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**2015**

Thursday, January 1, 2015

No Paper – Holiday

Friday, January 2, 2015

**Jean I. Miller**

Dec. 20, 1929 - Dec. 31, 2014

Mrs. Jean Ilene Neidlinger MILLER, 85, Rochester, was surrounded by her loving family when she passed away at 1:30 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 31, 2014, at her residence.

On Dec. 20, 1929, Jean was born in Marshall County a cherished daughter of Fay O. and Marjorie Kelter Neidlinger. As the fourth born of seven children, she shared her childhood with two sisters and four brothers. All the Neidlinger kids were introduced to the gift of music by their very talented mother. Jean became accomplished as a pianist in her youth. Intrigued with the accordion, Jean was self-taught, playing by ear. The children formed the Neidlinger Family band and played at local engagements. With great Cavalier pride, she graduated with her class from Culver High School in 1947.

Clem H. Miller Jr. and Jean were married on Nov. 27, 1947, in the Argos United Methodist Church. Together they shared 61 years of life's adventures. Their union produced a daughter and two sons. Over the years, two more generations have been added to the family tree.

As the matriarch of the Miller family, grandma Jean was proud to oversee four generations. She truly adored her six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Another passion was her love and appreciation of farming, assisting her husband Clem for a number of years with all aspects relative to their black Angus herd and grain farming. Each spring brought on the planting of their truck patch garden and the bountiful harvest of late summer canned and frozen for winter's use. Keeping her finger on the pulse of farming to relax, she enjoyed the RFD channel.

Left to cherish Jean's memory is her daughter, Eileen Fellers; her son: Charlie Miller and wife Katie, all of Rochester; six grandchildren, Brad Fellers and wife Kimi, Cory Fellers, Lori Williams and husband Jared, Joe Miller and wife Brianne, Sarah Miller and Greg Miller and wife Katie; five great-grandchildren, Courtney Fellers, Vivian and Grayson Miller, and twins Graham and Vanessa Miller; as well as several nieces and nephews.

Preceding Jean in death are her parents; husband Clem on April 17, 2008; son Tom Miller on March 14, 2012; son-in-law Steve Fellers on April 8, 2000; two sisters, Ruth Morris and Joan Zink; and four brothers, Ralph, Glen, Robert 'Sam' and Donald Neidlinger.

Friends may visit with the family from 9 a.m.–1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 3, 2015, at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 West 18th St., Rochester. A private family service is 1:30 p.m. Saturday with Dr. Mark Spencer officiating.

Interment is at Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, 112 S. Center St., Plymouth, IN 46563 or to the Fulton County 4-H Fund through the Northern Indiana Community Foundation, 715 Main St., Rochester, IN 46975. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to Jean's family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Harold T. Posthuma**

Aug. 12, 1935 - Dec. 31, 2014

Harold T. POSTHUMA, 79, Monterey, passed away at 8:45 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 31, 2014, at Logansport Memorial Hospital.

Harold was born on Aug. 12, 1935, in Illinois to the late Garrett and Florence Kennedy Posthuma.

Harold served in the U.S. Army and was a former member of the American Legion. He worked for the United Telephone Co. for more than 40 years. He enjoyed restoring John Deere tractors. He also liked NASCAR, old westerns and Ford trucks. Harold liked to have a good time and enjoyed spending time with his family and friends.

Survivors include his daughters, Rae (Jeff) Bonnell, Monticello, and Cindy (Tom) Kasten, Winamac; son Tim (Darci) Posthuma, Warsaw; grandsons Brian (Tammy) Bonnell, Shawn (Jessica) Bonnell and Shay (Heather) Kasten; granddaughters Shanna (Derek) Bonnell, Britni (Carson) Posthuma VandenBossche and Kelsi Posthuma; great-grandsons Ty Bonnell and Brody Bonnell; and great-granddaughters Peyton Bonnell, Ally Bonnell, Raegan Kasten and Kinzie Bonnell; and brother Jim Posthuma, Arizona.

He was preceded in death by his father, Garrett Posthuma; his mother, Florence Kennedy Posthuma; and his brother, Garrett Posthuma.

A celebration of life service is to be conducted by the family.

Cremation arrangements have been entrusted to Frain Mortuary, Winamac.

Online condolences may be offered in the guest book at [www.frainmortuary.com](http://www.frainmortuary.com).

### **Bonnie L. Zimpleman**

March 24, 1925 - Dec. 30, 2014

Bonnie Louise ZIMPLEMAN, 89, Fulton, passed away at home Dec. 30, 2014, surrounded by family after a long battle with ovarian cancer.

Born on March 24, 1925, in Fulton, she was the daughter of Ralph and Minnie (Bruce) Eytcheson. On Sept. 27, 1947, she married William Zimpleman, the love of her life, and was married 49 years before his passing on Sept. 14, 1996.

Bonnie's life was committed to helping Bill farm. She cooked countless meals for both her family and their help, assisted with paperwork and bookkeeping and raised their children. As a lifelong member of the Fulton Baptist Temple, she was also a longtime treasurer of the Fulton Baptist Ladies Missionary. She was most happy being at home enjoying her family, friends and church.

She is survived by sons Gene Zimpleman and wife Mary, Grand Rapids, Mich., Jack Zimpleman and wife Diane, Fulton, as well as Andy Curtis and wife Deb. Andy was like another son to her and spent 40 years as part of her life. In addition, she is survived by eight grandchildren, Angie (Paul) Deming, Ryan (Lisa) Zimpleman, Greg (Camile) Zimpleman and Laura (Jason) Woolever, all of Fulton, Kyle (Kimberly) Zimpleman, South Lyon, Mich., Todd (Nicole) Zimpleman, Niles, Mich., Marla Zimpleman, South Bend, and Garrett Robinson, Grand Rapids, Mich.; and 14 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, brother and infant twin sons.

Her funeral service is 10 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 3, 2015, in the Gundrum Funeral Home, 1603 Broadway, Logansport, with pastor Bruce Russell officiating. Burial is at the Fulton Cemetery.

Visitation is from 4-7 p.m. today.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Fulton Baptist Temple, P.O. Box 186, Fulton, IN 46931 or the Fulton Community Center, 323 E. 600 South, Rochester, IN 46975.

You may sign the guest book and send online condolences at [www.gundrumcares.com](http://www.gundrumcares.com).

### **James F. Rupp**

James F. RUPP, 96, Rochester, died Tuesday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

Survivors include his daughters, Barbara Hart, Rochester, Norma Easterday, Winamac, and Cindy Eastwood, Rochester; and sons Chuck Rupp, Akron, Paul Rupp, Terre Haute, Frank Rupp, Rochester, and Bill Lee, California.

Graveside service is 2:30 p.m. today at Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Arrangements are by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

Saturday, January 3, 2015

**Barbara E. Briney**

Barbara E. BRINEY, 59, Rochester, died Thursday at her residence.

Survivors include her husband, Michael Briney; daughter Heather Briney; parents John and Elnora Sayger; and two brothers, Tim Sayger and Ronnie Sayger, all of Rochester.

Her funeral service is 10 a.m. Wednesday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation from 4-8 p.m. Tuesday and one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

**Virgil D. Freels**

Virgil D. FREELS, 72, Marstontown, died Friday at his residence. Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna.

Monday, January 5, 2015

**Joanne N. Bendall**

Joanne N. BENDALL, 86, Rochester, died Friday in Indianapolis.

Her funeral service is 1:30 p.m. Saturday at the First Baptist Church, Rochester. Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Friday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, and one hour prior to service at the church Saturday.

**Barbara E. Briney**

Aug. 16, 1955 – Jan. 1, 2015

Mrs. Barbara E. BRINEY, 59, Rochester, passed away unexpectedly at 3:55 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 1, 2015, at her residence.

On Aug. 16, 1955, Barbara was born in Rochester, the cherished daughter of John and Elnora Tyler Sayger. Growing up, she shared her childhood with two brothers, Tim and Ronnie. In 1973, with great Zebra pride, she graduated with her class from Rochester High School.

Michael E. Briney and Barbara were married on Sept. 18, 1976, in The First Christian Church, Rochester. They shared 38 years of life's adventures. Their union produced a beautiful daughter, Heather. Another generation was added to the family tree with the arrival of two grandchildren.

For many years Barbara and Michael oversaw a fine herd of 40 sows, including Durocs, black and white spots and Hampshire. They raised the baby pigs to fat hogs, and then they marketed them. Each spring she planted a large garden, freezing and canning the bountiful harvest each fall. Paramount in grandma Barbara's life were her grandchildren. To relax, she enjoyed a unique variety of solitaire games.

Barbara is lovingly remembered by her husband, Michael; daughter Heather Briney, Rochester; two grandchildren, Cheyenne and Dakota Lindsley; parents John

and Elnora Sayger, Rochester; two brothers, Tim Sayger and wife Linda, Rochester, and Ronnie Sayger and wife Tina, Rochester; two sisters-in-law, Kim Caudill and husband Kevin, Rochester, and Joyce Hassenplug and husband Charlie, Rochester; and nieces and nephews Makaila and Abby Caudill, Ed Hassenplug, Missy Kowal and husband Rob, Kara Martindale, Katelyn Sayger, Nicholas Sayger, Rebecca Rude and Laura Calvert.

Preceding Barbara in death are her grandparents, several aunts and uncles and her treasured canine companion, Peanut, a brindle, black and tan Chihuahua.

A celebration of the life of Barbara is 10 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 7, 2015, at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with pastor Bob Metzger officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 4-8 p.m. Tuesday and one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

Interment is to be at Richland Center Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Mt Hope Church, 7022 W. 700 North, Rochester, IN 46975 or the Northern Indiana Community Foundation Animal Education Center, 715 Main St, Rochester, IN 46975. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to Barbara's family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Virgil D. 'Boogie' Freels**

June 27, 1942 – Jan. 2, 2015

Virgil D. 'Boogie' FREELS, 72, Marshtown, passed away unexpectedly Friday, Jan. 2, 2015, at his residence.

Born on June 27, 1942, in Marshtown, he was the son of the late Walter and Frances (Thiel) Freels. Virgil helped take care of his parents for many years and he also worked for several farmers through the years.

He enjoyed collecting toys, and he never knew a stranger.

Survivors include his brothers, Kenneth Freels, Florida, Walter Freels Jr., Fulton, Gene Freels (Shirley), Fulton, Audry Freels, Rochester, Clayton Freels (Sharon), Kewanna, and Roger Freels, Kewanna; and sisters Edith Hacker, Ohio, Shirley Shephard, Indianapolis, Katrina Clevenger (Jim), Rochester, and twin sister Vivian King, Rochester.

His funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 6, 2015, at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel.

Visitation is 5-7 p.m. today, Jan. 5, 2015, at the funeral home.

Burial is to be at Grass Creek Cemetery.

Please sign the online guest book or leave a condolence for the Freels family at [www.ransfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com).

### **Philip Ray Gatliff**

Nov. 18, 1924 – Jan. 2, 2015

Philip Ray GATLIFF, 90, passed away to his heavenly home on Jan. 2, 2015.

He was born in Rockcastle County, Ky., on Nov. 18, 1924, the oldest son of Wilburn and Stella Gatliff, on Scaffold Cane Road, Berea, Ky. He is survived by his daughters, Gail Wahl (Bob), Ashland, Ohio, and Phyllis Snyder (Tim), Versailles, Ky. He was a loving grandfather to grandsons Josh Heckathorn (Beth), Chico, Calif., and Griffin Heckathorn (Christina), Lexington, Ky.; and granddaughters Angela Paulin (Sam), Delaware, Ohio, Amy Stoner, Wayne, Ohio, and Allison Stone, Versailles, Ky. He was also proud of his 14 great-grandchildren. Philip has one sister who remains, Ruth Given (Kenny), Nampa, Idaho. He is also survived by many nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife of 64 years, Ruth Reppert Gatliff; his brothers, Bert and Marvin Gatliff; and his sister, Lucy Boughton.

Philip was raised in the Berea, Ky., area until the age of 15 when his family moved to Wellington, Ohio. He was a World War II veteran, serving his country in Germany, Japan and the Philippines. Soon after his discharge in 1946, he and Ruth Reppert, Fairview, Ky., were married.

Philip worked in Lorain, Ohio, at Lehman's Bakery and in 1957, they moved to New London, Ohio, where he worked for many years at Nickles Bakery. He was transferred as manager of the bakery to Rochester. He retired from the bakery after 25 years but continued to work. He was employed by Sealed Power, Rochester, until his final retirement in 1996. Philip and Ruth then moved back to Berea, Ky.

He was a member of the Rotary Club, and they both were active members of Gethsemane Baptist Church where he served as a deacon. Following the death of his wife, Philip moved to Daisy Hill Senior Living facility, Versailles, Ky., where he enjoyed the remainder of his life.

Philip will be greatly missed by his family and friends. He was a man of honor, integrity and honesty and was a precious blessing to all who knew him.

His funeral service is 11 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 7, 2015, at Lakes Funeral Home, Berea, Ky., with Rev. Ed Cortez officiating. Burial is to follow in the Berea Cemetery with military honors. Visitation is Tuesday evening from 5-7 p.m. at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to Gethsemane Baptist Church, 775 Old US Hwy 25 North, Berea, KY 40403, Attn: Pastor Ed Cortez.

### **Earl Martin Jr.**

Earl MARTIN Jr., 91, Avon, formerly of Rochester, died Friday at Manor Care Health Services-Prestwick, Avon.

No funeral service is scheduled at this time.

Arrangements are by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.



Tuesday, January 6, 2015

**Wilma P. McCray**

July 2, 1930 - Jan. 4, 2015

Wilma P. McCRAYc 84, Rochester, passed away at 6:58 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 4, 2015, at Hickory Creek, Rochester.

She was born on July 2, 1930, in Milford, Ill., the daughter of Willard and Tressie (Doud) McCay. On March 28, 1953, in Goodwine, Ill., she married Lloyd S. McCray, and he survives.

Mrs. McCray was a homemaker and worked for Rochester Community Schools. She was a member of First Baptist Church, Rochester. In her spare time she enjoyed crocheting, collecting dolls, sewing, crafts and taking care of her family.

Survivors include her husband, Lloyd S. McCray, Rochester; children Melody and husband Greg Dalton, Fulton, Melvin 'Skip' and wife Cindy McCray, Kokomo, and Kevin and wife Debbie McCray, Bedford; grandchildren Walter Dalton, Terre Haute, Brad and wife Jody Dalton, Fulton, Joshua McCray, Warsaw, Nicollette and husband Jon Meradeth, Warsaw, and Evan McCray, Bedford; five great-grandchildren; and brother Robert and wife Pat McCay, Milford.

She was preceded in death by her parents and two sisters.

Her funeral service is 11 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 8, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with Dr. Mark Spencer officiating. Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Wednesday and one hour prior to service Thursday at the funeral home.

Burial is to be at Fulton Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the First Baptist Church.

Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

Wednesday, January 7, 2014

**Alice 'Joanne' Newcomb Bendall**

Feb. 24, 1928 - Jan. 2, 2015

Alice 'Joanne' Newcomb BENDALL passed away Jan. 2, 2015, with her daughter at her side.

Born Feb. 24, 1928, on her family's farm in Rochester, Bendall devoted her life to education, serving her community and continuing her family's farming tradition as a sixth-generation Fulton County farmer.

She attended Purdue University on a 4-H scholarship and began teaching in 1949. By 1963, Bendall was a single parent, balancing teaching, parenting and serving as business manager for her parents' livestock auction on Saturdays. Two nights a week she drove to Purdue, earning her first master's degree. Years later, she earned her EPDA at Indiana State.

No underdog, disadvantaged student or struggling initiative had a more tenacious friend. She was a fierce advocate for what she believed to be right. Prestige meant nothing. Integrity and productivity meant all.

Bendall began at South Bend's Riley High School in 1963, moving to Jackson High School and then "downtown" to become director of home economics in 1971. Her duties immediately expanded and in 1995, she was named director of adult and vocational education.

Gov. Evan Bayh appointed Bendall to the Indiana State Fair Board in 1993, and Gov. Frank O'Bannon reappointed her. A champion of agriculture and 4-H, she told stories of staying in the "new" Indiana State Fair Coliseum when she was a teenage 4-H'er!

She begrudgingly "retired" in 1998, because her daughter thought it was time for a 70-year-old woman to stop commuting 100 miles a day through northern Indiana's fickle weather. Bendall worried that all the fun would be over. Everyone who knew her knew that was unlikely.

The Fulton County Community Foundation appointed Bendall president in 2006. She founded the Fulton County 4-H Fund and set a fundraising goal of \$25,000 for the first year. People scoffed. The goal was met in three months. Never (never) satisfied, Bendall set a personal goal to help raise \$100,000 for the fund, and that goal was achieved in December 2013. Telling her something was impossible only meant that the glint in her eye grew brighter.

Honors included: IVA Merit Award, IVHEA Outstanding Service Award, South Bend YMCA Woman of the Year, Women's Fest Lifetime Achievement Award and Purdue University's Hidden Diamond Award. She was a member of Phi Delta Kappa, Delta Kappa Gamma, Tri-Kappa and First Baptist Church, Rochester.

Bendall is survived by her daughter, JoEllen Bendall; and nieces Cindi Smith Webb (Joe), Lynne Smith Seiler (T.J.), Peg Smith and Katie Smith Connor (Bill).

She is preceded in death by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl (Alice) Newcomb and her sister, Marcia Newcomb Smith (Roger).

Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 9 at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, 1101 Jefferson St., Rochester, where a Tri-Kappa Memorial service will be conducted at 4:30 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

Her funeral service is 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 10 at First Baptist Church, 10th and Main streets, Rochester. Visitation is an hour before the service.

Memorials may be made to the Joanne N. and JoEllen Bendall Fund at the Northern Indiana Community Foundation, P.O. Box 807, Rochester, with proceeds used for Fulton County scholarships or to the charity of your choice. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

**Joseph M. Rentschler**

Sept. 6, 1929 - Jan. 6, 2015

Joseph Melvin RENTSCHLER, Mint Hill, N.C., and formerly of Fulton, passed away on Jan. 6, 2015.

He was born Sept. 6, 1929, to George and O'Dessa (Buchanan) Rentschler.

He is survived by his children, Ronald and wife Sherry, Mint Hill, Rhonda and husband Jerry Heckathorn, Rochester, and Edward and wife Sue, Marshall, Ill.; grandchildren James Rentschler, North Carolina, Jeff and wife Wendy Rentschler, Eastover, N.C., Jason Rentschler, Texas, Jacque and husband Daniel Sullivan, San Antonio, Texas, Robert D. and wife Diana Powell, Rochester, Nick and wife Mandy Rentschler, Brownsburg, Kent and wife Amanda Rentschler, Georgetown, and Christy and husband Ben Kappas, Terre Haute; several great-grandchildren; his sister Helen King, Fulton; and his brother Raymond and wife Nellene Rentschler, Fulton.

He was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers, Carol and Byron, and a brother-in-law, Lyman King.

There will be no services at his request.

Memorial contributions may be made to Shriners Hospital for Children.

**Forest 'Frosty' Harvey Montgomery**

Jan. 21, 1922 - Jan. 5, 2015

Forest 'Frosty' Harvey MONTGOMERY, 92, Greenwood, formerly of Logansport, passed away at 7:15 a.m. Monday, Jan. 5, 2015, at Aspen Trace, Greenwood.

Born Jan. 21, 1922, in Van Buren Township, Pulaski County, he was the son of the late Everett Henry and Lena (Kimbell) Montgomery.

On Dec. 28, 1941, he married Alice Irene (Bonnell) Montgomery, who survives. He and Alice were married for 73 years.

Forest was a farmer and a former locomotive engineer with the Pennsylvania Railroad and the Penn Central Railroad. He also held two terms as the clerk of Cass County and two terms as the treasurer of Cass County. Along with his wife Alice, he co-owned Montgomery Realty in the Logansport area. He was a member of the Main Street United Methodist Church and a longtime member of the board of the Logansport Savings Bank. He was also a longtime member of the Democratic Party and after retirement, he enjoyed spending winters with his wife in North Fort Myers, Fla.

Forest served in the U.S. Army from September 1942 until he was honorably discharged in November 1945. He served as a locomotive engineer with the Persian Gulf Command in what was then called Persia.

Forest is survived by his wife, Alice Irene Montgomery, Greenwood; daughter Marsha Lynn (David) Sander, Indianapolis; son Philip (Paula Dittrick) Montgomery,

Houston; granddaughters Sarah Elaine (Sam) Schilling, Northampton, Mass., Elizabeth Irene Sander, Indianapolis, and Anna Michelle (Adam) King, Greenwood; grandson Zachary Hugo (Elissa) Sander, Mesa, Ariz.; brothers Junior Harold (Bonnie) Montgomery, Rochester, and Donald (Betty) Montgomery, Peru; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, Everett Henry Montgomery, mother Lena (Kimbell) Montgomery, and brother Darrell Everett Montgomery.

A celebration of life service is to be conducted at 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 10, 2015, in the Gundrum Funeral Home, Logansport, with Pastor Damon Soper officiating. Visitation is one hour prior to the services at the funeral home Saturday.

Burial with full military rites will be at the Buck Cemetery in Thornhope.

You may sign the guest book and send online condolences at [www.gundrumcares.com](http://www.gundrumcares.com).

### **John L. Reasoner Jr.**

John L. REASONER Jr., 85, Rochester, died Tuesday at Woodlawn Hospital. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

### **Eunice Rusler**

Eunice RUSLER, 89, Plymouth, died Monday.

Survivors include her daughters, Pam Walters, Plymouth, and Kathy Croussore, LaPorte.

Her funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Friday at Van Gilder Funeral Home, Plymouth, with visitation from 5-7 p.m. Thursday.

Thursday, January 8, 2015

### **John L. Reasoner Jr.**

Oct. 26, 1929 - Jan. 6, 2015

John L. REASONER Jr., 85, Rochester, passed away at 10:11 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 6, 2015, at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

He was born on Oct. 26, 1929, in Decatur, the son of John L. and Esther (Gable) Reasoner Sr. He served with the U.S. Navy during the Korean War. On June 16, 1957, in Upland, he married Barbara Pinkerton, and she survives.

Mr. Reasoner worked as a diesel mechanic and heavy equipment operator as well as working at the Ball Corp., Muncie, and Fisher Body, Marion. Upon moving to Rochester, he became maintenance supervisor at Geneva Center, Rochester. He spent time in Saudi Arabia as a landscaping supervisor and retired from Coachman Vans, Elkhart. He was a member of the Community Presbyterian Church, Rochester, and

was an active volunteer with United Ministries Food Pantry. In his spare time, he enjoyed woodworking, auto mechanics, stamp and coin collecting.

Survivors include his wife, Barbara Reasoner, Rochester; children Ryan L. and wife Teresa Reasoner, Rochester, Terri L. Reasoner-Landfald and husband Patrick Landfald, Geneva, Ill., and Nancy L. Starkey and fiance James Barker, Rochester; six grandchildren, Kara Starkey, Leah Starkey, Hannah Starkey, all of Fort Wayne, Trista Hopper, Effingham, Ill., Shane Reasoner, Myrtle Beach, S.C., and Matthew Reasoner, Rochester; seven great-grandchildren; and sisters Jeannine Stinson, Fort Wayne, and Barbara Pemberton, Ashville, N.C.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

His memorial service is 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 11, 2015, at Community Presbyterian Church, Rochester, with Rev. Bill Kleymann and Rev. David Smook officiating. Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 10, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Community Presbyterian Church, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Bernice Hartz**

Bernice HARTZ, 99, Leiters Ford, died Tuesday at Miller's Merry Manor, Culver. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Friday, January 9, 2015

### **Pauline B. 'Polly' Kuhn**

Aug. 30, 1931 - Jan. 7, 2015

Pauline B. 'Polly' KUHN, 83, Mentone, passed away at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 7, 2015, at her residence.

She was born Aug. 30, 1931, in Akron, the daughter of John Otis and Pearl (Hart) Whittenberger. On May 18, 1951, she married Bernard D. Kuhn at the Beaver Dam United Methodist Church, Akron, and he survives.

In 1949, Polly graduated from Beaver Dam High School.

Polly was a homemaker. She enjoyed gardening, cooking and making pies, and most of all raising her family. She was a member of the Burket United Methodist Church and was always known for her friendliness.

Survivors include her husband, Bernard Kuhn, Mentone; daughters Beverly and husband Randy Romine, Etna Green, and Brenda and husband Donnie Lynch, Warsaw; sons Jeff Kuhn, Burket, and Greg and wife Lee Kuhn, Burket; seven grandchildren, Kerry, Cory, Kylie, Kayla, Ashley, Hannah, and Lacey; and seven great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her sister, Deloris Young, infant twin brother Kenneth, and brothers Richard, Robert and Donald Whittenberger.

Her funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 10, 2015, at King Memorial Home, 101 North Tucker St., Mentone, with pastor Gary Loy officiating. Visitation is 3-7 p.m. today, Jan. 9, 2015, at the funeral home.

Interment is at Harrison Center Cemetery, Etna Green.

Memorial contributions may be made to Kosciusko County Home Care and Hospice or the Burket United Methodist Church.

Share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

Saturday, January 10, 2015

### **Bernice Hartz**

Bernice HARTZ, 99, Leiters Ford, died Tuesday at Miller's Merry Manor, Culver.

Survivors include a daughter, Carol Lahman, Rochester; a son, Michael Hartz, Valparaiso; and one sister, Dorothy Talbott, Plymouth.

Her funeral service is noon Wednesday, Jan. 14, 2015, at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation two hours prior to service at the funeral home.

### **Merle L. McGowen**

Merle L. McGOWEN, 89, Rochester, died Friday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

Survivors include his wife, Betty L. McGowen, Rochester; and sons Michael P. McGowen, Scipio, and David L. McGowen, Rochester.

His funeral service is noon Tuesday, Jan. 13, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation is from 5-7 p.m. Monday at the funeral home and one hour prior to service.

### **Craig Foster**

Craig FOSTER, 61, Kewanna, died Friday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

### **Frank A. Harley**

Frank A. HARLEY, 68, Argos, died Wednesday at his residence. Arrangements are pending at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

Monday, January 12, 2015

**Merle L. McGowen**

July 31, 1925 - Jan. 9, 2015

Merle L. McGOWEN, 89, Rochester, passed away at 9:05 a.m., Friday, January 9, 2015, at Life Care Center, Rochester.

He was born on July 31, 1925, in Fulton County to Thomas Melburn and Pearl M. (Pfund) McGowen. He graduated from Talma High School in May, 1943 and on May 18, 1952, he married Betty L. Snyder of Rochester.

Merle was a farmer and also served the Rochester community as U.S. Postal clerk and later as a rural carrier for 42 years before retiring in 1987. He was a former member of Trinity United Methodist Church and in 2010, became a member of the new Talma Church. He was a member of the Rochester IOOF Lodge #47 and an associate member of the former Richland Center Lodge #435, a past IOOF Grand Master of the State of Indiana from 1994-1995, a member of the Subordinate Lodge of the IOOF Mt. Horeb Encampment – Canton #9 of South Bend, and the Evergreen Rebekah Lodge #57. He was also a past member of the Rochester VFW Lodge, Talma Lions Club and a charter member of the Fulton County Coon Hunters.

Merle served the U.S. Army from April 1951 and was stationed in Tokyo, Japan during the Korean War. He was honorably discharged in March, 1957.

He is survived by his wife, Betty, sons, Col. (Ret.) Michael McGowen, PE (Janie) and David McGowen, (Karen), grandson, Maj. Matthew McGowen (Laura) and granddaughter, Jennifer (Sgt. David) Herr, great-grandchildren, Michael, Landon and Ryan Charles McGowen, June, Mikaela and Eliana Smith and Chloe Herr.

He was preceded in death by his parents, sisters Tressa Eiler, Bertha Johnson and Ignota Vandergrift, and by brothers John, Howard, and infant brother Kenneth.

His funeral service is noon, Tuesday, January 13, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, 1101 Jefferson Street, Rochester, with Reverend Donald Nunemaker officiating. Visitation is 5-7 p.m. Monday, January 12, at the funeral home and one hour before the service. Odd Fellows Memorial Service will take place at 7 P.M. Monday at the funeral home.

Internment is at Hamlet Cemetery, just south of Talma, Indiana.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Talma Church or to the charity of your choice.

Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com)

**Bernice Hartz**

Sept. 30, 1915 - Jan. 6, 2015

Mrs. Bernice HARTZ, 99 years three months and six days, departed this life at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 6, 2015, at Miller's Merry Manor, Culver.

A lifelong resident of the Leiters Ford area for nearly a century, Bernice was born on Sept. 30, 1915, in Delong, as a cherished daughter of Grover and Pearl Bunnell Kline. Growing up, she shared her childhood with six sisters and one brother.

Bernice and C.E. Mike Hartz married on her 20th birthday in Rochester. Together they shared 59 years of life's adventures. He passed away Sept. 25, 1994. Their union produced a daughter and two sons. Over the years, three more generations have been added to the family tree.

As a homemaker, Bernice was always busy. The times with her grandchildren were cherished. To relax, she enjoyed reading and watching TV. She was a member of the Leiters Ford United Methodist Church where she served as treasurer for a number of years.

Left to cherish Bernice's memory are a daughter, Carol Lahman, Rochester; a son, Michael Hartz and wife Gloria, Valparaiso; seven grandchildren, Chris Hartz, Kerry Hartz, Karen Noel, Brad Lahman, Barry Lahman, Penny Cox and Scott Hartz; 14 great-grandchildren; seven great-great-grandchildren; one sister, Dorothy Talbott, Plymouth; daughter-in-law Sally Andrews, Seattle, Wash.; and several nieces and nephews.

Preceding Bernice in death are her parents; husband; son Jerry Hartz; five sisters, June Welling, Margaret Corbin, Betty Stayton, Wilhelmine "Martha" Ginther and Frances Bowersox; a brother, Robert Kline; and son-in-law Dean Lahman.

A celebration of the life of Bernice Hartz is noon Wednesday, January 14, 2015, at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with pastor Nancy Foster officiating. Friends may visit with the family two hours prior to the service at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made in her name to the Leiters Ford United Methodist Church or to the Fulton County Cancer Fund through the Northern Indiana Community Foundation, 715 Main St., Rochester, IN 46975 to honor her daughter, Carol, as a cancer survivor.

Online expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).



**Beverly T. Hile**

Feb. 9, 1969 – Jan. 10, 2015

Beverly T. HILE, 45, Rochester, passed away at 9:56 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 10, 2015, at Aperion Care Nursing Home, Peru.

She was born in Elkhart on Feb. 9, 1969. She worked for Lau Industries, Rochester, as a Certified Nurse Aid at local nursing homes and for Four Seasons Mobile Home Estates.

Survivors include her children, Victoria Smith, Georgetown, Clifford Smith, Rochester, Virginia Higginbotham, South Bend, and Laura Higginbotham, Rochester; seven grandchildren; mother Betty Thornton, Rochester; sisters Joyce Harding, Mentone, Janet Schoonover, Wheaton, Ill., and Belinda Thornton, Cookeville, Tenn.; and brothers Bruce Wiard, Macy, and Brad Thornton, Cookeville, Tenn.

Her memorial service is 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 13, 2015, at Riverview Community Church, 3780 State Road 110, Tippecanoe, with the Rev. Rod Ruberg officiating.

Arrangements are by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, Indiana.

Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

**Frank A. Harley**

Frank A. HARLEY, 68, Argos, died Wednesday at his residence.

Survivors include his wife, Georgia Harley, Argos; sons Brian and Brad Snyder, Argos; and brothers W. L. Harley, Argos, and John R. Harley, South Bend.

His funeral service is 1 p.m. Saturday at the James L. Corey American Legion Post No. 68, Argos, with visitation two hours prior to the service at the legion.

Arrangements are by Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

**Rodney A. Lyons**

Rodney A. LYONS, 46, Rochester, died Saturday at Woodlawn Hospital. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Rosanna Forney**

Rosanna FORNEY, 88, Rochester, died Saturday at Woodlawn Hospital. Arrangements are pending at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

**William Day**

William DAY, 88, of Roann, Indiana died at 4:49 pm, Sunday, January 11, 2015 at his residence.

Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron, Indiana.  
Tuesday, January 13, 2015

**William D. “Bill” Day**

Dec. 19, 1926 – Jan. 11, 2015

William D. “Bill” DAY, 88, rural Roann, died at 4:49 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 11, 2015, at his residence.

He was born Dec. 19, 1926, in Wabash County, to Howard and Ruth (Gilliland) Day. On Jan. 25, 1992, in Akron, he married Mary Nicodemus Emmons. She survives. Bill was a dairy farmer. He was a lifetime farmer. He also delivered “The Paper” of Wabash and the Ft. Wayne Journal Gazette. He served his country in the U.S. Army serving during WWII in the Philippines. He was a 67-year member of the Laketon American Legion as well as a lifetime member of the VFW of Rochester. He was also a former member of the Laketon Lions Club. He loved his dog Buddy and enjoyed tractors, especially his D-17 Allis-Chalmers, which he bought new in 1964.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Day, Roann; daughters Linda and husband Mark Bristow, Omaha, Ark., and Paula and husband Randy Hackworth, Roann; sons Richard “Dick” and wife Renee Day, Denver, De and wife Joyce Day, Roann, and William David and wife Kathy Day, Mentone; 13 grandchildren, 27 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren; sisters Annie and husband Jordan Hudson, Roann, Darla and husband John Eads, Servia, Esta Alice and husband Carl Good, Servia, Phyllis Vandekamp, North Manchester, Peggy and husband Earl McCollough, Logansport, Liddy and husband Ken Crowel, Yuma, Ariz.; and brother Morris and wife Judy Day, North Manchester.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Roberta K. “Wink” Emmons; a granddaughter, Kimberly Day; and brothers Ralph Jr., Rich, Newt and Gene Day.

Funeral service is 10:30 a.m., Thursday, Jan. 15, 2015, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Pastor Chad McAtee officiating. Burial will be at Athens Cemetery, Athens, with graveside military rites performed by the American Legion. Visitation is 4-8 p.m., Wednesday, Jan. 14, 2015, at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

Memorial Contributions may be made to Laketon American Legion.

To share a Memory or send an online Condolence visit [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

**Craig Foster**

Craig “Sam” FOSTER, 61, Rochester died at 7:28 a.m. Friday at Woodlawn Hospital.

He is survived by a daughter, Melissa Foster; a son, Nicholas Foster, Plymouth; and his brother, Steven Foster, Rochester.

His celebration of life will be in the spring of 2015. Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, is handling arrangements.

**Mrs. Rosanna Forney**

Aug. 15, 1926 – Jan. 10, 2015

Mrs. Rosanna FORNEY, 88, of Rochester, went home to be with her Lord and Savior at 6:26 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 10 at Woodlawn Hospital.

On August 15, 1926, Rosanna was born in Frankfort to Milton and Goldie Duddleston Weaver. Proudly she graduated from Frankfort High School in 1944.

Rosanna and the love of her life, Robert Lee Forney, were married on July 30, 1945, in the Shenandoah Baptist Church of Columbia, S.C. They shared 65 years of life’s adventures. Their union produced four daughters and one son. Two more generations have been added to the family tree. Rosanna cherished the time she spent with her family and grandkids. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Rochester.

Rosanna will be lovingly remembered by her husband, Robert, and five children, Kathy Siders and husband Maurice of Rochester, William Scott Forney and wife Judith of Denton, Texas, Suzanne Halsey and husband Denny of Angola, Rebecca Morris and husband Butch of Denver, Kristie Brooks and husband Chad of Rochester; six grandsons, Marvin Siders, Andrew Halsey, Jason Morris, William Forney, Tyler Brooks and Aaron Brooks; one great-granddaughter and four great-grandsons.

Preceding Rosanna in death are her parents; seven siblings, Cyril, Thomas, Gladdy, Margaret, Betty and two in infancy.

A celebration of the life of Rosanna Forney will be at 2:30 p.m., Wednesday, January 14, 2015, in the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Rev. Andrew Halsey officiating. Friends may visit with the family one hour prior to the service in the funeral home.

Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorial contributions, in lieu of flowers, may be made to Gentiva Hospice, 1476 W. 18th St., Rochester, IN 46975 Online expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

**Mae Ringle**

Mae RINGLE, 93, Rochester, died at 10:40 a.m., Monday at Hickory Creek of Rochester. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Rodney A. Lyons**

July 9, 1968 – Jan. 10, 2015

Rodney Alan LYONS, 46, of Rochester, passed away at 3:39 a.m. on Saturday, January 10, 2015, at Woodlawn Hospital.

On July 9, 1968, Rodney was born in Lynnwood, Wash., to Edward George and Lucille Zuleger Lyons. Growing up, he shared his childhood with four sisters and one brother.

Rodney was a professional truck driver and often traveled coast to coast. He had a great sense of humor and was known to be quite the prankster. Watching old movies and westerns, especially starring John Wayne, was a favorite pastime. As an armchair quarterback, he cheered on the Fighting Irish of Notre Dame and the Cheeseheads of Green Bay. Logan's Roadhouse was his restaurant of choice, but he also enjoyed meatloaf, pizza, chili and a simple PB&J on toast.

Left to cherish Rodney's memory are his son, Edward George Lyons I of Rochester; his mother, Lucille Cooley and husband Shorty of Rochester; four sisters, Diane McClure and husband Daniel of Hampden, Me., Pamela Tape and husband David of Iron River, Mich., Karen Pluger and companion Richard of Clintonville, Wis., Brenda Higgins and husband Kenneth of Green Bay, Wis.; one brother, Michael Lyons and companion Kathy of Lake Geneva, Wis.; and three canine companions, Harley and Cuddles, both German Shepherds, and Rocky the Boxer; 15 nieces and nephews, Christopher, Brittany, Mikayla, Robert, Justin, Matthew, Melissa, Paige, Bobbi Jo, Bonnie, William, Whitney, Jeremiah, Megan and Nicholas; and many special friends.

Preceding Rodney in death are his father and grandparents.

A celebration of the life of Rodney Alan Lyons will be at 6 p.m. Wednesday, January 14, 2015, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Chaplain Jason See officiating. Friends may visit with the family one hour prior to the service in the funeral home.

Online expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

**Amanda L. Stafford**

Amanda L. STAFFORD, 37, Maple Street, Argos, died at 9:15 a.m. Monday at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth. Arrangements are pending with the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

## **Marianne Moloch**

Feb. 24, 1943 – Jan. 11, 2015

Marianne MOLOCH, 71, of Kokomo, entered into the glory of Heaven Sunday, January 11, 2015, at 12:20 a.m. from her residence.

She was born Feb. 24, 1943, in Elwood to the late Edgar and Elizabeth (Teal) Spidel. On May 5, 1976, in Atlanta she married Sam Moloch, and he survives.

She was a homemaker who also worked at Ramada Inn in Kokomo and Laughners Cafeteria. She enjoyed reading her Bible. She enjoyed other people and never met a stranger. She liked going antiquing and would happen to find an antique she “just had to have.” In 1997 she and her husband Sam lived in Rochester for a new career for Sam. Then in 2010 after Sam’s retirement from truck driving, they returned home to Kokomo. They noticed how the old town had changed over their 13-year departure, but there were still places to go antiquing and there were a lot more places to dine out. As they would tell each other on occasion, “It’s been a heck of a ride and would do it all again.” She will be greatly missed by all who enjoyed her fighting spirit from her serious health problems. She always looked forward to what the future might bring her. She would face the problems and move forward. “Sweetheart, we all love you.”

Survivors include her husband, Samuel Gene Moloch of Kokomo; children Kimberly (Michael) Shepard of Cicero, David Wayne (companion Ruth) Worthman of Tipton, Gregory Joshua (Deborah Kay) Moloch of Kokomo; brother Dennis Lee (Frances) Spidel of Mesa, Ariz; six grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Funeral service will be 1 p.m. Thursday, January 15, 2015, at Ellers Mortuary, Webster Street Chapel, 3400 S. Webster St., Kokomo. Pastor David Osborne will officiate. Burial will follow in Crown Point Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday at the mortuary.

Memorials may be directed to the American Heart Association or the Humane Society. You may read Marianne’s obituary at [www.ellersmortuary.com](http://www.ellersmortuary.com), where you can sign the guest book, order flowers or share a personal message to the family.

Wednesday, January 14, 2015

**Mrs. Mae Ringle**

Sept. 21, 1921 – Jan. 12, 2015

Mrs. Mae RINGLE, 93, of Rochester, left this earth and made it to her eternal heavenly home at 10:40 a.m. Monday, Jan. 12, 2015, surrounded by her loving family at Hickory Creek of Rochester.

On Sept. 1, 1921, Mae was born in Hawkins County, Tenn., to Rome Ott and Mary Maude White McClain. Growing up she shared her childhood with five sisters and a brother.

In Star City, on Dec. 25, 1941, Calvin Earl Ringle married the love of his life, Mae McClain Ringle, at the home of the bride's parents. Together they shared nearly 62 years of life's adventures. From their union came two daughters and three sons. He passed away on March 30, 2003.

Mae was a loyal member of the First Church of God for many years. After nearly 30 years of service, she retired as a quality inspector from Hart Schaffner Marx of Rochester. Memberships include Amalgamated Clothing Union, the Ladies Auxiliaries of the VFW, Moose and Eagles of Rochester.

As the proud matriarch of the Ringle family, Grandma oversaw five generations. Her family always visited on Sundays. She is remembered for her extraordinary culinary abilities, serving varieties of jellos and cakes. Most in demand was her banana-split cake. Always busy with her hands, she crocheted afghans for all of her grandchildren, great grandchildren and the great-greats!

Hickory Creek was home to Mae for the past three years. She loved the family of friends she made there. One of the highlights of her week was the visit of two of her great-great-granddaughters.

Left to cherish Mae's memory are two daughters, Karon Patterson and husband Richard of Lynchburg, Va., Mary Westwood and husband Edward of Rochester; one son, Rick Ringle and companion Marilyn Vote of Kokomo; daughter-in-law Linda Ringle of Rochester; 11 grandchildren, Fred Kee, Calvin Kee, Rebecca Holt, Penni Sharp, Jennifer Overmyer, Joanna Sagun, Brian Ringle, Tracy Overmyer, Scott Westwood, Kim Westwood, Angela Westwood; two sisters-in-law, Alice Dillard and husband Bernard of Wabash, Nancy Stiles of Mentone; 16 great-grandchildren and nine great-great-grandchildren. Several nieces and nephews also survive. Preceding Mae in death are her parents; husband; two sons, Gary Ringle and Jerry Ringle; five sisters, Fannie Opal, Bessie Loretta, Margaret Louise, Lottie Marie, Pearl Irene; one brother, William Arthur; and eight siblings in infancy.

A celebration of the life of Mae Ringle will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 15, 2015, in the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester with Rev. Don Meyer officiating. Friends may visit with the family two hours prior to the service in the funeral home. Interment will be in the Citizens Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Hickory Creek at Rochester, 340 E. 18th St., Rochester, IN 46975 or to The Fulton County Council On Aging, 625 Pontiac St., Rochester, IN 46975. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

**Leamon E. “Lum” Ackerman**

Dec. 2, 1936 – Jan. 12, 2015

Leamon E. “Lum” ACKERMAN, 78, of Grass Creek, went home with his Lord and Savior at 4:45 p.m., Monday, Jan. 12, 2015, at Miller’s Merry Manor in Logansport.

Born on Dec. 2, 1936, in Fox, Ark., he was the son of the late Arthur and Esther (Smith) Ackerman. On May 13, 1967, he married Kathryn “Kathy” Brown.

Lum retired in 1998 from the Fulton County Highway Department and was formerly employed at Byers Landfill in Logansport. He also had farmed in his earlier years.

He was a proud member of the NRA. Lum also was an avid fisherman who loved animals, driving his trucks and spending time with his friends at the local restaurants.

Survivors include his wife, Kathryn “Kathy” Ackerman of Grass Creek; children Audry Gard (Fred) of Kokomo, Karen Sue LeVeque (Jim) of Lake Odessa, Mich., Andrew Curtis (Deb) of Fulton, Randall Curtis of Logansport, Michael Curtis (Linda) of Logansport and Robert Zimmerman of Amory, Miss. He also is survived by 14 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

He also was preceded in death by daughter, Debra McClure; brothers Troy Ackerman and Charles Speirs; and daughter-in-law Anita Zimmerman.

Funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m., Friday, January 16, 2015, at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel, with Pastor Bruce Russell officiating.

Visitation will be 4-8 p.m., Thursday, January 15, 2015, at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Grass Creek Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the NRA and/or the American Parkinson’s Association.

Please sign the online guestbook or leave a condolence for the family at [www.ransfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com).





Thursday, January 15, 2015

**Kathleen F. Cessna**

Kathleen F. CESSNA, 91, Rochester, died at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Hickory Creek of Rochester.

Survivors include her husband, Bob Cessna, Rochester; and daughters, Cathie Berg, Urbana, Ill., and Christine Ravenscroft, Wabash.

Funeral service is at 1 p.m. Saturday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation is 4-7 p.m. Friday and one hour prior to service.

**Martha Waymire**

Martha WAYMIRE, 87, Rochester, formerly of Akron, died at 12:35 p.m. Wednesday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

Funeral arrangements are pending.

Friday, January 16, 2015

**Kathleen F. Cessna**

May 3, 1923 - Jan. 13, 2015

Kathleen F. CESSNA, 91, Rochester, passed away peacefully Jan. 13, 2015, at Hickory Creek, Rochester.

Kathleen was born May 3, 1923, in Talma, the daughter of William Fore and Eva Fore. She married Robert Cessna on Feb. 23, 1946, in Rochester. He survives. She is also survived by two daughters, Cathie Berg, Urbana, Ill., (Richard Berg), and Christine Ravenscroft, Wabash. Three grandchildren, Ryan Berg (Amber Berg), Portland, Ore., Robyn LaLonde (Brian LaLonde), Chicago, and Renee Lee (Brandon Lee), Washington, Ill.; and two great-grandchildren, Toby Lee and Raegen Lee.

She was preceded in death by her father, William Fore, mother Eva (Tippy) Fore, sisters Velma Bauter and Tural Kessler and brother Viril Fore.

She graduated from Rochester High School in 1941, Manchester College with a B.S. in elementary education and Indiana University with a M.S. in elementary education. Kathleen and Robert Cessna were united in marriage on Feb. 23, 1946, and started farming in 1951 where Kathleen and Robert shared the love of the land while raising their daughters in the Reiter community.

Kathleen was an active community member in Rochester as a member of the Fulton County Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (D.A.R), Rochester chapter of Eastern Star, Trinity United Methodist Church choir and choir

director, Community Presbyterian Church choir director, and the president of the United Methodist Women. She also participated in T.H.E., Home Economics Club, Reiter Club, Kappa Delta Phi sorority, R.S.V.P., Friends of the Library and Prill School Museum board of directors and the board of directors of the Fulton County Players. She also formed her own liturgical dance company, performing for local and central Indiana churches.

Kathleen was known for her love of God, her family and life in general. She was a devoted wife, helping her husband with farming operations and raising their daughters. As her daughters grew up she also participated in costume construction for their dance recitals and plays, 4-H projects and church activities. Large smiles were brought to her life also by enjoying her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She was a devoted wife who worked alongside her husband in their flower gardens and community volunteer projects. They loved to travel the world and the U.S., which brought much happiness to their lives together. She and her husband also became brokers with Manitou Realty. Education of many forms was a cornerstone of Kathleen's life. Some of her happiest memories were of her students at Columbia and Riddle schools in Rochester. After her retirement she also substituted at the high school teaching math, a subject she excelled in.

Coming from a musical family, she also spent many years as a member of the Fulton County Players with some of her musical/actress performances being in "On Golden Pond" (Ethel), "Fiddler on the Roof" (Golde), "Blithe Spirit" (Elvira), the Round Barn Cabaret production of "Sweet Charity," "Once Upon a Mattress" (Lady Rowena), "The Sound of Music" (Sister Margaretta), "Funny Girl" (Mrs. Strakosh), "Mood Indigo," "The Sunshine Boys" (Nurse), "Carousel" (Nettie Fowler), "Arsenic and Old Lace," "Annie" (Marie), "Oklahoma" (Chorus), "Mame" (Mother Burnside), "Will Someone Please Tell Me What Is Going On Here?" (Lucille), "Do You All Believe in Fairies, Once for the Asking" (Gretchen), "Music Man," "Inherit the Wind" (Mrs. Brady), and "I Do! I Do!" When not acting she also served as the president of the Fulton County Players and the assistant director of several plays. Kathleen also joined the Culver Players and had roles in "Brigadoon" and "The Music Man."

Art in many forms was a constant in Kathleen's life from playing saxophone in the Rochester school bands and singing in the choir and church. She loved to share her talents with her family and friends. Much later in life, she also became a watercolor artist and shared her paintings with her family for their homes.

Kathleen was a shining star in all of her roles in life: daughter, sister, wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, teacher, actress, musical performer. Her family and friends will miss her smile and "Let's All Enjoy Life" attitude.

Visitation is 4-7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 16, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, and a celebration of Kathleen's life is 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 17, 2015, at the funeral home.

Burial follows at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery, Rochester.

Memorials may be made to the Community Presbyterian Church and the Fulton County Community Foundation – Robert and Kathleen Cessna Rochester High School Agriculture Scholarship Fund. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Arthur D. Fieser**

Arthur D. FIESER, 86, Rochester, died Thursday at South Bend Memorial Hospital. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

### **Mary M. Arms**

Mary M. ARMS 80, Rochester, died Wednesday at her residence. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

Saturday, January 17, 2015

### **Mary M. Arms**

Oct. 16, 1934 – Jan. 14, 2015

Mary M. ARMS, 80, Rochester, passed away at 9:14 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 14, 2015, at her residence.

She was born on Oct. 16, 1934, in Appleton, Wis., the daughter of J.J. and Josephine (Blake) Schemmel. On June 1, 1957, at the Pearl Harbor Naval Base Chapel in Hawaii, she married Alan A. Arms, and he survives. Mrs. Arms worked for The Bookstore, Rochester, and as a deputy clerk in the Fulton County Clerk's Office. She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church and enjoyed bridge as well as reading.

Survivors include her husband, Alan A. Arms, Rochester; children Michele Arms and companion Jim Hirsch, Rockford, Ill., Sara and husband Kevin Ramach, Minneapolis, Amy and husband Brian Johnson, Carmel, and Anna and husband Mark Lewandowski, Milwaukee; five grandchildren, William Ramach, Sam Ramach, Kate Ramach, all of Minneapolis, Elaine Johnson, Carmel, and Isabelle Lewandowski, Milwaukee.

She was preceded in death by her son, Paul G. Arms, parents, sister and brother.

Funeral Mass is at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 20, 2015, at St. Joseph Catholic Church, with Rev. Leroy Kinnaman officiating. Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Monday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

Burial is to take place at a later date at Arlington Memorial Park, Rockford, Ill.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Louis Ray Voreis**

June 4, 1928 – Jan. 15, 2015

Louis Ray VOREIS, 86, Plymouth, formerly of Burr Oak, passed away Thursday, Jan. 15, 2015, at the St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Louis was born on June 4, 1928, at home in rural Starke County. He was one of the three children born to Darl ‘Peck’ (Dorothy Van kirk) Voreis.

Louis was a gentle soul who enjoyed growing up on the family farm. He had many pets over the years and loved taking walks with his dogs around the farm. He was a big help to his mother and father around the farm, carrying in wood to burn for heat and helping with many other chores. Louis was an avid Chicago Cubs fan, and he liked to join in on conversations about things he would hear on the news.

Louie had a sweet, innocent disposition. After his parents passed away, he lived at Wynnfield Crossing, Rochester, for a while. He considered the nurses and staff his second family. Due to the fact that Louie had been a resident there longer than most of the staff, he was affectionately known as the mayor.

Louie is survived by seven nieces and nephews as well as his sister-in-law, Susanna Voreis Kline, Plymouth.

He was preceded in death by his parents, brother Darl Jr., and sister Eava Scott on Dec. 30, 2014.

A private graveside service is to be conducted.

Memorials may be given to the Marshall County Humane Society in Louie’s memory.

Letters of condolence may be sent via the obituary page at [www.odomfuneralhome.com](http://www.odomfuneralhome.com).

Odom Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements.

### **Arthur David ‘Dave’ Fieser**

May 18, 1928 – Jan. 15, 2015

Arthur David ‘Dave’ FIESER, 86, Rochester, passed away at 5:31 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 15, 2015, at Memorial Hospital, South Bend.

He was born on May 18, 1928, in Chicago, the son of Arthur John and Marguerite (Beatty) Fieser. In his younger days, he enjoyed swimming, spending time as a lifeguard and speed skating. He graduated from Sullivan High School, Rogers Park, Ill., in 1946. On Nov. 9, 1948, in Kenosha, Wis., he married Patricia E. Morris. She preceded him in death on April 27, 2008.

Mr. Fieser was vice president at Harris N.A. Bank, Chicago, retiring in 1990. He also served with the Illinois National Guard. He was a supporter of the Humane Society and the Heritage Foundation. He enjoyed fishing, gardening and swimming at his Lake Manitou home.

Survivors include his son, John and wife Maggie Fieser, Naperville, Ill.; grandchildren Jessica and husband Jonathan Bufort, Milford, Conn., and Kurt James Fieser, Naperville, Ill.; great-granddaughter Vivian Mae Bufort, Milford; and his feline companion, Mikey.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

A memorial service is to be announced at a later date.

Burial is to take place at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Fulton County Animal Adoption and Education Center. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

Arrangements are by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

### **Martha E. Waymire**

Sept. 30, 1927 – Jan. 14, 2015

Martha E. WAYMIRE, 87, of Life Care Center, Rochester, formerly of Akron, died at 12:35 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 14, 2015, at Life Care Center.

She was born on Sept. 30, 1927, in Frankfurt, Germany, to George Arthur Max Karl and Margarete (Geschwinder) Karl. She was married on Aug. 7, 1948, in Bad Nuheim, Germany, to Vernon Marks 'Bud' Waymire. He preceded her in death on Jan. 6, 2008. Martha worked for Kroger, Ag Exchange, Wabash, Laid Law Corp., Peru, and Chamberlin/Wen Products, Akron. She also assisted her husband while he was the Henry Township trustee for many years. Martha also sold Avon Products.

She was a member of the Akron United Methodist Church as well as the Fulton County Republican Women's Club. She was an avid bowler and was in the 600 Club at Quick Lanes, Rochester, and Asby Lanes, Wabash. She enjoyed the children at the elementary school and sharing her life story with them. Being a war bride and achieving her citizenship, she helped many in the Hispanic community gain and know the importance of being an American citizen.

Survivors include her sons, Kurt and wife Brenda Waymire, Akron, and Kerry and wife Deb Waymire, Glendale, Ariz.; daughter-in-law Patsy Waymire, Akron; and four grandchildren, Zachariah, Lauren, Taylor and Nathan Waymire.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her sons, Michael Waymire and Max Waymire, grandson Elijah Waymire, and three brothers, Bernard, George and Kurt Karl.

Private family service is to be conducted at a later date.

Burial is to be at Gilead Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Henry Township Volunteer Fire Department or the Akron Youth League Share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

Monday, January 19, 2015

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Tuesday, January 20, 2015

### **Larry L. Sanders**

Jan. 3, 1944 – Jan. 17, 2015

Mr. Larry L. SANDERS, 71, Mentone, passed away Saturday morning, Jan. 17, 2015, at Peabody Retirement Community, North Manchester.

Born in Fulton County on Jan. 3, 1944, Larry Lin Sanders was a treasured son of Ervin Jay and Josephine E. Utter Sanders. Growing up in Richland Township, he shared his childhood with two sisters, Connie and Kay, as well as his brother, Marvin. During his high school years, he attended Richland Center and then in his senior year transferred to Rochester High School. Larry excelled in sports pitching baseball and playing forward/guard for the Zebra basketball team. In the spring of 1962, Larry sailed over the high jump bar, shattering the RHS and Fulton County record at 6' 1".

Later, Larry ventured westward and attended Western New Mexico University. He continued his formal education at Arizona State. Patriotism beckoned, and Larry answered the call serving our country with the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War.

On Sept. 8, 1979, in Bryant, Larry married the love of his life Marjorie Welling Sanders. Together they shared more than 35 1/2 years of life's adventures. From their union, came three beautiful daughters. The family tree continued to grow with the arrival of two precious granddaughters.

As a union plumber and pipefitter, Larry was a member of local unions No. 172 and No. 597. Over the years, he was a licensed plumbing contractor and served Tippecanoe Valley School Corp. as a maintenance director for more than a decade, retiring in 2009.

Larry enjoyed fishing, and he embraced the outdoors. He, along with accomplice Dave Burkett, enjoyed many fishing expeditions to the pristine lakes of Minnesota. Hitting the links, Tom Sawyer was seated next to him in their golf cart. Playing rounds on local courses was fun. Providing the greatest challenges were the courses they visited during excursions to Las Vegas. Each autumn, as an armchair quarterback, Larry was locked on to Notre Dame football. Living in a house divided he occasionally cheered for Indiana University and Purdue, expressing loyalty for his daughters who attended the respective schools. There were many spirited croquet competitions hosted in either his or grandma's backyard.

Known as the family handyman, Larry could fix literally anything. A man of perpetual motion he was always ready to share his talents generously with family and friends. From his wood shop located in the garage, Larry created and built many gifts for his family – from rocking horses and a rocking crib to benches; if they dreamed it, he built it.

Left to cherish Larry's memory are his wife, Marj, at home; three daughters, Jennifer Lynn Manns and husband Charles, Ossian, Kristen Leigh Sanders and Kelly Marie Sanders, both of Atlanta, Ga.; two granddaughters, Kate Josephine Manns, 5, and Lila Marie Manns, 3; two sisters, Connie Walters and husband Jim and Kay Davis and husband Marvin, all of Rochester; a brother, Marvin Sanders, Ruidoso, N.M.; his mother, Josephine Sanders, Rochester; five sisters-in-law, Cathy Bettinger and husband Mike, Geri Mestemaker and husband Mark, Judy Wellman and husband Roger, Joanne Alig and husband Greg, and Linda Wellman and husband Kevin; three brothers-in-law, Robert 'Bob' Welling and wife Rose, David Welling and wife Colleen and Paul Welling and wife Mary; and the best mother-in-law he ever had, Mary Ellen Welling. Also surviving are many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

Preceding him in death are his father, Ervin Jay Sanders on Feb. 28, 2000, father-in-law Marcel Welling on July 9, 2012, and sister-in-law Patsy Sanders.

A celebration of the life of Mr. Larry Lin Sanders is at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 21, 2015, at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Rev. Mike Smith officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 4-8 p.m. today and an hour prior to the service.



Burial follows at Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Military graveside rites are to be accorded by the Fulton County Honor Guard as well as the U.S. Army Military Rites Team.

Memorials in lieu of flowers may be made to Mary and Jerrys Helping Hands, 10274 W. 600 South, Mentone, IN 46539, Tippecanoe Valley Boomerang Backpack program through the Kosciusko County Community Foundation Inc., 102 E. Market St., Warsaw, IN, 46580 at [www.kcfoundation.org/helpyourcommunity/nate/details/cat/1/id/8](http://www.kcfoundation.org/helpyourcommunity/nate/details/cat/1/id/8) or to the Peabody Retirement Community Smock Memory Center Caregivers Gift in care of Marjorie Sanders. Envelopes are available at the funeral home. Online expressions of sympathy may be conveyed to the family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com) in the care of Marjorie Sanders. Envelopes are available at the funeral home. Online expressions of sympathy may be conveyed to the family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Ernest M. Knight**

Ernest M. KNIGHT, 70, died Saturday in Peru. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Wednesday, January 21, 2015

### **Jeanette Lewis**

March 27, 1923 - Jan. 19, 2015

Jeanette LEWIS, 91, Warsaw, passed away on Monday, Jan. 19, 2015, at her residence.

She was born on March 27, 1923, to Abe and Esther Magazine. On Aug. 22, 1948, she married Elmer Lewis, who preceded her in death on March 1, 2010.

She worked with her husband's business Lewis Salvage Co., Akron, and was a member of Congregation B'nai Jacob and a former member of the Fort Wayne Jewish Federation.

She is survived by four sons, Sidney and wife Yvonne, Kim and wife Shelly, Michael and wife Rita, and Mooch and wife Barbara. She also enjoyed her grandchildren, Justin and wife Marie, Tyler and wife Michelle, Paige and husband Aaron Martin, Abby and husband Jason Tomcsi, Michael and wife Sarah, Elizabeth, Cary and friend Alli, and Jason and Kelly Grube; and her nine great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Florence Katz.

A graveside service is to be conducted at 1 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 25, 2015, at the Jewish Cemetery, 6224 Old Decatur Road, Fort Wayne.

Arrangements are by D.O. McComb & Sons, 6301 Fairfield Ave., Fort Wayne.  
Memorials may be made to Congregation B'nai Jacob, Fort Wayne, or the  
Indiana Jewish Historical Society.

### **Russell Frederick Williams**

Feb. 13, 1919 - Jan. 8, 2015

Russell Frederick WILLIAMS, 95, Walhalla, Mich., passed away on Thursday, Jan. 8, 2015, at Oakview Medical Care Facility, Ludington, Mich.

Russ was born on Feb. 13, 1919, in Mt. Carmel, Ill., to F. Earl and Sadie Edith (Winkler) Williams, and graduated from Rochester High School in 1936. Following his graduation, he worked various jobs before answering the call of his country and entering the military in 1941. He eventually became a flight instructor in the U.S. Army Air Corps, teaching pilots to fly by instruments.

On Aug. 16, 1942, he married Evelyn Arvella Enyart in Phenix City, Ala., and they celebrated 66 years together before Evelyn preceded him in death in 2008. Following his discharge from the military in 1944, Russ and Evelyn moved to Walhalla where he worked 13 years at Star Watch Case, Ludington, before becoming caretaker of Watassa, a summer estate on the Pere Marquette River. Russ worked full-time at the ranch until 1984, easing into retirement by cutting back to part-time status.

Russ enjoyed singing and playing the guitar, bowling, playing pingpong, bird watching, deer hunting, the beauty of wildflowers and following the Detroit Tigers.

He will be lovingly remembered and greatly missed by his children, Penny and David Buffenbarger, Midland, Mich., and David and Debby Williams, Walhalla; and his six grandchildren, Jason and Amy Williams, Scottville, Mich., Jody and Scott Dickinson, Ludington, Jessica and Jeff Kaiser, Jamie and Tim Rafter, all of Walhalla, Eric Buffenbarger, Redford, Mich., and Ryan and Candy Buffenbarger, New Carlisle, Ohio. He is also remembered by his 12 great-grandchildren; his brother, Frank and Nancy Lindley, Anderson; his sisters-in-law, Lee Williams, Mt. Pleasant, Mich., and Norma Jean and Dale Becker, Rochester; his brothers-in-law, Raymond and Ruth Enyart and Emerson and Barb Enyart, both of Rochester; and Carl and Pat Enyart, South Bend; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Along with his wife, Evelyn, Russ was also preceded in death by his parents, his brother Ed Williams, and his sisters, Eleanor Castleman, Mary Jane Hinkle and Peggy Mullins.

A graveside service will be conducted for Russ at Brookside Cemetery in Scottville, Mich., in the spring. There will be no funeral home visitation or service at

this time. Those, who wish to make a contribution in Russ' memory, may do so to a charity of the donor's choice.

Please visit Russ' personal memory page at [www.wymanfuneralservice.com](http://www.wymanfuneralservice.com) to leave a tribute of Russ for his family or to light a candle in his memory.

### **Ernest Knight Jr.**

Ernest KNIGHT Jr., 70, Akron, died Saturday at the Gilead General Store, Macy.

Survivors include his wife, Sharon; a daughter, Rebecca Knight, Flat Rock, Mich.; two sons, Jeff Knight, Akron, and Ernie Knight, Roann; and a sister, Frances Eltzroth, Wabash.

A private family service is to be conducted.

Arrangements are by Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

### **Rachel Damron**

Rachel E. DAMRON, 89, Rochester, died Tuesday at Life Care Center, Rochester. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Thursday, January 22, 2015

### **Rachel Elizabeth Damron**

Nov. 17, 1925 - Jan. 20, 2015

Mrs. Rachel Elizabeth DAMRON, 89, Rochester, was surrounded by her loving family when she passed away at 4:10 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 20, 2015, at Life Care Center, Rochester.

On Nov. 17, 1925, Rachel was born in Pikeville, Ky., a cherished daughter of Floyd and Dorothy Tackett Bumgardner. Growing up, she shared her childhood with four sisters and three brothers. She moved to North Manchester in 1941 and two years later moved to Rochester.

Rachel and Carl Damron married on March 14, 1944, in Rochester. Their union of nearly 71 years produced two sons. Over the years, two more generations have been added to the family tree.

During her 23-year nursing career, Rachel worked for Dr. Charles Richardson M.D. and later Dr. Joseph Richardson M.D. She retired from Dr. Joe Richardson's office.

A dedicated member of the Church of the Nazarene, Rochester, Rachel served her church as secretary and treasurer. She taught Sunday school to the teen group, hosting many pizza parties and slumber parties for the kids throughout the years.

To relax, Rachel enjoyed crocheting, making many gifts of warmth. She crocheted afghans, doilies and dolls. At home from her kitchen command post, Rachel was a baker of extraordinary pies. Her hamburger pies and peanut butter pies were second to none. She is also remembered for her piping hot pecan and butterscotch pies served straight from the oven. Nothing delighted her more than cooking for her family.

Left to cherish Rachel's memory are her husband, Carl; two sons, Earl Dean Damron and wife Paula, Rochester, and Rodney Eugene Damron, Big Rock, Ill.; five grandchildren, Eric, Christopher, Keith, David and Beth; eight great-grandchildren; a sister, Mary Meyer, Rochester; and several nieces and nephews.

Preceding Rachel in death are her parents; a grandson, Harold Damron; three sisters, Ellen Anderson, Jessie Stout and Carrie Katherine Willis; and three brothers, Monroe, Bennie and William Bumgardner.

A celebration of the life of Rachel Damron is 11 a.m. Friday, Jan. 23, 2015, at the Church of the Nazarene, 1987 Southway 31, Rochester, with Rev. Don Meyer officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 4-7 p.m. today at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, and one hour prior to the service at the church.

Interment is to be at Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Fulton County Cancer Fund through the Northern Indiana Community Foundation, 715 Main St., Rochester, IN 46975. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Jeanette Lewis**

March 27, 1923 - Jan. 19, 2015

Jeanette LEWIS, 91, Warsaw, passed away on Monday, Jan. 19, 2015, at her residence.

She was born on March 27, 1923, to Abe and Yetta Magazine. On Aug. 22, 1948, she married Elmer Lewis, who preceded her in death on March 1, 2010. She worked with her husband's business Lewis Salvage Co., Akron, and was a member of Congregation B'nai Jacob and a former member of the Fort Wayne Jewish Federation.

She is survived by four sons, Sidney and wife Yvonne, Kim and wife Shelly, Michael and wife Rita, and Mooch and wife Barbara. She also enjoyed her grandchildren, Justin and wife Marie, Tyler and wife Michelle, Paige and husband

Aaron Martin, Abby and husband Jason Tomcsi, Michael and wife Sarah, Elizabeth, Cary and friend Alli, and Jason and Kelly Grube; her nine great-grandchildren; and sisters Alice Solotkin and Lucille Kain.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Florence Katz.

A graveside service is to be conducted at 1 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 25, 2015, at the Jewish Cemetery, 6224 Old Decatur Road, Fort Wayne.

Arrangements are by D.O. McComb & Sons, 6301 Fairfield Ave., Fort Wayne.

Memorials may be made to Congregation B'nai Jacob, Fort Wayne, or to the Indiana Jewish Historical Society.

### **Adelene L. Flenner**

Adelene L. FLENNER, 86, Peru, formerly of Macy, died Wednesday at Blair Ridge Health Campus, Peru.

Survivors include four children, Cindy J. Walker, Columbia City, Thomas F. Flenner, Warsaw; Amy Robison, Peru, and Julie Kepes, Peru.

Her funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Saturday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver, with visitation from 3-7 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

### **Linda J.B. Davenport**

Linda J.B. DAVENPORT, 63, formerly of Rochester, died Tuesday in Fargo, N.D. Arrangements are pending at McClain Funeral Home, Denver.

Friday, January 23, 2015

### **Betty Draper**

Aug. 13, 1935 – Jan. 21, 2015

Mrs. Betty J. DRAPER, 79, Rochester, passed away at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 21, 2015, at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

On Aug. 13, 1935, Betty Jean Lanie was born in Fowler, the cherished daughter of Homer and Georganna Seneace Lanie. She grew up near Delphi and graduated with her class from Delphi High School in 1953.

Robert Wayne Draper and Betty married on Dec. 22, 1956, at the Catholic Church in Delphi. From their union came three wonderful daughters, Jill, Kathy and Cheryl. Over the years, the family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. They recently celebrated 58 years of life's adventures.

Most recently many will remember Betty welcoming customers to Walgreens. Her previous work career included stints at Maggie's, Wiles, Baxter Drugs, Federal Mogul and The Rochester Sentinel. She was one of the founders of the Busy Belles home economics club, the past president of the Richland Center Lodge and served Richland Township as the Democratic precinct committeeman. An animal lover, Betty embraced nature by feeding birds, squirrels and hummingbirds that visited her backyard. She opened her home to a variety of pets, from kittens and dogs to a bunny. Each spring she planted flowers that accented the landscape of her home.

In the early years, it was Wayne who introduced Betty to sewing. His advice on techniques was well-taken. She created clothing ensembles for her daughters. Betty ascended to a new plateau, competing and garnering honors, with her mother during state fair competitions. This accomplished seamstress won multiple grand championships.

Betty is lovingly remembered by her husband, Wayne; three daughters, Jill Draper, Rochester, Kathy Vanderwall and husband Todd, Rochester, Cheryl Lawson, Union, Mo.; four grandchildren, Amanda and Austin Lawson as well as Kara and Ty Vanderwall; five great-grandchildren; and Tucker the dark tiger cat with a unique ocelot pattern.

Preceding Betty in death are her parents, son-in-law John Lawson on Jan. 31, 2013, a feline companion Buddy, canine companion Corky and Mecko the bunny.

A celebration of the life of Mrs. Betty J. Draper is 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 24, 2015, at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Rev. John Branch officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home.

Interment is to be at Richland Center IOOF Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Fulton County Cancer Fund or the Fulton County Animal Adoption Center, both through the Northern Indiana Community Foundation, 715 Main St., Rochester, IN 46975. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Gloria A. Brown**

Oct. 16, 1927 – Jan. 21, 2015

Gloria A. BROWN, 87, Rochester, passed away at 6:54 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 21, 2015, at Memorial Hospital, South Bend.

She was born on Oct. 16, 1927, in Hartford City, the daughter of Carlos and Opal (Peterson) Andre. On June 28, 1947, in Hartford City, she married Shirley E. Brown Jr. He preceded her in death on Dec. 16, 1999.

Mrs. Brown was the owner of Rochester Glass Company Inc. She was a member of the St. Joseph Catholic Church, where she was active in the Parish Council and prayer group, Moose Lodge, Women of the Moose No. 1684 and women's coffee club. In her spare time, she was an active bridge player and spent much of her time attending all of her children's and grandchildren's sporting events. As Gloria said, "I lived. I had fun. I died. What else do you need to know?"

Survivors include her daughters, Cheri C. Meiser and Debbie and husband Jim Frost, all of Rochester; sons Kevin A. and wife Terri Brown, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, Greg D. and wife Karen K. Brown, Rochester, and Chris S. and wife Dee Brown, Rochester; grandchildren Matt and wife Gretchen Meiser, Michael Meiser, Amy and husband Derrick Vance, all of Rochester, Allie Gottschalk and fiance Jason Doerffler, Zac Gottschalk, Casey Brown, all of Fort Wayne, Nicolas and wife Cassie Brown, Rochester, Marcus Brown, Warsaw, Lucas Brown, Levi Brown, Chase Brown and Maci Brown, all of Rochester; nine great-grandchildren; brother Jean and wife Roberta Andre, Austin, Texas; and sisters Yvonne Farling, Carmel, and Theresa Teagarden, Marion.

She was preceded in death by her sister, Mary Jane Heller, and her parents.

Funeral Mass is 10:30 a.m. Monday, Jan. 26, 2015, at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Rochester. Visitation is 1-5 p.m. Sunday and from 9-10 a.m. Monday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Prayer service is to be conducted at 5 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

Burial is to be at Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the St. Joseph Catholic Church. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

Saturday, January 24, 2015

### **Linda Jo (Blue) Davenport**

March 4, 1951 – Jan. 20, 2015

Linda Jo (Blue) DAVENPORT, 63, formerly of Rochester, passed away Tuesday, Jan. 20, 2015, in Fargo, N.D., due to complications from lung cancer.

Born on March 4, 1951, in Miami County, she was the daughter of the late Robert Lee and Marjorie Joan Polk Blue. Linda was a 1969 graduate of Maconaquah High School before going on to college to obtain her BS and MS degrees in education. Linda was a devoted Christian, giving her time and talents to various congregations over the years in the communities where she was living. Linda was a talented needlepoint artist, creating many treasures for her family, friends and churches.

She leaves behind three children to cherish her memory, Joseph Davenport and his wife Jacquelyn, Harwood, N.D., Jessie Davenport, Fargo, N.D., and Jodie Davenport, Tempe, Ariz.; two grandchildren, Kaily and Kaiden Davenport, Harwood, N.D.; and one brother, Gregory Alan Blue and his wife Teresa, Fifield, Wis. Her funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 27, 2015, at McClain Funeral Home, Denver, with pastor Mark Spencer officiating. Burial will follow at Mt. Hope Cemetery, Peru.

Visitation is 4-7 p.m. Monday at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Rochester First Baptist Church. The online guest book can be signed at [www.mcclainfh.com](http://www.mcclainfh.com).

### **Lloyd Robert Ulerick**

April 25, 1926 – Jan. 22, 2015

Lloyd Robert ULERICK, 88, Peru, passed away on Thursday, Jan. 22, 2015, at Fort Wayne Lutheran Hospital.

Lloyd was born on April 25, 1926, to Forrest and Lola Ulerick. He was married to Shirley Bailey who preceded him in death on Dec. 19, 2011. He was a farmer.

Surviving are three children, Lloyd E. and Sondra Ulerick, Rochester, Joleen L. Sroda, Abilene, Texas, and Darrell L. and Elsa Ulerick, Peru. He will be lovingly remembered by his 10 grandchildren, one deceased; seven great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

His funeral service is 11 a.m. at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Peru, with visitation one hour prior to the service.

Burial is to be at Greenlawn Cemetery, Mexico.

Arrangements are by Northern Indiana Funeral Care, Fort Wayne.

### **Robert Burns Becht**

Aug. 19, 1954 – Jan. 22, 2015

Robert Burns BECHT, the beloved son of Burns S. Becht (Rochester, IN) and Cuma C. Becht, left the bounds of Earth on January 22, 2015.

Born in Kansas on August 19, 1954, Bob grew to become a man unwavering in his love and commitment to the God of Creation, family and a league of dedicated friends. He was an enigma; a competitive and steely figure who could curse like a sailor, yet also possessed the heart and tongue of a poet. All crossword puzzles: completed in pen. A devoted fan of the Indianapolis 500, he attended the past 51 years.



Bob loved fiercely and faithfully and was loved fiercely and faithfully in turn by Sarah Ann Sayger. Their journey in marriage began November 27, 1982, which happened to coincide with his coaching break between high school football and basketball seasons.

Bob's greatest legacy is two daughters: Edna S. Becht, DO (fiance, Ed Schneiders) of South Bend, IN and Savannah D. Jewell (husband Chris), a veterinary student in West Lafayette, IN. They carry forward his love of music, love of literature both classic and comic, his ability to correctly use plural possessives, and the Becht skill of communicating displeasure by raising a single eyebrow. Bob treasured a legion of lifelong friends-all brothers and sisters to his spirit.

Bob is preceded in death by his mother, Cuma.

A celebration of the life of Bob Becht will be at noon EST on Monday, January 26, 2015 in the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 West 18th St., Rochester, with Rev. Sue Ringenback officiating. Visitation is from 2-5 PM on Sunday, January 25th, and one hour prior to service Monday at the funeral home. Family and friends are welcome. Critics need not attend.

Memorials may be made to Heifer International, 1 World Avenue, Little Rock, AR 72202.

Online expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Larry L. Quimby**

Larry L. QUIMBY, 71, Argos, died Friday at his residence. Arrangements are pending at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

Monday, January 26, 2015

### **Larry L. Quimby**

Larry L. QUIMBY, 71, Argos, died Friday at his residence.

Survivors include his wife, Barbara L. Scott, Argos; daughters, Lisa Vladiff, Argos, Leigh A. Herbert, Spring Branch, Texas, Tina L. Pfahler, Argos, Tina Shackelford, Argos, and Billie J. Collins, Logansport; and son Thomas T. Quimby, Fort Campbell, Tenn.

His funeral service is 7 p.m. Wednesday at Earl Grossman Funeral Home, Argos, with visitation from 4 p.m. to time of service at the funeral home.

### **Warren Ousley Jr.**

Warren OUSLEY Jr., 68, Rochester, died Saturday at St. Joseph Hospital, Fort Wayne. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

Tuesday, January 27, 2015

**Mary E. Lease**

Dec. 24, 1928 - Jan. 25, 2015

Mary E. LEASE, 86, Royal Center, passed away at 4:05 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 25, 2015, at Logansport Memorial Hospital.

Born on Dec. 24, 1928, she was the daughter of the late Joseph and Flora (Barnett) Huffman. On Feb. 7, 1948, she married Robert E. Lease, and he preceded her in death on April 9, 2012.

Mary was a Royal Center High School graduate.

She retired from Switches/Federal Mogul, Logansport. Mary was a member of Royal Center United Methodist Church. She enjoyed fishing, gardening, cooking and most of all, spending time with her family.

Survivors include her children, Robert 'Mike' Lease (Kelley), Rochester, and Beth A. Nubel, Logansport; grandchildren Robert Wells (Tammy), Chad Wells (Nikki), Stephanie Jackson (Kern), Amy Wyatt (Jay), Michelle Soel (Matthew), Mary Wells (Michael Myers), Shawn Nubel (Haley Samuelson), Kim Darche (Brad), Chris Lease (Erin Reid) as well as Paxton Lease, Meghan McLochlin (Kyle), Mallory Smith (Michael) and Lauren Mitchell; 24 great-grandchildren; and one great-great grandson.

She was also preceded in death by one son, Scott Lease; one daughter, Sarita Sue Hoehler; one brother, Joseph Huffman; and two sisters, Elizabeth Swisher and Eleanor Harris.

Her funeral service is 11 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, 2015, at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Royal Center, with pastor Adrian Curtis officiating.

Visitation will be from 5-7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 28, 2015, at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Kistler Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Royal Center United Methodist Church.

Please sign the online guest book or leave a condolence for the Lease family at [www.ransfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com).

**Caitlin O. Heisler**

Caitlin O. HEISLER, 20, Claypool, died Sunday at her residence. Funeral arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

**Patricia E. Gallagher**

Patricia E. GALLAGHER 67, Rochester, died Monday at Woodlawn Hospital. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Raymond Enyart**

Raymond ENYART, 95, Rochester, died Monday at Life Care Center. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

**Kenneth Salyer**

Kenneth SALYER, 53, Plymouth, died Sunday at his residence. Arrangements are pending at Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth.

**Warren Ousley Jr.**

Jan. 9, 1947 - Jan. 24, 2015

Warren OUSLEY Jr., 68, Rochester, father, grandfather, brother, left us to be with the Lord Our Savior and his wife, Nancy, at 7:46 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 24, 2015, at St. Joseph Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Born Jan. 9, 1947, in Prestonsburg, Ky., he was the son of Warren Sr. and Fanny Rose Ousley.

On Aug. 29, 1964, in Rochester, he was married to Nancy L. Norman, and she preceded him in death on Nov. 15, 2006.

Warren worked at Rochester Homes and the Tippecanoe and Akron foundries. He enjoyed fishing, gardening and hunting.

He is survived by his children, Carla Lowe and husband Jimmy, Rochester, Tony Ousley, Rochester, Patty Ousley and husband Ben, Macy, Tina Amburgy and husband Phillip, Rochester, and Joseph Books and wife Rebecca, Macy; grandchildren April Lowe and James Lowe, Rochester, Savannah and husband Jimmy Olson, Rochester, Samuel Ousley, Rochester, Jonathan Ousley, Noblesville, Joshua Ousley, Macy, Cody Brunner and wife Samantha, Denver, Levi Amburgy, Rochester, Joey Books and Caitlyn Books, Macy; and 10 great-grandchildren. Also surviving are six siblings, Bennie R. Ousley and wife Nan, Rochester, Renee Miller, Florida, Jessie G. Ousley, Athens, Timothy Ousley and wife Jennifer, Rochester, Jimmy D. Ousley, Argos, and Jeffery L. Burns, Plymouth; and sister-in-law Theresa 'Tweet' Ousley, Athens.

His parents, Warren Ousley Sr. and Fanny Rose Burns and one brother, Tom Ousley, preceded him in death.

His memorial service is 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation is 12:30 p.m. until time of service.

Burial will follow at Athens Cemetery.

Family and friends are invited to leave messages of condolence and sign the online guest book at [www.zimmermanbros.com](http://www.zimmermanbros.com).

Wednesday, January 28, 2015

**Patricia Eileen Gallagher**

Aug. 12, 1947 – Jan. 26, 2015

Patricia Eileen GALLAGHER, 67, Rochester, passed away at 5:10 a.m. Monday, Jan. 26, 2015, at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

She was born on Aug. 12, 1947, in Muskegon, Mich., the daughter of Norbert M. and Katherine Jane (Bull) Gallagher. Pat graduated from Rochester Community High School in 1965 and graduated from Marian College, now Marian University, Indianapolis, in 1969.

Pat worked as a social worker in Rochester after graduation, then moved to Washington D.C. to work as an administrative assistant for the U.S. State Department. After a period of time in Washington D.C., she packed up her bags and went to California and got a job working as a receptionist for the Emmy Corp. Pat returned to Rochester in 1978 to help with her father after he had a stroke.

Pat was a loving, good-hearted caregiver for her parents. She supported many charities over the years from Big Brothers/Big Sisters to World Wildlife Federation. She was also helpful with the charities and functions of the St Joseph Catholic Church, where she was an active member. She was also active with the Fulton County Democratic Women's Club. When Pat returned to help her parents, she worked at the Fulton County Public Library until retiring in September 2012.

Survivors include her brothers, Thomas N. and wife Margaret Gallagher, Seminole, Fla., and Michael and wife Joan Gallagher, Wilmington, Ohio, and several nieces, nephews, great-nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents and sister, Maureen K. (Gallagher) Dahle-Melsaether.

Funeral mass is 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, 2015, at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Rochester, with Rev. Bert Woolson officiating. Friends may visit from 4-7 p.m. Friday and 10-10:45 a.m. Saturday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Rosary will be recited at 7 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

Burial will be at a later date at Mona View Cemetery, Muskegon, Mich.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Fulton County Public Library or to St. Joseph Catholic Church. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

**Caitlin O. Heisler**

Sept. 27, 1994 – Jan. 25, 2015

Caitlin O. HEISLER, 20, of Beaver Dam Lake, Claypool, died Sunday, Jan. 25, 2015, at her residence.

She was born on Sept. 27, 1994, in Rochester, to Terrance L. and Barbara (Bailey) Heisler. Caitlin was a 2013 graduate of Tippecanoe Valley High School where she was on the swim team. She attended Warsaw Community Church and enjoyed time with family, movies, music and the ocean, especially the gulf.

Survivors include her parents, Terry and Barbara Heisler, Claypool; sisters Shea Bailey, Mishawaka, and Terra Heisler, Claypool; brother Ryan and wife Brooke Heisler, Argos; maternal grandparents Ellie Bailey, Akron, and Robert Bailey, Rochester; paternal grandmother Doris Heisler, Warsaw; and seven nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her other grandparents.

Her funeral service is 11 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, 2015, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with pastor E.J. Underwood officiating. Visitation is 6-8 p.m. today, Jan. 28, 2015, at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital or the Riley Children's Foundation.

Share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

**Kenneth Lee Salyer**

July 15, 1961 – Jan. 25, 2015

Kenneth Lee SALYER, 53, Plymouth, passed away at his residence at 8:25 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 25, 2015, after a long illness.

Kenneth was born to Charles Sr. and Syntha (Howard) Salyer at the Starke County Hospital, Knox, on July 15, 1961. Kenneth was a self-employed truck driver for many years. He was an avid Harley Davidson motorcycle enthusiast, treating his motorcycles as though they were his children. He was an ABATE Chapter Region One member for 13 years. He enjoyed watching old western shows on television and loved to scratch off instant lottery tickets.

Kenneth is survived by his mother, Syntha Salyer, Argos; his two daughters, Rebecca Salyer and Janet Garbas, Plymouth; and six grandchildren. His siblings are Charles Salyer Jr. and long-time companion Brenda Carter, Plymouth, Barbara Pritchett, Argos, Judy (Jeff) Pritchett, Rochester, and Janet Salyer, Palestine. Also

surviving are several nieces and nephews, including Bruce Salyer, whom he treated as his own son, and his uncle, Basel (Evalee) Hale, Pierceton.

Kenneth was preceded in death by his father, Charles Sr.

Visitation is at Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, from 4-7 p.m. EST Thursday, Jan. 29, 2015.

His funeral service is Friday, Jan. 30, 2015, at 11 a.m. EST at the funeral home, with Rev. Charles Krieg officiating.

Burial will follow at Bass Lake Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made in Kenneth's name to ABATE Chapter Region One, P.O. Box 665, Bargersville, IN 46106.

Notes of condolence may be sent to the family through the website at [www.johnson-danielson.com](http://www.johnson-danielson.com).

### **Raymond Enyart**

Raymond ENYART, 95, Rochester, died Monday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

Survivors include his wife, Ruth; two daughters, June Howe, Rochester, and Sharon Herington, Mundelein, Ill.; a sister, Norma Becker, Rochester; and two brothers, Emerson Enyart, Rochester, and Carl Enyart, South Bend.

His funeral service is 6 p.m. Friday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation from 4 p.m. to time of service at the funeral home.

Thursday, January 29, 2015

### **Raymond E. Enyart**

May 19, 1919 - Jan. 26, 2015

Mr. Raymond E. ENYART, 95, known by many as 'Ray the Lawnmower Man' of Rochester, passed away at 1:25 p.m. Monday, Jan. 26, 2015, at Life Care Center, Rochester.

On May 19, 1919, Raymond Earl was born in Henpeck, just outside of Twelve Mile. He was a treasured son of Earl and Ursa Filbey Enyart. Growing up as one of eight children, Ray shared his childhood with three sisters and four brothers. With great Bulldog pride, Ray graduated with his class from Fulton High School in 1936.

Ray and Ruth Meek married on Dec. 7, 1940, in Peru. Together they shared more than 74 years of life's adventures. From their union, came two beautiful daughters, June and Sharon. Over the years, the family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of three grandchildren and two great-granddaughters.



As the second oldest of the Enyart kids, Ray acquired a strong work ethic from his dad and experiencing the Great Depression at the tender age of 10 years old. He was dedicated to Torx, working as a tool and die maker from 1951-1983 when he retired to go into small engine repair full time.

As an entrepreneur, he was an amazing man, gifted with his hands as well as his mechanical abilities. As such, Ray went full time with his small engine repair opening Ray's Lawnmower Shop situated in the southwest quadrant of Rochester. He welcomed customers here, solving problems, repairing engines, ensuring customer satisfaction as the primary ingredient for success. Although push mowers were his specialties, he acquired a great love for John Deere riders. He formally retired less than a year ago in the spring of 2014. Each day, Ray trekked to join the Burger King breakfast bunch at 9:30 a.m. for coffee, catching up on the latest and solving the world's problems. Always sharing his table were Wayne, George and Linda.

A faithful member of the Rochester Church of the Nazarene for more than 66 years, Ray physically and financially contributed to the building of the present structure, which was completed in 1965. As a good steward, he served his church as trustee, Sunday school superintendent, church bus driver, missions director and Sunday school teacher of the teen group for a number of years. Ruth and Ray embraced a memorable missions trip to Suriname in the 1980's; they also once visited the Bahamas on a mission to help with the building of a church.

Remembered for a great sense of humor, Ray loved a good joke. He fashioned the foundation of his life around faith, family and friends. Ray and Ruth enjoyed adventures, traveling to family and friends, visiting Michigan, Tennessee, Florida and Ohio, to name a few of their favorite destinations. Promptness was his middle name, as he was always 10 minutes early, and he preferred to make immediate payment in cash.

A connoisseur of music, Ray loved Lawrence Welk, southern gospel, country and patriotic. A man of perpetual motion over the years, Ray built four homes. He once raised over 5,000 chickens. In his younger years, he and Ruth planted a truck patch garden each spring, then canned and froze the bountiful harvest every autumn. He also planted colorful flowerbeds to accent the landscape. One year he planted peanuts and cotton, giving them some northern exposure.

Left to cherish Ray's memory are his loving wife, Ruth; two daughters, June Howe and husband David, Rochester, Sharon Herington and husband Dohn, Mundelein, Ill.; three grandchildren, Doug Howe, Cheryl Cholewczynski and husband Mike, and Marc Alan Herington and wife Suzanne; two great-grandchildren, Lindsay Herington and Brooke Herington; a sister, Norma Becker and husband Dale,

Rochester; two brothers, Emerson Enyart and wife Barbara, Rochester, and Carl Enyart and wife Pat, South Bend; numerous nieces, nephews and cousins; and the many friends he met at Ray's Lawnmower Shop.

Preceding Ray in death are his parents; two sisters, Evelyn Williams and Eileen Simpson; and two brothers, Wilson Enyart and Kenneth Enyart.

The Enyart family wishes to express their grateful appreciation for the kind assistance, love and care conveyed to their dad by Carl Damron, Ralph Bright, Randy and Carol Shelburne, pastor Don Meyer, Emerson and Barb Enyart, Norma and Dale Becker and the staff of Gentiva Hospice.

A celebration of the life of Mr. Raymond Earl Enyart is 6 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, 2015, at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 West 18th St., Rochester, with Rev. Don Meyer officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 4-6 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

A private family burial is Saturday at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Gentiva Hospice or to the Church of the Nazarene Missions Fund. Online sympathies to his family may be expressed at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Friday, January 30, 2015

No Obituaries

Saturday, January 31, 2015

No Obituaries

Monday, February 2, 2015

### **Dolores Butcher**

Dolores BUTCHER, 83, Rochester, died Saturday at Millers Merry Manor, Peru.

Survivors include her two daughters, Kathy Briney, Rochester, and Pam Radersdorf, Peru; and her sister, Peggy J. Grayson, Summerset.

Her funeral service is 11 a.m. Wednesday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation from 10 a.m. to time of service at the funeral home.

### **Warren Ousley Jr.**

A memorial service for Warren OUSLEY Jr., 68, Rochester, will be conducted at 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 8, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation from 12:30 p.m., until time of service at the funeral home. Interment will follow at Athens Cemetery.

His service has been rescheduled due to inclement weather.

Tuesday, February 3, 2015

### **Dolores L. Butcher**

May 6, 1931 – Jan. 31, 2015

Mrs. Dolores L. BUTCHER, 83, Rochester, was surrounded by her loving family when she passed away at 3:25 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, 2015, at Miller's Merry Manor, Peru.

Born on May 6, 1931, Dolores Lucille was the cherished daughter of Verlynnne and Dorothy Leedy Study. Growing up as the oldest, Dolores shared her childhood with a sister, Peggy Jo. In 1949, she graduated with her class from Peru High School. Remaining close with her classmates, she attended their 64th reunion in the fall of 2013.

On May 28, 1949, in Peru, Dolores L. Study married the love of her life, Fredrick L. Butcher. Together they enjoyed more than 58 years of life's adventures. From their union came two wonderful daughters, Pam and Kathy. The family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of four grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren.

As an extraordinary cook and baker, Dolores was at home in her kitchen command post always fulfilling her family's requests. Pies were her forte; among her specialties were cream, pineapple, pecan and chocolate. Grandma's molasses and peanut butter cookies fresh from the oven were second to none. Peanut butter and chocolate fudge were also in high demand. As an avid reader in recent years, romance and fiction were her favorites.

Most recently, Dolores worked at Wal-Mart, retiring after a 10-year stint. Over the years, she also worked at Marshall Electric, Essex Wire, Logansport, and Cyclone Seeder, Urbana. She attended the First Baptist Church, Rochester, and was a member of the Moose Lodge, Peru.

Left to cherish Dolores' memory are two daughters, Kathy Briney and husband Jim, Rochester, and Pam Raderstorf and companion Donna Hines, Peru; four grandchildren, Tobi Lewis and husband Gary, Tony Briney and companion Lori Johnson, Jami Conliff and husband Ray, and Leif Raderstorf and wife Tammy; eight

great-grandchildren, Alysha, Tori, Nichole, Dustin, Cody, Dakota, Katelyn and Justin; four great-great-grandchildren, Kinley, Caleb, Colin and Zayne; a sister, Peggy Jo Grayson and husband John, Somerset; a niece, Christy Smith; and nephews Brian and Jeff Mullikin.

Preceding Dolores in death are her beloved husband, Fredrick, on Nov. 4, 2007, and her parents.

Family and close friends will celebrate the life of Mrs. Dolores Lucille Butcher at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 4, 2015, at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Dr. Mark Spencer officiating. Friends may visit with her family one hour prior to her service.

There will not be a graveside service.

Memorials may be made to the First Baptist Church, 1000 Main St., Rochester, IN 46975. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Carl W. Hodson**

Carl W. HODSON, 86, Peru, died Saturday at Miller's Merry Manor, Peru.

Survivors include his children, Carla Perry, New Plymouth, New Zealand, and David Hodson, Columbus, Ohio; and stepson David Leffel, Peru.

His funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver, with visitation from 4-8 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Wednesday, February 4, 2015

No Obituaries

Thursday, February 5, 2015

### **Timothy F. Hoffa Sr.**

Timothy F. HOFFA Sr., 58, Winamac, died Tuesday at Porter Regional Hospital, Valparaiso.

Survivors include his wife, Gloria U. Hoffa, Winamac; sons Duane Hoffa, Westchester, Ill., and Tim Hoffa Jr., Winamac; daughter Bethanne Rude, Thornhope; brothers John G. Hoffa, Brown City, Mich., Robert Hoffa, Capac, Mich., Christopher Hoffa, Winamac, and Stephen Hoffa, Lapeer, Mich.; and sisters Linda Poirier, Capac, Mich., Brenda Moustakas, Clinton Township, Mich., and Kathy Scott, Las Vegas.

His funeral service is 1 p.m. Sunday at Frain Mortuary, Winamac, with visitation from 3-8 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home.

Friday, February 6, 2015

**James Monroe Baker**

Nov. 11, 1959 – Feb. 2, 2015

James Monroe BAKER, 55, Rochester, passed away peacefully, surrounded by his family, on Monday, Feb. 2, 2015, at Lutheran Hospital, Ft. Wayne.

He was born on Nov. 11, 1959, to Arthur and Marcialeen Baker, Peru.

Surviving are his son, Brian Baker, Peru; daughter Samantha Smith, San Diego; fiancée Idella Beliles, Rochester; sister Barb Cole, Lake Cicott; sister Arlene Caldwell, Hazard, Ky.; daughter-in-law Natasha Baker; grandchildren Alexyss Baker, James Baker Jr., Makenzee Baker, Joshua Baker, Kaylynn, Kyndra and Karyssa; and stepchildren Herman Beliles and Laura Beliles.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Arthur and Marcialeen Baker, son Joshua Baker and grandson Brayden Malik Arias Baker.

James worked at Western Reman Industrial, Peru, for 10 years.

Visitation is 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 7, 2015, at Peoria Church, Peru.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, Peru.

**Loletta L. Higdon**

Loletta L. HIGDON, 46, Peru, died Wednesday at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Survivors include two siblings, Karen Glenn and Mark A. Hall.

Her funeral service is 3 p.m. Saturday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver, with visitation from 1 p.m. until time of service at the funeral home.

**John C. Herrold**

John C. HERROLD, 80, Grass Creek, died Thursday at St. Elizabeth East Hospital, Lafayette. Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel.

**Roger D. Rudd**

Roger D. RUDD, 54, Rochester, died Thursday. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Robert Swihart**

Robert SWIHART, 95, Rochester, died Thursday at his residence. Arrangements are pending at King Memorial Home, Mentone.

**Billy C. Wyatt**

Billy C. WYATT, 83, Akron, formerly of Burbank, Ill., died Thursday at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

Saturday, February 7, 2015

**John C. “J” Herrold**

April 4, 1934 – Feb. 5, 2015

John C. “J” HERROLD, 80, Grass Creek, passed away at 10:02 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, 2015, at St. Elizabeth East Hospital, Lafayette.

Born April 4, 1934, in Logansport, he was the son of the late Carl and Olive (Apt) Herrold. On May 14, 1954, he married Nada C. Willy. She preceded him in death on Aug. 26, 2006.

He was a 1952 Grass Creek High School graduate.

He was a lifetime dairy farmer and a fifth-generation farmer in Wayne Township, Fulton County.

J was a former Wayne Township Republican precinct committee chairman for many years and a former Fulton County Republican chairman. He was also a Wayne Township trustee from 1979-2000. He was a longtime member of the Wayne Township Volunteer Fire Department, and he served as fire chief for many years. He was a charter member of the Wayne Township Lions Club, a 50-year member of the Order of Eastern Star, formerly Kewanna and Rochester, now Royal Center No. 375, and a 50-year member of the Masonic Lodge, formerly Kewanna, now Rochester No. 79.

J was a lifetime member of the Grass Creek United Methodist Church, where he also formerly served as trustee.

He was an avid Jeff Gordon fan, and he enjoyed arrowhead and mushroom hunting, going to flea markets and collecting elephant figurines.

Survivors include his children, Mick Herrold (Becky), Twelve Mile, Mark Herrold (Kim), Grass Creek, Mindy Douglass (Jeff), Kewanna, and Michelle Rigney (Dan), Macy; sister-in-law Janece Herrold, Grass Creek; 13 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.

He was also preceded in death by brother Robert Herrold.

His funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 10, 2015, at Grass Creek United Methodist Church with pastors Chris Madison and David Sommers officiating.

Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Monday, Feb. 9, 2015, at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel, and also one hour prior to the service on Tuesday.

Burial will be at Grass Creek Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association and/or the National Kidney Foundation.

Sign the online guest book or leave condolences for the Herrold family at <http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com>.

### **Robert L. Swihart**

Jan. 26, 1920 – Feb. 5, 2015

Robert L. SWIHART, 95, Rochester, formerly of rural Argos, died at 7:20 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, 2015, at his residence.

He was born Jan. 26, 1920, in Argos, to parents, Walter D. and Joanna (Rohrer) Swihart. He was married Dec. 10, 1939, in Plymouth, to Fern Shoemaker. She preceded him in death on July 17, 1997, then he married Barbara Walker on March 6, 1998, in Talma. She survives.

Robert was a farmer, a bus driver for Argos Community Schools for 17 years, and also worked for several years for the Marshall County Highway Department.

He was a member of the First Baptist Church, Mentone. As a young man, he played the guitar and the piano. He enjoyed woodworking, clock collecting, working outdoors and spending time with his family.

Survivors include his wife, Barbara Swihart, Rochester; daughter Julia and husband John Baker, Warsaw; sons James Swihart, Rochester, Earl and wife Sandra Swihart, Bourbon, and Charles and wife Vicki Swihart, Rochester; 11 grandchildren; several great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren; five stepdaughters; one stepson; and several step-grandchildren and step-great-grandchildren.

Robert was preceded in death by his parents, Walter D. and Joanna Swihart; his first wife, Fern Swihart; two grandsons; two brothers, Arthur and Harold Swihart; sister Bernice Markley; and daughter-in-law Mary Swihart.

His funeral service is 11 a.m. Monday, Feb. 9, 2015, at King Memorial Home, 101 North Tucker St., Mentone, with pastor Michael Wilhite officiating. Visitation is 2-5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 8, 2015, at the funeral home.

Burial is to be at the Walnut Church of the Brethren Cemetery, Argos.

Memorial contributions may be made to the First Baptist Church, Mentone.

Share a memory or send an online condolence at <http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com>.

**David A. Griffey**

A memorial service for David A. GRIFFEY, who died Wednesday, Feb. 4, 2015, will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 11, 2015.

The service will be conducted at Grace United Methodist Church, Rochester.

Monday, February 9, 2015

**Chance N. Beck**

Chance N. BECK, 17, Macy, formerly of Akron, died Friday at his residence.

Survivors include his mother, Julie Shepherd, Macy; father Andrew Beck, Rochester; second mom Katrina Calloway, North Manchester; sisters Shana L. Leonhardt, Indianapolis, and Gracie Beck, Rochester; brothers Joshua Bailey, North Manchester, Wade Beck, Rochester, Noah Beck, North Manchester, Deontee Smith, Rochester, Steven Poe, Rochester, and Braydyn Poe, Rochester.

His memorial service is 1 p.m. Thursday at Akron Church of God.

Arrangements are by Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

**Arthur D. Fieser**

Arthur D. FIESER, 86, Rochester, died Jan. 15, 2015, in South Bend.

His funeral service is noon-2 p.m. Friday, Feb. 13, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Fay Duff**

Fay DUFF, 79, Tippecanoe, died Friday at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Survivors include her husband, Carl D. Duff, Tippecanoe; daughters Debra J. Nicodemus, Sierra Vista, Ariz., and Donna K. Burkholder, Waupun, Wis., and Denise M. Klingerman, Bourbon; sons John E. Duff, Plymouth, and William E. Duff, Argos; and sister Beatrice Patrick, Tippecanoe.

Her funeral service is 10 a.m. Wednesday at The Church of Jesus Christ, Argos, with visitation from 4-8 p.m. Tuesday at the church.

Arrangements are by the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.



## **Roger D. Rudd**

June 18, 1960 - Feb. 5, 2015

The Dallas Cowboys have lost one of their most loyal and devoted fans. Mr. Roger Dale RUDD, 54, Rochester, passed away Thursday, Feb. 5, 2015, at his residence.

On June 18, 1960, Roger was a treasured son born to James G. and Thelma Jean Howard Rudd. Growing up as the youngest of four he shared his childhood with a sister and two brothers. Roger was the JV and varsity manager of both football and basketball teams during his years at RHS. He continued to help with those responsibilities beyond his high school years. With great Zebra pride, he graduated in 1979 with his class from Rochester High School.

A lifelong sports enthusiast, Roger was loyal to America's football team, the Dallas Cowboys. For more than two decades, he and his Mom made an annual pilgrimage over Thanksgiving weekend to Dallas to watch the Cowboys and cheer them to victory. He enjoyed watching the Dallas Cowboy Cheerleaders and was quite comfy attired in his Dallas letter-styled jacket or licensed sweats and ball cap.

An avid Notre Dame fan, Roger always watched their football and basketball teams. He also was a huge fan of the Chicago Cubbies.

Left to cherish Rogers's memory are his mother, Thelma Rudd; two brothers, Larry Rudd and wife Josie and Dennis Rudd, all of Rochester; a niece, Laura Whitenite and husband Donn; a nephew, Joshua Rudd; and three great-nieces and nephews, Dakota, Cherokee and Cheyenne Whitenight; aunts and uncles, Eileen and John Davis, Dale and Sandy Rudd, Harold Howard, Paul and Phyllis Howard, Carl Howard and Ilene Howard; and several cousins.

Preceding Roger in death are his father, James, on June 18, 2014; his sister, Linda K. Rudd, on Dec. 25, 1995; and his grandparents.

A celebration of the life of Roger D. Rudd will be at 2 p.m. today, Feb. 9, 2015, at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with pastor Mike VanHeyningen officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 11 a.m. -2 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Interment will be in the Athens Cemetery.

Memorials in lieu of flowers may be made to the Rochester High School men's sports teams, P.O. Box 108, Rochester, IN 46975. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at <http://www.goodfamilyfh.com>.

**Gwendolyn R. Maus**

Gwendolyn R. MAUS, 90, Blair Ridge, formerly of Denver, Ind., died Friday at Blair Ridge Health Campus, Peru.

Surviving her includes one sister, Connie Hunt, Peru.

Her funeral service is 11 a.m. Wednesday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver, with visitation one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

**Billy C. Wyatt**

Billy C. WYATT, 83, Akron, died Thursday at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Survivors include his daughters, Karen Shane, Akron, and Gail Wyatt, Steelville, Mo.; sons Billy Wyatt, Rochester, and Tony Wyatt, Burbank, Ill.; brothers Dewey M. Wyatt, Batavia, Ill., and Luther Wyatt, St. Charles, Ill.

His funeral service is 11 a.m. Saturday at Liberty Baptist Church, Rochester.

Arrangements are by Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

Tuesday, February 10, 2015

**Chance Nicholas Beck**

June 23, 1997 - Feb. 6, 2015

Chance Nicholas BECK, 17, Macy, formerly of Akron, died Friday, Feb. 6, 2015, at his residence.

He was born on June 23, 1997, in Whitley County, to Andrew E. Beck and Julie A. Carr. Chance was a Tippecanoe Valley High School junior. In earlier years, he played baseball, basketball and football. For many years and most recently, he was very involved in the TVHS soccer program where he had been co-captain. He had received many academic awards that he displayed on his letter jacket. He was a member and enjoyed working out at the Fulton County Wellness Center, Rochester. Many people loved him.

Survivors include his mother, Julie Shepherd and companion Barry Vigar, Macy; father Andrew Beck and companion Tonia Smith, Rochester; second mom Katrina Calloway, North Manchester; sisters Shana Lynn Leonhardt, Indianapolis, and Gracie Beck, Rochester; brothers Joshua and wife Angela Bailey, North Manchester, Wade Beck, Rochester, Noah Beck, North Manchester, Deontee Smith, Rochester, Steven Poe, Rochester, and Braydyn Poe, Rochester; maternal grandmother Diane and Paul Bravell, Fort Wayne; paternal grandparents Dennis and Annette Ayres, North Manchester; paternal great-grandmother Grace Kester, North Manchester; and several

cousins, aunts, uncles and a niece He was preceded in death by maternal grandfather Phillip Carr and paternal grandfather Roger Guthrie.

His memorial service is 1 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 12, 2015, at Akron Church of God, 301 S. West St., Akron, with Rev. Susan Keirn-Kester and pastor Michael McFarland officiating.

Arrangements are entrusted to Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Chance Beck Memorial Fund via Bippus State Bank, North Manchester, or Hartzler Funeral Home. Share a memory or send an online condolence at <http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com>.

### **David A. Griffey**

David A. GRIFFEY, 76, was born April 2, 1938, and passed Feb. 4, 2015.

Dave is survived by his wife Carolyn; daughters Tami Barnes, Pearland, Texas, and Natalie Gehrich, Rochester; son Steve Griffey, Peru; seven grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and four siblings.

Dave was born in Center to Darrell Francis Griffey and Elsie Louis (Cunningham) Griffey. He graduated from Galveston High School in 1956.

On Oct. 12, 1957, he married the love of his life, Carolyn Louise Duncan.

