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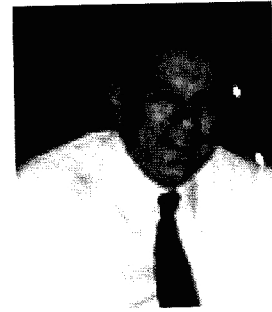
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A 50 YEAR PASSION, THANK YOU GEORGE

It was 1962. Man had yet to step on the moon. John Kennedy was in the White House and a young man returned home after serving his country in the U.S. Armed Forces. Serving in the military is about commitment, sacrifice and leadership. It is giving of oneself for a greater cause other than his own so others can have the same opportunities they've been privileged to enjoy.



Not long after returning home, it was time for the Kfeirian Reunion. Just one more since he attended his first one in 1947. However this year, by the end of the weekend, he'd been elected to the board of directors.

That young man in 1962 was George Hanna. Son of the late Moussa and Nazik Hanna. He would later meet and marry Gloria Price. They had two sons, Bruce and Greg and daughter Stephanie. Now it was time to plan for a future for his family, not just the next Labor Day Weekend.

As with many Kfeirians who take on the responsibility of the Reunion, there are family, careers, civic and religious obligations as well. With George, there has been one exceptional quality we want to focus on and honor at this time.

In a precedent at any level, George Hanna has served Kfeirians as a member the board of directors **without interruption** from that time in 1962. That's right, for 50 consecutive years, George has been a member of your board of directors. Serving along the way as your president, vice president, secretary, host chairman and most currently as treasurer. Always showing those qualities of commitment, sacrifice and leadership. And in continually giving of himself, let us never forget it has taken away time from Gloria, Bruce, Greg and Stephanie.

Like Johnny Carson, Seinfeld, M*A*S*H, and Bonanza, there comes a time to bring it to an end. George has decided his time is now. Time to pass the torch to the future and a legacy of enthusiasm and zeal for the Kfeirian Reunion.

When George thinks about it now, he wonders "where in the world did I find the time to it?" I have the answer George; long before Nike, you didn't think about it, you just did it. The Kfeirian Reunion has been your passion. You have given of yourself so others will have the same opportunity to know their Kfeirian heritage. Giving of your time away from your family so others will know of their own ancestors' commitment. A heritage we'll be celebrating this year at our 80th Kfeirian Reunion.

Thank you Gloria, Bruce, Greg and Stephanie for lending and often letting us steal George away from you for the last 50 years.

Thank you George for the same commitment, sacrifice and leadership you gave this country 50 years ago. Thank you for giving of yourself for this greater cause, the Kfeirian Reunion.

SEA, SAND, SUNSHINE AND THE 79th KFEIRIAN REUNION

Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. Like Grant marching through Georgia, Kfeirians took over this beautiful southern seaside resort for a wonderful and memorable 79th Kfeirian Reunion.

From a superb Friday night reception hosted by Thomas Bevin's and Dr. Carol Rahter all the way through to the Monday morning breakfast and a panoramic view of the Atlantic Ocean as our backdrop, it was a Labor Day Weekend to remember and cherish.

Only at a Reunion can the dubkie be danced to the Michael Jackson song, Billie Jean. Only at a Kfeirian Reunion can belly dancers make their entrance with candelabras on top of their heads and then "shake what they got" with George Hanna, Raymond Abraham, Jim and Kevin Donley and other Kfeirians of all ages throughout the crowd. Many thanks go to Joey Peck, Dr. Rita Hawarny and Kim Ruder for showing everyone their debuka talents by contributing to the music. And who would have ever believed that a group picture of almost 200 Kfeirians could be taken in less than 15 minutes! And all this was only Sunday night!

It is times like these where memories are created and shared over and over again at future reunions. Your board of trustees wants to thank everyone for making the 79th Reunion one of the best attended and most memorable in recent memory.

Let us never overlook that we celebrate a heritage that is second to none and the envy of many. Let us never forget we are always just one generation away of losing something that we all treasure. Let us not forget the memories of the past and to always value the accomplishments that have been made over the past 80 years.

