FUNERAL NOTICES

Angelus CHAPEL
FUNERAL DIRECTORS, INC.
1102 East Evans
Pueblo • (719) 544-4368
2535 Airport Rd.
Colorado Springs • (719) 391-1918
www.angeluschapel.com

Muriel S. Kallick. Funeral service, 2 p.m. today, Angelus Chapel. Rabbi Robert Saunders will officiate. Interment will follow at B'nai Jacob Cemetery.

Facundo Alonzo Ortiz, 74, affectionately known as "Al," passed away on Feb. 1, 2008. Arrangements pending. Mr. Ortiz's family will receive friends at 1527 E. 11th Street.

Elease M. Peak, 87. The



greatest grandmother, mother, sister and friend, the kindest human being ever known, passed away on Jan. 26, 2008, in Denver, Colo. She was born on Oct. 4, 1920, in Pueblo, to the union of Horace and Annabelle (Smith) Peak. She was the youngest of 13 brothers and sisters, who now are all deceased; to include her husband, William R. Meekins Sr. She is survived by her children, Shirley A. Meekins and Bill R. Meekins Jr.; as well as four foster grandchildren, Gary Johnson, Patsy Clark, Dean Hamlett and Stella Vasquez; to include foster grandchildren and great-grandchildren, who she loved dearly, and considered them as her own. Elease is loving known as "Granny" by three grandchildren, Caprece Byrd, Bryant Watts and Chivannie Meekins. She is respectfully known by their children as "GGP" Great Granny Peak; five great-grandchildren, Channie Hart, Quinci Byrd, Marcellus Watts, Cory Henry and Gabrella Watts; one great-grandchild, Matthew Johnson Jr. During her life, Elease was an active member and attendee of St. Paul First AME Church. A member of the American Legion Lady Auxiliary, James H. McNeal Post No. 163, and an Eastern Star. She will be lovingly remembered for her countless acts of kindness, batches of tea cakes, phenomenal lemon me-

Romero Family Funeral Home
110 Cleveland • 583-1313 • Pueblo
Alamosa • Monte Vista • Antonito • San Luis

Louis J. Vigil





Louis J. Vigil, 85, of Pueblo, went to be with the Lord on Jan. 31, 2008. Preceded in death by his wives, Alcarita Vigil and Agnes Vigil; great-great-granddaughter, Jaidyn Medina; and sister, Sally Gallegos. Survived by his children, Gloria Saldana, Mary Lou Toth, Cynthia (Gene) Trujillo and Patty (Jerry) Smith; grandchildren, Diana Casaus, Danette (Paul Hudran) Gomez, Janal (Anton Bailey) Medina, Daniel (Patty) Garcia, Carisa (Sam) Spangler, Audrey (Jerod) Robles, Brandon (Destiny) Trujillo and Taylor Smith; 14 great grandchildren; seven great-great-grandchildren; sister, Cecilia Hidalgo, Hooker, Okla; and numerous nieces, nephews, relatives and friends. Viewing, 2 to 6 p.m. Monday, with vigil service to follow at Romero Chapel. Funeral service, 10 a.m. Tuesday, Romero Chapel. Interment, Roselawn Cemetery. Family and friends will be received at Romero Courtesy Hall following both services. Military honors by the Pueblo Veterans Ritual Team.

Holt Family funeral home & crematory
806 MACON
275-4113
Fremont County's only Crematory

Gordon O. LaDuke. Please note change for the location of the visitation and funeral services. Gordon O. LaDuke, 85, of La Junta, Colo., passed away on Jan. 30, 2008. Visitation, 4 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 5, 2008, Holt Family Funeral Home, Canon City, Colo. Funeral service, 11 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 6, 2008, Holt Family Funeral Home, Canon City, Colo. Interment will follow at Mountain Vale Memorial Park.

Dignity
TJ McCarthy FUNERAL HOME
Since 1887
329 Goodnight Ave. • Pueblo, CO
543-5611

Tony Bacino





Tony Bacino, born May 15, 1918, to Vincenzo and Cologera Bacino in Pueblo, and passed away on Jan. 29, 2008, in Pueblo. Preceded in death by Vincenzo and Cologera; as well as his brothers, Ben, Karl, Sam and Blackie; his sisters, Betty Bacino, Mary Zancanella, Josephine Carnelli and Rose Benfatti. He is survived by his wife, Kathy; nephews, Charles, Jim and Father Ben Bacino; as well as his sister Josephine's children, and his sister Rose's grandchildren. Tony is the last of his Sicilian immigrant parents' children; he is the last of George McCarthy's "paper boys," and he is the last of his squad of the 32nd Division, 126th Infantry, Company D, that fought in the Buna Campaign in Papua New Guinea during WWII. Home from the war, he helped his brothers run the J.C. Tavern for several years; but in 1963, he started a driving school that he operated until just a few years ago. He never even considered retiring; but an anaphylactic reaction to a prescription medicine changed his life dramatically, and he was never able to work again. During the good years, Tony and his wife built a home on "Goat Hill" across the street where his parents raised him and his brothers and sisters. During the 46 years he and Kathy were married, they traveled all over the world. He continued the winemaking tradition his father taught him, and made his "Dago Red" up until just last year. He took great pride in being able to take care of his older brothers and sisters in their old age. Tony carried

FUNERAL NOTICES

Gene R. Ciruli, 90, born on Jan. 19, 1918, passed away on Jan. 28, 2008. He was preceded in death by his parents, Floyd and Nellie Ciruli; sisters, Christine Walker, Dorothy Tuttoilmondo and Betty Deakins. Survived by his loving wife of 46 years, Romona; children, Pamela, Daryl and Renee' Ciruli; stepson, Rob Pike; grandchildren, Stephen, Gordon and Cynthia; three great-grandchildren, Joshua, Evan and Meairah; sister, Donna (Leo) Moreschini; special nephew, Raymond; and nieces, Rhonda and RaeDeane (Shane); and other relatives and numerous friends. Gene served during WWII in the Army in the South Pacific. Memorial Mass, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 5, 2008, St. Joseph Catholic Church.



Patsy Gersick, age 80, was called to her heavenly home on Jan. 30, 2008, while visiting family in Lancaster, Pa. Born at home to Steve and Mary Monack on Jan. 5, 1928, Patsy graduated at age 16 from Pueblo Catholic High School. She lovingly spent much of her teenage and young adulthood working at her father's business, Banquet Bakery, at its original location on Union Avenue. Patsy was an accomplished self-taught cake decorator and throughout her life created remarkable cakes that graced many weddings, birthdays, school parties, and other celebrations. She was preceded in death by her husband of 50 years, Joe Gersick; her son-in-law, Leroy Esquibel; her brother, Stephen Monack; and her sister, Rosemary Skubal. Joe and Patsy spent 45 years on their dairy farm east of Pueblo, raising children, spoiling grandkids, working hard and living well. Affectionately named Meemaw by her seven grandkids, she was a wonderful cook and time spent with her was always treasured. She was renowned for her Peach Honey" and