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Cherryl L. Hardy  Date of Death 1/1/2007

BREMEN — Cherryl L. Hardy, 59, of Bremen, died Jan. 1 at her residence.

She is survived by her husband Rick of Bremen; two daughters: Traci and Jay Stoneburner of Bremen and Margo and Danny Aukerman of Bremen; her father, Otto and Verda Bussanmas of South Bend; one sister, two step-brothers; five grandchildren and two step-grandchildren.

Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the Mishler Funeral Home, 2030 S.R. 331, Bremen.

Services will be Thursday at 10:30 a.m. with Pastor Chuck Kreig officiating, at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Bremen Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association, American Diabetes Association of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

Family condolences may be sent to www.mishlerfuneralhomes.com.

Danna G. Livinghouse  Date of Death 1/1/2007

PLYMOUTH — Danna G. Livinghouse, 56, of 222 Parkview St., Plymouth, left us to be with her Lord and Savior, on Monday, Jan. 1, 2007 at 5:35 a.m. at the Pilgrim Manor Nursing Home, Plymouth.

Danna was born on Aug. 24, 1950, in Plymouth, to Roy and Ernesteen “Tiny” (Anderson) Livinghouse. She is survived by her mother, Ernesteen “Tiny” Livinghouse; her son, Mark Randall “Randy” Livinghouse of Lakeland, Fla.; her twin sister, Glenna Livinghouse of Arizona; her sisters: Sandra (Rod) Fry of Plymouth and Merijo Livinghouse of Plymouth; her brother, Mark Livinghouse of Plymouth; five nieces; two nephews; three, great-nieces; and one great-nephew.

She was preceded in death by her father, Roy Livinghouse.

The Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison St., Plymouth, has been entrusted with the arrangements. Private family services will be held.

Family and friends may sign the guest book and share memories with the Livinghouse Family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com.

James W., Sr. Budd  Date of Death 1/2/2007

WALKERTON — James W. Budd Sr., 73, of Timothy Trail in Walkerton, passed away at 5:53 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 2, 2007 in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center/Plymouth after an extended illness.

Jim was born on Dec. 7, 1933 in Winamac and resided in the area all his lifetime. On Feb. 19, 1960, he married Virginia Louise Carroll in Michigan City.

Jim is survived by his loving wife, Virginia; a daughter, Pamela Sue Garab of Walkerton; two sons: James W. (Theresa) Budd Jr. and Gregory L. (Margaret) Carroll Sr., both of Plymouth; a brother, Edward Budd of Goodland; four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren, whom he loved and cherished.

Mr. Budd was preceded in death by his parents, Cecil and Hilda (Poor) Budd; two sons: Jerry E. and Larry LeRoy Budd; three sisters: Alice Burns, Lois Imel and Mary Carmany; and two brothers: LeRoy Budd and Elmer Budd.

Mr. Budd was a veteran of the Korean Conflict serving in the U.S. Army. He was a member of
the American Legion Post 289 in Walkerton, the VFW and the IOOF Lodge in Walkerton. He was also a member of the First Baptist Church in Walkerton.

The family would like all memorial contributions be made to the First Baptist Church in Walkerton.

Visitation hours will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 5 in Hanley & Sons Funeral Home, Walkerton Chapel, located at 1216 Roosevelt Rd., Walkerton.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 6 in the funeral home with Pastor D.O. VanDyne officiating. Burial to follow at Woodlawn Cemetery, Walkerton. North Liberty VFW Post 1954 will have military graveside services.

The HANLEY & Sons Funeral Home, Walkerton Chapel, handled arrangements and services and extend deepest sympathy and heartfelt prayers to the Budd family.

Robert C., Sr. Richards  Date of Death 1/2/2007

PLYMOUTH — Robert C. Richards Sr., 79, 20284 Lincoln Highway, Plymouth, died at 1:38 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 2, 2007, in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth, of an apparent unexpected heart attack.

Robert was born the son of John H. Sr., and Riddie (Gilliam) Richards in Rogersville, Tenn., on Dec. 16, 1927. There he was raised and graduated from Rogersville High School.


Robert was self-employed. A known 'workaholic,' he was the owner-operator of Richard’s Saw Mill for more than 40 years.

He played the guitar and sang in his younger years and always enjoyed music. His favorite breed of horse was the Appaloosa.

Barbara Lynn Beville  Date of Death 1/3/2007

PLYMOUTH — Barbara Lynn Beville, 62, of Ft. Wayne, formerly of Knox, died at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 3 in Lutheran Hospital of natural causes.

Survivors include her two brothers: David C. Beville of Ft. Wayne and Dennis W. and wife Francie Beville along with her niece Sarah A. Beville and great nephew Evan Joseph Beville, all of Plymouth. Three aunts and cousins also survive.

Graveside services will be held at 11 a.m. (E.S.T.) Saturday, Jan.6 in the Crown Hill Cemetery at Knox. There will be no visitation.

Preferred are memorial gifts in Barbara’s memory to the Marshall-Starke Development Center, St. Michael School or charity of the donor’s choice.

The Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home is assisting with arrangements.

Notes of condolence may be sent to the family via the Web site: johnson-danielson.com

Donald R. Neidlinger  Date of Death 1/3/2007

CULVER — Donald R. “Don” Neidlinger, 70, a lifetime Marshall County resident, died of natural causes at his residence, 16682 14 B Rd., Culver, at 5:10 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 3, 2007, where he had lived since 1965.
Born in Tyner, on Nov. 22, 1936, the son of Fay O. and Marjorie Kelver Neidlinger, Don was raised in Culver.

He graduated from Culver High School with the class of 1954, and earned his Ferrier Certificate from Michigan State University. He also received an associates degree in equine science.

In his younger years, he raced horses and remained a ferrier until December of this past year.

He was an expert field tile installer for over 40 years through his company, Neidlinger Drainage.

An avid sportsman he enjoyed coon hunting and raising fox terriers and coon dogs.

Musically talented, Don played the saxophone and stand-up bass with the band, “Cardiac Kids” made up of various family members and friends.

Don was proud to be a longtime charter member of the “Culver Liars Club.”

He is survived by two daughters and two sons and soon-to-be eight grandchildren.

His daughters and their families are: Donna G. Greene, Culver and children, Chevy “Dodge” Porter and Johnathon George Hopple; and Angela Neidlinger and Tim Weist, Argos, with children, Robert Allen Green II, Dugan Vaughn Green, Allison Weist and the anticipated arrival of Peyton Timothy Weist.

His sons are John P. Neidlinger, Plymouth, with daughter Kaitlin Dean Stone: and Casey B. and Angie Neidlinger, Greenwood with son Elijah David Neidlinger.

Two sisters: Joan and Francis Zink, Culver, and Jean and Clem Miller, Rochester, together with numerous nieces and nephews, survive as well.

Don was preceded in death by a sister, Ruth Morris and three brothers: Ralph, Glen and Robert “Sam” Neidlinger.

Friends are invited to share memories of Don’s life with his family on Saturday, Jan. 6, 2007, from 4 to 8 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Don will be held at 1 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 7, 2007, in the funeral home. Tom Padberg, Chaplain of the Marshall County Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, will officiate.

Burial will be in the Culver Masonic Cemetery, Culver.

Memorial gifts in Don’s name may be made to the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, 112 S. Center St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family through the Internet: www.johnson-danielson.com

Betty J. Wicks  Date of Death 1/4/2007

HOUSTON, TEXAS — Betty J. Wicks, who in life found comfort in the Word of God, now enjoys eternal peace in the presence of her loving Savior.

Betty, a former Marshall county resident, died this past week of natural causes at the age of 78. She has made Houston her home for the past 10 years.

Betty was born in Huntington County, Indiana, on August 22, 1929, the daughter of Charles J.
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Sr., and Hilda L. Kuschel Wicks and had attended Muncie schools.

Betty is survived by four sisters and two brothers.

Her sisters are: JoAnn and Robert Powers, LaPaz; Carolyn I. Wicks and Mary A. Wicks, both of Plymouth; and Linda L. and Fred Holdeman, Lakeville.

Her brothers are Charles H. and Violet Wicks and David J. Wicks, all of Plymouth.

Several nieces and nephews and their families survive as well.

Betty was preceded in death by her parents and by a brother, Robert D. Wicks.

Friends will be invited by the family to celebrate her life and share memories on Wednesday, January 10, 2007, from 10 to 11 a.m. in the New Oakhill Cemetery Chapel located on S. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services will follow visitation in the Chapel at 11 a.m.

Burial will be in the New Oakhill Cemetery.

Memorial gifts in Betty's memory may be made to the donor's choice.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family through the Web site of: johnson-danielson.com.

Mary I. Huggins  Date of Death 1/5/2007

WINONA LAKE — Mary I. Huggins, 70, of Winona Lake, died Friday, Jan. 5.

She is survived by her husband: Thomas Huggins, and two daughters: Donna and Rick Hackworth of Warsaw and Deb and Joe Cosgrove of Anderson; four grandchildren, one great-grandchild and one sister.

Visitation is from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. today in Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, 115 S. Main St., Bourbon.

A celebration of Mary’s life will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday in the funeral home with Rev. Carl Adams officiating.

Burial will be in Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Bourbon.

Memorial contributions can be made to the American Diabetes Association in her memory.

Charles L. Jones  Date of Death 1/5/2007

PLYMOUTH — Charles L. Jones, age 85, of 2000 Westgate Avenue, #101 A, Plymouth, passed away at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 5, 2007 at Miller's Merry Manor in Plymouth.

Charles was born on April 2, 1921 in Plymouth to Elzie and Valira (Palmer) Jones. On March 25, 1944, Charles and Roma G. Taylor were united in marriage in Crawford, Nebraska. Charles served his country in the United States Army during WWII. He worked in the construction field all of his life, and worked for Reese Construction for 25 years.

Charles is survived by his wife of, 62 years, Roma G. Jones, their daughters, Judi and Bill Xaver of Plymouth and Carol and Robert Yonn of Harlem, Ga.; four grandchildren; four great-grandchildren, and one more on the way; his sisters, Esther Klapp of Plymouth, Mary Smith of Millersburg, Hazel Strickler of Millersburg, Margaret Wolfinger of Millersburg, Barbara Bayse of Fort Wayne, and Betty Sullivan of Plymouth; and his brother, Harry R. Jones of Wallport, Ore.
Charles was preceded in death by his son, Steven Leroy Jones and his brother William H. Jones.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. at the VAN GILDER FUNERAL HOME, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, Ind., 46563 with Joann Boys officiating.

Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

A time of visiting and sharing memories with Charles’ family, will be Tuesday, from 4 to 8 p.m., at the Van Gilder Funeral Home.

The Jones family requests that memorial contributions be made, in Charles’ name, to the American Diabetes Association, Northwestern Indiana Local Association, 10872 Queen Road, Plymouth, IN, 46563.

Friends may sign the guest book and share their memories with the Jones family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com.

Marian Kintzel  Date of Death 1/5/2007

WAKARUSA — Marian Kintzel, 98, of Wakarusa, died Friday, Jan. 5.

She is survived by one daughter: Karen and Jim Wright of Thorntown, Ind.; one son: Craig Kintzel of Florida; one sister: Helen Watts of Columbia, S.C.; five grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be Tuesday from 4 to 8 p.m. at St. Paul’s Lutheran Church, Bremen.

Services will be Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. at St. Paul’s with Pastor Neil Wonnacutt officiating.

Burial will be in Bremen Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Sunshine Pod (Alzheimer’s Unit) at Miller’s Merry Manor, 300 N. Washington St., Wakarusa, IN 46573 or St. Paul’s Lutheran Church in Bremen.

Electronic condolences may be sent to the family via: www.mishlerfuneralhomes.com.

Jerry W. Pullins  Date of Death 1/5/2007

WALKERTON — Jerry W. Pullins, 33, of Walkerton, died Friday, Jan. 5.

He is survived by his mother and step-father, Lynn and Elson Barden of Walkerton; father, Joe Pullins of Rensselaer; one daughter, Kelsey of Knox; grandparents Beulah and Tom Dollahan of Walkerton; one step-brother, Eric Barden of Koontz Lake; and three step-sisters, Bridget Barden, Gina Green and Missy Knizner of Koontz Lake.

Visitation is today from 4 to 8 p.m. CST at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel.

Services will be Tuesday at 11 a.m. CST at the funeral home, with Pastor D.I. VanDyne officiating.

Burial will be in Memory Gardens of Rensselaer.

Violet Dempsey  Date of Death 1/6/2007

PLYMOUTH — Violet Dempsey, 90, of Plymouth, died on Saturday, Jan. 6, 2007 at 6 a.m. in Miller's Merry Manor, Plymouth.

She is survived by her daughter, Darlene M. Dempsey, and her son, Roger H. Story, both of
Roger Doyle Treece  Date of Death 1/6/2007

CHURUBUSCO — Roger Doyle Treece, 68, a resident of Churubusco, died at 11:15 a.m.,
Saturday, Jan. 6, 2007 at The Oaks Living Center, Columbia City where he had been a resident
since July 2006.

He was born July 13, 1938 in Columbia City a son of Claude and Mary Alice (Reed) Treece. His
formative years were spent in Columbia City. He graduated from Columbia City High School in
1957.

On Feb. 18, 1958 he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps. He was honorably discharged

On Dec. 30, 1962 he was united in marriage to Betty H. Reimer. They made their home in
Tunker for a year, Thorn creek Township for over 20 years, Columbia City for three years and
Smith Township for five years. In December 1994 they moved to Boynton Beach, Florida until
June 2000 when they moved to their home in Churubusco.

He was employed at Auer Oil Company for several years, was a truck driver for Columbia
Freight Lines and later Bohn Trucking, worked for Magnavox 12 years and was a security guard
in a residential subdivision in Florida.

His memberships include Faith Lutheran Church in Churubusco, Eagles #1906, V.F.W. #5582
and Leatherneck Coffee Club.

Surviving relatives include his wife, Betty; a daughter, Kathy (David) Steiss of Columbia City; two
grandsons, Andrew DeWitt and Mitchell DeWitt; three step grandchildren; two brothers, Anthony
(Helen) Treece and Charles (Barbara) Treece, both of Columbia City; and two sisters, Beverly
(Paul) Chappel of Columbia City and Margaret (Elmer) Schrock of Ransom, Kan.

The funeral service will be held at 10:30 a.m., Thursday, January 11, 2007 at Smith & Sons
Funeral Home, Columbia City with Rev. Lane Burgland, pastor of Faith Lutheran Church,
officiating. The visitation will be from 2 to 4 and 5 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

The burial will be in Eberhard Cemetery with military honors presented.

For those who wish, memorials may be made to the Faith Lutheran Church, Leatherneck Coffee
Club or Parkview Home Health & Hospice.

Condolences may be sent to www.smithandsonsfuneralhome.com.

Floy Marie Mayer  Date of Death 1/8/2007

PLYMOUTH — Floy Marie Mayer, 83, of 805 Baker St., Lot 73, died of natural causes at 6:04
a.m. on Monday, Jan. 8, 2007, in the Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Born in Hillsboro, Ill., the daughter of Eury B. and Floy Belle Cannon Strange on Aug. 7, 1923,
Floy graduated from Hillsboro High School with the class of 1941.

On Feb. 21, 1943, she and Charles J. “Chop” Mayer were married in Hillsboro.

Later, he and Floy, lived in Saginaw, Mich., the national headquarters of Wickes Corp, where
Chop worked in the electrical and heating division. The Mayers, still with Wickes, moved to
Plymouth in 1972. In 1980 they bought Delp Electric and opened Mayer Plumbing and Heating, operating the business for more than 14 years.

Floy was an excellent bridge player and she enjoyed that game as well as many others. A great cook, she was also a skilled seamstress. She helped to edit her son John’s books and learned — late in life — to master the computer.

She is survived by “Chop,” her husband of nearly 64 years and by their daughter, Barbara J. Way of Saginaw, Mich.

A sister, Jeri Landholt of Plymouth and a grandson Jason Way together with his girlfriend, Heather Hubbard, of Los Angeles, Calif.; granddaughter, Mandy Patterson and her husband Nick of Saginaw, Mich. and Loretta Strange, a sister-in-law, of Chattanooga, Tenn., also survive.

Floy was preceded in death by her son, John R. Mayer; a son-in-law, John M. Way; a brother and sister-in-law, Reginald and Margaret Strange; a brother, Elston Strange; and a brother-in-law, H. Byron Landholt.

Friends will be welcomed to celebrate the life of Floy Mayer with her family on Thursday, Jan. 11, 2007, from 10 a.m. to noon at the First Presbyterian Church, 401 N. Walnut St., Plymouth.

A memorial service for Floy will follow visitation at noon in the church where she was a longtime member. The Rev. Paul Nye, pastor of the church, will officiate.

Memorial gifts in Floy's name may be made to the First Presbyterian Church.

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

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family through the funeral home’s Web site: johnson-danielson.com

**Harold Wayne Price  Date of Death 1/8/2007**

PLYMOUTH — Harold Wayne Price, a lifetime resident of Plymouth, living at 11821 7B Rd. since 1960, became ill at home and died suddenly of natural causes in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth, at 6:40 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 8, 2007. He was 86 years old.

Harold was born in Plymouth on Feb. 21, 1920, the son of Walter E. and Irene V. Trease Price. Following the death of his mother at the age of 2, he was raised by his stepmother Iris Jacoby Price.

He was a graduate of Plymouth’s Lincoln High School, class of 1938

Harold served in World War II, with the Pacific Headquarters of the Air Transport Command, Division of the Air Force. He was active duty from Jan. 1943 - Feb. 1946 as a Staff Sergeant. He was stationed at Hickam Field, next to Pearl Harbor.

On Aug. 30, 1941, Harold and Regina E. Emenaker were married in Plymouth. Regina died on September 23, 1999. In their 58 years together, the couple were happily married and vastly supportive of one another.

Harold worked for Ball Band in Mishawaka and Studebaker of South Bend. He was manager of the Walter Price Abattoir for many years and was known for his honesty and reserved manner of providing customer service.

He was a member of the American Legion Post 27 and a member of the Indiana Meat Packers Association who had served on the Board of Directors.
Always a proud father and grandfather, he was never happier than when the family was together having fun.

Harold is survived by a son and daughter-in-law, James W. and Sue Price of Argos, and by their children: granddaughters, Angela A. and Kristen M. Price, Plymouth; Ronda D. Leffert, Sunbury, Pennsylvania; Melinda J. and John Erdley, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, and their children, Heather Leffert and Troy Erdley.

Also surviving is his daughter and son-in-law and their families, Jean A. and Dean Lemler, Bluffton, Indiana. Their children are grandsons: David W. and Suzanne Lemler, Indianapolis, Indiana; Jeffery D. and Jamie Lemler, Bluffton, Indiana; Kevin R. and Tracy Lemler with children: Courtney, Kirtlynn and Samantha Lemler all of Liberty Center, Indiana; and Mark E. and Maria Lemler, Uniondale, Indiana.

Numerous nieces and nephews survive as well, together with a brother-in-law, Dr. John Bottorff, Sr. Plymouth, and Maxine Myers, a sister-in-law, also of Plymouth.

Friends are invited to celebrate the life of Harold Price with his family on Thursday, January 11, 2007, from 4 to 8 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth. Visitation will continue after 7 a.m. on Friday until time of services, with the family present one hour prior to the service.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 12, 2007, in the funeral home. The Rev. Charles Krieg, pastor of the Salem United Methodist Church, Bremen, will officiate.

Interment will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in memory of Harold may be made to St. Michael's Catholic School.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family through the Web site: johnson-danielson.com

Georgie Robert Francis (Lee) Baldwin  Date of Death 1/9/2007

CULVER — George Robert Francis (Lee) Baldwin, 75, of Culver, died at 2:35 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 9 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

He is survived by a son, Michael Baldwin of Wheeling, Ill.; daughter, Kirsti San (Gary) Trecker of Lake Zurich, Ill.; four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Friday, Jan. 12 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver.

Funeral services are Saturday, Jan. 13 at 11 a.m. at St. Mary of the Lake Catholic Church, Culver.

Burial will be at the Culver Masonic Cemetery.

Memorials may be given to a charity of the donor's choice.

Paul Baughman  Date of Death 1/9/2007

WALKERTON — Paul Baughman, 80, of Walkerton, died on Tuesday, Jan. 9 at home.

He is survived by his wife, Patricia (Pat); daughters: Pamela Adkins and Paula (Jerry) Skorup, both of Walkerton; sister, Betty (LaMar) Metcalf of Plymouth; brother, Eugene (Pauline) Baughman of Plymouth and Glen Baughman of South Bend; three grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.
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Visitation is Friday, Jan. 12 from 5 to 8 p.m. and Saturday, Jan. 13 from 10 to 10:30 a.m. at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel.

Funeral services are Saturday, Jan. 13 at 11 a.m. at St. Patrick’s Church, Walkerton.

Burial will be at Woodlawn Cemetery, Walkerton, with military graveside services conducted by the American Legion Post #189.

Memorials may be made to the Center for Hospice & Palliative Care.

Vera V. Hummel  Date of Death 1/9/2007

BREMEN — Vera V. Hummel, 94, of Bremen, died at 12:38 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 9 at home.

She is survived by daughters: Charlene F. (Tom) Guyse of Bremen and Shirley A. (Anthony) Schalliol of Wyatt; six grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Friday, Jan. 12 from 2 to 8 p.m. at the Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen.

Funeral services are Saturday, Jan. 13 at 10:30 a.m. at Salem United Methodist Church, Bremen.

Burial will be in the Bremen Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer’s Association or Salem United Methodist Church of Bremen.

Anna D. Patrick  Date of Death 1/9/2007

MONTEREY — Anna D. Patrick, 91, of Monterey, died on Tuesday, Jan. 9 at home.

She is survived by her children: Arlene (James) Fleury of Monterey, Stanley S. (Verlie) Patrick of Columbia, S.C. and Phyllis A. Patrick of Monterey; four grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Thursday, Jan. 11 from 2 to 8 p.m. at M.C. Smith Funeral Home, Knox.

A funeral mass will be held Friday, Jan. 12 at 10 a.m. at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church.

Burial will be at St. Anne Cemetery, Monterey.

Jeanette E. Russo  Date of Death 1/9/2007

PLYMOUTH — Jeannette E. Russo, 68, of Plymouth, died on Tuesday, Jan. 9 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

She is survived by a sister, Dorothy Nicholas of Des Plaines, Ill.; brother, John Russo of Des Plaines, Ill.; and friend, Cindy Procter of Plymouth.

Visitation is Friday, Jan. 12 from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth.

Funeral services are Friday, Jan. 12 at 6 p.m. at the funeral home.

Memorials may be given to a charity of the donor’s choice.

Allene "Chris" Stubblefield  Date of Death 1/9/2007
CULVER — Allene "Chris" Stubblefield, 70, of Culver, beloved daughter, wife, mother and grandmother passed away Jan. 9, 2007. She was the daughter of longtime Culver residents Werner and Ida Carlson who have preceded her in death.

She is survived by her husband Frank M. Stubblefield Jr.; her sons: Frank M. Stubblefield III, Werner W. (Susan) Stubblefield and John P. (Michele) Stubblefield; and her daughter, Kathleen S. (John) Sweeney. She is also survived by two grandsons: William - May "Bo" Stubblefield and J.W.C. "Sam" Stubblefield and two granddaughters: Madalyn Stubblefield and Gabrielle Stubblefield.

Chris was an active volunteer in the Culver community and Culver Academies.

In lieu of flowers offerings to celebrate the life of Chris Stubblefield may be made to Culver Club of Culver Cabin Fund, c/o Dan Osborn, 1111 West Shore Dr., Culver, IN 46511, or St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church c/o Judi Dodge, 751 East Shore Dr., Culver, IN 46511.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, Jan. 11, 2007 from 2 to 2:30 p.m. at the Culver Academies Memorial Chapel where services will then be conducted by Rev. Tom Steffen, Susan Haynes, and Margie Shaw. Burial will follow at Culver Masonic Cemetery.

Letters of condolence may be sent via the obituary page of www.bonineodom.com.

Frederick A. Williams  Date of Death 1/9/2007

WALKERTON — Fredrick A. “Fred” Williams, a lifetime area resident living on Thorn Road, Walkerton, died unexpectedly from an apparent heart attack at 8:40 a.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 9, 2007. Fred, 59, died in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Born in Plymouth on Oct. 25, 1947, Fred was the son of Raymond and Arlene Brown Williams. He attended Walkerton schools.

He was a Vietnam War veteran, serving in the United States Army.

On Dec. 29, 1972, in Plymouth, Fred and Janice L. Erickson were married.

Fred worked for 26 years in Mishawaka as a carpenter for Gibson and Lewis Corp.

He was known to love his family and his children and enjoyed working on his mini farm. Fred was a “piddler.” He loved to help people and to share his skills and teach people how to do things right.

An outdoorsman, he was a fisherman and a skeet shooter. He was a coach for the Hoosier Gun Swingers, a children’s group that he taught how to skeet shoot.

A member of the National Rifle Association, he was active in the V.F.W. Post 1954, North Liberty, the American Legion and AmVets of Ohio.

Fred is survived by his wife, Janice, Walkerton, and by their daughter and two sons.

Their daughter Beth Ann Erickson and her friend Margo Boswell, live in Tyner. His sons are Skip and Lisa Erickson, Tyner, and Jeff and Susan Erickson, Mishawaka.

Nine grandchildren: Tony, Bobby, Brandon, Andrew, Nicole, Paris, P.J., Vinnie, Alex and many more adopted kids and grandchildren survive his death.

Three brothers and three sisters also survive. They are brothers: Wayne and Elaine Williams, Tyner, Glendon and Linda Williams, Plymouth and Paul and Cathy Williams, Angus Valley, Fla.
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His sisters are Kathy and Don Keller, Zephyrhills, Fla., Diane Sobeck, Kissimmee, Fla. and Sharon Williams, Walkerton.

An aunt, Lavon and Ray Lange of Rolling Prairie and his mother-in-law, Donna Huffer of Tyner, also survive.

Fred was preceded in death by his parents.

Friends are invited to share memories with Fred’s family in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, on Saturday, Jan. 13, 2007, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Graveside services for Fred will be held after visitation in the Tyner Cemetery, Tyner, where North Liberty V.F.W. Post 1954 will provide military honors.

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

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family through the funeral home’s Web site: johnson-danielson.com

Vernon "Pete" Berg  Date of Death 1/10/2007

HAMLET — Vernon "Pete" Berg, 69, of Hamlet, died on Wednesday, Jan. 10 at home.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret “Peggy” Berg; daughter, Veronica Labonte of Portage; sons: Vernon of Illinois and Leo of Hamlet; sisters: Helen Stone of Orland Park, Ill., Janice Elerson of Ohio, Betsy King of Knox and Mary Aquino of Hamlet; brothers: Wayne of Walkerton, Edward of Ohio, Ted of Texas and David and Daniel, both of Knox; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Friday, Jan. 12 from 3 to 8 p.m CST at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel and Saturday two hours before services at the church.

Funeral services are Saturday, Jan. 13 at 1 p.m. CST at St. Matthew Church, Hamlet.

Burial will be at Fletcher Cemetery, Hamlet.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, Premier Hospice or the church.

Louis Peter Dlugosz  Date of Death 1/10/2007

DONALDSON — Louis Peter Dlugosz, 86, of Donaldson, died on Wednesday, Jan. 10 at the Catherine Kasper Home at Ancilla.

He is survived by his wife, Estelle.

Visitation is Friday, Jan. 12 from 4:30 to 8 p.m. at Catherine Kasper Home Chapel at Ancilla. A funeral mass will be Saturday, Jan. 13 at 11 a.m. at the chapel.

Burial will take place at Crown Hill Cemetery, Knox.

M.C. Smith Funeral Home, Knox, is in charge of arrangements.

Sister Frances Herumin  Date of Death 1/10/2007

DONALDSON — Sr. Frances Herumin PHJC, 92, of Donaldson, died on Wednesday, Jan. 10 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

She is survived by a sister, Cecilia Augustyniak of Greendale, Wis.
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Visitation is Sunday, Jan. 14 from 4:30 to 9 p.m. at the Catherine Kasper Home Chapel, Donaldson, with a rosary at 7 p.m.

Funeral services are Monday, Jan. 15 at 11 a.m. at the chapel.

Burial will be at Mount Carmel Cemetery, Donaldson.

Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, is in charge of arrangements.

Mary H. (Hoel) Olin  Date of Death 1/10/2007

ARGOS — Mary H. (Hoel) Olin, 11982 S.R. 10, recently of Miller’s Merry Manor in Plymouth, passed away peacefully with her family present.

Mary was a very loving wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, who loved to do needlework and travel with family.

She was married at the Congregational Christian Church in South Bend to Kenneth Reed Olin on Dec. 21, 1940. Kenneth preceded her on Oct. 25, 2005.

Mary was the eldest child of Edgar Lee and Esther Grube (Hoel) Farmer born in South Bend. She attended school in South Bend where she graduated from Washington Clay High School in 1939.

Survivors include one daughter, Marjorie Ann Olin (Dan) Snider; one son, Kenneth Lee (Barbara) Olin; two grandchildren: Russell Eric Olin Snider and Amy Marie Olin; three great-grandchildren: RJ, Caleb and Johanna Christine Rose Snider; and one brother, William Hoel of Camden, Mich. She was preceded in death by one grandson, Brian Daniel Snider and her brother, Edgar Lee Hoel.

Mary always held her family as her top priority. She supported her husband Kenneth through his master’s degree in education and his principal’s and superintendent’s license. She was a homemaker and was always there for her children, making them clothes and supporting their school and church activities. As an adult, she was active and a lifetime member of the Methodist Church in Leiters Ford and Argos.

Mary Olin’s strongest talent was her sewing and her needlework. She was an excellent seamstress and made many clothes for her family including her in-laws, grandchildren and neighbors that were in need. She made altar cloths for the Argos United Methodist Church and many table runners and doilies for family and friends. Her top achievement was a Hardanger piece that a friend talked her into entering in the Indiana State Fair. She won a blue ribbon and grand champion. She was surprised and proud.

She was a member of the Argos United Methodist Church where she sang in the choir with her husband. She was in the Eastern Star and she and Ken supported many community activities.

Mary loved to go on camping trips with her husband and children each summer. She made friends easily and loved the camping atmosphere. After Ken retired they enjoyed traveling with their GMC truck and Jayco camper all over North America. They were often joined by family and friends and spent three or four months each winter traveling to Texas, Arizona and California.

Visitation and memories may be shared at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home from 2 to 4 p.m. and from 6 to 8 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 12. Her funeral will be held on Saturday, Jan. 13 at the Argos United Methodist Church at 11 a.m. with Rev. Robert Vale officiating.

Visitation will also be from 10 to 10:50 a.m. prior to the service. Burial will be in the New Oak Hill Cemetery in Plymouth.
In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Argos United Methodist Church (building fund), Marshall County Center for Hospice & Palliative Care or the American Cancer Society.

**Robin Kay Pogue  Date of Death 1/10/2007**

PLYMOUTH — Robin Kay Pogue, 40, died at 1:00 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 10, 2007 at the Life Care Center of Rochester.

Robin was born in Plymouth on Dec. 21, 1966 to Eugene S. and Barbara J. (Ross) Mangun. On Sept. 10, 1988 Robin and Karl P. Pogue were united in marriage.

Robin was a long time employee at Indiana Heat in Plymouth. She enjoyed crafts, reading, playing pool, and fishing, she had many various interests.

Survivors include her husband Karl P. Pogue, her two daughters Sierra Pogue and Ecilra Shotts and son Karl “Paulie” Pogue; one grandson, Justus Shotts; her mother, Barbara Ross-Mangun, all of Plymouth; three brothers: Lance Mangun of Clayton, Mich., Ross Mangun of Plymouth and Vince Mangun of Indianapolis; a grandmother, Arlene Ross of North Liberty; her mother-in-law, Esther Rylands of Peru; and two brother-in-laws: Danny and Sue Tyler with their children of Peru, and Kurt and Karen Pogue with their children of Lafayette.

She was preceded in death by her father Eugene S. Mangun, a grandmother Clara Mangun and a grandfather Worth Ross.

Friends are invited to share memories and celebrate the life of Robin Pogue, with her family on Friday, Jan. 19, 2007 from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth. There will be no other services.

Memorial contribution may be made to the charity of the donor’s choice.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family on the funeral home’s Web page: www.johnson-danielson.com

Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home is handling arrangements.

**Donald Rockne, Sr. Ralph  Date of Death 1/10/2007**

PLYMOUTH — Donald Rockne Ralph Sr., 75, of Plymouth, died on Wednesday, Jan. 10 at Heritage Health Care Center, West Lafayette.

He is survived by his daughters: Loretta J. Ralph of Hobart and Donna (George) Climer of Colorado; sons: Donald R. (Tracy) Ralph Jr. of Battleground and Kevin Ralph of Grayslake, Ill.; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

No services are scheduled at this time.

Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, is handling the arrangements.

**Alice M. Rankin  Date of Death 1/10/2007**

PLYMOUTH — Alice M. Rankin, 89, of 814 North Walnut St., Plymouth, passed away at 1 a.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 10, 2007, at Miller’s Merry Manor in Plymouth.

Alice was born on Dec. 3, 1917 in Ontario, Ind., to Albert and Charity (Shaw) Cain. On Oct. 19, 1935 Alice married Cecil Rankin. Together they raised their daughter, Dorothy. They lived most their lives in the Marshall County area. Alice worked for Mecks Engineering, Edgerton’s Basket
Alice was a member of the Moose and V.F.W. Ladies Auxiliary of Plymouth. She enjoyed mixed bowling and playing cards with her friends.

Alice is survived by her husband, of 71 years, Cecil Rankin; their daughter, Dorothy and Bill Doczy of Plymouth; two grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by four sisters.

Funeral services for Alice will be on Saturday, Jan. 13, 2007 at 1:00 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison St., Plymouth. Burial will take place in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth, at a later date.

A time of visiting and sharing memories with Alice’s family will be at noon on Saturday until the time of the service at 1 p.m.

The Rankin family requests that memorial contributions be made to the Alzheimer’s Association, P.O. Box 4204, South Bend, IN 46601.

Friends and family are invited to sign the guest book and share memories with the family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com

Jeannette L. Strait  Date of Death 1/10/2007

BOURBON — Mrs. Jeannette L. Strait a resident of 15961 Cedar Road, Bourbon, passed away on Jan. 10, 2007 while wintering in Texas with her husband.

Jan was born April 13, 1937, the daughter of Ignatz Uhrie and Louise Sprague Uhrie at Battle Creek, Mich.

Jan was united in marriage on June 11,1960 to Dr. Richard Strait who survives of Bourbon. She is also survived by her two sisters; Elizabeth Stobbe and Margaret Higgins and her brother, Laurence Uhrie.

A memorial service is planned for 3:30 p.m. on Sunday, June 10, at her home of 15961 Cedar Road with Rev. Mark Day of the Bourbon First United Methodist Church officiating. An open time of visitation will be from 2 to 5 P p.m. before the memorial services also at her home.

Final internment will be in the Culver Masonic Cemetery at Culver.

Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home of Bourbon is assisting with the arrangements.

Larry A. Sheaks  Date of Death 1/12/2007

BOURBON — Larry A. Sheaks, 65, of Bourbon, died Friday, Jan. 12, in Winter Haven Hospital, Winter Haven, Fla.

He is survived by his wife, Sharon Mae Stine Mason; one son, Derek Sheaks of Texas; four step-children, Johnny Mason of Lincoln, Neb., Jenny and Jim Reichert, Jami and Todd McIntyre and Jan and Jerry Ulmer, all of Bourbon; 16 step-grandchildren and 18 step-great-grandchildren.

Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, 115 S. Main St., Bourbon, and for one hour prior to services.

Services are at 2 p.m. Thursday in the Bourbon First United Methodist Church, 204 N. Washington St., Bourbon, with Rev. Mark Day officiating.

Burial will follow in Parks Cemetery, Bourbon, with military burial rites by the Bourbon American

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Services are at 2 p.m. Thursday in the Bourbon First United Methodist Church, 204 N. Washington St., Bourbon, with Rev. Mark Day officiating.

Burial will follow in Parks Cemetery, Bourbon, with military burial rites by the Bourbon American
Memorial contributions may be made to the Bourbon First United Methodist Church Camp Fund in his memory.

Grace H. Dinkledine  Date of Death 1/13/2007

BOURBON — Grace H. Dinkledine, 100, of 403 N. Bourbon St., Bourbon, passed away at 10:30 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 13 in Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw.

Grace was born Oct. 29, 1906 in Marshall County (Twin Lakes area), the daughter of Clint Holem and Margaret Botorff Holem. She grew up in the Plymouth area until she married then she moved to Bourbon. Grace was a graduate of Plymouth High School with the Class of 1925. She then began her career as a bank teller where she worked for the next 76 years. She first worked in the Plymouth area and then for the past 58 years for the First State Bank of Bourbon until she retired in 1998. She loved her family and friends that included her Ladies Go & Grow group at her church and the Just So Club. She also loved to knit. Grace was a faithful member of the Bourbon First United Methodist Church.

Grace was married Nov. 13, 1930 to Ivo Dinkledine. He passed away Oct. 18, 1970.

She is survived by her daughter, Jean Ann (Phil) Dennie of Bourbon; two grandchildren: Kathy (Jim) Press of Kouts and Mike (Donna) Dennie of Bourbon; four great-grandchildren; four step great-grandchildren; and one step great-great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by two sisters: Bernice Methia and Marcile Born and a brother, L.J. Holem.

A celebration of Grace’s life will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 17 in the Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, 115 S. Main St., Bourbon with Rev. Mark Cottrill officiating.

The family will receive friends from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday in the Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home.

Burial will follow in the Parks Cemetery, Bourbon.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Bourbon First United Methodist Church in her memory.

Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home is in charge of local arrangements.

Jesse C. Hartung  Date of Death 1/13/2007

BOURBON — Jesse C. Hartung, 68, 7050 Lincoln Highway, Bourbon, passed away Saturday, Jan. 13, 2007 at 6:58 p.m. at Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw.

Jesse was born on April 6, 1938 in Plymouth, to Clyde and Helen (Long) Hartung. On Nov. 14, 1975 Jesse and Jane (Bocko) Athans were married.

Jesse was a graduate of Plymouth High School in the Class of 1957. He worked for the Local Finance Company in Plymouth. He then went to Monticello and was the manager of the Local Finance Company in Monticello. In 1966 he joined the Marshall County Sherriff’s Department. He retired as a detective in 1977. Jesse and Jane then purchased the Red Door Restaurant in Bourbon. After they sold the restaurant, Jesse went to work for Explorer Vans in Warsaw. Jesse was the inventor and patent owner of the Windstream Deflector.

Jesse was a member of the Tippecanoe I.O.O.F., Plymouth Kilwinning Lodge #149, a 32nd Degree Mason, Plymouth Moose Lodge #741 and also belonged to the Mizpah Shrine of Fort Wayne.
Jesse loved to fish, play cards, travel, and was always willing to lend a helping hand to adults, as well as children.

Jesse is survived by his wife, Jane Hartung; his son, James A. Hartung of Panama City, Fla.; his grandsons: Joel Ryan Hartung at the Culver Academy and Aaron Matthew Hartung of Plymouth; and his sister and brother-in-law Lois and Norris Krathwohl of Plymouth.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday at 2 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Bourbon with the Rev. Mark Day officiating. Burial will be in Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Bourbon.

Visitation will be Friday from 2 to 8 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison St., Plymouth and on Saturday, from 1 to 2 p.m. at the church, prior to the funeral. A Masonic Service will be held at 8 p.m. on Friday at the funeral home.

The Hartung family would like for memorial contributions to be given to any Shriners Hospital for Children. Their main office address is: 2900 Rocky Point Drive, Tampa, FL 33607. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home for donations.

Family and friends may sign the guest book and share memories with Jesse’s family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com

Ardella Paulsen  Date of Death 1/13/2007

Ardella (Del) Paulsen passed away on Saturday, Jan. 13 at 9:20 p.m. in Houston Hospice as a result of lung cancer. She was born on March 20, 1925 to Charles and Aletha Alberding. Del was married to Thomas Paulsen, her high school sweetheart, for 55 years until his death in 2002.

Surviving family members include: daughters: Beverly (Marc) Santicola and Connie (Hank) Bailey; grandsons: Tom (Ann) Howard and Scott (Diana) Howard ;and great-grandchildren: Brant, Mackenzie, Samantha and Marisa Howard. Other surviving family members include: brother, Kenneth (Marian) Alberding; sisters-in-law: Nina Alberding, Barbara (Wilbur) Hucker and Sue Paulsen; and brother-in-law Emil (Dorothy) Smolek.

Del began her working career at the San Pierre Post Office, then worked on the farm with Tom, owned and operated Tom’s Grocery at Bass Lake, and spent the last 20 years in an elected position as North Bend Township Trustee. Del was a lifetime resident of Starke County and member of St. Luke’s United Church of Christ in San Pierre, as well as a founding member of the Center for Rural Outreach and Public Service, Inc. (CROPS). Any memorial gifts for Del can be made to CROPS so that her legacy will live on.

Funeral arrangements include a viewing on Wednesday evening at Bramen & Bailey Funeral Home in North Judson, a funeral service at St. Luke’s United Church of Christ on Thursday led by the Reverend’s Lary Sakel and Richard Holtz, and burial at the cemetery in San Pierre.

Ralph O. Pletcher  Date of Death 1/13/2007

EDWARDSBURG, Mich. — Rev. Ralph O. Pletcher, 85, of Edwardsburg, Mich., died at 10:15 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 13 at his son’s home.

He is survived by his children: Ronald (Sharon) Pletcher and Darlene (Paul) Ferry, both of Edwardsburg, Mich., Philip Pletcher of Grand Rapids, Mich., Pam (Jerry) Lingle of Niles, Mich.; 16 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; sister, Naomi Crow of Plymouth; brothers: Gene Pletcher and Russell Pletcher, both of South Bend and Willard Pletcher of Argos.

Visitation was held Wednesday from 3 to 5 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. at Coulter’s Chapel Church of God, Niles, Mich.
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Funeral services will be Thursday, Jan. 18 at 1 p.m. at the church. Burial will follow at the Silverbrook Cemetery, Niles, Mich., where military rites will be provided by the American Legion Post #51.

Memorials may be made to Children’s International Lifeline, 16106 Brookwood Dr., Buchanan, MI 49107 or to Hospice at Home.

Halbritter Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Patricia L. Reed  Date of Death 1/13/2007

BOURBON — Patricia L. Reed, 69, of 200 Florence St., #15, Bourbon, died at 10:10 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 13, 2007, at Community Hospital of Bremen.

She is survived by her daughter, Susan (Brian) Brown of Plymouth and her brother, Ron Barber of Kentucky.

No visitation or services will be held.

Memorial contributions be made to her family to help with the cost of a burial marker.

Van Gilder Funeral Home, Plymouth, has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Raymond R. Niksch  Date of Death 1/14/2007

PORTAGE — Raymond R. Niksch, 79, of Portage, passed away Sunday, Jan. 14 surrounded by his loving family. Ray was born Nov. 5, 1927 to Herman and Anna (Graf) Niksch. Ray had been a longtime resident of Portage and Wheeler and resided in Plymouth from 1989 to 1999. He had been a lifelong farmer and a retired carpenter with 40 years of service. Ray also was a member of Carpenter local 1005. He was an active member of Trinity Lutheran Church and had served as a deacon and usher. Ray was a charter member and past member of the couples club. Ray was a U.S. Army veteran serving during the Korean War. He was a wonderful happy spirit and will be greatly missed by his family and friends. “You bet.” He has left this life to spend eternity with our heavenly father.

Memorial contributions are preferred to Trinity Lutheran Church, Hobart.

He is survived by his loving wife of 53 years, Nancy; five children: James (Rebecca) Niksch of Allenhurst, Ga., Julie (Maurice) Gipson of Indianapolis, Robert Niksch of Valparaiso, Ellen (Roger) France of Valparaiso and Laurie (John) Walsdorf of Hobart; 11 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and one sister, Rhoda (Earl) Benzer of Hobart.

He was preceded in death by two sisters: Roxie Blackman and Ruth Glova; two brothers: Robert Niksch and Ralph Niksch; and his parents, Herman and Anna Niksch.

The funeral service will be Thursday, Jan. 18 at 10:30 a.m. at Rees Funeral Home, 600 W. Old Ridge Rd., Hobart with Rev. Gary S. Nagy officiating. Burial will be at Graceland Cemetery. Visitation is Wednesday from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. at Rees Funeral Home, Hobart. (219) 942-2109 or www.reesfuneralhomes.com

Michael T., Sr. Raffin  Date of Death 1/14/2007

PLYMOUTH — Michael T. Raffin Sr., 58, of Plymouth, died on Sunday, Jan. 14 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

He is survived by his wife, Susan Raffin of Plymouth; daughters: Gina Marie Raffin of Clearwater, Fla. and Angela Lyn Raffin of Plymouth; son, Michael T. Raffin Jr. of Plymouth; one grandson; and a brother, Thomas G. Raffin of Minnesota.
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**Visitation is Friday, Jan. 19 from 10 a.m. to noon at St. Michael Catholic Church, Plymouth.**

Funeral services are Friday, Jan. 19 at noon at the church.

Burial will be at the St. Michael Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorials may be made to St. Michael School.

Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, is in charge of the arrangements.

**Robert Allen Curtis  Date of Death 1/15/2007**

CULVER — Robert (Bob) Allen Curtis, 68, of 225 Lakeview St., Culver passed away on Jan. 15 at 8 p.m. at his home surrounded by his loving family.

Bob was born on Feb. 25, 1938 in Plymouth to Maurice and Carrie (Kring) Curtis. He was a lifetime resident of the area. He married Nancy Hott-Smith on Jan. 11, 1979.

Bob graduated from Culver High School in 1956. He was a volunteer fireman in Culver for 20 year. Bob was a bricklayer and owned and operated his own trucking company. He drove for 43 years and retired from Frick Services. He was a 50-year member of the Maxinkuckee Odd Fellows Lodge.

Bob (Robbie) was blessed with five children, 11 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

In addition to his wife, Nancy, Bob is survived by his five children: Charles Curtis, Scott (Amy) Curtis and their sons Vance and Cameron Curtis, Shan (Doug) Farmer, Rory (Stephanie) Smith and their children Rhiannon, Jacob, Alex, Taylor, Jeb, and Maggie and great-grandchild - Mackenzie, Ryan (Jackie) Smith and children: Kristi, Keaton, and Kortney, one sister, Jean (Dave) Sisk, sister-in-law, Lois Curtis, niece, Amanda Curtis, nephews: Seth Curtis and Stuart Dennie; one aunt and several cousins. Extended family included Kent and Dawn Dickey-Thomas and children Jamie and Jenna Thomas, and Jeff and Shelli Dickey and children - Kylie, Kassie, and Karlie.

Preceding him in death were his parents, Maurice and Carrie Curtis and a brother, Warren Curtis

Visitation with the family will be held on Thursday, Jan 18, 2007 from 2 to 4 p.m. and 5 to 8 p.m. at the Bonine-Odom Funeral Home in Culver with an Oddfellows memorial service at 8 p.m. and from 1 to 2 p.m. on Friday at the church. Rev. Bryan Siefert and Alfie Salary will officiate services at 2 p.m. on Friday, Jan 19, 2007 at the Wesley United Methodist Church, 511 School St., Culver. Interment will follow at Culver Masonic Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be given to the Culver-Union Township Fire Dept., Maxinkuckee Odd Fellows Lodge, or the Southern Care Hospice, 310 West McKinley, 340, Mishawaka, IN 46545.

Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, is in charge of arrangements.

**Emma E. Dittrick  Date of Death 1/15/2007**

PLYMOUTH — Erma E. Dittrick, 93, of 635 Oak Hill Ave., Plymouth, passed away on Monday, Jan. 15, 2007, at 6:45 p.m. at Miller's Merry Manor in Plymouth.

Erma was born on May 9, 1913, in Union County, Ky., to George Wesley and Cynthia Elisa (Watson) Eads. On Dec. 26, 1929, Erma and Otis Dittrick were united in marriage. They lived most of their lives in the Marshall County area. Erma spent many hours as a den mother for the Cub Scouts, for her boys. She enjoyed ladies bowling, playing cards with her friends and belonging to the Old La Porte Road Homemakers Club. Erma was past Senior Regent and a 50-year member of the Plymouth Women of the Moose Lodge #1355. She had been employed at
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Bosworth’s, and retired from Dave and Ray’s Supermarket as a deli clerk.

Erma was a beloved and devoted wife to her husband, Otis. She was a loving and devoted mother to her sons, Daniel Dittrick of Plymouth and Dennis Dittrick of Indianapolis, who both survive. Also surviving are several nieces and nephews. Erma was preceded in death by her loving husband Otis, four sisters, and five brothers.

