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Wednesday, January 2, 2008

Donna Jean Bowyer

Donna Jean BOWYER, 71, New Carlisle, formerly of Rochester, passed away at 1 p.m. Monday at Miller’s Merry Manor, New Carlisle.

Donna was born on Dec. 22, 1936, in Rochester to Art and Helen Louise (Toby) Thompson. Donna Jean enjoyed playing bingo and bowling. She loved her horses and cats.

She was previously employed with American Rubber in LaPorte, Dee’s Truck Stop in Rolling Prairie and had retired from Easy Heat in New Carlisle.

In 1956, in Rochester, as Donna Jean Thompson, she married Junior Bowyer, who survives. Also surviving are two daughters, Patty (Bill) Kingery of Fulton, and Lorraine (Larry) Norman of Akron; one brother, Dave Thompson of Rochester; and by several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her sister, Joan Hudkins.

Friends may call from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Eastern time today in the Kaniewski Funeral Home, 201 S. Filbert St., New Carlisle. Friends may also call from 4 p.m. until 8 p.m. Thursday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Funeral Services will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, with Dr. Mark Spencer officiating. Friends also may call one hour prior to the service. Burial will take place in the Odd Fellows
Cemetery, Rochester. Online condolences may be sent to the family at zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

**George Edington**

George EDINGTON, 79, of 721 Madison St., Rochester, died at 1:50 a.m. today at Memorial Hospital, South Bend. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Glenn E. Hendrick Sr.**

Glenn E. HEDRICK Sr., 75, of 2241 E. 450 North, Rochester, died Dec. 22 at home.

Survivors include two daughters, Mary Senters, Baxley, Ga., and Lisa Wiles, Fort Pierce, Fla., and a son, Glenn Hedrick Jr., Fort Pierce, Fla.

A private family service will be conducted. Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, is handling arrangements.

**Barbara L. Miller**

Barbara L. MILLER, 80, of 501 Pennsylvania Ave., Plymouth, died at 5:45 p.m. Monday at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Arrangements are pending at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

**Charles William ‘Bill’ Donathen**


Services for Charles W. “Bill” DONATHEN, 81, Kewanna, will be at Kewanna Church of Christ, 116 S. Logan St., on Thursday at 11 a.m.

Bill passed away in the company of loved ones Sunday at Pulaski Health Care Center, Winamac.

Born Feb. 1, 1926, in Mishawaka, he was the son of the late Charles and Elizabeth (Emmans) Donathen. Bill was married to Eileen D. Hollis on Nov. 9, 1947. She preceded him in death on March 30, 2006.
Bill was a United States Navy veteran serving in World War II. He was employed with Bendix in South Bend for more than 30 years. He also farmed throughout his lifetime.

Bill was a member and elder of Kewanna Church of Christ. He was a 1944 Kewanna High School graduate, where he played basketball and was a member of many organizations including Order of Eastern Star, Chapter No. 70, Rochester, and was former Worthy Patron of the Kewanna Chapter, UAW South Bend Local and Grange organization. He was a past Master of the Kewanna Masonic Lodge, received his 32nd degree in Scottish Rite, and continued to be a faithful member of the Rochester F&AM No. 79 after they merged. Bill was an active Republican Precinct Committeeman and former member of Union Township/Kewanna School Board. He was a former EMT and was one of the first drivers for the Kewanna EMS.

Bill and Eileen spent 17 winters in Florida. They met new friends and had great times. They shared these years with their lifelong friends, Bill and Marilyn Moon. Bill and Eileen bowled as couples. Bill was an avid sports fan and enjoyed watching the Colts, baseball and golf. He won the “Best Beard” contest at the Kewanna Bicentennial.

Vacations were important to Bill and his family. He was an avid fisherman and enjoyed camping with friends. Bill and Eileen enjoyed many travels with Dream Tours.

Family was the most important thing to Bill as a loving husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather. He loved family gatherings and was devoted to proudly attending the various activities of his children and grandchildren.

Bill is survived by one daughter, Susan and her husband, Kenneth, Hamman, Winamac; two sons, Larry Donathen and his wife, Joyce, Franklin, and Jon Donathen and his wife, Diana, Grass Creek; five grandchildren, Amy and Douglas Smith, Amanda Donathen, Alexander and Matthew Donathen; two great-grandchildren, Andriana Smith and Aidan Smith; one brother Robert Engle and his wife, Barbara; sister-in-law, Violet Troutman; and several nieces and
nephews. Preceding him in death are two sisters, JoAnn and Sally; his mother, father and stepfather.

Pastors Scott Meneely and William Moon will officiate at the services. Burial will be in Citizens IOOF Cemetery, Kewanna, where full military rites will be conducted.

Calling will be from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. today at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna, with a Masonic service at 7:30 p.m. Friends may also call one hour before the service at the church on Thursday.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Kewanna Church of Christ, P.O. Box 337, Kewanna, IN 46939 and/or the National Kidney Foundation, 911 E. 86th St., Suite 100, Indianapolis, IN 46240. Online condolences may be made to the Donathen family at www.harrison-metzger.com.

Thursday, January 3, 2008

Donna Jean Bowyer

Donna Jean BOWYER, 71, New Carlisle, formerly of Rochester, passed away at 1 p.m. Monday at Miller’s Merry Manor, New Carlisle.

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In 1956, in Rochester, as Donna Jean Thompson, she married Junior Bowyer, who survives. Also surviving are two sisters, Patty (Bill) Kingery of Fulton, and Lorraine (Larry) Norman of Akron; one brother, Dave Thompson of Rochester; and by several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her sister, Joan Hudkins.

Visitation at Kaniewski Funeral Home, 201 S. Fulbert St., New Carlisle, was from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Eastern time
Wednesday. Friends may also call from 4 p.m. until 8 p.m. today at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, with Dr. Mark Spencer officiating. Friends also may call one hour prior to the service. Burial will take place in the Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester. Online condolences may be sent to the family at zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

**Iva Irene Brower**


Iva Irene BROWER, 89, of 1502 Mitchell Drive, Rochester, passed away at 9:50 a.m. Wednesday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

She was born on Oct. 8, 1918, in Marion, the daughter of Clarence and Lulu (Bates) Rook. She married Everett Brower on May 24, 1941, in Marion. He preceded her in death in 1980.

Mrs. Brower worked for the Kroger Milk Plant, The Radio and Shoe Factory in Marion, Akron Cafe and Arter Drugstore in Akron. She attended the First Christian Church, Marion, and First Baptist Church, Rochester. She enjoyed crocheting, reading, fishing, and was an avid gardener and loved big band music and dancing.

Survivors include her son, Daniel A. and wife Wanda Brower, Rochester; six grandchildren, Roger and wife Pam Brower, Akron, Steve Brower, Akron, Dan and wife Sarah Brower, Fort Wayne, Christine and husband Ken Kneifel, Rochester, Greg Mow, Rochester, Gary and wife Becky Mow, Rochester; 18 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren; sisters, Glendora Titus, Marion, LaVonne Mauller, Marion, Pat Huegal, South Bend; sister-in-law, Mary Rook, Marion; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; brothers, Clarence Rook Jr., Wallace Rook; and sisters, Betty Rix and Neidra Nelson.

Her funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with Dr Mark Spencer officiating. Burial will be in the Akron Cemetery, Akron. Friends may call from 9 a.m. until the service Saturday at the funeral home. Memorial
contributions may be made to the First Baptist Church. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

George W. Edington  

Beloved father, brother, uncle and friend, George W. EDINGTON, 79, of 721 Madison St., Rochester, passed away at 1:50 a.m. Wednesday at Memorial Hospital, South Bend.

He was born on Sept. 17, 1928, in Pulaski County, the son of William and Mable (Irvin) Edington. George was a U.S. Navy and U.S. Army veteran of the Korean War. After the war, George returned to Rochester where he spent his entire life.

After retirement from Burns Construction in 1989, George enjoyed helping out at Webb’s Pharmacy. He spent a great deal of time uptown because it made him happy to be around others and making friends. George always looked forward to his trips to New Mexico and California to spend time with family. He attended Solid Rock Church, was a member of the Eagles Lodge and was an avid card player throughout his life. He will be missed by many.

Survivors include his daughter, Donna and husband Donald Gonzales, Bakersfield, Calif.: grandsons, Donald Gonzales Jr., Bakersfield Calif., David Gonzales, Bakersfield, Calif., and granddaughter, Danyelle and husband Jeremy Lopez, Ashburn, Va.; great-granddaughter Jalaya Lopez Ashburn, Va. And great-grandson, James Nolan Gonzales, Arroyo Grande, Calif.; brothers, Ralph and wife Jean Edington, Rochester, Carl Edington, Rochester; sisters Louise Grube, Rochester, Evelyn Burns, Rochester, Margaret Carpenter, Carey, Ohio, Ruby Armstrong, Lafayette; his special niece, Becky (Edington) Blystone, Rochester, and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and brother, Lester “Spider” Edington.

His funeral service will be at 3 p.m. Friday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with the Rev. Mark Kline officiating. Friends may call from 1 p.m. until the funeral. Burial will be in the Kewanna IOOF Cemetery, Kewanna, where military graveside
services will be conducted by the Rochester American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars posts. Memorial contributions may be made to the George Edington Memorial Fund. Online condolences may be sent to Zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

**Barbara Lou Miller**

Barbara Lou MILLER, 80, of 501 Pennsylvania Ave., Apt. G-1, Plymouth, died Monday at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Survivors include her husband, Robert C. Miller; a son, John Miller, Plymouth; two sisters Marilyn Darr, North Manchester, and Mildred Hadley of Florida; and a brother, Philip Meier, Woodstock, Ill.

Her funeral service is at 6 p.m. Friday at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos, with visitation from 3 p.m. until the service.

**Jack E. Pickens**


Jack E. PICKENS, 80, of 219 E. 14th St., Rochester, passed away at 2 a.m. Wednesday at his residence.

He was born on Dec. 27, 1927, in Fulton County, the son of Lloyd C. and Blanche I. (Davis) Pickens. On Sept. 7, 1952, in Rochester, he married Frances E. Taylor and she survives.

He was a U.S Marine Corps veteran who served during the Korean War.

Mr. Pickens was a construction supervisor for McMahan-O’Connor Construction and retired after 37 years of service. He attended First Baptist Church, was a member of the Masonic Lodge, Scottish Rite and American Legion.

Survivors include his wife, Frances E. Pickens, Rochester; sons, Frank C. and Dessie Pickens, Floyds Knobs, William T. and wife Michelle Pickens, Rochester; a daughter, Andrea and husband Michael Ludwig, Rochester; six grandchildren and one great-grandchild. He was preceded in death by his parents and a daughter, Tracy Pickens.
Graveside services and committal will be at a later date at Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester. Arrangements are by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

Friday, January 4, 2008

Jane S. New
Jane S. NEW, 72, of 103 S. Buffalo St., Burket, died at 1:30 a.m. today at home. Arrangements are pending at King Memorial Home, Mentone.

Saturday, January 5, 2008

Jane S. Waddle New
Jane S. Waddle NEW, 72, of 103 S. Buffalo St., Burket, died Friday at home.
Survivors include five daughters, Alma Neiding, Bourbon, Laura Norton, Claypool (Palestine Lake), Robin Foreman, Warsaw, Ginger White, Claypool (Palestine Lake), Callie Deeter, Pierceton; four sons, Rusty Waddle, Tippecanoe, Scott Waddle, Mentone, Phillip Waddle, Akron, and Jason Waddle, Warsaw; and two brothers, Jim Groves, Fort Wayne, and Pat Groves, Auburn.
Her funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday at King Memorial Home, Mentone. Visitation is from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

Monday, January 7, 2008

Kay Patterson Clay
June 8, 1936 – Dec. 31, 2007
Kay Francis CLAY 71, Indianapolis, died Monday, Dec. 31.
She was born in Rochester to Cecil and Fances M. Patterson and is survived by her husband, Dale Clay, and two children, Tracy
Clay Robinson, and Jnani Clay; four grandchildren; one brother, Neil Patterson; two sisters, Gail Patterson and LuAnn Bickel.

She graduated from Rochester High School, John Herron Art School and obtained master’s degrees from Indiana and Butler universities.

She was an art teacher at Indianapolis public schools for 45 years. Her works were published in two art books and received two Lilly endowment grants.

A memorial service will be held later. Flanner & Buchanan Funeral Center in Broad Ripple is in charge of arrangements, which also can be obtained at kaymemorial@gmail.com.

**Lois Kathren Bowers**

Lois Kathren BOWERS, 81, of 952 Park St., Rochester, died at 12:01 a.m. today at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

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

**Florence Gable**

Florence GABLE, 94, of 1235 Rochester Blvd., Rochester, died Sunday at Hickory Creek of Rochester.

Survivors include a daughter, Maureen Haab, Milford; two sons, Carl Gable, New York City, N.Y., and Brian Gable, Rochester.

Her funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday and one hour prior to the service Wednesday.

**Vernon M. ‘Bud’ Waymire**

Vernon M. “Bud” WAYMIRE, 82, of 222 W. Walnut St., Akron, died at 11:35 p.m. Sunday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.
Lois K. Bowers
Nov. 9, 1926-Jan. 7, 2008

Lois K. BOWERS, 81, of 952 Park St., Rochester, passed away at 12:01 a.m. Monday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

She was born on Nov. 9, 1926, in Wabash, the daughter of Charles A. and Nellie Florence (McCoy) Gordon. On June 9, 1946, she married George W. Bowers Jr. He preceded her in death on Jan. 21, 1975.

Mrs. Bowers worked as a secretary in Washington, D.C., during World War II, was a floor supervisor at Hart, Schaffner & Marx, a telephone operator for Rochester Telephone Company and retired from Rochester Metal Products as office manager. She also had worked at the former Newsstand and was a member of the First Christian Church and the Homefront Club. She was an avid euchre player and gardener.

Mrs. Bowers is survived by her children, daughters, Linda Bowers, Laura Bowers and Cathy Bowers, all of Rochester, and sons, Ronald P. Bowers, Rochester, and Michael Bowers, North Webster; a sister, Ruth and husband Andrew Morton, Richmond, Va.; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents and brothers, Robert, Harry and Charles F. Gordon.

Her funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with the Rev. Woody Slade officiating. Friends may call from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday and one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Burial will be in the Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

Florence 'Flo' Gable
April 9, 1913-Jan. 6, 2008

Florence "Flo" GABLE, 94, of 1235 Rochester Blvd., Rochester, died at 9:30 a.m. Sunday at Hickory Creek of Rochester.
Born in Belfast, Northern Ireland, she was the daughter of John Lawrence and Agnes Young Lord. She came to the United States in 1947, from Ireland and has lived in Rochester since 1988, when she moved from Twelve Mile.

On May 2, 1946, in Belfast, she married Everett Carl Gable. He preceded her in death on March 17, 1983.

Florence was a homemaker and had been a special education teacher's aide in the Logansport school system for 10 years. Later, she assisted Wilma Shaffer by volunteering with remedial reading at Columbia Elementary School of Rochester.

She was the oldest member of Metea Baptist Church. She was a former member of the Lioness Club, the Golden Agers and the Notables, all of Rochester. Flo was a 30-year volunteer for the Rochester Community Resource Center and also volunteered at the Rochester and Logansport hospitals. She enjoyed singing and knitting.

Survivors include a daughter, Maureen Haab, Milford; two sons, Carl Gable, New York City, N.Y., and Brian Gable and wife Susan, Rochester; five grandchildren, Jason Haab and wife Amber, Kayla Connett and husband Robert, Jenna Haab, Lucy Gable and Kevin Gable; four great-grandchildren, Wyatt Haab, Libby Haab, Lane Connett and Ava Connett. She was also preceded in death by her parents; an infant daughter, Sheila Gable; a sister, Sadie McGreevy; and two brothers, Lawrence Lord and James Lord.

Her funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Pastor Bill Cordes and Pastor Carl Malmgren officiating. Burial will be at Mt. Hope Cemetery, Logansport. Friends may visit with the family from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. today and one hour prior to the service Wednesday. Memorials may be made to Fulton County Transpor or Retired Senior Volunteer Program.

Vernon Marks 'Bud' Waymire
Dec. 25, 1925-Jan. 6, 2008

Vernon Marks "Bud" WAYMIRE, 82, of 222 W. Walnut St., Akron, died at 11:35 p.m. Sunday at Life Care Center, Rochester.
Born in Miami County, he was the son of Vern and Velma Marks Waymire. He graduated from Linlawn High School in 1944. A veteran, he served in the Army as a sergeant during World War II.

On Aug. 7, 1948, in Bad Nuheim, Germany, he married Martha E. Karl, and she survives in Akron.

He was a carpenter for Miller and Sons, Silver Lake. He served as Henry Township Trustee, an Akron Town Board member and was an Akron EMT. He belonged to the Moose and the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

A standout bowler, he enjoyed hunting and cheering for the Yankees. He also coached Little League.

Survivors include his wife, Martha Waymire; three sons, Kurt and wife Brenda Waymire, Max and wife Patsy Waymire, all of Akron, and Kerry and wife Deb Waymire, Glendale, Ariz.; two brothers, Tom and wife Betti Waymire, Ohio, and Don and wife Jeri Waymire, Virginia; four sisters, Virginia Buuck, Fort Wayne, Janet Hammond, Wabash, Judy and husband Richard Losher, Richvalley, and Karen and husband Scott Cooper, Wabash; two sisters-in-law, Jean Waymire, Urbana, and Gayle Waymire, Texas; and four grandchildren, Zachariah, Lauren, Taylor and Nathan Waymire. He was preceded in death by a son, Michael Waymire; a grandson, Elijah Waymire; and two brothers, Hugh Waymire and Bob Waymire.

His funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Thursday at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with the Rev. Karen Ottjes officiating. Burial will be at Gilead Cemetery, Gilead, where military graveside rites will be conducted by the LeRoy Shelton American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars. Visitation will be from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to Akron United Methodist Church. Online condolences may be sent through www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.
Wednesday, January 9, 2008

George W. Geller
George W. GELLER, 67, of 184 Fulton Ave., Rochester, died today at home. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Freda L. Graham
Freda L. GRAHAM, 96, Wynnfield Crossing, 1729 Wabash Ave., Rochester, formerly of Akron, died at 3:55 p.m. Tuesday at Wynnfield Crossing.
Her funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron, with visitation from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Friday.

Mattie Shay Leininger
Ashlee (Pruitt) Leininger
Mattie Shay LEININGER, 5, and Ashlee (Pruitt) LEININGER, 2, died Tuesday due to a road flooding accident on Fulton County Road 600 North.
They are the children of Greg and Megihann Leininger, rural Rochester.
Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

Thursday, January 10, 2008

George Wesley Geller
Sept. 17, 1940-Jan. 9, 2008
George Wesley GELLER, 67, of 184 Fulton Ave., Rochester, died at 7:45 a.m. Wednesday at home.
Born in Griffith, he was the son of "Bud" Leroy and Reba Barnett Geller. He lived his entire life in the Rochester community.
On Sept. 30, 1989, in Rochester, he married Beverly MacLain. He retired as a foreman from Union Iron Worker with Local No. 292, South Bend.
A U.S. Army veteran, he was a member of the Manitou VFW No. 1343 and LeRoy Shelton American Legion No. 36, as well as Moose Lodge No. 1107 and Eagles Lodge No. 852, all of Rochester.

George was a true American sportsman - he enjoyed hunting rabbit and squirrel. He felt at home and enjoyed relaxing on his pontoon on the sparkling waters of Lake Manitou. As an angler, he looked forward to fishing for bass and blue gill. One of his most memorable moments on the lake was when he fought and landed a Great Northern Pike. It was no fish tale; it measured 42 inches in length and weighed in at 21 pounds.

George was delighted to hang out with the guys at the old Main Street Tavern and the Dug Out. He would meet his buddies and stay abreast of the latest news. His greatest joy was the spirited games of euchre - George had no mercy for his opponents.

When George made friends, he was a friend for life. He was loyal and devoted to his fellow ironworkers and the special friends he’d made over the years.

Survivors include his wife, Beverly Geller, Rochester; four daughters, Yvonne White and husband Raymond, Rochester, Alissia Geller, Austin, Texas, Selena Johnston and husband Scott, Rochester, and Shan Jolley and husband Larry, Rochester; three sons, Gib Lee, Rochester, Bud Geller and wife Bonnie, Rochester, Charlie Geller and companion Tracey Hines, South Carolina; his mother, Reba Honkomp, Macy; two stepdaughters, Pam Bell and husband Greg, Grissom, and Eva Harper and husband Charles, Elkhart; a stepson, J.D. Nolen, Elkhart; 24 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews; three sisters, Nancy Dell and husband Bob, Rochester, Linda Haeck, Leesburg, Fla., and Reba Derryberry and husband Dennis, Akron; six brothers, Bernard Honkomp and wife Reba, Peru, Richard Geller and wife Paulette, Monterey, Pete Geller and friend Laura, Monterey, John Honkomp and wife Becky, Rochester, Bill Geller and wife Lori, Knox, and Raymond Norris and wife Sherry, Nyona Lake; and special family members, Joey, Bobby, Wink and Tammy Arnett. He was preceded in death by his father and
stepfather, Bernard "Ben" Honkomp, and a brother, Robert "Mokey" Honkomp.

A celebration of life service will be at 10 a.m. Friday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Raymond Norris officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. today and one hour prior to the service.

Freda L. Smoker Graham
Feb. 25, 1911-Jan. 8, 2008

Freda L. Smoker GRAHAM, 96, Wynnfield Crossing, 1729 Wabash Ave., Rochester, formerly of Akron, died at 3:55 p.m. Tuesday at Wynnfield Crossing.

Born in Akron, she was the daughter of Albert and Leona Ruth Smoker. She graduated from Akron High School.


A homemaker and farmer's wife, she was a member of Akron Church of God. She was very active in the church. She taught Sunday School for many years and worked at Yellow Creek camp meetings for the church and youth. She was active on the prayer chain and prayer group and was part of the Goldenaires.

At age 70, she started working in the Culver school system with Wanda Howard as a volunteer teacher's aide.

She enjoyed family get-togethers, gardening, cooking, reading and traveling, especially her trip to Israel to the Holy Land.

Survivors include her sister, Opal Laughman, Rochester; two brothers, Ernest and wife Esther Smoker, North Manchester, and Wayne and wife Chaume Smoker, Louisiana, Mo.; seven nephews, Ernie and wife GeNelle Smoker, Ed and wife Lottie Smoker, Dick and wife Janice Smoker, Jim and wife Joanie Smoker, Dennis Smoker, Matt Smoker and Mike Smoker; and four nieces, Shelby Beachamp and Patricia Trower. She was also preceded in death by a brother, Harold Smoker, and a nephew, Terry Smoker.
Her funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Pastors Terry Canfield and Steve Fleck officiating. Burial will be at Akron Cemetery, Akron. Visitation will be from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County and Akron Church of God. Online condolences may be sent through www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

Velma E. Stichler

Velma E. STICHLER, 91, of 2383 N. Old U.S. 31, Rochester, died at 11:43 a.m. Wednesday at Lakeview Manor, Indianapolis.

Born in Richland Township of Fulton County, she was the daughter of Harvey and Grace Overmyer Berkheiser. She lived most of her life in Marshall and Fulton counties.

In 1933, she graduated from Richland Center High School. On March 2, 1935, at Lake Bruce, she married Theodore Stichler. He preceded her in death on June 14, 2006.

A homemaker, she enjoyed counted cross-stitch, crossword puzzles and reading all types of books.

Survivors include a son, Charles Buford Stichler, Indianapolis; a daughter-in-law, Sharon Stichler, Anderson; four grandsons, Ted Stichler, Lapel, Doug and Davis Stichler, Anderson, and Mark Jensen, Hamlet; a granddaughter, Desiree Jacobs, Lakeville; four great-grandsons, two great-granddaughters and one great-great-granddaughter. She was also preceded in death by her parents; a daughter, LaVonne Jensen, in 1969; a son, Theodore Garth Stichler, in 1981; two grandsons, a granddaughter and a great-grandson.

Her funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Burial will be at Richland Center IOOF Cemetery. Friends may visit with the family from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday and one hour prior to the service Saturday. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.
Mattie Shay Leininger and Ashlee A. (Leininger) Pruitt
Dec. 21, 2005-Jan. 8, 2008
Mattie Shay LEININGER, 5, and Ashlee A. (Leininger) PRUITT, 2, of 6126 N. 825 East, Mentone, died Tuesday as a result of an automobile accident. Ashlee died at 10:15 a.m. Tuesday at Kosciusko County Road 600 South west of County Road 1300 West near Mentone. Mattie Shay died at 12:04 p.m. at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Born in Allen County, Mattie Shay and Ashlee attended Mentone United Methodist Church. Mattie Shay went to Beaver Dam Preschool, Akron, and Book Buddies at Bell Memorial Library, Mentone.

They are survived by their parents, Greg and Megihann Kinney Leininger, Mentone; a sister, Mariah; four brothers, Aaron, Seth, Michael and Canari (Gavin); grandparents, Kathi Triddle Kinney, Mentone, and David and Sally Leininger, Akron; great-grandmother, Vivian Overmyer, Akron; and aunts and uncles, Rebecca and husband Brandon Spitler, Jenny and husband David Bornmann and girls, and Gary and wife Heidi Leininger and girls.

A funeral service for Mattie Shay Leininger and Ashlee A. (Leininger) Pruitt will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with the Revs. Gail Law and Doris Smith officiating. Burial will be at Nichols Cemetery, Akron. Visitation will be from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the Leininger Family Fund in care of Lake City Bank. Donations may be made at any Lake City branch. Online condolences may be sent to the family through www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

Marjorie L. Rynearson
Marjorie L. RYNEARSON, 82 Tempe, Ariz., formerly of Rochester, died at 9:35 p.m. Wednesday at Streams in the Desert
Assisted Living Facility, Tempe, Ariz. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

**George Robert Coughlin**

George Robert "Bob" COUGHLIN, 82, Logansport, died Wednesday at Logansport Memorial Hospital.

Survivors include his wife, Maxine (Petrie) Kistler Coughlin; a sister, Margaret Ann Willison, Logansport; and children, Daniel R. Coughlin, Fort Wayne, Timothy E. Coughlin, Chesterton, Mary Kathryn Laskody, Norcross, Ga., and Patricia Ann Evans, Deer Creek.

His funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Monday at All Saints Catholic Church, Logansport, with visitation from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday at Marocco Funeral Chapel, Logansport.

Saturday, January 12, 2008

**Marjorie L. Rynearson**

March 5, 1925-Jan. 9, 2008

Marjorie L. RYNEARSON, 82, Tempe, Ariz., formerly of Rochester, passed away at 9:35 p.m. Wednesday at Streams in the Desert Assisted Living Facility, Tempe, Ariz.

She was born on March 5, 1925, in Rochester, the daughter of Lowe and Bernice (Hall) Rynearson. In April of 1947, she married Robert D. Caywood; they later divorced.

Marjorie was a resident of Arizona since 1975 and retired from the Arizona Department of Motor Vehicles. She was an avid sports fan, enjoyed needlepoint, knitting and spending time with her grandchildren.

Survivors include her daughter, Sharon S. Ward, Tempe, Ariz.; grandson, Jason P. and wife Aimee Reid, Hoboken, N.J.; granddaughter, Rachel S. Replogle, Chandler, Ariz.; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her brothers, Earl, Woodrow, Ellis, Reuben and Joseph Rynearson and sisters, Helen Rynearson and Sarah Coplen.
Her funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with the Rev. Maurice Grindle officiating. Friends may call one hour prior to the service. Burial will be in the Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com

Monday, January 14, 2008

Serenity Rae Ann Frush

Serenity Rae Ann FRUSH was stillborn Sunday at Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw.

Survivors include her mother, Tara Frush, two brothers, Landon and Barre, and a sister, Madison, all of Warsaw; and great-grandparents, Howard and Joan Hart, Rochester.

Visitation will be from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Friday at McHatton-Sadler Funeral Chapel, Warsaw. No service is planned.

Annice P. Sears

Annice P. SEARS, 72, of 6988 W. 1400 North, Silver Lake, died at 10:35 a.m. Sunday at her residence.

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

Betty J. Wilson Zehner

Betty J. Wilson ZEHNER, 73, of 6123 N. 200 East, Monterey, died Friday at Pulaski Memorial Hospital, Winamac.

Survivors include daughters, Tina Race, Rochester, Laurie Zimmerman, Naperville, Ill., and Melissa Neidlinger, Plymouth; and a sister, Gladys Hartman, Mesa, Ariz.

Her funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at St. Anne's Catholic Church, Monterey, with visitation from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday at Frain Mortuary, Winamac.
Griffin Scott Huffman

Griffin Scott HUFFMAN, 3 months, Logansport, passed away at 4:15 p.m. Sunday at Riley Hospital for Children, Indianapolis.

Born at Dukes Hospital in Peru on Sept. 25, 2007, he was the son of Vincent Scott Huffman and Robin Faith (Townsend) Huffman. They survive in Logansport.

Also surviving are maternal grandmother, Marilyn Townsend, Rochester; maternal grandparents, Paul Townsend and his wife Melba, Roann; maternal great-grandparents, Robert and Bonnie Townsend, Rochester; paternal grandmother, Luella Huffman, Frankton; paternal great-grandmother, Charlotte Turner, Anderson; aunts and uncles, Amy and K. J. Blackburn, Rochester, and Julie Hughes, Murfreesboro, Tenn.; cousins, Grant, Annie and Carlee Blackburn; and a number of great-aunts, great-uncles and cousins. He was preceded in death by maternal great-grandparents, Fay and Mildred Bathrick; paternal grandfather, Randall Scott Huffman; and paternal great-grandparents, Robert and Birtie Porter.

His funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Logansport First Assembly of God, 831 Burlington Ave., with Pastor Andy Weil officiating. Burial will be at IOOF Cemetery, Rochester. Calling hours are 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday at the church. Memorials may be made to Riley Hospital for Children, Suite 500, 50 S. Meridian St., Indianapolis, IN 46209. Arrangements are by Kroeger Funeral Home, Logansport. Condolences may be placed online at kroegerfuneralhome.com.

Annice P. Sears
Annice P. SEARS, 72, of 6988 W. 1400 North, Silver Lake, died Sunday at home.

Survivors include her husband, Clifford E. Sears; a son, Joe Sears, Akron; a daughter, Melody Sears, Rochester; four sisters, Doris Gholson, Bloomfield, Lois Arnold, Spencer, Kathyne James,
Solsberry, Ruth Ann Evans, Bloomington; and three brothers, Dwayne Black, Solsberry, Ancel Black and John Black, Bloomington.

Her funeral service will be at 1 p.m. Thursday at Earl-Love Funeral Home, Akron, with visitation from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

Wednesday, January 16, 2008

Marvin E. Ringle

Marvin E. RINGLE, 89, Plymouth, died Monday at Catherine Kasper Life Center, Donaldson.

Survivors include three daughters, Janeal Youngman, Frankton, Sandra Bornes, Warsaw, and Marla A. Keefer, Rochester; and a brother, Wendell Ringle, Rochester.

His funeral service will be at 3 p.m. Thursday at Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, with visitation from 1 p.m. until the service.

Thursday, January 17, 2008

Lois Emery Brown

Aug. 2, 1918-Dec. 29, 2007

Lois Emery BROWN, age 89, passed away Dec. 29, 2007, at Presbyterian Hospital, Albuquerque, N.M.

The daughter of Cretie Jane (Ausman) and Carl C. Emery, Lois resided in Albuquerque since 1947, with her husband of 70 years, Marvin H. Brown.

She graduated from Fulton High School in 1937.

Lois was an active member of University Heights United Methodist Church.

Her father, mother and sister, Opal Champ, preceded her in death.

Lois is survived by two daughters, Pauline Nipper and husband Tom of Locust Grove, Ga., and Charlotte Campbell and husband Jarret, Mesa, Ariz.; nine grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; two
great-great-grandchildren; brothers, Dale Emery and wife Judy, Byron Center, Mich., Doyne Emery and wife Luella, Macy; and a sister, Maxine Scutt, Coldwater, Mich.

Her funeral service was Jan. 3, 2008, in Albuquerque.

**John R. Harris**

John R. HARRIS, 45, of 8936 King Road, Plymouth, died at 5:05 p.m. Wednesday at home.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Edward Heckman**

Edward HECKMAN, 50, of 106 E. North St., Akron, died at 11:28 p.m. Wednesday in the Woodlawn Hospital emergency room.

Arrangements are pending at Hartzer Funeral Home, Akron.

**Ardith Joan Rager**

Ardith Joan RAGER, 79, of 508 Brentwood, Akron, died at 10:55 a.m. Wednesday at Life Care Center of Rochester.

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

**David Schrader**

David SCHRADE, 67, formerly of Rochester, died at 12:37 a.m. today at Northwood Village Healthcare, Kokomo.

Arrangements are pending at King Memorial Home, Mentone.

Friday, January 18, 2008

**John Robert Harris**

John Robert HARRIS, 45, of 8936 King Road, Plymouth, formerly of Rochester, died Wednesday at home.

Survivors include four sisters, Kathy Burke, Everett, Wash., Ginny Lecatsas, Bloomsburg, Pa., Cindy Edel, Bourbon, Kim
Braasch, Monterey; two brothers, Michael Harris, Charlotte, N.C., and James Harris, Oceanside, Calif.

His funeral service will be at 5:30 p.m. Monday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation from 4 p.m. until the service.

Edward S. Heckman

Edward S. HECKMAN, 50, of 106 E. North St., Akron, died Wednesday in the Woodlawn Hospital emergency room, Rochester.

Born in San Gabriel, Calif., he was the son of Deleo and Katherine L. McClain Heckman. He married Robin C. Hucks in Culver on March 22, 1997, and she survives.

He worked at KABS (Cardinal Center, Warsaw) as a bus driver. A member of Omega Church, Akron, he enjoyed hunting and fishing.

Survivors include his wife, Robin C. Heckman, Akron; four daughters, Janiece Sheppard, Patti and husband Tommy Miner and Bonnie Heckman of California and Katherine Heckman, Akron; three sons, Eddie and wife Re-Ann Heckman of Texas, Gavin Hucks and Nathaniel Heckman of Akron; three grandchildren, Cheyenne Sheppard, Morgan and TJ Miner; his father, Deleo Heckman, Riverside, Calif.; a brother, Steven Heckman of California; his mother-in-law, Carol and husband George Graham, Akron; and his father-in-law, Vern Hucks, Kokomo. He was preceded in death by his mother and stepmother.

His funeral service will be at 4 p.m. Sunday at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Pastor Thad Stewart officiating. Private family burial will take place at a later date. Visitation will be from 2 p.m. until the service Sunday. Memorials may be made to Omega Church, Akron. Online condolences may be sent to the family via www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

Florence L. Hunter

Florence L. HUNTER, 79, formerly of 300 E. Fourth Street, Rochester, died at 12:15 a.m. today at Hickory Creek of Rochester.
Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Ardith Joan Rager**  

Ardith Joan RAGER, 79, of 508 Brentwood, Akron, passed away at 10:55 a.m. Wednesday at Life Care Center of Rochester.

She was born on Jan. 17, 1928, in Larwill, the daughter of W. Arthur and Helen (Oliver) Buntain. She was a 1946 graduate of Larwill High School.

Ardith had worked as a secretary in the medical field for many years and was a homemaker. She attended Akron United Methodist Church and enjoyed sewing and gardening.

Survivors include her son, Delmar Rager, Lake Wales, Fla.; daughters, Pamela and husband Michael McFarland, Akron, Rene' Rozen-Rager and husband Shauli Rozen, Hemet, Calif.; grandchildren, Chelsea Rager, Lake Wales, Fla., Austin Rager, Lake Wales, Fla., Ryan McFarland, Akron, Bethany and husband Michael How, Rugby, England; sisters, Doris Todd, Warsaw, Vera and husband Karen Clark, Crystal Lake, Louise and husband Phil Dacey, Columbus, Ohio, Alice Brumfield, Claypool; a brother, Wendell and wife Helen Buntain, Las Cruces, N.M.; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, daughter, Judith Rager, and sister, Gertrude Maggert.

No funeral services or visitation will be observed. Per Ardith's wishes, her remains have been bequeathed to the Saint Louis University School of Medicine, St. Louis, Mo. Memorial contributions may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County or the American Cancer Society. Arrangements are by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.
David Robert Schrader
April 10, 1940-Jan. 17, 2008

David Robert SCHRADER, 67, Northwood Healthcare, 2233 W. Jefferson St., Kokomo, and formerly of Rochester, died at 12:40 a.m. Thursday at the healthcare residence in Kokomo.

Born in Clinton, Iowa, he was the son of Robert and Marbeth Whalen Schrader. He lived in Florida before moving to Kokomo and in the Rochester area prior to living in Florida.

On Dec. 17, 1960, he married Mary Jane Byers. She died Feb. 26, 1986. He had worked in all kinds of sales and was a U.S. Navy veteran.

Survivors include three daughters, Melissa and husband Craig Armstrong, Elkhart, Katie and husband Darren Hanley, Kokomo, and Sarah and husband Sean Garrison, Macy; a son, Paul and wife Dawn Schrader, Mentone; and five grandchildren, Michelle and Graigory Armstrong, Michael and Cayla Schrader, Bryce Garrison. He was preceded in death by a brother, Bob Schrader, and his parents.

His funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at King Memorial Home, Mentone, with Pastor David Welsh officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service. Burial will be at Tippecanoe Cemetery, Tippecanoe.

Saturday, January 19, 2008

Florence Louise Hunter
June 19, 1928-Jan. 18, 2008

Florence Louise HUNTER, 79, Hickory Creek, 340 E. 18th St., Rochester, and formerly of Waterhaven Apartments, died at 12:15 a.m. Friday at Hickory Creek.

Born in Rochester, the daughter of Lee and Evelyn Musselman Ehlinger, she was a lifetime Rochester community resident. On Oct. 20, 1962, in Rochester she married Robert Hunter, and he preceded her in death.

She retired as an aide at Canterbury Manor and was a member of First Church of God, Rochester.
She collected Santa Claus figurines and enjoyed flower gardening. She liked to cook, especially on Sundays and holidays. She was an avid euchre player and loved garage sales and DQ dilly bars. She spoiled her grandchildren with pancakes and hot chocolate and cared about others before herself.

She is survived by two daughters, Carol Goodman of Rochester, formerly of Culver, and Barbara Wolfe and fiance David Besse of Kewanna; 11 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; a stepdaughter, Barbara Joyce; and two nephews. She was also preceded in death by her parents; a daughter, Nancy Townsend Poulin; a son, Larry Ehlinger; a great-grandson, Jacob Ehlinger; and a brother, Bud Ehlinger.

Her funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Monday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Pastor Larry Dodge officiating. Burial will be at IOOF Cemetery, Rochester. Friends may visit with the family from 9 a.m. until the service Monday. Following interment, a dinner will be held at First Church of God, Third and Main streets. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Monday, January 21, 2008

Haskell Eugene Rumple
Oct. 9, 1921-Jan. 19, 2008

Haskell Eugene RUMPLE, 86, of 1139 Rochester Blvd., Rochester, passed away at 5:15 a.m. Saturday at Northwoods Village Nursing Home in Kokomo.

He was born on Oct. 9, 1921, in Van Buren, the son of William and Florence (Hewitt) Rumple. On Feb. 14, 1942, in Marion, he married Dorothy Lorraine Cassidy. She preceded him in death on March 4, 2007. He was a U.S. Army Air Corps. veteran of World War II.

Mr. Rumple retired from State Farm Insurance as a claims representative after 27 years. He was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church, Rochester, Knights of Columbus, Rochester Lions Club,
Central Ohio Adjusters Association, Southern Indiana Adjusters Association and the Indiana Adjusters Association.

Survivors include his daughter, Patricia Border, Rochester; son, Michael E. and wife Jeannie Rumple, Elburn, Ill.; grandchildren, Jessica Border, Rochester, Kathleen and husband Antonio Davis, Rochester; great-grandchildren, Trey Davis, Kendal Davis, A.J. Davis and Eian Haywood, all of Rochester; brother, Walter and wife Irene Rumple, Scottsburg. He was preceded in death by his sister, Mayme Rumple, and brothers, Robert, Glenn, George and Vern Rumple.

A mass of Christian burial will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Rochester, with the Rev. Joseph Jacob officiating. Friends may call from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Rosary will be recited at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home. Burial will be in the Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester, where military graveside services will be conducted by the Rochester American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars posts. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Joseph Catholic Church. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

Tuesday, January 22, 2008

Lauramay Koebcke
Sept. 24, 1918-Jan. 19, 2008

Lauramay KOEBCKE, 89, of 7082 W. 100 South, Kewanna, died at 4:20 p.m. Saturday at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Born in Redkey, she was the daughter of Lewis C. and Sylvia Berrier Wandrey.


A homemaker, Lauramay was a member of St. Luke Lutheran Church, Winamac, and a member of the women's guild and the altar guild of the church. She enjoyed playing cards, reading and crocheting.
Lauramay enjoyed spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren.

She is survived by a daughter, Colleen M. (Delbert) May, Rochester; two sons, Larry L. Koebcke, Valparaiso, and Walter L. (Donna J.) Koebcke, Kewanna; eight grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and three sisters, Clara Wandrey Hahne, Tempe, Ariz., Louise Wandrey Thompson, Slater, Iowa, and Catherine Wandrey Ash, Winamac. She was also preceded in death by her parents and three sisters, Esther Wandrey Hahne, Betty Wandrey and Margaret Wandrey.

Her funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Thursday at St. Luke Lutheran Church, Winamac, with Pastor Carl Fitchett officiating. Burial will be in Bruce Lake Cemetery at Lake Bruce. Visitation will be from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday at Frain Mortuary and one hour prior to the service Thursday at the church. Memorials may be given to St. Luke church. Messages of sympathy may be sent to the family at www.frainmortuary.com.

**Billy A. McKee**

Retired USAF Lt. Col. Billy A. McKEE 87, Peabody Retirement Community, North Manchester, and formerly of Rochester, died at 7:15 a.m. Monday at Peabody Retirement Community.

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

**Wednesday, January 23, 2008**

**Billy A. McKee**
May 29, 1920-Jan. 21, 2008

He was born on May 29, 1920, in Rochester, the son of Brant and Beulah (Adamson) McKee. On Sept. 16, 1942, in Logansport, he married Elsie Brown and she survives. In 1944, he received his bachelor's degree from Indiana University.

Mr. McKee was a retired Lieutenant Colonel from the United States Air Force and retired from Camcar Torx Division in Rochester, as Chief Accountant in 1984 after 38 years of service. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Rochester, American Legion, Moose Lodge, Elks Lodge and the Kiwanis Club. He enjoyed playing the drums with the dance bands the Mello-tones and Three's Company.

Survivors include his wife, Elsie McKee, North Manchester; sons, George and wife Kyoko McKee, Sacramento, Calif., and Tom and wife Terri McKee, West Bloomfield, Mich.; and four grandchildren.

His funeral service will be at 1:30 p.m. Friday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with the Rev. David Wentroble officiating. Friends may call from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday and one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Burial will be in the Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester, where military graveside services will be conducted by the Wright-Patterson Air Force Base Honor Guard. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

Robert M. Moore

Robert M. MOORE, 78, Kings Lake, died Saturday at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

He is survived by his wife, Bobbie Moore, Kings Lake.

His funeral will be at noon Saturday at Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, with visitation one hour prior to the service.

Thursday, January 24, 2008

No Obituaries
Friday, January 25, 2008

**Ruth B. Reed**

Ruth B. REED, 94, Argos, died at 3:23 a.m. today at Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Saturday, January 26, 2008

**Ruth B. Reed**

Ruth B. REED, 94, formerly of Argos, died Friday at Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth.

Survivors include three daughters, Marjorie Dunham, Argos, Demaris Hochstetler, Bremen, and Zelma Montague, Wabash.

Her funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Sunday at Argos Bible Church with visitation from 12:30 p.m. until the service. Arrangements are by Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Monday, January 28, 2008

**Carl Wilson**


Former Onward resident Carl WILSON of Winona Lake died at 6:30 a.m. Friday in Howard Regional Health System.


Carl was a graduate of Onward High School and attended Purdue University. During World War II, he served in the U.S. Army Air Corps and was stationed in North Africa.

A lifelong farmer, Carl farmed in the Onward area before retiring to Winona Lake.

He was a lifelong member of the Onward Christian Church and also attended the First Christian Church in Warsaw. He was a member
of the Walton Masonic Lodge, the Onward Grange, the Logansport Eagles, and served as a Boy Scout leader for many years with the former Onward troop.

He dearly loved his community. To that respect, he and his wife started a college scholarship fund for students at Lewis Cass and Rochester - their alma maters.

Carl enjoyed traveling and had traveled all over the world. He also loved fishing.

Surviving are his nieces and nephews, Carolyn Quinn, Englewood, Fla., Rick (Carol) Wilson, Athens, Sandy (Dick) Adams, Mexico, Dennis (Rhoda) Barkman, Kokomo, Janis Diehm, Sinking Springs, Penn., David (Karen) Barkman, Fayetteville, N.C., and Karen (Jean-Pierre) Kane, Wabash; two sisters-in-law, Marie Wilson, Peru, and Mabel Blacketor, Rochester; and several great-nieces and great-nephews. He was preceded in death by one sister, Alma Wilson-Quinn; two brothers, Paul and Fred Wilson; one nephew, Keith C. "Sonny" Wilson; and two nieces, Shirley McLaughlin and Elizabeth (Libby) Cavanaugh.

A memorial service, with military rites and flag presentation, will be held at a later date at the Onward Christian Church. Private interment will be in Deer Creek Cemetery, Onward. Fisher Funeral Chapel, Logansport, has been entrusted with arrangements. Memorial contributions may be made to the Carl J. Wilson and Helen M. Wilson Scholarship Fund for Lewis Cass and Rochester students. You may light a candle of hope in remembrance of Carl and sign his guest book at www.fisherfuneralchapel.com.

Tuesday, January 29, 2008

Daniel Roy Barrett

Oct. 27, 1982-Jan. 27, 2008

Trooper Daniel Roy BARRETT age 25, Logansport, passed away at 10:42 p.m. Sunday on U.S. 31, south of Indiana 110, in Fulton County.
Born Oct. 27, 1982, in Logansport, he was the son of Vincent D. and Sarah J. Hanna Barrett. His parents survive, residing in Logansport.

Daniel Barrett joined the Indiana State Police in 2007. Becoming a state trooper was his long-time goal. His fluency in Spanish allowed him to assist in several situations during his short career. Dan was enthusiastic about all aspects of his new job.

Prior to joining the state police, Dan was employed as a correctional officer for the State of Indiana. A 2002 graduate of Logansport High School, Daniel took criminal justice courses at Indiana University - Kokomo and Ivy Tech State College. While in high school, he went on a "dinosaur dig" in South Dakota, which he enjoyed very much.

Daniel also enjoyed hunting, fishing, riding four-wheelers and all outside activities. Described by friends and family as charitable and good-hearted, he enjoyed creative writing, arts and crafts and woodworking. He enjoyed cooking and baking, making apple pies and pie crusts. In 2003, Daniel was a contestant on the "Hoosier Millionaire" show.

He was eagerly looking forward to the birth of his first nephew, Nicholas "Daniel" Barrett.

Also surviving are his maternal grandmother, Jane Hanna, Logansport; brothers and sister-in-law, Matthew D. and Shannon O. Barrett, Logansport, and Patrick J. Barrett, Logansport; sister, Laura J. Barrett, Carmel; aunts and uncles, John and Sharon Barrett, Charles Barrett, Mary Ann and Mark Penz, Herbert and Joyce Hanna and Allen and Janet Hanna, all of Logansport; great-aunts and a great-uncle, Frances Isabelle "Aunt Izzy" Roberson, Kokomo, John F. and Carolyn Appleton, Logansport; and several cousins as well as good friends, Justin Bault and Bob German. He was preceded in death by an uncle, William Barrett, and an aunt, Mary Louise Hanna.

His funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Friday at First Assembly of God, 831 Burlington Avenue, Logansport, with Rev. Tim McKaig, Indiana State Police Superintendent Dr. Paul Whitesell and Indiana State Police Chaplain Rev. Daniel Coffey officiating. Burial will be in
a local cemetery to be determined. Friends may call from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday at First Assembly of God. Memorial contributions may be made to "Cops for Kids" c/o Indiana State Police Alliance, 1415 Shelby Street, Indianapolis, IN 46203. Envelopes will be available at the church. Kroeger Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Condolences and personal remembrances may be left online at www.kroegerfuneralhome.com.

LuEdith M. Severns
March 22, 1922-Jan. 28, 2008

LuEdith M. SEVERNS, 85, of 3269 E. 300 South, Rochester, passed away at 6:35 p.m. Monday at Hickory Creek of Rochester.

She was born on March 22, 1922, in Rochester, the daughter of Ira and Mabel (Smith) Baker. On April 25, 1942, in Rochester, she married Dean H. Severns. He preceded her in death on April 29, 1952. On April 5, 1953, in Rochester, she married Jack C. Severns. He preceded her in death on Nov. 5, 2007.

Mrs. Severns was a homemaker. She also owned and operated Severns Floral Shop. She was a member of the Homefront Club, Green Oak Club, Quilting Club, Mental Health Association, 4-H leader for many years, and enjoyed making flower arrangements for items at cemeteries, weddings and other family events.

Survivors include her sons, Daniel and wife Rita Severns, Akron, Terrance "Terry" and wife Lorraine Severns, Rochester, Gary and wife Janet Severns, Rochester; daughter, Linda and husband Ned Heighway, Akron; brothers, Waldo and wife Alta Baker, LaPorte, Paul and wife Jane Baker, Elkhart, Ira Everett Baker, Churubusco; brother-in-law, Ben and wife Betty Severns, Athens; sister-in-law, Pat Baker, Osceola; 13 grandchildren, 25 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; a sister, Ethel Ruth Johnson; brother, Frederick Baker; and sister-in-law, Eleanor Severns.

Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Friday at Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester, with the Rev. Butch Troke officiating. Friends may call from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday at Zimmerman Bros Funeral
Home, Rochester. Memorial contributions may be made to the donor's favorite charity. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

Wednesday, January 30, 2008

**Anne Clifford Cooper**

Anne Clifford COOPER, 87, Noblesville, died Monday at Harbour Manor Care Center in Noblesville. She and her husband had a home at Lake Manitou.

Survivors include her husband Earl Long Cooper; three children, Judy Williams, Noblesville, Susan Cooper, Minneapolis, Minn., and William Cooper, Noblesville.

A memorial service will be at noon Saturday at First Christian Church, Noblesville, with visitation from 10 a.m. until the service. Hersberger Funeral Home, Lapel, is handling arrangements.

**Kayleigh Ann Parker**

Kayleigh Ann PARKER, 14, of 1629 N. Meridian Road, Apt. A, Rochester, died Tuesday at home.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Thursday, January 31, 2008

**Kayleigh Ann Parker**

Kayleigh Ann PARKER, 14, of 1629 N. Meridian Road, Apt. A, died Tuesday at home.

Survivors include her parents, Thomas and Patricia Parker, at home; a brother, Scottie Whittenberger, Atwood; and a sister, Angela Parker, Burbank, Calif.

Her funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation from 9 a.m. until the service.
Nelson Ray Voorhees
Nelson Ray VOORHEES, 47, of 160 Reed Lane, Rochester, died Wednesday at home.
Survivors include his wife, Donna Voorhees, at home; three daughters, Julie Yanke, Riceville, Wis., Kristy Sears of Rochester, Amanda Sears, Larwill; two sons, Justin Ray Voorhees and Derrick Wayne Voorhees of Rochester; three sisters, Vicki Rudd, Galveston, Krista Rae Pearson, Colorado Springs, Colo., Ramona Rae Anderson, Lehi, Utah; a brother, Randy Lee Voorhees, Evansville; and his mother, Maria Fries, Colorado Springs, Colo.
His funeral service will be at 3 p.m. Saturday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday and one hour prior to the service.

Friday, February 1, 2008

Mildred Irene Barts
Mildred Irene BARTS, 96, of 6241 W. Indiana 14, Rochester, died at 1:07 a.m. today at home.
Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

M. Ann Good
M. Ann GOOD, 66, Grass Creek, died Wednesday at her residence.
Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna.

Kayleigh Ann Parker
Kayleigh Ann PARKER, 14, of 1629 N. Meridian Road, Apt. A, Rochester, died at 1:34 p.m. Tuesday at home.
Born in Rochester, she was the daughter of Thomas and Patricia Geller Parker. She was a lifetime resident of Fulton County and an eighth-grade student at Rochester Middle School. She had recently
transferred from Caston Jr./Sr. High School, where she achieved academic honors. At Caston, she was a member of the co-ed soccer team wearing No. 8 with great pride. She was a member of the Caston Band playing the saxophone. Prior to her stint at Caston, Kayleigh participated in the Rochester Soccer League as a versatile player able to play multiple positions.

Kayleigh was gifted as an author, expressing herself with the poetry she wrote. One of her poems was published. As a teenager, she greatly enjoyed texting, photography and being on the computer on MySpace.com. Watching television, especially scary movies, and meeting friends for bowling each week at Quick's Lanes' Rock City Bowling were activities she always looked forward to as hobbies.

Kayleigh treasured the time she spent hanging out with her Mom, Dad and friends. She also leaves behind her lifelong feline companion, "Knightfall," who was born the same week in September 1993. Kayleigh leaves her family and friends to cherish her memory.

She is survived by her parents, Thomas and Patricia Parker, at home; a brother, Scottie Whittenberger, Atwood; a sister, Angela Parker, Burbank, Calif.; her maternal grandmother, Nancy Dell and husband Bob, Rochester; her paternal grandmother, Sharon Viedma-Aguilar, Los Angeles, Calif.; her maternal great-grandmother, Reba Honkomp, Nyona Lake; uncle John C. Ely and wife Angie, Spring, Texas, aunt Bridgette Wheadon and husband Ron, Rochester, aunt Cindy Pike and husband Mark, Rochester, aunt Frankie Ritter, Gilead; great-aunt Pearl McPhearson, Kewanna; numerous cousins; several great-aunts and great-uncles; and many loved and cherished friends. She was preceded in death by her maternal grandfather David Geller in 1997 and great-grandmother Golda Carter Bailey in 1992.

A celebration of the life of Miss Kayleigh Ann Parker will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Good Family Funeral Home, with Pastor Bruce Russell officiating. Friends may visit with her family from 9 a.m. until her service. A private family burial will be at a later date. Memorials may be made in Kayleigh's memory to her family. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.
Nelson Ray Voorhees


Nelson Ray VOORHEES, 47, of 160 Reed Lane, Rochester, died at 10:57 a.m. Wednesday at home.

Born in Williamsport, he was the son of William A. and Maria "Marie" Fries Voorhees. He had lived in Colorado Springs, Colo., and moved here from Fort Myers, Fla., in 1997.

Nelson was a 1978 graduate of Fountain Central High School in Veedersburg. Following graduation, he worked with his dad and brother, Randy, as a logger. Embracing nature, he enjoyed the life of an American sportsman. He hunted deer, elk and bear in Canada, Utah and Colorado. He also enjoyed fishing, trapping and hunting with his brother near Hillsboro. These expeditions usually involved family or friends. Each spring he looked forward to hunting mushrooms in remote, secret locations.

Nelson owned and operated the Blue Ribbon Construction Company of Rochester. He was very talented as a master builder - constructing several custom homes around the area. He enjoyed the challenge of refining the most difficult remodeling projects, accomplishing finished projects to perfection. His greatest strength of the building trades is that of his finishing and wood craftsmanship. One lesser known talent was his abilities as an auctioneer. He enjoyed auctioneering occasionally and sometimes even twice weekly.

As a gourmet cook, Nelson was in command of the kitchen. Interested in trying new recipes and inventing some of his own, he felt more at peace in the kitchen than anywhere else. He is remembered for roasting hogs, catering business affairs and weddings for friends and family. His culinary talents weren't limited to the kitchen as he grilled hamburgers, steaks and chicken and delicious barbecued ribs. Chef Nelson created delectable soups - chicken noodle and chili were among his favorites. He also deep fried incredible mushrooms. Many times Nelson would share his culinary creations with his best friends and family. At one time, he and his wife, Donna, flirted with the idea of opening a restaurant.
Nelson enjoyed the company of many friends he had cultivated over the years. Among the friends he treasured most were his buddies he met for coffee every afternoon, straight up at 4:00 at the Paradise Truck Stop. It was over the cups of coffee that the guys created a close bond, gathering each day and discussing the day's events and solving many of the world's problems. He will be remembered by his friends for his positive outlook and wonderful sense of humor.

Nelson's memberships included the Lincoln Masonic Lodge No. 523. He enjoyed the camaraderie with his fellow Masons. Nelson attended The Old Crossroad Baptist Church in Gilead. Lending his talents, he led the spirited efforts of restoration of this beautiful church and completed them in 2005. Nelson will be remembered as a loving and devoted husband, a thoughtful son, a dedicated dad, a loyal brother and a faithful and trustworthy friend. He will be greatly missed by all those who knew him.

He is survived by his wife, Donna Voorhees, formerly Donna Lynn Ruff Sears, whom he married Jan. 29, 2005, in Rochester. Also surviving are three daughters, Julie Yanke, Riceville, Wis., Kristy Sears, Rochester, and Amanda Sears, Larwill; two sons, Justin Ray Voorhees and Derrick Wayne Voorhees of Rochester; three grandchildren, Georgia Damrow, Riceville, Wis., Ryley Sears, Rochester, and Alexa Wilson, Larwill; three sisters, Vicki Rudd and husband Jack, Galveston, Krista Rae Pearson, Colorado Springs, Colo., and Ramona Rae Anderson and husband Michael, Lehi, Utah; a brother, Randy Lee Voorhees and wife Krista, Evansville; his mother, Marie Fries, Colorado Springs, Colo.; his stepmother, Nita Voorhees, Indianapolis; his stepsister, Becky; and numerous cousins, nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father on Jan. 30, 1984, and an infant son, Ryan Andrew Cody Voorhees.

A celebration of the life of Nelson Ray Voorhees will be at 3 p.m. Saturday at Good Family Funeral Home, with the Rev. Thad Stewart officiating. His family will receive friends today from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. and Saturday one hour prior to the service. A Masonic service will be at 7:30 p.m. today. Memorials in lieu of flowers may
be made to Hope Hospice. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Carolyn Young

Carolyn M. YOUNG, 76, of 3884 S. Wabash Road, Rochester, died Thursday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Survivors include her husband, Ronnie Young, at home; three sons, Jerry Bunn, Fulton, Danny Bunn, Rochester, and Alan Young, Poway, Calif.; and a sister, Janet Coplen, Argos.

Her funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday and one hour prior to the service Tuesday.

Saturday, February 2, 2008

Carolyn Marie Young

April 4, 1931-Jan. 31, 2008

Carolyn Marie YOUNG, 76, of 3884 S. Wabash Road, Rochester, died at 10:44 a.m. Thursday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Born in Mexico, Ind., she was the daughter of John and Marie Flenner Zartman. On Aug. 2, 1956, she married Ronnie G. Young in Waterloo.

She was a homemaker and worked at the former Chamberlain’s of Akron. She enjoyed sewing and craft work. She made kitchen towels and hot pads. In past years, she did a lot of canning, with Ronnie assisting with the garden harvest. She liked to eat out and cherished the time she spent with her family.

Survivors include her husband, Ronnie Young, at home; three sons, Jerry Bunn and wife Gayle, Fulton, Danny Bunn and wife Julie, Poway, Calif.; grandchildren, Michelle Gribble and husband Stefan, Rebecca Baldwin and husband Scott, Laura Parsons, Danielle Sommers and husband Chris, Chelsea Young and Griffin Young; 10 great-grandchildren; a sister, Janet Coplen and husband Francis, Argos; a brother-in-law, Emerson Overmyer, Fulton; and several
nieces and nephews. Also surviving is her beloved poodle, Elvis. She was preceded in death by her parents; a sister, Rosanna Overmyer; two brothers, John Zartman and Glen Dean Zartman.

Her funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18\textsuperscript{th} St., Rochester. Burial will be at Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Friends may visit with the family from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday and one hour prior to the service. Memorials may be made to Woodlawn Home Health Care, Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily\texttt{@}rtcol.com.

**Mary Jan Herendeen**

March 17, 1916-Feb. 1, 2008

Mary Jane HERENDEEN, 91, 1219 Jefferson Street, Rochester, passed away at 10:02 a.m. Friday at Woodlawn Hospital.


Mrs. Herendeen retired as a deputy with the Marion County, Florida, sheriff’s dept. She attended the First Christian Church, Rochester, was a member of R.S.V.P. and was an avid sports fan, especially the Chicago White Sox. She also enjoyed gospel music, her plants and her dogs.

Survivors include her nieces, Linda and husband Rich Migonis; Karen and husband Richard Waltz, both of Rochester; nephew, Howard “Hank” Summers, Akron; step-sons, Howard Herendeen and Gary Herendeen, both of Cleveland, Ohio, several great nieces and nephews and several great-great nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her sister, Bonnie Summers.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Monday, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester with the Rev. Woody Slade officiating. Friends may call from noon to 2 p.m. Monday at the funeral home. Burial will be in the Odd Fellows Cemetery,
Rochester. Memorial contributions may be made to the First Christian Church or R.S.V.P. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

**M. Ann Good**
Nov. 20, 1941-Jan. 30, 2008

M. Ann GOOD, 66, of Grass Creek passed away Jan. 30 at her residence. Born Nov. 20, 1941 in Kewanna, she was the daughter of the late Donald and Helen (Oliver) Hizer.

She was a 1959 graduate of Grass Creek High School, a graduate of Manchester College where she received a B.S. degree in 1971, and she was also a 1975 graduate of Indiana University where she earned her Masters degree in education.

Ann was a special education teacher for Logansport Joint Services. She taught at Logansport, Peru, Kewanna, Caston, Winamac and for many years at Pioneer, retiring in 1999 after 28 years.

She was a member of the Retired Teachers Association and also volunteered at Rochester Community Schools. Ann enjoyed cooking, gardening, reading and spending time with her grandchildren.

Surviving are one son, Brad R. Good (Kathy), Rochester; one daughter, Kris K. Good, Indianapolis; one brother, Joe Hizer (Carol), Kewanna; one sister, Jane Hizer, Rochester; four grandchildren, Cory, Casey, Maggie, and Libby Good, all of Rochester; several nieces and nephews.

Memorial services will be private.

Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Monday, at Harrison Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, 123 E. Main St., Kewanna.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be sent to the M. Ann Good Memorial Fund, c/o Northern Indiana Community Foundation, P.O. Box 807, Rochester, IN. 46975.

Online condolences may be made to the family at www.harrisonmetzer.com.
Monday, February 4, 2008

Marjorie Elizabeth Garland

Marjorie Elizabeth GARLAND, 84, of 212 W. Walnut St., Argos, died Sunday at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Survivors include her husband, Kenneth A. Garland, Argos; two daughters, Carolyn Clingenpeel, Warsaw, and Nancy Kinsey, Tippecanoe; and a brother, Larry McDonald, Kerrville, Texas.

Her funeral service will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos, with visitation from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday.

Carl M. Paseka


Carl M. PASEKA, 58, of 394 S. 900 West, Etna Green, died at 10:47 p.m. Saturday in the Kosciusko Community Hospital emergency room, Warsaw. He was in failing health.

Born in Warsaw, he was the son of Mark and Mildred Paseka. He was raised by his father and his grandmother, Irene McCausey Paseka. He graduated from Warsaw High School in 1968.

On June 28, 1970, at Harrison Center Church, Etna Green, he married Gloria Tucker, and she survives.

He was a maintenance superintendent for more than 20 years at Lear Corporation and also at WireKraft, both of Bourbon.

He was an avid hunter and fisherman and loved the outdoors. He enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren and family.

Survivors include his wife, Gloria Paseka, Etna Green; two daughters, Stephanie and husband Samuel Dixon, Mentone, and Heather Paseka, Etna Green; a son, Andrew Paseka and wife Meagan, Warsaw; five grandchildren, Kylee and Cory Walton, Michael Paseka, Jacob Dixon and Ethan Paseka; two sisters, Leona Izumi, Stockton, Calif., and Kathy Ulshafer, South Whitley; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, grandparents and two brothers, Philip and Peter Paseka.
His funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at Harrison Center Church, Kosciusko County Roads 100 South and 800 West, Etna Green, with Pastors Larry Goss and Bill Stevens officiating. Burial will be at Harrison Center Cemetery, Etna Green. Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone. Memorials may be made to Warsaw Dialysis Center.

**Mildred Irene Barts**

Mildred Irene BARTS, 96, of 6241 W. Indiana 14, Rochester, died Friday at home.

Survivors include a daughter, Sarah A. Betten, Rochester, a son, Ralph Richard “Dick” Barts, Huntington, and two half sisters, Lois Adams, Moorehaven, Fla., and Wilma Welker of South Carolina.

Her funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation from 9:30 a.m. until the service.

Tuesday, February 5, 2008

**Mildred Irene Barts**


Mildred Irene BARTS, 96, of 938 Jackson Blvd., Rochester, died at 1:07 a.m. Friday at her granddaughter’s residence.

Born in Fulton, she was the daughter of Charles and Addie Copner Felty Holler. On Feb. 1, 1930, she married Ralph Raymond Barts in Rochester. He preceded her in death on March 8, 1970.

A homemaker, she was employed by Olin Signal Corp., Peru, and retired in 1954. She was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church.

A diehard Cubs fan, she was also an avid card player and enjoyed listening to country music, especially George Strait. She also crocheted doilies for her family and friends.

Survivors include a daughter, Sarah A. Betten, Rochester, a son, Ralph Richard “Dick” Barts and wife Caroline, Huntington; four
grandchildren, Michael Betten and wife Cheryl, New Castle, Karen Sue Vititoe, Rochester, Jeffrey Richard Barts and wife Carol, Ardmore, Ala., and Lydia Susan Cartwright and husband Jeffrey, Huntington; 10 great-grandchildren; 12 great-great-grandchildren; two half sisters, Lois Adams, Moorehaven, Fla., and Wilma Welker, South Carolina; and several nieces and nephews. She was also preceded in death by her parents and several half brothers and sisters.

Her funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Pastor Buck Padilla officiating. Burial will be at Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Friends may visit with the family from 9:30 a.m. until the service Wednesday. Memorials may be made to the charity of one’s choice. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Geneva Miller

Geneva MILLER, 92, Peabody Retirement Community, North Manchester, formerly of Akron, died at 1:30 a.m. today at Peabody. Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

Wednesday, February 6, 2008

Geneva Miller

March 5, 1915 – Feb. 5, 2008

Geneva MILLER, 92, Peabody Retirement Community, North Manchester, and formerly of Akron, died at 1:30 a.m. Tuesday at Peabody. Born in Wabash County, she was the daughter of Charles A. and Eva May Shaw Ramsey. She married George J. Miller on April 25, 1936, at Chili. He passed away on Sept. 7, 2004.

A homemaker and member of Silver Creek Church of God, she loved the Lord and lived her life to serve Him. She was a wonderful Wife and Mother.

She is survived by two daughters, Janice and husband Bill Yeager, Akron, and Carolyn and husband Terry Shumaker,
Indianapolis; a son, Richard Miller, Mentone; seven grandchildren; 16
great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren. She was
preceded in death by a great-grandson; three sisters, Agnes Alexander,
Edith Merle Crumrine and Anna Marie Abner; and four brothers,
Paul, Verlin, Roscoe and Walter Ramsey.

Her funeral service will be at 11:30 a.m. Saturday at Silver
Creek Church of God, 6504 W. 1300 South, Silver Lake, with Pastor
Thomas Craig officiating. Burial will be at Silver Creek Cemetery,
Silver Lake. Visitation will be from 9:30 a.m. until the service.
Memorials may be made to Silver Creek Church of God.
Arrangements are entrusted to Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W.
Rochester St., Akron. Online condolences may be sent through

**Jesse Calvert**

Jesse CALVERT, 89, Rochester, died at 4:45 a.m. today at
Hickory Creek of Rochester.
Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home,
Rochester.

**Eldon F. Cowen**

Eldon F. COWEN, 86, of 18481 Nutmeg Road, Argos, died at
3:40 a.m. today at Miller’s Merry Manor, Culver.
Arrangements are pending at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home,
Argos.

**Thursday, February 7, 2008**

**Jesse J. ‘Bill’ Calvert**

Nov. 27, 1919 – Feb. 6, 2008

Jesse J. “Bill” CALVERT, 89, formerly of 1422 S. Park Road,
Rochester, died at 4:45 a.m. Wednesday at Hickory Creek of
Rochester.

Born in Fulton County, he was the son of Forrest A. and Susan
May Waltz Calvert. He was a lifetime resident of this community.

He worked as a U.S. Postal Service mail carrier and served in the U.S. Army during World War II.

He was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church, Rural Letter Carriers Association, Fulton County Campers Association and Rochester IOOF Lodge. He was a Boy Scout leader and former teacher for Win-A-Couple at church.

He enjoyed playing euchre, gardening and church activities. He especially enjoyed time with his family.

He is survived by a son, Marc Calvert and wife Julie, Rochester; five grandchildren, Lyndee Calvert of Wabash, Corey Calvert and wife Amy of Rochester, Chad Calvert and fiancée Jodi Dell of North Manchester, Jason Calvert and wife Christine of Rochester and Kyle Calvert and wife Laura of Rochester; 10 great-grandchildren; four sisters, Mary Rock of Tippecanoe, Carol Saenz of Mishawaka, Helen Enyart and husband Richard of Rochester and Barb Tullis and husband Bud of Rochester; numerous nieces and nephews; and a daughter-in-law, Shirley Calvert of Rochester. He was preceded in death by his parents; a son, Alan Calvert, on Sept. 29, 2006; a sister, Clara Reeser; and four brothers, Ralph, Jim, Pete and Robert Calvert.

His funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Pastor Buck Padilla officiating. Burial will be at Rochester IOOF Cemetery, where military graveside rites will be conducted by the LeRoy Shelton American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars. Friends may visit with the family from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday and one hour prior to the service. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

**Eldon Frank Cowen**

Eldon Frank COWEN, 86, of 18481 Nutmeg Road, Argos, died Wednesday at Miller’s Merry Manor, Culver.
Survivors include his wife, Betty J. Cowen, Argos; a daughter, Susan E. Cowen, Indianapolis; four sisters, Lida Norris, Marjorie Andersen, Betty Castleman, all of Argos, and Ruth Gordon, Plymouth. His funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Poplar Grove United Methodist Church, Culver, with visitation from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos, and one hour prior to the service at the church.

**Ethel L. Hayden**

Ethel L. HAYDEN, age 78, Demotte, passed away on Tuesday, Feb. 5, 2008.

She is survived by three daughters, Cindi (Cliff) Robinson of Demotte, Carolyn (Lee) Piske of Lowell and Roberta (Howard) Crepeau of White Lake, Mich.; four grandchildren; three stepgrandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; a brother-in-law, Robert Reed of Lowell; two sisters-in-law, Barbara Clifford of Arkansas and Marcia Roy of Rochester; and numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert; a sister, Janet Kay Reed; a brother, Cleo Roy.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Central time Friday at Sheets Funeral Home, 604 E. Commercial Ave., Lowell, with Pastor Charles Hochmuth officiating. Burial will follow at West Creek Cemetery, Lowell. Visitation will be from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Ethel was a cosmetologist instructor for Merrillville Beauty College/John Amico. She was a member of the Christian faith and a volunteer for Hope Hospice in Rochester. Raising her family was Ethel’s main activity.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Lowell Health Care Rehabilitation Center.

Friday, February 8, 2008

No Obituaries
Weldon ‘Wod’ Baker
April 4, 1935 – Feb. 8, 2008

Weldon “Wod” BAKER, 72, of 5290 E. 575 North, Rochester, died at 4:15 a.m. Friday at home.

Born in Piper City, Ill., he was the son of William Martin and Tressie Dehm Baker. A lifetime Rochester resident, he married Sara Jean Alderfer on Nov. 13, 1964, in Rochester. She preceded him in death on July 24, 1991.

In 2003, he retired from Maple Leaf Farms after working there for 20 years. A U.S. Army veteran, he served in Germany.

He loved to work in his garden and be outdoors. He also enjoyed tinkering on small engines in the garage.

Survivors include two daughters, Laurie Blankenship, Tippecanoe, and Julie Baker, Akron; a son, Andy Baker Tippecanoe; four grandchildren, Loren Lowe Jr., Tasha Martin, Monica Vick, LeeAnna Vick; two great-grandchildren; two sisters, Hazel Conwell, Rochester, and Betty Alderfer, California; and two brothers, Kenneth Baker Rochester, and Eugene “Curly” Baker, Rochester. He was also preceded in death by his parents; an infant son, William; two brothers, Leonard and Harry “Bud” Baker; and a companion, Lona Estep.

His funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with the Rev Junior Bose officiating. Burial will be at Richland Center Cemetery. Friends may visit with the family from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Monday and one hour prior to the service.

Billie W. Eaton

Billie W. EATON, 81, of 1107 Jackson Blvd., Rochester, formerly of Akron, died at 11:35 a.m. Friday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.
Charlotte E. Warner
Charlotte E. WARNER, 86, formerly of 17560 Maple Road, Argos, died at 10:23 a.m. Friday at Mason Health Care Center, Warsaw.
Arrangements are pending at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

Juanita L. Gibbs Johnson
Juanita L. Gibbs JOHNSON, 85, Logansport, died at 11 p.m. Wednesday in her residence.
Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m., Monday, in Fisher Funeral Chapel, with Rev. Doug Mankell officiating. Burial will be in Mount Hope Cemetery.
Friends may call from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, in Fisher Funeral Chapel.

Monday, February 11, 2008

Billie W. Eaton
April 7, 1927 – Feb. 8, 2008
Billie W. EATON, 80, of 1107 Jackson Blvd., Rochester, died at 11:35 a.m. Friday at Life Care Center, Rochester.
Born in Burket in Kosciusko county, he was the son of Harry T. and Zora Summe Eaton. On Nov. 20, 1950, he married Gloria A. “Dolly” Pontius, and she survives at home.
A maintenance man, he worked at Sonoco Products Co., Argos, for 30 years and was a town marshal. He also was a U.S. Army veteran.
He was a fan of NASCAR and especially of Jeff Gordon.
In addition to his wife, Gloria A. “Dolly” Eaton, he is survived by a daughter, Sherry Eaton, Rochester; a son, Larry Eaton, Rochester; four grandchildren, Rachelle Raines and Ryan, Kyle and Ashley Eaton; three great-grandchildren, Bryce and Emily Raines and David Wayne Andrews III; and a sister, Betty and husband Lee
Gearhart, Akron. He was preceded in death by three brothers, Emmett, Charles and Stewart Eaton.

There will be no funeral service. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society. Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, is handling arrangements.

Gale Foley

Gale FOLEY, 80, of 3549 E. 400 North, Rochester, died at 1:30 a.m. Saturday at Pilgrim Manor Nursing Home, Plymouth.

Born in Cass County, he was the son of Walter and Nellie Ferguson Foley. He lived in Rochester since he was 14 years old.


He was employed at General Tire & Rubber Company for 34 years and was also a grain and livestock farmer. He enjoyed hunting and fishing and took pride in his vegetable garden, sharing the bounty with friends and neighbors. He adored his granddaughter and his great-grandsons.

Survivors include a daughter, Nancy Hurley, Rochester; a granddaughter, Meranda Ritchie and husband Branden, Rochester; two great-grandchildren, Cody and Brayden Ritchie, Rochester; a sister, Clara Childress, Warsaw; and two brothers, Gene Foley and wife Mary, Rochester and Dale Foley, Grissom. He was also preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Thelma Yoder.

His funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with the Rev. Phil Pratt officiating. Burial will be at Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Friends may visit with the family from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday and one hour prior to the service. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Erma Jean Graham

Erma Jean GRAHAM, 82, of Greencroft Healthcare Center, Goshen, died at 9:40 p.m. Saturday at Greencroft Healthcare Center.
Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Frieda Maxine Moon**

Frieda Maxine MOON, 86, Twelve Mile, died Saturday at Miller’s Merry Manor, Logansport.

Survivors include two sons, Everett Allen Moon and Jerry Lee Moon of Twelve Mile; a daughter, Carmen Sue Carter, Russiaville; and a sister, Frances V. Beckley, Twelve Mile.

Her funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver, with visitation from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. today.

**Gerald J. Rouse**

Gerald J. ROUSE, 65, Rochester, died Feb. 3, in Cleveland, Ohio.

He is survived by his children, Robin Rouse, Christopher Rouse, Jamie Rouse; two brothers, Dennis Rouse and Anthony Rouse; and two sisters, Delois Rouse and Zina Mae.

There are no services. The Cremation Society of Ohio is handling arrangements.

**Violet I. Smoker**


Violet I. SMOKER, 91, of 1119 Sunset Drive, Celina, Ohio, formerly of Akron, died at 10:40 p.m. Friday at Laurels of Shane Hill, Rockford, Ohio.

Born in Kosciusko County, she was the daughter of Melvin Merl and Sadie Faun Jones Smith. On Feb. 1, 1934, in Warsaw, she married Doin M. Smoker. He passed away on Sept. 10, 2004.

A homemaker, she was involved in various 4-H and Farm Bureau activities. She also volunteered with the Red Cross Bloodmobile.

Survivors include a daughter, Merlee and husband Fred Heckathorn, Celina, Ohio; a brother, Devon Smith, Warsaw; nine grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren;
and a sister-in-law, Jean Smith, Warsaw. She was also preceded in
death by her parents; a son, Charles Smoker; a grandson, Brent; a
brother, Doyle Smith; and a daughter-in-law, Carolyn Smoker.

Her funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at Hartzler
Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Pastor Terry
Canfield officiating. Burial will be at Akron Cemetery. Visitation will
be from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home. Memorials may
be made to Akron Lions Club. Online condolences may be sent at

Charlotte E. Warner

Charlotte E. WARNER, 86, of 3762 W. Old U.S. 30, Warsaw,
formerly of Argos, died Friday at Mason Health Care Center,
Warsaw.

Survivors include her husband, Glenn B. Warner, Warsaw; four
daughters, Karen Smith, Warsaw, Marsha Holland, New Palestine,
Leah Johnson, Argos, and Denice Albertson, Warsaw; and a son, Jan
Burns Warner, North Manchester.

Her funeral service will be at 1 p.m. today at Earl-Grossman
Funeral Home, Argos, with visitation one hour prior to the service.

Mary Alice Watrous

Mary Alice WATROUS, 89, formerly of 313 W. 11th St.,
Rochester, died Saturday at Life Care Center.

Survivors include two daughters, Carol Shrader, Kewanna, and
Kay Harris, Huntington, and a son, Emory Watrous, Belleview, Fla.

Her funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at Good Family
Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Wednesday and one hour prior to the service.
Erma Jean Graham
April 21, 1925-Feb. 9, 2008

Erma Jean GRAHAM, 82, of 1300 Greencroft Drive, No. 42, Goshen, died at 9:40 p.m. Saturday at Greencroft Healthcare, Goshen.

Born in Leiters Ford, she was the daughter of Alpha M. and Ruth Newcomb Overmyer. In 1947, she married Robert Graham. He preceded her in death in 1989.

A homemaker, she volunteered at the hospital. She greatly enjoyed gardening, especially her flowers. She was an avid board game player, always waiting to challenge her family and friends.

Survivors include a daughter, Sandra Lyons and husband Ed, Titusville, Fla.; a son, Michael Graham, Walkerton; a grandson, Ed Lyons, Titusville, Fla.; a brother, Jim Overmyer, Mishawaka; cousins, Gerald Overmyer, Oxnard, Calif., and Cleon Overmyer, Silver Lake; and nieces, Julia Ecenbarger, Fort Wayne, and Janet Farias, Mishawaka. She was also preceded in death by her parents and a sister, Jackie Overmyer.

Private visitation and funeral services will be at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Pastor Charlene Harrison Allen officiating. Burial will be at Richland Center Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Gerald J. Rouse


Born in Oliver Springs, Tenn., Gerald was an outdoorsman who enjoyed reading and traveling with his family. He was employed for many years as a truck driver, and was a proud member of Teamster 142.

He is preceded in death by his parents, John and Zina, and wife, Carole. He is survived by his sons, Robin (Susan), Christopher and
Jamie (Mindy); brothers, Dennis (Delores) and Anthony (Carol); sisters, Delois and Zina Mae; and grandchildren Nicolaus, Erika, Evan, Lauren and Jacob. The family wishes to express their thanks for all friends and family for their prayers and encouragement. (ADAMS-MASON, 330-535-9186)

Omer J. Torrence
June 4, 1926-Feb. 12, 2008

Omer J. TORRENCE, 81, of 1334 Park Road, Rochester, passed away at 2:10 a.m. today at his residence.

He was born on June 4, 1926, in Peru, the son of Omer Adam and Alma I. (Warner) Torrence. On March 27, 1948, in Peru, he married Peggy J. Strominger. She preceded him in death on Aug. 28, 1990.

Mr. Torrence owned and operated Torrence Plumbing and Heating in Rochester for more than 40 years. He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II, a member of the American Legion, and had been a volunteer fireman for the Rochester Fire Department. He enjoyed playing cards, woodworking and eating out.

Survivors include his daughter, Carol and husband Robert Loebig, Rochester; son, Nick E. Torrence, North Hollywood, Calif.; grandchildren, Christy Stinson, Rochester, David Perdue and fiancee Jordon Schlosser, Rochester; and stepgrandchildren, Kim and husband Norm Benzing, Rochester, Robert Loebig II and wife Allison, Texas. He was preceded in death by his parents and sister, Dorothy Clifford.

Friends may call from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Private graveside services will be conducted at Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester. Memorial contributions may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County or the American Cancer Society. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.
Mary Alice Watrous  
Jan. 30, 1919-Feb. 9, 2008  

Mary Alice WATROUS, 89, formerly of 313 W. 11th St., Rochester, died at 6:20 p.m. Saturday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

Born in Elkhart, she was the daughter of Arthur and Alta Edington Barker. She graduated from Scott High School in Toledo, Ohio. Mary Alice moved to Rochester in 1957 from Union City, Pa. She also lived in Bellevue, Fla., for 23 years prior to returning to Rochester in 1995.

On July 26, 1941, in Lima, Ohio, she married James Daylin Watrous. He preceded her in death on Aug. 19, 1996.

Mary Alice was co-owner of the former Watrous Paint Store, Rochester, and retired in 1980 from Sears Company, West Palm Beach, Fla.

Mary Alice enjoyed a variety of crafting projects while residing in Florida. She helped a friend run her craft shop and many times participated in classes to learn new methods and crafts. Her forte was crocheting. Mary Alice fashioned many custom projects and dolls for her family and closest friends.

Important in Mary Alice's life was the First Christian Church, Rochester, where she volunteered in the office, assisting the secretary and helping wherever she was needed.

Mary Alice will be remembered as a devoted Mother and tender and loving Grandmother, always there to support her grandchildren and great-grandchildren in all of their aspirations and endeavors. She also leaves behind many friends and her acquired family at Life Care Center, whom she loved and cherished.

She is survived by two daughters, Carol Shrader and husband Ron, Kewanna, and Kay Harris and husband Butch, Huntington; a son, Emory Watrous and wife Betty, Bellevue, Fla.; five grandchildren, Troy Shriver and wife Janelle, Teresa Harsh and husband Michael, all of Rochester, Brian Kinley and wife Teresa, Brenda Kinley, all of Huntington, and Vicki Mudra and husband Mike, Cary, Ill.; and 10 great-grandchildren. Also preceding her in
death were her parents; a grandchild; two brothers; and her son-in-law, Ronnie Shriver, in October 2003.

A celebration of the life of Mary Alice Watrous will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at Good Family Funeral Home, with the Rev. Chris Dodson officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday and one hour before the service. Burial will be at Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Preferred memorials, in lieu of flowers, may be made to the Life Care Center Activity Fund. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Elizabeth Warner Young

Elizabeth Warner YOUNG, 87, Indianapolis, formerly of Twelve Mile, died at 1:55 p.m. Monday at Northwest Manor, Indianapolis.

Arrangements are pending at McClain Funeral Home, Denver.

Wednesday, February 13, 2008

Lyle E. Disney

Lyle E. DISNEY, 79, Rochester, formerly of Terre Haute, died Tuesday at Woodlawn Hospital.

His funeral service will be at 3 p.m. Friday at Callahan & Hughes Funeral Home, Terre Haute, with visitation from 1 p.m. until the service.

Thursday, February 14, 2008

No Obituaries
Bud W. Krohn Sr.
Bud W. KROHN Sr., 81, of 4640 E. 50 South, Winamac, died at 4:30 a.m. Wednesday at Pulaski Memorial Hospital, Winamac.

Born in Cedar Lake to Charles and Clara Reichert Krohn, he was an active farmer. On July 31, 1948, he married Dorothy Rose Frasa in Winamac. She died Nov. 30, 2003.

He served on the ASCS board as a township committeeman for many years, was a member of Winamac Masonic Lodge No. 262, and on Fulton County REMC board of directors for 12 years. He was Harrison Township trustee for eight years, a Pulaski County Commissioner for 12 years, and a Republican precinct committeeman and active volunteer for the Republican Party for many years. He served as Pulaski County Highway Superintendent for several years and was a member of the Pulaski County School Board when Eastern Pulaski Schools were formed. A member of the Pulaski County 4-H Fair Board, he was an avid supporter of 4-H for more than 48 years. He encouraged his children and grandchildren as they participated in 4-H.

He enjoyed attending Purdue University athletic events with his grandchildren and loved to attend and participate in antique tractor pulls. His greatest joys in life were his family and farming.

brother, William (Libby) Krohn, a sister, Clara Mae "Babe" (Bill) Locke, and a brother-in-law, Frank Eiler, all of Winamac. He was preceded in death by his parents; a great-granddaughter, Addison Krohn; and two sisters, Florence Klampe and Dorothy Eiler.

His funeral service will be at 1 p.m. Sunday at Frain Mortuary, Winamac, with the Rev. Edward Clark officiating. Burial will be at McKinley Memorial Gardens Cemetery, Winamac. Visitation will be from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday. Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association or American Cancer Society. Messages of sympathy may be sent to the family at www.frainmortuary.com.

Saturday, February 16, 2008

Delores Snavley

Delores SNAVLEY, 85, Idaville, died Friday at home.
Survivors include two daughters, Sue Ann Shaw, Winamac, and Sandi Kay Swetnam, Robinson, Texas.
Her funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Royal Center, with visitation from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday.

Lois Lemler

Lois LEMLER, 101, Mentone, passed away at Miller’s Merry Manor, Warsaw.
Arrangements are pending at King Memorial Home, Mentone.

Charlotte Sue Holden

Charlotte Sue HOLDEN, 46, Peru, passed away at 2:30 a.m. Friday at Howard Regional Health Systems, Kokomo.
Survivors include her husband, Greg Holden; a son, Shane Gregory Holden, at home; her parents Bill and Margaret Leffel, Peru; and a brother, Phillip Leffel.
Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday at McClain Funeral Home, 3500 West State Rd. 16, Denver.
Friends may call from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Monday at the funeral home.

Monday, February 18, 2008

Sharon K. Gilbert
Sharon K. GILBERT, 69, of 8027 W. 900 South, Akron, died at 7 a.m. Sunday at home.
Arrangements are pending at King Memorial Home, Mentone.

Lois Lemler
Jan. 21, 1907-Feb. 15, 2008
Mrs. Lois LEMLER, 101, formerly of Mentone, died at 4:57 p.m. Friday at Miller's Merry Manor, Warsaw.
Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints. Psalm 116:15
Born in Newville, she was the daughter of Silas M. and Cora Belle Cauffman Hill.
On Sept. 2, 1923, in Bourbon, she and Fred D. Lemler were married by her father, Rev. S. M. Hill.
She moved to Mentone from Nappanee in 1926. She and her husband owned and operated L&B Foods in Mentone for 43 years. Her husband preceded her in death on Jan. 24, 1979.
Mrs. Lemler was a member of Mentone First Baptist Church, where she was an active choir member and pianist. She was a past worthy matron of the Mentone Order of Eastern Star and a member of the Scrambled Egg Band and the Mentone Reading Club. She was noted as having a saying for everything.
Survivors include two daughters, Phyllis (and the late Wayne) Bowser, Mentone, and Leah Nell and husband Stan Yeiter, Atwood; a half sister, Mrs. John (Marjorie) Knecht, North Manchester; seven grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; and 21 great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her stepmother, Gertrude Johnson Hill; a brother, Ellis Hill; and two sisters, Cloe Whitman and Mildred Krider.
Her funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at Mentone First Baptist Church, 301 N. Broadway St., with Pastors Sam Yeiter, Charles Swihart and Michael Wilhite officiating. Burial will be at Mentone Cemetery. Visitation will be from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone. Memorials may be made to Mentone First Baptist Church or the donor's choice. Online condolences: www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

Charlotte Jean Stratton
Charlotte Jean STRATTON, 75, of 604 N. Sycamore St., North Manchester, and formerly of Athens, died at 1:20 a.m. today at Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw.

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

Tuesday, February 19, 2008

Sharon K. Gilbert
Aug. 29, 1938-Feb. 17, 2008
Sharon Kay GILBERT, 69, of 8027 W. 900 South, Akron, died at 7 a.m. Sunday at her residence.
Born on Aug. 29, 1938, in Fulton County, she was the daughter of Samuel and Yvonne O'Dell Ware. Before becoming ill, she was employed as a cashier for more than 14 years at Wal-Mart in Warsaw.
Surviving are three daughters, Leslie and husband Roger Morrow, Beaver Dam Lake, (Akron), Rhonda and husband Waleed Sharbini, Aurora, Colo., and Jennifer Senff, Marshall, Ill.; five grandsons and five granddaughters; two great-grandsons, three great-granddaughters and a stepgreat-granddaughter; four sisters, Joyce and husband John Sexton, Mentone, Nancy Owens, Warsaw, Dawn and husband Charles Walton, Avon Park, Fla., and Sharlene and husband Jerry Ross, Mentone. She was preceded in death by her parents, a son and a great-granddaughter.
Her funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday with visitation 30 minutes before the service at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone. Burial will be at Mentone Cemetery following the service. The family requests that, in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 6324 Constitution Drive, Fort Wayne, IN 46804. Online condolences can be sent at www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

Lee T. Howe
April 23, 1963-Feb. 4, 2008

Lee T. HOWE, 44, of 10382 Tiburon Drive, Florence, Ky., formerly of Winamac, died at 4:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 4, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center Hospice, Edgewood, Ky.

Born in Winamac, he was the son of Jerry and Mary Ash Howe. He graduated from Winamac Community High School in 1981 and from Ball State University in 1986.

A controller for Duke Energy, Cincinnati, Ohio, he was employed by Duke for more than 22 years.

He was a member and treasurer of Florence (Ky.) United Methodist Church, and a member and coach in the Boone County Knothole Little League. He also coached Little League baseball in Winamac.

He lived in Florence for the past several years and also lived in Indianapolis.

Survivors include his wife, Julie Johnson Howe, Florence, Ky.; a daughter, Ashlee Howe, and son, Andrew Howe, both of Florence, Ky.; his father and stepmother, Jerry (JoAnn) Howe, Winamac; a twin brother, Don (Sue) Howe, Winamac, and two brothers, Rob (Connie) Howe, Winamac, and Mike (Sherri) Howe, Rockmart, Ga.; a stepsister, Julie (Dan) Middleton, Silver Lake; and a stepbrother, Jeff (Starr) Hoffman, Kewanna. He was preceded in death by his mother, Mary Ash Howe.

A memorial service will be at 4 p.m. Saturday at Frain Mortuary, Winamac. Friends may call from 2 p.m. until the service. Memorials may be made to ALS Research c/o University of
Charlotte Jean STRATTON, 75, of 604 N. Sycamore St., North Manchester, formerly of Athens, passed away at 1:20 a.m. Monday at Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw.

She was born on March 12, 1932, in Macy, the daughter of William W. and Florence Ruth (Harding) Ballenger. On April 8, 1949, in Rochester, she married Kenneth Allan Stratton. He preceded her in death on Feb. 3, 1973.

Mrs. Stratton worked for the U.S. Postal Service for more than 25 years, working as Postmaster for the Athens, Ind., Post Office. She attended the Rochester Church of the Nazarene.

Survivors include her daughters, Charlene K. and husband Kevin Young, North Manchester, Barbara and husband Norman Fuchs, Angola; son, Walter and wife Betty Stratton, Guam; 10 grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild. She was preceded in death by her sister, Helen Jones; brother, Charles Robert Ballenger; and her parents.

Her funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with the Rev. J.P. Freeman officiating. Friends may call from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday and one hour prior to the service. Burial will be in the Athens Cemetery, Athens. Memorial contributions may be made to Riley Children's Hospital. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

Wednesday, February 20, 2008

No Obituaries
Ruby Mae (Rhodes) Bearss

Ruby Mae (Rhodes) BEARSS, 72, Berne, died at 8:15 p.m. Tuesday at Bluffton Regional Hospital, Bluffton.

Born in Elkhart, she was the daughter of Herbert and Mary Rhodes. On Aug. 17, 1958, in Osceola, she married Gresham "Bud" Bearss, who survives in Berne.

A teacher and a homemaker, she enjoyed painting, reading, knitting and gardening. She was a member of First Missionary Church of Berne. She served as a volunteer advocate/counselor for 19 years at A Hope Center, Fort Wayne. She also volunteered with Swiss Heritage Village.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by three daughters, Laura Gene (Jim) Umpleby of Elkhart, Kristi Diane Bearss of Spring Hill, Tenn., and Barbara Elaine Bearss of Chicago; five grandchildren, Timothy, Tyler, Kyrsten and Karis Umpleby and Malachi Reid; two brothers, Donald Rhodes, Grass Valley, Calif., and David Rhodes, Mishawaka; and two sisters, Mildred Steely, South Bend, and Etta Marie Obringer, Goshen.

Her funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Friday at First Missionary Church, U.S. 27 South, Berne, with Pastor Kris McPherson of First Missionary Church officiating. Burial will be at MRE Cemetery. Visitation will be from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. today at the church. Memorials may be made to A Hope Center, Fort Wayne, and The Hope Clinic, Berne.

George C. Feidner

George C. FEIDNER, 77, Medaryville, died Wednesday at Pulaski Memorial Hospital, Winamac. Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Royal Center.
Gary Richardson

Gary RICHARDSON, 55 of 1100 Park Road, No. 69, died at 3 p.m. Wednesday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Florence E. Small

Florence E. SMALL, 95, Royal Center, died Wednesday at home.

Survivors include a son, David H. Schroder, Logansport.

Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Indian Creek Christian Cemetery, Lucerne. Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Friday at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Royal Center.

Friday, February 22, 2008

Charles A. Crippen

Aug. 17, 1926-Feb. 21, 2008

Charles A. CRIPPEN, 81, of 2779 N. 600 East, Rochester, died at 10:15 a.m. Thursday at home.

Born in Cass County, he was the son of Daugherty K. and Marie Cornell Crippen. Chuck graduated from Grass Creek High School. On June 2, 1946, at Grass Creek, he married Corabelle Kistler, and she survives.

