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**Teresa L. Honeycutt**

Sept. 25, 1955 – Jan. 1, 2017

Teresa L. Honeycutt, 61, of rural Akron, passed away at 4:50 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 1, 2017, at her residence after being in failing health for six months. She was born on Sept. 25, 1955, in Paintsville, Ky., to Willis Roby and Ellen Arlene (Murry) Fairchild. On Sept. 23, 1972, in Paintsville, Ky., she married Billy R. Honeycutt. He survives.

She worked at Comfort Inn of Rochester and Peabody Retirement Community of North Manchester and was a loving wife and mother.

Teresa was a member of the House of Prayer church of Akron since 1989. She loved spending time with family and enjoyed shopping for all kinds of things. She also enjoyed country and gospel music.

Survivors include her husband, Bill Honeycutt, Akron; her daughters, Lisa Honeycutt, Akron, Mandy and husband Justin Gearhart, Akron, and Tonya and husband Ryan Kirksey, Akron; six grandchildren, Dylan, Deziree, Madison, Jake, Blake and Breanna; her sisters, Paula and Sheila; and her brothers, Lee, Phillip and Mike. She was preceded in death by her parents; her daughter, Sherry; her sisters, Francis, Mag and Brenda; and her brother, Victor.

Funeral service is 2 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 4, 2017, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Pastor Danny Honeycutt officiating. Burial is at Akron Cemetery. Visitation is from 11 a.m. until the time of the service Wednesday at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to Teresa's family. Family and friends may share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

**Edna P. Carpenter**

Edna P. Carpenter, 104, died Sunday at her daughter's home.

Survivors include two daughters, Joan C. McClellan, Rochester, and Linda S. Town, Elkhart; and a son, Jim W. Carpenter, Rochester.

Funeral service is 11 a.m. Monday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is from 9:30 a.m. until the time of the service Monday at the funeral home.

### **Robert L. Lane**

Robert L. Lane, 69, Deedsville, died Sunday at Dukes Memorial Hospital, Peru.

Survivors include two children, Everett L. Lane, Deedsville, and Clifford W. Lane, Peru; and one sister, Marion Evans, North Carolina.

Funeral service is 2 p.m. Thursday at McClain Funeral Home. Visitation is from noon until the time of the service Thursday at the funeral home.

Wednesday January 4, 2017

### **Annabelle L. Hart**

Dec. 9, 1926 - Jan. 3, 2017

Annabelle L. Hart, 90, Rochester, passed away at 4:40 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 3, 2017, at Life Care Center of Rochester.

She was born on Dec. 9, 1926, in Akron, Ohio, the daughter of William and Miriam Swan. On Aug. 27, 1947, in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, she married Gene E. Hart. He survives.

Mrs. Hart had been a homemaker and early in life had worked at Wilson Corn Products and DeBruler Studios in Rochester. She was a member of the Community Presbyterian Church, where she had been a deacon, elder and clerk of session. In her leisure time, she enjoyed playing bridge, painting and drawing, needlepoint and working in her garden.

Survivors include her husband, Gene E. Hart, Rochester; daughter Gretchen Walter, Rochester; grandson Christopher Walter and fiancée Corey Garrett, Indianapolis; sister Carol and husband Jerry Curtis, Petersburg, Va.; and brother Jim and wife Kathy Cross, Wanatah. She was preceded in death by her son, Christopher Elsworth Hart in 1965; her parents; and one sister.

Funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday, Jan. 6, 2017, at Community Presbyterian Church, Rochester, with the Rev. Bill Kleymann officiating. Friends may visit from 6-8 p.m. Thursday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, and one hour prior to the service Friday at the church. Burial will be in the Citizens

Cemetery, Rochester. Memorial contributions may be made to the Community Presbyterian Church or the donor's favorite charity. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

**Agnes Eileen Eckelbarger**

Nov. 20, 1934 - Dec. 29, 2016

Agnes Eileen Eckelbarger, 82, Rochester, passed away at 5:20 a.m. Dec. 29, 2016, at her residence.

She was born on Nov. 20, 1934, in Brownsburg, the daughter of Winnie W. and Margaret Agnes (Thompson) Friedrich. In 1976, she married David Eckelbarger. He preceded her in death on Oct. 30, 2016.

Mrs. Eckelbarger had been a homemaker and early in life had worked at Woodlawn Hospital in the x-ray department. She had attended St. Joseph Catholic Church and loved to make ceramics, sewing and creating dolls and collecting Cabbage Patch dolls.

Survivors include her children, Victoria and husband Ted Phillips, Rochester, Karen and husband Kevin Hendry, Gulfport, Miss., Faron and wife Debbie Eckelbarger, Lake Havasu City, Ariz., Rhonda Kauffman, Bremen, and Justin Eckelbarger, Rochester; 10 grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; sisters Jane Groover, Kentland, and Alice Huber, Florida; and brother Jerry Friedrich, Florida. She was preceded in death by her parents; daughter Ramona Waller; brothers James Edward Friedrich and Samuel Richard Friedrich; and sisters Marjorie Ann Friedrich, Regina Catherine McClelland, Therese Marie Friedrich, Sara Margaret Friedrich and Mary Barrickman.

A graveside service will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 14, 2017, at the Citizens Cemetery, Rochester, with a luncheon and visitation period to follow at the Rochester Lions clubhouse. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

Thursday January 5, 2017

**Gene A. Seidner**

June 30, 1929 – Jan. 3, 2017

Gene A. Seidner, 87, Rochester, passed away at 11:55 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 3, 2017, at his residence.

He was born on June 30, 1929, in Ora, the son of Raymond Guy and Edith Elizabeth (Burkett) Seidner. Gene was an United States Army veteran, having served in the Korean War. On May 23, 1953, at the First Christian Church in Rochester, he married Enid Ilagene Seidner. She preceded him in death on June 5, 2011.

Gene worked for Dean Foods for more 34 years, retiring on Dec. 31, 1994, and was a member of the Antioch Baptist Church. He enjoyed reading and was an avid New York Yankees fan.

Survivors include his children, Steven Lee and wife Linda Seidner, Fort Wayne, and Rebecca Lynne Brandenburg, Rochester; grandchildren Jeremy Drudge, Rochester, Jamie Drudge, Rochester, Kandi Brandenburg, Rochester, Shane and wife Rachel Seidner, Briceville, Tenn., and Shanna and husband Steve Constant, Wartburg, Tenn.; stepgrandchildren Scott and wife Heather Brandenburg, Cassopolis, Mich., and Corey Brandenburg, Rochester; nine great-grandchildren; sisters Marlene Clark, Soap Lake, Wash., and Pat Taylor, Albuquerque, N.M.; brother Bill and wife Shirley Willard, Rochester; and stepsister Wilma Tullis, Macy. He was preceded in death by his parents; stepfather Jim Willard; brother Robert Seidner; stepsisters Louise Vernon Skidmore, and Shirley Wagoner; and stepbrother Chad Willard.

Graveside service will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Jan. 13, 2017, at Citizens Cemetery, Rochester, where military graveside services will be conducted by the Fulton County Veterans Honor Guard. Memorial contributions may be made to the Antioch Baptist Church. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **John L. DePue**

John L. DePue, 87, Argos, died Tuesday at South Bend Hospice House.

Survivors include his wife, Rosemary DePue, Argos; his daughters, Rose Anna VanHorn, Culver, and Paula Arvesen, Bremen; his sister, Lena Tomforde, Boca Raton, Fla.; and his brother, Lawrence DePue, Buchanan, Mich.

Funeral service is 10 a.m. Monday at the Walnut Church of the Brethren, 5975 19th Road, Argos. Visitation is 2-6 p.m. Sunday at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos.

Friday January 6, 2017

**Janet M. King**

Janet M. King, 72, Rochester, died Thursday at Life Care Center of Rochester. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

Saturday January 7, 2017

**Janet M. King**

June 12, 1944 - Jan. 5, 2017

Janet M. King, 72, Rochester, passed away at 4:48 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 5, 2017, at Life Care Center of Rochester. She was born on June 12, 1944, in Rochester, the daughter of William W. and Evelyn (Johnson) King.

She had worked for many years at First National Bank, now Wells Fargo, in Rochester before retiring. She had attended the First Presbyterian Church and was a member of the Rebekahs' Lodge. She enjoyed horses, cooking and reading.

Survivors include her sister, Carol Jean and husband Danny Oliver, Hamilton, Ala.; brother William H. and wife Serita King, Bourbon; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; stepmother Cora King; and uncles Don King and Robert King.

Her funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 8, 2017, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with the Rev. Jerry Pitman officiating. Friends may call one hour prior to the service Sunday at the funeral home. Burial will be at the Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

**Rosalie Hutchins**

May 24, 1927 - Jan. 5, 2017

Rosalie Hutchins, 89, Macy, passed away early Thursday morning at her home.

She was born on May 24, 1927, in Kokomo to Raymond and Allie (Weaver) Ronk. She married Kenneth R. Hutchins on Feb. 19, 1951, in Forest. He survives.

Rosie worked for Delco Radio in Kokomo in her early years; she later worked for the Howard County Treasurer's office. She graduated from Galveston High School in 1945 and was still active in the Galveston High School Alumni Association. She was a member of the Omega Pi Tau sorority and the Indiana state square dance callers association.

She is survived by her husband, Kenneth Hutchins, Macy; and children Cathy Mathews, Kokomo, Sandra (Ike) Hulet, Russiaville, Jeff Hutchins (David Stewart), Chicago, and Daniel (Nan) Hutchins, Macy. Her surviving grandchildren include Sandra Walter, Sherri May, Brian Calhoun, Christine Long, Brandi Knepley, Kyle Hutchins, Kasey Hutchins, Todd Hutchins, Travis Hutchins, Kim Ferrel, Greg Mathews, Tracey Robinson and Toni Burns. Rosalie also is survived by 29 great-grandchildren; 4 great-great-grandchildren; one sister, Jean (Don) Hardin, Galveston; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents and two brothers.

Her funeral service will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 10, 2017, at Murray-Weaver Funeral Home in Galveston with the Rev. Gail Law officiating. Burial will follow at Memorial Park Cemetery in Kokomo. Visitation will be from 11 a.m. until the time of the service Tuesday at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made in Rosie's honor to the Trinity United Methodist Church, 801 Jefferson Street, Rochester, IN 46975. Murray-Weaver Funeral Home in Galveston is in charge of arrangements.

### **Edna Pearl Carpenter**

Nov. 9, 1912 - Jan. 1, 2017

Fulton County's oldest living Native American, Mrs. Edna P. Carpenter, 104 years, 1 month, 23 days, departed this life at 7:31 a.m. Jan. 1, 2017, at the home of her daughter.

Born on Nov. 9, 1912, in Newton County, Edna Pearl Howell was the cherished daughter of Adolphus and Eva Hildreth Howell. Growing up, she shared her childhood with a sister, Alma, and a brother, Glen.

A Native American, Edna's heritage included Potawatomi conveyed from her dad's side. Her mother contributed Chippewa heritage. The Indian name bestowed to her was "Dawn."

Growing up, her family was neighbors with the Wright brothers, Orville and Wilbur. She was intrigued with flight. On her 102nd birthday, her family surprised her with a hot air balloon ride, a great memory she dearly treasured.

In Morocco, on June 11, 1931, Edna married the love of her life, Mr. Chester Ray Carpenter. They enjoyed more than 78 years of life's adventures. From their union came four daughters and two sons. Through the years, Edna's family tree flourished with the added blessings of 17 grandchildren, 39 great-grandchildren, 10 great-great-grandchildren and a great-great-grandson.

As a homemaker, Edna was a great wife and mother to her husband and children. A versatile woman, she worked on the farm, driving the tractor and planting and maintaining the garden. She picked apples at the Lavengoods' orchard and manicured Christmas trees for the Kerns for nearly two and a half decades. To relax, Edna crocheted gifts of warmth for her family and special friends.

Left to cherish Edna's memory are two daughters, Joan C. McClellan and husband Roy, Rochester, and Linda S. Town and husband Ron, Elkhart; and a son, Jim W. Carpenter and wife Patsy, Rochester. Grandma Carpenter will also be missed by her loving 17 grandchildren, 39 great-grandchildren, 10 great-great-grandchildren and a great-great-great-grandson who all adored her. Edna was predeceased by two daughters, Marion Frances Carpenter, and Naomi Furnivall; a son, Dale R. Carpenter, in August 2016; a son-in-law, Donald Furnivall; three grandsons, Randy Furnivall, William Ray Carpenter, and Bobby Carpenter; one great-grandson, Vincent Wayne Carpenter Jr.; one great-great-granddaughter, Liberty Bartrum; a sister, Alma Pauline Town; and a brother, Glen Howell.

A celebration of the life of Mrs. Edna Pearl "Dawn" Carpenter will be at 11 a.m. Monday, Jan. 9, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Pastor Thad Stewart officiating. Friends may visit with her family from 9:30 a.m. until the time of the service Monday at the funeral home. Burial will follow the service at Rochester's IOOF Cemetery where she will be laid to eternal rest next to her beloved husband, Chester Ray "Bald Eagle" Carpenter. Memorials in lieu of flowers may be made to the Fulton County Museum, 37 E. 375 N., Rochester, IN 46975. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Monday January 9, 2017

### **Kathleen J. Landis**

June 1, 1938 - Jan. 7, 2017

Kathleen June Landis, 78, formerly of Akron, passed away at 12:05 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 7, 2017, at Pilgrim Manor of Plymouth, where she resided.

She was born on June 1, 1938, in Akron, to George and Alice (Linebrink) Swope. She was married to Richard Dittman, Arden Miller and Lewis Landis, who all preceded her in death.

She had done secretarial work in her working years in Texas. She was a 1956 graduate of Akron High School. She, in years past, served as secretary of the

Eagles Auxiliary of Rochester. She also was a member of the Manitou Pony Trotting Club.

Survivors include her daughter, Sandra Klein and companion Craig, LaPaz; sons, Ron and wife Lynne Dittman, Akron, Lee and wife Jeanette Dittman, Panama City, Fla.; 10 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, husbands, sister Margarite Swope and brother Jack Swope.

Her funeral service is 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 11, 2017, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Pastor David Eaton officiating. Burial is at Akron Cemetery. Visitation is from 5 p.m. until the time of the service Wednesday at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to Akron Cemetery Association. Family and friends may share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Edward J. Minarik**

Edward J. Minarik, 94, died Saturday at Life Care Center of Rochester. Arrangements are pending at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

Tuesday January 10, 2017

### **Edward John Minarik**

Oct. 1, 1922 – Jan. 7, 2017

Edward John Minarik, 94, North Liberty, passed away at 9:45 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 7, 2017, at Life Care Center of Rochester where he had been in declining health for the past couple of months.

He was born on Oct. 1, 1922, in San Pierre, the son of Frank J. Minarik and Stephanie (Kajer) Minarik.

He lived in the North Liberty community for the past 40 years, after living in Mishawaka. Edward was a farmer and worked at Uniroyal/Ball Band Manufacturing in Mishawaka, where he retired in 1986.

Edward was U.S. Army veteran of WWII, serving in the 3rd Battalion 318th Infantry beginning on Dec. 26, 1942. On Jan. 7, 1946, he received his honorable discharge. During his service, he earned two Bronze Stars.

He was a member of the American Legion Post 36, Rochester, and a lifetime member of the VFW Post 360, Mishawaka. He was also a member of the Gourd Club.

Survivors include his sisters, Louise Moore, Lakeville, and Ella Lockwood, Rochester; brother Frank Minarik, Rochester; sister-in-law Dolly Minarik,



Kewanna; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers George Minarik, Joseph Minarik, and Steve Minarik; and sisters Evelyn Bascom and Barbara Baran.

Friends may visit with the family from 4–8 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 11, 2017, at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos. His funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 12, 2017, at the funeral home with the Rev. Bruce Russell officiating. Burial will be at the Richland Center Cemetery, Rochester, with the United States Army Honor Guard and the Fulton County Veterans Honor Guard performing military rites.

Memorials may be made to the Marshall County Humane Society, 11165 13th Road, Plymouth, IN 46563, or the Fulton County Humane Society, 1540 Wentzel St., Rochester, IN 46975. Electronic condolences may be sent to the family at [www.earlgrossmanfuneral.com](http://www.earlgrossmanfuneral.com). Arrangements have been entrusted with the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

### **Larry P. Sellers**

May 5, 1943 – Jan. 7, 2017

Larry P. Sellers, 73, Culver, passed away on Jan. 7, 2017, at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center in Plymouth.

Larry was born May 5, 1943, in Plymouth, one of four children born to the late Phillip and Elsie (McCoy) Sellers. Larry attended Aubbeenaubbee school and enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1963.

Upon returning home, he married Christine Nelson, and together, they raised three daughters.

Larry worked in the construction business for more than 40 years, eventually retiring as a foreman at Crider & Crider.

Larry was a patriotic man who loved his country. He truly loved spending time with his family and enjoyed living on the family homestead. He was also a big Elvis fan and visited Graceland.

Larry is survived by his daughters, Jennifer (Chris) Mathews, Chicago, Ill., Jayme Sellers, Culver, and Cara (David) Masterson, Culver; grandchildren Griffin, Callie, Cadin, Emma and Sophie; and two great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents; brother Grover “Bud” Sellers; and sisters Anita Bottorff and Doris Sellers.

There will be a time of visitation with the family at the Odom Funeral Home, Culver, on Wednesday, Jan. 11, 2017 from 2-3:30 p.m. A celebration of

Larry's life will follow at 3:30 p.m. with Robert Metzger officiating. Veteran rites will be performed by the Finney-Shilling VFW Post 6919 of Culver.

Memorials may be given in memory of Larry to the Finney-Shilling VFW Post 6919 of Culver or to the American Lung Association. Condolences may be sent via the obituary page at [www.odomfuneralhome.com](http://www.odomfuneralhome.com). The Odom Funeral Home, Culver, is assisting the family.

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Wednesday January 11, 2017

### **Merle E. Isaacs**

Merle E. Isaacs, 94, Fort Myers, Fla., and formerly of Fulton, died Tuesday at home. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

### **Gene A. Seidner**

A memorial graveside service for Gene A. Seidner, who passed away on Jan. 3, 2017, will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Jan. 13, 2017, at Citizens Cemetery, Rochester. Memorial contributions may be made to the Antioch Baptist Church, Rochester. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Elmer J. ‘Don’ Douglass**

Elmer J. “Don” Douglass, 86, Kewanna, died Tuesday at Miller’s Merry Manor, Logansport. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

Thursday January 12, 2017

**Agnes E. Eckelbarger**

A memorial graveside service for Agnes E. Eckelbarger, 82, Rochester, who passed away on Dec. 29, 2016, will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 14, 2017, at Citizens Cemetery, Rochester. Friends are invited to visit with the family following the service at Tweedlee D’s, 720 Indiana 25 North, Rochester. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Earl Cannedy**

Earl Cannedy, 79, Rochester, died Wednesday at Life Care Center, Rochester. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

**Elmer J. ‘Don’ Douglass**

Elmer J. “Don” Douglass, 86, Kewanna, died Tuesday at Miller’s Merry Manor, Logansport.

Survivors include his wife, Nancy; four sons, Neil Douglass, Kewanna, Jeff Douglass, Kewanna, Scott Douglass, Coral Springs, Fla., and Craig Douglass, Twelve Mile; and a sister, Dorothy Richter, Fulton.

Funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 4-7 p.m. Friday and one hour prior to the service Saturday at the funeral home.

Friday January 13, 2017

**Earl Eugene ‘Gene’ Cannedy**

Dec. 26, 1937 - Jan. 11, 2017

Mr. Earl Eugene “Gene” Cannedy, 79, Rochester, was surrounded by his loving family when he passed away at Life Care Center of Rochester at 4:20 p.m. on Jan. 11, 2017.

Born in Carterville, Ill., on Dec. 26, 1937, Earl Eugene Cannedy was the treasured son of Lester and Nellie Cannedy. Growing up, he shared his childhood with a sister, Vicki, and two brothers, Sam and Wayne. With great pride, Gene graduated from Leiters Ford’s Aubbeenaubbee Township High School with the Class of 1955.

Gene was first married to Pauline Freel. Later their marriage dissolved. On Nov. 27, 1982, in Lansing, Ill., Gene married Donna Werkheiser. Together they shared more than 34 years of life’s adventures. Through the years, the family tree grew with the added blessings of 12 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

A professional firefighter, Gene served the city of Chicago as a member of their fire department for two decades, retiring in 1988. During the same stint, he worked for the Conrail Railroad Company, providing 44 years of dedicated service and retiring in 1999. He returned to Fulton County following retirement and was a faithful member of the Kewanna Church of Christ.

Grandpa Gene enjoyed taking his family, especially the grandchildren, on boat rides around the sparkling waters of Lake Manitou. Winter gave him and Donna the opportunity to escape to sunny Fort Myers Beach, Fla., where they enjoyed the beach, sunshine and warm gulf waters. An avid Cubs fan, Gene thoroughly loved cheering on his Cubbies to their World Series championship in 2016.

Left to cherish the memory of Gene are his wife, Donna, at home; six children, Patricia Standerski and husband Ed, Portage, Earl Cannedy Jr. and wife Pia, California, Barbara Rymarczyk and husband Tom, New Lenox, Ill, Pamela Byrd, Naples, Fla., David Cannedy, Kokomo, and Matthew Cannedy, New Lenox, Ill.; 12 grandchildren, Bryan Standerski, Tim Standerski, Jennifer Zimmerman and husband Dan, Kairos Cannedy, Kianna Cannedy, Ava Cannedy, Ehren Cannedy, Stephanie McMillan and husband Seth, Rachael Green and husband Zach, Megan Byrd, Brittney Urban, and Shawn Falstrom; two great-grandchildren, Cain Standerski and Wyatt McMillan; a sister, Vicki Cooley and husband Jerry, Knox; and a brother, Sam Cannedy and wife Marilyn, Rochester. Numerous nieces, nephews and cousins also survive. Gene was predeceased by his parents, Lester and Nellie Cannedy; and a brother, Wayne Cannedy, in December 2016.

A celebration of the life of Mr. Earl Eugene “Gene” Cannedy will be at 4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 14, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St.,

Rochester, with Pastor Aaron McCombs officiating. Friends may visit with his family from 4-7 p.m. Friday and two hours prior to his service on Saturday. Memorials in lieu of flowers may be made to the Kewanna Church of Christ, 116 S. Logan St., Kewanna, IN 46939. Friends may send online expressions of sympathy to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Elmer Jay ‘Don’ Douglass**

Jan. 26, 1930 - Jan. 10, 2017

Mr. Elmer Jay “Don” Douglass, 86, Kewanna, passed away at 5:40 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 10, 2017, at Miller’s Merry Manor, Logansport.

On Jan. 26, 1930, near Grass Creek, Elmer Jay “Don” Douglass was born. He was the treasured son of Elmer F. and Nola J. Burton Douglass. Growing up, he shared his childhood with a sister, Dorothy, and a brother, Dale.

With great Panther pride, Don graduated in 1948 from Grass Creek High School, where he was a basketball standout. Recruited by a few colleges for his basketball prowess, Don elected instead to serve his country as a member of the United States Marines during the Korean War.

At the Lucerne Christian Church on July 12, 1953, Don married the love of his life, Nancy Winn. As best friends they shared more than 63 years of life’s adventures. From their union came four handsome sons, Neil, Jeff, Scott and Craig. The family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of 11 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

With a lifelong passion for farming, Don was proud to oversee a fine herd of 20 Holsteins. He also enjoyed raising corn and beans. Don was dedicated to the road construction business with a career spanning more than three decades working for McMahan O’Connor and E& B Paving companies. He retired in 2005, having served as a superintendent during many of his work years.

A faithful member of Lucerne Christian Church for more than 60 years, Don was deacon emeritus and a trustee. He was a member of the Wayne Township Volunteer Fire Department and the Rochester Elks Lodge 2120. As a Fulton County 4-H leader, Don shared his expertise of tractors dealing with driving instruction, basic mechanics and maintenance with 4-H members.

To relax, Don enjoyed fishing with his cane pole. Many special memories were made with his family while fishing in Chetek, Wis. A sports buff, Don was an avid fan of the Purdue sports teams. Grandpa Don loved the company of his grandchildren. He looked forward to the holidays and special family celebrations

and, of course, was always present courtside or in the stands following the grandchildren's sporting events.

Left to cherish the memory of Don are his wife, Nancy; four sons, Neil Douglass and wife Angie, Kewanna, Jeff Douglass and wife Mindy, Kewanna, Scott Douglass and wife Karla, Coral Springs, Fla., and Craig Douglass and wife Cindy, Twelve Mile; 11 grandchildren, Candy Field and husband Justin, Kewanna, Camile Zimpleman and husband Greg, Fulton, Anna Holmes and husband Collin, Logansport, Josh Douglass and wife Tiffany, Brazil, Kristin Horn and husband Travis, Rochester, Christine Medina, Coconut Creek, Fla., Melissa Cole and husband Guy, Austin, Texas, Morgan Douglass and fiancé Raymond Caraballo, Orlando, Fla., Emily Douglass, Nashville, Tenn., Quentin Douglass, Twelve Mile, and Eli Douglass, Twelve Mile; 15 great-grandchildren, Coy, Carter and Caleb Field, Addison, Parker and Marshall Zimpleman, Layne and Tanner Horn, Madisyn, Drew and Lucas Douglass, Josh Diaz, Aaron and Angelo Rodrique, and Aleah Medina; a sister, Dorothy Richter and husband Harry, Fulton; and several nieces and nephews. Don was preceded in death by his parents, Elmer F. and Nola Burton Douglass; an infant great-grandson, Trey Douglass Horn; and a brother, Dale Douglass.

A celebration of the life of Elmer J. "Don" Douglass will be at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 14, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Pastor Dirk Raderstorf officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 4-7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 13, 2017, and one hour prior to the service at the funeral home on Saturday. Military rites will be conducted by the Fulton County Veterans Honor Guard and the U.S. Marine Honors Team. Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Lucerne Christian Church, 1585 West Frushour St., Lucerne, IN 46950. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Betty L. Scott**

Betty L. Scott, 88, formerly of Akron, died Thursday at Peabody Retirement Community, North Manchester. Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home.

Saturday January 14, 2017

### **John W. Hopkins**

John W. Hopkins, 70, Akron, died Thursday at home. Arrangements are pending at Earl-Love Funeral Home.

**Merle Eileen MacLain Fry Isaacs**

Oct. 21, 1922 - Jan. 10, 2017

Merle Eileen MacLain Fry Isaacs, 94, Fort Myers, Fla., and formerly of Fulton, passed away at 4:20 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 10, 2017, at her residence.

She was born on Oct. 21, 1922, in Rogersville, Tenn., the daughter of Calvin and Rosa Manes MacLain. When she was one year old, she moved with her family to Kewanna, where she was raised and attended school. She graduated from Caston High School in 1970.

On July 17, 1939, she married Donald Lee Fry in Logansport. He preceded her in death on Jan. 26, 1971. She married Rollie E. Isaacs in October 1974. He preceded her in death on July 9, 1999.

Mrs. Isaacs worked for many years at RBM/ Essex. She also worked several years at Woodland Hospital. She enjoyed reading, fishing, boating and shelling. After retirement, she moved from Logansport to Broaddus, Texas.

In 2000, she relocated to Fort Myers, Fla. She was very active in the Order of the Eastern Star for more than 67 years and belonged to Fort Myers Chapter No. 31. She had served in many offices with the group as well as Worthy Matron in Fulton twice and in Broaddus, Texas. She also served as District 18 president.

While in Indiana, she was active in the Liberty Homemakers Club and in the Fulton United Methodist Ladies Aid Society. Since there were 10 girls in the family, the girls formed their own Sisters Club, and the sisters-in-law also participated. She was very active in her church in Broaddus, Texas, and served as her Sunday school's class president.

She is survived by her daughter, Pamela (Phillip) Leever, Fort Myers, Fla.; her son, David Fry, Jamestown, Tenn.; nine grandchildren, Kathryn (James) Freel, Jack Waltz, Ken Waltz, Melody (Mark) Studebaker, Rita Waltz, Kimberly Upchurch, Jonathon Hook, Heather Smith, and Leslie Oliver; 20 great-grandchildren; several great-great-grandchildren; three sisters, Jessie Hines, Ruth Hart, and Emily Brown; one brother, Lawrence MacLain; and numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her son, Donald Lee Fry II; her daughter, Lelia Anne (Jack) Waltz; a granddaughter, Jodi Hook; a great-grandson, Sidney Waltz; six sisters, Mattie Rainey, Blanche Culver, Roxie Fry, Marilyn Zartman, Flo Conley, and Gladys Stutzman; and two brothers, Hugh and Clifford MacLain.

A memorial service will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 21, 2017, at the Fulton Baptist Temple, with Pastor Bruce Russell officiating. Friends may visit from 9-11 a.m. Saturday at the church. Burial will follow at Fulton Cemetery, where an Eastern Star service will be observed. Memorial contributions may be made to Hope Hospice, 9470 Health Park Circle, Fort Myers, FL 33908. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

**Betty Louise Yarian Bucher Shireman Scott**

Feb. 18, 1928 - Jan. 12, 2017

Betty Louise Yarian Bucher Shireman Scott, 88, formerly of Akron, passed away at 1:20 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 12, 2017, at Peabody Retirement Community, North Manchester. She was born on Feb. 18, 1928, in Howard County, to John H. and Uneta (Marshall) Yarian.

She first got married on Feb. 8, 1947, to Daniel M. Bucher. He preceded her in death on July 24, 1977. She then got married in May 1978 to Alton B. Shireman. He preceded her in death in 1990. She lastly got married on Aug. 25, 1995, to Basil A. Scott. He preceded her in death in 2006.

Betty was a farm wife and also worked at the Akron Exchange State Bank and the Fluff of Akron.

She was a graduate of Roann High School. She attended the Silver Creek Church of God and the Akron Church of God. She enjoyed working at the Akron Food Pantry and spending time with her family. She loved the farm and attending sporting events for kids, grandkids, and great-grandkids. She made three-layer birthday cakes until she was in her 80s and baked cookies. She liked to work on crossword puzzles and word searches, put together puzzles, and reading.

Survivors include her daughter, Judith and husband Kent French, Silver Lake; her sons, Jerry and wife Janice Bucher, Dowagiac, Mich., and William and wife Jacki Bucher, Silver Lake; her daughter-in-law, Karen Bucher, Columbia City; her sister, Rosella Dyson, Roann; 12 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; and 15 great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husbands; her stepson, John C. Bucher; her grandchild, Chad Bucher; and four sisters.

Her funeral service is at 11 a.m. Monday, Jan. 16, 2017, at the Akron Church of God, 301 S. West St., with her grandson, Aaron French, and Pastor Kathy Nelson officiating. Burial is in the Akron Cemetery. Visitation is 2-6 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 15, 2017, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron.



Memorial contributions may be made to Youth for Christ, 6427 Oakbrook Parkway, Fort Wayne, IN 46825. Family and friends may share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

**Kathryn L. Mounts**

Jan. 24, 1955 - Jan. 12, 2017

Kathryn L. Mounts, 61, Rochester, passed away at 8:10 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 12, 2017, at Parkview Hospital Randallia, Fort Wayne.

She was born on Jan. 24, 1955, in Rochester, the daughter of Leonard Earl and Phyllis (Smith) Barrett. On Sept. 21, 1974, in Rochester, she married Joseph D. "Joe" Mounts Sr. He preceded her in death on March 13, 2011.

She was working at Swan Lake, Plymouth, and had worked for Hickory Creek and Life Care Center nursing homes in Rochester. She had also been a motor route distributor for The Rochester Sentinel and South Bend Tribune.

In her free time, she enjoyed working on crossword puzzles and playing Yahtzee.

Survivors include her mother, Phyllis Barrett, Rochester; grandchildren Chase Bright, Rochester, Matthew Mounts, Knox, and Jazmyn Mounts, Knox; sister Sue Schaeffner and companion Brad Peltz, Rochester; companion Michael McLean, Rochester; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her son, Joseph D. Mounts Jr.; father Leonard Earl Barrett; and brothers Charles Richardson and Gary Richardson.

Funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Monday, Jan. 16, 2017, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Friends may visit one hour prior to the service Monday at the funeral home. Burial will be in the Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

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**Annie Ruth Pruett**

Jan. 11, 1931 - Jan. 15, 2017

Annie Ruth Pruett, 86, Kewanna, passed away at 1:54 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 15, 2017, at St. Elizabeth East Hospital in Lafayette.

Born Jan. 11, 1931, in Smithville, Tenn., she was the daughter of the late Charles Eli and Hattie Byrd (Green) Judkins. On Sept. 29, 1951, she married Earl "Buck" Pruett. He preceded her in death on April 26, 2014.

Annie retired from RBM in Logansport after 40 years. She also formerly worked in home health care.

Annie enjoyed gardening and spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren. She was a member of the Church of God in Rochester.

Survivors include her son, Jack Pruett, Logansport; daughter LaDonna Lachance (Christopher), Kewanna; grandchildren Scott Imler, Chrystle Lachance and Mariah Lachance; and great-granddaughter Payton Imler. Along with her parents and husband, she was also preceded in death by her sisters, Delphene Padgett and Cloe Cantrell; and her brothers, Jim Judkins, JC Judkins and Gentry Judkins.

A service will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 19, 2017, at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel, with Pastor Larry Pyeatt officiating. Visitation will be from 4-8 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 18, 2017, at the funeral home. Burial will be at Ever Rest Memorial Park in Logansport. Friends may sign the online guest book or leave a condolence for the Pruett family at [www.ransfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com).

### **Janet J. Kyes**

May 27, 1937 - Jan. 13, 2017

Janet J. Kyes, 79, Macy, passed away at 12:01 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 13, 2017, at her home.

She was born on May 27, 1937, in Milwaukee, Wis., the daughter of John L. Jr. and Anita (Henner) Makowski. Janet was a 1955 graduate of Riverside High School in Wisconsin.

She was a member of the Eagles Auxiliary, the FOP Auxiliary and the Moose Auxiliary. Janet loved the lake life, along with sewing, quilting, bowling and playing games.

Janet is survived by her children, Dawn M. (Kent) Wilson, Kokomo, Debra A. (Chris) Appelhans, Kokomo, and Robert J. (Julie) Marchese, Logansport; her brother, John L. (Audrey) Makowski, Colgate, Wis.; grandchildren Chelsea M. (Adam) VanCamp, Ciera (Adam) Vega, Leah Exmeyer (Jeromy Carroll), Kristina Appelhans (Adam Jackowiak), Natalie (Tom) Norris, and Bradley (Hayley)

Marchese; grandson-in-law Kyle Wong; great-grandchildren Hayden Vega, Piper Vega, Adrian Nottingham, Jaxton Carroll, Lilly Wong, Landon Wong, and (due anytime) Hudson Marchese; brother-in-law Richard Krueger; and several nieces and nephews. Janet was preceded in death by her parents; husband Ralph Kyes; sister Nancy Krueger; granddaughter Karie Marchese Wong; and life companion, Byron Redmon.

Funeral service for Janet will be at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 18, 2017, at Shirley & Stout Funeral Home, 1315 West Lincoln Road, Kokomo, with Pastor Ben Schlegel officiating. Burial will follow in the Sunset Memory Garden Cemetery. Friends are invited to visit with the family from 5-7 p.m. on Tuesday at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made in memory of Janet to the Megan Ott Cancer Foundation, P.O. Box 1372, Noblesville, IN 46061. Messages of condolence may be made online at [www.stoutandson.com](http://www.stoutandson.com).

### **Patricia L. Brugh**

Patricia L. Brugh, 69, Michigan City, and formerly of Argos, died Sunday at Franciscan St. Anthony Health Hospital, Michigan City.

Survivors include her son, Clinton McGregor, Plymouth; her daughter, Rebecca Brugh; her brother, Carl Lowry, Argos; and her sisters, Mary McGriff, Argos, and Jody Friend, Michigan City.

Funeral service is 2 p.m. Wednesday at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home. Visitation is noon to the time of the service Wednesday at the funeral home.

### **Van Kelly**

Van Kelly, 89, Rochester, died Sunday at Signature Healthcare of Port Charlotte, Fla. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

### **Cathy Lowe**

Cathy Lowe, 69, Rochester, died Sunday at Hickory Creek, Rochester. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

### **John W.J. Hopkins**

John W.J. Hopkins, 70, Akron, died Thursday at home. Survivors include two daughters, Elly Smith, Akron, and Anne Cabrera, South Central, Ky.; one son, Matthew Hopkins; and one brother, Richard E. Hopkins, Springfield, Ill.

No service or visitation is scheduled at this time. Arrangements are handled by Earl-Love Funeral Home.

**Terry L. Shumaker**

Terry L. Shumaker, 72, Fort Wayne, died Saturday at home.

Survivors include his wife, Carolyn; two daughters, Melissa Shumaker, Fort Wayne, and Renee Sills, Larwill; and one son, Jeffrey Shumaker, Warsaw.

Funeral service is 11 a.m. Saturday at the Silver Creek Church of God, Silver Lake. Visitation is 10 a.m. to the time of the service Saturday at the church. Arrangements are handled by Earl-Love Funeral Home.

**Johnnie L. Shaw**

Johnnie L. Shaw, 50, Rochester, died Monday at home.

Survivors include his wife, Jennifer S. Shaw, Rochester; his brother, Garner Wireman Jr., Lapel; and his sister, Darlene Chambers, Lafayette.

Funeral service is noon Thursday at ParkSide Community Church, 225 S. Michigan St., Argos. Visitation is 9 a.m. to the time of the service Thursday at the church. Arrangements are handled by Earl-Grossman Funeral Home.

Wednesday January 18, 2017

**David M. Pursifull**

David M. Pursifull, 75, rural Rochester, died Tuesday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester. Arrangements are pending at King Memorial Home.

**Cathy Lowe**

Cathy Lowe, 69, Rochester, died Sunday at Hickory Creek at Rochester. Survivors include her daughter, Dana Lowe; and her son, Buddy Lowe.

Memorial service is 2 p.m. Saturday at the Fulton County Fairgrounds Community Building. Arrangements are handled by Good Family Funeral Home.

**Deborah L. Lebo**

Deborah L. Lebo, 58, Rochester, died Tuesday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Survivors include her husband, Denny Lebo; her daughter, Allie Lebo, Rochester; her son, Corey Lebo, Rochester; and her brother, Greg Romine, Greenwood.

Funeral service is noon-4 p.m. Saturday at Good Family Funeral Home.

**Johnnie Lee Shaw**

June 21, 1966 - Jan. 16, 2017

Johnnie Lee Shaw, 50, Rochester, died at 6:30 a.m. Jan. 16, 2017, at his residence, where he had been in declining health the past couple of months.

He was born on June 21, 1966, in Rensselaer to Delos J. Shaw and Donna C. (Brown) Shaw. He had lived in the Rochester community for the past 19 years, having lived in Arizona before that. On June 24, 1989, in Rensselaer, he married Jennifer S. (Arnett) Shaw. Together they shared the past 27 years.

He was an executive assistant manager at Walgreens at Rochester, Rensselaer, and other locations.

John was a member of the ParkSide Community Church, Argos. He was an avid football fan rooting for the Washington Redskins and the Detroit Lions, along with the Georgia Bulldogs and Georgia Tech Yellow Jackets.

John loved “Star Wars” and contemporary Christian music.

John was survived by his wife, Jenny S. Shaw, Rochester; his feline friend, Baxter; his stepfather, Garner Wireman, Rensselaer; his brother, Garner Wireman Jr. and wife Danielle, Lapel; his sister, Darlene Chambers and husband Ron, Lafayette; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and his brother, James Shaw.

Friends may visit with the family from 9 a.m.-noon Thursday, Jan. 19, 2017, at the ParkSide Community Church, 225 S. Michigan St., Argos. A funeral service will be at noon Thursday, Jan. 19, 2017, at the church with the Rev. Brian Trump officiating. Burial will follow at the Sand Hill Cemetery, Rochester. Memorial contributions may be made to ParkSide Community Church, 225 S. Michigan St., Argos, or the Fulton County Animal Adoption and Education Center, 1540 Wentzel St., Rochester, IN 46975.

**Vivian M. VanDerWeele**

Vivian M. VanDerWeele, 98, Plymouth, and formerly of Argos, died Monday at Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth.

Survivors include her daughters, Jean Stauffer, Argos, and Janis Wagner, Eugene, Ore.; and her son, Jon D. VanDerWeele, Argos.

A funeral service will be at a later date. Arrangements are handled by Earl-Grossman Funeral Home.

Thursday January 19, 2017

**Jacquelynn Belman Wiersema**

Dec. 6, 1955 - Jan. 16, 2017

Jacquelynn Belman Wiersema, 61, Rochester, formerly of Silvis, Ill., passed away Jan. 16, 2017, at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

A funeral mass will be 10 a.m. Saturday at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church in Silvis, Ill. Visitation will be 4-7 p.m. Friday with a rosary at 4 p.m. at Schroder Mortuary in Silvis, Ill. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Jacqui was born Dec. 6, 1955, in Moline, Ill., the first child of Jess H. and Cleo O. Hernandez Belman. She married Dennis Wiersema on Dec. 30, 1977, in East Moline, Ill. Jacqui moved to Rochester in 2003.

She worked and retired from Sears Distribution Parts Center with more than 15 years of service. She was a member of the Blacktop Cruisers car club in Rochester and enjoyed hiking and traveling. She loved her dogs and was an avid Chicago Cubs fan.

Survivors include her companion of 22 years, Arnold E. (Sonny) Powell Jr; stepchildren Dawn Wiersema and Donnie Wiersema; siblings Denise Shearer, Christopher Belman, Mark (Linda) Belman, Robert (Julie) Belman, Loretta (Paul) Blieu and Eric (Laurie) Belman; nieces and nephews Thomas Shearer, Zachary Belman, Brett Hart, Michael Belman, Sarah Belman, Jessica (Matt) Shannon, Jaime Kelley, Jillian Belman, Sophie Belman, Jennifer Blieu and Catherine Blieu; and a great-niece, Kayleigh. Jacqui was preceded in death by her parents.

Local arrangements are handled by Good Family Funeral Home. Online condolences may be sent to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com) or [www.schrodermortuary.com](http://www.schrodermortuary.com).

**David M. Pursifull**

Feb. 12, 1941 - Jan. 17, 2017

David M. Pursifull, 75, rural Rochester, passed away at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 17, 2017, at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

He was born on Feb. 12, 1941, in Huntington County, to Cedric and Velta (Redman) Pursifull. On April 30, 1983, in Tallmadge, Mich., he married Wilma N. Bosscher. She survives.

David was a farmer and in agricultural sales, selling feed and breeding stock.

He was a graduate of Rockcreek High School of Wells County. He attended Riverview Community Church of Tippecanoe. He had a love for 4-H and enjoyed helping his kids and his grandkids with their 4-H exhibits through the years. He liked watching sports and traveling, especially to Florida.

Survivors include his wife, Wilma Pursifull, Rochester; his daughters, Teresa and husband Brian Bothast, Montpelier, Patricia "Patti" and husband Jassen Dugan, Rochester, and Robin and husband Rob Nash, Ionia, Mich.; his sons, Jerry and wife Louann Pursifull, Wabash, Mike and wife Jennifer Pursifull, Keystone, Brian Pursifull, Argos, Steve and wife Debbie Stevens, Norton Shores, Mich., and Gary and wife Julie Stevens, Casnovia, Mich.; 21 grandchildren, Jacob, Cheyenne, Andrew, Emily, Nick, Brett, Whitney Bree, Madison, Macen, Shelbi, Shannon, Branden, Craig, Philip, Emily, Megan, Kristen, Erin, Justin, Jessica, and Caralyn; eight great-grandchildren; his sisters, Betty and husband Fred Keller, Vero Beach, Fla, and Marlene "Sally" and husband Don Eschenbacher, Yoder; and his brother, Ted and wife Cathy Pursifull, Weiser, Idaho. He was preceded in death by his parents; his brothers, Bill and Gary; and an infant sister, Wanda.

His funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 21, 2017, at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone, with Pastor Rod Ruberg officiating. Burial will be at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Visitation is 3-7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 20, 2017, the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to Riverview Community Church, 3780 Indiana 110, Tippecanoe, IN 46570. Family and friends may share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Deborah L. 'Deb' Lebo**

Oct. 13, 1958 - Jan. 17, 2017

Deborah L. "Deb" Lebo, 58, Rochester, was surrounded by her loving family when she passed away at 1:20 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 17, 2017, at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester. This followed a valiant battle with cancer.

On Oct. 13, 1958, Deborah Romine was born in Muncie. She was the treasured daughter of Robert and Shirley Mills Romine. Growing up, she shared her childhood with her brother, Greg. With great pride, she graduated from Lawrence Central High School with her class in 1977.

Employed by Walmart, Deb served as their personnel manager for a number of years. An avid reader, mysteries were her favorite genre, especially those authored by Mary Higgins Clark. To relax, she loved cheering for the Indianapolis Colts and the Notre Dame football team.

Left to cherish the memory of Deb are a daughter, Allie Lebo, Rochester; a son, Corey Lebo and wife Kari, Rochester; lifelong companion and father of her children, Denny Lebo, Rochester; brother Greg Romine and wife Angela, Greenwood; sister-in-law Terri Romine, Beech Grove; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

A celebration of the life of Deb Lebo will be from noon-4 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 21, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Memorials may be made to the Fulton County Cancer Fund through the Northern Indiana Community Foundation, 715 Main St., Rochester, IN 46975, or the Fulton County Relay For Life. Envelopes are available at the funeral home. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Cathy Lowe**

Dec. 16, 1947 - Jan. 15, 2017

Cathy Lowe, 69, Rochester, died Sunday, Jan. 15, 2017, at Hickory Creek, Rochester. Cathy was born on Dec. 16, 1947, to Robert “Bob-Spud” Tharp and Deloris “Dee-Mammaw” Tharp. A lifetime resident of Fulton County, she was a true cowgirl in her day and a proud farmer’s daughter.

Cathy was passionate about the family’s livestock business and horses, and she loved rodeos. Also known as “Mammaw Cat,” Cathy dearly loved her family, enjoyed taking pictures, and did not want to miss a precious moment of life or a colt being started in the barnyard.

Cathy is survived by a daughter, Dani Lowe; a son, Buddy (Angie) Lowe; seven grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

A celebration of Cat’s life will be 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 21, 2017, at the Fulton County Fairgrounds Community Building. The celebration will be followed by food and fellowship with friends. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Fulton County 4-H Fair Association for fairground and rodeo projects at P.O. Box 856, Rochester, IN 46975, or to the funeral home to assist with expenses.

The staff of the Good Family Funeral Home is caring for the family and handling arrangements. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to Cathy’s family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Friday January 20, 2017

**Merle E. Isaacs**



A service in memory of Merle E. Isaacs, 94, Fort Myers, Fla., and formerly of Fulton, who passed away on Jan. 10, 2017, will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 21, 2017, at the Fulton Baptist Temple.

Friends may visit from 9 a.m. to the time of the service Saturday at the church. Burial will follow at the Fulton Cemetery. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

Saturday January 21, 2017

### **Donald W. Grimes**

Feb. 4, 1922 – Jan. 19, 2017

Donald W. Grimes, 94, Blair Ridge Health Campus, Peru, passed away on Thursday, Jan. 19, 2017, at Dukes Memorial Hospital, Peru. Don was born on Feb. 4, 1922, on a farm one mile north of New Waverly in Cass County. His parents were Warren W. and Mable C. Shafer Grimes.

At 17, he graduated from New Waverly High School, where his favorite subjects were history and spelling. He remained on the farm and worked for several companies. His final job before enlisting in the service was as a timekeeper for construction workers at the new naval base at Bunker Hill in 1942. In September 1942, Don enlisted in the United States Coast Guard and served our country until September 1945. After being in the service, he worked at Square D for 37 1/2 years. He was a die setter and also made special units.

On Sept. 22, 1945, at the home of the Rev. Tom Shively, he married Jean Ellen Garber, and they enjoyed 66 years of marriage. They had no children, but shared their lives with nieces and nephews.

He and his wife always looked forward to spring, because they were great mushroom hunters. Don had a love of pets, especially cats and dogs. He was quite the handyman and able to repair most everything until his later years. He liked watching stock car racing and attending antique tractor and car shows.

He was a member of the First Christian Church of Peru, a 50-year member of the Masonic Lodge and an American Legion member.

Don was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Jean Ellen Grimes; one sister, Marjorie Hollarman; and two brothers-in-law, George Hollarman and Jack Roland. He is survived by his sister-in-law, Janet Roland, Noblesville; nieces and nephews; and special friends, Mark and Joyce Sroufe, Rochester.

Visitation for Donald W. Grimes will be at the Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third Street, Peru, from 1-3 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 23, 2017. His funeral service will follow at 3 p.m., with the Rev. Jim Loft officiating. Private interment will be at the Mexico Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to the Miami County Humane Society.

### **David A. Tomich**

David A. Tomich, 60, Bremen, died Thursday at St. Joseph Hospital, Mishawaka. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

### **Van Kelly Jr.**

Dec. 30, 1927 – Jan. 15, 2017

Van Kelly Jr., 89, Rochester, passed away at 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 15, 2017, at Signature Healthcare, Port Charlotte, Fla.

He was born Dec. 30, 1927, in Camargo, Ky., the son of Van Sr. and Helen (Arthur) Kelly. He spent his childhood working on the family farm in Mount Sterling, Ky. On Dec. 21, 1946, at the First Presbyterian Church in Rochester, he married Helen J. Nickell. She preceded him in death on Oct. 7, 2008.

After settling in Rochester, he spent 20 years distributing beer and freight for his boss and dear friend, Ben Daulton, at the Rochester City Dray. He then worked for 19 years for Camcar/Textron, retiring in 1990.

Van worked hard and played hard. An avid outdoorsman, Van loved to hunt and fish, whether it was moose in Canada, morels in Michigan, small game in Fulton County or sunshine in Florida. A dedicated fisherman, he spent the better part of his retirement years fishing Lake Manitou, surrounding lakes and farm ponds. He loved sharing the “catch” with family and friends, hosting countless fish fries in his backyard.

Van was an active member in the community, having been a member of the Rochester Lions Club, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post, Elks Lodge, American Legion, Eagles Lodge and the Moose Lodge. He had attended the First Christian Church and had coached Little League baseball for many years, having helped create the Little League fields in the mid-1950s. A huge sports fan, Van enjoyed following all sports, but especially enjoyed following his grandchildren and great-grandchildren in all of their sporting events. His family provided his biggest joy in life.

Survivors include his daughter, Barbara Buckingham, Lake Suzy, Fla.; son Brad and wife Brenda Kelly, Rochester; grandchildren Megan (Buckingham) and

husband Luke Hill, Beaverton, Ore., Ben and wife Sarah Daulton, Rochester, and Gracie (Kelly) and husband Christopher Prater, Warsaw; great-grandchildren Wilson Daulton, Jessica Daulton and Michael Daulton, all of Rochester, McKenzie Baker, Florida, and Landon and Sadie Hill, both of Beaverton, Ore.; several nieces and nephews; and many special friends he had made over the years. He was preceded in death by his parents; granddaughter Amy Helen Daulton; brothers J.P. Kelly, Richard "Dick" Kelly, Cecil Kelly, Thomas "Tommy" Kelly, Henry Kelly, and Morton "Doc" Kelly; and sister Margaret Snyder.

A memorial service will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 28, 2017, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with the Rev. Mike Van Heyningen officiating. Friends may visit from 4-8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 27, 2017, and one hour prior to the service Saturday at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to the Phil Daulton Memorial Youth Fund. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

Monday January 23, 2017

### **Roberta Heath**

June 6, 1937 - Jan. 21, 2017

Roberta "Bobbi Bear" Heath, 79, Winamac, and formerly of Rochester, passed away at 1 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 21, 2017, at Hickory Creek of Winamac.

She was born on June 6, 1937, in Chicago, Ill., the daughter of Raymond Robert and Emma (Wyant) Hannaway. On June 29, 1977, at Grand River Reservation in Canada, she married Basil F. "Chief White Eagle" Heath. He preceded her in death on Jan. 24, 2011.

Roberta had worked as a sales manager in a department store in Chicago, Ill., for many years. She enjoyed crafts, doll making, bead work and ceramics.

Survivors include her son, Kenneth Lone Eagle and wife Linda, Knox; grandchildren, Kenny Mathew Eagle and wife Clare, Walkerton, Randy Tolson, Knox, Jonathan Tolson, Winamac, Kimberly Moffat Campbell, Louisville, Ky.; great-grandchild Rebecca Campbell, Louisville, Ky.; brother Gerald Houck, Westminster, Colo.; sister Ethel Chambers, Thousand Oaks, Calif. She was preceded in death by her parents and son.

No services are scheduled at this time. Arrangements are by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

**William J. Kingery**

William J. Kingery, 76, Fulton, died Saturday at Life Care Center of Rochester.

Survivors include his wife, Patricia Kingery, Fulton; children Bonnie Kingery, Logansport, Kenny Kingery, Fletcher's Lake, Jeff Kingery, Rochester, Julie Miller, Russiaville, Alan Kingery, Kewanna; and brother John Kingery, Las Vegas, Nev.

No services are scheduled at this time. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

Tuesday January 24, 2017

**Colleen B. Haussmann**

Colleen B. Haussmann, 87, Rochester, died Monday at Peabody Retirement Community Health Center, North Manchester. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

Wednesday January 25, 2017

**Michael Z. Shorter**

Michael Z. Shorter, 26, Star City, died Sunday at Memorial Hospital of South Bend. Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home.

**Colleen B. Haussmann**

April 13, 1929 - Jan. 23, 2017

Colleen B. Haussmann, 87, Rochester, and formerly of Aurora, Ill., passed away at 12:50 p.m. Monday, Jan. 23, 2017, at Peabody Retirement Community Health Center, North Manchester.

She was born on April 13, 1929, in Aurora, Ill., the daughter of William and Ella (Bowers) Rockabrand. On Nov. 27, 1948, in Aurora, Ill., she married Charles L. Haussmann. He preceded her in death on Sept. 4, 2000.

Mrs. Haussmann had worked at Sunnymere Senior Community Living in Aurora, Ill., for many years, working as a nurse aid and as director of activities. She had been a member of the former First United Methodist Church and the Westminster Presbyterian Church, both of Aurora, Ill. She was a member of the

Aurora Women's Club and founded the Parent Teacher Association at Hall Grade School in Aurora, Ill., serving as president for many years.

Early in life, she was part of the newborn program in Aurora, Ill., where she was a foster parent to more than 40 children. In her spare time, she loved to sew, knit and paint.

Survivors include her children, Cynthia and husband Daniel Raymond, Aurora, Ill., Curtis and wife Christine Haussmann, Rochester, Charles A. Haussmann, Aurora, Ill., and Caryllyn Haussmann, Opa-Locka, Fla.; grandchildren Matthew and wife Cristina Haussmann, Rochester, Jonathan Haussmann, Rochester, Ashley and husband Toby Brown, Poplar Grove, Ill., Megan McMahon, Del City, Okla., Katie and husband Mike Lekki, Lapeer, Mich., and Charlie McMahon, Aurora, Ill.; great-grandchildren Abby, Chloe and Matty Haussmann, all of Rochester, Nolan and Evalee Haussmann, both of Rochester, Sawyer, Krayden, Maddox and Raleigh Brown, Poplar Grove, Ill., and Jacob Lekki, Lapeer, Mich.; and sister Jo Ann and husband Ray Kunkel, Boynton Beach, Fla. She was preceded in death by her parents and sister Evelyn McQuiggin.

A memorial service will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 26, 2017, at Wynnfield Crossing, Rochester. Interment will be in Lincoln Memorial Park, Aurora, Ill. Memorial contributions may be made to the Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of America. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

Thursday January 26, 2017

### **Michael Z. 'Bubba' Shorter**

Feb. 5, 1990 - Jan. 22, 2017

Michael Z. "Bubba" Shorter, 26, Star City, passed away at 9:33 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 22, 2017, at Memorial Hospital of South Bend, from injuries sustained in a motorcycle accident.

Born on Feb. 5, 1990, in Bremen, he was the son of Gregory J. and Tracey L. (Hughes) Shorter. On March 3, 2012, he married Brandi A. Briney.

Bubba was a 2009 Winamac High School graduate. He worked as a process operator at Tate & Lyle in Lafayette.

Bubba was a proud Star City volunteer fireman. He was an avid hunter and enjoyed riding his motorcycle. Michael was a devoted husband, a loving son, an incredible friend and a firefighter in every sense of the word. Not only did he save

his wife and unborn son, his selfless gift of donating his organs will benefit many people in Indiana, and he will live on in so many ways.

Survivors include his wife, Brandi A. Shorter and unborn son, Star City; parents Greg and Tracey Shorter, Winamac; siblings Christi Hoffa (Tim), Winamac, Ashley Stemm (Rickey), Nappanee, Emily Campbell, Winamac, and Jamie Shorter, Winamac; father- and mother-in-law Dave and Celinda Briney, Winamac; sister- and brother-in-law Amanda and Beau Johnson, Star City; and nieces and nephews Talyn Schmucker, Madison Hoffa, Isabelle Schmucker, Kaden Stemm, Ethan Hoffa, Damion Stemm, Ellie Campbell and Parker Campbell. He is also survived by his maternal grandmother, Janice Burger, Goshen; maternal grandfather, Keith Soales, Las Vegas; and paternal grandparents, James and Betty Shorter, Winamac.

A celebration of life service will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 28, 2017, at the Winamac Church of the Nazarene, 516 E. 13th St., with Pastor Glen Meyers and Pastor Barry Faucett officiating. Visitation will be from 2-9 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 27, 2017, at the church, where there will also be an Indiana volunteer firefighters' memorial service at 7 p.m. Friday. Burial will be at Pleasant Hill Cemetery at Bruce Lake.

The Michael Shorter Memorial Fund has been established at Alliance Bank in Winamac for future support of Michael and Brandi's unborn son. Memorial contributions can also be made to the Star City Fire Department in memory of Bubba. Friends may sign the online guest book or leave a condolence for the Shorter family at [www.ransfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com). Arrangements have been entrusted to Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Royal Center Chapel.

Friday January 27, 2017

### **Clarence D. Brown**

June 13, 1925 - Jan. 24, 2017

Clarence D. Brown, 91, Rochester, passed away at 2:45 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 24, 2017, at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Mishawaka.

Born June 13, 1925, in Royal Center, he was the son of the late Wade D. and Laura Floetta Cox Brown. Clarence was a 1943 graduate of Buffalo High School. In 1945, he enlisted in the United States Army where he served as a Morse code operator during World War II. In 1952, he was honorably discharged from the United States Air Force with the ranking of airman first class.

Clarence was retired, having worked as a driver for R.R. Walker Inc. and Studebaker, both in South Bend, and Exide Battery in Logansport, where he earned a 25-year safe driving medal.

As a private pilot, Clarence enjoyed flying. He worked at Logansport Flying Service on weekends during his flying years.

Clarence was a member of the American Legion Post 60 in Logansport and the Teamsters. He loved fishing for bluegills and was an avid traveler.

He is survived by his wife, Theo Crane Brown, Tulsa, Okla.; one daughter, Kimberly Brown Lemler and her husband Terry, Bourbon; one son, Gary D. Brown, Colorado Springs, Colo.; grandchildren Julie Dobbins and her husband Jeramie, San Diego, Calif., Michael Brown and his wife Tina, Kansas City, Jordan Breeden and his wife Betsy, Bourbon, and Cameron Lemler, Bourbon. There are also eight great-grandchildren, Kayla Marie (Brown) Riley, Andrew Patrick Shepherd, Kristin Nicole Brown, Katelynn Michael Brown, Danielle Lauren Brown, Greyson Ross Dobbins, Landon Edward Dobbins and Nolan Morris Breeden; one great-greatgrandchild, Declan; and two half-sisters, Ardella Geiger and Gail Ruby Sumpter.

There will be a private family service. There will be no visitation. Burial will be in Royal Center Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made in Clarence's memory to the American Heart Association. Arrangements have been entrusted to Fisher Funeral Chapel. Family and friends may share condolences in his guest book at [www.fisherfuneralchapel.com](http://www.fisherfuneralchapel.com).

Saturday January 28, 2017

No Obituaries

Monday January 30, 2017

### **Billy D. McMillen**

Billy D. McMillen, 76, Rochester, died Saturday at St. Vincent Heart Center of Indiana, Indianapolis. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

### **Hazel Jean Starrett**

Feb. 8, 1920 - Jan. 28, 2017

Hazel Jean Starrett, 96, Rochester, passed away at 3:50 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 28, 2017, at Life Care Center of Rochester.

She was born on Feb. 8, 1920, in Albion, the daughter of Francis and Alfreda (LeRoy) Middleton. On Nov. 19, 1939, in Lakeville, she married Herbert A. Starrett. He preceded her in death on July 7, 2003.

Mrs. Starrett was retired after working many years in manufacturing. She was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. She enjoyed baking and sewing.

Survivors include her daughter, Joyce E. Bieghler, Rochester; grandchildren Rex Growcock, Wolcottville, Roger and wife Wendy Growcock, Monroe, N.C., Jerry Starrett, Lafayette, Tenn., and Rhonda Joyner, White House, Tenn.; and great-grandchildren Hayley Growcock, Monroe, N.C., Noah Joyner, White House, Tenn., and Skye Growcock, Wolcottville. She was preceded in death by her parents; son Robert H. Starrett; brothers Willis, Clinton, George, Harley, Raymond and Art Middleton; and sister Mildred Smith.

No service is scheduled. Burial will be at a later date in Teeters Cemetery, Fremont. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Bonnie S. Wagoner**

Bonnie S. Wagoner, 78, Akron, died Friday at Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw.

Survivors include her husband, Jim Wagoner, Akron; her sons, Gary Wagoner, Warsaw, and Larry Wagoner, Akron; and her sisters, Nancy Schultz, Pierceton, and Betty Calvert, Rochester.

Visitation is 5-7 p.m. Wednesday at the Akron Church of God, 301 S. West St. Arrangements are handled by Hartzler Funeral Home.

Tuesday January 31, 2017

No Obituaries

Wednesday February 1, 2017

### **Billy D. 'Mac' McMillen**

Jan. 2, 1941 - Jan. 28, 2017



Billy D. "Mac" McMillen, 76, Rochester, passed away at 7:45 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 28, 2017, at St. Vincent Heart Center of Indiana, Indianapolis. He was born on Jan. 2, 1941, in Rochester, the son of Gerald D. and Florence E. (Gruwell) McMillen.

A 1959 graduate of Rochester High School, he was class president for two years, a varsity basketball letterman and active in the Future Farmers of America. He received his bachelor's and master's degrees from Indiana University. On July 2, 1966, at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Rochester, he married Patricia J. McLochlin. She survives.

Mr. McMillen had been an educator at Steger, Ill., Triton Schools in Bourbon, and North Miami Schools, Denver. He retired as school counselor for Rochester Community Schools after 15 years. At the conclusion of his workdays at school, he spent many years working on his family farm. He had been a member of the Moose Lodge and Elks Lodge and attended St. Joseph Catholic Church.

In his leisure time, he played a mean drum version of "Hound Dog" by Elvis Presley, and enjoyed genealogy, golf, fishing, camping, following the Chicago Cubs and Indiana University basketball, and spending time with family.

Survivors include his wife, Patricia J. McMillen, Rochester; children Colleen Wood, Carmel, Brad McMillen, Rochester, and Sheila and husband Too Keller, Carmel; grandchildren Alyssa Wood, student at Indiana University Bloomington, Grant Wood, student at Purdue University, West Lafayette, Gabbi Pinegar, Carmel, and Luke, Lauren and Karli Keller, all of Carmel; brother Gary McMillen, Evart, Michigan; several nieces, nephews and cousins; and his beloved canine companion, Lucy, his goldendoodle. He was preceded in death by his parents.

His funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Friday, Feb. 3, 2017, at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Rochester, with Father Michael McKinney officiating. Friends may call from 3-7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 2, 2017, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Burial will be in the Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester. Memorial contributions may be made to the Fulton County Animal Adoption and Education Center, the Future Farmers of America, or to the donor's choice of charity. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Ellen L. Eaker**

Ellen L. Eaker, 71, Galveston, died Monday at home.

Survivors include her husband, Earnest G. Eaker, Galveston; daughter, Pamela G. Clouthier, Galveston; and two sisters, Gail Thieke, Kokomo, and Nancy Payne, Kokomo.

Funeral service is 11 a.m. Saturday at Eilers Mortuary, 725 W. Main St., Kokomo. Visitation is from 9:30 a.m. until the time of the service Saturday at Eilers Mortuary. Arrangements are handled by McClain Funeral Home.

### **Norma Jane Baker**

June 18, 1935 - Jan. 28, 2017

Norma Jane Baker, 81, Elkhart, passed away on Saturday, Jan. 28, 2017, at Elkhart General Hospital.

Norma was born on June 18, 1935, in Young America, to the late Harland and Lottie (Burrous) Bowyer. Norma married Paul E. Baker on Feb. 27, 1954, in Rochester.

She is survived by her loving husband of 62 years, Paul; son Jeff (Theresa) Baker, Elkhart; daughters Lisa (Rick) McAllister and Debbie (Ron) Desimone, both of Elkhart; 10 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren. Also surviving are one brother and two sisters. Norma was preceded in death by her parents; daughter Brenda Pontius; grandson Jacob Wright; and four brothers, Sherman, Bud, Bryon and David Bowyer.

Norma was a loving homemaker and wife. She was an avid seamstress and loved sewing, crocheting and making quilts. Norma also enjoyed painting and at one time painted her entire house. Norma actively attended all of her kids' and grandkids' events. Norma volunteered much of her time to the EMHS (Elkhart Memorial High School) booster club when her children were in school. She loved listening to Johnny Cash and was a huge Purdue fan.

There will be a service celebrating Norma's life at 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 4, 2017, with visitation two hours prior, at Billings Funeral Home, 812 Baldwin St., Elkhart. Pastor Robert Meckley will officiate. Burial and a graveside service will follow at 3 p.m. at Athens Cemetery. Billings Funeral Home is honored to assist Norma's family with arrangements. To share a condolence with the family, visit [www.billingsfuneralhome.com](http://www.billingsfuneralhome.com).

### **Harold O. Hile**

Harold O. Hile, 82, Mentone, died Tuesday at home.

Survivors include his wife, Bonnie Hile, Mentone; his daughter, Tami Keaffaber, Macy; and his son, Kris Hile, Mentone.

No service will occur. Arrangements are handled by King Memorial Home.

**Jeanette J. Iseton**

Jeanette J. Iseton, 90, Silver Lake, died Tuesday at Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw.

Survivors include her daughters, Shirley Adams, Warsaw, and Connie Wenger, Warsaw; her sons, Edmund Iseton, Silver Lake, and Bobby Iseton, Silver Lake; and two sisters, Shirley Holocker and Dorothy Wilkerson, Streator, Ill.

Funeral service is noon Thursday at Hartzler Funeral Home. Visitation is from 10 a.m. until the time of the service Thursday at the funeral home.

Thursday February 2, 2017

No Obituaries

Friday February 3, 2017

No Obituaries

Saturday February 4, 2017

**Roger Rouch**

Roger Rouch, 70, Kewanna, died Friday at home.

His memorial service is 6 p.m. Tuesday at Fulton Baptist Temple. Visitation is 4:30-6 p.m. Tuesday at the church. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

Monday February 6, 2017

**Carol Lahman**

Carol Lahman, 77, Rochester, died Saturday in Indianapolis. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

**Clyde Reed**

Clyde Reed, 76, Akron, died Sunday at Peabody Retirement Community of North Manchester. Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

**Roger R. Rouch**

Jan. 2, 1947 – Feb. 3, 2017

Roger R. Rouch, 70, Kewanna, passed away at 1:41 a.m. Friday, Feb. 3, 2017, at his residence.

He was born on Jan. 2, 1947, in Rochester, the son of Wilbert and Betty (Brusher) Rouch. On Jan. 15, 1971, in Rochester, he married Selena Kay Mutchler and she survives.

Mr. Rouch had worked for the former McMahan-O'Connor Construction and retired from E & B Paving as a foreman after working 40 years in the road construction industry. He was a member of the Fulton Baptist Temple, Fulton, and enjoyed fishing, hunting, snow skiing, boating and gardening.

Survivors include his wife, Selena Rouch, Kewanna; children, Heather (Rouch) Green, Fulton, Ryan Rouch, Fulton, and Hayley Rouch, Fulton; grandchildren, Joshua Green, Fulton, Jacob Green, Fulton, Allie Rouch, Fulton, Kori Rouch, Kewanna, Ryli Rouch, Kewanna, River Rouch, Fulton, Alexa Rouch, Fulton, and Danie Rouch, Fulton. He was preceded in death by his parents and sister, Gloria Andrews.

A service in memory of Roger Rouch is 6 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 7, 2017, at the Fulton Baptist Temple, Fulton, with Pastor Bruce Russell officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 4:30-6 p.m. Tuesday at the church. Memorial contributions may be made to the Fulton Baptist Temple. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanmbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanmbrosfh.com).

**Frank J. Vojtasek**

Frank J. Vojtasek Sr., 90, died Saturday at Visiting Nurse and Hospice Home, Fort Wayne.

Survivors include his wife Therese; daughters, Dianne Wood, Anderson, and Terri Bowers, Rochester; sons, Nicholas Vojtasek, Logansport, Michael Vojtasek and Frank Vojtasek Jr., Rochester; and brother, Bill Vojtasek, Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Funeral service is 11 a.m. Thursday at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 1310 Main St., Rochester. Visitation is 3-7 p.m. Wednesday and 10-10:40 a.m. Thursday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St.

Tuesday February 7, 2017

**Frank Joseph Vojtasek Sr.**

May 12, 1926 – Feb. 4, 2017

Frank Joseph Vojtasek Sr., 90, passed away Saturday, Feb. 4, 2017.

Frank was born May 12, 1926, in Glenn Flora, Wis. He was the son of Joseph and Katherine (Novak) Vojtasek. During his childhood, the family moved to Ladysmith, Wis. On Sept. 9, 1948, Frank married Theresa Charais at Our Lady of Sorrows in Ladysmith.

In 1952, he and his family moved to Milwaukee, Wis., and Frank worked for Safway Steel Products. In 1956, he was transferred to Rochester to manage a manufacturing plant for Safway Steel, which he did until retirement on Feb. 1, 1990.

Frank was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Rochester, where he was past president and member of the parish council. He served multiple roles at the church including ushering for many years. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus for more than 60 years and had served as treasurer. Frank was also a member of the Rochester City Council for four years and was president and member of the Fulton County Plan Commission. He also was a past officer for Rochester Little League baseball.

Frank enjoyed spending time with his family and attending his children's and grandchildren's numerous events. He had an extremely strong work ethic, which he instilled in his children and grandchildren. After retirement he often laid brick with his good friend John Figlio. Frank learned building construction from his father and helped to build his own home and the homes of several of his children. On Saturday mornings, Frank was a regular visitor at the Rochester Sale Barn. He also raised cows and gardened for many years. In his younger days, he was an avid bowler, spent time deer hunting with his sons, and umpired for Rochester Little League numerous years.

Frank is survived by his loving wife, Theresa, of 68 years; five children, Nicholas Vojtasek, Logansport, Michael (Niki) Vojtasek, Rochester, Dianne (Louis) Wood, Anderson, Frank (Karen) Vojtasek Jr., Rochester, and Terri (Joe) Bowers, Rochester; 11 grandchildren, Courtney Vojtasek, Alexandria, Va., Blake (Sarah) Vojtasek, Indianapolis, Aimee (Stuart) Prawatt, Indianapolis, Melinda Demos, Loveland, Ohio, Ted (Felisa) Demos, McCordsville, Olivia Vojtasek, Wallingford, Conn., Ethan Vojtasek, Rochester, Nick (fiancé Laura) Bowers,

Indianapolis, Amy Bowers, Rochester, Mitchell (Brita) Bowers, Plymouth, and Marc (Heather) Bowers, Mendon, Mich.; and seven great-grandchildren, Georgia Vojtasek, Lillian, Chloe, and Natalie Prawatt, Jaxsen Demos, Cole Demos and Titus Bowers. His brother Bill Vojtasek, Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and several nieces and nephews also survive him. He was preceded in death by his parents and five siblings, Emily Kesan, Joe Vojtasek, Kate King, Mary Moser and Ed Vojtasek.

A Mass of Christian Burial is 11 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 9, 2017, at the St. Joseph Catholic Church, 1310 Main St., Rochester. Father Michael McKinney will officiate. Frank's family will receive friends from 3-7 p.m. Wednesday and from 10-10:40 a.m. Thursday at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Memorials in lieu of flowers may be made to Rochester Youth Baseball League, St. Joseph Catholic Church, 1310 Main St., Rochester, IN 46975, or St. Ann Catholic Church, Kewanna. Envelopes are available at the funeral home. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Clyde Reed**

July 24, 1940 – Feb. 5, 2017

Clyde Reed, 76, Akron, passed away at 1:45 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 5, 2017, at Peabody Retirement Community, North Manchester.

He was born on July 24, 1940, in Aurora, Ill., to George and Alice (Bogdon) Reed.

Clyde was a truck driver for North Express, Winamac. He also had driven for Pierceton Trucking, Sealed Power, Rochester, and Peabody Retirement Community, North Manchester.

He graduated from Akron High School in 1958. He was a member of the Eagles Lodge, the American Legion, and VFW, all of Rochester. He enjoyed reading and was a White Sox, Oakland Raiders, and Indianapolis Colts fan.

Survivors include his sons, Wade Reed, Salt Lake City, Utah, Bret Reed, Akron, and Todd Reed, Salt Lake City, Utah; a grandchild; four great-grandchildren; and a brother, George and wife Pam Reed, Akron. He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Bruce; and his stepfather, Charles Pearson.

His funeral service is 2 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 9, 2017, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron. Burial will be in the Mentone Cemetery. Visitation is 1 p.m. to the time of the service Thursday at the funeral home.

Family and friends may share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

## **Cleties Wagoner**

March 5, 1929 – Feb. 5, 2017

Cleties Wagoner, 87, Culver, passed away at 11:10 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 5, 2017, at Life Care Center of Rochester. On March 5, 1929, he was born in Fulton County at home to Amos and Stella Fay Zolman Wagoner.

Cleties and Beverly Pore were married on July 18, 1959, in the First Christian Church parsonage of Rochester. They shared 57 years of life's adventures together. Bev and Cleties have been devoted members of Rochester's First Christian Church for more than a half century. With a servant's heart, he and Bev assumed the church's custodial duties for more than 40 years, making sure everything was clean and tidy for the congregation and maintaining the church. Additionally Cleties worked for Rochester Schools as a building tech for 17 years. Much of his time was spent at Riddle School.

As an outdoorsman, Cleties liked the challenge of fishing in the Tippecanoe River. It was there he could enjoy and observe the changing of the seasons and wildlife in their habitats and relax while fishing. He once landed a 26-pound muskie that measured 40 inches in length. It hangs proudly in his living room.

Gifted with the use of his hands, Cleties was exceptional in his ability to work with wood. He created many beautiful gifts that he shared with family and special friends. Of course, he is remembered for his sense of humor, hardy laugh and twinkling eyes.

Cleties will be lovingly remembered by his wife, Beverly; two daughters, Brenda Crawford and husband Steven, Tipton, and Cindy McCarty, Rochester; two sons, William Wagoner and wife Kelly, Neenah, Wis., and Stephen Wayne Wagoner and wife Kay, Albertville, Ala.; 12 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; a brother, Cleon Wagoner, Plymouth; numerous nieces and nephews; his canine companion, Mitzi, the Shih Tzu; and four feline companions, Freddy, Tammy, Fluffy and Blackie. Cleties was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Willodean Brown; and two brothers, Cleo Wagoner and Virgil Wagoner.

A celebration of the life of Cleties Wagoner will be at noon on Wednesday, Feb. 8, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester.

Friends may visit with the family from 10 a.m. to the time of the service

Wednesday at the funeral home. Interment will be in the Leiters Ford Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the First Christian Church, 1101 Madison St., Rochester, IN 46975. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

**Paul D. Weirick**

Paul D. Weirick, 83, rural Silver Lake, died Sunday at Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Weirick, Silver Lake; his daughter, Lee Kuhn, Claypool; his son, Jeff Weirick, Claypool; and his sister, Margaret Conley, Stuart, Fla.

His funeral service is private. Visitation is 5-7 p.m. Wednesday at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

**Carol S. Lahman**

Carol S. Lahman, 77, Rochester, died Saturday at IU Health Methodist Hospital, Indianapolis.

Survivors include two sons, Bradley Lahman, Rochester, and Barry Lahman, Rochester; and a brother, Mike Hartz, Valparaiso.

Her funeral service is 10 a.m. Friday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Thursday and one hour prior to the service Friday at the funeral home.

Wednesday February 8, 2017

**Phillip A. Heckathorn**

Phillip A. Heckathorn, 74, Macy, died Monday.

Survivors include his wife, Shirley Heckathorn; three sons, Dean Heckathorn, Keith Heckathorn and Joe Heckathorn; four brothers, Milton Heckathorn, John Heckathorn, Hank Heckathorn and Nate Heckathorn; and five sisters, Jane Cunningham, Alberta Scofield, Martha Day, Charity Barnhill and Laura Bretzman.

Visitation is 3-7 p.m. Friday at McClain Funeral Home.

**William M. Johnson Sr.**

William M. Johnston Sr., 81, Logansport, died Tuesday at St. Vincent Hospital, Indianapolis. Arrangements are pending at Gundrum Funeral Home & Crematory.



## **Max Hungerford**

Max Hungerford, 89, Rochester, died Tuesday at the Sacred Heart Hospital on the Emerald Coast, Miramar Beach, Fla. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

## **Max J. Colvin**

April 7, 1931 – Feb. 2, 2017

Max J. Colvin, 85, passed away on Thursday evening, Feb. 2, 2017, at Marion General Hospital.

He was born on April 7, 1931, in Winchester, the son of Clarence and Edith (Wright) Colvin. Max honorably served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. On Aug. 11, 1990, in Randolph County, he married Cindy L. Gant.

Max worked for the Indiana Department of Transportation for 21 years until his retirement in 1993. He was a member of River of Life Church in Portland, a life member of the DAV No. 24, Portland, and the caretaker at the Jay County Conservation Club for more than 30 years. Max enjoyed spending time with the archers during the archery shoots and was a well-known prankster.

Surviving are his wife of 26 years, Cindy Colvin, Ridgeville; six children, Vickie Foudray, Winchester, Lisa Reidy, Winchester, Kim Foerg (Garry), Winamac, Eric Colvin (Carol), Kewanna, Sara Mills (Joseph), Portland, and Eric Gant (Jessica), Ridgeville; 14 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandson. He was preceded in death by his parents; one granddaughter, Bridget Reidy; two sons-in-law, John Foudray and Tim Reidy; two brothers; and one sister.

A memorial service will be at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 11, 2017, at the Jay County Conservation Club, 6245 S. 325 W., Portland, with Pastor Paula Honeycutt officiating. Family and friends may call at the club after the service on Saturday from 1-3 p.m. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be directed to the River of Life Church, 722 W. Main St., Portland, IN 47371. The Meeks Mortuary & Crematory, Washington Street Chapel, is in charge of arrangements, and online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.meeksmortuary.com](http://www.meeksmortuary.com).

## **Fred J. Matheny**

Nov. 30, 1931 – Feb. 6, 2017

Fred J. Matheny, 85, Warsaw, passed away at 11:45 a.m. on Feb. 6, 2017, at Mason Health and Rehabilitation Center, Warsaw. He was born in Bourbon, on Nov. 30, 1931, to Ralph and Esther (Mitchell) Matheny.

On June 22, 1951, in Warsaw, he was united in marriage to his first wife, Margaret Fuller, who preceded him in death on May 4, 2016. On June 9, 1972, he married his second wife, Loretta “Skip” Bashore in Rochester, who preceded him in death on Jan. 5, 1998.

After living in Rochester, Fred moved to Warsaw. He formerly worked as an auto mechanic and driver for Fort Wayne Auto Auction and Hammel Chrysler-Plymouth in Rochester. He was active with the Fulton County Historical Society, a muzzleloader shooter and an avid deer hunter.

He is survived by his daughters, Jean A. “Jeanie” and spouse Terry Craig, and Judy Zorn and companion Rocky Bays, all of Warsaw; his brothers, Don Matheny, Rochester, and Russell Matheny, Bloomington, Calif. He is also survived by his grandchildren, Steve and spouse Melinda Zorn, Krista Brown, Melissa Craig and Brian and spouse Kimberly Craig, all of Warsaw; and three great-grandchildren, Peyton Craig, Bryson Bailey and Sydney Brown, all of Warsaw. He was preceded in death by his wives and sister Freda Warren.

A funeral service will be on Thursday, Feb. 9, 2017, at 1 p.m. at McHatton-Sadler Funeral Chapel, Warsaw, with Chaplain Denny Bollenbacher officiating. Burial will follow at Oaklawn Cemetery in North Manchester. A visitation will be on Wednesday, Feb. 8, 2017, from 4-7 p.m. at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the Fulton County Historical Society, 37 E. 375 N., Rochester, IN 46975. To sign the guest register or leave condolences electronically, go to [mchattonsadlerfuneralchapels.com](http://mchattonsadlerfuneralchapels.com).

Thursday February 9, 2017

**Steven R. Ault**

Steven R. Ault, 63, Akron, died Tuesday at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home.

**Jefferey N. Patton**

Jefferey N. Patton, 61, Argos, died Tuesday at St. Joseph Plymouth Medical Center. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

**Marjorie E. St. John**

Marjorie E. St. John, 87, Rochester, died Wednesday at Lakeland General Hospital, Lakeland, Fla. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

**Linda L. Freant**

Linda L. Freant, 64, Denver, died Thursday at home.

Survivors include her husband, Kendall K. Freant, Denver; two children, Troy Freant and Krissy Freant, both of Monticello; and three brothers, Larry Vitello, Minnesota, Danny Vitello, Logansport, and Chris Vitello, Logansport.

A private funeral service occurred. Arrangements are handled by McClain Funeral Home.

**Max L. Hungerford**

Max L. Hungerford, 89, Rochester, died Tuesday at the Sacred Heart Hospital on the Emerald Coast, at Miramar Beach, Fla.

Survivors include a daughter, Karen Sakel, Huntingburg.

His funeral service is 10 a.m. Saturday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 4-6 p.m. Friday and one hour prior to the service Saturday at the funeral home.

**Janice M. Mann**

Nov. 4, 1950 - Feb. 7, 2017

Janice M. Mann, 66, Rochester, passed away at 3:19 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 7, 2017, at Life Care Center of Rochester. She was born on Nov. 4, 1950, in South Bend, the daughter of Ray and Henrietta (Radecki) Lisenko. She married retired Staff Sgt. Donald D. Mann. He preceded her in death on April 2, 2008.

Mrs. Mann had worked as a qualified medical assistant early in life and more recently had worked in home health care. She had attended St. Joseph Catholic Church, was an avid collector of dolls, especially Tiny Tears Dolls, and enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren.

Survivors include her children, Harry and wife Karen Batson, Rochester, Robyn M. and husband Jason Kidder, Rochester, Michelle Kochenderfer, Virginia, and Sally Ferguson, Hartselle, Ala.; 19 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and a sister, Lori Kolecki, South Bend. She was preceded in death by her parents; daughter Caryn Batson; brother Terry Lisenko; and sister Carol Long.

Her funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Feb. 10, 2017, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with the Rev. Michael McKinney officiating. Friends may visit from noon to the time of the service Friday at the funeral home. Burial will be in the Zion Cemetery, Culver. Memorial contributions may be made to the Beaman Home in Warsaw. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

**William ‘Bill’ M. Johnston Sr.**

Oct. 9, 1935 - Feb. 7, 2017

William “Bill” M. Johnston Sr., 81, Logansport, passed away Tuesday, Feb. 7, 2017, at St. Vincent Hospital, Indianapolis.

Born on Oct. 9, 1935, in Cass County, he was the son of the late Harry L. and Evelyn (Funk) Johnston. On March 4, 1956, in Young America, he married Betty Jo Groninger. She preceded him in death on July 1, 2005.

Bill was a 1953 graduate of Twelve Mile High School. He retired from Essroc Cement Plant after working there for more than 40 years and was a part-time farmer in his younger years.

Bill enjoyed his vacation trips to Florida, walking on the beach, and driving through the country admiring the farm ground. He was a regular in the morning at the local Bullshipper’s. Bill enjoyed the Bears, Pacers, and IU basketball, and he especially enjoyed watching the Cubs with his grandchildren as they won the World Series this year. He also enjoyed attending his grandchildren’s sporting events.

Surviving are two sons, William M. Johnston Jr. and his wife Jennifer, Peru, and Ward Scott Johnston and his wife Selena, Rochester; his brother, Neil Johnston, Rochester; sisters-in laws Jean Shepherd and Nancy (Ronnie) Grable, both of Logansport; grandchildren Becky Johnston, Stephanie Marbach, Alicia Johnston and fiance Derek Sadler, William Wesley Johnston, and Harry Blake Johnston; great-grandchildren Cory Smith, Ezra Bellanca, Austin Marbach, and Grace Utter; great-great-grandson, Cory Smith Jr.; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by one brother, Harold Johnston. A celebration of life will be at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 11, 2017, at the Gundrum Funeral Home, Logansport, with Pastor Jim Sparks officiating. Burial will follow in the Mount Hope Cemetery, Logansport. Visitation will be from 3-7 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 10, also at the funeral home. Memorials may be made the charity of one’s choice. Family and friends may sign the guest book and send online condolences at [www.gundrumcares.com](http://www.gundrumcares.com).

**Carol Sue Lahman**

Feb. 15, 1939 - Feb. 4, 2017

Carol Sue Lahman, 77, Rochester, passed away Saturday, Feb. 4, 2017, at IU Health Methodist Hospital, Indianapolis. On Feb. 15, 1939, Carol was born at home in Leiters Ford to C.E. “Mike” and Bernice Kline Hartz. As one of three children, she shared her childhood with two brothers, Jerry and Mike.

Proudly, Carol graduated with the Class of 1957 from Aubbeenaubbee High School. Continuing her education, Carol went to Weikland Beauty College in Logansport.

On Valentine's Day in 1960, Carol and Carl "Dean" Lahman were married in Leiters Ford. They shared 45 years of life's adventures. Together they owned and operated the Lahman Shoe Store for 15 years. Carol also worked at the Rouch Insurance Agency. Both Carol and Dean enjoyed wintering in Fort Myers, Fla. Sadly Dean passed away on May 9, 2005.

Carol kept busy as a volunteer at Woodlawn Hospital, Goodwill and RSVP of Rochester and The Hope Chest in Florida.

Carol will be lovingly remembered by two sons, Bradley Lahman and wife Dena, and Barry Lahman and wife Phyllis, all of Rochester; four grandchildren, Tabby Harger, Kyle Lahman, Austin Sausaman, and Bryce Lahman; three great-grandchildren, Dawson Harger, McKenzie Lahman, and Aaron Meiser; a brother, Mike Hartz and wife Gloria, Valparaiso; a sister-in-law, Sally Andrews, Seattle, Wash.; and numerous nieces and nephews. Carol was preceded in death by her parents; husband; and brother Jerry Hartz.

A celebration of the life of Carol Sue Lahman will be at 10 a.m. on Friday, Feb. 10, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Pastor Nancy Foster will officiate. Friends may visit with the family from 4-8 p.m. Thursday and one hour prior to the service Friday at the funeral home. Interment will be in the Leiters Ford Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Fulton County Cancer Fund through the Northern Indiana Community Foundation, 715 Main St., Rochester, IN 46975, or the Leiters Ford United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 126, Leiters Ford, IN 46945. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Joseph Dennis 'Denny' Wertzberger**

Feb. 20, 1933 - Feb. 5, 2017

Joseph Dennis "Denny" Wertzberger, 83, Brownsburg, and formerly of Greenwood, was reunited with his wife of 53 years, Marcia (McGee) in Heaven on Feb. 5, 2017.

Joe was born on Feb. 20, 1933, in Rochester, to the late Howard R. and Kathleen Wertzberger. He was a 1950 graduate of Rochester High School and a 1954 graduate of Purdue University. Joe was a fan of his beloved Purdue, mostly when they won, but a Boilermaker through and through.

Joe was also a proud veteran of the United States Air Force, where he served as captain. He earned his degree in pharmacy, which he practiced for more than 60 years.

Joe will be deeply missed by his children, Marc (Jacquie) Wertzberger, Marco Island, Fla., Matt Wertzberger, Greenwood, Leanne (Jeff) Ferguson, Brownsburg, and Mike (Rita) Wertzberger, Dallas, Texas; his grandchildren, Joey Wertzberger, and Neil and Abby Hurford; daughter-in-law Lisa Knipp; brother James H. Wertzberger; his nieces and nephews; and family and friends.

There will be a memorial service and celebration of life on Saturday, March 4, at Connection Pointe Christian Church, 1800 N. Green St., Brownsburg, IN 46112, at 11 a.m., with calling one hour before the service. Memorial contributions may be made to The National Kidney Foundation or the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation.

Friday February 10, 2017

### **Max Lee Hungerford**

Dec. 27, 1927 - Feb. 7, 2017

Max Lee Hungerford, 89, Rochester, was surrounded by his loving family when he passed away at 7:17 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 7, 2017, at the Sacred Heart Hospital on the Emerald Coast, Miramar Beach, Fla.

On Dec. 27, 1927, Max was born in Clinton. He was a treasured son of Leo and Lena Houchin Hungerford. Growing up, he shared his childhood with two sisters, Louise and Lela, and a brother, Harold.

During his high school years, Max enjoyed a stellar basketball career playing forward for the Clinton Wildcats boys basketball team. He established and held many scoring records during his play in the Wabash Valley tournaments. The CHS boys basketball team often dominated the sectional action, winning three tournaments while Max was in high school. During his senior year, he served as class president and graduated with great pride from Clinton High School in 1946.

Following high school, patriotism beckoned, and Max answered the call, serving in the U.S. Army. After 15 months of service, Max was honorably discharged as a TEC 4 in November 1947. He was decorated with the World War II Victory Medal and the Army of Occupation Medal in Japan.

Returning from the service, Max headed to Indiana State University under the GI bill to pursue his dream of becoming a teacher. While at ISU, he exercised his athletic prowess, playing on the Sycamores men's basketball team. In 1952, he

graduated from ISU with a degree in secondary education specializing in the areas of industrial education and physical education. Max first embarked on his teaching career in McLean, Ill., where he also was the basketball and baseball coach.

