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James A. Abair

James A. Abair, 65, lost his long battle with cancer at 4 a.m. on Tuesday, September 28, 2004. Jim died at his home, 3756 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, with his loving family by his side.

Born in Plymouth on October 4, 1938, the son of Russell and Luella Powers Abair, Jim attended local schools.

He served in the United States Air Force as a jet mechanic.

On July 14, 1958, in Midland, Texas, he and JoAnn Herring were married. A devoted husband, he lived for his wife and family.

Jim was employed by McCords Corp. for 19 years, working there until they closed. He then worked in the maintenance department at Swan Lake Golf Course and also maintained the motel, and upkeep on the swimming pools.

One of his hobbies was building miniature lighthouses. A life long mechanic, he had a lasting love of air planes and enjoyed attending air shows.

A member of the Marshall County Church of Christ, Jim was formerly active in the Plymouth Moose Lodge, # 741 and, for 5 years, worked with the Civil Defense team.

Jim is survived by his wife, JoAnn and by their three daughters, sons-in-law and grandchildren. They are: Nancy and Kurt McMillen and their children: Joseph Lee Bailey, Jesse Ray Bailey, Holly Ann Starkey, Janelle Mary McMillen, Jennifer Brook McMillen and Heather Sue McMillen; Sabra and Ed Schaefer and their daughter Haley Hostetler and Cindy and Mike Krakowski, all of Plymouth.

Two great-granddaughters survive as well. They are: Skye Bailey Robinson and Cora Marie Drach.

Three brothers and four sisters also survive. The brothers are: Robert, Harold and Gerrold Abair, Plymouth. His sisters are Frances Menzel and Rosemary Harner, both of Bremen, Dorothy White, Plymouth and Violet Wicks, LaPaz.

Several nieces and nephews survive also.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents and by a great-grandson, James Allen Drach. Two brothers have also died: They are Russell Abair, Jr., who died in W.W. II and Chester Abair.

Visitation with his family to celebrate Jim’s life, will be held in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, on Thursday, September 30, 2004, from 4 to 8 p.m.

Funeral services, officiated by Art Adams and Byron Henbest of the Marshall County Church of Christ will be held in the funeral home on Friday, October 1, 2004, at 11 a.m.

Military graveside services will be accorded to Jim by the Plymouth VFW Post 1162 in New Oakhill Cemetery.

Memorial gifts in Jim’s memory may be made to the March of Dimes or to the Marshall County Hospice.

Hazel E. Andrews

Hazel E. Andrews, 99, of 515 North Michigan Street, Argos, Indiana, passed away Wednesday, July 21, 2004 at 12:55 a.m. in Miller's Merry Manor, Plymouth. She would have celebrated her
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100th birthday on July 31.

She was born on July 31, 1904 in Fulton County, Indiana, to James and Lydia (Foy) Sharp.

She married Von Andrews on September 27, 1923. He passed away in 1978.

Hazel is survived by her five daughters, Marcille Sickmiller of Plymouth, Ardille Bollhoefer of Rancho Cordova, California, Bonnie Keller of Argos, Indiana, Donna Nicole of Dandridge, Tennessee, and Joy Alwine of Bristol, Indiana. Also surviving are eight grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren, five great-great-grandchildren, and her sister, Pat Arbeaneaux of New Orleans, Louisiana. She was preceded in death by her daughter, Lucille Schafer of Plymouth.

Services will be held Sunday, July 25, 2004 at 2:00 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, Plymouth with Rev. Richard Dean officiating. Burial will be at the Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos, Indiana.

Visitation will be Saturday, July 24, 2004 from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth.

The family requests that memorial contributions be given to the Marshall County Hospice, 112 South Center Street, Plymouth, Indiana, 46563.

Malaya (May) L. Ault, 49, of 11512 Jute Road, Plymouth, passed away Monday, December 20, 2004, at her home in Plymouth, Indiana.

She was born on August 22, 1955 in Rochester, Indiana, to Russell and Patricia (Smith) Conley.

May was a member of the Women of the Moose Lodge, American Legion Auxiliary Post #27, and the Elks Lodge. May married John Ault on April 12, 1970. He passed away on January 4, 2002. She worked for Town and County Press in the shipping department.

She is survived by her daughter, Kimberly Ault of Plymouth; her grandson, Charles Wesley John Ault of Plymouth; her sisters, Sandy (Verla) Neighbors and Sevilla Rhoades of Plymouth; and her brother, Eddie Smith of also of Plymouth. May was preceded in death by her daughter, Christina in 1996; her parents; two sisters; and three brothers.

Services will be held Thursday, December 23, 2004, at 1:00 p.m. at Van Gilder Funeral Home in Plymouth, with the Rev. Mark G. Cottrill officiating. Burial will be in the Culver Masonic Cemetery.

Visitation will be Wednesday, December 22, 2004, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 west Madison Street, Plymouth, Indiana.

The family requests that memorial contributions be given to Marshall County Hospice, 112 South Center Street, Plymouth, Indiana, 46563 or to the Saint Joseph Cancer Institute of Plymouth.

Ella M. Ayres, 76, of 827 West 13th Street, Rochester, Indiana, passed away Tuesday, August 3, 2004 at 7:30 a.m. at Life Care Center, Rochester.

She was born on March 24, 1928 in Lakeland, Florida, to Lawrence and Elsie (Kuskey) Sherland.
Ella, and Lowell G. Ayres, were married on January 26, 1945, in Plymouth. Lowell passed away on September 20, 1991. Ella has lived the past four years in Rochester, where she was a member of the First Assembly of God Church. She was preceded in death by her son Roger, in 1969.

Ella is survived by her daughters; Suzanne and Lawrence Harness of Plymouth, Video and Nelson Weaver of Rochester, and Patricia and Jeffery Harness of Knox; her son, Victor and Penney Ayres of Lebanon, Ohio; six grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; her sisters; Dorothy Reese of Lapaz, Margaret Alrich of Arizona, and Clara Dean Maxson of Olympia, Kentucky; and her brother, Fletcher Sherland of Grovertown, Indiana.

Services will be held Saturday, August 7, 2004 at 2:00 p.m. at the First Assembly of God Church, in Rochester, with Rev. Robert George officiating. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Visitation will be Friday August 6, 2004 from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth, and one hour prior to service at the Church.

The family requests that memorial contributions be given to the Alzheimers Association, 108 North Main Street, South Bend, Indiana, 46601.

Dorothy E. "Bunny" Ball

A memorial service for former Plymouth resident, Dorothy E. “Bunny” Ball, 97, who died on Wednesday, October 20, 2004, in the Hospice of Dayton, will be held in the new Oakhill Cemetery Chapel, Plymouth, Ind., at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 20, 2004.

Bunny was born in Plymouth on February 18, 1907, the daughter of Clinton and Florence BonDurant. She graduated from St. Mary’s College at Notre Dame and for seven years during the depression, taught first grade with 40 students in each class.

In 1937, Bunny and Gerald Ball were married. She became a devoted Notre Dame fan, her husband’s alma mater. She never missed a game on TV and made it known that she didn’t want to be bothered when she had a game on the set.

Gerald died in 1988 and Bunny moved to Dayton in 1992 to be near her niece’s family.

In Plymouth, she was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, Tri Kappa sorority, the Plymouth Country Club and for years she and Gerald were dear friends and benefactors of Ancilla College and the Community of the Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ.

Bunny is survived by her two nieces: Pat and Jim Custer of Kettering, Ohio and Betty Peirce of California; two great-nieces, Deborah and Kenny Lakins and Cathy and Don Morter and a great-nephew, Doug Peirce. Also surviving are four great-great nieces, Jessie, Tessa, Jill and Cory and a nephew, James L. Peirce.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband and her sister, Helen Keyser in 1990. Her nephew-in-law, Don Peirce has also died.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Bunny’s memory may be made to Ancilla College, P.O. Box 1, Donaldson, Ind. 46513, or to a charity of choice.

Raymond “Ray” J. Bender

Raymond “Ray” J. Bender, 77, a resident of Country Place Apartments, 1420 W. Madison St., died of natural causes in Pilgrim Manor Nursing Home, at 3:30 a.m. on Friday, September 17,
Born in Plymouth, Ind., on January 27, 1927, Ray was the son of Charley and Mildred Hagenbush Bender.

A member of the Plymouth High School class of 1945, he left school at the age of 17 to go to war. A World War II veteran, he enlisted in the United States Navy on August 3, 1944, and served on the U.S.S. Chicago. He was honorably discharged on October 18, 1947, as a seaman 2nd class.

While attending IUSB after the war, he worked for the Studebaker Corp. in South Bend. He later owned and operated for 19 years the Plymouth Cigar Store, an establishment that included a pool hall and coin dealership.

In 1971, Ray moved to Louisiana and worked for the Shell Oil company as a cook on an offshore oil rig. In 1991, he retired and moved to Las Vegas, Nev., working as a coin dealer.

In 1998, he came back home to Plymouth. In his early years, he enjoyed golf. He was a valued member of the Moose Lodge # 741. The club was a second family to Ray. He was there almost every day, brightening up the premises with his large wardrobe of bright colored sports coats in shades of pink, yellow and green.

He followed the racing ponies, always had a tip sheet folded under his arm and was cheerfully ready to share his expertise with friends.

Ray was also a member of the Plymouth VFW, 1162, and the Argos American Legion.

He is survived by a daughter, April Taviner and her fiancé, Jim Heim, North Liberty, Ind., and a son and daughter-in-law, Jan and Joyce Bender, Denver, Colo.

Four grandchildren survive as well. They are: Deion Bender and Jessica Bender, Colorado; and Dawn and Rich Taviner, LaPorte and George Heim, North Liberty. Two great-grandchildren also survive: Mitchell and Adreanna Taviner, La Porte.

A brother, Clarence Bender, Michigan, also survives.

Ray was preceded in death by his parents and Fern Culp, a sister.

Friends may visit with Ray’s family on Wednesday, September 22, 2004, from 10 to 11 a.m. in the New Oakhill Cemetery Chapel, Plymouth, Ind.

A memorial service for Ray, officiated by the Rev. Charles Krieg, pastor of the Salem United Methodist Church, will be held following visitation at 11 a.m. in the chapel.

The VFW Post 1162 will provide full military graveside services in the New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

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Alice Books

Alice Books, 65, 18549 W. 6B Road, Plymouth, died of natural causes at 3:50 a.m. on Thursday, July 1, 2004, in St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Born in LaPorte County on January 28, 1939, Alice was the third child born to Howard Glen and Viola Eva Nelson Ramsby.

She was first married to John G. Nieubuurt of Walkerton, Ind. Seven children were born of that
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Alice enjoyed cards, dice games, reading and visiting with family and friends.

She is survived by her seven children. They are: Mark A. Nieubuurt; Daniel C. Nieubuurt; David L. Nieubuurt; Alice G. Waytts; Marian L. White; Fern M. Nibblelink and Billy S. Nieubuurt.

Numerous grandchildren and several great-grandchildren also survive. She is also survived by a brother, Joe Ramsby.

Her parents and a brother, Charles Edward “Tubby” Ramsby who died in 1968, preceded her in death.

There will be no visitation.

Kimberly A. Borem, 38, 924 North Center Street, Plymouth, Indiana, died Tuesday, September 14, 2004, at 1:25 p.m. in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, South Bend, Indiana, after a brief illness.

Kimberly was born on October 17, 1965 in Elkhart, Indiana. Her parents are Jim and Sharon Bowlby Carnes.

Survivors include, her parents, Jim and Sharon Carnes of Plymouth; her daughter, Shannon of Plymouth; her son, Brandon of Plymouth; her grandmother, Peggy Reed of Palm Harbor, Florida; her brothers, Ron and Tina Carnes of Argos, Bruce and Noriko Carnes of Colorado Springs, Colorado, and Brian and Deb Carnes of Pearblossom, California; her extended family, Allen, Jennifer, Kristol, and Alicia Heist of Plymouth; her step-mothers, Jacke Lundy of Elkhart, Indiana and Eileen Borem of Elkhart, Indiana; and her step-sister DeAnna And Jack Black of Lafayette, Indiana. She was preceded in death by her father, Ronnie Borem.

Visitation will be Thursday, September 16, 2004, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth, Indiana.

Funeral services will be Friday, September 17, 2004 at 10:30 a.m. at Crossroads Evangelical Free Church, with the Rev. Bill Walder officiating. There will be visitation from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., at the church, before the funeral. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

The family requests that memorials be given to Crossroads Evangelical Free Church, 1650 North Oak Road, Plymouth, Indiana, 46563.

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VanGilder Funeral Home

Vashti T. Bottorff, just 35 days shy of her 93rd birthday, died of natural causes at 1:55 a.m. in the Catherine Kasper Life Center, Donaldson, on Wednesday, November 17, 2004. Vashti, a 24-year resident of Garden Courts East, was a lifetime area resident.

A Deaconess in the Blissville Church of the Brethren since 1935, her life revolved around her church and her faith in God.

Born in Brooklyn, Ind., on December 12, 1911, Vashti was the daughter of Daniel and Mabel Brittan Bristow. She told friends that her unusual name came from Queen Vashti in the Old Testament’s Book of Esther. She attended Gary schools.

On February 4, 1933, in Polk Township, she and Glen R. Bottorff, a school teacher at
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Teegarden, were married. Glen died on February 2, 1967.

In the 1940s, Vashti worked at Meck Industries for 7 years.

A homemaker and a farmer’s wife always helping with the chores, Vashti was known as the "Hat Lady" for her many donations of crocheted hats to the Neighborhood Center and the Cancer Society. Clever with her hands, embroidering and quilting with the Blissville Church ladies, she taught herself the art of crocheting 40 years ago. It was her favorite pastime and the yarn basket beside her favorite chair always held a work in progress.

She liked to read and loved flower gardening, tending a colorful plot outside of her door at Garden Courts.

Active in the life of the Garden Courts community, Vashti served for 14 years as chairman of the weekly coffee klatches and was head of the rummage sale to raise money for furniture for the recreation room. She also initiated the May breakfast and soup supper events.

Vashti is survived by two children and their spouses, all of Plymouth. They are her daughter Marlene H. and Donald Swank and Joseph D. And Sally Bottorff.

Five granddaughters and one grandson also survive.

They are: Glenda R. Swank, Statesville, N.C.; Donna K. & Bill Girten, Plymouth; Nancy Jo and David Chapeau, Granger, Ind.; Cheri Jo and Danny Sauer, Lakeville, Ind.; Terri Ann and Wayne Dixon, South Bend, Ind., and Barry G. and Sarah Bottorff, Plymouth.

Seven great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews also survive.

Vashti was preceded in death by her spouse and by three brothers: John, Daniel B., and Carl Bristow.

Friends may come to celebrate the long and faithful life of Vashti Bottorff from 4 to 8 p.m. on Friday, November 19, 2004, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, November 20, 2004, in the Blissville Church of the Brethren, 6250 Spruce Trail, Plymouth. The Revs. Paul McBride and Jimmy Baker, pastor of the church, will officiate.

Interment will be in Tyner Cemetery, Tyner, Ind.

Memorial gifts may be made to the Blissville and Plymouth Churches of the Brethren or the Logan Center, South Bend, Ind.

Kent A. Bottorff Johnson & Danielson Funeral Home

Kent A. "Butch" Bottorff, a 22-year resident of Mishawaka, coming from Plymouth, died at his home, 307 Miami Club Drive, Mishawaka, Ind., at 9:02 a.m., Wednesday, May 5, 2004. His death at the age of 59 was attributed to complications from diabetes.

Born in Plymouth on January 4, 1945, he was the son of Hillard and Claudine Booker Bottorff. He graduated from Plymouth High School with the class of 1964.

In the United States Navy, from 1964 to 1967, he served on the U.S.S. Kitty Hawk in the sea off of Japan. He received a medical discharge in 1967.
During his working career, Kent had worked at Wag’s Standard Service Station, Wagner Wire, and the Plymouth Dairy. Self-employed with K.B. Concessions he worked with Blind Vendors Association, retiring in 1990.

Kent was a Chicago Cub and NASCAR racing fan and a collector of Lionel "O" gauge trains and 1/18 and 1/25 scale Nascar models dating from 1900 to the present time.

He is survived by his mother Claudine of Plymouth, a son and daughter-in-law, Michael A. and Anita M. Bottorff, Plymouth, and a daughter and son-in-law, Ronda S. and Daniel S. Gebo, of Mishawaka.

Three granddaughters and a grandson survive as well. They are Kalie M. Bottorff and Misty N. Doerscher, both of Plymouth; Grace C. and Nicholas D. Gebo, both of Mishawaka.

Two sisters and three brothers also survive. His sisters are; Marsha and Dave Henry, Lake of the Woods and Brenda and Rex Senff, Plymouth. Kent’s brothers are; Larry and Deb Bottorff, Bruce and Jan Bottorff and Bill and Sue Bottorff, all of Plymouth. Several nieces and nephews also survive.

Kent was preceded in death by his father and his grandparents, Charles and Frances Booker.

Friends may visit with the family in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, on Friday, May 7, 2004, from 4 to 8 p.m.

Funeral services for Kent, officiated by the Rev. Charles Krieg, pastor of the Salem United Methodist Church, Bremen, will be held in the funeral home on Saturday morning, May 8, 2004, at 10:30 a.m.

Interment will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

The family requests that memorial gifts in Kent’s memory be sent to the Diabetic Association.

Carl J. Bradford

He was born on October 25, 1923 in Plymouth, Indiana to Carl E. and Stella (Klapp) Bradford.

Carl and Ruth were married on October 2, 1947. She passed away on May 30, 2003.

Carl was a graduate of Lincoln High School in 1942 and attended DePaw University for one year. He was a sales representative. Carl served his country during WWII, in the Navy, as a Third Class Petty Officer, on the U.S.S. Randolph, in charge of the ordinance.

Carl and Ruth lived between Plymouth and South Bend for several years. They moved to California for seven years and then to Las Vegas for the last 21 years.

He is survived by his children, Pamela Miller and Jody Bradford both of San Carlos, California, Mark Bradford of Palmdale, California, Kirk Bradford of Edwardsburg, Michigan, Lisa Bradford of Henderson, Nevada, and Michael Bradford of Las Vegas, Nevada. Also surviving are 11 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Graveside services will be held Friday, November 5, 2004 at 2:00 p.m. at the New Oak Hill Chapel with the Rev. Dr. Dean Fager officiating.

Van Gilder Funeral Home is in charge of the local services.
Robert L. Bridgman

Robert L. Bridgman, 68, of 222 Parkview Street, Plymouth, passed away Wednesday, September 8, 2004 at 5:35 a.m. in Pilgrim Manor Nursing Home, Plymouth.

He was born on January 1, 1936 in Peoria, Illinois, to Edward and Dorothy Bridgman.

Robert was a truck driver for the Teamsters Union Local #710 of Chicago, Illinois. He was also a member of the Plymouth Moose Lodge #741.

He is survived by his daughters, Lana Shafer of Peoria, Illinois, Christine Range of Chicago, Illinois, Bobbie Guyse of Plymouth, Robin Poole of North Carolina, and Debbora Ousnamer of Plymouth; his son, Kevin Bridgman of Plymouth; his sister, Betty Formhalf of Illinois; six grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be Saturday, September 11, 2004 from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth. There will be no funeral service.

The family requests that memorial contributions be given to the Activity Fund at Pilgrim Manor Nursing Home, 222 Parkview, Plymouth, Indiana, 46563.

Bert J. Brockus

Lifetime Marshall County resident, Bert J. Brockus, 75, died, after a long battle with cancer, at his residence, 12465 Thumper Trail, LaPaz, at 8:20 a.m., Wednesday, June 2, 2004.

Born in Argos on August 10, 1928, Bert was the son of Buros and Margaret Meir Brockus. He attended Argos High School.

Bert served in the United States Marine Corps as a corporal from 1946 to 1949. He earned the W.W.II Victory Medal.

On August 12, 1950, in Argos, Bert and Rosemary E. Shaffer were married.

He worked for the Bendix Corp. in South Bend from 1951 to his retirement in 1986, a total of 35 loyal years.

Mushroom hunting was one of Bert’s favorite pastimes. He also enjoyed reading western novels, traveling, telling jokes, gambling and harvesting black walnuts for friends and family.

Bert is survived by Rose, his wife of almost 54 years, LaPaz, and their two children: son, Brent J. Brockus and daughter, Brenda K. and Ron Meyers, all of Plymouth.

Four grandchildren also survive. They are: Bret Brockus, Knox; Amy Millar, and Elizabeth Meyers, Plymouth; Erica Meyers, South Bend. Two great-grandsons survive as well. They are Bryantle Brockus and Kyle Brockus.

A brother, Bob Brockus, Sun Lakes, Ariz., and three sisters survive also. They are: Bernice Erow, Milford, Ind., Mary Batcho, Plymouth, and Evelyn Bowman, Sturgis, Mich. Numerous nieces and nephews also survive.

Bert was preceded in death by his parents and by four sisters: Julia Street, Harriett Harrell-Rosenbaum, Jerry Roahrig and Dorothy Arndt. One brother, Lester Brockus, has also died.

Friends will be welcomed by the family to visit and share memories on Friday, June 4, 2004, from 5 to 8 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, Ind.
Funeral services for Bert will be at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, June 5, 2004, in the funeral home. The Rev. Lane Burgland, pastor of the Churubusco Faith Lutheran Church will officiate.

American Legion Post #385 of which Bert was a member will honor his service to his country with graveside rites at New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Bert’s memory may be sent to the Marshall County Hospice.

DeWayne G. “Bud” Brown, 83, a lifetime Marshall county resident living at 15590 12th Road, Plymouth, died suddenly of natural causes at 11:30 a.m. in Methodist Hospital, Indianapolis, on Tuesday, October 5, 2004.

Born in Bourbon, Ind., on November 30, 1920, Bud was the son of Clifford Carl and Ada Mae Dillingham Brown. He was a 1938 graduate of LaPaz High School.

He served in the United States Army during W.W. II as a surgical technician. He was stationed in New Guinea and the Southern Philippines from 1942 to 1946.

On January 31, 1947, in Bremen, Ind., Bud and Elizabeth M. Marsh were married.

After Bud and Liz were married, he worked as a USDA inspector for Schlosser’s Hawthorne Melody Dairy Products for 28 years, from 1946 to 1973, later working for Berkey’s Auto Parts. He was also a devoted caretaker of the Kiwanis Twin Lakes Children’s Camp from 1946 to 2000, always doing something.

In October of 1998, Bud was honored at a surprise dinner given by the alumni of the Kiwanis Twin Lakes Camp for Handicapped Children.

Wayne Gablin, co-director of the alumni camp, said that “without volunteers such as Bud Brown to help us, we could never have had this camp.”

In addition to fixing anything with bailing twine and duct tape, Bud was a surrogate father and confidant to the children and counselors alike.

He doctored sick turtles and wiped away children’s homesick tears. With his barn of spare parts, Bud had resources for every thing from a wobbly wheel chair to crumbling crutches.

Spare parts were something Bud knew about. He had undergone a kidney replacement, had an ankle pinned, a heart bypass, two cataract surgeries and, at 31 years, was one of the longest living kidney transplant survivors on record and one of the first in Indiana to have had home dialysis treatments. Bud had received his kidney from his brother, Carl “Bill” in a pioneer surgery.

He had a wonderful sense of humor that never was dimmed. Bud loved his grandkids, liked to fish in Wisconsin and Minnesota. He and Elizabeth enjoyed Florida, making many trips over the last 14 years to the North Ft. Myers area.

A member of the First United Church of Christ, Bud was also a member of the V.F.W. Post 1162 and the Kidney Foundation.

He is survived by Elizabeth, his devoted wife of over 57 years, and by their daughter, Susan M., and her husband, Dr. Dan Kubley, Roanoke Rapids, North Carolina, and their son, Robert D., and his wife Bev, Brown of Plymouth.
Eight grandchildren also survive, they are: A.J. Kubley, Tom and spouse Cindy Kubley, Mary Kubley, Anne McClelland, Teresa Brown, Elizabeth Brown, Michael Orlowski and Carrie Orlowski. Two sisters and a sister-in-law include Jeruldene Miller, Plymouth, Ind.; Betty Fairchild, Elkhart, Ind.; and Gwen Brown, Kokomo, Ind. along with numerous nieces and nephews.

Bud was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Jean Everdon and two brothers, Kenneth and Carl “Bill”.

Friends are invited to celebrate Bud’s life and service on Thursday, October 7, 2004, from 4 to 8 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, and at the First United Church of Christ, 312 N. Center St., Plymouth, on Friday, October 8, 2004 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m..

Funeral services for Bud, officiated by the Rev. John M. Gantt, will be held in the Church at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, October 8, 2004.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth where military services will be accorded him by Veterans of Foreign Wars, Marshall County Post 1162.

Memorial gifts in Bud’s memory may be made to the Kidney Foundation or the First United Church of Christ, or the Kiwanis Children’s Camp

Lisa Yvette Burch-Fear
Johnson & Danielson Funeral Home
Lisa Yvette Burch-Fear, Georgia Rd., Goshen, Ind., a Bremen-Goshen area resident most of her life, died at 2:59 p.m., on Saturday, September 25, 2004, in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne, Ind. Lisa died of natural causes; she was 43 years old.

Born in South Bend, Ind., on September 14, 1961, she was the daughter of Vernon Lee Burch and Naomi C. Conley (Burch) Niemier.

A 1981 graduate of Bremen High School, she attended IVY Tech and studied computer accounting.

She had worked for Lippert Components for many years, and was presently working for Cequent Towing Products in Goshen.

Lisa enjoyed doing yard work with commercial equipment and liked driving four-wheel drive trucks. She had fun being around her swimming pool with her granddaughter. She loved to plant trees and was a member of the Arbor Day Foundation.

A free spirit, she was a hard worker and was always on the go.

Lisa is survived by her daughter, Leah Y. Fear and her granddaughter, Autumn S. Lidgard, both of Nappanee.

Brett W. Abbott, the love of her life, of Goshen, also survives, together with her mother, Naomi C. Niemier, four sisters and two brothers.

Her siblings are: Valerie J. Ottow, Plymouth; Sheila A. and Ernest Turnage, Plymouth; Renita R. Van Deventer, South Bend; Sheri N. and Brian Masterson, Plymouth; Roger L. Burch, Plymouth and Keenan L. and Lisa Burch, LaPaz.

Many nieces, nephews and great-nieces and great-nephews survive as well.
She was preceded in death by her father.

Visitation with Lisa’s family will be from 4 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, September 28, 2004, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Lisa will be held in the funeral home at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, September 29, 2004. The Rev. Greg Bouck, of the Plymouth Wesleyan Church, will officiate.

Interment will be in the Tyner Cemetery, Tyner, Ind.

Memorial gifts in Lisa’s memory may be made to her family.

Velma M. Burns, 56, of 5848 West Channel Road, Warsaw, passed away Sunday, July 25, 2004 at 1:09 a.m. at Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw, Indiana.

She was born on November 16, 1947, in Plymouth, to Earl and Iris (Bishop) Cudney.

She married Leonard J. Burns on November 17, 1968 in Plymouth, Indiana. She was a wife, mother, and grandmother.

Velma is survived by her husband, Leonard; their daughters, Becky and Mark Snyder of Claypool, Indiana and Joyce and Joe Jones of Fort Wayne, Indiana; their sons, Leonard E. and Tina Burns of Radcliff, Kentucky, Lonnie Burns of Syracuse, Indiana, Chad and Lydia Burns of Phoenix, Arizona, and Mark Burns of Claypool, Indiana; her mother, Iris Cudney of Plymouth; her sisters, Sharon and Raymond Carlson of Teegarden, Indiana and Norma and Donald Fish of Plymouth; her brothers, Larry Cudney of Plymouth and Bruce and Pam Cudney of Elkhart; 13 grandchildren; and special friends Krisha and Ken Moore of Warsaw, Indiana and Patty Godeard of Bristol, Indiana.

Services will be held Wednesday, July 28, 2004, at 11:00 a.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home in Plymouth. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Visitation will be Tuesday, July 27, 2004 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth.

Carl (Buck) S. Burt, 71, of 12392 Olive Trail, Plymouth, passed away Monday, October 18, 2004 at 12:50 p.m. at his home in Plymouth.

He was born on December 21, 1932 in Nappanee, Indiana to Ralph and Isabelle (Wright) Burt.

He married Wilda Stubbs on January 31, 1957. Buck was a brick mason and a member of the Local # 4 in South Bend, Indiana. He served his country in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War as a Gunner's Mate Second Class.

Buck is survived by his wife, Wilda; their daughter, Marybeth Houin; their sons, William (BJ) and Becky Burt, and Rob Burt all of Plymouth; his sister, Rosie (Bud) Cartwright of Connersville, Indiana; and six grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a granddaughter, Brooke S. Burt and his sister, Sue Mitchell.

Memorial services will be held Thursday, October 21, 2004 at 11:00 a.m. at the Plymouth Baptist Church, Plymouth, with the Rev. Douglas Jividen officiating.

Visitation will be Thursday, October 21, 2004 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the Plymouth
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Baptist Church, 11345 9A Road, Plymouth, Indiana.

The family requests that memorial contributions be given to the Plymouth Baptist Church Building Project, 11345 9A Road Plymouth, Indiana, 46563.

Donald B. Caldwell

Donald B. Caldwell, a resident of Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth, since 1998, died at 12:00 p.m. on Friday, May 7, 2004. Don, 73, died of natural causes in St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Don was born April 6, 1931, in Kirklin, Ind., the son of Abraham and Florence Edna Smith Caldwell. He was a graduate of Akron High School, where his favorite subject was English. He also participated in sports while in high school.

He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean conflict. After serving his country, Don worked for 24 years at the Peabody Factory, where school furniture was manufactured.

Don was a member of the Trinity United Methodist Church, Plymouth, and the American Legion. He was a faithful reader of the daily newspaper, enjoyed watching television, and liked a good cup of coffee.

Don was preceded in death by his parents.

Visitation was Tuesday, May 11, 2004 from 10 to 11 a.m. at Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth. Funeral Services, officiated by the Rev. William Kaster, pastor of Trinity United Methodist Church, were held at 11:00 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial was in Akron Cemetery, Akron, Ind.

Maybelle A. Carney

Maybelle A. Carney, 89, of 4195 West Shore Drive, Bremen, passed away Wednesday, July 14, 2004 at 2:45 p.m. at Pilgrim Manor Nursing Home, in Plymouth.

She was born on August 21, 1914, in Chicago, to Walter and Agnes Wright.


Maybelle worked, as a clerk-typist, for Banker’s Life in Chicago.

Maybelle is survived by her daughter, Terri Mendlik of Bremen and her son Michael Carney of Schaumburg, Illinois. Also surviving are 12 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her son, Martin E. and her daughter, Mary Lou.

Services will be held Tuesday, July 20, 2004 at the Saint Patrick’s Catholic church in Elkhorn, Wisconsin. Burial will be at the Mount Olive Cemetery in Elkhorn. The Betts Funeral Home will be in charge of the services in Wisconsin.

Friends may call at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth, on Sunday, July 18, 2004 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

The family requests that memorial contributions be given to Marshall County Cancer.
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Roland F. Carr

Lifetime area resident Roland F. Carr, 69, died at his residence, 213 Pierce St., Plymouth, at 10:48 p.m. on Monday, January 5, 2004. Roland died, following an illness, under the loving care of his family and the Starke County Hospice.

He was born on October 30, 1934, in Rochester, Ind., the son of Lester H. and Effie C. Burkett Carr. He attended Rochester schools.

Roland served his country as a corporal in the United States Marine Corps during the Korean conflict.

On October 27, 1956, in Rochester, Roland and Margaret P. Moore were married. Margaret survives his death.

Roland retired in 1984, after 19 years of employment, from the Bendix Corp. in South Bend. In the 1970’s, he ran a trash route around the Lake of the Woods and he also worked as a tree trimmer for the H.W. Moore Tree Service in South Bend for 17 years.

He enjoyed hunting rabbits and squirrels and liked to fish. He was a fan of and followed professional wrestling on TV.

A member of the Christian faith, he had attended church services at the Pretty Lake United Methodist Church.

He was a member of the Rochester Eagles Lodge.

In addition to Margaret, his spouse of 47 years, Roland is survived by two daughters, their spouses and two sons.

His daughters are Roberta K. and Kurt Wunder and Robin C. and Kris Morcombe, both of Plymouth.

His sons are Roy A. Carr, Bourbon, and Roland F. Carr, Jr., Bremen.

Seven grandchildren and twelve great-grandchildren also survive.

Roland was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers, Marian “Bud” Carr and Lester “Les” Carr, Jr., and a sister, Hilda M. Thomas.

Friends will be welcomed by the family on Thursday, January 8, 2004, from 4 to 7 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, Ind.

Funeral services, conducted by the Revs. Charles Krieg, pastor of the Salem Methodist Church, Bremen, and Deb Peterson, pastor of the Union Church of the Brethren, Plymouth, will be held on Friday, January 9, 2004, at 11 a.m. in the funeral home.

Military graveside services will be provided by the Plymouth VFW, #1162, at New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Roland’s memory may be made to the Cancer Association or the American Lung Society.

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Edna L. Chandler

Edna L. Chandler, 92, of 4613 North Quince Road, Plymouth, Indiana, passed away Monday, September 13, 2004 at 12:18 a.m. in her home.
Edna was born on March 7, 1912, in Prairie County Kentucky, to John L. and Nancy Ann Messer Lampkins.

She was the owner of Edna's Beauty Shop, which was operated out of her home. Edna was a member of the Order of Eastern Star, Chapter #26 and a past member of the Tyner Rebekah Lodge. She helped Mildred Hurford with the Mental Health Association.

Edna and Chester A. Chadler were married on February 14, 1929, in Hazard, Kentucky. He passed away on July 1, 1999.

Edna is survived by her sons, Ralph W. and Joanne Chandler of Punta Gorda, Florida and Glen E. and Shirley Chandler of Dayton, Nevada. Also surviving are six grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Services will be Thursday, September 16, 2004, at 11:00 a.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, in Plymouth, with the Rev. David Inskeep officiating. Burial will be in the Tyner Cemetery, Tyner.

Visitation will be Wednesday, September 15, 2004 from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth.

The family requests that memorial contributions be given to the Marshall County Hospice, 112 North Center Street, Plymouth, Indiana, 46563.

Etta Mae Clark

Etta Mae Clark, 61, a Plymouth resident for the past 36 years, died after a long bout with cancer, at 7 p.m. on Friday, May 21, 2004. Etta who made her home at 1051 Pennsylvania Ave., died in the Pilgrim Manor Care Facility.

Etta, who loved working in sales with all types of people, will be greatly missed by her family and friends.

Born in Harrisburg, Ark., on September 13, 1942, she was the daughter of Miles and Cor Delia Williams Robb. She attended Arkansas schools and graduated from Ancilla College in 1982, with a business degree.


A licensed real estate agent, her career spanned over a 20-year period. She worked with Realty World, McCollough Real Estate Service and most recently, Masterson & Associates. She was a member of the North Central Indiana Board of Realtors and the Indiana and National Association of Realtors.

Etta enjoyed vegetable and flower gardening, hunting and fishing and was proud of her trophy buck.

A member of the Plymouth Women of the Moose No. 1355, she also was a member with her spouse, of the Steel Workers Organization of Active Retirees, Plymouth chapter.

Etta is survived by her husband, John, and their three daughters: Ramona D. and Bruce Cook, Plymouth; Rebecca J. and Arturo Belmontes, Bourbon; and Renee A. Clark, Plymouth.

Three grandchildren also survive: Alicia Crisp, Aaron Cook and Tyler Cook.
Six sisters survive as well. They are: Dorothy Love, Polk City, Fla.; Patricia and Dale Kitts, Jone Miller and Elfreda Robb, all of Plymouth; Shirley Carpenter, Bremen; and Claudia and Johnny Mullins, Tippecanoe.

Two brothers also survive: Marshall Robb, Kentland, Ind. and Anthony Robb, Bunkerhill, Ind., together with numerous nieces and nephews.

Etta was preceded in death by her parents and one brother, Melvin Robb.

Friends will be welcomed by the family at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, on Monday, May 24, 2004, from 5 to 7 p.m.

The Women of the Moose will conduct a memorial ritual service at 7 p.m. in the funeral home.

Etta’s funeral will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, May 25, 2004, in the funeral home. The Rev. Roger Dixon will officiate.

Interment will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Friends are welcomed to join the family at a Condolence Dinner at the Moose Lodge, 1225 W. Jefferson St., Plymouth, following funeral services.

Memorial gifts in Etta’s memory may be made to the Marshall County Hospice or the Cancer Association.

B. Elaine Clayton

B. Elaine Clayton, 71, a resident of Miller’s Merry Manor, 600 Oakhill Ave., Plymouth, for the past 20 years, died there of natural causes at 11:20 a.m. on Friday, November 26, 2004.

Elaine was born in Plymouth on April 25, 1933. She was the daughter of George R. and D. Ethel Pearish Clayton. She attended Plymouth schools.

A homemaker, she was an excellent seamstress. Artistically creative, prior to an injury which left her disabled, she loved to draw and design.

Elaine is survived by one daughter, Leslie Resendez, a sister, Beverly J. Baltes, Plymouth, also survives together with two nephews, Jamie Clayton, Walkerton and Ronnie Baltes, Knox. Three nieces, Cindy Sneed, Nappanee; Bonnie Hardesty and Karen Baltes, both of Plymouth survive as well, together with several cousins.

Elaine was preceded in death by her parents and Robert “Butch” L. Clayton, a brother who died this past October 11th.