He was a dairy farmer until becoming owner of Athens Oliver Implement Dealership in 1957. He was a longtime member of Bethlehem Baptist Church.

In addition to his wife, Corabelle Crippen, at home, he is survived by two daughters, Kathleen and husband Bob Sutton, Rochester, and Lorie and husband David Hurst, Rochester; five grandchildren, Kenneth Hurst, William and wife Kimberly Hurst, Terry Hurst, Rob and wife Laura Sutton and Amy Sutton; and two great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a son, Charles Leon Crippen, and two brothers, Leroy and Leon Crippen.
His funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with the Revs. Phil Pratt and Junior Bose officiating. Burial will be at Richland Center Cemetery, northwest of Rochester. Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to Gideons International, Hope Hospice of Fulton County and Bethlehem Baptist Church. Online condolences: www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

George C. Feidner

George C. FEIDNER, 77, Medaryville, died Wednesday at Pulaski Memorial Hospital, Winamac.

Survivors include his wife, Betty J. Feidner, Medaryville; a daughter, Debbie S. Beyers, Clermont, Fla., a son, Kevin L. Feidner, Hammond, a daughter, Dionna M. Huston, LaPorte, and a son James D. Feidner, Hobart; five sisters and three brothers.

His funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Royal Center, with visitation from 11 a.m. until the service.

Phyllis A. Nette

Phyllis A. NETTE, 75, Life Care Center of Rochester, formerly of 11219 E. 50 North, Akron, died Thursday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Survivors include three daughters, Patti Swihart, Gilead, Lori Cox, Akron, and Dianna Powell, Plymouth; two sons, Robert Nette, Akron, and Jeffrey Nette, Milford; a sister, Barbara Rudo, Akron; and four brothers, Bernard Holloway, Palestine, Dean Holloway, Rochester, Don Holloway and Rodney Holloway of Warsaw.

Her funeral service will be at 1 p.m. Sunday at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron, with visitation from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home.
Gary Richardson  

Gary RICHARDSON, 55, of 1100 Park Road, No. 69, Rochester, died at 3 p.m. Wednesday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.  

Born in Rochester, he was the son of Leonard Earl and Phyllis Smith Barrett. He lived in Orlando, Fla., and moved back to Rochester in 1988. He never married.  

He was a paper carrier for The Rochester Sentinel and The South Bend Tribune for a number of years.  

He loved gardening, especially flowers. Roses were his favorite. He also enjoyed cookouts, family gatherings and watching scary movies.  

Survivors include his mother, Phyllis Barrett, Rochester; two sisters, Kathryn L. Mounts and husband Joseph and Cindy Sue Schaeffner of Rochester; a brother, Charles Albert Richardson, Rochester; two stepsisters, LaWanda Gail See and Earl Annette White and husband Ricky of Rochester; and his beloved feline companion, Smokey. He was preceded in death by his father, on June 23, 1993.  

Private family services will take place. Arrangements are by Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Saturday, February 23, 2008

Lillian R. Hutchins  

Lillian R. HUTCHINS, formerly of the Talma area, died Saturday, Feb. 16 at the home of her son, Richard Newman Jr., Plymouth.  

She is also survived by a brother, Paul R. Ridenour, Sevierville, Tenn., and a sister, Dorothy Dague, Kokomo.  

Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, is handling arrangements.
Quentin Brower
Aug. 6, 1920 - Feb. 22, 2008
Quentin BROWER, 87, formerly of rural Macy, died at 6:15 a.m. Friday at Wabash County Hospital.
Born in Miami County, he was the son of Avery Brower and Orpha Bowen Smith. On Oct. 14, 1939 he married Dorothy Jean Mang, and she survives.
He graduated from Deedsville High School in 1938. He was a member of Deedsville United Methodist Church and was an avid fisherman.
In addition to his wife Dorothy Jean Mang, he is survived by a daughter, Penny Mae and husband Bobby Clemons of Macy; three grandchildren, Darrel and wife Ruby Clemons, Keller, Texas; Don Clemons, South Bend and Linnea and husband Robert Myers, Jr., Twelve Mile; and four great-grandchildren, Justin, Kristin, Joshua and Alexis; one brother, Larry and wife Geraldine Bower, Macy; two sisters, Lela and husband Lyle Deeds, Macy, Vera and husband Martin Green, Converse. He was preceded in death by his parents, a brother, Berl Bower and a sister Mabel Patty.
His funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Monday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third Street, Peru, with Pastor William Babb III officiating. Friends may call from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

T. Lucile Meredith
Dec. 21, 1922 - Feb. 22, 2008
T. Lucile MEREDITH, 96, formerly of Akron, died at 10:30 a.m. Friday at Bethany Pointe Health Campus, Anderson.
Born in Howard County, she was the daughter of Henry Schafer and Melissa Barnhisel. She graduated from Akron High School in 1930. On June 24, 1934 she married Lonzo D. Meredith, who preceded her in death on Dec. 29, 1994.
She had worked in the Akron school cafeteria for 26 years and was also a homemaker.
She taught Sunday school at the Akron United Methodist Church for 50 years and was a member of the church for over 60 years. She was also a member of the Amicus Club.

Survivors include a daughter, Mary Ann and husband Robert Gardner, Ft. Wayne; two granddaughters, Denise Paramore and Dr. Angie King; two great-grandchildren, Nick and Julia Paramore and a sister Mary Hines VanSlyke, Pendleton.

She was preceded in death by her husband, parents and half-brother, Garland Kline.

Her funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron with the Rev. Harold L. Leininger officiating. Burial will be at Akron Cemetery.

Friends may visit from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 West Rochester Street, Akron.

Memorial contributions may be made to Bethany Pointe Health Campus Anderson, or Akron United Methodist Church.

On-line condolences may be made at www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com

Monday, February 25, 2008

Mildred Gropp
Mildred "Millie" GROPP, 79, Hudson, died Saturday at home.
Survivors include two daughters, Catherine Gropp, Mishawaka, and Ruth Singleton, Wolcottville; a son, Mark Gropp, Wolcottville; and a brother, Richard Dorn, Buchanan, Mich.
Her funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at St. Mary's of the Angels Catholic Church, rural Hudson. Visitation will be from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday at Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange.

Marie Miller
Marie MILLER, 85, Life Care Center of Rochester, died at 11:20 p.m. Saturday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.
Tricia Marie Simpson Russell

Tricia Marie Simpson RUSSELL, 46, Valparaiso, passed away Saturday, succumbing to injuries suffered in an auto accident on Oct. 27, 2007.

Tricia was born on Dec. 18, 1961, in Lake Forest, Ill., to Marvin and Bernadette (Dreyer) Simpson of Valparaiso, who survive.

A 1980 graduate of Rochester High School and a graduate of Purdue University, West Lafayette, she was a registered nurse who worked at St. Elizabeth Hospital, Lafayette, Porter Memorial Hospital, Valparaiso, and most recently, VNA of Porter County, Valparaiso.

She is survived by sons, Joseph, 12, and Thomas, 8, of Valparaiso; a sister, Pamela (Dan) Hood of Valparaiso; brothers, Michael (Sharon) Simpson of Valparaiso and Lt. Col. Daniel (Alicia) Simpson, M.D., of Silver Spring, Md.; a nephew, Cpl. Alexander Hood, USMC, Iraq; and nieces, Kathryn Hood of West Lafayette, Maria, Louisa, Sophia and Gabriella Simpson of Silver Spring, Md.; and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. She was preceded in death by her grandparents and a nephew, Benjamin Hood.

Following prayer at 10:30 a.m., Central time, Wednesday at Dykes Funeral Home, 2305 N. Campbell St., Valparaiso, a funeral procession will travel to St. Paul Catholic Church, 1855 Harrison Blvd., Valparaiso, for an 11 a.m. funeral mass with Msgr. John J. Charlebois officiating. Interment will be at St. Paul Cemetery, Valparaiso. Friends may call from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home. A wake service will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the VNA of Porter County or the Boys and Girls Clubs of Porter County. Arrangements by Dykes Funeral Home Inc., 219-462-3125.

Lily B. Sult
May 25, 1918-Feb. 23, 2008

Lily B. SULT, 89, of 4787 School St., Leiters Ford, died at 6:53 a.m. Saturday at Miller's Merry Manor, Culver.
Born in Marshall County, she was the daughter of Wallace and Mary (Conrad) McGowen.


A homemaker, she was a former member of Leiters Ford United Methodist Church and Mt. Hope Church. While attending Mt. Hope, she took joy in teaching the primary Sunday School class.

Lily expressed herself through the poetry she wrote and by painting on canvas.

She is survived by two daughters, Mary Ellen Ryon and husband Dave, Dayton, Ohio, and Joan B. Hodson and husband David, Peru; a son, John Sult and wife Amy, Culver; eight grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren. She was also preceded in death by a brother, Clarence McGowen.

A celebration of the life of Mrs. Lily B. Sult will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Mt. Hope United Methodist Church, with Pastor Bob Metzger officiating. Friends may visit with the family one hour prior to her service. Burial will be at Leiters Ford Cemetery. Preferred memorials may be made to Mt. Hope United Methodist Church at the church or the funeral home.

Good Family Funeral Home has been entrusted with her services. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Tuesday, February 26, 2008

Marilyn J. Kirby
Nov. 8, 1938-Feb. 21, 2008

Marilyn J. KIRBY, 69, Fort Wayne, died Thursday at home.

Born in Chicago, Ill., she graduated from Rochester High School in 1956, and from International Business College in 1957. She was an insurance agent with Smith Sawyer Smith, Rochester, for more than 35 years.
She is survived by a daughter, Kathy (Mark) Hisey, Fort Wayne; a son, Harold E. Kirby Jr., Fort Wayne; grandchildren, Matthew and Lauren Hisey; a sister, Joyce Bascom, Tampa, Fla.; nieces, Barbara (Paul) Luhman and children, Abiquiu, N.M., and Julia LaShure and Dylan, Tamarac, Fla.; and a nephew, Randall Bascom and son, Tampa, Fla. She was preceded in death by her parents, Frank and Pearl Gluck.

She was a dedicated Mother, Grandmother and dog lover.
Preferred memorials may be made to Anthony Wayne Services.
There will be no services. Arrangements are by Hockemeyer & Miller Funeral Home, Fort Wayne.

Marie Miller

Marie MILLER, 85, Rochester, died Saturday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.
Survivors include one son, Jerry Miller, Cambridge, Ohio; one daughter, Sandra Sheppard, Plymouth; and three sisters, Mildred Nutter, Spencer, W.Va., Cloris Metz and Della Wise, both of Barberton, Ohio; and one brother, John W. Hall Jr., Weston, W.Va.
Her funeral service will be at 1 p.m. Thursday at Addy Funeral Home, Newcomerstown, Ohio, with visitation from 11 a.m. until the service. Local arrangements were handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

Wednesday, February 27, 2008

Lillian R. Ridenour Hutchins

April 22, 1929-Feb. 16, 2008

Lillian R. (Ridenour) HUTCHINS, formerly of South Bend and the Talma area, went home to be with her Savior on Saturday morning, Feb. 16, 2008. She passed away at the home of her son, Richard Newman, Jr., of Plymouth, Ind. She had been under Hospice Care for a short time, but had been in failing health for two years.
She was born Lillian Rose Ridenour April 22, 1929, in Kokomo, Ind., the daughter of Thomas N. and Pearl (Swisher)
Ridenour. She graduated from Talma High School in 1947. She married Richard C. Newman in April 1948. She later married Duane Hutchins.

She lived in Tampa, Fla., from 1978 until 2005. She was employed by CitiCorp in Tampa until her retirement in 1990. She had also previously lived in Illinois and Minnesota. She enjoyed crossword puzzles and word puzzles. She also liked listening to the Big Band music.

She is survived by her son, Richard C. Newman, II, and wife Christine, of Plymouth; three grandsons and three great-grandsons and one great-granddaughter; a brother Paul R. Ridenour, Sevierville, Tenn.; and a sister, Dorothy and husband William Dague, Kokomo, Ind. She was preceded in death by her parents and two brothers, Everett Ridenour in 1932 and Morris Ridenour in 2006.

Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home assisted with the arrangements.

Rev. Maurice E. Kessler

Rev. Maurice E. KESSLER 93, Timbercrest Retirement Community, North Manchester, formerly of Akron, died at 12:01 a.m. today at Timbercrest.

Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron

Mary J. Knight

Mary J. KNIGHT, 81, of 5961 E. 350 South, Rochester, died at 3:45 a.m. today at Hickory Creek of Rochester.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Thursday, February 28, 2008

Diana R. DeWitt

Diana R. DeWITT, 73, Logansport, died Tuesday at Woodbridge Health Campus.
Survivors include two sons, Kevin M. and Kirk D. Swartzell of Logansport and two daughters, Lisa C. Smith, Logansport, and Laura R. Benson, Royal Center.

There is no visitation. Services are private. Marocco Funeral Chapel, Logansport, is handling arrangements.

**Rev. Maurice E. Kessler**

Oct. 12, 1914-Feb. 27, 2008

The Rev. Maurice E. KESSLER 93, Timbercrest Senior Living Community, North Manchester, formerly of Akron, died at 12:01 a.m. Wednesday at Timbercrest.

Born in Grand Rapids, Mich., he was the son of Erven and Cora (Bassett) Kessler. He graduated from Columbia City High School in 1933. In 1934, he received a Rector Scholarship for four years to DePauw University, where he graduated cum laude in 1938.


He graduated from the Boston University School of Theology in 1941 and served United Methodist Churches in the Northern Indiana Conference and retired in 1980 after serving for 44 years. He served these churches: Bethel United Methodist Church, Anderson; Carmel United Methodist Church; Warren United Methodist Church; Upland United Methodist Church; Bunker Hill United Methodist Church; Akron United Methodist Church; Elwood Grace United Methodist Church; Muncie High Street United Methodist Church; Frankton United Methodist Church; Culver Emmanuel United Methodist Church; Roanoke United Methodist Church. After retirement, he was the Pastor Emeritus at the Akron United Methodist Church.

He was a member of the Akron Lions Club and the Astronomical Club in Warsaw.

He had the highest license in the federal government as an amateur ham radio operator. In 1991, he received his 60-year pin. His call letters were NM9K.
Survivors include two daughters, Alona and husband Randall Leininger, Akron, and Miriam and husband Stephen Sumner, Anderson; four grandchildren, Karl and wife Melanie Leininger, Zionsville, Lael and husband Chris DuBois, Plainfield, Chad and wife Cassie Sumner, Fishers, and Julie Sumner, Anderson; and four great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a sister, Mabel Cretcher, and two brothers, Lewis and Arthur Kessler.

His funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Akron United Methodist Church, 121 N. Mishawaka St., Akron, with the Rev. Harold L. Leininger and the Rev. Karen Ottjes officiating. Entombment will be at Muncie Gardens of Memory Cemetery, Muncie. Visitation will be from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Friday at Timbercrest Senior Living Community, 2201 East St., North Manchester, and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. Friday at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, and 30 minutes before the service Saturday at the church. Online condolences: www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

Mary J. Knight
Mary J. KNIGHT, 81, of 5961 E. 350 South, Rochester, died Wednesday at Hickory Creek of Rochester.
Survivors include a daughter, Frances Eltzroth, Wabash; a son, Ernest Knight Jr., Athens; and a brother, Bud Cunningham, Plymouth.
Her funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation one hour prior to the service.

Paul E. White
Paul E. WHITE, 101, of 401 N. Mishawaka St., Akron, died at 2:30 a.m. today at home.
Arrangements are pending at King Memorial Home, Mentone.

Carl D. Zolman
Carl D. ZOLMAN, 90, Mentone, died at 4:30 a.m. today at Miller’s Merry Manor, Warsaw.
Arrangements are pending at King Memorial Home, Mentone.

Friday, February 29, 2008

**Lawrence 'Larry' Inglehearn**
Nov. 9, 1938-Feb. 27, 2008

Lawrence "Larry" INGLEHEARN, 69, Peru, died at 7:30 a.m. Wednesday at his residence.

A retired carpenter, he was born in Philadelphia, Pa., the son of Lawrence and Alice (Founds) Inglehearn.

He served in the U.S. Army from 1957 to 1960.

Survivors include his companion, Colette Sidwell; three sons, Curtis Inglehearn and wife Jude, Eric Inglehearn and wife Cheryl of Peru, and Michael Inglehearn and wife Sandy of Rochester; a daughter, Theresa Tibbits and husband Mike of Nevada; six grandchildren, Preston, Angelea, Michael, William, Cameron and Ethan; a brother, Jack Inglehearn of New Jersey; and three sisters, Marie Pilkowski of Peru, Carol Burns and Lora Mickles of Pennsylvania. His parents preceded him in death.

There will be a celebration of Larry's life at 1 p.m. Saturday at the home of his son, Eric, 2533 S. Wallick Road, Peru. Arrangements are by Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, Peru.

**Paul E. White**

Paul E. WHITE, 101, of 401 N. Mishawaka St., Akron, died at 2:30 a.m. Thursday at his residence.

Born on Dec. 23, 1906, in Marion County, he was the son of Allen and Anna Christian White. He was a mechanic, welder and farmer and had various other occupations.

He was a U.S. Army veteran who served in World War II. He was a member of Leroy Shelton American Legion Post No. 36 and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 1343 of Rochester.

He attended Akron Church of God, where he had been an active driver in the bus ministry.

He belonged to the Akron Lions Club, Independent Order of Odd Fellows Lodge in Delphi, the Indiana State Police Auxiliary, and the Masonic Lodge of Cutler.

Survivors include a daughter, Corita and husband John Belyea, Grand Bay-Westfield, New Brunswick, Canada, and Riverview, Fla.; a son, Karl White, Akron; seven grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; 23 great-great-grandchildren; a stepdaughter, Mary Lou and husband Charles Staton, Akron; a stepson, Phillip and wife Carolyn Eber, Ossian. He was preceded in death by two daughters, Kay Marie and Alwilda; two sons, Phillip and George; three brothers and six sisters.

His funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Monday at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Pastor Terry Canfield officiating. Military rites will be conducted at the funeral home by the American Legion and VFW after the service. Burial will be at Crownland Cemetery, Noblesville. Visitation will be from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to Akron Lions Club or Hope Hospice of Fulton County. Online condolences: www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

**Earl L. Smith**

June 25, 1932-Feb. 27, 2008

Earl L. SMITH, 75, rural Macy, died at 2:18 p.m. Wednesday at Dukes Memorial Hospital, Peru.

A retired farmer, he lived in Miami County all of his life. He was born in Butler Township of Miami County to William and Elsie (Rentzel) Smith. He graduated from Chili High School in 1950.

On Oct. 9, 1957, he married Doris Hunt, and she survives.
He was a member of Center Chapel First Brethren Church, Macy Masonic Lodge, Peru Maennerchor, Deedsville Odd Fellows Lodge, and Pioneer Power of North Central Indiana tractor club.

He loved mushroom hunting, fishing and playing cards at the maennerchor. He liked antique tractors and collected 1/16 scale Allis Chalmers tractors.

Survivors also include a son, William E. Smith and wife Lynette, Chili; two daughters, Anne Hart and husband Paul, Macy, and Becky White, Chili; 11 grandchildren, Alicia Hart and fiance Paul Pe of Logansport, Zach Hart and wife Stacia of Silver Lake, Samuel Hart of Macy, Thomas and Rylie White, Carrie Anne Smith, Lee and Donnie Hall and Mary Werner and husband Adam of Chili; a brother, Roy Smith and wife Iris, rural Macy; and a sister, Joann Denny, Converse. He was preceded in death by his parents; two sons, Mark David Smith and Robert Gene Smith; three brothers and eight sisters.

His funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru, with Pastor Al Peck officiating. Friends may call from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. today at the funeral home; a Masonic service will be at 8 p.m. today. Burial will be at Chili Cemetery, Chili. Memorials may be made to muscular dystrophy.

Carl D. Zolman
April 28, 1917-Feb. 28, 2008

Carl D. ZOLMAN, 90, of 514 S. Franklin St., Mentone, died at 4:30 a.m. Thursday at Miller's Merry Manor, Warsaw, where he was a resident less than a day. He was in failing health for a month.

Born in Warsaw, he was the son of Willard and Maude Townsend Zolman. A lifetime resident of Mentone, he was a farmer, truck driver and a grain hauler. He also drove a school bus for Beaver Dam School.

He was married to Emma W. Kepler on May 2, 1942, in Mentone. She preceded him in death on Feb. 14, 1997.

He enjoyed the outdoors and adored his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He also enjoyed keeping a perfect yard.
Survivors include two sons, John and wife Sue Zolman and Jerry and wife Connie Zolman of Mentone; seven grandchildren, Chris, Chad and Aaron Zolman, Tina Clark, Amy Cohagan, Alissa Trippiedi, Angie Reed; and 13 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a daughter and son, who both died as infants; two brothers, Emerson and Wayne Zolman; a sister, Elsie Mock; a grandson and a great-grandson.

His funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone, with visitation from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday. Burial will be at Mentone Cemetery, Mentone. Memorial contributions may be made to Mentone EMS. Online condolences: www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

Saturday, March 1, 2008

No Obituaries

Monday, March 3, 2008

**LeRoy Jay Conklin**

LeRoy Jay CONKLIN, 84, Rochester, died at 12:15 a.m. today at Memorial Hospital, Logansport.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Janet L. Loveless**

Janet L. LOVELESS, 53, Fulton, died at 2:58 a.m. Sunday at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Martha 'Alice' Mills**

July 12, 1920-March 1, 2008

Martha "Alice" MILLS, 87, Peru, died at 6:39 p.m. Saturday at Woodbridge Health Campus, Logansport.
She was born in Wabash to John Charles Knee and Christina (Clevenger) Knee.


She retired from the Meat Mart, Fifth and Benton streets, Peru, and was a member of Oakdale Baptist Church.

Survivors include a son, Charles Binkerd and wife Marjorie, Mexico; a daughter, Shirley Haffner and husband John, Denver; six grandchildren, Chuck Binkerd and wife Becca of Marion, Becky Aspinwall and husband Joe of Denver, Mike Binkerd and wife Lorraine of Fort Wayne, Don Haffner and wife Linda of Springfield, Mo., Dianne Hayes and husband Wayne of Logansport, and Rhonda Hunter and husband Tom, Denver; great-grandchildren, Joe Binkerd of Maitland, Fla., Nicole Binkerd of Orlando, Fla. Celeste and Victoria Binkerd of Fort Wayne, Steven and Alex Aspinwall of Denver, Melissa and Joe Haffner of Springfield, Mo., Ben Bond of Bunker Hill, Brian Bond, Iraq, Shawn and Kristy Haffner of Denver and Taralynn of Peru; one great-great-granddaughter; and a sister, Charlene Chajkowski, New Cumberland, Pa. She was also preceded in death by her parents; a brother, Charles H. Knee; and two great-great-grandchildren.

Her funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, Peru, with Pastors Robert Stuck and Bruce Russell officiating. Burial will be at Mt. Hope Cemetery, Peru. Friends may call from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the Wabash-Miami County Home Health Care & Hospice.

Zeno William Schultz
Sept. 7, 1923-Feb. 29, 2008

Zeno William SCHULTZ, 84, of 1853 S. Indiana 19, Akron, died unexpectedly at 5:45 p.m. Friday at his daughter's Macy residence.

Born in Wabash County, he was the son of William Jayhawker Schultz and Cleo Ellen Shambaugh Schultz. He graduated from
Laketon High School and served in the U.S. Air Corps during World War II.

He married Patricia Lou Alger on Aug. 22, 1954, in Springville, and she survives. He farmed and hauled livestock. He attended Akron Church of God.

In addition to his wife, Patty Schultz, Akron, he is survived by three daughters, Charlotte and husband Duane Hammond, Akron, Mary Jo and husband John Riffle, Macy, and Jo Ellen Dunn and companion Scott Seagrave, Columbia City; eight grandchildren, Arissa Hammond, Vanessa Hammond, Trevor Hammond, Andrea Riffle, Jessica and husband Brad Farrell, Tyler Schultz, John Henry Riffle, Holly Dunn; two great-grandchildren, Luna and Devan Chandler; a sister, Mary Jareque, Midland, Texas; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by a sister, Olive Harshbarger.

His funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at Akron Church of God, 301 S. West St., Akron, with Pastor Terry Canfield officiating. Burial will be at Akron Cemetery, Akron. Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron. Memorials may be made to Akron Church of God. Online condolences: www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

Paul G. Thiry
March 26, 1922-March 2, 2008

Paul G. THIRY, 85, Peru, died at 9:45 a.m. Sunday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

The son of Aimalle and Philippina (Debring) Thiry, he was born in Peru and lived most of his life there. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II.

He married Mildred Carlin on Nov. 12, 1971, and she died Nov. 8, 1993.

He retired from Square D. Company, Peru. He was a member of the Eagles Lodge.

Survivors include three sons, Paul W. Thiry and wife Irma, Denver, Quinton D. Thiry and Robert J. Thiry of Rochester; three
daughters, Brenda Herbruck and husband Herb, Massillon, Ohio, Ethel Thiry, Louisville, Ohio, and Midge Hendershot and husband Jeff, Canton, Ohio; a stepdaughter, Sally Brown, Peru, and a stepson, Richard Burwell and wife June, Peru; 20 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. He was also preceded in death by his parents and two brothers.

His funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, Peru, with the Rev. Johnny Spencer officiating. Burial will be at Greenlawn Cemetery, Mexico. Friends may call from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. today at the funeral home. A military committal service will be provided by the Miami County Military Rites Team.

**Linda (Jasiewicz) Wiedlocher**

Linda (Jasiewicz) WIEDLOCHER, 57, Las Cruces, N.M., died Wednesday.

Survivors include her husband, Carl; daughters, Jessica Allen and Leslie Wiedlocher; sisters, Chris Parman, Decatur, Mich., Victoria Achterberg, Osceola, and Sandra (Roger) Rose, Rochester.

La Paz-Graham's Funeral Home, Las Cruces, N.M., is handling arrangements.

Tuesday, March 4, 2008

**LeRoy Jay Conklin**


LeRoy Jay CONKLIN, 84, Rochester, formerly of Logansport, died at 12:15 a.m. Monday at Memorial Hospital, Logansport.

Born in Logansport, he was the son of Schuyler and Edna Mae (Reeves) Conklin.


A carpenter, he retired in 1985 from Steinberger Construction Inc. LeRoy was a United States Marine Corps veteran of World War
II and was a member of American Legion Post No. 418. He belonged to Logansport Eagles Lodge No. 323 and was a member and former governor of Moose Lodge No. 232.

In addition to his wife, Ocelia Conklin, Rochester, he is survived by a daughter, Cheryl Whittenburger and husband Gene, Mexico; three sons, Ronald LeRoy Conklin and wife Sandra, Dennis Conklin and wife Alisha, and Greg Conklin and wife Dixie, all of Peru; a sister, Nina James, Logansport; Ocelia's nephew, Rick Lindgren, Rochester; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He was also preceded in death by a sister, Bessie Sterrett, and a brother, Lloyd Conklin.

His funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at Gundrum Funeral Home, Logansport, with Dr. Horace Smith officiating. Burial will be at Mt. Hope Cemetery, Logansport, with a full military service. Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday.

Ted G. Eller
Ted G. ELLER, 54, Evansville, died Monday at Deaconess Hospital.
A Rochester High School graduate with the Class of 1972, he is survived by his wife, June Eller; daughter, Sarah June Eller; mother, Emily Joan Eller, and sisters, Toni Soloperto, Stuart, Fla., Nikki Eller of Carmel, Kay Garrett and Sue Cash of Rochester.
Arrangements are being handled by Alexander East Chapel, Evansville.

James J. ‘Jamie’ Hill II
James J. “Jamie” HILL II, 32, of 4631 E. Indiana 14, Rochester, died Sunday at home.
Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Roy M. Jones
Roy M. JONES, 88, Star City, died Sunday at Woodbridge Health Campus, Logansport.
Survivors include his wife, Helen, Star City; two sons, Sammy K. Jones, Star City, and Rex E. Jones, Indianapolis; two daughters, Joan Z. Marks, Indianapolis, and Susan Machata, Lake Whales, Fla.; a brother, Loren Jones, Fort Wayne, and a sister, Mary Lou Parker, West Lafayette.

His funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Thursday at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Royal Center, with visitation from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday.

Janet L. Loveless
Janet L. LOVELESS, 53, of 8590 S. 350 West, Kewanna, died Sunday at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Survivors include a son, Aaron J. Loveless, Marion; her mother, Dolly Rife, Fulton; a sister, Carol Rife, Fulton; and two brothers, Bud Rife, Mitchell, and Jerry Rife, Fulton.

Services will be at a later date. Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, is handling arrangements.

Margaret J. Seedorf
Margaret "Maggie" J. SEEDORF, 79, Lafayette, died Sunday at St. Anthony Health Care, Lafayette.

Survivors include a son, Kenny J. Seedorf, Otterbein; four sisters, Flossy Ektall, Houston, Texas, Hilda Kemp, Delphi, JoAnne Howard, Wabash, Donna Woods, Kewanna; and a brother, Roscoe "Sunny" Malott, Rochester.

Her funeral service will be at 1 p.m. Thursday at Soller-Baker West Lafayette Chapel, with visitation from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday.

Wednesday, March 5, 2008

Ruby L. Mawbey

Ruby L. MAWBHEY, 90, Peru, died at 1:43 p.m. Monday at Miller's Merry Manor, Peru.
Born to George and Hazel (Maus) Brubaker in Miami County, she married George H. Mawbey on Nov. 20, 1941. He died on July 13, 1984.

She was a Manchester College graduate, retired schoolteacher and member of First Baptist Church, Peru.

She was also an avid and faithful follower of her son's basketball teams for more than 40 years and enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Survivors include her son, Basil L. Mawbey and wife Eileen, Rochester; three granddaughters, Leah Haak and husband Tim of Zionsville, Dawn Hein and husband Andy of Highland, and Christine Farrell and husband Jim, Lake Forest, Ill.; a grandson, Cary Mawbey and wife Nicole, Kokomo; nine great-grandchildren, Christian, James, Luke, Charlie, Jacob, Gabriella, Maeve, George, Sam, and another one very soon.

Her funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Friday at First Baptist Church, 53 E. Main St., Peru, with Pastor Robert Adelsperger officiating. Burial will be at Greenlawn Cemetery, Mexico. Friends may call from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru. Memorials may be made to First Baptist Church.

Zella I. Bowman Bain

Zella I. Bowman BAIN, 95, Hickory Creek of Rochester, died at 8:25 a.m. Tuesday at the nursing home.

Born in Miami County, she was the daughter of Charles B. and Abbie J. Smith Young. She was raised in the Gilead and Akron areas. A Rochester resident, she had also lived at Wynnfield Crossing, Rochester.

On March 29, 1929, she married Frank H. Bowman. He passed away on Aug. 27, 1982. She later married William Bain, who also preceded her in death.
A homemaker, she worked at stores in the area. In 1949, she became a member of the Church of the Nazarene. She was an organist and pianist and loved to sing.

Survivors include two daughters, Betty and husband Rev. Byron Conrad, Sacramento, Calif., and Jean and husband Donald Personett, Akron; a sister, Louise Gerrick, Rochester; nine grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren and eight great-great-grandchildren. She also was preceded in death by two grandchildren; a sister, Freida Trout; and three brothers, Floyd, Charles David and Donald.

Her funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Friday at the Church of the Nazarene, 1987 Southway 31, Rochester, with the Rev. Don Meyer officiating. Burial will be in Gilead Cemetery at a later date. There is no visitation. Memorials may be made to Rochester Church of the Nazarene. Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, has been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences: www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

Ted G. Eller

Ted G. ELLER, 54, Evansville, died Monday at Deaconess Hospital. He graduated from Rochester High School in 1972.

Survivors include his wife, June Eller; a daughter, Sarah June Eller; his mother, Emily Joan Eller, Rochester; four sisters, Toni Soloperto, Stuart, Fla., Nikki Eller, Carmel, Kay Garrett, Rochester, and Sue Cash, Rochester.

His funeral service will be at 5 p.m., Central time, Thursday at Alexander East Chapel, Evansville, with visitation from 3 p.m. until the service.

Thursday, March 6, 2008

Zella I. Bowman Bain


Zella I. Bowman BAIN, 95, Hickory Creek of Rochester, died at 8:25 a.m. Tuesday at the nursing home.
Born in Miami County, she was the daughter of Charles B. and Abbie J. Smith Young. She was raised in the Gilead and Akron areas. A Rochester resident, she had also lived at Wynnfield Crossing, Rochester.

On March 29, 1929, she married Frank H. Bowman. He passed away on Aug. 27, 1982. She later married William Bain, who also preceded her in death.

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Her funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Friday at the Church of the Nazarene, 1987 Southway 31, Rochester, with the Rev. Don Meyer officiating. Burial will be in Gilead Cemetery at a later date. There is no visitation. Memorials may be made to Rochester Church of the Nazarene. Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, has been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences: www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

Gertrude L. Vangundy

Gertrude L. VANGUNDY, 78, Huntley, Ill., formerly of Royal Center, died Saturday at Centegra Memorial Medical Center, Woodstock, Ill.

Survivors include two daughters, Judith Melman, Huntley, and Janet Crunelle, Camarillo, Calif.; two sons, Carl Vangundy, Elgin, Ill., and Richard P. Vangundy, Crete, Ill.; three brothers, Gerhard Oberle, Revere, Mass., Frank Oberle, Everett, Mass., George Oberley, Bloomingdale, Ill.; and three sisters, Louise Read of Bloomingdale,
Ill., Hildegarde Druckamiller, Corsicana, Texas, and Geraldine Stangeby, Penn Valley, Calif.

Services are at 11 a.m. Saturday at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Royal Center, with visitation from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday and one hour prior to the service.

**Christian Lee Chandler**

Christian Lee CHANDLER, 7 weeks old, Peru, died Tuesday at Dukes Memorial Hospital, Peru.

Survivors include his parents, Ben and Crystal McElheny Chandler of Peru.

His funeral service will be at 4 p.m. Saturday at United Pentecostal Church, Logansport, with visitation from 1 p.m. until the service. McClain Funeral Home, Denver, is handling arrangements.

**Ted G. Eller**


Ted G. ELLER, 54, Evansville, passed away Monday at Deaconess Hospital.

He was born on Nov. 19, 1953, in Marion.

Ted graduated from Rochester High School in 1972. He was a Vincennes University graduate with a degree in graphic arts.

He was preceded in death by his father, Bernard G. Eller.

Ted is survived by his wife of 34 years, June Eller; a daughter, Sarah June Eller; a grandson, Isaiah Lowe; his mother, Emily Joan Eller, Rochester; four sisters, Toni Soloperto and husband, John, Stuart, Fla., Nikki Eller, Carmel, Kay Garrett and husband John, Rochester, and Sue Cash and husband John, Rochester.

Services will be at 5 p.m. Central time today at Alexander East Chapel, 2115 Lincoln Ave., Evansville. Friends may visit from 3 p.m. today until the service at the funeral home. Private burial will take place at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Fulton County Community Foundation for the Rochester High School Memorial
Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 807, Rochester, IN 46975. Condolences may be made online at www.mem.com.

Gerald Rouse
A memorial service for Gerald ROUSE of Rochester, who died Feb. 3, 2008, will be at 10:30 a.m. Sunday at Delong Gospel Lighthouse Church.

Friday, March 7, 2008

No Obituaries

Saturday, March 8, 2008

Richard C. "Rick" Rish
Richard C. "Rick" RISH, 53, of 7735 West Swick Road, Claypool died Tuesday at home.
Survivors include his wife, Corinnia Rish; mother Rosemary Beard, Claypool; father, Richard E. Rish, Beaver Creek; a sister, Ramara Hendrix, Claypool; a brother, Steven Rish, Denver Co.; a daughter, Kristie Wolf, Marion; a son, Barry Lake, Marion and four grandsons.
Private family services were held on Friday at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

Monday, March 10, 2008

James Joseph 'Jamie' Hill II
James Joseph "Jamie" HILL II, 32, of 4631 E. Indiana 14, Rochester, died March 2 at home.
Survivors include a son, Gavin Reese Hill, Silver Lake; his mother, Rita L. Hill, Rochester; his father, James J. Hill, Rochester; four sisters, Tami Cox, Akron, Debi Shidler, Rochester, Katina "Katryna" Powell, Rochester, and Kira Shotts, Rochester; two

His funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday and one hour prior to the service.

Roberta Beth Karn, R.N.
April 26, 1920-March 9, 2008

Surrounded by her loving family, Beth KARN, 87, of 1218 Pontiac St., Rochester, went home to be with the Lord at 6:45 a.m. Sunday. She died as a result of cancer, which was diagnosed in September of 2006.

Born in rural Silver Lake, to Artie and Hazel Ball Carr, she grew up there and graduated from Silver Lake High School in 1937. Early on in life, Beth was intrigued by the medical field. It was at the age of 8 that she aspired and dreamed of some day becoming a nurse. Following her graduation from Silver Lake High School, she attended Methodist Hospital School of Nursing, now known as Parkview, in Fort Wayne, in pursuit of her dream. With great pride, in 1941, she graduated with a diploma as a registered nurse.

Beth accepted her first nursing assignment at Woodlawn Hospital assisting her cousin, Dr. Milton Leckrone, as a surgical nurse. Dr. Leckrone owned the original Woodlawn Hospital at Seventh and Pontiac streets. As a life member of the Indiana Nurses Association, Beth served her colleagues as an officer for a number of years.

On Sept. 4, 1945, Beth was united in marriage with local businessman and entrepreneur Harold Arthur Karn, owner of the Karn's Coffee Shop and Hotel. Shortly thereafter, she began raising her family and moved to the present-day residence on Pontiac Street.

Beth continued nursing as a private-duty nurse and as the office nurse for Dr. E.V. Herendeen for several years until her children were older. She was relied on as the neighborhood nurse assisting injured and sick children and young families.
In 1972, she was appointed to the position of Director of Nursing at Woodlawn Hospital. She held this post until her retirement in 1985, thus bringing to a close a career in nursing spanning nearly 4 1/2 decades. Beth actually mentored many of today's Woodlawn nursing staff. With a vision for the future, she assisted with the thoughtful design of the present-day Woodlawn as we know it. Private rooms, technology and Hill-Rom hospital beds were some of the essentials Beth insisted on implementing - keeping in mind patient comfort and care.

Always aspiring to provide our community with the best healthcare, Mrs. Karn recognized the needs of home health care and was instrumental with encouraging her good friends, the Rev. Ron Purkey and his wife Sarah, also an R.N., to create a system of caring for those ill patients with a preference on being cared for at home. The Purkeys masterfully acted on and created Hope Hospice.

With boundless energy, Beth was active in our community, serving at many capacities. Paramount in her life was her First Baptist Church family. As a member, she served the Lord and her church in a variety of ways. She was also a member of the Fulton County Literacy Coalition. She tutored many adult students with reading in the privacy of her home. She volunteered with youth at Head Start. The Red Cross Bloodmobile always counted on Beth to assist on donation days.

An active member of the Republican Women's Club, Beth worked as a poll worker for Precinct 2 for numerous primaries and general elections. In May 1985, the Rochester Chamber of Commerce bestowed her with the Distinguished Citizen Award at her retirement reception for her dedication and service to our community.

In addition to her dedication to her many patients over the years of her nursing career, she cherished the moments spent with her family and friends. Her outgoing personality, beautiful warm smile, joyous laughter and words of encouragement were a blessing to all she met. She loved Christ the Lord and her church family.

As an avid angler, Beth embraced nature on the pristine waters of Minnesota and Wisconsin. Fishing for delectable panfish with her favorite casting rod, she could be easily spotted on the sparkling
waters adorned with her signature red bandana. Many treasured family memories were made on these fishing expeditions.

Beth is survived by her three children, a son, Richard Karn of Silver Lake, and twins, Jean Halfast and husband Greg of Rochester and Pastor John A. Karn and wife Sharon of Greenville, Ill.; three grandchildren, Eric Halfast and wife Jamie Howton, Alicia Halfast Scorsone and husband Michael, and Gretchen Lynne Jennings and husband Will; three great-grandchildren; and a sister, Gladys Tully and husband Eugene, Fort Wayne. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband Harold, who died May 16, 1971; two sisters, Mabel Bouse and Mary Waite; and two brothers, Rex Carr and Robert Carr.

A celebration of the life of Roberta Beth Karn will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at First Baptist Church, Rochester, with Dr. Mark Spencer officiating. Friends may visit with the family on Tuesday from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Good Family Funeral Home and at the church an hour prior to her services. Interment will follow next to her beloved husband, Harold A. Karn, at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Preferred memorials are to Hope Hospice of Fulton County, First Baptist Church or the Woodlawn Hospital Auxiliary Scholarship Fund. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Dolly E. Rife
Aug. 6, 1926-March 8, 2008

Dolly E. RIFE, 81, of 8590 S. 350 West, Kewanna, passed away at 11:24 p.m. Saturday at her residence.

She was born on Aug. 6, 1926, in Fulton County, the daughter of Manford J. and Chloe (Curtis) Kingery. On March 27, 1943, in Fulton County, she married Lloyd T. Rife. He preceded her in death on Jan. 8, 1978.


Survivors include her sons, Manford C. and wife Ellen Rife, Mitchell, Jerry Rife, Kewanna; a daughter, Carol Rife, Kewanna; eight grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren; a sister, Dorothy and
husband Maurice Mason, Brooklyn; brothers, John Kingery, Las Vegas, Nev., Bill and wife Pat Kingery, Fulton; several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her daughter, Janet Loveless; granddaughter, Tender Lea Rife; three brothers; and two sisters.

Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Fulton Cemetery, Fulton, with the Rev. George Hapner officiating. Memorial contributions may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County. Arrangements are by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Fulton. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

Tuesday, March 11, 2008

James Joseph 'Jamie' Hill II

James Joseph "Jamie" HILL II, 32, of 4631 E. Indiana 14, Rochester, died at 6:36 p.m. March 2 at his residence.

Born on Dec. 22, 1975, in Logansport, he was the son of James J. and Henrietta L. Shidler Hill. He was a lifetime Rochester resident.

With great pride, Jamie graduated from Rochester High School in 1995. While at RHS, he spent time on the gridiron, playing football for the Zebras. He greatly enjoyed catching the wind while riding his Harley and four-wheelin' through the mud in his Jeep with friends.

Jamie took pleasure in the title bestowed on him by his family - "Mr. Fix-It." He was talented and able to complete a variety of household repairs, including carpentry, plumbing and some electrical too. He also enjoyed tinkering with big equipment, especially the dozers and backhoes. Jamie, a gifted welder, was employed by Dragon Co. in that trade.

An American sportsman, Jamie embraced nature; his experiences were varied and vast. He enjoyed adventures in the woods, hunting deer with bow or shotgun. The fresh waters of the ponds near his home often beckoned him, and there he relaxed, fishing for bluegill, catfish and crappie. He most recently enjoyed competing with his coon dog in field trials around the Midwest.
He is survived by a son, Gavin Reese Hill, Silver Lake; his mother, Rita L. Hill, Rochester; his father, James J. Hill, Rochester; four sisters, Tami Cox, Akron, Debi Shidler, Rochester, Katina "Katryna" Powell and husband Scott, Rochester, Kira Shotts and husband Andy, Rochester; two brothers, Art Shidler and wife Jamie, Rochester, and William "Bill" Adams, Massachusetts; his companion, Brenda Wilson and her children, Brielle, Braxtin and Brilee Wilson, all of Rochester; his uncle, Mike Hill; and nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by an infant sister, Scarlet Hill, in 1970, and a brother, Trevor Hill, in 1982.

A celebration of the life of James Joseph "Jamie" Hill II will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with Pastor Jerry Pitman officiating. Friends may visit with his family from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday and one hour prior to the service Thursday. Burial will follow at Fulton Cemetery, Fulton. Preferred memorials in lieu of flowers may be made to Jamie's son through the Gavin Reese Hill Trust Fund in care of First Source Bank. Envelopes are available at the funeral home. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be sent to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Wednesday, March 12, 2008

Robert W. Pinder

Robert W. PINDER, 66, Trinidad, Texas, formerly of Kewanna, died Saturday at his residence.

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

Thursday, March 13, 2008

Robert W. Pinder

Feb. 3, 1942-March 8, 2008

A celebration of life for beloved father and husband, Robert W. PINDER, 66, of Trinidad, Texas, formerly of Kewanna, will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral
Homes, Kewanna Chapel. He passed away in the early morning hours of Saturday, March 8, at his residence. A visitation was held Wednesday at Tomlinson Funeral Home in Malakoff, Texas.

Born Feb. 3, 1942, in Logansport, he was the son of Harold and Lora Fay (Koenig) Pinder. On Feb. 3, 1980, he was married in Kewanna to Barbara Gail Sissom, and she survives. He was a veteran of the United States Air Force and was proud that during his lifetime he had traveled to all the 48 continental states.

He worked at Sealed Power in Rochester for more than 34 years, retiring in 1997. Robert loved the outdoors. He enjoyed mushroom hunting, gardening, cooking and spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren. He was a member of the Eagles Lodge No. 852 and the American Legion Post, Rochester.

He is survived by and will be greatly missed by his wife, Gail, of Trinidad, Texas; his mother, Fay of Kewanna; a son, Robert R. Pinder of Fort Wayne; two daughters, Lisa and her husband Kevin Kersey of Plymouth, and Mary and her husband Danny Chew of Kewanna; four brothers, Ed Pinder and his wife Lora Ann of Culver, Dick Pinder and his wife June of Fulton, Jerry Pinder and his wife Beverly of Plymouth, and David Pinder of South Bend; six grandchildren, Sarah, Jason and Phil Kersey, Jeanann Hewitt, Darin Chew and Dylan Pinder; a great-granddaughter, Kathirine Kersey; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his dad, Harold, in 1982.

Online condolences may be made to the Pinder family at www.harrisonmetzger.com.

Friday, March 14, 2008

No Obituaries

Saturday, March 15, 2008

**Irma Dailey**

Irma DAILEY, 96, 6406 South State Road 19, Mentone, died Friday at 5:15 p.m. at Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw.
Funeral arrangements are pending at King Memorial Funeral Home in Mentone.

Monday, March 17, 2008

Irma P. Dailey

Irma P. DAILEY, 96, of 6406 S. Indiana 19, Mentone, died Friday at Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw.

Survivors include a son, John A. Dailey, Claypool.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at First Baptist Church Activity Center, Mentone, with visitation from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the activity center. King Memorial Home, Mentone, is handling arrangements.

Danny Ray Ehlinger Sr.

Nov. 28, 1950-March 15, 2008

Danny Ray EHLINGER Sr., age 57, Knox, formerly of Leiters Ford, passed away Saturday at Starke Memorial Hospital.

Danny was born in Rochester on Nov. 28, 1950, to Harland "Bud" and Peggy (Hunter) Ehlinger. He graduated in 1968 from Aubbeenaubbee High School, the last class to graduate from that high school.

He was married Dec. 14, 1968, to Sharon Thomas in Culver at the Emmanuel United Methodist Church by the Rev. Arthur E. Givens.

He is survived by his wife, Sharon Ehlinger, Knox; two sons, Eddie Ehlinger, Manistee, Mich., and Danny (Nora Howard) Ehlinger Jr., Constantine, Mich.; a daughter, Shannon Shepherd, Culver; his mother, Peggy (Hunter) Ehlinger, Rochester; a brother, Donnie (Betty) Ehlinger, Knox; and five grandchildren, Dustin, Hanna and Devin Ehlinger of Knox, Emmalee Shepherd of Culver and Landen Howard of Constantine. He was preceded in death by his father, Harland "Bud" Ehlinger; two grandsons, Nathaniel Shepherd and Ethan Shepherd; and his in-laws, Richard and Bernice Thomas.
Visitation with the family will be Tuesday at Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. The Rev. Ron Lewellen will officiate services at noon Wednesday with visitation also one hour before the service. Interment will follow at Moon Cemetery in Leiters Ford. Condolences may be sent through the obituary page at www.bonineodom.com.

William Huddleston
William “Bill” HUDDLESTON, 92, of 6416 W. 500 North, Rochester, died at 5:51 a.m. Saturday at Memorial Hospital, South Bend.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Tressie Myers
Feb. 14, 1913-March 14, 2008

Tressie MYERS, age 95, of Three Rivers, Mich., formerly of Marshall and Fulton counties, passed away Friday at Riverview Manor.

She was born in Plymouth on Feb. 14, 1913, the daughter of Lester and Minnie (Swihart) Zehner.

Mrs. Myers was a member of Jordan Baptist Church in Argos. She truly loved raising her family on their farm and watching her children and grandchildren grow.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband, Kenneth Myers, on April 3, 1990.

She is survived by her loving family, a daughter, Marilyn Miller, Three Rivers; a son, Paul (Verna) Myers, of Tulsa, Okla.; a sister, Elnora Lackey, of Conway, S.C.; one very special sister-in-law, Ruth Grossman, of Rochester; two grandchildren, Mickey Miller and Pamela Myers; five great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan, Argos. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the funeral home. Interment will be in
Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos. Arrangements are also by Hohner Funeral Home, Three Rivers, Mich.

Gerald 'Tex' Ross  

Gerald "Tex" ROSS, 71, of 7167 W. Indiana 25, Mentone, passed away at 3:28 a.m. Saturday in his home surrounded by his family.

He was born in Peoria, Ill., to Mace Warren and Ethel Brady on Dec. 1, 1936.

He married Sharlene Ware on June 28, 1958, at Mentone Methodist Church, and she survives. He is also survived by their seven children: Kevin (Tawni) Owens, Caledonia, Mich.; Crystal (Vance) Hale, Martin, Ky.; Angie (Mark) Dillon, Warsaw; Eric (Sharon) Ross, Mentone; Windy (Terry) McFarren, Claypool; Cy (Michele) Ross, Fort Polk, La.; Balinda (BJ) Vasquez, Benicia, Calif. He has 22 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren; all were very special to him. He was preceded in death by his father, mother and brother, Raymond Ross.

Gerald worked as a machinist at Midwest Spring for 45 years before his retirement. He also owned, and was a handyman for, Ross and Sons. He served in the U.S. Air Force, was a Scout leader and loved the outdoors.

His funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at King Memorial Home, Mentone, with the Rev. Doris Smith officiating. Visitation will be Tuesday from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at Mentone Cemetery with military graveside rites conducted by the American Legion of Warsaw. Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association. Online condolences may be sent at www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com. The family would like to extend a special thank you to Hope Hospice of Rochester.
Margaret N. Stumpff
Margaret N. STUMPFF, 56, Huntington, formerly of Rochester, died at 8:50 p.m. Sunday at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

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

Tuesday, March 18, 2008

E. Wayne Hoffman
E Wayne HOFFMAN, 89, of 316 N. Adams St., Akron, died at 3:05 a.m. today at home.

Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

Arthur L. McFatridge Sr.
March 22, 1928-March 16, 2008
Arthur L. McFATRIDGE Sr., 79, Logansport, died at 10:27 p.m. Sunday at Home Hospital, Lafayette.

Born in Logansport, he was the son of Ira Lewis and Ethel Maude Campbell McFatridge.


He retired from Delco Electronics in 1990 after 25 years of service.

He was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church.

Survivors include his wife, Oneta L. McFatridge, Logansport; four sons, Wayne McFatridge and wife Gina, Logansport, Steve McFatridge and wife Sally, California, Arthur McFatridge Jr. and wife Marie, Alabama, and Mitch McFatridge and wife Cathy, Illinois; two daughters, Vicky Doll, Cincinnati, Ohio, and Janice Moser and husband Tom, Arkansas; a brother, Charles McFatridge and wife Roseanne, Camden; a sister, Vera Larimore and husband Junior, Galveston; 14 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by a son, Kevin Ira McFatridge, and four brothers, Virgil, Tom, Robert and William McFatridge.
His funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at Gundrum Funeral Home, Logansport, with Dr. Horace Smith officiating. Burial will be at Hopewell Cemetery, Deer Creek. Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

William Emanuel Huddleston
July 10, 1915-March 15, 2008

William "Bill" Emanuel HUDDLESTON, 92, of 6416 W. 500 North, Rochester, died at 5:51 a.m. Saturday at Memorial Hospital, South Bend.

Born in Frankfort, he was the son of John Oliver and Lottie Fairchild Huddleston. He graduated from Frankfort High School.


He moved to Rochester from Frankfort. He lived here for 50 years.

He was employed at Indiana Metal Products and did custom concrete flatwork for Dunlap Construction, Argos. He also worked on lawn mowers and repaired small engines.

He raised beagles and enjoyed time with his grandchildren.

Survivors include a son, Billy Huddleston and wife Penney, Rochester; grandchildren, Page and Clayton Huddleston, both of Rochester; his beagle, Hank, at home; a brother-in-law, Tommy Dean Lytle and wife Patricia, Indianapolis; a sister-in-law, Angie Nichols and husband John, Rochester; five nieces, Janet Lytle and husband Frank, Lori Dunse and husband David, Misty Cripe and husband Rob, Shaley Cripe and Erin Dunse; and three nephews, Jake Lytle, Sawyer Cripe and Ethan Dunse. He was preceded in death by his parents; wife; a sister, Lucille Sheets; a grandson, John Huddleston; a son, James Huddleston; and two brothers-in-law, Max Lytle and Walter Sheets.

Memorial services will be held at a later date. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at
goodfamily@rtcol.com. Arrangements are by Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester.

**Naomi Shirk**

Naomi SHIRK, 34, of 749 W. 650 North, Rochester, died at 9:13 p.m. Monday at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Margaret N. 'Peggy' Stumpff**


Margaret N. "Peggy" STUMPFF, 56, Huntington, formerly of Rochester, passed away at 8:50 p.m. Sunday at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

She was born on Jan. 10, 1952, in East Chicago, Ind., the daughter of Gilbert H. and Irene J. (Papesh) Stumpff. She was a 1971 graduate of Rochester High School and attended Patricia Stevens College in Chicago, Ill.

Survivors include her father, Gilbert H. "Bert" Stumpff, Rochester; sisters, Diane Marie and husband Kenneth Lang, Pensacola, Fla., and Patricia Stumpff, Fort Wayne; a brother, Thomas J. and wife Patricia Stumpff, Rochester; nephews, Joe and wife Rebecca Lang, John and wife Christi Lang, and niece, Bailey Stumpff. She was preceded in death by her mother, Irene J. Stumpff.

Graveside services will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday at Independent Order of Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester, with the Rev. Joseph Jacob officiating. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to Hope Hospice or United Ministries of Fulton County. Arrangements are by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.
Wednesday, March 19, 2008

Artena Hedington

Artena HEDINGTON, 96, Miller’s Merry Manor, Warsaw, formerly of Tippecanoe, died at 12:19 p.m. Tuesday at the nursing home.

Arrangements are pending at Kink Memorial Home, Mentone.

E. Wayne Hoffman

Sept. 25, 1918-March 18, 2008

E. Wayne HOFFMAN, 89, of 316 N. Adams St., Akron, died at 3:05 a.m. Tuesday at home.

Born in Wabash County, he was the son of Foster and Eathel Drudge Hoffman.

On April 13, 1942, in Nappanee, he married Donabelle Sheets. He served in the Army Air Corps during World War II.

In 1981, he retired from Sonoco Products Co., Akron, after 26 years of service. He was a lifelong member of Silver Creek Church of God.

A loyal fan of Akron High School and Tippecanoe Valley High School basketball teams, he also cheered on the Indiana Hoosiers and Chicago Cubs. He loved to fish and camp at Barr Lake.

He is survived by his wife, Donabelle Hoffman, Akron; two daughters, Sharon and husband Hugh Hartz, Culver, and Connie and husband Dennis Helvey, South Whitley; six grandchildren, Jeff and Troy Hartz, Todd Helvey, Talisha Herendeen, Trina Semler and Trista Brubaker; 12 great-grandchildren; a sister, Emogene Daine, Akron; and two brothers, Earl and wife Genelle Hoffman, Akron, and Edward and wife Martha Hoffman, Claypool. He was preceded in death by his brother, Elvin Hoffman.

His funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday at Silver Creek Church of God, Silver Lake, with Pastor Thomas Craig officiating. Burial will be at Silver Creek Cemetery, Silver Lake, where military graveside rites will be performed by the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars of Rochester. Visitation will be from 4 p.m.
to 8 p.m. Thursday at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St.,
Akron. Memorials may be made to Silver Creek Church of God and
Hope Hospice of Fulton County. Online condolences:

Naomi R. Shirk
Naomi R. SHIRK, 34, of 749 W. 650 North, Rochester, died
Monday at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.
Survivors include her parents, Harry and Miriam Weaver,
Argos; her husband, Titus Shirk, at home; a son, Harlan Shirk; five
daughters, Delores, Minerva, Ruthann, Kathleen and Anita Shirk; five
sisters, Martha Martin and Rachel Martin of Rochester, Eunice Ramer
of Wakarusa, Rhoda Weaver and Joanna Weaver of Argos; and four
brothers, Jonathan Weaver of Tippecanoe, Nathan Weaver, Mathew
Weaver and Andrew Weaver of Argos.
Services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at the Tippecanoe Old
Order Mennonite Church, with visitation in the family home from 2
p.m. to 8 p.m. today. Arrangements are by Good Family Funeral
Home, Rochester.

Thursday, March 20, 2008

John 'Oscar' Allen
Sept. 8, 1940-March 16, 2008
John "Oscar" ALLEN, age 67, formerly of Winamac, died
Sunday, March 16, at Community East Hospital in Indianapolis.
Born on Sept. 8, 1940, in Peru, he was the son of John and Ida
(Lerch) Allen. He graduated from Winamac Community High School
in 1960 and went on to graduate from barber college.
Mr. Allen was the owner of Allen's Hair Center in Indianapolis.
He was a member of the Knights of Columbus and St. Peter's
Catholic Church, both in Winamac. Mr. Allen was also an avid sports
enthusiast who loved horses, fishing and chocolate cakes.
Surviving him are his children, John "Bob" Allen of
Indianapolis, Connie Bair of Winamac, Lisa Foy of Atlanta, Ga., and
Lucille Ann Allen of Indianapolis; stepchildren, William Harvey Funk II of Union City, Eric Dean Funk of Union City, Jacqueline Fay Funk of Indianapolis, and Ceresa Marie Boals of Indianapolis; siblings, Linda L. Bridegroom of Kewanna, Michael G. Allen of Coldsprings, N.Y., Sandy Roth of Winamac, and Becky Allen of Star City; the mothers of his children, Nancy Freeman of Winamac and Deana Fay "Cookie" Allen of Williamsburg, Ky.; three grandchildren and seven stepgrandchildren. Preceding him in death were his parents; brother, Raymond Allen; and granddaughter, Casandra.

Visitation was Wednesday, March 19, from 4 p.m. until 8 p.m. at Erlewein Mortuary in Greenfield. Funeral service was today, at the mortuary at 12:30 p.m. and burial was to follow at Washington Park East Cemetery in Indianapolis. Memorial contributions may be made to Riley Hospital for Children, 30 S. Meridian St., Suite 200, Indianapolis, IN 46204. Friends may sign the online guestbook at www.erleweinmortuary.com or e-mail condolences to sympathy@erleweinmortuary.com.

Artena B. Hedington
Oct. 3, 1911-March 18, 2008

Artena B. HEDINGTON, 96, died at 12:19 p.m. Tuesday at Miller's Merry Manor, Warsaw, where she moved in 2005 from her lifelong home in Tippecanoe.


She worked at Atwood school as a custodian for 10 years. She also worked at Kralis Brothers Foods for 15 years before retiring in 1973. She was a homemaker who enjoyed her family, flowers and gardening. She particularly loved hollyhocks.

Survivors include two daughters, Mary Sparks, Etna Green, and Retha and husband Russell Hart, Mentone; three sons, Delbert and wife Candace Hedington, Etna Green, Donald and wife Betty Hedington, Warsaw, and Jerry and wife Sandy Hedington, Tippecanoe; and 14 grandchildren, 31 great-grandchildren and 33
great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by a sister, Mildred Ooley; a brother, Orville Ralston; and a son-in-law, Wilford Sparks.

Her funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at King Memorial Home, Mentone, with Rev. Dale Hart officiating. Burial will be at Tippecanoe Cemetery in Tippecanoe.

Visitation is 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. Friday at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone. Memorial contributions may be sent to the donor's choice. Online condolences may be made at www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

**Esther Melba Zink**

Esther Melba ZINK, 93, 404 Albert St., Argos, died at 4:35 a.m. today at Pilgrim Manor in Plymouth.

There is no visitation. Graveside funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos.

**Marilynn L. Hewitt**

Marilynn L. HEWITT, 70, formerly of 5570 E. 150 South, Rochester, died at 4:05 a.m. today at Miller’s Merry Manor in Peru.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

**Mervin Groves**

Mervin GROVES, 64, of 5123 E. 350 South, Rochester, died at 2:20 a.m. today at his residence.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

**William Emanuel Huddleston**

July 10, 1915-March 15, 2008

William "Bill" Emanuel HUDDLESTON, 92, of 6416 W. 500 North, Rochester, died at 5:51 a.m. Saturday at Memorial Hospital, South Bend.
Born in Frankfort, he was the son of John Oliver and Lottie Fairchild Huddleston. He graduated from Frankfort High School.


He moved to Rochester from Frankfort. He lived here for 50 years.

He was employed at Indiana Metal Products and did custom concrete flatwork for Dunlap Construction, Argos. He also worked on lawn mowers and repaired small engines.

He raised beagles and enjoyed time with his grandchildren.

Survivors include a son, Billy Huddleston and wife Penney, Rochester; grandchildren, Page and Clayton Huddleston, both of Rochester; his beagle, Hank, at home; a brother-in-law, Tommy Dean Lytle and wife Patricia, Indianapolis; a sister-in-law, Angie Nichols and husband John, Rochester; five nieces, Janet Lytle and husband Frank, Lori Dunse and husband David, Misty Cripe and husband Rob, Shaley Cripe and Erin Dunse; and three nephews, Jake Lytle, Sawyer Cripe and Ethan Dunse. He was preceded in death by his parents; wife; a sister, Lucille Sheets; a grandson, John Huddleston; a son, James Huddleston; and two brothers-in-law, Max Lytle and Walter Sheets.

Memorial services will be held at a later date. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com. Arrangements are by Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester

Friday, March 21, 2008

Mervin Paul Groves
March 18, 1944-March 20, 2008

Mervin Paul GROVES, 64, went to be with his Savior, surrounded by his loving family, at 2:20 a.m. Thursday at his residence, 5123 E. 350 South, in Rochester. He was ill since July.

Mervin was born the son of Raymond and Hazel Rhodes Groves on March 18, 1944, in Fayette County, Ohio. On March 18,
1973, his 29th birthday, he took Mary "Toni" Rice as his bride in Greenfield, Ohio.

As a Chief Mess Specialist (SW), he retired after 28 years of active duty with the U.S. Navy. He then became a self-employed truck driver for 19 years, retiring for health reasons.

The Groves have lived in the Rochester community since 1992. They came to this area after having lived in Henderson, N.C., and Virginia Beach, Va. Mr. Groves attended the Church of the Nazarene of Rochester and was baptized in the Church of the Nazarene of Greenfield. He was a member of the Eagles Lodge in Greenfield. Mervin liked to spend time with friends, horseback riding, camping and especially liked to cook. He cherished the time spent with his children and grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife, Mary "Toni" Groves, at home; a daughter, Pattie Faye Parshall and husband Marvin, Richmondville, N.Y.; a son, Raymond Paul Groves and wife Jennifer, Chesapeake, Va.; four grandchildren, Brandon and Ryan Parshall of Richmondville, and Raymond Jr. and Hunter Groves of Chesapeake. Also surviving is a sister, Virginia Smally of Greenfield, and two brothers, Earl Groves of Greenfield, and Raymond F. Groves and wife Marlene of St. George, Utah, and many special family members including in-laws, nieces and nephews.

Merlin is also survived by special Navy friends: Tom Pullen of Chesapeake, and Bob Hafer of Oklahoma City, Okla.

A celebration of Mervin's life will be at 11 a.m. Monday in the Church of the Nazarene, 1987 Southway 31, Rochester, with Pastor Don Meyer officiating. Graveside services will be at Chesapeake Memorial Gardens, Chesapeake, Va., at 1 p.m. Wednesday with Pastor James Heckathorn officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, and one hour prior to the service in the church on Monday. Military rites will be conducted by the LeRoy Shelton American Legion Post 36 and the Veterans of Foreign Wars No. 1342. Memorials may be made in Mervin's name to the Church of the Nazarene or to the American Cancer Society. Electronic
expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

**Marilynn Lou Hewitt**


Marilynn Lou HEWITT, 70, formerly of 5570 E. 150 South, Rochester, died at 4:05 a.m. Thursday at Miller's Merry Manor, Peru.

Born in Peru, she was the daughter of Carl B. and Leva Langdon Harris Gothard. She lived her entire life in Fulton and Miami county communities.

She worked at American Geometric Plastics, and at Stage in Rochester. She attended the Foursquare Gospel Church of Rochester.

She is survived by two sons, William Lee Hewitt and wife Cheryl, Peru, and Steven R. Hewitt and wife Marisa, Logansport; three grandchildren, Mandie Suthers, Olympia, Wash., Joshua Hewitt, Bunker Hill, and Amy Million, Peru; three great-grandchildren, Kellyn Suthers, Olympia, Wash., Faith Hewitt and Kendall Hewitt of Bunker Hill; and a sister, Ellen Wright and husband John, Indianapolis. She was preceded in death by her parents.

A memorial service will be at 3 p.m. Monday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. There will be no visitation. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

**Roy Saner**

Roy SANER, 76, of 7701 W. Camabraw Lane, Rock Lake, Akron, died at 6:30 a.m. today in the Woodlawn Hospital emergency room, Rochester.

Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

**Ivan J. Klobucher**

Ivan J. KLOBUCHER, 63, of 1216 Rochester Blvd., Rochester, died at 5:10 a.m. today at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.
Saturday, March 22, 2008

Mervin Paul Groves
March 18, 1944-March 20, 2008

Mervin Paul GROVES, 64, went to be with his Savior, surrounded by his loving family, at 2:20 a.m. Thursday at his residence, 5123 E. 350 South, in Rochester. He was ill since July.

Mervin was born the son of Raymond and Hazel Rhodes Groves on March 18, 1944, in Fayette County, Ohio. On March 18, 1973, his 29th birthday, he took Mary "Toni" Rice as his bride in Greenfield, Ohio.

As a Chief Mess Specialist (SW), he retired after 28 years of active duty with the U.S. Navy. He then became a self-employed truck driver for 19 years, retiring for health reasons.

The Groves have lived in the Rochester community since 1992. They came to this area after having lived in Henderson, N.C., and Virginia Beach, Va. Mr. Groves attended the Church of the Nazarene of Rochester and was baptized in the Church of the Nazarene of Greenfield. He was a member of the Eagles Lodge in Greenfield.

Mervin liked to spend time with friends, horseback riding, camping and especially liked to cook. He cherished the time spent with his children and grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife, Mary "Toni" Groves, at home; a daughter, Pattie Faye Parshall and husband Marvin, Richmondville, N.Y.; a son, Raymond Paul Groves and wife Jennifer, Chesapeake, Va.; four grandchildren, Brandon and Ryan Parshall of Richmondville, and Raymond Jr. and Hunter Groves of Chesapeake. Also surviving is a sister, Virginia Smally of Greenfield, and two brothers, Earl Groves of Greenfield, and Raymond F. Groves and wife Marlene of St. George, Utah, and many special family members including in-laws, nieces and nephews.

Mervin is also survived by special Navy friends: Tom Pullen of Chesapeake, and Bob Hafer of Oklahoma City, Okla.

A celebration of Mervin’s life will be at 11 a.m. Monday in the Church of the Nazarene, 1987 Southway 31, Rochester, with Pastor
Don Meyer officiating. Graveside services will be at Chesapeake Memorial Gardens, Chesapeake, Va., at 1 p.m. Wednesday with Pastor James Heckathorn officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. today at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, and one hour prior to the service in the church on Monday. Military rites will be conducted by the LeRoy Shelton American Legion Post 36 and the Veterans of Foreign Wars No. 1342. Memorials may be made in Mervin’s name to the Church of the Nazarene or to the American Cancer Society. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Ivan J. Klobucher
May 22, 1944-March 21, 2008

Ivan J. KLOBUCHER, 63, of 1216 Rochester Blvd., Rochester, passed away at 5:10 a.m. Friday at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

He was born on May 22, 1944 in Lansing, Mich., the son of John and Elsie (Rosenthal) Klobucher. He was a 1966 graduate of Michigan State University where he played on the varsity baseball team. On Jan. 27, 1968 at the Grace United Methodist Church in Rochester, he married Judy L. Powell and she survives.

Ivan had retired from the Prudential Insurance Agency. He was an U.S. Air Force veteran of the Vietnam War, a member of the Beaver Dam United Methodist Church and the Rochester Moose Lodge.

He enjoyed playing golf, sports of all kinds, especially Michigan State University and attending his grandchildren’s numerous sporting events.

Survivors include his wife, Judy L. Klobucher, Rochester; daughter, Kristin and husband Paul Carpenter, Rochester; mother Elsie Klobucher, Rochester; grandchildren, Alex Carpenter, Lukas Carpenter and Lindsay Carpenter, all of Rochester; sister-in-law, Jaren Gentile, Rochester; nephews, Kevin Gentile, Denver, Colo. And Ron Gentile, Palo Alto, Calif.
He was preceded in death by his father, father-in-law and mother-in-law, Ron and Lova Powell.

Private services will be conducted at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Burial will be in the Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester. Memorial contributions may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County or the Beaver Dam United Methodist Church. On-line condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com

**Erman J. Dotson**

Erman J. DOTSON, 8764 S. 425 W. Silver Lake, died Friday at 6:02 p.m. at Kosciusko Community Hospital.

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

**Roy Lee Saner**

November 13, 1921-March 21, 2008

Roy Lee SANER, 76, 7701 West Camabraw Park Lane, Rock Lake (Akron), died Friday at 6:30 a.m. at Woodlawn Hospital Emergency Room, Rochester.

Born on Nov. 13, 1931 in Rock Lake (Akron), he was the son of Homer C. and Rerrell (Schindler) Saner.

He married Marilyn A. Lockridge on June 13, 1952 in Claypool and she survives.

He had owned and operated a well drilling business for 42 years.

Roy was a member of the West Eel River Church of the Brethren in Silver Lake. He was a U.S. Army veteran serving in the Korean War and was a 1951 graduate of Akron High School.

He is survived by his wife, Marilyn Saner, Akron; two daughters, Melanie and husband Ray Hollett, Warsaw, and Marilee and husband Terrence Wires, Nappanee; three sons, Jim and wife Jane Saner, Mike and wife Mary Saner, and Mark Saner, all of Akron; 13 grandchildren, Missy, Kristen, Jayme, Amy, David, Rachel, Daniel, Nathaniel, Brooke, Megan, Brandt, Marcus and Leigh’ seven great-grandchildren; two brothers, Fred and wife Willodene Saner, Warsaw
and Charles and wife Lily Saner, Warren; two sisters-in-law, Kay Saner, Indianapolis and Doris Saner, Akron.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Loyd and Bob Saner; a sister-in-law, Faye Saner and a grandson-in-law, Nicholas Patterson.

His funeral will be at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron, with the Rev. Paul Tinkel officiating. Burial will be at Akron Cemetery, where graveside military rites will be conducted by the Leroy Shelton American Legion Post 36 and the VFW Post 1343, both of Rochester. Visitation will be from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 West Rochester Street, Akron.

Memorial contributions can be made to the family. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home. On-line condolences may be made at www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

Monday, March 24, 2008

Roy Saner
Nov. 13, 1931-March 21, 2008

Roy Lee SANER, 76, of 7701 West Camabraw Park Lane, Rock Lake (Akron), died Friday at 6:30 a.m. at the Woodlawn Hospital emergency room, Rochester.

Born on Nov. 13, 1931, in Rock Lake (Akron), he was the son of Homer C. and Ferrell (Schindler) Saner.

He married Marilyn A. Lockridge on June 13, 1952, in Claypool and she survives.

He owned and operated a well drilling business for 42 years.

Roy was a member of West Eel River Church of the Brethren in Silver Lake. He was a U.S. Army veteran who served in the Korean War. He graduated from Akron High School in 1951.

He is survived by his wife, Marilyn Saner, Akron; two daughters, Melanie and husband Ray Hollett, Warsaw, and Marilee and husband Terrence Wires, Nappanee; three sons, Jim and wife Jan Saner, Mike and wife Mary Saner, and Mark Saner, all of Akron; 13 grandchildren, Missy, Kristen, Jayme, Amy, David, Rachael, Daniel,
Nathaniel, Brooke, Megan, Brandt, Marcus and Leigh; seven great-grandchildren; two brothers, Fred and wife Willodene Saner, Warsaw, and Charles and wife Lily Saner, Warren; two sisters-in-law, Kay Saner, Indianapolis, and Doris Saner, Akron. He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Loyd and Bob Saner; a sister-in-law, Faye Saner; and a grandson-in-law, Nicholas Patterson.

His funeral will be at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron, with the Rev. Paul Tinkel officiating. Burial will be at Akron Cemetery, where graveside military rites will be conducted by the Leroy Shelton American Legion Post 36 and the VFW Post 1343, both of Rochester. Visitation will be from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. today at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron. Memorials may be made to the family. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home. Online condolences:

**Erman J. Dotson**

Erman J. DOTSON, 90, of 8764 S. 425 West, Silver Lake, died Friday at Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw.

Survivors include his wife, Arizona Dotson, Silver Lake; a daughter, Krystal Napier, Silver Lake; and two sons, Paul Dotson, Jerome, Mich., and Finley Dotson, Chatham, Va.

His funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Earl-Love Funeral Home, Akron, with visitation from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday. www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

**Maxine Sayger**

Maxine SAYGER, 86, of 4425 Indiana 25 North, Rochester, died at 12:45 a.m. Sunday at Howard Regional Health System, Kokomo. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Irene Workman**

Irene WORKMAN, 89, Heritage Pointe Healthcare, Warren, formerly of Beaver Dam Lake, died this morning at the healthcare center.
Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

Tuesday, March 25, 2008

**Irene C. Workman**


Irene C. WORKMAN, 88, Heritage Pointe, Warren, formerly of Beaver Dam Lake, (Claypool), died at 9:20 a.m. Monday at Heritage Pointe.

Born in Fairmount, she was the daughter of Verlie and Lora Jones Couch. She graduated from Jefferson Township High School in Grant County and from Marion Business College.


She was a secretary at Craig Middle School in Indianapolis and a bookkeeper at RCA. She attended Beaver Dam United Methodist Church, Akron, and belonged to the American Legion Auxiliary.

She is survived by her sister, Mildred and husband Clarence Wagoner, Marion, and her brother, Max and wife Shelby Couch, Swayzee. Although she didn't have any children, she was like a mother to her nieces and nephews.

Her funeral service will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with the Rev. Jacqueline Foley officiating. Visitation will be from 6 p.m. Wednesday until the service at the funeral home. Entombment will be in Grant Memorial Park, Marion, at 10 a.m. Thursday. Memorials may be made to Beaver Dam United Methodist Church. Online condolences: www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

**Nona Maxine Sayger**

Nona Maxine “Short” SAYGER, 86, of 4425 Indiana 25 North, Rochester, died Sunday at Howard Regional Health System, Kokomo.

Survivors include two sons, Larry Sayger, Rochester, and Michael Sayger, Thurmont, Md., and two sisters, Melva Sanders and Betty Glentzer of Rochester.
Services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday and one hour prior to the service.

Wednesday, March 26, 2008

Nona Maxine Sayger
July 20, 1921-March 23, 2008

Nona Maxine "Short" SAYGER, 86, of 4425 Indiana 25 North, Rochester, died at 12:45 a.m. Sunday at Howard Regional Health System, Kokomo.

Born in Etna Green, she was the daughter of Edward and Bessie Bybee Lowe. She lived in the Rochester area for 80 years.

In July of 1945, it was Maxine's desire to serve our country with the Women's Army Corps. To meet the requirements with her petite stature of 4 foot, 7 1/2 inches, it was essential that Maxine restyle her hair, adding the extra inches necessary and managing to hit the mark. It was with great pride that Private 1st Class WAC-TC Lowe answered the roll call at Fort Des Moines, Iowa.

Later the same year, on Oct. 27, at Fort Des Moines, she was united in marriage with her husband, Harry Sayger. Their union spanned just over 53 years. He preceded her in death on Nov. 14, 1998. In addition to their sons, Larry and Michael, Harry and Maxine lovingly and unselfishly served as foster parents to numerous children of our county.

She worked at Hart Schaffner & Marx and Topps Manufacturing in Rochester.

Maxine was an active member of local clubs. She belonged to the American Legion LeRoy Shelton Post No. 36 for more than 63 years. She also served in various capacities at the Moose Family Lodge No. 1107. In 1975, as a charter member of the Fraternal Order of the Eagles Women's Auxiliary, Maxine was a driving force. She served in positions for Zone No. 2, District No. 7 and as secretary at the state level. Through the years, she and Harry recruited members and helped build the lodge to the prominence as it is known and
appreciated today. Locally, Maxine served as secretary for more than 50 years. She was also a server, waiting tables and making new friends. Maxine was a solid supporter of the many Eagles charities for kids. Whether it was Shop with a Cop, scholarships or summer camps, Maxine could be counted on to be in the thick of things with all of her heart and soul.

A devoted member of the Fulton County RSVP, Maxine would annually crochet more than 200 sets of hats, scarves and mittens for seniors and friends in local nursing homes. She will be remembered at Christmas for the mountain of rolled oats canisters she collected for RSVP over the year to create the Santa decorations they made as a group project.

During her younger years, Maxine and Harry enjoyed dancing the night away at the Moose, Eagles or American Legion. Friends will recall this marvelous lady with the heart of the Energizer Bunny, insisting on cooking a delectable breakfast in the early morning hours prior to retiring for the night.

A baker, her creations of pineapple upside down cakes and chocolate fudge were unparalleled and highly sought after at the charity auctions. She found great joy in cooking and sharing her tasty treats with everyone.

Whether it was fishing on shimmering waters of Lake Manitou, the Marrow Pit or standing along the shores of the Tippecanoe, Maxine enjoyed relaxing while she fished for blue gill and crappie. Her cane pole was her favorite, but on some occasions she could be observed fishing with her casting rod.

With a twinkle in her eye, Maxine is remembered as a prankster. Practical jokes and one-liners were among the most frequently used in her repertoire.

A lover of dogs, Maxine bred and raised Pekingese. Her current canine companion, Precious, could be seen sharing her chair as she read or crocheted.

She enjoyed reading; mysteries and love stories were among her favorites. She crocheted custom-made afghans for family and close friends, once again illustrating her thoughtfulness for all of the
lives she touched. In recent years, Maxine became accomplished on the computer. Her forte was playing games, especially euchre, slots and solitaire.

Maxine leaves her loving family and loyal friends to cherish her memory.

She is survived by two sons, Larry Sayger, Rochester, and Michael Sayger and wife Barbara, Thurmont, Md.; two sisters, Melva Sanders, Rochester, and Betty Glentzer and husband Roy, Rochester; her canine companion, Precious the Pekingese; three grandchildren, Pamela Jean Breckenridge, Dean Winslow Sayger and Lincoln Edward Sayger; eight great-grandchildren; a sister-in-law Nancy Baker; brother-in-law Jack Sayger and wife Elenora; and special friends, Jimmy and Betty Tyler, Rochester. She was also preceded in death by her parents and 13 sisters and brothers.

A celebration of the life of Mrs. Nona Maxine "Short" Sayger will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with the Rev. George Hapner officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. today and one hour prior to her service. Maxine will be laid to rest next to her loving husband, Mr. Harry Sayger, in the Athens Hoover Cemetery. Military graveside rites will be conducted by the LeRoy Shelton American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars. Paramount in her life were the Eagles charities for kids - with that said, preferred memorials may be made to the Eagles charities allowing her one more opportunity to help area children. Electronic expressions of sympathy maybe made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Robert S. Stone
July 22, 1913-March 22, 2008

Robert S. STONER, age 94, of Peoria, Ill., died Saturday at 8:10 p.m. at Apostolic Christian Skylines in Peoria.

Born on July 22, 1913, in Rochester, the son of Norman and Mahala (Severns) Stoner. He married Jeannette B. Bryant on Feb. 19, 1939, in Rochester. She preceded him in death on April 21, 2005.
Surviving is one daughter, Bobbette Pickell of Peoria; one grandson, Michael (Stacy) Pickell of Washington; and three great-grandchildren, Allison, Kaitlyn and Courtney.

He was the founder of The Streamliner Restaurant in Rochester. He worked in hardware stores and the automotive industry before opening his own business, Stoner & Co., in Chicago in 1952. He moved to Elgin in 1948 and lived there with his wife until they retired to Peoria in 2000. A past president of the Elgin Shrine Club and the Elgin Izaak Walton League, he was active in the Elgin Model T Club and the United Church of Christ in Elgin, and at the Wheels O' Time Museum in Peoria.

Cremation rites have been accorded and a graveside service will be April 12 at Greenwood Cemetery near Greenwood, Ill. Arrangements are by Richard S. Wilton, funeral director, through Cumerford-Hurd Funeral Home, 428 W. McClure Avenue, Peoria, Ill. Memorials may be made to the church or a charity of the donor's choice. Online condolences may be submitted through www.cumerford.com.

Thursday, March 27, 2008

Viola Miller

Viola MILLER, 74, of 298 Indiana Ave., Argos, died at 1:10 p.m. Wednesday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

George E. Wagner

March 5, 1923-March 26, 2008

George E. WAGNER, 85, Hickory Creek of Rochester, formerly of rural Miami County, died at 9:38 p.m. Wednesday at Hickory Creek.

Born in Miami County, he was the son of George H. and Nellie M. Teel Wagner. He graduated from Gilead High School.

He was a farmer and also sold school buses for Kerlin Motors, Silver Lake.

He attended Ebenezer United Methodist Church.

He belonged to Lincoln Lodge No. 523, Macy; Knights of Pythias, Peru; Scottish Rite, Fort Wayne; and Mizpah Shrine, Fort Wayne. He served as a member of the Rochester Community School Board, and was a former president.

He loved to do woodworking and to fish.

Survivors include a daughter, Martha and husband David Roberts, Rochester; a son, Stephen R. and wife Marlene "Gaye" Wagner, Macy; five grandchildren, Megan Roberts, Susan Mookhram, Nelson E. Wagner, Tawnya M. Mason and Stephen G. Wagner; and 10 great-grandchildren. He was also preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Marjorie I. Wagner.

His funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Ebenezer United Methodist Church, Miami County Road 1100 North and Meridian Road. The Rev. George Hapner will officiate. Burial will be at Ebenezer Cemetery, Macy. Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with a masonic lodge service at 8 p.m. at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to Ebenezer church. Online condolences: www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

Friday, March 28, 2008

Viola 'Jean' Miller

Viola "Jean" MILLER, 74, of 298 Indiana Ave., Argos, died Wednesday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

Survivors include six daughters, Nina Hodges, Bald Knob, Ark., Susan Miller, Yorba Linda, Calif., Mary Conley, Argos, Brenda Rowe, Hemet, Calif., Melissa Littlejohn, Nucla, Colo., and Rebecca Miller, Argos; three sons, James Morack, Nucla, Colo., Roger Miller, New Richmond, and John Miller, Nucla, Colo.; four sisters, Dolly
Shireman, Loudenville, Ohio, Lorraine Balentine, Mojave, Calif., Laura Anderson, Carrington, Minn., and Clarice Gilchrest, Anaheim, Calif.; and a brother, John Alloway.

Private family services will be at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Saturday, March 29, 2008

**Homer Miller**

Homer MILLER, 56, Grovertown, died Thursday at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Survivors include his wife, Pam; a sister, Rita Mullins, Grovertown; and four brothers, Arnie Miller and Richard Miller of Grovertown, Raymond Miller of Salyersville, Ky., and Lee Miller, Bremen.

His funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Monday at Gospel Lighthouse Church, Delong, with visitation from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday and an hour before the service Monday at the church. Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet, is handling arrangements.

**Viola 'Jean' Miller**

Jan. 16, 1934-March 26, 2008

Viola "Jean" MILLER, 74, of 298 Indiana Ave., Argos, died at 1:10 p.m. Wednesday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

Born in Long Beach, Calif., she was the daughter of William Sherman and Lucy Hendrickson Alloway. She lived in Argos since 2007, when she moved from Nucla, Colo.

A homemaker, she enjoyed many crafts, needlepoint, quilting and doing puzzles. She was an avid backyard bird watcher and also liked parakeets. She cherished the time she spent with her grandchildren.

Survivors include six daughters, Nina Hodges and husband Joe, Bald Knob, Ark., Susan Miller, Yorba Linda, Calif., Mary Conley and husband Danny, Argos, Brenda Rowe and husband David, Hemet, Calif., Melissa Littlejohn and husband Duane, Nucla, Colo., and
Rebecca Miller, Argos; three sons, James Morack, Nucla, Colo., Roger Miller and wife Annie, New Richmond, and John Miller, Nucla, Colo.; four sisters, Dolly Shireman and husband Glen, Loudenville, Ohio, Lorraine Balentine, Mojave, Calif., Laura Anderson and husband Richard, Carrington, Minn., and Clarice Gilchrest and husband Don, Anaheim, Calif.; a brother, John Alloway; 24 grandchildren; 37 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

Private family services will be at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Burial will take place at a later date. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Monday, March 31, 2008

Marjorie Rose Nixon
March 25, 1920-March 29, 2008

Marjorie Rose NIXON, 88, of 1130 Fulton Ave., Rochester, passed away at 3:30 p.m. Saturday at her son's home in South Whitley.

She was born on March 25, 1920, in South Bend, the daughter of Edgar W. and Rose (Wasoski) Clay. On April 7, 1946, in Rochester, she married James W. Nixon. He preceded her in death on Aug. 30, 1967.

Mrs. Nixon worked at the former Birkway Supermarket and retired from Hart Schaffner & Marx. She was a member of the Trinity United Methodist Church, where she was a kindergarten Sunday School teacher, adult women's Sunday School teacher and in the choir for more than 60 years. She belonged to numerous bridge and euchre clubs over the years in Rochester. She enjoyed playing cards, gardening, especially tending to her flowers, sewing various items for family and friends, and was an avid Chicago Cubs fan.

Survivors include her daughter, Marianne Nixon, Rochester; son, Michael J. and wife Dottie Nixon, South Whitley; seven grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; sisters-in-law, Dorothy
Clay, Phoenix, Ariz., Mabel Daulton, Rochester; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; son, James Nixon; grandson, Patrick M. Walters; and brother, Herbert W. Clay.

Her funeral services will be at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Friends may call from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday and one hour prior to the service the day of the funeral. Burial will be in the Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester. Memorial contributions may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County, Kosciusko Home Care and Hospice or the Trinity United Methodist Church, Rochester. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

Cara Lynn Tucker

Cara Lynn TUCKER, 69, of 7348 S. Indiana 19, Mentone, died at 9:30 p.m. Sunday at Lutheran Hospital of Indiana, Fort Wayne.

Arrangements are pending at King Memorial Home, Mentone

Tuesday, April 1, 2008

Jordon 'Jo' Blumenthal

May 25, 1928-March 26, 2008

Jordon "Jo" BLUMENTHAL, 79, whose family operated a Main Street business here for 45 years, passed away in Aventura Hospital, North Miami Beach, Fla., at 10:35 p.m. Wednesday, March 26. He had been hospitalized the past three weeks for treatment of cancer.

He was born in Chicago on May 25, 1928, the only child of Max L. and Sadie Cohen Blumenthal. A 1945 graduate of Rochester High School, Jo's height won him the starting center position on one of Coach Clyde Lyle's final Zebra basketball teams.

His parents came to Rochester in 1939 to open a variety store known as The Trading Post at 708 Main St. Later, as Blumenthal's, it became widely known for its quality women's apparel and personalized customer service. The business closed in 1984 because
of Max's ill health and the family moved to North Miami Beach. Max died in 1993 at the age of 89, Sadie in 2000 at the age of 95.

Jordon was a student at Purdue University when he joined the Navy, serving at the Great Lakes Naval Training School near Chicago. Following World War II, he attended Indiana University two years before going to California where he graduated from UCLA. He and two friends worked as writers for film and television before Jordon returned here to manage the family business.

Blumenthal's sales personnel became well known to its customers. Two with the longest service as managers and in sales survive: Cora Bowers, 30 years, and Evelyn Miller, 28 years. Sadie once managed a national dress store chain and was Blumenthal's buyer and manager until succeeded by her son. Max spent much of his time in later years overseeing his dairy farm on Fort Wayne Road.

Jordon is survived by an uncle, Dr. Irving Blumenthal, Lakeview, Ill., and numerous cousins. Services were March 28 in Hollywood, Fla., followed by interment there.

Memorials may be made to the Fulton County Cancer Fund, Mrs. Parke Baxter, 978 W. Sixth St., or to Hope Hospice, 420 Main St.

Kenneth D. Draper Sr.


Kenneth D. DRAPER Sr., 72, McLean, Ill., formerly of Carroll County, died at 7:51 a.m. Sunday at Bromenn Medical Center at Bloomington-Normal, Ill.

Born on Dec. 15, 1935, in Idaville, he was the son of Leo and Felicia (Coppock) Draper. Kenneth attended Battle Ground High School. He served in the Army from 1958 to 1960 and was stationed in Germany.


Mr. Draper was a retired self-employed farmer. Prior to farming, he worked in the sheet metal shop at Purdue University. He enjoyed collecting memorabilia.
Survivors include his wife, Ruth A. Draper, McLean; two daughters, Cynthia Martin (Rusty) and Kimberly Dowell (Shannon) of Attica; two sons, Kenneth Duane Draper Jr., Fowler, and Van Draper, Danville; three brothers, Dean Draper (Arzella) and Don Draper (Dorothy) of Delphi and Wayne Draper (Betty) of Rochester; two sisters, Beth Ordiway (Gene), Monticello, and Jolinda Kerr (Kerly) Akron; four grandchildren; and one great-grandchild. He was preceded in death by his parents.

His funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Davidson Funeral Home, 121 N. Union St., Delphi, with Pastor Dan Jordan officiating. Burial will be at Pleasant Run Cemetery in Carroll County. Visitation will be from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital; envelopes are available at the funeral home. Online guestbook: www.davidsonfh.com.

Cara Lyn Tucker
Cara Lyn TUCKER, 69, of 7348 S. Indiana 19, Mentone, died Sunday at Lutheran Hospital of Indiana, Fort Wayne.
Survivors include two sons, Chad M. Tucker and Chan O. Tucker of Mentone, and a daughter, Cheri Mikesell, Zionsville.
Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday, April 7, at Beaver Dam United Methodist Church, Akron, with visitation from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday at King Memorial Home, Mentone.

Wednesday, April 2, 2008

Lyman Jones
Lyman JONES, 88, of 1205 Wabash Ave., Rochester, died at 7:35 a.m. today at Life Care Center, Rochester.
Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.
Ruby Mae Abraham  

Ruby Mae ABRAHAM, 71, died Saturday at Oakbend Medical Center, Texas City, Texas, while visiting family.

She lived in Warsaw for 20 years. Previously, she lived in Silver Lake, the North Manchester area, South Bend and was originally from the Rochester area.

She was born on Jan. 30, 1937, in Winamac, to Charles and Martha (Zimpleman) McCrackin. She graduated from South Bend Riley High School.


She retired from Zimmer Inc., Warsaw, after almost 20 years of service.

An avid crafter, she enjoyed giving her handmade items to friends and family. She also spent a great deal of time caring for elderly relatives and friends.

She is survived by a son, Donald (Julie) Abraham, Berwyn, Ill.; two grandchildren, Lillian Abraham and Sophia Abraham, Berwyn; a sister-in-law, Doreen McCrackin, Richmond, Texas; nieces and nephews, Terry (Belinda) McCrackin, Craig McCrackin, Jan McCrackin, Bill (Debbie) Elliott, Kelly McCrackin, Terri (Philipp) Krauss, Steve (Wilmel) Elliott; 13 grandnieces and grandnephews; and five great-grandnieces and great-grandnephews. She is also survived by many other family and friends; especially dear were Fred and Kathrin Stewart and their children, Elliot and Madeline, as Fred was like a second son to her. Her companion and pet dog, Molly, also survives her.

She was also preceded in death by her brother, William McCrackin, and great-nephew, Christopher McCrackin.

Her funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at Titus Funeral Home, Warsaw, with the Rev. J.P. Freeman of the Congregational Christian Church of North Manchester officiating. Visitation will be
from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. Burial will be at Fairview Cemetery, Servia.

**Lyman Everett Jones**

Sept. 15, 1919-April 2, 2008

Lyman Everett JONES, 88, of 1205 Wabash Ave., Rochester, died at 7:35 a.m. Wednesday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

Born in Peru on Sept. 15, 1919, he was the son of Harvey and Ethel Housma Jones.

On his 20th birthday, Sept. 19, 1939, Lyman took the hand of his beautiful bride Daisy Christine Wray. Their marriage spanned 68 1/2 years and yielded many wonderful memories and three sons, James, Donald and Jerry. Over the years, the family tree expanded, as the Joneses were blessed with the addition of seven grandchildren, five great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

A man with a remarkable work ethic, Lyman worked with the road construction companies McMahan O'Connor, now known as E & B Paving Inc. Over the years, he developed many close relationships with the crews on which he was a member. Lyman, forever young, retired at age 86 in 2006 as a quality control manager for the asphalt division.

An active member of the Trinity United Methodist Church, Lyman served as trustee, usher and on the administrative board. He truly loved his church.

He enjoyed hitting the links at the Rochester Elks and Mill Creek golf courses. An angler, Lyman fished the sparkling waters of Lake Manitou for blue gill and crappie.

Accomplished as a ham radio operator, Lyman's call number was N9PVP. Paramount as a hobby was the meticulous yard he manicured surrounding his home. He was proud of his skills with lawn care and the flower gardens he and Daisy maintained.

He is survived by his wife, Daisy Jones, at home; three sons, James E. Jones, Sanford, N.C., Donald M. Jones and wife Geneva, Jackson, Ky., and Jerry L. Jones and wife Tani, Riverton, Utah; seven grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; a
brother, Vern Jones and wife Bonnie, Logansport; a sister, Juanita Johnson, Flora; and a special friend, Doug Blackburn, South Bend. He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Kenneth Jones.

A celebration of the life of Mr. Lyman Everett Jones will be at 10 a.m. Friday at Good Family Funeral Home with Pastor Buck Padilla officiating. Interment will follow at Rochester's IOOF Cemetery. Friends may visit with his family from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. today and one hour prior to services on Friday. Preferred memorials in lieu of flowers may be made to the Trinity United Methodist Church in his memory. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Joy G. Krull
Joy G. KRULL, 66, of 7229 17th Road, Argos, died at 4:30 a.m. today at home.

Arrangements are pending at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

Donald D. Mann
Nov. 25, 1938-April 2, 2008

Services for Staff Sgt. Donald D. MANN, 69, Rochester, formerly of Lucerne, will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Marocco Funeral Chapel, 119 E. Market St., Logansport.

He passed away at 2:54 a.m. Wednesday at Memorial Hospital of South Bend.