As Kfeirians left Myrtle Beach for their homes with fresh memories of the 79th Kfeirian Reunion, plans were already being finalized for the 80th Kfeirian Reunion in Charleston, West Virginia, Labor Day Weekend 2012. See you there!!!

READER SHARES HER HATFIELD CONNECTION

After watching the Hatfield-McCoy saga, I am sharing my connection to the Hatfield side.

My father, grandmother and myself, were born in Logan County.

My grandmother, Lydia E. Browning Diamond, had a sister, Nancy, who married Cap Hatfield.

When my father was a young boy and a teenager, he spent time in the Hatfield home, with cousins.

He told me of the tricks Devil Anse would play on them.

My grandfather (paternal side) was a Church of Christ minister.

My grandmother told our family that granddad, Miles Kirk Diamond, was having services at a church near Williamson and invited the Hatfields to come. The McCoys found out and opened fire in the church. She said my grandfather got hit by a McCoy and she got my father and some younger children under a table.

She told us granddad did not condone the fighting and killing, and preached it was wrong, that it was against God.

But they believed an eye for an eye.

It was told that when Devil Anse was baptized, it was my grandfather who did it.

I have no proof of that, except my grandfather was known as a circuit riding minister all over Logan County.

My dad said that as Devil Anse grew older, he had become mellow and liked to read the Bible often and enjoyed playing tricks on the cousins and family members.

My dad was 23 when Anse died, and my dad lived to be 99 years old.

E. Lois Diamond-Thabet - Lois is the wife of Rev. David Thabet - Huntington, West Virginia

EVERYONE RAISING THEIR GLASSES IN A TOAST TO RICHARD TWEEL'S 80TH BIRTHDAY

Congratulations to RICHARD TWEEL on his 80th Birthday - MAY 25, 2012

What a fun party we had at Richard Tweel's 80th Birthday celebration held at the Marshall Hall of Fame Café in Huntington, WV on May 27, 2012.

Richard's aunt, Jeanette Bolus of Huntington, was the ring leader in organizing the party. And Richard's out of town relatives, not wanting to miss the event, all descended on Huntington for the celebration and included his brother and sister-in-law, Danny and Joely Tweel of Hilton Head, SC; Richard's aunt, Catherine Bolus from Bethesda, MD; Richard's cousins, Nadia and Michael El-Hage, from Potomac, MD, and Denise Bolus from Bethesda, MD, and Richard's cousin Andrea Bolus (John Bolus, her husband, was out of the country) and her sons Jonathan and Christian Bolus of Reston, VA. In addition, numerous friends came out to join his family in celebrating this very special birthday. Richard seemed overwhelmed by the crowd.



(RICHARD TWEEL IN CENTER)



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Richard's aunts, Jeanette and Catherine Bolus



Joely, BIG RICHARD and brother Danny Tweel



Richard is loved by numerous friends and family who came to help celebrate or ROAST HIM, we can't remember!



The night before, a small group gathered for dinner and celebrated Joely Tweel who graduated Summa Cum Laude with her Bachelor's Degree in Psychology from the University of South Carolina!! Joely intends to pursue her Masters this Fall.

TIDBITS



Who is this little guy????
Why, this is Quentin Hanna trying to look like his daddy Greg Hanna. Mommy Jamie LaFear Hanna thought that was real cute.



Joseph and John-Paul Hajj sitting with Jiddi Joseh Al Hajj in Kfeir

HI DEAR ONES,

I remember clearly the day the photograph below was taken. I might have been five and my sister Lorraine almost seven.

I was so excited to see the pony and when my mother asked if I wanted to have a photo on the pony. I was beside myself with excitement.. You can see I was acting the cowboy hero really cool.

The hat I wore belonged to the photographer.

The photo was taken in Williamson (WV) in the alley directly across from our house on Dickinson Street. I knew about cowboys because the kids of Williamson always flocked to the Saturday morning movies to see a cowboy feature film.