Graveside services will be held on Monday, November 29, 2004, at 1 p.m. in the Tippecanoe Cemetery located on St. Road 331 South. The Rev. Douglas Jividen, pastor of the Plymouth Baptist Church will officiate.

Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., is assisting in arrangements.

Interment will be in the Tippecanoe Cemetery, Tippecanoe, Ind.

Memorial gifts in Elaine’s memory may be made to the Marshall County Hospice.
Robert L. (Butch) Clayton, 67, of 7711 7B Road, Plymouth, passed away Monday, October 11, 2004 at 8:45 p.m. in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

He was born on July 26, 1937 in LaPorte, Indiana to George and Ethel (Pearish) Clayton.

He is survived by his son, Jamie (Sharon) Clayton of Walkerton; his companion, Ruth Fall of Plymouth; his sister, Beverly Baltes of Plymouth; and five grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his daughter Kathy and his son Jody.

There will be no visitation or services.

James E. Collins, 48, of 413 Thayer Street, Plymouth, Indiana, passed away Wednesday, December 15, 2004 in Peru, Indiana, due to an accidental death.


He was a member of the Moose Lodge and the Eagles, both in Plymouth. He was working for Kaser-Spraker Construction, out of Elkhart, Indiana, as a supervisor. He was an avid Nascar fan.

Jim is survived by his wife, Mindy; their sons, Ty Henson and A.J. Collins of Plymouth, his mother, Luella Collins of Plymouth; his brothers, Randy and Jackie Collins, Bill and Laura Collins, and Tom Collins, all of Plymouth; and his sister, Debra Noyer of Tennessee. He was preceded in death by his father, James A. Collins, his brother, Steven, and his sister, Kathy.

Services will be held Monday, December 20, 2004, at 11:00 a.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, in Plymouth, with the Rev. Charles Krieg officiating. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Visitation will be Sunday, December 19, 2004, from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth, Indiana.

The family requests that memorial contributions be given to the American Diabetes Association, 7363 East 21st Street, Indianapolis, Indiana, 46219 or to the Marshall County Hospice, 112 South Center Street, Plymouth, Indiana, 46563.

Kathy K. Collins, 46, of New Orleans, Louisiana. Born and raised in Plymouth, Kathy was a free-spirit who loved people and enjoyed life. Her beautiful smile will be missed by all who knew and loved her.

Left to cherish her memory is a son Casey and granddaughter Madison of Louisiana. Her mother Louella Powell of Plymouth. One sister Debra of Tennessee, and four brothers; Jim (Mindyl), Randy (Jackie), Bill (Laura), and Tom all of Plymouth. Along with loving nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

Kathy was preceded in death by one brother Steven.

Friends and family are invited to share in the celebration of Kathy’s life on Saturday, November 27th in the Eagles Lodge, 404 W. LaPorte St., Plymouth. A memorial service will begin at 11 a.m. and a time of sharing will follow until 3 p.m. The Rev. Steven Resner will officiate.
In lieu of flowers memorial gifts may be made to the family to provide for Kathy’s memorial to be placed in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

**Patricia (Jung) Cook**

Patricia “Pat” (Jung) Cook, 1011 N. Center Street, Plymouth, died in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth, following an extended illness, at 8:15 a.m., on Saturday, July 24, 2004. She was 69 years old and had lived most of her life in Marshall County.

Pat was born in Grand Rapids, Michigan, on February 1, 1935. She was the daughter of H.E.G. and M. Grace Hutchinson Clarke.

She attended Argos schools with the class of 1953.

In Argos, she was married to Thomas S. Jung on September 20, 1952. Thomas died on March 10, 1974. On January 28, 1984, Pat and Charles F. Cook were married in Plymouth. Charles died on July 4, 1989.

A homemaker and mother foremost, she had worked for a time as a nurse’s aide for Parkview Hospital. She was a legal secretary for her brother, R. Alexis Clarke and later a Homemaker for the Marshall County Welfare Dept., teaching clients how to set up a household. Most recently she served as a cook for the Marshall County Sheriff’s Department.

Her family and her grandchildren were her most beloved interests. She loved all children and was a mom and grandma to many outside her family and was a foster parent of two.

She loved music and especially enjoyed playing the piano. With an appreciation for art, she sketched and drew pictures and has a vast collection of Snow White & the Seven Dwarfs figurines.

Pat attended the Plymouth First United Methodist Church, was a Campfire Leader and in her young adult life had been a former Rainbow Girl. She was a member of the Business and Professional Women’s Club, the Twins Club, the PTA and the Women of the Moose, Lodge 1355. She was also involved in the development of the original ‘City Directory.’

Her children are: Laura J. and Bob Lappin, Plymouth; Kathy A. and Don Parker, Plymouth, Teresa S. and Terry Long, Argos, Ind., Thomas S. and Mary Jo Jung II, Burleson, Texas, Stephen C. and Deb Jung, Plymouth, Candy C. and Brent Wainscott, Warsaw.

Two step-sons; Todd Cook, Plymouth and Thad Cook of Fla.

Thirteen grandchildren, five great-grandchildren and several step-grandchildren survive as well, together with two brothers, William C. and Rose Mary Clarke, Indianapolis and Eric G. and Esther Clarke, San Pedro, Calif.

A sister-in-law, Sally Ann Clarke, Plymouth, and two brothers-in-law, Kenneth and Cleone Jung, Grand Rapids, Mich., and Keith and Mary Jung, Des Moines, Iowa, also survive.

Pat was preceded in death by her parents, spouses and a son, John Eric Jung. Also, two brothers, Jack Clarke and R. Alexis Clarke and a sister, Joyce Drubert.

Visitation with the family will be from 4 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, July 27, 2004, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Pat will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, July 28, 2004, in the funeral home.
Robert “Bob” Cook, 83, a lifetime Plymouth resident, died suddenly, of natural causes, at 8:27 a.m., Friday, January 30, 2004. Bob died at his home, 7238 Lilac Road, Plymouth.

A friendly and familiar fixture in the city of Plymouth, Bob Cook was born here on November 1, 1920. He was the son of Fredrick and Cecile (Chase) Cook.

He graduated from Plymouth High School in 1938 and went to work at the C.L. Morris Lumber Co.

Four years later, during W.W. II, in 1942, he enlisted in the United States Navy. He served as a signalman on a Liberty Ship, the armed guard of the Navy. He handled communications within the fleet of transport vessels that supplied the armed forces with landing craft, K rations, rifles and medical supplies.

On D-Day, while Bob rode the choppy waves offshore of Omaha Beach, his lifelong friend, Sam Shaffer, crawled the hedge rows of St. Lo.

A civilian again, Bob and Margaret McKee were married on July 25, 1948, in Plymouth.

He worked for the C.L. Morris Lumber Co. for 28 years. As a high school kid he had earned 20 cents an hour there and was tickled to get it. In 1969, went to work for the Young Door Company where he remained for the next 20 years.

Up until a couple of years ago, for 11 years, Bob and Sam, together again, worked as “The Widder’s Friends.” They volunteered their time and talents: putting up screens, cutting off doors, whatever the ladies needed.

Bob’s pride and joy was his beautiful lawn. He enjoyed doing yard work and his favorite pastime was mowing the lawn. A Green Bay Packers’ fan, he had great times with his family and fun on Canadian fishing trips.

He was a member of American Legion Post #27.

Bob is survived by Margaret, his devoted wife of 55 years and their two children: Marcia A. Cook and David A. Cook, all of Plymouth.

Several nieces and nephews survive as well.

Bob was preceded in death by his parents; Betty Rinard-Merley, a sister; and Charles Cook, a brother.

Friends may call on Sunday, February 1, 2004, from 2 to 6 p.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Bob will be on Monday, February 2, 2004, at 10:30 a.m. in the funeral home. The Rev. David Kerkove, pastor of the Plymouth Church of the Brethren will officiate.
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Military graveside honor services will be provided by the Plymouth VFW Post 1162.

Interment will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Bob’s memory may be made to the American Heart Association or to a charity of the donor’s choice.

Wayne A. Couts

Wayne A. Couts, 46, died of a sudden heart attack at 8:17 p.m. on Saturday, June 5, 2004. A resident of 6221 S.R. 17, Plymouth, Wayne died in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center.

Born January 18, 1958, in Knox, Ind., Wayne was the son of Harold P. Couts and Edna H. Miles. He was a 1976 graduate of Plymouth High School.

Wayne was a detailer for the Country Auto dealers for Chevrolet and Cadillac.

He loved working on cars, old or new. He enjoyed NASCAR events and being with his family and was a fan of television.

Wayne is survived by Wanda Ferreira, his girl friend of 17 years and by his daughter, Jennifer Couts, and his son Jarrod Couts, all of Plymouth.

A sister, Marilyn Couts, Plymouth, also survives.

Wayne was preceded in death by his father and his mother.

Friends will be welcomed warmly by Wayne’s family on Monday, June 7, 2004, from 4 to 8 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Wayne will be held in the funeral home on Tuesday, June 8, 2004, at 10:30 a.m.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Hazel L. Crabb

Hazel L. Crabb, 89, a long-time resident of Argos, died of natural causes in the Brown County Health and Living Community where she had been living, at 10:30 p.m., Sunday, November 28, 2004.

A loving friend, mother and grandmother, Hazel will be remembered and missed.

Born in Bremen on March 2, 1915, Hazel was the daughter of Fredrick and Caroline Grimm Renas. She graduated from Bourbon High School.

In 1933, Hazel and Ernest Crabb were married. Ernest died on September 3, 1972.

Self-employed, the couple owned the Crabb Furniture Store in Argos, Indiana. She then worked at the Wagon Wheel after selling the store.

A member of the Plymouth Wesleyan Church, at one time, Hazel was very active in the workings of the church.

She is survived by two sons: Glen Crabb, Bloomington, Ind., and Larry Crabb, Granger, Ind.

Five grandchildren and several great-grandchildren also survive her death.
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Hazel was preceded in death by her parents, her husband and a grandson. Two sisters, Mae I. Luty and Ruth Renas and a brother, Howard Renas, also has died.

Friends are invited to visit with the family to share their memories on Wednesday, December 1, 2004, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, from 1 to 2 p.m. prior to funeral services at 2 o’clock in the funeral home.

Greg Bouck, a pastor of the Plymouth Wesleyan Church will officiate for Hazel’s service.

Burial will be in Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Hazel's memory may be made to the Plymouth Wesleyan Church.

Callie C. Culter, 106, of 730 School Street, Culver, Indiana, passed away Sunday, August 8, 2004 at 11:28 a.m. in Miller's Merry Manor, Culver.

She was born on June 26, 1898, in Culver, to John and Byrdie (Snider) Hawk.


Callie was a member of the Grace United Church of Christ, Culver, a 50 year member of the Eastern Star, Culver, and was also a member of the Maxinkuckee Rebekah Lodge, Culver. She was the first female telephone operator, in Culver. She later worked as a maid for the Culver Military Academy.

Callie is survived by her daughters, Virginia Baker Booker of Plymouth, and Shirley Clark of Springfield, Illinois; seven grandchildren, Denna Langfeldt of Garrett, Indiana, Arlene and Chris Batalis of South Bend, Indiana, Richard Baker of Indianapolis, Indiana, Dr. Andrew Clark of Springfield, Illinois, Ann and Kevin Shea of Springfield, Illinois, Mathew Clark of Florida, and Lt. Stuart and Kelly Clark of Fort Riley, Kansas; 18 great-grandchildren; a special great-grandchild, Connie Derry, of Culver, who help with Callie’s care; and 14 great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her great-grandchild, April Baker, her two sisters, and her brother.

Services will be held Thursday, August 12, 2004 at 2:00 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home in Plymouth, with Rev. Paul Nye officiating. Burial will be in the Culver Masonic Cemetery, Culver.

Visitation will be Thursday, August 12, 2004 from Noon to 2:00 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth.

The family requests that memorial contributions be given to Grace United Church of Christ, 307 North Plymouth Street, Culver, Indiana, 46511.

Dolores M. Dague, 87, 609 West Tanglewood Lane, Mishawaka, Ind., died of natural causes in Fountain View Place at 1:30 a.m. on Tuesday, April 6, 2004.

Born in Bremen, Ind., on September 6, 1917, Dolores was the daughter of Louis and Nellie Heminger Wolfgang.

On December 20, 1935, in Plymouth, Dolores and Kenneth C. Dague were married. Kenneth
died on December 4, 1987.

A homemaker, Dolores enjoyed crocheting, knitting and sewing. She loved her dogs and was an accomplished vegetable gardener.

An adventurous person, after her husband died, she, at the age of 70, recognizing the need, got her first driver’s license.

She is survived by Glenice Bennett, a niece, living in Osceola, Ind., a grand-niece, Karen Meister, in Mishawaka and a sister, Hazel Treesh, also an Osceola resident. Several other great-nieces and nephews survive as well.

Dolores was preceded in death by her parents, her husband and by brothers Carl, Ralph, Paul, Richard and Audrey Wolfgang.

Visitation will be from 11 to 1 p.m. on Thursday, April 8, 2004, in the New Oakhill Cemetery Chapel.

Funeral services will follow visitation at 1 p.m. in the Chapel on Thursday, April 8, 2004. The Rev. Charles Krieg, pastor of the Salem United Methodist Church, Bremen, will officiate.

Interment will be in Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth, Ind.

Memorial gifts in Dolores’ memory may be made to the American Heart Association.

Gertrude M. Daugherty, 79, of Michigan Road, Plymouth, died of natural causes, after a long illness, at 10:20 a.m. on Monday, March 29, 2004, in Elkhart General Hospital, Elkhart, Ind.

Gertrude was born in Grundy, Va., on February 22, 1925. She was the daughter of Henry Clay Meadows and Alta Meada Stiltner.

On August 17, 1943, she and Lazarus Daughtery were married. She was always proud of her husband, a coal miner for over 30 years. Lazarus died on August 2, 1984.

A housewife and homemaker, Gertrude also worked at Pilgrim Farms during the early 1970s.

She enjoyed doing things for her family of ten children: cooking, sewing, gardening and the necessary chores in raising a large family.

Gertrude loved to travel, she had visited most of the Southeast, Southwest, and Midwest areas of the United States.

Gertrude is survived by her ten children. They and their spouses are: Franklin(Sandy) Daugherty, Ohio; Vinia and Troy Helton, Walkerton; Larry (Linda) Daugherty, Kentucky; Gladys Heiman, South Carolina; Jerry Daugherty, Plymouth; Vivian and Bill Britton, Plymouth; Terry Daugherty, LaPaz; Elden Daugherty, Nappanee; Walter Daugherty, Florida and Velvie Dominguez, Bourbon.

Eighteen grandchildren and 28 great-grandchildren survive as well.

Five sisters also survive. They are Clarcy Meadows, Sarah Meadows, Opal Meadows, Elsie Biesemeyer and Evelyn Farmer.

Gertrude was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, two brothers, a sister and a
granddaughter.

Friends may visit with Gertrude’s family from 3 to 8 p.m. Friday, April 2, 2004 in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, and one hour prior to services on Saturday.

Funeral services, officiated by Ralph Dotson, of Claypool Full Gospel Tabernacle, will be Saturday, April 3, 2004 at 11:00 A.M. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, Indiana.

Interment will be in the Akron Cemetery, Akron, Ind.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, Marshall Co. Unit.

Evelyn J. Davis

Evelyn J. Davis, Klinger Ave., Plymouth, an area resident most of her life, died of natural causes in Miller's Merry Manor at 2:35 a.m. on Thursday, September 24, 2004. She was 88 years old.

Born in Bristol, Ind., on August 1, 1916, Evelyn was the daughter of Albert and Josephine Campbell Drake. She graduated from Tyner High School with the class of 1935.

On November 15, 1938, in Fulton, Ind., Evelyn and Raymond L. Davis were married. Raymond died on the 29th of June, 2003.

For several years, Evelyn had worked as a cafeteria employee for the Plymouth Community Schools.

She enjoyed traveling and was a longtime member of the Wally Byam Airstream Club.

Evelyn is survived by two daughters: Judy and Bob Trier, Kendallville, Ind., Teressa and Tom Wellborn, Argos, Ind.

Eight grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren survive as well, together with one brother: Albertus and Della Drake, Florida; one sister: Annabell Miller, Tyner, Ind. a sister-in-law: Beatrice Drake of Tyner, Ind. and several nieces and nephews.

Evelyn was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, a daughter, Charlene Hoffer in 1988, and three brothers and three sisters.

Friends will be welcomed by her family to celebrate Evelyn’s life at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, on Monday, September 27, 2004, from 4 to 7 p.m.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, September 28, 2004, in the funeral home. The Rev. William Kaster, of the Trinity United Methodist Church, where she was a member, will officiate.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Gifts in memory of Evelyn may be made to the Trinity United Methodist Church’s Elevator Fund.

Charles H. Dennison

Charles H. “Chuck” Dennison, of 2662 Michigan Road, Plymouth, died at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, July 10, 2004 in his home, after a courageous battle with cancer.
Chuck was born in Westin, West Virginia, on January 18, 1929, the son of Herbert and Grace Westfall Dennison.

He served seventeen years in the military, three years in the U.S. Marine Corps and fourteen years in the U.S. Air Force. After leaving the military, Chuck worked as a Track Foreman on the railroad for fifteen years.

On April 1, 1973, Chuck married Marsha Manuel in Navasota, Texas.

Chuck is survived by his wife Marsha, five daughters, two sons, twenty grandchildren, twenty-one great grandchildren, one brother, and three sisters.

Family services will be held at Graceland Cemetery, Claypool, Indiana.

Charlotte L. Dietl, 88, of Pilgrim Nursing Home, 222 Parkview Street, Plymouth, Indiana, passed away, Wednesday, August 18, 2004 at 2:20 a.m.

She was born September 17, 1915, in Indianapolis, Indiana, to Jesse and Mattie Myers Henderson.

Charlotte and Clarence Dietl, were married, in Los Angeles, California, on December 2, 1944. Clarence passed away on January 25, 1995.

She was a member of the Order of Eastern Star, Saint Thomas Episcopal Church, and was a veteran of the Navy. She had been a resident of Plymouth since 1944.

Survivors include; her nephew, Ernest "Wayne" and Janice Henderson of Fishers, Indiana; her niece, Wanda Ruth Henderson-Greenawalt of Indianapolis; and her sister-in-law, Betty L. Henderson of Indianapolis. She was preceded in death by her husband, Clarence; her son, Ronald D. Dietl (1947); and her brothers, David and Jesse Henderson.

Graveside services will be Friday, August 20, 2004, at 11:00 a.m., at Washington Park East Cemetery, in Indianapolis. There will be no visitation.

Memorials may be made to Saint Thomas Episcopal Church, 412 North Center Street, Plymouth, Indiana, 46563.

Jack D., Sr. Dixon, 59, a resident at 7480 Plymouth-LaPorte Trail for the past seven months, has died. Jack recently returned home from Florida where he lived for over 20 years.

Jack died of natural causes at 8:44 p.m. on Thursday, March 4, 2004, in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Mishawaka.

He was born in Plymouth on January 13, 1945, the son of Cecil and Agnes Luse Dixon. He attended Plymouth schools.

Jack worked as a maintenance man on condominiums in Florida. He liked to fish and enjoyed a good glass of beer. His favorite pastime was being with his children and grandchildren.

He is survived by his three children: Jack D. Dixon, Jr., Mishawaka, Ind., and daughters, Shelly and Jacqueline.
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Six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren also survive, together with three sisters and three brothers.

His brothers are: Richard L. Dixon and Joe Dixon, both of Plymouth, and James and Amy Dixon of Mishawaka.

His sisters are: Dora Ann and Ray Van Blaricom of Plymouth, Sandra and Charlie Miller of LaPaz, and Joyce and Mark Arndt of Osceola, Ind.

Jack was preceded in death by his parents and a daughter, Tina Dixon.

Visitation and sharing of happy memories with the family will be held on Monday, March 8, 2004, from 4 to 8 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services, officiated by the Rev. Charles Krieg, pastor of the Salem United Methodist Church, Bremen, Ind., will be held in the funeral home at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 9, 2004.

Interment will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth, Ind.

Memorial gifts in Jack’s memory may be made to a charity of the donor’s choice.

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Glen L. R. Dodson, 56, of 305 South Harris, Bourbon, Indiana, passed away Tuesday, August 17, 2004 at 1:25 p.m. in Goshen Hospital, Goshen, Indiana.

He was born on December 13, 1947, in Plymouth, to George and Olive (Schroder) Dodson.

He married Connie Wagoner on December 10, 1967, in Plymouth, Indiana.

Glen was a 1966 graduate of Plymouth High School. He served his country, in the Army, during Vietnam.

Glen is survived by his wife, Connie; their son, Lane and Samantha Dodson of Plymouth; their daughter, Tara Dodson of Bourbon; along with his brothers, Robert Dodson of Bremen, Ronald Dodson of Plymouth, and Dale Dodson of Plymouth; his sisters, Margaret Roahrig of Plymouth, Marilyn Bartsch of Wisconsin, Jancie Dodson of Wisconsin, and Rita Dodson of Fort Wayne. Also surviving are two grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his brothers, Keith, Ed, and Walt; and by three infants.

Services will be held Saturday, August 21, 2004 at 11:30 a.m. at Mount Pleasant Church of the Brethren, Bourbon, with the Rev. Ray Brown officiating. Burial will be in the Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

Visitation will be Saturday, August 21, 2004 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Mount Pleasant Church of the Brethren, 10th Road, Bourbon.

Van Gilder Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Dodson family.
Keith (Smokey) Drake

Keith (Smokey) Drake, 83, of 4491 Sycamore Road, Walkerton, passed away Sunday, August 1, 2004 at 12:42 p.m. at his home in Walkerton, Indiana.

He was born on June 5, 1921 in Bristol, Indiana, to Albert and Josephine (Campbell) Drake.

Keith married Beatrice Jackson on July 4, 1941, in Walkerton, at Saint Patrick's Catholic Church. They had been married for 63 years. They have lived, in Tyner, for the past 60 years.

Keith had been a member of the Tyner I.O.O.F. Lodge # 821, for the past 55 years, and was active in the lodge. He donated the land, on which the lodge now sets. He was instrumental in getting the Polk Township Volunteer Fire Department started. Smokey enjoyed helping others in any way that he could. He ran an excavating and trucking service. When he first started out in business, he had business cards made that read, "Drake's Sand and Gravel". After he passed out those cards, he never had to have any more made. People just knew Smokey, and passed the word, about "a job well done".

Keith is survived by his wife, Bea; their daughter, Sharon and David Leathers of LaPorte, and their granddaughter, Katie and Adam Gilvin of South Carolina. Also surviving are his sisters; Annabelle Miller of Walkerton and Evelyn Davis of Plymouth; and his brother, Albertus Drake of Florida.

Services will be held Thursday, August 5, 2004 at 11:00 a.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, Plymouth, with Father Mike Winkowski officiating. Burial will be in the Tyner Cemetery, Tyner, Indiana.

Visitation will be Wednesday, August 4, 2004 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth. There will be an I.O.O.F. Memorial Service held at 7:00 p.m., at the funeral home, on Wednesday.

The family requests that memorial contributions be given to Marshall County Hospice or to the Polk Township Fire Department.

Rita M. Dyer

Rita M. Dyer, 83, of 635 Oak Hill Avenue, Plymouth, Indiana, passed away Saturday, November 6, 2004 at 6:25 p.m. in Miller's Merry Manor, Plymouth.

She was born on September 29, 1921 in Ambridge, Pennsylvania to Anthony and Stella Osmanski.


Rita was a member of the Plymouth Baptist Church and a former member of the Women of the Moose.

Rita is survived by her daughters, Helen Marsh of Plymouth, Aulgie (John) Cudney of LaPorte, Indiana, and Colleen (Jim) Wickard of Plymouth; her son, Allen Dyer of Argos, Indiana; five grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her daughter, Valerie Toothman, an infant son, Vallen Jr., and her sister, Helen.

Services will be held Wednesday, November 10, 2004 at 11.00 a.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home in Plymouth, with the Rev. Douglas Jividen and the Rev. Nathan Babcock officiating. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.
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Visitation will be Tuesday, November 9, 2004 from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth.

The family requests that memorial contributions be given to Saint Jude Children's Research Hospital, 332 North Lauderdale, Memphis, Tennessee, 38105.

Ernest Ellsworth Emmons, 85, Oak Road, Plymouth, died suddenly of natural causes, at 10:24 a.m. on Saturday, September 11, 2004, in St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth after becoming ill at his home.

Ernie had been a Marshall County resident since 1951.

He had a love of family and a zest for life that will long be remembered.

He was born in LaPaz, Ind., the son of Sherman E. Sr. and Thelma C. Wright Emmons, on October 15, 1918. He graduated from LaPaz High School in 1937.

In World War II, he served in the United States Navy as a Motor Machinist's Mate 3rd Class from 1944 to 1946.

He met his sweetheart, Isabel M. Moore of Nappanee at a Lake of the Woods dance and they were married on September 28, 1940 in Nappanee. They would have celebrated their 64th wedding anniversary in just over two weeks.

Ernie was first employed in the early 1940s with the Studebaker Motors assembly line prior to leaving for the service. After his return he worked for the company until they closed. He then worked for the Radio Furniture Mart and Able Service Company in refrigerator repair, both in South Bend, until his retirement in 1981.

An outdoorsman, he loved the game of golf, hunting, and fishing local lakes.

Ernie's grandchildren were the loves of his life. He enjoyed doing yard work with his wife and was involved in many other activities that they routinely did together. For many years he was a league bowler in LaPaz.

A member of the Blissville Church of the Brethren since 1984, he served as an Elder and Deacon.

He also was a former active member of Moose Lodge 741.

Ernie is survived by his wife and by a son and daughter-in-law, Richard A. and Diane Emmons, Granger. A grandson, Brian A. and Debbie Emmons, of Zionsville, Ind., and a granddaughter, Kristene M. and Robert Corbin of Indianapolis, survive as well, with five great-grandchildren; Peyton, Justin, Jessica, Sierra and Heather.

Four brothers include; Sherman E. Emmons, Jr., Bedford, Ind.; Dennis L. and Maggie Emmons, Plymouth; Lowell and Donella Emmons, LaPaz; and Guy K. Emmons, Rockville, Ind. along with two sisters; Wilma Wagoner-Renforth of Plymouth and Joyce Mutz of California.

Numerous nieces and nephews survive as well.

Ernie was preceded in death by his parents and three brothers. They are Ward, David and Everett Emmons.
Visitors will be welcomed by the family from 4 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, September 14, 2004, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, Ind., and for one-hour prior to services at the church on Wednesday.

Funeral services for Ernie will be at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, September 15, 2004, in the Blissville Church of the Brethren, 6250 Spruce Trail, Plymouth. The Rev. Jimmy Baker, pastor of the church, will officiate.

The V.F.W., Marshall Co. Post 1162, will honor Ernie’s service to his country, with graveside services at Fair Cemetery, North Liberty, Ind.

Memorial gifts may be made to the American Heart Association or to the Blissville Church of the Brethren.

Grace K. Falconbury  
Johnson & Danielson Funeral Home

Grace K. Falconbury, 78, of 501 Pennsylvania Ave., died on Friday, May 21, 2004, at 7:15 p.m. She died of natural causes at Our Lady of Peace Hospital, South Bend. Grace had lived in the Plymouth area since she was five years old.

Born in Plymouth on March 18, 1926, Grace was the daughter of Conley and Sarah E. Sullivan Everdon. She graduated from Plymouth High School in 1945.


For eight years Grace worked for Schlosser Brothers Creamery. She then worked as a popular sales clerk for Bosworth’s Department Store for 31 years.

An avid reader, she enjoyed family events and working outside in her garden. She collected angels and had an extensive and lovely assortment.

Grace is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Kathleen “Kathy” G. and Dan Ambrose of Grovertown, Ind.

A brother, Joseph Everdon, Hermon, Mo., a sister-in-law, Beverly Falconbury of Plymouth, a special niece, Karen Everdon of South Bend, and several other nieces and nephews survive as well.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, a sister, Mary Lawmaster and a brother, Jack Everdon.

Visitation will be on Tuesday, May 25, 2004, from 4 to 8 p.m., at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, Ind.

Funeral services for Grace will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 26, 2004, in the funeral home.

Interment will be in Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth, Ind.

Memorial gifts in Grace’s memory may be made to the Marshall County Cancer or Marshall County Heart Associations.

Everett D. Feese  
VanGilder Funeral Home

Everett D. Feese, 88, of 103 East Monroe Street, Plymouth, Indiana, passed away Monday, November 1, 2004 at 12:09 a.m. at his home in Plymouth.
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He was born on June 9, 1916 in Starke County, Indiana, to Henry and Fannie (Ransbottom) Feece.

Everett and Doris Yost were married on July 16, 1939. She passed away on November 16, 1997. They moved to Plymouth in 1976.

Everett worked for the Norfolk and Western Railroad as a roadmaster. He attended the Grace Baptist Church in Plymouth. Everett enjoyed hunting and fishing.

He is survived by his son, Everett B. and Pat Feece of Plymouth; his daughters, Sharon and Curtis Reid of Cadillac, Michigan, and Pat and Mike Tarnow of Vancouver, Washington; two sisters, Aletha Croy of North Liberty, Indiana and Florence Haney of South Bend, Indiana; seven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, November 4, 2004 at 11:00 a.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home in Plymouth, with the Rev. Peter Wardlow and the Rev. Thomas Padberg officiating. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Visitation will be Wednesday, November 3, 2004 from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth.

The family requests that, in lieu of flowers, memorial contributions be given to Marshall County Hospice, 112 South Center Street, Plymouth, Indiana, 46563.

Joshua Michael Edward Fisher

Joshua “Josh” Michael Edward Fisher, died too young, too soon. He was 15 days away from celebrating his 17th birthday.

Tragically, the popular Plymouth High School junior died at 7:55 p.m. Tuesday night, March 2, 2004, from injuries caused by an automobile accident Sunday evening, February 29, 2004. Hospitalized in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne, Ind., Josh died with his parents and his youngest brother, Nick, at his side.

It is an agonizing loss to his family, his friends and to all who knew him.

Josh, known among his friends as “Big Fish,” was a gentle giant with a sweet disposition. During his few years, he showed endearing qualities of friendliness, sincerity and compassion for others.

Born in South Bend on March 17, 1987, Josh was the oldest son of Michael Anthony and Jo Ann Whitesell Fisher. He attended St. Michael's Catholic School and Menominee Elementary School and was presently a junior in Plymouth High School Class of 2005.

Enthusiastic, with a love of life, he did his best at everything he was involved with: especially sports. He was an all-around athlete. He loved basketball and baseball but his passion was football. He and his family were heavily involved in the Marshall Co. Junior Football League and in high school he played center and defensive tackle on the JV team. His dream was to play for the University of Miami, Pro ball and then coach. He had a special admiration for Lou Holtz.

He had played baseball since he was one-year-old. He collected baseball cards and sported memorabilia of such idols as “Shoeless” Joe Jackson and the “Big Hurt” Frank Thomas.

In basketball, Josh served as manager for the varsity team his freshman year and, as a sophomore, he played on the high school JV team and in the Plymouth Summer Basketball League.
He was a member of St. Michael’s Roman Catholic Church and practiced his faith by having no barriers to friendships. A volunteer at the Boys & Girls Club, he was a mentor to many younger children and enjoyed working with area kids. He openly supported the Right To Life.

Josh loved electronic games and all kinds of music. He had sung in the school choir since the 6th grade to the present time.

Very close to his younger brothers, he followed their activities faithfully and was a loving “big brother” to them and others.

Josh is survived by his loving parents: his mother, Jo Ann and his father, Mike, both of Plymouth; and by two younger brothers, Benjamin Joseph Wayne Fisher, a 7th grader and Nickolas Derrick James Fisher, a 6th grader, all at home at 10557 Muckshaw Road, Plymouth.

His maternal grandparent, Barbara A. Boggs and paternal grandparents, Anthony M. and Olive E. Fisher, all of Plymouth and Marjorie Reinholt, a maternal great-grandmother of Logansport also survive along with numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

Josh was preceded in death by grandparents Bill Massey, Okle Whitesell, Leah Hunnicutt, Lavon Reinholt and Dale Boggs.

Visitation and sharing of memories of Josh with his family will be on Sunday, March 7, 2004, from 1 to 8 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, Ind. At 7:30 p.m. a Scripture Service will be held.

A Mass of Christian Burial will take place on Monday, March 8, 2004, at 11 a.m. in St. Michael’s Roman Catholic Church, 625 N. Center Street, Plymouth. The Rev. Father William Kummer will officiate.

Interment will be in St. Michael’s Catholic Cemetery, Plymouth.

Josh will always be loved and remembered. Donations in his memory to the Josh Fisher Memorial Fund, First Federal Bank, P.O. Box 159, Plymouth, Ind., will assist the family with expenses and preserving his memory.

Joseph T. Fleszewski, 88, of 20777 North Lake Drive, Walkerton, Indiana, passed away Monday, August 23, 2004 at 9:03 a.m. at his home, in Walkerton.

He was born November 5, 1915, in Hazel Green, Wisconsin, to Joseph and Jozefa (Stasiak) Fleszewski, Sr.

He was married to Irene Fabisiak. She has passed away. He retired from U. S. Steel, in Chicago, as a boilermaker. He had been living, in Walkerton, for the past 20 years. He was a member of Saint Patrick’s Catholic Church, in Walkerton.

Joseph is survived by his sons, Robert and Richard Fleszweski, both of South Holland, Illinois; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held, in Chicago, at a later date.

Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth, Indiana, is in charge of the local arrangements.
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Seven grandchildren, two great-grandchildren and a brother, Angelo Raffaele, Jr., Scottsdale, Ariz., survive as well.

Lucille’s parents, her husband and a daughter, Nora Mae France, preceded her in death together with a brother, Reedy Matthews.

Friends will be welcomed to visit with the family from 4 to 7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 4, 2004, at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1110 N. Michigan St., Plymouth. An Eastern Star service will be held at 7 p.m. that evening.

Funeral services for Lucille will be at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, May 5, 2004, in the funeral home. The Rev. William Kaster, pastor of the Trinity United Methodist Church, will officiate.

Interment will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth, Ind.

Memorial gifts in Lucille’s memory may be made to the Trinity United Methodist Youth Group.

Lenora R. Franklin

Lenora R. Franklin, 94, 3976 Michigan Rd., living in Plymouth since 1957 having come from South Bend, died, after an extended illness, at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, December 2, 2004. Lenora died in Pilgrim Manor Nursing Home where she had been a patient for the past three months.

Born in Worthington, Ind., on September 26, 1910, Lenora was the daughter of Jesse Lee and Clara Fiscus Reece. She was a member of the Baptist Faith and attended schools in Terre Haute, Ind.

On May 19, 1930, Lenora and Sandy L. Franklin were married in South Bend. Sandy died on October 24, 1996.

Lenora first worked at Ball Band in Mishawaka. She continued to work throughout her life at home and in the community serving as a cook for several years in area nursing homes; then retiring from Pilgrim Manor.

She raised chickens and at one time having 1,500 laying hens on their North Michigan Road property, selling eggs out of their home while her husband ran an egg route in South Bend on Saturdays, while working in construction through the week. In addition to the eggs, she also had a vegetable stand, selling produce from her garden. She simply loved working the soil.

In 1990 she and her spouse both received ‘Distinguished Citizen Awards’ from then Indiana Gov. Evan Bayh.

Lenora is survived by three daughters and their families. They are Marlene S. and Charles May of Plymouth and their children; Owen “Butch” Morgan, South Bend; Pam and Ray Sheppard, Argos; Thomas and Rosemary Morgan, Plymouth; Jill and Gary Morris, Goshen; Robert and Donna May, South Bend; Laurel and Mark Phares, Mishawaka and Mark May also of Mishawaka. Mary L. Soellinger and children; Terry Soellinger and wife Sharon Woloshim of Fortville, Ind.; Karen LaChance and Laura Soellinger, both of Elkhart; Connie and Jim Hertzler of Turkey and Carolyn and Jeff Coyne of Indianapolis. And daughter Sandra A. Weiss of Plymouth also survives along with numerous nieces and nephews.

Lenora was preceded in death by five sisters and three brothers; Jessie “Florence” Sigmund, Ona M. Elliott, Lida E. Crain, and infants Lillie and Imogene Reece and brothers; Ira “Clifford”, Orlando W. and Lee J. Reece.
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Friends will be welcomed by the family for visitation from 4 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, December 8, 2004, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Lenora will be at 2 p.m. on Thursday, December 9, 2004, in the funeral home. The Rev. Charles Green, an associate of the Plymouth Baptist Church, will officiate. Grandsons Butch Morgan and Terry Soellinger will provide a reflection on Lenora’s long and faithful life.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth, Ind.

Memorial gifts in Lenora’s memory may be made to the Union-North Township E.M.S.

Vernon L. Gardner
Johnson & Danielson Funeral Home

Vernon L. “Dusty” Gardner, 78, a lifetime Marshall County resident living at 4710 Deborah Lane, Plymouth, since 1962, has died. Vern died at 4:40 a.m. on Saturday, November 27, 2004, in Pilgrim Manor Care Center, Plymouth. He suffered from a cancer-related illness and was a victim of Alzheimer’s Disease for the past year.

Born in Argos, Ind., on September 9, 1926, he the son of Ben I. and Blanche Sponseller Gardner. He attended Argos schools.

Vern served in the Korean Conflict from September 1950 through June 1952. A heavy equipment operator, he was a Sgt. T4 with the 323rd Engineers and was awarded the Korean Service Medal with two Bronze Stars.

On May 23, 1953, Vern and Alice M. Pelkey were married in Hamlet, Ind. Alice died on December 27, 1985.