On Dec. 23, 1950, in the United Methodist Church of Clinton, Max married his college sweetheart, Joan Murphy. They shared 63 ½ years of life's adventures. From their union came a beautiful daughter, Karen. The family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of two grandsons and five great-grandchildren.

In 1956, Max and Joan moved to the Rochester community. They both taught at Rochester High School until their retirement. Max was one of the last of his generation who always wore a sport coat and tie to work each day and attended a majority of the Rochester Zebras extracurricular events.

Joan and Max enjoyed traveling. Many cherished memories were made during spring break and following their retirement wintering at Sarasota's Siesta Key and Destin in Florida where they annually met college classmates and colleagues.

Remembered by family and close friends as a soft-spoken, self-made man with a witty sense of humor, Max was a lifetime tennis player. He also was accomplished at the game of pickleball. Max built his own home and enjoyed woodworking in his basement shop. Neighbors remember him as always being there to help them with projects no matter how large or small. Following his move to Rochester in his early years, Max pitched a softball no-hitter, fanning 21 batters in a row.

Left to cherish the memory of Max are a daughter, Karen Sakel and husband Tully, Huntingburg; two grandsons, Kirk Sakel and wife Jennifer, Newburgh, and Reid Sakel and wife Bianca, Huntingburg; five great-grandchildren, Meredith, Conner, Olivia, Kate, and Maxwell; and many nieces and nephews. Max was preceded in death by his parents; beloved wife, Joan, on Sept. 14, 2014; two sisters, Louise and Lela; a brother, Harold; and Peppy, his devoted Boston terrier.

A celebration of the life of Mr. Max L. Hungerford will be at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 11, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Friends may visit with the family from 4-6 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 10, 2017, and one hour prior to the service Saturday at the funeral home. Military rites will be conducted by the Fulton County Veterans Honor Guard and the U.S. Army Honor Guard. Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Grace United Methodist Church, 201 W. 7th St., Rochester, IN 46975. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

## **Jeffery Neal Patton**

July 28, 1955 - Feb. 7, 2017

Jeffery Neal Patton, 61, Argos, passed away at 8:22 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 7, 2017, surrounded by his loving family at St. Joseph Plymouth Medical Center.

On July 28, 1955, in Rochester, Jeff was born to Mart C. and Janet Nesmith Patton. Jeff lived in the Argos community his entire life. He graduated with the Class of 1974 from Argos High School.

Jeff was an artist, using watercolors as his medium on canvas. He loved working in his yard. Being very creative, he designed rock gardens around the family home.

Jeff will be lovingly remembered by his mother, Janet; two sisters, Barbara Ann Patton Carlson, Talma, and Linda Caroline Patton Ranson and husband Edward, La Porte; three brothers, Jerry Patton and wife Kim, Bourbon, David Lynn Patton, Argos, and Mark Anthony Patton, Argos; several nieces and nephews; and several great-nieces and great-nephews. Jeff was preceded in death by his father; and two brothers, Alvis Darrell Patton in infancy, and Randy Steven Patton in 1972.

A private family service will be at a later date. Good Family Funeral Home has been entrusted with the arrangements. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

## **Steven R. Ault**

Sept. 28, 1953 - Feb. 7, 2017

Steven R. Ault, 63, Akron, passed away at 6:45 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 7, 2017, at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. He was born Sept. 28, 1953, in Plymouth.

Steve was a cabinetmaker in Nappanee and Wabash. He had also worked for Creighton Brothers, Hand Industries, and Heckman Bindery. In years past, he was the owner of the Rock Lake Rollerade.

He was raised in the Beaver Dam community. Steve attended the Akron Church of God and was involved with the Akron Youth League. He also mowed many yards and was a handyman. He enjoyed woodworking, fishing, watching sports, gardening, bowling, hunting and his family.

Survivors include his parents, Willodean R. and Danny J. Allen, North Manchester; his sons, Christopher Ray Ault Reese and wife Kristi, Leesburg, Jeremy Lee Ault Reese and wife Mary, Akron, Joseph Ray and wife Cassie Ault, Rochester, and Dawson James Ault, Rochester; daughters Krista M. Ladig and husband Steven, Kendallville, and Brandi Nicole Ault French and husband Isaac,



Rochester; and 17 grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his brother, Freddie Allen Cole.

His funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 11, 2017, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Pastor Kathy Nelson officiating. Burial will be at the Akron Cemetery. Visitation is 4:30-7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 10, 2017, at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to the Akron Youth League or to the Riley Children's Foundation, 30 S. Meridian Street, Suite 200, Indianapolis, IN 462043509. Family and friends may share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

Saturday February 11, 2017

**Lindley F. 'Butch' Bilby**

Oct. 2, 1941 – Feb. 9, 2017

Lindley F. "Butch" Bilby, 75, rural Rochester, passed away at 1:42 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 9, 2017, at his residence.

He was born on Oct. 2, 1941, in Tipton. On May 24, 1980, in Rochester, he married Barbara J. Craft. She survives.

Following Butch's request, no service will occur at this time. Arrangements are handled by Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron. Family and friends may share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

**Donna J. Metheny**

Donna J. Metheny, 95, Rochester, died Friday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

Monday February 13, 2017

**Donna Jean 'Donnie' Grosvenor Metheny**

Aug. 6, 1921 - Feb. 10, 2017

Donna Jean "Donnie" Grosvenor Metheny, 95, Rochester, passed away at 3:40 p.m. Friday, Feb. 10, 2017, at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester. She was born on Aug. 6, 1921, in Milford, the daughter of Floyd E. and Blanche F. (Long) Cretcher.

She was a proud graduate of Bourbon High School with the Class of 1939. On March 23, 1940, in Peru, she married Calvin Grosvenor. He preceded her in

death on Oct. 22, 1969. On Jan. 6, 1973, in Rochester, she married Wayne E. Metheny. He preceded her in death on Aug. 22, 2002.

Donna starting working at a young age, wrapping butter for 9 cents an hour until getting married. She worked alongside her husband, Calvin, on the family farm with more than 20,000 chickens producing eggs and eventually helping him with Rochester Cement Products. She spent many years working with her second husband, Wayne, farming as well.

At the age of 65, she went back into the workforce at Northern Indiana Behavioral Healthcare in Plymouth, retiring at age 92. She was a member of the Trinity United Methodist Church, where she belonged to the Morning Glory Circle. She truly loved the Lord with all her heart, with all her soul, and with all her mind.

In her leisure time, she enjoyed playing cards and games and taking care of her family.

Survivors include her children, Timothy and wife Lynne Grosvenor, Rochester, Tom and wife Val Grosvenor, Rochester, Debby Grosvenor and companion Lonnie Evans, Logansport, and Peg Grosvenor Howell, Rochester. She was known as Grandma Donna to her grandchildren, Anjanette and husband Michael Paul, Atlanta, Ga., Kari Grosvenor, Kewanna, Trevor Grosvenor and companion Kaleigh Collins, Rochester, Courtney Vojtasek, Alexandria, Va., Blake and wife Sarah Vojtasek, Indianapolis, Britt and husband Tony Hancock, Danville, Jordan and husband Brent Woodruff, Fort Lee, Va., Caleb and wife Jennifer Howell, Rochester, Austin Howell, Rochester, Byron and wife Jennifer Osborn, Royal Center, Linc Osborn, Racine, Wis., Marji Osborn, Rochester, Eric and wife Marsha Metheny, Coldwater, Mich., Nick and wife Stephanie Metheny, Indianapolis, and Karla and husband Jeremy Cox, Camby; great-grandchildren Kori Rouch and Ryli Rouch, both of Kewanna, Gent Grosvenor, Rochester, Matthew Osborn, Racine, Wis., Chase Thomas and Megan Thomas, Rochester, Anna Osborn and Byron Osborn, Wabash, Georgia Vojtasek, Indianapolis, and soon-to-be great-granddaughter and namesake, Kaylee Jean Woodruff, Fort Lee, Va.; brothers Benjamin and wife Maxine Cretcher, Bourbon, and Norman and wife Pat Cretcher, Tucson, Ariz.; and sister of the heart/sister-in-law Dorothy Cretcher Wray and husband Lewis, Bourbon. She was preceded in death by her daughter, Janice G. Grosvenor; and brother Nilas Cretcher.

Her funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 15, 2017, at Trinity United Methodist Church, Rochester, with Pastor Gail Law officiating. Friends may visit from 4-8 p.m. Tuesday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home,

Rochester, and one hour prior to the service Wednesday at the church. Burial will be in the Summit Chapel Cemetery, Bourbon. Memorial contributions may be made to the Trinity United Methodist Church or to Gideons International. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

**Joseph E. Felke**

Nov. 25, 1950 – Feb. 11, 2017

Joseph E. Felke, 66, Claypool, passed away at 8:10 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 11, 2017, at his home.

He was born on Nov. 25, 1950, in Plymouth, the son of Francis Edward and Evelyn Joan (Owens) Felke. On April 8, 2004, in Claypool, he married Marsha Welch. She survives.

Mr. Felke had worked in advertising at the Times-Union Newspaper in Warsaw, for more than 40 years. He was a United States Army veteran, having served during the Vietnam War, and had been a member of The Veterans of Foreign Wars post.

He liked horse racing and playing cards, but most of all, he enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren and attending all of their events.

Survivors include his wife, Marsha Felke, Claypool; children Tressa Marie and husband Rod Mohler, Hoffman Estates, Ill., Marc Joseph and wife Desiree Felke, Plymouth, and Cassandra Lynn Felke, Hoffman Estates, Ill.; stepdaughter Amy and husband Aaron Bird, Rochester; grandchildren Anthony Felke, Nicholas Felke, Miguel Felke, Morgan Mohler, Mackenzie Bird, Miranda Felke, Brooklynn Felke, and Mariah Felke; parents Ed and Joan Felke, Rochester; brother Mike Felke, Rochester; and niece Brandy Babcock, Buchanan, Mich.

Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Feb. 17, 2017, at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Rochester, with the Rev. Michael McKinney officiating. Friends may visit from 4-8 p.m. Thursday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Burial will be in Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth, where a military graveside service will be conducted. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

Tuesday February 14, 2017

**Garry A. Shidler**

Garry A. Shidler, 66, Rochester, died Saturday at home.

Survivors include his wife, Elaine, Rochester; two sons, Adam Shidler, Rochester, and Brent Shidler, Huntington; and 10 siblings, Iris Simonin, Lafayette, Oren Shidler, Knox, Delores Morgan, Monticello, Maxine Smith, Winamac, Dennis Shidler, Royal Center, Fred Shidler, Monticello, Frank Shidler, Star City, Jake Shidler, Logansport, Lou Grauel, California, and Trish Dahlenburg, Lafayette.

His funeral service is 4 p.m. Friday at Metea Baptist Church. Visitation is 4-7 p.m. Thursday at Good Family Funeral Home.

### **David Goss**

David Goss, 76, Rochester, died Monday at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

Wednesday February 15, 2017

### **Barbara A. McLean**

Barbara A. McLean, 72, Plymouth, died Monday at home.

Survivors include her daughter, Lorraine Birk, Rochester; her sisters, Virginia Cole, Danville, Ill., Dolores Egolf, Plymouth, and Elaine Cole, Madison, Wis.; and her brothers, Manuel Conley, Plymouth, and Charles Conley, Washington.

Her funeral service is 2 p.m. Friday at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos. Visitation is noon to the time of the service Friday at the funeral home.

### **David W. Goss**

David W. Goss, 76, Rochester, died Monday at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Survivors include his wife, Gaylo; four children, Angie Notz, Rochester, Glenn Goss, Rochester, Brian Goss, Rochester, and Greg Benzing, Rochester; and a sister, Joyce Baillieul, Bedford, Va.

A graveside service is 10 a.m. today at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Arrangements are handled by Good Family Funeral Home.

### **Edwin W. Reeves**

Edwin W. Reeves, 66, Leesburg, died Monday. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

### **Bonnie L. Clupper**

March 14, 1936 – Feb. 13, 2017

Bonnie L. Clupper, 80, Rochester, passed away at 9:48 p.m. Monday, Feb. 13, 2017, at her residence.

She was born on March 14, 1936, in Rochester, the daughter of Byron and Sarah (Chamberlain) Zimmerman. On May 27, 1953, in South Haven, Mich., she married Ralph L. Clupper. He survives.

Bonnie had been a homemaker. Her greatest joys in life were taking care of her children and grandchildren. She had also been a dedicated child care provider for other children for many years.

Survivors include her husband, Ralph Clupper, Rochester; children Terry and husband Steve Coleman, Rochester, Mary and husband John Schultz, Rochester, Julie Wilburn, Rochester, Viki and husband Dave Lawson, Rochester, Mark and wife Julie Clupper, Kewanna, and Matt and wife Stephanie Clupper, Columbia City; 19 grandchildren; 31 great-grandchildren; sister Sandra Witham, Palestine; and sisters-in-law Mavis Zimmerman, Akron, and Toby Baber, Rochester. She was preceded in death by her parents; brothers Dave Zimmerman and John Zimmerman; and two great-grandchildren.

Her funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 18, 2017, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Friends may visit from 4-8 p.m. Friday and one hour prior to the service on Saturday at the funeral home. Burial will be at Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Marjorie E. St. John**

Aug. 24, 1929 – Feb. 8, 2017

Marjorie E. St. John, 87, Rochester, passed away on Wednesday, Feb. 8, 2017, at Lakeland General Hospital, Lakeland, Fla.

In Peru, on Aug. 24, 1929, Marjorie E. Becker was born. She was the treasured daughter of Albert and Winifred Brach Becker. Growing up, she shared her childhood with a brother, Bob.

On Feb. 2, 1952, in Kokomo's St. Patrick Catholic Church, Marjorie married the love of her life, Mr. Fred St. John. For more than 65 years, they shared life's adventures. From their union came two wonderful sons, Steve and Jeff. The family

tree continued to grow with the added blessings of three grandchildren. With the arrival of Charlotte Rose Meyer on Feb. 12, the St. Johns added a fourth generation, a new great-granddaughter.

Dedicated to the Hanna – Small – Sabatini & Becker Law Office in Logansport, Marjorie was a legal secretary, retiring after 41 years of service. Following her retirement, she and Fred enjoyed wintering in Florida. She was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church.

Left to cherish the memory of Marjorie are her beloved husband, Fred, at home; two sons, Steve St. John, and Jeff St. John and wife Carol, Edwardsville, Ill.; and three grandchildren, Deanne Meyer and husband Ben, Danielle St. John and Demi St. John; and great-granddaughter Charlotte Rose Meyer. She was preceded in death by her parents and a brother, Bob Becker.

The family of Marjorie E. St. John will receive friends from 5-7 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 15, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th Street, Rochester. Following Marjorie's wishes, a private family service will occur, followed by entombment in the Sunset Memory Garden Cemetery, Kokomo. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Garry A. Shidler**

Jan. 28, 1951 – Feb. 11, 2017

Mr. Garry A. Shidler, 66, Rochester, was surrounded by his loving family when he passed away on Saturday, Feb. 11, 2017, at home, following a valiant battle with cancer.

Born on Jan. 28, 1951, in Pulaski County, Garry Arthur Shidler was a treasured son of Thomas and May Linback Shidler. Growing up, he shared his childhood with seven brothers and five sisters. With great pride, Garry graduated from Pulaski High School in 1969.

On Oct. 27, 1979, at the Burton Church, Garry married the love of his life, Elaine Kamp. They enjoyed more than 37 years of life's adventures. From their union came two handsome sons. The family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of two grandsons.

An avid outdoorsman, Garry enjoyed fishing in Fulton County and accompanying his brothers on fishing trips to Minnesota, Kentucky and Tennessee. In late May when the morels made their appearance, he was beckoned to his favorite mushroom-hunting locales around the area. Annually the Shidler family

floated the Tippecanoe River, embracing nature and the scenery along the river's banks.

Always for the underdog, Garry was a huge NASCAR fan. A new race would allow him to root for the underdog and a different driver each time. He also enjoyed cheering for the Indianapolis Colts. At home, Garry worked on small engines, especially lawn mowers, in his garage shop. He embraced the challenge of troubleshooting, then applying his knowledge to restore the mowers to top running condition.

Annually Garry and Elaine planted a huge truck patch garden. He loved all aspects of gardening and managed to plant bumper crops of tomatoes and Black Beauty zucchini. They shared their produce with family, friends and neighbors. Garry was always there to help his family, friends and neighbors. Whether it was overseeing projects or lending a hand, he was always ready and available to pitch in.

Left to cherish Garry's memory are his wife, Elaine, at home; two sons, Adam Shidler and wife Kelly, Rochester, and Brent Shidler and wife Dana, Huntington; grandchildren Cash Thomas, Trace Jeffrey, and due to arrive in late March 2017 is Camden Edward, and the family's first granddaughter will arrive in June 2017; 10 siblings, Iris Simonin, Lafayette, Oren Shidler and wife Maria, Knox, Delores Morgan, Monticello, Maxine Smith, Winamac, Dennis Shidler and wife Judy, Royal Center, Fred Shidler and wife Ann, Monticello, Frank Shidler and wife Carla, Star City, Jake Shidler and wife Karen, Logansport, Lou Grauel and husband Eddie, California, and Trish Dahlenburg and husband Mark, Lafayette; numerous nieces, nephews and cousins; and his loyal canine companions, the Great Danes, Lucy and Tess. Garry was predeceased by his parents; two brothers, Ron and his wife Rosemary, Duke and his wife Pauline; and three brothers-in-law, Chuck Simonin, Bob Smith and Gary Morgan.

A celebration of the life of Mr. Garry A. Shidler will be at 4 p.m. EST Feb. 17, 2017, at the Metea Baptist Church. His family will receive friends on Thursday from 4-7 p.m. EST at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th Street, Rochester. Pastor Mark Foreman will officiate. Memorials in lieu of flowers may be made to the Metea Baptist Church, 7391 Indiana 25 North, Lucerne, IN 46950, or the Fulton County Animal Adoption and Education Center through the NICF, 715 Main St., Rochester, IN 46975. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

**Wayne J. DeYoung**

Wayne J. DeYoung, 69, Argos, died Monday at South Bend Hospice House. Survivors include his sister, Danita DeYoung, Rochester.

No service will occur at this time. Arrangements are handled by Earl-Grossman Funeral Home.

Thursday February 16, 2017

### **Arlen L. Hammond**

Arlen L. Hammond, 87, Granger, and formerly of Rochester, died Friday at home.

Survivors include a daughter, Teri Joy, South Bend; and a sister, Shirley Gates, Florida.

A private service was at Good Family Funeral Home.

### **Edwin W. Reeves I**

Edwin W. Reeves I, 66, Leesburg, died Monday at home.

Survivors include his wife, Barbara; a daughter, Lori Sechrist, Leesburg; four sons, Edwin Reeves II, Leesburg, Jesse Reeves, Pierceton, Andy Wright, Warsaw, and Ben Wright, Bremen; and two brothers, Bill Reeves, Huntsville, Ala., and Gary Reeves, Greenwood.

His funeral service is 10 a.m. Saturday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 4-7 p.m. Friday and one hour prior to the service Saturday at the funeral home.

### **David W. Goss**

Aug. 25, 1940 – Feb. 13, 2017

David W. Goss, 76, Rochester, passed away Monday, Feb. 13, 2017, at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

On Aug. 25, 1940, David was born in Plymouth. He was the treasured son of Howard and Ethel Slonaker Goss. Growing up, he shared his childhood with a sister, Joyce, and a brother, Bob. Following high school, patriotism beckoned. Dave answered the call, serving with the U.S. Army. He spent much of his tour stationed in Germany.

On Nov. 21, 1984, in Rochester, David married the love of his life, Gaylo Anne Jagger Benzing. Together they enjoyed more than 32 years of life's adventures.



With a servant's heart, Dave joined the Rochester Police Department, assigned as patrolman. He kept the city safe, living the motto, "to serve and protect." From 1979-1990, Dave was appointed as police chief of the city of Rochester, till his retirement in 1991 following 20 dedicated years of service.

As an American sportsman, Dave loved fishing the Tippecanoe River. He hunted and trapped and enjoyed mushroom hunting each spring and horseback riding. At home, he applied his craftsmanship in his woodworking shop, making gliders, swings and barn quilts for family and special friends. Dave was a member of the Manitou VFW Post No. 1343.

Left to cherish the memory of David are his wife, Gaylo; four children, Glenn Goss and wife Leslee, Brian Goss and wife Laura, Greg Benzing and wife Staci, and Angie Notz and husband Joe, all of Rochester; eight grandchildren, Brooke Enyart, Damon Myers, Scott Benzing, Landon Notz, Gryphen Goss, AJ Notz, Graeme Goss, and Gabriella Goss; a sister, Joyce Baillieul, Bedford, Va.; his mother-in-law, Evelyn Jagger; and two brothers-in-law, Larry Jagger and wife Faye, and Mike Jagger. David was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Robert Goss.

A graveside service for David W. Goss was 10 a.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 15, 2017, at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Pastor Terry Baldwin officiated. Military honors were conducted by the Fulton County Veterans Honor Guard and the U.S. Army Honors Team. On Saturday, Feb. 18, from noon to 3 p.m., Dave's family welcomes everyone to Faith Outreach Center, 1125 E. 9th St., Rochester, to celebrate his life. The Good Family Funeral Home has been entrusted with caring for his family. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Friday February 17, 2017

### **Martha L. Meade**

Martha L. Meade, 68, Silver Lake, died Sunday at Parkview Hospital Randallia, Fort Wayne.

Survivors include her husband, Fred Meade, Silver Lake; her son, Leo E. Pruitt Jr., Silver Lake; her mother, Mary Ann Edwards, Akron; her sister, Sue Stone, Georgetown; and her brothers, Kenneth Richardson, Macy, and Danny Richardson, Peru.

Her funeral service is 1 p.m. Saturday at Hartzler Funeral Home. Visitation is 11 a.m. to the time of the service Saturday at the funeral home.

**Thomas E. Zeiger**

Thomas E. Zeiger, 66, Rochester, died Thursday at the Veterans Administration Northern Indiana Health Care System, Marion Campus. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

**Pat Alvin Allen**

June 25, 1951 - Feb. 16, 2017

Pat Alvin Allen, 65, Rochester, passed away at 4:39 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 16, 2017, at his residence. He was born on June 25, 1951, in Newberry, Mich., the son of Alvin and Marian (Griffith) Allen.

On Dec. 20, 1973, in Traverse City, Mich., he married Pamela (Olsen) Allen. She survives.

Mr. Allen had worked in the timber industry for many years and worked in construction. He had also worked as a heavy equipment mechanic. He enjoyed hunting and fishing in his spare time.

Survivors include his wife, Pamela Allen, Rochester; children Tim and wife Michelle Baynton, Newberry, Mich., Shawn and wife Susan Allen, Tyner, Melissa and husband Brad Reynolds, Rochester, Jason and wife Stephine Allen, Plymouth, and Shannon and husband Chris Williams, Plymouth; 13 grandchildren; brother Russ Allen, Rochester; and sister Bonnie Lee, Culver. He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers Francis Griffin, George Allen and Rex Allen; and sisters Anna May Cole, Roseman Swan, Georgia Ash, Barbara McAlpine and Grace Cole.

There is no service scheduled at this time. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

Saturday February 18, 2017

**Thomas E. Zeiger**

Oct. 30, 1950 – Feb. 16, 2017

Thomas E. Zeiger, 66, Rochester, passed away at 5:30 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 16, 2017, at the Veterans Administration Northern Indiana Health Care System, Marion Campus.

He was born on Oct. 30, 1950, in Rochester, the son of Joseph A. and Martha J. (Richard) Zeiger.

Thomas served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War. He had worked at Sonoco Products in Akron, in the production department. He had attended St.

Joseph Catholic Church, Rochester, and was a member of the Eagles Lodge, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post, and the American Legion. In his free time, he enjoyed auto racing and fishing and loved to get out and enjoy coffee with his friends.

Survivors include his children, Rachel and husband Jasper Midkiff, Rochester, Martha and husband Robert Artist, Rochester, and Melanie and husband Scott Moody, Warsaw; five grandchildren, Dane and Kaelyn Midkiff, and Abbigail, Thomas and Elena Artist, all of Rochester; stepgrandchildren Alexandria, Samuel, and Kyle Moody, Warsaw; sister Nancy and husband Lonnie Cripe, Rochester; and brothers John and wife Martha Zeiger, Rochester, and Rick Zeiger and companion Debbie Brubaker, Rochester. He was preceded in death by his parents and sister Mary Zeiger.

His funeral service will be at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 22, 2017, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with the Rev. Michael McKinney officiating. Friends may visit from 4-8 p.m. Tuesday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, and one hour prior to the service on Wednesday at the funeral home. Burial will be in Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester, where military graveside services will be conducted by the Fulton County Veterans Honor Guard. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

Monday February 20, 2017

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Tuesday February 21, 2017

### **Mary A. Jones**

Mary A. Jones, 97, formerly of Rochester, died Saturday in Michigan. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home of Rochester.

### **Billy E. Kline**

March 18, 1938 – Feb. 17, 2017

Billy E. Kline, 78, North Manchester, passed away at 3:38 p.m. Feb. 17, 2017, at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. He was born on March 18, 1938, in Wabash, the son of Everett Kline and Grace (Maidford) Kline.

Billy retired as a foreman from the Wabash County Highway Department. He attended Silver Creek Church of God, Silver Lake. He loved horses,

motorcycles and small engine repair. He was a woodworking hobbyist and loved his dogs, camping, fishing and the outdoors. He was an avid coffee lover; he liked his black!

Survivors include his sons, Michael Kline, North Manchester, and Billy (Julie) Kline, Warsaw; daughters, Vicki Hohos, Crown Pointe, Karen (Greg) Brown, Rochester, Cammy Whitaker, Warsaw, Becky (Brian) Laupp, Walton, Ky., and Tracy Trout, North Manchester; brother, Don (Suzi) Kline, North Manchester; sisters, Marilyn (Larry) Vctor, North Manchester, and Helen Jackson, Servia; 24 grandchildren, 27 great-grandchildren and 10 extended family members. He was preceded in death by his parents and sister, Carolyn Helton.

His funeral service is 11 a.m. Wednesday at McKee Mortuary, 1401 Indiana 114 West, North Manchester. Rev. Andrew Morton will officiate. Burial will be in South Pleasant Cemetery, Silver Lake. Friends and family may call McKee Mortuary from 4-8 p.m. today. Memorial contributions may be made to Riley Children's Hospital, c/o Riley Children's Foundation, 30 W. Meridian St., Suite 200, Indianapolis, IN 46204, or Villalobos Rescue Center, PO Box 771127, New Orleans, LA 70177.

### **Betty J. Miller**

March 30, 1927 – Feb. 20, 2017

Betty J. Miller, 89, formerly of Mentone, passed away at 7:08 a.m. Monday, Feb. 20, 2017, at Mason Health Care of Warsaw.

She was born on March 30, 1927, in Fulton County, the daughter of Max and Leoma (Heminger) Anderson.

On Feb. 2, 1947, in Koontz Lake, she married Harold L. Miller. He preceded her in death on July 26, 1997.

She had worked for Midwest Spring in Mentone, as well as being a homemaker. She was a 1945 graduate of Leiters Ford High School. She enjoyed doing needlework. She also enjoyed dolls and stuffed animals.

Survivors include her sons, Jerry Miller, Warsaw, and Larry and wife Cherokee Miller, Warsaw; grandsons, Ryan, Martin, and Nathan Miller; several great-grandchildren; sisters, Phyllis Becraft, Rochester, Sue Grube, Rochester, and Ruth Ann and husband Paul Reuter, Warsaw; and brother, Robert Anderson, Anderson. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband and brother, Donald.

A graveside service is 2 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 23, 2017, at Richland Center Cemetery, Rochester, with Pastor Dennis Bollenbacher officiating. Burial will be

in the Richland Center Cemetery. Arrangements are handled by King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone. Memorial Contributions are open to the donor's choice of charity. Family and friends may share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

Wednesday February 22, 2017

No Obituaries

Thursday February 23, 2017

**Mary A. Jones**

Mary A. Jones, 97, formerly of Rochester, died Saturday in Michigan. Survivors include a son, John Jones, Trenton, Mich.

Her funeral service is 2 p.m. Saturday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is noon to the time of the service Saturday at the funeral home.

**Terrance A. Hudson**

Terrance A. Hudson, 62, Rochester, died Wednesday at home. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

Friday February 24, 2017

**Kenneth Hurlburt Sr.**

Kenneth Hurlburt Sr., 84, Thornhope, died Thursday at home. Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home.

**Conrad E. Townsend**

Oct. 15, 1931 - Feb. 22, 2017

Conrad E. Townsend, 85, Winona Lake, and formerly of Twelve Mile, passed away peacefully at 1:08 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 22, 2017, at Grace Village, Winona Lake.

He was born on Oct. 15, 1931, in Wabash. On May 6, 1961, he married Josephine A. Hines. She survives.

He worked for many years as the foaling manager for Town and Country Horse Farms in Florida. Conrad enjoyed reading, horses and studying Abraham

Lincoln's history. Conrad was a U.S. Air Force veteran, serving during the Korean War.

Survivors include his wife, Josephine Townsend, Winona Lake; children Mark Townsend (Cathy), Rochester, and Nancy Townsend, Fort Wayne; brother Wallace Townsend (Carole), Twelve Mile; and stepgranddaughter Toni Swartzell, Logansport. Conrad was preceded in death by his infant son, Lincoln Townsend; mother Beulah (Reed) Vinson; and brother Norman Vinson.

His funeral service will be at noon Saturday, Feb. 25, 2017, at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Royal Center Chapel, with Pastor Brian Sewell officiating. Visitation will be from 10 a.m. until the time of the service Saturday at the funeral home. Burial with military rites will be performed at Kistler Cemetery in Royal Center. Memorial contributions may be made to Kosciusko Home Care & Hospice, 1515 Provident Drive, Warsaw, IN 46580, and the American Diabetes Association. Friends may sign the online guest book or leave a condolence for the Townsend family at [www.ransfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com).

### **Terrance A. Hudson**

Nov. 15, 1954 - Feb. 22, 2017

Terrance A. Hudson, 62, Rochester, passed away at 1:10 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 22, 2017, at his residence.

He was born on Nov. 15, 1954, in Anderson, the son of William and Bonnie (Weise) Hudson. At a young age, his family moved to Fillmore, N.Y., where he spent his childhood years. After graduating from high school, he enlisted in the United States Navy, serving for four years. He briefly settled in Boston, Mass., after his service with the Navy before deciding to move to the West Coast. His journey west led him to stop in South Bend. There he met Kathleen Gohn, and eventually married her on June 5, 1982.

Mr. Hudson had worked as a licensed practical nurse for many years in South Bend at various nursing homes and at St. Joseph Medical Center. He had worked for many years at Life Care Center of Rochester before retiring. In his leisure time, he enjoyed fishing, hunting and motorcycles and, recently, mandala art.

Survivors include his wife, Kathleen Hudson, Rochester; son Loyd Hudson and wife Michelle Barbuch, Zionsville; grandchildren Zoey and Sidney Hudson, both of Zionsville; sisters Beth White, Fillmore, N.Y., and Nancy McNurtry, Nunda, N.Y.; brother William Hudson, Fillmore, N.Y.; and several nieces and

nephews. He was preceded in death by his father, William Hudson; mother Bonnie Thomas; and stepfather Gordon Thomas.

A graveside service will be at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 25, 2017, at Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester, with the Rev. David Moore officiating. Military graveside rites will be conducted by the Fulton County Veterans Honor Guard. The family will receive friends immediately following the services at the Rochester Meats & Deli Manitou Banquet Room at the corner of Ninth Street and Wabash Avenue for continued fellowship. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Mary Alice Jones**

Feb. 2, 1920 - Feb. 18, 2017

Former Rochester resident, Mary Alice Jones, 97, passed away on Saturday, Feb. 18, 2017, in Trenton, Mich.

On Feb. 2, 1920, Mary Alice Long was born in Kosciusko County. She was the cherished daughter of George and Esther Dunfee Long. In Ligonier, on Sept. 16, 1954, Mary Alice married the love of her life Mr. Gerald "Jerry" Jones. They shared 58 years of life's adventures. Sadly, he passed away on Oct. 18, 2012.

Gardeners, Mary Alice and Jerry enjoyed the annual planting of the garden. Every spring, she enhanced the landscape of their home by planting colorful flowers. Accomplished with handiwork, Mary Alice enjoyed sewing and knitting gifts of warmth for family and special friends. She was also a devoted member of Rochester's First Christian Church for many years.

Left to cherish the memory of Mary Alice are a son, John Jones and wife Sharon, Trenton, Mich.; a stepdaughter, Laura Keller and husband Vance, Lake Okeechobee, Fla.; a stepson, Howard Jones, Rochester; five grandchildren, Adam Jones, Laney Jones, Margaret Kuster, Lindsey Liddle and Jeffrey Jones; two great-grandchildren, Harper Liddle and Cohen Liddle; seven stepgrandchildren; and numerous stepgreat-grandchildren. Mary was preceded in death by her parents; beloved husband, Jerry; and son Thomas Jones on Oct. 17, 2005.

A celebration of the life of Mary Alice Jones will be at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 25, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Pastor Mike Van Heyningen officiating. Friends may visit with the family from noon-2 p.m. on Saturday at the funeral home. Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's

Foundation of America, 322 Eighth Ave., Seventh Floor, New York, NY 10001.  
Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Saturday February 25, 2017

### **Robert Emery**

Jan. 23, 1935 - Feb. 23, 2017

Robert Emery, 82, Twelve Mile, passed away at 9:50 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 23, 2017, at Logansport Memorial Hospital. He was born Jan. 23, 1935, in Fulton County, the son of the late Paul and Violet (Johnson) Emery.

Bob was a very hard worker that loved his family. He loved bowling, fishing, lawn mower racing and antique tractors. He had a giving heart and would help anyone. He retired from the C & O Railroad and was a farmer.

He is survived by his loving wife, Janice Emery, Twelve Mile; two sons, Dale (Kim) Emery, Logansport, and Jerome (Jenni) Emery, Logansport; daughter Julie (Robert) Schroder, Logansport; sister Pulletta Shafer, Twelve Mile; four grandchildren, Lacey Emery, Drew Emery, Nathan Schroder and Neil Schroder; five great-grandchildren, Braxton, Lillyn, Maxine, Parker and Carter; and other extended family, Patty, Randy and Karee.

His funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, March 1, 2017, at the Fulton United Methodist Church. Friends may visit from 5-8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 28, 2017, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, and one hour prior to the service Wednesday at the church. Burial will take place at Fulton Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Fulton United Methodist Church. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Alice Monesmith**

Feb. 7, 1926 - Feb. 23, 2017

Alice Monesmith, 91, Rochester, passed away at 8:05 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 23, 2017, at Miller's Merry Manor, Logansport.

She was born on Feb. 7, 1926, in Huntsville, Tenn., the daughter of Lee and Amy (Cross) Trammell. On April 17, 1948, in Dayton, Ohio, she married Oscar A. Monesmith. He preceded her in death on Oct. 10, 1985.

Mrs. Monesmith had worked at T.M. Morris and attended the Fulton Baptist Temple. She enjoyed playing cards and bingo.



Survivors include her nephew, Eugene D. Peters, Chiefland, Fla.; and close friends, Kenny and Vickie Eytcheson, Fulton. She was preceded in death by her brother and two sisters.

A graveside service will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday, Feb. 27, 2017, at the Fulton Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Kenneth 'Wayne' Hurlburt Sr.**

April 30, 1932 - Feb. 23, 2017

Kenneth "Wayne" Hurlburt Sr., 84, Thornhope, passed away at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 23, 2017, at his residence.

Born April 30, 1932, in Fulton County, he was the son of the late Lovell and Frances (Engle) Hurlburt. On Dec. 2, 1950, he married Elizabeth R. Moss. She preceded him in death on March 27, 2008. He was a U.S. Air Force Veteran.

Wayne formerly worked at Wilson Foods in Logansport and retired after 23 years. He enjoyed pitching horseshoes in the Royal Center League and was an avid Cubs fan.

Survivors include his children, Keith Hurlburt (Lynda), Winamac, Kenneth Hurlburt Jr., Thornhope, Ron Hurlburt, Thornhope, Randy Hurlburt, Thornhope, and Laura Schneider, Winamac; brother Chester L. "Son" Hurlburt, Texas; and sister Patricia Branson, Winamac. He is also survived by 10 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. Along with his parents and wife, he was also preceded in death by a son, Kevin Hurlburt; brother Phillip Blaine; sister Catherine Wright; sister-in-law Ida Hurlburt; and brother-in-law Carl Branson.

His funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m., Monday, Feb. 27, 2017, at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Royal Center Chapel, with Pastor David Norris officiating. Visitation will be from 2-5 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 26, at the funeral home. Burial with military rites will be at Victor Chapel Cemetery in Star City. Memorial contributions may be made to Calvary Baptist Church, 830 N. Market St., Winamac, IN 46996. Friends may sign the online guest book or leave a condolence for the Hurlburt family at [www.ransfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com).

### **John Vining**

John Vining, 73, Glen Ellyn, Ill., and formerly of rural Bourbon, died Friday at Seasons Hospice & Palliative Care, Naperville, Ill. Arrangements are pending at King Memorial Home.

Monday February 27, 2017

No Obituaries

Tuesday February 28, 2017

### **Scotty Graves**

Aug. 19, 1922 - Feb. 16, 2017

Scotty Graves, son of Daniel Roscoe and Martha Graves, went to his eternal resting place at 7:35 a.m. Feb. 16, 2017, leaving behind his loving wife of 52 years, Wilma; their combined families of seven children, Stacey Kerns, Tracy Graves, Lori McGuire, Mary E. Anderson, David Graves, Dixie Townsend and husband Charles, and Mable Graves; numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Scotty served as a gunman in the U.S. Army during WWII, from Nov. 20, 1942, until Dec. 8, 1945.

Scotty was a construction worker and cement mason until he retired in 1984. He then became known as "Scotty the Wood Man." He was the head groundskeeper at Rochester City Park for many years.

His hobbies included hunting, fishing, and gardening. He will be sadly missed by his deer hunting buddies, Ron Anderson, who took him hunting and fishing for the past year, Dave King, and Bob Wood. A special thank-you to Jimmy Straeter for letting us deplete the fish population in his ponds.

His closest pals were his two dogs, Rowdy, a shelter rescue, and Toby, a Shih Tzu. A special shout-out to all the guys and gals at the "truck stop," where he liked to hang out and shoot the breeze.

There will be no service at this time, but a celebration of life will occur at a later date.

### **John L. Vining**

John L. Vining, 73, Glen Ellyn, Ill., and formerly of rural Bourbon, died Friday at Seasons Hospice & Palliative Care, Naperville, Ill.

Survivors include his wife, Alice Vining, Glen Ellyn, Ill.; and his brother, Louis D. Vining, McCordsville.

His funeral service is 11 a.m. EST Saturday at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone. Visitation is 4-7 p.m. EST Friday at the funeral home.

### **Richard A. Sanders**

Dec. 5, 1925 - Feb. 26, 2017

Richard A. Sanders, 91, Cookeville, Tenn., passed away at 1:55 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 26, 2017, at Signature HealthCARE, Algood, Tenn. Richard was born on Dec. 5, 1925, in Rochester.

Upon his graduation from high school, he enlisted in the Navy and was a signalman aboard LST 856 in the South Pacific in WWII. After retiring from the war, he married June (Hayden) in 1946. He was a member of the Cookeville Kiwanis Club for a number of years. He worked as a salesman for McKee Baking Foods (Little Debbie) for 40 years, until retiring in 1990.

Richard is survived by his children, Cristine (Jim) Gooch, West Mifflin, Pa., Cathy (Ray) Lintner, Cookeville, Tenn., and Pete (Judy) Sanders, Fort Myers, Fla.; sister Sue Henry; and brother Mike Beattie. He has nine grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren and one great-great-granddaughter. In addition to his parents, Richard was preceded in death by his wife, June Sanders, and his brother, Jackie.

A private graveside burial with military honors is planned. Burial will be in the Dry Valley Cemetery in Cookeville, Tenn. To sign the online guest book and send the family a message, please visit [www.crestlawnmemorial.com](http://www.crestlawnmemorial.com). Arrangements are entrusted to Crest Lawn Funeral Home-Cremation Center.

Wednesday March 1, 2017

### **Budd L. Moore**

May 29, 1927 - Feb 25, 2017

Budd L. Moore, 89, Elkhart, and formerly of Edwardsburg, Mich., passed away to his rest Feb. 25, 2017, at Eastlake Assisted Living, with his family around him.

He was born on May 29, 1927, in Peru, the son of Lucius and Effie (Ehlinger) Moore. He lived most of his life in the Michiana area.

On May 30, 1947, he married Emma Lou Moon. They would have been married for 70 years this May. They had five children.

Budd is survived by his wife, Emma; their children, Thomas Budd (Jo) Moore, Paragould, Ark., JoAnn (Scott) Wozniel, White Pigeon, Mich., Pam (Michael) Miller, Goshen, and Marcia (Mike) Speraw, Mishawaka; and a daughter-in-law, Karen Moore, Rochester, Indiana. He was preceded in death by a son, James Richard Moore. He had 11 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. He is also survived by a sister, Mary Reinholt, Plymouth. Three of his sisters preceded him in death: Irene York, Dorothy Haimbaugh and Juanita Mohler.

Budd was a Borden milkman, delivering milk door to door. When he moved from Athens to Edwardsburg, Mich., on Garver Lake, he became a sheet-metal worker and an air balancer. He retired as a service manager from Trane Company, South Bend.

He enjoyed living on Garver Lake, working around the yard or in the lake, fishing or just sitting talking with a cup of coffee. He taught his children and grandchildren to fish. On weekends at the lake, he would sit and watch his grandchildren swim, ride bikes, play basketball and just have a good time at Grandpa and Grandma's lake. They will be memories that his family will always remember.

Budd was very proud to have served in the United States Marine Corps.

Family and friends may gather at the Paul E. Mayhew Funeral Home, 26863 W. Main St., Edwardsburg, Mich., on Saturday, March 4, from 10 a.m. until noon, when a remembrance service will start. The Rev. Scott Scheel, pastor of the Edwardsburg Presbyterian Church, will conduct the service. He will be assisted by Anne Mitchell, chaplain for Harbor Lights Hospice. Cremation has occurred. The family will lay Budd to rest at Adamsville Cemetery at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Disabled American Veterans.

The Moore family would like to take this opportunity to express their gratitude to the staff at Eastlake Assisted Living for the wonderful care of their father and the help they gave their mother with taking care of him. Also they would like to thank Harbor Lights Hospice for the kindness and compassion shown to their father and family.

Arrangements are by the Paul E. Mayhew Funeral Home, Edwardsburg, Mich.

### **William D. Fairchild**

William D. Fairchild, 79, Rochester, died Tuesday at home. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

**Mildred P. Anness**

Mildred P. Anness, 96, Rochester, died Tuesday at Wynnfield Crossing, Rochester. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

Thursday March 2, 2017

**David A. See**

David A. See, 60, Peru, died Saturday at Community Howard Regional Health, Kokomo.

Survivors include his mother, Geraldine Goodnight, Peru; and seven siblings, Susan Clark, Peru, Michael See, Utah, Patricia Cooper, Peru, Lori Correll, Peru, Tim See, Utah, Diana Brewer, Peru, and Robert See, Peru.

His funeral service is 3 p.m. Saturday at Zion Chapel Church, Peru. Visitation is from 2 p.m. until the time of service Saturday at the church. Arrangements are handled by McClain Funeral Home.

**Nina Marie DeFord**

May 4, 1924 - Feb. 28, 2017

Nina Marie DeFord, 92, North Manchester, died at 3 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 28, 2017, at Parkview Whitley Hospital, Columbia City.

She was born on May 4, 1924, in Fulton County, to Donald C. and Nona (Tracy) Burch. Nina was a 1942 graduate of Akron High School. She married R.J. DeFord in Denver, on Sept. 6, 1962. He died on Dec. 17, 2016.

She retired from First National Bank/Norwest/Wells Fargo in Wabash after 50 years. Nina was a member of the Wabash Christian Church and of the Wabash County Hospital Auxiliary and worked in the gift shop at the Wabash County Hospital for many years. Nina was also an avid IU fan. She lived in Wabash for 35 years before moving to Peabody Retirement Community in North Manchester.

She is survived by two sisters-in-law, JoAnn Burch, Rochester, and Inez Burch, Fort Wayne; and many nieces and nephews. Along with her husband, she was also preceded in death by her parents, eight brothers and one sister.

Her funeral service will be 10:30 a.m. Saturday, March 4, 2017, at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 1241 Manchester Ave., Wabash, with the Rev. Haley Asberry officiating. Burial will be in Falls Cemetery, Wabash, following the service. Friends may call from 4-7 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

The preferred memorial is Wabash Christian Church or Wabash County Cancer Society. The memorial guest book for Nina may be signed at [www.grandstaff-hentgen.com](http://www.grandstaff-hentgen.com).

### **William Dean Fairchild**

Jan. 24, 1938 - Feb. 28, 2017

William Dean Fairchild, 79, Rochester, passed away at 12:15 p.m. Feb. 28, 2017, at his residence.

He was born on Jan. 24, 1938, in Logansport, the son of William and Edna (Maxwell) Fairchild. On May 12, 1960, in Fulton, he married Patricia Joan Cripe. She survives.

Mr. Fairchild retired from Dean Foods in December 2002 after 35 years of service. He enjoyed woodworking, fishing, and camping.

Survivors include his wife, Patricia J. Fairchild, Rochester; children Michael Fairchild, Rochester, Nancy Fairchild, Macy, and Randy and wife Tarah Fairchild, Denver; grandchildren Jodi (Fairchild) and husband Jason McMillen, Logansport, and Jamie (Fairchild) and husband Lee Sutton, Rochester; stepgranddaughter Hope Townsend, Deedsville; great-grandchildren Ella McMillen and Lamien McMillen, both of Logansport; stepgreat-grandchildren Alexandria Sutton and Blake Sutton; a future stepgreat-grandchild arriving in August 2017; sister Jeanne Eytcheson, Fulton; and nephew Jeff Eytcheson, Fulton. He was preceded in death by his parents; daughter Carolyn Fairchild; brother-in-law Jerry Eytcheson; and stepfather Clarence Rentschler.

Mr. Fairchild's family will receive friends from 2-4 p.m. Saturday, March 4, 2017, at the Solid Rock Church, 913 Main St., Rochester. Interment will take place at a later date at Mount Zion Cemetery, Rochester. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Mildred P. 'Millie' Anness**

Oct. 19, 1920 - Feb. 28, 2017

Mildred P. "Millie" Anness, 96, Rochester, passed away at 12:40 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 28, 2017, at Wynnfield Crossing, Rochester.

She was born on Oct. 19, 1920, in Peru, the daughter of Paul V. and Daisy (Pleasant) Bahney. On Feb. 22, 1941, in Liberty, she married Kenneth F. Anness. He preceded her in death in 1985.

Mildred was a 1938 graduate of Peru High School. She went on to complete a business course in Fort Wayne in 1939. During World War II, she worked as a civil service employee for the Federal Rationing Program, and she was also a familiar face working for many years at her father's Peru grocery store.

She and her family moved to Rochester in 1954 after purchasing the former A& W Root Beer stand. They remodeled a lake cottage for a permanent residence on Lake Manitou. She was an active member of the First Baptist Church and one of the early chairmen of the United Ministries Christmas Basket program and participated in other community volunteer programs in Rochester.

Mildred also worked many years for Rochester Telephone Company as a telephone operator and for the Manitou Training Center as a teacher's assistant.

She loved outdoor activities, which included skiing and swimming, playing golf with the Elks Ladies Club, yardwork, bicycling and walking everywhere. When she was indoors, she enjoyed reading.

After her husband's death, Mildred sold their lake cottage and moved into Four Seasons Mobile Home Estates with her home facing the No. 5 golf tee at the Round Barn Golf Club at Mill Creek. She enjoyed watching golfers from her deck as well as the wildlife year-round. Many winters she would spend with her son in Kailua, Hawaii. She would often remark about all the world changes she had witnessed during her long life and always thanked the Lord every day for her good health to enjoy it. After her son's death, she moved to Wynnfield Crossing.

Survivors include her sister-in-law, Lynn Anness, Florida; two nieces; one nephew; and two cousins. She was preceded in death by her husband; parents; son, Paul "King" Anness; brother Robert S. Bahney; and stepmother Kate Landgrave.

A memorial service will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, March 4, 2017, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Friends may visit from noon until the time of the service Saturday at the funeral home. Burial will follow at Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru. Memorial contributions may be made to the First Baptist Church or the Fulton County Animal Adoption and Education Center, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosh.com)

Friday March 3, 2017

**William Dean Fairchild**

Jan. 24, 1938 – Feb. 28, 2017

William Dean Fairchild, 79, Rochester, passed away at 12:15 p.m. Feb. 28, 2017, at his residence.

He was born on Jan. 24, 1938, in Logansport, the son of William and Edna (Maxwell) Fairchild. On May 12, 1960, in Fulton, he married Patricia Joan Cripe. She survives.

Mr. Fairchild retired from Dean Foods in December 2002 after 35 years of service. He enjoyed woodworking, fishing, and camping.

Survivors include his wife, Patricia J. Fairchild, Rochester; children Michael Fairchild, Rochester, Nancy Fairchild, Macy, and Randy and wife Tarah Fairchild, Denver; grandchildren Jodi (Fairchild) and husband Jason McMillen, Logansport, and Jamie (Fairchild) and husband Lee Sutton, Rochester; stepgranddaughter Hope Townsend, Deedsville; great-grandchildren Ella McMillen and Lumen McMillen, both of Logansport; stepgreat-grandchildren Alexandria Sutton and Blake Sutton; a future great-grandchild arriving in August 2017; sister Jeanne Eytcheson, Fulton; and nephew Jeff Eytcheson, Fulton. He was preceded in death by his parents; daughter Carolyn Fairchild; brother-in-law Jerry Eytcheson; and stepfather Clarence Rentschler.

Mr. Fairchild's family will receive friends from 2-4 p.m. Saturday, March 4, 2017, at the Solid Rock Church, 913 Main St., Rochester. Interment will take place at a later date at Mount Zion Cemetery, Rochester. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

Saturday March 4, 2017

No Obituaries

Monday March 6, 2017

No Obituaries

Tuesday March 7, 2017

### **Micheal L. Wise**

Jan. 26, 1950 - March 6, 2017

Micheal L. Wise, 67, of rural Akron, passed away at 1:30 a.m. Monday, March 6, 2017, at Autumn Ridge Rehabilitation Centre, Wabash, after being in failing health for five years.



He was born on Jan. 26, 1950, in Warsaw, to Lonus and Virginia (Currie) Wise. On Nov. 22, 2003, in Akron, he married Annette Hartman. She survives.

He had been employed by Tippecanoe School Corporation since 1978 as a bus driver and custodian.

Micheal graduated from Akron High School in 1968. He then attended Manchester College and Purdue University. While at Purdue, he sang in the Purdue Glee Club. Mike also was a farmer, growing up on a dairy farm. He made custom hay for several people.

He was an active member of the Fulton County Historical Society and served on the board for more than 15 years. He was also a member of the Masonic Lodge, Scottish Rite, and the Mizpah Shrine. In earlier years, he was a member of the Fulton County Players, and in his youth, he was active in Kosciusko County 4-H. He was always an avid Allis-Chalmers fan and owner.

Survivors include his wife, Annette Wise, Akron; his sister, Nedra and husband Dale Wilcoxson, Pierceton; his nieces and nephews, Brent Fultz, Brian Fultz, Lori Montgomery and Julie Garofalo; and eight great-nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; and his sister, Christine Fultz, on March 26, 2014.

Honoring Mike's wishes, no service is planned at this time. Arrangements are handled by Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron. Memorial contributions may be made to the Fulton County Historical Society. Family and friends may share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Carolyn Joan Evans**

Dec. 14, 1936 - March 6, 2017

Carolyn Joan Evans, 80, Rochester, passed away at 1:45 a.m. Monday, March 6, 2017, at her residence.

She was born on Dec. 14, 1936, in Marion, the daughter of Byron E. and Priscilla Merle (Blacketer) Ginn. On June 5, 1955, at the First Baptist Church in Rochester, she married Larry Evans.

Mrs. Evans had worked for more than 31 years at the former Foley's Jewelers in downtown Rochester. She had been a member of the First Baptist Church, a dedicated volunteer for the United Ministries Food Pantry and a Girl Scout leader for many years.

In her leisure time, she and her husband Larry enjoyed traveling all over the world, visiting 40 different countries.

Survivors include her husband, Larry Evans, Rochester; children Lynn and husband Joe Williams, Rochester, Brent and wife Catherine Evans, Plymouth, and Brenda and husband Steve Christian, Minneapolis, Minn.; grandchildren Cole Christian, Fayetteville, N.C., and Etta Evans, Porter Evans and Everly Evans, all of Plymouth; and stepgrandchildren Kiel and Nic Williams, both of Rochester. She was preceded in death by her parents and sister Carrie A. Williams.

Her funeral service will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday, March 8, 2017, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with Dr. Mark Spencer officiating. Friends may visit from 10:30 a.m. to the time of the service Wednesday at the funeral home. Burial will follow at Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester. Memorial contributions may be made to the United Ministries Food Pantry, First Baptist Church or the American Cancer Society. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

Wednesday March 8, 2017

No Obituaries

Thursday March 9, 2017

**Steven S. Nard**

Steven S. Nard, 73, Rochester, died Wednesday at home. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

Friday March 10, 2017

**Steven S. Nard**

July 6, 1943 - March 8, 2017

Steven S. Nard, 73, Rochester, passed away at 12:32 a.m. Wednesday, March 8, 2017, at his residence.

He was born on July 6, 1943, in Indianapolis, the son of Vernon Thomas Sr. and Mary Jane (Bates) Nard. He graduated from Broad Ripple High School and served with the United States Air Force, stationed in Greenland during the Vietnam War. On Aug. 7, 1998, he married Patricia Kumpfer.

Mr. Nard had been a service representative for the Xerox Corporation. He had been a member of the Moose Lodge, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post, Lake

Manitou Ski Club and the Tiger Club. He enjoyed skiing, parasailing and spending time with his family and friends at his residence known as Nard's Pointe on Lake Manitou.

Survivors include his wife, Patricia Nard, Rochester; sons Matt Nard, Rochester, Andrew Alan Nard, Rochester, Steven Scott Nard Jr., Plentywood, Mont., and Robert L. Kumpfer, Chesterton; and grandchildren Hunter Nard, Rochester, Megan Nard, Rochester, Erick Nard, Texas, Brittany Kate Kumpfer, Chicago, Ill., and Robert Padriac Kumpfer, Chesterton. He was preceded in death by his parents; brother V. Thomas Nard Jr.; and sister Jerry Dunbar.

No service is scheduled at this time. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Renee LeeAnn Gagnon**

Sept. 19, 1985 - March 7, 2017

Renee LeeAnn Gagnon, 31, Rochester, and formerly of Akron, passed away at 6:10 p.m. Tuesday, March 7, 2017, at her residence. She was born on Sept. 19, 1985, in Rochester, to Terry Gagnon and Georgia Clark.

She was a graduate of Tippecanoe Valley High School. She also furthered her education at the International Business College in Fort Wayne and graduated as a vet tech. She enjoyed camping, riding horses, and boating. She always had a love for all animals. But most of all, she was a proud mother to the love of her life, Rienn.

Survivors include her daughter, Rienn Gagnon, Akron; her mother and stepfather, Georgia and Wendell Moudy, Rochester; her father, Terry Gagnon and fiancée Cindy Bucher, Akron; her brother, Heath Gagnon, Akron; her stepsisters, Cassie Doyle and Kristal Mylin; her stepbrothers, Eric Gearhart, Kory Moudy and Kyle Moudy; and her paternal grandmother, Violet Gagnon, Akron.

Following her request, no visitation or service will occur. Her final remembrance place is in Athens Cemetery. Donations may be sent to Hartzler Funeral Home for Rienn's college fund. Family and friends may share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

Saturday March 11, 2017

**Sherry L. Rogers**

Sherry L. Rogers, 66, Rochester, died Friday at home. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

Monday March 13, 2017

**Carol A. Morningstar**

Carol A. Morningstar, 74, Plymouth, died Friday at Elkhart Hospice House. Survivors include her husband, David Morningstar; her daughters, Teresa Flory, and Tammy Eads; and her brothers, Carl Denny, Jim Denny, Gaylord Brown, and George Denny.

Her funeral service is noon Tuesday at Walnut Church of the Brethren, 5975 19th Rd., Argos. Visitation is 10 a.m. to the time of the service Tuesday at the church. Arrangements are handled by Earl-Grossman Funeral Home.

**Larry L. Rohrer**

Larry L. Rohrer, 71, Claypool, died Friday at home. Arrangements are pending at Earl-Love Funeral Home.

**Betty A. Nolin**

Betty A. Nolin, 75, Argos, died Friday at IU Health University Hospital, Indianapolis.

Survivors include her husband, Jim Nolin, Argos; her daughters, Lisa Sponseller, Atwood, and Lori Hirschy, Fort Wayne; her son, Chad Nolin, Warsaw; and her sister, Gladys Snyder, Argos.

Her funeral service is 10 a.m. Thursday at Walnut Church of the Brethren, 5975 19th Rd., Argos. Visitation is 4-8 p.m. at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos.

**Julie L. Wirtz**

Julie L. Wirtz, 50, Peru, died Thursday at Community Howard Regional Health Hospital, Kokomo.

Survivors include two children, James T. Malott, Peru, and Mindy L. Bowers, North Manchester; and two sisters, Wendy Bayona, Connecticut, and Tracey Schaeffner, Rochester.

Her funeral service will occur at a later date. Arrangements are handled by Earl-Love Funeral Home.

## **Sherry Lee Rogers**

Feb. 18, 1951 - March 10, 2017

Sherry Lee Rogers, 66, Rochester, passed away at 10:37 a.m. Friday, March 10, 2017, at her residence following a valiant fight with cancer.

On Feb. 18, 1951, at Rochester's Woodlawn Hospital, Sherry Lee Evans was born. She was a treasured daughter of Robert W. and Norma J. Bitterling Evans. Growing up, she shared her childhood with her little sister, Christina.

During her youth, Sherry attended Richland Center School. She completed her formal education in 1969 as a member of the first class to attend the new Rochester High School for all four years. Sherry was a member of the RHS Marching Zebras, playing the clarinet. For her expertise in business class, she earned an award in shorthand.

On July 24, 1971, in the First Christian Church of Rochester, Sherry married the love of her life, Mr. Russell Alan Rogers. They shared 36 years of life's adventures. During their early years of marriage, Russ was serving his country with the U.S. Air Force. Sherry and Russ lived in Germany and California. A favorite memory was on New Year's Eve in 1972 when the couple spent the weekend in Paris, France.

As a receptionist and chair-side assistant, Sherry worked for Dr. James Fritts, DDS, for a few years. In 1973, she began working for Topps Safety Apparel in the office as a bookkeeper and payroll and the general go-to person. She was dedicated for more than four decades, retiring earlier this year.

Skilled in her handiwork ability, Sherry enjoyed quilting, knitting and macrame. She was especially proud of her proficiency in tatting. This skill was taught by and acquired from Grandma Evans. Family and friends remember Sherry for her great sense of humor.

Embracing the outdoors, Sherry and Russ enjoyed the winter season by snowmobiling. In 2003, they toured Canada via snowmobile. The Michigan trails were their home away from home, as they enjoyed memorable escapades. Russ and Sherry were featured on the cover of "Outdoor Indiana" in the 2004 winter edition, trailing on the snowmobiles at Salamonie Lake near Andrews. The summer months brought on mini-vacations and extended weekend trips on their motorcycle.

Sherry will be lovingly remembered by her father, Robert W. Evans, Rochester; brother-in-law, Doug Garvison and wife Susie, Rochester; special uncle, Mick Evans and wife Judy, Rochester; numerous nieces, nephews and cousins; and her cherished canine companion, Marley the tan Jack Russell terrier.

Sherry was preceded in death by her mother, Norma in 1993; husband Russ on July 25, 2007; a sister, Christina Jean Evans Swango in 2014; and her in-laws, Don and Marilyn Garvison.

A celebration of the life of Sherry Lee Rogers will be at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, March 14, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Pastor Mike Van Heyningen officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 10:30 until the hour of the service Tuesday at the funeral home. She will be laid to eternal rest, next to her beloved husband, Russ, in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Fulton County Heart Fund, Fulton County Cancer Fund or the Fulton County Animal Adoption and Education Center, all through the Northern Indiana Community Foundation, 715 Main St., Rochester, IN 46975. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Carl R. Edington**

Carl R. Edington, 76, Argos, and formerly of Rochester, died Saturday at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Mishawaka. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

Tuesday March 14, 2017

### **Larry Lee Rohrer**

Sept. 19, 1945 - March 10, 2017

Larry Lee Rohrer, age 71, Claypool, passed away Friday evening, March 10, 2017, at his residence, doing what he loved best, bringing his wife of 52 years, Carolyn, safely home from yet another of their many life's journeys.

Following Larry's wishes, there will be no formal funeral service, but there will be a public visitation and viewing at Earl-Love Funeral Home, 811 E. Rochester St., Akron, on Thursday, March 16, 2017, from 5-8 p.m. Burial will be in the Graceland Cemetery, Claypool, with a private graveside ceremony.

Larry was born Sept. 19, 1945, in Claypool to Noble and Myra (Scott) Rohrer. He graduated in 1963 from Mentone High School and a year later married the girl next door and love of his life, Carolyn Konkle.

Growing up on the farm put Larry's keen ability to fix things to the test. Larry would eventually use those skills to form his own business, Larry's Appliance Service, serving the North Manchester and surrounding communities for

nearly 30 years. Larry didn't meet a problem he couldn't solve and was known for doing it the right way, endeavoring to educate along the way.

Larry loved and cared for his children and grandchildren with the same remarkable ability, helping them laugh when they wanted to cry, showing the way when life presented its many roadblocks, and always seeking the truth and bringing you along for the journey. He is loved and will be dearly missed. He made it home.

Larry is survived by his wife, Carolyn; his son Nathan and daughter Darla (Scott) Miller; his grandchildren, Chas Wilson, Brooklyn (Jack) Wilson, Ashley Miller, and Madeleine and Hannah Rohrer; his great-grandchildren, Chaston and Alannah Wilson; his brother, Leon (Darlene) Rohrer; his sister, Linda (Dave) Lock; and numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, friends and neighbors. Larry was preceded in death by his father, Noble and mother Myra; his sister, Janice Method; and his daughter-in-law Lori Colvin Rohrer.

Online condolences may be sent to [earllovefuneralhome.com](http://earllovefuneralhome.com)

The staff of Earl-Love Funeral Home considers it a privilege and an honor to care for the family and friends of Larry Rohrer.

### **Betty J. Davis**

Betty J. Davis, 94, Culver, died Saturday at Miller's Merry Manor.

Survivors include her sister, Joyce Winn; and her children, Ned Davis, Culver, Diane Taylor, Bloomington, and Kent Davis, Hudson, Ohio.

Her funeral service is 11 a.m. Wednesday at Wesley United Methodist Church, Culver. Visitation is 10 a.m. to the time of the service Wednesday at the church. Arrangements are handled by Odom Funeral Home, Culver.

### **Kay L. Emond**

Kay L. Emond, 63, Argos, died Friday at home.

Survivors include her daughter, Krystle L. Clark, LaPaz; her sons, Michael J. Bottorff Jr., Walkerton, and Brandon W. Bottorff, Plymouth; her sister, Nancy S. Hoeffler, Argos; and her brothers, Elmer B. Emond, Plymouth, and David A. Emond, Bremen.

Her memorial service is 2 p.m. Saturday at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos. Visitation is 1 p.m. to the time of the funeral Saturday at the funeral home.

### **Carl R. Edington**

Nov. 27, 1940 - March 11, 2017

Carl R. Edington, 76, formerly of Rochester, passed away at 10:57 a.m. Saturday, March 11, 2017, at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Mishawaka.

He was born on Nov. 27, 1940, in Fulton County, the son of William and Mable (Irvin) Edington. In 2016, he married Sharon Miller. She survives.

Carl retired from Burns Construction after more than 20 years of service as a foreman. He enjoyed playing basketball and socializing with his friends.

Survivors include his wife, Sharon; children Steve and wife Barbara Edington, New Mexico, Eric Edington, Bourbon, Shayne and wife Norma Edington, Argos, Brandon Edington, Argos, Chase and wife Anee Edington, Goshen, Brian Edington, Bremen, Indiana, and Penny and husband Lawrence King, California; stepson Craig Shireman, Argos; numerous grandchildren; brother Ralph Edington, Rochester; and sisters Louise Grube, Rochester, Evelyn Burns, Rochester, and Ruby Armstrong, Lafayette. Carl was preceded in death by his parents; daughter Socha Edington; daughter-in-law Linda Edington; brothers Lester "Spider" Edington and George Edington; sister Margaret Carpenter; sister-in-law Jean Edington; and brother-in-law Howard Burns.

His funeral service will be at noon Saturday, March 18, 2017, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with Pastor Gary Clingler officiating. Visitation will be from 10 a.m. until the time of service Saturday at the funeral home. Burial will follow at Kewanna I.O.O.F Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the funeral home to assist the family with funeral arrangements. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Bonnie Lee**

Bonnie Lee, 70, Culver, died Monday at IU Health Ball Memorial Hospital, Muncie. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

### **Peggy A. Kats**

Peggy A. Kats, 65, rural Rochester, died Monday at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Mishawaka. Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home.

Wednesday March 15, 2017

### **Peggy A. Kats**

Dec. 14, 1951 – March 13, 2017



Peggy A. Kats, 65, rural Rochester, passed away at 2:20 a.m. Monday, March 13, 2017, at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Mishawaka.

She was born on Dec. 14, 1951, in Fulton County, to John and Patsy (Alspaugh) Jackson. In 1994, she married William Kats. He preceded her in death in 2006.

Peggy was a homemaker. She enjoyed cooking, baking and gardening.

Survivors include her daughters, Dana Jackson, Warsaw, and Nicole Kats and husband Travis Fisher, Warsaw; her mother, Patsy and husband Terry Cave, Rochester; her father, John and wife Marilyn Jackson, Macy; 10 grandchildren; her sister, Doris Lewis, Rochester; her half sisters, Brenda and Kandi; and her half brothers, Dale and Danny. She was preceded in death by her son, Brent Jackson; and her brother, Don Jackson.

Her funeral service is 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 22, 2017, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Pastor Kathy Nelson officiating. Her final remembrance place will be in the Athens Cemetery. Visitation is 5 p.m. to the time of the service March 22 at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron. Memorial contributions are to the donor's choice of charity. Family and friends may share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Shawnee L. Hughes**

Shawnee L. Hughes, 50, Mentone, died Tuesday at home. Arrangements are pending at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home.

Thursday March 16, 2017

### **Bonnie Lee**

Bonnie Lee, 70, Culver, died Monday at IU Health Ball Memorial Hospital, Muncie.

Survivors include her husband, Ronnie E. Lee, Culver; children, Ronald E. Lee, Argos, and Veronica Hawkins, New Paris; and brother Russ Allen, Rochester.

Her memorial service is 1-4 p.m. March 25 at the Leiters Ford Community Building. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

### **Shawnee L. Hughes**

Shawnee L. Hughes, 50, Mentone, died Tuesday at home.

Survivors include her husband, Mark Hughes, Mentone; her sons, Derek A. Hughes, Winona Lake, and Patrick L. Hughes, Mentone; her mother, Jennie Earl,

Atwood; her sisters, Angela Himes, Claypool, and Amie Rogers, Warsaw; and her brother, Alan Earl, Argos.

Her funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Monday at the Warsaw Wesleyan Church, 2402 W. Old Road 30, Warsaw. Visitation is 2-6 p.m. Sunday at the church. Arrangements are handled by Earl-Grossman Funeral Home.

### **Susan E. Frettinger**

Susan E. Frettinger, 58, Rochester, died Tuesday at home.

Survivors include her mother, Thelma; two sisters, Peggy Casey, Indianapolis, and Patty Eads, Rochester; and a brother, Dan Frettinger, Valley View, Texas.

Her funeral service is 10 a.m. Saturday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 5-7 p.m. Friday and one hour prior to the service Saturday at the funeral home.

Friday March 17, 2017

### **Daniel E. Moore**

Oct. 17, 1950 - March 14, 2017

Daniel E. Moore, 66, Lafayette, passed away at 8:35 p.m. on March 14, 2017, at his residence. He was born on Oct. 17, 1950, in Urbana, Ohio.

After graduating from JFK High School in Guam, Daniel joined the United States Navy and served for 20 years before retiring. He then came to Lafayette and worked at Fairfield Manufacturing before retiring from there.

Daniel's marriage was to Kathryn Shoaf on Nov. 11, 1991, in Louisville, Ky. She preceded him in death on Dec. 21, 2015.

Daniel was a member of American Legion Post 11, the VFW, 40& 8 and the Legion Riders. He enjoyed fishing and riding motorcycles.

Surviving are his mother, Helen (Schilliger) Cramer, Rochester; four sisters, Terri Neil (Bob), Kokomo, Jennifer Babcock (Don), Rochester, Emma Salkill, Cleveland, N.C., and Linda Snowberger (Carl), Lafayette; a brother, Stanley A. Cramer Jr. (Nancy), Stoughton, Wis.; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father, Stanley A. Cramer Sr., and a sister, Lois Tharp.

Visitation will be from 12:30 p.m. until the time of the service at 1:30 p.m. on Monday, March 20, 2017, at Soller-Baker Funeral Homes, Lafayette Chapel, 400 Twyckenham Blvd., Lafayette. Pastor Jim Dillinger will officiate. Burial will follow at Tippecanoe Memory Gardens in West Lafayette with American Legion

Post 11 graveside rites. Family and friends may sign the guest book and leave memories at [www. soller-baker.com](http://www.soller-baker.com).

### **Ernie Young**

Ernie Young, 79, Rochester, died Wednesday. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

### **Travis G. Howard**

Travis G. Howard, 20, Syracuse, and formerly of Rochester, died Tuesday at home.

Survivors include his mother, Elaina Howard, Syracuse; his brother, Garrett Howard, Syracuse; and his sister, Abigail Booth, Syracuse.

His funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Owen Family Funeral Home, 1001 S. Huntington St., Syracuse. Visitation is 5-8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

### **Susan E. Frettinger**

Sept. 11, 1958 - March 14, 2017

Miss Susan E. Frettinger, 58, Rochester, was surrounded by her loving family when she passed away at 8:57 p.m. on Tuesday, March 14, 2017, at her residence. This followed a valiant battle with cancer.

On Sept. 11, 1958, Susan was born in Rochester. She was a treasured daughter of Frank Edward and Thelma J. Moon Frettinger. Growing up as the youngest of the Frettinger children, she shared her childhood with two sisters and a brother.

With great pride, she graduated from Rochester High School in 1976. Following her high school years, Susan went to work for the Fulton County Assessor's Office. She then began working for the federal Department of Agriculture farm service agency. Dedicated to agriculture, Susan served area farmers as a program assistant for 33 years, retiring in 2012.

Left to cherish Susan's memory are her mother, Thelma; two sisters, Peggy Casey and husband Ray, Indianapolis, and Patty Eads, Rochester; a brother, Dan Frettinger, Valley View, Texas; a niece, Dawn Eschenbach and husband Cary; seven nephews, Joel Casey and wife Tara, Dustin Casey, Nathan Saylor and wife Cindy, Jacob Frettinger, Taylor Frettinger, Andy Frettinger and Chris Frettinger; and two great-nieces, Isla Margaret Casey and Audie Kayanne Casey. Susan was preceded in death by her father, Frank, on April 18, 1987; brother-in-law, Rick Eads, on June 11, 2004; and a sister-in-law, Shar Frettinger, on April 6, 2016.

A celebration of the life of Miss Susan E. Frettinger will be at 10 a.m. on Saturday, March 18, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Pastor Jerry Pitman officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 5-7 p.m. on Friday, March 17, 2017, and an hour prior to the service Saturday at the funeral home. Interment will be in the Richland Center IOOF Cemetery. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Saturday March 18, 2017

### **Harold E. Young**

Harold E. Young, 79, Rochester, died Wednesday at Life Care Center of Rochester.

Survivors include his wife, Carole; his children, Lance S. Young, Rochester, Shawn F. Young, Pasadena, Md., Mark S. Dibble, Johns Creek, Ga., Melinda A. Coomes, North Liberty, and Michelle S. Kaylan, Seattle, Wash.; and his sister, Judy Taylor, Rochester.

His funeral service is 11 a.m. Wednesday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 4-7 p.m. Tuesday and one hour prior to the service Wednesday at the funeral home.

Monday March 20, 2017

### **Harold E. Young**

July 27, 1937 - March 15, 2017

Mr. Harold "Ernie" Edward Young, 79, of Rochester, was surrounded by his loving family when he passed away at Life Care Center, Rochester, at 10:25 p.m. Wednesday, March 15, 2017.

Born in South Bend at St. Joseph Hospital on July 27, 1937, Ernie was the treasured son of Earl and Helen Young. Growing up, he shared his childhood with his sister Judy and half-brother Richard Eldridge. With great pride, Ernie graduated from Richland Center High School in 1955.

In the Presbyterian Church in Rochester, on Sept. 1, 1967, Ernie married the love of his life, Carole Grace Potter. Together they shared nearly 50 years of life's adventures. Over the years, the family tree grew with the added blessings of six grandchildren.

Dedicated as a foreman, Ernie enjoyed a career with General Motors for nearly three and a half decades. He had been a faithful member of the First Christian Church. Upon retirement, Ernie and his wife Carole moved to Mission Texas for a 10 year period. They later returned home to Rochester.

With an appetite for history and love for travel, Ernie and Carole enjoyed traveling across the United States. A few memorable destinations being Mt. Rushmore, Gettysburg and San Diego. An avid sports fan, Ernie enjoyed cheering for Notre Dame, the St. Louis Cardinals and the Green Bay Packers. When he was relaxing, always at his side were his treasured canine companions, Mitzi and Butch, the Boston Terriers he adored.

With a passion for reading, Carole and Ernie shared a collection in their library that surpassed three thousand books. One of his favorite authors was James Michener. As an American outdoorsman, Ernie loved boating on the sparkling waters of Lake Manitou and snowmobiling on the trails in Pure Michigan. Ernie will also be remembered for his fondness of growing roses.

Left to cherish Ernie's memory are his wife Carole; sons, Lance S. Young and wife Becky, Rochester, Shawn Foster Young and wife Jasmine, Pasadena, Md., Mark Samuel Dibble and wife Claire, Johns Creek, Ga.; two daughters, Melinda Anne Coomes and husband Thomas, North Liberty, and Michelle Susanne Kaylan and husband Howard, Seattle, Wash.; sister, Judy Taylor, Rochester; sister-in-law, Susan Hall, Westfield, Penn.; six grandchildren, Tom Coomes, Haley Coomes, Mike Dibble, Shaun Dibble, Jackie Young and husband Eric, and Samantha Sawyer and husband Joshua. Preceding Ernie in death are his parents Earl and Helen Young, half-brother Richard Eldridge, a brother-in-law, Kenneth Taylor and the Bostons of his heart Mitzi and Butch.

A celebration of the life of Mr. Harold "Ernie" Edward Young will be Wednesday, March 22, at 11 a.m. in the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Pastor Mike Van Heyningen will officiate services. Friends may visit with his family from 4-7 p.m. Tuesday and one hour prior to his service. Military honors will be accorded by the Fulton County Veteran's Honor Guard and the US Army Honor Guard. Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Online expressions of sympathy may be expressed to Ernie's family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Mary A. Tyler**

Mary A. Tyler, 82, Kewanna, died Sunday at Parkview Randallia of Fort Wayne.

Survivors include her daughters, Alice Ople and Audrey Smith, and son, Richard Tyler.

Her funeral service is 10 a.m. Friday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Thursday and one hour prior to the service Friday at the funeral home. Arrangements are handled by Good Family Funeral Home.

Tuesday March 21, 2017

### **Mary Ann Tyler**

May 10, 1934 - March 19, 2017

Mary Ann Tyler, 82, Kewanna, passed away just after midnight at Parkview Hospital Randallia, Fort Wayne, on Sunday, March 19, 2017.

In Lake County, on May 10, 1934, Mary Ann Collins was born. She was the precious daughter of Miner E. and Anna Einsphar Collins. Growing up as one of three children, she shared her childhood with a sister, Dorothy, and a brother, John. With great Red Devil pride, in 1953, Mary graduated from Lowell High School in Lowell.

On April 28, 1961, at Lowell, Mary Ann married the love of her life, Mr. Kenneth J. Tyler. From their union came three wonderful children, Alice, Audrey and Richard. The family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of five grandchildren and three great-grandsons.

A dedicated member of the banking industry, Mary served as teller for the Leiters Ford State Bank and First National and Norwest banks. She also attended the First Baptist Church of Rochester.

With a love of the outdoors, Mary enjoyed feeding and observing the birds and squirrels. Springtime brought on the planting of the garden. She especially enjoyed the bountiful harvests with the freezing and canning of the produce. During the summer, she and Ken went to tractor shows. They both shared a passion for Oliver tractors.

As the matriarch of the Tyler family, Grandma Mary was proud to oversee four generations. From her kitchen command post, Mary was always preparing a feast for the holidays and special family gatherings. She was the proud owner of a collection of more than 400 cookbooks. In demand were her apple bite cookies and custom-made cakes with homemade icing.

With a joy for baking, Mary and Alice formed a partnership. Together they created cakes for special events, customizing them to the honored requests. Whether it was for birthdays, graduations, weddings or anniversaries, they were

customer- driven, which also allowed them to garner some mad money. A favorite place to visit was Branson, Mo. Mary enjoyed the shows, especially the country music of Kenny Rogers, Randy Travis and Dolly Parton.

Left to cherish the memory of Mary are two daughters, Alice Opple and husband Ron, Rochester, and Audrey Smith and husband Greg, Anderson; a son, Richard Tyler, Kewanna; five grandchildren, Janelle Rushton and husband Chris, Tyler Opple, Andrew Smith and wife Stephanie, Tony Smith and wife Jama, and Angela Smith; her many extended grandchildren who accompanied the grands on special visits; three great-grandsons, Caden Anthony Smith, Liam Owen Smith and, with an expected arrival on April 4, Crosby Alexander Rushton; and canine companion, Watson, the salt-and-pepper schnauzer. Mary was preceded in death by her parents, Miner and Anna Collins; husband Ken on July 7, 2004; a sister, Dorothy Collins; and a brother, John Collins.

A celebration of the life of Mary Ann Tyler will be Friday, March 24, at 10 a.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Dr. Mark Spencer will officiate. Friends may visit with her family on Thursday from 4-8 p.m. and an hour prior to the service on Friday at the funeral home. Burial will follow at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery, where she will be laid to eternal rest next to her beloved husband, Ken. Preferred memorial in lieu of flowers may be made to Shriners Hospital for Children – Chicago, 2211 N. Oak Park Ave., Chicago, IL 60707. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to Mary's family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Wednesday March 22, 2017

### **David Ranstead**

David Ranstead, 60, Rochester, died Tuesday at home. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

Thursday March 23, 2017

### **Alice Faye Stewart**

Jan. 24, 1944 - March 21, 2017

Faye Stewart, 73, Peru, graduated to heaven at 8 p.m. Tuesday, March 21, 2017, at Life Care Center, Rochester. Faye was born Jan. 24, 1944, in Peru. Faye went to be with our Heavenly Father surrounded by her loving family.

In her younger years, Faye worked at Miller's Merry Manor in Peru as a CNA. She loved to talk about Jesus, travel with family, mushroom hunt, fish and camp. She thoroughly enjoyed spending time with her family and would rescue any animal she came across.

Faye is survived by two sisters, Charlene Wright, Denver, and Darlene Hoyle, Peru. Jesus also blessed her with a full family: Brenda Rose, Peru; Dorothy Booth, Peru; Jeff Davis and wife Julie, Noblesville; Wayne Stewart, Peru; James Stewart and wife Aimee, Rochester; and Sam Smith and wife Jamie, Fishers. She is also survived by her life partner, Nathan Townsend, Peru; 15 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her daughter, Linda Smith, Peru; brother Donnie Sparks, Peru; and her parents, Omer and Dorothy Sparks, Peru.

“Thank you for being the best mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. You gave us everything and asked for nothing.”

A celebration of life will be Friday, March 23, 2017, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at New Life Church, 40 W. 50 N., Rochester. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to New Life Church in the name of James and Aimee Stewart for missions.

### **Ruby Robeson Stetson**

July 15, 1930 - March 21, 2017

Ruby Robeson Stetson, 86, Springfield, Ky., passed away at 9:15 a.m. Tuesday, March 21, 2017, at the Loretto Motherhouse, Loretto, Ky. A native of Rochester, she was born on July 15, 1930, to the late Lloyd and Mary Ulrich Robeson.

She was a graduate of Rochester High School and member of the Springfield Presbyterian Church where she worked in the church nursery for more than 40 years. She was the manager of the cafeteria at St. Dominic's School for 12 years.

Ruby was a 4-H volunteer and received the distinguished service award for her years of service and served as a hospice volunteer. She was the recipient of the Springfield-Washington County Chamber of Commerce “Citizen of the Year Award” in 1971.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Joie Ray Stetson, on May 28, 2008, and a son, Joe Ray Stetson, on Feb. 23, 1979. Survivors include her daughter, Mary Biggers, Clarksville, Tenn.; her son, David Stetson and his wife Linda, Union, Ky.; four grandchildren, Amy Biggers, Joseph Biggers, Sarah Stetson Smyth and Michael Stetson; and six great-grandchildren.



Her funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Friday, March 24, 2017, at the Springfield Presbyterian Church, with the Rev. Clay Stevens, the church's pastor, officiating. A graveside service will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, March 25, 2017, at the IOOF Cemetery in Rochester. Serving as honorary pallbearers will be Reco Bishop, Darnell Waters and Dr. Phil Billings. Casket bearers will be David Stetson, Michael Stetson, David Sagrecy, Don Bonzo, Steve Baker and Les Manley. Carey & Son Funeral Home in Springfield, Ky., is in charge of arrangements.

### **Harold L. Yazel**

June 18, 1925 - March 21, 2017

Harold L. Yazel, 91, Mentone, passed away at 8:49 p.m. Tuesday, March 21, 2017.

He was born on June 18, 1925, in Etna Green, to Clyde and Delta (Borton) Yazel. On Oct. 8, 1948, in Mentone, he married Ellanora M. Lantz. She preceded him in death on Nov. 16, 2001.

He was a tool and die maker for Mid-West Spring of Mentone for more than 45 years.

Harold was a 1943 graduate of Etna Green High School. He then served his country in the U.S. Army. His tour of service was in the Pacific theater during WWII. He was a lifelong member of the National Muzzle Loading Rifle Association as well as the National Rifle Association. He also was a member of the American Legion of Warsaw. He had been Mentone Town Clerk in years past. He was baptized in the Church of Christ in Etna Green in 1948. He enjoyed fishing and the geese at his home.

Survivors include his daughters, Rhonda and husband John Jewell, Akron, and Teresa and husband James Jones, Brookston; his son, Michael and wife June Yazel, Mentone; seven grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; two stepgreat-grandchildren; his brother, Rex and wife Maggie Yazel, Mentone; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; wife; and two grandsons.

His funeral service is at 11 a.m. Tuesday, March 28, 2017, at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone, with the Rev. Lynn Breeden officiating. Burial will be in Mentone Cemetery. Visitation is 4-7 p.m. Monday, March 27, 2017, at King Memorial Home, Mentone. Memorial contributions may be made to Kosciusko County Home Care and Hospice. Family and friends may share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

Friday March 24, 2017

No Obituaries

Saturday March 25, 2017

**David L. Ranstead**

David L. Ranstead, 60, Rochester, died Tuesday at home.

Survivors include his daughter, Staci Heinzmann; his son, Aaron Ranstead; his parents, Richard and Aletha Ranstead; a sister, Karen Fouts; and a brother, Rick Ranstead.

His funeral service is 10 a.m. Thursday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Wednesday and one hour prior to the service Thursday at the funeral home.

Monday March 27, 2017

**Richard C. Hiers**

Sept. 12, 1923 – March 24, 2017

Richard C. Hiers, 93, rural Akron, passed away at 6:04 p.m. Friday, March 24, 2017, at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

He was born on Sept. 12, 1923, in Miami County, to Elmer and Martha (Beeson) Hiers. On July 20, 1946, in Fort Wayne, he married Wanda D. Petterson. She passed away on Sept. 27, 2011.

He worked for the Shewman family in Peru in earlier years. He then for many years worked as a mechanic for South End Motors.

Richard was a U.S. Army veteran, serving in WWII. He enjoyed his small farm north of Akron in years past. Maintaining a very neat yard and garden was very important to him.

Survivors include his daughters, Norma Kay and husband Lynn Smith, Roann, Martha and husband Jerry Finney, Rochester, Wanda and husband Ron Bruner, Rochester, Connie and husband Gary Gerard, Elkhart, and Bonnie Gelbaugh, Warsaw; his sons, Richard Jr. and wife Judy Hiers, Niles, Mich., and Robert and wife Pam Hiers, Mentone; 18 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; and his brother, Donald and wife Bobbie Ann Hiers, Logansport. He was preceded

in death by his parents; his brothers, Elmer and Frederick Hiers; his sister, Margaret Shanabarger; and his son-in-law, Rex Utter.

His funeral service is 3 p.m. Tuesday, March 28, 2017, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Pastor Wanda Carter and speaker Michael Walters officiating. Burial will be in Athens Cemetery with graveside military rites being performed by the Fulton County Veterans Honor Guard. Visitation is 1-3 p.m. Tuesday, March 28, 2017, at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron. Memorial contributions may be made to the Fulton County Animal Adoption and Education Center. Family and friends may share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **David L. Ranstead**

March 1, 1957 – March 21, 2017

Mr. David L. Ranstead, 60, Rochester, passed away at 2:31 p.m. Tuesday, March 21, 2017, at his residence, following a valiant battle with cancer.

On March 1, 1957, David Lee Ranstead was born in Fulton County. He was the first son of Richard L. and Aletha M. McGee Ranstead. David was remembered as a wonderful big brother always looking out for his younger siblings, Rick and Karen. He answered to the nickname “Crow,” to his best school cronies. With great Zebra pride, David graduated from Rochester High School with the Class of 1975.

As a young businessman, Dave began his career at Wilt’s Grocery. Over the years, he remained in the food service industry as a manager for Rochester’s Dairy Queen, then as a sales representative for U.S. Food Service. Most recently, he greeted customers as manager of Warsaw’s Steak ’n Shake. He was also a member of the Manitou Moose Lodge Family Center 1107.

As a father, David was proud of Aaron and Staci. During their formative years, he helped them with 4-H projects. They also raised and showed pigs, chickens and rabbits under his supervision. Grandpa David adored his grandchildren. He looked forward to holidays and special family celebrations.

Passionate about agriculture, Dave maintained an orchard yielding a select variety of cherries, plums, peaches and apples. When his grandchildren visited, he would harvest the fruit and cut it up, ready to share the juicy treasures. Annually he planted a truck patch garden, sharing the bountiful harvest of asparagus, rhubarbs, beans, peppers and tomatoes with his family and special friends. David enjoyed the challenges of fish farming. He maintained special pools of the coveted tilapia.

At home in his kitchen command post, David loved to cook, bake and create custom dishes. In demand always were his apple dumplings and apple crisp. Also requested was his steaming hot chili. From his oven, came the best warm Amish bread. All of these talents were shared with his loving family.

Left to cherish the memory of David are his daughter, Staci Heinzmann and husband Stephen, Rochester; son Aaron Ranstead and wife Kalyn, Rochester; grandchildren Madison Kay Heinzmann, Mylee Kathline Heinzmann, Matilyn Marie Hildebrand, Adairus William Ranstead, Aleyna Fay Ranstead, and another blessing soon to arrive, Milan Lee Ranstead, all of Rochester; parents Richard and Aletha Ranstead, Rochester; a sister, Karen Fouts and husband Ric, Rochester; a brother, Rick Ranstead and wife Carrie, Rochester; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

A celebration of the life of Mr. David L. Ranstead will be at 10 a.m. on Thursday, March 30, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Friends may visit with the family from 4-8 p.m. on Wednesday, March 29, 2017, and one hour prior to the service Thursday at the funeral home. Interment will be in the Richland Center Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Riley Hospital for Children, 30 S. Meridian St., Suite 200, Indianapolis, IN 462043509, or the Fulton County Cancer Fund through the Northern Indiana Community Foundation, 715 Main St., Rochester, IN 46975. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Tuesday March 28, 2017

No Obituaries

Wednesday March 29, 2017

**Rita Ann Roberts**

Aug. 20, 1963 - March 25, 2017

Rita Ann Roberts, 53, passed away March 25, 2017, at Kindred Hospital, Louisville, Ky. She was born on Aug. 20, 1963, in Rochester to Jim and Delores Roberts.

Rita was a graduate of Warsaw Community High School and was a nurse for Warsaw Meadows, formerly Prairie View, for many years.

Survivors include a daughter; two sons; 11 grandchildren; and a brother, Dale E. (Judith) Roberts, Silver Lake. Along with her parents, a brother, Chuck Roberts, preceded her in death.

Visitation will be Wednesday, March 29, 2017, from 10 a.m. to noon, with a service to follow at Titus Funeral Home, Warsaw. Memorial gifts may be made to the family through the funeral home by making checks payable to Titus Funeral Home.

The staff of Titus Funeral Home considers it a privilege to care for the family and friends of Rita Roberts.

Thursday March 30, 2017

### **Robert L. Alderfer**

Robert L. Alderfer, 85, Yuba City, Calif., and formerly of the Richland Center and Burton communities, died Jan. 21, 2016, in Marysville, Calif.

Survivors include his wife, Betty Alderfer, Tuscon, Ariz.; his daughter, Kathy Beard, Vail, Ariz.; his sons, Mike Alderfer, Fort Worth, Texas, and Kevin Alderfer, Yuba City, Calif.; and his sisters, Lois Mathias, Rochester, and Wanda Arthur, Akron.

His funeral service is 11 a.m. Saturday at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Arrangements are handled by Hartzler Funeral Home.

### **Tressa Bowman**

Tressa Bowman, 49, Macy, died Monday at Memorial Hospital of South Bend.

Survivors include her mother, Delores Titus, Peru; her brothers, Donald R. Mosley Jr., and Raymond H. Mosley Sr.; and her sister, Tammy Hiles.