Hi, ho, Silver, away we go!
Abe Bassett



Marriages /Engagements



STACY NICHOLE RAHALL & SHAWN JACOB HARMON

Bride's Parents Michael & Donna Rahall
Groom's Family: His sisters, Teresa & Nina
Fayetteville 10.22.11

Stacy is a Fayetteville native, where she owns Gorge-ous Hair Designs. Shawn is a contract laborer from Dixie. The weekend-long celebration kicked off Thursday night with Dirty Ernie's ribs, then fun, games, and a watch-party cookout catered by Joey & George's on Friday with the West Virginia University vs. Syracuse game and bonfires for s'mores. The newlyweds had a three-tiered, 100-pound tree cake with their initials carved into the trunk and adorned with edible fall leaves, acorns, and fondant mushrooms. The topper was a chocolate birds nest with eggs and handcrafted lovebirds; the base was a large tree round. Stacy and Shawn honeymooned on Caribbean island of Grenada



ELIZABETH ALYNE LAROSE & PHILIP ANDREW CASSIS

Charleston 7.16.11
Bride's Parents: Terry & Janice Hoffman,
and the late John Steven LeRose
Groom's Parents: Dr. Bruce & Mrs. Eva Cassis

Elizabeth, from Summersville, is a teacher at Morgantown High School. Philip, from Fayetteville, is a real estate title examiner at Derow Enterprises. Elizabeth and Philip's siblings (three girls and five boys) served as the wedding party, and the bride's nieces and nephews served as flower girls and ring bearers. Elizabeth's oldest brother gave her away. Elizabeth and Philip enjoyed a seven-day southern Caribbean cruise for their honeymoon.



TAMMY AND MARSHALL SCOTT

Tammy Sadd had known Marshall for a very long time. In October 2010, Marshall asked Tammy for a date, wined & dined her at an exclusive restaurant in Atlanta GA. Love was in the air; Marshall wasted no time and proposed to Tammy in January 2011 and they were married in August 2011

Tammy is the daughter of Jameel Sadd and the late Louise Hanna Sadd.

...And they lived happily ever after. God bless you both.



EMILY FAYE LITTLE AND DANIEL JOSEPH CASSIS are excited to announce their engagement and upcoming wedding on October 27, 2012.

Daniel is currently a second year resident at Temple University in Philadelphia, PA.

Emily is currently practicing dentistry outside of Baton Rouge, La. Daniel proposed to Emily on December 30, 2011. We are anxious to be in the same city again and begin our lives together.

Births

*We are pleased to announce that
Carter is a big brother!*



Colton Michael Thabet born on June 6, 2012 at 11:26 a.m., 8 lbs. 5 oz. 20 inches. The proud parents are Jen and Phil Thabet, and proud the proud grandparents are Charlie and Layla Thabet.

WANTED



Has anyone seen the people in these people? Some have not been seen in 30 years. There is a **REWARD** on their heads. Bring them and their children with you to the 80th Kfeirian Family Reunion so their children can meet and have a lot of fun with their cousins.

Anniversaries/Birthdays

50th Wedding Anniversary



George N. Hodge and Wanda J. Hodge were united in marriage May 21, 1962, in Barboursville, W.Va.

He is retired from Huntington Alloys, and she worked outside the home but was more importantly a mother and homemaker. They reside in Cape Coral, Fla., and have two daughters and two grandchildren. They are celebrating with a family trip to Treasure Island, Fla., in June.



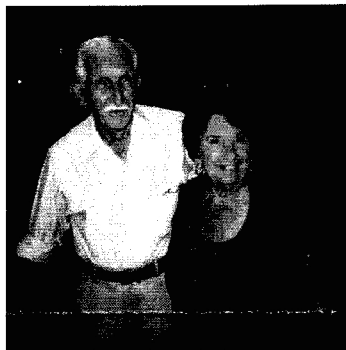
45th Wedding Anniversary

George and Gloria Price Hanna celebrated their 45th Wedding Anniversary June 10, 2012 at St. George Greek Orthodox Church with their church community.