Born Nov. 25, 1938, in Durham, N.C., he was the son of the late Herman and Christine (Barnwell) Mann.

Donald was a retired U.S. Army Staff Sergeant and Vietnam veteran. He retired after 23 years in the service. He most recently retired in 2003 from the Logansport State Hospital after 20 years.

He enjoyed spending time with family and was an avid baseball fan.

Survivors include his wife, Janice M. (Lisenko) Mann, Rochester; two daughters, Donna and Christine of California; stepson, Harry A. Batson and wife Karen, Rochester; stepdaughters, Robyn M.
Kidder and husband Jason, Rochester, and Michelle A. Kocherderfer, Ohio; brother, Michael Bruce Mann; 16 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Calling will be from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday at Marocco Funeral Chapel. Burial with full military rites will be conducted at Zion Cemetery, Culver. The Rev. Johnny Thompson will officiate at the service. Memorial contributions may be made to the M.S. Society, 7301 Georgetown, Ste. 112, Indianapolis, IN 46268. Online condolences may be made to the Mann family at www.maroccofc.com.

Cara Lyn Tucker

Cara Lyn TUCKER, 69, of 7348 S. Indiana 19, Mentone, died at 9:30 p.m. Sunday at Lutheran Hospital of Indiana, Fort Wayne.

A lifetime area resident, she was born in Kosciusko County on Jan. 5, 1939, to Walter and Eileen A. (Mollenhour) Fenstermaker Koenig. She graduated from Etna Green High School.


A homemaker, she was a member of Beaver Dam United Methodist Church. She was dedicated to the church, was a member of its United Methodist Women, and served on many committees. She was also a former director of the Order of Eastern Star and a member of the Kosciusko Community Foundation board. She belonged to the Daughters of the American Revolution. She served as a 4-H club leader and was an active 4-H mother and grandmother.

She is survived by two sons, Chad M. and wife Lisa Tucker and Chan O. and wife Nicole Tucker of Mentone; a daughter, Cheri and husband Andy Mikesell, Zionsville; seven grandchildren, Charles, Bethany, Karis, Sarah and Luke Tucker and Logan and Brenden Mikesell; her mother-in-law, Mary Tucker Bucher, Mentone; and a sister-in-law, JoAnn and husband Michael Williams, Atwood. She also was preceded in death by her parents and stepfather, Ped Koenig.
Her funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday at Beaver Dam United Methodist Church, Akron, with the Rev. Butch Troke officiating. A remembrance place will be at Mentone Cemetery, Mentone. Visitation will be from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone. Memorials may be made to the church and the Charles Tucker Memorial Scholarship. Online condolences: www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

Friday, April 4, 2008

Philip B. Hurst
June 13, 1927-April 3, 2008

Philip B. HURST, 80, Macy, passed away at 1 a.m. Thursday, April 3, 2008, at his residence.

Born June 13, 1927, in Rochester, he was the son of Blaine J. and Edna K. McFadden Hurst. On Feb. 17, 1951, in Claypool, he was married to Gayle Carrothers, and she preceded him in death on May 11, 2006.

Phil was a farmer and a member of Liberty Baptist Church in Rochester. He was a licensed pilot for more than 40 years and a member of the Mentone Flying Club. He served his community as a school board member and on various other county boards.

Survivors include two sons, David P. Hurst and wife Liane, and Andrew B. Hurst, all of Macy; three daughters, LuAnn E. Hurst, Pierceton, Libby E. Working and husband Jeff, Macy, and Sarah E. Bonesteel and husband Bob, Greentown; grandchildren, Anna, Seth, Brandon, Brittany, Kirstie and Shania Hurst, Wesley, Jeremy, Diane and Bobby Lantz, and Addison, Jacob, Ryley and Maggie Working, and Sariya and Elijah Bonesteel, and several great-grandchildren; and one sister, Jane Bell, Bryan, Ohio.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Liberty Baptist Church, Rochester, with Pastor Todd Kauffman and Pastor Lawrence See officiating. Burial will follow in Plainview Cemetery, Macy. Friends may call from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver, and one hour prior to the services Tuesday at the
church. Memorials may be made to Liberty Baptist Church, Rochester.

**Joy G. Krull**

Joy G. KRULL, 66, of 7229 17th Road, Argos, died Thursday at home.

Survivors include a daughter, Barbara Williams, Argos; two brothers, Bill Filson and John Filson of Plymouth; and a sister, Phyllis Bachtel, Plymouth.

Services will be at 3 p.m. Sunday at Argos United Methodist Church with visitation at the church Saturday from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to services. Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos, is handling arrangements.

**Charles Robert 'Bob' Simonson**

Charles Robert "Bob" SIMONSON, 77, of 129 E. 14th St., Rochester, passed away at 4:20 a.m. today at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

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

**Juanita M. Wagoner**

Juanita M. WAGONER, 79, Rochester, died at 3:30 a.m. today at Life Care Center, Rochester.

Arrangements are pending at Van Gilder Funeral Home, Plymouth.

Saturday, April 5, 2008

**Joy G. Krull**

Joy G. KRULL, 66, of 7229 17th Road, Argos, died Thursday at home.

Survivors include a daughter, Barbara Williams, Argos; two brothers, Bill Filson and John Filson of Plymouth; and a sister, Phyllis Bachtel, Plymouth.
Services will be at 3 p.m. Sunday at Argos United Methodist Church with visitation at the church Saturday from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to services. Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos, is handling arrangements.

**Linda Lou Rich**

Linda Lou RICH, 70, of Peru, died Thursday at Wabash County Hospital.

Survivors include a son, Robert Rich, Culver, and a daughter, Kimberly Larson, Carmel.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday at New Life United Methodist Church, Mexico. Friends may call at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home in Peru from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Monday.

**Charles Robert ‘Bob’ Simonson**

July 24, 1930-April 4, 2008

Charles Robert “Bob” SIMONSON 77, of 129 E. 14th St., Rochester, passed away at 4:20 a.m. Friday, April 4, 2008, at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

He was born on July 24, 1930 in Waukegan, Ill., the son of Albert and Bessie (Harr) Simonson. He grew up and lived in Gurnee, Ill. until moving to Rochester, in 1961. Mr. Simonson was a U.S. Marine stationed in Japan during the Korean Conflict. In 1955, he married Christine Hart and she survives.

Mr. Simonson was manager at Empire Gas, Rochester, for over thirty years, retiring in 2005. He was a member of the Conservation Club, National Rifle Association, and had been president and a coach in the Rochester Little League. He enjoyed target practicing, collecting guns, the Chicago Cubs, Chicago Bears and Indiana University basketball.

Survivors include, his wife Christine Simonson, Rochester; sons, Jeff Simonson, Fairbanks, Alaska, Brian and “Shari” Simonson, Rochester, Brett and “Suzie” Simonson, Nixa, Mo., Jay Simonson, Addison, Texas; grandchildren Alexandra Simonson, Nixa, Mo.; Kirk Simonson, Nixa, Mo.; a sister Ruth Satterfield, Waukegan, Ill.,
brother-in-law Kay and wife Charlene Hart, Lakeland, Fla.; numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and father-in-law and mother-in-law, Chalmer and Marjorie Hart.

Private services will be observed. Burial will be in the Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester. Memorial contributions may be made to the conservation Club. Arrangements by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

Monday, April 7, 2008

Jane E. Kitterman Ashley
Feb. 21, 1923-April 4, 2008

Jane E. Kitterman ASHLEY, 85, departed this life Friday, April 4, 2008.

She was born on Feb. 21, 1923, in Shirley, Ind., and was the daughter of Vernis and Eva Jane Pusey Kitterman. She graduated from Kennard High School and attended Ball State University. She lived in Hancock County, Indiana, and then moved to Fort Wayne in 1966.

She worked at Frank's and Stillman's Department Stores in downtown Fort Wayne. She later worked at Indiana Bank and Summit Bank and retired in 1986. After her retirement, she enjoyed spending time with her family and especially her grandchildren.

She was a 50-year member of the Order of the Eastern Star, 4-H member for 10 years, and volunteer leader for several years. She was an accomplished seamstress and had a passion for patchwork and quilting. She enjoyed sewing for her daughters, and grandchildren.

She attended New Haven and Good Shepherd United Methodist Churches.

She is survived by three daughters, Penny (Gary) Troutman of Rochester, Becki Emenhiser and Michelle Dunten of Fort Wayne; and grandchildren, Ryan, Marc and Katie Troutman, Lydia and Stephanie Emenhiser, and Amy, Kara and Joel Dunten. She was preceded in death by her parents and a brother, Robert V. Kitterman.
Her service is 10 a.m. Wednesday at D.O. McComb & Sons Maplewood Park Funeral Home, 4017 Maplecrest Road, with calling one hour prior. The Rev. Phillip R. Emerson will officiate. Calling is also from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to Allen County 4-H Clubs Inc. or the donor's choice.

**Betty Jane Ritter**

Jan. 25, 1925-April 4, 2008

Betty Jane RITTER, 83, of 322 Ohio St., Rochester, went to be with the Lord at 10:35 p.m. Friday at the Argos home of her daughter and son-in-law, Ruth and Donald Bean.

She was born on Jan. 25, 1925, in Plymouth, the daughter of Bina and Lula (Hall) Nitcher. On Nov. 2, 1940, in South Bend, she married Bishop Armond A. Ritter. He preceded her in death on Feb. 8, 1990.

Mrs. Ritter retired from Hart, Schaffner & Marx and worked as a cook for Pizza Hut after her retirement. She delivered papers for The Rochester Sentinel and worked for Blue Bell in Nappanee.

Prior to coming to Rochester, Mrs. Ritter and her husband pastored churches in Bremen and Peru. She was a member of the Pentecostal Churches of America, the Apostolic World Christian Fellowship and a member of the Apostolic Pentecostal Church, Rochester, for 45 years.

Her hobbies included sewing, baking, cooking and gardening. She will be remembered for her generosity in putting on church dinners, preparing food and clothes to be sent overseas to less fortunate people, and always sending cards of encouragement to family and friends. The Ritter family is grateful to the Rochester community for allowing Bishop Armond and Betty Ritter the opportunity to be servants of the community.

Survivors include her children, sons, Bishop Richard Ritter Sr. and wife Annetta Ritter, Rochester, Pastor Robert and wife Carol Ritter Sr., Rochester, daughters, Ruth and husband Donald Bean, Argos, Carole Jones, Rochester, Martha and husband Rufus Buckner,
Rochester; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; sisters, Virginia Spencer, Plymouth, and Lula Wallace, Argos. She was preceded in death by her parents, brother, three sisters, grandson, and a great-grandson.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with Elder Charles W. Warfield III officiating. Friends may call from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday and one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Burial will be in the Tippecanoe Cemetery, Tippecanoe. Memorial contributions may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County. The Ritter family would personally like to thank Hope Hospice of Fulton County, Darin Beeker and Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home for their compassionate care and service during Betty's illness and passing. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

Juanita M. Wagoner

Juanita M. WAGONER, 79, of 13th Street, Rochester, died Friday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

Survivors include sons, Gregory Wagoner of Indianapolis, Mark Wagoner of Greensboro, N.C., Philip Wagoner of Greenwood, and Todd Wagoner of Taylorville, Illinois; and her sister, Claudine, of Plymouth.

Funeral services will be at noon Friday at Van Gilder Funeral Home, Plymouth, with visitation from 10 a.m. until the service.

Victoria Bell Russell

April 3, 1949-April 5, 2008

Victoria Bell McGlothin RUSSELL returned peacefully to her Heavenly Father on Saturday, April 5, 2008, at 9:56 p.m., surrounded by family at home after fighting a yearlong illness.

She was born on April 3, 1949, to Wilma and Woodie McGlothin. She married William Everett "Bill" Russell on Sept. 20, 1969, in Leiters Ford and was sealed at the LDS Temple in Salt Lake City, Utah, on Oct. 20, 1971. Bill and Vicky have three children: a son, Scott and wife Kellie Russell, children Claire, Madeline, Laura,
Jessica, Katelin and Evelyn of Plain City, Utah; and two daughters, Gretchen and husband Scott Johnson, children Michael, Renae, Rebekah and Elizabeth, and Haidee and husband Michael Temme, children Zachary, Russell and Alexandra, all of Leiters Ford.

Bill and Vicky opened their home and hearts to many. Extended children and grandchildren include Kristina Risner, children Ashley and Richard, Richard Ganshow, Karla and husband Mitch Rutledge, children Linda and Andres, all of Kentucky, Rob and Kira Bettcher, children Andi and Robby of Winamac, and foreign exchange daughter Jantje Roder of Germany.

Besides her family, Vicky leaves behind sisters Pat Plothow, Leiters Ford, and Bettie and husband Ron, Kewanna, a brother-in-law Norman with wife Lane Wagoner, Sheridan, with several nieces and nephews.

Preceding her in death: parents, Wilma and Woodie McGlothin; in-laws, Everett and Pauline Russell; brother-in-law, Fritz Plothow; and sisters-in-law, Barbara Wagoner and Rebecca Nelson.

For the past 29 years, Vicky worked at Culver Academies, where she was known by many as "Mother Russell." Work was much more than a job for her. Vicky was involved with a mentoring program, "teen talk," and involved with many students, getting them into the college of their choice and much more. She was an active and energetic member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, where she fulfilled many callings, and she enjoyed the social activity of the Red Hatters of Fulton County.

A celebration of the life of Victoria Bell "Vicky" Russell will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, April 9, at the Legion Memorial Chapel at the Culver Academies. President William Tincher will officiate. (The Chapel is on the north side of the Academy just off Indiana 10.) The Leiters Ford Cemetery is the site of interment. Friends may visit with the family at the Good Family Funeral Home on Tuesday from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. and at the chapel one hour prior to her services. Preferred memorials in lieu of flowers may be made to the Aubbee Relay for Life Team. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.
Phyllis Anita Short
Aug. 13, 1936-April 6, 2008

Phyllis Anita SHORT, 71, of 1306 Monroe St., Rochester, died at 7:55 a.m. Sunday at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Born in Rochester, she was the daughter of Lloyd and Hazel Wolfe Wideman. A lifetime Rochester resident, she married Andrew Jackson Short on Nov. 15, 1969, in Metea, Cass County. He preceded her in death in 2000.

A homemaker, she enjoyed writing, keeping in contact with her pen pals and working jigsaw puzzles. The time she spent with her grandchildren was cherished.

Survivors include two daughters, Angela McIntosh and husband Paul and Jacqueline Gross and husband Franklin of Rochester; a son, Andrew Jackson Short II of Indianapolis; six grandchildren, Shelby, Drake and Daulton Gross, Chelsea and Zachary Short and Sarah McIntosh; and a brother, Paul Wideman and wife Barbara of Mississippi. She also was preceded in death by her parents.

Her funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Debbie Rennier officiating. Burial will be at Citizens Cemetery, Rochester. Friends may visit with the family one hour prior to the service. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Tuesday, April 8, 2008

Marie V. Benner

Marie V. BENNER, 83, died at 6:52 a.m. today at Miller’s Merry Manor, 730 School St., Culver.

Arrangements are pending at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.
Rea Steen Dubuisson

Rea Steen DUBUISSON died Friday, March 28, 2008, at St. Dominic-Jackson Memorial Hospital, Jackson, Miss. She was 87.

Mrs. Dubuisson was the daughter of the late Plezant L. and Cleo Mae Stifle Steen. She and her husband, Robert, lived in Vicksburg, Miss., before moving to New Orleans, La. After his death, she lived in Birmingham, Ala., near her daughter, Deborah. Four years ago, she moved back to Vicksburg.

She was a visual tech for Adema Vision Clinic for 20 years. She was a member of Oak Park Baptist Church in New Orleans. In Vicksburg, she attended the Ladies Bible Club at the First Presbyterian Church.

Rea was also preceded in death by her parents; one sister, Fay Jacks; and one brother, William Steen.

She is survived by three daughters, Deborah (Steve) Culbertson of Vicksburg, Robin (Michael) Wild of Diamond Head, La., and Alisa (Robert) Redweik of Tomball, Texas; two brothers, Leo Steen and Gene Steen, both of Vicksburg; three sisters, Betty Gillis of Vicksburg, D.D. Stalling of Baton Rouge, La., and Jane Kennedy of Boswell, Pa.; eight grandchildren, Shay Michelle Culbertson, Courtney Renee Culbertson Harrington, Hayley Allison Redweik, Madison Taylor Redweik, Kirsten Renee Redweik, Lanier Michelle Redweik, Shelby Renee Wild and Nikki Marie Wild; one great-granddaughter, Ava Rea Harrington.

Services were at 2 p.m. Monday, March 31, at Frank J. Fisher Funeral Home, with Dr. Russell McIntyre officiating. Burial followed in Green Acres Cemetery. Visitation was Sunday, March 30, from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Pallbearers were Kelly Kavanaugh, David Gillis, Chris Gillis, Mike Gillis, Mark Steen, Glen Fournet, Allen Booth and Bill Stalling.

Condolences may be sent to Robert and Alisa Redweik & Family, 20624 Hufsmith-Kohsville, Tomball, TX 77375.

Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association, Gideons International or your favorite charity.
Wednesday, April 9, 2008

Juanita M. Wagoner
Oct. 1, 1928-April 4, 2008

Juanita M. WAGONER, age 79, of 13th Street, Rochester, passed away at 3:45 a.m. on Friday at Life Care Center in Rochester.

Juanita was born on Oct. 1, 1928, in Bremen, to Claude and Frances (Fetters) Booker. Juanita and Robert D. Wagoner were married in Plymouth on Dec. 29, 1945. The Wagoners owned and operated a coin laundry, Wagoner Radiator and Wag's TV and Appliances in Rochester.

Juanita and Robert raised their four sons together. They were residents of the Rochester area since 1950 and attended the First Baptist Church, Rochester, since then. Juanita was a loving and caring wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. She enjoyed antiques, swinging on the porch, cleaning house, bowling, card club with her friends, family activities, playing dominoes with her grandchildren and eating her favorite "Flagpole" ice cream.

Juanita is survived by her sons, Gregory Wagoner of Indianapolis, Mark and Cindy Wagoner of Greensboro, N.C., Philip and Terri Wagoner of Greenwood, and Todd Wagoner of Taylorville, Ill.; her grandchildren, Cyle (Chris) Wagoner, Cory Wagoner, Paige Wagoner, Ty Wagoner, Eric Wagoner, Patrick Wagoner, Kaitlyn Wagoner and Alyssa Wagoner; one great-grandchild, Evan; and her sister, Claudine, of Plymouth. She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert D. Wagoner, and two infant sons.

Funeral services for Juanita will be at noon on Friday, April 11, at Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, with Rev. Mark Spencer officiating. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth. A time of visiting with the Wagoner family will be on Friday from 10 a.m. until noon at Van Gilder Funeral Home. The family requests, in lieu of flowers, memorial contributions be given to the Alzheimer's Services of Northern Indiana, 922 E. Colfax Avenue, South Bend, IN 46617 or Southern Care Hospice, 310 W. McKinley Avenue, Mishawaka, IN 46565. Friends and family are

Lloyd M. Weaver

Lloyd M. WEAVER, 80, of 4024 W. 1550 North, Macy, died at 6 a.m. today at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.
Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

Ida Shafer

Ida SHAFER, 103, Wynnfield Crossing, 1729 Wabash Ave., Rochester, died at 4:15 a.m. today at Wynnfield.
Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Marie Vera Benner (Pesak)
Feb. 3, 1925-April 8, 2008
Marie V. BENNER (Pesak), 83, formerly of Rochester, died on Tuesday, April 8, 2008, at Miller's Merry Manor in Culver, Ind.
Marie was a resident of Fulton, Marshall and Starke counties for more than 50 years. Previously, she resided in Chicago, Ill.
Born to Andrew and Madga Kock in the Czech Republic, she was the fourth of six children. On May 30, 1948, in Germany, she was married to Karl Pesak, who preceded her in death on May 23, 1977.
Survivors include seven loving and devoted children, Maria Mangun and husband Donald of Milford, Ind.; Robert Pesak and wife Kathy of Hermitage, Tenn.; Karl Pesak Jr. and wife Jenean of Mishawaka, Ind.; Tony Pesak and wife Deborah of Charleston, S.C.; Marcella Boener and husband John of Plymouth, Ind.; Milton Pesak and wife Kathryn of Rochester, Ind.; and Andrew Pesak of Chicago, Ill. A surviving sister, Magda Vasak, resides in Ontario, Canada. Marie was blessed with numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren who loved their grandmother dearly.
Marie was a long-time member of the Seventh-Day Adventist Church of Rochester and a 29-year employee of Hart, Schaffner & Marx Corporation. Cooking, gardening and exercise-walking were
among her favorite activities, as well as contributing to various charitable organizations. More than anything in her life, she loved her Lord, her children and her grandchildren.

Visitation and graveside services will be held privately for family members with burial at the IOOF Cemetery of Rochester. Contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 601 W. Edison, Mishawaka, IN 46545, or the American Diabetic Association, Attn: Barbara Carter, 6415 Castleway W. Drive, Suite 114, Indianapolis, IN 46250. Electronic condolences may be sent to the family at memorials@earl-grossmanfuneral.com. Arrangements have been entrusted with the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

Thursday, April 10, 2008

Ida Carol Gordon Shafer
May 24, 1904-April 9, 2008

Ida Carol Gordon SHAFER, 103, formerly of 5556 N. Indiana 25, Rochester, died at 4:15 a.m. Wednesday at Wynnfield Crossing, Rochester.

She was born in Fulton County to Frank and Sophia Tetzlaff Gordon and was a lifetime resident of the county.


Fulton County's eldest citizen, Ida accomplished many things during her lifetime spanning more than a century. As a youngster attending Rochester High School, Ida traveled to school driving her horse and buggy. At the age of 101, she was proud of holding an Indiana driver's license and loved driving her blue Buick. She liked to travel across the country from coast to coast.

Ida enjoyed being a homemaker. She was an excellent seamstress, sewing for five generations. For many summers, her garden yielded produce she canned and froze for her family. One of her greatest joys was the flower gardens in her yard that many admired.
An avid reader, Ida looked forward to reading stories about our county's past authored by Mr. Jack K. Overmyer in The Rochester Sentinel. Amish books and novels were among her favorite books.

She was a member of Walnut Church of the Brethren since 1927.

Survivors include a daughter, Betty Rouch and husband Marvin, Rochester; a son, Arthur Shafer and wife Marilyn, Elkhart; six grandchildren, David Shafer, Gary Shafer, Sandra Wallin, Karen Beck, Carol Ann Rouch and Patricia Rahrig; six great-grandchildren; her brother, Lester Gordon, Rochester; and several nieces and nephews. Preceding her in death with her parents and husband were an infant daughter, Carol June; three sisters, Pauline Cranmer, Josephine Warner and Mabel Umbaugh; and three brothers, Howard Gordon, Arthur Gordon and Carl Gordon.

Her funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with the Rev. Robert Rice officiating. Burial will be at IOOF Cemetery, Rochester. Friends may visit with the family from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday and one hour prior to the service Saturday. Memorials may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County or the Walnut Church of the Brethren Ladies Aid. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Lloyd M. Weaver
June 18, 1927-April 9, 2008

Lloyd M. WEAVER, 80, formerly of 4024 W. 1550 North, Macy, and a resident of Hickory Creek of Rochester for more than three years, passed away at 6 a.m. Wednesday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Born in White County, he was the son of David and Ethel Suitor Weaver. A member of the U.S. Army, he served in World War II.

On Dec. 11, 1954, he married Glova M. Poisel in Tracy, and she survives.
Stephen A. Farner
April 23, 1939-April 9, 2008

Stephen A. FARNER, 68, of 1630 S. County Farm Road, Warsaw, died at 11:33 a.m. Wednesday at Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw.

Born on April 23, 1939, in Ashland, Ohio, he was the son of Donald W. and Betty Jane (Hart) Farner. He graduated from White Swan High School in Washington state in 1957. He lived in the Warsaw area most of his life.
On June 21, 1958, in Michigan, he married Carolyn Adams. He worked for Depuy and Sofamor Danek, where he was director of manufacturing until 1994. From 1994 to 2003, he was the owner of Macrotek, Warsaw.

He was a craftsman, loved cars and was an auto racing enthusiast.

Survivors include his wife, Carolyn Farner, Warsaw; two daughters, Stephanie and husband Randy Schmucker, Warsaw, and Angela and husband Robert Hansen, Johnsburg, Ill.; a son, James Farner and wife Debbie, Tuscumbia, Ala.; two brothers, Donald G. Farner, Butler, Ohio, and Timothy H. Farner, Columbus, Ohio; his mother, Betty Jane Farner, Columbus, Ohio; 10 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his father and grandparents, Ream V. and Ruth Hart.

His funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at McHatton-Sadler Funeral Chapel, Warsaw, with Pastor Brian Koorey officiating. Burial will be at Oakwood Cemetery, Warsaw. Visitation is from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. today at the funeral home. To sign the guestbook or send condolences electronically, go to mchattonsadlerfuneralchapel.com.

Saturday, April 12, 2008

Samuel Edward Carlton
April 6, 1921-April 10, 2008


He was born in Macedonia, Ill., on April 6, 1921, to Marshall and Ethel Gibbs Carlton. He graduated from McLeansboro, Ill., High School in 1940. He served as an airplane mechanic in the Air Force during World War II. When he returned from the military, he married his grade school sweetheart Martha Louise Miller. He then attended McKendree College in Lebanon, Ill., and then seminary at Christian Theological Seminary in Indianapolis, graduating in 1955.
As a First United Methodist minister, he pastored at churches in Bridgeport, Brazil, Plymouth, Elkhart, Rochester, Griffith and Lafayette. He retired from full-time ministry in 1986. After retirement, he served as an associate minister for churches in Dyer, Brownsburg, Pendleton, Fort Wayne and Farmland.

He was also a member of the Brazil Rotary Club, member of the board of directors for the Methodist Nursing Home in Frankfort, Council of Finance and Administration (CFA) as well as a member of the trustees for the North Indiana Conference of the United Methodist Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Alberta Carlton; and brother, Robert Carlton.

Survivors include his wife, Louise; children, Jim and Nedra Carlton, Jan and Doug Anderson, Joan Zimmerman and Dennis Burch; grandchildren, Dianna Carlton, Jana Johnson, Melissa Osner, Mark Anderson, Bradley Zimmerman, Meredith Anderson, Mathew Zimmerman, Molly Chasteen; great-grandchildren, Nathanial and Zion Osner, Grant Johnson, Marah Osner, Elsa Anderson, Silas Chasteen; and a brother, Don Carlton; as well as many friends, parishioners and extended family members.

Services will be at the First United Methodist Church, Brazil, Wednesday at 10 a.m. with Bishop Michael Coyner, Dr. Douglas T. Anderson and Pastor Tony Alstott officiating. Burial will follow at Clearview Cemetery, Brazil. Visitation will be at Lawson-Miller Chapel, Brazil, from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. today and again Wednesday from 9 a.m. until the time of services.

John A. Gorcki

John A. GORECKI, 91, (Wynnfield Crossing) 1729 Wabash Avenue, Rochester, passed away at 11:30 P.M. Thursday April 10, 2008 at his residence.

He was born on November 23, 1916 in Chicago, Ill., the son of Frank and Catherine Gorecki.

Survivors include his wife, Cecil Gorecki, Rochester; Daughters, Barbara Pluta, Seguin, Texas, Susan Godzik, Glenview,
Ill., Carolyn Johannsen, Melvin, Ill., Sandra Wehlus, Prospect Heights, Ill., eight grandchildren, seven great grandchildren, one great-great grandchild.

Services will be conducted at 10 a.m. Monday at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Gilman, Ill. with the Rev. John Balluff officiating. Friends may call from 4 p.m. – 7 p.m. Sunday at Knapp Funeral Home, Onarga, Ill.

Local arrangements by Zimmerman Bros., Funeral Home, Rochester, Indiana. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

Monday, April 14, 2008

**Bernita ‘Ann’ Crispen Miller**

Bernita “Ann” Crispen MILLER, 69, of 3660 S. 500 East, Rochester, died at 5:50 p.m. Saturday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Clarence A. Tignor**

Sept. 3, 1934-April 11, 2008

Clarence A. TIGNOR, 73, of 515 Northgate, Rochester, and formerly of Akron, passed away at 6:20 p.m. Friday at Seton Specialty Hospital in Lafayette.


Mr. Tignor worked for Pike Lumber Company, Akron, for more than 20 years and retired from Quality Hardwoods in North Manchester. He was an avid fisherman, enjoyed traveling, hiking and walking.
Survivors include his wife, Betty Tignor, Rochester; son, Johnny and wife Angela Tignor, Winona Lake; grandchild, Deondre Adkins, Winona Lake; mother, Kelly Elizabeth Tignor, Big Stone Gap, Va.; stepchildren, Randy and wife Chris Sutton, Rochester, Rick Sutton, Rochester, Jeff and wife Elaine Sutton, Fulton; stepgrandchildren, Jarrett Sutton, Rochester, Kylee Sutton, Fulton, Levi Sutton, Fulton, Shelly Isley, Warsaw; and sisters, Martha and husband Dellis Boggs, Lebanon, and Mae Jeanette Higer of Big Stone Gap, Va. He was preceded in death by his father and brother, Joe Tignor.

His funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with the Rev. Bob Brown officiating. Burial will follow at the Akron Cemetery in Akron. Friends may call at the funeral home from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday and one hour prior to the service on Wednesday. Memorial contributions may be made to the National Kidney Foundation. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

Tuesday, April 15, 2008

Samuel Edward Carlton
April 6, 1921-April 10, 2008


He was born in Macedonia, Ill., on April 6, 1921, to Marshall and Ethel Gibbs Carlton. He graduated from McLeansboro, Ill., High School in 1940. He served as an airplane mechanic in the Air Force during World War II. When he returned from the military, he married his grade school sweetheart Martha Louise Miller. He then attended Mckendree College in Lebanon, Ill., and then seminary at Christian Theological Seminary in Indianapolis, graduating in 1955.

As a First United Methodist minister, he pastored at churches in Bridgeport, Brazil, Plymouth, Elkhart, Rochester, Griffith and Lafayette. He retired from full-time ministry in 1986. After
retirement, he served as an associate minister for churches in Dyer, Brownsburg, Pendleton, Fort Wayne and Farmland.

He was also a member of the Brazil Rotary Club, member of the board of directors for the Methodist Nursing Home in Frankfort, Council of Finance and Administration (CFA) as well as a member of the trustees for the North Indiana Conference of the United Methodist Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Alberta Carlton; and brother, Robert Carlton.

Survivors include his wife, Louise; children, Jim and Nedra Carlton, Jan and Doug Anderson, Joan Zimmerman and Dennis Burch; grandchildren, Dianna Carlton, Jana Johnson, Melissa Osner, Mark Anderson, Bradley Zimmerman, Meredith Anderson, Mathew Zimmerman, Molly Chasteen; great-grandchildren, Nathanial and Zion Osner, Grant Johnson, Marah Osner, Elsa Anderson, Silas Chasteen; and a brother, Don Carlton; as well as many friends, parishioners and extended family members.

Services will be at the First United Methodist Church, Brazil, Wednesday at 10 a.m. with Bishop Michael Coyner, Dr. Douglas T. Anderson and Pastor Tony Alstott officiating. Burial will follow at Clearview Cemetery, Brazil. Visitation will be at Lawson-Miller Chapel, Brazil, from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. today and again Wednesday from 9 a.m. until the time of services.

William Frushour

William “Bill” FRUSHOUR, 86, Lucerene, died at 4:45 a.m. today at the Chase Center, Logansport.

Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Royal Center.

Bernita 'Ann' Crispen Miller

Bernita “Ann” Crispen MILLER, 69, of 3660 S. 500 East, Rochester died Saturday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Survivors include her husband, George Miller, at home; three daughters, Deborah Mills, Rochester, Carin Ringle, Fort Campbell,
Ky., Ellen Felts, Rochester, a son, Kevin Crispen, Rochester; a sister, Marjorie DeWitt, Logansport; and two brothers, Lewis “Bob” Shambarger, Plymouth, and Herbert Shambarger, Laketon.

Her funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday and one hour prior to the services

Wednesday, April 16, 2008

Elizabeth Rossman Amsler
May 24, 1912-April 14, 2008

Elizabeth "Libby" Rossman AMSLER, 95, of Knox, Pa., died at 10:15 a.m. Monday at UPMC Northwest in Seneca, Pa.

Born May 24, 1912, in Ashland Township, near Ninevah, Pa., she was the daughter of the late George M. and Nettie Bell Rossman.

At the age of 16, Mrs. Amsler graduated from the Ashland High School in Kossuth, where she played on the girls basketball team.

Prior to her marriage, she was a governess to the children of Dr. Thompson in Franklin.

Later, as a meticulous housewife, she provided a warm, loving environment in which she and her husband raised their three daughters.

Mrs. Amsler's life revolved around the Grace Evangelical Congregational Church in Ninevah, of which she was a lifelong member. She served as organist, pianist and choir member. She also taught the ladies Bible class, served as Bible school superintendent and held membership in the ladies aide and Women's Missionary Society. For many years, she planned and supervised preparation of meals for varied church functions. She also had been president of Ashland High School PTA.

Mrs. Amsler enjoyed sewing, quilting and gardening.


Mrs. Amsler is survived by three daughters, Nola Kline and husband James of Huntington, Sharon Beverly and husband Larry of
Crystal Beach, Ontario, Canada, and Kathy Cole and husband Richard of Rochester. Also surviving are seven grandchildren, four great-grandchildren and one stepgreat-grandchild. In addition to her husband and parents, Mrs. Amsler was preceded in death by four sisters, Mildred Curtis, Gertrude Dreibelbis, Anita Fisher and Loretta Rossman.

The family will receive friends from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday at the David C. McEntire Funeral Home, 504 E. Penn St., Knox, Pa., and from 10 a.m. until 11 a.m. Friday at the Grace Evangelical Congregational Church in Ninevah.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Friday at the church with the Rev. Rick Osberg, pastor, officiating. Interment will follow in the Starr Cemetery at RD1 Knox. The family suggests memorials be made to Grace E.C. Church, 2561 Grace Church Road, Knox, PA 16232.

William V. Frushour
William V. FRUSHOUR, 86, Lucerne, died Tuesday at the Chase Center, Logansport.

Survivors include his wife, Josephine, at home, and two daughters, Wilma K. Bowers, Peru, and Joy Gorringe, Fort Wayne.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Royal Center, with visitation from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday.

Ray A. Kline
March 14, 1925-April 12, 2008
Ray A. KLINE, 83, Laketon, died at 4:30 p.m. Saturday at Charlotte County Medical Center, Punta Gorda, Fla.

He was born in Wabash County to Ray L. and Opal F. (Simpson) Kline. He served in the U.S. Army Air Force.


He is survived by his companion, Katie Ihnen; sons, Allen (Marea) Kline, Laketon, Roger (Patty) Kline and Steven (Sandy)
Kline, North Manchester; daughters, Sandra (Randy) Buss, Laketon, Susan (William) Fisher, Munford, Tenn., Sara (Rick) Greer, Akron, and Sally (Mark) Dyson, Roann; a daughter-in-law, Mary Kline, Laketon; brothers, Henry "Hank" (Ruth) Kline, Brooksville, Fla., Ben (Priscilla) Kline, Andrews, Ken (Ethel Mae) Kline, Milton, Ky., Paul (Ruth) Kline, Roann, and Ed (Louise) Kline, North Manchester; sisters, Ruby Utter, Peru, Violet Kline, Fort Wayne, Dorothy (Wayne) Leighen, Madison, Va., Mary (Glen) Blow and Martha (Bob) Kranzman, North Bangor, N.Y., and Pearl (Jerry) Davis, Russellville, Ark.; 25 grandchildren; and 27 great-grandchildren.

One son, Ronald Kline, died in 2005. Also preceding him in death were a daughter, two brothers, two sisters, five grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

His funeral service will be at 11:30 a.m. Saturday at DeLaughter-McKee Mortuary, North Manchester, with calling hours from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday at the mortuary. Pastor J. P. Freeman will officiate. Burial will be at Fairview Cemetery, Servia. Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association, 6100 96th St., Suite 200, Indianapolis, IN 46278-6005, or Riley Children's Hospital, Donations Dept., 702 Barnhill Drive, Room 1715, Indianapolis, IN 46202. Condolences may be e-mailed to the Kline family via delauthermckee.com.

**Bernita 'Ann' Crispen Miller**

June 28, 1938-April 12, 2008

Surrounded by her loving family, Ann was embraced by the angels as she went to be with our Lord at 5:50 p.m. on April 12, 2008.

Ann, 69, of 3660 S. 500 East, Rochester, was in failing health for eight months. She died at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

A lifetime resident of Fulton and Miami counties, she was the daughter of Louis and Bernice Cover Shambarger.

She was employed at Torin Corp., Rochester, and sold Avon products until her retirement in 1995.

A member of the Church of the Nazarene, she also belonged to the Green Oak Club and Home Circle home economics club. She also had participated in the Lioness Club, Court Appointed Special Advocates, and was a charter member of the Eagles Ladies Auxiliary and ladies Topps weight management group.

Ann enjoyed gardening - both flowers and vegetables. Following the garden harvest, she would can and freeze the fruits of her labor. She enjoyed the challenge of word puzzles and relaxed by reading novels, the Bible and other spiritual passages. As an avid I.U. basketball fan, Ann cheered for the cream and crimson. Ann loved her family deeply and adored her grandchildren. She was passionate about the special times they spent together.

Survivors include her husband, George Miller, at home; three daughters, Deborah Mills and husband Tom, Rochester, Carin Ringle and husband CW04 Michael, Fort Campbell, Ky., Ellen Felts and husband Neil, Rochester; a son, Kevin Crispen and wife Susan, Rochester; 11 grandchildren, Levi and Lucas Mills, Jenna, Joshua and wife Shanna, Jonas and Jason Crispen, Justin and Nicholas Ringle, Ashly, Casandra and Zachary Felts; a great-grandson, Gunnar Crispen; three stepgrandchildren, Hope, Gracie and Chelsea Manns; a sister, Marjorie DeWitt, Logansport; her mother-in-law, Burnice Crispen; two brothers, Lewis "Bob" Shambarger and wife Jan, Plymouth, Herbert Shambarger and wife Doris, Laketon; her faithful canine companion, Jazzy, an American Eskimo dog; nieces, nephews and cousins.

She also was preceded in death by her parents; grandchildren, Landon Felts and Lacey Mills; three sisters, Marilyn Nicodemus, Sue Long and Nancy Brinell; and two brothers, Mark and Charles Shambarger.

A celebration of the life of Bernita "Ann" Crispen Miller will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at Good Family Funeral Home. Rev. Don Meyer and Rev. Lowell Burrus will officiate. She will be laid to rest at the IOOF Cemetery, Rochester. Friends may visit with Ann's
family from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. today and one hour prior to her service. Preferred memorials in lieu of flowers may be made in Ann's memory to the Church of the Nazarene or the Scleroderma Foundation. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Thursday, April 17, 2008

**Donna Fenimore Beavers**

Donna Fenimore BEAVERS, an Akron native who once had a dance studio in downtown Akron before becoming an artist who taught in England and at Swarthmore College, died April 6 in Hendersonville, N.C., where she had lived for nearly 40 years.

The youngest and last member of Forrest and Audrey Fenimore's family, she attended Akron High School and the Akron United Methodist Church.

She is survived by 10 nieces and nephews, including Marilyn Kruger, Akron, a daughter-in-law and two grandsons.

**Betty Lee Newcomer**

June 30, 1922-April 15, 2008

Betty Lee NEWCOMER, 85, of Terre Haute, died Tuesday, April 15, 2008, in her residence.

She was born June 30, 1922, to Ora Bussert and Gertrude DuBois Bussert in Macy.

She married Carl Philip Newcomer on June 6, 1945, in Rochester, where they lived for 25 years.

He preceded her in death May 24, 1972. She was also preceded in death by both parents, sister Virginia, and brother Luther.

She loved her flower garden. Her hobbies were needlepoint, decorating and her daily walk in the Farrington's Grove area.

She was a member of Macy Church of Christ and attended South Side Church of Christ in Terre Haute.
Survivors include her son, Phillip Lee Newcomer of Terre Haute; sister-in-law, Shirley Bussert; two nephews, Wade and Ryan Bussert.

Funeral services will be conducted at 1 p.m. Friday, April 18, 2008, in Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester, with Jim Dillinger officiating. Visitation is scheduled for Thursday from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. in Callahan & Hughes Funeral Home, 605 S. 25th St., Terre Haute, and one hour prior to services in Rochester.

A special Thank You to Tammy of Intrepid Health Care for her care and compassion.

**Linda Rusie**

Aug. 26, 1931-April 16, 2008

Linda (Malinda) Miller RUSIE, Mexico, Ind., died at St. Vincent's Hospital in Indianapolis on Wednesday, April 16. She was 76 years old.

Born on Aug. 26, 1931, to Amish parents, Steven and Anna Miller in Cadwell, Ill., she was the eleventh of twelve children. She married John A. Rusie on May 30, 1953, in Indianapolis.

She was preceded in death by her husband and two granddaughters, Leanna Friend and Ashley Rusie, one great-granddaughter, Lincoln Sutton, and five sisters and four brothers.

Survivors include children: Ann (Bill) Friend, Macy; John H. (Dana) Rusie, Logansport; Mary Beth (Byron) Fites, Macy; Mark (Lori) Rusie, Mexico; Teresa (Randy) Pier, Peru; Florence (Robert) McKinley, Peru; 13 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. Surviving siblings include two brothers, Peter of Elkhart and Dan of Arthur, Ill.

Linda was a member and lifetime deaconess of Mexico Baptist Church, Mexico. She was matron of the Miami County Sheriff's Department from 1975 to 1982, when her husband, John, was sheriff. The Rusies lived in Fulton County following retirement from the sheriff's department. Linda was active in both Peru and Rochester communities serving on boards of various organizations. She was named Republican Woman of the Year in both Miami and Fulton
counties. John and Linda were past Citizens of the Year in Miami County. Prior to her years at the sheriff's department, Linda worked at the Peru YMCA, Climate Makers and Sherrill Corporation. She later worked as a driver examiner for the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles and was a Mary Kay consultant for 30 years. While in Rochester, she managed the Cornerstone Christian Bookstore.

Services will be at 11 a.m. at Mexico Baptist Church on Saturday, April 19, with Pastor Charles Cole officiating. Burial will be at Greenlawn Cemetery in Mexico. Visitation will be Friday from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Mexico Baptist Church.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Mexico Baptist Church, P.O. Box 206, Mexico, IN 46958, or to Salvation Army, 84 W. Second St., Peru, IN 46970. McClain Funeral Home, Denver, is in charge of arrangements.

**Milton 'Milt' Williams**

June 22, 1931-April 15, 2008

Milton "Milt" WILLIAMS, 76, of 518 W. Second St., Peru, died at 4:45 a.m. Tuesday at home.

He retired from the U.S. Air Force and owned and operated Williams Air Conditioning and Refrigeration.

He was born in Kilmichael, Miss., to Cube and Willie (Townsend) Williams. On April 10, 1965, he married Ginette Lenaers, and she survives.

A former deacon of Mt. Herman Baptist Church, Milton was actively involved in various community organizations and benefits such as Salvation Army, St. Vincent de Paul, American Legion, Democratic Headquarters and the American Red Cross. He was a life member of Veterans of Foreign Wars and belonged to the Fraternal Order of Police. He had also served two years in the U.S. Army.

Milton is also survived by a son, Antoine Williams and wife Katie and children, Peru; four daughters, Astrid Williams, Peru, Nancy Forcier and husband Ray, O'Fallon, Ill., Delphinie Peltes and husband Pat, Saint Charles, Mo., and Diana Williams, Peru; grandchildren, Bradley Milton Williams, Jamie David Williams,
Ginette Marie Williams, Noelle Marie Forcier, Philip William Peltes, Alexandra, Aurelia, Jerome, Laurie; stepgrandchildren, Patricia Ferouelle and husband Bruno, Andre’e Sam Emeterio and husband Tetere’; great-grandchildren, Damien and Riley Williams; two brothers, Otha Williams, Chicago, Ill., and Waddel Williams, Kilmichael, Miss.; a sister-in-law, Joella Williams, Chicago, Ill.; and numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Mason Williams; a sister, Marie Powell.

His funeral service will be at 1 p.m. Saturday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru, with Pastor J Litherland and Chaplain Steve Fleck officiating. Burial will be at Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru. Friends may call from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. A military commital service will be provided by the Miami County Military Rites Unit. Memorials may be made to St. Vincent de Paul/Salvation Army.

Friday, April 18, 2008

Clem H. Miller Jr.

Clem H. MILLER Jr., 81, of 1844 E. 300 South, Rochester, died Thursday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Survivors include his wife, Jean I. Miller, at home, a daughter, Eileen Fellers, Rochester; two sons, Tom Miller and Charlie Miller of Rochester; and a brother, Richard L. Miller, Argos.

Services will be private. Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Saturday, April 19, 2008

Clem H. Miller Jr.

June 25, 1926-April 17, 2008

Clem H. MILLER Jr., 81, of 1844 E. 300 South, Rochester, died at 2:30 p.m. Thursday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.
Born in Monterey, he was the son of Clem H. Miller Sr. and Elba Hott Miller. He graduated from Argos High School in 1944. He moved here from Marshall County in 1963.

On Nov. 27, 1947, he married Jean I. Neidlinger at Argos United Methodist Church.

As a family man who loved the land, Clem and his wife Jean's dream came true with the acquisition of their farm ground south of Rochester. They purchased the property from the McMahon family in 1962. The past four and one-half decades yielded many good times enjoyed by their family on the farm. In addition to the grain operations, Clem oversaw, bred and raised a fine herd of Black Angus.

Many produce lovers will recall seeing Clem and grandson Greg at the Miller Fresh Sweet Corn Stand situated on Wabash Avenue and 18th Streets during the months of July - August. He enjoyed the morning sales and seeing friends and customers their family pleased with their highly sought after "Incredible Sweet Corn," and last summer the addition of the delectable "Ambrosia Sweet Corn."

From the late '80s till the late '90s those who enjoyed strawberries will remember the same location where Clem and his family harvested and sold strawberries. During early spring, when temperatures would drop, Clem would stay up late at night to oversee the irrigation system protecting the tender plants from frost.

This year was no exception on the farm as Clem assisted with preparations for the planting season. Just last week he was pulling fence line with his Bobcat. With great pride this dedicated farmer enjoyed observing the harvest, riding high in the combine and planting the crops on his shiny red Case-International Harvester.

Clem and Jean enjoyed trips to Michigan to pick fresh fruit, especially peaches, raspberries and cherries. In the spring of the year the collection of Maple Syrup beckoned them to Nappanee where they watched the processing of the sweet syrup. While in the Amish Country, Clem marveled and admired the working horses - especially the Clydesdale and Belgians.
As the patriarch of the family, Clem was loved and respected by his children, grandchildren and great-granddaughter. He instilled a love for the land, and work ethic for the family to follow with a special love only shared by Grandpa.

He is survived by his wife, Jean I. Miller, at home; a daughter, Eileen Fellers, Rochester; two sons, Tom Miller and Charlie Miller and wife Katie, Rochester; a brother, Richard L. Miller and wife Barbara, Argos; six grandchildren, Brad Fellers and wife Kimi, Rochester, Cory Fellers, Beaverton, Ore., Lori Fellers, Rochester, Joe Miller and wife Brianne, Rochester, Sarah Miller, Indianapolis, and Greg Miller, Rochester; and a great-granddaughter, Courtney Fellers. He was preceded in death by his parents; a son-in-law, Steve Fellers; a sister, Cleta Nelson; and a brother, Herman Miller.

Private family services will be held with Dr. Mark Spencer officiating. Burial will be at IOOF Cemetery, Rochester. Friends may visit with the family from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. today at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association or the charity of one's choice.

**JoAnn M.(Petrie) Morrison**

Nov. 13, 1941-April 5, 2008

JoAnn M. MORRISON, 66, of Port Charlotte, Fla., and Denver, died Saturday, April 5, 2008, at Charlotte Regional Medical Center, Punta Gorda, Fla.

She was born Nov. 13, 1941, in South Bend, and has wintered in Port Charlotte with her husband for the last four years.

Mrs. Morrison retired from First Federal Savings Bank, Rochester, as an escrow manager. She was a member of the Port Charlotte Church of Christ and Rochester Church of Christ.

She is survived by her loving family, her husband, Harold A. Morrison of Port Charlotte, Fla., and Denver; a daughter, Tammy A. (Alec) Breden of Granger; two sons, Michael B. (Marianne) DePoy of Plymouth, and Terry J. (Susan) DePoy of Denver; two stepdaughters, Lori S. Carpenter of Leesburg and Betty J. (Gary) Gibbons of Plymouth; stepmother, Margaret Petrie of Granger; two sisters, Vesta
(James) Principe of Port Charlotte, Fla., and Chrissy McKenzie of South Bend; and nine grandchildren, Michael, Mathew, Makayla, Morgan, Shannon, Jared, Kyalan, Cody and Kevin.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. April 26 at Rochester Church of Christ, 120 E. Fifth St., Rochester.

Monday, April 21, 2008

**Chavez Earline Weathersby**

Chavez Earline WEATHERSBY, 43, formerly of Culver, died March 26.

Survivors include her daughter, Janai Springfield, and her mother, Alyce Weathersby.

Arrangements were handled by Carter Funeral Chapels, Chicago, Ill.

Tuesday, April 22, 2008

**Elizabeth Ann Reynolds**

March 26, 1960-April 19, 2008

Elizabeth Ann (Zehner) REYNOLDS passed away unexpectedly Saturday at St. Joseph Hospital, Joliet, Ill.

Beth was born March 26, 1960, in Rochester, to Don and Ruth (Keller) Zehner of Monterey. She lived her entire life in the Monterey community.

Beth graduated from Culver Community High School in 1978 and from Indiana State University in 1981. She married Jacob Linn Reynolds on Sept. 22, 1984, at St. Anne's Catholic Church in Monterey. She was a devoted wife and mother, a wonderful daughter, sister and friend. She was an active member of St. Anne church. She was a dedicated employee of Miller's Merry Manor in Culver for the past 25 years as the office manager.

Survivors include her husband of 23 years, Jacob Linn Reynolds; her children, Heather, Erik, Tiffany and Bryce; her parents, Don and Ruth (Keller) Zehner; mother-in-law, Betty Reynolds of
Rochester; brothers, Don Zehner (Pam) of Logansport, Greg Zehner (Mary) of Monterey, August Zehner (Kathy) of Anderson; and her sister, Sharon (Larry) Yelaska of Channahon, Ill. Also surviving are her brothers-in-law, Mark Reynolds of Rochester, and Dana (Nona) Reynolds of Lafayette, and sister-in-law, Debbie (Tim) Wilson of Kewanna. Beth was preceded in death by her grandparents, Clem and Marjorie Keller and August and Anna Zehner; a nephew, Benjamin Michael Zehner; and her father-in-law, Don Reynolds of Rochester.

Services will be at St. Anne's Catholic Church in Monterey on Thursday at 10 a.m. with Fr. Bert Woolson officiating. Burial will be in St. Anne's cemetery, Monterey. Visitation will be at Bonine-Odom Funeral Home in Culver from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday with a scriptural wake service at 7:30 p.m. Messages of condolence may be sent to the family at info@bonineodom.com. A memorial fund has been established at the First National Bank of Monterey to assist in the educational needs of her children. Contributions can be made to the Beth Reynolds Memorial Fund.

Lydia M. Stigall
Lydia M. STIGALL, 87, of 300 E. Fourth St., Rochester, died at 12:23 a.m. today at Hickory Creek of Rochester.
Arrangements are pending at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet.

Wednesday, April 23, 2008

Mary K. Fraser
Mary K. FRASER, 93, Towne House Health Center, Fort Wayne, a longtime Rochester resident, died at 8:28 p.m. Tuesday at her residence.
Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

Lydia M. Stigall
Lydia M. STIGALL, 87, died Tuesday at Hickory Creek of Rochester.
Survivors include five daughters, Louise Stevens, Plymouth, Barbara Feltner and Patsy Zeiger of Rochester, Glenda Greer, Plymouth, and Freida Adams, Knox; three sisters, Juanita Stevens, Morehead, Ky., Bobby Lu Johnson, Ingalls, and Martha Jessie, Seymour, Ill.; and a brother, Leonard Messer, Knox.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Central time Saturday at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet, with visitation from 10 a.m. until the service.

**R. Kevin McCarty**

R. Kevin McCARTY, 45, of 7639 W. Swick Road, Beaver Dam Lake, Claypool, died at 4:43 a.m. Tuesday at Methodist Hospital, Indianapolis.

Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

Thursday, April 24, 2008

**Mary K. Fraser**

Mary K. FRASER, 93, a longtime Rochester resident, died Tuesday at her residence, Towne House Health Center of Fort Wayne.

Survivors include two sons, Robert Fraser of Fort Wayne and James Fraser of Plymouth.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation one hour prior to the service.

**Robert "Kevin" McCarty**

Robert "Kevin" McCARTY, 45, of 7639 W. Swick Road, Beaver Dam Lake, Claypool, died Tuesday at Methodist Hospital, Indianapolis.

Survivors include his parents, Robert and Roslyn McCarty, Beaver Dam Lake, and a sister, Tessa Smalley, Beaver Dam Lake.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Monday at St. Mary's Antiochian Orthodox Christian Church, Topeka. A memorial service will be at 4 p.m. Sunday at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron, with visitation from 1 p.m. until the service.
JoAnn M. Morrison
A memorial service for JoAnn M. MORRISON, 66, Denver, who died April 5 in Florida, will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Rochester Church of Christ, 120 E. Fifth St.

Friday, April 25, 2008

Thelma Harris Boetsma
Dec. 16, 1923-April 19, 2008
Thelma Harris BOETSMA, 84, beloved mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, stepped into eternity to be home with the Lord Saturday, April 19. She lived with her son and daughter-in-law in Gilbert, Ariz.

She was born Dec., 16, 1923, in Star City, Saskatchewan, Canada, to Fred and Maude Savage Harris Kneeves, who have preceded her in death. She was preceded in death by husband, Joe Boetsma; daughter and son-in-law, Sandra and Clyde Craft; brothers, Francis and Clarence Harris; and sisters, Margie Kreighbaum, and Edna Brower.

She is survived by sister, Rena Follmer; children, Larry (Anita) Boetsma, Debra (Allen) Mechling and Cynthia (Timothy) Decker. She is also survived by nine grandchildren, Steven Boetsma and Erica Partin, Daniel, Stephanie and Isaac Michling, and Caleb, Kyle, Kirsten and Colson Decker, and five great-grandchildren, Harry and Austin Partin, Sierra and Michael Boetsma, and Gavin Mechling.

Thelma worked in the family re-upholstery and then new furniture business in Culver. She and her husband of 67 years moved to Hobe Sound, Fla., in 1979. There she volunteered at a Chapel Crusaders Mission. They moved to Indianapolis in 1999 and went to Gilbert, Ariz., in December 2006. She will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her.

Arrangements are entrusted to Bonine-Odom Funeral Home in Culver. Visitation will be Sunday, April 27, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. and Monday, April 28, from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Her funeral service is at 2 p.m. Monday at the funeral home. Contributions may be made to
Hospice of the Valley, 1510 E. Flower St., Phoenix, AZ 85014. Condolences may be sent to the family via the obituary page at www.bonineodom.com.

**Eunice M. Rex Hunt Carter**

Eunice M. Rex Hunt CARTER, 77, Logansport, died at 3 p.m. Thursday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Royal Center.

**Merle D. Grossman**

Merle D. GROSSMAN, 73, of 20302 Ironwood Road, Argos, died at 3:55 p.m. Thursday at home.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Carolyn Miller**

Carolyn MILLER, 72, Claypool, died Thursday at home.

Survivors include sons, Nathaniel Miller of Claypool, Timothy Miller of Warsaw, Luther “Luke” Miller Jr. of Claypool, Frank Miller of Columbia City and Marcius Miller of North Manchester; daughters, Marsha Cleveland of Warsaw, Juli Miller of Silver Lake and Carol Vick of Warsaw; a brother, Bob Tillman, Claypool; and a sister, Vonda Ousley of Columbia City.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Sunday at McHatton-Sadler Funeral Chapel, Warsaw, with visitation from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home.

Saturday, April 26, 2008

**Mary Ann Gillespie**

Jan. 17, 1939-April 24, 2008

Mary Ann GILLESPIE, 69, 301 E. Sycamore St., Silver Lake, died at 11:30 p.m. Thursday in her residence.
She was born Jan 17, 1939 and married her husband of 39 years on Sept. 7, 1968. She is survived by her husband, Jay M. Gillespie; their daughter, Mrs. Jeff (Ginger R.) Dwyer, Claypool; two granddaughters, Heather and Sara Dwyer; one brother and three sisters. One sister is deceased.

Services will be private. Memorial contributions may be made to American Cancer Society, 601 W. Edison Road, Mishawaka, IN 46545-8822 or Kosciusko County Home Care & Hospice, P. O. Box 1196, Warsaw, IN, 46581. Arrangements are entrusted to DeLaughter-McKee Mortuary, North Manchester, Ind. Condolences may be sent to the Gillespie family at delaughtermckee.com.

Edna Elizabeth Nellans

Edna Elizabeth NELLANS, 95, of Masons Health Care, Warsaw, died at 2:50 p.m. Friday.

Arrangements are pending at King Memorial Home, Mentone.

Merle D. Grossman

Merle D. GROSSMAN, 73, of 20302 Ironwood Road, Argos, went into the arms of his Lord Thursday at 3:55 p.m., after a courageous two-year battle with cancer.

He was one of 11 children born to Lott and Corene Hagenbush Grossman in Argos on Nov. 23, 1934. He was a lifetime resident of the Argos Community and was a graduate of Argos High School.

Merle took Dorthie Miller as his bride on July 3, 1956 in Plymouth. They are the parents of seven children.

He was a dairy farmer for most of his life and had also worked at Standard Motors, formerly Ristance, of Argos for eight years. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Argos. The family enjoyed camping together all over the United States. Often, they were looking for chimes, listening for a special tone. He spent hours at a time puttering around the farm. John Deere green was his favorite color.

He will be greatly missed by his wife, Dorthie, at home; two daughters, Loretta Caudill and husband Thomas, of Culver, Diana
Grossman, of Argos; five sons, Ronald Grossman and wife Patti, Akron, Donald Grossman, of Argos, Joey Grossman, of Plymouth, Jan Grossman and wife Cindy of Grant, Mich., Edward Grossman and wife Teresa of Bourbon; and by his 14 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren. Also surviving are two sisters; Leona Young, of Niles, Mich. And Donna Loop and husband Robert, of Laport; and a brother, Lowell Grossman and wife Bonnie of Argos. Several nieces and nephews also survive.

He was preceded in death by his parents, two sister, Martha Longstreth and Virginia Bollhoefer; and five brothers; Gerald, Dwight, Leroy, George and Richard (Dick) Grossman.

A celebration of Merle’s life will be at 10 a.m. Monday in the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with the Rev. John Fishburn officiating. Interment will follow at Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos. Friends may visit with the family from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday and one hour prior to the service in the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the Lymphoma Organization or The Center for Hope Hospice and Palliative Care. Envelopes are available at the funeral home. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Monday, April 28, 2008

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Tuesday, April 29, 2008

Eunice M. Carter

Eunice M. (Rex) Hunt CARTER, 77, Logansport, died Thursday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Royal Center. Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. today.
Patricia M. Fieser  
Oct. 23, 1929-April 27, 2008  

Patricia M. FIESER, 78, of 3020 Country Club Drive East, Rochester, passed away at 12:40 p.m. Sunday at her residence.  

She was born on Oct. 23, 1929, in Chicago, Ill., the daughter of Theodore L. and Persis (Jones) Morris. On Nov. 9, 1948, in Kenosha, Wis., she married David Fieser and he survives.  

Mrs. Fieser worked at the Washington Square Restaurant in Naperville, Ill. She was a loving wife, mother and grandmother. She was known for the baby sweaters she knitted for family and friends.  

Survivors include her husband, David Fieser, Rochester; son, John Fieser, Naperville, Ill.; grandchildren, Jessica Lynn Fieser, Milford, Conn., and Kurt James Fieser, Sycamore, Ill.; her sister, Marjorie Carson, Chicago, Ill.; and her brother, Robert and wife Terri Morris, Niles, Ill. She was preceded in death by her parents and brother, Richard Morris.  

No services or visitation will be observed. Burial will be at a later date at the Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester. Arrangements are by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.  

Edna Elizabeth Nellans  

Edna Elizabeth (Pittman) NELLANS, 95, formerly of Crystal Lake, south of Atwood, died Friday at Mason Health Care, Warsaw.  

Survivors include three daughters, Mardene Kay Mellott, Bourbon, Madonna Sue Creighton and Nanette Clark, both of Warsaw, and a sister, Maxine Vandermark, Lake Placid, Fla.  

A memorial service will be at 4 p.m. Thursday at Aldergate United Methodist Church, Atwood, with visitation one hour prior to the service. King Memorial Home, Mentone, is handling arrangements.
Frances Cora Nicodemus
Nov. 2, 1921-April 27, 2008

Frances Cora NICODEMUS, 86, of 7567 E. 150 South, Akron, died at 5:43 p.m. Sunday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Born in Green County, Ohio, she was the daughter of Harry and Anna Kathlene Smith Morgan. She lived in the Fulton County community since 1947, when she moved from Medway, Ohio.

With patriotism and pride, Frances served her country as a WAC in the U.S. Air Force from 1944 to 1946.

On March 11, 1947, she married the love of her life, Peter A. Nicodemus in Peru. Their marriage spanned 60 1/2 wonderful years, until his death on Nov. 24, 2007. During this time, she worked at several area industries including Olin's in Mexico, Topps Safety Apparel, and from 1961 to 1971, she was a seamstress at Hart Shaffner & Marx until her retirement. She was a member of Union Local No. 785.

Frances was also a member of the Akron Church of God and the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

She enjoyed crocheting baby blankets, afghans, mittens and scarves for family and friends. She also embroidered and created counted cross-stitch. Her family remembers the delightful cookies, cakes and pies she baked. Frances also took pleasure in maintaining the flower gardens surrounding her home and in the produce yielded annually by her vegetable garden. Most recently she was proud of her accomplishments with container gardening - a variety from beautiful African violets to succulent aloe plants.

Through the years, Frances acquired a variety of interesting collections. Her favorites were her Lenox fine china collection of common birds. She collected a number of Lena Liu hummingbird plates and figurines too. Her Garfield collection was second to none. She also amassed a number of owls and model antique cars.

Her favorite pastimes included watching television - Joyce Meyer, "Let's Make a Deal" and other traditional game shows. She once saw Alan Jackson in concert and enjoyed listening to his albums.
She is survived by a daughter, Charlotte Givens, Akron; a granddaughter, Charlene Givens, Akron; a great-granddaughter, Miranda Kaye Dotson, Akron; a sister, Ida Mickle, Medway, Ohio; and three sisters-in-law, Lucile Lewis, Kewanna, Louise Nicodemus, Akron, and Grace Edgar, Atlanta, Mich. She was also preceded in death by a granddaughter, Larissa Kaye Givens in 1989; a son-in-law, Larry Givens in 1993; and a brother, Forrest, in 1989.

A celebration of the life of Frances Cora Nicodemus will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with the Rev. Terry Canfield officiating. She will be laid to rest next to her beloved husband Pete in the Athens Cemetery. Friends may visit with the family on Wednesday from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the funeral home and one hour prior to her service. Military graveside rites will be conducted by the LeRoy Shelton American Legion Post and Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Wayne D. Hissong

Wayne D. HISSONG, 87, Monterey, died Monday at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Arrangements are pending at Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver.

Wednesday, April 30, 2008

Wayne D. Hissong

Wayne D. HISSONG, 87, Leiters Ford, died at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center in Plymouth on Monday morning, April 28, 2008.

Wayne was born in Argos, to Lawrence and Carrie Hissong. His parents preceded him in death as did his brother, Loren Hissong.

On Oct. 21, 1956, he married Barbara Reinhold, who also preceded him in death. They were married 39 years and together had three children who survive, Valerie (Kevin) Staples of South Bend, Vince (Becky) Hissong of Leiters Ford and Van (Theresa) Hissong of Culver. His son from a previous marriage, Paul (Vicky) Sudlow, lives
in Billings, Mont. Wayne has eight grandchildren: Isaac Hissong, Alexandra and Patrick Staples, and Madeline, Morgan, Sam, Gabriel and Savannah Hissong.

Wayne graduated from Argos High School and worked in construction until his retirement. He was a proud World War II veteran, who served 4 1/2 years in the 2nd Armored Division and the 712th Tank Battalion. He was awarded the Purple Heart, a silver battle star and several other ribbons and medals. Wayne maintained close friendships with his comrades in the years since the war. He traveled each fall to the 712th Tank Battalion reunions to renew friendships and recount stories.

For Wayne, there was no baseball team but the Chicago Cubs. He also enjoyed golf, fishing and time with family and friends. He was a member of the Collins-Tasch American Legion Post 399 in Monterey, the Finney-Shilling VFW Post 6919 of Culver and the Maxinkuckee Independent Order of Odd Fellows of Culver. Wayne was a loving husband, father and grandfather and will be missed by his family and friends.

Viewing will be at the Bonine-Odom Funeral Home in Culver on Thursday, May 1, from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Funeral services will be at the funeral home on Friday, May 2, at 11 a.m. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to the Finney-Shilling VFW Post 6919 of Culver or to the Collins-Tasch American Legion Post 399 of Monterey. Condolences may be sent via the obituary page at www.bonineodom.com.

Jerry D. Maple
Jerry D. MAPLE, 53, of 10850 E. Indiana 14, Akron, died at 9:40 p.m. Monday at Parkview Hospital, Four Wayne.
Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.
Thursday, May 1, 2008

Evieanna 'Wendy' Kinne
Evieanna "Wendy" KINNE, 56, Plymouth, died Tuesday at Memorial Hospital, South Bend.
Survivors include her husband, John Kinne, Plymouth; two daughters, Michelle Yoder, Milford, and Robin Luce, Rochester; a sister, Colleen Sexton, Lexington, Mich.; and a brother, Robert Sexton, Lexington, Mich.
Services will be at 11 a.m. Monday at Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, with visitation from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday and after 7 a.m. Monday.

Charles 'Chuck' Walter Miller
April 1, 1913-April 30, 2008
Charles "Chuck" Walter MILLER, 95, of 3534 S. Palestine Lane, Warsaw, passed away surrounded by his loving family at 2:15 p.m. Wednesday at the Miller's Merry Manor health care facility of Warsaw. He was born on April 1, 1913, in Fulton County to Carl and Maude Clarey Miller, who preceded him in death.
In Marshall County, on Aug. 13, 1937, Charles was united in marriage with Mabel McGowen Miller, who survives at home.
Charles retired from Bendix Mobile Homes of Bourbon in 1978. He continued to farm just outside Mentone until a few years ago. Charles was delighted with fishing for bass and blue gill, relaxing at the pond on the family's farm. Until three years ago, Charles could be seen in the neighborhood riding his bicycle - a feat for any 92-year-old, a gentleman with remarkable determination, balance, athleticism and pride!
It was in Lake Placid, Fla., where he and Mabel enjoyed more than a decade of the life of snowbirds. With great success, Chuck fished the Gulf of Mexico for giant sheepshead. He was a dominant force on the shuffleboard court and looked forward to attending spring training, cheering the boys of summer.
A lifelong, die-hard Cub fan, Chuck and Mabel's 70th wedding anniversary was noted at the game, during the seventh inning stretch. A sports enthusiast, he enjoyed watching golf, tennis, football and college basketball in addition to his beloved Cubbies!

A talented craftsman, Chuck was a woodworker. He built custom whirligigs, and a variety of birdhouses, including martin and bluebirds houses. Mabel would compliment the nature creations with her special painting and creative touches.

Survivors include: one daughter, Karen Fleck and husband John of San Diego, Calif.; one son, Dennis Miller and wife Teresa of Warsaw; five grandchildren, Paul Fleck and wife Teri, San Diego, Calif., Melinda Lynn and husband Patrick of San Jose, Calif., Michelle Clifton and husband Jeffrey, San Jose, Calif., David Miller of Miami, Fla., Darcy Julian and husband Michael, Akron; and 13 great-grandchildren, Tiffany and Tabitha Fleck, Jonathon, Joshua, Sarah, Benjamin, Katie and Rebekah Lynn, Alexander and Elyse Clifton, Aaron, Brittney and Jeremy Julian. Numerous cousins, nieces and nephews survive. Also preceding him in death were one brother and three sisters. Charles will be missed. He leaves his family and friends to cherish his memory.

A celebration of the life of Mr. Charles "Chuck" Miller will be at 1 p.m. Friday, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. The Rev. Jack Worth will officiate. Interment will follow at Rochester's IOOF Cemetery. Friends may visit with the family from 10 a.m. until the hour of the service. In lieu of flowers, the preferred form of remembrance is to Talma United Methodist Church, of which he was a faithful member. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be conveyed to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Dorothy L. Poundstone
July 23, 1919-April 28, 2008

Dorothy L. POUNDSTONE, age 88, passed away on Monday, April 28, 2008.

Dorothy was born on July 23, 1919, in Morton, Illinois, to Edward and Louise Leman, who preceded her in death. Dorothy had
been a Hobart resident since 1961, coming from Glen Park. She was a graduate of St. Luke's Hospital registered nurse program and was a member of the Order of Eastern Star and First United Methodist of Hobart.

Dorothy was preceded in death by her husband Arthur Poundstone in 1971 and brother Lester Leman. She is survived by several nieces and nephews.

Her funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Central time today, May 1, 2008, at Rees Funeral Home, 600 W. Old Ridge Rd., Hobart, with Rev. Jonathan Gosser officiating. Visitation will be today from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. with an OES service at 1:45 p.m. Burial will take place on Friday, May 2, 2008, at 11:30 a.m. Eastern time at IOOF Cemetery in Rochester.

Friday, May 2, 2008

**Gerald W. Fish**

Gerald W. FISH, 90, of 4624 63rd St., Sacramento, Calif., died at 7:15 p.m. Wednesday at his residence.

Arrangements are pending at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

**William M. Blackburn**

April 4, 1919-May 1, 2008

William M. BLACKBURN, 89, Logansport, died at 12:05 a.m. Thursday at the Chase Center, Logansport.

Born in Rochester, he was the son of Elzie and Myra P. (Moon) Blackburn.

Mr. Blackburn was employed at the Chrysler casting plant in Kokomo and belonged to UAW Local 1166. He retired in 1981. He also farmed and was a Minneapolis Moline tractor enthusiast. Many years ago, he was a member of the New Waverly Volunteer Fire Department.

He is survived by his son and daughter-in-law, Phillip and Sue Blackburn, Logansport; his daughter and son-in-law, Beverly Sue
"Susie" and John Musselman, Logansport; his brother, Robert Blackburn, Wabash; his sister, Betty Clevenger, Warsaw; two sisters-in-law, Tish Blackburn, Rochester, and Anne Blackburn, Indianapolis; his grandchildren, Joanie Rans and her husband Jeff, Tammy Baumgardner and her husband Gary, and Daniel Musselman, all of Logansport; great-grandchildren, Mickayla, Matthew and Michael Rans, Tyler and Trever Baumgardner and Paxton Musselman, all of Logansport; stepgrandchildren, Melinda Young and her husband Kent, Hugh Gibson and his wife Cindy and Melissa Buck, all of Greentown; stepgreat-grandchildren, Zachary, Trevor and Conner Young, Wryan, Caleb and Braden Gibson and Dylan and Austin Buck, all of Greentown; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his brothers, Kenneth and John Blackburn, and his sister, Elizabeth Ann "Sally" Zeller.

His funeral service will be at 4 p.m. Sunday at Kroeger Funeral Home, 711 E. Market St., Logansport, with K.J. Blackburn officiating. Burial will be at Mt. Zion Cemetery, Rochester, at a later date. Visitation will be from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to any favorite charity. Condolences and personal remembrances may be left online at www.kroegerfuneralhome.com.

**Evieanna Kinne**

April 8, 1952-April 29, 2008

Evieanna "Wendy" KINNE, 56, 6th Road, Plymouth, went home to be with her Lord and Savior on Tuesday in Memorial Hospital, South Bend.

Wendy was born in West Virginia, the daughter of Robert and Mary Sexton, on April 8, 1952. She attended school in West Virginia.

On March 17, 1995, in Plymouth, Wendy and John Kinne were married.

A homemaker, she enjoyed fishing, gardening and cooking. She liked to look at catalogs and spend time with her family, especially her grandchildren.
Wendy is survived by John, her husband, and by two daughters, Michelle (Hugh) Yoder, Milford, and Robin Luce, Rochester. Four granddaughters, Haley Yoder, Rochester, Adrieanna and Sarah Yoder, Milford, and Hannah Luce, Rochester, and a grandson, Steven Yoder, also of Milford, survive as well. A sister, Colleen Sexton, Lexington, Mich., and a brother, Robert Sexton, Lexington, also survive. Wendy was preceded in death by two sisters, Mary Jo Jackson and Roberta Sexton.

Friends are invited to share memories of Wendy with her family from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday at Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth. Visitation will continue after 7 a.m. on Monday. Funeral services for Wendy will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday in the funeral home with Pastor Charles Krieg officiating. Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth. Letters of condolence may be sent to the family via www.johnson-danielson.com.

Saturday, May 3, 2008

Nathan Lee Ameigh

Nathan Lee AMEIGH, 25, of Avon, lived in Rochester for 18 years then moved to Denver, Colo., where he lived for five years. He has lived in Avon the last three years.

He loved snow skiing, snowboarding, water skiing and camping. He was preceded in death by his maternal grandfather, Donald Stevens, Argos; paternal grandparents, John and Josie Ameigh, Drasko, Alaska; and four aunts. Survivors include his parents, Calvin and Carol Ameigh, Avon; maternal grandparents, Ned and Juanita Rentschler, Fulton; uncles, Don and Lon Stevens, Port Charlotte, Fla., Charles (Karen) Ameigh, St. Charles, Mo., Rex (Jeanette) Ameigh, Clarksville, Tenn., and Rick Ameigh, Sercy, Alaska. He also had two loving dogs, Rudy and Jennie.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Monday, May 5, 2008, at Flanner and Buchanan Funeral Center, 2950 N. High School Road, Speedway, with calling from noon till service time.
Gerald W. Fish
Rev. Gerald W. FISH, 90, 4624 63rd St., Sacramento, Calif., formerly of Fulton and Marshall counties, died Wednesday at home.
Survivors include his wife, Burnette C. Fish, Sacramento, and son, Kenton W. Fish, Las Vegas, Nev.
Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Jordan Baptist Church, rural Argos, with visitation beginning at 1:30 p.m. Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos, is handling arrangements.

John W. Frasa
John W. FRASA, 49, Suffolk, Va., formerly of Kewanna, died at 2 a.m. today at Sentara Obici Hospital, Suffolk, Va.
Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna.

Carol Kelly
Carol KELLY, 65, died Friday at her Nashville, Tenn., residence.
Survivors include her husband, Ed Kelly; two daughters; and her father, Eugene Kelley of Rochester.
A burial service in Rochester will be at a later date.

Richard E. Landis
Richard E. LANDIS, 80, Tucson, Ariz., formerly of Akron, died Tuesday, April 29, in Chandler, Ariz.
Survivors include his wife, Joan E. Landis, and their sons, Steve, Richard and Roger Landis.
Services were Saturday at East Lawn Palm Cemetery, Tucson.
Tuesday, May 6, 2008

**Lois Hauser**

Lois HAUSER, 87, formerly of Akron, died at 6:58 p.m. Monday at St. Vincent Hospice, Indianapolis.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Firth A. Shelpman**


Firth A. SHELPMAN, 71, of Versailles, formerly of Rochester, passed away Saturday at the Christ Hospital in Cincinnati.

He was born near Versailles on Feb. 22, 1937, and grew up in the home of Lee and Mary Ann Firth Strubbe.

He was married to Karla Naegele on Nov. 26, 1971, and she survives.

Other survivors include one son, Fred (Ann) Shelpman of Cross Plains, one daughter, Dawndalyn (Robert) St. Michel of Hayes, Va.; eight grandchildren.

Mr. Shelpman was a 1956 graduate of Versailles High School. He worked as a meat cutter in the Purdum grocery store in Versailles and also at Braley's Clover Leaf Store. He retired from the Teamsters as a truck driver hauling heavy equipment.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Stratton-Karsteter Funeral Home in Versailles. Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday. Memorials may be given to FAME or the Ronald McDonald House in care of the funeral home at P.O. Box 84, Versailles, IN 47042. Online condolences may be made at skfuneralhome.com.
Lois Hauser


Born in Cass County, she was the daughter of Elmer and Mary Hester Fergeson Miller. She graduated from Grass Creek High School in 1939 and was a lifetime Akron resident.


She retired from Controls of North Manchester in 1985, after 25 years. She was a member of Akron Church of God, the Goldenaires and the Order of Eastern Star of Akron.

She enjoyed her flower garden, crafts and knitting projects. She especially liked to prepare Sunday dinner for her family. She was a true fan of Krispie Kremes.

She is survived by a daughter, Susie McGuire, Avon; five grandchildren, Lynelle Wittmaack and husband Rob, Jamie Carter and husband Brian, Amy Tinney and husband James, Mark Leedy and Daryle Leedy; four great-grandchildren, Jacob Wittmaack, Thayne, Taylor and Tristan Tinney; and two brothers, Paul Miller and wife Nada, Jeffersonville, and Don Miller and wife Patsy, Frostbite, Fla. She also was preceded in death by her parents; a daughter, Betty Leedy, on March 3, 1996; and a son-in-law, Richard Leedy.

Her funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Friday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Burial will be at Akron Cemetery. Friends may visit with the family from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday and one hour prior to the service Friday. Memorials may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.
John W. Frasa

Memorial services for John W. FRASA, 49, of Suffolk, Va., formerly of Kewanna, will be at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Homes, Kewanna Chapel, Friday at 10 a.m.

He died at 2 a.m. Monday at Sentara Obici Hospital, Suffolk, Va.

Born Dec. 15, 1958, in Cicero, Ill., he was the son of Norman J. Frasa Sr. and Dorothy J. Hubeny.

He was a 1977 Kewanna High School graduate.

John was a former truck driver and airline mechanic and most recently owned and operated a Thomas Kinkaid art and John Deere toy store in Suffolk. He enjoyed Harley Davidson Motorcycles, airplanes and John Deere toys.

He is survived by his mother, Dorothy J. Frasa of Kewanna; four sisters, Nancy L. Carlson and husband Timothy, Teresa A. Sailors and husband Jon, Susan L. Hilton and husband Edward and Bonnie J. Frasa, all of Kewanna; a brother, Jerry L. Frasa and wife Jessica of Winamac; and an aunt, Lois Ulerick of Rochester. He is also survived by several nieces and nephews. John was preceded in death by his father, Norman J. Frasa Sr., and brother Norman J. Frasa Jr.

Father Bert Woolson will officiate at the services. Burial will be in Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Kewanna, at a later date. Friends may call from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Kewanna Chapel.

Online condolences may be made to the Frasa family at www.harrisonmetzger.com.

Thursday, May 8, 2008

Shirley Ann Knezevich

Shirley Ann KNEZEVICH, 72, of 338 W. Walnut St., Argos, died at 8:45 p.m. Wednesday at her residence.
Arrangements are pending at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

**John P. Plante Jr.**

John P. PLANTE Jr., 76, of 17443 West 16 C Road, Culver, died Sunday at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Survivors include his wife, Joyce E. Plante, Culver, and a son, Wayne Michael Plante, Deland, Fla.

His funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Culver Academies Memorial Chapel with visitation from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday at Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver.

**Robert Riewoldt**

Robert R. RIEWOLDT, 77, of 2696 N. Old U.S. 31, Rochester, died at 10:45 a.m. Wednesday at his residence.

Survivors include two daughters, Melissa Hulvey, Texas City, Texas, and Beverly K. Reynolds, Logansport; five sons, James Matthew Riewoldt, Etna Green, Robert C. Riewoldt, Warsaw, Patric T. Riewoldt, Bourbon, Jon Riewoldt, Warsaw, and David L. Ginther, Rochester; and a sister, Judy, Greencastle.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday and one hour prior to the service Saturday.

Friday, May 9, 2008

**Shirley Ann Knezevich**

Shirley Ann KNEZEVICH, 72, of 338 W. Walnut St., Argos, died Wednesday at home.

Survivors include a son, Michael Knezevich Jr., Argos; two daughters, Sherry Strahla and Mary Marjorie Knezevich-Kimsey, both of Argos; two brothers, James Moriarty, Argos, and Terry Moriarty, Plymouth; and two sisters, Marilyn Smiley and Linda Fuller of Wakarusa.
Services will be at 10 a.m. Monday at Argos Bible Church with visitation from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

**Robert R. Riewoldt**  
Feb. 15, 1931-May 7, 2008

Robert R. RIEWOLDT, 77, of 2696 N. Old U.S. 31, Rochester, died at 10:45 a.m. Wednesday at home.

He was born in Logansport to Robert Harold and Virginia Harbert Riewoldt. Robert graduated from Logansport High School in 1948. After graduation, he was beckoned to serve our country with the U.S. Navy during the Korean War. Upon his return, he enrolled at the Fort Wayne Business College, where he earned a degree in business. He was a 57-year member of the American Legion Post No. 424, Bourbon, and also belonged to the Veterans of Foreign Wars.


Robert was a tool and die maker for Midwest Spring, Mentone. He retired in 1996.

A woodworking craftsman, Robert was delighted to create custom gifts for family and special friends. These beautiful presents included lamps, cabinets, rocking horses, windmills and birdhouses, which were among his most appreciated. He also built model vintage airplanes from balsa wood, ships and carved miniature statues including a miniature-scale model of himself.

An avid walker, Robert strode along the Woodlawn trail with his loving wife, Barbara, or his wonderful canine companion, "Happy" the Walker Hound. Whenever Robert exclaimed, "Let's take a drive in the buggy," his family headed for the car. He will always be remembered for his spicy vernacular and superb sense of humor.

Prior to Barb's passing on Oct. 27, 2006, she and Robert were like two peas in a pod, inseparable - friends and family rarely saw one without the other. A prominent dessert connoisseur, his favorite delectable delights were peanut butter pie and fudgecicles. He was
noted as a meticulous record keeper and authored his personal tool and die reference guide.

Bringing Robert great satisfaction was helping others. Many times he would complete residential wiring for friends. An avid NASCAR fan, he cheered for Dale Earnhardt Jr. Television provided an enjoyable pastime - there wasn't a week without watching "Law & Order."

Survivors include two daughters, Melissa Hulvey, Texas City, Texas, and Beverly K. Reynolds and husband Jerry, Logansport; five sons, James Matthew Riewoldt and wife Janet of Etna Green, Robert C. Riewoldt, Warsaw, Patric T. Riewoldt and wife Lisa, Bourbon, Jon Riewoldt, Warsaw, and David L. Ginther and wife Cathy, Rochester; 17 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; a sister, Judy Bunch and husband Herb, Greencastle; and his canine companion, Happy. He was also preceded in death by his parents and an infant grandson, James Riewoldt.

A celebration of the life of Mr. Robert R. Riewoldt will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Friends may visit with his family from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. today and one hour prior to the service on Saturday. The Rev. Woody Slade will officiate. Robert will be laid to rest next to his beloved wife, Barbara. Military graveside rites will be accorded by American Legion Post No. 424 of Bourbon, LeRoy Shelton American Legion Post No. 36 and Veterans of Foreign Wars of Rochester. Preferred memorials in lieu of flowers may be made to Hope Hospice. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Sara Thomas

Sara THOMAS, 73, of 1122 Monroe St., Rochester, died at 8:57 p.m. Thursday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.
Kathleen S. Walsh
Kathleen S. WALSH, 92, died Tuesday, May 6, 2008. She was a resident of Kingston at Dupont, Fort Wayne, for the past four years.

Born in Grass Creek, she graduated from St. Joseph Hospital School of Nursing in 1936. She worked at General Electric before becoming an office nurse for Dr. Joseph Baltes.

She was a member of Allen County Board of Public Welfare from 1963 until 1985, an original member of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church and later attended St. John Fisher Church.

She is survived by nephews, James Walsh of Lafayette and Dr. Edward Baltes of Fort Wayne, and niece, Nancy Jones of Greenfield. She was preceded in death by a brother, James Walsh; sisters, Loretta, Theresa and Gertrude Walsh, Beatrice Stahl and Margaret Baltes; and friend, John Schnurr.

Mass will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at St. Ann's Church, Kewanna. Calling is from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. today at Klaehn, Fahl & Melton Funeral Home, Wayne Street Chapel, 420 W. Wayne St., Fort Wayne. Burial will be in St. Ann's Cemetery, Kewanna. Memorials may be made to St. John Fisher Catholic Church or St. Ann's Church, Kewanna.

Saturday, May 10, 2008

Sara Louise Thomas

Sara Louise THOMAS, 73, of 1122 Monroe St., Rochester, died at 8:35 p.m. Thursday at Life Care Center of Rochester.

She was born in Royal Center to Robert and Ethel Kistler Finger, who both preceded her in death. Sara was a 1953 graduate of Royal Center High School. After coming to Rochester in the fall of 1953 she accepted employment with Topps Manufacturing Company. On Dec. 22, 1954, she was united in marriage to Dale W. Thomas, who preceded her in death on Nov. 17, 2000. Their wonderful union of over 47 years yielded four children: Lisa, Brenda, Bradley and Chad.
For nearly two decades she is remembered by many locals as a shoe saleslady working with three families who owned one of Main Street's shoe stores - the Truitt's, Stephenson's and the Lahman's. She also worked in clothing stores. Sara was a member of the First Baptist Church of Rochester and collected guardian angels.

Blossoming later in life, Sara discovered an artistic talent she revealed to family and close friends. It was the beautiful landscapes she painted with acrylics as the medium of expression. Her technique was self-taught by reading books authored by the renowned Bob Ross. This art form also served as therapy for her as she recovered from Guillain-Barre syndrome.

Paramount in her life was her family. Sara will be missed by her loving children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren who adored her. She leaves her family and friends to cherish her memory.

Survivors include two daughters, Lisa M. Butt and husband Alan, Edwardsburg, Mich., and Brenda S. Urbin and husband Larry, Kewanna; two sons, Bradley Thomas and wife Lori, Rochester, and Chad M. Thomas and wife Cheri, Rochester; seven grandchildren, Kyle Butt and wife Carrie, James Clark, Heather Clark and fiance, Josh Overmyer, Morgan, Mallory, Madison and Ava Thomas; three great-granddaughters, Alayna and Larissa Overmyer and Kylie Butt. Several nieces & nephews also survive.

She was preceded in death by her parents and husband; a sister, Wanda Wireman; and three brothers, Reed, James and Neil Finger.

A celebration of the life of Sara Louise Thomas will be held at 10 a.m. on Monday at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 West 18th St., Rochester. The Rev. Junior Bose will officiate. Friends may visit with the family from 4 to 8 p.m. on Sunday and on Monday one hour prior to her service. Burial will be at Citizens Cemetery, Rochester. Preferred memorials may be made to any of the following in her memory: Southern Care Hospice, Rochester High School Booster Club, F.O.P. Shop with a Cop or Relay for Life: Midwest Eye Consultants Team. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family via goodfamily@rtcol.com.
M. Madeline Myers Bryant  

Margaret Madeline Myers BRYANT, 86, 1729 Wabash Avenue and longtime resident of 2715 Barrett Road, Rochester, passed away at 2:35 p.m. Sunday in Rochester.

She was born on Jan. 23, 1922, in Fulton County, the daughter of Omar Patrick and Ethel (Vanata) McLochlin. She was a 1940 graduate of Grass Creek High School. In September of 1956, she married Ray F. Myers. He preceded her in death in November 1990. In November of 1994, she married William Bryant. He preceded her in death in 2001.

Mrs. Bryant retired from Delco Electronics in Kokomo in 1987. She enjoyed the Red Hat Society and loved to play cards.

Survivors include her daughter, Patricia (Pier) and husband Paul Grube, Rochester; grandsons, Jeff Grube, Rochester, Gary Grube, Rochester, and Shawn and wife Brooke Grube, West Lafayette; great-grandchildren, Brad Grube and Ashlin Grube of Rochester, Sophie Grube, Kelsey Grube and Ian Grube, all of West Lafayette; sister-in-law, Marquitta McLochlin; and lots of cool cousins and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents and brother, Eldon “Pat” McLochlin.

Her funeral service will take place at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with the Rev. Timothy Grayless officiating. Friends may call from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday and one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Private burial will take place at Bruce Lake Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association. Online condolences may be sent to Zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

Harold D. Clemans

Harold D. CLEMANS, 86, formerly of Rochester, died at 2:30 p.m. Friday at his residence, 9846 Daisy Ave., West Palm Beach, Fla.
Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Jerry D. Maple**

Jerry D. MAPLE, 53, of 10850 East Indiana 14, Akron, died at 9:40 p.m. Monday, April 28, at Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Born in Warsaw, he was the son of J. Richard and Helen Waneta Kendall Maple. He graduated from North Manchester High School in 1973. On June 3, 1978, in North Manchester, he married Nayomia Lester Dotson. She survives in Akron.

He was a truck driver.

Survivors also include two sons, Jerry Maple Jr., Rochester, and Travis Michael and wife Danielle Maple, Fort Wayne; a stepson, James Edward and wife Lorraine Dotson, El Paso, Texas; a stepdaughter, Jennifer and husband Eric Murphy, Akron; two brothers, Jay and wife Nancy Maple, Pleasant Prairie, Wis., and Jeff Maple, Rochester; and seven grandchildren.

His funeral service will be at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with the Rev. Karen Ottjes officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service. Burial will be at Grant Memorial Park, Marion, where a graveside service will take place at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday. Memorials may be made to the Maple family. For online condolences: www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

Tuesday, May 13, 2008

**Helen Holloway**

Helen HOLLOWAY, 79, of Klinger Street, Plymouth, died of cancer Monday at Pilgrim Manor, Plymouth.

Survivors include her husband, Ronald Holloway, Plymouth; two sons, Thomas Holloway of Myers Lake and Dennis Holloway of Rochester; and a brother Lowell Holloway of Arizona.
Services will be at 1 p.m. Friday at Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, with visitation from 11 a.m. until the service.

Stephen J. Shedlock
Dec. 20, 1923-May 11, 2008

Stephen J. SHEDLOCK, age 84, Logansport, passed away at 10:22 p.m. Sunday at Memorial Hospital, Logansport.

Born in Bellevue, Penn., he was the son of Vendel Paul Shedlock and Mary Margaret (Herbert) Shedlock. On Jan. 3, 1980, in Logansport, he married Margaret M. Gross Neal, who survives in Logansport.

Mr. Shedlock was the proprietor of S & J Dry Cleaners in Rochester. He then worked until last year for Sunshine Cleaners, Rochester.

A United States Army Air Corps veteran of World War II, Steve and his twin brother, Paul, entered and were discharged from the service together. Serving with the 8th Air Force, Steve flew the missions that dropped the 101st Paratroopers at Omaha Beach on June 6. He participated with invasions in southern France, Rhineland, Ardennes and Central Europe. For his service he earned the following medals: Air, Good Conduct, District Unit Badge, Bronze Star and Victory.

Steve was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 3790, where he was past commander. He was also past commander at Post 1343, Rochester, before transferring membership to Logansport. He was VFW 2nd District past commander and past adjutant for Logansport and the 2nd District.

Steve also belonged to the American Legion Post 60, VFW National Home, Indiana Sheriffs' Association and 40 & 8 Voiture. He was a member of All Saints Catholic Church.

In addition to his wife, Margaret Shedlock, Logansport, he is survived by two sons and daughters-in-law, Mickey D. and Jan Shedlock, Alvin, Texas, and Rickey and Carol Shedlock, Rock Island, Tenn.; stepdaughters, Peggy Morter and her husband Robert, Mishawaka, Rita Clayton and her husband Dave, Logansport, and
Judith Loy and her husband Lee, Kewanna; stepsons, Mark Neal and his wife, Sheila, Muscatine, Iowa, and James Neal, Bristol; six grandchildren, Michelle Heuck, Winamac, Steve Shedlock, Ohio, Doug Shedlock, Friendswood, Texas, and Ricky, Melissa and Edwina Shedlock, Rock Island, Tenn.; and numerous great-grandchildren and stepgreat-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a daughter, Bonnie K. Kennedy; his twin brother, Paul Shedlock; and his half brother, Ed Shedlock.

A mass of Christian burial will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at All Saints Catholic Church, Logansport, with Father Jeff Martin officiating. Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday at Kroeger Funeral Home, 711 E. Market St., Logansport, with a Scripture service at 6:30 p.m. Burial will be at Ever-Rest Memorial Park with full military honors. Memorials may be made to the National Kidney Foundation. Condolences and personal remembrances may be left online at www.kroegerfuneralhome.com.

Wednesday, May 14, 2008

**Harold D. Clemans**

Harold D. CLEMANS, 86, of 9846 Daisy Ave., Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., formerly of Rochester, died Friday at his home.

Survivors include a daughter, Debbie Carbia, West Palm Beach, Fla.

A graveside service will be at 10 a.m. Friday at IOOF Cemetery, Rochester. Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, is handling arrangements.

**Rosanna Ross Iler**

Feb. 9, 1930-May 10, 2008

Rosanna Ross ILER went to be with her Lord on Saturday.

She was born on February 9, 1930, to Donald and Reva Ross in Rochester.

She is survived by her three children, Patricia A. Iler of Indianapolis, Carol Lynne Keen (Mike) of Carmel, and David Ross
Iler (Teri) of Columbus; her four grandchildren, Christian Keen, Bethany Keen, Ben Iler and Todd Iler; and her two brothers, Richard Perry Ross (Nancy) of Knoxville, Tenn., and John Ross (Darlene) of Indianapolis; and many nieces, nephews, and great-nieces and great-nephews.

She graduated from Rochester High School in 1948 and remained active in alumni activities and reunions.

She worked at the Indiana State Medical Association and for the Indiana State Medical Alliance from the mid-1960s until her retirement in 1999.

She was active in many church and civic activities. She became a member of Hope Church, of the Christian & Missionary Alliance, in 1977 where she served in various capacities with children and later in the Prime Time ministry. She served as president of the Crooked Creek Condo Association and as a workshop leader for The Brown County Women's Retreat.

Visitation was from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday at Hope Church, 2500 E. 98th St., Indianapolis, and a celebration of life service was at noon today. Donations may be made to The American Cancer Society or St. Vincent Hospice. A gravesite gathering will be scheduled later at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Friends may sign her online guestbook at: indianafuneralcare.com.

**Dennis R. Mishler**

Dennis R. MISHLER, 75, of rural Culver, died Tuesday at his residence.

Arrangements are pending at Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver.

Thursday, May 15, 2008

**Dennis R. Mishler**

Dennis R. MISHLER, 75, of 7457 W. 775 North, Culver, died Tuesday in Culver.
Survivors include two sons, Jeffery Mishler, Avon, and Kurt Mishler, Culver; a daughter, Dawn Mann, Plymouth; and three brothers, Terry Mishler, Kalamazoo, Mich., Lynn Mishler, Leiters Ford, and Larry Mishler, Mena, Ark.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, with visitation from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

Friday, May 16, 2008

Steven Lee Hooper
Aug. 18, 1953-May 14, 2008

Steven Lee HOOPER, 54, of 1101 Elm St., Rochester, passed away at 11:06 a.m. Wednesday at Indiana University Medical Center, Indianapolis.