A lifetime heavy equipment operator, Vern worked for Midwest Operating Engineers, Union Local 150. He worked on numerous construction projects throughout this area, including the building of new U.S. 30 and 31. He worked as far away as New York State following an extremely dangerous winter storm to help re-open highways closed due to heavy snow.

He loved fishing and collecting antiques, especially still banks. He enjoyed traveling and following his retirement, he was frequently off on camping trips. An NBA fan, Michael Jordan was one of his favorite players.

A member of the National Rifle Association, the Knox Masonic Lodge #639, the V.F.W. #1162, Vern also was a member of the Square Club, a camping organization he came to truly enjoy.

Vern is survived by a daughter and a son. His daughter, a resident of Etna Green, Ind., is Rebecca Sue Gardner and his son, now living in Plymouth, is Kevin J. Gardner.

Four grandchildren and their spouses also survive. They are: Pfc. Michael Wilcox serving in Baghdad and his wife, Amanda; Brad and Stephanie Wilcox, Atwood, Ind., and Matthew Wilcox and Allyson Gardner, both of Etna Green, Ind.

Two great-grandchildren survive as well. They are Braxton and Shaylin Wilcox.

A brother, Harold and his wife, Velma Gardner of Argos, also survive.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his spouse.

Visitation will be in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth,
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from 4 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, November 30, 2004. Masonic Lodge Memorial Rites will be held at 7:30 p.m. that evening in the funeral home.

Funeral services for Vern will be held in the funeral home at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, December 1, 2004.

The V.F.W. Marshall Co. Post 1162 will provide military graveside honors at Fairmont Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts may be made in Vern's memory to the Alzheimer's Research Fund or the American Cancer Association.

Matthew Alexander Garrison

Matthew "Matt" Alexander Garrison, 29, a lifetime Plymouth resident, died at his residence, on Sunday, December 19, 2004, at 1:58 p.m.

Born in Plymouth on December 11, 1975, Matt was the son of Joe A. and Ricki J. Reese Garrison. He attended Plymouth High School.

A member of the South Bend Labor's Union, he had worked as a hod carrier for brick masons.

He enjoyed cars, Harley Davidson motorcycles and his two sons.

He had been a member of the Plymouth Moose Lodge and Marshall County ABATE.

Matt is survived by his parents, Joe and Ricki Garrison and by his two sons, Seth Garrison and Jace Mayer, all of Plymouth.

A sister, Jacki Larimore and brother-in-law, Bruce Larimore and two nieces, Rachael Bishop, Jaidlyn Larimore and a nephew, Pierce Larimore, all of Plymouth, survive as well.

Maternal grandparents, Richard and Viola Reese and his paternal grandmother, Ann Garrison, all of Plymouth and several aunts and uncles also survive.

Matt was preceded in death by his paternal grandfather, Charles Garrison.

Visitation with the family will be held on Wednesday, December 22, 2004, from 2 to 7 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services, conducted by the Rev. Chuck Krieg, pastor of the Salem United Methodist Church, Bremen, will be held at 11 a.m. on Thursday, December 23, 2004, in the funeral home.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Gifts in memory of Matt may be made for the benefit of his sons.

Cleo L. Garrison

Cleo L. Garrison, 84, died of natural causes in her home at 9358 State Road 17, Plymouth, Ind., at 10:03 a.m. on Saturday, November 20, 2004.

Born in Culver, Ind., on February 11, 1920, Cleo was the daughter of Clinton M. and Grace B. Keller Short. She graduated from Culver High School.

On January 13, 1940, in Knox, Cleo and Chester Garrison were married. Chester died on March 11, 2003.
A Marshall County resident for most of her life, she was proud to be a homemaker.

A wonderful loving mother to her children, she shared her love with all kinds of animals. She was an avid gardener, possessing a green thumb in growing flowers and vegetables.

Cleo is survived by three children. They are: Larry and Sandra Garrison; Dennis E. Garrison, Ava, Missouri; and Joyce and Dale, Jr. “Spike” Sinders, Plymouth.

Four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren also survive.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband and two sisters: Deloris Flosenzier and Cleora Huffer.

Friends were welcomed by the family on Monday, November 22, 2004, at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, November 23, 2004, in the funeral home. The Rev. John Gantt, pastor of the First United Church of Christ, Plymouth, officiated.

Interment was in Burr Oak Cemetery.

Memorial gifts in Cleo’s memory may be made to the Marshall County Humane Society.

Sister Gabriel Giesken, 91, died at 3:40 a.m. in the Catherine Kasper Home, Donaldson, Ind., on October 28, 2004.

She was born in Miller City, Ohio on May 5, 1913, the daughter of Frank J. and Anna Vincke Giesken.

A Poor Handmaid of Jesus Christ, Sister Gabriel entered the convent on August 11, 1932, and professed her first vows on June 25, 1934.

As her ministry in life, Sister Gabriel taught school from 1934 to 1937 at St. Mary School in Centralia, Ill. From 1937 to 1940, she taught at St. Lawrence School in Sandoval, Ill.

In 1940, Sister went to the Angel Guardian Orphanage in Chicago, Ill. and worked in the office. Nine years later she became a practical nurse at St. Catherine Hospital in East Chicago, Ind., and worked there until 1970.

From 1970 until 1986, Sister Gabriel was at St. Mary Medical Hospital in Gary, Ind., as a Patient Visitor and a Pastoral Associate. She continued in Gary as a volunteer in the Pastoral Care Department from 1987 until her retirement at the Catherine Kasper Home in 1989.

Sister Gabriel is survived by her sister, Anna Mae Ellert, Waterloo, Ind., and by several nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be at the Catherine Kasper Home on Sunday, October 31, 2004, from 4:30 p.m. until 9 p.m.

A Mass of Christian Burial for Sister Gabriel will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday, November 1, 2004, in the Catherine Kasper Home. The Rev. Father Edward Konerman, S.J. will officiate.
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Theodore Hale Glissman

Theodore Hale Glissman, 76, of 20893 9th Road, Plymouth, Indiana passed away Sunday, June 27, 2004.

Ted was born August 26, 1927 in Kouts, Indiana to Henry and Barbara (Misch) Glissman. He lived in Porter County, Indiana until 1970, when he and his family moved to Plymouth. On January 7, 1956, he and Diana Glynn Huhnke, of La Porte County, were united in marriage in St. Patrick Catholic Church, Walkerton, with Father Phillip C. Moore, then Academic Vice-President of Notre Dame, officiating.

 Surviving are two daughters, are Denise (Steve) Benczik of Plymouth, and Madelyn (Timothy) Bush of Eagan, Minnesota; his beloved grandchildren, Sarah Benczik, attending Christ College, Valparaiso University and Ryan Benczik, attending Lincoln JHS. He is also survived by his mother-in-law, Mary Huhnke of Walkerton; two brothers, Thomas Glissman and Phillip Glissman of Valparaiso; and his sister, Carolyn Powell also of Valparaiso.

In earlier years Ted was a member of St. Paul's Catholic Church in Valparaiso, where he also was active in the Toast Master's Club, the Moose, and his church. His interests, besides a family tradition of raising and showing horses and the love of dogs, included self-learned carpentry. In his lifetime, besides helping many others build their homes, he built three new homes for Diana and his daughters; three barns, for his animal friends. He enjoyed his work and co-workers at NIPSCO, as a class A electrician. He had a great love for dancing, and the arts, including working in the porcelain art form. He never missed taking his family on a vacation trip each year. His favorite locations were in the West. He loved to attend his grandchildren's academic and social events and summer evenings of Little League baseball. Ted was a quiet unassuming man with a huge heart. He had a passion for life and keeping active.

He was a member of SOAR (Steelworkers of America Retirees), where he served as a current Trustee; was a lifetime member of the Marshall County Historical Society, a member of National Historic Trust, and worked for the Missions, thru his affiliation as an Associate of the PHJC, Donaldson.

Preceding him in death were his sisters, Marie White, Alice Glissman and Gertrude Glissman; his brothers, George, Henry, Bill, and Robert Glissman, all of the Valparaiso area.

The family will receive friends and relatives at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, with Sr. Joetta Huelsman, PHJC, and Sr. Mary Baird, PHJC, personal friends of Ted's, leading the Rosary at 7:30 p.m. Funeral Mass will be held at 10:30 a.m. Friday, at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Walkerton, with Father Mike Winkowski and Father Ed Konerman officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Walkerton.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to be made to Spina Bifida and Lung Associations, as well as donations to St. Patrick Catholic Church, Walkerton.

Jade Graham

Jade Graham, 2 months and 7 days old, of 67315 State Road 23, North Liberty, Indiana, passed away Sunday, October 17, 2004 at Memorial Hospital, South Bend, Indiana.

She was born on August 10, 2004 in South Bend to Albert and Bryte (Gross) Graham.

She is survived by her father and mother, Albert and Bryte Graham of North Liberty; her brothers, Chavez Barber, Skye Barber, Ricky Graham, and Nathaniel Graham, all living at home; her sisters, Donna Graham and Kandace Graham, also all at home.
Family services were held Wednesday. Burial was in New Oak Hill Cemetery.

Mary Kathryn Grandlinard, 86, living at 8484 S.R. 10, Argos, Ind., died in the Hospice House, Roseland, Ind., at 10:50 a.m. on Sunday, February 1, 2004.

Born in Portland, Ind., on October 7, 1917, Mary was the daughter of Ray and Imogene Merrill Rittenhouse. She attended school in Bryant, Ind.

On June 6, 1936, in Portland, she and former Bluffton resident, Rev. Don Grandlinard, were married. Together their Wesleyan ministry would take them to the communities of Peru, Huntington, Valparaiso, Richmond, Anderson, Plymouth and Logansport. Called three times out of retirement, they would finally make Argos their retirement home in 1976.

A lifetime dedicated Christian women and homemaker, Mary had worked at the Jay Garment Co. of Portland. Mary had a gift for crafts and enjoyed making afghans and quilts.

Mary attended the Argos Wesleyan Church and always displayed a true servant’s heart who loved to host family and guests.

She is survived by her husband, retired minister, the Rev. Don Grandlinard, Argos, and by a son, Paul and Janet Grandlinard of Mendon, Mich., and two daughters: Helen Louise and John Henson of Pleasanton, Texas, and Anita Mae and Gary Berger of Plymouth.

Twelve grandchildren, 28 great-grandchildren and three-great-great-grandchildren survive as well.

Two sisters, Ruth Nevil of Portland, Ind., and Nancy Bricker of Geneva, Ind., and a brother, Paul and Maxine Rittenhouse of Greenfield, Ind., also survive.

Mary was preceded in death by her parents and two sisters: Martha Roll and Velma Harsha.

A celebration of Mary's life and sharing of memories with her family will be on Wednesday, February 4, 2004, from 4 to 8 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Mary will be on Thursday, February 5, 2004, at 11 a.m. in the funeral home. Officiating will be Wesleyan Dist. Superintendent Rev. Dr. Harold Bardsley, Argos Pastor Brian Trump and Rev. Jerry Felts.

Interment will be in the Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos, Ind.

Memorial gifts in Mary’s name may be made to the Hospice House of St. Joseph County, 111 Sunnybrook Ct., South Bend, Indiana 46637 or to the Gideon’s International.

Jan W Gustafson, 64, LaPaz, Ind., died after a courageous fight trying to receive a heart transplant at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne, Ind., on Wednesday, February 11, 2004, at 6:43 p.m.

Known in every coffee shop in Marshall County, Jan had many close friends and was loved by all.

Born in Valparaiso, Ind., on February 3, 1940, Jan was the son of Herbert and Charlotte Knoll.
Gustafson. He graduated from West High School in 1959 in West Township, Plymouth.

For over 40 years, Jan owned and operated the highly respected and reliable Jan’s Body Shop in LaPaz.

He enjoyed stocked car racing, loved his work and he did it well. His family was his life and he loved them all.

Jan is survived by a son and two daughters. They are: Jan Jr. and Mary Lee Gustafson, Beth and Tom Kollars, all of Plymouth and Tammie Radican of LaPaz.

Two grandsons, Christian and Ian Radican, LaPaz, survive, together with two granddaughters, Kailey and Kara Gustafson of Plymouth.

Jan’s mother, Charlotte also survives, living in LaPorte, Ind., as does a brother, Don Gustafson of Middlebury, Ind.

Jan was preceded in death by his father and by Gary Gustafson, a brother.

The family would welcome visitors to honor Jan’s life at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, on Sunday, February 15, 2004, from 2 to 7 p.m.

Funeral services for Jan will be at 10 a.m. Monday, February 16, 2004, in the Plymouth Wesleyan Church, 11203 S. Michigan Road, Plymouth, Ind. The Rev. Lyle Breeding will officiate.

Interment will be in Fair Cemetery, Lapaz, Indiana

Memorial gifts in Jan’s memory may be made to the Marshall County Humane Society.

Sister Jerome Hagen

Sister Jerome Hagen, PHJC, of St. Henry Convent, Chicago, Ill., died on Monday, January 12, 2004 in the St. Francis Hospital, Evanston, Illinois. Sister Jerome celebrated her 85th birthday on Sunday, January 11th.

The daughter of Henry and Cecilia Huelsmann Hagen, Sister Jerome was born in Breese, Ill., on January 11, 1919.

She entered the convent on September 27, 1937, and professed her first vows on June 25, 1940.

Sister earned her B.A. in English from Quincy College in Quincy, Ill., and her M.A. from Cardinal Stritch in Milwaukee, Wis.

A teacher and principal from 1940 to 1988, Sister Jerome taught in Indiana and Illinois. She was the local leader of the Catherine Kasper Home, Donaldson, Ind., from 1988 to 1997.

Surviving her death are two sisters: Monica Saracino of Elmhurst, Ill. and Rosalie Mitchell of St. James, Mo.; two brothers: Robert Hagen of Normandy, MO. And Joe Hagen of Breese, Ill.: and a sister-in-law: Marilyn Hagen of Breese, Ill.

Friends may call at the Catherine Kasper Home to celebrate the life of Sister Jerome on Wednesday, January 14, 2004, from 4:30 to 9:00 p.m.

The Mass of Christian burial will be held at 11 a.m. on Thursday, January 15, 2004. Father
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Beuter and Father Konerman will officiate.

Interment will be in Mt. Carmel Cemetery, Donaldson, Indiana.

Willard E. Hand


Born in Bourbon, Ind., on October 14, 1917, Bill was the son of William E. and Mary E. Hand-Shumaker. He attended Bremen schools.

On the 27th of October, 1935, in Lakeville, Ind., Bill and Donna Mae Koontz were married. Donna died on June 17, 1992, after 57 years of marriage.

Bill was the foundry foreman at Bremen Castings for 41 years, retiring in 1982.

An outdoorsman, he enjoyed hunting and working in the yard.

He is survived by a daughter and son-in-law, Diane and Herb Eveland, Plymouth, and by four sons. His sons are: Larry and Alice Hand of Copper Center, Alaska; Terry and Carol Hand of Wasilla, Alaska; and David Hand and Rex Hand, both of Plymouth, Ind.

Twenty grandchildren, 28 great-grandchildren and one great-great grandchild survive his death together with Juanita Jacobson, Plymouth, a close friend. Also surviving are a brother and three sisters: Noble Hand, Bremen; Grace Border, Phoenix, Arizona; Betty Bellman, Warsaw, Ind., and Marian Sloboda, South Bend, Ind.

Bill was preceded in death by his parents, his wife and two brothers, Dale and Russell Hand.

Visitation with the family will be on Tuesday, July 27, 2004, from 11 to 1 p.m. in the Plymouth Church of the Brethren, 1130 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, where Bill attended services.

Funeral services will follow visitation at 1 p.m. in the church with Rev. Dave Kerkove, pastor of the church, officiating.

Interment will be in the Bremen Cemetery, Bremen, Ind.

Memorial gifts in Bill’s memory may be made to the Plymouth Church of the Brethren or the Marshall County Hospice.

Edith E. Harner

Edith E. Harner, 94, 7165 S.R. 17, Plymouth, died of natural causes at 3:04 p.m. on Wednesday, October 20, 2004, in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Born in Bremen on June 5, 1910, Edith was the daughter of Floyd and Mabel Heckaman Huff.

She graduated from Bremen High School with the class of 1929.

On October 22, 1932, in Bremen, Edith and Leander “Lee” Harner were married. Lee died on September 22, 1972.

At one time, she worked in the Plymouth canning factory, but her major service was taking care of numerous elderly people in the Marshall County area. She would go to their homes and give kind, loving care around the clock.
She also helped out on her and Lee’s farm and when her father was ill, she would drive the school bus on his route.

She loved flowers and grew many varieties, year round.

At the age of 90, Edith was still mowing the lawn. She enjoyed traveling and even in her ninth decade explored caves with her family members.

She was a member of the Riverside United Brethren Church, Bremen and also attended the Shiloh Wesleyan Church and the House of Prayer.

Edith is survived by her two sons, both of Plymouth: Warren and Barbara Harner and Larry Harner.

Eight grandchildren survive as well. They are: Pam and John DePoy, Knox; Brenda and Don Dalton, LaPorte; Lana Harner, Plymouth; Lonnie and Barbara Harner, Plymouth; Lynn and Bridget Harner, Plymouth; Michelle and Daniel Large, Plymouth; Scott and Janet Harner, Plymouth and Lisa and Joseph Baughman, Culver, Ind.

Thirteen great-grandchildren also survive.

Two brothers, Gene and Patricia Huff, Plymouth and Jacob and Louise Huff, Hendersonville, Tenn., survive as well.

Edith was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, a son, Arnold, and 5 brothers Dale, Kenneth, George, Virgil and an infant brother, Carl. A daughter-in-law, Lela has died also.

Friends are invited by the family to share their memories and celebrate the life of Edith from 2 to 7 p.m., Friday, October 22, 2004, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral service for Edith will be at 11 a.m. on Saturday, October 23, 2004, at the Shiloh Wesleyan Church, 10532 4B Rd., Plymouth. The Rev. John Perkinson, pastor of the church and the Rev. Ronald D. Humphrey, pastor of the House of Prayer, and her brother, Jacob Huff will officiate.

Burial will be in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, Bourbon Ind.

Gifts in memory of Edith may be given to American Cancer Society

Dewey J. Hassler, 81, of 16369 Pretty Lake Road, Plymouth, passed away Saturday, June 26, 2004 at 11:30 a.m. at his home in Plymouth.

He was born on July 19, 1922, in Rensselaer, Indiana, to Dewey and Mary (Knoles) Hassler. He graduated from Spencer High School in 1940.


Dewey was retired from the McCord Corporation. He was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church, and the Michiana Gem and Mineral Society. He served his county during WWII, in the Army Air Force, as a Gunnery Instructor and was a gunner on the B 17. He was a Staff Sergeant at the time of his discharge. He served in Central Europe. He was a member of the American Legion Post #363, Lakeville, V.F.W. Post #1162, Plymouth, and the Disabled 

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**American Veterans.** He served as the Veteran's Service Officer for Marshall County.

Surviving are his daughters, Nancy and Don Ferris of Plymouth, and Nanette and Jim Saboski of South Bend; and his sister, Nina Brown of Greenfield, Indiana.

Services will be held Wednesday, June 30, 2004 at 11:00 a.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, in Plymouth, with Mike Burroughs officiating. Burial will be in the Tyner Cemetery, Tyner, Indiana. The V.F.W. Post #1162 will hold a Military grave side service.

Visitation will be Wednesday, June 30, 2004 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth.

The family requests that memorial contributions be given to the Trinity United Methodist Church or to the Indiana Soldier's Home in LaFayette, Indiana.

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**William Hugh Hawthorne**

William Hugh Hawthorne, a resident of Avon Park, Fla., since 1980, died of natural causes Sunday evening March 14, 2004, in Florida Hospital, Sebring, Fla. William was 88 years old and had resided with his wife at 822 S. Loretta Ave.

Born in Blackford County, Ind., on February 6, 1916, he was the adoptive son of P.H. and Edith Bedwell Hawthorne. He graduated from Hartford City High School, Ball State University and had attended the American University in Maryland.

He served his country as a member of the United States Army in World War II and was a member of the American Legion.

On December 24, 1941, in Teegarden, Ind., William and Edith E. Davenport were married.

William was a school teacher in the Plymouth, LaPaz and Walkerton high schools, a band instructor he also taught, science and math.

He was a member of the Melody Makers & Highland Aires Dance Band, playing with Bill Shemberger, Ken Hallman and Myrtle Clouse.

He also directed the choir and was a member of the Plymouth First Presbyterian Church and a member of the Indiana State Retired Teachers Association.

In addition to Edith, his wife of 63 years, William is survived by a son, William L. Hawthorne, Crofton, Md., and by two daughters and their spouses: Merry and Robert Schwindt, Muncie, Ind., and Sue and Mike Felisky, Lake Placid, Fla.

Seven grandchildren and six great-grandchildren also survive together with a sister, Dorothy Granger, Orestes, Ind.

Services in Florida will be held on Thursday, March 18, 2004.

A service will also be held in the New Oakhill Chapel, Plymouth, Ind., on Saturday, March 20, 2004, at 11 a.m. The Rev. Courtley Granger, pastor of the Orestes Christian Church, will officiate.

The V.F.W. Post 1162 will accord William military honors.

Interment will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth, Ind.
Melonie K. Heffner, 55 of 621 Pennsylvania Ave. (formerly of Bremen) died Wednesday, June 2, 2004 in her residence after a courageous battle with cancer. She was born on May 16, 1949 to Tharon K. and Roma E. Renner Heffner in Kendallville, Indiana.

Melonie was a 1967 graduate of Ligonier High School. She was the former co-owner of Mrs. T's Bakery in Bremen. She was very active in the Bremen Missionary Church and a member of the Goshen VFW Auxiliary Post #30, Goshen, Indiana.

She enjoyed spending time with her family, working in her yard and cross-stitching.

Melonie is survived by her mother and two sons and their wives, Steven (Torie) Taylor, Plymouth, and Sgt. Jason (Belinda) Thrams, Nappanee, Indiana. A brother Brent (Mary K.) Heffner, Edwardsburg, MI, also survive her.

She was preceded in death by her father, and a sister, Twila Cox.

Friends will be welcomed by the family to visit and share memories on Tuesday June 8, 2004 from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Bremen Missionary Church, 2598 Elm Road Bremen.

Funeral service for Melonie will be held at 6:00 p.m. on June 8, 2004 in the Church with Pastor Gary Hinkle officiating.

Memorial contributions in Melonie’s memory may be directed to the family.

Ellen E. Heim, 97, 7189 King Road, died on Thursday, April 8, 2004, at 6:50 a.m. in Pilgrim Manor, Plymouth.

Ellen was born in Chicago, Ill. on February 24, 1907, to John and Louisa Johnson Swanson; both parents were from Sweden. Her family moved from Chicago to a farm in Polk township when she was three years old.

Ellen graduated from Tyner High School in 1925 and then earned her diploma from Manchester College.

On March 15, 1935, Ellen and David W. Heim were united in marriage by the Rev. Frank Lineberry in Elkhart. She taught primary school in Tyner for seven years and was a devoted farm wife.

Ellen was a long time member of the Helpful Hour Club. She was a precinct poll taker for the Republican party and a member of the Farm Bureau.

Having begun her faith in the Swedish Mission Church in Donaldson, she continued as a long-time member of the First United Methodist Church in Plymouth.

Ellen is survived by two sons, Stephen Heim, Plymouth and Don and Evelyn Heim, West Hills, Calif.

Three granddaughters also survive. They are Deborah Heim-Waddill and Nathan Waddill, Plymouth; Kathlyn and Glenn O'Shea of Castaic, Calif. and Karen and Bryon Zambello of Mason, Ohio. Two great-grandsons and two great-granddaughters survive as well. They are
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Sean and Kayla O’Shea of Castaic, Calif., and Lauren and Cameron Zambello of Mason, Ohio.

Numerous nieces and nephews also survive.

Ellen was preceded in death by her husband, David, in 1999, and by a sister, Ethel Nelson.

Friends may call at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth on Tuesday, April 13, 2004, from 4 to 8 p.m.

Services will be in the funeral home on Wednesday, April 14, 2004, at 11 a.m. The Rev. Dr. Dean Fager, pastor of the First United Methodist Church will officiate.

Burial will be in the New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth, Indiana

Memorial contributions may be made to the First United Methodist Church, Plymouth, Indiana.

Ruth J. Heying, 74, of 1321 Blossom Drive, Mishawaka, Ind., died of natural causes at 2:10 p.m. in the Plymouth Nursing and Rehab Center on Saturday, April 17, 2004.

Born on July 12, 1929, in Hopkington, Iowa, she was the daughter of Julius and Eleanor Griebel Gerlich. Ruth attended St. Paul’s School in Worthington, Iowa.

On November 24, 1948, in Worthington, Iowa, she and Marvin H. Heying were married. The family moved to Indiana in 1956 from Iowa.

A homemaker and a flower gardener, Ruth enjoyed cooking Sunday dinner every week for her family. She enjoyed her children, grandchildren and their activities.

Ruth is survived by her husband and their eight children.

They are: daughters, Mary and Tim Voreis, South Bend, and Rebecca and Glenn Anstett of Indianapolis. Her sons are: James and Stacey Heying, Plymouth; Joseph Heying, South Bend; Jerry Heying, LaPorte; Kenneth and Patricia Heying, Michigan City; Daniel Heying, Albuquerque, New Mexico, and Michael and Denise Heying, Mishawaka.

Twenty-one grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren also survive together with three sisters, Mary Underhill, Arizona; Alice Sauser of Texas and Carol Gassman of Louisiana. Three brothers survive as well. They are: James Gerlich, Iowa, Edward Gerlich, Iowa, and Robert Gerlich, Wisconsin.

Ruth was preceded in death by her parents and her sister, Velma Jones.

There will be no visitation and no funeral services.

Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, is in charge of arrangements.

Mary Marguerite Hite, 84, of 20484 West 12th Road, Plymouth, passed away Friday, July 9, 2004, at 8:00 p.m., at her home, in Plymouth.

She was born on January 28, 1920 in Aurora, Illinois, to Omer and Myrtle (Grace) Hoeszle.

She married D. Loyal Hite on July 2, 1938 and has lived in Plymouth since their marriage. After
57 years of marriage, Loyal passed away on September 30, 1995.

Mary worked for the Plymouth Community School Corporation, as a custodian, until she retired.

Mary is survived by her daughters, Shirley and Edward Wilcox of Argos, Barbara and Kenneth Dickson of Plymouth, Sue and Jan Warner of Plymouth, Lettie and Dennis Maxson of Plymouth, and Rosemary Johnston of Culver; her sons, David and Valerie Hite of Culver, Alvin and Connie Hite of Culver, Dwight and Donna Hite of Culver, Bruce and Pat Hite of Plymouth, Ronald and Mary Hite of Plymouth, and Ray and Margie Hite of Plymouth. Also surviving are 27 grandchildren, 39 great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren. Mary was preceded in death by a grandchild.

There will be no visitation. Graveside services will be held, Saturday, July 17, 2004, at 11:00 a.m. at the Burr Oak Cemetery, Burr Oak.

Van Gilder Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Florence Elizabeth Hoham

The only woman in Plymouth to have ever had a road named for her, Florence Elizabeth Hoham, has died. Florence died at 1:20 p.m. on Tuesday, December 14, 2004, in the Catherine Kasper Life Center, Donaldson.

Born in Plymouth, Ind., on February 22, 1905, Florence would have been 100 years old this next year.

Her family, her church, the First United Methodist Church of Plymouth and her community service were Florence’s recreation and her lifelong interests.

She was the daughter of Jesse Mead and Flora Vestaline Astley Hoham. She attended Webster School and graduated from Plymouth High School with the class of 1922. She took business and accounting classes at Ancilla College and IUSB and at the age of 17 became an office worker at Schlosser Dairy for almost two years.

In 1923, as an abstractor, she went to work for a local attorney, Delph McKesson and then joined the firm of the Marshall County Building & Loan of which Mr. McKesson was president. The company later became Pioneer Federal Savings & Loan Association.

Florence was widely acknowledged as “the backbone” of the business.

She retired in 1988 at the age of 83.

Florence lived at 724 Pennsylvania Ave., the home where she was born, until November, 2001, when she went to live with her niece, Mrs. Lowell (Virginia) Brown.

Named as one of the prestigious Sagamores of the Wabash by former Gov. Evan Bayh in 1996, Florence received many awards during her lifetime.

In 1963 she was selected as the 9th member of the Plymouth High School Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame.

In 1975 she was elected president of the Michiana Chapter of the Financial Managers Society for Savings Institutions.

A charter member of the Plymouth Chapter of the Business and Professional Women, she served two terms as president of the group. She attended numerous district, state and national
conventions and seven times participated in the international BPW conferences. The Indiana Federation of the BPW presented Florence with the prestigious Jenny Scott Award in 1990.

Florence joined Kappa, Kappa, Kappa philanthropic sorority in 1944 and served as president one term and treasurer, twice. She was president of the Friends of Ancilla College and served on the Ancilla Board of Trustees from 1980 to 1986. A member of the Ambassador Club, she received the Ancilla Award in 1987.

An active member of the local Democrat party, Florence enthusiastically supported all of the Democrat candidates; her car was recognized as a traveling billboard. She served as precinct committeeman for nearly 50 years and was a delegate to the national Democratic Presidential Nominating Convention.

She was president of the Holy Cross Parkview Hospital Auxiliary for many years, donating countless hours as a volunteer.

One of the first supporters of the Plymouth Industrial Development Corporation, she was a member of the Plymouth Area Chamber of Commerce.

Florence is survived by three nieces: Virginia Brown, Jean Marks Bail, Frances Myers and one nephew, Harold Marks.

A number of great-nieces and great-nephews survive as well.

She was preceded in death by her parents and two sisters: Martha Goss and Louise Marks.

Friends will be welcome to celebrate the life of Florence Hoham on Friday, December 17, 2004, from 3 to 7 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services, officiated by the Rev. Dr. Dean Fager, pastor of the First United Methodist Church, will be held in the funeral home at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, December 18, 2004.

Burial will take place in Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Florence’s memory may be made to Ancilla College or Marshall County Hospice.

Lura M. Holderman

Lura M. Holderman, 73, in failing health the past several years, died at 8:04 p.m. on Monday, November 29, 2004, at her residence, 14389 Maple Rd., Argos, where she had lived for over 35 years.

Lura was born at the Plymouth home of her parents, Roy E. and Ruth E. Bowdy Ringer, on July 27, 1931. She graduated from Plymouth High School with the class of 1949.

On November 26, 1953, in Etna Green, Ind., Lura and Richard W. Holderman were married. Last week, the couple celebrated their 51st wedding anniversary. Together they enjoyed traveling and winters spent in Riverview, Florida.

A homemaker, she was multi-talented. She made afghans for everyone in the family. She was able to play many instruments by ear especially the organ and accordion entertaining her family and friends. She enjoyed crossword puzzles, ceramics and vegetable and flower gardening, making many flower arrangements for her church altar from her well tended garden.

In addition to her loving husband, Lura is survived by their three daughters and two sons.
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and their spouses are: Linda S. and Annis Crum, Argos; Cindy L. and Glenn Leonard, Bourbon; Patti L. and Terry Honeycutt, Monterey; Steven K. and Debbie Holderman, Augusta Kansas; and Terry L. Holderman, Plymouth.

Eight grandchildren also survive. They are: Linda’s children, Mandy, Lisa and Mitchell; Cindy’s children Krissa and Melissa; Patti’s children, Kyle, Kevin and Jeffrey. She also treasured her two great grandsons, Derek and Christopher and the soon to be arrival of her third great grandbaby.

A brother Wayne and Debbie Ringer of Plymouth, survive as well.

Lura was preceded in death by her parents.

Friends will be welcomed by Lura’s family on Thursday, December 2, 2004, from 4 to 8 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services conducted by the Rev. Mark Fishburn, pastor of the Argos Bible Church, will be held at 2 p.m. on Friday, December 3, 2004, in the funeral home.

Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorials in Lura’s memory may be made to either the American Diabetic or Cancer Societies.

Helen Louisa Holmquist

Helen Louisa Holmquist, 81, of 20948 South Lake Drive, Walkerton, Indiana, passed away Saturday, October 9, 2004 at 11:15 a.m. in Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth, Indiana.

She was born on March 22, 1923 in Chicago, Illinois, to Simon and Svea (Anderson) Johnson.

She married Russel W. Holmquist on May 9, 1953 in Koontz Lake. He passed away on February 8, 1988.

Helen is survived by her step-son, James Holmquist of Florida; her sisters, June (Bob) DeVries of Evington, Virginia and Lillian (Jack) Carver of Greenville, South Carolina; and two step-grandchildren.

Services will be held Monday, October 11, 2004 at 2:00 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, Plymouth. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Visitation will be Monday, October 11, 2004 from noon to 2:00 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth.

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Rhonda Jean Holycross

Rhonda Jean Holycross, died, following a long battle with cancer, at her residence, 18632 S.R. 331, Tippecanoe, Ind., on Saturday, February 14, 2004. She was only 44 years old.

She loved people and was dearly loved by her children.

Rhonda was born in Warsaw, Ind., on December 11, 1959, the daughter of Raymond Sr., and Juanita Cook Uhlig of Plymouth. She attended schools in Warsaw and Argos.

On December 27, 1987, in the Plymouth Assembly of God Church, Rhonda and Andrew Holycross were married.

A dedicated homemaker, Rhonda enjoyed cooking, gardening and was an expert at making
beautiful flower arrangements.

Rhonda is survived by her spouse, Andrew, Tippecanoe, Ind., and by their three children.

Two sons survive: Raymond Daniel Holycross, Plymouth, Ind., and David Lee Holycross, Tippecanoe, Ind., and a daughter, Dianne Katherine Holycross, also of Tippecanoe.

Her parents, Raymond and Juanita Uhlig, Sr., Plymouth; a brother, Robert Yoder, Elkhart, Ind., and a sister, Dianne Rudd, Afton, Minn., survive as well.

On Wednesday, February 18, 2004, from 4 to 8 p.m., friends will be welcomed by the family at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, Ind.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, February 19, 2004, at 2 p.m. in the funeral home. The Rev. Paul Nye will officiate.

Interment will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Rhonda’s name may be made to the Marshall County Cancer Association.

Kenneth C., Sr. Horn

Kenny lived his whole life in Plymouth, Ind. In addition to proudly serving his country, he was a loving husband, father and grandfather. He will be missed by them all.

Born in Plymouth on January 12, 1930, Kenny was the son of Ivan and Hazel Holmes Horn. He graduated from Plymouth High School with the class of 1948 and from Presbyterian College in Clinton, S.C., in 1952.

Kenny was in the United States Army from 1952 to 1954. As a First Lieut., he served his country in the Korean Conflict as an Executive Office for the 7th Calvary.

On November 27, 1966, Kenny and Rose Mary Snyder were married in the Trinity United Methodist Church, Plymouth.

For 25 years, from 1967 to 1992, Kenny worked at Conrail as a block operator for various towers in northern Indiana.

After his retirement, he stayed active in a number of organizations.

He was a lifetime member of VFW Marshall County Post 1162 and for many years he served on the Honor Guard giving tribute to fallen comrades. He also was a member of the Eagles, the Moose and the American Legion Post #27.

He served as Post Commander of Plymouth’s VFW organization from 1996 to 2003. During this time, he would volunteer and cook lunches for the members, something he continued up until the last two months when he became ill.

He enjoyed traveling and he and his loving wife, Rose Mary, took many trips across the country. He loved going to the baseball and softball games of his grandchildren to cheer their athletic activities on the ball diamonds.
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Kenny is survived by his wife and their three children. They, and their spouses are: Kenneth C. and Carrie Horn, Jr., Plymouth; Anne M. and Donnie Overmyer, Bremen; and Michael G. and Kristina Horn, Plymouth.

Four grandchildren also survive. They are Taiylor Horn, Zackery Horn, Karson Doll and Cord Doll.

A brother, Larry and Cathy Horn, Bremen and a sister, Joyce Horn, Plymouth, together with many nieces and nephews, survive as well.

Kenny was preceded in death by his parents, his mother and father-in-law: Clara and Gordon Snyder and a sister: Elaine M. Horn.

Friends will be welcomed by Kenny’s family on Wednesday, December 1, 2004, from 4 to 8 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services in the funeral home will be at 10 a.m. on Thursday, December 2, 2004. The Rev. William Kaster, pastor of the Trinity United Methodist Church where Kenny was a member, will officiate.

Military graveside rites provided by the Plymouth VFW #1162 will accompany burial in Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorials to Kenny’s life and service may be made to the Trinity United Methodist Church, the Cancer Society, the V.F.W. #1162 or the American Diabetes Association.

Leo R. Houin, 80, died at 7:03 a.m. on Wednesday, July 28, 2004, following several years of a courageous battle against cancer. Leo died in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth. He had lived at 11386 Sunnylane Drive since 1991, in the Forest Hills subdivision that he developed.

Born on his family’s Plymouth homestead on June 9, 1924, Leo was the son of Francis A. and Frances R. Smith Houin. He graduated from Plymouth High School with the class of 1943.

He married the former Mary Jane Johnson, who passed away in 1980. He was then wed to Marjorie Michel Houin, who died in 1982. On August 18, 1984, Leo and Marilyn E. Sellers-Bules were married. They were set to celebrate their 20th anniversary in three weeks.

Leo was a successful lifetime farmer and land developer. He had served on the 4-H Fair Board, Plymouth School Board, as the Center Township Assessor and a director of the American Milk Producers Inc.

Family life was very important to him: especially his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He loved to travel, camp and golf. He enjoyed Plymouth High School basketball, attending Purdue bowl games and was a former member of the John Purdue Club.

He was also a member of the Plymouth Moose Lodge 741 and of the Knights of Columbus Council 1975.