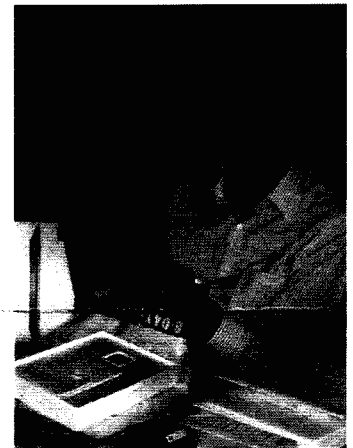
George and Gloria were married June 11, 1967 at St. George Greek Orthodox Church, Huntington, West Virginia.

Gloria and George have three children; Bruce Hanna of Atlanta, GA; Stephanie and son-in-law, Bashir Adili of Mt. Pleasant, SC; Greg, and daughter-in-law Jamie LaFear Hanna of Huntington, WV.

Greg and Jamie have three children; Quentin (7), Nathan (5), and Reagan (3). Sittee and Jiddee just love babysitting, and playing with the kids



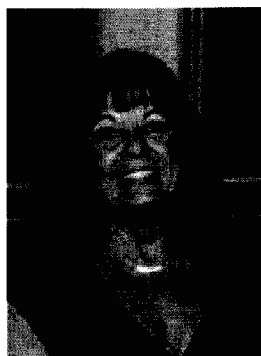
HARRY CANTEES - Dad turned 96 on May 29th of this year. He is a vibrant young 96 with a wonderful sense of humor! Dad enjoys being with family more than anything, taking photographs (always has his camera with him), downloading them on his computer and printing them himself. Dad's new hobby is teaching himself piano on his new



digital piano he recently purchased. He and Mom make kibbie, Syrian bread, and kousa together. He is the official kousa cleaner-outer!!

Most indicative of Harry Cantee's "young at heart" mentality is the fact that he asked for an iPad for his 96th birthday! He's already taking pictures and figuring out how to download and print them from his iPad! Let us all take a lesson from Harry. **NEXT HE'LL WANT TO PARACHUTE OUT OF A PLANE? Blessings!**

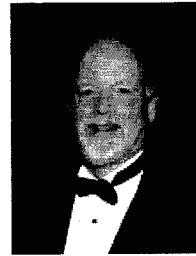
Accomplishments



Sandy Mickel Ruder of Richmond, VA, school nurse at Hermitage HS in Henrico, VA, was honored at the 2011 Kfeirian Reunion for her actions in saving the life of a student who stopped breathing due to a heart defect. Her immediate response and excellent outcome has earned her many wonderful recognitions including Life Saver Award - American Heart Association 2012, 2011-2012 School Nurse of the Year for Henrico Co. Public Schools, as well as honors from her school, the Police Department and Fire Department. Sandy is currently serving as a spokesperson for the American Heart Association.



Grant Mickel Ruder of Arlington, VA, son of Kim and Sandy Mickel Ruder was promoted to the position of Associate with Highline Wealth Management of Rockville, MD in January 2012.



John Parrish, PhD, husband of Sherry Mickel Parrish of Ellicott City, MD was named Vice President for Strategic Partnerships for the Alliance for Aging Research in Washington, DC in May 2012.



Shannon Parrish (20), rising Junior at University of Maryland – College Park, MD, daughter of John and Sherry Mickel Parrish spent the winter term in Belfast, Dublin and Galway, Ireland studying the “Peace” process and is currently interning as a research assistant in the FMRI Lab at UMCP this summer.

Obituaries



Abe Cantees of Williamson, W. Va. passed away on June 26, 2011. He was born on September 13, 1911. Abe was the son of the late Joseph Cantees who came to Williamson from Lebanon in 1899. Three years later he returned to Lebanon to marry Helen Mickel and together they returned to Williamson to begin a new life.