Mr. Hooper was born on Aug. 18, 1953, in Gary. He was a U.S. Army veteran. On May 10, 2007, in Rochester, he married Jennifer L. Studdard and she survives.

He had been a licensed minister and paralegal. He was a member of the New Life Church and enjoyed playing softball, the piano and music.

Survivors include his wife, Jennifer L. Hooper, Rochester; stepchildren, Mandy Studdard and Hayley Studdard of Rochester; and his father-in-law and mother-in-law, Stanley and Helen Cramer, Rochester. He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers.

His funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at New Life Church, Rochester, by Pastors Bill Chappel and Jimmy Kelly. Friends may call from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. today at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, and one hour prior to the service at the church. Burial will be in the Citizens Cemetery, Rochester. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.
Robert W. Case

Robert W. CASE, 80, Delong, died Wednesday in Delong.
Survivors include two daughters, Mary McNerlin, Lewisburg, Tenn., and Paulette Bennett, Burbank, Ill.
Services will be at 7 p.m. Monday at Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, with visitation from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. Monday.

Nicholas Cory

Nicholas CORY of Hazard, Ky., has died due to an automobile accident. He is the Grandson of Betty and the late Clair E. Strong, Rochester.

Emma Mae Dawalt

Jan. 10, 1921-May 18, 2008
Emma Mae DAWALT, 87, of 1217 Jackson Blvd., Rochester, died at 12:30 a.m. Sunday at her residence. She was surrounded by her family and in the loving care of her husband of 67 years, William L. Dawalt.
Born in Miami County, she was the daughter of Oliver Fayett DeHaven and Fara (Butterbaugh) DeHaven. She graduated from Gilead High School.
On Nov. 21, 1940, she and William married at her parents' home. They were dairy farmers in Miami County. Also a homemaker, she was an active member of Ebenezer United Methodist Church, where she was well-known for serving chicken sandwiches, and the Ebenezer United Methodist Women. She belonged to the Order of the Eastern Star for more than 50 years.
In 1979, she and her husband, Bill, retired from the farm and moved to Lake Manitou. They had many fish fries at their lakeside home before they moved to their Jackson Boulevard home in 2005. They thoroughly enjoyed playing cards with friends and family.
Emma liked tending to her flowers and loved going out for breakfast with dear friends on Wednesday mornings.

She was a devoted wife, mother and grandmother. Her caring, loving spirit and beautiful smile will always be remembered by all who were blessed to have been part of her life.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by a son, David and wife Renee Dawalt, Twelve Mile; two daughters, Grace and husband Kenny Richardson, Macy, and Patty and husband Chris McGuire, Mexico; eight grandchildren, Stacey and Tony Dawalt, Mindee (Richardson) Turner, Wendy (Richardson) VanHorn, Rachel (Merrix) Kunkle, Chris McGuire, Jon and Mark Merrix; 13 great-grandchildren and another expected in June; and eight great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; two brothers, Ambrose DeHaven and Oliver DeHaven; and a sister, Ruth (DeHaven) Powell.

Her funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Ebenezer United Methodist Church, Miami County Road 1100 North and Meridian Road, with the Rev. Bill Babb and the Rev. George Hapner officiating. Burial will be at Ebenezer Cemetery, Macy. Visitation will be from 2 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, followed by an Order of Eastern Star service at 7:30 p.m., and one hour prior to the service Wednesday at the church. Memorials may be made to Ebenezer United Methodist Church, Macy. Online condolences may be submitted at www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

**Nicholas David Cory**


Nicholas David CORY, 20, of 108 Mayapple Lane, Dwarf, Ky., died at 3 p.m. Thursday as a result of injuries from an automobile accident.

Born in Indianapolis, he was the son of Tim and Cynthia Claire Strong Cory, who survive in Hazard, Ky. He lived the past 13 years in Hazard County, Ky., after moving from Fort Lewis, Wash.

Nicholas graduated from Perry County Central High School in 2005. He was active in athletics in high school and belonged to the
cross country, wrestling, jujitsu and soccer teams. Upon graduation, he enrolled and was a student at Eastern Kentucky University. Nicholas just completed his junior year as a business major.

A member of the Eastern Kentucky University ROTC, he served in the National Guard Unit. He achieved the rank of Staff Sergeant. His other memberships include the Mother of Good Counsel Catholic Church and the Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by a sister, Ensign Tina Cory, Norfolk Naval Base, Norfolk, Va.; two brothers, 2nd Lt. Kevin Cory, U.S. Army, Fort Drum, New York, and Christopher Cory, at home; his maternal grandmother, Betty Strong, Rochester; his paternal grandfather, James Cory, Bristol; aunts, Elizabeth Dermody and husband Bill, Zion, Ill., Lisa Blocker and husband Brent, Argos, and Kathleen Cory Whitmyer and husband Robert, Duluth, Minn.; an uncle, Shaun Cory and wife Terrie, Phoenix, Ariz.; and special cousins, Katie Dermody Shea and Bill Dermody, Sydney Whitmyer, Kellie Whitmyer and Stephanie Whitmyer, and Kirby Cory and Erin Cory. He was preceded in death by his grandfather, Clair E. Strong, in 2006, and his grandmother, Donna Cory, in 2003.

A celebration of the life of Nicholas David Cory will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Father Mike Chaowning officiating. Burial will be at IOOF Cemetery, Rochester. Friends may visit with the family from 11 a.m. Tuesday until the service. Preferred memorials are to the Nicholas D. Cory Memorial Scholarship Fund. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

**Bradley Eugene Hickle**

Bradley Eugene HICKLE, 49, Kewanna, died Sunday at his residence.

Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna.
**Christopher Allan 'Skip' Shambarger**

Christopher Allan "Skip" SHAMBARGER, 38, of 13328 N. 700 East, Roann, died Sunday at his residence.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Tuesday, May 20, 2008

**Robert P. Broda**

Robert "Bob" P. BRODA, age 66, Kewanna, died Saturday at his Bruce Lake home.

Survivors include his wife, Carol Broda of Kewanna; daughters, Michelle Kane of Glen Ellyn, Ill., and Carri Sinnis of Carmel; a brother, Charles Broda of Hobart; and a sister, Gloria Immel of Hobart.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Central time Thursday at Burns Funeral Home, Hobart, with visitation from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Central time Wednesday.

**Bradley Eugene Hickle**

Sept. 9, 1958-May 18, 2008

Bradley Eugene HICKLE, 49, Kewanna, passed away Sunday at his residence after a several-months-long battle with cancer.

Born on Sept. 9, 1958, in Rochester, he was the son of Howard E. and Carol J. (Hyatt) Hickle.

He co-owned and operated Kewanna Screen Printing and was an avid NASCAR fan and railroad enthusiast.

Survivors include his parents, Howard E. and Carol J. Hickle of Kewanna; a sister, Christine K. Fehrer and husband, Wayne of LaConner, Wash.; two nephews, Benjamin Fehrer of Bellingham, Wash., and Bryan Fehrer of Seattle, Wash.; and an aunt, Betty Hickle of Kewanna. He is also survived by many cousins.

Memorial services are planned for a later date with burial at Citizens IOOF Cemetery, Kewanna. Memorial contributions may be made to Relay for Life. Online condolences may be made to the
Christopher Allan 'Skip' Shambarger
Nov. 26, 1969-May 18, 2008

Christopher Allan "Skip" SHAMBARGER, 38, of 13328 N. 700 East, Roann, died at 4:40 p.m. Sunday at home.

Born in Fulton County, Ga., he was the son of Charles K. and Carol Crousore Shambarger. His father preceded him in death in 2004.

Skip lived in the Rochester and Akron communities since he was 5 years old. He graduated from North Miami High School in 1988.

On Feb. 12, 1999, in Peru, he married Carmen Wise, and she survives at home.

He worked in construction as a supervisor in the Chicago area and was a member of the International Laborers Union of North America.

A U.S. Marine veteran, he served in Operation Just Cause in Panama for three years. He was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1343 of Rochester.

In addition to his wife, Carmen Shambarger, he is survived by a daughter, Jesilyn R. Shambarger, age 15, at home; a son, Christian S. Shambarger, age 1, at home; his mother and stepfather, Carol and Marvin Bahney, Akron; five sisters, Kelly Lebo and husband Gary, Middletown, Ohio, Lela Nash and husband Gordon, Warsaw, Lory Newhouse and husband Barry, Fort Wayne, Jill Pugh and husband Kevin, Rochester, and Jana Green and husband Mike, North Carolina; four brothers, Chuck L. Shambarger and wife Robin, Jackson, N.J., Randy L. Shambarger and wife Vita, Rochester, Ty Bahney, Rochester, and Martin Bahney, Warsaw; and several aunts, uncles and cousins. He was also preceded in death by his grandparents; his
stepmother, Marjorie Shambarger, in 2005; and his best friend and
cousin, Rodney Shambarger, in 2005.

His funeral service will be at 7 p.m. Thursday at Good Family
Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with the Rev. Junior
Bose officiating. Military rites will be conducted at the funeral home.
Friends may visit with the family from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday at
the funeral home. Burial will be at a later date. Memorials may be
made to the Jesilyn and Christian Shambarger Education Fund at Lake
City Bank of Warsaw. Envelopes will be available at the funeral
home. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family
at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Thursday, May 22, 2008

Deborah L. Grimes

Deborah L. GRIMES, 40, Twelve Mile, died Monday at
Logansport Memorial Hospital, Logansport.

Survivors include her mother, Loretta Grimes, Culver; her
husband, Ernie Gates, Twelve Mile; four sisters, Christine Foster,
Rochester, Bobbi Jo Grover, Culver, Donna Woodward, Culver, and
Rachael Tibbs, Bristol, Conn.; a brother, Rudy Grimes, Lapaz; a
stepdaughter, Melissa Pickett, Fort Riley, Kansas; and a stepson,
Aaron Gates, Twelve Mile.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Bonine-Odom Funeral
Home, Culver, with visitation from 10 a.m. until the service.

Friday, May 23, 2008

No Obituaries
Saturday, May 24, 2008

**Arlene R. Greer**

Arlene R. GREER, age 91, of 1729 Wabash Avenue, Apartment 113, Rochester, formerly of Plymouth, passed away at 4:45 a.m. Sunday at Woodlawn Hospital in Rochester.

Arlene was born on Oct. 17, 1916, in Plymouth, to Gilbert and Hattie (Siddall) Lawrence. Arlene and Virgil P. Greer were united in marriage on June 29, 1939.

Virgil passed away on Dec. 25, 1997. Arlene moved to Rochester in 1998. She was a member of the Inwood United Methodist Church, Inwood.

Arlene is survived by her daughters, Rosalie Lowe of Rochester and Jeanie and George Rudich of Cedarburg, Wis.; her son, Larry Greer of Plymouth; seven grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Her funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, with Pastor Gail Law officiating. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth. A time of visiting with the Greer family will be from 11 a.m. until the service Tuesday at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be given to the choice of the donor. Friends are invited to sign the guest book and share memories with the Greer family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com.

**Stanley R. Balmer**

Stanley R. BALMER, 54, of 10275 N. Indiana 19, Macy, died at 4:30 a.m. Friday at his residence following a short illness.

Born in Mishawaka, he was the son of William and Alice Perry Balmer. He graduated from North Miami High School in 1972.

On Aug. 27, 1977, he married Jean Smith in Rochester, and she survives.
He was employed in the warehouse department of Embarq Logistics, Warsaw, and also worked part time for Deardorff Dairy Farm.

He coached basketball for 17 years at North Miami and kept the score book for North Miami varsity basketball games.

He was a member of New Life United Methodist Church, Mexico, and Lincoln Masonic Lodge, Macy.

In addition to his wife, Jean Balmer, Macy, he is survived by a daughter, Debra and husband Samuel Cole, Wheatfield; a son, David Balmer and fiancée Holly Oldham, Peru; his parents, William and Alice Balmer, Rochester; two granddaughters, Allison and Hayleigh Cole; a brother, Wayne and wife Merlinda Balmer, Roann; and two sisters, Jeannie and husband Jim Smith, Rochester, and Janet and husband John Lipps, London, Ky.

His funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday at New Life United Methodist Church, U.S. 31 and Miami County Road 400 North, Mexico, with Pastor Rob Bazner officiating. Burial will be at Gilead Cemetery, Gilead. Visitation will be from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday at New Life United Methodist Church. Memorials may be made to the church or the North Miami Athletic Department. Online condolences may be sent at www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

**Edward Pritchett**

Edward PRITCHETT, 82, formerly of Rochester, died at 12:34 p.m. Central time Friday at Good Shepherd Hospital, Longview, Texas.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Allen E. Zentz**

Allen E. ZENTZ, 58, of 17316 Tomahawk Trail, Plymouth, died Friday at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth. He graduated from Argos High School.

Survivors include his wife, Patricia Zentz, Plymouth; daughters, Amber Zentz, Plymouth, and Anna Zentz, Lafayette; sons, Andrew
Zentz, Fort Wayne, Adam Zentz, Plymouth, Jeffery Clifton, South Bend, and Ronald Clifton, Plymouth; and brothers, Ted Zentz, Plymouth, Roger B. Zentz, Argos, and Dean Zentz, Warsaw.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Faith Baptist Church, Plymouth, with visitation from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Monday at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

Monday, May 26, 2008

No Paper-Holiday

Tuesday, May 27, 2008

Frank Kats
Frank KATS, 52, Rochester, died at 10:26 a.m. Monday at Woodlawn Hospital.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

William D. Jagger
William D. JAGGER, 86, Silver Lake, went to be with his Lord Sunday at 4:05 a.m.
Born in Columbia City, he was the son of Fred E. and Ethel M. (Gipe) Jagger. He graduated from Silver Lake High School in 1939.

On Aug. 15, 1942, he married Evelyn L. Kline, and she survives.

He was a U.S. Marine who served during WWII in the Pacific Theater. He suffered injury during the battle of Saipan. He was awarded the Purple Heart.

He farmed with his father for a short while, was a house-painter and U.S. Postal clerk. In 1966 he and Evelyn purchased Summe Hardware in Silver Lake and operated it with their son, Larry, until 1994.
He was a member of the American Legion, Silver Lake, and a life member of Disabled American Veterans, Warsaw. He was a church member and deacon of West Eel River Church of the Brethren, Silver Lake. During the years Bill was raising children, he was a Boy Scout leader for more than 10 years. He enjoyed fishing, woodworking and "tinkering" in his workshop.

Bill loved his Lord, adored his "Evey" and treasured his children and grandchildren.

In addition to his wife, Evelyn Jagger, he is survived by two sons, Larry W. and wife Faye Jagger, Winona Lake, and Dr. Michael J. Jagger, Mishawaka; a daughter, Gaylo (Mrs. David) Goss, Rochester; a sister, Thelma (Mrs. Jack) Butler, Laketon; 10 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Fred E. and Ethel M. (Gipe) Jagger; two sisters; and a son, Phillip E. Jagger who died in 1970.

His funeral service will be held at 10:30 a.m., Thursday at West Eel River Church of the Brethren with Pastor Paul Tinkel officiating. Burial will be at Lakeview Cemetery, Silver Lake. Visitation will be from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday at DeLaughter-McKee Mortuary, 1401 State Road 114 West, North Manchester and one hour prior to the services at the church on Thursday.

Memorials may be made to Kosciusko Home Care and Hospice Inc., 902 Provident Dr., Warsaw, IN 46580 or West Eel River Church of the Brethren, 799 West State Road 14, Silver Lake, IN 46982.

Condolences may be e-mailed to delaughtermckee.com.

Garland "Skeeter" Wilson

Mr. Garland Dean "Skeeter" WILSON, 81, of 1519 Madison St., Rochester, died Sunday at 3:15 p.m. at his residence.

Survivors include his wife, Barbara J. Wilson, Rochester; three daughters, Laura Ann Conley and Rebecca Marie Elliot, both of Rochester, and Rhonda Lu West, Traverse City, Mich.; two sons, Jeffery Dean Wilson, Rochester, and Kenneth Alan Wilson, Warsaw.
Services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday and one hour prior to his service.

**Elsie Klobucher**


Elsie KLOBUCHER, 92, Life Care Center and formerly of 117. N. Ohio Street, Rochester, passed away at 5:45 p.m. Sunday at Life Care Center, Rochester.


Mrs. Klobucher had been a homemaker, a member of the Lutheran Church and enjoyed crocheting.


She was preceded in death by her son, Ivan Klobucher, on March 21, 2008 and two brothers, William Rosenthal and Arthur Rosenthal.

Graveside services will be conducted at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester with the Rev. Maurice Grindle officiating. Burial will be in the Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County.

Arrangements are being made by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.
Wednesday, May 28, 2008

Frank Kats

Frank KATS, 52, 1709 Monroe St., Rochester, died Monday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Survivors include two daughters, Tiffany Marie Kats and Frankie Lee Kats of Rochester; sons Frank Jason Kats, Hartford Alaska, and Dustin Wayne Hecht, Rochester; his mother Eva Boudreau, Hammond; brothers, Richard C. Kats, Rochester, Michael F. Boudreau, Hebron, Monty Kelley, Lucerne; sister, Regina Kelley, Logansport; and step-mother, Geneva Kats, Lucerne.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Friday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday and one hour prior the service Friday.

Edward C. Pritchett

Edward C. PRITCHETT, 82, Longview, Texas, formerly of Rochester, died Friday at Good Shepherd Hospital, Longview.

Survivors include a daughter, Patricia Mangan, Lewisville, N.C., and two sons, Micharel E. Pritchett, Plymouth, and John K. Pritchett, Rochester; two sisters, Nadine Hilty, Hammond, and Melva Szyblewski, Calumet City, Ill.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday and one hour prior to the service Saturday.

Garland 'Skeeter' Dean Wilson

Sept. 8, 1926-May 25, 2008

Mr. Garland "Skeeter" Dean WILSON, 81, surrounded by his loving family, went to be with our Lord at 3:15 p.m. Sunday. He passed away at his residence in Rochester.

Born in Mendora, Wis., he was the son of Robert E. and Salome Anne Wallace Wilson. Garland was drafted during the middle of his senior year at LaCrosse High School. He answered the call of our country and became a proud member of the United States Army.
This World War II veteran received his high school diploma while he was stationed in Japan. During his tour of Japan, he served as battery clerk and drove military officials and dignitaries around the base. He was also charged with guarding the sugar warehouse.

On July 1, 1951, he married Barbara J. Pfledderer at the Methodist Church in LaCrosse. They moved to Rochester in August 2005 from Kewanna.

As a young man, Skeeter assisted his Dad with the family farming operations in rural LaPorte County. His passion for farming continued throughout his life as he and Barbara settled in the Kewanna area and farmed for more than five decades, growing corn, soybeans and wheat. One of their most prominent crops was the popcorn they grew for the Weaver Popcorn Company. Later in life, he assisted the Jana Family Farms with their farming operation. In 1999, he retired from Fulton Industries.

A fisherman, Skeeter enjoyed fishing for bluegill and bass. He especially enjoyed fishing at the Collins Gravel Pit. An accomplished multi-tasker, he could be seen sitting in his boat using his casting rod with twin cane poles flanking each side of his boat. Sometimes he chose to fly-fish instead of cast. When the fish weren't biting, Skeeter relaxed by hunting pheasant and quail or trapping muskrat.

Survivors include his wife, Barbara Wilson, at home; three daughters, Laura Ann Conley and husband Dennis, Rochester, Rhonda Lu West and husband Larry, Traverse City, Mich., and Rebecca Marie Elliott, Rochester; two sons, Jeffery Dean Wilson and wife Glendon, Rochester, and Kenneth Alan Wilson, Warsaw; grandchildren, Brandon Conley and wife Brook, Gretchen Lahrman and husband Brian, Dustin Conley and wife Heidi, Adrienne Spangle and husband Drew, Stacy Zmikly and husband Joe, Clarissa Elliott, Whitley Elliott, Emily Elliott, Amy Widman and husband Ray, Adam Wilson and wife Nina, Aaron Wilson and wife Stephanie, Weston Wilson and wife Cassie, Alan Wilson and fiancée Danielle, and Andrew Wilson; great-grandchildren, Adrienne Kamp, Madelyn and Stella Conley, Nolan, Gavin and Maddox Lahrman, Brylee Elliott, Breidon VanDerwall, Audrey Widman, Skyla and Caleb Wilson; a
brother-in-law, Bill Barden, Anderson; and sisters-in-law, Bonnie Wilson, Fort Wayne, and Ruth Wilson, South Bend. He was preceded in death by his parents; four brothers, Charles, Harold, Allen and Wallace; four sisters, Mabel Daly and Lucille Barden and two in infancy; and a grandson, Vern Travis West in 1992.

A celebration of the life of Mr. Garland D. "Skeeter" Wilson will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Pastor Larry Dodge and Pastor Leonard Jackson officiating. Interment will be at IOOF Cemetery, Rochester, where military rites will be conducted by the LeRoy Shelton American Legion and the Manitou Veterans of Foreign Wars. Friends may visit with the family from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday and one hour prior to the service Thursday. Preferred memorials in lieu of flowers may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County, the United Ministries Food Pantry or First Church of God. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Thursday, May 29, 2008

Florence Dick
Florence DICK, 92, of 1729 Wabash Ave., Rochester, died at 11:16 a.m. Wednesday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Howard E. Hickle
Howard E. HICKLE, 75, Kewanna, died at 11:06 a.m. Wednesday at Starke Memorial Hospital, Knox.

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

Frank Kats
Frank KATS, 52, of 1709 Monroe St., Rochester, died at 10:26 a.m. Monday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.
Born in Hammond, he was the son of John and Eva Bushman Kats. Frank was a proud Zebra - graduating from Rochester Community High School in 1974. He moved back to Fulton County in 1986 from Booneville, Ark. He married Tina Hecht on Dec. 18, 1993, in Rochester.

A farmer, Frank enjoyed the livestock he oversaw, especially his horses, hogs, Black Angus and Holsteins. He also worked in carpentry and construction. On Saturdays, he looked forward to hanging out with the guys at the Rochester Sale Barn. To relax, Frank loved a good game of poker with his family and friends while he drank an ice-cold beer.

Frank was a family man who loved his children. A kid at heart, Frank looked forward to visits with his grandchildren. All attention was on them when they visited. He was delighted to play games and allowed them to help him wash dishes.

Frank will be remembered as a charming, laid-back and quiet man. He was loving, loyal and compassionate to his family and friends - willing to give even the shirt off his back. He leaves his friends and family to cherish his memory.

He is survived by two daughters, Tiffany Marie Kats and Frankie Lee Kats of Rochester; a son, Frank Jason Kats, Hartford, Alaska; a stepson, Dustin Wayne Hecht, Rochester; three grandchildren, Caleb Michael Kats, Dylan Matthew Kats and Nachelle Marie Gentry; his mother, Eva Boudreau and husband Francis, Hammond; two brothers, Richard C. Kats and fiancee Tracy Marcum, Rochester, and Michael F. Boudreau and wife Edie, Hebron; a stepbrother, Monty Kelley, Lucerne; a stepsister, Regina Kelley, Logansport; his stepmother, Geneva Kats, Lucerne; and several nieces, nephews and cousins. He was preceded in death by his father, John Kats, in 2001, and his brother, John, in 1986.

A celebration of the life of Mr. Frank Kats will be at 10 a.m. Friday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Friends may visit with the family from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. today and one hour prior to his service on Friday. Pastor Jerry Pitman will officiate. Interment will follow at the Athens Cemetery, Athens. Memorials in
lieu of flowers may be made to the family of Frank Kats. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

**Raymond L. Macy**

April 23, 1936-May 27, 2008

Raymond L. MACY, age 72, of 11686 Lincoln Highway, Plymouth, passed away at 2:17 a.m. Tuesday at Bremen Community Hospital in Bremen.

Raymond was born on April 23, 1936, in Rochester, to Harry and Mildred (VanDuyne) Macy. 

Ray was a retired carpenter of Local Union No. 1029 after 21 years of service. He proudly served his country in the United States Navy. Raymond and Jo Ann Webb were united in marriage on Aug. 2, 1963, in Mexico, Ind. Together they raised their three daughters.

Ray is survived by his loving wife, Jo Ann Macy; their daughters, Kimberlee R. Macy of Plymouth, Julie A. and Steven Goble of Plymouth, and Jennifer J. Macy of Indianapolis; two granddaughters, McKenzie Goble and Macy Goble of Plymouth; his brothers, Harry J. and Delpha Macy of Florida and Robert D. Macy of Rochester. He was preceded in death by his parents; his sister, Margaret Holdread; and his sister-in-law, Carol Macy.

Funeral services will be Saturday at 3:30 p.m. at Van Gilder Funeral Home, with the Rev. Charles Krieg officiating. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth. A time of visiting with the Macy family will be on Saturday from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the funeral home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth. The family would like for memorial contributions to be given to the Alzheimer's Association, 922 Colfax Avenue, South Bend, IN 46617 or to The Center for Hospice and Palliative Care Inc., 112 S. Center St., Plymouth, IN 46563. Friends and family may sign the guest book and share memories with the Macy family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com.
Paul R. Neff
Paul R. NEFF, 57. Rochester, a longtime Macy resident, died Wednesday at his Rochester residence.
Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

Edward C. Pritchett
March 27, 1926-May 23, 2008
Edward C. PRITCHETT, 82, Longview, Texas, formerly of Rochester, died at 12:34 p.m. Central time Friday at Good Shepherd Hospital, Longview, Texas.
Ed was born in East Prairie, Mo., to Clarence and Lura Peppers Pritchett. He lived on a cotton farm with his family in southern Missouri, near the Mississippi River. Following graduation from East Prairie High School, in East Prairie, Mo., he served our country as a member of the U.S. Navy during the World War II era. He then returned to the Hammond area, where he worked in various steel mills as a union pipe fitter and union steam fitter.
Life in the country beckoned Ed and Helen and family as they bought land and settled in Richland Township north and west of Rochester in 1957. During the next 35-plus years, until 1993, Ed oversaw the family farm raising Charolais’ cattle in the early years then later bred a variety of hogs and beef along with the grain crops of corn, wheat and soybeans.
Affectionately known to his best friends as "Mr. Ed," he and Helen would entertain friends and neighbors on the wraparound front porch chatting for hours into the dark of night. Ed looked forward to his Saturday trips to the Rochester Sale Barn, where he watched the sale and visited with all of his buddies. Ed was delighted to take his family camping on vacations from coast to coast. It was these times
that nature embraced them and adventures were greatly enjoyed and remembered.

In 1993, Ed sold the family farm and traveled around the southwest in his 5th wheel. He spent some time in New Mexico, then moved to Texas. Ed had always appreciated country-western and music of the big band era. But it was during this time that Ed discovered a new talent - his uncanny ability to do the Jitter-Bug. He jitter-bugged in contests around Texas and New Mexico with occasional wins. He also enjoyed morning coffee with the guys of Longview, Texas, and the many opportunities their gathering allowed for solving the world's problems.

Ed was a member of the Gregton First Baptist Church, Longview, Texas. He also was a former member of the Manitou Moose Lodge No. 1107, 33 degree Mason, Masonic Lodge No. 79, Manitou VFW No. 1343, and the LeRoy Shelton American Legion Post No. 36, all of Rochester. Ed will be remembered as a loving father, dedicated grandfather and devoted friend. He leaves his family and friends to cherish his memory.

He is survived by a daughter, Patricia Mangan, Lewisville, N.C.; two sons, Michael E. Pritchett, Plymouth, and John K. Pritchett, Rochester; two grandchildren, Ryan Mangan, Winston-Salem, N.C., and Ashley Pritchett, Plymouth; two sisters, Nadine Hilty, Hammond, and Melva Szyblewski, Calumet City, Ill.; and nieces and nephews. He was also preceded in death by an infant son, Gregory, and a brother, Carl Pritchett.

A celebration of the life of Edward C. "Mr. Ed" Pritchett will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Rev. John Branch will officiate his services. Friends may visit with the family from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Friday and on Saturday one hour prior to his service. Military graveside rites will be accorded by the LeRoy Shelton American Legion Post and the Manitou VFW at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery, where he will be laid to rest next to his beloved wife, Helen. Preferred memorials in lieu of flowers may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County or to the
Florence Evelyn Dick

Florence Evelyn DICK, 92, of 1729 Wabash Ave., Rochester, died at 11:16 a.m. Wednesday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Born in Claypool, she was the daughter of Percy and Ruth Gill Ring. She graduated from Warsaw High School in 1934.


She worked in supervision at Hart Schaffner & Marx until retiring at age 65. She was a member of Talma United Methodist Church since 1940.

She enjoyed sewing clothing and doing craft work including placemats and napkins.

Survivors include a son, James Dick, Omaha, Neb.; a grandson, Jeremy Dick and wife Jennifer, Omaha, Neb.; a great-granddaughter, Kennedy Suzanne Dick, Omaha, Neb.; a brother, Jack Ring and wife Lucille, Buchanan, Mich.; and nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, three sisters and a brother.

A graveside service will be at 1 p.m. Saturday at Hamlet Cemetery on Indiana 25 near Talma. Friends may visit the family from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. today at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society or Talma United Methodist Church. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.
Howard E. Hickle
March 1, 1933-May 28, 2008

Howard E. HICKLE, 75, Kewanna, passed away at 11:06 a.m. Wednesday at Starke Memorial Hospital, Knox, after a courageous battle with cancer.

Born on March 1, 1933, in Kewanna, he was the son of George A. and Eva M. (White) Hickle. They preceded him in death. On Oct. 8, 1954, he married Carol J. Hyatt, and she survives.

He was a 1951 Kewanna High School graduate who enjoyed antique cars and fishing. He was also a United States Army veteran.

Howard retired from NIPSCO in 1992 after 33 years.

Survivors include his wife, Carol J. Hickle, Kewanna; one daughter, Christine K. Fehrer and husband Wayne of LaConner, Wash.; two grandchildren, Benjamin Fehrer and fiancée Tammy Balz of Bellingham, Wash., and Bryan Fehrer of Seattle, Wash.; a sister-in-law, Betty Hickle, Kewanna; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his son, Bradley E. Hickle, and two brothers, Harold and Gerald Hickle.

Memorial Services for Howard and his son, Brad, will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, June 14, at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Homes, Kewanna Chapel, with Pastor Steven McPeek officiating. Burial will follow in the Citizens IOOF Cemetery, Kewanna. Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday, June 13, at the funeral chapel. Memorials may be made to Fulton County Relay for Life. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.harrisonmetzger.com.

Charles 'Skip' Jameson

Charles "Skip" JAMESON, 48, Rochester, died at 8:49 a.m. Thursday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.
Raymond L. Macy
April 23, 1936-May 27, 2008

Raymond L. MACY, age 72, of 11686 Lincoln Highway, Plymouth, passed away at 2:17 a.m. Tuesday at Bremen Community Hospital in Bremen.

Raymond was born on April 23, 1936, in Rochester, to Harry and Mildred (VanDuyne) Macy.

Ray was a union carpenter for 21 years. He was a business representative for the Indiana District Council of Carpenters and Millwrights for 21 years until retirement. He proudly served his country in the United States Navy. Raymond and Jo Ann Webb were united in marriage on Aug. 2, 1963, in Mexico, Ind. Together they raised their three daughters.

Ray is survived by his loving wife, Jo Ann Macy; their daughters, Kimberlee R. Macy of Plymouth, Julie A. and Steven Goble of Plymouth, and Jennifer J. Macy of Indianapolis; two granddaughters, McKenzie Goble and Macy Goble of Plymouth; his brothers, Harry J. and Delpha Macy of Florida and Robert D. Macy of Rochester. He was preceded in death by his parents; his sister, Margaret Holdread; and his sister-in-law, Carol Macy.

Funeral services will be Saturday at 3:30 p.m. at Van Gilder Funeral Home, with the Rev. Charles Krieg officiating. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth. A time of visiting with the Macy family will be on Saturday from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the funeral home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth. The family would like for memorial contributions to be given to the Alzheimer's Association, 922 Colfax Avenue, South Bend, IN 46617 or to The Center for Hospice and Palliative Care Inc., 112 S. Center St., Plymouth, IN 46563. Friends and family may sign the guest book and share memories with the Macy family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com.
Paul R. Neff

Paul R. NEFF, 57, 211 Westwood Lane, Rochester, and former longtime resident of Macy, passed away on Wednesday at his residence.

He was born on June 30, 1950, in Rochester, the son of Richard "Dick" P. and Marilou (Swantner) Neff.

Mr. Neff was employed by Kauffman Engineering in Logansport. He was a member of the House of Faith Church, Mexico, and enjoyed writing, singing and recording gospel music. He especially enjoyed spending time with his family, hunting for arrowheads, studying Indiana history and collecting sports memorabilia.

Survivors include his former wife, Debbie L. (Douglass) Neff, Logansport; daughters, Christy and husband Adam Venters, Logansport, and Tami and husband David Hart, Logansport; son, David and wife Deana Neff, Lafayette; grandchildren, Braden Neff, Logansport, Mikayla Hart, Logansport, Miranda Hart, Logansport, Preston Schlick, Logansport, Ella Neff, Lafayette; brothers, William and wife Tere Neff, Broken Arrow, Okla., Dan and wife Susie Neff, Indianapolis, Joseph and wife Marsha Neff, Macy; sister, Marilyn McWhorter, Somerset; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Sunday at the House of Faith Church, County Road 400 West and U.S. 31, Mexico, with Pastor Will Deeds officiating. Friends may call from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, 1101 Jefferson St., Rochester, and one hour prior to the service at the church. Burial will be at Five Corners Cemetery, south of Macy. Memorial contributions may be made to Life Outreach International through the funeral home. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

Joe Ray Stetson
He was a retired plant comptroller for Armour Company and a Kentucky Colonel.

Preceding him in death were his parents, Joia Ray and May Cleo Fugate Stetson, and a son, Joe Ray Stetson.

He is survived by his wife, Ruby Robeson Stetson; a son, David (Linda) Stetson of Lexington, Ky.; a daughter, Mary Biggers of Hendersonville, Tenn.; four grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Funeral services were at 7 p.m. Thursday at the Carey & Son Funeral Home in Springfield, Ky., with the Rev. Clay Stevens officiating. Graveside services will be at 1 p.m. today at the IOOF Cemetery in Rochester. Contributions may be made to The American Cancer Society or the Heritage Hospice.

**Stella Mae Stoneburner**

Stella Mae STONEBURNER, 86, Bremen, died Thursday at Bremen Health Care Center.

Survivors include two daughters, Babette Overman, Occoquan, Va., and Barbara Van Duyne, Rochester, and a son, Jay Stoneburner, Bremen.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday at Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen, with visitation from 11 a.m. until the service.

Saturday, May 31, 2008

**Charles 'Skip' Jameson**


Charles "Skip" JAMESON, 48, of 1306 Hill St., Rochester, died at 8:49 a.m. Thursday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Born in Rochester, he was the son of Claude "Skip" Jameson Jr. and Harriet Ann Fultz Jameson. They preceded him in death.

Skip was a proud Viking, graduating from Tippecanoe Valley High School in 1977. On the gridiron, as a student athlete, he was the kicker for the football team. A speedster, he ran the 100-yard dash on the track team.
Skip adored his children - he continued his love for sports as the kids' No. 1 fan, always cheering them on at softball and baseball games and tennis matches.

An armchair quarterback, Skip enjoyed watching the Minnesota Twins and Minnesota Vikings. He loved Indy car racing - especially May and the Indianapolis 500, an event he rarely missed attending. Retired driver A. J. Foyt was his favorite.

May also brought the opportunity to hunt mushrooms. Skip managed to find several pounds of the gray morels.

Each summer brought the annual family fishing expedition to Wildview Lodge at Little Island, Minn. Skip looked forward to relaxing on the lake with Trent and Chelsea. Armed with his favorite casting rod, he caught the limit of blue gill and bass.

A true gentleman, Skip never met a stranger. He leaves behind his family and friends to cherish his memory.

He is survived by a daughter, Chelsea Louise Jameson, Rochester; a son, Trenton Wesley Jameson, Rochester; a sister, Mary E. Jameson, Doylestown, Pa.; an aunt, Caroline Jones, Indianapolis; four cousins, Sally Stephens, Rachel Stephens, Doug Daake and wife Janet, and Dana Daake Stavedahl; and his canine companion, Morgan, the Australian shepherd. He was also preceded in death by an infant sister, Joanne Jameson.

A celebration of the life of Mr. Charles "Skip" Jameson will be at 10 a.m. Monday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with the Rev. Teri White officiating. Friends may visit with the family on Sunday from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. and one hour prior to the service Monday. He will be laid to rest in the Graceland Cemetery, Claypool. Preferred memorials are to the education fund established for the children of Charles "Skip" Jameson. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

**Stella Mae Stoneburner**

Stella Mae STONEBURNER, 86, Bremen, died Thursday at Bremen Health Care Center.
Born in Culver, she was the daughter of Harry Thomas and Nezzie Goldie (Fall) Swartz Haag. She graduated from Tyner High School in 1940.


She was a homemaker and retired from Meister's Drug. She enjoyed Bunco, gardening, crafts and her family.

Survivors include two daughters, Babette (J. Kirby) Overman, Occoquan, Va., and Barbara (Richard) Van Duyne, Rochester; a son, Jay (Traci) Stoneburner, Bremen; four grandchildren, Amy Van Duyne of Ashland, Ohio, Tony (Jillian) Van Duyne of Ashland, Ohio, Jay Kirby Overman of Occoquan, Va., and Jaymi Stoneburner of Bremen. She was also preceded in death by her parents.

Her funeral service will be at 1 p.m. today at Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen, with Pastor Tom Hostetler officiating. Burial will be at Tyner Cemetery. Visitation will be from 11 a.m. until the service. Memorials may be made to the German Township 4-H Club. Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen is assisting the family with arrangements. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.mishlerfuneralhomes.com.

Monday, June 2, 2008

Carolyn Hall

Carolyn HALL, 52, of 588 W. 375 North, Rochester, died Friday at Indiana University Hospital, Indianapolis.

She is survived by her husband, Ronald Lee Hall, Rochester, five sons; Ralph King, Portsmouth, Ohio, Stephen King, Radcliff, Ky., Joey Culley, Rochester, Joshua Hall, Roann and Brandon Hall, Elkhart; one sister, Debbie Skaggs, Graceland, Ky.; and three brothers, Albert "Peachy" Conley, Rochester, Ed Conley, Graceland, Ky., and Joe Conley, Owensboro, Ky.

A celebration of her life will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Good Family Funeral Home.
Bonnie Lou Noftsger
April 17, 1952 - May 31, 2008

Bonnie Lou NOFTSGER, 56, of 210 E. South St., Argos, died at 1:30 a.m. Saturday at Methodist Hospital, Indianapolis.

Born in Wabash on April 17, 1952, she was the daughter of Francis and Lois Yeoman Day, who both survive. She lived in Argos for about 30 years, having come from Culver. She was a 1970 graduate of Culver High School. In Bunker Hill on March 31, 1973, she married Jack Noftsger who preceded her in death on October 31, 1995.

She had been employed at the Lear Corporation, Plymouth, for 34 years, and had served as treasurer for a local union. She was a member of the Argos United Methodist Church, and had also attended the Plymouth Church of the Brethren. She enjoyed reading novels, cooking for her family and pot luck dinners for her church. She was a fan of NASCAR, especially Mark Martin, No. 8.

She is survived by one son, Jacob Allen Noftsger, Argos; one grandson, Noah Alexander Noftsger, Rochester; her parents Francis and Lois Day, Culver; one sister, Linda Odell and husband Sandy of Las Vegas, Nev.; two brothers, Dean Day and Patricia Wright, Stillwater Minn.; Dale Day and wife Shellie, Plymouth; and seven step-children. Several cousins, nieces and nephews also survive.

Her funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., with Pastor Ruth Yoder officiating. Burial will be at Rochester IOOF cemetery. Friends may call from 9 a.m. Tuesday until the service. Memorial contributions may be made to the Methodist Hospital Hospice or the American Cancer Society. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Ima Taylor
Nov. 19, 1910 - May 31, 2008

Ima TAYLOR, 97, of Miller's Merry Manor, Warsaw, passed away at her residence at 3:35 a.m. Saturday.
She was born in Fulton County on Nov. 19, 1910, to Charles Taylor and Jestena Coplen. She had lived in this area her entire lifetime.

Ima was a homemaker, where she was known to be an excellent cook. She also was well known for being a caretaker of the elderly. She never married. She was a member of the Mentone Church of Christ. She had looked after the elderly people for years and years and also looked after the community children. She loved and enjoyed flowers, sewing, reading and cooking.

She is survived by one niece, Dora and husband Noble Mentzel, Tippecano; her special friends Linda and Bill Cochran, Mentone; two granddaughters Leisa and husband Mike Norman, Akron, and Laura and husband Jeff Felzien, Vienna, Ohio; and two great-granddaughters, Jennifer and Krista. She was preceded by two sisters, Ila Elkins and her infant sister, Mabel; and three brothers, Elva, Verl and Delford Taylor.

Ima's funeral service will be held at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at the Mentone Church of Christ, North Broadway, Mentone, with Brothers Billy Steele and Keith Besson officiating. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the church. Burial will be at Mentone Cemetery. Funeral arrangements are entrusted to the King Memorial Home, Mentone.

Memorials can be made to the Mentone EMS or the Mentone Church of Christ. Online condolences may be sent to www.hartzlerfuneralservice.com.

Tuesday, June 3, 2008

Mary Ann Hackett

Mary Ann HACKETT, 78, Logansport, died Monday at Logansport Memorial Hospital.

Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Royal Center.
**Carolyn Hall**

Visitation for Carolyn HALL, 52, 588 W. 375 North, Rochester, who died Friday at Indiana University Hospital, Indianapolis, is from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. today and one hour prior to her 10 a.m. funeral Wednesday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Frances Kathryn Hite**

April 29, 1924-May 31, 2008

Frances Kathryn HITE, 84, died Saturday at Heartland Healthcare Services of Greenville in Greenville, Ohio.

Born in Lincoln, she was the daughter of William C. and Julia Imogene (Dye) Kloenne. She lived most of her life in Warsaw. She moved to Greenville, Ohio, 1 1/2 years ago from Rochester.

She married Everett A. Hite Sr., on April 12, 1941, in Plymouth.

She was a nurse's aide and attended Liberty Baptist Church, Rochester.

Survivors include two sons, Everett A. (Lisa) Hite Jr., Akron, and Daniel D. (Donna) Hite, Greenville, Ohio; a daughter, Sylvia (Dean) Holloway, Rochester; 14 grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband on Aug. 30, 1996, and a brother.

Her funeral service will be at noon Wednesday at Titus Funeral Home, Warsaw, with visitation from 10 a.m. until the service. Burial will be at Oakwood Cemetery, Warsaw. Memorials may be made to Kosciusko Home Care and Hospice, P.O. Box 1196, Warsaw, IN 46581-1196.

**Hugh Potthoff**

Sept. 23, 1942-June 1, 2008

Hugh POTTHOFF, 65, of Howard Street in Niles, Mich., passed away at his home on Sunday with his family by his side.

Hugh was born on Sept. 23, 1942, to the late Robert Sr. and Elizabeth (Underhill) Potthoff. He was one of seven children in the Potthoff household.

He was preceded in death by his parents; children, Francis and James Potthoff; and siblings, Bob and Bill Potthoff.

Hugh is survived by his wife, Judy; sons, Joseph (Shawn) Potthoff of Niles and Zane Rollf of Niles; daughter, Donna Curry of Elkhart; nine grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and siblings, James (Ronitta) Potthoff of Monterey, Thomas Potthoff, Chicago, Ill., Jean Winstead of Rochester, and Kathleen "Kathy" Fisher of Rochester.

A memorial service will be Thursday at Mission Hills Memorial Chapel at 10 a.m. Memorial contributions may be made in Hugh's memory to Hospice at Home Inc., 4025 Health Park Lane, St. Joseph, MI 49085. Condolences, photos and memories may be left for the family at www.BrownFuneralHomeNiles.com. Arrangements have been entrusted to Brown Funeral Home & Cremation Services and Mission Hills Memorial Chapel, both of Niles.

**Frank C. Richter**

Dec. 21, 1928-June 2, 2008

Frank C. RICHTER, 79, (Fulton) Rochester, died at 3:05 a.m. Monday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

Born in Fulton County, he was the son of Ernest P. and Jennie A. Gundrum Richter. He graduated from Fulton High School in 1946, where he played basketball for the Fulton Bulldogs.


He was a retired farmer and an Army veteran. He was a member of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 1343, American Legion Post 36, Moose Lodge No. 1107 and Eagles No. 852. He attended Fulton Baptist Temple.

Survivors include a son, Curt A. Richter and wife Sue, Fulton; two daughters, Cindy Rentschler and husband Hank, Fulton, and Mindy Willis and husband Mike, Peru; two sisters, Helen Brutcher and husband Frank, Logansport, and Donna Carvey and husband Dee,
Macy; a brother, Harry Richter and wife Dorothy, Rochester; special
friend, Evelyn Peters, Kewanna; granddaughters, Laura, Colleen and
Christine Rentschler, Fulton, Jennie Konkle and husband Brad,
Fishers, Briana Willis, Peru, and Stephanie Oehler and husband Ryan,
Fort Wayne; grandsons, Jonathan Remley and wife Tammie,
Logansport, Jamison Franklin Remley, Frankfort, Jeremy Remley and
wife Lori, South Bend, Matthew Charles Richter and Kyle Richter,
Fulton; four great-grandsons and two great-granddaughters. He was
preceded in death by a sister, Mary Ross, and a brother, Dean Richter.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at Fulton Baptist Temple
church, Fulton, with the Rev. Bruce Russell officiating. Burial will be
at Fulton Cemetery with full military graveside rites. Visitation will
be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday at Gundrum Funeral Home,
Logansport, and one hour prior to the service Thursday. Memorials
may be made to Fulton Baptist Temple.

Ethel Stayton Rothpletz

Ethel ROTHPLETZ died on May 30, 2008, at Glencroft Care
Center in Phoenix, Ariz.

She was born on July 20, 1911, in Leiters Ford to Fred L. and
S. L. Overmyer Stayton. She graduated from Leiters Ford High
School with the Class of 1929.

Since 1943, she resided in Phoenix. She was preceded in death
by two children. Her first husband, Robert Shirk, passed away in
1972. In 1975, she married Max Rothpletz, who passed away in

She is survived by two brothers, Ralph (Linda) Stayton of
Leiters Ford and Guy (Jan) Stayton of Akron. Also surviving are
several nieces and nephews.

Graveside rites were held in Phoenix on Monday, June 2.

A memorial service will be held at Ralph Stayton’s home on
Wednesday, June 4, at 2 p.m.
Thelma J. Newman
Feb. 15, 1919-June 3, 2008

Thelma J. NEWMAN, 89, Life Care Center, Rochester, passed away at 1:45 a.m. Tuesday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

She was born on Feb. 15, 1919, in Huntington, the daughter of Arthur and Minnie (Braman) Moore. On Feb. 11, 1947, in Plymouth, she married Donald Newman. He preceded her in death on March 24, 1972.

Mrs. Newman retired as Rochester Township Assessor and worked in the Rochester Township Assessor's office prior to becoming assessor. She enjoyed spending time with her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, collecting rocks and spending time in Michigan, especially in Ludington, Mich.

Survivors include her daughter, Kay Creviston, Rochester; grandchildren, Julia and husband Shanan Shafer, Rochester, Kendra and husband Ray Fuentes, Rochester, Don and wife Crystal Creviston, Leiters Ford, and Michelle and husband Scott Herrell, Rochester; 16 great-grandchildren; and a brother, Virgil and wife Dorothy Moore, Boulder, Colo. She was preceded in death by her parents; brothers, Walter Moore and Pealy Moore; and son-in-law, John Brubaker.

Burial and graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Athens Cemetery, Athens, with Pastor Robert Ritter officiating. Friends may call from 9 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. Friday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

Gertrude Pace

Gertrude PACE, 80, Rochester, died at 12:15 p.m. Tuesday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.
Thursday, June 5, 2008

Brandon Damien Keller
May 5, 1990-June 2, 2008

Brandon Damien KELLER, 18, of 6779 N. Indiana 25, Rochester, went to be with God on June 2, 2008.

Brandon was born May 5, 1990, in South Bend, to Tonya Keller and David Breyfogle.

Surviving family includes: parents, Tonya (Keller) and Mario Martinez, Logansport, and David (Heather) Breyfogle, Rochester; grandparents, Jerome and Rea Keller, Monterey, and Robert and Doris Breyfogle, Culver; great-grandmother, Marilyn Powlen, Winamac; brothers, Emmanuel and Mario Martinez, Logansport; sister, Eva Martinez, Logansport; uncle, Jeff (Kathy) Keller, Monterey; aunts, Amy (Rahul) Sarkar, Rochester, and Stephanie (Josh) Thomas, Monterey; uncle, Scott Breyfogle, Plymouth; aunts, Katherine Breyfogle, Culver, and Karen (Sal) LaDuca, Phillipsburg, N.J.; and cousin, Sarah Keller, Monterey. Brandon was preceded in death by his maternal great-grandparents, Clement and Marjorie Keller Sr. and Richard Powlen, and paternal great-grandparents, Harold and Sara Breyfogle and Robert and Mildred Dooley.

Visitation with the family will be from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday at Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, with a spiritual wake service led by Father Bert Woolson at 7:30 p.m. A mass of Christian burial will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at St. Anne's Catholic Church in Monterey. Brandon will be laid to rest in St. Anne's Cemetery, Monterey. Memorials may be given to Riley Hospital or Memorial Hospital of South Bend. Condolences may be sent to the family via the obituary page at www.bonineodom.com

Gertrude Marie Pace

Gertrude Marie PACE, 80, of 222 E. 13th St., Rochester, died Tuesday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

Survivors include two daughters, Donna Templeton, Akron, and Barbara Zglenicki, Lucedale, Miss.
A graveside service will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday at Thrailkill Cemetery near Swayzee. Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, is handling arrangements.

Friday, June 6, 2008

Loretta M. Grimes
Dec. 5, 1930-June 3, 2008
Loretta M. GRIMES, 77, Culver, passed away at home on Tuesday.

Loretta was born on Dec. 5, 1930, one of six children born to Burl and Mary (Walsh) Schofield in Frankfort, Ill. She was married in Metropolis, Ill., to Robert W. Grimes in May of 1976.

They later moved to Marshall County and eventually Culver, where she lived for the past 21 years. She retired from Ristance Corp. in Argos after working there for many years.

Loretta was a faithful member of St. Mary's of the Lake Catholic Church in Culver and a member of the Finney-Shilling VFW Post 6919 Ladies Auxiliary of Culver. She enjoyed working crossword puzzles and reading Harlequin romance novels.

She is survived by her loving daughters, Rachael (Ed) Tibbs of Bristol, Conn., Donna (Tom) Woodward of Culver, Christine (Michael) Foster of Rochester, and Bobbie Jo (Mike) Grover of Culver; son, Rudy (Mary) Konderla of Lapaz; and numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren. Loretta was preceded in death by her parents, husband, four brothers, a sister and her daughter, Deborah Grimes.

A time of sharing memories with the family will be from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday at Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver. Father Glenn Kohrman will officiate funeral services at 7 p.m. Interment will be private. Memorials may be given to the Finney-Shilling VFW Post 6919 Ladies Auxiliary of Culver in Loretta's memory. Condolences may be sent to the family via the obituary page at www.bonineodom.com.
Saturday, June 7, 2008

No Obituaries

Monday, June 9, 2008

D. Harvey Palmer
Dec. 25, 1923 - June 4, 2008

Memorial services were held today at the First United Methodist Church in Harlingen, Texas, for a Rochester native, Daniel Harvey PALMER, 84. He died June 4 after hospitalization from a heart attack and had been in fragile health in recent years.

He was born in this city on Christmas Day, 1923, the son of James and Mary Palmer, and graduated from Rochester High School in 1941. While an RHS student, he was a member of the varsity golf and track teams and when not in class worked for M. Wile and Sons department store.

After enlisting in the Army Air Force in 1942, Palmer became one of the pilots of Liberator transport planes flying the "Hump." That name was given to the dangerous 530-mile flight over the Himalayan mountains carrying supplies to the Chinese army that was isolated by Japanese forces. Nearly 1,000 men and 600 Air Transport Command planes were lost in this operation in nearly three years. Lieutenant Palmer had a few close calls himself, but preferred to tell of his earlier opportunity to fly over Bethlehem, Jesus' birthplace, on his own Christmas Night birthday.

Palmer had lived many years in Harlingen, the home of his wife, the former Billie Bingley, who survives. She was a Braniff Airlines stewardess when they met in Chicago. They were married in 1946 in Long Beach, Calif. He operated a Chrysler automobile agency in Harlingen and left for a time for the insurance business in the Houston area before returning to Harlingen as owner of Allied Building Specialties there.

Palmer was active in Harlingen church and civic affairs as Boy Scout leader, president of Lions Club, president of his church
administrative board and president of the board of trustees of the Scout camp for 10 years. He was an active hunter, superb marksman and, in his prime, a low handicap golfer.

Besides his wife, he is survived by two sons, Robert George, Harlingen, and John Andrew, Phoenix, Ariz. Preceding in death were a son, James David, and three sisters.

Burial was in Mount Meta Cemetery in Harlingen. Memorials may be made to the First Methodist Church in Harlingen. The Buck Ashcraft Funeral Home in Harlingen was in charge of arrangements.

Tuesday, June 10, 2008

Harry C. Peters

Harry C. PETERS, 90, Plymouth, born in Kewanna, died Sunday at Miller's Merry Manor, Plymouth.

There are no immediate family survivors.

Visitation will be from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday at Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, followed by a graveside service at 2:45 p.m. at Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Kewanna.

Wednesday, June 11, 2008

No Obituaries

Thursday, June 12, 2008

Louise Eaton

Louise EATON, 84, of 906 W. Main St. 1B, Peru, formerly of Akron and Barr Lake, died at 11:45 a.m. Wednesday at Caring Hands Healthcare, Peru. Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.
Charles Glendon Harley
Feb. 20, 1934-June 11, 2008

Charles Glendon HARLEY, 74, of 18044 Gumwood Road, Argos, died at 5:55 a.m. Wednesday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester, following an extended illness.

Born in Argos, he was the son of Forrest G. and Geneva "Ferne" (Pfeiffer) Harley. He lived all of his life in the Argos community. In 1952, he graduated from Argos High School. He served his country in the U.S. Army Reserves from 1952 to 1955.

He married Barbara Anne Marks on Aug. 8, 1953, at Walnut Church of the Brethren, Argos, where he was a member.

The owner and operator of C&S Outdoor Equipment since 1972, he moved it to the current location in 1976 and retired in December 1993.

He served on the Walnut Township Advisory Board during the 1970s.

Survivors include his wife, Barbara Anne Harley, Argos; two sons, Jeffrey Harley, Rochester, and Kevin "Scott" Harley and wife Valerie, Argos; two daughters, Mrs. Gregg (Robin) Hensley, Tippecanoe, and Mrs. Denny (Penni) Zentz, Rochester; 13 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren; a sister, Carol Easterday, Plymouth; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Friends may visit with the family from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos. Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at the funeral home with the Rev. Travis Hensley officiating. Burial will be at Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos. Memorials may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County, 420 Main St., Rochester, IN 46975. Electronic condolences may be sent to the family at memorials@earl-grossmanfuneral.com.
Opal Johnson
June 16, 1909-June 8, 2008

Opal JOHNSON, age 98, of Fort Myers, Fla., went to be with her Lord Jesus on Sunday, June 8.

She was born on June 16, 1909, in Rochester, the daughter of Glen and Susie (Felty) Overmyer. Until her retirement, she worked for the U.S. Government Veterans Administration and Office of Emergency Planning.

She is survived by her children, Corina Walker, Audrey (Robb) Moses, Joyce (Bob) Horwath, Dwight (Donna) Johnson, and Leroy Johnson (Tuan), as well as eight grandchildren (and spouses) and five (soon to be seven) great-grandchildren. She was predeceased in 1985 by her husband of 47 years, Leroy B. Johnson, and by a grandson in 1980.

She was the epitome of the Proverbs 31 woman, and a devoted and loving mother and grandmother. "...it is required that those who have been given a trust must prove faithful" (I Cor. 4:2); Opal more than met this requirement! Her love for her Lord was evident in all she did, from her care and interaction with family and friends, to ministering to the sick, the incarcerated, and to others in need of a loving touch. Her love was always unconditional, compassionate and full of grace.

She was a member of The Salvation Army Church, where she had been active in the Women's Home League until health issues limited her activity at age 93.

A service of witness to the resurrection and celebration of her life will take place at the Harvey Engelhardt Chapel, 1600 Colonial Boulevard, Fort Myers, at 2:30 p.m. today, preceded by visitation from 1 p.m. to 2:20 p.m. Interment will be at the Pine Grove Cemetery, Mt. Airy, Md. Because of her special love for children, the family would request that in lieu of flowers, gifts may be made to The Salvation Army Youth Programs, P.O. Box 60087, Fort Myers, FL 33906-6087; or World Vision, P.O. Box 9716, Dept. W, Federal Way, WA 98063-9716.
Louise Eaton
May 10, 1924-June 11, 2008

Louise EATON, 84, of 906 W. Main 1B, Peru, died at 11:45 a.m. Wednesday at Caring Hands Healthcare, 1850 Matador St., Peru.

Born in Bremen, she was the daughter of Clarence and Marie (Richter) Thompson. She married Stewart Eaton on Aug. 25, 1947, in Louisville, Ky. He passed away May 28, 2001.

She loved her job as a rural mail carrier in the Akron area and she worked at a factory in South Bend.

She also loved traveling and living at Barr Lake.

Louise was a big NASCAR fan. She never missed a race, cheering for her favorite driver, Dale Earnhardt Jr.

She was a member of St. Charles Catholic Church of Peru and was a 50-year member of the Moose Lodge.

Survivors include a daughter, Barbara Wiggs, Miami; two grandchildren, Nicole and Jeremy Musgrave, Peru, and Wes Wiggs and Brandy Wiggs, Peru; four great-grandchildren, Keenen and Alexis Musgrave and Casie and Natalie Wiggs; and a brother, Francis "Whitey" Thompson, Akron. She was also preceded in death by her parents, a son-in-law, James Wiggs, and a sister-in-law, Kathryn Thompson.

Her funeral service will be at 4 p.m. Saturday at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Father Frank Kilcline officiating. Burial will be at Akron Cemetery, Akron. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the donor's choice. Online condolences: www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

Anne Potter Allison
July 29, 1923-June 11, 2008

Anne Potter ALLISON 84, 318 W. Fourth St., Rochester, passed away at 6:45 p.m. Wednesday at her residence.
Mrs. Allison was born on July 29, 1923, in Evanston, Ill., the daughter of Ralph J. and Mary (Wynn) Potter. She was a Rochester resident since December 1959.

Mrs. Allison worked briefly with Dekalb Seed and then worked for 25 years as the administrative assistant to the manager of Torx Products (formerly Indiana Metal Company) in Rochester. After retirement, she enjoyed playing bridge, quilting, painting, traveling and spending time with her family and friends.

Survivors include her four children, Pat (Young) Hamann and husband Cary, Naples, Fla., Kate Haworth and husband John, Rochester, Dick Young and wife Karen, Wilmington, N.C., John Allison and wife Melody (Towne) Allison, Charleston, Ill.; seven grandchildren, Teresa (Hamann) and husband Ron Chilian, Dallas, Texas, Steve and wife Michele Hamann, Cincinnati, Ohio, Anne Marie (Haworth) and husband Mark McGriff, Columbus, Jennifer (Haworth) and husband Brian Richter, Rochester, Jason Young, Wilmington, N.C., Justin Young, Wilmington, N.C., Bevin Allison, Des Moines, Iowa; great-grandchildren, Andy Chilian, Dallas, Texas, Tommy Chilian, Dallas, Texas, Jake Hamann, Cincinnati, Ohio, Michael Hamann, Cincinnati, Ohio, Nicolas Richter, Rochester, Blake Richter, Rochester, Hannah McGriff, Columbus, Mariah Young, Wilmington, N.C., Isabella Young, Wilmington, N.C., Rosario Young, Wilmington, N.C.; youngest brother, Don Potter and wife Michel, Taylors, S.C.; youngest sister, Patricia Castiglione and husband Charles, Newtown, Pa.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; oldest brother, Ralph J. Potter who died in World War II; and two sisters, Inez Eggert and Lois Jagger.

Friends may call from 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Private services and interment will be observed. Memorial contributions may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County or Meals on Wheels Program at Woodlawn Hospital. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.
Marjorie L. McCaffry

Marjorie L. McCAFFRY, 78, Lafayette, formerly of the Rochester area, died Tuesday at Lafayette Home Hospital.

Survivors include three sons, Tim McCaffry, Brownsburg, Patrick McCaffry, Pittsburgh, Pa., Michael McCaffry, Lafayette, a daughter, Lynne Newlon, Beech Grove; and a sister, Maryruth Nickels, Franklin.

Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. today at Soller-Baker Lafayette Chapel. Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at Trinity United Methodist Church, Lafayette.

Saturday, June 14, 2008

No Obituaries

Monday, June 16, 2008

Claribel K. Quivey

Claribel K. QUIVEY, 93, 730 School Street, Culver, formerly of 17668 S. Pear Road, Culver died at 7:28 p.m. Friday at Miller's Merry Manor, Culver.

She is survived by one daughter, Alice Hartman, Plymouth.

Services are at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos. Friends may visit with the family at the funeral home prior to the service.

Elsa Jean Edington


Elsa Jean EDINGTON, 63, of 740 W. Sixth St., Rochester passed on into the loving arms of her Lord and Savior at 11:45 p.m. Friday at Woodlawn Hospital with her husband at her bedside.

Elsa Jean was born Dec. 23, 1944 in Petoskey, Mich. as the daughter of William and Esther Irene Reed Cooley. She moved to Fulton County at the age of three, when she took residence in the
Fulton community. Later she moved to Rochester where she lived most of her life.

On Aug. 12, 1961, in Rochester, she married Ralph "Dink" Edington. Their marriage was blessed with four children.

In the early years she had been an employee of the former Hart Shaffner & Marx corporation in Rochester. Later, in 1988, she retired to be a homemaker. It was then she found her favorite position in life, that of being a grandma!

She had attended Whippoorwill Community Church, Rochester. Jean, as she was known by most of her friends, loved baseball. She was acknowledged to be the Chicago Cubs No. 1 fan, very rarely missing a televised game. She was an avid reader, loved crocheting and all types of needlework for which she had made many a gift for family and friends. Her grandchildren were her special gifts from her children.

Jean is survived by her devoted husband of 46 years, Ralph "Dink" Edington, Rochester; two daughters, Christina L. Smith and husband Kevin, and Rebecca S. Blystone and husband David, both of Rochester; a son, Robert and wife Linda, Rochester; eight grandchildren, Stacey Smith, of Goshen, Ciara, Travis and Olivia Smith, Skyler Overmyer, Emiley Edington, Ella Edington and Benjamin Blystone, all of Rochester; a special niece, Abby Cheek, Rochester; two brothers, William A. "Bill" Cooley and wife Dolly, of Spokane, Wash., and Bernard "Shorty" Cooley and wife Lucy, Rochester.

She was preceded into her eternal rest by a son, Ronald Edington, June 26, 1987; her parents; and two brothers, Richard Dixon, Oct. 10, 1980 and Donald Cooley, April 2, 2007.

A celebration of her life will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Rev. Brian Sewell officiating. Her earthly remains will be laid to rest in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Family and friends will be received in the funeral home from 5 to 8 p.m. Monday or one hour prior to her services on Tuesday.
Memorials on her behalf may be made to the Good Family Funeral Home. Electronic condolences may be sent to her family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Tuesday, June 17, 2008

**Edwin T. Crissinger**
March 5, 1933 - June 12, 2008


Edwin was born March 5, 1933 in Pulaski, to Ralph and Ruth Raderstorf Crissinger. He was an athlete and 1951 graduate of Rochester High School. He served in the U.S. Navy from 1951 to 1955. On June 11, 1955 he married Shirley Tracey. Edwin worked in real estate in North Carolina and Virginia. He was a business manager for Dance Studio in Fairfax, VA.

Survivors include his wife, Shirley; daughters, Debra (Ben) Savage, Fairfax Va.; Julie (David) Ricci, Iowa City, IA.; grandchildren, Daniel Ricci and Cassandra Ricci, Iowa City, IA.; brother, Lavon (Betty) Crissinger, Rochester; several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Ralph and Ruth Crissinger.

Services are today at Memorial Funeral Home, Fairfax, VA.

Wednesday, June 18, 2008

**Jessica Renae Lambert**

Jessica Renae LAMBERT, 26, Lincoln, Ill., formerly of Macy, went to be with the Lord at 9:25 p.m. on Monday at Memorial Medical Center in Springfield, Ill.

She was born Dec. 3, 1981, in Sevierville, Tenn.

Survivors include her parents, Lennie R. Lambert, Macy, and Sandra Hodges Reagan and her husband Orville, Sevierville, Tenn.;
one sister, Brandy L. Lambert, Macy; and one brother, Travis J. Lambert, Macy; one nephew, Bradyn Michael Lambert; her maternal grandmother, Bobbie Hodges, Sevierville, Tenn.; and many aunts, uncles and cousins.

She was a 2001 graduate of North Miami High School and a member of Macy Christian Church. She enjoyed drawing, reading, watching Purdue basketball and attending MDA Camp at Kendallville.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents, Richard and Ethel Cattin and James Frank Hodges.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. on Thursday at McClain Funeral Home with Pastor David Welsh and Skip Shambarger officiating. Burial will follow at Plainview Cemetery, Macy. Friends may call from noon to 2 p.m. on Thursday before the service at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to help with final expenses.

**John E. Sweet**

July 12, 1940-June 17, 2008

John E. SWEET, 67, of 805 E. 12th St., Rochester, passed away at 5:39 a.m. Tuesday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

He was born on July 12, 1940, in Fulton County, the son of John E. and Bertha Mae (McGee) Eshelman. He was adopted and raised by Benjamin Franklin and Reatha L. (Flynn) Sweet.

Mr. Sweet worked at Rochester Metal Products. He was a member of the Eagles Lodge, an avid Chicago Cubs fan, Chicago Bears fan, loved listening to country music and was remembered for sitting on his front porch visiting with neighbors.

Survivors include his brother, John O'Connor, Warsaw; half brothers, Jerry and wife Janet Beaird, Rochester, and Ed Beaird, Rochester; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Patricia Thomas; and half brothers, George, Jack and Earl Clark.

Funeral services will be conducted at 1 p.m. Friday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with the Rev. Michael
McFarland officiating. Friends may call from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday and one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Burial will be in the Citizens Cemetery, Rochester. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

**Geraldine Timms**

Geraldine TIMMS, 92, Argos, died Wednesday, June 4.
Survivors include two brothers, Kenneth Brugh, Yorkville, Ill., and Ernest Brugh, Sebring, Fla., and her daughter, Phyllis Cox, Evansville.

A memorial service will be at 1 p.m. Saturday at Grace United Church of Christ, Culver, with visitation from 11 a.m. until the service. Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, is handling arrangements.

**Arthur Harold Zentz**

Jan. 8, 1909-June 16, 2008

PLYMOUTH - Arthur Harold ZENTZ, 99, formerly of Argos, died Monday at 2:30 p.m. in Miller's Merry Manor, Plymouth, of natural causes.

Arthur was born the son of Argos residents Elmer and Grace Forsythe Zentz on Jan. 8, 1909. He graduated with the Argos High School class of 1929. On Nov. 5, 1931, he and Glenn A. Sanders of Rochester were married at Bruce Lake. She preceded him in death on July 19, 1998.

Arthur made his living as a farmer in Walnut Township until he retired from farming in 1975. He also drove a hack, modernly known as a school bus, for Walnut Township School in the 1930s. He was a member of the Walnut Township Farm Bureau.

Arthur is survived by his daughter, Marilyn (Zentz) Calhoun, of Plymouth; three grandchildren, Steve (Deborah) Calhoun of Plymouth, Gary (Ginger) Calhoun of Argos and Leesburg, and Brian (Pam) Calhoun of Leiters Ford. Two great-grandchildren survive as well; they are Brandon (Erin) Calhoun and Allison Calhoun, all of Plymouth. In addition to his spouse, he was preceded in death by a
son-in-law, Donald Calhoun; a brother and sister-in-law, Orville (Ruth) Zentz; and a sister, Opal Hanes.

Friends are invited to share memories with his family from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. on Thursday at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth. Funeral services will follow visitation at 3 p.m. in the funeral home. The Rev. Robert Rice from the Walnut Church of the Brethren will officiate. Burial will be in the Walnut Church of the Brethren Cemetery, Argos. Memorial gifts in honor of Arthur may be made to the Tippecanoe Watershed Foundation. Letters of condolence may be sent to the family via the funeral home's Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com.

Thursday, June 19, 2008

Howard P. Howard Jr.

Senior Master Sergeant Howard P. HOWARD Jr., formerly of Nyona Lake, graduated into the presence of the Lord May 17, 2008, following a short illness.

Born in Memphis, Tenn., in 1935, his family moved to Nyona Lake in 1946. He graduated from Fulton High School in 1953. Before serving his country in the United States Air Force for 26 years, he worked as a meat cutter at the A&P grocery store in Rochester, and also drove a truck route for a local bakery. He retired from the Air Force while stationed in San Antonio, Texas, and remained there.

Howard is survived by his wife, Joan; his children, Howard P. Howard III (Bud) from Dallas, Texas, Chris, San Antonio, Meg, San Antonio, Michelle, San Antonio, and Tim, San Antonio. He has several grandchildren, all living in the San Antonio area, and one great-grandchild. He is also survived by his sisters, Mary Lou (Lu) Cassel, Fort Wayne, and Robin Howard, Warsaw.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Howard P. Howard Sr. and Mary Howard, and also by his brother, Noel Howard.
Lucille M. Fiedler
Lucille M. FIEDLER, 83, Mesa, Ariz., formerly of Lucerne, died at 8:57 p.m. Tuesday at Banner Baywood Medical Center, Mesa. Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Royal Center.

Friday, June 20, 2008

Cecil B. Binkley
Cecil B. BINKLEY, 90, of 9046 W. Old U.S. 30, Etna Green, died Thursday at Goshen General Hospital. Survivors include his wife, Maxine, and two children, Carolyn Shigley, Hazel Crest, Ill., and Larry Binkley, Etna Green. Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, Bourbon, with visitation from 11 a.m. until the service.

Lucille M. Fiedler
Lucille M. FIEDLER, 83, Mesa, Ariz., formerly of Lucerne, died Tuesday at Banner Baywood Medical Center, Mesa. Survivors include three sons, Russell E. Fiedler, Apache Junction, Ariz., Neil A. Fiedler, Logansport, and Loren "Tom" Fiedler, Logansport; three daughters, Donna I. Cottrill, Lafayette, LuAnn Davis, Logansport, and Debra S. Smith, Kewanna; and a sister, Cleora Remaly, Rossville. Services will be at 10 a.m. Monday at Metea Baptist Cemetery. Harrison-Metzger Funeral Home, Royal Center, is handling arrangements.

Retha V. Mollenhour
Retha V. MOLLENHOUR, 99, Grace Village Retirement Community, Winona Lake, formerly of Mentone, died at 7:34 a.m. Thursday at Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw. Survivors include a son, Don Herendeen, Punta Gorda, Fla. Services will be at 2 p.m. Sunday at First Baptist Church, 301 N. Broadway, Mentone, with visitation from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday
at the church. King Memorial Home, Mentone, is handling arrangements.

Saturday, June 21, 2008

**Retha V. Mollenhour**  

Retha V. MOLLENHOUR, 99, formerly of Mentone, died at 7:34 a.m. Thursday at Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw. She lived at Grace Village Retirement Community, Winona Lake.

Born in Miami County, she was the daughter of William Cloyd Kercher and Nellie Krieg Kercher. She married Kenneth M. Mollenhour on July 24, 1937. He passed away Oct. 20, 1994.

A homemaker, she lived on a farm near Palestine before moving to Mentone, where she lived in her home for 42 years. She enjoyed reading and flowers and was a member of First Baptist Church, Mentone.

Survivors include a son, Don Herendeen, Punta Gorda, Fla., and two grandchildren, Deborah K. Bell, Indianapolis, and Dennis A. Herendeen, Akron. She was also preceded in death by her parents; two sisters, Alta Hudson and Nina Working; a brother, Russell Kercher; and a son, Bob Herendeen, on Jan. 22, 1994.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Sunday at First Baptist Church, 301 N. Broadway, Mentone, with the Revs. Norman McVey and Michael Wilhite officiating. Burial will be at Mentone Cemetery, Mentone. Visitation will be from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday at the church. Memorials may be made to Mentone First Baptist Church. Arrangements have been entrusted to King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone. Online condolences: www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

**Dorese A. Kimble Miller**

Dorese A. Kimble MILLER, 85, Kewanna, died Friday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.
Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna, with visitation from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday.

Monday, June 23, 2008

No Obituaries

Tuesday, June 24, 2008

Dorese A. Kimble Miller  
May 10, 1923-June 20, 2008

Services for Dorese A. Kimble MILLER, 85, Kewanna, will be at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel.

She died at 10:58 a.m. Friday at Woodlawn Hospital in Rochester.

Dorese was born on May 10, 1923, in Kewanna. On June 20, 1941, she married Ermal R. Kimble and he preceded her in death on March 18, 1960.

On Nov. 14, 1993, she married Charles Damon Miller and he preceded her in death on March 6, 2006.

She was a 1941 Kewanna High School graduate.

Dorese was a homemaker, a member of the Kewanna United Methodist Church and a former member of the Grass Creek Ladies Aid. She enjoyed crosstitching, puzzles and flowers and she was also an avid I.U. basketball fan.

Surviving are two sons, Larry R. Kimble of Kewanna and Jerry J. Kimble and his wife Kenan of Bowling Green, Ky.; one daughter, JoAnn Collins and her husband Doran of Kewanna; six grandchildren, Rae Ann Snider, David Kimble and wife Tiffany and Terry Kimble and wife Sara, all of Kewanna, Michael Kimble and wife Jennifer of Talma, Mark Kimble of Indianapolis and Brittany Duca of Kewanna; 12 great-grandchildren; four great-great-grandchildren and six
stepgrandchildren. Also preceding her in death is her mother, Edna Calvin, and daughter-in-law, Beverly Kimble.

Pastor Steven McPeek and Chaplain Jason See will officiate at the services. Burial will be at Citizens IOOF Cemetery, Kewanna. Friends may call from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. today at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Homes, Kewanna Chapel. Online condolences may be made to the family at www.harrisonmetzger.com.

**Julia Overmyer**

Julia (McKee) OVERMYER, 78, Culver, died Sunday at Miller's Merry Manor, Culver.

Survivors include five sons, Cortland "Corky" Overmyer, Dorr, Mich., Thomas Overmyer, Culver, Ned Overmyer, Rochester, Brett Overmyer, Cicero, Brian Overmyer, Argos; two brothers, Vern McKee, Culver, and Don McKee, Nappanee; and two sisters, Mary Powers, Culver, and Sadie Fisher, Bremen.

Services will be at 7 p.m. Thursday at Grace United Church of Christ, Culver, with visitation from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday.

**Viola F. Lisdat**

Viola F. (Thomas) LISDAT, 79, of 3138 S. 450 West, Warsaw, died Monday at Grace Village Health Care, Winona Lake.

Survivors include her husband, Erich E. Lisdat, Warsaw; a sister, Kathryn Greenawalt, Nappanee; and a brother, Robert L. Thomas, Warsaw.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday at First Baptist Church, 301 N. Broadway, Mentone, with visitation from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday at the church. King Memorial Home, Mentone, is handling arrangements.

**Tuesday, June 25, 2008**

No Obituaries
Friday, June 27, 2008

**Ronald Leroy Bogseth Sr.**

Ronald Leroy BOGSETH Sr., 54, of 702 Stanley Drive, Westville, died unexpectedly Sunday at LaPorte Hospital.

Survivors include two sons, Ronald Leroy Bogseth, Valparaiso, and Kevin Michael Bogseth, Westville; six sisters, Faith Stieirt, Patricia Bogseth, Leona Taylor, all of Fox Lake, Ill., Loretta Arko, Vernon Hills, Ill., Carol Knapp, Libertyville, Ill., Laura Bogseth, Mountain Home, Ark.; and two brothers, Larry Bogseth and Gerald Bogseth of Rochester.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at K.K. Hamsher Funeral Home, Fox Lake, Ill., with visitation one hour prior to the service. Arrangements are by Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Saturday, June 28, 2008

**Sandra Jean Gagnon**


Sandra Jean GAGNON, 43, Akron, died at 9:10 a.m. Friday at her home. She was born Oct. 5, 1964, in Wabash, to Bill Sturgill and Molly (Brock) Swift.

Sandra was a 1983 graduate of Northfield High School. She was an administrator at Oakbrook Village Nursing Home in Huntington. Mrs. Gagnon was a member of Potter's House Ministries in Wabash. She loved shopping, reading, quoting the Bible, being in the sun, cooking, and her dog, Spirit.

She is survived by her husband, Terry L. Gagnon of Akron; her parents, Bill Sturgill of Roann and Molly Swift of North Manchester; three daughters, Cassandra Haupert of Fort Wayne, Kristal Gearhart and Renee Gagnon, both of Akron; two sons, Eric Gearhart and Heath Gagnon, both of Akron; three sisters, Sonia Poe, Robin Stanton and Ruth Sturgill, all of Roann; four brothers, Billy (Rane) Sturgill Jr. and Danny Allen, both of Peru, Josh Allen of Florida, and Dustin Allen of North Manchester.
Funeral services will be at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 335 Chippewa Road, Roann, on Monday at 2 p.m. with Pastor Bernice Pickering officiating. Burial will be at Roann Community Cemetery, Roann. Friends may call from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home. The memorial guest book for Sandra may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com.

Monday, June 30, 2008

**Ryan Scott Holloway**

Ryan Scott HOLLOWAY, 20, McCarty Lane, Rochester, died Sunday at 12:30 p.m. as a result of a traffic accident at Kosciusko County Road 1300 West and Indiana 25.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Theann 'Annie' F. Mollette**


Theann "Annie" Ferrol MOLLETTE, 40, of 1129 Main St., Apt. 1, Rochester, died at 12:20 a.m. Sunday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Born in Rochester, she was the daughter of Bennie and Dorothy Dias Noftsger. She was a lifetime Rochester resident.

On Sept. 5, 2003, she married John W. Mollette in Rochester and he survives at home.

Annie was a housewife and enjoyed spending time with her extended family.

A nature lover, Annie and John floated in their canoe down the Wabash River from Wabash to Peru, camping out and fishing along the way. There was nothing better than landing a flathead cat and relaxing by the sparkling moonlit waters. Lake Manitou beckoned them as another great location to relax and fish.

Annie loved NASCAR racing and cheered wildly for No. 8, Dale Earnhart Jr. At the computer, she played Mario and a variety of card games including rummy, solitaire and spider. TV served as a
favorite form of relaxation - she watched "Little House on the Prairie," The Food Channel, "Days of Our Lives" and "Passion." She always took time to watch SpongeBob with her nephew, T.J. She also amassed a collection of assorted monkeys.

A loving and tender aunt, Annie looked forward to visits from her nieces and nephews. She cherished spending time with the light of her life, her granddaughter Emma. Annie will be remembered for her sense of humor and teasing, a loyal sister, devoted daughter, dedicated wife, a loving and adoring mom, aunt and grandma, who treasured the times spent with her family. She will be missed by her family and friends.

Survivors also include her mother, Dorothy Noftsger, Rochester; a son, Ryan Weese and fiancée Haley Dille, Rochester; a granddaughter, Emma Michelle Weese, Rochester; six sisters, Nancy Lyke and husband Leroy, LaPaz, Sara Oliver and husband John, Teresa Maynard, Bonnie Hicks, Roxie Noftsger, Helen and Jerry Weese, all of Rochester; a brother, Peter Noftsger and wife Kathy, Palestine; and nieces, nephews and cousins. She was preceded in death by her father, Bennie Noftsger, on Aug. 20, 2003; a son, Dean Brian Weese, on Nov. 26, 1988; a brother, Benjamin Noftsger, on Nov. 26, 1967; a brother-in-law, E.W. Maynard; and her grandparents, Howard and Anna Burnett Heishman.

A celebration of the life of Theann "Annie" Ferrol Noftsger Mollette will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Good Family Funeral Home. Pastor Jerry Pitman will officiate. Friends may visit with the family from 9 a.m. until the hour of the service. She will be laid to rest at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Preferred memorials in lieu of flowers may be made to the American Heart Association. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

**Lelan (Lee) Poppy**

Lelan (Lee) POPPY, 90, DeLeon Springs, Fla., formerly of Akron, passed away Monday, June 9, 2008, at Hospice in Port Orange, Fla.
He was predeceased by his parents, two brothers and three sisters.

Survivors include his wife of 32 years, Betty Poppy, and their four children and three stepsons, Angela Samero (Marty), DeLand, Fla., Rebecca Gardner, Tennessee, Elizabeth Burnside, Michigan, Lelan Poppy II (Toni), North Carolina, and Jeff Ruff, Larry Ruff (Dodi) and Tim Ruff (Karen), all of Indiana. He also leaves behind 13 grandchildren, six stepgrandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren and 11 stepgreat-grandchildren.

A remembrance service will be held at Laketon Cemetery at 2 p.m. on Thursday, July 3, with the Rev. Terry Canfield officiating.

Donations can be made to Hospice of Volusia/Flager, 3800 Woodbriar Trail, Port Orange, FL 32129.

Tuesday, July 1, 2008

Ryan Scott Holloway

Ryan Scott HOLLOWAY, 20, 4210 McCarty Lane, Rochester, died at 12:30 p.m. Sunday at Kosciusko County Road 1300 West and Indiana 25 near Mentone as a result of a traffic accident.

A lifetime resident of Fulton County, Ryan was born in Rochester. The son of Gregory and Kari Loper Holloway, he attended Caston School. During his years at Caston, he played for the Comet football team as defensive end and on the specialty teams. He was a devoted Colts fan and especially enjoyed cheering for Peyton Manning.

Ryan was an avid outdoorsman. He enjoyed relaxing at the gravel pit while he camped and fished. A deer hunter, he enjoyed the challenge of hunting with his PSE II bow and arrows or his 12 gauge Muster. Ryan was very close to his younger brothers, sisters and cousins. He enjoyed wrestling with them.

The eldest of his generation, Ryan will be remembered for his intense love of movies, especially those of Steven Seagal, his lightheartedness and his wonderful sense of humor. His favorite food
was chicken of any kind. Ryan leaves behind his family and many friends to cherish his memory.

Survivors include a son, Cayden; his mother, Kari Felda and husband Jim, Kewanna; his father, Greg Holloway and wife Alice, Grovetown, Ga.; two sisters, Tiffany Felda and Amber Felda; four brothers, Calvin Holloway, Wil Holloway, Jake Felda and David Felda; his grandparents, Karen and Mike Sixbey, William and Cindy Loper and Bernie and Grace Holloway, all of Rochester, and Shirley Felda, Kewanna; aunts and uncles, Ginger and Bob Reed, Tariesa and George Vendola, Matt and Lyn Loper, Rhonda and Brian Johnson, Lauren and Dan Jefferies, Chuck Felda, Tom Felda, Tammy and Ken Clancy and David and Penny Holloway; several cousins; and special friends, Amber and Jayda. He was preceded in death by his grandfather, Thomas Felda, on Feb. 13, 2004, and his aunt, Patty Felda, on April 15, 2008.

A celebration of the life of Ryan Scott Holloway will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Pastor Teri White officiating. Ryan will be interred at Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Friends may visit with the family from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday and one hour prior to the services. Memorials in lieu of flowers may be made to the Ryan Scott Holloway Fund. Envelopes are available at the funeral home. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Bryant M. Scott

Bryant M. SCOTT, 18, Tippecanoe, died at 12:30 p.m. Sunday as a result of a traffic accident at Indiana 25 and Kosciusko County Road 1300 West near Mentone.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.
Shirley L. Sheneman
Feb. 6, 1925-June 29, 2008

Shirley L. SHENEMAN, 83, of 9005 S. Bond Cemetery Road, Amboy, died at 8:48 p.m. Sunday at her residence.

Born in Miami County, she was the daughter of Rex M. and Nellie Hite Finch. She married Stewart Sheneman on April 14, 1941. He preceded her in death on Nov. 24, 2005.

She was a homemaker and attended Amboy United Methodist Church, Amboy. She was a member of the Amboy Rebecca Lodge.

Survivors include five daughters, Susie Zirkle, Cherry Cunningham and her husband Buck, all of Amboy, Rebecca Van Horn and her husband Don, Rochester, Casey Shafer and her husband Eddie, Marion, and Peggy Myers and her husband Steve, Macy; a sister, Cleo Ragsdale and her husband Jack, Lafayette; grandchildren, David Cunningham, Barbara Shaw, Bradley Zirkle, Randy Zirkle, Julie Orr, Lori Hazelwood, Jody Lee, Drew Griggs, Jeff Bowland, Amy Miller, Matt Myers and Kim White; great-grandchildren, Jessica Shaw, Josh Shaw, Bryan Zirkle, Mallory Orr, Trev Orr, Bradley Hazelwood, Shelby Hazelwood, Patrick Lee, Mason Myers, Kody Myers, Ethan Bowland, Emmy Bowland, Eric Bowland and Marina Lee. She was also preceded in death by her parents and two brothers, Rex and John Finch.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at Laird Funeral Home, 201 N. Main St., Amboy, with Pastor James McDowell officiating. Burial will be at Park Lawn Cemetery, Amboy. Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made through the funeral home to: Amboy United Methodist Church or Wabash-Miami Home Health Care & Hospice.

Wednesday, July 2, 2008

Bryant Matthew Scott

Bryant Matthew SCOTT, 18, 205 S. McKee, Macy, died Sunday at Indiana 25 and Kosciusko County Road 1300 West near Mentone as a result of a traffic accident.
Survivors include his mother, Janice and Brad Norman, Macy; his father, Dewayne Scott, Kokomo; and a brother, Dewayne Hecht, Macy.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday and one hour prior to the service Tuesday.

Thursday, July 3, 2008

Robert M. Hettinger

Robert M. HETTINGER, 70, Logansport, died Tuesday at Miller's Merry Manor, Logansport.

Survivors include a daughter, Leeann Duez, Danville, Ill.; four brothers, Homer Hettinger, Star City, James Hettinger, Richard Hettinger and Thomas Hettinger, all of Logansport; and a sister, Mary Tutterow, Logansport.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Royal Center, with visitation from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

Bryant Matthew Scott


Bryant Matthew SCOTT, 18, of 205 S. McKee, Macy, died at 12:30 p.m. Sunday at Indiana 25 and Kosciusko County Road 1300 West near Mentone as a result of a traffic accident.

Born in Kokomo, he was the son of Janice Hecht and Dewayne Scott. Bryant lived most of his lifetime in the Tippecanoe area, moving with his family in October of 2007 to Macy. He attended Triton High School. His favorite activities were playing basketball, and riding dirt bikes and four-wheelers over the rough terrain at his buddy's track.

To relax Bryant fished at the walk bridge in "Deep Creek" on the Tippecanoe River. He enjoyed playing a variety of Playstation games. Snoop Dogg and Tupac were his favorite musicians. Bryant leaves his family and many friends to cherish his memory.
Survivors include his mother, Janice Norman and husband Brad Norman, Macy; his father, Dewayne Scott, Kokomo; a brother, Dewayne Hecht, Macy; his paternal grandparents, Charles and Rosie Scott, Kokomo; aunts and uncles, Kenny and Pat Hecht, Macy, Denise and Brian Pierce, Tampa, Fla., Angie Walker and Rob Knoff, Cape Coral, Fla.; cousins, Kayla Fry, Amber Fry, Stevie Meier, J.R. Hecht, Adam and Suzanne Wrightsman of Greentown; and his canine companion, Sammy, a Pekingese.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Larry and Judy Hecht, and an aunt, Jeannie Meier.

A celebration of the life of Bryant Matthew Scott will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St. (Indiana 14 West), Rochester. Pastor David Welsh will officiate. Burial will be at the Plainview Cemetery, Macy. Friends may visit with the family from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday and one hour prior to the service. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Friday, July 4, 2008

No Paper-Holiday

Saturday, July 5, 2008

William "Bill" Stokes

William "Bill" STOKES, 64, 1165 W. 9th Street, Rochester, died at 1 a.m. Friday at Memorial Hospital, South Bend. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th Street (Indiana 14 W.), Rochester.

Peter W. Sanders

Nov. 9, 1944-July 3, 2008

Peter W. SANDERS, 63, Noblesville, went to be with his Lord on Thursday. He was born Nov. 9, 1944 in Brawley, Calif. to Hugh
and Rachael Sanders who preceded him in death. He grew up in South Bend.

A graduate from Riley High School in 1963, he was also a contender as a wrestler in the Olympic trials at the 1964 World's Fair in New York City. He was a proud member of the U.S. Marine Corps from 1964 to 1968. Upon returning from the Marines, Pete attended Indiana University at South Bend where he was a member of Sigma Pi fraternity. He retired from UPS after 23 years of service. Pete was also a volunteer for the Noblesville High School girls cross-country team for 13 years. He loved his family, friends, church home, fishing, cards and the Chicago Cubs.

He is survived by his adoring wife, Keyna Sanders; son, Stephen Sanders of Orange County, Calif.; daughter Shanda Sanders of Noblesville; grandson Garrett Sanders; twin brother Stephen (Linda) Sanders, Rochester; nieces Kristin Walker and Mindy Sanders; great-nephews Stephen Sanders and Evan Rudd; mother-in-law Ellie "Griz" Jankowski; brother-in-law Ed (Debbie) Jankowski; nephews Howard Jankowski, Daryl Jankowski; and niece and god-daughter Rachel Jankowski.

A celebration of life service will be held at 4 p.m. Sunday at the Faith Community Church in Noblesville with Pastor Al Hazen officiating.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Faith Community Church, 19201 Promise Road, Noblesville, Ind. 46060 or Noblesville High School girls cross-country team.

Monday, July 7, 2008

Francis Davis

Francis DAVIS, 87 of 601 E. Rochester St., Akron, died at 2:25 p.m. Sunday at his residence.

Arrangements are pending at Earl-Love Funeral Home, Akron.
William Joseph Stokes
Dec. 7, 1943-July 4, 2008

William "Bill" Joseph STOKES, 64, of 1165 W. Ninth St., Rochester, died at 1 a.m. Friday at Memorial Hospital, South Bend, following a short illness.

He was born on Dec. 7, 1943, in Elwood to Joseph Arthur and Rosanne Evans Stokes. His father preceded him in death.

He lived in the Rochester community for 23 years.

With great pride, in 1962, Bill graduated from Wendell L. Wilkie High School in Elwood. He and his high school sweetheart, Karen Sue Smith, were married on Aug. 21, 1965, at First Baptist Church, Elwood. Their union of 42 years yielded three sons: Stephen, Richard and Christopher, and eight grandchildren.

Bill was a U.S. Air Force veteran. He was stationed at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base in Tucson, Ariz., for four years during the Vietnam War era. In December of 1970, he graduated from Ball State University with a bachelor's of science degree in accounting.

In 1985 his family moved from Marion to Rochester. He was staff accountant for 1st Source Bank in South Bend and Mishawaka.

Bill was a faithful member of First Baptist Church, Rochester. He served his church family as a deacon and as technical assistant for the summer boat church services. He was a member of the Koinonia Sunday School Class and sang tenor in the adult choir.

He took great pride in manicuring his lawn. A ham radio operator, he was known as K9ZHX.

Bill leaves his church family, friends and family to cherish his memory.

Survivors include his wife, Sue Stokes, at home; his mother, Rosanne Stokes, Elwood; three sons, Stephen Stokes and Lisa Rowe, Indianapolis, Christopher Stokes and fiancée Johanna Gautier, Rochester, and Richard Stokes and wife Tracy, Elwood; two sisters, Suellen Stokes, Anderson, and LeAnn Linsmyer and husband Greg, Elwood; eight grandchildren, Zachary, Owen, Jennifer, Shelby, Philip, Garrett, Angela and Brittany; and his feline companion, Bailey. He
was preceded in death by an infant daughter, Jennifer Sue Stokes, on April 19, 1981; and his daughter-in-law, Pamela Stokes, in 2006.

A celebration of the life of Mr. William "Bill" Stokes will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St. (Indiana 14 West), Rochester. Dr. Mark Spencer will officiate. Military rites by the LeRoy Shelton American Legion and Manitou Veterans of Foreign Wars will be at the funeral home immediately following his service. A graveside service will be at Elwood City Cemetery at 2:30 p.m. Friends may visit with the family from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday and an hour prior to the service. Preferred memorials in lieu of flowers may be made to the First Baptist Church window fund. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcold.com.

Francis L. 'Whitey' Thompson
Feb. 5, 1922-July 4, 2008

Francis L. "Whitey" THOMPSON, 86, of 802 E. Walnut St., Akron, died at 8:30 p.m. Friday at Life Care Center, Rochester. He was in failing health for three years.

Born in Fulton County, he was the son of Clarence and Marie Richter Thompson. He served in the Army Air Force during World War II.

On April 18, 1942, he married Kathryn "Kate" A. Fitzpatrick in Rochester. She passed away Dec. 12, 2004.

He was a farmer and janitor at the former Akron High School. He hauled livestock and worked at Franger Gas as a gas delivery man.

Whitey was a fan of the Green Bay Packers and the St. Louis Cardinals. He followed Indiana University basketball.

He always kept a beautiful yard.

Survivors include three sons, Denny and wife Phyllis Thompson, Akron, Robert Thompson, Wabash, and Ronnie Thompson, Akron; 11 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren. He was also preceded in death by his sister, D. Louise Eaton, and a granddaughter, Jessica Thompson.
His funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with visitation from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday. Burial will be at Akron Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Wee Care Day Care, Akron. Submit online condolences at www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

Tuesday, July 8, 2008

Francis C. Davis
Nov. 25, 1921-July 6, 2008

Francis C. DAVIS, 87, of 601 E. Rochester St., Akron, died at 2:25 p.m. Sunday at his residence. He was ill since December 2007.

Born in Akron, he was the son of Harvey and Faye (Kamp) Davis and an Akron High School graduate.

On Sept. 6, 1940, he married Ina Taylor. He lived all of his life in Akron except for the 24 years he served in the U.S. Army. He retired from the Army in 1962.

In 1953, he received his pilot's license.

He also worked 18 years at K G Brown in Mentone. A member of the Moose, Eagles and Masonic lodges in Rochester, he also belonged to the Manitou Veterans of Foreign Wars.

He is survived by his wife, Ina Davis, Akron; two sons, Francis R. "Butch" (Wanda) Davis, Akron, and William H. Davis, Jeffersonville; two brothers, Richard L. (Joan) Davis, Burket, and Marvin L. (Lenora) Davis, Warsaw; two sisters, Juanita C. Plunkett, Tell City, and Mildred C. Creager, North Manchester; eight grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild. He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother.

