

Peace Corps Malaysia 4

By Joseph H. Howard

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Sarah Elizabeth (Bates) Deeb, age 81 formerly of Framingham and Hopkinton, MA passed away peacefully in White Plains, MD on Friday, Sep. 9, 2022. ...

Prior to retiring, Sara was a longtime Pediatric Registered Nurse for children who required critical care. She also volunteered as a nurse with the Peace Corps in Malaysia.

Harold Seymour Beebout – Birth 18 Nov 1940 – Burial, Sperryville Cemetery, Sperryville, Rappahannock County, Virginia.

Joyce Ann Borne - age 83 of Brookville, Indiana died Friday morning January 14, 2022, at the Brookville Healthcare Center in Brookville, Indiana.

... In 1963 she joined the United States Peace Corps; and was the first Methodist Hospital graduate to be accepted to serve as a Peace Corps Volunteer. She served as a volunteer R.N. in the southeast Asia country of Malaysia from 1963 – 1965. During a cholera outbreak in the state of Kelantan in northeastern Malaysia she helped set up a special cholera unit and staffed this unit until help could arrive from the Federal Capital of Kuala Lumpur. She later served on a traveling cholera vaccination team to the many villages in the State of Kelantan.



James Daniel Brick – Born February 1938 in Sheboygan, Wisconsin. He is listed at 80 Michael Blake Blvd Unit 102 Winter Springs, FL 32708 and is affiliated with the Independent Party of Florida. Was at Cliff Capp's wedding. Cliff says: Jim Brick taught at a secondary school, as did I, in a town west of Ipoh but I do not remember the name of the town. He married Nadia Gaoui 12 March 1968 in Gibraltar, Wisconsin. He died as reported by the Sheboygan Press (unknown date).

Dorothy Ann Campbell - deceased

Clifford Barry Capp - Cliff Capp was born on 02/06/1940. He lives in Bayfield, CO, and has lived in the Durango, CO, area since 1969. "I married Joyce Durbin in 1965. She was a student at NIU when we were in training there and we remained in communication by letter until I returned. Around 1984 I took Joyce back to Malaysia and to the village of Sabak Bernam where I taught in an English-speaking secondary school. I got to reconnect with several past students and colleagues while on that visit. I got my master's degree in mathematics from Colorado State University in 1969 and joined the faculty of Fort Lewis College in Durango in 1970, where I remained until he retired in 2001. Joyce and I are both doing reasonably well. She just had her 83rd birthday and I have my 86th birthday a week from tomorrow." e-mail: Capp1840@gmail.com.

Alfred Chin – born 8 Feb 1937 – died 18 March 2005.

Carolyn Ann Christensen – Married Kenneth Lebsock 30 June 1967 – Married another Peace Cops Malaysia 4 volunteer - see Lebsock below. She taught at a middle school in Kangar, Perlis. After returning from the Peace Corp, Carolyn earned a Master's Degree from Cornell University and subsequently became an IRS licensed Enrolled Agent and Investment Advisor. Investment adviser. Carolyn Lebsock, EA is an IRS registered tax preparer in Gaithersburg, Maryland. Carolyn Lebsock is associated with Financial Focus Inc. You can contact Carolyn Lebsock at 15304 Turkey Foot Road, Gaithersburg, Md. Her cellphone is 301-300-3888 and email is lebsockcaolyn@gmail.com.

Dr. Elizabeth Cocke Cole - Dr. Elizabeth C. Cole, of Clarksville, Va., died Sunday at her residence. She was born in Norfolk, educated at Hollins College, received her medical degree from the University of Virginia, was a member of the House of Prayer in Clarksville, a member of AARP, worked as a medical doctor and operated an office in Norfolk. Prior to that she was on the staff of Blue Ridge Sanatorium and in 1958 she accepted the appointment of the American Friends Service Committee as physician in its Barpali Village Service project in the state of Orissa, India, under Dr. Tom Dooley. Her commitment to Christ led her through life as a single. She served in the United States Peace Corps in Malaysia. A funeral service was held in The House of Prayer in Clarksville. Interment was in Oakhurst Cemetery in Clarksville, Va.

