

Obituary

Alfred "Fred" Stoddard

It is with great sadness to share that Alfred W. "Fred" Stoddard passed away after a brief illness at Holyoke Hospital on Tuesday, February 11, 2025. Fred was a life-long resident of Agawam and Feeding Hills, and the son of the late Inez (Squazza) and Ernest Stoddard.



He worked for the Town of Agawam Water Department dedicating twenty years, retiring as a Foreman in 2019. Fred continued staying busy at ACE Auto Body, his home away from home, where he was a faithful volunteer and family member. He was a good friend to many who looked forward to coming to the shop to find Freddy there, ready to answer questions about on-going projects. He was a man of many interests, from farming with his Uncle Eddie Squazza where he was instilled with Eddie's mindset of "doing something for the boys," to becoming a welder and repo man just to learn new skills. Fred served in the military for six years as a Sergeant, a Green Beret, in the 82th Airborne and the United States Army. He was a brilliant man and could solve any problem. Freddy helped his uncle Eddie with the details of donating his 65-acre farm on Main

Street in Agawam to the state for the now Massachusetts Veterans Memorial Cemetery, where Eddie's wish of "doing something for the boys" was fulfilled of somehow helping all those who served during war time and in the military. Freddy will also be remembered for the hours he spent and joy he found tending to his vast plantings in his yard that needed his daily care. He will truly be missed.

He is survived by his beloved wife, Judy (Gregitis) Stoddard, Steven Melanson who was like his brother, good friends who were family: Steven's wife Lisa and their daughter Payten, Dale Melanson, and his neighbor Eddie Cecchi; and many extended family and friends.

To honor Fred, visiting hours was held on Wednesday, Feb. 26 from 4 to 7 p.m. at Colonial Forastiere Funeral & Cremation, 985 Main Street in Agawam. Burial will be in the spring in Agawam Center Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Fred's honor to Friends of the Massachusetts Veterans Memorial Cemetery at Agawam (FOAVC), PO Box 3, Feeding Hills MA 01030. For more information or to share a memory, please visit www.forastiere.com

Sports

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Last year, the Brownies defeated Minnechaug Regional, 3-2, in a Division 2 preliminary round game before losing to Tewksbury High School, 7-0, in the round of 32. They also lost to Medford in a preliminary round game in 2023.

Easthampton just missed qualifying for the Division 3 state tournament, as they finished their season with an 8-11-1 overall record.

Easthampton and Agawam, who are both members of the Fay Division, split



Trevor Del Barba gets ready to send the puck up the ice.

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a pair of games during the regular season.

The Brownies won the first meeting, 3-1, on December 21. The Eagles posted a 2-0 shutout in the second meeting at the beginning of January.

Agawam took a quick 1-0 lead in the semifinal match at 2:39 of the opening period following a goal by Pisano, who's also an assistant captain.

"Scoring the first goal early in the first period was huge for us," Rowley said. "We also scored early goals in the second and third periods, which was our game plan."

AJ Robbins, who's a defenseman, is the Brownies captain this winter.

Less than two minutes later, Easthampton junior Parker Christy scored the tying goal on a low shot from the blue line that snuck into the net past sophomore goalie Dmitri Huey (23 saves).

Huey and senior goalie Frankie DiSanti split the starting duties during the regular season.

"Both of them are very good goalies," said Rowley, who's also a former goalie. "Dmitri had the slight advantage in both record and in stats, so we'll be riding him in the playoffs. It was one of the hardest decisions that I had ever made as a

head coach."

Following a scramble in front of the net, Connery poked home the go-ahead goal 41 seconds into the second period.

The Brownies entered the final period holding a 2-1 advantage.

Just like they did during the first two periods, Agawam scored a goal at the start of the third period.

A pass by Connery was tipped into the net by Bufum 27 seconds into the period.

Agawam's final goal of the semifinal match was scored by Montagna with 4:33 remaining in regulation.

Montagna began the Class B championship game by scoring a first period goal.

The Thunder scored the tying goal less than a minute later.

Agawam then scored five unanswered goals, and they took home the championship trophy for the first time in 10 years.

The Brownies entered the Division 2 state tournament as the 33rd seed. They were scheduled to play a preliminary round road match against 32nd-seeded Newton South on Monday night. The winner of that contest will be facing Billerica High School, who's the number one seed in the Division 2 tournament, in the round of 32.

