Captain **John Lawry Brophy**, 88, took the late jitney to Fiddler's Green on February 12, 2016. He was a Canal Pilot from 1967-1988. John was a member of the Boston Marine Society and the Harness Racing Association. He was a 32nd degree Mason, a member of the Abou Saad Temple in Panama, Royal Order of Jesters and a 50-year member of the Siloam Lodge of Fairfield. John was an avid golfer and Patriots Fan.

Newton D. Cranmer, 78, passed away February 4, 2016, in Plantation, Fla. He began his teaching career with the Troy Area School District and retired following 20 years of teaching for the Department of Defense in Panama. He was a former Diablo ES 6th grade teacher.

Juan Miguel Cazorla, 46, passed away in his sleep on February 9, 2016, in Los Angeles, Calif. He was a former resident of Balboa and a graduate of Balboa High School.

Richard Howard Crowell Jr., age 71, of Blairsville, Ga., passed away peacefully at his home surrounded by his loving family on April 19, 2016, following an extended illness. He moved with his family to the Canal Zone in Panama when he was seven years old. Richard attended schools in the Canal Zone and was active in the Sea Scouts. He participated in the Cayuca Races. Richard graduated in 1964 from Admiral Farragut Academy, in St. Petersburg, Fla. After graduating, he traveled the world with the Merchant Marines.

Louis F. Dedeaux, 87, of Pensacola, Fla., passed away suddenly on June 5, 2015, at his home. Louis graduated from Balboa High School in 1947. "Coach" Dedeaux worked at Gamboa Elementary School, Gatun Elementary School and Margarita Elementary School as Physical Education and Swimming Instructor before transferring to Cristobal High School in Coco Solo in 1961.

Patricia (Tish) Marie Fitzpatrick Dertien, 97, passed away peacefully on April 24, 2016, in Gainesville, Fla. Tish was a devoted Navy wife for 28 years and the mother of four children. She resided in the former Panama Canal Zone between 1966 and 1976. She displayed much empathy and felt dearly for those in need of special assistance and applied her care and energy in volunteer activities that included orphanages, International Women's Club, Navy Wives Club, the Red Cross and, always, the Thrift Shop run by her local parish or church.

Douglas James Fulop, 74, passed away on April 19, 2016, at his home. Doug retired from working as a Budget Rates Analyst for the Panama Canal Commission. He was a U.S. Marine Corps Veteran who served his country. He enjoyed reading, watching old movies, spending time outdoors doing yard work, and spending time with his family, as well as helping them with everyday chores.

Jean Fay Griffin was granted her angel wings on February 12, 2015, at the age of 91. She worked for the Federal Aviation Agency. Jean loved to travel and spent a lot of her time visiting all of Central America, the Caribbean Islands, and many other foreign lands. Upon leaving the Canal Zone, she retired and lived in Montana for awhile.

Lydia "Bea" Gunn, 84, of Paso Robles, Calif. passed away on January 5, 2016. She worked as a secretary for several private employers, and finished up her career as an Executive Secretary with the California Youth Authority, an assignment which spanned nearly 25 years. To satisfy her need to be involved in the sports field, she became an institution as a softball coach starting with almost twenty years in the Paso Robles Recreational league. Beginning in 1985, she partially fulfilled her dreams when she became a high school softball coach. She loved her "girls" and never forgot their impact on her life.

Carol (Coleman) Masino, 81, of St. Petersburg, Fla. passed away peacefully surrounded by her children and grandchildren. She was known for her sharp wit, voracious reading, and she enjoyed the daily crossword. Raised in the Canal Zone, she relocated to Florida upon the retirement of her late husband, Raymond Masino. Carol worked for the Panama Canal Society for over twenty years as the Assistant to the Record Editor and received the Honorary Life Membership in 2005. She was a Carnival Queen in the Canal Zone in the '50s.

Raymond Keith Kulig, 74, of Pensacola, Fla., passed away peacefully on January 12, 2016, He was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather. Keith retired in 2014 as a Government Contractor with the Navy at the Pensacola Naval Base working as a Computer Systems Analyst. Since retirement, he spent most of his waking hours at the golf course, working out at the gym and just hanging with family and friends. He didn't know any strangers, everyone who met him became his friend.

Darryl Kent Morse, Sr., 68, passed away on April 20, 2016, at St. Anthony's Health Center in Alton, Ill. With his father being military, the family moved often, and Darryl attended various schools on Naval bases around the world. He loved to tell stories of his travels and the historical sites his mother insisted he had to experience. His most treasured memories came from a time when the family stayed in one place for four years, which was a rarity. It allowed him to attend and graduate from Balboa High School Class of '66, in the Panama Canal Zone. There he excelled in football, baseball, and basketball, and made many lifelong friends who are now spread across the world.

Adrienne M. Neuhaus, age 93, passed away from natural causes in Albuquerque, N.M., on February 29, 2016. Adrienne shared her love of swimming with her friends and neighbors, the Park Plaza Penguins, teaching water aerobics for 21 years until she "retired" at the age of 90. with her stepson, Don Neuhaus, and her five brothers and one sister.