Jacqueline Catherine (Noel) Colgan - Born about 1941. Nurse. married 8 September 1962, Hanover, Pennsylvania. Deceased



Thomas Hugh Colgan – Born 9 April 1940. married 8 September 1962, Hanover, Pennsylvania. Deceased - Zion Cemetery, Died 13 November 1999 Wenona, LaSalle County, Illinois.

John Robert Cox – Born 22 Dec 1945. Married Sandra -----. Died 13 November 1999. Burial Oak Part Cemetery, Know, Starke County, Indiana

Glenn Edward Curie – Born June 1940 Newcastle, Pennsylvania. Lived in New Port Richey, Florida. In Webb, Texas. Deceased.

Evelyn Mary (Dwyer) Jacoby - Lyn's Peace Corps assignment in Malaya, as a nurse, was assigned to work at the Bagan Datoh Health Clinic. Bagan Datoh was a one-street fishing village situated at the mouth of the Perak River. It was surrounded by rubber estates, kampongs, and Chinese enclaves. Lyn died 8 January 2026 in Sonoma, California.

Louise Ann (Gengenbach) Heisler – Nurse – Born 21 July 1940. Died about 2026 of Cancer in Jamesville, New York.

Barbara Mariell Guss – Born 14 November 1940. Lived at 2515 Clyde, Los Angeles, California. Information provided by Carolyn Christensen Lebsock: Attended Wellesley College. Barbara died June 8, 2023. An obit appears in a Wellesley College Alumnae magazine. Named in that obit as Barbara Guss Cohen, she is noted as having been head of the UK Commission for

Racial Equality. A search using those terms shows her being active in human rights and equal rights issues in many organizations in the UK.

<https://www.migpolgroup.com/index.php/2023/06/22/a-tribute-to-barbara-cohen/>

Marilyn Woodworth (Haasnoot) Sjafroeddin Getty– Nurse. Served at the Aborigine Hospital just outside Kuala Lumpur. After the Peace Corps I stayed there another 2 years working for the US Medical Research Team doing research on infectious diseases. Born 10 Oct. 1937, New York, New York – Divorced from Sjafroeddin – married Harold Thomas Getty (1933-2013) lucernfox@aol.com.

Married Sjafroeddin in Malaysia. I stayed 4 years there and had a son. On return from Malaysia moved to Virginia where husband had a job teaching Indonesian to U.S. military. Worked as a nurse. Moved to Ohio where husband taught language and literature at Ohio University. Had 2 more sons. Joined the U. S. Public Health Service in 1977. Assigned to Indian Health Service. Spent 15 years in Oklahoma. Marriage failed after 17 years. Remarried to the brother of my best friend. My three sons lived with their father because position required a lot of travel. Moved to Alaska where new husband travelled there a lot. New job was great, flying in small planes to Native Alaskan villages. I retired in 1999 from PHS and moved with second husband to Las Vegas, Nevada because 3 sons lived there. I worked part time in geriatric mental health. Husband died. I now live alone but all three sons live 5 minutes away. I keep busy with traveling, sharing time with sons, grandsons, and great grandsons, and take senior classes at UNLV.

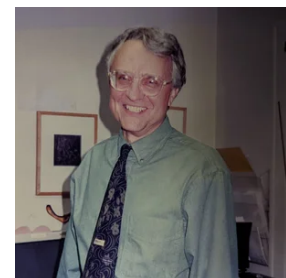
George Duane Hagan – Born 28 October 1938, Minnesota. Married Joann K. Kaiser 30 June 1962 in San Diego, California. In 2017 their address was 2293 US Highway 52, Decorah, IA 52101. Deceased. <https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/61843/records/739720966>

Joann Karol (Kaiser) Hagan – Born 29 December 1940. In 2017 their address was 2293 US Highway 52, Decorah, IA 52101

Martha Eathel Hann – Born 22 October 1940, Ft. Madison, Lee County, Iowa. Married Grantlund Earl Jordan 5 October 1974. Deceased as reported in *The Des Moines Register*.