Funeral services will be Friday at 10:30 a.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison St., Plymouth with the Rev. Robert Schultz officiating. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

A time of visiting and sharing memories of Erma with her family, will be on Thursday, from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home.

The family requests that memorial contributions, in Erma’s name, be made to the Marshall County Cancer Society, Post Office Box 895, Plymouth, IN 46563, or to the Alzheimer’s Association, Post Office Box 4204, South Bend, IN 46601.

Friends may sign the guest book and share memories with the Dittrick family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com

Lois L. Osburn  Date of Death 1/15/2007

AKRON — Lois L. Osburn, 74, of 9355 South 1000 West, Akron, died at 9:45 a.m. on Monday, Jan. 15 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, South Bend. She was born in Marshall County on Feb. 25, 1932 to Carl and Hilda (Johnston) Blackburn. On Nov. 15, 1953 in Mentone, she married Robert A. Osburn, who survives.

She had worked at several area factories including Ristance in Mentone and Chamberlain Products in Akron. She attended the Gospel Hill Pentecostal Church in Silver Lake.

She is survived by her husband, Robert A. Osburn of Akron; two daughters: Sharon (Eddie) Sexton of Mentone and Carol Reed of Akron; sister, Juanita Scott of Bourbon; and a brother, Richard (Judy) Blackburn of Pierceton.

She was preceded in death by an infant brother.

Visitation is Wednesday, Jan. 17 from 2 to 8 p.m. at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone.

Funeral services are Thursday, Jan. 18 at 10:30 a.m. at Gospel Hill Pentecostal, 303 S. Jefferson St., Silver Lake, with Rev. Frank Whitaker officiating.

Burial will be at Harrison Center Cemetery, Etna Green.

Memorials may be made to Gospel Hill Pentecostal Church, the American Cancer Society or the National Kidney Foundation.

Donald Wayne Troxel  Date of Death 1/15/2007

WILMINGTON, Ill. — Donald Wayne Troxel, 80, of Wilmington, Ill., died on Monday, Jan. 15. He is survived by siblings: Helen Finger, Julaine Craig, Carolyn Ritchison, Richard Troxel and Merlin Troxel.

No services were held.

Burial was in Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery, Elwood, Ill.

Goodale Memorial Chapel, Lockport, Ill., was in charge of the arrangements.
Floyd W. "Skip" Badgley  Date of Death 1/16/2007

WESTVILLE — Floyd W. "Skip" Badgley, 57, of Westville, formerly of Walkerton, passed away at 10:15 a.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 16 at the LaPorte Hospital.

He is survived by his wife, Karen; stepdaughters: Kandie (Mark) Butler of LaPaz and Katrina (Norbert Schroeder) O'Connor of Westville; stepson, Andrew (Samantha) O'Connor of Bourbon; nine grandchildren; his father, Charles W. "Badge" Badgley of Fort Worth, Fla.; sister, Sandy (the late Pete) Bennett of Denver, Colo.; brother, Jeff (Ann) Badgley of Chattanooga, Tenn.; and his father and mother-in-law, Neil and Edna Downey of Walkerton.

Memorial services will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 20 at the Westville United Methodist Church, Westville. Friends may visit with the family one hour prior to services on Saturday at the church.

Memorials may be made to the National Parkinson's Foundation, 1501 Northwest 9th Avenue, Miami, FL 33136 or to the charity of the donor's choice.

Palmer Funeral Home, Lakeville, is assisting the family with arrangements.

Barry L. Fuchs  Date of Death 1/16/2007

LAPAZ — Barry L. Fuchs, 60, of LaPaz, died at 2:05 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 16 at home.

He is survived by his wife, JoAnn; a son, Brent Fuchs of Pennsylvania; a stepdaughter, Brenda Stiles of Plymouth; three stepsons: Jim Stone of Grovetown, Daniel Stone of Culver and Michael Stone of North Judson; eight grandchildren; two sisters: Linda Harbaugh and Dee Weaver, both of Bremen; and two brothers: Rickie Fuchs of South Bend and Dennis Fuchs of Knox.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Jan. 19 in the Palmer Funeral Home, 314 S. Michigan St., Lakeville. Burial will follow in Southlawn Cemetery, South Bend. Friends may visit with the family from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 18 in the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the charity of the donor's choice.

Lucille J. Graham  Date of Death 1/16/2007

Lucille J. Graham, 85, of Warsaw, formerly of Bourbon, died at 7:15 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 16 at Miller's Merry Manor.

She is survived by several nieces and nephews.

Visitation is Saturday, Jan. 27 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee.

Funeral services are Saturday, Jan. 27 at 2 p.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Hepton Union Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Nappanee Elder Haus or Hepton Union Church.

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She is survived by several nieces and nephews.

Visitation is Saturday, Jan. 27 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder
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Margaret L. Baughman  Date of Death 1/17/2007

ARGOS — Margaret L. Baughman, 86, of Argos, died at 6:20 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 17 at Hickory Creek of Rochester.

She is survived by daughters: Sharon (Gerald) Ringle of Argos and Beverly Howton of Rochester; sons: Ronald (Lynn) McGowen of Lancaster, Pa. and Danny McGowen of Argos'; 13 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; and a sister, Mildred (Bob) Craig of Dade City, Fla.

Visitation is Friday, Jan. 19 from 4 to 8 p.m. at Argos United Methodist Church or one hour prior to her service on Saturday in the church.

Funeral services are Saturday, Jan. 20 at 11 a.m. at the church.

Burial will be at Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos.

Memorials may be made to the Argos United Methodist Church.

Good Family Funeral Home is in charge of local arrangements.

Marjorie Hood  Date of Death 1/18/2007

TOMPKINSVILLE, Ky. — Marjorie Hood, 88, of Tompkinsville, Ky., formerly of Rochester, died at 4:03 a.m. on Thursday, Jan. 18 at Monroe County Medical Center, Tompkinsville, Ky.

She is survived by a daughter, Dorcia “Dottie” (Sock) Kistler of Mt. Herman, Ky.; son, Alden (Sue) Hood of Glasgow, Ky.; three grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and sister, Mary T. Whitehead of Tompkinsville, Ky.

Visitation is after 6 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 19 or one hour prior to services Saturday in the Yokley-Trible Funeral Home, Tompkinsville, Ky.

Funeral services are Saturday, Jan. 20 at 1 p.m. in the funeral home.

Burial will be at Bethlehem Cemetery, Tompkinsville, Ky.

Memorials may be made to the Mud Lick Fire Department, Tompkinsville, Ky.

Good Family Funeral Home is in charge of local arrangements.

Norma J. Kraszyk  Date of Death 1/18/2007

VALPARAISO — Norma J. Kraszyk, 72, of Valparaiso, died Thursday, Jan. 18, 2007.

Survivors include three children: Ben (Kari) Kraszyk of Plymouth, Paul (Sandra) Kraszyk of Munster and Tracie (Theodore) Milenkoff of Valparaiso; four grandchildren; and a brother, Paul Grake of Silver Springs, Md.

A funeral mass was held on Tuesday, Jan. 23 at 11 a.m. at Queen of Apostles Chapel at St. Paul Catholic Church with cremation to follow. Visitation was Monday, Jan. 22 from 4 to 8 p.m. at
Lovina Emily (Newman) Wesson  Date of Death 1/18/2007


Born Feb 9, 1914 in Culver, IN the daughter of John and May Newman, she was a 1932 graduate of Culver High School and held a General Business Degree from International Business College of Ft. Wayne. She married Oscar Wesson on Nov 9, 1940.

Lovina is survived by son: Charles Thomas (Nedra) of Goshen; daughter: Patricia Louise Reilly (James) of Deltona, Fla., grandson Shawn Wesson (Kathy) of Goshen, two granddaughters: Kathryn Wasson (Harold) of Middlebury and Emily St.Clair (Jason) of Deltona, Fla., three great granddaughters: Megan, Ashley, and Cheyenne Wesson, one great grandson: Patrick Reilly, one sister Helen Samuelson of Plymouth, one brother, Herbert Newman of Culver, as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by three brothers: Charles, Jesse, and Allen Newman.

She and her husband returned to Culver in 1947 to open a veterinary practice. She worked as business manager and veterinary assistant until their retirement in 1982.

Actively involved in the work of her church on the local, district, and conference level, she was a member of Grace United Church of Christ in Culver. She served as church secretary for over 35 years, was a member of the women's guild and served in many capacities in the church. In 1995 she was honored by Grace Church for her many years of service.

She planned lay retreats for the Northwest Association and served in leadership positions for the Northwest Association Women. She was the first elected president of the Women's Board of the Indiana Kentucky Conference of the United Church of Christ and served on the board until the late 1990's.

In 1985 she was honored at the General Synod of the United Church of Christ having been selected as one of the Lay Women of the Year.

She was the first site director for the Culver Nutrition Site and served as director until the site became full time.

She was a charter member of the Parkview Hospital Auxiliary (later St. Joseph Regional Medical Center of Marshall County). She served as first vice president and twice as president before becoming treasurer in 1979. She served in that position until 1999. The local unit met at her home for 43 years. In 1999 she was honored as Marshall Co. Hospital Auxiliary Volunteer of the year. In 2004, she was honored as Auxilian of the Year for Indiana's Midwest Region.

She was a member of Culver Lions Club and was among the first group of women to become full members of the group. She was honored by the Lions as Citizen of the Year in 1977, and received the Good Neighbor Award from the Eagles Auxiliary in 1988.

The family requests "Lovina Stories" from those who knew her to be preserved for her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. They can be recorded or written at the visitation or the
funeral.

Visitation with the family will be on Mon, Jan 22, 2007 from 5:00 - 9:00PM EST at the Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, and from 11:00AM - 12:00PM Tues Jan 23 at the Grace United Church of Christ, Culver where Rev. Robin Keating and Rev. James Reilly will then officiate funeral services at 12:00PM Tuesday. The Culver Lions Club will conduct a Lions memorial service at that time.

Memorials may be sent to Grace United Church of Christ, Culver, or to the Lovina Wesson Memorial Fund with the Indiana Kentucky Conference of the United Church of Christ, 1100 West 42nd Street, #350, Indianapolis, IN 46208

Condolences may be sent through the obituary page of www.bonineodom.com.

J. Kent, Dr. Guild Date of Death 1/21/2007

PLYMOUTH — Dr. J. Kent Guild, 75, passed away Sunday morning, Jan. 21, 2007, surrounded by family at home after battling leukemia.

Kent was born March 5, 1931, in Indianapolis to Merrill Daniel Guild and Lily Kent Guild of Fairland, Ind. He graduated from Fairland High School in 1949. He graduated from DePauw University magna cum laude in 1953 and graduated from Northwestern University School of Medicine in 1957.

At DePauw he was a member of Gold Key honorary and served as president of the Interfraternity Council and president of his fraternity, Delta Kappa Epsilon. While at DePauw he also won the heart of Judith Barnes Drompp. He and Judy were married on June 25, 1955, in Logansport, Ind.

While a medical student at Northwestern, Kent was elected National President of the Student American Medical Association in 1957. He served as a captain in the United States Air Force at Beale Air Force Base, Calif., from 1959 to 1961. He and Judy came to Plymouth in 1961.

Kent thoroughly enjoyed his career as a family practice physician. His practice began in 1961 with Dr. Louring Vore and Dr. Ronald Peterson at their offices at 116 E. Washington St. He estimated he delivered about 2,000 babies and observed a disproportionate share of them came at night.

He also made hundreds of house calls and personally dispensed medical care and compassion to thousands of patients. When he retired in 2000, he was delighted to turn his practice over to Dr. Joel Schumacher, Dr. Tod Stillson and Dr. Craig Miller. He was proud to help bring them to Plymouth and to entrust his patients to them.

Athletics were always an important part of Kent's life. As a youth, he enjoyed his father's passion for hunting and fishing. He also participated in basketball, softball, track & field, and baseball for Fairland High School. In basketball, he led the Hornets to a sectional victory defeating local powers such as Shelbyville and Columbus before losing in the regional finals to eventual state runner-up Madison. Kent followed family tradition and attended DePauw where he played varsity basketball three years for the Tigers. Highlights include scoring 21 points against Iowa and finishing his career with a 33 point output against rival Wabash. His DePauw career was recognized with his induction into DePauw's Athletic Hall of Fame in 2001.

Kent's passion for sports continued in Plymouth where he became team physician for Plymouth High School and a co-founder of the Plymouth Athletic Booster Club. The Plymouth High School Athletic Department honored Kent's 34 years of service by naming their new Athletic Training Center after him in 2006.

Physically fit throughout his life, Kent enjoyed many sports but mostly racquetball and golf as an
adult. He played golf often with many of his friends as a member of Plymouth Country Club. Kent had few regrets but one of them was never having a hole-in-one.

Kent was an active member of the Plymouth First United Methodist Church and served in a number of roles from Sunday School teacher to Lay Leader to representative to the Northern Indiana Annual Conference. As an active alumnus of DePauw, Kent served on the Alumni Board and the Board of Trustees. He served as the first chairman of the United Methodist Council of DePauw University. He served as physician on DePauw Winter Term medical mission trips to Conacaste, Guatemala and Puno, Peru.

Kent was active in his profession and in his community. Kent was a co-founder and the first president of the Marshall-Starke Development Center. He was past president of the Plymouth Hospital Medical Staff, Hospital Board of Trustees, the Marshall County Medical Association and the United Way. In 1966 he was recognized as one of five “Outstanding Young Men of Indiana” by the Jaycees. With Judy, he received the 2001 Community Spirit Award.

One of the things Kent enjoyed most was simply spending time with his family and grandchildren. This was especially true in the summertime which Kent and Judy spent at their cottage on Lake Maxinkuckee sailing, swimming and playing games such as dominos and cards with family members who would visit often.

Fundamentally, Kent had a positive attitude. He would frequently observe that he had a great life and was blessed. He often said he was “a lucky guy.” Even at the end, Kent chose to focus not on his disease but rather on his 75 very good years.

He is survived by wife Judith Drompp Guild and children John K. Guild, Jr. of Indianapolis and wife Dana; Anne Guild Adams of Indianapolis and husband Brian; Steven A. Guild of Athens, Georgia and wife Teri; and Sarah Guild Smith of Plymouth and husband Tim. Kent and Judy have 12 grandchildren: Emily Judith Adams (16), Laura Elizabeth Guild (14), Sarah Ruth Adams (12), J. Kent Guild III (12), Kevin Stuart Adams (11), Ellen Guild Smith (10), Curtis Guild Smith (8), Leah Guild Smith (6), Hugh Guild Smith (4), Kaitlyn Faith Guild (3), Allison Grace Guild (3), and David Allan Guild (1).

He is preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by two sisters: Mary Guild Lothamer of Canton, Ohio, and Susan Guild Trauba of Loomis, Calif. He is also survived by many nieces, nephews and extended family.

The community is invited to celebrate his life on Friday, Jan. 26 from 3 - 8 pm in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth. A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Sat. in the First United Methodist Church, 400 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, the Rev. Dr. Dean Fager, Pastor will officiate.

In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be made to St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth Campus or First United Methodist Church, c/o the Marshall Co. Community Foundation Fund, 2701 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, IN 46563 Envelopes will be available at the funeral home or church.

Condolences may be sent to the family through the Web site: johnson-danielson.com.

**Gaylord E. Lunsford Date of Death 1/21/2007**

PLYMOUTH — Gaylord E. Lunsford, 710 E. LaPorte St., Plymouth, died of natural causes in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth, at 3:49 a.m. on Jan. 21, 2007. Gaylord was 74 years old.

He was born in South Bend on Dec, 16, 1932, the son of Harry R. and Wilma L. Koch Lunsford.

A high school graduate, he had two years of trade school. In the United States Navy, he served
his country in the Korean War. In the service for four years, he was honorably discharge as an MM3 on Jan. 14, 1957.

Later, Gaylord worked as a machine set-up mechanic for United Tech, retiring in 1982.

He is survived by his companion of 30 years, Nancy Mast, Plymouth, and her daughter, Carmen Guericke and her child, Amanda, Milford, Indiana, and her son Brent and Becky Mast, Plymouth, along with their children: Diana, Harlie and Laci Mast, all of Plymouth.

Friends will be welcomed to share memories of Gaylord’s life on Wednesday, Jan. 24, 2007, from 4 to 6 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services will be conducted by Darrell Cardwell, pastor of the North Salem Church of God where Gaylord was a member, at 6 p.m., following visitation.

Burial will be in the Richland Center Cemetery, Argos.

Memorial gifts in Gaylord’s memory may be made to the North Salem Church of God.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family via: www.johnson-danielson.com

Kent L. Schmeltz  Date of Death 1/21/2007

BREMEN — Kent L. Schmeltz, 49, of Bremen, passed away at Memorial Hospital in South Bend on Sunday, Jan. 21, 2007. He was born on Nov. 18, 1957 in Mishawaka to James L. and Ruth (Hill) Schmeltz.


A lifetime Bremen (St. Joseph County) resident, Kent was an electrician and a farmer. He graduated from Penn High School in 1976 and attended the Community Gospel Church in Bremen. Kent was a devoted father and loving husband. Everything he did, he did for his family. He supported his children through years of 4-H, soccer, basketball and track meets, games and practices, and all other endeavors. Nothing brought Kent more pleasure and pride than when he was attending his children’s events.

Along with his support for athletics, he will be remembered for his special companionship with his oldest son, Tyler. Kent will forever be remembered for his never-ending love for his family, loyalty, work ethic and above all, his integrity.

Survivors include his wife, Kimberly of Bremen; children: Tyler J., Ellen M., Erica L., Elaine K. and Stuart B., all at home; one brother, Gary (Wanda) Schmeltz of Bremen; one sister, Karen (Bradley) Sutter, of Barrington, Ill.; six nieces and two nephews.

Services will be held Thursday, Jan. 25, 2007, at 10:30 a.m. at the Community Gospel Church, 68893 State Road 331, Bremen, with Pastor Wyn Laidig officiating. Burial will follow at Resthaven Cemetery in Wakarusa. Visitation was on Wednesday, Jan. 24, 2007, from 12 to 2 p.m. and 4 to 8 p.m. at Community Gospel Church in Bremen.

Memorial contributions may be made to a college fund for the children of Kent Schmeltz.

Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen is assisting the family with arrangements. Please send the family a condolence at www.mishlerfuneralhomes.com

Fred Banks  Date of Death 1/22/2007

CULVER — Fred Banks, 91, of 625 College Ave., Culver, died at 9:50 a.m. on Jan. 22, 2007 at Miller’s Merry Manor, Culver.
He was born in Inwood on Oct. 27, 1915 to Owen and Florence M. (Deacon) Banks who had just moved near Culver in Union Township. On July 16, 1939 he married Edith P. Hatten of Culver.

Mr. Banks was involved in all aspects of the dairy business from milk production through home delivery. He started a milk route to the Silver Cup Bread Company in Nappanee in 1937 and Banks’ Dairy in Winamac in 1939. In the 1940s he worked several years for Sealtest’s Detroit Creamery in Michigan. In the 1950s he owned a dairy herd, and hauled can milk to Miller’s Dairy in Culver and bulk milk to Reliable Dairy in South Bend. In the 1960s and early 1970s he expanded his businesses to include many routes and a milk transfer station in Culver supplying bulk milk to the Borden Company in Hammond, the Kroger Company in Indianapolis, Ray’s Dairy in Logansport, Dixie Dairy in Michigan City, Hawthorn Melody Dairy in Plymouth and South Bend the Dean Milk Company in Rochester, and United Dairy Farmers in Cincinnati, Ohio. He sold his milk transport businesses in 1976.

After his wife Edith’s retirement in 1986, the couple moved to Port Richey, Fla., where they lived several years, returning to their Culver home each summer. Mr Banks sold the Florida properties and moved back to Culver in 2002.

Survivors include four children: Arthur Lamoin (Jean) Banks of Reston, Va., Randel E. (Gloria) Banks of Culver, Alan J. (Joan) Banks of Elkhart and Karen S. (Gregory) Easterday of Culver; one sibling, Lloyd (Theresa) Banks of Grand Rapids, Mich.; 12 grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife, Edith; a son, Richard D. Banks; and three brothers: Morris D Banks, Louis C. Banks and Harold O. Banks. He is also preceded in death by one grandson, Robert Evan Easterday, and twin great-grandchildren, Devin and Elizabeth Day.

Visitation will be held from 3 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 25, 2007 at the Bonine-Odom Funeral Home in Culver. The funeral service will be held at the Grace United Church of Christ at 11 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 26, 2007 with the Rev. Robin Keating officiating. Interment will take place in Zion Cemetery. The family suggests memorial contributions be made to the Center for Hospice & Palliative Care or Grace United Church of Christ.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family via the obituary page of www.bonineodom.co.

Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, is in charge of arrangements.

Wayne B. "Junior", Jr. Delong Date of Death 1/22/2007

BRYAN, Ohio — Wayne B. “Junior” DeLong, Jr., 64, of Bryan, Ohio, died Monday, January 22, 2007 at Community Hospitals & Wellness Centers, Bryan, Ohio. Born in Fort Wayne, he worked in construction for more than 41 years, working for the former Indiana Construction Co., Buesching Brothers Construction and Mason Engineering all of Fort Wayne. He was a member of St. Patrick Catholic Church, Bryan, Ohio and Carpenters Local #372 of Lima, Ohio.


There will be no visitation or services. Private burial Brown Cemetery, Bryan, Ohio.

Memorials may be made to Community Hospitals & Wellness Centers - Hospice Care, Bryan, Ohio.

James A. Jardine  Date of Death 1/22/2007

CULVER — James A. Jardine, 77, of Latonka Trail, Culver, died at 4:45 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 22, 2007, in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth. Jim had been an area resident since 1974, coming from West Chicago, Ill.

Born on June 30, 1929 in Madison Wis., Jim was a 1947 graduate of Madison West High School and went on to graduate from the University of Wisconsin with a Degree in Agricultural Engineering.

On Oct. 15, 1949, Jim and Sally Reif were married in Dubuque, Iowa. Sally preceded Jim in death on Sept. 1, 1984.

Jim worked as plant manager for Del Monte Foods for many years, retiring in 1989.

An excellent woodworker, Jim had a complete workshop at his house. He also enjoyed fishing, hunting, golfing and bowling.

Jim is survived by a son, James (Jeanne) Jardine of Oswego, Ill.; and five daughters: Laura (James) Wascher of Joliet, Ill., Sarah Drzemala of Monument, Colo.; Susan Hamman, Nancy (Gene) Wainscott and Jamie Jardine, all of Plymouth.

Also surviving are 13 grandchildren, a great-granddaughter and a sister, Muriel (Ron) Von Hatten of Texas.

Friends will be welcomed by the family to celebrate Jim’s life on Thursday, Jan. 25, 2007, from 5 to 8 p.m. and after 7 a.m. on Friday in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 26, 2007 in Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home. The Rev. Charles Krieg of the Salem United Methodist Church, Bremen, will officiate. Burial will follow in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts may be made to the family for a Memorial Tree to be planted in Jim’s name.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family via the web-site: www.johnson-danielson.com

Helen "Marie" Johanning  Date of Death 1/22/2007

PLYMOUTH — Helen “Marie” Johanning, 81, passed away Monday, Jan. 22, 2007 at 4:25 p.m. in Miller’s Merry Manor. Marie was born Jan. 15, 1926 in Benwood, W. Va. to Lyle S. and Mary Ellen (O’Connell) Morgan. Marie graduated from Central Catholic High School, Wheeling, W. Va. with the class of 1944.

She and her sister Geraldine Wendel, of Plymouth, were the two girls in a family with seven brothers. Four of Marie’s siblings survive her, including her sister, “Gerry”, and three brothers: Bob (Rita) Morgan, Paul Morgan, and Leo (Linda) Morgan who reside in Wheeling, W. Va. along with several nieces and nephews.

On Oct. 4, 1947 in Wheeling, Marie became the bride of James F. Johanning and shared 48 wonderful years together. Jim preceded in death on Sept. 15, 1995. Surviving are their four daughters and families: Mary Kay Davis and husband, Jack of Plymouth and children: J. Eric, Matthew, Krysta, Nate, Elizabeth and Kyle; Carol Buchanan and husband, Tom, of Plymouth and children: Megan and Shannon; Judy Vinall and husband, Jim, of Plymouth and son Adrian James; and Cindy Shivers and husband, Bruce, of Mason, Ohio and children: Morgan, Andy and MacKenzie. Sixteen great-grandchildren complete their loving family including Michael Noel Magee who also preceded in death.
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Marie and Jim Johanning moved their family from West Virginia to Plymouth in 1963, and began finding new friends, starting new traditions, while celebrating all the old as well. At the heart of Marie’s life was her family, and while she worked many interesting jobs in her lifetime including a favorite at The Divine Heart Seminary, her role as wife, mother, grandmother and friend is what defined her. Beginning their adventure in Plymouth, Marie and Jim met many friends through their daughters’ friends and through membership in St. Michael Roman Catholic church, where she became involved in the Altar Rosary Society. They loved a good time with family and friends, starting traditions like “Gourmet Club” with five other couples, where once a month one couple hosted dinner or the annual Morgan reunion in Wheeling, W. Va that still continues today — 36 years later! She did her best to give her family the best, whether it was watching a sick child home from school for a day or watching a toddler everyday so her daughter could finish her nursing degree. Marie passed this strong connection to family all the way to her great-grandchildren, who still celebrate her traditions with their extended cousins and great aunts and uncles. It is for these things Marie will be remembered most, and no Irish game will pass without a glass raised, and cheers to the woman who taught us the legacy of NOTRE DAME FOOTBALL!

Friends are invited to join the family in remembering the life of Marie on Sunday, Jan. 28, 2007 from 2 to 5 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St. Plymouth, where a Rosary will be said at 4:30 p.m. Sunday.


In lieu of flowers, Marie’s family would like donations to either St. Michael’s Church or the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, 112 S. Center St., Plymouth, IN 46563. The family extends a sincere thank you to these community groups for their supportive role in Marie’s life.

Letters of condolence and sharing of memories may be done through the Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com

Robert E. Kompare  Date of Death 1/22/2007

PLYMOUTH — Robert E. “Bob” Kompare, 55, of Plymouth, died on Monday, Jan. 22 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

He is survived by his wife, Ann M. Kompare of Plymouth; sons: Ryan E. Kompare of Koontz Lake and Daniel J. Kompare of Greenwood; sister, Deborah (Robert) Hillegonds of Monroe, Ga.; brother, John Kompare of Dubuque, Iowa; and one granddaughter.

Services will be held at a later date.

Memorials may be made to the Marshall County Humane Society.

Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, is in charge of the arrangements.

Verna Christina Miller  Date of Death 1/22/2007

BREMEN — Verna Christina Miller, 85, of Bremen, died on Monday, Jan. 22 at Bremen Health Care Center.

She is survived by a son, Edward (Mia) Miller of Bremen; daughter, Barbara Voss of Jenison, Mich.; four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Thursday, Jan. 25 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. at the Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen.
Funeral services are Friday, Jan. 26 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at the Bremen Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to St. Paul’s Lutheran Church, Bethesda Homes or the charity of one’s choice.

Matei Dumitru  Date of Death 1/23/2007

CULVER — Matei Dumitru, 83, of Culver, died on Tuesday, Jan. 23 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, South Bend.

He is survived by a daughter, Neagu Gheorghita of Romania; sons: Radu Dumitru of Romania, Jon Dumitru of Michigan City and George Dumitru of Culver; and eight grandchildren.

Visitation is Friday, Jan. 26 at 9 a.m. CST until the funeral services at 2 p.m. CST at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel.

Burial will be at Burr Oak Cemetery.

Arnold Manuwal  Date of Death 1/23/2007

Arnold Manuwal went to be with the Lord on Jan. 23, 2007, at the age of 92. He was born on a farm outside Plymouth, but lived most of his early childhood in Plymouth. He managed to have two tours with the Civilian Conservation Corps in the 1930s. He moved to South Bend where he worked as a streetcar and bus driver until World War II. He joined the Army in 1943 and eventually became a staff sergeant working on logistics support in Texas and Tennessee for the Second Army. After the war, he again drove a bus in South Bend and later received training as an electronics repair specialist. In his mid-40s, he accepted Jesus as his Savior, and served Him faithfully. He was patriotic, honest and served as a good grandfather.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Jenna Margaret Jessup Manuwal Griffin, who died in June of 1986. He married Dorothy Clark Pate in 1961 and was preceded in death by his beloved wife Dorothy Pate Manuwal in May 1996. At age 92, he was the last survivor of his generation; his brothers Alva, Meryl, Lester, and Kenneth and his sisters, Olive Kaufman, Flossie Chase, Edna Wade and Bessie Franger preceded him death.

He is survived by his son David Manuwal and his wife Naomi of Woodinville, Wash., and their children: John and Liz Manuwal of Woodinville, Wash. and Shawn and Joy Manuwal Burke, of Lake Stevens, Wash. He is also survived by three generations of nieces and nephews, most living in the Plymouth area.

He is also survived by his stepson Robert Pate and his wife Rita of Osceola and their children: Rachelle and Ray Morris of Granger and Mark and Donna Pate of Granger and his great-grandchildren: Derek and Drew Morris and Kailey, Allyssa and Reganne Pate.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26, 2007 in the Palmer Funeral Home-Guisinger Chapel, 3718 S. Michigan St., South Bend with Rev. John Wilson officiating. Interment will follow in Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Friends may call from 11 a.m. until the time of service at 1 p.m. Friday in the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Southfield Village, 6450 Miami Circle, South Bend, IN 46614. The family of Arnold H. Manuwal would like to thank the staff of Southfield Village for their wonderful care and support.

Nancy Lee (Hall) Alliss Young  Date of Death 1/24/2007

Nancy was born Aug. 2, 1936 in LaPorte to Paul D. and Irma M. (Geiselman) Hall. They lived in Wanatah until she was in the second grade. From Wanatah they moved to Argos in 1941. They lived there until the time of her graduation in 1954.

Nancy married George Frederick Alliss. After their divorce, she married Robert L. Young. They were married on Nov. 15, 1984. Robert passed away on Oct. 15, 2005.

Nancy worked in the office of Dr. Arnold Dunfee, in Plymouth, before moving to California in December of 1954.

Nancy is survived by her children: George P. Alliss of Plymouth; Sheri Lee (Alliss) and her husband, Pat Orr of Plymouth; and Brent C. Alliss and his wife, Kelly of Bristol, Va.; her grandchildren: Andrew and Megan Orr of Plymouth, Aaron and Kate Orr of Greenville, S.C., Amos Orr of Plymouth, Timothy Alliss, Jeffery Alliss, and Erica Alliss all of California. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, Robert and her sister Jennie (Hall) King.

A private family service will be held. Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison Str., Plymouth, is in charge of the local arrangements.

The family requests that memorial contributions be made to the Plymouth Public Library, 201 North Center St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

Family and friends may sign the guest book at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com

Charles Lee Kern  Date of Death 1/25/2007

SOUTH BEND — Mr. Charles Lee Kern, 91, passed away peacefully at 2:30 p.m., Thursday, at St. Paul’s Retirement Community while holding the hands of both his daughters.

Mr. Kern was born June 30, 1915 in Mentone, Ind. To the late Ivan and Cleo “Dollie” (Meredith) Kern. On March 30, 1943 in Marfa, Texas, while he was serving as a Lieutenant in the United States Air Force during WWII, he married Marinell Langdon Kern. Marinell passed away Oct. 23, 2005. They had been happily married for 64 years.

Mr. Kern was a dedicated role model devoted to his family, which includes his two loving daughters: Nancy (Carl) Frank of San Diego, Calif. And Susan (Thomas) Creevey of South Bend. Five grandchildren: Meghan Frank of San Diego, Calif., Eric Frank of Los Angeles, Breeyan Creevey and Kern Creevey of Chicago, and Connor Creevey of South Bend, and one great-grandchild, Anthony Frank, of San Diego.

He was the starting point guard on the 1932 Beaver Dam High School basketball team which was the smallest school to ever play in the Indiana State Basketball Finals. For this achievement his team is honored in the Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame. He went on to receive a bachelors degree from Manchester College and a masters of education from Indiana University-Bloomington. He was a volunteer at St. Matthew Cathedral for many years.

Mr. Kern was a principal, teacher and coach for over 40 years in the South Bend Community School Corporation where he had fond memories of his championship basketball teams at the former Colfax Elementary School. Many of his players went on to win state championships at Central High School and perform at the collegiate level. He was thought of as a great role model and mentor to his students and players. Mr. Kern also spent many years serving as an active member, and Board Chairman of Teachers Credit Union.

A celebration of the Mass of Christian Burial will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 31, at St. Matthew Cathedral, 1701 S. Miami, South Bend, with the Rev. Michael Heintz officiating.
Burial will be in New Oak Cemetery, Plymouth.

Friends may call on Tuesday from 3 to 6 p.m. in the McGann Hay Funeral Home at 435 S. Ironwood at Jefferson where the Rosary will be recited at 2:30 p.m.

The family would prefer that those wishing to make a memorial contribution in his honor direct it towards: St. Matthew Cathedral, 1701 Miami St., South Bend, IN, 46613.

**Lewis Paul Snyder  Date of Death 1/25/2007**

SPOKANE, Wash. — Lewis Paul Snyder was born on Feb. 9, 1941 in Plymouth to David Paul and Anna Fern Snyder. He went home to be with his Lord and Savior on Jan. 25, 2007 following a long courageous battle with cancer. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Carolyn (Rowe) Snyder and his parents.

He is survived by his wife Charlene; three daughters: Sharry (Rich) White, Christine (Brad) McNamara and Michelle (Christopher) McClure, all of Spokane Valley, Wash. And four stepchildren. Also surviving are seven grandchildren; nine step-grandchildren; five step great-grandchildren; one brother, Tom (Esther) Snyder of Lakeville; four sisters: Fern (Ralph) Costello of Plymouth, Mary (Steve) McBride of Bourbon, Myrtle (Jim) Smith of Lakeville and Sue (Bruce) Berkey of Nappanee.

He graduated from LaPaz High School in 1959. He retired from Avista. He was a member of Fourth Memorial Church, Old Iron Steam Buffs, Jr. Livestock Booster Club and Spokane Co. Cattlemen.

A memorial service will be held at Pine Creek Church of the Brethren, 69531 Pine Rd., North Liberty on Sunday, July 8, 2007 at 3 p.m. A time of visitation with the family will be held following the service.

Thornhill Valley Funeral Home assisted with the arrangements.

**Chester A., Jr. Marshall  Date of Death 1/26/2007**

Chester A. Marshall, Jr., 84, has died.

Chester was born in Albany, N.Y. and moved with his family to West Virginia.

He attended Thomas High School, West Virginia Wesleyan College (BA), West Virginia University (MS) and Indiana University (PhD.).

A long time teacher and coach, he held positions at Parsons High School (W.Va.), Wilmington College (Ohio), Culver Military Academy and the Indiana Department of Education.

He was a veteran of WWII, earning a Bronze Star while serving on the USS Huse. As captain of his college basketball team at West Virginia Wesleyan, he led a group of returning veterans in winning the West Virginia State Championships (and was later drafted by the Denver Nuggets). In 1981, he was named a Sagamore of the Wabash by Governor Otis Bowen for his years of service to Indiana’s youth.

He was preceded in death by his daughter, Margaret Ann (Meg) and is survived by his wife of 62 years, Glenda, and children Cynthia (Phil) of New Orleans, Chet III (Kate) of Culver, Elizabeth/Boo (Rob) of New York, Matt (Jean) of Indianapolis and grandchildren Adrian, Claire, Gigi and Aaron.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Chester A. Marshall Jr. Memorial Fund c/o the Culver Educational Foundation, Culver.
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Beverly Powell  Date of Death 1/26/2007

ROCHESTER — Beverly Powell, 69, died Friday, Jan. 26.

She is survived by one son, Daryl and Debbie Powell of Rochester; four grandchildren: Brandi and Bruce Armstrong of Rochester, Ashley Powell and Jeff Furnival of Rochester, Christopher Powell of Rochester and Amber Nettie of Plymouth; and one daughter-in-law, Diane Powell of Plymouth.

Private funeral services will be held Tuesday at Good Family Funeral Home, with the Pastor Jerry Pitman officiating. Burial will take place at Citizens Cemetery, Rochester.

Edna Lee DuBois  Date of Death 1/27/2007

Edna Lee DuBois, 100, formerly of Argos, died at 3:15 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 27 at Life Care Center of Rochester.

Visitation is Friday, Feb. 2 from 4 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to services Saturday at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Funeral services are Saturday, Feb. 3 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at the Richland Center IOOF Cemetery.

Melford J. Schmidt  Date of Death 1/27/2007

NORTH MANCHESTER — Melford J. Schmidt, 85, Huntington, died Saturday, Jan. 27.

He is survived by his wife, Adele C. Schmidt of Huntington, two sons: M. Thomas and Bonnie Schmidt of Culver and Jacob A. and Dawn Schmidt of Columbia City; one daughter, Myra J. Schmidt of Columbia City and five grandchildren.

Visitation is from 3 to 7 p.m. Tuesday at Bailey-Love Mortuary and one hour prior to services.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 917 W. Jefferson Blvd., Ft. Wayne, with the Rev. Thomas Eggold officiating.

Burial will be at Clear Creek Cemetery, Huntington.

Memorials may be made to the Emmanuel Lutheran Church in care of the Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 W. Park Dr., Huntington, IN 46750.

Donald K. Travis  Date of Death 1/27/2007

PLYMOUTH — Donald K. “Don” Travis, a lifetime Plymouth resident, died of natural causes in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth, on Saturday, Jan. 27, 2007, at 7:49 p.m. He was a month shy of his 79th birthday.

A very giving, caring person, Don was known as someone who would help anyone in need. He was a devoted husband, father and grandfather.

A prominent attorney with over 52 years in the practice of law in Marshall County, Don was a senior partner in the law firm of Stevens, Travis, Fortin and Lukenbill.

Born in Plymouth, on Feb. 23, 1928, Don was the son of Roland M. and Faye Marie Gibson Travis. He graduated from Plymouth High School with the class of 1946, and from the University of Notre Dame, earning a B.S. in Commerce, followed by, in 1952, a Juris Doctor in Law from
On June 9, 1951, in the First United Methodist Church in South Bend, Don and Marian M. Kaszas were married.

He served for nine years in the Indiana National Guard and was a former Prosecuting Attorney, City Attorney, County Attorney and Drainage Board Attorney. He had extensive legal knowledge and experience in the trial, Appellate and Supreme Courts and frequently served as Judge Pro Tem.

Fond of outdoors activities, Don enjoyed hunting and fishing. He and his father were excellent skeet shooters.

A Notre Dame football fan, Don took pleasure from constructing his and Marian’s cottage at Lake of the Woods. He loved being with his grandson, Travis, and was proud of all of his accomplishments.

A civic leader, Don was active in numerous organizations,

including serving as president of the Marshall County Bar Association and the Kiwanis Club. He was a member of the Chamber of Commerce, the Sheriffs Merit Board, the Indiana and American Bar Association, the Notre Dame Alumni Association and Notre Dame Club of St. Joseph County.

He served as chairman of the Community Chest (United Way), was a Mason, Scottish Rite and Shrine member and was on the Board of Directors of the 5-County Mental Health Clinic (Bowen Center).

A member of the First United Methodist Church of Plymouth Don served as a trustee on the board and was active with the Boy Scouts and Campfire Girls.

Don is survived by Marian, his devoted wife of 55 years, their daughter and son-in-law, Nancy Jo Lillian and Bob Coles of Yorktown, Ind. and his grandson, Travis R. Coles.

Don was preceded in death by his parents and his grandmother, Lillian Liggett Gibson.

Friends are invited to celebrate Don’s life with his family on Tuesday, Jan. 30, from 4 to 8 p.m. and after 7 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 31, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Don will be held at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 31, in the funeral home. The Rev. Rose Woodke, visitation pastor of the First United Methodist Church, Plymouth, and the Rev. Dr. Ronald Naylor, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Muncie, Ind., will officiate at the services.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Don’s memory, may be made to the First United Methodist Church, Donald K. Travis Memorial Fund.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family through the internet via: www. johnson-danielson.com.

Nancy L. Gambill  Date of Death 1/28/2007
KNOX — Nancy L. Gambill, 67, of Knox, died on Sunday, Jan. 28 at St. Anthony Hospital, Michigan City.

She is survived by her husband, Charles Gambill of Knox; daughter, Gail Sample of Hamlet; one grandchild; two great-grandchildren; brother, Dan Fields of Toledo, Ohio; sisters: Bobby Jean Ryder of Knox, Lola Sussie of Michigan City and Bessie Fields of Tucson, Ariz.

Funeral services were Thursday, Feb. 1 at 5 p.m. at Braman & Son Memorial Chapel, Knox, with visitation one hour before services.

Cremation has taken place.

Francis Lawrence Kanouse  Date of Death 1/28/2007

ROCHESTER — Francis Lawrence "Larry" Kanouse, 73, of Rochester, died at 1:10 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 28 at Life Care Center of Rochester.

He is survived by his wife, Georgianna; a son, Rick (Brandy) Kanouse of Rochester; two grandchildren; and a brother, David (Nancy) Kanouse of Kokomo.

Visitation is Wednesday, Jan. 31 from noon to 1 p.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Funeral services are Wednesday, Jan. 31 at 1 p.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at the Richland Center IOOF Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Multiple Myeloma Foundation.

Robert S. Kinzie  Date of Death 1/28/2007

ORTH MANCHESTER — Robert S. Kinzie, 78, of North Manchester, formerly of Plymouth, died at 7:45 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 28 at Peabody Healthcare Center, North Manchester.

He is survived by his wife, Carole; sons: Paul (Nancy Baer) Kinzie of St. Joseph, Mich. and Michael Kinzie of Plymouth; one granddaughter; and sisters: Maria Karelas of Sacramento, Calif. and Ilena Kinzie of Gurney, Ill.

Memorial services will be held at a later date.

Memorials may be made to the Marshall County Humane Society, P.O. Box 22, Plymouth, IN 46563.

DeLaughter-McKee Mortuary, North Manchester, is in charge of the arrangements.

Sallie Mae Mayfield  Date of Death 1/28/2007

INDIANAPOLIS — Sallie Mae Mayfield, 66, of Indianapolis, formerly of Monterey, died at 8:25 a.m. on Sunday, Jan. 28 at St. Vincent Medical Center, Indianapolis.

She is survived by son, Mark (Hazel) Mayfield of Culver; daughter, Vanessa McCain and Michael Moss of Indianapolis; five grandchildren; one great-grandchild; brothers: George (Bertha) Salary of Forrest Park, Ga. and Samuel (Mary) Salary of Culver; and sisters: Juanita (James) Spencer of Orlando, Fla., Charlotte (James) Harvey of Youngstown, Ohio, Elizabeth (Otis) Dozier of South Bend and Lillie (Moses) Richardson of Indianapolis.

Visitation is after 10 a.m. CST Saturday, Feb. 3 at Frain Mortuary, Winamac.
Sheryl L. Simons  Date of Death 1/28/2007

ARGOS — Sheryl L. Simons, 57, Argos, died Sunday, Jan. 28 at 3:41 a.m. at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth, following a three-year illness.

She was born Jan. 1, 1950 to Thomas G. and Roselyn (Hooker) Syler in Plymouth. She lived in Fulton and Marshall counties all of her life.

In 1970, she married Terry Simons. They later divorced.

Sheryl worked for Dr. Byron Holm's office from 1970 until she became ill three years ago.

She was a graduate of Rochester High School with the class of 1968.

She is survived by her two sons: Matthew Scott Simons of Knox and Shane William Simons of Plymouth; one daughter: Jami L. (David) Brewer of Rochester; four sisters: Judy Gonzalez of Santa Fe, New Mexico, Robin L. (Pat) Burkett of Argos; Tracy S. (Chuck) Pocock of Rochester and Tomi J. Syler of Plymouth; two step-sisters, Tammie Caywood of Rochester and Debbie (Richie) Magan of Florida; and step-mother Pat Syler of Rochester, as well as many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one sister, Marge Thacker.

Visitation will be Tuesday, Jan. 30 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 31, with the Rev. John Branch officiating, at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos.

Memorials may be made to the Humane Society of the donor's choice.

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

Alesia G. Craft  Date of Death 1/29/2007

NORTH JUDSON — Alesia G. Craft, 41, of North Judson, died on Monday, Jan. 29 at home.

She is survived by her fiancé, David Risner of North Judson; daughters: Ashley Craft of Lafayette and Alyssa Wireman of North Judson; mother, Jeanette Maahs of Kingsford Heights and J.C. Craft of Salyersville, Ky.; sister, Melina Salle of Knox; and brother, Eric Wireman of North Judson.

Visitation is Thursday, Feb. 1 from 5 to 8 p.m. at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel and Friday at the church one hour prior to the service.

Funeral services are Friday, Feb. 2 at 11 a.m. CST at New Life Pentecostal Church of Hamlet.

Burial will be at Oak Park Cemetery, Knox.

Memorials may be made to the family.

Merald E. Hall  Date of Death 1/29/2007
HAMLET — Merald E. Hall, 83, of Hamlet, died on Monday, Jan. 29 at Starke Memorial Hospital. He was born on Sept. 28, 1923 in Hamlet to Albert and Martha (Gretz) Hall. On Dec. 7, 1944, he married Ruth Christopher in South Carolina. She preceded him in death in 1996.

Merald was the former owner and operator of Hamlet Golf Course for 32 years. He served in the U.S. Army Air Corps in WWII. He previously attended Hamlet United Methodist Church. He also was a member of the Hamlet American Legion Post #356, serving as past commander. He was a 1940 graduate of Hamlet High School.

He is survived by two daughters: Carol Hall of Miami, Fla. and Jayne Hall of Prescott, Ariz. He was preceded in death by his parents and wife.

Visitation is Friday, Feb. 2 from 5 to 8 p.m. CST and Saturday after 10 a.m. until the time of services at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel.

Funeral services will be Saturday, Feb. 3 at 11 a.m. CST at the funeral home with Rev. Rose Woodke officiating.

Burial will be in Fletcher Cemetery, Hamlet.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hamlet United Methodist Church or the Hamlet Volunteer Fire Department.

Mahlon G. "Robbie" Robinson  Date of Death 1/29/2007

TIPPECANOE — Mahlon G. “Robbie” Robinson, 78, of Tippecanoe, died at 2:50 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 29 at Community Hospital of Bremen.

He is survived by his wife, Helen; daughter, Janet Longenecker of Bremen; sons: Stephen (Cindy) Robinson of Goshen and Allen (Janet) Robinson of Chattanooga, Tenn.; seven grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and a sister, June DeMont of Argos and Apache Junction, Ariz.

Visitation is Thursday, Feb. 1 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, Bourbon.

Funeral services are Friday, Feb. 2 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at the Tippecanoe Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Tippecanoe Emergency Medical Services.

Grayson M. Crotty  Date of Death 1/30/2007

MISHAWAKA — Grayson Michael “Bud” Crotty, 83, of Mishawaka, formerly of South Bend and Plymouth, died at 12:47 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 30 in Memorial Hospital, South Bend.

He is survived by his wife, Alice E. “Betty” Crotty; daughters: Jo Moore (Tim Flores) of Blanco, Texas, Teri Crotty (Jann Gormley) of Woodbury, Minn., Connie (Richard) Dahlem of Northport, N.Y. and Bonnie (James) Head of Fishers; three grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Friday, Feb. 2 from 2 p.m. until the time of the service at Welsheimer Family Funeral Home North, South Bend.

Funeral services are Friday, Feb. 2 at 4 p.m. at the funeral home.

Cremation will follow with burial in Mount Pleasant Cemetery at a later date.

Memorials may be made to the St. Joseph County Humane Society, 2506 Grape Rd., Mishawaka, IN 46545 or the St. Vincent DePaul Society, 3408 Ardmore Tr., South Bend, IN
Freida Mae Enders  Date of Death 1/30/2007

WAKARUSA — Frieda Mae Enders, 86, of Wakarusa, died at 10:20 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 30 at Miller’s Merry Manor, Wakarusa.

She is survived by sons: David (Dena) Enders of Granger and Larry (Beth) Enders of Bremen; daughter, Joyce (John) Hundt of Bremen; sisters: Dorothy Enders of Bourbon and Helen Hesch of Mishawaka; 10 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren with one on the way.

Visitation is Thursday, Feb. 1 from 4 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to services Friday at the Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen.

Funeral services are Friday, Feb. 2 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Bremen Cemetery Mausoleum Chapel.

Memorials may be made to St. Paul’s Lutheran Church, 605 S. Center St., Bremen, IN 46506.

Laurence H. Ulmer  Date of Death 1/30/2007

ETNA GREEN — Laurence H. Ulmer, 86, of Etna Green, died at 9:10 a.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 30 at Mason Health Care of Warsaw.

He is survived by his daughter, Carol (Dave) Vampner of Etna Green.

Visitation is Friday, Feb. 2 from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, Bourbon. Funeral services are Saturday, Feb. 3 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at the Etna Green Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Etna Green Church of Christ.