Abe was preceded in death by his wife Hazel Dawhare Cantees as well as all nine of his siblings, brothers Saber and Robert Tanel Cantees and six sisters, Esma Cantees, Rose Stuart, Louise Farmer, Josephine Eubanks, Alice Cantees and Catherine Dixon.

In 1929, Joseph Cantees opened Cantees Department Store where all the children were active in the family business for the next seven decades before closing the doors in 1999. It was a time in the 20th Century when many Williamson businesses were owned by Kfeirian

families.

Abe was a Past President of the Kfeirian Reunion Foundation and Past Host City Chairman of the annual Reunion that is held each Labor Day Weekend. He was also very active in many Williamson civic associations. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II having been wounded in France. Abe credited a Gideon Bible in his pocket with saving his life when it deflected a piece of shrapnel from an exploding shell away from his heart into his wrist.

He is survived by his four children, Joseph Cantees of Altamonte Springs, FL, Ron Cantees of Lexington, KY, Betty (Louis) Kawaja of Lexington, KY and Mary Lou (Sam) Clymer of Nicholasville, KY, grandchildren, a great grandchild and many nephews and nieces.

ELAINE RAMEY BOWERS, 65, of Beckley, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, July 3, 2012, at the home of her sister, Kathy Zaferatos, following a 16-month battle with lung cancer. Born June 27, 1947, in Beckley to the late Ramez Ramey and Madeline Michael Ramey.

Elaine graduated from Woodrow Wilson High School in 1965 and also from the IBM Institute in Charleston, WV. She was also employed at Beckley Manufacturing before becoming a domestic engineer and mother. Elaine was most proud of her family and lived her life for them. She was an avid bridge player who has achieved the Silver Life Master award through the ACBL. She was also a member at The In-Between Bridge Club in Florida. Other hobbies through the years have included collecting camels, craft making, going to the theater with friends, jet skiing, volunteering at an animal rescue facility, and traveling to as many places she could go. In addition to her parents she is preceded in death by a sister Ruth Jamra.

Those left to cherish her memory include her husband of 37 years and high school sweetheart Rich Bowers; daughters, Sherry Scott and husband Rich, and Shannon Dittlinger and husband Tim all from Jacksonville, NC; granddaughters whom she was very proud of and brought joy to her life, Halie, Victoria, and Madeline; sisters, Jean Herrmann and Kathy Zaferatos; five nieces, Tanya, Deitra, Laura, Kristy, and Amy; nephew Dino; great-niece Sarah and a great-nephew Jacob, and an anticipated great-nephew this fall.

Services for Elaine will be conducted at 10:30 a.m. Monday, July 9, 2012, at St. Nicholas Orthodox Church on South Heber Street in Beckley with The Very Reverend Father Samuel Haddad commencing. Interment will follow at Blue Ridge Memorial Gardens in Prosperity.

Obituaries



ESMA MARY KAYS (nee Khoury) 1921--2008 : died peacefully on September 23,2008 at age 87 years (surrounded by her three daughters) in Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, Canada .Esma had suffered a massive stroke in March,2007 . Esma was born in El-Kfeir to Abraham and Helweh (Rahall) Khoury .In 1939 she married Saied (Sam)Nicola Kays (El-Ghouz) who was already a citizen and resident of Canada for 17 years, and she moved to PEI that year.They had three daughters: Hazel Woodley of Ottawa,Canada , and Doreen and Diane Kays of Charlottetown. Esma was predeceased by her husband Saied who died in 1977 ;as well as her parents and five sisters in Lebanon . Besides her three daughters,she is survived by one granddaughter Susan and one great grandson Griffyn Sam; sister Nahie Khoury of Beirut.;sister Georgette (Farid)Nasser and niece Sandra of Indianapolis,Indiana; nephews Louis (Wanda) Coury of Sarasota,Florida; Chafie (Wadad) Rahme and Karam (Royda) El-Marji of Ottawa,Canada ; and numerous nieces and nephews in Lebanon .