Visitation is 4-6 p.m. Friday at McClain Funeral Home.

### **Zachery A. Pierce**

Zachery A. Pierce, 27, Waukesha County, Wis., passed away Sunday in Milwaukee, Wis. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

Friday March 31, 2017

No Obituaries

Saturday April 1, 2017

**Eleanor Cavallaro**

Eleanor Cavallaro, 85, Fulton, died Wednesday at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

**Dale E. Hudson**

Dale E. Hudson, 78, Warsaw, died Thursday at Grace Village Retirement Community, Winona Lake.

Survivors include his daughters, Stephanie Kitson, Winona Lake, and Kathy Gonzales, Warsaw; and a brother, Donald Hudson, Gatlinburg, Tenn.

His funeral service will be at a later date. Arrangements are handled by King Memorial Home.

Monday April 3, 2017

No Obituaries

Tuesday April 4, 2017

**Joyce E. Morehouse**

Joyce E. Morehouse, 78, Michigan, and formerly of Macy, died Sunday at Spectrum Health Butterworth Hospital, Grand Rapids, Mich. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

**James V. Hott**

James V. Hott, 66, Kewanna, died Sunday at home. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

**Phyllis J. Clemans**

Phyllis J. Clemans, 60, Rochester, died Monday at home.

Survivors include her husband, Bob; a daughter, Donna J. Cassel, Warsaw; a son, Robert O. Clemans III, Rochester; a sister, Patricia Borden, Rochester; and two brothers, Daniel White Sr., Rochester, and Ricky White Sr., Rochester.

Her funeral service is 10 a.m. Thursday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 4-7 p.m. Wednesday and one hour prior to the service Thursday at the funeral home.

### **Sherri E. Ludwig**

Sherri E. Ludwig, 60, Plymouth, died Sunday at home.

Survivors include her daughter, Brooke Butler, Culver; her sons, Dr. Scott Ludwig, Middlebury, and David R. Ludwig, Plymouth; her brother, James Stahl, Plymouth; and her sister, Karen Obenchain, Plymouth.

Her funeral service is 7 p.m. Friday at New Song Community Church, 410 N. Kingston Rd., Plymouth. Visitation is 4 p.m. to the time of the service Friday at the church. Arrangements are handled by Earl-Grossman Funeral Home.

### **Dolores J. Bonnell**

May 1, 1929 - April 3, 2017

Dolores J. Bonnell, 87, Kewanna, passed away Monday, April 3, 2017, at her residence.

Born on May 1, 1929, in Logansport, she was the daughter of the late Richard Arthur and Helen (Morris) Grace. On June 28, 1947, in Logansport, she married Donald A. Bonnell Jr. He survives.

Dolores was a homemaker and a member of the Zion United Methodist Church of Lucerne and the Extension Homemakers Club.

Surviving along with her husband, Donald, are three daughters, Harriet (Doug) Middaugh, Kewanna, Donna (Jim) Mikesell, Delphi, and Mary Lou Youde, Phoenix, Ariz.; two sisters, Barb (Joe) Lewis, Kokomo, and Rosemary Vernon, Logansport; grandchildren Scott Michael, Logansport, Kathy (Marvin) Pierce, Pahrump, Nev., and Heather (Mark) Eastin, Phoenix, Ariz.; great-grandchildren Taylor Michael, Bryce Michael, Jakob Richardson, Shane Hoch, Emmett Eastin, and Ranger Eastin; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by a sister, Betty Ellars; and three brothers, Donald, Arthur and Ralph Grace.

A funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, April 6, 2017, at the Gundrum Funeral Home with Pastor Bruce Vernon officiating. Burial will follow in the Zion United Methodist Cemetery, Lucerne. Visitation will be from noon until the time of the service on Thursday at the Gundrum Funeral Home. Memorials may be made to the Zion United Methodist Church. Family and friends may sign Dolores' guest book online at [www.gundrumcares.com](http://www.gundrumcares.com).

## **Richard Dale Baber**

June 15, 1921 - April 2, 2017

Richard Dale Baber, 95, Peru, passed away at 2:32 a.m. on Sunday, April 2, 2017, at Blair Ridge Health Campus, Peru.

Born June 15, 1921, in Rochester, he was the first child of Roscoe C. and Golda F. Heckathorn Baber. He was married to Deloris Irene Morrison in 1946. She preceded him in death in 1950. He was then married in 1953 to Mary LaVerne Conner of Mexico.

After graduating from Rochester High School in 1937, he went on to study accounting at the International Business College, Fort Wayne. After completing his studies, he worked in a bank at Leiters Ford. He joined the United States Navy in 1942 and departed service in 1946 as a chief petty officer.

Post-World War II, he served in various positions before accepting a job with the United States Postal Service. Among those were working at Marathon Oil, Findlay, Ohio, and REMC, Rochester; managing the Macy Elevator; serving as assistant treasurer for Miami County; and being a sales representative for the Moorman feed company. In 1986, he retired as postmaster at Grissom Air Force Base.

Richard was an active member of the New Life United Methodist Church, Mexico, where he had served on the board of trustees and was a member of the United Methodist Men. He also served as a missions' volunteer on short-term mission trips to New Mexico and Puerto Rico. He was a member of the Indiana Freemasons, Masonic Lodge No. 347, Mexico; Mexico Lions Club; Miami County Historical Society; and Miami County Farm Bureau.

In addition to family and friends, his greatest joy came from using his John Deere Gator and lawn mower to maintain the 12 acres surrounding his home.

Survivors include his wife, Mary LaVerne Conner Baber, Peru; son Dennis (Olivia) Baber, Panama City, Fla.; daughter Linda (Tim) Foland, Lafayette; two sisters, Imogene Wilson, Rochester, and Betty Jo Benedict, Kokomo; six grandchildren, Aileen Everett, Jeremy (Allison) Baber, Brenda Baber, Wesley (Monica) Baber, Bethany (William) Gee, and Michael (Yi) Foland; 10 great-grandchildren, Joshua Orton, Jacob, Samuel, Ansley and Lukas Baber, Emma Claire, Grayson and Griffin Gee, and Terence and Julian Foland; and one great-great-granddaughter, Alice Orton.

His funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, April 6, 2017, at New Life United Methodist Church, Mexico, with Pastor John Meunier officiating. Burial with military rites will follow in Greenlawn Cemetery, Mexico. Visitation will be



from 4-7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 5, 2017, at the church. The family requests that memorial contributions be made to New Life United Methodist Church or Greater Lafayette Honor Flight. McClain Funeral Home, Denver, has been entrusted with arrangements. Condolences may be sent online at [www.mcclainfh.com](http://www.mcclainfh.com).

Wednesday April 5, 2017

### **Jerry Covington**

Jerry Covington, 78, Rochester, died Tuesday at home. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

### **Joshua A. Brugh**

Joshua A. Brugh, 37, Rochester, died Monday at home.

Survivors include his parents, Jim and Ronda, Rochester; a sister, Audra Lomba, Valley Center, Calif.; and two brothers, Jason A. Brugh, Flagstaff, Ariz., and James Brugh, Mishawaka.

A private family service will occur. Arrangements are handled by Good Family Funeral Home.

### **Phyllis Jean Clemans**

Nov. 8, 1956 - April 3, 2017

Mrs. Phyllis Jean Clemans, 60, Rochester, was surrounded by her loving family when she passed away at 4:50 a.m. Monday, April 3, 2017, at her residence. This followed a valiant battle with cancer.

On Nov. 8, 1956, in Fulton County, Phyllis Jean White was born. She was a treasured daughter of Walter B. and Mary Katherine Ispock White. Growing up, Phyllis shared her childhood with a sister, Patricia, and two brothers, Daniel Phyllis Clemans and Ricky.

In Wise, Va., on Dec. 3, 1972, Phyllis Jean married the love of her life Mr. Robert "Bob" Clemans Jr. They shared 45 years of life's adventures. From their union came two wonderful children Donna Jean and Robert Oliver III. The family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

A faithful member of the Whippoorwill Community Church for many years, Phyllis was baptized by the Rev. John Andrews at the Talma Baptist Church in

1987. She was also a member of the ladies auxiliaries of the VFW, American Legion and Eagles Lodge. Phyllis took great pride in helping her customers during the years that she served the Fourth Street mini-mart as assistant manager.

An artist, Phyllis expressed herself with acrylics, finishing a number of paint-by-number projects. She also enjoyed the art of latch-hook. Phyllis mastered many computer games. She also enjoyed keeping up with her many friends on Facebook.

Phyllis is lovingly remembered by her husband, Bob; a daughter, Donna Jean Cassel and husband Todd, Warsaw; a son, Robert Oliver Clemans III and wife Kacie, Rochester; seven grandchildren, Joseph Clemans, Jordan Buzzbee, Skyler Clemans, David Clemans, Eric Cassel, Craig Cassel, and Isaac Cassel; great-granddaughter Addyson Jade Clemans; great-grandson Joseph James Cassel, due to arrive in June; a sister, Patricia Borden, Rochester; two brothers, Daniel White Sr. and wife Jennifer, Rochester, and Ricky White Sr. and wife Annette, Rochester; father-in-law Robert E. Clemans Sr. and wife Mary, Edwardsburg, Mich.; sisters-in-law Judy Hoge, Silver Lake, Amy Brock, Elkhart, Mechelle Mares and husband Steve, Illinois, and Terry Littlefield and husband Joe, Elkhart; brothers-in-law Arden Clemans and wife Missy, Rochester, and Darrell Watts, Goshen; several nieces, nephews and cousins; and Misty, the blond-brown Pomeranian, and Precious, the domestic gray, long-haired Angora. Phyllis was preceded in death by her father, Walter in 1988; mother Mary in 2002; an infant granddaughter, Phyllis Jean "PJ" Clemans in 1996; grandson Christian Cassel in 2001; a sister-in-law, Carol Carlson; and three brothers-in-law, James Hoge, Donald Borden, and Louis Watts.

A celebration of the life of Mrs. Phyllis Jean Clemans will be at 10 a.m. on Thursday, April 6, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Pastor Brian Sewell will officiate. Friends may visit with the family from 4-7 p.m. on Wednesday and one hour prior to the service on Thursday at the funeral home. Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

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

**James V. Hott**

Dec. 20, 1949 – April 2, 2017

James V. Hott, 67, Kewanna, passed away at 3:25 p.m. Sunday, April 2, 2017, at his residence.

He was born on Dec. 20, 1949, in Pulaski County, the son of John V. and Mary Martha (Sensibaugh) Hott. On Sept. 17, 1970, in Denham, he married Rebecca "Becky" Field. She survives.

Mr. Hott had been a truck driver for many years, retiring from Ameri Co trucking in Bremen. He had been a member of the Indiana Volunteer Firefighters Association and retired from the Kewanna-Union Township Volunteer Fire Department. He enjoyed gardening, woodworking and telling jokes with his friends.

Survivors include his wife, Becky Hott, Kewanna; children Nicole "Nikki" Hott Lowry and companion Chuck Felda, Kewanna, Leslie and husband Aaron Henderson, Manheim, Pa., and James Paul Hott, Kewanna; grandchildren Amelia Lowry and Delaney Lowry, both of Kewanna, Alex and wife Jade Henderson, Manheim, Pa., Calvin Henderson, Manheim, Pa., and Victoria "Tori" Henderson, Manheim, Pa.; mother Mary Martha Hott, Rochester; brothers John "Jack" and wife Prudence Hott, Rochester, and Joseph and wife Gwen Hott, Kewanna; and sister Dianne Sheets, Akron. He was preceded in death by his father; sister Melody Sue Hott; and brother Michael Hott.

No service is scheduled at this time. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Memorial contributions may be made to the Kewanna-Union Township Volunteer Fire Department. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosh.com).

### **Joyce E. Mikesell Morehouse**

Nov. 18, 1938 - April 2, 2017

Joyce E. Mikesell Morehouse, 78, Clare, Mich., and formerly of Macy, passed away at 12:24 a.m. Sunday, April 2, 2017, at Spectrum Health Butterworth Hospital, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Joyce was born on Nov. 18, 1938, in West Branch, Mich., the daughter of Louis and Isabell (Short) Adams. She married Paul Mikesell in 1966. He preceded her in death in 1979.

Joyce had been a homemaker. She had been a member of Parents Without Partners and Perrysburg Baptist Church and had attended the Rochester Church of God. She enjoyed dancing, cooking and housekeeping.

Survivors include her daughters, Linda (Robert) Abrams, Michigan, Latona (Steve) McIntyre, Indiana, Dawn (Donald) Felton, Michigan, and JoEllen (Carlton)

Cover, Indiana; her son, Brian (Carolyn) Mikesell, Indiana; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She is also survived by her sisters, Betty Riddick Brown, Virginia, Pat (Michael) Sparks, Michigan, and Alberta Schrage, Michigan; and brother, Albert (Pat) Adams, Michigan. She was preceded in death by her parents.

Her funeral service will be at a later date. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Brothers Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Eleanor Cavallaro**

Eleanor Cavallaro, 85, Fulton, died March 29 at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Survivors include a daughter, Victoria Zellers, Rochester; a son, Vincent Cavallaro, Fulton; and two brothers, Robert Loffredi, Terre Haute, and Raymond Loffredi, Florida.

A private family service will occur. Arrangements are handled by Good Family Funeral Home.

Thursday April 6, 2017

### **Joshua Alex Brugh**

May 6, 1979 – April 3, 2017

Joshua Alex Brugh, 37, Rochester, was surrounded by his loving family when he passed away at 10:10 p.m. Monday, April 3, 2017, at his residence. This followed a courageous battle with a Grade 4 Glioblastoma brain tumor.

In Fulton County, on May 6, 1979, Joshua Alex Brugh was born. He was a treasured son of Jim and Ronda Hood Brugh. As one of the five Brugh children, he shared his childhood with a sister, Audra, and three brothers, Jason, Joel and Jim. During his high school years, he was a teammate and captain for the Culver Military Academy soccer team. He graduated from CMA in 1997.

Continuing his formal education, Joshua garnered academic scholarships and attended Wabash College. He later earned a degree as a registered nurse.

Before joining the nursing profession, he enjoyed the adventure and excitement of the ocean waters. Joshua trained and earned his captain's license and led charter fishing runs out of Seward, Alaska, 30 to 40 miles out into the ocean in search of halibut and other fish. One summer, Joshua served on a landing craft in

the Bering Sea, delivering heavy equipment to an island near the Russian coast. The job was a challenge in the rough, icy waters.

Joshua earned his certification as a scuba diver in Thailand. One winter, his special talents also took him to the Florida Keys to run fishing expeditions.

Left to cherish the memory of Joshua are his parents, Jim and Ronda, Rochester; a sister, Audra Lomba and husband Ray Anthony, Valley Center, Calif.; two brothers, Jason Brugh and wife Nicole, Flagstaff, Ariz., and Jim Brugh and wife Melissa, Mishawaka; nieces and nephews Addison Brugh, Tenaya Brugh, Zander Brugh, Jackson Hayes, Ashlyn Hayes, and Sierra Bryant and husband Justin; and great-nephew Ira. His maternal grandmother is Doris Hood, Rochester. Joshua was preceded in death by his brother, Joel Brugh, on July 28, 2009; his maternal grandfather, Kenneth Hood, on Oct. 2, 2004; and his paternal grandparents, Mildred Brugh, on Nov. 5, 2012, and Joseph Brugh, on Oct. 15, 2014.

A private family service will occur. Joshua will be laid to rest on the family plot at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Good Family Funeral Home of Rochester. Preferred memorials in lieu of flowers may be made through the NICF to the Fulton County Cancer Fund, 715 Main St., Rochester, IN 46975. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Beth A. Biggs**

Beth A. Biggs, 66, Rochester, died Wednesday at home. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

Friday April 7, 2017

### **Beth Biggs**

Beth Biggs, 66, Rochester, died Wednesday at home.

Survivors include her husband, Dave; two sons, Douglas A. Biggs, Ocala, Fla., and Gregory D. Biggs, New Palestine; two sisters, Brooks Thompson, Nashua, N.H., and Becka Egold, Greenwood; and a brother, Theodore E. Baldwin, Guntown, Miss.

Her funeral service is 10 a.m. Monday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 2-5 p.m. Sunday and one hour prior to the service Monday at the funeral home.

**Edith J. McNeeley**

July 31, 1934 – April 6, 2017

Edith J. McNeeley, 82, Akron, passed away at 2:59 a.m. Thursday, April 6, 2017, at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

She was born on July 31, 1934, in Newbern, Va., to Robert Roy and Betty E. (Hedge) King. On Feb. 5, 1954, in Pulaski, Va., she married Carlos “Douglas” McNeeley. He passed away on Oct. 4, 2003.

Edith was a homemaker. She was a graduate of Pulaski High School. She attended Silver Creek Church of God in Silver Lake and was a former member of the Moose Lodge in Rochester. She and her late husband were involved in many dance groups, including square dancing and ballroom dancing ones. She enjoyed trips to Blue Chip and Four Winds casinos with friends.

She was always known for handing out candy to her friends and family. Edith loved to sit on the porch and watch traffic.

Survivors include her son, C. David and wife Kelly McNeeley, Indianapolis; her grandchildren, Shane McNeeley, St. Paul, Minn., and Chanel Araiza and Austin Araiza, Indianapolis; and her sisters, Ruby Poore, Roanoke, Va., and Bonnie Harner, Hampstead, Md. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; and her brothers, Roy Robert, Hubert Donald and William Chester King.

Her funeral service is 3 p.m. Saturday, April 8, 2017, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Pastor Thomas Craig officiating. Burial will be in Shiloh Cemetery, Pulaski, Va. Visitation is 1-3 p.m. Saturday at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron. In lieu of flowers, Edith’s family requests that donations be made to Silver Creek Church of God. Family and friends may share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

Saturday April 8, 2017

**Beth Biggs**

Aug. 13, 1950 - April 5, 2017

Beth Biggs, 66, Rochester, passed away at 6:15 a.m. Wednesday, April 5, 2017, at her residence.

On Aug. 13, 1950, Beth was born in Fulton County. She was a treasured daughter of Thomas and Marion Louise Roudebush Baldwin. As the third oldest of the Baldwin children, growing up, she shared her childhood with two older sisters, Brooks and Becka, and a younger brother, Theodore.

Beth starred in almost any sport she tried and was a member of the pre-IHSAA days, RHS girls athletic association. She excelled especially with bowling, softball and basketball. Extraordinary in the game of horse, Beth was a sharpshooter with a flare for sinking basketballs from any location. With great Zebra pride, she graduated from Rochester High School with the Class of 1968. Throughout her adult life, she maintained a close relationship with her girlfriend group dubbed the "Super Seven."

In Lafayette, Tenn., on Oct. 20, 1974, Beth married the love of her life, David A. Biggs. They shared more than 42 years of life's adventures. Together they enjoyed hitting the links. Their favorite courses are Rochester's Mill Creek and Moss Creek near Winamac. They enjoyed eight seasons wintering in Punta Gorda, Fla. Autumn brought on the NFL season, and with her marriage to Dave, she became an avid Green Bay Packers fan.

In her earlier years, Beth served Rochester Ford as bookkeeper. She was a member of the ladies auxiliaries of the American Legion and Manitou Moose Lodge Family Center.

Left to cherish the memory of Beth are her husband, Dave; two sons, Douglas A. Biggs and wife Kelly, Ocala, Fla., and Gregory D. Biggs and wife Robin, New Palestine; four grandchildren, Katelyn E. Smith, Jady A. Biggs, Graham D. Biggs, and Avery D. Biggs; two great-granddaughters, Lili-Ann Fry and Dillon Fry; two sisters, Brooks Thompson and husband Bill, Nashua, N.H., and Becka Egold and husband Thomas, Greenwood; a brother, Theodore E. Baldwin, Guntown, Miss.; and several nieces and nephews. Beth was preceded in death by her parents, Thomas and Marion.

A celebration of the life of Beth Biggs will be at 10 a.m. on Monday, April 10, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Dr. Mark Spencer will officiate. Friends may visit with the family from 2-5 p.m. on Sunday and one hour prior to the service on Monday at the funeral home. Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Fulton County Cancer Fund through the Northern Indiana Community Foundation, 715 Main St., Rochester, IN 46975. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www. goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Mary M. Swartz**

Mary M. Swartz, 83, Rochester, died Thursday at Elkhart General Hospital. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

## **Jerry P. Covington**

Oct. 22, 1938 – April 4, 2017

Mr. Jerry P. Covington, 78, Rochester, passed away at 3:50 a.m. Tuesday, April 4, 2017, at his residence. This followed a valiant battle with cancer.

On Oct. 22, 1938, in Quitman, Miss., Jerry was born. He was the treasured son of Hubert and Clara Lou Burt Covington. Growing up, he shared his childhood with a brother, Jimmy.

In Rochester, on Oct. 20, 1990, Jerry married the love of his life, Linda Bailey. They enjoyed more than 26 years of life's adventures. Together they blended their families. The family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of two more generations.

Following high school, Jerry enlisted in the United States Navy. He served his country for more than two decades and spent many years as a Navy electrician. Jerry was a faithful member of the Rochester church of Christ, Manitou VFW Post 1343, Rochester, and the Leroy C. Shelton American Legion Post, Rochester. He worked at Kokomo's Chrysler Transmission Plant and was a local businessman and an entrepreneur.

Left to cherish the memory of Jerry are his wife, Linda, at home; five children, Melissa Steffan and husband Mike, Warsaw, Jacob Covington, and Gunnar Covington, both of Rochester, Steven Bailey and wife Angela, Fishers, and Mark Bailey and wife Angi, Fort Wayne; numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and his canine companion, Sparky. Jerry was preceded in death by his parents, Hubert and Clara; two sons, Patrick, in 1988, and Michael, in 1998; and a brother, Jimmy Covington.

Memorials may be made to the family to purchase memorial trees for his children. Additional monies would be used to purchase trees for a park or to be donated to the Wounded Warrior Project.

A private family service will occur in June 2017. Pastor Jimmy Dillinger will officiate. Military rites will be performed by the Fulton County Veterans Honor Guard and the United States Navy Honors Team. Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. The Good Family Funeral Home of Rochester has been entrusted with the arrangements. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Monday April 10, 2017

**Mary M. Swartz**



Mary M. Swartz, 83, Rochester, died Thursday at Elkhart General Hospital. Survivors include her husband, Roy Swartz, Rochester; her daughter, Sandra E. Van Tilburg, Middlebury; and her brother, John Baumgartner, South Bend. Visitation is noon-3 p.m. Saturday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

Tuesday April 11, 2017

**Connie S. Scharnhorst**

Connie S. Scharnhorst, 65, Rochester, died Monday at Life Care Center of Rochester. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home

**The Rev. Donald 'Don' Vincent Olmsted**

Oct. 1, 1925 - April 10, 2017

The Rev. Donald "Don" Vincent Olmsted, 91, Wynnfield Crossing, Rochester, passed away at 5:15 a.m. Monday, April 10, 2017, at his residence.

He was born on Oct. 1, 1925, in Charles City, Iowa, the son of Henry and Dorothy (Kelley) Olmsted. On Aug. 28, 1947, in Willis, Kan., he married Lora Lowe. She preceded him in death on Sept. 9, 2008.

The Rev. Olmsted had been a minister for the Wesleyan church, pastoring churches in Nebraska, Wisconsin and Indiana. He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II.

Survivors include his son, Stephen and wife Susan Olmsted, Rochester; five grandchildren; and daughter-in-law Bonnie Olmsted Peterson, Darby, Mont. He was preceded in death by his sons, David Olmsted, on April 28, 1996, and Daryl Olmsted on Aug. 28, 2001; and several brothers and sisters.

A private service will occur. Burial will be in the Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

**Mary Marie Baumgartner Swartz**

May 25, 1933 - April 6, 2017

Mary Marie Baumgartner Swartz, 83, Rochester, passed away on Thursday, April 6, 2017, at 4:16 p.m. at Elkhart General Hospital due to complications from heart surgery.

Born in her family's farmhouse in Jefferson Township, Elkhart County, to Lucille (Reid) and Homer Baumgartner on May 25, 1933, she spent her early years there with her great-grandmother. Due to family circumstances, she spent her teenage years in Milford.

Marie moved to South Bend after graduating high school and met Roy Swartz in their church's choir. They were married in September 1951. In 1956 the couple moved to Elkhart with their daughter. Marie worked in several businesses including Ball Band in Mishawaka and First Old State Bank and the license bureau in Elkhart. She also worked as an early female truck driver, delivering 60-foot trailers to many cities including Cleveland and Kansas City for her husband's business, while wearing high heels.

Marie and her husband moved to Rochester in the early '70s where she was a court bailiff and later a legal secretary. She sold Avon products for many years and was a lifetime member of the Fulton County Historical Society. Her many interests included genealogy, handwriting analysis, civic theater, reading and animals. She supported many animal organizations and was a vegetarian. Marie was a talented seamstress. As a contestant for three days on the TV game show "Password" in the early '70s, she wore her own creations playing with Bill Bixby and Lucie Arnaz. The show's host Allen Ludden's wife Betty White commented on Marie's beautiful outfits.

Survivors include her husband, Roy Swartz, Rochester; daughter Sandra Van Tilburg, Middlebury; son-in-law Robin Van Tilburg, Detroit; brother John and wife Nancy Baumgartner, South Bend; brother-in-law Nick Swartz, Valparaiso; and many nieces and nephews, including Lynn and Darlene Nelson, Rochester. She was preceded in death by her parents and sister Vivien Horner.

Friends may visit from noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, April 15, 2017, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Interment will follow at Athens Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Fulton County Animal Adoption and Education Center or the Humane Society of Elkhart County. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

Wednesday April 12, 2017

**Connie S. Scharnhorst**

Jan. 16, 1952 – April 10, 2017

Connie S. Scharnhorst, 65, Rochester, passed away at 1:40 p.m. Monday, April 10, 2017, at Life Care Center of Rochester.

She was born on Jan. 16, 1952, in Linton, the daughter of Roy Lee and Marquitta (Darr) Foster. On Oct. 23, 1999, in Rochester, she married Rick Scharnhorst. He preceded her in death on July 20, 2001.

Connie had worked at Life Care Center for many years and had worked for Margaritta's Restaurant. She had also been a caregiver for her grandmother, Pauline Easter, for many years. She had attended New Life Church and Antioch Baptist Church and had been a member of the Eagles Lodge, Moose Lodge, Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary and the American Legion Auxiliary.

She is survived by her mother, Marquitta McLochlin, Rochester, and aunt, Marilyn Kiesling, Logansport. She also is survived by her cousins, Pam and Dennis Grogg, whom she had grown up with. She was preceded in death by her father and brothers Tom Foster and Patrick McLochlin.

Her funeral service will be at a later date. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Memorial contributions may be made to the Fulton County Animal Adoption and Education Center. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Dennis E. Sanders**

Dennis E. Sanders, 72, Kewanna, died Sunday at Vibra Hospital of Fort Wayne. His funeral service will be private. Arrangements are handled by Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home.

Thursday April 13, 2017

### **Phyllis K. Stuart**

Phyllis K. Stuart, 83, formerly of South Bend, and Edwardsburg, Mich., passed away on April 11, 2017.

She is survived by her three children, Gary Stuart, Bruce (Toni Bilancia) Stuart and Jackie (Jerry) Machamer; 10 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Charles Stuart.

A private family service will occur. Arrangements are handled by Midwest Funeral Home & Cremation Society.

**David L. Stults Jr.**

David L. Stults Jr., 48, Argos, died Tuesday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Survivors include his wife, Jennifer Stults, Argos; his daughters, Samantha Simpson, Grovertown, and Jessica Gibbons, Argos; his father, David L. Stults Sr., Argos; his sister, Gayla R. Burger, Bremen; and his brother, Eric W. Stults, Middlebury.

His funeral service is 10 a.m. Saturday at Walnut Church of the Brethren, 5975 19th Road, Argos. Visitation is 3-8 p.m. Friday at the church. Arrangements are handled by Earl-Grossman Funeral Home.

Friday April 14, 2017

No Obituaries

Saturday April 15, 2017

**Eugene A. Koch**

Eugene A. Koch, 72, Rochester, died Thursday at Peabody Retirement Community, North Manchester.

Survivors include his wife, Janice; two daughters, Janelle Shanes, Rochester, and Angela Merley, Claypool; a son, David Koch, Rochester; and a sister, Nancy E. Trump, Tippecanoe.

His funeral service is 10 a.m. Tuesday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 4-7 p.m. Monday and one hour prior to the service Tuesday at the funeral home.

Monday April 17, 2017

**Marna Clouser**

Marna Clouser, 63, of rural Claypool, died Sunday at her residence. Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron.

**Eugene A. Koch**

May 6, 1944 – April 13, 2017

Mr. Eugene “Gene” Koch, 72, of Rochester, was surrounded by his loving family when he passed away at 9:39 p.m. Thursday, April 13, 2017, at Peabody Retirement Community of North Manchester.

In Rochester, on May 6, 1944, Eugene Arthur Koch was born. He was the treasured son of James Russell “Ted” and Frances E. Martin Koch. Growing up he shared his childhood with his sister Nancy Ellen. In 1963, Gene graduated with great Tiger pride from Talma High School. During his high school years, he played on the men’s basketball team and was remembered for his distance running events on the track team.

On September 10, 1966, in Rochester, Gene married his high school sweetheart, the love of his life and best friend, Janice Colleen Bryant. They shared over 50 years of life’s adventures. From their union came three wonderful children Janelle, Angela and David. The family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of seven grandchildren and a great-granddaughter.

With a passion for agriculture, Gene was happiest in the fall when the optimum time came for the bountiful harvest. He farmed over 300 acres of corn, wheat and soybeans. In his earlier years he enjoyed overseeing a fine herd of Charolaise cattle, hogs and some 4-H goats. His farm shop included a unique collection of wrenches and oil cans.

Gene attended the First Baptist Church of Rochester. As a member of the Fulton County Historical Power Association, Gene enjoyed showcasing his collection of antique John Deere tractors. He was especially proud of his restorative efforts of the 10-Series. Another membership he held was with the Rochester chapter of the International Order of Odd Fellows.

Each morning began with meeting his buddies for coffee at the men’s round table of the Craig Welding office. It was here that they shared the latest local news and solved the world’s problems. No day was complete without lunch at the VFW, while enjoying a cheeseburger and coke.

Paramount in his life was his family. Grandpa Gene was proud to oversee four generations. He loved the visits of the grandchildren and his new “great.” There was nothing better than being with family while celebrating the holidays and special gatherings.

Left to cherish Gene’s memory are his wife Janice; two daughters, Janelle Shanes and husband Jim, of Rochester, Angela Merley and husband Eric, of Claypool; a son, David Koch and wife Kristy, of Rochester; seven grandchildren, Tyler Skarbek, Jessie Skarbek, twins Maycee and Lillie Koch, Kennedie Brooks, Shay Merley, Kayla Merley; great-granddaughter, Natalee Ann Mooneyhan; a

sister, Nancy E. Trump and husband Robert, of Tippecanoe; mother-in-law, Rowena Bryant, of Rochester; and two nieces. Preceding Gene in death are his parents and father-in-law, Kenneth D. Bryant.

A celebration of the life of Gene Koch is 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 18, 2017, in the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Rev. Junior Bose and Dr. Mark Spencer will officiate. Friends may visit with the family from 4-7 p.m. Monday and one hour prior to the service in the funeral home Tuesday. Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Bethlehem Baptist Church, 3516 N. 650 East, Rochester, IN 46975, or First Baptist Church, 1000 Main St., Rochester, IN 46975. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Mark A. Marshall**

Mark A. Marshall, 57, Mentone, died Friday at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne. Arrangements are pending at King Memorial Home.

Tuesday April 18, 2017

### **Mark A. Marshall**

Mark A. Marshall, 57, Mentone, died Friday at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

Survivors include his wife, Kim Marshall, Mentone; his mother, Alice Marshall, Warsaw; his daughter, Anna Marshall, Mentone; his son, Scott Cox, Mentone; and his brothers, Tim Marshall, Warsaw, Randy Marshall, Warsaw, and David Marshall, Warsaw.

His funeral service is 11 a.m. Saturday at King Memorial Home. Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

### **Marna D. Clouser**

Marna D. Clouser, 63, Beaver Dam Lake, died Sunday at home.

Survivors include her husband, Michael Clouser, Beaver Dam Lake; her son, Damon Clouser, Beaver Dam Lake; and her brothers, Anthony Haneline, Yellow Creek Lake, and Dorrell Haneline, Fort McCoy, Fla.

Her funeral service is 6 p.m. Thursday at Hartzler Funeral Home. Visitation is 4 p.m. to the time of the service Thursday at the funeral home.

### **Virginia J. Lucht**

Virginia J. Lucht, 90, Warsaw, and formerly of Mentone, died Monday at Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw. Arrangements are pending at King Memorial Home.

Wednesday April 19, 2017

**Dennis L. Thompson**

Dennis L. Thompson, 74, Akron, died Tuesday at home. Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home.

**Virginia J. Lucht**

Virginia J. Lucht, 90, Warsaw, and formerly of Mentone, died Monday at Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw. Survivors include her son, H. Alan Lucht, Warsaw.

Her funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Friday at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone. Visitation is 6-8 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

**Doyle R. Flory**

Oct. 8, 1948 - April 17, 2017

Doyle R. Flory, 68, a resident of Tippecanoe, passed away unexpectedly on April 17, 2017, at 8:35 a.m. at his home.

Doyle was born the son of Arnold and Clarabel (Carey) Flory at Bremen on Oct. 8, 1948. He was a lifelong resident of the area. Doyle had worked for Wicks Lumber, helping to build pole barns, and for Kermida Environmental, doing air monitoring and maintenance of closed landfills, monitoring air quality.

He was a lifetime member of the NRA and the National Trappers Association, along with many state trapper associations. Doyle's enjoyments were fishing, trapping, mushroom hunting and anything having to do with environmental conservation efforts for the Department of Natural Resources.

Another passion was Camp Mollenhour where he helped with summer camps, teaching trapping seminars and about nature. He also attended Tippecanoe High School and then Triton High School, graduating with the Class of 1966. Doyle also served his country during the Vietnam War from 1969-1970.

Janie (Williams) became the bride of Doyle on April 20, 1968. She survives. He is also survived by his children, Jamie (Ann) Flory, Lakeville, Erin Flory, Plymouth, and Angi Flory, Argos. Doyle was also blessed with four grandchildren,

Conner, Dominic, Cooper and Logan; sisters Audrey Griffis, Burket, Rose (Herschel) Walters, Bourbon, and Lorraine (Tom) Devros, Tippecanoe; and brothers Jerry (Glenda) Flory, Tippecanoe, Duane (Kathy) Flory, Tippecanoe, and Lewis (Peg) Flory, Rochester. Doyle was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Anita Crawford; and a brother, Doug Flory.

The family will welcome friends on Thursday, April 20, 2017, from 4-8 p.m. and again on Friday from 10-11 a.m. at the Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, 115 S. Main St., Bourbon. His funeral service will be at 11 a.m. on Friday at the funeral home, with Pastor Robert Rice officiating. Burial will follow in the Richland Center Cemetery. The family asks that memorial contributions be given to Argos Emergency Medical Services or Camp Mollenhour, 10265 S. 600 W., Silver Lake, IN 46982.

Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home is privileged to be entrusted with arranging the services. Condolences may be left at [deatonclemensfh.com](http://deatonclemensfh.com).

Thursday April 20, 2017

### **Claude R. Kite**

Claude R. Kite, 55, Fort Wayne, and formerly of Logansport, passed away at 7:45 p.m. on Friday, April 14, 2017, at Englewood Health & Rehabilitation Center, Fort Wayne.

A son, Robert Kite, survives in Rochester.

The funeral service will be on Friday, April 21, 2017, at 11 a.m. at Kroeger Funeral Home, Logansport, with the Rev. Dean Snyder officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service Friday, from 10 a.m. until 11 a.m., also at the funeral home. Interment will follow at Mount Hope Cemetery. Family and friends may leave a memory or message of condolence by visiting Claude's online obituary at [www.kroegerfuneralhome.com](http://www.kroegerfuneralhome.com).

Friday April 21, 2017

### **Dennis L. Thompson**

Nov. 13, 1942 - April 18, 2017

Dennis L. Thompson, 74, Akron, passed away at 11:10 a.m. Tuesday, April 18, 2017, at his residence after being in failing health for the last 15 years.



He was born on Nov. 13, 1942, in Peru, to Francis L. “Whitey” and Kathryn A. (Fitzpatrick) Thompson. On June 16, 1964, in Rochester, he married Phyllis J. Craig. She survives.

He worked for Pike Lumber Company as a forklift driver for many years. He cherished his time at Pike’s and the friendships he made.

Dennis graduated from Akron High School in 1960. He served his country proudly in the U.S. Army and was a member of the Akron United Methodist Church. He was an avid sports fan of football, NASCAR, with Dale Earnhardt being his favorite driver, and especially basketball.

Survivors include his wife, Phyllis Thompson, Akron; his daughters, Angie and husband Jon Martin, Akron, and Robyn Thompson and spouse Molly Riddell, Denver, Colo.; his grandchildren, Maribeth Nelson, Marissa Reed and Jon Martin II.; his great-grandchildren, Kaia Martin and Jude Reed; and his brothers, Robert Thompson, Wabash, and Ronnie Thompson, Akron. He was preceded in death by his parents.

His funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Monday, April 24, 2017, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Pastor David Eaton officiating. His future final remembrance place will be at the Akron Cemetery. Visitation is 2-5 p.m. Sunday, April 23, 2017, at Hartzler Funeral Home. Memorial contributions may be made to Kindred Hospice, Rochester. Family and friends may share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Joey J. Kuykendoll**

Infant Joey J. Kuykendoll died April 14, 2017, at Memorial Hospital, South Bend.

Survivors include his parents, Rachel Stuff and Austin Hamilton, Mishawaka; his brother and sister, Osirys Parker and Isys Stuff, Mishawaka; and his great-grandmother, Patricia Kuykendoll, rural Rochester.

His funeral service is 2 p.m. Saturday at Odom Funeral Home, Culver. Visitation is 12:30 p.m. to the time of the service Saturday at the funeral home.

### **Michael Graham**

Michael Graham, 65, formerly of Rochester, died Wednesday at Hospice of St. Francis, Titusville, Fla. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

### **Minnie L. Gillum**

Minnie L. Gillum, 90, rural Mexico, died Wednesday at Miller's Merry Manor, Logansport.

Survivors include two daughters, Charlene Shafer, Peru, and Vickie Clontz, Bloomington; and one son, Dennis Gillum, Harrah, Okla.

Her funeral service is 2:30 p.m. Tuesday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver. Visitation is from 12:30 p.m. to the time of service Tuesday at the funeral home.

### **Michael L. Terry**

Michael L. Terry, 50, Fort Wayne, and formerly of Rochester, died Thursday at Visiting Nurse Hospice Home, Fort Wayne.

Survivors include his wife, Tiffany; two daughters, Leanne Markley, Rochester, and Maddlynn Terry, Fort Wayne; a son, Steven Terry, Rochester; his mother, Becky Vaughn, Rochester; his father, Edward Terry, Monticello; two sisters, Carleen Basham, Rochester, and Rebecca Perri, Delray Beach, Fla.; and a brother, Roger Terry, Rochester.

His funeral service is 11 a.m. Monday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 9 a.m. to the time of the service Monday at the funeral home.

Saturday April 22, 2017

### **Michael 'Mike' Lynn Terry**

April 12, 1967 – April 20, 2017

Mr. Michael "Mike" Lynn Terry, 50, Fort Wayne, and formerly of Rochester, passed away at 5:12 a.m. on Thursday, April 20, 2017, at Visiting Nurse Hospice Home, Fort Wayne.

In Corydon, on April 12, 1967, Michael was born. He was a treasured son of Edward and Becky Drake Terry. Growing up, he shared his childhood with two sisters, Carleen and Rebecca, and a brother, Roger.

On Jan. 18, 2007, Mike and Tiffany Wise were married in Rochester. As an engineer, Mike worked at Fulton Industries of Rochester and later for Busche of Fort Wayne. The great outdoors was Mike's favorite place. He enjoyed manicuring his lawn, but the beach was his favorite place to kick back and relax.

Left to cherish the memory of Mike are his wife, Tiffany; two daughters, Leanne Markley and husband Mat, Rochester, and Maddlynn Terry, Fort Wayne; a son, Steven Terry, Rochester; stepdaughter, Brooklyn Bradley, Fort Wayne; three grandchildren, Aden Lowe, and Curtis and Landon Markley; mother Becky Vaughn, Rochester; father Edward Terry and wife Linda, Monticello; two sisters,

Carleen Basham and husband Greg, Rochester, and Rebecca Perri, of Delray Beach, Fla.; a brother, Roger Terry and wife Judy, Rochester; and several nieces and nephews. Mike was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Carl and Rebecca Drake; paternal grandparents Leo and Heddie Terry; and his stepfather, John Vaughn.

A celebration of the life of Michael Lynn Terry will be at 11 a.m. on Monday, April 24, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Pastor Jerry Pitman officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 9 a.m. to the time of the service Monday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the Fulton County Cancer Fund through the Northern Indiana Community Foundation, 715 Main St., Rochester, IN 46975. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

**Mary M. Avery**

Mary M. Avery, 67, Kings Mountain, N.C., died Thursday at home.

Survivors include her sons, Ivan Avery, Houston, Texas, Bill Swango, Nappanee, and Joseph Swango, Kings Mountain, N.C.; her daughters, Elizabeth Avery, and Elaine Lemberg, both of Syracuse; her brother, Melvin Merrill, Rochester, and her sister, Nancy Anderson, South Bend.

Her funeral service is 11 a.m. Wednesday at El Bethel United Methodist Church, 122 El Bethel Road, Kings Mountain, N.C. Visitation will be private. Arrangements are handled by Greene Funeral Service.

Monday April 24, 2017

**Michael W. Graham**

Michael W. Graham, 65, Mims, Fla., and formerly of Rochester, died Wednesday at Hospice of St. Francis, Titusville, Fla.

His funeral service is 11 a.m. Wednesday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 10 a.m. to the time of the service Wednesday at the funeral home.

**John M. Krikava Jr.**

John M. Krikava Jr., 59, Knox, died Saturday at Life Care Center of Rochester. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

Tuesday April 25, 2017

**Arnold E. Bell**

Arnold E. Bell, 78, Rochester, died Friday at Visiting Nurse Hospice Home, Fort Wayne. Arrangements are pending at Cremation Services of Kosciusko County.

**Kyle Phillips**

Kyle Phillips, 36, Plymouth, and formerly of Rochester, died Monday at home. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

**John M. Krikava Jr.**

John M. Krikava Jr., 59, Knox, died Saturday at Life Care Center of Rochester.

Survivors include his son, John Krikava III., Hobart; and his brother, Jerry Krikava, Knox.

No service is scheduled at this time. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

Wednesday April 26, 2017

**Jessie E. Davenport**

Jessie E. Davenport, 30, Fargo, N.D., and formerly of Rochester, died Sunday in Fargo, N.D. Arrangements are pending at McClain Funeral Home.

**Charles H. Ross**

Charles H. Ross, 61, Plymouth, died Sunday at home.

Survivors include his daughter, Rhonda Swartz, Colorado; and his sisters, Rhonda Vires, Argos, Patti Ross, Plymouth, and Cheryl Snyder, Bourbon.

His funeral service is 2 p.m. Friday at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos. Visitation is noon to the time of the funeral Friday at the funeral home.

**Christopher K. Phillips**

Christopher K. Phillips, 36, Plymouth, and formerly of Rochester, died Monday.

Survivors include his parents, Ted and Victoria Phillips, Rochester; and two sisters, Laura Goss, Rochester, and Amanda Levy, Chicago.

His funeral service is 10 a.m. Friday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 4-7 p.m. Thursday and 9 a.m. to the time of the service Friday at the funeral home.

Thursday April 27, 2017

**Iris Davis**

Iris Davis, 91, Mentone, died Wednesday at Miller's Merry Manor, Warsaw. Arrangements are pending at King Memorial Home.

**James M. Converse**

James M. Converse, 78, Deedsville, died Tuesday at Dukes Memorial Hospital, Peru.

Survivors include his wife, Margot Converse, Deedsville; children Patricia A. Davis, James N. Converse, Thomas W. Converse, and John P. Converse, all of Miami County; and one sister, JoAnn Yates, Elkhart.

His funeral service is 4 p.m. Friday at The Cross church, Rochester. Visitation is 2 p.m. to the time of the service Friday at the church. Arrangements are handled by McClain Funeral Home.

**Shirley A. Vanata Watrous**

May 26, 1941 - April 25, 2017

Shirley A. Vanata Watrous, 75, Plymouth, died on April 25, 2017, at 10:40 a.m. at Miller's Merry Manor, Plymouth, where she had been in declining health over the past couple of years.

She was born on May 26, 1941, in Rochester, to Loflee B. Vanata and Violet D. (Milliser) Vanata. She had lived all of her life in the Marshall and Fulton county areas.

In July 1961, she married Roger Thayer; they later divorced. She then married Emory D. Watrous on Sept. 23, 2012, in Argos. Emory preceded her in death on Feb. 20, 2016.

Shirley was a homemaker and housewife and had worked at Ristance Corp. in Argos. Later, she ran Shirley's Day Care in Rochester. She was a graduate of Argos High School with the Class of 1959 and a past member of the Walnut Ruralettes Home Ec. Club.

Shirley is survived by her sons, Todd A. Thayer and wife Tawnya, Argos, and Tracy Thayer and wife Marilyn, Argos; her daughter, Janelle Thayer and

partner Sherri Walker, Indianapolis; three grandchildren, Michael Thayer and wife Ashley, Argos, Tucker Thayer and wife Alyssa, Argos, and Brooke Kraemer and husband Cody, Clay City; two great-grandchildren, Kyndra Thayer and Duncan Thayer; her sister, Joyce Thomas and husband Pat, Etna Green; and her brother-in-law, Loren Voreis, Culver. She was preceded in death by her parents and sister Bonnie Voreis.

Friends may visit with the family on Friday, April 28, 2017, from 5-8 p.m. at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos. Her funeral service will be on Saturday, April 29, 2017, at 10 a.m. at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, with the Rev. Robert E. Rice Jr. of the Walnut Church of the Brethren, Argos, officiating. Burial will follow at the Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos. Memorial contributions may be made to the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, 112 S. Center St., Suite C., Plymouth, IN 46563, or Prevent Child Abuse Indiana; 3833 N. Meridian St., Suite 101, Indianapolis, IN 46208.

### **Kyle Phillips**

March 7, 1981 - April 24, 2017

Former Rochester resident, Mr. Kyle Phillips, 36, Plymouth, passed away at 1:38 p.m. on Monday, April 24, 2017.

On March 7, 1981, in Rochester, Christopher Kyle Phillips was born. He was the treasured son of Ted C. and Victoria J. Langenbahn Phillips. As the youngest of the Phillips children, growing up, he shared his childhood with two sisters, Laura and Amanda.

During Kyle's high school years, he was a right-handed pitcher for the Zebras baseball team. With great pride, he graduated from Rochester High School in 1999. Following high school, Kyle went to Indiana University South Bend where he studied criminal justice, earning a bachelor's degree in 2003.

During his formative years, Kyle enjoyed annual autumn trips with his family to explore Brown County. He hosted his high school buddies, gathering around the pool and grilling out. Kyle was always up for a challenge, playing Trivial Pursuit and other board games with his family. Prior to the purchase of appliances, he would do research on the internet and read consumer reports. Whether it was at the family pool, the Dunes or on the beach, Kyle loved the warmth of the sunshine and water activities.

Remembered by classmates as the life of the party, Kyle possessed an extraordinary ability to add comedy, laughter and an assortment of fresh practical jokes. With twinkling green eyes and a radiant smile, his sense of humor could

light up a room. If there was an adventure on the radar, Kyle was ready to go, whether it was local or to the nearest amusement park to ride the coasters.

Heading out on the open road was a favorite way Kyle enjoyed relaxing. These spontaneous road trips might be for an evening ride or consume the entire weekend. Climbing aboard his yellow and black Honda motorcycle allowed him the freedom of catching the warm summer breezes. Kyle took great joy in cheering for the Colts, NASCAR and Indiana University. With an appetite for politics, he intently watched cable news, Stephen Colbert, Bill Maher and Chris Matthews. Always at his side was his faithful canine companion, George.

An avid reader, Kyle owned a collection of books authored by Mitch Albom. Among them was his favorite, "The Five People You Meet in Heaven." He enjoyed all types of music, with the volume cranked. Tears For Fears was his group of choice, with his favorite song of theirs being "Everybody Wants to Rule the World."

Paramount in Kyle's life was his family. Grilling out poolside was his forte, including sharing some of his patented standup comedy. Hanging out like three amigos with his brothers-in-law supplied a special camaraderie, many memories and great fun. Brian was his rock, while David served as his partner in crime.

There was never a dull moment as awareness was heightened for the next practical joke that was about to be played. As a doting uncle, Kyle adored and admired Graeme and Gabby. He was always there for them, and their admiration was mutual.

Left to cherish the memory of Kyle are his parents, Ted and Victoria Phillips, Rochester; two sisters, Laura Goss and husband Brian, Rochester, and Amanda Levy and husband David, Chicago; niece Gabriella Goss and nephew Graeme Goss, both of Rochester; two aunts and uncles, Karen Hendry and husband Kevin, Gulfport, Miss., and Helen Durkes and husband Tim, Rochester; several cousins; and his canine companion, George, the special custom-blend. Kyle was preceded in death by all of his grandparents.

A celebration of the life of Mr. Christopher Kyle Phillips will be at 10 a.m. Friday, April 28, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Chaplain Jason See will officiate. Friends may visit with his family from 4-7 p.m. on Thursday and an hour prior to the service Friday at the funeral home. Kyle will be laid to eternal rest at Rochester's IOOF Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the American Diabetes Association, 30 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago, IL 60602. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

## **Jessie Elise Davenport**

April 27, 1986 - April 23, 2017

Jessie Elise Davenport, 30, formerly of Rochester, passed away at Sanford Hospital, Fargo, N.D., on Sunday, April 23, 2017.

Born April 27, 1986, in South Bend, she was the daughter of Charles Phillip Davenport and the former Linda Jo Blue. Jessie was a Christian and had attended the Presbyterian church and First Baptist Church in Rochester. She graduated from Rochester High School in 2004 before attending Indiana University Kokomo, where she received an Associate of Arts degree in music and a Bachelor of Science in infomatics.

She is survived by her father and stepmother, Phil and Sandy Davenport, Osceola; brother Joseph Davenport and wife Jackie, Harwood, N.D.; sister Jodie Davenport, Fargo, N.D.; niece and nephew Kaily and Kaiden Davenport; grandmother Mary Pickett, Elkhart; aunts and uncles Connie and Jim Stout, Elkhart, Kathy Goudy, Ohio, Greg and Theresa Blue, Fifield, Wis.; cousins Katie Schilling and Kelly Blue, Wendy and PJ Bernth, and Missy and Scott Craver; and close personal friends, Nathan, Rob, and Carla Lien. She was preceded in death by her grandparents, Bob and Marge Blue; mother Linda Jo Davenport, and uncle Ron Goudy.

Her funeral service will be at noon Saturday, April 29, 2017, at McClain Funeral Home, Denver, with the Rev. Dr. Mark Spencer officiating. Burial will follow in Mt. Hope Cemetery, Peru. Visitation will be from 10 a.m.-noon Saturday, April 29, 2017, at the funeral home. While Jessie fought a long and difficult battle with lupus, she always managed to keep a positive attitude towards life. She requested a Disney-themed final service to celebrate her life, and the family requests that those paying their final respects remember Jessie by wearing something Disney-related. The online guest book can be signed at [www.mcclainfh.com](http://www.mcclainfh.com).

Friday April 28, 2017

## **Duane E. Thompson**

Duane E. Thompson, 62, Mentone, died Wednesday at home.

Survivors include his wife, Betty J. Thompson, Mentone; two sons, Kyle Thompson, Akron, and Cale Thompson, Mentone; his parents, Earl and Ruby



Thompson, Claypool; his brother, Bill Thompson, Claypool; and his sister, Peg Bailey, Bloomington.

His funeral service is 7 p.m. Monday at King Memorial Home, Mentone. Visitation is 3-7 p.m. Monday at the funeral home.

### **Iris M. Davis**

Iris M. Davis, 91, Mentone, died Wednesday at Miller's Merry Manor, Warsaw.

Survivors include two daughters, Beverly Faulker, Winona Lake, and Debra Garee, Mentone; and her sister, Lois Miller, Mentone.

Her funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Monday at King Memorial Home, Mentone. Visitation is 2-5 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

Saturday April 29, 2017

### **James R. Zepik**

James R. Zepik, 74, Kewanna, died Thursday at IU Hospital, Indianapolis. Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home.

Monday May 1, 2017

### **Cassandra E. Delf**

Dec. 1, 2003 - April 27, 2017

Cassandra "Cassie" Elise Delf, 13, Hamilton, died Thursday, April 27, 2017, at Helen DeVos Children's Hospital.

As part of her love for music, Cassie enjoyed playing her clarinet in the Holland Middle School Marching Band. She also had great interest in art, reading, writing, volleyball and soccer. She loved animals, including her cat Brystol. She faithfully attended St. Peter's Catholic Church in Douglas, Mich. Cassie loved being around her friends from Hamilton and Holland Christian Schools.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents Donald Sr. and Anna Delf and Lawrence Owens. She is survived by parents Dale and Vonda Delf, of Hamilton; brother Wyatt Delf and sister Regina Delf; grandmother, Vada Owens, of Plymouth; and numerous loving aunts, uncles and cousins.

Her funeral service is 11 a.m., Wednesday, May 3, 2017, at St. Peter Catholic Church, 100 Peter Drive, Douglas, Mich. Father Patrick Collins will be

officiating. Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery in Saugatuck. Visitation is 4-8 p.m., Tuesday, May 2, 2017, at St. Peter Catholic Church. Arrangements are by Dykstra Funeral Home – Downtown Chapel. To sign an online registry or leave a memory, visit [www.dykstrafuneralhome.com](http://www.dykstrafuneralhome.com).

### **Don L. Fenstermaker**

Don L. Fenstermaker, 62, Rochester, died Saturday at Memorial Hospital of South Bend. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

### **Robert A. Webster**

Robert A. Webster, 73, of rural Etna Green, died Saturday at Warsaw Meadows Care Center. Arrangements are pending at King Memorial Home, Mentone.

Tuesday May 2, 2017

### **Iva May Pratt**

Jan. 8, 1928 - May 1, 2017

Iva May Pratt, 89, Winamac, went home to be with the Lord at 9:25 a.m. Monday, May 1, 2017, after a brief illness. She passed away at Hickory Creek in Winamac surrounded by her family.

Iva was born Jan. 8, 1928, in Kingman, Kan., to the late Keith and Daisy Rippey Leland. She was a 1946 graduate of West High in Plymouth. On Jan. 30, 1953, she married the love of her life, Melvin Pratt in Erding, Germany. He survives.

Iva was a member of St. Peter's Catholic Church in Winamac and formerly a member of St. Anne's Catholic Church in Monterey, where she had been active in religious education.

Iva enjoyed the outdoors, especially gardening and nature walks. She was a devoted homemaker who had a knack for baking pies and canning. Iva was nurturing and loving to everyone, especially her family. She will be dearly missed by those who knew and loved her.

She is survived by her husband, Melvin Pratt; her sons, John (Nancy) Pratt, Michael (Lisa) Pratt, Daniel (Annette) Pratt, Mark (Judy) Pratt, Dominic Pratt, and Matthew (Carla) Pratt; her daughters, Lisa (Dennis) Day, Regina Waits, and Maria (Jim) Nicolas; 29 grandchildren; 35 great-grandchildren; a brother, Robert (Karen)

Leland; a sister, Mary Meyer; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in by death by her parents, Keith and Daisy Rippey Leland; a great-grandson, Waylon Cox; her brothers, Jack Leland, John Leland, Keith Leland Jr., and Donald Leland; and her sisters, Norma Serrato, Wanda Brown, and Anita Leland.

A Funeral Mass will be at 10 a.m. EDT Friday, May 5, 2017, at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Winamac with the Rev. Leroy Kinnaman officiating. Visitation will be from 4:30-7:30 p.m. EDT Thursday, May 4, 2017, at Frain Mortuary in Winamac. The Rosary will be recited at 4 p.m. EDT Thursday and a Scriptural Wake Service will be held at 7:30 p.m. EDT Thursday at the funeral home. Burial will take place at Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Peter's Catholic Church, St. Anne's Catholic Church or to a charity of the donor's choice.

### **Robert A. Webster**

Robert A. Webster, 73, rural Etna Green, died Saturday at Warsaw Meadows Care Center.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Webster, Etna Green; his daughters, Kimberly Blick, Warsaw, and Michelle McDonald, Satellite Beach, Fla.; and his son, Vincent Webster, Crystal Lake; his sisters, Sharon Palmer, Warsaw, Marcia Birden, Rochester, and Patricia Parton, Roanoke; and his brother, Gary Webster, Noblesville.

His funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Thursday at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone. Visitation is 3-7 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

### **Ronda Joy Holloway**

Dec. 21, 1964 - April 30, 2017

Ronda Joy Holloway, 52, Athens, passed away at 9:25 p.m. Sunday, April 30, 2017, at her residence with her loving family surrounding her.

She was born on Dec. 21, 1964, in Marion, to Ronald E. and Jacqueline L. (Magers) Neeley. Ronda lived in Warsaw and graduated from Warsaw High School with the Class of 1982. She then graduated from Grace College in 1987 and became a registered nurse. She worked at KCH, Warsaw; Milford Nursing Home; Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester; Dukes Memorial Hospital, Peru; and the Juvenile Children's Hospital, Logansport.

She is survived by her loving husband of 27 years, Steven R. Holloway, Rochester; daughter Danica N. (Steven) Henry, Las Vegas, Nev.; son Andrew S. (Jackie) Holloway, Rochester; mother Jacqueline Neeley, Warsaw; brothers Steve

(Melanie) Neeley, Fort Wayne, Mark Neeley, Warsaw, and Christopher (Robin) Neeley, South Whitley; sister Shelley (Gary) Kunkle, North Webster; and two grandchildren, Miriam and Elliot; and a grandson on the way. She was preceded in death by her father, Ronald E. Neeley.

Visitation will be on Thursday, May 4, 2017, from 2-4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. at DeMoney-Grimes, a Life Story Funeral Home, 600 Countryside Drive, Columbia City. Her funeral service will be on Friday, May 5, 2017, at 10 a.m. at the funeral home. A committal service and burial will follow at Oakwood Cemetery, Warsaw. Memorial gifts may be given in Mrs. Holloway's memory to Cancer Services of NE Indiana. To leave a condolence or read her entire life story, please log on to [www.demoneygrimes.com](http://www.demoneygrimes.com).

### **Don L. Fenstermaker**

Don L. Fenstermaker, 62, Rochester, died Saturday at Memorial Hospital, South Bend.

Survivors include his wife, Annette Fenstermaker, Rochester; his children Kylee Fenstermaker, Rochester, Caleb Fenstermaker, Rochester, and Taylor Fenstermaker, Rochester; his mother Joanne Phelan, Orland Park, Ill.; his sisters, Nancy J. Jacoby, Hickory Hills, Ill., and Lori Biernacki, Hickory Hills, Ill.; and his brother, William L. Fenstermaker, Zimmerman, Minn.

A memorial service is 6 p.m. Friday at Faith Outreach Center, Rochester. Visitation is 5 p.m. to the time of the service Friday at the church. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

### **James R. Zepik**

James R. Zepik, 74, Kewanna, died Thursday at IU Hospital, Indianapolis.

Survivors include his wife, Merry Zepik, Kewanna; his brother, Ronald Zepik, Michigan City; and his sister, Darlene Kear, Fort Wayne.

No funeral service will occur. Arrangements are handled by Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home & Cremation Services.

### **Opal J. Bradley**

Opal J. Bradley, 89, North Manchester, died Sunday at Miller's Merry Manor, Warsaw.

Survivors include three sons, Robert Bradley, Warsaw, Bill Bradley, Warsaw, and Bruce Bradley, Warsaw; two daughters, Bonnie Enyeart, North Manchester, and Barbara Bradley, North Manchester; three brothers, Jack

McKenzie, Warsaw, Earl J. McKenzie, Warsaw, and Larry McKenzie, Oakland, Kan.; and four sisters, Vada Whitaker, Warsaw, Erma Brandon, Warsaw, Edith West, Warsaw, and Ethel Stone, Argos.

Her funeral is 2 p.m. Wednesday at McKee Mortuary, 1401 Indiana 114 West, North Manchester. Visitation is noon to the time of the service Wednesday at the funeral home.

### **David L. Sult**

May 15, 1960 - April 30, 2017

David L. Sult, 56, Rochester, passed away unexpectedly on April 30, 2017, after a sudden illness.

He was born on May 15, 1960, in Rochester to William and Diana (Wagoner) Sult. He married Brandy Dust on May 15, 2015. She survives.

David loved being outdoors, gardening, camping and hanging out by his pond. He was a simple guy with an odd sense of humor, but truly enjoyed spending time with family and friends and never knew a stranger. He would give the shirt off his back to help anyone he could.

David is survived by his wife, Brandy, Rochester; his mother, Diana Sult, Rochester; two brothers, Mark Sult, Warsaw, and Brian Sult, Akron; a niece, Krista Gill, Indianapolis; a nephew, Jared Sult, Plymouth; his father-in-law, Chris Dust, San Pierre; and mother-in-law Vickie Dust, Rochester. David was preceded in death by his father, William, in 2013.

A private family service will occur at a later date. Arrangements are handled by Heritage Funeral and Cremation Services, Warsaw.

Wednesday May 3, 2017

### **Rosetta Stout**

Rosetta Stout, 78, Logansport, died Monday at home. Arrangements are pending at Marocco-Rans Funeral Chapel.

### **Violet M. Jones**

Violet M. Jones, 98, Logansport, died Tuesday at Miller's Merry Manor, Logansport. Arrangements are pending at Kroeger Funeral Home.

### **Martha Irene Barnes**

Jan. 29, 1918 - May 2, 2017

Martha Irene Barnes, Warsaw, passed away quietly in the early hours of Tuesday, May 2, 2017, at Miller's Merry Manor, Warsaw. She was 99. Martha was born on Jan. 29, 1918, in Sidney to Charles and Flossie (Johnson) Leiter. She spent most of her lifetime in Kosciusko County.

On Oct. 13, 1935, she was married to Howard "Barney" Barnes in Pierceton. The two would share 64 years together before his passing on May 31, 2000.

Along with several other jobs, Martha was a cashier at Owen's in Warsaw, retiring in 1980. She was a longtime member of First Baptist Church and had been active there as a senior ambassador. She enjoyed quilting, crocheting and flower gardening. She was a strong-willed person with a good heart, often visiting the ill and shut-ins with her dog, Muffin.

Those who survive include her son, Jerry (Betty) Barnes, Rochester; four grandsons, David (Teresa) Barnes, Columbia City, Rodney (Ethel) Barnes, Warsaw, Craig (Ginger) Barnes, Warsaw, and Tony (Deb) Barnes, Warsaw; two stepgranddaughters, Debbie (Robert) Croussore, Rochester, and Peggy (Tim) Bailey, Tippecanoe; two great-grandchildren, Braxton Barnes, Warsaw, and Kristen (Ryan) Connor, Hawaii; a great-great-granddaughter, Alexa Connor, Hawaii; a brother, Max (Doris) Leiter, Sidney; several stepgreat-grandchildren and stepgreat-great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews. In addition to her husband, Barney, those who preceded Martha in death include her parents, Charles and Flossie; two brothers, Raymond and Eugene Leiter; and a sister, Deloris Gaff.

A funeral service celebrating her life will occur on Friday, May 5, 2017, at 1 p.m. at Titus Funeral Home, 2000 E. Sheridan St., Warsaw, with First Baptist's Pastor Steve Rahn officiating. Visitation will occur for two hours prior to the service, with burial following in Oakwood Cemetery. Memorial gifts may be directed to the Missions Fund at First Baptist Church, 2819 Patterson Road, Warsaw, IN 46582.

The staff of Titus Funeral Home considers it a privilege to care for the family and friends of Martha Irene Barnes.

Thursday May 4, 2017

**Violet M. Jones**

Aug. 4, 1918 - May 2, 2017

Violet M. Jones, 98, Logansport, passed away at 3:30 a.m. on Tuesday, May 2, 2017, at Miller's Merry Manor, Logansport.

Born in Logansport on Aug. 4, 1918, she was the daughter of Vito and Josephine Pallenino Selvio. On March 15, 1947, she was married to Alva J. Jones. He preceded her in death on Sept. 16, 1996.

Violet was retired from White-Rogers/ RBM Manufacturing. She enjoyed gardening, especially roses, and crocheting, and was proud of her home. She especially enjoyed visiting with her grandsons and great-nieces.

Surviving are a daughter, Deborah (Stu) Youngstrom, Rochester; grandsons Tyler Kim Youngstrom and Logan Scott Youngstrom; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by five brothers, Ike Selvio, Tony Selvio, Mike Selvio, John Selvio and Joe Selvio; and a sister, Mary Terrell.

Visitation will be from noon-2 p.m. on Friday, May 5, 2017, at Kroeger Funeral Home, Logansport. The funeral service will be at 2 p.m. on Friday, also at the funeral home, with Father Dominic Petan officiating. Entombment will be in Ever-Rest Memorial Park. Memorial contributions may be made to Guardian Angel Hospice or any favorite charity. Family and friends may leave a memory or message of condolence by visiting the online obituary at [ww.kroegerfuneralhome.com](http://ww.kroegerfuneralhome.com).

### **Carol J. Lewis**

Carol J. Lewis, 76, Rochester, died Tuesday at home. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

Friday May 5, 2017

### **Lana S. Blanchard**

Lana S. Blanchard, 68, Rochester, died Thursday at Life Care Center of Rochester. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

Saturday May 6, 2017

### **Carol J. Lewis**

Carol J. Lewis, 76, Rochester, died Tuesday at home. Survivors include a daughter, Anita Lewis, Rochester.

A private service will occur. Arrangements are handled by Good Family Funeral Home.

### **Lana S. Pitcock-Blanchard**

Lana S. Pitcock-Blanchard, 68, Rochester, died Thursday at Life Care Center of Rochester.

Survivors include her children, Lauri Mack, Albany, and Scott Blanchard, Paige, Texas; her sisters, Janie Smart, Claremore, Okla., and Judy Davis, Rochester; and her brother, Jack Winegardner, Gilead.

Her memorial service is 10:30 a.m. May 20, 2017, at the Fulton County Equestrian Center, 1157 W. Third St. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

Monday May 8, 2017

### **Philip D. Riggle**

Aug. 28, 1949 – May 5, 2017

Philip D. Riggle, 67, Albany, Ky., and longtime Fulton area resident, passed away at 6:51 p.m. Friday, May 5, 2017, at his residence in Albany, Ky.

He was born on Aug. 28, 1949, in Rochester, the son of Charles B. Jr. and Donna (Thomas) Riggle. On Sept. 11, 1976, in Marshtown, he married Bonita L. Moore. She survives.

Phil had worked for the CSX Railroad and retired from the Dana Corp. as a machinist. In his younger years, he had attended the Fulton Baptist Temple. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, trapping, hunting for arrowheads and cooking.

Survivors include his wife, Bonita L. Riggle, Albany, Ky.; sons Chad and wife Flavia Riggle, Salvador, Bahia, Brazil, and Eric and wife Rebecca Riggle, Byrdstown, Tenn.; granddaughter Ana Beatriz Riggle, Salvador, Bahia, Brazil; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; brother John Riggle; sister Connie Jean Mancini; and stepgrandson Jedediah Criswell.

His funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, May 10, 2017, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with the Rev. Aaron McCombs officiating. Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Tuesday and one hour prior to the service Wednesday at the funeral home. Interment will take place in the Grass Creek Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Kewanna Church of Christ. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Rich Migonis**

Rich Migonis, 73, Rochester, died Saturday at home. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.



Tuesday May 9, 2017

**Richard Migonis**

Richard Migonis, 73, Rochester, died Saturday at home.

Survivors include his wife, Linda Migonis, Rochester; children Jayson L. Migonis, Dannielle Lynch, and Theodore J. Migonis, all of Rochester; and brothers Thomas Migonis and Harry Migonis, both of Rochester.

No service is scheduled at this time. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

Wednesday May 10, 2017

No Obituaries

Thursday May 11, 2017

**Kimberly D. Sherouse**

Kimberly D. Sherouse, 52, Richmond, and formerly of Rochester, died Wednesday at Rosebud Village, Richmond. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

Friday May 12, 2017

**Kimberly D. Sherouse**

Kimberly D. Sherouse, 52, Richmond, and Rochester, died Wednesday at Rosebud Village, Richmond.

Survivors include her children, Brandon Mosley and Alyssa Alvarez, both of Rochester; her brother, Lloyd Sherouse Jr., Elizabethtown, Ky.; and her sister, Crystal Grubbs, Logansport.

No service is scheduled at this time. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

Saturday May 13, 2017

**Alan R. Waltenberger**

Alan R. Waltenberger, 78, South Mud Lake, died Friday in Macy. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

Monday May 15, 2017

**Alan R. Waltenberger**

May 31, 1938 - May 12, 2017

Alan Ray Waltenberger, 78, Macy (South Mud Lake), passed away at 7:57 a.m. Friday, May 12, 2017, in Macy.

He was born on May 31, 1938, in Angola, the son of Julius Ray and Gladys Marie (Steele) Waltenberger. On June 1, 1983, in Tennessee, he married Janet L. Anderson. She preceded him in death on Sept. 14, 2015.

Mr. Waltenberger had worked for Sears and had owned the Sears Catalog Store in Rochester. Along with his wife Janet, he owned A & J Appliances in Rochester for many years before retiring. He had been a member of the Board of Directors for Woodlawn Hospital and loved to cook and grill, enjoyed hanging out with friends at local restaurants, helping others, fishing, golfing, boating and watching birds around his South Mud Lake home.

Survivors include his children, Jill and husband Paul Elliott, Lafayette, Steve Waltenberger, Warsaw, Jeff and wife Marsha McKinley, Kokomo, Jim and wife Debbie McKinley, Kokomo, Joanna Brock, Kokomo; grandchildren, Alex Elliott, Sarah Kiddy, Jordan McKinley, Mason McKinley, Rachel McKinley, Logan Brock; great-grandchildren, Naomi McKinley, Collin McKinley, Theodore McKinley, Maddux McKinley, Ryan Elliott; and one more great-grandchild to arrive anytime. He was preceded in death by his parents, daughter Carol Sue Waltenberger, sister Genevieve Crow, and a stillborn great-grandchild Maia Renee Elliott.

A memorial service will be conducted at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 18, 2017, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with Chaplain Jason See officiating. Friends may call from 4-7 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home. Interment will take place at a later date. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

**Francis Coplen**

Francis Coplen, 92, Rochester, died Sunday at Memorial Hospital of South Bend.

Survivors include his daughter, Linda Hagen, of Oswego, Ill., son, Larry Coplen, of Indianapolis, and brother, Melville "Mel" Coplen, of Warsaw.

His funeral service is 10 a.m. Wednesday, May 17, 2017, at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St. Visitation is 4-7 p.m. Tuesday and one hour prior to the to the service Wednesday at the funeral home.

### **Kenneth E. Warmbrod**

Sept. 12, 1932 - May 13, 2017

Kenneth E. Warmbrod, 84, Rochester, passed away at 12:51 p.m. Saturday, May 13, 2017, at his residence. He was born on Sept. 12, 1932, in Winamac, the son of John and Lela (Tillotson) Warmbrod. On Oct. 21, 1951, in Winamac, he married Dorothy Young and she survives.

Early in life, Mr. Warmbrod had worked for Tri-City Electric, Hammond, had worked on the family farm and had transported can milk for Crystal Dairy. He retired as owner/operator of his own trucking operation. He had been a member of the Teamsters Union, former Moose Lodge member and was a member of the Fulton County Historical Power Association. In his spare time, he enjoyed restoring tractors, riding his motorcycles, hauling sand and dirt for various customers and traveling.

Survivors include his wife, Dorothy Warmbrod, Rochester; son, Mike and wife Sylvia Warmbrod, Decatur, Ill.; daughters, Kathy and husband David Isbell, Carolyn and husband Jim Pennell, Melinda and husband Robert Styles, all of Rochester; eight grandchildren and nineteen great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, brother Carl Warmbrod, and sisters, Vera Warmbrod and Velma Blackburn.

His funeral service is 10:00 a.m. Thursday, May 18, 2017, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Wednesday and one hour prior to service Thursday at the funeral home. Burial will be in McKinley Memorial Gardens, Winamac. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Arnold E. Bell**

Arnold Eugene Bell, 78, Rochester, died Friday at Visiting Nurse and Hospice Home, Fort Wayne.

Survivors include his daughters, Jeanie (Greg) Brooke, Mentone, and Robin (Charles) Zoubul, Peru, and sister Wonita Joan Hart, Logansport.

A graveside service is 11 a.m. Saturday at Plainview Cemetery, Macy.

### **Ellen L. Flenar**

Ellen L. Flenar, 87, of rural Mentone, died Saturday at Visiting Nurse and Hospice Home, Fort Wayne. Arrangements are pending at King Memorial Home, Mentone.

Tuesday May 16, 2017

**Lana Winegardner Blanchard-Pitcock**

Oct. 13, 1948 – May 4, 2017

Lana Winegardner Blanchard-Pitcock, 68, Rochester, went to be with her Lord on May 4, 2017, at Life Care Center of Rochester.

Lana was born on Oct. 13, 1948, in Rochester, to Wilbur “Boots” and Clara Mae (Clemans) Winegardner. She was a graduate of North Miami High School. She worked at Farm and Home, later Smith Saddlery, in Rochester for 20 years. Then, she moved to Oklahoma and worked at Oklahoma Christian University for 10 years as the assistant director for the campus apartments. In 2009, she suffered a stroke that ended her working career.

Lana’s passion was horses, and she was very involved with the Fulton County 4-H Horse and Pony Club for many years. She dedicated endless hours to help make the Fulton County 4-H Equestrian Center what it is today. She owned a champion barrel horse named Rebel’s Peanut and helped train a world champion flag horse by the name of Bold Sun Flash. Lana liked reading fictional horror novels and watching scary thriller movies. She enjoyed mushroom hunting and loved spending time with family. Above all, she cherished her grandchildren and their interests, including horse shows, baseball games, cheerleading and belly dancing to singing, car racing and mechanics. She took pride in seeing them grow and achieve success with their accomplishments.

Lana is survived by her son, Scott Blanchard, Paige, Texas; daughter Lauri Mack (Chad), Albany; daughter-in-law Ange Blanchard, Kewanna; grandchildren Gage Hunt, Indianapolis, Hayley Blanchard-Fernandez (Javier), Bryan, Texas, Cameron Blanchard, Kewanna, Keylee Greene (Devon), Albany, Peyton Blanchard, Jonestown, Texas, Austin Duncan, Albany, Tristin Duncan, Albany, and Kambree Duncan, Albany; sisters Janie Petersen-Smart (Sid), Claremore, Okla., and Judy Davis, Rochester; brother Jack Winegardner, Macy; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; son Chris Blanchard; and a granddaughter, Megan Blanchard.

There will be a Celebration of Life at the Fulton County Equestrian Center, 1157 W. Third St., Rochester, on Saturday, May 20, 2017, at 10:30 a.m. In lieu of

flowers, please send any donations to the Fulton Co. Horse & Pony Club, 5571 S. State Road 25, Rochester, IN 46975. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Marjorie I. Young**

Marjorie I. Young, 88, died Sunday at Albany Health Care, Albany.

Survivors include her children, Kathy Jo Roe, Muncie, R. Donald Young, Noblesville, David B. Young, Fort Wayne, Dean A. Young, Hartford City, Laurie L. Rhoades, Elkhart, Daniel G. Young, Matthews, and Dale L. Young of North Barrington, Ill.; and sister Mary Christner, Peru.

Her funeral service is 1 p.m. Friday at Keplinger Funeral Home, 509 N. High St., Hartford City. Visitation is 3-8 p.m. Thursday and 11 a.m. to the time of the service Friday at the funeral home.

### **Francis Oliver Coplen**

May 11, 1925 – May 14, 2017

Francis Oliver Coplen, 92, died on Sunday, May 14, 2017, surrounded by family.

He leaves his brother, Melville Coplen, Warsaw; his son, Larry Coplen, Indianapolis; his daughter, Linda (Coplen) Hagan, Oswego, Ill.; his granddaughter, Angela Ossar and his great-grandson, Milo Ossar, both of Austin, Texas; and his significant other, Janis Shambarger, Plymouth. He was preceded in death by his parents, Oscar and Frances Coplen; one brother, James Coplen; and his wife, Janet (Zartman) Coplen.

Born in Rochester on May 11, 1925, he lived in Indiana all his life, graduating from Rochester High School. He married Janet in 1947, and they moved to Argos, where he served as postmaster until his retirement. They lived in Argos until her death in 2011.

He is remembered as a friend to everyone, quick-witted and always ready to lend a hand. He was happiest when he was playing euchre, bowling, or riding his motorcycle. Mr. Coplen was a longtime member of the Argos Lions Club, Rochester Moose Lodge, Rochester Eagles Lodge, and First Christian Church of Rochester. A lifelong blood donor who once earned his 9-gallon pin, he also volunteered with the senior center and Woodlawn Hospital in Rochester, driving senior citizens to their doctor's appointments.

A service celebrating the life of Mr. Francis Coplen will be at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, May 17, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Pastor Mike Van Heyningen will officiate. Friends may visit with his family from 4-7 p.m. on Tuesday and an hour prior to his service on Wednesday. Memorial donations may be made to the First Christian Church of Rochester. Burial will follow in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Online expressions of sympathy may be shared with his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Ellen L. Flenar**

Ellen L. Flenar, 87, rural Mentone, died Saturday at Visiting Nurse Hospice Home, Fort Wayne.

Survivors include her daughters, Diane Idle, South Whitley, and Lynn Bucher, Fort Wayne; and her son, Dan Flenar, Columbia City.

Her funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Saturday at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone. Visitation is 4-7 p.m. at the funeral home.

### **Faye Elizabeth Enyart**

Oct. 27, 1935 – May 13, 2017

Faye Elizabeth Enyart, 81, Mountain View, Mo., passed away on May 13, 2017, at her home.

She was born on Oct. 27, 1935, in Warsaw, the daughter of Carl and Vada (Oden) Zartman. Faye attended Rochester High School. She was united in marriage to Daniel S. Enyart on Feb. 25, 1956, at United Brethren Church, Rochester.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Carl and Vada Zartman; sisters Vivian Groves, Dorothy Volpert and Sharon Zartman; and brothers Victor Zartman and Darrel Zartman. She is survived by her husband of 61 years, Daniel Enyart; son Douglas A. Enyart and wife Cheryl (Dixon), Piedmont, Mo.; two sisters, Wanda Halter and husband Charles, Hot Springs, Ark., and Erma Rodewald and husband Roy, Russellville, Ky.; three grandchildren, Erik Enyart and wife Rachel, Jenks, Okla., Keith Enyart, Park Hills, Mo., and Kira Enyart, Fort Dodge, Iowa; and three great-grandchildren, Wyatt and Tessa Enyart, Park Hills, Mo., and Emily Enyart, Jenks, Okla.

Faye attended United Methodist Church in Mountain View, Mo. She also served as a hostess for the Loyal Order of Moose. She was a loyal and loving wife and mother, grandmother and great-grandma. She was also a wonderful, fun-loving sister.

Her funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, May 17, 2017, at Yarber Mortuary, Mountain View, Mo., with Pastor Josh Ritzheimer officiating. Visitation will begin at one hour prior to the service. Interment will be in Greenlawn Cemetery, Mountain View, Mo. Memorial contributions may be made to Convoy of Hope. Condolences may be expressed at [www.yarbermortuary.com](http://www.yarbermortuary.com).

### **Phillip E. Jackson**

Phillip E. Jackson, 65, Argos, died Sunday at home. Arrangements are pending at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home.

Wednesday May 17, 2017

### **Phillip Elwood Jackson**

May 8, 1952 – May 14, 2017

Phillip Elwood Jackson, 65, Argos, died on May 14, 2017, at 8:36 p.m. at his residence in Argos, where he had been in declining health.

On May 8, 1952, in Catlettsburg, Ky., he was born to Elwood Jackson and Erma (Williamson) Jackson. Phillip had lived most of his life in Marshall County. On Sept. 27, 1975, in Argos, he married Belinda Sue Andrews. Phillip worked for Eisenhour Siding in Plymouth.

He loved the outdoors, was an avid mushroom hunter and enjoyed trapping. He visited Plymouth Speedway and enjoyed the races.

Phillip is survived by his wife, Belinda Jackson, Argos; his son, Ryan Phillip Jackson Sr., Argos; his daughter, Rachel Ann O'Dell and husband Kyle, Granger; two grandsons, Bryce Evan and Ryan P. Jackson Jr.; his brothers, Jimmy Jackson, Kentucky, Ron Jackson and wife Mary, Virginia, Robert Jackson, Kentucky, and Larry Jackson and wife Ruth, Kentucky; and his sister, Sharon Norman and husband David, Ohio. He was preceded in death by his parents and his brother, William Jackson.

Friends may visit with the family on Thursday, May 18, 2017, from 4-7 p.m. at the Church of Jesus Christ, 15676 Michigan Rd., Argos, Indiana. His funeral services will be on Thursday, May 18, 2017, at 7 p.m. at the Church of Jesus Christ, 15676 Michigan Road, Argos, with the Rev. Lloyd Howard officiating. Memorial contributions may be made in memory of Phillip to the Fulton County Coon Hunters Club, Attn: Ty Lewis, 3145 N. 700 W., Rochester, IN 46975, or the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 22478, Oklahoma City, OK 73123.

**Edward D. Wilcox**

Edward D. Wilcox, 76, Argos, died Tuesday at home. Arrangements are pending at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home.

**Skyler Kruse**

July 10, 1987 – May 14, 2017

Skyler Kruse, 29, Quantico, Va., received the greatest gift possible this past Mother's Day. We celebrate her passage into eternal life on May 14, 2017, at home with her family by her side. Skyler was born July 10, 1987, in Logansport.

She is survived by her husband, Cameron Kruse; three young boys, Josiah, Alexander, and Gabriel; mother Penny Grube; father Jack Hoge; stepmother Susan Hoge; sister Gessica Mathis; Mamo Pearl Grube; and many other wonderful family members.

Friends and family will be received at The Lutheran Church of Our Savior at 7365 Indian Head Highway, Bryans Road, Md., on Saturday, May 20, 2017, from 1-3 p.m. for the viewing, with the funeral at 3 p.m. and a dinner celebration immediately after. Because she touched the lives of so many people in so many places, there will also be a memorial service hosted in Rochester this upcoming July. Details will be posted at a later date. In honor of the miracles we witnessed while she carried her cross called cancer, donations can be made to the Ulman Cancer Fund for Young Adults at <http://ulmanfund.org/donate/>.

**Ellen Lee Flenar**

Nov. 22, 1929 – May 13, 2017

Ellen Lee Flenar, 87, rural Mentone, passed away at 12:37 a.m. Saturday, May 13, 2017, at Visiting Nurse & Hospice Home, Fort Wayne.

She was born on Nov. 22, 1929, in Plymouth to Forrest and Goldie (Teel) Kesler. On July 26, 1947, in Mentone, she married Robert D. Flenar, who passed away on March 9, 2011.

Ellen was a wonderful homemaker and loved her family and taking care of her cat, Otis. She also worked at various jobs outside the home. She was a 1947 graduate of Mentone High School. She formerly attended the Mentone Church of Christ.

Survivors include her daughters, Diane and husband Lanny Idle, South Whitley, and Lynn and husband Roger Bucher, Fort Wayne; her son, Dan and wife Sherry Flenar, Columbia City; her daughter-in-law, Valerie Flenar, Rochester; 14



grandchildren; and 42 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband; son Brett Flenar; and sisters Eloise Everman and Freeda Witham.

Her funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Saturday, May 20, 2017, at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone, with Pastor Matthew Flenar officiating. Burial will be in Mentone Cemetery. Visitation is 4-7 p.m. Friday, May 19, 2017, at King Memorial Home, Mentone. Memorial contributions may be made to Visiting Nurse & Hospice Home, 5910 Homestead Road, Fort Wayne, IN 46814. Family and friends may share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Sue A. Blanchard**

Sue A. Blanchard, 72, Rochester, died Monday at Woodlawn Hospital.

Survivors include a daughter, Tammy Boetsma, Rochester; two sons, Kairon Korbell, Rochester, and Scott Blanchard, Paige, Texas; a sister, Nancy Hammond, Lebanon; and a brother, Robert Burton, Beaufort, S.C.

Her funeral service is 11 a.m. Thursday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 10 a.m. to the time of the service Thursday at the funeral home.

### **Allen Wayne Kochenderfer**

Allen Wayne Kochenderfer, 62, Rochester, died Tuesday at home. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

Thursday May 18, 2017

### **Edward D. Wilcox**

Sept. 28, 1940 – May 16, 2017

Edward D. Wilcox, 76, Argos, died on May 16, 2017, at 7 a.m. at his residence in Argos. He had been in declining health for several years.

Ed was born on Sept. 28, 1940, in Plymouth, to Chester Wilcox and Leona Mae (Masterson) Wilcox. Ed moved to Argos in 1971, but had lived in Marshall County all of his life. On June 2, 1961, in Plymouth, he married Shirley A. Hite. Next month, they would have shared 56 years with each other.

Ed was a fiberglass repairman and was owner and operator of E& S Fiberglass in Rochester.

Ed is survived by his wife, Shirley Wilcox, Argos; his daughters, Beth Ward, Plymouth, and Robbin Nelson and husband Brian, Rochester; seven grandchildren, Eric Ward and wife Amber, West Lafayette, Alyssa Rippy and

husband Tanner, Plymouth, Derek Nelson, Indianapolis, Aaron Nelson, Rochester, Michael Wilcox and wife Amanda, Tippecanoe, Brad Wilcox and wife Stephanie, Tippecanoe, and Matthew Wilcox, Etna Green; and eight great-grandchildren, Olivia Ward, Lexi Ward, Hadlee Rippey, Shaylin Wilcox, Jason Wilcox, Braxton Wilcox, Bradyn Wilcox, and Skyla Wilcox. Edward also leaves behind many beloved in-laws, Sue (Jan) Warner, Barbara Dickson, Rosemary Johnston, Lettie (Danny) Maxson, Gene (Donna) Hite, Ray (Marge) Hite, Ron Hite, Valerie Hite, and Connie Hite, along with many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; brother Arthur Wilcox; son Edward Wilcox Jr.; and beloved in-laws, Loyal and Marguerite Hite, Ken Dickson, Carl Johnston Jr., Mary Hite, Dave Hite, Alvin Hite, and Bruce and Pat Hite.

As per Edward's wishes, there will not be a viewing or service. Memorial contributions may be made in memory of Edward Wilcox to Kindred Hospice, 1476 W. 18th St., Rochester, IN 46975.

### **Sharon L. Bope**

June 30, 1944 – May 14, 2017

Sharon L. Bope, 72, Plymouth, passed away on Sunday, May 14, 2017, in the Elkhart Hospice House.

She was born on June 30, 1944, in Plymouth, to the late Samuel and Alma (Pike) Hite. Their marriage blended his children and her children. In addition, they were blessed with three children of their own, Doris McFarland, Charles Hite and Sharon. Sharon married Raymond R. Bope on July 18, 1987, in the Church of Jesus Christ, Argos. They had grown up in the same neighborhood in Plymouth, then Sharon married and moved to Rochester. In the mid-'80s, Sharon returned to Plymouth, and they met again through Ray's sister, Suzanne. They enjoyed a happy, fulfilling life for nearly 30 years.

She studied accounting at Ivy Tech in Logansport after obtaining her GED in 1977. She enjoyed working as a title clerk at a local auto dealership and helping her customers. She enjoyed quilting and embroidery with her sewing circle, genealogy and bowling and golfing with Raymond and their friends.

Surviving is her husband, Raymond R. Bope, Plymouth; two daughters, Kim (David) Duff, Argos, and April (Rodney) Gross, Rochester; stepdaughters Raymi Bope, Oklahoma, Debbie (Michael) Watts, South Bend, Faith (Tony) Gamble, Plymouth, and Kristi (Christopher) Mabis, Columbus; and stepsons Danny Bope, Plymouth, David (Brandi) Thompson, Phoenix, Ariz., and Coy (Brooke) Bope, Winter Haven, Fla. Also surviving are many grandchildren; stepgrandchildren;

great-grandchildren; stepgreat-grandchildren; and half sister, Marie Masterson, Plymouth. Sharon was preceded in death by her parents; 13 siblings; former husband William Sweet Jr.; and stepson Ward Bope.

Friends are welcome to celebrate Sharon's life from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. on Friday, May 19, 2017, at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth. Her funeral service will immediately follow in the funeral home at 1 p.m. with Pastor John Utley officiating. Burial will follow at the New Oak Hill Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be directed to the Center for Hospice Care, 112 S. Center St., Suite C, Plymouth, IN 46563. Condolences may be sent to the family through the website [www.johnson-danielson.com](http://www.johnson-danielson.com).

### **Rosetta Stout**

Oct. 20, 1938 – May 1, 2017

Rosetta Stout, 78, Logansport, passed away peacefully surrounded by her family at 10:45 p.m. Monday, May 1, 2017, at her residence.

Born on Oct. 20, 1938, in Warsaw, she was the daughter of the late Rex and Pauline (Borden) Carey. On May 24, 1963, she married Casper Stout. He preceded her in death on Oct. 26, 1993.

Rosetta was formerly employed at Federal Mogul in Leiters Ford, where she retired after 21 years. She was a former member of the House of the Living Stones Christian Church in Warsaw. Rosetta enjoyed music, gardening, and family above all else.

Survivors include her children, Richard Applegate (Veronica), Warsaw, Wayne Stout (Sue), Logansport, Todd Stout, Fort Wayne, and Ilah Applegate, Warsaw; brothers Robert Clemans (Mary), Edwardsburg, Mich., James Carey (Carolyn), Fort Wayne, and Forrest Vining (Betty), Warsaw; and sisters Susan Fairbanks (Lester), Michigan, Patty Lester, Michigan, Virginia Schuh (John), Warsaw, Glenda Holbrook, Warsaw, Linda Creamer (Rick), Warsaw, and Sandy Vermilyer, Michigan. Rosetta is also survived by grandchildren Joshua Applegate (Ms. Jessie Reed), Fort Wayne, Zachary Applegate (Emily), South Dakota, Sean Stout, Logansport, Cassie Stout, Logansport, and Sarah Stout, Fort Wayne; and six great-grandchildren, Eva, Dylan, Celeste, Dawson, Mallory and Jonah. She was preceded in death by her sisters, Katherine Carey, Julia Hudkins, and Helen McKie; and brothers Cephas Denton, Rodney Carey, and Rex Carey Jr.