John Howard Jenkins  Date of Death 2/3/2007

KNOX — John Howard Jenkins, 59, of Knox, died on Saturday, Feb. 3.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy; children: John J. (Barb) Jenkins of Plymouth, Shelly A. (Michael) Major of North Judson, Shawna M. (James) Shouse of Wheatfield, Patrick Ryan Jenkins of Knox and Jessica (Jim) Jenkins of of Hebron; brother, William R. (Karen) Jenkins of Demotte; and 11 grandchildren.

Funeral services are Friday, Feb. 9 at 11 a.m. CST at M.C. Smith Funeral, Knox, with visitation one hour prior to services. Burial will take place at Crown Hill Cemetery, Knox.


Also celebrating his life are 13 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren: Carrie (Bruce) Miller and their sons, Justin and Jared; Chad (Amy) Wallace and their children, Ally, Carson and Mason; Sara (Dusty) White; Jason (Jinny) Wallace and their children, Lily and Rose; Tara
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(Dave) Vermillion and daughter, Maya; Levi (Brandii) Wilson; Jessica (Dan) Chamberlain and son, Jaden; Danae Wilson; Julie (Chris) Robertson; April (Brandon) Martin and daughters, Chloe and Carlie; Ashlie Wilson; Kyle Wilson and Michael Wilson.

Born April 12, 1927, Ralph was a WWII veteran serving in France. He retired from Allis-Chalmers after 30 years of service and was a member of the Walkerton United Methodist Church. He was preceded in death by his parents, George D. and Stella Mae (Smith) Wilson, as well as his four brothers: Merriam Shaffer, Thurman Beegle, Charles Wilson and Donald Wilson.

A friendly smile, generous heart, willing hands, wit and great humor are well-remembered traits of this fine man. He and his wife supported their family in all their endeavors through many youth programs like 4-H, Girl Scouts, Little League and many other sports. Ralph coached, molded and guided youth having set a fine example of life fully and well-lived. Although mostly self-taught, he instilled a thirst of knowledge contributing to the success of his family. A jack-of-all trades, Ralph passed on his many talents and diverse interests to his heirs, leaving them a legacy.

A celebratory service will be held Wednesday, Feb. 7 at 1 p.m. CST at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel, officiated by Pastor Char Allen of Walkerton United Methodist Church, assisted by Rob Keck of Teegarden First Brethren Church. Friends and family may honor Ralph during a visitation Tuesday, Feb. 6 from 4 to 8 p.m. CST at the funeral home. Contributions, in lieu of flowers, may be given to the Walkerton United Methodist Church or LaPorte County Hospice.

Jeremy B. Hague  Date of Death 2/5/2007

MONTEREY — Jeremy B. Hague, 24, of Monterey, died on Monday, Feb. 5 at Memorial Hospital, South Bend.
He is survived by his father, Lyman Raper of Monterey; mother, Phyllis Briggs of Fond du lac Reservation, Minn.; brothers: Chad (Mandy) Raper of Crown Point, Steve Thomas of Fond du lac Reservation, Minn. and William Thomas of Fond du lac Reservation, Minn.; sister, Victoria Thomas of Fond du lac Reservation, Minn.; and grandfather, Lyman Raper of Monterey.

Private services will be held. Cremation will take place. Braman & Son Memorial Chapel, Knox, is in charge of the arrangements.

Haley Renee Jerrell  Date of Death 2/5/2007

SOUTH BEND — Haley Renee Jerrell, infant daughter of Matthew R. and Brandy R. Swihart Jerrell, died at birth, 10:22 p.m., on Monday, Feb. 5 in Memorial Hospital, South Bend.
Haley is survived by her maternal grandparents, David and Brenda Swihart of Plymouth, and her paternal grandparents, Rev. Glenn and Kathleen Jerrell of Walkerton. Her maternal great-grandparents: Russell and Eva Spaid and Freida Swihart, all of Plymouth, also survive along with her paternal great-grandmother, Mary Aufrance of Missouri

Visitation is Friday, Feb. 9, from 9 to 10 a.m. in Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth.

Funeral services will be held immediately following visitation at 10 a.m. on Friday, in the funeral home. Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorials may be made to the Memorial Hospital Birthing Unit.

James S., Dr. Robertson  Date of Death 2/6/2007

Dr. James S. Robertson, the much beloved Plymouth physician known to all his patients and friends as ‘Doc’ passed away peacefully after a brief illness Tuesday, Feb. 6, 2007. He was 84 years old.
Dr. Robertson was born in Plymouth on Jan. 20, 1923, the only child of Stewart and Susie Jenkins Robertson. Ever since he was a young boy, Jim knew he wanted to be a doctor and that commitment never wavered. After graduating from DePauw University in Greencastle, he went on to Indiana University School of Medicine graduating in 1946. That same year Jim married his beloved high school sweetheart Joanne Kubley. After completing his internship in 1948, Jim joined his brother-in-law, Jim Kubley, in the practice of medicine. After the Korean War broke out in June of 1950, Lt. s.g. James Robertson, USNR, was called into the Navy and deployed with his family to Pearl Harbor for two years. Upon Jim’s return to Plymouth, he reunited with his brother-in-law and their medical practice flourished for 47 years. In the 1970s Jim participated in the Indiana University School of Medicine externship program. One of the young doctors he mentored was Dr. Byron Holm. A few years later Doc was proud to welcome Dr. Holm into their practice. Dr. James Kubley’s three sons, Dan, Jon and Rod, joined as well over the ensuing years.

The hallmark of Doc’s character can best be summed up by his response when a patient of limited means would ask how much he owed. “Next time you see me you can buy me a cup of coffee.” Over the years there were many Christmas cookies and fresh produce brought to his home as a quiet form of payment. And of course, many cups of coffee. Doc estimated he delivered well over 3,000 babies and was recognized throughout Northern Indiana as a gifted diagnostician. He was Marshall County’s Health Officer for more than 30 years and served as medical administrator to Pilgrim Manor, Mayflower and Shady Rest nursing homes.

Doc received many awards, served on various civic committees and a member of numerous affiliations. He was most proud of his role in the formation of the Marshal County Planned Parenthood in the 1970s. During the 1960s as the local country health officer he was a major advocate for migrant worker health standards.

Doc loved to play golf (was one of the principle developers of the Plymouth Country Club), bridge and most of all traveling to far off places. He often said if they just built the airport that was where he wanted to go!

Doc Robertson’s generosity, loyalty, compassion and courage will be greatly missed by his family, friends, colleagues, his loyal staff and of course his patients. A devoted physician, he touched thousands of lives.

Dr. Robertson is survived by his loving daughter Lynn Ann Gubernick and sons Jon Steven and Camden James Robertson. Other survivors include his son-in-law Joseph Gubernick, daughter-in-law Violet Robertson, grandchildren William Steven and Scott Wesley Robertson and Catherine Joanne Gubernick. He was preceded in death by his loving wife, Joanne in 1992 and adored son, William Stewart Robertson in 1968. A special thank you to Mirtha Guerrero and the devoted staff of the Dujarie House in South Bend.

The family will welcome friends and former patients to celebrate the life of their father and grandfather on Saturday, Feb. 10 from 3 to 7 p.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth. Funeral services will be held Sunday, Feb. 11 at 1 p.m. Burial will take place in Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

In lieu of flowers memorial gifts may be made to Planned Parenthood 1733 South Michigan St., South Bend, IN or the American Heart Association 208 South LaSalle St. Suite 900 Chicago, IL 60604.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family through our Web site: www.johnson-danielson.

Genevieve Warner Shively  Date of Death 2/6/2007

CULVER — Genevieve Warner Shively, 105, of Culver, died at 8:10 a.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 6 at Miller’s Merry Manor, Culver.
Marjorie Bernice Fish  Date of Death 2/7/2007

BREMEN — Marjorie Bernice Fish, 83, of Bremen, died at 6:45 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 7 at Riverside Village, Elkhart.
She is survived by sons: John (Pam) Fish of Bristol, Keith (Diane) Fish of Champaign, Ill. And Dale (Carrie) Fish of Elkhart; sister, Eleanor Hedgren; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Friday, Feb. 9 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen. Funeral services are Saturday, Feb. 10 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at the Bremen Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Bremen Missionary Church, 2958 Elm Rd., Bremen, IN 46506.

Janet Bules  Date of Death 2/9/2007

PLYMOUTH — Janet C. Bules, 67, of 410 6th St., Plymouth, Ind., passed away Friday, February 9, 2007 at 8:05 a.m., at her home, after a two year battle with cancer.

Janet was born on December 26, 1939, in Plymouth, to Allen and Norma (Bott) Bottorff. She has been a lifetime resident of Plymouth. On July 22, 1961, in Plymouth, Janet and Loren Bules, Sr. were married. Janet worked at the Catherine Kasper Home as a nurse’s aid. On March 7, 1984, Janet gave a wonderful gift to her sister Sandy. She gave her one of her kidneys.

Janet was a member of the First United Church of Christ in Plymouth.

Janet is survived by husband, Loren Bules, Sr.; their daughters, Deb Hatter of Plymouth and Hope and Gregory Miller of Plymouth; their sons, Loren, Jr. and Dawn Bules of South Bend, Indiana, Timothy and Kristen Bules of Plymouth, and Andy Bules of Tampa, Florida.

Also surviving are, 13 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; Janet’s sisters, Betty and Julian Rouch of Culver, Indiana, Joyce and Jim Maze of Riverside, California, Judy Gaines of Tennessee, and Sandy Vanes of Walkerton. A special friend of the family, Cindy Sullivan of Plymouth, also survives.

Services will be held Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. at the First United Church of Christ, 321 N. Center St., with the Rev. Steven Voelker officiating.

Burial will be in the Memorial Gardens section of New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

A time of visiting, with the family, will be on Monday, from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth, IN, 46563 and also 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at the church, prior to the service.
The Bules family would like for memorial contributions to be given to the Marshall County Cancer Association, P.O. Box 895, Plymouth, Indiana, 46563.

Friends may sign the guest book and share memories with the Bules family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com.

Delbert R. Chupp  Date of Death 2/10/2007
BREMEN — Delbert R. Chupp, 59, died at 10:15 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 10 at Community Hospital of Bremen.

He is survived by his wife, Ruby; daughters: Brenda Jean (Allen Jay) Bontrager of Tippecanoe, Charlene (Nelson Jay) Miller of Nappanee and Marla K. (Gerald) Yoder of Bremen; sons: Wyman (Becky) Chupp of Bremen, Virgil (Kara Ann) Chupp of Bremen, Mark Allen (Regina Ann) Chupp of Nappanee and Joe Dean Chupp of Nappanee; sisters: Inez (Norman) Hochstetler of Mio, Mich., Anna Mae (Harley) Yoder of Millersburg, Edna (Floyd) Chupp of Goshen and Mary Ellen Chupp of Nappanee; brothers: Vernon (Mattie) Chupp of Vallonia, Mel (Loretta) Chupp of Topeka, Lloyd (Edith) Chupp of Topeka, Lester (Linda) Chupp of Nappanee, David (Lena) Chupp of Topeka, John (Ruth) Chupp of Walnut Creek, Ohio, Rudy (Beth) Chupp Jr. of Choteau, Okla. And Norman (Pam) Chupp Jr. of Nappanee; and 17 grandchildren.

Services will be at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 13 at the Eddie Yutzy home, Birch Road.

Burial will be at Weldy Cemetery, Nappanee.

Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee is in charge of the arrangements.

Samuel E. Leake  Date of Death 2/10/2007

PLYMOUTH — Samuel E. Leake, 85, died Saturday evening, February 10, 2007 at his home in the company of his family. Sam was a former resident of Warsaw, Ind.

He was born on May 28, 1921 in East Point, Kentucky, the son of Sam W. and Martha A. (Moles) Leek. On November 17, 1942 he was off to proudly serve in the U.S. Army during WWII. He was active duty in the 462nd Air Service Group serving in Normandy.

On November 6, 1955, he took as his bride Patricia A. Lee and made Plymouth their home. Sam had worked for the railroad and retired as a shop supervisor for Steel Warehouse in South Bend after over 20 years of service.

He was a member of the Warsaw American Legion Post 49 and the Moose Lodge No. 1423 of Warsaw. Sam enjoyed growing a huge garden and giving the produce away.

Surviving is his wife Pat, daughters; Rhonda L. (John) Brown of South Bend, Debra A. (Richard) Gee of Plymouth and son Duane E. (Roxanne) Leake of South Bend. Grandchildren include: Eric, Shannon, Andrea, Andrew, Annestasia, and Jenny. Also surviving are sisters Ethel Schuh of Elkhart and Vivian (Jerry) Kelly, with brothers Glen Leek, Robert (Eileen) Leek and Don (Mary) Leake all of Warsaw along with numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by a sister Helen Nichols and brothers Elmer L. Leek and Mirl R. Lee.

Family services will take place and burial will follow in the New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

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

Words of condolence and sharing of memories may be sent through the web-site: www.johnson-danielson.com

Leander J. "Andy" Stein  Date of Death 2/10/2007

PLYMOUTH — Leander J. "Andy" Stein, 88, died Friday, Feb. 10 at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

He is survived by his wife, June; daughter Mary Ellen (Michael) Rogers; son Joseph G. (Mary) Stein of Argos; three grandchildren and two brothers.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, with calling one hour prior to services.
Memorial gifts may be made to the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care

**Robert "Jimmy" Wallace  Date of Death 2/10/2007**

LAKEVILLE — Robert “Jimmy” Wallace, 31, died on Saturday, Feb. 10 at his home.

He is survived by two daughters: Kiya Lynn Wallace and Berlin Riley Wallace; parents, Sharon Wallace and Glen T. (Judy) Wallace; sister, Dawn Wallace; and grandparents, Raymond (Norma) Neirynck and Lila Wallace.

Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 14 at Palmer Funeral Home, Lakeville where a funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 15.

Memorials for his daughters may be made in care of Palmer Funeral Home, P.O. Box 33, Lakeville, IN 46536.

**Frederick L. Rentschler  Date of Death 2/11/2007**

Frederick L. Rentschler, 77, of The Villages, Fla., formerly of Plymouth, died on Sunday, Feb. 11 at Lady Lake Specialty Care, Lady Lake, Fla.

He is survived by his wife, Marilyn Rentschler of The Villages, Fla.; daughters: Jane Helton of Lafayette and Amy Stehlik of Marietta, Ga.; and three grandchildren.

Memorial services will be held at a later date.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorials may be made to the National Kidney Foundation or Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center.

Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, is in charge of the arrangements.

Frederick L. Rentschler, 77, of The Villages, Florida, died Sunday, February 11, 2007 in Lady Lake Specialty Care Center, Lady Lake, Florida.

The son of Carl and Sally Williams Rentschler, Fred was born in Plymouth, Indiana on March 30, 1929.

Fred was a resident of Fort Wayne, Indiana until 1999, when he retired from Indiana & Michigan Electric Company, now American Electric Power, as a Senior Power Engineer. After his retirement, he and his wife, the former Marilyn Hoover, moved to The Villages, Florida.

He was a member of the Purdue Alumni Association, Charter Member of Indiana Chapter #1 Korean War Veterans Association, an Honorary Duke of Paducah, and a Life Member of the American Legion, Chapter #347. In Florida, he was a member of Hope Lutheran Church, The Indiana Club, and the Polo Ridge Club.

Fred is survived by Marilyn, his wife of 56 years, two daughters: Jane Helton of Lafayette, Indiana and Amy Stehlik of Marietta, Georgia, and three grandchildren.

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

A Memorial Service for Fred will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 14, 2007 in Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, Indiana.

Memorial contributions in Fred’s name may be made to the National Kidney Foundation, 1040 Woodcock Road, Suite 119, Orlando, Florida 32803 or Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, 1275 York Ave., New York, New York 10021.
Paul W. Weaver  Date of Death 2/11/2007

MONTEREY — Paul W. Weaver, 90, of 5620 E. 600 N., Monterey, died at 2:35 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 11 at Pulaski Memorial Hospital, Winamac. He was born on Dec. 20, 1916 in Lawton, Ind. To Leander and Lenora (Kuhn) Weaver. On Feb. 5, 1940 in Pulaski, he married Rosanna T. Ortman.

Paul was a member of St. Anne’s Catholic Church in Monterey. He was also a member of Pulaski County Farm Bureau. Paul enjoyed farming and buying and selling cars. He enjoyed time spent with his family.

He is survived by his wife, Rosanna of Monterey; son, Robert E. (Sandra) Weaver of Culver; daughters: Debra E. Penicaro of Star City and Rosalie A. Watson of Plymouth; 15 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; four great-great-grandchildren; sisters: Alvina Downey of Monticello, Mary Margaret Dilts of Menonomee, Wis., Ellen Reinhold of Kearneysville, W. Va. And Mildred Schmicker of Winamac; brothers: Cletus Weaver of Michigan City and Albert Weaver of Star City; and son-in-law, Charlie Sumey.

He was preceded in death by his father, Leander Weaver; mother, Lenora Kuhn Weaver; daughter, Pauline A. Sumey and brother, Vincent Weaver.

Visitation is Thursday, Feb. 15 from 2 to 8 p.m. CST at Frain Mortuary, Winamac. A Rosary service will be held at 3 p.m. CST.

A funeral mass will be held on Friday, Feb. 16 at 10 a.m. CST at St. Anne’s Catholic Church, Monterey, with Rev. Bert Woolson officiating.

Burial will take place in the St. Anne’s Cemetery, Monterey.

Messages of sympathy may be sent to the family at www.frainmortuary.com

Dale E. Burnham  Date of Death 2/12/2007

WANATAH — Dale E. Burnham, 77, of Wanatah, died on Monday, Feb. 12 at St. Anthony Hospital, Michigan City.

He is survived by daughters: Susan (Terry) Garner of Hanna and Nancy (Kevin) Redweik of Wanatah; sons: Gary (Connie) of Michigan City and Roger of Hanna; brothers: Kenneth of Kansas, Robert of South Dakota and Dean of Arizona; eight grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Thursday, Feb. 15 after 11 a.m. until the time of services at David Wesleyan Church.

Funeral services will be Thursday, Feb. 15 at 1 p.m. CST at the church.

Burial will be at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Hanna Cemetery Association, 12844 S. 300 W., Hanna, IN 46340.

Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel, is handling the arrangements.

Frederick L. Rentschler  Date of Death 2/12/2007

Frederick L. Rentschler, 77, of The Villages, Florida, formerly of Plymouth, died on Feb. 12 at Lady Lake Speciality Care, Lady Lake, Fla.
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Visitation is Saturday, April 14 from 1 to 2 p.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth. A memorial service will follow at 2 p.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorials may be made to the National Kidney Foundation or the Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center.

Norman "Carl" Walterhouse  Date of Death 2/12/2007

Norman “Carl” Walterhouse, 90, a lifetime Marshall County resident, died of natural causes in Pilgrim Manor at 7:15 p.m. on Monday, February 12, 2007.

Carl was a grand old soldier of World War II. He received his final marching orders and is now serving in his Lord's Army.

Born in LaPaz, Indiana, on August 20, 1916, Carl was the son of Norman and Elsie Hazel (Guyse) Walterhouse.

Carl was truly a member of The Greatest Generation.

He attended LaPaz schools until he was 16-years-old.

In 1941 he joined the Army, and served with the 168th Infantry of the Fifth Army for almost four years, fighting battles in Algeria, Tunisia, the Po Valley and Italy. His unit was commended for over 300 days of combat. He was awarded a Bronze Star for meritorious achievement in ground combat in the European-African-Middle Eastern Theater of Operations.

His other decorations included two Purple Hearts, Bronze and Silver battle stars and an Arrowhead.

After his honorable discharge, Carl came back to Plymouth and worked in the box factory for 10 years. He later worked for 20 years in the Indiana State Highway Department.

In his later years, he diligently and faithfully swept the walks for many downtown merchants.

He liked a good joke and enjoyed making the rounds to share them with the guys at the Plymouth Police Department and Uncle Doug’s Barber Shop.

He loved to shop and had an extensive collection of shirts and ties. He was known to be very giving to others and never forgot the names of his friends.

In 1998, Carl was named the Honorary Blueberry Festival Parade Marshal. Former Governor Otis R. Bowen was the official parade marshal and Carl said that shaking Dr. Bowen's hand was one of the thrills of his life.

He was a member of the Eagles Lodge, a lifetime member of the V.F.W. Post #1162, the American Legion of Bourbon and constant member of the Plymouth House of Prayer.

In 2002, in failing health, Carl went to live in the Indiana Veterans Home in West Lafayette.

He missed Plymouth and his many friends so much so, he soon returned home to Plymouth where he has made Pilgrim Manor his home since June of 2003 where he appreciated the attention and care provided by the entire staff and special friends, Kelly Wagers, Officer Gary Cleveland and brother in Christ, Larry Harner.

Carl is survived by a sister, Margaret Parcell of LaPorte, Indiana, and four nieces and ten nephews. His nieces are: Carol Singleton, Bremen: Martha Torrible, Silver Springs, Md.: June
Carl was preceded in death by a brother, Donald Walterhouse and an infant brother and by four sisters: Blanche VanVactor, Reathel Nicholas, Mildred Moser and Lois and Ruby Walterhouse.

Friends will be welcomed by his family to share memories and to celebrate Carl’s long and inspiring life on Thursday, February 15, 2007, from 3 to 7 p.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan Street, Plymouth. Where calling will continue after 7 a.m. on Friday until time of services

Funeral services will be held on Friday, February 16, 2007, at 11 a.m. in the funeral home. Services will be conducted by the Rev. James Campbell.

Interment will be in Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth where Military Honors will be provided by members of the V.F.W. Post 1162 and American Legion Post 27.

Memorial gifts in Walter’s memory may be given to the Marshall County Museum, 123 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

Steven Wayne Booker  Date of Death 2/16/2007

Steven Wayne Booker, 46, died unexpectedly of apparent natural causes, at 3:04 p.m. on Friday, February 16, 2007, at his Garden Court residence, 400 W. Washington St. He was a former Benton Harbor, Michigan resident, for many years.

Born in Bremen on April 6, 1961, Steve is the son of Robert J. and Dorothy M. (Early) Booker and attended Benton Harbor Community schools.

On October 21, 1989 he married Wendy K. Chmielewski in Plymouth.

He was a fiberglass fabricator for several area businesses as well as a roofing contractor.

Steve, above all, loved his children and talked of them often. He was an outdoor sportsman and enjoyed all sorts of activities, especially hunting and fishing until he became disabled.

He had a great sense of humor and was proud of his numerous tattoos.

Steve had attended the Plymouth Open Bible Church.

He is survived by his mother; Dorothy M. Pope of Plymouth, his former spouse and by his four children: two daughters and two sons.

His daughters are Kayla Nicole Booker and Kristen Michelle Booker. His sons are Steven W. Booker, Jr. and Brandon Michael Booker all of Plymouth.

Also surviving is a dear brother, Robert Michael Booker, Sawyer, Michigan and sister and brother-in-law, Cynthia K. and Harold Tabor of Plymouth.

Several nieces and nephews and a special friend, Crystal Brink of Plymouth, survive as well.

Steve was preceded in death by his father, a step-father; Carl D. Pope, his grandparents and several aunts and uncles.
Charlotte A. Jagminas  Date of Death 2/16/2007

Charlotte A. Jagminas, 91, died of natural causes at her home, 712 Nueva Gorda, Culver, Indiana, on Friday, February 16, 2007.

Formerly of Chicago, Illinois, she was born March 4, 1915, as the daughter of Sylvester and Katie Galinski Kostecki. She went to school through the 8th grade.

In 1936, she was married to Alexander T. Jagminas. Alexander died on October 24, 1980.

For 25 years, Charlotte was a salad maker. She worked for Rocheloo Salad. She retired in 1973.

She was a member of St. Georgia’s Church in Chicago.

She is survived by a daughter and two sons.

Her daughter is Charlotte Brettin, Culver, Indiana and her sons are Sylvester “Bill” and Vicki Jagminas, Franklinton, Louisiana, and Robert and Lillian Jagminas, Chetek, Wisconsin.

Charlotte was preceded in death by two sisters and two brothers. They are Helen Pilatouskas, Anna Kostecki, Sylvester Kostecki and Christopher Kostecki.

Funeral services will be held at St. Casimir Cemetery, Chicago, Illinois, on February 20, 2007, at 11 a.m.

Thelma Angeline (Allen) Banning  Date of Death 2/18/2007

Thelma Angeline (Allen) Banning passed away at the home of the granddaughter, Diane Voth in Danville, Kentucky on Sunday, February 18, 2007 at the age of 98. She was born July 18, 1908 near West Lebanon, Indiana, the daughter of John Fingal and Sadie (Yarbrough) Allen. She attended school at West Lebanon, graduating in 1926. She then attended Indiana State Teachers' College in Terre Haute, Indiana, graduating in 1929. She taught elementary school for four and one half years in Warren County, before leaving the profession to raise a family and assist her husband with the farming operation. Thelma returned to teaching and taught an additional ten years in Fountain County.


Thelma lived all of her life in Warren County until moving to Danville, Kentucky to live with her granddaughter, Diane Voth, nearly four years ago. Thelma was active in the Williamsport community as a member of the Christian Church in West Lebanon, O.E.S. Chapter #162 of Eastern Star, Fountain/Warren Retired Teachers' Association, Ouabache Chapter of D.A.R., The Attica/Williamsport Senior Citizens, Home Extension Club, Warren County Garden Club, and several social clubs. She loved people, old and young, and valued their friendships. She was also an avid reader and cherished her books as well as sharing them with others.
Thelma is survived by six children, 16 grandchildren, and 23 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Ernest; twin babies; her sister, Isabelle Galloway; her brothers, John, Karl, and Roald Allen; and her parents, Fingal and Sadie Allen.

Services were held Saturday, February 24, 2007 at Grady Funeral Home, Williamsport, Indiana, with Minister Bruce Thornsborough officiating. Burial took place in West Lebanon Cemetery. Memorials may be given to West Lebanon Christian Church, 201 South Clinton Street, West Lebanon, Indiana, 47991.

Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth, Indiana, 46563, is handling the local arrangements. Family and friends are invited to sign the guest book at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com

Wauneta M. Elliott  Date of Death 2/19/2007

Wauneta M. Elliott, a lifetime Marshall County resident, died, following an illness, at her residence on Baker St., Plymouth, at 11:48 a.m. on Monday, February 19, 2007. She was 89 years old.

Wauneta was born on October 3, 1917, in Tippecanoe, Indiana, the daughter of J.D. and Nellie Maze Winterrowd. She attended schools in Tippecanoe, Linkville and LaPaz.

On January 6, 1940, in Argos, Indiana, she and Denzil D. Elliott were married. Denzil died on April 22, 1992.

Her life long pleasure was as a homemaker, taking care of her family.

She was an accomplished seamstress and enjoyed her flower gardens.

Wauneta was an active member of the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth.

She is survived by a daughter, a son and their families.

Her daughter and son-in-law are Kay and Jose Gonzalez, Plymouth, and her son and his wife are Randall and Kay Elliott, Sault Ste Marie, Michigan.

Five grandchildren, five great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren also survive.

Wauneta was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, and three brothers: Wayne, George and Robert “Max” Winterrowd. Three sisters have also died. They are: Alta Best, Elma Fanning and Delta Schrome.

Friends will be welcomed to celebrate the life of Wauneta by her family on Thursday, February 22, 2007, from 4 to 8 p.m. and on Friday, February 23, 2007, after 7:00 a.m., in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services, conducted by the Rev. Paul Nye and the Rev. Dr. Ronald Liechty, pastors of the First Presbyterian Church, will be held in the funeral home at 10 a.m. on Friday, February 23, 2007.

Entombment will be in the New Oakhill Mausoleum, Plymouth, Indiana.

Memorial gifts in Wauneta’s memory may be made to the First Presbyterian Church.

Eugene F. Wayman  Date of Death 2/19/2007

Eugene F. Wayman, 74, died unexpectedly at 2:41 p.m. Monday, February 19, 2007 in the St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth. A former resident of Hobart, he has made his home
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Gene was born the son of Frank and Mary Ann (Machowiak) Wayman on March 22, 1932 in East Chicago, Indiana. He was a 1951 graduate of Hammond High School.

He served with the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict from 1952-54.

On June 6, 1953, in Harvey, Illinois he took as his bride the former Claudia C. Thornton. Together they would raise eight children.

In 1990 after 39 years of service with NIPSCO, Gene retired as a former manager and consultant. He enjoyed the many times spent with family and friends on the lake and liked fishing, a good game of golf and his hand at carpentry.

He had attended St. Michael Catholic Church, Plymouth.

Survivors include his loving wife Claudia, four sons, four daughters and eighteen grandchildren. Their children are: Michael E. (Jodi) Wayman of Valparaiso, David R. (Cookie) Wayman of Las Vegas, Patricia J. Wayman of Valparaiso, Thomas E. (Janet) Wayman of Crown Point, Robert D. (Christine) of Warsaw, and Michele E. (Jeff) Robertson, Christine M. (Gus) Rodriguez and Jacquelyn M. (Tony) Kalin all of Valparaiso.

A sister, Pearl Pazdur of Valparaiso and several nieces and nephews also survive.

Gene was preceded in death by two sons; Eugene M. Wayman (1962) and James R. Wayman (1967) along with two brothers; Edwin and Henry Wayman and a sister, Helen Stasko.

At Gene’s request his body is being bequeathed to the Anatomical Gift Association of Illinois for research and a private family gathering will be held.

Memorial gifts in Gene’s memory may be made to the Riley Children’s Hospital, 702 Barnhill Drive, Indianapolis, Indiana 46202 or a Ronald McDonald House.

Jacquelyn Leeper  Date of Death 2/20/2007

Jacquelyn "Jackie" Leeper, 59, of Bremen, passed away on Tuesday, February 20, 2007, at Bremen Health Care Center. She was born on October 23, 1947, in Bremen, to Ray & Bertha (Richardson) Leeper.

A lifetime Bremen resident, Jackie was a Lab Tech for the Community Hospital of Bremen and for Bremen Castings. She was a Member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Bremen and the Thursday Morning Ladies Bible Study.

Survivors include 1 Brother: Harland "Skip" Leeper of Colorado. She was preceded in death by her parents.

Services will be held Friday, February 23, 2007, with a Committal service at 10:30AM at the Bremen Cemetery Chapel and following, at 11:00AM, a Funeral Memorial Service at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 605 S. Center Street, Bremen. Friends may call on Thursday, February 22, 2007, from 5-8PM at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Bremen.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 605 S. Center Street, Bremen, Indiana 46506.

Albert P. Roach  Date of Death 2/21/2007

Albert P. " Al" Roach, 85, died at 11:15 p.m. on Wednesday, February 21, 2007, in the Bremen Health Care Center.
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Born in New Brunswick, Canada on May 1, 1921, Al was the son of Fidele and Zelie Poirier Roach.

A Merchant Marine for 25 years, Al retired in 1985 as a Marine Engineer.

On January 28, 1964, Al and Dorothy M. Plowman were married in Galveston, Texas.

Surviving along with Dorothy, his wife of 43 years, are a daughter, Jennifer and Alex Bryant of Bremen, Indiana, a son, James and Vickie Hinesley of Angleton, Texas, six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

No services will be held. Entombment will be in Galveston Memorial Park, Hitchcock, Texas.

Garnette Jennings Date of Death 2/23/2007

Garnette Jennings, 78, went home to be with the Lord on Friday, February 23, 2007. She had been a resident of the Bremen Health Care Center since June 2006.

She was born on October 27, 1928, in St. Paul, Virginia, to the late Hagan and Eliza Salyer, and had been a Bremen resident since 1987.


She is survived by a son, John Simmons and his wife Cindy of Bremen; and a daughter, Phyllis Weaver of Hickory, NC, two Granddaughters: Marti Vance and her husband Nathan, and Victoria Simmons, all of South Bend and one Great Granddaughter, Brianna Vance. She was preceded in death by six Sisters and two Brothers.

Garnette graduated top in her class from nursing school at Lynchburg (Virginia) General Hospital in 1953. She later co-owned Farmer John's Market in Richmond, Virginia, with her first husband. Upon retirement she moved to Lynchburg, Virginia, where she resided until moving to Bremen.

She was a longtime member of First Baptist Church of Bremen where she enjoyed many close friendships. Garnette loved the Lord and was a true example of Christianity to her family and friends. She had a kind and sweet spirit, and will be sadly missed by all who knew her.

Visitation will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, March 1, 2007, followed by funeral services at 3:00 p.m. Both services will be held at First Baptist Church, of Bremen, where Pastor Jerry Smith will officiate. Garnette will be laid to rest at Fort Hill Memorial Park, Lynchburg, VA.

Our family wishes to express gratitude and appreciation to the Bremen Health Care Center, Hospice of Marshall County, and to Home Health Care providers Virginia Graverson and Shirley Mae Forsythe for profession and loving care of Garnette. Their dedication and support will always be remembered.

Memorial contributions may be made in her honor to Hospice of Marshall County or the First Baptist Church in Bremen.

Elaine R. Orton Date of Death 2/23/2007

Nappanee -- Elaine R. Orton, 58, of Nappanee died Friday, Feb 23.

She is survived by her husband, Dave Orton of Nappanee, her son, David Earl Orton of Nappanee, her daughter Sabrina and Bob Borton of Plymouth, one granddaughter and four sisters, Cheryl and Daniel Gonzalez of Nappanee, Susie and Glen Hochstetler of Nappanee, Cindy and Joe Lynn of Bremen and Mary Robbins of Wakarusa.
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Visitation was Monday from 5 to 7 p.m. at Goshen United Pentecostal Church. Services were Monday at the church at 7 p.m. with pastor Gary Roberts. Private burial was at South Union Cemetery.

Louise Redman  Date of Death 2/23/2007

Louise Redman, 63, of 53871 Generation Drive, South Bend, Indiana, died of natural causes in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, South Bend, at 11:58 a.m. on Friday, February 23, 2007.

Louise was born in Plymouth, Indiana, on May 24, 1943. She was the daughter of David E. and Jeanette Nitcher Rensbeger McGowen.

She attended Plymouth schools.

Louise enjoyed visiting people and being with her family.

She is survived by a daughter: Crystal Redman, Warsaw, Indiana, and by a sister and two brothers. They are: Sandy and George Jarvis, Mishawaka, Indiana: Phillip McGowen, Elkhart, Indiana, and Jim and Judy Brinkman, Plymouth.

Friends will be welcomed by her family to celebrate Louise’s life on Tuesday, March 6, 2007, from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Sunrise Chapel, 11802 Lincoln Highway, Plymouth, Indiana.

A memorial service for Louise, officiated by the Rev. Rustin Krapfl, pastor of the Sunrise Chapel, will follow visitation at the Chapel on Tuesday evening.

Burial will be in Oakhill Cemetery at a later date.

Memorial gifts in Louise’s memory may be sent to the charity of the donor’s choice.

W. Darlene Smith  Date of Death 2/23/2007

BREMEN - W. Darlene Smith, 74, died at 8:10 a.m. Friday, Feb. 23, in the Bremen Health Care Center.

She was born in Bremen, Indiana, on April 21, 1932, to Guy and Mabel (Kamp) Smith.

While never marrying, she lived a fulfilling life in Bremen, and was a member of the First Assembly of God Church.

Survivors include a sister, Esther Flory of Bremen; three nephews, Douglas (Connie) Flory of Bremen, Jeff (Sally) Flory of Wyatt and Dennis Smith of New Paris; two nieces, Carol (Steve) Dhoore of South Bend and Kay (Ronnie) Bechler of Goshen.

Her parents and two brothers preceded her in death.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday, February 27, 2007, in Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen, with Pastor Neil Wonnacott officiating. Visitation will be two hours before services in the funeral home. Burial will be at Bremen Cemetery.

Donations may be made to the Bremen Health Care Center Activity Fund.

Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen, assisted the family with arrangements. Please send a condolence at www.mishlerfuneralhomes.com.

Marie Miller  Date of Death 2/26/2007
Marie Miller, age 97, of 222 Parkview Street, Plymouth, Indiana, passed away Monday, February 26, 2007 at Pilgrim Manor Nursing Home in Plymouth.

Marie was born on July 16, 1909 in Thomaston, Indiana, to Herman and Atilla (Hawkins) Boldt. On October 14, 1928 Marie married Stanley Miller who preceded her in death.

Marie lived most of her life in the South Bend, Indiana area. She graduated from South Bend Central High School. For a short period of time, she worked for the Studebaker Corporation. She then became a full time homemaker and helped on the family farm.

Marie is survived by her son, Richard and Jeanie Miller of Plymouth; her grandchildren, Vickie Hunter, Patty and Ken Alwine, and Jon and Debbie Miller; eight great-grandchildren, Dallas and Marella Hunter, Michael Hunter, Jonathan Miller, Katie Miller, Carmen and Brian Rudisell, Isaac Alwine, Leeann Alwine, and Emily Swain; and two great-great-grandchildren, Isaac Hunter and Tiffany Rudisell. Marie was preceded in death by her husband, Stanley, and her sister, Melva Boldt.

Private family funeral services will be take place. Burial will be in the Saint Joseph Valley Memorial Park Cemetery in Granger, Indiana. The Rev. Alan O. Carson, Sr. will be officiating at the service.

Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth, Indiana, 46563, is handling the arrangements.

Friends may sign the guest book and share memories, of Marie, with her family, at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com

Raymond Dale Young  Date of Death 2/26/2007

Raymond Dale Young
Bourbon -- Raymond Dale Young, 79, of Bourbon died on Monday, Feb 26 at Memorial Hospital of South Bend.

He is survived by his wife Joanna (Schweisberger) Young of Bourbon; sons: Steve (Jenny) Young of Fort Wayne and Al (Jill) Young of Bourbon; daughter, Linda (Glen) Helmuth of Bourbon; eight grandchildren; sister, Dorothy (Harry) Niebling of Sturgis, Mich; and brothers: Lowell (Barbara) Young of Bremen and Kenneth (Kathy) Young of Nappanee.

Visitation was Thursday, March 1 from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. at the Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee and one hour prior to services Friday.

Funeral services were Friday, March 2 at 10:30 a.m. at Salem United Methodist Church, Bremen. Burial was at the Bremen Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Salem United Methodist Church.

Beulah "Bee" Burkett  Date of Death 2/27/2007

Beulah Belle Burkett, 98, died on Tuesday, Feb. 27 at the Woodbridge Health Campus, Logansport.

She is survived by daughters: Joyce A. Good of Rochester and Carolyn (Bruce) Hodgson of Cadillac, Mich.; nine grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and sister, Mary Alice Wagoner of Rochester.

Visitation is Friday, March 2 from 3 to 8 p.m. or from 9 a.m. until the hour of the service on Saturday at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.
Funeral services are Saturday, March 3 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to The Guardian Angel Hospice of Logansport, Hope Hospice of Fulton County or the Jayne A. Good Memorial Scholarship Fund/Northern Indiana Community Foundation.

Kenneth M. Kaminski  Date of Death 2/27/2007

PLYMOUTH — Kenneth M. Kaminski, 75, of 635 W. Oakhill Ave., Plymouth, formerly of Argos, died at 8:55 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 27 at Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth, following an extended illness. He was born on July 14, 1931 in Chicago, Ill. to James and Anna (Sobkwiak) Kaminski. On March 6, 1952 he married Betty Jean Anderson in Henrietta, Texas. They moved to the Argos community in 1955.

Kenneth served his country from 1951 to 1955 with active service in the United States Air Force and was honorably discharged on Nov. 14, 1959 from the United States Air Force Reserve. He was a member of the Retired Teachers Association. He retired after 21 years of teaching at Wabash Vocational School.

He is survived by his wife, Betty J. Kaminski of Plymouth; daughter, Susan Shafer of Plymouth; son, Marvin (Beverly) Kaminski of Argos; grandchildren: Shanan Shafer, Shalon (Tim) Paterson, Shelly (Kevin) Longson, and Brittany and Rochelle Kaminski; great-grandchildren: Jordon Shafer, Rhiley and Paige Shafer and Samantha Paterson; sisters: Shirley (Harold) Snodgrass of Peoria, Ariz., Patricia Green of Walkerton and Rochelle Kaminski; brother, John (Kathy) Kaminski of Oregon; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Robert Kaminski.

Friends may visit with the family on Friday, March 2 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. on Saturday, March 3 at the funeral home with Rev. Mark Fishburn officiating.

Burial will be at Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos, with military graveside rites performed by James Lowell Corey, American Legion Post #68 of Argos.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Argos Community Schools, Dollars for Scholars, Attn: Eugene Cooper, Treasurer, 18707 Michigan Rd., Argos, IN 46501. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home.

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

Charlene Williams  Date of Death 2/27/2007

PLYMOUTH — Charlene L. Williams, 75, of 17149 Lincoln Highway West, Apartment #1, Plymouth, passed away Tuesday, Feb. 27, 2007 at Saint Vincent’s Hospital in Indianapolis.

Charlene was born on July 18, 1931 in Brooklyn, Ill. To Jesse and Edness (Daniels) Hale. She married Lawrence Williams on Nov. 11, 1950. He passed away on June 29, 1985. She worked for Marshall County Parkview Hospital and Saint Joseph Hospital, in the housekeeping department.

Charlene is survived by her children, Mickie (Peter) Dutcher of Culver, Cheryl (Ronald) Beatty of Plymouth, Larry Williams of Carlisle, Jimmie (Tina) Williams of Plymouth, Bobby Williams of Plymouth, Bea Williams of Plymouth and Betty Williams of Plymouth; 17 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her sons, Michael and Pat and her granddaughter, Holly L. Schoff.
Services will be held Saturday at 10:30 a.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison St., Plymouth, with Pastor Darrell Cardwell officiating. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

A time of sharing memories and visiting with the family will be Friday, from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home.

The family requests that memorial contributions be given to the choice of the donor.

D. Ray Minnix  Date of Death 2/28/2007

LAPAZ – A memorial service for D. Ray Minnix will be held on Sunday, March 18 at 3 p.m. at the American Legion Hall, 302 Kentucky St., Walkerton, to celebrate his life.

Ray passed away on Wednesday, Feb. 28 in his home in LaPaz. He is survived by one daughter and two sons: Tina (Steve) Phipps of Warsaw, Tracey (Renee) Minnix of Syracuse and Andrew Williams of North Liberty and a sister, Judy (Harold) Farver of Plymouth. His special lady was Carol Stafford of Phoenix, Ariz..<br>

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Carol Minnix, Syracuse; a son, Troy Minnix, Syracuse; his mother, Ruby Wireman, LaPaz and his father, Gomer Minnix, Silver Lake.

Ray attended Walkerton High School, leaving at 17 to join the Army. While in the Army, Ray excelled in marksmanship and joined the Military Police. He was the youngest M.P. in the United States Army at that time. After the Army, he was employed at Bendix Corporation where he retired in 2000 after 32 years.

Ray was an avid movie collector and an excellent pool player. In his prime, he was known as one of the best in the area. He owned a Recreation Parlor in the early 1960s in Walkerton. Ray had a great sense of humor and leaves many friends and family to mourn his loss.

The Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, is in charge of the arrangements.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family via the Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com

LAPAZ – D. Ray Minnix, 64, a lifetime area resident, died at his residence, following an illness at 9:36 a.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 28, 2007.

He was born in Knox on May 27, 1942, the son of Gomer and Ruby Jackson Minix.

He attended Walkerton High School.

While serving in the United States Army with the Military Police, he was acknowledged to be the youngest M.P. in the troops.

Ray was a machinist. He retired from the Bendix Corp. in South Bend.

He loved fast sports cars, beautiful women and played a great game of pool.

He will be missed by his many friends and family members.

Ray was a member of the LaPaz American Legion Post 385.

He is survived by a daughter and a son. They are Tina and Steve Phipps, Warsaw and Tracy and Renee Minnix, Syracuse.

Three grandchildren, one great-granddaughter and a sister, Judy and Harold Farver, Plymouth, survive as well.

Ray was preceded in death by his father, Gomer Minix, his mother, Ruby Wireman, a daughter,
Carol Ann Minnix and a son, Troy Minnix.

Graveside services, including military rites by the LaPaz American Legion, will be held in the Bremen Cemetery, Bremen, Indiana, at a later date.

The Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1110 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, is in charge of arrangements.

Memorial gifts in memory of Ray may be made to the Warsaw Animal Welfare League or the Warsaw 24 Hour Club.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family via the Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com

Kathleen E. Sherk Date of Death 2/28/2007

Bremen -- Kathleen E. Sherk, 81, of Bremen, died at 12:25 a.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 28 at Community Hospital of Bremen.

She is survived by her husband, Dale J. Sherk of Bremen, Daughter Linda (James) Moore of New Buffalo, Mich; son, Kevin Sherk and companion Rosalie Thacker of Bremen; Sister, Josephine Bowlby of Elkhart; one grandchild and three great grandchildren.

Graveside services will be conducted at a later date and burial will be at Olive (West) Cemetery, Wakarusa.

Memorials may be made to St. John United Church of Christ, Woodland or the American Red Cross.

Reith Rohrer Ehert Lienhart Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Charlotte Baker Date of Death 3/1/2007

Charlotte Baker, 86, of Bremen, passed away on Thursday, March 1, 2007, at Bremen Health Care Center. She was born on July 6, 1920, in North Twp., IN, to Walter & Lizzie (Kline) Beyler.

She married Russell Baker on November 16, 1940. He survives.

A lifetime area resident, Charlotte was a Homemaker, a member of the Riverside United Methodist Church and a 1938 graduate of Lapaz High School. Mom could take nothing and make it into something. She was gifted with many talents. She was a great cook and an excellent seamstress. She never took a backseat to sewing. She had a heart full of love.

Survivors include her Husband Russell Baker of Bremen, 2 sons: Richard (Karen) Baker of Bremen, Dean (Lee) Baker of Teegarden, 1 daughter: Janice (Roger) Patterson of Bremen, 7 grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren, 3 step-great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by: Infant son Donald Lee, 3 sisters: Beulah Dipert, Bertha Krathwohl, Ruth Pillow.

Services will be held on Monday, March 5, 2007, at 10:30 AM at Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen with Pastor Mike Dixon officiating. Burial will follow at the Bremen Cemetery. Friends may call from 3-7 PM Sunday, March 4, 2007, and 1 hour before services on Monday, at the funeral home.

Memorials contributions may be made to the Riverside United Methodist Church, American Heart Association, or to the cause of one’s choice.

Dwight David Insco Date of Death 3/1/2007
CANDLER, N.C. — Dwight Davis Inesco (Ike), 53, of Candler, N.C., formerly of La Crosse, died at Solace Hospice in Asheville, N.C.

He is survived by his wife, Cindy; daughter, Letha (Larry) West of LaPorte; son, Ronnie Inesco of Candler; daughter, Emily (Michael) of Rincon, Ga.; parents, Fred and Rosie Inesco of Plymouth; sister, Patty (Dan) Hatter of Culver; and six grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the Mountain Area Hospice, 85 Zillicoa St., Asheville, NC 28801.

Moody-Connolly Funeral Home, Brevard, N.C. is in charge of the arrangements.

Helen Bobby  Date of Death 3/3/2007

PLYMOUTH — Helen R. Bobby, 46, of 1687 N. Michigan St., Lot 148, Plymouth, passed away Saturday, March 3, 2007 at 9:09 a.m., at her home in Plymouth.

She was born on Dec.28, 1960 in East Chicago, Ind., to Robert and Dorothy (Pokraka) Bobby. She had lived in Plymouth for the past 20 years. She worked for Wal-Mart, in Plymouth, and when in Hammond, worked for the Shrine Circus. Helen was a devoted and caring person who worked for many causes that raised money for children.

Helen is survived by her mother, Dorothy Bobby of Plymouth; her sister, Linda (Bob) Schmidt of South Bend; her brother, Robert Bobby Jr. of Hammond; her sister, Barbara (Danny) Clements of Argos; her brother, Michael Bobby of Plymouth; her sister, Mary Elizabeth “Marie” Williams of Plymouth; her sister, Pamela Bobby of Hammond; and her brother, John T. Bobby of Plymouth. Also surviving are many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her father Robert Bobby Sr.

Memorial services will be held Saturday at 1:30 p.m. at Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, with the Rev. Father William Kummer officiating.

Visitation will be on Saturday from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home.

The Bobby family requests that memorial contributions be given to Riley Children’s Foundation, 30 South Meridian St., Indianapolis, IN 46201.

Friends may sign the guest book and share memories with the Bobby family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com

Myra Caban  Date of Death 3/5/2007

Myra Caban, 68, passed into the arms of her Savior at 7:55 a.m. Monday, March 5, 2007. A devoted mother and grandmother, Myra remained at home in the loving care and company of her family and the Marshall County Hospice.

Myra was born on November 23, 1938 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin the daughter of Herbert and Lucille (Schneider) Langnes and graduated from High School in 1956. On July 14th of that same year she married a charming Manuel Caban and together they enjoyed twenty-eight years of seeing their family grow. Manuel preceded Myra in death on April 21, 1984.