Leo is survived by his spouse Marilyn and by one daughter, Louise A. and Gary Webster, Noblesville, Ind., and seven sons; they are: Allen L. Houin, Kenneth R. and Jan Houin, Mark A. and Rene Houin, Kevin L. and Tammy Houin, all of Plymouth. Also Marvin L. and Diane Houin, Bremen, Dr. Herman P. and Connie Houin, Grosse Pointe Shores, Mich., and Dr. Raymond E. and Eileen Houin, LaPorte, Ind.
Forty-one grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren survive.

Two brothers and three sisters also survive, they are: Bernard L. and Betty Houin, Argos, and Lawrence E. and Frances Houin, Plymouth, Irene Wenzel, Mishawaka, Catherine A. Haeck, and Teresa R. and Lloyd Anderson, of Plymouth.

Also surviving are a daughter-in-law, Susan K. Houin, Plymouth, three step-daughters, Elaine R. and John Ferguson, Argos, Deb Cortner, McCordsville, Ind., and Kathy Hammonds, Tippecanoe and two step-sons, Robert H. and Sharon Bules, Bremen, and Greg Michel, Plymouth.

Leo was preceded in death by two spouses, a son, Earl Lee Houin, and an infant child. A sister, Sr. Mary Francis Houin, P.H.J.C., and two brothers, Elmer V., and Carl Houin, step-son Ron Michel and step-grandson Todd, have also died.

Friends will be welcomed to celebrate Leo’s life from 2 to 8 p.m. on Friday, July 30, 2004, at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth. A rosary will be prayed at 8 p.m.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, July 31, 2004, in St. Michael’s Roman Catholic Church where Leo was a member. The Rev. Father William Kummer will officiate.

Interment will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be given in Leo’s memory to the Marshall Co. 4-H Program, St. Michael’s school and church, the Marshall County Hospice, or to a charity of the donor’s choice.
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She loved literature and history, devoting a lot of time to the family’s genealogy. She and Tom traveled widely in the U.S. and Europe.

Dorothy is survived by her three sons and their families. They are Ralph “Rick” and Alice Huff, Plymouth, Ind.; Dale Thomas and Sue Huff, Floyds Knobs, Ind.; and Ross Kent Huff, Seattle, Wash. A sister-in-law, Evelyn Ringham of Boca Raton, Florida also survives.

8 grandchildren and one great-grandchild survive as well.

Dorothy was preceded in death by her parents, her husband and two brothers, infant William Owen Ringham and Richard Frederick Ringham, Jr.

A celebration of Dorothy’s life and service to others will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. on Friday, November 5, 2004, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth and continue one hour prior to services in the church. An Eastern Star Memorial Service will be held at 7:45 p.m. Friday in the funeral home.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m., Saturday, November 6, 2004, in the First United Methodist Church, 400 N. Michigan St., Plymouth. The Rev. Dr. Dean Fager, pastor of the church, will officiate.

Interment will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Dorothy’s memory may be made to the First United Methodist Church.

Genevieve J. Hundt Johnson & Danielson Funeral Home

Genevieve J. Hundt, 69, an area resident since 1966, living at 1012 Angel St., Plymouth, died of natural causes in the Woodland Manor Nursing Care Center, Elkhart, Ind., at 3:55 p.m. on Friday, February 6, 2004.

Genevieve was born in Rensselaer, Ind., on November 19, 1934.

On February 19, 1952, in Valparaiso, Ind., she and Gust E. Hundt were married. Gust died on October 8, 1984.

Genevieve was a homemaker. She enjoyed sewing, crocheting and growing plants.

She is survived by three children: a daughter, Ginger L. Hundt of Kenton, Ohio, and two sons, Larry E. Hundt and Kenneth A. and Sylvia Hundt, all of Plymouth, Ind.

Five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren also survive, together with two brothers and two sisters. They are: Charles Armstrong, Tennessee; Bernard Armstrong, Rensselaer; Wilma Miller, Valparaiso and Maude Horton, Kentucky.

Genevieve was preceded in death by her parents and her husband.

Visitation will be in the Graceland Cemetery Chapel, Valparaiso, Ind., on Tuesday, February 10, 2004, from 9 to 10 a.m. C.S.T.

Funeral services for Genevieve will follow visitation at 10 a.m. C.S.T. in the Graceland Cemetery Chapel. The Rev. Charles Krieg, pastor of the Salem United Methodist Church, Bremen, Ind., will officiate.

Burial will be in Graceland Cemetery, Valparaiso, Ind.
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The Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, is in charge of arrangements.

**Helen T. "Geri" Hunley**

Helen T. “Geri” Hunley, 75, died from cancer and an extended diabetic illness in Saint Joseph’s Regional Medical Center, Plymouth, at 10:40 a.m. on Friday, April 23, 2004. Geri had lived at Mill Pond in Plymouth since 1994, coming from Chicago.

She was born in Chicago, on November 30, 1928, the daughter of Max Bernard and Helen Barbara Surski Gomolski. She graduated from Chicago Bowen High School.

On December 7, 1946, in Chicago, Geri and Frederick R. Hunley were married.

A homemaker, she enjoyed playing pinochle, bowling and roller skating which is how the couple met. She had a vast collection of family photos.

She was a member of St. Jude’s Roman Catholic Church in Chicago.

In addition to her husband, Frederick, Plymouth, Geri is survived by a daughter and son-in-law, Sherry A. and Stephen Slater, Plymouth, and a son Wayne E. and Virginia Hunley, Schereville, Ind.

Four grandchildren, three great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews survive as well.

Geri was preceded in death by her parents, three sisters and four brothers.

There will be no public service or visitation.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials in Geri’s memory be made to the American Diabetes Association, 53631 Fir Road, Granger, Indiana 46530-8581.

**Duane W. Hurford**

After a courageous six month struggle against a cancer related illness, Duane W. Hurford, 69, a lifetime Plymouth resident has died.

Duane died, in the company of his family, at 10:30 p.m. on Monday, April 5, 2004, at his residence, 3544 Olive Road, Plymouth.

He was a devoted family man and loved having family gatherings, especially with his children and grandchildren.

Born in Plymouth on March 30, 1935, Duane was the son of Lewis W. and Mildred E. Garl Hurford. He graduated from LaPaz High School with the class of 1953.

In 1954 to 1956 he served his country with the United States Army as a corporal on duty in Korea.

On October 18, 1957, Duane and Sandra L. Dick were married by the Rev. Moore in the First Presbyterian Church in Plymouth.

After 21 years of faithful service in the maintenance department of the Plymouth B.P.C. plant, Duane retired on August 8, 2003. He had previously worked as a route driver for the Plymouth Dairy.

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A farmer at heart, he tended a small Holstein herd and enjoyed tinkering in the garden and was known to be a pretty good cook.

A Past Master of the Plymouth Kilwinning Masonic Lodge No. 149 F. & A.M. and received lifetime membership in 1972.

Duane is survived by his wife, Sandy and by their two daughters, a son, 8 grandchildren and two great grandchildren. They are; daughter Sherry J. and Denny Long with children, Matthew and Allison; daughter Penny L. and Jeff Krieg with children, Brandy, Landon, Elizabeth and Katelyn; son Randy W. and Dianna Hurford with children Jason and Derick, all of Plymouth. The two great grandchildren are Alan and Vanessa.

Also surviving are two brothers; Lewis Garl and Louise Hurford of Elora, Tenn., and Lowell E. and Janice Hurford of Plymouth, along with Duane’s sister-in-law Julia Hurford also of Plymouth. Several nieces and nephews also survive.

Duane was preceded in death by his parents, an infant daughter; Lisa D. Hurford, nine-month-old grandson Josh Crockett and brother Frank W. Hurford.

Friends will be welcomed by the family from 3 to 7 p.m., Thursday, April 8, 2004, at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, April 9, 2004, at 10:30 a.m. in the funeral home. The Rev. Charles Krieg, pastor of the Salem United Methodist Church, Bremen, will officiate.

Interment will be in the New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts in Duane’s memory may be made to the Marshall County Hospice.

Robert Eugene Husted, 81, died after an illness, at his residence 1709 Hope Blvd., Plymouth, at 6:25 a.m. on Friday, October 22, 2004.

Born in Williamsburg, Ill., on June 27, 1923, Bob was the son of James Raymond and Margaret Louellan Husted Lawson.

He served in the United States Navy from March 10, 1944 until January 19, 1946. A boatswains mate, second class, he served on board the U.S.S. L.S.T. 675 and the U.S.S. LCI (G) 422. Bob earned the Asiatic Pacific medal with two stars, the American Area, the Philippine Liberation with one star and the Victory Ribbon.

After the war, he worked for 32 years with Standard Oil of Ohio in Grove City, Ohio.

He was first married to Margaret Jean Husted. She died on March 28, 2000. Their son, Jack Robert Husted had also died in 1968. He married Nadine Houin Zahm in St. Michael’s Catholic Church on May 27, 2002.

Bob was a member of the Sioto Boat Club, the Masons of Ohio and the Shrine Drum and Bugle Corp.

He was also a member of St. Michael’s Catholic Church and the Harvest House in Plymouth and St. Catherine’s Church, Sebring, Fla., at their winter residence in Avon Park, Florida.

Bob is survived by his wife, Nadine, Plymouth, and by two step-sons and two step-daughters.
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They are: Sharon and Bob Luebcke, Edwardsburg, Mich.; Sally Zahm and spouse, Jaimie Oxley, Fort Wayne, Ind.; Mark and Liz Zahm, South Bend, Ind.; and Matt and Bobbie Zahm, Argos, Ind.

Eight step-grandchildren and three step-great-grandchildren also survive.

Bob was preceded in death by his parents, his first wife, their son and six siblings: three sisters and two brothers.

They are: Mabel Doty, Opal Norris, Irene Stout, John, Arthur and Raymond Husted. Several nieces and nephews survive as well.

Friends will be welcomed from 4 to 7 p.m. on Monday, October 25, 2004, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, Ind. A Rosary will be prayed at 7 p.m.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held for Bob on Tuesday, October 26, 2004, at 11 a.m. in St. Michael’s Roman Catholic Church. The Rev. Father Edward Ssebbowa will officiate.

Burial will take place Saturday, November 6, 2004 at 11:00 am in the Grove City Cemetery, Grove City, Ohio with the Rev. Phillip Stout officiating.

Memorial gifts may be made to Marshall County Hospice, or St. Michael’s Catholic Church in Bob’s memory.

Margaret A. Irwin, Union Road, Donaldson, died of natural causes at the Catherine Kasper Nursing Home, Donaldson, Ind., on September 9, 2004.

An area resident most of her life, she was 94 years old.

Born in a log house in West Township on July 22, 1910, Margaret was the daughter of Albert and Dora Scheetz Furry. She went to Roberts School to Inwood school and graduated from Plymouth High School in 1928.

In 1931, she was married in Plymouth to Gotherd Jacobson. He died in 1942.

In 1946, in South Bend, she married Vernon Yelton and was widowed in 1963. In 1965, in Plymouth, Margaret and Ralph Irwin were married. They enjoyed 15 years together before his death in 1980.

Margaret and her second husband, Vernon Yelton, bought a small farm and when they discovered the ground was muck, founded the Yelton (later Irwin) Blueberry Pickin’ Patch on U.S. 31 north of Plymouth. In the spring of 1950, they planted the crop and created the business and Margaret worked there for over thirty years.

Childless, she was a second grandmother to her numerous nieces and nephews. She also loved pets and had a dog and a cat for many years.

Margaret was a member of the Trinity United Methodist Church and the Rachel Circle. She also belonged to the Yellowstone Club, a homemaking organization.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husbands; a brother, Anthony Furry; a sister, Dorothy DeMont; a step-daughter, Sandra Barnes and a niece, Karen Hileman Erbse.
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Margaret is survived by two sisters: Marian Hileman of Plymouth, Ind., and Helen Meeker of Sebring, Fla.

In addition, several nieces and nephews survive: Ed and Sharon DeMont, Plymouth; Gene and Margo DeMont, South Bend; Mark and Suzanne Umbaugh, Argos; Dick and De Meeker, Gulf Breeze, Fla.; Gary and Diana Neel, Sebring, Fla.; Larry and Linda Mann, Mike and Judy Delp and David Hileman, all of Plymouth. Also surviving her death are four Florida nieces: Shirley Berger, Sharon Bradway, Betty Lane and Sandra Harness.

Five step-children, children of Ralph Irwin, survive as well. They are: Barbara Bitting, Argos; Betty Taylor, Elkhart; Willard Irwin, Hawaii; Roberta Love, Calif.; and Sally Handley, Arizona.

Visitation will be from 1 to 3 p.m. on Sunday, September 12, 2004, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Following visitation, funeral services will be officiated by, Rev. William Kaster, pastor of Trinity United Methodist Church will be held in the funeral home at 3 p.m.

Interment will be in New Oakhill Cemetery.

Memorial gifts in Margaret’s memory may be made to the Trinity United Methodist Church.

Deborah L. “Debbie” Johnson, of 209 Maryland St., North Judson, Ind., died at 2:18 am on Monday, September 6, 2004. Debbie, 48, died at her residence under the loving care of her family and hospice.

Born on April 28, 1956 in Knox, Ind., Debbie was the daughter of Bill Miller, Sr. and Lounette Clark Back.

After receiving her G.E.D., she received an Associates Degree from Ancilla College, Donaldson, Indiana.

Debbie was a homemaker who enjoyed going to the boat, playing bingo, and the precious time she spent with her children and grandchildren.

She is a member of MADD.

Debbie is survived by three daughters: Stephany (Jacob) Casteel and their children, Shelby and Jacob of Plymouth; Crystal Johnson and her son Stone of Plymouth and Misti Johnson of North Judson, and two step-sons: Jim “Jimmy” (Kris) Johnson and their children, Amber, Sara, Kylie, Taylor, Trey, and Ashley of Plymouth and Shane (Amanda) Johnson and their children, MacKenzie and Adrian, of Plymouth.

Also surviving are her step-father, Manford K. Back, Sr. of Plymouth, a sister: Janet (Bob) Edwards of North Judson, a step-sister: Valerie Back of Plymouth; and five brothers: Bill (Penny) Miller, Roger (Nikki) Miller, Owen Miller, all of Knox; Freddy Miller of California and Wayne Miller of Kentucky.

She was preceded in death by her father, Bill Miller, Sr, her mother Lounette Back, her step-brother, Manford “Kash” Back, Jr., Misti’s daughter, Cheyanna Jackson, and a nephew Jarrod Edwards.

Friends may visit with Debbie’s family from 4 to 8 pm on Thursday, September 9, 2004 at Johnson - Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.
Funeral services for Debbie will be at 11:00 am on Friday, September 10, 2004, in the funeral home. Pastor Jim Pippenger will officiate.

Entombment will be in the Bremen Cemetery Mausoleum, Bremen, Ind.

Memorial contributions in Debbie’s name may be made to MADD.

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Jack T. Jones

Jack T. Jones, 93, of Culver, Indiana, died at 4:40AM on Thursday, December 30, 2004, at Miller's Merry Manor, Culver, Indiana.

Jack was born on April 16, 1911, to Marion E. and Susie (Shilling) Jones at Minneapolis, Minnesota. He was married on March 27, 1942 at McKeesport, Pennsylvania, to Bertha L. Rowe. She survives.

He is also survived by his loving family: son: Jack T. (Marsha) Jones Jr. of Divonne Les Bains, France; daughter: Marion S. Marshall of Culver, Indiana; grandchildren: Allen (Tracey) Marshall of Bettendorf, Iowa, Nathan Jones of Atlanta, Georgia, Noah (Malia) Jones of Los Angeles, California, and Rebecca (Jason) Haralson of Corsicana, Texas; and great-grandchildren: Madelyne Marshall and Dayle Haralson.

Visitation with the family will be Sunday, January 2, 2005, from 2:00 - 3:00PM, at the Bonine-Odom Funeral Home in Culver, Indiana. Gerald Thomas will officiate services on Sunday, January 2, 2005, at 3:00PM at the Bonine-Odom Funeral Home in Culver, Indiana. Interment will be private. Memorial contributions may be given to Doctors Without Borders, P.O. Box 1856, Merrifield, VA 22116-8056.

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Marjean A. Kain

Marjean A. Kain, 75, 313 Marlou Place, Plymouth, died, following an illness, at 3:45 a.m. on Saturday, February 14, 2004, in the Americare Living Center, Elkhart, Ind. Marjean was the bride of Floyd D. Kain when she came to Plymouth from her home in Sheboygan, Wis.

She was born on March 5, 1928, in Sheboygan, the daughter of Clarence and Althea Kohl Winter. She graduated from Sheboygan North High School.

On June 6, 1954, Marjean and Floyd D. Kain were married in Sheboygan. Floyd died on September 25, 1975.

Marjean worked for the Marshall County Division of Family and Children, retiring in 1995. She had also worked in the Marshall County Clerk’s office for several years.

Very much involved in her church, the First United Church of Christ, she was a member of the Women’s Circles of the church, the Excelsior Class, the Retirement Group and had served as the Festival and Worship committee chairman, as well as serving on many other committees of the church. Her family was her life, and she enjoyed participating in her children and grandchildren's activities.

She was a crossword puzzle fan and a member of the Plymouth Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star.

Her children and her grandchildren were very special people in her life. They are, a son and his wife, Rikki and Katherine Kain and their children: Matthew, Benjamin and Austin Kain, all of Elkhart.
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A daughter Candace and her husband, Fred Bechtel who also live in Elkhart, with their daughters, Amanda and Emelie Bechtel.

And Janelle and her spouse, Dan Batta who live in Sunman, Ind. Their children, Nicole Batta is a student at Purdue, while Sarah Batta and Alicia Batta live in Sunman.

Marjean was preceded in death by her parents and her husband.

The family will welcome friends to share memories and honor Marjean’s life from 4 to 8 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, on Friday, February 20, 2004. A special Eastern Star service will be held at 8 p.m. Friends may also visit with the family at the church on Saturday, one hour prior to the service.

Funeral services conducted by the Rev. John M. Gantt, interim pastor of the First United Church of Christ, 321 N. Center St., Plymouth, will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, February 21, 2004.

Interment will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Marjean’s memory may be made to the First United Church of Christ.

Robert D. Kaiser, 76, of West 1st Rd., Walkerton, Ind., died after a long and courageous battle with cancer at 3:30 p.m. on Monday, June 21, 2004, in Memorial Hospital, South Bend.

Born in LaPaz, Ind., on April 26, 1928, Bob was the son of Walter L. and Lillian A. Divine Kaiser. He graduated from Tyner High School with the class of 1946.

On November 2, 1946, in Mishawaka, Bob and Ruby Baughman were married.

He worked at Wells Aluminum, North Liberty, Ind., for 22 years. He retired from farming in 2003. He loved farming and looked upon it more as enjoyment than work.

A sociable man, Bob enjoyed his family. He loved attending his grandchildren’s sporting events, playing cards, fishing and mushroom hunting.

He was a member of the Shalom Fellowship Church and the Tyner Odd Fellow Lodge.

He is survived by Ruby, his wife of 57 years and by their children: two sons and a daughter. His sons are Dennis and Pamela Kaiser and David Kaiser and companion, Dawn Hooker, all of Walkerton. His daughter is Sharon and Randy Klingerman of South Bend.

Five grandsons also survive. They are: David Malstaff, Walkerton; Dennis Kaiser, Jr., Walkerton; Jeff Kaiser, North Liberty; Jason and Kevin Kaiser, Walkerton. Three granddaughters, Robyn and Jamie Klingerman, South Bend and Erica Kaiser, Walkerton, survive as well, together with two great-grandchildren: Dillon Kaiser, Walkerton, and Natalee Kaiser, North Liberty.

Two brothers, Keith and Nancy Kaiser, Bremen, and Harold and Leslie Kaiser, Mishawaka, also survive together with a sister, Evedene and Jack Wilhelm, Plymouth.

Bob was preceded in death by his parents.

Friends will be welcomed by the family at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, on Thursday, June 24, 2004, from 4 to 8 p.m. An I.O.O.F. service by
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the Tyner Lodge #821 will be held at 8 p.m. in the funeral home.

Funeral services for Bob will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, June 25, 2004, in the funeral home. The Rev. James Gilmer, pastor of Shalom Fellowship Church will officiate.

Interment will be in the Morris Park Cemetery, LaPaz, Ind.

Memorial contributions may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

Bernard D. Kaiser


Bernie was born in Chicago on May 30, 1916, the son of Mathias and Frances Lynch Kaiser. Raised in Knox, Ind., he graduated from Knox High School with the class of 1935 and then attended Purdue University.

In August of 1952, in South Bend, he was married to Blondena Hoffman, who died in 1988. A year later, in Plymouth, Bernie and Genevra Wright were married, she survives.

For over 28 years, Bernie was a steam fitter with the South Bend Bendix Corp. He retired in 1977.

A member and considered a lifetime trustee of the First United Methodist Church, he loved assisting in many ways. He was a longtime member of the Plymouth Kilwinning Masonic Lodge No. 149, the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite-Valley of South Bend and York Rite of which he was a former high priest of Royal Arch Masons. Bernie was a member of the Plymouth Kiwanis Club and served as past president of the Pioneer Auto Association.

In addition to his appreciation of antique cars, Bernie was an avid golfer well into his late 70’s. He loved his grandchildren and gathered great joy in being called Grandpa.

Bernie is survived by his wife, Genevra, and a daughter, Carolyn L. and Bud Goddard, Aurora, Ill. Two step-daughters, Sarah and Bill Reichart, Bourbon, and Judy Hale, Niles, Mich., and a step-son, Jim Wright of Spear Fish, S.D., survive as well.

Six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren, a sister, Phyllis Bullock, Pleasanton, Calif., and a brother, Gerald Kaiser, Hemet, Calif. are also survivors.

Bernie was preceded in death by his parents, his first wife, four brothers and a sister.

A celebration of his life will be held from 4 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, January 21, 2004, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth. Masonic Rites will follow at 7 p.m. in the funeral home.

Funeral services will be in the funeral home on Thursday morning, January 22, 2004, at 10:30 a.m. The Rev. Dr. Dean Fager, pastor of the First United Methodist Church, Plymouth, will officiate.

Entombment will be in the Riverview Cemetery, South Bend.

Memorial gifts in Bernie’s memory may be made to the First United Methodist Church or to a charity of the donor’s choice.
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Sister James Keegan

Sister James Keegan, 77, of the Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ (P.H.J.C.), died at 12:50 pm on Tuesday, February 10, 2004, in the Catherine Kasper Home, Donaldson.

Born in East Chicago, IN, on May 20, 1926, she was the daughter of Francis and Ethel Davis Keegan.

She entered the convent on June 25, 1946, and professed her first vows on June 26, 1948. Sister also earned an Associates Degree in Child Care.

Sister James Keegan, P.H. J. C., known as “Ma James”, spent 52 years taking care of boys. From 1948 to 1957 she worked at St. John’s Orphanage in Belleville, IL. Then from 1957-1966 and 1969-1974 she was at Angel Guardian Orphanage in Chicago, IL. She was at St. Vincent Villa in Fort Wayne, IN from 1966-1969. Sister then worked at Young House Boys Group Home in Burlington, IA, from 1974-1987. She worked at Boys Hope in Evanston, IL from 1987-2000, then lived at St. Henry Convent in Chicago from 2000-2004, where she continued to keep in contact with “her boys.” Sister James came to the Catherine Kasper Home in Donaldson, IN on January, 31, 2004.

Sister James is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Marguerite McMahon, Highland, IN, and Mrs. Helen Oliver, Michigan City, IN, plus several nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be from 4:30 to 9 p.m. on Thursday, February 12, 2004 in the Catherine Kasper Home in Donaldson, IN.

A Mass of Christian Burial, officiated by Father Edward Konerman, S.J., will take place in the Catherine Kasper Home chapel at 11:30 a.m., Friday, February 13, 2004.

Interment will be in Mt. Carmel Cemetery, Donaldson, IN.

Ruth L. Kennedy

Ruth L. Kennedy, 86, of 14637, died of natural causes at 6:06 p.m. on Saturday, January 10, 2004, in the Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Born in Lakeville, Ind., on September 23, 1917, Ruth was the daughter of John and Alma Miller Smith. She attended Lakeville High School.

On June 10, 1937, Ruth and Lewis Kennedy were married by Father Eberlee in St. Michael’s Roman Catholic Church. Lewis died in December of 1982.

Ruth was a seamstress, working, until she retired from Rochester’s Hart, Schaffner and Marx.

She loved to sew and go fishing in Dixon Lake. She enjoyed traveling, especially on trips to Alaska where her greatest joy was catching salmon.

A member of the Royal Neighbors Club, Ruth was a member of St. Michael’s Roman Catholic Church.

She is survived by a daughter and two sons. Her daughter is Alma Fassel of Juneau, Alaska, and her sons: Hubert and Saundra Kennedy, Warsaw and Byron Kennedy, Plymouth.

She is also survived by eight grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.
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Ruth was preceded in death by her parents, her husband and three sisters: Ione, Gertrude and Juanita.

A celebration of Ruth’s life will be held on Wednesday, January 14, 2004, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, from 4 to 7 p.m. A Rosary will be prayed at 7 p.m. in the funeral home.

Funeral services, officiated by Father William Kummer, pastor of St. Michael’s Roman Catholic Church, will be held in the funeral home on Thursday, January 15, 2004, at 11 a.m.

Interment will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorials in Ruth’s memory may be made to Midwest Assistance Dogs, Inc.; P.O. Box 1891, South Bend, Ind. 46634.

Marilyn Anne Klein

Marilyn Anne “Sis” Klein, 69, a Plymouth area resident most of her life, passed away Thursday, July 22, 2004, in the Catherine Kasper Life Center, Donaldson.

Born on April 11, 1935, in South Bend, Ind., Marilyn was born the daughter of Jerry H. and Mary Early Auer. She was a graduate of Lakeville High School and continued her education as an adult taking night courses in computer programming.

She worked for the U.S. Census Bureau and her joy of gardening was broadened while she worked at the Plymouth Garden Center.

Marilyn is survived by two daughters, two sons and 6 grandchildren. They are Susan and Tom Schlarb of Wyatt, Ind., Lisa and Gene Robinson of Colorado Springs, Colorado, Greg Klein of LaPaz, Ind. and Phillip and Teresa Klein of Milford, Ind.

Her two brothers and one sister are John Auer of Michigan, Thomas Auer of Wisconsin and Janet Reed of Bremen, Ind. Four nieces and four nephews also survive.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Family services will take place.

Memorial gifts in her memory may be given to Catherine Kasper Life Center, P.O. Box 1 Union Rd. Attn: Sharon, Donaldson, IN 46513 or St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital, 332 N. Lauderdale, Memphis, TN 38105

Jacqueline L. (O’Keefe) Kubley

Jacqueline L. (O’Keefe) Kubley, 74, of Orkney Dr. died in her home at 5:40 a.m. Sunday after a brief illness. She was born November 22, 1929 in Plymouth, IN to Edgar and Juanita (Clizbe) O’Keefe.

On February 2, 1949, she married Jacky J. Kubley who preceded her in death May 16, 1976. Jackie is survived by a son, Jacque E. Kubley of Bloomington, IN, two daughters, Teresa (David) Betz of South Bend and Bridget (Dale) Hathaway of Honolulu, HI. She is also survived by eight grandchildren, Wendy (David) Betz Chapman and Stephen Betz of South Bend, Andrew (Asako) Betz, Denver, CO, Jacob Sims, U. S. Army, Alicia and Julian Kubley, Bloomington, Lydia and Emma Hathaway, Honolulu and by one great-grandson, Corin Chapman, South Bend.

While raising her three children, Jackie returned to college and received her Bachelor of
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Jackie enjoyed spending time with her family and friends, collecting dolls and antiques and reading. She traveled extensively through the world; her trip to Africa being her most memorable.

Jackie was an active member of St. Paul’s Episcopal Church in Mishawaka and the Episcopal Diocese of Northern Indiana Church Women’s Board. She was also in the Northern Indiana Cursillo Community, Wythougan Doll Club and the United Federation of Doll Clubs.

Visitation will be from 5 to 8 p.m., Tuesday, at St. Paul’s Episcopal Church, 616 Lincolnway East, Mishawaka. Funeral services, officiated by the Rev. David Ottsen, will be at Church on Wednesday, at 10 a.m. Graveside services will take place at 2 p.m. Wed. in the Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Church or to the Hospice of St. Joseph County.

Marjorie L. Ladig

Marjorie L. Ladig, 71, of Knox, Ind., died in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne, Ind., at 2:10 p.m. on Wednesday, October 27, 2004. A resident of Knox since 1988, coming from Chicago, she died due to an occupational accident at her workplace.

Marjorie was born at home in Plymouth on August 30, 1933. She was the daughter of George William Sr. and Elizabeth Edith Cox Mlnarik.

She graduated from Knox High School in 1951 and took business courses in Chicago following her graduation.

Marjorie worked in the Chicago Sears Roebuck & Co. store for 25 years. She was an assistant buyer in the purchasing department and traveled extensively through her job. She has worked periodically in the Del Monte plant in Plymouth since 1999.

Very creative, Marjorie was talented in painting and crafting. One of her specialties was decorating gourds. She always enjoyed traveling, both in the United States and abroad.

She was a member of the Episcopal Church.

Marjorie is survived by Maryann Sherman, a sister, living in South Bend. A nephew, Rodney L. Sherman, South Bend, and six nieces also survive. They are: Cheryl A. Eiszner, Indianapolis; Janice L. Adkins, South Bend; Debra M. Mlnarik, Georgia; man, Lemont, Ill.; Sally A. Haack, Illinois and Donna L. Scott, Florida.

She was preceded in death by her parents, a son, Douglas Ladig who died in 1980, two sisters, Betty L. Southard and Evelyn V. West and a brother, George D. Mlnarik Jr.

The family will receive friends from noon to 1 p.m. on Saturday, October 30, 2004, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Memorial services will follow visitation at 1 p.m. on Saturday.

Interment will be in the Bohemian National Cemetery, Chicago at a later date.
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Belva L. Large

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Belva L. Large, 92, a resident of Bremen Manor for the past five years, died at 3:45 p.m. on Saturday, June 12, 2004 in Memorial Hospital, South Bend. She had been a resident of Leesburg, Florida for many years before moving to Bremen.

Born on March 1, 1912, in Rochester, Ind., Belva was the daughter of Lewis H. and Readah Baldwin Cleland. She attended schools in the Rochester area.

Belva was married to Alfred L. Large, who preceded her in death on September 10, 1987.

She worked as a secretary at the Culver Military Academy for many years.

She enjoyed doing word search puzzles, and putting together jigsaw puzzles.

Belva is survived by two sons: Roger and Darlene Large, and their children, Julia Weiss; Dan and Michelle Large; Mikel and Terri Large and Jason and Julie Large, all of Plymouth, Ind. and Richard and Sally Large of Cordova, Tenn. and their children, Laura and David Huggins of Oakland, Tenn.; Alan and Daphne Large of Germantown, Tenn. and Steven and Debbie Large of Franklin, Ohio.

Seventeen great grandchildren survive, along with two brothers: Joe and Betty Cleland of South Bend, Ind.; Glenn Cleland of Rochester, Ind., and two sisters: Virginia Tippy of Columbia City, Ind.; Barbara and Bob Clevenger of Lake Havasu City, Arizona.

Belva was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, a grandson, Randall Large, and two brothers, Lewis Cleland and George Cleland.

Friends will be welcomed by Belva’s family from 4 to 7 p.m. on Tuesday, June 15, 2004, at Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, Ind.

Funeral services will be on Wednesday, June 16, 2004 at 10:00 a.m. in the funeral home. The Rev. John Perkinson, pastor of the Shiloh Wesleyan Church, will officiate.

Interment will be in Leiters Ford Cemetery, Leiters Ford, Ind.

Memorial gifts in Belva’s memory may be made to a charity of the donor’s choice.

Dorothy L. Lawrence

Johnson & Danielson Funeral Home

Lifetime Plymouth resident, Dorothy L. Lawrence, 89, formerly of Lawrence Lake, residing at 224 Eastwood for the past three years, died at 10 a.m. on Monday, March 29, 2004. She died of natural causes in the Kingston Memory Care Center, Fort Wayne, Ind.

Dorothy, a 1933 graduate of West High School, was born in Plymouth on April 24, 1914. She was the daughter of Thomas E. and May Walterhouse Taylor.

On May 9, 1935, in Plymouth, Dorothy and Willard J. Lawrence were married. Willard died on December 13, 1972.

From a humble beginning in 1949, Dorothy and her husband forged a living in the redi-mix concrete business. She served the now widely known and respected Transit-Mix Company as vice-president until her age of 80 and has remained on the Board of Directors. She loved the family business and was proud of the company and its’ growth, under the leadership of Will and Dixie Lawrence, now serving seven communities.

Dorothy, a doting grandmother, enjoyed her family, gardening and travel. A charming host, she...
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enjoyed having guests in her home and was a quiet supporter of many community efforts.

A member of over 50 years, she was active in the Trinity United Methodist Church and served as a past president of the Mary and Martha Club.

Dorothy is survived by a daughter and a son. Her daughter is Joyce Lawrence, Huntertown, Ind., and her son and daughter-in-law, Will and Dixie Lawrence, Plymouth, Ind.

Mitchell Lawrence, her grandson of West Lafayette, Ind., and Tamara Hale, a step-granddaughter, Jeffersonville, Ind., and Kevin Pierce, a step-grandson, Culver, survive as well.

Three step-great-grandchildren also survive, together with a sister, Roma and Charles Jones, and three brothers, Ervin Taylor, Richard and Mary Taylor and Walter “Mike” and Irene Taylor, all of Plymouth, survive as well.

Dorothy was preceded in death by her parents, her spouse and a sister, Thelma Mertz.

Friends may call to share memories and to celebrate the life of Dorothy Lawrence with her family from 4 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, April 1, 2004, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth. Additional visitation will be also for one hour prior to services in the church.

Funeral services for Dorothy will be in the Trinity United Methodist Church, 425 S. Michigan St., Plymouth, at 11 a.m. on Friday, April 2, 2004. The Rev. William Kaster, pastor of the church, will officiate.

Interment will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Dorothy’s memory may be made to the Heartland Home Healthcare & Hospice, 1513 Directors Row, Suite 210, Fort Wayne, Ind., 46808 or to the Trinity United Methodist Church.

Richard Glenn Listenberger

Richard “Dick” Glen Listenberger, living for the past 20 years in the home he was born in, 914 Thayer St., Plymouth, died in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth, at 10:23 p.m. on Wednesday, January 14, 2004. Dick died after a courageous 2 1/2 year battle with lung cancer. He was one day shy of being 69 years old, dying the day before his birthday.

Born January 15, 1935, Dick was the son of Walter W. and Alta C. Hess Listenberger. He graduated from Plymouth High School with the class of 1953.

Dick served his country as a cook in the United States Army.

On March 27, 1964, in Plymouth, Dick and Anna E. Cochran were married.

As a youngster he sold vegetables throughout the neighborhood and then worked in the South Side Grocery. Just prior to his military service he went to work for United Telephone, now the Sprint Telephone Company.

Upon completion of his tour of duty, he returned to Sprint to complete a 42 year career, retiring in 1993.

Dick was a member of the men’s bowling league. He enjoyed fishing of all kinds and sported a prize fish from the waters of Arkansas. He enjoyed the challenges of working with a computer and doing crossword puzzles. His children and grandchildren were important to Dick and he
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enjoyed them and their many sporting events and activities.

He attended the Cornerstone Community Fellowship, LaPaz, and was a member of Moose Lodge #741.

Dick is survived by his wife, Anna, and by their children: nine daughters and two sons and their spouses.


Twenty-nine grandchildren and six great-grandchildren also survive, together with several nieces and nephews.

Dick was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers; Robert Listenberger and an infant brother, Walter, Jr. Two sisters, Irene Anderson and Donna Belle Gollnow have also died. Friends may call at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, from 2 to 6 p.m. on Sunday, January 18, 2004.

Funeral services officiated by Rev. Stephen Cox, pastor of the Cornerstone Community Fellowship, LaPaz will be held in the funeral home on Monday, January 19, 2004, at 10:30 a.m.

Interment will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth, where military graveside honors will be accorded him by the V.F.W. Post 1162.

Memorial gifts in Dick’s memory may be made to the Marshall County Hospice or the St. Joe Cancer Treatment Center.

Arthur Junior Long
Johnson & Danielson Funeral Home

Arthur Junior Long, 74, a former Plymouth resident, living for the past 10 years at 1404 N. Wilber St., South Bend, ended a battle with cancer at 9:45 p.m. on Monday, February 9, 2004, at home in the company and care of his family and St. Joseph County Hospice.

Born on April 25, 1929, he was the son of Arthur and Ollie Johnson Long. He graduated from Polk Township - Tyner High School in 1947.

He was formerly married to Mary E. Rowe and Carol J. Lotz.

On May 20, 1994, in South Bend, he and Janet M. Morris were wed and enjoyed nearly ten years together.

Art first worked for the Studebaker Corp., and later was a supervisor for Pilgrim Farms in Plymouth. In 1975, he joined Irrigation Solutions of Lakeville, Ind. in the sales of farm irrigation systems.

Called a ‘workaholic,’ by his family and friends, he was capable of fixing absolutely everything. He was a Chicago Bears fan and supported Indiana University and Notre Dame athletics.

He was a member of Moose Lodge 741, Plymouth.

Art is survived by his spouse and by two daughters, three sons, and ten step-children. They
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are: Judy E. and Pat Fuller, Warsaw, Ind.; Sue E. Grable, Fort Wayne, Ind.; David K. Long, Hollywood, Fla.; Bryan “Sam” and Naomi Long, South Bend, Ind.; Curtis R. and Brooke Long, Plymouth, Ind.