Esma was a niece of the late Nick Rahall Sr. of Beckley,West Virginia and visited him in W.V. and Florida In the early 1970's Esma and Saied attended and thoroughly enjoyed a Kfeirian Reunion and Esma reconnected with a childhood friend , Shumla Bassett ,of Michigan ,and the two corresponded for over 30 years

until Shumla's death.

Esma took great pride in telling anyone that she was born in El-Kfeir, and equal pride in being a Canadian for 69 years. At the time of her death she was considered the "matriarach"of the Lebanese community in Charlottetown ,as she was the oldest living member of the original group of Lebanese immigrants . As the two- year anniversary of her passing approaches, she is greatly missed by her family and many friends .



Alice Rutherforddale - Sacramento resident Alice Tamam Bassett Rutherforddale died on April 16, 2011, of congestive heart failure. She was born on October 11, 1921, in Williamson, West Virginia, the fourth of six children. Her parents had both emigrated from Kfeir, Lebanon, and Alice was fluent in Arabic. While at Williamson High School, Alice was a member of the marching band and an excellent student, even while working evenings in her father's confectionary store. Alice graduated with a B.A. from Marshall College, taught music for a year in Cassopolis, Michigan, and learned to fly a plane, all before completing a Master of Music at the University of Michigan in 1944. That year Alice joined the Women Army Corps (WAC) and served as a cryptographer at the US Army Signal Intelligence Service at Arlington Hall in Virginia. While stationed there she met John Wiley Rutherforddale Jr (Jack), whom she married in 1946. The couple moved to California in 1947 and settled in Los Altos, California, where they raised five children. They divorced in 1974. Alice continued to live in Los Altos until 2008, when she moved to Sacramento to be closer to family. While there she enjoyed attending weekly classical concerts, playing bridge, doing daily puzzles, and spending time with family. She will be remembered for her positive and gentle nature and her sharp mind, despite suffering from untreated schizophrenia. She was preceded in death by her parents Abraham Joseph Bassett and Rahija Saad Bassett; sisters Gladys Parlette and Waded Bofysil; son Larry Rutherforddale; and former husband Jack. Alice is survived by sisters Selma Edinger of Columbus, Ohio, and Lorraine Scott of Palo Alto, California; brother Abe Bassett of Dayton, Ohio; daughters Nancy (Tom) Griffith of Sacramento; Martha (Axel) de La Soujeole of Fairview, Texas; Jan (Jeff Bush) Rutherforddale of Juneau, Alaska; son Jay (Sydney) Rutherforddale of Sacramento; 14 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and 11 nieces and nephews. A Celebration of Life will be held at 11:00 a.m. Sunday, May 29 at Sierra 2 Center, 2791 24th Street, Sacramento.

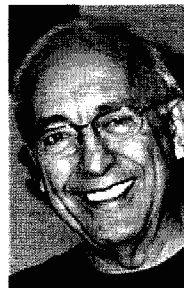


ALEXANDER J. MICKEL (88) of Richmond, VA, (formerly of Williamson, WV) died gently May 17, 2011 and was inurned together with his wife Nadine at Arlington National Cemetery. Alex is the brother of Mitchell Mickel (deceased), Gloria Mickel Bevins and Fred Mickel of Williamson, WV. Daughters Sherry Mickel Parrish and Sandy Mickel Ruder thank the many family members and friends who were a great part of celebrating their lives.



NORMA JEAN ABORIZK HAMBERGER, 75, of St. Petersburg, died Sunday, September 11, 2011, at St Anthony's Hospital. Born in Huntington, WVA, she came here in 1964.

She was a graduate of St. Petersburg College where she received her A.S. Degree in Nursing and was a registered surgical nurse at St. Anthony's Hospital for 45 years. She was Christian and attended Hyde Park United Methodist Church and also helped to serve meals to the homeless. She loved to hike and run as well as many forms of exercise and was a member of the Carolina Hiking Club. Norma loved the Lord with all of her heart and she had a heart of gold.