A celebration of Rosetta's life will be at 1 p.m. May 20, 2017, at the Firemen's Building at Pike Lake, 1013 E. Arthur St., Warsaw. Arrangements have

been entrusted to Marocco-Rans Funeral Chapel. Friends may sign the guest book and leave an online condolence for the family at [www.ransfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com).

**Allen W. Kochenderfer**

Allen W. Kochenderfer, 62, Rochester, died Tuesday at home.

Survivors include his sons, Stacey Kochenderfer, Rochester, and Keith Kochenderfer, Michigan City; his brother, Wayne Kochenderfer, the Philippines; and his sisters, Lynn Hughes and Carol Shirer, both of California.

No service is scheduled at this time. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

Friday May 19, 2017

No Obituaries

Saturday May 20, 2017

**Dean Smith**

Dean Smith, 85, Rochester, died Friday at home. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

Monday May 22, 2017

**Charles F. Coombs**

Charles F. Coombs, 77, Macy, died Friday at home.

Survivors include his wife, Dorthy Coombs, Macy; and his daughters, Crislea Allen, Sarasota, Fla., and Corene Thompson, Macy.

No service will occur at this time. Arrangements are handled by Hartzler Funeral Home.

**Ann S. Lough**

Ann S. Lough, 78, Indianapolis, and formerly of Rochester, died Saturday at Community Hospital North, Indianapolis. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

**Lloyd D. Smith**

Lloyd D. Smith, 85, Rochester, died Friday at home.

Survivors include two daughters, Robin L. Simmons, Charleston, S.C., and Julie Baker, Portland, Ore.; and a son, Michael D. Smith, Pensacola, Fla.

His funeral service is 10 a.m. Thursday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 4-7 p.m. Wednesday and an hour prior to his service Thursday at the funeral home.

Tuesday May 23, 2017

### **Dean Smith**

March 5, 1932 – May 19, 2017

Mr. Dean Smith, 85, Rochester, passed away at 2:14 p.m. Friday, May 19, 2017, at his residence. On March 5, 1932, Lloyd Dean Smith was born in Rochester. He was the treasured son of Fred L. and Clidia White Smith.

Dean graduated from Monterey High School in 1950, serving as class president. Answering the call of patriotism, Dean enlisted with the U.S. Navy. His stint spanned more than 24 years while he served in the Korean and Vietnam wars. He entered the Navy as a seaman recruit and was honorably discharged as a lieutenant commander in the Medical Service Corps.

On Jan. 11, 1958, in the chapel of a naval hospital in Quantico, Va., Dean married the love of his life, Wanda Jerine Farber. They shared 51 years of life's adventures. From their union came four wonderful children. The family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of three grandchildren.

Many remember Dean as a gentle man with a helping heart. He served Fulton County as civil defense director for a number of years. Dean attended the Rochester Church of God.

Left to cherish the memory of Dean are two daughters, Robin L. Simmons, Charleston, S.C., and Julie Baker, Portland, Ore.; a son, Michael Dean Smith and wife Lore', Pensacola, Fla.; and three grandchildren, Christopher Park Simmons, Ashlyn Marie Pedroza and husband Jovanny, and Aaron Dean Smith. Dean was preceded in death by his parents; beloved wife Wanda on Aug. 13, 2009; and a son, Steven C. Smith on April 24, 1988.

A celebration of the life of Lloyd Dean Smith will be at 10 a.m. on Thursday, May 25, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Pastor Larry Pyeatt will officiate. Dean's family will receive friends from 4-7 p.m. on Wednesday and an hour prior to his service on Thursday at the funeral home. Military honors will be conducted by the Fulton County Veterans Honor Guard and the U.S. Navy Honors Team. Interment will be in the Rochester

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

### **Ann S. Lough**

Oct. 25, 1938 – May 20, 2017

Ann S. Lough, 78, Indianapolis, and formerly of Culver and Rochester, passed away at 8:05 p.m. Saturday, May 20, 2017, at Community Hospital North, Indianapolis. She was surrounded by her family.

Ann was born on Oct. 25, 1938, in South Bend, the only child of Ned and Wilnetta “Billie” (Shore) Hart. She graduated from Rochester High School in 1956 and continued her education at Ball State University, where she graduated in 1960. She earned a master’s degree in business education from Ball State in 1965.

On April 2, 1960, at the Westminster Presbyterian Church in South Bend, she married Greshem “Monty” Lough. He preceded her in death on Jan. 9, 1997.

Ann taught shorthand, typing and home economics at various schools in Illinois and Indiana. She had most recently worked at Miller’s Merry Manor, Culver, as a CNA. She continued to volunteer at Miller’s and at St. Joseph Hospital Auxiliary, Plymouth, through her retirement. She had been an avid member of the Grace United Church of Christ, Culver, and Emmanuel United Methodist Church, Culver, and was also very active in her community. She participated in the United Church of Christ Guild, Rebekah Lodge at Culver, and Maxinkuckee Lodge.

Survivors include her son, Michael Lough, Indianapolis; grandchildren Ashley Lough, Greenwood, and Damien Lough, Culver; and daughter-in-law, Sandra Lough, Culver. She was preceded in death by her parents, and son Matthew Lough, of Culver, in 2013.

Her funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, May 27, 2017, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, where friends may call one hour prior to the service. A memorial visitation will be from 6-8 p.m. Friday, May 26, 2017, at Odom Funeral Home, Culver. Burial will be in the Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society and the ALS Association. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Scott A. Gardner**

Scott A. Gardner, 69, Plymouth, died Friday at home.

Survivors include his daughter, Nichole Ivey, Mishawaka; his sister, Christine Doss, Jacksonville, Ill.; and his brother, Michael Gardner, Shannon, Ill.

His funeral service is 11 a.m. today at the Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos. Arrangements are handled by Earl-Grossman Funeral Home.

Wednesday May 24, 2017

**Carter C. Murphy**

Carter C. Murphy, 76, Denver, died Sunday at Dukes Memorial Hospital, Peru.

Survivors include his wife, Shirlee Ann Murphy, Denver; three children, Bruce Murphy, Denver, Max Murphy, Indianapolis, and Samuel Murphy, Indianapolis; his sister, Julia Martin, Morehead, Ky; and his brother, Royce Murphy, Benefield, England.

His memorial service is 11 a.m. Friday at Denver Baptist Church. Visitation is 9 a.m. to the time of the service Friday at the church. Arrangements are handled by McClain Funeral Home.

**Jack P. Rowe**

Jack P. Rowe, 80, Argos, died Tuesday at Miller's Merry Manor, Culver. Survivors include his wife, Janet Rowe, Argos; his daughter, Pamela S. Mechling, Plymouth; his son, Brad A. Rowe, Argos; and his brothers, Richard Rowe, Plymouth, and Gene Rowe, Argos.

His funeral service is 1 p.m. Friday at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos. Visitation is 5-8 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

Thursday May 25, 2017

**Anthony T. Krintz**

Anthony T. Krintz, 42, Lucerne, died Tuesday at Grass Creek. Arrangements are pending at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home.

**Georgianna Grubbs**

Georgianna Grubbs, 91, Claypool, died Wednesday at Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw. Arrangements are pending at King Memorial Home.

Friday May 26, 2017

**Robert W. Rhodes**

Aug. 20, 1929 – May 25, 2017

Robert W. Rhodes, 87, Rochester, passed away at 6:30 a.m. on Thursday, May 25, 2017, at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

He was born on Aug. 20, 1929, in Akron, the son of Winfred Courtney and Emma (Hoppes) Rhodes. On April 15, 1949, in South Bend, he married Carolyn S. Cumberland. She preceded him in death on March 23, 1994. In June of 1996, he married Donna J. Jarrette Polley. She survives.

Mr. Rhodes had been an electrician for McMahan–O'Connor Construction in Rochester. Early in life, he had played in the Chicago Cubs Minor League farm teams. He had attended the Community Presbyterian Church, was an avid Chicago Cubs fan and enjoyed golfing, fishing, and spending time with his family.

Survivors include his wife, Donna J. Rhodes, Rochester; children Stephanie and husband Mark Nafziger, Rochester, Stephen and wife Deb Rhodes, Logansport, and Susan Whitehair, Albany; stepchildren Margot Denger, Carmel, and Lee Ann Stinson, Raleigh, N.C.; grandchildren Scott Miller, Courtney and husband Luke Bowyer, David Rhodes, Abigail and husband Lucas Wright, Whitney Whitehair, Morgan Whitehair, and Macy Whitehair; great-grandchildren Grayson Bowyer, Isabella Rhodes, and Charlie Wright; and several step grandchildren and step great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his granddaughters, Skylar Whitehair and Natalie Rhodes Gerhart; son-in-law Charles Whitehair; stepdaughter Susan Kirk; one sister; and seven brothers.

His funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Sunday, May 28, 2017, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Friends may call from noon-2 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home. Burial will be in the Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester. Memorial contributions may be made to the Community Presbyterian Church or the Natalie Rhodes Gerhart Scholarship Fund through the Cass County Community Foundation. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

**Georgianna Grubbs**

Dec. 28, 1925 – May 24, 2017

Georgianna Grubbs, 91, Claypool, passed away at 12:10 p.m. Wednesday, May 24, 2017, at Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw.



She was born on Dec. 28, 1925, in Mishawaka, to Ray and Della Fern (Holloway) Dillingham. Her first marriage was to William Elwin Teel, who passed away on Dec. 24, 1960. She then married Raymond H. Grubbs on Oct. 30, 1964, in Mentone. He survives.

She worked in years past for Lake Trail Restaurant, Cooper's Department Store and Teel's Restaurant and 25 years for Tippecanoe Valley School Corporation as a custodian and a cook. She also worked part time at the Kosciusko County Jail.

She graduated from Mentone High School. She was a charter member of the Mentone Legion Auxiliary. She was honored as one of the parade marshals for the Mentone Egg Festival. She was head of the Indiana Girls State for the community and was proud to have been Poppy Champion. She was a member of the Riverview Community Church of Tippecanoe. She loved to watch Tippecanoe Valley sports and enjoyed supporting her family.

Survivors include her husband, Raymond Grubbs, Claypool; her daughters, Connie Haney, Mentone, and Donita and husband Steve Secrist, Warsaw; six grandchildren, including Carmen Howard, Eric Secrist, and Alisa Secrist Pate; and eight great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; first husband; son Ronald Teel; three infant brothers; and two stepchildren.

Her funeral service is at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, May 27, 2017, at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone, with Pastor Rod Ruberg officiating. Burial will be in Mentone Cemetery. Visitation is 4-7 p.m. Friday, May 26, 2017, at King Memorial Home, Mentone. Memorial contributions may be made to the donor's choice. Family and friends may share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Anthony 'Tony' Thomas Krintz**

Dec. 17, 1974 – May 23, 2017

Anthony "Tony" Thomas Krintz, 42, Lucerne, died on May 23, 2017, at 3:12 p.m. in Grass Creek.

On Dec. 17, 1974, in Lafayette, he was born to Larry Krintz and Glenda Guyse. He had lived in Lucerne since 1998, having grown up in Idaville. Tony was a cabinetmaker for L K Wood Products, Culver.

Tony is survived by his mother, Glenda Bleicher, Logansport; his father, Larry Krintz and wife Debbie, Kokomo; his children, Hayden Isaak Krintz and Hannah Isabelle Krintz, both of Royal Center; his sister, Amanda Ann Krintz, Star City; and his brother, Wesley Wayne Krintz and wife Pamela, Monon.

Friends may visit with the family on Saturday, May 27, 2017, from 10-11 a.m. at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos. His funeral service will follow the visitation on Saturday, May 27, 2017, at 11 a.m. at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos, with the Rev. Brian Hughes of the Kokomo First Assembly church officiating. Burial will follow at Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos. Memorial contributions may be made in memory of Tony to Hayden and Hannah's college fund.

Saturday May 27, 2017

**Dennis Lebo**

Dennis Lebo, 62, Rochester, died Friday at Woodlawn Hospital. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

**Nancy Luckenbill**

Nancy Luckenbill, 83, formerly of Akron, died Thursday at Miller's Merry Manor, Warsaw. Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home.

**Richard Holloway**

Richard Holloway, 77, rural Rochester, died Friday at home. Arrangements are pending at King Memorial Home.

Monday May 29, 2017

No Paper-Holiday

Tuesday May 30, 2017

**Richard K. Holloway**

July 11, 1939 – May 26, 2017

Richard K. Holloway, 77, rural Rochester, passed away at 7:05 p.m. Friday, May 26, 2017, at his residence after being in failing health for seven years.

He was born on July 11, 1939, in Fulton County to Omer Jack and Hazel (Tilden) Holloway. On Feb. 21, 1959, in Fulton, he married Laura Belle Wilson, who passed away on Jan. 7, 2004. He then married on June 28, 2012, in Rochester, Terie Vigar, who survives.

Richard farmed, was a timber buyer, and also owned and operated his own sawmill for many years in Talma. He retired from Holmes & Company, of Columbia City. He was a member of the former Athens United Methodist Church and also had attended Bethlehem Baptist Church. He enjoyed all kinds of woodworking and could make anything. He also loved mowing grass and watching birds.

Survivors include his wife, Terie Holloway, Rochester; son, Richard L. and wife Lorna Holloway, Rochester; stepdaughters, Katina Davis, Peru, Lisa Hernandez, Tippecanoe, Amanda and husband Chris Clabaugh, Pierceton, Jessica Davis and Michael Crum, Mentone; six grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; sister, Carole Feltis, Rochester; and brother, Marion and wife Pauline Holloway, Rochester. He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Laura Belle Wilson Holloway; son, Christopher Holloway; brother, Kenneth E. Holloway; and infant sister, Vivian Holloway.

His funeral service is 11 a.m. Wednesday, May 31, 2017, at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone, with Pastor Wanda Carter officiating. Burial will be in the Sycamore Cemetery, Mentone. Visitation is 4-7 p.m. today, May 30, 2017, at King Memorial Home, Mentone. Memorial contributions may be made to Athens Community Church. Family and friends may share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Dennis A. Lebo**

Dennis A. Lebo, Rochester, died Friday at Woodlawn Hospital.

Survivors include his daughter, Allie Lebo, son, Corey Lebo, wife Kari, all of Rochester; and his sister Connie Chapman, Galveston.

His funeral service is 2 p.m. Saturday at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St. Visitation is 11 a.m. to the time of service at the funeral home.

### **Nancy L. Luckenbill**

Sept. 28, 1933 – May 25, 2017

Nancy L. Luckenbill, 83, passed away at 8:40 p.m. Thursday, May 25, 2017, at Miller's Merry Manor, Warsaw.

Formerly of Akron, she was the daughter of Kenneth and Mary (Royer) Luckenbill. She was born at home near Akron on Sept. 28, 1933. She graduated from Akron High School in 1951 and her first job was at Kingsbury Ordnance Plant. After that, she worked a number of years as a telephone operator and bookkeeper for the Rochester Telephone Company.

When she was younger, she was involved in 4-H and had many interests. Nancy was a perfectionist and whatever she set her mind to do, she did very well. Refinishing furniture, gardening, traveling, sewing and helping her parents with farm chores were a few things she really enjoyed doing.

Nancy was kind, helpful and people enjoyed talking with her, but her humor was especially enjoyed by the wonderful staff at Miller's Merry Manor.

She is survived by one sister, Mrs. Bruce (Judy) Grindle, Syracuse; brother in-law Richard (Dick) Adamson, Akron; two nephews, Daniel (Sherri) Grindle, Millersburg, and Jeffery Grindle, Fort Wayne; one niece, Kathy (Norman) Prater, Akron; four great-nephews and a great-niece. Nancy was preceded in death by her parents, Kenneth and Mary Luckenbill; brother, Gary Luckenbill; and sister, Shirley Adamson.

Her funeral service is 11:30 a.m. Saturday, June 3, 2017, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Pastor Kathy Nelson officiating. Burial will be in the Akron Cemetery, Akron. Visitation is 9:30-11:30 a.m. Saturday, June 3, 2017, at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron. Memorial contributions may be made to Miller's Merry Manor or Harbor Light Hospice. Family and friends may share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

Wednesday May 31, 2017

### **Michael S. Maloney**

Aug. 30, 1943 - May 26, 2017

The creed of the true saint is to make the most of life, and to make the best of it. Heaven gained a true saint in Michael S. Maloney, 73, Kokomo, who left this life at 5:19 p.m. on Friday, May 26, 2017, at Community Howard Regional Hospital in Kokomo surrounded by family and loved ones.

He was born on Aug. 30, 1943, in Kokomo, to Robert and Lucille (Swisher) Maloney. On March 3, 1962, he married Pamela F. Schmitt, at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Kokomo. She survives. Together they celebrated 55 years of marriage this year.

Michael graduated from Fulton High School in 1961 and served in the United States Air Force from 1961 to 1966. Mike served with the Alaskan Air Command stationed at Elmendorf Air Force Base in Anchorage, Alaska. He was also stationed in Texas and Scott Air Force Base in Illinois and served his nation proudly in Vietnam. He attended the University of Alaska and Indiana University

Kokomo, where he earned two associate degrees. He worked for Delco Electronics as a preventative maintenance supervisor for 32 years before retiring in 1999. After his retirement, he worked as a realtor for RE/ MAX Realty One with his wife and daughter Shala from 1999 to 2009.

Mike was an avid Notre Dame fan and held season football tickets for several years. He also enjoyed fishing and teaching his grandchildren to fish at his summer home at Nyona Lake, golfing with his fellow Knights of Columbus and friends in Florida, gardening, and traveling, going on several cruises. More than anything, Mike enjoyed spending time with family and friends. He was a member of St. Patrick Catholic Church and a lifetime member of the Knights of Columbus where he was a member of the 4th Degree, past Grand Knight, and on the Columbia Board of Directors. He was also on the Board of Directors for Edgewater Pines in Seminole, Fla., served as chairman of many committees of the Nyona Lake Fish & Game Association and had been a member of the American Legion.

Mike enjoyed life to its very fullest. He never met a stranger and had the very best bear hugs. He had a heart of gold and would do anything for anyone. Mike certainly enjoyed his fishing trips with Pete Schmitt, Greg Clark, and Dave Schmitt going to Minnesota and Wisconsin. He thought of these men as his brothers and would often refer to the in-laws as the "out-laws." He adopted Pam's family as his own, and each one was special in Mike's eyes.

Mike would want to thank everyone who came to see him at home, the hospital and rehab during his battle with cancer. He loved all the cards he received and the special notes. He fought hard and never asked "why me" during his battle. He would want to thank Dr. Lance Washington and Dr. John Salter, not only for their service, but for their true friendship. He referred to the nurses and assistants in the Community Oncology Center as his angels.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by his son, Robert Maloney, Kokomo; daughter Shala (John) Glentzer, Kokomo; grandchildren Michael Hill, Lyndsey Maloney, Caitlin Maloney, Brian Maloney, Jenna Glentzer, Jackson Glentzer and Jacob Glentzer; great-grandchildren Zaighn Hill, Brody Hill, Harper Hill, Adryan Maloney and Sophia Maloney; half-sister Kathleen Glass, Kokomo; and brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law Robert (Carol) Schmitt, David "Bubba" (Debra) Schmitt, Luann (Paul) King, Mary Jo Schmitt, James "Pete" (Marta) Schmitt and Barbara (Maloney) Clavio. Mike is survived also by several godchildren, nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; brother Dennis Maloney; sisters

Margarite Maloney and Judy Maloney; father-in-law and mother-in-law Wilbert “Bud” and Lucille Schmitt; and brother in-law Robert Glass.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. on Friday, June 2, 2017, at St. Patrick Catholic Church, Kokomo, with Father David Hasser the celebrant. Burial will follow in Kokomo Memorial Park Cemetery with military honors by the Kokomo VFW Military Rites Team and the United States Air Force. Friends are invited to visit with the family from 3-8 p.m. on Thursday, June 1, with the rosary being said at 7:30 p.m., at Shirley & Stout Funeral Homes & Crematory, 1315 W. Lincoln Road, Kokomo. Memorial contributions may be made to Gibault Children’s Services or the Children’s Miracle Network. Messages of condolence may be expressed online at [www.shirleyandstout.com](http://www.shirleyandstout.com). And remember! The angels of life sometimes fly so high as to be beyond our sight, but they are always looking down upon us.

### **Patricia A. Hipskind**

Patricia A. Hipskind, 78, Peru, died Monday at St. Vincent Kokomo Hospital.

Survivors include her husband, Joseph Hipskind, Peru; her sister, Judy Tremblay, Long Sault, Ontario, Canada; and six children, Diana Craig, South Bend, Andrew Hipskind, Plymouth, Lisa Wilmotte, San Antonio, Texas, Sarah Hipskind, Peru, Paula Shimba, South Bend, and David Hipskind, South Bend.

Her funeral service is 8 p.m. Friday at the First Assembly of God church, 365 Monroe Ave., Peru. Visitation is 11 a.m.12:30 p.m. and from 6:30-8 p.m. Friday at the church. Arrangements are handled by McClain Funeral Home.

Thursday June 1, 2017

### **Dennis A. Lebo**

Feb. 22, 1955 – May 26, 2017

Mr. Dennis A. Lebo, 62, of Rochester, passed away on Friday, May 26, 2017, at Woodlawn Hospital shortly after admission.

A lifelong resident of Rochester, Dennis Allen Lebo was born on Feb. 22, 1955, at Woodlawn Hospital. He was the treasured son of Floyd Everett and Ruth Maxine Hinderlider Lebo. Growing up, he shared his childhood with his older sister, Connie. In 1974, Denny graduated from Rochester High School.

Dedicated and devoted, Dennis headed the maintenance department of Rochester Ford for many years. Accomplished with all types of card games, he

looked forward to Sunday afternoon poker games with the guys. His favorite sports teams were the Chicago Cubs and Miami Dolphins.

With a passion for sports, Denny umpired for the men's softball league. An avid cyclist, he could be seen cruising the streets of Rochester on his bike. Denny was never a culinary genius, but was known for his fondness for microwave burritos and Marie Callender frozen entrees.

Left to cherish the memory of Denny are a daughter, Allie Lebo, Rochester; a son, Corey Lebo and wife Kari, Rochester; a sister, Connie Chapman and husband Dean, Galveston; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Denny was predeceased by his parents; and his lifelong companion, Deb Lebo, on Jan. 17, 2017.

A celebration of the life of Dennis A. Lebo will be at 2 p.m. on Saturday, June 3, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Friends may visit with his family from 11 a.m. until the time of service Saturday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the Fulton County Heart Fund through the Northern Indiana Community Foundation, 715 Main St., Rochester, IN 46975. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Stanley A. Kendall**

Stanley A. Kendall, 64, Warsaw, died Wednesday at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

Survivors include his sister, Sheri Reeve, Pierceton; and his brother, Larry Kendall, Bremen.

His funeral service is 10 a.m. Saturday at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos. Visitation is 6-8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

### **Russell W. Slusser**

Russell W. Slusser, 78, Denver, died Tuesday at Miller's Merry Manor, Peru. Survivors include his wife, Minnie.

His funeral service is 1:30 p.m. Friday at McClain Funeral Home. Visitation is 11:30 a.m. to the time of the service Friday at the funeral home.

### **Daryl H. Minix**

June 11, 1977 – May 29, 2017

Mr. Daryl H. Minix, 39, originally from Rochester, most recently of Lebanon, passed away May 29, 2017, at Witham Hospital in Lebanon.

Daryl was born on June 11, 1977, in Plymouth, the son of David Minix and Mary Rose (Nix) Watkins. He married Courtney Jean Thompson on Oct. 1, 2016. She survives.

Daryl was an entrepreneur, having owned and operated several businesses. He was very interested in business operations and finance. Daryl was a fan of Notre Dame football. He also coached his children's baseball teams for many years.

Survivors include his wife, Courtney Minix, Lebanon; father David (Kim) Minix, Rochester; mother Mary Watkins, Lebanon; sons Mason Minix, Lebanon, and Tyson, Blake, and Brady Minix, Rochester; daughters Jordan and Ava Minix, Rochester, and Brilynn Cox, Lebanon; sisters Abigail (Charlie) Glasson, Thorntown, Samantha (Dustin) Minix, Kewanna, and Ashley (Colt) Minix, Fort Wayne; paternal grandparents Herbert and Dolores Minix, Rochester; several aunts and uncles; and nieces and nephews. Daryl was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents Sigel Nix and Minia Owens; and his stepfather, Jay Watkins.

Family and friends will gather Monday, June 5, 2017, for visitation from 10 a.m. until the time of the service at 2 p.m. with Pastor Sam Westmoreland officiating in the Strawmyer & Drury Mortuary, 2400 N. Lebanon St., Lebanon. Daryl will be laid to rest at Maple Lawn Cemetery in Thorntown. Family and friends are invited to visit the website [www.strawmyerdrury.com](http://www.strawmyerdrury.com) where they may sign Daryl's online register and leave a personal message. Memorial contributions as requested by Daryl may be made to the Mason Minix Fund, c/o KeyBank, 127 W. Main St., Lebanon, IN 46052.

### **Kenneth W. Richardson**

May 26, 1949 – May 31, 2017

Kenneth W. Richardson, 68, rural Macy, passed away at 1:50 a.m. Wednesday, May 31, 2017, at his residence.

He was born on May 26, 1949, in Logansport, to Ernest Dover and Mary Ann (Bowyer) Richardson. On July 1, 1967, he married Grace Dawalt. She survives.

Kenny was a self-employed logger. He loved to pull horses and enjoyed socializing with friends.

Survivors include his wife, Grace Richardson, Macy; his daughters, Mindee and husband Michael Turner, Georgetown, and Wendy and husband Dale Green, Culver; his mother, Mary Ann Edwards, Kokomo; his grandchildren, Gunnar, Lindsey, KCee, and Hodge; his great-grandsons, Bentley and Nathan; his brother,



Danny Richardson, Peru; and his loving sister, Sue Stone, Georgetown. He was preceded in death by his father, Dover Richardson; and his sisters, Pam Richardson and Martha Meade.

Following Kenny's request, no service will occur at this time. Memorial contributions may be made to Ebenezer United Methodist Church. Family and friends may share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Samuel E. Hoover**

Samuel E. Hoover, 86, Denver, died Wednesday at home. Arrangements are pending at McClain Funeral Home.

### **Mildred K. Smith**

Mildred K. Smith, 77, Rochester, died Wednesday at home.

Survivors include her husband, Dale; three children, Dave Smith, Sandy Owens, and Kevin Smith, all of Rochester; a sister, Carolyn Beach, Kouts; and a brother, Cliff Beach, Valparaiso.

Her funeral service is 11 a.m. Monday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Sunday and one hour prior to the service Monday at the funeral home.

Friday June 2, 2017

### **Pamela L. Dickinson**

Sept. 3, 1946 – May 30, 2017

Pamela L. Dickinson, 70, Akron, passed away on Tuesday, May 30, 2017. She was born on Sept. 3, 1946, to Albert E. "Ted" Hawk Jr. and LaVerta Sundheimer in Miami, Fla.

She was a graduate of Manchester High School, a member of the Moose Lodge in Peru and a member of the Order of the Amaranth in Peru. She had done secretarial work most of her life, working for Schneider International Trucking and most recently Akron Concrete Products until her retirement. She had also owned and operated Ye Ole Bath Shoppe Pet Grooming in Peru for several years.

Pam will be remembered as a spirited, tender-hearted woman who loved her family. She enjoyed reading and caring for her plants, but she had a special fondness and passion for animals. She rescued, adopted and cared for several dogs and cats over the course of her life.

Left to cherish the memory of Pat are two sons, Marvin (Stephene) Redman, Bunker Hill, and Joe (Jena) Redman, Logansport; seven grandchildren, Gipsy, Kalika, Kristin, Stephen, Seanna, Syllas and Skye; two great-grandchildren, Karoline and Lyla; two sisters, Lina Harding, Las Vegas, Nev., and LaVerta “Shelly” (Pat) Walgamuth, Akron; two brothers, Fred (Michele) Caudill, Peru, and Alan (Lesly) Sundheimer, Franklin; several nieces and nephews; and her beloved dog, Lacy, and cat Weesaw. She was preceded in death by her parents and brother John Hawk.

Her funeral service will be at the Akron Cemetery on Saturday, June 3, at 3 p.m. Family and friends may call at the graveside one hour prior to the service. Pastor John Ed Rhodes will officiate. For those who wish to honor the memory of Pam, memorial contributions may be made to the Fulton County Animal Adoption and Education Center, 1540 N. Wentzel St., Rochester, IN 46975.

### **Kathryn Leanna Metzger**

Feb. 25, 1920 – May 23, 2017

Kathryn Leanna Metzger, 97, Akron, died. Mom left us May 23, 2017, at 12:20 p.m. at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester, to meet our Lord and dad after 13 years. She had a hospital stay of six days before going home.

Kate was born Feb. 25, 1920, in Wabash County to Jesse S. and Nona (Mishler) Blickenstaff. She graduated from Chester High School in 1939. Kathryn married Wayne Metzger on Sept. 29, 1939. They were married for 64 years before Wayne died Jan. 28, 2004.

Kathryn was part of the 39er’s Club. She was a great cook and Grandma to everybody. She enjoyed fishing, camping, and riding motorcycles, but quilting was her passion. Kathryn attended Congregational Christian Church, North Manchester.

She is survived by her daughter, Lisbeth Kay (Robert) DuBois, Akron; son Larry Michael (Kayla) Metzger, Atwood; sister Esther Miller, Pierceton; grandchildren Doug Metzger, Mindy Stookey, Renee Martin, Kami Minear, and Scott Jones; and 10 great-grandchildren. Kathryn was preceded in death by her parents, Jesse S. and Nona Blickenstaff; and sister Dorothy Warner Watson.

A celebration was held for her on May 26, 2017, attended by close friends and family. Burial was at Ulrey Memorial Cemetery, Silver Lake. Pastor J.P. Freeman officiated. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Congregational Christian Church, 310 N. Walnut St., North Manchester, IN 46962, or William Wheeler Ministries, 205 E. New York St., Indianapolis, IN 46204.

Arrangements are entrusted to McKee Mortuary, North Manchester.

### **Justin T. Walther**

Justin T. Walther, 26, Logansport, died Wednesday at St. Vincent Hospital, Kokomo. Arrangements are pending at McClain Funeral Home.

### **Samuel E. Hoover**

Samuel E. Hoover, 86, Denver, died Wednesday at home.

Survivors include his wife, Mary; his sons, Mike Hoover, Plymouth, and Monte Hoover, Indianapolis; his sister, Rosalee Ratliff; and his brother, Raymon Hoover.

His funeral service is 4 p.m. Sunday at McClain Funeral Home. Visitation is 2 p.m. to the time of the service Sunday at the funeral home.

### **Marjorie Aldora Enyart**

March 6, 1924 – May 29, 2017

Marjorie Aldora Enyart, 93, South Bend, passed away peacefully surrounded by family at 2:20 p.m. Monday, May 29, 2017, at Miller's Merry Manor, Walkerton.

She was born on March 6, 1924, in Rochester, to Alvin and Dora Ann (Ogden) Hoffman. Marjorie graduated in 1943 from Rochester High School. She enjoyed crafting, card games, cooking, dining out, the theater and reading. She and her husband, Tom, especially enjoyed time spent together fishing and traveling. Marjorie was a fan of the Indy 500 and Kentucky Derby. She was a volunteer for many nonprofit organizations and was a member of a homemakers' club in Fish Lake. She worked at a senior center gift shop, waitressed for Morris Country Club and served as a clerk at a Langel's Dime store in South Bend.

Marjorie was a role model as a dedicated wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother.

On Dec. 8, 1946, in Rochester, she married Thomas Enyart. He preceded her in death in June 2011. Also preceding her in death were her parents, two brothers and three sisters.

Surviving are three children, Trudi (Timothy) Cunningham, Fish Lake, Laura (Rich) Kolecki, Silt, Colo., and Tom "Rusty" (Shawna) Enyart, Seal Beach, Calif.; 10 grandchildren, Robbee Center, John Jerzykowski, Rick and Matthew Kolecki, and Grant, Blake, Amber, Jenelle, Sarah, and Shawn Enyart; and 10

great-grandchildren, Kyle and Shannon Center, John, Ashley, Troy and Hunter Jerzykowski, and Thomas, Kayla, Eve, and Lily Kolecki.

After raising their family in South Bend, Marj and Tom retired in Alabama. They returned to the South Bend area in 2003 to spend the rest of their retirement closer to family.

Cremation was arranged by Lakeview Funeral Home & Crematory, La Porte. Friends may send condolences to the family at [www.lakeviewfhc.com](http://www.lakeviewfhc.com). A celebration of Marjorie's life will be at a later date. The family extends a special thanks to Harbor Light Hospice for the compassionate care given to Marj. Memorial contributions may be directed to Harbor Light Hospice, 1608 E. Day Road, Mishawaka, IN 46545, in memory of Marjorie Aldora Enyart.

### **Richard L. Colwell**

Richard L. Colwell, 73, died Thursday at home. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

Saturday June 3, 2017

### **Millie Smith**

Nov. 20, 1939 – May 31, 2017

Mrs. Mildred "Millie" Kay Smith, 77, Rochester, passed away unexpectedly Wednesday morning, May 31, 2017, at her residence.

On Nov. 20, 1939, Mildred Kay Beach was born in Valparaiso. She was a cherished daughter of Clarence and Lillian Erwin Beach. Growing up, she shared her childhood with a sister, Carolyn, and brother Cliff. In 1957, she graduated from Morgan Township High School.

In Valparaiso on June 8, 1957, Millie married the love of her life, Mr. Dale Somers Smith. Together they shared nearly 60 years of life's adventures; they would have marked their six-decade anniversary next week. From their union came three wonderful children, Dave, Sandy and Kevin. Their family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of 10 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

A devoted member of the Whippoorwill Community Church, Millie played the piano for Sunday services for the past 30 years. Prior to this she was a member of and played for the Kewanna Church of Christ. During the winter season, she and Dale attended faithfully, the McGregor Baptist Church in Fort Myers, Fla. Bunco was Millie's game of choice. She was an accomplished member of the Kewanna

Gals Bunco Club. This past winter they enjoyed a cruise celebrating 50 years together as a club.

Three seasonal rotations comprised Millie's world: planting, the harvest and Florida. Estero was their home away from home for the winter months. The sunshine, sand and surf welcomed them every December. She and Dale enjoyed a more than 35-year stint there, garnering many close friendships.

An avid reader, Millie read many books. She was a self-taught musician, playing the keyboard and piano for her enjoyment. A sports enthusiast, Millie loved watching the Chicago Bulls, especially Michael Jordan, during their years of dominance. She also enjoyed NCAA basketball and March Madness.

To relax, Millie enjoyed catching the warm summer breeze while sitting in the gazebo. Centrally located on the homestead, she could oversee the fieldwork and observe the tractors and trucks coming and going. With the bountiful autumn harvest, Millie's preferred position was her special seat in the elevator office, weighing trucks in and out. Each spring, she planted flowers to enhance the landscape of her home. She also enjoyed yardwork, riding her John Deere mower, cutting and trimming with meticulous care. When her job was complete, the yard was groomed to perfection. It was her own gold standard.

As the matriarch of the Smith family, Grandma Millie was quite at home from her kitchen command post. She was a proud mother and farm wife, assisting Dale with overseeing the daily operations, sometimes driving a tractor or pulling a cart. In the early years, Grandma Millie served as the Smith farm's No. 1 combine operator. The grandchildren enjoyed riding with her for many hours during each harvest season. Of course, she made certain everyone was fed with a feast during the busy seasons of the planting and harvest.

Millie thoroughly enjoyed hosting family celebrations and holiday gatherings. Paramount in her life were her grandchildren. During their formative years, she was their No. 1 cheerleader whether it was at 4-H events and livestock competitions, horse shows, four-wheeler racing, courtside for a basketball or volleyball game or on the bleachers at a tractor pull. Grandma Millie could always be seen cheering from the stands.

Left to cherish the memory of Millie are her husband, Dale; three children, Dave Smith and wife Melana, Sandy Owens and husband Gray, and Kevin Smith and wife Chris, all of Rochester; 10 grandchildren, Lindsay Straeter and husband Matt, Linnea Baney and husband Jim, Luke Smith and wife Cassie, Landon Smith and wife Heather, Arik Owens and wife Erin, Jason Owens and wife Melinda, Stacey Miller and husband David, Ciara Kalischuk and husband Tyson, Travis

Smith and wife Ashlie, and Olivia Smith; great-grandchildren Ellie and Mason Straeter, Parker and Asher Smith, Lydia Baney, Abby Owens, and Kensie and Jake Owens; a sister, Carolyn Beach, Kouts; a brother, Cliff Beach and wife Dawn, Valparaiso; and several nieces and nephews. Millie was preceded in death by her parents; a grandson, Lance David Smith; and a great-granddaughter, Allison Owens.

A celebration of the life of Millie Smith will be at 11 a.m. on Monday, June 5, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Pastor Brian Sewell officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 4-8 p.m. on Sunday, June 4, 2017, and one hour prior to the service Monday at the funeral home. Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Whippoorwill Community Church Building Fund, 4795 N. 200 West, Rochester, IN 46975. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Justin T. Walther**

Justin T. Walther, 26, Logansport, died Wednesday at St. Vincent Hospital, Kokomo.

Survivors include his parents, Mark A. Sr. and Donna L. Walther, North Manchester; and his brother, Mark A. Walther Jr., Logansport.

His funeral service is 7 p.m. Tuesday at McClain Funeral Home. Visitation is 4 p.m. to the time of the service Tuesday at the funeral home.

### **Richard L. Colwell**

Richard L. Colwell, 73, Rochester, died Thursday at home.

Survivors include his wife, Vicki; two daughters, Tammy Smith, Pella, Iowa, and Linda Vowels, Columbiaville, Mich.; a son, Bobby Jo Rozell, Jacksonville, Texas; two sisters, Linda A. Humphries, The Villages, Fla., and Cheryl J. Copeland, Garver Lake, Mich.; and two brothers, Roland G. Colwell, Kewanna, and Dewey Jones, Gatesville, Texas.

A prayer service is 3 p.m. Monday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 2 p.m. to the time of the service Monday at the funeral home.

Monday June 5, 2017

### **Sheryl J. Woods**

Sheryl J. Woods, 64, Rochester, died Saturday at South Bend Hospice House. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

### **Ralph Pickens**

Nov. 14, 1920 – June 3, 2017

Ralph Pickens, 96, Lucerne, passed away Saturday, June 3, 2017, at his residence.

Born on Nov. 14, 1920, in Kewanna, he was the son of the late Frank E. and Blanche M. (Morris) Pickens. On May 23, 1943, in the Metea Baptist Church, Ralph married Ondah R. Manning. She preceded him in death on Dec. 29, 2015.

Ralph retired as a tool and die maker in 1985 after working for Logan Machine Company for 40 years. Ralph was a United States Army Veteran, serving from 1942-1946 in North Africa, Sicily and Italy. He was a member of Metea Baptist Church where he was a former Sunday school superintendent. Ralph was also a member of the VFW Post 3790 and American Legion Post 60, a 50-year member of the Fulton Masonic Lodge 665 and member of the Eastern Star of Royal Center 375.

Surviving are two daughters, Sheila Anthony and husband Jack, Louisville, Ky., and Raenae Overmyer and husband Carl, Rochester; six grandchildren, Matthew Anthony and wife Sydney, Louisville, Ky., David Overmyer and wife Angie, Rochester, Ben Overmyer and Leigh, Rochester, Sarah Anthony and John, Westbrook, Maine, Grace Miller and husband David, Fishers, and Hannah Goforth and husband Rich, Pittsburgh, Pa.; great-grandchildren Dawson Overmyer, Mia Overmyer, Arya Goforth, Evie Goforth, Charlotte Goforth, Naomi Miller and Titus Miller; and many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews. Ralph was preceded in death by five sisters, Esther Books, Helen Smith, Mabel Burrous, Edna Annis and Opal Pickens; and six brothers, Herman, Raymond, Frank Jr., Robert, Clyde and Clifford Pickens.

A celebration of life will be at 10 a.m. Friday, June 9, 2017, at the Gundrum Funeral Home with Pastor Mark Foreman and Pastor Tyler Murphy officiating. Burial with full military graveside rites will follow in the Metea Cemetery. Visitation will be from 4-7 p.m. on Thursday, June 8, also in the funeral home. A Masonic service will be at 7 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the Metea Baptist Church. Family and friends may sign Ralph's guest book online at [www.gundrumcares.com](http://www.gundrumcares.com).

Tuesday June 6, 2017

## **Edward C. Westwood**

Edward C. Westwood, 65, Rochester, died Saturday at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

Survivors include his wife, Mary; two daughters, Kimberly A. Westwood, and Angela M. Westwood, both of Rochester; and a son, Scott A. Westwood, Rochester.

His funeral service is 5 p.m. Wednesday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 2 p.m. to the time of the service Wednesday at the funeral home.

Wednesday June 7, 2017

## **Edward ‘Ed’ Carl Westwood**

June 30, 1951 – June 3, 2017

Lifetime Fulton County resident, Mr. Edward “Ed” Carl Westwood, 65, Rochester, passed away at 3:32 p.m. Saturday, June 3, 2017, at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

On June 30, 1951, Ed was born in Rochester. He was the treasured son of Carl Thomas and Frances Ellen Barth Westwood. He grew up on the family farm near Leiters Ford. Ed enjoyed spending time with his grandparents who lived next door.

In First Presbyterian Church of Rochester, on Sept. 28, 1968, Ed married the love of his life, Mary Ruth Ringle. The Rev. Smiley Johnson officiated. Ed and Mary shared nearly 49 years of life’s adventures. From their union came three great children: Scott, Kimberly and Angela. Over the years, two more generations were added to the family tree. During the early years, Ed and Mary raised their family on a farm near Kewanna, where he and his father built their home.

With a solid work ethic, Ed worked for many years at Sealed Power with his dad. In the company of many great people, he garnered many lifetime friendships.

An American outdoorsman, Ed loved to camp, hunt and fish. This allowed many memories to be made with his family. At home in his workshop garage, he was known as Mr. Fix-it. The garage door was always up, welcoming friends and family who came by with projects for him to repair or weld to like-new condition.

Along with his grandson, Ed tinkered with his shiny black Suzuki Volusia, keeping it in tune and making adjustments to maximize its performance. There was nothing like taking a ride and the feeling of freedom while catching the warm summer breeze. More recently, he spent numerous hours in the process of restoring his 1997 GMC Sonoma.



Ed is lovingly remembered by his wife, Mary; two daughters, Kimberly Ann Westwood, and Angela Marie Westwood, both of Rochester; a son, Scott Alan Westwood and wife Christine, Rochester; five grandchildren, Thomas Westwood, Trisha Westwood, Alexander Carl Carpenter, Lukas Carpenter, and Melissa Figueroa; three great-grandchildren, Tania, Marlee Mae and Alivia; and several nieces, nephews and cousins. Edward was preceded in death by his parents.

A celebration of the life of Edward Carl Westwood will be at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, June 7, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home. Cole Thomas Westwood, Ph.D., a cherished nephew of Ed, will officiate. Friends may visit with the family from 2-5 p.m. on Wednesday at the funeral home. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at [www. Goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.Goodfamilyfh.com).

Thursday June 8, 2017

No Obituaries

Friday June 9, 2017

**Linda A. Snapp**

Linda A. Snapp, 65, Rochester, died Thursday at Life Care Center of Rochester. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

Saturday June 10, 2017

**Edward ‘Buck’ Charles Howard**

Sept. 13, 1961 - June 9, 2017

Edward “Buck” Charles Howard, 55, Macy, passed away at 11:30 a.m. on Friday, June 9, 2017, at his residence.

Born Sept. 13, 1961, in Knox, he was the son of the late Alonzo and Anna Miller Howard.

Buck worked at Fulton Industries for many years. After the factory closed, he worked at McClain Funeral Home, Denver, where he was in charge of maintenance and the grounds. He was a man of great mechanical talent and enjoyed working on all types of different things. For the past several years, he enjoyed making holiday decorations for the town of Macy.

He is survived by his companion, Terri Holbrook, Macy; children Mandy Sparks and companion Boone, Cynthiana, Ky., Zachary Howard and wife Jessica,

Morehead, Ky., Jeremy Heckathorn and companion Becky Elliott, Macy, and Jamie Heckathorn, Macy; four grandchildren, Haley and K.J. Sparks, Cynthiana, Ky., Brantley Howard, Morehead, Ky., and Owen Swanson, Macy; four siblings, Lloyd (Phyllis) Howard, Culver, Shelby (Candy) Howard, Rochester, Susie (Rick) Clingler, DeLong, and David "Skeeter" (Dee) Howard, Grovertown; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by two brothers, Louis and Clyde Howard; and a sister, Ruby Howard.

His funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, June 13, 2017, at McClain Funeral Home, Denver, with Pastor Pat Allen officiating. Burial will follow in Plainview Cemetery, Macy. Visitation will be from 6-9 p.m. on Monday at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made through the funeral home to assist the family during this difficult time. Online condolences may be sent to the funeral home at [www. mcclainfh.com](http://www.mcclainfh.com).

### **Kenneth Eugene Saine**

March 22, 1934 - June 8, 2017

Mr. Kenneth Eugene Saine, 83, Rochester, was surrounded by his loving family when he passed away at 5:33 p.m. Thursday, June 8, 2017, at his home. He had been in failing health the past eight years.

On March 22, 1934, Kenneth Eugene Saine was born in Francesville. He was the treasured son of Ernest and Alice Tunis Saine. Growing up as one of eleven children, No. 8, he shared his childhood with a brother and nine sisters.

In Fort Wayne on Oct. 20, 1956, Kenny married the love of his life, Donna Jean Town. Their union produced a daughter, Pam and a son, Bob. The family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of eight grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. They shared almost 50 years of life's adventures; sadly, she passed away on Feb. 12, 2006.

With a strong work ethic, Kenny worked as a roofer with Lawmaster Roofing for many years. He also enjoyed a lifelong passion of agriculture, farming in Richland Township. He enjoyed watching his crops and the garden grow.

As an American sportsman, Kenny loved to hunt, fish and camp. He hung out with the guys, drinking coffee at local eateries and solving many of the world's problems. On TV, he watched Westerns and animal shows. A favorite memory of his was the adventure traveling to Alaska. Kenny and Donna drove and enjoyed seeing the sights and beauty that Canada and Alaska offer.

Kenneth is lovingly remembered by a daughter, Pam Ryan, Rochester; a son, Bob Saine and wife Linda, Ewing, Ky.; 8 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren;

two sisters, Patsy Shine and husband Earl, Beaverton, Ore., and Shirley Clark and husband John, Black Hills, S.D.; and numerous nieces and nephews. Kenneth was preceded in death by his parents; wife; seven sisters, Mamie, Esther, Millie, Mabel, Ethel, Della, Hazel; and brother Ernest Jr.

A celebration of the life of Kenneth E. Saine will be at 2 p.m. on Monday, June 12, 2017, with Chaplain Timothy Lee officiating. Friends may visit with the family from noon-2 p.m. on Monday at the funeral home. Interment will be in Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Fulton County Heart Fund through the Northern Indiana Community Foundation, 715 Main St., Rochester, IN 46975. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www. goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Sheryl J. Woods**

Sheryl J. Woods, 64, Rochester, died June 3, 2017, at South Bend Hospice House.

Survivors include two sons, Mike Woods, and Matt Woods, both of Rochester; and a sister, Diana Shoemaker, Akron.

Her funeral service with visitation is 4-7 p.m. Wednesday at the Good Family Funeral Home.

Monday June 12, 2017

No Obituaries

Tuesday June 13, 2017

### **Sheryl ‘Sheri’ J. Woods**

Jan. 29, 1953 - June 3, 2017

Sheryl “Sheri” J. Woods, 64, Rochester, passed away at 12:05 a.m. Saturday, June 3, 2017, at the Center for Hospice Care, South Bend.

On Jan. 29, 1953, Sheryl was born in Rochester. She was a treasured daughter of Robert Henry and Barbara Pontious Schwier. Growing up, she shared her childhood with a sister, Diana. With great Flyer pride, Sheri graduated with the Akron High School Class of 1971.

During the early years, Sheri volunteered at the Pontious Nursing Home in Rochester. With a soft spot for seniors, she continued to volunteer as a bingo

caller. Her calling days evolved into playing days, and Sheri could masterfully play multiple cards.

Each spring brought on the mushroom hunting. Sheri enjoyed searching through her favorite secret woods looking for the morels. She traveled with her friends, Ann and Linda to explore Shipshewana in search of the perfect bargain. She also valued the friendships she made as well as the great bargains she garnered at garage sales and auctions.

A woman of great independence, Sheri was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis back in 1978. She persevered through life's journey with great faith and a positive attitude. She prevailed and was victorious. Protective of her family and friends, Sheri was there to help everyone as a mother hen with all of the daily challenges. She leaves a great legacy of a positive spirit and helping heart.

Left to cherish the memory of Sheri are two sons, Mike Woods and wife Lisa, and Matt Woods and wife Rachel, all of Rochester; granddaughter Ciara Dawn Woods; a sister, Diana Shoemaker and husband Jerry, Akron; two nieces, Angie Hudkins and husband Todd, and Kristin Will and husband Adam; a nephew, Craig Merrill; and her canine companion, Brody, a caramel-colored Yorkie. Sheryl was preceded in death by her parents.

A celebration of the life of Sheryl J. Woods will be from 4-7 p.m. Wednesday, June 14, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. On Saturday, June 17, 2017, at 10 a.m. there will be a graveside service at the Athens-Hoover Cemetery, located on the east edge of Athens. Pastor Terry Baldwin will officiate. Memorials may be made to the Multiple Sclerosis Association of America, 375 Kings Highway North, Cherry Hill, N.J. 08034. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Douglas G. Cultice**

Douglas G. Cultice, 77, Argos, died Saturday at home.

Survivors include his wife, Jacqueline, Argos; and his daughters, Shay L. Cultice, LaPaz, and Kelly K. Bronkema, Edwardsburg, Mich.

His funeral service is 10 a.m. Friday at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos. Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

### **Charles W. Gray**

Charles W. Gray, 70, Kewanna, died Saturday at home.

Survivors include his wife, Lou Gray, Kewanna; his daughter, Betty Morgan, Fleming, Ohio; his sons, Charles Gray, Wimauma, Fla., and Benjamin Gray, Fulton; and his brother, Bob Gray, Logansport.

A memorial service is at 6 p.m. July 1, 2017, at Charles' home, 5185 W. 400 South, Kewanna. Arrangements are handled by Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home and Cremation Services.

### **Skyler Kruse**

Skyler Kruse, 29, Quantico, Va., died May 14, 2017, at home. Her memorial service is 3 p.m. July 8, 2017, at St. John Lutheran Church, Rochester.

### **Patricia S. Miller**

Patricia S. Miller, 68, Mexico, died Saturday at St. Vincent Hospital, Indianapolis. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

Wednesday June 14, 2017

### **Phyllis Jean Geyer**

March 2, 1931 - June 12, 2017

Phyllis Jean Geyer, 86, passed away at 7:38 a.m. on Monday, June 12, 2017, at the Hospice House of South Bend.

Mrs. Geyer was born on March 2, 1931, in Walkerton to the late George and Dorothy (Fall) Holland. She was also preceded in death by her stepfather, Raymond Rans, and an infant brother.

Mrs. Geyer has been a lifelong resident of Lakeville. On Nov. 26, 1950, in Lakeville, Phyllis and Loren Roger Geyer were united in marriage. Loren preceded her in death on Nov. 16, 2010.

Mrs. Geyer is survived by her three daughters, Debra (Richard) Gardner, Rochester, Cindy (Randy) Frick, Lakeville, and Lori (Robert) Gibson, Rochester; six grandchildren, Christopher (Betsy) Gardner, Andrew (Samantha) Gardner, Kimberly Gardner, Ryan (Jennifer) Frick, Chad (Kristina) Frick and Dana Gibson; eleven great-grandchildren, Kirsta, Caleb, Loren, James, Gretchen, McKenzie, Madilyn, Lyla, Kaitlyn, Kelsey, and Jacob; two stepbrothers, Mike Rans, Florida, and James (Julie) Rans, Granger; and a foster sister, Diana (Chuck) Pennington, Granger.

Mrs. Geyer was a former telephone operator at the main switchboard and bookkeeper for Hummel Lumber Company. She also worked alongside her husband while he was the township trustee for Union Township. Mrs. Geyer was also the clerk for Warren and North Township. She has been a faithful member of Lakeville United Methodist Church.

Her funeral service will be at 11 a.m. on Friday, June 16, 2017, at the Lakeville United Methodist Church, 610 N. Michigan Street. Pastor Neil Davis, hospice chaplain, will officiate. A graveside service and burial will follow at Lakeville Cemetery. Friends may visit with the family from 4-8 p.m. on Thursday, June 15, 2017, at the Palmer Funeral Home, located within the Palmer Community Complex, 601 N. Michigan Street, Lakeville. Friends may also visit with the family one hour prior to the funeral service at the Lakeville United Methodist Church on Friday. In lieu of flowers, contributions in memory of Phyllis Geyer may be donated to the Union-North Ambulance Service, P.O. Box 510, Lakeville, IN 46536, or to the Hospice Foundation, 501 Comfort Place, Mishawaka, IN 46545. Online condolences may be offered to the family at [www.palmerfuneralhomes.com](http://www.palmerfuneralhomes.com).

### **Gerald Allan Lange**

Aug. 16, 1940 - June 11, 2017

Gerald Allan Lange, 76, Isle of Palms, S.C., husband of the late Carol Jean Zent Lange, died Sunday, June 11, 2017. The family will receive friends on Friday, June 16, 2017, in J. Henry Stuhr, Inc., Mount Pleasant Chapel, 1494 Mathis Ferry Road, Mount Pleasant, S.C., from 4-7 p.m.

Gerald was born Aug. 16, 1940, in Winamac, the only son of the late Harold A. Lange and the late Annamae Paulsen Lange. He was a graduate of Purdue University and served in the Indiana National Guard. Gerald was a retired pharmacist and a member of the Indiana Pharmacy Association, the South Carolina Pharmacy Association and the Purdue University Alumni Association. He was an avid sports fan, especially of the Chicago Cubs and the Chicago Bears. He was a member of the Isle of Palms Baptist Church.

He is survived by four sons, Andy Lange (Melissa), Charleston, S.C., Brian Lange (Jamie), Buchanan, Mich., Todd Walters (Dee Dee), Westfield, and Tim Walters (Julie), Brownsburg; 10 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association South Carolina Chapter, 2090 Executive Hall Road, Suite 130, Charleston, SC 29407. A memorial

message may be sent to the family by visiting the funeral home's website at [www.jhenrystuhr.com](http://www.jhenrystuhr.com).

### **Patricia S. Miller**

Patricia S. Miller 68, Mexico, and formerly of Rochester, died Saturday at St. Vincent Hospital, Indianapolis.

Survivors include her children, Pavo Kent, Plymouth, and Donald Kent, West Chazy, N.Y.

No service is scheduled at this time. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

Thursday June 15, 2017

### **John E. Shiffer**

May 2, 1943 - June 13, 2017

John E. Shiffer, 74, Indianapolis and summertime resident of Lake Manitou, departed this life Tuesday, June 13, 2017.

He was born May 2, 1943, in Joliet, Ill., to the late John L. and Pearl T. (Rosa) Shiffer. John was a graduate of Joliet High School and then earned his Bachelor of Science from North Central College in Naperville, Ill.

He began his lifelong teaching career at Glenbard East High School where he would meet his wife, Helen. Shortly thereafter, John enrolled at Northern Illinois University where he earned his master's degree in education. Upon moving to Indianapolis in 1979, John continued teaching physical science and biology at Greenwood Community Middle School and then for 22 years at Brownsburg High School.

John was a kind and gentle soul who had never met a stranger. He lived for new experiences and meaningful memories. He would carefully plan an annual summertime adventure to a distant place. He loved meeting new friends everywhere he went and established many lifelong relationships in his travels. John especially loved his mission trip to South Africa, Longboat Key, Fla., Hawaii, Glacier National Park and shorter trips to the family cottage on Lake Manitou in Rochester. He was a dedicated volunteer at East 91st Street Christian Church where he sang in the choir and played his flute in the orchestra. John was a member of the Indiana State Teachers Association and the National Education Association. He was an Amway independent business owner since 1972.

John is survived by his beloved wife of 47 years, Helen Shiffer; children Ryan (Marci Louks) Shiffer and Angela (John) Ngigi; grandchildren Pauline, Rebecca and Maria; and dear cousin, JoAnn (Terry) Leonard.

Visitation for John will be from 4-7 p.m. on Friday, June 16, 2017, at Leppert Mortuary – Nora Chapel, Indianapolis. Additional visitation will begin at 10 a.m. on Saturday, June 17, 2017, at East 91st Street Christian Church, 6049 E. 91st St., Indianapolis, and conclude at the time of the funeral service at 11 a.m., also at the church. Interment follows at Oaklawn Memorial Gardens. Memorial contributions are suggested to be donated in John's name to East 91st Street Christian Church. Online tributes may be made at [www.leppertmortuary.com](http://www.leppertmortuary.com).

### **Anna R. Laughlin**

Anna R. Laughlin, 26, South Bend, died Tuesday at Memorial Hospital, South Bend.

Survivors include her mother, Tammy Bowser, Nappanee; her father, Randall Laughlin, Mentone; her sister, Kimberly Hanes, Nappanee; and her brother, Jessie Laughlin, California.

Her funeral service is 7 p.m. Friday at Hartzler Funeral Home. Visitation is 5 p.m. to the time of the service Friday at the funeral home.

### **Larry J. Bucks**

Larry J. Bucks, 78, Rochester, died Wednesday at home. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

Friday June 16, 2017

### **Larry Joe Bucks**

March 22, 1939 - June 14, 2017

Larry Joe Bucks, 78, Rochester, and formerly of Kewanna, passed away at 5:58 p.m. on June 14, 2017, at his residence.

He was born on March 22, 1939, in Winamac, the son of Joseph E. and Mable P. (Miller) Yoder Bucks. On Dec. 6, 1969, at the Kewanna Methodist Church, he married Patricia Boissier. She survives.

Larry graduated from Grass Creek High School and began his working career at International Harvester, Kewanna. For the next 50 years, he worked as a long-haul truck driver after beginning his career with Navajo trucking. After retirement, Larry enjoyed working in the maintenance department of Woodlawn



Hospital, Rochester. He was a member of the Grace United Methodist Church, Rochester, and a member of the Fulton Masonic Lodge, Fulton.

In his spare time, he enjoyed woodworking, attending auctions, loved spending time with his family, and enjoyed the companionship of his three dogs, Cooper, Clayton, and Muffy.

He is survived by his wife, Pat, Rochester; his children, Kathy and husband Raymond Franko, Winamac, Chris and wife Kim Schramm, Winamac, Laura and husband J.T. Mays, Winamac, and Susie and husband Jim Downhour, Rochester; 16 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; grandson Jerad A. Mays; sister "Sis" and her husband Forrest Baker; and brother Bill and wife Henrietta Yoder.

His funeral service will be at 11 a.m. on Saturday, June 17, 2017, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Friends may call from 4-7 p.m. on Friday, June 16, 2017, at the funeral home. There will be a Masonic service at 6 p.m. on Friday. Burial will be at the Kewanna Citizens IOOF Cemetery. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Dale Alan Miller**

March 10, 1952 - June 7, 2017

After a courageous six-month battle with lymphatic cancer, Dale Alan Miller died peacefully in his own home surrounded by his family and friends on June 7, 2017. A memorial service in Dale's honor will be on Saturday, June 17, 2017, at 1:30 p.m. at Walker Funeral Home in Crosby, Texas. A memorial service will be held for friends and family in Rochester at a later date.

Dale, born March 10, 1952, in Rochester, to Carl and Lois Miller, was the youngest of four children. He is survived by his beloved companion, Betsy Wheeler; his brother, Rich Miller and wife Joyce, Kansas City, Mo.; his sister, Susan Garpow and husband Dan, Rochester; and his brother, Phil Miller, Rochester. Also Dale leaves behind his sons, Ian Miller and Kevin Smith and wife Tricia Smith; and his daughter, Kacy Barnaba and husband Stephen. Beloved to him were his four grandchildren, Korey and Kody Smith and Lacy and Macy Barnaba; and his four great-grandchildren, Ayden, Jace, and Lillian Nowell and Easton Smith.

Dale was well-loved by his many nieces and nephews and his co-workers, friends, and beach buddies. He never knew a stranger and was generous to a fault. Dale loved life and was a beloved brother and a dedicated father, pawpaw, and friend. Dale's favorite saying was "Life is good."

Dale graduated from Caston High School in 1970 and worked at Rochester Homes from 1972-1974. He joined Winamac Steel from 1974 to 1981 as a machinist. The family moved to Houston, Texas, where he continued as a machinist in 1981 and 1982. His next position was with Baker Performance Chemicals as a production operator in 1982, later moving to being a supervisor there. When the plant on Highway 90 in Dayton was sold to Huntsman Corporation, he continued there, retiring on Nov. 24, 2014, with 32 years of service.

In lieu of flowers, friends may give to the VFW Post 9761, P.O. Box 731, Crosby, TX 77532, in his memory.

Saturday June 17, 2017

**Zachery A. Pierce**

Zachery A. Pierce, 27, Waukesha, Wis., died March 26, 2017.

Survivors include two sons, Dominec Pierce and Dante Pierce; his parents, Donald and Carolyn Raska, Rochester; four sisters, Penelope Prater, Texas, Anna Nicole Stanley, Warsaw, Jamie Painter, Illinois, and Amber Sauer, Illinois; and three brothers, Michael High, North Carolina, Braxton Raska, Rochester, and James Raska, Illinois.

A memorial service is noon Monday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 11 a.m. to the time of the service Monday at the funeral home.

Monday June 19, 2017

No Obituaries

Tuesday June 20, 2017

**Karen M. Grimm**

Karen M. Grimm, 70, Clinton, Ark., died April 28, 2017, at home.

Survivors include her husband, James R. Grimm; her sons, James M. Grimm, Rochester, and Daniel R. Grimm, Clinton, Ark.; a brother, David McCarthy, Ocala, Fla.; and a sister, JoAnne Wingereid, Loveland, Ohio.

Her memorial service is 1-4 p.m. Sunday at Crawford Park, 1000 E. Mishawaka Ave., Mishawaka.

Wednesday June 21, 2017

**Ashley Nicole DeMont**

May 4, 2000 - June 19, 2017

Ashley Nicole DeMont, 17, died at 4:04 p.m. June 19, 2017, at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne, from injuries she sustained in an automobile accident. Ashley shared her time between both her parents. She was born on May 4, 2000, in Plymouth, to Dan DeMont and Jessica (Wargo) DeMont and had lived all of her life in Marshall County.

Ashley enjoyed time with both her parents. She worked for Brian Clark Forage, Argos, and Ponderosa in Plymouth.

Ashley was going to start her senior year at Argos High School this fall, where she was actively involved in Argos Leos Club and BPA – Business Professionals of America. She had attended Trinity United Methodist Church in Plymouth. Those close to Ashley knew of her love of the outdoors, either fishing or hunting. She had a big heart and a smile to go along with it.

Ashley is survived by her parents, Jessica DeMont and fiancé Jimmy Buffington, Plymouth, and Dan DeMont and wife Karen, Argos; her sisters, Courtney DeMont, Erin Edwards, and Mya DeMont; her brother, Colton Edwards; and her grandparents, Bill and Sharon Wargo, Casa Grande, Ariz., Ed and Sharon DeMont, Plymouth, and Julia Campbell and Brian Clark, Argos. She was preceded in death by her grandmother, Shirley Wargo.

Friends may visit with the family on Friday, June 23, 2017, from 4-8 p.m. at the Trinity United Methodist Church, 425 S. Michigan St., Plymouth. Her funeral service will be on Saturday, June 24, 2017, at 10 a.m. at the church with the Rev. Bob Land of the church officiating. Memorial contributions may be made in memory of Ashley to the Kirsten Ganshorn Family.

Thursday June 22, 2017

**Anna Slone**

Anna Slone, 94, Mentone, died Wednesday. Arrangements are pending at King Memorial Home.

**Marjorie A. Braun**

Marjorie A. Braun, 95, Winamac, died Tuesday at Pulaski Memorial Hospital, Winamac.

Survivors include her daughters, Carol Shafer, Plymouth, and Kay DeWitt, Royal Center; and her sister, Wilma Swindell, Sparta, Tenn.

Her funeral service is 11 a.m. EDT Monday at Frain Mortuary, Winamac. Visitation is 2-6 p.m. EDT Sunday at the funeral home.

Friday June 23, 2017

### **Phillip E. Perdue**

Phillip E. Perdue, 58, Norfolk, Va., and formerly of Rochester, died June 16, 2017, in Norfolk, Va.

Survivors include his wife, Melissa Perdue; his mother, Linda Perdue; and his sister, Kari Blackley.

His celebration of life is 2-4 p.m. Tuesday at WHRO TV station in Norfolk, Va.

### **Cara E. Sheppard**

Cara E. Sheppard, 29, Peru, died Monday at Dukes Memorial Hospital, Peru.

Survivors include her mother, Shelley Tanner, Bunker Hill; her father, Mitchell Sheppard, North Carolina; children Skieleigh M. Sheppard and Kit C. Fisher; and siblings Matthew J. Tanner, Peru, Mark B. Bryant, Delaware, Chris Bryant, Delaware, Carrie A. Smith, Peru, Laura Rivera, Warsaw, Michael G. Sheppard, Peru, Scott A. Sheppard, Peru, and Christopher Sheppard, North Carolina.

Her funeral service will be at 1 p.m. Monday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver. Visitation is 11 a.m. to the time of the service on Monday at the funeral home.

### **Anna M. Slone**

Anna M. Slone, 94, Mentone, died Wednesday.

Survivors include her sons, Columbus Slone Jr., Warsaw, Donald Slone, Warsaw, Ronald Slone, Crossville, Tenn., Curtis Slone, Claypool, Richmond Slone, Etna Green, Jeff Slone, Warsaw, and Rick Slone, St. Joseph, Ill.; and her daughters, Virginia Brindle, Claypool, Janet Flannery, Silver Lake, and Christina Morehouse, Mentone.

Her funeral service is noon Saturday at First Freewill Baptist Church, 2503 W. 900 South, Silver Lake. Visitation is 10 a.m. to the time of the service Saturday at the church. Arrangements are handled by King Memorial Home.

Saturday June 24, 2017

### **Jerry P. Stowe**

Nov. 19, 1954 – May 30, 2017

Jerry P. Stowe, 62, Rochester, and formerly of Niles, Mich., passed away on May 30, 2017, in Fort Wayne.

Jerry was born on Nov. 19, 1954, to the late Robert Jr. and Jean (Peters) Stowe.

Jerry is survived by his brothers, Michael (Avaline) Stowe, Niles, Mich., and Stephen (Sandra) Stowe, Greenville, Mich.; stepbrothers Richard, Donald and David Barnes; and several nieces and nephews.

Jerry graduated from Niles High School in 1973. He loved music, and while in high school, he composed music and choreography for several songs that are still played by the Niles Band today. He honorably served in the Army from 1975-1977. Jerry worked in research and development and information technology for Modern Materials in Rochester.

A memorial service for Jerry will be on Wednesday, June 28, 2017, at 2 p.m. at Halbritter-Wickens Funeral Home, 615 E. Main St., Niles, Mich. Memorials for Jerry may be directed to the Niles High School Marching Band. Condolences to Jerry's family may be made at [www.halbritterfunerals.com](http://www.halbritterfunerals.com).

### **Kristina J. McIntyre**

Kristina J. McIntyre, 49, Rochester, died Thursday at Signature Healthcare of Fort Wayne.

Survivors include her husband, Michael; two daughters, Ashton Hall, Rochester, and Johanna E. McIntyre, Mount Vernon, Ill.; her son, Dustin J. McKee, Rochester; her sister, Linda Martin, Peru; and her brother, Bobby Holland, Peru.

Her funeral service is 4 p.m. Tuesday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 3 p.m. to the time of the service Tuesday at the funeral home.

Monday June 26, 2017

No Obituaries

Tuesday June 27, 2017

**Russell Lee ‘Pudge’ Egolf**

Dec. 13, 1938 - June 26, 2017

Russell Lee “Pudge” Egolf, 78, Rochester, passed into eternity at 12:31 a.m. Monday, June 26, 2017, at his home. He was born Dec. 13, 1938, in North Manchester, to Earl E. and Eleanor (Pratt) Egolf.

He leaves behind to cherish his memory his wife and soul mate, Janet Egolf, Rochester; two daughters, Jami (Jorge) Rodriguez, Scottsdale, Ariz., and Traci (Steve) Porretta, Eagle Mountain, Utah; and five grandchildren, Justin Rodriguez, Jenna Rodriguez, Jaryn Rodriguez, Jordan Rodriguez, and Vienna Porretta. He was preceded in death by his parents and his granddaughter, Vincenza Porretta.

Per Pudge’s request, there will be no calling or service. Arrangements are handled by Grandstaff-Hentgen Bender Chapel, North Manchester. Preferred memorials are the charity of the donor’s choice or the Fulton County Animal Adoption and Education Center. The memorial guest book for Pudge may be signed at [www.grandstaff-hentgen.com](http://www.grandstaff-hentgen.com).

**Kenneth Freels**

Kenneth Freels, 86, Spring Hill, Fla., and formerly of the Fulton area, died Sunday.

Survivors include his brothers, Walter Freels Jr., Gene Freels, Audry Freels, Clayton Freels, and Roger Freels; and his sisters, Shirley Shepard, Katrina Clevenger, and Vivian King.

His funeral arrangements are pending at this time.

Wednesday June 28, 2017

No Obituaries

Thursday June 29, 2017

No Obituaries

Friday June 30, 2017

**Sue McCowan**

Sue McCowan, 71, Rochester, died Thursday at home. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

Saturday July 1, 2017

**Sue McCowan**

Sue McCowan, 71, Rochester, died Thursday at home.

Survivors include her husband, Maris; her daughters, Annette Hines, Charlestown, and Julie Franz, Crown Point; her son, Scott D. McCowan, Indianapolis; and her sister, Shirley J. Stoner, Macy.

A private family service will occur. Arrangements are handled by Good Family Funeral Home.

Monday July 3, 2017

**Sue McCowan**

July 6, 1945 – June 29, 2017

Mrs. Sue McCowan, 71, of Rochester, passed away at 7:01 a.m. Thursday, June 29, 2017, at her residence.

On July 6, 1945, Sue was born in Gary. She was the treasured daughter of Thomas Gene and Patricia M. Barnett. Growing up, she shared her childhood with two brothers and a sister. She graduated in 1964 from Merrillville Senior High School.

Sue and Maris “Moe” McCowan were married on April 1, 1964, in Bardstown, Tenn. They have shared 53 years of life’s adventures. From their union came three wonderful children, Annette, Julie and Scott. Over the years, their family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of eight grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

For more than 25 years, Sue was a dedicated member of the St. Anthony’s Medical Center team in Crown Point. She served as supervisor of the central supply for the hospital, retiring in 1996. It was at this time that she and Moe decided to move to the country, coming to Fulton. County.

Sue and Moe were members of The Cross. She enjoyed the challenges of Sudoku and crossword puzzles. Gifted with her hands and an eye for craftiness,

Sue crocheted dollies, afghans and quilts. She expressed herself artistically with stained-glass and ceramics. To relax she enjoyed old classic country music. Her favorite group was the Oak Ridge Boys. Grandma Sue enjoyed the return home of her family at the holidays and for special family celebrations.

Left to cherish the memories of Sue are her husband, Moe; two daughters, Annette Hines and husband Mark, of Charlestown, Julie Franz and husband Eric, of Crown Point; a son, Scott David McCowan and wife Jessica Ann, of Indianapolis; eight grandchildren, Marissa Hines, Austin Franz, Brett McCowan, Kristi McCowan, Shayna Franz, Brandon McCowan, Kara McCowan, Kendall McCowan; six great-grandchildren, Payton Huff, Ruby, Trinity, Emily, Kinley McCowan, Liana McCowan; sister, Shirley Jean Stoner and husband Albert, of Macy. Preceding Sue in death are her parents and two brothers, Thomas Gene Barnett and Curtis Gene Barnett.

Private family services will be held for Sue. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Good Family Funeral Home of Rochester. Online expressions of sympathy may be sent to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **George R. Rentschler**

May 19, 1932 – June 29, 2017

George Raymond Rentschler, 85, Rochester, passed away at 5:03 a.m. Thursday, June 29, 2017, at his residence.

He was born on May 19, 1932, in Fulton County, the son of George A. Jr. and Dessie (Buchanan) Rentschler. On March 6, 1955, in Fulton, he married Frances Nellene Tilden and she survives.

Mr. Rentschler served with the United States Army during the Korean War. He had been a dedicated farmer and had also served as a Fulton County Commissioner during the 1970s. In his spare time, he enjoyed playing cards but especially enjoyed spending time with his family.

Survivors include his wife, Nellene Rentschler, Rochester; children, Reesa and husband Michael Mills, Garland, Texas, Leesa and husband Larry See, Twelve Mile, Timothy and wife Melanie Rentschler, Rochester; fourteen grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; sister, Helen King, Rochester; and several nieces, nephews and cousins. He was preceded in death by his brothers, Carl D. Rentschler, Byron "Barney" Rentschler and Joseph Rentschler.

Private services have been conducted. Burial was in the Fulton Cemetery, Fulton. Memorial contributions may be made to the Fulton County Animal Adoption and Education Center. Arrangements were handled by Zimmerman Bros.



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

Tuesday July 4, 2017

Holiday-No Paper

Wednesday July 5, 2017

**Irene C. Mahoney**

Irene C. Mahoney, 86, Southfield, Mich., and formerly of Rochester, died Tuesday at home. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

**Martha Harding**

Martha Harding, 82, Peru, died Monday at Blair Ridge Health Campus, Peru. Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home.

Thursday July 6, 2017

**Joseph E. Maddux**

Joseph E. Maddux, 74, Kent, Wash., and formerly of Athens, died June 27, 2017, in Kent, Wash.

Survivors include his wife, Janet Chien-I Maddux, Kent, Wash.; his daughter, Jessica Leader, Seattle, Wash.; and his son, Jason Maddux, Sitka, Alaska.

His funeral service was 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at Tahoma National Cemetery, Kent, Wash.

**Martha Harding**

Martha Harding, 82, Peru, died Monday at Blair Ridge Health Campus, Peru.

Survivors include her daughters, Donita Huffman, Peru, and Janet Tuley, Macy; her son, Larry Doolittle, Logansport; her sister, Carol Ann Beenblossom, Saucier, Miss.; and her brother, Michael Broadley, Redmond, Ore.

Her funeral is 7 p.m. Wednesday at Hartzler Funeral Home. Visitation is 5:30 p.m. to the time of the service Wednesday at the funeral home.

**Stuart M. Shippy**

Stuart M. Shippy, 84, Rochester, died Wednesday at home. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

**Elizabeth D. Good**

Elizabeth D. Good, 40, Plymouth, died Tuesday at home.

Survivors include her husband, Rob Good, Plymouth; her daughters, C'airra Stephens, Plymouth, and Isabella Fuentes, Plymouth; her sons, Ryan Harley, Plymouth, and Johnny Sharpe, Plymouth; her mother, Barbara Callahan, Rochester; her father, Jeffrey Harley, Rochester; her sisters, Toni Fore, Sarasota, Fla., and Sarah Callahan, Winamac; and her brother, Charles Callahan, Rochester.

Her funeral service is 11 a.m. Monday at the Argos United Methodist Church, 570 N. Michigan St. Visitation is 2-6 p.m. Sunday at the church. Arrangements are handled by Earl-Grossman Funeral Home.

**Courtney E. Moyer**

Courtney E. Moyer, 35, Plymouth, died Sunday at home. Survivors include her husband, Garth Moyer, Plymouth.

Her funeral service is 10 a.m. Saturday at the First United Church of Christ, 321 W. Center St., Plymouth. Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Friday at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos.

**Hugh F. Fuller Jr.**

Hugh F. Fuller Jr., 56, Claypool, died Monday at home.

Survivors include his mother, Mary Ann Fuller, Converse; his sons, Dan and Aaron; his two daughters, Crystal and Jacqueline; and his brother, Buff; and two sisters.

No visitation or funeral service will occur. Arrangements are handled by Hartzler Funeral Home.

Friday July 7, 2017

**Stuart M. Shippy**

Stuart M. Shippy, 84, Rochester, died Wednesday at home.

Survivors include his wife, Janet; three daughters, Brenda Hughes, Debra Schaffer, and Candace K. Patton, all of Rochester; a son, Brian D. Shippy,

Rochester; and three sisters, Janis Swank, Kendallville, Betty Chapman, New Carlisle, and Susan Walters, South Bend.

His celebration of life is 10 a.m. Tuesday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Monday and one hour prior to the service Tuesday at the funeral home.

### **Robert L. Gordon Sr.**

Feb. 19, 1924 - July 5, 2017

Robert L. Gordon Sr., 93, Lucerne, went home to be with the Lord at 9:24 a.m. Wednesday, July 5, 2017, at St. Vincent Hospital, Indianapolis.

He was born Feb. 19, 1924, in Kewanna, to Eugene L. and Maude A. (Robbins) Gordon. He married Rose Ann Daugherty on May 28, 1950, in Fulton. She survives.

He graduated from Macy High School, the International Business College, Manchester University, and The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville and earned his master's degree from Indiana University.

Bob taught at Lewis Cass Junior-Senior High School from 1964-1985. He pastored several churches: Miami Baptist Church, Mt. Moriah Baptist Church, Adams, and Mill Creek Baptist Church, Mill Creek.

Surviving family includes his wife, Rose Ann Gordon, Lucerne; daughter Ruth G. (Wayne) Wanner, Stone Mountain, Ga.; two sons, Robert (Sarah) Gordon Jr., Lucerne, and David (Candice) Gordon, Torrance, Calif.; daughter Elizabeth Bush, Macy; grandchildren Andrea Corso, Emily Gordon and Sara Phillips; and great-grandchildren Jack and Chance Phillips. He was preceded in death by his parents, infant son, and his siblings.

A celebration of life service will be at 4 p.m. Sunday, July 9, 2017, at Murray-Weaver Funeral Home, Galveston. Friends may visit from 2 p.m. until the time of the service at 4 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home. It was Bob's wish that everyone wear bright colors to the service. Murray-Weaver Funeral Home in Galveston is in charge of arrangements. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given to the Southeastern Junior-Senior High School Scholarship Fund in Bob's honor. Friends may also leave a condolence for the family at [www.murrayweaverfuneralhome.com](http://www.murrayweaverfuneralhome.com).

### **Irene C. Mahoney**

Sept. 16, 1930 - July 4, 2017

Irene C. Mahoney, 86, formerly of Rochester, passed away at 2:04 p.m. Tuesday, July 4, 2017, at her daughter's residence in Southfield, Mich.

She was born on Sept. 16, 1930, in Chicago, Ill., the daughter of John and Hattie (Golding) Hubers. On May 26, 1951, in Chicago, Ill., she married Thomas E. Mahoney. He preceded her in death in 2005.

Mrs. Mahoney had been a homemaker and also had worked at the former First National Bank and Helt Realty as a real estate agent, both in Rochester. She was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church and an active member with the Fulton County Democratic Women's Club.

Survivors include her children, Thomas John and wife Mary Mahoney, Elmwood Park, Ill., Barbara and husband Mike Deniston, South Bend, Margaret Ann "Peggy" and husband Dave Ewick, Southfield, Mich., and Robert Alan Mahoney and partner Russ Barefield, Evanston, Ill.; grandchildren Kevin Mahoney, Katie Mahoney, Chip Tate, Joanie Tate, and Joey Ewick; and great-grandchildren Gabriel Klare, Madilyn Tate, McKenna Mahoney and Finn Mahoney. She was preceded in death by her parents, a sister, and a brother.

A celebration of life will be announced at a future date. In lieu of flowers, Irene requested that donations be made to the National Wildlife Federation or for people to perform a random act of kindness in her memory. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

Saturday July 8, 2017

### **Stuart Milton 'Stu' Shippy**

Dec. 23, 1932 - July 5, 2017

Mr. Stuart Milton "Stu" Shippy, 84, Rochester, passed away at 1:49 p.m. Wednesday, July 5, 2017, at his residence.

On Dec. 23, 1932, Stuart was born in Kendallville. He was the treasured son of Emmett and Mildred Johnson Shippy. Growing up, he shared his childhood with four sisters.

In 1950, he graduated from New Carlisle High School among the top 10 academically. Patriotism beckoned, and Stuart answered the call, serving with the United States Navy for a four-year stint. His service was during the Korean War.

In Elkhart on Feb. 26, 1959, Stuart married the love of his life, Janet Sue Leazenby. They shared 58 years of life's adventures. From their union came four

wonderful children, three daughters and a son. The family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of 12 grandchildren and 26 great-grandchildren.

Left to cherish the memory of Stuart are his wife, Janet; three daughters, Brenda Hughes, Debra Schaffer, and Candace K. Patton and husband Bobby, all of Rochester; a son, Brian D. Shippy and wife Pamela, Rochester; 13 grandchildren, James David Hughes and wife Autumn, Lindsey Randall and husband Terry, Jason Brown and wife Sabrina, Travis Nicklaus and wife Cassandra, Jessica Beatty and husband Logan, Morgan Strunk and husband William, Tara Zimmerman and husband Aaron, Britney Flory and husband Nathan, Brandon Shippy and wife Staci, Bobby Lee Patton II and wife Darci, Amanda Sue Patton, Jonathan Stuart Patton, and Kyle Lee Jackson; 25 great-grandchildren, Krystal, Shayde, Rosalie, Alexander, Elizabeth, Briana, Cadence, Paitynn, Roman, Emma, Riley, Ciara, twins Hayden and Hunter, born on their great-grandpa's birthday, Ava, Athena, Aaden, Kendall, Brayson, Kinley, Caedra, Zhayden, Haisley, Makenna, and Wyatt; three sisters, Janis Swank and husband Don, Kendallville, Betty Chapman and husband Jerry, New Carlisle, and Susan Walters and husband Ed, South Bend; best friends Naomi and Leon Milcherska; and several nieces and nephews.

Stuart was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Patricia Wolff, in 2016; and close friends, Tom Ness, Russell Nickerson and George Jergowski.

A celebration of the life of Stuart M. Shippy will be at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, July 11, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Friends may visit with the family from 4-8 p.m. on Monday and one hour prior to the service on Tuesday at the funeral home. Chaplain Jason See will officiate. Military rites will be conducted by the Fulton County Veterans Honor Guard and the U.S. Navy Honors Team. A graveside service will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 11, 2017, at the Lakeview Cemetery, Kendallville. Memorials may be made to the National Kidney Foundation, 30 E. 33rd St., New York, N.Y. 10016. To read more about Stuart's life, or to send electronic expressions of sympathy, go to [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Monday July 10, 2017

**Esther E. Miller**

March 23, 1928 - July 7, 2017

Esther E. Miller, 89, Rochester, passed away Friday, July 7, 2017, at 6:55 p.m. at WoodBridge Health Campus, Logansport.

She was born March 23, 1928, in Fulton County to the late Noble O. and Vernie (Fry) Goodner. On June 18, 1946, in Fulton, she married Wayne “Hip” Miller. He preceded her in death on Feb. 5, 2012.

Esther was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church of Rochester and attended the Fulton Baptist Temple.

Survivors include one daughter, Penny Duncan, Rochester; one son, Kenny (Barb) Miller, Rochester; one sister, Dorothy Burton, Peoria, Ariz.; five grandchildren, Cindy (Tony) Trent, Fulton, Lori (Jeremy) Remley, South Bend, Chris (Dawn) Duncan, Carmel, Matt (Beth) Duncan, Fishers, and Jennifer (Patrick) Goins, Cincinnati, Ohio; six great-grandchildren, Tyler Remley and Carly Remley, both of South Bend, Parker Goins and Ellie Goins, both of Cincinnati, Ohio, and Evelyn and Vivian Duncan, both of Fishers; two nieces and two nephews; and several great-nieces and great-nephews. One brother, Walter Goodner, and two sisters, Vera Goodner and Mary L. Goodner-Norris, preceded Esther in death.

A celebration of life will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, July 12, 2017, at the Gundrum Funeral Home with Pastor Bruce Russell officiating. Burial will follow in the Fulton Cemetery. Visitation will be from 4-7 p.m. Tuesday, July 11, 2017, at Gundrum Funeral Home. Memorial contributions may be made to the Fulton Baptist Temple. Friends and family may sign Esther’s guest book and send online condolences at [www.gundrumcares.com](http://www.gundrumcares.com).

### **Shirley A. Leazenby**

Shirley A. Leazenby, 80, Mexico, died Friday at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Survivors include her husband, Albert H. Leazenby, Mexico; her son, Randy L. Leazenby, Lafayette; two sisters, Nancy Blackmore, Colorado, and Judy Laflin, Mongo; and three brothers, Larry and Ron Strayer, LaGrange County, and Donald Strayer, Tampa, Fla.

Her funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Thursday at New Life United Methodist Church, Mexico. Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Wednesday at the church. Arrangements are handled by McClain Funeral Home.

Tuesday July 11, 2017

No Obituaries

Wednesday July 12, 2017

### **Alexander T. Beam**

Infant Alexander T. Beam, Argos, died Friday at Woodlawn Hospital. Survivors include his parents, Ryan and Katelyn Beam, Argos.

His funeral service is 1 p.m. Saturday at the Plymouth Church of Jesus Christ, 11181 12th Road, Argos. Arrangements are handled by Good Family Funeral Home.

### **Ralph L. Clupper**

Aug. 24, 1926 - July 11, 2017

Ralph L. Clupper, 90, Rochester, passed away at 1:30 a.m. Tuesday, July 11, 2017, at his residence.

He was born on Aug. 24, 1926, in Leesburg, the son of Hugh and Letha Marie (Sutton) Clupper. He served with the United States Army during the Korean War with the 70th Tank Battalion, receiving two purple hearts. On May 27, 1953, in South Haven, Mich., he married Bonnie L. Zimmerman. She preceded him in death on Feb. 13, 2017.

Mr. Clupper had been a carpenter and retired from Sears and Roebuck Company as construction manager. He oversaw the development and construction of the Sears Tower in Chicago, Ill., as well as Sears Retail Stores throughout a 13-state region. He had been a member of the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars posts, the Moose Lodge and the Eagles Lodge. In his leisure time, he enjoyed hunting, fishing and spending time with his family.

Survivors include his children, Terry and husband Steve Coleman, Rochester, Mary and husband John Schultz, Rochester, Julie Wilburn, Rochester, Viki and husband Dave Lawson, Rochester, Mark and wife Julie Clupper, Kewanna, and Matt and wife Stephanie Clupper, Columbia City; 19 grandchildren; and 31 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his brother, Cecil Clupper; an infant brother; and sister Louise Moon.

His funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday, July 14, 2017, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Friends may visit from 4-7 p.m. Thursday and one hour prior to the service Friday at the funeral home. Military graveside services conducted by the Fulton County Veterans Honor Guard and interment will be at Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester. Memorial contributions may be made to the Nick Patterson Memorial Scholarship Fund through the Northern Indiana Community Foundation. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

**David L. Conover**

May 25, 1961 - July 11, 2017

David L. Conover, 56, Rochester, passed away at 5:30 a.m. Tuesday, July 11, 2017, at his residence.

He was born on May 25, 1961, in Crown Point, the son of Adrian and Hazel Irene (Waltz) Conover. On Jan. 27, 1980, in Rochester, he married Penny A. Becker. She survives.

Mr. Conover had previously worked for McMahan-O'Connor Construction, Quality Quick Lube and at Topps Safety Apparel, all of Rochester. He enjoyed raising Rottweilers, hunting, fishing, gardening, go-karts, working as a mechanic and spending time on his ATV. He was an expert at smoking holiday hams and other meats.

Survivors include his wife, Penny A. Conover, Rochester; son Bradley Conover, Goshen; mother Hazel Irene Montague, Cape Coral, Fla.; brother Pete Conover, Cedar Lake; and his canine companions, Cooper and Zoey. He was preceded in death by his father and brother Mark Conover.

His funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, July 15, 2017, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with Pastor Jerry Pitman officiating. Friends may call from 9-11 a.m. Saturday at the funeral home. Burial will be at Westlawn Cemetery, Denver. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Antioch Baptist Church Missionary Fund. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

Thursday July 13, 2017

**Betty A. Thornton**

Betty A. Thornton, 87, Mentone, died Wednesday at her daughter's home. Arrangements are pending at King Memorial Home.

**Quinton Dale 'Red' Thiry**

Oct. 25, 1955 – July 11, 2017

Quinton Dale "Red" Thiry, 61, Rochester, passed away at 8:44 p.m. on Tuesday, July 11, 2017, at his residence.

Born Oct. 25, 1955, in Peru, he was the son of Paul G. Thiry and the former Nellie Spencer. He retired from Airvac after 29 years, where he worked as a machine operator and painter. He loved fishing, working on cars, spending time with family, and visiting with friends at the Rochester truck stop.



Survivors include his children, Jessy Thiry, Rochester, Jared Thiry (companion Mariah), Rochester, Joe (Michelle) Wolf III, Grovertown, and Josh Wolf-Bradway, Palestine; grandchildren Chayton Wolf, Maylee Wolf, Kanelee Jackson, and Jasmine M. Thiry, all of Rochester; siblings Paul W. (Irma) Thiry, Denver, twin sister Brenda (Herb) Herbruck, Massillon, Ohio, Ethel Thiry, Minerva, Ohio, Robert Jake Thiry, Peru, Midge (Jeff) Hendershot, Canton, Ohio, and Donald Hall, Minerva, Ohio; and several nieces, nephews and cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents, Paul Thiry and stepmother Mildred, and Nellie Hall and stepfather Walt; and one sister, Vickie Moore.

His funeral service will be at 4 p.m. on Friday, July 14, 2017, at McClain Funeral Home, Denver, with Pastor Johnny Spencer officiating. Burial will follow at Greenlawn Cemetery, Mexico. Visitation will be from 2-4 p.m. on Friday at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made through the funeral home to assist the family at this time of loss. The guest book may be signed at [www.mcclainfh.com](http://www.mcclainfh.com).