His step-children are: Rick Conely, Jeff Stetler and Sue Sullivan, all of Plymouth, Ind.; Lisa Kern, Syracuse, Ind.; William Morris, Atlanta, Ga.; Jennifer Wright, Michael Morris, Daniel Morris, Richard Morris and Stephanie Montgomery, all of South Bend.

Thirty grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren also survive together with four sisters. They are: Betty Geible, Sebring, Fla.; Doris Lamborn, Plymouth, Ind.; Grace Hutchinson, South Bend, Ind.; and Mary Dare, Teegarden, Ind.

Art was preceded in death by his parents, a son, James A. Long, a granddaughter, Miranda Sue Wethington and a brother, Glen Long.

Visititation and the sharing of memories with the family will be in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, from 5 to 7 p.m. on Thursday, February 12, 2004.

Funeral services for Art will take place at 7 p.m. on that same date, Thursday, February 12, 2004, in the funeral home. The Reverends Paul McBride and David Kerkove, will officiate.

Committal services will take place at 11 a.m. on Friday, February 13, 2004, in the Highland Cemetery Chapel on Portage Ave., in South Bend. Interment will be in Highland Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts to the family will be appreciated.

Mearlie Manuwal Johnson & Danielson Funeral Home

Mearlie Manuwal, 15771 14th Rd., Plymouth, a lifetime Plymouth resident, died of natural causes at 5:26 p.m. on Saturday, January 17, 2004, in the Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Mearlie, 92, had lived with her son, Dale and his wife, Carolyn, since June of 2000.

Born in Plymouth, the daughter of Reuben and Emily Singleton McKesson on June 16, 1911, Mearlie attended Plymouth schools.

On March 18, 1928, in Plymouth, Myrl G. Manuwal and Mearlie were married. Myrl died on July 23, 1990.

A homemaker, she enjoyed most of all, being with her family. She loved to sew and usually had a needle and thread in her hand. She made many quilts, lap robes, pot holders and other useful and decorative items.

When she was younger she enjoyed hunting mushrooms. She made numerous bus trips across the United States and liked watching golf on T.V. Her favorite game was Rumicube and she was a fan of Southern Gospel music.

Mearlie is survived by two sons: Fred and Brenda Manuwal, Rochester, Ind., and Dale and Carolyn Manuwal, Plymouth.

Seven grandchildren also survive. They are: Tim and Janet Manuwal; Elizabeth and Joe Bottorff; and Barb and Garry Hartman; Denny and Mary Manuwal, Karen Woods and Mary Manuwal, all of Plymouth; and Vicki Manuwal of Indianapolis.

Fifteen great-grandchildren and 16 great-great-grandchildren survive as well.
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Mearlie was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, Myrl, six sisters and a brother and James Lee Manuwal, a grandson and Devin Cole Manuwal, a great-great grandson.

A celebration of her life will be held from 4 to 7 p.m. on Tuesday, January 20, 2004, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Mearlie will be on Wednesday, January 21, 2004, at 10:30 a.m. in the funeral home. The Rev. Rick Gaul, pastor of the Open Bible Church where Mearlie attended services, will officiate.

Interment will be in the New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in her memory may be made to a charity of the donor’s choice.

Rowena Mae Markley, 86, died of natural causes at 10:50 p.m. on Tuesday, March 16, 2004. Formerly of Plymouth, Rowena died at Timbercrest Senior Living Center, North Manchester, Ind.

She was born in Bourbon, Ind., on March 3, 1918, the daughter of Harry O. and Mary Lilian Warnacut Compton. She was the third of five children.

In a loving tribute to his mother, Donald Markley wrote of the family: “Mary was consummately dedicated to her children. When faced with a mortgage foreclosure by the bank, she simply wrote Franklin Delano Roosevelt, stating that she could provide food for her children, but he must keep the roof over their heads.

“One week later, money arrived at the bank; the Compton household continued to flourish. This was mother Mary’s dictate: ‘We protect the children at all costs!’ Rowena learned well from her mother,” Donald said. “She would protect the children of the world by bringing them to Christ.”

On May 29, 1937, in Bourbon, Rowena and Cecil F. Markley were married. They had met three years before on a hot summer night in Plymouth. Cecil died, holding Rowena’s hand, on October 6, 2000. The couple had enjoyed 66 years of marriage. Their son, Donald, said that they were both so thankful for having found each other, that they very rarely exchanged cross words. They were too much in love.

A Bourbon High School graduate, Rowena was very talented. Her early years involved being a legal secretary, realty secretary, license branch worker and shoe salesperson on the weekends.

Donald described her life changing experience as a happening in 1953 when Ruth (Graham) Lyons entered Rowena’s life. “Ruth was the catalyst that sent Rowena into church work,” he wrote. “She became so filled with the Spirit of God that she virtually ‘bonded’ with the church. From 1953 until 1980, she worked in Children’s Education with the Plymouth Church of the Brethren as well as doing chaplaincy work at Parkview Hospital. In 1973, she was called to be a Life Time Licensed Minister.”

Rowena often stated that “working for Christ and the church were the best years of my life.” Cecil and Rowena continued their own mission well into retirement. They visited with nursing home residents, many of whom were lonely with no family. She continued this until her death. She welcomed the task of transporting parishioners from the poorer areas of Plymouth for many years. In 1980, Rowena received an award from the pastors of Plymouth for her contributions to Christianity in Plymouth.
At her retirement, in 1980, the Plymouth Church gave her a trip to the Holy Lands. She never stopped remarking about this visit to her sacred beginnings.

Rowena is survived by her son and daughter-in-law: Donald W. and Connie Markley, Plainwell, Mich.

Two grandchildren, Krista Markley, Grand Rapids, Mich., and Kurtis Markley, Phoenix, Ariz., also survive, together with a sister, Betty Grossman, Argos, Ind., and a close nephew and his wife, Donald and Mary Aker, Plymouth, Ind. Don Aker lived with Rowena and Cecil for a while when he was in high school. They loved him just like a son.

Rowena was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, a sister, Naomi Dixon and two brothers, Robert Compton and Ross Compton.

Friends are invited to come and share memories with her family of Rowena’s life and service to her church and her community. Visitation will be from noon to 2 p.m. on Saturday, March 20, 2004, in the Plymouth Church of the Brethren, 1130 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services, officiated by the Rev. David Kerkove, pastor of the Plymouth Church of the Brethren, will follow visitation at 2 p.m.

Entombment will be in the New Oakhill Mausoleum, Plymouth, Ind.

Funeral arrangements have been made by the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, Ind.

Memorial gifts in Rowena’s memory may be made to the Plymouth Church of the Brethren or to the Timbercrest Retirement Home.

Carlton W. McAvey

Carlton W. McAvey, 82, 700 Berkley Street #318, Plymouth, passed away at 4:30 p.m. Monday, December 27, 2004 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth, Indiana.

He was born on November 2, 1922 in Lewiston, Maine to Charles and Blanche (Groves) McAvey.

Surviving is his wife, Yvonne Lowery. They were married on April 28, 1946 at Saint Joseph Church in Somerville, Massachusetts. Also surviving is their son, Carlton C. McAvey and their grandsons, Michael McAvey and Brendon McAvey, all of Tampa, Florida.

There will be no visitation or funeral services. Burial will be held at a later date.

Van Gilder Funereal Home, Plymouth, is in charge of the arrangements.

Rev. Jean Franklin McCan

The Rev. Jean Franklin McCan, 76, died at 10 p.m. of natural causes in his residence, the United Methodist parsonage in Hamlet, Ind., on Tuesday, October 26, 2004.

Born at home in Plymouth on May 5, 1928, Jean was the son of John Donald and Edith Ellen Freese McCan. He graduated from West High School with the class of 1946. He earned his bachelors degree in Zoology from Indiana University, Bloomington, and his master's degree in Theology from the Theological Seminary of Naperville, Illinois.

He was first married to Mildred P. Hayn of Tyner, Ind., on August 14, 1949 in Plymouth. Four children were born from that union: Midgie, Renita, James and John. He later married Sharon
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K. Suddarth on October 5, 1996, in Fayetteville, N.C.

Jean served as a United Methodist minister in many central and northern Indiana communities over a 40 year period. He currently served the Hamlet and Grovertown congregations of the United Methodist Church.

He enjoyed spectator sports and reading presidential biographies. He was very interested in current politics and elections. It is perhaps fitting that his funeral services will be held on Election Day; he would have liked that.

A weather watcher, he always watched the Weather Channel on television.

A member of the Hamlet Lions’ Club, he was involved in their many activities.

His wife Sharon survives his death as does his four children by his first marriage.

They are: Midgie Jeanne and Steven Harper, Lafayette, Ind.; Renita Rae Shaw, Lafayette, Ind.; James L. and Carolyn McCan, Orlando, Fla.; and John D. and Kelli McCan, Tampa, Fla.

Fifteen grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren survive as well.

Four step-children also survive. They are: Mialynn Roberts, Sturgis, Mich.; Jonathon Suddarth, Shipshewana, Ind.; David Suddarth, Fayetteville, N.C. and Sarah Suddarth, also of Fayetteville, N.C.

Three sisters and a brother survive Jean’s death. They are: R. June and Ralph Schaal, Plymouth, Ind.; Joyce Morris, Plymouth, Ind.; Lynette and Paul Hartman, Oklahoma City, Okla.; and Larry and Barbara McCan, Plymouth, Ind. Hazel McCan, a sister-in-law of Knox also survives.

Numerous nieces and nephews also survive.

Jean was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Delmar McCan.

The family will welcome visitors at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, on Monday, November 1, 2004, from 4 to 8 p.m., and for one hour prior to funeral services on Tuesday.

The funeral services at the funeral home will be held on Tuesday, November 2, 2004, at 11 a.m., the Rev. Dr. David A. Schrader, Superintendent of the United Methodist North Indiana Conference will officiate.

Interment will follow in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Jean’s memory may be made to a charity of the donor’s choice.

Dr. Clark "Mac" McClure

Dr. Clark "Mac" McClure, M.D., 81, a longtime physician in Knox, Ind., died of heart failure at his home, 5100 North Ocean Blvd., 33308, at 5:30 p.m. on Saturday, January 10, 2004. Mac died with his wife, Carolyn Kizer McClure, several family members and hospice nurses at his side.

A graduate of Bloomington, Ind., High School, Mac graduated from Indiana University and the I.U. Medical School. While at Indiana University, he was on an NCAA winning track team.
A World War II veteran, Mac served in the United States Army and was one of the first soldiers into the Polish concentration camps.

He held a private pilot's license and enjoyed flying his own twin-engine plane for many years. An avid golfer, he was past president of the Plymouth Country Club and enjoyed summers at his and Carolyn's home at Pretty Lake.

While in Knox, he was in partnership with the late Dr. Howard Henry and later served as an ER physician in Valparaiso. Mac was a member of the American Medical Association and the College of Emergency Room Physicians. He retired from medicine in 1984, to Ft. Lauderdale where he was on the board of his condominium and past president of the Sea Ranch Club Condo Association.

Mac and Carolyn Kizer were married in South Bend, Ind., on March 17, 1962. He is survived by Carolyn and by their family: three daughters and two sons.

They are: Dr. William and Karen McClure and their children, Taylor and Kelsey; Dr. Lynn and Jan McDonald and their children, Brook and Nash, all of Bend, Oregon; Cindy McClure, Portland, Oregon; Cathy and Peter Buchanan of Lighthouse Point, Fla., and their children, Caitlin, Allison, Courtney and John; and Steve and Tina McClure of Ft. Lauderdale.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his first wife, Elizabeth “Birdie” Johnson McClure.

Family services will be held in Ft. Lauderdale.

Memorial gifts in Mac's memory may be made to the VITAS Hospice Healthcare Corp. of Florida, 5420 N.W. 33rd Avenue, Suite 100, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. 33309.

Imogene Davenport McKesson, 79, affectionately known as “Spud,” died of natural causes in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth, at 10:10 a.m. on Wednesday, October 20, 2004. A Walkerton area resident most of her life, she lived at 14442 W. 1st Rd., Plymouth, Ind.

She was born the daughter of Noble and Ruth Wells Lemmons in Vincennes, Ind., on December 20, 1924. From the age of 10, she was raised as a daughter by Foster and Ora Davenport.

A graduate of LaPaz High School with the class of 1942, She also took business courses in Fort Wayne, Ind. On January 5, 1946, in Fort Wayne, Imogene and Leon W. McKesson were married. Leon died February 23, 2002.

Imogene worked at Howe Met Corporation in LaPorte. She was a mold maker for airplane parts and retired from her job in 1982.

he enjoyed fishing. She was an avid mushroom hunter and enjoyed watching and feeding the birds. She was very active in her church, the Walkerton United Methodist Church.

Imogene is survived by a brother, Foster Lee and Joy Davenport, Plymouth, and a sister, Doris Patterson, Avon Park, Florida.

Several nieces and nephews survive as well.

She was preceded in death by her parents and by Foster and Ora Davenport. A brother, Don L. Davenport, has also died.
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Visitation with the family to celebrate her life will be in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, on Sunday, October 24, 2004 from 4 to 7 p.m. and at the Walkerton United Methodist Church, 1000 Georgia St, Walkerton, for one hour prior to services on Monday.

Funeral services for Imogene, officiated by Rev. James Evans, will be at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, October 25, 2004, in the Walkerton United Methodist Church.

Burial will be in the Woodlawn Cemetery, Walkerton, Ind.

Memorial gifts in memory of Imogene may be made to the Walkerton United Methodist Church.

Glendon J. Meredith, 82, died, after an extended illness, at 12:30 a.m. on Tuesday, October 19, 2004. Glen died in his home, 805 Baker St., #48, in the loving care of his family and Marshall County Hospice.

Born in Argos, Ind., in the old Kelly Hospital on October 4, 1922, Glen was the son of Eugene J. and Louberta L. Gunkle Meredith. He lived in Argos most of his life, graduating from Argos High School in 1942.

He joined the army shortly after his graduation and served as a sergeant with the 351st Army Engineers. His unit saw action in England and France and fought in the Battle of the Bulge, receiving ribbons for three campaigns. He returned to the States in 1945.

Glen retired after 31 years as an electrician in the Plymouth sub-station maintenance department of Northern Indiana Public Service Co. (NIPSCO).

Glen and Carole S. McKean Chamberlin were married on December 14, 1973. Carole was a widow with seven children and Glen a bachelor, when he chose to help raise her young family. Always the gentleman, Glen was a very kind and caring husband and father for all 31 years.

Glen said in a 2001 interview, “all of the children are like my own.”

And, he in turn, truly became a father to them.

A handy man, Glen enjoyed “piddling” with wood working, making various items for all of his family. An avid golfer, he enjoyed playing the game for over 40 years with his friend Dave Scheetz and later, a threesome with Lynn Van Der Weele.

A nature lover, Glen and Carole enjoyed drives in the country.

A member of St. Michael’s Catholic Church since 1974, he was a strong believer in the power of prayer. Desperately ill four years ago with chronic lymphocytic leukemia and cancerous bladder tumors, his life was extended, he said, “by prayers from the St. Michael’s family and many other churches.”

Glen had served in the Color Guard of the Argos American Legion, a past officer in the Argos Lions Club and the Argos High School Alumni. He was a 32nd Degree Mason, and later became an active 3rd Degree member of the Knights of Columbus.

He was also a member of a group called “The Grumpies,” who met monthly as part of a wide network of special friends, sometimes golfing together as well as reminiscing.
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Glen is survived by Carole, his loving wife and his dearly beloved step-children. They are: Christine and Chuck Lee; Becky and Alan Collins; both of Plymouth; Jim Chamberlin of Mt. Pleasant, S.C., David and Susie Chamberlin; Tom and LeAnn Chamberlin; John and Julie Chamberlin and Matt and Mitch Chamberlin, all of Plymouth.

Sixteen grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren also survive.

Surviving as well are two sisters, Lucille "Lou" Warnacut, Plymouth and Jane Miller, Austin, Texas, along with several nieces and nephews.

Glen was preceded in death by his parents, his step-mother, Hazel Meredith, two sisters, Elnora Ferris and Guinivere Puppe and two brothers, Richard and Gordon Meredith. Two nephews, Jack Ferris and Tony Meredith and a great-nephew, Randy Helsel have also died.

Friends will be welcome to celebrate the life of Glen Meredith with his family at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, on Thursday, October 21, 2004, from 2 to 8 p.m. A Rosary will be said at 4 p.m. in the funeral home.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, October 22, 2004, in St. Michael’s Roman Catholic Church, 611 N. Center St., Plymouth. Father David Voors, personal friend and former pastor of St. Michael’s, now serving at Our Lady of Good Hope, Fort Wayne, Ind., will officiate.

Military graveside rites in New Oakhill Cemetery will be provided by the American Legion Post 68, Argos.

Memorial gifts in Glen’s memory may be made to the Marshall County Hospice or to St. Michael’s Church.

Judith Kaye Milliser, 64, 16059 W. 9th Road, Plymouth, Ind., died of natural causes at 1:14 a.m. on Tuesday, May 4, 2004, in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Born in Warsaw, Ind., on February 20, 1940, the daughter of Ray and Margaret Bowen, On September 23, 1957, in Marshall County, she married Phillip Milliser.

Judi retired from UPS, Bourbon, Ind., in December of 2002. She was a ‘feeder driver,’ also referred to as a truck driver.

A lover of life, Judi loved her grandchildren and being with them and traveling. She loved to gamble and enjoyed trips with friends to the Casino Boat.

She was a member of the Lakeville Ladies Auxiliary of the American Legion and the auxiliary of the Plymouth Moose Club.

Judi is survived by her husband, Phillip, and their two daughters, a son and their families.

They are Marcia Firestone, Plymouth; Tracie and Ronald Cassler, South Bend and Phillip and Julie Milliser, Jr., Plymouth.

Three grandchildren also survive: from Plymouth, there is Jennifer Sanchez and Joline Milliser. Grandson, Jonathan Phillip Cassler, is from South Bend. Three great-grandchildren, Devin, Masen and Alysen Sanchez, all of Plymouth, survive as well.
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Margaret Bowen, Judi’s mother, and her four sisters and six brothers also survive. Her sisters are: Betty Goodman, South Haven, Ind., Jane Jackson, Bourbon, Ind., Linda Dickson, Bremen, Ind., and Sandy Conley, LaPaz, Ind.

Her brothers are: Jim Bowen, Bremen; Rick, Dennis, Larry, Gary and Mike Bowen, all of Lakeville, Ind.

Her father, a brother, Kenneth Bowen, and a sister, Connie Finley, preceded her in death.

There will be no visitation or funeral service.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Howard E. Mitchell, 80, of 433 E. 18th St., Rochester, Ind., died following an illness, at 11:50 p.m. on Friday, September 17, 2004, in the Life Care Center of Rochester.

Born in Mishawaka, Ind., on December 11, 1923, Howard was the son of William H. and Eva A. Stroup Mitchell. He attended Plymouth’s Washington Elementary School and moved to the Rochester area in 1968.

On September 20, 1942, in Hammond, Ind., Howard and Dorothy M. Ullery were married. Dorothy died on February 5, 2003.

A driver for various trucking firms for over 30 years, Howard retired in 1986. He derived great satisfaction from his work and enjoyed spectator sports of all kinds. Howard enjoyed playing the bass guitar, playing with his grandchildren and especially looked forward to family cookouts with apple pie a favorite.

He had been a member of the Blissville Church of the Brethren and then later the Akron Church of the Brethren.

Howard is survived by two daughters, a son and their families. They are: Connie Lou Mitchell, Rochester, Ind. and son Blake Mitchell; Sharon K. and Ed Willyerd, Lakeland, Fla. and children; Rhonda Carberg, Robyn and Gary Armstrong, Raquel and Dave Wyatt, and Nathan Willyerd. Monte D. Mitchell, Rochester, Ind. and children; Marlo and Rodney Hudson, Shayn Mitchell, Shanon and Tim Corn and Trey Mitchell. Fourteen great grandchildren also survive and the soon arrival of a great-great granddaughter.

Four brothers and numerous nieces and nephews survive. They are Charles W. Mitchell, Ventura, Calif.; Stanley (Pat) Mitchell, South Bend, Ind.; Robert E. Mitchell, Oklahoma City, Okla., and Rev. Glen A. (Sue) Mitchell, Plymouth, Ind. Marvin Mitchell, a half-brother living in Chicago, Ill., also survives.

Howard was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, a brother, Clarence H. Mitchell, a sister, Mae June Sullivan, Plymouth and a half-brother and half-sister: George M. Hammel and Pearl Dole.

Visitation with the family will be held from 4 – 8 p.m. Tuesday, September 21st in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, Ind.

Funeral services, officiated by Howard’s brother, Rev. Glen Mitchell, retired Assembly of God pastor and Rev. Erin Hurias, pastor of the Akron Church of the Brethren, will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday, September 22nd in the funeral home.
George W. Mlnarik, 73, of 11960E. 150N., Plymouth, Ind., died unexpectedly from natural causes at his residence.

Born in Chicago, Ill., on May 23, 1930, George was the son of George W. and Elizabeth E. Cox Mlnarik, Sr.. He graduated from Knox High School.

George served his country in the U.S. Navy during the Korean conflict. He later worked for many years in construction.

His favorite past-time was riding his Harley Davidson motorcycle.

George was a member of the Moose Lodge.

He is survived by four daughters: Debra M. Mlnarik of Georgia, Patricia S. and Allen Bitterman of Lemont, Ill., Sally A. Haack of Illinois and Donna L. and Eric Scott of Florida.

Six grandchildren also survive along with two sisters: Marjorie Ladig of Knox, Ind. and Maryann Sherman of South Bend, Ind.

Graveside services were held at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 5, 2004, at Union Cemetery, Plymouth, Ind. The Rev. Dean Snyder of the First Community Church of God, LaPaz, Ind., officiated.

Preston Eugene Morris, 72, of Lincoln Highway West in Plymouth, Indiana, passed away on Saturday, November 13th, in the St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, South Bend after a heroic battle with cancer.

A lifetime Plymouth resident, Gene was born on December 9, 1931 in Plymouth to Preston E. and Edith M. (Shirley) Morris. He was a graduate of West High School, Class of 1950, where he enjoyed playing basketball and baseball.

On December 25, 1952, he married Ruth A. Neidlinger, the love of his life and his wife of 52 years, in Culver, Indiana.

Gene served his country in the United States Air Force as an airplane mechanic during the Korean Conflict. He continued in a career of automotive repair service as owner/operator of Geno’s Auto-Truck Service from which he retired in 1984.

A man of action rather than words, he could build and fix anything in the time frame given him. He especially enjoyed time spent with family, fishing trips to Canada, gardening and canning. Gene loved playing cards, watching Notre Dame football, I.U. basketball, the Chicago Cubs, Audie Murphy and John Wayne movies.

Gene formerly attended the Union Church of the Brethren and was a former member of the V.F.W. Post 1162 of Plymouth.

Survivors include his loving wife, Ruth and their four children: Donna J. and Jim Burroughs of Argos, Diana L. Smiley and companion Ed Budka of Plymouth, Dennis E. Morris of Sevierville,
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Tenn., and David A. and Tracey Morris of Bunnell, Florida. Also surviving are six grandchildren: Tracy and Scott Moren of Bremen, Jason Smiley and companion Stacy Scibor of LaPorte, Amanda Burroughs of St. Louis, Missouri, Jimmy Burroughs of Bloomington, Indiana and Matthew and Marcus Morris of Bunnell, Florida. Gene’s beloved great-grandson Collin Moren age 2 of Bremen, a brother Phillip and Linda Morris of Zephyrhills, Florida and uncle Laurel and Carol Singleton of Knox also survive.

He was preceded in death by his parents, two infant twin brothers, a step sister Rozella Cobb and sister-in-law Rebecca Morris.

Friends may call from 5 – 8 p.m. Tuesday, November 16, 2004 in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St. Plymouth and one hour prior services.

A celebration service of this gentle man’s life will be held in the funeral home on Wednesday, November 17th at 1 p.m., the Rev. James Harper of Culver will officiate.

Burial will follow in the Union Cemetery where military rites will be accorded him by members of Veteran of Foreign Wars, Marshall County Post 1162.

Memorial gifts may be made to the American Cancer Society, Marshall Co. Unit, P.O. Box 515 Plymouth, Indiana 46563 or Indiana Ronald McDonald House, 1235 W. Michigan St., Indianapolis, Indiana 46223.

Helen Marie Murphy

Helen Marie Murphy, 75, formerly of Plymouth, died Nov. 29 at Southfield Village, in South Bend, following an extended illness.

She was born on April 20, 1929, to John Edward and Bertha Ellen (Hasley) Davis in the township of Newport, Ohio where she lived most of her youth. As a teenager, she moved to Culver, Ind., to live with her brother and sister-in-law, the Rev. George and Crystal Davis.

She graduated from Culver High School in 1947. On Nov. 4, 1950, she married Leo W. Murphy, of Plymouth, who preceded her in death in 1989.

Helen was a homemaker, mother and miracle worker who dedicated her life to supporting her family and their lives.

She is survived by a daughter, Karen Murphy Schefmeyer (Donald), of South Bend; a son, Leo W. Murphy, Jr. (Christine) of Chicago; a grandson, Thomas, of Chicago; two sisters, Mable Minor and Sylvia Ohmer, both of Newport, Ohio, and several nieces and nephews.

Besides her husband, she was preceded in death by her parents; two brothers, George and Clifford; and two sisters, Bessie Bell and Ethel Mae Pritchett.

In the early 50s, Helen and her husband lived in Germany while he was in the Army. Later, they settled north of Plymouth and started a small Christmas tree farm located on Old Michigan Road, just north of the outdoor theater. She was an avid gardener and became an expert in hostas, day lilies and daffodils. Each spring her yard was filled with thousands and thousands of daffodils.

She was a master gardener and a life-time member of Fernwood Nature Center. She also enjoyed fishing, camping and traveling throughout the US and Europe.

On Friday, visitation will be 10-11 a.m. and services at 11 a.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan, Plymouth. Family and friends are invited to a noon luncheon.
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Beaulah Louise Neidlinger

Beaulah Louise Neidlinger, 76, of 9712 King Road, Plymouth, died on Sunday, June 6, 2004, at 3:59 a.m. in the Hospice House of St. Joseph County. Beaulah died following a 10 year battle with cancer, that she bravely fought with the support of her family.

Born on April 15, 1928, in Kings, Ill., Beaulah was the daughter of Rolland L. and Helen M. Burns Fraley. She graduated from the Stillman Valley High School in 1946.

On June 23, 1950, in Kings, Ill., Beaulah and Dale L. Neidlinger were married.

She was a homemaker and a helpmate with Dale in their family farming operation.

She enjoyed vegetable and flower gardening, mowing the yard and above all caring for her grandchildren and watching their many sporting activities. She and Dale have traveled extensively in their motor home.

Beaulah was musically talented and enjoyed playing the omni-chord, a string instrument and also the organ. She was a member of the Plymouth Church of the Brethren for over 50 years.

Dale, her spouse of almost 54 years survives with their four children and families.

They are: Alan L. and Barbara Neidlinger, Michael W. and Paula Neidlinger, Brenda G. and Marty Uceny and Stuart J. and Melissa Neidlinger, all of Plymouth.

Her nine grandchildren are; Megan, Daniel, Alyson, Nicholas, Matthew, Morgan, Alex, Trisha and Trevor. Two sisters Ethel DeVore of Oregon, Ill. and Phyllis Tedrick of Winnebago, Ill. also survive with numerous nieces and nephews.

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

Friends will be welcomed by Beaulah’s family from 4 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, June 8, 2004, at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, and for one hour prior to services in the church.

The Rev. David Kerkove, pastor of the Church of the Brethren, 1130 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, will officiate at funeral services at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, June 9, 2004 in the church.

Interment will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in memory of Beaulah may be made to Hospice of St. Joseph or Marshall Counties.

Wayne R. Nelson

Wayne R. Nelson, 88, of 103 South Liberty Street, Plymouth, passed away Friday, November 26, 2004 at Miller's Merry Manor, Walkerton.

He was born on December 27, 1915, in Plymouth, to Walter and Stella (Fletcher) Nelson. Wayne and Mildred Albert were married on April 10, 1937 and had been married for 67 years.
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Wayne was a member of the Trinity United Methodist Church in Plymouth, and was the Chairman of the Board for 25 years. He started working for People's Drug store making sodas. When he retired he owned the People's Drug Store building and had worked there for 50 years. Wayne and Mildred then bought Powell's Hardware and named it Nelson Hardware. They owned and ran the business for a year. Wayne was a gardener and loved taking care of his flower and vegetable gardens. He also enjoyed fishing.

Wayne is survived by his wife, Mildred; their daughters, Chris and Don Marohon and Rhonda and Robert Arvesen, Jr. of Plymouth; his brothers, Wendell and Treva Nelson and Gordon Nelson, of Plymouth; his sisters, Mary Girten, Joan and Fred Wolff, Rosemarie Campbell, and Helen (Mick) Nelson all of Plymouth. Also surviving are six grandchildren, Jennifer DeMont of Plymouth, Mike and Theresa Arvesen of Indianapolis, Mandy and Chad Kinney of Plymouth, Jason and Matt Arvesen of Plymouth, and Dan and Genie Marohon of Plymouth. He was preceded in death by his brother, James.

Services will be held Monday, November 29, 2004 at 10:30 a.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home in Plymouth, with the Rev. William Kaster officiating. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Visitation will be Sunday, November 28, 2004 from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth.

The family requests that memorial contributions be given to Trinity United Methodist Church or to the choice of the donor.

Bessie Louella Ronk Nolin, 84, a Plymouth area resident most of her life, died at 7:32 p.m. on Tuesday, November 30, 2004, in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

She will be remembered as a devoted mother and grandmother who loved every one of her 15 grandchildren, four step-grandchildren, 28 great-grandchildren and six step-great-grandchildren.

Born in Camden, Ind., on February 7, 1920, she was the daughter of Thomas Grover and Goldalee Cree Ronk.

On July 6, 1942, in Hattiesburg, Miss., Bessie and James E. Nolin were married. James died on May 22, 1975.

Bessie was a dedicated 'angel of mercy.' Working in health care, she was a nurse's aide for 36 years at Parkview Hospital/ Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth. She worked in the Fulton County Hospital. She was an EMT at one time and also took care of several elderly people in home care after her retirement in 1995.

Her work experience included time as a seamstress in the 1960’s at Hart, Schnaffer and Marx in Rochester, Ind., and time spent helping out with pigs and chickens on the 20-acre farm on 14B and Olive Trail.

This year is the first year, in over 35 years, which she did not engage in her favorite sport of bowling. She was a regular on the Plymouth lanes and a very good and enthusiastic player for the Princess League Bowling Club every Wednesday night. She loved euchre and was an avid Bingo player. She did all sorts of needlework and was an expert in knitting and quilting.

Bessie was a member and state officer of the Mother of Twins Club. She also was a member of the American Legion, Post # 27, the VFW and the Moose Clubs in Plymouth.
She is survived by three sons, two daughters and a step-daughter.

Her sons and their wives are: Jim and Betty Nolin and Tom and Lisa Nolin, Argos, Ind., and Jerry and Jane Nolin, Warsaw, Ind. Her daughters are Linda and John Wakeland, Plymouth, and Sandra and Chris Heyde, Lakeville. Tommie Jean and Dale Ripper, Bessie’s step-daughter, live in Sandwich, Ill.

Also surviving is a brother and sister-in-law, Ernest and Thelma Ronk, Plymouth

Bessie was preceded in death by her parents, her husbands, and two sisters, Gladys Marie Ronk and Lucille Helton. A brother, Forrest “Shorty” Ronk, a brother, has also died.

Sharing memories and reminiscing with the family about Bessie’s long and service-filled life will be from 4:30 to 8 p.m., Friday, December 3, 2004, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth. There will also be one hour of calling prior to her funeral on Saturday.

Funeral services for Bessie will be in the First United Methodist Church, 400 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, where Bessie was a devoted member, on Saturday, December 4, 2004, at 10 a.m. The Rev. Dr. Dean Fager, pastor of the church, will officiate.

Interment will be in Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos, Indiana.

Memorial gifts in Bessie’s memory may be made to the First United Methodist Church or to the Leukemia Society.

Martha M. O’Blenis

Martha M. O’Blenis, 92, died of natural causes at her residence in Warsaw, Ind., 4109 Kuder Lane, where she had lived for the past three years coming from Plymouth, at 2:50 p.m. on Friday, December 10, 2004.

Born in Wabash, Ind., on September 2, 1912, Martha was the daughter of Henry A. and Maggie M. Gustin Kuschel.

She was married to Edward L. O’Blenis. Edward died on November 25, 1974.

Martha had attended nursing school but later worked many years for Bremen Package Masters. She operated the window glue machine in the production department, retiring at the age of 72.

A fastidious homemaker, Martha enjoyed sewing, baking and the company of her grandson and great granddaughters who lived near by.

She was a member of Union Local 14739 of the Steel Workers of America.

Martha is survived by her son and his wife, Edward F. and Ann O’Blenis of Sebring, Florida.

A grandson, Shawn L. Carpenter of Warsaw and two great-granddaughters, Victoria L. and Kacie L. Carpenter. Six additional grandchildren and numerous great-grandchildren also survive.

A sister, Mabel Stensel, Warsaw, and numerous nieces and nephews survive as well.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, a son, James L. O’Blenis and a daughter, Kathy M. Carpenter. Two brothers and five sisters also have died before her.
The family will welcome friends to celebrate Martha’s life on Tuesday, December 14, 2004, from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services will be held in the funeral home following visitation on Tuesday evening at 7 p.m. Pastor Greg Bouck of the Plymouth Wesleyan Church will officiate.

Burial take place in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Martha’s memory may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Glenn L. Overmyer
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Area farmer and longtime public servant, Glenn L. Overmyer, 92 of 15034 State Road 17, Culver died Wednesday, June 2, 2004 at 6:20 p.m., in the St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth. His death was due to complications from a fall on Saturday, May 29th at his home.

Glenn was born June 23, 1911 in Burr Oak to Lewis and Grace Overmyer. He was born on the Overmyer family farm. He was one of 11 children that Lew and Grace had, but Jacob, Irene and Ruth died early in their childhood, and the first Glenn died at birth. The seven remaining were Roy, Ford, Glenn, Helen, Mildred, Mae, and Robert. He and his six siblings attended Burr Oak Grade School right across the street from their home. He graduated from Culver High School in 1931, where he played first base on the baseball team. After graduation he continued to work on the family farm.

At the age of 31 he met the love of his life, Lucile Perkins from Raub, IN, when as a nursing student at South Bend Memorial Hospital, she came to visit the farm with Glenn’s sister, Mildred, a classmate. They married on March 28, 1942 and had five children: Michael, Gary (who died at birth), Patricia, Nancy and Kevin. The first few years of married life, they lived in Burr Oak, and then they brought a 40-acre farm on Redwood Road, and lived there until Glenn’s parents died, after which they moved into the Overmyer Homestead.

A farmer all of his life, he worked hard raising cattle for market, dairying, and farming several hundred acres to the present 500-plus acres he farmed the past few years. He planted mostly corn, soybeans, wheat, and once in a while a few acres of alfalfa. Just this past month Kevin helped him get on his tractor and he planted soybeans for half a day. Although he was tired, he smiled and said he had a great day. Watching the crops and cattle grow was a joy in and of itself for Glenn.

Over the years, he has given the service to his fellow citizens of Union Township, and Marshall County. Glenn was on the State Exchange Bank Board of Directors from 1954 to 1982, taking over the seat vacated by his father’s death. He served on the Marshall County 4-H Beef Committee for several years, which required purchasing steers for the 4-H Beef Members. He served as Union Township Trustee for six years, and then served as a member of the Culver Community High School Holding Board. For six years he was on the board of the Holy Cross Parkview Hospital, and as a County Commissioner, was instrumental in transferring ownership of the hospital from the county to private management.

During his five terms as Marshall County Commissioner from 1972 to 1992 he was involved in building a new county highway garage, the Marshall County Building, the annex to the Marshall County Courthouse, and the extension of Oakhill Avenue across a swamp to the St. Joseph Regional Medical Center. Later a portion of the Road from State Road 17 was named Glenn Overmyer Drive. After years of service for his fellow citizens of Marshall County he was nominated for the prestigious Sagamore of the Wabash, an honor only given by the Governor of the State of Indiana. He received that honor from the Governor Frank O’Bannon. Earlier that year, he was named Culver Lions Club “Citizen of the Year.” Glenn is a member of the Culver
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Wesley United Methodist Church, and has served on the Administration Board, and Board of Trustees.

He is survived by his wife, Lucile of 62 years; his son, Michael and wife Connie, and grandchildren, Sean, J.B. and wife Jean E., Heather, and Garth and wife Lisa; his daughter Patricia, husband Jim Watson, grandchildren Mathew and fiancé Liz McGrew, and Adam; daughter Nancy; son Kevin and wife, Melodie, grandchild Suzanne, and fiancé Dan Barth; and great granddaughters Alyssa, Brianna, and Hannah; extended family members Glen Schrimsher, Carolyn Saft.

A sister-in-law, Betty Overmyer of Plymouth and brother-in-law Charles Triplet of Culver also survive with numerous nieces and nephews.

Friends will be welcomed by the family to visit and share memories on Saturday June 5, 2004 from 4 to 8 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St. Plymouth, Ind

An I.O.O.F. Memorial service will be conducted at 8 p.m. Saturday in the funeral home, conducted by the Maxinkuckee I.O.O.F., of which he was a member.