A private funeral service will be at 1 p.m. today at Earl-Love Funeral Home, 811 E. Rochester St., Akron, with the Rev. Allen Barton officiating; private visitation is from 11 a.m. until the service. Burial will be at Akron Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Olive Branch Church of God, 4581 E. 1200 North, Roann, IN 46974.
Charles F. Greer Jr.
March 25, 1934-July 6, 2008

Charles F. GREER Jr., 74, of 1535 E. Ninth St., Rochester, passed away at 7:10 p.m. Sunday at his residence.

He was born on March 25, 1934, in Kewanna, the son of Franklin Charles and Delia Lenora (Lambert) Greer Sr. On Sept. 27, 1952, in Knox, he married Patty S. Stingley and she survives.

Mr. Greer worked as a truck driver. He worked for General Electric in Fort Wayne, for more than 30 years and also worked for the Pennsylvania Railroad as a fireman. Mr. Greer was a member of the Mentone Flying Club, special deputy for Fulton County Sheriff's Department, Radio Emergency Associates Communication Teams, ham radio operator and a private pilot. He especially enjoyed piloting helicopters in Orlando, Fla., around all the amusement parks.

Survivors include his wife, Patty Greer, Rochester; son, Don Greer, Peru; daughter, Kathy and husband Mike Minns, Peru; 10 grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren, two stepgrandchildren, two stepgreat-grandchildren; sisters, Carol Sheetz, Rochester, Connie and husband Bruce Killingbeck, Remus, Mich.; and sister-in-law, Darla Greer, Kewanna. He was preceded in death by his parents and brother, Bob Greer.

Friends may call from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Memorial contributions may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County. Per Mr. Greer's request, his remains have been bequeathed to Indiana University School of Medicine. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

William E. Hileman Jr.
Sept. 16, 1945-July 6, 2008

William E. "Bill" HILEMAN Jr., 62, of 202 E. Davis St., Fulton, passed away at 8 p.m. Sunday at Indiana University Medical Center, Indianapolis.
He was born on Sept. 16, 1945, in Peru, the son of William E. and Joyce (Holler) Hileman Sr. On Jan. 8, 1965, in Berne, he married Sharon J. Calvin and she survives.

Mr. Hileman was a truck driver and retired from Jet Transport in Walton.

Survivors include his wife, Sharon J. Hileman, Fulton; son, Bill and wife Anna Hileman, Logansport; daughter, Sherry Hileman, Wabash; grandchildren, Leann Hileman and Garrett Hileman, Logansport; and sisters, Darlene and husband Vern Mettler, Fulton, Jane and husband Verlie Mettler, Logansport. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Thursday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Fulton, with the Rev. George Hapner officiating. Friends may call from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday and one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Burial will be in the Fulton Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

Nancy S. Keel

Nancy S. KEEL, 69, died Saturday in Wichita Falls, Texas. She was born in Rochester.

Survivors include her husband, Nicholas Keel, Iowa Park, Texas; a daughter, Natalie Henderson, Iowa Park; a son, Tom Keel, Denton; three brothers, Joe Bob Zimmerman, Tom Rose and Carl Rose, and a sister, Cathy Ginther, all of Indiana.

A memorial service will be at 1 p.m. Thursday at Owens & Brumley Funeral Home of Wichita Falls.

James C. Rouch

James C. ROUCH, 49, Royal Center, died at 5 p.m. Sunday at the home of his parents.

Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Royal Center.
Edison C. White  
Aug. 27, 1922-July 5, 2008  
Chaplain Edison C. WHITE, 85, of Plainfield, passed away Saturday, July 5, 2008.

He was born Aug. 27, 1922, to the late Andrew and Myrtie (Woodcox) White in Akron. He served in the U.S. Army in the 1st Cavalry Division during World War II. He was the chaplain at the Indiana Boys School in Plainfield for 26 years, retiring in 1987.

He attended Avon Community Church of God and was a member of the Plainfield Kiwanis Club, of which he was a charter member and served as past president, and the Plainfield Church Federation. He was a recipient of the Sagamore of the Wabash Award.

He is survived by a son, Dean E. (Tammy) White; a daughter, Diane R. White; a son-in-law, Ron Bowen; a brother, Charles (Kris) Pletcher; a granddaughter, Stephanie I. (Josh) Nelson; and a special family friend, Don Penrod. He was preceded in death by his wife, Mable I. (Mitschelen) White, and a daughter, Donna I. Bowen.

Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. today at Hampton-Gentry Funeral Home, Plainfield, where friends may call from 2 p.m. until service time. Additional services will be on Thursday, July 10, at the Olive Bethel Church of God in Akron at 11 a.m. with calling one hour prior to the service. Interment will be at Akron Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Gideon’s International. Online condolences may be sent to the White family at www.hamptongentry.com.

Wednesday, July 9, 2008

No Obituaries
Thursday, July 10, 2008

Robert L. Deardorff

Robert L. DEARDORFF, 81, Marion, formerly of Rochester, died at 11:10 p.m. Tuesday at the Veterans Administration Hospital, Marion.

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

Arlene Morris Todd

May 15, 1916-July 9, 2008

Arlene was born May 15, 1916, to Chester Morris and Mamie Fay Harman in Akron. She died of natural causes in Miller’s Merry Manor around 4 a.m. Wednesday at the age of 92.

Akron was her home for the first third of her life. Then she moved to Peru, where she lived and worked for the remainder of her life – nearly 60 years.

Before living in Peru, Arlene was a member of the Akron Church of God. She was an active member of First Church of God at Third and Water streets after that. Until last summer, she never missed a church camp meeting at Yellow Creek Lake outside of Akron.

The Peru Circus was special to her. She missed being in the circus parade, where she dressed up as a clown and rode her three-wheeled bike.

Hyder Todd became her husband on July 24, 1960. He deceased on March 26, 1987. There were no children.

Preceding her in death were her parents; her sisters and brother, Treva Morris Klein, Mildred Morris Klein and Don Morris.

Remaining are Larry and Kay Klein of Akron, who looked after her when Treva Klein passed away, and their children: Mel Klein of Fort Wayne, Kathy Klein Miles of Akron and Gary Klein. Other nieces and nephews still living are Jerry and Connie Klein of Roann, Ted and Nila Klein Kinney of Goshen, Don “Bub” and Donna Morris of Claypool, Richard and Sharodene Morris of Warsaw, Marcielle Morris Carter of Louisiana, David and Connie Morris La Rue of
Claypool. Several cousins and great-nieces and great-nephews also survive.

Her funeral will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, Peru. Friends may call from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. Burial will be at Akron Cemetery. The Revs. Larry Klein, Kay Klein and Francis Gough will officiate. Memorials may be made to the First Church of God, 252 E. Third St., Peru.

Friday, July 11, 2008

Robert L. Deardorff
May 10, 1927-July 8, 2008

Robert L. DEARDORFF, 81, Marion, formerly of Rochester, passed away at 11:10 p.m. Tuesday at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Marion.

He was born on May 10, 1927, in Athens, the son of Floyd and Nellie (Clayton) Deardorff. He graduated from Rochester High School and attended Purdue University. He was a U.S. Army veteran of the Korean War.

Survivors include his brother, George Deardorff, Seattle, Wash. He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, James Deardorff.

Memorial graveside services will be conducted at a later date at Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester. Arrangements are by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

Marie E. VanLue

Marie E. VanLUE, 63, Hornbeak, Tenn., and formerly of Rochester, died at 3:11 p.m. Wednesday at Jackson Madison County General Hospital, Jackson, Tenn.

Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.
Richard I. Zernack
Nov. 19, 1929-July 8, 2008

Richard I. "Dick" ZERNACK, 78, Wabash, went home to be with the Lord at 11:37 a.m. Tuesday from his home.

He was born Nov. 19, 1929, in Aurora, to Irvin and Sophia (Kammeyer) Zernack. Dick married Sharon L. Miller in Aurora on June 17, 1950.

He was a 1947 graduate of Aurora High School and worked for PSI/Duke Energy from 1949-1989. He retired after 40 years.

He was a member and former deacon of Calvary Chapel Worship Center, Wabash. Dick was a 50-year scout leader with Boy Scouts of America, a Meals on Wheels driver and volunteer with Habitat for Humanity and the Life Center.

He was a U.S. Army veteran and was stationed in Germany during the Korean War.

Dick was an outdoorsman who enjoyed reading, woodcarving, camping and working with youth. He lived in Rochester from 1954-1967.

He is survived by his wife, Sharon L. Zernack, Wabash; two sons, Tim Zernack, Lafayette and Jeff Zernack, Wabash; a daughter, Lori (Kevin) Binkerd, Andrews; and seven grandchildren, Allison (Aaron) O'Maley, Cincinnati, Ohio, Aaron Zernack, Lafayette, Jordan Binkerd, Joel Binkerd, Ethan Binkerd, Chloe Binkerd and Caitlyn Binkerd, all of Andrews. He was preceded in death by a brother.

His funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Calvary Chapel Worship Center, 619 N. Indiana 13, Wabash, with Pastor Don Cogar officiating. Burial will be in Falls Cemetery, Wabash. Friends may call from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. today at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 1241 Manchester Ave., Wabash, and from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Saturday at the church. Preferred memorials are Life Center or Calvary Chapel Worship Center. The memorial guest book for Richard may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com.
Saturday, July 12, 2008

**Charles DeKeyser**

Charles DeKEYSER, 91, died at 8 a.m. Tuesday in Perry, Ga. He lived in Rochester for 35 years.

Survivors include a daughter, Donna Kruso, Perry, Ga.; a son, Jerry DeKeyser, Rochester; a brother, Leon DeKeyser; and two sisters, Loura Moldt and Clara Walgrave.

There will be no funeral services.

**Marie E. VanLue**

April 30, 1945-July 9, 2008

Marie E. VanLUE, 63, Hornbeak, Tenn., and formerly of Rochester, passed away at 3:11 p.m. Wednesday at Jackson Madison County General Hospital in Jackson, Tenn.

She was born on April 30, 1945, in Mount Pleasant, Wash., the daughter of Tony and Regina (Wessell) Reiss. On May 25, 1972, in Warsaw, she married Larry N. VanLue and he survives.

Mrs. VanLue worked as a QMA for Hickory Creek and retired from Life Care Center of Rochester. She was an avid NASCAR, World Federation Wrestling, "Days of Our Lives," and country music fan. She enjoyed spending time with her family and grandchildren, her dogs and cats, fixing items, collecting dolls, and having coffee with friends.

Survivors include her husband, Larry N. VanLue, Hornbeak, Tenn.; sons, Lawrence A. VanLue, South Carolina, Duane and wife Cathy VanLue, Kewanna, Eric D. and wife Susan VanLue, Macy; daughters, Lisa and husband Jeff Johnson, Hornbeak, Tenn., Heather Reneae Floyd, Hornbeak, Tenn., April and husband Andre Downton, Fort Wayne, Marie Catherine and husband Shannon Colenburg, Lafayette; 17 grandchildren, one great-grandchild; brothers, Gene and wife Cathy Reiss, Pana, Ill., Edward and Carol Reiss, Decatur, Ill.; sister, Eleanor and husband Jim Sweet, Smithfield, Pa.; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, and sisters, Patricia Reiss and Rosie Maxwell.
Graveside services will be conducted at 2 p.m. today at Mount Zion Cemetery, southeast of Rochester, with the Rev. George Hapner officiating. Friends may call one hour prior to the service at the cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Victory Junction Gang Camp. Arrangements are by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

Monday, July 14 2008

**John S. Reisman**  

John S. REISMAN, 42, 6799 Bridge Street, Monterey, died at 9:15 a.m. Friday at his residence.

He was born Feb. 2, 1966, in South Bend to Earl Charles and Barbara E. Stamm Reisman.

John had a big heart. He was a member of the Eagles Lodge and Moose Lodge and liked to play pool and hunt. He lived in the Monterey area most of his life.

Survivors include his parents, Earl Charles and Barbara E. Stamm Reisman, Monterey; sisters, Debbie (William) Fred, Rochester, and Kathy (Ken) Black, Buford, Ga.; a brother, Steve (Mary) Reisman, Mercer, Wis.; an uncle, John Stamm, Palm Springs, Calif.; a nephew, Scott (Lisa) Fred, Rochester; a niece, Tara (Danny) Taylor, Kokomo; and a great-niece Megan Fred, Rochester.

A memorial service will be held at 3 p.m. today at Frain Mortuary, 305 East Main Street, Winamac, with Pastor Denny Wilson officiating. Visitation is after 2 p.m. today at Frain Mortuary. Arrangements are by Frain Mortuary. Messages of sympathy may be sent to the family at www.frainmortuary.com.
Tuesday, July 15, 2008

**Alice C. Myers**

Alice C. Myers, 99, of Culver, died Saturday at Miller's Merry Manor, Culver.

She grew up in Kewanna.

Survivors include her children, JoAnn Walsh of Culver and Robert Myers of Elkhart.

Services will be at 11 a.m. today at St. Mary's of the Lake Catholic Church in Culver, with visitation one hour before the service. Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, is handling arrangements.

Wednesday, July 16, 2008

**Robert L. Deardorff**

Graveside memorial services for Robert L. Deardorff, 81, Marion, formerly of Rochester, who died July 8 in Marion, will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester. Arrangements are by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

Thursday, July 17, 2008

No Obituaries

Friday, July 18, 2008

**Shirley J. Adams**

Shirley J. Adams, 67, of 115 W. Center St., Burket, died Wednesday at home.

Survivors include her husband, Merl Adams, Burket; a daughter Mary "Jo" Shepherd, Columbia City; two sons, Everett Ray Justice, Mentone, and Charlie Justice, West Virginia; three sisters, Renda Sue Adkins, Warsaw, Joyce Newsome, Columbus, Ohio, and Donna Wadkins, Silver Lake; and three brothers, Lanny Gillman, Akron, Billy Lee Gillman, Mentone, and Everett Gillman Jr., Etna Green.
Services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron, with visitation from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. King Memorial Home, Mentone, is handling arrangements.

**Peggy M. Davies**

Peggy M. DAVIES, 78, of 1516 Arrowhead Drive, Rochester, died Wednesday at home.

Survivors include her husband, Ed L. Davies, Rochester; a son, Rick Davies, Moline, Ill.; daughters, Cindy Davies, Nashville, Tenn., Debi Davies, Portland, Ore.; and a brother, Joe Skogland, Bedford.

Services will be private. Arrangements are by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Clara M. Felke**

Aug. 17, 1911-July 16, 2008

Clara M. FELKE, 96, loving wife and mother, passed away at 10:37 p.m. Wednesday at Hickory Creek of Rochester.

She was born on Aug. 17, 1911, in South Bend, to John and Mary (Pendl) Wozniak. She grew up on a mint farm near Lake of the Woods, Indiana. She married Paul Felke on June 1, 1940 in Plymouth. Clara lost the love of her life when Paul passed away in September of 2000 after 60 years of marriage.

They have three children who survive. Their son, Jim, is a teacher at North Miami, while his wife, Katie, teaches and coaches at Rochester High School. Paulette Felke Couse is retired from the Warsaw School District and her husband, Rick, is retired from RR Donnelley and works at Brouwer's Furniture Store in Warsaw. Patricia Felke is retired from the Cassopolis School District, Cassopolis, Mich. Clara and Paul are also survived by seven grandchildren, Chris (Erin) Felke, Michele (Lance) Nelson, Nick and Natalie Couse, Kyle (Alisa) Felke, Courtney and Carey Felke, and five great-grandchildren, Parker, Chas, Macie, Isabelle and Tristan. Clara was also preceded in death by her parents and an adopted brother, Stanley.

Clara and Paul moved to Rochester in 1946 upon purchasing the Rochester Greenhouse in partnership with Paul's brother and
Clara enjoyed working in the greenhouse and became acquainted with many Rochester residents as a result. According to her husband, "Clara never knew a stranger." She also enjoyed baking and provided birthday cakes without fail for family, friends and employees. Clara played the piano "by ear" and loved to dance. She also enjoyed going to Las Vegas, where the quarter slots got most of her attention. Above all, Clara was loving, generous and willing to sacrifice anything for her family.

Clara and her husband were members of the Moose Lodge and she also belonged to the Rekamemoh Club, St. Joseph Catholic Church and Rosary Society, and the Canasta Club. She lived her last two years at Hickory Creek, where she received excellent care from her "new family." During her stay at Hickory Creek, Clara demonstrated a keen sense of humor which was quite entertaining. She will be sorely missed by family and friends.

Mass of Christian burial will be conducted at 10 a.m. Monday at St. Michael's Catholic Church, Plymouth. Friends may call from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Burial will be in Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth. Memorial contributions may be made to Hickory Creek of Rochester. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

Lois E. Paxton Perry
Feb. 6, 1924-July 17, 2008

Lois E. Paxton PERRY, 84, of Miller's Merry Manor, Warsaw, formerly of rural Mentone, died at 12:20 a.m. Thursday at Miller's Merry Manor.

A lifetime area resident, she lived on a farm north of Mentone and also had lived in Bremen. She was born in Marshall County to Victor and Alice Whiteman Shumaker and graduated from Bremen High School in 1943. She was married to Hobart Paxton. He passed away on Feb. 9, 1975.
A homemaker, she was a member of Mentone War Mothers, the Scrambled Egg Band, the Genealogy Society, Harrison Center Church and the Kosciusko County Historical Society. She loved gardening and genealogy and enjoyed traveling. Over the years, she traveled to Mexico, Germany, Florida and Texas.

Survivors include two daughters, Betty Dotson, Warsaw, and Kathleen and husband Keith Satchwill, Wabash; a son, Edward Paxton and significant other Donna, Warsaw; four grandchildren, Tim Knight, Andrew Knight, Brett Harmon and Cheryl Reynolds; four great-grandchildren, Joshua Ritter, Alan Reynolds, Kayla Knight and Daniel Knight; a brother, Calvin and wife Charlotte Shumaker, Bremen; and three sisters, Vonna Miller, Union, Mich., LaVera and husband Don Ames, Plymouth, and Diana Hundt, Mishawaka. She was preceded in death by a sister and four brothers.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at Harrison Center Church, 965 S. 800 West, Etna Green, with the Rev. Robert Jarboe officiating. Burial will be at Mentone Cemetery. Visitation will be from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday at the church. Memorials may be made to Kosciusko County Home Care & Hospice or the Gideons. Arrangements are entrusted to King Memorial Home, Mentone. Online condolences: www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

Saturday, July 19, 2008

Virginia Lee Michels

Virginia Lee MICHELS, 63, Winamac, died at 9:37 p.m. Thursday at Pulaski Memorial Hospital, Winamac.

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

Monday, July 21, 2008

Evelyn L. Hinton

Evelyn L. HINTON, 73, formerly of Argos, died at 3:35 p.m. Saturday at Miller’s Merry Manor, 635 Oakhill Ave., Plymouth.
Arrangements are pending at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

Tuesday, July 22, 2008

Evelyn L. Hinton
Evelyn L. HINTON, 73, formerly of Argos, died Saturday at Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth.
Survivors include a son, Charles M. Hinton, Argos, and a brother, Larry Lee Quimby, Argos.
Services will be at 1 p.m. Thursday at the church of Jesus Christ, Argos, with visitation from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos, and one hour prior to the service at the church.

Robert W. Kirk
March 24, 1942 – July 20, 2008
Robert W. KIRK, 66, 2730 E. 600 North, Monterey, died at 9:40 a.m. Sunday at Hospice Home, Fort Wayne.
Born in Louisville, Ky., he was the son of William Curtis Kirk and Elsie Aline Steff Kirk.
Robert was a member of Bible Baptist Church, Knox, and worked as a machinist at Winamac Coil Spring, Kewanna.
He enjoyed playing guitar, singing, fishing and gardening. He also loved spending time with his family, and joking and kidding with friends and family.
Robert will be greatly missed by his family and friends.
Survivors include his children, Katherine (Arthur) Navarrete, Midland, Texas, Glenda F. Kirk, Owensboro, Ky., Thomas William Chumley, Monterey, Sharon Renee (Kevin) Schlemmer, Owensboro, Ky., James Theodore (Pamela) Chumley, Winamac, Synthia Marie (Gary) Clinger, Rochester, Candy Lyn (Gary) Weaver, Monterey, Bobbie Kaye (Tony) Edmondson, Rochester; brothers and sisters,
Charles Kirk, Hobart, Brenda (Bob) Conley, Morocco, David “Butch” Wayne (Sharon) Kirk, Murray, Ky., and Sheila (Kenny) Richardson, Hawesville, Ky.; 27 grandchildren and 33 great-grandchildren. He was also preceded in death by his parents; a brother, David Lee Kirk; two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Frain Mortuary, Winamac, with Pastor James Adcock officiating. Burial will be at Riverbank Cemetery, Winamac. Visitation will be from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the mortuary. Memorials may be made to Hospice Home, Fort Wayne, or Bible Baptist Church Building Fund. Messages of sympathy may be sent to the family at www.franmortuary.com.

John R. Klapp
John R. KLAPP, 81, formerly of Rochester, died at 12:45 p.m. Monday at Warsaw Meadows Care Center, 300 E. Prairie St., Warsaw.

Arrangements are pending at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

Virginia Lee Michels
Nov. 29, 1944 – July 17, 2008

A celebration of life in loving memory of our mother, Virginia Lee MICHELS, 63, of Kewanna, will be held Saturday from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. at her daughter’s home at 8877 W. 850 South, Kewanna.

She passed away at 9:37 p.m. Thursday at Pulaski Memorial Hospital.

Born Nov. 29, 1944, in Illinois, she was the daughter of the late Francis and Margaret (Cleland) Michels.

Virginia was a homemaker who loved to read and crochet, and also enjoyed books on tape and movies.

Survivors include three daughters, Gustave F. Salyer (Todd Kuhn) of Monterey, Lela Ellinger (Gregory) of Kewanna, and Thelmarae Wieringa (Paul Kelley) of Park Forest, Ill.; one son, Charles F. Stirk (Judy) of Lake Village; one brother, Michael Michels;
one brother-in-law, Kurt Garicz; 17 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by sisters, Margaret Garicz and Geraldine Lilley; sister-in-law, Sharon Michels; and a granddaughter, Aubree Jean Townsend.

Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel, is handling the arrangements. Online condolences may be made to the family at www.harrisonmetzger.com and/or a candle may be lit in memory at http://virginia-michels.memory-of.com/About.aspx?c=1.

**Rev. Bill M. Riggs**

Nov. 18, 1931 – July 20, 2008

Rev. Bill M. RIGGS, 76, Elkhart, died Sunday at Regency Nursing Care Center in Springfield, Ill.

He was born Nov. 18, 1931, in Mercer County, Missouri, the son of Howard and Verna Riggs.

Rev. Riggs graduated from Galt High School in Galt, Mo. He received his bachelor’s of divinity degree from Phillips University in Enid, Okla., and his master’s of divinity from St. Paul School of Theology in Kansas City, Mo.

Rev. Riggs served the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Bucklin, Mo., Louisiana, Mo., Independence, Mo., and Cameron, Mo., Quincy, Ill., and Indianapolis. He served as the district minister in Trenton, Mo. He served as interim minister in Marion, Carmel, Elkhart, Rochester, Monticello, Fort Wayne and South Bend. He was a member of Central Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Elkhart. He was actively involved in United Way, interfaith organizations, and served as a church youth camp director and counselor. He worked for social justice and to improve race relations in communities and among congregations.

He is survived by his wife, Jean Riggs of Springfield, Ill.; daughters, Robin (husband David) Bethard of Springfield and Lori Brown of Springfield; five grandchildren, Ryan (wife Lisa) Bethard, Tera (husband Nick) Stronczek of Fort Campbell, Tenn.; Andrew

Visitation will be from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday at Staab Polk Memorial Home, 201 S. Main, Chatham, IL 62629.

A celebration of life will be at 7 p.m. Thursday at Central Christian Church, Elkhart, with Dr. Mike Wills officiating. A funeral will be held on Saturday at 1 p.m. at Staab Polk Memorial Home with Dr. Edward Sawyer and Rev. Bruce Naylor officiating. Visitation will be held one hour prior to funeral services. Cremation rites will be accorded by Cremation Services of Central Illinois, Chatham. Burial will be held at Berry Cemetery in Missouri at a later date. Memorial contributions can be made to The Rev. Bill Riggs Memorial Fund. Funds will be distributed to charitable organizations and entities of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

Charles Thomas Roush

Charles Thomas “Tom” ROUSH, 59, formerly of 325 W. Walnut St., Argos, died Sunday at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, South Bend.

Survivors include a sister, Carol Thomson, Granger, and two brothers, Joseph A. Roush, Culver, and Jerry Roush, Noblesville.

Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the IOOF Cemetery in Hartford City. Visitation will be from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. today at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

Wednesday, July 23, 2008

Marvis Ann Morgan

Marvis Ann MORGAN, 63, of 20886 Nutmeg Road, Argos, died at 2:40 a.m. Tuesday at her daughter’s Granger residence.

Arrangements are pending at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.
Thursday, July 24, 2008

Andy R. Louk

Andy R. LOUK, 42, of Culver, passed away unexpectedly Tuesday evening.

Andy was born on Dec. 28, 1964, in South Bend, to Helen (Coldwater) and Russell J. Louk. The family relocated to Culver in 1972. He was a graduate of Culver Community Jr./Sr. High School in 1983. Later, he received his accounting degree from Ivy Tech in South Bend. He was married to Donna Lee Smith on Oct. 8, 1988. They later divorced.

He was a member of Santa Anna United Methodist Church, Argos, where he served as superintendent.

Andy was preceded in death by his father, Russell H. Louk in December of 2000. He is survived by his mother, two brothers, Robert Louk of Ober and Scott Louk of Rochester; and his fiancée, Julie Spano.

Andy was an avid Pittsburg Steelers fan. He loved to drive and show off his 1979 Chrysler Cordoba which he had restored. He enjoyed fishing, playing euchre and cribbage with his family and friends, and loved his “kitty bear.” Even in death Andy gave to others by being an organ donor, helping 75 other people.

A time of sharing memories with the family will be from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday at the Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver. Rev. Henry Sprunger will officiate services at 1 p.m. Interment will follow at the Culver Masonic Cemetery. Memorial contributions in memory of Andy R. Louk may be made to the Santa Anna United Methodist Church, Argos. Condolences may be sent to the family via the obituary page at www.boineodom.com.
Marvis Ann Morgan

Marvis Ann MORGAN, 63, of 18470 Maple Road, Argos, died at 2:40 a.m. Tuesday at her daughter’s residence in LaGrange. She was ill for two years.

Born in Rochester, she was the daughter of Berne O. and Mildred A. (Mathias) Jones. She graduated from North Miami High School in 1963 and graduated with honors from Ivy Tech in 2003. She lived in the Argos community for 40 years.


She was a seamstress at Hart Schaffner & Marx, Rochester, for more than 22 years and Braun Seating in Leiters Ford.

She was a member of Jordon Baptist Church, the Swinging Dudes square dance club of Rochester and Order of the Eastern Star No. 124, Rochester. She was a Master Gardener and loved her family, knitting, cross-stitching, crocheting, and camping.

Survivors include her husband, Jim Morgan, Argos; a daughter, Mrs. Dawn Byler and husband Dan, LaGrange; sons, Dave Crum and wife Julie, Plymouth, and Duane Crum and wife Laura, Holmdel, N.J.; stepdaughters, Hope Herring and husband Virgil, Grovertown, Kelly Antoine and husband Paul, Bryan, Ohio, Gretchen Worley and husband John, LaPorte, and Bridgett Koz, Argos; a stepson, Mark Morgan, Plymouth; 28 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren; her mother, Mildred Jones, Plymouth; and brothers Berne Jones and wife Holly, Kooskia, Idaho, Glen Jones and wife Chris, Rochester, Dale Jones and wife Sherry, Oxford, and Carl “Pete” Jones and wife Ladeana, Peru. She was preceded in death by her father and an infant daughter, Deanna Sue Crum.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday at Jordon Baptist Church, 11447 19th Road, Argos. Burial will be at Jordon Baptist Cemetery, Argos. Visitation will be from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. today at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, 601 W. Edison, Mishawaka, IN 46545, or Jordon Baptist Church. Electronic
condolences may be sent to the family at memorial@earlgrossmanfuneral.com.

Friday, July 25, 2008

**John P. Lamb**

John P. LAMB, 63, Logansport, died Wednesday at Caring Hands Healthcare Center, Peru. He attended Aubbeenaubbee School, Leiters Ford.

Survivors include his wife, DeAnna S. Lamb, Logansport; a son, Dana Brown, Barnersville, Ga.; a daughter, Kristeen Weed, Zionsville; and a sister Pauline Beery, Rochester.

A memorial service will be at 8 p.m. today at First Assembly of God, Logansport.

**James E. Sanders**


MISHAWAKA – James E. SANDERS died July 22, 2008, in Elkhart General Hospital. He was born in Jasper County on Jan. 28, 1930, to Arlie and Jesse (Spriggs) Sanders, who preceded him in death. He was a patient of Riverside Village Nursing Home for two months.

Jim married Nina Guise on Nov. 15, 1953. She survives, along with four children: Michael A. (Julie Lindstrom) Sanders, Jerry (Teresa) Sanders, both of Osceola, Jane A. Sanders of Mishawaka and Lisa (Dan) Dallich of Osceola. A beautiful daughter, Susan, preceded Jim in death in March 1989. Also surviving are nine grandchildren, Melissa Sanders, Ryan Sanders, Robert (Sanders) Coop, Michael James Sanders, Jayme Sanders, Katie Sanders, Adam Dallich, Lucy Dallich and Celia Dallich; two stepgrandchildren, Tracy Gennicks and Richard Stout; and 10 great-grandchildren. Jim is also survived by his last sister, Catherine Hochstetler of Nappanee, and a brother-in-law, Herman D. Strakis of Indianapolis.
Jim was preceded in death by six brothers, Jack, Randolph, Damon, Gilbert, Simon and Buck, and also by two sisters, Ada Hill and Nadine Strakis.

“Big Jim’s” family will remember his love for the Cubs and Notre Dame, and also golf, bowling, and fishing, along with devotion to his family. Jim graduated from Leiters Ford High School in 1950, then proudly served in the Korean War from 1951 to 1953. He was a member of VFW Post 360. He worked for Dodge Mfg. Co. for 30 years and P-H-M School Corporation for 11 years. He was one of the original members of Club 15. Jim was active with his children in scouting and Willow Creek UM Church. Missing him is an understatement, but he is with Our Lord and free of pain.

Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. today at Hahn Funeral Home, 505 W. 8th Street, Mishawaka. A celebration service will be at Willow Creek United Methodist Church on Saturday at 11 a.m. with visitation one hour prior in the church. Burial will follow in St. Joseph Valley Memorial Park, Granger, with military graveside services by VFW Post 360 and American Legion Burial Team.

For those interested, the family has requested, in lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Willow Creek United Methodist Church, 14010 E. Jefferson, Mishawaka, IN 46545 or a favorite charity in Jim’s name. To leave the family an online condolence or to share memories with the family, please visit our Web site at www.hahnfuneralhomes.com.

**John Richard Klapp**


John Richard “Dick” KLAPP, 81, formerly of Rochester, died at 12:45 p.m. Monday at Warsaw Meadows Care Center, 300 E. Prairie St., Warsaw, following an extended illness.

Born in South Bend, he was the son of Virgil and Doris Klapp. He lived in St. Petersburg, Fla., and then in Rochester from 1985 to 2005.

A U.S. Navy veteran, he was a former member of the American Legion, Rochester. He owned Dick’s Boat House in Koontz Lake.
Survivors include a daughter, Janice (Rich) Helmuth, St. Petersburg, Fla.; a son, John Klapp Jr., St. Petersburg, Fla.; two stepdaughters, Judy Farver (Harold), Plymouth, Tina Phipps (Steve) Warsaw; a stepson, Rex (Linda) McCraner, Kendallville; a close friend, Catherine Craft, Warsaw; a brother, Bob Klapp, Mobile, Ala.; and a brother-in-law, Rev. Paul Cecrele, Rochester. He was preceded in death by his parents; two sisters; two nephews, Michael Cecrele and Stephen Cecrele; a niece, Rebecca Cecrele; and a great-niece, Rachael Scott, the first shooting victim of the Columbine High School shootings.

Burial will be at a later date. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society. Electronic condolences may be sent to the family at memorials@earl-grossmanfuneral.com.

Saturday, July 26, 2008

Douglas L. Bailey
Douglas L. BAILEY, 61, of 10273 Ashwood Forest Drive, South Bend, died at 5:45 p.m. Thursday at home
Arrangements are pending at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

Larry Cave
Larry CAVE, 60, of 1022 Franklin St., Rochester, died at 6:28 a.m. Friday at Memorial Hospital, South Bend. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Rebecca Fisher
May 18, 1945 – July 25, 2008
Rebecca “Becky” FISHER, 63, of rural North Manchester, died at 6:24 a.m. Friday at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne. She was born May 18, 1945, in Wabash, to Bernard and Josephine (Harvey) Bowlby.
Becky was a 1963 graduate of Wabash High School. She married Max Fisher in Wabash on March 21, 1987. Becky was the
bookkeeper for Car Recyclers in North Manchester for 20 years, retiring in 2007. She was a member of Faith Outreach Center in Rochester, an outstanding interior decorator, enjoyed taking care of the house, and was a huge animal lover.

She is survived by husband, Max Fisher of North Manchester; two daughters, Gretchen (Chad) Obanion of Marion, Denitza Josephine Fisher of North Manchester; stepson, Craig (Tammy) Fisher of Akron; stepdaughter, Melissa (Don) Scott of Mentone; eight grandchildren, Mallory Hedington, Daryl Wright, and Kayla Scott, all of Mentone, Tyler Fisher, Bryce Fisher, Treston Fisher, all of Akron, Zachary Obanion, Matthew Obanion, both of Marion; a sister, Sylvia Bowlby of Wabash; and her mother- and father-in-law, Ross and Velma Fisher of North Manchester.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Monday at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 1241 Manchester Ave., Wabash with Pastor Dan Mundt officiating. Burial will be in Memorial Lawns Cemetery, Wabash. Friends may call from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home. Preferred memorial is Wabash County Animal Shelter. The memorial guest book for Rebecca may be signed at www.gransdtaff-hentgen.com.

Virginia Irene Reed

Virginia Irene REED, 88, Twelve Mile, died Friday afternoon at Memorial Hospital, Logansport. Arrangements are pending at McClain Funeral Home, Denver.

Monday, July 28, 2008

Douglas L. Bailey

April 19, 1947 – July 24, 2008

Douglas Lynn BAILEY, 61, of 10273 Ashwood Forrest Dr., Osceola, died July 24 at his residence.

Survivors include one brother, Fred Bailey of California. Services will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home in Argos. Visitation is from 4-8 p.m. today.
Larry R. Cave Sr.

Larry Robert CAVE Sr. 60, of 1022 Franklin St., Rochester, died at 6:28 a.m. Friday at Memorial Hospital, South Bend. He was born October 13, 1947 in Rochester to Francis R. and Elsie H. (Seabolt) Cave, who preceded him in death. On November 30, 1968 in Rochester he married Jaynine Louise Worth, she survives. Larry was an outdoorsman, he enjoyed fishing at Van Duyne's Gravel Pit for blue gill and catfish. He took great pride in his yard, keeping it well manicured. During his last months music gave him comfort, allowing him peace and relaxation. His three favorite songs were "It is in Everyone of Us, I Will Never Leave You and Let Us See the Light."

Larry was a dedicated employee of Camcar-Torx now known as Acument Global Technologies until his retirement in 2006. He enjoyed the friendship of his colleagues. Larry will be remembered for his helpful nature always being there for others, putting their needs before his. He loved and valued his friends and co-workers, adored his loving wife and cherished his son Larry Jr. and the time they spent together.

He is survived by his wife Jaynine, at home; a son, Larry Robert (Tracy Lynne) Cave Jr., Rochester; two grandsons, Nicholas Cave and Brandon Icenberg, both of Rochester. One granddaughter, Sheena Icenberg, Rochester; three sisters, Carol (Michael) Guy, Jefferson, Ark.; Helen (Terry) Biltz, Rochester; Bonnie Andereason, Rochester; three brothers, Frances E. (Mary) Cave, Sunnyfield, Fla.; Terry L. (Patsy) Cave and Dennis Cave, both of Rochester. Larry is preceded in death by his parents and in-laws Georgann and Gordy Griffor.

Private family services will be conducted commemorating the life of Larry Cave Sr. Following a gathering and services he will be laid to rest at the Athens Cemetery, Athens, IN. Arrangements are by the Good Family Funeral Home. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.
John Richard 'Dick' Klapp

Graveside services for John Richard "Dick" KLAPP, 81 formerly of Rochester, who died July 21 will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday at New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

He is survived by a daughter, Janice Helmuth, St. Petersburg, Fla.; a son John Klapp, Jr. of St. Petersburg, Fla., two stepdaughters, Judy Farver, Plymouth; Tina Phipps, Warsaw; a stepson, Rex McCraner, Kendallville; and a brother, Bob Klapp, Mobile, Alabama. Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos is handling arrangements.

Marjorie M. Manning

Marjorie M. MANNING, 89, Galveston, died Sunday at 2:55 a.m. at North Woods Village Health Care, Galveston. She was born July 7, 1919 in Cass County, Indiana to Delbert E. and Janet (Davis) Smith. On September 27, 1938 in southern Indiana she married Harry Manning Jr., who preceded her in death. She was a homemaker and beautician and enjoyed playing cards and bingo in Florida in the winter. She also enjoyed fishing and bowling. She belonged to the Rebecca Lodge, Young America Congregational Christian Church and Young America Bunko Club.

Survivors include four daughters, Beverly Hollarman, Rochester; Sharon "Sis" (Art) Leicht, Gilbert, S.C.; Joan (Larry) Robertson, Walton; Janet (Charles) Stroud, Galveston; two sons, Ed (Bonnie) Manning, and Terry L. Manning, all of Galveston; 18 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; 4 great great grandchildren; a brother Wayne (Margaret) Smith, Galveston and two nieces and one nephew.

She is preceded in death by her parents, husband, two brothers, two sisters and one great grandchild.

Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday at Murray Weaver Funeral Home, 401 S. California St., Galveston. Services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Murray Weaver Funeral Home Galveston Chapel with the Rev. Warren K. Purcell officiating. Burial will be in the Center Cemetery, Young America. Memorials may be made to the
Virginia I. Reed

Virginia Irene REED, 88, of Twelve Mile passed away at 1:12 p.m. Friday at Logansport Memorial Hospital. Born April 26, 1920 in Fulton County, she was the daughter of Omer and Hazel Rockey Zartman. On Oct. 3, 1942 she was married to Leonard D. Reed, and he preceded her in death on April 2, 1982.

She was a member of Bethlehem United Methodist Church where she was active in the United Methodist Women's Group, and over the years, she made many noodles and angel food cakes for the church's chicken noodle dinner.

Survivors include a brother, Tom (Carolyn) Zartman, Rochester; and a sister, Velma Sue (Jim) Rigney, Rochester, and several nieces and nephews. One brother, Von Zartman, preceded her in death.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Tuesday at Bethlehem United Methodist Church with Pastor Teri White officiating. Burial will follow in the Fulton Cemetery, Fulton.

Friends are invited to call from 4-8 p.m. today at McClain Funeral Home, Denver. Memorial contributions may be made to Bethlehem United Methodist Church.

Tuesday, July 29, 2008

Douglas Lynn Bailey

Services for Douglas Lynn BAILEY, 61, Osceola, will be at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos, at 1 p.m. today.

Bailey was born in Tippecanoe.
Survivors include his brother, Fred Bailey, of California.
Visitation was Monday.
Gerald L. Bucher
Nov. 21, 1921-July 26, 2008

Gerald L. BUCHER, 86, a former resident of rural Churubusco in Allen County and a native of Silver Lake, died at 10:01 p.m. on Saturday at Heritage Park in Fort Wayne. Although he had been in declining health for some time, he had only been seriously ill for the past two weeks.

Mr. Bucher was born on Nov. 21, 1921, at Silver Lake, a son of Harmon O. and Ethel F. (Landis) Bucher, and graduated from Burket High School. As a young man he served in the U. S. Army during World War II, and was married to Georgianna Tibbitts. The couple spent the early years of their marriage in the Akron area, where he was engaged in farming, and was also a truck driver for the Sunoco Oil Company.

In 1963, the couple moved to Allen County, and lived in rural Churubusco until moving into Fort Wayne in 2004. He had been employed as a truck driver for the Gladieux Oil Refinery in Fort Wayne, and retired from Essex in Fort Wayne after 18 years.

He was a member of the Ari Church of God, east of Churubusco, and the Silver Creek Church of God near Silver Lake. He was also a member of the Teamster's Union, and was past commander of the Huntertown Veterans of Foreign Wars. In his leisure time, he enjoyed fishing, gardening, church activities, and most especially loved and enjoyed his family.

His first wife preceded him in death in 1968. On Nov. 8, 1969, he was married to Mary M. (Wilson) Silverest. She survives in Fort Wayne.

Also surviving are his three sons, Roger (Lynn) Bucher of Fort Wayne, Gary (Sue) Bucher of Auburn, and Dennis (Kim) Bucher of Churubusco; seven stepchildren, Marsha (Jerry) Austermann of Lake Orion, Mich., Carolyn Jo Silverest of Fort Wayne, Charles (Stella) Silverest of Forsyth, Mo., Richard C. (Shelby) Silverest of Coats, N.C., Thomas C. (Joyce) Silverest of Fort Wayne, Jack L. (Deborah) Silverest of Troy, Ill., and Curtis R. Silverest of Auburn; a sister,
Donna Belle (Richard) French of Akron; 37 grandchildren and 53 great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents and first wife, he was preceded in death by three brothers, Edward Bucher, Robert Bucher and Earl Bucher; a sister, Mildred Clinker; and three stepdaughters, Ina May Silverest, Geraldine M. Lyons and Gloria Galante.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday at the Silver Creek Church of God near Silver Lake, with Pastors Carroll McNutt and Thomas Craig officiating.

The family will receive friends at the Sheets & Childs Funeral Home in Churubusco on Wednesday from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., or at the church one hour prior to the service. Interment with military graveside rites will be in the church cemetery. The family requests that memorials be directed to the Ari Church of God or Huntsertown Veterans of Foreign Wars. To leave a condolence for the family in Mr. Bucher's memory, please log on to www.sheetsandchilds.net.

Wednesday, July 30, 2008

Carole M. Hamman

Carole M. HAMMAN, 73, Kewanna died at 1:48 a.m. Tuesday at Hickory Creek Healthcare Center in Winamac.

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

L. Berniece Piper

Dec. 9, 1905-July 28, 2008

At the age of 102, L. Berniece PIPER died peacefully with family by her side at 5:40 p.m. on Monday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

For the past six months, Berniece and her daughter, Mary Helen, have been residing at Wynnfield Crossing, Rochester.

Born Dec. 9, 1905, in Economy, Berniece was the daughter of L. and Mabel Christopher Burnett. On New Year's Eve, 1921,
Berniece and Frank Reeves Piper were married in Richmond. He preceded her in death on May 1, 1981. In 1924, they moved to Peru and raised their children, Mary Helen and Bud.

Berniece was a member of the Main Street United Methodist Church and Order of Eastern Star, where she served as Worthy Matron. From 1975 through 2005, Berniece wintered in Vero Beach, Fla., and attended Christ by the Sea United Methodist Church.

While she worked at the courthouse county clerk's office and treasurer's office as well as Indiana Department of Licensing after her family was raised, at heart she was a homemaker, wife, mother and grandmother. She was an inspired cook and wholeheartedly enjoyed the song of a bird, a beautiful sunset and a moonlit night.

Survivors include daughter, Mary Helen (Piper) Wells, Rochester, and grandchildren, Christine Wells of Rochester, Sandra Koerner and husband Wm. Patrick of Jeffersonville, Mary Melinda Piper Perry of Sherrill, N.Y., David Reeves Piper of Mt. Vernon, Wash., and Lisa J. Piper of Macungie, N.Y. Surviving great-grandchildren are Cali Marie Koerner Morrison and husband Bryan, Christopher "Kit" Koerner, all of Belgrade, Mont., Elizabeth Wells Honeycutt of Buenos Aires, Argentina, and M. Michele Perry of Sherrill, N.Y. She is also survived by a daughter-in-law, Ruth Piper, Scotia, N.Y.; a niece, Dianne Ducar Wieland, Bellingham, Mass.; a nephew, Charles P. Ducar, San Diego, Calif.; three great-nieces, five great-nephews, four great-great-nieces and four great-great-nephews. Her husband Frank Piper, son Arthur E. "Bud" Piper and sister Mary Louise Burnett Ducar preceded her in death.

A service celebrating the life of L. Berniece Piper will be at 11 a.m. Thursday at Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main, Peru, with Pastor Steven Ailes officiating. Burial will follow at Mt. Hope Cemetery, Peru. Visitation will be from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. today at the funeral home with an Eastern Star service at 8 p.m. Memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to the Main Street United Methodist Church or the Salvation Army.
Thursday, July 31, 2008

No Obituaries

Friday, August 1, 2008

**Carole M. Hamman**


Services for Carole M. HAMMAN, 73, Kewanna, will be at 10:30 a.m. today at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Homes, Kewanna Chapel.

She died at 1:48 a.m. Tuesday at Hickory Creek Healthcare Center in Winamac.

Born Oct. 4, 1934, in Winamac, she was the daughter of the late Harry Dee and Ada Mae (Adams) Harris. On May 16, 1953, in Kewanna, she was married to Ron E. Hamman and he survives.

She was a 1952 Kewanna High School graduate and a member of Kewanna United Methodist Church. Carole was also an avid reader who loved spending time with family and friends.

She retired after 43 years from Winamac Coil Spring in Kewanna.

Survivors include her husband, Ron E. Hamman of Kewanna; one son, Scott Hamman and wife Elena of Viera, Florida; one daughter, Terri L. Lynch and husband Ed of Winamac; 10 grandchildren, Kyle, Eddie, Shannon, Heather, Sean, Brent, Nikki, Melissa, Amanda and Casandra; and eight great-grandchildren, Brayden, Kamryn, Rylan, Maddox, Ashlee, Blake, Alex, and Christian. She is also survived by several nieces and nephews. Carole was preceded in death by her parents; one son, Michael Hamman; and one brother, William Harris.

Visitation was from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Homes, Kewanna Chapel. Pastor Steve McPeek will officiate at the service and burial will be at Citizens IOOF cemetery in Kewanna at a later date. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Foundation. Online
condolences may be made to the Hamman family at www.harrisonmetzger.com.

**Irene A. Town**

Irene A. TOWN, 94, of 1414 Spear St., Rochester, died Thursday at Hendricks County Memorial Hospital, Danville.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Phyllis Sutton**

Phyllis SUTTON, 63, Kewanna, died at 11:25 a.m. Thursday at Memorial Hospital, South Bend.

Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metger & Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna.

**Donald L. Carter**

Donald L. CARTER, 78, formerly of Culver, died Thursday in Fairhope, Ala.

Arrangements are pending at Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver.

Saturday, August 2, 2008

**Phyllis J. Sutton**

Aug. 30, 1944-July 31, 2008

Services for Phyllis J. SUTTON, 63, of Kewanna, will be held at 10:30 a.m. Monday at Harrison-Metger & Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel.

She passed away at 11:25 a.m. Thursday at Memorial Hospital of South Bend.

Born Aug. 30, 1944, in Kewanna, she was the daughter of Russell and Frances (Hite) Calhoun. On Feb. 21, 1976, in Munster, she was married to Harold L. Sutton Sr., and he survives.
Phyllis was a seamstress for more than 37 years at Hart Schaffner & Marx and she had also formerly worked at Wal-Mart, both of Rochester.

She attended Kewanna United Methodist Church and also participated in the Fulton County Relay for Life for several years. Phyllis liked to knit and sew and she enjoyed taking pictures.

Survivors include her husband, Harold L. Sutton Sr. of Kewanna; her mother, Frances Calhoun of Leiters Ford; two sons, Bob Sutton and wife Sandy of Kewanna and Harold L. Sutton Jr. and wife Krista of Culver; one daughter, Linda Reinholt and husband Art of Monterey; one brother, Dennis Calhoun, Monterey; one sister, Janet Calhoun of Culver; five grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Phyllis was preceded in death by her father, Russell Calhoun; one son, Jim Sutton; one brother, Donald Calhoun; and one grandson, Jim Reinholt.

Friends may call from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel. Pastor Steve McPeek will officiate at the service and burial will be at Citizens IOOF Cemetery, Kewanna. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Foundation and online condolences may be made to the Sutton family at www.harrisonmetzger.com.

Irene A. Town
Dec. 10, 1913-July 31, 2008

Irene A. TOWN, 94, of 1414 Spear St., Rochester, died at 2:30 a.m. Thursday at Hendricks Regional Health, Danville.

Born west of Richland Center, she was the daughter of Harry and Eva Redman Briney. She spent the majority of her lifetime as a Fulton County resident with the exception of 1966 to 1976, when she lived in Elkhart County. She graduated from Richland Center High School in 1932.

On Oct. 6, 1934, she married H. Demoine Town near Lake Manitou. He preceded her in death on April 9, 2003. She was a homemaker and member of First Christian Church, Rochester.
Irene coveted her title as matriarch of the family. She found great satisfaction with gardening both flowers and vegetables. The veggies kept her busy during the harvest time with cooking and canning. With love and great skill, she sewed for her family, making clothing for them to wear during their early years. She delighted in talking on the telephone and sharing the day’s events with her friends.

An enthusiastic history buff, Irene enjoyed studying and collecting memorabilia and creating photo albums as a method to organize and preserve interesting tidbits of the past. She was present when our own Fulton County Courthouse time capsule was cracked open. She never missed a story authored by Jack Overmyer, recalling history and trivia of the county and its cast of characters.

Irene was a loving mother who adored her four children, Jack, Janet, Juanita, and Judy. With love and compassion, she also cared for seven foster children during their formative years. As the family tree expanded, she was looked to for wisdom and leadership in her roles as Mom and Grandma. She dearly treasured each of her 12 special grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren, the newest edition coming last week on July 24.

Along with her appreciation of history, Irene will be remembered for her gentle smile, twinkling eyes and beautiful white hair with its distinct wave. She leaves her many friends and family to cherish her memory.

She is survived by three daughters, Janet Bridegroom and husband Tom, Avon, Juanita Yoder and husband John, Middlebury, Pa., and Judy Evans and husband Mick, Rochester; a son, Jack Allen Town and wife Peggy, Leesburg; 12 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; two sisters, Lorene Morgan, her twin, Rochester, and Beatrice Lewis, Rochester; and a brother, Gerald Briney, Rochester.

She was also preceded in death by her parents; a grandson, Jeffery Town; two sisters, infant Gertrude Briney and Geraldine Brown; and a brother, Harold Briney.

A celebration of the life of Irene A. Town will be held at 10 a.m. Monday at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., (Indiana 14 West), Rochester. Friends may visit with Irene’s family on
Sunday from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. and an hour prior to her services on
Monday. Her esteemed friend, Rick A. Abbott, will preside. She will
be laid to rest at the IOOF Cemetery next to her beloved husband,
Demoine. Preferred memorials in lieu of flowers may be made to the
First Christian Church. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be
made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Monday, August 4, 2008

Hazel C. Jones
Jan. 11, 1921-Aug. 2, 2008

Hazel C. JONES, 87, Fort Wayne, and longtime Rochester
resident, passed away at 6:50 p.m. Saturday at the Visiting Nurse and
Hospice Home in Fort Wayne.

She was born Jan. 11, 1921 in Shiawassee County, Mich., the
daughter of George Dewey and Louise (Remus) Putnam. Her family
is descended from a survivor of the 1690 Schenectady, New York
Massacre. On May 10, 1947, in Lainsburg, Mich., she married George

Mrs. Jones was a graduate of Blodgett Memorial Hospital
School of Nursing in Grand Rapids, Mich. After nursing school, she
served as a 2nd Lt. in the U.S. Army Nursing Corp. stationed in Great
Britain during World War II. After the war she returned to the United
States and worked as a registered nurse for a doctor's office in Grand
Rapids, Mich. She worked for over twenty years as a registered nurse
at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester, before retiring.

Mrs. Jones was a member of the Trinity United Methodist
Church, United Methodist Women, Veterans of Foreign Wars and
American Legion, all of Rochester. She was a cub scout den mother
for many years. She enjoyed cooking and entertaining family and
friends.

Survivors include her daughter, Janet and husband Terry
Meyer, Roseburg, Ore.; sons, Harry O. and wife Linda Jones, Fort
Wayne, Dewey George and wife Sue Jones, Marquette, Mich.,
Richard P. and wife Kathy Jones, Duluth, Ga., and John A. Jones,

She was preceded in death by her son, Tyler S. Jones; grandson, Jacob Meyer; brothers, Dale Remus Putnam, Richard Keith Putnam, Robert Frederick Putnam; and sister, Linda Lou Smith.

Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, with the Rev. Buck Padilla officiating. Friends may call from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday, and one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Burial will be in the Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester, where military graveside services will be conducted by the Rochester American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars posts. Memorial contributions may be made to the National V.F.W. Children's Home or the United Ministries Food Pantry. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

**Donald L. Carter**

Donald L. CARTER, 78, formerly of Culver, died at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at his home in Fairhope, Ala.

He is survived by his wife, Agnes Nolen; a son, Dr. Randy Carter, Sandy, Utah; a brother, Shirley Carter, Plymouth; and a sister, Phyllis Adams, Argos.

Graveside services will be at noon Wednesday at the Culver Masonic Cemetery. Friends may call at the Bonine-Odom Funeral Home from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Wednesday. Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver is handling arrangements.

**Hollis B. Babb**

Hollis B. BABB, 86, Lucerne, died at 9:10 a.m. Sunday at Woodlawn Hospital. Arrangements are pending at McClain Funeral Home, Denver.
Hershel L. Maus

Hershel L. MAUS, 88, a resident of Blair Ridge, Peru, and formerly of Denver and Kokomo, died at 12:10 a.m. Sunday at Howard Regional Health Systems, Kokomo.

Survivors include his son, Steven A. Maus, Russiaville, and daughter, Beverly West of Missouri.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver. Friends are invited to call from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

Tuesday, August 5, 2008

Hollis Branson Babb

Hollis Branson BABB, 86, Lucerne, died Sunday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Survivors include two sons, Richard Lee Babb, Logansport, and Michael Joe Babb, Twelve Mile, and a daughter, Dianna Anderson, Lucerne.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver, with visitation from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

Wednesday, August 6, 2008

George L. Dawald


George L. DAWALD, Jr., 83, of rural Roann, died at 6 a.m. Tuesday at Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne.

He was born Dec. 31, 1924, in Miami County, to George L. and Mary Floy (Gray) Dawald, Sr.

He married Betty Lou Conner in Indianapolis on Feb. 29, 1948. In 2004, they were awarded the Hoosier Homestead Award for having a farm in the same family 100 years. George was a 1942 graduate of Gilead High School. He was a farmer, a real estate salesman and broker, and co-owner of Dawald Realty in Peru. He was a U.S. Army
veteran, serving as a paratrooper with the 81st and 101st Airborne Divisions stationed in Europe during World War II. He was a member of the Wabash American Legion and the Macy Masonic Lodge.

He is survived by his wife, Betty L. Dawald of Roann; daughter, Mary Lou (Ron) Scholz of Crawfordsville; son, Timothy George Dawald of Roann; granddaughter, Haley Scholz of Crawfordsville; sister, Marigold Lowe of Twelve Mile; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by two brothers, Dick Dawald, who died in 2004, and Marx Dawald, who died in 1977.

Funeral services will be held at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 335 S. Chippewa Road, Roann, at 10:30 a.m. Friday. Burial will be in Enterprise Cemetery, rural Miami County. Friends may call from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home. Preferred memorial is the Roann Fire Department. The memorial guest book for George may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com.

**Eugene Laytart**

Eugene LAYTART, 66, Mentone, died Saturday, Aug. 2.

Services will be at 5 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 9, at Water of Life Church, Silver Lake. Visitation is one prior to and one hour after the services. DeLaughter-McKee Mortuary, North Manchester, is handling arrangements.

Thursday, August 7, 2008

**Truman L. Nordman**

Truman L. NORDMAN, 75, of 219 S. Pine St., Akron, died at 10:54 a.m. Wednesday at home.

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

Friday, August 8, 2008

**Truman L. Nordman**

Oct. 17, 1932-Aug. 6, 2008

Truman went home to be with the Lord on Aug. 6, 2008.
A resident of 219 S. Pine St., Akron, he was 75. He passed on at 10:54 a.m. at his residence after a three-year illness. He moved from Roann to Akron 20 years ago.

Born in Disko, he was the son of Adolph and Iva (Bolinger) Nordman. He graduated from Gilead High School in 1950.

He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean conflict and earned these awards: Korean Service Ribbon with one Bronze Service Star, United Nations Service Medal, National Defense Service Medal and Republic of Korea Presidential Unit Citation.

He married Doris L. Hudson on Jan. 16, 1955, at Olive Branch Church of God.

He owned and operated Nordman Buildings Inc., Roann. He then worked for 10 years at LAU Industries, Rochester, and retired in 1998. During his retirement, he worked part time as a funeral assistant at Earl-Love Funeral Home and enjoyed fishing as a pastime. He was a member of Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Doris L. Nordman; three children, Phillip (Cheryl) Nordman of Wabash, Peggy (Dean) Owens of Mexico, and Craig (Bobbie) Nordman of Amboy; four brothers, Wayne (Earlene) Nordman of Roann, Frank (Barbara) Nordman of Wabash, and Paul (Virginia) Nordman of Lebanon, Johnson (Carol) Nordman of Kokomo; a sister-in-law, Ruth Nordman of Silver Lake; seven grandchildren, Lyndi (Jay) Lancaster, Kimberly (Matt) Bentley, Jon Christopher Nordman, Kristoffer Owens, Elizabeth Holms, Steven (Nicole) Nordman and Dustin Nordman; and seven great-grandchildren, Anthony Hubartt, Bayley Lancaster, Braxton Holms, Madisyn Nordman, Preston Holms, Delaney Bentley, Jaxtin Holms.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two sisters, Lois Teeter and Novella Nordman; and a brother, Adolph (Junior) Nordman.

His funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday at Earl-Love Funeral Home, 811 E. Rochester St., Akron, with the Rev. Wayne Balmer officiating. Burial will be at Memorial Lawns Cemetery, Wabash. Visitation will be from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to Hope
Hospice of Fulton County, P.O. Box 621, 420 Main St., Rochester, IN 46975. Online condolences to the family can be made through Earl-Love Funeral Home at earllovefh@gmail.com.

Saturday, August 9, 2008

No Obituaries

Monday, August 11, 2008

Richard "Rick" Vance

Richard "Rick" VANCE, 62, 2610 Wolf Point Drive, Rochester, died at 5 p.m. Saturday at the Indiana University Medical Center in Indianapolis.

Rick's family will receive friends from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St. (Indiana 14 West), Rochester.

Bruce VanDerWeele

Bruce VanDerWEELE, 89, 625 West Oakhill Ave., Plymouth formerly of Argos, died at 2 a.m. Sunday at Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth.

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

Tuesday, August 12, 2008

Nancy Pennington

Nancy PENNINGTON, 54, North Manchester, died Aug. 3 at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Survivors include her husband, Jerry Pennington; sons Jeffrey Pennington, Mishawaka, and Chris Pennington, Fort Wayne; daughters Jessica Diaz, North Manchester, and Kathy Mabry, Temple, Texas; brothers Amos Conley, Tennessee, Norman Conley, Chickamauga, Ga., Alfred Conley, Akron, and Jerry Conley, North
Manchester; sisters Zefie Jackson, Gracie Jackson and Christene Cornell, all of Akron, Martha Hancock and Lorene Tesh, both North Manchester, and Izania Thorington, Peru.

Her funeral service was Aug. 6. Burial was in Gaerte Cemetery, Macy.

**Bruce VanDerWeele**

Bruce VanDerWEELE, 89, 625 W. Oakhill Ave., Plymouth, formerly of Argos, died at 2 a.m. Sunday at Miller's Merry Manor, Plymouth.

Survivors include his wife, Vivian VanDerWeele, Argos; daughters Jean Struffer, Argos, and Janis Wagner, Eugene, Ore. and son Jon D. VanDerWeele, Argos.

Cremation has taken place. A memorial service will be at a later date.

**Richard "Rick" D. Vance**

Richard "Rick" David VANCE, 62, 2610 Wolf Point Drive, Rochester, died at 6:20 p.m. Friday at Indiana University Medical Center, Indianapolis.


He founded Ad-Vance Magnetics Inc. in 1971, where he was president. He was a member of the Eagles Lodge no. 852, Veterans of Foreign Wars no. 1343, Moose Lodge no. 1107, Elks Lodge no. 2120, LeRoy Shelton American Legion Post no. 36.

Survivors include his wife Teri Vance, at home; three daughters, Courtney D. Vance and fiancé Matthew Williams, Indianapolis, Bethany Dewine, Chicago, and Brook Cygnar and husband, Chicago; a son, Derrick D. Vance, Rochester; a sister, Roberta "Bobbee" Dewine, Lawrenceville, Ga.; a nephew, Edward Vance Victor; three great-nephews, Gage, Hunter and Nathan Cygnar; a step-son, Kyle M. Kamp, Chicago; friend Debbie Vance; special
uncle Dr. Thomas Vance and wife Carol, N.C., canine companion, Charger the Great Dane; best friends Barbara and Jim Sargent; dedicated colleague and friend, Kay Davis; several aunts; and his family at Ad-Vance Magnetics.

Rick was a local, revered self-made businessman-entrepreneur. In 1971 he founded Ad-Vance Magnetics, Inc. a company that specializes in magnetic shielding used in many mediums including the NASA space shuttle and rockets. As president of his company, he oversaw vast changes over the past 35-plus years and success with a growing company which adapted to meet the needs of its customers.

As a student Rick enjoyed the academic rigors of the Universities of Arizona, Tennessee and Florida and Loyola of Chicago. He collected wisdom from each of these institutions but Rick was a self-proclaimed graduate of the School of Hard Knocks.

An avid golfer, he enjoyed hitting the links at Pebble Beach and Baltusrol. His love of golf carried over as he co-founded the Eagles Golf Scholarship Fund annual golfing event, with proceeds benefiting students continuing their education.

As an armchair athlete, Rick followed the USC Trojans, Chicago White Sox and the San Diego Chargers. His faithful canine companion, Charger, a Great Dane, was named for his fondness of the San Diego team. He exemplified the meaning of man's best friend. Charger was his constant companion and a source of comfort the past two years.

Rick was a very kind and thoughtful gentleman who was always there to help others: Whether it was creating the Eagles Golf Scholarship Fund, supporting the kids at Camp-We-Can, or his passion for canines. Rick was always there for his Ad-Vance Magnetics family and was the respected patriarch of the Vance family.

During his lifetime Rick made many friends and knew no strangers. Among his most treasured friends are his comrades "The Rat Pack." This was a special group of business associates who shared common interests, among them the love of golf.
Rick will be missed by his many business associates, "The Rat Pack", his family at Ad-Vance Magnetics, his friends at the Eagles and most of all his loving family. He will leave them all to cherish his memory and all of the good times they shared.

A Mass of Christian Burial for Mr. Richard "Rick" D. Vance, will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, at the St. Joseph Catholic Church with Father Burt Woolson. Rick's family will receive friends from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Wednesday and on Thursday from 8:45 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 West 18th St., (Indiana 14 West), Rochester. Preferred memorials, in lieu of flowers, may be made to: The Eagle's Golf Scholarship Fund, Camp-We-Can or the New Fulton County Humane Society Building Fund.

Wednesday, August 13, 2008

John P. Kochanowski

John P. KOCHANOWSKI, 69, 888 W. 18th St., Rochester, passed away at 7:05 p.m. Monday, Aug. 11 at Life Care Center of Rochester.

He was born February 8, 1939 in Elwood, the son of Stanley and Helen (Pedro) Kochanowski. On Sept. 5, 1992 in Athens, he married Charlene Powers and she survives.

Mr. Kochanowski was a retired tool and die maker and an employee of Sears Roebuck in Logansport. He was a U.S. Navy veteran, past Grand Master of the Masons of Elkhart, a member of the Lions Club, Shriners and had participated in Big Brothers/Big Sisters program. He enjoyed collecting scaled trains.

Survivors include his wife Charlene Kochanowski, Rochester; children, Lori and husband Curt Dillenbeck, Laurence, Mich., Ron and wife Lynn Kochanowski, Feeding Hills, Mass., Bonnie and husband Mitch Sailor, Elkhart, Darla Kroft, Ypsilanti, Mich., Teresa Riegle and friend Dave Hersberger, Fishers, Clark Kroft and fiance' Fatima Zayed, Rochester; twelve grandchildren; brothers, Don Kochanowski, South Bend, Mike and wife Nancy Kochanowski,
North Liberty; a sister, Veronica and husband George Vargo, Granger. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Memorial service will be conducted at 6 p.m. Thursday, August 14 at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with the Rev. Dan Davidson officiating. Friends may call from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home. Burial will take place at 9 a.m. Friday at Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester. Memorial contributions may be made to Big Brothers/Big Sisters. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

Ralph A. Musselman

Ralph A. MUSSELMAN, 87, Twelve Mile, died at 11:50 p.m. Sunday, August 10 at Caring Hands Health Care, Bunker Hill.

Survivors include four sons, Kenneth Musselman, Donald Musselman, Roger Musselman, and Dallas Musselman, all of Twelve Mile; one brother, Leonard Musselman; two sisters, Gertrude Townsend and Elsie Rush, Rochester.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver. Friends may call from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

Bruce VanDerWeele

Funeral service and military honors for Bruce VanDerWEELE, 89, 625 W. Oakhill Ave., Plymouth, will be at 3 p.m. Friday at Argos United Methodist Church, 540 N. Michigan St. Visitation is 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Friday at the church.

VanDerWeele died at 2 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 3, at Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth.

Thursday, August 14, 2008

No Obituaries
Charles 'Chuck' A. Holloway
Nov. 10, 1921-Aug. 14, 2008

Charles "Chuck" A. HOLLOWAY, 86, of 315 W. Center St., Burket, died at 4:20 p.m. Thursday at Lakeland Rehabilitation and Healthcare, Milford.

Born in Burket, he was the son of Mace A. and Ida Pearl Matthews Holloway. He graduated from Burket High School in 1939 and served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was a veteran of the 12th Cavalry Division and received a Bronze Star in The Philippines' liberation. He was serving overseas when the peace terms were signed.

He married Hildabell Emmons on Aug. 31, 1940, in Rochester. She survives in Burket, where they lived their married life.

He drove a milk route for Litchfield Creamery, Warsaw, for more than 20 years. He also worked for Moor Mans Feed as a delivery man and retired in 1983 from DePuy, Warsaw, where he was a truck driver.

He was well known for his boxing; he won many championships including the Golden Gloves. He also loved to travel and go fishing.

In addition to his wife, Hildabell Holloway, Burket, he is survived by a daughter, Betty J. and husband Oscar McCloughan, Akron; a son, Tom and wife Bonnie Holloway, Akron; seven grandchildren, Steve and Rex Holloway, Anita VanAllen, Shelly Sausaman, Diane Lance, Susan Hoffman, Lisa McCloughan; 12 great-grandchildren; three sisters, Mary Phillips, Warsaw, Geraldine and husband Robert Hawley, Claypool, and Marilyn and husband Earl Hall, Rochester; and a brother, Nelson and wife Gladys Holloway, Burket.
He was preceded in death by a brother, Arden Holloway, and two sisters, Margaret Zartman and Loretta Katherine Holloway.

His funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Monday at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Pastor Butch Troke officiating. Burial will be at IOOF Cemetery, Rochester, with military graveside rites by the LeRoy Shelton American Legion Post No. 36 and Manitou Veterans of Foreign Wars No. 1343, both of Rochester. Visitation will be from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the donor's choice. Condolences may be sent to the family online at www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

Virgil E. Fauser

Services for Virgil E. FAUSER, 84, Lake Bruce, formerly of Dyer, will be held at 11 a.m. Monday at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna chapel.

He passed away at 8:20 p.m. Thursday at his home after a courageous battle with cancer.

Born Sept. 3, 1923, in Hammond, he was the son of the late Earl and Matilda Louise (Doepping) Fauser. On Oct. 19, 1942, he was married to Ruby J. Burgess, and she survives.

Virgil grew up on Beal Street in Hammond, where he graduated eighth grade from St. Paul Lutheran School and was a 1941 graduate of Hammond Tech High School. He was a self-employed carpenter, who was a 60-year member of the Carpenters Local Union No. 599, Hammond. He attended Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church, Lake Bruce, and Free Methodist Church, Griffith.

Virgil enjoyed relaxing on the lake, building birdhouses, fishing and playing pinochle. At Christmas, he loved playing Santa Claus for his family and friends. Before retiring, Virgil and Ruby enjoyed traveling during the winter to places such as Hawaii and Spain.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Ruby J. Fauser, Lake Bruce; one son, James Fauser and his wife Mercedes of Dyer; two daughters, Betty Burton and her husband Thomas of Lowell and Sharon Johnston and her husband Gregory of Dyer; one sister, Vernetta White of
Hammond; four grandchildren, Maria Fuentes and her husband Geraldo, Frank Fauser and his wife Karen, Eric Burton and his wife Hope, and Rachelle Blumenthal and her husband Kenneth; 10 great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Virgil was preceded in death by his parents, one brother and one sister.

Friends may call from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel.

The Rev. Steven McPeek will officiate at the services. There will be additional calling hours from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Central time Tuesday at Chapel Lawn Funeral Home, 8178 Cline Ave. in Schererville, with a service being held at 1 p.m. Central time. Burial will follow in the Chapel Lawn Memorial Gardens, Schererville.

Online condolences may be sent to the Fauser family at www.harrisonmetzger.com.

Monday, August 18, 2008

No Obituaries

Tuesday, August 19, 2008

**Dawn S. Bearman**

Dawn S. (Halterman) BEARMAN, 32, passed away Saturday, Aug. 16, 2008, at University Park Nursing Center in Fort Wayne.

Born in Logansport, she was a homemaker and a member of Messiah Lutheran Church, Wolcottville. She was a president of Holland Elementary School PTA and past president of Northcrest Little League.

Survivors include husband, Matthew L. Bearman of Fort Wayne; son, Ethan R. Bearman, at home; parents, Robert and Sherry Halterman, Macy; brothers, Anthony R. (Shirley) Halterman of Hollywood, Fla., Andrew W. Halterman of Clinton, and Marcus J.A.
Halterman of Macy; maternal grandparents, E. Wayne and Betty Wilson of Rochester; paternal grandparents, Lewis A. and Shirley Halterman of Peru.

She was preceded in death by her grandmother, Jean D. Halterman.

Services will be 10 a.m. Saturday at St. Peter Lutheran Church, 7710 E. State Boulevard, Fort Wayne, with calling one hour prior, Rev. James Tews officiating. Calling is also from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. and 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Friday at D.O. McComb & Sons Pine Valley Park Funeral Home, 1320 E. Dupont Road, Fort Wayne. Graveside service is 2 p.m. Saturday at Plainview Cemetery at Macy. Memorials may be made to Ethan R. Bearman Education Fund and Mabel K. Holland PTA or Messiah Lutheran Church.

Robert Dielman
Robert DIELMAN, 69, 105 S. Thomas St., Elberton, Ga., formerly of Macy, died at 11:11 p.m. Sunday at home.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Robert A. Powell
Robert A. POWELL, 88, formerly of Peru, died Sunday at Grace Village, Winona Lake.

Survivors include his wife, Mary L. Behny Powell, and a son, Monte Powell, Warsaw.

Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Westlawn Cemetery, Denver, with visitation from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. today at McClain Funeral Home, Denver.

Carol Jo VanDalsen
Carol Jo VanDALSEN, 56, died Sunday in her Rochester home.

A memorial service will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, Rochester.
Wednesday, August 20, 2008

**Carol Jo VanDalsen**

October 6, 1951-August 17, 2008

ROCHESTER - Carol Jo VanDALSSEN, f/k/a Carol J. Miller, 56, died at 1:20 a.m. Sunday, August 17, 2008, in her home after battling papillary renal cell carcinoma for two and a half years.

She is survived by her former husband, Allan VanDalsen of Virginia Beach, Va.; three daughters, Andrea Yeargin of Rochester, Ind., Ali Kosicki of Englewood, Fla., and Angela VanDalsen of Rochester, Ind. Also surviving are four grandchildren, Zachary Rogalski, Cody Kosicki, Berkley VanDalsen and Bella VanDalsen, four sisters, all of Rochester, Ind., and many loving nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by one sister, one brother and her mother, Dorothy A. Fish.

Carol was a member of the Jehovah's Witnesses. Cremation will take place at Elkhart Cremation Services in Elkhart, Ind. Her cremains will be taken to the ocean in Boca Grande, Florida, and we will see her again when she is resurrected to a Paradise on earth by Jesus Christ and Jehovah God.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, August 20, 2008, at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, 1563 N. State Road 25, Rochester, Ind. A talk will be given by Herbert B. Clark.

**Robert Dielman**

Robert DIELMAN, 69, of 105 S. Thomas St., Elberton, Ga., formerly of Macy, died Sunday at home.

Survivors include his wife, Carol E. Dielman, Elberton; three daughters, Deborah K. Dye, Brook, Charith E. Zickmund, Elberton, and Bethany D. Spano, Edgewater, Fla.; a son, Daniel L. Dielman, Grand Rapids, Mich.; and a brother, Donald Dielman, Rochester.

Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at Plainview Cemetery, Macy, with visitation from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.
Phillip S. Grau

Phillip S. GRAU, 88, of 1729 Wabash Ave., Rochester, died at 6:21 a.m. Tuesday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Eldora M. Kreilkamp

Eldora M., KREILKAMP, 93, of 1000 Pontiac St., Rochester, died at 10:30 p.m. Monday at home.

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

Thursday, August 21, 2008

Robert Dielman

March 22, 1939-Aug. 17, 2008

Robert DIELMAN, 69, of 105 S. Thomas St., Elberton, Ga., formerly of Macy and the Fulton County community, died at 11:11 p.m. Sunday at his residence. He was in failing health since June.

Born in Macy, he was the son of Earl and Mabel Lewis Dielman, who preceded him in death. He graduated from Macy High School in 1957.

On Aug. 16, 1958, in Akron, he married Carol E. Smith.

He worked in aeronautical technology at Lockheed Martin at Cape Canaveral as a shuttle mechanic.

A member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, he moved to Georgia in June from Hobart, where he lived for 13 years. He also had lived in Florida.

Survivors include his wife, Carol E. Dielman, Elberton, Ga.; three daughters, Deborah K. Dye and husband Stephen of Brook, Charith E. Zickmund and husband Joseph of Elberton, and Bethany D. Spano and husband Donald of Edgewater, Fla.; a son, Daniel L. Dielman and wife Toni of Grand Rapids, Mich.; 13 grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; a brother, Donald Dielman and wife Ann of Rochester; two sisters-in-law, Charlotte Overfield and husband Bud of
Kokomo and Sonia Fillyaw and husband O.T. of Live Oak, Fla.; and a brother-in-law, Gary Smith and wife Avanell of Akron; and nieces and nephews.

Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at Plainview Cemetery, Macy, with speaker Art Parker. Friends may visit with the family from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester.

Friday, August 22, 2008

Charles 'Max' Grindle

Charles "Max" GRINDLE, 93, Wabash, died Thursday at Miller's Merry Manor East, Wabash.

Survivors include his daughter, Marlene Meyer, Wabash; his son, Rev. Maurice Grindle, Rochester; and his sister, Carolyn Kaiser, Casper, Wyo.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, Wabash, with visitation from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. today and one hour prior to the Saturday service.

Richard 'Dick' E. Robison

Aug. 21, 1943-Aug. 20, 2008

Richard "Dick" E. ROBISON, 64, of 1830 W. Olson Road, Rochester, died at 6:10 p.m. Wednesday at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Lafayette.

A lifetime Rochester resident, he was born in LaPorte to Marilee Coplen. She preceded him in death.

Dick was a U.S. Army veteran; he served during the Vietnam War from 1965 to 1967. He was proud to be a member of "The Big Red One" Battalion.

After returning home, he founded and owned Dick's Septic Service, which served Fulton County and north central Indiana for 35 years.

He married Marsha D. Miller in Culver on July 8, 1967, and she survives at home.
Surviving with his wife, Marsha Robison, are his son, Rex Robison and wife Kris, Rochester; two granddaughters, Macie and Haley Robison, Rochester; and his mother-in-law, Marjorie Miller, Rochester.

In 1998, he and Rex founded R & R Visual. He served the company as vice president until his retirement.

A talented musician, Dick played the mandolin and a variety of guitars. His preferred instrument was his Gibson Master Tone banjo. He looked forward to expressing himself with jam sessions with his friends in the garage. His favorite musical styles were bluegrass and country.

With remote in hand, Dick relaxed and watched the Discovery Channel, reality TV or Fox.

He owned a collection of unique cars.

Paramount in his life was his family. There was nothing more special to him than the visits from his granddaughters, Macie and Haley, whom he loved and adored.

A funeral service for Dick Robison will be at 10 a.m. Monday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Pastor Todd Kauffman officiating. Burial will be at IOOF Cemetery, Rochester, with military graveside rites by the LeRoy Shelton American Legion Post No. 36 and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 1343. Friends may visit with the family from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday and one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the Kidney Foundation. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Saturday, August 23, 2008

Phillip S. Grau

Phillip S. GRAU, 88, of 1729 Wabash Ave., Rochester, died Tuesday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Survivors include three sons, Robert G. Grau, Lake Tomahawk, Wis., Donald P. Grau, Los Angeles, Calif., and David D. Grau, Chicago, Ill. and a sister, Rachel E. Schwartz, Longbeach, Calif.
Services will be at 11 a.m. today at Haben Funeral Home, Skokie, Ill. Visitation was from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday.

**Naomi Poyner**

Naomi POYNER, 89, Kewanna, died at 3 a.m. Friday at Miller's Merry Manor, Culver.

Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Kewanna Chapel.

Monday, August 25, 2008

**Naomi F. Poyner**


Naomi F. POYNER, 89, of Culver, formerly of Kewanna, passed away at 3 a.m. Friday at Miller's Merry Manor, Culver.

Born August 5, 1919, in Warsaw, she was the daughter of the late Merle and Trella (Munson) Scott. She was a 1937 graduate of Warsaw High School.

Mrs. Poyner was a retired administration secretary from TRW Space Research Division, Redondo Beach, Calif.

She was a member of the National American Legion Auxiliary, Quartus Foundation of Beorne, TX and Unity International, Kansas City, Mo.

Survivors include one daughter, Ruth Larkin of Kewanna; two grandchildren, Rob Mitchell of Corona, Calif. and Jeff Mitchell of Phlugerville, Tx.; and four great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her husband, James R. Poyner in 1982, and one sister, Bea Harris.

There will be no services or calling.

Arrangements are being handled by Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel.

Online Condolences may be made to the family at www.harrisonmetzger.com
Roger D. Robinson
Nov. 7, 1933 - Aug. 21, 2008

Roger D. ROBINSON, 74, lifetime Atwood resident, died at 5:45 p.m. Thursday at Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw.

He was born in Atwood on Nov. 7, 1933 to Willard D. Robinson and Jessie M. Carpenter.


He began painting posts for Creighton Brothers at the age of 14, and gathered eggs in the chicken houses on the weekends until his high school graduation. He retired in March of 1996 after spending the last 39 years in the feed mill. After retirement he helped Mike and Dan Williamson with spring and fall farming and assisted on many levels at Titus Funeral Home.

Roger was a member of Otterbein United Methodist Church of Atwood, Atwood Lions Club, "Echoes from the Past" tractor club where he showed Allis Chalmers and Farmall tractors in shows and parades. He was also a member of Warsaw Masonic Lodge No. 73 Free & Accepted Masons, Scottish Rite of Fort Wayne and Mizpah Shrine of Fort Wayne. He was a boy scout leader in his younger days and was a 1952 graduate of Atwood High School.

He was a woodworker who took pride in building a variety of pieces, including furniture. He collected Snow Babies and Hopi Indian carvings and coins. He enjoyed working in his vegetable garden and yard. Roger was an avid fan of high school volleyball and basketball and was a Civil War buff.

As a loving husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle, friend and member of the Titus Funeral Home staff, Roger was deeply loved and respected. He will be greatly missed.

Survivors include his wife, Nellie Robinson; one daughter, Aimee A. (Dennis) Kessie, Cheyenne, Wyo.; two sons, Jay M. (Lana) Robinson, Tucson, Ariz., and Kirk B. (Kim) Robinson, Akron; eight grandchildren, Angela (Chad) Gebert, Andrew Robinson, Emily (Kirk) Proctor, Kyle (Megan) Robinson, Kara Robinson, Alexandra (Jordan) Jesse, Mason Kessie, Wyatt Kessie; five great-grandchildren,
Carl Hartwell III, Chloe Gebert, Cassandra Gebert, Bryce Proctor, Aubrey Proctor; one sister, Donna Jane (Jim) Truex, Warsaw; one brother, Glen D. Robinson, Warsaw.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Willard Robinson, April 5, 1983 and Jessie Robinson, April 27, 2001; and a grandson, James Popenfoose, Dec. 26, 1996.

Visitation was Sunday from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Titus Funeral Home, Warsaw. Services will be at 10:30 a.m. today at the funeral home with Rev. Jerry Thomas, Otterbein United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial will be at Oakwood Cemetery, Warsaw.

Memorial contributions may be made to Cancer Services of Fort Wayne, 2925 E. State Blvd., Fort Wayne, Indiana 46805; or Kosciusko Home Care and Hospice P.O. Box 1196, Warsaw, Indiana 46581-1196.

Laurence Norris

Former Fulton County Sheriff Laurence NORRIS, 94, Fulton, died at 4:45 p.m. Sunday at Chase Center, Logansport.

Arrangements are pending at the Good Family Funeral Home.

Tuesday, August 26, 2008

Laurence Hubert Norris

Laurence Hubert NORRIS, 94, of 103 E. Brown St., Fulton, died Sunday at the Chase Center, Logansport.

Survivors include his wife, Mary L. Norris, at home; two daughters, Doris Ann Goode, Rochester, and Doreen Ehresman, Lafayette; and a son, David Norris, Mishawaka.

His funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday and one hour prior to the service Friday.
Wednesday, August 27, 2008

Dr. Carl Boyd
Dr. Carl BOYD, 65, Culver, died Monday in Hillsboro, Ore. Arrangements are pending at Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver.

Laurence Hubert 'Buck' Norris
July 5, 1914-Aug. 24, 2008
Laurence Hubert "Buck" NORRIS, 94, of 103 E. Brown St., Fulton, died at 4:45 p.m. Sunday at the Chase Center, Logansport. He was a lifetime Fulton County resident.

On July 5, 1914, Laurence was born in his family's modest log home near Fulton. He was the son of Hugh V. "Buck" Norris and Bonnie Blanche Dawson Norris. Laurence was the eldest of three boys; his brothers were Arnold and Donald.

He began developing his work ethic at an early age while farming with his Dad and brothers. As a junior in high school, Laurence often drove the school bus for his father during harvest and planting seasons, assuring the neighborhood kids got to school.

Laurence graduated from Fulton High School in 1932. He played on the Bulldogs basketball team with Arnold and Otis Bowen, who later served as Indiana's governor.

On Feb. 15, 1940, he married Marguerite Slonaker.

Following the bombing of Pearl Harbor by the Japanese, Laurence volunteered for the U.S. Marine Corps. He was trained as a raider on New Caledonia and served in the South Pacific from 1943 to 1946. He fought in some of the most horrifying combat of World War II at the battle of Peleliu Island. Some of the heaviest fighting occurred at Bloody Nose Ridge, where the Japanese made their last stand. The fighting of Peleliu was intense, "the bloodiest Marine battle in the Pacific," according to military scholars. After a month of fighting, Marine losses were 1,121 dead, 5,142 wounded and 73 missing. Laurence recalled, "There were 64 in our platoon that morning when we landed. Eight days later, there were 13 of us left.
The first five days we fought day and night." He was a privileged member of the Honor Guard when the Japanese surrendered in August 1945.

At the conclusion of the war, Laurence returned to Rochester and he and Marguerite began their family. They added two daughters, Doris Ann and Doreen Marguerite, and a son, David Laurence. Years later, completing the progeny are grandchildren Will, Mary, Antoinette and Darrell.

Serving the citizens of Fulton County interested Laurence. He successfully ran his campaign and served as Sheriff from 1947 to 1959. He was the youngest Sheriff ever to serve us and the only Sheriff in the U.S. to be a member of Gideons International. As Sheriff, his most memorable incident was the fight in a Rochester garage. Laurence, "in the best TV western tradition" according to The Rochester Sentinel, walked into a five-man brawl and floored three of the combatants on the spot.

Following his tenure as Sheriff, Laurence became a full-time dairy farmer. In addition, he raised cattle and grew corn. Upon his retirement and with a vision for preservation, Laurence became a conservationist and planted more than 53,000 trees of various species on 130 acres of his 180-acre farm.

Concluding his career was a stint with the Indiana State Highway Department.

He belonged to Fulton Baptist Temple, Manitou Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 1343 and LeRoy Shelton American Legion Post No. 36.

In September 1994, after 54 years of marriage, Marguerite sadly passed following a 15-year struggle with Parkinson's Disease.

On Aug. 25, 1996, Laurence married Mary Louise Goodner at Fulton Baptist Temple. Laurence and Mary rode the same school bus when they were growing up and had once gone on a date to the movies in Rochester in 1931.

Laurence will be remembered for his strong faith, supreme courage and dedication to his country, respect and love for his family, the special town named Fulton and all those who surrounded him. He
experienced the simplest pleasures and withstood the challenges of some of the darkest hours. Laurence embraced life each day with a zest for living. His greatest pleasure came from bragging about and visiting his children and grandchildren.

Laurence H. "Buck" Norris was an example of integrity and honesty, an inspiration to all who were honored to know him. He leaves behind many friends and his loving family to cherish his memory and remember the good times they shared.

He is survived by his wife, Mary L. Norris, of Woodbridge, Logansport; two daughters, Doris Ann Goode and husband Tim, Rochester, and Doreen Ehresman and husband Steve, Lafayette; a son, David Norris and wife Janet, Mishawaka; four grandchildren, Mary Ehresman and William Ehresman of Lafayette and Antoinette Franklin and Darrell Davis of Mishawaka. He was also preceded in death by his parents; an infant daughter, Brenda Kay Norris, in 1941; and his brothers.

A celebration of his life will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Indiana 14 West, Rochester. Pastor Bruce Russell will officiate. Laurence will be laid to rest at Fulton Cemetery. His family will receive friends from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday and one hour prior to his service Friday. Military graveside rites will be accorded by the Marine Corps Military Detail, LeRoy Shelton American Legion and Manitou Veterans of Foreign Wars. Memorials may be made to the charity of one's choice or to Shop With A Cop of Fulton County. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

**William 'Lee' Sheets**
April 15, 1910 – Aug. 26, 2008

William "Lee" SHEETS, 98, formerly of 117 Ohio St., Rochester, died at 4:15 a.m. Tuesday at Grace Village, Winona Lake, where he lived for four years.

He was in failing health for two years.
Born in Fulton County, near Richland Center, Lee was the son of Clarence Edgar and Alma Videl Sheets. He lived most of his life in Fulton County except for 16 years, when he lived in Argos.

In November 1938, he married Louise Oliver in Lafayette. She preceded him in death in October 1965. Lee married Dorotha M. Binkley on Oct. 19, 1994, in Indianapolis, and she survives.

He worked numerous jobs. He worked for the railroad at Argos and for The Rochester Sentinel. He retired from farming.

Lee loved to hear and tell jokes.

He was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church, Rochester, and Warsaw Community Grace Brethren Church.

Survivors include his wife, Dorotha M. Sheets, at home; a stepdaughter, Sheila Poe, Warsaw; a stepson, Curtis Binkley and wife Judy, Leigh Acres, Fla.; six stepgrandchildren; 11 stepgreat-grandchildren; and a niece, Mitzi and husband Chet Hewitt, Indianapolis. He was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Donna Griffith, and a brother, Carl Sheets, both in 2000.

His funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Thursday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with the Rev. Tom Abbitt officiating. Burial will be at IOOF Cemetery, Rochester. Friends may visit with the family one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to Warsaw Community Grace Brethren Church or Grace Village. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Thursday, August 28, 2008

Walter J. Brown


Mr. Brown was born on Aug. 4, 1920, in Rochester, a son of the late Selden J. Brown and Grace Ella Middleton Brown.
He graduated from Rochester High School in 1939 and from Purdue University in 1943 with a degree in forestry. He moved to South Carolina in 1946, and worked for the Woodlands Division of the International Paper Company until his retirement in 1984. He was a member of the Society of American Foresters for more than 50 years. Walt was a member of the Georgetown Presbyterian Church, the Fellowship Sunday School Class and the Men's Breakfast group. He served the church as a deacon and was church treasurer for many years.

He was predeceased by two brothers, Jesse A. Brown and Lawrence M. Brown, both of Rochester, and two sisters, Edith Nicholson and Grace Stojanovic.

Surviving are a sister, Ella Mae Holloway of Rochester, and 16 nieces and nephews.

A memorial service was held at Georgetown Presbyterian Church on Wednesday, Aug. 20, with the Rev. Stephen Wilkins and the Rev. William Puckett officiating. Memorials may be made to the Georgetown Presbyterian Church, 558 Black River Road, Georgetown, SC 29440.

Gladys Smiley
Aug. 20, 1929-Aug. 24, 2008

Gladys SMILEY, 79, of 4343 Schumacher Road, 181 E. Sixth St., Sebring, Fla., died at 11:45 a.m. Sunday at home in Sebring.

She married John Smiley in July 1970 in Rochester; he survives in Sebring.

She owned and operated a hair salon in Rochester.

Survivors include a son, Gary Scholz, Homer, Alaska; stepdaughters, Engrid Smiley, Los Angeles, Calif., Marsina Gowdy, Charlevoix, Mich., Sylvia Nagy, Carmel; a sister, Terri Howdeshell, Rochester; four grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her sisters, Joyce Truax and Jean Jenkins, and a grandson, Jeffrey Gowdy.
At her request, no service will be held. Interment will be in Sebring. Memorials may be made to Good Shepherd Hospice, 105 Arneson Ave., Auburndale, FL 33823.

Laurence Hubert 'Buck' Norris
July 5, 1914 – Aug. 24, 2008

Laurence Hubert "Buck" NORRIS, 94, of 103 E. Brown St., Fulton, died at 4:45 p.m. Sunday at the Chase Center, Logansport. He was a lifetime Fulton County resident.

On July 5, 1914, Laurence was born in his family's modest log home near Fulton. He was the son of Hugh V. "Buck" Norris and Bonnie Blanche Dawson Norris. Laurence was the eldest of three boys; his brothers were Arnold and Donald.

He began developing his work ethic at an early age while farming with his Dad and brothers. As a junior in high school, Laurence often drove the school bus for his father during harvest and planting seasons, assuring the neighborhood kids got to school.

Laurence graduated from Fulton High School in 1932. He played on the Bulldogs basketball team with Arnold and Otis Bowen, who later served as Indiana's governor.

On Feb. 15, 1940, he married Marguerite Slonaker.

Following the bombing of Pearl Harbor by the Japanese, Laurence volunteered for the U.S. Marine Corps. He was trained as a raider on New Caledonia and served in the South Pacific from 1943 to 1946. He fought in some of the most horrifying combat of World War II at the battle of Peleliu Island. Some of the heaviest fighting occurred at Bloody Nose Ridge, where the Japanese made their last stand. The fighting of Peleliu was intense, "the bloodiest Marine battle in the Pacific," according to military scholars. After a month of fighting, Marine losses were 1,121 dead, 5,142 wounded and 73 missing. Laurence recalled, "There were 64 in our platoon that morning when we landed. Eight days later, there were 13 of us left. The first five days we fought day and night." He was a privileged member of the Honor Guard when the Japanese surrendered in August 1945.
At the conclusion of the war, Laurence returned to Rochester and he and Marguerite began their family. They added two daughters, Doris Ann and Doreen Marguerite, and a son, David Laurence. Years later, completing the progeny are grandchildren Will, Mary, Antoinette and Darrell.

Serving the citizens of Fulton County interested Laurence. He successfully ran his campaign and served as Sheriff from 1947 to 1959. He was the youngest Sheriff ever to serve us and the only Sheriff in the U.S. to be a member of Gideons International. As Sheriff, his most memorable incident was the fight in a Rochester garage. Laurence, "in the best TV western tradition" according to The Rochester Sentinel, walked into a five-man brawl and floored three of the combatants on the spot.

Following his tenure as Sheriff, Laurence became a full-time dairy farmer. In addition, he raised cattle and grew corn. Upon his retirement and with a vision for preservation, Laurence became a conservationist and planted more than 53,000 trees of various species on 130 acres of his 180-acre farm.

Concluding his career was a stint with the Indiana State Highway Department.

He belonged to Fulton Baptist Temple, Manitou Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 1343 and LeRoy Shelton American Legion Post No. 36.

In September 1994, after 54 years of marriage, Marguerite sadly passed following a 15-year struggle with Parkinson's Disease.

On Aug. 25, 1996, Laurence married Mary Louise Goodner at Fulton Baptist Temple. Laurence and Mary rode the same school bus when they were growing up and had once gone on a date to the movies in Rochester in 1931.

Laurence will be remembered for his strong faith, supreme courage and dedication to his country, respect and love for his family, the special town named Fulton and all those who surrounded him. He experienced the simplest pleasures and withstood the challenges of some of the darkest hours. Laurence embraced life each day with a
zest for living. His greatest pleasure came from bragging about and visiting his children and grandchildren.

Laurence H. "Buck" Norris was an example of integrity and honesty, an inspiration to all who were honored to know him. He leaves behind many friends and his loving family to cherish his memory and remember the good times they shared.

He is survived by his wife, Mary L. Norris, of Woodbridge, Logansport; two daughters, Doris Ann Goode and husband Tim, Rochester, and Doreen Ehresman and husband Steve, Lafayette; a son, David Norris and wife Janet, Mishawaka; four grandchildren, Mary Ehresman and William Ehresman of Lafayette and Antoinette Franklin and Darrell Davis of Mishawaka. He was also preceded in death by his parents; an infant daughter, Brenda Kay Norris, in 1941; and his brothers.

A celebration of his life will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Indiana 14 West, Rochester. Pastor Bruce Russell will officiate. Laurence will be laid to rest at Fulton Cemetery. His family will receive friends from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. today and one hour prior to his service Friday. Military graveside rites will be accorded by the Marine Corps Military Detail, LeRoy Shelton American Legion and Manitou Veterans of Foreign Wars. Memorials may be made to the charity of one's choice or to Shop With A Cop of Fulton County. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Friday, August 29, 2008

Carl R. Boyd

Carl R. BOYD, 65, Culver, died Monday at Harmony Guest Home, Hillsboro, Ore.

Survivors include his wife, Cherylynn Boyd, Culver; two sons, Michael Boyd, Chandler, Ariz., and James Boyd, Hillsboro, Ore.; and a sister, Rosemary Avery, Washington, D.C.

