

# Obituaries

## Anna K. Shepard

Final rites for Anna K. Shepard, 65, a resident of Harbor City for the past 16 years, were held Tuesday in Gamby's Chapel, with the Rev. Eldon Durham officiating.

All of her 11 children were present for the funeral, with her seven sons, acting as pallbearers.

A native of Omaha, Neb., she lived at 1628 W. 253rd St. Burial was in Green Hills.

She is survived by her husband, James; sons, Delbert, Charles W., both of Harbor City; Harold L., Wallace R., both of Lomita; Deane A., of Torrance; Theodore E., of Lincoln Village; and James W., of Dominguez; daughters, Evelyn F. Eade, of Omaha, Neb.; Louise B. Richins, of Bakersfield; Betty L. Tutthill, of Riviera; and Virginia A. Davis, of Dominguez; brothers, Charles Lausten, of San Gabriel; Harry Lausten, of Omaha; sisters, Mayne O'Mara, Gertrude Kuehl, both of Omaha; Hazel Smith, of Chicago; and Rose Johnson, of Detroit; and 28 grandchildren.

Morton DeMoss; daughter, Mrs. Sylvia McDonald; Mrs. Frances Woodworth, all of Osborne; Mrs. Edith Heisz, of Agora, Kan.; Lala DeMoss, of Shreveport, La.; and several grandchildren.

## Francis R. Towell

Funeral services for Francis Raymond Towell, 57, of 1832 W. 203rd St., will be held at 2 p.m. today in Stone and Myers Chapel, with the Rev. C. M. Northrup officiating. He died Sunday.

A resident of Torrance for the past six years, he was born in Arborville, Neb. He was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Burial will be in Inglewood Park Cemetery.

He is survived by his widow, Belva; sisters, Jeannette Hagland, of Paradise, and Alice Pine, of Glendale; and a brother, Marshall E. Towell, of Denver, Colo.

## Bernice Barton

Services for Bernice Frances Barton, 43, of 29230 New Hampshire, were held Tuesday in the Nativity Catholic Church, with the Rev. P. J. McGuinness officiating. She died Sunday.

A Los Angeles native, she was a housewife, and member of the Catholic Church. Rosary was recited Monday night at Stone and Myers Chapel. Burial was in Holy Cross Cemetery.

She is survived by her husband, Clyde; son, James Clyde Barton; daughter, Rosemary Ann Barton, all of Torrance; brothers, William H. and Theodore DuBois, both of Cuervo City; and a sister, Mrs. Marie Grellak, of Los Angeles.

## Burdette R. Schroeder

Tuesday rites were held for Burdette R. Schroeder, 56, a resident of Torrance for 30 years, at the Nativity Catholic Church, with the Rev. P. J. McGuinness officiating. He died Saturday.

An employee of the Felker Manufacturing Co., he was born in South Dakota. He lived at 912 Arlington Ave.

Rosary was cited Monday in Stone and Myers Chapel. Burial was in Holy Cross Cemetery.

He is survived by his widow, Josephine; son, John, of Long Beach; and daughter Norinne Wagner, of Los Altos.

## Group Plans Play in May

Actors, technical staff, and committee chairmen for the first "ACCENT" Theater production, "The Night of January 16," were introduced at the monthly meeting of the group at the home of President Henry Heinlein.

Tickets for the production, to be given the first two week ends in May, are now on sale at Parrish Stationers, Joyce and the YWCA. This is the first professional play given by a local group in Torrance. Membership is open to all interested in theater work.

Refreshments were served.

## Adelia Dudley

The Rev. Gene Rodgers officiated at final rites for Adelia Dudley, 63, a resident of Lomita for the past 28 years. Services were held Monday in Gamby's Chapel.

A native of Texas, she lived at 24629 Moon Ave., Lomita. She died Thursday. Burial was in Green Hills.

Her husband, Henry Dudley, died last September.

She is survived by five daughters, Elsie Dudley, Alta Sealles, both of Lomita; Ruby Calhoun, of San Pedro; Alice Ash, of Harbor City; Betty Jean Inel, of Santa Ana; five sons, Harry, Al, Jack, all of Torrance; Willis, of Santa Ana; and James of Lomita; 24 grandchildren; 11 great grandchildren; sisters, Beulah Ash, of Albany, Tex.; and Mary Rose, of El Cajon; and a brother, John, of Hugo, Okla.

## Eva Carolyn Paxton

Monday services were held for Eva Carolyn Paxton, 87, of 716 Anapola Ave., in Stone and Myers Chapel, with the Rev. John L. Taylor, officiating. She died Saturday.

A native of Ohio, she had lived in Torrance for 14 years. Burial was in Loveland, Colo.

She is survived by two sons, Russell M., of Torrance, and Willson B. Paxton, of Gardena.

## Lee Leslie DeMoss

Monday services for Lee Leslie DeMoss, 74, father of Mrs. Vera McKnight, were held at White and Day Colonial Chapel, with the Rev. Kenneth Doctor officiating. He died Sunday.

He died at the home of his daughter at 459 Via Castellana, where he had been visiting for the past four months.

A retired farmer, he was born at Osborne, Kan., and had lived there before visiting here. He was a member of the Methodist Church. He was buried in Kansas.

He is also survived by a son.



## SIX MORE YEARS... Leroy 'Dutch' Stecker

chief quartermaster now assigned to the Santa Barbara Navy Recruiting office, recently enlisted for six more years, after 16 years of active service. A 1939 graduate of Torrance High School, he is the son of Mrs. Mary Towler, of 1828 Andro Ave. He has received 16 decorations for service during World War II and the Korean War. He now lives at 3123 Bath St. in Santa Barbara with his wife and daughter, Diana Lee, 8.



## PTA GIFTS ACCEPTED

Two gifts from PTA groups at elementary schools were accepted by the Torrance Board of Education Tuesday night, while another gift was declined. A mobile library unit for use at Madonna School, donated by the PTA, was accepted by the board.

Blackout curtains for Perry School also donated by the school PTA, were also accepted. They will be used in classrooms, since the recent condemnation of the school auditorium by the Fire Marshal.

At the same time, the board suggested that the Torrance Elementary School PTA not donate choir robes for the school glee club because of the difficulties of maintenance.

## Christian Science Lecture Set Tuesday

E. Edward Hooper, of St. Louis, Mo., will discuss application of the spiritual understanding of God as a practical basis for peace, health, and success in daily living in a Redondo Beach lecture Tuesday.

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## Pair Facing Dope Charge

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The pair, Thomas Rankin, 56, of 2001 W.164th St., and Mrs. Ebba Irwin, of San Pedro, will enter a plea on April 25. They were arrested in Mrs. Irwin's home last March 4, where police said more than \$20,000 in raw opium was found.

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