Dave enlisted in the U.S. Army after high school and received an honorable discharge Dec. 31, 1962. After his Army service, Dave and Carolyn returned to Kokomo, where he was a delivery driver for Omar Bakery for 16 months. Dave then worked at Kokomo Gas and Fuel for two years. While working at the gas company, among other duties, he taught classes at a local adult school on gas furnace installations and service. He created his own curriculum because none was published at that time. He left the gas company to work for Kokomo Sales Company as a salesman and manager.

In 1972, after being approached by three other heating contractors who were concerned about contractor ethics and workmanship, Dave helped form the Plumbing, Heating and Cooling Contractors Association. He served as president the first two years.

In 1974, Dave and Carolyn formed a new company, Dave Griffey Contracting Service Inc., a residential and light commercial plumbing, heating and cooling company. He retired from there in 1991.

In 1993, Dave was elected a Howard County Commissioner, serving in that position until Dec. 31, 2000. While commissioner, Dave played a key role in enticing Daimler Chrysler to build the Chrysler Indiana Transmission Plant II in Kokomo.

Other accomplishments and community service included president of the Northwest Indiana County Commissioners and president of the Howard County Solid Waste Management.

Dave and Carolyn were members of the Pioneer Auto Club from 1973-2012. He was a founder of the Haynes Apperson Festival and served as chairman from 1975-1982. Dave was president of the “City of Firsts” Automotive Heritage Museum. Fulfilling a lifelong dream, he played an integral part in establishing the Kokomo Automotive Heritage Museum. He wrote two books about Kokomo’s automobile history, “The Pioneer,” and “Beyond the Pioneer.” He also wrote a book documenting the struggles and ultimate success of the Pioneer Auto Club in establishing the Kokomo Automotive Heritage Museum.

Dave was a member of Lions Club International, for more than 35 years in both Howard and Fulton counties. He received the Melvin Jones Fellow award for his dedicated work with the Lions Club. Dave also served as president of the Villas West HOA and the Hoosier Cruisers RV club.

Dave was very proud to be an American and of the opportunities it provided. He was very dedicated to God, his family and his country. He is dearly missed by family and friends... Attaboy Dave!

His memorial service is 10 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 11, 2015, at Grace United Methodist Church, Rochester. Visitation and celebration of his life will immediately follow, downstairs at the church. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the Grace United Methodist Church, Rochester, or to the Freedom Hunt, 200 Fourth St., Logansport, IN 46947.

Wednesday, February 11, 2015

### **E. Willodene Saner**

E. Willodene SANER, 81, Silver Lake, died Monday at Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw.

Survivors include her husband, Fred Saner, Silver Lake; daughters Julia Saner, Lebanon, Tenn., Marie London, Los Angeles, Elena Saner, Houston, and Cindy Okinczye, Vernon Hills, Ill.; brothers Ray Shelmadine, Mexico, and Ronald Shelmadine, Columbia City; and sister Connie Miller, New Carlisle, Ohio.

Her memorial service is 4 p.m. Thursday at Silver Lake Wesleyan Church, with visitation following the service at the church.

Arrangements are by Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

**Frank J. Yuraitis**

Frank J. YURAITIS, 73, Claypool, died Monday at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Arrangements are pending at Earl-Love Funeral Home, Akron.

Thursday, February 12, 2015

**Billy C. Wyatt**

May 2, 1931 - Feb. 5, 2015

Billy C. WYATT, 83, Akron, formerly of Burbank, Ill., passed away at 1:19 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, 2015, at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

He was born May 2, 1931, in Dyer County, Tenn., to Dewey and Alice (Fisher) Wyatt.

On Oct. 20, 1951, in Hernada, Miss., he was married to Janie E. Roberson, who passed away on April 20, 2014.

Billy was a Union Iron Worker Local 63 in Chicago. He was a member of the Liberty Baptist Church, Rochester.

He is survived by daughters Karen and husband Charles Shane, Akron, and Gail Wyatt, Steelville, Mo.; sons Billy Wyatt, Rochester, and Tony and wife Theresa Wyatt, Burbank, Ill.; six grandchildren, Charles and wife Brenda Shane, Karla and husband Jeremy Lane, Tony Wyatt Jr., Vanessa Wyatt, Army Specialist Brandon Wyatt P.F.C., and Airman 1st Class Mallory Almodovar and husband Mike; five great-grandchildren, Kealy, Jacob, Katie Joe, Charles and Carter; and brothers Dewey Mitchell and wife Beverly Wyatt, Batavia, Ill., and Luther and wife Joyce Wyatt, St. Charles, Ill.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Dewey and Alice Wyatt, wife Janie E. Wyatt, a sister and two brothers.

His funeral service is 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 14, 2015, at Liberty Baptist Church, 2089 Liberty Road, Rochester, with pastor Bill McSpadden officiating.

Memorial contributions may be directed to the Alzheimer's Association. Share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

Hartzler Funeral Home is entrusted with the funeral arrangements.

**Richard L. Arven**

Feb. 10, 1935 - Feb. 9, 2015

Richard L. ARVEN, 79, was born on Feb. 10, 1935, and passed away on Monday, Feb. 9, 2015.

He was born in Rochester to the late Victor and Mona Knotts Arven.

Richard is survived by his wife, Donna (Horn), Winterville, Ga.; daughters Lora Gurak (Paul), Georgia., Karen Fritts (Josh), Indiana, Susan VanLue (Eric), Indiana, Christy Lansangan (Joel), Florida, and Alonna Arven, Georgia; sons Greg Arven, North Carolina, Steve Arven, Indiana, and Jason Arven, Georgia; 13 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and brothers Larry (Mary) Arven, Indiana, and Albert Paul Arven, California.

On July 27, 1962, he married the love of his life, Donna J. Horn; together they celebrated 52 years.

He was on the very first Rochester Zebra football team and was well-known for his football and basketball skills. His height was an asset for the Zebras.

After high school, he enlisted in the Navy and completed four years. To further his education, he graduated from Western New Mexico University. He proudly served 16 years in the Air Force before his retirement. He was a Vietnam veteran, serving his country for over 20 years.

He grew up on Lake Manitou and just like his father he loved fishing and enjoying the great outdoors. He and his family enjoyed many travels to a variety of states and countries such as Germany, Saudi Arabia and Sri Lanka.

Richard was a very kind and selfless person who always put his family first.

A memorial service is 2 p.m. Friday, Feb. 13, 2015, at Lord and Stephens East Chapel, Athens, Ga.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Fulton County Welfare Department of foster care and adoptions.

### **Irma J. Pfof**

Irma J. PFOST, 80, Rochester, formerly of Hobart, died Wednesday at her residence.

Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Kewanna.

Friday, February 13, 2015

### **Irma J. Pfof**

Feb. 16, 1934 - Feb. 11, 2015

Irma J. PFOST, 80, Rochester, formerly of Hobart, passed away peacefully at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 11, 2015, at her residence surrounded by her family.

Born Feb. 16, 1934, in Germany, she was the daughter of the late Joseph and Johanna Apfelbacher.

Irma was a retired respiratory therapist. She worked in Kentucky, Idaho and Porter Memorial Hospital, Valparaiso.

She enjoyed spending time with family, especially her grandchildren.

Survivors include her children, Sonya Alasevich, Valparaiso, Ellen Catanzarite (Todd), Rochester, Linda Alasevich Jaeger, Rochester, Dona Streetman, Valparaiso, Tim Edmaiston (Tina), Rochester, and Monica Edmaiston, Seattle. She is also survived by eight grandchildren, Erika Grasham, Chad Grinder, Nicholas Alasevich, Leah Streetman, Luke Streetman, Charlie Streetman, Daniel Delarosa and Danielle Delarosa; six great-grandchildren; three brothers and three sisters.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Melvin Pfof in 2006, one son, Peter Alasevich, and one brother.

No service is to be conducted.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Center for Hospice Care, 112 S. Center St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Homes & Cremation Services, Kewanna.

Sign the online guest book or leave a condolence for the Pfof family at [www.ransfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com).

### **Ryan Lee Stacy**

March 18, 1984 - Feb. 10, 2015

Ryan Lee STACY, 30, Rochester, died Tuesday, Feb. 10, 2015, in Rochester.

He was born Sunday, March 18, 1984, in Plymouth, the son of Robert Lee Whitsall and Cathy Rutledge.

Surviving are his father, Robert Lee Whitsall, Plymouth; mother Cathy (Richard) Rutledge, Akron; grandmothers Marlene Stacy, Knox, and Helda Whitsall, Grovertown; brother Shane Warner, Plymouth; and sisters Amber Howard, Knox, and Heather Sehsedt, Winamac.

Friends will be received from 11 a.m. to time of service Saturday, Feb. 14, 2015, at the Braman & Son Memorial Chapel, Knox.

His funeral service is to be conducted at Braman & Son Memorial Chapel at 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 14, 2015, with Rev. Heath Hiatt officiating.

Interment will follow in the Fletcher Cemetery.

Contributions may be made to the family.

**Frank J. Yuraitis**

Frank J. YURAITIS, 73, died Monday at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Survivors include his wife, Donna Yuraitis, Claypool; daughters Cheryl Hood, Casselberry, Fla., and Cathleen Evans, Griffith; sons Keith Yuraitis, St. John, and Patrick Strickland, Crown Point; and four brothers, Duane, Donald, Bob and Lewis Yuraitis.

According to his wishes, cremation has taken place, and there will be no service.

Arrangements are by Earl-Love Funeral Home, Akron.

Saturday, February 14, 2015

**Charles Clevenger**

May 4, 1925 - Feb. 13, 2015

Charles CLEVENGER, 89, Rochester, passed away at 8:50 a.m. Friday, Feb. 13, 2015, at his residence.

He was born on May 4, 1925, in Fulton County, the son of Charles W. and Edith (Oliver) Clevenger. He served with the U.S. Marine Corps during World War II. On Oct. 1, 1974, in Rochester, he married Frances L. (Miller) Maxson. She preceded him in death on March 25, 2014.

Mr. Clevenger worked for many years at Torx, Rochester. He was a member of the Trinity United Methodist Church, Masonic Lodge, Eastern Star, Odd Fellows Lodge, Rebekah's Lodge, American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars. In his spare time, he enjoyed gun collecting and shooting.

Survivors include his children, Gary and wife Deb Clevenger, Rochester, Charlann Clevenger, Rochester, Linda and husband Bruce Lacher, South Bend, James and wife Maribel Maxson, Elkhart; 15 grandchildren; 26 great-grandchildren; and aunt Luetta Scibert, Columbus, Ga.

His funeral service is at 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 15, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with Rev. Buck Padilla officiating.

Friends may call from noon-2 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

Burial will be at a later date at Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association or Breast Cancer Association. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).



**Kay Ezra**

Aug. 10, 1937 - Feb. 12, 2015

Kay EZRA, 77, Mishawaka, passed away on Feb. 12, 2015, in the home of her daughter after an extended time of poor health.

Kay was born on Aug. 10, 1937. She was the daughter of Floyd 'Ted' and Kathryn Van Meter of Grass Creek. She was a 1955 graduate of Grass Creek High School. Kay worked for Bell Telephone and retired from there after many years of service.

Kay is survived by her four children, Vickie (Joe) Calcagno, James (Jeri) Ezra, Kathryn (Tom) Branstetter and Felecia Hoyt. Kay had 12 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. Also surviving are her sister, Lila (John) Ritschard; brothers Ted Van Meter and Martin (Sherry) Van Meter.

Preceding her in death are a brother, Jerry Myers, and granddaughter Amanda Ezra.

Neither visitation nor a memorial service are planned at this time.

**Ethel M. Smith**

Ethel M. SMITH, 88, formerly of Macy, died Thursday at Miller's Merry Manor, Peru.

Survivors include her two children, Charles Smith, Macy, and Beverly Brown, Denver; and one brother, John Grogg, Houston.

Her funeral service is 6 p.m. Monday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver, with visitation from 4-6 p.m. Monday at the funeral home.

**Betty J. Hagenbush**

Betty J. HAGENBUSH, 86, died Friday at her residence.

Arrangements are pending with the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

See Mrs. Hagenbush's complete obituary at [rochsent.com](http://rochsent.com).

Monday, February 16, 2015

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Tuesday, February 17, 2015

**Andrew E. Beck**

April 30, 1973 - Feb. 13, 2015

Andrew E. BECK, 41, Rochester, (Talma), formerly of North Manchester, unexpectedly passed at 10:25 a.m. Friday, Feb. 13, 2015, at his residence

He was born on April 30, 1973, in Independence, Mo., to Roger E. Guthrie and Annette Kester.

For the past 10 years, Tonia Smith, Rochester, was Andrew's companion, and she survives.

Andrew had been a veal calf feeder for Strauss Feeds, North Manchester. He attended high school in North Manchester. He loved watching the Cleveland Browns in the NFL, and Mark Martin was his family's driver in NASCAR. He enjoyed fishing on Sechrist Lake, and his children were the love of his life.

Survivors include his mother, Annette and husband Dennis Ayres, North Manchester; sons Wade Beck, South Whitley, and Noah Beck, North Manchester; daughters Shanna Lynn Leonhardt, Indianapolis, and Gracie Beck, Rochester; maternal grandmother Grace Kester, North Manchester; paternal grandmother Cleo Hippensteel, North Manchester; stepsons Deontee Smith, Steven Poe and Braydyn Poe, Rochester; sisters Abbie Isbell, North Manchester, and Lisa and husband Joseph Rioux, Sylvania, Ohio; stepbrothers Ryan Ayres, Dover, Ark., and Andy Ayres, North Manchester; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his son, Chance Beck, who passed Feb. 6, 2015, as well as his grandparents and father, Roger Guthrie.

His funeral service is 5:30 p.m. today, Feb. 17, 2015, at First Brethren Church, 407 N. Sycamore St., North Manchester, with Rev. Kurt Stout and Rev. Susan Keirn-Kester officiating. Visitation is 3:30-5:30 p.m. today, Feb. 17, 2015, at the church.

Arrangements are entrusted to Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Andrew Beck Memorial Fund payable at the Bippus State Bank or Hartzler Funeral Home.

Share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

**Betty J. Hagenbush**

Betty J. HAGENBUSH, 86, Argos, died Friday at her residence.

Survivors include her husband, Charles R. Hagenbush, Argos; daughter Gayle Kintigh, Goshen; sons Charles K. Hagenbush, Argos, and Kent I. Hagenbush, Fort Wayne; sister Lucille Olds, Sebring, Fla.; and brothers Eugene Preslar, Sparta, Ill.,

Orville Preslar, Belvidere, Ill., Otis Preslar, Hot Springs, Ark., and Allen Presla, Oregon.

Her funeral service is 11 a.m. Wednesday at the Walnut Church of the Brethren, Argos, with visitation from 4-8 p.m. today at the church.

Arrangements are by Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

### **Donald P. Joswiak**

Donald P. JOSWIAK, 81, Claypool, died Sunday at Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw.

Survivors include his wife, Naomi Joswiak, Claypool; and sons Donald Joswiak, Hobart, and Matthew Joswiak, Chicago.

In honoring his request, no funeral service or visitation are planned.

Arrangements are by Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

### **Betty J. Kinney**

Betty J. KINNEY, 79, Macy, died Friday at Blair Ridge Health Campus, Peru.

Survivors include her husband, John H. Kinney; five children, Ginger Fitzpatrick, Martinsville, Michael Newcomb, Las Vegas, Steven Newcomb, Noblesville, Rebecca Eisenhut, Indianapolis, and Elizabeth Bush, Peru.

Her memorial service is 5 p.m. today at McClain Funeral Home, Denver.

### **Olive May Master**

Sept. 22, 1928 - Feb. 14, 2015

Olive May MASTER, 86, Winamac, passed away at 5:47 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 14, 2015, at Hendricks Regional Health Hospital, Danville.

She was born on Sept. 22, 1928, in Winamac, to Walter and Cora Warmbrod Peters. Olive married Earl Robert Master on Feb. 20, 1949, at Lake Bruce. Earl died on March 4, 1974.

Olive was a member of Pleasant Hill United Methodist and the Circle of Love. She was a 50-year member of the Order of Eastern Star No. 96, Winamac.

Olive was a bookkeeper for Buckeye Elevator, Monterey, for many years. She was also a former teller at the First National Bank, Monterey.

Olive enjoyed playing bunco, cooking and farming. She also enjoyed sewing, crocheting and spending time with her family.

Survivors include her daughters, Nancy (Larry) Peters, Stilesville, and Bonnie (Robert) Elliott, Gonbach, Germany; 10 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; sisters

Ellen (Gene) Horn, Kewanna, Norma (Ralph) Master, Washington, Ill., and Lulu Belle Walker, Kokomo; and brother Willard (Helen) Peters, Winamac.

She was preceded in death by her father, Walter Lloyd Peters; mother Cora E. Warmbrod Peters; husband Earl Robert Master; daughter Beverly Kay Peterson; son Lemuel Lloyd Master; and sister Lucille Overmyer.

Her funeral service is 11 a.m. EST Thursday, Feb. 19, 2015, at Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church, Lake Bruce.

Visitation is from 3-8 p.m. EST Wednesday, Feb. 18, 2015, at Frain Mortuary, Winamac, and one hour prior to the service at the church on Thursday.

An OES service is at 7 p.m. EST Wednesday at the funeral home.

Burial is to be conducted at Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Lake Bruce.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Fund or the Heart Fund or Pleasant Hill Church.

Online condolences may be offered in the guest book at [www.frainmortuary.com](http://www.frainmortuary.com).

Arrangements have been entrusted to Frain Mortuary, Winamac.

### **David R. Trantum**

David R. TRANTUM, 75, Culver, died Monday, Feb. 9, 2015, at home.

Survivors include his daughter, Lori Corwin; his son, Brent Trantum; his mother, Jane Trantum; his brothers, Dennis and Tom; and a sister, Lisa Newman.

His memorial service will be conducted at a later date.

The Odom Funeral Home, Culver, is assisting with arrangements.

### **Helen E. Tyler**

Helen E. TYLER, 89, Peru, died Saturday at her residence.

Survivors include her children, Bill Tyler, Sharon Tyler, Sandy Tyler and Debra Wheatley, all of Peru.

Her funeral service is 1 p.m. Wednesday at First Assembly of God, Peru, with visitation from 11 a.m. until time of service at the church.

Arrangements are by McClain Funeral Home, Denver.

### **Peirce C. Redington**

Infant Peirce C. REDINGTON died Friday at IU Health, Goshen.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Wednesday, February 18, 2015

**Ramona A. Myers**

Ramona A. MYERS, 85, Rochester, died Tuesday at her residence.  
Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Phyllis Daulton**

Phyllis DAULTON, 92, Rochester, died Tuesday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Peirce D. Redington**

Infant Peirce D. REDINGTON, Nappanee, died Friday at IU Health, Goshen.  
Survivors include his parents, Ashley Cox and Robert Redington; and a brother, Camden S. Redington.

His funeral service is 11 a.m. Monday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

Thursday, February 19, 2015

**Ramona Ann ‘Monie’ Myers**

June 19, 1929 – Feb. 17, 2015

Ramona Ann ‘Monie’ MYERS, 85, Rochester, passed away at 4:05 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 17, 2015, at her residence.

She was born on June 19, 1929, in Hillsdale, Mich., the daughter of Emanuel and Opal (Lamborn) Caywood. She was raised in Rochester by her beloved aunt and uncle, Marjorie (Lamborn) and Hans Garfield Hanson. On Sept. 9, 1950, in Rochester, she married John W. ‘Bill’ Myers. He preceded her in death on Dec. 4, 2007.

Monie worked for many years in interior decorating with the House of Decor and worked with her husband Bill in the Mobil bulk oil business. In 1977, Monie and her husband purchased The Newsstand from Gates Thompson, where they enjoyed the newspapers, magazines, gifts and greeting cards. They enjoyed meeting all the wonderful people who frequented the store. They sold The Newsstand in 1992. The first few years of retirement were spent traveling to Florida and Arizona visiting various friends, families and training camp for the Chicago Cubs in Mesa, Ariz.

She was a member of Grace United Methodist Church and Tri Kappa. In her spare time, she enjoyed bird watching and gardening.

Survivors include her son, Jon Myers, Rochester; grandson Damon Myers, Indianapolis; brother Bob and wife Nancy Caywood, Rochester; and nieces and nephews Linda Myers Reno and husband Lee, Indianapolis, Debbie Caywood Magon and husband Richie, Pompano Beach, Fla., Tammie Caywood, Rochester, and Joe and wife Vicki Caywood, Arizona.

She was preceded in death by her parents, son Brett Garfield Myers, daughter Raynee' Marlen Myers and niece Vickie Caywood Parsons.

A private service will be observed.

Burial will be at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the United Ministries Food Pantry. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

Arrangements are by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

Friday, February 20, 2015

### **Phyllis J. Daulton**

Phyllis J. DAULTON, 92, Rochester, died Tuesday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

Survivors include her two daughters, Candace Ragland, Carmel, and Jill Alber, Rochester; and a son, Jack Daulton, Atlanta.

A private funeral service was conducted and arranged by Good Family Funeral Home.

Saturday, February 21, 2015

### **Peirce Devon Redington**

Feb. 13, 2015 - Feb. 13, 2015

Little Mister Peirce Devon REDINGTON, Nappanee, was surrounded by his loving family when he was born into Heaven at 5:43 a.m. Friday, Feb. 13, 2015, at IU Health Goshen Hospital. Peirce Devon was the precious son of Ashley L. Cox and Robert J. Redington.

God's blessings have been bestowed on Peirce Devon, weighing in at 5 pounds and 8.7 ounces. He was 19.5 inches in length. Very active in the womb, he joyfully listened to his mommy and daddy's voices. Everyone anticipated the arrival of this curious and vibrant little boy named Peirce, especially his big brother Camden.

Little Peirce Devon will always be lovingly remembered by his big brother, Camden Scott Redington; maternal grandparents Devon Cox and wife Karen, and

Tami Cox; paternal grandparents Lisa Hooker Keefe and John Paul Redington; great grandparents Floyd and Martha Cox, and Rita Hill; aunts Tangula Crawford and husband Allen, Callie Redington and companion Alex, Lynndy and Dusty Cox, and Kira Hill Shotts and husband Andy; and special uncle Cliff and Nancy Cox.

Funeral service for Peirce Devon Redington will be at 11 a.m. Monday, Feb. 23, 2015, at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with pastor Danny Honeycutt officiating. Friends may visit with the family one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

Interment will be at Athens Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family wishes for friends to bring a stuffed animal. The animals will be given to Toys for Tots in Peirce's memory.

Memorials may be made to Riley Hospital for Children, 705 Riley Hospital Drive, Indianapolis, IN 46202 or to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, TN 38105. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Monday, February 23, 2015

### **Jouit Dean Willis**

April 9, 1933 – Feb. 21, 2015

Jouit Dean WILLIS passed away peacefully Feb. 21, 2015, at Miller's Merry Manor, Peru, with wife Virginia, daughter Carla and brother Bobby at his side.

He was born April 9, 1933, in Patsy County, Ky., and moved with his family to Peru at age 5. He met his wife at the Streamliner Drive-In, Rochester, and they were married by Rev. Kinsey at her family's lake home on Lake Manitou. They spent 58 years together, enjoying camping, gardening, boating and traveling. They also enjoyed their children, grandchildren and friends upon retiring to the lake. Twelve winters were spent at Piney Point Mobile Park, Palmetto, Fla., where many new friendships were made.

Jouit retired from Kingston Products, Kokomo, and worked at Nails, Peru, and Kokomo Spring.

He is survived by his wife, Virginia (Cronin) Willis; his children, Michael (Melinda) Willis, Peru, Carla (John) Bontrager, Cicero, and Jeffrey (Ann) Willis, Lizton; grandchildren Briana Morehead, Jonathan Remley, Jennie Konkle, Jamie Remley, Jeremy Remley, Shannon Bontrager, Jared Bontrager, Cody Bontrager, Sara Willis, Shelby Broyles and Sylvia Willis; and great-grandchildren Michael, Ashton,

Cohle, Peyton, Audrey, Natalie, Levi, Tyler, Carly Rose, Kaylee and Alaina. Jouis also is survived by a sister, Lois Hoover, and a brother, Bobby Willis.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Clay and Sylvia Willis, and a brother, Lavone Willis.

Visitation is from 4-7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 25, 2015, with the funeral service to be conducted at 10 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 26, 2015, at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 103 W. Third St., Peru.

Burial is to follow at Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru, with full military rites.

In lieu of floral arrangements, memorials may be made to The Freedom Hunt, 200 Fourth St., Logansport, IN 46947 or the American Cancer Society.

### **Allen L. Baker Sr.**

Allen L. BAKER Sr., 86, Royal Center, died Friday at Miller's Merry Manor, Logansport.

Survivors include his children, Sonja K. Lindzy, Venice, Fla., Rick A. Baker, Ruth M. Baker, Robert L. Baker, all of Royal Center, Allen L. Baker, Logansport, and Linda M. Rude, Royal Center.

His funeral service is noon today at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Royal Center, with visitation from 10 a.m. until time of service.

### **Hubert G. Bender**

Hubert G. BENDER, 64, Macy, died Sunday at his residence.

Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

### **Jerry L. Kreamer**

Jerry L. KREAMER, 66, Monrovia, formerly of Kewanna, died Saturday at his residence.

Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel.

### **Emma L. Masteller**

Emma L. MASTELLER, 98, Kewanna, died Sunday at her residence.

Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel.

Tuesday, February 24, 2015



### **Virginia Ruth Zellers Cook**

Jan. 4, 1922 – Feb. 17, 2015

Atlanta, Texas — Virginia Ruth Zellers COOK, 93, died Tuesday, Feb. 17, 2015, in a Texarkana, Texas, nursing home.

Virginia was born Jan. 4, 1922, in Kewanna, to Arthur and Julia (Metzger) Zellers. She was a homemaker and a Baptist by faith. She was preceded in death by her husband, O.A. ‘Art’ Cook, in 1993, sister Marjorie Zellers Martin and brother Virgil R. Zellers.

Survivors include one daughter and son-in-law, Janelle and Jerry Whitehorn, Atlanta, Texas; one son and daughter-in-law, Ronald and Janice Cook, Omaha, Neb.; three sisters, Naoma (Babe) Seidel, Marilyn Williams and Nedra Bahler, Indianapolis; two brothers, Wayne Zellers, Sun City Center, Fla., and Herbert Zellers, Rochester; five grandchildren, Kim Whitehorn Burt, Toby Whitehorn, Karen Whitehorn Meinzer, Christopher Cook and Katelin Cook; seven great-grandchildren and a number of other relatives.

Virginia spent many years traveling the country with her husband, Art, who made the Air Force his career. They retired to East Texas where they built their own home in the Piney Woods. They enjoyed traveling with their RV club and spent many winters in warm South Texas. Virginia was an avid Texas Rangers baseball fan, rarely missing a televised game.

A graveside service was conducted at Pine Crest Cemetery, Atlanta, Texas, on Friday, Feb. 20, 2015, with Brother Wes Chambers officiating.

Burial was under the direction of Hanner Funeral Service, Atlanta, Texas.

Online registration is at [www.hannerfuneralservice.com](http://www.hannerfuneralservice.com).

### **Hubert G. Bender Jr.**

Hubert G. BENDER Jr., 64, Macy, died Sunday at his home.

There are no funeral arrangements planned at this time.

Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home is caring for the family.

### **Jerry L. Kreamer**

March 29, 1948 – Feb. 21, 2015

Jerry L. KREAMER, 66, Monrovia, passed away unexpectedly Saturday, Feb. 21, 2015, at his residence.

Born on March 29, 1948, in Fulton County, he was the son of Ralph Kreamer and Phyllis Brown. On Feb. 22, 1986, he married Rufina Sanchez.

He was a 1966 Kewanna High School graduate, a 1971 Indiana University graduate and a 1981 Purdue University graduate. Jerry was also a U.S. Army veteran.

Jerry was a retired computer programmer for Steel Dynamics, Pittsboro.

Jerry was a member of the Eminence Lions Club, and he was an avid IU fan. He enjoyed collecting trains, antique tractors and playing trumpet.

Survivors include his wife, Rufina Kreamer, Monrovia; children Matthew Kreamer (Lori), Martinsville, Lindsey Bailey, Indianapolis, and Michelle Spear (Josh), Indianapolis; mother Phyllis Pownall, Rochester; brother Verl Kreamer (Beverly), Kewanna; and three grandchildren, Noel Spear, Leia Bailey and Ethan Bailey.

He was preceded in death by his father, Ralph Kreamer, and one brother, infant Darl Ralph Kreamer.

His funeral service is 11 a.m. Friday, Feb. 27, 2015, at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel, with pastor Todd Wilson officiating.

Visitation is 4-7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 26, 2015, at the funeral home.

Burial with military rites will be conducted at Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Lake Bruce.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Eminence Lions Club.

Please sign the online guest book or leave a condolence for the Kreamer family at [www.ransfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com).

### **Emma Louise Masteller**

March 20, 1916 – Feb. 22, 2015

Emma Louise MASTELLER, 98, Kewanna, passed away peacefully at 4:45 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 22, 2015, at her residence.

Born on March 20, 1916, in Hannibal, Mo., she was the daughter of the late Walter W. and Nellie Wilson. On Dec. 7, 1933, she married Robert L. Masteller, and he preceded her in death on March 4, 1984.

Mrs. Masteller was a homemaker. She also assisted her husband on their farm for many years.

She was past matron of the Rochester Order of Eastern Star and a member of the Kewanna United Methodist Church, Daughters of the American Revolution and the Clan Gunn Society.

Survivors include her three sons, Billy Masteller (Ruth), Mishawaka, J. Masteller and Jonathan Masteller, both of Kewanna; six daughters, Dara Yoder, Argos, Mary Nell Smith (Ron), Twelve Mile, Barbara Wireman, Lafayette, Sally Masteller, Tuscon, Ariz., Martha Burns (Jeffrey), Atlanta, and Emma Masteller,

Redwood City, Calif. She is also survived by 19 grandchildren, 32 great-grandchildren and 19 great-great-grandchildren.

She was also preceded in death by two brothers, two sisters, daughter-in-law Cathy Masteller and son-in-law Clyde Wireman.

Her funeral service is 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 28, 2015, at Kewanna United Methodist Church with pastor Todd Wilson officiating.

Visitation is 4-7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 27, 2015, at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel, and also one hour prior to the time of service at the church on Saturday.

Burial will be at Citizens IOOF Cemetery, Kewanna.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna.

Sign the online guest book or leave condolences for the Masteller family at [www.ransfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com).

### **Patricia Merley Keim**

Aug. 1, 1926 – Feb. 21, 2015

Patricia L. KEIM, 88, Peoria, Ill., passed away at 3 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 21, 2015, at Proctor Hospital, Peoria, Ill.

Pat was born Aug. 1, 1926, in Akron, the daughter of Nyle and Edith (Smith) Merley. She was the youngest of five children. She graduated from Akron High School in the class of 1944. In July 1993, she married Marvin Keim.

Pat worked as a bookkeeper at I-V Die Mold Co. in Peoria. Later, she was the bookkeeper at Peoria First Assembly of God church as well as a member.

Survivors include her husband, Marvin Keim; her daughters Beth Ann and husband John Forkes, Waukesha, Wis., and Becky Sue and husband David Johns, Bartonville, Ill.; her only granddaughter, Amanda Forkes, Waukesha, Wis., as well as numerous nieces and nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews and great-great-nieces and great-great-nephews.

Preceding her were parents; two husbands, Richard Talbott, Metamora, Ill., and Edwin Johnson, Germantown Hills, Ill.; her stepmother, Josephine Merley, Akron; and one grandson, Matthew Johns, Bartonville, Ill.

Also preceding her in death were her two sisters, Martha Henning, West Allis, Wis., and Joanne Hiles, Rochester, and two brothers, Robert Merley, New Carlisle, and Ted Merley, Akron.

Pat's visitation is Sunday, March 1, 2015, from 2-4 p.m. at the Mason Funeral Home, Germantown Hills, Ill.

Friends may also call from 10-11 a.m. Monday, March 2, 2015, at the funeral home. Her funeral service will follow at 11 a.m.

### **Beverly Jennings**

Beverly JENNINGS, 87, died Monday at Hickory Creek, Rochester. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Wednesday, February 25, 2015

### **Dorothy May Henning Thews**

Nov. 22, 1928 – Feb. 23, 2015

Dorothy May Henning THEWS, 86, of Culver, died Monday, Feb. 23, 2015, at Miller's Merry Manor, Culver, surrounded by her five children. Dorothy was born Nov. 22, 1928, in Culver to Harry and Rubie Lasch Henning. She graduated from Culver High School in 1946 and from Christian College, Columbia, Mo., in 1948. On Sept. 20, 1947, she married Roger L. Thews, who preceded her in death on May 24, 1977.

She worked as a secretary at Culver Military Academy in the Admissions Office. She was an executive secretary for the Wickes Corp., Argos. She served as the park superintendent for the Culver Town Park. She retired from Culver Girls Academy as a residence director for Argonne Tower and then Benson Hall.

She was a member of Grace United Church of Christ, Order of the Eastern Star and the Maxinkuckee Junior Women's Club.

Dorothy was an avid reader and had a great appreciation for sports and music. She participated in sports in college and was a loyal fan to the Chicago Cubs, Bears and Bulls.

She loved her family above all else and delighted in watching her children and grandchildren perform in sports and musical events. She had a beautiful singing voice and enjoyed performing solos and in ensembles. She also sang in the church choir and for special occasions.

From a young age, she traveled with her family by train and car throughout the United States.

Survivors include her five children, Judith (Eric) Tipton, of Fort Wayne, Susan (Dennis) Eller, of Rochester, Virginia (Ronald) Cole, of Culver, Barbara (Larry) Rans, of Culver, and Roger (Susan) Thews Jr., of Culver; 11 grandchildren, Stacy Tipton, of Fort Wayne, Brett Tipton, of Indianapolis, Sarah (Adam) Zink, of Rochester, Andrew Eller, of Westerville, Ohio, Maija Cole, of Culver, Alexander Cole, of Culver, Julie

Rans (James) Vicsik, of Elkhart, Benjamin (Erin) Rans, of Elkhart, Michael (Tiffany) Dees, of St. Louis, Emily (Anthony) Thews-Baldrige, of Hudson, Ohio, and Roger Thews III, of Oklahoma City; six great-grandchildren, Brayden Zink, Camden Zink, Ava Robertson, Lanie Cooper-Rans, Reginald Rans and Ryder Rans; and six nieces and nephews, Thomas Curtis, David Curtis, Lindon Curtis, Colleen Curtis (Petar) Grozdanovski, James Thews and Jan (Don) Miller.

he was preceded in death by her husband, Roger L. Thews Sr.; her parents, Henry and Rubie Henning; daughter Jacqueline Ann Thews; sister Mildred Henning Curtis; and nephew Stanley Curtis.

A time of visitation with Dorothy's family will be conducted Thursday, Feb. 26, 2015, at Grace United Church of Christ, Culver, from 4:30-7 p.m., followed by a memorial service at 7 p.m.

Burial will be at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Culver Grace United Church of Christ or the Alzheimer's Association at [www.alz.org](http://www.alz.org) or a charitable organization of donor's choice.

Condolences may be sent via the obituary page at [www.odomfuneralhome.com](http://www.odomfuneralhome.com). The Odom Funeral Home, Culver, is assisting the family with arrangements.

### **Hubert G. Bender Jr.**

Hubert G. BENDER Jr., 64, Macy, died Sunday at his home.

Survivors include his wife, Joan Bender; and children Rickey Nelson, Noblesville, Bobby Nelson, Fulton, Jeff Nelson, Williston, N.D., Larry Bender, Westville, and Karen Bender, Noblesville.

There are no funeral arrangements planned at this time.

Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home is caring for the family.

### **Beverly Jennings**

Bev JENNINGS, 87, Rochester, died Monday.

Survivors include her children, Lisa Swope, Katie Miller, both of Rochester, Michael Jennings, Barre, Vt., Brian Jennings, Fort Gratiot, Mich., Wendy Anderson, New Paris, and Chris Jennings, Frisco, Texas.

Visitation is 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Saturday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. A private family service is to be conducted.

Thursday, February 26, 2015

## **Beverly M. Jennings**

Dec. 9, 1927 - Feb. 23, 2015

Bev JENNINGS, 87, of Rochester, went home on February 23, 2015. She was born in North Muskegon, Michigan, to George and Beatrice Olsen Mecher. She was the fourth daughter born to the union.

While growing up in Muskegon, Bev enjoyed spending the summers at the Lake Michigan Shore with her nieces Nancy and Ruth Anne. During the colder months she sewed doll clothes for the girls.

On October 16, 1954, Bev married C. Lee Jennings. Together they had six children. The Jennings crew enjoyed camping in Michigan when the children were young. Taking her children to Sleeping Bear Dunes, Benzie State Park and the blockhouse in Muskegon in addition to spending time, once again, at the Lake Michigan Shore, was a simple pleasure of Bev's. Sewing and knitting for her children and grandchildren also brought great joy.

Before moving to Indiana, Beverly was a floor supervisor and operator for General Telephone in Muskegon. She continued this with the Rochester Telephone Company until the company switched to direct dial in 1974. From there she went to Torin Corporation, from which she retired.

On April 25, 1982, her beloved husband, C. Lee Jennings, passed away. She suddenly became a single mother and grandmother. Her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren were her greatest joy.

As the matriarch of the Jennings clan, Bev instilled a strong work ethic while demonstrating a great love with the focus on her family, through her daily activities of raising six children while working full time with her communications employment. Over the years the family tree grew adding two more generations. Grandma "J" was remembered for her traditional homespun values and her unique sense of humor.

Bev's love to travel was enhanced with her sons' new home states of Vermont, Texas and Michigan. All of which she loved to visit for long stays when able.

In addition to her husband, Bev was preceded in death by her sisters; May Ella Mecher, Michigan; Ruth Mirabella, Florida; and Marge Vantrepott, Missouri; one brother, G. William Mecher, Alabama, and a granddaughter Ashley Swope.

Survivors include her children: Lisa and Bob Swope, Katie and Charlie Miller, all of Rochester; Michael Jennings, Barre, Vermont; Brian and Karen Jennings, Ft. Gratiot, Michigan; Wendy and John Anderson, New Paris, IN and Chris and Leslie Jennings, Frisco, TX. Remembering Grandma "J" are her grandchildren: Joe and Brianne Miller, Sarah Miller, Greg and Katie Miller, John Swope, Kyle and Adam VanMeter, all of Rochester; Rob Bruder, Indianapolis; Matt and Megan Jennings

Liberta, Albany, New York; Dan and Ben Jennings, Ft. Gratiot, Michigan; Andy and Haley VanMeter Stepp, Winamac; Hannah, Evan and Molly Jennings, Frisco, Texas. Great-grandchildren are: Brandon Swope, Vivian, Grayson, Vanessa and Graham Miller, Amari Parson-Swope, and Sam Stepp. Her granddogs, the Toulouses I, II, III and IV, Maggie, Daisy, Copper and Shadow brought joy to her throughout her life.

Friends may visit with the family from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Saturday, February 28, 2015, in the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 West 18th St., Rochester. Private family services will be held. Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to either the Fulton County General Unrestricted Fund through the Northern Indiana Community Foundation, or the Hickory Creek of Rochester Activity Fund. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Friday, February 27, 2015

### **Mary R. Thompson**

Mary R. THOMPSON, 87, Plymouth, died Thursday at Hickory Creek, Rochester. Arrangements are pending at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

Saturday, February 28, 2015

### **Mary Ruth (Hartman) Thompson**

Nov. 27, 1927 - Feb. 26, 2015

Mary Ruth (Hartman) THOMPSON, 87, 13430 15th Road, Plymouth, died at 1:17 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 26, 2015, at Hickory Creek nursing home, Rochester. She had been in declining health for several months.

She was born Nov. 27, 1927, in Culver, to William Lawrence Hartman and Orpha (Ringer) Hartman. She lived in Marshall County all of her life.

On June 12, 1955, in Argos, she married John Richard Thompson. He preceded her in death on Feb. 15, 1999.

She was a housewife and helped her husband operate their family farm. She also worked at McDonald's and was a meter reader for REMC.

Mary was a member of the First Baptist Church, now Cornerstone Church, Argos, and belonged to the Extension Homemakers Club and the Home & Hobby Club.

Mary was a graduate of Culver High School with the class of 1946.

Survivors include her daughter, Susan Botset and husband John, of Rochester; two grandchildren, Danielle Stayton, of Rochester, and David Stayton, of Plymouth; and brothers Darwin Hartman, of Culver, and Leo Hartman and wife Marge, of Plymouth.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, John Richard Thompson, and infant daughter Becky Ruth Thompson.

Friends may visit with the family from 10 a.m. – noon Monday, March 2, 2015, at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos.

Funeral service will follow the visitation at noon March 2, 2015, at the funeral home, with Pastor John Fishburn officiating.

Burial is at Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos.

Memorial contributions may be made to Marshall County 4-H; Attn: Extension Office, 112 W. Jefferson St., Room 304, Plymouth, IN 46563. Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.earlgrossmanfuneral.com](http://www.earlgrossmanfuneral.com).

Arrangements have been entrusted with the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

### **Joe Alber**

Joe ALBER, 73, Rochester, died Thursday at St. Joseph Hospital, Fort Wayne. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Monday, March 2, 2015

### **Jean G. Childs**

Jean G. CHILDS, 95, Rochester, formerly of Kokomo, died Saturday in Bremen. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

Tuesday, March 3, 2015

### **Richard G. Walters**

Dec. 22, 1928 – Feb. 26, 2015

Richard G. WALTERS, 86, of Osceola, died Thursday, Feb. 26, 2015, at Peabody Retirement Community.

The Silver Lake native was born Dec. 22, 1928, to Harley G. and Nerla M. (Hinsey) Walters. On Jan. 1, 1950, he married Jo Anne Hite. Richard was a U.S. Army veteran, serving during the Korean Conflict. He retired from Uniroyal after 38 years there. He was a member of Osceola United Methodist Church. He was a



proficient handyman and woodworker, who enjoyed fishing, bowling, playing the organ and his membership in the Michiana Organ Club. Richard also volunteered with Real Services and assisted with food service and Meals on Wheels. In addition to his parents, Richard was also preceded in death by his siblings, Robert and Earl, Maude, Kathleen, Betty and Donnabelle. He is survived by his beloved wife of 65 years, Jo Anne Walters, of Osceola, and several nieces and nephews, including Sharon and Tom Fites, of Akron.

His funeral service is 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 4, 2015, at Chapel Hill Funeral Home, 10776 McKinley Highway, Osceola, where friends may call for one hour prior to service.

Burial is in Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens.

The family's preferred memorial is Osceola United Methodist Church, 431 N. Beech Road, Osceola, IN 46561. To sign the online guest book or to offer condolences, please visit [www.chapelhillmemorial.com](http://www.chapelhillmemorial.com).

### **Brett Harmon**

Brett HARMON, 47, Lafayette, formerly of Warsaw, died Monday at his residence.

Arrangements are pending at King Memorial Home, Mentone.

### **Richard Ritchie**

Richard RITCHIE, 59, Rochester, died Monday at his residence.

Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

Wednesday, March 4, 2015

### **Jean G. Childs**

Sept. 30, 1919 - Feb. 28, 2015

Jean G. CHILDS, 95, Rochester, formerly of Kokomo, passed away at 4:40 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 28, 2015, in Bremen.

She was born on Sept. 30, 1919, in Winamac, the daughter of James P. and Gertrude Magdaline (Gilsinger) Falvey. On June 29, 1939, at St. Thomas Catholic Church, Knox, she married H.J. 'Jim' Childs. He preceded her in death on Feb. 1, 2003.

Jean graduated from Knox High School in 1936 and attended Indiana University in Bloomington. Mrs. Childs was a homemaker. She and her husband lived

in Tipton from 1953 to 1992 when they moved to Kokomo. They spent many years wintering at their home in Hollywood, Fla., and enjoying summers in Indiana.

While living in Tipton, she was a member of St. John the Baptist Church, where she was active in the Rosary Society, and a member of St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church, Kokomo. For many years, she was a member of the Ambassadors Travel Club, traveling extensively with her husband throughout much of the world. She was a dedicated mother to her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren and was most proud of her marriage of 63 years to her husband, Jim.

Jean was an avid sports fan, closely following both her Hoosiers and the Notre Dame Fighting Irish. She last attended an Irish football game at the age of 92. She loved watching the birds and squirrels and providing them with their favorite snack – peanuts. Jean was a great example to us in many ways, not the least of which was her art of letter writing. Her cards and notes were cherished by all.

Survivors include her four children, daughter Donna (Tim) Renie, Rochester, son James (Pat) Childs, Galien, Mich., son Donald (Connie) Childs, Phoenix, and daughter Kathy (Mike) Renie, Rochester; 13 grandchildren, Andy (Theresa) Renie, Indianapolis, Jeff (Darlene) Renie, Lafayette, Kevin (Abigail) Renie, Rochester, Steve (Whitney) Renie, Lafayette, James (Kate) Childs, San Luis Obispo, Calif., Allen Childs, South Bend, Robyn (Joel) Martin, Bothel, Wash., Mark McGrath, Phoenix, Mike McGrath, Phoenix, Nathan (Sisa) Renie, Chicago, Kara (Chris) Fleck, Fortville, Adam (Destini) Renie, Knightstown, and Hana (Nick) Trinidad, LaPorte; 30 great-grandchildren, Taylor and Amber Renie, Indianapolis, Jessie, Jake and Josh Renie, Lafayette, Reece and Davis Renie, Rochester, Will and Charlie Renie, Lafayette, Sophia, Cecilia, Luke and Jessica Childs, San Luis Obispo, Calif., Drew and Jack Martin, Bothel, Wash., Penny and Ambross Renie, Chicago, Jillian, Max, Lucy, Mia and Angela Fleck, Fortville, Nolan, Owen, Baeli, Jovie and Veda Renie, Knightstown, and Myles, Roman and Dexter Trinidad, LaPorte; sisters Joan Carlson, Constantine, Mich., Jan Childs, Rensselaer, and Joyce Cleaveland, Elkhart; and brother Tom (Fran) Falvey, Ocala, Fla.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, grandson Samuel Lee Renie and brothers William Falvey and Kenneth Falvey.

Mass of Christian Burial will be conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday, March 7, 2015, at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Rochester, with Rev. Bert Woolson officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to service at the church.

Entombment will take place at a private ceremony at Sunset Memory Gardens Mausoleum, Kokomo.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

Arrangements are by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

### **Mary L. Engle**

July 22, 1927 - March 3, 2015

Mary L. ENGLE, 87, Rochester, passed away at 9:55 a.m. Tuesday, March 3, 2015, at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

She was born on July 22, 1927, in Fulton, the daughter of Vern G. and Cleo L. (Showley) Eber. After graduating from high school, she attended South Bend Business College. On Feb. 26, 1949, in Fulton, she married Devon W. Engle. He preceded her in death on Sept. 10, 1991.

Mary, along with her husband, worked on the family farm for many years. When her three sons were in high school, she decided to go to work for six months to save some money. The six months turned into 20 years working for the former Chamberlains and Wenn's Factory in Akron.

She was an active member of Safe Harbor Church, Rochester, and enjoyed crocheting, knitting, word puzzles and jigsaw puzzles.

Survivors include her sons, Rev. Robert and wife Christy Engle, Denver, Ind., and Phillip and wife Deb Engle, Chili Ind.; grandchildren Richard Devon Engle, Indiana, James Devon Engle, North Manchester, Amy Hope and husband Paul Oprisek, Wabash, Jennifer Marie and husband Chris Rexroad, Mexico, Ind., Zachary Robert and wife Cassidy Engle, Fort Wayne, and Colleen Ann and husband Chet Baines, Peru; great-grandchildren Caleb Rexroad, Carson Rexroad, Jason Oprisek, Caden Engle, Claire Baines, Chloe Baines and Parker Engle; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her son, Charles Engle, grandson Robert Scott Engle and sister Pauline DePoy.

Her funeral service will be conducted at 2 p.m. Friday, March 6, 2015, at Safe Harbor Church, 1944 Sweetgum Road, Rochester, with Rev. Daniel Davidson officiating. Friends may call from noon-2 p.m. Friday at the church.

Burial will follow service at Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Muscular Dystrophy Association or Gideon's Bible International. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

Arrangements are by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Brett R. Harmon**

Brett R. HARMON, 47, Lafayette, formerly of Warsaw, died Monday at his residence.

Survivors include his mother, Betty Dotson, Warsaw; and sister Cheryl Reynolds, Goshen.

His funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Saturday at King Memorial Home, Mentone, with visitation from 5-7 p.m. Friday at the memorial home.

**Virginia R. Johnston**

Virginia R. JOHNSTON, 77, Argos, died Monday at her residence.

Survivors include her daughters, Patricia Miller, Argos, Cindy Thorpe, Argos, and Nancy Faucet, Clemmons, N.C.; son Virgil A. Hopwood Jr., Scott, Mich.; and sisters Joan Glick, Fallbrook, Calif.; and Shiela Hern, Washington, Ill.

Her funeral service is 6 p.m. Friday at New Song Community Church, Plymouth, with visitation three hours prior to the service at the church.

Arrangements are by Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

Thursday, March 5, 2015

**Richard M. Ritchie**

Sept. 27, 1955 – March 2, 2015

Richard M. RITCHIE, 59, of Rochester, died Monday, March 2, 2015, at his residence.

He was born Sept. 27, 1955, in Chicago, to Herschel and Beulah (Smith) Ritchie. He was married to Jean Dennis Johnson. Richard was a heavy machine operator for Miller Farm Drainage. He was involved with the 4-H Horse and Pony Club, supporting his daughter and continuing on for many years after her involvement.

Survivors include his daughter, Jennifer and husband Rick Thompson, Rochester; grandchildren Mackenzie, Shane, Parker and Courtney; mother Beulah Ritchie, Ellijay, Ga.; sisters Sheila Wright, Ellijay, Ga., and Lola Mercer, Bunker Hill; brothers Herschel and wife Jane Ritchie, Spring Valley, Ohio, Jim and wife Phyllis Ritchie, Macy, Lloyd and Kathy Ritchie, Bowersville, Ohio, Bill and wife Denise Ritchie, Ohio, David and wife Shawn Ritchie, Ellijay, Ga., and Doug Ritchie, Ohio.

He was preceded in death by his father, Herschel Ritchie, and his brother, Buddy.

His funeral service is 11 a.m. Saturday, March 7, 2015, at First Baptist Church of Mentone, 206 S. Oak St., with Pastor Michael Wilhite officiating.

Arrangements are entrusted to Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron.

Share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Bernard G. Busart**

Bernard G. BUSART, 83, Culver, died Monday in Rochester.

Survivors include his wife, Sue A. Busart, Culver; son Michael Busart, Culver; and sister Martha Shaw, Indianapolis.

His funeral Mass is 11 a.m. Friday at St. Mary's of the Lake Catholic Church, Culver, with visitation from 9:30 a.m. to time of service at the church.

Arrangements are by Odom Funeral Home, Culver.

Friday, March 6, 2015

### **Kenneth E. Holloway**

Feb. 15, 1946 - March 4, 2015

Kenneth E. HOLLOWAY, 69, of Etna Green, passed away at 12:42 a.m. Wednesday, March 4, 2015, at Parkview Regional Medical Center of Fort Wayne.

He was born Feb. 15, 1946, in Rochester, to Omer Jack and Hazel (Tilden) Holloway.

Kenneth worked for Midwest Spring of Mentone for more than several years. He was a member of the Warsaw Moose Lodge. He attended Talma school.

Survivors include his son, Terry and wife Stacy Holloway, Cromwell; granddaughter TaLisa Nida; sister Carole Feltis, Rochester; brothers Marion and wife Pauline Holloway, Rochester, and Richard and wife Terri Holloway, Mentone; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, nephew Christopher Holloway and his infant sister Vivian Holloway.

His funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, March 10, 2015, at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone, with Pastor Michael McFarland officiating. Visitation is 5-7 p.m. Monday, March 9, 2015, at King Memorial Home.

Burial is at Tippecanoe Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Mentone Fire Department.

Share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

**Cynthia A. Graves**

Cynthia A. GRAVES, 51, Macy, died Wednesday at her residence.

Survivors include her husband, Michael L. Graves Sr.; son Zachary J. Bauder, Twelve Mile; and father 'Dutch' Molenaar, Stevensville, Texas.

Her eulogy is 2 p.m. Sunday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver, with visitation from noon-2 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

**Brenda S. Holmes**

Brenda S. HOLMES, 57, Rochester, died Thursday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

Survivors include her parents, Willis and Clymenia Halterman, Rochester; and a sister, Angela Condon, Harvard, Ill.

Her funeral service is 11 a.m. Monday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation from 2-6 p.m. Sunday and one hour prior to the service Monday at the funeral home.

**Wilma I. Casper**

Wilma I. CASPER, 97, Effingham, Ill., formerly of Perrysburg, died Wednesday at St. Anthony Hospital, Effingham.

Arrangements are pending at McClain Funeral Home, Denver.

Saturday, March 7, 2015

**Brenda Sue Halterman Holmes**

March 3, 1958 - March 5, 2015

Brenda Sue Halterman HOLMES, of Rochester, passed away at 3:35 a.m. Thursday, March 5, 2015. She was surrounded by her loving family at Life Care Center of Rochester, just two days after her 57th birthday.

On March 3, 1958, Brenda was born in Rochester, a cherished daughter of Willis and Clymenia Tyler Halterman. With great Zebra pride, she graduated from Rochester High School with her class in 1977.

With a distinct gift of working with her hands, Brenda enjoyed crocheting and quilting. Her bedspreads were beautiful and treasured by family and special friends.

Using acrylic oils and watercolors as her medium, Brenda transformed flower pots and stepping stones into garden keepsakes.

Left to cherish Brenda's memory are her parents, Willis and Clymenia Halterman, of Rochester; a sister, Angela Condon and husband Shawn, of Harvard, Ill.; a niece, Lyndee Mersch and husband Mark, of Mercer, Pa.; a great-niece and great-nephew, Isabelle Mersch and Mason Mersch; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Preceding Brenda in death are her brother, Willis Halterman Jr. in 1995 and her grandparents.

A celebration of the life of Brenda Sue Holmes will be at 11 a.m. Monday, March 9, 2015, at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Pastor David Dittman officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 2-6 p.m. Sunday and one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Fulton County Animal Adoption and Education Center. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Beverly A. Neff**

May 1, 1936 - March 5, 2015

Beverly A. NEFF, 78, of rural Peru, died at 10:02 p.m. Thursday, March 5, 2015, at Woodbridge Health Campus, Logansport.

She was born May 1, 1936, in Miami County, to Robert and Lucille (Butt) Fouts. Beverly was a 1954 graduate of Chili High School. She married Ted A. Neff in Bunker Hill on June 6, 1954; he died Dec. 11, 2006. She was a homemaker and a member of Center Chapel First Brethren Church. She enjoyed reading, sewing, mowing her yard, working puzzles and spending time with her family.

She is survived by five daughters, Jean (Kenneth) Lawrence, of Logansport, Diane Neff, of Pullman, Wash., Darlene (Roger) Holiday, of Wabash, Nancy Neff, of Peru, and Linda Neff, of Goshen; nine grandchildren, Michael (Danielle) Lawrence, of Portland, Maine, John Lawrence, of Logansport, Matthew (Tiffany) Grimes, of Madison, Wis., Ben Grimes, of Washington, Jess Holiday, of Avon, Vanessa Holiday, of Bloomington, Tim (Mallery) Neff, of Whitestown, Charles Bender and Mykayla Bender, both of Peru; great-granddaughter Annabella Legg; brother-in-law Dan Neff; and sister-in-law Nelda Morris, all of Peru.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Ted A. Neff, her parents and her sister, Barbara Weller.

Funeral service is 10 a.m. Tuesday, March 10, 2015, at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 1241 Manchester Ave., Wabash, with Rev. Al Peck officiating. Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Monday at the funeral home.

Burial will be in Greenlawn Cemetery, Mexico.

Preferred memorial is Alzheimer's Association.

The memorial guest book for Beverly may be signed at [www.grandstaff-hentgen.com](http://www.grandstaff-hentgen.com).

### **Brett R. Harmon**

Brett R. HARMON, 47, Lafayette, formerly of Warsaw, died Monday at his residence.

Survivors include his mother, Betty Dotson, Warsaw, and sister Cheryl Reynolds, Goshen.

His funeral service is 10:30 a.m. today at King Memorial Home, Mentone. Visitation was 5-7 p.m. Friday at King Memorial Home Mentone.

Monday, March 9, 2015

### **Bernard 'Bernie' A. Sikora**

July 26, 1933 – March 5, 2015

Bernard 'Bernie' A. SIKORA, 81, passed away at 4:16 a.m. Thursday, March 5, 2015, at the Visiting Nurse and Hospice Home, Fort Wayne.

Bernie was born July 26, 1933, in Byesville, Ohio, to John G. and Josephine A. (Jurcak) Sikora.

He was a 1951 graduate of St. Benedict School, Cambridge, Ohio. Bernie attended Ohio State University and later graduated with an associate degree in business management from Purdue University.

Bernie served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War.

On March 8, 1969, Bernie and Lois E. Dill were married in Fort Wayne. They moved to Beaver Dam in 1973.

He worked as a foreman for ITT.

Bernie was a member of the Knights of Columbus, American Legion and Elks Lodge, all in Ohio. He loved his dogs and enjoyed shooting his rifles and sitting outside to enjoy nature. He enjoyed watching college football, especially Ohio State and Purdue. Bernie and son Mike had a great time restoring a springtime yellow 1966 Mustang. All shared in family time camping in the backyard, going to air shows and a special trip to Disney World in 2010. He gave a gold dollar coin for each year being



celebrated of the grandchildren's birthdays; he also gave them a gold dollar coin for every "A" they earned on their report cards.

Survivors include his wife, Lois E. Sikora, Beaver Dam; two sons, John (Beth) Sikora, Pierceton, and Michael 'Mike' (Michele) Sikora, Warsaw; four grandchildren, Hannah, Sean, Alicia and Logan; two sisters, Joanne (Richard) Sebek, Chino Hills, Calif., and Therese (David) Compton, Westfield; as well as one brother, Francis 'Frank' Sikora, Birmingham, Ala.

Bernie was preceded in death by a brother, John A. Sikora, on July 16, 1941.

Visitation and service will be conducted at a later date. Pastor David Hummel of Trinity United Methodist Church, Warsaw, will officiate.

Burial will be in Oakwood Cemetery, Warsaw, where military honors will be conducted by Warsaw's American Legion Post No. 49 and VFW Post No. 1126.

Memorials may be made to the Animal Welfare League of Kosciusko County, P.O. Box 1906, Warsaw, IN 46581-1906.

Titus Funeral Home, Warsaw, is caring for the family.

Visit [www.titusfuneralhome.com](http://www.titusfuneralhome.com).

### **Joyce A. Ricker**

Joyce A. RICKER, 72, South Bend, formerly of Rochester, died Saturday at Sanctuary at Holy Cross, South Bend.

Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

### **Victoria 'Vicky' L. Coffing**

Dec. 28, 1954 – March 7, 2015

Victoria 'Vicky' L. COFFING, 60, of Rochester, passed away Saturday, March 7, 2015, at her residence.

She was born Dec. 28, 1954, in Frankfort, Germany, to the late Robert H. and Patricia Joan (Snyder) Cain. On May 18, 1974, in Twelve Mile, she married George E. Coffing, who survives.

Vicky worked as a private home health care provider, and she enjoyed being a farmer's wife. She enjoyed spending time with her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was also a very active member of the Fulton United Methodist Church.

Surviving along with her husband, George, are three daughters, Georjeta Yeargan, Twelve Mile, Samantha (Kyle) Schanlaub, Rochester, and Jessica (Mikel) Fort, Kewanna; two sons, Jason Coffing, Twelve Mile, and Joshua (LeAnn) Coffing, Twelve Mile; 11 grandchildren, Austin Yeargan, Jesse Coffing, Ryan Coffing, Izabella and Abbagail Coffing, Krysta, Hunter and Cain Schanlaub, Hadlie and Elliot Coffing and Eric Fort; two great-grandchildren, Mryah and Branson Yeargan; two

sisters, Rozetta (Phil) Zimmerman and Teresa (Michael) Ayers, both of Logansport; and her beloved dog, Toby.

A celebration of life will be conducted at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, March 11, 2015, at the Fulton United Methodist Church with Pastor Todd Wilson officiating.

Burial will be in the Fulton Cemetery.

Visitation will be conducted from 3-8 p.m. Tuesday at Gundrum Funeral Home, Logansport, and one hour prior to the service at the church.

Memorials may be made to the Fulton United Methodist Church or the America Cancer Society.

You may sign the guest book and send online condolences at [www.gundrumcares.com](http://www.gundrumcares.com).

**Adalberto Gutierrez**

Adalberto GUTIERREZ, 57, Akron, died Saturday at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

**Howard Swafford**

Howard SWAFFORD, Kewanna, died Saturday at his residence.

Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel.

Tuesday, March 10, 2015

**Adalberto Arias Gutierrez**

Sept. 24, 1957 – March 7, 2015

Adalberto Arias GUTIERREZ, 57, of Akron, passed away at 8:18 p.m. Saturday, March 7, 2015, at Parkview Regional Medical Center of Fort Wayne.

He was born on Sept. 24, 1957, in Tepatitlan de Morelos, Jalisco, Mexico, to Salvador Gutierrez and Maria Delaluz Arias Munoz. Adalberto married Rachel Lucero on May 2, 1981, in Long Beach, Calif. He was a sheet metal mechanic and a farmer. He was a member of the Gospel Hill Pentecostal Church of God, Silver Lake. He praised the Lord, took care of his animals and enjoyed his family time.

Survivors include his wife, Rachel Gutierrez, Akron; daughter Luz Cristina and husband Matthew Haussmann, Talma; sons Juan Alberto and wife Nicole Gutierrez, Rock Lake, Jesus A. Gutierrez, Akron, and Diego A. Gutierrez, Akron; grandchildren Emma Hill, Abigail Haussmann, Braxton Gutierrez, Chloe Haussmann, Bella Gutierrez and Mattilyn Haussmann; sisters Raqlue Gutierrez de Rios, Anna Rosa Gutierrez and Cristina Isabel Gutierrez de Martinez, Tepatitlan de Morelos, Jalisco, Mexico.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his brother, Benjamin Gutierrez Arias.

His funeral service is 2 p.m. Thursday, March 12, 2015, at Gospel Hill Pentecostal Church Of God, 303 S. Jefferson St., Silver Lake, with Pastor Frank Whitaker officiating. Visitation is 2-4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, March 11, 2015, at the church.

Burial is at Akron Cemetery.

Arrangements are entrusted to Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron.

Memorial contributions may be made to Gospel Hill Pentecostal Church Of God, Silver Lake.

Share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

**Joyce Ann Ricker**

March 17, 1942 – March 7, 2015

Joyce Ann RICKER, 72, of South Bend, formerly of Rochester, passed away at 2:30 a.m. Saturday, March 7, 2015, at Sanctuary at Holy Cross, South Bend.

She was born on March 17, 1942, in Waterloo, N.Y., the daughter of Edward Wesley and Mildred (Marsh) O'Neil. Ms. Ricker worked in medical transcripts at St. Joseph Hospital, South Bend, Four County Counseling, Rochester, and for Med-Quist. She was a member of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program, Red Hatters Club and attended Timberland Bible Church, South Bend. She enjoyed crocheting, flowers and her cats.

Survivors include her children, Deborah (Van Dusen) and husband Mark Estes, Rochester, Walter J. and Brenda Van Dusen, Mishawaka, John and wife Roslyn Ricker, South Bend, and Joseph and wife Alison Ricker, Olive Branch, Miss.; grandchildren U.S. Air Force Maj. Justin and wife Anna Estes, Goldsboro, N.C., Cynthia and husband Christopher Morford, South Bend, Brittany and husband Derrick Voorhees, Rochester, Tami-Jo Kensell, Elkhart, Sydney and husband Tim Copeland, Chippewa, Pa., Adrian and husband Neal Dillon, Lawton, Okla., Ashley Singleton, North Liberty, Kari-Anne Van Dusen, Mishawaka, Emily Van Dusen, Mishawaka, Zoe Ricker, South Bend, Ava Grace Ricker, South Bend, Abigail Ricker, Elizabeth Ricker, Nathan Ricker, Sarah Ricker and Daniela Pineda, all of Olive Branch, Miss.; 17 great-grandchildren; brother Milton and wife Lillian O'Neil, Mishawaka; sister Mary Davis, Wenatchee, Wash.; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her brother, Robert O'Neil.

A celebration of life will take place at 6 p.m. Thursday, March 12, 2015, at Timberland Bible Church, 16623 Indiana 23, South Bend. Friends may visit one hour prior to service at the church.

Memorial contributions may be made to the National Kidney Foundation or the American Diabetes Association.

Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com). Arrangements are by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Howard Swafford**

Nov. 23, 1927 – March 7, 2015

Howard SWAFFORD, 87, beloved resident of Kewanna, passed away peacefully on Saturday, March 7, 2015, at his residence.

Born Nov. 23, 1927, he was the son of the late Ace and Daisy (Frazier) Swafford. He was raised with two brothers and six sisters in rural Star City. On Sept. 24, 1960, he married Charlotte Joan Hook, she survives. He was a U.S. Army veteran

serving in Korea during 1946-47. Howard formerly worked at Moyer Grain in Star City where he retired after 40 years. He drove semitruck for 10 of those years and was a mechanic for the last 30 years. For years, Howard did mechanic, body work and painting in his garage. He also did lawnmower repair. After retiring in 1990, he and Tom Crissinger owned a race car and ran it for many years at Shady Hill Raceway. That car was his pride and joy; as were his grandchildren, they were the rays of his sunshine.

In the early 1970s, he and many others helped build the Veterans of Foreign Wars No. 1121 in Kewanna, where he was a life member. He formerly served as commander and was a former committee member for several offices at the post.

Howard faithfully visited his wife daily. He enjoyed going to the local coffee shop to get the daily scoop and visiting with his friends. He especially loved sitting outside his home playing with his grandchildren.

Survivors include his wife, Charlotte Swafford, of Kewanna; three children, Kenneth Swafford (Lori), of Kewanna, Diana Miner (Franklin), of Logansport, and Karen Long (Loren McCollough), of Lakeville; seven grandchildren, Kevin, Brandi (Dan), Nick, Howard (Amanda), Ian, Fayette and Shelby; and seven great-grandchildren, Jaden, Jacob, Madison, Aubrey, Jayson, Elijah and Kyle. He is also survived by many nieces and nephews, one brother and one sister.

Funeral service will be conducted at 2 p.m. Thursday, March 12, 2015, at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel.

Visitation will be from 3-7 p.m. Wednesday, March 11 at the funeral home.

Burial with military rites will be at Grass Creek Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Howard Swafford Memorial Fund in care of the funeral home and/or Disabled Veterans Fund.

Sign the online guest book or leave condolences for the Swafford family at [www.ransfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com).

## **Mavis Freda Jump**

March 14, 1926 – March 7, 2015

Mavis Freda JUMP, 88, Mulberry, Fla., passed away Saturday, March 7, 2015.

She was born March 14, 1926, in Geddes, S.D., to Guy and Etta Van Schoonhoven. She attended South Dakota University where she met and married her husband, Pearl Allen Jump, on Sept. 29, 1946. Mavis was a loving mother and dedicated her life to helping others, having been the first director of the Fulton County Retired Senior Volunteer Program, a state supervisor for Title IX in Indiana, a state director in Indiana for the Commission on Aging and Habitat for Humanity president in Fernandina Beach, Fla. She did not fight for women's rights, she just took charge. She was the consummate minister's wife, singing in the choir, leading classes and writing a weekly newsletter. She loved to travel, and she and her husband spent

countless times traveling across the U.S. in an RV with her poodles. She loved to entertain and dance with her husband. She was an avid bridge player and a fan of the Colts and Jaguars. She was a breast cancer survivor. She was smart, amazing, feisty, compassionate, opinionated, stubborn – and loved by her family.

She is survived by three sons, Van A. Jump and wife Kathy, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada, Douglas B. Jump and wife Michele, Davenport, Fla., and Mark R. Jump, Lakeland, Fla.; nine grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband and her daughter-in-law, Nancy Graham Jump.

Mrs. Jump's ashes will be returned to the earth at a family gathering April 25, 2015, in the Friendship Garden of the Community Presbyterian Church of Atlantic Beach, Fla.

Wednesday, March 11, 2015

### **Karla Ann (Hattery) Meyer**

Aug. 28, 1971 - March 8, 2015

The Lord, Our Savior, called Karla home at 12:50 p.m. Sunday, March 8, 2015, at the residence of her parents after a courageous and long-fought battle with cancer.

A daughter of Max and Sue Hattery, she was born on Aug. 28, 1971, and married Ronald Meyer on April 29, 2000.

Karla was a 1990 graduate of North Miami High School and a 10-year Miami County 4-H member. She went on to graduate with a Bachelor of Science in nursing from Eastern Kentucky University in 1994, earning a nursing degree. While at college, Karla belonged to the Lambda Sigma Honor Society and the Kappa Delta Tau sorority, where she formed many long-lasting friendships.

She served as a registered nurse at Jewish Hospital in Cincinnati, Ohio, Dukes Memorial Hospital in Peru and was currently employed at Woodlawn Hospital in Rochester. Her passion was nursing and caring for patients, which she did until becoming ill. She spent her life serving others in the field of health care through her role as a registered nurse in the areas of med-surg and oncology, as a CPR instructor and an instructor in the areas of cardiac and diabetic education.

Not only did Karla assist those in need of health care, she served the community by volunteering at school with children, coaching Upward Bound youth basketball and serving at Denver Baptist Church where she was a member. She enjoyed watching North Miami sporting activities and cheering for the Chicago Bears.

Karla leaves to cherish her memory, husband Ronald Meyer; daughter Abbigayle; son Carson; stepdaughter Erin Fisher (Matt and their children Ryan and Reid), West Harrison; parents Max and Sue Hattery, Macy; twin sister Karen Byrum (Roger), Twelve Mile; and brothers Kent Hattery (Debbie), Reading, Mass., and

Kevin Hattery (Erica), Houston. She also leaves behind nieces and nephews Evelyn, Elizabeth and Edison (Karen and Roger), William, Andrew, Grace and Catherine (Kent and Debbie); and several aunts, uncles, cousins and close friends.

Karla's contagious smile, infectious laughter, fun-loving attitude and enthusiasm for life touched all of those around her every day. Karla leaves us with this verse from Jeremiah 29:11, "For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

Family and friends will gather for visitation on Thursday, March 12 from noon-7 p.m. at the Mexico Church of the Brethren. A celebration of life will be conducted on Friday, March 13 at 11 a.m. also at the Mexico Church of the Brethren with Chaplain Jason See and Pastor Tim Earle presiding.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Northern Indiana Miami Community Foundation in memory of Karla Meyer.

### **James W. Turner**

March 7, 1926 - March 10, 2015

James W. TURNER, 89, Rochester, passed away surrounded by his loving family at 11:40 a.m. Tuesday, March 10, 2015, at Life Care Center of Rochester.

He was born on March 7, 1926, in Monterey, the son of Elisha and Vada (Morrison) Turner. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II and the Korean War. On Aug. 6, 1955, in Norfolk, Va., he married Sondra Basham, and she survives.

Mr. Turner was a self-employed machinist, operating Turner Machines for over fifteen years. He also worked for Torx and Safeway for numerous years. After retirement, he spent many years escorting manufactured homes all across the country. He was a member of the Rochester Church of the Nazarene and enjoyed working in his yard, garden and workshop and following his beloved Chicago Cubs.

Survivors include his wife, Sondra Turner, Rochester; children Jo and husband Philip Pugh, Logansport, Bill Turner, Rochester, Michael Turner, Mishawaka, Robin and husband Ron Lewis, Rochester, and Patti Burns, Rochester; grandchildren Remus Shindledecker, Logansport, Sondra Burns, Rochester, Tommy Burns, Rochester, and Maggie May Hollar, Argos; and several great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, grandson Quinton Shindledecker, brother John Turner and sister Gertrude Harmon.

His funeral service is 2 p.m. Thursday, March 12, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with Pastor Don Meyer officiating. Friends may call one hour prior to service at the funeral home.

Burial will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

Thursday, March 12, 2015

**Wilma I. Casper**

Wilma I. CASPER, 96, formerly of Perrysburg, died Wednesday, March 4, 2015, at St. Anthony's Memorial Hospital, Effingham, Ill.

Survivors include her children, Linda Demorest, Boise, Idaho, Lawrence Casper, North Manchester, and Lyle Casper, Effingham, Ill.

Her funeral service is 12:30 p.m. Saturday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver, with visitation from 10:30 a.m. until time of service Saturday at the funeral home.

**Catherine L. Horban**

Catherine L. HORBAN, 87, Rochester, died Wednesday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Survivors include three daughters, Suzanna Lozano, Hamilton, Ohio, Mary Ross, Peru, and Angela Miller, Rochester; six sons, John Pratt, Rochester, Gerald Horban, Elkhart, Blaise Horban, Colleyville, Texas, Andrew Horban, Rochester, Giles Horban, South Bend, and Stephen Horban, Rochester; and two brothers, Paul Henriott, Rochester, and Jim Henriott, Knox.

A Mass of Christian burial is 11 a.m. Saturday at the St. Joseph Catholic Church, Rochester, with visitation from 5-8 p.m. Friday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Kenneth D. Trent**

Kenneth D. TRENT, 54, Peru, died Friday at Dukes Memorial Hospital, Peru.

Survivors include one son, David Trent, Columbus, Ohio; daughter Kendra Trent, Peru; and two sisters, Doris Trent, Tipton, and Cindy Hicks, Kokomo.

The family is planning a memorial service to be conducted at a later time.

Arrangements are by McClain Funeral Home, Denver.

Friday, March 13, 2015

**Catherine Laverne Horban**

Oct. 7, 1927 - March 11, 2015

Catherine Laverne HORBAN, of Rochester, died at Woodlawn Hospital of Rochester where she had been a patient for three days. Her health had been declining for several years.

Born in Louisville, Ky., to John B. and Edna Tabler Henriott, she lived her adult life in Rochester. She graduated from Rochester High School and was employed at the Wiles Department Store in Rochester.



Catherine first married Melvin Pratt and produced a son. Later, she married Robert H. Horban on July 23, 1955, in the St. Joseph Catholic Church of Rochester. Together they raised a family and farmed at 3719 N. Old U.S. 31, Rochester, until 1999 when they moved into Rochester.

She was a member of the St. Joseph Catholic Church and a member of the Altar and Rosary Society for many years. Catherine's greatest love and achievement was as a homemaker and the mother of 10 children. She relished in the fact that all her children are successful in their adult lives.

Catherine will be lovingly remembered by three daughters, Suzanna Lozano, of Hamilton, Ohio, Mary Ross, of Peru, and Angela Miller, of Rochester; six sons, John Pratt and wife Nancy, of Rochester, Gerald Horban and wife Beth Ann, of Elkhart, Blaise Horban and wife Lynne, of Colleyville, Texas, Andrew Horban and wife Vickie, of Rochester, Giles Horban and wife Suzanne, of South Bend, and Stephen Horban and wife Patricia of Rochester; 31 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; two brothers, Paul Henriott and wife Gertrud, of Rochester, and Jim Henriott and wife Bea, of Knox; and several nieces and nephews.

Preceding Catherine in death are her parents, her husband on Feb. 7, 2004, her daughter, Andrea Maria Horban, on Aug. 23, 1976, and three grandchildren.

A Mass of Christian burial will be at 11 a.m. Saturday March 14, 2015, at the St. Joseph Catholic Church, 1310 Main St., Rochester, with Father Bert Woolson as celebrant. Friends may visit with the family from 5-8 p.m. today, March 13, 2015, at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. The Rosary will be recited at 7:30 p.m. today.

Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Catholic Charities in her memory.

Online expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Rev. Dr. Ronald W. Liechty**

July 13, 1933 - March 11, 2015

PLYMOUTH – The Rev. Dr. Ronald W. LIECHTY passed away at home as a result of complications following a stroke on Wednesday evening, March 11, 2015, with his family at his side.

Pastor Ron was 81 years old. Born July 13, 1933, in South Bend, Ron was the eldest child of Clarence E. and Verna (Welty) Liechty. He grew up working in his family's business, the Liechty Hatchery, and being involved in the South Bend Table Tennis Club. He played on the U.S. tournament circuit from 1947-51 and ultimately won the junior singles national championship. He graduated from Riley High School in 1951 where he had been a six-year member of the marching band. He then graduated from DePauw University with a degree in economics in 1955. Drafted into

the U.S. Navy, Ron witnessed the poverty and human need of post-war Asia as he spent his shore leave visiting missionaries in each Far East port. The experience forever changed the focus of Ron's life. He returned from his two years of service to enroll in Garrett Evangelical Seminary in Naperville, Ill., and began serving Evangelical United Brethren congregations while a student there. He received his Master of Divinity degree and was ordained in 1960. After denominational merger, Ron served in the North Conference of the United Methodist Church until he officially retired in 1980. In 1982, after finishing his Doctor of Ministry degree at Christian Theological Seminary in Indianapolis, Ron formally affiliated with the United Church of Christ, accepted the call from the First United Church of Christ in Plymouth in January 1983. He retired from that pulpit in 1998 but continued to do interim ministry for the next 14 years, serving five area congregations. Plymouth's UCC congregation awarded him the honorary title of pastor emeritus in 2002.

Ron's passion throughout his ministry was local church mission and ecumenism. As a pastor, he emphasized reaching out to the community and working cooperatively to demonstrate God's love in practical ways, working to solve community problems and to meet human needs. He was co-founder of the Adams Street Ministries that continues cooperative programming among five local churches. His favorite phrase was, "God doesn't call us to be religious. God calls us to be faithful." Ron was the consummate "trouble shooter" and was sought after for his calm and deliberate approach to running meetings and chairing boards in both religious and secular contexts. Ron's passion for making a difference kept him active and involved in his adopted Plymouth community until his life-altering stroke on Dec. 1, 2013.

Ron was also beloved by his family for his sound advice and stoic support in every life situation. He leaves behind his wife of 33 years, Anna (Bach) Liechty; eldest son Brian (and Becky) Liechty, of Plymouth; daughter Susan Lynn (and Larry) Peterson, of Tucson, Ariz.; foster daughter Debbie (and Damon) Bush, of Plymouth; stepson Bryan Crable (and Billie Murray), of Ardmore, Pa; and stepdaughter Audrey Lorraine (and Dean Anthony), of Fishers. Together the family circle includes 12 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren with another great-grandson due in June. Ron is also survived by his brother, Richard (and Kay) Liechty and his sister, Evangeline (and David) Gleason, both of South Bend, his sister Carolee (and Howard) Ogburn, of Davenport, Fla., and his sister-in-law Nancye Fowler, of Plymouth, as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a daughter, Sheryl Ann Liechty.

Ron's influence will continue to be felt in the many organizations he helped succeed over the years. He volunteered at the Boys and Girls Club since its inception, where the children called him "Mr. Ping Pong." He served as president of the Garden

Court Board and worked to improve housing for seniors and the developmentally disabled for 22 years, overseeing the construction of 10 facilities and adding 197 housing units for the elderly and disadvantaged. He served on the board of directors of the Marshall County Historical Society since 1993, and as its president since 2001, guiding the museum's award-winning expansion. The Community Resource Center, dedicated in 2012, realized a 26-year dream Ron pursued to assist social service agencies. Plymouth's Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center presented him with the Community Spirit Award in 2000. The Plymouth Chamber of Commerce recognized him with the Distinguished Citizen Award in 2003 and the Volunteer of the Year Award in 2007. The Marshall County Community Foundation bestowed a Lifetime Achievement Award in 2013. Ron learned in January that he was to receive a second Sagamore of the Wabash award from the governor, Indiana's highest civilian honor. Ron once said that his only hobby in life was "helping make things happen." His legacy serves as proof of a life well spent in that pursuit.

The family asks that memorial contributions be made to First United Church of Christ or to other community organizations through which Ron Liechty invested his life, for example, the Community Resource Center or the Marshall County Historical Society Museum. Such contributions may be made through the Marshall County Community Foundation, 2710 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

Friends may call on Monday, March 16, 2015, from 2-5 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth. Services will be conducted at First United Church of Christ, 321 N. Center St., Plymouth, on Tuesday, March 17 at 11 a.m. Calling will continue at the church after 10 a.m. until time of services. Rev. AnnMarie Kneebone will preside.

Burial will be in the New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Notes of condolence and special memories may be shared with the family through the website: [www.johnson-danielson.com](http://www.johnson-danielson.com).

Saturday, March 14, 2015

### **A. Virginia Romaine Thomas**

Dec. 11, 1914 - March 13, 2015

A. Virginia Romine THOMAS, 100, formerly of rural Etna Green, passed away at 5 a.m. Friday, March 13, 2015, at Millers Merry Manor, Warsaw.

She was born Dec. 11, 1914, in Mishawaka, to Octave and Ida (McWilliams) Archambeault. She was married May 3, 1932, in Bluffton, to Marvin Romine, he preceded her in death July 2, 1976. She then married Ward Thomas on Nov. 3, 1981, and he preceded her in death Sept. 13, 1996.

Virginia was a homemaker.

She was a graduate of Argos High School. She was a member of the Harrison Center Church of Etna Green where she taught children's Sunday school for five years. She also was a member of the Merry Mollies Home Extension Club for many years and the Widow to Widow Club. She wintered in Sebring, Fla.

Survivors include her daughter, June and husband Harold Personett, Gilead, Roann; sons David and wife Dorene Romine, Mentone, James and wife Barbara Romine, Mentone, Wayne and wife Nancy Romine, Etna Green, and Dan and wife Diana Romine, Columbia City; stepdaughters Jennine and husband Wade Bentz, Indio, Calif., and Darlene and Jim Maurer, Leesburg; 16 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; and five great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; husbands; sons John and Tommy Romine; sisters Lillian Chapin, Violet Herrin and Margaret Higgnbothum; and brothers Russel, Clarence, Melvin and Jack Archambeault.

Her funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, March 17, 2015, at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone, with Pastor Larry Goss officiating.

Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Monday, March 16, 2015, at King Memorial Home, Mentone.

Burial is to be at Harrison Center-Wooden Cemetery, Etna Green.

Memorial contributions may be made to Harrison Center Church, Harrison Center-Wooden Cemetery or the Harbor Light Hospice.

Share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Joseph L. Alber**

Joseph L. ALBER, 73, Rochester, died Thursday, Feb. 26, 2015, at St. Joseph Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Survivors include his son, Christopher Alber, Kansas City, Mo.; a daughter, Kathryn Asala, Charlotte, N.C.; and a sister, Elaina Henry, Indianapolis.

His funeral service is 11 a.m. Thursday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

### **Jerry Honeycutt Jr.**

Jerry HONEYCUTT Jr., 44, of rural Akron, died March 13, 2015. Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

Monday, March 16, 2015

**Janice E. 'Jan' Pugh**

Feb. 19, 1949 - March 15, 2015

Janice E. 'Jan' PUGH, 66, Rochester, passed away at 8:57 a.m. Sunday, March 15, 2015, at her residence.

She was born on Feb. 19, 1949, in Rochester, the daughter of Lowell D. and Betty (Sherrard) Thousand. On Feb. 4, 1984, in Rochester, she married Dale E. Pugh, and he survives.

Mrs. Pugh was a hairdresser operating Hair We Are. She also worked for Wyles Department Store and Spurgeons. She was a member of Grace United Methodist Church, Order of the Eastern Star and the American Legion Auxiliary. In her spare time she enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren, solving sudoku puzzles, following Notre Dame sports and her dogs.

Survivors include her husband, Dale E. Pugh, Rochester; sons Drew Foreman, Macy, and Derrick Foreman, Rochester; stepchildren Kelli R. and husband Seth Nevins, New Whiteland, Kevin D. and wife Jill Pugh, Rochester, Shannon Pugh, Rochester, and Travis and wife Becky Pugh, Argos; grandchildren Gage Foreman and Hannah Foreman, both of Macy, Candace Foreman, Kelsey Foreman and Kyra Foreman, all of Rochester, Alyssa Rennaker, Brittney Castro, Jacob Nevins and Mackenzie Nevins, all of New Whiteland, Eli Pugh and Ean Pugh, both of Rochester, Alston Pugh, Clarksville, Tenn., Taylor Pugh, Rochester, Tori Pugh, McKenna Pugh, Kole Pugh, Sydney Pugh, Jayce Pugh and Kendra Pugh, all of Argos; three great-grandchildren, Conner Nevins, Emery Rennaker and Daxton Rennaker, all of New Whiteland; mother Betty Thousand, Rochester; brother Lowell 'Jay' and wife Lynda Thousand, Rochester; sisters Maryanna 'Ann' Thousand, Rochester, and Nancy and husband John Pratt, Rochester; and several nieces, nephews, cousins and her black lab Bubba.

She was preceded in death by her father.

Visitation will be from 4-8 p.m. Wednesday, March 18, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

Private interment will take place at Corinth Brethren Cemetery, Twelve Mile.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Fulton County Animal Adoption and Education Center or the Fulton County Public Library.

Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

**Stanley A. Cramer Sr.**

Stanley A. CRAMER Sr., 87, Rochester, died Saturday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Survivors include his wife, Helen; six children, Daniel Moore, Lafayette, Linda Snowberger, Lafayette, Stanley Cramer Jr., Stoughton, Wis., Emma Salkill, Cleveland, N.C., Theresa Neil, Kokomo, and Jennifer Babcock, Rochester; and a sister, Ellen Ross, Kodiak, Ark.

His funeral service is 11 a.m. Wednesday at the Church of Christ, Rochester, with visitation from 5-8 p.m. at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, Tuesday and one hour prior to the service at the church Wednesday.

### **Ruth I. Fisher**

Ruth I. FISHER, 95, Rochester, died Sunday at Wynnfield Crossing, Rochester.

Her funeral service is 3 p.m. Wednesday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation one hour prior to the service.

### **Frank J. Pegg**

Frank J. PEGG, 87, Mexico, died Thursday at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Survivors include three children, Darryl Pegg, Mexico, Denise Alberts, Peru, and Darren Pegg, Bunker Hill.

His funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at New Life United Methodist Church, Mexico, with visitation from 5-7 p.m. today at McClain Funeral Home, Denver.

### **Halsie F. Holcomb**

Halsie F. HOLCOMB, 92, Peru, died Thursday at Blair Ridge Health Campus, Peru.

Arrangements are pending at McClain Funeral Home, Denver.

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

### **Joseph Lee Alber**

Jan. 16, 1942 - Feb. 26, 2015

Joseph Lee ALBER, 73, of Rochester, passed away at 10:40 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 26, 2015, at St. Joseph Hospital of Fort Wayne.

On Jan. 16, 1942, Joe was born to Thurlle Paul and Glendola Mae Cummings Alber. He graduated from Rochester High School with the class of 1960. With great pride, he joined the U.S. Air Force in 1960, served in Vietnam from April 1965 through April 1966 and was honorably discharged in 1968. For many years he worked in commercial construction, retiring from Rochester Homes in 2007.

Joe is lovingly remembered by his companion, Dianna Cheesman; a son, Christopher Alber and wife Janel, of Kansas City, Mo.; a daughter, Kathryn Asala and husband Douglas, of Charlotte, N.C.; four grandchildren, Samuel and Kacie Alber and

Daniel and Breanna Asala; a sister, Elaina Henry and husband Bruce, of Indianapolis; and several nieces and nephews.

Preceding Joe in death are his parents; his wife, Gloria Fellers Alber; his brother, R. Mark Alber; and a nephew, Nathan W. Alber.

A proud member of the LeRoy Shelton American Legion Post 36 for 47 years, Joe was currently serving as the post commander. He also served in that capacity during 1995-1996 and was the past 2nd District commander of Indiana from 2006-2007. He previously held several other jobs during his tenure at Post 36. As a 20-year member, Joe served as the chefe de grac of the 40&8 from 1998-1999. Other memberships also included 43 years with Rochester Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1314 and 23 years with Rochester Fraternal Order of Eagles Lodge 852.

A celebration of the life of Joseph Lee Alber will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, March 19, 2015, at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Chaplain Dan DeCrow officiating. Military rites will be accorded by the Wright-Patterson U.S. Air Force Honor Guard and the Fulton County Honor Guard. Friends may visit with the family one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

Following the service, a meal will be served at 1 p.m. for family and friends at the LeRoy Shelton American Legion Post 36. Please bring your favorite story about Joe to share during the meal.

In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting that memorial contributions be made to the Fulton County DAV Vehicle Fund, c/o Fulton County Auditor, 125 E. 9th St., Rochester, IN 46975 or the Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 758517, Topeka, KS, 66675. Envelopes are available at the funeral home.

Online expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Ruth Isabell Fisher**

Sept. 27, 1919 - March 15, 2015

Mrs. Ruth Isabell FISHER, 95, of Rochester, passed away at 4:03 a.m. Sunday, March 15, 2015, at Wynnfield Crossing where she had made her home since 2005.

On Sept. 27, 1919, Ruth was born in Fulton County, a cherished daughter of Vincen E. and Anna Fern Kline Teeter. Growing up, she shared her childhood with a sister, Dorothy, and two brothers, Ray and Robert. After high school, Ruth graduated from cosmetology school in Chicago.

Ruth and Loy H. Fisher were married April 30, 1939. Together they enjoyed more than 57 years of life's adventures. They made their home in southwest Michigan where they enjoyed fruit farming. Loy and Ruth annually introduced new plants and trees to their more than 200-acre fruit farm. With great pride, they manicured the plants, sprayed, oversaw pollination and the bountiful autumn harvest of the juicy apples and peaches and succulent blueberries and strawberries. Aunt Ruth and Uncle

Loy are remembered for their sharing the fruits of their labor with family and special friends.

Always opening their home to family for extended visits, our revered Aunt Ruth was an extraordinary hostess and a terrific cook, preparing feasts fit for a king. She dearly loved to entertain. She is remembered for her graciousness and a great sense of humor. Uncle Loy and Aunt Ruth were also adept at square dancing, floating around the floor with precision moves to the calls. To relax, they wintered in Florida for a number of years from October to March, garnering many new friends.

Numerous nieces and nephews are left to cherish memories of Aunt Ruth including Walter and Donna Koebcke, of Kewanna.

Preceding Ruth in death are her parents; husband; a sister, Dorothy Scherer; and two brothers, Robert V. Teeter and Ray Alderfer.

A celebration of the life of Ruth Isabell Fisher will be at 3 p.m. Wednesday, March 18, 2015, at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Pastor Teri White officiating. Friends may visit with the family one hour prior to the service.

Interment will be in the North Shore Memory Gardens, Coloma, Mich.

Memorials may be made honoring her memory to the Plymouth Congregational Church, 123 First St., Watervliet, MI 49098. Envelopes are available at the funeral home.

Online expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Stanley Arthur Cramer Sr.**

Aug. 27, 1927 - March 14, 2015

Mr. Stanley Arthur CRAMER Sr., 87, of Rochester, was surrounded by his loving family when he passed away at 3:50 p.m. Saturday, March 14, 2015, at Woodlawn Hospital.

On Aug. 27, 1927, Stanley was born in Fostoria, Ohio. He was a treasured son of Harry and Amy Louisa Wolcott Cramer. As the youngest of three, growing up he shared his childhood with a sister, Ellen and a brother, Lawrence. With great pride, he graduated from Fostoria High School with his class in 1945.

Following high school, patriotism beckoned, and Stanley answered the call, enlisting with the U.S. Air Force. His tour of duty concluded 23 years later at Grissom Air Force Base. He achieved the rank of senior master sergeant in the area of logistics.

On Oct. 4, 1958, near Springfield, Ohio, Stanley married the love of his life who later became his best friend, Helen Schilliger Cramer. Together they shared more than 56 years of life's adventures while raising seven wonderful children. The family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of 16 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.



After retiring from the Air Force, Stanley earned a Bachelor of Science degree in social studies secondary education. An esteemed substitute teacher for a number of years, Mr. Cramer was affectionately known by his students as “Sarge.” He taught many of the students at Maconaquah, North Miami. Peru, Rochester and Caston schools.

A devoted member of Rochester Church of Christ, Mr. Cramer worked with many youth groups and taught Sunday School classes. In his earlier years, he reached out to the youth by coaching the boys of summer – little league teams while residing in New Mexico. Some will remember him as the manager of our Burger Chef many years ago.

A man of perpetual motion, always busy with his hands, Stanley was quite at home in his woodshop. An extraordinary craftsman he thrived on making custom creations for his family, turning out benches, turtle foot stools and piggy banks. An animal lover, Stanley and his family experienced the joy of pets, sharing their home with dogs, cats, gerbils and goldfish over his children’s formative years.

Stanley is lovingly remembered by his wife, Helen; six children, Daniel Moore and wife Kathy, of Lafayette, Linda Snowberger and husband Carl, of Lafayette, Stanley Cramer Jr. and wife Nancy, of Stoughton, Wis., Emma Salkill, of Cleveland, N.C., Theresa Neil and husband Bob, of Kokomo, and Jennifer Babcock and husband Don, of Rochester; son-in-law Dave Tharp, of Peru; 16 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; and a sister, Ellen Ross and husband Bill, of Kodiak, Ark.

Preceding Stanley in death are his parents; a daughter, Lois Tharp; a granddaughter; a grandson; a great-grandson; and a brother, Lawrence Cramer.

A celebration of the life of Mr. Stanley Arthur Cramer Sr. will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, March 18, 2015, at the Church of Christ, 120 E. Fifth St., Rochester, with Rev. Jim Dillinger officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 5-8 p.m. today at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, and one hour prior to the service at the church.

Interment will be in the Paw Cemetery in Miami County.

Military graveside rites will be accorded by the U.S. Air Force Honors Team and the Fulton County Veteran’s Honor Guard.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Church of Christ, 120 E. Fifth St., Rochester, IN 46975 Online expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Wednesday, March 18, 2015

**Rudolph Calzavara**

Sept. 26, 1928 - March 15, 2015

Rudolph J. 'Rudy' CALZAVARA, 86, Hebron, Ill., died Sunday, March 15, 2015, at home.

Among his survivors are his sister-in-law, Joan M. Graham, Rochester; niece Christina M. Seiler, Rochester, and nephew Kenneth Graham, Huntley, Ill.

Rudy's funeral service is 11 a.m. Monday at Burnett-Dane Funeral Home, Libertyville, Ill., where for many years he lived and raised his family as the owner of The Big Hat Rodeo Co.

Interment will be at St. Mary's Cemetery, Fremont Center, Ill.

### **Lawrence Basham**

Lawrence BASHAM, 82, Mishawaka, died Tuesday at Signature Healthcare, Bremen. Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

### **Judy A. Feldman**

Judy A. FELDMAN, 70, Akron, died Tuesday at Peabody Retirement Community, North Manchester. Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

### **Suzan Fincher**

Suzan FINCHER, 69, Macy, died Tuesday at Miller's Merry Manor, Logansport. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Thursday, March 19, 2015

### **Suzan Kay Fincher**

Sept. 4, 1945 - March 17, 2015

Mrs. Suzan Kay FINCHER, 69, of Macy, passed away at 12:40 p.m. Tuesday, March 17, 2015, at Millers Merry Manor of Logansport.

On Sept. 4, 1945, Suzan was born in Ogden, Utah, to Ted and Letha Mae Newcomer Merley. Suzan and Lowell Fincher were married on July 13, 1963, in Macy.

Suzan is lovingly remembered by her husband, Lowell; two daughters, Jody Taylor and husband Sam, of Logansport, and Tracy Knappen and husband Ed, of Macy; a son, Andrew Fincher and wife Jodi, of Akron; nine grandchildren, Courtney Hruby and husband Zachery, Ashley Taylor, Seth Fincher, Jesse Knappen, Bethany Brock and husband Tyler, Megan Knappen, Josie Knappen, Becca Knappen and Chrissy Knappen; a sister, Cheryl Merley, of Akron; two sisters-in-law, Marilyn Storey and husband Dave and Lois Baich; and a brother-in-law, Joe Fincher and wife Patsy.

Preceding Suzan in death are her parents and a sister, Karen Wilson.

A celebration of the life of Suzan Fincher will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, March 21, 2015, at Calvary Temple Assembly of God, 2908 W. 200 North, Peru, with Pastor Kevin Palmer officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 3-8 p.m. Friday and one hour prior to the service at the church. Interment will be in the Plainview Cemetery of Macy.

Memorials may be made to Gideon's International.

Online expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Arrangements have been entrusted to the Good Family Funeral Home of Rochester.

### **Judy A. Feldman**

Jan. 17, 1945 - March 17, 2015

Judy A. FELDMAN, 70, of rural Akron, passed away at 6:45 p.m. Tuesday, March 17, 2015, at Peabody Retirement Community of North Manchester, surrounded by her husband and daughters when she met her Lord and Savior

She was born Jan. 17, 1945, in Warsaw, to C. Wayne and Mary (Idle) Lynch. On March 20, 1965, she married David L. Feldman in Mentone, and he survives Judy was a homemaker.

She was a 1963 graduate of Mentone High School. She was a member of the Beaver Dam United Methodist Church, an avid quilter and a faithful and dedicated wife and mother.

Survivors include her husband, David L. Feldman, Akron; daughters Dana Feldman, Warsaw, and Rachelle Carson and companion Micheal Neiman, Shipshewana; brothers Dick and wife Betty Lynch, Claypool, and Terry Lynch, Leesburg; and sister Janice and husband John Feldman, Akron.

She was preceded in death by her parents, sister-in-law Jean Lynch and nephew Tony Feldman.

Graveside service is 1:30 p.m. Saturday, March 21, 2015, at the Mentone Cemetery with Rev. Evelyn Taylor Haney officiating.

No visitation is planned at this time.

Arrangements are entrusted to Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Lewy Body Dementia Association, 912 Killian Hill Road, S.W. Lilburn, GA 30047 or at [www.lbda.org](http://www.lbda.org).

Share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Lawrence 'Larry' A. Basham**

May 8, 1932 - March 17, 2015

Lawrence ‘Larry’ A. BASHAM, 82, of Mishawaka, passed away at 3:45 p.m. Tuesday, March 17, 2015, at Signature Healthcare of Bremen after being in failing health for three years,

Larry was born May 8, 1932, in Logansport, to Stuart and Juanita (Benson) Basham. He married Mary Etta Cox on May 18, 1952, in Fort Smith, Ark.

He worked for American Electric Power for 26 years as a lineman and a supervisor. He also owned and operated, with his wife, South Bend Pools and also 3E Electric and Construction Inc. for many years.

Larry graduated in 1950 from Logansport High School, where he played football and ran track. He then got redshirted at the University of Minnesota where he had a scholarship. He was then drafted during the Korean War, serving in the U.S. Army. He was a member of the St. Joseph County Valley Home Builders. He enjoyed being outdoors, farming and loved Notre Dame.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Etta Basham, Mishawaka; daughter Cindy and husband Richard Osborn, Mishawaka; grandsons Blaine Osborn, Seattle, and Neil Osborn, West Lafayette; and brother Jerry and wife Connie Basham, Kokomo.

He was preceded in death by his brothers, Franklin Thomas and Phillip Basham.

His funeral service is 3 p.m. Friday, March 20, 2015, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Pastor Thad Stewart officiating.

Visitation is 2-3 p.m. Friday, March 20, 2015, at the funeral home.

Burial is at Akron Cemetery.

Memorial contributions are open to donor’s choice.

Share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Mary E. Appleman**

Mary E. APPLEMAN, 93, Knox, died Wednesday at Catherine Kasper Life Center, Donaldson.

Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel.

Friday, March 20, 2015

### **Mary E. Appleman**

Dec. 3, 1921 - March 18, 2015

Mary E. APPLEMAN, 93, of Knox, passed away peacefully at 4:15 a.m. Wednesday, March 18, 2015, at Catherine Kasper Life Center in Donaldson.

Born Dec. 3, 1921, in Rochester, she was the daughter of the late Russell and Ruth (Charters) Beghtel. On June 8, 1940, she married Kenneth Appleman. He preceded her in death in June 1991.

She was a 1939 Kewanna High School graduate.

Mary was a retired licensed practical nurse, or LPN.

She was a member of Suburban Bible Church in Highland, and she attended Knox United Methodist Church. Mary enjoyed sewing, crafts, playing cards and bowling in her younger years.

Survivors include two daughters, Marilyn Ringen, of Knox, and Nancy Mantel (Paul), of Dyer; sisters Janice Corbett (Robert), of South Bend, Bonnie Barker (Virgil), of Winamac, and Barbara Gochenen; five grandchildren, Jennifer Skinner (Michael), Thomas Bitterling, Stephanie Arwood (Joe), Robert Lyons and Katherine Porojcic (Mark); 10 great-grandchildren, Ashley Arwood, Alexandria Bulick, Jordan Bulick, Victoria Bulick, Cassidy Porojcic, Sophia Porojcic, Nicholas Bitterling, Brady Bitterling, Chloe Bitterling and Hannah Bitterling.

She was also preceded in death by a daughter, Carol Sue Walters, brother Joseph Beghtel, sisters Patsy Schrader, Clara Sue Albee and Doris Tircuitt, adoptive parents Mr. and Mrs. Ferd and Stella Grube, grandchildren Nick Lyons and Emily Bitterling and son-in-law Richard Ringen.

Her funeral service is 1 p.m. Saturday, March 21, 2015, at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel, with visitation from 11 a.m. until the time of service.

Burial will follow at Kewanna Citizens IOOF Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Suburban Bible Church and/or Youth for Christ.

Please sign the online guest book or leave a condolence for the family at [www.ransfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com).

### **Anna B. Coughenour**

Feb. 11, 1935 - March 17, 2015

Anna B. COUGHENOUR, 80, of 301 S. Pine St., Akron, passed away March 17, 2015, at 9:20 p.m. at Life Care Center of Rochester.

Anna was born Feb. 11, 1935, in Pulaski County, to Cecil and Hazel (Wilhelm) Clingler. She lived for 56 years in Akron, coming from Delong. On March 30, 1957, in Leiters Ford, she married Kenneth Devon Coughenour.

She worked at Chamberlain Products in Akron and then most of her life at Eaton Controls in North Manchester where she retired. She was a member of the Olive Branch Church in Roann. Her pastimes were crocheting and sitting outside, enjoying the outdoors. Most of all, she loved spending time with her grandchildren.

Survivors include her son, Michael (spouse Vickie) Coughenour, of Akron; sisters Mildred Weiger, of Indianapolis, and Violet (spouse Eugene) Farris, of Salyersville, Ky.; sisters-in-law Shirley Clingler, of Delong, Joan Clingler, of Tippecanoe, and Josephine Clingler, of Akron; grandchildren and great-grandchildren

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband Kenneth D. Coughenour (1987), daughter Kathy Bucher (2004) and brothers Mel, Virgil and Irvin Clingler.

Visitation is 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, March 21, 2015, at Earl-Love Funeral Home, 811 E. Rochester St., Akron.

Her funeral service is 1 p.m. Saturday, March 21, following visitation at the funeral home, with Pastor Jeff Sumner, of Olive Branch Church, officiating.

Burial is at Akron IOOF Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Olive Branch Church youth group, 4581 E. 1200 North, Roann, IN 46974.

Online condolences may be made online at [www.earllovefuneralhome.com](http://www.earllovefuneralhome.com).

Saturday, March 21, 2015

### **Betty D. Gordon**

Betty D. GORDON, 90, Rochester, died Friday at Life Care Center, Rochester. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

Monday, March 23, 2015

### **Betty D. Gordon**

Oct. 4, 1925 – March 20, 2015

Betty D. GORDON, 90, Rochester, passed away at 3:12 p.m. Friday, March 20, 2015, at Life Care Center of Rochester.

Betty was born on Oct. 4, 1925, in Rochester, the daughter of Lawrence and Ora (Brown) Castle. On Nov. 20, 1943, in San Diego, she married Virgil 'Paul' Gordon, after his completion of basic training with the U.S. Marine Corps and prior to his deployment to the South Pacific during World War II. Paul preceded her in death on June 22, 2005. They were married for 62 years, and she never stopped missing him and loving him.

Betty worked as a supervisor for Olin in Mexico, Ind. She retired from Olin at the age of 58.

Survivors include her nieces and nephews, Terry and husband Richard Schwartz, Valencia, Calif., Kenneth and wife Julie Love, Battle Ground, Wash., Claudia McCarty, Westfield, and Mark Fribley, Warsaw; and great-nieces and great-nephews, Rick Schwartz, Lynda Newman, Lesleen Riley, Craig Schwartz, Jon Love, Marc Love, Vince McCarty and Vaughn McCarty.

She was preceded in death by her sisters, Lola Alexander and Emelyn Crabtree, and brother, Alvah 'Pete' Castle.

Burial will take place in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

No service or visitation will be observed.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Best Friends Animal Society, 5001 Angel Canyon Road, Kanab, UT, 84741. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

Arrangements are by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

### **Jerry M. Honeycutt**

Jerry M. HONEYCUTT, 44, Akron, died Friday, March 13, 2015, at his residence.

Survivors include his daughter, Paige Honeycutt, North Manchester; father Jerry L. Honeycutt; and sister Amy Wilson, Ormond Beach, Fla.

His funeral service is 6 p.m. Saturday at House of Prayer, Akron, with visitation one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

### **Robert E. Bird Sr.**

Oct. 15, 1923 – March 21, 2015

Robert E. BIRD Sr., age 91, of Culver, died early Saturday, March 21, 2015, at St Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Robert was born to Earl and Carrie Bird on Oct. 15, 1923, in Du Quoin, Ill. Upon her remarriage, he was reared by Carrie and Kenny Stevens, along with his two sisters, Loretta (Stevens) Butt, of Marion, Ill., and the late Irma Jean (Stevens), of Kankakee, Ill.

Robert joined the Civilian Conservation Corps in Giant City, Ill., at the age of 16 and soon followed with an enlistment in the U.S. Army in 1940. He rose to be staff sergeant during his almost five years in Company G of the 10th Infantry, where he was a light machine gunner. During these years, he distinguished himself by earning the Bronze Star, Good Conduct Medal and the Purple Heart for bravery during battle in the European Theater.

Upon his discharge in 1946, Robert married Lois Turner. Shortly thereafter, they moved to the Culver community, where both enjoyed the fellowship of many friends. During their 28-year marriage, they parented three children, Betty (David) Munchenburg, of Merrillville, Robert (Paulette) Bird Jr., of Charles Town, W.V., and the late Patricia Bird, of La Porte. In addition, Robert has 12 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

In 1981, Robert married Gladys (Beck-Hinson), who preceded him in death in 2006. From this marriage, he had two stepdaughters, Theatus (Ted) Miller and Juanita (Gene) Ponsler, of Texas, as well as three step-grandchildren.

Friends may join Robert's family in celebrating his determined commitment to life at the Odom Funeral Home, Culver, on Tuesday, March 24, 2015, from 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. A spiritual service will be officiated by Pastor Bob Metzger at 12:30 p.m.

Burial will follow immediately at Graceland Cemetery, Valparaiso.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his name to the Wounded Warrior Project.

The Odom Funeral Home, Culver, is assisting the family with arrangements.