Michael George Herwy – Born 2 March 1941. Originally from Big Rapids, Michigan. Professional Land Surveyor as President at Associated Surveying Group PC. Lived in West Chicago, Illinois before moving to Bolingbrook, Illinois. Was at Cliff Capp's wedding. Cliff says: Mike Herwy was a surveyor and, in Malaysia, worked for some government agency in that capacity. He was located somewhere in the central part of Malaya but I cannot recall the town's name. I am a bit concerned since I sent an email to Mike but have not heard back from him. I know he was having vision problems so I don't know how that is affecting his ability to read the email.

Donald Louis Hey- Born 10 March 1940, Kansas City, Missouri. Died July 24, 2022. Obituary: We are deeply saddened that our founder, Dr. Donald Hey, passed away July 24, 2022. Donald Hey was trained as a civil engineer but obtained his PhD. in water resources systems analysis from Northwestern University. He used this training and his boundless



energy and vision to influence virtually every aspect of water resources management today. He founded Hey and Associates, Inc. in 1976. He developed the technical foundation for stormwater management in Illinois including current stormwater management regulations. He developed an updated sophisticated accounting approach to record the use of Lake Michigan water by Illinois. Also, Donald was an early advocate of using natural and constructed habitats for stormwater management, which we now collectively refer to as “green infrastructure.” One of his most well-known insights was the role of beavers in the formation of wetlands before European arrival. His study and insights about the ability to restore and create wetlands and the benefits they provide led to the formation of Wetland Research Inc. and the construction of the renowned Des Plaines River Wetlands Demonstration Project in Wadsworth, Illinois. That project documented that wetlands could be restored and even built from scratch and also helped define the water resource and habitat benefits they provide. He developed one of the first wetland mitigation banks in Illinois under the management of Wetland Research, Inc. He sold the firm to past and current management and left formal consulting in 1997. He wanted to continue to pursue his passion for wetlands restoration and formed The Wetlands Initiative which went on to complete many notable projects particularly the Dixon Waterfowl Refuge at Hennepin, Illinois. Donald’s more recent pursuits included an endless promotion of the emerging market of nutrient farming/trading and the use of natural habitats for carbon sequestration. In addition, he was an adjunct professor at Northwestern. There is scarcely a single aspect of water resources management in Illinois that does not in some way owe a debt to his efforts. We will miss him dearly. Donald’s Celebration of Life will be held on September 29th at the Evanston Ecology Center.

After earning a Bachelor of Science degree in engineering from University of Missouri-Rolla (now Missouri University of Science & Technology), he became an early Peace Corp volunteer, spending two years in Malaysia building bridges in the mid-1960s. He then earned a master's degree from the University of Kansas and a fellowship from the Ford Foundation, which took him to Nigeria, where he taught engineering.

Mary Charlotte (Holm) John – Born ca 1934. taught English at Maktab Perguruan Bahasa (Malayan Teachers’ College) (MTC) - Petaling Jaya.



John Oliver Hooper – died January 30, 2019 - He served in the Peace Corps in 1963 and 1964, teaching math, physics, and chemistry at the Sultan Ismail School in Kemaman, Malaysia.

<https://www.hollandlyons.com/obituaries/john-hooper>

Marcia Marie Hooper – divorced from John 26 October 1978.

Joseph H. Howard – Assigned as a librarian and the University Library and for 6 months was a lecturer in music at Maktab Perguruan Bahasa (Malayan Teachers’ College) (MTC) - Petaling Jaya. Directed 3 choirs. I have written about my Peace Corps experience. Worked at the Library of Congress and as Director of the National Agricultural Library. See website: batik31.com under 4 headings: Family (First wife), Peace Corps, Folk Songs & Scouts.



Llewelyn Donald Howell, Jr. - Llewellyn "Llew" Donald Howell, Jr., of Glendale, Arizona, died October 21 at home in Glendale, AZ. Born in Niagara Falls, New York, Llew was a graduate of Lewiston-Porter High School and SUNY Brockport. He joined the Peace Corps after graduation, serving in Malaysia, and upon returning to the U.S. received his Ph.D. in International Relations from Syracuse University. He taught at the University of Hawaii and the American University in Washington, DC.