Memorial services for Glenn will be at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday June 6, 2004 in the Culver Wesley United Methodist Church, 511 School St., Culver with the pastor, Rev. Linda Craig and Rev. Doug Jividen of the Plymouth Baptist Church officiating.

Burial will be in the Burr Oak Cemetery, Burr Oak, Indiana.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial gifts in Glenn’s memory may be made to the Glenn L. Overmyer (GLO) Scholarship Fund, to benefit a Culver Community High School student, c/o The Marshall County Community Foundation, 2701 N. Michigan St. Plymouth, Indiana 46563 or the Wesley United Methodist Church.

Wanda L. Overmyer, 73, of 306 N. Maple St., Argos, Ind., died at 6:21 p.m. on Saturday, December 4, 2004, in the St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth. Wanda died as a result of injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

Born in Benton, Ill., on February 2, 1931, Wanda was the daughter of Isadore Charles and Caroline Yasevich Brandibas. She attended High School in Gary, Ind., graduated from Thomas Commerical School in South Bend, Ind, from the secretarial program.

On May 20, 1951, in the Old Time Religion Tabernacle in Plymouth, Wanda and Lloyd Overmyer, Jr., an ordained minister, were married. Lloyd died on February 20, 1999.

She first worked for the Indiana Bell Telephone Company in the directory and ads department and was a long distance operator for ten years, resigning to become a housewife. Wanda loved her children and grandchildren very much; she enjoyed being a homemaker, and enjoyed cooking, baking and sewing.

Wanda had a lovely voice and sang in duets and trios. She sang solos with quartets and choirs since she was ten years old.

A devoted Christian, she was a Ladies Auxiliary leader for four years with the Old Time Religion Tabernacle and a Sunday school teacher for several years. She spent her entire life attending United Pentecostal churches because she believed ACTS 2: verses 38 and 39 and all Gods promises.
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Wanda is survived by two sons, a daughter and their families. They are: Timothy L. and Kimberly S. Overmyer, Argos, Ind., and their children, Jennifer and Emily; Philip A. and Lynn Overmyer, also of Argos and their children, Kathy and Ben and Valerie K. Leachman, South Bend and her children, Chase and Chandler.

Her parents, her husband, an infant daughter and four infant sons and a sister, Clara Jean Wuscina, preceded Wanda in death.

A celebration of Wanda’s life will be held in the House of Prayer United Pentecostal Church, 12450 Plymouth-Goshen Trail, Plymouth, on Tuesday, December 7, 2004, from 4 to 8 p.m. and calling one hour prior to services in the church on Wednesday.

Wednesday, December 8, 2004, services will be held in the church at 11 a.m. The Pastor R.D. Humphrey, pastor of the House of Prayer and the Rev. Kenneth Mendenhall, pastor of the Ironwood United Pentecostal Church, South Bend, will officiate, assisted by the Rev. Paul Cecrle, Rochester,

Burial will be in Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos, Ind.

Memorials in Wanda’s memory may be made to the United Pentecostal Church’s Mother’s Memorials.

Frank J. Paledino

Frank J. Paledino, 80, of 422 Webster Ave., Plymouth, a resident since 1977, coming from Danville, Ill., died of natural causes in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth, at 2:46 p.m. on Tuesday, October 12, 2004.

Born in Bedford, Ind., on January 11, 1924, Frank was the son of Frank S. and Teresa Russo Paledino. He attended Chicago’s Calumet Vocational High School and joined the United States Navy as a ship’s cook, serving overseas during W.W. II.

On June 17, 1950, Frank and Betty J. Johnson were married in Chicago.

A carpenter by trade, he worked for over 40 years for the Kroger Company, traveling between stores to repair refrigeration and electrical problems.

An outdoorsman, he enjoyed hunting and fishing.

Frank was a member of V.F.W. Post #1162, the Plymouth Moose Lodge and a former member of the Plymouth Eagles.

He is survived by Betty, his wife of over 54 years and by their daughter, son-in-law and grandchildren.

They are: Laura J. and Marshall Olsen of Plymouth; grandson, Matthew B. Olsen, now serving with the U.S. Air Force in Omaha Neb.; and Amy M. Olsen of Plymouth.

Numerous nieces and nephews survive as well.

Two sisters, Nancy Schroeder, Bedford, Ind., and Mary Hall, Arlington, Texas, together with a brother, James Paledino, Dalton, Ill., a step-sister, Rosie Crane, Bloomington, Ind., and a step-brother, James Moscato, Bedford, Ind., also survive.

Frank was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Joseph Paledino.
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There will be no visitation and no services.

Memorial gifts in Frank’s memory may be made to the St. Joseph Cancer Institute, 1915 Lake Ave. Plymouth, Indiana 46563.

Burial will be in the New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.


Bob was born on March 3, 1924 in Brockton, Massachusetts where he grew up as the first of two sons of Edward and Arlene (Johnson) Pendergast.

He served his country bravely during WWII where he earned a Purple Heart as a member of the Army’s 746th Tank Battalion, and participated in the second wave of the D-Day invasion on Utah Beach. Honorably discharged in December 1945, Bob went on to graduate from Bethany College as a history major / economics minor.

Bob first had a successful career in insurance with Liberty Mutual Insurance Company and later with Northwestern Mutual Insurance Company where he became responsible for the Midwest region. In April of 1970 after a short stint with the Chicago Auto Club, Bob purchased the Plymouth Dairy Queen which he built into the thriving business for which he became so well recognized. Bob also owned the Dairy Queen in Bourbon, Ind. from 1971 to 1976 as well as Pendy’s Stop-N-Go, a Plymouth convenience store he owned until his death. Bob sold the Plymouth Dairy Queen and retired in April of 1990.

On September 9, 1974 in the Culver Military Academy Chapel, Bob married Carol Lee (Amor Rosander). Surviving with Carol is their blended family of seven children: son David Pendergast of LaPorte, Ind., daughters Nancy (Bob) Rigney of Shelbyville, Ky., and Sharon Pendergast of Houston, Tex., and stepchildren Kathryn (Norm) Wineholt of LaPorte, Ind., Carl (Melanie) Rosander of Cassopolis, Mich., Lloyd (Sherry) Rosander of Grovertown, Ind., and Dawn (Jerry) Slein of Plymouth, Ind. Bob (Gramps) had eleven grandchildren and four great grandchildren. Also surviving is Bob’s younger brother Donald (Marge) Pendergast of Brockton, Mass., his Aunt Ruth and Uncle Pete Duffy and several nieces and nephews.

Preceding Bob in death were his parents, an infant brother, several close Aunts, and his niece Lynn Pendergast Bruce.

Bob served as President of the Indiana Dairy Queen Association from 1984-1990, and was ADI Chairman for International Dairy Queen for several years. A member of the Republican party, he took interest in all levels of government and was a member of several service organizations including Rotary, in which he was most active. Bob held a special regard for Ancilla College and was an active supporter of it’s programs.

He was a Plymouth Country Club member since 1957 and was a past board member. An avid golfer, Bob found tremendous delight in making a long putt on the 18th hole! As a cardplayer, he played a mean hand of ‘gin’ and enjoyed sports as well. A die-hard Cub fan, Bob enjoyed taking his kids and grandkids to Wrigley Field where he treated them like VIPs. He frequently attended area sporting events and was a supporter of athletics for Plymouth High School and Ancilla College. He was also a history buff and possessed a significant amount of books and videos pertaining to WWII. Bob and Carol enjoyed traveling and saw much of the world together. A generous and loving husband, father and grandfather, Bob was a member of the Plymouth First Presbyterian Church.
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Family and friends will gather at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St. Plymouth on Saturday, January 10, 2004 from 4 - 7 p.m. to celebrate Bob’s life. Funeral services will be held on Sunday, January 11th at 1:30 p.m. in the funeral home, the Rev. Steven Mullin, Pastor will officiate.

Burial will follow in the New Oakhill Cemetery, where military graveside honors will be accorded him by the members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Marshall County Post 1162.

Memorial gifts may be made to Ancilla College, c/o Institutional Advancement, P.O. Box 1, Donaldson, Indiana 46513

Elsie M. Perdew, 92, of 207 North Street, Wheeler, Indiana, passed away Tuesday, July 20, 2004, at 12:50 a.m. in Canterbury Place, Valparaiso, Indiana.

She was born on April 14, 1912, in Marshall County, to John and Mary (Crum) York. She married Ernest Perdew on June 30, 1934. He passed away on October 16, 1982. She also was preceded in death by her infant son John, and her daughter E. Sue, who died on June 15, 1995. Elsie also had five sisters and two brothers who preceded her in death.

Elsie was a member of the Trinity Lutheran Church of Hobart, Indiana. She worked for Myers Dress Shop, in Valparaiso, as a sales clerk, and retired from there.

She is survived by her sister, Lucy Lute of Valparaiso, and several nieces and nephews.

Services will be held Saturday, July 24, 2004 at 1:00 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, in Plymouth, with the Rev. Marc L. F. Freiberg, Sr. of the Trinity Lutheran Church, Hobart, officiating. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Visitation will be Saturday, July 24, 2004 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth, Indiana.

The family requests that memorial contributions be given to the choice of the donor.

Jacqueline S. Petersen, 65 of 501 Miner Street, Plymouth, Indiana, passed away Saturday, December 11, 2004 at Hospice House in South Bend.

She was born on February 27, 1939, in Chicago, Illinois to Louis and Mary (Bartucci) San Fillippo.

She is survived by her sister, Joanne Roberts of Plymouth.

There will be no services. Burial will be in New York.

Van Gilder Funeral Home is handling the arrangements.

Gladys Helen Pickerl, 87, of 402 W. Jackson St., Bourbon, Ind., died from natural causes at 4:26 a.m. Monday, March 15, 2004 at Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth, Ind.

Gladys had been a resident of Marshall County most of her life, living in the LaPaz, Argos and...
Barbara Post

Barbra Post, 89, a Plymouth resident from 1952 until her husband’s death in 1995, died following an extended illness at 10:30 p.m. on Saturday, October 30, 2004, in the Appling Convalescent Center, Baxley, Ga., where she had been a resident for 1 1/2 years.

Born in Amsterdam, Holland, on July 6, 1915, Barbra was the daughter of Wilhelmus and Anna Neeltje Texier Kaarls. She attended school in Holland until the sixth grade after which she went to work.

On March 23, 1938, in Amsterdam, Barbra and Frederick Post were married. Frederik died on September 20, 1995.

A homemaker, Barbra loved to walk and to dance --even in her later years. She attended and helped at the nutrition site at Garden Court West and looked forward to going there every day.

She was a longtime member of the Plymouth Wesleyan Methodist Church.

Barbra is survived by two daughters and their husbands. They are Wilhelmina and Edwin Lashley, Brunswick, Ga., and Anneka Maria and Kenneth Warner, New Carlisle, Indiana.

Seven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren also survive together with a sister, Annie Neeltje Kerkelaan, Amsterdam, Holland.

Barbra was preceded in death by her parents, her spouse, two sisters and three brothers.

Visitation will be held in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth,
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from 5 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, November 3, 2004.

Funeral services for Barbra will be held on Thursday, November 4, 2004, at 11 a.m. in the
funeral home. The Rev. Greg Bouck, assistant pastor of the Plymouth Wesleyan Church will
officiate.

Entombment will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Barbra’s memory may be made to the Life Enrichment Center of Marshall
County.

Sybilla E. Prince
Sybilla E. Prince, 72, of 11020 State Road 8, Culver, passed away Friday, December 17, 2004
in her daughter's home, in Culver.

She was born on August 22, 1932 in Chicago, Illinois. Sybilla and Joseph A. Prince were
married on June 18, 1955, in Chicago. They had been in the area for 34 years. Sybilla and
Joseph were the past owners of Oak Grove General Store. Joseph passed away on December
12, 1992.

Sybilla was a member of the Calvary Lutheran Church, Plymouth. When she was able she
attended the Ladies Guild at the church.

She is survived by her daughters, Ethel and Gary Altheide of Culver and Bridget and Ralph
Scutchfield of Plymouth; her son, Scott and Linda Prince of Culver; her sister, Janeanna Peelle
of Culver; her brothers, Lee Sportun of Chicago and Frank Haubold of Wonder Lake, Illinois.
Sybilla is also survived by her five grandchildren.

Services will be held Wednesday, December 22, 2004, at 10:30 a.m. at the Calvary Lutheran
Church in Plymouth. The Rev. Steven Resner will officiate the service. Burial will be in New
Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Visitation will be Tuesday, December 21, 2004 from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Van Gilder
Funeral Home, 300 west Madison Street, Plymouth, and one hour prior to the service at the
church.

Virgil W. Quivey
Virgil W. Quivey, 9102 Quince Road, Plymouth, died of natural causes in Pilgrim Manor
Nursing Home at 1:15 p.m. on Friday, April 23, 2004. He was 86 years old.

A lifetime Marshall County resident, Virgil was born the son of Clarence and Nellie Irwin Quivey
on March 23, 1918. He graduated from Culver High School with the class of 1936.

On December 1, 1940, in Plymouth, Virgil and Frances L. Dawson were married. Frances
survives his death.

A farmer and outdoorsman his entire life, he was also a bus driver for the Plymouth Community
Schools. A member of the Christian Fellowship Class of the First United Methodist Church, he
had also served on the church Board of Trustees.

In addition to his wife, Virgil is survived by a daughter and son-in-law, Joan and Robert
Matejka, living in North Carolina.

Two grandsons and their spouses also survive. They are: Jon and Chimene Speer, Plymouth,
and Jeff and Theresa Speer, South Bend; and three granddaughters: Julie Speer, South
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Carolina; Lisa Hallenbeck and Marcie Matejka, both in North Carolina.

Great-grandsons Wesley, Jacob, Andrew Speer, all of Plymouth, and a brother, Hugh Quivey, also of Plymouth, survive as well.

Virgil was preceded in death by his parents and two daughters: Karen Quivey and Janet Speer. Three brothers and a sister have also died. They are Albert, Ronald and Glen Quivey and Mary Alice Lannon.

Friends may visit with the family to celebrate Virgil’s life from 3 to 7 p.m. on Monday, April 26, 2004, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services will be held in the funeral home at 11 a.m., Tuesday, April 27, 2004. The Rev. Dr. Dean Fager, pastor of the First United Methodist Church, where Virgil was a member, will officiate.

Interment will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

The family requests that memorial gifts be made to the First United Methodist Church’s Music Fund, or the charity of the donor’s choice.

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Interment will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

The family requests that memorial gifts be made to the First United Methodist Church’s Music Fund, or the charity of the donor’s choice.

Hugh Ancil Quivey

Lifetime Marshall County resident, Hugh Ancil Quivey, 80, 6950 Michigan Road, died of natural causes in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth, at 8:51 p.m. on Friday, May 21, 2004.

Hugh was a dairy farmer all of his life. He was known statewide as one of the outstanding Holstein breeders.

Hugh was born on December 20, 1923, to Clarence and Nellie Irwin Quivey at the family farm in Green Township. He was the youngest of seven children. He graduated from Culver High School in 1941, and attended agricultural and dairy courses at Purdue University.

He met Eileen Mae Rogers in 1944, at the Rural Youth Club in Marshall County where he became the first president and she, the first secretary. The couple was married on June 15, 1946, in the Poplar Grove Church.

He was active in county, state and national Holstein organizations. He was a member and on the Board of Directors of the Marshall County Dairy Association and a charter member of the Marshiana Holstein club.

A Union-North School Board member for six years, he was president for two.

Hugh was an active member of the Trinity United Methodist Church for over 50 years, singing in the choir and serving as trustee. He was president of the board when the educational unit was built in 1959.

A 4-H leader for over 30 years and a member of the County 4-H Council, he raised sheep, quarter horses and Clydesdales horses as a hobby.

A sports enthusiast, Hugh enjoyed Purdue University athletics as well as the Chicago Cubs. He liked jigsaw puzzles, trees and wildlife.

Hugh is survived by Eileen, his wife of nearly 58 years and by their four children, two sons and two daughters.
His sons are Jan A. Quivey, Culver, and Dale D. Quivey, Merrillville, Ind. His daughters and their spouses are Diana L. and Tom Cook, Elkhart and Marilyn K. and Vincent Terew, Lizton, Ind.

Eight grandchildren also survive. They are: Jan’s children, Matthew and Jessica Quivey; Dale’s children, Brent, Marissa and Carson; Diana’s daughter, Candace and Marilyn’s sons, Michael and Christopher.

Several nieces and nephews survive as well.

Hugh was preceded in death by his parents and four brothers: Albert, Glen, Ronald and Virgil Quivey. A sister, Mary Alice Lannon has also died as had an infant sister, Rose Quivey.

A celebration of Hugh’s life and the sharing of memories will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, May 25, 2004, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth. Additional calling will be for one hour prior to services on Wednesday in the church.

Funeral services on Wednesday, May 26, 2004, will take place at 11 a.m. in the Trinity United Methodist Church, 425 S. Michigan St., Plymouth. The Rev. William Kaster, pastor of the church, will officiate.

Interment will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

The family requests that memorial gifts in Hugh’s memory be made to the church elevator fund at Trinity United Methodist Church.

Opal F. Kaufman Reed 88, of East 16th Road Argos (Argos Garden Court), died Monday, April 19, 2004, at 8:05 p.m. in Pilgrim Manor Nursing Home, Plymouth.

Born on April 3, 1916, in Marshall County, Indiana, she was the daughter of Harvey Orville and Callie Leona Fetters Kaufman. Opal graduated from LaPaz High School with the class of 1935.

In Plymouth, Indiana Opal married Herman C. Reed, who preceded her in death on July 30, 1999.

Opal worked for 30 years for United Technology, retiring in 1981, Opal had many hobbies and interest; she enjoyed her Christmas cactus and violets, crossword puzzles and enjoyed all types of music, she even sang in a quartet at her church. She was a loving wife, mother and grandmother, her loving nature led her to care for her ailing sister for several years in Florida.

Opal was very active in the Marshall County community, she was a member of the Argos United Methodist Church, Women of the Moose Lodge # 1355, Plymouth, American Legion Auxiliary 0068, Argos, Ladies Auxiliary VFW Chapter 1162, Plymouth.

She is survived by two sons and two daughters.

They are; daughters, Shirley (Don) Badtke, Niles, MI, Marilyn (David) Back, Walkerton, IN. Her sons are; Eldon C. (Gerry) Reed, Plymouth, IN., James (Joyce) Reed, Bremen, IN.

Eleven grandchildren and 24 great grandchildren and 6 great-great grandchildren, also survive along with a brother, Donald H. (Alpha) Kaufman, Florida.

Opal was preceded in death by her parents, husband, a son, DeVon P. Reed, two brothers,
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Lyle and Dale Kaufman, and two sisters, Irene Shivers, and Joyce Chizum.

Friends may call at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth on Thursday April 22, 2004 from 4 to 8 P.M. Women of the Moose #1355, Plymouth will hold a tribute service for Opal at 7:30 P.M. in the funeral home.

Funeral services will be held in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, on Friday April 23, 2004 at 11:00 A.M, with Pastor Tony Schneiders of the Walnut Church of the Brethren, Argos, officiating.

Burial will be held in the Fairmont Cemetery, Plymouth, Indiana.

Memorial contributions may be made to Marshall County Hospice, Plymouth, Indiana

Kathleen K. Reeder

Kathleen K. Reeder, 86, died in her home, 801 S. Michigan St., Plymouth, at 5:15 a.m. on Tuesday morning, March 2, 2004.

She was born on July 18, 1917, in Huntsville, Ala., the daughter of Edgar D. Sr., and Annie Woodward Kinnibrugh.

On March 28, 1936, in Luka, Miss., Kathleen and John B. Reeder, Sr., were married. John preceded her in death on May 19, 2001.

A homemaker, she was an excellent contract and duplicate bridge player and a charter member of the Plymouth Duplicate Bridge Club.

She was a loyal member of the First United Methodist Church, Plymouth.

Kathleen is survived by a daughter, Ann R. Powell, Indianapolis, Ind., and a son, John B. Reeder, Jr., Bryan, Texas.

Three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren, together with a sister, Billye K. Gayle, Birmingham, Ala., survive as well.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband and a brother, Edgar D. Kinnibrugh, Jr.

There will be no visitation.

Graveside services will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, March 13, 2004, in the Maple Hill Cemetery, Huntsville, Ala. The Rev. Byron White will officiate.

Interment will take place in the Maple Hill Cemetery, Huntsville, Ala.

The Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, is in charge of arrangements.

Memorial gifts in Kathleen's memory may be made to the Marshall County Cancer Association.

Lee W. Reid

Lee W. Reid, 83, 12915 St. Road 17, Culver, where he had lived since 1965, died from a short term illness at 10:30 a.m. in Miller's Merry Manor, Plymouth on Friday, May 21, 2004.

A lifetime Marshall County resident, Lee was born in Tyner, Ind., on January 8, 1921, the son of Arbie and Eva Sheaks Reid. He graduated from Tyner High School.
He was a veteran, serving with the United States Navy in World War II as an Electrician Mate.

On September 13, 1941, in Teegarden, he was married to Elaine I. Baughman. He then married Millie E. Colvin in Tyner on October 9, 1965.

Lee worked as a Union roofer and later, in sheet metal. He was a member of Local 20, South Bend and had been employed with Lawmaster Roofing. He retired in 1983 from Midland Engineering of South Bend.

He enjoyed fishing and mushroom hunting. He hunted for game and bowled with several leagues. He played a good game of cards and was a whiz at horse shoes.

He was a former member of the local Moose Lodge.

Lee is survived by his wife, Millie and by two sons and two daughters. His sons are Curtis and Sharon Reid of Cadillac, Mich., and Steven Reid of Culver, Ind.

His daughters are Donna and Rick Hartle, Plymouth and Jary and Mike Bailey, Bremen, Ind.

Two step sons, ten grandchildren, four step-grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren also survive.

Two sisters, Irma Schultz, Mishawaka and Mavis Shank, Tyner, together with numerous nieces and nephews, survive as well.

Lee was preceded in death by his parents, three brothers: Ora Reid, Earl Reid and Harry Reid and a step-daughter.

Visitation with the family to celebrate Lee’s life will be from 4 to 7 p.m. on Sunday, May 23, 2004 in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1110 N. Michigan St., Plymouth and one hour prior to funeral services on Monday.

The Monday services will be at 11 a.m. on May 24, 2004, in the funeral home. The V.F.W. will provide military graveside services.

Interment will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Lee’s memory may be made to the Marshall County Cancer Fund.

Robert William Relos

Robert William Relos, 46, 11066 Forest Drive, Plymouth, died on August 8, 2004, at his mother’s residence on McLiver St., following a long and courageous battle with cancer.

He will be very much missed. His family was his life and he loved and was loved by them all.

Born on September 20, 1957, in South Bend, Ind., Bob was the son of Robert D. Relos and Carol Noble. He graduated from John Glenn High School with the class of 1975 and from Franklin College with a Bachelor’s degree in 1979. He earned his Masters of Science in Education from Indiana University.

While in school he was on the Dean’s List and was a member of Kappa Delta Rho fraternity. A cross country runner, he ran in the Boston Marathon and coached the sport at Ancilla College.

He taught school for seven years at Oregon-Davis, four years at Bremen and 11 years at
LaVille. He was a much loved colleague of the teachers as well as being admired and respected by his students.

Bob loved running, loved his guitars and his Mustang car. He was a member of the Michiana Mustang Club and was their newsletter editor for many years. He won a Gold Award at the Mustang 40th anniversary show in Nashville, Tenn., with his pace car.

He is survived by his fiancee, Mary Warner of Granger, Ind., his mother, Carol Noble of Plymouth and his father, Robert D. Relos of North Liberty.

A sister and brother-in-law, Donna and Mike Noble and a niece, Elizabeth Noble of Koontz Lake, also survive.

He was preceded in death by Thomas Relos, a brother.

Friends are invited to visit with the family from 4 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, August 11, 2004, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services conducted by Tom Padberg, chaplain of the Marshall County Hospice, will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, August 12, 2004, in the funeral home.

Interment will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth, Ind.

Memorial gifts in Bob's memory may be made to the Marshall County Hospice or the American Cancer Society.

Aurora Resendez

Aurora Resendez, 85, of 837 North 7th Street, Plymouth, passed away Monday, June 28, 2004 at 9:00 a.m. at Miller's Merry Manor, Plymouth.

She was born on October 18, 1918 in San Antonio, Texas to Milton and Josefine (Perez) Jossa. She Married Paul Resendez on June 3, 1953, and they moved to Plymouth thirty years ago from Milford, Indiana.

Aurora is survived by four sons, Robert, Paul Jr., and James all of Plymouth, and Rudy of Kokomo, Indiana; four daughters, Jose Tervoine of Texas, Delores Murshland of Fort Wayne, Indiana, Mary Rose Houghton of Lapaz, and Rosemary Polviski of Auburn, Indiana. Also surviving are 25 grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Paul, and a son, Milton.

There will be no services or visitation. Cremation is taking place.

Van Gilder Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

B. Dean Rice

B. Dean Rice, 82, of Garfield St., Osceola, died at 2:55 pm Sunday, September 12, 2004, at the Hospice House of St. Joseph County, following a cancer related illness.

Born in Pulaski County on May 25, 1922, Dean was the son of Cecil Harold and Dora Bell Rex Rice, Sr. He attended schools in Anderson, Indiana.

Dean and Nadine O. Wallace were married on July 13, 1946, in Osceola.

An Insurance representative, Dean worked for the Western-Southern Life Insurance Company for almost ten years, then he worked for Commonwealth Insurance for many years, retiring in
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1985.

An avid hunter, he enjoyed hunting rabbits and squirrels when he was younger. He enjoyed spending time on the water fishing, and loved to watch parades. An avid story teller, Dean was always good for a laugh. He loved his family, and went to as many family reunions as possible.

Dean is survived by Nadine, his wife of 58 years, a daughter, Beverly (Roger) Wood of South Bend and a son, William David Rice of Ballwin, MO. Seven grandchildren also survive: Troy (Marie) Wood of Kenmore, N.Y., Todd (Julie) Wood of South Bend, Ty (Lori) Wood of Brownsburg, IN, Joseph Rice, Bethany Rice, Anthony Rice and Chris Rice all of Missouri, along with 9 great grandchildren, a sister, Marilyn Williamson of Vista, CA, a half brother, Daniel Turpin of San Diego, CA and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Cecil Rice, Jr.

Friends may visit with the family from 9:30 to 11:30 am on Thursday, September 16, 2004 at Johnson - Danielson Funeral Home. 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, IN.

Funeral services will be held in the funeral home following visitation at 11:30 am., with Chaplain Tom Padberg of the Marshall County Hospice, officiating.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth, IN.

Memorial contributions in Dean’s name may be made to Hospice of St. Joseph County.

Agnes Cecilia Richard

Seattle, Washington. Agnes Cecilia Richard, 89, passed away at 7:00 a.m. November 5, 2004, at Providence Mount Saint Vincent in West Seattle, WA. Agnes was born in Argos, IN, on May 14, 1915, to Lloyd D. Finney and Barbara C. (Leffert) Finney. She was an orphan at the age of eleven and was raised by her grandfather, John Leffert. On November 29, 1934, she married J. Arthur Richard in St. Michael's Church in Plymouth, IN, and lived and worked on their farm there. The family moved to Lafayette, IN, in 1956 and farmed there until their retirement in 1969. In retirement they lived in Florida and Tennessee and traveled extensively until Arthur’s death on July 23, 1985. Agnes continued to travel throughout the United States visiting family and friends while living in Naples, FL. Her last four years were spent in Seattle, WA, in the care of Providence Mt. St. Vincent assisted living center.

She is survived by seven children: one daughter, Barbara and husband Fran Sigman of Silverdale, WA; six sons, Roland and wife Marge of Dayton, IN; Glenn and wife Vicki of Charleston, IL; Arnold and wife Rosemary of Kokomo, IN; Roy and wife Kathy of Cincinnati, OH; Ralph and wife Sandi of Ft. Myers, FL; and Robert Richard of Peru, IN. There are 21 grandchildren: Mrs. Dean (Bonnie) Hufford, Brian Richard, Jerry Richard, Mrs. Roger (Nancy) Verhey, Steven Richard, Michael Richard, Mrs. Sean (Susan) Weiss, Rose Ann Sigman, Mrs. Ken (Julie) Dirks, John Sigman, Mrs. Brian (Donna) May, Mrs. Brad (Shiela) Barnett, Eric Richard, Paul Richard, Mrs. Keith (Amy) Sexton, Adam Richard, Mrs. Brad (Karin Richard) Conway, Kevin Richard, Jake Slayton, Taryn Richard, and Evan Richard. Agnes also has 20 great grandchildren. In addition to her husband, two sisters, Peggy Schmeltz-Duwelius and Bernice Duff-Meek-Priser, a brother, Francis Finney, and a half-brother, Ambrose Sissel, preceded her in death.

There will be a service Monday morning, November 8, 2004, in the chapel at Providence Mt. St. Vincent, 4831 35th Ave. SW, Seattle, WA. Visitation will be on Wednesday, November 10, 2004, from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, IN 46563. A rosary service will be held at around 7:45 p.m. at the funeral home. The funeral mass will be at 11:00 a.m. Thursday, November 11, at St. Michael Catholic Church, Plymouth,
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IN, followed by burial in the New Oak Hill cemetery in Plymouth. Van Gilder Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials be made to: Gateway Workshop Center, Division of Bona Vista Industries, 105 South Benton, Peru, IN 46970, or REM Group Homes, 1200 Kittyhawk Ave, Suite 201, Peru, IN 46970, Provident Mt. St. Vincent or the charity of your choice.

Amanda R. Robinson, 91, formerly of Philadelphia, Penn., living at Miller’s Merry Manor, 600 Oakhill Ave., Plymouth, Ind. since June of 2001, died of natural causes on Saturday, December 25, 2004, at 9 p.m.

Born in Richboro, Penn., on August 25, 1913, Amanda was the daughter of John F. and Louise Menold Shetzline. She graduated with the Richboro High School class of 1930 and furthered her education with a number of business courses.


While living in Pennsylvania, Amanda was a bookkeeper. She was also a newspaper carrier for many years at her retirement center, Gloria Dei Farms, in Hatboro, Penn., and was twice awarded the Senior Citizen Carrier of the year.

She loved crafts and kept her fingers busy: knitting, crocheting and sewing. She enjoyed sewing costumes for her daughter when she was a child and had served as a Girl Scout leader.

Amanda was very fond of cats, flower gardening and travel.

She attended the Grace Fellowship Church in Bremen, Ind., and while still living in Penn., was active as a library volunteer with the Addisville Reformed Church in Richboro.

Amanda is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Linda R. and Mark Aikins, Plymouth.

A grandson, Nathan W. Aikins and a granddaughter, Heather L. Aikins, both of Plymouth, survive as well.

Four sisters, all of Philadelphia, also survive. They are: Jenny Pfeil, Helen Okenquist, Mabel Dadura and Mary and Edwin Wardwell. Carmela Shetzline, a sister-in-law in Philadelphia, survives also together with numerous nieces and nephews.

Amanda was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, two brothers and two sisters. They were: John and David Shetzline and Louise Chubb and Rose Shetzline.

Friends will be welcomed to celebrate Amanda’s life with her family on Tuesday, December 28, 2004, from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, Ind.

Funeral services will follow visitation at 11 a.m. Pastor Jon Hueni, of the Grace Fellowship Church, Bremen, will officiate.

Services in Pennsylvania will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, December 31, 2004 in the Grant Funeral Home, 659 Street Rd., South Hampton, PA ph. 215-355-6050. Visitation will be one hour prior to services.
Burial will be in The White Memorial Park Cemetery, Feasterville, Penn.

Memorial gifts in Amanda’s memory will be used at the Family’s discretion.

Lucille Ross

Lucille Ross, 84, a lifetime area resident living at W. 1st Rd. Walkerton, Ind., died, following a short illness, in St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth, at 11:20 p.m. on Thursday, December 2, 2004. She was 84 years old.

Born in Marshall County on April 25, 1920, Lucille was the daughter of Jesse and Ruth Killian Burkholder. She was a 1938 graduate of Tyner High School.

On Christmas Eve, December 24, 1941, in her parent’s home on Union Rd. near Donaldson, Lucille and Wayne E. Ross were married. This year would have been their 63rd wedding anniversary.

A homemaker and mother, Lucille was an avid gardener and loved to can her home grown vegetables for her family. She enjoyed sewing and quilting and loved to read.

She was a member of the Plymouth Wesleyan Church.

Lucille is survived by her husband, three daughters and two sons.

Her daughters are: Marilyn Skiles, Cape Coral, Fla.; Judi and Steve Macy, Ft. Myers, Fla. and Myra and Mike Farmer, Sweetser, Ind.

Vern and Lynn Ross and Jack and Jana Ross, all of Plymouth, are her sons and their spouses.

Fourteen grandchildren, ten great-grandchildren and one brother, Willard Burkholder, of Tyner, Ind., survive as well.

Lucille was preceded in death by her parents, a grandson, Jonathan Ross and two sisters and a brother: Thelma Ecker, Eva Stull and Donald Burkholder.

Friends will be welcomed to visit with the family today, Sunday, December 5, 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Lucille will be held at 10:30 a.m., Monday, December 6, 2004, in the funeral home with the Rev. Scott Bills officiating.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorials in Lucille’s memory may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Charles (Leo) Roush

Charles (Leo) Roush, 82, of 600 Oak Hill Avenue, Plymouth, passed away Saturday, August 28, 2004 at 7:40 p.m. at Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth.

He was born on May 7, 1922 in North Liberty, Indiana to Charles and Harriet (Collester) Roush.

He married Mary Myers on November 19, 1948 in Plymouth. They have lived in Plymouth since the time of their marriage. Leo worked for the Plymouth Foundry for 40 years. He served his country, in the Army during WW II, on the Asiatic-Pacific Theater. He had been stationed in Pearl Harbor.
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He is survived by his wife Mary; their daughters, Dorothy and Bob Majires of Streamwood, Illinois and Diana and Van Price of Plymouth; their sons, David Roush of Plymouth, Steve and Laurel Roush of Culver, and Michael and Theresa Roush of Plymouth; his sister, Margaret Maugus of LaPorte; 11 grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren.

Services will be held Wednesday, September 1, 2004 at 10:30 a.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home in Plymouth, with The Rev. Rustin Krapfl officiating. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Visitation will be Tuesday, August 31, 2004 from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth.

The family requests that memorial contributions be given to the American Diabetes Association, 7363 East 21st Street, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Virginia (France) Rowe

Virginia “Ginny” (France) Rowe, 71, of 222 Parkview St., Plymouth, an area resident all of her life, died following an illness, at 2:20 p.m. on Christmas Eve, December 24, 2004, in the Pilgrim Manor Nursing Center, Plymouth.

Born in Culver, Indiana, on April 7, 1933, Virginia was the daughter of Christopher S. and Mae S. Kershner Lolmaugh. She attended Culver schools.

She was married to Eugene M. France, Sr. in Plymouth on October 20, 1951. Eugene died on July 8, 1987. On June 12, 1993, she married Richard H. Rowe.

A homemaker, she enjoyed baby sitting for other people.

She liked to embroider, work on search and find puzzles, read and play board games.

Ginny was a member of the North Liberty Church of Christ, and she attended the Plymouth Missionary Church.

Richard, her husband, survives her death together with two daughters and a son. They are: Georgie Bell and Terry Ferrill, Mesick, Michigan; Liz and Joe Snyder, Plymouth, Indiana, and Ford W. and Joann France, Erlanger, Kentucky.

Ten grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren survive as well, together with six brothers and two sisters. From South Bend, Indiana, her brothers are: Leo and Phyllis Lolmaugh, Jim and Nona Lolmaugh; John and Barb Lolmaugh, Jack, Don and Larry Lolmaugh. Her sisters are Evelyn and Tom Higgins, South Bend, Indiana and Clara and Julian De Baylo, Texas.

Ginny was preceded in death by her parents, her first husband, Eugene M. France, Sr., and a son, Eugene France, Jr.

Visitation with the family will be held from 11 to 1 p.m. on Tuesday, December 28, 2004, in the New Oakhill Cemetery Chapel.

Funeral services conducted by Pastor Tim Stewart of the North Liberty Church of Christ, will be held in the chapel at 1 p.m. following visitation.

Burial will be in Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth, Indiana.

The Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, is in charge of arrangements.
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Dorothy M. Rulapaugh

Dorothy M. Rulapaugh, 72, a resident of Plymouth since 1959, coming here from Farmington Hills, Mich., died of natural causes at her residence, 217 Pennsylvania Ave., Plymouth, at 7:38 a.m. on Sunday, February 15, 2004.

She was born in Farmington Hills, Mich., on January 8, 1932, the daughter of Bert and Ethel Epling Clark. She graduated from Farmington Hills High School.


Dorthy worked at United Technologies for 28 years. Most recently she had been an important worker in the delicatessen section at Martin’s Supermarket in Plymouth.

Martin’s employees celebrated her birthday last month with a surprise party.

She liked to do embroidery work and enjoyed feeding the squirrels. An accomplished flower gardener, Dorthy especially loved being with her family and friends.

Dorthy is survived by a son, Herbert H. “Rusty” Rulapaugh, Jr., Plymouth, Ind., and a daughter, Lavon D. Rulapaugh, Rochester, Ind.

A grandson, Seth Richard Rulapaugh, Raleigh, N.C., and four sisters and five brothers, also survive.


Dorthy was preceded in death by her parents, her husband and E.V. Clark, a brother.

Visitation in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, Ind., will be from 4 to 7 p.m. on Friday, February 20, 2004.

Funeral services for Dorthy will be in the funeral home on Saturday afternoon, February 21, 2004, at 2 p.m.