**Kenneth Dee Smiley**

Oct. 22, 1926 – March 21, 2015

Kenneth Dee SMILEY, 88, of Logansport, passed away at 3:40 a.m. Saturday, March 21, 2015, at St. Elizabeth hospital in Lafayette.

Born Oct. 22, 1926, in Fulton County, he was the son of the late Vern and Ethel (King) Smiley.

On March 1, 1947, in Mishawaka, he was married to Amma Piercy, who survives.

Kenneth was a retired electrical analyst for Delco in Kokomo where he had worked for 21 years.

An Army veteran of World War II, he was a member of the Main Street United Methodist Church, Logansport, a life member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 3790, and the America Legion Post No. 60. He owned and operated Smiley TV service in the 1960s. He was also a scoutmaster, and he received the Silver Beaver Award and the District Award of Merit.

Surviving with his wife are one son, Kane Everest (Marta) Smiley, of Logansport; two daughters, Jerry Ann Chomko, of Logansport, and Mickie Darlene Holt, of Bedford; one brother, James Lee Smiley, of Argos; two sisters, Margaret Vanderheyden, of California, and Carol Jean Florian, of Zionsville; eight grandchildren, Mark (Kathleen) Krueger, Erik (Nikki) Smiley, Karen (Bryce) Caudle, Jennifer (Ben) Rance, Ryan (Rachael) Edwards, Patrick Chomko, Shannon (Jeremy) Foreman and Lindsay Endris; and 22 great-grandchildren, Gage, Mark, Cadence and Joe, Cole and Jackson, Brylie and Caden, Bryanna, Tanner, Ethan, Alex, Sydney, Ella and Eli, Luke and Emma, Dylan and Owen and Daysha, Lilly and Shelby.

He was preceded in death by one son, Kerry Franklin Smiley, and three brothers, Sam, Richard and Paul Smiley.

A funeral service celebrating the life of Kenneth Smiley is 11 a.m. Thursday, March 27, 2015, at Main Street United Methodist Church, Logansport, with Pastor Damon Soper officiating.

Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Wednesday at Fisher Funeral Chapel, Logansport.

Interment will follow in Mount Hope Cemetery, Logansport.

Contributions may be made to the Boy Scouts of America.

You may light a candle of hope, share messages of sympathy in his guest book and view his video tribute at [www.fisherfuneralchapel.com](http://www.fisherfuneralchapel.com).





**Joanna B. Smith**

Joanna B. SMITH, 86, Rochester, died Saturday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Survivors include her daughter, Lael George, Indianapolis; three sons, Tom Smith, Rochester, Greg Smith, Anderson, and Marc Smith, Trevese, Pa.; a sister, Carolyn Smith, San Antonio; and a brother, Kenneth Brashaber, Bloomington.

Her funeral service is 10 a.m. Wednesday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation from 4-7 p.m. Tuesday and an hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

**Helen L. Hill**

Helen L. HILL, 86, North Manchester, died Sunday at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

Tuesday, March 24, 2015

**Kenneth Dee Smiley**

Oct. 22, 1926 - March 21, 2015

Kenneth Dee SMILEY, 88, of Logansport, passed away at 3:40 a.m. Saturday, March 21, 2015, at St. Elizabeth hospital in Lafayette.

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An Army veteran of World War II, he was a member of the Main Street United Methodist Church, Logansport, a life member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 3790, and the America Legion Post No. 60. He owned and operated Smiley TV service in the 1960s. He was also a scoutmaster, and he received the Silver Beaver Award and the District Award of Merit. The Smiley's cottage at Lake Manitou, Rochester, has produced a lot of fun family memories for more than 60 years.

Surviving with his wife are one son, Kane Everest (Marta) Smiley, of Logansport; two daughters, Jerry Ann Chomko, of Logansport, and Mickie Darlene Holt, of Bedford; one brother, James (Charlotte) Smiley, of Argos; two sisters, Margaret Vanderheyden, of California, and Carol (Duke) Florian, of Zionsville; three sisters-in-law, Mellie Gunion, Margaret Piercy and Vel Piercy; eight grandchildren, Mark (Kathleen) Krueger, Erik (Nikki) Smiley, Karen (Bryce) Caudle, Jennifer (Ben) Rance, Ryan (Rachael) Edwards, Patrick Chomko, Shannon (Jeremy) Foreman and

Lindsay Endris; and 22 great-grandchildren, Gage, Mark, Cadence and Joe, Cole and Jackson, Brylie and Caden, Bryanna, Tanner, Ethan, Alex, Sydney, Ella and Eli, Luke and Emma, Dylan and Owen and Daysha, Lilly and Shelby.

He was preceded in death by one son, Kerry Franklin Smiley, and three brothers, Sam, Richard and Paul Smiley.

A funeral service celebrating the life of Kenneth Smiley is 11 a.m. Thursday, March 26, 2015, at Main Street United Methodist Church, Logansport, with Pastor Damon Soper officiating.

Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Wednesday at Fisher Funeral Chapel, Logansport.

Interment will follow in Mount Hope Cemetery, Logansport.

Contributions may be made to the Boy Scouts of America and Main Street United Methodist Church.

You may light a candle of hope, share messages of sympathy in his guest book and view his video tribute at [www.fisherfuneralchapel.com](http://www.fisherfuneralchapel.com).

### **Joanna B. Smith**

Oct. 13, 1928 - March 21, 2015

Joanna B. SMITH, 86, of Rochester, passed away at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester, shortly after admission.

Born in Monroe County on Oct. 13, 1928, Joanna was a cherished daughter of Ivan and Mary Edwards Brashaber. Growing up, she shared her childhood with a sister, Carolyn, and a brother, Kenneth. At the age of 16, she graduated from Bloomington High School with the class of 1944.

On Sept. 2, 1949, Joanna and Everett Smith Jr. were married in Bloomington. Together they enjoyed more than 59 years of life's adventures. From their union came four wonderful children, Lael, Tom, Greg and Marc. The family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

A lifelong learner and educator, Joanna garnered her bachelor's, master's and Doctor of Philosophy degrees from Purdue University. Her career in education spanned more than four decades. She was Rochester High School's Home Economics teacher from 1961-1981.

In 1983, Dr. Smith headed the Indiana Department of Public Instruction Vocational Education Sector, working for more than a decade prior to her retirement in 1994. In 1977, she served as president of the American Vocational Association entity National Association of Vocational Home Economics Teachers.

On Aug. 10, 1994, Gov. Evan Bayh bestowed Indiana's highest honor to a Hoosier citizen as Dr. Joanna Smith was the recipient of the coveted Sagamore of the Wabash. She was a devoted member of the Grace United Methodist Church for more than a half-century. Other memberships include Fulton County Retired Teachers, past

board member of the Woodlawn Foundation, past treasurer of the Fulton County Republican Women and a Psi Iota Xi alumnus. In her earlier years, she was active with the Fulton County 4-H, serving as the leader of the Never Give-Up Club affiliated with Richland Township from 1965-1975.

Left to cherish Joanna's memory are her daughter, Lael George and husband David, of Indianapolis; three sons, Tom Smith, of Rochester, Greg Smith and wife Audrey, of Anderson, and Marc Smith, of Trevoise, Pa.; eight grandchildren, Katherine, Rachel, Stephen, Andy, Tony, Angela, Reed and Lily; four great-grandchildren, Caden, Liam, Talia and Everett; a sister, Carolyn Smith and husband David, of San Antonio; and a brother, Kenneth Brashaber and wife Charlotte, of Bloomington.

Preceding her in death are her parents and beloved husband Everett Smith Jr. on Sept. 11, 2008.

A celebration of the life of Dr. Joanna Brashaber Smith Ph.D. will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, March 25, 2015, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Rev. Maurice Grindle will officiate. Friends may visit with her family from 4-7 p.m. today and an hour prior to her service at the funeral home.

She will be laid to eternal rest next to her beloved husband, Everett, in Richland Center's IOOF Cemetery.

Preferred memorials may be made to Grace United Methodist Church or The Woodlawn Foundation. Envelopes are available at the funeral home. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to Joanna's family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Helen Louise Hill**

Jan. 24, 1929 - March 22, 2015

Helen Louise HILL, 86, of Peabody Retirement Community of North Manchester, and formerly of Akron, Rochester and Peru, died 11:15 a.m. Sunday, March 22, 2015, at Lutheran Hospital of Fort Wayne.

She was born Jan. 24, 1929, in Akron, to Ralph Waldo and Marie (Berger) Whittenberger.

On July 27, 1947, Helen married Guy Hill Jr. at her parents' home. He preceded her in death on Sept. 8, 2013.

Helen was a secretary and a bank teller. She was an Akron High School graduate. Helen and her husband were members of the Saturday Morning Breakfast Club. She enjoyed playing cards and discussing politics. She was most happy spending time with her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Survivors include her daughters, Jane and husband Stephen Henson, Galena, Ohio, and Linda and husband Paul Studebaker, Akron; son John E. Hill, Lafayette, and his fiancée, Kate Mindrum, Savoy, Ill.; grandchildren Christopher, Kevin, Tadd, Brian, Bekah, Tim, Jennifer and Julie; and 23 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband Guy Hill Jr., great-granddaughter, daughter-in-law Rebecca Hill, brothers Joseph and Donald Whittenberger and sister Mary Ann Cox.

Her funeral service is 11:30 a.m. Thursday, March 26, 2015, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Rev. Sue Babovec and Rev. Ted Cox officiating. Visitation is 10-11:30 a.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

Burial is at Akron Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Peabody Home Foundation.

Share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Jerry M. Honeycutt**

Jerry M. HONEYCUTT, 44, Akron, died Friday, March 13, 2015, at his residence.

Survivors include his daughter, Paige Honeycutt, North Manchester; father Jerry L. Honeycutt; and sister Amy Wilson, Ormond Beach, Fla.

His funeral service is 6 p.m. Saturday at the House of Prayer, Akron, with visitation one hour prior to the service at the church.

Arrangements are by Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

### **Mary E. Tucker Bucher**

Mary E. Tucker BUCHER, 98, Winona Lake, died Monday at Grace Village Healthcare, Winona Lake.

Arrangements are pending at King Memorial Home, Mentone.

Wednesday, March 25, 2015

### **Mary E. Tucker Bucher**

Oct. 28, 1916 - March 23, 2015

Mary E. Tucker BUCHER, 98, of rural Mentone, died 11:55 a.m. Monday, March 23, 2015, at Grace Village Retirement Community of Winona Lake.

She was born Oct. 28, 1916, in Claypool, to Cloyce and Roxie (Parker) Miller. On June 9, 1937, in Claypool, she married Edison C. Tucker. He preceded her in death on Feb. 21, 1969. She then married C. Edward Bucher on Jan. 5, 1985, in Beaver Dam. He preceded her in death on July 27, 1998.

She worked at Tippecanoe Valley High School in the cafeteria for five years as well as being a wonderful homemaker, wife and mother.

Mary was a Claypool High School graduate in 1934. She was a member of the Beaver Dam United Methodist Church and a former member of the Order of the

Eastern Star. She was a great cook and enjoyed knitting. She loved to watch her family in all their sports activities, especially basketball.

Survivors include her daughter, JoAnn and husband Mike Williams, Atwood; grandchildren Kim Nelson, Plymouth, Chad and wife Lisa Tucker, Mentone, Stephanie and husband Scott Bibler, Claypool, Chan and wife Nicole Tucker, Mentone, Tara and husband Hunter Carlile, Winona Lake, and Cheri and husband Andy Mikesell, Zionsville; 15 great-grandchildren; and stepsons Chuck and wife Helen, Phillip and wife Jeanne and Paul and wife Pat Bucher and families.

She was preceded in death by husbands Edison C. Tucker and C. Edward Bucher, son and daughter-in-law Charles M. and Cara L. Tucker, sister Maxine and husband Joe Ault and grandson Brian D. Nelson.

Her funeral service is 2 p.m. Thursday, March 26, 2015, at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone. Pastor Butch Troke and Pastor Lynn Breeden will officiate.

Visitation is 4-8 p.m. today, March 25, 2015, at King Memorial Home, Mentone, and one hour prior to the service at the memorial home Thursday.

Burial is at Mentone Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Beaver Dam United Methodist Church. Share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Alice Gail Wright Teel**

July 19, 1921 - March 23, 2015

Alice Gail Wright TEEL, 93, formerly of Macy, passed away on Monday, March 23, 2015, at Hickory Creek Nursing Home, Rochester.

Born July 19, 1921, in Macy, she was the daughter of William and Mary Shambarger Wright. On March 12, 1943, she was married to Glen A. Teel, and he preceded her in death on April 9, 1985.

She was a member of Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church in northern Miami County, the Order of the Eastern Star and Miami County Extension Homemakers.

Survivors include two daughters, Connie Klein and husband Jerry, Roann, and Glenda Miller and husband Jim, Macy; five grandchildren, Beth Sanson and husband Nick, North Manchester, Laura Huttel and husband Keith, Tipton, Tim Miller and wife Tammy, Logansport, Amy Hatfield, Anderson, and Andy Miller, Upland; 11 great-grandchildren, Kim, David and Bryan Wisenberg, Kayla Miller, Olivia, Allison, Jamie and Danielle Hatfield, Michelle Downham and husband Jason, Nicole Coon and husband Joshua, and Alex Sanson; two great-great-grandsons; and one sister, Marie Mathias, Roann.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, four sisters and four brothers.

Her funeral service is 10 a.m. Friday, March 27, 2015, at McClain Funeral Home, Denver, with Pastor Wayne Balmer officiating.

Visitation will be from 4-7 p.m. Thursday, March 26, 2015, at the funeral home.

Burial is at Greenlawn Cemetery, Mexico.

Memorial contributions may be directed towards Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church. Condolences may be made online at [www.mcclainfh.com](http://www.mcclainfh.com).

### **Halsie F. Holcomb**

Halsie F. HOLCOMB, 92, Peru, died Thursday, March 12, 2015, at Blair Ridge Health Campus, Peru.

Survivors include her two daughters, Jill Spin, Mexico, and Christine Beecher.

No service is to be conducted at this time.

Arrangements are by McClain Funeral Home, Denver.

### **Max G. Gill**

Max G. GILL, 87, Rochester, died Tuesday at Woodlawn Hospital.

Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

Thursday, March 26, 2015

### **Max G. Gill**

Sept. 4, 1927 – March 24, 2015

Max G. GILL, 87, Rochester, passed away at 9:40 a.m. Tuesday, March 24, 2015, at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

He was born on Sept. 4, 1927, in Johnson County, the son of Clater E. and Mary (Smith) Gill. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army.

Max worked at Chrysler in Kokomo, owned several restaurants in the area, owned Fair Oaks Campground northwest of Rochester and worked as a bartender at the Dug Out. He was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church and Knights of Columbus, where he was past grand knight. He enjoyed coin collecting in his spare time.

Survivors include his nephew, Don King, Rochester; great-niece and great-nephews, Rob and wife Julie King, Rochester, Stephen King, Rochester, and Sharon Grigsby, Bedford; and great-great-nieces and great-great-nephews Ashlyn, Emily, Hanna and Noah King, all of Rochester, and Scott Brown, Tasha Brown, Shawn Brown and Jessica Brown, all of Bedford.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one brother and one sister.

Mass of Christian burial will take place at 11 a.m. Monday, March 30, 2015, at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Rochester, with Rev. Bert Woolson officiating. Friends may call one hour prior to service at the church.

Burial will be in the Albright Cemetery, Kokomo.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Joseph Catholic Church. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

Arrangements are by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Phyllis V. Steele**

Phyllis V. STEELE, 86, Akron, died Tuesday at her residence.

Arrangements are pending at Earl-Love Funeral Home, Akron.

**Billy L. Yeager**

Billy L. YEAGER, 79, Akron, died Wednesday at Visiting Nurse & Hospice Home, Fort Wayne.

Arrangements are pending at Earl-Love Funeral Home, Akron.

Friday, March 27, 2015

**Phyllis V. Steele**

June 24, 1928 - March 24, 2015

Phyllis V. STEELE, 86, 807 E. Main St., Akron, died at 9:47 p.m. March 24, 2015, at her residence.

She was born on June 24, 1928, in Wabash County, to Carl and Marie (Crumrine) Summers. Phyllis lived most of her life in Akron coming from Wabash.

Phyllis married Max Wayne Huffman on Nov. 7, 1946, in Akron. He preceded her in death on Dec. 21, 1969. She then married Paul F. Steele Jan. 29, 1972, in Chesterton. He preceded her in death on Aug. 9, 2004.

Phyllis worked at General Tire in Wabash, Chamberlain Products in Akron and Invensys Controls in North Manchester. She attended the Akron Church of God and enjoyed meeting with the Goldenaires at the church. She collected cardinals and painted woodcraft items made by her husband, Paul. They owned P&P Woodcraft and attended several craft events selling their products.

Survivors include her four children, Thomas J. (Nancy) Huffman, of Rochester, Ronald E. (Doris) Huffman, of Macy, Bonnie L. (Paul Tyler) Fields, of Akron, and Max B. (Lori) Huffman, of Rochester; seven brothers, Glen (Ruth Anna) Summers, of Wabash, Jim (Marge) Summers, of Lagro, Richard (Barbara), of Chesterton, Jack (Carolyn) Summers, of Wabash, Rex Summers, of Wabash, Bernard (Becky), of Texas, and Robert (Joyce), of Wabash; one sister, Helen Rough, of Peru; 17 grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

Preceding Phyllis in death were her parents, first husband Max Huffman, second husband Paul Steele, brothers Maurice and Ralph Summers, sister Judy Murphy, son Donald Wayne Huffman and son-in-law George A. Fields.



Visitation is 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Monday, March 30, 2015, at Earl-Love Funeral Home, 811 E. Rochester St., Akron.

The funeral service is 2 p.m. Monday at the funeral home following visitation officiated by Rev. Terry Canfield of the Akron Church of God.

Burial is in the Akron IOOF Cemetery.

Memorial contributions can be made to Riley Children's Foundation at Indiana University Health, 30 S. Meridian St., Suite 200, Indianapolis, IN 46204-3509.

Online condolences may be sent to [www.earllovefuneralhome.com](http://www.earllovefuneralhome.com).

**Billy L. Yeager**

Billy L. YEAGER, 79, Akron, died Wednesday at Visiting Nurse & Hospice Home, Fort Wayne.

Survivors include his wife, Janice C. Yeager, Akron; three children, Melinda C. Rohrer, San Jose, Calif., Scott Yeager, Mentone, and Michelle Foust, Mentone; and one sister, Eloise Beery, Etna Green.

His funeral service is 2 p.m. Sunday at Silver Creek Church of God. Visitation is 2-6 p.m. Saturday at Earl-Love Funeral Home, Akron, and one hour prior to the service at the church Sunday.

Saturday, March 28, 2015

**Irvin Jylland**

Irvin JYLLAND, 75, Rochester, died Thursday at Memorial Hospital, South Bend. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Monday, March 30, 2015

**Elsie E. Spangler**

Elsie E. SPANGLER, 99, Fulton, died Sunday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Her funeral service is 11:30 a.m. Wednesday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Fulton, with visitation from 4-7 p.m. Tuesday and one hour prior to the service Wednesday at the funeral home.

Tuesday, March 31, 2015

**Nancy Orlan (Ragan) Parks**

Nov. 29, 1925 - March 30, 2015

Nancy Orlan (Ragan) PARKS, 89, of Mount Vernon, passed away March 30, 2015, at her home.

She was born Nov. 29, 1925, in Noble County, to Edgar and Lauris (Herron) Ragan. Nancy graduated from Warsaw High School as a member of the class of 1945. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Jack Dewitt Parks; son Patrick David Parks; four brothers, Phil, Pat, Bert and Jack; and one sister, Winifred.

She is survived by her son, Marcus (Sandie) Parks, of Mooreland; daughter Laura (Tom) Sommerfield, of Mount Vernon; two grandchildren, Sarah Parks and Susan Clouse; and six great-grandchildren.

Her funeral service will be conducted at 10 a.m. Wednesday, April 1, 2015, at First United Methodist Church, 601 Main St., Mount Vernon, with Rev. Fred Haywood officiating.

Burial is to follow at a later date at Oakwood Cemetery in Warsaw.

Visitation will be conducted from 4-7 p.m. today, March 31, 2015, at Schneider Funeral Home, 512 Main St., Mount Vernon, and from 9-10 a.m. Wednesday at the church.

Memorial contributions may be made to First United Methodist Church or the Posey Humane Society, 6500 Leonard Road. Mount Vernon, IN 47620.

Condolences may be made online at [www.schneiderfuneralhome.com](http://www.schneiderfuneralhome.com).

### **Elsie E. Spangler**

Jan. 26, 1916 - March 29, 2015

Elsie E. SPANGLER, 99, Fulton, passed away at 1:25 p.m. Sunday, March 29, 2015, at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

She was born to Grover and Ruth (Sullivan) Moss in Cass County on Jan. 26, 1916. A graduate of the Twelve Mile High School, Elsie married Ed Spangler on Aug. 15, 1936, to begin a life as a farmer's wife. Ed preceded her in death on Sept. 24, 1963. She spent a great portion of the second half-century of her life as a cook in many local establishments, but her own restaurant in Fulton, "Elsie's Restaurant," remained her favorite. Elsie was an avid gardener as many years as she was able to give. A member of the Fulton Baptist Temple, she helped man the Penny Table for many years for vacation Bible school.

Elsie's three children with Ed survive, Sonja (Dean) Folger, Logansport, Bill Spangler, Fulton, and Linda Wade, Fulton; eight grandchildren, Sue Benson, San Diego, Daniel (Melinda) Folger, Phoenix, David Folger, Logansport, William (Sandy) Spangler II, Ormond Beach, Fla., Rose (Jay) Townsend, Kewanna, Ryan (Carrie) Craig, Kewanna, Nathan (Kindra) Craig, Rochester, and Joshua (Sara) Craig, Twelve Mile; great-grand-children Connie Gerlits, Nicole Gerlits and Lance Benson, of California, Katie, Jakob and Kaden Folger, of Arizona, and Tiler Folger, of Texas, Wes Spangler, of Florida, Mitchell and Kaleb Townsend, of Indiana, Isaac and Alex Craig, Rayne and Ryder Craig, and Allison and Bear Craig, of Indiana; great-great-

grandchildren Natalie and Mackenzie Gerlits, of California; and one sister-in-law, Helen Moss, Logansport.

Elsie was preceded in death by her parents, brothers Byron Moss and Dean Moss, sister Laura Kantzer, daughter-in-law Dolly Spangler and grandson-in-law Kevin Benson.

Her funeral service will be conducted at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, April 1, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Fulton. Visitation will be from 4-7 p.m. today, March 31, 2015, and one hour prior to the service at the funeral home Wednesday.

Burial will be in Greenlawn Cemetery, Mexico.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Fulton Baptist Temple. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbros.com](http://www.zimmermanbros.com).

### **Irvin A Jylland**

Irvin A JYLLAND, 75, Rochester, died Thursday at Memorial Hospital, South Bend.

Survivors include two daughters, Mary Hamric, Fort Wayne, and Jerri Miller, Tishamingo, Miss.; and a son, Carl Jylland, Fla.

His funeral service will be announced at a later date.

Arrangements are by Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Wednesday, April 1, 2015

### **Mark W. Kistler**

June 30, 1940 - March 30, 2015

Mark W. KISTLER, 74, Twelve Mile, passed away Monday, March 30, 2015, at his residence.

Born June 30, 1940, he was the son to the late Wayne C. and Margaret J. (Foster) Kistler. On Jan. 2, 1994, he married Jean I. Cover in Rochester.

Mark was a former bank loan officer at First National Bank of Rochester. He was a U.S. Air Force veteran, a 1968 graduate of New Mexico Western College, a charter member of the Rochester Optimist Club, a member of the Twelve Mile Lions Club and Metea Baptist Church.

Surviving along with his wife are his two daughters, Lisa M. Kalinke, Indianapolis, and Amy L. (Paul) Krier, Indianapolis; two sons, Scott E. (Susan) Kistler, Rochester, and David L. Kistler, Indianapolis; two stepsons, Christopher (Kristee) Ulerick, Florence, Ky., and Branden (Jen) Ulerick, Peru; stepdaughter Kelley T. (Bobby) Nelson, Fulton; sister Marcia S. Bick, Rochester; sister-in-law Dottie Kistler, Mount Hermon, Ky.; brother M. 'Kip' Kistler, Indianapolis; five grandchildren, Courtney, Derek, Kevin, Michael and Carter; seven step-grandchildren,

Casey, Austin, Lexi, Austin, Morgan, Kolton and Ashlynn; and one great-grandchild, Destinee.

Mark was preceded in death by one brother, Milton 'Sock' Kistler, and one sister, Martha 'Mitzy' Mantos.

A memorial service will be conducted at noon Friday, April 3, 2015, at Metea Baptist Church with Rev. Bill Cordes officiating. Military rites will be conducted by the Cass County Honor Guard just prior to the funeral service.

Memorials may be made to the Twelve Mile Lions Club or the Metea Baptist Church.

You may sign the guest book and send online condolences at [www.gundrumcares.com](http://www.gundrumcares.com).

**Lynn VanDerWeele**

Lynn VanDerWEELE, 83, Argos, died Tuesday at his residence.

Arrangements are pending at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

**James O. Wells**

James O. WELLS, 87, Rochester, died Tuesday at Parkview Regional Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Thursday, April 2, 2015

**James O. Wells Jr.**

James O. WELLS Jr., 87, Rochester, died Tuesday, March 31, 2015, at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

Survivors include his wife, Christine; sons James O. Wells III, Rochester, and Mike Kline, Nashville; and daughters Cindy Courson, Danville, Ill., Charlene Baillieul, Rochester, and Rebecca Johnson, Carmel.

Military rites is 6 p.m. Saturday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation three hours prior to the service at the funeral home.

**Karin Petro**

Karin PETRO, 53, Rochester, died Tuesday at her residence.

Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, Indiana.

Friday, April 3, 2015

**Karin Petro**

Nov. 19, 1961 - March 31, 2015

Karin PETRO, 53, Rochester, passed away at 9:20 p.m. Tuesday, March 31, 2015, at her residence.

She was born on Nov. 19, 1961, in Chicago, the daughter of Robert “Bob” and Joan (Strepek) Janick. She graduated from Kelly High School, Chicago, and DePaul University, Chicago, with a bachelor’s degree in business.

Karin worked in treasury management services for various banks in Chicago, Colorado and Arizona. She was a member of the Rochester Moose Lodge and was treasurer for the Intermountain Humane Society in Conifer, Colo. In her spare time, she enjoyed traveling and riding on her Harley-Davidson and was active in supporting her local humane societies. During Karin’s illness, she and her family appreciated the outstanding care given by Christina, her caregiver, and Gentiva Hospice.

Survivors include her husband, John Petro, Rochester; parents Robert and Joan Janick, Silver Lake; stepson Jonathan Petro, Atlanta; brothers Robert “Bobby J.” Janick, Chicago, and Scott “Scotty” Janick, Justice, Ill.; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her maternal and paternal grandparents.

Her memorial service will be conducted at 2 p.m. Saturday, April 11, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with Pastor Rod Ruberg officiating. Friends may call one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Intermountain Humane Society, P.O. Box 1250 Conifer, CO 80433. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **James Oscar Wells Jr.**

July 22, 1927 - March 31, 2015

Mr. James Oscar WELLS Jr., 87, of Rochester, passed away at 10:58 a.m. Tuesday, March 31, 2015, at Parkview Regional Medical Center of Fort Wayne.

On July 22, 1927, Jim was born in Peru to James Oscar Sr. and Dolly May Harmon Wells. Growing up, he shared his childhood with a brother, Eugene. When Jim was 9 years old, his father, J.O. Wells Sr. bought a farm west of Rochester. He developed a fond attachment to farming. In 1945, he graduated from Peru High School. He then joined the U.S. Army. Jim was a member of the 114th Army Ground Forces Band. His stint on the European tour was completed during the occupational phase.

Following his honorable discharge, Jim returned stateside, enrolling at Earlham College where he studied economics and graduated with a bachelor’s degree in 1951. During his tenure at Earlham, he spent two summers studying economics in Mexico City. After graduating from Earlham, he was employed at B.F. Goodrich, procurement for the military at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, building a housing development

with his dad and his brother, Eugene. Later, Jim continued his formal education at Valparaiso University Law School, graduating in 1965.

Jim first married Jeanne Justine Smith. Their union produced a son, James Oscar Wells III. After getting married to Jeanne and working various jobs, Jim started farming. Later, even after finishing law school, he still was actively engaged in farming. Even after his son had taken over, he found great joy in fixing tile and digging it up by hand.

The Wells Law Office was established in 1966, and Jim provided many clients around the area with legal assistance. He retired in 2014 after nearly a half-century of continuous service. Attorney Wells served Fulton County as prosecuting attorney, being elected in 1966 and serving two terms from 1967-74. He later completed Steve Stinson's term from 1977-78.

Jim enjoyed running, kayaking, canoeing and cross-country skiing. In 1985, he went on a trip to Russia to cross-country ski. The trip and Jim were recognized in ski journals and Sports Illustrated. In 1948, Jim climbed Popocatepetl 5286m (17,343 ft.) with the Alpine Club of Mexico. Forty years later, in 1988, Jim returned with his son, Oscar, and climbed Popocatepetl for a second time.

On Dec. 23, 1989, Jim and Christine Whitmore Kline were married near Rochester. They recently, in December of 2014, celebrated 25 years of marriage. In addition to sharing the interest of law, Jim and Christine enjoyed many travels together. Their favorite destinations were Switzerland, South Padre Island, Texas and Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., where they enjoyed trekking the trails of cross-country skiing. Each summer they traveled multiple times to Stratford, Ontario, to enjoy the Shakespeare Festival.

In 2006, Jim traveled with fellow alumni of Earlham College to Palestine on a mission of peace and to visit the Friends School of Ramallah. Jim gained an appreciation for the struggles of the Palestinians.

The summer of 2014 brought on yet another adventure. Oscar and Jim traveled to Alaska. Trekking out on their own agenda via motorcoach, Jim was intrigued with the wildlife unique to the area and enjoyed the inherent beauty of the landscape.

Jim volunteered with the Boy Scouts of America eventually receiving the Silver Beaver Award for his efforts. He worked for the benefit of the council and also helped with our local Boy Scout Troop 219. Some of the adventures he enjoyed with Troop 219 included trips to Philmont, Maine, and a five-day climb of Mount Rainer in which all participants summited successfully.

To relax, Jim and Christine listened to the music of Cole Porter, classical composers, and Handel's "Messiah," his favorite. They also enjoyed Shakespeare. Jim enjoyed reading poetry and was an author of poetry. Each day brought on new observations while seated at the kitchen table. They created a wildlife sanctuary with multiple feeding stations, befriending the birds, deer and squirrels that visited their

backyard. They both enjoyed weekly excursions to Green Oak Antiques to see what was new.

Jim was a member of the Fulton County Bar Association, Fulton County Historical Society, the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars. He was a member of the Rochester Rotary for more than 50 years and was a Paul Harris Fellow and a former president for our local club. He also held memberships of interest with the Eiteljorg Museum of Southwest Art in Indianapolis and the Chicago Museum of Art.

Left to cherish Jim's memory are his wife, Christine, and their blended family, James Oscar Wells III and Mendi Carroll, of Rochester, Mike Kline and wife Missy, of Nashville, Cindy Courson and husband Brian, of Danville, Ill., Charlene Baillieul and husband Scot, of Rochester, and Rebecca Johnson and husband Jared, of Carmel; grandchildren Oliver Greely Wells and wife Kristie, Emily Jean Wells and husband Jason Biggerstaff, James "Auggie" Oscar Wells IV, Matthew, Zachery, Jacob, Anya and Elias Kline, Isabella, Connor, Caleb and Jessica Courson, Leiton Haack and Broderick Baillieul, and Evan and Ashton Johnson; a great-grandson, Owen Grissom Wells; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins also survive.

Preceding Jim in death are his parents and two brothers, Eugene Harmon Wells and one in infancy, as well as his former wife, Jeanne.

Celebrating the life of James O. Wells Jr., the family will receive friends from 3-6 p.m., Saturday, April 4, 2015, at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. His family requests casual attire. Military rites will be accorded by the Fulton County Honor Guard and the U.S. Army Honor's Team at 6 p.m.

Preferred memorials, in lieu of flowers, may be made to Boy Scout Troop 219, 724 Main St., Rochester, IN 46975; Fulton County Historical Society, 37 E. 375 North, Rochester, IN 46975; or Earlham College – Friends School of Ramallah, 801 National Road, West Richmond, IN 47374. Envelopes are available at the funeral home. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to Jim's family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Lynn VanDerWeele**

Lynn VanDerWEELE, 83, Argos, died Tuesday at his residence.

Survivors include his wife, Virginia VanDerWeele, Argos; daughters Teri L. Bair, Argos, and Tami J. Brock, Noblesville; sons Jack D. VanDerWeele, Argos, and Jon G. VanDerWeele, Argos; and sister Ann V. Lemon, Lake Oswego, Ore.

Graveside service is 2 p.m. Monday at the Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos, followed by a service of remembrance at the Argos United Methodist Church in the CLC Building from 3-5 p.m., with visitation noon-2 p.m. Monday at the funeral home.

Arrangements are by the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

**Marie A. Archambeault**

Marie A. ARCHAMBEAULT, 69, Argos, died Tuesday at Saint Joseph Hospital, Plymouth. Arrangements are pending at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

Saturday, April 4 2015

**Marie A. Archambeault**

Marie A. ARCHAMBEAULT, 69, Argos, died Tuesday at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Survivors include her son, Tony W. Thompson, Argos; daughter Tanna M. Sroda, Mishawaka; sister Ida M. Ratliff, Falls Church, Va.; and brother John J. Archambeault, Argos.

A graveside service will be noon Wednesday at Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos. Arrangements are by Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.



**George E. Honeycutt Jr.**

George E. HONEYCUTT Jr., 69, Wittensville, Ky., formerly of La Fontaine, died Thursday at his residence.

Arrangements are pending at Earl-Love Funeral Home, Akron.

**Orville F. Thomas**

Orville F. THOMAS, 90, Strasburg, Colo., formerly of Grass Creek, died Thursday at Prairie Creek Assisted Living Center, Strasburg.

Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel.

Monday, April 6, 2015

**John Joseph Daly Jr.**

April 3, 1920 – March 27, 2015

John Joseph DALY Jr., 94, a father, brother, grandfather and great-grandfather died peacefully at his home in Port St. Lucie, Fla., on March 27, 2015.

The son of an Irish Olympics champion runner, he was born in New York City. John served proudly in the Army Air Corp during World War II. His plane was shot down, and he was taken prisoner of war and liberated after 14 months of confinement. Returning to the United States, John served nearly 36 years in continued service to this country. He served in the U.S. Border Patrol and the U.S. Customs and Immigration Service. John was an active member of the American Legion Post 0318 of Port St Lucie, Fla.

He is survived by seven children, including two daughters, Maire and Deirdre, and five sons, John, Michael, Brian, Matthew and Patrick, and their spouses with 14 grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren. And his sister, Anita Collins, of Durham, N.C.

John was preceded in death by his first wife, Mary Patricia Gilmartin, and his second wife, Patsy Crull, and a sister, Mary Dibiase.

His funeral service will be at a later date in Arlington National Cemetery in Washington, D.C.

Arrangements are under the direction of Haisley Funeral and Cremation Services, Fort Pierce, Fla. An online guest book may be signed at [www.haisleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.haisleyfuneralhome.com).

**William R. Imhoff**

William R. IMHOFF, 65, 20001 Gumwood Road, Argos, died Saturday at his residence.

Survivors include four sons, Eddie Imhoff, Allen Imhoff, Ivo Imhoff, all of Argos, and Ervin Imhoff, Tippecanoe; seven daughters, Bernice Zimmerman, Waneta Weaver, Wilda Oberholtzer, all of Argos, Florence Ramer, Tippecanoe, Ruthann Martin, Wakarusa, Bertha Imhoff, Argos, and Rosily Martin, Goshen; three brothers, John Imhoff, Holland, Ky., Samuel Imhoff, Sheridan, Mich., and David Imhoff, Argos; and six sisters, Lydia Weaver, New Paris, Anna Rohrer, Dayton, Va., Leah Martin, Goshen, Emma Martin, Tippecanoe, Ida Imhoff, Goshen, and Maryann Martin, Spencer, Tenn.

His funeral service is 9:45 a.m. Tuesday at Tippecanoe Old Order Mennonite Church, Rochester. Visitation was 2-4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. Sunday and is 2-4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. today at his residence.

Arrangements are by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

### **George E. Honeycutt Jr.**

George E. HONEYCUTT Jr., 69, Nippa, Ky., died Thursday at his residence.

Survivors include his wife, Nadene, Nippa, Ky.; three sons, Gary D. Honeycutt, Roann, Rick Osborne, Peru, and George E. Honeycutt III, Colorado; and one sister, Shelby J. Harris, Lagro.

His funeral service is 1 p.m. Tuesday at Earl-Love Funeral Home, Akron, with visitation from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at the funeral home.

### **Gladys A. Shambarger**

Gladys A. SHAMBARGER, 78, Macy, died Saturday at St. Vincent's Hospital, Indianapolis.

Survivors include her husband, Loren, at home; two sons, David Shambarger and Skip Shambarger, both of Macy; two daughters, Beverly K. Cattin and Jean Lejeune, both of Peru; and three sisters, Mary Miller, Anderson, Nellie Scott, Lake Charles, La., and Carolyn Richards, Peru.

Her funeral service is 11 a.m. Wednesday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation from 4-8 p.m. Tuesday and an hour prior to the service Wednesday.

### **Lavern R. Scott**

Lavern R. SCOTT, 71, Rochester, died Saturday at his residence.

Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

Tuesday, April 7, 2015

### **Lavern Ray 'Butch' Scott**

Feb. 27, 1944 - April 4, 2015

Lavern Ray “Butch” SCOTT, 71, Rochester, passed away at 10:20 p.m. Saturday, April 4, 2015, at his residence.

He was born on Feb. 27, 1944, in Hammond, the son of Arthur and Freda (Bruce) Scott.

Mr. Scott retired from Dean Foods and was a member of the Eagles Lodge. In his spare time, he enjoyed fishing, hunting, trapping and most recently driving around in his truck visiting friends and family.

Survivors include his children, Jackie Horn, Rochester, Bruce and wife Mary Scott, Rochester, and Vicky and husband Phil Bailey, Culver; grandchildren Anthony Ray Coplen, Auburn, Amy Rose, Auburn, Carla Conrad, Kokomo, David Scott, Rochester, Matthew Bailey, Culver, and Kevin Bailey, Culver; great-grandchildren Trevor Coplen, Rochester, Nikolai Conrad, Kokomo, and Yuri Conrad, Kokomo; companion Tammy Keefer, Rochester; brother George F. Scott, Indianapolis; sisters Gladys and husband John Galloway, Rochester, Connie and husband Peter Terpstra II, Indianapolis, and Sandra and husband Jim Wisenberg, Sebring, Fla.; sister-in-law Kathy McCalla, Rochester; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his mother, father Echo L. McCalla, sister Barbara Turner, and brothers Harold McCalla and infant James Scott.

There is no funeral service scheduled at this time.

Arrangements are by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Gladys A. Shambarger**

Dec. 26, 1936 - April 4, 2015

On April 4, 2015, Our Heavenly Father received one of his angels home to him.

Gladys A. SHAMBARGER was born on Dec. 26, 1936, a cherished daughter of Daniel and Faye Geiger Powell. Growing up as one of six of the Powell children she shared her childhood with two brothers and three sisters. With great pride, she graduated from Macy High School in 1954.

On May 16, 1954, in the Macy Methodist Church, Loren Shambarger married the love of his life and best friend, Gladys Powell Shambarger. Together they shared more than six decades of life’s adventures. From their union came four wonderful children, David, Skip, Beverly and Jean. Over the years, the family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of nine grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren with another on the way in August. They expect the arrival of the fifth generation a great-great-grandson in May.

An accomplished seamstress, Gladys retired from Hart, Schaffner & Marx in 2000 after a number of years of dedicated service. Always ready to lend a helping hand, she was among the first of the EMTs in Miami County in the late 1970s. Gladys was a member of the Macy Firefighter Auxiliary, where she served as the secretary for

many years. She was also a member of the Macy Christian Church where she was ready to assist with the Ladies Aid by baking, cooking and contributing to the cause at hand.

The warmth of May brought on one of Gladys' favorite times of the year, mushroom hunting. She enjoyed trekking around woods on the family's farm or going to Michigan in search of the morels. This time of the year also brought on the planting of the truckpatch garden she and Loren planted and maintained. They shared the bountiful harvest with family and special friends. Saturday morning was special as Gladys and family dined out enjoying her special request – biscuits and gravy.

As the matriarch of the Shambarger family, Granny Gladys was proud to oversee four generations. There was nothing better than visits from the grandkids and the great-grands for they always lit up the room and her life. She looked forward to the holidays and other family celebrations – just getting together was paramount in her eyes.

Left to cherish her memory is her husband, Loren, at home; two sons, David and Susie Shambarger and Loren "Skip" and Janet Shambarger, all of Macy; two daughters, Beverly Kay and Dennis Cattin and Jean and Robert Lejeune, all of Peru; three sisters, Mary and Henry Miller, of Anderson, Nellie and Marion "Pete" Scott, of Lake Charles, La., and Carolyn and John Richards, of Peru; nine grandchildren, Jim Cattin, Shane Cattin, Daniel "D.J." Cattin and wife Amber, David Shambarger, James "JR" Cattin and wife Tina, Matthew Cattin and wife Hannah, Nikki Shambarger, Michael Shambarger and Ryan Shambarger and wife Laura; and 14 great-grandchildren, Colton, Jordon Miller, Sierra Cattin, Emily, Bridgette, Ryan Cattin, Allison, Crew Cattin, Ethan, Evan, Lennon Shambarger, Conner Bahney, Maddox Martin and Tynnleigh Cattin.

Preceding her in death are her parents; two brothers, Dwane E. Powell and John H. Powell; and a great-granddaughter, Raygen Cattin.

A celebration of the life of Mrs. Gladys A. Shambarger is 11 a.m. Wednesday, April 8, 2015, in the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Pastor David Welsh officiating.

Burial will follow in the Five Corners Cemetery, Macy.

Friends may visit with her family at the funeral home from 4-8 p.m. today and an hour prior to her service Wednesday.

Memorials in lieu of flowers may be made to the Macy-Allen Township Fire Department. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Wednesday, April 8, 2015

**Marilyn Ruth Hennon**

Oct. 8, 1931 - April 5, 2015

Marilyn Ruth HENNON, of Warsaw, passed away at 5:50 a.m. Sunday, April 5, 2015, at Grace Village Health Care of Winona Lake at the age of 83.

She attended school in Hammond. Marilyn lived in Hammond, Rochester, Bourbon and more recently she was a resident of Kosciusko County for the past six years. She attended Touch of Life Church in Warsaw. She loved crafts, sewing, flowers, cooking, and she especially loved her children.

She was born on Oct. 8, 1931, in Hammond, to Joseph Earl O'Sullivan and Ruth Elizabeth (Brookman) O'Sullivan. In August of 1989, she was married to Stanley E. Hennon, who also passed away in 1993.

Marilyn will be lovingly remembered by her son, Mike (Annette) Ray, Bourbon; three daughters, Michelle Curry, Argos, Melody Barker, Warsaw, and Cindy Davis, Haltom City, Texas; seven grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and her sister, Maureen (Richard) Kroslack, Hammond.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, Robert C. Ray, in 1986; her husband, Stanley E. Hennon, in 1993; and her son-in-law, DeWayne Lee Barker, on Feb. 2, 2015.

Visitation is prior to her funeral service on Thursday, April 9, 2015, from 2-4 p.m. at Redpath-Fruth Funeral Home, 225 Argonne Road, Warsaw. Her funeral service is 4 p.m. at Redpath-Fruth Funeral Home and officiated by Pastor William Whitaker.

Burial will follow with a graveside service at Pleasant Hill Cemetery in Bourbon.

Memorial donations in Marilyn's name may be directed to the Center for Hospice Care, 112 S. Center St., Plymouth, IN 46563 and would be appreciated by her family.

Online condolences may be sent through the funeral home's website at [www.redpathfruthfuneralhome.com](http://www.redpathfruthfuneralhome.com).

### **Virgidelle R. Weasel**

Sept. 17, 1942 - April 6, 2015

Virgidelle R. WEASEL, 72, of Columbus, died at 11:40 p.m. Monday, April 6, 2015, at her home.

Born Sept. 17, 1942, Chicago Heights, Ill., Virgidelle was the daughter of Nicholas and Veronica Schutz Loehmer. Virgidelle retired in 2011 from Columbus Regional Hospital where she worked for 22 years. She was a member of St. Bartholomew Catholic Church and the National Association of Health Unit Coordinators.

Survivors include her daughters, Sabrina Weasel, of Nevada, and Angela (Russell) Emmitt, of Columbus; brothers Ralph (Ethel) Loehmer, of Monterey,

Raymond (Anne) Loehmer, of Portage, Daniel Loehmer, of Logansport, and Loren (Angela) Loehmer, of Monterey; sisters Virginia (George Lam) Mutt, of San Diego, Vivian (David) Reinhold, of Kewanna, Irene (Daniel) Forest, of Monterey, and Loretta Watkins, of Fort Wayne; and grandchildren Logan and Thomas Emmitt.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Family and friends may call from 4-7 p.m. Thursday at Barkes, Weaver & Glick Funeral Home, 1029 Washington St., Columbus, with a rosary service conducted at 7 p.m.

Family and friends may also call from 4-7 p.m. Friday at Odom Funeral Home, 104 East Lake Shore Drive, Culver.

A Mass of Christian burial service will be conducted at 10 a.m. Saturday at St. Anne Catholic Church, Monterey, with Father Burt Woolson officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to Our Hospice of South Central Indiana, 2626 E. 17th St., Columbus, IN 47201, or Central Indiana Cancer Centers, 1701 N. Senate Ave., C6, Indianapolis, IN 46202.

Online condolences and special memories may be shared with Virgidelle's family at [barkesweaverglick.com](http://barkesweaverglick.com).

The Odom Funeral Home, Culver, is assisting with local arrangements.

### **Orville F. Thomas**

Nov. 29, 1924 - April 2, 2015

Orville F. THOMAS, 90, of Strasburg, Colo., formerly of Grass Creek, passed away Thursday, April 2, 2015, at Prairie Creek Assisted Living Center in Strasburg.

Born on Nov. 29, 1924, in Lucerne, he was the son of the late Floyd and Leona (Sutton) Thomas. On May 14, 1944, he married Florence M. Ratcliff. She preceded him in death on Aug. 13, 2007.

He was a 1942 Grass Creek High School graduate, a graduate of Indianapolis University and an Indiana State University graduate where he received his master's degree in education.

Orville was a decorated U.S. Army veteran serving in the European Theater during WWII.

He was a member of Grass Creek United Methodist Church, Grass Creek Lions Club, the National Education Association and AARP.

Orville was a retired school teacher from Eastern Pulaski School Corp.

Survivors include his sons, Wayne Thomas (Sandra), of Florida, and David Thomas (Ruth), of Bennett, Colo.; sister Bonnie Riggle, of Fulton; 10 grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

He was also preceded in death by his son and daughter-in-law, James and Linda Thomas; grandson Jamie Thomas; and great-grandson Joshua Markulik.

His funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Friday, April 10, 2015, at Grass Creek United Methodist Church with Pastor David Sommers officiating. Visitation is 4-7 p.m. Thursday, April 9, 2015, at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel.

Burial with military rites will be performed at Grass Creek Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Mountain View Fellowship Church, P.O. Box 619, Strasburg, CO 80136.

Please sign the online guest book or leave a condolence for the Thomas family at [www.ransfunerahomes.com](http://www.ransfunerahomes.com).

### **Karin D. Petro**

A memorial service for Karin D. PETRO, 53, Rochester, who passed away on Tuesday, March 31, 2015, will be conducted at 2 p.m. Saturday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Friends may call one hour prior to service at the funeral home.

Thursday, April 9, 2015

### **Charlene Wogomon**

Charlene WOGOMON, 51, Rochester, died Wednesday at her residence. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Friday, April 10, 2015

### **Thelma Arien Mannies**

June 28, 1927 – April 7, 2015

Thelma Arien MANNIES, 87, Akron, went home to be with the Lord at 11:01 p.m. Tuesday, April 7, 2015, at her residence.

Thelma was born June 28, 1927, in Estill County, Ky., to Dewey and Nettie (Lane) Rogers. She married Harold Ross “Red” Mannies on March 19, 1948, and he passed away on Aug. 13, 2006.

She was an active member of the Bible Holiness Church in Wabash. She was a prayer warrior and her passion was serving God and helping others.

Thelma is survived by her nine children, Rita Sue (Willard) Manns, Akron, Schery Lynn (Bruce) White, Peru, Mona Ree Holland, Logansport, Montie Ross (Theresa) Mannies, Logansport, Mira Jean (Lorenzo) Leon, Akron, Matthew James (Jackie) Mannies, Logansport, Velvet Vena (Dale) Bowser, Akron, Beth Ann (Donnie) Hopkins, Akron, and Shanen Doah (Darla) Mannies, Logansport; one brother, Irvil (Patricia) Rogers; one sister Fern McGrew; brother-in-law Arville Francis Mannies; 27 grandchildren; 57 great-grandchildren; and five great-great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by daughter Becky Jo, brothers Macy, Denver, Bufford and Leniel Rogers, sister Ruby Scott and son-in-law Robert Holland.

Her funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, April 14, 2015, at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, Peru, with the Rev. Gary Gray, the Rev. David Bigger and her pastor Andrew Stanger officiating.

Family and friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Monday, April 13, 2015, at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Greenlawn Cemetery, Mexico.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to Gentiva Hospice.

### **Curtis L. Mills**

Curtis L. MILLS, 57, Macy, died Tuesday at his residence.

Survivors include his wife, Barbara Mills, Macy; daughter Myranda Kruschinska, Portland, Ore.; two sisters, Linda Mills, Indianapolis, and Jan Pike, Indianapolis; and one brother, Kent Mills, Denver.

His funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Monday at Denver Baptist Church with visitation from 2-7 p.m. Sunday at the church.

Arrangements are by McClain Funeral Home, Denver.

Saturday, April 11, 2015

No Obituaries

Monday, April 13, 2015

### **Dianne Hoffman**

Aug. 20, 1934 – April 9, 2015

Dianne HOFFMAN, 80, Logansport, passed away at 10:30 p.m. Thursday, April 9, 2015, at Woodbridge Health Campus, Logansport.

She was born on Aug. 20, 1934, in Logansport, the daughter of John A. and Elloise (Coppock) Degrief. On Jan. 6, 1962, she married James L. Hoffman, and he survives.

Dianne was a 1952 graduate of Logansport High School and was very proud that her graduating class was still meeting once a month. She worked for 37 years at the Logansport Savings and Loan as a secretary and treasurer. She loved to cook, can, freeze and share food with others. Dianne loved her home on Longtree Lane and on Lake Manitou. She was one of the oldest members of First United Methodist Church in Logansport. She was a kind, caring, compassionate soul with a heart of gold. Dianne was loved by all who knew her. She always had a smile and a kind word for all around. Dianne loved to joke and laugh. She was a wonderful daughter, wife,



mother, aunt, friend and neighbor. Dianne was a very hard worker who enjoyed her job at the Logansport Savings and Loan Bank.

Dianne is survived by her loving husband, James Hoffman; brother Ashton Degrief; special niece Jane (Tom) Lytle; brother-in-law Jerry Hoffman; sisters-in-law LaRue (Larry) Sheppard and Sharon Smith; nieces Jenni (Loshel) Voigt and Deb (James) Carabin; and nephew Dirk (Jodi) Degrief.

Dianne was preceded in death by her parents, and her son, Toby Hoffman.

Her funeral service is 11 a.m. today, April 13, 2015, at First United Methodist Church, Eighth Street and Broadway, Logansport, with the Rev. Dr. Dean Fager officiating. Burial will follow in Ever Rest Memorial Park Cemetery.

Friends are invited to visit with the family from 10 a.m. until service time at the church today.

Memorial contributions may be made in Dianne's memory to the First United Methodist Church.

Messages of condolence may be left online at [www.shirleyandstout.com](http://www.shirleyandstout.com).

Shirley & Stout Funeral Home & Crematory is assisting the family with arrangements.

### **Martha DeTurk**

Martha DeTURK, 85, Rochester, died Sunday at her residence.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Tuesday, April 14, 2015

### **Joshua Lee Baxter**

Jan. 16, 1974 – April 7, 2015

Joshua Lee BAXTER, 41, passed away April 7, 2015, in Oklahoma City.

He was born Jan. 16, 1974, in Rochester.

Josh graduated in 1992 from Rochester High School. He then graduated from Purdue University and completed his education with an MBA from the University of Phoenix.

As a youth, Josh enjoyed life on the farm as well as FFA, FCA, 4-H, volleyball, basketball and tennis.

After his education, Josh headed west to Colorado to work as an investment manager. Josh enjoyed hiking, mountain biking, snow skiing, ATV riding and snowmobiling.

Josh was promoted and moved to Oklahoma City. There he attended Life Church. He enjoyed raising his two children, their activities and his dog, Jim.

Josh is survived by a son, Austin; a daughter, Eva; his mother, Christina; his brother, Chad; and his grandmother, Frances Baxter.

He was preceded in death by his father, Douglas Baxter, and his grandparents, Parke Baxter and Westel and Alice Carr.

A trust fund for Josh's children is being established.  
A memorial service will be conducted at a later date.

Wednesday, April 15, 2015

**Avery L. Van Dyke**

March 7, 1938 - April 7, 2015

Avery L. Van DYKE, 77, of Mishawaka, died Tuesday, April 7, 2015.

The Claypool native was born March 7, 1938, to Clemans M. and Cora (Pratt) Van Dyke and grew up on the family farm. Avery was a graduate of Claypool High School and served his country in the U.S. Marine Corps during the Vietnam Era. He was a member of the United Steel Workers Local No. 12775, and he retired from NIPSCO after 30 years of employment. He was a gentle, humble and intelligent man, who enjoyed scripture, music, gardening and home improvement projects. Avery was preceded in death by his parents, his brothers, Thomas Van Dyke, Clemans M. "Junior" Van Dyke Jr. and Harold Van Dyke as well as his sister, Marilyn Green.

Survivors include many nieces and nephews.

His committal service is 1 p.m. Saturday, April 18, 2015, in Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens, Osceola.

Family and friends should meet at 12:30 p.m. Saturday in Chapel Hill Funeral Home, 10776 McKinley Highway, Osceola.

To sign the online guest book or to offer condolences to the family, please visit [www.chapelhillmemorial.com](http://www.chapelhillmemorial.com).

**Oma L. Manns**

Oma L. MANNS, 87, Akron, died Tuesday at Hickory Creek at Rochester.

Arrangements are pending at Earl-Love Funeral Home, Akron

Thursday, April 16, 2015

**Martha Ellen DeTurk**

March 14, 1930 - April 12, 2015

Mrs. Martha Ellen DeTURK, 85, of Rochester, passed away at 2:40 p.m. Sunday, April 12, 2015, at her residence.

On March 14, 1930, Martha was born in Bradshaw, W.Va., to Thomas and Millie Blankenship. She was one of 10 children.

Martha and Guy DeTurk were married on March 21, 1953, in Grundy, Va., and moved to Indiana, making Rochester their home. They shared 53 years of life's adventures. Guy passed away on April 12, 2006.

Martha was a homemaker and enjoyed taking care of her family and her canine and feline companions.

Martha is lovingly remembered by her daughter, Barbara Ball, of Rochester; her son, Cecil Blankenship and wife Farrah, of Oakwood, Va.; four grandchildren, Bruce

W. Wiard Jr., Michelle Grubbs, Destiney R. McKenzie and Melinda Martin; seven great-grandchildren, Stephanie Grubbs, Kyleigh Grubbs, Tiffany Martin, Derek Martin, Alexander Martin, Zachary McKenzie and Abigail McKenzie; and her feline companions, Hannah and Tiger.

Preceding Martha in death are her parents; husband; four sisters, Linda, Rosie, Alice and Virginia; five brothers, Miles, Clarence, Wallace, Irvin and Moses; and daughter-in-law Norma Blankenship. Also, Cash, the brown and brindle pit bull, and her cats, Rumor and Sweet Pea, have crossed over the Rainbow Bridge.

A private family service will be conducted.

Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Online expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **James K. Hauser**

James K. HAUSER, 84, Winamac, died Tuesday at his residence.

Survivors include his wife, Betty Gould, Winamac; daughter Janice VanGorder, Zionsville; son Jeffery Hauser, Avon; and sisters Mary A. Webb, Winamac, and Olive Dalka, Medaryville.

His funeral service is 10 a.m. Friday at Frain Mortuary, Winamac, with visitation from 4-8 p.m. today at Frain Mortuary.

### **Oma L. Manns**

May 21, 1927 - April 14, 2015

Oma MANNS, 87, 808 E. Main St., Akron, passed away at 12:40 p.m. on Tuesday, April 14, 2015, at Hickory Creek at Rochester, where she had resided for 2 1/2 months.

Oma was born in Prestonsburg, Ky., on May 21, 1927, to Charles and Lula (Dotson) Hackworth. Growing up, she shared her childhood with three sisters and seven brothers.

On Feb. 14, 1946, in Prestonsburg, she married Bradie Manns. They shared 58 years together, living 52 years of her life in Akron.

Oma was a housewife and worked at Chamberlain Products for 16 years. Raising four children, she made sure that they had everything they needed. She enjoyed taking walks and especially loved spending time with her grandchildren and special friends, Phyllis, Bonnie and Rosie.

Surviving Oma are three children, son DeWayne (Carolyn) Manns, of Yantis, Texas, and daughters, Delores Dague, of Akron, and Diann (Wayne) Grube, of Rochester; 10 grandchildren, 24 great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren; one brother-in-law; two sisters-in-law; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Preceding her in death are her parents, husband Bradie Manns in 2004, son Dewight Manns in 2009, three sisters and seven brothers.

Her funeral service is Saturday, April 18, 2015, at 2 p.m. at Earl-Love Funeral Home, 811 E. Rochester St., Akron, with Pastor Thad Stewart of Omega Church and Old Cross Roads Church officiating.

Visitation is 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, April 18, 2015, at the funeral home.

Burial will be in the Akron IOOF Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Gentiva Hospice, 476 W. 18th St., Rochester, IN 46975.

Online condolences can be sent to [earllovedfuneralhome.com](http://earllovedfuneralhome.com).

Friday, April 17, 2015

### **Martha Ellen DeTurk**

March 14, 1930 - April 12, 2015

Mrs. Martha Ellen DeTURK, 85, of Rochester, passed away at 2:40 p.m. Sunday, April 12, 2015, at her residence.

On March 14, 1930, Martha was born in Bradshaw, W.Va., to Thomas and Millie Blankenship. She was one of 10 children.

Martha and Guy DeTurk were married on March 21, 1953, in Grundy, Va., and moved to Indiana, making the Rochester community their home. They shared 53 years of life's adventures. Guy passed away on April 12, 2006.

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Preceding Martha in death are her parents; husband; four sisters, Linda, Rosie, Alice and Virginia; five brothers, Miles, Clarence, Wallace, Irvin and Moses; and daughter-in-law Norma Blankenship. Also, Cash, the brown and brindle pit bull, and her cats, Rumor and Sweet Pea, have crossed over the Rainbow Bridge.

A private family service will be conducted.

Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Online expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Saturday, April 18, 2015

**Nancy Parks**

Nancy Orlan Ragan PARKS, 89, formerly of Talma, died March 28, 2015, at home.

Survivors include her daughter, Laura Lee Sommerfield and son Marcus Parks.

Graveside service is at 11:30 a.m. today at Oakwood Cemetery, Warsaw, followed by a celebration of life at Ragan farm.

Monday, April 20, 2015

**Kurt Michael Miller**

July 2 1997 - April 17, 2015

Kurt Michael MILLER, 17, of Burket, died at 5:36 p.m. Friday, April 17, 2015, at his residence after a garden tractor accident.

On July 2, 1997, Kurt was born in Rochester to Kyle and Melinda (Rebman) Miller. Kurt was a Tippecanoe Valley High School junior. He was very active in the First Baptist Church of Warsaw and had planned to play for the softball team and be a leader in children's church. He was a junior firefighter on the Burket Volunteer Fire Dept. He was involved in the Tippecanoe Valley FFA for three years and a nine-year member of Beaver Dam 4-H Club, where he was vice president this year. He showed dairy calf feeder steers for all nine years as well as completing American heritage project and farm toy scene. He loved Tippecanoe Valley sports, the TV shows "McHale's Navy" and the "Dukes of Hazzard," John Deere equipment, anything Ford, Notre Dame football, New York Giants, Indianapolis Colts, and Peyton Manning as well as Andrew Luck. He always had a smile on his face and enjoyed life. He accepted Jesus Christ into his heart last September.

His survivors include: parents Kyle and Melinda Miller, Burket; brother Kaleb and wife Kim Miller, Warsaw; paternal grandparents, Cecil and Bev Miller, Akron; maternal grandparents, Charles and Ada Rebman, South Whitley; many aunts and uncles and several cousins.

His funeral service is 10 a.m. Wednesday, April 22, 2015, at First Baptist Church, 2819 Patterson Road, Warsaw, with Pastor Steve Rahn, Pastor Rob Seewald and Chaplain Jim Baughman officiating. Burial will follow in Palestine Cemetery.

Friends are invited to visit with the family from 2-8 p.m. Tuesday, April 21, 2015 at First Baptist Church, with a fireman's memorial service taking place at 8 p.m.

Memorial contributions may be made in Kurt's memory to the Kurt Miller 4-H Scholarship made payable to the Beaver Dam 4-H Club.

Messages of condolence may be left online at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

Arrangements are being made by King Memorial Funeral Home, Mentone.  
Tuesday, April 21, 2015

**David F. Wallace Jr.**

David F. WALLACE Jr., 57, Argos, died Sunday at Memorial Hospital, South Bend.

Survivors include his sisters, Darlene Barcus, Argos, Cathy Martz, Tippecanoe, Pamela Bodine, Ober, and Sheri Becker, Warsaw; and brothers John Wallace, Tippecanoe, Jesse Wallace, Rochester, and Donald Wallace, Rochester.

His funeral service is noon Wednesday at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos, with visitation two hours prior to the service.

Wednesday, April 22, 2015

**Harold H. Brown**

Harold H. BROWN, 86, Kewanna, died Monday.

Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel.

**Beverly J. Geller**

Beverly J. GELLER, 71, Rochester, died Monday in Jacksonville, Fla.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Thursday, April 23, 2015

**Harold H. Brown**

Aug. 16, 1928 - April 20, 2015

Harold H. BROWN, 86, Kewanna, passed away at 6:30 p.m. Monday, April 20, 2015, at his companion's residence in Wheatfield.

Born on Aug. 16, 1928, in Pulaski County, he was the son of the late Harry and Ferrell (Freeman) Brown. He married Rosamond Leiter in 1954, and she preceded him in death in 1994.

He was a U.S. Army veteran serving in the Korean War.

Harold retired after 43 years from the Labors and Hod Carriers Union Local No. 274 in Lafayette.

He enjoyed woodworking, spending time outdoors, taking care of his yard, playing cards and spending time with his family and especially his grandchildren.

Survivors include his children, Harold E. Brown, of Kewanna, Ralph E. Brown, of Monterey, David A. Brown, of Buffalo, and Tina Brown Jenkinson, of Kewanna; sisters Phyllis Pownall, of Rochester, and Lola Lauder, of Michigan; brothers Richard

Brown, of Winamac, and Leonard Brown, of Mentone; and companion Iris Taylor, of Wheatfield. He is also survived by 11 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

He was also preceded in death by a brother, Donald Brown.

His funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Friday, April 24, 2015, at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna, with Chaplain Bob Rawlins officiating.

Visitation will be from 4-8 p.m. today at the funeral home and also one hour prior to the service on Friday.

Burial with military rites will be performed at Bruce Lake Cemetery.

Sign the online guest book or leave a condolence for the Brown family at [www.ransfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com).

### **Joseph ‘Joe’ Edgar Fincher Jr.**

Oct. 17, 1935 - April 21, 2015

Joseph “Joe” Edgar FINCHER Jr., 79, Macy, passed away at 7:35 a.m. on Tuesday, April 21, 2015, at Blair Ridge Health Campus, Peru.

Born Oct. 17, 1935, in Roann, he was the son of Joseph Edgar Sr. and Ruth A. Webb Fincher. On July 2, 1955, at the Perrysburg Baptist Church, he was married to Patsy L. Calloway, and she survives.

Joe was a member of the New Life United Methodist Church, Mexico, and the National Rifle Association. He was the past-president of the Indiana Professional Photographers, past-president of the Indianapolis Professional Photographers, advisory board member of the International Professional Photographers Guild, and earned the craftsman and certified professional degrees of the Professional Photographers of America. He was a professional photographer in Miami County for 52 years, and he was the owner/operator of Fincher Photos in Peru for 34 years.

An active supporter of the 4-H program, Joe was the photography superintendent for over 25 years in Miami County and taught photography workshops to 4-H members in Miami and other counties as well as judging in many different counties.

Surviving with his wife are four children, Joseph “Ed” Fincher III and wife Donna, David Fincher and wife Donna, Rochester, Paul Fincher and wife Sheryl, Pasco, Wash., and Shelli Fincher, Peru; grandchildren Lynette (Tom) Mollett, Michael (Angie) Fincher and Jason (Lindsay) Fincher, Rochester, Sam Murphy, Indianapolis, Sara (Rey) Garza, St. Louis, Stephanie (Chris) Hughes, Hermiston, Ore., Forest (Lynn) Fincher, Pasco, Wash., and Jessi and Billi Fisher, Peru; great-grandchildren Tommy and Timmy Mollett, Rochester, Alexis Hicks, Argos, Payton, Cory, Masen, Chase, Gavin and Kinley Fincher, Rochester, Owen and Brille Fincher, Pasco, Wash.; Maddison, Maxton and Michael Hughes, Hermiston, Ore.; and Rosemary Garza, St. Louis; sisters Marilyn Storey and husband David and Lois Baich; brother Lowell Fincher; and special friends Jim and Rae Panther.



He was preceded in death by his parents, brother-in-law William Baich, and sister-in-law Suzan Fincher.

A church service celebrating the life of Joe Fincher will be at 1 p.m. Sunday, April 26, 2015, at New Life United Methodist Church with Pastor Sam Polito officiating, followed by a time of visitation in the church fellowship hall until 3 p.m.

Memorial contributions may be made to New Life United Methodist Church or the National Rifle Association.

McClain Funeral Home, Denver, has been entrusted with arrangements. The online guest book can be signed at [www.mcclainfh.com](http://www.mcclainfh.com).

### **Howard W. Fawley**

Howard W. FAWLEY, 86, Mentone, died Wednesday at Millers Merry Manor, Warsaw.

Arrangements are pending at King Memorial Home, Mentone.

Friday, April 24, 2015

### **Howard W. Fawley**

Jan. 23, 1929 - April 22, 2015

Howard W. FAWLEY, 86, of Mentone, passed away at 11:25 a.m. Wednesday, April 22, 2015, at Millers Merry Manor, Warsaw, after being in failing health for two years.

Born on Jan. 23, 1929, in Kosciusko County, to Milo and Mildred (Dunnuck) Fawley. Howard was married on Aug. 28, 1949, in Etna Green, to Peggy F. Agens, and she survives. He retired from Chore-Time Brock, of Milford. He also worked as an automobile salesman for Petro's GM, of Warsaw, for several years.

Howard was a 1946 graduate of Mentone High School. He was a member of the Mentone United Methodist Church for more than 50 years. He was also a member of the Masonic Lodge where he had been master and held many other positions and the Scottish Rite of Fort Wayne. He was a loyal Cubs fan, and he was a fan of Tippecanoe Valley High School basketball and football. He could always be found sitting in his front row seat with his good friend, Dale McGowen. Every year, he delivered sweet corn to the community with Don Craig. He was also a regular in the mornings at Teel's Family Restaurant. Howard always kept an immaculate yard and enjoyed fishing.

Survivors include his wife, Peggy Fawley, Mentone; daughters Linda and husband Mike Ault, Claypool, and Sandra and husband Garry Wise, Mentone; grandchildren Angela DePalma, Chris and wife Sarah Ault, Scott Wise, and Anne and husband Chris Taelman; and nine great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his brother and sister-in-law, Jack D. and wife Betty Fawley.

His funeral service is 2 p.m. Saturday, April 25, 2015, at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone, with Rev. Amber Karkosky-Litten officiating.

Visitation is noon-2 p.m. Saturday, April 25, 2015, at King Memorial Home.

Burial is at Mentone Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Mentone United Methodist Church.

Share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Irvin A. Jylland**

July 12, 1939 - March 26, 2015

Mr. Irvin A. JYLLAND, 75, of Rochester, passed away at 10:30 p.m. Thursday, March 26, 2015, at Memorial Hospital of South Bend.

On July 12, 1939, Irvin was born in Rochester, Minn., to Chester and Hazel Walker Jylland.

Irv worked at Winamac Coil Spring until becoming disabled. To relax, he enjoyed going to the truck stop for a cup of coffee and catching up on the latest news. Known as "Mr. Fix-It," Irv was often found working on lawn mowers and sweepers.

Irv and Patsy Struble Jacobs were married on Jan. 28, 2000, in Rochester at Grace United Methodist Church. She passed away on Aug. 21, 2014.

Irv is survived by two daughters, Mary Hamric, of Fort Wayne, and Jerri Miller, of Tishomingo, Miss.; a son, Carl Jylland, of Florida; stepdaughters Sevilla Rhoades, of Plymouth, and Sandra Stephens-Miller, of Indianapolis; several grandchildren; nieces; nephews; and his canine companion, Nicole.

Preceding Irv in death are his parents; wife; a daughter, Kathern M. Padgett; a son, Irvin Jylland Jr.; and a sister.

A graveside service for Mr. Irvin Jylland will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, April 28, 2015, at Citizen's Cemetery, Rochester.

Memorials may be made to the donor's choice.

Good Family Funeral Home, of Rochester, has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Online expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Saturday, April 25, 2015

### **Robert H. Farley Sr.**

Feb. 21, 1929 – April 22, 2015

Robert H. FARLEY Sr., 86, of Chicago, passed away on April 22, 2015.

Bob was the loving husband of the late Nola G. Farley RN for 59 years and an amazing and loving father to eight children, 38 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. Bob and Nola's children, Robert H. Jr. (Jane), Karen, Brian (Debbie), Susan (John) Quinn, Jean Medina, Roger (Simone), Tricia (Gary) Dziabis and Nola Jean (Ed) O'Keefe miss him greatly and are blessed to have fond and loving memories of their parents.

Bob was a loving brother to two brothers, Stephen (Kay) Farley and Frannie (Rosemary) Farley, and to sister Marguerite (Russ) Anderberg, and was a brother-in-law to Marilyn (the late Ray) Kucharski, Raymond (Phyllis) Dausman, Roger (Sharon) Dausman, Dorothy (Jack) Hickey and Harold (Donna) Dausman. He also was a fond uncle of many nieces and nephews.

Bob missed Nola terribly during the two years since her death yet remained very active with his family to the pleasure of all. He was an avid tennis player, successful entrepreneur and quiet benefactor to many in need. He loved spending time with family and friends, watching his children and grandchildren perform in sporting events, theater and in life. Bob and Nola spent many happy winters at Jekyll Island and over 50 memorable summers at the lake. He will always be remembered for his love of family and generosity.

Visitation is Sunday, April 26, 2015, from 3-8 p.m. at Curley Funeral Home (through Heeney-Laughlin Directors), 6116 W. 111th St., Chicago Ridge, IL 60415.

Family and friends will gather at Christ the King Church, 9235 S. Hamilton Ave., Chicago, IL 60643 on Monday morning for visitation from 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Mass of Christian burial is 10:30 a.m. Monday, and interment is at St. Mary's Cemetery.

Memorials to the Msgr. Gleeson Scholarship Fund c/o Christ the King Church, 9235 S. Hamilton Ave., Chicago, IL 60643 are most appreciated.

Funeral info: Contact Heeney-Laughlin Funeral Directors, 708-636-5500, or visit [www.heeneyfh.com](http://www.heeneyfh.com).

Monday, April 27, 2015

No Obituaries

Tuesday, April 28, 2015

**William 'Bill' Maurice Racer**

Aug. 29, 1938 - April 25, 2015

William "Bill" Maurice RACER passed away Saturday, April 25, 2015, in Lafayette, with his daughter by his side.

Bill was born in Montpelier, on Aug. 29, 1938, to Maurice (Jack) and Erie J. Pursifull Racer, who preceded him in death. As a young boy, he enjoyed hunting and fishing. Bill graduated from Montpelier High School in 1956 and then attended Ball State University. He started his business career as a young boy with his parents' business, Racer's Bakery, in Montpelier. He was in charge of "setting dough sponges" for that day's bread. He also would load coal into stokers for the family bakery and other local businesses. As Bill became older, he became his father's "Top Route Salesman." After the closing of the bakery, he would work for several other bakery companies of which the last was Nickel's Bakery of Rochester. During the time he worked there he broke sales records as a route salesman. He retired after 50 years of being in the bread business. His passion was the bread business, and he deeply missed his career after his retirement.

He is survived by his sister, Betsy Parker, of Fort Wayne; daughters Jill Racer Lewis, of Lafayette, and Ann Racer Allen (husband Mark), of Smyrna, Tenn.; sons Jack Racer (wife Sandy), of Selma, and Andy Racer, of Muncie. Bill is also survived by his seven grandchildren, Lindsey Dodson (husband Jason), Race Allen, Chloe Allen, Maurissa Racer, Mauranda Racer, Mauriah Racer and J.D. Racer, and his two great-grandchildren, Afton Lewis and Aiden Dodson.

Friends and family may share and remember at Walker & Glancy Funeral Home, 109 W Windsor St., Montpelier, from 4-8 p.m. Thursday, April 30, 2015.

Funeral service for Bill will be at 11 a.m. Friday, May 1, 2015, at Walker & Glancy Funeral Home with Bob Bothast officiating.

Arrangements are being handled by Walker & Glancy Funeral Home, Montpelier.

Online condolences may be made at [www.glancyfuneralhomes.com](http://www.glancyfuneralhomes.com).

### **Arthur D. Leslie**

Arthur D. LESLIE, 64, Rochester, died Sunday at VA Northern Indiana Health Campus, Marion.

Arrangements are pending at McClain Funeral Home, Denver.

### **Marilyn Diane Zartman**

Jan. 23, 1935 - April 27, 2015

Mrs. Marilyn Diane ZARTMAN, 80, of (Nyona Lake) Macy, passed away at 2:22 a.m. Monday, April 27, 2015, at Community Howard Regional Hospital of Kokomo.

On Jan. 23, 1935, Marilyn was born in Kokomo to Edward V. and Maxine A. Milner Brown. Growing up, she shared her childhood with a brother, Ed, near Fulton. With great Bulldog pride, Marilyn graduated with her class in 1952 from Fulton High School. Following high school, she pursued her dream of becoming a nurse,

graduating from Holy Cross Central School of Nursing, Notre Dame, in 1955, being awarded with her registered nursing degree. Her career in nursing spanned more than four decades when she retired from the Veteran's Medical Center in Marion on Jan. 23, 1997.

Marilyn and Robert "Bob" Irvin Zartman were married on May 27, 1995, in Kokomo. Together they enjoyed nearly 20 years of life's adventures.

Marilyn is lovingly remembered by her husband, Bob; her mother, Maxine Brown, of Bunker Hill; a daughter, Beth Campbell and husband Chris, of Elwood; two sons, Bryan Barnett and wife Pamela, of Greentown, and Brent Barnett and wife Tina, of Jacksonville, Fla.; a stepdaughter, Samantha Laird and husband David, of Mason, Ohio; three grandsons, Braden, Jason and Craig Barnett; three stepgranddaughters, Lindsey Scott, Lauren Easley and Abigail Kerr, all of Mason, Ohio; a brother, Edward Brown and wife Barbara, of Kokomo; and her treasured canine companion, Molly, the Boston terrier.

Preceding Marilyn in death are her father; a son, Brad Barnett, in 1977; and two grandsons, Ryan and Joshua Campbell.

A celebration of the life of Marilyn D. Zartman will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday, April 29, 2015, at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester with Chaplain Jason See officiating. Friends may visit with the family two hours prior to the service at the funeral home.

Interment will be at Plainview Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Fulton County Cancer Fund through the Northern Indiana Community Foundation. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Wednesday, April 29, 2015

### **Ruth E. Guise**

March 29, 1927 - April 27, 2015

Ruth E. GUISE, 88, of Decatur, passed away on Monday, April 27, 2015, at Woodview Healthcare, Fort Wayne.

Ruth was born on March 29, 1927, in Fulton County, the 10th of 12 children to the late Charles E. and Odelia P. (Weisenberger) Decker. On Jan. 10, 1948, she married Milo P. Guise. He preceded her in death on April 23, 2005.

Ruth has been a member of St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church since 1966. She was a member of the Women of St. Mary's and also volunteered at St. Joseph Catholic School. She is a 1945 graduate of Leiters Ford High School and a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

She retired from United Telephone Co. with 30 years of service.

Surviving are three sons, Michael J. (Steff) Guise, of Parker, Colo., Andrew P. (Jennifer) Guise, of Decatur, and Randy J. (Annette) Guise, of New Haven; four daughters, Marsha E. (Jack) Riess, of Fort Wayne, Melissa J. DeArmond, of Fort Wayne, Laura M. Guise, of Indianapolis, and Leslie A. (Cary) Brown, of Decatur; a brother, Carl Decker, of Florida; a sister, Helen McFeely, of California; 23 grandchildren; and 18 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a son-in-law, Larry DeArmond, and a great-granddaughter, Ainsley J. Mitchell.

Visitation will be from 4-8 p.m. Thursday, April 30, 2015, at Haggard-Sefton & Hirschy Funeral Home, Decatur, with the reciting of the holy rosary at 3:30 p.m.

A 9:20 a.m. prayer service will be on Friday, May 1, 2015, at the funeral home, followed by a 10 a.m. Mass of Christian burial at St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church. Father David Voors will be officiating.

Burial will be at St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to St. Joseph Catholic School or Masses.

To sign our guest book, click on [www. hshfuneralhome.com](http://www.hshfuneralhome.com).

### **Beverly J. Geller**

Beverly J. GELLER, 71, formerly of Rochester, died Monday, April 20, 2015, at her home in Jacksonville, Fla.

Survivors include two daughters, Pam Aldridge, Peru, and Eva Harper, Elkhart; a son, J.D. Nolen, Rochester; brothers Samuel MacLain, Jacksonville, Fla., Danny Conley, Argos, and brothers from Plymouth, Glasgow, Ky., and Biloxi, Miss.; and two sisters from Plymouth.

Her funeral service is 4 p.m. Saturday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation two hours prior to the service.

Thursday, April 30, 2015

### **Beverly Joan Geller**

July 6, 1943 - April 20, 2015

Mrs. Beverly Joan GELLER, 71, formerly of Rochester, passed away at 4:30 a.m. Monday, April 20, 2015, at her home in Jacksonville, Fla.

On July 6, 1943, Beverly was born in Rochester to Samuel Edward and Mildred Louise Cochran MacLain. She was a member of the Rochester High School class of 1963. The Rochester community was her home until 2012 when she moved to Florida. While she lived in Rochester, Beverly worked at several local eateries. She worked in assembly at Federal Mogul and later retired from Rochester Metal Products. Her memberships include the Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion, Moose and Eagle auxiliaries of Rochester.

Beverly and George Wesley Geller were married on Sept. 30, 1989, in Rochester. They shared 19 years of life's adventures. He passed away on Jan. 9, 2008.

Fishing and hunting for mushrooms or playing shuffleboard or cribbage were always enjoyed by Bev. She cherished the time she could spend with her family and friends. Her canine companions, Chihuahuas Roxy and Radar, were also a very important part of her family. Often she would talk to her granddogs, Two Shoes and Casino. Beverly lived, laughed and loved and would do anything for anybody.

Beverly is lovingly remembered by two daughters, Pam Aldridge and husband Ray, of Peru, and Eva Harper and husband Hop, of Elkhart; a son, J.D. Nolen and wife Tracy, of Rochester; 17 grandchildren; 35 great-grandchildren; brother Samuel MacLain, of Jacksonville, Fla., brother Danny Conley, of Argos, one brother and two sisters of Plymouth, a brother of Glasgow, Ky., and a brother of Biloxi, Miss.; her stepmother of Plymouth; and several nieces and nephews.

Preceding Beverly in death are her parents; husband; a grandson, Frederick Knauss; and a sister, Joyce Frazier.

A celebration of the life of Beverly J. Geller will be at 4 p.m. Saturday, May 2, 2015, at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Friends may visit with the family two hours prior to the service.

Online expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Nicole L. Ebner**

Nicole L. EBNER 29, Rochester, died Monday at IU Health Arnett Hospital, Lafayette.

Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

Friday, May 1, 2015

### **Nicole L. Ebner**

Dec. 23, 1985 - April 27, 2015

Nicole L. EBNER, 29, Rochester, passed away at 9:34 p.m. Monday, April, 27, 2015, at IU Health, Lafayette.

She was born in Knox on Dec. 23, 1985, the daughter of Daniel L. and Eleanor (Tunis) Ebner. She worked as a waitress and enjoyed doing crafts in her spare time.

Survivors include her sons, Mitchell Alexander Pappas, Elkhart, and Seth Michael Pettingill, Rochester; parents Daniel and Eleanor Ebner; brothers Justin Tunis, Rochester, and Shaun and wife Amber Ebner, Chicago; fiance Christopher R. Hann, Frankfort; maternal grandmother Martha Bradley, Knox; paternal grandfather Richard Ebner, Pendleton; nephew Derick Tunis, Rochester; and nieces Ella Tunis, Rochester, and Brittney, Kylie and Savannah Ebner, all from Chicago.

She was preceded in death by her grandfather, LeRoy Tunis, and grandmother Mavis Ebner. Her funeral service is 11 a.m. Saturday, May 2, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with Pastor Rod Ruberg officiating. Visitation will be from 9 a.m. until time of service.

A private interment will take place at Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Arthur ‘Art’ David Leslie**

Dec. 30, 1950 - April 26, 2015

Arthur “Art” David LESLIE, 64, Rochester, passed away April 26, 2015, in the VA Hospital, Marion, after an extended illness.

Born Dec. 30, 1950, in Mishawaka, he was the son of Russell R. and Martha M. Leslie. Art graduated from Hauser High School, Hope, in 1970 after his family relocated from South Bend in 1966. He attended Christ the King Elementary School, South Bend, before they moved.

After graduation, Art joined the U.S. Air Force in 1970 and served until 1977. While in the Air Force, Art was stationed at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, Elmendorf Air Force Base, Alaska, Keesler Air Force Base, Miss., Malstrom Air Force Base, Mont, and in Japan.

Art was an avid fisherman, hunter and outdoorsman; he especially loved spending many hours in the woods looking for mushrooms. He loved collecting knives, guns and fishing tackle. He especially enjoyed hunting rabbits with his beloved beagles, Pepper, Harley and Copper.

He is survived by his mother, Martha Leslie, who resides with his sister, Julia Sonafrank and companion Jim Ireland, Denver. Also, surviving are brothers Thomas (Delia) Leslie, Kirbyville, Mo., and Bruce Leslie, Pine, Ariz.; sister Dolores “Dee” (David) Greer, Denver; brother-in-law Mark Carrothers (Brenda), Kirklin; nephews Darryl Pugh, Craig Pugh, Tommy Leslie, Jonathon Carrothers, Nick Carrothers and Brent Leslie; nieces Kelly Russo, Racheal Leslie, April (Leslie) Deal, Leslie (Greer) Hendrix and Lisa (Greer) Turnpaugh; great-nephews Connor Pugh, Skylar Deal, Alexander Deal, Declan Carrothers, Timothy Hoffman, Dawson Pugh, Trace Pugh, Warren Russo, Lane Russo and Aiden Leslie; and great-nieces Jessica Hoffman, Elizabeth Hoffman, Baleigh Hendrix, Evelyn Hendrix, Joclyn Carrothers, Quinn Carrothers, Lily Leslie and Josie Leslie.

He was preceded in death by his father, Russell Leslie, sister JoAnn Carrothers, brother-in-law Joseph Sonafrank and niece Laura Greer.

Honoring Art’s wishes, there will be no visitation or funeral service.

Family and friends are invited to attend military graveside rites presented by the Miami County Military Rites Team at 2 p.m. Wednesday, May 6, 2015, at Marion National Cemetery, where Art will be laid to rest.



McClain Funeral Home, Denver, has been entrusted with arrangements.  
Condolences may be sent online at [www.mcclainfh.com](http://www.mcclainfh.com).

Saturday, May 2, 2015

No Obituaries

Monday, May 4, 2015

**William Freyberg**

C. William FREYBERG, 85, Rochester, died Saturday at his residence.

Survivors include his wife, Janet; a daughter, Becky Hart, Mentone; and two sons, Larry Freyberg, North Port, Fla., and Jerry Freyberg, Dothan, Ala.

His funeral service is 10 a.m. Wednesday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation from 4-7 p.m. Tuesday and an hour prior to the service on Wednesday.

**Branigan Bahney**

Branigan BAHNEY, 19, Warsaw, died Saturday in an automobile accident in Fulton County, Rochester.

Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

**John J. Cappadora Jr.**

John J. CAPPADORA Jr., 70, Winamac, died Saturday at his residence.

Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Homes, Kewanna Chapel.

**Gregory C. Frain**

Gregory C. FRAIN, 68, Winamac, died Thursday at his residence.

Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Homes, Kewanna Chapel.

**Patty Huff**

Patty HUFF, 62, Rochester, died Saturday at Woodlawn Hospital.

Arrangements are pending at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Nancy Sterk**

Nancy STERK, 62, Akron, died Sunday at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.



Tuesday, May 5, 2015

**C. William ‘Bill’ Freyberg**

April 14, 1930 – May 2, 2015

Mr. C. William “Bill” FREYBERG, 85, of Rochester, was surrounded by his loving family when he passed away at home at 4:43 p.m. Saturday, May 2, 2015.

Born on April 14, 1930, in Tiffin, Ohio, Coan William Freyberg was a treasured son of Frederick F. and Eileen Paxton Freyberg. At the age of 6 months, his family moved to Van Buren where he spent his youth with a brother, Fred, until age 12. The family moved to Chicago, and Bill graduated from Hyde Park High School in 1948.

In pursuit of his lifelong dream to become a journalist, Bill studied journalism at Indiana University. His collegiate years were interrupted when he served our country with the U.S. Marines during the Korean War from December 1951 through December 1953. Returning stateside, he continued his studies at I.U. and graduated with his bachelor’s degree in journalism in 1955.

On Valentine’s Day in 1952, Bill came home from the Marines on a brief leave to marry the love of his life, Janet Lee Smith. These best friends shared more than 63 years of life’s adventures. From their union came three wonderful children, Larry, Becky and Jerry. Over the years, the family tree grew with the added blessings of four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Bill’s initial assignment was with The Rochester Sentinel as its sports writer. His career with The Sentinel spanned more than 37 years, ending in 1992 when he was serving our newspaper as its editor.

Community oriented with a giving heart, Bill helped launch Rochester’s Little League program in 1955, serving as one of the four original managers. He served Rochester as past president of the chamber of commerce and the United Way. With a love for theater, he was a member of the Fulton County Players, serving the theater troop as sheriff during productions of “Fiddler on the Roof” and the “Music Man.”

A devoted member of the Grace United Methodist Church for more than six decades, Bill was actively involved in his church, serving on various committees and teaching Sunday school classes. He also served on the board of the Northern Indiana County Community Foundation for many years.

As the proud patriarch of the Freyberg family, overseeing four generations, Grandpa Bill was delighted with visits, cherishing his time spent with grandchildren and the greats too! As vibrant parents and grandparents, Janet and Bill were actively involved, cheering on the generations at their sporting activities, attending concerts, plays and academic honors. To relax, he enjoyed the game of golf.

Left to cherish Bill’s memory are his wife, Janet, at home; a daughter, Becky Hart and husband John, of Mentone; two sons, Larry Freyberg, of North Port, Fla., and Jerry Freyberg and wife Tammy, of Dothan, Ala.; four grandchildren, Carmen

Christine Rockwell and husband Stephen, Shelley Eileen Hart, Bradley Alan Freyberg and wife Jackie and Mark Andrew Freyberg; four great-grandchildren, Trenten, Courtney and Payten Sainer and Kora Rockwell; a sister-in-law, Donna Smith; and nieces and nephews.

Preceding him in death are his parents and a brother, Fred Freyberg Jr.

A celebration of the life of Mr. C. William “Bill” Freyberg will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, May 6, 2015, at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Pastor Maurice Grindle will officiate.

His family will receive friends from 4-7 p.m. today and an hour prior to service on Wednesday.

Burial will follow in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorials in lieu of flowers may be made to the Grace United Methodist Church, 201 W. Seventh St., Rochester, or The Northern Indiana Community Foundation, 715 Main St., Rochester. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **John J. Cappadora Jr.**

Dec. 7, 1944 – May 2, 2015

John J. CAPPADORA Jr., 70, of Winamac, passed away at noon Saturday, May 2, 2015, at his residence.

Born on Dec. 7, 1944, in Chicago, he was the son of the late John J. Sr. and June (Gore) Cappadora. On May 29, 1999, he married Kay Marie Lewis, and she preceded him in death on March 10, 2009.

John retired from Amtrak in Chicago. He enjoyed fishing and taking care of his dogs.

John is survived by a stepson, Andre Lewis, and special friends Donald Hedger and Trina Garbison, of Winamac.

He is also preceded in death by a brother, Anthony Cappadora.

A graveside service will be at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 6, 2015, at Kewanna Citizens IOOF Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 2-3 p.m. Wednesday, May 6, 2015, at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel.

Please sign the online guest book or leave a condolence for the family at [www.ransfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com).

### **Branigan L. Bahney**

Branigan L. BAHNEY, 19, Akron, formerly of Warsaw, died Saturday in an automobile accident in Fulton County.

Survivors include his mother, A'shel Santana and stepfather Ismael Santana, Warsaw; sisters Victoria Rosas and Marisha Bahney, both of Warsaw; and brother Isaiah Bahney, Warsaw.

His funeral service is Friday at Mentone United Methodist Church with visitation from 3-8 p.m. Thursday at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

### **Patty L. Huff**

Patty L. HUFF, 62, Rochester, died Saturday at Woodlawn Hospital.

Survivors include her husband, Daniel; a daughter, Kimberly D. Hecht; six sisters, Sandy Cauffman, Carol Casey, Connie Swick, Jenny Williams, Tina Malot and Sara L. Thompson; and four brothers, Bill Hecht, Rusty Hecht, Allen Hecht and Brian Hecht.

Her funeral service is 1 p.m. Thursday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation two hours prior to the service.

### **Nancy Sterk**

Nancy STERK, 62, Akron, died Sunday at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

Survivors include her four sisters, Margaret Tromp, Schererville, Bernice Brown, Akron, Wilma Belsan, Brookfield, Ill., and Cornelia Moore, Akron; and four brothers, Charles Sterk, Claypool, Robert Sterk, Sevierville, Tenn., Bert Sterk, Akron, and Lee Sterk, Rochester.

Her funeral service is noon Saturday, May 16, 2015, at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron, with visitation from 10:30 a.m. to time of service at the funeral home.

Wednesday, May 6, 2015

### **Patty Lou Huff**

July 21, 1952 - May 2, 2015

Patty Lou HUFF, 62, of Rochester, passed away at 7:17 p.m. Saturday, May 2, 2015, at Woodlawn Hospital.

On July 21, 1952, Patty was born in Niles, Mich., to Russell Harold and Velma Jean Yard Hecht. Many will remember Patty's smile while serving them at the Main Street Tavern or the Streamliner. She also worked at Rochester Homes. Betty Boop and Patty had a special friendship, as Patty collected anything Betty Boop. Patty was fun, loving and outgoing, always thinking of others.

Patty and Daniel R. Huff were married on April 3, 1982, in Rochester. They shared 33 years of life's adventures.

Patty is lovingly remembered by her husband, Daniel; a daughter, Kimberly Dawn Hecht and fiance Dustin Mathias, of Rochester; four grandchildren, Angel

Nicole Shepherd and husband Jon, Anthony D. Moyer, Andrew Lee Floyd and wife Amanda and Harley R. Hecht; 10 great-grandchildren; six sisters, Sandy Cauffman and companion Harry Watson, Carol Casey and husband Norman, Connie Swick and husband Tom, Jenny Williams, Tina Malott and husband Roscoe and Sara Lee Thompson and husband Barry; four brothers, Bill Hecht and wife Juanita, Allen Hecht and wife Tammy, Rusty Hecht and Brian Hecht; her canine companion, Lacy, a red dachshund; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Preceding Patty in death are her parents; a brother, Larry Hecht; and a great-granddaughter, Hayven Hecht.

A celebration of the life of Patty Lou Huff will be at 1 p.m. Thursday, May 7, 2015, at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Chaplain Jason See officiating.

Friends may visit with the family two hours prior to the service at the funeral home.

Online expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Nancy Sterk**

June 24, 1952 - May 3, 2015

Nancy STERK, 62, Akron, passed away at 11:53 a.m. Sunday, May 3, 2015, at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne, following a surgery.

Nancy was born on June 24, 1952, in Rochester, the daughter of Cornelius H. and Winnie (Kelderhouse) Sterk.

She worked at Heckman Bindery, North Manchester, for several years and for Biomet, Warsaw, for a short time.

Nancy graduated from Akron High School in 1970. She was a member of Akron United Methodist Church. She enjoyed collecting angels and buying trinkets for the family. She also enjoyed cooking, baking and sudoku.

Survivors include four sisters, Margaret Tromp, Schererville, Bernice and husband Paul Brown, Akron, Wilma and husband Don Belsan, Brookfield, Ill., and Cornelia Moore, Akron; four brothers, Charles and wife Marilyn Sterk, Claypool, Robert and wife Sharon Sterk, Sevierville, Tenn., Bert and wife Theressa Sterk, Akron, and Lee and wife Leta Sterk, Rochester; several nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

She was preceded in death by three brothers, John, Herman and Richard Sterk; and three sisters, Nellie Mosher, Carrie Koster and Dorothy Sterk.

Her funeral service is noon Saturday, May 16, 2015, at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron, with Rev. David Eaton officiating. Visitation is 10:30 a.m. to time of service at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Akron United Methodist Church's stained glass window fund.

Share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Branigan Lee Bahney**

Oct. 14, 1995 - May 2, 2015

Branigan Lee BAHNEY, 19, Akron, formerly of Warsaw, passed away on the afternoon of Saturday, May 2, 2015, in an automobile accident in Fulton County.

Branigan was born Oct. 14, 1995, in Peru, to Fernando Paredes and A'shel (Bahney) Santana.

He was employed at Pike Lumber Co., Akron.

In 2014, Branigan graduated from Tippecanoe Valley High School, where he played football and participated in the drama club. He was a member of the Indiana Army National Guard, Unit 113 engineers. He was also a member of the Mentone United Methodist Church where he played the bass guitar and was a youth leader.

Survivors include his mother, A'shel Santana, and stepfather Ismael Santana, Warsaw; his twin sister Victoria Rosas and husband Carlos, Warsaw; sister Marisha Bahney, Warsaw; brother Isaiah Bahney, Warsaw; his maternal grandmother, Shelly Bahney and companion David Kuhn, Mentone; two uncles, Justin and wife Mandy Gearhart, Akron, and Josh and wife Nikki Bahney, Macy; three aunts, Lia and husband Jose Rosas, Akron, Jessica Bahney, Akron, and BethAnn, Wabash; a nephew, Ayven Rosas, Warsaw; several cousins and his dog, Darius.

He was preceded in death by his maternal grandfather, Gary Bahney; his maternal great-grandparents, Max and Mary Jane Gearhart; and his paternal grandparents, Bob and Bonnie Bahney.

His funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Friday, May 8, 2015, at Mentone United Methodist Church with Rev. Amber Karkosky-Litten officiating. Burial will follow at Oakwood Cemetery, Warsaw.

Visitation will be from 3-8 p.m. Thursday, May 7, 2015, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Mentone United Methodist Church – Youth Fund.

Share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Jane F. Miller**

Jane F. MILLER, 93, Poway, Calif., formerly of Rochester, died Monday at her residence.

Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

Thursday, May 7, 2015

**Donald R. Hibner**

Donald R. HIBNER, 77, Kewanna, died Tuesday at South Bend Memorial Hospital.

Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel.

**Dale E. Pugh**

Dale E. PUGH, 68, Rochester, died Wednesday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

Friday, May 8, 2015

**Jane (Smith) Foellinger Miller**

July 27, 1921 - May 4, 2015

Jane (Smith) Foellinger MILLER, 93, Poway, Calif., and formerly of Rochester, passed away at 11:15 p.m. Monday, May 4, 2015, at her residence.

She was born July 27, 1921, in Rochester, the daughter of Gerald Percy and Myra (Paramore) Smith. In 1939, she graduated from Rochester High School and attended Indiana University. On Jan. 11, 1941, in Rochester, she married Robert J. Foellinger. He preceded her in death on Oct. 31, 1960. On Oct. 25, 1961, in Rochester, she married Cloyd E. "Mode" Miller. He preceded her in death on Jan. 20, 1996.

Mrs. Miller retired as chairman of the board of the First National Bank of Rochester. She was a member of the Delta Gamma sorority at Indiana University, former treasurer of the Fulton County Salvation Army, and she served on the board of directors for the United Way of Fulton County. She also was a member of Tri Kappa, the Rochester Elks Lodge No. 2120 and the Moose Lodge No. 1107. She attended the First Baptist Church of Rochester, Foursquare Church of Rochester and the Heart of God of Rancho Bernardo, Calif. In her spare time, she enjoyed golf, bridge, car rides, sightseeing, gospel music and Turner Classic Movies.

Survivors include her children, Robert Brooks Foellinger, Indianapolis, David Bishop Foellinger, Lahaina, Hawaii, and Julie (Miller) and husband Alan Young, Poway, Calif.; grandchildren Robert Brooks Foellinger II, Louisville, Ky., Chelsey Reiko Young, Poway, Calif., and Griffin Miller Young, Poway, Calif.; and cousin Marie Richmond Abbott, Ann Arbor, Mich.

She was preceded in death by her parents.



Her funeral service will be conducted at noon Saturday, May 9, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Friends may call from 10 a.m.-noon Saturday at the funeral home.

Burial will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery, Rochester.

Memorial contributions may be made to donor's favorite charity. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Dale Eugene Pugh**

Sept. 3, 1946 – May 6, 2015

Dale Eugene PUGH, 68, Rochester, passed away at 12:35 p.m. Wednesday, May 6, 2015, at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

He was born Sept. 3, 1946, in Peru, the son of Paul Roscoe and Clara Lucille (Deeds) Pugh. On Feb. 4, 1984, in Rochester, he married Janice E. Thousand. She preceded him in death on March 15, 2015.

Dale worked for NIPSCO for 24 years as a station operator, retiring in 1999. He previously worked for Chrysler Corp. in Kokomo for 11 years and was also a farmer for many years.

He was a member of the Rochester Masonic Lodge No. 79, 32nd-degree member of the Scottish Rite, South Bend, Rochester Order of the Eastern Star, United Steel Workers and the Grace United Methodist Church.

Throughout his life, he enjoyed volunteering as a Little League baseball coach, delivering Meals on Wheels, volunteering with Manitou Monster Triathlon and Fulton County Animal Adoption and Education Center, and spending time with his family. He is remembered as a dedicated Rochester High School Zebras fan, attending numerous sporting events over the years. He was also an avid Chicago Cubs, Notre Dame and Pacers fan and lately a dedicated bicyclist, cycling all over Rochester with his faithful black lab "Bubba" running alongside.

Survivors include his daughter, Kelli R. and husband Seth Nevins, New Whiteland; sons Kevin Dale and wife Jill Pugh, Rochester, Shannon Pugh and fiancé Tina D. Hensley, Rochester, and Travis and wife Becky Pugh, Argos; stepsons Drew Foreman, Macy, and Derrick Foreman, Rochester; grandchildren Alyssa Rennaker, Brittney Rennaker, Jacob Nevins, Mackenzie Nevins, Eli Pugh, Ean Pugh, Alston Pugh, Taylor Pugh, Tori Pugh, McKenna Pugh, Kole Pugh, Sydney Pugh, Jayce Pugh, Kendra Pugh, Gage Foreman, Hannah Foreman, Candace Foreman, Kelsey Foreman, Kyra Foreman, Cody Hensley and Jazmine Hensley; and great-grandchildren Conner Nevins, Emery Rennaker and Daxton Rennaker.

He was preceded in death by his parents, brothers Harold Pugh and Jackson Pugh and sister Pauline Martin.

Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Saturday, May 9, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. A Masonic service will be conducted at 8 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home.

Private interment will take place at Corinth Cemetery, Twelve Mile. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association or the American Heart Association. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Joshua Lee Baxter**

Jan. 16, 1974 - April 7, 2015

Joshua Lee BAXTER, 41, passed away Tuesday, April 7, 2015, in Oklahoma City.

He was born on Jan. 16, 1974, in Rochester.

As a youth, Josh enjoyed life on the farm as well as FFA, FCA, 4-H, volleyball, basketball and tennis.

In 1992, Josh graduated from Rochester High School. He then graduated from Purdue University and completed his education with an MBA from the University of Phoenix.

After his education, Josh headed west to Colorado working as an investment manager. Josh enjoyed hiking, mountain biking, snow skiing, ATV riding and snowmobiling.

Josh was promoted and moved to Oklahoma City. There he attended Life Church. He enjoyed raising his two children, their activities and his dog, Jim.

Josh is survived by a son, Austin; a daughter, Eva; his mother, Christina; his brother, Chad; and his grandmother, Frances Baxter.

He was preceded in death by his father, Douglas Baxter, and his grandparents, Parke Baxter and Westel and Alice Carr.

Family and friends are invited to attend a celebration of Josh's life at 2 p.m. Saturday, May 16, 2015, at the Fulton County Museum, 37 E. 375 North, just off U.S. 31. Pastor Maurice Grindle will speak at 2:30 p.m., followed by stories from family and friends. Afterwards, there will be food and fellowship. Attendees are asked to dress casual.

Memorials for the college funds of Josh's children, Austin, 13, and Eva, 10, may be made through Fran, Chris or Chad Baxter.

### **Robert A. Eiler Sr.**

Robert A. EILER Sr., 79, Rochester, died Thursday at Parkview North, Fort Wayne. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Saturday, May 9, 2015

**Robert Austin Eiler Sr.**

July 5, 1935 - May 7, 2015

Mr. Robert Austin EILER Sr., 79, Rochester, passed away at 4:58 p.m. Thursday, May 7, 2015, at Parkview Regional Medical Center in Fort Wayne.

On July 5, 1935, Bob was delivered by his proud father in Kewanna. His parents are the late Paul Austin and Nina J. Sutton Eiler. Growing up, he shared his childhood with two sisters. With great pride, he graduated from Rochester High School with the class of 1953 and later attended Purdue University to study agriculture. As a press operator, Bob worked in the multicolored printing area of R.R. Donnelley of Warsaw. While living in Alexandria, he was a member of the Mount Olive Community Church of Muncie. After moving back to Rochester, he was a member of the Church of God.

Bob and Kay Marie Hunter Alber were married on Dec. 12, 1992, in Warsaw. They shared 22 years of life's adventures. They looked forward to their annual trip to Pigeon Forge, Tenn. From 1998-2014, they owned and operated B n K Enterprises, which included boarding stables and a rescue for horses. Pleasure riding was enjoyed by both Bob and Kay.

Bob is lovingly remembered by his wife, Kay; six children, Robert A. Eiler and wife Mary, of Rochester, Rodney A. Eiler and wife Sherri, of Gaston, Kathy K. Pressel and husband Roderick, of Anderson, Mark E. Alber and wife Shelly, of Warsaw, Traci Alber and fiance Tommy Shepherd, of Mentone, and Paul W. Alber and wife Holly, of Rochester; grandchildren Sarah, Austin and Andrew Eiler, Jacob Eiler, Suzanne Pressel, Zach, Hannah and Jordan Alber, Cora, Brandt and Dalton Alber, Brody, Riley and Francis Alber, and Travis Keesling; two sisters, Leta Hallett and Elsie Fuller and husband John, all of Alexandria; three sisters-in-law, Lynda McCloughan and husband Ted, of Athens, Wanda Wilhelm and husband Richard, of Macy, and Patsy Rowe, of Monticello; a brother-in-law, Larry Hunter and wife Jean Ann, of Syracuse; several nieces and nephews; and Bella "Bratzilla," a feline domestic shorthaired tiger cat, Tiki, an 11-pound black and white toy rat terrier and Miss Fern, a reddish-tan Chihuahua.

Preceding Bob in death are his parents; his first wife, Jaqueline S. Johnson Eiler; son Nathan W. Alber; and brother-in-law Nelson Dean Hunter.

A celebration of the life of Robert Eiler will be at 2 p.m. Monday, May 11, 2015, at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Pastor John Phillips officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Monday at the funeral home.

Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Fulton County 4-H Horse and Pony Club.

Online expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

**Jimmy A. Gamble**

Jan. 20, 1949 - May 6, 2015

Jimmy A. GAMBLE, 66, of Culver, passed away Wednesday, May 6, 2015, at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center in Plymouth.

Jimmy was born Jan. 20, 1949, in Rochester, to Curtis E. and Grace C. (Mevis) Gamble. He served his country in the U.S. Army. Jimmy married the former Billie Jones on Dec. 31, 1970. She passed away in August 1992. Jimmy worked in the maintenance department at Parkview Hospital, Plymouth, and continued with Saint Joseph Hospital, Plymouth.

Jimmy is survived by his mother, Grace C. Gamble, of Plymouth; his sons, Todd (Amy) Gamble, of Rochester, Anthony (Faith) Gamble, of Plymouth, and Casey (Jessika) Gamble, of South Whitley; his daughters, Jenni Greene, of Plymouth, and Kimberly Baugh, of Culver; 14 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; his brothers, Douglas Gamble, of Plymouth, and Terrance (Lynnette) Gamble, of Argos; his sisters, Debra, of Florida, and Brenda (Randy) Hoskin, of Plymouth; and his longtime companion, Betty Gamble.

Jimmy was preceded in passing by his father, Curtis E. Gamble, and his brother, Curtis Gamble.

A celebration of the life of Jimmy Gamble will be 5-8 p.m. Tuesday, May 12, 2015, at Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

Memorials may be made to the Marshall County Community Foundation/Freedom Park, 2701 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

Memories may be shared online at [www.vangilderfuneralhome.com](http://www.vangilderfuneralhome.com).

**Donald R. Hibner**

Donald R. HIBNER, 77, Kewanna, died Tuesday at South Bend Memorial Hospital.

