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OBITUARIES/FROM PAGE ONE

**Priscilla A. Audia**

RYE — Priscilla Ann (Pratt) Audia, 75, died Wednesday, Nov. 27, 2013, at her home in Rye, surrounded by her loved ones.



and Francesca Marie of Stratham, and her mother, Cynthia Plumer Audia of Laconia; her sisters, Jane Oubre and her husband, Paul, of East Aurora, N.Y., and Susan Jo Mayer and her husband, Douglas, of Northport, Maine; many nieces, nephews and their children, whom she loved very much; as well as numerous friends of her children whom she gathered and nurtured over the years and who still call her "Mom."

She was born Oct. 27, 1938, at Millard Fillmore Hospital, Buffalo, N.Y., and was raised in East Aurora, N.Y.

She was a daughter of Dorothy M. (Schultz) and George W. Pratt.

She is survived by her husband, Samuel Audia; their four devoted children, Barbara Jane Audia and her husband, Dennis Ward, of Germantown, Md., Jeffrey M. Audia of Los Alamos, N.M., Timothy J. Audia and Lynn Raughtigan of Stratham, and Jennifer Ann and her husband, Kirk Peloquin, of Somersworth; her three grandchildren, Michael A. Pearce (Anna Kusmierz) of Washington, D.C., Steven R. Pearce (Kristal Lam) of Germantown,

and her brother, U.S. Navy Senior Chief Petty Officer James G. Pratt, of Washington, D.C.

SERVICES: A memorial service will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 11, at St. James Church on Lafayette Road, Portsmouth. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations to the Wounded Warrior Project.

**Elizabeth F. Townsend**

FREMONT — Elizabeth F. "Betty" Townsend, 87, died Nov. 30, 2013, at the Rockingham County Nursing Home in Brentwood.



daughter-in-law Allan and Sherry Townsend of Fremont, and son Gary Townsend of Danvers, Mass.; nine grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; a sister, Jenny (Rock) Bond of Newfields; and several nieces and nephews.

She was born Nov. 11, 1926, in Kingston, daughter of the late Leonard and Eva (Pero) Rock.

Betty grew up in Kingston and was the youngest of six children. She was a graduate of the Sanborn Seminary. In 1948, Betty married Andrew L. Townsend, and they were longtime residents of Fremont.

Betty worked in bookkeeping and was employed by several local area businesses.

She was a former member of the Brentwood Baptist Church.

Betty was an avid reader and enjoyed doing counted cross-stitching. Her family fondly remembers her delicious pie-making ability.

Betty is survived by son and

several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband, and her daughter, Pauly Palen, who died May 21, 2013.

SERVICES: There are no calling hours. A funeral service will be held at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 5, at the Brewitt Funeral Home, 9 Pleasant St., Epping. Burial will be in the Newfields (Rockingham) Cemetery, Newfields. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her memory to the National Lung Cancer Partnership, 1 Point Place, Suite 200, Madison, WI 53719. For information, visit [www.brewittfuneralhome.com](http://www.brewittfuneralhome.com).

**Mary S. Blanchette**

BAKERSFIELD, Calif. — Mrs. Mary S. Blanchette, 74, died Friday, Nov. 22, 2013, from complications of emphysema, at Mercy Hospital, Bakersfield.

Mary was born April 22, 1939, in Providence, R.I., to Gordon and Viola (Hodgkinson) Hoyt. She was raised in Rhode Island.

Mary married Edward Blanchette in 1962. She was a longtime resident of Portsmouth, N.H., and raised her children there until moving to Wakefield, N.H., and later Saco, Maine. Mary raised seven children on her own after she was widowed in 1977. In her later life, she lived with her daughter, Annemarie Paul, in Bakersfield.

Mary was involved in her church and enjoyed quilting and reading.

Mary was a gentle person who was beloved by many. She was like a surrogate mother to many as her children were growing up.

She is survived by her children, Edward, Kathleen, Patrick, Joan, Annemarie and Gregory; as well as 14 grandchildren and her dog, Chulo.