Interment will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth, Ind.

Memorial gifts in remembrance of Dorthy may be made to the Marshall County Hospice.

Tommie E. Samuels

Tommie E. Samuels, a lifetime area resident, living at 20759 W. 11A Road, Plymouth, died, following an illness, in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth, at 9:29 a.m. on Tuesday, January 6, 2004. Tommie was 68 years old.

He was born in Plymouth, the son of Evert “Jack” and Goldia Gross Samuels, on October 8, 1935. He attended West High School and later received his G.E.D.

Tommie served in the United States Army from 1958 to 1960.

A farmer and a truck driver, he loved to farm. He hunted when he was younger and was an avid
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A member of the Knox American Legion Post 131, he also was a member of the Men’s Auxiliary of the Plymouth V.F.W.

Tommie is survived by his fiancee, Margaret Dehne, Plymouth, and by his children: four sons and two daughters.

His sons are: Tim and Cheryl Samuels, Lawton, Okla.; Rick and Becky Samuels, Bourbon, Ind.; Kent and Peggy Samuels, Va.; and Harold and Carrie Samuels of Bremen, Ind.

Tommie’s daughters are Tena Guard, Nappanee, Ind.; and Shelby and Rick Purdey, Argos, Ind.

Thirteen grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren also survive together with five sisters. They are: Dollie and Richard Ketcham, Ethel F. Johnson, Cleo M. and Glen Berger, Ruby and Jim Whiteman and Velma and Charlie Ottow, all from Plymouth.

Tommie was preceded in death by his parents and four brothers: Ernest, Albert J., Ira and John Samuels. Four sisters, Ruth L. Murray, Wanda Samuels, Lula Patterson and Stella Hagle have also died.

Friends may visit with Tommie’s family from 3 to 7 p.m. on Friday, January 9, 2004, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, January 10, 2004, at 10 a.m. in the funeral home.

The Revs. Joe Rodgers and Ed Hasnerl, pastors of the Eagle Creek Church, will officiate.

Interment will be in Gross Cemetery, Plymouth, where Military graveside honors will be provided by Knox American Legion Post 131.

Memorial gifts in Tommie’s memory may be made to a charity of the donor’s choice.

Ethel B. Sanders

Former Marshall County resident Ethel B. Sanders, 85, died Sunday, June 27, 2004, at Greenwood Village South, Greenwood, Indiana.

Ethel was born the daughter of Chester W. and Flossie Davenport Sanders on October 9, 1918 in Marshall County.

She had worked at the State Exchange Bank in Culver for many years.

Ethel is survived by two sisters: Lucile V. Sanders and Florence E. Sanders, both of Greenwood.

Friends will be welcomed by Ethel’s family from 10:00 a.m. till noon on Friday, July 2, 2004, at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, Ind.

Funeral services, officiated by the Rev. Paul McBride, will be held at noon Friday, in the funeral home.

Interment will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.
Hope Krystyne “Sissy” Sanders, 13, went home into the arms of her Savior at 4:31 p.m. on Thursday, May 27, 2004. Surrounded by her loving family and their continued care, Sissy died due to complications of cerebral palsy, a condition she has had since her birth. She has resided at 7990 Jarrah Road, Plymouth her entire life.

Born in Mishawaka on September 7, 1990, Sissy was the daughter of Russell Lee “Rusty” and Sonia L. “Renea” Weldy Sanders.

She attended Lincoln Junior High School.

Sissy liked Sponge Bob TV shows and country music. She enjoyed being pushed in her wheelchair and she always had a smile for everyone. She took great joy in being with her family, especially her beloved Grandpa Weldy and her Grandma Sanders.

She was a member of the House of the Lord, Plymouth.

Sissy, always loved and always remembered, is survived by her mother and father and two brothers: Rusty Jr., 9th grade and Josh Sanders, a 3rd grader.

Her maternal grandfather, Clifford D. Weldy, Nappanee, and paternal grandmother, Bertha M. Sanders, Hillsburg, Ind., together with several loving aunts, uncles, cousins and friends also survive.

She was preceded in death by Frances O. Weldy, her maternal grandmother and Ray W. Sanders, her paternal grandfather. Charity M. Weldy, an aunt and cousins Brent and Zachary Thompson have also died.

The family will welcome visitors on Monday, May 31, 2004, from 4 to 7 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Sissy will be at 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, June 1, 2004, in the funeral home. The Rev. Steven Patrick, pastor, and Rev. Ted Dilts, assistant pastor of the House of the Lord, will officiate.

Interment will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Donations to the family in lieu of flowers will be gratefully appreciated.

Lucile V. Sanders, 89 died Sunday, October 3, 2004 at St. Francis Hospital, Beech Grove, Indiana. She was a resident of Greenwood, Indiana

She was born July 30, 1915 in Marshall County. Her parents were Chester and Flossie (Davenport) Sanders. She attended area schools and graduated from Manchester College.

She was employed for 26 years by the South Bend Community School Corporation, as a schoolteacher, having retired in 1975.

Lucile was a member of Grace United Methodist Church, South Bend; she attended Southport Presbyterian Church, Johnson County. She was a member of the Retired Teachers Association, and the Indiana Retired Teachers Association.

Funeral services for Lucile will be held at 11:00 A.M. Thursday October 7, 2004 with the Rev. Paul McBride officiating in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, Indiana.
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Helen I. Sauer

Helen I. Sauer, 81, died at 10:07 a.m., Tuesday, January 13, 2004, at the Pulaski Health Care Center, Winamac, Ind. She had been a resident of Winamac for the last three years.

The daughter of Russell and Hazel Parks Marsh, Helen was born on August 30, 1922, in Warsaw, Ind. She spent most of her life in the Warsaw and Plymouth areas.

Helen graduated from Atwood High School. On June 24, 1950, Helen and Leonard Sauer were married in Bremen, Ind. Leonard preceded her in death on January 1, 1998.

A homemaker, Helen enjoyed raising her family, and cooking for her children and grandchildren.

She is survived by a daughter: Sharon and Ben Schoff of Plymouth, and two sons: William and Bonnie Sauer of Winamac and Jerry and Nancy Marsh of Warsaw.

Thirteen grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren also survive, along with two sisters: Mary Hammersly of Kokomo and Virginia and Douglas Baker of Warsaw, and a brother: James and Jeanette Marsh of Warsaw.

Friends may visit with the family from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Saturday, January 17, 2004, at the Johnson - Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, Ind.

Funeral services conducted by the Rev. Roger Dickson, will be held in the funeral home immediately following visitation at 12:00 p.m. on Saturday.

Burial will be in Chapel Hill Cemetery, Osceola, Ind.

Memorial gifts may be made to a charity of the Donor's choice.

Patricia A. Scarberry

Patricia A. "Pat" Scarberry, 72, died, following a prolonged illness, at her home, 233 E. Lake Ave., Plymouth, at 12:20 a.m. on Sunday, August 8, 2004. Pat had lived in Plymouth for 49 years, moving here in 1955, from Ashland, Ohio.

The daughter of Carl and Catherine Morgan Chambers, Pat was born in Urbana, Ohio, on December 10, 1931. she attended Urbana schools.


Pat was the founder and operator of the Plymouth Telephone Answering Service. She then worked for the Plymouth Pilot News, the Little Red Shoe House and then retired as a sales associate from J.C. Penny.

She enjoyed crocheting, also reading and writing short stories and poetry. She liked to sing, travel and visit her family.

A member of the First United Church of Christ since 1959, Pat was a Sunday School teacher, a Cub Scout Den mother and an officer in the Webster School P.T.A.

She is survived by three daughters and four sons.

Her twin daughters and their husbands are, Di-Ann and Glen Houin and Dee-Ann and Mike
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Schroeder; and daughter, Amy and Lawrence Harner, all of Plymouth.

Her sons and spouses are Daniel and Sandy Scarberry, Henderson, Nevada; Geoff and Cheryl Scarberry and Rob Scarberry, all of Plymouth and Tim and Michelle Scarberry, Fort Wayne, Ind.

A son-in-law, John P. Massey, Evansville, Ind., also survives.

Thirteen grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, a brother and sister-in-law, Larry and Linda Chambers, Urbana, Ohio, and a sister-in-law, Janet Chambers, Bellefontaine, Ohio, survive as well.

Pat was preceded in death by her parents and her spouse. A daughter, Susan Carol Massey has also died as has a grandchild, Zachary Houin and a brother, Carl Chambers.

Friends are invited to visit with the family from 4 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, August 10, 2004, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth and one hour prior to services in the church.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, August 11, 2004, in the First United Church of Christ, 321 N. Center St., Plymouth. The Rev. John Gantt pastor of the church, will officiate.

Interment will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorials may be directed to the Marshall County Hospice, to the First United Church of Christ or to the Diabetes Association.

Robert L. Scarborough

Robert L. “Bob” Scarborough, 69, 14568 Lincoln Highway, Plymouth, died suddenly of natural causes at 7:05 a.m. on Thursday, February 5, 2004, in St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth. Bob was formerly from Grovertown, Ind., but has lived in Plymouth for the past 35 years.

Bob was born the son of David W. and Florence E. Tinkey Scarborough on May 19, 1934, in North Liberty, Ind. He graduated from Knox High School with the class of 1952.

From 1953 to 1956, during the Korean War, he served in the U.S. Army.

On June 22, 1961, in the Swedish Lutheran Church of Donaldson, he and Juanita “Nita” D. Peregrine were married.

Bob worked at A.M. General Corporation for 30 years retiring in 1998 as a supervisor. He was a member of the United Auto Workers.

A wonderful, attentive husband, father and grandfather, Bob lived for his family, yet never forgetting the importance of his Savior, Jesus Christ. A member of the Plymouth Baptist Church, he served on the Buildings and Grounds and Fellowship committees.

He loved to garden and could grow anything. He enjoyed fishing and woodworking, but his absolute favorite thing was to be with his beloved grandchildren. A great cook, his specialty was “Grandpa’s chicken”.

Bob is survived by Nita, his wife of 43 years and by their three children and four grandchildren: Jeff F. (Cathy) Scarborough, South Bend; Robert D. (Debra) Scarborough and children Dara and Dylan of Kewanna; and Darlene J. (David) Harrell and children Shelby and Noah of Plymouth.
Five sisters also survive: Bonnie and Lowell Grossman, Argos; Delores and Jim Freet, Grovertown; Jean and Rich Winkler, Grovertown; Carol and Tom Soltis, Orland Park, Ill.; Linda and Lewie Bachart, North Judson.

Two brothers, both of Grovertown, survive as well. They are: Larry and Lu Scarborough and Terry and Dawn Scarborough.

Bob was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers: David Scarborough and infant Richard Scarborough.

Friends are invited to share memories with Bob’s family on Sunday, February 8, 2004, from 2 to 6 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, and for one hour prior to services on Monday in the church.

Funeral services for Bob will be at 11 a.m. on Monday, February 9, 2004, in the Plymouth Baptist Church, 11345 9A Road. The Rev. Doug Jividen, pastor of the church, will officiate.

Interment will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth, with military honors provided by the Plymouth VFW.

Memorial gifts in Bob’s memory may be made to the Church Building Fund.

John D. Schlosser Johnson & Danielson Funeral Home

Lifetime Plymouth resident, John D. Schlosser died at his residence, 2000 Felix Place, on Saturday, March 27, 2004.

John was born the son of William A. and Anna F. Stuprich Schlosser on September 27, 1951, in South Bend, Indiana.

A 1970 graduate of Plymouth High School, John continued his education at Purdue University, graduating in 1974, then he went on to Valparaiso University School Of Law, graduating in 1985.

On July 19, 1975, John and Jana L. Pritz were married in Lafayette, Indiana.

As an Attorney, he enjoyed working with people, and helping them with his expertise. John loved cars, golf, and anything to do with Purdue.

John’s family and friends were important to him, and he enjoyed spending time with them.

Active in many organizations, John was a member of the Trinity United Methodist Church, the Marshall County Bar Association, the Purdue Alumni association, the John Purdue Club, the Plymouth Country Club, and the Valparaiso University Alumni Association.

John is survived by Jana, his wife of 28 years, a daughter, Trinna J. Schlosser, a son, J. David Schlosser, both of Plymouth, a sister, Elizabeth “Betsy” and Jack Thomas of Yuma, Arizona, and two brothers, Sam and Karen Schlosser and Bill and Ann Schlosser, both of Plymouth. Several nieces also survive.

John’s parents preceded him in death.

Visitation with the family to celebrate John’s life will be from 4 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, March 31, 2004, at Johnson - Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, and at the Trinity United Methodist Church on Thursday, April 1, 2004 for one hour prior to the 11:00 a.m.
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Memorial Service. Rev. William Kaster, pastor of the church, will officiate.

Internment will be in Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Preferred memorials may be made to the Trinity United Methodist Church Memorial Fund.

Roger W. Schroeder

Roger W. Schroeder, after a long illness due to cancer, died at his home, 10649 US 6, Bremen, at 4:33 a.m. on Tuesday, May 25, 2004.

He was born in Plymouth, Ind., on December 8, 1949. He was the son of Earl W. and Diana D. Holland Schroeder. He graduated from LaVille High School with the class of 1968.

Roger served in the United States Air Force and was stationed in Holland and in Germany.

He worked for Blounts Auto Salvage and was disabled in 2002.

An auto mechanic, he enjoyed auto racing.

He was a member of the American Legion Post #385 of LaPaz, Ind.

Roger is survived by a son, Mike Swathwood and by two brothers: Rex Schroeder, Bremen, and Mike and Dee Ann Schroeder, Plymouth, Ind.

Several nieces and nephews survive as well.

Roger was preceded in death by his parents.

Friends will be welcomed by his family at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, on Thursday, May 27, 2004, from 4 to 7 p.m.

Funeral services for Roger will follow visitation at 7 p.m. in the funeral home. The Rev. John Gantt, pastor of the Plymouth Church of Christ, will officiate.

Military graveside honors by the LaPaz American Legion Post will be accorded to Roger in the Fairmont Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Roger’s memory may be made to the Marshall County Hospice.

Almeda Bernice Sherwood

Almeda Bernice Sherwood, 89, a former resident of Bremen, Wakarusa, South Bend and Plymouth from 1945 to 1996, moving to Clarksville, Ind., in 1996, died on Friday, July 2, 2004, in the Wedgewood Health Care Center, Clarksville, Ind.

Born in Bremen, Ind., on January 29, 1915, Almeda was the daughter of Dorsey Dee and C. Estella Mae Hodges Whiteman. She graduated from Wakarusa High School.

On June 28, 1941, in Goshen, she and Ellsworth Leroy “Roy” Sherwood were married. Roy died on May 21, 1999.

Almeda had worked at the Oaks Restaurant. She was a homemaker as well as a waitress. She loved flowers and had a bountiful garden, full of all kinds of blooms. She collected antique glass and enjoyed reading and working puzzles.

She was very involved in her religion and was an active and devoted member of Jehovahs’...
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Almeda is survived by a son, Phillip M. Sherwood, Clarksville, Ind., and by a daughter and her husband, Barbara Ann and Jay Bucy, Prospect, Ky.

A grandson, Daniel Lee Cooley, Clearwater, Fla., and a granddaughter, Kimberly Ann Cooley Carrico, New Albany, Ind., survive as well, together with four great-grandchildren. They are: Brooke Danielle Cooley and Bryce James Cooley of Clearwater, Fla., and Landon Phillip Carrico and Carson Todd Carrico of New Albany, Ind.

A sister, Fae E. Usery of Elkhart, also survives.

Almeda was preceded in death by her parents, her husband and five brothers. They are: Everett, Julian, Robert, Ernest and Merel Whiteman. Two sisters, Alice Shumaker and Elizabeth Ritenour have also died.

Friends may visit with the family on Tuesday, July 6, 2004, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Almeda will be in the funeral home on Tuesday, July 6, 2004, at 12:00 p.m.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice.

Evelyn E. Simmers
VanGilder Funeral Home
Evelyn E. Simmers, 89, of 309 Kingston Drive, Plymouth, Indiana, passed away Tuesday, August 3, 2004 at 4:00 a.m. in Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

She was born on September 18, 1914 in East Chicago, Indiana, to Henry and Emma (Ryan) Babe.

Evelyn and Charles J. Simmers were married on November 10, 1935 in East Chicago, Indiana. They moved to Plymouth in 1948.

Evelyn was a member of the First United Methodist Church, the Wilderness Club, and the Mother of Twins Club. She had also been a 4-H leader.

She is survived by her daughters, Alice and Dave Thomas of Plymouth, and Mary and Gene Yates also of Plymouth; ten grandchildren; and thirteen great-grandchildren. Evelyn was preceded in death by her daughter, Gail Sellers.

Services will be held Saturday, August 7, 2004 at 10:30 a.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home in Plymouth, with the Rev. Dr. E. Dean Fager officiating. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Visitation will be Friday, August 6, 2004 from 4:00 p.m to 7:00 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth.

The family requests that memorial contributions be given to the Red Cross Food Pantry.

Chelse B. Slemp
Johnson & Danielson Funeral Home
Chelse B. Slemp, 75, died in Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth at 6:05 a.m. on Friday, August 20, 2004, following complications from a series of strokes. Formerly of South Bend, he had been a longtime resident of 20655 W. 9th Road, Plymouth.
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Born on August 14, 1929 in Jonesville, Virginia; he was the son Echol J. and Ora Mae Crumley Slemp. He attended Jonesville schools and then served his country during the Korean War as an Engineman Third Class in the United States Navy. His detail would come to be known as the ‘Orphans of the Pacific’.

He married the former Mildred G. Anderson on May 12, 1956 in Roseland, Indiana and would be blessed with three daughters, a son, nine grandchildren and a great grandson. They are: Susie and Doug Cook and their children; Samantha, Brian, Matthew and great grandson Logan all of Plymouth; Steven J. and Debbie Slemp and their daughters Stephanie and Hilary of Plymouth; Sandy and Carl Fitz and children Erik and Ty Zahm of Mishawaka; Shelia M. and Michael Smith and their children Darren and Ali of Plymouth.

A sister Ann Williams of South Bend also survives. He was preceded in death by his parents and an aunt Ruby Crumley.

Chelse’s lifelong career was in construction, particularly in heavy equipment and tunneling projects for various firms throughout the area. He retired in 1991 from the Midwest Operators Union, Local No.150. During that time he built three family homes and assisted in numerous other tasks. Following retirement it was rewarding to see how much he was able to enjoy family events, grandchildren’s activities, travel, winters in Florida, time with friends, bowling, golf and hunting small game. He became quite involved with genealogy as he searched his family history.

His memberships included the Immanuel Lutheran Church, American Legion Post 27, Plymouth Kilwinning Masonic Lodge and the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, Valley of South Bend. He was a former South Bend volunteer fire fighter, a former member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Marshall Co. Post 1162 and Plymouth Moose Lodge 741.

Friends are invited to join the family on Monday, August 23, 2004 from 2 – 4 and 6 – 8 p.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St. Plymouth.

Services will be held on Tuesday, August 24, 2004 at 11 a.m. in the Immanuel Lutheran Church located at 6835 Union Road north of Donaldson, with visitation one hour prior to services. Burial will follow in the Immanuel Lutheran Church Cemetery.

Memorial gifts in his memory may be made to the Church.

Lola F. Smith

Lola F. Smith, 95, died of natural causes at 1:15 p.m. on Monday, March 22, 2004, in the Plymouth Nursing and Rehab Center.

Born the daughter of Charles M. and Lovisa Maria Harris Munn on February 12, 1909 in Fulton County, Lola attended schools in Fulton County and Culver. She lived in the Rochester, Argos and Plymouth areas all of her life.

On June 15, 1930, at her parent’s home in Fulton County, Ind., Lola and Gordon A. “Gordy” Smith were married in a double ceremony with her sister Ethel and Gilbert Simons, by the Rev. Ralph Handchew. Gordy preceded her in death on November 12, 2001.

A homemaker, Lola helped her husband on the farm and enjoyed being a mother to their two daughters.

Lola loved to travel, and had been to Jamaica, and the Holy Land with the Mt. Pleasant Church of the Brethren Mission. She was very active in the Mt. Pleasant Church of the Brethren, where
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she was a deacon for six years, a member of the Yellowstone Club, and the church’s women’s fellowship. Lola was a former member of the Rebekkah Lodge, and Gideon Bible Society. She also enjoyed flower gardening, and grew many award winning flowers.

She is survived by her daughters: Doris L. Davidson, Plymouth, Ind. and Norma Jean and her husband Dwight Carlisle, Fresno, Calif.

Eight grandchildren, seventeen great-grandchildren, and five great-great grandchildren also survive.

Lola was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, three sisters: Clara Keesey, Ethel Simons and Georgia Rush, and a son-in-law: Don Davidson.

Visitation will be on Friday, March 26, 2004, from 3 to 7 p.m. in the Johnson - Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral Services will be in the funeral home at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 27, 2004.

The Rev. Alice Archer, pastor of the Mt. Pleasant Church of the Brethren and the Rev. Dean Kagarise, former pastor, will officiate.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth, Ind.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, Marshall County Unit.

Anna F. Snyder, 88, died of natural causes, on Sunday, February 15, 2004, in Miller’s Merry Manor, 600 W. Oakhill Ave., Plymouth, Ind. She had formerly lived in the LaPaz area.

Anna was born in Elkhart, Ind., on July 2, 1915. She was the daughter of Lewis and Carrie Myrtle Lechlitner Wise. She went to school in Madison Township schools.

A homemaker, Anna was married in Elkhart, Ind., to D. Paul Snyder on June 8, 1940, moving to LaPaz that year. Paul died on June 25, 1985.

She enjoyed cross-stitch and embroidery and was a member of the Oak Grove Missionary Church, Wakarusa, Ind., and attended the Nappanee Missionary Church, Nappanee, Ind.

Anna is survived by two sons and four daughters. Her sons and their wives are: Lewis and Charlene Snyder of Valleyford, Washington, and Tom and Esther Snyder of Lakeville, Ind.

Her daughters and their spouses are: Fern and Ralph Costello of Plymouth, Ind.; Mary and Steve McBride of Bourbon, Myrtle and Jim Smith of Lakeville and Sue and Bruce Berkey of Nappanee.

Fourteen grandchildren, Twenty great-grandchildren, one great-great grandchild, seven step-grandchildren, thirteen step-great-grandchildren.

A sister, Joy Badke, Elkhart, Ind., and a brother, Lloyd Wise of Nappanee, also survive Anna’s death.

Anna was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, a grandchild; Christopher Berkey, daughter in law; Carolyn Snyder, a sister; Mary Wise and a brother, Norris Wise.

Visitation will be in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth,
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Funeral services for Anna will be on Thursday, February 19, 2004, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home at 11 a.m. The Rev. Norm Reimer, Nappanee Missionary Church and the Rev. David Gould, Country Church of Bourbon, will officiate.

Memorial gifts in Anna’s memory may be made to the Union North Ambulance Service.

Ruth E. South

Ruth E. South, 81, 805 Baker Street, Lot 104, Plymouth, Indiana, passed away Wednesday, December 1, 2004 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, South Bend, Indiana.

She was born on September 20, 1923 in Fulton County to Vernard and Ruby (Salts) Goodman.

Ruth was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, Ladies Auxiliary of the VFW, where she was a past president, Women of the Moose #1355, Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center Auxiliary, and the Presbyterian Women. Ruth worked at Hart Schaffner & Marx, in Rochester, as a garment finisher. She married Harold South on October 22, 1966.

Ruth is survived by her husband, Harold of Plymouth; her son, Larry and Helen Beedy of Plymouth and her daughter, Robyn and Dan Denaut of Plymouth; her brothers, Richard and Betty Goodman and Robert and Jean Goodman of Rochester; her sister, Jeannie Watson of Plymouth; her grandchildren, Julie and Kevin White and their children, Joshua, Kyle, and Amber of Plymouth, Shana and Doug Conway and their children, Caleb, Ashlynn, Lauren, and Mack, of Goshen, and Brooke and Brian Drobitsch and their daughter, Riley of Plymouth.

Services will be held Saturday, December 4, 2004 at 10:30 a.m. at Van Gilder Funeral Home in Plymouth, with the Rev. Steve Mullin officiating. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery.

Visitation will be Friday, December 3, 2004 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth, Indiana.

The family requests that memorial contributions be given to the First Presbyterian Church or to Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center Auxiliary.

Josephine E. Spiewak

Josephine E. “Jo” Spiewak, 86, died of natural causes at her residence 15649 14th Road, Plymouth, at 12:50 p.m. on Tuesday, January 27, 2004.

A homemaker and mother to her children and grandchildren, she was much loved and will be greatly missed.

Jo was born in Lublin, Wis., on February 2, 1917. She was the daughter of Michael and Veronica Swistak Kozikowski. She attended Blueberry School in Lublin.

She loved to cook, play pinochle and enjoyed crocheting and doing different crafts that she gave as gifts to her family and friends.

Jo is survived by five sons and their spouses. They are: Robert and Carol Spiewak; Raymond and Arlene Spiewak; and Dennis and Judy Spiewak, all of Plymouth. Also Thomas and Cathy Spiewak, Culver; and Lawrence and Nancy Spiewak, Monterey, Ind.
Fourteen grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren also survive together with a sister and three brothers. Her sister is Nellie Kozikowski, Thorp, Wis., and her brothers are: Frank Kozikowski, Chicago, Ill.; and Alex Kozikowski and Edward Kozikowski, both of Thorp, Wis.

Jo was preceded in death by her parents, a grandson, Rob Spiewak, a sister and five brothers.

Friends may call to celebrate Jo’s life on Thursday, January 29, 2004, from 4 to 7 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth. A Wake Service in the funeral home will be held at 5 p.m.

Funeral services for Jo will be at 10 a.m. on Friday, January 30, 2004, in St. Mary’s of the Lake Roman Catholic Church, Culver, where she was a devoted member. The Rev. Father Glenn Kohrman, pastor of St. Mary’s will officiate.

Interment will be in Burr Oak Cemetery, Burr Oak, Ind.

Memorial gifts may be made in Jo’s memory to the Marshall County Hospice.

Jessica Lynn Spiewak, 24, of 19838 14B Road, Culver, went to be with her Lord and Savior on Wednesday morning, December 22, 2004.

Known and loved as a caring person, she would go out of her way for anyone and always showed concern for others. Her family ties were of the utmost importance to her.

She was a Culver resident for nearly the past 8 years, having come from Chicago.

Born in Chicago on December 6, 1980, Jessica was the daughter of Thomas H. and Cathy A. Hagen Spiewak. She was baptized into the German Lutheran faith.

She graduated from Culver High School in the class of 1998, attended Ancilla College where she recently completed her course work as a licensed real estate salesperson.

She loved animals, large and small… her paint horse, 007; her many cats and dogs with her favorite being Ozzy. She liked to travel and recently enjoyed a trip to Florida. She loved Karaoke nights and enjoyed all types of music. Her mother was her best friend and they were forever together.

Jessy is survived by her parents and a brother and sister-in-law, Thomas C. and Amanda Hagen, Granger, Ind.

Numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends survive her death and will miss her enormously.

Jessy was preceded in death by her maternal grandparents, Charles and Alice Hagen and her paternal grandparents, John and Josephine Spiewak.

Visitation with her family will be held from 2 – 6 p.m. on Sunday, December 26, 2004, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1110 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, Ind. An evening vigil prayer service will be held at 6 p.m. in the funeral home.

Funeral services will be on Monday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home. Father Glenn Kohrman, pastor of St. Mary’s of the Lake Roman Catholic Church, Culver, will officiate both services.
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Interment will be in the Burr Oak Cemetery, Burr Oak, Ind.

Virgil J. Spindler

Virgil J. Spindler, 2000 Westgate, died at 8:20 p.m. on Saturday, May 8, 2004. Virgil, 82, died of natural causes in St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Born in Bourbon, Ind., on March 23, 1922, Virgil was the son of Virgil Franklin and Nellie Scott Spindler. He attended Bourbon High School.

During World War II, in 1941, Virgil, in the U.S. Army for 3 1/2 years, served on Guam and in the Philippine Islands.

On September 14, 1946, in Rochester, Ind., Virgil and Clarice M. Eshelman were married. Clarice survives his death.

An Indiana Motor Bus driver for 27 years, Virgil retired in 1983.

Virgil was a Chicago Cub fan. He enjoyed working with his hands and planted a small and fruitful vegetable garden in the spring.

He was a member of the Plymouth Moose Lodge #741 and attended services at Sunrise Chapel, Plymouth.

In addition to Clarice, his wife of 57 years, Virgil is survived by four daughters and a son. They are: Sheila and John Rinkenberg and Melinda Kletka, all of Plymouth; Nancy and Tom Huffman, Rochester and Doreen Spindler, Indianapolis. His son, Tom and Cheri Spindler, are also of Plymouth.

Seventeen grandchildren and sixteen great-grandchildren survive as well.

Virgil was preceded in death by his parents, Larry Spindler, a son, and Joleen Spindler, a granddaughter.

There will be no visitation.

Graveside funeral services will take place in New Oakhill Cemetery on Tuesday, May 11, 2004, at 4 p.m. The Rev. Rustin Krapfl, pastor of the Sunrise Chapel, will officiate.

Military graveside services will be accorded to Virgil by the VFW Post 1162 of Plymouth.

The Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., is in charge of arrangements.

The family requests that memorial gifts in Virgil’s memory be made to the Marshall County Hospice.

Clinton M. Staples

Clinton M. Staples, 79, of 714 Miner St., Plymouth, Ind., died of natural causes at 7:05 p.m. in the St. Paul Retirement Community, South Bend, Ind.

A resident of South Bend and Plymouth most of his life, Clint was born the son of Noah E. and Verda S. Jackson Staples in Monroe County, Kentucky on February 3, 1925. He received his high school diploma from Riley High School in South Bend.

Clint served in the United States Marine Corps in both World War II and Korea and was a
member of the V.F.W.

In 1946, he and Cleo Arndt were married in South Bend. Cleo died on November 22, 1951. In 1952, Clint and Mary Alice Girten were married in South Bend: she died on September 19, 1996.

Clint was self-employed as an owner-operator truck driver for over 30 years, driving for Dallas & Mavis. He was a member of the Teamsters. Clint loved his job, and often said he had the best job in the world because he could see all parts of the country for free.

He was an avid reader and loved to play golf. Clint also was a big fan of the Chicago Bears and Notre Dame. He had worked as an usher for Notre Dame sports for two years.

He is survived by three daughters, three sons, 14 grandchildren and one great-granddaughter.

His daughters and their spouses are: Cindy and Brian Claeys, Plymouth; Pam Staples-Toner and Janice and Joseph Frucci, both of South Bend.

Gregory Staples and Kevin and Valerie Staples, both of South Bend and Paul and Judy Staples of Plymouth are Clinton’s surviving sons and daughters-in-law.

Five sisters and four brothers survive as well. They are: Carolyn and Jerry Kozuch of South Bend; Kathy Staples, Jewell Bennett and Margaret Kronewitter, all of Mishawaka and Delores and Ray Bruning of Chandler, Arizona.

Also Ray and Mary Lou Staples and Rondal Staples, both of South Bend: Larry Staples of Florida and Glen and Carol Staples of South Carolina.

Clint was preceded in death by his parents, his wives and Eva Staples, a sister.

Friends are invited to visit with the family at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, on Tuesday, April 20, 2004, from 2 to 4 p.m.

Funeral services officiated by Lay Minister Ray Vanett, will be held following visitation on Tuesday, April 20, 2004, at 4 p.m. in the funeral home.

Military rites will be provided by Plymouth V.F.W. Post 1162 at the funeral home, following the funeral services.

Memorial gifts may be made to Hospice, Alzheimer’s Association or St. Paul’s Health Care.

Eugene M. Stewart

Eugene M. Stewart, Sr., 77, a resident of Garden Court East the past ten years, died at home, 501 Pennsylvania Ave., at 8:20 a.m. on Wednesday, March 31, 2004. Eugene died, following an illness, in the presence of his family and the Marshall County Hospice. He has made Plymouth his home since 1964.

Born in Riverside, W. Va. on November 7, 1926, Eugene was the son of Manley and Grace Lee Dent Stewart. He attended East Bank W. Va. High School.

A W.W. II and Korean War veteran, Eugene was a Sergeant in the Army Air Corp. He was a member of the American Legion Post #27.

Eugene and Naomi E. Egnor were married on August 16, 1946, in Schlyn, W. Va.
A production painter for McCord Corp. for 15 years, Eugene was a former member of the United Auto Workers Union.

A man of many interests, he enjoyed hunting along the river near his home in W. Va.

He loved all sports, especially football, college basketball and the Cubs. He liked birds and living near the river at Garden Court. ‘Grandpa’ enjoyed making his appointed rounds with his children and grand children at their various activities.

A member of the AARP, he was also a Hospice Walk volunteer walker for the past four years.

Eugene is survived by Naomi, his wife of over 57 years and by their children:

James and Sharon Stewart, Plymouth; Patricia and Raymond Harness, Plymouth; Allen and Betty Stewart, Dyersburg, Tn.; Mary and Dennis Hostetler, Plymouth, Grace and Raymond Hummel, Plymouth; Carl Stewart, Plymouth; Betty and Doug Whiteman, Plymouth; Ellen Kaiser and Bryan Brown, Walkerton; Candy and Mike Shufelt, Plymouth; Samantha Stewart, Plymouth.

Twenty-four grandchildren and 30 great-grandchildren also survive together with two brothers and four sisters.

His brothers are: Glen Stewart, Newbern Tenn.; and Burl Stewart, ElPaso, TX.

His sisters are: Betty Wheaton, ElPaso, Texas; Lola Stewart, Downers Grove, Ill.; Elizabeth Latshaw, Denver, Colo.; and Thelma Gorczyca, Springfield, Mo.

Numerous nieces and nephews also survive.

Eugene was preceded in death by his parents and two sons: Eugene M. Stewart, Jr., and Kenneth Wayne Stewart. Two grandsons, five brothers and a sister have also predeceased him.

Visitation will be held on Friday, April 2, 2004, from 4 to 7 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, and for one hour prior to funeral services on Saturday.

The funeral services, officiated by the Rev. R.D. Humphrey, pastor of the House of Prayer, 12450 Plymouth-Goshen Trail, Plymouth, will be there at 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 3, 2004.

Interment will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Eugene’s memory may be made to the Center For Hospice, 112 S. Center St., Plymouth, the American Heart Association or the House of Prayer.

Irene May Stone

Irene May Stone, 85, 14535 Lincoln Highway, Plymouth, died in the Pilgrim Manor Nursing Center, at 4:30 a.m. on Wednesday, November 24, 2004.

Irene’s main focus in her life was her family and her church. She was a charter member of the Sunrise Chapel.

Born in Bronson, Michigan on May 3, 1919, Irene was the daughter of Louis and Rosa Etta Billet Cripe. She attended Lakeville High School and graduated from a South Bend beauty college in 1961.

On August 2, 1940, in Inwood, Ind., Irene and Harold E. Stone were married. Harold died on
June 20, 1988.

She was a homemaker and worked as the secretary for Stone Excavating for several years.

Irene is survived by three sons, a daughter and their spouses.

Her daughter is Rosemary and Don Laughlin, Claypool, Ind., and her sons are: John and Judy Stone and Jay and Charlotte Stone, all of Plymouth, and Ben and Vickie Stone of Rochester, Ill.

Fourteen grandchildren, 4 step-grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren and five step-great-grandchildren also survive.

Three sisters survive as well. They are Ruth Houston, New Paris, Ind., Lena Hoagland, Minnesota and Mary Beron, Bremen, Ind.

Irene was preceded in death by her parents, her husband and a daughter, Linda. Viola Swihart, a sister and four brothers, Cleo, Elwood, Clayton and Alva Cripe have also died.

Visitation will be in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, on Friday, November 26, 2004, from 4 to 8 p.m. and one hour before services at the church on Saturday, November 27, 2004.

Funeral services conducted by Pastor Rustin Krapfl, pastor of the church, will be held in Sunrise Chapel, 11802 Lincoln Hwy., at 11 a.m. on Saturday, November 27, 2004.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth, Ind.

Memorial gifts may be made in Irene's memory to the Sunrise Chapel.

Patrick Wayne Strickland

TAPS
Thanks and praise. For our days,
'Neath the sun. Neath the stars.
'Neath the sky.
As we go, This we know.
God is nigh.

Sergeant Patrick "Pat" Wayne Strickland, 19008 6B Road, Plymouth, died at 8:10 p.m. on Friday, August 6, 2004, in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne, Ind., as a result of an automobile accident. Pat was 26 years old.

Born the son of Bo and Debbie Strickland in LaPorte, Ind., on September 14, 1977, Pat graduated from John Glenn High School with the class of 1997.

Pat was a member of the Indiana National Guard for nine years. A member of Company H of the 151st National Guard infantry unit from Plymouth, he had come home safely earlier this year after serving his country for 14 months in Iraq. He was honored with an award upon his return.

The young soldier will be remembered as someone who loved his country and was proud to serve her and his fellowman. Even after death, he continued to give of himself. As an organ donor, seven recipients will live because of his desire to help other people.

In just over a month, Pat and his wife, Jennifer Strickland would have celebrated their fourth
wedding anniversary, having been married in Plymouth on September 9, 2000.

He was a quality control inspector for Fairmont Homes in Nappanee.

Pat liked to fish and to beat everybody bowling, tinkering with stereo equipment -- but most of all, being with his beloved daughter, Sierra and his family.

Pat is survived by his wife, Jennifer and their daughter, Sierra, both of Plymouth.