In 1967 the family moved to Plymouth and Myra took a job with Menser Industries where she served as an expert seamstress for the next 11 years. She then became employed by DelMonte Foods in production until a disability struck in 1988.

Myra loved to sew, especially little girl’s frilly dresses. She was also an accomplished quilt maker and has provided countless keepsakes for members of her family. She truly enjoyed an abiding relationship as a grandmother and great-grandmother. A good night of BINGO was never discouraged.
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She was a member of the New Hope Baptist Church of Knox and a former member of the Plymouth Women of the Moose #1355 and the American Legion Aux. of Overland Park, Kansas.

Survivors include her seven children; daughters: Kimberly Langnes of Milwaukee, Wis., Diana Caban of Lawrenceburg, Ind., Laura Caban of Plymouth and sons: Manuel (Jill) Caban, Jr. of Plymouth, Emilio Caban of Chicago, Luis (Tawny) Caban of Angola and Roberto (Jennifer) Caban of Plymouth including ten grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren.

Her surviving brothers are: Robert Langnes of Norton, Vir., James Langnes of Milwaukee, Wis. and sisters: Sandy (Donald) Peterson of Menominee Falls, Wis., Judy (Rubin) Showalter of Milwaukee, Karen (Lenny) Hereck of Racine, Wis. and Phyllis (Darwood) Olson of Park Falls, Wis.

She was preceded in death by her spouse, parents, sisters: Shirley Krieser, Virginia Millard, Lucy Devine and brothers: William, Herbert Jr. and Harold Langnes.

Family and friends are invited to pay tribute on Wednesday, March 7, 2007 from 4 – 8 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St. Plymouth where calling will continue after 7 a.m. on Thursday until time of services at 1 p.m. Services in the funeral home will be conducted by Rev. Tom Padberg, Chaplain of the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care.

Burial will follow in the New Oakhill Cemetery. Preferred are memorial gifts to the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, 112 S. Center St. Plymouth, Indiana 46563

Mark L. Bunn  Date of Death 3/6/2007

PLYMOUTH — Mark L. Bunn, 41, of Plymouth, died on Tuesday, March 6 at 7:15 p.m. at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, South Bend.

He is survived by his daughter, Amber Bunn of Bremen; son, Aaron Bunn of Bremen; and sisters: Karen (Dwayne) Potter of Plymouth and Patty Bunn of Plymouth.

There will be no visitation or funeral service.

Van Gilder Funeral Home, Plymouth, is in charge of the arrangements.

Gerald T. Wagner  Date of Death 3/6/2007

WINAMAC — Gerald T. "Jerry" Wagner, 63, of Winamac, died on Tuesday, March 6 at Starke Memorial Hospital.

He is survived by his wife, Wanda; daughters: Dawn (Shawn) Wagner of Romeo, Mich., Heather (Dan) Kowalski of Michigan, Becky (Rob) Clarke of Australia, Edith (Rick) Johns of Buffalo, Tammy (Tim) Floyd of Winamac and Tina Cress of Lucerne; nine grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

A memorial service will be held on Friday, March 9 at 3 p.m. (EST) at Fellowship Baptist Church, Winamac. Cremation will take place.

Memorials may be made to the family.

Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel, is in charge of the arrangements.

Ernest Ray Lauber  Date of Death 3/7/2007

ANDERSON — Ernest Ray Lauber, 84, died March 7, 2007 in Anderson. Services were held on Saturday, March 10, 2007 at the Robert D. Loose Funeral Home, Anderson.
Leona Spencer  Date of Death 3/7/2007

BREMEN — Leona Spencer, 76, of Bremen, died at 5:12 p.m. on Wednesday, March 7 at home.

She is survived by sons: Luther (Christina) Spencer of Bremen, Phillip (Linda) Spencer of Bremen, Anthony Spencer of Bremen and Douglas Spencer of South Bend; daughters: Samantha Troxel of South Bend, Doris Jean Latham of South Bend, Sandra (Keith) Schutz of LaPaz and Marilyn (Stoney) Cunningham of Plymouth; brothers: Luther Wright of Boston, Mass., Ford Wright of Carlisle, Ohio and Virgil Wright of Bremen; sisters: Ruby Campbell and Imogene Wilder, both of Jackson, Ky.; 13 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Friday, March 9 from 4 to 9 p.m. at the Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen.

Funeral services are Saturday, March 10 at 10:30 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at the Bremen Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the family.

Della Elizabeth Drake  Date of Death 3/8/2007

LAKELAND, Fla. – Della Elizabeth Drake, 88, formerly of Plymouth, died at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 8, 2007 in the Lakeland Regional Medical Center.

She is survived by her daughter, Cathy R. (Ed) Criswell of Lakeland, Fla.; son, David A. (Charlotte) Drake of Bonita Springs, Fla.; five granddaughters; sisters: Jean Michalski and Patricia A. Sporner, both of Plymouth; and brothers: Kenneth L. (Mary Ann) Luse of Plymouth and Wayne A. (Viola) Luse of Monon.

Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, March 13 and after 7 a.m. Thursday until time of services at 11 a.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth.

Burial will follow in the New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorials may be made to Salem United Methodist Church, Bremen, or the Marshall County Cancer Fund.


HEMET, Calif. — A memorial service was held on Saturday, March 17, 2007 at Hemet Valley Mortuary for James C. Myer, 74, of Hemet, Calif. Inurnment will be private at Riverside National Cemetery.

JC was born on Nov. 4, 1932 in South Bend and he passed away on March 8, 2007 at Hemet Valley Medical Center.

JC lived in Hemet for 44 years. He owned a computer billing company for 20 years. He was a member of the American Military Society, DAV, Soboba Springs Country Club and AARP. He was an avid golfer (one hole in one), avid bowler (two 300 games), a model railroader and an avid card player. He served in the U.S. Navy on the USS Missouri.

He is survived by his wife, Patricia “Patti,” his daughter, Tamara Lynn Barts of Bremen; his sons: Kelly J. Myer of Bremen and James C. Myer Jr. of Maple Valley, Wash.; his stepson, Jeffrey Weed; seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his brother, Ron Myer.

Services entrusted to the care of Hermet Valley Mortuary.
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Faith D. Crull  Date of Death 3/9/2007

LEITERS FORD — Faith D. Crull, 72, of Leiters Ford, died March 9, at her residence.

She is survived by her husband, Clinton “Bud” Crull of Leiters Ford, her daughter Angel Crull of Leiters Ford; sons: Nathan and Joy Crull of Phoenix, Ariz. and John “Chewy” and Debbie Crull of Leiters Ford; and seven grandchildren.

Visitation and services will be private.

Memorials may be made to the Fulton County Relay For Life in her name.

Arrangements are being handled by the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Clyde L. Alderfer  Date of Death 3/10/2007

TIPPECANOE — Clyde L. Alderfer, 71, of 7987 North S.R. 25, Tippecanoe, died at 4 p.m. on Saturday, March 10 at home. He had been in failing health for two years. He was born on Aug. 19, 1935 in Fulton County to Carl and Ruth (Ault) Alderfer. On Nov. 17, 1956 in Wabash, he married Patricia Ann Mellinger. She died May 7, 1979.

Living in this area most all of his life, he was a farmer and loved his green and yellow. He was also a maintenance man for the former Dytronic Company in Leesburg, where he retired. He was a disabled veteran of the Army National Guard. He was also a life member of the American Legion in Plymouth and he was past commander of the Disabled American Veterans Marshall County Chapter 42.

He is survived by three daughters: Beverly (Calvin) Davis of Pierceton, Carol Walton of Indianapolis and Lisa Alderfer of Palestine; two sons: David (Brenda) Alderfer of Mentone and Dennis Alderfer of Mentone; 18 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; daughter-in-law, Connie Alderfer of Warsaw; three sisters: Ruby (Earl) Thompson of Mentone, Mary Bruce of Mentone and Phyllis (Don) Schuster of LaPorte; and four brothers: Merl (Julie) Alderfer of Laketon, Myron Alderfer of Rochester, Howard (Alberta) Alderfer of Warsaw and Wayne (Labina) Alderfer of Cromwell.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Patricia; a son, Daniel Alderfer on Sept. 8, 2004; three brothers: Fred, Earl and Lloyd Alderfer; and one sister, Jessie Armstrong.

Visitation is Wednesday, March 14 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone.

Funeral services are Thursday, March 15 at 10:30 a.m. at the funeral home with Pastor Thomas Harman officiating.

Burial will be at the Mentone Cemetery. Graveside military rites will be conducted at the cemetery by the American Legion Post 49 and the VFW, both of Warsaw.

Memorials can be made to Kosciusko County Home Health Care & Hospice, 902 Provident Dr., P.O. Box 1196, Warsaw, IN 46581.

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Valeria M. Krathwohl  Date of Death 3/10/2007

PLYMOUTH — Valeria M. Krathwohl, 89, of 805 Baker St., #50, Plymouth, died Saturday, March 10, 2007 at 11:35 a.m. in her home.

She is survived by her son, Fredrick Krathwohl of Plymouth.

There will be no visitation or funeral service.

Van Gilder Funeral Home, Plymouth, is in charge of the arrangements.

Delorace Sons  Date of Death 3/10/2007

KNOX — Delorace Sons, 71, of Knox, died on Saturday, March 10 at Wintersong Village Nursing Home.

She is survived by sons: Roger Sons of Plymouth, Jerry Sons of Hamlet, Clarence Sons of Grovertown and Herman Lee Vires of Salyersville, Ky.

Funeral services were Wednesday, March 14 at 11 a.m. at Braman & Son Memorial Chapel, Knox.

Burial was at Round Lake Cemetery.

Alice Lucille Walker  Date of Death 3/10/2007

WALKERTON — Alice Lucille Walker, 87, of Walkerton, died Sunday, March 10, at Miller’s Merry Manor in Walkerton.

She is survived by two sons: Eugene J. Walker of Walkerton and John A. Walker of Palm Coast, Fla.
Evelyn Pauline Showalter  Date of Death 3/11/2007

LAKELAND, Fla. — Evelyn Pauline “Polly” (Troyer) Showalter, of Lakeland, Fla., died March 11, 2007. Born June 19, 1916 in Marion, to Harve and Della (Turner) Troyer, she was the last survivor of five sisters; two brothers died as infants. She was a 1935 graduate of Walton High School in Walton.

She married Earl Isaac Showalter, son of Ross and Hazel M. (Phares) Showalter, on Aug. 4, 1935. They had three daughters: Linda Irene (Kenneth J.) Balthaser of Fort Wayne, Marletta Antoinette “Tony” (Roger M.) Crouch of Lakeland, Fla. and Suzette Elaine (Frederic deceased) Harden of Parrish, Fla.

After raising their family near Plymouth, they owned a craft shop, Polly’s Playhouse, in the Farmers’ Market in South Bend, prior to making their retirement home in Bradenton, Fla. Following her husband’s death in 1983, she volunteered for the Westside Christian Church “Helping Hands” group and several other organizations. For many years, she made a crocheted blanket for each newborn baby at her church.

A gifted artist, she specialized as an egger while excelling in a number of crafts; and she enjoyed teaching people of all ages. Upon moving to Lakeland, Fla., she focused her volunteer activities at the schools where her daughter Tony taught. Known to the children as “Grandma Polly,” her wheelchair was a familiar and welcome sight at both Blake and Dr. Roberts elementary schools. She was honored by the Polk County School Board both as Northwest Area Volunteer of the Year in 2000-2001 and as Northwest Area Senior Volunteer of the Year in 2003-2004.

Her organization affiliations included Business and Professional Women, the National Egg Art Guild and the Isobel Taylor Invitational Egg Organization made up of eggers from east of the Mississippi River.

In addition to her three daughters, she is survived by four grandsons: Timothy Earl (Tylene) Crouch, Roger Todd (Theresa Goodelle) Crouch, Lance Robert Harden and Victor Frederic Harden; two great-grandsons: Jordan Timothy Crouch and Isaac Earl Agustus Crouch; and a number of cousins, nieces and nephews.

A member of North Lakeland Presbyterian Church, 6725 N. Socrum Loop Rd., Lakeland, FL 33809, she requested donations to the church building fund in lieu of flowers.

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**Lester W. Zeller  Date of Death 3/11/2007**

ROCHESTER — Lester W. Zeller, 85, of Rochester, died at 8:25 p.m. on Sunday, March 11 at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

He is survived by his wife, Marjorie R. Zeller of Rochester; daughters: Nancy (Ed) Bowman of Fort Wayne, Joyce (Chuck) Skinner of Lynn Haven, Fla., Carol (Ray) Huph of Henderson, Nev., Sharon (Doug) Harried of Trenton, Ill. and Judy (Jerry) Lewis of Rochester; 16 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren; daughter-in-law, Esther Crabill of Fort Wayne; and brother, Robert Zeller

Visitation is Wednesday, March 14 from 4 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to services Thursday at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Funeral services are Thursday, March 15 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. The LeRoy Shelton American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars will conduct military graveside rites.

Memorials may be made to Trinity United Methodist Church.

**Stanley W. Handschu  Date of Death 3/12/2007**

MARION — Stanley W. Handschu, 69, of Marion, died at 5:39 p.m. on Monday, March 12 at Lutheran Hospital of Indiana, Fort Wayne.

He is survived by his wife, Elaine (Warner) Handschu; son, Dan Handschu of Indianapolis; sister, Saybra Hoag (fiancé Bill Kudrna) of Janesville, Wis.; brother, Steven Handschu (fiancée Sue Rouch) of Kewanna; and brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Dell and Marian Kepler of Deltona, Fla., David and Katherine Warner of Cleveland, Ga. and Arthur Lamoin and Jean Banks of Reston, Va.

Visitation is Friday, March 16 from 4 to 8 p.m. at Raven-Choate Funeral Home, Marion, and one hour prior to services on Saturday at the church.
Funeral services are Saturday, March 17 at 11 a.m. at Sunnycrest United Methodist Church, Marion.

Burial will be in Gardens of Memory, Huntington County.

Memorials may be made to Sunnycrest United Methodist Church, 1921 W. Bradford St., Marion, IN 46952; the Marion-Grant County Humane Society, 2768 W. Avon Ave., Marion, IN 46952; or to a charity of the donor’s choice.

**Neil Patrick Moyer  Date of Death 3/12/2007**

PLYMOUTH - Neil Patrick Moyer, 49, a lifetime Plymouth area resident, died, following medical problems, in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne, at 11:08 a.m. on Monday, March 12, 2007.

Neil was born in Plymouth, the son of Robert Lee and Luella M. Zehner Moyer, on June 26, 1957.

He graduated from Plymouth High School with the class of 1975.

He had worked as a heavy equipment operator.

Neil loved classic cars, especially of the vintage of the year he was born, 1957.

He is survived by his mother, Luella, Plymouth, and a son, Patrick Moyer, Culver, and a grandson, Jayden Moyer, Star City.

Two sisters and two brothers also survive. They are: Yvonne and Gerald Quint and Diane Johnson, all of Plymouth. His brothers are: Jim Moyer, also of Plymouth, and Doug Moyer, Stoughton, Wis.

His father, Robert, preceded Neil in death.

Friends will be welcomed by Neil’s family on Thursday, March 15, 2007, from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Neil will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, March 16, 2007, in the funeral home. The Rev. Dr. Ronald Liechty will officiate.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Neil’s memory may be made to the American Cancer Association.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family via: www.johnson-danielson.com

**Ilo Clark  Date of Death 3/16/2007**

ETNA GREEN — Ilo Clark, 94, of Etna Green, died at 3:15 a.m. on Friday, March 16 in Mason Health Care Facility of Warsaw.

She is survived by a step-daughter, Nancy and Robert Hammon of San Marcus, Texas and a sister-in-law, Mabel Yazel Baney of Florida.

Visitation is from 9:30 a.m. to the time of services on Tuesday at the Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, 115 S. Main St., Bourbon.

Services are Tuesday at 11 a.m. with the Rev. Dennis Bollenbacher officiating.

Burial will be at Etna Green Cemetery.
Memorial contributions may be made to the Etna Green Church of Christ in her memory.

**Eliza Jane Miller  Date of Death 3/16/2007**

GROVERTOWN — Eliza Jane Miller, 88, of Grovertown, died Friday, March 16 at Starke Memorial Hospital, Knox.

She is survived by five sons: Homer and Pam Miller, Arnie Miller and Richard Miller, all of Grovertown; Raymond and Trella Miller of Salyersville, Ky. and Lee and Angie Miller of Bremen; one daughter: Rita and Butch Mullins of Grovertown; 13 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren and step-sons: Lester Miller and John Miller, both of Jackson, Ky.

Visitation is at the Gospel Lighthouse Church in Delong Monday from 4 to 9 p.m., EST.

There will be a prayer service Monday at 7 p.m. at the church.

Services will be Tuesday at 1 p.m., EST at the church. with Rev. Floyd Allen officiating.

Burial will be at Fletcher Cemetery, Hamlet.

Memorial contributions may be made to the church.

Rannells Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

**Linda Helene Rapp  Date of Death 3/16/2007**

Linda Helene Rapp, 64, of Kokomo, died at 7:50 a.m. on Friday, March 16 at Saint Vincent Hospital, Indianapolis.

She was born on Dec. 29, 1942 in Bourbon to George F. and Helene (Linn) Reichert. On April 29, 1962 in Bourbon she married David L. Rapp, who survives. She graduated from Bourbon High School in 1960. She also attended Indiana University and graduated from Indiana Business College in Kokomo. For 28 years she worked at the Kokomo High School bookstore and also sold Avon for many years.

She was a member of First Baptist Church in Kokomo, and participated in Mary Martha Circle at the church. She also played in a Euchre Club. She enjoyed doing charity work by sewing lap quilts and donating them to area nursing homes and putting together gift bags for the Mental Health Association in Kokomo. She also enjoyed reading, crafts and attending her grandchildren's sporting events.

She is survived by her husband, David; daughters: Kalene (Dave) Skiles of Kokomo and Krista (Don) Spall of Kokomo; four grandchildren: Lee and Evan Skiles, and Garrett and Shelby Spall, all of Kokomo. She was preceded in death by her parents and one brother, Ron Reichert.

Visitation is Tuesday, March 20 from 4 to 8 p.m. at Ellers Mortuary, Webster Street Chapel, 3400 S. Webster St., Kokomo. Funeral services are Wednesday, March 21 at 10 a.m. at the mortuary with Pastor Paul Martin officiating. Burial will be at Albright Cemetery, Kokomo. Memorials may be made to the donor's choice. Messages may be e-mailed to condolences@ellersmortuary.com

KOKOMO — Linda Helene Rapp, 64, of Kokomo, died at 7:50 a.m. on Friday, March 16 at Saint Vincent Hospital, Indianapolis. She was born on Dec. 29, 1942 in Bourbon to George F. and Helene (Linn) Reichert. On April 29, 1962 in Bourbon she married David L. Rapp, who survives.

She graduated from Bourbon High School in 1960. She also attended Indiana University and graduated from Indiana Business College in Kokomo. For 28 years she worked at the Kokomo High School bookstore and also sold Avon for many years. She was a member of First Baptist Church in Kokomo, and participated in Mary Martha Circle at the church. She also played in a Euchre Club. She enjoyed doing charity work by sewing lap quilts and donating them to area
She also enjoyed reading, crafts and attending her grandchildren's sporting events.

She is survived by her husband, David; daughters: Kalene (Dave) Skiles of Kokomo and Krista (Don) Spall of Kokomo; four grandchildren: Lee and Evan Skiles, and Garrett and Shelby Spall, all of Kokomo.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one brother, Ron Reichert.

Visitation is Tuesday, March 20 from 4 to 8 p.m. at Ellers Mortuary, Webster Street Chapel, 3400 S. Webster St., Kokomo.

Funeral services are Wednesday, March 21 at 10 a.m. at the mortuary with Pastor Paul Martin officiating.

Burial will be at Albright Cemetery, Kokomo.

Memorials may be made to the donor’s choice.

Messages may be e-mailed to condolences@ellersmortuary.com

Robert E. Reese  Date of Death 3/16/2007

BREMEN — Robert E. Reese, 81, died at 11:25 a.m. Friday, March 16, in Community Hospital of Bremen.

Survivors include his wife, Janice Marshall; son, Jeffery Reese of Bremen; daughters, Candiese (Bob) Walls and Rebecca (Jim) Thompson, both of Syracuse, and Jill Greene (partner, Frank Rupp) of Plymouth; seven grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; brothers, Richard Reese of Plymouth and Bill (Martha) Reese of Bremen; and two sisters, Jane Ringo of Bremen and Joyce Manning of Plymouth.

Visitation will be from 10 a.m. until time of services in the funeral home on Tuesday, March 20.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen, with Pastor Chuck Krieg officiating. Burial will be at Bremen Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the family of Robert E. Reese or to the Bremen Community Hospital.

Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen is assisting the family with arrangements.

Condolences may be sent via the funeral home’s Web site at www.mishlerfuneralhomes.com.

George W Badiac  Date of Death 3/17/2007

ELKHART — George W. Badiac, 72, of Elkhart, died on Saturday, March 17 at Elkhart General Hospital.

He is survived by his wife, Claudine (Yates) Badiac; daughters: Bambi of Denver, Colo. And Robin (Jerry) Clancy of Newark, Ill.; sons: Grant Nash of Benton Harbor, Mich. And Greg (Connie) Nash of Wakarusa; eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

There will be no visitation. Cremation will take place with memorial services at a later date.

Burial will be at a later date at Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Billings Funeral Home, Elkhart, is in charge of the arrangements.

FORT WAYNE — R. Kent Bolton, 75, of Fort Wayne, died Saturday, March 17 at home.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Ann Bolton of Fort Wayne; son, Matthew (Karen) Bolton of Zionsville; brother, George Bolton of Lawton, Mich.; and two grandchildren.

Visitation is Tuesday, March 20 from 6 to 9 p.m. at the D.O. McComb & Sons Funeral Home, Fort Wayne.

Funeral services are Wednesday, March 21 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home.

A masonic graveside service will be held Wednesday at 3 p.m. at the Bremen Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Shriner’s Hospital for Children.

Dorothy Freet  Date of Death 3/17/2007

GROVERTOWN — Dorothy Freet, 72, of Grovertown, died on Saturday, March 17 at home.

She is survived by her husband, Robert Freet; daughter, Valarie Kotras Barnett of Reynolds Station, Ky.; son, Kenneth Kotras of Knox; stepsons: Robert Freet Jr. of Rochester and Mark Freet of Tennessee; 13 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Wednesday, March 21 at 10 a.m. CDT until the time of services at 1 p.m. at the Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel.

Burial will be at Fletcher Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Starke County Hospice, 11 S. Main St., Knox, IN 46534.

Mary Agnes VanGelder  Date of Death 3/17/2007

SOUTH BEND — Mary Agnes van Gelder, 86, of South Bend, died on Saturday, March 17 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center in South Bend.

She is survived by four sons: Jan (Diane) van Gelder of Dennison, Texas, James (Ann) van Gelder of Bremen, Terry van Gelder of Portland, Ore. And Frank (Kate) van Gelder of Tacoma, Wash.; eight grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren; and sister, Helen Tanguay of Bridgeport, Conn.

Visitation is Wednesday, March 21 from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. at Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, March 21 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Dominic’s Catholic Church in Bremen.

Burial will be at the Bremen Cemetery.

Clara T Baker  Date of Death 3/18/2007

PLYMOUTH — Clara T. Baker, a lifetime Marshall County resident, died unexpectedly at 5:35 a.m. of natural causes on Sunday, March 18, 2007, in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth. She was 93 years old.

Clara, the daughter of Fredrick and Sadie Rieken Huge, was born in White County, Ind., on Christmas Eve, Dec. 24, 1913.
She was a 1931 grade of West High School.

In her parents' home in West Twp., on the 21st of May, 1933, Clara became the bride of Delbert R. Baker. Delbert, following a week shy of 65 years of marriage, died on April 2, 1998.

A homemaker, Clara helped her husband on their farm and did housekeeping for others. She enjoying sewing and gardening.

A member of the Shiloh Wesleyan Church, Plymouth, Clara had taught Sunday School for 20 years and she was very active in the Mission Society of the Church.

She is survived by two beloved sons and daughters and their spouses. They are: Harold W. and Josephine Baker, Plymouth, Keith M. and Ines Baker, Buchanan, Mich., Dorothy and Gilbert Berrier, Bremen and Jeanette and Robert Vermillion, Lakeville.

Ten grandchildren also survive along with two step-grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

A brother and sister-in-law, Paul S. and Norene Huge and a sister, Mabel Musser, all of Monticello, survive as well.

Clara was preceded in death by her parents, her husband and three sisters: Dorothy Berger, Edna E. Cleveland and Louise Shively. Two brothers have also died: Fred Huge and August Huge.

Friends are invited to come and celebrate the life of Clara Baker with her family from 4 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, March 22, 2007 and continuing after 7 a.m. on Friday, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, and at the church on Friday, one hour prior to services.

Funeral services for Clara will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, March 23, 2007 at the Shiloh Wesleyan Church, 10532 4B at King Rd., Plymouth. The Rev. John Perkinson, pastor of the church, will officiate.

Interment will be in the Bremen Cemetery, Bremen.

Memorial gifts in Clara’s memory may be made to the Shiloh Wesleyan Church.

Notes of condolence or sharing of memories may be sent to the family via: www.johnson-danielson.com.

Penny Hershberger  Date of Death 3/18/2007

ETNA GREEN — Penny Hershberger, 48, of Etna Green, died at 7 a.m. on Sunday, March 18 in Nappanee.

She is survived by her husband, Rex Hershberger; sons: Jared Hershberger of Burlington, Iowa and Bret Hershberger, at home; parents, Paul and Patricia Parks of Nappanee; and brother, Patrick (Michelle) Parks of Shelbyville.

Visitation is Tuesday, March 20 from 2 to 8 p.m. at Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee, and one hour prior to services Wednesday.

Funeral services are Wednesday, March 21 at 10:30 a.m. at Mt. Tabor Church of God.

Burial will be at Stony Point Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Mt. Tabor Church of God.
Minerva A. Schoberg  Date of Death 3/18/2007

PLYMOUTH — Minerva A. Schoberg, 78, of 311 Webster Ave., Plymouth, passed away Sunday, March 18, 2007 at her home.

Minerva was born in East Chicago, Ind., on Aug. 28, 1928, to Nicholas and Elizabeth (German) Komanich. Minerva and Donald G. Schoberg were married on Feb. 6, 1949 in Donaldson. Together they raised their five children.

Minerva was a member of Saint Paul's Lutheran Church in Bremen. She enjoyed helping her husband as West Township's Trustee, but mostly enjoyed being a wife, mother and grandmother.

Minerva is survived by her sons: Steve and Patricia Schoberg of Plymouth and Paul and Valori Schoberg of Plymouth; her daughters: Martha and Patrick Conley of Plymouth, Vickie and Rex Miller of Plymouth and Maria and Robert Pesak of Plymouth. Also surviving are 18 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; her sisters: Elizabeth and Glenn Wade of Plymouth and Sylvia and Williams Tallarita of Plymouth. Her sister, Mary Jean Espich, preceded her in death.

The funeral service will be held Friday, March 23, 2007 at 10:30 a.m. at Saint Paul's Lutheran Church LCMS, in Bremen, with the Rev. Roger Rohde and the Rev. Neil Wonnacott officiating. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

A time of visiting and sharing memories, with Minerva's family, will be on Thursday, March 22, 2007 from 4 to 80 p.m. at the VAN GILDER FUNERAL HOME 300 West Madison St., Plymouth.

The Schoberg family would like for memorial contributions to be given to Saint Paul's Lutheran Church, 605 S. Center St., Bremen, IN 46506.

Friends may sign the guest book and share memories with the Schoberg family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com

BERNENA I TROYER  Date of Death 3/18/2007

BREMEN — Berneta I. Troyer, 80, of Bremen, died at 3:27 a.m. on Sunday, March 18 at Community Hospital of Bremen.

Visitation is Thursday, March 22 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. at the Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen.

Funeral services are Friday, March 23 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at the Bremen Cemetery.
James N. Carlson  Date of Death 3/19/2007

KOONTZ LAKE — James N. Carlson, 76, of Titusville, Fla., formerly of Koontz Lake, died on Monday, March 19 in Titusville.

He is survived by daughter, Lisa Dykstra of Hermosa, Calif.; sisters: Beryl Green of Argos and Sandra Carlson of Koontz Lake; brother, Richard Carlson of Titusville, Fla. And five grandchildren.

Visitation is Monday, March 26 from 6 to 8 p.m. CDT and Tuesday, March 27 from 11 a.m. until the time of services at the Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel.

Funeral services are Tuesday, March 27 at 1 p.m. CDT at the funeral home.

Burial will be at the Groversett Cemetery.

Denzil O. Sweeney  Date of Death 3/19/2007

HAMLET — Denzil O. Sweeney, 75, of Hamlet, died on Monday, March 19 at his son’s home.

He is survived by daughters: Venita Nowatzke of Hamlet, Viola Sullivan of Plymouth, Virginia Delap of Argos and Valora Palmer of Culver; son, Jeff Sweeney of Walkerton; nine grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren and sister, Icylene Stigall of Shelby, Ohio.

Visitation is Wednesday, March 21 from 5 to 8 p.m. and Thursday after 9 a.m. at the Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel.

Funeral services are Thursday, March 22 at 11 a.m. CDT at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Fletcher Cemetery, Hamlet.

Joseph D., Jr. Heiser  Date of Death 3/20/2007

CULVER — Joseph D. “Joe” Heiser Jr., 89 of Culver, passed away at 5:45 p.m. on Tuesday, March 20, 2007 at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center in Plymouth.

Joe was born at home in the Culver area to Joseph D. Heiser Sr. and Eva M. Davis on Nov. 27, 1917. He was a 1935 graduate of Culver High School. He was married on Jan. 30, 1938 at Knox to Lucille Heiser. They were blessed with two daughters.

Joe and Lucille owned and operated the Burr Oak Hardware Store for many years. He also farmed and worked at Burt’s Body Shop in Plymouth. Later in life Joe attended classes at Purdue University to obtain his electrician license. He was a member of Plymouth Kilwinning Masonic Lodge #149 F & AM in Plymouth and was a 32 Degree Mason. He was a deacon and member in the Union Church of the Brethren serving the church in any way he could. He will be sadly missed by his family and friends.

Joe is survived by his wife, Lucille Heiser of Culver; daughters: Sharon E. (Ben) Mevis of Culver and Linda A. (Jerry) Cooper of Honolulu, Hawaii; seven grandchildren: Brandon Cooper, Marvin (Kennedy) Cooper, Jenny Cooper, David (Katrina) Mevis, Bonnie Jo Mevis, Tracy (Tina) Mevis and Kent (Chandra) Mevis, and nine great-grandchildren: Holland and Avah Cooper, Levi and Krista Mevis, Makayla, Andrew and Harrison Mevis, and Mikah and Lydia Mevis. He was preceded in death by his father, Joseph D. Heiser Sr.; mother, Eva M. Heiser; two brothers: David and Robert; two half-brothers: Russell and William Heiser; one sister, Erma Rose Slonaker; one granddaughter, Janet Mevis and great-grandson Jonas Mevis.

Visitation will be at Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver on Friday, March 23, 2007 from 3 to 8
Ann Prusinski  Date of Death 3/20/2007

PLYMOUTH — Ann Prusinski, 92, of Plymouth, passed away Friday, March 20, 2007. She was a Plymouth resident for the past 13 years and was formerly a longtime Calumet region resident and the owner and operator of NB Foods of Gary and A&J Foods in Black Oak.

She is survived by one son, Ronald G. (Barbara) Prusinski of Plymouth; one daughter, Sharon A. (Jack) Meyers of Chesterson; four grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and one sister, Frances Voris of Florida.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John J. Prusinski; one brother, Michael Coban; and two sisters: Mary Donda and Theresa Christenson.

Funeral services are Wednesday, April 25 at 10 a.m. at Rees Funeral Home, 600 W. Old Ridge Road, Hobart. Burial will follow at Calvary Cemetery, Portage. Visitation is Tuesday, April 24 from 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. at Rees Funeral Home, Hobart Chapel. www.reesfuneralhomes.com

Jane Carol Marquardt Creed  Date of Death 3/21/2007

Jane Carol Marquardt Creed, 74, passed away suddenly in her Walkerton home on March 21, 2007 of a massive heart attack.

Born Aug. 20, 1932 in Bronx, N.Y., along with twin sister Janet, to late parents Florence and Dallas Marquardt. In the late ’30s, the family moved back to their parents’ family state of Indiana and settled in Gary. Jane and twin sister Janet attended Lew Wallace High School and were one set of five twins in their graduating class of 1950. Both twins attended and graduated from Purdue University. Jane then began a teaching career working with special education students. Later, she married Milford Creed, a U.S. Steel design engineer, and together they had four children. She was a “professional mom” in every way, making her family the most important priority of her life. In 1970, she and her family moved to Walkerton. She enjoyed flower gardening and fine art, among so many things. She was always thankful for the little things the most; like a good cup of coffee and a phone call from a friend. After her children were all out of the house, she provided home care services to many in the northern Indiana community. Her sincere compassion for others in need was endless. Twenty years after her youngest children had graduated high school, she was still getting hugs from grown-up kids that would see her in the local grocery store and would stop to say that they remembered coming over to her house as kids. She would always sweetly put her arm around their shoulders and ask them “If they had had enough to eat today?” Her kitchen was always open and well stocked!

She is survived by her loving family: twin sister, Janet McCarty of Dunlap, Ill.; daughter, Lisa Creed Much of Dallas; son, Stuart Creed of San Diego; daughter, Amy Creed of Dallas; son, David Creed of Chicago; ex-husband of 42 years, Milford Creed of Kerrville, Texas; and one loving and handsome grandson, William Creed, who fondly called her “Grandma Jane.” Of course, there are many kind in-laws and dear lifelong friends all over the world that will miss her big smile and big heart.
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Paul Crittenden  Date of Death 3/22/2007

TAMPA, Fla. — Paul Crittenden, 92, of Tampa, Fla., died on Thursday, March 22.

He is survived by a son, Mark (Diane) Crittenden of Tampa, Fla.; three grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

A memorial service will be held at Brewer and Sons Funeral Home, South Tampa Chapel, on Monday, April 2 at 7:30 p.m.

Burial will be at the Bremen Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to LifePath Hospice.


Roger Gene Burkett, 63, of North Judson, died on Friday, March 23 at LaPorte Hospital.

He is survived by his wife, Wilma “Stacy” Burkett; sons: Bradley (Jeannie) Burkett of Aldine and Steven (Frances) Burkett of Leesburg, Fla.; daughters: Margaret (Doug) Radtke of Aldine and Angela (Wesley) Radtke of Aldine; nine grandchildren; brothers: Gary (Bev) Burkett of Ora and Randy (Jerry) Burkett or Culver; and sisters: Mary Ann (Bill) Martin of Culver and Linda (Bob, deceased) Drang of Pisgah, Ala. and Judy (Earl) Tillman of Flat Rock, Ala.

Visitation is Monday, March 26 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Braman & Bailey Funeral Home, North Judson. Funeral services are Tuesday, March 27 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at Highland Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Starke County 4-H Fair.

Riley Paul Fieser  Date of Death 3/23/2007

CULVER — Riley Paul Fieser, 86, of 1285 S. 1200 E., Culver, died at 2:55 p.m. on Friday, March 23, 2007, in the LaPorte Hospital, LaPorte.

Riley was born in Knox on Jan. 27, 1921, the son of Rollie David and Lydia Ransbottom Fieser.

In World War II, Riley served his country as a Sergeant in the Cavalry. He enlisted in Indianapolis in 1944, and was discharged in 1945.

On July 26, 1940, in South Bend, Riley and Marie Wood were married. Marie died on October 19, 1998. He later married Doris Bily on Feb. 19, 2000, in Hobart.

A salesman, he was employed by Tri-Supply Company and Thompson Hayward Chemical Company for 20 years, retiring in September of 1981. He also worked for the Studebaker Company in South Bend for 14 years.

He lived in South Bend for 12 years, LaPaz for seven years and later at Gary, Appleton, Wis., Shawano, Wis., Port Charlotte, Fla. and Knox.

Riley was a member of the Masonic Lodge 349 in Appleton, Wis., the Scottish Rite in Green Bay, Wis., and the Shriner Beja Temple, also in Green Bay.

He is survived by his wife, Doris, Culver and by two daughters, three sons, and four step sons.

His daughters are: Sharon (Rudy) Tinglof, Culver and Carol Fieser, Greenville, Wis.
His sons are Jerry (Rose) Fieser, Hebron, Roger (Linda) Fieser, Arlington Heights, Ill. and Riley D. (Mary) Fieser, Greenville, Wis.

His step sons are Robert Bily, Northlake, Ill., Michael Bily, Wheaton, Ill., Thomas Bily, Corpus Christi, Texas, and David Bily, St. Charles, Ill.

Riley is survived by nine grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren

A sister, Linnie Marie Risner, Deland, Fla., also survives.

Riley was preceded in death by his parents, his first wife and a brother, Richard L. Fieser.

Friends will be welcomed by Riley’s family to celebrate his life and share memories from 3 to 7 p.m. EDT on Sunday, April 1, 2007, and will continue Monday morning after 7 a.m. EDT at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Visitation will also be held one hour prior to funeral services at the church. Services for Riley will be held at 1 p.m. in the Pretty Lake Trinity United Methodist Church, 8985 State Road 17, where he was a member, on Monday, April 2, 2007. The Rev Jim Irwin pastor of the church, will officiate.

Burial will be in Burr Oak Cemetery, Culver.

Memorial gifts in Riley’s name may be made to the church.

David Grant Dunkin  Date of Death 3/24/2007

David Grant Dunkin, 72, of Bremen passed away Saturday, March 24 at Bremen Health Care Center.

He was born May 11, 1934 in Wolcott to Leslie E. and Nellie E. (Hollingsworth) Dunkin. David was a lifetime Bremen resident. He delivered newspapers and worked at the Copper Kettle Restaurant.

He was a member of Bremen Bible Church, an avid marathon runner, honorary member of the Bremen Kiwanis, he was given the official title of Bremen's No. 1 Fan. His favorite memory verse John 3:16 "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life."

He is survived by his sister, Dorthea Looney of Chatsworth, N.J. and five nieces and nephews: Kathy, Kris, Betsy, Tim and Terry. He was preceded in death by his parents and two sisters: Edith Ting and Miriam Hobbs. Services will be held 2 p.m. Tuesday, March 27 at the Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen. Dr. Duane Beals will officiate. Burial will follow in Bremen Cemetery. Friends may call from noon to 2 p.m. prior to the service Tuesday at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be given to Bremen Bible Church or the Bremen High School Athletic Department. Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen is assisting the family with arrangements.

Please send the family a condolence at www.mishlerfuneralhomes.com

Leona Esther McCune  Date of Death 3/24/2007

Leona Esther McCune, 99, of Bokeelia, Fla. and Mt. Pleasant, Mich. died on March 24, 2007. She was born on Feb. 13, 1908 in Bremen. She was a longtime resident on a farm near Argos and moved to Mt. Pleasant, Mich. to be near her daughter. She was the wife of the late Merle B. McCune.

She is survived by her children, Kenneth (Joan) of Rochester, Joy Sue Ecker (Louis) of
Leona was a dedicated wife, mother and homemaker. She was a talented seamstress, making many clothes for herself and family. She enjoyed many crafts and loved vegetable and flower gardening. She was a member of the Poplar Grove United Methodist Church, Culver, the Maxinkuckee Rebekah Lodge, Eastern Star, Marshall County Homemakers Club and 4-H club leader.

A memorial service was conducted at the Pine Island United Methodist Church, Bokeelia, Fla. and a memorial service will be held April 21, 2007 at 11 a.m. at the Poplar Grove United Methodist Church, 15354 State Road 10, Culver. Burial will be at the Poplar Grove Cemetery, Culver.

In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be sent to the Poplar Grove United Methodist Church, 15354 S.R. 10, Culver, IN 46511.

Leona Esther McCune, 99, of Bokeelia, Fla. and Mt. Pleasant, Mich. died on March 24, 2007. She was born on Feb. 13, 1908 in Bremen. She was a longtime resident on a farm near Argos and moved to Mt. Pleasant, Mich. to be near her daughter. She was the wife of the late Merle B. McCune.

She is survived by her children, Kenneth (Joan) of Rochester, Joy Sue Ecker (Louis) of Weidman, Mich. and James (MariEdd) of Argos; seven grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

Donald E. Jefferies  Date of Death 3/25/2007

PLYMOUTH — Donald E. Jefferies, 74, of 118 Candy Ln., Plymouth, passed away Sunday, March 25, 2007 at 4:20 a.m. at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, South Bend.

Donald was born on Oct. 16, 1932 in Argos to Lee and Ethel (Schuh) Jefferies. Donald was a lifelong resident of the Marshall County area. He graduated from Argos High School in 1950. He retired from the heat treat department of Bremen Bearing after 39 years of service. Donald also served his country in the United States Air Force during the Korean War. In November 1982, he married Rosella Overmyer Kirkendall. Donald loved to bowl and bowled at Quick's Lanes on the Monday Bowling League.

Donald is survived by his wife, Rosella Jefferies; son, Donovan (Lynn) Kirkendall of Mattawan, Mich., daughter, Deanna White of Port Richey, Fla., daughter, Deloris (Kevin) Mills of Paw Paw, Mich., daughter, Denese (Ruben) Garrido of Elkhart; and son, and Daniel (Heather) Kirkendall of Nokomis, Fla. Also surviving are 16 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Donald was preceded in death by his parents, his sister, Helen B. Millow, and his brother, Eugene Jefferies.

Funeral services for Donald will be held on Thursday, March 29, 2007 at 10:30 a.m. at the Van
Khambod Sayavongsing  Date of Death 3/25/2007

PLYMOUTH — Khambod Sayavongsing, 63, of Plymouth, died on Sunday, March 25 at home.

He is survived by his wife, Bounpheng; daughters: Photchany Susan and Leon Li of Oak Park, Illi. And Mon Sayavongsing and her fiancé, Jason Carroll of Raleigh, N.C.; son, Jovee Santy and Stacy Sayavongsing of Culver; four grandchildren; seven siblings: Tong Lot, Bor Xay, Chan Xay, Tong Bai, Soum Chai, Tong Mai and Prong Mai Lai.

Visitation is Friday, March 30 from 4 to 8 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth.

Funeral services will be at 3 p.m. on Saturday, March 31 in the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ.

Doris Jean Boocher  Date of Death 3/26/2007

WARSAW — Doris Jean Boocher, 60, of Warsaw, died Monday, March 26 at her residence.

She is survived her husband, Michael Boocher, sons: Don B. Boocher of Warsaw, James (Kay) Ludwig of Mentone, Scott (Tammy) Boocher of Warsaw, Todd (Amy) Boocher of Morgantown, Ky.; sisters: Joanne (Bob) Service of Plymouth, Joy (Wayne) Williams of Syracuse; and brother, David (Cindy) Wheeler of South Bend; eight grandchildren; and her father, Buel Wheeler.

Services will be held Thursday, March 29 at 2 p.m. at Mishler-Eastlund Funeral Home in Milford.

Burial will be at the Oak Wood Cemetery in Warsaw.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Boocher Family.

Lamoine Gressley  Date of Death 3/26/2007

LAPORTE — Lamoine Gressley, 68, of LaPorte, formerly of Koontz Lake, died on Monday, March 26 in Fountainview Terrace Nursing Home, LaPorte.

He is survived by sisters: Sharon Scott and Ethelyn Young, both of Koontz Lake; niece, Penny Sweeney and nephews: Ed and Jerry Young and Lance and Lynn Scott.

There will be no visitation. Graveside services will be held Friday, March 30 at 11 a.m. CDT at Woodlawn Cemetery, Walkerton.

Memorials may be made to the Lions Eye Bank c/o Koontz Lake Lions Club, 7984 N. Hwy. 23, Walkerton, IN 46574.

Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel, is in charge of the arrangements.

Stephen Molnar  Date of Death 3/26/2007

Mr. Molnar is survived by three sisters: Judy Wiktorowski of Goshen, Helen Ayers of Plymouth and Elsie Mroczkiewicz of South Bend; one brother, Andrew Barna of Texas and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by two sisters: Sophie Tokay and Marge Houser and six brothers: Lewis, Frank, Gene, Joe, Mike and John Molnar.

Mr. Molnar served his country in the United States Marine Corp during World War II. He was employed by the Studebaker Corporation and retired from AM General after 20-plus years of service. He loved his cat, Tiger and his dog, Penny.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, March 29, 2007 in the Palmer Funeral Home, 314 S. Michigan St., Lakeville. Rev. Tina Velthuizen, pastor of the Church of the Holy Trinity, South Bend will officiate. Burial will follow in Southlawn Cemetery, South Bend. Friends may visit with the family from 4 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 28, 2007 in the funeral home.

Contributions in memory of Stephen Molnar may be made to the American Cancer Society, 601 W. Edison Road, Mishawaka, IN 46545.

W. Vance Albert Date of Death 3/27/2007

CULVER — W. Vance Albert was born Dec. 8, 1927 to Howard Glen and Lillie Mae Snapp Albert at home in Hibbard.

He attended grade school in Hibbard and Culver and graduated from Culver High School in the class of 1945 and immediately enlisted in the U.S. Navy. He served aboard a mine sweeper in the Pacific.

On Sept. 14, 1948, in Jeffersonville, Vance married Marjorie Mae Caler. Their marriage was blessed with three children: Howard Gene (Toni) from Argos, Boni Mae (Dean) Danner from Wauksha, Wis. and Norman Vance from Hibbard, plus nine grandchildren.

Vance is also survived by two brothers: Virgil Eugene of Spokane, Wash. and Fredrick Vaughn of Ft. Wayne.

Vance worked as an upholsterer for 30 years, becoming very skilled in the trade. He then went
to work for McGills and retired from the Valparaiso plant.

Vance enjoyed fishing, rabbit hunting and was a skilled gardener.

Visitation will be from 2 to 8 p.m. EDT at the Bonine-Odom Funeral Home in Culver on Friday, March 30. The funeral service will be on Saturday, March 31 at the Faith Baptist Church on the corner of Peach and 13th Roads at 11 a.m. EDT with visitation starting at 10 a.m.

Any memorial gifts may be given to the Faith Baptist Church. Letters of condolence may be sent to the family via the obituary page at www.boineodom.com.

Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, is in charge of arrangements.


KNOX — Ellen S. McFarland, 86, of Knox, died Tuesday, March 27.

She is survived by her children: Nancy McFarland of Knox and Clyde W. McFarland of Culver; sisters: Ailene Howard of Knox and Goldie Stacy of Kentucky; two grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Visitation is Saturday, March 31 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the M.C. Smith Funeral Home, Knox.

Funeral services are Saturday, March 31 at 1 p.m. at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the California Township Fire Department or cash donations or canned vegetables to the local Community Food Pantry in Knox.

Evelyn M. Schmidt  Date of Death 3/30/2007

PLYMOUTH — Evelyn M. Schmidt, 91, of 620 Bayless Str., Plymouth, passed away on Friday, March 30, at 5 a.m. at Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth.

Evelyn was born on Aug. 20, 1915 in West Union, Iowa, to Harry and Jennie (Drewes) Turner. On Aug. 25, 1936, she and Victor Schmidt were married in West Union, Iowa.

Victor passed away on Dec. 8, 1999. Evelyn had retired as a library administrator in Illinois after 23 years of service. She was a member of the Immanuel Lutheran Church.

Evelyn enjoyed playing bridge with her friends, doing word puzzles, reading and gardening.

Evelyn is survived by her daughter, Margaret (Peg) and Robert Schulte of Bremen; her grandchildren, Richard and Lori Schulte of Oswego, Ill., Rebecca and Tony Martin of Etna Green and Jeffrey and Becky Schulte of Montgomery, Ill.; her great-grandchildren, Caitlyn Schulte, Conner Schulte, Zachary Schulte, Darius Stevens, Abigail Stevens, Sara Stevens, Danielle Martin, Dylon Martin, Tray Martin and Caleb Martin; her sisters-in-law Sylvia Peters of Carson City, Nev. And Marty Turner of Branson, Mo.

Also surviving are several nieces and nephews.

Evelyn was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Victor and her brother Sam Turner. Funeral services will be held on Thursday, April 5, at 4 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, with the Rev. Dennis Wenzel officiating. Burial will be in the Immanuel Lutheran Cemetery following the service.

A time of visiting and sharing memories of Evelyn with her family, will be on Thursday, April 5, from 3 to 4 p.m. at Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, IN 46563.
The family requests that memorial contributions be given to the Immanuel Lutheran Church, 6835 Union Rd., Plymouth, IN 46563, or to the Boys & Girls Club of Marshall County, 314 E. Jefferson St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

Friends may sign the guest book and share memories of Evelyn, with her family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com.