Barbara Ann O'Brien (nee Shaw), 83, of Burke, Va. passed peacefully away on April 29, 2015. Barbara was an early childhood educator with a degree from Mercer University and a master's degree from Columbia University. She loved being an Army officer's wife, cooking, gardening, crossword puzzles, romance novels, animals and traveling.

Lt. Col. **Erin Samuel O'Brien**, 79, of Burke, Va. passed peacefully away on July 7, 2015. He was a decorated career Army officer, including the Silver Star, Army Commendation, and Joint Service medals, Erin started his second career as a realtor/broker. He loved sports, travel, learning, technology, photography, music, and dancing.

Arlene R Owen, 77, passed away on February 19, 2016, in hospital in England. She was an avid reader and loved art history. She took numerous art history classes and loved traveling around Europe to see the artwork that she had studied.

Noble "Buddy" Phillips, 101, passed away peacefully January 31, 2016, after a few months of declining health. Buddy attended Canal Zone schools and graduated from Balboa High School in 1933. Buddy started a coppersmith apprenticeship in the sheet metal shop with the Panama Canal Company in January of 1934. Later he became a planner/estimator, then chief planner/estimator and retired as the Assistant Production Superintendent of the Industrial Division in Mt. Hope in January of 1972.

John G. Riley, 80, a resident of Dothan, Ala. for nineteen years, died February 27, 2016, at his residence surrounded by his family. He graduated from Balboa High School, Canal Zone in 1954 and joined the Navy in June 1956. He attended colleges in Texas and Mississippi and Canal Zone College. John received his Associate degree in 1960. He worked for the Balboa Post Office and Balboa Customs Office.

Jon Snodgrass, 74, passed away on November 5, 2015, in Pasadena, Calif. peacefully in his sleep. He graduated from Balboa High School in 1959. After serving as an enlisted man in the U.S. Army in Germany in the early 60s, he earned BA and MA degrees in Sociology (1965 and 1967) at the University of Maryland. He obtained a PH.D. in Sociology from the University of Pennsylvania in 1972. Jon taught Sociology at CSULA for more than forty years and was a tenured professor.

Patricia Sommer, 58, of Fayetteville, died on February 1, 2016, in Fayetteville, Ark. She was an employee of Washington Regional Medical Center in Fayetteville. She liked to sew, work with arts and crafts and like flea markets and shopping for antiques. She enjoyed traveling and was a great cook and baker.

George Ireland Stanley, Sr., 93, of Marble, passed away on February 3, 2016. George went to work as a civilian for the Department of the Army. He retired in 1972 as Chief of Production Control in the Maintenance Department of the Army. While in the Canal Zone, he enjoyed managing the Little League, Babe Ruth, and American Legion baseball teams. George's teams played ball against Manny Sanguillen and Rennie Stennett, both of whom became Pittsburgh Pirates. Twice, George brought American Legion baseball teams to the United States; once to Memphis, Tenn. and once to Arlington, Texas. In addition to baseball, George loved to golf and play cards with his buddies at the Snake Pit in Curundu and the Elks Club in Balboa.

James (Jimmy) Steele passed away July 19, 2015, in Orlando, Fla. He attended Balboa High School then joined the Army in 1953. He served in Korea, three tours in Vietnam, and multiple tours throughout Central and South America. In 1966, he was assigned to the 7th Special Forces Group in Ft. Gulick, Canal Zone, Panama where he taught jungle warfare training at the School of the America's. In 1969, he completed his 3rd tour of Vietnam where he was in the Special Forces Special Ops

Group/Delta. During his tours in Vietnam, Jimmy was awarded five Bronze Stars. He retired from the Army in Panama in 1973. After his retirement from the Army, he became a Customs Agent for the Panama Canal Government Port Authority and lived in Coco Solo. In the '70s, he led a group of teenage Sea Explorers in Coco Solo. Jimmy was known as "Uncle Jimmy" to all the kids in the neighborhoods he lived in because the kids adored him and considered him a great mentor and friend.

Col. **Davis Stevenson**, 85, passed away February 24, 2016. He graduated from Balboa High School in 1950. He graduated from Officers Candidate School in 1954 and shortly after was married to June Adrienne Rowley on June 4, 1954. He was released from active duty in 1958. Davis also graduated from the Command and General Staff College and retired as a Colonel. Davis started Condor Tours and Travel in the early '90s when he perceived the need for a travel company in the United States with ties to Latin America.

Coleman (Colie) Wheeler, 72, of Centralia, Ill., passed away on March 20, 2016, at Salem, Ill. He came to the Canal Zone as an art teacher at Curundu Junior High in 1969. In 1970, Colie became Youth Coordinator for the Youth Advisor to the Governor's Office. He helped to develop programs and activities for kids in the Zone, reopened the Gap Teen Center in Balboa and produced and directed "Jesus Christ Superstar" which played in the Cafetorium at Curundu JHS and the Margarita Gym.

William Francis Winford, 57, passed away on November 25, 2015. Billy was born on April 2, 1958, in Hialeah, Fla. to Bobby and Janet Winford. He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Bobby Jr.; sisters, Roseanna (Winford) Swicegood and Dianna Winford.