Other survivors are: his mother, Debbie Strickland, Plymouth; his father and step-mother, Bo and Joy Strickland, Lakeville; two brothers, Timothy and Sandy Vice, Temperance, Mich.; and Bo Strickland, Lakeland, Fla. A sister Barbara and Mike Shoemaker, Cedar Lake, Ind., and a stepbrother Derrick O'Blenis also survives.

Others are: maternal grandfather, Wayne Vice, Flagstaff, Ariz.; maternal grandmother, Florence and Tom Erdelyi, Walkerton, Ind.; paternal grandmother, Mildred Pegg, Walkerton, Ind.

Karen Boocher, Pat's mother-in-law and Marc Stump, his brother-in-law, both of Plymouth, also survive. Father-in-law, Dennis and Pam Stump, Chino Hills, Calif., survives as well, together with several aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

Pat was preceded in death by a grandfather, Jack Pegg and an uncle, Floyd Dale.

Friends will be received by the family from 3 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, August 12, 2004, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Chaplain Major Daniel E. Sherar, a chaplain for the Indiana National Guard, will officiate at Pat's funeral services on Friday, August 13, 2004, at 11 a.m. in the funeral home.

Full military graveside honors by will conducted in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Pat's name may be made to Brain Injury Assoc. of America or to the Sierra Strickland trust fund c/o First Source Bank, Plymouth, Indiana.

Harold W. Suter

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Harold W. Suter, 86, a Plymouth resident most of his lifetime, died unexpectedly of natural causes in the Emergency Room of Home Hospital in Lafayette, Ind. Harold, living in the Rosewalk Commons Assisted Living, Lafayette, for the past six years died at 7:17 p.m. on Wednesday, November 10, 2004.

He was born at home in Bremen, Ind., the son of Walter and Esta Shively Suter on May 27, 1918. He graduated from Bourbon High School with the class of 1938.

On June 6, 1943, in LaPorte, Harold and Virginia Marks were married. Virginia died on April 1, 1998.

A lifelong farmer even as a youth, it was said that Harold was on a tractor before he could even walk.

In addition to farming, which he loved, he was an employee of Bremen Bearing for a number of years. He developed Suter's Addition on 9 A Road off of Jefferson St., east of Plymouth.

Harold enjoyed Southern Gospel music and being with his family and friends.

He faithfully attended the Shiloh Wesleyan Church of Plymouth.
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Harold is survived by a daughter and son-in-law, Darlene Kay and Douglas Kring, Lafayette, Ind.

A granddaughter and her husband, Kephany D. and Stan Powell and their son, Matthew R. Powell, all of Nellys Ford, Vir., also survive, together with a grandson Ryan V. Kring, Palm Harbor, Fla. Two nieces and a nephew survive as well. They are Jane Silvey, Middletown, Ind., Cheryl Ball, Rochester, Ind. and Gary Peters, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

A number of great-nieces and nephews also survive.

Harold was preceded in death by his parents and his wife.

Visitation will be held in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, from 4 to 8 p.m. on Saturday, November 13, 2004, and for one hour preceding services on Sunday in the church.

Funeral services for Harold will be held in the Shiloh Wesleyan Church on Sunday, November 14, 2004, at 2 p.m. The Rev. John Perkinson, pastor of the church will officiate.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Gifts in memory of Harold, his life and service, may be made to the church.

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Florence I. Thomas

Florence I. Thomas, 91, died of natural causes at 9:35 a.m. on Tuesday, October 26, 2004, in Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth, where she had been a resident since February, 2003.

Born in her family’s Plymouth home, the current location of St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, on August 18, 1913, Florence was the daughter of A. Ray and Elma Thompson Welborn.

She was a 1931 graduate of Lincoln High School.


Florence was a bookkeeper for 20 years with the office staff of Bosworth’s Department store. She retired in 1974.

Active in her church, the Plymouth Church of the Brethren, Florence enjoyed seeing her sons sing during services. She dearly loved her family and being with them and her grandchildren. In years past she liked to travel and spent several winters in Texas and Florida.

Florence was a member of the church Ladies Aid Society, the quilting group of her church and of the Happy Homemakers Club of LaPaz. She was also a charter member of the Loyal Builders Sunday school class of the church.

Two sons survive, they are Robert D. and Sandy Thomas, Columbia City, Ind., and David R. and Alice Thomas, Plymouth.

Seven grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren also survive.

The grandchildren are: Micah, Wendy and Joel Thomas, children of Robert and Sandy and David Thomas, Karen Lopez, Kimberly and Krista Thomas, children of David and Alice.
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Mary Burkett, a sister of Florence, living in the Catherine Kasper Home in Donaldson and Katherine Barkey, also a sister, at Winona Lake, together with numerous nieces and nephews, survive as well.

Florence was preceded in death by her parents and her spouse.

A celebration of her life will be shared with family and friends from 4 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, October 28, 2004, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, and for one-hour prior to services in the church.

Funeral services for Florence will be at 11 a.m. on Friday, October 29, 2004, in the Plymouth Church of the Brethren, 1130 N. Michigan St., Plymouth. The Rev. David Kerkove, pastor of the church, will officiate.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Florence’s memory may be made to Camp Mack, Milford, Ind., through the church.

Lee F. Thompson, 81, a 309 Lewis St., resident for the past 41 years coming to Plymouth from southern Illinois, died following an extended illness on Sunday, Nov. 25, 2001. Lee died in St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, South Bend, at 11 p.m.

He was born on December 17, 1919, in Carrier Mills, Ill., the son of Ernest and Anna Weaver Thompson. Educated in Illinois schools, Lee served in the United States Army during W.W.II. A sergeant and Radar Crew Chief, he earned three battle stars during his 25 months in the European Theater.

First married to Ollie Cooper from 1941 until her death in 1944, he was then wed to Joan Norris of Culver from 1946 to 1958, she also preceded him in death. His third wife is Helen L. Warner who he married in Plymouth on July 17, 1961, she survives.

His lifelong career was as a Union carpenter.

He enjoyed many crafts and making wooden tables. He was a collector of old bottles.

A member of the Plymouth Moose Lodge 741, Lee also was a member of the VFW Post 1162.

He is survived by his wife, Helen, and by five daughters, a son and a step-son.

His daughters are: Sharon Norris Miesel, Stafford Springs, CT., Katie Norris Janes, Indianapolis, Ind., Molly Norris Milliser, Middleton, Ohio, Barbara Norris Johnson, Washington, Ind., and Sandra Cooper Turner, Eldorado, Ill.

John Shafer, Fortville, Ind., is his surviving son and Ronald L. Warner, Plymouth, his step-son.

Other survivors are a step-grandson, Miles Warner, Plymouth, numerous grand and great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

A sister, Ethel Woeltjen, Bradenton, Fla., and a brother, Bill Thompson, Rogers, Ark., also survive.

Lee was preceded in death by his parents, Loren Thompson, a brother and Maxine Parks, a
sister.

Friends may visit with the family at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, on Thursday, Nov. 29, 2001, from noon to 2 p.m.

Funeral services following visitation at 2 p.m. will be held in the funeral home. The Chaplain, of VFW Post 1162 will conduct the ceremony.

The VFW will hold special military graveside rites at New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Lee’s memory may be given to the Marshall County Humane Society.

Eugene O. “Gene” Thornburg, 75, of 11819 Queen Road, a Plymouth area resident most of his life, died unexpectedly of natural causes, in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth, at 2:36 p.m. on Tuesday, September 7, 2004.

Gene was born in Walkerton, Ind., on August 2, 1929, the son of Homer O. and Ethel Hilterbrand Thornburg. He graduated from West High School in 1948, and served in the United States Army during the Korean Conflict.


Retired after 30 years from Bendix’s Allied Signal division in 1985, Gene then worked for Cardinal Supply for six years after which he worked for Kroger’s until his retirement in June of this year.

Always active, not content to rest, Gene opened a bait shop about a month ago and was looking forward to operating his own business. To demonstrate the kind of man he was, Gene was enthusiastic about life and was known in his neighborhood for putting up enormous displays of Christmas lights to delight children and passers by.

He enjoyed playing the fiddle and liked country dancing. He used to have jam sessions at his home where friends would gather, play music and cook chicken or beef and noodles outdoors.

An officer in the Moose Lodge # 741, Gene was also a member of the Culver Eagles and the Plymouth American Legion Post 27.

He is survived by his wife, Phyllis, and by a daughter and two sons. They are Lois and Max Warren and Ronald E. Thornburg, all of Plymouth and Kenton H. and Rebecca Thornburg of Cotopaxi, Colorado.

Three stepsons also survive: Kevin and Lisa Kersey and Darrin Kersey, all of Plymouth and Michael and Mary Jo Kersey of Copperas Cove, Texas.

Eleven grandchildren, seven step-grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren and two step-great-grandchildren survive as well. Together with a brother, James and Irene Thornburg of Donaldson, and two sisters, Ruth and Dennis Zent of Nappanee, and Evelyn Eyrich of Bourbon.

Visitation will be in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, from 4 to 8 p.m. on Friday, September 10, 2004. A memorial service by members of the Moose Lodge will be held in the funeral home at 8 p.m.

Funeral Services for Gene will be conducted by the Rev. Jim Pippenger, pastor of the Bethel
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Tabernacle, in the funeral home on Saturday, September 11, 2004, at 10:30 a.m. Military honors will be given in honor of Gene's service to his country by the Plymouth V.F.W. Post #1162.

Graveside services at Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens, Osceola, Ind., will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday.

Memorial Gifts in Gene's memory may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

Irene Thornburg, 73, a Plymouth resident since she was 14-years-old, coming from Chicago, died at 11:30 a.m. in the Catherine Kasper Life Center, Donaldson, Ind., on Wednesday, September 22, 2004. Irene had fought a courageous battle with cancer.

She was born, the daughter of Samuel and Eva Klymus Sobinski, in Chicago, Ill., on October 8, 1930. She graduated from West High School in 1948 as the salutatorian of her class.

On June 26, 1949, Irene and James O. Thornburg were married in Plymouth.

A trusted and respected real estate broker since 1982, she first worked with the Probst Realty Agency and then, in 1988, joined Masterson & Associates Realty. She was a member of the National Association of Realtors and the North Central Association of Realtors. Irene also taught Real Estate sales and broker classes at Ancilla College for five years. She was an administrative assistant at the Plymouth High School for ten years.

Irene liked to sew, knit and was an avid reader. She enjoyed the country, flowers and traveling. She valued her many friendships, social functions and family traditions. She appreciated music and the arts, and in her younger years, she enjoyed singing.

Her devoted husband, children and grandchildren were the lights of her life.

Irene had been a member of the Marshall County Friend to Friend organization and a volunteer chaplain at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth. She was the Precinct 7 Democrat chairperson for many years, serving her party and her country.

Irene is survived by Jim, her husband of 55 years, who was dedicated to her and her care. Two daughters, a son and nine grandchildren also survive.

They are: Nancy J. Martin, Valparaiso, Ind., and her children: Stephanie and Dennis Johnson, Terre Haute, IN; and Julia and Rev. J.J. Hosch of Gary, IN.

Carol and Mark Jeffirs, Plymouth, and their children: Amelia, Nathaniel, Benjamin, Timothy, Abigail and Alexandra.

Mark J. and Julie Thornburg, Zionsville, IN, and their son, Maxwell.

Six great-grandchildren also survive.

Irene was preceded in death by her parents, a son, John E. Thornburg, who died on January 1, 1979, and a brother, John Daniel Sobinski.

Friends will be welcomed to celebrate Irene’s life with her family on Sunday, September 26, 2004, from 3 to 7 p.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.
Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, September 27, 2004, in the Church of the Brethren, 1130 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, where Irene had been a member since 1966. The Revs. David Kerkove, pastor of the church, and her grandson-in-law, the Rev. J. J. Hosch, will officiate.

Interment will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorials in Irene’s memory may be made to the Marshall County Cancer Society, the American Red Cross or the Plymouth Church of the Brethren.

Jessie M. Tillman, 75, died, following an extended illness, at her residence, 6162 S. 875 W. Claypool, Ind., on Tuesday, March 2, 2004, at 8:45 p.m. Jessie had moved to Claypool from Plymouth 42 years ago.

She was born in Plymouth on August 1, 1928, the daughter of Jesse and Estella Kyser Markley. She was a 1946 graduate of West High School.

On December 15, 1947, in Nappanee, Ind., Jessie and Lloyd E. Tillman were married.

A homemaker, she helped her husband on their farm.

Jessie enjoyed driving the tractor, flower gardening and watching the hummingbirds. She was an avid camper, liked all kinds of games and especially loved being with her family.

She had attended the Walnut Church of the Brethren.

Jessie is survived by Lloyd, her husband of 56 years, Claypool, and by their four children, two sons and two daughters.

Her daughters are: Pat and Joe Walters and Becky and Ed Drudge, all of Claypool. Her two sons are: Gary and Linda Tillman, Bremen, and Dale and Deb Tillman, Claypool.

Fourteen grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren also survive, together with a brother, Russell Markley and a sister-in-law, Margaret “Peg” Markley, both of Plymouth.

Jessie was preceded in death by her parents, a great-grandchild, a sister, Laura O’Dell and a brother, Glenn Markley.

Friends will be welcomed by Jessie’s family from 4 to 8 p.m. on Friday, March 5, 2004, at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, March 6, 2004, in the funeral home. The Rev. Paul McBride will officiate.

Interment will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Jessie’s memory may be made to the American Heart Association.

Dorothy F. Tomlinson, residing at Pilgrim Manor, 222 Parkview Drive, since January of 2001, formerly of N. Plum St., Plymouth, died of natural causes at 7:50 a.m. on Tuesday, February 17, 2004. She was 95 years old.

Born in Chicago, Ill., on January 19, 1909, she was the daughter of George E. and Edna M.
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Stevens Taylor. She graduated from Flower Technical High School in Chicago.

In the month of January in 1930, Dorothy and William "Harvey" Tomlinson were married in Illinois. Harvey died on December 18, 1973.

Dorothy had worked at Murphy's Five and Dime store in downtown Plymouth. A homemaker and lifetime caregiver for various family members, including her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She had an outstanding reputation for her baking and Dorothy's back door was always open to serve the neighborhood children cookies.

Instrumental in the formation of Christ's Church in Plymouth, she was a long-time devoted member and ready to serve where needed.

Dorothy is survived by a daughter Betty L. Shock Snay and her husband Jack of Plymouth.

Three grandsons: Roddy L. and Debbie Shock, Houghton Lake, Michigan; Denny C. Shock, Plymouth, and Art and Dawn Snay, Bourbon, also survive, together with a granddaughter, Penny L. and Rick Dixon, Plymouth.

Nine great-grandchildren, five great-great grandchildren and numerous step-great grandchildren, survive as well.

The great-grandchildren are: Chad Shock, Kelly Trott, Melinda Shock, Kyle Shock, Becky Blosser, Adam Shock, Eric Shafer, Steven Snay and Griffin Snay.

Three sisters also survive. They are: Marge and Bud Bossard, Lansing, Ill.; Helen Ferree, Monee, Ill.; and Florence Strombeck, Mishawaka, Ind.

Dorothy was preceded in death by her parents, her husband and two brothers: Harold and Marshall Taylor.

A gathering of friends and family to celebrate her life will be from 10:30 to 11 a.m. on Friday, February 20, 2004, in the New Oakhill Cemetery Chapel, Plymouth.

Funeral services will follow visitation at 11 a.m. in the chapel. Interment will be in the New Oakhill Cemetery.

Gifts to celebrate the life of Dorothy Tomlinson may be made to Christ Church, 12012 Old U.S. 31 South, Plymouth.

Bonna M. Toth

Bonna M. Toth, 65, of Union Road died of natural causes, at 8:04 P.M. Saturday May 16, 2004, in the St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Bonna was born on July 18, 1938 in Hammond, Indiana to Harold C. and Elsie Nora Hartz Henderson Sr. She was a member of the Hammond High School Class of 1956.

She was formerly of Kewanna and Rochester, having resided in the Plymouth area since 1975. Bonna had resided at Garden Court West prior to her move in February of 2003 to Catherine Kasper Life Center.

Bonna was employed as a cook which she loved doing for many area nursing homes, for Ancilla and the Catherine Kasper Home she served as a Q.M.A. and dietary assistant for 11
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years retiring in 1994. While living at the Life Center, Bonna became a volunteer staffer of the reception area for the Catherine Kasper Home.

She enjoyed writing poetry, needlework and most recently she crocheted small blanket used for pre-mature infants. Bonna had a big heart and was always giving of others. She was active and for many years was treasurer for the Marshall County Right to Life and had attended services at the Nappanee Missionary Church, Nappanee, Ind.

Bonna is survived her mother Elsie a resident of Pilgrim Manor, one sister, Helen M. (Bill) Caudle, Middletown, Ohio, and four brothers: Robert (Sherri) Henderson, Azle, Texas, Michael (Alvina) Henderson, River Heights, Utah, Harold (Sandy) Henderson, Dayton, Ohio, Daniel Henderson, Bloomington, Indiana,

Many close friends survive, including David and Becky Hartman and children Rachel & Elizabeth, Willard and Ruth Pletcher, Joe and Joann McCormick, Shirley Green, Sister Virginia Kampworth P.H.J.C., and Gary and Darlene Edgecomb.

Preceding Bonna in death was a sister, Lona Arlene Howdeshell, and a brother, William Edward Henderson.

Family and friends will gather for a celebration of Bonna’s life on Wednesday, May 19, 2004 from 6 to 7 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St. Plymouth. Funeral Services for Bonna will follow visitation at 7:00 P.M. on Wednesday May 19, 2004, in the funeral home.

Burial will take place in the New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth, Indiana

Memorial gifts in Bonna’s memory may be made to Gideons International, or The American Lung Assoc.

Hazel L. Treesh

Hazel L. Treesh, 89, of Vistula Road, Osceola, died of natural causes in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Mishawaka at 1:35 p.m. on Wednesday, October 6, 2004.

Born in Culver, Ind., on January 19, 1915, Hazel was the daughter of Louis and Nellie Heminger Wolfgang. She had lived in Bremen until 1960, when she moved to Plymouth where she lived until 1977, then she and her husband moved to Florida where she lived for approximately 20 years, before moving to Osceola.


Hazel had worked at the Bremen Foundry for 30 years, as a casting worker and inspector.

She enjoyed doing anything outdoors, traveling, road trips, watching television, but her biggest enjoyment was being with her grandchildren, great grandchildren, and great-great grandchildren.

Hazel is survived by her daughter, Glenice J. Bennett of Osceola, her grandchildren are: Karen and Bill Meister and Robert and Karen Bennett, both of Mishawaka. Seven great grandchildren and three great-great grandchildren. Her great grandchildren are: Tracy Vantine, Pamela and Mike Tarwacki, Scott Meister, Stephanie Meister, Shawn Bennett, Carrie Bennett and Jessica Bennett. Her grear-great grandchildren are: Chad Vantine, Christopher Buggs and Krislyn Tarwacki.
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She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, a sister, Dolores Dague, and her brothers Carl, Ralph, Paul, Richard and Audrey Wolfgang.

Visitation will be from 10 to 11 a.m. on Saturday, October 9, 2004, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, Ind.

Funeral services will follow visitation at 11:00 a.m. in the Funeral Home on Saturday, October 9, 2004. The Rev. Charles Krieg, pastor of the Salem United Methodist Church, Bremen, will officiate.

Interment will be in Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth, Ind.

Memorial gifts in Hazel’s memory may be given to the Kidney Foundation or the Cancer Association.

Harold C. Trump

Lifetime Marshall County resident, Harold C. Trump, 15633 Redwood Road, Culver, Ind., 87, died of natural causes in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth, at 10:50 a.m. on Wednesday, March 17, 2004.

He was born in Bremen, Ind., on February 8, 1917, the son of Clarence E. and Clara J. Bohmer Trump and was a 1935 graduate of Plymouth High School.

During World War II, Harold served with the 8th Air Force, 100th bomb Group at Thorpe Abbots Field, England. He was an armorer on B-17’s.

On January 5, 1952, in the First United Methodist Church, Plymouth, Harold and Dorothy M. Henderson were married. Dorothy preceded him in death less than three months ago, on December 23, 2003.

Harold had been a production worker at McCord’s Corp. in Plymouth for 37 years, retiring in 1982.

An avid reader, he also enjoyed farming and woodworking.

Harold is survived by a daughter and her husband, Sylvia and Milton Zimmerman, Plymouth.

A granddaughter and her husband of Wheeling, Ill., Valerie and William Burgdorf and a grandson, Todd Patterson, Mishawaka, Ind., also survive, together with three great-grandchildren and a nephew, Michael Trump of Argos.

In addition to his wife and parents, Harold was preceded in death by a grandson, Steven Patterson, a brother, Albert M. Trump and a nephew, Arthur H. Trump.

Visitation and sharing of memories with Harold’s family will be from 9 to 11 a.m. on Saturday, March 20, 2004, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services in the funeral home will follow the visitation at 11 a.m. The Rev. Pat Orr will officiate.

A member of the American Legion, military graveside services will be provided by the Plymouth VFW Post 1162.

Interment will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.
Memorial gifts may be given in Harold’s memory to the Plymouth Wesleyan Church or to the Marshall County Hospice.

August Vervynckt

August Vervynckt, 81, Redwood Rd., died of natural causes in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, South Bend, at 1:10 p.m. on Wednesday, September 8, 2004. For the past two years he has resided at the Catherine Kasper Life Center, Donaldson.

Family was the center of August’s life. He enjoyed his grandchildren, their sporting events and their various accomplishments and attended whenever he could.

A longtime area farmer, formerly of New Carlisle, Ind., August was born in South Bend on October 6, 1922. His parents were Achiel and Martha Taghone Vervynckt.

August attended South Bend schools. He enlisted in the United States Army Air Corps during World War II and served as a medic in the 42nd AAF Base unit. He was honorably discharged in 1946 as a corporal.

On October 11, 1947, August and Dorothy Van Driessche were married in South Bend. Dorothy died on October 25, 1986.

Self-employed doing the work that he thoroughly enjoyed, August worked for over 30 years on the family farm, retiring in 1978.

August is survived by two sons and four daughters and their spouses. They are: Stephen A. and Brenda Vervynckt; James C. and Laura Vervynckt; Margaret A. Benway all of Plymouth; Martha E. and Jerry Huffer of Mexico; Susan M. and Brett Klingerman of Plymouth; and Arlene M. and Thomas Anderson, Pea Ridge, Ark.

Twenty-one grandchildren and six great grandchildren also survive.

Preceding August in death are his parents, his wife and Jerry Benway, a son-in-law.

The family will welcome visitors on Monday, September 13, 2004, from 4 to 8 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth. A rosary will be said at 8 p.m.

A Mass of Christian Burial for August will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, September 14, 2004, at St. Michael’s Roman Catholic Church, 600 N. Center St., Plymouth, where he was a member. The Reverend Edward Ssebbowa will officiate.

Interment will be in St. Michael’s Cemetery where Veterans of Foreign Wars, Marshall County Post 1162 will conduct graveside services.

Memorial gifts in August’s memory may be made to St. Michael’s Church or school.

Irene Vieweg

Irene Vieweg, 89, 1409 W. Jefferson St., the first recipient of the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce’s "Volunteer of the Year," died of natural causes at 2 p.m. on Monday, November 8, 2004, in Miller’s Merry Manor.

Born in Whiting, Ind. to Stanley and Helen Gajewski Gronowski on October 13, 1915, Irene graduated from Whiting High School in 1933. She sang in several vocal musical groups and was a member of the drama club. She participated in the 1933 Chicago Tribune’s weekly World’s Fair Personality contest and was a recipient of a $100 prize. With that money she was
able to attend the Chicago College of Commerce Business School.

Employed by the Carbide and Carbon Chemicals Corp. of Whiting, she worked there for about six years in office staffing and was also a model in Chicago.

On June 12, 1937, in the Trinity Lutheran Church in Hammond, Ind., Irene and Otto F. Vieweg were married. They had met while singing with the Orpheus Choir of Hammond in a concert performed at the 1933 Chicagoland Music Festival at Soldier's Field, Chicago, Ill. Both became musically involved within their communities and churches. This continued when they became members of Calvary Lutheran Church in Plymouth.

In Plymouth, she worked for Bob Tanner and then assisted her husband in his tax preparation business.

First among her many interests was her devotion to her Lord Jesus Christ. At Calvary Lutheran Church, she was a Lutheran Braille worker, sang in the church choir and was active in the Alter Guild.

She also sang in the Plymouth Community choir and in addition to being named the 2001 Volunteer of the Year by the Chamber of Commerce, was also recognized by the South Bend Tribune for that same honor.

Irene participate in numerous community affairs: the American Red Cross, Marshall County Historical Society, Friends of the Library and the Marshall County Election Board.

Irene learned to drive at the age of 69 and she enjoyed visiting people in the local nursing homes, traveling and gardening. She was especially close to her children, grand and great-grand-children.

Irene is survived by her daughter Barbara Jean Tanner, Michigan City, Ind., and her children, Thomas C. and Pamela Tanner, New Buffalo, Mich., and Kathleen and Tim Carpenter, Brighton, Mich. She was also survived by her son, Thomas O. and Mary Ann Vieweg, Cary, Ill., and their children: Christopher J. Vieweg and Sarah E. Vieweg, both of Cary, Ill.

Her great-granddaughter, Kasey Lynn Carpenter and James Thayer Carpenter, both of Brighton, Mich., survive as well.

A sister-in-law, Nancy Gronowski of McCordsville, Indiana, and many nieces and nephews also survive.

Irene was preceded in death by her parents and Otto, her loving spouse who died November 18, 1984. Three brothers, Edward, Gene and Ray Gronowski and a sister, Dorothy Gronowski have also died.

A celebration of Irene’s life and loving service to others will be held on Thursday, November 11, 2004, from 2 to 5, and 7 to 9 p.m. in the Calvary Lutheran Church, 1314 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, and for one hour prior to services in the church.

Funeral services for Irene, officiated by the Rev. Steven Resner, pastor of the church, will be held in the church at 10 a.m. on Friday, November 12, 2004.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be made in Irene’s memory to either the Lutheran Braille Workers Center # 98 , or the Calvary Lutheran Church, 1314 N. Michigan St. Plymouth, Ind. 46563.
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Ida M. Wagoner

Ida M. Wagoner, 91, of 6708 Wateroak Drive, Willow Spring, North Carolina, passed away Saturday, September 25, 2004 at Wake Med-Hospital Center in Raleigh, North Carolina.

She was born, June 13, 1913, in Hammond, Indiana to George and Martha (Littman) Towle.

Ida and Galen I. Wagoner were married July 4, 1931, in Benton Harbor, Michigan, and lived in Plymouth for many years. Galen passed away on January 19, 1994. Ida moved to her daughter's home, in North Carolina, three years ago.

Ida was a member of the Pretty Lake Trinity United Methodist Church, Plymouth, and was active in the groups at the church. She also belonged the Christian Women's Club. Ida was well known for her beautiful and delicious cakes, that she made and decorated for special occasions, for many, many, people.

She is survived by her daughters, Patsy (James) Brown of Willow Spring, North Carolina and Bonnie (Larry) Bair of Stockbridge, Georgia; her daughter-in-law, Ruth (Floyd) Nifong of Plymouth; 11 grandchildren; and several great and great-great grandchildren. Ida was preceded in death by her son, Richard; and two infant children.

Services will be held Wednesday, September 29, 2004 at 11:00 a.m. at the Pretty Lake Trinity United Methodist Church, Plymouth, with the Rev. James Irwin and the Rev. Charles Krieg officiating. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Visitation will be Tuesday, September 28, 2004 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth, Indiana, and one hour before the service at the church, on Wednesday.

The family requests that memorial contributions be given to the Pretty Lake Trinity United Methodist Church, 8985 State Road 17, Plymouth, Indiana, 46563.

Helen A. Watters

Helen A. Watters, 81, a resident of the Plymouth area since 1947, died on Thursday, June 24, 2004, at 10:23 a.m., in the Pilgrim Manor Nursing Home, 222 Parkview St., Plymouth.

Helen was born on December 29, 1922, in Buchanan, Mich. She was the daughter of William and Hazel I. Blanchard Hibnar. She graduated in 1940, from Niles High School, Niles, Mich.

On December 24, 1949, Helen and James E. Watters were married in Plymouth, Ind. James died on March 24, 1973.

Helen had worked as a sales clerk at the City News Agency, Plymouth, for 14 years, until 1984. After that, she did home health care for several years, then she worked for the American Red Cross office in Plymouth for five years.

She attended the Plymouth Wesleyan Church.

Helen is survived by a daughter and son-in-law, Karen and Marlin Betz, Plymouth.

A grandson, Jason Murray, with the National Guard in Bosnia and three granddaughters, Amanda Murray and her daughter, Emily Grace, Plymouth; Lindsay and James Mann and their son Jaxon of Greenwood, Ind. and Rachel Wiseman and her children, Riley, Bailey and Delaney, all of Warsaw, Ind., also survive.

Three sisters: Lorna and Laverne Hazard, Cassopolis, Mich.; Arlene Bowden, Clovis, New
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Mex.; Doris and Nelson Yockey and a brother-in-law, Richard Cruse, all of Plymouth, also survive.

Helen was preceded in death by her parents, her husband and an infant daughter, Marsha Watters, and a sister Wilda Cruse. A brother-in-law, Hugh Bowden has also died.

Friends will be welcomed by the family to share memories and celebrate Helen’s life, on Tuesday, June 29, 2004, from Noon to 2 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Helen will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 29, 2004, in the funeral home. The Rev. Robert Klatt, senior’s pastor of the Plymouth Wesleyan Church, will officiate.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Helen’s memory may be made to the Plymouth Wesleyan Church.

Rosemarie (Rose) West, 59, of 20877 State Road 8, Culver, Indiana, passed away Wednesday, September 29, 2004 at 10:45 p.m. at the Indiana University Medical Center, Indianapolis, Indiana.

She was born on September 25, 1945, in Providence, Rhode Island, to Al and Erminia (Acostat) Lewis, Sr. Rose moved to the Plymouth area in 1974.

Rose and James West, were married on January 1, 1983 in Warwick, Rhode Island.

Rose worked for the Marshall County Parkview Hospital, as an aid, and was a wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother.

She is survived by her husband, James West; her daughters, Donna (Tony) Dearinger of Kewanna, Indiana, Rosemarie Lantz of Plymouth, Bridgitte (Jeffery) Simpkins of Walkerton, Indiana, Dawn (Keith) Allen of Knox, Indiana; her sons, John (Pepi) Harding, III and Marty Smith of Mishawaka, Indiana; a daughter, Sandra Lowe of Bowling Brook, Illinois; four sons, James West, Jr. of Portage, Indiana, John West of Merrillville, Indiana, Joseph West of Houston, Texas, Timmy West of Gary, Indiana, and Anthony West of Fort Wayne, Indiana. Also surviving are her brother, Al Lewis, Jr. of Culver, Indiana; her sister, Delores Morgan of Connecticut; 27 grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by two grandchildren and two sisters.

Services will be held Monday, October 4, 2004 at 11:00 a.m the Community Baptist Church, Highway 35 and New York Street, in Knox, Indiana, with the Rev. C. Bragley, the Rev. E. Allen, the Rev. L. Salyer, and the Rev. C. Connley officiating. Burial will be in Highland Cemetery, North Judson, Indiana.

Visitation will be Sunday, October 3, 2004 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth. There will also be visitation one hour prior to the service, at the church, on Monday.

Marguerite L. White, 92, of 19009 West 15th Road, Culver, passed away Thursday, December 2, 2004 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

She was born on July 2, 1912 in LaPaz to Melvin and Emma (Rose) Clark.
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Marguerite was a member of the North Salem Church of God. She worked for the Culver Academies until she retired. Walter L. White and Marguerite were married in 1940. He passed away in 1958.

She is survived by her daughter, Lucille Bradley of Culver; her grandson, Walter Bradley of Goshen; and her sister, Beatrice Aman of Ocala, Florida.

Services will be held Monday, December 6, 2004 at 11:00 a.m. at Van Gilder Funeral Home in Plymouth, with Pastor Darrell Cardwell officiating. Burial will be in the Culver Masonic Cemetery.

Visitation will be on Monday, December 6, 2004 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth.

The family requests that memorial contributions be given to the North Salem Church of God or to the Family.

Travis A. Wieringa

Travis A. Wieringa died at 1:07 p.m. on Thursday, December 23, 2004, in an auto accident on State Road 17, one mile south of 10B Road.

Born on May 6, 1990, in Rochester, Ind., he was just 14 years old.

An eighth grader at Lincoln Jr. High School, Travis was the son of Chuck Wieringa and Laurie Wright Belcher. He lived at 2401 N. Michigan St., in Plymouth.

John McNeil, principal of Lincoln Jr. High School stated that the loss of Travis will have an impact on the students and faculty of LJH.

“Travis was a nice young man, a good student who was quiet, unassuming with many friends,” McNeil said.

He played football, basketball, baseball and skateboarded with his friends along with Play Station and hanging out.

He belonged to several study groups and was looking forward to playing freshman football this next fall.

Travis is survived by his father, Chuck and Susie Wieringa, Nappanee; his mother, Laurie and Shane Belcher, Plymouth, and by four sisters and a brother.

They are: Kelsi Wieringa, Krissy Wieringa, Tori Godwin, Emily Belcher and Cody Wieringa.

Several sets of grandparents also survive Travis’ death. They are: Wanda and Fred Lloyd, Lonnie and Janet Wagers, William and Nita Wieringa, Pat and Johnny Whitt, Otis and Mary Belcher and Floyd and Linda Burton.

Travis is also survived by two great grandmothers, Marilyn Moreno and Helen Deicel.

Several aunts and uncles also survive.

Visitation with the family will be from 3 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, December 28, 2004, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, Ind.

Funeral services in the funeral home will be at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, December 29, 2004.
Ruth Spaid Woolley

Ruth Spaid Woolley, 97, died of natural causes at 3:35 p.m. on Friday, March 26, 2004 at Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth.

Ruth, the daughter of Bruce and Nanah Howell Miller, was born in Burlington, Iowa, on June 19, 1906. Ruth has been a Walkerton – Plymouth area resident since 1918, coming from Wyoming, where she had lived since 1910. She had attended Dare School in Walkerton.


After Ruth raised her family, she worked in the office of Price Nurseries for 20 years, retiring in 1968.

She was a member of the Helpful Hour Club and the American War Mothers, and had attended Shiloh Wesleyan Church.


Twenty-six grandchildren, forty-four great grandchildren, numerous great-great grandchildren, and two sisters: Florence Shelton and Lila Kangas, both of Wheatland Wyoming, also survive.

Ruth was preceded in death by her parents, her husbands, a son: Richard Spaid, a daughter: Linda Carmen Spaid, three sisters: Tessie Griffin, Ruby Wolff, and Bessie Bateman, two brothers: Clarence Miller and Jack Miller, two step-daughters: Hazel Woolley and Thelma Thomas, and two step-sons: Robert Woolley and Walter Woolley.

Visitation with the family to celebrate Ruth’s life will be from 3 to 7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 30, 2004 , in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services will be held in the funeral home on Wednesday, March 31, 2004 at 11:00 a.m.. Rev. John Perkinson, pastor of the Shiloh Wesleyan Church will officiate.

Burial will be in Center-Polk Cemetery, LaPaz, Indiana.

Memorial gifts in Ruth’s name may be made to the Marshall County Hospice.
Family memorial services were held Wednesday, October 27, 2004 at 2:00 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home in Plymouth, with Rev. Stephen Patrick officiating.

Arthur F. (Beans, Dick) Young  VanGilder Funeral Home

Arthur (Dick) Young, affectionately called Beans, 80, of 10485 Quince Road, Pretty Lake, Plymouth, Indiana, passed away at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, October 19, 2004, at Pilgrim Manor Nursing Home from complications due to heart surgery in April. He was surrounded by his family.

He is survived by his wife, Norma; three children, Jody Kriscunas of Plymouth, Tom and (Susan) Young of Atlanta, Georgia, and Sarah Young of Plymouth; five grandchildren, Katie and (Tom) Kain, Steven Kriscunas, Adam Young, Elliott Young, and Evan Young; a great-grandchild, Enzo Kain; two step-grandchildren in Atlanta; two sisters, Phylis Kralovansky of Plymouth and Nanalee Childers of Texas; stepchildren, Marla and Todd Flora of Plymouth; step-grandchildren, Evan Flora and Drew Flora. He was preceded in death on August 8, 1987, by his wife, Suzanne Pesch Young, and on June 10, 1994, by his son-in-law, Mike Kriscunas.

Dick was born on November 4, 1923, in Plymouth, to Wayne and Vivian Young. He was raised in Plymouth by his grandparents, Arthur and Ida Young. He graduated from Lincoln High School, in Plymouth. He married Suzanne Pesch Young on September 6, 1949. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II and again in the Korean Conflict. After the service, he returned to Plymouth and opened a gas station on the corner of Jefferson and Michigan streets. He also continued to drive a truck for his grandfather’s company that hauled radiators from McCord’s, in Plymouth, to the Studebaker Company, in South Bend. Upon selling the gas stations, Beans continued a 40 year career in truck driving.

On May 21, 1988, he married his second wife, Norma Reese. He enjoyed 17 years of retirement which included time spent with his family and friends, golfing with his buddies, and many trips. Beans was a veteran of two wars, a member of Phi Deltas, the Moose Lodge, the Teamsters, and the Plymouth Country Club.

Visitation will be Thursday, October 21, 2004 from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth. A memorial service will be held at the First United Methodist Church, 400 North Michigan Street, Plymouth, on Friday, October 22, 2004, at 11:00 a.m., with the Rev. Dr. Dean Fager officiating. Donations may be made to the charity of the donor’s choice.