Survivors include his wife, Etta E. Hibner, Kewanna; children Andy R. Hibner, Kewanna, Julie E. Thomas, Francesville, John W. Hibner, Anderson, and Jennifer R. Hibner, Kewanna; brothers LaVerne Hibner, Plymouth, and Dr. Dan Hibner, Indianapolis; and sisters Carol Smith and Cheryl Bright, both of Rochester.

His funeral service is 3 p.m. Saturday, May 16, 2015, at Fellowship Baptist Church, Winamac, with visitation from 11 a.m. until time of service at the church.

Arrangements are by Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna.

Monday, May 11, 2015

**Hazel C.S. Walker**

Hazel C.S. WALKER, 93, Peru, died Friday at Blair Ridge Health Campus, Peru.

Her funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at First Presbyterian Church, Peru, with visitation from 5-8 p.m. Monday at Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, Peru.

### **Ruth A. Bremer**

Ruth A. BREMER, 94, formerly of Akron, died Saturday at Peabody Retirement Community, North Manchester.

Arrangements are pending at Earl-Love Funeral Home, Akron.

Tuesday, May 12, 2015

### **Ruth Ann (Gilbertson) Bremer**

Aug. 13, 1921 - May 9, 2015

Ruth resided at Peabody Retirement Community in North Manchester where she passed away at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 9, 2015, at the age of 93.

She was born on Aug. 13, 1921, in Edmund, Wis., to Oscar E. and Carol (Draggs) Gilbertson. In her early years, she lived in Edmund, Wis., several years in Boulder, Colo., 50 years in Grand Rapids, Mich., and 10 years in Akron and North Manchester.

Ruth graduated from Dodgeville High School, Dodgeville, Wis., in 1939 and then received her nursing degree in 1946 from Milwaukee General School of Nursing. She married Robert Baird (deceased) in 1952 and later divorced. She then married Donald J. Bremer on Sept. 2, 1960, in Grand Rapids, Mich. They were married for more than 50 years when he passed away in 2011.

Ruth was a registered nurse and took great pride in her work as a nurse and enjoyed reunions with Blodgett Memorial Hospital retired nurses. She was a member of Wyoming Park United Methodist Church and the Akron United Methodist Church. She loved to encourage others, knitting and Bible studies. Caring for her family and friends gave her much joy.

Surviving Ruth is one daughter, Carol (spouse David) Ellenwood, of Rochester; two sons, Douglas Baird, of Golden, Colo., and Thomas (spouse Nan) Baird, of Woodland Hills, Calif.; seven grandchildren, Matthew (spouse Susan) Ellenwood and family, Marc (spouse Andrea) Ellenwood and family, Kathryn Ellenwood, Bradley Ellenwood (Justin McKendry), Patrick Baird, Trevor Baird and Jason Baird; five great-grandchildren; one brother-in-law, William Jesse; nieces and nephew, all of Wisconsin; two cousins, Mary Jean Thomas, Dodgeville, Wis., and Kent Austin, of Verona, Wis.; and special friends Jim and Bonnie Linscott, Nancy Chapel, Paul and Patty Judd and family, all of Grand Rapids, Mich., and Maci Callow, North Manchester.

Preceding Ruth in death are her parents, sister Barbara Jesse and husband Donald Bremer.

Visitation will be 10-11 a.m. Saturday, May 16, 2015, with family and friends at Peabody Retirement Community with the memorial service following at 11 a.m. Sue Babovec, chaplain at Peabody Retirement Community, will officiate.

Burial will be at Grandville Cemetery in Grandville, Mich.

Memorial contributions can be made to Peabody Foundation or Akron United Methodist Church or Wyoming Park United Methodist Church, Wyoming, Mich., or BeadforLife.org.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Earl-Love Funeral Home, Akron.

Online condolences may be sent to [earllovefuneralhome.com](http://earllovefuneralhome.com).

### **Harriet A. Weaver**

Harriet A. WEAVER, 90, Peru, died Sunday at Blair Ridge Health Campus, Peru.

Survivors include her three children, Linda Hebb, Pendleton, S.C., Terry Weaver, Peru, and Louanne Johnloz, Huntington; and one sister, Miriam Sites, Roann.

Her funeral service is 3 p.m. Thursday at the Mexico Church of the Brethren with visitation from 4-8 p.m. Wednesday at the church and one hour prior to the service on Thursday.

Arrangements are by McClain Funeral Home, Denver.

Wednesday, May 13, 2015

### **Nancy Sterk**

June 24, 1952 - May 3, 2015

Nancy STERK, 62, of Akron, passed away at 11:53 a.m. Sunday, May 3, 2015, at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne, following a surgery.

She was born on June 24, 1952, in Rochester, the daughter of Cornelius H. and Winnie (Kelderhouse) Sterk.

She worked several years at Heckman Bindery, North Manchester, and a short time at Biomet, Warsaw.

Nancy graduated from Akron High School in 1970. She was a member of the Akron United Methodist Church. Nancy enjoyed collecting angels and buying trinkets for the family. She also enjoyed cooking, baking and playing sudoku puzzles.

Survivors include four sisters, Margaret Tromp, Schererville, Bernice and husband Paul Brown, Akron, Wilma and husband Don Belsan, Brookfield, Ill., and Cornelia Moore, Akron; four brothers, Charles and wife Marilyn Sterk, Claypool, Robert and wife Sharon Sterk, Sevierville, Tenn., Bert and wife Theresa Sterk,

Akron, and Lee and wife Leta Sterk, Rochester; several nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

She was preceded in death by three brothers, John, Herman and Richard Sterk; and three sisters, Nellie Mosher, Carrie Koster and Dorothy Sterk.

Her funeral service is noon Saturday, May 16, 2015, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Rev. David Eaton officiating.

Visitation is 10:30 a.m.-noon Saturday, May 16, 2015, at Hartzler Funeral Home.

Burial will be in Akron Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Akron United Methodist Church's stained glass window fund.

Share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Sava Rudo**

Sava RUDO, 91, rural Akron, died Monday at Peabody Retirement Community, North Manchester.

Arrangements are pending at Earl-Love Funeral Home, Akron.

Thursday, May 14, 2015

### **Karen R. Shank**

Feb. 14, 1963 – May 12, 2015

Karen R. SHANK, 52, of Winamac, passed away at 10:45 p.m. Tuesday, May 12, 2015, at Hickory Creek, Rochester.

Born Feb. 14, 1963, in Rochester, she was the daughter of Donald L. and Doris E. (Walls) Woolington. On April 22, 2006, she married James N. Shank Jr., and he survives.

She was a 1981 Kewanna High School graduate.

Karen formerly worked at Ace Hardware, Winamac, and she was also a homemaker.

Karen enjoyed cooking and was also an avid Colts and Nascar fan. She enjoyed spending time with her family, especially her granddaughter, Sydney May, and her beloved dog, Zeke.

She was a member of the Rochester Church of Christ.

Survivors include her husband, Jim Shank Jr., of Winamac; mother Doris Woolington, of Kewanna; children Kayci Cunningham and Tracy Cunningham, both of Kewanna; granddaughter Sydney May, of Kewanna; brothers Mark (Mona) Woolington, Michael (Deb) Woolington, both of Logansport, and Dan (Cathy) Hassenplug, of Kewanna; father-in-law and mother-in-law James and Carol Shank, of

Winamac, brother-in-law Jerry Shank, of Lafayette; and sister-in-law Kim (Terry) Kline, of Winamac.

She is preceded in death by her father, Donald Woolington, and brother David Hassenplug.

Her funeral service is 10 a.m. Saturday, May 16, 2015, at the Rochester Church of Christ, 120 E. Fifth St., with Pastors Jim Dillinger and Doug Nolen officiating.

Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Friday, May 15, 2015, at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel, and also one hour before the time of service at the church.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Sign the online guest book or leave a condolence for the Shank family at [www.ransfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com).

### **Sava Rudo**

Jan. 10, 1924 – May 11, 2015

Sava RUDO, age 91, 10138 E. 100 North, Akron, died at 6:15 p.m. Monday, May 11, 2015, at Peabody Retirement Community, North Manchester.

He was born on Jan. 10, 1924, in Omaha, Neb., to Mike and Catherine (Bless) Rudo. He has lived in the Akron area for 26 years coming from Omaha, Neb.

Sava married Barbara Holloway on July 4, 1953, at the Beaver Dam United Methodist Church near Akron. He worked for Union Pacific Railroad and Drakulich Trucking, retiring after 26 years of service living in Akron.

Surviving Sava is his wife, Barbara Sava; two daughters, Sheryl (spouse Ena) Hayes, of Omaha, Neb., and Sandra (spouse Troy) Smith, of Claypool; one son, Scott (spouse Jo-Anna) Rudo, of Omaha, Neb.; one brother, Steve Rudo, of Akron; five grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Preceding Sava in death are his parents, brother George Rudo and sister Amelia Novakovich.

Visitation will be 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Friday, May 15, 2015, with the funeral service at 12:30 p.m., following visitation at the Earl-Love Funeral Home, 811 E. Rochester St., Akron.

Burial will be in the Nichols Cemetery, Akron.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Salvation Army or donor's choice.

Online condolences may be sent to [earllovefuneralhome.com](http://earllovefuneralhome.com).

Friday, May 15, 2015

### **Ronald Ulery**

Ronald ULERY, 73, Rochester, died Thursday at his residence. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.





Saturday, May 16, 2015

**Ronald L. Ulery**

Nov. 17, 1941 - May 14, 2015

Mr. Ronald L. ULERY, 73, of Rochester, passed away at 5:04 p.m. Thursday, May 14, 2015, at his residence.

On Nov. 17, 1941, Ron was born in Twelve Mile to Richard and Rosella Bean Ulery. Growing up he shared his childhood with two sisters and four brothers. Ron was a member of the last class to graduate from Twelve Mile High School in 1961.

Ron and Carolyn F. Weakman were married on Oct. 5, 1963, in Cass County and shared 51 years of life's adventures. Their union produced two daughters and a son, later two more branches were added to the family tree with eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

As a tool and die machinist, Ron worker for Sealed Power. He also worked in maintenance at Argos Community Schools. "Fore!" was often heard by Ron at the Round Barn Golf Club at Mill Creek where, until last month, he was manicuring the greens. An avid golfer, Ron enjoyed playing the 18 holes. Playing a round of poker with friends was a lot of fun too. To relax, Ron read historical fiction and western novels by Louis L'Amour.

Ron is lovingly remembered by his wife, Carolyn; his mother, Rosella Ulery, of Twelve Mile; two daughters, Debora Chaney, of Bellevue, Neb., and Brenda VanMeter and husband Dale "Tom," of Rochester; a son, Rod Ulery and wife Kisia, of Rochester; eight grandchildren, Trishia, Joshua, Alyssa, Elizabeth, Tommy, Jade, Erin and Allison; four great-grandchildren, Ryan, Aurora, Coda and Champ; a sister, Betty Evans, of Logansport; four brothers, Donald Ulery, of Twelve Mile, Larry "Jay" Ulery and wife Mary, of Peru, Rich Ulery and wife Clara, of Rochester, and Robert "Bob" Ulery and wife Laura, of Logansport; and several nieces and nephews.

Preceding Ron in death are his father and a sister, Shirley Ulery.

A private service will be conducted for Ronald L. Ulery.

Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Online expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Monday, May 18, 2015

**Mary Ruth Keim**

Nov. 5, 1928 - May 16, 2015

Mary Ruth KEIM, 86, Rochester, passed away at 3:28 a.m. Saturday, May 16, 2015, at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

She was born on Nov. 5, 1928, in Rochester, the daughter of Fred and Helen (Shuman) Gottschalk and graduated from Fulton High School in 1946. She married neighbor and childhood friend Frederick Byron Keim at her parents' home just south of Green Oak on Oct. 5, 1951. He preceded her in death on Jan. 5, 2007.

Mary Ruth had worked as a bookkeeper at Modern Diary and at the Fulton County Bureau of Motor Vehicles. She was a member of the Trinity United Methodist Church, where she had taught Sunday school and the Pleasant Hour Club, Fulton County Historical Society, where she was treasurer of the Genealogy section, and active in Fulton County 4-H. She enjoyed gardening, genealogy, Sudoku, sewing, quilting, baking pies, attending auctions, and especially bidding on items to add to her collection of stamps, glass and coins. She contributed her time and baking skills for the annual Dick Gottschalk Memorial Run cancer fundraiser for many years. She enjoyed tending to her annual flower plantings and was affectionately known as the "Flower Lady." She enjoyed watching her birds and spending time with her family, friends and dear neighbors.

Survivors include her son Keith Alan and wife Patricia Jean Clark Keim, Rochester; daughter Jane Ann Cripe, Philadelphia, Pa.; grandchildren Natalie Renae Keim, Indianapolis, Phillip Clark Keim, North Manchester, Linnea Rose Cripe, Adison Perry Cripe, and Ethan Colin Cripe, all of Philadelphia; brothers Robert O. and wife Elaine Gottschalk, Rochester, William E. and wife Linda Gottschalk, Bonita Springs, Fla, James E. Gottschalk, Fort Myers, Fla; sister Phyllis and husband James Bird, Logansport; several nieces, nephews and cousins. She was preceded in death by her parents and son-in-law Dr. Chad Cripe in 2014.

Funeral services will be conducted at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, May 20, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with Reverend Linda Sue Hewitt and Pastor Susan Clark officiating. Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Tuesday and one hour prior to service at the funeral home. Burial will be in the Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester. Memorial contributions may be made to the donor's favorite charity. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Carol Ann Shewman**

Carol Ann SHEWMAN, 75, Akron, passed away at 6:25 p.m. Sunday, May 17, 2015, at Miller's Merry Manor, Warsaw.

Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

### **Barbara J. Engle**

Barbara J. ENGLE, 74, Kewanna, passed away at 1:52 p.m. Saturday, May 16, 2015, at I.U. Arnett Hospital, Lafayette. Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel.

**Thelma Pauline Ailer Peterson**

Thelma Pauline Ailer PETERSON, 93, formerly of Rochester, passed away Saturday, May 16, 2015, at Grace Village Health Care Center, Winona Lake.

Survivors include her son Barry Peterson, Rochester; sisters Velma Horn, Mentone, Donna Jo Ailer, Mishawaka, and Phyllis Swanson, Atwood.

Her funeral service is 11 a.m. Wednesday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation two hours prior to the service.

Tuesday, May 19, 2015

**Crozier Joseph Boothe**

Sept. 11, 1936 – May 18, 2015

Crozier Joseph BOOTHE, 78, a resident of Grayslake, Ill., passed away peacefully surrounded by his loving family on Monday, May 18, 2015, at Midwest Palliative Hospice Care Center in Glenview, Ill.

He was born Sept. 11, 1936, in Pulaski, Va., to Crozier and Millie Boothe.

Joe was a Protestant. He was an avid fan of the Cubs, Bears, wrestling and quarter horses. Joe owned several Standard-Amoco service stations. He enjoyed gardening, RV-ing and spending time with family and friends.

Joe is survived by his children, M. Elayne (Harvey) Eichelberger, of Salem, Wis., Jerry (Kim) Boothe, of Beach Park, Ill., Lou (Steve) Biggs, of Rochester, and Leslye (Mike) Polowy, of Florida; his grandchildren, Robert (Pam) Pieroni, of Salem, Wis., Christopher (Carrie) Piha, of New Jersey, Courtney (Mike) Nerovich, of Chicago, Alex Boothe, of Ecuador, Cody Biggs, of Grayslake, Ill., Joey (Kelly) Biggs, of Rochester, Austyn Boothe, of Osh Kosh, Wis., Aaron Boothe, of Beach Park, Ill., Josh (Val) Eichelberger, of Antioch, Ill., and Adam Eichelberger, of Antioch, Ill.; his great-grandchildren, Craig Wende, Mason Wende, Markie Christensen, Espen Pieroni, Mackenzie Eichelberger, Rylen Pieroni, Christian Eichelberger, Jaxon Eichelberger and S.J. Biggs; and his sister, Lou Nester, of Martinsville, Va.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Anita Boothe; his son, Peter Andrews; his parents; his siblings; and many family friends.

Visitation is Wednesday, May 20, 2015, from 4-8 p.m. at the Strang Funeral Chapel, 410 E. Belvidere Road, Grayslake, IL 60030.

His funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Thursday, May 21, 2015, at the funeral chapel.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to Midwest Hospice and Palliative Care Center in Glenview, Ill. For more information, please call 847-223-8122 or log onto [www.strangfuneral.org](http://www.strangfuneral.org).

**Barbara J. Engle**

Aug. 25, 1940 – May 16, 2015

Barbara J. ENGLE, 74, of Kewanna, passed away at 1:52 p.m. Saturday, May 16, 2015, at IU Health Arnett Hospital in Lafayette.

Born on Aug. 25, 1940, in Lebanon, she was the daughter of the late Gilbert and Anna Koopman.

She was the 1958 valedictorian at Pittsboro High School.

On May 15, 1982, she married Robert C. Engle in Brownsburg.

Barbara was formerly employed as the head underwriter at American States Insurance Co. in Indianapolis for 20 years.

Barbara was a follower and believer of the Worldwide Church of God Seventh Day, and she enjoyed gardening and taking care of her flowers.

Survivors include her loving husband, Robert “Bob” Engle, of Kewanna; brother Norman Koopman (Mildred), of Pittsboro; and nieces and nephews, Tina Koopman, Robin and Jim Woodburn, Tom and Jackie Foust, Penny Keyser, Nancy Ewing, Cindy and Rick Eastwood, Sue and Ken Hamman, Larry and Joyce Donathen and Jon and Diana Donathen. She is also survived by numerous great-nieces and great-nephews.

A graveside service will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, May 20, 2015, at the Lizton Knights of Pythias Cemetery, Lizton, Ind.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Kidney Foundation and/or the American Heart Association.

Please sign the online guest book or leave a condolence for the Engle family at [www.ransfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com).

**Craig Foster**

Craig FOSTER, 61, Rochester, died Friday, Jan. 9, 2015, at Woodlawn Hospital.

Survivors include his daughter, Melissa Foster, Plymouth; his son, Nicholas Foster, Plymouth; and his brother, Steven Foster, Rochester.

His funeral service is 10 a.m. Thursday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

**Kenneth R. See**

Nov. 22, 1951 – May 18, 2015

Kenneth R. SEE, 63, Rochester, passed away at 5 p.m. Monday, May 18, 2015, at the Center for Hospice Care, Elkhart.

He was born on Nov. 22, 1951, in Peru, the son of Victor R. and Donna (Smith) See.

Mr. See worked for the North Central Co-op, Rochester, for more than 44 years. In his spare time, he enjoyed NASCAR and spending time with his family.

Survivors include his daughters, Joni Monroe, Van Buren, Ark., and Jessica and husband Dustin France, Rochester; grandchildren Keagan France and Jackson France, Rochester, Raven Monroe, Caylin Monroe, Paetyn Monroe and Alex Orrender, all of Van Buren, Ark.; brothers William and wife Lucy See, Fulton, Bobby and wife Jody See, Fulton, Timothy and wife Janet See, Warsaw, and Scott and wife Diane See, Macy; sisters Vicky Overmyer, North Liberty, and Sarah and husband Terry Kimble, Rochester; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, infant twin sons Jeremy and Jamey See, and brother Thomas G. See.

His funeral service is 11 a.m. Thursday, May 21, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Fulton, with Rev. George Hapner officiating.

Friends may call from 5-8 p.m. Wednesday and one hour prior to service at the funeral home in Fulton.

Burial will take place at a later date in the Fulton Cemetery.

Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Thelma Pauline Ailer Peterson**

Nov. 23, 1921 – May 16, 2015

Mrs. Thelma Pauline Ailer PETERSON, 93, formerly of Rochester, passed away at Grace Village Health Care Center, Winona Lake, on Saturday, May 16, 2015.

Born on Nov. 23, 1921, in Fulton County, Thelma was a cherished daughter of Russell and Blanche Wynn Ailer. Growing up as the second eldest, she shared her childhood with three sisters, Velma, Donna Jo and Phyllis. With great Hickory pride, she graduated with her class from Talma High School in 1939.

Thelma and Maurice J. Peterson were married on Oct. 25, 1941, in Tiosa. Together they enjoyed more than 47 years of life's adventures and from their union came a son Barry. Over the years, the family tree grew with the added blessings of two more generations.

In the early years, on their Newcastle Township farm, Thelma took care of her family by cooking and performing domestic chores. Additionally, she maintained the yard and gardens while overseeing the chicken operation.

Thelma was a loyal and devoted member of the Riverview Community Church.

As an adventurer, Thelma and Maurice took to the road in their travel trailer, visiting every state except Alaska. Some of their favorite destinations were the Rocky Mountains and the Rio Grande Valley. For 11 years, they spent their winters in Yuma, Ariz. Later, they visited Hawaii, the Bahamas and several European countries. There were memorable trips to Canada, and they were once a part of a 32-day caravan to Baja, Mexico, which included a ride on a ferry.

Thelma and her trio of BFF lady friends Elnora Craig, Pat Evans and Lois Doud shared the joy of venturing out on bus trips. They also drove to other locales east of the Mississippi River. Many times they enjoyed employing practical jokes on each other and the thunderous laughter that accompanied the prank. Dining out and a drive through the country was a great way for them to relax with much chatter, catching up on the latest.

As the matriarch of the Peterson family, Grandma Thelma was proud to oversee four generations. She enjoyed living near her family while watching her grandchildren, Amy and Brian, grow up to be the adults they are today. The great-grandchildren brought her happiness, keeping track of their school activities and with their visits at the holidays and special family celebrations.

Left to cherish Thelma's memory are her son, Barry Peterson and wife Judy, of Rochester; a granddaughter, Amy Elliott and husband Shawn, of Laingsburg, Mich., and their children, Austin and Josh Elliott; a grandson, Brian Peterson and wife Tracy, of Winona Lake, and their children, Haley, Emily and Abbey Peterson; three sisters, Velma Horn, of Mentone, Donna Jo Ailer, of Mishawaka, and Phyllis Swanson and husband Robert, of Atwood; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Preceding Thelma in death are her parents and husband, Maurice, on July 31, 1989.

A celebration of the life of Mrs. Thelma Pauline Peterson will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, May 20, 2015, at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Rev. Rod Ruberg officiating. Friends may visit with the family two hours prior to the service at the funeral home.

Thelma will be laid to eternal rest next to her beloved husband, Maurice, in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Riverview Community Church or to the charity of the donor's choice.

Online expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Russell W. See**

Russell W. SEE, 73, Andover, Ill., died Wednesday at Cheyenne Wyoming Regional Medical Center.

Survivors include his loving wife, Phyllis See; daughter Shannon See, Denver; brother Ronald See, Peru; and sister Jackie Fultz, Logansport.

His funeral service is 2 p.m. today at Kirk, Huggins & Esterdahl Funeral Home, Ltd., Orion, Ill., with visitation one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

An additional service will be conducted at 7 p.m. Thursday at Denver Baptist Church with visitation one hour prior to the service at the church.

McClain Funeral Home, Denver, is handling arrangements in Indiana.





**Carol Ann Shewman**

Aug. 3, 1939 - May 17, 2015

Carol Ann SHEWMAN, 75, of Akron, passed away at 6:25 p.m. Sunday, May 17, 2015, at Miller's Merry Manor, Warsaw, after being in failing health for seven months. She was born on Aug. 3, 1939, in Akron, to Elmer and Blanche (Miller) Dickey.

On Nov. 23, 1958, in Akron, she married Stanley L. Shewman, who preceded her in death on July 25, 2006.

Carol worked for Akron Exchange State Bank for 20 years and later for First Bank of Akron. She also worked for Akron Elementary School for six years.

Carol Ann graduated from Beaver Dam High School in 1957. She was a member of the Akron Church of the Brethren where she played the piano. She enjoyed playing both the piano and organ and was always a music lover. She was very fond of her cats and enjoyed talking and visiting with all of her friends.

Survivors include her sister, Marcella Meredith, Burket, and currently Miller's Merry Manor; niece Melinda and husband Jim Webb, Claypool; nephew Marlin and wife Londa Meredith, Cicero; and several other nieces and nephews also survive.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Stanley L. Shewman, and brother-in-law Vernon "Mumps" Meredith.

Her funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Thursday, May 21, 2015, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Pastor David Hendry officiating.

Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Wednesday, May 20, 2015, at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

Burial will be in Nichols Cemetery, Akron.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to Harbor Light Hospice, 800 Roosevelt Road Building C, Suite 206, Glen Ellyn IL 60137 or the Akron Church of the Brethren.

Share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

**Connie Sue Sutton**

May 12, 1953 - May 14, 2015

Connie Sue SUTTON left this life the evening of Thursday, May 14, 2015, in San Antonio, at the age of 62.

Connie was born to Virgil and Erma Rock Sutton on May 12, 1953, in Rochester. She graduated from Rochester High School in 1971 and went on to earn a bachelor's degree in health and human services from the University of Phoenix in 2007. She was most recently completing her master's in professional counseling at Grand Canyon University and was passionate about her volunteer work for the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI). She worked as a social worker for many

years at her home in Tucson, Ariz., and recently relocated to San Antonio. Connie was also an avid blood donor and enjoyed reading, baking and spending time with her family and friends.

Connie is lovingly remembered by her two daughters, Kimberly Nichols and husband Mel, of San Antonio, and Candy Rogers and husband Michael, of Tempe, Ariz.; her son, Justin Frascchetti, of Blackfoot, Idaho; eight grandchildren, James Garrett Bingle, Andrew and Benjamin Rogers, Jakob Bingle, Sarah Rose and Zachary Nichols, and Chelsey and Haley Frascchetti; her father, Virgil Sutton, of Rochester; three brothers, Bob (Kathy) Sutton, Roy (Martha) Sutton, of Rochester, and Ron (Cindy) Sutton, of Hartford, Ala.; and two sisters, Karen (Doug) Gladden, of Seneca, Ill., and Kristie (Alan) Amos, of Rushville; and several nieces and nephews and their families.

Preceding Connie in death was her mother, Erma Sutton.

A memorial service is being planned for a later date in both Rochester and Tucson, Ariz.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Connie Sue Sutton's name to the southern Arizona chapter of NAMI.

Wednesday, May 20, 2015

### **Craig "Sam" Foster**

Nov. 26, 1953 - Jan. 9, 2015

Mr. Craig "Sam" FOSTER, 61, of Rochester, passed away at 7:28 a.m. Friday, Jan. 9, 2015, at Woodlawn Hospital.

On Nov. 26, 1953, Sam was born in Indianapolis to Milton and Betty Jane Bruce Foster. Growing up he shared his childhood with three brothers, Steven, Bruce and David. As a U.S. Army veteran, Sam served during the Vietnam Era.

Sam and Selene Hostetler were married on Sept. 30, 1979. Their union produced a son and daughter. Another generation of nine grandchildren have been added to the family tree.

As a professional truck driver, Sam enjoyed mingling with people over breakfast and a cup of coffee. Until his health declined, he worked for Certified Farm Services of Kewanna.

Sam will be lovingly remembered by his daughter, Melissa Foster; and his son, Nicholas Foster and wife Jeanne, all of Plymouth; nine grandchildren, Kaitlin Moore, Angel Moore, Michael Moore, Ethan Moore, Brooklyn, Jasmine, Braedyn, Kezie and Kameron Foster; his brother, Steven Foster and wife Barb, of Rochester; and several nieces and nephews.

Preceding Sam in death are his parents and two brothers, Bruce Foster and David Foster.

A celebration of the life of Craig “Sam” Foster is 10 a.m. Thursday, May 21, 2015, at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Friends may visit with the family one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Military honors will be conducted by the Fulton County Honor Guard and the U.S. Army Honor Guard.

Online expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Juanita M. King**

Juanita M. KING, 85, Rochester, died Tuesday at Hickory Creek, Rochester. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

Thursday, May 21, 2015

### **Juanita M. King**

Jan. 18, 1930 - May 19, 2015

Juanita M. KING, 85, Rochester, passed away peacefully at 1:40 a.m. Tuesday, May 19, 2015, into God’s glorious presence.

She was born on Jan. 18, 1930, in Rochester, the daughter of Bryce and Arlene (Morris) Thompson. Juanita married Edward King on Nov. 3, 1950, in Rochester, which was witnessed by Devon Ogle and Barb Smiley. He survives.

In 1948, Juanita graduated from Warren Beauty College and worked as a beautician. She then worked at Torin Corp. for many years until retiring in 1986. She was a member of the First Baptist Church, Rochester. She enjoyed gardening and tending to her flowers, baking, taking walks, reading, making afghans and quilts. She was an avid I.U. basketball fan, but most of all she loved spending time with her family.

Survivors include her husband, Ed King, Rochester; children Susan and husband Rick Hart, Mentone, Doug and wife Vickie King, New Carlisle, John and wife Jackie King, Florida, and Scott and wife Amy King, Rochester; son-in-law Mike Thompson, Rochester; grandchildren Penny (Ringle) and husband Jason Sharp, Ohio, Gretchen (Hart) and Johnny Wadkins, Bourbon, Jordan, Jeremey, Jason, Jaimee, Jennifer and Janna King, all of Florida, Nicole, Lana, Davis and Regan King, all of Rochester; granddaughter-in-law Shannon Hart, Kingman; stepgrandson Greg Miller, South Bend; great-grandchildren Zachary Sharp and Samantha Sharp, Ohio, Aubrey and Aidana Hart, Kingman, Braeden, Grant, Sadie, Addy and Oakley Wadkins, all of Bourbon; great-great-grandson Michael Sharp, Ohio; sisters Roberta Evans, Rochester, Mary Jo Goss, Columbia City, Carlene Snipes, Rochester; brother Robert “Bob” and wife Janice Thompson, Osceola; stepsister Betty Jo Ray; and many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, daughter Jo Ellen Thompson, grandson Aaron Hart, great-grandson Caleb Hart, stepsisters Mary Grund and Dorothy Richards and stepbrother John Vernon.

Her funeral service is 11 a.m. Saturday, May 23, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with Dr. Mark Spencer officiating. Friends may call from 4-7 p.m. Friday, May 22, 2015, and one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

Burial will be at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude's Children's Hospital or First Baptist Church. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Mickey D. Eaton**

Dec. 1, 1930 - May 19, 2015

Mickey D. EATON, 84, of Warsaw, formerly of Mentone, died 1:40 a.m. Tuesday, May 19, 2015, at his residence.

He was born Dec. 1, 1930, in Newcastle Township, Fulton County, to Devon and Lena (Mollenhour) Eaton.

He married the girl of his dreams, Patricia Ballenger, on June 13, 1951, in Denver, Colo., and she survives Mickey was employed by Dean Foods Co. for more than 37 years, which took his family to four different states. He spent the last 23 years in Rockford, Ill., as a project engineer.

He was a 1948 graduate of Talma High School. He served in the U.S. Air Force from 1951-1955, spending time in Germany and honorably discharged as staff sergeant. He attended the Pleasant View Bible Church in Warsaw and previously attended the Riverview Community Church. In his retirement, he enjoyed restoring old farm tractors on their farm near Mentone. He belonged to the Echoes of the Past Antique Tractor Club.

Survivors include his wife, Patricia Eaton, Warsaw; son Kevin and wife Debra Eaton, Texas; three grandchildren, Joshua, Tricia and Jeramy; brother Jerry and wife Barbara Eaton, Rochester; brother-in-law and sister-in-law Larry and Diana Nellans, Fort Myers, Fla.; and several nieces and nephews.

Preceded in death by his parents, sister Carol Crawford and son Kim Eaton on Dec. 27, 2006.

His funeral service is 10 a.m. Saturday, May 23, 2015, at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone, with Pastor Rod Ruberg officiating.

Burial will be in Mentone Cemetery.

Visitation is 4-7 p.m. Friday, May 22, 2015, at King Memorial Home, Mentone.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Riverview Community Church Roof Fund. Share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).



Friday, May 22, 2015

**Phyllis A. Zehner**

Phyllis A. ZEHNER, 87, Goddard, Kansas, formerly of Rochester, died Friday, May 8, 2015, at the Harry Hynes Memorial Hospice, Wichita, Kan.

Survivors include her children, Carole Seese, Madison, Wis., Mary Stockemer, Colwich, Kan., Ruth Mulholland, Littleton, Colo., Paula Weintraut, Port St. Lucie, Fla., Bonnie Minney, of Littleton, Colo., and Vance Zehner of Verona, Wis.

Her memorial service is at 3:30 p.m. Thursday at Medicalodges, Goddard, Kan.

Saturday, May 23, 2015

**Phyllis Anne Zehner**

May 5, 1928 – May 8, 2015

Phyllis Anne ZEHNER, 87, passed away peacefully Friday, May 8, 2015, at the Harry Hynes Memorial Hospice, Wichita, Kan.

Phyllis was born May 5, 1928, in Rochester, to H. Dean and D. Mearle Newcomb. She lived in Goddard, Kan., near her second born daughter, Mary, and her family. Phyllis was a loving and giving mother and grandmother. She loved the Lord with all her heart and had a wonderful, kind and gentle spirit.

Phyllis graduated from Rochester High School in 1946. She was active in Girl Scouts, 4-H Club, Beta Sigma Phi sorority and the Rebecca Lodge. Her talented artistic ability was expanded by attending Vogue Beauty College, South Bend, and eventually owning her own shop, the Village Beauty Salon, Culver.

She is survived by six of her seven children, Carole (Terry) Seese, Madison, Wis., Mary (Dan) Stockemer, Colwich, Kan., Ruth Mulholland, Littleton, Colo., Paula Weintraut, Port St. Lucie, Fla., Bonnie Minney, of Littleton, Colo., and Vance (Tracy) Zehner, of Verona, Wis.; 22 grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren; one great-great-granddaughter; and one nephew, Philip (Becky) Newcomb.

She was preceded in death by her parents, brother Robert, oldest son David and her ex-husband, Oscar.

Her memorial service will be 3:30 p.m. Thursday, May 28, 2015, at Medicalodges, Goddard, Kan. She will be placed next to her parents in Rochester's IOOF Cemetery this summer.

Memories and condolences may be made to the family at [phyllis-anne-zehner.forevermissed.com](http://phyllis-anne-zehner.forevermissed.com).

**Carolyn Thompson**

Carolyn THOMPSON, 80, Logansport, formerly of Akron, died Friday at Chase Center, Logansport.

Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

Monday, May 25, 2015

No Obituaries – Holiday

Tuesday, May 26, 2015

**Ruth A. Bowersox**

Dec. 12, 1934 – May 24, 2015

Ruth A. BOWERSOX, 80, Rochester, and a longtime Leiters Ford resident, passed away at 7:57 p.m. Sunday May 24, 2015, at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

She was born on Dec. 12, 1934, in Fulton County, the daughter of James and Goldia (Garland) Calhoun. In 1952, at the Leiters Ford United Methodist Church, she married John R. Bowersox, and he survives.

Mrs. Bowersox retired from Hart, Schaffner and Marx after 15 years of service. She previously worked at Leiters Ford School in the cafeteria.

Survivors include her husband, John R. Bowersox, Rochester; son Dale Robert and wife Margaret Bowersox, Culver; five grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and sister Carol Kelsey, Monterey.

She was preceded in death by her parents; daughter Doris Ann Cool; son Dean John Bowersox; brothers James W. Calhoun and Jack A. Calhoun; and sisters Clara Large, Susie Reinhold and Linda Baker.

There will be no service at this time.

Burial will be at a later date at Leiters Ford Cemetery.

Arrangements are by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

**Marguerite Effie Click**

Sept. 25, 1924 – May 22, 2015

Marguerite Effie CLICK, 90, a resident of Blair Ridge, Peru, and formerly of Denver, passed away at 6:44 p.m. Friday, May 22, 2015, at Dukes Memorial Hospital, Peru.

Born Sept. 25, 1924, in Fulton County, she was the daughter of Walter and Mabel Woodcox Ball. On Dec. 29, 1942, in Bruce Lake, she was married to Robert G. Click, and he preceded her in death on Dec. 28, 2001.

She was a member of the Denver Baptist Church and worked for many years at Hart, Shaffner and Marx, Rochester. Marguerite loved fishing, cooking, spending time with her family and filling her life with laughter and enjoyment.\

She is survived by two daughters, Janice Miriam Murphy and husband Dick, Denver, and Linda Kay Loveless and husband Gary, Indianapolis; seven grandchildren, Tauscha Snyder, Gaston, Jennifer Spears, Carthage, N.Y., Amanda Thomas, Indianapolis, Tony Murphy, Denver, Michelle Murphy, Denver, Lisa Loveless, Seattle, and Brandon Loveless, Yorktown; nine great-grandchildren; and two sisters, Leona Skinner, Elkhart, and Colleen Miller, Plainfield.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by one brother, Walter Ball Jr., and one sister, Lucille J. Clifton.

Her funeral service is 10 a.m. Wednesday, May 27, 2015, at the Denver Baptist Church, with Pastor Tim Earle officiating.

Visitation is 4-8 p.m. today, May 26, 2015, in the Denver Baptist Church sanctuary.

Burial will follow in Ever-Rest Memorial Park, Cass County.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Denver Baptist Church.

Condolences may be made online at [www.mcclainfh.com](http://www.mcclainfh.com).

### **Beth Ann Hults**

June 17, 1964 – May 23, 2015

Beth Ann HULTS, 50, of Valley Park, Mo., passed away peacefully Saturday, May 23, 2015, at Big Bend Wood Health Care, Valley Park, after a courageous battle with pancreatic cancer.

Born June 17, 1964, in Fort Wayne, a little baby girl found her home with Jerry and Shirley “Champ” Hults.

Beth was known for her friendliness, quick smile, fun-loving personality and her great love for her cats, Toots, Moose and Gracie.

Survivors include her mother, Shirley Hults, Carmel; brother Michael (Carolyn) Hults; two nephews, Connor and Tyler Hults, all of Hoffman Estates, Ill.; special friends Doris Strong and Lonnie (Cheryl) Dannenburg; many wonderful cousins, including Amy, Matthew and Dianne; and a special uncle, Gary (Jane) Champ, of Fletchers Lake.

Beth was preceded in death by her father, Jerry Hults.\

A celebration of Beth’s life will be noon Wednesday, May 27, 2015, at Gundrum Funeral Home, Logansport, with Dr. Horace Smith officiating.

A gathering of family and friends will be conducted at the funeral home from 11 a.m. until time of service. Please feel free to come visit with the family and stay for her celebration of life.



Burial will be next to her father in the Bethlehem United Methodist Cemetery near Twelve Mile.

Sign the guest book and send online condolences at [www.gundrumcares.com](http://www.gundrumcares.com).

### **Michael E. McFarland**

June 30, 1951 – May 24, 2015

Rev. Michael E. McFARLAND, 63, of 1230 Madison St., Rochester, passed away and his faith became sight with his loving family at his side at 8:05 p.m. Saturday, May 24, 2015, at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester, after being in failing health since November.

He was born June 30, 1951, in Rochester, to Eugene and Virginia (Swango) McFarland.

He was married Sept. 2, 1976, in Rochester, to Susan J. Craig, and she survives.

He was the Athens United Methodist Church minister for the last four years. Michael worked for Woodlawn Hospital in the emergency room and intensive care unit as well as for Kosciusko Community Hospital and Medstat, Warsaw. He also was a director of nursing at Peabody Retirement, North Manchester, worked in the EMS Department at Woodlawn and at the Bremen Kindred Nursing Home.

Michael received his associate degree in general studies in 1990. He then attained his associate degree in nursing from Indiana University in 1991 and his bachelor's degree in 1995. He took the community parish nurse course in Ohio to further his ministry. He was honored as the Outstanding Alumni in 1995 and received the Carle Foundation Award in 2002. He attended the Ozark Bible College, Neosho, Mo. He received his Ordination Certificate on July 30, 2007, from the Northwest Indiana District. He served as pastor of the Logansport and Kingsford Heights Assembly of God churches. He conducted revival meetings in Logansport, Mooresville and Athens. Michael also was the associate pastor at the Rochester Nazarene Church as well as being involved in children's ministry. He was looking forward to having his next revival, Stepping Back in Time, tent meeting June 11-14. In previous years, he served as a city councilman in Rochester. He was a man of God who never knew a stranger and always put others before himself. He enjoyed family time, reading and eating at restaurants.

Survivors include his wife, Sue McFarland, Rochester; daughters Melissa and husband Brian Weitzel and Rebecca and husband Brian Sweany, all of Rochester; sons Michael and wife Tamara McFarland, Rochester, and Matthew and wife Samantha McFarland, Lafayette; father Eugene McFarland, Rochester; mother-in-law Lorna Craig, Rochester; aunt Evelyn McFarland, Rochester; nine grandchildren, Clifford Vanata, Bronson and wife Dasha Vanata, Margaret and husband Andrew Rock, Madison Sweany and fiance Kyle Nelson, Joselin Sweany, Bryce Weitzel, Reese Weitzel, Nathinel Beck and Emma Beck; great-grandchildren Willow and

Weston Vanata; brother Tim and wife Sue McFarland, Rochester; brother-in-law Jim and wife Judy Brazo, Warsaw; nieces and nephews Julia Gibbons, Laura Smiley, Tim Shepherd, Kim Hunt and Heather Cox; and dog Mollie.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Virginia McFarland, mother-in-law Jo and husband Guy Stayton, father-in-law Raymond Craig and brother-in-law Delmor Shepherd. His funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Thursday, May 28, 2015, at the Church of the Nazarene, 1987 Southway 31, Rochester, IN 46975. Rev. Don Meyer and Lay Servant Michael Walters will officiate.

Visitation is 2-8 p.m. Wednesday, May 27, 2015, at the Athens United Methodist Church, 230 S. 650 East, Athens.

Burial will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Athens United Methodist Church teen ministry, Fulton County Animal Shelter or Gideon's International.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

Share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Marcella J. Meredith**

Nov. 25, 1930 – May 25, 2015

Marcella J. MEREDITH, 84, Burket, passed away at 2:20 a.m. Monday, May 25, 2015, at Millers Merry Manor, Warsaw.

She was born Nov. 25, 1930, in Kosciusko County, to Elmer and Blanche (Miller) Dickey. On Nov. 4, 1950, in Akron, Marcella was married to Vernon C. "Mumps" Meredith, who preceded her in death on Dec. 17, 2008.

Marcella was a bookkeeper and also a homemaker. She was a graduate of Beaver Dam High School. She attended the Burket United Methodist Church and the Riverview Community Church. She was a member of the Kosciusko County Home Economics Club. She was very active in the Democratic Party in Kosciusko County. In their retirement years, she and her husband operated an antique business. She was a loving mother and grandmother.

Survivors include her daughter, Melinda and husband Jim Webb, Claypool; son Marlin and wife Londa Meredith, Cicero; four grandchildren, Natasha, Cameron, Colin and Veronica; and a great-grandchild, Rylee.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Elmer and Blanche Dickey; husband Vernon "Mumps" Meredith, infant son James D. Meredith and sister Carol Ann Shewman on May 17, 2015.

Her funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Friday, May 29, 2015, at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone, with Rev. Charles Gast officiating.

Visitation is 5-7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 28, 2015, at King Memorial Home, Mentone.

Burial will be in Nichols Cemetery, Akron.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to Harbor Light Hospice, 800 Roosevelt Road, Building C, Suite 206, Glen Ellyn IL 60137.

Share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Carolyn Thompson**

Feb. 14, 1935 – May 22, 2015

Carolyn THOMPSON, 80, Chase Center, Logansport, and formerly of Akron, passed away at 11:30 a.m. Friday, May 22, 2015, at the Chase Center.

She was born Feb. 14, 1935, in Providence, R.I., to Howard L. and Mildred (Randall) Card.

Carolyn was a nurse's aide in Rhode Island. She attended the Olive Bethel Church of God, Akron.

Survivors include her sons, Joseph Thompson, Smithfield, R.I., Eugene Thompson, Macy, and Jake Thompson, Macy; daughters Donna Thompson and Sally Jo Thompson, both of Rhode Island; 11 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; sisters Marian Donaldson, Florida, and Leah Quinn; and brother, Robert Card, Rhode Island.

She was preceded in death by two sons, Michael and Mitchell Thompson, and her sister, Mable Murray.

Per her wishes, no service will be conducted at this time. Arrangements have been entrusted to Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron.

Memorial contributions may be made to Olive Bethel Church of God, Akron.

Share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **C. Robert Michel**

Aug. 7, 1931 – May 21, 2015

C. Robert MICHEL, 83, North Manchester, died at 7:15 p.m. Thursday, May 21, 2015, at Peabody Healthcare Center, North Manchester.

He was born Aug. 7, 1931, in South Whitley, to Carl E. and Inez P. (Burch) Michel. On April 16, 1950, he married Joan M. Poer.

He was a retired farmer and a member of the First Brethren Church, North Manchester.

He and his wife enjoyed camping, and they spent many winters in Texas. He loved farming. He also enjoyed horseback riding at Salamonie Reservoir, mowing at The Village Hamlet mobile home park and spending time with his family and teasing his grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife, Joan Michel, North Manchester; two sons, Richard L. (Nan) Michel, North Manchester, and Mark E. (Peggy) Michel, Pierceton; two daughters, Becky S. (Tom) Hendrix, Fort Wayne, and Roberta K. (Edward) Foor, Rochester; sisters M. Lavon Behny and M. Leanne (Jerry) Flinn, both of North Manchester; two stepdaughters, four step-great-grandchildren, 10 grandchildren and 26 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one brother-in-law, Gene Behny, and one granddaughter, Amber Michel.

His funeral service will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, May 27, 2015, at First Brethren Church, 407 N. Sycamore St., North Manchester, with Rev. Kurt Stout officiating.

Family and friends may visit from 2-8 p.m. today, May 26, 2015, at McKee Mortuary, 1401 Indiana 114 West, North Manchester, and one hour prior to the service at First Brethren Church.

Burial will be in Oaklawn Cemetery, North Manchester.

Memorial contributions may be made to Visiting Nurse & Hospice, 5910 Homestead Road, Fort Wayne, IN 46814 or First Brethren Church, 407 N. Sycamore St., North Manchester, IN 46962. Online condolences may be emailed at [delughtertermckee.com](mailto:delughtertermckee.com).

### **Evelyn M. Noell**

Evelyn M. NOELL, 90, formerly of Rochester, died Friday.

Survivors include her daughter, Leslie Noell, Frankfort; sons Mark Noell, Danville, Matthew Noell, Lexington, and Timothy Noell, Lexington; and brother Kenneth Reddick, Marshall, Mich.

Her funeral service is 1 p.m. Wednesday at Milward-Southland Drive, Lexington, Ky., with visitation from 11 a.m. to time of service.

### **George D. Hendrickson**

George D. HENDRICKSON, 86, Grass Creek, died Monday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Homes, Kewanna Chapel.

Wednesday, May 27, 2015

### **Edgel Rabon 'Ray' Ousley**

Oct. 27, 1939 - May 25, 2015

Edgel Rabon "Ray" OUSLEY, 75, of Mentone, passed away at 11:27 a.m. Monday, May 25, 2015, at Richard L. Roudebush VA Medical Center, Indianapolis.

On Oct. 27, 1939, he was born in Risner, Ky., to James and Nancy (Pitts) Ousley. He was united in marriage to Sandra K. Palmer on May 21, 1990, in Sevierville, Tenn., and she survives.

Edgel proudly served his country in the U.S. Army in Korea from 1958-1960. He retired from Zimmer in 1995, after serving 21 years as an inspector.

He is survived by his wife of 25 years, Sandra Ousley, Mentone; two daughters, Nancy (and spouse Jeff) Gordon, Rochester, and Tammy (and spouse Sean) O'Connor, Mentone; one son, Tony (and spouse Nikki) Palmer, Warsaw; nine grandchildren, Brittany (and spouse Kyle) Marocco, Warsaw, Emily Gordon and fiancé Kyle Dell, Rochester, Zachary Gordon, Rochester, Ryan Baldwin, Warsaw, Chelsea Baldwin, Mentone, Paige (and spouse Dustin) Scharf, Warsaw, Tabi Baldwin, Mentone, Danyelle Palmer, Winona Lake, and Tyler Palmer, Etna Green; three great-grandchildren, Hayden Marocco, Hayleigh Baldwin and Emily Baldwin; one brother, Gardis (and spouse Maudie) Ousley, Prestonsburg, Ky.; and one sister, Evie Thornsby, Martin, Ky.

Edgel was preceded in death by his parents, an infant sister and four brothers, Adam Ousley, Vernon Ousley, Claude Ousley and James "Elva" Ousley.

His funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Friday, May 29, 2015, at McHatton-Sadler Funeral Chapel, Warsaw, with Rev. Sam Carns officiating.

Visitation hours will be from 3-8 p.m. Thursday, May 28, 2015, in the funeral chapel.

Burial will be in Oakwood Cemetery, Warsaw, with military honors by the American Legion Post No. 49 and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 1126, Warsaw.

Memorial contributions may be made to Disabled American Veterans, P.O. Box 14301, Cincinnati, Ohio 45250-0301.

To sign the guest book or send online condolences, visit [mchattonsadlerfuneralchapels.com](http://mchattonsadlerfuneralchapels.com).

### **George D. Hendrickson**

Jan. 28, 1929 - May 25, 2015

George D. HENDRICKSON, 86, of Grass Creek, passed away at 9 a.m. Monday, May 25, 2015, at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Born Jan. 28, 1929, in South Bend, he was the son of the late Florance and Frances (Elliott) Hendrickson. On June 29, 1963, he married Marge N. Lloyd, and she survives.

He was a 1947 Grass Creek High School graduate and a 1951 Indiana University graduate.

He was a U.S. Air Force veteran and a U.S. Army veteran, serving in the Korean War.

George retired in 1977 from National City Bank, Logansport, as a banker. He also was formerly a bank examiner at FDIC. George was a woodcutter and carpenter, who made and sold music instrument cases.

He was a 50-year member of the Rochester Masonic Lodge No. 79, Scottish Rite, Shrine Club, Grass Creek Lions Club and the Veterans of Foreign Wars No. 1121, Kewanna. George was also a longtime treasurer and board member of the Grass Creek Cemetery. He enjoyed woodworking, cemetery preservation, telling stories and helping anybody in need.

Survivors include his wife, Marge Hendrickson, of Grass Creek; son Staff Sgt. Charles D. Hendrickson (Anna), of Fort Belvoir, Va.; daughter Margaret E. Martin (Michael), of Zionsville; grandchildren Marisa Hendrickson, Joshua Martin and Andrew Martin; and step-grandchildren Bradley Dickison, Joshua Dickison, Michael Martin and Tiffany Colsten. He is also survived by numerous nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews and cousins.

He was also preceded in death by one sister, Margaret Wineland.

A celebration of George's life will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, May 28, 2015, at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel, with Pastor David Sommers officiating.

Visitation will be 4-8 p.m. today, May 27, 2015, at the funeral home where there will also be a Masonic service at 7:45 p.m. Visitation will also be one hour prior to the service on Thursday.

Burial, with military rites, will be at Grass Creek Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to one's favorite charity in his memory.

Sign the online guest book or leave a condolence for the Hendrickson family at [www.ransfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com).

Thursday, May 28, 2015

### **Sarah Jane Crimmins**

Jan. 28, 1933 - May 26, 2015

Sarah Jane CRIMMINS, 82, of Lucerne, passed away Tuesday, May 26, 2015, at Woodbridge Health Campus in Logansport.

Born Jan. 28, 1933, in Harrison Township, she was the daughter of the late Gilbert and Esta (Mellinger) Herd. On Aug. 19, 1951, at the Indian Creek Christian Church, she married Richard Crimmins, who survives.

Sarah Jane was a farmer's wife. She was a 1951 graduate of Lucerne High School. She served as a 4-H leader since 1951. Sarah Jane was a former president of the Pioneer School Board where she served for 12 years. She was an Indiana State Fair board member for four years, served two terms on the Cass County Council, was a county women's leader of Cass County Farm Bureau and district treasurer of Farm

Bureau. Sarah Jane was very active in the Cass County Republican Party and a lifetime member of Indian Creek Christian Church.

Surviving along with her husband, Richard, are her two daughters, Susie (Tom) Runkle, Fulton, and Jane (Michael) Jordan, Johnson Creek, Wis.; two sons, Herd (Loisann) Crimmins, Lucerne, and Gilbert (Mindy) Crimmins, Remington; 11 grandchildren, Kem Crimmins, Bronx, N.Y., Kitten (Trey) McClain, Evansville, Krystal (Chris) Howard, Logansport, Jeff (Donna) Runkle, Rochester, Greg (Laura) Runkle, Macy, Amy (Corey) Calvert, Rochester, Rebecca J. (Ted) Mueller, Watertown, Wis., Nicole L. (Andy) Wagner, Lisbon, Wis., Adam Crimmins, Lucerne, Austin (Kassidy) Crimmins, Mishawaka, and Brandon (Lisa) Crimmins, Indianapolis; 28 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews, including two special nephews, David and Darrell Herd.

She was preceded in death by one sister, Esther Kliene; two brothers, Elmer and Paul Herd; two grandchildren, Andy and Noel Crimmins; and one great-grandchild, Addison Jay McClain.

A celebration of Sarah Jane's life will be at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, May 31, 2015, at the Indian Creek Christian Church, Harrison Township of Cass County, with Jeff Strite officiating.

Visitation will be from 3-8 p.m. Saturday, May 30, 2015, at the Gundrum Funeral Home, Logansport, and one hour prior to the service in the church.

Burial will follow in the Indian Creek Christian Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Cass County 4-H Association.

You may sign the guest book and send online condolences at [www.gundrumcares.com](http://www.gundrumcares.com).

### **Phillip J. Rentschler**

Phillip J. RENTSCHLER, 77, Macy, died Wednesday at his residence.

Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Fulton.

Friday, May 29, 2015

### **Phillip J. Rentschler**

June 13, 1937 - May 27, 2015

Phillip J. RENTSCHLER, 77, Macy, passed away at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 27, 2015, at his residence.

He was born June 13, 1937, in Fulton County, the son of Elgy V. and Mervine C. (Hubert) Rentschler. On Dec. 23, 1956, in Fulton, he married Margaret Ann Alber. She preceded him in death on June 30, 1994. On Feb. 14, 1997, at Fletcher's Lake United Methodist Church, he married Marilyn Joyce (Fry) Giesler, and she survives.

Phil was a 1955 graduate of Fulton High School and a member of the Fulton Masonic Lodge. He worked as a farmer and loved woodworking full time. He enjoyed visiting with anyone who stopped by his wood shop, and he always treasured the time spent with his family.

Survivors include his wife, Joyce Rentschler, Macy; daughters Cynthia and husband Greg Pownell, Logansport, Karen and husband Barry Capper, Plymouth; stepchildren Michael and wife Cindy Helvie, Marion, and Marilyn and husband Howard Shepard, Ohio; grandchildren Cameron Capper and fiancée Kayla, Ann Arbor, Mich., Blake Pownell, Logansport, and Bailey Capper, Cincinnati; stepgrandchildren Jonathon, Debra and Zachary Shepard, Ohio, Eric and wife Megan Helvie, New York, and Melody and husband Jared Rensberger, Pasadena, Calif.; brothers Jim and wife Doneta Rentschler, Lucerne, Ned and wife Juanita Rentschler, Rochester, and Dave and wife Nancy Rentschler, Paris, Mo.; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

His funeral service will take place at 2 p.m. Sunday, May 31, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Fulton, with Rev. Dave Summers officiating. Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Saturday, May 30, 2015, and one hour prior to service at the funeral home in Fulton. A Masonic service will take place at 7:30 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Fulton Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Fulton Masonic Lodge. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Dakota James ‘Cody’ Nilson**

March 20, 1998 - May 26, 2015

Dakota James “Cody” NILSON, 17, of Fulton, passed away at 11:23 p.m. Tuesday, May 26, 2015, at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne, from injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

He was born March 20, 1998, in Logansport, the son of Doug J.O. Nilson and Rebecca Minniear.

Cody had just finished his junior year at Caston High School. He enjoyed playing video games, riding dirt bikes and playing hacky sack with his friends.

Survivors include his father, Doug Nilson (Kim Brown), of Fulton; mother Rebecca Minniear (Camron Vawter), of Kewanna; grandparents Richard and Lois Nilson, of Twelve Mile, and Brenda Benedict, of Logansport; brothers Cole A. Nilson, of Fulton, Cane J. Nilson, of Fulton, and Clyde A.L. Wilson, of Star City. Cody is also survived by several aunts, uncles and many cousins.

He was preceded in death by his grandfather, Terry “Jake” Benedict, and uncles Tracy Nilson and Terry Benedict Jr.



His funeral service is 11 a.m., Monday, June 1, 2015, at Bethlehem United Methodist Church, Twelve Mile, with Pastor Adam Speicher officiating.

Visitation will be from 2-6 p.m. Sunday, May 31, 2015, at Marocco-Rans Funeral Chapel, Logansport, and also one hour prior to the service at the church on Monday.

Memorial contributions may be made to the family.

Please sign Cody's online guest book or leave a condolence for the family at [www.ransfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com).

Saturday, May 30, 2015

**Daniel Joseph Miller Sr.**

July 4, 1957 - May 28, 2015

Mr. Daniel Joseph MILLER Sr., 57, of Rochester, passed away at 5:10 p.m. Thursday, May 28, 2015, at his residence.

On July 4, 1957, a firecracker, Dan, was born in Rochester, a treasured son of Arden and Gloria Alspach Miller. Growing up, he shared his childhood with three sisters and a brother. He was a member of the Rochester High School Class of 1975.

Patriotism beckoned, and Dan answered the call, joining the U.S. Navy in 1974. He was a submariner and was honorably discharged in 1977. Dan continued his love for our country by being active in the Fulton County Honor Guard. Other memberships include the LeRoy Shelton American Legion No. 36, the Veterans of Foreign Wars No. 1343, Fraternal Order of Eagles, all of Rochester, and ABATE.

As a tool and die machinist, Dan worked for Lobdell-Emery Manufacturing, Argos. At home, he was a master woodworker, creating custom gifts, fabricating nearly anything imaginable for family and special friends. A huge fan of Harley-Davidson motorcycles, Dan collected memorabilia and was the proud owner of a 2015 Ultra-Glide Trike, electric blue with hot pearl accents. Relaxing while catching the warm summer breezes, Dan enjoyed adventures on his motorcycle. His two favorite destinations were attending Bean Blossom annually, and in August he would head down to Indianapolis for the NHRA drag races.

An accomplished bowler, Dan once enjoyed a perfect 300 game at Quick's Lanes. On summer evenings he stopped to dine at Dick's Drive-In, enjoying an extra hot tostada with a side of chips with customized "Dan hot sauce."

Left to cherish Dan's memory are a son, Dan Cook, of Rochester; his mother, Gloria Knox, of Rochester; three sisters, Brenda Popovich and husband Mike, of Springfield, Mo.; Angel Skidmore and husband Travis, of Rochester, and Pamela Daulton and husband Dave, of Rochester; several nieces and nephews; and the many friends he made along life's journey.

Preceding Dan in death are his father and his brother, Thomas J. Miller Sr.

A celebration of the life of Daniel J. Miller Sr. will be at 2 p.m. Sunday, May 31, 2015, at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Pastor Rod Utter officiating. Friends may visit with the family from noon-2 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

Interment will be in the Reichter Cemetery.

His final salute and military rites will be conducted by his friends, the Fulton County Honor Guard, the U.S. Navy Military Rites Team and the Patriot Guard.

Memorials may be made to the Fulton County DAV Fund, c/o Fulton County auditor, 125 E. Ninth St., Rochester, IN 46975.

Online expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Melvin Lee Springer**

Jan. 20, 1964 - May 25, 2015

Melvin Lee SPRINGER, 51, of Kokomo, passed away on Monday, May 25, 2015, at St. Vincent Hospital, Indianapolis.

Lee was born in Kokomo on Jan. 20, 1964, to the late Melvin L. and Joan (McGibbon) Springer. He was employed at Woodlawn Hospital in Rochester as a human resource specialist and Howard Community Regional Hospital in Kokomo. Lee enjoyed spending poolside with his friends.

Lee is survived by his spouse, Neal Bowers-Springer, of Kokomo; siblings Kennard Springer, of Bringham, Fred (Joyce) Springer, Myrtle Beach, S.C., and Lachita (Darrell) Minix, of Kokomo; mother-in-law Sherian Pearson; sisters-in-law Barbara Garringer, Jackie Tate and Alice Hollstein; brothers-in-law Craig Bowers, Gary Bowers, Warren Pearson and Danny Pearson; several nieces and nephews; many very special friends; and his beloved dogs, Chauncey and Daphni.

His funeral service will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday, June 2, 2015, at Ellers Mortuary, 3400 S. Webster St, Kokomo.

Family and friends may call from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

Burial will be in Galveston Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the family of Melvin Lee Springer.

You may read Lee's obituary online at [www.ellersmortuary.com](http://www.ellersmortuary.com) where you can sign the guest book, or share a personal message with the family.

### **Lois Hunter**

Lois HUNTER, 85, formerly of Mentone, died Thursday at Wedgewood Estates, Mansfield, Ohio.

Arrangements are pending at King Memorial Home, Mentone.

**Sharon L. Oliphant**

Sharon L. OLIPHANT, 68, Tippecanoe, died Thursday, May 28, 2015, in Cedar City, Utah.

Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

Monday, June 1, 2015

**Melvin R. Myers Jr.**

Melvin R. MYERS Jr., 84, died Nov. 30, 2014, in Lake Placid, Fla.

His memorial service is 3 p.m. Sunday, June 7, 2015, at Trinity United Methodist Church, Rochester, with visitation one hour prior to the service.

**Robert W. Smith**

Robert W. SMITH, 84, died May 30, 2015 at Community Howard Hospital, Kokomo.

Survivors include his wife, Barbara, Leiters Ford; and sons, Daniel, Mishawaka, Robert, Houston, Texas, and Paul, Rock Hill, S.C.

His funeral service is 2 p.m. Wednesday, June 3, 2015, at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

**Lois I. Hunter**

Nov. 2, 1929 – May 28, 2015

Lois I. HUNTER, 85, Mansfield, Ohio, formerly of Mentone, passed away at 9:24 p.m. Thursday, May 28, 2015, at Wedgewood Assisted Living Facility, Mansfield, Ohio.

She was born Nov. 2, 1929, in Kosciusko County, to Cloice and Trella (Flenar) Baum.

On Feb. 27, 1949 Lois was married to Charles L. Hunter, he survives in Ohio.

Lois was a bookkeeper and a homemaker. She was a graduate of Mentone High School. She was a former member of the First Baptist Church of Mentone. She enjoyed reading the Bible, her grandchildren and great grandchildren. She always had a smile on her face and a twinkle in her eyes.

Survivors include her husband, Charles “Chuck” Hunter; her daughter, Rebecca and husband Gary Thomas, Ontario, Ohio; her son, Mark and wife Deb Hunter, Saginaw, Mich.; grandchildren, Kristine Thomas, Marysville, Ohio, Kendra and husband Jeremy Ingle, Marysville, Ohio, Kasey and husband Jim Rader, Mansfield, Ohio, Shane and wife Abby Hunter, Marlette, Mich., and Heather Hunter, Saginaw, Mich.; great-grandchildren, Peyton Ingle, Emily Ingle, Garrett Ingle, Calah Rader, Grace Rader, Marlea Rader, Joyanna Rader, Elijah Rader, Gabby Hunter, Zoey Hunter, Eliot Hunter and Finlee Hunter; her sister, Frances and husband Firman Sensibaugh, Franklin, Va.; brothers, Doyle and wife Melia Baum, Granger, Royal and wife Fran Baum, Mentone; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brother, Edmund Baum; and great granddaughter, Faith Calah Rader.

Her funeral service is 11 a.m. Tuesday, June 2, 2015, at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone, with speaker James Rader.

Visitation is 10-11 a.m., Tuesday, June 2, 2015, at King Memorial Home, Mentone.

Burial will be in Mentone Cemetery, Mentone.

Memorial contributions may be made to Association of Baptists for World Evangelism P.O. Box 8585 Harrisburg PA 17105-8585.

Share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

Tuesday, June 2, 2015

### **Robert Wayne Smith**

Jan. 7, 1931 - May 30, 2015

Mr. Robert Wayne SMITH, 84, of Leiters Ford, passed away at 8:40 a.m. Saturday, May 30, 2015, at Community Howard Regional Health, Kokomo.

On Jan. 7, 1931, Bob was born near Leiters Ford to Grover and Chloe Ball Smith. Growing up, he shared his childhood with three brothers and two sisters. With great pride, he graduated from Leiter's Ford High School in 1949.

Soon after high school patriotism beckoned and Bob answered the call, enlisting with the U.S. Navy. He served three stints of service with the elite Seabees, the U.S. Navy construction battalion.

On Feb. 15, 1952, Bob married the love of his life, Barbara Thomas Smith, who later became his honey and best friend. Together, they shared more than 63 years of life's adventures. From their union came three handsome sons, Daniel, Alan and Paul. Over the years, the family tree grew with the added blessings of three more generations.

Following graduation, Bob was employed at Allis Chalmers for two years. He later worked at Uniroyal in Mishawaka for 36 years, retiring early in 1988. While a resident of South Bend, he and Barbara lived on Mayflower Road. They were members of the Assumption Prairie United Methodist Church, returning to Leiter's Ford following his retirement.

A devoted member of the Leiter's Ford United Methodist Church, Bob was also a member of the Monterey men's prayer group and the Leiter's Ford Lion's Club. For two decades, he and Barbara enjoyed spending their winters at Villa Del Sol, Avon Park, Fla.

As the proud patriarch of the Smith family, Grandpa Bob was proud to oversee five generations. He looked forward to the holidays and special family celebrations throughout the year.

Left to cherish Bob's memory are his wife, Barbara; three sons, Daniel Lee Smith and wife Mary Jo, of Mishawaka, Robert Alan Smith, of Houston, and Paul Wayne Smith and wife Betsy, of Rock Hill, S.C.; six grandchildren, Dawn Feece, Deann Lanz and husband Sebastian, Jeffrey Smith and wife Ashley, Kelly Hayes and husband Jimmy, Jacob Smith and Brooke Smith; nine great-grandchildren, Sydney, Shelly, Alex, Max, Wyatt, Jenna, Olivia, Zachary and Carter; two great-great-grandsons, Logan and Weston; a sister-in-law, Donna Smith; and many nieces and nephews.

Preceding Bob in death are his parents; grandson Rick Pac; two sisters, Marjory House and Marietta Tighe; and three brothers, Hugh Smith, Donald Smith and Francis Smith.

A celebration of the life of Robert Wayne Smith will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, June 3, 2015, at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Pastor Nancy Foster officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. on Wednesday at the funeral home.

Interment will be in the Leiters Ford Cemetery. Military rights will be conducted by the Fulton Honor Guard and the U.S. Navy Military Honors Team.

Memorials may be made to the Leiter's Ford United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 126, Leiters Ford, IN 46945.

Online expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

## **Barbara Jenkins**

May 28, 1939 - May 31, 2015

Barbara JENKINS, 76, of Kewanna, passed away at 5:30 p.m. Sunday, May 31, 2015, in Memorial Hospital of South Bend.

Born May 28, 1939, in Morristown, Tenn., she was the daughter of the late James Luther Hawk and Darcus Ruth (Coakley) Hawk. On Nov. 16, 1985, at the Pisgah Christian Church, Logansport, she married Lonnie Jenkins, who survives.

Barbara was a 1957 graduate of Carmel High School. She retired from Switches/Federal Mogul.

As a member of the Fletchers Lake United Methodist Church, Barbara was active in the church women's circle. She enjoyed quilting, cross-stitching and needlework. Barbara was an excellent cook, and she was known for her specialty dessert, "banana pudding." It was simply the best.

Surviving with her husband are four children, Beth Myers, of Fletchers Lake, Gary (Sharon) Lantz, Sally (Michael) Englert and Steve (Justina) Lantz, all of

Logansport; three stepchildren, John (Kristine) Jenkins, of South Bend, Mark (Alma Rodriguez) Jenkins, of Del Rio, Texas, and Julie Jenkins, of Robbinsville, N.C.; two brothers, Charles Ernest Hawk, of Carmel, and Bill (Ruth) Hawk, of Greenville, Tenn.; one sister, Judy (Bill) Shelburn, of Carmel; 13 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one brother, Donald Hawk, and one step-son, David Jenkins.

A funeral service celebrating the life of Barbara Jenkins will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, June 4, 2015, at Fisher Funeral Chapel, Logansport, with Pastor Dave Sommers officiating.

Visitation hours will be from 4-8 p.m. Wednesday, June 3, 2015, and one hour prior to the service Thursday at the funeral chapel.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or the South Bend Memorial Hospital Foundation.

You may share memories and condolences in her guest book and view her video tribute at [www.fisherfuneralchapel.com](http://www.fisherfuneralchapel.com).

Wednesday, June 3, 2015

### **Sharon L. Oliphant**

Sept. 6, 1946 - May 28, 2015

Sharon L. OLIPHANT, 68, Tippecanoe, passed away Thursday, May 28, 2015, in Cedar City, Utah.

She was born Sept. 6, 1946, in Canadaigua, N.Y., the daughter of Lewis J. and Norma (Wittrup) Thurber Rossborough. On March 30, 1999, in Rowley, Iowa, she married Wendell Oliphant, and he survives.

Mrs. Oliphant was serving as a transport driver for Indiana Transport, delivering recreational vehicles across the country. Earlier in life, she worked for many years as an over-the-road truck driver, having driven in 48 states as well as Canada and Mexico and enjoying more than 35 years of accident-free driving. She also worked as a dispatcher for Triple S Transportation in Tippecanoe.

Survivors include her husband, Wendell Oliphant, Tippecanoe; children Betty Morrical, Melbourne, Fla., Donna and husband Warren Dustin, Malabar, Fla., Richard Buchholz and husband Robert Caires, Bremerton, Wash., Cindy and husband Michael Laabs, Rochester, and Leanne Marriott, Titusville, Fla.; stepchildren Garrett and wife Linda Oliphant, Rowley, Iowa, and Darren and wife Tabitha Dustin, Juneau, Wis. and four additional stepchildren; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren; sister Eula and husband David Cantatore, Rochester, N.Y.; brothers Don and wife Meredith Rossborough, New York, and Christian Rossborough, Rochester, N.Y.; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Her funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, June 10, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Friends may call from 5-8 p.m. Tuesday, June 9, 2015, and one hour prior to service at the funeral home.

Burial will be in the Oliphant Cemetery, Center Point, Iowa.

Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

Thursday, June 4, 2015

**Richard D. Geller Sr.**

Aug. 19, 1941 - June 2, 2015

Richard D. GELLER Sr., 73, of Monterey, passed away Tuesday, June 2, 2015.

Richard was born Aug. 19, 1941, in Griffith, to Leroy and Reba (Barnett) Geller, both deceased.

Richard was a veteran of the U.S. Army, surviving from 1958-1960. He worked for Sprint Telephone Co. for 31 years and retired in 1997. He was also a volunteer fireman for the Washington Township fire department for 25 years.\

He is survived by his wife of 20 years, Paulette (Striker) Geller; his children, Richard (Dawn) Geller Jr., of Apache Junction, Ariz., Anthony W. (Brenda) Geller, of Knox, Carol S. (Larry) Geller, of Knox, Ann M. Armes, of Knox, Daniel (Amber) Bendt, of Walkerton, Joyce Bendt, of Knox, Kathryn (Chuck) Galbreath, of Knox, and Linda (Jeremy) Brantley, of Walkerton; brothers and sisters Pete (Laura Hall) Geller, of Culver, Nancy Dell, of Macy, William (Lori) Geller, of Culver, and Reba (Dennis) Derryberry, of Akron; nine grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

His funeral service is 11 a.m. CST Friday, June 5, 2015, at the M.C. Smith Funeral Home, 153 E. Washington St., Knox, with visitation from 4-8 p.m. CST today, June 4, 2015, at the funeral home.

**D. Jean Ellis**

D. Jean ELLIS, 86, Akron, died Wednesday at Millers Merry Manor, Warsaw. Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

**Cora L. Powers**

Cora L. POWERS, 61, Rochester, died Wednesday at her residence. Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

**John E. Waltz**

John E. WALTZ, 75, Rochester, died Wednesday at his residence. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

Friday, June 5, 2015

**D. Jean Ellis**

March 6, 1929 - June 3, 2015

D. Jean ELLIS, 86, of Akron, passed away at 9:20 a.m. Wednesday, June 3, 2015, at Millers Merry Manor, Warsaw.



She was born on March 6, 1929, in Rochester, to Estle L. and Mary E. (Nellans) Bryant.

She was married on July 28, 1950, in Valparaiso, to Leroy Ellis, and he preceded her in death on Dec. 7, 1963.

Jean worked at various places in Akron, most recently at the Mini Mart in Akron.

Jean graduated from Akron High School. She was a member of the Akron United Methodist Church, where she enjoyed singing in the choir.

Survivors include her sons, Daniel and wife Doran Ellis, Carmel, and Steve and wife Karla Ellis, Kewanna; five grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Leroy Ellis; sons Tom Ellis and Phillip J. Ellis, sister Betty Landis and brother David L. Bryant.

Her funeral service is 3 p.m. Sunday, June 7, 2015, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Pastor David Eaton officiating.

Visitation is 2-3 p.m. Sunday, June 7, 2015, at Hartzler Funeral Home Akron.

Interment will be in Nichols Cemetery, Akron.

Memorial contributions may be made to Akron United Methodist Church for the stained glass window fund.

Share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Noreen M. Heyde**

March 16, 1963 - June 3, 2015

Noreen M. HEYDE, 52, of Mount Prospect, Ill., was born March 16, 1963, and passed away June 3, 2015, surrounded by her loving family.

Noreen lived in Rochester from 1996-2002, where she was a member of Grace United Methodist Church. She was a master gardener, a Girl Scout troop leader and was a Manitou Mountain captain.

Noreen was the loving mother of Caroline A. Heyde, Blake R. Heyde and Alec E. Heyde; cherished daughter of Helen and the late Earl Mason; dear sister of Alison M. (David) Heyde and Keith (Chris) Mason and fond aunt of Randall Heyde, Mason (Aereka) Heyde, Kevin Mason and Claire Mason. Noreen is also survived by many dear friends.

Visitation will be 3-8 p.m. today, June 5, 2015, at Lauterburg & Oehler Funeral Home, 2000 E. Northwest Highway, Arlington Heights, Ill., and Saturday, June 6, 2015, at St. Raymond De Penafort Church, Elmhurst Road (Route 83) and Lincoln Street, Mount Prospect, Ill., from 9 a.m. until time of funeral Mass at 10 a.m.

Interment will be in All Saints Cemetery, Des Plaines, Ill.

In lieu of flowers, contributions to the Noreen Heyde Trust c/o Lauterburg & Oehler Funeral Home are appreciated. Funeral info, 847-253-5423 or [lauterburgoehler.com](http://lauterburgoehler.com).

**Cora L. Powers**

July 29, 1953 - June 3, 2015

Cora L. POWERS, 61, of Tippecanoe and Rochester, passed away at 1:05 p.m. Wednesday, June 3, 2015, at her residence.

Cora was born July 29, 1953, in Tell City, to Martin and Juanita (Jackson) Bolin. On Dec. 18, 1988, in Springfield, Mass., she was married to Kevin P. Powers, and he survives.

Cora was a homemaker. She was a member of the Bourbon United Pentecostal Church. She was fond of her family and her dog, Polly.

Survivors include her husband, Kevin Powers, Tippecanoe; mother Juanita Merchant, Tarpon Springs, Fla.; daughters Misti and husband Adam Wilkins, Rochester, and Tina Lemire, Brooksville, Fla.; sons Shawn Powers, Texas, Josh Bolin, Warsaw, Justin Powers, Tippecanoe, and K.C. Powers, Tippecanoe; several grandchildren; brothers Orville Bolin, Pierceton, and Raymond Merchant, Florida; and sisters Sondra Straight, Tarpon Springs, Fla., and Krystal Starr Bolin, Texas. She was preceded in death by her father, Martin Bolin, and her brother, Wesley Bolin.

Her funeral service is 11 a.m. Saturday, June 6, 2015, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Pastor Mark Cottrill officiating.

Visitation is 10-11 a.m. Saturday, June 6, 2015, at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to Tupelo Children's Mansion, P.O. Box 167, Tupelo, MS 38802.

Share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

**Larry S. Kotka**

Larry S. KOTKA, 60, died Tuesday.

He is survived by his wife, Pam, and son Chris Blair.

His funeral service is 7 p.m. Monday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver, with visitation two hours prior to the service at the funeral home.

**Mildred J. Patterson**

Mildred J. PATTERSON, 92, formerly of Silver Lake and Florida, died Tuesday, March 17, 2015, in Tennessee.

Survivors include her son, Jim Patterson, Pierceton; daughters Claudia Mornout, Mission, Texas, and Susan Paxton, Sevierville, Tenn.

Her graveside service is 5:30 p.m. Monday at Silver Creek Cemetery.



Saturday, June 6, 2015

**John ‘Jack’ E. Waltz**

March 25, 1940 - June 3, 2015

John “Jack” E. WALTZ, 75, 5567 E. 75 South, Rochester, passed away at 7:05 p.m. Wednesday, June 3, 2015, at his residence.

He was born on March 25, 1940, in Rochester, the son of Merrill D. and Bertha (Hower) Waltz. On June 15, 1958, in Fulton, he married Lelia Ann Waltz. She preceded him in death on April 4, 2012.

Mr. Waltz had been a Millwright Crane Operator for many years. He was a member of the National Rifle Association and was known for his ability to fix about any item. He enjoyed camping, horseback riding and spending time with his family.

Survivors include his children, Kathryn and husband Jim Freel, Mishawaka, Jack Waltz, Hudson, Fla., and Rochester, Kenneth and wife Sherry Waltz, Rochester, Melody and husband Mark Studebaker, Carmel, and Rita Waltz, Claypool; 13 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; brother Doug Waltz, Rochester; sister Susan J. and husband Dee Williams, Rochester; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, brother David Waltz and grandson Sidney Waltz.

No services are scheduled. The family will receive family and friends at Jack’s residence from 2-6 p.m. Sunday, June 7, 2015.

Memorial contributions may be made to the hospice of your choice.

Arrangements are by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

**Charles W. Butler**

Charles W. BUTLER, 93, Claypool, died Wednesday at his daughter’s residence.

Survivors include his daughter, Brenda Meredith, Akron; son Bruce Butler, Sedalia; and three sisters, Betty Timmons, Judy Brown and Phyllis Smith.

His funeral service is 11 a.m. Monday at King Memorial Home, Mentone, with visitation one hour prior to service at the memorial home.

**James E. O’Brien**

James E. O’BRIEN, 91, Rochester, died Friday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

Monday, June 8, 2015

**Robert L. Stocking**

July 10, 1929 - June 6, 2015

Robert L. STOCKING, 85, Rochester, passed away at 2:50 a.m. Saturday, June 6, 2015, at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

He was born on July 10, 1929, in Chicago, the son of Beryle and Etta (Frey) Stocking. On Dec. 23, 1950, in Rochester, he married Diane J. Elin. She preceded him in death on March 9, 2013.

Mr. Stocking worked for Topps Manufacturing, Rochester, for 47 years, having served as senior vice president. He was a U.S. Army veteran of the Korean War and a member of the American Legion, Moose Lodge and Elk's Lodge.

Survivors include his children, Beth and husband Gary Washburn, Rochester, Scott and wife Teri Stocking, Royal Palm Beach, Fla., and Joseph and wife Crystal Stocking, Goose Creek, S.C.; eleven grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, granddaughter Elin Cooke, sisters Viola Dozier and Bea Ryneic and brother, Larry Stocking.

His memorial service is 11 a.m. Thursday, June 11, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Friends may call from 4-7 p.m. Wednesday, and one hour prior to service at the funeral home.

Burial will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery, where a military graveside service will be conducted.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Disabled Veterans of America. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

**Thomas J.R. Ferguson**

Thomas J.R. FERGUSON, 35 days, Akron, died Friday at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne.

Arrangements are pending at Marocco-Rans Funeral Chapel, Logansport.

Tuesday, June 9, 2015

**Thomas Joseph Robert Ferguson**

May 1, 2015 - June 5, 2015

Thomas Joseph Robert FERGUSON, 35 days, passed away unexpectedly on Friday, June 5, 2015, at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Thomas was born on May 1, 2015, in Fort Wayne. He was the son of Jonathan P. Ferguson and Michelle Booth.

He is survived by his parents, Jonathan and Michelle, of Akron; one brother, Jonathan P. Ferguson Jr., of Akron; grandparents Mitchell and Rhonda Booth, of

Logansport, and John and Jeanette Ferguson, of Rochester; and great-grandmothers Mary Kay Rose, of Crothersville, Elvie Suominen, of Elizabethton, Tenn., and Nancy DeYarmon, of La Fontaine.

His funeral service will be at 3 p.m. Wednesday, June 10, 2015, at Marocco-Rans Funeral Chapel, Logansport, with Pastor Tom Anders officiating.

Visitation will be from 1 p.m. to the time of the service on Wednesday.

Burial will follow service at Mount Hope Cemetery Baby Walk.

Please sign the online guest book or leave a condolence for the family at [www.ransfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com).

### **Viola M. Stein**

Viola M. STEIN, 88, Mentone, died Monday at the home of her granddaughter, Kimber Lee, and grandson Kerry Goshert, Mentone.

Survivors include her son, David E. Watrus Jr., El Paso, Texas, Charles B. Watrus, Litchfield, Ohio, Richard A. Watrus, Logan, Ohio, and Nial R. Watrus, Fredericksburg, Va.; and daughters Carolyn L. Bing, Bonita Springs, Fla., and Sherri Albrecht, Naperville, Ill.

Her memorial service is 11 a.m. Friday at Oak Grove Community Church, Winona Lake.

Arrangements are by King Memorial Home, Mentone.

Wednesday, June 10, 2015

### **John L. Reasoner Jr.**

A tree dedication ceremony and military rites for John L. REASONER Jr., 85, Rochester, will be conducted at 2 p.m. Sunday at Geneva Center. He died Jan. 6, 2015.

Thursday, June 11, 2015

### **Bernard H. Simon**

Bernard H. SIMON, 95, Rochester, died Wednesday at Peabody Retirement Community, North Manchester.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

### **Robert J. Beringer**

Robert J. BERINGER, 73, Rochester, and longtime Chicago resident, died Wednesday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.



Friday, June 12, 2015

**Lyle Bennett**

Sept. 17, 1938 - June 10, 2015

Lyle BENNETT, 76, of Lucerne, passed away at 5:01 p.m. Wednesday, June 10, 2015, surrounded by his family.

Born on Sept. 17, 1938, in Charleston, Ill., he was the son of the late Ray “Bud” and Mabel (Huddleston) Bennett. On Oct. 22, 1966, he married Vyllis “Vy” J. Stilwell, and she survives.

He was a U.S. Army veteran.

Lyle retired from Small Parts, Logansport, and he enjoyed taking care of his yard.

Survivors include his wife, Vy Bennett, of Lucerne; children Patricia Ann Mills, of Charleston, Ill., Rob Bennett (Candyce Hartley), of Grass Creek, Jimmie Bennett, of Bicknell, Russell Bennett, of Illinois, Steven Bennett, of Illinois, Peggy Sue Bennett, of Illinois, and Lea Lisa Bennett, of Illinois; brother Terry Bennett, of Charleston, Ill.; and sister Marietta “Hank” Tipsword, of Atlanta. He is also survived by numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

He was also preceded in death by his daughter, Anna Lisa Bennett, and several brothers and sisters.

Per Lyle’s request, there will be no visitation or funeral service.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Royal Center Chapel.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Please sign Lyle’s online guest book or leave a condolence for the Bennett family at [www.ransfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com).

**James ‘Jim’ Edward O’Brien**

May 15, 1924 - June 5, 2015

Jim was born on May 15, 1924, in Cleveland, to James and Elizabeth (Nagle) O’Brien. Jim had three sisters, Elizabeth “Betty” (Al) Weiler, Genevieve “Jean” (Ben) Farmer and Marjorie “Marge” (Irving) Slattery and three brothers, Thomas (Dorothy), Daniel (Rita) and William (Beverly). He married Elizabeth Jane “Betty” McGregor, of Cleveland, at St. Joseph’s Catholic Church in Cleveland on June 5, 1948. She preceded him in death on Dec. 27, 2003. He was also predeceased by his dear friend and traveling companion, Beverly O’Brien, of Aurora, Ohio, in 2007.

He leaves behind five children, four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. His children include Elizabeth Jane “Betsy” O’Brien, of Dublin, Calif., Patricia Ann “Patty” (Miller), of Evansville, Mary Colleen (Carey), of Pasadena, Calif., Terese Marie O’Brien, of Rochester, and David Kevin O’Brien (Chris), of Largo, Fla. His



son, James “Jim” William, preceded him in death. His grandchildren include Justin Michael Miller (Alisha), of Lafayette, Jennifer Ann “Jeni” (Scott) Selm, of Evansville, Kathryn Colleen “Katie” Carey, of Eugene, Ore., and MaryAnne Carey, of Knoxville, Tenn. His great-grandchildren include Arianna Jayne McKee, Layney Nicole Miller, Caiden Michael Miller, Makenna Ann Selm and Aubrey Hope Selm.

Jim was a graduate of St. Aloysius Elementary School, Cathedral Latin and Collinwood high schools in Cleveland. Prior to America’s involvement in World War II, he attended New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology in Socorro, N.M., and Texas Tech University in Lubbock, Texas. He studied civil engineering and aviation. He was a member of the 42nd Infantry Division in WWII. He was awarded the Bronze Star Medal and Combat Infantry Badge. After the war, he proceeded to take advantage of the GI Bill and studied at Fenn College (now Case) of Applied Science in Cleveland.

Jim was employed by Bowman Products Inc., of Cleveland, which later became the Bowman Division of The Barnes Group. He was assigned to the Indiana and southern Illinois/northern Missouri territory. He moved to Rochester with Bowman in 1951, with his daughters, Betsy and Patty, and the remaining children were born there. During his time with Bowman, he was promoted to regional manager. In 1979, he formed Eljay and Associates, an industrial supply company, a division of O’Brien Group Inc. and remained active in his business until 2008. In 2012, he moved to Wynnfield Retirement Community in Rochester and passed away while in residency there.

He was a member of St. Joseph’s Catholic Church, The Rochester Elks and Moose fraternal lodges as well as the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion. He was formerly a member of Wabash Country Club, Plymouth Country Club and Walden Golf and Country Club in Aurora, Ohio.

A time of remembrance and reflection will take place at 4:30 p.m. Saturday, July 25, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, 1101 Jefferson St., Rochester, IN. 46975. Visitation will take place from 2-4:30 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the USO, VFW and Catholic Charities.

### **Bernard H. Simon**

Bernard H. SIMON, 95, Rochester, died Wednesday at Peabody Retirement Community, North Manchester.

A graveside service is to be at 10 a.m. Monday at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Arrangements are by Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Saturday, June 13, 2015

**Bernard Harry Simon**

May 5, 1920 - June 10, 2015

Mr. Bernard Harry SIMON, 95, of Rochester, passed away at 9:53 a.m. Wednesday, June 10, 2015, at Peabody Retirement Community, North Manchester.

On May 5, 1920, Bernard was born in Chicago, the treasured son of Harry and Rose Mary Zalud Simon.

Answering the call to patriotism, Bernard joined the U.S. Navy. His first stint was from 1938-1941. He served as a hospital apprentice first class and was honorably discharged. Re-enlisting in 1942, he was discharged in 1943 due to an injury causing a physical disability.

Mr. Simon taught in the inner city schools of Indianapolis for 10 years. He continued his passion and life dream in Chicago for 25 years. After retiring from teaching, he made Rochester his home.

Bernard enjoyed visiting with his veteran friends and his many friends at the library. They will miss him and the good times they shared. Preceding Bernard in death are his parents and his fiancée, who was killed in an automobile accident by a drunk driver.

A graveside service celebrating the life of Bernard Harry Simon is to be at 10 a.m. Monday, June 15, 2015, at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery, with Chaplain Charlie Azbell officiating. Military honors will be accorded by the Fulton County Honor Guard and the U.S. Navy Honors Team.

Memorials may be made to the Fulton County Public Library, 320 West Seventh St., Rochester, IN 46975 or the Fulton County DAV Vehicle Fund in care of the Fulton County Auditor, 125 East Ninth St., Rochester, IN 46975.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the Good Family Funeral Home of Rochester.

Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

**Clyde T. Howard**

April 12, 1950 - June 12, 2015

Clyde T. HOWARD, 65, passed away Friday, June 12, 2015, at his home.

Clyde was born April 12, 1950, in Jackson, Ky., to Alonzo and Anna (Miller) Howard. In November 1969, he was married to Donna Howard, who preceded him in death in 2013. He was also preceded in death by his parents, son Thomas Howard, brother Louis Howard and sister Ruby Howard.

Survivors include three children, Steven Howard, of Delong, Stephanie (Billy) Russell, of Leiters Ford, and Katy (Mike) Dunn, of Leiters Ford; three grandchildren, Shawn Russell, Cody Russell and Damian Dunn; four brothers, Jackie (Philys)

Howard, Buck (Terri Holbrook) Howard, Skeeter (Dee) Howard and Shelby (Candy) Howard; and sister Susie (Rick) Clinger.

His funeral service is Tuesday, June 16, 2015, at noon EST at the Gospel Lighthouse Church, Delong.

Burial will follow at the Round Lake Cemetery, Knox.

Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Monday at the Gospel Lighthouse Church, Delong, and one hour prior to the service Tuesday.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given to the family to assist with funeral expenses.

Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel, is handling arrangements.

To leave online condolences, visit [rannellsfuneralhome.com](http://rannellsfuneralhome.com).

Monday, June 15, 2015

### **Margaret A. Williams**

Aug. 10, 1923 – June 14, 2015

Margaret A. WILLIAMS, 91, Rochester, passed away at 3:03 a.m. Sunday, June 14, 2015, at her residence. She was born Aug. 10, 1923, in Pulaski County, to James and Frances (Hibbs) Kasten. On Jan. 8, 1944, in Pulaski County, she was married to Glenn R. Williams, and he survives.

Mrs. Williams had been a homemaker and a member of the Fulton United Methodist Church. In her spare time she enjoyed quilting, gardening, flowers and spending time with her grandchildren.

Survivors include her husband, Glenn R. Williams, Rochester; children Diane Miller, Kokomo, Steve and wife Rebecca Williams, Macy, Beth Doles, Indianapolis; daughter-in-law, Karen Williams, Ramona, Okla.; grandchildren, Chad Williams, Owasso, Okla., Jeremy Williams, Tulsa, Okla., Kyle Doles, Indianapolis, Zachary and wife Stacy Williams, Galveston, Andrew Williams, Monticello, Ark., Daniel and wife Katie Williams, Logansport, Sarah and husband Greg Rockel, Indianapolis; eight great-grandchildren; sister, Carol Chrzan, Winamac; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her son, Dean Williams; grandson, Brent Williams; sister, Mary Smith; brothers Orlyn Kasten and John Kasten.

Mrs. Williams' family will receive friends in her memory at the Fulton Community Building, Fulton, 4-6 p.m. Wednesday, June 17, 2015. Private burial will take place at a later date at Fulton Cemetery, Fulton.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Fulton United Methodist Church or to Premier Hospice. Arrangements are by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Fulton. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

**Aylee N. Foxworth**

June 8, 2015

Tender and sweet, little Miss Aylee Nichole FOXWORTH was surrounded by her loving family when she was born 6:17 p.m. Monday, June 8, 2015, at Logansport Memorial Hospital. She was held lovingly in the arms of her parents, mommy Nichole and daddy Nathan, until she ascended to the Heavens at 7:30 p.m. on the day of her birth.

Aylee Nichole will always be lovingly remembered by her parents who adored her, Nathan W. and Nichole E. Lease Foxworth; two big sisters who cherished her, Nora Evelyn, age 8 and Kinley Noel, age 2; her maternal grandparents who treasured her Matthew and Debra Lease, Rochester; maternal great-grandparents, Howard and Joan Lease, Rochester; and her paternal grandparents William and Patricia Foxworth, Indianapolis.

Precious Aylee Nichole was welcomed to Heaven by her maternal great-grandparents Robert and Betty Dugan and her paternal great-grandparents Katherine and Charles Donegan and Marie Dry.

Private family services will be held. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Good Family Funeral Home of Rochester. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

**Weldon C. Alderfer**

July 1, 1925 – June 13, 2015

Weldon C. ALDERFER, 89, Argos, passed away at 8:33 p.m. Saturday, June 13, 2015, at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Weldon was born on July 1, 1925, in rural Fulton County, to Clarence “Lee” Alderfer and Gertrude Bernice (Fletcher) Alderfer.

He lived in the Argos community all of his life.

He married Wilma Jean Bodey at the Walnut Gospel Church of Walnut on Nov. 11, 1945. She preceded him in death on Dec. 7, 2008. He was also preceded in death by his parents.

Weldon was a farmer and retired from the Marshall County Highway Department. He was a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church of Rochester. He was a graduate of Argos High School with the class of 1943.

Survivors include his son, Roger L. Alderfer and wife Elaine, Greenfield; daughter, Gloria Smith and husband Kenneth, Argos; step granddaughter, Suzette Bergstedt and husband Douglas, Logansport; and four step great-grandchildren.

Friends may visit with the family on Wednesday, June 17, 2015, from 3-7 p.m. at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos. The funeral service will follow the visitation at 7 p.m. at the funeral home.

A private burial will take place at Richland Center Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the donor's choice. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.earlgrossmanfuneral.com](http://www.earlgrossmanfuneral.com). Arrangements have been entrusted to the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home of Argos.

### **Nancy Betcher**

Nancy BETCHER, 74, Rochester, died Sunday at the Elkhart Hospice House. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Tuesday, June 16, 2015

### **Nancy L. Betcher**

June 24, 1940 – June 14, 2015

Mrs. Nancy L. BETCHER, 74, was surrounded by her loving family when she passed away at 4 p.m. Sunday, June 14, 2015, at Elkhart Hospice House.

On June 24, 1940, Nancy Lou was born in Chicago, a cherished daughter of Fred and Loretta Moderow Randall. Growing up, she shared her childhood with her sister, Shirley. With great pride, she graduated from Calumet High School with the Class of 1957.

Nancy and Gordon L. Betcher were married on Aug. 8, 1959, in Chicago. Sadly, Gordon passed away on Sept. 20, 2011. Their union of 52 years produced two sons, David and Dan. The family tree grew over the years with the addition of eight wonderful grandchildren.

Moving to the north shore of Lake Manitou in 1992, Nancy and Gordon were passionate about the solitude, serenity and the charisma offered by our small town in the country. Together they created a piece of heaven south of Rochester, working the ranch, creating nature's sanctuary for their family and special friends to enjoy. Not far off was another family treasure, an alluring farm, peaceful and simplistic. Nancy and Gordon took great pride in maintaining and improving the land that allowed them to embrace nature while cherishing the country life. Her forte was managing the mowing, granting her the time to unwind.

To relax, Nancy enjoyed the tranquility of still fishing in the sparkling waters of Lake Manitou. Armed with her fiberglass pole and fluorescent bobber, from the boat or the pier in front of her home, Nancy would tantalize the bluegills, bass and crappie. She loved the wildlife that embraced the shoreline. Each evening after dinner it was her ritual to sit on the seawall, feeding the ducks, carp and turtles. Her timing was impeccable, as her friends awaited her arrival.

As the matriarch of the Betcher family, Grandma Nancy was proud to oversee three generations. From her kitchen command post, she enjoyed preparing a feast for her family to enjoy at the holidays and special celebrations. She looked forward to visits and phone calls from her grandchildren. Of utmost importance was finding the

perfect gift for each member of her treasured family. A part of her daily routine was phoning her sister in California. Nancy adored her two sons and was especially proud of the men they have become. Her dedication and devotion to Gordon continued beyond his Earthly days. Their love lasts forever.

Left to cherish Nancy's memory are her two sons, David Betcher and wife Lisa, of Naperville, Ill., and Dan Betcher of Rochester; eight grandchildren, Jennifer Betcher, Daniel Betcher, Katie Betcher, Nicole Betcher, D.J. Vizza, Nicholas Vizza, Kristina Vizza and Tyler Vizza; and a sister, Shirley Krischsieper and husband Hank, of Ridgecrest, Calif.

A celebration of the life of Mrs. Nancy Lou Betcher is to be at 10 a.m. EST on Wednesday, June 17, 2015, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Rev. Bruce Russell officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 5-8 p.m. EST on Tuesday and one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

Interment will be in the Fulton Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Fulton County Cancer Association through the Northern Indiana Community Foundation, 715 Main St., Rochester, IN 46975, and envelopes are available at the funeral home. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to Nancy's family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Norman L. Palmer**

Sept. 30, 1922 – June 12, 2015

Norman L. PALMER, 92, passed away at 6 p.m. Friday, June 12, 2015, at his home in Sparks, Nev.

He was born Sept. 30, 1922, in Tiosa, to the late Oswald Otis and Mable Ruth Shelly Palmer. He married Reba Sidebottom Palmer, and she preceded him in death on Nov. 14, 1994.

Norm was a WWII career veteran, serving as a pilot in the U.S. Air Force.

Norm's second career was working for the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory in California, which he retired from in 1988 and moved to Sparks Nevada.

Norm is survived by five children, five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

His funeral service is 10 a.m. Thursday, June 18, 2015, at Walton's Funeral Home, 1745 Sullivan Lane, Sparks, NV 89431.

Visitation is 6 p.m. Wednesday, June 17, 2015, at the funeral home.

Interment will be at Mountain View Cemetery in Reno, Nev.

### **Larry Pampel**

Dr. Larry PAMPEL, 69, Monticello, passed away Saturday, June 6, 2015, while fly fishing in Bolivia.

He was a lover of life and passionate about his faith, his family, his friends and his community. He was an avid fly fisherman and hunter, loving the stillness and beauty of nature. He especially loved history and learning. Larry served as a dentist in the U.S. Navy, after attending colleges at Ball State and Indiana University and UC Davis in California.

He served as founder and CEO of several businesses. Locally, he owned Pampel & Associates, a registered financial advisory firm where he enjoyed working alongside his son, Eric; and Whyte Horse Winery, where he fulfilled his passions for wine making and farming with his wife, Connie, and his brother, Don. As a general dentist in Demotte, he specialized in surgery and implant dentistry alongside his daughter, Dodi, and their dental team. Focusing on people, their motto was “it’s not about us, it’s about them” – believing they can change the world one smile at a time.

His pride was watching his seven grandchildren, Rachel, Austin, Noah, Siera, Morgan, Emma and Benjamin discover and invent themselves through their individual interests. He loved watching them learn and grow through academics, music, missions and sports. He was their biggest fan.

Larry loved God, life and people anywhere; he was always searching for his next adventure, the new friend he would make along that journey.

He was a proud man, loving his family deeply, including his wife of 49 years, Connie, his daughter, Dr. Dodi (Brad) Woolley and his son, Eric (Kelly) Pampel. His mother, Deloris, and grandparents preceded him in death. His father, Carl Pampel, of Remington, and his brothers, Dr. Terry (Nancy) Pampel, Gulf Shores, Ala., and Don (Denise) Pampel, of Remington, his immediate and extended families remain.

The celebration of his life will be 2-8 p.m. EST Friday, June 19, 2015, at their family farm located at 4524 Chalmers Rd., Monticello. Please dress casually, hunting and fishing attire is always welcome. A Masonic service will be at 7 p.m. EST Friday at the family farm.

His funeral service will be 10 a.m. EST Saturday, June 20, 2015, at the Monticello Methodist Church, with Rev. Wes Brookshire officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service.

Memorial donations may be made to Hearts Connected. Envelopes will be available at the farm, church and funeral home.

Online condolences and expressions of sympathy may be extended at [www.springerfuneralhome.com](http://www.springerfuneralhome.com).

Arrangements are by Springer-Voorhis-Draper Funeral Home, Monticello.

### **Nicholas A. Bart**

Nicholas A. BART, 65, Rochester, died Sunday at his residence.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Donald L. Gunter**

Donald L. GUNTER, 67, Rochester, died Monday at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

Wednesday, June 17, 2015

**Donald Lee Gunter**

March 14, 1948 - June 15, 2015

Donald Lee GUNTER, 67, Rochester, passed away at 11:27 a.m. Monday, June 15, 2015, at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

He was born on March 14, 1948, in Winamac, the son of Clarence and Laura Ellen (Irvin) Gunter. On June 13, 1998, in Rochester, he married Karen Hively. She preceded him in death on April 3, 2009.

Donald worked many years at Rochester Metal Products. He attended Rochester Church of God. He was an avid NASCAR enthusiast, especially Bobby Labonte, and he was a huge Three Stooges fan.

He is survived by his stepchildren, Brenda and husband Keith Ernest, Rochester, Chuck and wife Paula Kline, Fishers, Nick and wife Mindi Kline, Tippecanoe, Angie and husband Dan Johnson, Tina Kline and Crystal Hively, all of Rochester; several stepgrandchildren; sister Nancy and husband Denny Kuritz, Logansport; sister-in-law Shari and husband Terry Burns, Denver; several nieces and nephews; and longtime friends Jim Callaway and Van.

He was preceded in death by his parents and brothers, George Evans, Harold Rawlins and Andrew Gunter.

His funeral service is to be at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, June 20, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with Rev. Larry Pyeatt officiating.

Burial will follow in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Saturday, June 20, 2015, at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Community Resource Center. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

**Thomas J. Shanks**

Thomas J. SHANKS, 79, Rochester, died Tuesday at his residence.

Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.



Thursday, June 18, 2015

**Thomas J. Shanks**

Jan. 8, 1936 - June 16, 2015

Thomas J. SHANKS, 79, Rochester, passed away at 12:50 p.m. Tuesday, June 16, 2015, at his residence.

He was born on Jan. 8, 1936, in Cass County, the son of Willard and Anna (Reno) Shanks. On Sept. 3, 1953, in Lucerne, he married Olive M. Lunsford, and she survives.

Mr. Shanks worked in construction for more than 45 years with McMahon O'Connor and for E&B Paving. He was a veteran of the Korean War serving with the U.S. Air Force. He was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, shooting pool and riding his motorcycle.

Survivors include his wife, Olive M. Shanks, Rochester; daughters Pam and husband Steve Baldwin, Kewanna, Kathy Dunwoody and companion Tom Brown, Logansport, and Laurie and husband Matt Cox, Rochester; 10 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by his sons, Randy Alan Shanks and Tom Shanks, parents, two brothers and four sisters.

Friends may visit from 2-6 p.m. Friday, June 19, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Fulton.

Burial will take place at a later date in Fulton Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Lung Association. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

**Jay A. Horn**

Jay A. HORN, 59, Warsaw, died Monday at Warsaw Meadows.

Survivors include his son, James Horn, Warsaw, and sister Christine Horn, Carmel.

No service is planned at this time.

Arrangements are by King Memorial Home, Mentone.

**Beulah M. See**

Beulah M. SEE, 97, Macy, died Tuesday at Peabody Retirement Community, North Manchester.

Survivors include three children, Beverly L. Kinney, Columbia City, Lawrence E. See, Macy, and Dennis L. See, Macy.

Her funeral service is 10 a.m. Saturday, June 20, 2015, at McClain Funeral Home, Denver, with visitation from 4-8 p.m. Friday, at the funeral home.



**H. Dale Sherwood**

H. Dale SHERWOOD, 59, North Manchester, died Tuesday at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Arrangements are pending at King Memorial Home, Mentone.

Friday, June 19, 2015

No Obituaries

Saturday, June 20, 2015

**Nicholas Anthony Bart**

May 5, 1950 – June 14, 2015

Mr. Nicholas Anthony BART, 65, of Rochester, passed away at 5:15 p.m. Sunday, June 14, 2015, at his residence.

On May 5, 1950, Nicholas was born in Oconto Falls, Wis., the treasured son of Charles Nicholas and Grace Loretta Ballachino Bart. In 1968, he graduated from Arrowhead High School in Heartland, Wis., with the rest of his class. Following high school, he furthered his education of achieving his life dream of becoming a teacher at Mount St. Paul's College, where he earned a bachelor's degree in secondary education with a major in English.

As a sales department manager for Menards, Nicholas moved to Indiana after working in Wisconsin and accepting a transfer and promotion to the Menards locations in northwest Indiana. Following his retirement, he settled in Rochester where he could enjoy golf and boating. To kick back and relax, Nicholas enjoyed cruising the sparkling waters of Lake Manitou with his cherished canine companion, Bella. Always at his side, whether it was on land or over the waters, Bella was always there.

Nicholas is lovingly remembered by his companion, Danae' Bendel; children Farrah N. Mason and husband Matthew, of Lansing, Ill., Lena D. Clouse and husband Bryon, of Cedar Lake, and Anthony C. Bart, of Valparaiso; five grandchildren, Sophia, Norrah, Aubrey, Brock and Drew; the mother of his children, Judy K. Marion; and his canine companion, Bella, a yellow Lab.

Preceding Nicholas in death are his parents.

A private family service will be conducted.

The Good Family Funeral Home has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Online expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

**H. Dale Sherwood**

March 9, 1956 - June 16, 2015

H. Dale SHERWOOD, 59, of North Manchester, died at 11 p.m. Tuesday, June 16, 2015, at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

He was born on March 9, 1956, in Salem, Ohio, the son of William and Josephine Phyllis (Trexler) Sherwood. He married Pamela Eileen Utter, and she survives.

He was a farmer and worked for Guardian-Carlex Glass, Ligonier. He enjoyed working with animals and trail riding.

Survivors include his wife, Pamela Sherwood, Rochester; daughter Amber Powers, South Whitley; sons Scott Powers, Pierceton, and Joshua Powers, Rochester; brothers William Sherwood, Newton Falls, Ohio, and Jim Sherwood, Barrington, N.H.; and sisters Charlene Flynn, Stockton, Calif., and Sandra Dunn, Bradenton, Fla.

No visitation or service will be conducted.

Arrangements have been entrusted to King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone.

Share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

**Barbara J. Clark**

Barbara J. CLARK, 80, Rochester, died Friday at Hickory Creek, Rochester.

Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Harold Hamilton**

Harold HAMILTON, 66, Rochester, died Friday at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, South Bend.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Monday, June 22, 2015

**Harold Gene Hamilton**

Sept. 29, 1948 - June 19, 2015

Harold Gene HAMILTON, 66, of Rochester, was surrounded by his loving family when he passed away Friday, June 19, 2015, at the St. Joseph Regional Medical Center in Mishawaka.

Born on Sept. 29, 1948, in Newport, Ark., Harold Gene was the treasured son of Harold Ivan and Maxine Worsham Hamilton. Growing up, he shared his childhood with a sister, Patricia, and a brother, Charles. At the age of 2, his family moved from Arkansas to Bremen. With great Lancer pride, Harold graduated with the first class to graduate from LaVille High School in 1966.

Following high school, patriotism beckoned, and Harold answered the call, serving our country with the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War.

In Plymouth on July 20, 1970, Harold married the love of his life and best friend, Delores Fleck Hamilton. Together they shared nearly 45 years of life's adventures and from their union came three wonderful children, Christine, Rebecca and Adam. The family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of eight grandchildren.