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Evelyn is survived by her daughter, Margaret (Peg) and Robert Schulte of Bremen; her grandchildren, Richard and Lori Schulte of Oswego, Ill., Rebecca and Tony Martin of Etna Green, Darius Stevens, Abigail Stevens, Sara Stevens, Danielle Martin, Dylon Martin, Tray Martin and Caleb Martin; her great-grandchildren, Caitlyn Schulte, Zachary Schulte, Conner Schulte, Abigail Schulte, and Larry Stevens; her sisters-in-law Sylvia Peters of Carson City, Nev. and Marty Turner of Branson, Mo. Also surviving are several nieces and nephews. Evelyn was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Victor and her brother Sam Turner.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, April 5, at 4 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, with the Rev. Dennis Wenzel officiating. Burial will be in the Immanuel Lutheran Cemetery following the service. A time of visiting and sharing memories of Evelyn with her family, will be on Thursday, April 5, from 3 to 4 p.m. at Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

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Ethel Marie Belt Date of Death 3/31/2007

PLYMOUTH — Ethel Marie Belt, 81, of Plymouth, died March 31 at Pilgrim Manor Nursing Home, Plymouth.

She is survived by daughters, Nancy and Randy Whaley of Powder Springs, Ga., Karen Azzaro and husband Greg Pennington of Martinez, Ga. and Sheryl Thayer of Carmel; one son, Ron and Anita Belt of Plymouth; eight grandchildren and one great-grandson.

There will be a memorial service Thursday, April 5 at 11 a.m. at Sunrise Chapel, 11802 Lincoln Hwy., Plymouth. Graveside services will be Thursday at noon at New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth. Memorials may be made to the Sunrise Chapel Building Fund. Arrangements are being handled by Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth.

Catherine G. Culp Date of Death 3/31/2007

ARGOS — Catherine (Katie) G. Culp, 80, of Argos, died Saturday, March 31 at Life Care Center, Rochester, following a short illness.

She was born Sept. 13, 1926 in Plymouth to Verlin and Constance (Barger) Rhoades and had lived in Marshall County all of her life. Her husband, Robert Culp, preceded her in death in April, 1983. They were married in November of 1972 in Plymouth. Catherine worked for 25 years at Wagner Wire in Plymouth, which is now known as United Technology. She was a very loving and giving person. She was very proud of all her children, grandchildren and great-
grandchildren. She loved her community and her large circle of friends.

She is survived by one daughter, Judy and John Marion of Lebanon, Ind.; three sons, Stephen and Roxie Peltz of Plymouth, Ted and Vickie Peltz of Logansport and Dennis and Reva Peltz of Argos; 11 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, a daughter Paula Spencer in March 2001, a granddaughter Brandy Peltz in December 1986, two brothers and three sisters. Friends may visit with the family Tuesday, April 3 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos. Services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, April 4, at the Church of Jesus Christ, 15676 Michigan Rd., Argos, with the Rev. Lloyd Howard officiating. Burial will be at Maple Grove Cemetery. Letters of condolences may be emailed to the family at: memorials@earl-grossmanfuneral.com.

Martha Lorene Friar  Date of Death 3/31/2007

SOUTH BEND — Martha Lorene Friar, 71, of South Bend, died March 31, 2007 in Hospice House.

Surviving are her children: Lorrie Nunemaker of South Bend, Thomas (Debra) Friar of Plymouth and Tyrone Scott (Virginia) Friar of Torrance, Calif.; five grandchildren; two sisters: Duke Williams of California and Mickey Stanley of Indiana; and one brother, Terry Mann of Kentucky.

A graveside service was held Monday, April 2 at Elm Ridge Cemetery in Muncie.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

McGann Hay Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

Sharon James-Davis  Date of Death 4/1/2007

PLYMOUTH — Sharon James-Davis, 58, of Plymouth, died on Sunday, April 1.

She is survived by daughter, Kimberly Furlan of Germantown, Tenn.; son, Ray Morrison of Germantown, Tenn.; three grandchildren; father, Ray C. James of Pulaski, Tenn.; sister, Retha Sistrunk of Germantown, Tenn.; and brothers: Gary James of Phoenix, Ariz., Darrell James of Austin, Texas and Randy James of Hendersonville, Tenn.

Graveside services will be held on June 8 at Greenway Cemetery, Greenway, Ark.

Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, is in charge of the arrangements.

Matthew James Morris  Date of Death 4/1/2007

PLYMOUTH — Matthew James Morris, 18, a member of the 2007 Senior Class of John Glenn High School, died following an auto accident at 5:38 p.m. Sunday.

Matt was recently accepted as a freshman into the Indiana University — Kelley School of Business. A lifetime area resident, Matt was born in Plymouth on Feb. 22, 1989, the son of James W. and Monica L. (Jaeger) Morris and resided with his parents at 5280 Redwood Rd., Plymouth. Matt has received his education in the Walkerton school system where he excelled as a scholastic student athlete.

Matt simply loved people — his family, friends and educators, as well as his two dogs; Cobra and Maggie, and most other animals that might come his way. Matt had his sights set on attending college this fall and assisted other students as a teacher’s aide and by tutoring classmates in various subjects with the goal of seeing others attain their ambitions in life. He volunteered as a “Big Brother,” served four years on the Student Council and as Class Treasurer, a member of FCCLA, the National Honor Society — Matt received a perfect math score on the S.A.T. and competed in the Academic Decathlon. He had been a member of the
Matt is remembered by his family as having a loving heart who always awoke with a big smile and ended his day with a smile and a bed time “I LOVE YOU.” They include his parents; Jim and Monica Morris of Plymouth, his sister Kara E. Morris, a senior at Indiana University; maternal grandmother, Patricia R. Jaeger and paternal grandfather, Richard C. Morris, both of Plymouth. Aunts and uncles include: Donna and Jeff Cohen, James and Abby Jaeger of Crown Point, Joanne and Mike Mulberger of Merrillville, Joe and Lynn Morris and Julie A. Morris all of Plymouth, along with numerous cousins. Preceding in death was Matt’s maternal grandfather, Donald B. Jaeger; paternal grandmother, Joyce P. Morris and uncle, Michael Morris.

Friends are invited to join the family in remembering Matt’s life on Wednesday, April 4, from 2 to 8 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St. Plymouth, where calling will continue after 7 a.m. Thursday. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, April 5 at the Plymouth Wesleyan Church, 11203 S. Michigan St. The Rev. Tim Davis, Walkerton elementary principal and Pastor John Branch of the Plymouth Wesleyan Church will officiate. Burial will follow in the New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth. Preferred are memorial gifts to the Marshall Community Foundation — Matthew J. Morris Scholarship Fund, c/o 2701 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

Beth A. Mack  Date of Death 4/3/2007

WINAMAC — Beth A. Mack, 45, of Winamac, died on Tuesday, April 3. She is survived by her husband, Dale W. Mack; daughter, Jennifer J. Dilts of Fort Wayne; and brothers: Terry Dilts of Tallahassee, Fla., Bob Dilts of New Carlise, Mike Dilts of Plymouth and Pat Dilts of LaPorte.

Funeral services will be held Friday, April 6 at 2 p.m. at St. Anne's Cemetery, Monterey.

O'Donnell Funeral Home, North Judson, is in charge of the arrangements.


ROCHESTER — William Lynn Durkes, 61, of Rochester, died at 8:33 p.m. on Wednesday, April 4 at home.

He is survived by his wife Mary Lou Durkes of Rochester; daughter, Shelly (Dan) Melton of Rochester; son, Craig (Shari) Durkes of Akron; six grandchildren; sister, Janice Newcomb-Mitchell and husband Bob of Pittsboro; brother, Ron (Kay) Durkes of Fort Wayne; and sister-in-law, Peggy Durkes of Rochester.

Visitation is Sunday, April 8 from 4 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to services Monday at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Funeral services are Monday, April 9 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at the Richland Center IOOF Cemetery. Military graveside rites will be conducted by the LeRoy Shelton American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Memorials may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County.


PLYMOUTH — David L. “Dave” Holland, 64, a lifetime Plymouth resident, died of natural causes in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth, at 2:02 a.m. on Wednesday, April 4, 2007.
Born in Plymouth on May 8, 1942, Dave was the son of Eldon “Dutch” and Mary Jane (Albert) Holland.

He graduated in 1961, with the first graduating class of the new Plymouth High School.

On Nov. 4, 1961, in St. Thomas’ Episcopal Church, Dave and Sandra Vinall were married.

A general contractor, licensed plumber and electrician, Dave retired from construction in 2004.

An outdoorsman, he loved fishing and gardening and enjoyed housekeeping. He won the Plymouth Pride Award for his beautiful yard and landscaping.

NASCAR racing and Mark Martin were his favorites.

Dave is survived by his mother Mary Jane, his wife, Sandra, and by their three daughters: Lori (Mike) Faylor of Culver, Lisa (Roger) Drown of Urbandale, Iowa and Leah (Sean) Kellenberger of Edina, Minn.

Thirteen grandchildren also survive. They are: Lori and Mike Faylor’s children, Alicia Henely, Michael Faylor, Jr.: Aaron (Jessica) Gilley; and Zachery Faylor. Also, Lisa and Roger’s children, Jessica, Alicia, Ethan and Lainey Drown; and Haley, Griffin and Ian Kellenberger, children of Leah and Sean.

Andrew Whitaker and David Holland, sons of the late Bill Holland, survive as well, together with two great-granddaughters, Olivia and Gwendyan Gilley.

Also surviving are two sisters and a brother. They are Kathy Holland of Highland, Jan (Bill) Berger of Valparaiso, Greg (Ann) Holland of Grovertown.

Dave’s mother-in-law, Mary Vinall, sister-in-law, Pam (Jay) Wakeland and brother-in-law, Jim (Judy) Vinall, along with several nieces and nephews, also survive.

Dave was preceded in death by his father and a son, William Holland.

Friends are invited to share memories with Dave’s family on Saturday, April 7, 2007, at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, from 1 to 4 p.m.

Funeral services for Dave will follow visitation at 4 p.m. on Saturday.

Josh Wakeland, a nephew of Dave’s, will officiate.

Burial will be at a later date in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Dave’s memory may be made to the American Cancer Society, Marshall County Chapter.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family via the Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com

**Dorothy L. Walters  Date of Death 4/7/2007**

Dorothy L. Walters, 91, of 971 W. Eighth St., died at 10:20 a.m. Saturday at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester. Her health was failing for 10 years.

Born in the Burton community of Fulton County, she was the daughter of Harry and Myrtle Etcheson Batchelor, who preceded her in death. She graduated from Rochester High School and lived her whole life in Fulton County.
On April 4, 1936, in Richland Township, she married Ernest "Bud" Walters, who preceded her in death on June 8, 2000. A homemaker, she also worked in food service at Rochester Middle School. She was a former member of the Evergreen Rebekah Lodge and Sand Hill United Methodist Church. She enjoyed fishing with her husband and sewing for her family.

Survivors include three sons, Eddie Walters and wife Bonnie, Greensboro, N.C., Jimmie Walters and wife Connie, Rochester, and Ronnie Walters and wife Joan, Florida; eight grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and a sister, Hattie Holloway, Rochester. She was preceded in death by a son, Mickie Walters, in 1967; a grandson, Ricky Joe Walters, on Oct. 10, 1990; and a brother, William Batchelor.

Her funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with the Rev. George Hapner officiating. Burial will be at Richland Center IOOF Cemetery. Friends may visit with the family from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday and one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to United Ministries Outreach; envelopes will be available at the funeral home. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Erin Wallin  Date of Death 4/8/2007

NAPPANEE — Erin Wallin, 26, of Nappanee, died on Sunday, April 8 at Elkhart General Hospital.

She is survived by sons: Ozzy Aaron Wallin, Draven Blaze Wallin and Zodiac Lance Wallin, all of Nappanee; parents: Ryan and Donna Belstra of Grovertown; and sisters: Jessica Chapman of South Bend and Rachael Paugh of Portage.

Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, is in charge of the arrangements.

L.D. Wolf  Date of Death 4/8/2007

L.D. Wolf, 84, Twelve Mile, died Sunday at Dukes Memorial Hospital, Peru.

Survivors include his wife, Edna Evalena (Root) Wolf; two daughters, Judith Lavonne Whitaker, Delphi, and Janice Eliene Kuns, Twelve Mile; two sons, Lynn Douglas Wolf, Wonewoc, Wis., and Neil Edward Wolf, Logansport; and one sister, Esther L. Boyd, North Manchester.

His funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at the Mexico Old German Baptist Brethren Church. Visitation will be from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Tuesday at the church.


PLYMOUTH — Yvonne A. (Bonnie) Warren, 77, of 914 Sycamore St., Plymouth, passed away at 3:48 p.m. on Monday, April 9, 2007 at her home, surrounded by her loving family and devoted pets.

Bonnie was born on June 4, 1929 in Illinois to Oliver and Elsie (Hill) Landrie. On June 4, 1966 Bonnie married Phil Warren. Bonnie was a housewife and a devoted babysitter for many years. She was preceded in death by her parents; her sisters, Eldora Landrie, and June Earnsberger; and her brother, Kenneth Landrie.

Bonnie is survived by her husband of 40 years, Phil Warren; her daughter, Linda (Art) Wilcox of Plymouth; her sons: Randy Wade of Plymouth, Roger Wade of Cocoa Beach, Fla., John (Kathy) Wade of Plymouth and Bryan (Resa) Warren of Plymouth. Bonnie loved her 16 grandchildren and her 11 great-grandchildren dearly. Also surviving are her children by marriage, Jim (Shelia) Warren, Donna Warren, Denese (Rick) Desloover and Carrie all of Plymouth. If Bonnie could have, she would have made every child she ever knew, one of her own grandchildren.
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We will remember Bonnie’s life on Wednesday, April 11, 2007 from 4 to 8 p.m. and Thursday April 12, 2007 from noon to 2 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison St., Plymouth.

The family requests that memorial contributions be given to the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, Inc., 112 S. Center St., Plymouth, IN, 46563.

Friends may sign the guest book, and share memories of Bonnie with her family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com

Larry Wayne Hall  Date of Death 4/10/2007

MENIFEE, Calif. — Larry Wayne Hall, 61, of Menifee, Calif., died Tuesday, April 10 at Inland Valley Hospital.

He is survived by his wife, Shirley Hall of Menifee, Calif.; son, Tim (Jackie) Hall of Menifee, Calif.; daughters: Cyndi Hall and Danyel Hall, both of Menifee, Calif.; nine grandchildren; brother, Pete (Diane) Hall of Knox; sisters: Nettie (Arnold) Hale of Springfield, Mo., Ginger (Frank) Turney of Monterey, Judy (Wilgus) Puckett of Knox and Nancy (Steve) Stone of Monterey.

Services were held Monday, April 16 at 1 p.m. at 1st Baptist Church.

Burial was at Winamac Cemetery.

Braman & Son Memorial Chapel, Knox, was in charge of the arrangements.

Pauline Mercer  Date of Death 4/14/2007

ROCHESTER — Pauline Mercer, 93, of Rochester, died at 4:30 a.m. on Saturday, April 14 at Life Care Center of Rochester.

She is survived by a son, Edwin (Shari) Mercer of Rochester; two granddaughters; three great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services are Wednesday, April 18 at 10 a.m. in the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation is one hour prior to services.

Burial will be at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Norm H. Risner  Date of Death 4/14/2007

DENHAM — Norm H. Risner, 55, of Denham, died on Saturday, April 14 at home.

He is survived by his wife, Joann Risner of Denham; daughters: Norma (Keith) Lee Garner of Hanna and Heather (John) Gutierrez of Plymouth; brothers: Ed Risner of Knox and Jim (Gloria) Risner of Walkerton; sisters: Joy (Joe) Romanzak of Knox and Linda (Kenny) Hasting of Ft. Butler, Fla.; stepdaughter, Annie Jones of Denham; and six grandchildren.

Visitation is Tuesday, April 17 from 4 to 8 p.m. at Braman & Son Memorial Chapel, Knox.

Funeral services are Wednesday, April 18 at 1 p.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Round Lake Cemetery, Knox.
Tim E. Swango  Date of Death 4/15/2007

PALM COAST, Fla. — Tim Earl Swango, 36, of Palm Coast, Fla., died on Sunday, April 15 at home.

He is survived by his wife, Tammy Swango of Palm Coast, Fla.; son, Brenden Smith-Rothove of Palm Coast, Fla.; daughters: Jessica Poth of Level Plains, Ala. And Hayley Swango of Palm Coast, Fla.; mother, Mary Avery of Kings Mountain, N.C.; father and stepmother, Randy and Cindy Swango of Plymouth; sisters: Elaine and Liz Avery, both of Syracuse; brothers: Bill Swango of Syracuse, Joe Swango of Kings Mountain, N.C., Ivan Avery of York, S.C. and Randy Franz of Plymouth.

Visitation is Thursday, April 19 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. at the Craig-Flagler Palms Funeral Home, Flagler Beach, Fla.

Funeral services are Friday, April 20 at 9 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Flagler Palms Memorial Gardens.

Memorials may be made to Odyssey Health Care Hospice, 249 S. Ridgewood Ave., Daytona Beach, FL 32114.

Barry Delbert Black  Date of Death 4/16/2007

WARSAW — Barry Delbert Black, 66, of Warsaw, died at 6:20 a.m. on Monday, April 16 at Goshen General Hospital.

He is survived by his wife, Sandra; son, Sean (Sonya) Black of Carmel; two granddaughters; and a brother, Barton (Dian) Black of Syracuse.

Visitation is Wednesday, April 18 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. at the Free Methodist Church, Winona Lake.

Funeral services are Thursday, April 19 at 10 a.m. at the church.

Burial will be at Oakwood Cemetery, Warsaw.

Memorials may be made to the Free Methodist Church, 902 College Ave., Winona Lake, IN 46590.

The Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos, is in charge of the arrangements.

Violet A. Fisher  Date of Death 4/16/2007

PLYMOUTH — Violet A. Fisher, 92, of Plymouth, died on Monday, April 16 at her home.

She is survived by her husband, Junior “Kike” E. Fisher and several nieces and nephews including Sam and Carl Fisher, both of Bremen.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, April 19 at the Palmer Funeral Home, Lakeville where friends may visit with the family from 5 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday.

Burial will follow at Fair Cemetery, North Liberty.


KNOX — Sammie Lee Marshall, 42, of Knox died Tuesday, April 17 at Starke Memorial Hospital,

Visitation is Friday, April 20 from 5 to 9 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. until the time of services at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel.

Funeral services are Saturday, April 21 at noon CDT at the funeral home.

Burial will be in Round Lake Cemetery.

Memorial contributions should be sent to Rannells Funeral Home, P.O. Box 500, Hamlet, IN 46532.

**Harold Richard Helton  Date of Death 4/18/2007**

BOURBON — Harold Richard Helton, 67, of Bourbon, died at 5:15 p.m. on Wednesday, April 18 at home.

He is survived by his wife, Patricia; children: Pam and Mike Halloway, Larry Dale and Melissa Helton of Dayton, Ohio, Lon Charles and Frances Helton and Racheal Helton, all of Bourbon; 11 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; and sister, Mabel and Bob Fugate of Dayton, Ohio.

Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday, April 20 in the Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, Bourbon.

Funeral services will be at 11 am. Saturday, April 21 at the funeral home

Burial will be in the Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Bourbon, with military graveside services by the Bourbon American Legion Post #424.

**Mary Virginia Kensinger  Date of Death 4/18/2007**

MISHAWAKA — Mary Virginia Kensinger, 84, of Mishawaka, died on Wednesday, April 18, 2007, at Southfield Village.

She is survived by her eight children: Michael of San Francisco, Calif., Timothy (Frances) of Arroyo Grande, Calif., Keary (Kathleen) of San Francisco, Calif., Kathy of Glendale, Calif., Mark (Louann) of Lakeville, Paul (Joleen) of San Francisco, Calif., Maureen Nelson (Robert) of Mishawaka, and Loretta of Fresno, Calif.; 15 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren; and sisters: Nancy Jones of South Bend, Eileen Thompson of Florence, Mont. And Christina Miles of Albuquerque, N.M.

Visitation was Friday, April 20, in Thallemer, Goethals & Wells Funeral Home, Mishawaka where the rosary was prayed at 7 p.m.

Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, April 21, in St. Monica Catholic Church, Mishawaka. Burial followed in Fairview Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to St. Joseph Indian School, Chamberlain, SD, 57326.

**Agnes E. Waranowski  Date of Death 4/19/2007**
WALKERTON — Agnes E. Waranowski, 94, of Walkerton, formerly of Koontz Lake, died on Thursday, April 19 in Miller’s Merry Manor, Walkerton.

She is survived by Donna Blackburn of Walkerton, David Blackburn of Walkerton, Dale Blackburn of Alabama, Dean Blackburn of Paoli and Dana Baker of Mishawaka.

Visitation is Sunday, April 22 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. CDT at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel.

Funeral services are Sunday, April 22 at 1 p.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at the Grovertown Cemetery.

A. Richard Gimbel  Date of Death 4/20/2007

CULVER — A. Richard Gimbel, 59, of Culver, died Friday, April 20 at his home.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, May 5, in the Memorial Chapel on the campus of the Culver Academies. Contributions are to be made to the Culver Academies Annual Fund.

Billy J. Risner  Date of Death 4/20/2007

KNOX - Billy J. Risner, 64, died Friday, April 20 in his home following an extended illness.

Survivors include his mother, Maxine Kasinger of The Dalles, Ore., his best friend, Carol Risner of Knox, a son, Tony and Suzanne of Plymouth, a brother, Ken Conley and sister, Jennie Oldfield, both of The Dalles, Ore., grandchildren Wes Biddle, Kelsy Risner and Matthew Risner.

Services will be at 1 p.m. (CDT) Wednesday at Braman & Son Memorial Chapel, 108 S. Main St., Knox, with Pastor Arlin Perry officiating.

Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Crown Hill Cemetery.

Clayton Clyde Chapin  Date of Death 4/21/2007

FULTON - Clayton Clyde Chapin, 87, of Rochester, formerly of Fulton, died at 1:25 a.m. Saturday, April 21 at Life Care Center in Rochester where he had resided for the past 18 months.

He is survived by his wife, Treva M. Chapin of Rochester and one sister, Dorothy Swoverland of Deedsville, Ind.

Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, on Tuesday, and one hour prior to services.

Services are at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at the funeral home with the Rev. Bruce Russell officiating.

Burial will be at Rochester’s IOOF Cemetery.

Electronic condolences may be send to the family: goodfamily@rtcol.com. <mailto:goodfamily@rtcol.com.>

Bernard "Pops" L. Houin  Date of Death 4/21/2007

ARGOS — Bernard “Pops” L. Houin, 79, of 15864 Michigan Rd., Argos, passed away Saturday, April 21, 2007 at 9:55 p.m. at his home.
Bernard was born on Oct. 28, 1927 in Plymouth to Francis and Frances (Smith) Houin. He married Evadean Zehner on Sept. 26, 1950. She passed away on Oct. 31, 1951. Bernard and Betty Vires were married on July 24, 1952.

Bernard worked for his son Mike, in the landscaping business, farmed, had dairy cows, and worked at the Plymouth Farm Center (John Deere). He was a member of Saint Michael Catholic Church, Plymouth.

Bernard is survived by his wife of 54 years, Betty Houin of Argos; their daughters, Beverly (Edward) Irvine of Argos, Bonnie Houin of Fort Wayne and Norma Zentz of North Liberty; their sons: Mike (Sharon) Houin of Argos, Pat Houin of Argos, and Tony (Jacki) Houin of Argos; his brother, Lawrence (Frances) Houin of Grovertown; and his sisters, Catherine Haeck of Plymouth, Irene Wentzel of South Bend and Theresa (Lloyd) Anderson of Plymouth. Also surviving are 19 grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren, and one more great-grandchild on the way. He was preceded in death by a daughter, Barbara Espinoza; his brothers: Carl Houin, Elmer Houin and Leo Houin; and his sister, Sister Mary Frances Houin.

The mass of Christian burial will be held on Thursday, April 26, 2007 at 10:30 a.m. at Saint Michael Catholic Church with The Rev. Father William Kummer officiating. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery.

A time of visiting and sharing memories with Barnard's family will be on Wednesday, April 25, 2007 at the VAN GILDER FUNERAL HOME, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth, from 4 to 8 p.m. with Rosary at 7:30 p.m.

The Houin family requests that memorial contributions be made in Bernard's name to the Marshall County Cancer Association, P.O. Box 895, Plymouth, IN 46563 or to the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, Incorporated, 112 South Center Street, Plymouth, IN 46563.

Friends may sign the guest book and share memories of Barnard with his family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com

**Milo W. "Mike" Klingerman** Date of Death 4/21/2007

WARSAW — Milo W. "Mike" Klingerman, 77, of Warsaw, formerly of Indianapolis, died on Saturday, April 21 at Veterans Administration Northern Indiana Health Care System, Ft. Wayne Division.

He is survived by a daughter, Linda Sue Curtis of Big Pine, Calif.

There will be no visitation or services. Burial will be at Tyner Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Batten Disease Support & Research Association.

Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, is in charge of the arrangements.

**Peter A., Sr. Paul** Date of Death 4/21/2007

MONTEREY — Peter A. Paul Sr., 84, of Monterey passed away peacefully at home on April 21, 2007.

Pete was born on Aug. 24, 1922 in Berwyn, Ill. To Peter E. And Alma (Loewe) Paul. He grew up on a farm doing many chores before going off to school. He graduated from Knox High School in 1940.

Pete proudly served his country in the Army Air Corps from 1942-1945, earning the American Theater Ribbon, Victory Medal World War II, and a Good Conduct Medal. After being honorably
discharged, he married the love of his life, Mary Ann Brooks on May 3, 1947 in North Judson. They were blessed with four children.

Pete was a talented man who farmed, did carpentry work with Karl Master for many years, and after his retirement he worked at the Bonine Funeral Home for many years - a very faithful employee. Pete belonged to the Collins-Tasch American Legion Post 399 in Monterey and the Culver Eagles Lodge 3221 as well as a member of the Monterey Club which meets at the Corner Tavern in Monterey for coffee every morning for many years now. He and Ann were good dancers and loved to polka.

Pete is survived by his loving family: wife, Mary Ann Paul of Monterey; son, Peter (Kim) Paul Jr. of Argos; daughters: Mary Ann (Charles E.) Broeker of Culver, Marsha Czerniak of Knox and Beverly Audiss of Klamath Falls, Ore.; brother, Don (Mabel) Paul of Grovertown; 13 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews; and his walking companion Spike.

Friends may join Pete's family in celebrating and remembering his life at the Bonine-Odom Funeral Home on Thursday, April 26, 2007 from 2 to 8 p.m. EDT. Rev. Rob Mace will officiate funeral services on Friday, April 27, 2007 at 11 a.m. EDT at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to a charity of the donor's choice. Graveside veteran rites will be conducted by the Collins-Tasch American Legion Post 399 and the Finney-Shilling VFW Post 6919 of Culver at the Riverside Memorial Cemetery in Monterey. Condolences may be sent via our Web site obituary page at www.bonineodom.com.

Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, is in charge of arrangements.

Russell D. Binkley  Date of Death 4/22/2007

ETNA GREEN - Russell D. Binkley, age 100, of 326 N. Walnut Street, Etna Green, died at 10:05 a.m. Sunday, April 22, in Miller's Merry Manor Nursing Home of Warsaw.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy and several nieces and nephews. Also, he has a sister-in-law Dortha Binkley Sheets of Warsaw, a brother, Cecil and Maxine Binkley of Etna Green.

A celebration of Russell's life will be at 2 p.m., Wednesday, April 25 in Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, 115. Main St., Bourbon, with Pastor Joe Lampton officiating.

The family will receive friends from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home.

Burial will be in the Etna Green Cemetery at Etna Green. Memorial contributions can be made in memory of Russell to the Etna Green United Methodist Church.

Amber G. Mott  Date of Death 4/22/2007

BOURBON — Amber G. Mott, age 89, of 200 West Florence Street, #2, Bourbon, passed away, Sunday April 22, 2007 at 4:15 p.m. in the Catherine Kasper Life Care Center, Donaldson.


Amber graduated from Plankinton High School in 1935. She was a member of the 1934 State Champion Girls Basketball Team for Plankinton. Amber also held a degree in cosmetology. Many will remember Amber from Mundy's Restaurant where she served the morning crowd with a smile for many years. Amber was very proud of her grandchildren. She was always in attendance for their special events, never missing an opportunity to brag about any of her
grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She lived the last few years at Garden Court Apartments in Bourbon, where she made many good friends.

Amber is survived by her daughter, Pam and Rick Sarber of Bourbon; her sons: Larry and Cheryl Mott of Pasadena, Texas and Jerry and Barbara Mott of Chesapeake, VA.; her grandchildren: Barry and Roxanne Leonard of Virginia, Richie and Shawn Mott of Virginia, Jade and Jim Flint of Texas, Chad and Natina Sarber of Greenfield, Erin and Bret Feldman of Etna Green, Misty Mott of Texas, Megan Sarber and her fiancée Kameron Kenny of Texas, Christa Mott of Texas, and Jason Mott of Texas. Also surviving are 13 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren; her brother, Dale and June Morgan; her sisters: Thelma Vance, Harriet Glass, and Imogene and Skee Bye. She was preceded in death by her loving husband of 61 years Harold W. Mott, four brothers, and a sister.

The VAN GILDER FUNERAL HOME, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth has been entrusted with assisting the family with final arrangements. In accordance with Amber's wishes, cremation has taken place and a private memorial service will be held. The family has requested that in lieu of flowers, friends may want to remember Amber with a prayer.

Memorial contributions may be made, in Amber's name, to the Catherine Kasper Life Center, P.O. Box 1, Donaldson, IN 46513.

Friends may sign the guest book and share memories of Amber with her family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com

Harlan Edward Butler  Date of Death 4/23/2007


Eva Grace and Harlan are survived by their four children: Kenny (Mary) Husband of Melbourne, Fla., Linda Simpson of Lawton, Okla., Marla (Michael) Hubbard of Pagosa Springs, Colo. And Shane (Candi) Butler of Boca Raton, Fla.; Eva's siblings: Maude Ruth Gunther of Titusville, Fla., Olive Dorothea (LaVerne) Matthes of Odessa, Fla., Esther Rae (Leland) Shearer of Beaver Falls, Pa. and Phillip Fry (Brenda) Husband of Ruffsdale, Pa.; eight grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; and countless nieces and nephews.

The Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, is in charge of arrangements.


TIPPECANOE — Nettie Frances Edwards, 58, of Tippecanoe, formerly of Bass Lake, passed away at 3:23 a.m. on Monday, April 23 at home. She was born on Jan. 6, 1949 in Logansport to James A. and Erie (Powers) Watts. On Aug. 15, 1984 in Logansport, she married Ron J. Edwards.

A homemaker, she was a member of the Helm Street Church of God. Nettie enjoyed spending time with family and friends, especially her grandchildren. Nettie was a 1967 graduate of Pioneer High School and was raised in Royal Center.

She is survived by her husband, Ron J. Edwards of Tippecanoe; daughters: Sandy Leffert of Logansport and Amanda Sobieck of Knox; mother, Erie Watts of Royal Center; stepdaughters: Jennifer (Ben) Rance of Logansport and Kristal Edwards of St. Louis, Mo.; stepson, Ryan (Chris) Edwards of Lucerne; sisters: Betty Siler of Lafayette, Mary (Ken) Frye of Burnettsville and Carolyn Gilmore of Royal Center; sister-in-law, Connie Peterson of Kokomo; 10 grandchildren: Cory and Brittany Leffert, Adam and Emily Sobieck, Alex, Sydney and Ella Rance, Bryanna Bowman, Daysha Robinson and Ethan Edwards; and several nieces and nephews.
She was preceded in death by a sister, Fay E. Duddleston.

Visitation is 5:30 p.m. until the time of services Wednesday, April 25 at the Helm Street Church of God, 712 Helm St., Logansport.

Funeral services are Wednesday, April 25 at 7:30 p.m. at the church with Pastor Dean Snyder officiating.

Memorials may be made to the Helm Street Church of God.

Gundrum Funeral Home, Logansport, is in charge of the arrangements.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.gundrumfuneralhome.com

Betty Jane Hoof  Date of Death 4/23/2007

LAKEVILLE — Betty Jane Hoof, 84, a lifelong resident of Lakeville, passed away at 1:40 a.m. on Monday, April 23, 2007 at the Woodcrest Nursing Home, Decatur. Mrs. Hoof was born on May 24, 1922 in Lakeville to the late Floyd M. and Rose Mabel (Bailey) Barkley. On June 6, 1947 in Lakeville, Betty married Roger Hoof who preceded in death on June 8, 2006. Three sisters, Virginia Plummer, Rowina Hall, and Lois Gilmer, and three brothers, Charles, Ernest, and Robert Barkley have all preceded in death.

Mrs. Hoof retired in 1982 after 19 years of employment with Wirecraft in Lakeville. She was a member of the Lakeville United Methodist Church and the Order of the Eastern Star in Lakeville.

Mrs. Hoof is survived by two daughters: Carol (Michael) Pettibone of Decatur and Susan (Stephen) Todd of Richmond, Va.; three grandchildren: Stephanie Wood, John (Alicia) Pettibone and Jennifer Pettibone; one great-grandson, Palmer Wood; one sister, Frances Howell of South Bend; and one brother, John Barkley of Inman, S.C.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, April 25, 2007 at the Palmer Funeral Home, 314 S. Michigan Street, Lakeville. Rev. Ed Erskin will officiate. Graveside services and burial will follow at Southlawn Cemetery, South Bend. Friends may visit with the family from 4 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, April 24 at the Palmer Funeral Home, Lakeville.

Contributions in memory of Betty Jane Hoof may be donated to the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, 111 Sunnybrook Court, South Bend, IN 46637 or to Family Hospice of NE Indiana, 265 W. Water Street, Berne, IN 46711.

Janet "Kay" (Henderson) Lewis  Date of Death 4/23/2007

ROCHESTER — Janet "Kay" (Henderson) Lewis, 66, of Rochester, died at 4:50 p.m. on Monday, April 23 at St. Vincent Hospital, Indianapolis.

She is survived by daughters: Angie A. (Ed) Elkins of Ohio, Stacy L. (Howard) Kistler of Rochester and Paige A. (Rand) Ulery of Deer Creek; sons: Tony A. (Tami) Henderson of Rochester, Scott L. Henderson and Shelly Fincher of Rochester and Erik K. (Sandy) Henderson of Fulton; 13 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and brother, Bob (Sue) Vanata of The Villages, Fla.

Visitation is Wednesday, April 25 from 4 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to services at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Funeral services are Thursday, April 26 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at Salem Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the charity of one’s choice.
Anna Shepherd  Date of Death 4/23/2007

NORTH JUDSON — Anna Shepherd, 73, of North Judson, died on Monday, April 23.

She is survived by her husband, Willie Shepherd; daughter, Pamela Brooke of Winamac; siblings: Lonnie Campbell, Ray Campbell, Lee Campbell, all of North Judson, Gene Campbell of Hamlet, Ruby Blankenship of North Judson, Oleta Campbell of Arkansas, Minnie Alice Campbell of Arkansas and Evie Humphrey of Oregon; one grandchild and six great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Thursday, April 26 from 4 to 8 p.m. at M.C. Smith Funeral Home, Knox. Funeral services are Friday, April 27 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at St. Paul’s Lutheran Cemetery, Denham.

Martin A. Morrison  Date of Death 4/25/2007

PLYMOUTH — Martin A. Morrison, 63, died on Wednesday, April 25 in Memorial Hospital.

He is survived by his wife, Karen I. (Ashe) Morrison, sons: James M. (Kim) Morrison of Culver and Marc A. (Danielle) Morrison of Plymouth; two granddaughters; a brother, M. Morrill (MaryAnn) Morrison of Frankfort and mother-in-law, Wilma E. Ashe of Plymouth.

Visitation will be from 3 to 7 p.m. Saturday, April 28 in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth where services will be held at 1 p.m. on Sunday, April 29 with calling one hour prior. Cremation will follow.

Memorial gifts made be made to the Marshall County Humane Society, P.O. Box 22, Plymouth, IN 46563 or the Leukemia/Lymphoma Society, 941 E. 86th St. Suite 100, Indianapolis, IN 46240.

Brenda Joyce Vermillion  Date of Death 4/25/2007

PLYMOUTH — Brenda Joyce Vermillion was born Brenda Joyce Moore on Jan. 2, 1947, the daughter of John and Elverta Moore. Brenda died at her residence on Wednesday, April 25, 2007, after an extended illness.

Brenda graduated from Plymouth High School in 1964. She later married and had two children (Johnnie – 1969 and Sherry – 1971). Brenda left Plymouth after her marriage, but returned in 1986. It was not long after her return to Plymouth that Brenda divorced.

Brenda started working as a custodian for Plymouth Schools in 1990. She was known as “the laundry lady” by most of the high school students.

She lived a happy life that became happier still in 1992 when she met, fell in love with and married James Vermillion of Plymouth. From the union with Jim, Brenda received two more daughters (Cindy and Lisa) along with a son-in-law and five more grandchildren.

Jim and Brenda have enjoyed traveling, boating, camping, horseback riding and of course, her family and their many years together. They have enjoyed spending Sunday evenings with kids and grandkids. They enjoyed traveling to Germany and Florida to visit Sherry and her family.

Brenda had always been a quiet person who was just happy to be in her living room reading a book with her husband by her side, as she was in the middle of the lake with a fishing pole in hand. She was happiest when those that she loved were happy.

Brenda will be mourned by her husband, James Vermillion; a son, Johnnie Fuller and his children, Darick and Angel Fuller; a daughter and son-in-law, Sherry and Christopher Nagy and their children, Marky Ecklund, Cameron and Cole Nagy; a step-daughter and son-in-law, Cindy and Dennis Overmyer and their children, Bryon, Crystal and Brook Overmyer; a step-daughter,
Lisa Vermillion and her children Brock and Jordan Vermillion.

Elverta Moore, Brenda’s mother, also survives along with a brother, Devon and Alberta Moore, two sisters: Charlene Ward and Treva and Roger Murphy, her mother and father-in-law Clyde and Dorothy Vermillion, a brother-in-law, Denny and Margaret Vermillion and many nieces and nephews, friends and co-workers.

Brenda was preceded in death by her father, John D. Moore; her grandson, Aaron Lee Fuller and her brother-in-law, Dusty Ward.

Brenda was diagnosed with cancer in August, 2003. She has fought bravely. She never let her illness stop her from enjoying her life. She spent time with her husband doing things that they enjoyed. She spent time with family and she traveled. She has been very strong — stronger many times than those around her watching her wage battle. She will be missed. She will be loved still. She will be remembered.

A memorial service for Brenda will be held at a later date at Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth.

Memorial contributions in Brenda’s name may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Messages of condolence to the family may be sent to www.johnson-danielson.com

Jesse "Junior" Vice  Date of Death 4/25/2007

PLYMOUTH — Jesse "Junior" Vice, 79, of 229 Lake St., Plymouth, formerly of Rochester, passed away at 3:56 p.m. on Wednesday, April 25 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth. He had been in failing health.

He was born on April 5, 1928 to Jesse and Ruth Allen Vice Sr. On Feb. 14, 1967, he married Ella May Kline at Mt. Hope Church near Leiters Ford.

He was a railroader for Norfolk & Western Railroad as a crossman and watchman. He was a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles #852 of Rochester, where he was a Golden Eagle. He was also a member of the Brotherhood of Railroaders.

He is survived by a son, Charles E. (Pam) Vice of Plymouth; two grandsons: Nicholas Charles Edward Vice and Charles Stormy Jesse Vice; brother, Wayne Vice of Arizona; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife; sisters Opal and Mary; and a brother Walley.

Funeral services are Saturday, April 28 at 10:30 a.m. in the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester.

Friends may visit with the family from 4 to 8 p.m. on Friday, April 27 and one hour prior to services in the funeral home Saturday.

Burial will be at Leiters Ford Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Fraternal Order of Eagles Lodge #852 of Rochester.

Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com This e-mail address is being protected from spam bots, you need JavaScript enabled to view it

Dora N. Taylor  Date of Death 4/26/2007
KNOX — Dora N. Taylor, 58, of Knox, died on Thursday, April 26 at Starke Memorial Hospital, Knox.

She is survived by daughter, Jennifer Taylor of Indianapolis; sister, Fonda Lee Spurgeon of San Pierre; brother, Robert James Miller of Plymouth; and friend, Jeffrey Taylor of San Pierre.

Visitation is Friday, April 27 from 4 to 8 p.m. CDT at the O’Donnell Funeral Home, North Judson.

Funeral services are Saturday, April 28 at 12 p.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Wheatfield Cemetery.


BREMEN — On Friday April 27, Genevra said goodbye to her earthly family to be reunited with her God, his Son Jesus Christ, her husband, Pally Wright, her parents, and her sisters.

Genevra Editha (Kelley Wright) Kaiser, 89 years old, of 316 Woodies Lane, Bremen, formerly of Bourbon, passed away at 11:10 p.m. on Friday, April 27, 2007 in Bremen Health Care.

She was born March 19, 1918 in Blackford County, Ind. The daughter of James Franklin Kelley and Myrtle Elna Palmer Kelley. Genevra had been a resident of the area since 1974.

Genevra was a retired school teacher. She graduated from Roll High School, Ball State University where bachelor and master degrees were earned. Post graduate studies were from the University of Wyoming and Northern Michigan University. She taught in the public schools of Atwood and Nappanee in Indiana and in Elk Rapids, Mich. And for the Traverse Bay Intermediate Schools District in Traverse City, Mich.

She married on April 25, 1938 to K.P. (Pally) Wright, who died June 30, 1989. She then married to Bernard Kaiser who also preceded in death.

She is survived by her two daughters; Sarah and William Reichert of Bourbon, Judy Hale of Niles, Mich. And a son James B. and Janice Wright of Spearfish, S.D.

Genevra was blessed with eight grandchildren; Kelley and Bob Ross, Rhonda and David Hoover, Teresa and Daniel Messenger, Cheryl and Joe Fortuna, Julie and Shannon Rolando, Jill Wright, Genie and Charlie Bouck and Jimmy Wright along with 16 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her four sisters; Grace E. Kelley, Ruth Kitterman, Esther Dearfield and Frances Patterson.

A celebration of Genevra’s life will be at 10 a.m., Wednesday, May 2 in the Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, 115. Main St., Bourbon.

The family will receive friends from 4 to 7 p.m., Tuesday in the Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home.

Burial will be in the Woodlawn Cemetery at Warren, Indiana where a grave side service will be at 2 p.m.

Memorial contributions can be made in memory of Genevra to the Bourbon Emergency Medical Services.

Jane F. Reinhold  Date of Death 4/27/2007

MONTEREY — Jane F. Reinhold, 79, of Monterey, died on Friday, April 27, 2007 at Miller’s Merry Manor in Culver.

Jane was born on March 15, 1928 in Blue Island, III. to the late Leonard and Magdalene

He preceded her in death along with two brothers and one grandchild.

Jane was a longtime member of St. Anne’s Catholic Church in Monterey, a Hospice volunteer and a member of the Collins-Tasch American Legion Post 399 Auxiliary of Monterey.

She was a Girl Scout leader for many years and was also involved in 4-H and the Horse and Pony Club.

In 2005, Jane was honored at the Women of Pulaski County Celebration.

Jane is survived by daughters: Marie (Tom) Bauer of Rochester, Donna (Bob) Ringer of Plymouth, Linda (Ken) McCune of Monterey and Lisa (Roy) Garcia of Elk, Wash.; sons: Tony (Marian) Reinhold and Bill Reinhold of Monterey, 13 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren, three sisters and one brother.

Friends may join Jane’s family in remembering and celebrating her life at the Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, on Tuesday, May 1, from 3 to 8 p.m., with a Spiritual Wake service conducted at 8 p.m.

Father Bert Woolson will officiate a Mass of Christian Burial on Wednesday, May 2, at 10 a.m. at St. Anne’s Catholic Church in Monterey with burial following at St. Anne’s Cemetery.

Memorials may be given to the Collins-Tasch American Legion Post 399 Auxiliary, Monterey, in Jane’s memory.

Condolences may be sent via the Web site obituary page at www.bonineodom.com.

Robert E. McMillen Date of Death 4/28/2007

SOUTH BEND — Robert E. McMillen, 72, of South Bend, died at 4:50am on Saturday, April 28, 2007, in Memorial Hospital.

He is survived by his wife, Theresa (Kotolinski); children: Michael (Lora) McMillen of Plymouth, Peggy (Randy) Lowery of Nappanee and Penny (Michael) Singleton of Mishawaka; four grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; brother, Bruce (Beverly) McMillen of South Bend; and sister-in-law, Mary McMillen of Anderson.

Visitation will be from 2 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, May 3, 2007 in St. Joseph Funeral Home, South Bend, where a Rosary will be prayed at 4 p.m. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. on Friday, May 4, 2007, in St. Casimir Catholic Church.

Burial will follow in Southlawn Cemetery, South Bend.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude’s Hospital.

Billy E. Starr Date of Death 4/29/2007

GRANGER — Billy E. Starr, 82, died at Memorial Hospital, South Bend, on Sunday morning, April 29, 2007. Bill was a resident of Granger since his retirement from Associates Inc. in 1989.

Bill was born in Greenville, Ohio, where he graduated from high school before entering Ohio State University. A medic in the U.S. Army, he served in the European theater of World War II and received a Purple Heart in Belgium. He was married to the former Marilyn Louise Mangas from 1945 until her death in January, 2006. He worked in the family dairy business in Union City, Ohio until joining Associates Financial Corp. in 1963, where he spent the remainder of his working career in Marion, Fort Wayne, South Bend and finally at corporate headquarters in
Chicago in 1984.

Bill was an avid fisherman and enjoyed golf and bridge. He and his son Jeff shared many fishing trips to the Canadian wilderness. He was loved for his energy, enthusiasm and warmth and will be so missed. His family has so many wonderful memories of him.

Bill is survived by his daughter, Cathy (Martin B.) Klaus in Cincinnati, Ohio; son, Jeffrey (Jan Anthony) Starr in Plymouth; four grandchildren: Krista Liotta in Philadelphia, Pa., Marty Klaus in Warren, Ohio and Alexandria and Garrett Starr in Plymouth. He has three great-grandchildren: Kate Liotta, and Emily and M. Benjamin Klaus. Also surviving is his brother Eugene (Mary Jean) Starr in Dayton, Ohio.

A memorial service for Bill will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, May 2 in the Welsheimer Family Funeral Home North, 17033 Cleveland Road, South Bend, where friends may call one hour prior to services. Cremation will take place in the Welsheimer Crematory, South Bend.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Regency Place of South Bend for a memorial in Bill’s name, to be established at a later date, in care of Jeffrey Starr, 1435 N. Michigan, Suite 4A, Plymouth, IN 46563.

Family and friends may leave e-mail condolences at welshfh@yahoo.com

Herman Devane Mathews  Date of Death 4/30/2007

ROCHESTER — Herman Devane Mathews of Rochester, 87, died on Monday, April 30.

He is survived by his wife, Charlotte; sons: Charles (Golnaz) Mathews of Fort Wayne and Jim Mathews and Connie Charles of South Bend; daughters: Anne (Steve) Campbell of Indianapolis, Jane (Rick) Van Loon of Gaston, Joyce Wagoner of Rochester and Susie (Tony) Terry of Yorktown; 10 grandchildren; one great-grandson; brother, Ernest (Claire) Mathews of Lakeville; and sister, Mildred (Harold) Meiser of Rochester.

Visitation is Wednesday, May 2 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, and one hour prior to services Thursday in the church. Funeral services are Thursday, May 3 at 11 a.m. at the Bethlehem Baptist Church, Rochester.

Burial will be at the Reichter Cemetery where military graveside rites will be accorded to him by the LeRoy Shelton American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Memorial gifts may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County or Bethlehem Baptist Church.

David Washburn Reid  Date of Death 4/30/2007

ROCHESTER — David Washburn Reid, of Rochester, died on Monday, April 30 at home.

He is survived by his wife, Shirley of Rochester; daughters: Pamela (Keith) Handy of Lafayette, Carla (Rick) Merrill of Apache Junction, Ariz. And Paula (Richard) Murphy of Rochester; two grandchildren; six step-grandchildren and seven step-great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Saturday, May 5 from 1:30 to 5:30 p.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Funeral services are Saturday, May 5 at 5:30 p.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at the Goodland Cemetery, Goodland. A graveside service will be held on Sunday, May 6 at 2 p.m.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.
Lester Lee Williams  Date of Death 5/2/2007

PLYMOUTH — Lester Lee “Les” Williams, 79, an area resident most of his life, died of natural causes in Pilgrim Manor Nursing Home at 5:10 a.m. on Wednesday, May 2, 2007.

Les was born in Newport, Arkansas, on June 19, 1927, the son of Ed F. Williams, a full-blooded Cherokee Indian and Hildred Scudders Williams.