Jo Ann Isackson – Born ca 1940, Death date 26 January 2024. Resided in Portland, Oregon.

Emily (Isom) Foster – Born 19 October 1937, Haley, Tennessee. Died 20 April 2015. Married 1973 Lee N. Foster.

Carmelle Clark Knudsen – Born 11 June 1941, Berkeley, California. Married Mark Ford Knudsen 24 February 1963, Los Angeles, California. fccbove60@gmail.com which is no longer active.

Mark Ford Knudsen – Born about 1942 Berkeley, California. Graduated from University of Redlands. Married Carmelle Clark. Divorced 4 June 1981 from Carmelle. Married 17 October 1982 Rita M. Spencer. Born Feb. 1941. mark.knudsen@ssmarine.com (no response)
Co-author of: *The Habits And Life history Of Oedoparena glauca (Diptera, Dryomyzide), A Predator Of Barnacles*. In: Proceedings of the Entomological Society of Washington Volume: 82, 1980 Page 360—377. Publication Info: Washington, etc, Entomological Society of Washington

Kyoko Kodama – Born about 1940, Reedley, Fresno, California. Japanese American relocated during World War II, 1942-1946.

Ladislaus Thaddeus Kosnink – Ladislaus Thaddeus (Ted) Kosnik was born in Detroit, Michigan on July 9th, 1940. He graduated from the University of Detroit in 1963 and immediately joined the Peace Corps, serving in Malaysia from 1963-65.



Upon returning home Ted enrolled in a master's degree program in the Physics Department at Wayne State University, graduating in 1967. He was accepted to the Wayne State University program for a doctorate in physics. He wished to pursue his career in medicine but was not able to earn a joint degree from the main campus and the medical school, so after completing all the requirements for a doctorate in physics he applied and was accepted into Wayne State University School of Medicine and graduated in 1980 with a PhD.

After graduation, Dr. Kosnik was employed at Northern Michigan Hospital, Petoskey, MI as a Medical Physicist, and later was employed at Munson Medical Center in Traverse City, MI in the same capacity. While in northern Michigan he served as president of the Great Lakes Chapter of Health Physics Society. At Munson Medical Center Ted worked with the architects to design a new nuclear medicine department and was able to work out the logistics for placement of a

skylight over the nurse's station of the basement facility which greatly enhanced the environment.

The family moved to Lynchburg, VA in the summer of 1988 where he again revamped the radiation therapy department at Lynchburg General Hospital. In July of 1989 Ted accepted an appointment to the faculty of Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, TX, where he not only taught physics but also worked clinically. While at Baylor he commissioned several other cancer treatment facilities, including those at the newly built Michael E DeBakey VA Medical Center in Houston. In 1995 he accepted a position at the Cancer Institute at East Texas Medical Center. He again worked to improve the existing facilities and trained at Harvard University in the use of the x-knife. He held positions in Shreveport, LA and consulted around the country. Dr. Kosnik was invited by the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) to work in Moldova and Tanzania evaluating and improving cancer treatment in both countries.

Ted married Eileen Judith Walsh in December 1967.

After he retired Ted worked for many years as a volunteer at the St. Vincent de Paul food pantry. He and Eileen held leadership positions in the Teams of Our Lady Movement and for many years represented the Movement at the national and international level.

Ted died on September 5, 2022. The Funeral Mass was held September 16, at 10 am at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Tyler, TX.

Alice Mary Lage – Librarian. First at University of Malaya Library and later at the Victoria Institute –December 14, 1925 – March 6, 1996, Alexandria, Virginia.

David George Lagerman – Born 20 February 1941. W7118 County Road U, Plymouth, WI, 53073. cell phone (414) 881-9062, Landline (920) 528-7343. Married 1 July 1989 Louise Edna Mann 1 July 1989.