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DEATH NOTICE

Stoddard, Alfred "Fred"

Died Feb. 11, 2025
Visiting hours Feb. 26
Colonial Forastiere
Funeral & Cremation

Public Notices

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Hampden Probate and Family Court
50 State Street
Springfield, MA 01103
(413)748-7758
Docket No. HD25P0231EA
Estate of:
Frances Jean Kennedy
Also known as:
Frances J Kennedy
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION**

To all interested persons:
A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Elaine G Davis of Agawam, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: Elaine G Davis of Agawam, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 03/24/2025. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS, Hon. Barbara M Hyland, First Justice of this Court.

Date: February 24, 2025
Rosemary A Saccomani,
Register of Probate
02/27/2025

AGAWAM ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Agawam Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at the Agawam Senior Center, 954 Main St., Agawam, MA., on Monday, March 10, 2025 at 6:30 PM for all parties interested in the request of Matthew D. Preye who is seeking a Special Permit in accordance with the Town of Agawam's Zoning Ordinances, Ch.180-37(B) and Ch 180-8.1 to allow for the keeping of hens at the premises identified as 347 Poplar Street.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Hampden Probate and

**Family Court
50 State Street
Springfield, MA 01103
(413)748-7758
Docket No.
HD25C0030CA
In the matter of:
Joseph Mendes Bonci
CITATION ON PETITION TO CHANGE NAME**

A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by Joseph Mendes Bonci of Feeding Hills, MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to:

**Joseph Luis Mendes
IMPORTANT NOTICE**

Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Hampden Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 03/18/2025.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.

WITNESS, Hon. Barbara M Hyland, First Justice of this Court.

Date: February 18, 2025
Rosemary A Saccomani
Register of Probate
02/27/2025

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Hampden Division
Docket No.
HD25P0331EA
Estate of:
Timothy E. Duclos
Date of Death: 11/15/2024
INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Marilyn J Duclos of Agawam, MA a Will has been admitted to informal probate.
Marilyn J Duclos of Agawam, MA

wam, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.
02/27/2025

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Hampden Division
Docket No.
HD22P0013EA
Estate of:
Greta Greenburg
Date of Death:
November 9, 2021
INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Elizabeth Ely of New York, NY a Will has been admitted to informal probate.
Elizabeth Ely of New York, NY has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of

the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.
02/27/2025

**Town of Agawam
Moore Street and Valley Street
Engineering Design**

The Town of Agawam wishes to receive responses for engineering services for water main replacement, road reconstruction and drainage improvements on Moore Street and Valley Street, approximately 1,200 linear feet. The fee for services sought will be negotiated and shall not exceed \$58,800. A more detailed Request for Qualifications (RFQ) is available at the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission, 60 Congress Street, Springfield, MA 01104, (413) 781-6045, between 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM. To request an electronic copy of the RFQ, please contact Sue Ortiz at sortiz@pvpc.org or Joe Hagopian at jhagopian@pvpc.org. The RFQ will be available from the time of this notice until the due date specified below. The Town

of Agawam reserves the right to reject any and all responses if it is deemed in the best interests of the Town to do so. The Agawam Mayor will be the awarding and contracting authority.

Completed proposals are to be submitted no later than 2:00 PM, Tuesday, March 18, 2025 at the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission, 60 Congress Street, 1st Floor, Springfield, MA 01104.
02/27/2025

**Legal Notice
Town of Agawam**

The Agawam Planning Board will hold a public hearing on **Thursday, March 6, 2025 at 6:00pm** and the **Agawam City Council** will hold a public hearing on **Monday, March 17, 2025 at 7:00pm**, both in the Veterans Hall at the Agawam Senior Center, 954 Main Street, Agawam, MA. The purpose of these hearings will be to hear the petition of Calabrese Construction, LLC for a zone change request for **Old River Street, 27 Walnut Street & 17 High Street** from Business A and Industrial A to Residence B. City Council's public hearing will be livestreamed on the Town of Agawam's website at www.agawam.ma.us and will also be televised on Cable Access Channel 15 or Channel 1074. Copies of the proposed zone change can be obtained from the Office of Planning and Community Development between the hours of 8:30am and 4:30pm at the Agawam Town Hall, 36 Main Street, Agawam, MA or by emailing the Office of the City Clerk for an electronic copy at vgioscia@agawam.ma.us

By Order Of:
Violet Baldwin, Chair
Agawam Planning Board
Rosemary Sandlin, President
Agawam City Council
02/20, 02/27/2025

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- 3 Find a quick link to the state of Massachusetts' public notice web site to search all notices in Massachusetts newspapers.

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