His funeral service will be at 1 p.m. Saturday at Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, with visitation from 10 a.m. until the service.
Darren C. Hanley

Darren C. HANLEY, 38, Kokomo, died at 12:32 a.m. Tuesday at St. Vincent Hospital, Indianapolis.

He was born in Howard County to Dick and Lora (Wyrick) Hanley. He graduated from Kokomo High School in 1988 and from ITT Technical, where he earned a degree in electrical and manufacturing engineering.

On May 31, 2003, he married Katie R. Schrader in Gatlinburg, Tenn., and she survives in Kokomo.

He worked at Square D in Peru and previously worked at Invensys, North Manchester, for five years as an electrical and manufacturing engineer.

He was an avid Harley rider and also enjoyed fishing, golfing, camping and boating.

In addition to his wife, Katie R. Hanley, he is survived by his father, Dick Hanley, Rochester; his mother, Lora Stalter, Kokomo; his son, Justin C. Hanley, Kokomo; his sister, Michelle Hinze, Logansport; brothers- and sisters-in-law, Melissa and Craig Armstrong, Elkhart, Paul and Dawn Schrader, Mentone, and Sarah and Sean Garrison, Macy; nieces and nephews, who knew him as BoBo, Collin Hinze, Colby Hinze, Michelle Armstrong, Graig Armstrong, Mike Schrader, Cayla Schrader, Bryce Garrison; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Charles "Jerry" and Eva Jane Hanley, Charles Wyrick and Wilma Wyrick, and an uncle, Ken Wyrick.

His funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Shirley & Stout Funeral Home, Lincoln Road Chapel, 1315 W. Lincoln Road, Kokomo, with Pastor David Welsh officiating. Burial will be in Albright Cemetery. Friends and family may call from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. today at the funeral home. Online condolences may be sent via www.shirleyandstout.com.
Evelyn Frances Hutchison  
June 16, 1924-Aug. 21, 2008

Word has been received of the death of Evelyn HUTCHISON, 84, of Aurora, Ill. She was the loving mother of local resident Elizabeth "Betsy" Stowasser.

Born June 16, 1924 in Naperville, Ill., to John and Sabina (Gathman) Doyle, she went to her Heavenly Father on Aug. 21, 2008.

Evelyn, a graduate of Copley School of Nursing in Aurora, worked at Copley Hospital for 37 years in nursing, where she retired as an Assistant Director of Nursing.

She spent many summers in Rochester canning, bowling, playing games and enjoying Lake Manitou with Betsy's family. She touched the hearts of many in Rochester with her warm smile and caring way. She loved woodworking and had an expert hand in finishing wood trim in many homes built by her son-in-law, Dave Stowasser, Carpentry Plus.

Evelyn was a member of Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church and Copley School of Nursing Alumni, and was an avid Chicago Cubs fan.

Survivors include one brother, Edward Doyle and wife, Evelyn, Naperville; one sister, Marie Robinson and the late Robert, Naperville; her children, James (Carol) Hutchison, Sandwich, Ill., Betsy (Dave) Stowasser, Rochester, John (Cindy) Hutchison, Aurora, Jody Nila, Safety Harbor, Fla., and Deborah (Brian) Petersohn, Montgomery, Ill.; her grandchildren, Troy (Toni) Hutchison, David (Susie) Stowasser, Brett (Angie) Stowasser, Amanda (Jeremy) Richey, Christopher Hutchison, Tabitha Hutchison, Joshua (Kristy) Petersohn, Jacob Petersohn, Steven Hutchison and Ashley Hutchison; her great-grandchildren, Andrew, Cheyenne, Luke, Alexa, Jenna, Nathan and Jase; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert Hutchison in 2006; her parents; her sister, Ellen Doyle; and her brother, Robert Doyle.

Funeral services were Monday, Aug. 25, in Montgomery.
Memorials may be made in her memory to Our Lady of Good Counsel Restoration Fund, 620 Fifth St., Aurora, IL 60505.

**Marjorie Jean Reiter**  
March 2, 1922-Aug. 27, 2008

Marjorie Jean REITER, 86, South Bend, passed away at 2:50 p.m. Wednesday in St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

She was born on March 2, 1922, in Hicksville, Ohio, to Charles Thomas and Thelma Fern (Kyser) Daniels. On Oct. 22, 1939, in Rochester, she married Marion E. Reiter, who preceded her in death on Nov. 5, 1994.

Mrs. Reiter is survived by six sons, Clark A. (Emily) Reiter of Plymouth, Stephen D. Reiter of South Bend, Thomas G. (Maria) Reiter of Novi, Mich., Bret E. (Linda) Reiter of Linden, Mich., Timothy F. Reiter of South Bend, and Kent A. (Lori) Reiter of Mishawaka; 11 grandchildren, Kevin A. (Laurie) Reiter, Kenneth A. (Debbie) Reiter, Troy S. (Kim Buss) Reiter, Jennifer R. (Michael) Reiter-Vela, Craig G. (Carolina) Reiter, Ryan T. Reiter, Corey M. Reiter, Sara K. (Michael) McClaran, Adam M. Reiter, Robert E. (Lindsay) Lusk and Eric G. Reiter. She is also survived by eight great-grandchildren, Nathan Reiter, Aaron Reiter, Benjamin Reiter, Shane Reiter, Brandi Reiter, Charlotte Reiter, Clementine Reiter and Cassidy Lusk; sister-in-law, Zana Daniels of Rochester; two nieces, Debsie Dyer and Denise Johnson; and nephew, Daniel Daniels. A brother, Charles Garwood Daniels preceded her in death.

Mrs. Reiter was raised in Plymouth and spent most of her life in South Bend.

She attended the Lakeside Baptist Church in Lakeville.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday in the Lakeside Baptist Church, 515 Michigan Trail, Lakeville. Rev. Vito Rulli, pastor of the church, will officiate. Burial will follow in Southlawn Cemetery, South Bend. Friends may visit with the family from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Saturday in the church.

Palmer Funeral Home-Lakeville is handling the arrangements.
In lieu of flowers, contributions may be offered to the Humane Society, 2506 Grape Road, Mishawaka, IN 46545 or the South Bend-Elkhart Audubon Society, P.O. Box 581, Mishawaka, IN 46546 or to the Lakeside Baptist Church. Online condolences may be made at www.palmerfuneralhomes.com.

Saturday, August 30, 2008

No Obituaries

Monday, September 1, 2008

No Paper-Holiday

Tuesday, September 2, 2008

**Donna Berniece Anglin**


Donna Berniece ANGLIN, 79, of Wabash, died at 7:05 a.m. Saturday at her home after an eight-month battle with lung cancer.

She was born March 3, 1929 in Mentone, to Lee R. and Lillie M. (Mikesell) Holloway.

She attended Rochester High School. Following high school, she relocated to South Bend, where she met her future husband, Robert L. Anglin. They were married on Sept. 13, 1949, and moved to Wabash in 1952. Donna was a great wife, an excellent mother, and a devoted grandmother. She worked alongside her husband in their accounting and tax business. Together they were a vital force behind the success of the Wabash County United Fund during the 10 years they worked with the organization. In 1990, she and Bob were honored by being named the Distinguished Citizens at the annual Wabash Area Chamber of Commerce banquet. She was a member of Christ United Methodist Church.

She is survived by her husband of 59 years, Robert L. Anglin of Wabash; five children, Ellen Elaine (James) Carrothers of Shoddy
Daisy, Tenn., Jennifer Jane Hahn of Wabash, Philip Jay (Emily) Anglin of Richland, Mich., Cathy L. Kunkel of Greybull, Wyo. And Timothy D. Anglin of North Ogden, Utah; daughter-in-law, Carol Anglin of Fort Wayne; 11 grandchildren, Chad Carrothers of Bloomington, Lindsay (John) Jackson of Clarksville, Tenn., Adam Hahn of Chicago, Ill., Gretchen Hahn of Fort Wayne, Miranda Hahn of Wabash, Shana (Travers) Pepple of Fort Wayne, Brian Anglin of Fort Wayne, Stephanie and JD Kunkel of Greybull, Wyo., Grace and Rocco Anglin of Richland, Mich.; and seven great-grandchildren; brother, Robert Holloway of Rochester; two sisters, Lois A. (Clayr) Stones of Rochester and Phyllis J. Duzan of Warsaw. She was preceded in death by three brothers and five sisters.

Funeral services will be held at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 1241 Manchester Avenue, Wabash, on Wednesday at 2 p.m. with Guy Provance officiating. Burial will be in Falls Cemetery, Wabash. Friends may call from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Preferred memorial is Wabash-Miami Home Healthcare and Hospice or ARC of Wabash County.

The memorial guest book for Donna may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com.

Phyllis Diane Wagley

Phyllis Diane WAGLEY, 62, of 6129 Heron Blvd., Warsaw, died Friday at home

Survivors include her husband, Allen Wagley, Warsaw; three sons, Michael Wagley, Warsaw, Gary Wagley, Staunton, Va., and Robert Wagley, Akron; and a brother, David Shull, Syracuse.

Her funeral Service will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Redpath-Fruth Funeral Home, Warsaw, with visitation from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. today at the funeral home.
Rebecca M. Fribley
Rebecca M. FRIBLEY, 91, formerly of Argos, died at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Miller’s Merry Manor, 625 W. Oakhill, Ave., Plymouth.
Arrangements are pending at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

Janice E. Gard
Janice E. GARD, age 59, of 1856 Indiana 10, Bourbon, peacefully entered into eternal rest on Sunday at 11:30 a.m. in her home, of pancreatic cancer.
Jan was born, the daughter of Lowell T. Gard and JoHannah Slough Gard, on Sept. 11, 1948, at Bremen. She worked at Frank Manufacturing of Mentone for 15 years.
Jan was a graduate of Triton High School, Class of 1966. She also was a graduate of Indiana University of South Bend with a Bachelor of Arts degree with distinction in 1985. She graduated from Ohio University with a Master of Science degree in psychology in 1992. She completed her internship in psychology at the Veterans Hospital of Little Rock, Ark., in 1993. Jan also attended the Etna Green United Methodist Church. She enjoyed and loved animals of all kinds, especially her cats.
Janice is survived by her mother, JoHannah Gard of Bourbon, and her three brothers, Gregory and wife Diane Gard of Rochester, Jeffery and wife Joyce Gard of New Carlisle, and Eric and wife Janie Gard of Carmel.
She was preceded in death by her father, Lowell, and a baby nephew, Andrew Gard.
A funeral service to celebrate Jan’s life will be Thursday at 10:30 a.m. in Etna Green United Methodist Church with Pastor Joe Lampton officiating. The family will receive friends from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday in the Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, 115 S. Main St., Bourbon, and for one hour before services in the church on
Thursday. Burial will follow in Etna Green cemetery at Etna Green. The family requests any memorial contributions be made to Kosciusko County Hospice, Etna Green United Methodist Church or Marshall County Humane Society in her memory.

Claude Irvin Tully Jr.
May 23, 1923 – Sept. 1, 2008
Claude Irvin TULLY Jr., 85, Warsaw, died at 9:32 a.m. Monday at Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw.
Capt. Claude I. Tully entered the naval service in 1943 as an Aviation Cadet. He had orders to a Pacific Fleet Fighter Squadron, but with the end of World War II, his orders were changed and he soon reported for duty with the Night Fighter Squadron based at Key West, Fla., and was soon deployed to the Mediterranean. He served in five fighter squadrons, commanding three of them, and later became Commander Carrier Air Wing SIX. He was a Jet Transition Fight Instructor for three years, giving young aviators their first experience in jet aircraft.
At various times in his career, he received training at Monmouth College, University of New Mexico, University of Georgia, Northwestern University, the Navy General Line School and Naval War College.
He served as a ship’s officer aboard two carriers and as squadron fighter pilot aboard five different carriers. After a final two years as Fighter Training Officer on Staff, Commander Fleet Air Force, Jacksonville, he retired after more than 26 years of service, to his family’s home area of Kosciusko County.
He was a customer service representative for R.R. Donnelley and Sons for 19 years.
He was a member of St. Anne’s Episcopal Church, Warsaw; Warsaw Elks Lodge; Warsaw Masonic Lodge No. 73 F. & A.M.
Scottish Rite of Fort Wayne; Mizpah Shrine, Fort Wayne; American Legion Post No. 49; and was a life member of the National Rifle Association.

Survivors include his wife, Betty Lou Tully, Warsaw; two daughters, Michele D. (Ray) Duzan, Rochester, and Alison J. Rowland, Warsaw; four grandchildren, Brett Kneller, Pierceton, Mike Kneller, Warsaw, Cami English, South Bend, Parris (Angie) English, Suffolk, Va.; five great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; one stepdaughter, Julie (Stuart) Watkins, Claypool; one stepson, James (Debra) Ford, Mansfield, Ohio; five stepgrandchildren, Chase and Evan Watkins, Claypool, Cassandra (Kyle P.) Newcomer, Cardington, Ohio, Kyle Ford, Charleston, Ill., and Cristen (Drew) Gilbert, Lexington, Ohio; a stepgreat-granddaughter, Lalaina Newcomer, Cardington, Ohio; and two brothers, Eugene (Gladys) Tully, Fort Wayne, and Luther V. (Wanda) Tully, Lorain, Ohio.

In addition to his first wife, he was preceded in death by two sisters, Mary Tully and Jeanette Perry.

His funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Friday at St. Anne’s Episcopal Church, Warsaw, with Fr. Daniel H. Martins of the church officiating. Visitation will be from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday at the church with a Masonic memorial service at 8 p.m. Military graveside honors will be by the U.S. Navy, assisted by America Legion No. 49 and Veterans of Foreign Wars No. 1126 at Palestine Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the St. Anne’s Episcopal Church, 424 W. Market St., Warsaw, IN 46580. Titus Funeral Home, Warsaw, is handling arrangements.

Cynthia T. Campbell
Cynthia “Cindy” T. CAMPBELL, 53, of Fitzgerald, Ga., died Tuesday, at Dorminy Medical Center.

Funeral services will be held 4 p.m. Thursday at the First Baptist Church in Fitzgerald with Rev. Jim Faircloth and Rev. Kelly Brown officiating. Interment will follow in Evergreen Cemetery. Pallbearers are Larry E. Davis, Brian Gunter, Stevie Harden, William
Henry, Ed Hill and David Hobby. Honorary pallbearers are the Ben
Hill Primary School staff and Cindy Sitters. Visitation will be held
from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesday evening at the funeral home.

Born Sept. 2, 1955, in Rochester, to the late Wilford Harrison
Tribby and the late Kathleen Livingston Tribby, she graduated from
Rochester High School and went on to earn a bachelor’s degree at
Franklin College outside Indianapolis. She received a master’s degree
from Indiana University and educational specialist’s degree from
Valdosta State University.

A teacher for 27 years, she loved her profession and had a
positive impact on many young people in the Fitzgerald area. Mrs.
Campbell was past president of the Fitzgerald Junior Women’s club,
member of the Georgia Association of Educators, The National
Association of Educators, Red Hatters and a faithful member of First
Baptist Church, of Fitzgerald, where she taught Sunday school and
was a member of the Graceseekers Sunday School class.

Cindy was known for her “power shopping” excursions. She
enjoyed traveling, watching the Purple Hurricanes on Friday nights,
fellowshipping with her friends and was a tremendous blessing to her
family.

She is survived by her husband, James H. Campbell of
Fitzgerald; sons and daughter-in-law, James Tyer Campbell and
fiancée Ashley Lee of Naples, Fla., and Ross and Kristin D. Campbell
of Fitzgerald; father-in-law and mother-in-law, J.C. and Mildred M.
Campbell of Fitzgerald; brother-in-law, Roy Campbell of Phoenix,
Ariz.; sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Betty C. and Greg Mercier of
Fitzgerald; one uncle and aunt in Florida and Indiana respectively and
several cousins. Along with her parents, she was preceded in death by
her mother-in-law, Maggie Campbell.

Memorials may be made to the First Baptist Church Memorial
Fund, P.O. Box 367, Fitzgerald, GA 31750, or any melanoma cancer
research group.

To sign the online registry for Cindy Campbell, go to
www.paulkfuneralhome.com. Paulk Funeral Home, Fitzgerald, is in
charge of arrangements.
Thursday, September 4, 2008

Rebecca May Fribley

Rebecca May FRIBLEY, 91, formerly of Argos, died Tuesday at Miller's Merry Manor, Plymouth.

Survivors include daughters, Dorothy Frayer, Fort Wayne, Nellie Turpin, Evansville, Clara Rosebaum, Argos, and Becky Quimby, Argos; sons, Fred Powell, Milford, and Max Fribley, Warsaw; a sister, Irene Baker, Warsaw; and a brother, David Powers, Farmersburg.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos, with visitation from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. today.

Matthew Fred Thompson

Matthew Fred THOMPSON, 29, of 17199 Oak Road, Argos, died at 7:42 p.m. Tuesday at Memorial Hospital, South Bend.

Arrangements are pending at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

Friday, September 5, 2008

Evelyn Elaine Bolen

Evelyn Elaine BOLEN, 17, of 2611 S. 550 West, Warsaw, a junior at Tippecanoe Valley High School, died Wednesday at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Survivors include her parents, Norma and Delbert Bolen, Warsaw; four sisters, Peggy Davis, Warsaw, Norma Hodges, Mentone, Regina Bolen, Claypool, and April Meade, Mentone; and a brother, Noble Bolen, Warsaw.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Monday at Redpath-Fruth Funeral Home, Warsaw, with visitation from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday and 10 a.m. until the service Monday.
Matthew Fred Thompson
March 9-Sept. 2, 2008

Matthew "Matt" Fred THOMPSON, 29, of 17199 Oak Road, Argos, died at 7:42 p.m. Tuesday at Memorial Hospital of South Bend.

Matt died of injuries sustained in a motocross accident at Red Bud race track, Buchanan, Mich., on Monday.

Born in Indianapolis, he was the son of Gregory Lee and Patricia A. (Cherry) Thompson. He earned varsity letters in basketball and golf at Argos High School and graduated with the Class of 1997. He lived most of his life in the Argos community.

He worked for Planetechs at AAR, Indianapolis, where he was an airfram and powerplant mechanic. He belonged to the American Motorcycle Association and Sons of the American Legion Post No. 68, Argos.

Survivors include his mother, Patty Thompson, Indianapolis, a son, Ryley D. Sears, Rochester; his paternal grandfather, Dale V. Thompson, Argos; his maternal grandmother, Dorothy Cherry, Indianapolis; several aunts and uncles; and many cousins.

He was preceded in death by his father, Gregory Thompson, on March 2, 1979; his grandmother, Lois Thompson; and his grandfather, William Fred Cherry Jr.

Friends may visit with the family from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos. Graveside services will follow at Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos. The Rev. Richard Troyer will officiate. A trust fund has been set up for Matt's son Ryley at 1st Source Bank, 518 N. Michigan St., Argos, IN 46501, and envelopes will be available at the funeral home. Electronic condolences may be sent to the family at memorials@earl-grossmanfuneral.com.
Saturday, September 6, 2008

**Ronald Mark Alber**

Ronald Mark ALBER, 64, 4233 E. 300 North, Rochester, died at 5:20 p.m. Friday at his residence.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Monday, September 8, 2008

No Obituaries

Tuesday, September 9, 2008

**Ronald Mark Alber**


Ronald Mark ALBER, 64, of 4233 E. 300 North, Rochester, died at 5:50 p.m. Friday at home.

The son of Thurle and Glendola Cummings Alber, Mark was born in Fulton County and lived his entire life here, except for time he served in the U.S. Navy in Vietnam, 1962-1966.

He married Jill Daulton on Sept. 18, 1993, and she survives at home.

He retired from R.R. Donnelley & Sons Co., Warsaw, after working there 20 years. He was a member of the LeRoy Shelton American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars posts of Rochester.

He enjoyed rabbit and duck hunting.

In addition to his wife, Jill Daulton Alber, he is survived by two daughters, Traci Benzing and husband Michael and Peggy Hurst of Rochester; five sons, Mark Alber and wife Shelly, Warsaw, Paul Alber and wife Holly, Nathan Alber, Dustin Overmyer and wife Robin, and Eric Hammel and wife Valerie, all of Rochester; 16 grandchildren; a sister, Elaina Henry and husband Bruce, Indianapolis; and a brother, Joe Alber, Rochester.
He was preceded in death by his parents.

Per Mark's request, there will be no local visitation or services. He will be buried at sea. Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, is handling arrangements. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

**Gregory R. Gard**
May 28, 1947-Sept. 6, 2008

Gregory R. GARD, age 61, of 788 W. Indiana 14, Rochester, passed away unexpectedly on Saturday, Sept. 6, at 2:47 p.m. in Woodlawn Hospital of an apparent heart attack.

Greg was born the son of Lowell T. Gard and JoHannah Slough Gard on May 28, 1947, at Warsaw. He was a resident of the Rochester area since 1981. He was employed by the City of Rochester and worked for the street department.

Greg was a graduate of Triton High School, Class of 1965. He was active in ABATE of Fulton County and he was known as "Gard Dog." He was also a veteran of the United States Navy and served in Vietnam. His memberships include: Moose Lodge, Eagles Lodge, VFW and American Legion, all of Rochester. He enjoyed and loved motorcycles, animals of all kinds and fishing.

Greg is survived by: Diane Wheadon of Rochester; his four children, Heath and wife Gwenda Gard of Middlebury, Fla., Trina Gard of Bourbon, Laurie Wheadon of Ligonier and Jim Wheadon of Rochester. He was also blessed with three grandchildren, along with his mother, JoHannah Gard of Bourbon, and his two brothers, Jeffery and wife Joyce Gard of New Carlisle, and Eric and wife Janie Gard of Carmel. Greg also has two nieces, a nephew and his beloved dog, "Rail."

He was preceded in death by his father, Lowell, and his sister, Janice, who passed away only a week ago.

A funeral service to celebrate Greg's life will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at Etna Green United Methodist Church with Pastor Joe Lampton officiating. The family will receive friends from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. today in the Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, 115 S. Main St.,
Bourbon, and for one hour before services in the church on Wednesday. Burial will follow in Etna Green Cemetery at Etna Green with military graveside honors. The family requests any memorial contributions be made to ABATE of Fulton County (Toys for Tots) or Hilltop Kennels of Akron in his memory.

**Susan Henderson Meyer**  
May 9, 1938-Sept. 5, 2008

Susan Henderson MEYER, 70, passed away Friday, Sept. 5, 2008, at Hickory Creek nursing home, Rochester.

She was born in Evanston, Ill., May 9, 1938. She spent her early years with her parents, Harvey Dale Henderson and Dorothy Nelson Henderson in Chicago, Ill. At the age of 6, Susan and her family moved to Columbus, Ohio, where her sister, Robin, was born.

The family then moved to St. Louis, Mo., where she finished high school as the valedictorian and made plans for college. She spent one year at Knox College, Galesburg, Ill. Deciding she needed to be closer to home, she returned to St. Louis and entered Washington University for one year. Her last two years she re-entered Knox, joined the Tri-Delta Sorority and made lifelong friends with Tri-Deltas Janet Meyer and Mary Kent. Janet introduced her older brother, Pete Meyer, to Susan beginning a romance that would last more than 47 years.

The couple married and Pete entered the Army Signal Corps, living in Ft. Leonardwood, Mo. After serving, they returned to Knox College to work where Mark, their first son, was born. The growing family moved for a short stay at the University of Illinois, where Pete obtained his master's degree in biology. Soon after, Pete's career as a biologist found them in Hovey Lake, Ind., where a second son, Matt, was born.

Susan and Pete lived in several locations in Indiana, working, raising their family and enjoying their love of wildlife. After their sons moved and began their own families, Susan and Pete retired to their beloved home by the turtle pond in Rochester. Susan was often spotted in the city library as a volunteer and as a driver of the special
needs van in Rochester. A loving wife, mother, daughter and sister, she visited Kiawah Island, S.C., and Hendersonville, N.C., every year for family reunions.

Susan leaves behind her loving husband, Pete Meyer of Rochester; her oldest son Mark, his wife Pon and two granddaughters Molly and Nicha; her youngest son Matt, his wife Karyn and grandson Jacob and granddaughter Kendyll. Her mother, Dorothy, 96, lives in Hendersonville, N.C. Her adoring sister, Robin Henderson Corum, lives with her husband, Ron, in Charlotte, N.C. Susan leaves behind enduring friends Beth Burch, Julia Nesbit, Mary Kent Knight and wonderful sisters-in-law, Gretchen Meyer Law, Janet Meyer Soskin and brother-in-law, David Soskin.

A family memorial service will be held at a later date.

Wednesday, September 10, 2008

Lora Lowe Olmsted
Lora Lowe OLMSTED, 84, of 316 Northgate Circle, Rochester, died Tuesday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

Survivors include her husband, Don Olmsted, Rochester; a son, Stephen Olmsted, Rochester; and a brother, Warren Lowe, Hiawatha, Kansas.

Her funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at the Church of the Nazarene, Rochester, with visitation from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, and one hour prior to the service at the church.

Rosie Owens
Feb. 28, 1913-Sept. 7, 2008

Rosie OWENS, 95, formerly of Silver Lake, died at 7:29 p.m. Sunday at Peabody Healthcare Center, North Manchester.

Born in Prestonsburg, Ky., she was the daughter of Alex and Caroline (Prater) Howard. She married Amos Owens on March 31, 1931, and he died March 2, 1985.
She was a homemaker and farmer and belonged to Gospel Hill Pentecostal Church of God, Silver Lake.

Survivors include her sons, Edward (Faye) Owens, Claypool, Earman (Ivy) Owens, Silver Lake, Earl (Kathy) Owens, Tacoma, Wash., and Ellis (Dee) Owens, Alexandria; daughters, Mrs. Bill (Norma) Meade, South Whitley, Centha McKenzie, Roann, Mrs. Don (Sue) Murphy, South Whitley, Mrs. Larry (Bonnie) Shepherd, North Manchester; a sister-in-law, Irene Howard, Rochester; 29 grandchildren; 54 great-grandchildren and 28 stepgreat-grandchildren; and 16 great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two daughters, Edith Minnix and Juanita Wolford; four brothers and six sisters; three grandsons; one daughter-in-law, two sons-in-law; one half brother and one half sister.

Her funeral service will be at 1 p.m. today at Gospel Hill Pentecostal Church of God, Silver Lake. Visitation was from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday at DeLaughter-McKee Mortuary, North Manchester. Pastor Frank Whitaker will officiate. Burial will be at Graceland Cemetery, Claypool. Condolences may be sent at www.delaughtermckee.com.

Thursday, September 11, 2008

**Lora Lowe Olmsted**
June 4, 1924-Sept. 9, 2008

Lora Lowe OLMSTED, 84, of 316 Northgate Circle, Rochester, died at 8:25 a.m. Tuesday at Life Care Center, Rochester, where she lived since June.

Born in Purcell, Kansas, she was the daughter of Thomas and Gertrude Geer Lowe. She lived in Rochester since April 2005, when she moved from Marion.

She married Rev. Donald "Don" Vincent Olmsted on Aug. 28, 1947, in Willis, Kansas. He survives.

She was a homemaker and pastor's wife. She taught school in Robinson, Kansas and retired from the Wesleyan headquarters in Marion and Indiana Wesleyan University, Marion. She was a member
of Brookhaven Wesleyan Church, Marion, and attended the Church of the Nazarene of Rochester.

Lora enjoyed crocheting and created love gifts of afghans, dolls and scarves for family and special friends. As a talented seamstress she mended for her family. She will be remembered for her thoughtfulness, for sending greeting cards to others for anniversaries, birthdays, during illness and just because.

In addition to her husband, Don Olmsted, Rochester, she is survived by a son, Stephen Olmsted and wife Susan, Rochester; a daughter-in-law, Bonnie (Olmsted) Peterson and husband Dwight, Sturgis, S.D.; grandchildren, Brenda Olmsted, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Hope Eaton and husband John, Fort Wayne, Scott Faricelli and wife Cathy, Tinley Park, Ill., Craig Olmsted, Bismark, N.D., and Candace Foust and husband Shane, Huntington; two great-granddaughters and three great-grandsons; and a brother, Warren Lowe, Hiawatha, Kansas.

She was preceded in death by her parents and two sons, David Olmsted on April 28, 1996, and Daryl Olmsted on Aug. 28, 2001.

A celebration of life for Lora L. Olmsted will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday at the Church of the Nazarene, 1987 Southway 31, Rochester. Friends may visit with Lora's family from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th Street, Rochester, and one hour prior to the service on Saturday. Pastor Gale Janofski and Pastor Don Meyer will officiate her service. Burial will be at IOOF Cemetery, Rochester. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

D. Lisa Shriver Shinn

D. Lisa Shriver SHINN, 51, Phoenix, Ariz., died Friday, Sept. 5.

Survivors include her husband, Ron; daughters, Tricia Tafoya and Leigh Shinn; son, Christopher; and parents, Glenn and Patricia Shriver.
A memorial service will be at 6:30 p.m. Saturday at Desert Christian Fellowship, Phoenix, Ariz. Shadow Mountain Mortuary handled arrangements.

Friday, September 12, 2008

**Everett Smith**

Everett SMITH, 82, of 3377 W. Indiana 110, Rochester, died at 9:30 a.m. Thursday at home.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Lora Lowe Olmsted**

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In addition to her husband, Don Olmsted, Rochester, she is survived by a son, Stephen Olmsted and wife Susan, Rochester; a daughter-in-law, Bonnie (Olmsted) Peterson and husband Dwight,
Sturgis, S.D.; grandchildren, Brenda Olmsted, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Hope Eaton and husband John, Fort Wayne, Scott Faricelli and wife Cathy, Tinley Park, Ill., Craig Olmsted, Bismark, N.D., and Candace Foust and husband Shane, Huntington; two great-granddaughters and three great-grandsons; and a brother, Warren Lowe, Hiawatha, Kansas.

She was preceded in death by her parents and two sons, David Olmsted on April 28, 1996, and Daryl Olmsted on Aug. 28, 2001.

A celebration of life for Lora L. Olmsted will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday at the Church of the Nazarene, 1987 Southway 31, Rochester. Friends may visit with Lora's family from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th Street, Rochester, and one hour prior to the service on Saturday. Pastor Gale Janofski and Pastor Don Meyer will officiate her service. Burial will be at IOOF Cemetery, Rochester. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Saturday, September 13, 2008

Robert J. Berns

Robert J. BERNS, 72, Lafayette, formerly of Rochester, died Tuesday at Indiana University Medical Center.

Survivors include his wife, Geri Hittle Berns; a daughter, Julie Sloma, Carmel; a son, R. John Berns, Williamsburg, Va.; a brother, David T. Berns, Cleveland, Ohio; and two sisters, Carol Coursey, Petosky, Mich., and Virginia Tarney, Newark, Conn.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Monday at Hahn-Groeber Funeral Home, Lafayette, with visitation one hour prior to the service.

Everett Smith Jr.

June 23, 1926-Sept. 11, 2008

Everett SMITH Jr., 82, of 3377 W. Indiana 110, Rochester, died at 9:30 a.m. Thursday at home.

He was born on June 23, 1926, in Bloomington, the son of Everett and Cassie Mae (Kerr) Smith.
Everett served our country with the U.S. Army during World War II. As part of the invasion force second wave, his platoon occupied Germany until 1946. After his return to Monroe County, he began working for Indiana University. Everett visited Purdue University during late fall and, impressed by this higher learning institution, decided to enroll during the spring semester. A student in the agricultural program, he graduated with great pride as a member of the Class of 1950. After graduation, he entered his chosen profession as a tenant farmer in Tippecanoe County.

He married Joanna Brashaber on Sept. 2, 1949, in Bloomington. In 1961, Everett, Joanna and their family settled in northwestern Fulton County. He was hired as farm manager for Indian Hill Farms. Opportunity beckoned in 1965 and the Smiths purchased their first farm ground in Richland Township. They accumulated additional ground over the years. They proudly bred and maintained a fine herd of registered Black Angus. Their farm crops included corn, soybeans, wheat and hay.

Each year, Everett and Joanna planted a large vegetable garden and sweet corn in the field nearest their home. They looked forward to sharing the harvest with family and special friends. Flower gardens embraced their home; they planted 600-700 Gladiolus bulbs annually. Everett introduced about 12 new varieties annually to complement his existing gardens. He delighted in sharing the striking bouquets of Glads with friends and neighbors as a random act of kindness. A mushroom hunter, Everett had an eye for finding these delectable treats of spring.

In addition to his busy life with family and on the farm, Everett made many contributions to our community as a public servant. He was a Fulton County Commissioner for eight years and served on the Woodlawn Hospital Board of Trustees for nearly 12 years, the Emergency Medical Service Board, and the Farm Bureau Board of Directors. His other memberships included Grace United Methodist Church since 1961, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, American Legion and the Fulton County Historical Society.
His voice was heard as past president of the Indiana Angus Association and life member of the American Angus Association. Everett served the Fulton County 4-H Fair Board as president for 24 years. In his honor, the exhibit building was named for him. Everett will be remembered for his many contributions, making our county a better place to live.

He leaves behind his loving wife, adoring children and grandchildren, his fellow farmers and his community associates to cherish his memory.

Survivors include his wife, Joanna Smith, at home; a daughter, Lael George and husband David, Indianapolis; three sons, Tom E. Smith, Rochester, Greg Smith and wife Audrey, Anderson, and Marc Smith and wife Jennifer, Philadelphia, Pa.; eight grandchildren, Katherine, Rachel and Stephen George of Indianapolis, Andy, Tony and Angela Smith of Anderson, and Reed and Lily Smith of Philadelphia; a sister, Joan Kennedy and husband Don, Mt. Comfort; and four brothers, Ross Smith and wife Ruth, Bloomington, Richard Smith and wife Ann, Washington, James Smith and wife Joan, Walpole, N.H., and John Smith and wife Kay, Campbellsburg.

He was preceded in death by his parents and three sisters, Mary Frances Smith, Marie Conrad and Ruth Libkie.

A celebration of the life of Mr. Everett Smith will be at 10 a.m. Monday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St. (Indiana 14 West), Rochester. Pastor Maurice Grindle will officiate his service. Burial will be in Richland Center IOOF Cemetery. Friends may visit with Everett's family from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday and one hour prior to the service. The Richland Center IOOF will provide a memorial service at 7:30 p.m. Sunday. Preferred memorials in lieu of flowers may be made to Grace United Methodist Church, The Fulton County 4-H Association or the Woodlawn Hospital Building Fund. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.
Gilbert E. Weller
Feb. 10, 1924-Sept. 11, 2008

Gilbert Eugene WELLER, 84, of 921 Park St., Rochester, died at 11:11 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 11, at Life Care Center, Rochester.

Gilbert was born Feb. 10, 1924, in St. Joseph County to Rolland H. and Fern Awald Weller. He had resided in Rochester since 1959, moving from Kewanna.

He married Betty Louise Wentzel on Aug. 28, 1948, at Bruce Lake. They recently celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary.

Gilbert was a Standard Oil agent in Kewanna, Fulton and Rochester for 20 years. He also worked at Sealed Power Corporation and Heishman's Bakery. He was a past member of the Civil Air Patrol, Rochester Lions Club, Kewanna Odd Fellows, Kewanna Fire Department and Grace United Methodist Church.

He enjoyed riding motorcycles for many years, but gave it up after a serious accident in the 1980s. He also enjoyed reading, woodworking and spending time with his grandsons.

In addition to his wife, Betty L. Weller, he is survived by two daughters, Tonia Weller and husband Michael Kenny and Kathy L. Furnivall and husband Rick of Rochester; two grandsons, James Furnivall of Elkhart and Jeffrey Furnivall and wife Ashley of Rochester; one great-grandson, Braydn Jeffrey Furnivall of Rochester; a sister, Betty Godfrey of Lafayette; and nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Virginia; and a brother, Frederick.

A funeral service to celebrate Gilbert's life will be at 2 p.m. Monday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation will be at the funeral home on Sunday from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. and one hour prior to the service on Monday. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com. The family requests memorials other than flowers be made to the Alzheimer's Foundation with envelopes for that purpose available at the funeral home.
Monday, September 15, 2008

**Chester L. Ness**

Chester L. NESS, 66, Francisville, Ill., died Thursday at home. He was born in Kewanna.

Survivors include a son; two brothers, Tom Ness of Rochester and Dale Ness of Long Beach, Calif.; and three sisters, Wilma Harvey of Rochester, Lorraine Gray, Camden, and Betty Smith, Tulsa, Okla.

His funeral service will be at 10 a.m. today at Cunningham Funeral Home, Francisville, Ill., with visitation two hours prior to the service.

**Kenneth L. Ryman**

Kenneth L. RYMAN, 89, Winona Lake, formerly of Warsaw, died Sunday at Grace Village Healthcare Facility.

Arrangements are pending at King Memorial Home, Mentone, Indiana.

Tuesday, September 16, 2008

**Emerson C. 'Mike' Leslie**

July 2, 1922-Sept. 14, 2008

Emerson C. "Mike" LESLIE, age 86, Logansport, passed away at 4:40 p.m. Sunday at Howard Regional Health System, Kokomo.

Born on July 2, 1922, in Wolcott, he was the son of Clarence and Lydia (Oberlander) Leslie.

He was married on May 17, 1967, in Niles, Mich., to Gertrude Wilson, who survives.

Mike was a retired Sears Roebuck sales representative.

He is also survived by three sons, Roger (Joyce) Leslie, Charles (Linda) Leslie and Keith Leslie (companion Diane Campbell), all of Logansport; stepdaughters, Gayle Griffith, Atlanta, Ga., and Dayle Maggart, Huntertown; a stepson, Rick Wilson, Knoxville, Tenn.; sisters, Ruby Sider, Mexico, Alma Houser, Delphi, Norma (Marvin)
Klingerman, Plymouth, and Edie Shafer, Peru; nine grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Kenneth Leslie, and a sister, Faye Leslie.

His funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Thursday at Kroeger Funeral Home, 711 E. Market St., Logansport, with Pastor Doug Ohime and Father Ted Neidlinger officiating. Burial will be at Ever-Rest Memorial Park. Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to Trinity Episcopal Church. Condolences and personal remembrances may be left online at www.kroegerfuneralhome.com.

**Chester L. Ness**

Jan. 10, 1942-Sept. 11, 2008

Chester "Chet" L. NESS, 66, of St. Francisville, Ill., died Thursday at home.

He was born Jan. 10, 1942, in Kewanna to Roy E. and Lillian E. (Button) Ness.

Chester served our country in the U.S. Army. He was a retired mechanical pipefitter and member of the Eagles Lodge and Steelworkers Union. Chester enjoyed gardening, hunting, fishing, target shooting, tinkering with his old Lincoln automobiles and spending time with his son and grandson.

Survivors include his son, Chester L. Ness Jr.; his grandson, Chester L. Ness III; two brothers, Tom and Carol Ness of Rochester and Dale and Virginia Ness of Long Beach, Calif.; three sisters, Wilma and husband Shorty Harvey of Rochester, Lorraine and husband Merle Gray of Camden, and Betty and husband James Smith of Tulsa, Okla.

Chester was preceded in death by his father in 1954 and his mother in 2003; two brothers, Vernal R. Ness and Sherrill L. Ness, both of Rochester; and one sister, Irma "Jody" M. Johnson of Grass Creek.

A memorial service was held at 10 a.m. on Monday, Sept. 15, at Cunningham Funeral Home, St. Francisville, Ill.
Kenneth L. Ryman
June 29, 1919-Sept. 14, 2008

Kenneth L. RYMAN, 89, formerly of Warsaw, and more recently of Grace Village healthcare facility, passed at 3:15 p.m. Sunday at Grace Village, Winona Lake. He also lived in the Atwood, Mentone and Akron area.

Born in Atwood, he was the son of Roy and Pearl (Huffman) Ryman. He married Pauline Holloway on Oct. 3, 1942 in Akron. She preceded him in death on Feb. 2, 2000.

A retired carpenter, he worked for Miller and Sons, Silver Lake, and Laminated Rafters, Warsaw.

He enjoyed growing flowers and gardening over the years. He attended Warsaw Wesleyan Church until he was unable due to health problems.

Survivors include four sons, Jerry Ryman and wife Cheryl, Warsaw, Robert Ryman, Spartanburg, S.C., Fred Ryman and wife Mary, Fort Wayne, and Douglas Ryman and wife Vonda, Claypool; eight grandchildren, Angela and Randy Heinsman, Nicole and Matt Dick, Ben Ryman, Jared Ryman, Jennifer and Karl Gueber, Alisha Ryman, Michael Ryman and Matt Ryman; eight great-grandchildren; and a sister, Laura Belle Roberts, Atwood.

In addition to his wife, Pauline Ryman, he was preceded in death by a son; his sister, Marcella McKibbin; and a brother, Lester Ryman.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone, with the Rev. Wanda Carter officiating. Burial will be at Harrison Center Cemetery, Etna Green. Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. today at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to Kosciusko Home Care and Hospice, Warsaw. Condolences may be sent online at www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.
Frances Allene Biddinger
July 16, 1912-Sept. 16, 2008

Frances Allene BIDDINGER, 96, of Life Care Center, 827 W. 13th Street, Rochester, passed away at 10:15 a.m. Tuesday at Life Care Center.

She was born on July 16, 1912, in Newcastle Township, Fulton County, the daughter of Otis and Faye (Poenix) Emmons. On July 27, 1933, in Rochester, she married Kermit D. Biddinger. He preceded her in death on June 18, 1971.

Mrs. Biddinger had been a homemaker and, along with her husband, farmed and raised purebred hogs. She was a member of the Bethlehem Baptist Church, where she played organ and piano and taught Sunday School. She was a past president of the Fulton County Federation of Clubs, which led the landscape project of the Fulton County Courthouse, and the Pleasant Valley Club. She was also a member of the Talma Farmer's Institute, Democrat Women's Club, served on the board of directors for the Fulton County Public Library, served as vice president of the Fulton County Board of Health, and helped coordinate the relief efforts for Talma after the 1974 tornado. Mrs. Biddinger was an avid reader and enjoyed music.

Survivors include her son, Virgil and wife Phyllis Biddinger, Rochester; grandsons, Todd Biddinger, Rochester, Eric and wife Sarah Biddinger, Rochester; great-granddaughter, Cora Allene Biddinger, Rochester. She was preceded in death by her parents and infant granddaughter, Rita Biddinger.

Funeral services will be conducted at 10:30 a.m. Friday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with the Revs. Phil Pratt and Junior Bose officiating. Friends may call from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday and one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Burial will be in the Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester. Memorial contributions may be made to the Bethlehem Baptist Church, Fulton County Public Library or the Democrat Women's Club. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.
Richard Oren Burns

Richard Oren BURNS, 88, formerly of Denver, passed away at 1:15 p.m. Monday at Caring Hands Health Center, Peru.

Born Jan. 1, 1920, in Miami County, he was the son of Verl and Ruth A. Imhoof Burns.

On Feb. 13, 1943, in Peru, he was married to Nola Emlin Cammack, and she preceded him in death on June 1, 2001.

A devoted Christian, he was a member of the Denver Baptist Church. A U.S. Army Air Force veteran, he served during World War II in Burma, China and India. He retired in 1985 from the Miami County Highway Department after 25 years of service. Known as a Patriotic Person, he was influential in establishing a monument in Denver in honor of the town's veterans. He was a loving father and never met a stranger. He made his TV debut when Biff Henderson of the David Letterman Show came to Denver and interviewed him at the Denver Café.

Surviving are three daughters, Barbara E. Mikesell and husband Wade L., Rochester, Sharon R. Hartzell, Winchester, Jayne M. Walker and husband John L., Peru; eight grandchildren, Elaine Howdeshell, Carl Hartzell, Richard Mikesell, David Hartzell, Holly Alber, Jennifer Musser, Scott Hartzell and Janet Lowe; 12 great-grandchildren; one brother, Ed Burns, Denver; and three sisters, Mary Louise Day, Peru, Regina Vigar, Rochester, and Louella Davis, Wabash.

Two brothers, Victor and Robert Burns, and a son-in-law, Ronald Hartzell, preceded him in death.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Friday at the Denver Baptist Church, Denver, with Rev. Steve Bate officiating. Burial will be in Westlawn Cemetery, Denver. Friends may call from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver. Memorials may be made to the Denver Baptist Church.
Thursday, September 18, 2008

**Wilbur Dean McCroskey**

Wilbur Dean McCROSKEY, 81, Fulton, died at his residence. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Fulton.

**Marian Kastner Nickels**

Feb. 21, 1943-Sept. 16, 2008

Marian Kastner NICKELS, 65 years old, of Bartonville, Ill., died at home at 10:27 a.m. on Tuesday.

She was born Feb. 21, 1943, in South Bend, to Herman and Madge (Reed) Kastner. She married Jack L. Nickels on Dec. 19, 1964, and he survives.

She is also survived by one daughter, Laura Lee Nickels of Pekin, Ill., and one son, Kevin Michael, his wife Elizabeth, and four grandchildren, John, Mark, Margaret and Katherine of San Antonio, Texas; three sisters, Kathleen (Thomas) McLaughlin of Bowling Green, Ohio, Patricia (Michael) Verlodt of Wonder Lake, Ill., Margaret Kastner, Lewisburg, Pa.; and two brothers, Michael (Marci) Kastner of St. Joseph, Mich., and Timothy (Joan) Kastner of Pine City, N.Y. She also leaves several nieces and nephews.

Marian graduated from St. Joseph High School and South Bend College of Commerce, both in South Bend. She worked at Aetna Life Insurance Co. in South Bend, Tri-State College and Moore Business Forms in Angola, as a bookkeeper for many years. Later, she was involved in Girl Scouts in the Sagamore Council in Lafayette as a troop leader and day camp director and council trainer. She enjoyed reading, counted cross stitch, traveling and playing with her grandchildren.

She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Pekin, where a funeral mass will be held for her on Friday at 11 a.m. Father Timothy Nolan will officiate. Visitation will be at Abts Mortuary in Pekin, Ill., today from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. with a wake service at 7 p.m. Graveside services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Fulton...
Cemetery in Fulton. In lieu of flowers, you can make donations to the American Kidney Foundation or St. Joseph Church, Pekin, Ill. Arrangements have been entrusted to Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Fulton. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

Friday, September 19, 2008

**Ester D. Shepherd**

Ester Darline 'Sis' SHEPHERD, 56, Rochester, died Thursday at 4675 Boicourt.

She is survived by her husband, Randy Shepherd, and one son, Travis Dail; three brothers, LeRoy Karn, Delong, Eugene Karn, South Bend, Darvin Karn, Florida, and one sister, Patricia Kuykendoll, Delong.

Her funeral service is at 1 p.m. Monday at Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver. Visitation will be at Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday and one hour prior to service.

**Wilbur Dean McCroskey**

Wilbur Dean McCROSKEY 81, 601 N. Wright St., Fulton, passed away at his residence.

He was born on April 23, 1927 in Fulton County, the son of William Clifford and Cora Isabelle (Surface) McCroskey.

Mr. McCroskey had been a farmer, was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II and had been a member of the Fulton United Methodist Church.

Survivors include his daughter, Connie Jean and husband Jim Miller, Louisville, Ky., son, Jeffery Dean and wife Cathy McCroskey, Rochester, seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his sister, Anna Marie Borden.

Graveside services will be conducted at Salem Cemetery, northwest of Fulton at 10 a.m. Saturday September 20, 2008 with Rev. Tim Rentschler officiating, followed by burial.
contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society. Arrangements are by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Fulton. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

Saturday, September 20, 2008

Earl D. Floor
Nov. 16, 1916-Sept. 19, 2008

Earl D. FLOOR, 91, formerly of Akron, passed away at 5:30 a.m. Friday at Mason Healthcare, Warsaw, where he was a resident.

Born in Wabash County, he was the son of Ralph E. and Marie (Ihnen) Floor. On Oct. 12, 1935, he married June A. Smith in Wabash. She passed away on June 9, 1975. He married Edna Harmon on Nov. 12, 1975, in Rochester, and she passed away on March 2, 2006.

He worked for 36 years at General Tire, Wabash, and retired in 1976. He was also a farmer and milked dairy cattle for many years. He drove a school bus for Tippecanoe Valley School Corp. and attended Rose Hill Baptist Church, Silver Lake.

Survivors include four daughters, Deloris and Max Thompson, Claypool, Joan and Jim Bucher, Akron, Karen and Bennie French, Claypool, and Sharon Floor, Akron; two sons, Larry L. and Ann Floor, Akron, and Michael and Claudette Floor, Dryden, N.Y.; two sisters, Grace and Harlen Thompson, Arcadia, and Ruth Rudo, Muncie; a stepdaughter, Lois and Larry Scott, Warsaw; a stepson, Harold Harmon, Atco, N.J.; 23 grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren; and six great-great-grandchildren.

He was also preceded in death by a granddaughter, Jody French, and five brothers, Carl, Richard, Harold, Ralph Jr. and Eugene Floor.

His funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Monday at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with the Rev. Lowell Burrus officiating. Burial will be at Akron Cemetery, Akron. Visitation will be from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to Olive Branch Church of God, Roann, or
Merle 'Shorty' Cox
July 13, 1936-Sept. 18, 2008

Services for Merle "Shorty" COX, 72, Kewanna, will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, 123 E. Main St., Kewanna.

He died at 9:33 p.m. Thursday at St. Joseph Regional Hospital, South Bend.

Born July 13, 1936, in Thornhope, he was the son of the late Francis Leslie and Leona (Tharp) Cox.

Shorty was a veteran of the United States Army. He owned and operated his own business, Shorty & Sons Disposal Service, for many years.

He was a wonderful man and you could call him anything but selfish. He gave his life for his family and his friends. He will be truly missed.

He was a member of Delong Gospel Lighthouse Church, Delong, and Eagles Lodge No. 2580, Winamac. Shorty enjoyed riding his Harley.

Survivors include his wife, Tammy (Reynolds) Cox, Kewanna; two daughters, Tewanna Smith of Rochester and Maxine Cox of Kewanna; five sons, Cameron Lipscomb of Owensboro, Ky., Terry Murray and his wife Tina of Kyle, Texas, Merle "Jr" Pierce of Kewanna, Douglas Cox and his wife Jessica, and Charles Mounce, all of Macy; and 13 grandchildren. He also helped raise two foster sons, Tim Minnor of Winamac and Bernie Hawkey of Missouri.

Friends may call from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday at the funeral home and one hour prior to the service Tuesday. Burial with full military rites will be conducted at Bruce Lake Cemetery with Pastor Floyd G. Allen officiating. Online condolences may be made to the family at www.harrisonmetzger.com.
Lois Jarrell  
Lois JARRELL, 79, died at 12:40 p.m. Friday at Pilgrim Manor, 222 Parkview St., Plymouth.  
Arrangements are pending at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

Monday, September 22, 2008

Carl E. Eiler  
Carl E. EILER, 73, formerly of 109 Broadway St., Argos, died Saturday at Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth.  
Survivors include two daughters, Lavonne Randall, Omaha, Neb., and Darle Kenz, Argos; three sons, Lamar Eiler, Argos, Darrell Eiler, Plymouth and Kerry Eiler, Mentone; two sisters, Elnora Shidler, Goshen, and Vera Chanley, Logansport; and three brothers, Harley Eiler, Elwood, Earl Eiler, Kokomo, an Floyd Eiler, Mississippi.  
His funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Argos Bible Church with visitation from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

Lois M. Jarrell  
Lois M. JARRELL, 79, formerly of 6291 17th Road, Argos, died Friday at Pilgrim Manor nursing home, Plymouth.  
Survivors include a son, Tommy Harold Mitchell Sr., Argos.  
Her graveside service will be at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday at Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos, Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos, is handling arrangements.

Phillip Eugene ‘Gene’ Melton  
Phillip Eugene “Gene” MELTON, 74, of 263 W. Olson Road, Rochester, died at 3:20 a.m. Saturday at Munson Medical Center, Traverse City, Mich., where he was a patient for two weeks.
Born in McRoberts, Ky., he was the son of Bernard and Sylvia Skidmore Melton. His family moved from McRoberts to Rochester when he was 5 years old.

Gene was a proud member of the Rochester High School Class of 1952. Soon after graduation, he answered the call of his country, serving with the U.S. Air Force from 1952-1956. After returning home from Taiwan, he began his tenure with the Rochester Fire Department. His career as a professional firefighter spanned just over three decades. From 1980-1987, he served our department as chief. He regarded his colleagues as sons and brothers and many times could be found in the kitchen or on the grill cooking a variety of wild meats for their evening dinner. Locals will also remember him working for Burton Plumbing & Heating, AIRVAC and Fulton County Beverage over the years.

Gene married Sharyn “Shari” Robison on June 8, 1991, at First Christian Church, Rochester. She survives at home.

A noted nature lover and man of all seasons, Gene was an avid mushroom hunter, scouring undisclosed area locations. He also ventured to Wisconsin, Michigan and the U.P., joyously recovering pounds of these delectable treats he would share with his family and special friends. He enjoyed all types of hunting – rabbit, squirrel and river turtles. With great pride, Gene remembered being in the company of grandson Evan, when he bagged his first deer.

Gene taught his grandsons and nephews about nature. Whether it was a lesson on hunting protocol or tree identification, he was ready to share his knowledge. Annually, Gene and Shari planted a truck patch garden. Flanking the gardens was part of Gene’s reforestation efforts – an array of fruit trees including cherry, peach, pear and various apples. At harvest time for all fruits and vegetables they shared their bounty with neighbors, friends and family. Gene annually planted a variety of gladiolus, day lilies and tulips in gardens surrounding their home. These beautiful flowers exploded with color during the late spring until late autumn.

When the grandchildren sang in music programs, Gene was there to support them. He was always there cheering at baseball and
football games. Many will remember his spirited enthusiasm as he expressed, “Attack the ball!” to the defensive teams. Gene leaves behind his loving wife, his children and grandchildren who adore him, fellow firefighters and friends to cherish the memories of the many good times they shared.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by three daughters, Tomi Brock and husband Ron, Mitzi Burton and husband Craig, all of Rochester, and Anjanette Grosvenor and fiancé Michael Paul, Atlanta, Ga.; two sons, Doug Biggs and wife Kelley, Rochester, and Gregg Biggs and wife Robin, New Palestine; nine grandchildren, Evan, Ivy and Shannon Brock, Abbagail and Katie Burton, Katelyn and Jadyn Biggs, Graham and Avery Biggs; one great-grandson, Ethan Brock; three brothers, Thomas Melton and wife Eileen, Donathon, Mo., Kenneth Melton, Copnish, Mich., and Harold Melton, Indianapolis; a sister-in-law, Mary Melton, Rochester; three special nephews, Mark Melton, Greg Melton and Danny Melton, and numerous other nieces, nephews and cousins; and his canine companion, Sassy, his loving terrier.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Vandetta Nickells and husband Harvey; two brothers, Curtis Melton and Albert Melton; and granddaughter Aaryn Marie Biggs on Sept. 20, 1996.

A celebration of life for Mr. Phillip “Gene” Melton will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., (Indiana 14 West), Rochester. Gene’s brother, Mr. Thomas Melton, and RFD chaplain Bill Chappel will host his service. He will be laid to rest at Rochester’s IOOF Cemetery. Full fireman’s honors will be accorded by the Rochester Fire Department and fellow firemen of our region. Military graveside rites will be conducted by the LeRoy Shelton American Legion Post and by the Manitou VFW Post. Friends may visit with his family from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday and one hour prior to the service. Preferred memorials in lieu of flowers may be made to the Rochester Fire Department, Fulton County Hunters Education or the American Diabetes Association. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.
Ruth A. (Armstrong) Severns

Ruth A. (Armstrong) SEVERNS, 92, Anderson, died Saturday at Community Hospital, Anderson, following an extended illness.

Born in Summitville, she was the daughter of Perry and Anna (Gardner) Armstrong. She lived in Rochester for 27 years, Summitville and Anderson for the balance of her lifetime.

Ruth was a homemaker and member of the Alexandria Church of the Nazarene. She enjoyed needlework, sewing and crocheting. She loved to share her handiwork with family and friends alike.

She is survived by two daughters, Rita (Donald) Golden, Anderson, and Joyce (Charles) Hight, Alexandria; a sister, Velma Elsworth, Anderson; a daughter-in-law, Sue Castor, Fort Myers Fla.; nine grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren; 10 great-great-grandchildren; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband of 27 years, Orville Severns, in 1994; a son, Max Castor, in 2008.

Her funeral service will be at noon Tuesday at Owens Funeral Home, 412 N. Harrison St., Alexandria, with Pastor Mark Diemer of Alexandria Church of the Nazarene officiating. Cremation will follow the service. Family and friends are invited to the interment service at 1 p.m. Saturday at IOOF Cemetery, Rochester. Friends may call at the Owens Funeral Home after 9 a.m. Tuesday, prior to the service. Memorials may be made to the Alexandria Church of the Nazarene through the funeral home.

The family would like to extend their appreciation and heartfelt thanks to the nursing stall of 3 South at Community Hospital–Anderson. Dr. R. Kelly Chambers, Community VNA Hospice and Community Northview Care Center.

Online condolences: owensmemorialservices.com.

Jane Tippy

Nola Jane TIPPY, 72, Kokomo, went to be with the Lord at 3:55 a.m. Saturday at St. Joseph Hospital, Kokomo.
She was born Jan. 15, 1936, in Plymouth, the daughter of Russell and Clara (McGowan) Mikels. On June 12, 1960, she married John R. Tippy, who preceded her in death on June 5, 1974.

Jane attended Rochester High School and graduated in 1975 from the Kokomo School of Nursing. She was employed as a nurse at St. Joseph Hospital from 1976-1992 and worked as a nurse at the Howard County Jail from 1992 until her retirement in 1994.

She enjoyed opera and reading, especially the Bible.

She is survived by two daughters, Abigail Bell of Kokomo and Rebecca Tippy and her husband Howard Abrams of Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.; one sister, Sue Ann Beattie of Fort Myers, Fla.; one brother, Michael D. Mikels and his wife Victoria of LightHouse Point Fla.; one stepgrandson, Evan Abrams, a student at Indiana University; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; and one sister, Claretta Shepherd; and her beloved grandson, Jonathan Bell.

Her funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Shirley & Stout Funeral Home, Jefferson Street Chapel, 414 W. Jefferson St., Kokomo. Burial will follow in Kokomo Memorial Park Cemetery. Friends are invited to call from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. today at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to the Guardian Angel Hospice Foundation. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home. Messages of condolence may be left online at www.shirleyandstout.com

Tuesday, September 23, 2008

No Obituaries

Wednesday, September 24, 2008

Stephen I. Ramer

Stephen I. RAMER, 10, of 7968 N. 350 East, Rochester, died Tuesday at home. He was ill since January.
Survivors include his parents, Luke and Verna Ramer; two sisters, Lora and Lucy Ramer; and two brothers, Leonard and Floyd Ramer. Other local survivors include his paternal grandparents, Ben and Verna Ramer of Rochester.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Friday at Tippecanoe Old Order Mennonite Church in Newcastle Township. Visitation will be from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. today and 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday in the family’s home. Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, is handling arrangements.

Thursday, September 25, 2008

Marilyn Jean Hasenauer

Marilyn Jean HASENAUER, 77, of Canandaigua, N.Y., died Sunday in Canandaigua.

She was the daughter of the late Robert Bruce Wilson and Nettie Blum Wilson Bednarz of Macy.

Survivors include her husband, Raymond J. Hasenauer; a son, Michael; and daughters, Christine, Barbara, Jacqueline, Nancy.

Services, handled by Johnson-Kennedy Funeral Home, were at 10 a.m. today in Canandaigua.

Lester L. Parris

Lester L. PARRIS, 48, Plymouth, died Monday of cancer at St. Joseph Regional Hospital, Plymouth.

Survivors include his wife, Rebecca McKee Parris, Plymouth; daughters, Tanya Pine, Rochester, Cheryl Bowyer, Mentone, Christina Rhoads and Peggy Guzzo, Plymouth, Rebecca Trayer, Martinsbrug, W.V., Lori Whittington, Dayton, Tenn.; sons, Jamie Guzzo, Rochester, and Tom Guzzo Culver; his mother, Mary Brown, West Dover, Vt.; sisters, Brenda Holden, Wilmington, Vt., and Sharon Cox of Massachusetts; and a brother, Clark Parris, Wilmington, Vt.

Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, is handling arrangements. Family memorial services will be held in Rochester and in Vermont.
Stephen I. Ramer
Additional visitation for Stephen I. RAMER, 10, Rochester, who died Tuesday due to a brain tumor, will be 9:30 a.m. Friday at Tippecanoe Old Order Mennonite Church in Newcastle Township prior to the 10 a.m. service.
Visitation is also from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. today at his home, 7968 N. 350 East. He is the son of Luke and Verna Ramer.
Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, is handling arrangements.

Friday, September 26, 2008

Joyce Marie Confer
Joyce Marie CONFER, 77, Mexico, died Wednesday at Miller’s Merry Manor, Peru.
Survivors include four children, Debra Barnes, Macy, Michael Confer, Lowell, Mich., Danny Confer, Mexico and Barb Hoover, Peru; a brother, Terry Malott, Arkansas; and a sister, Jeanie Baker, Deedsville.
Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver, with visitation from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. today.

Bradley John Pedigo
Bradley John PEDIGO, 46, Danville, died of leukemia on Monday.
Survivors include his wife, Kathy; a son, Jonathan; a daughter, Katie; his mother, Gay; sisters, Kim, Kathy and Kriss; and a brother, Bob. His father, the late Robert Pedigo, was Rochester High School head football coach in the 1960s and 1970s.
Services will be at 7:30 p.m. Saturday at Flanner & Buchanan Funeral Cetner, Speedway, with visitation from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday.
Willis E. Fouts
July 26, 1921-Sept. 23, 2008
Willis E. FOUTS, 87, of Sebring, Fla., passed away Tuesday, Sept. 23, 2008, in Sebring.
He was born July 26, 1921, to Frank and Beulah (Curtis) Fouts in Macy, and had been a resident of Sebring since 1982, coming from Macy. He was a Postmaster for the U.S. Government, a veteran of World War II, who served in the U.S. Army, and a member of the Brethren Church.
He was also a member for more than 60 years of the Masonic Lincoln Lodge No. 523 in Macy, where he was a past Master; York Rite in Sebring; the Highlands County Chapter No. 64 R.A.M. for more than 55 years and was a past High Priest. For more than 45 years, he was a member of the Heartland Council No. 43 R&SM; Bartow Commandery No. 15 K.T. for more than 45 years; the York Rite College No. 31 in Orlando, Fla.; The High Twelve Club No. 575 in Avon Park, Fla.; the Egypt Temple Shrine in Tampa, Fla.; OES No. 65 for more than 45 years, where he was past Patron, and the past Commander of VFW No. 1343 in Rochester, where he was a charter member since 1946.
Mr. Fouts is survived by his son, Stanley D. Fouts, Sebring; grandchildren, Cathy Treloar and Steven Fouts; and three great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife, Audria E. (Norman) Fouts; daughter, Virginia Stephenson; brother, Harold Fouts; and sister, Marjorie Fields.
Cremation arrangements have been entrusted to: Stephenson-Nelson Funeral Home, Sebring, FL 33870, 863-385-0125.

Robert D. McKillip
Oct. 12, 1927-Sept. 25, 2008
Robert D. McKILLIP, 80, of Wabash died at 4:40 p.m. Thursday at his home.
He was born Oct. 12, 1927, in Wabash County to Alvin and Amanda (Shinn) McKillip.

Bob married Betty J. Roser in Converse on Oct. 19, 1947. He was a 1945 graduate of Chippewa High School. He was a retired farmer and past president of McKillip Seed Company and had a lifetime of involvement in the seed corn business, 1947-2008. Bob was a member and former deacon of Bachelor Creek Church of Christ and a member of the Hanna Masonic Lodge, both of Wabash. He was a former member of the Wabash County Plan Commission. Bob was a volunteer fireman and helped establish the Noble Township Fire Department. He was a 49-year member of the Credit Committee at Beacon Credit Union and was a World War II Army veteran.

He is survived by his wife, Betty J. McKillip of Wabash; three children, Michael D. (Debra) McKillip of Wabash, Marvin D. (Darlene) McKillip of Milton, Fla., and Mina (Ken) Manns of Wabash; two brothers, Jack E. (Judy) McKillip and Ken D. McKillip, both of Wabash; two sisters, Beulah Lilves and Jean Myers, both of Wabash; a sister-in-law, Lois McKillip of Wabash; six grandchildren, Michelle (Mitch) Snyder of Wabash, Angela (Brian) Monahan of Philadelphia, Pa., Nicole (Brian) Hoffman of Wabash, Courtney (Lorena) McKillip of Marion, Ashlie Manns and Marcy Manns, both of Wabash; and six great-grandchildren, Jacob Robert Snyder, Benjamin Snyder, Tristan Hoffman and Callie Hoffman, all of Wabash, Mya McKillip and Jazzlyne McKillip, both of Marion. He was preceded in death by his brother, James D. McKillip, who died June 26, 2008.

Funeral services will be held at Bachelor Creek Church of Christ, 2147 N. Indiana 15, Wabash, at 10:30 a.m. Monday with John Leinbaugh officiating. Burial will be in Falls Cemetery, Wabash. Friends may call from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 1241 Manchester Ave., Wabash, and one hour prior to the service Monday at the church. Preferred memorial is Wabash-Miami Home Healthcare and Hospice, 710 N. East St., Wabash. The memorial guestbook for Robert may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com.
Robert Denton
Robert DENTON, 82, of 502 S. Logan, Kewanna, died at 2:26 p.m. Sunday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.
Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Colleen Felabom
March 23, 1927–Sept. 27, 2008
After an eight-month battle with colon cancer, Colleen FELABOM, 81, North Manchester, succumbed at the Visiting Nurse and Hospice Home, Fort Wayne, and ascended into Heaven on Saturday to be with her Heavenly Father and join her worldly father, mother, brother and sister.
Born in Kosciusko County, she was the daughter of Jonas and Dorothy (Metzger) Yoder. She graduated from Silver Lake High School in 1945.
She was a homemaker and worked at Mutual Security Insurance, Fort Wayne. She belonged to West Eel River Church of the Brethren, Silver Lake.
She is survived by a son, Joe Helvey of Utah, and stepsons, James Felabom, Indianapolis, and Rich Felabom, Warsaw; daughters, Mrs. Jim (Kitty) Bick, Rochester, and Mindy Rykard, Fort Wayne, and stepdaughters, Jane Middlekauff, Indianapolis, Jeannine Felabom Basquin of New Zealand, Mrs. Ron (Joyce) Everly, North Manchester, and Mrs. Tom (Dixie) Pifer, Warsaw; two brothers, Daniel (Jan) Yoder, Claypool, and Richard (Marilyn) Yoder, Goshen; four grandchildren and 10 stepgrandchildren; four great-grandchildren and two stepgreat-grandchildren.
She was preceded in death by her parents; a brother, John Yoder; and a sister, Sally Yoder.
Her funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at DeLaughter-McKee Mortuary, North Manchester, with the Rev. Paul Tinkel officiating. Burial will be at Ulrey Memorial Cemetery, rural Silver Lake. Visitation will be from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday at the mortuary. Memorials may be made to West Eel River Church of the Brethren, 799 W. Indiana 14, Silver Lake, IN 46982, or Visiting Nurse and Hospice Home, 5910 Homestead Road, Fort Wayne, IN 46814. Condolences may be sent to the Felabom family at delaughtermckee.com.

**Juan Garcia**

Juan GARCIA, 38, of 101 W. Rochester St., Akron, died Friday at home.

Survivors include his wife, Olga Jimenez, Akron; two daughters, Paloma and Amy Michelle Garcia; his mother, Maria Jesus Patino of Mexico; seven sisters and nine brothers.

Services will be at 4 p.m. Tuesday at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron, with visitation from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. today.

Tuesday, September 30, 2008

**Dola B. Conaway**

Dola B. CONAWAY, 94, Michigan City, formerly of Rochester, died Thursday at Riverview Manor in Indianapolis.

Survivors include one daughter, Kay Hinshaw of Indianapolis and one son, Phillip of Michigan City.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at First United Methodist Church, Michigan City, with visitation from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. today at Root Funeral Home, Michigan City, and one hour prior to the service Wednesday at the church.
**Trevor Dylan Ingram**  

Services for Trevor Dylan INGRAM, 10, of Monticello will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Kewanna United Methodist Church in Kewanna.

He passed away at 2:47 p.m. Friday in Cass County from injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

Born Jan. 23, 1998, in Logansport, he was the son of Richard and Janelle (Foster) Ingram, they survive.

Trevor was a fourth-grader at Landis Elementary School in Logansport. He enjoyed fishing, collecting Matchbox cars, drawing, reading and playing video games. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

Survivors include his parents, Richard and Janelle Ingram of Monticello; brother, Dalton S. Ingram of Monticello; grandparents, Carol Ingram and Carl Bolen of Winamac and Barbara A. Foster and Charles "Pops" Herman of Delphi; aunts and uncles, Charles and Melissia Ingram of Buffalo, Kevin and Alana Ingram of Monticello, Jacob Foster of Booneville, Ark., David and Angela Boswinkle of Hammond, Heather Dix of Winamac, Carla Estes of Winamac, Barbara Calvert of Winamac, Susan and Cory Ames of Francesville, Jill Foster and Thomas Luttrell of Monticello, Joscelyn and Ryan Cowles of Peru, Jolie Campbell and Donnie Bogue of Dublin and Jalene Foster of New York. Trevor is also survived by many cousins.

He was preceded in death by his paternal grandfather, Richard Dean Ingram and his maternal grandfather, David Ellis Foster.

Friends may call from 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. today at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Homes, Kewanna Chapel, 123 E. Main St., Kewanna. Burial will be at Barnett Cemetery in Kewanna. Memorial contributions may be made to the family in care of the funeral home. Online condolences may be made to the Ingram family at www.harrisonmetzger.com.
Pat Shriver

Pat SHRIVER, 78, 1417 Audubon, Rochester, died at 9:14 p.m. Sunday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

Survivors include her husband, Glenn D. Shriver, at home.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Friday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday and one hour prior to the service.

Lee Vance Jr.

May 5, 1929-Sept. 27, 2008

Lee VANCE Jr., 79, of Camden, Ohio, died Saturday at his residence.

He was born on May 5, 1929, in Shelbyville, son of the late Lee and Lola Mae (Bell) Vance Sr. He was a U.S. Army veteran from 1946 to 1949 and a farmer all his life. He was the co-owner and operator of Vance Custom Farm Service. He was retired from WR Grace Fertilizer and Chemical Company in Camden, Ohio, and for the past three years mowed for the Preble County Engineers. He worked with the Tipton, Indiana Police Department for nearly two years and the Camden Fire Department for 15 years. He served three terms with the Camden Village Council and was active with the Preble County Pork Festival, where he served two terms as president. He was a member of the St. Mary's Catholic Church in Camden. In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by a brother, Eugene Vance, and a sister, Gretchen Vance.

He is survived by his wife of 48 years, Elizabeth J. "Betty" (Parr) Vance; daughter, Teresa A. Mason of Eaton, Ohio; sons and daughter-in-law, Donald A. Vance of Camden, Michael A. and Amy Vance of Liberty and Paul A. Vance of Camden; brothers, Earl Vance of Rochester, Jim Vance of Eaton, and Bob Vance of Torrington, Conn.; sisters, Patricia Suggs of Kokomo, and Sharon Kelley of Rochester; seven grandchildren; one uncle; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral mass will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday at St. Mary's Catholic Church, 7721 North Main St., Camden, Ohio, with
Father Frances officiating. Family will receive friends from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. today at the Nein-Barnes Funeral Home, 249 North Main St., Camden, Ohio. A Rosary will be held at 8 p.m. followed by military honors presented by the Preble County Honor Guard.

The family requests no flowers and asks that memorial contributions be made to St. Mary's Catholic Church, P.O. Box 28, Camden, OH 45311, or to Hospice of Dayton, 324 Wilmington Ave., Dayton, OH 45420. Condolences may be sent to the family via the Web site at www.barnesfuneralhome.com.

Wednesday, October 1, 2008

Jeanette Baker

Jeanette BAKER, 88, Grace Village Retirement Community, Winona Lake, formerly of Bourbon, died Monday at Grace Village.

Survivors include a daughter, Sally Ridgeway Baker, Sacramento, Calif.; two sons, Larry R. Baker, DeForest, Wis., and W. John Baker, Warsaw; a sister, Jeannine Nellans, Mentone; and a brother, Royal Blue, Redding, Calif.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday at King Memorial Home, Mentone, with visitation from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

John A. Brady

July 29, 1927-Sept. 30, 2008

John A. BRADY, 81, of 2815 Barrett Road, Rochester, passed away at 5:05 a.m. Tuesday at Life Care Center of Rochester.

He was born on July 29, 1927, in Belvidere, Ill., the son of John B. and Anne M. (Crawford) Brady.

Mr. Brady was a past employee of Dean Foods, the Wickes Corporation, and retired from the Rochester Telephone Company. He served in the United States Air Force and was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church, Rochester.

Survivors include his sister, Mary and husband Mike Morris, Pocatello, Idaho; brother-in-law, Earl Gale, Colorado Springs, Colo.;
and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and sister, Anne Gale.

His funeral mass will be conducted at 10 a.m. Thursday at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Rochester, with the Rev. Joseph Jacob officiating. Friends may call from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. today at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, where the rosary will be recited at 7 p.m. Burial will be in St. Ann's Cemetery, Kewanna. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

V. Thomas Nard Jr.
Aug. 29, 1927-Sept. 29, 2008

V. Thomas NARD Jr., 81, of 1703 Madison St., Rochester, passed away at 6:33 p.m. Monday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

He was born on Aug. 29, 1927, in Indianapolis, the son of Vernon T. and Mary Jane (Bates) Nard Sr. On May 14, 1949, in Thorntown, he married Alice E. Pettinger and she survives.

Mr. Nard worked as data manager in Data Processing for General Motors, Detroit Diesel Alliance Division-Indianapolis, retiring in 1983. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, Moose Lodge, where he held all previous offices including governor, and Eagles Lodge, all of Rochester. He was also a member of the Elks Lodge in Indianapolis and was an U.S. Army veteran of World War II. Mr. Nard was a loving husband, father and grandfather, who loved to fish and golf.

Survivors include his wife of 59 years, Alice Nard, Rochester; sons, Michael Nard, Warsaw, Thomas Nard, Waynesville, Mo.; daughter, Kristin and husband Doug Taylor, Avon; seven grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and a brother, Steven S. and wife Patty Nard, Rochester. He was preceded in death by his parents and sister, Jerry Ann Dunbar in 2004.

His funeral service and Moose Lodge services will be conducted at 7 p.m. Thursday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with Dave Fincher officiating. Friends may call from 4
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p.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home. Entombment will be at 1 p.m. Friday at Washington Park North Cemetery, Indianapolis. Memorial contributions may be made to Mooseheart. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

Pat Shriver
March 12, 1930-Sept. 28, 2008
Pat SHRIVER, 78, of 1417 Audubon, Rochester, died at 9:14 p.m. Sunday at Life Care Center, Rochester.
She was born in Johnson City, Tenn., and graduated from Johnson City High School.
She moved to Rochester from Deming, N.M., where she lived for 25 years.
On Dec. 17, 1955, she married Glenn D. Shriver in Rochester. He survives at home.
She was a homemaker and was employed at Foley's Jewelry Store, Rochester.
Pat was a nature buff, always looking forward to the adventures being outdoors would bring her. Each spring she and Glenn would hunt for mushrooms in the woods on the family farms. She enjoyed observing the birds, flowers and bees in the backyard habitat she created. Each year she would plant vast gardens of flowers, meticulously keeping her gardens in showplace condition. Pat also enjoyed taking walks and observing nature in action around her.
The southern tip of the Rocky Mountains, specifically the Churikova Range, was the vacation spot that beckoned Glenn and Pat. They looked forward to relaxing by camping, hiking, exploring nature and collecting rocks found only in that region.
Pat leaves behind her loving husband, adoring grandchildren, nieces and nephews and her dedicated caregivers at Life Care of Rochester to cherish her memories. They are: two granddaughters, Tricia Tafoya and Leigh Shinn of Phoenix, Ariz.; a grandson, Christopher Shinn, Phoenix, Ariz.; a son-in-law, Ron Shinn, Phoenix, Ariz.; five nieces, Pauline Redinger and husband Wayne, Karen Johnson, Gloria Ann Chapel and husband Larry, Deb Vanover and
Carol Shriver Shrader and husband Ronald; four nephews, Steve Shriver and wife Jane, Larry Shriver, Butch Shriver, Robby Holloway. She is also survived by her cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her daughter, D. Lisa Shinn, on Sept. 5, 2008; nephews, Ron Shriver and Maynard Swears; and a sister and a brother.

A celebration of life for Mrs. Pat Shriver will be at 10 a.m. Friday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St. (Indiana 14 West), with the Rev. Maurice Grindle officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday and an hour prior to the services. She will be laid to rest in Rochester's IOOF Cemetery. Preferred memorials may be made to Hope Hospice, Fulton County Cancer Society or the Alzheimer's Foundation. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Thursday, October 2, 2008

Terrence 'Terry' Lee Goble
Feb. 8, 1940-Sept. 29, 2008

Terrence "Terry" Lee GOBLE, 68, of 781 S. 200 East, Winamac, died at 10:58 a.m. Monday at St. Vincent Seton Specialty Hospital, Indianapolis.

Born in Cleveland, Ohio, she was the daughter of Wendall A. and Dorothy Marie Peters Garman. Terry graduated from Indiana University, Kokomo, in 1987.

Terry married John G. "Jack" Goble on June 7, 1987, in Winamac. She was a member of First United Methodist Church, Winamac, where she was active in the United Methodist Women. She regularly helped prepare the Winamac Kiwanis Club meals at the church.

She was employed as a registered nurse at Pulaski Memorial Hospital, Winamac, Four County Mental Health Center, Logansport, and Logansport Memorial Hospital. She belonged to the Indiana Nursing Association. Terry took great pride in her nursing career and was a caring and compassionate person.
Terry was a member of the Iris-Elm Garden Club, Winamac, and took great pride in her flower gardens. She enjoyed time spent with her family, especially her grandchildren. One of her great joys was reading, especially reading to her grandchildren.

She enjoyed nature, particularly time spent on the beach and on the Tippecanoe River. Terry was a loving spouse, mother and grandmother.

Survivors include her husband, John G. "Jack" Goble, Winamac; her children, Steven T. (Lori) Brockett, Dallas, Texas, Wendy K. (Dave Wohlpardt) Brockett, Doylestown, Pa., Michael D. Brockett, Indianapolis, Shirley A. Goble Shidler, Indianapolis, Susan Goble (Bill) Morris, Rochester, Scott A. (Leanne) Goble, Granger, and Stuart A. (Doris) Goble, Upland; grandchildren, Ethan Brockett, Mark Wohlpardt, Jenna Wohlpardt, Eric Brockett, Alex Brockett, Matthew Brockett, Ryan Brockett, Jason Shidler, Justin (Theresa) Shidler, Jared Shidler, Jon (Jade) Stamper, Carol Morris and Josie Goble; and three great-granddaughters.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a grandchild, Will Morris.

Her funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Friday at First United Methodist Church, Winamac, with Pastor Kevin DeKonink officiating. Burial will be at McKinley Memorial Gardens Cemetery, Winamac. Visitation will be from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. today at Frain Mortuary, Winamac, and one hour prior to the service Friday at the church. Memorials may be given to First United Methodist Church Building Fund. Messages of sympathy may be sent to the family at www.frainmortuary.com.

Charles W. Roberts

Charles W. ROBERTS, 72, Marksville, La., died Sunday.

Survivors include a son, John Roberts of Marksville, and a daughter, Charlene Langley of Rochester.

Arrangements were handled by Hixson Brothers Funeral Home, Marksville.
**Frances Isabelle VanDerWeele**

Frances Isabelle VanDerWEELE, 82, of 422 S. Michigan St., Argos, died Wednesday at Miller's Merry Manor, Plymouth.

Survivors include her husband, Wayne "Skip" VanDerWeele, Argos; a son, William C. VanDerWeele, Gaithersburg, Md.; a daughter, Suzanne Woods, Pittsburgh, Pa.; and a brother, Charles King, Bourbon.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos, with visitation from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday.

Friday, October 3, 2008

**Harvey Jackson Jr.**


Harvey JACKSON Jr., 69, of 1674 N. 750 West, Rochester, died unexpectedly at 10:24 p.m. Wednesday in the Woodlawn Hospital emergency room, Rochester.

He was born in Marvel, Ark., to Harvey Jackson Sr. and Rosie Lee Lyles.

As a child, Harvey grew up on one of the cotton farms of Arkansas and picked cotton with his family until age 16. It was during this time that his work ethic developed and his philosophy of life was grounded. He moved to Chicago, then following his marriage to his lovely wife Beverly on Jan. 15, 1971, they moved to Fulton County to raise their family in 1973.

As the patriarch of his family, all eyes were on Harvey. He instilled the ideal that respect is a more desired characteristic than being liked or loved. He taught many of life's lessons through his keen ability to tell stories. This gift was acquired from his mother. He not only shared stories with his extended family but was a popular speaker on the campuses of Culver Community High School and Culver Military Academies. One of his greatest beliefs is: "Be proud of who you are and be proud of your heritage!"

Friday, October 3, 2008
Harvey was always there to mentor kids who wanted to listen. He was glad to point them in a positive direction and assist them in maximizing their potential. Many of his protégés learned skills in welding, painting and operating heavy equipment. The opportunity to serve as Harvey's apprentice gave the avid learners an instant head start. He was always honored and happy to hear of their successes later in life.

As an entrepreneur, Harvey Jr. founded the Jackson Services Company. He headed this well-known excavation-demolition group with many projects around the Midwest. Some of the jobs locally were: the old U.S. 31 bridge, the Fulton County Home on Indiana 25 South, the old Fulton County Jail, the buildings where the present Walgreen's stands, the former Wiles' Department Store following the fire, the buildings where the Rochester City Building stands, naming only a few.

Harvey idolized the American slave. Being an active participant with the evolution of the black slavery in U.S. history was paramount in his mind. He fought hard for the equal rights of Black Contractors of Indiana, a torch his sons will now carry in his memory. He applauded Barack Obama, his hero, in his quest for the presidency - as he looked forward to another historical moment in our time.

During his spare time, Harvey enjoyed doing elaborate stonework monuments and landscaping around his home and farm. He and his family would integrate ironwork with stone memorializing wildlife, prominent citizens and family members. The monuments are complimented by fountains, small lakes and flower gardens.

Mr. Jackson loved the colorful days of autumn. He annually planted green and red cannas, hostas and mums to set the colorful tones around the landscape of his family's home.

He was a collector of heavy equipment and antique slavery artifacts. During a dig just a few years ago, it was Harvey who discovered the skeletal remains of a mastodon that once roamed Fulton County. The Jackson family were among those who participated in the Civil War reenactment for the movie "Glory," shot in Jackson, Mich. The Jackson Family Bar-B-Q created delicious
chicken and ribs at festivals across northern Indiana including The Trail of Courage, Round Barn Festival, Blueberry Festival, Lakefest and at the Auburn Antique Car Cruise-in, to name a few. He leaves behind his loving wife, adoring children and grandchildren, and many wonderful friends he's made along life's journey to cherish his memory.

Survivors include his wife, Beverly A. (Norman) Jackson, at home; four daughters, Nianna Jackson, Chicago, Ill., with children Lashonda, Paul, Crystal and Princeton, Michelle L. Jackson, Indianapolis, with daughter Autumn, Vanessa L. Jackson, South Bend, with daughter Laila, and Phyllinga L. Jackson, Rochester; four sons, Harvey Jackson III, Kewanna, with children Jasmine, Kayla, Harvey James IV, Alivia, Abigail, Elijah, Ethan and Natalia, Joshua L. Jackson and wife Greta, Kewanna, with children Kennedy and Isaiah, David L. Jackson and wife Katrina, Rochester, with daughter Makenna, and Michael L. Jackson, Rochester. In addition to his 17 grandchildren, he is survived by seven great-grandchildren. Surviving siblings are: sisters - Maebelle Scaife, Nancy Thomas, both of Rochester, Ruth Osborne, Ernestine Worthy and husband Halbert, Bernadine Neal and husband Willie James, all of Chicago, Lois Williams and husband Lawrence, Lucille Walker and husband Marko, and Beverly Cook, all of St. Louis, Mo.; brothers, Johnny Lee Howell and wife Dawn, Ernest Howell Jr. and wife Marie, Cleophus Mooney and wife Connie, all of Rochester, Delbert Howell and wife Sybil, Nadis Howell and wife Cassandra, Robert Howell and wife Valarie, all of Chicago, Andrew Mills, Willie Jackson and wife Bonita, and Harvey Jackson, all of St. Louis, Mo. He is also survived by his mother-in-law and father-in-law, Pearlie and Eldee Norman, a sister-in-law, Arniesia Hardey, and a brother-in-law, Ray Anthony "Tony" Norman and wife Cheryl, all of Blue Island, Ill.

He was preceded in death by his parents; twin daughters, Sandra Ann and Wanda Renee, on Oct. 3, 1974; and daughter, Arniesia L. "Dumplin" Jackson on April 30, 2007.

A celebration of the life of Mr. Harvey Jackson Jr. will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St.
(Indiana 14 West), Rochester. The celebration will be hosted by the Harvey Jackson family. He will be laid to rest at Leiters Ford Cemetery. Friends may visit with the family from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. today and from noon until the service Saturday. Preferred floral tributes are any perennial, but especially hostas, mums and canna bulbs, all of Harvey's favorite flowers. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Saturday, October 4, 2008

**Doris C. Mollohan**

Doris C. MOLLOHAN, 75, Culver, died Thursday at Hickory Creek at Winamac.

Survivors include her children, Faith Kersey, Culver, Eugene Jefferies Jr., Plymouth, David Jefferies Sr., Culver, Tammy Ross, Hamlet, Helen McAfee, Plymouth, Rosemary Kovacs, North Judson, and William Jefferies Sr., Culver, and a sister, Dorothy Overmyer, Plymouth.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Monday at Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, with visitation from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday.

Monday, October 6, 2008

**Terry C. Miller**


Terry C. MILLER, 70, rural Rochester, died at 10:56 p.m. Friday at his home.

He was born Dec. 17, 1937, in Wabash to Lloyd R. and Lillian (Beam) Miller.

Terry married Dorothy (Tomlinson) Van Meter in Warsaw on Aug. 23, 1985. He was an inspector for the Indiana State Board of Animal Health for 30 years. Terry was a 1957 graduate of Roann High School. He was a member of Whippoorwill Community Church in Rochester. He liked to travel in his travel trailer, especially to Oklahoma and Arizona and enjoyed raising sheep. He lived in the
Rochester area the past 23 years, coming from Roann where he lived most of his life.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy Miller of Rochester; two sons, Toni Miller of Dallas, Texas, and Michael Miller of Roann; his father and stepmother, Lloyd and Margaret Miller of North Manchester; two stepsons, Bruce Van Meter and Carl (Rose) Van Meter, both of Rochester; stepdaughter, Betty Lewis of Rochester; five stepgrandchildren, Ricky Lewis of Rochester, Curtis (Kathy) Van Meter, Lacey Van Meter, and Carla Van Meter, all of Logansport, Stephanie (Wilford "Oky") Ginther of Rochester; and seven stepgreat-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his mother.

His funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at Grandstaff-Hentgen Roann Chapel, 335 S. Chippewa Road, Roann, with Pastor Brian Sewell officiating. Burial will be in Roann Community Cemetery. Friends may call from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home. Preferred memorials to Hope Hospice of Rochester or Make-a-Wish Foundation. The memorial guest book for Terry may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com.

Doris C. Mollohan

A funeral service for Doris C. MOLLOHAN, 75, Culver, who died Thursday at Hickory Creek of Winamac, will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday at Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver. Visitation will be from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. today.

Mary Lou Snyder

Nov. 9, 1925-Oct. 4, 2008

Mary Lou SNYDER, 82, Peru, passed away Saturday morning at the Johnson County Memorial Hospital, Franklin.

She was born in Rochester on Nov. 9, 1925, the daughter of Leonard J. and Bertha May Riddle Newcomb. Mary Lou married Herschel "Ed" Snyder in Rochester on May 22, 1948, and he survives.

Mary Lou was raised by her grandparents, Elmer and Effie Newcomb, and she graduated from Rochester High School in 1943. She was employed at Armour & Company in Rochester from 1943 to
1948 and J.C. Penney in Peru from 1965 to 1990, and enjoyed continuing her friendship through the J.C. Penney retirees' monthly luncheons.

A woman of great faith, she was a lifelong American Baptist and an active member of the First Baptist Church of Peru. She was a past member of the Macy Chapter 124 Order of the Eastern Star and a past worthy matron.

Surviving in addition to her husband, Ed, are children, L. Marcus Snyder and his wife Kay, Peru, Lyman A. Snyder and his wife, Corbalou, Franklin, and Amy L. Snyder and her husband Mark, Indianapolis; grandchildren, Carrie A. Stutzman and her husband Jay, Boise, Idaho, Leonard Andrew Snyder, Franklin, Joshua M. Snyder and his wife Amber, Indianapolis, Virginia F. Lippert and her husband B.J., Indianapolis, Loren A. Snyder, Franklin, Christopher C. Snyder, Fort Wayne, and Jennifer K. Snyder, Indianapolis.

A service celebrating the life of Mary Lou Snyder will be at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main St., Peru, with Pastor Robert Adelsperger and Chaplain Steve Fleck officiating. Burial will follow in Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home. Memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to First Baptist Church, Peru.

**Ronnie Utter**

Ronnie UTTER, 69, of 7106 E. 600 North, Rochester, died at 4:14 p.m. Saturday at his residence. Born near Fulton, he was the son of Wilbert and LaVera Walters Utter. A lifetime Fulton County resident, he moved to the Talma area in Newcastle Township 60 years ago.

He married Patsy Hunter Utter on Sept. 30, 1956, at Grace United Methodist Church, Rochester. She survives at home.

A lifetime dairy and grain farmer, he farmed 850 acres and was also a DeKalb seed corn distributor for the past 21 years. He worked part time at T&T Rent-All, Rochester.
Ronnie and Patsy celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Sept. 30, 2006. Surviving family members include son Steven with wife Kathy, grandchildren Melody Hooley and husband Aric and Matthew Utter. He is also survived by his canine companion, Lady, a long-haired German shepherd. When the grandchildren were in school he was an avid supporter for them at school musicals, athletic contests and academic competitions, as grandchildren were of paramount importance to him.

For the past five decades, Ronnie enjoyed the life of a farmer, growing corn and soybeans on his family's farm. Until about 10 years ago they bred, raised and milked a fine herd of Holsteins. He looked forward each spring to making field preparations, then embarking on the planting season. Nothing made him happier than the harvest. He also enjoyed raising pheasants, taking pleasure in observing their natural beauty and releasing them into the wild.

Ronnie and Patsy were devoted members of Bethlehem Baptist Church. He served his church as deacon, trustee and Sunday school teacher for the teenage class. It was their Sunday evening tradition to play dominos with their good friends Phil and Janice Pratt. The Utters also enjoyed euchre club with their neighbors and friends.

At T&T Rent-All, Ronnie enjoyed greeting his customers and assisting them with problem solving. As travelers Ronnie and Patsy enjoyed visits to Yellowstone, Hawaii, the Bahamas, Florida's Disneyworld and Cancun. His family enjoyed dining out together and then either going to the movie theater or watching movies at home. When the men of Indiana University hit the hardwood in late November, it was Ronnie who had the best seat in his house cheering for the cream and crimson. He enjoyed receiving funny e-mail jokes and will be remembered for his great sense of humor and distinct laugh.

The Christmas holiday was one of his favorite times of the year as he delighted in being Santa Claus, donning his red suit, white beard and wide black belt. It was a joyous occasion to watch the kids eyes light up with his presence and the opportunity to share a chocolate bar or candy cane, after listening to their wish list. Ronnie will be
remembered as a kind and generous man who was always there to help his family, friends and neighbors.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

A celebration of his life will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St. (Indiana 14 West), Rochester, with Pastor Phil Pratt officiating. The family will receive friends from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday and one hour prior to the service Wednesday. He will be laid to rest at Rochester's IOOF Cemetery. Preferred memorials in lieu of flowers may be made to Bethlehem Baptist Church. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Tuesday, October 7, 2008

No Obituaries

Wednesday, October 8, 2008

No Obituaries

Thursday, October 9, 2008

Helen J. Kelly


Helen J. KELLY, 79, of 1023 Monroe St., Rochester, died at 4:45 p.m. Tuesday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

Born in Rochester, she was the daughter of James Monroe and Minnie Ward Nickell. She was a member of the Fulton High School Class of 1947.

On Dec. 21, 1946, in Rochester, she married Van Kelly at the Presbyterian Church.

She worked for Hart Schaffner & Marx of Rochester for 30 years and retired in 1996.
A lifetime Rochester community resident, she belonged to First Christian Church of Rochester, Pheasants Forever and the Eagles and American Legion auxiliaries of Rochester.

Survivors include her husband, Van Kelly, at home; a daughter, Barbara Buckingham, Port Charlotte, Fla.; a son, Brad Kelly and wife Brenda, Kewanna; three grandchildren, Megan Buckingham, Ben Daulton and wife Sarah and Gracie Kelly; four great-grandchildren, Wilson, Jessica and Daulton Daulton and McKenzie Baker; and her brother, Billy Richard Nickell and wife Irene, Logansport.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Her funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Friday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with the Rev. Woody Slade officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. today and one hour prior to the service. Memorials may be made to Pheasants Forever. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Friday, October 10, 2008

Helen J. Kelly

Helen J. KELLY, 79, of 1023 Monroe St., Rochester, died at 4:45 p.m. Tuesday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

Born in Rochester, she was the daughter of James Monroe and Minnie Ward Nickell. She was a member of the Fulton High School Class of 1947.

On Dec. 21, 1946, in Rochester, she married Van Kelly at the Presbyterian Church.

She worked for Hart Schaffner & Marx of Rochester for 30 years and retired in 1996.

A lifetime Rochester community resident, she belonged to First Christian Church of Rochester, Pheasants Forever and the Eagles and American Legion auxiliaries of Rochester.

Survivors include her husband, Van Kelly, at home; a daughter, Barbara Buckingham, Port Charlotte, Fla.; a son, Brad Kelly and wife
Brenda, Kewanna; three grandchildren, Megan Buckingham, Ben Daulton and wife Sarah and Gracie Kelly; four great-grandchildren, Wilson, Jessica and Daulton Daulton and McKenzie Baker; and her brother, Billy Richard Nickell and wife Irene, Logansport.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Her funeral service will be at 10 a.m. today at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with the Rev. Woody Slade officiating. Visitation was Thursday and one hour prior to the service today. Memorials may be made to Pheasants Forever. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Cynthia S. Nellans

Cynthia S. NELLANS, 53, of 517 N. Broadway St., Mentone, died Wednesday at University of Chicago Hospital, Chicago, Ill.

Services will be at 3 p.m. Sunday at Harrison Center Church, Etna Green, with visitation from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday at King Memorial Home, Mentone.

Wilma Troyer

Wilma TROYER, 73, of 19411 15th Road, Culver, died Wednesday at home.