He was first married to Maggie Burnham. She died in September of 1961. He was married in Plymouth on May 6, 1994, to Linda Rhoades Wilcox.

Retired from Bendix in South Bend, he then worked at Fairmont Homes in Nappanee.

Les loved being a farmer. He enjoyed animals and growing flowers in his garden.

He was a devoted grandfather and adored his grandchildren.

Les is survived by his spouse, Linda, and by his five daughters. They are Linda (Ed) Barcus of Plymouth, Margaret (John) Holderman of Plymouth, Judie Lamb of Anderson, Karen (Garry) King of Knox and Connie (Johnnie) Hite of Talma.

Also surviving are three stepdaughters and three stepsons. The step-daughters are: Cindy (Ron) Burch of Tyner, Pam Pinkowski of Plymouth and Cindy Spence of Culver.

The stepsons are: Steve (Kay) Forsythe of Heber Springs, Ark., David Forsythe of Milford and David Wilcox of Plymouth.

Nineteen grandsons, 11 granddaughters, numerous great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandson survive as well.

Les was preceded in death by his parents, his first wife, a daughter, Mary Spore and two sons, Kenneth and Ricky Williams.

Friends will be welcomed to celebrate Les’ life with his family on Friday, May 4, 2007, from 4 to 7 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Les will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, May 5, 2007, in the funeral home. The Rev. Mark Cottrill, pastor of the United Pentecostal Church of Bourbon, will officiate.

Burial will be in the Bremen Cemetery, Bremen.

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

Notes of condolence and the sharing of memories may be sent to the funeral home’s Web site: johnson-danielson.com

Roscoe F. Beerwert  Date of Death 5/3/2007

CULVER — Roscoe F. Beerwert, 79, of Culver, died at 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 3 at Beverly Living Center, Knox.

He is survived by a brother, William Miller of Elkhart; and sisters: Alice (Don) Lutz of Culver, Catherine Herrell of Rochester and Frances Smith of Winamac.

There will be no services.

The Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, is in charge of the arrangements.
Richard James Benefiel  Date of Death 5/3/2007


Richard earned his BA and Masters in Music from the School of Music at Indiana University, Bloomington. Prior to 1968, Richard was the band director at LaVille High School and in LaPaz. In 1968, he began his long and rewarding career as the Band Director at Plymouth High School and Lincoln Junior High until his retirement in 1990. Although music was the vehicle in which he touched so many lives throughout his career, he valued most his family and his country. He served in the United States Airforce, where he was stationed in Wichita Falls, Texas, with the 761st Air Force Band. His music career took him numerous places throughout his life and afforded him the opportunity to meet many people and touch many lives. In 1975, Dick was honored by Governor Otis R. Bowen as an Indiana Ambassador to Mexico. He inaugurated the first “Big Red Band” Variety Show in 1977. This weekend marks the 30th anniversary of a remarkable tradition. In 1986, and then again in 1995, Dick was the Grand Marshal of the Plymouth Blueberry Festival Parade. Richard served as President of the Plymouth Arts Commission in 1975-76 and is one of several co-founders of the organization. He is also a past Commander of the Plymouth American Legion.

Richard attended the First United Methodist Church, was a long-time active member of the Plymouth American Legion Post #27, and a member of the Masonic Lodge 275 in Alexandria.

Richard was preceded in death by his parents Herman Benefiel and Thelma Gronback Benefiel. Surviving is one sister, Reanelle Heritage and husband William of Alexandria; and one brother, Robert Benefiel and wife Louise of Alexandria. Richard's three children also survive: Paula Neidlinger, husband Mike, and their two children Alyson and Nicholas of Plymouth; two sons, David Benefiel of Plymouth; and John Benefiel, wife Barbara, and step-son Aaron of Lafayette.

Visitation is Sunday, May 6, from 3 to 6 p.m. at Van Gilder Funeral Home at 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth.

Funeral services will be conducted Monday, May 7, at 10:30 a.m. at Van Gilder Funeral Home with Reverend Dean Fager and Sam Boys officiating.

Burial will be at the New Oak Hill Cemetery in Plymouth and Military Funeral Honors will be given to Richard by the American Legion Post # 27 of Plymouth. Memorials are asked to be sent to Hospice of Marshall County, American Legion Post #27 in Plymouth, and the First United Methodist Church Music Fund of Plymouth.

Friends may sign the guest book and share memories of Richard with the family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com.


MONTEREY — Ralph J. Fox, 76, of Monterey, died Friday, May 4 at Indiana University Medical Center.

He is survived by his wife, Christine M. Fox of Monterey; daughters: Victoria E. Fox of Vista, Calif., Ann K. and Dennis Plummer of Post. St. Lucie, Fla., Sarah J. Fox of Kokomo and Angela and Chuck Arnett of Destin, Fla.; and sons: Ronald J. and Thelma Fox of Leiters Ford and Randall J. and Arietta Fox of Wesley Chapel, Fla.

Visitation will be from 3 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at Frain Mortuary, Winamac.
Services will be at St. Anne’s Catholic Church in Monterey on Wednesday at ’0 a.m. with the Rev. Bert Woolson and Father Thomas Fox officiating, with Msgr. Robert Sell III.

Burial will be at St. Anne’s Cemetery, Monterey.

Caryl D. Eckert  Date of Death 5/5/2007

BREMEN — Caryl D. Eckert, 74, of Bremen, died Saturday, May 5 at ’0:58 a.m. at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Mishawaka.

On Sept. ‘6, ‘932, he was born to Elmer and Frances (Knepper) Eckert. On Oct. ‘2, ‘963, he married Anita Young in Bourbon. She survives.

He was a lifetime area resident and was owner/operator of Delivery Systems of Bremen. Caryl was also a school bus driver for the Bremen Public Schools for 27 years.

He was a member of Grace United Methodist Church in Bremen and was a former fireman for the Lake of the Woods Volunteer Fire Department. He was a U.S. Army Veteran.

Surviving Caryl along with his wife, Anita of Bremen, is one daughter: Beth and Michael Huppert of Bremen; one son, Michael and Diana Eckert of Indianapolis; five grandchildren: Mitchell and Chelsea Huppert and Jacob, Luke and Cole Eckert; one sister, Anna Marie and Jay Yarger of Carmel and one brother, Robert and Janet Eckert of South Bend.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Visitation will be from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen.

Services will be Wednesday at ’0:30 a.m. at Grace United Methodist Church, 323 N. Montgomery St., Bremen, with the Rev. William Garver officiating.

Burial will be at Bremen Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to Grace United Methodist Church or Lake of the Woods Property Owners Association.

Condolences may be sent to the family via the funeral home’s Web site at www.mishlerfuneralhomes.com.

Daniece V. Rowe  Date of Death 5/5/2007

BREMEN — Daniece V. Rowe, 69, of Bremen, passed away on May 5, 2007, at the Catherine Kasper Home in Donaldson, Indiana. She was born on January 15, 1938, in South Bend, to Bruce & Yvonne (Brollier) Spencer.


A lifetime area resident, Daniece was a Housewife and Mother. She was a member of St. Paul’s Lutheran Church in Bremen and Treasurer of the Community Hospital of Bremen Auxiliary. She received an Achievement Award from Senator Richard Lugar and was an Election precinct poll inspector as well as a Precinct Committee Person.

Survivors include three daughters: Diana (Craig) Schoof of Plymouth, Cindy (Terry) Cinal of Mishawaka, Lisa (John) Scott of Bremen; one son: John (Toni) Rowe of Bremen; five grandchildren: Kyle and Krista Schoof, Nick and Jason Scott, Hannah Rowe; three step-grandchildren: Nate, Shannon and Shane Cinal; one sister: Jeri (Duwayne) Elliott of Bremen, mother-in-law: Olive Rowe of Bremen; two brother-in-laws; one sister-in-law and several nieces.
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Arnesia Lynn Jackson  Date of Death 5/6/2007

Arnesia (Dumplin) Lynn Jackson was born Aug. 2, 1972 to the union of Harvey and Beverly Jackson. She confessed her hope in Christ at an early age in Rochester.

Arnesia was and will always be a continuous gift in the lives she touched.

Arnesia joined New Life Celebration Church of God, Feb. 1, 1998 where she served on the Koinonia Ministry, Greeters Ministry, and her passion she held for the choir; she sung in the Voices of Celebration Choir. Arnesia has so many certificates presented to her from New Life Celebration Church of God. Her dedication to her church was of immeasurable passion. She always looked forward to traveling with her church choir and the yearly picnics. One of her special favorites was going to the women's retreat. At this years retreat, last weekend, Arnesia was recognized for her special gift cards that she placed on every table for all the ladies.

Arnesia was a special person and she lived her life in preparation for this day.

Arnesia graduated from Culver Jr. Sr. High School in 1990, where she continued her education at Ivy Tech State College, where she studied computer literature. Besides from being a joy to her family Arnesia had a very special bond with her grandparents, Pearlie and Eldee Norman, who were there when she was born and there when she departed this life. Not only did she love her granddiddy and grandmommie she cherished them with the utmost respect. Though her life was short her love was long, and everlasting from her soul.

Arnesia leaves to cherish her memories and strength, her father and mother Harvey and Beverly Jackson; four brothers: Harvey III of Kewanna, Joshua L. (Greta) of Kewanaa, David L. (Katrina), of Rochester and Michael L., of Rochester; four sisters: Nianna of Chicago, Ill., Michelle L. of Indianapolis, Vanessa L., of South Bend and Phyllinga L., of Rochester; maternal grandparents, Pearlie and Eldee Norman, of Blue Island, Ill; and a host of uncles, aunts, nephews, nieces, cousin, and friends that was as special to her as her family.

Arnesia was preceded in death by her twin sisters, Sandra Ann, and Wanda Renee and her loving paternal grandmother Rosie Lee Howell-Martinez.

Services will be Saturday, May 5, 2007. Viewing is from 10 to 11 a.m. with services from 11 a.m. to noon at New Life Celebration Church of God, at 14243 South Dante Avenue, Dolton, IL 60419.

Doty Nash Funeral Home, Chicago, Ill., is in charge of the arrangements.

Helen L. Kirkley  Date of Death 5/6/2007

PLYMOUTH — Helen L. Kirkley, 83, a lifetime area resident, living in River Park since 1994, died of natural causes in her residence at 7:03 a.m. on Sunday, May 6, 2007.

She was born in Plymouth, the daughter of Paul R. and Bernice A. Casper Berger on July 12, 1923. She graduated from LaPaz High School with the class of 1941, and Elkhart Business College.
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The couple farmed for two years before moving to Plymouth where Bob worked with his uncle as a well driller for several years. After a few more years, when television came on the market, Helen worked with her husband, first in a television sales, repair, and tower store, followed by the development and growth of the Pi-Rod Tower Co.

A homemaker, she worked in the successful business for more than 20 years.

She was a great conversationalist and loved talking with her family and friends. She especially enjoyed playing cards at the River Park club house.

Helen enjoyed reading, crocheting and crafting hand towels. She was a whiz at crossword puzzles.

A member of the Hospital Auxiliary, Helen volunteered at the hospital gift shop.

A member of the Friendly 30 Home Demonstration Club, she served as past president of the Marshall County Genealogical Society.

Helen is survived by her five children, three daughters and two sons. Her daughters are Cynthia M. (Patric) Smith, Flowery Branch, Ga.; Susan E. (Jerry) Fish, Lawrenceville, Ga.; and Patricia A. Kirkley, Dallas, Ga.


Ten grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren also survive, together with a sister, Ruth (Bernard) Schrome, Lakeville, Ind., and a brother, Clifford R. (Loretta) Berger, Plymouth, Ind. Several nieces and nephews survive as well.

Helen was preceded in death by her husband and Lorraine A. Kirkley, a daughter-in-law.

Friends are invited by her family to celebrate the life of Helen Kirkley on Thursday, May 10, 2007, from 3 to 8 p.m., and after 7 a.m. on Friday, May 11, at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Helen will be at 10 a.m. on Friday, May 11, 2007, in the funeral home. The Rev. Rustin Krapfl, pastor of the Sunrise Chapel where Helen was a member, will officiate.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Helen’s memory may be made to The Society for Progressive Supranuclear Palsy Inc., 11350 McCormick Rd., Suite 906, Hunt Valley, MD 21031 or to the Robert E. Kirkley Memorial Scholarship of the Marshall County Community Foundation, 2701 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, Ind. 46563.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family through the funeral home’s Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com

Rita L. Faulstich  Date of Death 5/8/2007

MONTEREY — Rita L. Faulstich, 85, a long time Monterey, Ind., resident, died of natural causes in the Catherine Kasper Life Center at 11:20 a.m., on Tuesday, May 8, 2007.

Born in Logansport, Ind., on Jan. 8, 1922, she was the daughter of James O. and Ruth M. (O’Herren) Daniels.
She graduated salutatorian of her 1939 Logansport High School class.

On June 12, 1940, Rita was married to Lawrence G. Faulstich in St. Bridget’s Roman Catholic Church in Logansport. Lawrence preceded her in death on June 18, 1994. Their union was a lifelong partnership to build the strong and loving family which was her greatest pride and love. Providing the means for a higher education of their seven children was an important goal and accomplishment in their lives.

Rita was a homemaker and accountant for the family farm which they tended for 66 years.

A skilled woman, she embraced the advent of computer technology and was a devotee of e-mail as a means of keeping her extended family and friends in touch with the latest news.

She loved being with her family and following their many activities. She enjoyed all sports, especially the Cubs, and the Irish of Notre Dame. She played a great game of Scrabble and was an excellent card player with her various clubs.

While living in Monterey, Ind., Rita was a member of St. Anne’s Roman Catholic Church. She was a Eucharist Minister and active in the Altar Rosary Society. A warm and giving person, she donated many hours of volunteer work to St. Anne’s Elementary School, the Katherine Casper Life Center and the gift shop in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.


Twenty-nine grandchildren, 29 great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren survive as well, together with Janet Daniels, a sister-in-law in South Bend.

Preceding her in death were her husband and two brothers, Carl and Donald Daniels.

Friends will be welcomed to share memories and celebrate Rita’s life with her family on Friday, May 11, 2007, from 3 to 8 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth. A rosary will be prayed at 7:30 that evening.

A Mass of Christian Burial for Rita will be celebrated at 10 a.m. on Saturday, May 12, 2007, in St. Michael’s Catholic Church, Plymouth. The Rev. Father William Kummer will officiate.

Burial will follow in St. Anne’s Catholic Cemetery, Monterey, Ind.

The family suggests memorial contributions in Rita’s name be made to Ancilla College, P.O. Box 1, Union Road, Donaldson, IN 46513 or to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation, 610 N. Michigan St., South Bend, IN 46601.

Friends are invited to send letters of condolence to the family by visiting the funeral home Web site at:  www.johnson-danielson.com

Esther Irene Kopka  Date of Death 5/8/2007

ARGOS — Esther Irene Kopka, 74, of 313 N. Grove St. Argos, passed away at 9:35 a.m. on Tuesday, May 8 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth, following a six-month illness.

She was born on Dec. 4, 1932 in Headley, Ind. To Arthur “Doc” and Lora (Wakeman) Clingler. She had lived in Argos for 35 years coming from Winamac. She retired from United Technology of Plymouth where she was a union steward. She was also a member of IBEW Local Union
She is survived by two daughters: Linda (Terry) Gordon of Logansport and Lenora Kopka of Argos; four grandchildren: Honey (Michael) Copeland of Greenwood, Cody Kopka of Logansport, T.J. Gordon of Kokomo and Jessica Gordon of Walton; one niece, Andrea (John) Turner of Logansport; one nephew, Allen Clingler of Indianapolis; and a sister-in-law, Gayhart Kimbrel of Logansport.

She was preceded in death by her parents; two brothers: Andrew (Bud) and Floyd Clingler; and one sister, Junea Kay Clingler.

Friends may visit with the family Thursday, May 10 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, May 10 at the funeral home with Rev. Rob Mace officiating.

Burial will be at Alexander Heinemann Memorial (Ora Cemetery) in Ora.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association, Plymouth Office, 10872 Queen Rd., Plymouth, IN 46563 or the Arthritis Foundation, IN Chapter 8660 Guion Rd., Indianapolis, IN 46268. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home.

Electronic condolences may be sent to the family at memorials@earl-grossmanfuneral.com. This e-mail address is being protected from spam bots, you need JavaScript enabled to view it.

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

**Darwin Monesmith  Date of Death 5/8/2007**

ETNA GREEN — Darwin Monesmith, 76, a resident of 5379 N. State Road 19 Etna Green, went to be with the Lord, on Tuesday, May 8, 2007 at 10:37 a.m. in Parkview Hospital of Fort Wayne. He passed away from injuries from a fall on Monday at his home.

Darwin was born the son of Henry Monesmith and Vera Young Monesmith on Jan. 9, 1931 at Bourbon. He had been a resident of the Bourbon and Etna Green area all his life.

He was joined in marriage on Feb. 1, 1951 to Geraldine Hoffer, who survives, along with his children; David (Harv) and Kathy Monesmith of Bourbon, Michael and Gloria Monesmith of Warsaw, Cheryl and Jeff Heck of Mishawaka and Darlene and Leo Mangus of Plymouth. He was also blessed with seven grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren, a sister Marilee and Richard Holdeman and a brother Don and Lois Monesmith, all of Bourbon.

Oar was a graduate of the class of 1949 from Bourbon High School. He graduated from DeVry Institute with a degree in Electrical Engineering and from R.E.T.S. Technical Institute with his degree in Solid State Electronics. He also completed RCA Broadcast Technical Training.

He retired in 2000 with more than 50 years as a Broadcasting Engineer for TV stations WSJV (CH 28) and WHME (CH46). He also owned and operated a TV repair business for many years and was a part-time farmer. After his retirement, he enjoyed his job of transporting motor homes for New Mar Corporation of Nappanee.

Oar was a faithful member of the First Baptist Church of Bremen. He also was recipient of a Lifetime Membership of the Society of Broadcasting Engineers. He enjoyed going camping, riding his Honda Gold Wing, working with computers and electronics as well as he was licensed with the FCC as a Amateur Ham Radio Operator.

Funeral services to celebrate Darwin’s life will be held on Saturday, May 12 at 1 p.m. in the
Tippecanoe Community Church, 2920 18B Rd with Dr. David Turner and Rev. Jerry Smith, Pastor of First Baptist Church of Bremen officiating.

There will be a time of visiting and sharing memories with the family on Friday, from 2 to 8 p.m. at the Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, 115 S. Main St., Bourbon, IN 46504, also for one hour before services in the church on Saturday.

Burial will take place in Etna Green Cemetery at Etna Green.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Etna Green First Responders or American Cancer Society in his memory.

Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home is in charge of local arrangements.

**Jeffrey Scott Piper  Date of Death 5/10/2007**

INGRAM, Texas — Jeffrey Scott Piper, 50, of Culver and Ingram, Texas, died on Thursday, May 10 in his mother’s home.

He is survived by his wife, D’Ann; son, Harley; daughter, Ashley; stepdaughter, Regan and husband, Mike; stepson, Corey and wife, Stacie; mother, Dorothy Piper of Ingram, Texas; father, James (Joann) Piper of White Plains, Ky.; sisters: Lucretia (Terry) Parker and Kimberly (Everett) Moore; brothers: Michael (Cindy) Piper and Eric (Deleana) Piper; and six step grandchildren.

A memorial service was held on Sunday, May 13.

Memorials may be made to Shepherd’s Chapel, P.O. Box 416, Gravette, AR 72736.

**Ruby Mann  Date of Death 5/11/2007**

KNOX — Ruby Mann, 73, of Knox, died at home on Friday, May 11.

She is survived by daughter, Marsha Livingston of Shelby, N.C.; son, Jory Mann of Knox; sister, Wilma Upsall of Knox; brother, Bill Mann of North Judson; nine grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Monday from 4 to 8 p.m. at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel, and Tuesday at the church after 10 a.m.

Services are Tuesday at 11 a.m. (CDT) at Gospel Lighthouse Church of Knox.

Burial will be at Round Lake Cemetery, Knox.

**Loren J. Borkholder  Date of Death 5/12/2007**

NAPPANEE — Loren J. Borkholder, 50, of Nappanee, died at his residence Saturday, May 12 at 9:50 a.m.

He is survived by his wife, Marilyn Borkholder; sons: Jeremy, Joshua, Joel and John Borkholder, all at home; two grandchildren; mother, Arlowene Borkholder of Goshen; brothers: John B. (Shirley) Borkholder, Larry (Alta) Borkholder and Lavon (Rita) Borkholder, all of Goshen; and sister, Norine Borkholder of Goshen.

Visitation was Sunday at Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home and continues Monday from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m., and one hour prior to services at the church.

Services are Tuesday at 10 a.m. at the North Main Street Mennonite Church.
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Burial will be at Berea Church Cemetery.
Memorials may be made to the Berea Benevolence Fund.

Mark Howdeshell  Date of Death 5/12/2007

ROCHESTER — Mark Howdeshell, 43, of Rochester, died at 2:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 12 at home.

He is survived by his wife, Pam, of Rochester; daughter, Stacey (Elliott) Allen of Fishers; son, Dr. Cory (Rae Ann) Zent of Fishers; one grandson; sister, Rosalie (Mike) Harrison of Port Orange, Fla.; and brothers: James (Jeanne) Pearcy of McHenry, Ill., Malcolm L. (Lora) Howdeshell of Rochester, Patrick (Tracy) Howdeshell of Rochester and Matthew C. Howdeshell of Akron.

Visitation is at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, Tuesday from 5 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to services Wednesday.

Services are at 10 a.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Wilma M. "Willie" Birk  Date of Death 5/13/2007


A devoted mother, she was very proud of her children and grandchildren.

Willie was born in Grovertown, Ind., on Nov. 3, 1940. She was the daughter of Elvin Wesley Eads and Sylvia Reinholt Eads Skoog.

She graduated from Plymouth High School with the class of 1958.

On Oct. 1, 1960, in Plymouth, Willie and Robert L. Birk were married.

A homemaker, Willie was very creative and artistically skilled. She loved gardening and working with her lush flowers. She enjoyed sign language and playing games, including Bingo.

Willie appreciated all kinds of music.

She was a member of the Peru Card club and Delta Theta Tau philanthropic sorority.

Willie is survived by her husband Robert and by their five children; three sons and two daughters

Her daughters and grandchildren are: Robin (Peter, “Chip”) VanBuskirk, and their children, Matthew and Megan, Las Vegas, Nev., and Rhonda (Greg) Dale and their children, Grant and Gracie, North Manchester.

Her sons are: Rodney (Ann) Birk, and their children, Lindsay (Brian) Swihart, Braden and Bayli, Wabash; Randall and Estelle Birk and their children, Marissa and Jacob, Las Vegas, Nev., and Robert “Boo” Birk, Fort Wayne.

Two sisters, Connie (Michael) Gardner, Bremen and Vickie (Kim) Finkenbiner, North Webster and two brothers, Arlie (Dorothy) Eads, Plymouth and Eugene (Linda) Eads, Las Vegas, Nev., also survive.

Willie was preceded in death by her parents and two granddaughters, Brittany Truss and Britain Birk. A sister and brother-in-law, Cynthia and Carl Zimmerman have also died.
Friends will be welcomed by Willie’s family to share memories and celebrate her life on Wednesday, May 16, 2007, from 3 to 8 p.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Willie will be held on Thursday, May 17, 2006, at 2 p.m. in the funeral home. The Rev. Charles Krieg will officiate.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

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

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family through the funeral home’s Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com


ROCHESTER — Claude “Skip” Jameson Jr., 78, of 7577 N. 550 E., Rochester, passed away at 9:34 p.m. on Sunday, May 13 at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester, following a sudden illness.

He was born April 21, 1929 in Mishawaka to Claude and Treva Grundish Jameson. On Feb. 11, 1956, he married Harriet Ann Fultz in Rochester. They later divorced.

He was a 1948 graduate of Talma High School and had resided in the Rochester community for the past 65 years. He was a union electrician, retiring in 1991. He was a member of IBEW Local #668 for 50 years. He was a U.S. Army and Navy veteran of the Korean War. He was a member of the Talma United Methodist Church, a 50-year member of the LeRoy Shelton American Legion, lifetime member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and a member of the Elks Lodge of Rochester. He was also a member of the Mentone Masonic Lodge, the Scottish Rite, St. Joseph Valley and the Ft. Wayne Shrine Club. He was an avid golfer, loved to garden and fish in Minnesota.

He is survived by a daughter, Mary E. Jameson of Perkasie, Pa.; son, Charles “Skip” Jameson of Rochester; two grandchildren: Chelsea Louise Jameson and Trenton Wesley Jameson, both of Rochester; three nieces: Betsy Gilder of Ohio, Susan Matthews of Texas and Dana Daake of Rochester; nephew, David Daake of Rochester; and brother-in-law, Vitte Rudnickas of Ohio.

He was preceded in death by his parents; an infant daughter, Joanne Jameson; and two sisters: Janice Rudnickas and Sandra Daake.

Friends may visit with the family from 4 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, May 16 and one hour prior to services Thursday in the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester.

Funeral services are Thursday, May 17 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home with Pastor Mike Beezley officiating.

Burial will be at the Graceland Cemetery, Claypool. The LeRoy Shelton American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars will conduct military graveside services.

Memorials may be made to the LeRoy Shelton American Legion.

Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com

Kimberly S. Smith  Date of Death 5/13/2007

BOURBON — Kimberly S. Smith, 37, of Bourbon, died on Sunday, May 13.
She is survived by her mother and stepfather, Linda K. and Johnny Williams of Walkerton; her father and stepmother, Dewey T. Sr. and Anna Smith of Winamac; sons: Shawn T. Allen and William Preston Allen, both of Bourbon; one grandson; sister, Shelley Haddix of Plymouth; stepsisters: Janeen Berndt of Hamlet and Deana Jordan of Kingsford Heights; and brother, Dewey T. Smith Jr. of New Carlisle.

Visitation is Wednesday, May 16 from 4 to 8 p.m. CDT at the O'Donnell Funeral Home, North Judson, and after 10 a.m. CDT at the church. Funeral services are Thursday, May 17 at 11 a.m. at Global Harvest Church, Knox.

Burial will be at Highland Cemetery, North Judson.

**Margaret F. (Walterhouse-Nicholas) Parcell  Date of Death 5/14/2007**

LAPORTE — Margaret F. (Walterhouse-Nicholas) Parcell, 96, died at 8:40 p.m. on Monday, May 14 at the Countryside Nursing Home in LaPorte.

She is survived by a daughter, Patricia Simpson of Mill Creek; sons: Donald Nicholas of Walkerton, Billy Nicholas of Salem, Ore., Harold Nicholas of Phoenix, Ariz., Dale and Richard Nicholas both of Niles, Mich. And John Nicholas of Mill Creek; stepdaughters: Vera Kozak of Elkhart and Evelyn Tschupp of Milford and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Visitation is from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, May 18 and one hour before services on Saturday, at the Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen. Funeral services will be held on Saturday, May 19 at 2 p.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at the Bremen Cemetery.

**Robert L. Hodge  Date of Death 5/15/2007**

CULVER - Robert L. Hodge, 81, of Culver passed away on May 15, 2007 at 4:55 p.m. at Memorial Hospital of South Bend.

Robert was born on March 11, 1926 in Carbondale, W. Va., one of three children born to Cornwallace and Celia (Burns) Hodge. After leaving school early, he served his country in the U.S. Army. On June 28, 1957 he married Viola Edison in Logan, W. Va. She preceded him in death on Oct. 29, 1990. They have one daughter.

Bob worked for 16 years as a coal miner in W. Va. He enjoyed fishing and taking care of his two companions - Duke and Duchess. He was a materials driver for R.R. Donnelley in Warsaw.

He is survived by his daughter, Sandra (Richard) Parkhurst of Tinley Park, Ill.; sister, Frances Hans of San Antonio, Texas, granddaughters: Wendi Norton of Culver and Melissa (Tom) O'Donnell of Tinley Park, Ill., and great-grandchildren: Gavin Norton of Culver and Joshua and Ashley O'Donnell of Tinley Park, Ill. Robert is preceded in death by his wife, parents, and one brother.

Friends may join the family in remembering and celebrating his life on Friday, May 18, 2007 from 4 to 8 p.m. EDT at the Bonine-Odom Funeral Home in Culver. Funeral services will be conducted on Saturday, May 19, 2007 at 1 p.m. EDT with a 1/2 hour visitation before the service at the Bonine-Odom Funeral Home. Burial will follow at the Culver Masonic Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be given to the Guiding Eyes For the Blind in Robert's memory. Condolences may be sent via the obituary page at www.bonineodom.com

**Matthew L. Palm  Date of Death 5/15/2007**

KENANSSVILLE, Fla. - Matthew L. Palm, 95, of Kenansville, Fla., formerly of Culver, died at 3:20 p.m. on Tuesday, May 15 at home.
Paul D. "Sarge" Copeland  Date of Death 5/16/2007

MARION, Ohio — Paul D. “Sarge” Copeland, 81, of Marion, Ohio, passed away Wednesday, May 16, 2007, at his residence.

Born Jan. 18, 1926, in Marion, Ohio, he was the son of the late Harry G. and Metta L. (Bush) Copeland Sr.

He served in the U.S. Coast Guard during World War II from 1942-1945. He later served in the U.S. Army during World War II in the European Theater from 1948-1953. He was also in the U.S. Army from 1953 until his retirement in 1965 serving in Panama, Korea and the United States.

On April 1, 1971, he married Rosella (Britz) and she survives in Marion.

Paul was superintendent of the Sanitation Service Department with the city of Marion for 30 years, retiring in 1993. A lifetime resident of Marion, he was a member of the Masonic Lodge #70, the Moose #889 and the Eagles #337.

In addition to his wife, he is also survived by a son, Charles (Connie) Campiti of Plymouth; grandsons: Anthony Campiti and Jason (Jackie) Campiti; great-grandchildren: Gracie and John Campiti; and a brother, Gene Copeland of Tulsa, Okla.

Preceding him in death were two brothers, Harry Copeland Jr. and Richard Copeland; and a sister, Ruth Warwick.

Graveside services will be held at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, May 19, 2007, at St. Mary’s Cemetery with Father Michael Nimocks officiating.

Military rites will be observed by the Marion County United Veterans Council. Friends may call 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. Saturday at Boyd Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial contributions be made to Heartland Hospice or the charity of the donor’s choice.

Leona May Gerard Lutes  Date of Death 5/16/2007

NAPPANEE — Leona May Gerard Lutes, 86, of Nappanee, died at 3 p.m. on Wednesday, May 16 at home.

She is survived by a son, Dewayne (Penny) Lutes of Warsaw; two grandchildren; and a sister, Sarah Sechrist of Etna Green.

Visitation is Sunday, May 20 from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee and one hour prior to services Monday at the church.

Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, May 21 at Mt. Tabor Church of God, Nappanee.
Salvatore "Sammy" Bianco  Date of Death 5/17/2007

KNOX - Salvatore "Sammy" Bianco, 59, of Knox, died on Thursday, May 17 at Memorial Hospital, South Bend.
He is survived by his wife, Trina; daughter, Tammy Bianco; son, Michael Bianco; mother, Theresa Bianco; sisters: Josephine Shinevar and Theresa Brauch; stepdaughters: Renee Craig, Rebecca Garab and Nichole Dudek; stepson, Edward Dudek; and eight grandchildren.

Visitation is Monday, May 21 from 11 a.m. until the time of services at the Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel. Funeral services are Monday at 1 p.m. CDT at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the family.

Madge Blanch Isley  Date of Death 5/17/2007

PLYMOUTH - Madge Blanch Isley, 83, of Plymouth, died on Thursday, May 17 at home.

She is survived by nieces: Mona Ames of Plymouth, Irene Hickey of Bremen and Dorothy Parker of Bourbon; and nephew, Johnny Whitt of Plymouth.

Visitation is Sunday, May 20 from 12:30 to 2 p.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth.

Funeral services are Sunday, May 20 at 2 p.m. at the funeral home.
Burial will be at Union Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorials may be made to the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care.

Rebecca S. Rush  Date of Death 5/17/2007

TIPPECANOE — Rebecca (Becky) S. Rush, 68, of Tippecanoe, died at 6:25 a.m. on Thursday, May 17 in her home.

She is survived by her husband, Larry Rush; children: Suzanne Stone of Tippecanoe and Allen and Sherron Rush of Etna Green; seven grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and a sister, Florence Kreiter of Bourbon.

Funeral services will be held on Monday, May 21 at 2 p.m. in the Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, Bourbon. Visitation is on Sunday, May 20 from 2 to 5 p.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be in the Tippecanoe Cemetery.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Tippecanoe Emergency Medical Service.

Florence Louis Bunton  Date of Death 5/19/2007

Plymouth -- Florence Louise Bunton, 99, of Plymouth, passed away Saturday afternoon May 19, 2007 in Miller's Merry Manor, Plymouth. She was born on July 27, 1907 in Newton, Ill. To Burton A. and Sarah L. (Earnest) Beals. On March 10, 1928 in Luka, Ill. She married Gordon L. Bunton who preceded her in death on Feb. 14, 1990. Mrs. Bunton resided in Lakeville for more than 50 years, and then lived with her granddaughter, Myra (Ronald) White in Plymouth for 10 years and for the past two years, resided in Miller's Merry Manor Nursing Center in Plymouth.
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She was a dedicated homemaker and member of the First United Church of Christ in Plymouth. Prior to moving to Plymouth, she was an active member of the Lakeville Christian Church where she taught Sunday school and took part in all church activities. She enjoyed doing numerous crafts as well as hosting many "Get Togethers" with other members of the church. She was an active member of the Ladies Birthday Club. Mrs. Bunton displayed her love of Christ in the way she lived her life. She played the leading lady in a theater production put on by members of the church at Lakeville High School auditorium in the early '50's about getting married in three days. Her favorite enjoyment of solitude was working in her flowerbeds. She was also well known as a seamstress and doll maker to many folks in Lakeville. She was well loved and highly respected by many.


She is preceded in death by her parents, Burton A. and Sarah L. Beals, her husband of 61 years, Gordon L. Bunton Sr.; son, Gordon L. Bunton Jr.; four sisters, Clara Mulbaney, Gladys Mnorrow, Winnie Murdock and Mary Dasher; two brothers, Arthur and Henry Beals.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday, May 22, 2007 in the Palmer Funeral Home, 314 S. Michigan St., Lakeville. Rev. Steve E. Voelker, pastor of the First United Church of Christ will officiate. Burial will follow in Mount Pleasant Cemetery, Bourbon. Friends may visit with the family from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday in the funeral home.

Contributions n memory of Florence Bunton may be made to the First United Church of Christ 321 N. Center St., Plymouth, IN 46563

Anna Mae Smeltzer Cultice  Date of Death 5/20/2007

CULVER — Anna Mae Smeltzer Cultice, 97, of Culver, died at 6 p.m. on Sunday, May 20 at Miller’s Merry Manor, Culver.

She is survived by daughters: Jean Snyder and Joan Lucas, both of Culver; sister, Ruth Miller of South Bend; nine grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Thursday, May 24 from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver.

Funeral services are Thursday, May 24 at 11:30 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Union Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Sister Mary Erwin Huelskamp  Date of Death 5/21/2007

Donaldson - Sister Mary Erwin Huelskamp PHJC, 92, of Donaldson, died on Monday, May 21 at the Catherine Casper Home, Donaldson.

She is survived by sisters: Sister David Huelskamp and Sister Lorine Huelskamp, both of Donaldson; and sister-in-law Betty Huelskamp of Breese, Ill.

Visitation is Wednesday, May 23 from 4:30 to 9 p.m. at the Catherine Kasper Home, Donaldson. A wake service will be held at 7 p.m.
Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. on Thursday, May 24 at the Catherine Kasper Home.

Burial will be at Mount Carmel Cemetery, Donaldson.

**Wendy Will  Date of Death 5/21/2007**

Nappanee -- Wendy Will, 52, of Nappanee, died at 5:30 a.m. on Monday, May 21 at Memorial Hospital, South Bend.

She is survived by her husband, Mike Will; son, Eugene "Willy" Will of Nappanee; mother, Greta Corsbie of Plymouth; sister, Diane (Phil) Gingerich of Dallas, Texas; and brothers: Jim (Joni) Corsbie of Plymouth, Barry (Nancy) Corsbie of Valparaiso and Gary (Lou) Corsbie of Holland, Mich.

Visitation is Wednesday May 23 from 3 to 8 p.m. at the Thompson-Lengacher Funeral Home, Nappanee.

Funeral services are Thursday, May 24 at 10 a.m. at the Nappanee United Methodist Church, Cremation will follow.

Memorials may be made to the Susan G. Komen "Race for the Cure: (Indianapolis Chapter).

**Grover Allen  Date of Death 5/22/2007**

PLYMOUTH - Grover Allen, 85, of Plymouth, formerly of Koontz Lake, passed away Tuesday, May 22, 2007 at 3:55 p.m. in Pilgrim Manor Nursing Home, Plymouth. Grover was born Feb. 23, 1922 in Salyersville, Ky. to William and Minnie Allen and lived in the Koontz Lake area for 55 years coming from Salyersville. On May 24, 1952 in North Judson, he was married to Anna Lee Moore, who survives. Also surviving are two daughters: Dixie (Bruce) Bennett of Mishawaka and Linda (Ben) Schaller of Bourbon; one son, Charles (Connie) Allen of Downers Grove, Ill.; five grandchildren; four step-grandchildren; nine step-great-grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; sisters: Mildred Bays, Mazie Heister, Eva Rice, Ruth (Glenn) Howard, Ruby Minix and Madge Whickcar, all of Walkerton; brothers: Cleatis "Jack" (Rose) Allen and Warren (Linda) Allen, all of Walkerton, Clifford (Kitty) Allen of Plymouth and William (Doris) Allen of Florida. He was preceded in death by his parents; two sisters: Adgie Allen and Margie Minix; and one brother, Clarence Allen.

Grover was a former employee of New York Blower in LaPorte, a 53-year member of the Calvary Baptist Church of Knox and he loved gardening, fishing and reading The South Bend Tribune and The Salyersville Independent newspapers.

Funeral services will be Saturday at noon EDT at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel. Burial will be in the Grovertown Cemetery. Friends may call Friday from 5 to 9 p.m. and Saturday after 10 a.m. until the time of services. Memorial contributions may be given to the Marshall County Council on Aging, 1305 W. Harrison St., Plymouth, IN 46563 or Calvary Baptist Church, 1515 E. S.R. 10, Knox, IN 46534.

**Denise Leigh Wilkinson  Date of Death 5/22/2007**


Denise grew up in the Fennville/Saugatuck area and graduated from South Haven High School. Loving to travel, she settled down in Boulder, Colo. in 2001.

Surviving are her father, Warren E. Wilkinson of Fennville, Mich.; mother, Dawn and Jack Roose of Plymouth; two brothers: Curtis and Julia Wilkinson of Vicksburg, Mich. And Stuart and Gail Wilkinson of Stanton, Mich.; stepsisters: Kristin Roose and Chelsea Roose, both of Plymouth;
Martha L. Amor  Date of Death 5/23/2007

Martha L. Amor May 23, 2007 KOONTZ LAKE - Martha L. Amor, 72, of Koontz Lake, died Wednesday, May 23 in Horton VNA Hospice Center, Valparaiso.

She is survived by a daughter, Cindy Amor of Koontz Lake; sons: Michael Elbert and Dennis Maddox, both of Koontz Lake; stepdaughter, Linda Carpenter of Rochester; stepsons: Terry Amor and Michael Amor, both of Koontz Lake and David Amor of Walkerton; 12 grandchildren and many great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Thursday, May 24 from 4 to 8 p.m. and Friday, May 25 after 10 a.m. at the Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel.

Funeral services are Friday, May 25 at 11 a.m. CDT at the funeral home.

Burial will be in the Woodlawn Cemetery, Walkerton.

Florence A. Ellinger  Date of Death 5/23/2007

BOURBON - Florence A. Ellinger, age 92, of 200 West Florence St., Bourbon, passed away at 9:45 a.m. on Wednesday, May 23, 2007 at Miller's Merry Manor in Culver.


Florence is survived by her daughters, Janice and Larry Fisher of Plymouth and Patricia and Bob Carver of Meadowview, Va. Also surviving are Florence's 13 grandchildren, 29 great-grandchildren, nine great-great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. Florence was preceded in death by her husband Kenneth, and their daughter, Bonnie Frushour.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, May 26, 2007 at 10:30 a.m. at the VAN GILDER FUNERAL HOME, with the Rev. James Irwin officiating. Burial will be in Burr Oak Cemetery in Culver.

A time of visiting and sharing memories, of Florence with her family, will be on Friday, May 25, 2007 from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

The family requests that memorial contributions be given to Southern Care, Incorporated National City Bank Building, 310 West McKinley, Suite 340, Mishawaka, IN 46545 or the Alzheimer's Association, 9135 North Meridian Street, B-4 Indianapolis, IN 46260.

Friends may sign the guest book and share memories of Florence with her family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com
Lisa Heather Mora  Date of Death 5/23/2007

WARSAW - Lisa Heather Mora, 32, of Warsaw, died Wednesday, May 23.

She is survived by her husband, Omar Mora; sons: Jovan Lee Mora-Bowdler and Adrian Mora, both at home; parents: William and Linda Bowdler of Warsaw; and sisters: Jeannine Bowdler of Winona Lake and Sherry (Steve) James of Waxhaw, N.C.

Funeral services are Tuesday, May 29 at 2 p.m. at Christ's Covenant Church, Warsaw. Burial will be at Oakwood Cemetery, Warsaw.

Memorials may be made to the Jovan and Adrian Trust Fund, c/o Teachers Credit Union, Warsaw. Titus Funeral Home, Warsaw, is in charge of the arrangements.

Charles "Eddie" Binion  Date of Death 5/24/2007

MONTEREY - Charles "Eddie" Binion, 32, of Monterey, died Thursday, May 24 in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

He is survived by his wife, Barbara of Ora; daughters: Alyssa Binion and Kendra Binion, both of Ora; sons: Devon Binion, Charles Binion II and Ethan Binion, all of Ora; parents: Virgil and Darla Binion of Monterey; sister, Janet ("Tim") Maciejack of Knox; and brothers: Virgil "Butch" (Charlotte) Binion II and William "Keith" (Angi) Binion, all of Monterey.

Visitation is Tuesday, May 29 from 4 to 8 p.m. and Wednesday, May 30 after 11 a.m. at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel. Funeral services are Wednesday, May 30 at noon CDT at the funeral home.

Burial will be at the Monterey Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the family.

Edith M. Glass  Date of Death 5/24/2007

Edith M. Glass, age 96, of Mountain Home, Ark., passed away on Thursday, May 24, 2007 at her home in Arkansas.

Edith was born on Aug. 14, 1910 in Winamac to Arthur and Edna (Pfost) Cox. She married the late Dale Glass on June 9, 1934 in Plymouth. Together they raised their three children.

Edith had been a resident of Mountain Home since April of 1990, moving there from Orland Hills, Ill.

Edith is survived by her sons: Ronald N. Glass of Mountain Home, Ark. and William D. and Rosemary Glass, of Elkhart; her daughter, Sandra and Bill Nical, of Crown Point; her brothers: Leonard L. Cox and Arthur Cox Jr.; seven grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. Edith was preceded in death by her loving husband, Dale Glass, five brothers, and three sisters.

Graveside services will be held Wednesday, May 30, 2007 at 2 p.m. in New Oak Hill Cemetery Plymouth with the Rev. Dr. E. Dean Fager officiating. VAN GILDER FUNERAL HOME is handling the arrangements.

A time of visiting and sharing memories of Edith with her family will be on Wednesday, May 30, 2007, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth, IN 46563.

William A. "Billy" Graham Jr., 49, formerly of Walkerton, died on Thursday, May 24 in Kentucky.

He is survived by his parents: William Graham Sr. and Donna (Rick) Parks; sons: William A. Graham III of LaPorte and Zachary Graham of Walkerton; daughters: Tearny (Gene) Lamphier of Walkerton and Tamara Graham of Walkerton; brothers: Brian (Laura) Graham of Walkerton, Albert (Auti) Graham of North Liberty, David (Dawn) Graham of North Liberty and Richard (Carmen) Graham; sisters: Nora (Wayne) Ashton of North Carolina and Diane of Kentucky; and six grandchildren.

Visitation was Sunday, May 27 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Nusbaum-Elkin Funeral Home, Walkerton.

Memorials may be given to the family.

Rev. Ross Dean Cook  Date of Death 5/25/2007

NAPPANEE - Rev. Ross Dean Cook, 75, of Nappanee, died at 6:26 p.m. on Friday, May 25 at Miller's Merry Manor, Wakarusa.

He is survived by his wife, Lois; daughters: Rita (Mark) Pittman of Tomah, Wis. And Diane Stewert of Cicero; son, Gary (Annie) Cook of Syracuse; stepdaughters: Jill (Mike) Anglin of Douglasville, Ga. And Joan (Dan) Krieg of Fort Wayne; stepsons: Mike (Jennifer) Anglin and Tom (Kathy) Anglin, both of Nappanee; 17 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; former wife, Charlotte Morrill of Syracuse; sisters: Ruth Hunt of Amboy and Doris (Richard) Kuntz of Oregon City, Ore.; and brother, Dale Cook of Peru.

Visitation is Tuesday, May 29 from 2 to 8 p.m. at the Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee, and one hour prior to services Wednesday. Funeral services are Wednesday, May 30 at 11 a.m. at Nappanee United Methodist Church.

Burial will be at the Bremen Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Sunshine Unit at Miller's Merry Manor, Wakarusa.

Lois "Jean" Gundrum  Date of Death 5/25/2007

FULTON - Lois "Jean" Gundrum, 62, of Fulton, died at 4:45 a.m. on Friday, May 25 at home.

She is survived by daughter, Deborah S. Carpenter of Jackson, Mich.; two grandsons; four great-grandchildren; stepsons: Richard (Karyn) Gundrum of Logansport and Mark (Brenda) Gundrum of Fulton; two step grandchildren; sisters: Elnora (Jack) Sayger, Clymenia (Willis) Haltermann, Judy (Chuck) Kuhn and Mona (Philip) Snook, all of Rochester; and brothers: Billy (Donna) Tyler, Paul (Sandy) Tyler and Jim Tyler and Betty, all of Rochester.

Visitation is Tuesday, May 29 from 4 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to services Wednesday in the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Funeral services are Wednesday, May 30 at 1 p.m. in the funeral home.

Burial will be at Bruce Lake Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County.

NEWPORT, Tenn. - James Douglas Hekel, 46 of Newport, Tenn., passed away Friday, May 25, 2007 at his home.

He was managing editor of the Newport Plain Talk, a member of Northport Baptist Church and a veteran having served in the United States Army. He was also a former managing editor at the Pilot News.

He is survived by his wife, Karen Hekel of Newport; children: Hilary Hekel of Ft. Drum, N.Y., Jimmie Hekel, Eli Hekel, both of North Little Rock, Ark. And Mandy Smith of Salisbury, N.C., and parents, Glen and Maxine McVey Hekel of Shellsburg, Iowa. James will also be sadly missed by his sister, Marlene (Robin) Lucas of Minn.; brothers: Gary (Jean) Hekel of Shellsburg, Iowa and Jeffrey (Tracy) Hekel of Iowa; also a host of special friends.

James was preceded in death by his grandparents, Kenneth and Rosalea McVey and Lester and Gladys Hekel.

Funeral services will be held 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 29 at Northport Baptist Church with Brother Wade Holbrook officiating.

Burial will be 11 a.m., Wednesday, May 30 in Union Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesday at Northport Baptist Church prior to the funeral. Family and friends may sign the guest register online at: www.manesfuneralhome.com.

Lillie Mae Miller  Date of Death 5/25/2007

KNOX - Lillie Mae Miller, 74, of Knox, died on Friday, May 25 in Knox.

She is survived by her husband, Duepree Miller of Knox; daughters: Wilma (Roy) Hensley of Knox, Brenda (Jerry) Chiles of Knox and Rhonda (Fred) Anderson of Xenia, Ohio; sons: Donald (Jane) Miller of Grovertown, William (Danae) Miller of Knox, Daniel Miller of Knox and Wendell Miller of Knox; 15 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and sisters: Goldie (Adam) Wagers and Lorene Miller, both of Knox.

Visitation was after 4 p.m. on Monday, May 28 at the Braman Funeral Home, Knox. Funeral services are Tuesday, May 29 at 11 a.m. at the Braman & Son Memorial Chapel.

Burial will be at Crown Hill Cemetery, Knox.

Marcia L. Orlea-Susan  Date of Death 5/25/2007

PLYMOUTH - Marcia L. Orlea-Susan, 48, of Plymouth, died on Friday, May 25 at home.