DR. RAYMOND RICHARD SAHLEY, a prominent Plantation, Fla., dentist, born February 19, 1930, died September 13, 2011, after a prolonged illness. Dr. Sahley practiced dentistry in Plantation for 34 years. He was the WV Dental Director and practiced privately before moving to Florida. He graduated from Charleston High School, Marshall University and the University of Maryland Dental School. Dr. Sahley served in the U.S.A.F. during the Korean War.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 50 years, Jacqueline "Jackie" Wolford-Sahley of Plantation; two sons, Chad Sahley (Beth) and Josh Sahley (Julie); grandchildren, Jakob and Jordan of the Los Angeles, Calif., area; and two sisters, Margaret George and Evelyn Cassis, both of West Virginia. The service will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, September 23, at Calvary Chapel, Fort Lauderdale, Fla. Pastor Eric Purtic will be officiating.

"Doc, you finally hit the BIG trifecta in the sky (The Father, Son, and Holy Spirit)."



MARY "FRANCES" ZEGEER, 84, of Charleston passed away on Friday, September 23, 2011 at Dunbar Care and Rehabilitation Center after a long illness. She was a homemaker and a lifelong resident of Charleston. She worked alongside her husband, Harry, for over 30 years in Zegeer Hardware Store, which they owned and operated for several years. She was well known for selling flowers out of the hardware store. Frances attended Marshall University where she studied nutrition to become a dietitian. She also attended Morris Harvey College. She was a member of Club 21 and the St. George Orthodox Shums'il Bir. Frances was a member of St. George Orthodox Cathedral Church and loved her church. Frances was very active in her church and taught Sunday school for many years. She also served as superintendent. During World War II she ran the McCarus Grill in Charleston with her father, Nasseph, while her brothers served in the service.

Frances loved life and lived it to the fullest. She loved to travel. She traveled the world, including Europe and the Holy Lands. She was a very giving person. Frances loved people. She loved preparing meals for her family and making and decorating cakes. She also enjoyed the culture arts.

Frances was preceded in death by both parents, Nasseph and Della Sadd McCarus, and two brothers, Mitchell and Edward McCarus. She is survived by her loving husband of 57 years, Harry S. Zegeer of Charleston; three sons, Dr. John (Sharon) Zegeer, Paul Zegeer and Richard (Julie) Zegeer, all of Charleston; one daughter, Rebecca Ann Zegeer of New York; one sister, Norma Harris of Ann Arbor, Mich.; two brothers, Ernest McCarus of Ann Arbor, Mich., and Ramus McCarus of Baltimore, Md.; and four loving grandchildren, Elias, Andrew, Devon and Joshua.

Funeral Service will be 11 a.m. Tuesday, September 27, 2011 at St. George Orthodox Cathedral with the Rev. Father Stephen J. De Young Jr. officiating. Burial will follow in Sunset Memorial Park, South Charleston.

Visitation will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday evening at Barlow-Bonsall Funeral Home, with a trisagion prayer service at 7:30 p.m. with the Very Rev. Father Olof Scott officiating.



VENICE SAAD of Boston, Mass., formerly of Huntington, fell asleep in the Lord on May 10, 2012, after a long and courageous battle with cancer. She was born in Beirut, Lebanon and immigrated to the United States. Venice was a graduate of Jesuit University of Beirut and of Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and worked as a pharmacist in both Huntington, W.Va., and Boston, Mass. Her father, Ayoub Saad, preceded her in death. Left to cherish her memory are her mother Rose Saad of Huntington; her brother Toufic and his wife Sandra and daughter Madison, of Paintsville, Ky.; and brother Tony of Beirut, Lebanon. Additionally, many aunts, uncles and cousins mourn her passing. The family will receive friends on Monday, May 14, from 6 to 8 p.m. at Holy Spirit Orthodox Church, 1 Woodhaven Dr., Huntington. Trisagion Prayers for the Departed will be offered at 7:30 p.m. The funeral service will begin at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, May 15, at the church. Entombment will follow at Woodmere Memorial Park. The family would like to express its deepest appreciation to the many nurses and physicians who supported Venice in her struggle in her illness, and especially to the staff of the Yale Hospital of New Haven, Conn., who offered healing and comfort to her and her family during the last weeks of her life. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Holy Spirit Orthodox Church.