She was predeceased by her parents; husband Edward; daughter Kimberly; son Hoyt; grandson Sean; sister Myrtle; and brother Gordon.

SERVICES: There will not be any services or visitation at this time. In accordance with her wishes, Mary will be cremated and her ashes will be scattered off the coast of New Hampshire in a celebration of her life in a private ceremony at a later date.

**Edna M. Greenleaf**

PORTSMOUTH — Edna Mae Greenleaf, 90, passed away peacefully Sunday, Dec. 1, 2013, at the Oceanside Nursing Home in Hampton.

Born May 17, 1923, in Bridgeport, Conn., she was the daughter of Edward and Helen (Gafney) Gallagher and was a longtime resident of Portsmouth.

Edna was a member of Corpus Christi Parish. She was very proud of her Irish heritage.

The widow of Roy Greenleaf Jr., who died in 1990, survivors include her son, Roy Greenleaf III and his wife, Pamela, of Gonic; grandsons Christian Hummel of Virginia, Shane Greenleaf of Colorado, and stepgrandson

Richard Goldman of Ohio; great-grandchildren Devon, Danielle, Dakota, Asher and Annalee; and her dear friend Angie Twombly, her husband, Ike, and daughter Lauren of North Hampton.

SERVICES: Visiting hours will be held from 4 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 4, at the Farrell Funeral Home, 684 State St., Portsmouth. A Mass of Christian burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 5, at the Immaculate Conception Church, 98 Summer St., Portsmouth.

Burial will follow in Calvary Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Ancient Order of Hibernians, Division 1, P.O. Box 3521, Manchester, NH 03105.

**Elizabeth Shamrell**

TUCSON, Ariz. — Elizabeth "Doe" Shamrell died peacefully Wednesday, Nov. 20, 2013, in Tucson.

Doe was born July 3, 1909, in Portsmouth, N.H. She was the youngest of seven children of Elizabeth (Scott) and Daniel O'Brien. She was brought up in the Creek neighborhood, attending local schools.

In the early 1930s, she met and married Anthony "Tony" Shamrell. They had two sons, Richard and William. Both

sons grew up in Portsmouth and were educated in the Portsmouth schools.

Years later, Tony and Doe moved to southern California to be nearer to their sons and families. After her husband's death, Doe moved to Tucson, where some members of her family had settled.

Besides her two sons, Doe is survived by eight grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

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tory, then giving the patients saline solution in the syringes he had infected with hepatitis C.

Dressed in a light-colored jail uniform that read "Strafford County Department of Corrections," Kwiatkowski blamed his actions on being addicted to alcohol and opiates, and insisted he is a "good person."

"I listened to you guys and I'm truly sorry for what I have done," Kwiatkowski, 34, said after he stood from his chair at the defense table and turned to address the victims and the families in the courtroom.

The dark-haired defendant said he had tried to sober up, but he could "never stay clean."

"I know how much pain and suffering I caused," Kwiatkowski said. Before sitting back down, he also apologized to his former co-workers at Exeter Hospital, where had worked as a traveling medical technician.

Prosecutors had asked that LePlante impose a 40-year federal prison sentence, while defense attorneys asked for 30 years. LePlante noted that Kwiatkowski's actions had not only harmed the victims and their families, but also "undermined the public's trust in the medical system."

After announcing his sentence, LePlante read the names of Kwiatkowski's 45 victims, including Eleanor Murphy from Kansas, "who died as a result of your crimes."

Victims and their families from New Hampshire, Kansas and Maryland testified about the effect that being infected with hepatitis C has had on their lives. Investigators also identified a victim in Pennsylvania.

Jean Burke said her husband, Richard, was infected while receiving treatment at Exeter Hospital.

"The people you affected are real," Burke said. "We are suffering. We have families. We are not just faceless statistics."