Friday July 14, 2017

### **Frederick ‘Gus’ Russell DeWitt**

March 31, 1934 - July 12, 2017

Frederick “Gus” Russell DeWitt, 83, Fulton, passed away at 1:37 p.m. on Wednesday, July 12, 2017, at IU Health University Hospital, Indianapolis.

Born March 31, 1934, in Cass County, he was the son of Russell Irvin and Edith Mary Nice DeWitt. On Sept. 29, 1967, at Bethlehem United Methodist Church, Twelve Mile, he was married to the former Rita Anne Wolf. She survives.

Gus was a 1952 graduate of Metea High School. He was then called to serve his country and was a United States Army veteran. He attended Fulton Baptist Temple.

Growing up on a farm, he worked with his parents and enjoyed farming in his younger years before moving to town. For many years, Gus worked in the automotive parts industry, working at Paul Richards Chevrolet, Peru, and NAPA, Rochester. He enjoyed fishing, woodworking, and watching sports. Gus was an avid collector of John Deere toy tractors.

Survivors include his wife, Rita Anne DeWitt, Fulton; children Melissa M. (Mark) Ray, Tennessee, Edward R. (Denise) DeWitt, Fulton, Mabelle A. (Bob) Shipp, Georgia, and Michael G. (Tanya) Pine, Rochester; 12 grandchildren; 13

great-grandchildren; many cousins, nieces, and nephews; and his beloved canine companion, Emilee.

His funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Monday, July 17, 2017, at McClain Funeral Home, Denver, with Pastor Bruce Russell officiating. Burial will follow in Greenlawn Cemetery, Mexico, with military honors being provided by the Miami County Military Rites Unit. Visitation will be from 10 a.m. until the time of service on Monday at the funeral home. McClain Funeral Home, Denver, has been entrusted with arrangements. The online guest book can be signed at [www.mcclainfh.com](http://www.mcclainfh.com).

### **Betty A. Thornton**

Jan. 6, 1930 - July 12, 2017

Betty A. Thornton, 87, Mentone, and formerly of Rochester, passed away at 11:25 a.m. Wednesday, July 12, 2017, at her daughter's residence in Mentone.

She was born on Jan. 6, 1930, in Warsaw, to Virgil and Mabel Louise (Franks) Cook. Her first marriage was to Paul Wiard. She then married Elmer "Bud" Thornton on Sept. 26, 1964. He passed away on April 18, 2009.

She had been the manager of Four Seasons Mobile Estates of Rochester for nearly 40 years. She was a 1948 graduate of Warsaw High School. She enjoyed reading books and in earlier years sewing and traveling.

Survivors include her daughters, Janet and husband Phillip Schoonover, Wheaton, Ill., and Joyce and husband Richard Harding, Mentone; her son, Bruce Wiard, Macy; her brother, Arden Cook, Warsaw; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, Virgil and Louise Cook; her husband, Elmer "Bud" Thornton; her sister, Donna Bowers; her daughter, Beverly Hile; and her stepson, Clifford Thornton.

Her funeral service is 11 a.m. Saturday, July 15, 2017, at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone, with Pastor Rick Johnson officiating. Burial will be in Citizens Cemetery, Rochester. Visitation is from 10-11 a.m. Saturday, July 15, 2017, at King Memorial Home, Mentone. Memorial contributions may be made to Betty's family. Family and friends may share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Keith L. Anderson**

Keith L. Anderson, 93, Logansport, died Saturday at Miller's Merry Manor, Logansport. Arrangements are pending at Ellers Mortuary.

Saturday July 15, 2017

**Laura J. Lewis**

Laura J. Lewis, 80, Rochester, died Friday at home.

Survivors include her husband, Jack; a daughter, Peggy Stover, Pierceton; two sons, Larry J. Adams, Coleman, Texas, and Ken Adams, Warsaw; and a brother, John Sayger.

Her funeral service is 10 a.m. Tuesday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 4-7 p.m. on Monday and one hour prior to the service Tuesday at the funeral home.

**Marjorie A. Enyart**

A memorial service for Marjorie A. Enyart, 93, South Bend, and formerly of Rochester, who died May 29, 2017, is 1 p.m. July 29, 2017, at Liberty Township Community Center, 3098 S. 800 E., Walkerton.

**Mildred Marie Miller Eller**

March 21, 1923 - July 14, 2017

Mildred Marie Miller Eller, 94, Roann, died at 10:20 a.m. Friday, July 14, 2017, at Hickory Creek, Rochester.

She was born March 21, 1923, in Miami County, to Abraham H. and Nellie H. (Keppel) Miller.

Mildred was a 1941 graduate of Roann High School. She worked at the Roann Post Office 34 years, the last 11 as the postmaster, retiring in October 1992. She had served on the Roann Library Board since 1995, was the secretary of the medical and postal building in Roann, and served as vice president of the Roann Development Corporation.

Mildred was a lifelong, 90-year member of the Roann United Methodist Church. She also was a member of the National Post Masters Association, the National League of Postmasters, and the National Association of Retired Federal Employees. She volunteered at the Roann Public Library and the food pantry. Mildred enjoyed her church activities, baking, and gardening and loved her family.

She is survived by two sons, Dan (Laura) Eller, Lowell, and Dennis (Susan) Eller, Rochester; four grandchildren, Sarah (Adam) Zink, Rochester, Andrew Eller, Westerville, Ohio, Jonathan (Emily) Eller, Chicago, Ill., and Ryan Eller, Indianapolis; three great-grandsons, Brayden Zink and Camden Zink, both of Rochester, and Harvey Eller, Chicago, Ill.; her sister, Phyllis Long, Fort Wayne;

and nieces and nephews Roberta (Arden) Gilmer, Florida, Barb (Randy) Swanson, Warsaw, Kathy Baker, Wabash, Sharon Harvey, South Carolina, Dottie (Jerry) Baker, La Porte, Tom (Ellen) Miller, South Carolina, Debbie (Frank) Ladd, Tennessee, and Doug (Sue) Long, Fort Wayne. She was preceded in death by her parents and two brothers, Gene and Robert Miller.

Her funeral service will be 2 p.m. Monday, July 17, 2017, at the Roann United Methodist Church, with Pastor Wayne Balmer officiating. Burial will be in the Roann Community Cemetery. Friends may call 2-6 p.m. Sunday, at Grandstaff-Hentgen Roann Chapel, 335 S. Chippewa Road, Roann, and one hour prior to the service Monday at the church. Preferred memorials are to Roann United Methodist Church or the Parkinson's Foundation. The memorial guest book for Mildred may be signed at [www.grandstaff-hentgen.com](http://www.grandstaff-hentgen.com).

### **Susan Shepherd**

Susan Shepherd, 62, Rochester, died Friday at home. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

Monday July 17, 2017

### **Keith L. Anderson**

Keith "Andy" L. Anderson passed away on July 8, 2017, at the age of 93. He was born and raised in Logansport as one of nine siblings born to the late Clemens and Ogle Miller Anderson.

After graduating from Logansport High School in 1942, he enlisted in the U.S. Army in April 1943 and served in the European Theater of Operations in Central Europe. During WWII's Battle of the Bulge, he received three Bronze Stars for meritorious service in combat and also was awarded the Military Victory Medal.

He was married on New Year's Eve in 1942 to the late Helen Abbott Anderson, the love of his life. He shared the next 58 years with her, and they were his happiest years.

Following his military service, he served on the Kokomo Police Department for 23 years and attained the rank of chief of police. Upon his retirement from the police force in 1978, he and his wife spent many happy years at Bruce Lake. He was a member of the Fraternal Order of Police of Kokomo and the Elks Club of St. Petersburg, Fla.

He was preceded in death by his eight siblings, Jack Anderson, Mary Engelbrecht, Dorothy Hauss, Martisha Thimlar, Kathryn Freeman, Eleanor Holsinger, Geneva Shuman and Virginia Anderson.

He is survived by many loving nieces and nephews and a very dear friend, Joe McLees. He never knew a stranger and enjoyed conversing with all he met. The staff at Miller Manor, where he resided the last month of his life, said they were always greeted with a smile.

Memorial contributions may be made to FOP Lodge 078 – “Cops for Kids,” 102 W. Markland Avenue, Kokomo, IN 46901. Funeral services will be at the Ellers Mortuary, 3400 Webster St., Kokomo, on Wednesday with calling from 10-11:30 a.m., followed by services at 11:30 a.m.

### **Terry Jordan**

Terry Jordan, 56, Rochester, died Sunday at home. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

### **Laura J. Lewis**

Nov. 9, 1936 – July 14, 2017

Laura Jean Lewis, 80, of Rochester, was surrounded by her loving family when she passed away at 7:05 a.m. Friday, July 14, 2017, at her home.

On Nov. 9, 1936, Laura Jean Sayger was born just east of Athens. She was the precious daughter of Herschel “Pete” Leroy and Mary Feece Sayger. As one of the twelve Sayger children, she was the eleventh. Growing up she shared her childhood with three sisters and seven brothers including Jack, who survives.

On Dec. 22, 1975, Laura married Jack Franklin Lewis. They were the Justice of the Peace Thelma Carr’s final wedding ceremony of her career. Together they shared more than 41 years of life’s adventures.

A faithful member of the Trinity United Methodist Church, Laura was a member of the ladies Bible study. She also studied the Word with the church’s co-ed study group and Jack. In earlier years, she enjoyed bowling as a member of the Hook’s ladies team at Country Lanes. Laura was devoted as a seamstress at Hart-Schaffner-Marx for more than 25 years, retiring when the Rochester office closed.

Left to cherish Laura’s memory are her husband Jack; a daughter, Peggy Stover and husband Kerry, of Pierceton; two sons, Larry Joe Adams and wife Shirley, of Coleman, Texas, Ken Adams and wife Robin, of Warsaw; stepchildren, Ted Allen Lewis, of South Dakota, Christina Marie Miller, of Rochester, Kelly Rene, of South Bend, Jodi Lee Lines; a brother, John “Jack” Sayger and wife

Elnora; nine grandchildren, Brian Adams and wife Miranda, Jennifer Adams, David Adams and wife Jessica, Patricia Adams, Amelia Adams, Lauren "Pete" Adams and wife Kylie, Angela Carr, Kimberly Dunnuck and husband Steve, Felicia Daeger and husband Scott; numerous stepgrandchildren; and 26 great-grandchildren. Preceding Laura in death are her parents; an infant daughter, Diana Sue Adams; three sisters, Maudie May, Nancy Ellen, Eliza Willodean; six brothers, Leroy, Maurice "Abe," Omer, Otis, Harry and Walter Allen; and an infant brother at birth.

A celebration of the life of Laura Jean Lewis will be at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, July 18, 2017, in the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Rev. Gail Law officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 4-7 p.m. Monday and one hour prior to the service in the funeral home. Interment will be in the Athens-Hoover Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Trinity United Methodist Church, 801 Jefferson St, Rochester, IN 46975. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Susan A. Shepherd**

Oct. 24, 1954 – July 14, 2017

Susan Anne "Boomer" Shepherd, 62, of Rochester, passed away at 7:06 p.m. Friday, July 14, 2017, at her residence. On Oct. 24, 1954, Susan was born in Rochester to Herman and Hazel Nicodemus Bowman.

Susan and Lloyd S. Shepherd were married on Feb. 19, 1994. They shared 20 years of life's adventures. Sadly, he passed away on April 8, 2014.

Susan was a people person, she enjoyed the good times, socializing with friends and keeping up with events. Many will remember her as their favorite bartender in several clubs in Rochester, Akron and Kewanna. For several years, she also worked at Winamac Coil Spring. Often in her free time, she would crochet afghans for family and friends. Auxiliary memberships include the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Fraternal Order of Eagles, all of Rochester.

Susan is lovingly remembered by a daughter, Lisa Franklin, of Fulton; three stepdaughters, Stacy Heckathorn and husband JD, of Rochester, Melissa Music, of Rochester, Kiley White and husband Daryl, of Indianapolis; two grandchildren, Damion C. Franklin and Brook M. Franklin; a brother, Allen Bowman and wife Debbie, of Akron; and two nephews, Corey Bowman and Dr. Jason Bowman. Susan was preceded in death by her parents, husband and a brother, Scott Byers.

A celebration of the life of Susan A. Shepherd will be at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, July 18, 2017, in the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Friends may visit with the family one hour prior to the service. Interment will be in the Citizens Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Fulton County Veteran's Honor Guard, 611 Main St., Rochester, IN 46975. Electronic expressions of may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Tuesday July 18, 2017

**Tabatha L. Dabrasky**

March 11, 1983 - July 15, 2017

Tabatha L. Dabrasky, 34, North Manchester, died unexpectedly at 7:30 a.m. at July 15, 2017, at her residence.

She was born on March 11, 1983, in Baltimore, Md. Her parents are Robert Scott Kline and Vickey Lynn (Dabrasky) Kline. She had lived in the area nine years, coming from Maryland. Her companion was Chris Kline, North Manchester. She was a waitress at Pizza King in Silver Lake.

Survivors include her father and mother, Robert and Vickey Kline, Silver Lake; one son, Brian Keith Snyder Jr., Silver Lake; one sister, Ashley Ann Dabrasky, Baltimore, Md.; and her grandmother, Annette Louis Kline, Goshen. She was preceded in death by her grandfather, John Kline; and her grandparents, Gilbert and Shirley Dabrasky.

Visitation is 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Friday, July 21, 2017, at Earl-Love Funeral Home, 811 E. Rochester St., Akron. Graveside service is at 1 p.m. Friday, July 21, 2017, at Nichols Cemetery with Pastor Jeff Sumner of Olive Branch Church officiating. Memorial contributions may be made to Earl-Love Funeral Home to help with the funeral expenses. Online condolences may be sent to [www.earllovefuneralhome.com](http://www.earllovefuneralhome.com).

**Eleanor E. Alderfer**

Eleanor E. Alderfer, 70, Greenfield, and formerly of Mentone, died Sunday at Hancock Regional Hospital, Greenfield. Arrangements are pending at King Memorial Home.

**Donald R. Heckathorn**

Donald R. Heckathorn, 85, Denver, died Saturday at home.

Survivors include three children, Gail France, Peru, David Heckathorn, Peru, and Terrie Armstrong, Chili; and one sister, Judy Driscoll, Peru.

His funeral service will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday at McClain Funeral Home. Visitation is 2 p.m. to the time of the service Wednesday at the funeral home.

**Paisley R. Hurley**

Infant Paisley R. Hurley, 3 days, died Friday at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Survivors include her mother, Chasity Hurley, Mentone; her father, Jeremy Hendrix, Milford; and her brother, Bentley Hurley.

A private family service will occur. Arrangements are handled by King Memorial Home.

**Mahlon Z. Martin and Kenneth Z. Martin**

April 22, 2004 – July 16, 2017 May 31, 2005 – July 16, 2017

Mahlon Z. Martin, 13, and Kenneth Z. Martin, 12, Rochester, sons of Amzie R. and Edna (Zimmerman) Martin, passed away on Sunday afternoon, July 16, 2017, in Marshall County.

Mahlon was born on April 22, 2004, in Elkhart, and Kenneth was born on May 31, 2005, in Elkhart. Mahlon had just finished seventh grade, and Kenneth had completed fifth grade.

Survivors include their parents, Amzie R. and Edna Martin, Rochester; siblings Matthias Martin, Harland Martin, Louetta Martin, Susanna Martin, Lavern Martin and Dorcas Martin, all of Rochester; grandparents Amos and Naomi Zimmerman, Goshen, and Lloyd and Mary Martin, Goshen; and great-grandparents Wilma Zimmerman, Rochester, and Christian and Lydia Weaver, Goshen.

Their funeral service will be at 9:30 a.m. Thursday, July 20, 2017, at the Richland Center Old Order Mennonite Church. Burial will be in the church cemetery. Friends may call from 1-4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. Wednesday at 7640 N. 150 West, Rochester. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

Wednesday July 19, 2017

**Eleanor Elaine Alderfer**

Dec. 15, 1946 – July 16, 2017



Eleanor Elaine Alderfer, 70, Greenfield, and formerly of northern Fulton County, passed away at 6:17 p.m. Sunday, July 16, 2017, at Hancock Regional Hospital, Greenfield.

Elaine was born on Dec. 15, 1946, in Rochester, to Louis E. and Louise E. (Windbigler) Kelly. On Aug. 7, 1966, at the Walnut Gospel Church in Argos, she married Roger L. Alderfer. He survives.

Elaine had worked for the former Torin/Brookside Corporation in Rochester. She graduated from Mentone High School in 1966. She was a Master Gardener and a member of the Herb Society.

Survivors include her husband, Roger Alderfer, Greenfield; her siblings, Patricia Johnson, Rochester, Mary Downs, Houlton, Maine, Barbara Widner and Kenny Michael, Logansport, Paul Kelly, Anaheim, Calif., N. Jean Kelly and Dave B., Elkhart, M. Janet Kelly, Evanston, Ill., James Kelly and wife Deb, Rochester, Evelyn Barton and husband Tim, Mentone, Douglas Kelly, Warsaw, and Brian Kelly; and several nieces and nephews. Elaine was preceded in death by her parents, Louis E. and Louise E. Kelly.

Her funeral service is 6 p.m. Friday, July 21, 2017, at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone, with the Rev. Dale Doran, who married Elaine and Roger 50 years ago, officiating. Burial will be in Richland Center Cemetery, Rochester. Visitation is 3-6 p.m. Friday, July 21, 2017, at King Memorial Home, Mentone. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Riley Children's Foundation, 30 S. Meridian St., Suite 200, Indianapolis, IN 46204. Family and friends may share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Eloise L. Good**

Eloise L. Good, 84, Plymouth, died Monday at home.

Survivors include her daughter, Diana Flory, Plymouth; her sons, Gailen D. Good, Bourbon, Denis M. Good, Argos, and Doug B. Good, Argos; and her sister, Kathy Conley, Plymouth.

Her funeral service is 10 a.m. Wednesday at Maple Grove Cemetery, Juniper Road, Argos. Arrangements are handled by Earl-Grossman Funeral Home.

Thursday July 20, 2017

### **Charles Richard**

Charles Richard, 57, Rochester, died Wednesday. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

**James Johnson**

James Johnson, 84, Rochester, died Wednesday at home. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

**Jacalyn L. Haist**

Jacalyn L. Haist, 62, Mentone, died Wednesday in Mentone. Arrangements are pending at King Memorial Home.

Friday July 21, 2017

**Jacalyn L. Haist**

Jacalyn L. Haist, 62, Mentone, died Wednesday in Mentone.

Survivors include her daughter, Meredith Adams, Mentone; her mother, Eva Mae Haist, Mentone; and her brothers, Herb Haist, Mentone, and Randy Haist, Brookville, Ohio.

Her memorial service is 5:30 p.m. Monday at Mentone United Methodist Church, 116 E. Main St. Visitation is 4:30 p.m. to the time of the service Monday at the church. Arrangements are handled by King Memorial Home.

**James Johnson**

James Johnson, 84, Rochester, died Wednesday at home.

Survivors include his wife, Winette; a daughter, Joni Thiry, Rochester; and his sons, Jeff Johnson, Mentone, and Jerry Johnson, Warsaw.

His funeral service is 10 a.m. Monday at Richland Center Cemetery. Arrangements are handled by Good Family Funeral Home.

Saturday July 22, 2017

**Charles A. Richard**

Charles A. Richard, 57, Rochester, died Wednesday at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Survivors include his wife, Tamera; his son, Mitchell Richard, South Carolina; and his siblings, Mary Rockenbaugh, Rochester, Ted Richard, Rochester, Rita Jenkins, Rochester, Hugh Richard, Rochester, Joe Richard, Rochester, Mark

Richard, Holiday, Fla., Ruth Gunter, Rochester, Ed Richard, Avon, and Jane VanMeter, Rochester.

His funeral service is 1 p.m. Friday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Thursday and one hour prior to the service Friday at the funeral home.

### **James ‘Jim’ Johnson**

Aug. 1, 1932 - July 19, 2017

Mr. James “Jim” Johnson, 84, Rochester, was surrounded by his loving family when he passed away at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 19, 2017, at his home.

On Aug. 1, 1932, James was born in Egeland, N.D. He was the treasured son of Axel and Lilly Haller Johnson. Growing up as the firstborn, he shared his childhood as one of 13 children. Following high school, patriotism beckoned. Jim answered the call serving with the United States Army during the Korean War.

In Argos, on April 28, 1973, Jim married the love of his life Winette Eriks. They shared 44 years of life’s adventures. Jim was a life member of the Manitou VFW Post No. 1343. He was a member of the Leroy Shelton American Legion Post No. 36 and a Golden Eagle at the local Eagles Fraternal Lodge.

A farmer from Richland Township, Jim oversaw a fine herd of more than 75 Holsteins and a daily milking operation for nearly a quarter century from 1975-1997. Each spring, he planted a garden of a .25 acre, creating a bountiful harvest for Winette who canned and froze the produce for their family’s winter use.

An American outdoorsman, Jim embraced nature, whether it was hunting deer in Indiana or elk in Utah or Oregon. He was a friend of domestic birds, feeding and observing their habits in his front yard. As adventurers, Jim and Winette boarded his motorcycle and headed west to Oregon. His favorite motorcycle was his tan-colored Honda Aspencade.

Left to cherish the memory of Jim are his wife, Winette; a daughter, Joni Thiry, Rochester; five sons, Dwayne VanderWall and wife Beth, Rochester, Jeff Johnson, Mentone, Todd VanderWall and wife Kathy, Rochester, Jerry Johnson, Warsaw, and Scott VanderWall and companion Amy Burkett, Rochester; 17 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews; and his canine companion, Abby the apricot miniature poodle. Jim was preceded in death by his parents, three sisters and nine brothers.

A public graveside service for James Johnson will be at 10 a.m. on Monday, July 24, 2017, at the Richland Center Cemetery with Chaplain Jason See officiating. Military honors will be conveyed by the Fulton County Veterans Honor

Guard and the United States Army Honors Team. Friends are invited to gather at the Johnson family cabin at noon following the graveside service Monday for food, fellowship and remembering the good times shared. In lieu of flowers, Jim's family prefers memorials to the Fulton County Animal Adoption and Education Center, 1540 Wentzel St., Rochester, IN 46975, or the Great Lakes Caring Hospice Foundation, 900 Cooper St., Jackson, MI 49202. Good Family Funeral Home has been entrusted with the arrangements. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Monday July 24, 2017

**Janice M. Bahney**

Janice M. Bahney, 77, died Saturday at Life Care Center of Rochester.

Survivors include four children, Marty Bahney, Warsaw, Ty Bahney, Rochester, Lory Goebel, Fort Wayne, and Jill Pugh, Rochester; and a sister, Sharon Ballee, Wabash.

Her funeral service is noon Wednesday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 10 a.m. to the time of the service Wednesday at the funeral home.

**Donald Metzger**

Donald Metzger, 99, Rochester, died Saturday at Miller's Merry Manor, Culver. Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home.

Tuesday July 25, 2017

**Janice Marie Bahney**

Feb. 28, 1940 – July 22, 2017

Former Akron and Rochester resident, Ms. Janice M. Bahney, 77, was surrounded by her loving family when she passed away at Life Care Center, Rochester, at 8:55 p.m. July 22, 2017.

In Wabash County on Feb. 28, 1940, Janice Marie Flook was born. She was the treasured daughter of Ray and Axie "Lucille" Cole Flook. Growing up as one of the five Flook children, she shared her childhood with three sisters and a brother.

Left to cherish the memory of Janice are her four children, Marty Bahney and wife Kathy, Warsaw, Ty Bahney, Rochester, Lory Goebel, Fort Wayne, and

Jill Pugh and husband Kevin, Rochester; 13 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and a sister, Sharon Ballee, Wabash. Janice was predeceased by her parents; a daughter, Jana Bahney Green; a granddaughter, Aubrey Hogue; a brother; and two sisters.

A celebration of the life of Ms. Janice M. Bahney will be at noon on Wednesday, July 26, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Chaplain Teri White will officiate. Friends may visit with her family from 10 a.m. until noon Wednesday at the funeral home. Burial will follow in the Gilead Cemetery. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to Janice's family at [www. goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Wednesday July 26, 2017

### **Terry Jordan**

Terry Jordan, 56, Rochester, died July 16, 2017, at home.

Survivors include four sisters, Flou Rane Jordan, Rochester, Joann Jordan, Grand Junction, Colo., Ann Harris, Rochester, and Rachel Clark, Rochester; and three brothers, Lynn Jordan, Monterey, Glenn Jordan, St. Charles, Ill., and Marvin Jordan, Fort Wayne.

His memorial service is 3 p.m. Saturday at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, Rochester. Arrangements are handled by Good Family Funeral Home.

### **John W. Sayger**

John W. Sayger, 88, Rochester, died Tuesday at Life Care Center of Rochester. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

### **Donald Everett Metzger**

Nov. 9, 1917 – July 22, 2017

Donald Everett Metzger passed away at Miller's Merry Manor in Culver on July 22, 2017, at the age of 99 years and eight months.

He was born in Syracuse on Nov. 9, 1917, the son of David W. and Ella Pha (Woods) Metzger. The family later moved to Goshen and a sister, Mary, was born.

Don started school in Goshen, but in 1925, the family moved to Kewanna. There he continued his education, and in high school, played basketball and baseball for four years as well as ran track. After graduation in 1935, he went to work for the Standard Elevator in Kewanna. He helped to build the elevator in Monon, riding there with his father and the other workers.

Don continued his baseball-playing on a local team as well as being a sub on teams from Winamac and Logansport. He even played against Ted Williams in a game during WWII. An opportunity to try out for the Chicago White Sox was available, but jobs were hard to get in the Depression, so he passed on the opportunity.

On Oct. 6, 1940, he married the love of his life, Geneva W. Lemmon, at the Methodist church in Kewanna. Five children were born of this union: Karen Sue, Avondale, Pa.; Donald Gene, Rochester; Robert Dale (Rosa), Rochester; Diane Kay, who died after a month of life; and Thomas Dean (Mary Lou), Palatine, Ill. Seven grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren blessed the lives of Don and Geneva in the 64 years of their marriage. Geneva passed away on May 19, 2005.

In September 1949, Don became the general manager of the Fulton County Farm Bureau Co-Op; and in October, the family moved from Kewanna to Clay Street in Rochester. In 1958, Don purchased 40 acres west of Rochester and later added another 40. The family moved to Goshen when he was hired as general manager of the Elkhart County Farm Bureau Co-Op in June 1962.

Don retired after a total of 33 years as a manager and moved back to Rochester, building a house on his 80 acres in 1979. He did work on the house himself after helping Don Woolington's construction company build the frame and roof.

Don served as a member of and later chief of the Kewanna Volunteer Fire Department. He served as a volunteer at the Rochester Elementary School, as a trustee for the Grace Methodist Church and Methodist Church in Goshen, and on the Fulton County Fair Board. He was a volunteer for the Cancer Society and part of the Lions Club and a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows for 75 years. He had a rare "O" blood type, so he gave blood as often as possible, giving over 8 gallons, and served as a red coat at Woodlawn Hospital. He loved his farm where he raised corn and beans as well as Hereford cattle.

Don was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Geneva; and infant daughter Diane. He leaves behind a sister, Mary Renkenberger (Bob); children Karen, Don, Bob (Rosa), and Tom (Mary Lou); seven grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; and nieces and nephews. He was the person the family looked to for help and will be greatly missed by all.

His funeral will be on Friday, July 28, 2017, at 11 a.m. at the Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home in Kewanna. Visitation is on Thursday, July 27, 2017, from 4-8 p.m. at the funeral home and also an hour before the funeral service on Friday. Burial will be at the Kewanna IOOF Cemetery. Memorials may be sent

to Mount Hope United Methodist Church, 7022 W. 700 N., Culver, IN 46511, or to the Kewanna Alumni Association, care of Robert Clyde, P.O. Box 92, Kewanna, IN 46939. Friends may sign the online guest book or leave a condolence for the Metzger family at [www.ransfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com).

Thursday July 27, 2017

### **John W. Sayger**

John W. Sayger, 88, Rochester, died Tuesday at Life Care Center of Rochester.

Survivors include his wife, Elnora, Rochester; and two sons, Ron A. Sayger, Rochester, and Tim L. Sayger, Rochester.

His funeral service is 10 a.m. Monday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 2-5 p.m. Sunday and one hour prior to the service Monday at the funeral home.

### **Charles A. ‘Charly’ Richard**

May 21, 1960 – July 19, 2017

Mr. Charles A. “Charly” Richard, 57, Rochester, passed away Wednesday, July 19, 2017, at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

On May 21, 1960, Charles Arthur Richard was born in Rochester. He was a treasured son of Joseph Jacob and Ellen Reinholt Richard. Growing up, he shared his childhood with seven brothers, including his twin brother Carly, and four sisters. Charly graduated from Rochester High School in 1978.

In Atlanta, Ga., on March 17, 1988, Charly married the love of his life, Tamera “Tammy” Lee Reed. They shared 29 years of life’s adventures.

As a young man, Charly developed a strong work ethic, growing up on the family dairy farm. His love for agriculture and dedication to the dairy herd was a lifelong passion. He later developed an interest in concrete work. Charly was talented as an artist, expressing creative thoughts with pencil and paper. He drew still life, animals and landscapes.

Left to cherish the memory of Charly are his wife, Tammy; three children: two stepdaughters, Kaara Walker and companion Tyler Sennert, Knox, and Amber Walker, Logansport, and a son, Mitchell Richard, South Carolina; eight grandchildren; 10 siblings, Frank Keitzer and wife Yvonne, Rochester, Mary Rockenbaugh and husband Jim, Rochester, Ted Richard and wife Lynda, Rochester, Rita Jenkins and husband Jim, Rochester, Hugh Richard and wife

Vicky, Rochester, Joe Richard, Rochester, Mark Richard and wife Kristy, Holiday, Fla., Ruth Gunter and husband Dwight, Rochester, Ed Richard and wife Amy, Avon, and Jane Van Meter and husband Kyle, Rochester; mother-in-law Rosalie "Lee" Reed, Walton; and numerous nieces and nephews. Charly was preceded in death by his parents; his twin brother, Carl "Carly" Andrew Richard on April 9, 2016; an infant brother, James Richard; a stepson, Brandon Walker; a sister-in-law, Carla Richard; and a niece, Tracy Lee Ann Richard.

A celebration of the life of Charles Arthur "Charly" Richard will be at 1 p.m. on Friday, July 28, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. The Rev. Curtis May will officiate. Friends may visit with the family from 4-8 p.m. on Thursday and one hour prior to the service Friday at the funeral home. Charly will be laid to rest next to his twin brother, Carly, in the Richland Center IOOF Cemetery. Memorials may be made to St. John Lutheran Church, 404 Jefferson St., Rochester, IN 46975, or the American Heart Association, 208 LaSalle St., Suite 1500, Chicago, IL 60604-1242. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Richard P. Ross**

Richard P. Ross, 89, Peru, died Wednesday at Blair Ridge Health Campus. Arrangements are pending at Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home.

Friday July 28, 2017

### **John Hudkins**

John Hudkins, 25, Rochester and Nappanee, died Wednesday. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

Saturday July 29, 2017

### **John P. Hudkins II**

John P. Hudkins II, 25, Nappanee, and formerly of Rochester, died Wednesday.

Survivors include his parents, John and Shannon Hudkins, Rochester; his sister, Bailey Hudkins, Rochester; and his brother, A.J. Hudkins, Rochester.

His funeral service is 10 a.m. Tuesday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Monday and one hour prior to the service Tuesday at the funeral home.



## **Melvin L. See**

Melvin L. See, 81, Deedsville, died Thursday at St. Vincent Heart Center, Carmel.

Survivors include his wife, Carol See, Deedsville; and his children, Yvonne G. Moss, Peru, and Shawnee L. Lane, Deedsville.

His funeral service is at 2 p.m. Monday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver. Visitation is noon until the time of service on Monday at the funeral home.

## **John Wesley ‘Jack’ Sayger**

May 20, 1929 - July 25, 2017

Mr. John Wesley “Jack” Sayger, 88, Rochester, passed away at 6:32 a.m. Tuesday, July 25, 2017, at Life Care Center of Rochester.

Near Athens in Fulton County, John Wesley “Jack” Sayger was born on May 20, 1929. He was a treasured son of Herschel and Mary Feece Sayger. He was one of 12 children. Jack graduated from Rochester High School in 1947.

Following high school, patriotism beckoned, and he answered the call, serving with the United States Army during the Korean War. During his stint of service, he was stationed at Fort Bliss in Texas and was a member of the guided missile division.

On April 5, 1952, Jack married the love of his life, Elnora Avanell Tyler. Their vows were recited at First Christian Church, Rochester, with the Rev. Grant Blackwood officiating. They have shared 65 years of life’s adventures. From their union came three wonderful children, Barbara, Ronald and Timothy. Through the years, the family tree grew with the added blessings of six grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

With a solid work ethic, Jack was a dedicated molder for Sibley Machine & Foundry of South Bend. He was a devoted employee for 40 years, retiring in 1992. A “Golden Eagle,” Jack was a member of the Eagles Fraternal Lodge for more than a half century. He was also a member of the Schererville American Legion Post for more than four decades.

To relax, Jack found peaceful tranquility in his garden. Each spring, the garden was planted. He found great joy in maintaining, hydrating and cultivating. Months later his efforts led to a bountiful autumn harvest and an opportunity to can, freeze, and make jams and soups for winter’s use by family and special friends. Proud of the appearance of his yard, Jack groomed the lawn and manicured the landscape with meticulous precision. He owned a unique collection of more

than 300 clocks. Weekends brought on the adventure of garage sales, and Jack cruised the area with Elnora in search of hidden treasures and bargains of the day.

Left to cherish the memory of Jack are his wife, Elnora, Rochester; two sons, Ron A. Sayger and wife Tina, Rochester, and Tim L. Sayger and wife Linda, Rochester; son-in-law Mike Briney, Richland Center; six grandchildren, Heather Dawn Briney, Dr. Kara Martindale and husband Dr. Jeff, Katelyn Sayger, Nicholas Sayger and wife Julie, Rebecca Rude and husband Joshua, and Laura Calvert and husband Kyle; 12 great grandchildren; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. John was preceded in death by his parents; daughter Barbara Ellen Briney; four sisters, Wilodean Collins, Maudie Coleman, Nancy Baker, and Laura Jean Lewis; and seven Sayger brothers, LeRoy, Otis, Omer, Maurice, Harry and Walter and one brother in infancy.

A celebration of the life of John Sayger will be at 10 a.m. on Monday, July 31, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Chaplain Jason See will officiate. Friends may visit with the family from 2-5 p.m. on Sunday and one hour prior to the service Monday at the funeral home. Military rites will be conducted by the Fulton County Veterans Honor Guard and the United States Army Honors team. Interment will be in the Athens-Hoover Cemetery. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Monday July 31, 2017

### **John J. Rex**

John J. Rex, 60, Argos, died Friday at St. Joseph Health Care Center, Plymouth.

Survivors include his wife, Tammy Rex, Argos; his daughter, Ashley R. Salzar, Argos; his sons, Michael T. Rex, Argos, and Derek J. Rex, Plymouth; his father, Joe H. Rex, Argos; his brother, Dale Rex, Argos; and his sister, Kim Sellers, Bourbon.

His funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at Argos United Methodist Church, 570 N. Michigan St. Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Tuesday at the church. Arrangements are handled by Earl-Grossman Funeral Home.

### **John Phillip 'JP' Hudkins II**

Feb. 24, 1992 - July 26, 2017

Former Rochester resident, Mr. John Phillip “JP” Hudkins II, 25, Nappanee, passed away at 9:22 p.m. on Wednesday, July 26, 2017.

On Feb. 24, 1992, John Phillip “JP” Hudkins II was born in Logansport. He was a treasured son of John and Shannon Smith Hudkins. Growing up as the oldest of three children, he shared his childhood with a sister, Bailey, and brother A.J.

With great pride, he graduated from Rochester High School in 2010. JP played center field for the Zebras boys baseball team. He was talented in his ability covering the outfield’s width and depth, which was complemented by strong throwing with superb accuracy to the bases or home plate. Continuing his passion for baseball after high school, JP played in a men’s league in Goshen and played league softball in Nappanee. To relax, he enjoyed hanging out with friends. JP’s favorite holiday was his birthday. He looked forward to celebrating the annual event with his family.

An avid Chicago Cubs fan, JP thoroughly enjoyed the 2016 season with the pennant drive and the crowning of the Cubs as world champions. He enjoyed the adventure of travel. To no one’s amazement, his favorite destination was Wrigley Field. A young man with a heart of gold, JP fulfilled his desire to help many other people through tissue donation.

Left to cherish the memory of JP are his parents, John and Shannon Hudkins, Rochester; sister Bailey Hudkins, Rochester; brother A.J. Hudkins, Rochester; fiancée Brandie Neilson and her daughter Brylee Ann White, Nappanee; maternal grandparents Donna and Rick Watson, Logansport; paternal grandparents John and Dottie Hudkins, Rochester; and several aunts, uncles and cousins. John was preceded in death by his paternal grandmother, Phyllis Hudkins.

A celebration of the life of John “JP” Hudkins II will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 1, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home of Rochester. Chaplain Jason See will officiate. Friends may visit with the family from 4-8 p.m. on Monday, July 31, 2017, and one hour prior to his service Tuesday at the funeral home. Burial will follow at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Tuesday August 1, 2017

No Obituaries

Wednesday August 2, 2017

## **Larry L. Sutton**

Larry L. Sutton, 66, Akron, died Monday at home. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

Thursday August 3, 2017

## **Richard Perry Ross**

Feb. 7, 1928 - July 26, 2017

Richard Perry Ross, 89, Peru, passed away at 6 a.m. Wednesday, July 26, 2017, at Blair Ridge Health Campus, Peru.

He was born in Rochester on Feb. 7, 1928, the son of Donald D. and Reva Perry Ross. Dick married the mother of his children, Marcia Senger, in 1953. She survives. Dick married Janice Sherman Crates in 1974. She preceded him in death in 1988. He married Nancy Scull Egerton in 1997. She preceded him in death in 2015.

Dick was a 1945 graduate of Rochester High School and a U.S. Army Veteran. Following his discharge from the Army, Dick attended Butler University and graduated in 1951. He received his master's degree in music from Columbia University.

Dick was a retired merchant; he served as vice president at Senger Dept. Stores. In 1974, he moved to Lafayette and joined the staff at Loeb's Dept. Store. He later became the manager of Michael Furniture Gallery in Lafayette, a position he held until his retirement in 1997.

Dick was a member of the Rochester Masonic Lodge, the Indianapolis Scottish Rite and the Murat Shrine of Indianapolis. He played the trumpet with the Indianapolis Symphony. Dick had a lifelong love of music and compiled many recordings of his favorite songs and shared them with his family and friends. Dick was always quick with a smile and offered words of wisdom and gentle guidance to many throughout his lifetime. He was a warm, kind-hearted and generous man who exemplified integrity.

Surviving are daughters Melinda Ross, Winter Haven, Fla., Melissa (Greg) Smith, Glendale, Calif., and Jennifer (Kerry) McCammon, Sugar Land, Texas; a brother, John (Darlene) Ross, Indianapolis; daughter-in-law Carla Ross, Peru; grandchildren Frederick (Jamie) Ross, Ian McCammon, Jeremy Ross and Donovan Stanley; and great-grandchildren Matthew Ross, Alexander Ross, Neil Ross and Alivia Ross. He was preceded in death by his parents; wives Janice and Nancy; a son, Freddie Ross; a daughter, Allison Crates Stanley; and a sister, Rosanna Iler.

A service celebrating the life of Richard Perry Ross will be at 3 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 5, 2017, at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 West Main St., Peru, with Dr. Daniel Fugate officiating. Family and friends will gather from 1-3 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home. Military graveside services will be provided by the Miami County Military Rites Unit at 2 p.m. Sunday at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to the Miami County Military Rites Unit. Family and friends may leave a memory or condolence by visiting the online obituary at [www.eddyfuneralhomes.com](http://www.eddyfuneralhomes.com).

### **Alexzander C. Long**

Infant Alexzander C. Long died Tuesday at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. Arrangements are pending at King Memorial Home.

Friday August 4, 2017

### **Robert G. Cooper**

Robert G. Cooper, 37, Kewanna, died Wednesday in Fulton County. Survivors include his parents, Robert and Jean Cooper, Kewanna.

His funeral service is noon Saturday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 10 a.m. to the time of the service Saturday at the funeral home.

### **Harold Foust**

May 31, 1939 - Aug. 3, 2017

Harold Foust, 78, Rochester, passed away at 2:23 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 3, 2017, at his residence surrounded by his loving family.

Born on May 31, 1939, in Pulaski County, he was the son of the late Norman and Alice (Disinger) Foust. Harold was a 1957 Kewanna High School graduate. On June 19, 1957, he married Patricia "Pat" Larkin. She survives.

Harold was a lifelong farmer who was a member of the Rochester Eagles and the Rochester Moose. He was also an avid IU basketball fan.

Survivors include his wife of 60 years, Pat Foust, Rochester; his children, Colleen Keller (John), Winamac, Carla McCormack (Brian), Culver, and Jeff Foust (Susan), Rochester; and his sister-in-law, Bonnie Foust, Brownsburg. He is also survived by his grandchildren, Jason Newman, Matt Newman (Catie), Michael Keller (Marielle), Austin Foust (Emily), and Kaitlin Foust. He was also preceded in death by his brothers, Willard, David and Marion Foust.

His funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 8, 2017, at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel, with Pastor Robert Metzger officiating. Visitation will be from 4-8 p.m., Monday, Aug. 7, 2017, at the funeral home. Burial will be at Leiters Ford IOOF Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Woodlawn Hospital in care of the Rochester Oncology Department or Kindred Hospice. Friends may sign the online guest book or leave a condolence for the Foust family at [www. ransfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com).

Saturday August 5, 2017

### **Curt Henriott**

Curt Henriott, 58, Rochester, died Thursday at the University of Cincinnati Medical Center, Ohio. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

### **Jackie J. Shuey II**

Jackie J. Shuey II, 45, Rochester, died Friday on Indiana 17 near 200 North. Survivors include his mother, Jean Winstead, Rochester; two sisters, Heather Goad, Indianapolis, and Tammy Schlosberg, Rochester; and a brother, Robert Shuey, Indianapolis.

His funeral service is 11 a.m. Monday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 2-5 p.m. Sunday and one hour prior to the service Monday at the funeral home.

Monday August 7, 2017

### **Randal L. Curtis**

Oct. 19, 1961 - Aug. 5, 2017

Randal Lee Curtis, 55, of Logansport and formerly of Rochester, passed away at 3:46 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 5, 2017, at Logansport Memorial Hospital.

Born on Oct. 19, 1961, in Logansport, he was the son of Andrew Walter Curtis and Kathryn Brown. Randal attended Caston High School. He enjoyed playing his guitar and harmonica.

Survivors include his mother, Kathryn "Kathy" Ackerman, of Grass Creek; sisters, Karen Sue LeVeque (Jim) of Lake Odessa, Michigan, Audry Gard (Fred) of Kokomo; and brothers, Andrew Curtis (Deb) of Fulton, Michael Curtis (Linda) of Logansport and Robert Zimmerman of Mississippi. He is also survived by numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. He was preceded in death by his father,

Andrew Walter Curtis; sister, Debra McClure; stepfather, Leamon "Lum" Ackerman; and sister-in-law, Anita Zimmerman.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 9, 2017, at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel, with Pastor Bruce Russell officiating. Visitation will be from 4-8 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 8 at the funeral home. Burial will be at Grass Creek Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society. Friends may sign the online guest book or leave a condolence for the family at [www.ransfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com).

### **Curt B. Henriott**

Curt B. Henriott, 58, Rochester, died Thursday at the University of Cincinnati Medical Center, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Survivors include his wife, March; two daughters, Amanda Henriott, Indianapolis, and Alicia Conner, Rochester; mother, Gertrud Henriott, Rochester; three sisters, Desiree Small, Logansport, Romy Shortz, South Bend, and Bernadette Henriott, Bourbonais, Ill.

His funeral service is 1 p.m. Saturday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Friday and one hour prior to the service Saturday at the funeral home.

### **Jack F. Lewis**

Jack F. Lewis, 81, Rochester, died at 9 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 5, at the Visiting Nurse Hospice Home of Fort Wayne. Arrangements are pending at the Good Family Funeral Home.

### **Larry L. Sutton**

Larry L. Sutton, 66, Akron, died Monday, July 31, at his residence.

Survivors include his children, Mary Kovel, of Arizona, Ralph Kovel, of Michigan, and Terry Kovel, of Florida.

A public graveside service for him is 10 a.m. Tuesday at Athens-Hoover Cemetery.

Tuesday August 8, 2017

### **Jack F. Lewis**

Jackie F. Lewis, 81, Rochester, passed away at 9 p.m. Saturday at Visiting Nurse Hospice Home of Fort Wayne.

Survivors include his children, Ted Lewis Sr., Colorado, Christina Miller, Rochester, Kelly Rene, South Bend, Jodi Lines, Warsaw; a sister, Eva Belle E. Enyart, Rochester; and a brother, Clyde Lewis, Logansport.

Funeral service is 1 p.m. Thursday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is one hour prior to the service Thursday.

Wednesday August 9, 2017

### **Curt B. Henriott**

Oct. 18, 1958 – Aug. 3, 2017

Mr. Curt B. Henriott, 58, of Rochester, passed away at 6:30 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 3, 2017, at the University of Cincinnati Medical Center, Cincinnati, Ohio.

In Waialua, Hawaii, on Oct. 18, 1958, Curt Baptist Henriott was born. He was the treasured son of Paul D. and Gertrud Elsa Seifert Henriott. Growing up he shared his childhood with three sisters, Desiree, Romy and Bernadette. During his high school years he excelled in the mechanics classes, leading him to his lifelong passion of mechanics, engines and technology. He graduated from Rochester High School in 1977.

On Dec. 17, 1977, in Valparaiso's Immanuel Lutheran Church, Curt married the love of his life, Miss March Marie Boule. They have shared 40 years of life's adventures. From their union came two beautiful daughters, Amanda and Alicia. The family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of two grandchildren and another due to arrive late this year.

Following high school, Curt professionalized himself by earning an associate's degree in mechanics from Ivy Tech. He began working for Ford Motor Company. From his solid work ethic, with knowledge and insight, Curt was quickly elevated through the ranks and as a senior master technical advisor/instructor at the Universal Technical Institute in Arizona, he was an esteemed and trusted leader for Ford. He developed and wrote curriculum and implemented methods to teach his understudies about the complexities of mechanics and new innovations while integrating technology. He also served Ford as a consultant, technical assistant and trouble shooter, promptly resolving the most challenging problems.

Curt was a devoted member of St. John Lutheran Church, Rochester. He was also a member of the bikers group A.B.A.T.E. and a life member of the National Rifle Association.



To relax, Curt enjoyed the freedom of motorcycle riding. March shared his passion for cycles and they recently enjoyed an all-day ride. His machine of choice was his 2012 Yamaha Star. In three short years he enjoyed 84,000 miles of adventure, cruising to a variety of destinations. He was the proud owner of a 2015 Harley-Davidson Ultra Unlimited. Both bikes are his favorite color, cobalt blue. Curt was slated to ride in the marathon Iron Butt Race this fall, a 1,000-mile jaunt in 24 hours.

Curt is remembered as a loving husband to March, a thoughtful son to his mother Gertrud, devoted father and grandfather to his daughters and grandchildren. His heart was bigger than life itself as he was always there for his family and friends. Curt was right on to help his daughters' friends, serving as a stable role model for those who needed a Dad to look up to, to consult with and garner wisdom and guidance from. He will be missed as a friend, a source of knowledge and his extraordinary leadership from his blue oval family, Ford.

Left to cherish Curt's memory are his wife, March; two daughters, Amanda Henriott and companion Todd Eberlein of Indianapolis, Alicia Conner and husband Brandon of Rochester; his grandchildren, Layknn Inez Davidson, Ian Randall Conner, and Curt Malcolm Baptist Henriott-Conner, due to arrive in December of this year; mother, Gertrud Henriott of Rochester; three sisters, Desiree Small and husband Morris Jr. of Logansport, Romy Shortz and companion Paul Bikowski of South Bend and Bernadette Henriott and husband Edward Regnier of Bourbonais, Ill.; his beloved canine, Sam, the black toy poodle, and several nieces and nephews. Preceding Curt in death are his father, Paul Henriott on Aug. 16, 2016; his father- and mother-in-law, Malcolm and Emeline Inez Boule; sister-in-law Gloria White in February 2016, a sister-in-law Sandra Williams and a brother-in-law Malcolm Boule.

A celebration of the life of Mr. Curt Baptist Henriott will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 12, 2017, in the Good Family Funeral Home of Rochester. Rev. Curtis May will officiate. Casual dress is requested per Curt's wishes. Friends may visit with the family from 4-8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 11, 2017, and one hour prior to the service in the funeral home. Burial will follow in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Memorials may be made to St. John Lutheran Church, 404 Jefferson St., Rochester, IN 46975 or ABATE of Indiana, P.O. Box 665, Bargersville, IN 46106. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to Curt's family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com)

**Jack F. Lewis**

Oct. 16, 1935 – Aug. 5, 2017

Mr. Jack F. Lewis, 81, of Rochester, passed away at 9 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 5, 2017 at Visiting Nurse Hospice Home of Fort Wayne.

In Fulton County, on Oct. 16, 1935, Jackie Franklin Lewis was born. He was a treasured son of Lee A. and Martha Washington McGraw Lewis. Growing up as one of the nine Lewis children he shared his childhood with five sisters and four brothers.

Patriotism beckoned and Jack answered the call, serving with the United States Army during the Korean War. His service time was initiated Oct. 7, 1954. He served until he was honorably discharged on Sept. 19, 1956. Jack continued his stint of services as a reserve until Oct. 6, 1962.

On Dec. 22, 1975, Jack married the love of his life, Miss Laura Jean Sayger Adams. Their union was solemnized in Rochester, before Justice of the Peace Thelma Carr. They shared 41 years of life's adventures. Sadly, she passed away July 14, 2017.

In earlier years as a truck driving professional, Jack enjoyed the freedom of the open road. He was a devoted member of the Trinity United Methodist Church. Jack enjoyed studying "The Word" in the co-ed study group. He also enjoyed visits from his family.

Left to cherish Jack's memories are children, Ted Lewis Sr. and wife Brandy of Colorado, Christina Miller and companion Rod Talbott, Rochester, Kelly Rene of South Bend, Jodi Lines of Warsaw; stepchildren Larry Joe Adams and wife Shirley of Coleman, Texas, Ken Adams and wife Robin of Warsaw, Peggy Stover and husband Kerry of Pierceton; numerous grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; sister Eva Belle E. Enyart of Rochester; brother, Clyde Lewis and wife Jane of Logansport; and several nieces and nephews. Preceding Jack in death are his parents, wife, grandson Rylan Miller, three Lewis brothers, Lee A., Raymond, and Harvey; four sisters, Louise Cook, Evelyn Ballenger, Harriet Herrell and Sarah Young.

A celebration of the life of Jackie Franklin Lewis will be at 1 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 10, 2017, in the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Pastor Gail Law officiating. Friends may visit with the family one hour prior to the service on Thursday. Burial will be in the Athens-Hoover Cemetery. Military rites will be conducted by the Fulton County Veteran's Honor Guard and the U.S. Army Honor Team. Memorials may be made to Visiting Nurse Hospice, 5910 Homestead Road, Fort Wayne, IN 46814. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to Jack's family at [goodfamilyfh.com](http://goodfamilyfh.com).

Thursday August 10, 2017

**Sharon Woodcox**

Sharon Woodcox, 68, of Rochester, passed away at 2:24 p.m. Wednesday at Parkview Hospital of Fort Wayne. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home of Rochester.

Friday August 11, 2017

**Shirley Burkett Fann**

July 26, 1935 - Aug. 8, 2017

Shirley Burkett Fann, 82, passed away Tuesday, Aug. 8, 2017, at La Loma Care Center in Litchfield Park, Ariz. Shirley Jeanine Adams was born in Decatur, Ga., July 26, 1935, the daughter of Garland James and Anna (Jones) Adams.

She married her first husband, David Lee Burkett, in 1953 in Atlanta, Ga. They are the parents of three daughters, Sharon, Lisa and LeAnn. David and Shirley were owner- operators of a small grocery store in Talma for nearly 20 years. In 1991 they retired to Buckeye, Ariz. David passed away in 1996.

Shirley married Raymond Earl Fann in April 1998 in Sun City, Ariz. Raymond passed away May 2, 2017. He and Shirley were pioneer residents of La Loma Village, Litchfield Park, when it opened in 2005. Shirley was friendly and cheerful with passions for shopping, dancing and animals.

Shirley is survived by daughters Sharon Lindenlaub and husband Brian, Litchfield Park, Lisa Goodman and husband Pat, Rochester, and LeAnn McDonald and husband Kurt, Windermere, Fla; granddaughters Abby Lindenlaub Bunn, American Fork, Utah, Kathryn Lindenlaub Griffin, Las Vegas, Becky Lindenlaub Thacker, Studio City, Calif., Elaine McDonald and Jessica McDonald, both of Windermere; grandsons Brennan Goodman, West Lafayette, Layne Goodman, Rochester; great-granddaughters Lindy Bunn, Kyla Bunn, Miriam Bunn and Hannah Bunn, American Fork, and Olivia Thacker, Studio City; and great-grandsons Logan Griffin and Calvin Griffin of Las Vegas and Charlie Thacker, Studio City. She was pre-deceased by her parents and a brother, Robert Quillian Adams.

A private celebration of her life will be at a later date.

Saturday August 12, 2017

**Sharon Woodcox**

Sharon Sue Woodcox, 68, Rochester, died Wednesday at Parkview Regional Medical Center of Fort Wayne.

She is survived by her husband Lonnie; seven sons, James Woodcox, Michael Woodcox, Benjamin Woodcox, Christopher Woodcox, Cory Woodcox, Kevin Woodcox and Justin Woodcox; two sisters, Nancy Bailey and Diane Muffley.

Her funeral service is 11 a.m. Monday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation is 9-11 a.m. Monday in the funeral home.

**W. Gelene Skinner**

W. Gelene Skinner, 90, Twelve Mile, died Wednesday at Miller's Merry Manor, Logansport.

She is survived by her daughter, Sue Skinner Rose; son, Bob Skinner; two sisters, Divola Smith and Shirley Everson.

Her funeral service is 3 p.m. Aug. 13 at the Twelve Mile United Methodist Church. Visitation is 1-3 p.m. Aug. 13 at the church.

Monday August 14, 2017

No Obituaries

Tuesday August 15, 2017

No Obituaries

Wednesday August 16, 2017

**Denise L. Johnson**

Denise L. Johnson, 63, South Bend, died Friday. Arrangements are pending at McGann Hay Funeral Home.

**John M. Kennedy Ray**

John M. Kennedy Ray, 55, Kewanna, died Sunday at home. Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home.

**Robert W. Evans**

Robert W. Evans, 89, died Tuesday at Hickory Creek, Rochester. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

**Maxine A. Yater**

July 21, 1924 – Aug. 14, 2017

Maxine A. Yater, 93, passed away at home on Aug. 14, 2017. She was born on July 21, 1924, in Fulton to the late James and Lorene (Kern) Baird.

After Mrs. Yater graduated from Fulton High School, she went on to graduate from beauty college in Fort Wayne. She was a hairdresser at Lutheran Homes for more than 17 years. While working at the South Side Grill, she met her husband of nearly 74 wonderful years Joseph Yater. They attended Liberty Mills Church of the Nazarene and lived lives to reveal Jesus to everyone. She played the piano at church for more than 50 years. She was a member of the Rescue Missions Women's Auxiliary, Christian Business Women, and Southmore Mother's Singers.

Besides her husband, she is survived by two wonderful children, Ronald Joe (Jan) Yater, Martinsville; and Beverly Jane (Harold) Ditmer, Fort Wayne. She is also survived by four grandchildren and six great-grandchildren; sister Sharon Baird; and brother Charles Baird. Maxine met her 108-year-old mother at the gates of heaven. She was also preceded in passing by her great-grandson, Adam DeLacy.

Her funeral service will be at 2 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 18, 2017, at Liberty Mills Church of the Nazarene, 10621 Liberty Mills Road, Fort Wayne, with visitation one hour prior and the Rev. Wes Ball officiating. Visitation will also be from 5-8 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 17, 2017, at Elzey-Patterson-Rodak Home for Funerals, 6810 Old Trail Road, Fort Wayne. Entombment will be at Covington Memorial Gardens, Fort Wayne. Memorials may be made to the church. Condolences may be left online at [www.elzey-patterson-rodakfuneralhome.com](http://www.elzey-patterson-rodakfuneralhome.com).

Thursday August 17, 2017

**John M. Kennedy Ray**

May 3, 1962 – Aug. 13, 2017

John M. Kennedy Ray, 55, Kewanna, passed away unexpectedly on Sunday, Aug. 13, 2017, at his residence.

He was born on May 3, 1962, in Peru. On July 4, 1994, he married Lorna Riley. She survives. He was a U.S. Marine Corps veteran. He was a member of the

Carpenters Union No. 615 in Kokomo. He was an expert craftsman, specializing in custom mantels. John was a gentle giant who loved God and his country and his family and friends.

Survivors include his wife, Lorna Ray, Kewanna; daughters Devan Anetrella (Joseph), Destiny Ray, and Isabella Ray, all of Kewanna; parents Norman and Catherine Ray, Kewanna; brothers Gene Ray, Norman Ray Jr. and Tommy Ray (Amanda); sisters Katherine Sellers, Michelle Ray, Mari Ray, Tonya Gregory and Tracy Ray Hedrick; stepson Charles Lantz (Nicole); and grandchildren Katana, Joshua, Leo, Dante and Grayson.

A celebration of life service will be at noon, Saturday, Aug. 19, 2017, at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, 123 E. Main St., Kewanna. Visitation will be from 4-8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 17, 2017, at the funeral home. Burial will be at Greenlawn Cemetery in Mexico. Memorial contributions may be made to the family in care of the funeral home. Friends may sign the online guest book or leave a condolence for the Ray family at [www.ransfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com). Arrangements have been entrusted to Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel.

### **Robert W. Evans**

Robert W. Evans, 89, Rochester, died Tuesday at Hickory Creek, Rochester.

Survivors include four brothers, Gerald C. Evans, Columbia City, Larry W. Evans, Rochester, David L. Evans, Florida, and Mick Evans, Rochester.

His funeral service is 11 a.m. Saturday at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Arrangements are handled by Good Family Funeral Home.

### **Denise Joan Johnson**

Feb. 3, 1954 – Aug. 11, 2017

Denise Joan Johnson, 63, South Bend, passed away peacefully on Friday at home in her sleep. She was born in Plymouth on Feb. 3, 1954, to Wilburn “Duz” and Darlene (Engel) Johnson.

Denise graduated from Rochester High School and recently attended her 45th class reunion. She was a graduate of Indiana University, Bloomington, and worked as a school psychologist in the South Bend Community School Corporation. She was an advocate for the children she served. She enjoyed going to Sarasota, Fla., in the winter and spending time with her mom and aunts.

Her father preceded her in death as did a brother, David Johnson, and a niece, Alexis Hamilton. She is survived by her mother; three brothers, Doug, Dan (Terri) and Dean; a sister, Darla Johnson (fiance Steve Mahoney); and sister-in-law

Brenda Johnson, all of Rochester. She also is survived by several nieces and nephews, Spencer (Mallory) Johnson, Rochester, Collan Johnson, Fort Wayne, Glenn (Bambi) Johnson, Princeton, Texas, Brandi (Justin) Kneifel, Kouts, Ryan Johnson, Noblesville, Derek (Sarah) Johnson, Indianapolis, Tyler Stoll, Warsaw, Taylor (Austin) Beasley, Tippecanoe, Trey (Genevieve) Stoll, Warsaw, Bradley Johnson (fiancee Brandy Young), Rochester, Andrea Hamilton (fiance Seth Kauffman), Rochester, and Arin Johnson, Rochester.

There will be a celebration of life at noon on Aug. 19, 2017, at the Fulton County Historical Society. Memorial contributions in Denise's honor may be directed to the choice of the donor. To send condolences to the family, log on to [www.McGannHay.com](http://www.McGannHay.com).

### **Alexzander C. Long**

Infant Alexzander C. Long died Aug. 1, 2017, at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. Survivors include his parents, Brad and Hillary Long, Milford.

His funeral service is 11 a.m. Friday at Harrison Center (Wooden) Cemetery, Etna Green. Arrangements are handled by King Memorial Home.

Friday August 18, 2017

### **John M. Kennedy Ray**

May 3, 1962 – Aug. 13, 2017

John M. Kennedy Ray, 55, Kewanna, passed away unexpectedly on Sunday, Aug. 13, 2017, at his residence.

He was born on May 3, 1962, in Peru. On July 4, 1994, he married Lorna Riley. She survives. He was a U.S. Marine Corps veteran.

He was a member of the Carpenters Union No. 615 in Kokomo. He was an expert craftsman, specializing in custom mantels. John was a gentle giant who loved God and his country and his family and friends.

Survivors include his wife, Lorna Ray, Kewanna; daughters Devan Anetrella (Joseph), Destiny Ray and Isabella Ray, all of Kewanna; parents Norman and Catherine Ray, Kewanna; brothers Gene Ray, Norman Ray Jr. and Tommy Ray (Amanda); sisters Katherine Sellers, Michelle Ray, Mari Ray, Tonya Gregory and Tracy Ray Hedrick; stepson Charles Lantz (Nicole); and grandchildren Katana, Joshua, Leo, Dante and Grayson.

A celebration of life service will be at 2 p.m. today, Friday, Aug. 18, 2017, at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, 123 E. Main St., Kewanna. Visitation

was from 4-8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 17, 2017, at the funeral home. Burial will be at Greenlawn Cemetery in Mexico. Memorial contributions may be made to the family in care of the funeral home. Friends may sign the online guest book or leave a condolence for the Ray family at [www.ransfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com). Arrangements have been entrusted to Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel.

### **Robert Cover**

Robert Cover, 72, Denver, died Thursday at Wellbrooke of Wabash. Arrangements are pending at McClain Funeral Home.

### **Robert Wilby Evans**

March 16, 1928 - Aug. 15, 2017

Mr. Robert Wilby Evans, 89, Rochester, passed away at 6:40 a.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 15, 2017, at Hickory Creek of Rochester.

On March 16, 1928, Robert Wilby Evans was born in South Bend. He was a treasured son of Wilby G. and Rethal Irene Beehler Evans. Growing up, he shared his childhood with five brothers. As a Richland Center Wildcat, Bob graduated with the Class of 1947. During his high school years, he played basketball.

In Rochester, on July 11, 1948, Bob and Norma J. Bitterling were married. They shared 45 years of life's adventures. From their union came two beautiful daughters, Sherry and Christina.

With a strong work ethic, Bob worked for the McMahon-O'Connor Construction Company, primarily in the shop, retiring in 1993. He was a member of the Richland Center IOOF Lodge for more than 60 years. Bob was an avid and accomplished bowler.

Left to cherish the memory of Bob are his special friend, Regina Roberts, Nappanee; four brothers, Gerald C. Evans and wife Juanita, Columbia City, Larry W. Evans, Rochester, David L. Evans, Florida, and Mick Evans and wife Judy, Rochester; sister-in-law Roberta Evans, Rochester; and numerous nieces and nephews. Bob was preceded in death by his parents; beloved wife Norma on Jan. 2, 1993; two daughters, Christina J. Swango and Sherry L. Rogers; brother Gene Evans; and two sisters-in-law, Carolyn Joan Evans and Joanie Evans.

A public graveside service for Robert W. Evans will be at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Aug. 19, 2017, at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Pastor Mike Van Heyningen will officiate. Memorials may be made to the Fulton County Cancer Fund through the Northern Indiana Community Foundation, 715 Main St.,



Rochester, IN 46975. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www. goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Saturday August 19, 2017

### **Robert “Sid” Cover**

Robert “Sid” Cover, 72, Denver, died Thursday at Wellbrooke of Wabash.

Survivors include his wife, Pam Cover, Denver; mother Joan Cover, Denver; three daughters, Tina Berry, San Antonio, Texas, Stacy Howell, Denver, and Cassie Cover, Kokomo; a son, Mitch (Jerri) Cover, Mentone; and two sisters, Nancy Cover-Fields, Denver, and Ellen (Jim) Cofer, Alabama.

His funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at McClain Funeral Home. Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Monday at the funeral home.

### **Rebecca Reichard**

Rebecca Reichard, 90, Rochester, died Friday at Miller’s Merry Manor, Culver. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

### **William Johnson**

William Johnson, 70, rural Claypool, died Friday in Claypool. Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home.

Monday August 21, 2017

### **Stuart M. Savage**

Dec. 21, 1954 - Aug. 6, 2017

Stuart M. Savage, 62, of Sheridan, passed away unexpectedly on Sunday, Aug. 6, 2017, doing what he loved to do – being with friends and his brother Jayro.

Stuart was born Dec. 21, 1954, in Rochester. He was a graduate of Sheridan High School and attended Ball State University in Muncie. After college, Stuart moved to Texas and was the manager of lumber yard’s night club. Stuart was also the proud owner of Stuart’s Steakhouse in Sheridan. He was currently employed through Sterling Recruiting as an independent driver-recruiter.

Stuart was preceded in death by his father, William Savage, and his wife, Laura (Mosbaugh) Savage. Stuart will forever be remembered by his loving mother Mary Savage, his brother Jeff “Jayro” Savage, two treasured stepsons Dillon and Brandon Woodcock and his four-legged sons Bosco and William Dale.

Stuart cherished his family and friendships. He loved camping and traveling. But, most of all, Stuart loved life; he loved laughter. Stuart will be missed by many.

A celebration of life for Stuart is 4-5 p.m. Sept. 9, 2017 at F& AM Masonic Lodge, 930 S. White Ave., Sheridan.

### **Ramona M. Crispen**

Ramona M. Crispen, 79, of Macy, died Saturday at her home.

Survivors include her two daughters, Louise Kaiser and Judy Jones, both of Macy; three sons; Steven Crispen, Rochester, Rodney Crispen, Akron, Michael Crispen, Logansport; and brother, Ronald Phillips, Lacrosse, Wis.

Her funeral service is 6:30 p.m. Wednesday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation is 4 p.m. Wednesday until the time of service in the funeral home. Arrangements are handled by Good Family Funeral Home.

### **Rebecca Reichard**

Rebecca Reichard, 90, of Leiters Ford, died Friday at Miller's Merry Manor, Culver.

Survivors include her daughter, Nancy Reinholt, Rochester; son, Dennis Reichard, Rochester; and sister, Marie Mittica, Logansport.

A private family service will occur at a later date. Arrangements are handled by Good Family Funeral Home.

Tuesday August 22, 2017

### **William L. Johnson**

William L. Johnson, 70, rural Claypool, died Friday at Claypool.

Survivors include his wife, Carolyn S. Johnson, Claypool; his daughter, Heather Yell, San Angelo, Texas; and his son, Troy Johnson, Warsaw.

His funeral service is 3 p.m. Thursday at Silver Lake Wesleyan Church, 106 Walnut Street. Visitation is 1 p.m. to the time of the service Thursday at the church. Arrangements are handled by Hartzler Funeral Home.

### **Ramona Mae Crispen**

Aug. 28, 1937 - Aug. 19, 2017

Mrs. Ramona Mae Crispen, 79, Macy, was surrounded by her loving family when she passed away at 2:25 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 19, 2017, at her home.

In La Crosse, Wis., on Aug. 28, 1937, Ramona Mae Phillips was born. She was the cherished daughter of William and Ruby Burns Phillips. On April 21, 1956, also in La Crosse, Ramona married the love of her life, Mr. Fredrick Dean Crispen. Together they shared 48 years of life's adventures. From their union came two daughters and three sons.

Left to cherish the memory of Ramona are two daughters, Louise Kaiser and husband William "Bill," and Judy Jones and husband Kenny, all of Macy; three sons, Steven Crispen, Rochester, Rodney Crispen, Akron, and Michael Crispen, Logansport; 14 grandchildren; 42 great-grandchildren with another on the way; a brother, Ronald Phillips and wife Donna Mae, La Crosse, Wis.; a special friend and Bible buddy, Marilyn Peters, Rochester; the nurses and aides from Guardian Angel; and several nieces and nephews. Ramona was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Fredrick, in 2004; her parents; a sister, Donna Mae Grimes; two brothers, Donald Phillips and Jimmy Frauenkron; and her canine, "Baby Shablue 1st of Dozer," a keeshond.

A celebration of the life of Mrs. Ramona M. Crispen will be at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 23, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Friends may visit with her family from 4 p.m. until the time of the service Wednesday at the funeral home. A private family burial will be at a later date in the Fulton Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the donor's choice. More of Ramona's life story and online expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Wednesday August 23, 2017

### **Peggy J. Luedtke**

Peggy J. Luedtke, 90, Rochester, died Tuesday at home. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

### **'Peanut' Flenner**

Aug. 18, 2017 – Aug. 18, 2017

Infant "Peanut" Flenner, Rochester, was stillborn at 11:45 a.m. Friday, Aug. 18, 2017, at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Survivors include parents Sam Flenner and Dominique Barnes, Rochester; grandparents Shawna Gilbert, San Pierre, Jamie Drudge, Rochester, and Bridgette and Greg Flenner, Mentone; great-grandparents Rebecca Brandenburg, Rochester,

Ron Barnes, Massachusetts, Thomas Flenner, Warsaw, and auntie grandma, Kandi Brandenburg, Rochester; and several aunts and uncles.

A graveside service will occur at 11 a.m. Friday, Aug. 25, 2017, at Citizens Cemetery, Rochester. Memorial contributions may be made to the "Peanut" Memorial Fund. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Betty L. Steininger**

Betty L. Steininger, 82, Rochester, died Tuesday at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

Survivors include her husband, Ken, Rochester; a daughter, Melody Sweeny, Rochester; her son, Dave Steininger, Rochester; and three brothers, Paul Rynearson, Rochester, Frank Rynearson, Columbus, Ohio, and Larry Rynearson, Kouts.

Her funeral service is 1 p.m. Friday at New Life Church. Visitation is 4-7 p.m. Thursday at Good Family Funeral Home and one hour prior to the service Friday at the church.

### **Nada Jo Alspaugh**

July 22, 1923 – Aug. 19, 2017

Mrs. Nada Jo Alspaugh passed away on Aug. 19, 2017, at the age of 94.

She was born on July 22, 1923, to Frederick and Amanda Murphy in Akron and was the youngest of four daughters. Jo married her high school sweetheart, Foster D. (Joe) Alspaugh. Upon his retirement, they moved to Watkinsville, Ga., where they resided for almost 30 years.

She was the loving mother of three children, Frederick Alspaugh, Arlyss Brown, and Dana Blair. Jo was an active member in her church and sang in the choir for 57 years. She and her husband were founding members of A.C.T.S. (Area Churches Together Serving), a local charity.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Joe, and son Frederick. She is survived by her two daughters, seven grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren.

Her funeral service will be on Thursday, Aug. 24, 2017, at 11 a.m. at Watkinsville First United Methodist Church. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service Thursday at the church. Burial will follow the service at Oconee Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to A.C.T.S.

through Watkinsville First United Methodist Church. Lord and Stephens, West, is in charge of arrangements.

### **Brian Winters**

Brian Winters, 76, died peacefully in his home on Monday, Aug. 21, 2017.

He was born in Rochester. After living a number of years in the New York City area, Brian and his wife moved back to Indiana and made Warsaw their home.

He was a retiree of BASF Corporation (Flint Ink) of which he was a supervisor. He was also a member of the Warsaw Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses.

He is survived by his wife of 45 years, Helen; and his daughter, Lori (spouse Marshall) Clevenger, Plymouth. Also surviving are one brother, John P. Winters (spouse Kristie), Wayne, Mich.; and two sisters, Penny Sherman and Susan Watson, both of Oklahoma.

No memorial service will occur at this time, and there are no memorials. McHatton-Sadler Funeral Chapel, Warsaw, is entrusted to serve the family with arrangements. To sign the guest book or send a condolence, go to [www.mchattonsadlerfuneralchapels.com](http://www.mchattonsadlerfuneralchapels.com).

Thursday August 24, 2017

### **Carol A. Harrington**

Carol A. Harrington, 72, Rochester, died Aug. 3, 2017. No service is planned at this time. Arrangements are handled by Myers Mortuary, Lebanon.

### **Betty Louise Steininger**

July 3, 1935 - Aug. 22, 2017

Mrs. Betty Louise Steininger, 82, Rochester, passed away at 1:59 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 22, 2017. On July 3, 1935, Betty was born in Fulton County to Ellis and Lucille Towne Rynearson.

Betty and Kenneth L. Steininger were married on July 31, 1955, at Grandview Church in Richland Township. They shared 62 years of life's adventures.

Betty will be lovingly remembered by her husband, Ken, Rochester; daughter Melody Sweeny and husband Ron, Rochester; son Dave Steininger and wife Cindy, Rochester; eight grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; three brothers, Paul Rynearson and wife Nancy, Rochester, Frank

Rynearson and wife Nancy, Columbus, Ohio, and Larry Rynearson and wife Carol, Kouts; and several nieces and nephews. Betty was preceded in death by her parents; daughter Debbie McFarland; two grandchildren; and sister Margaret Rynearson.

A celebration of the life of Betty L. Steininger will be at 1 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 25, 2017, at New Life Church, 42 E. 50 N., or U.S. 31 and 50 North, Rochester, with Pastors Daniel Davidson and Rick Smail officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 4-7 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 24, 2017, at the funeral home and one hour prior to the service Friday at the church. Interment will be in Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Fulton County Cancer Fund through the Northern Indiana Community Foundation, 715 Main St., Rochester, IN 46975. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to Betty's family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Peggy J. Luedtke**

Peggy J. Luedtke, 90, Rochester, died Tuesday at home. Survivors include her children, Linda Luedtke, Rochester, Barbara Duncan, Michigan City, and Sue Ann Duncan, Michigan City.

No service is scheduled at this time. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

Friday August 25, 2017

### **Helen Louise Cox**

Jan. 8, 1930 - Aug. 23, 2017

Helen Louise Cox, 87, Nappanee, and formerly of Akron and Atwood, died on Wednesday, Aug. 23, 2017, at 6:55 p.m. at Miller's Merry Manor, Wakarusa, where she was in rehab.

She was born on Jan. 8, 1930, in Goodland, to Fred Lee Sell and Olive Minerva (Luse) Sell. Helen was married to Vernon Cox on Dec. 19, 1947, in Goodland.

Helen worked 23 years and retired at RR Donnelley in Warsaw, where her main job was being a shipping clerk.

She lived in Atwood beginning in 1956 and then moved to Akron, where she lived for four years. After her husband died and with Helen having some health issues, she moved to Heritage House Senior Living in Nappanee.

While living in Atwood, she attended the Otterbein United Methodist Church; and then in Akron, she attended the Akron Church of God. She was very active, serving on many church boards. Helen and her husband very involved in helping others. She was involved in I.C.A.R.E. – Interfaith Coalition Andrew (Hurricane), helped with the Recovery Effort in Florida, and assisted at a work camp in the summer for the United Methodist Oklahoma Indian Project.

Helen enjoyed quilt making and cherished her grandchildren and great-grandchildren and gave them all the love she could. Her favorite color was purple. She was very special, and her own children considered her to be a “Super Mom.”

Helen is survived by five children, Diana (William) Davis, Byron, Mich.; Jon (Kathy) Cox, Atwood, Mark (Sonia) Cox, Akron, Matthew (Tersa) Cox, Wakarusa, and David Cox, Milton, Fla; two brothers, Charles “Chuck” (Janet) Sell, Goodland, and Robert Sell, Goodland; one sister, Leona (Bill) Elbert, West Lafayette; 15 grandchildren; and 24 great-grandchildren with two more on the way. Helen was preceded in death by her husband, Vernon Cox, in 2009; grandson Ryan Jacob Cox, in 2009; three brothers, James, Earl, and Phillip “Pete” Sell; two sisters, Ruth Marie Sell and Dorothy Stumbaugh; and a daughter-in-law, Traci Cox, in 2015.

Visitation will be Saturday, Aug. 26, 2017, from 10 a.m.-noon at the Earl-Love Funeral Home in Akron. Her funeral service will be Saturday, Aug. 26, 2017, following visitation, officiated by Pastor Jeff Sumner of Olive Branch Church. Burial will follow in the Akron IOOF Cemetery. Memorial contributions requested by Helen may be made to Riley’s Children Foundation at 30 S. Meridian Street, Suite 200, Indianapolis, IN 462043509, or online. The staff of Earl-Love Funeral Home considers it a privilege and an honor to care for the family and friends of Helen Cox.

Saturday August 26, 2017

**Jerry Lee Knight Jr.**

Oct. 27, 1964 - Aug. 22, 2017

Jerry Lee Knight Jr., 52, Rochester, passed away at 5:35 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 22, 2017, at his residence.

He was born on Oct. 27, 1964, in Rochester, the son of Jerry L. and Barbara (Shireman) Knight Sr. On Nov. 15, 2009, in Warsaw, he married Cassandra Redinger. She survives.

Mr. Knight had been a welder and a member of ABATE. In his spare time, he enjoyed working on cars and his motorcycles.

Survivors include his wife, Cassandra Knight, Rochester; children Mickey and wife Brandi Knight, Rochester, Ashley Gundrum and fiancé Justin Baird, Fulton, Kiegan Willis, Plymouth, Skylee Knight, Knox, Jerry Knight III, Knox, Isaiah Knight, Knox, Wyatt Knight, Rochester, and Stormy Knight, Rochester; grandchildren Aireian Knight, Peru, Natalyn Knight, Rochester, Ella Knight, Rochester, Tyler Wolfe, Rochester, Riley Wolfe, Rochester, Camden Cunningham, Fulton, Kayvan Record, Fulton, Kyrsta Record, Fulton, and Kooper Baird, Fulton; great-grandchildren Alexis Cunningham and Addison Cunningham, both of Rochester, and Shiloh Knight, Knox; sisters Tammy Knight, Talma, and Pam Arnett, Rochester; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents.

A graveside service will occur at 6:15 p.m. Monday, Aug. 28, 2017, at Citizens Cemetery, Rochester. Friends may call from 4-6 p.m. Monday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Memorial contributions may be made to the Jerry L. Knight Jr. Benefit Ride, which is scheduled for Sept. 3, 2017, starting at Putt's Bar & Grill, 128 E. Eighth St., Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

Monday August 28, 2017

### **Dennis Bailey**

Dennis Bailey, 69, Rochester, died Sunday at home. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

### **Shawn Rodriguez**

Shawn Rodriguez, 51, Rochester, died Sunday at home. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

Tuesday August 29, 2017

### **Larry Jay Umberger Sr.**

Feb. 24, 1949 - Aug. 25, 2017

Mr. Larry Jay Umberger Sr., 68, passed away unexpectedly on Aug. 25, 2017, after a happy and love-filled life.



He was born in Rochester on Feb. 24, 1949, to Donna Spencer and James Umberger. The oldest of six children, he excelled at sports and spent most of his summers working on his grandfather's farm. He married his high school sweetheart and the love of his life, Karen Rhoads, on Aug. 30, 1969. They would have celebrated their 48th wedding anniversary this month.

Larry worked as a construction project manager, which moved him and his wife around the country in the early years of their marriage. They settled down in Mocksville, N.C., in 1982 with their four children.

Larry was active in the community sports programs, coaching and always cheering for his children in sports and life. He welcomed the first of eight grandchildren in 2002 and found a new happiness and even more love. He loved his grandbabies and enjoyed every aspect that being "Poppy" could bring.

He and his wife enjoyed traveling the country and looked forward to an upcoming trip to reconnect with old friends. On the weekends, Larry and Karen often found an auction to go to or would simply venture out to yard sales or antique sales. He could fix almost anything and was not scared of a challenge. His kids could always count on his willingness to help around their homes and he enjoyed projects around his own home.

He was preceded in death by his father, James Umberger; stepfather John Spencer; father-in-law John Rhoads; niece Christy Bissinger; and a brother-in-law, Gary Smith. He is survived by his wife of 48 years, Karen R. Umberger, of the home; his daughters, Shannon (Chris) Patton, Mocksville, N.C., Gretchen (Jimmy) Steelman, Fuquay-Varina, N.C., and Erin Umberger, Mocksville, N.C.; his son, Larry Umberger Jr. (Mandy), Raleigh, N.C.; his grandchildren, David, Ian, and Jaynie Patton, Mocksville, N.C., Ryder and Ryan Steelman, Fuquay-Varina, N.C., Mackenzie Umberger, Mocksville, N.C., and Larry Umberger III "Jay" and Mary Umberger, Raleigh, N.C.; his mother, Donna Spencer, Cicero; his mother-in-law, Jane Rhoads, McCormick, S.C.; his siblings, Twila Smith, Rochester, Kevin Spencer, Tipton, Kim (Russ) Milkey, Arcadia, Brian (Carol) Spencer, Cicero, and Brenda (Kurt) King, Cicero; and many nieces, nephews and other family members.

A funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 29, 2017, at Bethlehem United Methodist Church in Advance, N.C., with the Rev. Chuck Baker and Rev. Dan Martin officiating. The family will receive friends from 6-8 p.m. Monday, Aug. 28, 2017, at Eaton Funeral Home, Mocksville, N.C. Memorials may be sent to the American Heart Association, P.O. Box 5216, Glen Allen, VA 23058-5216; or the Bethlehem United Methodist Church Cemetery Fund, c/o James C. Howard,

430 Hilton Rd., Advance, NC 27006. Online condolences may be made at [www.eatonfuneralservice.com](http://www.eatonfuneralservice.com).

### **Dennis Bailey**

Dennis Bailey, 69, Rochester, died Sunday at home.

Survivors include his wife, Pam; three daughters, Michelle Wasz, DeMotte, Kimberly Bailey, Valparaiso, and Mallorie Bailey, Rochester; two sisters, Sandra Garza, Dyer, and Donna Cooley, Lansing, Ill.; and a brother, Richard Cooley, Portage.

His funeral service is 1 p.m. Thursday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 11 a.m. to the time of the service Thursday at the funeral home.

### **Kermitt K. Koistinen**

Kermitt K. Koistinen, 90, died Thursday at Miller's Merry Manor, Peru.

Survivors include two daughters, Linda Astarita, Madison Heights, Mich., and Lori Cheever, Peru.

His memorial service is 2:30 p.m. Friday at Westlawn Cemetery, Denver. Arrangements are handled by McClain Funeral Home.

Wednesday August 30, 2017

### **Dr. William G. McCarthy**

Sept. 26, 1926 - Aug. 26, 2017

Dr. William G. McCarthy, 90, Terre Haute, passed away early Saturday morning, Aug. 26, 2017, at St. Vincent Heart Center, Carmel.

He was a professor of early childhood and elementary education at Indiana State University. He was born Sept. 26, 1926, in Mill Valley, Calif., to William Matthew McCarthy and Honora Josephine Nolan McCarthy.

Survivors include his wife of 66 years, Susan Gans McCarthy; children Mary Catherine McCarthy (Charles Bales), Isabel McCarthy (Rod Kirk), Daniel McCarthy (Susie Marvel), Joe McCarthy (Mary Ann McCarthy) and Susan Reynolds (Trevor Reynolds); and grandchildren Alison Bales, Sarah Bales, J.D. Bales (Jan-Marie Bales), J.R. Bales, Christina Collins (Brett Collins), Katie Kirk, Kevin McCarthy (Bethany Bannister-Andrews), Regan McCarthy, B.J. McCarthy (Sara McCarthy) and Francesca McCarthy.

Dr. McCarthy was a graduate of the University of California, Berkeley, and earned his doctoral degree from Stanford University. He served as department

chair and professor of elementary education at Indiana State University from 1969-1991.

Bill, a veteran of the United States Army Air Force during World War II, served in the Aleutian Islands in Alaska. He studied to become a master naturalist for the state of Indiana and founded the Prairie Hoosier Music Group. Bill volunteered for the Red Cross, assisting at three major disasters as well as responding to local crises.

A family man, Bill always made time for dinner with his wife and children. With his family, he enjoyed picnics in the park, excursions to museums, clam-digging along the California coast, camping trips, visiting relatives, and Elderhostel adventures with grandchildren.

Visitation is scheduled for Thursday, Aug. 31, 2017, from 4-7 p.m., with a rosary to be recited at 6:30 p.m., at St. Patrick Church in Terre Haute. A Memorial Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 2, 2017, also at St. Patrick Catholic Church, 1807 Poplar St., with Father Dan Bedel officiating. There will be a Celebration of Bill's Life at Nature's Return after the funeral service. Memorial contributions may be made to the William G. McCarthy and Susan Gans McCarthy Endowment, c/o Indiana State University Foundation, 30 N. Fifth St., Terre Haute, IN 47809, or <https://www.applyweb.com/public/contribute?s=isugg>. This endowment grants funds to faculty members or administrators who propose projects to support children's literacy or to reduce poverty.

### **Dennis Bailey**

Dec. 3, 1947 - Aug. 27, 2017

Mr. Dennis Bailey, 69, Rochester, passed away at 9:20 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 27, 2017, at his residence.

On Dec. 3, 1947, Dennis was born in Chicago. Growing up, he shared his childhood with two sisters and a brother. Following high school, patriotism beckoned. Dennis answered the call, serving with the United States Army.

On Feb. 15, 1985, in Porter County's St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Dennis married the love of his life, Pamela Marie Von Huben. They shared 32 years of life's adventures. Together they raised three beautiful daughters, Michelle, Kimberly and Mallorie. The family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of two grandchildren.

With a strong work ethic developed during his formative years, Dennis started work at the age of 16. He was a member of retail management, primarily

with Kmart, working in northwest Indiana, then transferring to Kmart of Peru. As part of a leadership team, Dennis was a co-manager at Walmart in Plymouth until he retired in 2016.

Gifted in the use of his hands, Dennis was skilled in carpentry and home repair. His basement wood shop was the spot where he worked on projects to repair or improve his home. To relax, he and his wife enjoyed and relaxed on the golf course while shooting 18 holes.

Dennis will be lovingly remembered by his wife, Pam; three daughters, Michelle Wasz and husband Robert, DeMotte, Kimberly Bailey, Valparaiso, and Mallorie Bailey and fiance Jared Figlio, Rochester; two grandchildren, Brandon Ashby and Olivia Figlio; two sisters, Sandra Garza, Dyer, and Donna Cooley, Lansing, Ill.; a brother, Richard Cooley and wife Dana, Portage; mother-in-law Frances Von Huben, Chesterton; and several nieces and nephews. Dennis was preceded in death by the father who raised him, Ray Cooley; his mother, Jean Malechi Cooley; and a nephew, Kevin Garza.

A celebration of the life of Mr. Dennis Bailey will be at 1 p.m. EST on Thursday, Aug. 31, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Father Michael McKinney officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. EST on Thursday at the funeral home. Interment will be in the Chesterton Cemetery. Military rites will be conducted by the Fulton County Veterans Honor Guard and the U.S. Army Honor Team. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to Dennis' family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Shawn Rodriguez**

Shawn Rodriguez, 51, formerly of St. Petersburg, Fla., died Sunday at his sister's home in Rochester.

Survivors include his daughter, Patricia Hiebert, Fort Campbell, Ky.; a son, Thomas Rodriguez, St. Petersburg, Fla.; his father, Raymond Rodriguez, Neosho, Mo.; two sisters, Melody Davidson, Rochester, and Helen Rodriguez, South Bend; and his brothers, Ramon Rodriguez, Rock Springs, Wyo., Dean Rodriguez, Neosho, Mo., and Joseph Rodriguez, Rochester.

A private family service will occur. Arrangements are handled by Good Family Funeral Home.

### **Pauline Smith**

Pauline Smith, 85, formerly of Miami County, died Aug. 23, 2017, at NHC HealthCare, Sumter, S.C.

Survivors include her children, David Palmer, Wamego, Kan., Patricia Malott, Peru, Lesa Veteto, Georgetown, Mark Palmer, Attica, and Michelle Ward, Sumter, S.C.

Her funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Friday at McClain Funeral Home. Visitation is 9 a.m. to the time of the service Friday at the funeral home.

### **Autie L. Ferguson**

Autie L. Ferguson, 52, Wabash, died Friday.

Survivors include his wife, Angela Ferguson, Wabash; five children, Tyler Ferguson, Fort Drum, N.Y., Bethany Isaac, Muncie, Amanda Fryar, Fort Wayne, Jenna Ferguson, Mountain Dale, N.Y., and Jordan Jones, Wabash; his brothers, Ambrus Ferguson, Peru, and Mark Ferguson, Peru; and his sister, Frances Royce, Marion.

No service will occur. Arrangements are handled by McClain Funeral Home.

Thursday August 31, 2017

### **Shawn Rodriguez**

Shawn Rodriguez, 51, formerly of St. Petersburg, Fla., died at his sister's home in Rochester.

Survivors include his daughter, Patricia Hiebert, Fort Campbell, Ky.; a son, Thomas Rodriguez, St. Petersburg, Fla.; his father, Raymond Rodriguez, Neosho, Mo.; two sisters, Melody Davidson, Rochester, and Helen Rodriguez, South Bend; and five brothers, Jay Gragg, Helena, Okla., Roy Gragg, South Bend, Ramon Rodriguez, Rock Springs, Wyo., Dean Rodriguez, Neosho, Mo., and Joseph Rodriguez, Rochester.

A private family service will occur. Arrangements are handled by Good Family Funeral Home.

Friday September 1, 2017

### **Patricia S. Henning**

Patricia S. Henning, 90, Donaldson, and formerly of Rochester, died Thursday at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

Saturday September 2, 2017

**Patricia S. Henning**

Aug. 24, 1927 – Aug. 31, 2017

Patricia S. Henning, 90, Donaldson, and formerly of Rochester, passed away at 4:10 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 31, 2017, at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth campus.

She was born on Aug. 24, 1927, in Elwood. She grew up in the home of her grandparents, Robert and Blanche Hansberry, in Cool Springs. She attended Shortridge High School in Indianapolis, and later completed her education in Crown Point.

In 1947, she married John D. Henning. He preceded her in death on Nov. 16, 1992. It was during her time living in southwestern Lake County that she became an active community volunteer and developed many lifelong relationships. She was active with her Homemakers Club, the Women's Guild of Lake Prairie Presbyterian Church, the Regional Crisis Hot-Line and Meals on Wheels. When she and her late husband retired to Rochester, she volunteered with the cancer association. She also worked at ElTippWa, an adult education program.

