

## Honolulu Advertiser & Star-Bulletin Obituaries January 1 - December 31, 1995

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**Dorothy Valentina Early**, 74, of Honolulu, died Feb. 23, 1995. She was born in Brooklyn, and was a retired telephone operator and volunteer for charitable groups. Survived by sons, Stephen E.M. of California and Patrick J. of New York; daughter, Mrs. Dennis R. (Eileen) Early-Sadowski; four grandchildren; sister, Clair C. Smith of New York. [Adv Feb. 27, 1995]

**Jose Ebanes**, 57, of Hilo, formerly of Honolulu, died Feb. 19, 1995. He was born in Paauhau and was a professional drywall tapper. Survived by companion, Lorraine Akhay; daughters, Rhoda Usman of Washington, Jeanette Castillo of Pahala; sons, Theodore of Honolulu, Damien of Florida and Guy of Kona; brothers, Miguel of Pahala, Angel Ibanes of Honolulu, Napoleon of Hilo, Reuben Ibanes of Nevada, Manuel of California and Magdolino Ibanes; sisters, Celerine Lumanian of Pahala, Aurelia Ibanes of Arizona, Marguerite Burns of California, Maria Ibanes of California, Julia Rances of Pepeekeo, Patricia Gonsalves of California, Jena Pacyao of Honolulu, Palabla Ebanes of California; eight grandchildren. Burial: Hawaii Veterans Cemetery No. 2. [Adv Feb. 24, 1995]

**Adrian Garr Ecton Jr.**, 52, of Honolulu, died Jan. 27, 1995. He was born in Indiana and was employed with Hawaii Escrow & Title Inc. Survived by father, Adrian G. Sr. of Indiana. Burial: National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific. [Adv Feb. 7, 1995]

**Beryl Edwards** of California, formerly of Hawaii, died last Monday Dec 25, 1995 at home. Edwards, 63, was born in England. She is survived by husband Bill; son Michael Hunter, and brother Bryan Hunter. Private inurnment. [SB 01//01/1996]

**David G. Ekern** of Kapaa, Kauai, a cement mason, died Dec. 26, 1995 at home. Ekern, 41, was born in Minneapolis. He is survived by parents Donald and Donna; and sister Jenifer Molnar. [SB 04/01/1996]

**Audrey Ellan Elderts**, 58, of Ewa Beach, died Feb. 25, 1995. She was born in Honolulu and was longtime president of Elderts Maintenance Services, Inc. Survived by father, Henry Sr.; brothers, Henry Jr., and Warren Maitland and Clayton, all of California; sisters, Carolyn Lee, Geraldine Louise and Sugar Cabral, both of CA, Andrea Layton of Washington, Olivia Torres and Heather Chu, both of CA. Burial: Valley of the Temples Memorial Park. [Adv Feb. 28, 1995]

**Herbert Nahakuelua Elderts**, 71, of Hilo, Hawaii, died Feb. 20, 1995. He was born in Puna, Hawaii and was a member of Jesus Faith Deliverance Church, and the AFL-CIO. Survived by wife, Sybil L.; son, Herbert Jr. of Honolulu; daughter, Katherine; stepdaughters, Rachael Hanohano, Sarah Gaison, Eva Rowe, Mabel Iopa, Sybil Evans and Cathy Lyman; stepsons, Edward, Abraham and Lawrence Poal, Dennis Poal of Kona and George Poal of South Carolina; sisters, Minnie Kaawaloa, Eleanor Evangelista and Leinaala Tonupopo of California; brothers, Raymond, Mathew and Kenneth, all of Honolulu; three grandchildren. Burial: Hawaii Veterans Cemetery #2, Hilo. [Adv Feb. 24, 1995]

**Marta Abulencia Eleccion**, 77, of Honolulu, died Jan. 11, 1995. She was born July 29, 1917 in Sta. Barbara, Pangasinan, the Philippines. Survived by husband, Mariano; daughters, Rogelia Eleccion Antolin, Tina Eleccion Baradi, Marieta Eleccion Betiong; stepdaughters, Saturnina Eleccion de Gracia, Salome Eleccion Eleccion; stepson Eusebio; 23 grandchildren; many great-great-grandchildren; sister Magdalena Leyda. Burial: Mililani Memorial Park. [Adv Feb. 1, 1995]

**Gabriel Walahian Empron Jr.**, 53, of Honolulu, died Jan. 5, 1995. He was born in Honolulu and was a security guard with Star Protection Agency and an active citizen's band radio operator (handle Four String Jammer) and entertainer with Gaylord and the Shadows. Survived by wife, Barbara Jean; stepchildren, Kismet K. Gould, Lou Ann K. George, and William L.L. Kaaialii III; goddaughter, Jolene Caingles; two granddaughters; brothers, Albert and Frank; and sisters, Becky Tavares of California, Marcy "Sunrise"

Tavares and Mrs. Harold (Josephine) Floyd of Las Vegas. Burial: Hawaii State Veteran's Cemetery. [Adv Jan. 11, 1995]

**Emmaline M. English**, of Lihue, Kauai, died Feb. 9, 1995. She was born on Maui and was a retired armory administrator with the Hawaii National Guard. She was a former professional hula dancer and had held positions as chair of the Kauai Democratic Party, president of the Kauai Chapter of the HGEA and member of the Kauai Liquor Control Commission and Police Commission. She received the Hawaii National Guard's Medal of Merit and Governor's Award for Distinguished Service. Survived by husband, John; daughter, Mrs. Wallace (Gwendolyn) Rezentes of Lihue; brothers, Walter, Frank, Vernon Gilber and Alvin Correa, all of Maui; sister, Mrs. Ernest (Connie) Mathias of Maui; three grandchildren; two great-grandchildren. Burial: Kauai Veterans Cemetery. [Adv Feb. 13, 1995]