Paul Levine, a U.S. Army veteran who also was treated at Exeter Hospital, said he contracted hepatitis C at age 48 and has been living with the disease for almost two years. Like other victims, Levine talked about the stigma that the diagnosis carries with it.

"I'm treated like a leper by

people I've known for 30 to 40 years," he said.

Levine recalled a recent incident where a cut he suffered earlier in the day started bleeding while on a trip to a grocery store.

He was walking down an aisle with his wife and before he knew it, "there was a puddle of blood" on the floor.

He quietly told a worker he had been infected with hepatitis C at Exeter Hospital and the worker yelled out, "Don't go down the potato aisle, it's contaminated with hep C."

Levine turned toward Kwiatkowski, who sat near all the victims as they stood and testified in the middle of the packed courtroom and said, "You are junk, you are garbage."

Linda Thompson, whose husband contracted the disease while being treated at Exeter Hospital, said he was too sick to appear in court to face Kwiatkowski.

She said her husband now distrusts "the medical field," and she told Kwiatkowski he had "made sick people sicker" by choosing to steal their painkillers to fuel his addiction.

Thompson said she recently learned she, too, has hepatitis C "because I loved and cared for my husband."

David Holley, who contracted hepatitis C at Exeter Hospital, said the disease has affected him 24 hours a day for the past 23 months.

He remembered how the pain medication he was supposed to receive during a medical treatment — which Kwiatkowski stole and replaced with saline solution instead — "never seemed to be effective at all."

A course of therapy treatment he was receiving failed and he had to discontinue it, and he told the courtroom about an incident on April 1 when he suffered "a massive bleed-out of my liver due to hep C."

"My concern is I will cope with this for the remainder of my life," the 56-year-old said.

His wife, Deborah Holley, submitted a letter to the court saying that she tells her friends about her husband's condition, then lets them decide whether they still want to visit her.

"Some do and some don't," she wrote in the letter.

Assistant U.S. Attorney John Farley read a letter written to the court by Dean Emory, a 62-year-old who contracted hepatitis C at Exeter Hospital.

In the letter, Emory said the infection caused by Kwiatkowski has "robbed me of my precious time with my family and friends."

Emory said the disease has left him in so much pain at times, "I wish that I would just die so it would stop."

Linwood Nelson, a 92-year-old from Baltimore, Md., who was infected at Johns Hopkins Hospital by Kwiatkowski, told the court he joined the military after John F. Kennedy was killed.

"I decided I wanted to serve my country anywhere I was needed," he said.

Nelson served in Vietnam without being injured, only to contract hepatitis C at the hospital, he said, "not knowing it was going to be friendly fire that injured me."

Nelson said the disease has left him worried that "my liver will stop functioning at any time."

His son, Linwood Nelson Jr., also a combat veteran, broke down and cried when he talked about how his father wouldn't hug his daughter anymore because he feared infecting her.

"My dad can barely make

a month now without being hospitalized," Nelson Jr. said as he began crying while his father patted his back.

Kathleen Murray of Maryland talked about how Kwiatkowski infected her mother while she was receiving treatment at Johns Hopkins.

"You got a plea bargain; Mom got a life sentence," Murray said.

Ronnie Murphy traveled from western Kansas to testify about how his mother had died after contracting hepatitis C from a syringe Kwiatkowski infected.

The defendant's conduct was "particularly heinous given his occupation as a health care worker," Murphy said.

He recalled a "great mother, grandmother and great-grandmother."

Murphy said she was a simple woman who enjoyed watching "newborn calves crawling in the pasture."

"The manner in which my mother died is hard for me to accept," Murphy said, then he sat back down in the packed courtroom pews, took off his glasses and wiped tears from his eyes.

Before the victims and their families testified, prosecutor Farley implored LePlante to hand down a 40-year sentence.

"We have 45 people that have a disease that could be fatal and even if it is not fatal, it's changed their lives," Farley said.

He told the judge that Kwiatkowski confessed to committing drug swaps, which left his patients without painkillers, then either exposed or infected them with hepatitis C "100 or more times."

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