Survivors include her husband, Lewis Troyer; two sons, Richard Troyer, Troy, Ala., and Brent Allen Troyer, Culver; and a daughter, Cheryl Lynn Lowry, Delong.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday at Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, with visitation from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. today.

Saturday, October 11, 2008

Freda June Brown


Freda June BROWN, 89, Peabody Retirement Community, North Manchester, formerly of Akron, died at 5:15 a.m. Friday at Peabody Retirement Community.
Born in Fulton County, she was the daughter of Lee and Cora Zimmerman Coplen. A graduate of Gilead High School, she married George E. Brown on April 26, 1937, in Monticello. He passed away Nov. 17, 2005.

She was a homemaker and worked at Chamberlin Products, Akron. She attended Akron Church of God.

Survivors include a daughter, Brenda and husband William Malott, Akron; a son, Gary and wife Bonnie Brown, Shepherd, Mich.; five grandchildren, Mike and wife Amber Malott, Todd and wife Connie Malott, Sondra and husband Gary McBride, Ramona and husband John Travis, Ronda and husband Brian Gould; seven great-grandchildren; a sister, Ruth Chandler, Indianapolis; four brothers, Dean and wife Helen Coplen, Mesa, Ariz., Robert Coplen, Fort Wayne, Dale and wife Beverly Coplen, Akron, Ralph and wife Barbara Coplen, Warsaw; and a sister-in-law, Vada Coplen, Akron.

She was preceded in death by two infant children and two brothers, Charles and Wayne Coplen.

Her funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Pastor Terry Canfield officiating. Burial will be at Athens Cemetery, Athens. Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to Akron Church of God or Hope Hospice of Fulton County. Condolences may be sent to the family online at www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

Juanita Gaye Hall

Juanita Gaye HALL, 75, of rural Roann, died at 2:46 p.m. Thursday at St. Joseph Hospital and Health Center in Kokomo.

She was born Jan. 26, 1933, in Macy to Carl J. and Florence E. (Macy) Grumpp.

Juanita married Don D. Hall in Roann on Oct. 9, 1954; he died July 15, 1983. She grew up in Miami County and was a Chili High School graduate. She received her certificate of cosmetology, was a homemaker and a babysitter. She was a member and former
secretary/treasurer of the Roann First Brethren Church and was a member of the Women's Missionary Society of the church. Juanita enjoyed mowing the grass, visiting friends and making noodles at the church. She was a No. 1 cookie baker. She worked the arts and crafts building at the Roann Covered Bridge Festival many years and also volunteered at the 7 Mile Mini Mart in Urbana.

She is survived by five children, Sandy (Donald) VanderVoort of Monterey, Tenn., Joseph (Cindy) Hall of Roann, Ronald Hall of Rochester, Patricia (Ernie) Phenis of Marion, and James (Carla) Hall of North Manchester; 17 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and a brother, Lowell (Opal) Grumpp of Denver. She was preceded in death by her brother Willis Grumpp, who died Aug. 24, 1984.

Funeral services will be at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 335 S. Chippewa Rd., Roann, on Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. with Rev. Nikki Marker officiating. Burial will be in Roann Community Cemetery, Roann. Friends may call from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday at the funeral home. Preferred memorial is Roann First Brethren Church. The memorial guest book for Juanita may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com.

Donald P. 'Pete' Mutchler
March 10, 1924-Oct. 10, 2008

Donald P. "Pete" MUNCHLER, 84, of 4684 N. Indiana 25, Rochester, passed away at 6:43 a.m. Friday at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne.

He was born on March 10, 1924, in Kewanna, the son of Howard and Vida (Collins) Mutchler. On June 6, 1953, in Rochester, he married Jerry M. Hayden. She preceded him in death on Jan. 13, 2002.

Mr. Mutchler was maintenance supervisor for United Technologies in Elwood, for 26 years. He was a member of the Riverview Community Church, 50-year member of the Rochester Masonic Lodge, and a U.S. Navy veteran of World War II. He was an avid fisherman and enjoyed mushroom hunting.
Survivors include his son, Donald Mutchler Jr., Tipton; daughters, Kathy and husband Terry Hobbs, Rochester, and Debbie and husband David Mumbower, Alexandria; grandchildren, Jamie and wife Jamielyn Hobbs, Navarre, Fla., Jason Hobbs, Rochester, Nicole Mumbower, Alexandria, Nathan Mumbower, Alexandria, Zachary Mutchler, Noblesville, Sarah Mutchler, Perkinsville, Kurtis Mutchler, Tipton; one great-grandchild, T.-J. Hobbs, Navarre, Fla.; his brother, John and wife Marjorie Mutchler, Rochester; sisters, Jeanette Hunter, Rochester, Frances Herrell, Oxford, Wis., Ruth Lease, Lucerne; his brother-in-law, Marvin Simmons, Patoka; and his sister-in-law, Irene James, Logansport. He was preceded in death by his parents; granddaughter, Michelle Hobbs; and sisters, Josephine Tuley, Pauline Mutchler, Isabell Cooper and Martha Reeser.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Monday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Friends may call from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday and one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Masonic services will be conducted at 6 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home. Burial will be in the Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester, where military graveside services will be conducted by the Rochester American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars posts. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

Cynthia S. Nellans

Cynthia S. NELLANS, 53, of 517 N. Broadway St., Mentone, died at 1:32 p.m. Wednesday at University of Chicago Hospital, Chicago, Ill.

She was born in Warsaw to Francis and Judith Rodocker Rickel, and they survive in Palestine. She graduated from Mentone High School in 1973.

On Oct. 5, 1973, she married Brant Nellans, and he survives.

A homemaker and mother, she attended Harrison Center Church, Etna Green.
She is also survived by a daughter, Amy and husband Eric Brown, Macy; two sons, Scot and wife Alicia Nellans, Lafayette, and Marc and wife Reghan Nellans, Mentone; four grandchildren, Weston Brown, Benton Nellans, Campbell Nellans and Caleb Nellans; a sister, Patricia and husband Gary Bray; and two brothers, Francis "Rick" and wife Evelyn Rickel and Tony and wife Janice Rickel.

Her funeral service will be at 3 p.m. Sunday at Harrison Center Church, Etna Green, with Pastor Bill Stevens officiating. Burial will be at Palestine Cemetery, Palestine. Visitation will be from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. today at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone. Memorials may be made to Harrison Center Church. Condolences may be sent to the family online at www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

Herschel 'Ed' Snyder

Herschel "Ed" SNYDER, 88, Peru, passed away Friday morning at Johnson County Memorial Hospital, Franklin.

He was born in Rochester on Sept. 3, 1920, the son of William H. and Madge Groninger Snyder. Herschel married Mary Lou Newcomb in Rochester on May 22, 1948, and she preceded him in death on Oct. 4, 2008.

Ed graduated from Rochester High School in 1939 and, as part of American's greatest generation, he served in the U.S. Army during World War II. His military decorations included the American Theatre Ribbon, the FAME Ribbon, the Good Conduct Medal and the World War II Victory Medal. Ed was employed as an assistant manager of Armour Cheese Factory in Alton, Mo., from 1960-1965. He was manager of Miami County Production Credit from 1965 until his retirement in 1984.

Ed and his wife, Mary Lou, lovingly raised three children. A man of great faith and integrity, he was an active member of First Baptist Church of Peru, where he served as a deacon. He was a devoted husband, father and loving grandfather. He was a 50-year member of Peru-Miami Lodge No. 67 F. & A.M., Order of Eastern Star Macy Chapter No. 124 and Peru Rotary Club. He thoroughly
enjoyed local sports and was an avid Peru High School basketball fan. Ed had a twinkle in his eye and smile that would warm your heart.

Surviving are his children, Lyman A. Snyder and his wife Corbalou of Franklin, L. Marcus Snyder and his wife Kay of Peru and Amy L. Snyder and her husband Mark of Indianapolis, grandchildren, Carrie A. Stutzman and her husband Jay of Boise, Idaho, Leonard Andrew Snyder of Franklin, Joshua M. Snyder and his wife Amber of Indianapolis, Virginia F. Lippert and her husband B. J. of Indianapolis, Loren A. Snyder of Franklin, Christopher C. Snyder of Fort Wayne and Jennifer K. Snyder of Indianapolis. Several nieces and nephews also survive. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Mary Lou; a brother, James Snyder; and three sisters, Louise Hooven, Bernice Whittenberger and Janet Arnold.

A service celebrating the life of Herschel "Ed" Snyder will be at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday at Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main St., Peru, with Pastor Robert Adelsperger and Chaplain Steve Fleck officiating. Burial will follow in Rochester IOOF Cemetery with military graveside services provided by the Miami County Military Rites Unit. Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday at the funeral home. Memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to First Baptist Church, Peru, or the Rotary International Foundation.

Monday, October 13, 2008

No Obituaries

Tuesday, October 14, 2008

Darlene Aultman

Darlene AULTMAN, 75, Tippecanoe Shores, died at 12:30 p.m. Monday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.
Robert A. Conrad  
Robert A. CONRAD, 83, Peru, died Saturday at Miller's Merry Manor, Logansport.  
Survivors include his wife, Carolyn R. Conrad, and three children, Diana J. Conrad, Indianapolis, John R. Conrad, Brooklyn Center, Minn., and Matt L. Conrad, LaPorte.  
Services will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver. Visitation will be from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. today.

Robert L. Denton  
Robert L. DENTON, 82, of 502 S. Logan St., Kewanna, died Sept. 28 at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.  
Survivors include three sisters, Virginia Heady, Rochester, Julia Wagner, Green Bay, Wis., and June Ann Carson, Everett, Wash.  
A private family service was held at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Debra Jo Hall  
Debra Jo HALL, 55, Logansport, died at 5:35 p.m. Friday at St. Vincent Hospital, Carmel.  
Born in Rochester, she was the daughter of Garl L. and Edna Mae Chapin Hopper.  
She married Reginald “Reggie” O. Hall on May 29, 2005, in Logansport.  
A homemaker, she enjoyed yard sales, knitting and reading. She enjoyed collecting peanut butter for Haitian children and making care packages for servicemen. She was a member of First Assembly of God Church, Logansport.  
Survivors include her husband, Reginald O. Hall, Logansport; a son, Mark Stine and fiancé Nicole Nichols, Logansport; daughters, Rhythm Hartman and husband Raymond, Patience Cottrell and husband Bobby, all of Logansport, Harmony Newman and husband Anthony, Lafayette, and Cherish Stine, Logansport; her mother, Edna
Mae Bedford, Rochester; a stepdaughter, Jeannine Everett and husband Servonzel, Chicago, Ill.; a stepson, Reggie Cogar and fiancé Kristy, Bolingbrook, Ill.; a brother-in-law, Haroleon Cross, Chicago, Ill., and Andrea Michelle Hall, Bolingbrook, Ill.; her former husband, Lloyd Stine II, Logansport; five grandchildren and seven step-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Janet Sue Collins; a brother, Thomas Allen Hopper; her stepfather, Omer Bedford; and her father, Garl L. Hopper.

Services will be at 10 a.m. today at First Assembly of God Church, Logansport, with Pastor Andy Weil officiating. Burial will be at IOOF Cemetery, Rochester. Visitation was Monday.

Memorials may be made to First Assembly of God Church in memory of Debra Hall and will be used for peanut butter for Haitian children and are packages for soldiers.

**Rosellen ‘Dixie’ Hunter**

May 20, 1922-Oct. 11, 2008

Rosellen “Dixie” HUNTER, 86, of 315 W. 13th St., died at 2:35 p.m. Saturday at Woodlawn Hospital.

Born, on May 20, 1922, in Marshall County, Rosellen was the daughter of William and Edna Wooldridge Dickson. She lived in Fulton County for 63 years, coming from Marshall County after graduating from Culver High School in 1940.


Mrs. Hunter retired from Hart Schaffner & Marx of Rochester in 1985 after 27 years.

She was a member of First Christian Church, the Fulton County Campers Association and the Florida Red Hat Society. She was a 4-H leader, a Girl Scout Leader and a life guard and gave swimming lessons. She liked to read romantic novels, crochet afghans for babies and make homemade noodles. She enjoyed making people laugh, dressing up like Santa Claus and eating breakfast with a group of friends on Friday morning.
Survivors include four daughters, Lynda McCloughan and husband Ted, Rochester, Wanda Wilhelm and husband Richard of Macy, Kay Eiler and husband Robert, Alexandria and Patsy Rowe, Peru; 15 grandchildren and 33 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; a grandson Brent McCloughan; a great-grandson, Colt McCloughan; a son-in-law, Patrick Rowe; a sister, Betty Ward; and three brothers, Ernest, William and Wayne Dickson.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St. (Indiana 14 West), with Pastor Kate Gandy officiating. Burial will be in IOOF Cemetery, Rochester.

Friends may visit with the family from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday and one prior to the service at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County and to the American Cancer Society. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Charles Edward 'Chuck' LaDow
March 10, 1918-Oct. 12, 2008

Charles E. "Chuck" LaDOW, age 90, Fletchers Lake, passed away at 10:10 p.m. Sunday at Clarian North Medical Center, Carmel.

Born in Wheeling, W.Va., he was the son of Autho D. and Sylva (Dodrill) LaDow.

He was married on April 13, 1941, in Lafayette to Billie I. Thompson, who preceded him in death on June 15, 1989. Chuck was then married Sept. 22, 1995, to Vivian Fearnow, who preceded him in death on Sept. 25, 2008.

Chuck retired from the Logansport Fire Department as assistant fire chief in 1970 after 20 years of employment. He was also employed at Universal Fire Apparatus, retiring in 1983 after 30 years of employment.

Chuck was a United States Army veteran of World War II, where he served in Africa, Italy and France. He was a member of the VFW Post No. 3790 and American Legion Post No. 60. He also
belonged to the Logansport Eagles Club, Grass Creek Lions Club and Tipton Masonic Lodge.

Chuck was a member of Fletchers Lake United Methodist Church, where he served on the board of trustees.

Chuck was an avid fisherman. He especially enjoyed providing bluegill fish frys for his friends and family at his lakeside home.

Survivors include his sons, Thomas W. (Cindy) LaDow, Logansport, and Robert L. (Debra) LaDow, Greenwood; his sister, Betty Tillett, Logansport; his grandchildren, Charles R. (Hayley) LaDow, Tamra M. (Michael) McMahan, Christina S. (James) Cooper, Kara D. (Chris) Paul, and Natalie J. LaDow; his great-grandchildren, Liliana Cooper, Elisabeth Cooper, Connor Paul, Emma Paul, Addison Paul, Madelyn LaDow, Jacob LaDow, Grant LaDow, Michael McMahan, and Chelsea Butler; four stepdaughters and one stepson.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Sheryl Jean LaDow.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday at Kroeger Funeral Home, Logansport, with the Rev. David Sommers officiating. Burial will be at Ever-Rest Memorial Park with full military honors. The funeral procession to the cemetery will include the traditional final stop at Central Fire Station. Visitation will be from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home, where members of the Logansport Fire Department will stand guard. Memorial contributions may be made to the stained glass window fund in Chuck's memory at Fletchers Lake United Methodist Church, 10883 W. 775 S., Kewanna, IN 46939. Condolences may be placed online at kroegerfuneralhome.com.

Pamela L. Lowe

Pamela L LOWE, 49, of 5651 N. 325 West, Rochester, died at 8:11 a.m. Sunday in the Woodlawn Hospital emergency room, Rochester.

Born in South Bend, she was the daughter of Harold “Squeak” and Janet Mikesell Lowe. She graduated from Rochester High School in 1978.
She is survived by her companion of more than 16 years Fred. A McGlothlin of Rochester.

She drove a bus for RSVP of Fulton County for many years and also worked for many years as a bartender at various places.

Survivors include her mother, Janet Lowe, Rochester; two brothers, Greg and wife Dona Lowe, Rochester, and Jeff and wife Cinda Lowe, Carmel; three stepchildren, Shelly and husband Rich Wagoner, Brownsburg, Fred A. McGlothlin Jr. and Bryce McGlothlin, both of Rochester; nieces and nephews, Ashley, Austin and Conner Lowe; and five grandchildren, Kyrsten, Hannah and Morgan Wagoner and Braxton and Tarick McGlothlin.

She was preceded in death by her father in 2001.

A graveside memorial service will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at IOOF Cemetery, Rochester, with Pastor Steve Fleck officiating. Memorials may be made to the Foundation of St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth Hospital, 1915 Lake Ave., Plymouth, IN 46563.

Phyllis J. Perry

Phyllis J. PERRY, age 78, Eaton Rapids, Mich., passed away Saturday, embraced in the love of her family, after a brief, but courageous, battle with cancer.

Mrs. Perry was born on Oct. 2, 1930, in Rochester to Clarence and Gladys (Boyer) Shultz. She graduated from Rochester High School in 1948, and on May 18, 1952, married the love of her life, Carl O. Perry, who survives.

Mrs. Perry was a nationally known majorette and baton twirler in the 1940s and '50s and led many parades around the country before marrying and raising her family. Phyllis retired from the pharmacy department of Ingham Regional Medical Center, Lansing, Mich., in 1991, and she and her husband spent the next several years traveling before retiring to their winter home in Texas. Her family and friends were the center of her life and she looked forward each October to traveling to their winter home and being with their many friends at
Pleasant Valley Ranch in Mission, Texas. She enjoyed that almost as much as she looked forward to coming home again every April to see her family and friends in Michigan.

A devoted and proud wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, she leaves to mourn, in addition to her husband, Carl, her children, Dennis (Skip) Perry of White Pigeon, Mich., Debbie (Steve) Quinn of Stockbridge, Mich., and Mike (Cindy) Perry of Eaton Rapids, Mich.; grandchildren, David Perry, Doug (Wendy) Perry, Denny Carl (Jenny) Perry, Ryan (fiancée Lindsey Watters) Quinn, Kelli Quinn, Jenny (Tony) Burlison, Amie (Bill) Ostrander, and Casey (Brandon) Adler; 13 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren; sisters-in-law, Avanelle (Gerald) Cook of Elkhart, Alice (Bill) Balmer of London, Ky., Angeline (Rick) Miller of Florida, Alta Grossman of Bourbon, Alverta (Howard) Alderfer of Warsaw, Aletha (Devon) Rensberger of Rochester; brothers-in-law, Alton (Pat) Perry of Akron, Alvin (Ann) Perry of Pierceton, John (Tammy) Perry of Warsaw; and many nieces, nephews and beloved friends in Michigan, Indiana and Texas.

She was preceded in death by her parents; mother-in-law and father-in-law, Ford and Lucille Perry; brothers, Eldon and Max (Marilyn) Shultz; sister-in-law, Arlene Coleman; and her beloved great-grandson, Dylan Ostrander.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, 518 S. Main Street, Eaton Rapids, Mich. (517-663-5331). The family will receive friends from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. today at the funeral home. Interment will follow at Oakwood Cemetery, Eaton Rapids, Mich. Memorial contributions may be made to Ingham Regional Medical Center, 401 W. Greenlawn, Lansing, MI 48910, in memory of Phyllis J. Perry.

"Mother is the heartbeat in the home; and without her, there seems to be no heart throb." Leroy Brownlow.

www.shellyodell.com
Arnold 'Dick' Umbaugh

Arnold "Dick" UMBAUGH, age 84, of 625 Oakhill Ave., Plymouth, passed away at 12:36 a.m. on Friday at the Catherine Kasper Life Care Center in Donaldson.

Dick was born on Oct. 2, 1924, in Argos to Cecil and Esther (Cool) Umbaugh. He attended Argos School, for 12 years, graduating in the Class of 1943.

In May of 1943, Dick joined the United States Navy and proudly served his country. He received his basic training at Great Lakes, Ill. He served aboard the USS Granville Transport Ship as Pharmacist Mate 1/class in the South Pacific for two and a half years.

On April 21, 1946, Dick and the former Berniece Samuelson were united in marriage at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Donaldson.

Dick entered Hanover College in June of 1946, where he majored in chemistry and biology. He graduated from Hanover in June of 1950. He attended one year of medical school at Indiana University.

He returned to Plymouth and was a lab tech at Parkview Hospital. He later joined Investors Diversified Service and was a financial advisor for 28 years, retiring in 1985. Dick and Berniece moved to Saint Germain, Wis., for eight years, where Dick enjoyed his hobby of fishing. They returned to Plymouth in 1993.

Dick was a Boy Scout in his youth and as an adult he took on the role of Scout leader. He was also very active in his church. He taught Sunday School and was on the church council many times. He was a member of Rotary Club and the American Legion. Dick enjoyed spending time with his family.

Dick is survived by his wife, Berniece; their sons, Mark and Suzanne Umbaugh of Argos, David and Vainca Umbaugh of Pebble Beach, Calif., and Dan and Barbara Umbaugh of Carmel; his brother, Gerald Umbaugh of Kansas; his sister, Ercell and Morris Zink of South Bend; eight grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren. Dick
was preceded in death by his parents, Cecil and Esther Umbaugh; his
sister, Lois Weidner; and his granddaughter, Sarah Jane Umbaugh.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. today with one hour of
visitation prior to the service at the Immanuel Lutheran Church,
Donaldson, with the Rev. Dennis Wenzel officiating. A time of
visiting with the Umbaugh family was Monday at Van Gilder Funeral
Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth. Burial will be in the Immanuel
Lutheran Cemetery, Donaldson. Memorial contributions may be given
to the Immanuel Lutheran Church or to the World Gospel Mission.
Friends are invited to sign the guest book and share memories of Dick
with his family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com.

Jeffrey D. Willhite

Jeffrey D. WILLHITE, 37, Culver, died Oct. 7 at St. Joseph
Regional Medical Center, South Bend.

Survivors include his parents, Henry Lee Willhite Sr. and
Gladys Willhite, Culver; a son, Zachary Willhite; and two brothers,
Michael Lee Willhite and Henry Lee Willhite Jr., all of Culver.

Services will be at 11 a.m. today at Culver Academies
Memorial Chapel, Culver. Visitation was Monday. Bonine-Odom
Funeral Home, Culver, handled arrangements.

Ronald ‘Ronnie’ Winterrowd

September 28, 1944-Oct. 11, 2008

Ronald “Ronnie” James WINTERROWD, 64, Rochester, died
at 11:13 a.m. Saturday at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Born in Rochester, he was the son of George and Hazel Garner
Winterrowd. They preceded him in death. He was a lifetime Fulton
County Resident.

Ronnie graduated from Rochester High School in 1963. On
July 11, 1965, he and his best friend, Martha Butcher, married at the
Trinity United Methodist Church. Their union of 43 years produced
daughters Zorina and Stacey.

As a loyal 22-year employee of Lobdell-Emory, he worked at
the plant until it closed in 2001. During these years, he also assisted
his dad, George, with the family farming operations, raising corn and soybeans. In 1988, year of the Farm Progress Show in Fulton County, Beck’s Hybrid Seed Company honored Ronnie for growing the Biggest Ear of Corn! They also oversaw the hogs and a fine herd of black angus.

Ronnie enjoyed cheering for his daughters as they competed with the Lady Zebra swim team. He also loved attending Lady Zebra softball, basketball and volleyball contests. Ronnie could always be seen seated on the front row near the 10-second line cheering on the Lady Zs.

It was a great memory when Ronnie was recognized for his perfect attendance and as the Lady Zebras No. 1 sports fan in February 2005. Athletic director Mark Miller presented him with a plaque at half time. With the arrival of the second generation, Ronnie was there to cheer for his grandchildren at all of their softball, basketball, baseball and volleyball games.

A fan of radio talk shows, Ronnie led off his listening day with WROI then moving on to WWKI and on to WLS. He loved to manicure the landscape of his home and annually plant a vegetable garden. Until this year, he always canned and froze tomatoes for winter use.

Martha and Ronnie collaborated on a uniform business. Ronnie’s part of the production was to cut out the fabric patterns, interfacing and pockets, sized according to Martha’s specifications. Martha, a talented seamstress, would then create the finished product that was complemented by a holiday or seasonal theme.

Ronnie will be missed by his loving wife, children and grandchildren who adore him, his devoted brothers and sister, his fellow Lady Zebra followers and the many friends he made along life’s journey.

Survivors include his wife, Martha Winterrowd, at home; two daughters Zorina Lewis and husband Timothy, St. Petersburg, Fla., and Stacey Angrick and husband Dennis, Greenwood; five grandchildren, twins Delaney and Madison Lewis and twins Chase and Shane Lewis, all of St. Petersburg, Fla., and Bailey Slats,
Greenwood; his sister, Jacksie Reiken and husband Jim, Mentone; three brothers, Robert Winterrowd and wife Karen, Rochester, Garry Winterrowd, Fort Wayne, and Robin W. Winterrowd, Palestine; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A celebration of the life of Mr. Ronald “Ronnie” Winterrowd will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., (Indiana 14 West), Rochester, with Chaplain Jason See presiding. Friends may visit with the family from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. today and one hour prior to the service on Wednesday. He will be laid to rest at the IOOF Cemetery, Rochester. Preferred memorial is the Fulton County Humane Society Building Fund. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Wednesday, October 15, 2008

Darlene J. Aultman
Aug. 9, 1933-Oct. 13, 2008

Darlene J. AULTMAN, 75 years, 2 months and 4 days, departed this life on Monday, Oct. 13, 2008, at 12:23 p.m. at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester. She was surrounded by her loving family as she was released from her Earthly bondages and entered the gates of her Heavenly Home. Awaiting her arrival were her great-grandson Trent, parents William and Edna Beard Helsing, and three sisters Barbara Jane, Rose and Grace.

Darlene was born in Chicago, Ill., on Aug. 9, 1933. On June 20, 1950, in Chicago, she repeated wedding vows with her husband, Robert L. Aultman. They enjoyed 58 years of marriage, celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary in 2000. The Aultman family tree includes four children, Barbara Richards and husband Marlin of Hammond, Cindy Blanchette and husband Gary of Bourbonais, Ill., Cheryl Kirk of Minnesota City, Minn., and Mark Aultman and wife Susan of Lowell. Through the years, additions of 13 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren joined the family.
Darlene was a member of the St. Ann's Catholic Church in Monterey. Prior to moving to Fulton County, she worked at Allied Tube and Conduit in Harvey, Ill. As a local resident, she worked at Federal Mogul in Leiters Ford, before retiring.

To relax, Darlene enjoyed vacationing with the family to a variety of destinations. Her favorite was the visits to the Lake of the Ozarks. She also enjoyed going to the beach and swimming with her grandchildren on the pristine waters of Lake Maxinkuckee in Culver. At home, she enjoyed crossword puzzles and reading, especially mysteries and romantic novels. Attending theatre productions and visiting antique shops while spending a long weekend at bed and breakfasts gave her great enjoyment.

As the matriarch of the family, Darlene will be best remembered for the love and devotion she unselfishly gave her husband, children and grandchildren. Her family was paramount in her mind. At holidays and special occasions, she would prepare delicious chicken and dumplings. We'll remember the homemade macaroni and cheese, iced tea and dressing.

Gram was ALWAYS there teaching grandchildren how to swim and supporting all of their academic endeavors. Darlene leaves behind her family who adores her to cherish her memory of the many good times they shared.

A celebration of life for Mrs. Darlene J. Aultman will be at 4 p.m. Thursday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., (Indiana 14 West), Rochester. Father Burt Woolson will officiate. Friends may visit with Darlene's family from 1 p.m. until the service. Preferred memorials may be made to the Halo of Hope Foundation; envelopes are available at the funeral home. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Jack E. Campbell

Jack E. CAMPBELL, 81, Culver, died Tuesday at home.

Arrangements are pending at Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver.
Evelyn Arvella Enyart Williams  
July 4, 1925-Sept. 3, 2008

Evelyn Arvella Enyart WILLIAMS, 83, of Walhalla, Mich., and formerly of Rochester, died on Sept. 3, 2008, at Oakview Medical Care Facility in Ludington, Mich., where she was a resident for the past 13 1/2 years.

Evelyn was born on July 4, 1925, in Tyner, Ind., to Earl and Ursa Enyart. She graduated from Rochester High School in 1943. She married Russell F. Williams on Aug. 16, 1942, in Phenix City, Ala., while he was serving in the United States Army.

Evelyn was a homemaker, enjoyed designing and helping to build four of their homes, was a devoted mother to her children and grandchildren and loved music and reading. She was known for the delicious pies she baked.

Survivors include her husband, Russell, at home, P.O. Box 294, Walhalla, MI 49458; a daughter, Penny (David) Buffenbarger of Midland, Mich.; a son, David (Debby) Williams of Walhalla; six grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. She is also survived by three brothers, Raymond (Ruth) Enyart and Emerson (Barbara) Enyart of Rochester, Carl (Pat) Enyart of South Bend, and one sister, Norma Jean (Dale) Becker of Rochester.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brothers, Wilson and Kenneth Enyart; and a sister, Eileen Simpson.

Burial was at the Brookside Cemetery in Scottville, Mich., on Sept. 6, 2008.

Thursday, October 16, 2008

Jack E. Campbell

Jack E. CAMPBELL, 81, Culver, died Tuesday at home.

Survivors include his wife, Marilyn Steele Campbell; children, David, Rochester, Jack Jr., Culver, Susan Thews, Culver, Mary Catherine Shockney, Katy, Texas, Susan Steele, Indianapolis, and John Steele, Fort Wayne.
Services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Wesley United Methodist Church, Culver, with visitation from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday at Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, and one hour prior to the service at the church.

Father Richard E. Miller  
Father Richard E. "Rick" MILLER, age 57, of Lafayette and formerly of Elwood, died Monday at his residence in Lafayette following a brief illness.

He was born June 2, 1951, in Elwood. He was an ordained priest in the Roman Catholic Church serving in the Diocese of Lafayette. He was a 1969 graduate of Salesian Junior Seminary in Cedar Lake. He was ordained on Dec. 18, 1976, in the Roman Catholic Church and returned later that year to the Angelicum in Rome to complete his STM Master's Degree in Theology. He served churches in Marion, Rochester, Lafayette and Reynolds. He also later served on the Matrimonial Tribunal for the Lafayette Diocese.

Survivors include: his sister, Andrea and husband Roscoe Sparks of Elwood, and two nephews, Nicholas P. Sparks and Benjamin M. Sparks, both of Elwood. His parents, Edwin Eugene and Mary Patricia (Keller) Miller, preceded him in death.

Funeral services will be conducted at 7 p.m. today at St. Boniface Church in Lafayette with the Bishop William L. Higi and Father Tim Alkire officiating. Visitation will be held at St. Boniface Church from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. today prior to the service. Funeral services will also be conducted at 10 a.m. Saturday at St. Joseph Church in Elwood with Bishop William L. Higi officiating. Visitation will be held from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday at St. Joseph Church in Elwood with a vigil service at 7 p.m. Burial will take place in St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery in Elwood. Memorials may be made to St. Elizabeth Hospice Program, 1415 Salem Street, Suite 202 W, Lafayette, IN 47904. Arrangements are by Copher-Fesler-May Funeral Home in Elwood. Online condolences: www.copherfeslermay.com.
Friday, October 17, 2008

Eleanore A. Kerr
July 18, 1918-Oct. 15, 2008

Eleanore A. KERR, 90, of 784 N. 900 East, Akron, died at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday at Miller's Merry Manor, Warsaw, where she lived for two months.

Born in Chicago, Ill., she was the daughter of Rudolph and Anna Padorsky Miert. She graduated from a Chicago high school in 1936.


She was a bookkeeper for Pike Lumber Co., Akron, for more than 50 years. After her retirement, she continued the lumber company's bookkeeping in her home.

She was also a homemaker and, for more than 20 years, cared for her husband at home as his health declined.

She loved classical music, reading, word games and crossword puzzles.

Survivors include a daughter, Diane and husband James Camfferman, Watervliet, Mich.; a son, Howard T. Kerr Jr. and his wife Jolinda, Akron; a granddaughter, Jennifer and husband Todd Christopher, Watervliet; two grandsons, Jeff Kerr, Mishawaka, and Brian Kerr and wife Nicole, Akron; three great-grandchildren, Kaitlyn, Gabe and Payton; and special friends and co-workers, Diane and Eric Pontious, Akron.

A brother, Rudolph "Bud" Miert, also preceded her in death along with her parents.

Private services will be at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron. Pastor Rodney Ruberg will officiate. Burial will be at Athens Cemetery, Athens. At Eleanore's request, there will be no public visitation or service. Memorials may be made to Akron Library or Kosciusko County Hospice. Online condolences may be sent at www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.
Pamela L. Lowe

Services for Pamela L. LOWE, 49, of 5651 N. 325 West, Rochester, who died Sunday are at 11 a.m. Saturday at IOOF Cemetery, Rochester. Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron, is handling arrangements.

Lester H. Shidaker

Services for Lester H. SHIDAKER, 93, of Rochester, formerly of Kewanna, will be held Monday, Oct. 20, 2008, at 1 p.m. at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, 123 East Main St., Kewanna.

He passed away at 3:25 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 15, 2008, at Woodlawn Hospital in Rochester.

Born Feb. 9, 1915, in Leiters Ford, he was the son of the late Jonas and Mae (Lunsford) Shidaker. On Dec. 26, 1937, he was married to Lois E. Lambert, she survives.

He was a 1933 graduate of Leiters Ford High School.

Lester formerly owned and operated Shidakers-DX/Sunoco Service Station in Kewanna for 42 years.

He was a school bus driver for Kewanna School for many years and a member of the Kewanna Church of Christ. In his younger years, Lester loved to pitch baseball and enjoyed bowling. In his later years, he enjoyed playing harmonica and for many years, he and his wife, Lois, wintered in Florida.

He is survived by his loving wife of 70 years, Lois Shidaker, Rochester; three daughters, Janice Bleeke and her husband, David, of Fort Wayne, Linda Worl and her husband, Bill, of Huntertown, and Trudy Cilek and her husband, Dewayne, of Crown Point; one sister, Gladys Leap of Culver; five grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren.

He was also preceded in death by one brother, Harry Shidaker, and one sister, Ethel Shidaker.

Friends may call from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 19, 2008, at the funeral home. Pastor Scott Meneely will officiate the service Monday and burial will be in Moon Cemetery, Kewanna.
Memorial contributions may be made to the Kewanna Church of Christ, P.O. Box 337, Kewanna, IN 46939. Online condolences may be made to the Shidaker family at www.harrisonmetzger.com.

Saturday, October 18, 2008

No Obituaries

Monday, October 20, 2008

**Dr. Albert M. Kaltenthaler**

Dr. Albert M. KALTENTHALER, 82, of Copley, Ohio, formerly of Kewanna, died at 8:05 a.m. Thursday in Cleveland, Ohio.

Born in Worms, Germany, he was the son of Albert P. and Hildegard W. Kaltenthaler. He married Joann Winnefeld and she survives.

Dr. Kaltenthaler was an accomplished forensic pathologist and dedicated physician for his entire career and was still practicing into his 80th year. Many interesting cases crossed his desk and he faced all of his occupational challenges with interest, enthusiasm and the utmost respect for his profession. His family, colleagues and friends will miss his love for life and music and his wonderful sense of humor.

As a teenager, he served his country in World War II with anti-aircraft and mountain troops in Germany. Following the war, he received his M.D. from Heidelberg University in Germany and emigrated to the United States.

Surviving are his wife of 52 years, Joann (Winnefeld) Kaltenthaler, Copley, Ohio; two sons, Albert (Jill) of Dewitt, Mich., and Karl (Florence Kot) of Copley, Ohio; two daughters, Eva (Stephen Spooner) of Sheffield, England, and Lisa (Rob Wimmel) of Downers Grove, Ill.; 13 grandchildren; and his brother, Josef Kaltenthaler of Ahrensburg, Germany.
His funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Fairlawn Lutheran Church, 3415 W. Market St., Fairlawn, Ohio, with Pastor Larry Leuthaeuser of the church officiating. Visitation will be from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. today at Billow Fairlawn Chapel, 85 N. Miller Road, Fairlawn. The family asks that memorial gifts be directed to the Chronic Disease Fund, 877-968-7233 or www.cdfund.org, or Multiple Myeloma Research Foundation at 203-652-0234 or www.multiplemyeloma.org.

**Manford 'Bud' Rife**

Manford "Bud" RIFE, 64, of 2905 Washington Ave., Bedford, formerly of Rochester, died Friday at Dunn Memorial Hospital, Bedford.

Survivors include his wife, Ellen L. Rife, Bedford; sons, Mark Charles Rife and Michael Alan Rife, Orleans; daughter, Kristina Louise Beyers, Mitchell; sister, Carol Rife, Kewanna; and brother, Jerry Rife, Kewanna.

A memorial service will be at 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 26, at Woodville Baptist Church, Mitchell. The family will receive friends after the service.

Tuesday, October 21, 2008

**Ruth A. Karn**

Ruth A. KARN, 70, Delong, died Sunday at her home.


Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at Delong Gospel Lighthouse Church with visitation from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the church. Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, is handling arrangements.
Manford 'Bud' Rife

Manford "Bud" RIFE, 64, of 2905 Washington Ave., Bedford, passed away at 9:59 p.m. Friday at Dunn Memorial Hospital in Bedford.

Born Feb. 17, 1944, in Rochester, he was the son of Lloyd and Dolly (Kingery) Rife. He married Ellen Louise Draper on April 3, 1971.

He was a funeral director and a member of Woodville Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Ellen L. Rife, Bedford; sons, Mark Charles Rife and wife Samantha, Orleans, and Michael Alan Rife, Orleans; daughter, Kristina Louise Beyers and husband Nicholas, Mitchell; sister, Carole Rife, Kewanna; brother, Jerry Rife, Kewanna; and seven grandchildren.

His parents and sister, Janet Loveless, preceded him in death.

A memorial service will be at 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 26, at Woodville Baptist Church, Mitchell. The family will receive friends following the service.

Memorial gifts may be made to Indiana Foster Care and Adoption Agency, Indianapolis; Baptist Children's Home, Valparaiso; Ronald McDonald House, Riley Hospital; or Pregnancy Care Centers of Bedford and Mitchell. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.chastainfuneralhome.com.

Stanley D. Teel

Stanley D. TEEL, 89, of 425 E. Sixth St., Rochester, died at 6:06 a.m. Monday at home.

He was born on Aug. 25, 1919, in Kosciusko County, the son of Norman and Mary Edna Entsminger Teel. They preceded him in death.

He was a 1937 graduate of Rochester High School.

On July 18, 1941, he married Louise Margaret Ault. She preceded him in death on July 29, 2005.
As a dedicated employee, Stanley worked for W.E. Gooch, McMahan-O'Connor Construction, E & B Paving and Reith-Riley. During his tenure, he specialized in heavy equipment, driving the front end loader and roller. Later, he served the companies as asphalt plant manager.

As a young man, Stan enjoyed America's favorite pastime from behind the plate. He served as catcher for local softball and baseball teams. Stan was the last living member of the Rochester Merchants team.

An accomplished trapshooter, Stanley organized and registered the first trapshooting club in Fulton County. He was a life member of the Amateur Trapshooting Association and a past president of the Indiana Trapshooter's Association. He also relaxed while embracing nature; through the years he enjoyed hunting, fishing and gardening.

While he and Louise wintered in Florida, Stan enjoyed crappie fishing on Lake Okeechobee. Locally he fished for bluegill and shared the catch of the day with family, friends and his church - annually preparing a fish fry for the members. The same was true when he harvested the produce from his vegetable garden. With help from his good friend Pastor Buck, 36 tomato plants grew in this year's garden, yielding a delightful crop he shared with his church family and special friends.

Stanley was awarded Gardener of the Month by the Rochester Garden Club for his meticulously kept yard and flower gardens.

Stanley was a devoted member of the Trinity United Methodist Church. He also was a loyal member of the Rochester Lions Club for more than 30 years.

As the patriarch of the family, Stanley will be remembered as a loving dad to his daughters and a grandpa who was admired by his grandchildren. The great-grandchildren will remember a cool grandpa who gave them Tootsie Roll Pops. In addition to his family, he also leaves behind many good friends, fishing buddies and his Trinity church family to cherish his memory and remember the good times they shared.
Survivors include two daughters, Cozetta Piper and husband Richard, Rochester, and Cynthia Bowers and husband Terry, Antwerp, Ohio; five grandchildren, Eric Piper, Jennifer Harris, Tim Bowers, Carolyn Leininger and Leslye Willison; and 16 great-grandchildren.

He was also preceded in death by his brother, Robert Teel, in 2001.

A celebration of the life of Mr. Stanley D. Teel will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St. (Indiana 14 West), Rochester. Pastor Buck Padilla and Pastor Will Lawson will officiate his services. Friends may visit with his family from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday and an hour prior to the service on Thursday. He will be laid to rest next to his loving wife of 54 years, Louise, at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Preferred memorials may be made to the Trinity United Methodist Church or Hope Hospice. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Wednesday, October 22, 2008

**Ruth A. Karn**

Ruth A. KARN, 70, Delong, died Sunday at her home.


Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at Delong Gospel Lighthouse Church with visitation from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. today at the church. Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, is handling arrangements.
Betty Jean Norris

Betty Jean NORRIS, 85, Phoenix, Ariz., formerly of Rochester, passed away on Oct. 18, 2008. A memorial service will be held at Orangewood Terraces Chapel, 7550 N. 16th St., Phoenix, Ariz., on Thursday, Oct. 23, at 2 p.m.

Betty was born on Sept. 28, 1923. She was married to Dewey E. Norris on Jan. 17, 1945. They were devoted to each other for more than 50 years, moved from Indiana to Phoenix in 1947 to start a new life, traveled around the world with friends, had many wonderful friends and always made time to serve the Lord in church and supported missionaries. Throughout the years, Betty enjoyed many visits from friends and family escaping from Indiana's cold winter weather. Betty enjoyed her time raising her daughter, volunteering at church, cooking, playing bridge and time with friends.

Betty is survived by her daughter, Kay Norris, of Phoenix; her three grandsons, Barry A. Mac Ban (Karli), Ryan Norris Mac Ban (Molly) and Michael C. Mac Ban; three great-grandchildren, Barry Mac Ban III, Willa Lu Mac Ban and Vincent Mac Ban.

She was loved and respected for the way she lived her life and served others. She will be missed by her family and friends.

Katherine A. Smith

Katherine A. SMITH, 48, Vincennes, died Sunday in Vincennes.

Survivors include her mother, Marilyn Enyart, Vincennes; three sons, Orville, Robert and James Evans; two daughters, Mandy Madison and Roxanne Evans; three brothers, Jeff Smith, Rochester, Melvin Smith, Kewanna, and Mike Smith; and three sisters, Anna Huebly, Mary Smith and Connie Stangle.

Services will be at 2 p.m. today at Fredrick & Son Funeral Home, Vincennes, with visitation from 10 a.m. until the service.
Mildred Meiser
Mildred "Millie" Lucille MEISER, 85, of 4596 Indiana 25 North, died Thursday at home.
Survivors include her husband, Harold Erwin Meiser, at home; four sons, Bruce Meiser, Mishawaka, Tom Meiser, Fort Wayne, Max Meiser, Fishers, and Mark Meiser, Louisville, Ky.; and a brother, Ernest Mathews, Lakeville.
Services will be at 1 p.m. Sunday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday and one hour prior to the service Sunday.

Luke Bryson Nordman
Luke Bryson NORDMAN was stillborn at 9:23 p.m. Wednesday at I.U. Medical Center, Indianapolis.
Arrangements are pending at Earl-Love Funeral Home, Akron.

Lorene D. Davis
Lorene D. DAVIS, 65, Monterey, died Wednesday at Pulaski Memorial Hospital, Winamac.
Survivors include her husband, Walter "Jim" Davis, Monterey; sons, Frederick J. Oswalt, Palm Beach County, Florida, Bryan E. Oswalt, Greencastle, Tim Davis, Monterey; daughter, Shawnna Dillinger, Auburn; brothers, Don Cooper, Doniphan, Mo., Harry J. Cooper, Winamac; and sisters, Olive Querry, Winamac, and Jennie J. Whittaker, Yucaipa, Calif.
Services will be at 2 p.m. today at Harrison-Metzger & Rans
Funeral Home, Royal Center. Visitation was Friday and is one hour
prior to the service today.

Robert Wayne Evans
Robert Wayne EVANS, 68, of 4634 N. 500 West, Rochester,
died Friday at home.
Survivors include three brothers, Raymond W. Evans, Smith,
Ala., Marvell E. Evans, Trenton, Mo., and Steve Evans, Petersburg;
and niece Danielle Jones, Rochester.
Services will be at 11 a.m. Monday at Good Family Funeral
Home, Rochester, with visitation from 9:30 a.m. until the service.

Lauretta M. Lee
Lauretta M. LEE, 88, of 1729 Wabash Avenue, Rochester,
passed away at 6 p.m. Thursday at her residence.
She was born on July 18, 1920, in Alma, Mich., the daughter of
Truman and Ida (Bookwalter) Combs. On Aug. 25, 1939, in
Nashville, she married Earl "Juggie" Lee. He preceded her in death on
Mrs. Lee was a beautician and operated Lauretta's Beauty Shop.
She had been a member of the Eastern Star, Macy United Methodist
Church and Trinity United Methodist Church, Rochester. She enjoyed
golf, knitting and crossword puzzles.
Survivors include her sons, Jerry E. and wife Barb Lee,
Rochester, and Jay K. and wife Teresa Lee, Kokomo; grandchildren,
Nik and wife Laura Lee, Glen Ellyn, Ill., Arik and wife Deb Lee,
Rochester, Justin Kip Lee, Newport Beach, Calif., Stacie and husband
Andrew Ross, Kalamazoo, Mich., Robert Kodrea, Indianapolis, and
Matthew Kodrea, Kokomo; great-grandchildren, Tanner Lee,
Rochester, Madeleine Lee, Glen Ellyn,, Ill., Nathaniel Lee, Glen
Ellyn, Ill., Addison Ross, Kalamazoo, Mich., and Truman Ross,
Kalamazoo, Mich.; several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in
death by two great-grandchildren, Darin Lee and Nathan Lee; sisters,
Margaret Mead and Cheryl Place; brothers, Byron Combs, Vic Combs and Dale Combs; and her parents.

Her funeral service will be conducted at 1 p.m. Wednesday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with the Rev. Buck Padilla officiating. Friends may call from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday and one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Burial will be in the Plainview Cemetery, Macy. Memorial contributions may be made to the Rochester Rotary Woodlawn Hospital Expansion Campaign. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

Mildred 'Millie' Lucille Meiser
July 18, 1923-Oct. 23, 2008

Lifetime Fulton County resident Mildred "Millie" Lucille MEISER, 85, of 4596 Indiana 25 North, Rochester, died at 1:13 a.m. Thursday at home.

Born in Fulton County, she was the daughter of Harley and Carrie Dudgeon Mathews.

Millie was a proud graduate of the Talma High School Class of 1941. On Oct. 11, 1946, in Fulton County, she and husband, Harold Erwin Meiser, were united in marriage, and he survives at home. Their union, spanning more than 62 years, yielded four sons: Bruce, Tom, Max and Mark. Later, the Meiser family tree grew with the addition of eight wonderful grandchildren.

Millie was a homemaker.

As travelers enjoying vacations, Millie and Harold looked forward to their annual winter trip to Florida. Other memorable destinations include locales in Europe and Australia. With all the adventures they shared and the memories they made during their travels, their very favorite place to be was home.

Together they enjoyed dominos and a variety of card games especially euchre and rummy. Each summer, pontooning on the glistening waters of Lake Manitou was a source of relaxation. Millie was a loyal member of the Bethlehem Baptist Church and a student of the Bible. She enjoyed selected readings each day. She also loved the challenges of solving crossword puzzles.
Millie is also survived by her sons, Bruce Meiser and wife Jill, Mishawaka, Tom Meiser and wife Sue, Fort Wayne, Max Meiser and wife Kathy, Fishers, and Mark Meiser, Louisville, Ky.; a brother, Ernest Mathews and wife Claire, Lakeville; her grandchildren, Kimberli, Kristine, Amber, Erica and Bradley Meiser, Josh Barker and Erik Barker and Justin Amber.

She was preceded in death by her parents; three sisters, Mary Kindig, Martha Hoffman and Minnie Mathews; and two brothers, Herman Mathews and Oliver Mathews.

A celebration of the life of Mrs. Mildred "Millie" L. Meiser will be at 1 p.m. Sunday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., (Indiana 14 West). Pastor Phil Pratt will officiate her service. Friends may visit with her family from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. today and an hour prior to her service Sunday. Preferred memorials may be made to the American Kidney Fund or the American Stroke Foundation. Envelopes are available at the funeral home. Millie's place of eternal rest is the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Vivian M. Holcomb Mersch
Vivian M. Holcomb MERSCH, 71, 1104 Jackson Blvd., died at 5:05 p.m. Friday at Pulaski Memorial Hospital, Winamac.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral home, Rochester.

Gerald J. Nies
Gerald J. NIES, 86, Royal Center, died at 3:50 p.m. Thursday at the Chase Center in Logansport.

Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home Royal Center.

Luke Bryson Nordman
Luke Bryson NORDMAN of Peru was born at 9:23 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 22, 2008, at I.U. Medical Center, Indianapolis, and died at 11:45 p.m. that night.
He is the son of Steven and Nicole Nordman, 915 Cherry Lane, Peru, and is also survived by his sister, Madisyn, age 4; paternal grandparents, Phil and Cheryl Nordman, Wabash, maternal grandparents, Jim and Marsha Gilkey, Peru, and the Rev. Carl and Mary Sweet, Peru, and Kathryn Hann, Peru; and great-grandparent, Doris Nordman, Akron.

He was preceded in death by great-grandparents Mary Gilkey and Truman Nordman.

A graveside service will be at 10 a.m. Monday at Mt. Hope Cemetery, 411 N. Grant St., Peru, with the Rev. Lowell Burrus officiating. Memorials in lieu of flowers may be made to Luke's family: Steven and Nicole Nordman, 915 Cherry Lane, Peru, IN 46970. Earl-Love Funeral Home, Akron, is handling arrangements. Online condolences may be made to earllovefh@gmail.com.

Nikki Anne Onstott

Nikki Anne ONSTOTT (nee Musselman) of Athens, Ga., passed away on Monday after a long bout with breast cancer. She was 69.

She is preceded in death by her mother, Bille Mae Musselman, her father, Glen Gordon Musselman, sisters, Nelrose Bryant and Nancy Funk, and brother, Nils Musselman.

Nikki is survived by her loving husband of almost 50 years, David; sister, Noelle Earnest, Sebring, Fla.; four children, daughters Laura (Steve) Griffith, Leslie (Darrell) Duerr, both of Oconee County, Georgia, and sons, Matthew (Asun) Onstott of Granada, Spain, and Adam Onstott, Athens, Ga.; five grandchildren, Stefanie Duerr, Alison Duerr, Elizabeth Griffith, all of Oconee County, and David and Daniel Onstott, Granada, Spain; as well as many nieces, nephews and extended family and friends.

Nikki was born on New Year's Eve 1938, in Terre Haute and spent most of her adolescent and teen years in Rochester. She attended Indiana and Indiana State universities, meeting her husband at I.U. They were married on April 18, 1959, and resided in Bloomington
Nikki will be cremated and a memorial service will be at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 30, at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Athens, Ga. In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to the St. Joseph Catholic Church building fund, Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation or St. Mary's Hospice House in Athens.

Monday, October 27, 2008

Edith E. 'Betty' Chapman
March 24, 1921–Oct. 25, 2008

Edith E. "Betty" CHAPMAN, 87, North Manchester, died at 10:01 a.m. Saturday at Peabody Healthcare Center, North Manchester.

Born in Talma, she was the daughter of Fred D. and Fern (Arter) Barr. She graduated from east Chicago High School in 1939 and from Gary Methodist School of Nursing in 1942. She was a member of Epsilon Sigma Alpha for 23 years and also belonged to the Congregational Christian Church, North Manchester.

She married Ralph P. Chapman on July 11, 1942, and he survives.

A registered nurse for 41 years, she worked at Gary Methodist Hospital, Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester, hospitals in Kansas and New Jersey, and Wabash County Hospital and Manchester Clinic, from which she retired in 1983.

She is also survived by a son, Bruce Chapman and companion Phillip Addario, Westport, Conn.; a daughter, Mrs. Bill (Susan) Greer, North Manchester; a sister, Mrs. Grover (Lois) Everhart, Kingsport, Tenn.; two grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a brother.

Her funeral service will be at 2 p.m. today at Peabody Chapel, 400 W. Seventh St., North Manchester, with calling from noon until the service. Pastor J. P. Freeman will officiate. Burial will be at Reichter Cemetery, Talma. Memorials may be made to Congregational Christian Church, 310 N. Walnut St., North
Melissa 'Missy' Gaus

POQUOSON, VA - Melissa "Missy" GAUS, 35, a native of Kewanna, and Poquoson resident the past 16 years, passed away Friday, Oct. 24, 2008. She was preceded in death by her father, Kenneth L. Keyser, and grandparents, Willard and Sally Foust.

Missy is survived by her husband, James "Jimbo" Gaus; two sons, Jesse Gaus and Joey Gaus; mother, Penny Keyser of Illinois; brother, Kenneth Keyser of Illinois; sister, Victoria Keyser of Indiana; and many nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. today at Claytor Rollins Funeral Home, Poquoson, immediately followed by a funeral service at 6 p.m. in the chapel by Pastor Don Marsh. At other times, the family will be at 777 Yorktown Road, Poquoson. Burial will be private at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Poquoson Band, or the Poquoson Athletic Department, Poquoson High School, 51 Odd Road, Poquoson, VA 23662. Online condolences to www.claytorrollins.com.

"Missy was a beloved wife, mother, daughter and sister."

Agnes C. Hartman

Agnes C. HARTMAN, 99, Monterey, died Saturday at Pulaski Memorial Hospital, Winamac.

Survivors include a brother, Winfred H. Hartman, Mesa, Ariz., and three sisters, Dorothy Morrison, Mesa, Ariz., Mildred Simpson, Higginsville, Mo., and Gertrude Hahn, Apache Junction, Ariz.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at St. Anne's Catholic Church, Monterey, with visitation from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday at Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver.
Edna Holloway

Edna HOLLOWAY, 78, Rochester, died at 9:05 a.m. Sunday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Vivian 'Biv' Holcomb Mersch

Vivian 'Biv" M. Holcomb MERSCH, 71, of 1104 Jackson Blvd., Rochester, died at 5:05 p.m. Friday at Pulaski Memorial Hospital, Winamac.

She was born July 6, 1937, to Ervin and Vesta Lockes Holcomb. A Leiters Ford resident most of her life, she lived in Rochester since 2000.

On Sept. 20, 1958, Vivian Holcomb and Larry J. Mersch repeated their wedding vows at the St. Anne's Catholic Church in Monterey. Nearly 40 years of marriage created a striking and close-knit family of two daughters, Juanita and Julie, and three sons, Scott, Bart and Stacey. The family tree continues to grow with the additions of 19 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

In addition to being a homemaker, Vivian was employed at Switches/Federal Mogul in Leiters Ford from 1979-1997. She also worked at Winamac Coil & Spring in Kewanna. Most recently, she was employed as one of our friendly cashiers at Rochester's Wal-Mart.

Relaxing at home, Vivian liked working crossword or number puzzles. Many times she would unwind while listening to country music. As a talented vocalist, music was significant in her life and her family's lives. On Saturday mornings, Vivian would travel to Logansport and sing on radio station WSAL. Many will remember her singing with the Tune Timers, based in Twelve Mile. At family gatherings, it was common for Vivian and her family to jam together creating renditions of their country favorites.

Larry, a history buff, and Vivian enjoyed taking their family vacationing. Most of their travel experiences revolved around visits to
historic locations or places in the western United States that they had seen on National Geographic Discovery channel. Memorable adventures include Yellowstone, Crater Lake, the Dakotas, California, Wyoming and Kentucky's Mammoth Cave. Later in life, Vivian's preferred vacation destinations were the Smokey Mountains and Gatlinburg.

Sharing her home were her faithful companions Toby, the Maltese, and her feline, Casey.

Paramount in her life was her family. Mom will be remembered for the delicious warm bread she baked every Saturday. That evening's supper always included fresh bread, fat cakes and hot chocolate. While cooking and preparing for the activities, Mom could be heard in the kitchen whistling familiar tunes. She was delighted to cook for the "army" at the holidays and special family occasions. She welcomed the grandkids home and was there to assist them with all of their endeavors in life. Grandma was one with whom you could share life's greatest secrets and she could always answer the toughest questions. It was with great pride that she observed their academic progress, cheered for them at athletic contests and embraced each graduation with special delight. Vivian, the matriarch of the Mersch clan, was her family's treasure; her warm smile, twinkling eyes, gentle demeanor and great sense of humor will be missed by her loving family and the many friends that were honored to know her. She leaves a legacy, a unique bit of herself, in each of her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

They are: daughters, Juanita Rude and husband Joe of Kewanna and their children, Jesse, Whitney, Derek, Drew, Darius and Sadie, and Julie Mooney and husband John of Rochester and their children, Lindsey, Brittany and Thadd; sons, Scott Mersch and wife Carla of Kewanna and their children, Tony, Dustin, Dennis, Bryant, Shiloh and Maleek, Bart Mersch and wife Crystal of Troy, Mo., and their children, MacKenzie, Jake and Keely, and Stacey Mersch and wife Patty of Nappanee and their children Payne and Larry; three great-grandchildren, Lily, Zoey and Olivia; two sisters, Sally Reed, Winamac, and Joan Utter and husband Stan, Rochester; four brothers,
Orville Holcomb and wife Katheryn, Lowell, Keith Holcomb and wife Ruthann, Griffith, Jerry Holcomb and wife Patsy, Anderson, and Joe Holcomb and wife Barbara, Plymouth; and a sister-in-law, Henrietta Holcomb of Rochester.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Larry, on Aug. 14, 1997; and three brothers, Jeff, Harold and Walter Holcomb.

A mass of Christian burial celebrating the life of Mrs. Vivian "Biv" Holcomb Mersch will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at St. Ann's Catholic Church, Kewanna. Father Burt Woolson and Father Joe Jacob will officiate her service. Friends may visit with Vivian's family from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St. (Indiana 14 West), Rochester. The rosary will be recited at 8 p.m. She will be laid to rest next to her beloved husband Larry at the Moon Cemetery, Kewanna. Spiritual bouquets may be made honoring the memory of Mrs. Mersch. Envelopes are available at the funeral home. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Ray S. Spencer
Ray S. SPENCER, 82, Lafayette, died Saturday.
Survivors include a son, Mark Spencer of Rochester.
Arrangements are pending.

Dennis M. Sylvain
Dennis M. SYLVAIN, 57, 1100 Park Road, Rochester, passed away at 2:36 p.m. Saturday at Northwood Village in Kokomo.
He was born on July 16, 1951, in Skowhegan, Maine, the son of Ernest and Claire (Henry) Sylvain. He served in the United States Air Force as a satellite telecommunications technician. He served at the Pentagon, in Germany and other overseas locations. He was an honor graduate of Ivy Tech.
Mr. Sylvain was employed for 20 years on the (CSX) C&O Railroad as the last freight agent in Fulton. He was also employed for
three years at Walker Manufacturing, Culver, 10 years at Switches/Federal Mogul, Leiters Ford and Logansport, and five years at Electo-Nite Company, Peru. He had served as a volunteer fireman for 10 years on the Fulton-Liberty Township Fire Department.

Mr. Sylvain was a life member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 1343, American Legion Post No. 36, Fraternal Order of Eagles No. 852, Elks Lodge No. 2120, Moose Lodge No. 1107 and was a past member of the Fulton-Grass Creek Lions Club.

Survivors include his children, Babette Sylvain, Rochester, Nanette and husband Matt Sherrick, Logansport, Paul Sylvain, Twelve Mile, Aaron and wife Ashley Sylvain, Twelve Mile, and Samuel and wife Melissa Sylvain, Peru; 13 grandchildren; his parents, Ernest and Claire Sylvain, Rochester, N.H.; brother, Norman Sylvain, Rochester, N.H.; sisters, Karen and husband Clovis Regis, Lebanon, Maine, Nancy and husband James Roy, Rochester, N.H., Sue Fox, Gilbert, Ariz.; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by two grandchildren.

Burial and graveside services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Thursday at Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester. Military graveside services will be conducted by the Rochester American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars posts. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society. Arrangements are by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

Tuesday, October 28, 2008

Edna B. Holloway

Edna B. HOLLOWAY, 75, of 29 E. 100 North, Rochester, died Sunday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

Survivors include her three daughters, Sharon Alderfer, Rochester, Sheila Hager, Akron, and Vickie Escobar, Rochester; three sisters, Eva Reese, Mildred Amigh and Alberta Smith of Rochester; and two brothers, Melvin Collins and Merl Collins of Rochester.
Services will be at 6 p.m. Wednesday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation from 4 p.m. until the service.

Wednesday, October 29, 2008

**Esther L. Rude**

Esther L. RUDE, 85, Kewanna, died Tuesday at Pulaski Health Care Center, Winamac.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Kewanna Church of Christ with visitation from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna, and one hour prior to the service Saturday at the church.

**Ray Spencer**

Ray SPENCER, 82, of Lafayette, died unexpectedly on Saturday, Oct. 25, 2008, at Home Hospital.

He graduated from Purdue University and Indiana University School of Social Work.

Mr. Spencer was director of Christamore House in Indianapolis, South Side and Lincoln Community Centers and Cary Home for Children in Lafayette. He worked at Purdue Achievement Center for Children and the Indiana Veterans Home. He was a volunteer worker at the Community Health Clinic and Habitat for Humanity.

He was an active member of First Baptist Church of Lafayette and Harrison Kiwanis Club.

Surviving are his wife of 57 years, Luann M. Spencer; two sons, Paul Spencer (wife: Joy) and Mark Spencer (wife: Jan); a daughter, Karen Lux (husband: Dennis); two foster daughters, Carmen Rodriguez (husband: Fred) and Irma McDowell (husband: Joe); a sister, Betty Masley (husband: Loren); and a brother, David Spencer (wife: Fran).

Also surviving are four grandchildren, Katie, Ryan and Reed Spencer and Sara Langworthy; three foster grandchildren, Kimberly Fantin, Julie Gorin and LisSandra McDowell; and six nieces and nephews, Beth, Lowell, Linda, Ruth, Julie and Laurel.
Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday at First Baptist Church, 411 N. seventh St., Lafayette, with a memorial service following at 7 p.m. In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to the Lafayette Community Health Clinic, Memorial Fund First Baptist Church or ALS Research.

Thursday, October 30, 2008

Gladys E. Deeds
March 27, 1918-Oct. 28, 2008

Gladys E. DEEDS, 90, of 1125 Main St., Rochester, died at 10:55 p.m. Tuesday at home. She was in failing health for one year.

Born in Wabash County, near Roann, she was the daughter of Harvey "Pop" and Ida Ochey Walker. She lived in Rochester for 44 years after moving from the Deedsville community in Miami County.

In 1937, she married Earl O. Deeds. He preceded her in death on Nov. 18, 1986.

She was employed by Hart Schaffner & Marx of Rochester and later worked for Owens Illinois of Warsaw. She retired in 1980.

She was a member of the Paw Paw Church near Roann and was also a Stanley Woman, selling cleaning products to her family and friends.

Survivors include two daughters, Jenice Armstrong, Rochester, and Deanna A. Bagley and husband Stan, North Manchester; two sons, Eugene O. Deeds and wife Karen, Rochester, and Earl O. Deeds Jr. and wife Carolyn, Rochester; seven grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; one great-great-granddaughter; and a sister, Mary Kathryn Campbell, Akron; and two brothers, Clifford Walker and wife Hazel, Peru, and Melvin Walker and wife Jewell, Wabash.

She was preceded in death by her parents, three sisters and seven brothers.

Her funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with the Rev. Richard Fox officiating. Burial will be at Chili Cemetery, Chili. Friends may visit from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday and one hour prior to the service.
Saturday at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Wm. Edward Gray

Wm. Edward GRAY, 93, of 827 E. Rochester St., Akron, died at 7:17 p.m. Tuesday in the emergency room at Lutheran Hospital of Indiana, Fort Wayne.

Born in Denver, he was the son of Richard and Gertrude E. Sunday Gray. He lived in the Akron area since 1927, coming from Mentone and Miami County. He married Elizabeth Ann Arter on Jan. 14, 1942, in Akron, and she survives.

Ed retired from Sonoco Products Co., Akron, in 1977 after 25 years there. He was the assistant plant manager in charge of production. He previously worked for True Temper or the Rittenhouse Company of Akron.

He was stationed in Washington, D.C., as a staff sergeant in the U.S. Army Air Corps in World War II. During that time, he stood guard over President Roosevelt's casket in the rotunda in Washington, D.C.

He was a member of Akron United Methodist Church. He enjoyed fishing and golfing.

In addition to his wife, Elizabeth Ann Gray of Akron, he is survived by a son, Philip E. and wife Ivy Gray, Fort Wayne; a granddaughter, Holly and husband Ted Raney, Fort Wayne; a grandson, Brian and wife April Gray, Fort Wayne; three great-granddaughters, Aliya Raney, Gretchen Raney and Morgan Miller; a great-grandson, Wyatt Raney; three sisters, Mary Ellen Wise, Warsaw, Vivian Spence, Rochester, and Lois and husband Allen Woolley, Akron; a brother, Garland "Bud" and wife Shirley Gray, Akron; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Cora Katherine Benner; and four brothers, Richard O., Clifford, John W. and Robert Gray.
Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Pastor Karen Ottjes and Pastor Steve Fleck officiating. Burial will be at Akron Cemetery, where graveside military rites will be performed by LeRoy Shelton American Legion Post No. 36 and Manitou Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 1343, both of Rochester. Visitation will be from noon until the service Saturday. Memorials may be made to Akron United Methodist Church, Akron. Online condolences: www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

Carol J. Klimes
Carol J. KLIMES, 72, Lucerne, died Tuesday at Logansport Memorial Hospital, Logansport.
Survivors include her husband, Richard D. Klimes, Lucerne; children, David R. Klimes, Greenwood, Daniel L. Klimes, Logansport, Diane M. Erickson, Logansport, Douglas A. Klimes, Louisville, Ohio, and Debra R. Julian, Logansport; and sisters, Karen Sue Starr, Richland, Iowa, Kristy Albirght, Beeman, Iowa, and Kathy Coleman, Richland, Iowa.
Services will be at 11 a.m. Friday at All Saints Catholic Church, Logansport, with visitation from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. today at Marocco Funeral Chapel, Logansport.

Anthony Peters
Anthony "Tony" PETERS, 58, of 709 Travis Road, New Cumberland, W.Va., formerly of Mentone, died Oct. 17 in New Cumberland.
Survivors include three sisters, Mary Shoemaker, North Webster, Eileen Bradford, North Manchester, and Diana Miller, Madison, Wis.; and three brothers, Gary Peters, Indianapolis, Darryl Peters and Ronald Peters, Warsaw.
Services will be at noon Saturday at King Memorial Home, Mentone, with visitation one hour prior to the service.
Fred L. Richardson

Fred L. RICHARDSON, 77, of 1324 19th Road, Tippecanoe, died Wednesday at home.

Survivors include his wife, Virginia Richardson, Tippecanoe; two sons, Rick Richardson, Tippecanoe, and Randy Richardson, Mentone; a sister, Katherine Kizer, Michigan; and a brother, Bill Richardson, Schoolcraft, Mich.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Sunday at King Memorial Home, Mentone, with visitation from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home.

Esther L. Rude

Nov. 16, 1922-Oct. 28, 2008

Services for Esther L. RUDE, 85, of Kewanna will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Kewanna Church of Christ.

She died at 2 a.m. Tuesday at Pulaski Health Care Center, Winamac.

Born Nov. 16, 1922, in Akron, Ohio, she was the daughter of the late Russell and Bertha (Lidgard) Jump. On Sept. 8, 1940, in Winamac, she was married to Wilber J. Rude and he preceded her in death on Jan. 27, 1993.

Esther was a 1940 graduate of Winamac High School.

Esther was a homemaker and she also formerly worked for United Telephone Company, Kewanna and Winamac, and Mar-Lo Restaurant, Kewanna. She was a member of the Kewanna Church of Christ, Kewanna Saddle Club, Kewanna Mothers Club and a former member of Pinhook Grange. Esther enjoyed singing with the choir at church and spending time with her grandchildren.

Survivors include two sons, Stephen Rude and his wife Donna of Rochester and Joe Rude and his wife Juanita of Kewanna; 10 grandchildren, Michael, Thomas, Andy and Charles Rude, Derek, Whitney and Drew Brockus, and Jesse, Darius and Sadie Rude; eight great-grandchildren, Shanda, Zachary, Jacob, Coleman, Bill, Jimmie, Josh and Olivia Rude; and one great-great-granddaughter, Myli Rude.
She was also preceded in death by one brother, Robert Jump, and two sisters, Dorothy Schweder and Alice Frarzen.

Burial will be in Citizens IOOF Cemetery, Kewanna, with Pastor Scott Meneely officiating.

Friends may call from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, 123 E. Main St., Kewanna, and also one hour prior to the service at the church on Saturday.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Kewanna Church of Christ, P.O. Box 337, Kewanna, IN 46939.

Online condolences may be made to the family at www.harrisonmetzger.com.

**Joseph Maurice Van Dalsen II**


Joseph Maurice Van DALSEN II, 60, Macy, passed away at 11:50 a.m. Wednesday at his residence.

Born Sept. 13, 1948, in Rochester, he was the son of Joseph Maurice and Nora "Maggie" Magdalene Graham Van Dalsen.

Survivors include his mother, Nora "Maggie" Van Dalsen, Albany, Ky.; two sisters, Joyce (Bing) Spitler, Mason, Ohio; Jane (Dan) Angeline, Corpus Christi, Texas; a niece, Nanette (Kevin) Durr, LaMars, Iowa; a nephew, Scott Joseph (Amy) Spitler, Glen Allen, Va.; and great-nieces and great-nephews, Aiden Spitler and Emily Spitler, Glen Allen, Va., Curtis Durr, Whitney Durr, and Jackie Durr, LeMars, Iowa.

He was preceded in death by his father.

He was a railroad engineer for CSX, retiring after 30 years on Aug. 29, 2001.

A United States Army veteran, he served during Vietnam. He played trumpet and served an attachment at the United States School of Music in Little Creek, Va.

He was a 1974 graduate of Ball State University, receiving his degree in social science education. He was known as an expert of Macy and Allen Township history.
He was a member of the LeRoy Shelton American Legion Post No. 36 of Rochester, where he served as bugler for almost 30 years; Elks, Peru; ABATE Indiana; and was a member of the Peru Circus Band for many years.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver. Rev. Fr. Francis I. Kilcline III will officiate. Burial will follow in Plainview Cemetery, Macy, with military graveside rites provided by the Fulton County military rites team. Friends may call from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

Friday, October 31, 2008

**Ronald M. 'Bo' Breitweiser**

Ronald M. "Bo" BREITWEISER, 69, Macy, died Thursday at Fairmont Rehabilitation, Kokomo.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Fred L. Richardson**


Fred L. RICHARDSON, 77, of 1324 19th Road, Tippecanoe, died at 6:35 a.m. Wednesday at home.

Born in Athens, he was the son of Talfred and Sylvia Werner Richardson. He graduated from Talma High School in 1950.

On May 4, 1952, he married Virginia R. Scott in Rochester, and she survives.

He served in the National Guard and was a lifelong farmer. He retired from the Tippecanoe Volunteer Fire Department.

He was an avid hunter and fisherman and enjoyed a variety of other outdoor activities. He liked to attend hit-and-miss engine and historic power shows.

In addition to his wife, Virginia Richardson, Tippecanoe, he is survived by two sons, Rick and wife Jana Richardson, Tippecanoe, and Randy and wife Darlene Richardson, Mentone; a sister, Katherine Kizer, Michigan; a brother, Bill and wife Donna Richardson,
Schoolcraft, Mich.; two grandchildren, Crystal and husband Chuck Shafer and John Maahs; and five great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a grandson, Robert Richardson, in 1988; a sister, Annabelle Kohl; three brothers, Bob, Cliff and James Richardson; and his parents.

His funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Sunday at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone, with Pastor Larry Kreft officiating. Burial will be at Tippecanoe Cemetery, Tippecanoe. Visitation will be from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the American Diabetes Association. Online condolences can be sent at www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

Saturday, November 1, 2008

Myrl Annis Crum

Myrl Annis CRUM, 84, of 11654 W. 18B Road, Argos, died at 3:50 p.m. Thursday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester, following a week-long illness.

Born in Burr Oak, the son of Annis Victor and Ida Grace Crum, he lived all his life in the Marshall County area. He graduated from Culver High School with the Class of 1944.

He served in the U.S. Army during World War II from 1945-1946 in the 3766th Quartermaster Truck Company, where he earned the rank of sergeant.


He was a pipe fitter and plumber for Bendix, South Bend, and retired in 1985.

He was a member of Jordan Baptist Church, Argos, and a former member of the James Lowell Corey American Legion Post No. 68, Argos.
Survivors include his wife, Betty Crum, Argos; two sons, Annis E. Crum and his wife Linda and Richard R. Crum and his wife Donna, all of Argos; two daughters, Paulette McCalvin and Patti Willis and her husband Rick, all of Argos; three stepdaughters, Julia Grzesiak and husband Pat, Argos, Joyce Downs and husband Bruce, South Bend, Pamela Calhoun and husband Brian, Plymouth; two stepsons, Charles Campbell and wife Lisa, Argos, and Freddie Campbell and wife Sandy, Akron; seven grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; nine stepgrandchildren; two stepgreat-grandchildren; three brothers, Paul Crum and wife Lorraine, Culver, Ned "Butch" Crum and wife Diane, Kentucky, John Crum and wife Vickie, Argos; and a sister, Rosalyn Arndt of Jay Em, Wyo.

He was also preceded in death by his parents; a son, Myrl Crum Jr.; brothers, LeRoy "Bus" Crum and Bruce Crum; and a sister, Peggy Morris.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Monday at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos, with visitation from 9 a.m. until the service. The Rev. Robert Rice and Rev. Thomas Tupps will officiate. Burial will be at New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, 601 W. Edison, Mishawaka, IN 46545. Electronic condolences may be sent to the family at memorials@earl-grossmanfuneral.com.

Laura Luella Williams

Laura Luella WILLIAMS, 70, of 335 Indiana Ave., Rochester, died at 5:32 a.m. Friday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester, where she was a patient since Tuesday. Her health was failing for two years.

Born in Macy, the daughter of William P. and Dorothy Shaw Smith, she lived her entire life in the Rochester community.

On May 23, 1958, in Rochester, she married Hermon Williams, who survives at home.

Laura retired in 1989 after working for Rochester Metal and Controls Inc., Logansport.
She loved her role as grandma and great-grandma. She was an avid Elvis Presley fan and collector of his memorabilia.

She is also survived by a daughter, Idella Beliles and husband Bill, Rochester; two sons, William E. Smith and wife Sheila, Rochester, and Ricky D. Smith; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren; a sister, Phyllis Barrett, Rochester; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a sister, Patricia Jyland.

Her funeral service will be at 7 p.m. Monday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Chaplain Jason See officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 5 p.m. until the service. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Monday, November 3, 2008

A. Maxine Ault

A. Maxine AULT, 85, of 7506 S. 600 West, Claypool, died Sunday at Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw.

Survivors include a daughter, Connie Ault, Indianapolis; a son, Mike Ault, Claypool; and a sister, Mary Tucker Bucher, Mentone.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at King Memorial Home, Mentone, with visitation from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

Richard D. Riggle

Richard D. RIGGLE, 82, Roachdale, died Sunday.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Ford Riggle; four sons, Charley Riggle, Roachdale, Ron Riggle, Rochester, David Gatlin, Crawfordsville, Danny Westbrook, Fort Mill, S.C.; and one daughter, Kathy Westbrook Collings, Zionsville.
Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at Servies & Morgan Funeral Home, Roachdale, with visitation from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

Tuesday, November 4, 2008

William D. Ingram

William "Bill" D. INGRAM, 69, of 233 E. Ada St., Francesville, died at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday at St. Vincent Heart Center, Indianapolis.

Born in Kewanna, he was the son of Charles Lee Ingram and Lillian Nelson Ingram. They preceded him in death.

On Nov. 27, 1970, he married Mary A. Hoover in Demotte, and she survives.

In addition to his wife, Mary A. Ingram, Francesville, he is survived by three daughters, Lori (Andy) Kamp, Kewanna, Lynda (Bryan) Guard, New Paris, and Trina (Mark) Samuels, Lafayette; a stepdaughter, Tonya (Eric) Gillikin, Beaufort, N.C.; grandchildren, Andrea Kamp, Kewanna, Ashley (Rick) Kamp Morris, South Bend, Tyler Bailey and Brittany Bailey, both of Lafayette; stepgrandchildren, Travis (Melanie) Bartram, Copperas Cove, Texas, and Tasha (Justin) Castro, Oak Harbor, Wash.; stepgreat-grandchildren, Autumn Menard, Nevaeh Bartram, Serinity Bartram, all of Copperas Cove, Texas; a sister, Shirley Bussert, Kewanna; and a brother, Jay Ingram, Indianapolis.

He was also preceded in death by three brothers, Woodson, Richard and Donald Ingram, and a daughter, Kimberly K. Ingram.

His service was at 2 p.m. Sunday at Frain Mortuary, Winamac, with Pastor James Ketchen officiating. Burial was at Barnett Cemetery, Kewanna.
Richard D. 'Buck' Riggle
June 11, 1926-Nov. 2, 2008

Richard D. "Buck" RIGGLE, 82, of Roachdale passed away on Sunday.

He was born June 11, 1926 at Roachdale to Charles V. and Ethel Marie Dickerson Riggle.

He served in the U.S. Navy on LST 288 in the Pacific theater from 1944 to 1946. He retired from the U.S. Post Office in Roachdale, where he worked from 1954 to 1981. He also operated Riggle Repair and Upholstery Shop from 1962 to 1981. He was a member of Roachdale Masonic Lodge, Roachdale VFW and Roachdale Presbyterian Church.

Surviving is his wife, Mary Ford Riggle; four sons, Charley (Phyllis) Riggle of Roachdale, Ron (Donna) Riggle of Rochester, David (Brigitte) Gatlin of Crawfordsville, Danny (Diane) Westbrook of Fort Mill, S.C.; one daughter, Kathy (Gary) Westbrook Collings of Zionsville; 12 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; eight great-great-grandchildren; and one brother, George (Verlena) Riggle of Richmond. One son, Tom Gatlin, and one sister, Ruby Brunst Byrd, preceded him in death.

Funeral services will be Wednesday at Servies & Morgan Funeral Home at 102 E. Washington St., Roachdale, at 10:30 a.m. Rev. Alan Small will officiate. Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. today at the funeral home. Masonic memorial services will be at 7:30 p.m. today. Roachdale VFW will conduct military honors at the graveside.

Memorials may be made to either the Roachdale Presbyterian Church at P.O. Box 189, Roachdale, IN 46172, or Roachdale Community Garden Project, make payable to Putnam County Community Foundation at P.O. Box 36, Roachdale, IN 46172. Online condolences may be made at serviesmorgan.com.

Wednesday, November 5, 2008

No Obituaries
Thursday, November 6, 2008

Betty M. Grossnickle
Sept. 19, 1922-Nov. 4, 2008

Betty M. GROSSNICKLE, 86, formerly of 19 Broadmoor Drive, Wabash, died at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday at Miller's Merry Manor East in Wabash.

She was born Sept. 19, 1922, in Wabash County, to Leonard and Pearl (Preston) Kizer.

Betty married Carl E. Grossnickle in Wabash on April 12, 1941; he died Nov. 12, 1990. She was a member of Christ United Methodist Church, Wabash, and the Miriam Circle of the church. Betty was a former volunteer at the Wabash County Hospital.

She is survived by her son, Dennis (Christi) Grossnickle of Rochester; two daughters, Beverly (Jon) Grey and Sharon (Joe) Deeter, both of Wabash; six grandchildren, David (Kelli) Singer of North Manchester, Dirk Singer of Greensboro, N.C., Eric (Susie) Grey of Manchester, N.H., Anne (Steve) Lyng of Middlebury, Clint Grossnickle of Ann Arbor, Mich., Jessie Grossnickle of New York, N.Y.; two great-grandchildren, Kortnee Singer and Karla Singer, both of North Manchester. She was preceded in death by her three brothers, Rex and Wayne and Glen Kizer, and her sister, Gladys Gill.

Funeral services will be held at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 1241 Manchester Ave., Wabash, at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, with Rev. Phil Lake officiating. Burial will be in Memorial Lawns Cemetery, Wabash. Friends may call from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. Preferred memorial is Wabash County Hospital Foundation or Christ United Methodist Church. The memorial guestbook for Betty may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com.

Elmer H. Trier

Elmer H. TRIER, 91, Fort Wayne, died Tuesday at Lutheran Home.

Survivors include sons, Rev. Orlando Trier, Portland, Ore., and Randy Trier, Rochester.
Services will be at 1 p.m. Friday at Lutheran Home Chapel, Fort Wayne, with visitation one hour prior to the service. Hockemeyer & Miller Funeral Home, Fort Wayne, is handling arrangements.

Friday, November 7, 2008

Frances E. Hewes

Frances E. HEWES, 85, South Bend, formerly of Culver, died Wednesday at 61570 Meadowlark Lane, South Bend.

Services will be at noon Saturday at St. Mary's of the Lake Catholic Church, Culver, with visitation one hour prior to the service. Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, is handling arrangements.

Saturday, November 8, 2008

No Obituaries

Monday, November 10, 2008

Ellen Richard

April 9, 1931-Nov. 8, 2008

Ellen RICHARD, 77, of 318 W. 10th St., Rochester, died unexpectedly at 7 a.m. Saturday at her residence.

Born in Pulaski County to Theodore and Hope Williams Reinholt, she lived in Fulton County for 53 years.

She was a homemaker and was also employed by the Fulton County Council on Aging. She retired in 1997 after 22 years of service.

Her grandchildren were her hobby; the enjoyment of loving her grandchildren and great-grandchildren meant the world to her. She loved all babies and children.

Survivors include four daughters, Mary Rockenbaugh and husband Jim, Peru, Rita Jenkins and husband Jim, Ruth Gunter and Dwight, Jane Richard, all of Rochester; eight sons, Frank Keitzer and wife Ruby, Theodore Richard and wife Lynda, Hugh Richard and
wife Vicky, Charles Richard, Carl Richard and wife Charla, Joe Richard, all of Rochester, Mark Richard and wife Kris, Holiday, Fla., and Ed Richard, Avon; two sisters, Ladyne Millican, Jackson, Ga., and Ethel Loehmer and husband Ralph, Monterey; a brother, Richard Reinholt and wife Ellen, West Virginia; 34 grandchildren; and 20 great-grandchildren with four more on the way.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Paul Keitzer; a son, James Edward Richard, in infancy; an infant granddaughter, Traci Richard; a daughter-in-law, Carla Richard; and a brother, Russell Reinholt.

A public graveside service will be at 4 p.m. Tuesday at Citizen's Cemetery, Rochester, with her grandson, Thomas Landis, officiating. A time of fellowship, sharing and remembering Ellen's life will be from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Memorials may be made to Manitou Training Center. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Tuesday, November 11, 2008

No Paper-Holiday

Wednesday, November 12, 2008

Jean E. Brown
Feb. 22, 1915-Nov. 8, 2008

Jean E. BROWN, 93, North Manchester, formerly of Converse, died at 10 p.m. Saturday at Timbercrest Healthcare Center, North Manchester.

Born in Stockton, Ill., the daughter of Avery and Sadie Ellen (Lutz) Stouffer, she graduated from Lena, Ill., High School in 1932. She earned a Bachelor of Science degree at Manchester College in 1937.

She taught business and music at Pearl City, Ill., High School from 1937-1938, and at Deedsville from 1938-1942. She and her husband co-owned Brown's Hatchery, Converse, from 1942-1978.

She was a member and past president of Pierian Club and member and past president of Department Club, both of Converse. Jean enjoyed reading, playing the keyboard, visiting with friends and playing cards.

While living in Converse, she was a member of Richland United Methodist Church, where she served as organist and choir director for 25 years. She was also a member of North Manchester United Methodist Church.

Survivors include her daughter, Linda (Roy) Chapman, Naples, Fla.; her sister, Evelyn (Paul) Bowman, Lenexa, Kansas; five grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

One son, Larry Brown, died in 1979. She was also preceded in death by two brothers.

Her funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Thursday at Timbercrest Chapel, 2201 East St., North Manchester, with visitation from 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. Pastor Larry Ray will officiate. Burial will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at Gardens of Memory, Marion. Memorials may be made to the Leicester & Jean Brown Scholarship Fund at Manchester College, 604 E. College Ave., North Manchester, IN 46962, or Timbercrest Senior Living Community, P.O. Box 501, North Manchester, IN 46962. Condolences may be e-mailed to delauthermckee.com.

Grace Louise (Conrad) Brubaker

July 23, 1921-Nov. 11, 2008

Grace Louise (Conrad) BRUBAKER, 87, of Kokomo, died at 1 a.m. on Veterans Day, Tuesday, Nov. 11, 2008, in St. Joseph Hospital, Kokomo.

She was born on July 23, 1921, in Rochester to Mary Jane (Anglemyer) Conrad and Roscoe Conrad.

On April 27, 1946, in Rochester, Grace married Roy D. Brubaker and he preceded her in death.
Mrs. Brubaker was a graduate of Rochester High School. She then went on to nursing school at Wishard Hospital in Indianapolis. After graduating in 1943, she became a registered nurse.

During World War II, the country was recruiting for professionals in the health care field. Grace served the United States as an Army nurse from March 2, 1943, until Jan. 7, 1946.

After the war, Grace continued her career at Howard Community Hospital from 1965 until 1973. She then went on to work for the Indianapolis Industrial Clinic from 1973 until 1980.

Mrs. Brubaker loved her family dearly and was a devoted member of St. Lukes United Methodist Church in Kokomo. She also volunteered with the Red Cross Bloodmobile.

She is survived by two daughters, Ann L. Patterson and her husband Fred of Kokomo, and Sharon J. Brubaker of Owosso, Mich.; a dear family friend, like a daughter to Grace, is Judy Mattoon of Owosso, Mich.; a brother, Rev. Byron Conrad and his wife Betty of Sacramento, Calif.; two grandchildren, Jennifer Patterson and her husband Steven Skovensky of Chicago, Ill., and Jim Patterson and his wife Stacy of Losantville; one great-granddaughter, Taylor Lynn Patterson of Losantville.

Visitation for the Brubaker family will be held from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday at Ellers Mortuary, 3400 S. Webster St., Kokomo. Mrs. Brubaker's funeral will be conducted at 1 p.m. Saturday in Ellers Mortuary, Webster Street Chapel, with Rev. Harold Williams officiating. Burial rites will follow at approximately at 3 p.m. at the IOOF Cemetery in Rochester. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Lukes United Methodist Church or to the charity of the donor's choice. Online condolences may be sent to the Brubaker family at www.ellersmortuary.com.

Carl D. Huffman
Nov. 8, 1925-Nov. 9, 2008

Services for Carl D. HUFFMAN, 83, of Deer Creek, will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at the Grass Creek United Methodist Church.
He died at 11:15 p.m. Sunday at Logansport Memorial Hospital.

Born on Nov. 8, 1925, in South Bend, he was the son of the late Thurman and Vera (Lower) Huffman. On Dec. 24, 1943, he married Dorothy Hill and she preceded him in death on Dec. 8, 1994. He then married Charlotte L. Myers on April 5, 1997, she survives.

He was a 1943 graduate of Grass Creek High School and a World War II Navy veteran.

Carl was also a former member of the Grass Creek United Methodist Church, where he taught Sunday School for many years and where he enjoyed singing in the traveling "Good News Quartet." He was a former volunteer fireman for the Grass Creek Fire Department and a Caston School Board member for 10 years. Carl was also a member of the First Baptist Church in Galveston.

He was a carpenter and foreman for Ed Medland and Son Construction Company in Logansport for 29 years before retiring in 1974, and he was also the building services manager at the National City Bank Building in Logansport for 19 years retiring in 1994.

Survivors include his wife, Charlotte L. Huffman of Deer Creek; one son, Alan Huffman and wife Jessica of Brownsburg; two daughters, Elaine Hartigan and husband Jack of Sparta, N.J., and Rita Ault and husband Carl of Rochester; two stepsons, Paul Myers and wife Sharron of Deer Creek and Bob Myers and wife Jo-Ann of Southington, Conn.; one stepdaughter, Jane Myer and husband Tom of Deer Creek; seven grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; seven stepgrandchildren; and nine stepgreat-grandchildren.

He was also preceded in death by brothers, Joseph, Donald and Albert Huffman and sister Helen Huffman.

Pastors Aaron Webb and Warren Purcell will officiate the service and burial with military rites will be conducted at the Grass Creek Cemetery, Kewanna.

Friends may call from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Homes, Kewanna chapel, and also one hour prior to the service at the church.
Memorial contributions may be made to the Grass Creek United Methodist Church and/or the First Baptist Church in Galveston. Online condolences may be made to the Huffman Family at www.harrisonmetzger.com.

Thursday, November 13, 2008

No Obituaries

Friday, November 14, 2008

Phillip Keller

Phillip KELLER, 86, Monterey, died at 7:35 a.m. Thursday at Miller's Merry Manor, Culver.

Arrangements are pending at Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver.

Celia J. Montague

Celia J. MONTAGUE, 95, formerly of Bourbon, died Thursday at Bremen Health Care Center.


Services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday at United Pentecostal Church, Bourbon, with visitation from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. today at Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, Bourbon, and one hour prior to the service Saturday at the church.

Greg Peter

Greg PETER, 51, of Country Club Drive, Rochester, died Wednesday at St. Anthony Memorial, Michigan City.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.
Michael Eugene Andrews Sr.
July 21, 1943-Nov. 14, 2008

Michael Eugene ANDREWS Sr., 65, P.O. Box 623, Delong, died at 1:30 a.m. Friday at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, South Bend, following a very lengthy illness.

Born in Argos, the son of Thomas A. and Martha (Byers) Andrews, he attended Argos High School. He moved from Plymouth to Delong 20 years ago. On June 9, 2000, in Delong, he married Patsy Stockton.

He served his country in the U.S. Army from Feb. 1, 1962, to Aug. 9, 1969. He worked as a brick layer.


He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Thomas LeRoy Andrews Jr.; a sister, Linda Howard; and a grandson, Jonathan Andrews.

Friends may visit with the family from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. Monday at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos. His service will be at 7 p.m. Monday with the Rev. Lloyd Howard officiating. Burial will be at Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos. Memorials may be made to: The Family of Michael E. Andrews Sr., Attn: Andrews Memorial, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos, IN 46501. Electronic condolences may be sent to the family at memorials@earlgrossmanfuneral.com.
Jean M. Balmer  
Jean M. BALMER, 50, 10275 N. Indiana 19, Macy, died at 8:19 a.m. Friday due to an automobile accident at Indiana 19 and County Road 800 North in Miami County.  
Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

Philip M. Keller  
Philip M. KELLER, 87, Monterey, died Thursday at Miller's Merry Manor, Culver.  
Survivors include his wife, Dorothy Berger; a son, William Keller, Monterey; a daughter, Marsha Daugherty, Winamac; and a brother, Richard Keller, Monterey.  
Services will be at 10 a.m. Monday at St. Anne's Catholic Church, Monterey, with visitation from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday. Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, is handling arrangements.

Gregory A. Peter  
Aug. 30, 1957-Nov. 12, 2008  
Gregory A. PETER, 51, of 2915 Country Club Drive East, Rochester, died at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday at St. Anthony Memorial, Michigan City.  
Born in Harvey, Ill., he was the son of Donald George and Marilyn E. Raney Peter. His father preceded him in death on May 19, 2007. He moved to Rochester from Homewood, Ill., in 1970, and was a member of the Rochester High School Class of 1975.  
On July 30, 1978, Greg married his best friend and the love of his life, Julie Ann Johnson in an outdoor ceremony near Rochester. Their marriage of 30 years produced three children: Lanae, Jessica and Aaron. Most recently his grandson, Adarius, was added to the family tree.  
As a talented fabricator, Greg worked for the sheet metal division of Climate Makers Inc., Peru. Earlier he was co-owner of Mid-West Sheet Metal and later owner of Air-Tec. As a young man, he learned the fabrication trade and apprenticed with Al Zeyen.
Julie and Greg enjoyed growing a variety of exotic hybrid orchids in their home. A fun day for the family was a day including "Home Improvement," working on projects, led by Greg, together as a team.

Being very meticulous, Greg made certain the closets, tool chests and kitchenware met his specifications for organization. He was known for his excellent taste in selecting trendy clothing and jewelry for his wife and children. Many weekend mornings Greg would awaken first and cook breakfast for the household. He also enjoyed grilling out.

Greg was a gifted member of well-known bands Brandy Creek, Treated & Released and Undercover Blues. He played the bass guitar and was on vocals for the bands. He also belonged to Olive Branch Church of God, Roann.

To relax, Greg enjoyed reading mysteries and suspense. He also enjoyed antiquing and collecting nesting dolls, Delftware and Fostoria crystal and art glass.

Christmas was Greg's favorite holiday. He loved to decorate for the holidays both in his home and outside. He was delighted each year to assemble the village and train set on the hutch and oak table in perfect sight for all the holiday visitors to see. Gift wrapping was his forte and he spent hours employing the perfect designs that would rival his chief competitor, Martha Stewart.

His family was paramount in his mind. He adored his grandson, Adarius, treasured his children, and was devoted to his loving wife, Julie. He always had time to help his mother and sisters and brother. He delighted in playfully wrestling with his nephews and nieces. Greg leaves behind to cherish his memory: his loving family, fellow band members, colleagues from Climate Maker and many friends he made during life's journey.

Survivors include his wife, Julie A. Peter, at home; two daughters, Lanae Peter, Rochester, and Jessica Peter, at home; a son, Aaron Peter, at home; a grandson, Adarius W. Ranstead, Rochester; his mother, Marilyn E. Peter; three sisters, Laura S. Berkey and husband Scott, Goshen, Donna Ortmann and husband DelRoy,
Kokomo, and Joellyn R. Detjen and husband Matt, Indianapolis; a brother, Daniel G. Peter and wife Kelli R., Lafayette; his mother-in-law, Sue Johnson, Rochester; two brothers-in-law, Paul Johnson and wife Melinda, Columbus, and Dave Johnson and wife Shelly, Fulton; and nieces, nephews and cousins.

A celebration of the life of Gregory Allen Peter will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Olive Branch Church of God, 4581 E. 1200 North, Roann, with the Rev. Lowell Burrus officiating. Burial will be at IOOF Cemetery, Rochester. Friends may visit with the family at the church from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday and one hour prior to the service Tuesday. Preferred memorials may be made to Shop with a Cop or the Olive Branch Church Instrumental Music Fund. Arrangements have been entrusted to Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be sent to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Daniel W. Swick

Daniel W. SWICK, 47, of 308 S. First St., North Manchester, died Sunday at home.

Survivors include Sally Miller, North Manchester; his parents, Donald and Margaret Swick, Huachuca, Ariz.; a son, Travis Swick, Warsaw; two daughters, Brenda and Kacie Miller, North Manchester; a sister, Amanda Kelley, Peterborough, N.H.; two brothers, Timothy Swick, Warsaw, and Mark Swick, Kokomo.