Gloria Louise Laird – Born about 1935. Died California

Kenneth Lee Lebsock. Born 5 November 1938 in Denver, Colorado. He taught at the Technical College in Kuala Lumpur. According to his Korean War Era Draft Card, he resided in Idaho Falls, Idaho and was a student of Mass. Institute of Technology. After returning from the Peace Corps, Ken earned a PhD in applied mechanics from Cornell University and had decades long career contributing to the advancement of space flight. Twenty years ago when Dr. Lebsock started supporting NASA at GSFC he already had an extensive background in the dynamics and controls of space vehicles based on his previous experience with Military, Intelligence Community, University, and commercial customers. He has served as GN&C engineer or lead ACS Engineer on several GSFC spacecraft programs including WIRE, TRACE, AURA, and JWST. He was responsible for initiating and organizing the successful on-orbit



demonstration of a new Time Optimal Slew Control Law using the TRACE satellite prior to it being decommissioned.

Dr. Lebsock has supported NESC since 2005 and currently serves as the Technical Discipline Deputy for Guidance Navigation and Control Systems. He was responsible for initiating and organizing the successful on-orbit demonstration of a new Time Optimal Slew Control Law using the TRACE satellite prior to it being decommissioned. He is the author of numerous technical papers on the analysis, design, fabrication, test, and operation of spacecraft attitude control systems. Married another Peace Cops Malaysia 4 volunteer, Carolyn Ann Christensen 30 June 1967 in New York – see above

Susan Anne Maples – Born about 1936 Encino, California.

William Burt Maples – Born about 1929 Encino, California



Franz Weston Martin - Franz W. Martin, 75, of Live Oak, FL passed away on Sunday, December 20, 2015. The Newberry, FL native lived in Live Oak, FL for over 40 years. He worked as an airplane mechanic for Aero (now known as TIMCO Aviation Services) in Lake City, FL.



Helen (Coady) Montgomery – 1897-1970 (Edgar County, Illinois) Buried St Mary's Cemetery, Paris, Edgar County, Illinois. Her husband Burleigh H. Montgomery born 1900, died 1963

Nadine Katherine Moore – Nurse, Born 6 June 1937, San Diego, California. Died 5 March 2025. Married Alec Salley.

Sina M Mott - Sina Miranda Mott was born on 29 March 1896, in Fairview, Jones, Iowa. She immigrated to New York City, New York, United States in 1949 and lived in Dale Township, O'Brien, Iowa, in 1920 and O'Brien, Iowa, in 1925. She died on 10 May 1972, in Abilene, Taylor, Texas, at the age of 76, and was buried in Fairhope Friends Quaker Cemetery, Fairhope, Baldwin, Alabama,



Lawrence Michael Murphy – He was born 16 September 1941 in Foxborough, Norfolk County, Massachusetts, is known for his involvement in various controversies, particularly related to allegations of sexual abuse within the Catholic Church.

Murphy was a priest in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee. He worked primarily with deaf children at St. John's School for the Deaf. Murphy faced numerous

allegations of sexual abuse, particularly during the 1970s and 1980s. Reports indicate that he was accused of abusing at least 200 boys.

The Archdiocese of Milwaukee reportedly received complaints about Murphy's behavior but took limited action. In 1996, Murphy was allowed to continue living in a parish despite the allegations. He passed away in 1998.

Rhoda Ann Neu – Nurse – Born 18 December 1940 (Paramus, New Jersey), died July 18, 2025 at the age of 84. Buried at Cedar Park and Beth El Cemeteries, Paramus, New Jersey. Marilyn Getty says: I have responded with Rhoda Neu “not too long ago”, so unless she died recently; she lost her Malaysian husband 1+ years ago but still lives in Anoka, Minnesota. Has three children. Married Sia Kim Sal 8 May 1965.