A successful 25-year career in the financial industry, Harold worked for Local Finance at branches in Plymouth, La Porte, Valparaiso, Merrillville and Rochester. For 13 years, he was associated with 1st Source Bank in Plymouth. Most recently he enjoyed employment as a professional truck driver with Big G Express, traveling around America's heartland. Some of his stints involved traveling to Texas. He retired on May 15, 2015, due to declining health. To relax, Harold enjoyed the game of golf. He especially enjoyed the challenges of Mystic Hills and the great courses at Myrtle Beach.

Left to cherish Harold's memory are his loving wife, Delores, at home; two daughters, Christine Hamilton, of Denver, and Rebecca Hassenplug and husband Brad, of Kewanna; a son, Adam Hamilton and wife Marsha, of Mishawaka; eight grandchildren, Tyler Foote, Denver Foote, Jordan Hollar, Dylan Hollar, Melanie Hollar, Ethan Hassenplug, Eli Hamilton and Evan Hamilton; and a brother, Charles Hamilton, of Rochester.

Preceding him in death are his parents and a sister, Patricia Maenhout.

A celebration of the life of Mr. Harold Gene Hamilton will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, June 23, 2015, at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with Pastor Jim Dillinger officiating.

Friends may visit with his family from 4-8 p.m. Monday, June 22, 2015, and an hour prior to the service Tuesday.

Burial will follow at the New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Military rites will be accorded by the Fulton County Military Honor Guard and the U.S. Army Honor's Team at the funeral home.

Memorials may be directed to the Fulton County Cancer Fund through the Northern Indiana Community Foundation, 715 Main St., Rochester, IN 46975.

Expressions of sympathy can be made to Harold's family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Barbara J. Clark**

Dec. 1, 1934 - June 19, 2015

Barbara J. CLARK, 80, Rochester, passed away at 5:13 p.m. Friday, June 19, 2015, at Hickory Creek, Rochester.\

She was born on Dec. 1, 1934, in Rochester, the daughter of Chester E. and Hulda A. (Gilliland) McCalla. On Sept. 29, 1951, in Rochester, she married Jack Lee Clark. He preceded her in death on Nov. 2, 1966.

Mrs. Clark was a homemaker. She enjoyed camping, fishing, shopping and bingo. She also loved to have coffee with her friends and family.

Survivors include her daughters, Janet Oden, Fountain, Colo., and Pam and husband Angelo Mantijo, Philadelphia; sons Jack L. and wife Sandra Clark, Rochester, Mike and wife Cindy Clark, Fulton, Steven and wife Darlene Clark, Mountain Pass, Ark., Mark Clark, Logansport, and Brian Clark, Rochester; grandchildren John R. and wife Brandi Clark, Indianapolis, Jack and wife Bethany Clark Jr., Rochester, James Clark, Rochester, Matthew Clark, Rochester, Michelle R. Oden, Jacksonville, Fla., Ryan Clark, Fulton, Christopher Brown, San Diego, Aaron Brown, San Diego, Amber and husband Junior Strain, Concord, Ark., Tomika Conley, Conway, Ark., and Anthony Conley, Mountain Pass, Ark.; 11 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by five brothers and five sisters.

Her funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, June 24, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

Friends may call from 9-11 a.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

Burial will take place in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimemrmanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimemrmanbrosfh.com).

### **Rhea E. Pryor**

Rhea E. PRYOR, 84, formerly of Lake Manitou, died Saturday at Wynnfield Crossing, Rochester.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Tuesday, June 23, 2015

### **Taylor Q. Marrs**

Taylor Q. MARRS, 19, Rochester, died Monday as a result of an automobile accident in Carroll County.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Wednesday, June 24, 2015

### **Rhea E. Dollens Pryor**

Oct. 30, 1930 - June 20, 2015

Former Lake Manitou resident Mrs. Rhea E. Dollens PRYOR, 84, passed away unexpectedly on Saturday, June 20, 2015, at Wynnfield Crossing, Rochester, where she had resided since 2013.

Born on Oct. 30, 1930, in Peru, Rhea Elizabeth was a cherished daughter of Harry and Beulah Tyner Dollens. Growing up as the youngest of six children, she shared her childhood with a brother, Paul, and four sisters, Peggy, Armetia, Dora and Bonnie. Her big sisters showered her with gifts, following their graduations from nursing school while they were working in the nursing profession. In 1948, with great Tiger pride, she graduated from Peru High School. Signing her last report card was her new husband, John.

On April 16, 1948, high school sweethearts John Pryor and Rhea Dollens were married at the Christian Church of Peru by Rev. Jackson. Their union of nearly 65 years produced three wonderful children, Carol Ann, Pam and “J.D.” Over the years, the added blessings of two more generations were added to the family tree.

A proud matriarch of four generations, Rhea adored her children and grandchildren. In the early years, John and Rhea enjoyed floating across the dance floors of the Colonial and Elk’s as they danced to the big band music of Glenn Miller and Tuxedo Junction, to name a few. As an active mother, Rhea was always seated as the observer while John was at the helm of the Rinker – pulling the kids around Lake Manitou as they skied as members of the ski club. Together they enjoyed pontooning and watching the sunset over the still waters.

At home, from her kitchen command post, Grandma Rhea enjoyed cooking and baking for the holidays and special family celebrations. In demand were her mac and cheese and cauliflower salad. The holidays brought on requests for crescent cookies and chocolate, walnut or peanut butter Christmas fudge. She took great pride in planting colorful gardens that enhanced their home’s landscape nestled on the shore of Lake Manitou. She was recognized by the Garden Club as gardener of the month for the gardens around her home.

Left to cherish Rhea’s memory are two daughters, Carol Ann Amend and husband Greg, of Mason, Ohio, and Pam Jones and husband Charles, of Rochester; a son, John “J.D.” Pryor and partner Doug Werner, of Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; 10 grandchildren, John Clark and wife Sherri, Jim Clark and wife Megan, Jennifer Mayleben and husband Eric, Joey Clark and wife Rebecca, Lindsay Amend, Derrick Amend and wife Carmen, Elizabeth Rentschler and husband Scott, Aaron Jones and wife Courtney, Korby Jones, and Andrea Howdeshell and husband Scot; 17 great-grandchildren, Jamie, Josie, Jenna, Hayden, Cole, Mariah, Kailynn, Sara and Tommy Clark, Tierney and Tori Rentschler, Olivia Powell, Taylor Jones, Emma and Mia Howdeshell and Natalie and Olivia Mayleben; a sister, Margaret “Peggy” Barnett and husband Barney, Bend, Ore.; two sisters-in-law, Janet Kassebaum and husband John, of Carmel, and Terri Pryor, of French Lick; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Preceding her in death are her parents; her husband, John, on Dec. 21, 2012; a brother Paul Dollens; three sisters, Armetia Meyer, Dora Nedrow and Bonnie Wilson; and a son-in-law, Tom Clark.

A celebration of the life of Mrs. Rhea E. Dollens Pryor will be conducted at 2 p.m. Thursday, June 25, 2015, at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Pastor Jim Clark officiating.

Friends may visit with her family from noon until the hour of the service.

Burial will follow at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery where she will be laid to rest next to her beloved husband, John.

Online expressions of sympathy may be made to Rhea's family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Shirley L. McVey**

April 9, 1927 - June 21, 2015

Shirley L. McVEY, 88, of Pittsboro, and formerly of Mentone, died at 5:40 a.m. Sunday, June 21, 2015, at Brownsburg Health Care.

She was born on April 9, 1927, in South Kingstown, Wakefield Village, R.I., to Ziba and Marian (Phillips) Young.

On June 3, 1955, in North Kingstown, R.I., she married Rev. Norman McVey, and he survives.

She worked for the U.S. Post Office in Saunderstown, R.I., and she was a homemaker.

Shirley was a graduate of North Kingstown High School in Rhode Island. She and her husband lived in Mentone when he was the pastor of the First Baptist Church. She was a member of the Pittsboro Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Rev. Norman McVey, Pittsboro; daughter Brenda and husband David Letcher, Osceola; son David and wife Mary McVey, Spring Hill, Tenn.; and grandchildren Danielle Brinkerhoff, Elizabeth McVey and Lt. Nathan and wife Brooke McVey.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Ziba and Marian Young; her sisters, Barbara Williams and twin Anita Young; and her brother, Rev. Edwin O. Young.

Her funeral service is 11 a.m. Saturday, June 27, 2015, at First Baptist Church of Mentone, 206 S. Oak St., with Rev. George Shoemaker and Pastor Michael Wilhite officiating.

Visitation is 10-11 a.m. Saturday, June 27, 2015.

Burial will follow in the Mentone Cemetery.

Arrangements have been entrusted to King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone.

Memorial contributions may be made to the First Baptist Church of Mentone. Share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).





**Brenda Joyce Bradley**

April 1, 1951 - June 23, 2015

Brenda Joyce BRADLEY, 64, Rochester, passed away at 10:33 a.m. Tuesday, June 23, 2015, at her niece Sheila Robinson's home in Rochester.

She was born on April 1, 1951, in Prestonsburg, Ky., the daughter of Luther and Beatrice (Powers) Shell. On Sept. 5, 1997, in Talma, she married Lawrence Lee Bradley. He preceded her in death on Oct. 19, 2014.

She worked for Gift Wrap International, Rochester, for many years. She enjoyed watching soap operas, rarely missing an episode. She also watched "The Price Is Right" and "Let's Make A Deal."

Survivors include her children, Mary, and husband Bruce Scott, Rochester, Susan Holland, Sandy Hook, Ky., James Allen Holland, Salyersville, Ky., and Robert Holland, Salyersville, Ky.; grandchildren Carla Conrad, Kokomo, David Scott, Rochester, Mattie Roxanne Holland and Johnnie Holland, both of Sandy Hook, Ky., Kayla Holland, Louis Salyers, Tasha Salyers, Allen Salyers, Ashley Salyers and Alexandra Holland, all of Salyersville, Ky.; great-grandchildren Nikolai Conrad and Yuri Conrad, both of Kokomo; brothers Patrick James and wife Connie Shell, Milton, Ky., Jack and wife Joyce Shell, Prestonsburg, Ky., Robert "Junebug" Shell and companion Edie Jones, Jacksonville, Fla., and Steve Shell, Milton, Ky.; and sisters Virginia Freeman and Katrina Cantrell, both of Jacksonville, Fla.

She was preceded in death by her parents, sister Gladys Daniel and brother Gregory Shell.

No service is to be observed.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Brenda Bradley Memorial Fund.

Arrangements are by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://zimmermanbrosfh.com).

**Taylor Q. Marrs**

Taylor Q. MARRS, 19, Rochester, died Monday as a result of an automobile accident in Carroll County.

Survivors include her parents, Mindy Marrs and John Marrs, and a brother, Teagan Marrs.

Her funeral service is 10 a.m. Saturday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation from 4-8 p.m. Friday and one hour prior to the service at the funeral home Saturday.

Thursday, June 25, 2014

**Taylor Quinn Marrs**

Jan. 21, 1996 - June 22, 2015

Taylor Quinn MARRS, 19, Rochester, passed away early Monday morning June 22, 2015, from injuries incurred in an automobile accident in Carroll County.

On January 21, 1996, in Peru, Taylor was born the treasured daughter of John Marrs and Mindy Lahman Marrs. She shared her childhood as the big sister to her brother Teagan. With great pride she graduated from Rochester High School with the class of 2014. Taylor had just completed her freshman year at the Art Institute of Indianapolis. With the special gift of a creative eye, she was pursuing a career in the arts with emphasis on professional photography.

Currently Taylor was a server at Cracker Barrel Old Country Store and Starbucks. Previously she had worked at Moonlight Wine and Dine and Marshall Electric.

For more than eight years as a youngster, Taylor enjoyed competing as a member of Jana's Gymnasts. Her fort was floor exercise. During Taylor's high school years she was a member of the Lady Zebras swim team. She recently completed her 4-H tenure with the Woodrow Peppers. An avid reader, Taylor enjoyed many genres. She was also an accomplished scrapbooker. To relax, Taylor enjoyed the hip hop music of Hoodie Allen. She had seen him in concert many times.

Left to cherish Taylor's memory are her parents, Mindy Marrs, John Marrs and companion Ashley Heinzmann; a brother, Teagan Marrs and her two little buddies who she looked upon as sisters, Avarie and Aisley Montel; maternal grandmother Marcia Lahman and paternal grandparents Marty Walters, Tom Marrs, all of Rochester; great-grandmother Hannah Marrs; aunts Caryle Andrea Marrs, Laura Black; uncles Ryan Lahman and wife Lori, Jim Marrs and wife Amy, Mike Marrs and wife Alysha, Thomas Richard Marrs, and Connor Allen Marrs.

Preceding Taylor in death are her grandfathers, Leslie "Frog" Walters and Mick Lahman; and great-grandparents Lois Mallock, Don and Lorine Morgan, Oscar and Katherine (Zimpleman) Lahman.

A celebration of the life of Miss Taylor Quinn Marrs will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 27 in the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 West 18th St., Rochester with Dr. Mark Spencer officiating. Burial will follow in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Friends may visit with the family from 4-8 p.m. Friday and one hour prior to the service in the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the Taylor Quinn Marrs Scholarship through the Northern Indiana Community Foundation 715 Main St., Rochester, IN 46975. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com)

Friday, June 26, 2015

**Donald Frounfelter**

Donald FROUNFELTER, 88, Rochester, died Thursday at Woodlawn Hospital. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

Saturday, June 27, 2015

**Lloyd Freeman DePue**

Lloyd F. DePUE, 71, 1170 S. Woodlawn Drive, Winamac, died at 2:46 p.m. Thursday, at Pulaski Memorial Hospital, Winamac.

Survivors include his wife, Karla, at home; daughter Carli DePue, Indianapolis; sons Beau, Winamac, and Kristian, Winona Lake; sisters Marjorie Davis, Crossville, Tenn., Lena Tomforde, Boca Raton, Fla.; brothers John L, Argos, and Lawrence, Buchanan, Mich. Graveside services will be at 11:30 a.m. Monday at Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos. Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos, is handling arrangements.

**Kline Don Reed**

June 29, 1926 - June 25, 2015

Kline Don REED, died June 25, 2015, in Bradenton, Fla.

Don was born in Fulton County and grew up in Rochester, where he played high school basketball and went on to play at Indiana University.

He married his high school sweetheart, Gerry Schafer, on Dec. 15 1946. They were happily married for 68 years.

Don worked for Armour Meat Corporation 35 years and moved all over the country holding a variety of positions in the company. His vast knowledge of the meat packing business lead to his important position as vice president and general manager of the ConAgra Distribution Company. In his retirement he enjoyed life on the shores of Lake Michigan and in the golf course community of Bradenton.

He is survived by his wife, Gerry Reed; daughters Pat Lurtsema, Pam Castor; and Debby (Reed) Howard; sons in law, Tom Lurtsema and Richard Howard; six grandchildren, Karie, Kelly, Justin, Andrew, Paige and TJ; and eight great-grandchildren, Taylor, Lauren, Sierra, Haley, Hunter, Isabella,, Adriana, and Otis Kline.

Memorials may be given to the Salvation Army, P.O. Box 1988, Bradenton, FL, 34206 or Braden River Presbyterian Church, 5150 Peridia Blvd E, Bradenton, FL, 34203.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.



Monday, June 29, 2015

**Allen James Russell**

Aug. 15, 1993 - June 23, 2015

Allen James RUSSELL, 21, entered into eternal life on Tuesday, June 23, 2015, on Kitsap Naval Base Bangor in Silverdale, Washington.

His spirit is carried on through his wife Emily, son Parker, parents Bruce and Beth, two sisters Danielle (Rusty) McGrew and Sara (Blair) Zimmerman, one brother Caleb (Julie) Russell, three nephews, seven nieces, many aunts, uncles, cousins, and many beloved friends especially the boys from the DSG.

Born on August 15, 1993, in Aracaju, Sergipe, Brazil, he grew into a wonderful young man through the love and devotion of his family. Allen was a 2012 graduate of Caston High School. Utilizing his strengths, agility, and strong-hearted personality he joined the world's greatest Navy. Although the time was short his impact will be long, touching many lives in his 21 years.

Visitation will be from 2-8 p.m. Wednesday, July 1, 2015, at the Fulton Baptist Temple.

The funeral will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, July 2, 2015, at the Fulton Baptist Temple with Pastor Bruce Russell officiating.

Memorials may be made to the Fulton Baptist Temple for the future establishment of a junior sports camp sponsorship in Allen's name.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the Gundrum Funeral Home.

You may sign the guest book and send online condolences to the family at [www.gundrumcares.com](http://www.gundrumcares.com)

**Theodore Gerst**

Lt. Col. Theodore "Ted" GERST, USAF (retired), 82. Rochester, died at 12:55 a.m. Sunday, June 28, 2015, in St. Joseph Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Tuesday, June 30, 2015

**Donald L. Frounfelter**

Aug. 17, 1926 - June 25, 2015

Mr. Donald L. FROUNFELTER, 88, Rochester, passed away at 4:25 p.m., Thursday, June 25, 2015, at Woodlawn Hospital.

On August 17, 1926, Don was born in Martinsville to Efra and Anna Buis Frounfelter. He was the youngest of four sons. Don grew up in Morgantown on a farm outside Martinsville. He graduated from Martinsville High School in 1944. As a member of the U.S. Army Air Corps, he served in the South Pacific during WWII. When Don returned home, he attended Indiana University, graduating with a

bachelor's of science degree in business in 1950. He worked for J.C. Penney, Pollack Paper and Sonoco Paper Products. After 30 years, he retired from Sonoco as district sales manager in 1986.

Don and Barbara Bain were married on Dec. 24, 1948, in Spencer. They shared 65 years of marriage before she preceded him in death Jan. 15, 2014. Don is also preceded in death by his parents, son William H. Frounfelter on Sept. 4, 2001, and three brothers.

Don is lovingly remembered by two daughters: Sarah Lee and husband Mike, Amherst, Ohio, Donalee Frounfelter, Wildwood, Ill.; two sons, Dr. Jim Frounfelter and wife Patti, Ishpeming, Mich., and Dr. D.J. Frounfelter and wife Lori, Rochester; nine grandchildren, Nate Lee and wife Christine, Lakewood, Ohio, Dr. Aaron Lee and wife Dr. Meghan, Downers Grove, Ill., Mike Lee and wife Keisa, Columbus, Ohio, James Frounfelter and wife Suzanne, Seattle, Wash., Molly Frounfelter and husband Dr. Jeremy Michelak, Pittsburgh, Pa., Dr. Bill Frounfelter and wife Ashley, Rochester, Dr. Adam Frounfelter and wife Dr. Allie, Evansville, Dr. Tyler Frounfelter and wife Martha, Evansville, Kelsey House and husband Mark, Rochester; and 15 great-grandchildren.

Private family services will be held. Interment will be in the Mt. Gilead Cemetery of Martinsville.

Memorials in Don's name may be made to Indiana University Foundation, 340 W. Michigan St., Indianapolis, IN 46202.

Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Mildred M. Engle**

Dec. 22, 1925 - June 28, 2015

Mildred M. ENGLE, 89, Greenwood, formerly of Kewanna, passed away peacefully at 6 p.m., Sunday, June 28, 2015, at St. Francis Hospital in Indianapolis.

Born on Dec. 22, 1925 in Fulton County, she was the daughter of the late Edward and Huldah (Campbell) Easterday. She was a 1944 Grass Creek High School graduate.

On November 4, 1950 she married Marvin Engle. He preceded her in death on February 27, 2011.

Mildred formerly worked at RBM in Logansport for several years and she was a homemaker. She was a member of Kewanna Church of Christ and the Order of Eastern Star.

Survivors include: her daughter, Kathryn "Kathy" Perkins (John) of Greenwood; grandchildren Kayla Perkins of Greenwood, Jessica Sanders (Kenny) of Greenwood, Justin Decker (Debbie) of Bloomfield, Carry Lucy (Samuel) and Robert Troutman (Kristina), both of Virginia; step-grandchild LJ Perkins; great-grandchildren

Ashley and Abbie Sanders, Aiden Lucy and Saige Muelver, Savannah and Sierra Troutman; and step-great grandchild Jalee Perkins.

She was also preceded in death by her daughter, Karen Marie Lawson, brother Leslie Eugene Easterday and sister Betty McVay.

Her funeral service is 10:30 a.m., Thursday, July 2, 2015 at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna, with Pastor Aaron McCombs officiating.

Visitation will be from 4-8 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home and also one hour prior to the time of service on Thursday.

Burial will be at Citizens I.O.O.F. Cemetery in Kewanna.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Kewanna Church of Christ.

You may sign the guest book and send online condolences to the family at [www.ransfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com).

Wednesday, July 1, 2015

### **Mildred M. Engle**

Dec. 22, 1925 – June 28, 2015

Mildred M. ENGLE, 89, of Greenwood, formerly of Kewanna, passed away peacefully at 6 p.m. Sunday, June 28, 2015, at St. Francis Hospital in Indianapolis. Born on Dec. 22, 1925, in Fulton County, she was the daughter of the late Edward and Huldah (Campbell) Easterday. She was a 1944 Grass Creek High School graduate.

On Nov. 4, 1950, she married Marvin Engle. He preceded her in death on Feb. 27, 2011.

Mildred formerly worked at RBM Corp. in Logansport for several years, and she was a homemaker.

She was a member of the Kewanna Church of Christ and the Order of Eastern Star.

Survivors include her daughter, Kathryn “Kathy” Perkins (John), of Greenwood; grandchildren Kayla Perkins and Jessica Sanders (Kenny), both of Greenwood, Justin Decker (Debbie), of Bloomfield, Carrie Lucy (Samuel) and Robert Troutman (Kristina), both of Virginia; stepgrandchild L.J. Perkins; great-grandchildren Ashley and Abbie Sanders, Aiden Lucy and Saige Muelver, Savannah and Sierra Troutman; and step-great-grandchild Jalee Perkins.

She was also preceded in death by her daughter, Karen Marie Lawson, brother Leslie Eugene Easterday and sister Betty McVay.

Her funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Thursday, July 2, 2015, at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna, with Pastor Aaron McCombs officiating.

Visitation is 4-8 p.m. today at the funeral home and one hour prior to the time of service on Thursday.

Burial will be at Citizens IOOF Cemetery in Kewanna.



Memorial contributions may be made to the Kewanna Church of Christ.

Please sign the online guest book or leave a condolence for the family at [www.ransfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com).

**Lt. Col. Theodore ‘Ted’ Gerst**

Feb. 19, 1933 - June 28, 2015

Lt. Col. Theodore “Ted” GERST, U.S. Air Force (retired), 82. of Rochester, formerly of Logansport, died at 12:55 a.m. Sunday, June 28, 2015, at St. Joseph Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Born Feb. 19, 1933, in Logansport, he was the son of the late J. Samuel and Elinor R. (Block) Gerst.

A 1950 graduate of Logansport High School, Ted received a principal appointment to the U.S. Naval Academy from Congressman Charles Halleck. He graduated from the USNA in June 1954. Upon graduation, he was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force, entered pilot training and received his pilot’s wings in 1955. He completed navigator-bombardier training for pilots in 1956 and served in the Strategic Air Command, flying B-45 medium bombers as an aircraft commander and co-pilot until 1964.

In 1966, he received a Master of Science in Aerospace Engineering from Auburn University. From 1966-1972, he served as the systems engineering program manager for re-entry vehicles and special weapons at Kelly Air Force Base in Texas.

While stationed in San Antonio, Ted met and married F. Alice Mann Andrews Gerst. She preceded him in death on May 28, 2003, after 35 years of marriage.

In 1973, Ted was assigned to the stall/spin advanced development program (Flight Dynamics Lab) at the Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Ohio. While there, he completed his Air Force career in the air-launched cruise missile program, carrier equipment (B-1 and B-152).

From 1977-1995, Ted was employed as a senior engineer for Vitro Corp. in Rockville, Md., specializing in the Aegis Combat System and ship test and evaluation for the Arleigh Burke (DDG-51) guided missile destroyer program.

Upon his second retirement, Ted and Alice relocated from Severna Park, Md., to beautiful Lake Manitou in Rochester. Ted was a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks since 1954 and proudly served as exalted ruler of both Severna Park, Maryland Lodge No. 2482 and Rochester Lodge No. 2120. He was also a member of the Loyal Order of the Moose in Rochester. Ted had a beautiful voice and sang with the Notables in Rochester.

He is survived by his brother, Richard Gerst; two stepdaughters, Tina Jarrett and Tobi Henry; four stepgranddaughters; one nephew, Ronald Gerst (wife Mary); one niece, Cynthia Morris (husband Jon); two grandnieces, Jennifer and Rachel

Morris; a close friend, Betty Estep; and several extended family members on the Saltzman side of the family.

Ted was preceded in death by a brother, Robert V. Gerst, and a sister-in-law, Sally Gerst.

A graveside service, with full military honors, will be conducted at 11 a.m. Thursday, June 2, 2015, at Mount Hope Cemetery, with Rabbi Philip Cohen officiating. Ted will be laid to rest with his wife, Alice, in the family plot beside his parents and brother.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the charity of the donor's choice.

Fisher Funeral Chapel has been entrusted with arrangements.

You may share memories and messages of sympathy in his guest book at [www.fisherfuneralchapel.com](http://www.fisherfuneralchapel.com).

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### **Frank A. Coble**

Frank A. COBLE, 68, Rochester, formerly of Logansport, died Tuesday at his residence.

Arrangements are pending at Kroeger Funeral Home, Logansport.

Friday, July 3, 2015

### **Ronald L. Miller**

Ronald L. MILLER, 72, Goshen, died Thursday at Riverside Village Healthcare, Elkhart.

Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Royal Center Chapel.

### **Monica White**

Monica WHITE, 94, Kewanna, died Thursday at Woodbridge Health Campus, Logansport.

Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel

### **Donna J. Smith**

Donna J. SMITH, 86, Rochester, died Thursday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

Survivors include her two daughters, Jean A. Mize, Kokomo, and Tamara L. Lehman, Novato, Calif.; a sister, Helen Notz, Rochester, and a brother, Omer L. Kindig, Warsaw.

Her funeral service is to be at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

Saturday, July 4, 2015

No Paper – Holiday

Monday, July 6, 2015

**Wayne D. Kamp**

Aug. 28, 1934 - July 3, 2015

Wayne D. KAMP, 80, of Akron, passed away at 9:49 a.m. Friday, July 3, 2015, at Parkview Wabash Hospital after being hospitalized since Wednesday.

He was born on Aug. 28, 1934, in Akron, to Walter and Iola (Wright) Kamp, and he was raised by C. Everett “Red” and Elsie Dague Clark.

On Sept. 27, 1952, he married Isabelle “Belle” Funk in the Athens EUB parsonage, and she survives.

He was a farmer and a carpenter/ millwright and was in the union. He also was a seed corn salesman.

Wayne started out collecting old farm machinery, and it turned into Kamp Salvage. His favorite thing was to go to farm auctions and ride around on the golf cart talking and bidding with his favorite reserved number 16. Everyone at the sales was always looking for “Wimpy,” which was the nickname he got from eating hamburgers. He was a member of the Echoes of the Past and attended the Olive Branch Church of God, of Roann, where he was known as the door greeter. Wayne enjoyed going fishing with his family and friends and in earlier years he loved participating in tractor pulls as “Ollie” with his Oliver 77. He enjoyed going out to eat all over the area, and he never met a stranger.

Survivors include his wife, Belle Kamp, Akron; sons Dennis L. and wife Linda Kamp, New Carlisle, Steven Wayne and wife Tracy Kamp, Akron, Franklin H. and wife Linda Kamp, Akron, and Andrew J. and wife Lori Kamp, Kewanna; daughter Rebecca Sue and husband Mark Powell, Macy; 24 grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; brother Wendell D. Kamp, Harlingen, Texas; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his grandsons, Jonathan H. “Popper” Kamp and Wyatt Clarke Davis; his sister, Francis Rosseau; and his brothers, Myron Rex and Lester Kamp.

His funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, July 8, 2015, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Pastor Jeff Sumner officiating.

Visitation is 3-8 p.m. Tuesday, July 7, 2015, at the funeral home.

Burial is to be in Athens Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Athens Cemetery or the Akron Lions Club.

Share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Monica White**

Feb. 12, 1920 - July 2, 2015

Monica WHITE, 95, of Kewanna, passed away peacefully at 1:55 p.m. Thursday, July 2, 2015, at Woodbridge Health Campus, Logansport.

Born Feb. 12, 1920, in Fulton County, she was the daughter of the late John and Margaret (O'Brien) Scheetz. On July 28, 1945, she married William R. White, and he preceded her in death on June 19, 1989.

Monica was a homemaker and farm wife. She enjoyed gardening and tending her flowers. She especially loved spending time with her grandchildren.

She was a member of All Saints Catholic Church, Logansport, and a former member of St. Elizabeth Catholic Church, Lucerne.

Survivors include her son, Ted White (Vicki), of Kewanna; grandchildren Seth White (Marla), of Kewanna, and Grant White (Taylor), of Star City; and great-grandchildren Eli, Isaac and Samuel White, all of Kewanna.

Monica was also preceded in death by her brothers, Joseph Scheetz, Leo Scheetz, Paul Scheetz and John Henry Scheetz; and her sisters, Mary Costello and Eva Colip.

A Mass of Christian burial will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, July 7, 2015, at St. Ann Catholic Church, Kewanna, with Father Bert Woolson and Father John Costello officiating.

Visitation will be from 5-8 p.m. today, July 6, 2015, at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel, where there will also be a scripture service at 7:30 p.m.

Burial will be in Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to donor's favorite charity.

Sign the online guest book or leave an online condolence for the White family at [www.ransfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com).

### **Donna J. Kindig Smith**

Jan. 8, 1929 - July 2, 2015

Mrs. Donna J. Kindig SMITH, 86, of Rochester, passed away at 8:47 a.m. Thursday, July 2, 2015, at Life Care Center of Rochester.

Born in Rochester on Jan. 8, 1929, Donna Jean was a cherished daughter of Oral "Hap" and Eva M. Severns Kindig. Growing up, she shared her childhood with a

sister, Helen, and a brother, Omer, as the children of the legendary builders of Fulton County's round barns.

On Nov. 2, 1952, Donna and Francis D. Smith were married in Rochester. Together they shared more than 47 years of life's adventures. Sadly, Francis passed away on Jan. 5, 2000.

Donna was a devoted member of the First Christian Church. She loved children and as an aunt she adored her nephews and nieces. For them, she employed her arsenal of crafts, many times creating custom gifts of warmth. Her love of children was vast as she crocheted more than 200 afghans and donated them to the patients at Riley Hospital for Children. With a heart of a patriot, Donna crocheted three U.S. flag afghans for the children of a local American hero. During other creative stints, she customized blankets for special occasions and sent them internationally. Two members of the Black Horse Troop from Culver's Military Academy garnered blankets made by Donna for their attire during former President Ronald Regan's inaugural parade.

Always busy with her skilled hands, Donna enjoyed expressing herself on plastic canvas. Bright and colorful, each creation was unique and made with love. For special friends, she created potholders and owl purses. This gentle, sweet soul, with a giving heart of gold, will be missed by her family, friends and the many lives she touched during life's journey.

Left to cherish Donna's memory are her two daughters, Jean Ann Kindig Mize and husband Bobby, of Kokomo, and Tamara Lynn Lehman, of Novato, Calif.; three grandchildren, Michael E. Mize, of Huntington, Heather M. Lehman, of Columbus, Ohio, and Tracy L. Macaluso (Marc), of Kokomo; a great-grandson, Jordan Bass (Kelsey), of Kokomo; a great-great-granddaughter, Berkleigh Rose Bass; a sister, Helen Notz, of Rochester; a brother, Omer L. Kindig and wife Annette, of Warsaw; a sister-in-law, Barbara Smith, of Leiters Ford; and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Donna was preceded in death by her parents, her husband and a grandson, John Allen Lehman.

Donna's family wishes to express their grateful appreciation to the Life Care community for the love, support and special care they gave her for the past eight years during her residency. Your care and compassion have truly been a blessing.

A celebration of the life of Donna Jean Smith will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 7, 2015, at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Mr. Bert Sterk officiating.

Friends may visit with the family from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

Donna Jean will be laid to eternal rest next to her beloved husband, Francis, in the Leiters Ford Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Southern Care Hospice, 310 W. McKinley Ave., No. 340, Mishawaka, IN 46545.

Online expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

**Barbara Randolph**

Barbara RANDOLPH, 83, Rochester, died Saturday at her residence.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Tuesday, July 7, 2015

**John H. Good**

John H. GOOD, 68, Tyler, Texas, formerly of Kewanna, died Wednesday. Arrangements are pending at Stewart Family Funeral Home, Tyler, Texas.

Wednesday, July 8, 2015

**Barbara J. Hancock**

May 22, 1929 - July 5, 2015

Barbara J. HANCOCK, 86, a resident of Greenfield, passed away surrounded by her loving family on Sunday morning, July 5, 2015, at St. Vincent Hospital, Indianapolis.

She was born May 22, 1929, in Bellflower, Ill., to the late Horace and Minnie (Duncan) Windmiller.

Barbara attended Rochester High School. She was a homemaker, a former seamstress and a member of Faith Lutheran Church.

She is survived by her daughter, Darla J. (Kevin) Carter, of New Palestine, and grandson Mark Carter, also of New Palestine.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, George N. Hancock; her brothers, Lawrence Windmiller and Robert Windmiller; and her sister, Frances Hayes.

Friends may call from 2-3 p.m. Sunday, July 12, 2015, at Faith Lutheran Church, 200 W. McKenzie Road, Greenfield. A celebration of life service will follow at 3 p.m., with Pastor Dan O'Connor officiating.

A private family burial will be conducted at Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorial contributions in honor of Barbara may be made to Faith Lutheran Church.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Stillinger Family Funeral Home, Pasco Chapel, of Greenfield.

Online condolences in Barbara's memory may be shared at [www.stillingerfamily.com](http://www.stillingerfamily.com).

**Barbara Jewel Randolph**

March 14, 1932 - July 4, 2015

Mrs. Barbara Jewel RANDOLPH, 83, of Rochester, was surrounded by her loving family when she passed away at 12:30 p.m. July 4, 2015.

On March 14, 1932, Barbara was born in Forrest County, Miss., the precious daughter of Estelle Wilkes. Growing up, she shared her childhood with a brother, Vernon.

Willie Randolph married Barbara in Chicago, and together they shared more than 30 years of life's adventures. Sadly, he passed away Feb. 9, 1993.

Barbara worked in the John Hancock Building for Watson-Boaler Interior Designers as an interior decorator for a number of years prior to retirement. An avid gardener, Barbara planted flowers each spring to enhance the landscape of her home. She is remembered for having a green thumb. An elegant lady with an eye for a bargain, Barbara was a frequent visitor of Winamac's Good Samaritan Store. She could most often be seen there, visiting on Saturday mornings. For Barbara, there was nothing better than finding a hidden treasure at a garage sale. The weekend brought on jaunts in the car to locate garage sales in progress.

As the matriarch, Grandma Barbara was proud to oversee four generations. Paramount in her life was her family. She was the caregiver of the family, helping others all of the time. If it was time to make a big decision, Grandma Barbara was counted on to share her vision and wisdom. She never sugarcoated anything, telling it like it is.

Left to cherish Barbara's memory are her daughter, Linda Insley; a son, Darrell Hudson, both of Chicago; five grandchildren, Steven Jefferson, William Hudson and wife Shonda, Anthony Jackson and fiancée Melissa Brill, Angela Jackson and Michelle Chapman-Walker and husband Marion Walker; and numerous great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews and cousins.

Preceding Barbara in death are her parents, husband and a brother, Vernon Wilkes.

A celebration of the life of Barbara Jewel Randolph will be at 1 p.m. EST Saturday, July 11, 2015, at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Mr. Lennon Harris officiating. Friends may visit with her family two hours prior to the service at the funeral home.

She will be laid to eternal rest next to her beloved husband, Willie, in the Leiters Ford Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Center for Hospice Care, 112 S. Center St., Plymouth, IN.

Online expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

**Ronald L. Miller**

Ronald L. MILLER, 72, Goshen, died Thursday at Riverside Village Healthcare Center, Elkhart.

Survivors include his wife, Christine L. Miller, Goshen; his mother, Mary J. Miller, Royal Center; his children, Dawn M. Newsom, Warsaw, Debra Albin, Goshen, Dane M. Bixler, Elkhart, David Miller, Goshen, and Christopher Miller, Denver, Colo.; brother Jeffrey Miller, Royal Center; and sisters Shirley Blackhetter, Bloomington, and Debora A. Kuykendall, Evansville.

His graveside service will be at 3 p.m. Saturday at the Royal Center Cemetery, with visitation from 1-2:30 p.m. Saturday at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Royal Center Chapel.

**Marilyn Hoover**

A memorial service for Marilyn HOOVER, 76, of Naples, Fla., who died on Oct. 4, 2014, is at 1 p.m. Saturday, July 11, 2015, at Grace United Methodist Church.

Thursday, July 9, 2015

**John Herbert Good**

Nov. 4, 1946 - July 1, 2015

John Herbert GOOD was born on Nov. 4, 1946, in Kewanna to parents Delbert "Zeke" Roe Good and Geraldine "Ginger" Good.

John is survived by his brothers, Larry Joseph "Joe" Good and wife Karen Good, of Kewanna, and Richard Roe Good, of Logansport. Also, surviving is Lynette Good; his son, Kirk Good and wife Kathy Good, of Tyler, Texas; his daughter, Holly Short and husband Kevin Short and their children Hampton and Emma Short, all of Tyler, Texas.

John attended and graduated from Kewanna High School in 1965. John enlisted in the U.S. Air Force, serving four years with a tour of duty in Vietnam. John was employed for several years with The Rochester Sentinel. He also was employed at Kewanna Safety Products where he did screen printing. His last employment was with the Braun Corp. for more than 15 years.

John moved to Tyler, Texas in 2001 to be closer to his family. John suffered a battle with cancer complicated by several strokes. He passed away peacefully on July 1, 2015.

His funeral service will be at 4 p.m. Friday, July 10, 2015, at the Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to The Hospice of East Texas Foundation, 4111 University Blvd., Tyler, TX 75701 or [www.hospiceofeasttexas.org](http://www.hospiceofeasttexas.org).



Arrangements have been entrusted to Stewart Family Funeral Home, Tyler, Texas.

Friday, July 10, 2015

**Burton Lee Youngstrom**

March 1, 1930 - July 8, 2015

Burton Lee YOUNGSTROM, 85, Rochester, passed away at 10:43 p.m. Wednesday, July 8, 2015, at his residence.

He was born on March 1, 1930, in Alta, Iowa, the son of Oscar and Dorothy (Andre) Youngstrom. On May 4, 1953, in Nemaha, Iowa, he married Margaret E. Ashton, and she survives.

Burton worked as a manufacturing representative for Monogram Industries and as a purchasing agent for Commercial Structures, Nappanee. He was a member of Grace United Methodist Church, Rochester, and he enjoyed woodworking, stained glass, playing cards with his friends and family and playing golf.

Surviving is his wife, Margaret E. Youngstrom, Rochester; children Tim and wife Andrea Youngstrom, Roswell, Ga., Teri and husband Mike Furnivall, Rochester, Scott and wife Carol Youngstrom, Ocala, Fla., and Stuart and wife Deborah Youngstrom, Rochester; grandchildren Ashley (Furnivall) and husband Marc Cilfone, Chicago, Craig Furnivall, Seattle, Corbin Furnivall, Hattiesburg, Miss., Ben and Seth Youngstrom, Roswell, Ga., Tyler and Logan Youngstrom, Rochester, and Eric and Jamie Youngstrom, Ocala, Fla.; great-granddaughter Siena Cilfone, Chicago; and sister Margo Chapman, Santa Barbara, Calif.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Andre Youngstrom, and his parents.

His funeral service is to be at 10:30 a.m. Monday, July 13, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with Pastor Kerry O'Brien officiating.

Friends may call from 2-6 p.m. Sunday, July 12, 2015, at the funeral home and one hour prior to the service on Monday.

Burial will be at Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Grace United Methodist Church, and online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

**Kali Marie Reed**

May 15, 2013 – July 7, 2015

On July 7, 2015, our precious Kali Marie REED joined God in heaven. She is survived by her father, Joseph Reed; mother Kayla Reed; older sisters Emma and Kora; and younger brother Connor.

Born May 15, 2013, little Kali didn't know the wonderful yet short journey she would make in this life to find the wealth of love God put ahead of her. She remains in the hearts of all her family, friends and of those who were blessed with knowing this beautiful child of God who has risen up to join our beloved Father in heaven.

A private service will be conducted.

Memorial contributions are being accepted and may be sent to Williamsville Christian Church in person or at P.O. Box 233, Williamsville, IL 62693 (217-566-3381).

Saturday, July 11, 2015

No Obituaries

Monday, July 13, 2015

**Don D. Reed**

April 11, 1932 - July 10, 2015

Don Dale REED, 83, Kewanna, passed away at 6:10 p.m. Friday, July 10, 2015, at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

He was born on April 11, 1932, in Kewanna, the son of William Sherman and Bessie (Eytcheson) Reed. On July 26, 1979, in Nashville, Tenn., he married Ruby Simmons and she survives.

Mr. Reed had been a farmer for many years and had worked for the Farm Bureau elevator in Rochester and Fulton for over 30 years. He had been a member of the Eagles Lodge and in his spare time loved to plant flowers, do woodworking and make sheds.

Survivors include his wife, Ruby Reed, Kewanna; children, Deb and husband Marvin Hall, Napa, Idaho, Ed Reed, Macy, Mike and wife Joan Reed, Rochester, Deanna Gibson, Louisiana, Rita Brown, Indianapolis, Bill Brown, Deedsville, Phyllis Brown, Peru, Gary and wife Briquette, Texas, Rhonda Coby, Peru; 20 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his sisters, Esther Irene Cooley, Mildred B. Dice, Ruby Wildermuth, Jean Maxine Reed, Betty Kerby, Alberta Reed and brother, Robert Reed.

His funeral service is 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 14, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Fulton, with the Rev. Tim Rentschler officiating. Friends may call from noon-2 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home in Fulton. Burial will be in the Fulton Cemetery, Fulton. Memorial contributions may be made to the Eagles Lodge. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

**Betty L. Hewett**

Sept. 21, 1940 - July 10, 2015

Betty L. HEWETT, 74, Rochester, passed away at 7:52 p.m. Friday, July 10, 2015, at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

She was born on September 21, 1940 in Augusta, Maine. She had worked for over 13 years as a nurse aid at Life Care Center of Rochester, as a waitress for the

former Maggie's Restaurant and had provided Home Health Care. In her spare time she enjoyed cooking, gardening and reading.

Survivors include her daughter, Virginia and husband Jim Patterson, Rochester; grandchildren, Kyle and wife Meghan McLochlin, Rochester, Tai Johnson and companion Kyle Phillips, Leesburg; great-grandchildren, Reilly Patterson, Indianapolis, Taya Johnson, Leesburg, Mason McLochlin, Rochester; sisters, Linda and Diane; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, son, Rick Scharnhorst, grandson, Nick Patterson and two sisters.

Private interment will take place in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Lung Association. Arrangements by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Rose A. Shull**

Rose Ann SHULL, 56, Rochester, died at 11:19 p.m. Saturday, July 12, 2015, at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Mishawaka. Arrangements pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

### **Vincent Jeffrey**

Vincent JEFFREY, 44, Warsaw, died at 10:25 p.m. Saturday, July 11, 2015, at Millers Merry Manor. Arrangements are pending at Earl-Love Funeral Home, Akron.

Tuesday, July 14, 2015

### **Rose Ann (Fisher) Shull**

Aug. 3, 1958 – July 11, 2015

Rose Ann (Fisher) SHULL, 56, Rochester, passed away at 11:19 p.m. Saturday, July 11, 2015, at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Mishawaka, surrounded by her family. She was born on Aug. 3, 1958, in Rochester, the daughter of Larry W. and Nettie (Wagoner) Fisher. Rose Ann was united in marriage to Tracy Shull on Sept. 3, 1999, and he survives.

Rose Ann was a lifetime resident of Fulton County. She was a 1976 graduate of Tippecanoe Valley High School. In 1977, she graduated from the Logansport Academy of Beauty Culture. Rose Ann worked for Ristance Corp./Standard Motor Products, Mishawaka, for 30 years, managing the label room and assisting with assembly needs.

Rose Ann was an avid crafter, specializing in crochet and beadwork. She enjoyed displaying her talents at craft shows and in craft shops.

She is survived by her husband, Tracy Shull, Rochester; two sons, Drew and wife Rachell Cooper, Warsaw, and Dustin and wife Amanda Cooper, Talma; brothers

Larry O. Fisher, Paige, Texas, Robert Fisher, Talma, and Mark and wife Denise Fisher, Talma; sister Joyce and husband Terry Shepherd, Warsaw; seven grandchildren, Taylor Garr, Madison Cooper, Bailey Hanes, Lexie Cooper, Mayson Cooper, Layton Cooper and Rylan Cooper; and many nieces and nephews.

Rose Ann was preceded in death by her parents.

Her memorial service will be conducted at 10:30 a.m. Friday, July 17, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

Visitation will be from 4-8 p.m. Thursday and one hour prior to service on Friday at the funeral home.

Interment will take place at a later date at Mount Zion Cemetery, Rochester.

Memorial contributions may be made to breast cancer research or the American Cancer Society, Mishawaka. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Vincent Mark Jeffrey Jr.**

Sept. 9, 1970 – July 11, 2015

Vincent Mark JEFFREY Jr., 44, 721 E. Arthur St., Akron, passed away at 10:25 p.m. Saturday, July 11, 2015, at Millers Merry Manor, Warsaw.

Vincent was born on Sept. 9, 1970, in South Bend to Vincent M. Jeffrey and Starlene Gean (Lolmaugh) Jeffrey.

In 1989, he graduated from Bremen High School, and on Oct. 7, 2006, he married Misty Jo (Smith) Jeffrey in Akron.

Vincent worked as a forklift driver in Delphi. He enjoyed putting together plastic car models and tinkering.

Survivors include his wife, Misty Jo Jeffrey, of Akron; two daughters, Jade Elizabeth Jeffrey and Sage Marie Jeffrey, both of Akron; brother Robert Jeffrey, of Warsaw; and his father, Vincent M. Jeffrey, of Bremen.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Starlene Jeffrey, in 2012 and his grandparents.

Visitation is noon-2 p.m. Wednesday, July 15, 2015, at the Earl-Love Funeral Home, 811 E. Rochester St., Akron.

His funeral service is to be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, following visitation at the funeral home, with Pastor Gary Boschain, of the First Christian Church, Warsaw, officiating.

Burial is to be at Lakeview Cemetery, Silver Lake.

Memorial contributions may be made to Kosciusko County Home Care & Hospice, P.O. Box 1196, Warsaw, IN 46580. Online condolences may be sent to [www.earllovefuneralhome.com](http://www.earllovefuneralhome.com).

### **Kathryn I. Hartzler**

Kathryn I. HARTZLER, 82, Akron, died Monday at her residence. Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

Wednesday, July 15, 2015

**Kathryn I. Hartzler**

April 27, 1933 – July 13, 2015

Kathryn I. HARTZLER, 82, of Akron, unexpectedly passed away peacefully at 8:40 a.m. Monday, July 13, 2015, at her residence.

She was born on April 27, 1933, in Marshall County, the daughter of Harold E. and Carrie Irene (McGriff) Walters. On June 17, 1951, she married Stephen L. Hartzler at the Athens EUB Church, and he survives.

Kathryn raised her family while managing and working in the home and on the farm. After her family was raised, she managed the Fulton County License Branch and was a greeter at her son and daughter-in-law's funeral home.

She moved from the Richland Center community to the Akron area while in grade school. She graduated in 1951 from Akron High School where she was a class officer and a high school cheerleader. She married her sweetheart right after high school, a union lasting 64 years. She enjoyed raising Hereford cattle with her husband. Having been a 10-year 4-H member, she was a driving force to her children to follow and do the same. She started her political career as the vice precinct committeeman in Fulton County. Kathryn always worked hard to get many good candidates elected, but she never ran for an office herself. She was known in the county as well as the state for her Republican politics, serving as vice chairman and county chairman for many years as well as secretary of the 5th District and being a delegate to the National Convention in 1988. Although she had lost most of her sight, she always stayed in the political loop. She was awarded two Sagamores of the Wabash and a Distinguished Hoosier by three different governors. She and her husband have held season tickets at Tippecanoe Valley High School for the boys' basketball games since the school's inception as well as having season tickets for the Notre Dame women's basketball team for many years.

Survivors include her husband, Steve Hartzler, Akron; daughters Stephenia Barkman and Melinda and husband Pete Pratt, both of Rochester; son Mark and wife Deb Hartzler, Akron; grandchildren Melea Powell-Hoffer, Stephen Heinzmann, Stacey McGriff, Blaine Hartzler and Ashley Heinzmann; step-grandchildren Stacy Barkman, Scott Barkman, Tara Wolfe and Tabitha Floor; 19 great-grandchildren; sister Jean Ann Deaton, Bourbon; and brother Lloyd and wife Linda Walters, Rochester.

Preceded in death by parents Harold E. and Carrie Irene Walters, infant brother Richard Walters, brother Herschel Walters and son-in-law Jim Barkman.

Her funeral service is to be at 10:30 a.m. Friday, July 17, 2015, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Pastor Phil Pratt officiating.

Visitation is from 2-8 p.m. Thursday, July 16, 2015, at the funeral home.

Burial is to be in Akron Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Stephen and Kathryn Hartzler Scholarship entrusted at the Northern Indiana Community Foundation.

Share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Shirley C. Thomas**

Oct. 18, 1934 – July 12, 2015

Shirley C. THOMAS, 80, of Logansport, passed away Sunday, July 12, 2015, at her residence.

Born on Oct. 18, 1934, in Star City, she was the daughter of the late Fred C. and Dorothy M. (Hiatt) Gast. Shirley was married to James Thomas, and he preceded her in death on July 26, 1979.

Shirley was a retired teacher from the Caston School Corp., a member of the Cass County Retired Teachers Association and First United Methodist Church.

Survivors include two nephews, Brad Gast, Culver, and Rob Gast, Rochester; great-nieces and great-nephews Devin Gast, Chandler Gast, Cameron Gast and Courtney Gast; great-great-nephew Gabriel Gast; sister-in-law Mary Lou Thomas, Logansport; and extended family Robin (Alan) Page, Emily Nictora and Alaina Page.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Cheryl Ann Thomas, and two brothers, Robert and Marvin Gast.

A celebration of life will be at noon Thursday, July 16, 2015, at the Mount Hope Cemetery Chapel, Logansport, with Rev. Don Cline officiating.

Visitation will be one hour prior to the service at the cemetery chapel.

Burial will be in the Mount Hope Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the First United Methodist Church in Logansport.

You may sign the guest book and send online condolences at [www.gundrumcares.com](http://www.gundrumcares.com).

Arrangements have been entrusted to the Gundrum Funeral Home, Logansport.

### **Mary A. McClelland**

Mary A. McCLELLAND, 87, Rochester, died Tuesday at Hickory Creek, Rochester.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Thursday, July 16, 2015

**Mardelle Kathryn Goller**

Feb. 19, 1921 – July 15, 2015

Mardelle Kathryn GOLLER, 94, of Rochester, passed away at 2:50 a.m. Wednesday, July 15, 2015, at Blair Ridge Health Campus, Peru, due to complications of pneumonia.

On Feb. 19, 1921, Mardelle Kathryn Krueger was born in Danforth, Ill., a cherished daughter of George and Esther Heideman Krueger. As one of seven children, she shared her childhood with a sister and five brothers. She was the last living daughter from that union.

Always looking after her family, Mardelle took care of her sister and brothers while working on the family farm in Danforth. On Feb. 23, 1947, she married Earl George Goller, the love of her life and best friend. They settled in Watseka, Ill., to raise their family. From their union came two wonderful children, Debbie and David. Together they shared more than 35 years of life's adventures. Their family's love of fishing and boating brought them to Lake Manitou, buying property in 1968 and moving to Rochester in 1971.

In 1986, Mardelle retired from Torin. Many friends will remember her from the Sportsman Landing on Lake Manitou. She loved the Lord and was a devoted member of St. John's Lutheran Church, of Rochester, for more than four decades, helping out with the church cleaning details until her early 80s. Other memberships include the United Auto Workers Union No. 947, and she was a 25-year member of the VFW Auxiliary, Watseka, Ill.

Talented with her hands, Mardelle crocheted many gifts of warmth for her family and special friends. A gifted storyteller, she could recall details and stories of yesteryear and days gone by, embracing her listeners, allowing them to garner a new appreciation for the past. A kind and friendly soul, she was loved by everyone, always telling her caregivers thank you. With her health declining, she moved into nursing care in March this year.

As the matriarch of the Goller family, "G.G." was proud to oversee four generations. She loved her children and cherished the grandchildren and great-grandchildren very much. From their home on Wolf Point Drive, G.G. hosted the holiday gatherings, Sunday dinners and special family celebrations. She was quite at home at her kitchen command post, preparing some of the family's favorites, including meatloaf, banana cream pie, chocolate chip cookies and apple crusted coffee cake. Jello salads were also among her forte of favorites. The day was complete, following a pontoon ride and cruising over the sparkling waters.

Left to cherish Mardelle's memory are a daughter, Deborah Sheets and husband Bill, of Rochester; son David Goller and wife Joy, of Macy; five grandchildren, Brian



Sheets and wife Jenny, of Rochester, Kristy Fields and husband Jason, of Rushville, Mathew Sheets and fiancée Ashley Spangler, of Peru, and Adam and Eric Goller, of Macy; six great-grandchildren, Bryce and Jasmine Creamer, Taylor and Ava Fields, and Emma and Elise Sheets; sister-in-law Dorothy Krueger, of Gilman, Ill., and several nieces and nephews.

Preceding Mardelle in death are her parents; her husband, Earl, on May 7, 1982; a sister, Mildred Edwards; and five brothers, Everett, Willard, Robert, Ronald and a brother in infancy.

A celebration of the life of Mrs. Mardelle K. Goller is 3 p.m. Friday, July 17, 2015, at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Pastor Herbert Gerken officiating. Friends may visit with the family at the funeral home from 12-3 p.m. Friday.

She will be laid to eternal rest next to her beloved husband, Earl, in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Fulton County Cancer Fund through the Northern Indiana Community Foundation, 715 Main St., Rochester, IN 46975. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Connie Sutton**

A memorial service for Connie SUTTON, who died on May 14, 2015, in San Antonio, is at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at First Baptist Church, Rochester.

Friday, July 17, 2015

No Obituaries

Saturday, July 18, 2015

### **Mary Ann McClelland**

Jan. 11, 1928 - July 14, 2015

Mrs. Mary Ann McCLELLAND, 87, of Rochester, passed away at noon Tuesday, July 14, 2015, at Hickory Creek at Rochester.

On Jan. 11, 1928, Mary Ann was born in Terre Haute to Robert Louis and Lois Temple Haig.

In Allen County, on April 3, 1966, Mary Ann married Robert Wayne McClelland. Together they shared 35 years of life's adventures. Sadly, he passed away on Jan. 9, 2001.

An avid reader, her favorite books were those authored by true crime writer Ann Rule. Mary Ann served as a volunteer, for the Fulton County Literacy Coalition. She assisted as a secretary and assisted with coordinating the annual Spell Bowl.

A lifelong antique buff, Mary Ann enjoyed collecting and selling antique dolls and Victorian clothing. Earlier in life, she enjoyed working in an antique shop in Marshall County near Burr Oak.

Mary Ann will be lovingly remembered by a daughter, Sally Ruth Feingold; a son, Steven Temple Feingold and wife Susan; two grandchildren, Erica Feingold and Loren Feingold; four great-grandchildren, all of Niles, Ohio; many friends and associates from the Fulton County Library; and special friends Judy Case, Gordon and Ruth Bohs, all of Rochester.

Preceding Mary in death are her parents and husband.

A private service will be conducted for Mary Ann McClelland.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Online expressions of sympathy may be made to her friends at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Frank A. Coble**

Jan. 19, 1947 - June 30, 2015

Frank A. COBLE, 68, Rochester, formerly of Logansport, passed away at 4:53 p.m. Tuesday, June 30, 2015, at his residence.

Born Jan. 19, 1947, in Logansport, he was the son of Frank A. and Francis Liming Coble.

On July 25, 1981, at St. James Lutheran Church, Logansport, he was married to Ann L. Hitzemann, who survives and resides in Rochester.

A 1965 graduate of Logansport High School, Frank retired as owner of Quality Quick Lube, Rochester.

He and his wife attended St. James Lutheran Church, Logansport.

Surviving are his daughters, Kris (Craig) Currier, Zionsville, and Jennifer (Trevor) Hopper, South Bend; stepson Shawn (Sheri) Ramsay, North Carolina; grandchildren Zak Forgey, Molly Hopper, Sierra Ramsay and Skylar Ramsay; and great-grandson Rayden Forgey.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Phyllis Logan.

His funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, July 22, 2015, at St. James Lutheran Church with Pastor K.C. Dehning officiating.

Friends may greet the family one hour prior to the service, from 10-11 a.m., at the church.

Interment will be private.

Kroeger Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Family and friends may leave a memory or message of condolence by visiting the online obituary at [www.kroegerfuneralhome.com](http://www.kroegerfuneralhome.com).

Monday, July 20, 2015

No Obituaries

Tuesday, July 21, 2015

**Shirley M. Allred**

March 19, 1936 - July 19, 2015

Shirley M. ALLRED, 79, of Shipshewana, died at 9:31 p.m. Sunday, July 19, 2015, at her residence after an extended illness.

She was born on March 19, 1936, in Detroit, to Bryan and Oleiva (Goody) Jernigan. She married Voight Allred. He is deceased.

Shirley enjoyed working on crossword puzzles, jigsaw puzzles, crafts, sewing and being out in nature. She also loved spending time with her family.

Surviving are two daughters, Christine (Benny) Yoder, of Shipshewana, and Angela (Sterling) Gibson, of Howe; two sons, Mark (Cindy) Padgett, of Goshen, and Michael (Roxy) Padgett, of Wolcottville; 16 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; sister Patricia (Morse) Utter, of Rochester; and brother Michael (Cindy) Jernigan, of Rochester. She was preceded in death by her husband; parents; son Bryan Allred; two brothers, Robert and Joseph Jernigan; and two sisters, Barbara Gellar and Midge Ramsey.

A memorial service will be conducted at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Alzheimer's Association. Online condolences may be made at [millerstewartfuneralhome.com](http://millerstewartfuneralhome.com).

Arrangements are by Miller-Stewart Funeral Home, Middlebury.

**Betty J. Olinger**

Betty J. OLINGER, 66, Cypress, Texas, and formerly of Rochester, died Thursday.

Survivors include her husband, Steve Olinger; sister Pam Gunn; brother Charles Wilson; two sons, Doug Shedlock and Steve Shedlock; and daughter Michelle Heuck.

Her funeral service is at 2 p.m. today at Jeter Memorial Funeral Home Chapel, Friendswood, Texas, with visitation one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

Wednesday, July 22, 2015

**James E. O'Brien**

Visitation for James E. O'BRIEN, 91, Rochester, who passed away on Friday, June 5, 2015, will be from 2-4:30 p.m. Saturday, July 25, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros.

Funeral Home, Rochester. A time of remembrance and reflection will take place at 4:30 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the USO, Veterans of Foreign Wars or Catholic Charities.

Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

Thursday, July 23, 2015

### **Deverle Lee Abbott**

Oct. 26, 1921 – June 29, 2015

A memorial service for Deverle Lee ABBOTT was conducted at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, July 15, 2015, at Southlawn Cemetery, South Bend, with Rev. Pat Somers of the Evangel Heights United Methodist Church officiating.

Survivors include his sister, Laura Abbott, of South Bend; niece Sharon and husband Steve Coplen, of southern Indiana; nephew Larry Elliott, Warsaw; and cousins Janice and husband Bob Thompson, Osceloa, Linda and husband Jim Clark, Chicago, Ellen and husband William Whitesell, San Tan Valley, Ariz., Betty Arnold, Lacarne, Ohio, David Blacketor, Don and wife Lois Abbott, Doris Lehman, and Janet and husband Jack Summers, all from Rochester.

In honor of Deverle, everyone at the memorial service was invited to Logan's Steakhouse.

### **Ronald Lee Pflueger**

Oct. 11, 1934 – July 19, 2015

Ronald Lee PFLUEGER, 80, joined his creator on July 19, 2015, Sunday at 11:45 a.m., which was always his favorite day of the week, surrounded by his loving family. Our family is celebrating with confidence, knowing he is at the right hand of Jesus, a place he lived every moment of his life. He left a legacy of faith and family.

Ron was born on Oct. 11, 1934, in Kokomo to Ernest and Mildred (Gruwell) Pflueger. He was raised in Kokomo and attended Indiana University Bloomington. On March 20, 1970, he married Maria (Cuellar) Pflueger, who survives him.

Ron was highly dedicated to God and his family. His faith truly defined him, even to his last days. He would happily join in singing songs and hymns at any given moment. Throughout his adult life, Ron faithfully attended and served at Southside Christian Church and Calvary Temple in Peru.

Ron had many different passions that ranged from hunting, fishing, IU basketball, golf and time with friends and family. While Ron enjoyed all those things, none of them compared to the love and pride he had for his family. A blessed day for him was being surrounded by his Pflueger clan.

Ron is survived by Maria Pflueger, Kokomo, and first wife, Patricia Ann Dick; daughters Cindy (Pat) Golembieski, of Tucson, Ariz., Pam (Dave) Mobley, of Kokomo, Lisa Pflueger, of Kokomo, Kim Pflueger, of Jacksonville, Fla., and Jennifer (Ryan) Bontrager, of Carmel; grandchildren Nikki and Alyssa, of Tucson, Ariz., Casey, Courtney, Caitlin, Caden, Morgan, Maddie, of Kokomo and Fishers, and Ruby and Phineas, of Carmel; along with 15 great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his sister, Connie (Paul) Christofanelli, and their children, Paul, Kerry and Barbara.

So much support has been provided to Ron and his family for his care. We would like to show special appreciation to our gracious and special family caregiver, Gloria Pickering.

“R.L.” was a successful businessman who had many opportunities to travel and see the world. He worked at Stellite, started Kokomo Tube Co. as president, worked for Wisconsin Centrifugal in Waukesha, Wis., and Chattanooga, Tenn., and retired in 2007. Ron was a beloved manager and leader, touching and forming many lives along the way.

A celebration of life service will be at 6 p.m. Friday, July 24, 2015, at Crossroads Community Church, 4254 S. 00 East-West, Kokomo, with Pastor Kevin Palmer officiating. Friends are invited to visit with the family from 3 p.m. until time of service on Friday at the church.

A committal and burial service will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at Crown Point Cemetery. There will be a dinner available after the service for a time of Ronnie storytelling with family and friends.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests contributions be made to Bridges Outreach, 208 N. Main St., Kokomo, IN 46901-4624. Messages of condolence may be left online at [www.stoutandson.com](http://www.stoutandson.com).

Stout & Son Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements.

The family has requested casual dress for the visitation and service.

Friday, July 24, 2015

### **Betty Jean (Wilson) Olinger**

April 13, 1949 – July 16, 2015

Betty Jean (Wilson) OLINGER, 66, of Cypress, Texas, passed from this world on July 16, 2015, among family and friends to be with her Lord and Savior.

She was born Betty Jean Wilson in Rochester on April 13, 1949, to Charles and Mary Crousore Wilson.

Betty attended Rochester High School, graduating in 1967. She moved with husband Mickey Shedlock to Houston in 1979, where she was employed at Camco for several years and then returned to Indiana. For a period of time, she worked at Lau Industries. She also enjoyed cooking, fishing, nature, horses and dogs.

She loved her friends and family tirelessly and would do anything for anyone in need. She was a very loving and caring person, and she will be missed by many and loved by all who knew her.

Betty is survived by her husband, who she loved very much, Steve Olinger; one sister, Pam Gunn; one brother, Charles Wilson; two sons, Doug Shedlock and Steve Shedlock and wife Rose; one daughter, Michelle Heuck and husband Jeff; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren; many nieces; nephews; other relatives; and cherished friends.

She was preceded in death by her mother, father and brother.

Friends were cordially invited to the visitation with the family, which was conducted at 1 p.m. Tuesday, July 21, 2015, with the funeral service at 2 p.m. at the Jeter Memorial Funeral Home Chapel, 311 N. Friendswood Drive, Friendswood, TX 77546, 281-992-7200.

Interment followed at the Mount Olivet Cemetery in Dickinson, Texas.

Condolences may be sent to the Olinger family in care of Jeter Memorial Funeral Home at [www.jeterfuneralhome.com](http://www.jeterfuneralhome.com).

### **Lester W. Gordon**

Lester W. GORDON, 97, Rochester, died Thursday at Hickory Creek, Rochester.

Surviving is his son, Gary Gordon, Rochester.

His funeral service is to be at 11 a.m. Monday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation from 1-4 p.m. Sunday and one hour prior to the service on Monday.

Saturday, July 25, 2015

### **Lester W. Gordon**

Oct. 21, 1917 – July 23, 2015

Mr. Lester W. GORDON, 97, of Rochester, passed away at 3:30 a.m. Thursday, July 23, 2015, at Hickory Creek at Rochester.

In Fulton County, on Oct. 21, 1917, Lester William Gordon was born a treasured son of Frank and Sophia Tetzlaff Gordon. As the second youngest of eight children, he shared his childhood with four sisters and three brothers. Following a double promotion during his formative years in education, Lester graduated from Rochester High School in 1934.

On Dec. 8, 1948, Lester and Margaret Mary Maglecic were married at the First Christian Church, Rochester, by Rev. Grant Blackwood. They shared 46 years of life's adventures. Together they raised a wonderful son, Gary. Sadly, Margaret passed away on Oct. 16, 1994.

A lifelong farmer, Lester tended to the farm in Rochester Township. There he raised calves and hogs. He, Margaret and Gary annually planted a truck patch garden. Back in the day when their sweetcorn became a bumper crop, it was sold for 35 cents per dozen. Along with farming, Lester was a wholesaler as an egg buyer and seller for Rochester Produce for many years. Later, he was employed as a dispatcher for the Fulton County Highway Department retiring in 1991.

An avid card player, Lester especially enjoyed many spirited games of euchre while at home at Hickory Creek. He played all kinds of card games, but euchre was his strongest suit. He held memberships with the Fraternal Order of the Eagles 852, Leroy Shelton American Legion Post 36 and the IOOF Lodge.

Left to cherish his memory are his son, Gary Gordon, of Rochester, and several nieces and nephews and his family at Hickory Creek.

Preceding Lester in death are his parents; wife; four sisters, Pauline Cranmer, Ida Shafer, Josephine Warner and Mabel Umbaugh; three brothers, Arthur, Howard and Carl Gordon. Lester was the last living member of the Frank Gordon family.

Gary wishes to thank the Hickory Creek family for their professionalism, love, support and tender loving care given to his Dad since 2008, making him feel at home.

A celebration of the life of Lester W. Gordon will be at 11 a.m. Monday, July 27, 2015, at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with his nephew, Rev. Russell Gordon, officiating. Friends may visit the family from 1-4 p.m. Sunday and one hour prior to the service at the funeral home on Monday.

Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Hickory Creek Activity Fund, 340 E. 18<sup>th</sup> St., Rochester, IN 46975. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Monday, July 27, 2015

### **G. Shannon Buck**

G. Shannon BUCK, 78, rural Akron, died Saturday at his residence. Arrangements are pending at Earl-Love Funeral Home, Akron.

Tuesday, July 28, 2015

### **G. Shannon Buck**

Feb. 18, 1937 – July 25, 2015

G. Shannon BUCK, 78, 12325 E. 300 South, Akron, passed away at 5:04 p.m. Saturday, July 25, 2015, at his residence.

He was born on Feb. 18, 1937, in Grayson, Ky., the son of Walter H. Buck and Mary Velom (Prater) Buck.

Coming from Michigan, he was a resident of Akron since 1976, and prior to living in Michigan, he lived in Kentucky.

He graduated in 1955 from Prichard High School in Grayson, Ky. On May 25, 1968, in Jackson, Mich., he married Mary Jean (Berol) Buck, and she survives.

From 1956-1959, he served in the U.S. Army. He was the owner of Akron Feed & Grain. He then owned South Side Video Store in Akron. His last job was working at Kroger in Rochester until he became ill in March of 2015.

He was a member of the Akron Church of God. He raced mini stock cars for about 20 years at the Plymouth Speedway and New Paris Speedway. He loved animals, especially his horses.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Buck, of Akron; son Bryon S. and wife Heather, of Alpharetta, Ga., and children Dylan Simison, of North Webster, and Mary Katelyn Buck, of Alpharetta, Ga.; daughter Lori J. Fitzpatrick and companion James Kats, of Tippecanoe, and children David Fitzpatrick and Jacob Kats, of Tippecanoe, Lukus Kats, of Nappanee, and Joshua Kats, of Warsaw; brother Louie and wife Rita Buck, of Evansville; and sister Nila (Buck) Booth, of Louisville, Ky.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his brother, Franklin Buck; and his two sisters, Pearl Porter and Shirley Manning.

Visitation is from 4-8 p.m. Wednesday, July 29, 2015, at the Earl-Love Funeral Home, 811 E. Rochester St., Akron.

His funeral service is at 10 a.m. Thursday, July 30, 2015, at the funeral home with Pastor Terry Canfield officiating.

Burial is to be in the Akron IOOF Cemetery with full military rites.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Southern Care Hospice of South Bend, 310 W. McKinley Ave., No 340, Mishawaka, IN 46545. Online condolences may be made online at [www.earlovefuneralhome.com](http://www.earlovefuneralhome.com).

### **Paul J. Pontius**

Paul J. PONTIUS, 77, Silver Lake, died Monday at his residence.

Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

Wednesday, July 29, 2015

### **Linda Lou Grover Pence**

July 1, 1939 – July 28, 2015

Linda Lou Grover PENCE, 76, Rochester, passed away at 7:25 a.m. Tuesday, July 28, 2015, at Woodlawn Hospital.

Linda was born on July 1, 1939, in Rochester, the daughter of Thelma Ewen and Charles Knight. On Sept. 20, 2014, she married James Phillip Pence at the Hilltop Baptist Church, Rochester, and he survives.



Linda worked as a bookkeeper for Bob Macy-Van Duyne, Rochester. She was a member of the Gilead Baptist Church at the Old Crossroad, and she loved singing gospel music. She enjoyed sewing, crocheting, cross-stitching and fishing, but most of all, she loved the time she spent with her family.

Survivors include her husband, James, Rochester; children Peggy Woodard, Albertville, Minn., Penny and husband Gib Archer, Terre Haute, Sharon Gaynon, Stilesville, Karen and husband Tom Brown, Rochester, David and wife Wendy Grover, Terre Haute, and Sherry Reagan, Akron; stepchildren Lanelle and husband Earl Hollon, Roger Pence and companion Dawn Howell and Annette and husband Scott Willis, all of Marion; 11 grandchildren; eight stepgrandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren, several stepgreat-grandchildren; brother Charles Steven Knight, Kewanna, and sister Cindy and husband Carroll Price, Indian Mound, Tenn.

She was preceded in death by her parents, brother Jerry Knight and great-granddaughter Kaylee Metz.

Her funeral service is to be at 11 a.m. Friday, July 31, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

Friends may call from 9-11 a.m. Friday at the funeral home.

Burial will take place at Calcutta Cemetery, Clay County.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Gilead Baptist Church at the Old Crossroad. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Paul J. Pontius**

Feb. 18, 1938 – July 25, 2015

Paul J. PONTIUS, 77, Silver Lake, passed away on Saturday, July 25, 2015, at his residence, the same home from which he was born.

On Feb. 18, 1938, he was born in Wabash County to Verl and Ruth Pontius. He was previously married to the mother of his children, Audrey Gerrick.

Paul retired from Sonoco Products Co., Akron, where he worked for 40-plus years. He was a lifetime member of the National Rifle Association and an avid follower of politics. He was an outdoorsman. He enjoyed mowing and visiting with his neighbors. He loved dogs, especially the family dogs, that he always had treats for. He was known to love visiting over coffee at local restaurants.

Survivors include his sons, John and wife Margi Pontius, Silver Lake, and Steve and wife Katrinna Pontius, Akron; daughter Teresa Pontius Nelson, Rochester; brother Russell and wife Judy Pontius, Laketon; 14 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and four granddogs.

He was preceded in death by his parents; son Mark D. Pontius, who passed away in 2004; five brothers, William, Richard, Omar, Robert and Frank; and sisters Zelma and Pearl.

His funeral service is at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 1, 2015, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Pastor J.P. Freeman, of North Manchester, officiating.

Visitation is 5-8 p.m. Friday, July 31, 2015, at the funeral home.

Burial is to be in the Akron Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Fulton County Animal Center.

Share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Lester L. Shand**

Jan. 3, 1926 – July 27, 2015

Lester L. SHAND, 89, of Warsaw, passed away at 10:45 p.m. Monday, July 27, 2015, at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

On Jan. 3, 1926, he was born in Warsaw to William and Linney (Sell) Shand. Lester was one of seven children. He was united in marriage to Beulah Marie Stanley on Dec. 20, 1944. She preceded him in death on July 22, 1997.

Lester worked in maintenance for Endicott Church Furniture and then worked as a foreman for Laminated Rafters. He then worked as a machinist for DePuy, retiring in 1991.

He was the loving father of daughters, Judy K. Gallaher, of Burnettsville, and Joyce and spouse Randy Hardesty, of Rochester; and sons Stanley and spouse Celia Shand, of Lafayette, and Steven and spouse Wanda Shand, of Fort Wayne. He enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren, Shannon M. Smith, Shane L. and spouse Summer Smith, Blake E. and spouse Molly Hardesty, Shelby L. Livengood, Tiffanie D. and spouse Jason Bolen, Kimberly K. and spouse Travis Coffey, Skipper S. and spouse Amy Shand, and Shelley A. and spouse Todd Swymeler; 17 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by two grandsons, Matthew S. Hardesty and Seth A. Shand.

His funeral service is to be at 11 a.m. Friday, July 31, 2015, at McHatton-Sadler Funeral Chapel, Warsaw, with Chaplain Bob Jarboe, of Kosciusko Homecare and Hospice, officiating.

Visitation will be from 4-8 p.m. Thursday, July 30, 2015, at the funeral chapel.

Burial will be in Oakwood Cemetery, Warsaw.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Kosciusko County Community Foundation, 102 E. Market St., Warsaw, IN 46580.

To sign the guest book or send condolences online, visit [mchattonsadlerfuneralchapels.com](http://mchattonsadlerfuneralchapels.com).

**Deborah J. Anderson**

Deborah J. ANDERSON, 63, formerly of Twelve Mile, died Sunday at Logansport Memorial Hospital.

Survivors include her parents, Eugene and Jane W. Anderson, Logansport, and brother John P. Anderson.

A graveside service is to be at 1 p.m. Thursday at Corinth Cemetery, Twelve Mile.

Thursday, July 30, 2015

**Marilyn R. Adams**

Nov. 21, 1934 - July 29, 2015

Marilyn R. ADAMS, 80, of Akron, passed away at 5:25 a.m. Wednesday, July 29, 2015, at the Memorial Hospital of South Bend.

She was born on Nov. 21, 1934, in Milford, to Fred D. and Doris M. (Jennings) Haney. On Oct. 29, 1955, she was married to Raymond Adams at her parents' home in Akron, and he survives.

Marilyn was a 1952 graduate of Beaver Dam High School. She then graduated from Ball State University after completing the university's 3-year program. Also, she received a bachelor's degree from Grace College and a bachelor's degree from Purdue University.

Marilyn retired from Woodlawn Hospital after 30 years of being a registered nurse. She had also been the director of nurses.

She was a member of the Beaver Dam United Methodist Church and attended church there for 70 years. She enjoyed painting, traveling and watching the Cubs with her husband. She was known for being a community-minded person.

Survivors include her husband, Raymond Adams, Akron; daughter Beth Ann Adams Cooper, Mentone; sons Phil and wife Shirley Adams, Warsaw, and Kent and wife Lisa Adams, Akron; brother Leslie "Buggs" and wife Laura Haney, Goshen; six grandchildren; three stepgrandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and six stepgreat-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her brothers, Fred Jr., Maurice "Mort" and David Haney.

Her funeral service is to be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 1, 2015, at Beaver Dam United Methodist Church, 9798 W. 1000 South, Akron, IN 46910, with Pastor Butch Troke officiating.

Visitation is 2-7 p.m. Friday, July 31, 2015, at the Beaver Dam United Methodist Church.

Burial is to be in the Akron Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Beaver Dam United Methodist Church.

Share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

Arrangements have been entrusted to Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

Friday, July 31, 2015

**Frances M. Geib**

Nov. 1, 1925 - June 29, 2015

Frances, 89, was born in Divernon, Ill., to Steve and Violet Burgaroski Novak on Nov. 1, 1925. She moved to her heavenly home on June 29, 2015.

She was the youngest of four children. Her parents and her brother, Ted, moved to the United States from Poland when Ted was an infant. After coming to the U.S., they had three daughters, Stella, Josephine and Frances. Frances graduated and became a successful retail fashion merchandiser.

She married R. Ben Geib in June 1962. They shared a wonderful life of 30 years together. Ben passed away in May 1992. Frances continued to enjoy traveling and playing bridge. She enjoyed her Union Hills Country Club membership and playing golf with her many friends.

She loved her many visits with children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. They brought many smiles and joy to her life. In later years, she moved to Royal Oaks where she enjoyed her friends and many activities.

She was a member of the Willowbrook United Methodist Church where she served on several committees. She studied to become a Stephen Minister in an effort to better help people in need of spiritual support.

Left to enjoy her many memories are her daughters, Darlene Gilliland and fiancé Joe Moffatt and Lorina Smith; daughter-in-law Sue Geib; grandchildren Melissa McNall (Justin), Kristen DeLoddere (Josh), Sean Smith, Camy Smith and Katrina DeLawter (Bill Blades); four great-grandchildren, Ethan, Olivia and Brayden McNall and Alison DeLoddere; sister Josephine Viara; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband R. Ben Geib, son Ronald B. Geib Jr., brother Ted Novak and sister Stella Dirksen.

Her funeral service was conducted at Willowbrook United Methodist Church, Sun City, Ariz, on July 1.

Saturday, August 1, 2015

**Donald Alfred Drone**

Dec. 30, 1933 – July 30, 2015

Donald Alfred DRONE, 81, Akron, formerly of Springfield, Ill., died at 4:45 p.m. Thursday, July 30, 2015, at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne. His passing was due to conditions brought on by inclusion-body myositis, an autoimmune disease.

He was born to Alfred and Hazel (Vogel) Drone on Dec. 30, 1933, in Springfield. He was a licensed CPA in Indiana and Illinois. He worked for several private accounting firms before becoming the internal audit supervisor for the Illinois State Board of Education. He retired in 1994 and then served as a commissioned lay pastor for nine years with the Macon Presbyterian Church, Macon, Ill.

Don read the Bible and theology books for pleasure. He enjoyed listening to classical music and all the big bands from the 1940s. He was interested in studying the Civil War and traveled to many of the battlefields during his lifetime. He enjoyed owning classic, big automobiles but especially liked driving his MGB sports convertible. He was an amateur photographer who enjoyed producing black and white prints in the darkroom of his home. He received many awards for his work.

Left to cherish his memory are his wife of 23 years, Karen Camp Drone; two sons, Craig (Leann Taylor) Drone, of Taylorville, Ill., and Karl Drone, of Springfield; two daughters, Evelyn Celeste Johnson, of West Monroe, La., and Laura (Chris) Banse, of Springfield; two stepsons, Michael Derry, of Springfield, and Nathan (Holly) Camp, of Sarasota, Fla.; eight grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

His parents and a sister, Shirley, preceded him in death.

A celebration of Don's life will be at 3 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 2, 2015, at the Community Presbyterian Church, Rochester, with visitation one hour prior to the service and following the service.

There will be a graveside service at a later date at the Roselawn Memorial Park Cemetery, Springfield.

In lieu of flowers, please send memorial gifts of your choice to the following: The Myositis Association, 1737 King Street, Suite 600, Alexandria, VA 22314; the Rochester Community Presbyterian Church, 530 Jefferson St., Rochester, IN 46975; and/or the Akron Area Arts League, P.O. Box 702, Akron, IN 46910. Online condolences may be sent to [earllovefuneralhome.com](http://earllovefuneralhome.com).

The Earl-Love Funeral Home, Akron, is in charge of arrangements and the staff considers it a privilege and an honor to care for the family and friends of Donald A. Drone.

**Charlotte Anne Terry**

Sept. 20, 2014 – July 31, 2015

Charlotte Anne TERRY, 10 months, Rochester, passed away at 12:21 a.m. Friday, July 31, 2015, at Riley Hospital for Children at Indiana University Health, Indianapolis.

Charlotte was born Sept. 20, 2014, in Plymouth, the daughter of Parker W. and Ellen E. (Wilson) Terry.

She attended Crossroads Church, Plymouth, and she loved cheerios, playing with her stuffed cats and music.

Survivors include her parents, Parker W. and Ellen E. Terry, Rochester; grandparents Max and Kim Wilson, Angola, and Roger and Denise Terry, Bourbon; great-grandparents Ed and Nancy Wilson, Fremont, Aaron and Barb Harvey, Dana, and Larry and Ruby Layman, Bourbon; and several aunts and uncles.

Her funeral service is to be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 4, 2015, at Crossroads Evangelical Free Church, 1650 Oak St., Plymouth, with Rev. Collin Seitz officiating.

Private interment is to be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Charlotte Terry Memorial Fund for future philanthropic endeavors for children struggling with cancer.

Arrangements are by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com) or sent via mail to Crossroads EFC.

Monday, August 3, 2015

**Ricci D. Swihart**

Dec. 23, 1961 – July 31, 2015

Ricci D. SWIHART, 53, of Gilead, passed away unexpectedly at 12:24 p.m. Friday, July 31, 2015, at the Woodlawn Hospital Emergency Room.

He was born on Dec. 23, 1961, in Wabash to Jack E. and C. Anne (Rhodes) Swihart. On Oct. 5, 1995, he married Patti Nette in Gilead, and she survives.

Ricci worked at Gulf Stream Coach, Nappanee, Monaco RV, Elkhart, and O&R Buildings, Akron.

He was a 1980 graduate of North Miami High School. Ricci was in the U.S. Navy and served his country for six years. He enjoyed camping, watching races, tractor pulls and fishing.

Survivors include his wife, Patti Swihart, Gilead; son Kevin and wife Amber Swihart, Monticello; father Jack Swihart, Gilead; granddaughter Chamberlain Swihart, Monticello; sister Kim and husband Dave Yoder, Mexico; brothers Stuart and wife Cindy Swihart, Goshen, and Brett and wife Julie Swihart, Bourbon; and special cousin/ best friend Bub Cormican, Athens.

He was preceded in death by his mother, C. Anne Swihart, and his brother, Kelby Swihart, who passed away in 1997. His funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 5, 2015, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Pastor Jason See officiating.

Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 4, 2015, at the funeral home.

Interment is in Gilead Cemetery, where graveside military rites will be performed.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Miami County Animal Shelter, 2202 W. Eel River Road, Peru, IN 46970. Share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Judy Gudas**

Judy GUDAS, 49, Kewanna, died Saturday at her residence.

Survivors include her husband, Eric, at home; a daughter, Heather K. Wallace; four sons, Jeffrey W. Green, Star City, Sean E. Gudas, Rochester, Joel R. Gudas, Pierceton, and Keith A. Gudas, of Winamac; two sisters, Betty Spann, Star City, and Gladys Magers; a brother, Joe Magers; and her mother, Shirley Coon, all of Logansport. Her funeral service is 11 a.m. Friday at the Church of the Heartland, Winamac, with visitation from 4-8 p.m. Thursday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, and an hour prior to service at the church.

Tuesday, August 4, 2015

### **Marrietta LaVaughn ‘Peanut’ Dugan**

Nov. 11, 1927 - Aug. 1, 2015

Marrietta LaVaughn “Peanut” DUGAN, 87, of Kokomo, passed away at 8:57 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 1, 2015, at her residence.

On Nov. 11, 1927, she was born in Indiana to the late Russell and Olive (Thomas) Dugan. Marrietta was a sixth grade school teacher at Western School before retiring after 26 years of service. She was also an ordained minister. Marrietta enjoyed golfing, fishing, traveling, whitewater rafting, playing cards, planning parties and reading her Bible.

Marrietta is survived by her nieces and nephews, Tom (Diane) Dugan, of Pierceton, Janet Dugan, of North Manchester, Russell (Vicki) Dugan, of Rochester, Richard Dugan, of California, Donald (Diana) Dugan, of Rochester, Dena (Brad) Lahman, of Rochester, Debbie (Matt) Lease, of Rochester, Aaron (Amber) Baker, of Kokomo, Kevin (Rita) Baker, of Texas, and Travis Knotte, of Pierceton; former sister-in-law Mary Steller; and several great-nieces and great-nephews, great-great nieces and great-great-nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her siblings, Gene Dugan, Robert Dugan and Beverly Baker; her niece, Becky Knotte; and her great-great-niece, Aylee Foxworth.

Her funeral service will be conducted at 10 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 6, 2015, at Ellers Mortuary, 3400 S. Webster St., Kokomo, IN 46902.

Family and friends may call from 6-8 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

Burial will be in Sharpsville Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Kokomo Rescue Mission, 321 W. Mulberry St., Kokomo, IN 46901.

You are invited to read Marrietta's obituary at [www.ellersmortuary.com](http://www.ellersmortuary.com), where you may sign the guest book and share a personal message with the family.

### **Gilbert 'Gib' Schwenk**

March 24, 1951 - Aug. 1, 2015

Gilbert "Gib" SCHWENK, 64, passed away on Saturday, Aug. 1, 2015, at his home in Allendale, Mich., after a short illness.

Gib was born to Kathryn and the late Gilbert Schwenk in Rochester on March 24, 1951.

He graduated from Rochester High School in 1969.

Survivors include his wife of 42 years, Sandy, and the four sons they raised together. His sons are Brian Day, Scott Day, Derek and wife Shari Schwenk and Steve and wife Kaci Schwenk. He also has two grandsons, two granddaughters, one great-grandson and numerous nephews. He is also survived by two sisters, Janet Copeland and Linda and husband Allen Sherwin.

A celebration of Gib's life will be from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 8, 2015, at Fallasburg Park, 1114 Fallasburg Park Drive, Lowell, MI 49331.

Anyone wishing to send flowers or condolences should send them to Steve's house, 9595 Tiffany Pines, Rockford, MI 49341, by Friday evening.

### **Jill Runkle**

Jill RUNKLE, 56, Akron, died Monday at Peabody Retirement Community, North Manchester.

Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

Wednesday, August 5, 2015

### **James 'Jim' C. Craft**

Sept. 19, 1955 - Aug. 1, 2015

James "Jim" C. CRAFT, 59, of rural Rochester, passed away on the evening of Saturday, Aug. 1, 2015, after a motorcycle accident involving a deer on County Road 100 West, Macy.



On Sept. 19, 1955, he was born in Rochester to James C. and Carol (Holloway) Craft.

Jim most recently worked for Paragon Medical, Pierceton. He previously worked for Topp Industries, Rochester.

He was a 1974 graduate of Mentone High School. He also attended Ivy Tech Community College, Warsaw, for machinist certifications. His passion was riding his 2008 Yamaha Road Star motorcycle, and throughout his life he enjoyed riding motorcycles with his brothers.

Survivors include his mother, Carol Feltis, Rochester; daughters Christina and husband Kevin McVay, Rochester, and Celia and husband David Johnson, Pensacola, Fla.; son Mike Craft; six grandchildren; brothers Daniel and wife Debra Craft, Akron, and Chuck and wife Jan Craft, Huntertown; five nieces; and one nephew.

He was preceded in death by his father, James Craft, and his stepfather, Donald Feltis.

His funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Friday, Aug. 7, 2015, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Lay Leader Michael Walters officiating.

Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 6, 2015, at the funeral home.

Burial is to be in the Mount Zion Cemetery, Rochester.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association 208 S. LaSalle St., Suite 1500, Chicago, IL 60604-1242.

Share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Judy A. Gudas**

July 1, 1966 - Aug. 1, 2015

Mrs. Judy A. GUDAS, 49, of Kewanna, was surrounded by her loving family when she passed away at her home on Saturday, Aug. 1, 2015.

Born on July 1, 1966, in Three Oaks, Mich., Judy Ann was a cherished daughter of William Thomas and Shirley Jane Hess Magers. Growing up she shared her childhood with a brother, Joe, and two sisters, Betty and Gladys. With great pride she graduated from Lewis Cass High School in 1984.

In Winamac, on Aug. 29, 2009, Judy married the love of her life and best friend, Eric John Gudas. Together they shared nearly six years of life's adventures. A favorite destination of Judy and Eric was Port Charlotte, Fla. It was here where they relaxed poolside or went for a walk, watching the sunset over the warm Gulf waters. They recently planted young palm trees at their southern homestead.

As a devoted member of the Bruce Lake Buoy Club, Judy enjoyed floating the sparkling waters while catching rays on the pontoon. An avid viewer of HGTV, Judy had a forte for remodeling and decorating her home. Known to family as "Pretty Judy," "Mamaw" or "Grandma Crazy Hair," she looked forward to visits and

cherished the time she spent with her grandchildren. The creator of extraordinary cheesecakes, cherry delight and blueberry were in the greatest demand.

Left to treasure Judy's memory are her husband, Eric, at home; daughter Heather Kay Wallace and companion Matt Houser, of Royal Center; four sons, Jeffrey William Green, of Star City, Sean Eric Gudas and wife Amanda, of Rochester, Joel Ryan Gudas, of Pierceton, and Keith Allen Gudas, of Winamac; two sisters, Betty Spann and husband Levi, of Star City, and Gladys Magers; brother Joe Magers and wife Rena; mother Shirley Coon and husband Randy, all of Logansport; eight grandchildren, Hunter Layne Wallace, Haylah Jo Wallace, Henley Matthew Houser, Seanna Lee Gudas, Savannah Jane Gudas, Searra Anne Gudas, Bladyn Gudas and Karter Gudas; in-laws Algird and Erica Gudas, of Winamac; and several nieces, nephews and cousins who all adored her.

Preceding her in death are her father, William Thomas Magers, in 1983, and her grandparents.

A celebration of the life of Judy Ann Gudas will be at 11 a.m. EST Friday, Aug. 7, 2015, at the Church of the Heartland, 890 E. Indiana 14, Winamac, with Pastor Heath Hiatt officiating.

Friends may visit with her family on Thursday from 4-8 p.m. EST at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., (Indiana 14 West), Rochester, and an hour prior to her service at the church.

Burial will follow service in the Bruce Lake Cemetery.

Immediately following the graveside service the family will host a dinner at the Bruce Lake Garage.

Memorials may be made in Judy's name to the Fulton County Cancer Fund through the Northern Indiana Community Foundation, 715 Main St., Rochester, IN 46975. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Inalee D.M. Brown**

Inalee D.M. BROWN, 76, Denver, died Monday at Vibra Hospital, Fort Wayne.

She is survived by her children, Merlin D. Brown, Denver; Monica S. Lowe, Twelve Mile, Martin H. Brown, Wabash, and Melody L. Yocum, Denver; and two brothers, Maxfield Metzger, Royal Center; and Dal Metzger, Peru.

Her funeral service is to be at 4 p.m. Sunday at Grace Pointe Community Church at the Miami County Fairgrounds, Peru, and visitation will begin at 1 p.m.

Arrangements are by McClain Funeral Home, Denver.

Thursday, August 6, 2015

**Jill L. Runkle**

May 18, 1959 – Aug. 3, 2015

Jill L. RUNKLE, 55, of Akron, passed away at 3 a.m. Monday, Aug. 3, 2015, at Peabody Retirement Community of North Manchester.

She was born May 18, 1959, in Warsaw, to Roy A. and Maxine (Holderman) Haney. She was married to Phil Runkle.

Jill was the Akron Town Clerk-Treasurer for many years. She graduated from Tippecanoe Valley High School in 1977. She was a board member and past president of the Akron Carnegie Library.

She also was a member of the Fulton County Park Board and the Indiana Association of Cities and Towns. She enjoyed traveling, reading, knitting and playing the guitar. She was known as a daughter of Akron and was an active leader of the community.

Survivors include her sons, Tyson Runkle, Indianapolis, and Cole Runkle, Indianapolis; sister Penny S. and husband John Ramsey Jr., Akron; brother Doug Haney and close friend Christine Lozier, Silver Lake.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

A celebration of the life of Jill Runkle will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 8, 2015, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Rev. Evelyn Taylor Haney officiating.

Visitation is 10-11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 8, 2015, at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to Akron Carnegie Library or the ALS Foundation Gift Processing Center, P.O. Box 6051, Albert Lea, MN 56007.

Share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

Friday, August 7, 2015

**Ronald Simons**

Ronald SIMONS, 69, Rochester died at 1:02 a.m. Thursday at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Saturday, August 8, 2015

**Douglas D. Niester**

Nov. 8, 1949 - Aug. 6, 2015

Douglas D. NIESTER, 65, Decatur, died Thursday, Aug. 6, 2015, at his home.

Douglas was born Nov. 8, 1949, in Grinnell, Iowa, the son of Duane and Barbara (Wilcox) Niester. He married Linda C. Park, the daughter of Chub and Joyce Park, April 7, 1984. Douglas was an airline captain for 37 years, retiring from Spirit Airlines. He enjoyed fishing, gardening, camping, and photography. He did wedding photography part time for several years. He was a member of Tabernacle Baptist Church, N.R.A. and the Pilot's Association.

He is survived by his wife, Linda Niester; sons, Andrew Overheul and wife Aaron and Richard Niester; grandchildren, Peyton Overheul and Wyatt Overheul, all of Decatur; mother Barbara Niester of Rochester.

Douglas was preceded in death by his father.

Funeral service is at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 11, at Brintlinger and Earl Funeral Home, with visitation 6-8 p.m. Monday, Aug. 10, at the funeral home. Burial will be in Boiling Springs Cemetery, Decatur.

Memorials may be made to DMH Hospice.

Condolences may be left to the family in care of Brintlinger and Earl Funeral Home at [www.brintlingerandearl.com](http://www.brintlingerandearl.com).

### **Marie C. Southerton**

Marie C. SOUTHERTON, 83, Fulton, died at 3:30 a.m. Friday, at her residence.

Survivors include her daughters, Diana Middleton, Denver; Kathy Overholser, Fulton; Marty Turnipseed, Carlisle, Ky; and Jennie Moran, Mexico.

Funeral service is at 2 p.m. on Monday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver, with Pastor Darlene DeHaai officiating. Visitation will be from noon until the time of services on Monday at the funeral home.

### **Ronald J. Simons**

Ronald J. SIMONS, 69, Rochester, died at 1:02 a.m. Thursday at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

Survivors include his wife, Sharon; daughter Tracy L. Fraga, Round Rock, Texas; three sons, Ronald W. Simons, Camden, Ohio, Douglas J. Simons, Kentucky, Heath A. Simons, Rochester; two sisters, Janet Flinn, Logansport, Jean Hudson, Solisberry; and two brothers, Terry W. Simons, Rochester, John Goodrich, Logansport.

Funeral is 10 a.m. Tuesday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Monday and one hour prior to the service in the funeral home.

Monday, August 10, 2015

**Ronald J. Simons**

April 19, 1946 - Aug. 6, 2015

Mr. Ronald J. SIMONS, 69, of Rochester, passed away at 1:02 a.m., Thursday, Aug. 6, 2015, at Parkview Regional Medical Center of Fort Wayne.

On April 19, 1946, in Peru, Ronald J. was born a treasured son of John William and Thora Louise Bagwell Simons. During his youth he enjoyed playing the trumpet for his church at Crooked Creek in Royal Center. A 1964 graduate of Rochester High School, he enjoyed running on the track team. During the winter he played for the RHS Zebra basketball team.

On May 20, 1972, at Akron's Church of God, Ron married the love of his life, who later became his best friend, Sharon Ann Zumbaugh Simons. Together they have spent 43 years sharing life's adventures. From their union came three sons and a daughter. Over the years the family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of 17 grandchildren and a great grandson.

Working on Indian Hill Farms with the Everett Smith Family was Ron's initial employment. He later worked two stints with Pike Lumber Company amassing more than two decades of service as a professional truck driver and logger. Ron was a devoted member of the Indiana Paint Horse Association where he enjoyed presenting his "Paints" in the halter class.

At home he enjoyed mowing and manicuring his yard. Planting flowers and trees to enhance this landscape was his forte. Saturday mornings brought on adventures at the sale barn where Ron made special points to visit with his buddy Doug Holcomb. Beginning each day was his early morning coffee in Akron at Good to Go. The weekends he caught up with friends at Pac-A-Sac or Steve's Sunoco. At the men's table they would solve the world's problems and chat about the latest local news.

Left to cherish Ron's memory are his wife, Sharon; a daughter, Tracy Lynn Fraga and husband Robert of Round Rock, Texas; three sons, Ronald William Simons and wife Dalene of Camden, Ohio, Douglas J. Simons of Kentucky, Heath Adam Simons and wife Brittany of Rochester; 17 grandchildren, Brittney Leigh, Kirsten Reann, Haley Lynn, Kiley Anne, Autumn, John William, Ronni Dalene, Jaydin Preston, Jerzey Lynn, Mikyla Dayle, Broderyck J., Ryder Matthew, Brooklyn Marie, Xander Lamar, Dakota John, Izaac Matthew, Kimberly Renae; two sisters, Janet Flinn and husband Michael of Logansport, Jean Hudson and husband Terry of Solisberry; two brothers, Terry W. Simons of Rochester, John Goodrich and wife Janie of Logansport; a sister-in-law, Tina Seidemann of Grovertown; two brother-in-laws, John Arthur Cunningham of Rochester and Bruce Edward Cunningham of Le Claire, Iowa; and several nieces and nephews. Preceding Ron in death are his parents; an

infant granddaughter, Donna Angel Simons; a grandson, Colt William Simons in 2010.

A celebration of the life of Mr. Ronald J. Simons will be at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 11, 2015, in the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 West 18th St., Rochester, with Chaplain Jason See officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 4-8 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 10, 2015, and one hour prior to the service in the funeral home on Tuesday. Ron's family would like you to dress casual, perhaps wearing your favorite pair of jeans. Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Destiny Faith Smith**

April 26, 2006 - Aug. 7, 2015

Destiny Faith SMITH, 9, of 5428 N. 350 East, Rochester, died at 9:20 p.m. August 7, 2015, at Riley Hospital for Children, Indianapolis.

She was born April 26, 2006, in South Bend, to Tracy Lynn (Smith) and Rick Stough of Rochester. She had been a member of Troop No. 00423 Fulton County Girl Scouts, and studied Taekwondo at Rochester Martial Arts and dance at Deb's Dance Studio in Rochester. Destiny would have started this year in fourth grade at Mentone Elementary School.

Survivors include her mother, Tracey Schaeffner and stepfather, Paul Allan Schaeffner; her father, Rick Stough; brother, Dylan Loeschman; sister, Autumn Schaeffner; maternal grandfather, Robert M Smith, Sr.; step-grandparents, Allan P. and Cindy Schaeffner; and godmother, Penelope Wagley.

She was preceded in death by brother Dylan James Stough, maternal grandmother Barbara Smith and paternal grandparents Don and Carolyn Flanagan.

Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 11, 2015 at the Earl-Love Funeral Home, 811 E. Rochester St., Akron.

Funeral service is at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 12, 2015, at the funeral home with Pastor Danny Honeycutt officiating. Burial will be at Rochester IOOF Cemetery in Rochester, Indiana.

Memorial contributions and donations may be given to the family of Destiny Faith Smith or mailed to Earl-Love Funeral Home, P.O. Box 503, Akron, IN 46910.

Online condolences may be sent at [www.earllovefuneralhome.com](http://www.earllovefuneralhome.com).

### **Phillip Briar Nicklaus**

June 5, 1991 - Aug. 8, 2015

Phillip Briar NICKLAUS, 24, Rochester, Indiana, passed away early Saturday morning, Aug. 8, 2015, from injuries sustained in a motorcycle accident on U.S. 31 south of Macy.

Briar was born on June 5, 1991, in Logansport, the son of Phil and Elizabeth (Kerr) Nicklaus. He was a 2010 graduate of Rochester High School. After graduation he enlisted in the United States Army, serving as a corporal in the infantry. He had been stationed in Afghanistan as part of the United States global war on terrorism. He was currently serving with the Indiana National Guard.

Briar was employed at Rochester Metals and was a member of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post. In his spare time he enjoyed motorcycles and collecting guns.

Survivors include his parents, Phil and Elizabeth Nicklaus, Rochester; sister, Brandy and husband Don Miller, Knox; grandparents, Marie Nicklaus, Rochester, Jim and Fran Kerr, Rochester; niece and nephew, Aaron and Rebekah Ward, Knox; aunts, uncles and cousins. He was preceded in death by his grandfather, Floyd Nicklaus.

Funeral services will be conducted at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 11, 2015 at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with the Rev. Tim Rentschler officiating. Military rites will be conducted following the service. Friends may visit at the funeral home on Tuesday from 3-7 p.m. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

#### **Marshall B. Doran**

Marshall B. DORAN, 84, of Burket, died 3:40 p.m. Friday.

Survivors include his wife Sharon Doran, Burket, and son Trent Doran.

No funeral services are planned at this time. Arrangements are entrusted to Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron.

#### **Wilma M. Ritter**

Wilma M. RITTER, 73, of Akron died Friday, at Parkview Regional Medical Center of Fort Wayne.

Arrangements are pending at King Memorial Home, Mentone.

Tuesday, August 11, 2015

No Obituaries

Wednesday, August 12, 2015

#### **Gary Pollock**

Gary POLLOCK, 56, Akron, died Tuesday at Woodlawn Hospital. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

#### **Wilma M. Ritter**

Wilma M. RITTER, 73, Akron, died Friday at Parkview Regional Medical Center of Fort Wayne.

Survivors include her daughter Virginia Pettit, Claypool; son Howard Ritter, Akron; sisters Sandra Snell, Warsaw, and Karen Lewis, Burket; brother Allen Lowry, Warsaw, and Rick Lowry, Goshen.

Her funeral service is at 2 p.m. on Saturday at King Memorial Home, Mentone. Visitation will be from 1 p.m. until the time of services on Saturday at the funeral home.

Thursday, August 13, 2015

### **George Manns**

George MANNS, 74, Claypool, died Tuesday at his residence. Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

### **Grace Alice Rans Lewis**

Sept. 6, 1924 – Aug. 12, 2015

Grace Alice Rans LEWIS, 90, of Mentone, passed away at 6:55 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 12, 2015, at her home.

She was born on Sept. 6, 1924, in Fulton County, to George and Agnes (Hendrickson) Rans. On Nov. 25, 1945, she married her World War II sweetheart Raymond L. Lewis in Mentone, and he survives.

After graduating she was employed in the office of the Lake City Machine Shop of Mentone. Later she and her husband owned and operated Lewis Motors for 42 years.

Moving to the Mentone area from Fulton County in 1938, she graduated from Mentone High School in 1942. Grace was the longest standing member of the First Baptist Church of Mentone. She was a charter member of the Jolly Janes Club.

Survivors include her husband Raymond Lewis, Mentone; son Steve and wife Lenore Lewis, Mentone; daughter Sharon and husband Gary Creviston, Xenia, Ohio; five grandchildren Stephanie and husband Shawn Collins, Etna Green, Gennifer and husband Troy Eaton, Walnut Creek, Ohio, Carey and wife Melissa Lewis, Mentone, Miranda and husband Marc Motter, Worthington, Ohio, Rachel and husband Simon Ibrahimy, Washington, D.C.; eight great-grandchildren Ryan Castle, Hallie Doberstein, Taylor and Kara Eaton, Tristyn and Kaitlyn Lewis, and Emily Grace and Samuel Motter.

She was preceded in death by her parents, sisters Fern Besson and Deloris Enyeart and brother Howard Lee Rans.



Her funeral service is 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 15, 2015, at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone, with Pastor Michael Wilhite and Pastor George Shoemaker officiating.

Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 14, 2015, at King Memorial Home.

Burial is to be in the Mentone Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Gideon Bible Donation or Kosciusko County Home Care and Hospice.

Share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Catherine M. Koten**

Catherine M. KOTEN, 88, Lake Manitou, died Wednesday at Hinsdale, Ill. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

### **Steven M. Reel**

Steven M. REEL, 59, died Saturday at Hospice Home, Fort Wayne. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

### **Gary O. Pollock**

Gary O. POLLOCK, 56, Akron, died Tuesday at Woodlawn Hospital.

Survivors include his companion Tracy G. Pollock; daughters Brittney Jackson, Akron, and Brandi Abney, Rochester; sons Shannon Pollock, Conway, Ark., and Shawn Pollock, Colorado Springs; siblings Mary Jo, Rosie, Craig, and Roger.

His funeral service is at 11 a.m. on Friday at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation will be an hour prior to his service.

Friday, August 14, 2015

### **George Manns**

Dec. 27, 1940 - Aug. 11, 2015

George MANNS, 74, rural Claypool, died at 8 p.m., Tuesday, Aug. 1, 2015, at his residence.

He was born Dec. 27, 1940, in Prestonsburg, Ky., to Ellis and Daisy (Bradford) Manns. On March 21, 1959, in Silver Lake, he married Eula Mae Owens, who survives.

George worked for Dalton Foundry, Warsaw Foundry and Midwest Spring of Mentone, where he retired in 1994. He raised calves for many years. He greatly enjoyed riding around on his three-wheeler, backhoe, fishing boat and tractor with his beloved preceded cat Romeo. He also enjoyed hunting and fishing. He had a great faith in God, and his family was very important to him.

Survivors include his wife Eula Manns, Claypool; sons Shawn and wife Karen Manns and Joe “David” and wife Lechia Manns, all of Claypool; grandchildren Jacob and wife Tambi Manns, North Manchester, Jamie Manns, Boca Raton, Fla., Jesse Manns and girlfriend Tia Clemons, Warsaw, Tyler Manns, North Manchester, Emma Manns, and Matthew Manns, both Warsaw, and Catherine “Cassi” Watson, Fort Wayne; great-grandchildren Caleb, Rayanne, Jacob and Jayden; brothers Lawrence Manns, and Dale and wife Sue Manns, Warsaw, Willard and wife Sue Manns, Akron; Ed Manns, Silver Lake; sisters Annie Grace and husband Luther Bailey, Mary Bell and husband James Overbey, both Claypool, Dorothy Bailey and Marcella and husband Lonnie Dillon, Akron, Ruby Jean Keitzer, Fort Wayne, and Jenny Emmons, Silver Lake; special friend Jack Francis, Burket.

He was preceded in death by his parents, brothers William and Ballard Manns, sister-in-law Ella Manns and his best friend and cat Romeo.

Funeral service is at 3 p.m. Saturday, August 15, 2015, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Pastor Luther Bailey officiating. Burial will be at Akron Cemetery, Akron. Visitation is 1:30-3 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 15, 2015, at Hartzler Funeral Home.

Memorial contributions may be made to Animal Welfare League, P.O. Box 1906, Warsaw, Indiana 46581 or by any act of kindness.