BARBARA ABORIZK | Visit Guest Book



ABORIZK Barbara "Barb" 72 of Tampa died on 2012 at Carroll-wood Care Center. Barb was born in Huntington, WV. she was a member of Idlewild Baptist Church. She was a 9 gallon blood donor. Barbara is survived by her husband of 57 years Donald "Don" of Tampa, Children Dawnelle Rodriguez (AJ) of Tampa, Joe of Tampa, Rhonda Stevens (Tim) of Tampa and Rob (Angela) of Zephyrhills. 2 Sisters Drema Slay of MS and Kay Truitt of Christmas, FL. 11 Grandchildren and 4 Great Grandchildren. The family will receive friends on Wednesday, January 25th from 12:00 p.m. until

service time at 1:00 p.m. at Idlewild Baptist Church 18371 N. Dale Mabry Hwy. Lutz, FL. The interment and committal service will take place at Chapel Hill Gardens. Dade City.

MR. DONALD CHARLES UNSWORTH, age 78 of Charlton Street, Rome died Monday evening following a brief illness.

A memorial service will be held Friday, 1 p.m. in the Thomas b. Griffin Memorial Chapel of Daniel's Funeral Home with Rev. Bert Brooks officiating. The family will receive friends Thursday evening from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. at other hours they may be contacted at the residence.

NELSON ANSARAH, 82 years old, passed away suddenly January 6, 2012. Survived by loving wife Norma Ammar Ansarah, sons Fernando Ansarah, Gilberto Ammar Ansarah, daughter Ana Christina Ansarah Varela and 3 grandchildren, Joao Haddad Ansarah, Gabriel Ansarah Varela, Lia Ansarah Varela and Cleo Ansarah Varela, all of Brasil.



ADEEB GEORGE SADD, 1932-2011 - An Amazing legacy was left behind by the passing of our husband, father, grandfather, brother and friend. Adeeb served overseas in the U.S. Army as a First Lieutenant; earned a JD; built a prosperous real estate development business. He served on the Archdioceses Board as trustees as well as local parish councils in Los Angeles; was a co-founder of St. Michael Antiochian Orthodox Church in Van Nuys, CA. His greatest accomplishment, however occurred when he drove his white '61 Buick from Toledo to Los Angeles with \$100 in his pocket in pursuit of Carolyn Jean Thabet. The two were married in St. Nicholas Cathedral in 1962, followed by the births of their three daughters, Chrise, Carrie and Leilah. *Memory eternal, Adeeb ibn Jurius. Love, Carolyn, Chrise, Carrie, Leilah, Daniel, John, George, Gabriella, Charlotte, and Jameel.*

ELI A. BASSETT, 1928 - 2011 Jr., 83, formerly of Huntington died Saturday, August 20, 2011 in Frankfurt, Germany after a brief illness. He was born on April 22, 1928 in Welch, W.V. the son of the late Eli and Najla Bassett. In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by his brothers; Clement and Luther Bassett. Eli graduated from West Virginia University with a bachelor and masters degree. He also received hi JD from Yale Law School and a masters in law from the New York University. He was a veteran of the US Army having served in the Korean War. He was a retired University of Maryland (European Division) professor who will be remembered by colleagues and students for his dedication, keen wit and zest for life. Eli's family are grateful for his admirable qualities of compassion, kindness and simplicity. Eli is survived by two nieces and their families. The family will receive friends at the Reger Funeral Home, 1242 Adams Avenue, Huntington, W.V. from 10:30-11:30 am on Saturday, October 22 followed by graveside services at noon in Spring Hill Cemtery with military rites.