She is survived by son, Timothy Susan of Plymouth; stepdaughter, Brenda Hupp of South Bend; stepson, James L. Susan of South Bend; sister, Janet Lonie of Plymouth; and brother, Malcom S. Orlea of Plymouth.

Family services will be held at a later date.

Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, is in charge of the arrangements.

PLYMOUTH — Marcia L. Orlea-Susan, 48, of Plymouth, died on Friday, May 25 at home.

She is survived by son, Timothy Susan of Plymouth; sister, Janet Lonie of Plymouth; and brother, Malcolm S. Orlea of Plymouth.

A memorial service will be held on Friday, June 1 at 11 a.m. at the LaPaz Community Building.

Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, is in charge of the arrangements.
Patrick Alan Bradley  Date of Death 5/26/2007

Patrick (Pat) Alan Bradley, a resident of Columbia, Ala., died Saturday, May 26, 2007 at his residence. He was 54.

Memorial services for Mr. Bradley will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, May 29 at Cloverdale Baptist Church with Rev. Dennis Singletary officiating. The family will receive friends from 1 p.m. until service time. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Covenant Hospice, 2855 Ross Clark Circle, Suite 110, Dothan, AL 36301.

Mr. Bradley was born March 10, 1953 in Plymouth to Conrad and Wilda Bradley. He has been living in Houston County for the past four years having moved from Martin/St. Lucie County, Fla. Mr. Bradley was a member of Cloverdale Baptist Church where he enjoyed the glorious gift of the promise of eternal life. He was also an avid fisherman and collector of antique model cars. He was an electrician for 35 years, a trade he learned from his father. Mr. Bradley will be missed by all that knew him. His wife, children, grandchildren, family and friends will remember him for the love he showed not only to them but also to 11 motherless puppies, which he adopted and cared for and found a home for, all except the two he kept and loved.

His mother, Wilda Hibnar Cruse, precedes Mr. Bradley in death.

Survivors include his wife, Donna Colyard Bradley of Columbia, Ala.; two daughters: Amanda Dabbous of Brooklyn, N.Y. and Melanie Bradley of Tallahassee, Fla.; grandchildren: Mahdi and Rayna Dabbous of Brooklyn, N.Y.; father, Conrad Bradley of Palm City, Fla.; three sisters: Rebecca Bradley Lovern of Huntsville, Ala., Brenda Sherer of Milford and Kathy Guy of South Bend; and brother, Michael Bradley of Plymouth.

George R. Roush  Date of Death 5/26/2007

WALKERTON - George R. Roush, 73, of Walkerton, died Saturday, May 26 in Walkerton.

He is survived by his wife, Vivian; daughters: Linda Roush of LaPorte and Martha Roush of Bremen; son, David Roush of Walkerton; stepsons: Harold Button of Walkerton and Mark Varga of Omaha, Neb.; brothers: Jerry Roush and Jake Roush, both of Pomeroy, Ohio and Robert Roush of West Virginia.

Visitation is Tuesday, May 29 from 4 to 6 p.m. EDT at the Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel. Funeral services are Tuesday, May 29 at 6 p.m. EDT at the funeral home.

Burial will take place at a later date.

Terry L. Seeders  Date of Death 5/26/2007

PLYMOUTH — Terry L. Seeders, 119 Franklin St., Plymouth, died of a sudden illness in Fort Wayne’s Parkview Hospital at 11:54 p.m. on Saturday, May 26, 2007.

He was only 47-years-old.

His love of life and people will live on. Terry is an organ donor and his gift will save many lives.

Born on Nov. 22, 1960, in Cumberland, Md., Terry was the son of Lee and Sarah Kiefer Seeders. He graduated from Cumberland High School in 1978.

He served 18 years in the United States Army, attaining the rank of Staff Sergeant.

On Oct. 31, 1980, in Germany, he and his wife, Linda Rininger, were married.

After his honorable discharge from the service, Terry worked for Standard Motors as a Process
Engineer for 15 years. In Plymouth, he worked part time for seven years at Pathfinders as a residential care giver.

A person devoted to his job, he always liked to be busy. When he had time, he enjoyed camping and liked to fish.

In addition to his wife, Linda, Terry is survived by his mother and three sons: Jack Seeders, Cory Seeders and Mark Seeders, all of Plymouth.

A grandson, Dylan Seeders, Mishawaka, and three brothers survive as well. They are: Jim Seeders of Maryland, Rick (Pat) Seeders of Tennessee and Jon (Chris) Seeders of Maryland.

Two brothers-in-law, Gene Rininger and Todd Rininger, a sister-in-law, Susan Rininger and a brother-and-sister-in-law, Lyle (Glenda) Rininger, all of Plymouth, also survive.

Terry was preceded in death by his father.

Friends are invited to celebrate Terry’s life with his family from 4 to 7 p.m. on Thursday, May 31, 2007, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Following visitation at 7 p.m., funeral services, officiated by the Rev. Ron Humphrey, pastor of the United Pentecostal House of Prayer, will be held.

Memorial gifts in Terry’s memory may be made to Pathfinders or the Marshall Starke Development Center.

“A Good Man”
Strong    Loving    Giving    Caring

Standing tall, never wavering in his belief of what a husband and father and son should be.

His love, his nurturing, his care giving to those who needed help in everyday life.

In his passing he continues this legacy by being a organ donor so others can survive.

As we say goodbye to my husband, our father, our brother, our son. We ask God to take care of the one that took such good care of all of us, A GOOD MAN.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family through the funeral homes Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com

Jeff Wentzel  Date of Death 5/26/2007

DELPHI - Jeff Wentzel, 49, of Delphi, formerly of Rochester, died at 9:13 p.m. on Saturday, May 26 at St. Elizabeth Hospital, Lafayette.

He is survived by his wife Janet of Delphi; son, Dustin Wentzel of Logansport; stepdaughter, Shelia Maloney of Logansport; two step grandchildren; mother, Shirley Wentzel of Rochester; and brother, David Wentzel of Rochester.

Visitation is Tuesday, May 29 from 4 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to services Wednesday in the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Funeral services are Wednesday, May 30 at 3 p.m. in the funeral home.
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Burial will be at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the family.


MISHAWAKA — Jimmy Marshall, 50, of Mishawaka, formerly of Knox, died on Sunday, May 27 as the result of an auto accident.


Visitation is Friday, June 1 from 4 to 8 p.m. CDT at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel, and Saturday at the church after 10 a.m. Funeral services are Saturday, June 2 at 11 a.m. CDT at United Pentecostal Church of Knox.

Burial will be at Round Lake Cemetery, Knox.

Memorials may be made to United Pentecostal Church.

Michael L. Nies  Date of Death 5/27/2007

Michael L. Nies, 45, of Knox, died on Sunday, May 27 at Starke Memorial Hospital.

He is survived by daughter, Martha Nies of Plymouth; son, Corey Nies of Indianapolis; brothers: Robert “Buster” Nies and Jake Nies, both of Knox; and sisters: Carolyn Miller and Barbara Bailey, both of Knox.

Visitation is after 11 a.m. on Saturday, June 2 at Braman & Son Memorial Chapel, Knox. Funeral services will be Saturday at 2 p.m. at the funeral home.

Cremation will take place.

Margaret "Peggy" Davis  Date of Death 5/28/2007

ROCHESTER — Margaret (Peggy) Davis, 81, of Rochester, formerly of Plymouth, died on Monday, May 28 at home.

She is survived by daughters: Darlene (Michael) Cowger of Rochester, Barb Davis of North Liberty and Cheri Riese of Elkhart; sons: Cary (Shirley) Davis of Wellington, Ky. And Larry (Lois) Davis of Plymouth; and brother, Mel Shinn of LaPorte.

Visitation is Friday, June 1 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth. Funeral services are Saturday, June 2 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorials may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County.

PLYMOUTH — Margaret “Peggy” Davis, 81, a Plymouth resident since 1986, coming from Fort Meyers, Fla., died of natural causes on Monday, May 28, 2007, at the home of her daughter in Rochester.

She previously had lived in Argos and North Liberty.

Peggy was born in North Liberty, the daughter of Walter A. and Erma McKean Shinn, on April 24, 1926. She graduated from North Liberty High School with the class of 1944 and attended
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Manchester College.

On March 8, 1946, Peggy and Carl D. Davis were married in West Lafayette. Carl died in 1993.

Peggy worked for five years from 1970 to 1975 at the Coast to Coast Store in Argos. Peggy spent most of her time helping out on the farm and raising the children.

She enjoyed working and caring for her beautiful flower gardens. Peggy was a good bowler and reveled for good competition.

Peggy is survived by three daughters and two sons. They are Darlene (Michael) Cowger of Rochester, Cheri Riese of Elkhart and Barb Davis of North Liberty. Her sons are Cary (Shirley) Davis of Wellington, Ky. And Larry (Lois) Davis of Plymouth.

She is also survived by 26 grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren and seven great-great-grandchildren.

One brother, Mel Shinn, LaPorte, also survives.

She was preceded in death by her husband; a son, Darwin Carl Davis; two grandsons, Danny Lee Davis and Michael Ernest Cowger, Jr.; and two brothers: Donald and Everett Shinn.

Friends are invited to share memories of Peggy’s life with her family on Friday, June 1, 2007 from 4 to 8 p.m., at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Peggy with the Rev. Robert Vale, pastor of the Argos United Methodist Church, officiating will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, June 2, 2007, at the funeral home.

Burial will be in the New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Peggy’s memory may be given to Hope Hospice of Fulton County.

Notes of condolence may be sent to the family through the funeral home’s Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com

Eva May Dunn  Date of Death 5/28/2007

PLYMOUTH — Eva May Dunn, 78, of Plymouth, died on Monday, May 28 at home.

She is survived by daughter, Susan E. and Dennis (Fraschetti) Johnson of LaPaz; sons: Robert L. Dunn of Plymouth and John and Dorothy Dunn of Plymouth; sisters: Frances P. Swihart of Plymouth, Mary L. Blakeley of Michigan, Ethel M. and Bill Whaley of LaPaz, Bonnie L. Sliter of Arkansas and Connie S. and Ralph Sterling of Arkansas; and brothers: Paul J. and Edna Swihart of Plymouth, Irve H. and Audrey Swihart of Avon Park, Fla. And Roy G. and Diane Swihart of Plymouth.

Visitation is Saturday, June 2 from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth. Funeral services are Saturday, June 2 at 3 p.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Fairmont Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorials may be made to a charity of the donor’s choice.

LaVern G. Hochstetler  Date of Death 5/28/2007

NAPPANEE - LaVern G. Hochstetler, 50, of Nappanee, died at 7:30 a.m. on Monday, May 28 at home.
He is survived by his wife, Ida; sons: Jeff (Sarell) Hochstetler of Wakarusa and Eric Hochstetler of Nappanee; one grandson; mother, Edna Hochstetler of Nappanee; brothers; Mervin Hochstetler of Mesa, Ariz., Dale (Sue) Hochstetler of Bremen and Carl (Carol) Hochstetler of Constantine, Mich.; and sisters: Barbara (Fritz) Mullet of Sarasota, Fla., Loretta (Bob) Miller of Etna Green, Sue (Kevin) Yoder of Nappanee and Mary Lou (Merl) Mullet of Nappanee.

Visitation is Tuesday, May 29 from 5 to 8 p.m. and Wednesday, May 30 from 2 to 4 and 5 to 8 p.m. at the Nappanee Missionary Church Chapel. Funeral services are Thursday at 10:30 a.m. at the church.

Burial will be at Hepton Union Cemetery, Nappanee.

Memorials may be made to Loveway.

Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee, is in charge of the arrangements.

**Doris Jean Hood Date of Death 5/28/2007**

ATHENS, TEXAS — Doris Jean Hood, 82, of Athens, Texas, formerly of Plymouth, died on Monday, May 28 at West Place Nursing Center.

She is survived by daughters: Beverly (Jerry) Pinder of Plymouth, Gail (Robert) Pinder of Trinidad, Texas and Marie (Fred) Bannister of Trinidad, Texas; sons: Terry Hood of Red Oak, Texas and Wayne Hood of Aubrey, Texas; and five grandchildren.

Visitation is Thursday, May 31 from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Tomlinson Funeral Home Chapel, Malakoff, Texas. Funeral services are Thursday at 11 a.m. at the funeral home.

**Patricia A. Keller Date of Death 5/28/2007**

PLYMOUTH — Patricia A. Keller, 74, of Plymouth, died on Monday, May 28 at home.

She is survived by her husband, Robert W. “Bob” Keller of Plymouth; daughters: Toni (Terry) Bergel of Oaklawn, Ill. And Grace (Tim) Beal of Wheatfield; sons: Phil (Dawn) Caruso of Demotte, Rick (Dee) Caruso of Lemott, Ill. And Joe Caruso of Gary; five grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and sisters; Carol Bittles of Plano, Ill. And Vivian Hinson of Lockport, Ill.

Visitation is Wednesday, May 30 from 4 to 8 p.m. and on Thursday, May 31 after 7 a.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home Chapel, Plymouth. Funeral services are Thursday, May 31 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society or the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care.

**Helen Sherman "Pam" Parmalee Date of Death 5/28/2007**

ROCHESTER — Helen Sherman “Pam” Parmalee, 92, of Rochester, died at 8:10 a.m. on Monday May 28 at Life Care Center of Rochester.

She is survived by one nephew, Lonnie Parmalee of Union City, Calif., and two great nieces.

Funeral services will be conducted at 10 a.m. Wednesday May 30 at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday and one hour prior to service at the funeral home.

Burial will be in the Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester.
Alice R. Schumann  Date of Death 5/28/2007

SOUTH BEND — Alice R. Schumann, 76, of South Bend, died on Monday, May 28 at Southfield Village, South Bend.

She is survived by her husband, Paul Schumann of South Bend; daughter, Patricia (James) Horvath of Mishawaka; sons: Roger P. (Elaine) Schumann of Crossville, Tenn., Phillip J. (Deborah) Schumann of Lakeville and Steven J. Schumann of South Bend; eight grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and brother, John Botset of Plymouth.

Visitation is Wednesday, May 30 from 5 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to services on Thursday at the Palmer Funeral Home - Guisinger Chapel, South Bend.

Funeral services are Thursday, May 31 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home.

Betty Heiser  Date of Death 5/29/2007

PLYMOUTH — Betty J. Heiser, age 86, of 221 Pierce Street, Plymouth, passed away at 12:08 p.m. on Tuesday, May 29, 2007 at her home.

Betty was born on Aug. 25, 1920, in Plymouth, to Daniel and Cora (Burton) Beagles. She married Richard F. Heiser on June 17, 1940. He preceded Betty in death on Sept. 22, 1982.

Betty was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth and the Order of Eastern Star Chapter #26.

Betty is survived by her brother, Dr. Raymond and Kay Beagles of Kentucky; her sister, Bernetha Payne of Plymouth; several nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and great-nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband, Richard; her sisters, Helen Koontz and Cecile Bryan; and her brother, Daniel Beagles.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, June 2, 2007 at 10:30 a.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home with the Rev. Dr. Ronald Liechty officiating. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery.

A time of visiting and sharing memories of Betty with her family will be from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. on Saturday at the VAN GILDER FUNERAL HOME, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth, IN 46563.

Delos "Don" Oliver, Sr Niles  Date of Death 5/29/2007

KOONTZ LAKE — Delos “Don” Oliver Niles Sr., 74, of Koontz Lake, died on Tuesday, May 29 at home.

He is survived by his wife, Mary; children: Theresa Allen of Rutland, Vt., Delos Jr. “Skip” (Lauri) Niles of Lake City, Fla., Patti (Bill) Ren of Almagordo, N.M., Shawn (Kim) Niles of Grovertown, Michael (Dottie) Niles of Argos, Don (Lynette) Niles of Koontz Lake and Dwight (Chrissy) Niles of Walkerton; brothers: Winston (Louise) Niles of Smithville, Texas, Colby (Joan) Niles of Grovertown and Earl Niles of Hinsdale, N.H.; 17 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Friday, June 1 from 5 to 9 p.m. and Saturday, June 2 from 9 to 9:30 a.m. at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel, where a rosary service will be held at 5 p.m. Friday.

Funeral services are Saturday, June 2 at 10 a.m. at St. Patrick’s Church of Walkerton.

Burial will be in Grovertown Cemetery.
Mary Ellen Roush  Date of Death 5/30/2007

PLYMOUTH — Mary Ellen Roush, 83, of 635 Oak Hill Avenue, Plymouth, passed away at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 30, 2007 at Miller's Merry Manor in Plymouth.

Mary Ellen was born on June 28, 1923 in Plymouth to Clarence and Carrie (Triplet) Myers. She married Charles (Leo) Roush, on November 19, 1948 in Plymouth. Leo passed away on Aug. 28, 2004. They had lived in the Plymouth area since the time of their marriage. Together they raised their five children. She enjoyed being a homemaker and a mother.

Mary Ellen is survived by her daughters, Dorothy and Bob Majires of Streamwood, Ill. and Diana and Van Price of Plymouth; her sons, David and his companion Debbie of Plymouth, Steve and Laurel Roush of Culver, and Michael and Theresa Roush of Plymouth; 11 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; her sisters, Rita and Roland Stellhorn of Columbia City, Helen and Dale Pritsch of Plymouth, and Dorothy Norris of Plymouth. Mary Ellen was preceded in death by her husband, Charles, and her brother, William Myers.

Funeral services for Mary Ellen, will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, June 4, 2007 at the VAN GILDER FUNERAL HOME with the Rev. Rustin Krapfl officiating. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery.

A time of visiting and sharing memories of Mary Ellen, with her family, will be on Sunday, June 3, 2007 from 4 to 7 p.m. at the VAN GILDER FUNERAL HOME, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth, IN 46563.

Memorial contributions may be given in Mary Ellen's name to Sunrise Chapel, 11802 Lincoln Highway, Plymouth, Indiana, 46563.

Friends may sign the guest book and share memories with the Roush family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com

35, Wyatt, IN 46595 or the American Red Cross.

Charles N. Nigro  Date of Death 5/31/2007

ROCHESTER — Charles N. Nigro, 89, of Rochester, died at 1:55 a.m. on Thursday, May 31 at Hickory Creek of Rochester.

He is survived by a daughter, Ann Kay O'Brien of Glen Allen, Va.; son, Charles Kent Nigro of Mechanicsville, Va.; and sister-in-law, Imogene Leedy.

Private family services will be held. Burial will be at Richland Center Cemetery.

The Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, is in charge of the arrangements.

Edith May Foust  Date of Death 6/3/2007

Edith May Foust, 91 of Scottsdale, Ariz. passed away June 3, 2007 at her home. Born in Wellston, Mich. to Clifford and Ollie (Stump) Stoops, Edith grew up during Depression years in the Walkerton, LaPaz and Plymouth area, graduating from West High School. She married Russell Foust in 1936. Russell was a linotype operator for The Plymouth Pilot News. The couple also resided in Paris, Ill. and eventually in Scottsdale, Ariz. She was preceded in death by her husband, parents, and sister, Ruth Troyer.

She is survived by a daughter, Dee (Robert) McSherry and two grandsons: Eric and Bryce McSherry of Mesa, Ariz. Also surviving are nieces, Janet (John) Posey, Laguna Woods, Calif. And Linda (Glenn) Starr, Plymouth; nephews, Mark (Becky) Troyer, LaPorte and Kevin.

CULVER — Clarence Dale “Rosie” Greer, 39, of Culver, died Monday, June 4.

He is survived by his father, Clarence Greer and sister, Barbara Trent, both of North Judson.

Funeral services will be conducted at the convenience of the family.

O’Donnell Funeral Home, North Judson, is in charge of arrangements.


NAPPANEE — Lucille Huff, age 78, of Nappanee passed away Monday, June 4, 2007 at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center in Mishawaka. She was born Aug. 13, 1928 in Plymouth to Albert and Laura (Roberts) Myers.

She married Evan L. Huff on June 25, 1950 who survives.

Lucille was a member of Grace Untied Methodist Church where she taught Sunday School for many years. She loved family get-togethers, cooking and baking for her family and others. She enjoyed her garden and life on the farm, including caring for her cats. Lucille was a very patient, loving and kind wife, mother and grandmother. Her smile and gentle spirit will be missed.

She is survived by her husband Evan of Nappanee; three daughters, Susan (Richard) Amacher of Mishawaka, Jane (Paul) Linderud of Crandon, Wisc., and Lois (William) Sheley of Elkhart; one son, Robert (Regina) Huff of Bremen; one sister, Marian Munn of Plymouth; nine grandchildren, Heidi (Ryan) Sturum of Wisconsin, Gregory Amacher of Florida, Laura and Amy Amacher of Mishawaka, Todd, Chad and Troy Huff all of Bremen, and Jessica and Annelies Linderud of Wisconsin.

She was preceded in death by her parents; one sister, Geraldine Ritchey; and one brother, Eldon Myers.

Friends may call from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. at the Mishler Funeral Home, 2030 S.R. 331, Bremen Thursday.

Services will be held Friday, June 8, at 10:30 a.m. at Grace United Methodist Church, 232 N. Montgomery St. in Bremen and will be officiated by Pastor William Garver.

Burial will follow at the Bremen Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Grace United Methodist Church in Bremen.

Online condolences may be sent via the funeral home at www.mishlerfuneralhomes.com.

June Pearl Wickizer  Date of Death 6/4/2007

GOSHEN — June Pearl Wickizer, 91, of Goshen, formerly of Argos, died at 3 a.m. Monday, June 4 at Eastlake Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Elkhart.
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She was born June 12, 1915 in Mexico, Ind. To Ross and Thelma (Clark) Benedict. She married J. Morris Wickizer on July 4, 1937 in Argos. He preceded her in death on Oct. 18, 1979. She and her husband had lived in Argos before moving to South Bend in 1959. She was a homemaker.

June graduated from Argos High School in 1933 and was a lifetime member of the Eastern Star of Argos.

She is survived by one daughter: Jo Nina and Calvin Nolan of Goshen; one son, John Michael and Yvonne Wickizer of Swanton, Ohio; four grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; one brother: John and Jean Benedict of Warsaw and one sister: Adeline and Chuck Oliver of Tucson, Ariz.

She was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, four sisters and one brother.

Visitation is Thursday, June 7, from noon to 2 p.m. at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home with the Rev. Robert Vale officiating.

Burial will be at Maple Grove Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer Association, Northern Indiana Chapter, 425 N. Michigan St., Suite 308, South Bend, IN 46601.

Electronic condolences may be sent to the family at memorials@earl-grossmanfuneral.com. This e-mail address is being protected from spam bots, you need JavaScript enabled to view it

Rev. Thomas L. Balje  Date of Death 6/5/2007

KNOX — Rev. Thomas J. Balje, 56, of Knox, died Tuesday, June 5 in his home.

He is survived by his wife Pam, three step-sons, Wayne Fisher of Arkansas, John Fisher of Knox and Brett Fisher of Columbus; three step-grandchildren and one brother, Jack Balje of Knox.

Visitation is Friday from 4 to 8 p.m. CDT at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel, and one hour prior to services.

Services are Saturday at 11 a.m. at the funeral home with Pastor Jack Hudgens officiating.

Burial will be at Oak Park Cemetery, Knox.

Memorial contributions may be made to Rannells Funeral Home, P.O. Box 500, Hamlet, IN 4653.

Edith Cunningham  Date of Death 6/5/2007

KNOX — Edith Cunningham, 87, of Knox, died Tuesday, June 5 at Beverly Living Center, Knox.

She is survived by one son, Tom Cunningham of Union Mills; one sister, Virginia Bates of Kingsbury; one brother, William Lile of Plymouth; two grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Thursday from 4 to 8 p.m. at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel, and 9 a.m. Friday until the time of services.

Services will be Friday at 11 a.m. at the funeral home, with Pastor Steve Cunningham officiating.

Burial will be at Hanna Cemetery.
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Memorials may be made to the Starke County Council on Aging, 311 E. Culver Rd., Knox, IN 46501.

Glenn F. Frenzen  Date of Death 6/6/2007

IOWA CITY, Iowa — Glenn F. Frenzen, 86, of 2801 Highway 6 East, Iowa City, Iowa died Wednesday, June 6, 2007, at Mercy Hospital in Iowa City.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m., Monday, June 11, 2007 at St. Mark's United Methodist Church in Iowa City with the Reverend John Caldwell officiating. Burial with Military Honors was held at Memory Gardens Cemetery.

Glenn, the son of Frank and Lillie (Stacy) Frenzen, was born Dec. 19, 1920, in Fullerton, Neb. He graduated from Fullerton High in 1939, went on to receive his B.S. and master's degrees from Northeast State Teachers College (Truman State University) in Kirksville, Mo. During World War II, he served his country in the United States Navy. On March 9, 1947, Glenn married Lorene Dinger in Kahoka, Mo. For many years he taught secondary education in Iowa and at I & T at Fort Zumwalt in O'Fallon, Missouri from 1974 to 1984. They retired to Knox and moved to Iowa City in 1993 to be near family.

In Knox, Glenn was a member of the Masonic Lodge No. 639 A.F. & A.M. He was a member of the Orak Shrine in Michigan City; in Iowa City area he was a member of the Clarksville Lodge No 668 A.F. & A.M. in Coralville; and the Bethlehem White Shrine and Shrine Club of Iowa City. Glenn was a member of the Handicapped Travel Club. He and Lorene loved traveling and camping, belonged to a number of camping groups over the years including Good Sam's. He was a man that enjoyed the outdoors, hunting and fishing. He loved woodworking and crafts, and those who knew him knew his great wit!

His family includes his wife of 60 years, Lorene; three children and their spouses: Ronald Frenzen and Sarah of Tecumseh, Mich.; Darold Frenzen and Melinda of Kansas City, Mo. And Judy Steffen and Jim of Iowa City; six grandchildren: Ellen Lower and her husband, Brian, Abby Frenzen, Janae Steffen, Kari Steffen, Nicki Steffen, and Jake Steffen.

Glenn was preceded in death by his parents, and two brothers, and one sister. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be given in Glenn's memory to Pathway Adult Day Care or The Children's Shrine Hospital in Chicago. Online condolences may be sent to his family through the web @www.gayandciha.com.

Gay & Ciha Funeral and Cremation Service is caring for Glenn's family and his services.

Ferry "F.J." Collins  Date of Death 6/7/2007

PLYMOUTH — Ferry "F.J." Collins, 84, 873 Wilson Circle, Plymouth, died, following an extended illness, at 7:47 a.m., on Thursday, June 7, 2007, in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Ferry had lived in Plymouth, coming from Indianapolis, since 1982, and was also a longtime resident of Muncie.

He was born on March 27, 1923, in Freetown, Ind., the son of Ivor I. and Fay Phillips Collins. He graduated from Muncie Burris High School with the class of 1941.

A Master Sergeant in the United States Army during World War II, F.J. served in the infantry from 1943 to 1946 with Patton's 3rd Army.

On June 15, 1974, F.J. and Carol "Sue" Irwin were married in Muncie.

A District Plant Manager for Indiana Bell, Indianapolis, with 41 years of service, he retired in
A dedicated outdoorsman, he enjoyed hunting and fishing trips to Canada with family and friends. He also engaged in those sports locally as well as gardening, playing golf and woodworking projects.

He was admired by his family for his great work ethic, his energy and his drive.

Ferry is survived by his wife, Sue and by five children and five step-children.


Four stepsons are Ron E. Collins of Fort Lewis, Wash., Dean G. (Anita) Collins of Pittsboro, Ind., D. Shane (Chris) McClellan of Hurst, Texas, Jim P. (Lori) McClellan of Plymouth.

His stepdaughter is Theresa L. “Teri” McClellan of Coeur d’Alene, Idaho.

Twenty-seven grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren — with a new arrival expected soon — also survive together with three sisters. They are Carol Warner, Heartland, Mich., Kay (Robert) Butler and Peggy Armstrong, both of Muncie.

Numerous nieces and nephews survive as well.

Ferry was preceded in death by his parents and one sister, Kathleen Jeep.

Friends are invited to celebrate Ferry’s life and share memories with his family on Sunday, June 10, 2007, from 3 to 7 p.m. and after 7 a.m. on Monday, June 11, at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. on Monday, June 11, 2007, at the funeral home with his nephew; Father Kevin Warner and son, Ron Collins, will officiate.

Military honors at the New Oakhill Cemetery will be provided by Plymouth American Legion Post 27.

Memorial gifts may be made to the American Cancer or American Lung Associations.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family through the funeral home’s Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com

**Ruth B. Joy  Date of Death 6/7/2007**


Mrs. Joy was a 1933 graduate of Greenville High School and graduated from Greenville College in 1938. In her younger years, she assisted in the family restaurant business and after graduation from college she taught in elementary school in Winchester, Ill. For three years before returning to Greenville where she substituted for many years in the elementary school.

She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Greenville where she was active for many years as a Sunday school teacher, superintendent and elder, deacon and president of the missionary society. She was one of the founding officers of the Greenville Regional Hospital Christmas Bazaar. She was an active member for the Red Cross and a member of the Shakespeare’s Club.
She is survived by daughters: Emily (Leo) Watson of Kokomo and Mrs. Anne Rimer of Santa Monica, Calif.; son, Frank (Nancy) Joy Jr. of Greenville, Ill.; five grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband; two sisters: Cornelia Neeley and Elva McIntyre; and a brother, Eldon Brietenbach.

Visitation was Monday, June 11 from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Young Funeral Home, 118 E. College Ave., Greenville, Ill.

Funeral services were Tuesday, June 12 at 11 a.m. at Greenville First Presbyterian Church with Rev. Ken Bryant officiating.

Burial was at Montrose Abbey, Greenville, Ill.

Memorials may be made to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, 1261 W. 86th St., Suite E-2, Indianapolis, IN 46260.

Evadene D. Richhart  Date of Death 6/8/2007

BREMEN - Evadene D. Richhart, 82, of Bremen, died at 2:20 p.m. on Friday, June 8 at home.

She is survived by her husband, Everett J. Richhart; son, Delane (Cherie) Richhart of Lakeville; daughter, Dorene (Michael) Muszer of South Bend; eight grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and a brother, Bernard (Ruth) Schrome of LaPaz.

A private family service was held at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos, at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, June 12.

Burial was at the Bremen Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Best Friends Animal Society, 5001 Angel Canyon Rd., Kanab, UT 84741-5000 or Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, Inc., 112 S. Center St., Suite C, Plymouth, IN 46563 or Center for Cancer Care, 200 High Park Ave., Goshen, IN 46526.

Deenene Flickinger  Date of Death 6/9/2007

NAPPANEE — Deenene Flickinger, 42, of Nappanee, died at 11:58 p.m. on Saturday, June 9 at Elkhart General Hospital from injuries suffered in a car/motorcycle accident.

She is survived by a son, Carl Flickinger Jr. of Milford; daughter, April Flickinger of St. Louis, Mo.; parents, Don and Meme Stephens of Mishawaka; one granddaughter; grandfather, Dennis Wilhelm of Decatur, Ill.; sister, Marie Waska of Alaska; and companion, Kim Nine of Nappanee.

Visitation is Friday, June 15 from 2 to 8 p.m. and for one hour prior to services Saturday at the Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee.

Funeral services are Saturday, June 16 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the Deenene Flickinger Memorial Fund.

Donald C. Hott  Date of Death 6/9/2007

WEST CARROLLTON, Ohio — A former Plymouth resident, Donald C. Hott, 71, of West Carrollton, Ohio passed away Saturday, June 9, 2007 at Southview Hospital, Centerville, Ohio after being in failing health. Services were held Wednesday, June 13 with interment in Evergreen Cemetery, West Carrollton, Ohio. Pastor Coy Barrett officiated.
As a real estate appraiser, Don served the Dayton area for 17 years. From 1958-1960, he was a member of the U.S. Army Band.

His wife of 39 years, Lou Ella, survives with a daughter, Shirley Fairchild, and two grandchildren. Also surviving is a sister, Sally Birmingham of Memphis, Tenn.

He was preceded in death by his father, Emerson K. Hott; his mother, Mrs. Letty J. Couse and a brother, E. David Hott.

Newcomer Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

Alan C. Ewing  Date of Death 6/10/2007

WARSAW - Alan C. Ewing, 59, of Warsaw, died on Sunday, June 10 in Mentone.

He is survived by his wife, Dawn; daughters: Andrea Ewing of Mentone and Mandy (John) Gervais of Etna Green; three grandchildren; his mother; Hazel "Skip" Ewing of Etna Green; and his brother, Brian Ewing and Tanya Thomas of Pennsylvania.

Visitation is Thursday, June 14 from 2 to 8 p.m. at the Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, Bourbon. Funeral services are Friday, June 15 at 11 a.m. in the Etna Green Cemetery. Burial will follow in the Etna Green Cemetery at Etna Green.

Alicia Renae Miller  Date of Death 6/10/2007

NEW PARIS — Alicia Renae Miller, 17, of New Paris, died on Sunday, June 10 at the scene of an automobile accident in Nappanee.

She is survived by her parents, Ron and Edith Miller of New Paris; brother, Anson Miller, at home; sisters: Angela Miller and Abigail Miller, both at home; grandparents: Wayne and Mary (Troyer) Miller of Sugar Creek, Ohio and Elmer and Irene (Yoder) Yoder of Ligonier; and great-grandmother, Mary Miller of Sugar Creek, Ohio.

Visitation is Wednesday, June 13 from 5 to 8 p.m. and Thursday, June 14 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. at the Bethel Conservative Mennonite Church, Nappanee.

Funeral services are Friday, June 15 at 10 a.m. at the church.

Burial will be at the Bethel Conservative Mennonite Church Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Alicia and Austin Miller Memorial Fund.

The Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee, is in charge of the arrangements.

NEW PARIS — Austin Lavon Miller, 15, of New Paris, died on Sunday, June 10 from injuries sustained in an automobile accident in Nappanee.

He is survived by his parents, Ron and Edith Miller of New Paris; brother, Anson Miller, at home; sisters: Angela Miller and Abigail Miller, both at home; grandparents: Wayne and Mary (Troyer) Miller of Sugar Creek, Ohio and Elmer and Irene (Yoder) Yoder of Ligonier; and great-grandmother, Mary Miller of Sugar Creek, Ohio.

Visitation is Wednesday, June 13 from 5 to 8 p.m. and Thursday, June 14 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. at the Bethel Conservative Mennonite Church, Nappanee.

Funeral services are Friday, June 15 at 10 a.m. at the church.

Burial will be at the Bethel Conservative Mennonite Church Cemetery.
Deverl "Doc" Jefferies  Date of Death 6/11/2007

ROCHESTER — Deverl “Doc” Jefferies, 87, of Rochester, died at 7:13 p.m. on Monday, June 11 at Life Care Center of Rochester.

He is survived by his wife, Martha Jefferies of Rochester; daughter, Janelle (Brian) Green of Rochester; and sister, Retha Ballenger of Warsaw.

There will be no visitation. A graveside service will be at 11 a.m. on Thursday, June 14 at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the charity of one's choice.

The Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, is in charge of the arrangements.

Trevor L. Yoder  Date of Death 6/11/2007

PLYMOUTH — Trevor L. Yoder, 16, of 24649 Tyler Rd., Plymouth, passed away at 11:50 a.m. on Monday, June 11 at Memorial Hospital of South Bend. He was born on July 3, 1990 in Bremen to Menno and Doris (Hershberger) Yoder.

Trevor just completed his sophomore year at United Christian School in Nappanee. He worked at All Seasons Tent & Party Rental in Nappanee and was a member of the North Liberty Mennonite Church.

He is survived by his parents, Menno and Doris Yoder of Plymouth; one sister, Kelly Yoder, at home; one brother, Spenser Yoder, at home; maternal grandparents, Lamar and Clara Hershberger of Nappanee; and paternal grandparents, Emmon and MaryAnna Yoder of Etna Green.

Visitation was Tuesday, June 12 from 5 to 8 p.m. and is Wednesday, June 13 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. at Rieth-Rohrer-Ehret-Lienhart Funeral Home, 117 W. Waterford St., Wakarusa.

Funeral services are Thursday, June 14 at 10 a.m. at the Nappanee Missionary Church with Rev. Ray Stutzman, Rev. Gilbert Miller and Rev. Noah Knepp Jr. officiating.

Burial will be at the Bethel Cemetery, Nappanee.

Memorials may be made to United Christian Mission, 30795 C.R. 46, Wakarusa, IN 46573.

Online condolences may be sent at www.rrefh.com.

David William, Rev. Widmoyer  Date of Death 6/12/2007

NAPPANEE — Honorable Rev. David William Widmoyer, 76, of Nappanee, died at 2:06 a.m. on Tuesday, June 12 at Greencroft Healthcare.

He is survived by his wife, Donna Widmoyer; son, Clark (Kathy) Widmoyer of Elkhart; daughters: Beth (David) Bowman of Nappanee, Gail (Vincent) Alexander of Indianapolis and Portia (Steve) Ham of Nappanee; eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Sunday, June 17 from 1 to 7 p.m. at the Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee, and one hour prior to services at the church Monday. Masonic services will be held at 7 p.m. Sunday.
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Funeral services are Monday, June 18 at 10 a.m. at the Nappanee United Methodist Church.

Burial will be at Union Center Cemetery, Nappanee.

Memorials may be made to the Elkhart County Community Foundation or the donor's choice.

**Verona Jean "Skip" Gaskill  Date of Death 6/15/2007**

ELKHART — Verona Jean “Skip” Gaskill, 74, died Friday June 15 at Elkhart General Hospital.

She is survived by daughters: Cathy Mullett of Warsaw and Sara and Doug Hill of Carmel; son, Clint and Mary Gaskill of Rocky Mount, N.C.; seven grandchildren and six great-grandchildren and sister, Janet Johnson of Amarillo, Texas as well as her mother, Kathryn Heisler of Warsaw.

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**Margaret E. Knepper  Date of Death 6/17/2007**

PLYMOUTH — Margaret E. Knepper, 88, formerly of Garden Court West, died of natural causes in Pilgrim Manor Nursing Home at 6:25 a.m. on Sunday, June 17, 2007.

Margaret was born in Argos on Aug. 13, 1918. She was the daughter of Edgar and Grace Williams Methney.

She attended Argos schools.

On July 20, 1935, Margaret and Howard A. Knepper were married. Howard died in August of 1977.

A homemaker in the early years of her marriage, she raised seven children. Later she was a general laborer at Bremen Wire.

An animal enthusiast, she loved dogs and cats. She was adept at crocheting and enjoyed working with sequins and beads.

She attended the Plymouth Baptist Church.
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Margaret is survived by three daughters and two sons. Her daughters are Judy M. Dildine of Round Rock, Texas, Linda (Ed) Krecik of Knox and Sally O’Dell of Orrville, Ohio.

Her sons are Richard A. (Shurla) Knepper and Ronald E. Knepper, both of Plymouth.

A daughter-in-law, Barbara Knepper of Plymouth, also survives together with a sister, Mary Spitler of Argos.

Fourteen grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren also survive.

Margaret was preceded in death by a son, James E. Knepper and a daughter, Mary Jane Knepper, son-in-law, John O’Dell, and daughter-in-law, Susan I. Knepper.

To celebrate her life, a memorial service for Margaret will be held at 3 p.m. on Wednesday, June 20, 2007, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth. There will be an hour of calling prior to services.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

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

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family via the funeral home’s Web site: www. Johnson-danielson.com

Forest V. “Frosty” Brundige  Date of Death 6/18/2007

PLYMOUTH — Forest V. “Frosty” Brundige, 82, of Plymouth, died on Monday, June 18 at the Catherine Kasper Life Center, Donaldson.

He is survived by his wife, Darlene G. Brundige of Plymouth; daughter, Connie (Cecil) Ottow of Plymouth; stepdaughter, Debra (Dick) Stout of Red Lodge, Mont.; stepson, Steven (Jane) Nelson of Plymouth; two grandchildren; and sister, Helen M. Haines of Plymouth.

Visitation is Thursday, June 21 from 4 to 7 p.m. and Friday, June 22 after 7 a.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth. Funeral services are Friday, June 22 at 10:30 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorials may be made to the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, Plymouth, or the Catherine Kasper Life Center.

George R. Nicher  Date of Death 6/18/2007

OBER - George Ralph Nicher, 84, of Ober, died on Monday, June 18 at his daughter's home in North Judson. He is survived by his wife, Florence Anna Nicher of Knox; sons: Gary Nicher of Walkerton and Jerry Nicher of Bass Lake; daughters: Sharon Fletcher of North Judson, Robin Baca of Knox and George Ann Noble; 15 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; and sisters: Betty Ritter of Rochester, Virginia Spencer of Plymouth and Lula Wallace of Argos.

Visitation was Tuesday, June 19 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Braman and Son Memorial Chapel, Knox. Funeral services are Wednesday, June 20 at 1 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at the Culver Masonic Cemetery. Doris Zeltwanger June 18, 2007 BREMEN - Doris Zeltwanger, 82, of rural Bremen, died on Monday, June 18 at home. Arrangements are pending at the Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen.
Doris Zeltwanger  Date of Death 6/18/2007

BREMEN - Doris Zeltwanger, 82, of rural Bremen, died Monday, June 18 in her home.

Doris is survived by her children: Susan (Ron) Goerzen and Margo (Glenn) Balsis, both of Colorado Springs, Colo., Janna (Jeff) Siemon of Pasadena, Calif., Gwen (Lon) Keaton of Fort Wayne, Beth (Don) Hendricks and Ron (Lana) Zeltwanger, both of Bremen and Janine Zeltwanger of Indianapolis; grandchildren; brothers: Wes Scharlach of Merrillville and Melvin (Marge) Scharlach of Winter Haven, Fla.; her in-laws: Don Zeltwanger and Earl (Marge) Zeltwanger of Bremen, Mary Ann (Gene) Witzig of Morton, Ill., Harold (Marge) Zeltwanger of Mishawaka and Terry Taylor of Haines City, Fla.

Visitation is from 1 to 8 p.m. on Friday, June 22 at The Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen. A graveside service will be held on Saturday, June 23 at 10 a.m. in the Bremen Cemetery. A celebration of life follows at Community Gospel Church, Bremen at 11 a.m. on Saturday, following the Graveside Services.

Memorials may be made to Community Gospel Church Women's Ministry or Bremen School Release Time Bible Class.

Dale F. Baker  Date of Death 6/19/2007

PLYMOUTH - Dale F. Baker, 58, of Plymouth, died at 7:51 a.m. on June 19, 2007 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Dale was born on Dec. 1, 1948 in Indianapolis to Larry and Marjorie (Shotts) Baker. Dale was 1967 graduate of Elston High School in Michigan City and an electrical engineering graduate of Purdue University.

He worked at NIPSCO for 37 1/2 years after having served in the U.S. Army, serving in Vietnam with the Blue Ghost Squadron. He was a Past White Hat Commander of the Finney-Shilling VFW Post 6919 in Culver, serving in that role from 1990 - 1992. He was also a member of the American Legion and the Federation of Eagles.

His two great passions were gardening and kayaking. He was also a master gardener and enjoyed landscaping.


Visitation with the family will be held on Friday, June 22, 2007 at the Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver from 2 to 8 p.m. EDT. Funeral services will be held on Saturday, June 23, 2007 at 10 a.m. EDT at the funeral home with interment following at the Culver Masonic Cemetery. Memorials may be given to the Finney-Shilling VFW Post 6919.

Otto D. Hostetler  Date of Death 6/19/2007

WALKERTON — Otho D. Hostetler, 81, of Walkerton, passed away at 7 p.m. Tuesday, June 19, 2007 in his home. He was born on May 11, 1926 in Wyatt to Clayton and Virginia (Ritter) Hostetler. On March 13, 1949 in North Liberty, he married the former Retha R. Moyer who preceded him in death on Feb. 28, 1996.
Mr. Hostetler is survived by three sons: Stephen Hostetler of De Bary, Fla., Mark (Terri) Hostetler of Middleburg, Fla. And Thomas (Angela) Hostetler of Bremen; a brother, Harold Hostetler of Gainesville, Fla.; seven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Mr. Hostetler was a lifelong area resident. He served in the United States Army Air Force during World War II serving in the Pacific Islands. He was a member of the Pine Creek Church of the Brethren, serving eleven years as chairman of the building committee. Mr. Hostetler loved to sing in choirs and quartets.

A memorial service will be held at 3 p.m. Sunday, June 24, 2007 in the Pine Creek Church of the Brethren, 69531 Pine Rd., North Liberty. Rev. Norman Replogle will officiate. Friends may visit with the family from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Saturday, June 23, 2007 in the Palmer Funeral Home, 314 S. Michigan St., Lakeville.

Contributions in memory of Otho D. Hostetler may be offered to the Pine Creek Church of the Brethren.

Phyllis J. Leeper  Date of Death 6/19/2007

BREMEN - Phyllis J. Leeper, 79, of Bremen, died at 8:40 a.m. on Tuesday, June 19 at Community Hospital of Bremen.

She is survived by her husband, Ronald of Bremen; daughter, Mary Leeper of Bremen; daughter-in-law, Shirley Leeper of Middlebury, three grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; brothers-in-law: Leon (Eunice) Leeper of Bridgman, Mich., Dennis (Cindy) Leeper of Bremen and Hayward Stuntz of Plymouth; and sister-in-law, Marlena Dube of Bremen.

Visitation is Thursday, June 21 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. at the United Pentecostal Church of Bourbon Services will be held on Friday, June 22 at 10:30 a.m. at the church. Burial will be at the Bourbon Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the United Pentecostal Church of Bourbon Parking Lot Fund, 201 N. Bourbon St., Bourbon, IN 46504.

The Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen is assisting with the arrangements.

Lee H. Stoughton  Date of Death 6/19/2007


He is survived by his wife, Lois (Holdread) Stoughton; children: Rick (JoAnn) Stoughton, Bryan (Linda) Stoughton and Susan Stoughton; three grandchildren; and one great-grandson.

Funeral services were held June 26 at 11 a.m. at Orangethorpe Methodist Church, Fullerton, Calif.

A memorial service will be held Aug. 18 in Eugene, Ore.

Memorials may be made to the Lee Stoughton Memorial Fund c/o Orangethorpe United Methodist Church, 2351 Orangethorpe Ave., Fullerton, CA 92833-4399.

McAulay & Wallace Mortuary, Fullerton, Calif., was in charge of the arrangements.

Wilbur R. Weaver  Date of Death 6/19/2007

VENICE, Fla. — Wilbur R. Weaver, 82, of Venice, Fla., formerly of Bremen, died at 2:15 p.m. on Tuesday, June 19 at Venice Regional Medical Center, Venice, Fla.

He is survived by his wife, Wanda of Venice, Fla.; daughter, Judith (Weaver) White of South Bend; son, Dennis Weaver of Bremen; sisters: Erma Kulp of Goshen, Lois Stickel of Goshen
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and Madene Balsley of Bremen; brother, Wayne Weaver of Elkhart; five grandchildren and 10
great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Monday, June 25 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. at the Rieth-Rohrer-Ehret-Lienhart
Funeral Home, Wakarusa.

Funeral services are Tuesday, June 26 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at the Bremen Cemetery.

Ashli Christine Hepler  Date of Death 6/20/2007

GRANGER — Ashli Christine Hepler, 33, of Granger, died at 6:10 p.m. on Wednesday, June 20
at home.

She is survived by her parents, Randy and Perri Hepler of Nappanee; sisters: Alysia (Tory) Lutz
of Nappanee and Anne (Joel) Boehner of Granger; grandparents: Sandra Leakey of Marco
Island, Fla., Wilfred Lamar Hepler of Nappanee and James Fervida of Nappanee.

Visitation is Saturday, June 23 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the St. Mark Missionary Church,
Mishawaka.

Funeral services are Saturday, June 23 at 2 p.m. at the church.

A private burial will take place at the Union Center Cemetery, Nappanee.

Memorials may be made to the Ashli Hepler Memorial Fund c/o Lake City Bank.

The Walley-Mills-Zimmerman Funeral Home, Elkhart, is in charge of the arrangements.

John G. Leininger  Date of Death 6/20/2007

John G. Leininger, 90, of Brownsburg was born in July 1916 and died June 20, 2007 in Avon.

John was a senior legal advisor for Workmen’s Compensation Law for Kemper Insurance for 30
years, retiring in 1981. He graduated from Leiters Ford High School in 1932. He was also a
graduate of the University of Chicago and John Marshall Law School. He served his country in
Saipan during WWII in the Army. He was a former board member of Hendricks Company Senior
Services, a member of Saint Malachy Church, Speedway V.F.W., the Illinois Bar Association,
past president of Illinois Workmen's Compensation Lawyer Association, and past treasurer of
Kiwanis International in Edgebrook, Ill.

John is survived by his daughter and son-in-law, Barbara and Alan Goddard of Avon. He was
preceded in death by his wife, Elizabeth Leininger; his sister, Eleanor Hopple; and his brothers:

Visitation will be Friday, June 22, 2007 from 4 to 7 p.m. at Matthews Mortuary, Brownsburg, and
Saturday, June 23, 2007 from 1 to 2 p.m. at Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St.,
Plymouth. Graveside services will be Saturday, June 23, 2007 at 2:30 p.m. at Leiters Ford
Cemetery, Leiters Ford.