Mrs. Henning was an avid reader and stalwart advocate of education. She enjoyed frogs, rocks and geology. She especially enjoyed time spent with her family and friends.

Survivors include her daughters, Sharon (Richard) Rahdert, West Lafayette, and Carole Conners, Granger; son Gregory (Ruby) Henning, Rochester; grandchildren Julie (Michael) Carlo, South Bend, Ryan (Cati) Conners, Bristol, John (Sally) Carlson, Noblesville, Geoffrey (Kelsey) Carlson, Otterbein, and Michell, Vanessa and Madison Henning, all of Rochester; great-grandchildren Nicholas (Alex) Carlo, Granger, Matthew and Austin Carlo, South Bend, Ella and Ava Carlson, Noblesville, and Colleen and Andria Conners, Bristol; sister Sara Rising, Humble, Texas; and brother John Fairfield, San Diego, Calif. She was preceded in death by her mother, Vivian Hansberry Fairfield; son J. Richard "Rich" Henning; and grandson Paul A. Conners.

Her funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 5, 2017, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation will be from noon-2 p.m. Tuesday at

the funeral home. Burial will be in the Reichter Cemetery, Rochester. Memorial contributions may be made to the Fulton County Public Library or to the donor's favorite charity. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Lindsey N. Harts**

Lindsey N. Harts, 26, Kokomo, died Tuesday in Kokomo. Survivors include her mother, Lori Jo Wright, Kokomo; and two sons, Ashtyn Harts and Jerald Harts, Kokomo.

Her funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at McClain Funeral Home. Visitation is 4-7 p.m. Monday at the funeral home.

### **Darle Gene Azbell**

May 30, 1943 – Aug. 27, 2017

Darle Gene Azbell, 74, Peru, passed away at home on Aug. 27, 2017, after a courageous three-month battle with brain cancer.

He was born in Denver on May 30, 1943, to the late Thurman and Lova Snyder Azbell. He was a graduate of Rochester High School in 1961 and worked at Delphi Electronics, Kokomo, for 32 years until his retirement in 2005.

He was mechanically gifted and loved to work with his hands. He was handy to have around and was always willing to help others. He enjoyed playing euchre with the Card Club, riding a motorcycle with the Cycle Gang and playing golf with his friends. He also loved fishing and playing with his grandchildren. He was funny, determined and independent and had a strong competitive spirit. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

Darle is survived by his loving wife of 54 years, Carolyn Sue Alspach Azbell; sons Darle "Gene" (Weina) Azbell Jr. and Jeffrey Todd Azbell; grandchildren Joshua Todd (Courtney) Azbell, Jocelyn Azbell, Sydney Azbell, and Nicholas Azbell; step grandchildren Joe and Hayley Townsend; and great-grandson Jack Todd Azbell, all of Peru; brother Wendell (Carol) Azbell, North Vernon; sister Janet "Dolly" Ballinger, Rochester; sisters-in-law Berdene Azbell, Rochester, and Grace Azbell, North Manchester; brother-in-law William (Susan) Leill, Laingsburg, Mich.; and numerous nieces and nephews. Darle was preceded in death by his brothers, Merrill Azbell, North Manchester, Harold "Dean" Azbell, and Maurice Azbell; and sister Ruth (William) Green, all of Rochester; and sisters-in-law Betty (Jim) Black and Patricia Campbell, both of Peru.

Visitation will be on Wednesday, Sept. 6, 2017, from 5-7 p.m., followed by a memorial service from 7-8 p.m. at the Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru. Burial will take place on Thursday, Sept. 7, 2017, at 3:30 p.m. at Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to First Church of the Nazarene, located at 331 W. Sixth St., Peru, IN 46970. Arrangements have been entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home. Family and friends may sign the online guest book at [www.flowersleedyallen.com](http://www.flowersleedyallen.com).

Monday September 4, 2017

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Tuesday September 5, 2017

**Levellia M. Piercy**

May 26, 1932 – Sept. 1, 2017

Levellia M. Piercy, 85, Logansport, passed away Friday, Sept. 1, 2017, at her residence surrounded by her family.

Born on May 26, 1932, in Patsey, Ky., she was the daughter of the late Hughie and Carrie (Hall) Townsend. On Dec. 31, 1949, in Walton, she married Paul T. Piercy. He preceded her in death on July 30, 2010.

Levellia formerly worked for United Technologies as an assembler. She was a member of Bethel Temple Church in Logansport.

Surviving are two daughters, Vicki (Glen) Albright, Rochester, and Paula (Robin) Moore, Peru; five grandchildren, Bryan (Kristy) Albright, Rochester, Tina (Michael) Paschen, Lucerne, Travis (Emilee) Albright, Kewanna, Domonique (Tom) Scheiter, Peru, and Michael (Lacy) Moore, Peru; 12 great-grandchildren; two brothers, Lemon (Diamond) Townsend, Kokomo, and Bud Townsend, Noblesville; several nieces and nephews; and special neighbors, Leo (Lucy) Spitznogle, Logansport, and Mark (Cindy) Foust, Logansport. She was preceded in death by a great-grandson, Samuel Paschen; and a brother and sister-in-law, Orval (Jerry) Townsend.

A celebration of life will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 6, 2017, at the Gundrum Funeral Home, Logansport, with Pastor Bruce Russell and Bryan Albright officiating. Burial will be in Ever-Rest Cemetery, Logansport. Visitation will be from 2-7 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 5, 2017, also at the funeral home. Family and friends may sign Levellia's guest book online at [www.gundrumcares.com](http://www.gundrumcares.com).



**Joseph F. Aguinaga**

Joseph F. Aguinaga, 79, Rochester, died Aug. 29, 2017, at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Survivors include his wife, Helen; a daughter, Dawn Rubio, Rochester; and a sister, Anna Pruett, Chicago.

His funeral service is 4 p.m. Thursday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 3 p.m. to the time of the service Thursday at the funeral home.

**Terry L. Porter**

Terry L. Porter, 69, Rochester, died Friday at home. Survivors include his wife, Janice, Rochester; his daughter, Bethany Porter, Rochester; and two sons, Bob Porter, Monterey, and Ruger Porter, Albany, Ohio.

A private service will occur. Arrangements were handled by Good Family Funeral Home.

**Richard A. Norman**

Richard A. Norman, 60, Rochester, died Sunday at home.

Survivors include his wife, Bonnie, Rochester; three daughters, Crystal Norman, Rochester, Amber Norman-Wicker, Rochester, and Alicia Norman-Crumley, Akron; his father, Richard L. Norman, Rochester; two sisters, Linda Smiley, Rochester, and Deb Montel, Rochester; and a brother, Tim Norman, Jamestown, Ohio.

His funeral service is 11 a.m. Friday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 9 a.m. to the time of the service Friday at the funeral home.

Wednesday September 6, 2017

**Dale A. Miller**

A graveside service for Dale A. Miller, 65, formerly of Rochester, who died June 7, 2017, is 1 p.m. Friday at Rochester IOOF Cemetery, with a memorial service at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Rochester Lions Club's building.

**Nancy Kuhn**

Nancy Kuhn, 69, Rochester, died Tuesday at home. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

**Terry L. Porter**

Terry L. Porter, a Rochester resident and longtime maintainer at Dean Foods, died on Sept. 1, 2017. He passed away in his home surrounded by his family.

He was proud that he could swim the length of an Olympic-sized swimming pool underwater and flew 10 miles up in the air and twice the speed of sound while he was young and in the Navy. But in his later years, he enjoyed the projects and mischief he orchestrated with his friends and family, including making his own cannon.

Terry is survived by Janice, his wife of 49 years; their children, daughter Bethany Porter, and two sons, Bob Porter and wife Michelle, Monterey, and Ruger Porter and wife Kira, Albany, Ohio; and his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

The Good Family Funeral Home is entrusted with arrangements. Friends may leave online expressions of sympathy for Terry's family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Richard 'Rick' Allan Norman**

May 28, 1957 – Sept. 3, 2017

Mr. Richard "Rick" Allan Norman, 60, Rochester, was surrounded by his loving family when he passed away Sunday, Sept. 3, 2017, at his home.

In Fulton County on May 28, 1957, Richard Allan Norman was born. He was a treasured son of Roy L. and Phyllis A. Van Lue Norman. Growing up, he shared his childhood with two sisters, Linda and Deb, and a brother, Tim. With great Zebra pride, he graduated from Rochester High School with the Class of 1975.

Patriotism beckoned, and Rick answered the call, serving with the United States Air Force from 1975 until he was honorably discharged in August 1979. On March 27, 1982, in Rochester, Rick married the love of his life, Bonnie Hinson. From their union came three beautiful daughters. The family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of four grandchildren, with another due to arrive this December.

Talented and knowledgeable with electronics, Rick teamed with his dad Roy at Norman's TV. He assumed full ownership of the business from 1997-2014. In 2003, he began working with the Rapid-View team and worked until recently, making sure their cameras and technology divisions ran smoothly.

Left to cherish the memory of Rick are his wife, Bonnie, Rochester; three daughters, Crystal Norman and companion Charles Ratliff, Rochester, Amber Norman-Wicker (Jason), Rochester, and Alicia Norman-Crumley (Matthew),

Akron; five grandchildren, Michael, Braxton, Matthew, Aubri, and Joshua Richard, due to arrive later this year in December; his father, Roy L. Norman, Rochester; two sisters, Linda Smiley (Brad), Rochester, and Deb Montel, Rochester; a brother, Tim Norman (Robin), Jamestown, Ohio; special lifelong friends Mike Allman and Tom Puckett; and his canine companions, the German shepherds, Max and Mace.

A celebration of the life of Mr. Richard “Rick” Allan Norman will be Friday, Sept. 8, 2017, at 11 a.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Pastor David Dittman will officiate. The family will receive his friends from 9 a.m. until the hour of his service Friday at the funeral home. Burial will follow in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Memorials in lieu of flowers may be made to Riley Children’s Hospital, 30 S. Meridian St., Suite 200, Indianapolis, IN 46204-3509; the Make-A-Wish Foundation, 7330 Woodland Drive, Suite 201, Indianapolis, IN 46278; or The Shriners Hospital for Children-Chicago, 2211 N. Oak Park Ave., Chicago, IL 60707. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Thursday September 7, 2017

### **Nancy Lee Kuhn**

Dec. 29, 1947 – Sept. 5, 2017

Nancy Lee Kuhn, 69, Rochester, passed away at 3:07 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 5, 2017, at the home of her son.

On Dec. 29, 1947, Nancy Lee Swick was born in Kosciusko County. She was a treasured daughter of Claude and Fern Warren Swick. As one of the 10 Swick children, growing up as the eighth child born, she shared her childhood with six brothers and three sisters. With great Flyer pride, Nancy graduated from Akron High School with the Class of 1965.

On Aug. 8, 1966, in Fulton County, Nancy married Michael Kuhn. From their union came three handsome sons. The family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of two more generations. The couple later separated and divorced.

With a strong work ethic, Nancy was employed with Torin, Brookside and then Lau, retiring in the late ’90s. She also enjoyed working at Rochester’s original Walmart. Through the years, Nancy tended the bar at the Manitou VFW No. 1343, the Eagles lodge and the Leroy Shelton American Legion Post No. 36.

A women with a helping heart and warm personality, her favorite work stint was with Miller’s Merry Manor in Warsaw as a certified nursing assistant. She was a member of the Eagles Women’s Auxiliary.

With a love for the outdoors, Nancy liked flower gardening, annually planting flowers to enhance the landscape of her home. Her favorite flowers were bright and vibrant lilies. Her adventurous spirit was present when she relaxed. She joined her oldest son on his motorcycle to enjoy the feeling of freedom while catching the breeze and listening to AC/DC. Paramount in her life were her grandchildren and the great-grands. Their visits, family celebrations and holiday gatherings were second to none.

Left to cherish the memory of Nancy are three sons, James Kuhn and wife Betsy, Rochester, Brian Kuhn and wife Jami, Jacksonville, N.C., and Jeff Kuhn, Rochester; nine grandchildren, Eric Kuhn, Ashley Kuhn, Kaitlin Kuhn, Jana Kuhn, Amanda Barnes, Louis B. Peradotto IX, Hillary Peradotto, David Kuhn, and Cassidy Kuhn; six great-grandchildren, Breydon Adkins, Kaydence Kuhn, twins Jonathan and James Hilton, Laila Peradotto, and Louis B. Peradotto X; two more blessings to arrive, Baby Kora due in October and another due in February 2018; two sisters, Arlene Miller, Warsaw, and Marilyn Collins and husband Jim, Rochester; five brothers, Frank Swick and wife Judy, Palestine Lake, Ronnie Swick and wife Caroline, Burket, Macks Swick and wife Donna, Warsaw, David Swick and wife Tammy, Mentone, and Mark Swick and wife Valerie, Florida; and numerous nieces and nephews. Nancy was preceded in death by her parents; husband; an infant sister, Phyllis; and a brother, Eldon.

A private family celebration of Nancy's life will be at a later date. The Good Family Funeral Home has been entrusted with arrangements. Friends may share a memory or send online condolences to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Mae Eastwood**

Mae Eastwood, 62, Kewanna, died Wednesday at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Mishawaka. Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home.

Friday September 8, 2017

No Obituaries

Saturday September 9, 2017

### **Patricia A. Anglin**

Patricia A. Anglin, 69, Kewanna, died Friday at home. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

### **Cecil V. Warner**

Cecil V. Warner, 97, Argos, died Thursday at Pilgrim Manor, Plymouth.

Survivors include his daughters, Kathy Blackman, Rochester, Lori Thomas, Argos, Becky Gary, Rancho Cucamonga, Calif., and Liz O'Dell, Argos; and his sister, Geneva Nelson, Highland.

His funeral service is 3 p.m. Monday at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos. Visitation is 1 p.m. to the time of the service Monday at the funeral home.

### **Mae Eastwood**

Jan. 21, 1955 – Sept. 6, 2017

Mae Eastwood, 62, Kewanna, passed away peacefully at 7 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 6, 2017, at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Mishawaka.

Born Jan. 21, 1955, in Phoenix, Ariz., she was the daughter of the late Elwin K. and Clarice (Smith) Bartram. On Feb. 3, 1973, she married Kenneth Eastwood. He survives.

Mae was a dedicated mother and grandmother and loved spending time with her family. She also enjoyed gardening and singing. Mae was a member of Church of The Heartland in Winamac.

Survivors include her husband, Ken Eastwood, Kewanna; daughters Ange Blanchard (Jordan Brown), Kewanna, and Trina Doty (Josh Demond), Kewanna; son Nicholas Eastwood (Crystal Henry), Kewanna; brothers Kenny Bartram, Kewanna, Michael Bartram, Rochester, and Ricky Bartram, Rochester; sisters Barbie Baldwin (Chuck), Kewanna, Robin Whiteman (Doug), Winamac, Debra Eastwood (Phillip), Kewanna, Pam Evers (Mike Thomas), Logansport, and Karen Evers, Arizona; 11 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild. She was preceded in death by her daughter, Stephanie Crissinger; sons-in-law Brian Doty and Chris Blanchard; and brother Donnie Bartram.

Her funeral service will be 1 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 12, 2017, at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel, with Pastor Heath Hiatt officiating. Visitation will be from 4-8 p.m. Monday, Sept. 11, 2017, at the funeral home. Friends may sign the online guest book or leave a condolence for the Eastwood family at [www.ransfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com). Arrangements have been entrusted to Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel.

Monday September 11, 2017

**Patricia A. Anglin**

Nov. 18, 1947 – Sept. 8, 2017

Patricia A. Anglin, 69, Kewanna, and formerly of Rochester, passed away at 12:04 p.m. Friday, Sept. 8, 2017, at her residence.

She was born on Nov. 18, 1947, in Winamac, the daughter of Harry and Mary Ann (Perry) McClellan. She married Bobby Joe Anglin and he preceded her in death in March of 2011.

Mrs. Anglin had lived in the Nortonville, Kentucky area for many years before returning to Rochester. She had been a homemaker and had worked for the former Torin Corp. She enjoyed canning, gardening and was a vivid story teller to her children and grandchildren.

Survivors include her children, Kimberly and husband Andy Biltz, Kewanna, John C. and wife Stephanie Miller, Lakeville; grandchildren, Destiny and husband Sam Rice, Akron, Crystal Smith, Rochester, Johnathan Miller, Kewanna, Kelsie Biltz, Kewanna, Nicole Wells, Nortonville, Ky., James and wife Rheanna Lee, Madisonville, Ky., John Miller, Lakeville; great-grandchildren, Erica Tapp, Akron, Rigdon Miller, Akron, Fynnleigh Huff, Akron, Murphy Rice, Akron, Kimberlynn Nystrom, Rochester, Kyler Smith, Rochester, Ryler Wells, Nortonville, Ky., Jada Wells, Nortonville, Ky., Andrew Wells, Nortonville, Ky., Linda Lee, Madisonville, Ky.; sister, Connie and husband Clayton Watson, Florida. She was preceded in death by her daughter, Cheryl Doll, in April of 2014.

No services are scheduled at this time. Arrangements are by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

**Joseph Wolf**

Joseph Wolf, 65, Rochester, died Sunday, Sept. 10, 2017. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

Tuesday September 12, 2017

**Katherine Marie Beebout**

Feb. 19, 1993 – Sept. 10, 2017

Katherine Marie Beebout, 24, Rochester, passed away Sept. 10, 2017.

Born on Feb. 19, 1993, in Logansport, she was the daughter of Debra Sosa and the late Floyd Beebout.

Katherine worked at Tyson Foods. She enjoyed music, dancing, being silly and spending time with her daughter.

Surviving along with her mother, Debra (Ryan) Easterday, Rochester, are her daughter, Emori Shaffer, Winamac; sister Lindsey Beebout, Rochester; brother Tyler Beebout, Rochester; niece Serenity Beebout; and many aunts, uncles and cousins.

A celebration of life will be at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 13, 2017, at Gundrum Funeral Home, Logansport, with Pastor Aaron Gross officiating. Visitation will be from 4 p.m. until the time of the service Wednesday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the family. Family and friends may sign the guest book or send online condolences at [www.gundrumcares.com](http://www.gundrumcares.com).

### **Marilyn Sue Grubbs Welborn**

Feb. 12, 1934 – Sept. 9, 2017

Marilyn Sue Grubbs Welborn, 83, formerly of Argos, died on Sept. 9, 2017, at 9:20 a.m. at the Catherine Kasper Life Center, Donaldson, where she had been in declining health. She had been a resident there for the past three years and was very fond of the sisters and staff that took wonderful care of her. She enjoyed her time there immensely.

She was born on Feb. 12, 1934, in South Bend, to Robert R. Grubbs and Bertha Anne (Malone) Grubbs. She had lived in Argos since 1967, coming from South Bend. On June 22, 1952, in South Bend, she married Charles Ernest Welborn; together, they shared 62 years of marriage. Charles preceded her in death on Nov. 22, 2014. She was a housewife and homemaker.

Marilyn was a graduate of South Bend Riley High School with the Class of 1952. She was the organist at church and played for many weddings and funerals. Marilyn loved to sew, was a seamstress for many people and taught several how to sew. She was a volunteer for the neonatal intensive care unit as a baby rocker at Memorial Hospital in South Bend. Marilyn and Charlie opened their home through the years for young adults in the Argos community.

Marilyn is survived by her daughters, Anne Welborn, Mishawaka, Mindy Bailey and husband Lyndon, Argos, and Susan Lyons and husband Howard, Tucson, Ariz.; her sons, Thomas Welborn, Plymouth, and Jon Welborn and wife Raquel, Dallas, Ga.; 15 grandchildren, Mandy Nifong and husband Andy, Scott Bailey and wife Mandy, Chad Bailey and wife Kylie, Alyssa Hoffman and

husband Mark, Allyson Green and husband Denver, Emmalee Lyons, Kaylyn Jayroe and husband Cody, Erin Hymans, Laura Milliser, Lisa Bringham and husband Jake, Nick Welborn, Brandon Welborn, Enrico Welborn, Jose Welborn, and Selena Welborn; 15 great-grandchildren; her sister, Linda Wallace, Fort Wayne; and her brother, Steve Grubbs and wife Pat, South Bend. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; brother Mike Grubbs; and sister Margaret Grubbs.

Friends may visit with the family on Wednesday, Sept. 13, 2017, from 4-8 p.m. at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos, and an hour prior to the funeral service Thursday at Crossroads Church, 1650 N. Oak Drive, Plymouth. Her funeral service is at 11 a.m. Sept. 14, 2017, at the church with the Rev. Robert E. Rice and Rev. Rob Mace officiating. Burial will follow at the Union Cemetery, Plymouth. Memorial contributions may be made to the Walnut Church of the Brethren, 5975 19th Road, Argos, IN 46501.

### **D. Jeanne ‘J.J.’ Jones**

March 30, 1929 – Sept. 1, 2017

D. Jeanne “J.J.” Jones, 88, died Sept. 1, 2017, at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne. She was born March 30, 1929, in Akron.

Survivors include her daughter, Cindy and husband Robert Sampson; her son, Mike and wife Brenda DuBois; 13 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

She was a member in good standing of the SMBC. J.J. worked last at VFW for many years. She will be missed by her family and friends.

### **Helen Swanson**

Helen Swanson, 98, Rochester, died Sunday at Hickory Creek at Rochester. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

### **Joseph E. Wolf II**

Joseph E. Wolf II, 65, Rochester, died Sunday at home.

Survivors include his wife, Dawn; four sons, Kevin Swafford, Kewanna, Joseph E. Wolf III, Grovertown, Jessie A. Wolf, Rochester, and Raymond J. Wolf; and a sister, Judy Goodwin, Waterloo, Iowa.

His funeral service is 6 p.m. Thursday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 4-6 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.



Wednesday September 13, 2017

**Betty L. Rouch**

Betty L. Rouch, 92, died Tuesday at The Hearth at Sycamore Village, Fort Wayne.

Survivors include her daughters, Carol A. Rouch, Fort Wayne, and Patricia E. Rahrig, Fort Wayne; and her brother, Arthur L. Shafer, Elkhart.

Her funeral service is 1:15 p.m. Saturday at the Walnut Church of the Brethren, 19056 Gumwood Road, Argos. Visitation is 10 a.m.-noon Saturday at the church. Arrangements are handled by Good Family Funeral Home.

**Helen I. Swanson**

Helen I. Swanson, 98, Rochester, died Sunday at Hickory Creek at Rochester.

Survivors include a daughter, Patricia Blackburn, Rochester; a sister, Alma Watkins, Lafayette; and a brother, Donald Woolley, Phoenix, Ariz.

Her funeral service is 11 a.m. Tuesday at Grace United Methodist Church, Rochester. Visitation is 4-7 p.m. Monday at Good Family Funeral Home and one hour prior to the service Tuesday at the church.

**Harold D. Reed**

Nov. 22, 1939 – Sept. 9, 2017

Harold D. Reed, 77, Noblesville, passed away peacefully after an 11-month battle with ALS on Saturday, Sept. 9, 2017, at his home in Noblesville.

He was born on Nov. 22, 1939, to Clarence and Mabel (Easterday) Reed in Fulton County.

Harold attended Faith Community Church in Noblesville and was a member of REACT CB organization and the Old Codgers Group from RCA. He was also a member of various square and round dance clubs for 52 years, and he attended Purdue University and the Space Academy in Alabama.

Harold was in U.S. Army intelligence and served in Korea for 13 months. He also taught English and conversation at a Korean orphanage. Some of his favorite pastimes included traveling abroad, zip lining, and fishing, and he bowled on three leagues throughout the years.

Harold was also an avid woodcraftsman, and he volunteered with the Special Olympics. He was known for his service to the homeless through his street ministry as well as his leadership with “Harold’s Helping Hands” ALS team.

Harold was an avid bird-watcher and loved all animals, especially his cats, Smokey and Goldie.

He is survived by his wife, Roberta Reed; daughters Teresa Lynch (husband J.R.) and Tamara Kirby (husband Jack); stepsons Derek Huff (wife Dana) and Randy Wiseman (wife Molina); stepdaughters Kendra Leny and Tanya Wiseman-Mendez (husband Roque); his sister-in-law, Ruth Reed; several other brothers- and sisters- in law; and several grandchildren, great-grandchildren and nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, Harold was preceded in death by his son, Terry Reed; brothers Dwight Reed and Wilbur Dean Reed; and former wives, Annette Reed, in 1993, and Susan Huff-Reed, in 2010.

Visitation will be from 4-8 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 13, 2017, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan St., Noblesville. His funeral service will be at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 14, 2017, at the funeral home, with one hour of calling immediately prior to the service. Pastor Patrick Propst will officiate. Burial will be at Washington Park East Cemetery in Indianapolis. Memorial contributions may be made to the ALS Association of Indiana, 6525 E. 82nd St., Suite 115, Indianapolis, IN 46250; the American Cancer Society, 5635 W. 96th St., Suite 100, Indianapolis, IN 46278; or the charity or missionary of the donor's choice.

### **Gary D. Cook**

Gary D. Cook, 66, Rochester, died Tuesday at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

### **Roger Dennis Grigsby**

April 14, 1948 – Sept. 11, 2017

Roger Dennis Grigsby, 69, Cross Lanes, W. Va., passed away Sept. 11, 2017, at home, surrounded by his family.

Roger was a retired operator with South Charleston Waste Treatment. Roger was an Army Vietnam veteran and a member of the Faith Freewill Baptist Church. Roger enjoyed spending time at home with his granddaughter, Eden. Roger collected model cars (miniatures), built garages and sheds, loved a good bonfire, and was dedicated to his family.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Ofra Willard and Gladys Grey Grigsby; son William Kent Wilson Jr.; brother-in-law Tommy Dingess Sr.; brother Kenneth Grigsby; and a sister, Eleanor Jean "Sissy" Lilly. Left to cherish the memory of Roger are loving wife, Karen Ann Mick Grigsby; daughters Jacki Lynn

Johnson (Jeff), Traci Lea Gullett, and Jeanne Annette Tucker, (Danny); sister Lois Dingess; special brother-in-law, Kenny Mick (Jan); lifelong friend, David Green; daughter-in-law Sirena Wilson; 17 grandchildren, plus one on the way; and several great-grandchildren.

Service will be 1 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 14, 2017, at Tyler Mountain Funeral Home, 5233 Rocky Fork Road, Cross Lanes, W. Va., with Pastor Tom Rowland officiating. Burial will follow with military honors in Tyler Mountain Memory Gardens. A gathering of family and friends will be two hours before the service Thursday at the funeral home. Condolences may be sent via [www.tylermountainfuneralhome.com](http://www.tylermountainfuneralhome.com).

Thursday September 14, 2017

### **Betty Louise Shafer Rouch**

Oct. 18, 1924 – Sept. 12, 2017

Betty Louise Shafer Rouch, 92, died Tuesday, Sept. 12, 2017, at The Hearth at Sycamore Village, Fort Wayne.

She was born in Argos on Oct. 18, 1924, and was married on March 2, 1946, to Marvin J. Rouch. He preceded her in death. They celebrated 65 years of marriage together before he passed in 2011.

She was also preceded in death by her parents, Ida and Verl Shafer, Rochester; a sister who died as an infant; and a sister-in-law, Marilyn Shafer. Betty is survived by her two daughters, Carol Ann Rouch, Fort Wayne, and Patricia Elaine Rahrig (Anthony) Fort Wayne; and two grandchildren, Allison Spagnolo (Steven), Union, N.J., and Ryan Rahrig, St. Petersburg, Fla. Also surviving are her brother, Arthur L. Shafer, Elkhart, and a sister-in-law, Arvella Sutton (Jim), Fulton. Other survivors include two nieces, Karen Beck, Bradenton, Fla., and Sandra Wallin, Dowagiac, Mich.; and two nephews, David Shafer and Gary Shafer, both of Elkhart; and great-nieces and great-nephews.

Betty retired from the Veterans Administration in 1986 where she worked as the secretary to the hospital director. She and Marvin's marriage was the first one held in the current Walnut church building in 1946, and she wished to return there for her funeral service 71 years later.

The funeral service will be at 1:15 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 16, 2017, at the Walnut Church of the Brethren, 19056 Gumwood Road, Argos. Pastor Robert Rice will officiate. Calling will be from 10 a.m.-noon Saturday at the church, and interment will be at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the

Walnut Church of the Brethren, Walnut Church Ladies Aid or Smile Train. Services are provided by the Good Family Funeral Home. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to Betty's family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Jerry J. Arnold**

June 3, 1944 – Sept. 12, 2017

Jerry J. Arnold, 73, Logansport, passed away Tuesday, Sept. 12, 2017, at his residence.

Born on June 3, 1944, in Logansport, he was the son of the late Joseph G. and Janet E. (Snyder) Arnold. On Dec. 4, 1977, in Rochester, Jerry married Janet Smith. She survives.

Jerry worked for the Cass County Sheriff's Department from 1968 to 1971. He then was hired on to the Logansport Police department in 1972 and served as chief of police in Logansport from 1992-1999 before retiring in 2000. After retiring from the police department, Jerry worked for INDOT until 2009.

Jerry was a 1963 graduate of Logansport High School. He was a member of the FOP Lodge No. 71 and the Wise Guys. Jerry enjoyed mushroom hunting and spending time with his family, especially his granddaughters.

Surviving along with his wife, Janet, are a son, Jason (Holly) Arnold, Mentone; sister Susan (Jack) Mayfield, Carmel; brother David S. Arnold, Logansport; granddaughters Alexis Burge and Bella Arnold; nieces Kris Mayfield, Indianapolis, and Julie Middleton, Silver Lake; and nephew Jeff Hoffman, Rochester.

A celebration of life will be at 7 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 15, 2017, at the Gundrum Funeral Home with Pastor Ken Smith officiating. Visitation will be from 4 p.m. until the time of the service on Friday. Memorials may be made to the local FOP Lodge No. 71. Family and friends may sign Jerry's guest book online at [www.gundrumcares.com](http://www.gundrumcares.com).

### **Gary D. Cook**

May 7, 1951 – Sept. 12, 2017

Gary D. Cook, 66, Rochester, passed away at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 12, 2017, at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

He was born on May 7, 1951, in Monticello, the son of Don and Wanda (Criswell) Cook. On Sept. 7, 2006, in Las Vegas, Nev., he married Karen E. Morrow. She survives.

Mr. Cook had worked at Moore Business Forms, Rochester Homes and at the Braun Corp. in Winamac. He was an avid Hot Wheels collector and customizer and enjoyed collecting guns and riding his Harley-Davidson motorcycle.

Survivors include his wife, Karen Cook, Rochester; children Andi and husband Jason Kiser, Rochester, and Kyle Cook, Wakefield, Kan.; stepchildren Jessica and husband Joshua Fox, Winamac, and Dan and wife Kayla Cook, Twelve Mile; nine grandchildren; sister Cindy and husband Lonnie Bussinger, Monticello; his canine companion, Diesel; and his feline companion, Mingo. He was preceded in death by his father, Don Cook; mother Wanda Mansfield; and brother Wayne Cook.

No service is scheduled. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Ardis Saralei Perkins Burns**

Sept. 14, 1933 – Sept. 11, 2017

Ardis Saralei Perkins Burns, 83, Logansport, and formerly of Fulton, passed away Monday, Sept. 11, 2017, at Chase Center in Logansport.

Saralei was born Sept. 14, 1933, to Clarence and Alma Perkins in Kokomo. Saralei graduated from Logansport High School. On April 5, 1953, she married Robert R. "Dick" Burns.

She is survived by her husband, Dick; five children, Marty, Tracy, Gary, Jon, and Dan; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents and three brothers.

There will be no service or viewing. Gundrum Funeral Home in Logansport is in charge of cremation.

### **Lillian L. Hager**

Lillian L. Hager, 95, Rochester, died Wednesday. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

Friday September 15, 2017

### **Lillian L. Hager**

Lillian L. Hager, 95, Rochester, died Wednesday at home. Survivors include two sons, Robert C. Hager, Carol Stream, Ill., and Roger R. Hager, Waconia, Minn.; and her sister, Elaine E. Zboncak, Rochester.

Her funeral service is 1 p.m. Sunday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 11 a.m. to the time of the service Sunday at the funeral home.

### **Mary Priscilla Powell Burkett**

Nov. 9, 1921 – Sept. 12, 2017

Mary Priscilla Powell Burkett, 95, Rushville, and formerly of Argos, entered her heavenly home Sept. 12, 2017, at Our Hospice in Columbus, due to failing health. She was born Nov. 9, 1921, to Loda (Dowds) and Glen Powell in Macy.

Priscilla graduated from Macy High School with the Class of 1939 and Indianapolis City Hospital School of Nursing in 1943. She then volunteered for the U.S. Army Nurse Corps where she served for 2 1/2 years at Ashford General Hospital, White Sulphur Springs, W. VA; and Fort Knox, KY; and on the islands of Tinian and Saipan before returning home on Christmas Eve 1945. She was honorably discharged as a first lieutenant in 1946.

On June 24, 1950, she married Devon Burkett. He preceded her in death in 1986.

She loved nursing. She was the school nurse for Argos Community Schools for 21 years before retiring in 1986. She had also worked for Dr. James Hampton and Dr. Ralph Rea.

Priscilla is survived by her children, Cathy Burkett, Rushville, and Jim (Debbie) Burkett, Argos; three granddaughters, Jennifer (Aaron) Hutchison, Katie Burkett and Megan Burkett; and three great-granddaughters and two great-grandsons. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; brothers Cecil Powell and Kenneth Powell; and a niece, Laura Powell Denecke.

She was a member of ParkSide Community Church in Argos, where she served as financial secretary for more than 20 years; the Missionary Review Society; and the Walnut Ruralettes Extension Homemaker Club.

Friends may visit with the family on Sunday, Sept. 17, 2017, from 4-8 p.m. at the ParkSide Community Church, 225 S. Michigan St., Argos. Her funeral service will be on Monday, Sept. 18, 2017, at 11 a.m. at the ParkSide Community Church. Burial will follow at the Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos, with the United States Army Honor Guard and James Lowell Corey American Legion Post No. 68, Argos, conducting military honors.

Priscilla's family would like to say thank you to Our Hospice of South Central Indiana for the wonderful care she received and to the Rush County Health Department for their care given to her.

Memorials may be given to ParkSide Church, 225 S. Michigan St., Argos, IN 46501; Our Hospice, 2626 E. 17th St., Columbus, IN 47201; Indy Honor Flight.org; or The Salvation Army, Attn: Service Units, P.O. Box 308, Indianapolis, IN 46206. Arrangements are handled by Earl-Grossman Funeral Home in Argos.

Saturday September 16, 2017

### **Helen Irene Swanson**

March 31, 1919 – Sept. 10, 2017

Mrs. Helen Irene Swanson, 98, Rochester, was surrounded by her loving family when she passed to her eternal Heavenly home at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 10, 2017, at Hickory Creek at Rochester.

On March 31, 1919, in Logansport, Helen Irene Woolley was born. She was a treasured daughter of Arthur and Lillie Truax Woolley. Growing up as the fourth oldest, she shared her childhood with five sisters and six brothers.

In Rochester, on Aug. 1, 1936, Helen and Carl E. Swanson were married. They shared 67 years together. From their union came two beautiful daughters, Tish and Phyllis. The family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of three more generations, including seven grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren and 26 great-great-grandchildren.

Growing up as a preteen during the Great Depression, Helen learned life lessons firsthand and understood economics, conservation of resources and developing a solid work ethic. This influence led the Swanson family to be more than 90 percent self-sustaining, a hallmark she was very proud of during her lifetime. This was accomplished by the family's truck patch garden and the beautiful and well-maintained orchard in their backyard. Their orchard consisted of peaches, pears, apples and cherries. Helen annually froze and canned these delicious fruits. Their garden supplied the bountiful harvest, which was put away for winter use and shared with her family.

As adventurers, Carl and Helen enjoyed traveling to every state except Hawaii. This accomplishment was garnered by traveling in their coveted camper. On two occasions, they struck out on a multiple-month summer excursion to scenic Alaska. During one of their trips to the Land of the Midnight Sun, they caught the third largest fish in the Bay of Alaska that particular summer. Their

favorite destination was Naples, Fla., where they spent 35 winters in the paradise of the tropical KOA campground. Regulars, Helen and Carl served in a leadership role as ambassadors, assisting new campers at the grounds.

Helen attended Grace United Methodist Church. She was a member of the Naples Red Hat Society of KOA. As a talented crafter, Helen enjoyed working with her hands. She expressed herself by painting with oils on canvas. Helen was an accomplished seamstress. Prior to her retirement, she served as a clerk at TOPP Industries and at the Rochester Water Department and a gardening assistant at the Bloomin' Corner and was employed at the Naples KOA.

An avid card player, Helen enjoyed spirited games of crazy 8's, euchre, Uno and bingo. She truly possessed a soft spot in her heart for all animals, providing homes over the years for many kittens and puppies. She occasionally tamed and cared for some common backyard friends, nursing them back to health or raising them from infancy.

Left to cherish the memory of Helen are a daughter, Patricia "Tish" Blackburn, Rochester; son-in-law Paul Howard, Rochester; seven grandchildren, Brad Howard and wife Laura, Jeff Howard and wife Kelly, Paula Scholl and husband Butch, Andy Howard and companion Susan Mahedy, Julie Calvert and husband Marc, Doug Blackburn and Kenneth "KJ" Blackburn and wife Amy; 16 great-grandchildren; 26 great-great-grandchildren; a sister, Alma Watkins, Lafayette; a brother, Donald Woolley, Phoenix, Ariz.; a sister-in-law, Mary Woolley, Naples, Fla.; and numerous nieces and nephews. Helen was preceded in death by her parents; beloved husband, Carl, on April 4, 2003; a daughter, Phyllis Howard, on Oct. 4, 2016; a granddaughter, Selena Jo Howard; a son-in-law, Kenneth Blackburn, in 1992; four sisters, Thelma Thomas, Irma Weiger, Deloris Rollins, and Hazel Woolley; and five Woolley brothers, Walter, Willard, Kenneth, Robert and Delbert.

A celebration of the life of Mrs. Helen Irene Swanson will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 19, 2017, at Grace United Methodist Church. Pastor Kerry O'Brien will officiate. Friends may visit with the family from 4-7 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 18, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, and one hour prior to the service Tuesday at the church. Interment will be in the Athens Hoover Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Grace United Methodist Church, 201 W. Seventh St., Rochester, IN 46975; or to the Fulton County Cancer Fund through the Northern Indiana Community Foundation, 715 Main St., Rochester, IN 46975. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to Helen's family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).



## **Lillian L. Hager**

April 7, 1922 – Sept. 13, 2017

Mrs. Lillian L. Hager, 95, Rochester, passed away at 1:45 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 13, 2017, at her residence.

On April 7, 1922, in Chicago, Ill., Lillian L. Mantey was born. She was a treasured daughter of Adolph and Bertha Krueger Mantey. Growing up, she shared her childhood with a brother, Ronald, and a little sister, Elaine. In 1940, Lillian graduated from Chicago's Kelly High School.

The following year in Chicago on Nov. 29, Lillian and Robert Charles Hager were married. They shared 56 years of life's adventures. From their union came two handsome sons. The family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of two more generations: five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Talented in the use of her hands, Lillian crocheted gifts of warmth for her family. She was remembered for her cooking and baking, especially her hot apple slices. A woman of great humility, she loved people and made many friends along the journey of her life. Lillian was gifted in her ability to dance. She taught many how to dance. Her favorite and best style was the polka.

Left to cherish the memory of Lillian are two sons, Robert C. Hager and wife Carole, Carol Stream, Ill., and Roger R. Hager and wife Beth, Waconia, Minn.; five grandchildren, Jamie, Brett, Glenn, Samantha, and Mary; five great-grandchildren, Lucas, Mason, Logan, Noah, and Vivian; a sister, Elaine E. Zboncak, Rochester; and several nieces and nephews. Lillian was preceded in death by her parents; beloved husband, Robert, on May 10, 1997; and her brother, Ronald Mantey.

A celebration of the life of Lillian L. Hager will be at 1 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 17, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Chaplain John Morgan will officiate. Friends may visit with the family two hours prior to the service Sunday at the funeral home. Burial will follow in the Reichter Cemetery. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to Lillian's family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Monday September 18, 2017

No Obituaries

Tuesday September 19, 2017

## **The Rev. James Frank Bretzinger**

May 16, 1957 – Sept. 9, 2017

The Rev. James Frank Bretzinger, 60, went home to be with the Lord on Saturday, Sept. 9, 2017.

Jim was born on May 16, 1957, to Clarence “Pete” and Annabelle (Downs) Bretzinger. He grew up in rural Rensselaer and graduated from Rensselaer Central High School. On March 12, 1977, he married Debra Jean Overton in the Monon Wesleyan Church. He worked as a forklift driver for the General Transfer Corp. in Rochester, retiring from there in 1997.

Jim then answered the call of God for his life and began studying for the ministry through Indiana Wesleyan University. After being ordained as an elder in the Wesleyan Church, he served churches in Pennsylvania, New York and Indiana. He retired from Hope Wesleyan Church in Fowler in 2016.

He leaves behind his wife, Debbie; children Jamie Lynn Chapman, Lafayette, and Stephen James (Lindsay) Bretzinger, North Carolina; and his stepmother, Beulah Bretzinger. He is also survived by his granddaughter, Emma Jean Marie Chapman, and a granddaughter in North Carolina; sisters-in-law Sue Bretzinger, Lori Perrin, Sue Kochert, and Glenda Simmons; and brother-in-law Donald Simmons. He will also be sorely missed by several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in Heaven by his parents; his brothers, Richard, Jerry and Clarence Jr.; and a granddaughter.

Friends may visit with the family on Friday, Sept. 22, 2017, from 10-11 a.m. CDT at the Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer. A celebration of life will follow at 11 a.m. CDT Friday at the Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer with the Rev. Dr. James Carder and the Rev. Steven Cunningham officiating. Burial will be at a later date at Memory Gardens Cemetery in Rensselaer. Suggested memorials are to the family, the Evergreen Wesleyan Church, or St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital. Friends and family may share memories and condolences at [www.jacksonfuneral.com](http://www.jacksonfuneral.com).

## **Merle E. Hostetler**

Merle E. Hostetler, 77, Denver, died Monday at home. Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home.

## **Irene C. Mahoney**

A memorial service for Irene C. Mahoney, 86, formerly of Rochester, who died July 4, 2017, is 11 a.m. Saturday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

Wednesday September 20, 2017

**Merle E. Hostetler**

Jan. 31, 1940 – Sept. 18, 2017

Merle E. Hostetler, 77, Denver, and formerly of Gilead, went home to be with the Lord, surrounded by loving family, at 2:45 p.m. Monday, Sept. 18, 2017, at his residence.

Merle was born Jan. 31, 1940, in Miami County, to Robert and Esther Hostetler. On July 30, 1966, in Peru at the First Baptist Church, he married Patty Janeway. She preceded him in death on Dec. 23, 2012.

He was a factory worker and a foreman at Bryan Steam Corporation for 42 years, retiring in 2001.

Merle went to Peru High School. He was a member of the Moose Lodge of Peru. He attended the Walk by Faith Community Church of Roann. He enjoyed the time he shared with his friend Elaine See. He also was a NASCAR fan and enjoyed watching many drivers. He mowed and farmed his property with John Deere tractors and maintained a beautiful home.

Survivors include his daughters, Rhonda and husband Nyle Miller, Akron, and Crissy and husband Rodney Crist, Wabash; his son, Kevin and wife Hayley Hostetler, Denver; five grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents; wife Patty Hostetler; and brothers Lester, Robert, and Dave.

His funeral service is 10 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 21, 2017, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Pastor Brad Eckerley officiating. Burial will be in Parklawn Cemetery, Amboy. Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 20, 2017, at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron. Memorial contributions may be made to Walk by Faith Community Church, P.O. Box 11, Roann, IN 46974. Family and friends may share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

**Carol S. Sheetz**

Aug. 27, 1941 – Sept. 18, 2017

Carol S. Sheetz, 76, Rochester, passed away at 6:18 p.m. Monday, Sept. 18, 2017, at Hickory Creek at Rochester.

She was born on Aug. 27, 1941, in Fulton County, the daughter of C. Frank and Delia (Lambert) Greer Sr.

Carol had been a school bus driver for many years for the Tippecanoe Valley School Corp. She had been a dedicated mother and housewife, working on the family farm for years. She especially enjoyed preparing the family meals for all those who worked on the family farm. In her spare time, she enjoyed watching old movies and television shows, cooking and baking.

Survivors include her children, Charles L. and wife Mindy Sheetz, Claypool, Jeffery A. and wife Dee Sheetz, Warsaw, Ronald Sheetz and companion Tina Paolo Hudson, Cincinnati, Ohio, and James W. and wife Tammy Sheetz, Rochester; 11 grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and sister Connie and husband Bruce Killingbeck, Remus, Mich. She was preceded in death by her parents; brothers F. Charles Greer Jr. and Robert Greer; and sister-in-law Pat Greer.

Her memorial service will be at 6 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 21, 2017, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Friends may visit from 4-6 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home. Burial will be at a later date at Kewanna Citizens Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Marvin Lee Snyder**

March 5, 1936 – Sept. 18, 2017

Marvin Lee Snyder, 81, Argos, died on Sept. 18, 2017, at 1:07 p.m. at the South Bend Hospice House. Marvin had been in declining health for the past couple of years.

On March 5, 1936, in Kewanna, he was born to Alpheus “Al” Snyder and Mary Fern (Pasco) Snyder. Marvin lived most of his life in the Argos community. On June 3, 1956, at the Santa Anna United Methodist Church, Argos, he married Nyla Jane Irwin. She preceded him in death on Nov. 21, 2016.

Marvin worked for Coca-Cola in Plymouth for 58 years. Having been a route driver, he got the nickname “Bottles.” He finished his time with Coca-Cola in maintenance.

Nyla and Marvin owned the Dragon Den – Pizza Parlor from 1976-1979.

He attended Green Township and Argos High School. Marvin was a member of the Argos Lions Club and had received a 50-year award and was a member of the Plymouth Moose Lodge.

In 1966, he became a member of the Marshall County Sheriff Posse. Each member was a commissioned deputy sheriff and was on call day and night. Marvin enjoyed collecting Coca-Cola, Roy Rogers, and John Deere memorabilia.

Marvin is survived by his daughter, Laurinda Taylor and husband Charles, Plymouth; his son-in-law, LeeRoy Bennett, Argos; his grandchildren, MarLanna Howell, Argos, Travis Howell, Argos, Joshua VanVactor, Plymouth, LeeAnna Dowd, Plymouth, and Christine Bennett, Bourbon; 11 great-grandchildren; his sisters, Jo Allyson Schaden and husband Dick, California, and Mae Swigart, Clearwater, Fla.; and his brother, Paul Eugene Prilaman and wife Chris, Logansport. He was preceded in death by his parents; wife; daughter Lynda Bennett; three grandchildren, Dustin Howell, Jonathan VanVactor, and Patricia Bennett; four sisters; and eight brothers.

Friends may visit with the family on Thursday, Sept. 21, 2017, from 4-8 p.m. at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos. His funeral service will be on Friday, Sept. 22, 2017, at 10 a.m. at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home with the Rev. Sue Irwin officiating. Burial will follow at the Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos. Memorial contributions may be made to the Marshall County Humane Society, 11165 13th Road, Plymouth, IN 46563.

### **Ward A. McCarty**

June 17, 1924 – Sept. 17, 2017

Ward A. McCarty, 93, Columbus, died 10:15 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 17, 2017, at Our Hospice of South Central Indiana Inpatient Facility.

Ward was born in Rochester June 17, 1924, the son of J. Murray and Henriyetta Ward McCarty. He married Norma Ogilvie. She survives.

He graduated from IU and taught school for 22 years, retiring in 1985 from Southport Elementary School where he taught fifth grade. He was a member of the Bible Church of Columbus, IU Varsity Club and Rochester Masonic Lodge. He served in the U.S. Navy during WWII and in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. His great loves, besides his family, were IU football and basketball, golfing, the Cincinnati Reds and wintering in Florida.

He is survived by his wife, Norma McCarty, Columbus; daughters Mary Ann McCarty and husband Tyrone Tuttle, Columbus, and Tammy McCarty-

Seymour and husband Gary Seymour, Seymour; grandsons Craig and Scott McCarty and Matt and Brett Boilanger; and great-grandchild Camrin McCarty. He was preceded in death by his parents; son Michael A. McCarty; and brother John McCarty.

His funeral service will be 10 a.m. Friday at Hathaway-Myers Chapel on Pearl Street, Columbus, with the Rev. Jerry K. Day Sr. officiating. Visitation is 5-7 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home. Burial with military rites by the Bartholomew County Veterans Honor Guard is in Garland Brook Cemetery. Online condolences may be sent at [www.hathaway-myers.com](http://www.hathaway-myers.com). Memorials may be made to the Bible Church of Columbus.

### **Nola J. Boston**

Nola J. Boston, 90, formerly of rural Twelve Mile, died Monday at North Woods Village, Kokomo.

Survivors include her daughter, Lori Jo Wright, Kokomo.

Her funeral service is 2 p.m. Friday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver. Visitation is 1 p.m. to the time of the service Friday at the funeral home.

### **Robert D. Benedict**

Retired U.S. Air Force Maj. Robert D. Benedict, 97, Indianapolis, died Aug. 23, 2017, at University Heights Health & Living Community, Indianapolis.

Survivors include one son, Dr. Bryan R. Benedict, Indianapolis; and one sister, Rachel McGuire, Denver.

His memorial service is 1:30 p.m. Saturday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver.

Thursday September 21, 2017

### **Edgar R. Schalliol**

Edgar R. Schalliol, 93, passed away peacefully on Aug. 20, 2017, in Scottsdale, Ariz.

He served honorably in the U.S. Army Air Force from 1943 to 1946. He resided with his first wife, Patricia, in Mishawaka and South Bend. He later remarried, and he and his second wife, Susan, resided in Rochester. Later he and Susan moved to Casa Grande, Ariz.

He is survived by his three sons, Scott, Tom and Mark; their wives; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

His service will be at the First Presbyterian Church of Casa Grande, Ariz., on Nov. 10, 2017. Arrangements are entrusted to Messinger Indian School Mortuary.

**Darwin G. Hartman**

Darwin G. Hartman, 85, Plymouth, died Tuesday at Miller's Merry Manor, Culver.

Survivors include his children, Kathryn Middaugh, Plymouth, David Hartman, Plymouth, Nancy Suseland, Plymouth, and Jim Hartman, Culver; and his brother, Leo Hartman, Plymouth.

His funeral is 11 a.m. Saturday at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos. Visitation is 9 a.m. to the time of the service Saturday at the funeral home.

Friday September 22, 2017

**Tiffany Simonin**

Tiffany Simonin, 48, Rochester, died Thursday at Community Hospital North, Indianapolis. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

**Carol A. Vandermark**

Carol A. Vandermark, 81, Rochester, died Thursday at Life Care Center of Rochester. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

**James W. Denny**

James W. Denny, 82, Culver, died Wednesday at home.

Survivors include two brothers, Carl Denny, La Porte, and Gerald Denny, Seattle, Wash.

His funeral service is noon Saturday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 9:30 a.m. to the time of the service Saturday at the funeral home.

**Jesse L. Bowers**

Jesse L. Bowers, 23, Rochester, died Wednesday at home. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

Saturday September 23, 2017

## **James William Denny**

Feb. 21, 1935 – Sept. 20, 2017

Mr. James William Denny, 82, Culver, passed away at 2:10 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 20, 2017, at his residence. On Feb. 21, 1935, James William Denny was born in DeLong. He was a treasured son of Joseph Walter and Daisy Mae Miller Denny.

Following high school, patriotism beckoned. Jim answered the call by enlisting with the United States Air Force. During his 20 years of service to his country, he initially served as a medic during the Korean War. He later moved into a variety of administrative roles.

In Leiters Ford on Valentine's Day in 1955, Jim married the love of his life, Grace Ann Hettinger. They enjoyed nearly 55 years of life's adventures.

Jim will be lovingly remembered by his grandson, Kevin Michael Denny, Arkansas; nieces and nephews Michelle and Bill Clingler, Tom and Peggy Clingler and their children Sydney, Jordan, Carter and Kameron, Eric and Jenny Clingler and their children Kailey and Owen, Ryan and Amber Onax and their children Hunter and Hadleigh, and Larry and C.J. Clingler; and two brothers, Carl Denny and wife Leila, La Porte, and Gerald Denny, Seattle. Jim was preceded in death by his parents; beloved wife Grace on Jan. 5, 2010; a daughter, Cindy Lou Denny Malott; a son, Steven Michael Denny; two sisters, Carol Morningstar and Joann Clingler; and a brother, Norman Denny.

A celebration of the life of James W. Denny will be at noon on Saturday, Sept. 23, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St. Rochester. Chaplain Dan DeCrow will officiate. Friends may visit with the family from 9:30 a.m. to the time of the service on Saturday at the funeral home. Military honors will be conducted by the Fulton County Veterans Honor Guard and the U.S. Air Force Honors Team. Interment will be in the Lee's Chapel Cemetery, Batesville, Ark. More of Jim's life's experiences may be viewed and friends may also leave online expressions of sympathy for his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

## **Tiffany S. Simonin**

Tiffany S. Simonin, 48, Kewanna, died Thursday at Community Hospital North, Indianapolis.

Survivors include her son, Kendrick S. Kesler, Rochester; and her brother, Donald Burton, Rochester.

Her funeral service is 2 p.m. Wednesday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 11:30 p.m. to the time of the service Wednesday at the funeral home.



### **Jesse Lee Bowers**

June 7, 1994 – Sept. 20, 2017

Jesse Lee Bowers, 23, Rochester, passed away at 11:54 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 20, 2017, at his residence. He was born on June 7, 1994, in Rochester, the son of Gary Bowers and Jennifer Bailey.

He graduated from Caston High School and had been a tool and die maker working for Acument Global Technologies, Rochester, and was currently working at Prime Time Manufacturing, Wakarusa. Jesse enjoyed skateboarding, playing the guitar, music, playing video games, movies and his cats.

Survivors include his mother, Jennifer Bailey, Rochester; father Gary Bowers, Rochester; siblings Parker Thompson, Rochester, and Ripley White, Rochester; grandparents Joe Bailey, Rochester, Angie Seaberg, Palestine, and Sherian Pearson, Rochester; and several aunts, uncles and cousins. He was preceded in death by his grandfather, Warren Pearson; and great-grandparents Audrey Bailey, Curt Bailey, Sharon Schwartz, Toby Warner, Elvin Bingman and Grace Bingman.

A time to celebrate Jesse's life will be announced at a later date. Memorial contributions may be made to the Fulton County Animal Adoption and Education Center. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Rowena G. Bryant**

Rowena G. Bryant, 93, Rochester, died Friday at Logansport Memorial Hospital.

Survivors include two daughters, Janice Koch, Rochester, and Mary Sundine, Rochester; a son, Ronald Bryant, Rochester; and a brother, Leonard McIntire, Crawfordville, Fla.

Her funeral service is 10 a.m. Tuesday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 4-7 p.m. Monday and one hour prior to the service Tuesday at the funeral home.

### **Carol Ann Vandermark**

July 6, 1936 – Sept. 21, 2017

Mrs. Carol Ann Vandermark, 81, Rochester, was surrounded by her loving family when she passed away at 10:45 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 21, 2017, at Life Care Center of Rochester.

In Fulton County, on July 6, 1936, Carol Ann Spurlock was born. She was a treasured daughter of Ira Morris and Nina L. Riley Spurlock.

On June 19, 1955, in Mentone, Carol married Lyle K. Vandermark. They enjoyed more than 56 years of life's adventures. From their union came three wonderful children: Randy, Roy and Michele. The family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

A vibrant woman with a strong work ethic, Carol, along with Lyle, assisted her parents, Ira and Nina with the poultry farm and dressing operations. The Vandermarks continued the operations for nearly four decades. The decade of the '70s allowed Lyle and Carol to provide Rochester's retail community with the Western Auto Store. From about 1981-1991, Carol enjoyed greeting customers at Enyart's True Value.

Carol was a lifelong member of Rochester's church of Christ. During her camping years, she held memberships with Hoosier Neighbors and Sycamore Sam's Chapter 13, and the Hoosier Campers, Escapees, Indiana Chapter 51.

Sharing a passion for the outdoors, Carol and Lyle enjoyed camping out under the starlit skies. In the early years, the expeditions included the kids, introducing them to the beauty of the United States. When the "grands" arrived, they too were included, making many memorable trips. In all, Lyle and Carol visited nearly 50 states and many parts of Canada and Mexico.

As a grandma, Carol had a huge soft spot for her grandchildren. She looked forward to their visits and enjoyed making memories. She was known to those closest to her as a "baby magnet." Carol thoroughly enjoyed the warmth of the summer sunshine. She was a lifetime avid walker. In 1996, she was given the Top Gardener Award by the master gardeners club. People have many memories of her great recipes and skills in cooking and baking, especially her red velvet cake.

Carol is lovingly remembered by a daughter, Michele Smith and husband Richard, Rochester; two sons, Randy Vandermark and wife Rosella, Milton, Pa., and Roy Vandermark and wife Lori, Rochester; six grandchildren, Carlin Smith, Shelby Frazier, Chrystal Vandermark, Nathan Vandermark, Inga Omondi and husband T.C., and Brent Vandermark; four great-grandchildren; two sisters, Regina Roberts, Nappanee, and Sue Kay Gross and husband LeVaughn, Peru; and several nieces and nephews. Carol was preceded in death by her parents; beloved husband Lyle on July 24, 2011; and a stepbrother, Sam Harmon.

A celebration of the life of Carol A. Vandermark will be at 11 a.m. Monday, Sept. 25, 2017, at the Rochester church of Christ, 120 E. Fifth St. Pastor Aaron Gross will officiate. Friends may visit with the family from 4-8 p.m. Sunday, Sept.

24, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1220 W. 18th Street, Rochester, and an hour prior to the service Monday at the church. Burial will be in the Athens Cemetery. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to Carol's family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Monday September 25, 2017

### **Rowena G. Bryant**

July 11, 1924 – Sept. 22, 2017

Mrs. Rowena G. Bryant, 93, of Rochester, was surrounded by her loving family when she passed away at 3:12 a.m. Friday, Sept. 22, 2017, at Logansport Memorial Hospital.

Near Athens, on July 11, 1924, Rowena Grace McIntire was born. She was a treasured daughter of Oval L. and Mary Mildred Craig McIntire. As one of six children, growing up she shared her childhood with four brothers and a sister.

On June 12, 1942, in Rochester, Rowena and Kenneth Dean Bryant were married. They enjoyed over 67 years of life's adventures. From their union came three wonderful children, Ron, Janice and Mary. Over the years, the family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of five grandchildren, thirteen great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

As a dedicated wife and loving mother, Rowena was proud and focused on keeping the home in order and embracing all the domestic responsibilities, keeping everything balanced. During her children's formative years, she oversaw many 4-H projects, especially those deriving from the kitchen. She was always there with and for her kids and then as they arrived, the new generations. She truly enjoyed her years at the A& W Root Beer drive-in, working with Judy and Bob Timbers.

Family fun was a priority for Rowena and Kenny. During the weekends and summer vacations, they took many camping trips introducing the kids to the adventures of nature in a variety of geographic locations. Packing, then heading out in their travel trailer to reach the campsite was a common weekend occurrence. A favorite destination was Broken Arrow Campground in Winamac.

Possessing a special gift with handiwork, Rowena was a talented crafter. She crocheted her family gifts of warmth, made doilies, needle point creations and plastic canvas. To relax, Rowena enjoyed reading craft and ladies magazines, keeping on the cutting edge and ready to try a new idea. This avid crafter enjoyed

taking her creations to festivals and craft shows, many times accompanied by her sister-in-law Mary Jane.

Rowena was an active member of the Fulton County Crafters for many years.

As the matriarch of the Bryant family, Grandma Rowena was proud to oversee five generations. She especially looked forward to spending Christmas with her family making memories. Whether it was during the holidays, special family celebrations or on the campgrounds, one thing could be counted on, spirited games of euchre or bingo, a tradition Grandma and Grandpa Bryant initiated years ago.

Left to cherish Rowena's memory are two daughters, Janice Koch, and Mary Sundine and husband Steven; a son, Ronald Bryant and wife Shawn, all of Rochester; five grandchildren, Janelle Shanes and husband Jim, David Koch and wife Kristy, Angie Merley and husband Eric, Jennifer Addison and husband Allen, Cherie Weir and husband Rick; 13 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; a sister, Doris Crabill and husband Delmar of Charleston, Ill.; a brother, Leonard McIntire and wife Jane of Crawfordville, Fla.; and several nieces and nephews. Preceding Rowena in death are her parents, beloved husband Kenny on Dec. 29, 2009, grandson Todd Bryant, son-in-law Gene Koch and three McIntire brothers, Alonzo, Herbert and Lawrence.

A celebration of the life of Rowena Grace Bryant is 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 26, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Pastors Phil Pratt and Junior Bose will officiate. Friends may visit with the family from 4-7 p.m. Monday, Sept. 25, 2017, and one hour prior to the service in the funeral home. Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Bethlehem Baptist Church, 3516 N. 650 East, Rochester, IN 46975 or to the donor's choice. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www. goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Tiffany Sue Burton Simonin**

Sept. 4, 1969 – Sept. 21, 2017

Tiffany Sue Burton Simonin, 48, of Kewanna, passed away at 12:25 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 21, 2017, at Community Hospital North, Indianapolis. This followed a valiant battle with diabetes.

On Sept. 4, 1969, Tiffany was born in Cook County, Ill. She was the cherished daughter of Harold and Elaine Morgan Burton. Growing up she shared her childhood with two brothers, Donald and Jerry.

She attended Delong Christian Academy, where she was a member of the women's volleyball team. Tiffany was a proud 10-year member of Fulton County 4-H. As a crafter, Tiffany was talented with plastic canvas. She enjoyed Facebook and computer games. Roscoe, her treasured canine companion and little buddy, was her shadow.

Left to cherish Tiffany's memory are a son, Kendrick S. Kesler, of Rochester; brother, Donald Burton and wife Melinda, of Rochester; a special lifelong friend, David Kimble, of Kewanna; sister-in-law, Kathy Burton, of Leiters Ford; two nieces, Melissa Burton and companion Nathan Minix, of Rochester, Christy Hornberger and husband Jimmy, of Leiters Ford; a great nephew, Caleb Minix; a great niece, Aliyah Hornberger; and Roscoe, the blue tea-cup Chihuahua. Preceding Tiffany in death are her parents, daughter Kylee Kesler and brother Jerry Burton on Jan. 29, 2016.

A celebration of the life of Tiffany Sue Burton Simonin is 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 27, 2017, in the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Chaplain Jason See officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Wednesday. Interment will be in the Fulton Cemetery. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Tuesday September 26, 2017

### **Marquitta M. McLochlin**

Marquitta M. McLochlin, 85, Rochester, died Monday at Life Care Center of Rochester. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

### **Henry O. Phillabaum**

Henry O. Phillabaum, 99, died Saturday in Kokomo. Survivors include his wife, Beverly Phillabaum.

His funeral service is 2 p.m. Wednesday at Sunset Memory Garden Funeral Home, Kokomo. Visitation is noon to the time of the funeral service Wednesday at the funeral home.

Wednesday September 27, 2017

### **James L. Sriver**

June 10, 1935 – Sept. 26, 2017

James L. Sriver, 82, Akron, passed away at his home on Tuesday, Sept. 26, 2017. Born on June 10, 1935, in Wabash County, he was the son of Estil and Anna Sriver.

Jim was a proud graduate of Akron High School. He was a U.S. Army veteran and worked for White Metal Rolling and Stamping of Warsaw for more than 25 years and Pike Lumber Co. for 17 years prior to retiring in 1997. He enjoyed the outdoors, especially taking care of his yard as well as others'.

He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Marga (Flucke) Sriver; son James Jr., Akron; daughter Michele (Fred) Bickel, Warsaw; sister Mary Grant, Denver; grandsons Nate Bickel, Louisville, Ky., and Dustin and Daniel Sriver, Robbinsville, N.C.; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his daughter, Jennifer Sriver; parents Estil and Anna Sriver; brother John Sriver; and sister Geneva Hamilton.

His funeral service is 1 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 28, 2017, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Pastor David Eaton officiating. Burial is at the Akron Cemetery, where a military funeral honors ceremony will be performed. Visitation is 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 28, 2017, at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron. In lieu of flowers, people may make donations to Kindred Hospice in memorial to James "Jim" Sriver. Family and friends may share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Marquitta M. McLochlin**

Oct. 13, 1931 – Sept. 25, 2017

Marquitta M. McLochlin, 85, Rochester, passed away at 7:40 a.m. Monday, Sept. 25, 2017, at Life Care Center of Rochester.

Marquitta was born on Oct. 13, 1931, and was the adopted daughter of Charles and Elizabeth Darr. She moved to Linton, when she married Roy Foster. He was killed in an auto accident, leaving her with her children, Tommy Joe, 3, and Connie Sue, 2. She later married Francis "Pat" McLochlin. Together they owned McLochlin Trucking Company. She had been a member of the Antioch Baptist Church and the Eagles Lodge.

She is survived by her sister, Marilyn Kiesling, Logansport; grandchildren Kyle and wife Megan McLochlin, Rochester, Jason Johnson, Michigan, Greg and wife Karie Gentry, Rochester, and Amy Foster, Rochester; great-grandchildren Logan Gaines, Mason McLochlin, Madox McLochlin, Jacob Gentry, Gracelyn Gentry, Hunter Gentry, and Deliah Johnson; niece Pam and husband Mike Dempsey; nephew Dennis and wife Becky Grogg; stepson Ronnie and wife Sheryl

McLochlin, Logansport; special great-nephew John Rose; and her special family and friends at Life Care Center. She was preceded in death by her husbands; parents Charles and Elizabeth Darr; mother and stepfather Pauline and Johnny Easter; daughter Connie Scharnhorst; sons Francis Patrick McLochlin and Tommy Foster; and stepson Donnie McLochlin.

A graveside service will be announced at a later date. Interment will take place at Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

Thursday September 28, 2017

No Obituaries

Friday September 29, 2017

**Douglas L. Capper**

Douglas L. Capper, 63, Rochester, died Wednesday in Winamac.

Survivors include his wife, Angie; his daughter, Karen Steuer, Indianapolis; his son, Christopher Capper, Indianapolis; his sister, Colleen Capper, Madison, Wis.; and two brothers, John Capper IV, Crawfordsville, and Barry Capper, Plymouth.

His funeral service is 1 p.m. Sunday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 2-8 p.m. Saturday and one hour prior to the service Sunday at the funeral home.

**Richard E. Lindgren**

Richard E. Lindgren, 64, Rochester, died Thursday at Life Care Center of Rochester. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

Saturday September 30, 2017

**Rev. Herbert R. Woolson**

The Rev. Herbert R. Woolson, 69, Winamac, died Friday at Memorial Hospital, South Bend. Arrangements are pending at Frain Mortuary.

**Minnie E. Campbell**

Oct. 10, 1922 – Sept. 28, 2017

Minnie E. Campbell, 94, Culver, passed away on Sept. 28, 2017, at Signature Healthcare of South Bend.

Minnie was born to Lawrence and Bertha (Calhoun) Vermillion in Culver on Oct. 10, 1922.

Minnie is survived by her son, Carl (Susan) Campbell, Three Rivers, Mich.; daughter Karen (Richard) Campbell McCarty; six grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; four brothers; a sister; and one great-grandson.

A time of gathering will be at the Odom Funeral Home, Culver, on Sunday, Oct. 1, 2017, from 4-6 p.m. EDT. The Rev. Pat Allen will officiate the funeral service on Monday, Oct. 2, 2017, at the Delong Gospel Lighthouse Church at 2 p.m. EDT. Burial will follow at Leiters Ford IOOF Cemetery. Memorials may be given to the Delong Gospel Lighthouse Church. Condolences may be sent via the obituary page at [www.odomfuneralhome.com](http://www.odomfuneralhome.com). The Odom Funeral Home, Culver, is caring for the family.

### **Douglas L. Capper**

Jan. 18, 1954 – Sept. 27, 2017

Mr. Douglas L. Capper, 63, Rochester, passed away at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 27, 2017, in Winamac.

On Jan. 18, 1954, in Pulaski County, Doug was born. He was a treasured son of Jack and Berneice Haselby Capper. Growing up, he shared his childhood with two brothers, John and Barry, and a sister, Colleen. Doug graduated from Winamac High School with the Class of 1972.

Following high school, Doug attended Indiana University where he studied accounting, earning a bachelor's degree in 1976. While at IU, he was well-acquainted with the basketball team during their years with Bobby Knight while dominating the Big Ten and earning a NCAA championship. IU basketball became a lifelong passion. Doug also enjoyed golf, listening to all kinds of music and following the Chicago Cubs and Bears.

With a strong work ethic, Doug began his professional career with Farm Credit Services from 1976-1979. He returned to the family farm near Winamac, assisting with the daily operations until 1986. In 1991, Doug earned the distinction of being a certified public accountant. He then joined Galbreath, working until 1992 when he changed to Pike Lumber Co. in Akron, working for a decade. He



established the Douglas Capper CPA firm in 2002 in Winamac, with an office also in Rochester, serving business and family accounting needs for the past 15 years.

On March 28, 2003, in Phoenix, Ariz., Doug and Angie Andrews were married. They shared 14 years of life's adventures. Travel was a common interest, and they enjoyed visiting a variety of destinations, most recently returning from a trip to Alaska. Weekends brought on many rounds of golf all over Indiana for Doug and Angie. There was nothing more fun than being on the golf course enjoying the game, fresh air and sunshine.

Grandpa Capper enjoyed overseeing three generations. He treasured the time spent with his children and grandchildren and looked forward to making memories during special family celebrations. Doug followed all of the children's and grandchildren's athletic activities and band and choir concerts and loved watching them excel in them.

Left to cherish the memory of Doug are his wife, Angie; daughter Karen Steuer and husband Matthew, Indianapolis; a son, Christopher Capper, Indianapolis; six Steuer grandchildren, Jackson, Amelia, Liam, Grant, Katelyn and Miriam; two brothers, John Capper IV and wife Jill, Crawfordsville, and Barry Capper and wife Karen, Plymouth; a sister, Colleen Capper, Madison, Wis.; and several nieces and nephews. Doug was preceded in death by his parents.

A celebration of the life of Douglas L. Capper will be at 1 p.m. EDT on Sunday, Oct. 1, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Pastor Rick Abbott will officiate. Friends may visit with the family from 2-8 p.m. EDT on Saturday and one hour prior to the service Sunday at the funeral home. Interment will be in McKinley Memorial Gardens, Winamac. Memorials may be made to CAMPWE- CAN through the Northern Indiana Community Foundation, 715 Main St., Rochester, IN 46975. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Monday October 2, 2017

**Rev. Herbert R. 'Father Bert' Woolson**

Jan. 17, 1948 – Sept. 29, 2017

The Rev. Herbert R. "Father Bert" Woolson, 69, Winamac, passed away Friday, Sept. 29, 2017, at Memorial Hospital, South Bend.

Bert was born on Jan. 17, 1948, in Lawton, Okla., to the late John and Betty McLellan Woolson. He was a graduate of Brunnerdale High School Seminary and

Walsh College, both of North Canton, Ohio. He received a Master of Divinity from Catholic Theological Union in Chicago and was ordained on June 12, 1982, in Celina, Ohio. Father Bert was currently serving as pastor of St. Anne Catholic Church in Monterey and St. Ann Catholic Church in Kewanna. He was a Fourth Degree member of the Knights of Columbus, Monterey Assembly.

For many years, Father Bert had served as chaplain for St. Joseph Medical Center in Fort Wayne, the Indiana Canine Assisted Crisis Team, the Indiana State Police, Pulaski Memorial Hospital, Pulaski Memorial Hospice, and the Pulaski County Coroner's Office. Along with his trusted dogs, Rain and Leisel, he was an active member of the Indiana Department of Mental Health. Most recently, his dog Zeke was being trained to join the department.

Father Bert enjoyed serving others, wherever the need was. He had a gentle demeanor and brought a calming peace to those around him. Father Bert will be deeply missed but never forgotten.

He is survived by his sister and brother-in-law, Anne and Gary Campbell, Allen, Texas; his sister-in-law, Milagros Woolson, Centreville, Va.; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, John and Betty McLellan Woolson; his sister, Catherine Woolson; and his brothers, John Woolson Jr. and Richard Woolson.

Visitation will be from 2-8 p.m. EDT Wednesday, Oct. 4, 2017, at Frain Mortuary, 305 E. Main St., Winamac. A Scriptural Wake Service will be at 2 p.m. EDT and Knights of Columbus service will be at 8 p.m. EDT at the funeral home. Additional visitation will be from 8:30-10:30 a.m. EDT Thursday, Oct. 5, 2017, at Frain Mortuary, 305 E. Main St., Winamac. A Funeral Mass will be at 11 a.m. EDT Thursday, Oct. 5, 2017, at St. Peter Catholic Church, 402 N. Market St., Winamac, with the Most Rev. Bishop Emeritus William L. Higi and priests of the Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana officiating. A graveside service will be at 11 a.m. EDT Friday, Oct. 6, 2017, at Our Lady of Peace Cemetery, 9001 Haverstick Road, Indianapolis, with the Rev. Leroy Kinnaman officiating. Interment will be at Our Lady of Peace Cemetery in Indianapolis.

Memorial contributions may be made in the form of Mass Intentions to a Catholic church or as general donations to a Catholic church of the donor's choice. Online condolences may be offered via the guest book at [www.frainmortuary.com](http://www.frainmortuary.com). Arrangements have been entrusted to Frain Mortuary.

**Bette J. Gundrum**

April 19, 1933 – Sept. 30, 2017

Bette J. Gundrum, 84, Kewanna, passed away Saturday, Sept. 30, 2017, at St. Vincent Hospital, Indianapolis.

Born on April 19, 1933, in Pulaski County, she was the daughter of the late George and Minnie June (Lowe) Townsend. On Dec. 26, 1951, in Fulton, she married James Alfred Gundrum. He survives.

Bette retired from Logansport National City Bank where she was the manager of the Twelve Mile branch. She was a member of American Legion Post 36, St. Joseph Catholic Church in Rochester and its Parish Council and the Altar and Rosary Society. Bette was a board member of the Fulton County Precinct Committee and the Fulton Cemetery. She also served as the treasurer for the Logansport Deanery D.C.C.W.

Surviving along with her husband, Alfred, is a son, James Robert (Terri) Gundrum, Rochester; two daughters, Sandy (Charles) Warpenburg, Twelve Mile, and Beth (Gary) Williams, Rochester; grandchildren Chuck (Abby) Warpenburg, Uriah (Josie) Horn, Christine (Steve) Lang, Amanda (Steve) Metzger, Nicole (Vance) Monical, Ryley Williams, and Ryan Williams; great-grandchildren Ella, Monica, Jack, Paisley, Mason, Max, Chas, Gage, and Grayce; three great-great-grandchildren Livy, Sadie and Oliver; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by a son, William J. Gundrum; two sisters, Wilma Finks and Jeanne Fincher; and three brothers, George, Robert, and John Townsend.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 4, 2017, at the St. Joseph Catholic Church, Rochester, with Father Dominic Petan officiating. Burial will follow in the Fulton Cemetery. Visitation will be from 4-7 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 3, 2017, at Gundrum Funeral Home. The rosary will be said at 7 p.m. Memorials may be made to the Fulton Cemetery. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home. Family and friends may sign Bette's guestbook online at [www.gundrumcares.com](http://www.gundrumcares.com).

### **Jerry Lee Whetstone**

May 26, 1954 – Sept. 29, 2017

Jerry Lee Whetstone, 63, Fishers, passed away at 8:41 a.m. Sept. 29, 2017, at Community Heart and Vascular Hospital, Indianapolis. He was born on May 26, 1954, in Warsaw to Lowell D. Whetstone and Loa Jean (Horn) Whetstone.

He had lived in Fishers for three months and in Fort Wayne for five years. He was previously from Akron. He graduated with the Class of 1973 from Akron High School.

On Oct. 7, 1978, in Akron, he married Beth Ann Harris. The Rev. Claude Fawns officiated.

Jerry worked as a welder for the United States Navy and as a millwright at Buhrt Engineering in Warsaw. He retired from Miami Correctional Facility, where he was a correctional officer.

Jerry was a fan of NASCAR driver Jeff Gordon and Chicago Bears football. He loved spending time with his granddaughter and was a happy man who had never met a stranger.

Survivors include his wife, Beth Ann Whetstone, Fishers; daughter Amber Shae Peters (spouse Scott) and their daughter, Cadence Ann Peters, South Whitley; brother Leon D. Whetstone (spouse Marlene), Silver Lake; sister Darlene K. Reese (spouse Dan), Oswego; sister-in-law Pamela Prater (spouse Jeff), Rochester; and brother-in-law Marvin Harris (spouse Tina), Huntsville, Ark. Jerry was preceded in death by his parents.

Visitation is 4-7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 3, 2017, at the Earl-Love Funeral Home. His funeral service is 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 3, 2017, at the Earl-Love Funeral Home with Pastor Derrick Harris of Olive Branch Church officiating. For those who wish to honor the memory of Jerry L. Whetstone, memorial contributions may be made to the family c/o Earl-Love Funeral Home, P.O. Box 503, Akron, IN 46910. Online condolences may be sent to [www.earllovefuneralhome.com](http://www.earllovefuneralhome.com).

### **Richard E. Lindgren**

Richard E. Lindgren, 64, Rochester, died Thursday at Life Care Center of Rochester.

A memorial service is 7 p.m. Wednesday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation is 5 p.m. to the time of the service Wednesday at the funeral home.

### **E. Joann Bucher**

E. Joann Bucher, 78, Akron, died Sunday at home. Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home.

Tuesday October 3, 2017

### **John P. Hudkins**

John P. Hudkins, 74, Rochester, died Sunday at home.

Survivors include his wife, Dottie; two daughters, Laura Stoner, South Bend, and Cathi Morrison, Rochester; two sons, John A. Hudkins, Rochester, and Jason Hudkins, Rochester; his sister, Mary Ellen George, Mesa, Ariz.; and two brothers, Richard Hudkins, Rochester, and Virgil Hudkins, Rochester.

His funeral service is 11 a.m. Friday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Thursday and one hour prior to the funeral Friday at the funeral home.

### **Harold R. Houser**

Harold R. Houser, 87, Peru, died Saturday at Blair Ridge Health Campus, Peru. Arrangements are pending at McClain Funeral Home.

### **E. Joan Bucher**

Sept. 18, 1940 – Oct. 1, 2017

E. Joan Bucher, 77, Akron, and formerly of Rock Lake, passed away at 11:30 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 1, 2017, at her residence unexpectedly.

She was born on Sept. 18, 1940, in Fulton County, to Earl D. and June A. (Smith) Floor. On Sept. 23, 1958, in the Disko United Methodist Church, she married James Lee Bucher Sr. He survives.

She worked at Controls in North Manchester and retired in 2005 after more than 40 years with the company. She attended Akron High School.

Joan enjoyed camping, especially at Jellystone in Pierceton, reading, bird-watching, and spending time with her family. She was an Elvis fan and liked to travel with her husband on car trips.

Survivors include her husband, Jim Bucher, Akron; her daughters, Joy L. and husband Robert L. McDonough, Rock Lake, and Amy Bucher, Akron; her sons, Jerry Bucher and fiancée Linda Carroll, Oswego, Jeff and wife Marilyn Bucher, Akron, and Jim Jr. and wife Mary Bucher, North Manchester; 13 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; two great-great grandchildren; her sister, Sharon Floor, Akron; and her brothers, Larry and wife Ann Floor, Akron, and Michael and wife Claudette Floor, Westfield. She was preceded in death by her parents and sisters Deloris Thompson and Karen French.

Her funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Friday, Oct. 6, 2017, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Pastor Frank Whitaker officiating. Burial will be in Silver Creek Cemetery, Silver Lake. Visitation is 3-8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 5, 2017, at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron. Memorial contributions may be made to the Ronald McDonald House Charities Inc., 26345 Network Place,

Chicago, IL 60673-1263. Family and friends may share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

Wednesday October 4, 2017

**Emily Anne Mangelsdorf**

June 16, 1993 – Oct. 2, 2017

Emily Anne Mangelsdorf, 24, Peru, passed away at 5:34 p.m. Monday, Oct. 2, 2017, at St. Vincent Hospital, Indianapolis.

She was born on June 16, 1993, in Fort Polk, La., the daughter of David T. Mangelsdorf and Jeanetta McSwain. Emily enjoyed drawing and various artistic activities.

Survivors include her daughters, Stephanie Anne Mangelsdorf and Charli Mae Mangelsdorf, both of Peru; parents David (Emily) Mangelsdorf, Fulton, and Jeanetta McSwain, Peru; sisters Andrea (Ethan) Miller, Kewanee, Cassidy (Justin) Bailey, Sharpsville, and Sarah Mangelsdorf and Gracie Mangelsdorf, both of Fulton; grandparents Jim and Rickie Fears, Hillsboro, Mo., Marvin and Terry McVay, Twelve Mile, Linda McSwain, Hemphill, Texas, and Debra McCartney, Peru; great-grandma Helen Fears, Hillsboro, Mo.; fiance Brad Kreps, Peru; and several aunts, uncles and cousins. She was preceded in death by her grandfather, Brad McSwain.

Her funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Oct. 6, 2017, at the Fulton Baptist Temple, Fulton, with Pastor Bruce Russell officiating. Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Thursday and one hour prior to the service Friday at the church. Burial will be in the Fulton Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Fulton Baptist Temple Youth Group or the American Heart Association. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com)

**John Phillip Hudkins**

July 6, 1943 – Oct. 1, 2017

Mr. John Phillip Hudkins, 74, Rochester, passed away at 11:55 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 1, 2017, at his residence.

On July 6, 1943, John Phillip Hudkins was born in Fulton County. He was a treasured son of William Judson and Mildred I. Brooker Hudkins. Growing up, he shared his childhood with five brothers and a sister. John graduated from Rochester

High School in 1961. Following high school, he continued his education at Eastern New Mexico University where he studied history.

On Feb. 20, 1963, in Rochester, John married Phyllis Mae Bailey. From their union came four wonderful children. Later they were divorced.

With a strong work ethic, John became a union sheet-metal worker. He was union proud from 1966-1975. As an entrepreneur and local businessman, John formed the J& S Sheet Metal Company, serving northern Indiana. The business spanned nearly two decades. After a short stint with Airvac, John returned to the union, working with sheet metal from 1997 until he retired in 2006.

In Gatlinburg, Tenn., on July 6, 1999, John and Dottie Damron were married. They enjoyed 18 years of life's adventures. The Indiana winter caused them to travel to Port St. Lucie, Fla., where they wintered for more than a decade.

During the early '70s, John coached Little League Baseball with great intensity. He was a member of the Masons and Scottish Rite. John also served as governor of the Moose.

He is remembered as being a diehard Republican, watching Fox News when he relaxed in his recliner. Seated beside him was B.A. or Duchess, and more recently, Mitz, his little shadow.

As an adventurer and an American outdoorsman, John enjoyed annual hunting trips with the Hudkins brothers. They hunted pheasant and other game birds in Nebraska. Many times the nephews went too.

John was the proud owner of a fleet of Honda Gold Wings, spanning many years. Heading westward on a men's biking trip, he was accompanied by Joe, Chuck, Al, Art, and other friends. His favorite ride was the 1986 white Ford LTD. The only ride that eclipsed the LTD was his blue 1987 Chevy S-10, well-broken in with more than 100,000 miles. An avid golfer, John enjoyed Rochester's local venue, but also took his game to Myrtle Beach and Florida to keep his skillset sharp during the winter.

John will be lovingly remembered by his wife, Dottie; two daughters, Laura Stoner and husband Craig, South Bend, and Cathi Morrison and husband Joey, Rochester; two sons, John A. Hudkins and wife Shannon, Rochester, and Jason Hudkins and wife Amanda, Rochester; stepchildren Doug Mayhew and wife Michelle, Duane Mayhew and wife Sandy, and Danita Spangler and husband Dan, all of Warsaw; 15 grandchildren, Zach Clevenger, Allison Hudkins, Alyssa Shepherd, Brendan Hudkins, Chad Hudkins, Ashlynn Hudkins, Arika Hudkins, Ace Hudkins, A.J. Hudkins, Bailey Hudkins, Kyle Coplen, Brenna Smith, Zachary Miller, Matthew Miller, and Tara Wilkow; 13 great-grandchildren; sister Mary

Ellen George and husband Dick, Mesa, Ariz.; two brothers, Richard Hudkins and companion Jean, and Virgil Hudkins and wife Sue, all of Rochester; brothers- and sisters-in-law Carl Damron, Lottie and Ed Smoker, Ellen and Jim Conley, all of Rochester, and Sue and Marty Shuey, Rensselaer; special friends “The Amigos,” Angel, Bob, Al and Patti; numerous nieces, nephews and cousins; and two companions, Mitz, a black and tan dachshund, and B.A., a tortoiseshell long-haired feline. John was preceded in death by his parents; three grandchildren, Brooke Miller, Jered Morrison, and J.P. Hudkins; three Hudkins brothers, Don, Jerry, and George; the Damron sisters- and brothers-in- law, Judy, Annie, Bea, Eddie, Dewey, Johnny, Buri, Luther and Clifford; and his treasured canine companion, Duchess the Dalmatian.

A celebration of the life of John P. Hudkins will be at 11 a.m. on Friday, Oct. 6, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Pastor Gretchen Schneider will officiate. Friends may visit with the family from 4-8 p.m. on Thursday and one hour prior to the service Friday at the funeral home. Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the St. Joseph County 4-H Scholarship Trust, 5117 Ironwood Road, South Bend, IN 46614, or to the Fulton County Animal Adoption and Education Center through the Northern Indiana Community Foundation, 715 Main St., Rochester, IN 46975. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Martha Von der Lehr**

Martha Von der Lehr, 94, Rochester, died Monday in Fort Walton Beach, Fla. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

### **Jesse L. Bowers**

A memorial service for Jesse L. Bowers, 23, Rochester, who died Sept. 20, 2017, is 4 p.m. Saturday at the American Legion Post 36, Rochester. A time of visitation is noon to 4 p.m. Saturday at the Legion.

### **Marquitta M. McLochlin**

A graveside service for Marquitta M. McLochlin, 85, Rochester, who died Sept. 25, 2017, is 11 a.m. Saturday at Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester.

### **Trella Grossman**



Trella Grossman, 82, Silver Lake, died Tuesday at home. Arrangements are pending at Earl-Love Funeral Home.

Thursday October 5, 2017

**Trella McGee Grossman**

June 30, 1935 – Oct. 3, 2017

Trella McGee Grossman, 82, Silver Lake, passed away at 11:05 a.m. Oct. 3, 2017, at her residence.

She was born on June 30, 1935, in Bourbon, to John Ervin and Minnie Mae (Elkins) Scott. She lived in several places in Kosciusko, Marshall and Fulton counties. Trella graduated with the Class of 1953 from Bourbon High School. On Nov. 23, 1954, she married George Charles Grossman.

Trella worked at Burger Chef, which changed to Hardee's in Rochester. She was a crew manager for 28 years. She also was a farmer's wife her whole life. Her pastimes included reading books and doing crossword puzzles and scratch-off lottery tickets.

Survivors include three daughters, Trina (spouse Bart) Conley, Rochester, Carla (spouse Jim) Beery, Akron, and Della Conley, Warsaw; four sons, Rodney J. Grossman, Silver Lake, Dan A. "Jake" (spouse Arissa), Akron, Calvin A. Grossman, Argos, and Chad E. Grossman, Fayetteville, Ga.; one sister, Vada Owens, Plymouth; 21 grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild on the way. Trella was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, George, who died Aug. 21, 1997; seven brothers; two sisters; and four granddaughters, Ashley, Angela, Catherine and Jenny Lynn.

Visitation and viewing are 10 a.m.-1 p.m. on Oct. 7, 2017, at the Earl-Love Funeral Home, 811 E. Rochester St., Akron, with a graveside service at the cemetery following the visitation officiated by the Rev. Mike Roher. Burial will be in the Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos. Online condolences may be sent to [www.earllovefuneralhome.com](http://www.earllovefuneralhome.com).

**Harold R. Houser**

Harold R. Houser, 87, Peru, died Saturday at Blair Ridge Health Campus, Peru.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Lynn; and his children, Teresa, Rochester, Elaine Stone, Medina, Ohio, and David, Etna Green.

His memorial service is 11 a.m. Saturday at the Peru Church of the Brethren, 134 E. Fifth St. Visitation is 10 a.m. to the time of the service Saturday at the church. Arrangements are handled by McClain Funeral Home.

Friday October 6, 2017

No Obituaries

Saturday October 7, 2017

**Malinda F. Rae**

Malinda F. Rae, 49, Argos, died Thursday at home.

Survivors include her mother, Linda L. Rae, Argos; her sons, Gary D. Parks, Georgia, Christopher B. Parks, Illinois, and William D. Parks, Colorado; and her sister, Julie A. Stokes, Colorado.

No service is planned at this time. Arrangements are handled by Earl-Grossman Funeral Home.

**Christopher L. Howard**

Christopher L. Howard, 48, Argos, died Wednesday at home.

Survivors include his wife, Jane Howard, Argos; his son, Christopher L. Howard II, Mishawaka; his parents, Lloyd and Phyllis Howard, Argos; his sister, Jacqueline Binion, Dowagiac, Mich.; and his brothers, Ralph E. Howard and Anthony W. Howard, both of Argos.

His funeral service is noon Monday at The Church of Jesus Christ of Argos, 15676 Michigan Road. Visitation is 3-7 p.m. Sunday at the church. Arrangements are handled by Earl-Grossman Funeral Home.

**James William Scott**

Oct. 28, 1942 – Oct. 5, 2017

James William Scott, 74, Frankfort, passed away on Thursday, Oct. 5, 2017, at Golden Living Center in Kokomo.

He was born on Oct. 28, 1942, in Joliet, Ill., to Clayton and Mary Lou (McGowan) Scott. He lived in Kewanza until joining the United States Army in 1964. He was a graduate of Grass Creek High School in Fulton County.

He married Lisa Hsieh in December 1972. She preceded him in death. He was a truck driver for the Indiana Department of Transportation. James was honored in September 2017 by the VFW for his military service.

Survivors include his daughter, Rosanna Maitland, Malabar, Fla.; his sons, Steven Scott, McDonough, Ga., David Scott, Imperial, Pa., Thomas Scott, and James Scott Jr.; his sister, Shirley Scott Haines (Mike), Plantation, Fla.; his niece, Kimberly Butterfield, Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; his nephew, James Butterfield, Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; nine grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents and his wife.

