

Arias, Dr. Jorge, died on Friday, September 12, 2014. He received numerous accolades and dozens of honors and award in the field of entomology, including 14 insect species named in his honor. The Pan American Health Organization too him to Panama, Brazil, Venezuela and the USA.

Lee M. Banks, died on Wednesday, June 14, 2014. He was formerly of Coco Solo and attended Cristobal High School.

Bennett, Williams L., died on Saturday, August 30, 2014. He graduated from Balboa HS and Canal Zone College Jr. College. He worked as a Senior Lock Master at the Miraflores Locks retiring in 1991, after 34 years of service.

Corrigan, Eugenia (Gene) (McLain), died on Tuesday, August 26, 2014. She moved to Panama at the age of 2 with her parents. She graduated from CHS in 1931. After graduation she started working at the Cristobal Library, from there she worked a several different jobs. She eventually started working on the “other side” and made the commute for several years, later moving to Cocoli in 1968 until she retired.

Davison, Alvera “Vera”, died on Tuesday, October 28, 2015. She lived 31 years in the Panama Canal Zone for 31 years. She was the secretary of the Cristobal Union Church before teaching in U.S. Government schools for 20 years. She was active with the Girl and Cub Scouts, DeMolay, Rainbows and Eastern Star. Vera was a member of the Panama Canal Society.

Egger, Dorothy Jean (Andrews), died on Friday, March 21, 2014. She moved from Panama to Ocala in 1974. She was a pilot, hunter a diver and enjoyed boating swimming and the beach.

Gilbert, John Frederick, died on Wednesday October 15, 2015. He started working for the Canal Zone Police Force in 1950. He served the Force until his retirement as Assistant District Police Commander with the rank of Captain, in June 1976.

Jacobs, Alice Elizabeth, died on Tuesday, August 26, 2014. She and her husband Ronald Jacobs made their home in the Panama Canal Zone for 20 years working in Civil Service for the Panama Canal Company.

King, Anna Jacobs, died on Monday, August 25, 2014. She joined the United States Army Nurses Corp as a 2nd Lieutenant and served as a nurse during the Korean War. Following her husband’s death in 1969, she lived in Guam and Panama.

Lavigne, Gerald “Jerry”, died on Sunday, August 10, 2014. He worked in the Canal Zone as an Industrial Engineer with the Executive Planning Staff for seven years during the late 60’s and early 70’s.

Lees, Roland Joseph, Jr., 76, died on Wednesday, October 15, 2014. His family moved to Panama Canal Zone where he and his sister Bernadette lived out their

childhood. Mr. Lees went to Cristobal High School and graduated in 55. In 1965 he married Patricia Stang and honeymooned in Panama. Mr. Lee was a member of the Panama Canal Society.

Norton, Joe Arthur, died on Wednesday, October 8, 2014. He and his wife Ella moved to Panama in 1963 to work in the Canal Zone Schools. During the next twenty-two years, he became the Social Studies Department Head, and enjoyed teaching thousands of BHS students. He retired in 1985.

Shear, Gerard K., died on Tuesday, August 5, 2014. He re-enlisted in the service in 1946, in the Army Air Corps as a Sergeant. He served in the USAF at France AFB and Howard AFB. At the end of his enlistment, he switch over to the US Air Force Reserve and went to work for the Canal Zone Postal Service as a Postal Trainee. After nine years in the post office, he transferred to the Panama Canal Company Administrative Services Division. He was employed in the Panama Canal Zone for 29 years. He was a member of the Panama Canal Society.

Scott, Frank Wardlaw, died in September 2014. He was educated in Colon and graduated from CHS. After Graduation he went to Flight School in Texas and became a pilot for KLM. He returned to Panama several years later and joined his father and Robert Wilcox in their various business ventures.

Shirley, James R., died on Wednesday, October 1, 2014. He went to Panama in 1939 and worked initially as a contractor for U.S./Military before transferring as an employee of the Panama Canal Company. He retired from the PCC in 1977 as Chief of Community Services Division. He was known for many years as the housing manager/superintendent of both the Atlantic and Pacific sides of the Isthmus.

Strepp, Terry A., died on Wednesday October 8, 2014. His family formed to the Panama Canal Zone where he and his brother and sister grew up. He graduated from BHS in 1963. He received his J. D. degree from the University of Florida. He made the JAG Corps a career, retiring from the U. S. Army.

Thomas, Lois Marie (Kridle), died on Thursday, May 15, 2014. She and her family moved to Panama at a young age where she settled in and grew up as a Zonian. She married Bud (Hugh) Thomas in 1951. She worked for the Customs Administration until her retirement in 1977. She moved to the U.S. where she remained quite active with the Panama Canal Society in Dothan, Alabama and they held monthly luncheons.

Webb, Mariana Cecilia, died on Tuesday, April 22, 2014. She was a devoted mother, aunt, sister, grandmother and actively volunteered. Her husband Robert (Bob) worked for the Pedro Miguel Locks.

White, Patrick, died on Wednesday, October 29, 2014. He was born in Panama and came to the United States with his mother and sister in 1968. He was born with

disabilities and did not finish High School, completing the eleventh grade. During the past two years he took courses to get his GED but could not pass algebra. He worked as a Janitor. Patrick was a true Lamb of God, without negativity, anger or ill will.

Beverly Chan Williams, 86, died Saturday, August 16, 2014. She was born in Panama, and attended Canal Zone Schools. She graduated Balboa High School class of 1949. In 1978 she was instrumental in transferring a copy of the Panama Collection to the Library of Congress in 1978. She retired as Chief Librarian.