Share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Jordan Anthony Shafer**

Feb. 16, 1997 - Aug. 12, 2015

Jordan Anthony SHAFER 18, Rochester, passed away at 11:55 a.m. Wednesday, August 12, 2015, south of Mentone, from injuries sustained in motor vehicle accident.

He was born on Feb. 16, 1997, in Rochester. Jordan was the son of Shanan and Julie Shafer, Rochester, and Nichole (Griffin) Shafer, Walkerton.

Jordan was a 2015 graduate of Rochester High School where he participated in football, track and field and wrestling. He was a wrestling state finalist in the heavyweight division, finishing eighth in the state and accumulating 99 wins in his high school career. He was currently attending Ivy Tech Community College with plans to graduate next year with an associate degree and transfer to Purdue University to major in criminal justice. His goal was to become an Indiana State Police trooper. For the past two years he had been working at Kroger. In his spare time he enjoyed hunting, video games and spending time with his family and friends. Always someone to help others, he recently became a regular blood donor.

Survivors include his parents, Shanan and Julie Shafer, Rochester, Nichole Shafer, Walkerton; siblings Rhiley Shafer and Paige Shafer, Rochester, Makenzie

Shafer, Walkerton, Kayleigh Williams, Rochester, Marcus Williams and companion, Elysia Volk, Akron, sister/niece, Olivia Neumann, Rochester; grandparents Susan Shafer, Plymouth, John and Christine Griffin, Walkerton, Steve and wife Tina Shafer, Michigan, Howie Hart, Rochester; great-grandparents Charles and Jennifer Calhoun, Argos; girlfriend Zoe Setzer, Rochester; several aunts, uncles and cousins. He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Sandy (Calhoun) Hart, Kenneth and Betty Kaminski, Kay Creviston and nephew, Jude Williams-O'Neill.

Funeral service will be conducted at 11 a.m. Monday, Aug. 17, 2015, at Faith Outreach Center, Rochester. Friends may call from 2-8 p.m. Sunday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, and one hour prior to service at the church on Monday. Burial will follow in the Athens Cemetery, Athens.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Jordan Shafer Memorial Fund. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Catherine M. Koten**

Catherine M. KOTEN, 88, Lake Manitou and Barrington Hills, Ill., died Wednesday.

Survivors include a daughter, Sarah Manley; two sons, John Koten and Mark Koten.

Her funeral service is at 2 p.m. on Saturday in the Good Family Funeral Home. Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

### **Gabriele H. Sterling**

Gabriele H. STERLING, 63, Akron, died at 7:52 p.m. Wednesday at Woodlawn Hospital.

She is survived by her husband Marion, at home; son Patrick Graham, Seattle, Wash.; sisters Hanne Anselm and Barbel Pfeffer, Rockenberg, Germany.

No service is planned at this time. Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron, is handling arrangements.

### **Gary O. Pollock**

Gary O. POLLOCK, 56, Akron, died Tuesday at Woodlawn Hospital.

Survivors include his companion Tracy S. Lewis; daughters Brittney Jackson, Akron, and Brandi Abney, Rochester; sons Shannon Pollock, Conway, Ark., and Shawn Pollock, Colorado Springs; siblings Mary Jo, Rosie, Craig, and Roger.

His funeral service is at 11 a.m. Friday at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation will be an hour prior to his service.

Saturday, August 15, 2015

**Tehya M. Grimm**

May 22, 1997 – Aug. 11, 2015

Tehya M. GRIMM, 18, Rochester, passed away at 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, Aug. 11, 2015, at Memorial Hospital, South Bend, as a result of an automobile accident.

She was born May 22, 1997, in Warsaw to Richard “Richie” J. and Mary (Spaulding) Grimm.

Tehya was a 2015 graduate of Tippecanoe Valley High School. She attended the Warsaw Community Church. She loved riding her horse Cisco Kid, a Walker, and watching her stepdad Heath race modified at Plymouth Speedway and other local tracks. She planned on attending Ivy Tech this fall to begin her education in mortuary science. She worked at Schwartz Country Kitchen, Akron.

Survivors include mother Mary and husband Heath Gagnon, Rochester; brother Anthony Spaulding, Rochester; paternal grandparents Shirley and husband Richard Wine, Warsaw, and Dick Grimm, Rochester; maternal grandparents Gail and Charlie Sagun, Tippecanoe; and step-grandparents Terry Gagnon, Akron, and Georgia Moudy, Rochester.

She was preceded in death by her father, Richard “Richie” J. Grimm, in 2002; brother Christopher Alan Grimm; and step-grandmother, Donna Grimm.

Funeral service is 1 p.m., Tuesday, Aug. 18, 2015, at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker Street, Mentone, with Pastor Dennis Wilson officiating. Visitation is 3 p.m. to 8 p.m., Monday, Aug. 17, 2015 at King Memorial Home, Mentone. Interment will be at Mentone Cemetery, Mentone.

Memorial contributions may be made to the donor’s choice in Tehya’s name.

Share a memory or send an online condolence at: [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

**Leroy Tackett**

Leroy TACKETT, Rochester, son of Christina Wagoner and Larry Tackett, was stillborn at 4:03 a.m. Thursday, at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester, Indiana. Arrangements pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Catherine M. Koten**

Catherine M. KOTEN, 88, of Lake Manitou and Barrington Hills, Ill., died Wednesday afternoon in the presence of all three of her children, John, Mark, and Sarah. Catherine died of natural causes and passed from this life in utter peace. Catherine lived a life defined by clear priorities and a big heart. She valued love above all else. Her husband Jack, whom she met as a social worker in Chicago, was always her primary focus until his death in 2013. The two traveled the world together and enjoyed a rich and fulfilling life.

Next came family. She took great pride in her children and grandchildren, Jake, Graham, Mark, and Kate. She loved gardening. Nature and books were sources of inspiration.

Catherine was always proud to be from Dubuque, Iowa, where her father, Lou, owned both of the local family photography businesses. But she also enjoyed her time in Rochester, watching her kids race sailboats on the lake, going for swims and being happy to let anyone else but her catch a fish.

She also treasured her extended family: daughters-in-law Karen and Marisa, and Sarah's partner, Tom Manley. She is survived by a sister, Lou Marie Hlubucek and a sister-in-law, Jane Kotten.

Her funeral service is at 2 p.m. EST on Saturday in the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Friends may visit one hour prior to her service. She will be interred alongside her husband in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Donations in Catherine's name may be made to the Tiffany window fund at St. Luke's United Methodist Church, 1199 Main St., Dubuque, Iowa 52001 or the Barrington Conservation Trust, 210 W. Main St., Barrington, Ill. 60010.

Online expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Monday, August 17, 2015

### **Shirley Anderson**

Shirley ANDERSON, 68, Rochester, died at 4:42 p.m. Friday at Life Care Center of Rochester. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

### **Robert L. Shoup**

March 26, 1938 - Aug. 15, 2015

Robert Lee SHOUP, 77, of Logansport, passed away Saturday Aug. 15, 2015, at Woodbridge Health Campus.

Born on March 26, 1938, in Cass County, he was the son of the late Albert and Gladys Doud Shoup. On Sept. 7, 1958, in Metea Baptist Church, Bob married Elsie M. Button, who preceded him in death on Nov. 25, 2008.

Bob was a 1956 graduate of Metea High School and a member of the Metea Baptist Church. He was an avid bowler and fisherman. He also enjoyed horseshoes and playing cards.

Survivors include two daughters, Joyce Shoup, Lucerne, and Janet (Micheal) Ousley, Columbia City; one son, Jeff Shoup, Muncie; one sister, Clara Alice Troutman, Logansport; two grandchildren, Kyle (Ashton) Ousley, Fort Wayne,

Katherine Turner, Maitland, Fla.; three great-grandchildren, Kamryn Turner, Mason Turner and Parker Ousley; and several nieces and nephews.

One daughter, Sandra Shoup, and one brother, James E. Shoup, preceded him in death. A celebration of life will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 19, 2015, at Gundrum Funeral Home with burial to follow in the Metea Cemetery.

A visitation will be from 4-8 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 18, 2015 at Gundrum Funeral Home, 1603 E. Broadway, Logansport.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society or the Metea Baptist Church.

You may sign the guest book and send online condolences at [www.gundrumcares.com](http://www.gundrumcares.com).

### **Leroy M. Tackett**

Leroy Mathias TACKETT, Rochester, was stillborn at 3:58 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 13, 2015, at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

He is survived by his parents, Christina Wagoner and Larry Tackett, Rochester; siblings Braxton Thomas, Victoria Carnegie, both of Rochester, Larry Tackett Jr., Gina Tackett, Natasha Northern, and Kim Northern, all of Warsaw; grandparents Melvin and Wendy Heeter, Palestine, Norma Brown, Rochester, and Hargus and Evelyn Tackett, Warsaw; great-grandparents Alan and Judy L. Lowry, Warsaw; and several aunts and uncles. He was preceded in death by his uncle, Andrew Mathias Wagoner and great-grandparents Andrew and Edie Tackett.

Graveside services will be held at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 18, 2015 at Oakwood Cemetery, Warsaw. Arrangements are by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, Indiana. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

Tuesday, August 18, 2015

### **Shirley M. Anderson**

Shirley Mae ANDERSON, 68, formerly of Argos and Plymouth, died at 4:42 p.m. Friday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

She is survived by a daughter, Meora Anderson; and a son, Ian A. O. Anderson.

Private family services will be conducted. Good Family Funeral Home is handling arrangements.

### **Nancy A. Heminger**

Nancy A. HEMINGER, 83, Plymouth, died at 5:45 a.m. Monday. Arrangements are pending at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

**Dianna J. Heisler**

Dianna J. HEISLER, 73, Mentone, died at 8:04 p.m. Aug. 12 at home.

Survivors include her husband, Larry Heisler, Mentone; son Randy, Bloomington; sisters Betty, Warsaw, Peggy, Bourbon and Doris, Overland Park, Kan.

Funeral service is at 2 p.m. Saturday at King Memorial Home, Mentone. Visitation is 1-2 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home.

Wednesday, August 19, 2015

**Nancy A. Heminger**

Nancy A. (Drake) HEMINGER, 83, Plymouth, died at 5:45 a.m. Monday at her residence.

She is survived by her sons, Mark Heminger, Bremen, and Chris Heminger, Crystal River, Fla.

There will be no funeral service and she will be cremated. Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos, is handling arrangements.

Thursday, August 20, 2015

**Albertis “Albert” L. Sherow**

Albertis “Albert” L. SHEROW, 76, died Tuesday at IU Health Goshen Hospital, Goshen. Arrangements are pending with the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

Friday, August 21, 2015

No Obituaries

Saturday, August 22, 2015

**Ernest Lee Steffey**

Ernest Lee STEFFEY, 74, passed away Aug. 17, 2015, after a long illness.

He was born in Hammond and was raised on a farm in Rochester. He was an Air Force veteran and served his country in Pakistan. After working 30 years in IT, he enjoyed serving as an usher at Bankers Life Fieldhouse.

He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Penelope; two sons, Brett (Tina), Shawn (Heather), and daughter Heidi Buchanan (Kevin); four grandchildren, Chelsey, Cameron, C.J. and Courtney; three bonus grandchildren, Austin, Makenzie and Madison.

There will be a Celebration of Life service at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Aug. 29th at Roberts Park United Methodist Church, 401 N. Delaware, Indianapolis, IN 46204. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Roberts Park United Methodist Church.

**Betty Jo Keyser Worsham**

Sept. 14, 1925 – Aug. 21, 2015



Betty Jo Keyser WORSHAM, 89, a resident of Miller's Merry Manor Nursing Home, Plymouth, formerly of Tippecanoe, passed away at 5:45 a.m., Friday, Aug. 21, 2015.

Betty was born Sept. 14, 1925, in Johnson County, Illinois the daughter of Oliver H. Keyser and Martha E. (Baker) Keyser. She married Everett L. Worsham on July 6, 1946, in Bourbon; he died Jan. 2, 2002. She had lived in Bourbon until 1966 and then they moved to Tippecanoe.

Betty enjoyed Sulky horse racing and attended the Riverview Community Church.

She is survived by her two sons: Mike and Karen Worsham of Bourbon and Lorn Worsham of South Bend. She was further blessed with four grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Betty is preceded in passing by her parents, her husband, her son Tommy in 1968, three sisters and four brothers.

You may visit and share memories with family from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 25, 2015, at Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth Funeral service to celebrate Betty's life will follow at 2 p.m. with Rev. Rodney Ruberg of Riverview Community Church officiating.

Burial will be with her husband in Summit Chapel Cemetery, Bourbon.

The family requests memorial contributions made in memory of Betty to Riverview Community Church, 3780 State Road 110, Tippecanoe, IN 46570.

The staff of Van Gilder Funeral Home is honored to be entrusted in assisting in arranging the services for the family of Betty Worsham. Friends may sign the guestbook and share memories with the Worsham family at [www.vangilderfuneralhome.com](http://www.vangilderfuneralhome.com).

### **Lucille Joy Teel**

April 3, 1919 – Aug. 20, 2015

Lucille Joy TEEL, 97, of Greenwood for the last two years and formerly of Milford and the Akron and Mentone area, passed away at 10:10 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 20, 2015, at Greenwood Meadows, Greenwood.

She was born on April 3, 1918, in Etna Green, the daughter of William and Ruth (Jones) Stutzman. She first married Wade Whetstone, who preceded her in death, then Wilvin Teel on Nov. 2, 1946, in Akron. He preceded her in death on Nov. 11, 2012.

Teel operated Lucille's Beauty Shop in Mentone and at their farmhouse south of Mentone, retiring after 44 years.

She was a graduate of Etna Green High School as valedictorian in 1936 and received her beautician's training in Fort Wayne. She loved gardening, cooking and her family dearly.

She is survived by her daughter Luana and husband Ted Myers, Indianapolis; son Jim Teel, Rock Island, Ill.; seven grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; sister Ann Burnett, Warsaw; brother Arden Stutzman, Nappanee.

She was preceded in death by her sons, Denny Teel and Bill and wife Susan Whetstone; sisters Carol Rogers Simon and Helen Hall; brother Ivo Stutzman.

Her funeral service is 11 a.m. Monday, Aug. 24, 2015, at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone, with visitation one hour prior.

Burial will be at Mentone Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, P.O. Box 96011, Washington, DC 20090-6011.

Share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Donna J. Yoder**

Aug. 5, 1926 – Aug. 20, 2015

Donna J. YODER, 89, Rochester, passed away at 9:29 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 20, 2015, at Hickory Creek, Rochester.

She was born on Aug. 5, 1926, in Howard County, the daughter of John F. and Dorothy P. (Parker) Kuhn. On June 14, 1969, in Rochester, she married Eli H. Yoder. He preceded her in death on March 23, 2002. Yoder enjoyed being a homemaker. Over the years she worked outside the home at G.E., various nursing homes and a dress shop. She attended Liberty Baptist Church. She was a lover of wildlife, enjoyed gardening, playing cards, playing Nintendo and loved her Pekingese dog, Alfie.

Survivors include her children, Briget and husband Tim Schwenk, Rochester, Gary McGee, California; grandchildren, Timothy Michael Jr. and wife Kristy Schwenk, Brownsburg, Stephanie and husband Ryan Whalen, Oswego, and Melissa Schwenk, Waltham, Mass.; great-grandson, Eli Schwenk, Brownsburg; sisters, Ruth Evelyn McLaughlin, Kalamazoo, Mich., Ella Mae Young, Lapel, Rose Norman, Warsaw; brother Jerry and wife Mary Ann Kuhn, North Manchester; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, sister Wilma Cleager, brothers Frank Kuhn, Michael Kuhn, Terry Joe Kuhn, and Larry Kuhn.

Her funeral services is 10 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 25, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Friends may call from 5-8 p.m. Monday, Aug. 24, 2015, and one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

Burial will be at the Citizens Cemetery, Rochester.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Fulton County Animal Adoption and Education Center, Rochester.

Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

Monday, August 24, 2015

**Hazel Conwell**

Hazel CONWELL, 94, Rochester, died Sunday at Noon at the Kindred Health Care, Kokomo.

Survivors include three daughters, Carol Ulery, Rochester, Julie Haskin, Carmel, and Angie Nichols, Rochester; two sons, Bill Weakman and Terry Conwell, both of Rochester; brother Kenny Baker, Rochester; and sister Betty Alderfer, Yuba City, Calif.

Funeral service will be Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, Visitation is two hours prior to service.

**Barbara Ann Shoemaker Warner**

Barbara Ann Shoemaker WARNER, 82, Richland Center died Saturday at 6:59 a.m. at her home.

Survivors include her husband, Keith; two daughters, Kathy Cunningham and Angela McClellan; son Jeff Warner, all of Rochester; sister Claudette Canzian, Greenfield; and brother Don Shoemaker, Elwood.

Funeral service will be Thursday at 2 p.m. in the Good family Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation is from noon until the time of the service.

Tuesday, August 25, 2015

**Hazel Julia Elizabeth Cromwell**

Dec. 29, 1920 - Aug. 22, 2015

Mrs. Hazel Julia Elizabeth CONWELL, 94, Rochester was in the presence of her daughters June and Carol when she passed away at the Kindred Health Care of Kokomo at noon Saturday, Aug. 22, 2015.

Born on Dec. 29, 1920, Hazel Julia Elizabeth Baker was the cherished daughter of William and Tressie Dehm Baker. Growing up as the oldest of the Baker children, Hazel shared her childhood with five brothers and a sister.

On Feb. 23, 1940, in Logansport, Floyd Weakman and Hazel were married. They shared 31 years of life's adventures. Their union produced three wonderful children, Carol, June and Bill. Sadly, Floyd passed away in July 1971.

In Fulton County on May 3, 1980, Cleon Conwell and Hazel were united in marriage. Together they blended their families and Hazel acquired a step-daughter, Angie, and a step-son, Terry, and his wife Jeri. After 26 years of marriage, Cleon sadly passed away in 2006.

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**Christina K. Keyes**

Feb. 2, 1969 - Aug. 23, 2015

Christina Kaye KEYES, 46, of Churubusco, passed away at 2:15 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 23, 2015, at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne, surrounded by her family.

Mrs. Keyes was born Feb. 2, 1969, in Winamac, the daughter of Mickey and Connie (Lowery) Baker. She spent her formative years in Rochester and graduated from Rochester High School in 1987.

On Dec. 16, 2009, she was married in Columbia City to Seth Keyes.

Survivors include her husband, Seth Keyes of Churubusco; three children, Benjamin Sery, Isabella Keyes and Juliet Keyes, all of Churubusco; two stepchildren, Nicholas Keyes and Hilary Keyes, both of New Orleans; parents Mickey and Connie Baker, Rochester; two brothers, Andrew Baker of Ottawa, Ill., and Rodger Baker of Logansport; grandmother Wilma Hart, Rochester; father-in-law, Daryl (Carolyn) Keyes, Roanoke, Va.

She was preceded in death by her maternal grandparents, Raymond and Marie Lowery; paternal grandparents, Eugene "Curly" and Mary Ruth Baker; mother-in-law Karen Cobble.

Visitation is at Sheets & Childs Funeral Home Thursday, Aug. 27, 2015, from 2-7 p.m.

Burial will be in the Richland Center I.O.O.F. Cemetery, Rochester, at a later date.

Memorials may be directed to kids education fund c/o Seth or a fund will be set up at PNC bank.

To leave an online condolence for the family log on to [www.sheetsandchilds.net](http://www.sheetsandchilds.net).

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### **Patricia Ann Wood Emmons**

July 5, 1935 - Aug. 25, 2015

Patricia Ann (Wood) EMMONS 80, Rochester, passed away at 2:40 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 25, 2015, at her residence.

She was born in Trumansburg, N.Y., on July 5, 1935, at her Grandmother Quinn's home (since torn down). She grew up in Ithaca, N.Y., but her family later relocated to the Ft. Wayne area, where she attended Arcola High School. Aside from seven memorable years lived in Florida during one of her many retirements, Patty was a lifelong Indiana resident.

In her professional life, Patty dedicated herself to the hospitality industry, where she learned everything possible to be a successful restaurateur. She ran, and eventually owned, quite a few restaurants. Her unique talent was making people feel so welcome in her establishments that they felt like part of the family. Patty was always ready to greet her patrons with a smile, and she always enjoyed a good laugh. Her keen sense

of humor, coupled with her ability to whip up some of the best comfort food around, always won over even the grumpiest of customers.

As a single mother with two young children in the late fifties, she eventually met the true love of her life, James Morrison. They were married in 1958, but tragedy struck again in 1969 when Jim was taken by cancer. Patty always recalled the happiness of those years spent with Jim as some of the best of her life.

Patty was preceded in death by her loving parents, Clinton and Laura (Raymond) Wood, and by her dear son Johnny Hampshire, grandson Jason Hampshire, brother Ron and her sister Barbara. She is survived by her adult children, daughter LaDawna Carney (husband Jack), Debra Clevenger (husband Gary), son Russ Morrison (wife Lana) and daughter Laurie Morrison; her dear sister Betty Zylemaker (husband Richard); brother Jerry Wood (wife Jan); many grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren; and many much-loved nieces and nephews, in-laws and friends.

Many thanks to all the folks at Gentiva Hospice Center for providing care during Patty's final days. Teresa and Kristen offered excellent care even beyond the physical. Thanks for all the prayers and laughter.

Working with the Lighthouse Ministries in Lakeland, Florida, Patty was instrumental in helping to establish their annual Thanksgiving Feast for the Homeless back in the Nineties. Patty had always fed those less fortunate as they passed through. Her belief was "But for the grace of God, there go I." Her acts of charity left an indelible impression upon all those close to her. If you would care to make a donation to honor Patty's memory, you may do so at the Lighthouse Ministries website at <https://secure.qgiv.com/for/?key=lighthouse> or by contributing to any of the local food banks near you serving the needy.

Services for Patricia Emmons will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, Aug. 28, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with Rev. Chris Beall officiating. Visitation will be from 4-8 p.m. Thursday and one hour prior to service at the funeral home. Burial will be in the Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Erin Sue Greer**

Erin Sue GREER, 33, Peru, died Friday in Michigan.

She is survived by her husband, Gabriel Greer, Peru; daughters Sophia Violet and Lily Marie, at home; mother, Sue Dyson, Roann; father, Michael Rody, Denver; sisters, LeeAnne Provo, Lafayette, and Holly Dyson, Roann.

Funeral service is at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at the Miami County 4-H Fairgrounds where visitation will be 2-7 p.m. Friday and one hour prior to the service Saturday.

McClain Funeral Home, Denver, is handling arrangements.



**H. Wayne Smoker**

Aug. 18, 1930 - Aug. 24, 2015

Mr. H. Wayne SMOKER, 85, of Louisiana, Mo., passed away on Aug. 24, 2015, at the Pike County Memorial Hospital in Louisiana, Mo. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, Aug. 28, at the Collier Funeral Home in Louisiana, Mo. The Rev. John Bateman will officiate. Burial will be at the Riverview Cemetery in Louisiana, Mo. Visitation will be held from 4-8 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 27 at the funeral home.

Wayne was born on Aug. 18, 1930, in Akron, to Albert and Ruth Bryant Smoker. He was married to Chaume Crabbs on April 24, 1951, in Indiana, and she preceded him in death on Oct. 18, 2013.

He is survived by two daughters, Patricia Trower, Mexico, Mo.; and Susan Beauchamp and her husband Larry, Annada, Mo.; two sons, Michael Smoker and Matthew Smoker, both of Louisiana, Mo.; eight grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Albert and Ruth Smoker; two sisters, Freda Graham and Opal Laughman; a brother, Ernest Smoker; his beloved wife of 62 years, Chaume Smoker; and three great-grandchildren.

Wayne was employed by Sonoco Products Co. for 42 years. He moved his family to Louisiana in 1963 when he started the Louisiana Plant. He had served on the Board of Buffalo Township Fire Protection District for many years and enjoyed sharing stories of his coyote hunting days.

Pallbearers will be Tom Beauchamp, Ted Beauchamp, Tyler Beauchamp, Jason Henderson, Adam Henderson and Aaron Henderson.

Memorials may be given to the Alzheimer's Association or the Buffalo Township Fire Protection District in care of Collier Funeral Homes, Inc., 117 Barnard Drive, Louisiana, Mo. 63353.

On-line condolences may be sent at [www.collierfuneral.com](http://www.collierfuneral.com).

**Barbara Ann Shoemaker Warner**

Sept. 21, 1932 - Aug. 22, 2015

Mrs. Barbara Ann Shoemaker WARNER, 82, Richland Center, passed away at 6:59 a.m. Saturday at her home.

Born in Argos on Sept. 21, 1932, Barbara Ann Shoemaker was the cherished daughter of Claude and Susie Kickert Shoemaker. Growing up, she shared her childhood with a sister Claudette and a brother Don. With great pride she graduated from Argos High School, a proud Dragon, in 1950.

On June 10, 1950, at the Richland Center United Methodist Church, Barbara became the bride of her high school sweetheart, Keith Warner. Together they enjoyed more than 65 years of life's adventures. From their union came two daughters,

Kathleen and Angela, and a son Jeff. Over the years the family tree grew with the added blessings of six grandchildren and five great-grandsons.

With a taste for adventure, Barbara and her family enjoyed annual summer fishing expeditions to northern Wisconsin. They caravanned their motor coach, speed boat and truck to embrace the outdoor fun. More recently their destination was Ludington, Mich. Camping out under the starlit summer nights while making s'mores over the campfire made special memories. Daylight brought on more fishing and skiing over the glistening waters. Barbara and Keith enjoyed wintering in Ft. Myers in the comfort of their motor coach for a number of years. Walking the beach collecting shells was a great way for Barbara to relax.

The matriarch of the Warner family, Grandma Barbara was proud to oversee four generations. She was delighted to host family celebrations and holiday gatherings. She cherished the time spent with the grands and the great-grands, always attending their sporting events, concerts and academic competitions as their number one cheerleader! At home she enjoyed deer and bird watching. Hummingbirds were most intriguing. She always made sure all of the birds and deer were cared for with food and water.

Left to cherish Barbara's memory are her loving husband Keith, at home, two daughters, Kathleen Cunningham, Angela McClellan and husband Kevin; a son, Jeff Warner and wife Jo Ann; six grandchildren, Ryan Cunningham, Monica Huffman and husband Travis, Tyler McClellan and Erica McClellan, Ashley DuBois and husband T.J. all of Rochester, Adam Warner and wife Sasha of Ft. Wayne; five great-grandsons, Camden Cunningham, Aaron and Ethan Huffman and Warner and Wylson DuBois; a sister, Claudette Canzian and husband Bruno of Greenfield; and a brother, Don Shoemaker and wife Bonnie of Elwood; and her devoted canine companion Cody, a golden retriever. Preceding her in death are her parents and son-in-law Joe Cunningham in 1990.

A celebration of the life of Mrs. Barbara Ann Warner will be at Thursday at 2 p.m. in the Good family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th Street, Rochester, with Pastor Mike VanHeyningen officiating. Friends may visit with her family from noon until the time of the service. She will be laid to eternal rest on the family plot in the Richland Center IOOF Cemetery. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to Barbara's family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Thursday, August 27, 2015

No Obituaries

Friday, August 28, 2015

**Steven M. Reel**

Steven M. REEL, 59, Akron, died at 10:16 p.m. Saturday at Hospice Home in Fort Wayne

Survivors include a sister, Virginia Paul, Buford, Ga.; two brothers, Edward “Butch” Reel, Lancaster, Calif., and Tommy Reel, Florida.

A memorial service is 11:45 a.m. Sunday at First Christian Church. Good Family Funeral Home is handling the arrangements.

Saturday, August 29, 2015

No Obituaries

Monday, August 31, 2015

**Joyce L. Goss**

Joyce L. GOSS, 86, Warsaw, died at 2:45 p.m. Saturday at Kosciusko Community Hospital.

Survivors include her husband, Darwin; a brother, Wilbur Nicol, Shannon, Ill.; two sisters, Muriel Buck and Shirley Ritchie, both of Savanna, Ill.; children Ken, Clarkston, Mich.; Greg, Kent City, Mich.; Sharon Duncan, Modesto, Calif.; Larry, Etna Green; Cathy Webb, Johnstown, Ohio; Beth Polsean, Syracuse; Andy, Warsaw; and Jon, Warsaw.

Funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at King Memorial Home, Mentone. Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Tuesday at Bourbon Bible Church, Bourbon.

**Leon H. Miller**

Leon H. MILLER, 43, Fulton, died Friday at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Ft. Wayne.

Survivors include his wife Stephanie Ann; daughter Bralynn Michelle, at home; son Joe Bontrager, Shipshewana; four sisters, Jolene Watson, Nappanee, Mary Miller, Elaine Miller and Lori Miller, all of Etna Green; five brothers, Chris Miller, Mishawaka, Danny Miller, Nappanee, Melvin Miller, Etna Green, Leroy Miller, Topeka, David Miller, Muldin, S.C.; his parents, Harley and Barbara Miller, Etna Green.

Funeral service is at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Tuesday and an hour prior to his service.

**Helen C. Politz**

Helen Claire POLITZ, 92, Kokomo and Lake Manitou, died at 7:40 p.m. Thursday at her home.

Survivors include her children, Stephen E. Politz, Brazil, John "Jack" Politz, Saline, Mich., and Linda Rae Politz, Russiaville.

Funeral service is at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, at Shirley & Stout Funeral Home & Crematory, Kokomo. Visitation is 11 a.m. until service time.

**Sidneigh Jo Carr**

Sidneigh Jo CARR, 26, Rochester, died Sunday afternoon at South Bend Memorial Hospital. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Tuesday, September 1, 2015

**Leon H. Miller**

May 26, 1972 – Aug. 28, 2015

Mr. Leon H. MILLER, 43, of Fulton, passed away Friday evening at Parkview Regional Medical Center in Ft. Wayne from injuries sustained in a farming accident.

Born in Bremen on May 26, 1972, Leon was a treasured son and the second oldest of the Harley and Barbara Mullet Miller family. As one of 10 children, growing up Leon shared his childhood with four sisters and five brothers.

On Sept. 4, 1999, at Rochester's First Baptist Church, Leon married the love of his life, who later became his best friend, Stephanie Ann Cohagan Miller. Together they shared nearly 16 years of life's adventures.

Leon attended the Logansport Church of the Brethren. Dedicated to Keystone R.V. in Goshen, he currently served as a foreman. Leon enjoyed pulling trailers in the earlier years – son Joe accompanied him. More recently it was Bralynn who liked to ride along with Dad taking in many adventures. He also enjoyed helping his family on their farms.

At home from his kitchen command post, Leon is remembered for his juicy steak dinners prepared with all the trimmings. He also created a custom stew known to his family as "Dog Soup." The Miller family annually planted a truck patch garden. Leading the way with the harvest, canning and freezing was Leon, always in the thick of things. He is remembered for his love and compassion for his fellow man and was always there to help his family and many friends.

Paramount in his life was his family. They enjoyed many camping expeditions to Holiday World in Southern Indiana. Many times the camping trips brought opportunities to fish. Leon could be seen seated on the bank, with his trusty casting rod in hand, pulling in the limit of bluegill and bass.

As a dad he enjoyed spending time with Bralynn. Many memories were made tustling, bike riding and playing ball with Hershey. He never missed a softball game or dance recital, and this year he took her to the father-daughter dance. With Joe many memorable moments were made horseback riding and camping out under the star lit summer skies.

Left to cherish Leon's memory are his wife Stephanie Ann; a daughter, Bralynn Michelle, at home; a son, Joe Bontrager, Shipshewana; four sisters, Jolene Watson of Nappanee, Mary Miller, Elaine Miller and Lori Miller all of Etna Green; five brothers, Chris Miller of Mishawaka, Danny Miller of Nappanee, Melvin Miller of Etna Green, Leroy Miller of Topeka, David Miller of Muldin, S.C.; grandmother Vera Bowyer of Logansport; his parents, Harley and Barbara Miller of Etna Green; father-in-law Maurice Cohagan of Kewanna; mother-in-law JoAnn Chapman and husband David of Logansport; three sisters-in-law, Julia Burns and husband Ron of Twelve Mile, Phyllis

Lahman and husband Barry of Rochester, Angel Hanson and husband Scott of Winamac; three brothers-in-law, Michael Cohagan and wife Carrie of Monroe, Wis., Matthew Cohagan and wife Amy of Warsaw and Mark Kimble of Noblesville. Numerous nieces, nephews and cousins also survive, as does his treasured canine companion Hershey, the chocolate lab and terrier mix.

A celebration of the life of Mr. Leon H. Miller will be Wednesday, Sept. 2, 2015, at 11 a.m. in the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 West 18th Street, Rochester. Friends may visit with his family from 4-8 p.m. Tuesday and an hour prior to his service. Pastor Aaron V. Gross will officiate. Leon will be laid to eternal rest at the Fulton Cemetery.

Memorials in lieu of flowers may be made to the Bralynn Michelle Miller Educational Trust Fund. Envelopes are available at the funeral home. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Wednesday, September 2, 2015

### **Sidneigh J. Carr**

Sidneigh Jo CARR, 26, Rochester, died at 4:50 p.m. Sunday at South Bend Memorial Hospital.

Survivors include her parents Greg and Teri Carr, Rochester; and two sisters, Chaneigh Mae Carr, Muncie, and Sgt. Ryleigh Larryn Carr, Ft. Campbell, Ky.

Her funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation is from 3-8 p.m. Friday and one hour prior to the service.

Thursday, September 3, 2015

### **Sydneigh Jo “Sid Jo” Carr**

Aug. 26, 1989 - Aug. 30, 2015

At 3:13 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 30, Sid Jo began her final journey. At 4:46 she RAN to and fell into her Heavenly Father’s open arms!

Sidneigh Jo CARR was born August 26, 1989 at IU Medical Center, Indianapolis. It was with great anticipation, Sidneigh Jo and her twin sister Chaneigh Mae were born to Greg and Teri, with big sister Ryleigh Larryn waiting for them both! Recently, Sid welcomed sister-in-law Deanna Michelle.

Known for her contagious smile and sparkling eyes, Sid was considered a pioneer by many, blazing trails for others to follow. Sid experienced many firsts; most recently, the first to hold her nephew, Jaxon Mezzo, who is scheduled to arrive on earth in November.

From the beginning, her family was determined to expose Sid to many of life’s pleasures. While mostly modified in some form or fashion, one could still count Sid’s

accomplishments as many. She graduated from Argos High School in 2012. As a toddler she learned to ride and showed horses with her family, primarily following the North Central Indiana Youth Mini Circuit. It was there, she was selected by her peers and honored with the prestigious Sportsmanship Buckle in 1997. Against many odds, Sid completed a full 10-year career in 4-H, showing horses and hogs. The girls would spend hours walking their pigs so they would become accustomed to Sid's wheelchair. One year, her gilt Big Bertha never left her side while in the arena! She was instrumental in helping to establish the "Assisted Riders" class at the Indiana State Fair. Due to her inspiring ways, family and friends began a therapeutic riding center in Plymouth. Early on as a youngster, Sid was on the same team as her sisters in T-ball. Later, she became recognized as their No. 1 fan as she rarely missed their sporting events.

As Ryleigh and Chaneigh were attending many camps, it was during this time Sid showed her annoyance and aggravation that she couldn't go too! Hence, among her most notable accomplishments: CAMP-WE-CAN! Thanks to the ingenuity of Jodie and Tina, the first camp saw eight campers, and 13 years later nearly 100 campers enjoyed a special day being kings and queens! While born out of necessity, CWC and her legacy will continue to serve individuals with special needs for years to come. More recently, Sid participated in bowling with the Fulton County Special Olympics. As an accomplished bowler, she would draw her arm to her and cause the string to pull away from the ball, sending it down the ramp and down the lane; most of the time knocking down numerous pins! She was known as the girl with the fan club as she always had folks cheering her on regardless of the activity!

While always facing challenges, Sid's can-do attitude allowed her to achieve one of her most rewarding challenges; moving into her own apartment! The last three years she enjoyed having an extension of herself, with her special friends who assisted her with living each day to the fullest!

Among her expansive list of friends, she is also survived by her parents, Greg and Teri Carr of Rochester; sisters Chaneigh Mae Carr, Plymouth, and Sgt. Ryleigh Larryn Carr and wife Deanna Michelle Carr, Fort Campbell, Ky.; grandparents Phil and Kelsa Carr, Rochester, Pat and Jan Walters, Bourbon; aunts, uncles and cousins, Jodie Simpson, Ron and Greta Lynch (Aaron, Jared and Lindsey, their son Aiden), Craig and Lori Simpson (Geoel and Samantha, their daughters Kathie and Isabella, Garth and Alyssa and their daughter Harper), specially appointed Aunt Barb and Uncle Jer; nearly sisters, Tina Haworth, Taylor Daugherty and Robin Huffman. Many great aunts, uncles, second cousins, extended family and those who were like family rounded out her expansive realm of supporters! Sid was preceded in death by her maternal grandfather Larry D. Simpson, also answering to Gramps.

Sid's visitation is Friday from 3-8 p.m. and one hour prior to her funeral service, Saturday at 10 a.m., in the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 West 18th St.,

Rochester. Pastor Teri White will officiate. Burial will follow in Rochester's IOOF Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, those wishing to contribute may forward gifts to the Sidneigh Jo Carr Memorial Fund, c/o Northern Indiana Community Foundation, 715 Main St., Rochester, IN 46975. It is through this fund her legacy of giving to others will continue. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to Sid's family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Charles W. Whittenberger**

Dec. 6, 1941 - Sept. 1, 2015

Charles William "Bill" WHITTENBERGER, 73, Akron, passed away at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Charles was born Dec. 6, 1941, in Logansport to Charles D. Whittenberger and Vena Bernice (Snyder) Whittenberger. He graduated from Akron High School in 1959 and Indiana University in 1964. He married Carol Ann (Rowland) Whittenberger Nov. 2, 1969, in Silver Lake.

He was a chemist for 25 years for Acme Resin in Oregon, Ill., and also owned and operated a Baskin-Robbins for 10 years in Elizabethtown and Radcliff, Ky. He also worked at Wal-Mart in Rochester. He lived in Akron for the past 16 years, previously living in Elizabethtown, Ky., for 10 years and in Mt. Morris, Ill. for 25 years.

He was a member of the Moose Lodge No. 1107 in Rochester and Alumni of Indiana University.

He loved sports and was a coach for the Angels softball team for 12 years when he lived in Mt. Morris, Ill. He attended and supported all the sporting events, girls and boys, at Tippecanoe Valley High School.

Survivors include wife Carol Whittenberger; two daughters, Diana Carol and husband Paul Wright, Carmel, and Candance Louise and husband Joey Ballard, Glasgow, Ky.; and four grandchildren, Travis, Addison, Nolan, and Cody.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Paul and Robert Whittenberger; and sister Joyce Ann Whittenberger.

Funeral service is Saturday, Sept. 5, 2015, at 10 a.m. at the Earl-Love Funeral Home, 811 E. Rochester St., Akron, with Pastor Jeff Sumner of the Olive Branch Church of God, Roann, officiating. Burial will be at Akron IOOF Cemetery. Visitation is Friday, Sept. 4, 2015, from 4-8 p.m. at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions can be made to Tippecanoe Valley High School Athletic Dept., Attn: Duane Burkhart, 8345 Indiana 19, Akron.

Online condolences may be sent to [www.earllovefuneralhome.com](http://www.earllovefuneralhome.com).



Friday, September 4, 2015

**Barbara C. Atkinson**

Barbara C. ATKINSON, 83, Indianapolis, formerly of Mentone, died at 3:03 p.m., Tuesday at Community East Hospital, Indianapolis.

Survivors include two daughters, April Menzie and Laura England, both of Mentone; four sons, James Cook, Newcastle, Dana Cook, Indianapolis, David Cook II, Ossian, and Christopher Cook, New Palestine; and her brother Melville Miller.

A private family service will be at a later date.

**Allen O. Trump**

Allen Orville TRUMP, 96, formerly of Argos, died at 2:45 p.m., Wednesday at Hickory Creek Nursing Home, Rochester.

Survivors include three sons, Harvey Trump, Argos, Marion Trump, Seattle, Wash., and Ray Trump, Argos; and a brother, Ross Trump, North Manchester.

Funeral service is at 11 a.m. Monday at the ParkSide Community Church, Argos. Visitation is 9-11 a.m. at the church.

**Sidneigh Jo “Sid Jo” Carr**

Aug. 26, 1989 - Aug. 30, 2015

At 3:13 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 30, Sid Jo began her final journey. At 4:46 she RAN to and fell into her Heavenly Father’s open arms!

Sidneigh Jo CARR was born August 26, 1989 at IU Medical Center, Indianapolis. It was with great anticipation, Sidneigh Jo and her twin sister Chaneigh Mae were born to Greg and Teri, with big sister Ryleigh Larryn waiting for them both! Recently, Sid welcomed sister-in-law Deanna Michelle.

Known for her contagious smile and sparkling eyes, Sid was considered a pioneer by many, blazing trails for others to follow. Sid experienced many firsts; most recently, the first to hold her nephew, Jaxon Mezzo, who is scheduled to arrive on earth in November.

From the beginning, her family was determined to expose Sid to many of life’s pleasures. While mostly modified in some form or fashion, one could still count Sid’s accomplishments as many. She graduated from Argos High School in 2012. As a toddler she learned to ride and showed horses with her family, primarily following the North Central Indiana Youth Mini Circuit. It was there, she was selected by her peers and honored with the prestigious Sportsmanship Buckle in 1997. Against many odds, Sid completed a full, 10-year career in 4-H, showing horses and hogs. The girls would spend hours walking their pigs so they would become accustom to Sid’s wheelchair. One year, her gilt Big Bertha never left her side while in the arena! She was instrumental in helping to establish the “Assisted Riders” class at the Indiana State

Fair. Due to her inspiring ways, family and friends began a therapeutic riding center in Plymouth. Early on as a youngster, Sid was on the same team as her sisters in T-ball. Later, she became recognized as their No. 1 fan, as she rarely missed their sporting events. As Ryleigh and Chaneigh were attending many camps, it was during this time Sid showed her annoyance and aggravation that she couldn't go too! Hence, among her most notable accomplishments; CAMP-WE-CAN! Thanks to the ingenuity of Jodie and Tina, the first camp saw eight campers and 13 years later nearly 100 campers enjoyed a special day being kings and queens! While born out of necessity, CWC and her legacy will continue to serve individuals with special needs for years to come. More recently, Sid participated in bowling with the Fulton County Special Olympics. As an accomplished bowler, she would draw her arm to her and cause the string to pull away from the ball, sending it down the ramp and down the lane; most of the time knocking down numerous pins! She was known as the girl with the fan club as she always had folks cheering her on regardless of the activity!

While always facing challenges, Sid's can-do attitude allowed her to achieve one of her most rewarding challenges: moving into her own apartment! The last three years she enjoyed having an extension of herself, with her special friends who assisted her with living each day to the fullest!

Among her expansive list of friends, she is also survived by her parents, Greg and Teri Carr of Rochester; sisters, Chaneigh Mae Carr, Plymouth, and Sgt. Ryleigh Larryn Carr and wife, Deanna Michelle Carr, Fort Campbell, Ky.; grandparents Phil and Kelsa Carr, Rochester, Pat and Jan Walters, Bourbon; aunts, uncles and cousins, Jodie Simpson, Ron and Greta Lynch (Aaron, Jared and Lindsey, their son Aiden), Craig and Lori Simpson (Geoel and Samantha, their daughters Kathie and Isabella, Garth and Alyssa and their daughter Harper), specially appointed Aunt Barb and Uncle Jer; nearly sisters, Tina Haworth, Taylor Daugherty and Robin Huffman. Many great aunts, uncles, second cousins, extended family and those who were like family rounded out her expansive realm of supporters! Sid was preceded in death by her maternal grandfather Larry D. Simpson, also answering to Gramps.

Sid's visitation is 3-8 p.m. today and one hour prior to her funeral service, Saturday at 10 a.m., in the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 West 18th St., Rochester. Pastor Teri White will officiate. Burial will follow in Rochester's IOOF Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, those wishing to contribute may forward gifts to the Sidneigh Jo Carr Memorial Fund, c/o Northern Indiana Community Foundation, 715 Main St., Rochester, IN 46975. It is through this fund her legacy of giving to others will continue. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to Sid's family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Saturday, September 5, 2015

**William Glenn Rhoads**

May 7, 1954 – Sept. 3, 2015

William Glenn RHOADS, age 61, of Plymouth, passed away on Thursday, September 3, 2015, at 8:26 a.m. at Miller's Merry Manor in Culver, Indiana.

William was born on May 7, 1954, in Indianapolis to Lester "Max" Jr. and Beverly (Boheniem) Rhoads. On April 17, 1997, William married the former Cindy L. Kolar in a ceremony in Plymouth. The Rhoads are members of The Cross church of Rochester. William previously worked in maintenance at Aker Plastic in Plymouth for more than 26 years. He owned and operated his own boat shop at home where he enjoyed repairing boat motors. William was active with Shop with a Cop motorcycle ride and the Plymouth FOP No. 195.

William is survived by his wife, Cindy L. Rhoads of Plymouth; three daughters, Amy (Aaron) Bird of Rochester, Tracy Schweisberger of Warsaw, Kelly Schweisberger of Plymouth; and his son Lester E. Rhoads of Vincennes. William was also blessed with five grandchildren. William is preceded in passing by his father, Lester "Max" Rhoads and his brother, Lester Max Rhoads III.

A funeral service in honor of William will be on Wednesday, Sept. 9, 2015, at 10:30 a.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, with Pastor Martin Furrow officiating. Burial will follow the service at the Maple Grove Cemetery in Argos, Indiana. A time of visiting with the Rhoads family will be at the Van Gilder Funeral Home on Tuesday, Sept. 8, 2015, from 4-7 p.m.

The Rhoads family requests memorial contributions be made to Shop with a Cop, F.O.P. Lodge No. 195.

The staff of Van Gilder Funeral Home is honored to be entrusted in assisting in arranging the services for the family of William G. Rhoads.

Friends are invited to sign the online guest book and share memories of William at [www.vangilderfuneralhome.com](http://www.vangilderfuneralhome.com).

**Charles "Skip" Shireman**

Charles "Skip" SHIREMAN, formerly of Rochester, died September 1, 2015, at Northern Lakes Nursing and Rehabilitation, Angola.

He is survived by one sister, Jean Ketcham, Orland; and a daughter, Cheryl Ann Shireman, Angola.

There will be no services.

**Richard Gene Stavedahl**

Richard Gene STAVEDAHL, 82, Akron, formerly of Mentone, died at 6 p.m., Wednesday at Peabody Retirement Community of North Manchester.

Survivors include wife Frances Stavedahl, Akron; three daughters, Joyce Beverly, Claypool, Stacy Andrews, Mentone, and Johnna Kneller, Akron; four sons, Rickey Stavedahl, Mentone, Terry Stavedahl, Warsaw, Charles Stavedahl, Warsaw, and Roger Stavedahl, Warsaw; two brothers Larry Stavedahl, Mentone, Ted Stavedahl, Redding, Calif.; and sister Alice Vining, Glen Ellyn, Ill.

Funeral service is 4 p.m., Saturday at King Memorial Home. Visitation is from 2-4 p.m. at the funeral home.

Monday, September 7, 2015

No Obituaries – Holiday

Tuesday, September 8, 2015

**Richard “Richie” Biltz**

Richard “Richie” BILTZ, 47, Rochester, died Saturday. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Roland K. Overton**

Roland K. OVERTON, 87, Mexico, died at 6 a.m. Monday, at Dukes Memorial Hospital, Peru.

Survivors include four children, Victoria L. Overton, Peru, Deborah L. Overton Barnes, Fishers, William K. Overton, Warsaw, and Matthew A. Overton, Peru; and two siblings, Patricia Overton Hinkle, Washington; and Carl “Popeye” Overton, Indianapolis.

Funeral service is at 3:30 p.m. Saturday at First Assembly of God, Peru. Visitation is 2-8 p.m. Friday at McClain Funeral Home.

Wednesday, September 9, 2015

**Cheryl L. Bowman**

May 17, 1946 – Sept. 7, 2015

Cheryl L. BOWMAN, 69, of Plymouth died in South Bend Hospice House on Monday, September 7, 2015, at 8 a.m.

Cheryl was born on May 17, 1946, in Rochester, the daughter of Kenneth and Leona (Good) Taylor.

Cheryl was a receptionist at the South Bend Tribune Plymouth office and had lived most of her life in Plymouth. She attended Plymouth High School and later received her GED.

On September 10, 1980, she married Garry Bowman in South Bend. He survives along with two sons, Kenneth Utter of King George, Va., and Eric (Jennifer) Utter of Jeffersonville, Miss.; and her sister Nancy (Mrs. Kevin) Bammerlin of Rochester.

She was preceded in death by her parents; a sister, Connie Taylor; and a brother, Dennis Taylor.

Following Cheryl's wishes, she will be cremated. No services are planned.

Friends are invited to sign the guestbook and share memories of Cheryl with her family at [www.vangilderfuneralhome.com](http://www.vangilderfuneralhome.com). The Van Gilder Funeral Home is honored to be caring for the Cheryl Bowman family and extends our deepest heartfelt condolences to the family.

### **Maxine A. Swygart**

Maxine A. SWYGART, 99, of Millers Merry Manor, Warsaw, and formerly of Akron, died at 6 p.m., Monday at Miller's Merry Manor of Warsaw.

Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

Thursday, September 10, 2015

### **Richard "Richie" Biltz**

June 10, 1968 - Sept. 5, 2015

Mr. Richard "Richie" BILTZ, 47, of Rochester, passed away early Saturday, Sept. 5.

Born on June 10, 1968, in Rochester, Richard Dewayne Biltz was a treasured son of Terry W. and Amanda Helen Cave Biltz. Growing up he shared his childhood with two brothers David and Anthony. He was a member of the Rochester High School class of 1985.

In earlier years Richie was a dedicated employee of KOALA Center of Plymouth. He enjoyed helping others while working as a CNA. A fierce bargain hunter and entrepreneur, Richie kept his eyes peeled for clearance items and closeouts, shopping at Goodwill and Walmart. When he accumulated enough product, he would re-sell his treasures for profitability.

Richie amassed many friendships during life's journey. He enjoyed cruising Rochester with the Doxie buddies, Turbo and Beamer, at his side. Socializing and hanging out with friends were activities he greatly enjoyed. Richie loved surfing the computer and Facebooking. An avid movie buff, he also liked watching game shows and classic TV.

Left to cherish Richie's memory are his father Terry W. Biltz, Rochester; two brothers, David W. Biltz and wife Debbie, Rochester, and Anthony D. Biltz and companion Kim Miller, Kewanna; niece Kelsie Biltz and nephew Justin Biltz, both of

Rochester; his two loyal canine companions, the red dachshunds Beamer and Turbo. Preceding Richie in death are his mother Helen Biltz in 2010 and his red Doxie Sadie, February 2015. A celebration of the life of Mr. Richard "Richie" Biltz will be at 10:15 a.m. Friday, Sept. 11, at the gravesite in the Athens-Hoover Cemetery near Athens. Friends may gather and visit with his family from 9-10 a.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 West 18th St., Rochester. Online expressions may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

**Jeffrey L. Huntsman, Sr.**

Jeffrey L. HUNTSMAN, Sr., 58, Gilead, died Tuesday at his daughter's residence. Arrangements are pending at Earl-Love Funeral Home, Akron.

**Cecil Shoemaker**

Cecil SHOEMAKER, 97, Akron, died Wednesday at his residence. Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

**Charles "Steve" Knight**

Charles "Steve" KNIGHT, 70, Kewanna, died Tuesday at his residence.

Survivors include a daughter, Sherry Reagan, Akron; two sons, Bill and Charles; and a sister, Cindy.

Funeral service will be 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Citizens Cemetery, Rochester. There will not be visitation.

**Maxine A. Swygart**

Aug. 2, 1916 - Sept. 7, 2015

Maxine A. SWYGART, 99, of Miller's Merry Manor of Warsaw and formerly of Akron and Laketon, died at 6 p.m., Monday, Sept. 7, 2015, at Miller's Merry Manor of Warsaw.

She was born Aug. 2, 1916, in Wabash to Henry and Eliza (Rippe) Frankstine. She married Robert James Swygart July 17, 1938, in Wabash. He passed away May 7, 1995.

She had been a member of the St. Mathews Church of Wabash in the earlier years. She was a member of the Jolly Janes Club of Laketon. Maxine was also a homemaker.

Survivors include a daughter, Marilyn and husband Charles Miller, Akron; grandchildren Sherri and husband Jeff Johnson, Warsaw, Dr. Scott and wife Kelly Miller, New Palestine, Brent and wife Jill Swygart, Boston, Mass., Dr. Mandy Swygart-Hobaugh and husband Pat, Decatur, Ga., Tonya Clark, Ft. Wayne, Matt and wife Karen Swygart, Battle Creek, Mich.; 10 great-grandchildren, Erin Tucker, Alyssa Moore, Carli Kaiser, Lauren Miller, Kara Miller, Ashley Crager, Austin Crager,

Carson Clark, Ava Swygart, and Colette Swygart; step great-grandson Joshua Johnson; and great-great-grandson Maclain Tucker.

She was preceded in death by her husband; two sons, Steven Swygart and Ronald E. Swygart; six brothers, Walter, Charles, Clarence, Melvin, Robert and Loren; and two sisters, Esther and Betty.

Funeral service will be at 1:30 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 13, 2015, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Rev. David Eaton officiating. Burial will be at Laketon Cemetery, Laketon. Visitation is from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 13, 2015, at Hartzler Funeral Home.

Memorial contributions can be made to Akron United Methodist Stained Glass Fund. Share a memory or send an online condolence at: [ww.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://ww.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

Friday, September 11, 2015

### **Ann Allen**

Ann ALLEN, 80, Akron, died Wednesday at her home. Funeral arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

### **Arlyn “Deke” Boxell**

Sept. 19, 1960 – Sept. 9, 2015

Arlyn “Deke” BOXELL, 54, Huntington passed away at 9 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 9, 2015, at his home.

Deke was born Sept. 19, 1960, in Huntington, to Rex Dean and Janice I. (Boyer) Boxell. His parents preceded him in death. Deke married Linda Palmer on Aug. 1, 1981. She survives and resides in Huntington.

Deke worked construction and retired in 2010 as an Operating Engineer for (CPM) Concrete Pumping of Michiana. Deke was also a member of Local 103, Kokomo.

Along with his wife he is survived by three sons, Jason Boxell, Jeremy W. Boxell and Justin Boxell, all of Huntington. He is also survived by one brother, Arden (Latisha) Boxell, Crothersville; four sisters, Carla (Rodney) Rice, Roanoke, Jadean (Tom) Barnes, Huntington, Rhonda (Melvin) Richardson, Va., and Elaine (Rick) Sands, Huntington. Deke is also survived by nine grandchildren.

Along with his parents, he was preceded in death by one brother, Allen Boxell.

Calling hours will be Tuesday, Sept. 15, 2015, from 3-7 p.m. at McElhaney-Hart Funeral Home, 715 N. Jefferson Street, Huntington.

Additional calling will be prior to the funeral service on Wednesday, Sept. 16, 2015, from 9-10 a.m.

His funeral service is Wednesday, Sept. 16, 2015, at 10 a.m. at McElhaney-Hart Funeral Home, 715 N. Jefferson Street, Huntington, with Chaplain Kurt Snyder officiating.

Burial will be in Star of Hope Cemetery, Huntington.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to Parkview Home Health Care & Hospice or Love Inc., in care of McElhaney-Hart Funeral Home, 715 N. Jefferson Street, Huntington.

McElhaney-Hart Funeral Home, 715 N. Jefferson St., Huntington, is in charge of arrangements.

Online condolences: [www.mcelhaneyhartfuneralhome.com](http://www.mcelhaneyhartfuneralhome.com).

### **Glen Grunden**

Glen “Kenny” GRUNDEN, Rochester, died at 2:13 p.m. Thursday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

Survivors include his wife Jonne Grunden, Rochester; daughter Malissa Sheese, Rochester; and sister Aileen Cardinal, Versailles. His funeral service is 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26, 2015 at Bethlehem Baptist Church, 2114 E. Indiana 14. Visitation is at 2 p.m. at the church.

### **Robert E. Hancock**

Robert E. HANCOCK, 84, Rochester, formerly of Kokomo, died at 7:30 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 10, 2015, at Kindred Health Care in Kokomo. Arrangements are pending with Stout & Son Funeral Home, Russiaville.

### **Jeffrey L. Huntsman Sr.**

Jeffrey L. HUNTSMAN Sr., 58, Macy, died at 5:55 p.m. Tuesday at his daughter’s residence in Sheridan.

Survivors include three sons, Jeffrey Huntsman, Jr., Gilead, Michael Cline, Oceanside, Calif., and Job Huntsman, Gilead; three daughters, Jamie Coulter, Sheridan, Justina Huntsman, Gilead, and Joannie Griffith, Kokomo; two brothers, Scott Huntsman, Kokomo, and Luke Stone, Florida; three sisters, Kellie Huntsman, Miami; Andrea Huntsman, Kokomo; and Beth Riggle, Galveston; and stepfather Tom Stone, Kokomo.

Visitation is 10 a.m.-noon Saturday at the Old Crossroad Baptist Church.

Funeral service will be Saturday, after visitation at the church.

### **Cecil E. Shoemaker**

Dec. 4, 1917 – Sept. 9, 2015

Cecil E. SHOEMAKER, 97, Akron, passed away at 4:13 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 9, 2015, at his residence.



He was born in Laketon, Dec. 4, 1917, to Arthur and Anna (Gerlach) Shoemaker. He was married to Pauline Clark on Sept. 25, 1937, in Akron, and she preceded him in death on Dec. 9, 1986. He then married Osie Shepherd Hopkins on Jan. 2, 1988, in Akron. She survives.

He had been a farmer but he was most known as a self-employed outstanding area electrician. Cecil was a graduate of Gilead High School in 1936. He attended the Akron Church of God for more than 30 years. He was a member of the Gilead Lodge first and then the Lincoln Masonic Lodge of Macy and has been a Mason for over 50 years.

Survivors include his wife, Osie Shoemaker, Akron; daughter Kay and husband Dean Hartley, Logansport; two sons, Bill and wife Lucy Shoemaker, Kokomo, and Ron and wife Jan Shoemaker, Florence, S.C.; stepdaughters Connie and husband Kevin Jones, Rochester, Carol and husband Stan Mitterling, Akron, and Mary Hall, Winchester, Ky.; two stepsons, Tom Hopkins Jr., Warsaw, and Don and wife Beth Hopkins, Akron; 20 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandson.

He is preceded in death by brothers Walter and Homer Shoemaker; sister Mary Sundheimer Fites; and granddaughter Patty Shoemaker.

Funeral service is 11 a.m., Monday, Sept. 14, 2015, at Akron Church of God, 301 S. West St., Akron, with Pastor Terry Canfield officiating.

Burial will be at Athens Cemetery, Athens. Visitation will be 4 p.m.-8 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 13, 2015, at Hartzler Funeral Home Akron, and one hour prior to the service at the church.

Memorial contributions can be made to Akron Church of God or Riley Children's Hospital. Share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Jeffrey A. Melvin**

Jeff MELVIN, 53, Troy Cedar Lake, Columbia City, died at 8:29 p.m. Sept. 7, 2015, at Parkview Regional Medical Center.

Survivors include his mother, Martha J. (Woodcox) Melvin, formerly of Rochester; and siblings Debra Darr, Columbia City, Benjamin Melvin, Columbia City, Robin McClain, Lehigh Acres, Fla., Jimmie Melvin Jr., Columbia City, Mitchell Melvin, Fort Wayne, and Joshua Melvin, Columbia City.

### **Ann Allen dead at 80**

BY CHRISTINA M. SEILER

Managing Editor, The Sentinel

Ann ALLEN, 80, who forged a rare connection with her readers over more than five decades in the newspaper business, was found dead in her Akron home Thursday of natural causes.

For 26 years her humor and wit graced the Dateline: Akron page in The Sentinel through Fleeting Moments, a weekly column. She also kept Sentinel readers aware of any and all other Akron news that came her way.

The cause and precise time of her death were not immediately disclosed. She had been suffering from vertigo in recent months.

She began her writing career in 1962 when she and her former husband Loren Sheetz purchased the Akron News. They purchased the Mentone News in 1964, merged the two into the Akron Mentone News and eventually sold that publication in 1977. Allen wrote about people's lives, the public's business and the happenings of her community. She frequently cracked jokes at her own expense and talked freely about not only her past and Akron's past, but what the future might bring.

"Ann was a real pro, the kind of journalist we all want to be," said Sentinel Editor W.S. Wilson, who arranged for her to join The Sentinel staff. "She had a fundamental connection with her readers. When her husband Bob was sick and nearing the end of his life, she stayed home for several weeks to care for him. It hardly affected her coverage because Akron residents came to her house with stories and story ideas. They knew what she was up against and they responded. It spoke volumes about the relationship she had built over the years with her readers."

She recorded history well enough that she was honored with the Indiana Historical Society's Jacob Platt Dunn Jr. Award in 2008 for an article that was published in "Traces of Indiana" magazine.

When she and her late husband Bob Allen were named Akron 4th of July parade grand marshals in 2000, Kirk Robinson said, "... Ann knows more about Akron than anybody. Her stories, her photos, her old newspapers, she is the person who knows Akron."

Allen was in the process of writing a book about the town's history. She's already written four others, two based upon her early columns in The Akron Mentone News, one about the history of Pike Lumber Company and another about the history of Akron United Methodist Church.

Just a little more than a year ago she handed over the Dateline: Akron reigns to Robin Heckman. "I have the realization that I'll never be this young again and if I'm going to do it, it's now or never," she said of adding more book titles to her lengthy writing resume.

"The thing that breaks my heart is the fact she has been working on a book about the history of Akron. She had been working on it for quite a long time. I was so anxious to see that book be finished," said her friend Sondra Cumberland.

Allen was a mentor to many, including the fledgling writer Heckman. “It came as a shock to me when Ann asked if I was interested in taking over the Dateline: Akron page from her. She had complete confidence in my abilities even when I was unsure,” Heckman said Thursday. “I don’t know if I can count the number of times I talked with Ann in the past year ... I was a little afraid that she would catch on to my inability to do journalism, but she never did and kept encouraging me.”

Ann was a freelance writer and The Sentinel wasn’t her only gig. She frequently contributed to Farm World News, edited by former Sentinel writer Dave Blower. Her passing was a shock, he said, as she completed a story for his publication just last week.

“Ann was a professional journalist; she was a real trooper. For more than 15 years, she has had hundreds of stories published in Farm World and several more in our sister publication, Antique Week. With Farm World, I work with more than 40 freelance writers from eight states each year. Ann was always one of my favorites to work with,” Blower said. “Like many of my former colleagues at The Rochester Sentinel, Ann taught me several things that I’ve attempted to apply to my career. She has been a good friend, and she will be truly missed.”

Her writing also was published in such publications as Guideposts, Grit, Today’s Christian Woman and others.

Over the past couple years Allen also shared her talent for writing with the greater community, teaching skills to the Akron Area Writer’s Group.

Said Akron Area Arts League chief Karen Camp Drone: “Ann was a great friend who supported the arts. We are grateful to her for helping to start the Akron Area Arts League and for letting Sentinel readers know all about the activities.

Allen was named the arts league’s 2011 Artist of the Year for her writing.

Those she knew and worked with took the news of her passing hard: “Losing Ann is a tremendous loss for the Akron community. I have long considered Ann a treasure Akron has been blessed with. I can’t imagine our community without Ann Allen,” said Tippecanoe Valley Schools Superintendent Brett Boggs, who worked with her hundreds of times over the years on stories or pictures. “I knew Ann best as a talented journalist and writer, though she was also a friend. Her articles were always well written and informative. What I appreciated most about Ann was her positive approach,” he said. “She chose to build others up, even when the opportunity to be critical may have been present.”

Allen, known for her deft personality features and fierce pride in the Akron community, was a perennial news writing award winner and prominent in Hoosier journalism circles.

Those awards included the highest honor given by the Women’s Press Club of Indiana, 2011 Communicator of Achievement. She was a longtime member of the club. In 2011 she also was named the Honeycomb Award winner for the most points

garnered in the club's annual writing contest. She was 2004 president of that club and in 2011 was given the President's Award for researching and writing the club history in anticipation of its centennial.

In addition to her women's press club awards, she also has honored by the Hoosier State Press Association, The Society of Professional Journalists and the National Federation of Press Women.

She enjoyed traveling and sometimes took her pen and notebook. She was once kicked out of a collective farm in Belarus and was the only American at a press conference with the Grand Duke of Luxembourg and the visiting Prime Minister of Denmark in a castle at Luxembourg.

The Akron Town Council feted her in 2014 for years of "dedicated and responsible journalism."

Allen wasn't just a writer. She and her late husband Phil both served government. She was a member of the Akron Town Building Corp. when the town municipal building was built and financed. At the time, Bob Allen was the town council president. She was active in her church and was an associate member of the Akron Revitalization Committee.

Allen graduated from Akron High School in 1952 and studied at Manchester College and Indiana University.

She has two sons, four stepchildren, and 23 or more grand and great-grandchildren. The daughter of Margaret and Leon Kindig, she grew up on a farm south of Akron.

The news of Allen's death spread quickly, with Facebook friends far and wide noting her passing and her contributions to the Akron community.

"There are some people in this world that make a difference, so much so that it's hard to imagine anyone ever taking their place," wrote former Fulton Economic Development Corp. Director Mike Busch.

Allen frequently shared inspirational quotes on her Facebook page. She shared this one Sept. 4: "Grief is in two parts. The first is loss. The second is the remaking of life." – Anne Roiphe

Saturday, September 12, 2015

### **Elizabeth "Ann" Allen**

Oct. 8, 1934 - Sept. 10, 2015

Elizabeth "Ann" ALLEN, 80, of Akron, passed Thursday, Sept. 10, 2015, at her residence.

Born Oct. 8, 1934, in Kosciusko County, she was the daughter of F. Leon and Margaret L. (Hammerel) Kindig. After graduating from Akron High School in 1952, she attended Indiana University. She married Loren Sheetz on June 28, 1953. They

divorced in 1983. On July 30, 1989, she married Robert L. Allen Sr. in Akron. He preceded her in death on April 15, 2003.

Editor of the former Akron/Mentone News, she worked for many years as a correspondent for the Rochester Sentinel and Farm World. She also served as marketing director for the former Akron Exchange State Bank. She wrote several books, including "Born Again...but still wet behind the ears," "Someone has to Pop the Corn," "From Ties to Technology: A History of Pike Lumber Company," and "The History of the Akron United Methodist Church," in addition to a number of articles for the state and national publications. She was a member of the Akron United Methodist Church and a former president of the Woman's Press Club of Indiana.

Survivors include five sons, Todd (and wife Cindy) Sheetz, Waynetown; Doug (and wife Karleen) Sheetz, Columbia City; Robert Allen Jr. (and wife Susie), Collierville, Tenn.; Phillip Allen, Akron; Michael Allen; and a daughter Mary Alice Gibbs, Dallas, Texas. Also surviving are 17 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren; a brother, Alan (and wife Beverly) Kindig; a niece and a nephew and five great-nieces and great-nephews. Services will be at 10:30 am, Wednesday, Sept. 16, 2015, at the Akron United Methodist Church with Rev. David Eaton officiating. Burial will be at the Akron Cemetery. Visitation will be from 2-8 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 15, 2015, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St. Akron. Memorials can be made to the Akron United Methodist Church.

### **Jered J. H. Morrison**

July 8, 1989 - Sept. 9, 2015

Jered J. H. MORRISON, 26, died Wednesday, Sept. 9, 2015, at his Fairmount residence.

Born Saturday, July 8, 1989 in Marion, he was the son of Joey S. Morrison and Karen S. (King) Morrison. Jered attended Madison-Grant Schools and received his GED from Tucker. He enjoyed fishing, camping and deer hunting and loved his dog Shooter. He was an avid Indianapolis Colts and Chicago Cubs fan.

Jered is survived by his mother, Karen Morrison, Fairmount; father and stepmother, Joey (Cathi) Morrison, Rochester; sister, Tara (Andrew) Wilkow, Roy, Utah; stepbrothers: Zachary and Matthew Miller, Rochester; maternal grandparents, Janice (Gary) King, Fairmount; paternal grandmother: Linda Morrison, Fairmount; paternal stepgrandfather; John (Dottie) Hudkins, Rochester; niece and nephew A.J. and Vanessa Wilkow, Roy, Utah.

He was preceded in death by his paternal grandfather, Bobby J. Morrison and his stepgrandmother Phyllis Hudkins.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the Fairmount Chapel of Armes-Hunt Funeral Home and Cremation Services, 415 S. Main Street, Fairmount. A funeral service honoring Jered's life will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 15, 2015, at the funeral

home with Pastor Emery Bailey officiating. Graveside service and burial will follow at Park Cemetery, Fairmount. Visitation will precede the service from 12-2 p.m. Tuesday at the chapel.

In lieu of flowers the family requests memorial contributions be made in Jered's honor to the funeral home to defray funeral expenses.

Online condolences and memories may be shared at [www.armeshuntfuneralhome.com](http://www.armeshuntfuneralhome.com).

### **Robert E. Hancock**

Robert E. HANCOCK, 84, Kokomo, died at 7:30 a.m. Wednesday at Kindred Transitional Health Care in Kokomo.

A funeral service will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday at Bethel Tabernacle Church, 661 W. 400 South, Kokomo. Visitation is 11 a.m. until service time at the church.

### **Charles "Steve" Knight**

Charles "Steve" KNIGHT, 70, Kewanna, died Tuesday at his residence.

Survivors include a daughter, Sherry Reagan, Akron; two sons, Bill and Charles; and a sister, Cindy.

Funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Citizens Cemetery, Rochester. There will not be visitation. Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron, is handling arrangements.

### **Glen Grunden**

Glen "Kenny" GRUNDEN, Rochester, died at 2:13 p.m. Thursday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

Survivors include his wife Jonne Grunden, Rochester; daughter Malissa Sheese, Rochester; and sister Aileen Cardinal, Versailles.

Funeral service is 2:30 p.m. Sept. 26, 2015 at Bethlehem Baptist Church, 2114 E. Indiana 14. Visitation is at 2 p.m. at the church. Hartzler Funeral Home is handling arrangements.

Monday, September 14, 2015

### **Robert E. Hancock**

Oct. 2, 1930 – Sept. 9, 2015

Robert E. HANCOCK, 84, Rochester, passed away at 7:30 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 9, 2015, at Kindred Transitional Health Care in Kokomo.

He was born Oct. 2, 1930, in Kokomo, the son of William G. & Katie Marie (Hullinger) Hancock. On November 17, 1963, he married Janice Jean Guy and she survives.

Robert served in the U.S. Air Force from 1947–1951. He retired from Haynes International after 34 years of service. Robert attended West Middleton Church of God. He was an avid fan of the Indianapolis Colts, Notre Dame and the Pacers. He loved his dog, Cocoa, and enjoyed RC flying, Southern Gospel music and the sounds of the steel guitar.

Survivors include his wife Janice Hancock, Rochester; children Roberta (Birdie) and Robert Klopf, Sparks, Nev., Rosemary (Minna) Grafton, Midlothian, Va., Diana Bowen, Rochester, Sherry Robinson, Logansport, James (Mary Anne) Tobin, Kokomo, Daniel (Beverly) Tobin, Kokomo, Rev. Robert E. (Angie) Hancock Jr., Kokomo, and Mark (Angela) Hancock, Rochester; along with 17 grandchildren and 28 great-grandchildren.

Robert was preceded in death by his parents, stepfather Rex Nash, son Chuck Hancock, grandchildren Jamie and Brandon, six brothers and four sisters.

His funeral service is at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 15, 2015, at Bethel Tabernacle, 661 W. 400 South, Kokomo, with Pastors David Cornelius and Steve Branstutter officiating.

Burial will follow in Albright Cemetery with military honors provided by the U.S. Air Force and the Kokomo VFW Military Rites Team. Friends are invited to visit with the family from 11 a.m. until service time on Tuesday at the church.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Robert's memory to the Bethel Tabernacle Church. Messages of condolence may be made online at [www.stoutandson.com](http://www.stoutandson.com). Stout & Son Funeral Home in Russiaville is assisting the family with arrangements.

### **Earl E. Williams**

April 21, 1926 – Sept. 13, 2015

Earl E. "Gene" WILLIAMS, 89, Rochester, passed away at 6:10 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 13, 2015, at Peabody Retirement Community, North Manchester.

He was born on April 21, 1926, in Royal Center, the son of Lloyd and Glades Nellie (Cohagen) Williams. He served in the South Pacific during World War II with the U.S. Army. On June 17, 1951 at the Fulton United Methodist Church, he married Charlene Iris Jackson and she survives.

Mr. Williams retired from Camcar Textron, now Acument Global Technologies, in Rochester. He was a member of the Whippoorwill Community Church and enjoyed woodworking, stain glass and reading. He will be remembered for his great sense of humor.

Survivors include his wife Charlene Williams, Rochester; sons Rodney and wife Lisa Williams, Stacy, Minn., Randy and wife Denise Williams, Rochester, Ryan and wife Amy Williams, Leesburg, Va.; seven grandchildren and seven great-

grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his brother Robert Williams and sister Mary Walters.

His funeral service is at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 16, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with Rev. Brian Sewell officiating. Visitation is from 4-8 p.m. Tuesday and one hour prior to service Wednesday at the funeral home.

Burial will be in the Fulton Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Whippoorwill Community Church. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

Tuesday, September 15, 2015

**Carl E. Junkin**

Carl E. JUNKIN, 82, Akron, died at 1:05 p.m. Monday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester

**Virgil L. Jana**

Virgil L. JANA, 94, Rochester, died at 1:30 a.m. Monday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

Survivors include his wife Ellen; daughter Beverly J. Fish; and two sons, Ronald L. Jana and Wayne E. Jana, all of Rochester.

Funeral service will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday, at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. on Wednesday at the funeral home.

**Janet L. Waltenberger**

Janet L. WALTENBERGER, 74, Macy, died at 6:10 a.m. Monday at Loyola University Medical Center, Maywood, Ill.

Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home,

Wednesday, September 16, 2015

**Virgil L. Jana**

July 28, 1921 - Sept. 14, 2015

Mr. Virgil L. JANA, 94, Rochester, passed away at 1:30 a.m. Monday, September 14, 2015, at Life Care Center of Rochester.

On July 28, 1921, Virgil Leroy was born in Starke County, the treasured son of Albert P. and Bertha I. Fear Jana. Growing up he shared his childhood with a sister, Pauline. In 1941, he graduated from Edison High School in East Gary. Following high school Virgil worked in the Gary Steel Mills as an electrician. Patriotism beckoned,



Virgil answered the call enlisting with the U.S. ARMY just after the bombing of Pearl Harbor.

In Knox, Virgil and Ellen Roberts were married on April 20, 1946. Together they shared more than 69 years of life's adventures. From their union came three wonderful children, Beverly, Ronnie and Wayne. The family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of seven grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

The same year, in 1946, the Janas initiated their career in agriculture. For nearly seven decades Virgil oversaw the planting, maintenance and the bountiful harvest. Annually they planted corn, soybeans and wheat. Livestock was another integral part of their farming operation raising heifers, dairy replacement calves and farrow to finish hog operation. Passionate about life on the farm, Virgil continued to drive his John Deere 630, that he personally restored, as recent as the summer of 2015. With a strong constitution he mowed his yard up until August.

As the patriarch of the Jana family, Grandpa Virgil was proud to oversee four generations. With a great love for his family, he enjoyed visits from the grandchildren, family celebrations and holiday fun. Grandpa and Grandma Jana were always courtside or seated at the concerts, rarely missing school and athletic activities of their grandchildren and now the great-grands.

Left to cherish Virgil's memory are his wife Ellen; a daughter, Beverly J. Fish; two sons, Ronald L. Jana and wife Virginia "Pinky" and Wayne E. Jana and wife Joanna, all of Rochester; seven grandchildren, Jack Price, Fort Wayne, Jennifer Price, Rochester, Lisa Boyer and husband Ted, Edwardsburg, Mich., Laurie Jones and husband Marshall, Brownsburg, Eric Jana, Chicago, Ill., Scott Jana and fiancé Lauren Zawlocki, Toronto, Canada, and Kristen Murphy and husband Joe, Rochester; six great-grandchildren, Austin J. Boyer, Lillian Rose Jones, Carley Marie Hott, Leighton Ryan Jones, Lila Jane Jones, Owen Rockwell Murphy; Aunt "Gert" Gertrude Lizak, Lake Station; and special friends, Laura and Arnie Snipes, Karen and Jim Bryant. Preceding Virgil in death are his parents; a sister, Pauline Cowles; and son-in-law Dr. William H. Fish.

A celebration of the life of Mr. Virgil L. Jana will be at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 16, 2015 in the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 West 18th St., Rochester, with Chaplain Jason See officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. on Wednesday in the funeral home. Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Military rites will be conducted by the Fulton County Honor Guard and the US Army Honors Team. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

**Janet L. Waltenberger**

Oct. 19, 1940 - Sept. 14, 2015

Janet L. WALTENBERGER 74, Macy, passed away at 6:10 a.m. Monday, Sept. 14, 2015, at Loyola University Medical Center, Maywood, Ill.

She was born Oct. 19, 1940, in Logansport, the daughter of Weldon and Frances (Boone) Anderson. On June 1, 1983, in Tennessee, she married Alan Waltenberger, who survives.

Mrs. Waltenberger, along with her husband, owned and operated A&J Appliances in Rochester for many years. In her spare time she enjoyed spending time with her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and tending to her flowers.

Survivors include her husband, Alan Waltenberger, Macy; children Jeff McKinley, Kokomo, Jim and wife Debbie McKinley, Kokomo, Joanna Brock, Kokomo, Jill and husband Paul Elliott, Lafayette, Steve Waltenberger, Warsaw; grandchildren Jordan McKinley, Mason McKinley, Rachel McKinley, Logan Brock, Sarah Kiddy and Alex Elliott; great-grandchildren Naomi McKinley, Collin McKinley, Theodore McKinley and Maddux McKinley; brothers Dick Anderson, Walton, Doug and wife Mary Anderson, Walton, Tom and wife Rosemary Anderson, Chicago, and David and wife Glenna Anderson, Peru; sister-in-law Dianna Anderson, Lucerne. She was preceded in death by her parents Weldon Anderson in 1969 and Frances Crim in 2001 and a brother, Don Anderson, in 2009.

A memorial service will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 29, 2015, at the Galveston Community Center, Galveston. Friends may visit from 5-7 p.m. Tuesday at the Community Center in Galveston. The family asks that flowers be omitted. Arrangements are by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Carl E. Junkin**

Carl E. JUNKIN, 82, Akron, died at 1:05 p.m. Monday at Life Care Center of Rochester.

Survivors include his wife, Patricia A. Junkin, Akron; daughters Carla Hardinville, Missouri, Sharon K. Higgins, Lowell, Karrie Mathias and Susan Crispen, Rochester, Tricia J. Junkin and Theresa Hermann, Mesa, Ariz.; sons David, Cocoa, Fla., and Ron, Sacramento, Calif.; sisters, Carol Miller, Fort Wayne, Sharon Turner, Auburn, and Charlene Hoffman, Akron.

No services are scheduled at this time. Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, is handling arrangements.

Thursday, September 17, 2015

### **Terry Craig**

Terry CRAIG, 49, Warsaw, formerly Akron, died at 10:38 p.m., Tuesday, at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Arrangements are pending at Earl-Love Funeral Home, Akron.

**Doyle E. Kinley**

Feb. 9, 1921 - Sept. 15, 2015

Doyle E. KINLEY, 94, Denver, passed away at 6:20 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 15, 2015, at Miller's Merry Manor, Peru.

Born Feb. 9, 1921, in Denver, he was the son of William Frederick and Florence Bowen Kinley. His first marriage was on April 5, 1942, in Denver, to Maxine L. Walters, and she preceded in death on June 22, 1969. On Nov. 21, 1969, in Denver, he was married to Edna Rita Cornell, and she preceded in death on Feb. 25, 1983, and then on Jan. 7, 1984, he was married to Bette Myers, and she preceded in death on April 12, 2004.

After graduating from Deedsville High School in 1939, he served his country in the Army Air Corps. He was a member of the Deedsville United Methodist Church, Deedsville and the Denver Lions Club.

He is survived by one daughter, Pam Brown and husband Ralph, Deedsville; three grandchildren, Sabrina Click and husband Aaron, Logansport, Brian K. Kinley and wife Teresa, Huntington, and Brenda K. Kinley, Huntington; six great-grandchildren, Emma and Olivia Click, Taylor Delagrange, Matthew Kinley, Dayna Kinley and David Smith; one great-great granddaughter, Claire Delagrange; and two sisters, Eris Gilliland, Logansport, and Noreen Erlenbach, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada. He is also survived by three step grandchildren, Bill Brown, Phyllis Brown, Rhonda Colby; and eight step-children, Frances Wills Overman, Cathy Grice, Barb Jones, Joni Bennett, Fred Myers, Curt Myers, Kenny Myers, and Sharon Hayden.

He was preceded in death by one daughter, Marilyn Kinley; two sons, Terrence E. "Terry" Kinley and Frederick Kinley; one granddaughter, Marilyn Maxine Kinley; and one brother, Blaine Kinley.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 20, 2015, at the Deedsville United Methodist Church, with Pastor Bill Babb officiating. Burial will follow in Westlawn Cemetery, Denver.

Visitation will be from 4-8 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 19, 2015, at McClain Funeral Home, Denver, and one hour prior to the service on Sunday at the church.

Memorial contributions may be made to Westlawn Cemetery, Denver.

**Janet L. Waltenberger**

Oct. 19, 1940 - Sept. 14, 2015

Janet L. WALTENBERGER, 74, Macy, passed away at 5:10 a.m. Monday, Sept. 14, 2015, at Loyola University Medical Center, Maywood, Ill.

She was born Oct. 19, 1940, in Logansport, the daughter of Weldon and Frances (Boone) Anderson. On June 1, 1983, in Tennessee, she married Alan Waltenberger, who survives.

Mrs. Waltenberger, along with her husband, owned and operated A&J Appliances in Rochester for many years. In her spare time she enjoyed spending time with her children, grandchildren great-grandchildren and tending to her flowers.

Survivors include her husband, Alan Waltenberger, Macy; children Jeff McKinley, Kokomo, Jim and wife Debbie McKinley, Kokomo, Joanna Brock, Kokomo, Jill and husband Paul Elliott, Lafayette, Steve Waltenberger, Warsaw; grandchildren Jordan McKinley, Mason McKinley, Rachel McKinley, Logan Brock, Sarah Kiddy, Alex Elliott; great-grandchildren Naomi McKinley, Collin McKinley, Theodore McKinley, Maddux McKinley; brothers Dick Anderson, Walton, Doug and wife Mary Anderson, Walton, Tom and wife Rosemary Anderson, Chicago and David and wife Glenna Anderson, Peru; sister-in-law Dianna Anderson, Lucerne. She was preceded in death by her parents Weldon Anderson in 1969 and Frances Crim in 2001 and a brother, Don Anderson, in 2009.

A memorial service will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 29, 2015, at the Galveston Community Center, 101 S. Park Road. Friends may visit from 5-7 p.m. Tuesday at the Community Center in Galveston. The family asks that flowers be omitted. Arrangements are by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

Friday, September 18, 2015

### **Terry L. Craig-Hyde**

Terry Lynn CRAIG-HYDE, 49, Warsaw, died at 10:38 p.m. Tuesday at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Survivors include her husband David L. Hyde, Warsaw; three sons, John E. Craig Jr., Akron, Christopher G. Baga, Akron, and Shawn M. Baga, Warsaw; two brothers, Herb and Matt Blankenship, both of Ohio; two sisters, Mary R. Blankenship, Mentone, and Nancy S. Aaryo, Akron; and mother Emma J. Blankenship, Kilgore, Ohio.

Funeral service is 4 p.m. Sunday at the Earl-Love Funeral Home. Visitation is 2-4 p.m. at the funeral home.

Saturday, September 19, 2015

### **Richard "Dick" Summers**

Dec. 4, 1935 - Sept. 16, 2015

Richard "Dick" SUMMERS, 79, Oklahoma City, Okla., and formerly of Valparaiso, passed away on Wednesday, Sept. 16, 2015.

He was born on Dec. 4, 1935, in Wabash, to Carl Seth and Carrie Marie (Crumrine) Summers.

He is survived by his wife Barbara (Thorne) Summers, Oklahoma City, Okla.; daughter Monica (Charles) Clennon, Rochester; brothers Glen, North Manchester, Jim, Wabash, Jack, Wabash, Bernard, Ft. Worth, Texas, and Robert Summers, Wabash; sister Helen Roush, Peru; grandchildren Timothy "Richard" Clennon, San Diego, Calif. and Amanda (Clennon) (Corbin) Benzing, Akron; stepchildren Rick Blankenship, Kay Pratt, David Blankenship and Jeff Wargin; stepgrandchildren Eric Blankenship, Jaye Perry, Sam Blankenship, Emily Matthews, Adam Pratt, Harris Blankenship, Hayden Blankenship, Austin Wargin and Jackson Wargin; and great-grandchildren Dalten Chapman, Kaitlyn Reber and Jamison and Charlie Pratt. He was preceded in death by his parents; first wife Charlene Summers; son Timothy Summers; brothers Maurice, Rex and Ralph; sisters Phyllis and Judy; and stepson Terry Blankenship.

Dick served in the U.S. Army from 1954 through 1957. He was a lifetime member of Local 150 Operators Union.

His funeral service is 11 a.m. Wednesday at Edmonds & Evans Funeral Home, 517 Broadway, Chesterton. Burial will follow at Chesterton Cemetery. Visitation is Tuesday from 4-8 p.m. at the funeral home. Online condolences may be left at [www.ee-fh.com](http://www.ee-fh.com).

### **Donald Eugene Holihan**

Donald Eugene HOLIHAN, 85, Kokomo, died Thursday, at Wellbrooke, Kokomo.

Graveside services are scheduled for 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 27, 2015, at Sunset Memory Garden Cemetery. No visitation is planned.

Monday, September 21, 2015

### **Edith M. Langley**

March 13, 1937 - Sept. 19, 2015

Edith M. LANGLEY, 78, Shirley, passed away Sept. 19, 2015, at the Rawlins House, Pendleton.

She was born March 13, 1937, in Dock, Ky. and resided most of her life in Rochester. She was retired from Gentry Cabinets in Anderson and previously worked for Marshall Electric in Rochester.

She attended Cadiz Friends Church.

Edith is survived by her children, Randy (Sue) Langley, Anderson, Darrell Langley, Chesterfield, Todd Langley, Apollo, Fla., David Langley, Pendleton, Jacquelyn (Chris) Smith, Bourbon, and Susan (Jeff) Davenport, Markleville, 14 grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandson.

She was preceded in death by her husband Edgar Langley; son Kevin Langley; mother Mary (Bays) Reffitt; father Robert L. Reffitt; two grandsons, Jonathon Langley and Heath Langley; and one brother and three sisters.

Visitation will be held from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 22, 2015 at the Robert D. Loose Funeral Homes & Crematory, Anderson.

Service will be held at 1 p.m. on Tuesday at the funeral home, with the Rev. Keith Wooden officiating.

Burial will take place in the Anderson Memorial Park, Anderson.

Memorial contributions may be made to the donor's choice.

The family would like to thank the staff at Rawlins House for their special care of Edith.

### **Donald Eugene Holihan**

March 24, 1930 - Sept. 17, 2015

Donald Eugene HOLIHAN, 85, of Kokomo, passed away on Thursday, Sept. 17, 2015, at Wellbrooke of Kokomo.

He was born March 24, 1930, to Homer Joseph and Violet Sage Holihan, in Benton County, Indiana. Raised in Fowler, he graduated from Fowler High School and was class president from seventh through senior years.

He attended Indiana Central College where he played basketball and graduated from Ball State Teachers College with a Bachelor of Science degree in 1952. He was a charter member of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity. Upon enlisting in the United States Navy, he was selected for Officer Candidate School in Newport, R.I. and served as a reserve officer. After his discharge, he completed a Master of Arts degree from Ball State University and post-graduate studies at Butler University. He taught at Monon and Kokomo high schools and served as night school principal and vice principal at Haworth High School and associate principal at Kokomo High School, retiring in 1994. He was a longtime and active member of First Christian Church. Don spent retirement at Lake Manitou and Panama City Beach. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, traveling abroad and throughout the United States. His greatest joy was spending time with his grandchildren.

Don is survived by his wife Loretta Holt Holihan; son Bryce Holihan; daughters Kara (Rex) Gingerich and Maura (Chris) Williamson; grandchildren Tori, Tyler and Weston Gingerich and Ella and Ava Williamson; sister-in-law Janice Holihan; brother-in-law Donald Bailey, of Fowler, additional brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law Lois (Vimbert) Smith, Sheridan, Margaret (Edward) Armstrong and Marian (Denny)

Henry, Walton; brother-in-law Vince (Linda) Holt, Kokomo, and many nieces and nephews.

Don was preceded in death by his parents; sister Mary Lou Bailey; and brother Gerry Holihan.

The family is grateful for the compassionate care Don received from Dr. Salter and nurse Andrea, Southern Care Hospice, and nurse Sheri, along with the staff at Wellbrooke.

In keeping with Don's wishes, a graveside service will be at 1:30 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 27, 2015, at Sunset Memory Garden Cemetery with the Rev. Will Jewsberry officiating. A reception will follow the service. Memorial contributions may be made in Don's memory to the Don & Loretta Holihan Educational Fund through the Community Foundation of Howard County, 215 W. Sycamore, Kokomo, IN 46901, or First Christian Church, 854 N. 300 W., Kokomo, 46901. Messages of condolence may be left online at [www.stoutandson.com](http://www.stoutandson.com). Stout & Son Funeral Home in Russiaville is assisting the family with arrangements.

### **Patricia S. Eaton**

Patricia S. EATON, 82, Warsaw, formerly of Mentone, died 9:17 p.m. Friday at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Funeral arrangements are pending at King Memorial Home, Mentone.

### **Barbara J. Gearhart**

Barbara J. GEARHART, 57, Akron, died at 2:35 p.m. Sunday at her residence.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

Tuesday, September 22, 2015

### **Patricia Sue Eaton**

Nov. 26, 1932 - Sept. 18, 2015

Patricia Sue EATON, 82, Warsaw, and formerly of Mentone, passed away at 9:17 p.m., Friday, Sept. 18, 2015. at Lutheran Hospital of Fort Wayne, Indiana.

She was born Nov. 26, 1932, in Franklin Township, Kosciusko County, to Gerald and Reatha (Jefferies) Ballenger.

On June 13, 1951, Patricia Ballenger married Mickey D. Eaton in Denver, Colo.

She was a 1951 graduate of Beaver Dam High School. She attended the Pleasant View Bible Church in Warsaw and previously attended the Riverview Community Church of Tippecanoe. She was accomplished in the arts of needlework and quilting, skills she learned at an early age from her Grandmother Ballenger.

Survivors include her son, Kevin and wife Debra Eaton, Texas; three grandchildren, Joshua, Tricia and Jeramy; sister Diana and husband, Larry Nellans, Florida; brother-in-law Jerry and wife Barbara Eaton; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Mickey Eaton, on May 19, 2015, son Kim on Dec. 27, 2006, and her parents.

Funeral service will be at 11 a.m., Friday, Sept. 25, 2015, with Pastor Rodney Ruberg officiating. Visitation is 10-11 a.m., prior to the service at King Memorial Home, Mentone, with burial taking place at the Mentone Cemetery.

Arrangements have been entrusted to King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone.

Memorial Contributions may be made to Riverview Community Church.

Share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Hazel Brown**

Hazel BROWN, 85, Warsaw, died at 1:55 a.m. Sept. 21, 2015 at Woodlawn Hospital.

Arrangements are pending at Earl-Love Funeral Home, Akron.

### **Barbara J. Gearhart**

Aug. 21, 1958 - Sept. 20, 2015

Barbara J. GEARHART, 57, Silver Lake, passed away at 2:35 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 20, 2015, at her deceased father's residence.

She was born Aug. 21, 1958, in Rochester. She is the daughter of Robert D. and Catherine Rose (Harris) Gearhart. She married twice. She worked for Wabash Valley Manufacturing of Silver Lake for more than 15 years.

She enjoyed collecting Beanie Babies, coins and many animals.

She is survived by two sons, Randolph Witham and James Gearhart, both of Silver Lake, and four grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her son, Robert Witham. Funeral service is Thursday, Sept. 24, 2015, at 10:30 a.m. at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron.

Burial will follow the service at Silver Creek Cemetery, Silver Lake.

Visitation is 5 p.m.-7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 23, 2015, Hartzler Funeral Home.

The family suggests memorials be given to any animal shelter of the donor's choice.

You may share memories or send online condolences at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

Wednesday, September 23, 2015



**Susan R. Yost**

Aug. 8, 1930 - Sept. 20, 2015

Susan R. YOST, 85, Dayton, died Sunday, Sept. 20, 2015, at the Mulberry Health and Rehabilitation Center, Mulberry.

Susan was born to Dr. Charles L. Richardson and Ruth D. Richardson, who preceded her. She married Robert W. Yost on Aug. 28, 1974, in Indianapolis. Susan worked as an administrative assistant at Purdue University, West Lafayette. Her hobbies included collecting buttons. She was a past president of the Indiana Button Society and a Life Member of the National Button Society. She was a member of Memorial Presbyterian Church of Dayton.

She is survived by her husband of 41 years, Robert W. Yost; her sister, Beth Oliver, Salt Lake City, Utah; her sons, Steven W. Leininger and wife Susanne, Woodland Park, Colo., David R. Leininger and wife Victoria, Dayton, and daughter Sharon K. Lunseth and husband Richard, Indianapolis; three stepdaughters and a stepson; seven grandchildren, Anne Streng and husband Brandon, Irving, Texas, Mike Leininger, Houston, Texas, Christine Vandehey and husband Marc, Austin, Texas, Chelsea Leininger, Charleston, S.C., Noah Leininger, Columbus, Calvin Lunseth and Chas Lunseth, Indianapolis. Her great-grandchildren are Taylor Streng and Kaitlyn Streng, Irving, Texas and Murdoc Vandehey and Allister Vandehey, Austin, Texas.

Susan was preceded in death by her parents; her brother, Dr. Joseph D. Richardson; and one grandson, R. Jared Leininger.

Visitation is Saturday, Sept. 26, 2015, at 1-3 p.m. at Soller-Baker Lafayette Chapel, 400 Twyckenham Blvd., Lafayette. Funeral service will follow at 3 p.m. with Rev. Justin I. Schlesinger-Delvin officiating. Interment will be at Wyandotte Cemetery, Lafayette.

The family requests memorial donations be made in Susan's name to United Cerebral Palsy Association of Greater Indiana – [ucpaindy.org](http://ucpaindy.org) – in lieu of flowers.

**Debra Cuthbert**

Debra A. CUTHBERT, 62, Rochester, died at 6:55 a.m. Sunday at her home.

She is survived by her sons, David Carrell, Rochester, Brian Carrell, Kewanna, Ross Carrell, Jackson, Mich., and Jerry Cuthbert, Fulton; her mother, Fern Woodring, Kokomo; sisters Fern Fennell, Bonnie Virden, Cecilia Clinton, Millie McKenna, Pam Frazee, Melodie Jennings; and brother Charles Woodring.

Visitation is 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Thursday at Ellers Mortuary, 3400 S. Webster St., Kokomo. Graveside service is at 1 p.m. Thursday at Kokomo Memorial Park Cemetery.

Thursday, September 24, 2015

**Glen “Kenny” Grunden**

Aug. 11, 1935 - Sept. 10, 2015

Glen “Kenny” GRUNDEN, 80, Rochester, died Thursday, Sept. 10, 2015, at Life Care Center, Rochester.

He was born Aug. 11, 1935, in Milltown to Everet and Francis Grunden. On April 22, 2015, he married Jonne VanHook in Goshen. Glen had been an over-the-road truck driver for 50 years. He was a member of the Bethlehem Baptist Church and the Holton Masonic Lodge. He served his country in the Korean War in the U.S. Army. He loved NASCAR racing and traveling the Western United States with his wife.

Glen is survived by his wife Jonne Grunden, Rochester; daughter, Malissa Sheese, Rochester; son-in-law Brian Sheese, Poland; grandson Austin Keyt, Rochester and granddaughter Ashley Sheese, Poland; sister Aileen Cardinal and her husband Jim, Versailles; several nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, William and Charles; sister Eillen Zaphé.

Visitation is 2-2:30 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 26, 2015, with funeral service following at 2:30 p.m. at Bethlehem Baptist Church, which meets at T&T Rent-All, 2111 Indiana 14. Rev. Phil Pratt is officiating. Funeral arrangements are entrusted to Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron. Memorial contributions can be made to Bethlehem Baptist Church. Memories and online condolences can be shared at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

**Marilyn J. Moon**

Marilyn J. MOON, 88, Logansport, died Tuesday, Sept. 22, 2015, at her daughter’s home near Frankfort.

She is survived by three children, Pamela Hines, Royal Center, John Moon, Peru, and Nancy Carter, Frankfurt. She was preceded in death by two siblings, Louise Miller and Thomas Spencer.

Funeral service is Monday, Sept. 28, 2015, at 10:30 a.m. at Corinth Brethren Church, Twelve Mile. Visitation is 2-6 p.m. Sunday at the McClain Funeral Home, Denver.

**Joan Welborn Zent**

Joan Welborn ZENT, 85, died Wednesday, Sept. 23, 2015 at Miller’s Merry Manor, Warsaw, formerly of Mentone.

King Memorial Home, Mentone, is handling arrangements.

Friday, September 25, 2015

**Hazel Brown**

July 21, 1930 - Sept. 21 2015

Hazel BROWN, 85, 5485 N. 500 East, Rochester, died Sept. 21, 2015, at Woodlawn Hospital.

She was born July 21, 1930, in Prestonsburg, Ky. to Sam and Verlie Wireman. She lived in the states of Ohio and Kentucky, then Indiana. She lived in Warsaw for 16 years prior to moving to Rochester two years ago.

Her first husband was Vernon Ousley. She then married Mitchell Bolen. After a divorce she married Paul Brown. Hazel was a factory worker for 33 years at Torin Brookside and retired in 1992. She was a member of the FOE – Eagles Lodge #852 of Rochester. She enjoyed gardening and putting together puzzles.

Hazel is survived by her second husband, Mitchell Bolen; daughter Frances Rhodes and husband Gary, Rochester; two grandchildren, Jason Rhodes, Erin Rhodes and her fiance Jared Ganshorn; and six great-grandchildren, Austin, Braxton, Skyler, Annie, Braydon, and Eli. She is preceded in death by her parents; husbands Vernon Ousley and Paul Brown; her son Curtis E. Ousley; brother Milton Wallen and sister Adie Moore. A private, graveside service was Tuesday, Sept. 22, 2015 at the Oakwood Cemetery in Warsaw. Pastor Robert Brown of God's Highway to Heaven Church officiated. Online condolences may be sent to [www.earlovefuneralhome.com](http://www.earlovefuneralhome.com). Memorial contributions may be made to the donor's choice.

**Donald Eugene Holihan**

Donald Eugene HOLIHAN, 85, Kokomo, passed away Thursday, Sept. 17, 2015, at Wellbrooke of Kokomo.

Graveside services are scheduled for 1:30 p.m. Sept. 27, 2015, at Sunset Memory Garden Cemetery. Messages of condolence may be left online at [www.stoutandson.com](http://www.stoutandson.com).

**Joan Welborn Zent**

Joan Welborn ZENT, 85, formerly of Mentone, died Wednesday, Sept. 23, 2015 at Miller's Merry Manor, Warsaw.

Joan is survived by two sons, Ernie Welborn, Big Bend, Wisc. and Gary L. Welborn, Bourbon. Visitation is Sunday, Sept. 27, 2015, from 12 - 2 p.m. at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone. The funeral service will follow at 2 p.m.

Saturday, September 26, 2015

**Eugene Hardy-Dock McCarty**

April 26, 2015 - Sept. 24, 2015

Eugene Hardy-Dock McCARTY, 5 months, Logansport, passed away Thursday, Sept. 24, 2015, at home.

Eugene was born April 26, 2015, in Logansport to Timothy and Kristyn Lynn (Wert) McCarty. Eugene is survived by his parents and one sister, Tierney McCarty, Logansport; one brother, Brayden McCarty, Logansport; maternal grandparents Peggy and Randy Graves, Logansport; paternal grandparents Tim and Falinda McCarty, Adrian, Mich.; great-grandparents Jim and Dianne Smith, Plymouth, Judy Ort, Morenci, Mich. and Wilma McCarty, Morenci, Mich.; great-great-grandfather Jack Arnett; aunts and uncles, Andrew Wert, Phillip Graves and wife Shelby, Whitne Campbell and husband Justin, Mikaela McCarty, Jessica Ulery and husband Eric, Deb Hartwell and husband Floyd, Dean Garver and wife Kathy, Penny Garver, Brett Wiltfong, David Garver and wife Lorri, Pat Garver and wife Tana, Kari Sherwood, John Rorick and wife Andi, Kassandra Dominique; great-aunts and great-uncles Carl Graves, Ron Graves and wife Judi, Lynn Graves, Shane Graves and wife Tina, Brad Graves, Tammy Clark, Todd McCarty and Ted McCarty and wife Kim; and several cousins.

He was preceded in death by maternal grandfather Del Wert; great-grandparents John Rorick, Dock McCarty, Hardy Wert, Velma Wert and Richard Ort; great-great-grandmothers Patricia Arnett and Jeanette Hunter; and uncles Delton Wert Jr. and Rob Wert.

A funeral service celebrating the life of Eugene McCarty will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 29 in Fisher Funeral Chapel, 1801 Chase Road, Logansport with Pastor Don Cline officiating. Burial, at a later date, will be in Mount Hope Cemetery's Baby Walk, Logansport. Friends may call from 5 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 29 until the time of the service in the funeral chapel. Memorials may be made to the Eugene McCarty fund at Beacon Credit Union, 216 Mall Road, Logansport, IN 46947. You may share condolences and view his video tribute at [www.fisherfuneralchapel.com](http://www.fisherfuneralchapel.com).

### **Helen F. Frost**

June 7, 1921 - Sept. 24, 2015

Helen F. FROST, 94, Rochester, formerly of Lake Station, passed away Thursday, Sept. 24, 2015, with her family at her side.

She was born June 7, 1921 in Elwood to the late George "Ray" and Audrey (Odom) Gosnell. Helen was a licensed beautician who worked several years for Loenstein's Department Store in Valparaiso as well as many other shops in the area. She loved her family and playing all types of card games.

Helen is survived by her loving son James Frost and wife Debbie Frost, Rochester; five grandchildren, John Frost and wife Jessica, Parker, Colo., Jeff Frost, Chicago, Ill., Kyle Frost, Kansas City, Mo., Allison Doerffler and husband Jason, Fort

Wayne and Zac Gottschalk, Fort Wayne. She was preceded in death by her loving husband Billie E. Frost and her parents.

Visitation is 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday, Sept. 28, 2015, at Rees Funeral Home, 600 W. Old Ridge Road, Hobart. The funeral service follows at 1 p.m. Burial is at Graceland Cemetery. Online condolences may be submitted at [www.reesfuneralhomes.com](http://www.reesfuneralhomes.com).

### **Lora Pinder**

Lora PINDER, 103, Kewanna, formerly of Culver died Thursday at Miller's Merry Manor, Culver. Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna.

Monday, September 28, 2015

No Obituaries

Tuesday, September 29, 2015

### **Mark Polen**

Mark POLEN, 23, Lucerne died Monday at his home. Funeral Arrangements are pending. Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Royal Center.

Wednesday, September 30, 2015

### **Keith Conrad**

Keith Allen CONRAD, 64, Peru, died Tuesday, Sept. 29, 2015, in Indianapolis.

He is survived by his wife Jane Conrad, Peru; two sons, Kevin Conrad and Joshua Conrad, both of Peru.

Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Thursday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver. Funeral service is Friday, Oct. 2, 2015, at 3:30 p.m. at the funeral home.

### **Fay Pinder**

Dec. 12, 1911 – Sept. 24, 2015

Fay PINDER, 103, Culver, formerly of Kewanna, passed away Thursday, Sept. 24, 2015, at Miller's Merry Manor, Culver.

Born on Dec. 12, 1911, in Grass Creek, she was the daughter of the late George and Raychel (Newman) Koenig.

She was a 1929 Kewanna High School graduate. On Oct. 20, 1934, she married Harold Pinder. Fay formerly worked at the Kewanna Union Township and Fulton

Schools in the cafeteria as the Head Cook and at Winamac Coil Spring in Kewanna. She was well known for the delicious pies she made that were served at Pinder's Restaurant in Culver. She enjoyed working crossword puzzles. She was a member of Grass Creek United Methodist Church and was a member of the Ladies Aid. She also attended Wesley United Methodist Church, Culver.

Survivors include her sons, Ed Pinder and wife Lora Ann, Culver, Richard "Dick" Pinder and wife June, Crossville, Tenn., Jerry Pinder and wife Bev, Plymouth and David Pinder, South Bend; numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband Harold Pinder; son, Robert W. Pinder; brothers, Floyd and Roy; sisters, Carrie, Ella, May, Rosie, Ruby, Anna and Bessie; grandchildren, Elizabeth Slocum, Deanna Hale and Kerry Pinder.

Visitation is at 11-1 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 3, 2015, at Harrison-MetzgerRans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel. Funeral service follows at 1 p.m. with Pastor David Sommers officiating. Burial is at Kewanna Citizens IOOF Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Grass Creek United Methodist Church. You may sign the online guest book or leave condolence for the Pinder family at [www.ransfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com).

### **Mark Allen Polen**

Sept. 28, 1992 - Sept. 28, 2015

Mark Allen POLEN, 23, Lucerne, passed away, Monday, Sept. 28, 2015, at his home after a 10-year courageous battle with cancer.

He was born on Sept. 28, 1992, in Logansport. He was the son of Terry and Holly (Norman) Polen.

Mark was a 2012 Pioneer High School graduate. He played youth league baseball growing up, and he wrestled and played football for Pioneer High School. He was also a member of 4-H. Mark farmed with his dad, and he enjoyed hunting, fishing, attending diesel truck and tractor pulls and bow fishing.

Survivors include his parents, Terry and Holly Polen, Lucerne; brother, Nicholas Polen, Lucerne, and sister, Danielle Henry and husband Josh, Wisconsin; numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and many friends. He was preceded in death by brother, David Allen Polen; grandparents, Allen and Velva Jean Polen and John and Jean Norman. Visitation is 4-8 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 30, 2015, at the Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Royal Center. Funeral service is at 10 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 1, 2015, at the Funeral Home Chapel, Royal Center, with Pastor Tim Minnick officiating. Burial is at Kewanna Citizens IOOF Cemetery. You may sign the online guestbook or leave condolence for Polen family at [www.ransfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com).

Thursday, October 1, 2015

No Obituaries

Friday, October 2, 2015

**Billy Joe Alter**

July 28, 1936 - Sept. 30, 2015

Billy Joe ALTER, 79, Macy, died Wednesday, Sept. 30, 2015, at Howard Community Hospital, Kokomo.