**James Enoka**, 71, of Puueopaku died Jan 3, 1995. He was born in Papaikou and was a retired maintenance superintendent with the Hilo Medical Center. He was a member of the HGEA and the Puueopaku Kumiai. Survived by wife, Harue; sons, Jimmy and Elmer, daughters, Lucy Ueno of Oahu, Aileen Otani and Merle Samura, both of Hilo; 12 grandchildren; great-grandson. Burial: Hawaii Veterans' Cemetery #2 [Adv Jan. 8, 1995]

**Norman M. Enos** of Honolulu, a retired Jet Super Market produce clerk, died Dec. 28, 1995 in Kapiolani Hospital at Pali Momi. Enos, 72, was born in Honolulu. She is survived by daughters Carlene Lee and Gloria Silva; sons Norman J. Enos and Douglas Oshiro; two brothers; two sisters; and seven grandchildren. [SB 09/01/1996]

**Pedro Yambot Espiritu**, 95, of Aiea, died Jan. 25, 1995 at Kuakini Medical Center. He was born October 8, 1899 in Manila, Philippines and was a retired barber who had many military clients at Fort Ruger and Schofield to Barber's Point. Survived by wife, Emily P.; sons, Clifford L. of Florida and Peter M.; stepdaughters, Patsy Garza, Janet Poole of California 17 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren. Burial: Mililani Memorial Park. [Adv Jan. 28, 1995]

**Murray Estes**, 85, of Kaneohe, died Feb. 12, 1995. He was born in Idaho and was a long-time member of the Oahu Country Club. He was an attorney and businessman in Honolulu for more than 40 years and retired from law practice in 1980. Survived by wife, Florence; son, Robert M.;

daughter, Carolyn Yeltman; four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. [Adv Feb. 22, 1995]

**Hiroshi Eta, 71, of Berkley, CA.** formerly of Hilo, died Jan. 30, 1995. He was born in Hiroshima, Japan and was a California State transportation civil engineer. Survived by brothers, Takehiro of Hilo and Chiaki of Honolulu. [Adv Feb. 28, 1995]

**Benjamin Calip Eugenio, 79** of Waianae, died Jan. 9, 1995 at Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center. He was born March 18, 1915 in Santiago, Ilocos Sur, the Philippines, and was a member of the Santagenian Association. Survived by wife, Erlinda J.; sons, Rogelio, Romeo (Leticia) of Hawaii, Melicio (Rosita) and Eufemio (Filipina), both of the Philippines; daughters, Yolanda and Lolita; 24 grandchildren; many great-grandchildren. Burial: Mililani Memorial Park. [Adv Jan. 16, 1995]

**Thomas Stanford “Tookie” Evans** – He was famous for years as the voice, deep and dignified of small business in Hawaii. But for another generation, he was also the unforgettable Sheriff Tookie of a daytime television program. On Thursday, friends and fans of Thomas Stanford “Tookie” Evans will gather at Hosoi Garden Mortuary for 6.00pm services in memory of the long-time Hawaii entertainer and entrepreneur who died Jan. 25, 1995 at the age of 67. Evans, executive director the Filipino Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii at the time of his death, had served as the Hawaii Chamber of Commerce’s vice-president and small business advocate and promoter for over a decade. A graduate of Punohou who attended the University of Hawaii and New York University, Evans followed his older brother Kani into radio broadcasting career as an announcer on KGMB radio after World War II. By 1953, he was the gun twirling, sharp shooting sheriff on Six Gun Theater, KGMB-TV’s Saturday western movie show Evans was no drugstore cowboy, however, having established a reputation as an avid outdoorsman active in scuba diving, skin diving, hunting and water skiing. Being Hawaii’s western hero soon became too much to bear, however. “He just couldn’t take it anymore”, recalled Evans’ cousin, U.S. District Court Judge Sam King. “He was a big hero and the kids loved him, but he found it a very demanding life.” King remembered with a laugh. “Kids recognized him everywhere and he couldn’t smoke a cigarette or take a drink.” Evans moved into marketing for Hawaii’s major hotels, helping open up the market to Japanese tourism, serving as director of sales for Hilton, Ala Moana Americana and Kuilima hotels here. His trademark

nickname, he told friends, was given to him by an Aleut Indian – a tribe with which he claimed kinship. Evns is survived by his wife, Setsuko; sons, Ray and Ron; and five grandchildren [Adv Jan. 31, 1995]

**Jason M. Evensen** of Honolu died Tuesday Dec 26, 1995 at home. Evensen, 66, was born in North Dakota. He is survived by sons Jay D. and Todd; daughter Teena Simmons; sisters Joyce Cruz and Gloria Greenway; 5 grandchildren. Donations may be made to the American Heart Association. Services were private. [SB 01//01/1996]

**Rev. Anthony Everaert**, 69, of Honolulu, died Feb. 18, 1995. He was born in Kapeile, Belgium, and was a member of the Order of the Congregation of Sacred Hearts. He was a priest in Hawaii for more than 36 years on Oahu, Kauai and Maui and was a pastor for 10 years at St. Michael in Waialua. He served as an associate at Waikiki, Wailuku, Lihue, Makawao and Aiea and enjoyed golf and ballroom dancing. Survived by brothers, Joseph and Frederick Tits. Burial: Hawaiian Memorial Park. [Adv Feb. 22, 1995]