No service is planned at this time. Archer-Weston Funeral & Cremation Center is honored to assist with services for James. Friends are invited to visit [archerweston.com](http://archerweston.com) where they may order flowers and leave a condolence for the Scott family.

Monday October 9, 2017

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Tuesday October 10, 2017

### **Michael O. Bennett**

Michael O. Bennett, 63, Silver Lake, died Saturday in Wabash County.

Survivors include his wife, Araceli Bennett; children, Michael Bennett Jr., Christopher Bennett, Jonathan Bennett, Lee Bennett, Katilin Bernaiche, Brian Bennett, Jessica Bennett and Joshua Bennett; and two sisters.

Cremation has taken place and there will be no services. Arrangements are handled by Earl-Love Funeral Home, Akron.

### **Joyce E. Ege**

Joyce E. Ege, 79, Macy, died Sunday at Miller's Merry Manor, Culver.

Survivors include her children, David Hardacre, Mentone, Susan Wert, Mentone, and Vicki Burman, Macy; and her sister, Carol Flohr, Akron.

Graveside services will be conducted at 1 p.m. Thursday at Citizens Cemetery, Rochester. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

### **Virginia M. Reinholt**

May 3, 1922 – Oct. 7, 2017

Virginia M. Reinholt, 95, of Kewanna, passed away at 3:04 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 7, 2017, at Miller's Merry Manor in Logansport.

Born May 3, 1922, in Monterey, she was the daughter of the late Roy E. and Lottie (Hoover) Reinholt. Virginia was a 1941 Kewanna High School graduate.

She retired from Logansport State Hospital where she worked in medical records for more than 54 years. She was a member of St. Ann Catholic Church in Kewanna.

Survivors include brother, Gene R. Reinholt (Joan) of Kewanna, sisters, Wilma Lytle of Logansport, Ruth Ann Holcomb (Keith) of Griffith and Judy Gruchala of Illinois. She is also survived by several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by brothers, Kenneth, Darrell and Robert Reinholt, and sisters, Lucille Reinholt, Phyllis Reutebuch and Maxine Ramsey.

Services will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 12, 2017, at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel with Father Michael McKinney officiating. Visitation will be for one hour prior to the service. Burial will be at St. Anne's Catholic Cemetery in Monterey. Please sign the online guest book or leave condolence for the Reinholt family at [www.ransfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com).

### **Oscar L. Robinson**

Oscar L. Robinson, 86, Mentone, died Saturday at home. Survivors include his daughter, Carol Prater, of Mentone.

His funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone. Visitation is 5-7 p.m. today at King Memorial Home, Mentone. Arrangements are handled by King Memorial Home.

### **Dorothy E. Thurin**

Dorothy E. Thurin, 93, Plymouth and formerly of Culver, died Thursday at Miller's Merry Manor, Plymouth.

Survivors include her daughter, Linda J. Redinger, of Argos.

Her funeral service is 11 a.m. today at Saint Mary's of the Lake Catholic Church, 605 N. Plymouth St., Culver. Visitation is one hour prior to the service today at the church. Arrangements are handled by Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

### **Pauline E. Vardaman**

Pauline E. Vardaman, 75, Rochester, died Monday at home. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Wednesday October 11, 2017

**Pauline E. Vardaman**

July 21, 1942 – Oct. 9, 2017

Mrs. Pauline E. Vardaman, 75, Rochester, passed away at 6:30 a.m. on Monday, Oct. 9, 2017, at her residence. On July 21, 1942, Pauline was born in New Buffalo, Mich., to Morton and Nora Hefner Brooks.

Pauline and Robert Vardaman were married on Oct. 14, 1960, in Michigan City. They shared 57 years of life's adventures. Their union produced a daughter and three sons, with four grandchildren adding another branch to the family tree.

The Vardaman family moved to Rochester in 2003 from New Paris. As a domestic engineer, Pauline enjoyed cooking and taking care of her family. She was an avid gardener and also liked a good game of cards.

Left to cherish the memory of Pauline with her husband, Robert Vardaman Sr., are three children, Robert Vardaman Jr. and companion Judy, Michigan City, Jerry Andrew Vardaman, Indianapolis, and Carla Reynolds and husband Kenneth, Rochester; and four grandchildren, Donald Lee Christensen Vardaman Jr., Ronald Eugene Vardaman Jr., Emily Ann Burkholder, and Hunter Andrew Wyatt Vardaman. Pauline was preceded in death by her parents and a son, Ronald Eugene Vardaman Sr.

A private family service was on Tuesday, Oct. 10, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Mike Bingle officiating. Interment will be in the Sand Hill Cemetery. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

**Mildred O. Harrold**

Mildred O. Harrold, 97, Akron, died Monday at home. Survivors include her son, Richard Harrold, Akron; and her daughter, Sharon Sommers, Silver Lake.

Her funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Hartzler Funeral Home. Visitation is 4-7 p.m. Friday and 9:30 a.m. to the time of the service Saturday at the funeral home.

Thursday October 12, 2017

## **Joe Caywood**

March 4, 1962 – Oct. 7, 2017

Joe Caywood, 55, Gilbert, Ariz., and formerly of Rochester, passed away on Saturday, Oct. 7, 2017, at 7:10 a.m. with loved ones by his side.

Joe was born on March 4, 1962, the son of Robert and Nancy Caywood. Joe grew up in Rochester and loved to fish, water-ski and go snowmobiling.

Joe moved to Arizona in the late '80s, where he met Vickie Calpaert. They married on Oct. 7, 1989. They were blessed with daughters Natasha, Deseree, Monica and Megan, and the family grew larger with 12 grandchildren and a great-grandson.

Joe is survived by Bob and Nancy; his one true love, Vickie; daughters and grandchildren; sisters Debra and husband Richie Magan, Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and Tammie Caywood; and aunts, uncles and cousins.

Joe requested a private service.

## **Mildred O. Harrold**

Dec. 19, 1919 – Oct. 9, 2017

Mildred O. Harrold, 97, Akron, passed away at 11 p.m. Monday, Oct. 9, 2017, at her residence. She was born on Dec. 19, 1919, in Kosciusko County, to Oren and Grace (Cook) Craig.

She was united in marriage on Nov. 26, 1942, in the residence she had lived in most of her life, to Dorris L. Harrold. He preceded her in death on June 9, 2009.

Mildred taught school for 33 years in the Franklin, Beaver Dam, and Warsaw school systems.

Mildred graduated from Beaver Dam High School and Manchester College. She received a teaching degree with a life license in two years. She was a member of the Beaver Dam United Methodist Church for more than 65 years. She was a life member of the American Angus Auxiliary and sewed for the Ways and Means for the Indiana Angus Auxiliary for 20 years. She and Dorris were Kosciusko County 4-H leaders for 18 years.

Survivors include her son, Richard and wife Vicki Harrold, Akron; daughter Sharon and husband Dr. Richard Sommers, Silver Lake; grandchildren Jill and Dan Harker, Hope, Janelle and husband Brian Deatsman, Leesburg, and Jason and Tonia Harrold, North Manchester; and great-grandchildren Luke and Chase Harker, Collin and Landon Deatsman, and Noah, Madelyn, and Sophia Harrold. She was preceded in death by her parents, Oren and Grace Craig; sister Susie Riley; and brothers George Craig and William P. Craig.

Mildred's funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 14, 2017, with visitation one hour prior to the service at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron. Pastor Evelyn Haney will officiate. Burial will be the Akron Cemetery. Visitation is also 4-7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 13, 2017, at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron. Memorial contributions may be made to the Kosciusko County Community Foundation, CAMP-WE-CAN, and Kosciusko County Hospice. Family and friends may share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

Friday October 13, 2017

No Obituaries

Saturday October 14, 2017

No Obituaries

Monday October 16, 2017

### **James R. Bowers**

James R. Bowers, 91, Rochester, died Sunday at Woodlawn Hospital.

Survivors include his wife, Loie; five children, John Bowers, Rochester, RuthAnn Ravencroft, Rochester, Joe Bowers, Rochester, Sue Bowers, Sterling Heights, Mich., and Jay Bowers, Denver; and his sister, June Weber, Akron.

His funeral service is 11 a.m. Wednesday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Tuesday and one hour prior to the service Wednesday at the funeral home.

### **Diana Kay Thornton**

Aug. 29, 1949 – Oct. 14, 2017

Diana Kay Thornton, 68, Rochester, passed away at 1:19 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 14, 2017, at her residence.

She was born on Aug. 29, 1949, in Denver, Colo., the daughter of Jack D. and Lois (Rinearson) Younglove. On Jan. 25, 1975, in Rochester, she married Richard Thornton. He survives.

Mrs. Thornton had been president of the Humane Society and had been a bartender at the American Legion Post, Eagles Lodge and The Dam Landing. For

numerous years, she had been a caregiver for many families around the Rochester area. A dedicated animal lover, she was an active supporter of the Humane Society across the country.

She had also been an active sponsor and supporter of Disabled American Veterans and had been a member of the Ladies Auxiliary of the American Legion and Eagles Lodge. In her leisure time, she enjoyed riding motorcycles, relaxing by her swimming pool, fishing, camping, cooking and bowling and was an accomplished billiards player.

Survivors include her husband, Richard Thornton, Rochester; children Kellie Engle (John Thomas), Akron, Shellie (Scott) Colvin, Fort Collins, Colo., and Jerry Duane (Donald Gregory) Kreighbaum, Hobart; stepchildren Richard (Sonya) Thornton II, Las Vegas, Nev., and Rachelle (Joe) Girard, Canyon, Texas; numerous grandchildren and Diana Thornton great grandchildren; and brother Todd (Teresa) Younglove, Panama City, Fla. She was preceded in death by her father, Jack D. Younglove, and mother Lois Ross.

Friends may visit from 4-7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 17, 2017, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, the American Humane Society or the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, South Bend. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

## **Regina Vigar**

June 28, 1924 – Oct. 14, 2017

Regina Vigar, 93, Rochester, passed away at 6:01 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 14, 2017, at WoodBridge Health Campus, Logansport.

She was born on June 28, 1924, in Miami County, the daughter of Verl and Ruth A. (Imhoff) Burns. On March 29, 1941, in Peru, she married Orville C. Vigar. He preceded her in death on June 24, 1998.

Mrs. Vigar had been a homemaker and worked with her husband on the family farm.

Survivors include her children, James L. and wife Patricia Vigar, Madera, Calif., and Roger and wife Deb Vigar, Rochester; grandchildren Thomas L. Keele, Rochester, William J. Keele, Rochester, Ginger Caswell-Govett, Madera, Calif., Shelli (Dan) Freeman, California, Steven (Tammy) Vigar, Rochester, and Jo (Dave) Clark, Rochester; nine great-grandchildren; four great-great-grandchildren; and brother Edward Burns, Denver. She was preceded in death by her daughter,



Bonnie Keele; brothers Robert Burns, Richard Burns, and Victor Harold Burns; and sisters Mary Day and Anna Louella Davis.

A graveside service will be conducted at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 17, 2017, at Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester, with the Rev. Rod Ruberg officiating. Memorial contributions may be made to Riverview Community Church. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

Tuesday October 17, 2017

### **Roger L. Shambaugh**

Roger L. Shambaugh, 60, Rochester, died Monday at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Survivors include his sister, Mary Hensley, Franklin; and his brothers, Jack Shambaugh, Warsaw, and Fred Shambaugh, Akron.

A memorial service is 6 p.m. Oct. 27 at New Life Church, Rochester.

### **James R. Bowers**

April 8, 1926 – Oct. 15, 2017

Mr. James R. Bowers, 91, Rochester, passed away at 4:56 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 15, 2017, at Woodlawn Hospital.

On April 8, 1926, James was born in Winamac to George Washington Bowers and Hazel Heater Bowers. He shared his childhood with three sisters and two brothers.

In 1944, Jim answered the call of patriotism during World War II and served with the U.S. Army Air Corps. In 1946, Cpl. James Bowers was honorably discharged. While in the service, he received his high school diploma in 1945.

Jim and Lois E. "Loie" Helms were married on June 3, 1951, in the First Christian Church of Rochester. They shared 66 years of life's adventures. Their union produced two daughters and three sons. Two more generations have been added to the family tree.

Jim had been a member of the First Christian Church since 1940 where he served as a deacon. He was also a lifetime member of the Eagles Lodge No. 852. As a machinist, Jim worked for the Sealed Power Corp. for 37 years.

A family man, Grandpa Po cherished the time with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. They will all have great memories of the gravel pit camping site. Jim enjoyed the outdoors, hunting for quail or rabbits and going on the

Michigan trips to fish for salmon. Woodworking was a relaxing hobby. An avid bowler, Jim was very proud of his perfect 300 game.

Left to cherish the memories of Jim with his wife, Loie, are five children, John Bowers and wife Jo Ann, Rochester, RuthAnn Ravencroft and husband Tim, Rochester, Joe Bowers and wife Terri, Rochester, Sue Bowers, Sterling Heights, Mich., and Jay Bowers and wife Cindy, Denver; 12 grandchildren, Phillip Bowers and wife Lesley, Ross Bowers and partner Tim, Joe Bowers and wife Kate, Lyndee Duhnovsky and husband Shawn, Jacob Smith and wife Michelle, Joshua Smith and wife Sumer, Nick Bowers and fiancée Laura, Amy Bowers, Mitch Bowers and wife Brita, Marc Bowers and wife Heather, Jaci France and husband Lee, and Cori Knight and husband Michael; 22 great-grandchildren, with another blessing soon to arrive; sister June Weber, Akron; and numerous nieces and nephews. Jim was preceded in death by his parents; and siblings George Bowers, Mary Jane Howell, Carolyn Wynn and Gerald Bowers.

A celebration of the life of James R. Bowers will be at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 18, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Grandson Joshua Smith will officiate the service. Friends may visit with the family from 4-8 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 17, 2017, and one hour prior to the service Wednesday at the funeral home. Military rites will be conducted by the Fulton County Veterans Honor Guard and the U.S. Army Honors Team. Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Helms Family Reunion, Bowers Family Reunion or to the First Christian Church, 1101 Madison St., Rochester, IN 46975. Envelopes are available at the funeral home. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Wednesday October 18, 2017

**Robert E. Knox**

Robert E. Knox, 90, Rochester, died Tuesday at Woodlawn Hospital. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

Thursday October 19, 2017

No Obituaries

Friday October 20, 2017

## **James R. ‘Jimmy’ Michael**

Sept. 20, 1953 – Oct. 17, 2017

James R. “Jimmy” Michael, 64, Lucerne, passed away on Oct. 17, 2017, at 6:21 p.m. He was born to the late Harry Michael and Mildred “Millie” (Lyons) Lumbirt on Sept. 20, 1953, in Logansport.

Jimmy graduated from Logansport High School in 1972 and led a successful career managing Arone’s Hardware before retiring in 2016, after 45 years of service.

His passion of helping others could be seen through his dedicated work at the hardware store, not only locating needed items, but also finding other local services to make sure customers were satisfied. When his booming voice and contagious laugh were not filling the aisles of the store, he was off enjoying many other leisurely activities.

Jimmy was a member of the Logansport Shrine Club, the Elks Lodge, Sons of The American Legion, the Moose Lodge, and the Southside Community Beautification Committee.

His favorite pastimes included quilting, canning, caring for his animals and pets, socializing, and pranking his loved ones. Most of all Jimmy valued spending time with, caring for, and helping the people he loved, his friends and family.

He was preceded in death by his father, Harry Michael; mother Mildred (Lyons) Lumbirt; stepfather Carl Lumbirt; and loved ones, Joseph Arone, and Joel and Nicholas Arone. Jimmy’s remaining family via affection includes his partner, Jeffrey Weaver, Lucerne; Patricia Arone (Gordon Wilson), Logansport; Jerilyn Smith (Steven A.), Logansport; Jaime Smith (Nikki), Logansport; Paige Johansen-Schrum (Patrick, Jordan, Joel, Jenna), Logansport; Melissa Smith (Brody, Isabella), Royal Center; Elizabeth Lantz (Jonathan, Sawyer, Isaiah), Logansport; Debi Miller, Logansport; Ryan Miller (Tabitha), Nyona Lake; Rhett Miller (Stacy, Wyatt, Emmett), Carrboro; Alex Cosgray (Amanda, Willow), Monticello; Tyler Cosgray (Bella), Star City; Rachel Ruff (Justin), Monticello; and Nicole Fouch (Cole), Monticello.

The service will be at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 21, 2017, at Kroeger Funeral Home, Logansport, with Father Stanislaw Tabor officiating. Family and friends may call between the hours of 10 a.m.-1 p.m., also on Saturday, at the funeral home. A Shriners walk-by will be at 12:45 p.m. Interment will follow the service at Mount Hope Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Shriners Hospitals for Children, 1900 Richmond Road, Lexington, KY 40502, or to the Cass County Humane Society, 700 Water Street, Logansport, IN 46947. Family and friends may

leave a memory or message of condolence by visiting the online obituary at [www.kroegerfuneralhome.com](http://www.kroegerfuneralhome.com).

### **Edward Everett Murhling**

June 23, 1931 – Oct. 18, 2017

Mr. Edward Everett Murhling, 86 years, 3 months and 25 days, departed this life at 10 p.m. Oct. 18, 2017, at Life Care Center of Rochester.

On June 23, 1931, Ed was born in DeLong. He was a treasured son of Everett and Geraldine Robinson Murhling. At the age of 10, the Murhling family moved to Kewanna. As the second of three children, Ed shared his childhood with his sister Violet and brother Larry. He attended Kewanna schools and was proud to be an honorary member of the KHS Class of 1953.

A loyal member of the Kewanna United Methodist Church, Ed rarely missed a Sunday service prior to his health decline. He looked forward to the Wednesday night soup suppers hosted by his church. Some of the great memories he shared were his rides as a co-pilot heading to Texas with his buddy Herbie Zellers at the wheel, driving his 18-wheeler. More recently, he enjoyed breakfast or lunch at the L& B Country Oasis and cruising in Joe's Beetle or Roy's 1957 Studebaker.

Eddie developed a strong work ethic working alongside his dad at their parts business. He later was dedicated to Winamac Coil Spring where he worked for many years until his retirement.

A man of great compassion, Eddie was proud that he helped care for his mother, whom he truly adored, during her years of decline. Whether it was heading uptown on his bike to get the mail, to the grocery for necessities or cooking under her watchful eye, Eddie was always there as a comforter for her.

Home for Eddie for the past 76 years was Kewanna, the "Little Town with a Big Heart." He was revered by many, known around town by almost all of the locals as "Eddie," garnering the title of unofficial mayor of the city. With charisma, a flash of a smile and his sparkling ice blue eyes, he was a diplomat, a man who never met a stranger. As soon as you met Eddie, he was a forever friend. He had many adventures on his retro blue bike with cream-colored fenders, and many of them included Molly, his Boston terrier, who rode shotgun in the front basket.

A simple man, Eddie's routine included biking up to his brother Larry's barbershop and enjoying chatting with the guys, browsing magazines and catching up on the latest news. He might jaunt across the street to Lynn's for pie or lunch or

down the street to the Kibitzer for a sandwich or special of the day. His greatest joy was being among his friends.

Eddie is lovingly remembered by his brother, Larry L. Murhling and wife Kay, Rochester; nieces and nephews Amy Marrs and husband Jim, and Bill Murhling and wife Julie, all of Indianapolis, Bob Clyde and wife Barbara, and Gwen Hott and husband Joe, all of Kewanna, Mike Clyde and wife Carol, Lavonia, Ga., and Nancy Luketich and husband Pete, Highland; several great-nieces and great-nephews; and his canine cherished companion, Molly the Boston terrier. Ed was preceded in death by his parents and his sister, Violet Clyde.

A celebration of the life of Mr. Edward E. "Eddie" Murhling will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 21, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Pastor Hal E. Cohn officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 10 a.m. until the hour of the service Saturday at the funeral home. Ed will be laid to eternal rest in the family plot in the Leiters Ford Cemetery. Memorials in lieu of flowers may be made to the Kewanna United Methodist Church or the Fulton County Animal Adoption and Education Center. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Harold W. Folkerth**

Harold W. Folkerth, 97, Rochester, died Wednesday at Hickory Creek at Rochester. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

### **Beverly Hapner**

Beverly Hapner, 82, formerly of Fulton, died Wednesday at Wynnfield Crossing, Rochester. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

Saturday October 21, 2017

### **Martha DeBruler Von der Lehr**

Nov. 7, 1922 – Oct. 2, 2017

Martha Von der Lehr, 94, passed away peacefully Oct. 2, 2017, at Emerald Coast Center, Fort Walton Beach, Fla.

Born Nov. 7, 1922, in Glasgow, Scotland, to George and Matilda Pollock, she came to America in April 1946 as one of 35,000 British war brides, having met and married Robert L. DeBruler on Aug. 4, 1944, at Hemel Hempstead, England.

They brought three daughters, Pamela, Linda and Denise, into the world. At the time of her passing, her family grew to include seven grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren, four great-great-grandchildren, three stepchildren and step grandchildren.

After arriving in Rochester, Martha settled into homemaking. Her husband became associated with the Lockridge photography studio in 1946, assumed part ownership several years later, then full ownership in 1967 when it was renamed DeBruler Studios.

Robert's untimely early death two years later left Martha, whose only job had been in an aircraft insulation factory during World War II, to assume the business. She learned to drive, went to professional photography school and successfully ran the studio, recording the important events of her clients' lives until 1982.

As a mother, she was a Brownie Scout leader and always there to help. A member of First Presbyterian Church, she sang in the choir. She enjoyed bowling, dancing, cruising Lake Manitou on the pontoon and was an avid bridge player. She joined Tri Kappa sorority and then became a charter member of its Beta Mu associate chapter. She also held memberships in the American Legion auxiliary, Eagles auxiliary, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Moose and Elks lodges.

In 1998 in Rochester, Martha married Dr. William Von der Lehr, who survives. They wintered in Florida until establishing full-time residency in Fort Walton Beach in 2012.

Martha and Bill traveled extensively, from the east to west United States' coasts and in Europe, where she enjoyed visiting with her extended family in England and Scotland. A social butterfly, wherever she went she established and kept new friendships. She was a consummate entertainer.

Martha could be found every day in the kitchen. She created extravagant meals for two or 50. Friends became acquainted with the simple food of her homeland, including potato kugeli and Scottish shortbread and family members sat down to prime rib dinners with Yorkshire pudding at holiday parties she planned with delight.

She also is survived by her daughters, Pamela and husband Bob Napier, Rochester, Linda and husband Roy Simpson, Greensburg, and Denise and companion Bill Mulvaney, Rochester; grandchildren and their spouses Kелlette Lease and Bob, Rochester, Kristin Wolfe and Paul, Osgood, Kymberly Bausback and Aaron, Greensburg, Jennifer Hellmich and Jim, Pickerington, Ohio, Jason Simpson and Heather, Greensburg, Shelby Sisinger and Samantha Sisinger,

Rochester; great-grandchildren Meghan McLochlin and husband Kyle, Mallory Smith and husband Mike, Lauren Mitchell, Kayleigh Jenkins, Karlee Wolfe, Kate, Abigail and Benjamin Bausback, Morgan, Evan and Adam Hellmich, Kylee and Logan Simpson; great-great-grandchildren Mason and Maddox McLochlin and Hudson and Mosley Smith; and several nieces, nephews and cousins. She also is survived by her stepchildren Beth Von der Lehr Duet, Lori Von der Lehr and John Von der Lehr and their children. She was preceded in death by her husband Robert, her second husband Floyd Swain, brothers Robert and Albert Pollock and sister Tillie Pollock Smith.

A private family graveside service will be conducted by Dr. David Detamore Nov. 7, 2017. Arrangements are by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home. She will be buried at Rochester IOOF cemetery alongside her family members. Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association or the charity of one's choice.

### **Beverly Hapner**

July 19, 1935 – Oct. 18, 2017

Beverly Hapner, 82, Rochester, and formerly of Fulton, passed away at 11:37 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 18, 2017, at Wynnfield Crossing, Rochester.

Beverly was born on July 19, 1935, in Roann, with a servant's heart. She was raised by her mother, Florence Helen Byrt and grandparents Tom and Lizzie Boswell.

She was a devoted helpmate and wife to George Hapner for 64 years. Being an only child, she wanted a large family. She was successful in that endeavor having five children, 15 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren. Her greatest joys and purposes in life were as a wife, mother and grandmother. Her example of love and devotion to God and family is the enduring legacy she passed down to all the generations of the family she touched.

Her servant's heart extended beyond her family as she served by her husband's side as a pastor's wife. Many people were touched by her selfless acts of kindness, hundreds of cards sent and dishes of food prepared.

She is survived by her husband George Hapner, Rochester; children Jill and husband Tim Strasser, Fulton, Jeff and wife Molly Hapner, Chicago, Ill., Jeanna and husband Allen Paschen, Twelve Mile, Jayne and husband Brett Tam, Rochester, and Jack Hapner and friend Heidi Rich, Kokomo; grandchildren Adam and wife Scarlett Strasser, Amber and husband Nick Hinderlinder, Andrew and wife Laneia Strasser, Ryan Paschen and friend Kelsey Danhauser, Crysta and husband Justin Bowyer, Matt and wife Jessica Paschen, Kelly and husband Adam Shidler,

Alicia and husband Ryan Helt, Mitchell Tam, and Helen, Bridget, Sarah, Emma, Molly, and Claire Hapner; great-grandchildren Marley, Delaney, Shayley, Paisley, Ayden, Addison, Violet, Lane, Drew, Darah, Rilyn, Rachel, Henry, Hazel, Annemarie, Maggie, Kate, and Camden; and grandchildren of the heart, Cameron, Quinten, Kaylea, and Blakely.

A memorial service will be at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 28, 2017, at the Fulton United Methodist Church, Fulton. Burial will be at a later date at Fulton Cemetery, Fulton. In lieu of flowers, people may honor her memory by following her example of telling the people they love that they love them and being kind to everyone they meet. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Harold W. Folkerth**

Harold W. Folkerth, 97, Rochester, died Wednesday at Hickory Creek at Rochester.

Survivors include his daughter, Rosemary Bailey, Rochester; and two sons, Mick Folkerth of Miamisburg, Ohio, and Gayle Folkerth, Arizona.

A private family graveside service will be at Palestine Cemetery, Greenville, Ohio. Arrangements are handled by Good Family Funeral Home.

### **Robert E. Knox**

Robert E. Knox, 90, Rochester, died Tuesday at Woodlawn Hospital.

Survivors include two sons, Robert Knox, Zionsville, and Lynn Knox, Indianapolis; and his daughter, Pamela Daulton, Rochester.

A private family service will occur. Arrangements are handled by Good Family Funeral Home.

Monday October 23, 2017

### **Robert E. Knox**

Nov. 14, 1926 – Oct. 17, 2017

Robert E. Knox, 90, of Rochester, passed away at 7:57 a.m. Tuesday, October 17, 2017, at Woodlawn Hospital.

In Lebanon, on Nov. 14, 1926, Robert E. “Bob” Knox was born. He was the treasured son of Harold S. and Mabel Maurine Isenhour Knox. Bob graduated from Zionsville High School in 1944.



After graduation he answered the call of patriotism during WWII and served with the U.S. Navy from 1945-1946 in Guam. He was honorably discharged. Furthering his education, Bob attended International Business College of Fort Wayne where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree.

The Rochester community has been Bob's home for 52 years. As an inspector he worked for Schnelker Engineering of Fort Wayne. He retired from Knapp Construction Company of Rochester. Following his retirement he re-entered the workforce as an Air-Vac representative.

Bob was a member of the American Legion Post No. 36, Fraternal Order of Eagles No. 852 and a 25-year member of the Rochester Lions Club. During his tenure as a Lion, he served as past-president, ramp designer and zone chairman.

To relax, Bob enjoyed a variety of card games and dice. He was a seasoned bingo player and acquired the nick name, "Bingo Bob," for his abilities to nail the win.

Left to cherish Bob's memory are two sons, Robert "Bobby" Knox, of Zionsville, Lynn Knox and husband Richard Norman, of Indianapolis; daughter, Pamela Daulton and husband David, of Rochester; a step-daughter, Angel Skidmore and husband Travis, of Rochester; two grandchildren, Krystle Daulton Hobbs and husband James, of New Castle, and Krystopher Daulton and wife Hillary, of Rochester; three step-grandchildren, Deby Gauthier, Catherine Rhein, Selly Campbell and husband Travis; four step great-grandchildren the Gauthier's Grace, Ben and Seth and Deegan Campbell, the Hobbs grandchildren Hayle and James. Preceding Bob in death are his parents, a brother, James Knox, and the Siamese Missy, his feline companion.

Upon his request, no services will be held. Good Family Funeral Home has been entrusted with the arrangements and caring for his family. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to Bob's family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Tuesday October 24, 2017

**Diane Loeffler**

Diane Loeffler, 55, Rochester, died Monday at Hickory Creek at Rochester. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

Wednesday October 25, 2017

**Diane K. Loeffler**

Diane K. Loeffler, 55, Rochester, died Monday at Hickory Creek at Rochester.

Survivors include two daughters, Laynie M. Rouch, New York, N.Y., and Abigail K. Rouch, Chicago, Ill.; parents Pat and Ivan Henderson, Rochester; and two sisters, Debra S. Bryant, Rochester, and Donna J. Beck, Rochester.

A private family service will occur. Arrangements are handled by Good Family Funeral Home.

Thursday October 26, 2017

**Diane Kay Henderson Loeffler**

Oct. 12, 1962 – Oct. 23, 2017

Diane Kay Henderson Loeffler, 55, Rochester, was surrounded by her loving family when she passed away at 4:27 p.m. Monday, Oct. 23, 2017, at Hickory Creek at Rochester.

On Oct. 12, 1962, Diane was born in Rochester. She was a treasured daughter of Ivan and Patricia Sutton Henderson. Growing up as the youngest of the Henderson sisters, Diane shared her childhood with Debra and Donna.

Proudly, Diane graduated with the Class of 1981 from Rochester High School. While in school, she was an active member of the Lady Zebras' swim team and the flag corps. Later Diane attended Indiana University of South Bend.

Brian Rouch married Diane in 1990. From their union came two beautiful daughters. After time passed, they divorced. In 1998, Diane and Mark Loeffler married in Plymouth.

An avid animal lover, Diane enjoyed the company of her cats. Her favorite place to relax was Florida's Gulf Coast, where the sunshine, surf and sand are plentiful. Paramount in her life was her family. Many memories were made with her daughters, sisters, and mom and dad.

Left to cherish the memory of Diane are two daughters, Laynie M. Rouch, New York, N.Y., and Abigail K. Rouch, Chicago; parents Pat and Ivan Henderson, Rochester; two sisters, Debra S. Bryant and husband Robert, Rochester, and Donna J. Beck, Rochester; nieces and nephews Brooke Towell and husband Chris, Travis Bryant, Deric Beck and wife Darla, Damic Beck and wife Ashley, Danna Beck, and Denay Beck Lease and husband Garrick; 12 great-nieces and great-nephews; and her feline companion, Kitty. Diane was preceded in death by her grandparents and Brian Rouch.

The Henderson family wishes to thank the wonderful staff of Rochester's Hickory Creek for their professional and loving care conveyed to Diane during the past six years while she was with them. Preferred memorials in lieu of flowers may be made to Hickory Creek at Rochester, 340 E. 18th St., Rochester, IN 46975. A private family service honoring Diane's life will be at the Good Family Funeral Home with Chaplain Jason See officiating. Burial will follow in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Ethel V. Hyjek**

Ethel V. Hyjek, 97, died June 15, 2017, in Fair Oaks, Calif. Survivors include two sons, Mark Hyjek and Larry Hyjek; and her brother, Paul Pottenger, Rochester.

Her funeral service is 11 a.m. Friday at Good Family Funeral Home.

### **Freddie G. Miller**

Freddie G. Miller, 82, died Oct. 18, 2017, at home. Survivors include his wife, Linda; his children, Danny Miller, Mexico, Janet Miller, Kokomo, Terry Miller, Texas, Sharon Binkerd, Michigan, and Bill Miller, Kewanna; and his brother, William Miller, Wisconsin.

No service will occur, but a small family gathering was at his residence Saturday.

Friday October 27, 2017

### **Jerry M. Miller**

Oct. 20, 1947 – Oct. 26, 2017

Jerry M. Miller, 70, Warsaw, and formerly of Mentone and Goshen, passed away at 12:35 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 26, 2017, at Mason Health and Rehabilitation Center, Warsaw.

Jerry was born on Oct. 20, 1947, in Fulton County, to Harold L. and Betty Jane (Anderson) Miller. He had worked as a bartender and for Dairy Farm Products of Goshen. Jerry was a 1966 graduate of Mentone High School. He was a member of the Eagles Lodge of Goshen.

Survivors include his sons, Martin W. and wife Maria Miller, Costa Rica, and Nathan A. Miller, Milford; his grandchildren, Christopher, Preston, and Wyatt Miller; his brother, Larry N. and wife Cherikee Miller, Warsaw; his nephew, Ryan

Miller; his aunts, Phyllis Becraft and Sue Grube, Rochester, and Ruthann and husband Paul Reuter, Warsaw; his uncle, Robert Anderson, Anderson; and numerous cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents, Harold and Betty Anderson Miller; and his infant brother, Robert.

A graveside service is noon Saturday, Oct. 28, 2017, at Richland Center Cemetery, located northwest of Rochester, with Pastor Dennis Bollenbacher officiating. Burial is in Richland Center Cemetery, Rochester. Visitation is 10-11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 28, 2017, at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone. Family and friends may share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **E. Louise Hackworth**

E. Louise Hackworth, 86, Belton, Mo., and formerly of Mentone, died Thursday at Beautiful Savior Nursing Home, Belton, Mo. Arrangements are pending at King Memorial Home.

Saturday October 28, 2017

### **E. Louise Hackworth**

E. Louise Hackworth, 86, Raymore, Mo., and formerly of Mentone, died Thursday at Beautiful Savior Nursing Home, Belton, Mo.

Survivors include her daughter, Debra Hunter, Port Huron, Mich.; and her son, Brett Hackworth, Raymore, Mo.

Her funeral service is 3 p.m. Nov. 4, 2017, at King Memorial Home, Mentone. Visitation is 1 p.m. to the time of the service at the funeral home.

### **Carl W. Miller II**

Carl W. Miller II, 70, Rochester, died Friday at home. Survivors include his wife, Fran; a son, Carl W. Miller III; and a daughter, Shannon Brock.

His funeral service is 1 p.m. Wednesday at the Plymouth Church of Jesus Christ, 11181 12th Road, Argos (across from REMC). Visitation is 4-7 p.m. Tuesday at Good Family Funeral Home and one hour prior to the service Wednesday at the church.

Monday October 30, 2017

### **Carl William 'Bill' Miller II**

Aug. 28, 1947 – Oct. 27, 2017

Mr. Carl William “Bill” Miller II was surrounded by his loving family when he passed away at 10:15 a.m. Friday, Oct. 27, 2017, after fighting a valiant battle with cancer.

In Wabash on Aug. 28, 1947, Carl William Miller was born. He was the treasured son of Carl. W. and Helen Marie DuBois Miller. Growing up he shared his childhood with a sister, Sherry, and niece Debbie Clark. Bill graduated in 1966 from Rochester High School, then earned a degree in nursing home administration from Indiana University.

The original Miller’s Nursing Home on the 700 block of Madison Street was founded by Bill’s family in 1954. In 1966 his family built Canterbury Manor Nursing Home, a beautiful modern facility on the west edge of Rochester. After the unexpected death of his father, Bill oversaw the daily operations and built two additional wings, making it a 140bed facility. In 1988, it was sold to Life Care Centers of America.

He was the owner of multiple businesses, but his most cherished experience was operating his family-owned nursing home here in Fulton County and taking care of the local seniors whom he and his family had known all his life.

Bill enjoyed spending time with his family, attending church and working part time after retirement. He worked locally, taking veterans to doctor’s appointments, driving for NAPA Auto Parts and being a security guard at Notre Dame home football games. For pleasure he enjoyed reading his Bible and the poetry of Helen Steiner Rice, fly- and deep-sea fishing and playing the bass guitar. His favorite activities were spending time with his family, attending church and going on vacation travels.

Left to cherish the memory of Bill are his wife, Fran, at home; a son, Carl William “Bill” Miller III and companion April; a daughter, Shannon Brock and fiancé Corey Maples; four grandchildren, Isaac, Ian and Isabella Miller, and Ethan Brock; nieces Debbie Clark and Susie Holse; and nephew Todd Clark. He was preceded in death by his father, Carl, in 1969; his mother, Helen Marie, in 1998; and sister Sherry Holse in 2000.

Bill’s funeral service will be at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 1, 2017, at the Plymouth Church of Jesus Christ, 11181 12th Road, Argos, (across from REMC). The Rev. Olan Howard will officiate. Friends may visit with his family from 4-7 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 31, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, and at the church one hour prior to the service Wednesday.

Memorials honoring Bill's memory may be made to the Fulton County Cancer Fund through the Northern Indiana Community Foundation. Online expressions of sympathy may be made by visiting [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Gordon C. Carlson**

Gordon C. Carlson, 74, Macy, died Saturday at home. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

Tuesday October 31, 2017

### **Gordon C. Carlson**

June 27, 1943 – Oct. 28, 2017

Gordon C. Carlson, 74, Macy, passed away at 10 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 28, 2017, at his residence.

He was born on June 27, 1943, in Rockford, Ill., the son of Gordon William and Violet (Anderson) Carlson.

He served with the United States Air Force during the Vietnam War. Returning to civilian life, he continued his work in the production of dental prosthetics. As a ceramicist, he owned and operated dental prosthetics companies in Colorado, Arizona, and Muncie and for many years owned and operated Artistic Dental in Rochester before his retirement.

Mr. Carlson had attended St. Joseph Catholic Church, Rochester, enjoyed woodworking, golfing, fishing, going to flea markets, shooting and loved to spend time outdoors.

Survivors include his children, Nicole Carlson, Woodland Park, Colo; and Gordon T. and wife Krissy Carlson, Keller, Texas; grandchildren Gordon S. and wife Haley Carlson, Lawton, Okla., and Marleigh Carlson, Keller, Texas; mother Violet Carlson Kavanaugh, Beech Grove; and his longtime companion, W. Chris Waters, Macy. He was preceded in death by his father, Gordon William Carlson.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be at 11 a.m. Friday, Nov. 3, 2017, at St. Edward Catholic Church, 3004 11th St., Rockford, Ill. Friends may call one hour prior to the service Friday at the church. Burial with military graveside services will be at Arlington Memorial Park Cemetery, Rockford, Ill. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

Wednesday November 1, 2017

**Patricia J. 'Pat' Birge**

Nov. 23, 1935 – Oct. 31, 2017

Patricia J. "Pat" Birge, 81, Rochester, passed away at 1:20 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 31, 2017, at Woodbridge Health Campus, Logansport.

She was born on Nov. 23, 1935, the daughter of George Alfred Thomas and Helen (Judkins) Thomas Sage. On Aug. 11, 1956, in Lebanon, she married Euel Birge. He preceded her in death on Sept. 1, 2012.

Mrs. Birge had worked as a qualified medication aide for Hickory Creek for many years and had also worked for Delco Remy in Kokomo. She enjoyed horses, going to Shippshewana to flea markets, collecting elephants, and being with her grandchildren.

Survivors include her children, Kevin Birge, Rochester, Daniel and wife Julie Birge, Kewanna, and Jim Bartley, Frankfort; grandchildren Elisha D. and husband Ryan Prater, Rochester, Rustin Birge, Rochester, Kayla and husband Matthew Hunter, Rochester, Ashley Birge, Kewanna, and Lacey and husband Calvin Holloway, Kewanna; eight great-grandchildren; and brother Ed and wife Joan Thomas, Leiters Ford. She was preceded in death by her brothers, Dick Galvin and Steve Thomas; and sisters Sis Galvin and Judy Heath.

Her funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 3, 2017, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation will be from 4-7 p.m. Thursday and one hour prior to the service Friday at the funeral home. Burial will be in Plainview Cemetery, Colfax. Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

Thursday November 2, 2017

**Patricia Deardorff**

Patricia Deardorff, 86, rural Claypool, and formerly of Akron, died Wednesday at her son's residence near Claypool. Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home.

**Dixie Reed**

Dixie Reed, 81, Rochester, died Wednesday at her daughter's home. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

Friday November 3, 2017

**Patricia A. Deardorff**

Nov. 5, 1930 – Nov. 1, 2017

Patricia A. Deardorff, 86, of rural Claypool and formerly of Akron, passed away at 3:15 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 1, 2017, at her son's residence in rural Claypool.

She was born on Nov. 5, 1930, in Howard County, to Virgil R. and Aliene (Dotson) Hawkins. On Oct. 24, 1948, in Russiaville, she married Roger L. Deardorff. He survives.

Pat was a homemaker. She graduated from Russiaville High School in 1948. She and her husband operated a dairy farm west of Akron until 1986. After selling the farm, they moved east of Akron. They had made their home since 2013 north of Claypool.

She enjoyed antiquing, baking, and gardening. She also enjoyed her time wintering in Sebring, Fla. She always cherished her family.

Surviving along with Pat's husband, Roger, are her sons, Michael and wife Pat Deardorff, Overland Park, Kan., Dr. Kerrick and wife Melanie Deardorff, Claypool, and Kevin and wife Amy Deardorff, Claypool; nine grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, Virgil and Aliene Hawkins; and her sister, Jeaneen Waddell.

Following Pat's wishes, a private family graveside service will occur, with Pastor David Eaton officiating. Burial will be in the Akron Cemetery. Arrangements are handled by Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Akron United Methodist Church and Kosciusko County Hospice. Family and friends may share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

**Dixie Reed**

Dixie Reed, 81, Rochester, died Wednesday at home. Survivors include two daughters, Kim Sheehy, and Brenda Ponto, both of Rochester; and a sister, Linda Montel, Mentone.

Her funeral service is 1 p.m. Monday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 11 a.m. to the time of the service Monday at the funeral home.

Saturday November 4, 2017

**Dixie Reed**

Sept. 30, 1936 – Nov. 1, 2017



Dixie Reed, 81, Rochester, passed away at 8:35 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 1, 2017, at her residence.

In Warsaw, Dixie Linn was born on Sept. 30, 1936. She was a treasured daughter of Merl and Elsie Robbins Linn. Growing up, she shared her childhood as the second oldest of the three Linn sisters. With great Bulldog pride, Dixie graduated from Mentone High School in 1954.

On June 1, 1956, in the Mentone United Methodist Church, Dixie married Jerry J. Reed. They shared nearly 53 years of life's adventures. Sadly, he passed away on Jan. 28, 2009. Their union produce two beautiful daughters, Kim and Brenda. Over the years, the blessings of two more generations were added to the family tree.

As a homemaker, Dixie cherished time with her family. Watching the birds throughout the seasons was intriguing and entertaining. Her favorites, the cardinals, kept her busy filling the feeders while keeping the pesky squirrels at bay. To relax, she enjoyed reading a good romance novel.

As the matriarch of the Reed family, Grandma Dixie was proud to oversee four generations. She was a loving wife, a mother who adored her daughters, and a grandmother who cherished her grandchildren and great-granddaughters. She is remembered by her family as an extraordinary cook. Their favorite dishes were her creamed cabbage and steaming beef and noodles.

Dixie will be lovingly remembered by two daughters, Kim Sheehy, and Brenda Ponto and husband Kurt, all of Rochester; four grandchildren, Megan Bailon and husband Dwayne, Nick Ponto, Alex Sheehy, and Brandon Sheehy; three great-grandchildren, Amelia Ponto, Madeline Bailon, and Sophia Sheehy; sister Linda Montel and husband Roger, Mentone; and several nieces and nephews. Dixie was preceded in death by her parents; husband; son-in-law Timothy Sheehy; and a sister, Donna Romine.

A celebration of the life of Dixie Reed will be at 1 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 6, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Chaplain Jason See will officiate. Friends may visit with the family from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. on Monday at the funeral home. Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Riley's Children's Foundation, 30 S. Meridian St., Suite 200, Indianapolis, IN 46204. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

**Mary Ann Edwards**

Nov. 22, 1928 – Nov. 1, 2017

Mary Ann Edwards, 88, Akron, passed away at 11:32 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 1, 2017, at St. Vincent Kokomo Hospital.

She was born on Nov. 22, 1928, in Walton, to Harland C. and Lottie B. (Burrous) Bowyer. She was married to Ernest Dover Richardson for 26 years. Then she married Glenn W. Edwards, who preceded her in death in 1975.

She was a factory worker and a cook at restaurants and truck stops as well as a homemaker. In years past, she loved to fish and go boating especially in Florida. She always enjoyed cooking for her children.

Survivors include her daughter, Sue and husband Ron Stone, Georgetown; son Danny and wife Linn Richardson, Peru; daughter-in-law Grace Dawalt, Macy; son-in-law Fred Meade, Silver Lake; granddaughters Mindee Turner and Wendy Greene; grandsons Daniel and Ryan Richardson, Jimmy, Jason, and Kyle Stone, Bobby and Danny Dean, and Eddie Pruitt; 13 great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren; and sister Katherine White, Kokomo. She was preceded in death by her parents; her son, Kenneth Richardson; her daughters, Pam Richardson and Martha "Marty" Meade; and her beloved dog, Zoey.

Her funeral service is 11:30 a.m. Monday, Nov. 6, 2017, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron. Burial is at Walton IOOF Cemetery. Visitation is 10-11:30 a.m. Monday, Nov. 6, 2017, at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron. In Mary's memory, people are asked to make a donation to their local animal shelter. Family and friends may share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Sondra J. Geller**

Sondra J. Geller, 74, Rochester, died Friday at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Mishawaka. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

Monday November 6, 2017

### **Eileen Frey**

Sept. 11, 1924 – Nov. 4, 2017

Eileen Frey, 93, surrounded by her family in her home, went to be with her Lord on Saturday, Nov. 4, 2017, at 7:59 p.m.

Eileen was born to her loving parents, the late Gerald and Pearl (Mehaffie) Jones on Sept. 11, 1924, in Cass County. She was raised in Anoka with her sisters, Helen (Walsh), Gwen (Eagan) and brother Bill Jones. She loved sharing childhood

memories of walking to her grandmother's house which always involved stopping by the swimming hole. Growing up in the era of the Great Depression created a resilience and strength in Eileen that was a driving force in how she lived her life to the fullest.

In 1942, Eileen married her high school sweetheart, Ted Frey. Soon after marrying, the two were swept off to a life of military service as Ted was a pilot with the United States Air Force. Eileen was forever proud to share the journeys and the many destinations around the world where they were stationed. Ted and Eileen welcomed their four children, each while stationed on a different Air Force Base. There was no greater joy in Eileen's life than her children Cathy, Debbie, Randy and Donna. The couple was finally able to settle down back at home in the Logansport area in 1963.

Once settled in Logansport, with the kids in school, Eileen took a job at the Cass County Auditor's Office as a Deputy Clerk, an opportunity she loved because she could meet and interact with the community each day. Upon retirement, Eileen served as a Township Board Member of Washington Township for more than 20 years.

Eileen was a proud, long-standing member of the Anoka United Methodist Church having attended there since childhood. She was honored to serve as a member of the Board of Trustees for the Church.

Right up until just 3 weeks ago, Eileen maintained an active social calendar with playing cards with her "Bridge Girls," activities with her beloved Church family, Gospel Music concerts and of course her hair and nail appointments. Throughout the years, Eileen's passion for quilting was shared with her daughters, daughter-in-law and the ladies of the Anoka UM Church.

Eileen loved the holiday seasons, but had a special love for Christmas, even buying Christmas decor year-round. Throughout the years, Eileen obtained an impressive Hummel collection, just one more thing that brought her great joy from day to day.

Eileen was always very supportive of the activities of her children, grandchildren and even her great-grandchildren. Even at 93-years-old, Eileen would never hesitate to ask, "What can I do for you?" – even offering to run errands for others. Her giving heart was the compass of how she would live her life, always putting others first.

Eileen loved to travel, in fact she has traveled to 49 of the 50 states. She was known to have a suitcase packed at all times and was always ready to plan the next

trip. This past summer, Eileen continued her travels with visits to Disney World and to Austin, Texas.

Although Eileen will be dearly missed by her friends and family, her exuberance for living life to the fullest is something that will be cherished by those loved by her. Survivors include two daughters, Debbie Frey, Logansport; Donna (Paul) McGaughey, Rochester; son, Randy (Patti) Frey, Macy; four grandchildren, Tina (Robb) Haworth; Kyle (Ryane) McGaughey; Abigail Frey; Chandler (Julie) Frey; five great-grandchildren, Trae, Tanner, Teagan and Tessa Haworth, and Kennedy McGaughey. She was preceded in death by her husband, Ted Frey, a daughter, Cathy Beth Frey, a brother and two sisters.

A celebration of life is 11 a.m. Thursday in the Anoka United Methodist Church with Pastor David Duke and Pastor Chris Rife officiating. Burial will follow in the Rock Creek Cemetery, Logansport. Visitation is 5-7 p.m. Wednesday in the Gundrum Funeral Home. There will also be visitation 30 minutes prior to the service at the church on Thursday. Memorial contributions may be made to the Anoka United Methodist Church.

### **Sondra J. Geller**

Sondra J. Geller, 74, of Tippecanoe, died Friday at the St. Joseph Medical Center in Mishawaka.

Survivors include her five children, Alissia Geller, Cedar Park, Texas, Yvonne Beller, Selena Johnston, Gilbert Lee, and Leroy "Bud" Geller, all of Rochester.

Her funeral service is 11 a.m. Thursday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Visitation is 4-7 p.m. Wednesday and one hour prior to the service Thursday at the funeral home.

### **Tanna E. Morgan**

Tanna E. (Conrad) Morgan, 64, of North Manchester, died Thursday at Visiting Nurse and Hospice Home, Fort Wayne.

Survivors include her son, Chad Morgan, Rochester; daughters, Jaime Good, Columbia City, Megan Trisler, Fishers, and Tisha Fry, Rochester; brother, Tony Conrad, San Francisco, Calif.; and sister, Gina Lynch, Kennesaw, Ga.

Her funeral service is 11 a.m. Tuesday at Zion Lutheran Church, 113 W. Main St., North Manchester. Calling hours are 2-4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. today at McKee Mortuary, 1401 Indiana 114 West, North Manchester.

**John F. Thomas**

John F. Thomas, 75, of Rochester, died Friday at Woodlawn Hospital. Survivors include his nephews, David Thomas and Robert William, and niece, Tina Russell, all of Rochester.

Services will be announced at a later date. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Barbara J. Smith**

Barbara J. Smith, 87, of Davie, Fla. and formerly of Mentone, died Friday at Covenant Village of Plantation, Fla. She is survived by her daughter Sara Jo Murcia, Davie, Fla.

Her funeral service is 2 p.m. Saturday at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone. Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Friday and 12:30 p.m. to the service time Saturday at the funeral home.

Tuesday November 7, 2017

**Barbara Jean Smith**

Dec. 25, 1929 – Nov. 3, 2017

Barbara Jean Smith, 87, Davie, Fla., and formerly of Mentone, passed away on Friday, Nov. 3, 2017, at Covenant Village of Florida, Plantation, Fla.

Barbara was born on Dec. 25, 1929, the daughter of Charles N. Cooper and Ethel Gaskill Cooper, in Tippecanoe. She graduated from Tippecanoe High School in 1948. As a teenager, she worked with her parents who owned and operated The Telephone Company in Tippecanoe.

Barbara married on Oct. 21, 1950, in Mentone, to Robert C. Smith. He preceded her in death on Oct. 25, 2013.

She worked at Hart, Schaffner & Marx in Rochester, before going to work with her husband at Smith Bros. Diesel. They also proudly owned and operated the Arctic Cat dealership from 1969 to 1978.

They retired in 2000, spending winters in Hollywood Beach, Fla., and later moved to Davie, Fla., in 2011.

Barbara was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary, Mentone Book Club, Moose Lodge, and several snowmobile clubs.

Survivors include her daughter, Sara Jo Smith Murcia and her husband J. Salvador Murcia, Davie, Fla.; grandson Noel Murcia and wife Crystal, great-granddaughter Isabel and great-grandson Gabe, Clayton, N.C.; granddaughter Sally

Murcia Whyte, husband Max and great-grandson Spencer, Davie, Fla.; and granddaughter Elizabeth Murcia Lynch and husband William, Brunswick, Md. She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband, Robert.

Her funeral service is 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 11, 2017, with visitation from 12:30 p.m. to the service time at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone. Burial is in the Mentone Cemetery. Additional visitation is 4-8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 10, 2017, at King Memorial Home, Mentone. Family and friends may share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com)

### **Sondra Jean Geller**

Jan. 9, 1943 – Nov. 3, 2017

Sondra Jean Geller, 74, was surrounded by her loving family when she passed away at 4:25 p.m. Friday, Nov. 3, 2017, at the St. Joseph Regional Medical Center in Mishawaka.

On Jan. 9, 1943, in Rochester, Sondra Jean Mikesell was born. She was the treasured daughter of James and Harriet Lewis Mikesell. Growing up, she shared her childhood with her brother, Larry.

On March 24, 1963, Sondra married Mr. George W. Geller. After many years, they divorced. In the early years, Sondra worked at Topps Manufacturing. Later she was dedicated to Lau Industries for almost four decades. She was also a member of the Eagles Ladies Auxiliary for 33 years.

A lady of perpetual motion and with the heart of the Energizer Bunny, Sondra was always in the thick of things. She took great pride in mowing and manicuring her yard and planting flowers. She looked forward to doing crafts, with Christmas ornaments as her specialty.

To relax, Sondra enjoyed her morning cup of coffee while watching the activities on the beautiful and mighty Tippecanoe River. Of course she had many friends, the domestic backyard birds, squirrels and deer on occasion. They were all well-fed and cared for, many times providing entertainment.

As the proud matriarch, Grandma Sondra took great joy in overseeing four generations. She enjoyed family time, holidays and special family celebrations. Grandma was always ready to challenge the grandkids she truly adored with a variety of board games. As their No. 1 cheerleader, she rarely missed a football or baseball game. Grandma Sondra once traveled to Texas to watch the graduation of her grandson.

Left to cherish the memory of Sondra are five children, Alissia Geller and fiancé Shawn Law, Cedar Park, Texas, Yvonne Beller and husband Doug, Selena

Johnston and husband Scott, Gilbert Lee, and Leroy “Bud” Geller and wife Bonnie Sue, all of Rochester; nine grandchildren, Amy Harris, Nickie Lee, Ashley Geller, Wes Geller, Austin White, Houston White, Jacob “Jake” Dawson, Wes Johnston and Harry Johnston; and 10 great-grandchildren, Tosha Harris, Sarrakka Harris, Jaydon Geller, Alley Calvert, Sienna King, Dane Glick, Nevaeh White, Emma White, Hayden White, and Houston White, with two new editions Daniel White in November 2017 and a new great-granddaughter expected on Jan. 17, 2018. Also surviving are her great-aunt, Evabelle Enyart, Rochester; great-uncle Clyde Lewis and wife Laura, Logansport; niece Dawn Mikesell; and two nephews, Mike Mikesell and Jerry Mikesell. Sondra was preceded in death by her parents and brother Larry J. Mikesell.

A celebration of the life of Sondra Jean Geller will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 9, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. The family will receive friends on Wednesday from 4-7 p.m. and an hour prior to her service on Thursday. Burial will follow in Rochester’s IOOF Cemetery. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to Sondra’s family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Gary L. Sriver**

Gary L. Sriver, 79, Akron, died Sunday at home. Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home.

Wednesday November 8, 2017

### **Gary L. Sriver**

Jan. 23, 1938 – Nov. 5, 2017

Gary L. Sriver, 79, Akron, passed away on Nov. 5, 2017. Gary was born in Rochester on Jan. 23, 1938, to Claudia (Rhodes) and Orville Sriver.

Gary shared his childhood with his younger brother Randy. Gary and Tamara shared a lifelong friendship with Randy and his wife Judy. While Gary was fond of all of his uncles, he shared a special relationship with Bob Rhodes.

Gary married his high school sweetheart, Tamara L. Hand, of Akron, on Feb. 22, 1957. Lamoin Hand, Tammy’s father, was considered a mentor and friend throughout Gary’s life. Gary and Tamara celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary in February 2017.

Gary was an outstanding baseball and track star and a superb basketball player for the Akron Flyers, led by Indiana Hall of Fame coach Phil McCarter. After graduation, Gary earned a B.A. from Manchester College and M.A. at Indiana University in Bloomington.

In 1961, Gary accepted a teaching position at Noblesville Community Schools, where he taught middle school and high school social studies from 1961-1972. In addition, Gary coached freshman football, basketball and varsity track. In 1966, varsity coach Jim Belden recruited Gary to coach freshman football in hopes of building the program. One of the players on Gary's team was country singer Steve Wariner.

In 1972, Gary left teaching and moved back to Rochester and eventually to Akron, spending the rest of his career selling educational films, videos and books for McGraw-Hill, Simon & Schuster, Disney and other companies. He continued doing this until his death. Gary also supplemented his income during many summers painting houses, first in Noblesville, leading a crew consisting of fellow teachers, and later in Rochester with his oldest son and his friend, Brian Jennings.

In 1992, Gary was elected to represent District 2 on the Fulton County Council, serving as president for many of those years. His proudest accomplishment was the county park system that he initiated and passed by the council. Gary also served as the voice for the Rochester Zebras football and basketball teams on WROI for the majority of the 1980s.

Gary was an avid reader and loved suspense fiction along with nonfiction American history books. He also loved sports and was a lifelong fan of the Chicago Cubs, Chicago Bears and NCAA basketball. However, his biggest passion involved outdoor activities. He kept a large garden every year beginning in the late 1950s until his death and delighted in open-air work, including mowing, chopping wood or driving his tractor.

Gary was most proud of his children and grandchildren, including his oldest son, Shawn Sriver (Tanya), Fishers; oldest daughter, Letitia Leininger (William), Akron, and their children, Darby and Liam; youngest son, Joshua Sriver (Christina), Akron, and their children, Ashton and Grayson and twins Carly and Lily; and youngest daughter, Natasha Maser (Scott), Fort Wayne, and their children, Colin and Elianna. He relished spending time with all his children and grandchildren.

Gary's memorial service is 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 11, 2017, with visitation from 9:30 a.m. to the time of the service at Grace United Methodist Church, 201 W. Seventh St., Rochester, with the Rev. Kerry O'Brien officiating. Additional



visitation is 3-8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 10, 2017, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron. Memorial contributions may be made to Fulton County Parks and Recreation or Grace United Methodist Church. Family and friends may share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

Thursday November 9, 2017

**Carol J. Buzbee Phillips**

Feb.8, 1937 – Nov.4, 2017

Carol J. Buzbee Phillips, Peru, born on Feb. 8, 1937, passed away on Nov. 4, 2017, at St. Vincent Hospital in Indianapolis.

Carol was preceded in death by her mother, Vernie Pauline Johnson Madary; father Elmer Leonard Buzbee; and siblings Virginia Buzbee Mettler, Josephine Buzbee Gray, Calvin Buzbee, Margaret Abner Kelley, Vivian Abner Hadaway, Erma Abner Lerma Charles Abner, John Madary, and Margaret Madary Brown; several grandchildren, great-grandchildren and nephews; and a half-sister.

Carol and Zelbert L. Phillips were married on Aug. 23, 1952. The couple was blessed with 10 children. She worked for Lau Industries and retired after 20 years in 2014.

Carol is survived by her husband, Zelbert; siblings Lottie Buzbee Link, Abbotsford, Wis., Shirley Buzbee Short, Grovertown, and Skip Buzbee, North Judson; children Marilyn Phillips, Peru, Debra Lawler and James, Wake Forest, N.C., Nancy McQueen and Bill, Peru, Terry and Becky Phillips, Windfall, Jerry and Mary Phillips, Peru, Jackie Phillips, Coldwater, Mich., Sammie Phillips, Peru, Kevin Phillips, Quincy, Mich., Michael and Linda Phillips, Columbus, and Jon Phillips, Peru; many grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren; nieces, nephews, cousins, friends, neighbors and co-workers; and Little Bit, her beloved dog.

The viewing is Thursday, Nov. 9, 2017, from 4-7 p.m. at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru. Her funeral service will be on Friday, Nov. 10, 2017, at 10 a.m. at the funeral home, with Pastor Bryan Maggart officiating. Graveside service will follow at Mount Hope Cemetery in Peru. Arrangements have been entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home. Family and friends may sign the online guest book at [www.flowersleedyallen.com](http://www.flowersleedyallen.com)

Friday November 10, 2017

## **Warren John Longstreth**

Sept. 7, 1926 – Nov. 9, 2017

Warren John Longstreth, 91, Argos, died on Nov. 9, 2017, at 5:39 a.m. at Pilgrim Manor, Plymouth, where he had been in declining health.

On Sept. 7, 1926, in Mansfield, Ill., he was born to Warren H. Longstreth and Pearl (Kennedy) Longstreth. He had spent most of his life in the Argos community, moving there in 1939. On Nov. 1, 1947, in Argos, he married Martha Grace (Grossman) Longstreth. She preceded him in death on June 28, 1986.

He had worked for Moriarty Buildings and was a foreman at Wicke's Lumber in Argos for the building crew.

He attended Argos High School, but volunteered for the United States Army and entered into service for the country on Feb. 1, 1945. During his service in WWII, he was an electrician. On Dec. 12, 1946, Pfc. Longstreth received his honorable discharge.

He was a member of the James Lowell Corey American Legion Post No. 68, Argos.

Warren is survived by his daughters, Karen S. Alderfer and husband David, Argos, Barbara A. Gulley and husband Ben, Patriot, and Kim E. Longstreth, Fort Wayne; son Gary L. Longstreth, Argos; eight grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; and sister Helen Radebugh and husband Burt, Albuquerque, N.M. He was preceded in death by his parents; wife; and sisters Margaret Arick and Beverly Riddle.

Friends may visit with the family on Sunday, Nov. 12, 2017, from 2-6 p.m. at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos, and one hour prior to the service Monday at the Walnut Church of the Brethren, 5975 19th Road, Argos. His funeral service will be on Monday, Nov. 13, 2017, at 11 a.m. at the church, with the Rev. Robert E. Rice officiating. Burial will follow at the Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos, with the United States Army Honor Guard conducting military honors. Memorial contributions may be made to Walnut Church of the Brethren, 5975 19th Road, Argos, IN 46501.

## **Kathleen M. Bobbitt**

Dec. 15, 1954 – Nov. 6, 2017

Kathleen M. Bobbitt, 62, of Laramie, Wyo., went home to our Heavenly Father on Nov. 6, 2017.

She was born on Dec. 15, 1954, in Logansport to Jim and Margaret White. She married the love of her life Joe Bobbitt on May 25, 1974.

Kathy attended the University of Wyoming and received a Bachelor of Science in accounting. For the past 27 years, Kathy worked for the University of Wyoming financial aid office helping students fund their education.

Her favorite things in life were her family, playing with the grandkids and being in the mountains. Kathy was loved by so many and will be deeply missed by everyone.

She was preceded in death by her father Jim White and mother Margaret White of Kewanna. Kathy will be forever remembered by her loving husband of 43 years, Joe Bobbitt, Laramie, Wyo.; her four daughters, Kristin (Brent) Burkart, Cheyenne, Wyo., Paula (Nate) Vasek, Laramie, Wyo., Kara Bobbitt, Colorado, and Laura (Will) Robbins, Ohio; her seven grandchildren, James, Addi and Sam, Laramie, Wyo., Maddy, Cheyenne, Wyo., and J.P., Eliza and Jacob, Ohio; siblings Bob (Marti) White, Indiana, Ed (Pam) White, Indiana, and Linda (Dale) Menkhaus, South Dakota; and many nieces and nephews.

The vigil will be at 6 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 10, 2017, and a funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 11, 2017, both at St. Paul's Newman Center, with Father Rob Spaulding officiating. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the St. Paul's Newman Center, 1800 E. Grand Ave., Laramie, WY 82070. All donations will go to support families and students in need. Be still and know that I am God – Psalm 46:10 To send condolences or to sign the online guest book, go to [www.montgomerystryker.com](http://www.montgomerystryker.com).

Saturday November 11, 2017

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Monday November 13, 2017

**Phillip Eugene 'Skeet' Weiland**

Feb. 9, 1945 – Nov. 7, 2017

Phillip Eugene "Skeet" Weiland, 72, Fulton, passed away Tuesday, Nov. 7, 2017, at his residence.

Born Feb. 9, 1945, he was the son to the late Raymond and Laura (Marlatt) Weiland. On Aug. 25, 1981, in Logansport, he married Ardys Elaine Madlung. She preceded him in death on June 30, 2013.

Skeet was a retired auto body repairman.

Survivors include four sons, Eric (Amy) Weiland, Rochester, Danny Gaumer, Monticello, Scott Weiland, Hardeeville, S.C., and Mark (Tammy) Weiland, Burnettsville; two stepdaughters, Jody (Mike) Wash, Francesville, and Ardys (Matthew) Messer, Winamac; one brother, Robert Weiland, Madison; and several grandchildren.

Per Skeet's request, there will be no service, but the family will have a gathering at a later date. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Gundrum Funeral Home & Crematory. Family and friends may sign Skeet's guest book and send online condolences at [www.gundrumcares.com](http://www.gundrumcares.com).

### **Elmo L. Drake**

Elmo L. Drake, 76, Leiters Ford, died Friday at Miller's Merry Manor, Culver. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

Tuesday November 14, 2017

### **Elmo L. Drake**

Elmo L. Drake, 76, Leiters Ford, died Friday at Miller's Merry Manor, Culver.

Survivors include his wife, Jane; a daughter, Sandy Dunfee, Leiters Ford; three sisters, Dorothy Archer, Morehead, Ky., Christine Hamm, Morehead, Ky., and Shirley Coige, Wallingford, Ky.; and a brother, Robert Drake, Wallingford, Ky.

His funeral service will be at 7 p.m. Thursday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 3-7 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

### **Donald M. Jones**

Donald M. Jones, 74, Jackson, Ky., and formerly of the Rochester area, died Oct. 10, 2017, at home.

Survivors include his wife, Geneva Jones; three sons, Donald M. Jones Jr., Ronald E. Jones, and David L. Jones; and one brother, Jerry L. Jones.

His funeral service was Oct. 13.

Wednesday November 15, 2017

### **James Richard Zehner**

May 8, 1932 – Nov. 11, 2017

James Richard Zehner, 85, Monterey, passed away on Nov. 11, 2017, at Miller's Merry Manor, Culver.

Jim was born on May 8, 1932, in Pulaski County to August and Anna (Shorter) Zehner. He attended St. Anne Catholic School and then Monterey High School, graduating from there in 1950.

During the summer months, Jim worked at the Culver Military Academy and drove a milk truck for his uncle, Tony Zehner. He bought his first bicycle while in school, getting the money to purchase the bike from Billy (William) Keitzer. To pay him back, Jim mowed Billy's lawn until the bike was paid for in full. When Jim purchased his first car, a 1946 Chevrolet, he again got the money from Billy Keitzer, making payments until the car was paid for in full.

After graduation, Jim went to work at Bendix Corp. in South Bend. He married Delores Loretta Shideler in 1952. Together they raised 7 children: Richard Anthony (Vicki), Bonnie Irene (Tom), Mary Margaret (Bob), Debra Jean, Sharon Ann, Robin Renee (Bob), and Eric Charles.

When Jim's father died, he bought the family business from his mother and worked at the business as well as worked at Bendix until he hurt his back and went on sick leave.

He then was in politics and was the Democrat precinct committeeman for 30 years. Jim then served as Tippecanoe Township trustee for eight years. He was the last trustee to hire the custodians, cooks, teachers and bus drivers. He also paid their salaries. Jim was town marshal for 15 years, being the last to serve as town marshal of Monterey. He was also a school bus driver. Jim was on the county council for 16 years, being president for two years. He was vice chairman of the Democratic Party in Pulaski County for four years and treasurer for four years.

Jim was on the Monterey Volunteer Fire Department for 50 years, serving as fire chief for 15 years. He belonged to the Monterey Lions Club for 25 years and the Knights of Columbus for 20 years. He was a faithful member of St. Anne Catholic Church all his life, serving on the parish council for eight years. He was also a member of the Monterey Club and enjoyed many years of drinking morning coffee with them at the Corner Tavern.

Jim returned to work at Bendix in 1983 and worked there until 1988 when he retired. He then sold the business, Zehner Excavating, to his son, Richard, who changed the name to Zehner & Sons as he had three sons and a daughter. Jim and Delores enjoyed the winter months in Florida for many years.

Jim is survived by his wife, Delores, Monterey; son Richard (Vicki) Zehner, Monterey; daughters Bonnie (Tom) Young, Decatur, Ala., Mary (Bob) Kornock,

Lancaster, Calif., and Robin (Bob) Harden, Wabash; brother Don (Ruth) Zehner, Monterey; sister Mary (Joe) Penska, Winamac; 10 grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents; daughters Debra and Sharon; son Eric; a brother; and a sister.

A time of visitation with the family will be at the Odom Funeral Home on Sunday, Nov. 19, 2017, from 2-8 p.m. with a Spiritual Wake at 7:30 p.m. followed by the Rosary. A Mass of Christian Burial will be on Monday, Nov. 20, 2017, at St. Anne Catholic Church, Monterey, at 11 a.m. with Father Michael McKinney officiating. Burial will follow in St. Anne Catholic Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to St. Anne Catholic Church or the Monterey Volunteer Fire Department in Jim's memory. Condolences may be sent via the obituary page at [www.odomfuneralhome.com](http://www.odomfuneralhome.com). The Odom Funeral Home, Culver, is honored to be caring for the family.

### **John F. Thomas**

A memorial service for John F. Thomas, 75, Rochester, who died Nov. 3, 2017, is during the 10:30 a.m. service Sunday at the Church of the Nazarene, Rochester.

### **Elmo Lee Drake**

Jan. 29, 1941 – Nov. 10, 2017

Mr. Elmo L. Drake, 76, Leiters Ford, passed away at 12:45 p.m. Friday, Nov. 10, 2017, at Miller's Merry Manor, Culver.

On Jan. 29, 1941, Elmo Lee was born in Morehead, Ky. He was a treasured son of William and Zola Roberts Drake. As one of the middle children, growing up, he shared his childhood with seven brothers and five sisters.

In Culver, on April 27, 1963, Elmo married the love of his life and best friend, Jane Messer. They shared 54 years of life's adventures. From their union came two beautiful daughters. The family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of two grandchildren. For many years, Elmo worked in union highway construction, with McMahan-O'Connor then Rieth-Riley.

Each day began with a meeting of the minds and coffee at Culver's Cafe Max. Elmo and buddy Fred Ditmire were regulars, leading the pack with the discussion of local gossip and solving the world's problems. Later in the morning, they returned to the Leiters Ford Tavern to meet up with Fred Day and more friends, solving more problems. A friend of all seasons, Elmo would drive the

Ditmire grain trucks at the harvest or assist with rock picking in the fields in the spring. Elmo enjoyed helping Fred Day with custom applications on area fields.

Living in the Leiters Ford community for more than a half century, Elmo was regarded by many as their mayor. He also earned the title as the “Candy Man,” for the pockets full of Werther’s candy he shared joyously with friends, sweetening their day. A man of impeccable timing, Elmo cruised around town and country blocks on his daily drives. Many times his passage was at a friend’s time of need with a combine being stuck in the field or a dead battery needing jumped. He was a true friend with a servant’s heart.

As the patriarch of the Drake family, Papaw Elmo was proud to oversee three generations. Nothing brought him more joy than the visits of his grandchildren. He listened intently to the stories they told and taught Luke how to golf, a passion they enjoyed together.

A man of perseverance, nothing could stop Elmo. He once survived a terrible car-train accident that left him with paralysis of the left arm. With a positive outlook, he taught himself to golf again, perfecting his style using one hand and being pretty darn good at it. He also enjoyed fishing the Tippecanoe River at the scenic Aubbeenaubbee Landing or at the ponds of his farming friends. Sometimes after catching the limit, he shared with friends or cleaned the fish, hosting a big fish fry for family.

Left to cherish the memory of Elmo with his wife Jane are his daughter, Sandy Dunfee and husband Glenn, Leiters Ford; two grandchildren, Shannon Dunfee and fiance Josh Cichowicz, South Bend, and Luke Dunfee and fiancée Kayla Davis, Indianapolis; three sisters, Dorothy Archer, Morehead, Ky., Christine Hamm, Morehead, Ky., and Shirley Coige and husband Pierre, Wallingford, Ky.; a brother, Robert Drake and wife Penny, Wallingford, Ky.; and numerous nieces and nephews. Elmo was preceded in death by his parents; an infant daughter, Debra Kathleen Drake, on April 27, 1964; two sisters, Dolly and Lorene; and six Drake brothers, John, Roy, Arthur, Chester, Willard and Carl.

A celebration of the life of Elmo Lee Drake will be at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 16, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Pastor Bob Metzger officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 3-7 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 16, 2017. More recently, Elmo became an avid and competitive bingo player at Miller’s; therefore, memorials may be made to the Bingo Fund at Miller’s Merry Manor, 730 School St., Culver, IN 46511. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Thursday November 16, 2017

No Obituaries

Friday November 17, 2017

**Granville D. Hattery**

March 20, 1932 – Nov. 15, 2017

Granville D. Hattery, 85, Rochester, and formerly of Macy, passed away at 10:05 a.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 15, 2017, at WoodBridge Health Campus, Logansport.

Born March 20, 1932, in Union Township, Miami County, he was the son of William Ernest and Gayle (Keim) Hattery. On Sept. 21, 1952, he was married to the former Anita K. “Ann” Warner. She preceded him in death on May 7, 2002. He was then married on June 12, 2004, in Rochester, to Barbara Goss Williams. She survives.

Granville was member of the Mexico Church of the Brethren, where he served as Sunday school class president and formerly as a trustee; he also attended Fulton United Methodist Church. He was a 1950 graduate of Deedsville High School and a lifelong farmer. An active member of his community, Granville was a member of the Lincoln Lodge-Macy and had served on the Allen Township Advisory Board, North Miami School Board, Mexico Elevator Board, and the P.C.A. Board of Miami County.

As an avid sports fan, Granville enjoyed attending North Miami and Caston sporting events and watching basketball, a sport in which he had the opportunity to serve as a referee for several years. He enjoyed Purdue basketball, fishing and dominoes and playing cards in various card clubs.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by one son and daughter-in-law, Jeffrey and Gina Hattery, Macy; three daughters and sons-in-law, Loretta and Gary Halterman, and Lisa and David Halterman, all of Macy, and Krista and Conrad Warder, Peru; one stepson, Gary Williams and wife Beth Anne, Rochester; one stepdaughter, Beth Burton and husband Wendell, Rochester; 21 grandchildren; 31 great-grandchildren; one brother, Max Hattery and wife Sue, Macy; and four sisters-in-law, Delores Hattery, Peru, Nada Miller, Jeffersonville, Rosie Linn, Macy, and Barbara Warner, Peru. One brother, Kenneth E. Hattery, preceded him in death.



His funeral service will be at 1 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 19, 2017, at the Mexico Church of the Brethren, with Pastor Matt Myers officiating. Burial will follow in Greenlawn Cemetery, Mexico. Visitation will be from 3-7 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 18, 2017, at McClain Funeral Home, Denver, and one hour prior to the service on Sunday at the church. Memorial contributions may be made to the Mexico Church of the Brethren, Fulton United Methodist Church, or Greenlawn Cemetery Association.

McClain Funeral Home, Denver, has been entrusted with arrangements. The online guest book may be signed at [www.mcclainfh.com](http://www.mcclainfh.com).

### **Carole Young**

Carole Young, 85, Rochester, died Thursday at the Catherine Kasper Home, Donaldson. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

Saturday November 18, 2017

### **Carole G. Young**

Carole G. Young, 85, died Thursday at the Catherine Kasper Home, Donaldson.

Survivors include her sons, Lance S. Young, Rochester, Shawn F. Young, Pasadena, Md., and Mark S. Dibble, Johns Creek, Ga.; her daughters, Melinda A. Coomes, North Liberty, and Michelle S. Kaylan, Seattle, Wash.; and her sister, Susan Hall, Westfield, Pa.

Her funeral service is 11 a.m. Tuesday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 4-7 p.m. Monday and one hour prior to the service Tuesday at the funeral home.

### **Freeman J. Townsend Sr.**

Freeman J. Townsend Sr., 72, Denver, died Thursday at home.

Survivors include two children, Teresa J. Shilling, Chili, and Freeman J. Townsend Jr., Denver; two brothers, Bill Townsend, Peru, and Shelby Townsend, Peru; and one sister, Nancy Pennie, Mexico.

His funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver. Visitation is 5-8 p.m. Monday and one hour prior to the service on Tuesday at the funeral home.

Monday November 20, 2017

## **Carole G. Young**

April 12, 1932 – Nov. 16, 2017

Mrs. Carole Young, 85, passed away at 3:09 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 16, 2017, at the Catherine Kasper Home of Plymouth.

In Syracuse, N.Y., on April 12, 1932, Carole Grace Potter was born. She was a cherished daughter of Foster Charles and Grace Anne Ackley Potter. During her childhood the Potter family moved to Pennsylvania. In 1950 Carole graduated from Westfield High School in Westfield, Pa.

At Rochester's Presbyterian Church, on Sept. 1, 1967, Carole G. Potter and Harold Edward "Ernie" Young were married. Together they shared nearly 50 years of life's adventures. Over the years, the family tree grew with the added blessings of seven grandchildren.

With a strong work ethic, Carole worked at Hart Schaffner & Marx. The next decade she was dedicated to Moore's Business Forms as a line supervisor. Transitioning to the cafeteria scene, Carole prepared meals for the Rochester High School Zebras.

A woman of great faith, Carole was a member of Rochester's first Christian Church for decades. She was a charter member of the Manitou Moose Lodge Ladies Auxiliary No. 1107 and the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Life-long learners with a passion for reading, Carole and Ernie shared a library collection that surpassed three thousand books. She especially enjoyed reading mysteries and novels. Savoring the humanities, Carole loved attending plays in Chicago with Camelot being memorable. She enjoyed singing and dancing. With a vast appetite for music, she relaxed by listening to many of her favorite singers like Harry Belafonte, Johnny Mathis, Roger Whittaker and many Broadway musical soundtracks.

With a love for adventure, Ernie and Carole enjoyed traveling across the United States. Memorable destinations were Mt. Rushmore, Gettysburg, and San Diego. Together they enjoyed many sunsets over the sparkling waters of Lake Manitou while floating around on their pontoon. Winter brought snowmobiling expeditions on the trails in Pure Michigan. When she was relaxing, always at her side were her treasured canine companions, Mitzi and Butch, the Boston Terriers she adored.

Carole is lovingly remembered by sons, Lance S. Young and wife Becky, Rochester, Shawn Foster Young and wife Jasmin, Pasadena, Md., Mark Samuel Dibble and wife Claire, Johns Creek, Ga.; daughters, Melinda Anne Coomes and husband Thomas, North Liberty, and Michelle Susanne Kaylan and husband

Howard, Seattle, Wash.; seven grandchildren, Tom Coomes, Haley Coomes, Mike Dibble, Shaun Dibble, Jacky Young and husband Eric, and Samantha Shawyer and husband Joshua, and Jacob Young; sister, Susan Hall of Westfield, Pa.; sister-in-law, Judy Taylor of Rochester; and several nieces and nephews. Preceding Carole in death are her parents and her beloved husband Ernie on March 15, 2017, and the Boston Terriers of her heart Mitzi and Butch.

A celebration of the life of Carole Grace Young is at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 21, 2017, in the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Pastor Mike VanHeyningen will officiate services. Friends may visit with her family from 4-7 p.m. today and one hour prior to the service in the funeral home. Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Fulton County Animal Adoption, 1540 Wentzel St. Rochester, IN 46975. Online expressions of sympathy may be expressed to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Betty J. Kulchar**

Feb. 6, 1941 – Nov. 16, 2017

Betty J. Kulchar (nee Cannon), 76, of Hammond, IN, passed away peacefully after a courageous battle with cancer, on Thursday, Nov. 16, 2017. She was surrounded by her family, in a house filled with love. She touched many lives and was loved by all who had the pleasure of meeting her.

Betty was born in DeLong on Feb. 6, 1941, the first child to the late Charles and Dorothy Cannon. She was the oldest of four children.

During high school, she spent her summers working at Culver Military Academy in the laundry department. Upon graduation from Aubbeenaubbee H.S. in Leiters Ford in 1959, she moved to South Bend where she worked at Pittsburgh Plate Glass and in the banking industry.

She met Arlander J. Kulchar Jr. in South Bend, whom she married there in 1963. After leaving South Bend, they lived in Detroit, Mich., Michigan City, and moved to Hammond in 1971.

Betty was part of the Porter's Apparel family, and had worked there between 1974 and 2017 in several different roles, covering everything from laundry and office work, to embroidery and sewing. For a short time, she worked at Steel City Trophy in Merrillville as an embroiderer and was also a postal carrier for a time in Calumet City, Ill.

She was always busy, whether that be with crafts, sewing, working on her house and garden, reading, or treasure-hunting, but would drop everything to go on little adventures with her friends and kids. She enjoyed being a member of the

Northside Bowlerettes for more than 25 years, bowling on “The Cat’s Meow” team, and served as league president for the 2012-13 season.

Betty is survived by her children, son, James A. Kulchar (Mary Caputo) of Carlsbad, Calif.; daughter and son in-law, Julianne M. and Larz Putchaven of Chesterton; granddaughter, Jade Paris Naus of Schererville, who was the joy of her life; step-grandchildren, Levi (Camie) Putchaven, of Kouts, and Gavin and Miles Putchaven of Chesterton; sister and best friend, Laraine (Marshall) Fry of Rochester; sister, Janet (Doug) Harrover of Jacksonville, Fla.; brother, Charles (Nancy) Cannon of Leiters Ford; and many very special best friends, nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, Charles and Dorothy Cannon, and husband, Arlander J. Kulchar Jr.

Betty’s main purpose in life was being an amazing mom, grandmother, sister, and friend. Her children, grandchildren, family, and friends will forever cherish their memories of her. Our gratitude is sent to the wonderful staff at Dunes Hospice, who cared for and guided her during her final journey here on earth. A mass will be held at St. Casimir in Hammond in January, to be followed by a memorial lunch at her home. Family and friends will be contacted once a date and time are confirmed. “This above all: to thine own self be true.” –William Shakespeare

### **Debra K.M. Cornelison**

Sept. 2, 1966 – Nov. 18, 2017

Debra Kay Miller Cornelison, 51, Perrysburg, passed away at 6:50 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 18, 2017, at Dukes Memorial Hospital, Peru.

Born Sept. 2, 1966, in Logansport, she was the daughter of Larry G. and Sonja K. Ople Miller. On Sept. 22, 2003, in Peru, she was married to Claude Russell Cornelison Jr., and he survives.

Debra was a 1985 graduate of North Miami High School. She enjoyed crafts and spending time with her family, especially her granddaughter. She was a lover of cats and loved her feline companion, Polka Dot.

In addition to her husband and parents, she is survived by two children, Megan Ash and husband Lucas, Peru; and Cory Holland, and girlfriend Mary, Mexico; one granddaughter, Paytynn Ash; grandmother, Betty Teel, Rochester; one sister, Gail Lynn Troyer and husband Randy, Peru; and brother, Cody Joe Miller and wife Rynae, Kokomo. Also surviving are many aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and cousins. She was preceded in death by her grandparents, Ralph Ople and Galen and Betty Miller; one nephew, Trevon Patrick Browning; uncles,

Curtis Lynn Miller and Randy Lew Miller; aunt, Rhoda Joyce Miller; and step-grandfather, Joe Teel.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 22, 2017, at McClain Funeral Home, Denver, with Pastor David Noel officiating. Burial will follow in Perrysburg Community Cemetery. Visitation will be from 4-8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 21, 2017, at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made through the funeral home or online at [www.mcclainfh.com/notices/Debra-Cornelison/care-fund](http://www.mcclainfh.com/notices/Debra-Cornelison/care-fund) to assist the family. Condolences may be sent online at [www.mcclainfh.com](http://www.mcclainfh.com).

Tuesday November 21, 2017

### **Margaret R. Vanderheyden**

Margaret R. Vanderheyden, 98, formerly of Rochester, died Monday at Vasona Creek Healthcare Center, Los Gatos, Calif. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

Wednesday November 22, 2017

### **Ramona Irene Dant**

Jan. 20, 1931 – Nov. 12, 2017

Ramona Irene Dant, 86, South Bend, died Sunday, Nov. 12, 2017 at The Hearth at Juday Creek, Granger.

She was born Jan. 20, 1931, in Lexington, to the late Lester E. Amick and Naomi Passwater.

On March 24, 1951, she married Lowell Lester Dant. He preceded her in death in 1993. Also preceding her in death were her sisters, Betty Streeval and Helen Rutherford; and brothers Robert, Dale, William, Harold and Patrick Amick.

Ramona worked many years for Hart, Schaffner & Marx in Rochester. She is survived by a daughter, Les Anne Dant, Terre Haute; son Lester Dant (Tammy), South Bend; and two grandchildren, Bailey and Spencer Dant. She has four siblings surviving: Marvin, Donald, Ervin and Kenny Amick.

Per her wishes, cremation has taken place at the Welsheimer Family Funeral Home Crematory. At this time, a memorial service is pending. Condolences may be made at [www.welsheimers.com](http://www.welsheimers.com).

### **Gertrude A. Hiers**

Gertrude A. Hiers, 87, Mexico, died Monday at home. Survivors include her husband, Melvin; three daughters, Trudi Gibson, Terre Haute, Becky Lutz, Peru, and Kim Deardorff, Rossville; and one sister, Erma Bowyer, Peru.

Her funeral service is 5 p.m. Friday at Peru Church of the Brethren. Visitation is 1-5 p.m. Friday at the church. Arrangements are handled by McClain Funeral Home.

### **Jerry Bradley**

Jerry Bradley, 62, Rochester, died Tuesday at Elkhart Hospice House. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

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### **Jerry D. Bradley**

Jerry D. Bradley, 62, Rochester, died Tuesday at the Elkhart Hospice House. He is survived by his children, Angie Bradley, of South Bend, Khrissy Harcrow, of Tippecanoe, Katie Jo Smith, of Burkett, Jeremy Smith, of Rochester, and Sara E. Smith, of Vermont; sisters, Shirley Hurley, of Goshen, and Kathy Lynn Oswalt, of Tippecanoe; brothers, Floyd "Bud" Bradley Jr., of Rochester, and Thomas Gohn, of Logansport.

His funeral service is 3 p.m. Saturday at Riverview Community Church, 3780 Indiana 110, Tippecanoe. Visitation is noon to the time of the service Saturday at the church. Arrangements are handled by Good Family Funeral Home.

### **Bernard D. Dillard**

Bernard D. Dillard, 94, Wabash, died Thursday at Parkview Wabash Hospital. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Saturday November 25, 2017

### **Wade Conley**

June 20, 1936 – Nov. 23, 2017

Wade Conley, 81, Kewanna, passed away at 3:46 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 23, 2017, at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

He was born on June 20, 1936, in Salyersville, Ky., the son of Bernie and Trinnie Ethel (Cooper) Conley.

Wade worked for the City of Rochester for more than 30 years in different areas, but his love was working for the Parks Department. He enjoyed mowing every day to make sure that when people came to Rochester, they could see how well the town was taken care of. That made him proud. At the age of 81, he still worked every day.

He was a fan of George Jones. He was a member of the VFW, American Legion, and Eagles Lodge. In his spare time, he went to the American Legion to sign in, hoping to win the big payout. Then he went to the VFW in Kewanna to visit everyone, who became more like family than friends.

He went on adventures with three special nephews, Jim Conley, Danny Conley and Terry Conley. They would always take him on trips with them to spend extra time with him. The last trip was to Four Winds Casino, where he would tell the story of winning 59 cents and asking if anyone wanted to borrow some.

He will be missed by all who knew and loved him. For people to treasure the memories of how great and special a man he was, he said, "Remember me with a smile and my black cowboy hat and cigar, and warm smile, because that is how I will remember you."

Survivors include three children, Tammy Brown, Argos, Melody and husband Dan Pine, Kewanna (Bruce Lake), and Joe and wife Cindy Conley, Rochester; daughter-in-law Jane Conley, Akron; grandchildren Heather Pine, Kokomo, Christopher Pine and wife Hillary, Winamac, Alisha Conley, Rochester, Morgan Ribble, Peru, Megan Conley, Akron, and Seth Williams, Argos; one great-grandchild, Willow Ribble; sister June Patrick, Valparaiso; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; one son, Troy Conley; sisters Trixie Puckett, Bessie Enyart and Julia Conley; and brothers Walter, Ross, Russ, Bob, Forrest, Will, Wheeler and Bernie Conley Jr.

A time of visitation will be on Monday, Nov. 27, 2017, from 4-8 p.m. at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

**Margaret Rose VanderHeyden**

Jan. 1, 1919 – Nov. 20, 2017

Margaret Rose Vander-Heyden died on Nov. 20, 2017, at Vasona Creek Healthcare Center, Los Gatos, Calif. She was born in Rochester on Jan. 1, 1919, to La Verne and Ethel Smiley. She graduated from St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing in 1940.

In November 1941, she married Paul J. VanderHeyden of Mishawaka. She was a nurse most of her life, working for Bendix Corp. and RACO Inc. and for a surgeon in Mishawaka. She and Paul had three children, Paula, Terry and Randy. After her husband Paul died young in 1962, she focused on raising the three children. She was proud to have all three graduate from college.

Margaret traveled to France in 2001. She especially enjoyed visiting the Normandy D-Day landing sites. While in France, she also enjoyed visiting the Louvre as she loved art and enjoyed painting.

She also enjoyed walking, reading, especially westerns, and feeding the birds and squirrels in her backyard. She would also drive down to the St. Joseph River to be sure the ducks had plenty of food, and, for a very long time, she fed a stray kitty near the local mall.

In 2008, she moved to California to be near family. She lived in Menlo Park, Calif., and Los Gatos, Calif. There she discovered a park near the bay where she loved to walk, feed the ducks and geese and just sit and enjoy the water.

Survivors include her daughter, Paula and her husband Don; and her son, Randy and his partner Annette. Her son Terry very sadly passed away in 1992. She is also survived by her granddaughters, Sharon and her husband Scot, and Deborah and her husband Ryan; and four great-grandchildren, two in Minnesota and two in San Diego.