Private graveside services will be held later. Visitation will be from noon to 2 p.m. today at King Memorial Home, Mentone.

Monday, November 17, 2008

Jean M. Balmer


Jean M. BALMER, 50, 10275 N. Indiana 19, Macy, died at 8:19 a.m. Friday.
Born in Rochester, she was the daughter of Robert F. and Norma J. Shaffer Smith. She graduated from Rochester High School in 1977.


She worked as a bus aide for North Miami School Corp. and was a member of the LeRoy Shelton American Legion Post No. 36 Auxiliary and the Eagles No. 852 Auxiliary, both of Rochester. Jean was also a very active member of New Life United Methodist Church, Mexico. She loved crafts and enjoyed her grandchildren.

Survivors include her parents, Robert and Norma Smith, Rochester; a daughter, Debra and husband Samuel Cole, Wheatfield; a son, David Balmer and fiancée Holly Oldham, Peru; two granddaughters, Allison and Hayleigh Cole; a brother, John and wife Rhonda Smith, Shelbyville; her father-in-law, Bill Balmer, Rochester; and her mother-in-law, Alice Balmer, London, Ky.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at New Life United Methodist Church, U.S. 31 and Miami County Road 400 North, Mexico, with Pastor Bill Bergstrom officiating. Burial will be at Gilead Cemetery, Gilead. Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the church. Memorials may be made to New Life United Methodist Church. The services are being handled by Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron. Online condolences may be sent at www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

**E. Joan Davis**

Joan DAVIS, 83, of 5623 W. 600 South, (Burket) Claypool, died at 8:30 p.m. Friday at Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw.

Born in Fort Wayne, the daughter of Floyd and Hazel Hire Study, she lived in the Akron, Beaver Dam and Burket communities for 78 years of her life. In 1942, she graduated from Beaver Dam High School.

She married Richard L. "Dutch" Davis on March 16, 1947, in Fort Wayne, and he survives.
She was a homemaker and worked in the Ace Hardware flower shop, Warsaw, for 12 years. She was a member of the VFW Auxiliary, American Legion Post No. 49 Auxiliary, Moose Lodge and Eagles, all of Warsaw.

In addition to her husband, who survives in Burket, she is survived by two daughters, Rainelle and husband Terry Dowell, Mentone, and Leslie and husband Charles Jarvis, Tippecanoe; a son, Jeff Davis, Burket; six grandchildren, Skip, Neal, Keri, Justin, Jason and Michelle; five great-grandchildren; two sisters, Jan and husband Duane Ankenbruck, Fort Wayne, and Linda and husband Harrison Martin, Hartsville, S.C.; and a brother, Allen Study, Warsaw.

She was preceded in death by a son, Michael Davis; three sisters, June Tully, Marjorie Sausaman and Francy Taylor; a brother, Dick Study; and her parents.

Family graveside services will be Tuesday at Palestine Cemetery, Palestine. Paige Martin will conduct the service. There will be no visitation. Memorials may be made to the Kosciusko County Humane Society. King Memorial Home, Mentone, is handling arrangements. Online condolences may be sent at www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

Janice Howard-Collins

Janice HOWARD-COLLINS, 68, of 402 W. Marshall Road, Argos, died Sunday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Survivors include four sons, Tim Brock, Culver, Marty Brock, Culver, Jack Moriarty, Argos, and Galen Moriarty; a daughter, Launa Fields, Hazard, Ky.; three brothers, Harold Dean Howard, Rochester, Denton Howard, Jonesboro, and Olin Howard, Argos; and a sister, Claudette Stevens, Lakeville.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday at Plymouth Church of Jesus Christ with visitation from noon to 1 p.m. Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos, is handling arrangements.
Tuesday, November 18, 2008

No Obituaries

Wednesday, November 19, 2008

**Catherine L. Nodd**

Catherine L. NODD, 81, of 4963 W. Island Lane, Warsaw (Palestine Lake), died Tuesday at Mason Health Care, Warsaw.

Survivors include a son, Frank S. Nodd, Warsaw.

No visitation or service is planned. King Memorial Home, Mentone, is handling arrangements.

Thursday, November 20, 2008

**Eva Belle Smith**

Eva Belle SMITH, 87, of 507 S. Franklin St., Mentone, died Wednesday at Mason Health Care, Warsaw.

Survivors include her husband, Marion M. Smith, Mentone, and two daughters, Linda Phillips, Warsaw, and Patsy Ann Deardorff, Kansas City, Kansas.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at King Memorial Home, Mentone, with visitation from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. Friday.

Friday, November 21, 2008

**William Paxson**

William PAXSON, 70, Logansport, died at 5:30 a.m. Wednesday at Logansport Memorial Hospital.

Arrangements are pending.
Bill Paxson
Jan. 10, 1938-Nov. 19, 2008

William Mahlen PAXSON died at 5:30 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 19, 2008, at Logansport Memorial Hospital.

He was born in LaPorte on Jan 10, 1938, to Harrold and Helen (Wendling) Paxson. He was a lifelong resident of Walton and Logansport.

He served in the U.S. Navy. He was a past member of the Logansport Shrine Club, Masons and FOP. He also was a member of the Izaak Walton League Gun Club. He enjoyed woodworking, crafts, fishing, and, most of all, telling jokes and stories.

He worked at Logan Machine and was a heavy-equipment operator and truck driver.

He is survived by his mother, Helen Gunter; two brothers, P.D. Gunter and Dave Paxson; two daughters, Paula Marshall and husband Joe, and Pam Foster and husband Larry; two grandchildren, Mitch Michael and Kristi Michael; three great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews; and his long-time friend Sheila Davis.

He was preceded in death by his father, Harrold; stepfather, Paul Gunter; daughter, Polly Ann; aunt, Virginia Kinnaman; and grandmother, Laura Wendling.

His body was donated to I.U. Medical Science, which was his lifelong wish. Contributions may be made to the I.U. School of Medicine, 635 Barnhill Dr., Indianapolis, IN 46202.

A memorial celebration will be held Monday, Nov. 24, 2008, at 6:30 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, 800 E. Broadway, Logansport, with Pastor Teri White officiating.

Eva Belle Smith
Sept. 7, 1921-Nov. 19, 2008

Eva Belle SMITH, 87, of 507 S. Franklin St., Mentone, died at 2:05 a.m. Wednesday at Mason Health Care, Warsaw.
Born in Fulton County, she was the daughter of Benjamin and Hazel (McDonald) Brockey. Eva Belle was a lifetime area resident and a 1939 graduate of Talma High School.

On Dec. 24, 1941, she married Marion M. Smith in Plymouth, and he survives in Mentone. Eva Belle was a homemaker and member of the Psi Iota Sorority, the Merry Molly Home Economics Club and Mentone American Legion Auxiliary.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by two daughters, Linda and husband Stanley Phillips, Warsaw, and Patsy Ann and husband Mike Deardorff, Kansas City, Kansas; four grandchildren, Ranai Smith, Vicki Cook, Jeff Deardorff and Becky Wilder; and 12 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Opal Archer, and brothers, Lloyd, Ernie, Art and Leonard Brockey.

Her funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. today at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone, with the Rev. Doris Smith officiating. Burial will be at Mentone Cemetery. Visitation was Friday. Memorials may be made to Kosciusko Home Care and Hospice. Online condolences may be sent at www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

Monday, November 24, 2008

Kenneth E. Foulke

Rev. Kenneth E. FOULKE, 89, Goshen, formerly of Rochester, died Friday at Goshen General Hospital.

Survivors include two daughters, Sharon Johnson, Silvis, Ill., and Margaret Foulke-Evans, Milwaukee, Wis., and a sister, Marietta King, Bartow, Fla.

Services will be at 1 p.m. today at Calvary United Methodist Church, Syracuse, with visitation from 11 a.m. until the service. Mishler-Eastlund Funeral Home, Syracuse, is handling arrangements.
Ethel Mathias
Ethel MATHIAS, 91, died at 6:16 p.m. Sunday at Lifecare Center, Rochester.
Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Florence Ellen Thomas
Oct. 27, 1910-Nov. 20, 2008
Services for Florence Ellen THOMAS, 98, of Winamac, formerly of Kewanna, will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, 123 E. Main St., Kewanna.
She died at 11:30 p.m., Thursday at Hickory Creek at Winamac.
Born Oct. 27, 1910, in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, she was the daughter of the late William Henry and Sevilla Agnes Rex Mitchell. She married George A. Thomas on June 14, 1951, and he preceded her in death on Dec. 8, 1988.
Florence grew up in Lafayette and the Mulberry areas and she also spent many years in Texarkana prior to moving to Kewanna in 1989. She was a homemaker and seamstress; she had also worked at the former Kemp Brothers Co. in Frankfort.
She was a member of St. John Lutheran Church in Rochester and she enjoyed photography, arts and crafts.
Survivors include a daughter, Vicki J. Gupton and husband Bill of Winamac; stepson, Edgar M. Thomas and wife Joanne of Kewanna; stepdaughter, Patricia J. Birge and husband Euel of Rochester; daughter-in-law, Doris M. Rees, Lafayette; and 15 grandchildren. She is also survived by many great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.
She was also preceded in death by her son, Robert Lee Rees Sr.; stepdaughter, Judith A. Heath; and sister, Alpha Mae Burke.
Rev. James Wasmuth will officiate at the services. Burial will be at Citizens IOOF Cemetery, Kewanna. Friends may call from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna. Memorial contributions may be made to Riley...
Hospital for Children. Online condolences may be made to the family at www.harrisonmetzger.com.

Tuesday, November 25, 2008

**Donna Jane Rock Crispen**

Donna Jane Rock CRISPEN, 51, of 4886 W. 1550 North, Rochester, died Sunday morning in a car accident in Miami County.

Survivors include her husband, Steven D. Crispen, at home; daughters, Stacy Jane Manns, Akron, Jacqueline M. Manns, North Manchester, Courtney Altalee Kirby, Macy, Amanda M. Barnes, Akron, and Katherine R. Mullins, Tiosa; a son, Joshua D. Kirby, Rochester; her mother, Alta Madlem, Macy; three brothers, Darl Wayne Rock, Rochester, Richard E. Rock, Kewanna, and John W. Rock, Twelve Mile.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday and one hour prior to the service Saturday.

**Lois Carol Kelley Kelly**

Oct. 6, 1943-May 2, 2008

Lois Carol Kelley KELLY, 64, Nashville, Tenn., and formerly of Rochester, passed away May 2, 2008, at her home after an extended struggle with kidney cancer.

She was born the daughter of Margaret Devereux Cessna and Eugene Maury Kelley on Oct. 6, 1943, in Rochester. Mrs. Kelly received her early education in Rochester and, after graduating from Indiana University, she moved to Nashville in 1968, where she immediately became involved in the community as an energetic and enthusiastic volunteer.

She was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis soon after moving to Nashville, yet seemed to become more active and visible throughout the area as the disease progressed. She was a harbinger of the seasons and the holidays in a motorized cart, which she decorated for every occasion. As was her intention, the cart became a delightful
conversation piece that made her easily approachable and always welcomed as she went about the city helping out in any way she could. Her positive attitude radiated optimism and hope.

For nearly 30 years, Mrs. Kelly was an active member of Woodmont Christian Church, where she served as president of Woodmont's Christian Women's Fellowship, was on the church board, chaired committees, and helped organize events and programs. She also gave her time and energy to a wide range of Nashville organizations, including Vanderbilt University Medical Center, Monroe Carell Jr. Children's Hospital at Vanderbilt, The Nashville Symphony, Meals on Wheels, Room In The Inn, the Italian Street Fair, and the WDCN Action Auction. Mrs. Kelly was a longtime member of the Woman's Club of Nashville, Centennial Club, Timberlee Garden Club, Highland Garden Club, and the General Francis Nash Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Mrs. Kelly, riding in a wheelchair, was a participant in several walks to raise money for charities. In recognition of her community work, she was a nominee for the Mary Catherine Strobel Volunteer of the Year Award in 1993.

Mrs. Kelly is survived by her husband, Edward S. Kelly Jr.; daughters, Jennifer A. Wood (David) of Cary, N.C., and Andrea K. Carter of Santa Monica, Calif.; her father, Eugene Kelley of Rochester; three grandchildren, Lincoln and Rhett Wood and Bailey Carter; and countless friends. She was preceded in death by her mother, Devereux Kelley.

Memorial graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Friday at Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester, with the Rev. Junior Bose officiating. Arrangements are by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

**Ethel Marie Mathias**

Ethel Marie MATHIAS, 91, of 1084 W. Monticello Road, Rochester, died Sunday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

Survivors include a son, James I. Mathias, Rochester; three sisters, Hattie Baldwin, Agatha Marsh, Thelma Frettinger, all of
Rochester; and three brothers, Charles Moon, Mishawaka, William Moon, Rochester, and Donald Moon, Florida.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation from 9 a.m. until the service.

Wednesday, November 26, 2008

Donna Jane Rock Crispen
Oct. 6, 1957-Nov. 24, 2008

Donna Jane Rock CRISPEN, 51, of 4886 W. 1550 North, Rochester, died Monday morning of injuries sustained in a motor vehicle accident in Miami County.

She was born Oct. 6, 1957, in Fulton County to Alta Hittle and Donald Rock. Her father preceded her in death in 1990.

A lifetime resident of Fulton County, Donna was a member of the Class of 1976 at Caston High School. She worked for a number of years at Marshall Electric. At the time of her death, she was plant supervisor at Custom Magnetics of North Manchester.

Donna attended the Church of Christ, Rochester, and the Old Cross Road Baptist Church of Gilead.

On Sept. 22, 2006, Donna Jane was united in holy matrimony with Steven D. Crispen by Mayor Phil Thompson in Rochester. Together they enjoyed traveling to Alabama, West Virginia and around the Midwest. Wisconsin was also a favorite location. Each spring the sprouting of the mushrooms beckoned them. It was here that they also enjoyed ice fishing, hunting, freshwater fishing and other activities of the American sportsman.

An accomplished equestrian, Donna competed in shows earlier in her life. Her favorite was her quarter horse Dee, which she rode for pleasure and blazing her own trails. Her love for animals included feeding common backyard birds and hummingbirds. She also shared her home with Checkers, a blue heeler, and Simba, the tiger cat.

An adventurer, Donna was thrilled by the feel of freedom when riding motorcycles. She could often be seen cruising with the convertible top down on her '79 Fiat Spider, her most treasured mode
of travel. To relax, she planted flowers around the landscape of her yard. Red roses were her favorite flower. Country-western was her choice of music, and Sugarland ranked as tops!

Paramount in Donna's life was her family. She cherished her children and grandchildren, treasured her mom and three brothers and adored her husband, Steve. One of her greatest joys was the visits from her grandchildren.

She is survived by her husband, at home; three daughters, Stacy Jane Manns and companion James Dice, Akron, Jacqueline M. Manns and fiancé Daniel Peters Jr., North Manchester, and Courtney Altalee Kirby and companion Jeremy Shock, Macy; a son, Joshua D. Kirby, Rochester; two stepdaughters, Amanda M. Barnes, Akron, and Katherine R. Mullins and fiancé Jay Schlosser, Tiosa; nine grandchildren, Whitney Jane Dice, Ryan Paul Eugene Dice, Natalie Christine Kirby, Anna Lee Shock, Curtis Barnes, Katelynn Barnes, Antonio Mullins, Zachary Taylor Mullins, Jacob Schlosser; her mother, Alta Madlem, Macy; three brothers, Darl Wayne Rock and wife Janet, Rochester, Richard E. Rock and wife Jeannie, Kewanna, and John W. Rock and wife Linda, Twelve Mile; and nieces and nephews. She was also preceded in death by her stepfather, John Madlem, in 2003.

A celebration of the life of Mrs. Donna Jane Rock Crispen will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Indiana 14 West, Rochester. Friends may visit with her family from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday and one hour prior to the services. Pastor Thad Stewart will officiate. She will be laid to rest at Richland Center IOOF Cemetery, northwest of Rochester. Memorials may be made to Old Cross Road Baptist Church, Gilead. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

**Ethel Marie Mathias**
Jan. 9, 1917-Nov. 23, 2008

Ethel Marie MATHIAS, 91, of 1084 W. Monticello Road, Rochester, died at 6:15 p.m. Sunday at Life Care Center, Rochester.
She was born Jan. 9, 1917, in Mishawaka, the daughter of Charles and Elgie Ipes Moon. On March 9, 1938, she married Floyd B. "Jim" Mathias in Mishawaka. They moved to Rochester from Mishawaka in 1938. He passed away on March 4, 1969.

Ethel, a homemaker, was accomplished at crocheting. She fashioned a number of crocheted creations: blankets, scarves, purses, hats and afghans. These beautiful and unique gifts of warmth were shared with family and special friends.

The challenges of word puzzles were never too difficult for Ethel as she persevered to completion. In an effort to stay fit and increase her longevity while helping friends, Ethel was one of the original trio who helped found senior aerobics. With great enthusiasm she would lead her troop of seniors with spirited leg kicks, jumping jacks and toe touches at the senior center three times each week.

Ethel's delectable culinary skills will always be remembered by those who dined at the Resource Center, Rochester Sale Barn and the Alpha-Bit Box Day Care Center. Jenny, her loyal and devoted toy fox terrier, enjoyed comforting her and could often be seen sitting on Ethel's lap.

Survivors include a son, James I. Mathias, Rochester; three sisters, Hattie Baldwin, Agatha Marsh and Thelma Frettinger, all of Rochester; three brothers, Charles Moon, Mishawaka, William Moon and wife Marilyn, Rochester, and Donald Moon and wife Ema, Florida; and nieces and nephews. She was also preceded in death by her sister, Donna Belle Hoff.

A celebration of the life of Mrs. Ethel Marie Mathias will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Indiana 14 West, Rochester. Rev. Thad Stewart and Rev. Larry Dodge will officiate. Friends may visit from 9 a.m. until the service. She will be laid to rest beside her beloved husband, Floyd B. "Jim" Mathias, at Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Preferred memorials may be made to the First Church of God of Rochester or the Old Cross Road Baptist Church of Gilead, as she was a member of both. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.
**Elsie M. Shoup**

Elsie M. SHOUP, 69, of Logansport, died at 12:50 p.m. Tuesday at Memorial Hospital, Logansport.

Survivors include a son, Jeff Shoup, South Bend; two daughters, Joyce Shoup, Lucerne, and Janet Ousley, Huntington; and brother Donnie Button, Kewanna.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at Gundrum Funeral Home with visitation from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday.

Thursday, November 27, 2008

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**Linda M. Haeck**

Feb. 16, 1950 - Nov. 21, 2008

Linda M. HAECK, formerly Linda M. Geller, 58, of Fruitland Park, Fla., passed away on Friday, Nov. 21, 2008 at home under the loving care of her family. Linda was born Feb. 16, 1950, the daughter of Bernard and Reba Barnett Honkomp. She spent her childhood in Knox and Mishawaka. On Jan. 21, 1969 she married Robert Haeck and in 1975 they moved to Florida.

Linda leaves behind her husband Robert Haeck, Fruitland Park, Fla.; a son, Bobby wife Marcie Haeck, Merritt Island, Fla.; a daughter, Kelly husband Mark Weiss, Lakeland, Fla.; Grandchildren: Adrianna, Tyler, Skylee, Ryan, Nick and Jacob; her mother, Reba Honkomp, Macy, two sisters, Nancy husband Bob Dell, Rochester, Reba husband Dennis Derryberry, Akron, five brothers, Pete Geller, Culver, Richard wife Paulette Geller, Monterey, Bill wife Lori Geller, Culver, Bernard wife Reba Honkomp Jr., Peru, and John wife Becky Honkomp, Rochester. She is preceded in death by her father Bernard Honkomp Sr. in 1992, two brothers, Robert Honkomp in 2005 and George Geller in 2008.
Linda worked as a purchasing agent at Gladiator Industries, as a supervisor at Florida Medical Industries, and for the past 13 years as a bookkeeper for Parent Management Companies. She had a special love for nature, and spent many adventurous vacations with family and friends searching for unspoiled beaches throughout the Caribbean. She was an ardent fisherman and skilled sailor, crewing many sailing charters with her husband and friends off the shores of Florida, the Bahamas and British Virgin Islands. Linda was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, daughter and sister. She will be dearly missed by all whose lives she touched.

Funeral services for Linda were held on Monday, Nov. 24, at the Lady Lake Chapel of Beyers Funeral Home with Dr. Alan Holden officiating. Entombment followed at Highland Memorial Park Ocala, Fla. Visitation was on Sunday, Nov. 23, at the Beyers Funeral Home. A Memorial service to celebrate Linda's life will be held locally on Sunday, Nov. 30, at 2:00 p.m. at the home of Dennis and Reba Derryberry in Akron, with Rev. Raymond Norris officiating. Hartzler Funeral Home Akron, assisted the family with arrangements locally. Beyers Funeral Home & Crematory, Lady Lake, Fla., was entrusted with arrangements in Florida. Flowers can be sent to Dennis and Reba's home at 11100 Janet Dr. Akron, IN 46910 or memorials can be made to Hope Hospice P.O. Box 621 Rochester, IN 46975.

Elsie M. Shoup
Visitation for Elsie M. SHOUP, 69, Logansport, who died Tuesday at Logansport Memorial Hospital, is from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. today at Gundrum Funeral Home, Logansport.
Her funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Saturday.

Richard Eugene Kistler
March 18, 1926-Nov. 25, 2008
Richard Eugene KISTLER, 82, of Wesley Manor, 1555 North Main Street, Frankfort, IN 46041, died at noon, Tuesday, at St. Vincent Heart Center, Indianapolis. He was born March 18, 1926, near Star City, to Cecil Nelson and Nellie May (Hiatt) Kistler. On

A veteran of WWII, Richard graduated from Indiana Central College and Bonebrake Theological Seminary. A member of the North Indiana Conference of the United Methodist Church, he served churches in Noblesville, Bippus, Churubusco, Elkhart, Munster, and Kokomo, retiring in 1988. He also served ten years as secretary of the Board of Ministry and twelve years as Conference secretary.

Richard was preceded in death by one sister and five brothers. He is survived by his children, Cheryl (Dan) Targgart of Churubusco, Lucinda Merrill of Russiaville, Lanny (Cindy) Kistler of Goshen, Nina (Alan) Peery of Goshen, Renny (Mark) Yeoman of Elkhart, and Les Kistler of Mishawaka. Richard is also survived by ten grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday, at Genda Funeral Home, 608 North Main, Frankfort. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m., Monday, at St. Matthew United Methodist Church, 1951 Wilshire Drive, Frankfort. Burial will take place at 2 p.m., at Salem Church Cemetery, near Wilmot.

Memorial contributions can be made to Seminary Scholarships in United Methodist Church, North Indiana Conference, Box 869, Marion, IN 46952, or to the Wesley Manor Good Samaritan Fund.

On-line condolences may be directed to www.gendafuneralhome.com.

Saturday, November 29, 2008

Oretha Stiffler

Oretha STIFFLER, 79, 5229 South 800 West, Mentone, died at 1:50 p.m. Friday at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne. Arrangements are pending at King Memorial Home, Mentone.
Oretha C. Stiffler
Feb. 10, 1929 – Nov. 28, 2008

Oretha C. STIFFLER, 79, 5229 S. 800 West, Mentone, died at 1:50 p.m. Friday at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

The daughter of Adam and Edith Klingerman Bickel, she was born Feb. 10, 1929 in Millersburg. She married Dale H. Stiffler on March 20, 1955 at Fish Lake Lutheran Church, Millersburg. He survives at home.

She was a homemaker and had worked at Sarber Poultry Farm in Mentone. In her earlier years she worked at Penn Controls, Goshen. She attended Mentone United Methodist Church several years. She was in the Merry Molly Home Economics Club for nearly 50 years. She graduated in 1947 from Millersburg High School. She loved tending to her garden and flowers and loved being around family.

Survivors include her husband, Dale; two sons, Patrick and wife Elaine Stiffler, Fortville, and Steven and wife Lori Stiffler, Akron; four grandchildren, Amanda, Jenny, Jessica and Jaclyn Stiffler; a sister, Geneva and husband Sam Speicher, Goshen; three brothers, John Bickel and Forest Bickel, both of Goshen, and Elsworth Bickel, Millersburg. She was preceded in death by her parents, a sister and two brothers.

Visitation is 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. today at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone. Her funeral service is at 11 a.m. Tuesday at King Memorial Home, Mentone with Rev. Doris Smith officiating. Burial will be in Mentone Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society. Online condolences may be made by visiting www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

Ronald D. Betzner
Nov. 3, 1943 – Nov. 29, 2008

Ronald D. "RD" BETZNER, 65, Peru, died at 5:15 p.m. Saturday at his residence.
He was born to Cecil R. "Jake" and Evelyn Smith Betzner on Nov. 3, 1943 in Miami County's Richland Township. He was a U.S. Postal Service mail carrier and a farmer.

Mr. Betzner's survivors include a daughter, Carmen Dielman and husband Jon, Gilead; a son, Ryan Betzner and wife Angie, Peru; special friend Tina Raider; seven grandchildren, Michael Sarver, Levi, Candace and Bryce Dielman, Kirstin Jacobs, Ross and Eli Betzner; several nieces and nephews; a brother, James Betzner and wife Nola, Bunker Hill. He was preceded in death by his parents, sister Carol Fouts, brother-in-law David Fouts, infant brother Richard Betzner and a nephew, Jerry Fouts.

Visitation is 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru. Funeral service is at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the funeral home, with his grandson, Pastor Michael Sarver, officiating. Burial will be in Paw Paw Cemetery, northern Miami County. Memorial Contributions may be made the American Cancer Society.

Marcella M. Schmeltz

Marcella M. SCHMELTZ, 90, Michigan, died Thursday in Michigan.


Visitation is 4 to 8 p.m. today at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos. Funeral Services will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

Hermel E. Stevens

Hermel E. STEVENS, 77, died at 5:30 p.m. Sunday at his residence, 8995 Francis St., Delong. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester.

Herbert E. Humphries

Herbert E. HUMPHRIES, 86, Alexandria, formerly of Macy, died Saturday at Garden Villa, Bedford.
His survivors include two sons, Thomas E., Elwood, and Jeffrey, Norman; a sister, Lela Naylor, Alexandria.

Visitation will be 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday at Owens Funeral Home, 412 N. Harrison St., Alexandria. Funeral service will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

Tuesday, December 2, 2008

Hermel E. Stevens
Sept. 7, 1931 - Nov. 30, 2008

Hermel E. STEVENS, 77, 8995 Francis St., Delong, died at 5:30 p.m. Sunday at his residence.

Born Sept. 7, 1931 in Carter County, Kentucky to James Harm and Margaret Barker Stevens, he moved to Delong in 1961 from Morehead, Ky. He married Sharon L. Chaney on Sept. 28, 1963, in Culver.

An employee of Gerox, in Knox, he attended Gospel Lighthouse Church. As an avid Cincinnati Reds baseball fan, Hermel looked forward to the Reds taking to the diamond each spring. It was the spring that brought vast seasonal changes - and the sprouting of the mushrooms. He enjoyed hunting the morels in undisclosed locations near his home. Feeding his backyard birds, then observing their habits was a great way to kick back and relax. Fishing on the shores of the Tippecanoe River for a variety of pan fish allowed him to embrace the quite solitude of nature. At home Hermel relaxed listening to gospel music and bluegrass, especially the Stanley Brothers. To catch up on daily events he would walk to the post office and visit with friends and family along the way. Hunting and picking raspberries was great fun. Then sharing the delectable fruits with his family to make jams and cobblers gave him great satisfaction. Hermel was accomplished at playing a variety of card games including poker, euchre and solitaire.

Mr. Steven is survived by his wife, Sharon, at home; two daughters, Denise Atkins and husband Mike, Grovertown, and Deana Flenner, Mentone; three sons, David Stevens and wife Trudy, Fort
Payne, Ala., Donald Stevens and wife Dianna, Morehead, Ky., and Dwight Stevens and wife Rhonda, Delong; 12 grandchildren, Michael, John and Laura Atkins, Natasha Jessie, Danny Flenner, Jennifer Brunner, David and Eric Stevens and Derrick, Jonathon, Alex and Jordan Stevens; one great-granddaughter, Alexis Brunner; a sister, Dollie Sammons, Olive Hill, Ky.; a brother, Stanley Stevens, Delong; and nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and eight siblings.

Visitation will be 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. today at Good Family Funeral Home and one hour prior to his funeral service, which will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the funeral home, 1200 W. 18th St., with Brother Austin Knipp and Brother Eurie Barker presiding. Burial will be at Monterey Riverside Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Gospel Lighthouse Church in Delong or Hope Hospice of Fulton County.

Electronic expressions of sympathy may be sent to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

**Frederick Harmon Fishburn**

Frederick Harmon FISHBURN, 78, Peru, died at 12:27 p.m. Sunday at Dukes Memorial Hospital.

Survivors include his wife, Norma Jean, at home; one son, Floyd H. Fishburn, Denver; and several brothers.

Visitation is 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, at the funeral home.

Wednesday, December 3, 2008

**Marilyn Ann Jones**


Marilyn Ann JONES, 78, of 2461 Liberty Road, Rochester, passed away at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at her residence.
She was born on Sept. 5, 1930, in Rochester, the daughter of Everett and Pauline (Richard) Taylor. On Oct. 20, 1951, in Rochester, she married Francis “Casey” Jones, and he survives.

Mrs. Jones was a credit manager with Sears in Rochester. She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church and the Tri-Kappa Sorority. She enjoyed sewing, crafting, reading, cooking, gardening and will be remembered for her keen sense of humor.

Survivors include her husband, Francis “Casey” Jones, Rochester; mother, Pauline Richhart, Rochester; sons, Charles (Pam) Jones, Kevin Jones and companion Connie Ringle, all of Rochester; daughters, Candace Jones, Rochester, Christine (Barth) Hooker, Kissimmee, Fla.; grandchildren, Lisa (Scott) Rentschler, Andrea (Scot) Howdeshell, Aaron Jones, Korby Jones, all of Rochester, Casey Porter Jones, Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, Jane Hooker, Jada Hooker, both of Kissimmee; great-grandchildren, Tierney and Tori Rentschler, Rochester, Mia and Emma Howdeshell, Rochester; brother, Terrance (Lesley) Taylor, Roseville, Minn.; sister-in-law, Pamela (Jim) Loebig, Rochester; three nieces and one nephew. She was preceded in death by her father and stepmother, Everett and Santa Taylor; stepfather, Merritt Richhart; and grandson, Jonathan Howard Kamp.

Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with the Rev. Joseph Jacob officiating. Friends may call from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday and one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. The rosary will be recited at 8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. Burial will be in the Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester. Memorial contributions may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County or the National Kidney Foundation. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.
Elwyn E. Becker
July 8, 1925-Dec. 2, 2008

Elwyn E. BECKER, 83, of 103 N. Perry St., Fulton, passed away on Tuesday at 7 p.m. at his residence.

He was born on July 8, 1925, in Lovington, Ill., the son of Edward and Hazel (Freed) Becker. On Feb. 9, 1958, in Peru, he married Mary G. Powell. She preceded him in death on April 9, 2002. He was a United States Navy veteran of World War II.

Mr. Becker worked for McMahon-Connor Construction Company for more than 39 years in cost analysis. After retirement, he worked part-time at Walmart and was president of the Town Board of Fulton for more than 12 years. He attended Whippoorwill Community Church, was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and had been on the 4-H Horse and Pony Advisory Board.

Mr. Becker enjoyed his dog, Corky, following Purdue University athletics, participating in bowling leagues, ice fishing, NASCAR and the Chicago Bears. He will be remembered as a loving caregiver, father, grandfather and friend, who went to be with Jesus.

Survivors include his daughters, Penny and husband David Conover, Rochester, and Linda and husband Jimmie Freels, Peru; grandchildren, Bradley Conover, Rochester, Jason and wife Penny Freels, Warsaw, Jennifer and husband James Jackson, Peru, Ty and wife Michelle Freels, Peru; eight great-grandchildren, a sister, Glenda June Miller, Rochester; sisters-in-law, Mary Powell, Warsaw, and Dorla Powell, Hernando, Fla.; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Funeral services will be conducted at 10:30 a.m. Friday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Fulton, with the Rev. Brian Sewell officiating. Friends may call from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. today and one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Burial will be in the Westlawn Cemetery, Denver, where military graveside rites will be performed by the Miami County Military Rites Unit. Memorial
contributions may be made to the Alzheimers’ Association. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

**Forrest Conley**

Forrest CONLEY, 76, Wheelersburg, Ohio, died Saturday at the River Bend House.

Survivors include two sons, Michael Conley, Delan, Fla., and Mark Conley, Ashland, Ky.; one daughter, Angela Nibert, Sarasota, Fla.; four brothers, Wheeler Conley, Rochester, Wade Conley, Kewanna, William Conley, Salyersville, Ky., and Bernie Conley Jr., Illinois; and a sister, Julie Patrick, Illinois.

A graveside service was Monday, Brant Funeral Home, Sciotoville, Ohio, handled arrangements.

**Walter ‘Joe’ Kelley**


Walter “Joe” KELLEY, 80, of 219 S. Harrison St., Atwood, died at 7:20 p.m. Tuesday at his residence.

Born in Fulton County, he was the son of Loren Wayne Kelley and Mary Elizabeth Dillman Kelley. A veteran, he served in the Army during the Korean War.

On July 2, 1950, in Rochester he married Iris M. Drabenstott. He worked as a carpenter and was a Boy Scout leader in Atwood and Mentone. He also volunteered with the youth baseball league in Mentone.

He was a member of Word of Truth Ministries, Milford, where he was a greeter and the maintenance supervisor. Joe performed as Jo Jo the Gospel Singing Clown.

Joe loved to bowl and belonged to the Christian bowling league in Warsaw.

He is survived by three daughters, Josie and husband Lew Snell, Walkerton, Debra and husband Harry Stambaugh, Mentone, and Pamela and husband William Wright, Leesburg; two sons, Michael and wife Dee Kelley, Milford, and Philip and wife Fanny Kelley, Atwood; 12 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and three
sisters, Ester and husband Charles Sainer, Oklahoma, Betty and husband Fred Wood, Rochester, and Dora Miller, Palestine. He was preceded in death by two sisters, Jean Adams and Maxine Jensen, and two brothers, Wayne Kelley Jr. and Kenneth Kelley.

His funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone, with Pastor Michael Kelley officiating. Burial will be at Harrison Center Cemetery, Etna Green, where military rites will be conducted by the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars of Warsaw. Visitation will be from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to Word of Truth Ministries, P. O. Box 478, Milford, IN 46542. Online condolences: www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

Friday, December 5, 2008

Jerry Rager

Jerry RAGER, 72, Fort Wayne, formerly of Akron, died Wednesday at home.

Survivors include his wife, Elaine K. Rager, daughter, Lisa Stanley, and son, Terry Rager, all of Fort Wayne.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at D.O. McComb & Sons Covington Knolls Funeral Home, Fort Wayne, with visitation from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. today.

Saturday, December 6, 2008

Judith Hill

Judith HILL, 69, formerly of Akron, died at 1:35 p.m. Friday at Peabody Retirement Community, North Manchester.

Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

Charles Thomas Stout

Charles Thomas STOUT, 73, Peru, died Wednesday at St. Joseph Hospital, Kokomo.
Survivors include his wife, Rosanna Stout; a daughter, Susanne Stout; four sons, Michael, Steven, Charles and Thomas Stout; and six brothers, Howard, James, John, Donald, Archie and Arthur Stout.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Monday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver, with visitation from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday.

Monday, December 8, 2008

Lee J. Gearhart
Sept. 29, 1925-Dec. 5, 2008

Lee J. GEARHART, 83, of 301 S. Cherry St., Akron, died at 8:12 p.m. Friday at Hickory Creek of Rochester. He was seriously ill for 10 days.

Born in Fulton County, he was the son of Charles and Esther Yarian Gearhart. He married Betty J. Eaton on Jan. 12, 1952, in Joliet, Ill., and she survives.

He retired from Sonoco Products Co., Akron, in 1987. He worked there for 28 years and was a member of the Sonoco Old-timers Club.

A veteran, he served in the U.S. Army. His last year in the service was 1954.

Lee enjoyed woodworking and loved to crack walnuts.

In addition to his wife, Betty Gearhart of Akron, he is survived by a daughter, Tammy and husband Jeff Gibbons, Rochester; a son, Gary Gearhart, Cathedral City, Calif.; a brother, Robert Gearhart, North Manchester; sisters, Gertrude Walker, Chili, and Glendora Hamilton, Silver Lake; and two grandchildren, Bryce and Hannah Gibbons.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Gerald Gearhart, and a sister, Freda Beigh.

His funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Pastor David Hendry officiating. Burial will be at Silver Creek Cemetery, Silver Lake. Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Hope Hospice of
Fulton County. Online condolences may be sent at www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

Harold 'Gibby' Gibbons
Harold "Gibby" GIBBONS, 85, of 2018 Boulevard St., Rochester, died at 4 p.m. Sunday at Memorial Hospital, South Bend. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Judith H. Hill
Judith H. HILL, 69, formerly of Akron, died at 1:35 p.m. Friday at Peabody Retirement Community, North Manchester, where she lived.

Born in North Manchester, she was the daughter of Frederick and Mildred Eaton Hammond. She graduated from Akron High School in 1956.


A homemaker, she worked at Helvey Insurance, Akron. She also was co-owner of Grandpa's Barn antique shop in Akron. While the family lived in Louisiana, Mo., she worked at the Press Journal, the town's paper. She served as a Girl Scout leader in Missouri.

She attended Akron Church of God, where she was involved in the women's group and active in the card ministry.

Judith was very interested in genealogy and enjoyed photography.

Survivors include a daughter, Nina Schultz, Fort Thomas, Ky.; two sons, Brian and wife Jean Hill, Matthews, S.C., and Bruce Hill, Wakarusa; her mother, Mildred Hammond, North Manchester; six grandchildren, Derek Hill, Lauren Hill, Jared Hill, Nicholas Hill, Amy Schultz and Matt Schultz; two sisters, Janet Wood and Karen and husband Don Drone, all of Akron; and a brother, Gail Hammond and wife Brenda, Clermont, Fla.
She was also preceded in death by her father and a brother, Gary Hammond.

Her funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at Akron Church of God, 301 S. West St., Akron, with Pastor Terry Canfield officiating. Burial will be at Akron Cemetery, Akron. Visitation will be from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. today at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron. Memorials may be made to the Nature Conservancy or Akron Church of God; envelopes will be available at the funeral home. Online condolences may be sent at www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

William F. Lake
William F. LAKE, 86, of 10958 Indiana 14, Akron, died Friday at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.
Survivors include his wife, Mary Maxine Lake, Akron; two daughters, Sharon Johnson, Fort Wayne, and Kay Bonner, Fletcher, N.C.; two sons, Scott Fairchild, Fort Wayne, and Mark Fairchild, Louisville, Texas; and a sister, May Havill, Lawrenceville, Ill.
There will be no service or visitation. Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron, is handling arrangements.

Earl Edward Steininger
Oct. 29, 1950-Dec. 6, 2008
Earl Edward STEININGER, 58, of 8523 W. 1275 South, Akron, died at 8 a.m. Saturday at his residence.
Born in Rochester, the son of Calvin Edward and Alice Lucille (Moore) Steininger, he lived in the Akron area for 38 years after moving from Fulton. He graduated from Rochester High School in 1969.
On June 14, 1969, he married Mary Jo (Coldren) Steininger at the Church of the Nazarene in North Manchester.
He was a farmer and millwright and belonged to the North Central Antique Tractor Pullers Association.
In addition to his wife, he is survived by four children, Julie Anne (Terry) Moore, Macy, Kimberly Sue (Donald Jr.) Caudill, Chad
Edward (Judy) Steininger, and Mellisa Kay Steininger, all of Akron; seven grandchildren, Joshua Allen Moore, Christopher Earl Moore, Jordan Michael Moore, all of Macy, Chelsea Lenea Caudill, Dereck Allen Caudill, Nicholas Ryan Caudill and Jonathan Calvin Steininger, all of Akron; two sisters, Ruth Elizabeth (George) Hoff, Akron, and Patty Lou Shafer, Fulton; and a brother, Junior Forest Steininger, North Manchester.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Henry Sherman Steininger and Richard Calvin Steininger; a sister, Barbara Lucille Steininger; and a daughter, Nicole Lee Steininger.

Visitation will be from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday at Earl-Love Funeral Home, 811 E. Rochester St., Akron. The funeral will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at the funeral home with Rick Baber officiating. Burial will be at Akron Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the family of Earl Steininger c/o Mary Jo Steininger. Online condolences may be sent to earllovefh@gmail.com.

Danny Eugene Swanson
Oct. 8, 1946-Dec. 6, 2008

Danny Eugene SWANSON, 62, of 1849 Skyview Lane, Rochester, died at 7:30 p.m. Saturday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Born Oct. 8, 1946, in LaPorte, he was the son of Albert and Beverly Dickson, Swanson. On Nov. 25, 1978, he married Mary Lou Burkett in Charleston, and she survives.

He was a self-employed truck driver working with Bennett Transport, Middlebury.

At the opening of deer season, Danny enjoyed hunting whitetails with Dave Hoagland and his sons, Matt and Dan. He enjoyed bowling in the Sunday night mixed league with Mary Lou. An armchair athlete, he cheered for the Indiana University cream and crimson basketball team. He was true blue to the Indianapolis Colts.

Paramount in his life was his family, especially his grandchildren. Together they enjoyed rides in the semi, camping at Beaver Ridge and vacations. Indiana Beach held many special family
memories. He could often be seen on his Honda Shadow cruising the streets of Rochester.

In addition to his wife, Mary Lou Swanson, at home, he is survived by a daughter, Shelley Armour and husband Bill, Mill Creek; four sons, Doug Swanson, Ray Swanson, both of LaPorte, Dan J. Swanson and wife Misty, and Matt Swanson, all of Rochester; four grandchildren, Chase, Gavin, Alaina and Alyson Swanson; his mother, Beverly Keene, Rochester; a sister, Tina Combs, New Tazewell, Tenn.; a brother, Chuck Swanson and wife Rose, Rochester; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. He is also survived by his two dogs, Nikki the schnauzer and Mindi the Yorkie-poodle mix, and two cats, Cinder the tortoiseshell calico and Sophie the gray-and-white tabby.

He was preceded in death by his father in 1986.

A celebration of the life of Mr. Danny E. Swanson will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with Pastor Dan Mundt officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday and one hour prior to the service. Memorials may be made to Faith Outreach Center church; envelopes will be available at the funeral home. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Tuesday, December 9, 2008

Wilma Jean Alderfer


Wilma Jean ALDERFER, 84, of 8841 18th Road, Argos, died at 1:53 p.m. Sunday at Hickory Creek of Rochester following a lengthy illness.

Born in Walnut, the daughter of Lawrence and Mary (Biddinger) Bodey, she lived her whole life in the Argos community. She graduated with the Class of 1942 from Argos High School. She was the salutatorian and had perfect attendance all 12 years of school.

On Nov. 11, 1945, she married Weldon C. Alderfer at the Walnut Gospel Church of Walnut.
She retired as manager of the Indiana Department of Transportation Plymouth sub-district, where she worked from 1961 to 1987.

A precinct committeewoman for many years, she also served as Walnut Township Trustee for two terms.

She was involved with child evangelism with Betty Murdick and taught Sunday School classes for many years. She was a member of the Seventh-Day Adventist Church, Rochester.

She and her husband also helped with local foster children.

Survivors include her husband, Weldon C. Alderfer, Argos; a son, Roger L. Alderfer and wife Elaine, Greenfield; a daughter, Gloria Smith and husband Kenneth, Argos; a stepgranddaughter, Suzette Bergstedt and husband Douglas, Logansport; four stepgreat-grandchildren; and a sister, Mary Ellen Trump and husband Allen, Argos. She was preceded in death by her parents and sister, Francis Lowe.

Friends may visit with the family from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos. Her funeral service will be at 1 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home with Rev. Don English and Rev. Wayne Speicher officiating. Burial will be at Richland Center Cemetery at Richland Center. Electronic condolences may be sent to the family at memorials@earl-grossmanfuneral.com.

Harold C. Gibbons

Harold C. GIBBONS, 85, of 2018 Boulevard St., Rochester, died Sunday at Memorial Hospital, South Bend.

Survivors include his wife, Marjorie Gibbons, at home; two sons, H. Devon Gibbons, Rochester, and Don L. Gibbons, San Francisco, Calif.; a sister, Katherine Hatten, Indianapolis; and two brothers, Robert Gibbons, Plymouth, and Frank Gibbons, Cold Spring, Texas.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday and one hour prior to the service.
Deloris Hudkins
Deloris HUDKINS, 87, formerly of Rochester, died at 9:25 a.m. Monday at Parkview Noble, Kendallville.
Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Eunice Louise (Eastlund) Kindig
Eunice Louise (Eastlund) KINDIG, born Nov. 26, 1916, in Burke, S.D., beloved wife of Cleon Virl Kindig (1910-1982), a native son of Rochester, will be interred at noon Saturday at the IOOF Cemetery in Rochester. Family members will receive friends and guests at the Comfort Inn from 10 a.m. to noon, prior to interment.
Eunice, a 1935 graduate of Argos High School and beauty contestant for the 1936 Marshall County Centennial, married Cleon, July 4th of the same year. They lived in Rochester for a short time, then Indianapolis, Bloomington and Chicago before moving to San Diego, Calif., in 1951. They relocated to San Jose in 1958. In addition to raising two sons, Eunice found time to go to college, work as an executive secretary at Lockheed Aerospace Corporation, teach haute couture tailoring at West Valley College and work in interior decorating as a designer and fabricator. The latter work expanded into fabric art as a lifelong avocation creating fashion clothing and interior décor.
In 1982, following Cleon's death, Eunice volunteered as a host mother for a foreign exchange student. This was the start of a 26-year program that brought more than 35 young women from Sweden, France, Taiwan, Japan, Korea and China to live, study and become Eunny's family of adopted daughters. This period also brought about a wanderlust taking her first to England and then again to Europe for the wedding of her son, Norman, in Sweden. The second trip was enhanced with extensive genealogy research leading her to visit sixth- and seventh-generation relatives, as well as Maria, her first exchange student. Additional stops included Norway, Russia, Belgium, France and Germany. Ensuing U.S. travels took her to Atlanta, New York,
Boston, Washington, D.C., Indiana and South Dakota with her last international junket in 2000 to China and Japan.

Eunice's charity work was highly regarded in Santa Clara County. Through her work with the American Sewing Guild, she and her volunteers made hundreds of baby blankets, pillows and clothes for local hospitals and shelters. She also worked for the Santa Clara Clothes Closet to help provide much needed clothing for the less fortunate and assisted with fundraising, costume design and sewing for the San Jose-Cleveland Ballet and Stanford University's Ballet Arts program.

Few who knew her will ever forget her culinary skills. Whether catering a wedding or preparing a holiday feast, to be a guest was always a four-star experience.

Her unwavering devotion to her family, her charity work, the love of her students and friends truly defined her. Her home was always open - no one was ever a stranger.

Eunice passed away at home in San Jose, Aug. 2, following complications related to heart surgery in 2004. Eunice is preceded in death by Cleon (June 14, 1982); her parents, Alan Hilder Eastlund (1956) and Maude Inez Frevert (1934), of Rochester; her sisters, Olive and Gladys; and brother, Charles.

She is survived by her beloved sons, Morris of Mountain View, Calif., and Norman, Yorba Linda, Calif.; cherished daughter-in-law, Jane; and loving grandchildren, Elin, Kjersten and Carl. Her sisters, Lois, Lillian and Dorothy, and brother, Edward, are still living.

Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, is handling arrangements. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

Wednesday, December 10, 2008

Fred Crown Jr.

Fred CROWN Jr., 88, Plainwell, Mich., who pastored churches in Rochester and Argos, died Sunday at Borgess Medical Center, Kalamazoo, Mich.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday at Faith Baptist Church, Mount Vernon, Ohio, with visitation from noon until the service. Snyder Funeral Homes, Mount Vernon, are handling arrangements.

Harold C. 'Gibby' Gibbons

Harold C. "Gibby" GIBBONS, 85, of 2018 Boulevard St., Rochester, died at 4 p.m. Sunday at Memorial Hospital, South Bend.

Born Jan. 4, 1923, in Marshall County, he was the son of L.J. and Mildred Quivy Gibbons. A lifetime Fulton County resident, Gibby graduated from Richland Center High School in 1942. Following graduation, he began working for the McMahan-O'Connor Construction Company. He initially learned the techniques of operating heavy equipment. Among his favorites were the crane, earthmover and bulldozer. He will long be remembered for the challenges he confronted, especially the steep and sloping terrain while operating the specialized construction equipment. His relationship as a loyal and devoted employee with the McMahan Company continued for 40 years.

In 1942, service to our country beckoned him. He answered the call by becoming a proud member of the U.S. Army and serving in Okinawa from 1943-1945 as an engineer. Upon the completion of his first tour, he re-enlisted for a second stint and served as a military policeman at Fort Knox until February 1947. Also during this period, on Feb. 16, 1946, he wed the love of his life and best friend - Marjorie Waltz. Their union spanned more than 62 years.

After returning from his second tour, Gibby returned to the road construction work that he so enjoyed. He worked primarily in the concrete division continuing to drive heavy equipment, as a crew supervisor and later as a manager of the concrete plant.

As an extraordinary gardener, Gibby planted a garden that spanned nearly 3/4 of an acre near his home. The floral portion
yielded an array of colorful gladiolus, a variety of tulips, daffodils, roses and a special blend of wild flowers. He would joyfully share his colorful bouquets with family and special friends. It was earlier this year that he and his family planted more than 400 new gladiolus bulbs to accommodate the demand.

On the same tract of land, Gibby annually planted his vegetable garden which was second to none. He not only supplied his family, friends and neighborhood, but other acquaintances from around town could be seen slowly cruising by the location where he would put out his vegetables to be shared. Whether it was juicy beefsteak tomatoes, zucchini, cukes or squash, his bumper crop was always shared and enjoyed.

As a sports enthusiast, Gibby cheered for the Chicago Cubs and da' Bears, the Indianapolis Colts and of course, as a basketball fan, the I.U. Hoosiers. Ice fishing was a sport where Gibby could embrace nature while hanging out with his grandson, Austin, and other fellow fishermen. Annually he was among the first on the ice and last to leave. The day of his passing he was geared up to go and hit the ice - hoping to catch some delectable bluegill and crappie from the icy waters of Lake Manitou. He also enjoyed setting trout lines for catfish. It was his philosophy that the remains of the fish were strategically placed in his garden - fertilizing the growth of his annual planting.

As a patriot, Gibby honored fallen veterans as a dedicated member of the military rites unit from our local LeRoy Shelton American Legion Post and Manitou Veterans of Foreign Wars. He was a life member of more than 61 years and served as past commander of the VFW. He was a member of the Rochester Independent Order of Odd Fellows for more than 50 years.

Gibby leaves behind his adoring grandson Austin, devoted sons Devon and Don, loving wife of 62 years Marjorie, faithful Boston terrier Peaches, loyal fishermen and his esteemed veteran buddies to cherish his memory and the many good times they shared.

Survivors include his wife, Marjorie Gibbons, at home; two sons, H. Devon Gibbons and companion Chris Newell, Rochester, and
Don L. Gibbons and husband Walter Howard, San Francisco, Calif.; a grandson, Austin Gibbons and wife Ashley, Rochester; his sister, Katherine Hatten, Indianapolis; and two brothers, Robert Gibbons and wife Joyce, Plymouth, and Frank Gibbons and wife Jean, Cold Spring, Texas.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Roy Chalmer Gibbons.

A celebration of the life of Mr. Harold C. “Gibby” Gibbons will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday at the Good Family Funeral Home with the Rev. Junior Bose officiating. Friends may visit with his family from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. today and one hour prior to the services. Burial will follow at Rochester IOOF Cemetery, where military graveside rites will be accorded by the LeRoy Shelton American Legion Post and Manitou VFW military honors unit. Preferred memorials may be made to the Lake Manitou Association; envelopes will be available at the funeral home. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be conveyed to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Alvin H. Hartz

Alvin H. HARTZ, 85, Culver, died Nov. 19 at St. Elisabeth Regional Health facility, Lafayette.

Survivors include his sons, Hugh Hartz, Culver, P. Nick Hartz, Silver Lake, and L. Douglas Hartz, Plymouth, and a daughter, Pam Miller, Culver.

A memorial service will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at Culver Masonic Cemetery, Culver. Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, is handling arrangements.

Peter William Terpstra Sr.

June 4, 1925-Dec. 9, 2008

Peter William TERPSTRA Sr., 83, of 1121 Wabash Ave., Rochester, died at 6:30 a.m. Tuesday at the home of his son.

Born to Richard Dirk and Jessie (Post) Terpstra in Chicago, Ill., Mr. Terpstra moved to the Rochester area in 1939 and served in
World War II after being drafted in February 1944. He served in the U.S. Navy on the USS Ara in the South Pacific until February 1946.

His first marriage was to Marjorie L. Mikesell on Sept. 12, 1946, in Kokomo. After his first marriage ended in divorce, he married Jean Kinder Sheets on Oct. 10, 1994, in Rochester. She preceded him in death April 21, 2000.

From 1952 to 1956, he was joint owner of the Fulton Lumber Company Inc., in Fulton. In 1956, he purchased the Fulton County Lumber & Construction Company in Rochester, which he owned and operated until 1974. Major construction projects were the Rochester Medical Building, the Catholic Parish Hall and Rectory and the Streamliner. He was also instrumental in various housing additions: Oakwood, Southwoods and the Reese and Pownell additions.

Mr. Terpstra was also active in many civic groups in Fulton County. He was a past president of the Fulton County Young Republicans, the Lions Club and the Fulton County Historical Society. He was a former member of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and the John Birch Society. He was also past chairman of the board, trustee and deacon of First Christian Church, Rochester. In his later years, he was involved with Friends of the Library, Habitat for Humanity, Hope Hospice of Fulton County and Big Brothers Big Sisters.

He is survived by one son, Peter William (Connie) II, Athens; and a daughter, Patricia Ann, Wright City, Mo.; four grandchildren, Mrs. Mitchell R. (Rebecca) Terpstra Kehler, Morgantown, Peter W. Terpstra III, Leesburg, Richard J. Terpstra, Greenfield, and Alicia A. Terpstra, Muncie; and one great-grandchild, Kaylee B. Kehler. Also surviving are five siblings, Dick Terpstra, Columbus, Ohio, Charlotte Terpstra Eakins Fowler, Flagler Beach, Fla., Mrs. Dean T. (Joy) Terpstra Rizer, El Cajon, Calif., Mrs. Marlin L. (Eunice) Terpstra Stockwell, Trinity, Fla., and Walter S. Terpstra, Marysville, Ohio.

He was preceded in death by his father, Feb. 6, 1976; his mother, July 8, 1983; a sister, Sylvia Terpstra Larrison, April 11, 2005; a brother, Paul Dupree (aka Wesley Terpstra), Nov. 1, 2006; and one great-grandson, Zachary R. Kehler, July 4, 2001.
A funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Friday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Sarah Purkey of Hope Hospice as hostess. Burial will be at Rochester IOOF Cemetery, where military rites will be conducted by the LeRoy Shelton American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars of Rochester. Friends may visit with the family from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday and one hour prior to the service. Memorials may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Thursday, December 11, 2008

Joe Huddle
Joe HUDDLE, 69, Culver, died at 4:05 p.m. Tuesday at home. Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, is handling arrangements.

Deloris L. Hudkins
Oct. 18, 1921-Dec. 8, 2008
Deloris L. HUDKINS, 87, of Provenna Sacred Heart Home, Avilla, formerly of Rochester, died at 9:25 a.m. Monday at Parkview Noble, Kendallville.

Born in Rochester, she was the daughter of Elmer and Mae Rix Arven. She was a proud graduate of Rochester High School in 1939 and lived most of her life in Fulton County.

On Feb. 18, 1941, she married Loyal Judson Hudkins in Rochester. He preceded her in death, along with her parents.

Deloris was a homemaker and a 50-year member of Trinity United Methodist Church and the Order of the Eastern Star.

Crafting was one of her specialties. She especially enjoyed ceramics and shared her finished projects with family and friends. The same was true with her counted cross-stitch creations. In earlier years, she enjoyed flower gardening around her home. Her favorite flowers were orchids. It was a tradition of her husband, Jud, to surprise her with an orchid corsage for Mother's Day.
A card player, Deloris enjoyed spirited games of euchre and spite and malice. On Saturday afternoons, prior to gathering for games of cards, Deloris and her girlfriends could be seen trekking across country to visit some of their favorite dining locales.

Paramount in her life was her family. She particularly looked forward to visits from her grandchildren. She enjoyed following their school activities and was proud of their achievements.

Survivors include three sons, Stephen Hudkins, Kent, Ohio, Joe Hudkins and wife Janine, Lexington, Ky., and Tom Hudkins and wife Patti, Avilla; eight grandchildren, Kathy Davies, Mike Hudkins, Brian Hudkins, Jennifer Watne, Tim Hudkins, Christina Hudkins, Christopher Hudkins and Aylesha Hudkins; six great-grandchildren; a sister, Arlene Baer and husband Emery, Logansport; and a brother-in-law, Francis Hudkins and wife Mary, Kewanna.

Her funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Friday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with the Rev. Buck Padilla officiating. Burial will be at IOOF Cemetery, Rochester.

Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Friday, December 12, 2008

Mary L. Humbarger

Mary L. HUMBarger, 93, formerly of Rochester, died at 10:27 p.m. Friday, Dec. 5 in Tucson, Ariz.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Ronnie J. Kindig

Ronnie J. KINDig, 67, of 300 E. Prairie St., Warsaw, died Thursday at Warsaw Meadows Care Center.

Survivors include sons, Andy, Steve, Eddie and Roy Kindig, all of Warsaw; daughters, Tina Miller, Claypool, and Judy Baker,
Florida; a brother, Dale Kindig, Warsaw, and a sister, Bonnie Hile, Mentone.

Services will be at 3 p.m. Sunday at St. Anne's Episcopal Church, Warsaw, with visitation one hour prior to the service. McHatton-Sadler Funeral Chapel, Warsaw, is handling arrangements.

James R. Pippenger
James R. PIPPENGER, 53, of 17809 S. Michigan Road, Argos, died Wednesday at home.

Survivors include his wife Dorothy A. Pippenger, daughters Stefanie Pippenger and Shanelle Burns, son Ty Burns, all of Argos; his mother Phyllis J. Pippenger, sister Barbara Wolff, brothers Michael Pippenger, Joseph Pippenger, all of Plymouth, and brother John D. Pippenger, Nappanee.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Monday at Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, with visitation from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday and after 7 a.m. Monday.

James Woods
James WOODS, 63, of 8001 W. 100 South, Kewanna, died at 9:46 a.m. Thursday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Saturday, December 13, 2008

Mary L. Humbarger
Mary L. HUMBARGER, 93, formerly of Rochester, died Dec. 5 at her Tucson, Ariz., home.

Survivors include two daughters, Darla Klotz, Battle Creek, Mich., and Susanne Engle, Tucson; two sons, David Humbarger, Sauetia, Ariz., and Daniel Humbarger, Eager, Ariz.; and a brother, Herbert Fish, Battle Creek, Mich.

Private family services will be Monday. Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, is handling arrangements.
Monday, December 15, 2008

No Obituaries

Tuesday, December 16, 2008

**Kenneth Basham**

Kenneth BASHAM, 59, Waterhaven Apartments, Rochester, died Monday at the VA Hospital in Indianapolis. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Ashley Ann Derrickson**

Ashley Ann DERRICKSON, 19, Knox, died Friday at Riley Hospital for Children, Indianapolis. Survivors include her father, Michael Derrickson, Knox; mother, Sheri Derrickson, Knox; brothers, Mike Derrickson Jr., Charlie Derrickson, both of Knox; and a sister, Heather Derrickson, North Judson.

Services will be at 1:30 p.m. Thursday at Braman & Bailey Funeral Home, North Judson, with visitation from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesday.

**H. Joe Huddle**

H. Joe HUDDL E, 69, Culver, died Dec. 9 in Culver. Survivors include a son, Richard J. Hocker, Cincinnati, Ohio; two daughters, Tina L. McClanahan, Versailles, Ohio, and Nicole Bravo, Destin, Fla.; and a brother, John Huddle, Versailles, Ohio.

A time of remembrance will be 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at Finney-Shilling VFW, Culver. Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, is handling arrangements.
Wednesday, December 17, 2008

**Marilyn M. Herrmann**

Marilyn M. HERRMANN, 84, Culver, died at 8:15 a.m. Monday at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth. Arrangements are pending at Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver.

Thursday, December 18, 2008

**Kenneth Allen Basham**

Kenneth Allen BASHAM, 59, Waterhaven Apartments, 300 E. Fourth St. Apt. 4H, Rochester, died Monday at the VA Hospital, Indianapolis.

Survivors include a daughter, Amber Lynn Basham, Rochester; a son, Aaron Allen Basham, Hood River, Ore.; four brothers, George Basham, Akron, William Basham, Sturgis, Mich., Richard Basham, Indianapolis, and Dale Basham, Mariposa, Calif.; and a sister, Geri Rosebury, Mariposa, Calif.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Monday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation one hour prior to the service.

**Rhondal Q. Hughes**

Rhondal Q. HUGHES, 53, of 920 Jefferson St., died Dec. 8 at home.

Survivors include his children, James David Hughes, Lindsey Sue Hughes, both of Rochester, Melissa Hughes, Knox; brothers, Wayen Hughes, Michigan, and Bruce Hughes, Lakeville; and sister, Cheryl Pruell, Madison, Wis.

There were no services or visitation. Braman Funeral Home, Knox, handled arrangements.

**Ruth I. McClain**

Ruth I. McCLAIN, 89, of Clermont, Fla., formerly of Servastapool, died Tuesday.

Survivors include a brother, Marvin VanLue, Clermont, Fla.
There are no services or visitation. Brewer Funeral Home, Clermont, is handling arrangements.

Vernon C. Meredith
Vernon C. MEREDITH, 79, of 5504 S. 700 West, Burket, died Wednesday at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.
Survivors include his wife, Marcella Meredith, Burket; a daughter, Melinda Webb, Burket; a son, Marlin Meredith, Arcadia.
Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at King Memorial Home, Mentone, with visitation from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. Friday.

Florence May Schrader
Nov. 29, 1913-Dec. 17, 2008
Florence May SCHRADER, 95, of 801 Fortna, Rochester, died at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday at the home of her niece, Donna Hermann.
She was ill for two months.
Born in Peru, she was the daughter of Arthur Wesley and Grace Bucher Carpenter. She moved here from LaPorte in 1975.
Florence was a homemaker and assisted her husband as owner and operator of the Chapman-Graff Dry Cleaners of LaPorte. A member of First Presbyterian Church, she was very active in all its activities.
She enjoyed making quilts, crocheting and sewing.
Survivors include her sister, Margaret Koczan, South Bend; three nieces, Jacquelyn Beall and husband Robert, Lafayette, Donna Hermann and husband Jerry, Rochester, and Carol Foor and husband Myron, Greenville, N.C.; and a nephew, Charles Koczan and wife Audrey, Granger.
In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by her parents; a daughter, Linda; and a sister, Hazel Keim.
Her funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Elder Don Drone officiating. Burial will be at Greenlawn Cemetery, Mexico. Friends
may visit with the family one hour prior to the service. Memorials may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County or the First Presbyterian Church Building Fund. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

**Wanita C. Sriver**

Wanita C. SRIVER, 61, of 4620 W. 700 North, died Tuesday at the Center for Hospice and Pallative Care, Elkhart.

Survivors include her husband, Ed Srwer, Rochester; children, Christine Wilhelm, Argos, Caroline Baldwin, Rochester, Mikel Srwer, Rochester, Christopher Smith, Kewanna, Dennis Smith, Rochester; brother, James Clevenger, Rochester; sister, Janet Graham, Noblesville.

Services will be at 2:30 p.m. Saturday at Faith Outreach Center, Rochester, with visitation from 1 p.m. until the service. Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, is handling arrangements.

Friday, December 19, 2008

**Ruth I. McClain**


She was born in Sevastopol, Ind. She was known as "Aunt Ruthie" and will always remain in the hearts of her family and many friends.

She is survived by her brother, Marvin G. VanLue, South Bend, and niece, Teresa Smith, of Clermont, Fla.

There will be no services per Aunt Ruthie's request.

But in remembrance of her smile and warm heart, please make any donations to Corner Stone Hospice Foundation Inc., 2445 Lane Park Road, Tavares, FL 32778-9915. They will be appreciated.

**Vernon C. Meredith**

Vernon C. MEREDITH, 79, of 5504 S. 700 West, Burket, died Wednesday at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.
Survivors include his wife, Marcella Meredith, Burket; a daughter, Melinda Webb, Claypool; a son, Marlin Meredith, Cicero; and a sister, Jane Evans, Warsaw.
Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at King Memorial Home, Mentone, with visitation from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

Saturday, December 20, 2008

Ruth I. McClain
She was born in Sevastopol, Ind. She was known as "Aunt Ruthie" and will always remain in the hearts of her family and many friends.
She is survived by her brother, Marvin G. VanLue, South Bend, and niece, Teresa Smith, of Clermont, Fla.
There will be no services per Aunt Ruthie's request.
But in remembrance of her smile and warm heart, please make any donations to Corner Stone Hospice Foundation Inc., 2445 Lane Park Road, Tavares, FL 32778-9915. They will be appreciated.

Marguerite M. Frost
Marguerite Mitchell FROST, of Mundelein, Ill., passed away peacefully on Dec. 1, 2008, at Libertyville Manor Nursing Care Facility in Libertyville, Ill., where she had been cared for the past three years.
Born in 1917, she grew up in Rochester, with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E.L. Mitchell. She was a graduate of Indiana University, became an art teacher and taught art and elementary education for many years in Lafayette, at The Lafayette Art Gallery, and in the Mundelein, Ill., area.
She was married for many years to Robert Frost of Purdue University. She raised four children and saw them all attend college; the three sons served their country during the Vietnam War.

"Margy" taught at Fairhaven Elementary School and Diamond Lake School, both in Mundelein. Her skill of lettering the Old English Script was called upon for many graduation and special certificates, etc., both at Purdue and in the Mundelein area. She taught elementary education, art and was a reading specialist.

After retirement, she was able to pursue her quick sketch cartooning and was a featured artist at many events and festivals. She also enjoyed doing her watercolor paintings and portraits. Marguerite also considered herself a "fiber artist," evidenced by her many unique crocheted creations.

While living in West Lafayette, she enjoyed membership in a women's sketch group. Marguerite also was a member of Tri Kappa, Rochester, and a 19-year member of Post 867 American Legion Auxiliary of Mundelein.

She is survived by her daughter, Phyllis (George) Philbrick of Palatine, Ill.; sons, David Frost of Mundelein, Jack (Linda) Frost of Maryland; daughter-in-law, Nadine (the late John) Frost of Washington state; grandchildren, Bryan Frost of Washington state, Andrea Frost of Alaska; her sisters, Carol (Mitchell) Bennett of Indiana, Elaine (Mitchell) VanLue of Florida; her brother, Robert Mitchell of Indiana; cousin, Helen Jean Warnock of Michigan; her brother-in-law, John Frost of North Carolina; and nine nieces and nephews.

Marguerite always gave to others, expecting nothing in return. She will be dearly missed.

Funeral services are private. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Advocate Condell Medical Center Hospice, 111 W. Church St., Libertyville, IL 60048 or Save-A-Pet, 31664 N. Fairfield Rd., Grayslake, IL 60030. Arrangements are by Kristan Funeral Home P.C., 219 West Maple Ave., Mundelein, Ill. For information, visit www.kristanfuneralhome.com or call 847-566-8020.
Vernon C. Meredith

Services for Vernon C. MEREDITH, 79, Burket, who died Wednesday at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne, have been changed due to the power outages in Mentone.

His funeral service will be at 1 p.m. Sunday at King Memorial Home, Mentone, with visitation from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. today.

Monday, December 22, 2008

Maegan Mariah Noel Hiatt

Maegan Mariah Noel HIATT, daughter of Michael and Julie Hiatt, 1009 Arthur St., Rochester, was stillborn Thursday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, is handling arrangements.

Daisy Christine Wray Jones


Daisy Christine Wray JONES, 87, of 1205 Wabash Ave., Rochester, died at 1 a.m. Saturday at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Born in Boones Mill, Va., she was the daughter of Frank and Marjorie Anderson Wray. On Sept. 15, 1939, in Howard County, she married Lyman Everett Jones. He preceded her in death on April 2, 2008.

She was a homemaker and dedicated housewife and a member of Trinity United Methodist Church, Rochester.

Daisy was a wife and mother with many strong family traditions grounded in her philosophy of life. Caring for her family was of supreme importance, especially her loving husband of nearly 70 years. She is remembered for putting the needs of family and special friends before her own. It was with great pride that she attended to the daily domestic chores of cooking and keeping the family's home running smoothly.

As matriarch of the family, her appointment of grandmother and great-grandmother was truly cherished. She treasured the visits of
her grandchildren and followed them closely with their academic achievements and many accomplishments they made along life's journey. Recently the fifth generation of the Jones family arrived and Daisy was again proud of the arrival of the newest generation.

Until just a few years ago, Lyman and Daisy planted vegetable gardens annually and shared the harvest with neighbors and special friends. Daisy was delighted with her flower gardens and she enjoyed helping with landscape projects. As an expert in genealogy, Daisy collected many pictures, memorabilia and artifacts in an effort to preserve the family history.

She looked forward to Christmas, her favorite holiday. Her 88th birthday would have also been next week.

She is survived by three sons, James E. Jones, Sanford, N.C., Donald M. Jones and wife Geneva, Jackson, Ky., and Jerry L. Jones and wife Tani, Riverton, Utah; seven grandchildren; five great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild; a brother, Harry Wray and wife Joan, Kokomo; a sister, Onita Brass, Crossville, Tenn.; and special friend, Doug Blackburn, South Bend. She was also preceded in death by her parents.

A celebration of the life of Daisy Christine Wray Jones will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Rev. Buck Padilla will officiate. She will be laid to rest next to her beloved husband, Lyman, at Rochester's IOOF Cemetery. Friends may visit with her sons from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. today and one hour prior to her service Tuesday in the funeral home. Preferred memorials in lieu of flowers may be made to Trinity United Methodist Church. Online condolences may be sent to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Robert J. Wikman

Robert J. WIKMAN, 84, Culver, died Friday in Culver. Survivors include his wife, Lori Wikman, Culver; a son, John Wikman, Greenwood; four daughters, Leona Coffelt, Sacramento, Calif., Diana Wikman, Montrose, Colo., Joan Smith, Rancho
Cordova, Calif., and Sonya Conroy, Kankakee, Ill.; and a brother, Jack Wikman, Phoenix, Ariz.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday at St. Mary's of the Lake Catholic Church, Culver, with visitation from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. today at Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver.

Tuesday, December 23, 2008

Maegan Mariah Noelle Hiatt
Maegan Mariah Noelle HIATT, daughter of Michael and Julie Hiatt, 1009 Arthur St., was stillborn Thursday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Survivors also include three sisters, Maddison, Mikayla and Mallory, and a brother, Peyton.

Private family services will be conducted. Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, is handling arrangements.

Wednesday, December 24, 2008

Charles Edward Gaby
Charles Edward GABY, 59, of 800 Hoham Drive, Plymouth, died at 3:47 a.m. Tuesday at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, South Bend.

Arrangements are pending at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

Thursday, December 25, 2008

No Paper-Holiday

Friday, December 26, 2008

Charles Edward Gaby
Charles Edward GABY, 59, of 800 Hoham Drive, Plymouth, died Tuesday at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, South Bend.
Survivors include his wife, Connie Gaby, Plymouth; daughter, Courtney E. Gaby, Plymouth; and brother, R. Daniel Gaby, Mishawaka.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos, with visitation from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday.

**Ralph F. Hamman**

Services for Ralph F. HAMMAN, 85, of Monterey will be at 1 p.m. Sunday at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Homes, 123 E. Main St., Kewanna, with Pastor Glen Meyers officiating.

He passed away Wednesday at the Richard L. Roudebush Veterans Hospital in Indianapolis.

Born Dec. 20, 1923, in Kewanna, he was the son of the late Herbert and Golda (Woolington) Hamman. On Dec. 19, 1962, he married Phyllis I. Hopkins; she survives.

Ralph was a 1942 Kewanna High School graduate. He was a World War II Army veteran and a member of the American Legion No. 319, Monterey, and the VFW No. 6919, Culver. He enjoyed fishing, mushroom hunting and playing cards.

He formerly owned and operated the Monterey Lumber Company, retiring in 1987 after 26 years.

Survivors include his wife, Phyllis I. Hamman of Monterey; sons, Kenny Hamman and wife Sue of Winamac, Brian Hamman and wife Carolyn of Culver, Tony Bean and wife Twyla of Monterey and Kevin Bean of Logansport; daughter, Kim Mitch and husband Jack of Yorktown; brother, Ronald Hamman of Kewanna; sisters, Ruth Talbott of Kewanna and Betty Frazie of Fort Wayne; eight granddaughters and six grandsons; and two great-granddaughters and six great-grandsons.

Ralph was preceded in death by his first wife, Mary Rachel (Galbreath) Hamman in 1960, and he was also preceded by: daughter, Connie Conley; grandson, Christopher Conley; two sisters, Lucille Newcomer and Ginger Good; and two brothers, Herbert "Bud" Hamman and Robert Hamman.
Friends may call from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Homes, 123 E. Main St., Kewanna. Burial with military rites will be conducted at Riverside Memorial Cemetery in Monterey at a later date. Memorial contributions may be made to one's favorite charity. Online condolences may be made to the Hamman family at www.harrisonmetzger.com.

**John Thomas Lakey**

John Thomas LAKEY, 82, of 416 W. Fourth St., Rochester, died at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday at Life Care Center, Rochester.

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

**Robert D. Leavell**

Nov. 24, 1918-Dec. 23, 2008

Robert D. "Bob" LEAVELL, 90, of 7175 S. 125 West, Rochester, passed away at 11:49 p.m. Tuesday at Woodbridge Health Campus, Logansport.

He was born on Nov. 24, 1918, in Fulton County, the son of Clyde and Ruth (Marsh) Leavell. On March 14, 1941, in Star City, he married Marie Boldry and she survives.

Mr. Leavell had been a salesman for Cargil Feed, retiring on Jan. 1, 1981. He had also owned and operated the Fulton, Ind., Feed Mill and farmed. Mr. Leavell had been a member of the Fletcher's Lake United Methodist Church, Fulton Masonic Lodge, Fulton Lions Club, Liberty Township Trustee for 10 years and fire chief for the Fulton-Liberty Township Volunteer Fire Department for 35 years. He enjoyed camping and traveling.

Survivors include his wife, Marie Leavell, Rochester; sons, Joe and wife Alice Leavell, Carmel, Jerry and wife Betty Leavell, Rochester, Jack and wife Nancy Leavell, Cary, N.C., Jeff and wife Diane Leavell, Fenton, Mo.; daughters, Judy and husband Ken Uiselt, Mercer, Pa., and Joan and husband Wayne Steele, Rochester; grandchildren, Darla Mitchell, Dennis Leavell, Todd Leavell, Tina Burns, Michelle Leavell, Parry Leavell, Amy Horne, Leanne Doty,
Chris Tighe, Ken Uiselt, Ryan Steele, Lindsey Mulholland, Jamie Leavell, Jessica Rockwell, Brittany Leavell, Rob Leavell; 15 great-grandchildren; and brothers, Paul and wife Donna Leavell, Sunrise Beach, Mo., and Jim and wife Martha Leavell, Cheyenne, Wyo. He was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers and three sisters.

Funeral services will be conducted at 10 a.m. Monday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Fulton, with the Rev. Dave Sommers officiating. Friends may call from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday and one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Masonic services will take place at 6 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home. Burial will be at Ever-Rest Memorial Park, Logansport. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association, American Diabetes Association or the Arthritis Foundation. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

Saturday, December 27, 2008

Dorothea Troike Boilini

Dorothea Troike BOILINI, 82, North Judson, died Wednesday at Woodlawn Hospital.

Survivors include her husband John Boilini, North Judson; daughters, Linda Lee Dwyer, Burlingame, Calif., Shanz Boilini, Los Angeles, Calif., Donna Rowe, North Judson, and Laura Huffman, Columbia City; a sister, Judy Dobbins, Chesterfield; and a brother, Paul Troike, San Marcos, Calif.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Monday at SS Cyril & Methodius Catholic Church, North Judson, with visitation from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Central time Sunday at O'Donnell Funeral Home, North Judson.
Thomas E. Dunnuck, Samuel Dunnuck, Gabriel Dunnuck

Thomas E. Dunnuck
July 1, 1960-Dec. 24, 2008
Samuel Dunnuck
Gabriel Dunnuck

Thomas E. DUNNUCK, 48, of 1014 Parkway Drive, West Fargo, N.D., died at approximately 9 a.m. Dec. 24, 2008, near Alexandria, Minn., in a weather-related accident on I-94 involving two other vehicles. He died at the scene, along with his two sons, Samuel, 15, born March 16, 1993, and Gabriel, 12, born July 22, 1996. Seriously injured in the accident, but not killed, was his daughter, Anna Grace, 9. They were traveling to Mentone for a family Christmas celebration.

He was born July 1, 1960, in Bloomington, to Forst and Louise Kelly Dunnuck. He was formerly married to Dianne Gentry, his children's mother. In 2000, he moved to West Fargo from Indianapolis, where he had lived for seven years. He also previously lived in Pittsburgh, Pa., and Dallas, Texas. He was a district sales manager for Dow Agro-Sciences.

He graduated from Tippecanoe Valley High School in 1978 and from Purdue University in 1987. He attended the Bethel Evangelical Free Church. In his youth, he attended the Harrison Center Church, Etna Green.


A memorial service for Thomas, Samuel and Gabriel will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at King Memorial Home, Mentone, with Pastors Larry Goss, Dennis Croy and William Stevens officiating. Additional funeral services and burial for Thomas and his sons will be in Fargo, N.D. Calling is one hour prior to the service Saturday at the funeral
George R. Hoover

George R. HOOVER, 71, of 2185 Sycamore, Rochester, died at 8:50 p.m. Thursday in the Woodlawn Hospital emergency room.

Born in South Bend, he was the son of Galen and Meda Pratt Hoover. He graduated from Kewanna High School with the Class of 1955. On Sept. 14, 1958, in Kewanna, he married Patricia Kumler, and she survives at home.

As a banker, George is remembered for his gentle demeanor and his kindness with assisting friends and clients with their financial concerns at the Farmers & Merchants Bank on the corner of Eighth and Main streets. He transitioned with the change of times and newer names but George was reliable and remained to welcome new and old customers to the friendly confines of Indiana Lawrence until his retirement as vice president in 1998.

George loved his church, Grace United Methodist. As a devoted member, he served in a variety of capacities. He'll be remembered as a mellow tenor in the choir. He sang for more than 30 years, including this year's Christmas Eve service. He also served as the financial secretary for a number of years and was a member of the Kum-Join-Us Class.

At home George and Pat planted a vast vegetable garden annually. As an armchair athlete, he cheered for the I.U. basketball teams, Chicago Bears and Cubs, along with the Indianapolis Colts.

He was very proud of his grandchildren and their many accomplishments, both academic and athletic. He rarely missed one of Alec's soccer matches and was delighted to watch Elle's recitals.

George and Pat celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary this past September. He leaves behind his loving wife Pat, adoring children and grandchildren, many friends from the business world, along with his treasured Grace church family to cherish his memory.
Survivors include a daughter, Jennie Carey and husband Charles, Plymouth; a son, Jeffrey Hoover and wife Joy, Peoria, Ill.; and three grandchildren, Alec Carey, Plymouth, Katie Howard and Elle Hoover, both of Peoria, Ill.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Joan Johnson; and a brother, Roy Hoover.

A celebration of the life of Mr. George R. Hoover will be at 10 a.m. Monday at Grace United Methodist Church with Pastor Maurice Grindle officiating. Visitation will be from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., and one hour prior to the service at the church. Preferred memorials, in lieu of flowers, may be made to Grace United Methodist Church. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com

Jean V. Kennedy

Jean V. KENNEDY, 83, LaPorte, formerly of Rochester, died at 2:45 p.m. Friday at the LaPorte Regional Hospital.

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

John Thomas Lakey

John Thomas LAKEY, 82, of 416 W. Fourth St., Rochester, and longtime North Carolina resident, passed away at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday at Life Care Center of Rochester.

He was born on Dec. 28, 1925, in Mocksville, N.C., the son of G.L. and Mary (Bemin) Lakey. He married Helen Elizabeth Ritchie in Salisbury, N.C., and she preceded him in death on July 28, 1992. He was a U.S. Navy veteran of World War II.

Mr. Lakey retired from Southern Railroad in Charlotte, N.C., where he worked as a carman. He also owned and operated a dump truck service, as well as working in his younger years at restaurants, bakeries and as a farmer. He was a member of the American Legion and had attended the Sanctuary of Praise Church in Rochester. He
enjoyed gardening, flowers, landscaping, painting and loved to spend time in Myrtle Beach, S.C.

Survivors include his son, Gary Lee and Debra Lakey, Rochester; daughters, Mary Frances and husband Roger Baker, Chebanse, Ill., and Jeannie and husband Danny Gregory, Rochester; grandchildren, Daniel Gregory, Argos, Dawn Gregory, Demotte, Eric and wife Jennifer Baker, Maine, Jonathan Baker, Chebanse, Ill.; seven great-grandchildren; sisters, Pauline Nelms, Royston, Ga., and Ruth Story, Linwood, N.C.; and brothers, Roy Lakey, Lester Lakey and Gilbert Lakey, all of Linwood, N.C. He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Rod Lakey; and sisters, Margaret Jenkins and Willie May.

No services or visitation will be observed. Burial will take place at a later date at Salisbury National Cemetery, Salisbury, N.C. Memorial contributions may be made to the Sanctuary of Praise or the Omega Church. Arrangements are by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

Deane J. Peterson

Services for Deane J. PETERSON, 83, of Lake Bruce, will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, 123 E. Main St., Kewanna.

He passed away at 5:15 a.m. Friday at his residence.

Born Oct. 8, 1925, in Pulaski County, he was the son of the late Justice J. and Ruth (Bitterling) Peterson. On June 30, 1948, he married Anajean Young, and she survives.

Deane was a 1944 Monterey High School graduate and a veteran of the U.S. Army. He was also an avid deer hunter.

He retired in 1989 from General Transfer Company in Rochester.

Survivors include his wife, Anajean Peterson, Lake Bruce; sons, Don L. Peterson and his wife, Jovy, Kewanna, and Dwight R. Peterson and his wife, Venita, Winamac; daughter, Vivian A.
Peterson, Kewanna; sister, Eileen Adams, Chicago, Ill.; nine grandchildren, Daniel J. Peterson, James Peterson, Rendall Lawson, Joshua Lawson, Kori Peterson, Blayne Peterson, Jenny Peterson, Joemer Peterson and JeeAnne Peterson; and one great-grandchild, Quintin Peterson.

Deane was also preceded in death by brothers, Verl and Wayne Peterson, and sisters, Fern Mitchell and Eileen.

Friends may call from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., Monday at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, 123 E. Main St., Kewanna, and also one hour prior to the time of the service on Tuesday.

Burial with military rites will be conducted at Moon Cemetery, Kewanna, and Rev. Steven McPeek will officiate. Memorial contributions may be made to Hope Hospice, P.O. Box 621, Rochester, IN 46975. Online condolences may be made to the Peterson family at www.harrisonmetzger.com.

Monday, December 29, 2008

Harold G. Beall

Harold G. BEALL, 95, Logansport, died Saturday at Miller's Merry Manor, Logansport.

Survivors include children, Dan Beall, Rome City, Robert Beall, Twelve Mile, Rita Musselman, Logansport, James Grimes, Fulton, and Stan Grimes, Logansport.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday at Gundrum Funeral Home, Logansport, with visitation from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. today.

Donlee Ryan Bellanca

Donlee Ryan BELLANCA, 3 months old, of 402 Pontiac St., Rochester, died at 5:48 a.m. Saturday at Riley Children's Hospital.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.
Jean V. Kennedy
June 16, 1925-Dec. 26, 2008

Jean V. KENNEDY, 83, of 1211 Longwood Dr., LaPorte, formerly of Rochester, passed away at 2:35 p.m. Friday at LaPorte Regional Hospital, LaPorte.

She was born on June 16, 1925, in Starke County, the daughter of Henry and Christina (Fitting) Becker. She married Ronald Dale Kennedy on Aug. 7, 1952, in San Pierre. He preceded her in death on July 20, 2004.

Mrs. Kennedy retired from Dean Foods of Rochester. She had been a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church, Rochester, and St. Joseph Catholic Church, LaPorte, as well as a Rochester Moose Lodge member.

Survivors include her sisters, Mary Tannehill, LaPorte, Catherine Kneisler, Charleston, Ill.; a brother, James Becker, Wyomissing, Pa.; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents.

Funeral mass will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Rochester, with the Rev. Joseph Jacob officiating. Friends may call from 9 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. Tuesday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Burial will be in the All Saints Cemetery, San Pierre. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Joseph Catholic Church, Rochester, or St. Joseph Catholic Church, LaPorte, or to the donor's favorite charity. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

Donald G. Scott

Donald G. SCOTT, 91, founder of Scott's Food Stores, passed away Saturday, Dec. 27, 2008, at Mayo Clinic in Jacksonville, Fla.

Born in Galveston, he was active in 4-H Club, showing Hereford calves and spotted Poland pigs at the Cass County and the Indiana State Fair, winning many awards. He loved working the fields with his father, Lee, and three brothers.

He attended Lincoln, Galveston and Ball State University. While at Ball State, he married Marjorie Hutchens in 1939; she
preceded him in death in 1978. He worked at Marsh Supermarket while at Ball State and was the first non-family stockholder. He served in the United States Army Air Corps. While in the service, he attended Montana State University as an aviation air cadet.

In 1954, he founded Scott's Food Stores, taking the company to northeast Indiana's largest food retailer before retiring in 1996. He had 18 stores and 4,300 associates. From the first 10,000-square-foot store at Fairfield and Taylor, his niche was turning stores that failed into successes. He was a well-respected and regarded business leader who led with kindness and respect and started many others in their careers.

He received an honorary Doctor of Humanities from the University of St. Francis, Fort Wayne. He was inducted into the Greater Fort Wayne Business Hall of Fame in 1996. He was appointed Sagamore of the Wabash by Gov. Orr, as well as receiving numerous other citations and awards on the local, state and national level.

He was involved in numerous charitable and private boards. He served as chairman on the Indiana State Egg Board for 15 years. He was a member of Trinity English Lutheran Church.

He was an avid golfer who played until age 90 and played tennis until his late 80s.

He married Rose Botts in 1980. They have homes in Fort Wayne and Jacksonville, Fla.

Also surviving are two daughters, Cheryl Scott (Tina Taviano) of Fort Wayne and Lee Scott of Venice, Calif.; one grandson, Chris (Emily) Irmscher of St. Charles, Ill.; two granddaughters, "T" Irmscher of Fort Wayne, and Ariel Hassman of Venice, Calif.; three great-grandchildren; three stepdaughters, Joan (Gary) McVoy of Fort Wayne, Linda (Tony) DeBenedetto of Jacksonville, Fla., and Dianne Peterson of Fort Wayne; six stepgrandchildren; and seven stepgreat-grandchildren.

His service will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Trinity English Lutheran Church, 405 W. Wayne St., Fort Wayne, with calling one hour prior and the Rev. Frederick E. Hasecke officiating. Calling will also be from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. Friday at D.O. McComb & Sons Covington Knolls Funeral Home, 8325 Covington Rd. Private
entombment will be in Lindenwood Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Don G. Scott Scholarship Foundation at the University of Saint Francis, Fort Wayne, or Trinity English Lutheran Church, Fort Wayne.

**Bobby Dean Thomas Sr.**

Bobby Dean THOMAS Sr., 66, of 411 W. South St., Argos, died Saturday at home.

Survivors include his wife, Kathy Thomas, Argos; three sons, Vearl Thomas, Columbus, Ohio, Leonard Thomas, Deland, Fla., and Bobby Thomas Jr., Dothan, Ala.; a daughter, Tracy Thomas, Birmingham, Ala.; four brothers, Billy Thomas, Clearwater, Fla., Lowell Thomas, Palm Bay, Fla., Teddy Thomas, Lexington, Ky., and Freddy Thomas, St. Petersburg, Fla.; and two sisters, Sue Tully, New Castle, and Libby Newhouse, Rockledge, Fla.

No services or visitation are planned. Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos, is handling arrangements.

**Joan Barr Tipmore**


Joan (Joie) Barr TIPMORE, 88, a native of Rochester, died Dec. 12 in Tuscaloosa, Ala., following a lengthy illness.

She was the widow of Floyd L. (Bill) Tipmore, who died in 1996, and the daughter of Guy and Marianne Barr. The Barr family home was at 1020 Jefferson St., from where Joan attended elementary school and graduated from Rochester High School in 1938. The Barrs were members of the First Baptist Church.

Joan attended Indiana University, where she was a member of Kappa Alpha Theta sorority and where she met her husband, Bill. He had been an outstanding athlete at Elkhart High School and at Indiana University captained both football and basketball teams. Joan later graduated from Huntington College and after moving with her family to Florida entered the banking business.

Joan's family was prominent in Rochester affairs. Her grandfather, George Dawson, was in the drug store business at the
southwest corner of Main and Eighth streets for 54 years. Her father, Guy Barr, was an outstanding basketball player, being a member of the first RHS team and then with the undefeated Purdue team of 1911-12. His 97 points scored as a Zebra remains the state's single-game high school scoring record.

Joan is survived by her son, David, Marion, Ala.; her daughter and husband, Marianne Cannon-Doress and Irvin Doress, Wenham, Mass.; granddaughters Emily Cummings, Boston, Mass., and Catherine Brownworth, Bethesda, Md., and their families. Also surviving are two nieces, Carol Reed, Monmouth, Ore., and Carol Raso, Huntley, Ill. A sister, Carolyn Ensign Buss, preceded in death.

Donations in Joan's memory can be made to St. Jude's Children's Fund and sent in care of son David Tipmore, 208 Clay St., Marion, AL 36756. A memorial service will be held Dec. 30 at St. Wilfred's Episcopal Church in Marion, Ala.

Tuesday, December 30, 2008

Donlee R. Bellanca

Donlee Ryan BELLANCA, 3 months, 402 Pontiac St., died at 5:48 a.m. Saturday at Riley Children's Hospital, Indianapolis.

Survivors include her parents, Don and Debbie Coffing Bellanca; a sister, Isabella N. Bellanca; two brothers, Tyler S. Coffing and Lane C. Coffing, all of Rochester.

Her funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Friday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is noon to 2 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

Larry A. Paxton


Larry A. PAXTON, 71, 1 Lemon St., B.H.R., Okeechobee, Fla., formerly of Bourbon, died at 3:05 a.m., Monday, Dec. 29, 2008, at Hendry Regional Medical Center, Clewiston, Fla.

Born Jan. 11, 1937 in Warsaw to Donald and Alta Hemminger Paxton, he was a graduate of Etna Green High School. He retired from
Biomet in Warsaw, where he was a polisher. He was a U.S. Navy veteran.

Mr. Paxton moved to Okeechobee, Fla., where he was an avid fisherman. He was a member of the Bourbon American Legion Post #424, the Rochester VFW, the Rochester Eagles lodge #852 and the Moose of Warsaw. He also attended the First Methodist Church, Okeechobee.

Survivors include two daughters, Lori and husband Chalmer Campbell, Akron, and Lisa and husband Mark Nifong, Plymouth; one son, Dayton A. Paxton, Claypool; three grandchildren, Travis and wife Sally Campbell, Corey Campbell and Morgen Nifong. He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Donna Groshuns.

His funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Jan. 2, 2009, at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone with Pastor Terry Canfield officiating. Burial will be at Etna Green Cemetery where graveside military rites will be performed by the Bourbon American Legion Post #424. Visitation is 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society. Online condolences may be offered at www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

Wednesday, December 31, 2008

Donlee R. Bellanca

Donlee Ryan BELLANCA, 3 months, 402 Pontiac St., died at 5:48 a.m. Saturday at Riley Children's Hospital, Indianapolis.

Survivors include his parents, Don and Debbie Coffing Bellanca; a sister, Isabella N. Bellanca; two brothers, Tyler S. Coffing and Lane C. Coffing, all of Rochester.

His funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Friday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is noon to 2 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.
**Jessie L. Hoover**  

Jessie L. HOOVER, 84, of 2709 Goose Pond Road, Rochester, died at 11:30 p.m. Monday at her daughter's Akron residence. She was in failing health for six months after an automobile accident.

Born in Goodman, Wis., she was the daughter of Leroy and Flo Deeds Brown. On Oct. 5, 1945, she married Glen C. Hoover, and he preceded her in death on Sept. 17, 2006.

She retired from the former Torin Manufacturing in Rochester.

She served in the Canadian Women's Army Corp.

She enjoyed making crafts and taking them to the Trail of Courage. She also liked entering various contests and would make special envelopes to enter to win prizes.

Survivors include a daughter, Ethel and husband Larry Wood, Akron; a son, Sidney and wife Judy Hoover, St. Joseph, Mo.; six grandchildren; four stepgrandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren and nine stepgreat-grandchildren.

She was also preceded in death by a son, Allen Hoover, on April 30, 1978; a granddaughter; two sisters; and six brothers.

Following Jessie's wishes, the family will have a private funeral service at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron. Pastor Brian Sewell will officiate. Burial will be at Deedsville IOOF Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County, P.O. Box 621, Rochester, IN 46975. Online condolences may be sent to www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

**Juanita P. Teghtmeyer**  
Nov. 8, 1922-Dec. 29, 2008

Juanita P. TEGHTMEYER, 86, of 1913 W. 1500 North, Akron, died at 6:22 p.m. Monday at Memorial Hospital, South Bend.

The daughter of Edson and Lottie Bryant Bowen, she was born in Fulton County and lived her whole life here.

On July 26, 1941, she married Clarence Ray Teghtmeyer in Warsaw. He preceded her in death.
She was a photographer and worked in graphic arts. She also worked at Topps Manufacturing for 26 years.

She attended Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church and was a former member of Women of the Moose and Business & Professional Women of Fulton County. She enjoyed cooking, music and playing the organ.

Survivors include her son, Allen Teghtmeyer, Florence, Ariz.; five grandchildren, Ron Krathwohl, Greg Krathwohl, Rick Krathwohl, Jacob Teghtmeyer and Tysha Teghtmeyer; five great-grandchildren; a sister, Lovie Mathias, Akron; a half brother, Nelson Bowen, Cleveland, Ohio; and nieces and nephews.

In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by her parents; a daughter, Betty Lewis; a sister, Leona Walters; and a brother, Delford Bowen.

A celebration of Juanita Teghtmeyer's life will be at 10 a.m. Friday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Pastor Wayne Balmer officiating. Burial will be at Omega Cemetery. Friends may visit with the family from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday and one hour prior to the service. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be sent to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.
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