, Adrian; and her brother, Bert Dandeneau and sister-in-law, Pat.

Left to cherish her memories is daughter, Melody Hensel and son-in-law, Steve of Littlefork; son, Jay Dunbar and daughter-in-law, Maritza of International Falls; along with grandchildren; son- and daughters-in-law; and many cherished great-grandchildren.

We will be celebrating Marie's life Friday, Dec. 20, with a visitation at 10 a.m., followed by the funeral at 11, at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church.



Interment will follow the funeral at Forest Hill Cemetery.

All are invited back to Aquinas Hall for a luncheon and fellowship.

Green-Larsen Mortuary Inc., International Falls, is in charge of arrangements.

Donald Gordian Haggstrom, 79

Donald Gordian Haggstrom, 79, of Big Falls, Minn., passed away Monday, Dec. 9, 2013, at Littlefork Care Center following a two-year battle with cancer.

Don, the youngest of five children was born July 15, 1934, to Adolph and Ethel (Fuder) Haggstrom in Maine Township, Ottertail County, Minn.

He was baptized and confirmed into the Lutheran faith in 1950 at the Amor Lutheran Church.

His parents owned and operated Shady Nook resort on Pickerel Lake near Amor, where he spent his early years farming and helping around the resort.

In 1970, he brought a load of wood "up North" loved the area and decided to make Big Falls his home.

He worked a short time at Manilla Mills, then started a 25-year "career" at Page & Hill Forest Products, hauling wood products over a five-state area and into Canada.

Even after retirement in 1996, he drove for four winters locally for Page & Hill and another winter for Knaeble Timber.

He was always happy with a steering wheel in his hand whether it was a truck, car, or pickup.

Hunting, especially ducks, was one of his passions. He was quite a "sharp

shooter" in getting ducks on the fly.

Until recent years, deer hunting the cabin brought great joy.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sisters, Marlys Godel and Audrey Gilbertson; and niece, Debbie Kanstrup.

He leaves his wife of 32 years, Colleen; brother, Dorwin of Jupiter, Fla.; sister, Myrna (Bud) Hanson of Weston, Mo.; step son, Steven (Jill) Johnson, Mankato; and 14 nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 14, at Big Falls Evangelical Covenant Church with Pastor Tom



Winkelman officiating.

Public viewing will be one hour prior to the service.

Carroll Funeral Home, Deer River, is in charge of arrangements.

Emelia Santine Pollard

Emelia Santine Pollard, of Modesto, Calif., (formerly of International Falls, Minn.), passed in her sleep Sunday, Dec. 8, 2013, at Stratford at Beyer Park in Modesto.

Her husband, Norman Pollard, preceded her March 15, 2008.

Emelia's family — Toni (Roy) Valley, Dennis (Gail) Pollard, Kathy (Dean) Lamb, Cindy Ledoux, Nor-

man B. (Norma) Pollard — as well as her 14 grand and 17 great-grandchildren, mourn her passing.

Emelia will be interred with her husband Norman T. Pollard in the Sacramento

Valley National Cemetery in the San Francisco area.

A memorial service is being planned at the Grace Lutheran Church of Modesto, Calif., the week of Jan. 12, 2014.

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