Her funeral service will be at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 26, 2017, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Friends may visit from 1-3 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home. Burial will follow at Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Kenneth Bathrick**

Kenneth Bathrick, 83, Rochester, died Friday at Kosciusko Community Hospital. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

### **Linda H. Gross**

Linda H. Gross, 69, Rochester, died Wednesday at home. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.



**Dorothy M. Crissinger**

Jan. 11, 1924 – Nov. 23, 2017

Dorothy M. Crissinger, 93, Rochester, passed away at 4:43 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 23, 2017, at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

She was born on Jan. 11, 1924, in Roanoke, Va., the daughter of Thomas D. and Viola (Stanley) Perdue. On Dec. 24, 1943, in Rochester, she married George H. Crissinger. He preceded her in death on Aug. 11, 2004.

Dorothy was a homemaker who worked part time as a bookkeeper for Gilliland Auto and also at Armours Creamery. She was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church and the American Legion Auxiliary. She enjoyed baking wedding cakes, sewing, knitting, quilting and caring for her flower garden, loved to walk uptown and really loved taking road trips in the country.

Survivors include her granddaughters, Candy Lynn Zartman Piper, Rochester, and Wendy Lea White, Kentucky; three great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren; stepbrother Richard Gilliland, Rochester; sisters-in-law Florence Perdue and Joyce Perdue, both of Rochester; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband, George; parents; a daughter, Linda K. McGlothlin; brothers Dean L. Perdue, Thomas “Sonny” Perdue Jr. and Melvin Perdue; sister Frances Perdue; and stepfather Geiger “Gig” Gilliland.

Her funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 29, 2017, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with Pastor Gail Law officiating. Visitation will be from 4-7 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 28, 2017, and one hour prior to the service on Wednesday at the funeral home. Burial will be at Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester. Memorials may be made to Trinity United Methodist Church. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

Monday November 27, 2017

**Ethel Heltzel Miller**

Oct. 31, 1914 – Nov. 25, 2017

Ethel Heltzel Miller, 103, Logansport, went to be with the Lord on Saturday, Nov. 25, 2017, at Logansport Memorial Hospital.

Born Oct. 31, 1914, in Miami County, Ethel was the daughter of the late Elmer and Lillian (Dawson) Heltzel. She grew up on the family farm outside of Akron.

On Jan. 16, 1946, She was married to Charles W. Miller. He preceded her in death on Dec. 12, 2000.

Ethel was a graduate of Gilead High School and Manchester College. She taught first and second grade in Miami, Fulton and Cass counties for 37 years. She retired in 1975 from Jefferson Elementary School in Logansport. She loved working with children. Professionally, she was a member of the Cass County Retired Teachers Association along with the Indiana and National Retired Teacher associations.

She was also a member of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International – an organization made up of key female educators.

Ethel was a longtime member of the First United Methodist Church where she was active in the New Life Guild. She was also a member of the Royal Center Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star No. 375 and past president of the American Legion Auxiliary. Ethel had also served as a 4-H leader and a Cub Scout den mother. She loved playing cards and was active in two card clubs. Ethel was a die-hard Cubs fan as well as an Indiana Pacers fan.

Surviving are her son, Stephen Miller (Cathy Appleton Walters), Logansport; two grandchildren, Kayla Miller and Carson Miller, both of Royal Center; one sister-in-law, Jeannette Heltzel, Rochester; and several nieces and nephews. In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by seven brothers, William, Marvin, Arthur, Robert, Lester, Gordon and Earl; one sister and brother-in-law, Amy and Frank Sisulak; and sisters-in-law Verna Heltzel and Marjorie (Marlen) Personett.

A funeral service celebrating Ethel's life will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday, Dec. 1, 2017, in Fisher Funeral Chapel, with Pastor Beth Ann Cook officiating. Burial will follow in the Davis Cemetery, near Burnettsville. Friends will be received from 4-7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 30, 2017, at the funeral chapel where an Eastern Star service will be at 6:45 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to the First United Methodist Church. Family and friends may share memories via her guest book and view her tribute video at [www.fisherfuneralchapel.com](http://www.fisherfuneralchapel.com).

### **Linda H. Gross**

Aug. 21, 1948 – Nov. 22, 2017

Linda H. Gross, 69, Rochester, passed away at 5:35 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 22, 2017, at her residence.

She was born on Aug. 21, 1948, in Rensselaer, the daughter of Leland and Ruby Elise (Selby) Wicker. On Dec. 4, 1965, in Rensselaer, she married Carlos Arthur Gross Jr. He preceded her in death on Dec. 19, 1997.

Linda had worked as a transport driver for many years and had been a homemaker. She was a member of the Northern House of Prayer, Rensselaer. She enjoyed going to yard sales, gardening, quilting, cooking and spending time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Survivors include her sons, Rodney and wife April Gross, Rochester, and Timothy and wife Jennifer Gross, Rensselaer; grandchildren Alysse Sweet and companion Kyle Draper, Las Vegas, Nev., Michelle and husband Donald Wallace, Rochester, Rodney Gross Jr. and fiancée Jaide Posey, Fort Wayne, Vickie and husband Jamie Miller, Rochester, Phoenix Gross, Rensselaer, Winter Gross, Indianapolis, Carly Gross, Rensselaer, and Elijah Gross, Rensselaer; 11 great-grandchildren; sister Bobbie and husband Stephen Sellers, Momence, Ill.; brothers Kevin and wife Nancy Wicker, Rochester, and Daniel Wicker, Plymouth; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; brothers Leland Wicker Jr., James Wicker, and Charles David Wicker; sister Rachel Wicker; and fiancé Raymond Lewis.

Her funeral service will be at 1 p.m. Friday, Dec. 1, 2017, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation is from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. Burial will be in Fair Oaks Cemetery, Fair Oaks. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Frances M. Bailey**

Frances M. Bailey, 86, Rochester, died Saturday at Life Care Center of Rochester. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

### **Gerald D. Fields**

Gerald D. Fields, 85, Leiters Ford, died Sunday at home. Arrangements are pending at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home.

### **Bernard D. Dillard**

Bernard D. Dillard, 94, Wabash, and formerly of Rochester, died Thursday at Parkview Wabash Hospital.

Survivors include his wife, Alice; a son, Edward A. Dillard, Wabash; a sister, Norma L. Swanson, South Carolina; and two half-sisters, Kay Richardson, Peru, and Susie.

His funeral service is 11 a.m. Saturday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is one hour prior to the service Saturday at the funeral home.

### **Kenneth F. Bathrick**

Kenneth F. Bathrick, 83, Rochester, died Friday at Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw.

Survivors include his wife, Marlene; a daughter, Carmen J. Paris, Winona Lake; a son, Kerry L. Bathrick, Oak Park, Ill.; five sisters, Karen Gibson, Snohomish, Wash., and Arlene Hounshell, Marilyn Townsend, Carolyn Wagoner, and Gail Hayden, all of Rochester; and a brother, Keith Bathrick, Rochester.

His funeral service is 12:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 4-7 p.m. Tuesday and one hour prior to the service Wednesday at the funeral home.

### **Lauretta Lee Moore**

Feb. 11, 1924 – Nov. 24, 2017

Lauretta Lee Moore, 93, Gilead, passed away at 3:12 p.m. on Nov. 24, 2017, at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Lauretta was born on Feb. 11, 1924, in South Bend, to Lynn L. and Rhea M. (Rager) Landis. She spent all but 23 years of her life on the farm which was the home of her grandparents, Vernon “Vernie” and Flora (Todd) Rager. She graduated from Gilead High School in April of 1943. On May 9, 1945, she married Earl Lester Moore in Fulton.

Lauretta worked at American Fork & Hoe (better known as the Shovel Factory), now known as Sonoco Products, in Akron. She also worked at Playtime Products in Warsaw, was a homemaker and helped Earl with work on the farm.

Survivors include three sons, Gary Lee (Sherri) Moore, Peru, Jerry Eugene Moore (companion Mary Pruitt), Gilead, and Terry Lester (Julie) Moore, Macy; one granddaughter, Amanda (Phil) Spann, Wabash; six grandsons, Adam Moore, Virginia, Brandon (Erica) Moore, Roann, Kevin (Sarah) Moore, Denver, Joshua (Heather) Moore, South Bend, Christopher (Grace) Moore, Peru, and Jordon Moore, Macy; four great-grandchildren, Thomas, Conner, Ainsely and Aubrey; one brother, Leroy (Rose Anna) Landis, North Manchester; one brother-in-law, John Hoover, Warsaw; one sister-in-law, Helen Landis, Warsaw; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Earl Lester Moore, on June 5, 2005; one sister, Loreen A. Hoover, in 2012; and one brother, Lloyd R. Landis, in 2016.

Her funeral service is at 11 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 30, 2017, at Earl-Love Funeral Home, Akron, with Chaplain Jason See officiating. Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 29, 2017, at the funeral home. Burial will be in the Akron IOOF

Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made in care of the Moore family. Online condolences may be sent to [www.earllovedfuneralhome.com](http://www.earllovedfuneralhome.com).

Tuesday November 28, 2017

**Frances M. Bailey**

April 6, 1931 – Nov. 25, 2017

Frances M. Bailey, 86, Rochester, passed away at 3:30 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 25, 2017, in Rochester. She was born on April 6, 1931, in Rochester, the daughter of Lovell and Sophie Mae (Fox) Porter. She was the former wife of James David Bailey Sr.

Frances retired from lab work at Torx, now Acument Global Technologies, Rochester.

Fran enjoyed collecting pottery, antiques and gardening. She loved having coffee with her friends and dearly loved her springer spaniel “Shadow.”

Survivors include her daughter, Edith Kay Hankee, Rochester; grandchildren Benjamin Anthony Bailey, Buffalo, N.Y., Jennifer Collen Hankee, Chicago, Ill., and Jill Christine Hankee, Chicago, Ill.; and brother, Lowell Porter, Peoria, Ariz. She was preceded in death by her parents; son James David Bailey II; grandson James David Bailey III; and brother Bob Porter.

Her funeral service will be announced at a later date. Interment will be in Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester. Arrangements are being handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

**Barry W. Worl**

March 18, 1941 – Nov. 24, 2017

Barry W. Worl, 76, Fremont, passed away peacefully on Friday, Nov. 24, 2017, at St. Vincent Indianapolis Hospital. He was born on March 18, 1941, in Alexandria, Va., to George and Helen (Rans) Worl.

Barry lived most of his life at Clear Lake. He graduated from Kewanna High School in 1959 and from Purdue University in 1963. He later received his master’s degree and specialist degree from Ball State University. He spent much of his professional career as principal and superintendent of Fremont Community Schools. In retirement, he served on the Town Council for the Town of Clear Lake for seven years.

Barry loved Purdue University, and especially spending time with his family, and relaxing on Clear Lake. His hobbies included gardening, traveling, following the Indianapolis Colts, going to the movies and theater and reading books.

Survivors include his wife, Karen (Whiteman-Rice) Worl; daughters Kelli (Chris) Baker and Kathi (Tony) Forte; and son Scott (Andrea) Worl. Barry will also be fondly remembered by his grandchildren, Ryan, Ian, Alexa, Tyler, Cohen and Bradley; and step grandchildren Jackson and Annabel. He is also survived by a brother, Bill (Linda) Worl; and a sister, Cheryl (Chet) Bartkavage. He was preceded in death by his parents; and his former wife, Melinda G. (Hurley) Worl.

Calling hours will be from 5-8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 1, 2017, at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont, and also one hour prior to the service on Saturday at the funeral home. His funeral service will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 2, 2017, at Beams Funeral Home, with the Rev. Jon Bruney officiating. Burial will follow the service at Covenant Cemetery, Fremont. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be sent to Fremont Dollars for Scholars, P.O. Box 665, Fremont, IN 46737. Condolences may be sent online to [www.beamsfuneralhome.com](http://www.beamsfuneralhome.com).

### **James Allen Laycock**

Jan. 24, 1936 – Nov. 25, 2017

James Allen Laycock, 81, rural Roann, died at 4:38 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 25, 2017, at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. He was born Jan. 24, 1936, in Gas City, to Wilford and Delpha (Tremaine) Laycock.

Jim married Carolyn Sue Kelsey in Fort Wayne on July 14, 1961; she died Sept. 5, 2002. He was a lifelong farmer and raised cattle for more than 70 years. He enjoyed going to livestock sale barns and thoroughly loved spending time with his family.

He is survived by his five children, Jamie (Cynthia) Laycock, Macy, Jeffrey (Lori “Bugs”) Laycock and Terri (Jim) Dale, both of Peru, Justin (Jodi) Laycock, Wabash, and Ann Voght, Phoenix, Ariz.; four siblings, Philip Laycock, Wabash, Paul (Carole) Laycock, Hamilton, Ohio, Jannette Sturckow, San Diego, Calif., and Judy Triplett, Colorado Springs, Colo.; 18 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren. Along with his wife, he was also preceded in death by his parents; his brother, John Laycock; his sister, Phyllis Brown; and his half-sister, Linda VanDalson.

His funeral service is 10 a.m. Friday, Dec. 1, 2017, at Grandstaff-Hentgen Roann Chapel, 335 S. Chippewa St., with Pastor Brad Eckerley officiating. Burial

will be in Roann Community Cemetery. Friends may call 4-8 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home. The memorial guest book for Jim may be signed at [www.grandstaff-hentgen.com](http://www.grandstaff-hentgen.com).

### **Kenneth Fay Bathrick**

April 29, 1934 – Nov. 24, 2017

Kenneth Fay Bathrick, 83, Rochester, went home to be with the Lord at 5:52 a.m. Friday, Nov. 24, 2017, at Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw.

Ken was born in Muskegon, Mich., on April 29, 1934. He was the oldest of nine children born to Fay Jasper and Mildred Elizabeth Grossenbacher Bathrick. In September 1948, the Bathrick family moved from Muskegon to Rochester as one of 17 families to establish Sealed Power Corp.

Ken graduated from Rochester High School with the Class of 1952 then started working at Sealed Power. He was called to serve two years in the U.S. Army and served 16 months in Korea as an engineer. When he was discharged, he married Marlene Reed on Dec. 6, 1958, and returned to Sealed Power.

The extended Bathrick family – including Ken's father, Fay, Ken's brother, Gordon, and Ken's son, Kerry – collectively contributed to many years of experience at the company in both Muskegon and Rochester. Ken worked at Sealed Power for 44 years, the last 20 as plant and maintenance engineer, retiring shortly before their buyout. For several years, Ken and Marlene also owned Ken's Sharpening and Power Tool Repair.

Kenny and Marlene shared nearly 59 years of life's adventures and had two children, Carmen and Kerry. Soon after their marriage, they bought their first boat and enjoyed boating their entire lives. They often fished on Lake Michigan, and also camped as a family in their Starcraft cabin cruiser on trips to Kentucky Lake, along the St. Lawrence Seaway, on the Muskegon River, and many other waterways. As they outgrew camping on the boat, they progressed to camping with RVs and traveled to nearly all of the 48 mainland states, continuing into their retirement.

One of their first retirement projects was buying and remodeling a property at Lake of the Woods in Bremen. Since 1999, they wintered in Okeechobee, Fla., where they enjoyed fishing and visits from family members and friends. In his retirement, Kenny began woodcarving and especially enjoyed humorous figurines and was a member of a local carving club.

While Ken was known for his hard work, attention to detail and willingness to help others, he was probably best known for his beautiful 1931 Model A Ford

Coupe. He purchased it after graduation from high school and drove it until the early 1970s, when he stored it for a future project. In 2000, he began painstakingly restoring it from the frame up, using parts from his daughter's wrecked Mustang. He and Marlene enjoyed taking the restored Model A to parades as well as car shows and won many awards over the years. The Model A was only one example of Ken's craftsmanship and ingenuity. His family, friends and neighbors all relied on him regularly to repair nearly anything or to recommend practical solutions to solve mechanical or electrical problems. In his retirement years, he also drew upon special inspiration to create thoughtful heirloom pieces and toys for his grandchildren.

Kenny was actively involved in churches throughout his life. He and Marlene helped to build Hillcrest Baptist Church, attended Talma Bible Church for several years, and have been members of Riverview Community Church since its start. They also regularly attended Oakview Baptist Church while wintering in Okeechobee, Fla.

Left to cherish the memory of Kenny are his wife, Marlene; a daughter, Carmen J. Paris and husband Randy, Winona Lake; a son, Kerry L. Bathrick and wife Anna, Oak Park, Ill., four grandchildren, Madelyn and Landon Paris, and Elaina Bathrick and Jack Kenneth Bathrick; a brother, Keith Bathrick and wife Carolyn, Rochester; five sisters, Karen Gibson and husband Dan, Snohomish, Wash., and Arlene Hounshell, Marilyn Townsend, Carolyn Wagoner and husband Jim, and Gail Hayden and husband Mark, all of Rochester; and a brother-in-law, Bill Adams, Rochester. Many treasured nieces and nephews also survive, along with four beloved sisters of Marlene and their husbands. Ken was preceded in death by his parents; his in-laws Howard and Lucy Reed; a sister, Ardith Adams; a brother, Gordon Bathrick and wife Diane; and brother-in-law Dee Hounshell.

A celebration of the life of Kenneth Fay Bathrick will be at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 29, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Pastor Rod Ruberg will officiate. Friends may visit with the family from 4-7 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 28, 2017, and one hour prior to the service Wednesday at the funeral home. Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Riverview Community Church, 3780 State Road 110, Tippecanoe, IN 46570. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Wednesday November 29, 2017



## **Gerald D. Fields**

May 13, 1932 – Nov. 26, 2017

Gerald D. Fields, 85, Leiters Ford, passed away peacefully at 5:30 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 26, 2017, at his residence surrounded by family.

Born on May 13, 1932, in South Bend, he was the son of the late Josh and Dottie (Cowen) Fields. He graduated from Aubbeenaubbee High School. Gerald was a U.S. Air Force veteran and retired from the Indiana State Highway Department after 30 years where he worked as area supervisor.

On Sept. 16, 1962, he married Phyllis E. Shirey. She preceded him in death on Feb. 1, 2000.

He enjoyed farming and especially growing pumpkins for his grandchildren and neighborhood friends. Gerald also enjoyed cooking, where he spent years working to perfect his fudge recipe, and photography, with a natural eye for getting the perfect picture.

Survivors include his daughter, Christina Stayback (Larry), Angola; son Timothy Fields, Leiters Ford; and grandchildren Andrew Stayback (Jackie), Louisville, Ky., Brad Stayback, Indianapolis, and Ryan Stayback (Taylor), Lafayette. He was also preceded in death by his sister, Violet Gooley; and brothers Ermal Fields and Robert Fields.

Visitation is from 10-11 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 30, 2017, at Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel. His service will be private. Burial will be at Leiters Ford IOOF Cemetery with military rites performed. Memorial contributions may be made to Center for Hospice Care or the Purdue cancer research fund. Friends may sign the online guest book or leave a condolence for the Fields family at [www.ransfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com).

## **Wayne Harvey Hill**

Aug. 17, 1939 – Nov. 23, 2017

Wayne Harvey Hill, 78, Denver, passed away at 2:58 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 23, 2017, at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

Born Aug. 17, 1939, in Lycoming County, Pa., he was the son of Grover Carl and Kathryn Eunice Brown Hill. On May 13, 1961, in Germany, he was married to Monika Elisabeth Schork. She survives.

He served his country in both the United States Army and the United States Air Force. He retired from Delco Electronics in Kokomo as supervisor.

In addition to his wife, Monika Hill, Denver; he is survived by two children, Sandra LaFerney and husband Al, Rochester, and Jeffery Hill, Denver; grandchildren Melissa Neumann and husband Adam, Kokomo, and Cierra Hill, Wayne Hill and Ali Dress, all of Peru; two great-grandchildren, Elizabeth and Tyler Siddall; and two brothers, Marlin (Carol) Hill, Pennsylvania, and Grover (Kathy) Hill, Colorado. He was preceded in death by his parents; one son, DeWayne Hill; and one grandchild.

His funeral service will be at 3 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 30, 2017, at McClain Funeral Home, Denver, with Chaplain Jason See officiating. Burial will follow in Westlawn Cemetery, Denver, with military rites being presented by the Miami County Military Rites Unit. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service on Thursday at the funeral home. Condolences may be left for the family online at [www.mcclainfh.com](http://www.mcclainfh.com).

### **Bernard D. Dillard**

Nov. 14, 1923 – Nov. 23, 2017

Mr. Bernard D. Dillard, 94, Wabash, and formerly of Rochester, passed away at 10:37 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 23, 2017, at Parkview Wabash Hospital.

On Nov. 14, 1923, Bernard Dean Dillard was born in Logansport. He spent his life in Cass, Fulton, Marshall, LaPorte and Wabash counties. Bernard attended Fulton High School.

Bernard and Alice Marie Ringle were married in 1941. Their union was blessed with four children. The family tree continued to grow over the years with the added blessings of three more generations.

Mr. Dillard died standing on the promises of God the Father and Jesus Christ the Son and of the Holy Spirit. His prayer was that all reading this notice will do the same. Amen.

Left to cherish the memory of Bernard are his wife, Alice; a son, Edward Allen Dillard and wife Sharon, Wabash; a sister, Norma Lee Swanson, South Carolina; and half-sisters Kay Richardson, Peru, and Susie. He was also blessed by numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren and loyal and loving nieces, nephews and cousins. His bonds with friends lasted entire lifetimes. Bernard was preceded in death by his parents; a daughter, Carol Ann Cobb; two sons, Kenneth Randell Dillard and Darrell Dee Dillard; three half sisters, Patricia Waters, Alline Shropshire and Rosalie Cunningham; half-brother

Robert Alspach; and his cherished canine companion, “Corky,” the apricot-colored teacup poodle.

A celebration of the life of Bernard D. Dillard will be at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 2, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Friends may visit with his family one hour prior to the service Saturday at the funeral home. Pastor Curt Jones will officiate the service. Bernard will be laid to eternal rest in the Fulton Cemetery at a later date. Online expressions of sympathy may be left for his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Thursday November 30, 2017

**Karen L. Coby**

Karen L. Coby, 74, Rochester, died Wednesday at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Mishawaka. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

**James S. Hicks**

James S. Hicks, 74, Rochester, died Wednesday at home. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

Friday December 1, 2017

**Karen L. Coby**

June 15, 1943 – Nov. 29, 2017

Karen L. Coby, 74, Rochester, passed away at 11:02 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 29, 2017, at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Mishawaka.

She was born on June 15, 1943, in Plymouth, the daughter of Kenneth and Mary Belle (Osborn) Kemble. On Jan. 14, 1967, in Rochester, she married Jay A. Coby. He survives.

Mrs. Coby retired from First Federal Savings Bank. She had been a member of the VFW Auxiliary in Culver and Burton Richland Center United Methodist Church and part of the Chain Gang at the Akron Public Library. In her spare time, she enjoyed knitting, crocheting, visiting Indiana State Parks, fishing and watercolor painting, and after retiring, liked traveling.

Survivors include her husband, Jay L. Coby, Rochester; son John Coby and significant other Oneida Fehring, Elgin, Ill.; sisters Mary Ann and husband Jim Rowe, Culver, and Judy and husband Daryl Fisher, Plymouth; brother Rodney

Kemple, Logansport; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents and sister Cindy Geiger.

Her funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Monday, Dec. 4, 2017, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Friends may visit from 2-5 p.m. Sunday and one hour prior to the service Monday at the funeral home. Burial will be in the Culver Masonic Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Burton Richland Center United Methodist Church or the American Cancer Society. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

Saturday December 2, 2017

### **Sara Whittenberger Pistoia**

June 11, 1936 – Nov. 29, 2017

Sara Whittenberger Pistoia, 81, Oceanside, Calif., passed away at 9:55 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 29, 2017, in Carlsbad, Calif.

She was born on June 11, 1936, in Rochester, to John and Freda Ann Leavell Whittenberger. On March 25, 1961, in Yuma, Ariz., she married Norman Knapp Pistoia. He preceded her in death on Sept. 12, 2016.

Sara was a teacher, retiring from the Capistrano Unified School District in California. She had a master's degree in education and was honored as Teacher of the Year in 1993.

She enjoyed travel, bowling, watching baseball live and on television, sewing and spending time with family and her five grandchildren. Sara attended New Song Community Church in Oceanside, Calif.

Survivors include her son, Michael Pistoia and wife Sara, Sutter Creek, Calif.; her daughter, Megan and husband Grant Hunner, Dana Point, Calif.; five grandchildren, Nick and Tony Pistoia and Riley, Hailey and Lacey Hunner; and three siblings, Nancy (Tom) Rose, Rockford, Ill., Steve (Joyce) Whittenberger, Hartwell, Ga., and Sandra (Bud) Francis, Watkins Glen, N.Y. In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by her mother in 1984 and her father in 1988.

Her funeral service is Jan. 6, 2018, at New Song Community Church, 3985 Mission Avenue, Oceanside, Calif. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the American Lung Association or Hospice of the North Coast, Carlsbad, Calif.

### **Ethel L. Coplen**

Ethel L. Coplen, 90, Plymouth, died Monday at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Mishawaka.

Survivors include her husband, Walter Coplen, Plymouth; her daughters, Jennifer Maze, Sun Lakes, Ariz., and Amy Hurd, Warsaw; and her brother, Russell Menzie Sr., Logansport.

Her funeral service is 11 a.m. Wednesday at Argos United Methodist Church, 570 N. Michigan St. Visitation is 3-6 p.m. Tuesday at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos.

### **Robert ‘Spud’ Remy**

Feb. 27, 1927 – Nov. 25, 2017

Robert “Spud” Remy, Toledo, Ohio, passed away Saturday, Nov. 25, 2017, at Ebeid Hospice, Sylvania, Ohio.

Spud was born on Feb. 27, 1927, in Milford, the son of Harold and Maxine Remy. He grew up in Rochester, where his father was a Kroger manager for 30 years. Spud graduated from Rochester High School in 1945 and has always been “Spud” since playing that character in a school play at RHS.

After serving in the U.S. Navy as a “radio man” aboard the ammunition ship, USS Sangay, Spud took advantage of the GI Bill and attended Manchester College and the University of Tampa and graduated from the University of New Mexico, where he learned how to spell Albuquerque (oops?).

He retired from Chrysler Corporation in 1987 after 30 years of industrial engineering assignments at Kokomo and New Castle and with the Powertrain group staff in Detroit and as the industrial engineering supervisor at the Toledo Machining Plant in Ohio.

Spud enjoyed woodworking, fly-fishing and many wonderful adventures with his wife, Gloria, while traveling to England, most of Europe, Alaska, Panama, Africa, Canada and South America. Oh, what a wonderful life it has been – and it was her fault. Spud was a member of the Toledo Zoo, a life member of the Toledo Area Metroparks and served on the Wildwood Metroparks V.I.P. Board of Volunteers in Parks, where he was involved in several fundraising activities.

Spud is survived by his glorious wife, Gloria, Toledo; and his niece, Lorna Moor, Angola. His sister, Wanda, preceded him in death in 1997.

A graveside service will be in spring at IOOF Cemetery in Rochester. Memorial contributions may be made to the Toledo Zoo or Toledo Area Metroparks.

**Ron Martin**

Ron Martin, 81, McAllen, Texas, and formerly of Akron, died Friday. Arrangements are pending.

Monday December 4, 2017

**Clyde D. Williams**

Dec. 16, 1964 – Dec. 1, 2017

Clyde David Williams Jr., 52, Peru, was called home by God on Friday, December 1, 2017, at St. Vincent Hospital, Indianapolis, surrounded by his loved ones. Born Dec. 16, 1964, in Beckley, W.Va., he was the son of Clyde Williams, and the former Carolyn Sue Akemon.

David worked for many years in the healthcare profession, working as a CNA and a home health care aid. He was a Christian and attended the Church of God.

He is survived by his two sisters, Penny Sue Archer, and Anna G. Williams, both of Peru; special aunt and uncle, Shirley and Bill Coahran, Macy; nephews, Tre von Archer, and D'Andre S. Williams, both of Peru; niece, Tiana Archer, Peru; his mother's longtime companion, Thomas Prentis Kelsor Jr., Peru; and many other aunts, uncles, cousins, and many close and special friends, who were a large part of his life for many years. He also leaves behind his special canine companion, Chaos. He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Billy Charles Williams, who passed away on May 8, 1980.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 6, 2017, at McClain Funeral Home, Denver, with Pastor Darlene DeHaai officiating. Burial will follow in Plainview Cemetery, Macy. Visitation will be from 4-7 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made through the funeral home for a fund to be established to purchase a headstone. McClain Funeral Home, Denver, has been entrusted with arrangements. Condolences may be sent online at [www.mcclainfh.com](http://www.mcclainfh.com).

Tuesday December 5, 2017

**Declan Lee Harris-Roeder**

Dec. 3, 2017

Infant Declan Lee Harris-Roeder passed away at 8:20 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 3, 2017, at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

He was born on Dec. 3, 2017, in Rochester, the son of Christian Harris-Roeder and Sydney Piper.

Survivors include his parents, Akron; brother Dreyden Harris-Roeder, Akron; grandparents Emily and Eric Piper, Rochester, Yvonne Billington, Lansing, Mich., and David and Africa Roeder, South Bend; great-grandparents Richard and Cozetta Piper, Rochester, Linda Leeth, North Manchester, David and Benita Roeder, South Bend, Geraldine Woodward, South Bend, and Jim Harris, Michigan City; and several aunts and uncles.

No service is scheduled. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **James S. Hicks**

James S. Hicks, 74, Rochester, died Wednesday at home.

Survivors include his wife, Jana; four daughters, Suzette Hicks-Mitchell, Chicago, Chiquita Hicks-Avent, North Carolina, Faye Hicks, Georgia, and Angela Hicks-Harvey, Gary; three sons, Samuel Hicks, Las Vegas, Nev., Adam Hicks, Rochester, and Nathaniel Hicks, Rochester; and two brothers, William Hicks, Chicago, and Jesse Hicks, Chicago.

His funeral service is 2 p.m. Wednesday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 1 p.m. to the time of the service Wednesday at the funeral home.

### **Phillip F. Surface**

Phillip F. Surface, 80, Mentone, died Sunday at Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw.

Survivors include his wife, Beverly Surface, Mentone; his daughters, Sharon Kindig, Mentone, Laurie Carlin, Mentone, and Teresa Jones, Clinton, N.Y.; his sisters, Alice Keirn, Warsaw, Linda Sims, Honey Grove, Texas, and Markee Adams, Mesa, Ariz.; and his brother, Paul Surface, Akron.

His funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Friday at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone. Visitation is 3-7 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

### **Robert Vardaman Sr.**

Robert Vardaman Sr., 77, Rochester, died Sunday at home. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

**Connie C. Burkhart**

Connie C. Burkhart, 64, Amboy, died Monday at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. Arrangements are pending at King Memorial Home.

Wednesday December 6, 2017

**Kathleen Kay Plantz King**

Oct. 14, 1950 – Dec. 4, 2017

Kathleen Kay Plantz King, 67, Twelve Mile, passed away on Monday, Dec. 4, 2017, in her residence surrounded by family.

Born on Oct. 14, 1950, in Rochester, she was the daughter of the late Robert and Alyce (Sheane) Plantz.

On March 22, 1970, in the Fulton Baptist Temple, she married Arthur L. King. He survives.

Kathleen was a homemaker. She was a 1968 graduate of Kewanna High School, a 10-year Fulton County 4-H member and a 25-year 4-H club leader. She enjoyed cooking, quilting and spending time with her grandchildren.

Surviving along with her husband, Arthur, are two daughters, Karin (Rob Berger) King, Michigan City, and Debra (Karl) Galey, Lawrenceburg; two sons, Steven A. King, Twelve Mile, and Michael (Jennifer Willis) King, St. John; five grandchildren, Kaylan, Alyson and Maegan Galey, and Gaven and Bennett King; siblings Fred Plantz, Susan Sheane and Karen Field; and several nieces, nephews and cousins. She was preceded in death by a brother, Don Plantz; one nephew, Danny Scales; and her father-in-law, Lyman King.

A gathering of family and friends will be on Sunday, Dec. 10, 2017, in the Metea Baptist Church from 1-3 p.m. Burial will be at a later date in the Fulton Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Metea Baptist Church. The King family has entrusted Gundrum Funeral Home and Crematory with arrangements. Family and friends may sign the guest book and send online condolences at [www.gundrumcares.com](http://www.gundrumcares.com).

**Mallory B. Cameron**

Jan. 31, 1987 – Dec. 1, 2017

Mallory B. Cameron, 30, Rochester, and formerly of Logansport, passed away Friday, Dec. 1, 2017, in Rochester. Born Jan. 31, 1987, in Logansport, she was the daughter of Donald and Jody Parker Cameron. They survive, residing in Rochester.



Mallory attended Landis, Franklin, Columbia and Lincoln schools in Logansport. She also attended Rochester Middle School and was a 2005 graduate of Rochester High School. At Columbia school in Logansport, she was on the speech and debate team, specializing in humorous interpretation.

Mallory was Fulton County 4-H Fair Queen and the 2003 Indiana State Fair “Miss Congeniality.” She was also high school homecoming “Powder Puff Champion,” a humorous award that didn’t really exist. She was known as a lifelong cheerleader. She then attended Indiana University, Bloomington, graduating with a degree in communications.

Mallory was a proud member of Zeta Tau Alpha sorority at IU. Later she volunteered at the Muncie Animal Shelter and loved golden retrievers.

Mallory was a serious music aficionado and enjoyed music from the 1970s to the present and was always discovering new bands. She loved watersports and hiking in Colorado.

Mallory was a true free spirit and a very warm-hearted person. She could light up a room as soon as she walked in, with her beautiful smile and that infectious trademark laugh. She held the position of seminar marketing for her father’s financial business.

In addition to her parents, she is survived by a brother, Shane Cameron, Fishers; maternal grandparents Suzanne Parker and Larry Parker; aunts and uncles Diane and Richard Franklin, Brenda and John Field, Missy and John Shively, Cathi and Paul Roy, Celia and Shannon Jones, and Jane and Harold Anthrop; and several cousins. She was preceded in death by her paternal grandparents Betty and Lewis Cameron; and aunt Jenny Bauman.

Visitation will be from 3-8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 8, 2017, at Kroeger Funeral Home, Logansport. Private interment for family only will be in the Mount Hope Cemetery. Mallory’s friends are invited to a Celebration of Life beginning at 1 p.m. on Sunday at Amelio’s, 431 S. Fifth Street, Logansport. Memorial contributions may be made to a local Humane Society or organization caring for animals. Family and friends may leave a memory or message of condolence by visiting the online obituary at [www.kroegerfuneralhome.com](http://www.kroegerfuneralhome.com). Arrangements and care are handled by Kroeger Funeral and Cremation Service.

**Robert Vardaman Sr.**

July 6, 1940 – Dec. 3, 2017

Mr. Robert Vardaman Sr., 77, Rochester, passed away at 5:12 a.m. on Sunday, Dec. 3, 2017, at his residence.

On July 6, 1940, in La Porte, Robert was born to Jerry and Mildred Hatfield Vardaman. Answering the call of patriotism, Robert joined the U.S. Marine Corps. As a private first class, he was honorably discharged in 1960.

Robert and Pauline E. Brooks were married on Oct. 14, 1960, in Michigan City. Their union of 57 years produced a daughter and three sons. Sadly, Pauline passed away on Oct. 9, 2017.

As a plant manager, Robert worked for Versatile Tool and Die of Elkhart for many years. He was a member of the American Legion. Enjoying video games and working outside were great ways for him to relax.

Robert is lovingly remembered by a daughter, Carla Reynolds and husband Kenneth, Rochester; two sons, Robert Vardaman Jr. and companion Judy, Michigan City, and Jerry A. Vardaman and companion Ashley, Indianapolis; four grandchildren, Donald Lee Christensen Jr., Ronald Eugene Vardaman Jr., Emily Ann Burkholder, and Hunter Andrew Wyatt Vardaman; brother Jim Vardaman, La Porte; and several nieces and nephews. Robert was preceded in death by his parents; wife; and a son, Ronald Eugene Vardaman Sr.

A private family service was in the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Interment will be in the Sand Hill Cemetery. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Dona S. Johnson**

Feb. 13, 1965 – Dec. 4, 2017

Dona S. Johnson, 52, Bringhurst, died unexpectedly in an auto accident on Monday, Dec. 4, 2017, in Cass County on her way to work.

Dona was born in Lafayette to Gary and Pat Ginn Wilson on Feb. 13, 1965. On Sept. 25, 1999, she married Robin Johnson in Orlando, Fla. He survives. Dona and Robin met in Elkhart, and their story started.

Dona worked at Woodlawn Hospital in Rochester as the sleep lab coordinator for the past eight years. Prior to that, she worked at Community Howard Regional Health hospital in Kokomo.

She graduated from Oak Hill High School and attended Ball State University. Growing up, Dona attended Converse Church of Christ. When she was able, she attended church along with her family at Oakbrook Church in Kokomo. One of Dona's favorite sayings was "Live, Laugh, Love."

Dona is survived by her husband, Robin; three sons, Brock (Isabela) Gasser, Bringhurst, Brandon (fiancee Rachelle Erwin) Gasser, Delphi, and Josh Johnson, at home; parents Gary and Pat Wilson, Cutler; two sisters, Kristen (Donald) Mason,

Fort Wayne, and Jenifer (Travis) Collier, Flora; five grandchildren, Mareli, Josue, Aziyah, Isabella and Elliana; and several nieces and nephews.

Dona's family invites friends to visit Friday, Dec. 8, 2017, from 3-7 p.m. at New Hope Church, 687 E. 50 North, Flora. A celebration of Dona Johnson's life will begin at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 9, 2017, at the church. Burial will follow at Maple Lawn Cemetery. Memorial donations made to T.B. Dog Rescue Corp., c/o Industrial Federal Credit Union, 1115 Sagamore Parkway South, Lafayette, IN 47905. For online condolences, visit [www.wheelerfamilyfuneralhome.com](http://www.wheelerfamilyfuneralhome.com) or on the funeral home's Facebook page. Wheeler Family Funeral Home is honored to be serving the Johnson family.

### **Connie C. Burkhart**

May 28, 1953 – Dec. 4, 2017

Connie C. Burkhart, 64, Amboy, passed away at 12:46 p.m. Monday, Dec. 4, 2017, at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne, after being in failing health for the last 16 months. She was born on May 28, 1953, in Rochester, to Sidney and Phyllis (Bowser) Alber.

She married her husband of 41 years, Roy L. Burkhart, on April 17, 1976, in the Talma United Methodist Church.

She had been a store clerk working in retail at the Amboy Market. Connie was a 1971 graduate of Mentone High School. She was a member of the Converse United Methodist Church for more than 30 years. She had a deep love for her family, community and church.

Survivors include her husband, Roy Burkhart, Amboy; daughters April Berry, Warsaw, and Michelle and husband Jeff Puckett, Mentone; son Matthew and wife Becky Burkhart, Wabash; five grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and brothers Tom and wife Sandy Alber, Woodburn, and Randy and wife Kristy Alber, Rochester. She was preceded in death by her parents, Sidney and Phyllis Alber.

Her funeral service is noon Saturday, Dec. 9, 2017, with visitation from 10 a.m. until the service time at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone. Pastor David Steinke will officiate her service. Burial will be in Mentone Cemetery. Additional visitation is 3-6 p.m. Friday, Dec. 8, 2017, at the Converse United Methodist Church, 109 E. Wabash St. Memorial contributions may be made to Converse United Methodist Church. Family and friends may share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Elsie K. Delaplane**

Elsie K. Delaplane, 92, Kansas City, Mo., and formerly of Twelve Mile, died Nov. 5, 2017, at Avonlea Care Home, Kansas City, Mo.

Survivors include her son, Paul H. Beedle, Anoka, Minn.; and her daughter, Ruth E. Beedle, Platte Woods, Mo.

Her memorial service is 10 a.m. Saturday at Mexico Church of the Brethren. Visitation is 9 a.m. to the time of the service Saturday at the church. Arrangements are handled by McClain Funeral Home.

Thursday December 7, 2017

### **Hal Morris Hammel**

July 25, 1917 – Dec. 6, 2017

Hal Morris Hammel, 100, Rochester, passed away at 3:15 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 6, 2017, at Life Care Center of Rochester.

He was born on July 25, 1917, to William Henry and Lura Leona (Logan) Hammel in Elkhart. A few years later, the family moved to a 40-acre farm west of Warsaw, along the Tippecanoe River. Hal learned about hard work and the rewards from it from helping with gardening, raising chickens and transforming young ducks into cash while attending school at Harrison Center Grade School and Atwood High School. He played school sports and served as class president to quickly learn leadership.

In the early 1940s, he married Pauline Erny, who was the mother of Hal's sons, William Hal and Jon Melvin, and daughter Loretta Ann. Pauline preceded Hal in death in 1960. In 1961, Hal married Lois E. Hale; and later another son, Michael D. Hammel, was born.

After graduating from high school in 1935, he worked at the Dalton Foundry in Warsaw and showed excellence in work skills. Later he worked for the Erie Lackawanna Railway, moved to Rochester and gained skills that allowed him a 27-year career completed as signal maintenance foreman from Huntington west to Chicago, Ill.

In 1963, sensing that the railroad was in financial difficulty, he took a leave of absence and originated a Chrysler Plymouth auto dealership that later encompassed GMC and still later Dodge and Jeep products. His vision was aimed at providing any service the buyer might need including rentals, leases and body shop work. Hammel Motors served Rochester for 35 years until 1998 when he was 80 years old. He had enjoyed having his family work with him for varying lengths

of time. It grieved him to sell out his life's work, but the move allowed him several years with less responsibility to enjoy his family and spend winters in Sebring, Fla.

During his years in Rochester, Hal was very active at the First Christian Church, serving in many capacities. He was a longtime member of the Kiwanis Club, having served as club president, and was on the Board of Directors for Woodlawn Hospital during the time the current Woodlawn Hospital was planned. In spite of some community concern about the hospital location and the need for such an expenditure, the Woodlawn Board decision led to a better future for Rochester's medical care. He also was a 75-year member of the Masonic Lodge.

Survivors include his wife, Lois E. Hammel, Rochester; three sons, William Hal Hammel, Rochester, Jon Melvin and wife Teresa Hammel, Rochester, and Michael David Hammel, Rochester; daughter Loretta Ann and husband Tom Blessing, Syracuse; nine grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

His funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Monday, Dec. 11, 2017, at the First Christian Church, Rochester. Friends may visit from 2-6 p.m. Sunday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, and one hour prior to the service Monday at the church. Masonic services will be conducted at 6 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home. Burial will be in Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester. Memorial contributions may be made to the First Christian Church or the Masonic Lodge. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

Friday December 8, 2017

### **Phyllis M. Gearhart**

Phyllis M. Gearhart, 89, Akron, died Thursday at home. Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home.

### **Glenn R. Smith**

Sept. 5, 1946 – Dec. 6, 2017

Glenn R. Smith, 71, Tippecanoe, passed away Wednesday, Dec. 6, 2017, at Catherine Kasper Life Center, Donaldson.

Glenn was born Sept. 5, 1946, in Muncie, the son of Royce W. Smith and Catherine P. Smith. He and his wife attended Grace Fellowship Church in Tippecanoe.

Glenn retired from NISCO of Bremen as a supervisor. On Aug. 30, 1986, he married Donna Peterson. She survives along with several grandchildren, step-

grandchildren, great-grandchildren and step great-grandchildren. He will be greatly missed by all. He was preceded in death by his parents; daughter Dawn Ewing; and his brother.

Glenn served in the United States Army in the Vietnam War and also served in the Desert Storm conflict. He retired from the United States Army after serving nearly 26 years.

He enjoyed watching movies, working outside and making Christmas lights. Glenn was Santa Claus at Tippecanoe, the Moose Lodge and at Doctor's Hospital of Bremen.

No service is planned at this time. Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home is privileged to be entrusted with arranging the services. Condolences may be left at [deatonclemensfh.com](http://deatonclemensfh.com).

Saturday December 9, 2017

### **Delia Anne Keene**

June 18, 1926 – Dec. 7, 2017

Delia Anne Keene, 91, Tippecanoe, passed away at 8:25 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 7, 2017, at Life Care Center of Rochester.

On June 18, 1926, Delia was born in Barron, Wis., to Edwin Clark and Pearl Evangeline Edwards Hall. Delia and Glen Keene were married on July 25, 1944, at the First Christian Church of Rochester. They shared 46 years of life's adventures. Sadly, Glen passed away in 1990. Their union produced two beautiful daughters and three handsome sons. Three more generations have been added to the family tree.

As a farmer's wife, Delia assisted with the daily chores of the home and the farm. For 25 years, she worked at Uniroyal. She was also a cashier at the dime store in Warsaw and a caregiver for the elderly. Her memberships included the Tippecanoe Methodist Church, the Good Sam Club and the Tippecanoe Fireman's Auxiliary. She enjoyed crocheting afghans, embroidering pillows and sewing clothing for her family and friends. Sitting down with a good book was a great way to relax. Her favorite authors were Danielle Steel and Debbie Macomber.

Delia is lovingly remembered by two daughters, Becky Hisey and husband Robert, Rochester, and Patricia Honeycutt and husband Royd, Tippecanoe; three sons, Robert Keene, Rochester, Michael Keene and wife Kimberly, New Orleans, La., and Steven Keene and wife Cindy, Warsaw; 13 grandchildren, Angela Cali and husband Tony, Timothy Hisey, Chad Hisey and wife Cari, Jackie Wyatt and

husband Mark, Randy Keene and wife Sarah, Rodney Honeycutt and wife Raelynne, Jeremy Honeycutt and wife Pam, Kristie Keene, Katelin Keene, Steven Keene and wife Kristi, Matthew Keene and wife Carrissa, Cheyenne Keene, and Kendra Keene; nine great-grandchildren, Guidry Hisey, Ian Cali, Noah Cali, Jameson Wyatt, Jazzen Wyatt, Madelyn Honeycutt, Morgan Honeycutt, Colton Honeycutt, and Emily Honeycutt; two great-great-grandchildren, Hayden Honeycutt and Kilynn Keene; two sisters, Nora McMillen, Macomb, Mich., and Joyce Hensley, Tippecanoe; and several nieces and nephews. Delia was preceded in death by her husband, Glen; parents; and daughter in- law Alberta Keene.

A celebration of the life of Delia Keene will be at 11 a.m. on Monday, Dec. 11, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Matthew Fretz officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 2-5 p.m. on Sunday and one hour prior to the service at the funeral home on Monday. Interment will be in the Tippecanoe Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 225 North Michigan Ave., Floor 17, Chicago, IL 60601-7633. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **Howard Burns**

Howard Burns, 65, Rochester, died Friday at home. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

Monday December 11, 2017

### **Howard 'Joe' Burns**

April 23, 1952 – Dec. 8, 2017

Howard "Joe" Burns, 65, Rochester, passed away at 12:45 p.m. Friday, Dec. 8, 2017, at his residence.

He was born on April 23, 1952, in Gary, the son of Howard A. and Evelyn (Edington) Burns. On August 9, 1975, in Crown Point, he married Cindy Burger Utley. She survives.

Mr. Burns had worked for the Erie Lackawanna Railroad for 10 years and also the City of Crown Point. He retired as a well-driller, having operated Crown Point Well and Pump.

He had been a member of the Eagles Lodge, American Legion Auxiliary, Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary and Moose Lodge and a lifetime member of

the NRA. In his spare time, he enjoyed NASCAR and collecting guns and was a big fan of the Three Stooges and “The Andy Griffith Show.”

Survivors include his children, Brandy Burns, Lowell, and Tara and husband Brian Bright, Lowell; grandchildren Brian Bright, Sharon Bright, Bobby Bright, Linda Burns, Nick Burns, and Luke Montgomery, all of Lowell; mother Evelyn Burns, Rochester; sisters Dianne and husband Earl Roe, Rochester, Darlene Houser and husband Rod Runyan, DeMotte, and Patty and husband Joe Brady, Rochester; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father; brother-in-law Ben Houser; and uncle “Beanie” Burns.

His memorial service will be at 6 p.m. Monday, Dec. 11, 2017, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Friends may visit from 3-6 p.m. Monday at the funeral home. Burial will be at a later date at Athens Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Joe Burns Memorial Fund. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Phyllis Gearhart**

Feb. 1, 1928 – Dec. 7, 2017

Phyllis Gearhart, 89, Akron, went to be with her Lord on Thursday, Dec. 7, 2017, surrounded by those she held most dear. She was born on Feb. 1, 1928, in Warsaw, to Victor and Ellen Cook. She grew up with 10 brothers and sisters. The family continued to meet and eat together as a family as often as they could for many years.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Victor and Ellen Cook; four sisters, Marolyn, Frances, Jeanne, and Donna; and three brothers, John, Joe, and Bob. Left to carry on the Cook family honor are her sisters, Judy (Frank) Swick and Karolyn (Eddie) Barrus, and brother Norman (Muriel) Cook, who will miss her immensely.

She was a 1946 graduate of Warsaw High School. She then attended Taylor University, graduated from Huntington College with a bachelor’s degree, and received her master’s degree from St. Francis.

Phyllis was known for the many lives she touched throughout her 36 years of teaching. While her early years were spent teaching in Huntington, she was fondly remembered for her many projects such as saltwater maps, chicken hatchings, piñatas, and Halloween masks for the many children she taught in third grade at Akron Elementary.



Phyllis left a strong legacy behind with those that survive. The Lord was good to her when He blessed her with three beautiful daughters: Lynne (Larry) Kline, Janice (James) Saner, and Patti (Robert) Newman.

Her porch on the Fourth of July would be filled with her family that included her 10 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren, as well as friends of the family. Her presence for the annual reading of the birth of Christ on Christmas Eve will be greatly missed, as well as for all the days to follow.

She was faithful to the Lord and was a living witness of grace and love. She never met a stranger and her presence in any room could brighten up anyone's day. She had a zest for life and was thankful for every blessing God gave to her. She was known, on many occasions, to offer this advice to anyone feeling down or upset: "Put your lipstick on and go on."

In honor of her spunk and tenacity, the family asks that people "Put their lipstick on" and come to a celebration of her life that will be on Sunday, Dec. 17, 2017, at Akron Elementary School. Visitation will be from 1-3:30 p.m., followed by a Remembrance Service at 3:30 p.m. Memorial donations in her honor may be made to the Phyllis Gearhart Teacher Scholarship held in trust at Teachers Credit Union or the Nick Patterson Memorial Fund held at the Northern Indiana Community Foundation.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron. Family and friends may share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **Denise C. Bendel**

Denise C. Bendel, 53, Rochester, died Sunday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

### **Evelyn M. Braman**

Evelyn M. Braman, 92, Rochester, died Sunday. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

Tuesday December 12, 2017

### **Ellen S. Denney**

Ellen S. Denney, 72, Plymouth, died Sunday at Miller's Merry Manor, Plymouth.

Survivors include her sister, Margie Mewszel, Plymouth; and her brother, Bruce McCoige, Pekin, Ill.

Her funeral service is 1 p.m. Thursday at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos. Visitation is 4-7 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

### **Evelyn M. Braman**

Evelyn M. Braman, 92, Rochester, died Sunday at Life Care Center of Rochester.

Survivors include two daughters, Judy Taylor, Plymouth, and Pat Rathbun, Akron; three sons, Bill Braman, St. Augustine Beach, Fla., Phil Braman, Warsaw, and John Braman, Hamden, Conn.; a sister, Marilyn Masterson, Rochester; and a brother, Fredrick Van Duyne, Rochester.

Her funeral service is 10 a.m. Saturday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 4-7 p.m. Friday and 9 a.m. to the time of the funeral Saturday at the funeral home.

### **Carolyn R. Knauff**

Carolyn R. Knauff, 78, Denver, died Sunday at home.

Survivors include her husband, Harry E. Knauff Jr.; six children, Justin Knauff, Denver, Elvin Knauff, Denver, Carrie Knauff, Denver, Florence Tigler, Wabash, Vincent Knauff, Peru, and Anthony Knauff, Denver; three sisters, Eclista Birner, Peru, Doris Harshman, Peru, and Helen Alexander, Denver; and two brothers, Delmar Mongosa, Macy, and Truman J. Mongosa, Macy.

A graveside service is 2:30 p.m. Wednesday at Westlawn Cemetery, Denver. Arrangements are handled by McClain Funeral Home.

Wednesday December 13, 2017

### **Arlie 'Wayne' Reffitt**

April 12, 1957 – Dec. 11, 2017

Arlie "Wayne" Reffitt, 60, Silver Lake, passed away Monday, Dec. 11, 2017, at 10:40 a.m. in his residence.

He was born April 12, 1957, in Prestonsburg, Ky., to Joe Wheeler and Josephine (Adams) Reffitt. He was united in marriage to Richelle Miller on June 14, 1986, in Warsaw.

A Kentucky resident for two years, he moved to Indiana and resided in the Claypool area for 58 years. He was employed as a polisher beginning with Whimet and Hand Industries, eventually moving to DePuy and attaining 20 years of service there.

A hard worker and very loving husband and a good father, he enjoyed spending time with his family. He was an avid hunter and raised beagles and other animals. He loved going to church and serving the Lord and was member of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Kosciusko County.

Wayne left behind many good memories for friends and family, all the while knowing he will be reunited with them again in Heaven. He will be missed, but if we keep holding on to the Lord, we are confident we will be with him again someday.

Survivors include his wife, Richelle Reffitt, Silver Lake; sisters JoAnn Bradley, Warsaw, and Kim (spouse Kelly) Schneider, Bremen; son Blade Miller Reffitt; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Vickie Reffitt.

A funeral service will be Saturday, Dec. 16, 2017, in the First Free Will Baptist Church at 11 a.m. with Pastor Terry Bradford, Wedstel Shepherd and Luther Bailey officiating. Visitation hours are scheduled from 2-7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 15, 2017, at the church. A service will follow at 7 p.m. Friday with family and friends. Interment will be in Sycamore Cemetery, Fulton County. McHatton-Sadler Funeral Chapel, Warsaw, is entrusted with arrangements. Memorial contributions may be made to the First Free Will Baptist Church Children's Fund, 58 W. 700 S., Claypool, IN 46510. To sign the guest register or leave condolences electronically, go to [mchattonsadlerfuneralchapels.com](http://mchattonsadlerfuneralchapels.com).

### **Joyce E. Wright**

Joyce E. Wright, 67, Argos, died Tuesday at home.

Survivors include her sons, Chad A. Wright, Argos, and Timothy W. Wright, Plymouth; and a brother, Jerry Mullins, Weatherford, Texas.

Her funeral service is noon Friday at the Church of Jesus Christ, 15676 Michigan Road, Argos. Visitation is 10 a.m. to the time of the service Friday at the church. Arrangements are handled by Earl-Grossman Funeral Home.

Thursday December 14, 2017

### **Evelyn Marie Braman**

Sept. 28, 1925 – Dec. 10, 2017

Evelyn Marie Braman, 92, Rochester, was surrounded by her loving family when she passed away at 11:20 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 10, 2017, at Life Care Center of Rochester.

On Sept. 28, 1925, Evelyn Marie Van Duyne was born in Fulton County. She was a treasured daughter of Fred K. and Mildred Fultz Van Duyne. Growing up, she shared her childhood with a sister, Marilyn, and brother Fredrick.

A member of 4-H for a decade, during her high school years, the birth of the Jersey triplets was memorable. In 1943, Evelyn graduated from Rochester High School.

In the First Presbyterian Church of Rochester, on Nov. 23, 1946, Mr. Calvin Braman and Evelyn were married. They shared 58 years of life's adventures. From their union came three daughters and three sons. The family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of ten grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

During the early years, Evelyn worked for the Chester White Association. Later as a full-time homemaker, she began raising her family. She returned to the workforce as secretary for the Fulton County Drainage Board. Most will remember Evelyn from her days in the courthouse serving Fulton County as treasurer.

As a devoted member of the Community Presbyterian Church for more than 70 years, Evelyn served her church in a variety of ways, including as a deacon and elder. She also held memberships with the Nyona/South Mud Lake Association and the Green Oak Club and was a 4-H leader for the Woodrow Peppers for many years. She was a past president of the Fulton County Republicans Club.

Left to cherish the memory of Evelyn are two daughters, Judy Taylor and husband Russ, Plymouth, and Pat Rathbun and husband Cam, Akron; three sons, Bill Braman and wife Georgina, St. Augustine Beach, Fla., Phil Braman and wife Monica, Warsaw, and John Braman, Hamden, Conn.; 10 grandchildren, Andrea Bortell, Matthew Braman, Christopher Braman, Tom Braman, Rhen Taylor, Gail Crone, Heather Buckley, Derek Adamson, Clayton Adamson, and Katie Braman Green; eight great-grandchildren, Kevin Braman, Elise Bortell, Brenna Bortell, Natalie Crone, Liam Buckley, Brock Adamson, Parker Adamson, and Kinze Adamson; a sister, Marilyn Masterson and husband Randy, Rochester; a brother, Fredrick Van Duyne, Rochester; and numerous nieces and nephews. Evelyn was preceded in death by her parents; beloved husband Calvin on May 21, 2004; daughter Sherri Adamson, Jan. 7, 2013; a brother, Dean Arthur, at the age of 2; and two sisters-in-law, Marjorie Phillips and Dorcas Van Duyne.

A celebration of the life of Evelyn Braman will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 16, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Pastor William Kleymann officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 4-7 p.m. on Friday and one hour prior to the service Saturday at the funeral home. Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Memorials may be made to

Community Presbyterian Church, 530 Jefferson St., Rochester, IN 46975.  
Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at  
[www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

**Michael W. Croussore**

Michael W. Croussore, 66, Rochester, died Wednesday at Logansport Memorial Hospital. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

Friday December 15, 2017

**John Crull**

John Crull, 61, Rochester, died Thursday at home. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

Saturday December 16, 2017

**Michael W. Croussore**

Michael W. Croussore, 66, Rochester, died Wednesday at Logansport Memorial Hospital.

Survivors include his wife, Cindy, His funeral service is 10 a.m. Dec. 23, 2017, at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 4-7 p.m. Friday and 9 a.m. to the time of the service Dec. 23, 2017, at the funeral home.

**John W. Crull**

John W. Crull, 61, Rochester, died Thursday at home.

Survivors include his wife, Deb Crull; his sister, Angel Crull, Rochester; and a brother, Nathan Crull, Rochester.

His funeral service is 6 p.m. Tuesday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 3 p.m. to the time of the service Tuesday at the funeral home.

**Denise C. Bendel**

Denise C. Bendel, 53, Rochester, died Sunday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Survivors include her mother, Joan Bendel, Winamac; two daughters, Carissa Bendel, La Porte, and Saryna Schoff, Logansport; a sister, Diana M. Shannon, Winamac; and two brothers, William E. Bendel, Avon, and Brian K. Bendel, Winamac.

Her funeral service is 6 p.m. Thursday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 4 p.m. to the time of the service Thursday at the funeral home.

**Rosemary J. Ege-Flenner**

Rosemary J. Ege-Flenner, 83, North Manchester, and formerly of Gilead, died Friday at Autumn Ridge Rehabilitation Centre, Wabash. Arrangements are pending at Hartzler Funeral Home.

**John Ramsey Sr.**

John Ramsey Sr., 78, Akron, died Friday at home. Arrangements are pending at Earl-Love Funeral Home.

Monday December 18, 2017

**Rosemary J. Ege-Flenner**

Sept. 16, 1934 – Dec. 15, 2017

Rosemary J. Ege Flenner, 83, North Manchester and formerly of Gilead, passed away at 1:15 p.m. Friday, Dec. 15, 2017, at Autumn Ridge Rehabilitation Centre of Wabash.

She was born Sept. 16, 1934, in Muncie, to Gerald B. and Betty Louise (Clanin) Boggess. On Sept. 21, 1952, at the Gilead United Methodist Church, she married Kenneth W. Ege. He preceded her in death on June 3, 1996. She then married Galen Richard Flenner on Dec. 20, 1997, at the North Manchester First Brethren Church. He preceded her in death on July 5, 2003.

Rosemary repaired timers and was the union representative for Eaton (Singer) Controls of North Manchester for more than 25 years. She was a 1952 graduate of Gilead High School. She was a member of the Women of the Moose of Rochester and the Perry-Do-Rites Home Ec Club. She enjoyed euchre, dancing and all kinds of music. She also, in earlier years, enjoyed roller skating and singing at weddings which included her own. She was a big Willie Nelson fan.

She is survived by her son, Leland and wife Pam Ege, Akron; daughters, Sheila and husband Kevin Fitzpatrick, North Manchester, Sharon and husband David Pararo, Lilburn, Ga., Sandra Ege and Randy Ingle, Warsaw; five grandchildren, Zachary, Chad, Matthew, Kenneth, and Lauren; three great-grandchildren, Oliver, Mavis, and Eliza; and her sister, JoAnn Mehring, O'Fallon,

Miss. She was preceded in death by her parents, husbands Kenneth and Galen, and sister Janet Louise Mitchell.

Her funeral services is 11 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 19, 2017, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron. Visitation is 4-7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 18, 2017 at the funeral home. Burial will be at Gilead Cemetery, Gilead. Memorial contributions may be made to COPD Foundation, 3300 Ponce De Leon Blvd, Miami, Fla., 33134, or at [www.copdfoundation.org](http://www.copdfoundation.org). Family and friends may share a memory or send an online condolence at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

### **John William Ramsey Sr.**

Sept. 26, 1939 – Dec. 15, 2017

John William Ramsey Sr., 78, of rural Akron, passed away at 9:25 a.m. Friday, Dec. 15, 2017, at his residence.

He was born Sept. 26, 1939, in rural Fulton County, to Verlin and Mabel (Hartzler) Ramsey. On Feb. 24, 1958, in Akron, he was married to Midge (Jernigan) Ramsey, who preceded him in death on March 31, 2009. Their wedding was officiated by Rev. Harold Conrad at the Akron Church of God.

John has lived in the Akron area all his life and graduated from Akron High School in 1957. He was the owner/operator of O& R Buildings Inc. since 1965 and was still active in day-to-day operations. He was a farmer and construction worker. He enjoyed watching college basketball on TV. Some of his favorite sports teams were the Boston Celtics, Green Bay Packers and whoever played against Notre Dame.

He is survived by four children, Deborah Ramsey, John W. Ramsey Jr. (Penny) Ramsey, Verlin (Beverly) Ramsey, Mark (Nancy) Ramsey, all of Akron; brother, Charles "Chuck" Ramsey (and special friend Dixie Arter) of Fort Wayne; seven grandchildren, Angela (Ryan) Parson, of Akron, Kent (Kelli) Ramsey, of Akron, Shawna (Nick) Stutzman, of Fort Wayne, Verlin (Crystal) Ramsey, of Fort Wayne, Daniel (Meghan) Ramsey, of Pierceton, Adam Ramsey (and fiancée Taylor Peterson), of Akron, Tabby Ramsey, of Indianapolis; one step-grandson, Travis (Aylssa) Ramsey, of Rochester; 15 great-grandchildren and one to be born in January. He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Midge, his sister Eloise Hoehn, his brother Jim Ramsey and step-granddaughter Amanda Ramsey.

His funeral service, officiated by Pastor David Eaton of the Akron United Methodist Church, is 10 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 20, 2017 at Earl-Love Funeral Home, Akron. Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 19, 2017, at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Akron IOOF Cemetery, Akron. Memorial contributions may be made to Kindred Hospice at Kindred Healthcare, 1476 W. 18th Street, Rochester, IN 46975. Online condolences may be sent to [www.earllovedfuneralhome.com](http://www.earllovedfuneralhome.com).

### **Irene Mae Hizer Smith**

May 14, 1920 – Dec. 16, 2017

Irene Mae Hizer Smith, 97, Kewanna, went to be with her Lord at 11:11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 16, 2017, at Wynnfield Crossing, where she resided for the last two years.

She was born May 14, 1920, in Wayne Township of Fulton County, where she lived her entire life. She was one of six children born to Joseph Charles and Mae Rose Sadler Hizer.

On March 1, 1941, she married Maurice B. Smith in Fulton County. Their family included four sons. Maurice preceded her in death on Oct. 19, 1999.

Irene was a devoted Christian farm wife and mother who enjoyed her chickens and raising baby calves. In later years she was an active golfer and she enjoyed following her grandchildren and great-grandchildren's local sports activities.

Irene's great-great-great-grandfather, Jacob Hizer was born in 1740 in Prussia (present day Germany). He settled his family in Shenandoah County, Virginia, in 1771. Jacob and wife Susanna moved their family to Rising Sun on the Ohio River, then to near present-day Lafayette and then to the Logansport area. The family then moved to Wayne Township, Fulton County, making this Hizer family one of the very first settlers to Wayne Township. All of these early Hizers are buried in a private cemetery located on the Carl Dean Sommers farm.

She is survived by three sons, Allan Maurice Smith and his wife Kathy, Michael Eugene Smith and his wife Rhonda and Timothy Charles Smith and his wife Pat, all of Kewanna; 12 grandchildren, Jenny Smith and husband Leo, Jeff Smith and wife Diana, Christina Smith Everst and husband Kevin, Tammie Smith Bradshaw and husband Dean, Nicole Smith Tunis and husband Charles, Angela Smith Slocum and husband Tony, Adam Smith and wife Beth, Jamie Smith Hostetler and husband Jamie, Lyndee Smith Duhnovsky and husband Shawn, Jodi Smith Boldry and husband Brad, Jacob Smith and wife Michelle, Joshua Smith and wife Sumer. She is also survived by 26 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren. Irene was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Maurice, son James Edward Smith and his wife Kathy, five siblings, Cresswell Hizer,



Marjorie Hizer Smith, Caroline Hizer Sarver, Lawrence Hizer and Florence Hizer Whittenburger.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 20, 2017, at Harrison-Metzger-Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel, with her son Pastor Timothy Smith officiating. Visitation will be from 4-8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 19, 2017, at the funeral home. Burial will be at Citizens I.O.O.F. Cemetery in Kewanna. Memorial contributions may be made to Wynnfield Crossing and/or Great Lakes Hospice. Friends and family may sign the online guestbook or leave a condolence for the Smith family at [www.ransfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ransfuneralhomes.com).

Tuesday December 19, 2017

### **Harry E. Knauff Jr.**

Harry E. Knauff Jr., 78, Denver, died Saturday at his daughter's home in Wabash County.

Survivors include six children, Justin Knauff, Denver, Elvin Knauff, Denver, Carrie Knauff, Denver, Florence Tigler, Wabash, Vincent Knauff, Peru, and Anthony Knauff, Denver; and two brothers, David L. Knauff, and Dennis L. Knauff, both of Perrysburg.

A graveside service is 2:30 p.m. Wednesday at Westlawn Cemetery, Denver. Arrangements are handled by McClain Funeral Home.

Wednesday December 20, 2017

### **Michael Wayne Croussore**

Jan. 15, 1951 – Dec. 13, 2017

Mr. Michael Wayne Croussore, 66, Rochester, passed away at 3:15 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 13, 2017, at Logansport Memorial Hospital. His beloved wife Cindy and second mother Virga were at his bedside.

On Jan. 15, 1951, Michael Wayne was born in Rochester. He was the treasured son of Harley L. and Joanne Hurtz Croussore. As a teen, he enjoyed roller-skating at the roller rink where he met his future bride, Cynthia K. Clark. Mike graduated from Rochester High School in 1970.

On June 8, 1974, in Grace United Methodist Church, Mike married his high school sweetheart and the love of his life, Cindy K. Clark. They were like two peas in a pod, sharing 43 years of life's adventures.

After garnering work experience in the trash business industry, Mike felt that it was time to become a business owner. In June of 1976, Mike's Trash Service LLC was established. The company's first truck was a pickup with tall sides, manned by Mike and Cindy. With continuous service for more than four decades, their fleet of green and white high-tech trash trucks can be seen cruising city streets and county roads. The company continues to serve Fulton County with prompt, reliable custom trash removal.

Mike and Cindy began working with local CPA Virga Smith, whose expert financial advice proved invaluable to them. Through the years, Virga, Dave and their staff became esteemed family members whose generous support far surpassed the usual business relationship.

As a child, Mike attended the Nazarene church with his parents. More recently, he was baptized by the Rev. Kerry O'Brien at Grace United Methodist Church. Red Skelton was his favorite comedian, and Mike felt very lucky to have met him in southern Indiana. He was also a huge fan of the Three Stooges.

To relax, Mike and Cindy enjoyed game shows, especially "The Price is Right" and "Let's Make a Deal." Auction shows and Andy Griffith were top on his list. The couple's daily routine included eating out and taking drives around town or a jaunt through the country or out of town.

Left to cherish the memory of Mike are his wife, Cindy; father- and mother-in-law Willard and Pauline "Polly" Clark; two sisters-in-law, Susan M. Clark and family, New Paris, and Patricia Keim and husband Keith, Rochester; niece Natalie R. Keim, Indianapolis; nephew Phillip C. Keim, Gunnison, Colo.; aunt Frances Good, Elkhart; Mike's second mom, Virga and her husband Dave Smith, Rochester; first employee, Michael Neff, Rochester; special friends, Wayne and Judy Cooper, Newburgh; numerous cousins; and feline companion, Hally the tiger cat. Mike was preceded in death by his parents.

A celebration of the life of Michael W. Croussore will be at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 23, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. The Rev. Kerry O'Brien will officiate. Friends may visit with the family from 4-7 p.m. on Friday and one hour prior to the service Saturday at the funeral home. Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Grace United Methodist Church, 201 W. Seventh St., Rochester, IN 46975. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

**Doris Kirkland**

Doris Kirkland, 86, Culver, died Tuesday at Miller's Merry Manor, Culver. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

Thursday December 21, 2017

**Janet Beck**

Janet Beck, 65, Rochester, died Wednesday at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

Friday December 22, 2017

**Dorothy E. Haack**

Dorothy E. Haack, 94, Rochester, died Wednesday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

Saturday December 23, 2017

**James Kesler**

James Kesler, 75, Rochester, died Friday. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

**Yvonne I. Ingle**

Yvonne I. Ingle, 77, Fort Wayne, and formerly of Rochester, died Thursday at Parkview hospital, Fort Wayne. Arrangements are pending at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home.

**Michael E. Cox**

Michael E. Cox, 67, Rochester, died Friday at home.

Survivors include his wife, Janet; his mother, Dorothy Cox, Logansport; two daughters, Cathy Cummins, North Manchester, and Andi Price, Rochester; a son, Alan Schwarte, Rochester; and two sisters, Barb Miller, Rochester, and Karen Stevens, Lucerne.

His funeral service is 10 a.m. Thursday at Faith Outreach Center. Visitation is 4-7 p.m. Wednesday at Good Family Funeral Home and one hour prior to the service Thursday at the church.

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**Janet Lee Beck**

Janet Lee Beck, 65, Rochester, died Wednesday at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

Her survivors include daughter Robin Cook, Warsaw; two sons, Chris, Mentone, and John, Lucerne; two sisters, Kathy Stutzman, Poinciana, Fla. and Deborah Sears, Warsaw; two brothers, William Krisher, Arnold, Mo., and Doug Krisher, Los Angeles, Calif.

Funeral service is at 1 p.m. Tuesday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is two hours prior to the service.

**Michael “Mic” Cox**

Aug. 21, 1950 – Dec. 22, 2017

Michael E. “Mic” Cox, 67, Rochester, passed away Friday, Dec. 22, 2017, at his residence.

On Aug. 21, 1950, Michael Edwin “Mic” Cox was born in Logansport. He was the treasured son of Edwin and Dorothy Coffman Cox. Growing up he shared his childhood with two sisters, Barb and Karen. Mic was a 1968 graduate of Logansport High School.

In the First Baptist Church of Rochester Mic married the love of his life, Janet E. Hildebrand, on Nov. 27, 1976. They shared 41 years of life’s adventures. Over the years the family tree grew with the added blessings of 11 grandchildren.

During the 1980’s Mic owned the Family Fun Center of Rochester. He continued on as a concessionaire, creating the Red Barn Elephant Ears. They were well known for their warm, light, delectable elephant ears, as well as other delicious foods their customers savored.

A man of vision and strong faith, Mic was a loyal member of Faith Outreach Center, Prison Fellowship at Westville and Big Brothers. He also served the American Red Cross for more than three decades. Earlier, he enjoyed keeping the official scorebook for the New Life basketball team.

At home the weekends brought sports. Mic was poised with the remote in his hand and positioned perfectly in his recliner ready to cheer for the Cubs, Colts and I.U. basketball, especially during the Bobby Knight era. He relaxed with

pinball and was known by many as a true pinball wizard with the correct touch to maximize results. Mic was skilled at shooting skeet.

Janet and Mic enjoyed trips to Las Vegas and “the boat.” They were the number one cheerleaders for their kids and now their grandchildren, attending all school and sporting events. Grandpa Mic looked forward to family celebrations and the holidays, making memories with his family. Always ready to entertain, Grandpa looked forward to giving the grandkids “carnie rides,” on his golf cart as they tooted around the homestead.

Left to cherish Mic’s memory are his wife, Janet; his mother, Dorothy Cox of Logansport; two daughters, Cathy Cummins and husband John of North Manchester, Andi Price and husband Jason of Rochester; a son, Alan Schwarte of Rochester; 11 grandchildren, Alexander Schwarte, Dakota Schwarte, Isaac Miller and companion Stephanie Siple, Ian Miller, Isabella Miller, Josh Price, Aubrey Price, Jaelynn Price, Samantha Cummins, Joe Cummins, Shaun Cummins; two sisters, Barb Miller and husband Kenneth of Rochester, Karen Stevens and husband Mike of Lucerne; sister-in-law Joyce Ginther and husband Jerry of Rochester; brother-in-law Jay Hildebrand of Kalamazoo, Mich.; mother-in-law Judie Hildebrand of LaBelle, Fla; stepbrother Tim Dawson and wife Julie of Elkhart; stepsister Vickie Leventhal of LaBelle, Fla.; uncle Joe Cox of California; and several nieces and nephews. Preceding Mic in death are his father Edwin and father-in-law Dallas Hildebrand.

A celebration of the life of Michael Edwin “Mic” Cox will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 28, 2017, at the Faith Outreach Center, 1125 E. Ninth St. Rochester. Pastor Terry Baldwin will officiate. Friends may visit with the family from 4-7 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 27, 2017, in the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, and one hour prior to the service in the church. Memorials in lieu of flowers may be made to the Faith Outreach Center of Rochester or the donor’s choice. Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

### **James E. Kesler**

James E. Kesler, 75, Rochester, died Friday at home. Survivors include a son, Blake; and his brother, Kenny.

Funeral service is at 10 a.m. Friday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation is 4-7 p.m. Thursday and one hour prior to the service in the funeral home.

## **Doris Kirkland**

May 7, 1931 – Dec. 19, 2017

Doris Kirkland, 86, of Culver, passed away at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 19, 2017, at Miller's Merry Manor of Culver.

On May 7, 1931, Doris Whiddon was born in Covington County, Ala. She was a treasured daughter of Jesse and Emma Lee Pate Whiddon. Growing up she shared her childhood with four sisters.

In Columbus, Ga., Doris and Robert B. Kirkland Jr. were married on April 17, 1948. They shared 65 years of life's adventures. From their union came three wonderful children Nancy, Robin and Leslie. The family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of two more generations.

A devoted member of the Culver Bible Church, Doris attended Riverview Baptist in Riverview, Fla., where she and Bob lived for 32 years, beginning in 1978. Prior to this Doris drove a school bus for Culver Community Schools for several years.

As adventurers, Bob and Doris traveled extensively all over the United States in their motor home. They also enjoyed two cruises. To relax Doris was an avid reader. She read all types of genres. Part of her daily routine was reading the daily newspaper out loud.

As the matriarch overseeing four generations, Grandma Doris was at home in her kitchen command post. She looked forward to hosting family celebrations and the holidays when everyone gathered. Growing up in the south, she acquired the skills and style of a wonderful southern cook, creating warm banana pudding baked with a meringue topping. Cornbread dressing was always plentiful at the holidays. She is remembered for her homemade hushpuppies when the family hosted a fresh fish fry.

Left to cherish Doris' memory are two daughters, Nancy Cannon and husband Charles of Leiters Ford, Robin Minix and husband Mark of Kewanna; a son, Leslie Kirkland, of Winamac; 17 grandchildren and 34 great-grandchildren; a sister, Frances Parker, of Columbus, Ga.; and several nieces and nephews. Preceding Doris in death are her parents, beloved husband Robert on Jan. 7, 2013, son Bobby Kirkland in 2001, daughter-in-law Shari Kirkland in 2012, great-granddaughter Elsie Maud Ringer, four sisters, Helen, Bettie Ruth "Bebe," Shirley and infant Madie.

A celebration of the life of Doris Kirkland will be at 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 28, 2017, in the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Pastor Dan Huhn will officiate. Friends may visit with the family from 5-7 p.m. on

Thursday in the funeral home. Interment will be in the Leiters Ford Cemetery. Memorials in lieu of flowers may be made to the Culver Miller's Merry Manor Activity Fund. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

**Jeremy Aaron-Presley Moore**

Oct. 14, 1979 – Dec. 22, 2017

Jeremy Aaron-Presley Moore, 38, Rochester, passed away Friday, Dec. 22, 2017.

Born on Oct. 14, 1979, in Logansport, he was the son of Edward Moore and Sharon (Whitehead) Smith. Jeremy worked for Enid's Cleaning Service in Rochester.

Surviving Jeremy is his son, John Edward Moore, Rochester; father Edward (Julie) Moore, Logansport; mother Sharon (Mike) Smith, Rochester; grandmother Rubye Whitehead, Logansport; step grandparents John (Gladys) Galloway, Rochester; grandmother, Deborah Becker, Bunker Hill; sister Emily (Brandon) Carter, Beaufort, S.C.; stepbrothers William (Christine) Halsne, Princeton, Michael (Jessica) Halsne, Noblesville and Robert Taylor, Logansport; stepsisters Tiffaney Lambert, Royal Center and Sabrina (John) Berkshire, Logansport; and several nieces, nephews, aunts and uncles. He was preceded in death by a brother, Matthew Edward Moore, and his grandfather, John Whitehead.

A memorial service will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 20, 2018, at The Cross church, 100 W. Third St. Gundrum Funeral Home has been entrusted with arrangements. You may sign the guestbook and send online condolences at [www.gundrumcares.com](http://www.gundrumcares.com).

Wednesday December 27, 2017

**Patricia L. Pereira**

Patricia L. Pereira, 75, formerly of Rochester, died Thursday.

Survivors include her husband, Roland; three children, David, Robert and Karen; and her sister, Linda Smith.

Her funeral service is 2 p.m. Jan. 3, 2018, at Chapel Lawn Funeral Home, 8178 Cline Ave., Crown Point. Visitation is 11 a.m. to the time of the service Jan. 3, 2018, at the funeral home.

**Yvonne I. 'Bonnie' Ingle**

Aug. 16, 1940 – Dec. 21, 2017

Yvonne I. “Bonnie” Ingle, 77, Fort Wayne, and a longtime Rochester resident, passed away at 5:55 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 21, 2017, at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

She was born on Aug. 16, 1940, in Kosciusko County, the daughter of Delbert and Ruth (Cleveland) Ingle. On Feb. 19, 1956, she married Thomas Fisher. He survives.

Ms. Ingle retired as quality control supervisor at Oxford Automotive in Argos.

Survivors include her children, Bonnie and husband Tom Nethercutt, Muldrow, Okla., Thomas Fisher II, Rochester, Cindy and husband Michael Biltz, Peru, and Tina and husband David Bratton, Akron; grandchildren Scott and wife Amanda Dillon, Muldrow, Okla., Jennifer and husband Tom Carter, Warsaw, Destiny Biltz, Ohio, Travis and wife Kristin Horn, Rochester, Ty and wife Jessica Horn, St. Albans, W.Va., and Thomas Charles Fisher III, Rochester; stepgrandchildren Luke Bratton, Fort Wayne, and Tasha Nethercutt, Nicole Nethercutt and Taylor Nethercutt, all of Indiana; great-grandchildren Layne Horn, Tanner Horn, Jaden Horn, Ty Lee Horn, Dyson Biltz, Taylor Biltz, Elijah Yarber, Brianna Yarber, David Carter, Hailey Dillon, and Triston Dillon; and sister Nina Haines, Elkhart. She was preceded in death by her parents; daughter Susan Rene Fisher; grandson Jeremy Biltz; and sisters Mickey and Sharon.

A private service occurred. Burial was in the Fulton Cemetery, Fulton. Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

### **Larry G. Shriver**

Larry G. Shriver, 78, Rochester, died Monday at home.

Survivors include three sons, Daniel G. Shriver, Rochester, Donald R. Shriver, Rochester, and David A. Shriver, Athens; and a brother, Stephen R. Shriver, Rochester.

His funeral service is 10 a.m. Saturday at Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation is 4-7 p.m. Friday and one hour prior to the service Saturday at the funeral home.

### **Larry J. Wahlig**

Larry J. Wahlig, 79, Fort Wayne, and formerly of the Akron and Gilead areas, died Sunday at Parkview Hospital Randallia, Fort Wayne.



Survivors include his wife, Donna R. Wahlig, Fort Wayne; his daughter, Kim Wahlig, Fort Wayne; his son, Nick Wahlig, Fort Wayne; and his sisters, Andrea Day, Fort Wayne, and Audrey Buchan, Fort Wayne.

His funeral service is noon Thursday at Hartzler Funeral Home. Visitation is 10 a.m. to the time of the service Thursday at the funeral home.

### **Dorothy E. Haack**

Dorothy E. Haack, 94, Rochester, died Dec. 20, 2017, at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester. Survivors include a son, Thomas Haack, Kewanna.

A private service occurred at Good Family Funeral Home.

### **Donald A. Gray**

Donald A. Gray, 87, Argos, died Friday at home. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

Thursday December 28, 2017

### **Eugene ‘Gene’ Dunfee Sr.**

Feb. 7, 1934 – Dec. 26, 2017

Eugene “Gene” Dunfee Sr., 83, Rochester, passed away Tuesday, December 26, 2017. Gene was born Feb. 7, 1934, in Hammond, to Garfield Dunfee and Edna Cook Dunfee, now both deceased.

He had worked for many years as the warehouse manager at Shaw’s Fertilizer in Knox. On Sept. 2, 1955, in Lowell, he married Barbara Greer. She preceded him in death on Dec. 6, 2002.

He is survived by his children, Kathryn Bennett (Brad), Pittsfield, Ill., Jane Bonnell (Kent), Kewanna, Gene Dunfee Jr., Knox, Glenn Dunfee (Sandy), Rochester, Joe Dunfee (Myra), Rochester, and Jeff Dunfee (Sonya), Greensburg; 20 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; and his best friends, Koli and Wilson.

His funeral service will occur Friday, Dec. 29, 2017, at noon (EST), with visitation one hour prior to service, at Mt. Hope Church, 7022 W. 700 N., Culver. Burial will take place at the Moon Cemetery in Leiters Ford. M.C. Smith Funeral Home in Knox is in charge of arrangements.

### **Ronald ‘Ron’ Martin**

Sept. 28, 1936 – Dec. 1, 2017

Ronald “Ron” Martin, 81, Savannah, Texas, and formerly a resident of Akron for 60 years, graduated to Heaven on Dec. 1, 2017.

Born Sept. 28, 1936, in Akron to the late Lewis and Martha Ellen (Sands) Martin, he lived his childhood and the majority of his life in Fulton County. A devoted husband for 62 years, he was married to the late Dorothy J. (Koenig) Martin at Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church, Macy, on July 4, 1954.

He was an avid car enthusiast, learning mechanics and working for the late George Stephen, and later opening his own Akron business, Ron’s Garage, in 1962. As a successful businessman for more than 45 years, he semi-retired to Texas, becoming a building associate for his son-in-law’s north Texas construction business, Rock Harbor, for 10 years before managing his own small lawn care company in South Texas, then again assisting his son-in-law until November 2017.

A Midwest family man to the core, he loved and valued family and friends exceedingly. He enjoyed family outings, bowling, dancing, mentoring all ages under the hood of cars, volunteering for various Sunday school classes and projects, supporting his children and grandchildren’s activities, planting a church in the country of Mexico, attending Indianapolis 500 races with longtime friend Fred Brown of Rochester, and driving sports cars or anything with wheels!

A major highlight of Ron and Dorothy’s union was a celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary, walking from Dallas to Akron, a total of 1,000 miles in 100 days. During this incredible trek across America’s heartland, they had the privilege of meeting many locals and writing the book “Challenging the Road Ahead” and sharing their story on Christian television and local telecasts.

A member of UP Church, located in a Dallas suburb, he was loved by many and was known as a loving and giving servant of God. Much to his family’s heartache and loss, they are comforted to know his reward is great and his race is won.

Left to cherish the memory of Ron are a son, Rick (Kathleen) Martin, Golden, Colo.; daughter Krista (Brian) Riner, Savannah, Texas; grandchildren Adam (Julie) Martin, Alaina (Justin) Ernest, Brant Riner, Emberli (David) Pridham, Savanna (Anthony) Dee, Caleb (Peyton) Riner, and Roc Riner; great-grandchildren Lela Martin, Cedella and Juniper Ernest and Brooke and Noah Pridham; sisters Karen (Eugene) Deeds and Susie (Virgil) Hudkins; and brothers Jim (Mary) Fisher and John (Jeanne) Fisher. He was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Dorothy; parents; brothers Ralph, Robert, Charles, LeRoy and Donald Martin; and sister Virginia Baker.

A celebration of life for Ron will be Saturday, Dec. 30, at 10 a.m. at The Cross church, Rochester, with visitation one hour prior to the service. Burial will be at the Akron Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to UP Church, 1524 Carriage Lane, Savannah, TX 76227.

### **Larry G. Shriver**

June 4, 1939 – Dec. 25, 2017

Mr. Larry G. Shriver, 78, Rochester, was surrounded by his loving family when he passed away at 11:58 p.m. Monday, Dec. 25, 2017, at his home. In Fulton County, on June 4, 1939, Larry was born to Donald G. and Mary Corrine Tharp Shriver.

Growing up, he shared his childhood with two brothers, Steve and Ron. He attended Woodrow Elementary School and graduated with the Class of 1957 from Rochester High School. During his high school years, Larry was active in Future Farmers of America, garnering impressive titles with the state and national soil judging teams. True to his heart, he still could recite the creed on command. In 1961, he joined the U.S. Navy and was honorably discharged in 1964.

Returning home from his stint with the Navy, Larry initiated his lifelong passion, farming. He owned a fine herd of Black Angus and crossbred cattle. He annually planted corn and beans on board his John Deere tractor and at one time oversaw a farming operation of more than 1,000 acres. Larry was accomplished as an equestrian, stabling riding horses for himself and the boys.

As a true American sportsman, Larry lived off the land. An avid hunter, he bagged many foxes, rabbits, quail, pheasants and deer. His meat preference was venison over beef. As a friend to animals, Larry once raised a baby coyote Lobo as a pet.

The patriarch of the Shriver family, Grandpa Larry was proud to oversee three generations. He adored his grandchildren and looked forward to family celebrations and the holidays, an opportunity to make memories.

Larry is lovingly remembered by three sons, Daniel G. Shriver and companion Sandy Vedder, Rochester, Donald R. Shriver and wife Bethany, Rochester, and David A. Shriver and wife Cami, Akron; five Shriver grandchildren, Samantha, Jesse, Hunter, Delaney, and Tucker; a brother, Stephen R. Shriver and wife Jane, Rochester; and several nieces and nephews. Larry was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Ronald G. Shriver.

A celebration of the life of Larry G. Shriver will be at 10 a.m. on Saturday, December 30, 2017, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St.,

Rochester. Dr. Mark Spencer will officiate. Friends may visit with the family from 4-7 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 29, 2017, and one hour prior to the service Saturday at the funeral home. Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Military graveside rites will be accorded by the Fulton County Veterans Honor Guard and the U.S. Navy Honors Team. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

Friday December 29, 2017

### **Shawn Reffett**

Shawn Reffett, 50, formerly of Rochester, died at his home in Bullhead City, Ariz., on Dec. 25, 2017.

Survivors include his wife, Joyce; his parents, Calvin and Vernellee Reffett, Rochester; his brother, Shane (Lisa) Reffett, Rochester; his nephew, Jack C. Reffett, Rochester; and his cousins, Travis(Stacy) Woodcox, Rochester, Bruce (Wendy) Woodcox, Rochester, Brett Arnett, Texas, Tom (Barb) Arnett, Texas, Mark Reffett, Texas, Adam Howard, South Bend, Chris Thompson, Rochester, and Angie Howard, Rochester.

Shawn loved living life to its fullest. He was very passionate about the water. He loved fishing, riding Wave Runners, diving and being outside. Shawn loved to be with his wife, Joyce, and their friends.

Saturday December 30, 2017

### **Janet Lee Beck**

Oct. 12, 1952 – Dec. 20, 2017

Janet Lee Beck, 65, Rochester, passed away Wednesday, Dec. 20, 2017, at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne. On Oct. 12, 1952, Janet Lee Krisher was born in Fulton County. She was a treasured daughter of Charles and Dorothy Jean Bradley Krisher. Growing up, she shared her childhood with two sisters and two brothers.

With great Zebra pride, Janet graduated from Rochester High School in 1971. When patriotism beckoned, Janet answered the call, serving with the United States Army during the Vietnam War.

In Rochester, Mr. Robert Beck married Janet on Sept. 17, 1973. They shared nearly 40 years of life's adventures. From their union came three wonderful

children. The family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of 10 grandchildren.

Known for her dependability, Janet was a seamstress for Hart, Schaffner & Marx. She later worked for TOPP Industries as a seamstress. She also studied business at Ivy Tech, earning an associate's degree. Talented in handiwork, Janet quilted many gifts of warmth for her family and special friends. In her spare time, she studied genealogy, tracing back her family roots.

Janet is lovingly remembered by a daughter, Robin Cook and husband Eric, Warsaw; two sons, Chris Beck and wife Emily, Mentone, and John Beck and wife Janet, Lucerne; 10 grandchildren, Taylor Beck, Kris Beck, Rabeckah Reed, Maria Reed, Janie Reed, Jarod Beck, Jaden Beck, Coral Beck, Guien Galloway, and Kory Cook; two sisters, Kathy Stutzman and husband Mike, Poinciana, Fla., and Deborah Sears and husband Robert, Warsaw; two brothers, William Krisher and wife Melody, Arnold, Mo., and Doug Krisher, Los Angeles, Calif.; and several nieces and nephews. Janet was preceded in death by her parents and beloved husband Robert on Dec. 14, 2013.

A celebration of the life of Janet Lee Beck will be at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 2, 2018, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Pastor Rod Ruberg officiating. Friends may visit with the family two hours prior to the service at the funeral home. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www. goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).