He was born July 28, 1936, in Frankfort to the late Ray and Iretha (Melling) Alter. On Feb. 8, 1989, he married Doris A. Stinson in Nashville, Tenn.

Billy worked for Delco for 32 years. He retired in 1988. He enjoyed fishing, coon hunting, camping, wintering in Florida and vacation trips with his family.

Billy is survived by his wife Doris; a daughter, Debra Hodgen and husband Peter, Frankfort; two sons, Randy Alter, Fort Wayne and Alva Ray Alter, Logansport; two stepdaughters, Cynthia Culbertson and husband Brian, Camden, and Alice Holdren and husband Mark, Lake Wells, Fla.; stepson Cliff Stinson and wife Sue, Sebring, Fla.; three brothers, Charlie Alter and wife Peggy, Kokomo, Phil Alter and companion Margaret, Macy, Mike Alter; sister Joyce Huffer and wife Larry, Peru; six grandchildren; four stepgrandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and three stepgreat-grandchildren.

Visitation is 2-6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 3, 2015, at Gundrum Funeral Home, 1603 E. Broadway, Logansport. There will be no funeral service.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society. You may sign the guestbook and send online condolences at [www.gundrumcares.com](http://www.gundrumcares.com)

**Dale Sommers**

H. Dale SOMMERS, 71, Rochester, died Thursday, Oct. 1, 2015, at his home.

Dale is survived by two daughters, Erica Delgadillo, Fort Collins, Colo., and Bettina Kay Sullivan, Rochester; a son, Scott Sommers, Rochester.

There will be a private service with interment at IOOF Cemetery, Rochester. Good Family Funeral Home is handling funeral arrangements.

**Gene Conley**

Gene F. CONLEY 75, Rochester, died Thursday, Oct. 1, 2015, at his home. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

Saturday, October 3, 2015

**H. Dale Sommers**

Feb. 27, 1944 – Oct. 1, 2015

Mr. H. Dale SOMMERS, 71, Rochester, passed away at 6:15 AM, Thursday, Oct. 1, 2015, at his residence.



In Peru, on Feb. 27, 1944, Homer Dale was born to Daniel A. and Beulah F. Lockridge Sommers. Growing up, he shared his childhood with a brother Donald. He attended Woodrow School and graduated from Rochester High School.

Passionate about agriculture, Dale pursued a career as a lifelong farmer. He took great pride in overseeing his farming operation and helping many neighbors and friends. Each spring he climbed aboard his John Deere to turn the soil, plowing and disking in preparations for planting corn, soybeans and sometimes wheat. Crisp autumn weather brought on the bountiful harvest. Dale, with great delight, climbed aboard his combine for the final time last weekend, taking a few rounds around the field assisting with the 2015 harvest.

Over the years, as a John Deere buff, Dale restored his JD-60, JD-70, the JD-720 and the JD-3010, to pristine condition. He also enjoyed the company of his friends at the truck stop. Each morning he met them to partake of a cup of brew while chatting about the latest local news and solving the world's problems.

Dale is lovingly remembered by two daughters, Erica Delgadillo of Fort Collins, Colo, and Bettina Kay Sullivan and husband Robert of Rochester; a son, Scott Sommers of Rochester; two grandchildren, Alexis L. Delgadillo and Michael A. Delgadillo; a sister-in-law, Karen Sommers of Logansport; and several nieces and nephews. Preceding Dale in death are his parents; a granddaughter, Amber Nicole Sutton; a grandson Tanner John Sutton; and a brother, Donald Sommers; Pepper his faithful black lab and Chow custom blend and Bones, his feline companion.

Private family graveside services were Friday, Oct. 2, 2015, at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. The Good Family Funeral Home was entrusted with arrangements. Memorials may be made to the Fulton County Cancer Society through the Northern Indiana Community Foundation, 715 Main St., Rochester, IN 46975. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to Dale's family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

## **Gene Conley**

April 2, 1940 – Oct. 1, 2015

Gene F. CONLEY, 75, Rochester, passed away on Thursday, Oct. 1, 2015, at his residence.

He was born on April 2, 1940, in Portsmouth, Ohio. He is the son of Gus and Martha Conley. On July 30, 1959, he married Pat L. Woodcox in Lawton, Oklahoma. Gene was a Carpenter by trade. He worked for the Carpenter's Union, Rochester Building Service and Rochester Homes. He was the owner of Conley Construction. Gene was a member of Gilead Church, Gilead. In his free time, he enjoyed carpentry, fishing, going to garage sales, driving to Toto with his kids, guitar music, playing Gospel music with family and friends. He especially enjoyed spending time with his family.

Survivors include his wife, Pat Conley, Rochester; children Lisa Conley Lewis and companion Steve Bryan, Argos, and Lennie Conley, Rochester; nine grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; several nieces, nephews and cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents; an infant son; brothers Oval Oddis and wife Curley, Austin, and Arbie; sister Jane; cousin Doc.

A graveside service will be at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 6, 2015, at Citizens Cemetery, Rochester, with Rev. Thad Stewart officiating. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com). Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester is entrusted with arrangements.

Monday, October 5, 2015

### **Scott D. Bibler**

Scott D. BIBLER, 51, Claypool, died on Friday, Oct. 2, 2015, in a small plane crash near Lake Hartwell, Oconee County, South Carolina Arrangements are pending at King Memorial Home, Mentone.

### **Phyllis J. Hauser**

Jan. 13, 1942 – Oct. 4, 2015

Phyllis J. HAUSER, 73, Rochester, passed away Sunday, Oct. 4, 2015, at 3:54 a.m. at Woodbridge Health Campus of Logansport.

She was born Jan. 13, 1942 in Logansport to the late Joseph Edgar and Mary Edith “Morphet” St. Clair. On Jan. 14, 1962, at Fletchers Lake she married Danny O. Hauser who survives.

Phyllis was a retired florist who had worked for Marsh and Martin’s. She was also a former employee of General Tire and a former bookkeeper for Kaiser Agriculture of Fulton. Phyllis was a member of the Metea Baptist Church and attended the Fulton Baptist Church.

Survivors include two sons, Dale Hauser, Camarillo, Calif., Duane Hauser, Muncie; son-in-law Bob Templeton, Bloomfield; two sisters, Edith (Carl) Sell, Logansport, Carolyn Hardebeck, Logansport; brother Joe (Judy) St. Clair, Grass Creek; five grandchildren, Nathan (Kelly) Templeton, Liz (Brenden) Dyer, Taylor Templeton, Andrew Templeton and Samantha Hauser; four great-grandchildren, Julie Templeton, Audrey Templeton, Joshua Templeton and Titan Dyer; several nieces and nephews.

One daughter, Debbie Jo Templeton, preceded in death.

A celebration of life is 11 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 7, 2015, at the Gundrum Funeral Home with Pastor Bruce Russell officiating. Burial will be in the Fulton Cemetery.

Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or Gentiva Hospice.

You may sign the guestbook and send online condolences at [www.gundrumcares.com](http://www.gundrumcares.com).

**Allen Heltzel**

Allen HELTZEL, 73, of rural Akron, died at 2:23 pm, Sunday, Oct. 4, 2015, at his residence.

Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

**Alvena Mollencupp**

Alvena MOLLENCUPP, 85, died at 2:18 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 4, 2015, at Woodlawn Hospital in Rochester.

Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel.

**Jean Ann Rouch**

Jean Ann ROUCH, 85, Fulton, died at Woodlawn Hospital shortly after arrival on Saturday morning, Oct. 3, 2015.

Arrangements are pending at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Steven Hinderlider**

March 25, 1956 - Oct. 4, 2015

Steven HINDERLIDER, 59, Kewanna, passed away unexpectedly at 7:30 a.m., Sunday, Oct. 4, 2015, at his residence.

Born on March 25, 1956 in Logansport, he was the son of Kenneth and Betty (Peters) Hinderlider.

Steven enjoyed listening to the radio and watching TV.

Survivors include his mother Betty Hinderlider, Kewanna; brother Kevin Hinderlider (Mary), Rochester; sister Cynthia Bowyer (Daniel), Kewanna; and aunt, Evelyn Peters, Kewanna. He also is survived by numerous nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, Kenneth A. Hinderlider and grandparents Raymond and Agnes Hinderlider and Elmer and Lucy Peters.

Services will be at 1 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 6, 2015 at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel, with Pastor Todd Wilson officiating.

Visitation will be from 11 a.m. until the time of the service.

Burial will be at Citizens I.O.O.F. Cemetery.

You may sign the guestbook and send online condolences for the Hinderlider family at [www.ransfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com).

Tuesday, October 6, 2015

**Scott D. Bibler**

Aug. 27, 1964 - Oct. 2, 2015

Scott BIBLER, 51, Claypool, passed away on Oct. 2, 2015, in a small plane accident near Lake Hartwell, Oconee County, S.C.

Scott was born on Aug. 27, 1964, in Logansport to parents Larry and Carolyn (Bundy) Bibler.

On June 27, 1987, he married Stephanie Nelson in Burket. Scott spent the last 25 years as a football coach and educator at Tippecanoe Valley High School. He left Valley at the end of last school year and accepted a job as the Director of Business Development with CrossWinds, Fort Wayne, where he was currently working. Scott was a 1982 Tippecanoe Valley High School graduate and was a sophomore member of the 1979 state championship football team. He played football four years and baseball for two at Taylor University. He began teaching in Hagerstown, staying two years, was at Plymouth two years and then taught at Valley. He was the Vikings' head football coach from 1990-2005 before resigning in March 2006 to spend more time with his family, including his two daughters. He led Valley to a sectional championship in 1992. His second stint as the head coach at Valley started in 2014 after serving as an assistant coach under Jeff Shriver. He coached his last game for the Vikings at the end of last season. He was a man of faith above all and loved his daughters dearly. He enjoyed traveling with family and friends, spending time at the lake and playing golf.

He is survived by his wife, Stephanie Bibler, Claypool; two daughters, Chelsea Bibler, Westfield, and Megan Bibler, Claypool; his parents, Larry and Carol Bibler, Sun City, Ariz., and mother Carolyn Lauer, Winter Haven, Fla.; sister Amy Bibler, Lytle, Texas; brother Chad Bibler, Grove City, Ohio; mother-in-law JoAnn and husband Mike Williams, Atwood; father-in-law Jerry and wife Pat Nelson, Warsaw; sisters-in-law Kim Nelson, Plymouth, Tara Carlile and husband Hunter, Winona Lake; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by grandparents Howard and Mabel Bibler and Hiram and Dora Bundy.

Visitation is 2-8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, 2015, at Tippecanoe Valley High School, 8345 Indiana 19, Akron. The funeral service is 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 11, 2015, at Tippecanoe Valley High School with Pastor Denny Wilson officiating. There will be a private family burial at the Mentone Cemetery, Mentone. Memorial contributions may be made to the Scott Bibler Memorial Scholarship. You may leave online

condolences at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com). Arrangements are entrusted to King Memorial Home, Mentone.

**Gene Conley**

Gene F. CONLEY, 75, Rochester, died Thursday at his residence.

Survivors include his wife, Pat Conley, Rochester; children Lisa Conley Lewis, Argos, Linda Sayger, Rochester, and Lennie Conley, Rochester.

Graveside service is 3 p.m. today at Citizens Cemetery, Rochester. Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester is handling arrangements.

**Allen E. Heltzel**

Oct. 3, 1942 - Oct. 4 2015

Allen E. HELTZEL, 73, died Sunday, Oct. 4, 2015, after fighting an extended illness. He was surrounded by his family at his rural Akron home.

He was born Oct. 3, 1942, in Rochester to parents Marvin and Maxine (Voreis) Heltzel. On Dec. 20, 1963, he married Karen S. Deeds in Deedsville.

He founded Heltzel Construction in 1971 and he was a farmer. Prior to that he worked for R.R. Donnelly and Sons of Warsaw.

He was a 1960 graduate of Akron High School. Then he graduated from Greer Technical Institute, Chicago, Ill. He was a member of the Grace United Methodist Church of Rochester and the Land Improvement Contractors of America. He was a past member of the Akron Lions Club, for which he was served as a president and enjoyed frying fish. He and his wife wintered for 10 years in Pine Island, Fla. with their motor home. In addition to other memberships he was also a member of the Hoosier Cruisers Chapter of the Family Motor Coach Association and the Great Lakes Chapter of the American Coach Association. He enjoyed traveling in his motor home to many events such as power shows or any other reason to drive on the open road.

Survivors include his wife Karen Heltzel, Akron; sons Dale Heltzel and wife Kim, Akron, Thomas Heltzel and wife Lynn, Lafayette, Hans Heltzel and wife Mimi, Carmel; grandchildren Ethan, Bailey, Victoria, Vanessa, Amanda, and Andrew; sister Carolyn Smith; brother Paul Heltzel and companion Greta the chocolate toy poodle. He was preceded in death by his parents, in-laws Dale and Violetta Deeds.

Visitation is from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, 2015, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron. Funeral service follows at noon with Rev. Kerry O'Brien officiating. Burial is at Akron Cemetery, Akron.

Memorial Contributions may be made to the Kokomo Rescue Mission, 321 W. Mulberry St., Kokomo, or Gideon's International.

**Albert Jennens**

Albert W. JENNENS, 99, Rochester, died Monday Oct. 5, 2015, at his home. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Patsy A. Kline**

March 28, 1936 - Oct. 4, 2015

Patsy A. KLINE, 79, Plymouth, formerly of Miami County, Indiana, passed away on Sunday, Oct. 4, 2015, at her residence.

She was born March 28, 1936, in Plevna. She was the daughter of Basil and Ada Marie Hostetler Wyrick. She was married to Donald G. Kline on March 17, 1956. He preceded her in death. Survivors include two children, Phillip E. Kline and his wife Joyce, Rochester, and Rhonda K. Branham and her husband Roy, Plymouth; two grandchildren, Timothy Robert Kline and his wife Michelle, Mexico and Kristin Nicole Kline, Fort Wayne; and three great grandchildren, Trey Hunter, Tyler Hunter and Trevor Kline. She was preceded in death by several brothers and sisters. Funeral services will be 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 7, 2015, at McClain Funeral Home, Denver, with Dr. Mark Spencer officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to a favorite animal-related charity. The online guestbook can be signed at [www.mcclainfh.com](http://www.mcclainfh.com).

**Robert E. Kline**

Robert KLINE, 85, Mexico, died Sunday at Dukes Memorial Hospital, Peru.

Robert is survived by his wife Marlene, Mexico; two daughters, Theresa Hight, Peru and Annette Raider, Denver; two brothers, Frank Kline, Wabash and Charles Kline, South Bend; three sisters, Rosie Stout, Peru, Doris Fisher, New Haven and Barbara Burns, Florida.

Visitation is 4-8:30 p.m. Wednesday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver. Funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

**Robert Pfaff**

Robert J. PFAFF, 72, Rochester, formerly of Logansport, died Oct. 5, 2015, at Elkhart Hospice House, Elkhart. Arrangements are pending at Marocco-Rans Funeral Chapel.

**Jean Rouch**

Jean Ann ROUCH, 85, Fulton, died Saturday, Oct. 3, 2015 at Woodlawn Hospital.

Jean is survived by granddaughter Lindsey Rouch, Rochester.

Memorial service is 2 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 8, 2015, at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation is one hour prior to the service.

Wednesday, October 7, 2015

**Algird J. Gudas**

Aug. 15 1925 - Oct. 6, 2015

Algird J. "Al" GUDAS, 90, Winamac, went to be with the Lord at 12:46 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 6, 2015. He passed away peacefully with his family by his side.

Al was born on August 15, 1925, in Foley, Ala, to the late Joseph and Antonia Arndt Gudas. Al graduated from Winamac High School in 1943. He fought in the Battle of the Bulge while serving in the U.S. Army during WW II. He was awarded the Bronze Star medal and Purple Heart. On Nov. 20, 1954, Al married the love of his life, Erica Austin at St. Luke Lutheran Church in Winamac. She survives. Al was a lifelong farmer in Pulaski and Fulton counties. He loved the outdoors and was an avid gardener. Al accepted Jesus Christ as his Savior and was baptized at age 90. He was a member of the St. Luke Lutheran Church. Al was a loving husband, father and grandfather. His wish for his family was to, "have good health and happiness" and "work hard and love each other." He will be dearly missed by those who love him.

Survivors include his wife Erica A. Austin Gudas; daughters Mary Burchfield and husband John, Pamela Huber and husband Chad, Erica Holguin and husband Albert, Lori Pajeau and husband Mark, Susan Gudas, Amy Burgess and husband Kyle, Nancy Chambers and husband William, Carol Blink and husband Charles, Linda Oman and husband Todd; sons Kenneth Gudas and wife Louise, Eric Gudas, Arthur Gudas and wife Margaret, Albert Gudas and wife Cindy; 41 grandchildren and more than 25 great-grandchildren; sisters Johanna C. Gudas, Mildred E. Redweik, Edwina M. Martin, Mary M. Perry and husband Jim; brother Edmund E. Gudas and wife Patty; numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation is from 4-8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 9, 2015, at Frain Mortuary, Winamac, and one hour prior to funeral service at the church.

Funeral service is 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, 2015, at St. Luke Lutheran Church, Winamac, with Pastor Tom Woodley officiating.

Burial is at Winamac Cemetery, Winamac. The American Legion and VFW will conduct military graveside services.

Memorial contributions may be given to Pulaski County Quilts of Valor, Future Farmers of America at Winamac High School, or St. Luke Lutheran Church.

Online condolences may be offered in the guestbook at [www.frainmortuary.com](http://www.frainmortuary.com). Arrangements have been entrusted to Frain Mortuary, Winamac.

**Terry Lewis**

Terry LEWIS, 68, Rochester, formerly of Talma, died Oct. 6, 2015, in Indianapolis. Arrangements are pending at King Memorial Home, Mentone.



**Richard Allen Mitchell**

Dec. 24, 1938 - Sept. 30, 2015

Richard Allen (Dick) MITCHELL, 76, died Wednesday, Sept. 30, 2015, at his home in Hutchinson Island, near Fort Pierce, Fla.

Dick was born on Dec. 24, 1938, in Huntington to Mark and Mary Lou. Dick graduated from Manchester College in 1961 where he and Donna met and fell in love. He enjoyed a very successful career in banking. Dick began his career at the Indiana Department of Financial Institutions as a bank examiner. After a decade of distinguished service for the state, he was named president of the Bremen State Bank, Bremen, and then spent his final decade in banking as the president of Farmers and Merchants Bank, Rochester. He was a tremendous leader who was well respected and revered by his employees and the customers he served. Dick was an avid fisherman and loved to spend his time on the lake, ocean or pond, wherever he could drop a line. He also loved to play golf. He was a member of the varsity golf team at Manchester College and he played into his later years.

Mostly, Dick loved his family. He was a loyal husband, a tremendous father and proud grandfather who loved his grandchildren dearly. They were a great source of joy in his life. He had a quick sense of humor and spread smiles and laughter to his family and friends.

He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Donna; his daughter Kathi and husband Robb; his son, Rick and wife Wendy; eight grandchildren, Alyson and husband Matt, Kyra, Nakita and husband Cody, Danielle, Sara, Pete, Claire, and John; his brother, Bill Mitchell and wife Nancy.

He is preceded in death by his parents and his firstborn, Martee.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests a donation to the causes that Dick most cared about: Reach Community Church, 4475 N. Dixie Highway, Fort Pierce, FL 34946 or The Martee Mitchell Lollar Scholarship Fund at Kosciusko County Community Foundation, [www.kcfoundation.org](http://www.kcfoundation.org). The family is planning a celebration of life for December in Florida. Arrangements are under the direction of Haisley Funeral & Cremation Service. The online guestbook may be signed at [www.haisleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.haisleyfuneralhome.com).

**Alvena J. Mollencupp**

Sept. 19, 1930 - Oct. 4, 2015

Alvena J. MOLLENCUPP, 85, Lake Bruce, passed away at 2:18 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 4, 2015, at Woodlawn Hospital.

Born Sept. 19, 1930, in Rochester, she was the daughter of the late, Ray and Eva (Wolfe) O'Blenis. On Oct. 16, 1953, she married Floyd "Ed" Mollencupp, he

survives. She was a Rochester High School graduate. She formerly worked at Torins in Rochester, from which she retired in 1992.

Alvena was a member of Kewanna Church of Christ. She enjoyed volunteering at the senior center, quilting, knitting, crafts, traveling and baking.

Survivors include her husband, Ed Mollencupp, Lake Bruce; sons John Mollencupp and wife Lorna, Kewanna, Ed Mollencupp, Jr. and wife Teresa, Lake Bruce, William Mollencupp and wife Cynthia, Indianapolis; daughter Vicki Luz, Winamac; and brother William O'Blenis and wife Erlene, Rochester. She is also survived by eight grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by son Phillip Mollencupp and daughter Debbie Mollencupp.

A Celebration of Life will be at 11 a.m., Thursday, Oct. 8, 2015, at the Kewanna Church of Christ with Pastor Aaron McCombs officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service at the church. Interment will be at Rochester IOOF Cemetery at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made to Kewanna Church of Christ. You may sign the online guestbook or leave condolences for the Mollencupp family at [www.ransfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com).

### **Robert J. Pfaff Jr.**

Jan. 4, 1943 - Oct. 5, 2015

Robert J. PFAFF Jr., 72, Rochester, formerly of Logansport, passed away at 1:05 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 5, 2015, at Elkhart Hospice House, Elkhart.

Born on Jan. 4, 1943, in Logansport, he was the son of the late Robert and Helen (Davis) Pfaff Sr. Robert was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force in which he proudly served four years. On April 7, 1963, he married Sandra K. Collins, who survives. In 1992, he retired from Exide Technologies after 23 years of being the supervising night plant manager. Robert was a member of the Logansport Jaycees, and served as a past president, and he was a founding member of The South Side Improvement Association. He was also a carpenter and a private pilot.

Survivors include daughters, Vickie Lootens and husband Greg, Rochester and Bobbi Carter and husband Cary, Rossville. He is also survived by grandchildren Clayton Carter, Tyler Lootens, and Kobe Lootens.

Per Robert's request, there are no services.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to: Center for Hospice Care, 22579 Old US 20 E., Elkhart, IN 46516. You may leave condolences for the Pfaff family through the online guestbook at [ransfuneralhomes.com](http://ransfuneralhomes.com). Arrangements are entrusted to Marocco-Rans Funeral Chapel.

Thursday, October 8, 2015

**Terry E. Lewis**

Dec. 24, 1946 - Oct. 6, 2015

Terry E. LEWIS, 68, Rochester, formerly of Talma died at 9:46 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 6, 2015, at IU Health University Hospital, Indianapolis.

Terry was born on Dec. 24, 1946, in Chicago, Ill., to Ted and Linnel (McGowen) Series.

On Sept. 14, 1968, he married Beverly Grubbs in Richland Center. She survives.

Terry retired from Zimmer Orthopedics where he was a cell support operator. He attended Riverview Community Church. He enjoyed camping, car shows, GTO's, NASCAR and his favorite driver Jeff Gordon. He also enjoyed music by the Beach Boys and old westerns. Terry loved to feed the deer and spend time with his Poo-Pom Tinkerbelle.

Survivors include his wife Beverly Lewis, Rochester; daughters Missy Smith and husband Jeffrey, Rochester, Amy Noel and companion Bob Cooper, Tippecanoe; son Jay Lewis and wife Leewanna, Akron; grandchildren Cody Ply, AJ Noel, Hannah Noel, Jared Lewis, Haley Lewis, and Carissa Geier.

He was preceded in death by his parents Paul and Linnell Lewis.

Funeral service is 10:30 am, Friday, Oct. 9, 2015, at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone, with Pastor Rodney Ruberg officiating.

Burial will be at Athens Cemetery, Athens. Visitation is from 5-8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 8, 2015, at King Memorial Home, Mentone.

Memorial contributions may be made to Riverview Community Church or the Fulton County Animal Shelter. You may offer memories and online condolences at: [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

**Albert W. Jennens**

Aug. 28, 1916 - Oct. 5, 2015

Albert W. JENNENS, 99, Rochester, formerly of Akron, passed away at 12:09 p.m. Monday Oct. 5, 2015, at his residence.

He was born on Aug. 28, 1916, in Middletown, Ohio, the son of Theodore A. and Charlotte (Howard) Jennens. He served with the United States Army Air Corp during World War II, in the South Pacific. On Aug. 4, 1944, he married Kathleen A. Morris in Valparaiso. She preceded him in death on Dec. 11, 1988. On June 2, 1990, he married Mary F. (McDougle) Deniston. She preceded him in death on Sept. 15, 2010.

Mr. Jennens was a farmer for many years. He also worked for Coachman Trailers, was a private lab technician in Gary, and built the Akron Drive-In Restaurant

in 1966. He operated the restaurant for many years before selling. He had been a member of the Rochester Masonic Lodge, Scottish Rite and Shriner's Lodge for over 63 years. He also was a member of the American Legion and the Akron Church of God.

Survivors include his stepchildren William Michael Deniston and wife Barbara, Nashville, Tenn., Marianne Christianson and husband Don, Rochester; two stepgrandchildren and two stepgreat-grandchildren; sister Betty Bigler, Indianapolis; companion Ruth Ann Funk, Rochester; and several nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

He was preceded in death by his sister, Ruth Heldt.

Graveside service will be 2 p.m. Saturday Oct. 10, 2015, at Akron Cemetery, Akron. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association. Arrangements are entrusted to Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Jean Ann Rouch**

Dec. 16, 1929 - Oct. 3, 2015

Jean Ann ROUCH, 85, Fulton, passed away Oct. 3, 2015, shortly after arrival to Woodlawn Hospital.

Born in Peru on Dec. 16, 1929, Jean Ann Miller was the cherished daughter of Ward and Elva Cooke Miller. Jean Ann spent her childhood in Peru.

With great Tiger pride, she graduated from Peru High School in 1947. After high school she continued her education at Butler University. On June 15, 1957, Jean Ann married her best friend Mr. Leroy "Dutch" Rouch in Peru. They shared over 56 years of life's adventures together.

From their union came two wonderful sons. Tragically, they passed on. Four wonderful grandchildren, Brandon, Laynie, Abigail and Lindsey complete the family tree.

Shortly after their marriage Dutch and Jean Ann built and settled into their home near rural Fulton. On the farm, Dutch and Jean Ann oversaw the breeding and production of a fine herd of 60 sows.

Stepping into the political arena, she served Fulton County as treasurer. Passionate about public service, she also served Fulton County at the Purdue Extension office and worked a stint with Plummer's CPA preparing taxes.

Paramount in her life were her four loving grandchildren. Grandma Jean Ann was always there for them with her unending love and support. Annually, she and Lindsey looked forward to planting flower gardens around their home to enhance the landscape.

Left to cherish her memories are three -granddaughters, Lindsey Nicole Rouch, Rochester, Laynie Mishay Rouch, San Francisco, Abigail Kaylee Rouch, Fort Wayne; a grandson, Brandon Jay Rouch, Las Vegas; and a cousin, John D. Cooke, Fishers.

She is preceded in death by her parents; husband Dutch; sons Craig Rouch and Brian Rouch; and her brother-in-law Marvin Rouch.

A service celebrating her life is 2 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 8, 2015, at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Pastor Bruce Russell officiating. Friends may visit with the family one hour prior to the service. Burial will follow in the Fulton Cemetery.

Memorials in lieu of flowers may be made to the Rouch Grandchildren Education Fund. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Friday, October 9, 2015

### **Charles Smith**

Charles Russell SMITH, 71, Claypool, died Thursday, Oct. 8, 2015, at his home.

He is survived by his wife Di Anne Smith, Claypool; daughter Michele Fox, Warsaw; son Troy Smith, Warsaw; sister Carol Engle, Warsaw.

A private family service will be at Mentone Cemetery. King Memorial Home, Mentone is handling arrangements.

Saturday, October 10, 2015

No Obituaries

Monday, October 12, 2015

No Obituaries – Holiday

Tuesday, October 13, 2015

### **Charlene Williams**

Charlene WILLIAMS, 89, Rochester, died Oct. 11, 2015, at Peabody Retirement Community Health Center, North Manchester. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

Wednesday, October 14, 2015

**Charlene Williams**

June 17, 1951 - Oct. 11, 2015

Charlene WILLIAMS, 89, Rochester, passed away at 4:20 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 11, 2015, at Peabody Retirement Community Health Center, North Manchester.

She was born the daughter of Urban Leonard and Edith (Baird) Jackson on July 31, 1926, in Fulton County.

On June 17, 1951, she married Earl E. "Gene" Williams at the Fulton United Methodist Church. He preceded her in death on Sept. 13, 2015.

Mrs. Williams had worked for Farmers and Merchants Bank and had been a switchboard operator for McMahan O'Connor Construction for many years. She retired from the Fulton County Drainage Board as secretary. She was a member of the Whippoorwill Community Church, Rochester, and had been a member of the Eastern Star in Fulton. In her spare time she enjoyed playing piano, often playing for her church, and caring for her family.

Survivors include her children, Rodney Williams and wife Lisa, Stacy, Minn., Randy and wife Denise Williams, Rochester, Ryan Williams and wife Amy, Leesburg, Va.; grandchildren Rhianna Narhi and husband Rob, Lake Lynden, Mich., Erin Richards and husband Chris, White Bear Lake, Minn., Nicholas Williams, Morehead, Minn., Stephen Williams, Rochester, Robert Williams and wife Samantha, Rochester, Melea Gibbs, Akron, Brittany Ryherd and husband Shawn, Fairbanks, Alaska; seven great-grandchildren; and sister Berdenia Ball, Ligonier.

She was preceded in death by her parents and brothers-in-law Walter Ball Jr. and Robert Williams.

Funeral service is 11 a.m. Saturday Oct. 24, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with Rev. Brian Sewell officiating. Visitation is from 4-8 p.m. Friday Oct. 23, 2015, and one hour prior to service Saturday at the funeral home. Burial will take place at the Fulton Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Whippoorwill Community Church. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

**Harold W. Mulligan**

April 24, 1923 - Oct. 11, 2015

Harold W. MULLIGAN, 92, passed away October 11, 2015, in Rochester.

Harold was born April 24, 1923, in Philadelphia, Pa. Harold served in the U.S. Marines four years during World War II in the South Pacific.

He retired in 1986 from Ford Motor Company after 44 years.

Harold is survived by his children, Peggy and husband Dale, James and wife Treva, Robert and wife Chris; grandchildren Stacy and husband Scott, Shane, Andy and wife Laura, Melissa and husband Oliver, Matthew and wife Haley, Ryan and wife

Janell; great-grandchildren Colton, Brandon, Libby, Bradley, Alexis, Lily, Allie, Gavin, Eva, and Avery; and several nieces and nephews.

Visitation is Thursday, Oct. 15, 2015, from 10-11 a.m. at Flanner and Buchanan Funeral Center, Zionsville. A funeral service with military honors will immediately follow visitation. Burial will be at Lincoln Memory Gardens, Whitestown.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Indiana Canine Assist Network (ICAN), 5610 Crawfordsville Rd., Suite 2101, Indianapolis, IN 46224 or online at [www.icandog.org](http://www.icandog.org).

Thursday, October 15, 2015

### **Mary Katherine Gast**

Oct. 5, 1928 - Oct. 13, 2015

Mary Katherine "Kathy" GAST, 87, Grace Village Retirement Community, Winona Lake, passed away at 7:05 a.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 13, 2015.

Kathy was born on Oct. 5, 1928, in Fulton County, to Walter D. Townsend and Mary Elizabeth (Wheadon) Townsend. On May 25, 1950, she was married to Charles Edison Gast, who passed away on April 29, 1995. She was a resident of Kosciusko County for the past four years, where she was a member of the Salvation Army Auxiliary of Warsaw. Kathy retired from Tippecanoe Valley School after 14 years of service. She enjoyed cooking, gardening, golf and cards. She was of Methodist faith and also enjoyed attending services at the Chapel of Grace Village Retirement Community. Her main aim in life was to be a good wife and mother, which she accomplished.

She is lovingly remembered by her two daughters, Charla Stoneking and husband Kim, Sheridan, Mary Beth Sellers and husband Bill, Warsaw; two sons, Greg Gast and wife Mary, Akron, Doug Gast and wife Scarlett, Warsaw; stepson Rev. Chip Gast and wife Paula, Warsaw; ten grandchildren, five stepgrandchildren, nine great-grandchildren, nine stepgreat-grandchildren; three sisters, Norma Vedder and husband Gene, Rochester, Donna Overlander and husband Raymond, Pendleton, Carol Ann Bradway, Rochester; brother Jack Townsend and wife Wanda, Rochester; and her very, dear friend Esther May, Claypool, Indiana. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, brothers Robert and Harold Townsend, and great-grandson Silas Gast.

Visitation is Sunday, Oct. 18, 2015, 12-1 p.m. at Redpath-Fruth Funeral Home, 225 Argonne Road, Warsaw. Memorial service will follow visitation at 1 p.m. at the funeral home. Chaplain Bryan Benjamin and Reverend Richard Anderson are officiating. Burial will be at a later date at Akron Cemetery. The family appreciates any memorial donations be directed to Kosciusko Home Care & Hospice, P.O. Box

1196, Warsaw, IN 46581-1196. Online condolences may be offered at [www.redpathfruthfuneralhome.com](http://www.redpathfruthfuneralhome.com).

**Rachael Swango**

Rachael J. (Cochran) SWANGO, 68, Rochester, died Wednesday Oct. 14, 2015, at Kindred Hospital Northern Indiana, Mishawaka. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Mildred Walker**

Mildred R. WALKER, 101, Rochester, died Wednesday Oct. 14, 2015, at Miller's Merry Manor, Warsaw. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Charlene Williams**

The funeral services for Charlene WILLIAMS, 89, Rochester, who died Sunday will be at 11 a.m. Saturday Oct. 24, 2015, at the Fulton United Methodist Church instead of Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home. Visitation is from 4-8 p.m. Friday Oct. 23, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, and one hour prior to the service on Saturday at the church.

Friday, October 16, 2015

**Rachael Swango**

Rachael J. SWANGO, 68, Rochester, passed away at 4:10 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 14, 2015, at Kindred Hospital Northern Indiana, Mishawaka.

She is survived by her son, Troy Allan Cochran, Rochester; brothers Donald Cochran Jr., Jack Cochran, Andrew Cochran and Anthony Cochran, all from Rochester.

Visitation is from 12-2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 17, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. A memorial service will follow visitation at 2 p.m.

Saturday, October 17, 2015

**Marie Clemons**

Marie C. CLEMONS, 89, San Jose, Calif., formerly of Rochester, died Friday, Oct. 16, 2015, at Regency of Evergreen Valley, San Jose, Calif. Arrangements are pending with Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Marilyn Heiden**



Marilyn D. HEIDEN, 64, Rochester, died Thursday, Oct. 15, 2015, at Center For Hospice, South Bend. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

**George McCay**

George Earl McCAY, 79, formerly of Argos, died Thursday, Oct. 15, 2015, at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth. Arrangements are pending with the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

**Sara Ann Herrell**

July 27, 2005 - Oct. 14, 2015

Sara Ann HERRELL, 10, Macy, passed away in northern Miami County on Oct. 14, 2015. At her time of death, she was with her mother singing "Automatic," by Miranda Lambert. She was smiling with her blond hair blowing in the fall breeze.

Sara was born July 27, 2005, in Peru, to Steven (Chris) and Lori Herrell, Macy. A fifth-grader at North Miami Elementary School, Sara enjoyed playing soccer, basketball and volleyball. She especially enjoyed dance, which she studied at the Ballet Arts of Peru for seven years.

At home, Sara enjoyed spending time with her best friend and brother, William. They spent many hours entertaining and aggravating each other at their home on the farm, north of Macy. A free spirit, Sara loved animals, art, climbing trees and being free.

Sara knew and loved Jesus Christ as her savior. She was baptized at Mexico Baptist Church, where she was a member.

Sara is survived by her parents and brother, Macy; grandparents Jack Norwood, Peru, Steve Herrell, South Haven, Mich. and Bill and Ann Friend, Macy. Also surviving are aunts and uncles Mandy Galyean and husband Brian, North Richland Hills, Texas, Daniel Friend and wife Debora, Itajuba, Brazil; and several cousins.

She was preceded in death by grandmother Geri Ann Norwood; Aunt Leanna Marie Friend; cousins Lincoln Sutton and Ashley Rusie.

Friends may call Mexico Baptist Church on Monday, Oct. 19, 2015, from 12-8 p.m. to speak with the family. A service will be 10 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 20, 2015, at the church. Interment will follow at Mexico Greenlawn Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Ballet Arts of Peru in memory of Sara. Arrangements have been entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home.

Monday, October 19, 2015

**George McCay**

George Earl McCAY, 79, Plymouth, formerly of Argos, died Oct. 15, 2015, at 1:11 p.m. at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

George is survived by his sons Brent E. McCay, Tippecanoe, Michael McCay, Argos; and sister Sharon Stichler, Anderson.

Visitation is Tuesday Oct. 20, 2015, from 1-2 p.m. at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home. A funeral Service will follow visitation at 2 p.m. at the funeral home.

**Leo Harvey Sheetz**

Jan. 6, 1924 - Oct. 13, 2015

Leo Harvey SHEETZ, 91, Traverse City, died Oct. 13, 2015, after a short illness and a long bout with Alzheimer's.

Leo was born on Jan. 6, 1924, in Twelve Mile to Luther and Ethel Conrad Sheetz. Leo married his first wife, Mary, before World War II, and then served in the 44th Infantry Division and was awarded three bronze stars.

After the war he worked in sales and plant management in the meatpacking industry in Muncie and Indianapolis. Leo and Mary were the proud parents of two daughters, Sharon and Jean. His wife Mary died in 1991. Two years later, in 1993, Leo married Lu Mills, who survives.

Leo was a hard worker who enjoyed three decades of retirement, during which he traveled, fished, danced, played golf and generally took pleasure in living. Leo also enjoyed a home in Seven Springs, Fla. Truly, for Leo, home was anywhere with his family.

Citing a bullet hole in his World War II infantry man's helmet, nearly every day Leo said sincerely, "I'm just glad I woke up this morning!" He was grateful for all of his 91 years on earth, and he gladly shared his gratitude and enthusiasm with everyone from casual acquaintances to immediate family members.

His advice, "Be kind to one another." He modeled the kindness that he recommended.

Leo is survived by daughters Sharon Stafford and husband Rudy, Rochester, and Jean Young and husband David, Indianapolis; five grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, and three great-great-grandchildren. He is also fondly remembered by his stepdaughter, Maurine Slaughter and husband Frank and stepgrandson Ray Gazlay and wife Cathy.

Leo is preceded in death by his parents; first wife, Mary; brother Deyoe; sister Airebelle; and son-in-law David.

A memorial is planned for Nov. 2, 2015, at Grace United Methodist Church, 201 W. Seventh St, Rochester. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Alzheimer's Association or the American Heart Association is appreciated. Leo's family thanks the dedicated staff of Grand Traverse Pavilions, daycare and Aspen unit.

Tuesday, October 20, 2015

**Joe See**

July 18, 1942 – Oct. 18, 2015

Larry Joe SEE, 73, Deedsville, passed away at 1:18 a.m. on Sunday, Oct. 18, 2015, at Woodlawn Hospital.

Born July 18, 1942, in Miami County, to Harry Junior and Donnabelle Holcomb See. On May 14, 1960, he married Pat L. Davis, Leiters Ford. She survives.

Joe was a member of the Deedsville United Methodist Church. He graduated from Deedsville High School in 1960, and he retired from Federal-Mogul Corporation, Logansport. For many years, he was the owner and operator of See's Bait and Tackle in Deedsville.

Joe is survived by his wife, Pat; mother Donna, Deedsville; son Scott See; grandchildren Ashley Reitan, Indianapolis, Randy See, Peru, and Patience See, Logansport; one great-granddaughter, Everly Reitan, Indianapolis; one sister, Kathy Carlson and husband Jerry, Deedsville; three nieces and several cousins.

He was preceded in death by his father and one niece, Lori Carlson.

Visitation will be from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 21, 2015, at the McClain Funeral Home, Denver. A funeral service will follow visitation at noon at the funeral home, with Pastor Bill Babb officiating. Burial will be at Deedsville I.O.O.F. Cemetery. Following the burial, the family will gather for a continued time of fellowship at the Deedsville United Methodist Church.

The online guestbook can be signed at [www.mcclainfh.com](http://www.mcclainfh.com). In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Denver Emergency Response Unit. McClain Funeral Home is handling arrangements.

Wednesday, October 21, 2015

### **Leo Harvey Sheetz**

Leo Harvey SHEETZ, 91, Traverse City, died Oct. 13, 2015, after a short illness and a long bout with Alzheimer's.

There will be an 11 a.m. memorial service on Nov. 2, 2015, at Grace United Methodist Church, 201 W. Seventh St., Rochester.

Thursday, October 22, 2015

### **Martha Beery**

Martha Jane BEERY, 87, died Oct. 20, 2015, at Woodlawn Hospital. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

### **Mildred "Billye" Walker**

Dec. 20, 1913 - Oct. 14, 2015

Mildred R. "Billye" WALKER, 101, formerly of Rochester, passed away Wednesday, Oct. 14, 2015, at Miller's Merry Manor, Warsaw. She was a former resident at Wynnfield Senior Living and had lived in Rochester since 1946.

Billye was born Dec. 20, 1913, in Gillespie, Ill., the daughter of John E. and Julia T. (Gatton) McConnell. On Dec. 31, 1938, in Alton, Ill., she married Cale B. Walker, Jr. He preceded her in death on June 6, 1990.

A few years after the family moved to Rochester, she and her husband started a local business, The Airmarking Company. Upon retirement in 1979, their son, John, assumed ownership of the business, which is still a part of the Rochester business community under different owners. The business provided summer employment for many area young men.

A 69-year-member of St. Joseph Church, she was active in the Rosary and Altar Society for many of those years. Billye enjoyed her bridge clubs, reading, table games with her family and watching her favorite sports, including golf and Notre Dame football.

Survivors include one son, John C. Walker and wife Carol, Rochester; two daughters, Nancy Zimmerman and husband Rick J., Sr., Syracuse, and Mary Lou Leavell and husband Tom Bennett, Southern Pines, N.C.; nine grandchildren, Rick J. Zimmerman, Jr. and wife Victoria, Fort Thomas, Ky., Ann T. Zimmerman, Fishers, Karen Sue Coffey, St. Joseph, Mich., Colleen M. Ehrnstrom and husband Greg, Louisville, Colo., Tim Walker and wife Leslie, Palm Harbor, Fla., T.J. Leavell and wife Jerilyn, Charleston, S.C., Brett Walker and wife Angie, Fort Wayne, Steve Leavell, Carthage, N.C., and Laura Bennett, Cortland, Ohio; 10 great-grandchildren, Kaylee Walker, Mallory Ann Zimmerman, Caeden and Eryn Walker, Kate and Dylan Ehrnstrom, Olivia M. Leavell, Kendyl, Rylie, and Savannah Mason.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband Cale; one daughter, Sue Ann Coffey Smith; one brother and seven sisters.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be 1 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 27, 2015, at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Rochester, with Father Michael McKinney officiating. The family will receive friends at the church from 11 a.m. until the time of the service. Interment will be at the Rochester I.O.O.F Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Joseph Catholic Church or the charity of one's choice. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com). Arrangements are being made through Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

Friday, October 23, 2015

### **Bruce Lenz**

Bruce LENZ, 77, Rochester, died Oct. 22, 2015, at Life Care Center, Rochester. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Mary Richardson**

Mary L. RICHARDSON, 84, formerly of Rochester, died Thursday, Oct. 22, 2015, in Sylvania, Ohio. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Martha Jane Beery**

Nov. 21, 1927 - Oct. 20, 2015

Martha Jane "Babe" BEERY, 87, Rochester, passed away at 2:50 p.m. on Tuesday Oct. 20, 2015, at Woodlawn Hospital.

She was born on Nov. 21, 1927, in Grass Creek, the daughter of John and Vernice (Oliver) McLochlin. She was a Grass Creek High School graduate. On Dec. 20, 1949, she married Wayne Tyler Beery at St. Ann's Catholic Church, Kewanna. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in 1999. Jane continued to live in the comfort of her home after her husband's passing in December 2007. Jane was a homemaker and an office worker at the Rochester Sale Barn, the Fulton County Clerk's Office and a local bank. She was a lifetime resident of Fulton County and a longtime member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Rochester. Jane was very proud of the "McLochlin" family's Irish farming heritage and thankful for all of their love and support over the past several years.

Jane will be greatly missed by her son, Robert Beery and his wife Amy; granddaughter Erin Beery, Littleton, Colo.; grandson Patrick Beery, Denver, Colo.; sister Dorothy Warfield, Kewanna; many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends; and by her loving caregiver Angie Courtney, Bass Lake.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 29, 2015 at St. Ann's Catholic Church, Kewanna, with the Rev. Bert Woolson officiating. Visitation will be from 5-8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 28, 2015, and from 8:45-9:30 a.m. Thursday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. A prayer service will be at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday at the funeral home. Burial is at St. Ann's Catholic Cemetery, Kewanna.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to St. Ann's Catholic Church, Kewanna. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

**Marie Clemons**

Nov. 14, 1925 - Oct. 16, 2015

Marie Cecelia CLEMONS, 89, formerly a longtime resident of Fulton County, passed away at 10:55 a.m. Friday, Oct. 16, 2015, at Regency of Evergreen in San Jose, Calif.

She was born in Kewanna on Nov. 14, 1925, the daughter of Leo and Minnie (Oliver) McLochlin. On Nov. 27, 1943, she married Pete Clemons at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Kewanna. He preceded her in death on Feb. 28, 2009. Marie

worked for many years as a Librarian and bookmobile operator for Fulton County Public Library. She also enjoyed her work as a cafeteria cook for the Fulton Schools and was a product representative for Avon. She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Rochester. In her spare time, she enjoyed arts and crafts, reading, writing poetry and traveling.

Survivors include sons Larry Clemons and wife Barb Clemons, Lakewood Ranch, Fla., James Clemons, San Jose, Calif.; grandchildren Kevin Clemons and wife Macy, Northbrook, Ill., Jennifer Villela and husband John, Hingham, Mass., Sara Perl and husband Tim, Lacey, Wash., Jenefer Brown and husband Tony, Los Angeles; Natalie Elmore and husband James, Atlanta; and nine great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Mass of Christian Burial is 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, 2015, at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Rochester, with Rev. Mike McKinney officiating. Visitation will be noon-1:45 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Burial will be at St. Ann's Catholic Cemetery, Kewanna. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Joseph Catholic Church or to the Fulton County Public Library. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Shirley Smith**

Shirley Jo SMITH, 51, Rochester, died Wednesday, Oct. 21, 2015, at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

Shirley is survived by husband Jeff; mother Sharon Morris, Rochester; two daughters, Leah Renee' Correll, Weifang, China, and Myranda Koren Glant, Fort Wayne; son Joseph Camron Correll and husband Alex Burton, Manchester, England; two sisters, Kathy Dooley and husband Freddie, Young America, Minn., and Christine Freet and husband Rob, Argos. Visitation is from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25, 2015, at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. A service will follow at 1 p.m. Good Family Funeral Home is handling arrangements.

Saturday, October 24, 2015

### **Bruce Lenz**

June 28, 1938 - Oct. 22, 2015

Bruce LENZ, 77, Rochester, passed away, Thursday, Oct. 22, 2015, at Life Care Center, Rochester.

He was born June 28, 1938, in Chicago, to the late George and Francis (Bell) Lenz. Bruce married the love of his life Gwendoline Doris Randall Lenz in Kokomo on July 5, 1958, and had three children. Bruce was a meat cutter for 47 years and worked for Kroger as a meat manager for 40 years. After "retiring" he moved on to

enjoying the outdoors in building his own business, window cleaning in the community. Bruce and his wife loved traveling around the world with their family. He also enjoyed boating and camping with his many friends. He never knew a stranger, and was known for his wonderful smile.

Bruce dedicated his life to Jehovah God and endeavored to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. Bruce devoted his life to the ministry. He loved telling others about the good news of God's Kingdom and the wonderful hope for the future.

Bruce is survived by his wife, Gwendoline Lenz; his siblings, Camilla Rosam of Brooklyn, N.Y, Dolly Lenz, St. Louis, Mo., William Lenz, California, Kathleen Gutohrel, Peru. His children, David Lenz, Rochester, Stephen Lenz and wife Marlene, Brazil. Teresa Lenz Wilson and husband Grant, Rochester; four grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by sister Audrey Lenz. Visitation will be from 4-8 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 24, 2015, at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. A memorial service will be at 4 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 25, 2015, at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, 1563 N. State Rd. 25, Rochester. A private family burial will be at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Online condolences may be made to Bruce's family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Shirley J. Smith**

Sept. 19, 1964 – Oct. 21, 2015

Shirley Jo SMITH, 51, Rochester, passed away at 4:25 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 21, 2015, at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

On Sept. 19, 1964, Shirley was born in Rochester the cherished daughter of Joseph R. and Sharon O'Connell Morris. She was a lifetime Rochester resident and graduated from Rochester High School, class of 1983. Shirley and Jeffrey Smith were married on April 17, 1999, in Rochester.

As a cosmetologist, Shirley enjoyed visiting with her clients while cutting and curling. For several years she worked at the U.S. Post Office in Rochester. HG-TV was her favorite place to watch the new trends in housing and to see if they would flip or flop. Preparing meals for her family and couponing were two of her favorite pastimes.

Left to treasure Shirley's memories are her husband Jeff; mother Sharon Morris, Rochester; two daughters, Leah Renee' Correll, Weifang, China, Myranda Koren Glant, Fort Wayne; son Joseph Camron Correll and husband Alex Burton of Manchester, England; two sisters, Kathy Dooley and husband Freddie of Young America, Minn.; Christine Freet and husband Rob, Argos; several nieces and nephews; and two canine companions, Rebel, a black teacup Poodle and Sophie, a black and white Chihuahua.

She was preceded in death by her father, Joseph R. Morris.



Visitation is 11-1 a.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home followed by a service celebrating Shirley's life at 1 p.m. at the funeral Home, with Pastor Dan Honeycutt officiating. Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

**Ernest Hiatt**

Ernest L. HIATT, 81, Rochester, passed away on Oct. 21, 2015. The service will be private. Good Family Funeral Home has been entrusted with the arrangements.

**Marilyn D. Heiden**

Marilyn D. HEIDEN, 64, Rochester, passed away at 7:15 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 15, 2015, at Center For Hospice, South Bend.

She is survived by four daughters, Catherine Heiden, Robin Owens, Macy; Jennifer Duff, Brookelynn Heiden, Charlotte Heiden, Rochester; and son Christopher Trigg, Rochester. A family and friends gathering will be 3-4 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 29, 2015, at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Monday, October 26, 2015

**Frieda M. Crull**

Frieda M. CRULL, 72, Lake Bruce, passed away at 12:50 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25, 2015, at her residence. Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Homes, Kewanna Chapel.

Tuesday, October 27, 2015

**Diana L. Donathen**

Diana L. DONATHEN, 63, Grass Creek died Sunday at St. Vincent Hospital, Indianapolis. Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel.

**Cleo Hartman**

Aug. 27, 1924 - Oct. 22, 2015

Cleo May HARTMAN, 91, Ligonier, passed away at 5:11 a.m. Oct. 22, 2015, at Parkview Noble Hospital, Kendallville.

She was born on Aug. 27, 1924, the daughter of Eddie William and Rena May (Long) Bassler in Macy. On April 18, 1943, she married Harold James Hartman Sr. who passed away in February 1997. She is survived by her six children, Beverly Genaro, Fort Wayne; Harold "Jim" Hartman and wife Dorothy, Kendallville, Jo Growcock and Terry, St. Petersburg, Fla, Shari Jeanne Hartman, Fort Wayne, John

Michael Hartman and wife Kathy, Fenton, Mo., and Cindy Suelen Niles, Greenville; 12 grandchildren; 3 step-grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; 5 great-great-grandchildren; and one step-great-grandchild. She was preceded in death by her husband; parents; a son-in-law, Joseph Genaro; and two sisters, Annabelle Bassler and Delores Tharp.

Cleo was an avid gardener and loved to preserve food, knit and sew. She worked hard all her life and eventually retired from Superior Sample. Cleo and her husband also owned and operated the little grocery store on Lincolnway West in Ligonier in the late 1940's through the 1950's.

A funeral service in Cleo's honor will be at 3 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 31, 2015 at Yeager Funeral Home, 1589 Lincolnway South, Ligonier. Pastor John Lutton will officiate. Burial will follow at Sparta Cemetery in Kimmell. Family and friends will be received from 1-3 pm at the funeral home prior to the funeral service. Memorial contributions may be directed to Parkview Home Health and Hospice-Parkview Noble Foundation, 401 Sawyer Road, Kendallville, IN 46755.

### **Frieda M. Crull**

May 22, 1943 - Oct. 25, 2015

Frieda M. CRULL, 72, Lake Bruce, passed away at 12:50 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 25, 2015, at her residence with her best friend and companion, Linda, at her side.

Born May 22, 1943, in Logansport, she was the daughter of the late Kenneth Sr. and Lucille (Mills) Crull. She was a 1961 Monticello High School graduate.

Frieda worked at Senior Helpers in Logansport and she formerly worked at Scott's Food in Rochester for 12 years. She and Linda also formerly provided cleaning services for businesses and individuals for many years.

Frieda was an animal lover and avid reader. She especially loved caring for kittens and cats. She also enjoyed traveling to Missouri to visit with family.

Survivors include her companion of 54 years, Linda Dilling, Lake Bruce; brother Kenneth Crull Jr. and wife Pauli, Buffalo; sister-in-law, Velda Crull, Edna, Texas; nephews Steve Crull and wife Judy, Belton, Mo., Lance Crull and wife Beth and Mark Crull and wife Lisa, both of Edna, Texas; nieces, Debbie Sizemore and husband Roy, Plainfield; Angela Hughes and husband Kelvin, Monticello and Wendy Johnston and husband Todd, Lafayette; and several great nieces and nephews.

She was also preceded in death by one brother, Willard Crull.

Services will be at 1 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 29, 2015, at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel.

Visitation will be from 3-7 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 28, 2015, at the funeral home and also one hour before the time of service on Thursday.

Burial will be at Bruce Lake Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Gentiva Hospice. You may sign the online guestbook or leave condolences for the Crull family at [www.ransfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com).

**Matthew Hunt**

April 18, 1951 - Oct. 25, 2015

Matthew D. HUNT, 64, Rochester, passed away at 8:27 p.m. Oct. 25, 2015, at Woodlawn Hospital.

He was born on April 18, 1951, in Kokomo, the son of Vernon and Mary (Copeland) Hunt. On Oct. 17, 1970, in Kokomo. He married Kathy Koenig. She survives. Mr. Hunt owned and operated Roof One Roofing Company for many years. Prior to that he was a disc jockey for radio stations WWKI, Kokomo, WARU, Peru, WKSJ, Fort Wayne, and was a television personality on WFFT-TV, Fort Wayne, hosting the "Night Shift." In his spare time he enjoyed writing poetry, music, riding his motorcycles and spending time with his family.

Survivors include his wife, Kathy Hunt, Rochester; children Darren Hunt and wife Kim, Peru, Christopher Hunt and Devin Hunt, Carmel, Alison Rouch and husband Bryan, Denver; grandchildren Tim McFarland, Rochester, Cora Biddinger, Peru, November Hunt, Delphi, Dawson Hunt, Delphi, Elijah Hunt, Carmel, Solomon Hunt, Carmel; and several nieces, nephews, cousins, and brother and sisters-in-law.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and sisters Kathy Elburn and Karen Hunt.

A memorial service will take place at 7 p.m. Thursday Oct. 29, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with Rev. Tom Robbins officiating. Friends may call from 4-7 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to the Multiple Sclerosis Foundation. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

Wednesday, October 28, 2015

No Obituaries

Thursday, October 29, 2015

**Melvin "Mel" L. Swango**

Sept. 26, 1948 - Oct. 27, 2015

Mr. Melvin "Mel" Lawrence SWANGO, 67, of Rochester, passed away at 2:49 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 27, 2015, at Woodlawn Hospital.

On Sept. 26, 1948, Mel was born in Rochester, the treasured son of Melvin Earl and Norma Jean Bishop Swango. Growing up he shared his childhood with three brothers, Randy, David and Steve. With great Zebra pride he graduated from Rochester High School in 1966. Later he went to International Business College and graduated with an Associate Degree in Business.

Mel and Frankie L. Swope Willard were married March 8, 1986, in Rochester. Together they shared 29 years of life's adventures.

As a self-employed insurance agent for 28 years, Mel owned the Swango Insurance Agency from 1982-2000. A history buff, he enjoyed reading about Indian and Civil War history. He especially was interested in works by the authors Shelby Foote and Tom Clancy. As an arm chair athlete Mel cheered for the Indianapolis Colts and I.U.'s crimson and cream Hoosier Basketball team. Saturday mornings brought on the tradition: breakfast at Teel's. As a grill master, he would cook burgers, hot dogs and steaks to perfection.

Paramount in Mel's life was his loving family. As a grandpa, he proudly oversaw four generations. A favorite passtime was simply admiring the grandchildren, observing their habits or helping them bait their hooks. They all enjoyed many adventures camping out under the star-lit skies as Grandpa Mel captivated his family with his uncanny ability to tell stories. He and Frankie were the kids' and grandchildren's number one cheerleaders, rarely missing a sporting activity or school concert. They also enjoyed many country drives, simply tooling around enjoying the views. Holidays, birthdays and other family celebrations, Grandpa Mel looked forward to being with family and sharing many good times making memories.

Mel is lovingly remembered by his wife, Frankie; a daughter, Valerie Willard Hammel and husband Eric; four sons, David Willard and wife Jeanine Spradling Willard, Chad Swango and wife Misty Johnson Swango, Andrew Swango, Jeremy Swango and wife Kellie Urban Swango, all of Rochester; 13 grandchildren, Merissa Spradling, Chad R. Swango, Zachary Hammel, Robin Swango, Josh Swango, Aubrey Willard, Amber Willard, Elizabeth Swango, Noah Swango, Jakeb Hammel, Aaron Swango, Eli Swango, Ashli Swango; two great-grandchildren, Emma Spradling and Blake Gray; two brothers, Steve Swango, Virginia Beach, Va., and David Swango and wife Debbie, Rochester; a sister-in-law, Cindy Swango, Plymouth; and several nieces and nephews.

Preceding Mel in death are his parents and a brother, Randy Swango.

A celebration of the life of Mr. Melvin "Mel" L. Swango will be at 2 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 30, 2015, at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 West 18th St., Rochester. Friends may visit with his family from 4-8 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 29, 2015, and one hour prior to the service in the funeral home. Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Fulton County Cancer Fund through the Northern Indiana Community Foundation or to the American Heart Association. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

**Diana L. Donathen**

Jan. 15, 1952 - Oct. 26, 2015

Diana L. DONATHEN, 63, of Grass Creek passed away unexpectedly Monday, Oct. 26, 2015, at St. Vincent's Hospital, Indianapolis

Born on Jan. 15, 1952, in Logansport, she was the daughter of the late David and Doris (Brown) Hill. She was a 1970 Caston High School graduate and a graduate of Indiana Central College (University of Indianapolis).

On Nov. 5, 1983, she married Jon C. Donathen.

Diana was a former school teacher who had taught in Kansas and at Kewanna and Rochester schools. She was a former magazine distributor and she had been formerly employed at Kauffman Engineering in Logansport.

She was a member of Grass Creek United Methodist Church. Diana was very active with the Boy Scouts of America where she served as a Den Mother and Assistant Scout Master. She also worked on the Sagamore Council and as an Advisor and Vigil in the Order of the Arrow.

Diana loved the theater and had been a member of several performance groups that toured the United States and Europe. She was also a member of the Fulton County Players and that is where she met her husband Jon.

She enjoyed reading, horses and classic movies.

Survivors include her husband, Jon C. Donathen, Grass Creek; sons Matthew J. Donathen, Grass Creek, and Alexander W. Donathen and wife Jennifer, Logansport; soon-to-be born granddaughter, Astraea Diana Donathen; siblings David J. Huffman and wife Marcia, Indianapolis, Carol S. Huffman, Logansport and Roger E. Hill and wife Dena of Afton, Okla.; brother-in-law Larry Donathen and wife Joyce, of Franklin and sister-in-law Susan Hamman and husband Kenneth, Winamac.

A service will be at 2 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 31, 2015, at Grass Creek United Methodist Church, with Pastor David Sommers officiating. Visitation will be from 11 a.m. until the time of the service. Diana's wishes were to be cremated and burial will be at Grass Creek Cemetery at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Boy Scouts of America and/or Grass Creek United Methodist Church.

Please sign the online guestbook or leave a condolence for the Donathen family at [www.ransfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com).

**Chauncey Summers Jr.**

Nov. 27, 1945 - Oct. 21, 2015

Chauncey SUMMERS Jr., 69, passed away Wednesday, Oct. 21, 2015, at home in Kansas City, Kansas.

Visitation was Monday, Oct. 26, 2015, from 6-8 p.m. at Chapel HillButler Funeral Home. Interment, with military honors, was at 12:30 p.m. Oct. 27 at

Leavenworth National Cemetery, Leavenworth, Kansas. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in Chauncey's name to the Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 758517, Topeka, Kansas, 66211, or American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 22718, Oklahoma City, Okla., 73123.

Chauncey was born Nov. 27, 1945, in South Bend, to Chauncey Sr. and Donna (Good) Sommers. He was a veteran of the U.S. Marines. Chauncey Jr. was preceded in death by his parents Chauncey Sr. and Donna (Good) Summers and brothers William "Bill" Summers and Roger Summers. He also leaves behind a sister, Sharon Leffert Arnett and husband Joey Arnett; his wife of 48 years, Barbara; sons Gary and Christopher Summers; daughter Tonya Summers; granddaughters Jordan, Ashley and Karlie Jo Summers; grandsons Brandon Wodrich, Damien Nelson and Isaiah Walters; great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews in Indiana.

Chauncey will be greatly missed.

### **Matthew D. Hunt**

April 18, 1951 - Oct. 25, 2015

Matthew D. HUNT, 64, Rochester, passed away at 8:27 p.m. Sunday Oct. 25, 2015, at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

He was born on April 18, 1951, in Kokomo, the son of Vernon and Mary (Copeland) Hunt. On Oct. 17, 1970, in Kokomo, he married Kathy Koenig and she survives.

Mr. Hunt had owned and operated Roof One Roofing Company for many years. Prior to that he had been a disc jockey for radio stations, WWKI in Kokomo, WARU in Peru, WKSX in Fort Wayne, and a television personality on television station WFFT, Fort Wayne, hosting the "Night Shift." In his spare time he enjoyed writing poetry, music, riding his motorcycles and spending time with his family.

Survivors include his wife, Kathy Hunt, Rochester; children Darren and wife Kim Hunt, Peru, Christopher and wife Devin Hunt, Carmel, Alison and husband Bryan Rouch, Denver; grandchildren, Tim McFarland, Rochester, Cora Biddinger, Peru, November Hunt, Delphi, Dawson Hunt, Delphi, Elijah Hunt, Carmel, Solomon Hunt, Carmel; and several nieces, nephews, cousins, and brother and sisters-in-law.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and sisters Kathy Elburn and Karen Hunt.

A memorial service will take place at 7 p.m. Thursday Oct. 29, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with Rev. Tom Robbins officiating. Friends may call from 4-7 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to the Multiple Sclerosis Foundation. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com)

**Mary Lou Richardson**

Jan. 29, 1931 - Oct. 22, 2015

Former Rochester resident Mrs. Mary Lou RICHARDSON, 84, passed away at 11:45 a.m. on Thursday, Oct. 22, 2015, in Sylvania, Ohio, where she had resided since 2009.

On Jan. 29, 1931, Mary Lou Morris was born in Fulton County, the cherished daughter of Ross P. and Helen C. Souder Morris. A proud graduate of the former Tippecanoe High School of Tippecanoe, Mary was the valedictorian of the Class of 1949.

Mary Lou and James M. Richardson were married in South Bend on March 14, 1953. They shared 51 years of life's adventures. He passed away on Dec. 22, 2004. From their union came three wonderful children, Regan, Tim and Jay. Over the years the added blessings of two more generations have been added to the family tree.

Retiring from factory management, Mary Lou considered herself a career mother and a farm wife. In her free time she enjoyed crocheting, reading, watching sports and playing with her three dogs, Barty, Brenna and Carly.

Left to treasure Mary Lou's memory are her daughter, Regan Brock and husband Gary of Sylvania, Ohio; two sons, Jay Richardson and wife Laurie, Homosassa, Fla., Tim Richardson and wife Debbie, Knox; eight grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; a sister-in-law, Shirley Morris, Bourbon; and several nieces and nephews.

Preceding Mary in death are her parents, husband and two brothers, William "Billy" Morris and James "Jim" Morris.

Visitation for Mary Lou Richardson will be from 10 a.m.-noon on Friday, Oct. 30, 2015, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 West 18th St., Rochester. Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Toledo Area Humane Society at [www.toledohumane.org](http://www.toledohumane.org). Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Friday, October 30, 2015

**Terry A. Rohrer**

Terry A. ROHRER, 60, Shelbyville, Tenn., formerly of Rock Lake and Texas, died Tuesday, Oct. 27, 2015, at Centennial Medical Center, Nashville, Tenn.

**Richard A. McLochlin**

Richard A. McLOCHLIN, 74, Rochester, died at 6:06 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 29, 2015, at his residence. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.





Saturday, October 31, 2015

**Terry A. Rohrer**

April 26, 1955 - Oct. 27, 2015

Terry A. ROHRER, 60, Shelbyville, Tenn., formerly of Rock Lake and Texas, died Tuesday, Oct. 27, 2015, at Centennial Medical Center, Nashville, Tenn.

Terry was born April 26, 1955, in Fort Wayne to Frederick D. and Betty (Clark) Rohrer.

Terry is survived by his mother, Betty Rohrer and her husband Otto Woike, Denton, Texas; sisters Nancy Warner, Fort Worth, Texas, Sherrie and husband Randy Brandt, Pilot Point, Texas; two nephews, four nieces, aunts, uncles, and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his father, Frederick Rohrer.

There will be a graveside service at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2015, at the Akron Cemetery, with Pastor Jim Shrock officiating.

Burial will be at Akron Cemetery. Arrangements are entrusted to Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St. Akron. Memorial contributions are open to the donor's choice. You may share a memory or send online condolences at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

Monday, November 2, 2015

**Richard A. McLochlin**

June 6, 1941 - Oct. 29, 2015

Richard A. McLOCHLIN, 74, Rochester, passed away at 6:06 a.m. on Thursday, Oct. 29, 2015, at his residence.

Born June 6, 1941, in Rochester, he was the son of the late John Robert "Bob" and Marie K. Richardson McLochlin. On Nov. 26, 1960, in Plymouth, he was married to Lucinda A. Kindig, and she survives.

Richard was a lifelong member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Rochester. He graduated from Rochester High School in 1959.

He was a farmer for many years before beginning his career in public service as Fulton County sheriff, a position he held from 1983-1990. He was an honorary graduate of the Indiana Law Enforcement Academy. As an active member of the law enforcement community, he served as secretary from 1987-1990 of the Indiana Sheriff's Association, in which he was a lifetime member. After serving as sheriff, Rich served four years as Fulton County assessor. He was also a member of the Elk's, Moose Lodge, Eagles and American Legion Auxiliary. Richard enjoyed golfing, bowling and fishing. In 2015, he was voted the Democrat Man of the Year for Fulton County.

Richard is survived by his wife Cindy, Rochester; son John R. McLochlin and his wife Hilda, Rochester; daughters Andrea A. Marrs, Coronado, Calif., and Shannon M. McLochlin, Culver; daughter-in-law Nicholle McLochlin, Rochester; fifteen grandchildren; and one sister, Patricia Jean McMillen and her husband Bill, Rochester.

He was preceded in death by one son, Jeff McLochlin, who died while serving as a U.S. Army Ranger in Afghanistan on July 5, 2006.

His family will celebrate a Mass of Christian Burial privately at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Rochester, with Fr. Mike McKinney officiating. Burial will be in Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. You may sign the memorial guestbook and share condolences with the family online at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

Memorial contributions may be made to the Jeff McLochlin Memorial Scholarship Fund, c/o Northern Indiana Community Foundation, P.O. Box 807, Rochester, IN 46975 or to the charity of the donor's choice.

Tuesday, November 3, 2015

### **Elizabeth Alderfer**

Elizabeth G. ALDERFER, 93, Rochester, died Monday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

She is survived by three sons, Richard Alderfer, Charles Alderfer and Stephen Alderfer, all of Rochester; sister Marie Stockberger, Rochester; two brothers, William Charles Davidson, Kokomo and Richard Davidson, Elkhart.

Funeral service will be at 4 p.m. Wednesday, at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation is two hours prior to the service at the funeral home.

### **Orville Weiske**

Orville A. WEISKE, 86, Rochester, died Monday at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

Wednesday, November 4, 2015

### **Ann Morrett**

Ann MORRETT, 94, Rochester died Tuesday at Hancock Regional Hospital, Greenfield. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

### **Orville A. Weiske**

April 2, 1929 – Nov. 2, 2015

Orville A. WEISKE, 86, Rochester, passed away at 11:51 a.m. Monday, Nov. 2, 2015, at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

He was born on April 2, 1929, in Custer Park, Ill., the son of Arthur George and Emma (Tooper) Weiske. His early life was spent in the Custer Park, Reddick and Manhattan, Ill. areas. His father passed away in August of 1943, at which time, he, his mother and younger sister Irene relocated to Rochester. Orv graduated from Rochester High School in 1947. While in high school, in addition to his studies, he spent much of his time playing sports. He was very active in track, softball and basketball. After graduation he continued his love of sports playing baseball and golf.

On Aug. 28, 1949, in Rochester, he married his high school sweetheart, Lois Ann Gilger, daughter of Dr. Cecil and Fanny Gilger. In May of 1950, Lois and Orv were blessed with a lovely daughter, Annette, and in May of 1954, were blessed again with another lovely daughter, Renee. The family spent many happy times together living in Rochester, Plymouth, Indianapolis, Carmel and returning back home to Lake Manitou.

Orv started his professional career working for Seaboard Finance in Rochester and Plymouth. He eventually spent the majority of his working years with American Fletcher National Bank, Indianapolis. He retired as assistant vice president with Bank One, now Chase Bank. He was a member of Grace United Methodist Church, Elk's Lodge, Moose Lodge, was past president of the Plymouth Kiwanis Club and a member of Phi Delta Fraternity.

In his spare time he enjoyed golf, watching all sports, especially following the Chicago White Sox, Chicago Bears and Indianapolis Colts, fishing, and over the years, traveling with his wife Lois.

Survivors include his daughters, Annette Millikan, Noblesville, Rene Spoor, Brownsburg; grandchildren Julie and husband Walter Setmeyer, Noblesville, Jonathan and wife Sarah Millikan, Nashville, Kate and husband Kris Kingery, Brownsburg, Chelsea Spoor, Brownsburg; great-grandchildren Mille Setmeyer, Sam Setmeyer, Meg Setmeyer, all of Noblesville, Ella, Caroline, Amelia Kingery, all of Brownsburg; sister Irene Ritenour, Chicago; several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife of more than 62 years, Lois Weiske, on Feb. 24, 2012; sons-in-law, Ernie Millikan and Tim Spoor; sisters Lucille Esther Nicklaus, Mildred Clear, Bernice Fitzgerald and Velma Hawkins; brothers Lennard Weiske, Vernon Weiske and Willard Weiske.

Funeral service will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 7, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Friends may call from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home. Burial will follow at Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester. Memorial contributions may be made to the National Kidney Foundation, American Cancer Society or Katie's Hear to Help, Danville.

The family would like to thank the Intensive Care Unit staff at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne, for their dedicated and loving care of Orv over the past few weeks. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

**Patricia R. Gross**

June 7, 1931 – Nov. 3, 2015

Patricia R. GROSS, 84, Winona Lake, and formerly of Etna Green died at 8:05 am Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2015, at Grace Village Retirement Community, Winona Lake.

She was born June 7, 1931, in Kosciusko County, to Howard and Olive (Linn) Hudson. On Oct. 7, 1962, in Swayzee, she married Loren D. Gross. He preceded her on Aug. 10, 1999.

Patricia was an accountant. She retired from Kralis Brothers Foods, Mentone. She was a 1949 graduate of Mentone High School. She had been a member of the Mentone Reading Club, D.A.R., American Legion Auxiliary, as well as being a member of the Mentone United Methodist Church. She enjoyed collecting carnival glass, many kinds of antiques, traveling, square dancing, and reading and loved genealogy.

She is survived by her son, Gary and wife Denise Gross, Warsaw; great-nephew Austin Whitaker, Warsaw; brothers Dale Hudson, Winona Lake, and Don and wife Betty Hudson, Etna Green; a sister-in-law; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; sister Norma Metheny; and brothers Dick and Kenneth Hudson.

Funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Friday, Nov. 6, 2015, at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone, with Pastor Rick Johnson officiating. Burial will be at Harrison Center Cemetery, Etna Green. Visitation is from 4-7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 5, 2105, at King Memorial Home. Memorial contributions are open to the donor's choice. You may share a memory or send online Condolences at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

**Carol Andrews**

Carol Jean ANDREWS, 73, Akron, died Sunday at Woodlawn Hospital.

Survivors include her husband, Walter J. Andrews, Akron; daughters, Robynn D. Jones, Akron, Karrie Andrews, Rochester; brother Tom Polk, South Bend.

A memorial service is scheduled for a later date.

Thursday, November 5, 2015

**Kaleen S. Krom-Davis**

April 14, 1944 - Nov. 3, 2015

Kaleen S. KROM-DAVIS, 71, Rochester, passed away at 9:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2015, at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

She was born on April 14, 1944, in Rochester, the daughter of George W. Jr. and Josephine (Thompson) Krom. She graduated from Rochester High School and received her bachelor's degree from Manchester College and her master's degree from St. Francis University, Fort Wayne. On Oct. 23, 2010, in Rochester, she married James G. "Jim" Davis. He preceded her in death on Feb. 15, 2011.

Kaleen taught high school English for Warsaw Community High School, North Miami High School and Kewanna High School. She was a member of the First Baptist Church, Rochester, where she was active in the Fellowship Guild, Fulton County Retired Teacher's Association, Rochester Rotary Club, the Red Hat Society, was an active member in the Republican Party and Tri-Kappa Sorority.

Survivors include her brother, George W. III and wife Nancy Krom, Rochester; sister Barbara Jo Bryant, London, Ohio; nieces Kristi and husband John Kretzmeier, Fowler, Kimberly Wojcik, Lebanon, Ivy and husband Brett Lyvers, Charlestown; nephew G. Wayne and wife Johnie Krom, Rochester; several great-nieces and great-nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents and brother James Robert Krom.

Funeral service will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 8, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with Dr. Mark Spencer officiating. Friends may visit from 5-8 p.m. Saturday and one hour prior to service at the funeral home. Burial will be at the Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester.

Memorial contributions may be made to the First Baptist Church. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Orville A. Weiske**

April 2, 1929 - Nov. 2, 2015

Orville A. WEISKE, 86, Rochester, passed away at 11:51 a.m. Monday, Nov. 2, 2015, at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

He was born on April 2, 1929, in Custer Park, Ill., the son of Arthur George and Emma (Tooper) Weiske. His early life was spent in the Custer Park, Reddick and Manhattan, Ill. areas. His father passed away in August of 1943, at which time, he, his mother and younger sister Irene relocated to Rochester. Orv graduated from Rochester High School in 1947. While in high school, in addition to his studies, he spent much of his time playing sports. He was very active in track, softball and basketball. After graduation he continued his love of sports playing baseball and golf.

On Aug. 28, 1949, in Rochester, he married his high school sweetheart, Lois Ann Gilger, daughter of Dr. Cecil and Fanny Gilger. In May of 1950, Lois and Orv were blessed with a lovely daughter, Annette, and in May of 1954, were blessed again with another lovely daughter, Renee. The family spent many happy times together

living in Rochester, Plymouth, Indianapolis, Carmel and returning back home to Lake Manitou.

Orv started his professional career working for Seaboard Finance in Rochester and Plymouth. He eventually spent the majority of his working years with American Fletcher National Bank, Indianapolis. He retired as assistant vice president with Bank One, now Chase Bank. He was a member of Grace United Methodist Church, Elk's Lodge, Moose Lodge, was past president of the Plymouth Kiwanis Club and a member of Phi Delta Fraternity.

In his spare time he enjoyed golf, watching all sports, especially following the Chicago White Sox, Chicago Bears and Indianapolis Colts, fishing, and over the years, traveling with his wife Lois.

Survivors include his daughters, Annette Millikan, Noblesville, Rene Spoor, Brownsburg; grandchildren Julie and husband Walter Setmeyer, Noblesville, Jonathan and wife Sarah Millikan, Nashville, Kate and husband Kris Kingery, Brownsburg, Chelsea Spoor, Brownsburg; great-grandchildren Mille Setmeyer, Sam Setmeyer, Meg Setmeyer, all of Noblesville, Ella, Caroline, Amelia Kingery, all of Brownsburg; sister Irene Ritenour, Chicago; special friend Janice Nelson, Leiters Ford; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife of more than 62 years, Lois Weiske, on Feb. 24, 2012; sons-in-law Ernie Millikan and Tim Spoor; sisters Lucille Esther Nicklaus, Mildred Clear, Bernice Fitzgerald and Velma Hawkins; brothers Lennard Weiske, Vernon Weiske and Willard Weiske.

Funeral service will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 7, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Friends may call from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home. Burial will follow at Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester. Memorial contributions may be made to the National Kidney Foundation, American Cancer Society or Katie's Hear to Help, Danville.

The family would like to thank the Intensive Care Unit staff at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne, for their dedicated and loving care of Orv over the past few weeks. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Annabelle Morrett**

April 27, 1921 - Nov. 3, 2015

Annabelle "Ann" MORRETT, 94, formerly of Rochester, died Tuesday at Hancock Regional Hospital.

Ann is survived by two daughters, Becky Blue, Greenfield, Nancy Romack, Pendelton; three sisters, Lois Bowers, Rochester, Mary Gallahan, Peru, Elsie Strasser, Twelve Mile; brother Hollis Fletcher Helms, Logansport.

Funeral service will be 11 a.m. Saturday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation is from 4-8 p.m. Friday and one hour prior to service at the funeral home.

**Charles Engle**

Charles R. ENGLE, 73, North Manchester, died Thursday. Arrangements are pending at McKee Mortuary, North Manchester.



Friday, November 6, 2015

**Ann Morrett**

April 27, 1921 - Nov. 3, 2015

Former Rochester resident Mrs. Annabelle “Ann” MORRETT, 94, was surrounded by her loving family when she passed away at 1:10 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2015, at Hancock Regional Hospital in Greenfield.

On April 27, 1921, Ann was born in Twelve Mile, a cherished daughter of Ross and Ruth Winegardner Helms. As the third oldest of eleven children, Ann grew up sharing her childhood with six sisters and four brothers. She graduated from Twelve Mile High School in 1939.

Ann and Harold Darwin “Duke” Morrett were married on March 7, 1943, in Rochester. They shared 42 years of life’s adventures. From their union came two beautiful daughters, Becky and Nancy. The family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of four grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren.

A talented lady with a strong work ethic, Ann began her professional career with Topps Manufacturing of Rochester. She later worked for Dr. Dean K. Stinson. In 1959 she began working with Hart Schaffner Marx, as the first employee hired in Rochester. She garnered a management position as quality control, as the only woman in the entire corporation with that appointment. Esteemed by the management and treasured by those who worked for her, Ann led the quality team at H-S-M with aplomb, grace and style. At the age of 76, in 1996, Ann retired from H-S-M following 37 years of dedicated service.

To relax Ann enjoyed diving into a good book on romance. Her favorite author was Danielle Steele. When Indiana University’s crimson and cream took to the hardwoods, Ann was always courtside via her television, rarely missing a game. She was a member of the First Christian Church for more than a half century. Other memberships include the Manitou Moose Lodge and the V.F.W. ladies auxiliary.

As the matriarch of the Morrett family, Grandma Ann was proud to oversee four generations. At home from her kitchen command post she prepared many family feasts made with love. She is remembered for her homemade noodles, always accompanied by chicken or beef and chocolate pie made from scratch. The holidays brought on the buffet-style meals with prime rib, turkey and ham. Ann was the official family seamstress, mending, making repairs and alterations. She also made custom slacks with professional expertise for the men in her family.

Grandma Ann treasured the special times spent with her grandchildren Stacy, Ryan, Jennifer and Scott. Many memories were made and special bonds created in both Rochester and Greenfield with the adventures they shared. Grandma Ann served as a role model conveying her traits of a strong work ethic coupled with her meticulous, professional appearance that she always insisted on. She was their number

one cheerleader all through the years watching them grow and blossom athletically and academically. Her dedication to them continued through their collegiate years as she sent the kids weekly care packages and money for dining out. The holidays also triggered the traditional “Black Friday” shopping expedition. The women, Ann, her daughters and granddaughters, invented the term ‘shop till you drop,’ gathering the bargains of the day, sharing laughs and dining out after closing the stores down.

Left to cherish Ann’s memory are two daughters, Becky Blue and husband Steve, Greenfield, Nancy Romack and husband Mike, Pendleton; four grandchildren, Stacy Blue Sturgeon and husband Tony, Ryan Blue and wife Kelly, Jennifer Romack Norris and husband Brad, Scott Romack and wife Christie; 10 great grandchildren, Ben, Natalie and William Sturgeon, Sophie Blue, Allen and Matthew Norris, Marcus, Kaitlyn, Emma and Noah Romack; three sisters, Lois Bowers and husband Jim, Rochester, Mary Gallahan, Peru, Elsie Strasser and husband Roger of Twelve Mile; a brother, Hollis Fletcher Helms, Logansport; two sisters-in-law, Barbara Helms, Walton, Betty Helms, Twelve Mile and 31 nieces and nephews.

Ann was preceded in death by her parents; her beloved husband Duke on Oct. 15, 1985; three sisters, Rose Helms, Lena Dillman, Dorothy Crane; three brothers, John, Ed and Tom Helms; three sisters-in-law, Louise Morrett, Lula Mae Fields, Gladys Helms; brother-in-law Dean Gallahan; and four nieces and nephews.

A celebration of the life of Annabelle “Ann” Morrett will be 11 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 7, 2015, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 West 18th St., Rochester. Friends may visit with the family from 4-8 p.m. on Friday and one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Memorials may be made in Ann’s name to Hancock Regional Hospital Hospice Foundation Designate, 801 North State St., Greenfield, IN 46140. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Daniel DeSonia**

Daniel L. DeSONIA, 73, Rochester, died at 4:06 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2015, at his home.

Daniel is survived by six daughters, Robin DeSonia, Theresa Hall, and Julie DeSonia, all of Rochester, Lillian Blackburn, Los Angeles, Tammy Moriarity, Rockford, Ill., Bobby Jo Blackman, Wabash; two sons, Arlington Joseph DeSonia III, Rockford, Ill., Daniel L. DeSonia II, Rochester; three sisters, Maxine McGee, Akron, Ohio, Peggy McConnell, Zanesville, Ohio, Becky Douset, Houston; and brother Jeffrey Coss, Zanesville, Ohio.

Daniel’s funeral service is 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 8, 2015, at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Saturday and one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

**Charles R. Engle**

Charles R. ENGLE, 73, North Manchester, formerly of Beaver Dam Lake, died Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2015, at Peabody Healthcare Center, North Manchester.

He is survived by daughter Amy Dellenbach, Lewis Center, Ohio.

His funeral is noon Saturday, Nov. 7, 2015, at McKee Mortuary, 1401 Indiana 114 West, North Manchester. Visitation is from 10 a.m.-noon Saturday at the funeral home.

Saturday, November 7, 2015

**Daniel DeSonia**

Jan. 31 1942 - Nov. 3, 2015

Mr. Daniel L. DeSONIA, 73, Rochester, passed away at 4:06 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2015 at his home.

On Jan. 31, 1942, Daniel Lee was born in Zanesville, Ohio, a treasured son of Arlington Joseph and Mildred L. Walters DeSonia. Growing up he shared his childhood with four sisters and six brothers as the third youngest of 11 children. With great pride Dan graduated in 1960 from Belvedere High School in Belvedere, Ill. After graduation he enlisted with the United States Air Force serving for eight years. He continued to serve our country with the National Guard for a number of years.

In Chicago, on May 5, 1972, Dan married the love of his life, Eline Joyce Artist. They shared 31 years of life's adventures. Sadly, she passed away on April 26, 2003.

Daniel is lovingly remembered by six daughters, Robin DeSonia, Theresa Hall and Julie DeSonia, all of Rochester, Lillian Blackburn, Los Angeles, Tammy Moriarity, Rockford, Ill., Bobby Jo Blackman and husband Jeffrey, Wabash; two sons, Arlington Joseph "Joey" DeSonia III, Rockford, Ill., Daniel L. DeSonia II and wife Amanda, Rochester; 24 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren; three sisters, Maxine McGee, Akron, Ohio, Peggy McConnell, Zanesville, Ohio, Becky Douset, Houston; a brother, Jeffrey Coss, Zanesville, Ohio; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Preceding Dan in death are his parents; beloved wife Eline Joyce; two sisters, Arlene and Patty; four brothers, James, Dick, Andrew, and Junior.

A celebration of the life of Daniel DeSonia will be 1:30 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 8, 2015, at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Friends may visit with the family from 4-8 p.m. on Saturday and one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Military Honors will be provided by the Fulton County Honor Guard and the U.S. Air Force Honors Team. Interment will be in the Pleasant Hill Cemetery near Bruce Lake. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).



**Pamela Kay Wentz**

Oct. 4, 1951 - Nov. 6 2015

Pamela Kay WENTZ, 64, Macy, passed away at 4:36 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 6, 2015, at her residence, surrounded by her family.

Born Oct. 4, 1951, in Rochester, she was the daughter of the late Harold and Annie Damron Lewis. On Feb. 28, 1976, in Fulton County, she was married to George Martin Wentz, and he survives.

Pam retired from Square D Company, Peru, where she had worked for many years. She was an amazing and loving woman, who enjoyed spending time with her family and taking trips to the Blue Chip Casino.

She is survived by four children, Tracy L. Lewis, Rochester, Joe Ault, Perrysburg, Barbara Jimenez and husband Enrique, Macy, and Amber Bueno and husband Juan, Roann; one sister, Sandy Click and husband Ed, Denver; one brother, Dean Damron and wife Paula, Rochester; 19 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one brother, Paul Junior Etchyson.

A time of visitation with the family will be from 4-8 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 11, 2015, at McClain Funeral Home, Denver. She will be laid to rest in Westlawn Cemetery, Denver. Memorial contributions may be made to Great Lakes Hospice. Family and friends are invited to share memories and sign the online guestbook at [www.mcclainfh.com](http://www.mcclainfh.com).

Monday, November 9, 2015

**Harvey L. Arthur**

Feb. 25, 1937 – Nov. 6, 2015

Harvey L. ARTHUR, 78, Akron, passed away Friday, Nov. 6, 2015, at his residence.

He was born on Feb. 25, 1937, in Wabash, to Elwood W. “Slim” and Bernice J. (Walker) Arthur.

He was married on July 29, 1962, in the Burton Methodist Church of Rochester to Wanda M. “Peg” Alderfer. She survives.

Harvey owned Arthur’s Service Station in Akron for 25 years where they maintained Sonoco Paper Products Company of Akron semi trucks fleet. Then, he became shop supervisor at Builders Transport/Dedicated Fleet, where he retired. He worked after retirement as Pike Lumber Company’s highly skilled handyman and carpenter.

He was a 1955 graduate of Akron High School. He served his country as a U.S. Army Veteran. He attended the Akron Church of God for 53 years. He was a longtime member of the Akron Lions Club where he was past president and was awarded the

Melvin Jones Fellow in 2008 and the Distinguished Lions in 2011-12. As a Lion he worked on many projects that included building many ramps for the disabled, a longtime fryer at many fish fries, an active member of the Indiana Racing Lions in numerous parades throughout the state and instrumental in building the Akron Community Center. He was a master woodworker, making many cabinets and pieces of furniture. He enjoyed playing cards with his good friends and was an avid fisherman.

Survivors include his daughters, Brenda and husband Jim Ross, Akron, Bonita and husband Brian Klein, Connersville, and Becky Arthur Gearhart, Akron; sisters Barbara Zartman, Twelve Mile, and Mary Frances and husband Richard Wood, Akron; seven grandchildren, Allyson and Tyler Ross, MacKenzie, Trey, and Bryce Klein, and Aaron and Cameron Gearhart.

He was preceded in death by his parents; infant brother, Jack Arthur; and brother-in-law, David Zartman.

Funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 11, 2015, at Akron Church of God, 301 S. West St., Akron, with Pastor Ryan Chapman officiating.

Burial will be in the Akron Cemetery, Akron, with graveside military rites.

Visitation is 2-7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 10, 2015, at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

Memorial contributions may be made to Akron Lions Club or the Akron Church of God. Share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Elizabeth W. Johnston**

Elizabeth W. JOHNSTON, 81, Rochester, died Saturday at Life Care Center, Rochester. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

### **Barbara L. Nash**

Barbara L. NASH, 72, Macy, died Friday at Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw.

Survivors include two daughters, Kelley Schultz, Akron, and Tammy Everroad, Wabash; four sons, Mike Nash, Peru, Jim Minks, Sullivan, John Minks, Sullivan, and Joe Minks, Sullivan; two sisters, Janice Roseberry, Sullivan, and Mary Brown, Sullivan; and two brothers, Tom Brown, Linton, and Gary Brown, Bloomington.

At her request, no public services will be held.

### **Daniel Roseberry**

Daniel ROSEBERRY, 63, Mentone, died Sunday at his residence. Arrangements are pending at King Memorial Home, Mentone.



**Betty Wildermuth**

Betty WILDERMUTH, 87, Akron, died Sunday at her residence. Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

Tuesday, November 10, 2015

**Barbara Niester**

Barbara NIESTER, 90, Decatur, Ill. and Rochester, passed away at 12:20 p.m. Monday at Imboden Creek Living Center, Decatur, Ill. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Charles Sumey**

Charles Ellsworth SUMEY, 86, Culver, died Sunday, Nov. 8, 2015, at Miller's Merry Manor, Culver.

Survivors include daughters Betty O'Connor and Cindy Sumey, both of Plymouth; sons Charles Sumey, Plymouth, and Roger Sumey, Logansport.

Visitation is Thursday, Nov. 12, 2015, from 4-5 p.m. at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos. His funeral service will follow visitation at 5 p.m. at the funeral home. Arrangements are entrusted to Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

**Daniel Roseberry**

Daniel Joseph ROSEBERRY, 63, Mentone, formerly of Rochester and Kokomo, died Sunday, Nov. 8, 2015, at his residence.

He is survived by son Aaron Roseberry; mother Alberta Roseberry; and brother John Roseberry, all of Kokomo.

No services are planned at this time. King Memorial Home, Mentone, is handling arrangements.

**Betty J. Steen Wildermuth**

Sept. 2, 1928 - Nov. 8, 2015

Betty J. Steen WILDERMUTH, 87, Akron, and formerly of Dublin, Ohio, died Sunday, Nov. 8, 2015, at her residence.

She was born Sept. 2, 1928, in Washington Court House, Ohio, to Frank and Ersie (Maynard) Sanders. In June 1947, in Washington Court House, Ohio, she married William D. Steen, who preceded her in death on Oct. 18, 1989. She then married Joseph Wildermuth on Jan 3, 1998, he survives.

She was a longtime office manager for Worthington Hills Country Club, Worthington, Ohio. She was a 1946 graduate of Washington Court House High School. She attended the Akron Church of God. Betty enjoyed bowling in her younger years. More recently, she enjoyed reading Christian romance novels, playing solitaire,



working at the food pantry at the church and getting breakfast at Akron Kountry Kitchen.

Survivors include her husband, Joe Wildermuth, Akron; son James and wife Bonnie Steen, Akron; daughters Deborah and husband Benjamin Reeves, Grove City, Ohio, and Diana and husband Jack Haran, Bluffton, South Carolina; nine grandchildren, Sean, Adam, Matthew, Hilary, Victoria, Rebecca, David, Gerrick, and Cassie; 10 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Frank and Ersie (Maynard) Sanders; her first husband, William Steen; three sisters, Mary Jo Kelly, Emma Jo Kelly and Laura Arnold.

Betty's funeral service is 6 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 12, 2015, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Pastor Terry Canfield officiating.

Visitation is two hours prior to the service from 4-6 p.m. at the funeral home. A private family burial will be at Sunset Cemetery, Galloway, Ohio.

Memorial contributions may be made to Akron Church of God Food Pantry. You may share a memory and send online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Elizabeth Johnston**

Elizabeth Jean JOHNSTON, 81, Rochester, passed away at Life Care Center, Rochester, on Saturday, Nov. 7, 2015.

Survivors include husband Neil Johnston, Rochester; two daughters MaryJane Glass and Jeanne Shultz, both of Rochester; son James Orisch, Lake Alfred, Fla.; brother James Wenrick, South Bend.

Her service will be 2 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 12, 2015, at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation is Wednesday from 5-8 p.m. and Thursday one hour prior to service at the funeral home.

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### **Elizabeth J. "Jeanie" Johnston**

July 24, 1934 – Nov. 7, 2015

Elizabeth Jean "Jeanie" JOHNSTON, 81, Rochester, was surrounded by her loving family when she passed away at Life Care Center, Rochester, on Saturday, Nov. 7, 2015.

On July 24, 1934, in South Bend Elizabeth Jean “Jeanie” Wenrick was born, the precious daughter of Lawrence Scott and Elizabeth Pecsí Wenrick. She was the second oldest of five children, sharing her childhood with Mabel, Ed, Jimmy and John.

On March 28, 1981, in Rochester at the First Christian Church, Jeanie married the love of her life Mr. Neil Johnston. Together they shared more than 34 years of life’s adventures.

As a domestic engineer, Jeanie possessed an unparalleled repertoire for homemaking. A seamstress, she made her children’s school clothing and later wedding dresses for her daughters. She embroidered applique accents for pillow cases and crocheted aprons. Crispy fried chicken and steaming chop suey were two of her entrees in demand. Jeanie’s Thanksgiving dressing was second to none. The holiday season also brought on another of her specialties, making the Hungarian pastry kolache.

A holiday tradition was baking chocolate chip cookies with her daughters. There was always time to create some custom Christmas ornaments and other crafts for the holiday season. Grandma Jeanie loved and adored her grandchildren and the great-grandchildren, cherishing the adventures they all shared and time spent together making memories.

Left to treasure her memory are her husband Neil Johnston, Rochester; two daughters, MaryJane Glass and “Little Jeanne” Shultz, both of Rochester; a son, James Orisch and wife Lisa, Lake Alfred, Fla.; four grandchildren, John Leedom, Jason Leedom, Christopher Orish and Kayla Shultz; numerous great grandchildren; and a brother, James “Jimmy” Wenrick, South Bend; two sisters-in-law, Marcia Wenrick and Myra Varga; a brother-in-law, Bill Cave, South Bend. Preceding her in death are her parents; two brothers, Edward S. Wenrick on July 22, 2011, John Wenrick; sister Mabel Cave, who passed away in late October 2015; and a niece, Beth Wenrick.

A celebration of the life of Mrs. Elizabeth Jean “Jeanie” Wenrick Johnston will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 12, 2015, in the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th Street, Rochester. Friends may visit with her family from 5-8 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday for an hour prior to her service. Pastor Curtis May will officiate. Burial will follow at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www. goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Arvella Lynch**

Arvella LYNCH, 47, Etna Green, died Saturday at home.

She is survived by two sons, Larry Stauffer and Daryl Jacobs; two sisters, Sheila Crowe and Renae McCartney.

Her funeral service is 6 p.m. Thursday at McHatton-Sadler Funeral Chapel, Warsaw.

Visitation is from 3-6 p.m. Thursday in the funeral chapel.

### **Lucile Marie Moore**

Nov. 25, 1924 - Aug. 25, 2015

Lucile Marie (Wakefield) MOORE, 90, passed away on Aug. 25, 2015, at Indiana University Hospice House, Bloomington, after a short illness.

Lucile was born on Nov. 25, 1924, in Evansville to Mildred E. (Nafe) Wakefield, formerly of Fulton County, and Markham C. Wakefield. She grew up there and graduated from Central High School. She graduated from Indiana University in 1946 with a bachelor's degree in Spanish. Following graduation she started work at Eli Lilly Company in Indianapolis in the translation department. In 1950 she married John T. Moore and became a homemaker. During their lives together they lived in Indianapolis, Evansville, Terre Haute and Charleston, Ill., while John was a university professor. They lived in Bloomington and Rochester in retirement.

Lucile leaves a daughter, Laura Moore, Bloomington and Rochester.

She was preceded in death by her husband John and daughter, Leslie Ann Moore.

Lucile was a member of Delta sorority, DAR, Monroe County History Center, Bloomington Restorations, Indiana Landmarks, Fulton County Historical Society and various conservation and land/wildlife associations. She enjoyed reading, crossword puzzles, Jeopardy and travel.

A gathering in honor of Lucile will be Saturday, Nov. 14, 2015, at the Fulton County Public Library, 320 W. 7th Street, Rochester, in the Indiana Room from 1-4 p.m. If friends wish to make a remembrance in her name, in lieu of flowers, contributions may be given to Fulton County Historical Society, 37 E. 375 North, Rochester, or to the Fulton County Animal Adoption and Education Center, 1540 Wentzel St., Rochester.

### **George Schlosser**

George Herbert SCHLOSSER, 85, formerly of Argos, died Wednesday at Life Care Center, Rochester. Arrangements are pending at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

### **Wilma Snyder**

Wilma Jean SNYDER, 91, Lucerne, died Monday at Woodbridge Health Campus, Logansport. A graveside service is Friday at 1 p.m. at Metea Baptist Cemetery.

**Barbara Niester**

Barbara NIESTER, 90, Rochester and Decatur, Ill., died Monday at Imboden Creek Living Center, Decatur, Ill.

Her graveside service is 1 p.m. Saturday at Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester. Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, is handling arrangements.

Friday, November 13, 2015

**Barbara Niester**

Sept. 27, 1925 - Nov. 9, 2015

Barbara NIESTER, 90, Decatur, Ill. and Rochester, passed away at 12:20 p.m. Monday, Nov. 9, 2015, at Imboden Creek Living Center, Decatur, Ill., where she had resided the past two years.

She was born on Sept. 27, 1925, in Chicago, the daughter of Whitfield and Emma B. (Bollongino) Wilcox. On March 9, 1947, in Grinnell, Iowa, she married I. Duane Niester. They resided in Grinnell until moving to Akron, and then moved to Rochester in 1957. Duane preceded her death on Nov. 6, 1989.

Barb was a homemaker. Elated horse lovers, Duane and Barb were members of the Mizpah Horse Patrol, traveling to many parades to march with their horses.

Survivors include her daughter-in-law, Linda Niester; grandsons Andrew (wife Aaron) and Richard Niester; great-grandchildren Payton, 6, and Wyatt, 20 months, all of Decatur, Ill.

She was preceded in death by her son, Douglas D. Niester, on Aug. 6, 2015.

Her graveside service will be 1 p.m. Saturday Nov. 14, 2015, at Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester. Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, is handling arrangements. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

**George Schlosser**

George Herbert SCHLOSSER, 85, Rochester, formerly of Argos, died Wednesday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

He is survived by daughter Cynthia Beal, Atlanta, and sister Virginia VanDerWeele, Argos.

His funeral service is 1 p.m. Monday at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos. Visitation is prior to the service from 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Saturday, November 14, 2015

**Daisy Carol Markley**

Sept. 5, 1933 - Nov. 9, 2015

Daisy Carol MARKLEY, 82, passed away on Monday, Nov. 9, 2015, in Sebring, Fla. She was born Sept. 5, 1933, in Tippecanoe, to the late Vernon and Laura (Huffman) Baer.

Daisy was a cook at Riddle Elementary School, Rochester, for more than 30 years. She enjoyed square dancing, gardening and reading. She was a member of the Hoosier Old Wheels car club and enjoyed spending time with her family. She spent her winter months in Avon Park, Fla., since 1992. During the spring and summer months she lived in Rochester.

Daisy is survived by her husband, Richard Markley, Avon Park, Fla.; children Kathy Tuley (Jerry), Winamac, Rick Markley (Ruthann) and Rusty Markley (Serita), both of Rochester; brother Richard Baer, Tippecanoe; sister Donnabelle Holston, Indiana; seven grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

The family had a private service for Daisy in Florida. In lieu of flowers, donations made in Daisy's name to the American Cancer Society or any animal rescue organization are appreciated.

### **Clara Alice Troutman**

March 7, 1931 - Nov. 12, 2015

Clara Alice TROUTMAN, 84, Logansport, passed away at 10:10 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 12, 2015, in Logansport Memorial Hospital.

Born March 7, 1931, in Metea, she was the daughter of the late Albert W. and Gladys E. (Doud) Shoup. On May 29, 1942, in the Metea Baptist Church, she was married to Harold E. Troutman. He preceded in death Jan. 31, 2011.

Clara Alice was a 1949 graduate of Metea High School. She was also a graduate of the Indiana Business College. She worked as a bookkeeper at Thomas-Everman-Meyers Company and later at Gerhart Feed & Grain. Many will remember the excellent meals at the Four County Counseling Center where she worked as a food manager and bookkeeper.

A lifetime member of Metea Baptist Church, for 51 years Clara Alice served as the Bethlehem Helping Hands 4-H leader.

Every year for 50 years she organized the food committee for Pancake Day. She chaired the food service committee and worked fish fry dinners, Home-Ec concession stand as well as other catered events at the Cass County fairgrounds. She served on the board of the Cass County 4-H Fair Association and the 4-H Council. Her life revolved around 4-H. Clara Alice was a member of the American Angus Association and supported her children as they showed cattle at the county and state fairs as well as state and national livestock Angus beef shows. She enjoyed bowling, euchre, fishing and camping. Along with being an excellent cook, she had a huge garden. She was the

number one cheerleader at every sporting event or activity involving her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Surviving are one daughter, Ruth Ann Miller, Rochester; three sons, James Troutman, Logansport, Joseph (Diana) Troutman, Flora and John (Karen) Troutman, Galveston; one sister-in-law, Karen Shoup, Twelve Mile; eight grandchildren, Christi (Aaron) Rush, Kevin (Amy) Miller, Amy (Grant) Rentschler, Ryan Troutman, Andrew Troutman, Nathan Troutman, Michelle Porter and Craig Troutman; nine great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, James (Shirley) Shoup and Robert (Elsie) Shoup and an infant sister.

A funeral service celebrating the life of Clara Alice Troutman will be 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 17, 2015, in Fisher Funeral Chapel, Logansport, with Pastors Bruce Russell and Tyler Murphy officiating. Burial will follow at Metea Baptist Cemetery. Family and friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Monday, Nov. 16, in the funeral chapel.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Cass County 4-H Fair Association. You may share condolences and view her video tribute at [www.fisherfuneralchapel.com](http://www.fisherfuneralchapel.com).

### **Mary Jane Cabiness**

Jan. 16, 1922 - Nov. 13, 2015

Mary Jane CABINESS, 93, Rochester, passed away Friday, Nov. 13, 2015, in Woodbridge Health Campus.

Born Jan. 16, 1922, in Logansport, she was the daughter of the late Earl and Bertha May White Burk. On May 21, 1939, in Young America, she was married to Bernard C. "Bernie" Cabiness. He preceded her in death Aug. 20, 2004.

Mary Jane was a graduate of Washington Township High School. She was retired from JC Penney, where she had worked as a selling supervisor. She enjoyed the friendships made with her coworkers there.

There were many heroes from our nation's Greatest Generation. Mary Jane and Bernie were two of them. While serving our country during WWII, Bernie suffered devastating injuries that left him as a paraplegic for the rest of his life. Upon his homecoming, Mary Jane nursed him back to health and was a loving caregiver for the next 59 years. She never allowed his disability to slow them down. Their love story is a testament to their faith and all that is good in this life.

She was a member of the Calvary Presbyterian Church. She and Bernie started wintering in Florida in the 60's at Pompano Beach. They enjoyed their lake home on Lake Manitou. Mary Jane enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren. She loved to travel and had been to Europe, and on several cruises. Family dinners were very important to her. She loved being surrounded by her family and good food.

Surviving are two daughters, Sue Casalini and her husband Joe, Logansport, and Jean Carr of Fontana, Calif.; three brothers, Robert “Bob” Burk, Paul Burk and Jim (Chris) Burk; three grandchildren, Curt Carr, Cathy (Kerry) Curtis and Elizabeth Casilini Loposser; nine great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Jack and Harold Burk; one sister, Katherine Burk; and one grandson, Michael Casalini.

A funeral service celebrating the life of Mary Jane Cabiness will be 2 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20, 2015, at Fisher Funeral Chapel, Logansport, with Rev. Chuck Compton officiating. Interment will follow at the Mount Hope Cemetery. Family and friends may call from noon until the time of the service in the funeral chapel. Memorial contributions may be made to the Calvary Presbyterian Church Building Fund. You may share condolences and view her video tribute at [www.fisherfuneralchapel.com](http://www.fisherfuneralchapel.com).

Monday, November 16, 2015

No Obituaries

Tuesday, November 17, 2015

### **Gene Hiatt**

Nelson Gene HIATT, 72, Rochester, died Monday. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

### **Marjorie E. Beller**

Feb. 26, 1928 - Nov. 15, 2015

Marjorie E. BELLER, 87, formerly of Goshen, died Sunday, Nov. 15, 2015, at Warsaw Meadow Care Center, Warsaw, where she had been the last year.

She was born Feb. 26, 1928, in Muncie to Arthur and Josephine (Dentner) Maitlen. On April 25, 1948, she married Clarence “Bud” Beller in Muncie. He died in 1992.

She is survived by a son, Doug (Yvonne) Beller, Rochester; two grandchildren, Chris (Amy) Beller, Warsaw, and Brandon (Alex) Beller, Syracuse; two stepgrandchildren, Austin White, Kokomo and Houston White, Kewanna; three great-grandchildren, Gibson, Chloe and Cayden Beller; and two stepgreat-grandchildren, Nevaeh and Emma.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband and a sister, Joanna Kegerreis.

A longtime Goshen resident, Mrs. Beller graduated from Muncie Central High School in 1946 and Ball State University in 1948. She worked at Johnson Controls for 32 years, retiring in 1998.

She was a member of Goshen City Church of the Brethren, where she served on the church board and as chairman of the Witness Commission. She also served on the board of The Window. She was a member of Questers #315, the Goshen Eastern Star and Maplecrest Country Club.

Friends may call Wednesday from 4-8 p.m. at Yoder-Culp Funeral Home, where an 11 a.m. funeral service will be on Thursday.

Burial will follow in Violet Cemetery, Goshen.

Memorial contributions may be made to Goshen City Church of the Brethren or Goshen Care at Home Hospice.

Online condolences may be shared at [www.yoderculpfuneralhome.com](http://www.yoderculpfuneralhome.com).