<https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/285101483/rhoda-ann-new>

Alan Wayne Olson – Born 12 January 1941 Aurora, Kane, Illinois. Valedictorian of his high school class. Death date 3 June 2021, DuPage County Illinois, Buried Greenwood Cemetery, Kinckley, DeKalb County, Illinois. Married Dianna Marie Berger 21 August 1961 in Aurora, Illinois



Dorothy Mae Peoples – February 1, 1930 - July 3, 2017, Baltimore, Maryland,
Address in Baltimore was 23 Arlen Road, Apt. J

Esther Evelyne Pierce – Nurse. Born 30 August 1937, Bisbee, Cochise, Arizona. Married William Kooiman 3 July 1969. In 1972 lived in San Mateo, California.

ebkoolman@horizoncable.com – no response.

Karl Joseph Reeh – Librarian, 91 years old and was born on 07/14/1934 in Gregg Texas. Currently, Karl lives in Berkeley, CA. Rakespro@aol.com – no response

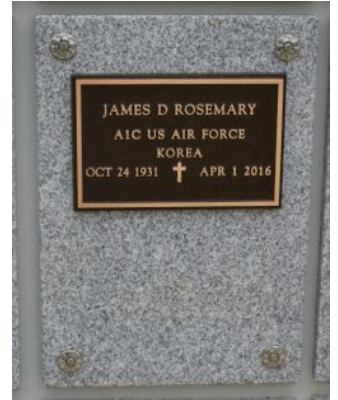


Edward Jack Revie – January 29, 1933-January 26, 2023. In Malaysia, he led a crew of men from across the Southeast Asia region in building a road through the jungles from the South China Sea to the Bukit Besi Iron Mine.



Roy S. Roseborough – Born February 11, 1940 in Tulsa, Oklahoma – Died December 1, 2020 in Longview, Texas. Served three years in the Peace Corps (Malaysia) as a secondary school teacher in science and math.

James Donald Rosemary – Born 24 October 1931, Died 1 April 2016. Buried Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Bear, New Castle County, Delaware. Married Patricia A. Romanski.



Blenda Alberta (Smith) George – Born 26 May 1936, Springfield, Ohio. Lived in Lakeland, Polk County, Florida. Deceased. Married Rajasela-Ran George about 1969

Sheila Smith – Born about 1938, Portland, Multnomah, Oregon. Married Skyler Ray McCluskey; divorced 13 Jul 1977 Multnomah, Oregon. Died 31 Dec 2008.

John Howard Southworth – Born 20 April 1939. Married Sigrid Katherine Boyuni 15 Jan 1968. After Peace Corps lived in Honolulu, Hawaii south@hawaii.edu. - No response. Retired Education Associate, Distance Education Programs, University of Hawaii.

Jeanine Marie Thoene - Born about 1940 Married Don W Prows (divorced in Santa Clara, California January) 1975. Married John D. Chilgen 27 Nov 1976. (divorced in Oregon 27 October 1982). President of City Ballet in Oregon. 2224 Se 16th, Portland, OR 97210

Helen Rorabacher Townsend – March 1, 1901 - March 15, 1993

Ranson Shankland Towsend - Oct. 6, 1896 - December 1990

Karen Maryann Wald – Nurse – Born 11 February 1942, Buffalo, New York kwaldgianotti@gmail.com. Which is no longer active.

Marilyn Janet (Wood) Joseph – Nurse – Born 5 November 1938. Roxbury, Litchfield, Connecticut. Died 5 January 1968 Danbury, Fairfield, Connecticut. sallis.nurses@snet.net which is no longer active. Marilyn Wood, worked on the East Coast for a while then was transferred to the Aborigine Hospital in the Kula Lumpur suburbs.

May 14, 1969, *Hartford Courant* from Hartford, Connecticut - *Marilyn Wood Joseph*, who will discuss Malaysia, where she served in the Peace Corps. Her husband, *William Joseph*, is studying in London and may arrive here in time to take part in the program.

Lyn (Dwyer) Jacoby provided the following list of those applicants who were deselected: *Buhite, Bunner, Carrothers, Crandell, Frank, Gilmore, Kindy, Lochnicht, Morse, Parker, Sowers, Tokheim, Willete and Wright.*

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(https://my.usembassy.gov/peace_corps/)