### **Jeremiah J. Mathis**

June 16, 1992 - Aug. 20, 2015

Jeremiah J. MATHIS, 23, Lucerne, passed away at 8:21 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 20, 2015, Rochester.

He was born in Indianapolis on June 16, 1992. He was the son of Guy and Bonnie (Biggs) Mathis. He attended Caston High School and graduated high school early from Penn Foster, where he also received a certificate in locksmithing.

Jeremiah was currently working at Wal-Mart in Rochester. He was a talented artist who enjoyed drawing, as well as creating sculptures from various items. He also enjoyed fishing.

Survivors include his mother, Bonnie Mathis, Lucerne; sisters Robin and husband Paul Jeffs, Lucerne, Rhonda Layton, Peru, Regina and husband Paul Eads, Tennessee, Randi York, Peru; brothers Guy Ronald Jr. and wife Denise Mathis, Peru, Tony Mathis, Florida; several nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, Guy Mathis, and two nephews.

Services will be at a later date. Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, is handling arrangements. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

Wednesday, November 18, 2015

### **Gene Hiatt**

Nelson Gene HIATT, 72, Rochester, died Monday at his farm.

Gene is survived by his wife, Ruth; two daughters, Miriam Miller, Macy, and Rachel Schnitz, Rochester; two sons, Stephen Hiatt and Michael Hiatt, both of



Rochester; sister Kathryn Hiatt, Plymouth; two brothers, Pat Hiatt, Rochester, and Phil Hiatt, Plymouth.

His funeral service is 11 a.m. Friday at The Cross church, Rochester. Visitation is one hour prior to service at the church and from 3-8 p.m. on Thursday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

### **Robert D. HARGER**

Jan. 12, 1930 - Nov. 16, 2015

Robert D. HARGER, 85, Rochester, passed away at 8:05 p.m. Monday, Nov. 16, 2015, at Woodlawn Hospital.

He was born Jan. 12, 1930, in Hastings, Neb., to Elsie and George Harger. He had an interesting life in that he was sailing around the world at age 15 with the Merchant Marine cargo ships. He joined the U.S. Army and served on Okinawa as a criminal investigator. He was a conductor on the Pennsylvania Railroad and Conrail out of Logansport. On July 24, 1954, he married Anne DeLong in Logansport. They celebrated 61 years of marriage this year.

In December of 1954, they were blessed with a son, Mark Alan; and in March of 1957, they were blessed with another son, James.

Bob was a 40-year member of Murat Shrine Temple, Indianapolis, and Logansport Shrine Club. He belonged to Masonic Lodge No. 665 in Fulton. He was also a member of VFW Lodge #3790 in Logansport.

Bob made over 500 trips taking children to the Shriner Hospital in Chicago and also the Cincinnati Burns Hospital.

Survivors include his wife, Anne; son Mark and his wife Mary, Kokomo; sister Susie Zutter and husband Leroy, New Hampshire; sister-in-law Jean Smoot, Wrenton, Washington; grandchildren Carli Davis and husband Brett, Fayetteville, Ga.; Adam Harger and wife Lindsay, Scotland; Matthew Harger, Boston, Mass.; Mason LaPorte, Elkhart; great-grandchildren Hazel and Callum Davis, Fayetteville, Ga.

Bob was preceded in death by his son, James, and brother, Gerald Smoot.

He has donated his body to IU Medical Center for research. Memorial contributions may be made to Shriner Hospitals at the Logansport Shrine Club.

He was a member of Grace United Methodist Church.

In accordance with his wishes, there will be no services at this time. The family would like to thank Life Care Center, Rochester, and the emergency staff at Woodlawn Hospital.

### **Harret R. Owens**

Harret R. OWENS, 94, Rochester, died Monday at Life Care Center, Rochester. Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

Thursday, November 19, 2015

**Nelson Gene Hiatt**

On May 23, 1943 - Nov. 16, 2015

Mr. Gene HIATT, 72, Rochester, passed away at 3:01 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 16, 2015, at his farm.

On May 23, 1943, Nelson Gene was born in Richland Township, a treasured son of Clarence L. and Charlotte McMillen Hiatt. Growing up he shared his childhood with a sister and three brothers. Gene developed a lifelong passion for agriculture, spending his youth on the family farm. He graduated from Richland Center High School in 1962.

Pursuing his formal education, Gene studied at the Bemidji Bible Institute in Minnesota for three years. During this time he spent six months in the Holy Land, specifically Dothan, Jordan, as an archeologist studying archeology. Returning home he enrolled at Bethel College, earning a bachelor's degree in elementary education. Gene continued his education, attaining a master's degree in elementary education from the University of St. Francis, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Hiatt taught elementary school in Winamac for seven years before refocusing his professional career as a full-time farmer. During his teaching years, Gene kept his eye out for a student who possessed the initial qualities of an underdog. It was a personal goal to elevate that student and arm him or her with leadership qualities and make a change in their young lives.

In Plymouth, Gene married the love of his life and best friend, Jo Ruth Good, on June 21, 1969. Together they shared more than 46 years of life's adventures. Their union produced four wonderful children, Stephen, Michael, Miriam and Rachel. The blessing of another generation has been added to the family tree with ten grandchildren.

Gene's passion for farming involved a wide and varied spectrum. From his family farm, he annually led in the planting of a huge truck patch garden. The bountiful harvest was enjoyed by his family, but also his loyal customers at the Hiatt Garden Farm Markets of Plymouth and Rochester and the South Bend Farmer's Market. As an entrepreneur, he raised chickens and turkeys and opened a processing operation on his Richland Township homestead. From 1990-1997 Gene and his family owned and operated the Hiatt Ice Company.

For more than four decades, Gene served as the South Bend Farmer's Market president.

He was active with the Gideons International for many years, serving as zone leader. More recently he was a charter member of The Cross church, Rochester, where he worked on many committees. Gene was especially proud of the many short term missionary trips to Honduras, Escusla el Sanbrado. It was here that he taught the

villagers how to plant, maintain the crops and maximize the harvest of a truck patch garden. A lifelong teacher at heart, he also taught them how to set up a poultry farm complete with processing operation. These gifts allowed the local farmers to be self-sustaining and independent.

Together Gene and Ruth raised four children who all contribute to our community. What a legacy he has left them, instilling basic values and many of the ingredients to lead a successful, productive life. As a role model he demonstrated a strong work ethic, loyalty and how to maintain independence, just naming a few of the life lessons he passed on. He had an uncanny ability to identify a weakness with his offspring and help them overcome, creating a newfound strength.

Born with a birth defect to his right hand, Gene not only persevered but prevailed, never allowing that to overcome him or stop his progress. He would make modifications and re-invent methods to accommodate that little hurdle. In his early years, he was an accomplished basketball player, could clean and cut up a chicken faster or carry a five gallon bucket just like anyone. His positive attitude was unparalleled.

Left to cherish Gene's memory are his loving wife Ruth; two daughters, Miriam Miller and husband Tim, Macy, Rachel Schnitz and husband Kyle, Rochester; two sons, Stephen "Goose" Hiatt, Rochester, Michael Hiatt and wife Julie, Rochester; 10 grandchildren, Maddison Hiatt, Mikayla Hiatt, Mallory Hiatt, Peyton Hiatt, Hannah Miller, Leah Miller, Rivkah Miller, Silas Miller, Emma Rae Schnitz, Ella Grace Schnitz; a sister, Kathryn Hiatt, Plymouth; two brothers, Pat Hiatt and wife Patty, Rochester, Phil Hiatt and wife Shirley, Plymouth; sister-in-law, Carol Hiatt, Rochester; and several nieces and nephews.

Preceding Gene in death are his parents; an infant granddaughter, Maegan Hiatt; and a brother, Ernest Hiatt on Oct. 21, 2015.

A celebration of the life of Mr. Nelson Gene Hiatt will be at 11 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 20, 2015, at The Cross church, 100 W. Third St., Rochester, with Pastor Martin Furrow officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 3-8 p.m. Thursday in the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, and one hour prior to the service in the church. Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Matthew's Market, 100 W. Third St., Rochester, IN 46975 or to the South Bend Farmers Market, 1105 Northside Blvd., South Bend, IN 46615. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Harret R. Owens**

Harret R. OWENS, 94, Rochester, died Monday at Life Care Center, Rochester. Survivors include his brother, Frederick McGee.

His funeral service is Saturday at 1 p.m. at Rochester Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses. Arrangements are entrusted to Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

Friday, November 20, 2015

**Mary L. Correll**

Mary L. CORRELL, 82, Argos died Wednesday at her residence. Arrangements are pending with the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

**Harret R. Owens**

Harret R. OWENS, 94, Rochester, died Monday at Life Care Center, Rochester. Survivors include her brother, Frederick Nette.

Her funeral service is Saturday at 1 p.m. at Rochester Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses. Arrangements are entrusted to Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

**Raymond Boardman**

Raymond W. BOARDMAN, 75, Rochester, died Wednesday at his residence.

He is survived by his daughter, Clara Boardman, South Bend; two sons, Raymond C. Boardman, Rochester, and Allen Boardman, Altoona, Pa.; sister Ruth Buis, Indianapolis; two brothers, Frank Boardman, Winamac, and Royce Boardman, Buffalo.

His service is 2 p.m. Sunday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation is one hour prior to the service.

**Brenten Harrington**

Brenten Layne HARRINGTON, 3 months, Rochester, died Wednesday, Brenten is survived by his parents Adam and Lisa Harrington, Rochester; sister Shea; brothers Aiden and Braden.

His funeral service is at 1 p.m. Monday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation is two hours prior to the service at the funeral home.

Saturday, November 21, 2015

**Mary L. Correll**

Mary L. CORRELL, 82, Argos, died Wednesday at her residence.

She is survived by a daughter, Michelle Sentz, Argos; sons Steven Pennington, Culver, Charles Pennington, Granger, David Pennington, Argos, Calvin Pennington, Montpelier, Ohio, and Bradley Pennington, Plymouth; sisters Lelia Denny, North Liberty, and Shirley Stevens, Argos; brothers Jerry Andrews, Rochester; and Doug Andrews, Argos.

Funeral service is 2 p.m. Sunday at the Church of Jesus Christ, Argos. Visitation is one hour prior to service at the church.

Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos, is handling arrangements.

### **Brenten Layne Harrington**

Aug. 19, 2015 - Nov. 18, 2015

Brenten Layne passed into the arms of Jesus on Nov. 18, 2015. He is the son of Adam and Lisa Miller Harrington of Rochester. Brenten was loved by many and will be missed by all. Your life here on earth was brief, but the memories of you will last forever: your beautiful blue eyes, your amazing big smile, your adorable little laugh, your cute little elf ears (courtesy of dad), and your bright red hair (thanks again, dad). You were such a happy-go-lucky little boy. We would sing to you while you'd smile back at us. You who wanted to sit up during brother's basketball games and yell at them with us, you who loved to be held and snuggled, were such a happy baby who loved being with your brothers, sister, cousins, aunts, uncles, and grandparents and all of the family friends. From birth you had a beautiful smile and something to tell us. Your sweet voice and beautiful smile will always be missed. Brenten, we know that God had a plan for you, and that one day we will meet up again in Heaven; but until that day the bright sunlight that shines into our home is a reminder of you, what a bright light you were in our lives. Brenten Harrington, you will forever be missed.

Brenten is survived by his parents Adam and Lisa Harrington; sister Shea; brothers Aiden and Braden; grandparents Brent and Susan Tobin, Greentown, James and Virginia Harrington, Culver, John and Joyce Miller, Brooksville, Miss.; great-grandma Kay Einheistra, Winamac; godparents Heather and Cole Shepherd; and many aunts, uncles and cousins and tons of family friends.

He was proceeded in death by Rachel Miller, his grandma.

A celebration of the life of Brenten Layne Harrington will be 1 p.m. Monday, Nov. 23, 2015, at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Chaplain Jason See officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 11 a.m. 1 p.m. Monday at the funeral home. Interment will be at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to American Sids Institute, 528 Raven Way, Naples, Fla., 34110.

Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Raymond Boardman**

June 20, 1940 - Nov. 18, 2015

Mr. Raymond W. BOARDMAN, 75, Rochester, passed away on Wednesday, Nov. 18, 2015, at his residence.

On June 20, 1940, Ray was born in Aurora, Ill. to George and Ellen Woolley Boardman. He was the oldest of four children sharing his childhood with a sister and two brothers. In 1958, he graduated from Buffalo High School of Buffalo, Indiana. Ray moved to the Rochester community in 1998 from Goshen.

John Deere green was Ray's favorite color. His hobbies included collecting toy farm tractors, watching NASCAR, the world news and weather. Farming with his John Deere G or driving his Cab over Peterbuilt was his way of life. While out on the road, he often reported back to his family the status of the crops throughout the U.S.

Ray also loved the Red, White and Blue. Supporting our troops and veterans was very near and dear to his heart. He was a true American.

Ray is lovingly survived by his daughter, Clara Boardman, South Bend; two sons, Raymond C. Boardman and wife Ellen, Rochester, and Allen Boardman, Altoona, Pa.; eight grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; a sister, Ruth Buis and husband Dick, Indianapolis; two brothers, Frank Boardman and wife Marilyn, Winamac, Royce Boardman and wife Connie, Buffalo; and several nieces and nephews.

Preceding Ray in death are his parents and an infant daughter, Rogina Boardman.

A celebration of the life of Mr. Raymond W. Boardman will be at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 22, 2015, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Pastor Buck Padilla officiating. Friends may visit with the family one hour prior to the service. Please plan to share your favorite story of Ray.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials be made to Fulton County DAV Vehicle Fund, in care of Fulton County Auditor, 125 E. Ninth St., Rochester, IN 46975. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Monday, November 23, 2015

### **Bryan H. Green Sr.**

Jan. 30, 1931 - Nov. 21, 2015

Bryan H. GREEN Sr., 84, Rochester, passed away at 4:09 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, 2015, at his residence.

He was born on Jan. 30, 1931, in Knox, to William Bryan Green Sr. and Edna A. (Burkett) Green. After high school, he served with the United States Marine Corps during the Korean War. On July 1, 1967, in Argos, he married Betty Darlene Rains and she survives.

He worked for Safeway Steel for over 28 years. He also worked for Paris Tool & Die and had worked as a painter. He was a Golden Age Eagle with the Eagles Lodge, a member of Disabled American Veterans and a member of Connection Pointe

Church, Brownsburg. In his spare time he enjoyed archery, playing dice, fishing, hunting, bowling, horseshoes, camping and loved to make zucchini banana bread. He will be remembered fondly for his tall stories he loved to tell.

Survivors include his wife Betty D. Green, Rochester; children Michelle and husband Mike Reinhart, Bruce Lake, Corey Wayne and wife Angela Green, Argos, Bryan Hartley Green Jr. and wife Gwyn, Brownsburg, Jan and husband Denny Stockberger, Rochester; stepson Tom MacLain and fiancé Noel Keegan, Twelve Mile; several grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; brothers Larry and wife Ann Green, Florida, Dean Smith, Rochester; close family friends Barb and James Rock, Rochester, Fritz Heinzmann, Rochester; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, brother William Grafton Green and sister Orla Mabel Joschko.

His funeral service is 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 24, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Friends may call from 4-7 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

Burial will be at a later date. Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association or to Disabled American Veterans. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Larry Paxton**

Larry PAXTON, 80, Rochester, passed away at 7:10 a.m. Nov. 21, 2015, at Peabody Retirement Community, North Manchester.

Survivors include wife Patty; daughter Deborah Paxton, Rochester; brothers Edward Paxton and Earl "Bud" Paxton, both of Rochester.

The service will be private. Good Family Funeral Home has been entrusted with the arrangements.

### **Mary L. Weirick**

Mary L. WEIRICK, 98, Peru, passed away on Saturday, Nov. 21, 2015, at her residence.

Funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 25, 2015, at Ebenezer United Methodist Church, Macy. Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Tuesday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver.

Tuesday, November 24, 2015

### **Larry E. Paxton**

July 15, 1935 - Nov. 21, 2015

Mr. Larry E. PAXTON, 80, Rochester, passed away at 7:10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, 2015, at Peabody Retirement Community, North Manchester.

On July 15, 1935, Larry Eugene was born in Henry Township, a treasured son of Russell and Jessie Landis Paxton. Growing up as one of ten children, Larry shared his childhood with four brothers and five sisters. With great Flyer pride he graduated from Akron High School in 1953, where he starred on the basketball team.

Larry and Patty L. Bilyew were married on Jan. 31, 1955. Together they shared nearly 61 years of life's adventures. From their union came a beautiful daughter Deb. Over the years, the family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of a granddaughter Lacey and two great-granddaughters.

With a passion for agriculture, Larry enjoyed grain farming until retiring in 1986. During the early years he had a milk route that prior to the bulk tank era required lifting the heavy metal milk cans into the truck. He later worked for Senco as a sales service rep of pneumatic airguns and nailers. During his tenure with Senco, Larry designed and invented a robotic nailer used in the industrial setting.

As the patriarch of the Paxton family Larry was proud to oversee four generations. He looked forward to family celebrations and the holidays. Remembered as a man with a solid work ethic, Larry worked seven days a week. As a loving father, he always made time each day for Deb. Many times she accompanied him on the milk route. Other times she stayed at home. But when the milk truck pulled into the drive, not only Deb, but the neighborhood kids raced out to greet him also, as they all knew it was playtime and game time with Larry. Later, Patty would beckon them to dinner.

The kitchen table was a place of family time. After the completion of the meal, the three would relax, talk about the day's events, and maybe play games, but always set aside time for teaching their pre-schooler, Deb, some lessons to better prepare her for her formal school days ahead. Math lessons would include dice or cards, making it a game and making it fun.

When Lacey was a youngster growing up, Grandpa Larry always accompanied her on classroom field trips. They were attired in complimentary clothing, stylishly dressed, perfect for the adventure of the day. He never missed an event and always had fun making memories for a lifetime.

Left to cherish Larry's memory are his wife Patty; a daughter, Deborah Paxton, Rochester; granddaughter Lacey O'Keefe and husband Shaun, Allentown, Pa; two great-grandchildren, Carly Elizabeth, 4, and Teagan Kinley, 1; two brothers, Edward Paxton and Earl "Bud" Paxton and wife Phyllis, both of Rochester; and several nieces and nephews.

Preceding Larry in death are his parents; five sisters, Charlotte Keesey, Neva Stackhouse, Freida Geiger, Edna Curtis, Bonnie Garber; two brothers, James Paxton and Harold Paxton; and his father and mother-in-law, Joseph Bilyew and Eva Martin Bilyew.

A private family service will be at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with Pastor Larry Pyeatt officiating. Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.



Online expressions of sympathy may be made to Larry's family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

**Mary Lorene Weirick**

Sept. 27, 1917 - Nov. 21, 2015

Mary Lorene WEIRICK, 98, Peru, passed away at 5:40 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, 2015, at her residence.

Born Sept. 27, 1917, in Perry Township, Miami County, she was the daughter of Elmer and Addie Glee Butt Fites. On Feb. 11, 1939, in the parsonage of the Gilead Methodist Church, she was married to Uriah "Sonny" Weirick, and he preceded her in death on Sept. 16, 1998, after 49 years of marriage.

Mary was a member of the Ebenezer United Methodist Church near Macy. She was devoted to her family and was always seen, after her beloved husband passed, with one of his handkerchiefs proudly displayed in her hand, always keeping his memory close. She collected cardinals and enjoyed watching the Indiana Pacers.

She was a loving mother to her five daughters, Roberta Daluisio, Peru; Shirley Creager, North Manchester; Madonna McCombs (Don), Sebring Fla.; Jennifer Daugherty (Thomas), Amboy; and Mary Kaye Jones (Kerny), Peru. She also leaves nine grandchildren to cherish her memory, Kevin Matyjasik (Kim), New York; Kim Casper (Mike), Rochester; Cynthia Fisher, Florida; Paula Shaw, Wabash; Heather Troyer (Jeremy), Indianapolis; Jeremy Daugherty (Lindsey), Indianapolis; Laura Stapleton (Clinton), Peru; Keenan Jones (Tiffany), Amboy; and Marvin Jones, Peru; and one step-grandson, Grayson McCombs, Akron; fourteen great-grandchildren; and eight great-great grandchildren.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by her seven siblings, Ralph Fites, James Fites, Paul Fites, Ruth Bammerlin, Grace Waechter, Evelyn Schipper, and Normalene Wagner, and two sons-in-law, Paul Creager and Ralph Daluisio.

A funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 25, 2015, at Ebenezer United Methodist Church, Macy, with Pastor Thomas Daugherty officiating. Burial will follow in Ebenezer Cemetery. Visitation will be from 4-8 p.m. on Tuesday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver, and one hour prior to the service on Wednesday at the church.

Memorial contributions may be made to Ebenezer Cemetery. Condolences may be sent online at [www.mcclainfh.com](http://www.mcclainfh.com).

**Joann W. Clinger**

April 18, 1941 - Nov. 23, 2015

Mrs. Joann W. CLINGLER, 74, Tippecanoe, passed away at 9 a.m. Monday, Nov. 23, 2015, at her son's home.

On April 18, 1941, Joann was born in Delong to Joseph Walter and Daisey Mae Miller Denny. Joann and Melvin Lewis Clingler were married on Jan. 6, 1958, in Leiters Ford. They shared 37 years of life's adventures. He passed away on Dec. 9, 1995.

Joann loved the Lord Jesus Christ as her personal Savior and often would share her testimony. She would want you to know John 3:16, 'For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him will not perish, but have everlasting life' (KJV).

Loving children was a constant in her life, while assisting with vacation Bible school and the AWANA programs at the Tippecanoe Community Church.

"Rain or shine, snow or sleet" was a saying Joann knew well as she served the Delong community for 23 years as their postmaster. Her family owned and operated the Clinglers' Country Market, Delong and Mentone. The Clinglers' Country Inn, Delong, was a favorite eatery to many.

Joann is lovingly remembered by two sons, William L. Clingler and wife Michelle, Culver; Pastor Gary C. Clingler and wife Cindy, Rochester; nine grandchildren, Tom Clingler and wife Peggy, Eric Clingler and wife Jenny, Amber Onyx and husband Ryan, Larry Clingler and wife C.J., Samantha Town and husband Kyle, Steven Clingler, Melanie Rollins and husband Mac, Autumn Allen Adams and husband Nathan A., Austin Allen; 14 great-grandchildren, Carter, Sydney, Kameron, Jordan, Owen, Kayley, Hunter, Parker, Ady, Kayleigh, Kyla, Kynslie, Kenzie, Mayci; son-in-law Alan Allen and wife Deana, Delong; a sister, Carol Morningstar and husband David, Tippecanoe; three brothers, Carl Denny and wife Lelia, Fish Lake; James Denny, Culver; Gaylord Brown, Connecticut; and several nieces and nephews.

Preceding Joann in death are her parents; husband; a daughter, Christine C. Allen on Aug. 20, 2011; and a brother, Norman Lee Denny.

A celebration of the life of Joann W. Clingler will be 11 a.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 25, 2015, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Pastor George Shoemaker officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 3-8 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 24, 2015, and one hour prior to her service at the funeral home. Interment will be at the Leiters Ford Cemetery.

Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Wednesday, November 25, 2015

No Obituaries

Thursday, November 26, 2015

No Obituaries – Holiday

Friday, November 27, 2015

**Norman E. Meiser**

Aug. 21, 1920 - Nov. 25, 2015

Mr. Norman E. MEISER, 95, Rochester, was surrounded by his loving family when he passed away at 6:53 a.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 25, 2015, at Hickory Creek, Rochester.

On Aug. 21, 1920, Norman Earl was born southeast of Rochester, the treasured son of Charles and Etta Overmyer Meiser. Living nearly a century in the Rochester community, he shared his childhood with an older brother Rolland. As a junior floor general, play-making guard for the RHS basketball team, Norman helped the Zebras ascend to the final four in 1937. The Zebras were beaten by legendary coach John Wooden's South Bend Central team. Norm graduated from Rochester High School in 1938.

Following high school Norm attended Ball State University to study forestry. He also entered the ROTC program. Patriotism beckoned and Norman, a World War II veteran, answered the call, activating his membership with the U.S. Army Air Corps. A man of great bravery, Norm took his position in the nose of the plane behind a machine gun in a B-24 Liberator. He was also charged, as the bombardier, with strategically dropping bombs with strike force accuracy. Stories of those daring memories of being in flight, amazingly close to the enemy, were shared by Norm. After 32 successful missions, and many brushes with destiny, 2nd Lt. Norman E. Meiser was honorably discharged.

Norman and Lillian Camille Thompson were married on May 4, 1946, in Rochester. Together they shared nearly 45 years of life's adventures. From their union came two sons, David and Michael. The family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of five grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

With a strong work ethic, Norm worked during his early years for Studebaker Corporation in South Bend. He later returned to Rochester's Sealed Power, retiring after many years of service. In addition he maintained his farming operation.

As a true man of the land, at home on Green Tree farm, Norm enjoyed a lifelong passion of agriculture. They bred and raised a fine herd of Black Angus and Herefords. Seated atop his shiny red Farmall, the only thing better than the scent of fresh turned soil in the spring was the autumn harvest. Annually Norm and Camille planted a truck patch garden. They shared the bountiful harvest, which always included asparagus, with family, friends and neighbors – even sharing with friends in Greenwood.

Norman is survived by two sons, David Meiser and wife Mary Sue, Greenwood, Michael Meiser, Rochester; five grandchildren, Heather Meiser, James Meiser and wife Lindy, Greenwood, Matt Meiser and wife Gretchen, Michael Meiser, Amy Vance and husband Derrick, all of Rochester; nine great-grandchildren, Jakob Coss and Belle Meiser, Greenwood, Aaron Meiser, Nolan, Gavin and Maddox Lahrman, Andre Meiser, Xavier and Greyson Vance, all of Rochester.

Preceding Norman in death are his parents; beloved wife Camille on March 12, 1991; and brother Rolland Meiser.

Friends may visit with the family of Norman E. Meiser from 9-11 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 28, 2015, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. There will be a private family service. Pastor Jimmy Calhoun will officiate. Military rites will be conducted by the Fulton County Honor Guard and the U.S. Army Honor Guard. Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Memorials, in lieu of flowers, may be made to the donor's choice. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **George D. Franklin**

Dec. 4, 1922 - Nov. 23, 2015

George D. FRANKLIN, 92, formally of Anderson, passed away Nov. 23, 2015, at Miller's Merry Manor, Chesterfield.

George was born Dec. 4, 1922, in Spencer, the son of the late George and Leafie (Thacker) Franklin and was an Army Veteran of WW II. George retired from Container Corporation and then moved to Silver Lake to enjoy fishing full time. He and his wife Edie were members of the Akron Church of God and managed the senior center in Silver Lake for more than 17 years.

He is survived by his wife, Edith "Edie" Harper-Franklin, Silver Lake; his children, Harry (DyAnne) Franklin, Davison Mich., Joyce (David) Pike, Mike (Susie) Franklin, all of Anderson; stepchildren, Jeannine Harper and Daniel Harper, both of Rochester; 12 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. with a service immediately following at 1 p.m. Saturday, at the Brown-Butz-Diedring Funeral Service & Crematory, 515 E. 53rd St. Anderson, with Pastor Art Jaggard officiating. Burial will be at Anderson Memorial Park.

You may post online condolences at [brownbutzdiedring.com](http://brownbutzdiedring.com).

Saturday, November 28, 2015

### **Jack Triplett**

June 20, 1937 - Nov. 26, 2015

Mr. Jack TRIPLETT , 78, Rochester, went home to be with the Lord with his loving wife Phyllis at his bedside at 9:18 p.m. on Nov. 26, 2015.

Born on June 20, 1937, in Wise County, Va., Jack was the treasured son of Thomas and Sarah Stella McGuire Triplett. As the youngest of 10 children, growing up he shared his childhood with five sisters and four brothers. Answering the call of patriotism, Jack enlisted with the U.S. Navy, serving in Cuba from 1956-1958. A few years after returning stateside, he studied at The National Hardwood Lumber Association in Memphis, Tenn. Jack later worked as an inspector for Pike Lumber in Akron for more than 31 dedicated years of service, retiring in 2002.

In Helenwood, Tenn. on June 30, 1961, Jack married the love of his life and best friend, Phyllis Delores Pittman. They shared over 54 years of life's adventures. From their union came a son, Russell, and daughter Melissa. The family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of three grandchildren. As a loyal member of Riverview Community Church, Jack served as usher and was a member of the adult Sunday school class. To relax he enjoyed playing his acoustic guitar. He also was an avid fan of the Tennessee Volunteers. Jack was a member of the RSVP of Rochester. Paramount in his life were his grandchildren. He looked forward to their visits and making memories that would last a lifetime.

Left to cherish Jack's memory are his beloved wife Phyllis, Rochester; a daughter, Melissa Fitzpatrick and husband Martin, San Luis Obispo, Calif.; a son, Russell "Rusty" Triplett (Laura), Cedar Rapids, Iowa; three grandchildren, Sidney, Sammie, Erik Triplett; a sister, Ada Ruth Cantrell, Helenwood, Tenn.; a sister-in-law, Loretta Triplett, Helenwood, Tenn.

Preceding Jack are his parents; four sisters, Hazel Cunningham, Irene Lloyd, Kate Mullins, Frankie Triplett; and the four Triplett brothers, Herbert, Charles, Bill and Estel.

A celebration of the life of Mr. Jack Triplett will be 10 a.m. Monday, Nov. 30, 2015, at the Riverview Community Church, 3780 Indiana 110, Tippecanoe. Pastor Rod Ruberg will officiate. Friends may visit with his family on Sunday from 1-4 p.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, and at the church an hour prior to service. Burial will follow in the Mt. Zion Cemetery, southeast of Rochester. Military rites will be conducted by the Fulton County Honor Guard and the U.S. Navy Honor Guard.

Memorials, in lieu of flowers, may be made in Jack's name to the Riverview Church Roofing Fund. Online expressions of sympathy may be made at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com)

### **James Bruce Lamb**

James Bruce LAMB, 80, Peru, died Wednesday, at Dukes Memorial Hospital, Peru.

He is survived by one son, David Lamb, Peru; one daughter, Julia Glessner, Warren; four siblings, Donnita Rogers, Houston, Texas, Joyce Nobbe, Connersville; John Lamb, Palau, Micronesia, and Mark Lamb, Connersville.

Visitation will be from 2-7 p.m. Monday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver. The funeral service will follow at 7 p.m.

Monday, November 30, 2015

### **Marjory Phillips**

Marjory PHILLIPS, 98, Rochester, died Saturday at Wynnfield Crossing. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

### **Eldon D. Shafer**

May 22, 1941 – Nov. 26, 2015

Eldon Duane SHAFER, 74, lifelong resident of Plymouth, died peacefully at his home on Thanksgiving evening, leaving behind the trials of this world on Nov. 26, 2015.

Eldon was born in Plymouth on May 22, 1941, to Lloyd L. Shafer and Ellen (Stuckey) Shafer. Eldon graduated from LaPaz High School in the Class of 1959 and joined the U.S. Air Force later that year, where he learned electronics. After serving honorably, Eldon returned home to become part-owner of Banner Electric in Plymouth. Eldon was happy building and remodeling. He retired after 44 years.

Camping, fishing and traveling were favorite pastimes for Eldon. He fondly remembered vacations to the Canadian wilderness, Prince Edward Island, and Northern Wisconsin. Eldon enjoyed the fellowship of his fellow Masons, as a member of Plymouth-Kilwinning Masonic Lodge #149, and was raised a Master Mason in 1984.

Eldon married Dorothy (Dodie) MacInnis on June 13, 1964, at the Plymouth Church of the Brethren, a church they supported, served, and grew friendships and raised their children in. Eldon was quietly compassionate and showed his love by helping others. His family remembers him offering rides to strangers, fixing the bikes of neighborhood kids, and making free electrical repairs for those in need.

Eldon is survived by three sons whom he loved very much. They will miss talking with him, hearing his stories, watching movies with him, and enjoying his sense of humor. His first son, Dr. Mark Shafer and Dr. Elaine Shafer live in Edwardsburg, Mich., and gave him three wonderful grandchildren, Andrew, Benjamin, and Sarah. His second son, Mr. Todd Shafer and Mrs. Pam Shafer live in Plymouth and gave him two wonderful grandchildren, Nathanael and Marilla. His third son, Mr. Jeffrey Shafer and Mrs. Natalie Shafer live in South Bend and gave him a wonderful grandson, Theodore "Teddy." Eldon is also survived by a sister-in-law,

who is like a daughter, Mrs. Beryl (MacInnis) Frenger and Mr. Greg Frenger, Holt, Mich., and their children, Robert “Bobby” and Kathryn. Eldon is also survived by many nieces, nephews, and other family members and friends he loved and cared for.

Eldon was preceded in death by his wife, Dodie, in 2012, after 48 loving years of marriage. Eldon married Carol (Harsh) Shafer on May 4, 2013, and their time together brought him happiness. With Carol, Eldon extended his love to additional children and grandchildren, Angela (Harsh) and Doug Miller and children Daniel and Madison; Mike and Teresa Harsh and daughters Alicen, Adelyn, and Annie; and Matt and Stacey Harsh and sons Evan and Max.

Eldon was also preceded in death by his parents; siblings Charles “Chuck” Shafer, Betty (Shafer) Haag, Edward “Babe” Shafer, and Vernon Shafer.

Eldon cherished his time with family. It’s comforting to know that prior to his passing, Eldon spent an enjoyable Thanksgiving Day surrounded by children, grandchildren, and other family members – talking, eating, and laughing.

Visitation will be from 4-8 p.m. Monday, Nov. 30, 2015, at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, with a Masonic service being conducted at 7:30 p.m. by the Plymouth-Killwinning Lodge #149.

His funeral service will be 11 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 1, 2015, at Plymouth Church of the Brethren 1130 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, with Rev. Herman Kauffman officiating. Visitation will resume one hour prior to the service in the church.

Burial will be at the New Oakhill Cemetery, with military honors provided by members of the American Legion Post 27, Veterans of Foreign Wars-Marshall County Post 1162 and D.A.V.

Memorial contributions can be made to Plymouth Church of the Brethren, or to the American Heart Association, 6500 Technology Center Dr #100, Indianapolis, IN 46077.

Notes of condolence may be sent to the family through the web-site [www.johnson-danielson.com](http://www.johnson-danielson.com).

### **Kathryn L. Hatch-Barker**

Feb. 21, 1919 – Nov. 27, 2015

Kathryn L. HATCH-BARKER, 96, Logansport, passed away Friday, Nov. 27, 2015, at 10:35 p.m. in Lake Village Senior Living, Monticello.

She was born Feb. 21, 1919 in Akron to the late Odie and Nona (VanLue) Keesey. On Jan. 29, 1938, in Peru, she married John Martin Hatch, who preceded her in death on Sept. 23, 1982. On October 18, 1986, in New Waverly, she married Charles Z. Barker Jr., who preceded her in death on Jan. 24, 2004.

Kathryn was a homemaker and a 1935 graduate of Akron High School.

Survivors include two sons, Jan Hatch, Logansport; Mike (Kathy) Hatch, Normal, Ill.; two stepdaughters, Mary Ann (Mark) Schopper, Brownsburg, Peggy

(Dale) Brown, Galveston; two stepsons, Mark (Carla) Barker, Peru, Chuck (Sherry) Barker, Hartford City; three sisters, Patricia Stansbury, Janet White and Carolyn Sue Smith, all of Rochester; four grandchildren, Joey (Troy) Mowery, Julie (Mike) Minthorn, Kris (Blake) Panton, Matt (Tina) Hatch; several stepgrandchildren, several great-grandchildren, several stepgreat-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

A celebration of life will be 1 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 2, 2015, at the Gundrum Funeral Home with Pastor Mike Osborn officiating. Burial will be at Ever-Rest Memorial Park. A visitation will be from 11 a.m. until time of service Wednesday at the Gundrum Funeral Home. You may sign the guestbook and send online condolences at [www.gundrumcares.com](http://www.gundrumcares.com).

### **Beatrice “Bea” Gilliland**

Dec. 10, 1919 – Nov. 27, 2015

Mrs. Beatrice “Bea” GILLILAND, 79, Rochester, was surrounded by her loving family when she passed away at 8:24 p.m. Friday, Nov. 27, 2015, at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

On Dec. 10, 1935, Beatrice was born in Prestonsburg, Ky., the cherished daughter of Bert and Audie Howard Damron. Growing up as the third oldest of the 14 Damron children, Bea shared her childhood with six sisters and seven brothers.

In Rochester, Bea and Richard Lee Gilliland were married on Dec. 18, 1955. Together they shared nearly 60 years of life’s adventures. From their union came two sons, Jerry and Marvin. The family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of two grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Embarking on her professional career, Bea initially worked as a garment presser for Topps Manufacturing. Later she worked in the banking industry for Society Bank and Leiter’s Ford State Bank. At home she and Dick planted and harvested a huge truck patch garden annually, sharing the bountiful harvest with family and special friends. They also canned and froze some of the produce for winter use. She also planted flowers to enhance the landscape of their home. An animal lover, Bea was a great friend to the backyard birds, feeding them and observing their behaviors. She also enjoyed the companionship of her treasured dogs, Marley and Sadie and kitty Butch.

As an adventurer Bea loved to travel. Her favorite destination was Branson, Mo. She and Dick introduced their family to camp outs. Winamac State Park was the favorite locale for overnights on the weekend. There was nothing better than sitting by the campfire under the warm summer starlit nights and reminiscing while roasting hot dogs or making smores!

Grandma Gilliland was proud to oversee four generations. She could be seen in the bleachers at nearly every sporting event: softball, tennis matches, basketball, cheerleading, academic honors nights or choir concerts. She cherished her



granddaughters. The holidays brought on baking weekends. Grandma was at home in her kitchen command post sharing her culinary skills with Melissa and Kristen. It was here that they teamed to create sugar cookies, candies, fudge, mints and buckeyes. Who was their official taste tester? It was Grandpa, in charge of quality control. One of her best dishes in demand was ham and beans with warm cornbread coming straight from the oven. A true lady of great versatility, Grandma truly rocked, she would ride the roller coasters at Holiday World with the girls. She once engaged in the sport roller blading, until she crashed and broke her wrist.

More recently, great-grandma looked forward to the visits and celebrations with her great-grands. With a passion for family, Bea also looked forward to shopping with her sisters and family reunions, reminiscing about the past but making new memories.

Bea is lovingly remembered by her husband, Richard; a son, Marvin Gilliland and wife Julie, Yorktown; two granddaughters, Melissa McNall and husband Justin and their children: Ethan Halas, Olivia Kay and Brayden Lee McNall, Fishers; Kristen DeLoddere and husband Josh and their daughter: Alison Marie DeLoddere, Whitestown; four sisters, Dottie Hudkins and husband John, Rochester, Lottie Smoker and husband Ed, Rochester, Ellen Conley and husband Jim, Rochester, Sue Shuey and husband Marty, Rensselaer; a brother, Carl Damron, Rochester; and numerous nieces and nephews; canine companions Marley and Sadie, the black lab-German Shepherd mixes; and her feline companion, Butch, an orange domestic shorthair.

Preceding Bea in death are her parents; a son, Jerry Lynn Gilliland; two sisters, Ann Lewis and Judy Croussore; six Damron brothers, Burl, Johnnie, Dewey, Clifford, Andy, and Luther.

A celebration of the life of Bea Gilliland will be 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 1, 2015, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Rev. Don Meyer officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 2-5 p.m. on Tuesday at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the Fulton County Animal Education and Adoption Center through the Northern Indiana Community Foundation, 715 Main St. Rochester, IN 46975. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Charles Underwood**

Charles UNDERWOOD, 92, Cicero, and formerly of Fulton County, died Friday at Riverview Hospital, Noblesville.

Survivors include his children, Suzanne Hughes, Marion, Bonnie Higgins, Orange, Calif., June Ellen, Westfield, Richard Underwood, Walnut Creek, Calif., Tom Underwood, Cicero, Lori Strickland, Okatie, S.C.; brother Paul Underwood, Fort Wayne; sisters Nina Hoover, Plymouth, Lois Yoder, Brookston, Janice Irven, Fort Wayne.

A private service will be observed. Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home is handling arrangements.

Tuesday, December 1, 2015

### **Scott Mann**

April 27, 1966 - Nov. 30, 2015

Scott Allen MANN, 49, Rochester, passed away at 3:10 a.m. Monday, Nov. 30, 2015, at Woodlawn Hospital.

On April 27, 1966, Scott Allen was born in Plymouth, a treasured son of Terry and Joyce Wagoner Mann. Growing up he shared his childhood with three sisters and a brother. During his school years he enjoyed playing football and baseball. A proud Rockie, Scott graduated from Plymouth High School in 1984.

A warrior, Scott waged a valiant battle with diabetes since 1997. As an armchair athlete, he loved watching the Colts. Scott especially enjoyed cheering for his son Cole, who was a member of the Trine Thunder football team. With a love for speed, he was an avid NASCAR racing fan. Tony Stewart was his favorite driver. At home he was a member of the pit crew at some of the local tracks at Plymouth and New Paris. To relax Scott enjoyed listening to classic rock and country music.

Scott is lovingly remembered by his fiance, best friend and soulmate, Tomi J. Syler; his mother and stepfather, Joyce and Mike Relos, Plymouth, father and stepmother, Terry and Sandy Mann, South Bend; two children, Chelsie Sharp and husband Tim, Pittsboro and Cole Mann, Angola; granddaughter Lauren Elizabeth Sharp, Pittsboro; four siblings, Lori Lowry and husband Dan, Plymouth, Melinda Penrose and husband Brett, Plymouth, Brian Mann and wife Jennifer, Bremen, Robyn Goehring and husband Dave, Bremen; and numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, uncles and a few crazy aunts.

A celebration of the life of Scott Allen Mann will be 11 a.m. on Thursday, Dec. 3, 2015, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Pastor Teri White officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 4-7 p.m. on Wednesday and one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Interment will be at the Citizens Cemetery, Rochester.

Memorials may be made to the Fulton County Cancer Fund through the Northern Indiana Community Foundation, 715 Main St., Rochester, IN 46975 or Matthew's Market, 103 W. 3rd St., Rochester, IN 46975.

Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Marjory Phillips**

Marjory PHILLIPS, 98, Rochester, died Saturday at her residence.

Her funeral service is 10 a.m. Saturday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation is from 4-7 p.m. Friday and one hour prior to service Saturday at the funeral home.

Wednesday, December 2, 2015

**Robert Stewart**

Robert D. STEWART, 88, North Manchester, died Sunday at The Health Center at Peabody, North Manchester.

His funeral service is 11 a.m. Thursday at McKee Mortuary, North Manchester. Visitation is from 9-11 a.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

Thursday, December 3, 2015

**Marjory M. Phillips**

Sept. 7, 1917 - Nov. 28, 2015

Mrs. Marjory Marie PHILLIPS, 98 years 2 months and 21 days, departed this life at 3:30 a.m., Saturday, Nov. 28, 2015, at her residence.

On Sept. 7, 1917, Marjory was born west of Rochester in the Burton neighborhood. She was a cherished daughter of John and Lillie Alley Braman. Growing up as the second youngest, Marjory shared her childhood with two brothers, Bud and Cal, and two sisters, Fern and Bernice. With great Zebra pride she graduated from Rochester High School in 1935. As one of the oldest living Zebras, Marjory was the last living member of her class. She was a lifetime resident of Marshall and Fulton counties. During World War II, Marjory served as clerk for the Fulton County Selective Service Office from 1940-1947.

Bourbon residents Marjory and Carl Phillips were married in the First Baptist Church of Rochester on Oct. 16, 1955. They enjoyed more than 25 years of life's adventures. Following Carl's passing on Jan. 30, 1981, Marjory returned to live in Rochester.

A devoted member of the First Baptist Church for many years, she also belonged to the M & M group. Marjory was a 69-year member of the Rochester #70 Order of Eastern Star since 1946, serving as Past Matron. She held life memberships with the Friends of the Library and the Fulton County Historical Society.

The revered financial secretary of the Rochester Community Schools for 39 years, Mrs. Phillips served with seven different superintendents from 1947-1985. Volunteerism is her fort. As a dedicated sports enthusiast, greeting all fans with a warm smile, Marjory sold tickets for more than six decades at the Zebras' football and basketball games, retiring at age 94. She also enjoyed volunteering at the Woodlawn Hospital gift shop for many years.

At home Marjory was an avid I.U. and Purdue basketball fan. She enjoyed all college basketball in general. Getting together with her lady friends, dining out, then completing the day with some spirited games of spite and malice or euchre was a great way to relax. Marjory enjoyed many bus trips across America to various destinations and travel in Europe, lodging in the elderhostel to meet her German pen pal Erna.

Paramount in her life were her nieces and nephews who she loved and cherished dearly. Aunt Midge, as she was known, treated them all as her own. She was always there for them as they matured to adulthood. Over the years she took them on many vacations, making many memories. Her favorite destination was Santa Claus Land in southern Indiana.

Left to cherish Marjory's memory are her treasured nieces and nephews, Judy Taylor and husband Russell, Plymouth, Patty Rathbun and husband Cam, Akron, Shirley Gates, North Port, Fla.; Dr. William Braman and wife Georgina, St. Augustine, Fla., Philip Braman and wife Monica, Warsaw, John Braman, Hamden, Conn., Arlen Hammond, Granger; numerous great-nieces and great-nephews; and a sister-in-law, Evelyn Braman, Rochester.

Preceding Marjory in death are her parents; husband; two sisters, Bernice Kolerich and Fern Hammond; two brothers, Emerson "Bud" Braman and Calvin Braman; a niece, Sherri Adamson; and two nephews, Larry Parkhurst and Norman Parkhurst.

A celebration of the life of Marjory Phillips will be 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 5, 2015, at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Dr. Mark Spencer officiating. The Eastern Star Lodge will honor Marjory with a memorial service at 6:45 p.m. Friday. Friends may visit with the family from 4-7 p.m. on Friday and one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. She will be laid to eternal rest next to her beloved husband Carl in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to First Baptist Church, 1000 Main St., Rochester, IN 46975 or the Phillips-Braman Scholarship, through the Northern Indiana Community Foundation, 715 Main St., Rochester, IN 46975. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Karen S. Kindig**

Feb. 7, 1945 - Dec. 1, 2015

Karen S. KINDIG, 70, Mentone, died at 4:15 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 1, 2015, at Miller's Merry Manor, Warsaw.

On Feb. 7, 1945, Karen was born in Fulton County to Gerald and Emalene (Rhoades) Kindig. She had been married to Don Craig; he survives. In 1963 she graduated from Talma High School. She worked as a secretary at Da-Lite Screen Company, Warsaw, and Craig Welding and Manufacturing, Mentone. She enjoyed

sewing, cooking, and gardening. She also loved to watch her grandchildren at their sporting events.

She is survived by companion Don Craig, Mentone; daughters Debbie and husband Troy Butt, Dallas, Texas; Brenda Craig, South Bend; son Jay and wife Shelly Craig, Mentone; grandchildren Katie Petlak, Lexi Butt, and Alec, Emma and Lydia Craig; brother Richard and wife Betty Kindig, Silver Lake.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brothers Fred Kindig and Jerry Kindig; and sister Joyce Kindig.

Her funeral service is 11 a.m. Friday, Dec. 4, 2015, at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone, with Rev. Junior Bose officiating. Visitation is one hour prior to service on Friday and from 4-7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 3, 2015, at the funeral home. Burial is at Sycamore Cemetery, Mentone.

Memorial contributions may be made to the special olympics. Online condolences and memories may be shared at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

Thursday, December 4, 2015

### **Mary Jo Nicoll**

Sept. 18, 1930 - Dec. 1, 2015

Mary Jo NICOLL, 85, of Lucerne, passed away Tuesday, Dec. 1, 2015 at Woodbridge Health Campus in Logansport.

She was born Sept. 18, 1930, in Metea to the late Maurice and Ruby (Russell) Brandt. On Aug. 5, 1951, in Lucerne, she married Donald R. Nicoll who preceded in death on July 23, 2013.

Mary Jo worked for the Cass County Public Library Bookmobile for 28 years. She was a 1948 graduate of Lucerne High School. Mary Jo was a music enthusiast who enjoyed listening, playing and especially singing hymns. She was a member of Crosswind United Methodist Church and a charter member of the Lamplighters Extension Homemakers.

Surviving are two daughters, Beth (Tim) Miller, Rochester, Tammie Nicoll, Fort Wayne; son Steve (Karen) Nicoll, Lucerne; three grandchildren, Amy (Jeremy) Covanes, Houston, Texas, Justin (Maryann) Miller, Rochester, Brett (Jacqueline) Miller, Indianapolis; seven great-grandchildren, Isaac and Eli Nicoll, Kaylee and Charleigh Covanes, Jacob and Madison Miller and Hudson Miller.

She was preceded in death by one grandson, Aaren L. Nicoll, and one sister, Jean Dyer.

A celebration of life will be at 6 p.m. Friday, Dec. 4, 2015, in the Gundrum Funeral Home, Logansport, with Pastor Ken Smith officiating.

Visitation will be from 3 p.m. until the time of service on Friday.

You may sign the guestbook and send online condolences at [www.gundrumcares.com](http://www.gundrumcares.com).

Saturday, December 5, 2015

**Jaren Gentile**

Jaren S. GENTILE, 78, Rochester, died on Thursday, Nov. 26, 2015, at Swedish Medical Center, Englewood, Colo.

She is survived by her sister, Judy Klobucher, Rochester.

She will not have a funeral service. Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, is handling arrangements.

Monday, December 7, 2015

**Marcella Angle**

Marcella ANGLE, 97, died at 11:45 a.m. on Friday, Dec. 4, 2015, at her home.

She is survived by her brother Robert Bailey, Pulaski, and son Steven Angle, New Waverly.

Her funeral service is 11 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 8, 2015, at the New Waverly United Methodist Church. Visitation is 4-7 p.m. today, Dec. 7, 2015 at McClain Funeral Home, Denver.

**Beverly J. Gunter**

Beverly J. GUNTER, 86, Mishawaka, and formerly of Fulton County, passed away at 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 5, 2015, at Sanctuary at St. Paul's, South Bend. Arrangements are pending with Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

Tuesday, December 8, 2015

**Bobby Barnes**

Bobby Ray BARNES, 65, Rochester, died Sunday at Woodlawn Hospital.

Survivors include his children, Glenn Barnes, Knox, Nicole Beck, Rochester; sisters Christine Nealon, Crossville, Tenn., Wilma Durham, Crossville, Tenn.; brothers Leon Barnes, Crossville, Tenn., and Pal Gunner, Crossville, Tenn.

There will not be a funeral service at this time. Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, is handling arrangements.

**Beverly Gunter**

Beverly J. GUNTER, 86, Mishawaka and formerly of Fulton County, died Saturday at the Sanctuary of St. Paul, South Bend.

Survivors include her sons, David Gunter, Logansport, Dwight Gunter, Rochester, Dana Gunter, Bremen; and sister Sharon Powell, Jonesboro.

The funeral service is 2 p.m. Saturday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation is one hour prior to service at the funeral home.

**Sharon Kay Johnson**

March 12, 1947 - Dec. 7, 2015

Sharon Kay JOHNSON, 68, Warsaw, passed away at 7:12 a.m. Monday, Dec. 7, 2015, in her residence.

On March 12, 1947, she was born in Logansport to Donald and Florence (Hizer) Whittenberger. On Dec. 6, 1969, in Claypool, she was united in marriage to Richard Johnson, who survives.

Sharon was raised in the Beaver Dam area until moving to Warsaw, where she lived for the past 25 years. She graduated from Akron High School in 1965 and then graduated from Warner Beauty School, Fort Wayne, also in 1965. She was retired from Big Lots department store, Warsaw.

Sharon enjoyed garage sales, shopping at the Goodwill store, gardening and watching sports. She was a fan of the Indianapolis Colts and Peyton Manning.

She is survived by her husband, Richard Johnson, Warsaw; three children, LaDonna (Jon) Mitchell, Rochester, Sondra (Mike) Slone, Warsaw and Brian (Paige) Johnson, Akron; eight grandchildren, Lindsay, Joshua, Danielle, Kennedy, Kaylee, Austin, Kelton and Kyler.

Sharon was preceded in death by her parents.

A visitation will be from 5-8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 9, 2015, in McHatton-Sadler Funeral Chapel, Warsaw. A private graveside service will be at Oakwood Cemetery, Warsaw, with Chaplain Bob Jarboe of Kosciusko Homecare and Hospice officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to Kosciusko Homecare and Hospice, P.O. Box 1196, Warsaw, IN 46581-1196.

To sign the guestbook or send condolences electronically, go to [mchattonsadlerfuneralchapels.com](http://mchattonsadlerfuneralchapels.com).

### **Jaren Gentile**

Jaren S. GENTILE, 78, Rochester, died Thursday, Nov. 26, 2015, at Swedish Medical Center, Englewood, Colo.

She is survived by two sons, Ronald Gentile, Palo Alto, Calif., and Kevin Gentile, Bennett, Colo.; and sister Judy Klobucher, Rochester.

She will not have a funeral service. Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, is handling arrangements.

Wednesday, December 9, 2015

### **Patricia G. Salyer**

Feb. 2, 1950 – Dec. 7, 2015

Patricia G. (Williams) SALYER, 65, Culver, passed away while surrounded by her loving family on Dec. 7, 2015, at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Mishawaka.

Patricia was born Feb. 2, 1950, in Haleysville, Ala., to Lelton Williams and Doris Conley, and she lived in the Culver area for 45 years, coming from Chicago. She was a retired CNA with Pulaski Memorial Hospital and a former hospice volunteer. She cherished her children and grandchildren, loved flowers and gardening, mystery shows, especially CSI and always put everybody before herself.

Survivors include two children, Sharry Russell, Plymouth, and Billy (Stephanie) Russell, Leiters Ford; four grandchildren, Brandi and T.J. Trusty and Shawn and Cody Russell; one great-grandchild, Adalyn Beran; two sisters, Doris Earl and Wanda Fleury; and companion Ron Sischo.

A funeral service will be Friday, Dec. 11, 2015, at 2 p.m. Eastern time in Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel. Burial will follow at the I.O.O.F. Cemetery, Monterey. Friends may visit Friday at the funeral home from 11-2 p.m. EST.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be given to Ronald McDonald House in Indianapolis. To leave online condolences visit [rannellsfuneralhome.com](http://rannellsfuneralhome.com).





Thursday, December 10, 2015

**David Clauson**

David CLAUSON, 78, Rochester, died Wednesday at Woodlawn Hospital. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Barbara Haines**

Barbara E. HAINES, 69, Roann, died Monday at her residence.

She is survived by her husband, Larry Haines, Roann; two daughters, three sons, and nine grandchildren.

There will be a private funeral service. Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron, is handling arrangements.

**Martha Jefferies**

Martha M. JEFFERIES, 93, Rochester, died Wednesday, at Hickory Creek, Rochester. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Richard Thomas Loper**

Jan. 8, 1939 - Dec. 4, 2015

Richard Thomas "Dick" LOPER, 76, Cromwell, passed away on Friday, Dec. 4, 2015, at his home.

He was born on Jan. 8, 1939, in Gary, to Robert Carlton and Mildred (King) Loper.

He grew up in Chesterton and attended Chesterton High School. He was married on July 3, 1981, to Joanne Border, who preceded him in death on Aug. 13, 2011. He was a former sawmill operator in Howe and he was an auto mechanic most of his life. He formerly worked at Rochester Ford in Rochester. He moved to the Cromwell area 32 years ago from Rochester.

He was a member of the American Legion Post 253 in North Webster, V.F.W. in Syracuse and Fraternal Order of the Eagles in Syracuse. He was a former member of the American Legion Post 223 in Syracuse and was raised in the Southern Baptist Church.

He is survived by five daughters, Debbie Zell, Valparaiso, Samantha (John) Shock, North Webster, Shari (Darrell) Carr, Warsaw, Melissa (Michael) Steffen, Warsaw, and Zoa Lentz, Cromwell; son Tom Maney, Valparaiso; five grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandson.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two stepsons, Patrick and Michael Covington; and grandson John Stewart.

There is no public funeral service planned. Cremation will take place at Cremation Services of Kosciusko County. Owen Family Funeral Home, Indiana 13 and County Road 500 North, North Webster, is handling arrangements.

Preferred memorials may be given to the Richard Loper Funeral Fund, c/o Owen Family Funeral Home, P.O. Box 72, North Webster, IN 46555. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home. To send condolences to the family in Mr. Loper's memory please visit [www.owenfamilyfuneralhome.com](http://www.owenfamilyfuneralhome.com).

Friday, December 11, 2015

### **David Clauson**

David M. CLAUSON, 78, Rochester, died at 12:07 a.m. Wednesday at Woodlawn Hospital.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy; daughters Ann Bauman and Linda Burton; son Ron Clauson, all of Rochester; and sister Marilyn St. Clair, Fulton.

His funeral service is at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation is 3-8 p.m. Monday and one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

### **Martha Jefferies**

Martha M. JEFFERIES, 93, Rochester, died at 12:08 a.m. Wednesday at Hickory Creek, Rochester.

She is survived by a daughter, Janelle Green, Rochester.

A graveside service is at 10 a.m. Monday at Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Good Family Funeral Home is handling arrangements.

### **David Johnson**

David G. JOHNSON, 60, Rochester died Thursday, at Hospice House, Elkhart. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Saturday, December 12, 2015

### **David M. Clauson**

Sept. 22, 1937 - Dec. 9, 2015

Mr. David M. CLAUSON, 78, Rochester, was surrounded by his loving family when he passed away at 12:07 a.m., Wednesday, Dec. 9, 2015, at Woodlawn Hospital.

On Sept. 22, 1937, David Martin Clauson was born in St. Joseph County. He was the treasured son of Carl and Dorothy Cromley Clauson. Growing up he shared his childhood with a sister, Marilyn. As a young man, about the age of 13, Dave began to lead a youth Sunday School class for a number of years at his church, Emmanuel

Evangelical United Brethern Church, Culver. As a young man he worked on home construction around Lake Maxinkuckee and for the Bigleys at the orchard. With great Cavalier pride Dave graduated from Culver High School in 1955.

On Feb. 24, 1957, in the Fulton Evangelical United Brethern Church, Dave married the love of his life, Dorothy J. St. Clair, who later became his best friend. Together they shared more than 58 years of life's adventures. From their union came three wonderful children Ron, Ann and Linda. The family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of six grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Making their home west of Rochester, David and Dorothy commenced to farm. They milked a fine herd of Holsteins until April 3, 1974, when the tornado struck. David lost his parents, Dorothy and Kenneth Stockberger, and their entire dairy operation. Friends and neighbors lent a hand and assisted the Clausons with rebuilding their home and outbuildings. Eugene Scott led the forces on the residential work and Dave assisted him. The focus shifted and they continued to crop farm hay, corn and beans. Later that year, he also joined the Vermeer Corporation as a sales representative for hay equipment. After 37 years of dedicated service he retired in 2011.

A contributor to our community and Fulton County, Dave was a member of the Burton-Richland Center United Methodist Church. He gave more than 15 gallons of blood to the American Red Cross through the years. As a young man in the mid-60s he served our area as a certified American Red Cross swim instructor, teaching many youngsters how to swim. Other memberships and roles include the Indiana Forage Association, Honorary Chapter of F.F.A. Degree 2003-2004, Fulton County Councilman 1979-1982, Public Defender Board 1997, County Commissioner 1989-1990. In 2008 he was bestowed by grandson Kevin Burton the VIP Award from Rochester High School F.F.A.

His career in agriculture began when Dave and Dorothy settled on their homestead in 1962. Six short years later David was honored as the Outstanding Young Farmer in 1968. In addition to crops and livestock, Dave planted and grew a variety of lilies and chrysanthemums to enhance the landscape of their home. Leading by example and always exhibiting a strong work ethic, Dave shared his love for agriculture with his family. The legacy he left speaks volumes as all of the four generations have or are heavily involved in 4-H and the farming industry in various capacities around our area.

Dorothy, David and their amazing farming family were recently recognized with agriculture's pinnacle award, the 2016 Indiana's Farm Family of the Year, given by Beck's Hybrids and Indiana AgriNews.

David was a man with intrinsic drive for community service and a strong desire to give back. He was a lifetime supporter of Fulton County 4-H, serving on the board of the Fulton County 4-H Association for a number of years. To honor him the

amphitheater was named for him. David was a humanitarian with compassion for his fellow man. Reaching beyond Fulton County, and driven by the help his family received following the tornado, David traveled to the site of the Johnstown floods in Pennsylvania. There he spent time to cleanup and help rebuild the community. When Hurricane Katrina hit Louisiana, David and Dorothy drove south to help those hit by the devastation. They spent time rebuilding, cleaning up and offering spiritual support to those families struggling to restore normalcy.

Paramount in David's life was the Lord, his family, friends and farming. He and Dorothy were always there for their children. With the arrival of the grandchildren and now the great-grandchildren, Grandpa David adored each and everyone. He looked forward to their visits and was an active Grandpa with his presence. He and Dorothy shared the honor of being their top supporters, cheering them on at athletic contests, choir concerts, academic competition and fine tuning the grooming of their show prospects for the fair. A modest man of few words, he reflected the pride of his family with his warm smile and twinkling eyes.

Left to cherish David's memory are his wife, Dorothy; two daughters, Ann Bauman and husband Don, Linda Burton and husband Dennis and a son, Ron Clauson and wife Cindy, all of Rochester; six grandchildren, Kyle Clauson and wife Jessica, Letitia Clauson, Brian Bauman and wife Bethaney, Jeff Bauman and wife Jenny, Scott Burton and wife Jenna, Kevin Burton and wife Kimberly; 11 great-grandchildren, Lyla Clauson, Tobias Clauson, Sydney Bauman, Carter Bauman, Ali Bauman, Aubrey Bauman, Aimee Bauman, McKinley Burton, Harrison Burton, Ellison Burton, Liam Burton; a sister, Marilyn St. Clair and husband Don, Fulton.

Preceding Dave in death are his parents and stepfather Kenneth Stockberger.

A celebration of the life of David M. Clauson will be 10 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 15, 2015, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester with Pastor Tom Richard officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 3-8 p.m. Monday, Dec. 14, 2015, and one hour prior to the service in the funeral home. He will be laid to eternal rest at Rochester's IOOF Cemetery.

Memorials in lieu of flowers may be made in David's memory to the Fulton County Fair Association for upgrading the grounds. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Martha Jefferies**

Sept. 26, 1922 – Dec. 9, 2015

Mrs. Martha M. JEFFERIES, 93, Rochester, passed away at 12:08 a.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 9, 2015, at Hickory Creek, Rochester.

On Sept. 26, 1922, Martha Maxine was born in Fulton County to Orville and Lillian Ruth Partridge Kalmbacher. Growing up she shared her childhood with a

sister, Mary and a brother, Raymond. Proudly she graduated with the Class of 1940 from Talma High School.

Martha and Deverl "Doc" Jefferies were married on Oct. 12, 1940, in Logansport. They shared 67 years of life's adventures. Doc passed away on June 11, 2007.

As a homemaker, Martha cherished times with her family. FOX News was her source for following current events. The Indianapolis Colts and the Fighting Irish were her favorite sports teams. To relax she enjoyed sitting down with a good autobiography.

Martha is lovingly remembered by her daughter, Janelle Green and husband Brian; two granddogs, Bella the black Cocker Spaniel and Kassie the party-colored Cocker Spaniel, all of Rochester.

Preceding Martha in death are her parents; husband; son Kent Jefferies, in 2001; sister Mary Dinwoodie; brother Raymond Kalmbacher; and a granddog, Dylan Green.

A graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, Dec. 14, 2015, at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery, with Rev. Junior Bose officiating.

Memorials may be made to Fulton County Animal Education and Adoption Center through the Northern Indiana Community Foundation, 715 Main St. Rochester, IN 46975. Arrangements have been entrusted to Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **David Johnson**

David Glen JOHNSON, 60, Rochester, died Thursday at Center for Hospice, Elkhart Hospice House.

David is survived by his wife, Brenda; his mother, Darlene Johnson; daughter Brandi Kneifel, Kouts; son Glenn Johnson, Dallas, Texas; two sisters, Denise Johnson, South Bend and Darla Stoll, Rochester; three brothers, Doug Johnson, Dan Johnson, Dean Johnson, all of Rochester.

His funeral service is 10 a.m. Wednesday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation is from 4-8 p.m. Tuesday and one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

Monday, December 14, 2015

### **David G. Johnson**

Nov. 21, 1955 - Dec. 10, 2015

Mr. David Glen JOHNSON, 60, Rochester, was surrounded by his loving family when he passed away at the Hospice House of Elkhart at 3:38 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 10, 2015.

On Nov. 21, 1955, David Glen was born in South Bend, a treasured son of Wilburn “Duz” and Darlene Engel Johnson. Growing up as the third oldest, he shared his childhood with two sisters and three brothers. David was a proud member of the Rochester High School class of 1974.

David and Brenda Stallard were married on May 29, 1976, in the Church of God, Rochester. Together they shared over 39 years of life’s adventures. From their union came a daughter, Brandi, and a son, Glenn. Over the years, the family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of five grandchildren.

In the early years, David and Brenda enjoyed country living on a hobby farm while raising their family. They cared for some chickens, cows, pigs, horses and a goat. David loved horseback riding. As an outdoorsman, he enjoyed fishing and boating on Lake Wawasee, canoeing on the Tippecanoe and camping. He shared many light-hearted moments with family and close friends by telling jokes, pulling pranks or surprising the designated special one with a practical joke.

David was a member of the Leroy Shelton American Legion Post #36 and the Fraternal Order of the Eagles.

Left to cherish David’s memory are his wife, Brenda; his mother, Darlene Johnson; a daughter, Brandi J. Johnson Kneifel and husband Justin, Kouts; a son, Glenn A. Johnson and wife Bambi, Dallas, Texas; five grandchildren, Kira L. Kneifel, Alaina M. Kneifel, Kaleb A. Johnson, Elizabeth K. Johnson, Addison R. Johnson; two sisters, Denise Johnson, South Bend, and Darla Johnson and companion Steve Mahoney; three brothers, Doug Johnson, Dan Johnson and wife Terri, and Dean Johnson, all of Rochester; and several nieces and nephews.

David was preceded in death by his father and his canine companion, Peaches the German shepherd.

A celebration of the life of Mr. David Glen Johnson will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 16, 2015, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Chaplain Jason See officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 4-8 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 15 and an hour prior to the service at the funeral home. He will be laid to rest in Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Velma Horn**

Velma HORN, 96, Warsaw and formerly of Mentone, died Saturday at Miller’s Merry Manor, Warsaw.

She is survived by daughter Vicki Mikel, Mentone; sons Freddie Horn, Cartersville, Ga, and Mickey Horn, Macy; sisters Donna Ailer, South Bend, and Phyllis Swanson, Atwood.

Her funeral service is 3 p.m. Wednesday at King Memorial Home, Mentone. Visitation is 1-3 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.





Tuesday, December 15, 2015

**Velma F. Horn**

Sept. 11, 1919 - Dec. 12, 2015

Velma HORN, 96, Warsaw and formerly of Mentone, passed away at 5:20 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 12, 2015, at Miller's Merry Manor, Warsaw. She went home to be with the Lord, joining her husband of 73 years.

Velma was born on Sept. 11, 1919, in Fulton County to Russell and Blanche (Wynn) Ailer. On June 28, 1941, in Hamlet, she married Harold E. Horn. He preceded her in death on July 10, 2014.

She retired from the United States Department of Agriculture as a food inspector. She also had worked for 22 years for Manwarings as well as being a homemaker.

She was a 1937 graduate of Talma High School. She attended the Riverview Community Church, Tippecanoe. She enjoyed crosswords and cryptograms. She and her husband enjoyed traveling and wintering in Sebring, Fla.

She is survived by daughter Vicki and husband Tim Mikel, Mentone; two sons Freddie W. and wife Debbie Horn, Cartersville, Ga, and Mickey and wife Jancie Horn, Macy; two sisters, Donna Ailer, South Bend, and Phyllis and husband Robert Swanson, Atwood; five grandchildren, Anthony Horn, Andrew Horn, Troy Horn, Sarah Christena, and Emily White; seven great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; two stepgrandchildren; and seven stepgreat-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband; an infant daughter, Connie; a grandson, Todd Horn; and sister Thelma Peterson.

Her funeral service is 3 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 16, 2015, at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone, with Rev. Rodney Ruberg officiating. Visitation is 1-3 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home. Burial is at Mentone Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Riverview Community Church and Southern Care Hospice. Online condolence and memories may be expressed at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

**Elma Swihart**

Elma L. SWIHART, 88, Auburn and formerly of Silver Lake, died Monday at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

Wednesday, December 16, 2015

**James Adams**

James R. ADAMS, 82, Rochester, died Tuesday at Mason Health Care Center, Warsaw.

He is survived by his wife, Kathy; daughters Peggy Stover, Pierceton, Mary Strahan, Marion; sons Larry Adams, Coleman, Texas, Kenny Adams, Warsaw; James Rans Jr., Grove City, Ohio; sisters Betty Busch, Dewart Lake, Mary Weese, Rochester; and brother Bill Adams, Rochester.

His funeral service is 1:30 p.m. Friday at Riverview Community Church, Tippecanoe. Visitation is 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Friday at the church. Good Family Funeral Home is handling arrangements.

### **Joseph M. Barrett**

May 9, 1927 – Dec. 14, 2015

Joseph M. BARRETT, 88, Timbercrest Senior Living Community, North Manchester, and formerly of Warsaw, passed away on Dec. 14, 2015, at the Kosciusko Community Hospital.

He was born on May 9, 1927, in Harrodsburg, to Hollice & Jeanette (Goen) Barrett. On June 20, 1948, he married Betty Morehead, who preceded him in 2008. In 2009, he married Elsie Hoffman, who survives.

He retired as a sales manager for Farm Bureau Co-op serving Northern Indiana. He was a 1945 graduate of Boswell High School. He was a U.S. Army WWII-era veteran, receiving victory and occupation medals. He was a longtime member of the North Webster Church of the Brethren.

He is survived by his wife, Elsie Barrett, North Manchester; two daughters, Holly (John) Urschaltz, Warsaw; Amy (Joe) Coffey, Goleta, Ca.; four sons, Allen (Margaret) Barrett, Leiters Ford, Kerry (Denise) Barrett, North Webster, Rob (Bianca) Hoffman, Custer, Wis., and Chris (Kathy) Hoffman, Prescott, Wis.; 24 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren, three great-great-grandchildren; one sister, Stella Gillen, Lafayette; one brother, Tom Barrett, Lafayette.

He was preceded by his first wife, Betty Barrett; six sisters, Catherine Jackson, Mary Waukechon, Hazel Ogden, Dorothy Newton, Elsie McMahon, and Louise Baumgardt; and three brothers, Jack, Frank and Bill Barrett; one grandchild and one greatgreat-grandchild.

Visitation will be Wednesday, Dec. 16, 2015, from 2-4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. at the Eastlund Funeral Home, Syracuse. A funeral service will be Thursday, Dec. 17 at 11 a.m. at the North Webster Church of the Brethren, with pastor Bob Wyman officiating. Burial will follow at the North Webster Cemetery.

### **Elma L. Swihart**

June 8, 1927 - Dec. 14, 2015

Elma L. SWIHART, 88, Auburn and formerly of Silver Lake, died 6:01 p.m., Monday, Dec. 14, 2015, at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

She was born on June 8, 1927, in Fulton County, to Cary H. and Lucile (King) Funk. She was married to Leroy F. Swihart. He preceded her in death on Dec. 7, 2007.

Elma was a homemaker and helped look after the elderly. She was a longtime attendee of the Silver Creek Church of God.

Survivors include daughters Patty Bumgardner, North Manchester, Linda and husband Tony Ramsey, Warsaw; sons David L. and wife Cassie Swihart, Silver Lake, Randy J. Swihart and wife Dr. Colleen Quinn, Columbia City, Michael R. Swihart and significant other Ronda Clevenger, Silver Lake; Eric H. and wife Vickie Swihart, Auburn; 20 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; sisters Isabelle Kamp, Akron; Martha and husband William Schultz, Marble Falls, Texas, Rose and husband Randy Habegger, Marble Falls, Texas, Sue and husband Rafael Quintanilla, Wabash, Judith Ann and husband Greg Armstrong, Converse; brothers Robert and wife Jane Funk, VanBuren, Hugh and wife Rita Funk, Rochester.

She was preceded in death by brothers Harvey and Arthur Funk; and an infant brother and sister.

His funeral service will be 2 p.m. Friday, Dec. 18, 2015, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St. Akron, with Pastor Thomas Craig officiating. Burial will be at Athens Cemetery. Visitation is 4-7 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 17, 2015, at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

Memorial Contributions may be made to Silver Creek Church of God. You may share a memory or send online condolences at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

Thursday, December 17, 2015

### **Darl Harvey**

Darl W. HARVEY, 85, Royal Center, died Tuesday at his residence. Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Royal Center.

### **James R. Adams**

Sept. 6, 1933 - Dec. 15, 2015

Mr. James R. ADAMS, 82, Rochester, was surrounded by his loving family when he passed away at 3:30 a.m., Tuesday, Dec. 15, 2015, at Mason Health Care, Warsaw.

On Sept. 6, 1933, James was born to Roy and Esther Jones Adams in Atwood. Growing up he shared his childhood with three sisters and a brother. With great Flyer pride he graduated from Akron High School in 1952.

In Packerton, James and Kathryn R. Willard were married on March 14, 1981. They enjoyed over 34 years of life's adventures. Together they raised three daughters and five sons. Over the years the family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of 19 grandchildren and 27 great-grandchildren.

A devoted member of the Riverview Community Church, James served as Sunday usher. He also enjoyed the church concerts and helping out with summer church camp.

An avid arm-chair athlete, James loved cheering on the Indianapolis Colts and the Notre Dame Fighting Irish. Around the house he enjoyed manicuring the lawn and gardening. He was known especially for his tomatoes and cucumbers. James could fix anything with his trusty duct tape and WD-40. To relax he and Kathryn traveled on the senior bus trips from coast to coast and many destinations in between. They also enjoyed a memorable cruise to Alaska.

James is lovingly remembered by his wife, Kathryn; two daughters, Peggy Stover and Kerry, Pierceton, Mary Strahan and husband Dan, Marion; daughter-in-law Nancy Rans, Akron; three sons, Larry Joe Adams and wife Shirley, Coleman, Texas; Kenny Adams and wife Robin, Warsaw; James R. Rans Jr. and wife Melanie, Grove City, Ohio; 19 grandchildren, Angela Carr, Kimberly Dunnuck and husband Steve, Felicia Daeger and husband Scott, Nikki Cabell and husband Scott, Justin Stover and wife Shannon, Jennifer Calhoun and husband Alex, Corey Helms, Stacey Helms, Bailey White, Jonathan White, Travis Rans, Brian Adams and wife Miranda, Jennie Adams, David Adams and wife Jessica, Patricia Madsen and husband Jason, Amelia "Amy" Adams, Lauren "Pete" Adams, Jacob Rans, Jackson Rans; 27 great-grandchildren; two sisters, Betty Busch and husband Bob, Dewart Lake, Mary Weese, Rochester; a brother, Bill Adams and wife Ardith, Rochester; and several nieces and nephews.

Preceding James in death are his parents; two sons, Daniel Rans and Henry Adams; daughter Diane Adams; and a sister, Bea Gordon.

A celebration of the life of Mr. James R. Adams will be at 1:30 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 18, 2015, in the Riverview Community Church, 3780 Indiana 110, Tippecanoe, with Rev. Rod Ruberg officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 10 a.m.–1:30 p.m. Friday at the church. Interment will be in the Silver Creek Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Riverview Community Church. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com). Arrangements have been entrusted to Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

### **John Casey**

June 11, 1943 - Dec. 15, 2015

John Norman CASEY, 72, Akron, passed away at 8:55 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 15, 2015, at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

He was born on June 11, 1943, in Pine Village, the son of John Irvin and Grace Fern (Broadly) Casey. On Oct. 19, 1963, in Rochester, he married Carol Ann Hecht, and she survives.

Mr. Casey had lived in Athens for many years. He worked as a self-employed truck driver for many years and had owned and operated Consolidated Enterprises Construction Company. He had served with the Indiana National Guard. In his spare time, he enjoyed playing pool, mushroom hunting, listening to country music, watching wrestling and NASCAR.

Survivors include his wife, Carol Ann Casey, Akron; children Jeanette and husband Roger Cook, Rochester, Scott Casey, Fleetwood, Pa., Cristina Casey, Akron; grandchild Johnathan Miller, Rochester; four stepgrandchildren; 11 stepgreat-grandchildren; one stepgreatgreat-grandchild; brother-in-law Jerry Hutchens, Carmel; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his granddaughter, Trinity Medly; brothers Emmett Casey, Chester Casey, Donald Casey; sisters Alberta Hutchens, Lidamay Rolf and Margie Newton.

A funeral service will be conducted at 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 19, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Friday and one hour prior to service at the funeral home. Burial will be in the Athens Cemetery.

Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

Friday, December 18, 2015

### **Darl Harvey**

March 5, 1930 - Dec. 15, 2015

Darl W. HARVEY, 85, Royal Center, passed away at 5:45 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 15, 2015, at his home, surrounded by his loving family.

Born on March 5, 1930, in Carroll County, he was the son of the late Ray and Jessie (Deford) Harvey. On Sept 9, 1951, he married Lois M. Polen of Kewanna. She survives.

He was a 1949 Grass Creek High School graduate. Darl was a lifelong dairy farmer, retiring after 45 years. He was the last dairy farmer in operation in Harrison Township.

He was active in 4-H for the last 32 years showing dairy cows with his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He was a 67-year member of Farm Bureau. Darl was a member of the Rochester Swingin' Dudes Round and Square Dance Club and traveled to many of the state conventions.

Darl, being a dairy farmer, loved to mow hay. He also enjoyed all sports, especially Purdue. Spring was his favorite time of year and he enjoyed mushroom

hunting with his family on the family farm in Carroll County. Darl loved to joke and had a good sense of humor. He enjoyed spending time with his family and friends and will be missed by all who knew him.

Survivors include his wife, Lois Harvey, Royal Center; daughter, Debra Young (Stan), Logansport; sons Michael Harvey (Renda), Lucerne, and Brian Harvey (Melissa), Monticello; grandchildren Carrie Cripe (Mike), Royal Center, Greta Jackson (Josh), Kewanna, Shae Kmicikewycz (Roman), Avon; Lauren Layer (Ryan), Monticello; Megan Lowe, Lafayette, Jordan Morrow (Jordan), Lafayette, Kyle Harvey and Derek Berkshire, both of West Lafayette; great-grandchildren Gage, Hailey and Addie Cripe, Isaiah, Kennedy, Braylon and Kahlia Jackson, Bohdan and Roman Kmicikewycz, Lois, Ronnie and Garth Layer, Aiden Lowe and Ava Bell, Jagger, Jada and Julian Morrow.

He was preceded in death by brothers Dale, Bruce, Kenneth and Estel Harvey. He was also preceded in death by an infant twin brother and sister.

His service will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday, Dec. 21, 2015, at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Royal Center, with Pastor Dirk Raderstorf officiating.

Visitation is from 3-6 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 20, 2015, at the funeral home and also one hour prior to the service on Monday. Burial will be at Davis Cemetery, Burnettsville.

Memorial contributions may be made to 4-H associations, Gideon's International and/or Lucerne Christian Church.

Sign the online guestbook or leave condolences for the Harvey family at [www.ransfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com).

Saturday, December 19, 2015

### **Rebecca Goble**

Rebecca E. GOBLE, 84, Burket, died Friday at Peabody Retirement Community, North Manchester.

She is survived by daughters Mary Chafin, Macon, Ga., and Shirley Tobias, North Webster; sons James Goble, Burket, and Kenneth Goble, Bourbon; sister Pat, Fort Wayne; and brother Bill Osborne, Macon, Ga.

A funeral service is 11 a.m. Monday at King Memorial Home, Mentone. Visitation is from 10-11 a.m. Monday at the funeral home.

### **Martha Jane Ives**

Jan. 14, 1924 - Dec. 17, 2015

Martha Jane IVES, 91, Culver, passed away on Dec. 17, 2015, at Miller's Merry Manor, Plymouth.

Martha was born on Jan. 14, 1924, in Culver, to Hazel and Clarence “Red” Calhoun. She was one of four sisters. She actually started school when she was 5, because she just couldn’t wait to go to school! She graduated from Culver High School in 1941. On June 10, 1943, she married Raymond J. “Doc” Ives. She and Doc spent more than 40 years together until his death in 1983. They spent their entire lives as Culver residents. They raised two girls, Jane Anne Leland and Mary Beth Zink. After the girls were big enough, Martha went back to work in the finance department of the State Exchange Bank in Culver. After retirement, she and Doc traveled extensively and spent part of each winter in Panama City, Fla.

Throughout her life, Martha served her church and worked at the church thrift shop. She taught Sunday school and served as a Girl Scout leader. She was a member of the Eastern Star for many years and was active in several bridge clubs over the years.

Most importantly, she has been a wonderful mother, grandmother and great-grandmother to her family. She has three grandchildren, Adam (Sarah) Zink, Amanda (Tim) Leland Burt, and Erik (Erica) Zink; and three great-grandchildren, Brayden and Camden Zink, and Cecilia Burt, all of whom adore her. Her greatest joy in life has always been her much beloved family.

A time of visitation will be at the Odom Funeral Home, Culver, on Monday, Dec. 21, 2015, from 4-7 p.m. with the funeral service to follow at 7 p.m. Interment will be private.

Memorials may be given in Martha’s name to the Marshall County Center for Hospice, 112 S. Center St., Plymouth, IN 46563. Condolences may be sent via the obituary page at [www.odomfuneralhome.com](http://www.odomfuneralhome.com). The Odom Funeral Home, Culver, is assisting with arrangements.

### **Robert L. King**

April 6, 1921 - Dec. 17, 2015

Robert L. KING, 94, Rochester, passed away at 8:20 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 17, 2015, at Life Care Center, Rochester.

He was born on April 6, 1921, in Rochester, the son of Howard and Carrie (Conrad) King. He served with the U.S. Army during World War II, receiving the Bronze Star and Purple Heart.

Mr. King had been a farmer for many years and a member of the Rochester Odd Fellows Lodge and First Presbyterian Church. In his spare time he enjoyed hunting, mushroom hunting and fishing.

Survivors include his nephew, William and wife Serita King, Bourbon; nieces, Janet King, Rochester, and Carol and husband Danny Oliver, Hamilton, Ala., and several great-nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and brothers, William King and Donald King.

A funeral service will be conducted at 1 p.m. Monday, Dec. 21, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with Rev. Bill Kleyman officiating. Friends may call one hour prior to service Monday at the funeral home. Burial will be in the Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester, where military graveside rites will be conducted by the Fulton County Veterans' Honor Guard.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Odd Fellows Lodge. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Randy McKenzie**

Randy L. McKENZIE, 51, Rochester, died Friday at his residence. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Monday, December 21, 2015

### **Martha Jane Ives**

Jan. 14, 1924 - Dec. 17, 2015

Martha Jane IVES, 91, Culver, passed away on Dec. 17, 2015 at Miller's Merry Manor, Plymouth.

Martha was born on Jan. 14, 1924, in Culver, to Hazel and Clarence "Red" Calhoun. She was one of four sisters. She actually started school when she was 5, because she just couldn't wait to go to school! She graduated from Culver High School in 1941. On June 10, 1943, she married Raymond J. "Doc" Ives. She and Doc spent over 40 years together until his death in 1983. They spent their entire lives as Culver residents. They raised two girls, Jane Anne Leland and Mary Beth Zink. After the girls were big enough, Martha went back to work in the finance department of the State Exchange Bank in Culver. After retirement, she and Doc traveled extensively and spent part of each winter in Panama City, Fla.

Throughout her life, Martha served her church and worked at the church thrift shop. She taught Sunday school and served as a Girl Scout leader. She was a member of the Eastern Star for many years and was active in several bridge clubs over the years.

Most importantly, she has been a wonderful mother, grandmother and great-grandmother to her family. Martha is survived by two daughters, Jane Anne (Roger) Leland, Plymouth, and Mary Beth (Ron) Zink, Rochester, as well as her three grandchildren, Adam (Sarah) Zink, Amanda (Tim) Leland Burt, and Erik (Erica) Zink; and three great-grandchildren, Brayden and Camden Zink, and Cecilia Burt, all of whom adore her. Her greatest joy in life has always been her much beloved family.



She was preceded in death by her parents, husband and three sisters, Helen Hood, Mildren Logan and Edna Taylor.

A time of visitation will be at the Odom Funeral Home, Culver, on Monday, Dec. 21, 2015, from 4-7 p.m. with service to follow at 7 p.m. Interment will be private.

Memorials may be given in Martha's name to the Marshall County Center for Hospice, 112 S. Center St., Suite C, Plymouth, IN 46563. Condolences may be sent via the obituary page at [www.odomfuneralhome.com](http://www.odomfuneralhome.com). The Odom Funeral Home, Culver, is assisting with arrangements.

### **Kathleen M. Haney**

Nov. 29, 1944 - Dec. 19, 2015

Kathleen M. HANEY, 71, Akron, and formerly of Barnum, passed away at 2:25 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 19, 2015, at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

She was born on Nov. 29, 1944, in Minneapolis, Minn., to George and Irene (Engebrit) Kuehl. She had worked in the Probation Department Office in the Duluth Courthouse. She was a 1962 graduate of Clinton High School. She was a member of the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses of Rochester. She enjoyed animals and her Jehovah's Witness functions as well as her children and grandchildren.

Survivors include her daughters Tammi and husband Ted Parker, Silver Lake, Robin and husband Vince Huse, Colorado Springs, Colo.; sons Scott Vitale, Elkhart, Ronald Haney, Mishawaka; grandchildren David Haney, Bethany Haney, Brianna Haney and Dominick Haney; great-grandchildren David Haney Jr. and Kacey Haney; brothers Dan and wife Sherry Kuehl, Waco, Texas, Tim Kuehl, Montgomery, Texas.

She was preceded in death by her parents, son Worth Haney and sister Norene Yates.

Her funeral service is 6 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 22, 2015, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Elder Timothy Detwiler officiating.

Visitation is two hours prior to the service from 4-6 p.m. at the funeral home.

Memorials in lieu of flowers may be made to the Jehovah's Witnesses at [www.JW.org](http://www.JW.org) or to the Fulton County Animal Adoption and Education Center. To share a memory or send an online condolence, visit [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Randy L. McKenzie**

Randy L. McKENZIE, 51, Rochester, died at 6:10 a.m. Friday at this residence.

He is survived by his parents Robert and Linda McKenzie, Cabot, Ark., sister Renae McKenzie, North Little Rock, Ark., brother Timothy McKenzie, Cabot, Ark., and companion Tina Doubet.

His funeral service is 11 a.m. Tuesday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Visitation is 9 a.m. until service.

Tuesday, December 22, 2015

**Dorothy E. Moore**

Aug. 19, 1927 - Dec. 21, 2015

Dorothy E. MOORE, 88, Rochester, passed away at 8:20 a.m. Monday, Dec. 21, 2015, at Life Care Center, Rochester.

She was born on Aug. 19, 1927, in Mishawaka, the daughter of William E. and Nellie J. (Warren) Swathwood. On April 15, 1946, in South Bend, she married Frank E. Moore. He preceded her in death on Feb. 6, 1997.

Mrs. Moore had been a homemaker and a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles. She enjoyed playing bingo, sewing, painting, reading and especially spending time with her grandchildren.

Survivors include her six daughters, Rebecca Foreman, South Bend, Juanita Welch, South Bend, Christine and husband Richard Lawson, Osceola, Bonita and husband Phil Riggle, Albany, Ky. Diana and husband Jose Perez, South Bend, Marcia and husband Ed Wagner, Elkhart; four sons, Daniel Moore, Osceola, Wayne Moore, Elkhart, Steven and wife Katie Moore, Granger, Kenneth and wife Janice Moore, Princeton; numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren and two great-great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, two grandsons, one great-grandson and seven brothers.

Her funeral service is 10 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 24, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with Rev. Aaron McCombs officiating. Friends may call from 4-7 p.m. Wednesday and one hour prior to service Thursday at the funeral home. Burial will be at the Fulton Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Fraternal Order of Eagles or to Shop with a Cop. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

**Thelma Lowe**

Thelma LOWE, 91, Warsaw, died Monday at Mason Health Care, Warsaw. Arrangements are pending at King Memorial Home, Mentone.

Wednesday, December 23, 2015

**Thelma Lowe**

April 1, 1924 – Dec. 21, 2015

Thelma “Faye” LOWE, 91, Warsaw, and formerly of rural Warsaw, passed away at 8 a.m. Monday, Dec. 21, 2015, at Mason Health Care, Warsaw.

She was born on April 1, 1924, in Van Lear, Ky., to Clayton and Gracie (Boyde) Bowling. On Nov. 18, 1972, in Akron, she married Alvin R. Lowe. He preceded her in death on March 18, 2013.

She retired from Kralis Brothers Foods, Mentone. Then, she retired again from Creighton Brothers, Warsaw.

She was a member of the First Freewill Baptist Church, Silver Lake. She enjoyed taking care of her family and tending to her garden.

She is survived by three daughters, Donna Johnson, Seneca, Mo., Betty Louise Owens, Argos, and Cindy Lee Hively, Warsaw; four sons, Larry T. Booth, Fort Wayne, Harold V. Booth, Wabash, Bennie Hively Jr., Warsaw, and Mickey A. Hively, Warsaw; 13 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; two sisters, Ethel Mae Clifton, Wabash, and Loraine Music, Grand Rapids, Mich.; two brothers, Carl Bowling, Van Lear, Ky., and Billie Jean Bowling, Wabash.; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Patricia Sue Hoppus; five brothers; and three sisters.

Her funeral service is 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 26, 2015, at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone, with Rev. Loren Bradley officiating. Burial is at Harrison Center Cemetery, Etna Green.

Visitation is noon-2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 26, 2015, at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to Alzheimer's Association, P.O. Box 96011 Washington, D.C. 20090-6011. You may share a memory or send online condolences at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Dorothy E. Moore**

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Mrs. Moore had been a homemaker and a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles. She enjoyed playing bingo, sewing, painting, reading and especially spending time with her grandchildren.

Survivors include her six daughters, Rebecca Foreman, South Bend, Juanita Welch, South Bend, Christine and husband Richard Lawson, Osceola, Bonita and husband Phil Riggle, Albany, Ky. Diana and husband Jose Perez, South Bend, Maria and husband Ed Wagner, Elkhart; four sons, Daniel Moore, Osceola, Wayne Moore, Elkhart, Steven and wife Katie Moore, Granger, Kenneth and wife Janice Moore,

Princeton; numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren and two great-great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, two grandsons, one great-grandson and seven brothers.

Her funeral service is 10 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 24, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with Rev. Aaron McCombs officiating. Friends may call from 4-7 p.m. Wednesday and one hour prior to service Thursday at the funeral home. Burial will be at the Fulton Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Fraternal Order of Eagles or to Shop with a Cop. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

**Janice Norman**

Janice M. NORMAN, 45, Akron, died Monday at her residence. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Jennifer Spencer**

Jennifer A. SPENCER, 32, Rochester, died Monday at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Thursday, December 24, 2015

**Jennifer Spencer**

Jennifer A. SPENCER, 32, Rochester, died Monday at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

She is survived by her husband, Stacey; two daughters, Regina Spencer and Cheyenne Spencer; son Damien Spencer, all of Rochester; father David Bednarski, Peru; and brother Jonathon Bednarski, Macy.

Her funeral service is 1-4 p.m. Tuesday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Janice Norman**

Sept. 27, 1970 - Dec. 21, 2015

Janice M. NORMAN, 45, Akron, passed away at 9:50 a.m. Monday, Dec. 21, 2015, at her residence.

She was born on Sept. 27, 1970, in Kokomo, the daughter of Larry and Judy (Davies) Hecht. Janice worked in manufacturing for many years. She enjoyed listening to music, gardening, cooking, and tending to her two canine companions, Socks and Sammy. Survivors include her son DeWayne Hecht, Macy; sisters Denise and husband Brian Pierce, Largo, Fla., Angela and husband Rob Nulf, Cape Coral, Fla.; brother Kenny and wife Pat Hecht, Macy; several nieces and nephews; several cousins; and aunts and uncles. She was preceded in death by her parents, son Bryant Scott, sister Velma Jean "Jeannie" Meier, nephew Jeremy Hecht, and paternal and maternal grandparents.

Visitation is from 2-6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 27, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Burial will be at a later date at Plainview Cemetery, Macy. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

**Esther M. Holloway**

July 31, 1941 - Dec. 22, 2015

Esther M. HOLLOWAY, 74, Mentone, and North Port, Fla., passed away at 6:46 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 22, 2015, at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne, after being in failing health since Oct. 14, 2015.

She was born on July 31, 1941, in Evansville, to Charles and Martha (Angel) Leonard. On Jan. 1, 1984, in Burket, she married Robert R. Holloway. He survives. She worked for 25 years at RR Donnelley & Sons, Warsaw, where she was a shipping clerk. She was a 1960 graduate of Elberfeld High School. She was a member of the Red Hats Club and Boat Club of Harbor Isle, Fla., where she wintered for 16 years. She was a NASCAR and classic car enthusiast. She enjoyed shopping, collecting antiques, going to car shows, and traveling, especially on their yearly cruise. She is survived by her husband Robert Holloway, Mentone; daughters Sherri and husband Rick Nelson, Warsaw, Vickie Bradley, Mentone; son Steve Holloway, Warsaw; five grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; brother David Sultz, Newburgh.

She was preceded in death by her parents and son Jeff Canary.

Her funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Monday, Dec. 28, 2015, at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone, with Rev. Amber Karkosky-Litten officiating. Visitation is from 2-5 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 27, 2015, at the funeral home.

Burial is at Mentone Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Cruisin' Hoosier Car Club. To share a memory or send an online condolence, visit [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

**Randy Angle**

Randy ANGLE, 58, Lancaster, died Monday at his parent's residence.

He is survived by his wife, Cheryl (Withem) Angle; children Joseph and Melissa Angle; parents Lewis and Jean Angle, Lancaster; sisters Beverly Conley and Barbar Huse, both of Rochester; and brother Timothy Angle, Rochester.

His funeral service is 1 p.m. Monday at Cedar Hill Baptist Church, Lancaster. Visitation is two hours prior to the service at the church. Sheridan Funeral Home, Lancaster, is handling arrangements.

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**Randy K. Cumberland Sr.**

April 27, 1942 - Dec. 23, 2015

Randy K. CUMBERLAND Sr., 73, Warsaw, passed away at 3:35 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 23, 2015, at Grace Village Healthcare Center, Winona Lake.

On April 27, 1942, he was born in Rochester to Norman and Ruby (Keesey) Cumberland. He was united in marriage to Mary Lauth in Rochester on Oct. 17, 1968, who survives.

He served our country in the U.S. Air Force for 14 years. Randy was owner of Cumberland Hardware Store, Warsaw, and also Cumberland Milk By-Products Company, Akron. He also worked for Chore Time Brock Company, Milford, and Royal Crown Limited, Milford.

Randy was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Warsaw. He was a hard worker who loved spending time with his family and providing for them. He also loved working on the farm and caring for animals. He loved fishing and shooting guns in his spare time.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Clare Cumberland, Warsaw; six children, Jeffrey D. Cumberland, Elkhart, Randy K. Cumberland Jr., Dallas, Texas, Brian (and spouse Kalynn) Cumberland, Warsaw, Kerrie I. Thacker and her fiancé Jim Rackley, Leesburg, Jennie A. (and spouse Blaine) Conley, Claypool, and Josh D. (and spouse Katie) Cumberland, North Manchester. He also is survived by fourteen grandchildren, Chad, Madisen, Danielle, Gavin, Nolan, Allison (and spouse Brandon), Alex, Brooklyn, Breelyn, Kaitlyn, Isaiah, Jayla, Olivia and Sophie; three great-grandchildren, Mia, Addysin and Bensyn; and his sister, Kathy (and spouse Bill) Hartzler, Rochester. Randy was preceded in death by his parents.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 31, 2015, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Warsaw, with Father Phil DeVolder officiating. Burial will be in Oakwood Cemetery, Warsaw, with military honors provided by American Legion Post No. 49 and VFW Post No. 1126, Warsaw.

Visitation hours will be from 4-8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 30, 2015, at McHatton-Sadler Funeral Chapel, Warsaw. A Rosary will be recited at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday evening.

The family requests memorial contributions be made to Animal Welfare League of Kosciusko County, 3489 E. 100 South, Pierceton, Indiana 46562 or to KABS, 1804 E. Winona Ave., Warsaw, Indiana 46580.

To sign the guestbook or send condolences electronically, go to [mchattonsadlerfuneralchapels.com](http://mchattonsadlerfuneralchapels.com)

Monday, December 28, 2015

**Ronald Keele**

Ronald C. KEELE, 75, Rochester, died Sunday at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Donald Vandermark**

Donald J. VANDERMARK, 70, Akron, died Saturday at his residence. Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Fuenral Home, Akron.

Tuesday, December 29, 2015

**Ronald C. Keele**

Aug. 18, 1940 - Dec. 27, 2015

Ronald C. KEELE, 75, Rochester, passed away at 3:45 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 27, 2015, at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

He was born on Aug. 18, 1940, in Illinois, the son of Charles Albert and Lorine Aldine (Schmidt) Keele. On Aug. 21, 1971, in Rochester, he married Bonnie J. Vigar. She preceded him in death on Nov. 15, 2004.

Mr. Keele had worked for many years at Sealed Power Corp in Rochester and retired from the Dana Corp. He had been active in the Fulton County 4-H, especially showing rabbits and attending rabbit shows. He enjoyed watching sports, especially following Indiana University basketball.

Survivors include his sons, Thomas L. Keele, Rochester, William J. Keele, Rochester; sisters, Linda Swick, Plymouth, Sandy and husband Tom Alber, Woodburn; brothers, Jim and wife Carol Keele, Warsaw, John and wife Catherine Keele, Concord, N.C., Richard and wife Diann Keele, New Haven, Mike and wife Linda Keele, Fremont; mother-in-law Regina Vigar, Rochester; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

His funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 31, 2015, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation is from 5-7 p.m. Wednesday and one hour prior to service Thursday at the funeral home. Burial will be in the Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

**Donald J. Vandermark**

Jan.30, 1945 - Dec. 26, 2015

Donald James "Jim" VANDERMARK, 70, Akron, died at 7:34 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 26, 2015, at his residence after a battle with cancer.



He was born on Jan. 30, 1945, in Pensacola, Fla., to Orville and Helen (Grossnickle) Vandermark. On Jan. 20, 1990, in Akron, he married Pamela S. Day at the Akron Church of God.

He owned Vandermark Heating and Plumbing of North Manchester and was head of the Park Department in North Manchester for a few years.

He graduated in 1963 from Manchester High School. He then attended Manchester College and later graduated from Ball State University. He played basketball, baseball, and football in high school and football at Manchester College. Jim served his country in the U.S. Navy Seabees, serving from July 30, 1969–Jan. 18, 1972, with two tours in Vietnam. He was a member of the North Manchester American Legion. He played softball in adult leagues for many years as the third baseman.

Jim loved to watch his sons, stepsons, and grandchildren at sporting events. He liked to watch Indiana University, Notre Dame, Cubs, and the Colts play, as well as his beloved Yankees. He enjoyed sitting at the round table at the coffee shop discussing many topics.

Survivors include his wife, Pam Vandermark, Akron; sons Jared and wife Kimberly Vandermark, Shreveport, La., David and wife Donna Vandermark, Blue Springs, Mo., David and wife Angela Madeford, Akron, Scott and wife Tiffany Cooksey, Akron, Kevin and wife Carrie Cooksey, Silver Lake; daughter Leann and husband John Carr, Hardeeville, S.C.; grandchildren Vince Vandermark and Lorelai Vandermark, Devin, Thane, Bryce Madeford, Ian and Ella Cooksey, and Alyx, Blake, and Lillian Cooksey; sisters Nancy and husband Neil Tate, North Manchester, Judy and husband Jerry Judjahn, Glendale, Ariz.; and several nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and great-nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents Orville and Helen Vandermark.

His funeral service is 10:30 a.m., Thursday, Dec. 31, 2015, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Pastor JP Freeman and Rev. Dr. Tara Bidwell Hornbacker officiating. Military rites will be performed after the funeral service at the funeral home. Visitation is from 4-8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 30, 2015 at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Akron Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Wounded Warrior Fund or the Akron Church of God. You may share memories or send online condolences at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Leonora Gibbons**

Leonora GIBBONS, 89, Elkhart, died Dec. 20 2015, at her residence.

Survivors include daughter Gale May Hoefle, Elkhart, and brother Culver Wennerstrom, Mishawaka.

Her visitation and private funeral service were Dec. 23, 2015, at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

### **David Washington**

David E. WASHINGTON, 50, Rochester, died Monday at his residence.

Survivors include his children, Sarah Caldwell, Orlando, Fla., David Washington Jr., Calumet City, Ill., Holly Washington, Kokomo; and mother Peggy Honeycutt, Calumet City, Ill.

A graveside service is 2 p.m. Wednesday at Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester. Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, is handling arrangements.

Wednesday, December 30, 2015

### **Dorothy M. Brennan**

July 12, 1912 – Dec. 28, 2015

Dorothy M. BRENNAN, 103, Rochester, passed away at 10:25 p.m. Monday, Dec. 28, 2015, at Life Care Center, Rochester.

She was born on July 12, 1912, in Chicago, Ill., the daughter of Frank M. and Laura May (Viers) Dukes. She married William J. Brennan in Chicago. He preceded her in death in 1976.

Mrs. Brennan had worked for many years in Chicago at Stella's Dress Shop and Montgomery Ward. During World War II, she worked in manufacturing to help with the war effort. She had been an active member of the American Legion Auxiliary for many years; and, while residing in Birmingham, Ala., she was a dedicated volunteer at the Veterans' Hospital. In her spare time she was a prolific reader, often reading large novels in a day or two. She also participated in the local library reading program.

Survivors include her son Edward Shull, Canton, Ga.; 10 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; 27 great-great grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her son Donald Shull, five sisters, two brothers and great-grandson Daniel Shull.

A graveside service will be 2:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 31, 2015, at Citizens Cemetery, Rochester, with Rev. Rod Ruberg officiating. Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, is handling arrangements. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Norma Jean Albright**

Oct. 23, 1930 - Dec. 28, 2015

Norma Jean ALBRIGHT, 85, formerly of Peru, passed away at 9:37 p.m., Monday, Dec. 28, 2015, at Monticello Health Care, Monticello.

She was born in Cass County on Oct. 23, 1930, the daughter of George and Mildred Marshall Long. Norma was a 1949 graduate of Logansport High School and a member of the Zion Chapel. She worked at Hooks Drug Store, Peru, for more than 30 years, retiring in 1992. Norma was a member of the VFW Ladies Auxiliary and the Dukes Memorial Auxiliary.

She is survived by sons James “Jim” Albright and his wife Paula, Chicago, Ill., Jerry Albright and wife Nan, Monticello and Jay Albright and his wife Dawn, Rochester; seven grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and a sister, Nancy Deitz, Berlin, Wis. Norma was preceded in death by her parents; two sisters, Frances Bostic and Dorothy Holcomb; and five brothers, Joe Long, George Long, Keith Long, Paul Long and Jerry Long.

A private memorial service will be at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main St., Peru, with Pastor George Dinkel officiating.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to the Northern Indiana Community Foundation.

Thursday, December 31, 2015

### **Ondah R. Pickens**

Jan. 17, 1926 - Dec. 29, 2015

Ondah R. PICKENS, 89, Lucerne, passed away Tuesday, Dec. 29, 2015, in her residence.

Born Jan. 17, 1926, in Kokomo, the daughter of the late William M. and Olive G. (Bundy) Manning.

On May 23 in 1943, in the Metea Baptist Church, she married Ralph Pickens, who survives.

Ondah retired from Hamilton Standard in 1986, formerly R.B.M., after 41 years of service as a personnel specialist. She was a member of the Metea Baptist Church, where she was a former church moderator. She was a member of the Royal Center Order of Eastern Star and former O.E.S. District Deputy of District 18 Order of Eastern Star. Ondah would always say, “go and make it a good day.”

Surviving along with her husband Ralph are two daughters, Sheila (Jack) Anthony, Louisville, Ky., and Raenae (Carl) Overmyer, Rochester; six grandchildren, Matthew Anthony and fianc Sydney O’Bryan, Louisville, Ky., David (Angie) Overmyer, Rochester, Ben Overmyer, Rochester, Sarah Anderson and John, Westbrook, Maine, Grace (David) Miller, Fishers, Hannah (Rich) Goforth, Pittsburgh, Pa.; six great-grandchildren, Dawson Overmyer, Mia Overmyer, Arya Goforth, Evie Goforth, Charlotte Goforth, Naomi Miller; and several nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

She was preceded in death by one brother, Edward Glenn Manning.

A celebration of life will be 10:30 a.m. Monday, Jan. 4, 2016, in the Gundrum Funeral Home, Logansport, with Pastors Mark Foreman and Tyler Murphy officiating. Burial will be in the Metea Cemetery in Metea. Visitation is from 1-4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 3, 2016, also at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the Metea Baptist Church. You may sign the guestbook and send online condolences at [www.gundrumcares.com](http://www.gundrumcares.com).

### **Margaret B. Wolf**

June 20, 1922 - Dec. 30, 2015

Margaret B. WOLF, 93, Logansport, passed away Wednesday, Dec. 30, 2015, at Millers Merry Manor, Logansport.

Born on June 20, 1922, in Logansport, the daughter of the late Elmer and Julia F. (Harper) Deitrich. On April 19, 1942, she married Billie D. Miller, who died in the South Pacific on Jan. 13, 1945, during World War II. On May 8, 1948, in Logansport, she married Robert E. "Robin" Wolf. He preceded her in death on Oct. 28, 1999.

Margaret retired from First Federal Savings and Loan in 1987 after 22 years of service. She was also formerly employed by the Golden Rule Department Store for several years.

She was a member of the St. James Lutheran Church, The Altar Guild, Mary Martha Guild and the Home and Hobby Extension Homemakers Club. Margaret was a 1939 graduate of Washington Township High School. She enjoyed working in her yard, cooking, baking, working with flowers and watching gospel music videos.

Surviving are two daughters, Georgia A. (Bill) Early, Twelve Mile, and Connie (Rick) Laymon, Panama City, Fla.; six grandchildren, Alicia Collins, Logansport, Heather Bell, Kokomo, Ashley (Clint) Mizell, Panama City, Fla., Greg (Abby) Early, Twelve Mile, Jeff Laymon, Tulsa, Okla., Ricky (Ericha) Laymon, Panama City, Fla.; several great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by one sister, Louise Hylton.

A celebration of life will be at noon Saturday, Jan. 2, 2016, at Gundrum Funeral Home, Logansport, with Pastor K.C. Dehning officiating. Visitation is from 10:30 a.m. until the time of service on Saturday. Burial will be in the Mount Hope Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the St. James Lutheran Church. You may sign the guestbook and send online condolences at [www.gundrumcares.com](http://www.gundrumcares.com).



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