Family and friends may sign the guest book and share memories of John with his family at
www.vangilderfuneralhome.com

Audrey L. Patterson  Date of Death 6/20/2007

LAPORTE — Audrey L. Patterson, 94, of LaPorte, died at 2:15 p.m. on Wednesday, June 20 at
LaPorte Hospital.
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She is survived by a sister, Iris Zink of LaPorte; niece, Beverly Kelver of LaPorte; nephew, Gene Zink of New Mexico; two great nieces and three great nephews.

Visitation is Saturday, June 23 from 9:30 to 11 a.m. at Essling Funeral Home, LaPorte.

Funeral services are Saturday, June 23 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Kenneth H. Johnson  Date of Death 6/21/2007

WALKERTON — Kenneth H. Johnson, 91, died on Thursday, June 21 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

He is survived by a daughter, Karen (Sam) Huitt of Calamus, Iowa; son, Randy (Karen) Johnson of Walkerton; sisters: Marceline Breese and Vendla Kleca, both of LaPorte; brother, Owen Johnson of Florida; six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Sunday, June 24 from 3 to 8 p.m. at the Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel, and Monday, June 25 at the church after 9 a.m. CDT.

Funeral services are Monday, June 25 at 10 a.m. CDT at the Presbyterian Church of Walkerton.

Burial will be at the Union Mills Cemetery with military graveside services being conducted.

Memorials may be made to the Presbyterian Church, 512 Georgia St., Walkerton, IN 46574.

Brandon "Buzz" Ryan Dicus  Date of Death 6/23/2007

PLYMOUTH — Brandon "Buzz" Ryan Dicus, 15, of Plymouth, passed away on Saturday morning, June 23, 2007 from injuries sustained in an accident. Brandon was born on April 27, 1992 in Mishawaka and has been a lifelong area resident. Brandon enjoyed playing outdoors and riding his bicycle. He attended Triton Middle School.

Brandon is survived by his father, Mark (Shannon Manwarren) Dicus of Plymouth; his mother, Denise Dicus of Florida; his sister, Brittany Dicus at home; maternal grandmother, Dolores Cooper of Mobile, Ala.; and paternal grandparents, Duane (Donna) Dicus of LaPaz.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. on Thursday, June 28, 2007 at the Palmer Funeral Home 314 S. Michigan St. Lakeville. Rev. Vito Rulli, pastor of Lakeside Baptist Church in Lakeville, will officiate. Graveside services and burial will follow at Fair Cemetery, North Liberty. Friends may visit with the family from 4 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, June 27 at the Palmer Funeral Home, Lakeville.

Contributions in memory of Brandon "Buzz" Dicus may be donated to Riley Children's Hospital, 50 S. Meridian St., Suite 500, Indianapolis, IN 46204.

Devon "Frailey" Pittman  Date of Death 6/23/2007

BREMEN — Devon "Frailey" Pittman, 76, of Bremen died at the Center for Hospice in South Bend on Saturday, June 23, 2007 at 7:50 a.m.

He is survived by a son, Jack Pittman of Bremen; four grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; sisters: Shirley (Herb) Haas of LaPaz and Donna Williamson of Sebring, Fla.; and son-in-law, Fred Eby.

Visitation is Friday, June 29 from 3 to 6 p.m. at the Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen.
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Funeral services will be Friday, June 29 at 6 p.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at the Bremen Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Hospice House of South Bend, 111 Sunnybrook Court, South Bend, IN 46637 or American Cancer Society, 601 E. Edison, Mishawaka, IN 46545.

Robert K. Muncie  Date of Death 6/24/2007

INDIANAPOLIS — Robert K. Muncie, 46, died on Sunday, June 24 in Indianapolis.

He is survived by a son, Justin of Indianapolis; father, Hal Muncie and stepmother Patricia of Springfield, Mo.; and sister, Kris (Jon) Pardue of Washington.

Visitation is Thursday, June 28 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Nusbaum Funeral Home - Walkerton Chapel.

Funeral services are Friday, June 29 at 11 a.m. in the Blissville Church of the Brethren in Polk Township.

Burial will follow in the Woodlawn Cemetery, Walkerton.

Donald Owen Good  Date of Death 6/26/2007

MONTEREY — Donald Owen Good, 88, of Monterey, died at 7:59 p.m. on Tuesday, June 26 at Pulaski Memorial Hospital, Winamac.

He is survived by his wife, Mary M. Good, at home; daughters: Dixie Good of Rochester and Debbie (Patrick) Machamer of Winamac; sons: Don (Margaret) Good of Monterey and Dean (Gwen) Good of Monterey; 10 grandchildren; and sisters-in-law, Onda Good of North Manchester and Pauline Good of Monterey.

Visitation is Sunday, July 1 from noon to 2 p.m. at the Monterey United Methodist Church.

Funeral services are Sunday, July 1 at 2 p.m. at the church.

Burial will be at the Riverside Cemetery, Monterey. Military graveside rites will be conducted by the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Memorials may be made to the Monterey United Methodist Church, The Nature Conservancy of Winamac or to the Don O. and Mary M. Good Scholarship Fund. Memorials are accepted at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, IN 46975 or at the church.

Marjorie Lucille Holm  Date of Death 6/26/2007

Note: The date of death does not appear in this listing.

BOURBON — Marjorie Lucille Holm of Bourbon died at the Indiana University Medical Center, Indianapolis.

She is survived by a son, Kenton Boyd Holm of Arizona; daughter, Karen Holm of Bourbon; brother, A.C. (Millie) Snyder of Florida; brother-in-law, Hugo (Mary) Holm of Bremen and sister-in-law, Sigrund (Jim) Gardner of Baltimore, Md.

Visitation is Thursday, June 28 from 3 to 5 and 6 to 9 p.m. at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos, and from noon until the time of the service Friday at the church.
Funeral services are Friday, June 29 at 2:30 p.m. at the Bourbon First United Methodist Church, Bourbon.

Burial will be at Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos.

Rebecca R. Large Date of Death 6/26/2007

CULVER - Rebecca R. Large, 48, of Culver, died at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, June 26 at home.

She is survived by her husband, John Large Jr. of Culver; stepson, Derrick J. Brewer; daughters: Lauren L. Large and Alicia M. Large, both of Culver; and mother, Marjory Thomas of Culver.

Visitation is Friday, June 29 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Poplar Grove United Methodist Church.

Funeral services are Friday, June 29 at 1 p.m. at the church. Burial will be at the Poplar Grove Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Cancer Treatment Center of America, Midwestern Regional Medical Center, Zion, Ill. Or the Center for Hospice & Palliative Care.

The Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, is in charge of arrangements.

Esther Olive Lickness Berdahl Date of Death 6/27/2007

Note: The date of death does not appear in this listing.

Esther Olive Lickness Berdahl, 101, of Sioux Falls, South Dakota passed away peacefully at her home at Waterford at All Saints surrounded by family and friends.

Grateful for having shared her life are her three children, Mary Ellen Lantis of Spearfish, South Dakota; Elaine (Thane) Johnson of Des Moines, Iowa; and Richard (Judy) Berdahl of Plymouth, Indiana; grandchildren, Cammy Lantis of Spearfish, Wendy (Paul) Soulek of Spearfish, Leah (Greg) Rinard of Longmont, Colorado, Travis (Amy) Lantis of Spearfish; Kurt (Jessica) Johnson of Sioux Falls, South Dakota; Christopher Berdahl of Plymouth, Indiana; Timothy (Danielle) Berdahl of Iowa City, Iowa; and great grandchildren - Nicholas, Zachary and Alexa Rinard; Kassidy, Lucas and Kali the Renee Lantis; and Logan and Abigail Johnson.

Miller Funeral Home in Sioux Falls, SD, has been entrusted with the final arrangements.

Brenda L. Birchmeier Date of Death 6/27/2007

PLYMOUTH — Surrounded by her loving family and with the support of the Marshall County Hospice, Brenda L. Birchmeier, following an inspirational 17-year battle against cancer, died at her residence, 11100 Shady Lane Drive, Plymouth, at 7:15 p.m. on Wednesday, June 27, 2007.

Throughout her life, Brenda was a devoted wife, mother — which included being the “neighborhood Mom” and grandmother. She was 45 years old.

Brenda, a lifetime Marshall County resident, growing up in the Donaldson area, was born in Plymouth, the daughter of Tom W. and Sondra L. Kepler Christiansen, on July 22, 1961.

She graduated from Plymouth High School in 1979, and went on to become a certified cosmetologist.

On Nov. 3, 1979, in St. Michael’s Roman Catholic Church in Plymouth, Brenda and Jeffory A. Birchmeier were married. They lived in Martinsville, W. Va. For two years.

Brenda loved animals, especially her two Rottweilers and was an ardent supporter of the
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Marshall County Humane Society.

She had enjoyed playing golf and bowling and participated in both leagues. She loved watching her sons’ activities, reading, exercising and walking.

Brenda is survived by Jeff, her loving spouse of 27 years, and their three sons, all of Plymouth: Brandon A. and Latisha Birchmeier; Derek C. Birchmeier and Evan J. "Boo" Birchmeier.

Three grandsons also survive. They are: Gage Allen, Dylan and Cameron.

Brenda’s parents of Plymouth, survive as well, together with a brother, Matthew Christiansen, Plymouth; a sister, Vicki (Mark) Staples of Mishawaka and several nieces and nephews. Her mother-in-law, Pattie Birchmeier of Plymouth, also survives.

Friends are invited to celebrate Brenda’s courageous life with her family at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, on Sunday, July 1, 2007, from 3 to 6 p.m. and after 7 a.m. on Monday, July 2.

A Rosary will be prayed at 6 p.m. on Sunday evening in the funeral home.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held for Brenda at 11 a.m. on Monday, July 2, 2007, in St. Michael’s Roman Catholic Church, 615 N. Center St., Plymouth. The Rev. Father William Kummer will officiate.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Brenda’s memory may be made to the Marshall County Humane Society or to the Marshall County Hospice and Palliative Care.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family via: www.johnson-danielson.com

Maria Carmen Arroyo Rodriguez  Date of Death 6/27/2007

PLYMOUTH - Maria Carmen Arroyo Rodriguez, 52, of Plymouth, died at 4:55 a.m. on Wednesday, June 27 at home.

She is survived by sons: Julio (Christina) Jimenez, Javier (Veronica) Jimenez, Manuel (Rebecca) Jimenez and Maurico Jimenez, all of Plymouth; four grandchildren; brothers: Refugo and Jesus Arroyo, both of Mexico; and sisters: Raquel of Akron and Rosalina Chavez of Mexico.

Visitation is Friday, June 29 from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at St. Michael Catholic Church, Plymouth.

A Mass of Christian Burial will begin after the visitation at 11:30 a.m.

Burial will follow in the St. Michael Catholic Cemetery.

The Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, is in charge of arrangements.

David Lee Simonin  Date of Death 6/28/2007

ROCHESTER — David Lee Simonin, 58, of Rochester, died at 2:30 a.m. on Thursday, June 28 at home.

He is survived by his wife, Pamela; sons: Danny (Patty) See of Stanton, Ky., Chad Simonin of Noblesville and Dustin Simonin of Fayetteville, Ark.; seven grandchildren; and sisters: Ellen Kitterman of Thonotosassa, Fla., Delores Corl and husband of Grand Junction, Mich., Merlene (Ed) Winclechter of Streamland, Ill., Arlene (Loy) Sriver of Rochester and Carolyn (James) Prunty of Kokomo.
Funeral services are Monday, July 2 at 11 a.m. in the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation is one hour prior to the service.

Burial will be at Citizens Cemetery, Rochester. Military rites will be conducted by the LeRoy Shelton American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Leo E. Zillmer  Date of Death 6/28/2007

BREMEN — Leo E. Zillmer, 90, of Bremen, died on Thursday, June 28, 2007 at 12:30 a.m. at Lu Ann Nursing Home in Nappanee.

Survivors include one brother, Clifford D. (Betty) Zillmer of Bremen; six nieces and two nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers: Arthur and Victor and two nephews.

Services will be held on Monday, July 2, 2007, at 10:30 a.m. at Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen. Burial will take place at the Bremen Cemetery. Friends may call from 2 to 5 p.m. on Sunday, July 1, 2007, at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to Salem United Methodist Church or American Heart Association.

Robert O. Baum  Date of Death 6/29/2007

PLYMOUTH — Robert O. Baum, 86, of 600 Windmill Drive, Plymouth, Indiana, passed away Friday, June 29, 2007 at 5:20 p.m. at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Bob was born on June 29, 1921 in Marshall County, to Carl O. and Iva (Bollman) Baum. Bob and Lois Guyse were married on Sept. 4, 1950 in Donaldson, in the E.U.B. Church parsonage.

Bob worked on the family farm and then for the Marshall County Highway Department. He worked in the maintenance and parts department for the trucks. He retired 23 years ago. Bob enjoyed watching birds from his home where he had four bird feeders.

His greatest joy was family and being together with his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. He loved teasing all of his grandchildren. They all knew he was “the family historian” and if they needed to know anything they would call Grandpa for the answer.

Bob is survived by his wife of 56 years, Lois Baum of Plymouth; their daughters, Pat Roush of Plymouth, Jody and Richard Rush of Louisville, Kentucky, Paulette and Gary Ford of Warsaw, and Joy and Randy Bradley of Plymouth; nine grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held on Tuesday at 11 a.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home in Plymouth, with the Rev. Denise Anderson officiating. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Friends and family may visit with the Baum Family and share memories of Bob, on Monday, July 2, from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth.

The family requests that memorial contributions be given to Marshall County Cancer Association or to the choice of the donor.

Friends may sign the guest book and share memories with the Baum family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com.

Alice Biddle  Date of Death 6/29/2007
KNOX — Alice Biddle, 72, of Knox, died Friday, June 29.

She is survived by sons: Christopher (Peggy) Biddle of Knox and Scott (Cheryl) Biddle of Monterey; sisters: Pat (Jack) Umphres of California, Betty Fletcher of Winamac, Cindy (Doug) Vessely of North Judson and Susan (Harold Bailey) Biddle of North Judson; brothers, Jerry (Sondra Gillard) Biddle of Rochester, sisters-in-law: Wanda Biddle of North Judson, Alice Biddle of California, Helen Biddle of California; four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

There will be no visitation or services.

Memorials may be made to Riley Hospital for Children, St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital or the Shriners Hospital.

Braman & Son Memorial Chapel, Knox, is in charge of the arrangements.

**Dorothy Jean Zehner  Date of Death 6/30/2007**

ORLANDO, Fla. — Dorothy Jean Zehner, 74, of Orlando, Fla., formerly of Plymouth, died June 30 in Orlando.

She is survived by daughters: Laura L. Miller of Minneapolis, Minn., Karen A. (Robert) Green of Orlando, Fla. And Joy A. (Roy) Taylor of Tifton, Ga.; son, Mark A. (Kathy) Zehner of Jackson, Mich.; and sister, Martha (Bill) Boughton.

Visitation is Saturday, July 7 from 1 to 2 p.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth

Funeral services are Saturday at 2 p.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorials may be made to the Susan G. Komen for the Cure Breast Cancer Foundation.

**Catherine Mary Cardiff "Kay" Flynn  Date of Death 7/1/2007**

PLYMOUTH — Catherine Mary Cardiff "Kay" Flynn, beloved wife, mother, grandmother, aunt, sister, and friend, died July 1, 2007, at the age of 78 of natural causes.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Patrick Joseph Flynn Sr., who passed away in 2006; two infant sons; her parents, Anthony and Ellen Cardiff; her older brother, William; and her younger sister, Theresa Conway Felski. She is survived by her youngest sister, Mary Ellen Cardiff McNicholas, six children, 18 grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

Kay was born to Anthony and Ellen Cardiff on Dec. 28, 1928, in Chicago, Ill. She attended Providence High School and DePaul University before beginning a brief career at WGN in the Wrigley Building. Her beauty and sophisticated sense of style were cultivated during her vibrant youth in Chicago, where she participated in several pageants and was named the DePaul University Charity Ball Queen in 1946.

In 1950, a friend, Bob Smith, introduced her to her future husband, Pat Flynn. Pat, enamored of her gorgeous red hair, feisty personality, and mischievous sense of humor, asked her to become his wife after a short courtship.

They married on Oct. 27, 1951, at St. Genevieve’s in Chicago. During their 55-year marriage they welcomed six healthy children into their family: Kathleen, Michael, Patrick Jr., Daniel, Thomas and Mary. The six children and their loving spouses, Christopher Fox, Barbara Brems, Laura Brems, Sarah Klein, Kelsey Chipman, and Joseph Boener, gave Kay and Pat 18 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren: Chuck, Melissa, Caitlin, and Chelsea Fox; Erin, Michael, and Kara Flynn; Lauren, Megan, Catherine, and PJ Flynn III; Sean, Connor, Matthew,
and Mary Kate Flynn; Katie, Thomas, and Daniel Flynn; and Kathy and Ellen Boener.

Kay's passionate love for her husband and family took her from Chicago to Texas to North Carolina to Michigan during her first nine years of marriage. The Flynns finally settled in Plymouth, where Kay managed the house — and attempted to manage her lively brood — while Pat traveled for work.

In 1969, Kay and Pat, both entrepreneurs at heart, partnered to create Flynn Industries, later Carlynn Enterprises, and its major holding, Shamrock Homes. Their goal was to create elegant, custom-made, and affordable manufactured housing. Today, the business thrives under the leadership of their four sons.

As her children grew, Kay nurtured her innate creativity and, with the guidance of the Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ at Ancilla College, became a prolific artist. She mastered a number of media including oils, watercolor, enamel, silk, candles, and calligraphy. She fashioned hundreds of treasures, joined the Heartland Artists Society, and opened a gift shop named Seventh Heaven. Ever the fair businesswoman, she'd sell her works to relatives at “the family discount” and conduct Christmas gift-giving by lottery.

A trusted girlfriend, Kay often hosted her bridge club at her home and was a member of Tri Kappa Sorority and the Red Hatters in Plymouth. She led by example; her family’s faith and sense of ministry resulted from Kay’s volunteer work, her membership in the Altar Rosary Society, and her service as a Eucharistic Minister. In 1993, the Flynns' long-standing tradition of generosity was realized in the formation of the Flynn Family Foundation. The Foundation supports men, women, children, and families in crisis.

Kay, nicknamed “Craze” by her children and “Grammy” by her grandchildren, adored exotic travel, smart films, and a good read, but loved family above all else. She called each of her children and grandchildren her “favorite” and declared “I love you” with every good-bye.

She believed in straight posture, big smiles, and can-do attitudes. Her integrity, faith, and forthright sense of independence live on in her children and grandchildren, who will miss her deeply and celebrate her always.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to St. Michael’s Parish and School, 612 N. Walnut St., Plymouth, Ind. 46563 or to the Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ, P.O. Box 1, Donaldson, IN 46513.

A Mass of Resurrection will be held at 11 a.m. EDT Saturday, July 7, in St. Michael Roman Catholic Church, 615 N. Center St., Plymouth, where Kay was a longtime parishioner. Visitation will precede the Mass from 9 to 10:30 a.m. in the church.

Interment will be at St. Michael’s Cemetery, Plymouth.

Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home is assisting with arrangements. Notes of condolence and the sharing of memories may be sent via: www.johnson-danielson.com.

Wayne Richard Haberland  Date of Death 7/1/2007

HUNTINGTON — Wayne Richard Haberland, 83, 120 Orchard Lane, Huntington, died at 2:10 a.m. Sunday, July 1, 2007 at the Select Specialty Hospital in Ft. Wayne.

Mr. Haberland retired from Rexnord in Dalton, Ill. as a sales representative, prior to that he was Vice President of Locke Steel and Chain Company in Huntington where he worked for more than 21 years until it closed in 1978. He was the first employee from Huntington to be hired at the Locke Steel and Chain. Wayne also worked at the former Caswell Runyon Cabinet Company for 14 years as the Assistant Personnel Director. He was a member of the Trinity United Methodist Church, former member of the Elks Lodge, and former Exchange Club. He graduated from
Wayne was born on June 16, 1924 in Lancaster Township in Huntington County the son of Charles and Bertha Nie Haberland. He married Janet E. Hildebrand on June 2, 1946 in the Mt. Etna Methodist Church, Mt. Etna, IN.

Survivors include his wife of 61 years, Janet E. (Hildebrand) Haberland of Huntington; three sons: Douglas (Nancy) Haberland of Plymouth, Brent Haberland of Huntington, Kevin (Judi) Haberland of Huntington; one daughter, Lynn Haberland of Delaware, Ohio; one sister, Maxine Wilhelm of Huntington; four step grandchildren; six step great-grandchildren and one step great-great granddaughter.

Visitation will be 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, July 3, 2007 at the Bailey-Love Mortuary with one hour calling from 9 a.m. till funeral services 10 a.m. Wednesday, July 4, 2007 at the Trinity United Methodist Church, 530 Guilford St., Huntington, with Rev. David Ballanger officiating. Burial will be in the Gardens of Memory, Huntington County.

Memorials may be made Trinity United Methodist Church Cottage Fund or to the United Way of Huntington County in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive Huntington, IN.

Online condolences to the family may be sent to: www.baileylove.com

Bailey-Love Mortuary is in charge of local arrangements.

Nathan George Bunch  Date of Death 7/2/2007

WINAMAC — Nathan George Bunch, 92, a resident of Hickory Creek Nursing Home, Winamac, and formerly of the Argos area, died Monday, July 2 at 4:50 a.m. in Hickory Creek Nursing Home

He is survived by his two nieces and two nephews.

Graveside services will be held on Friday, July 6 at 11 a.m. in Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos.

Burial will follow in the Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos.

Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, Bourbon, is in charge of local arrangements.

Barbara Alice Sheehan  Date of Death 7/3/2007

PLYMOUTH — Barbara Alice Sheehan, 79, of Plymouth, died Tuesday, July 3 at Memorial Hospital of South Bend.

She is survived by a daughter, Jennifer Ann Sheehan of South Bend; sons: Joel P. Sheehan of Andrews, Timothy J. Sheehan of Plymouth and Michael D. Sheehan of Indianapolis; sister, Rebecca Schrock of Indianapolis; and brother, John Baldwin of Kingsford Heights.

There will be no visitation. Family services will be held.

Burial will be at New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, is in charge of the arrangements.

Howard D. Shell  Date of Death 7/3/2007

PLYMOUTH — Howard D. Shell, 67, of 8942 E. 6B Road, died in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth, at 6:50 a.m. on Tuesday, July 3, 2007.

A lifetime resident, Howard was born in Plymouth, on July 2, 1940, the son of Howard I. and
Thelma M. Kiefer Shell.

He attended LaPaz High School and served in the Indiana National Guard from 1963 to 1969.

On Aug. 11, 1962, at Holy Family Catholic Church in South Bend, Howard and Patricia Golubski were married.

Howard worked for INDOT, the Indiana Department of Transportation, Plymouth Subdistrict, retiring in April, 2006. He was Unit Foreman for 10 years.

He loved life to the fullest and enjoyed farming and spoiling his children and grandchildren as much as he could.

Howard is survived by Pat, his wife of almost 45 years and by their son, Greg Shell and their daughter, Cheryl Tomkiewicz all of Plymouth.

Two grandchildren, Casey and Jordan Tomkiewicz, survive as well, together with a brother, Jim (Carol) Shell, Bremen, and a sister, Joan (Larry) Yazel, South Bend.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Martha Sheftic.

Friends are invited to share memories of Howard with his family on Thursday, July 5, 2007, from 3 to 8 p.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth. Visitation will continue after 7 a.m. on Friday, July 6.

Funeral services for Howard, officiated by Pastor Neil Wonnacott, will be at 2 p.m. on Friday, July 6, in the funeral home.

Burial will be in Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial Gifts in Howard’s name may be made to the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, Plymouth or Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth, Campus.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family through the funeral home’s website: www.johnson-danielson.com.

Mariann E. Derucki  Date of Death 7/4/2007

Mariann E. Derucki, 76, of Bremen/East Side of Chicago, passed away Wednesday, July 4, 2007. She is survived by daughter, Julie Ann (David) Kotowski of Dyer; three sons: Michael Derucki of Bremen, Frank Derucki of Tinley Park, Ill. and John (Tammy) Derucki of Griffith; two grandchildren: Katie Kotowski and Dylan Derucki; many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Funeral service will be held on Saturday, July 7, 2007 at 9:30 a.m. The body will lie in state at St. Maria Goretti Church, 500 Northgate Dr. in Dyer with a 10 a.m. Mass. Rev. Charles W. Niblick will officiate. Burial will be in St. John Cemetery. Friends may visit with the family on Friday, July 6, 2007 from 2 to 8 p.m. at the Solan Pruzin Funeral Home, 14 Kennedy Ave., Schererville, IN 219-322-7766. Mariann loved to knit and play bingo.


BOURBON — Rosalee Ellen (Weissert) Racolta, 75, a resident of 608 N. Main St. Bourbon, went to be with the Lord, on Wednesday, July 4, 2007 at 4:10 p.m. in Memorial Hospital of South Bend.

Rosalee was born the daughter of Louis Wendell Weissert and Edith Lucille Hartman Weissert on June 5, 1932 at home in Bourbon Township. She had been a resident of the Bourbon area all her life.
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She was joined in marriage on June 28, 1975 to Jack James Racolta, who survives, along with her children: Debbie and Steve Calhoun of Plymouth, David and Mary Swihart of Goshen; her stepchildren: Robin Racolta, Jackie and Lane Miner, Jan Racolta all of Bourbon and Joe Racolta of Syracuse. She was also blessed with seven grandchildren: Brandon Calhoun, Allison Calhoun, Robert Swihart, Elizabeth Stack, Jeremy Weissert, Jennifer Weissert, Brittney Frenger; two great-grandchildren: William and Austin Weissert. She also has a sister Ruth and Bill Kennedy of South Bend.

Rosalee was a graduate of Tippecanoe High School. She was a homemaker and had worked as a secretary. She was a faithful member of the Bourbon First United Methodist Church where she sang in the chancel choir where she could share her love for music.

Funeral services to celebrate Rosalee’s life will be held on Saturday, July 7 at 11 a.m. in the Bourbon First United Methodist Church, 204 N. Washington St. with Rev. Mark A. Day officiating.

There will be a time of visiting and sharing memories with the family on Friday, from 5 to 8 p.m. at Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home 115 S. Main St., Bourbon, IN 46504. Also for one hour before services in the church on Saturday.

Burial will follow in the Pleasant Hill Cemetery at Bourbon.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Bourbon Emergency Medical Services in her memory.

Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home is in charge of local arrangements.

Donald Leroy Shirk  Date of Death 7/5/2007

SEBRING, Fla. — Donald Leroy Shirk, 66, of Sebring, Fla., passed away July 5, 2007 in Sebring. Born in St. Joseph County Feb. 18, 1941, he retired from the State of Indiana in 1989. After graduating from Tyner High School in Tyner, he joined the Air Force and served four years before going to work for the State. During his service in the Air Force as Hospital Corpsman 1 and Chief NAVPERS, he also served as academic instructor. He received the 1st Bronze Oak Leaf Good Conduct Medal; the National Defense Service Medal and the Air Force Longevity Service Award Ribbon. His more than two decades working for the State of Indiana included safety training for state employees subject to Occupational Safety and Health Administration standards. He relocated from Plymouth to Sebring in 1994.

He is survived by a daughter, Lara Bachtel and a son, David Shirk, both living in Indiana; a brother, David Shirk, living in Lake Wales, Fla.; his former wife, Karen Shirk, also living in Indiana; and grandsons: Aaron and Austin Bachtel.

Donald Shirk will be buried at South Bend. Arrangements are being handled by Stephenson-Nelson Funeral Home, Sebring, Fla. 33870, 863-385-0125.

Cara A. Pranger  Date of Death 7/6/2007

PLYMOUTH — Cari A. Pranger, newborn, of Plymouth, died at 7:39 a.m. Friday, July 6, 2007, at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Cari is survived by her mother, Renee D.Pranger; her brother, Chad Bunger at home; and her grandparents, Robert and Doris Pranger of Plymouth.

The Van Gilder Funeral Home, Plymouth, handled the graveside service. Burial was in New Oak Hill Cemetery.
BOURBON — Verna K. Biller, 65 of Punta Gorda, Fla., passed away suddenly while visiting friends and family in Indiana.

Verna was born in Plymouth, and is the daughter of the late Lloyd and Elsie (Merrill) Pittman. She grew up in Lakeville, and married William L. Biller on May 20, 1960. They moved to Michigan in 1967 and then lived in New Jersey and North Carolina, and Punta Gorda, Fla. Was her present home.

She was a homemaker. She loved her husband of 47 years and before her husband retired, they traveled to many places together: Germany, France, Switzerland, Austria, Australia, Hawaii and many more.

She loved her children and treated her daughter-in-law and son-in-law as if they were her own. Her grandchildren were her pride and joy and loved spoiling them and keeping up to date with the happenings in their lives. She supported their dreams and aspirations. She loved to shop and to spend time talking on the phone with friends and family. She had many friends whom she treated as family and she loved her special family friends, Beverly and Andy Hoffer of Warsaw and Betty and Dick Baney of Bourbon.

Surviving are her husband, William L. Biller of Punta Gorda, son, Stephen Lyle and his wife Cindy (Dowdy) Biller and their two children, Zachary William and Kristen Geneva all of Eagle Lake, Fla, daughter Cheryl Lynn (Biller) Wells and husband John Mark Wells of Haines City, Fla., one brother, Wayne Myers and his wife Pam from Plymouth Indiana, Step Brother Larry Myers and his wife Loa, Lakeville.

Verna had seven nieces, one nephew and several grand nieces and a grand nephew, two step-nieces and one step-nephew.

She is preceded in death by her step-father Glen T. Myers, brothers Lyle Pittman, Gary Pittman and one step-sister, Dixie Myers.

There will be no service. Verna was cremated and her wish was to not have a funeral. A celebration of her life will be held in Punta Gorda at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Make-a-Wish Foundation at www.wish.org (1-866-880-1382) or the American Cancer society, www.cancer.org (1-800-ACS-2345).

ETNA GREEN — Richard L. Hoffman, age 68, a resident of 115 W. State St., Etna Green, passed away on Saturday, July 7, at 6:25 p.m. unexpectedly in his home of natural causes.

Richard was born the son of John Hoffman and Ella Koenig Hoffman on April 30, 1939 in Fulton County. He had been a resident of Etna Green since 1970.

He was joined in marriage on June 26, 1959 to Sharon Hill, who survives, along with their children; Cheryl and Pastor Michael VanCleave of Rogers, Ark., Kim and Rick Reneker of Fort Wayne, Jeff Hoffman of Etna Green and Greg and Janell Hoffman of Tippecanoe. He was also blessed with five grandchildren: Tyson and Kristyn VanCleave, Eric Hoffman, and Megan and Ryan Reneker. He also has a brother, Paul and Charlene Hoffman of Akron.

Richard was a graduate of Gilead High School, class of 1957. He was an owner of Hoffman Implement Sales in Etna Green from 1970 thru 2002 when he retired. He also enjoyed his immaculate garden which he shared with friends and family many of his produce items. He and his wife attended regularly the Warsaw Wesleyan Church.
Funeral services to celebrate Richard’s life will be held on Wednesday, July 11 at 10:30 a.m. in the Warsaw Wesleyan Church, 2402 Old U.S. 30 West with Pastor Wanda Carter and Pastor Michael VanCleave officiating.

There will be a time of visiting and sharing memories with the family on Tuesday, from 4 to 8 p.m. at Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, 115 S. Main St., Bourbon, IN 46504. Also for one hour before services in the church on Wednesday.

Burial will follow in the Etna Green Cemetery at Etna Green.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Warsaw Wesleyan Church in his memory.

Orpha F. Lee  Date of Death 7/8/2007

PLYMOUTH — Orpha F. Lee, 90, a resident of 635 Oakhill Ave., Plymouth, died at 4:45 p.m. Sunday, July 8, 2007 at Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth, following a two-week illness. She was born July 16, 1916 in Plymouth to Carl E. and Eva Ann (Grover) Anderson. On April 24, 1935 in Hammond, she married Darrel K. Lee, who preceded her in death.

Orpha moved to the Argos community in 1962 from Whiting. A homemaker most of her life, she was also a cook at Miller’s Merry Manor in Culver for a number of years. She was a member of the Argos Bible Church and Child Evangelism Fellowship, both of Argos, and was an Avon lady in the Argos community.

She is survived by a son, Darrel W. (Nancy) Lee of Argos; three grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; sister, Elsie Johnson of Hammond; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; son, LeRoy E. Lee; and three sisters.

Friends may visit with the family Thursday, July 12 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, July 12 at the funeral home with Rev. Timothy Lee officiating.

Burial will be at the Maxinkuckee IOOF (Poplar Grove) Cemetery, Argos. Memorial contributions may be made to Child Evangelism Fellowship, P.O. Box 54, Argos, IN 46501. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home.

Electronic condolences may be sent to the family at memorials@earlgrossmanfuneral.com This e-mail address is being protected from spam bots, you need JavaScript enabled to view it

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

James J. Muday  Date of Death 7/9/2007

PLYMOUTH — James. J. "Jim" Muday, 63, died at his home in Plymouth on Monday, July 9, 2007 following complications from a four-year battle with cancer.

Survivors include his wife, Janet L. (Hendrickson); daughter Angeline of Chicago; son James Nicholas of Chicago; sisters Dorothy (James) Lesch of Plymouth, Mary (Carl) Smolinski of Flossmoor, Ill. And brother Tom (Jan) Muday of St. Joseph, Mich.

Visitation will be from 5 to 7 p.m. July 20 in the Van Gilder Funeral Home, Plymouth. A Memorial Mass will be celebrated Saturday, July 21 at 10 a.m. at St. Michael's Catholic Church.

Doris M. Norman  Date of Death 7/9/2007
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KNOX — Doris M. Norman, 80, passed away Monday, July 9, 2007 in Porter Hospital, Valparaiso Campus of an illness. Doris was born Aug. 13, 1926 in Winamac to George and Ruth (Armstrong) Bender and lived in the area all of her life.

She was a former employee of Walgreens Pharmacy, Knox, a member of the Davis Wesleyan Church of Hamlet for more than 50 years, and a member of the Starke County Historical Society and the Red Hat Society of Knox.

She loved to tend her garden and her birds and loved to travel, having just returned from Branson, Mo., last week. She was very active in her church, loved everyone and got along with everyone.

Survivors include: one daughter, Patricia (Daniel) Norwick of Plymouth; two sons: Douglas (Ann) Norman of Greeley, Colo. And Dan (Rebecca) Norman of Grovertown; 15 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by three sisters: Delores Bender, Jenette Bailey and Bernice Wilson and her parents.

Funeral services will be Friday, July 13 at 10 a.m. CDT at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel with Pastor Steven Cunnington officiating. Burial will take place in the Fletcher Cemetery, Hamlet.

Friends may call Thursday from 3 to 8 p.m. CDT and Friday after 9 a.m. until the time of services
Memorial contributions may be given to the Davis Wesleyan Church or the American Cancer Society.

Elias Fred Norton  Date of Death 7/9/2007

PLYMOUTH — Elias Fred Norton, 89, 7599 Lincoln Highway, Plymouth, a lifetime area resident, died of natural causes in Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth, at 11:05 a.m. on Monday, July 9, 2007

Fred was born in Marshall County, on May 10, 1918, the son of Nelson and Lura Essel Reed Norton.

He was a graduate of Plymouth High School and served in the United States Army in World War II.

On Dec. 11, 1948, in Inwood, Fred and Norma F. Roth were married. Norma died, after 54 years of marriage, on Dec. 27, 2002.

Fred farmed and was a factory worker, retiring from the Young Door Company, Plymouth.

He was an avid fisherman, enjoyed talking to people and was a member of the First United Church of Christ in Plymouth.

He is survived by a son, a daughter and their families.

His son is Nelson O. “Duke” and his wife, Melody Norton of Plymouth, and their children, Brooke Enyart of Kokomo, and Micah Robertson of Plymouth.


Fred was preceded in death by his parents and his wife, Norma.

Friends are invited to celebrate Fred’s life and share memories on Thursday, July 12, 2007, from 5 to 8 p.m. and after 7 a.m. on Friday, July 13, 2007, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home,
Funeral services for Fred will be held in the funeral home at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, July 13, 2007. The Rev. Dr. Ronald Liechty will officiate.

Burial will be in Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

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

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family through the funeral home’s internet: www.johnson-danielson.com

Zane S. Triplet  Date of Death 7/9/2007

BREMEN — Zane S. Triplet, 17, residing in Bremen, died at 1:39 p.m. Monday, July 9, 2007 at Community Hospital of Bremen from injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

He is survived by his parents, Tony and Sherri Triplet; brother, Zachary S. Triplet; maternal grandparents, Dale and Marilyn Dutoi; and paternal grandparents, Charles F. and Judy Triplet Jr.

Visitation is from 2 to 8 p.m. Thursday, July 12 in the gymnasium at the LaVille Jr.-Sr. High School, Lakeville. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11 a.m. Friday at the Cathedral of St. Matthew, South Bend. Burial will follow at Lambs Settlement Cemetery.

Palmer Funeral Home, Lakeville, is assisting with funeral arrangements.

BREMEN — Zoie S. Triplet, 8, residing in Bremen, died at 1:24 p.m. Monday, July 9, 2007 near the intersection of U.S. 6 and King Roads from injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

She is survived by her parents, Tony and Sherri Triplet; brother, Zachary S. Triplet; maternal grandparents, Dale and Marilyn Dutoi; and paternal grandparents, Charles F. and Judy Triplet Jr.

Visitation is from 2 to 8 p.m. Thursday, July 12 in the gymnasium at the LaVille Jr.-Sr. High School, Lakeville. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11 a.m. Friday at the Cathedral of St. Matthew, South Bend. Burial will follow at Lambs Settlement Cemetery.

Palmer Funeral Home, Lakeville, is assisting with funeral arrangements.

Buford Morris Hoover  Date of Death 7/11/2007


Buford was a lab technician for the City of Long Beach, Calif. retiring in 1984. From 1993-2003, he divided his time between California and Indiana. Since 2003 Warsaw has been his permanent residence. He was a veteran of the Navy serving as a Pharmacy Mate in WWII.

He was Active in SPEBSQSA (Barbershop Chorus and Quartets) for 47 years in Gary, Long Beach, Calif. and Hemet, Calif. In his later years, he was part of the Senior Melloaires Group in Warsaw. He was a member of The United Methodist Church in Sun City, Calif. He was also an avid fisherman.

He is survived by his wife, Jean Hoover; son, James Terry (Macre) Hoover of Sun City, Calif.; daughter, Mary L. (Michael) Lambert of Walla Walla, Wash.; two stepdaughters: Lynn (Paul) Keresztes of St. Cloud, Fla. and Teri Cummings of Marietta, Ga.; one grandson; one...

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He is survived by his wife, Jean Hoover; son, James Terry (Macre) Hoover of Sun City, Calif.; daughter, Mary L. (Michael) Lambert of Walla Walla, Wash.; two stepdaughters: Lynn (Paul) Keresztes of St. Cloud, Fla. and Teri Cummings of Marietta, Ga.; one grandson; one granddaughter; two great-grandchildren; two step grandsons; four step granddaughters; and one step great-grandson.

He was preceded in death by his father, mother, daughter (Julie Hoover) and stepson, Mark Peterson.

Visitation is Saturday, July 14 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Titus Funeral Home, Warsaw.

Funeral services are Saturday, July 14 at 1 p.m. at the funeral home with Rev. Bob Jarboe officiating.

Burial will be in Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorials may be made to the donor’s choice.

Ruth E. Kiefer  Date of Death 7/11/2007

BREMEN — Ruth E. Kiefer, 91, of Bremen, died Wednesday, July 11 at Bremen Health Care Center.

She is survived by four sons, Wayne and Karyn Kiefer of Windover Lake, Mich., Roger and Kathy Kiefer of Bremen, Bob and Karen Kiefer of Nappanee and Steve and Amy Kiefer of Bremen; three daughters, Janet and Ray Szabo of Elkhart, Mary Ann and Kenneth Yarian of Bremen and Sue and Bill Quinn of Broadview, Ill., 19 grandchildren, 24 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

Visitation is from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, July 13 at Grace Fellowship Church, 535 S.
Birkey St., Bremen.

Services are Saturday, July 14 at 10:30 a.m. at the church.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Community Gospel Church, P.O. Box 281, Bremen, IN 46506 or Bremen Health Care Center, 316 Woodies Lane, Bremen, IN 46506.

The Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen, is assisting the family with arrangements.

**Alvin Henry Werner  Date of Death 7/11/2007**

KNOX — Alvin Henry Werner, 85, of Knox, died Wednesday, July 11.

He is survived by his wife, Eunice (Peters) Werner of Knox; his children: Sherri (Dwight) Adams of Valparaiso, Kathi Werner of Knox and Jayne (Terry) Cooper of Walkerton; sister, Shirley Pulver of Hanna; three grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Friday, July 13 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the M.C. Smith Funeral Home, Knox. Funeral services will be Saturday, July 14 at 11 a.m. at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, Knox. Burial will be private.

Memorials may be made to Starke County Community Services (Council on Aging).

**Gregory M. Albright  Date of Death 7/12/2007**

LOVELAND, Ohio — Gregory M. Albright of Loveland, Ohio.


Friends will be received at the Tufts Schildmeyer Funeral Home, 129 Riverside Drive, Loveland, OH 45140 on Tuesday from 5 to 8 p.m. where services will be held on Wednesday, July 18 at 1 p.m. Memorial contributions may be directed to Hospice of Cincinnati, the American Cancer Society or the Lance Armstrong Foundation. Www.tuftsschildmeyer.com

**Erika Tribbey  Date of Death 7/12/2007**

PLYMOUTH — Erika Tribbey, 82, 635 W. Oakhill Ave., died of natural causes in Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth, at 1:10 a.m. on July 12, 2007.

Born in Germany on Aug. 4, 1924, she was the daughter of Carl Franz and Freida Augusta Louisa Kelm Hamann.

Educated in Germany, she graduated from college there.

She worked at Ball Band in South Bend and United Foam in Bremen. Erika spent most of her life taking care of the home and raising her children.

Erika loved flowers and crafts.

She is survived by a son and daughter-in-law, Jim and Vicky Hamann, South Bend and a daughter and son-in-law, Rose and Scott Enders of Etna Green.
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She was preceded in death by her parents, a sister and a brother.

Notes of condolence and the sharing of memories may be sent to the funeral home’s Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com

H. Eleanor Erickson  Date of Death 7/14/2007

PLYMOUTH — H. Eleanor Erickson, 97, of Plymouth died at 12:30 p.m. Saturday, July 14, 2007 in the Pilgrim Manor Nursing Home.

She is survived by a daughter Kathy A. Erickson of Plymouth; three grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Memorial services and a time of sharing will begin at 11 a.m. Thursday, July 19 in the Plymouth Baptist Church, 11345 9A Rd., Plymouth.

Interment will be in the Rose Hill Cemetery, Chicago, Ill.

Memorials may be given to the Plymouth Baptist Building Fund.

Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, is in charge of arrangements.

Lester R. Flynn  Date of Death 7/15/2007

ROCHESTER — Lester R. Flynn, 82, of Rochester, died at 9:40 a.m. Sunday, July 15, at the Life Care Center of Rochester.

He is survived by one sister, Rosella Smeyers of Mishawaka.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday with the Rev. Robert Ritter officiating at Good Family Funeral Home. Friends may call one hour prior for visitation.

Burial will be at Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Larry W. Hartley  Date of Death 7/15/2007

WALKERTON — Larry W. Hartley, 55, died at Allegheny General Hospital in Pittsburgh, Pa. following a motorcycle crash, on Sunday, July 15.

He is survived by two daughters: Theressa Hartley and Heidi (Richard) Jackson, all of Terre Haute; his mother, Lola Hartley of Knox; one sister, Dorothy Snowden of Knox; two brothers: Gary (Terry) of Jacksonville, Fla. And James of Trinidad, Colo.; and three grandchildren.

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**Melinda A. Pregel  Date of Death 7/16/2007**

MISHAWAKA — Melinda A. “Mindy” Pregel, 31, a Crawfordsville, Ind. resident since 1999, formerly of Mishawaka, died of natural causes in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth, at 10:03 p.m. on Monday, July 16, 2007.

Born in South Bend on April 14, 1976, Mindy was the daughter of Dennis A. and Pat S. Getty Pregel.

She was a 1994 graduate of Mishawaka High School and a 1999 Purdue University graduate.

She worked as the Quality Assurance Manager of Harlan Bakeries in Avon, Ind.

A member of the Purdue University marching band for four years, Mindy played the Saxophone and Clarinet. She organized the Relay for Life in Crawfordsville.

She enjoyed cooking, crafts and instituting home improvements. She was an extensive traveler throughout the United States as well as abroad.

Mindy is survived by her parents, Dennis and Pat, Plymouth, and by her maternal grandmother, Betty Getty of Bettendorf, Iowa.

Two uncles and aunts-in-law, Terry and Sharon Getty of Bettendorf, Iowa; Clifford and Bettie Getty, of Blue Grass, Iowa, and four cousins, also survive.

She was preceded in death by Charles and Erma Pregel, her paternal grandparents, her maternal grandfather, George Getty and a half-brother, Tommy Schenkel.

Friends are invited to share happy memories and celebrate Mindy’s life on Thursday, July 19, from 5 to 7 p.m. and on Friday after 7 a.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Mindy will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, July 20, in the funeral home. The Rev. Michael P. Dixon, pastor of the Tyner United Methodist Church, will officiate.

Burial will be at 2 p.m. on Friday in Fairview Cemetery, Mishawaka.

Memorial gifts in Mindy’s memory may be made to the Purdue Marching Band or Relay for Life.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family through the funeral home’s internet: www.johnson-danielson.com

**Roland W. Crider  Date of Death 7/17/2007**

KNOX — Roland W. “Rollie” Crider, 86, died Tuesday, July 17 at Beverly Living Center in Knox.

He is survived by a daughter, May J. Crider of Knox; sisters: Beverly Pflugshaupt of Knox and
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Helen Jaskowiak of Mesa, Ariz.; and a brother, Harold Crider of Cedar Lake.

Visitation is Thursday, July 19 from 4 to 8 p.m. at M.C. Smith Funeral Home, Knox. Funeral services are Friday, July 20 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at Crown Hill Cemetery, Knox.

Memorials may be made to the American Parkinson Disease Association.

**Edith E. Griswold Date of Death 7/17/2007**

PLYMOUTH — Edith E. Griswold, 87, died at 9:10 p.m. on Tuesday, July 17, 2007, in Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth, following a sudden illness.

A respected and admired citizen, Edith was a lifelong resident of Plymouth.

She was born in Denver, Ind., on Dec. 19, 1919, the daughter of Paul and Fay Stuber Griswold.

She graduated from Lincoln High School with the class of 1938.

Edith started her career in 1939, as a secretary at the high school, before moving on to the Fort Wayne Community School system for 16 years. She came back to Plymouth where she worked for Susie Robertson before working for 8 1/2 years at the Marshall County Division of Family and Children.

Edith played catcher on Eaglettes Ladies softball team in 1944.

Both before and after retiring, she worked part time at Felke’s Florists.

An active member for many years in the Trinity United Methodist Church, Plymouth, and Edith had also served as a Girl Scout leader.

Edith is survived by her brother, Kenneth Griswold of Plymouth; two nephews: Richard (Judy) Griswold and Barry Griswold, both of Plymouth; a niece: Carol Griswold Housouer of Rochester; three great-nephews; one great-niece; four great-great-nephews and two great-great-nieces.

Friends are invited to celebrate Edith’s life and share memories of her from noon to 2 p.m. on Saturday, July 21, at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Edith will follow the visitation at 2 p.m. in the funeral home. The Rev. William Kaster, pastor of the Trinity United Methodist Church, will officiate.

Burial will be in the New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts may be given in Edith’s memory to the Flower Fund of the Trinity United Methodist Church or to the Red Bird Mission.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the funeral home’s internet Via: www.Johnson-danielson.com.

**David S. Henderson Date of Death 7/18/2007**

SHARPSVILLE — David S. Henderson, 73, of Sharpsville, died at 5:26 p.m. Wednesday, July 18 at Howard Regional Health System Emergency Room. He was born March 29, 1934 in Tipton to Joseph W. and Helen B. (Snyder) Henderson. On March 25, 1951 in Converse, he married R. Sue Cage.

David was passionate about working the family farm since 1969. He was a member of Sharpsville United Methodist Church, a member of the Lions Club and was a mason. He also
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was a volunteer fireman for Sharpsville for many years. David was an avid sports fan for the Pacers, Colts, I.U. and he loved racing. He was also a Little League coach for 15 years for his grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife, R. Sue Henderson of Sharpsville; daughters: Cindy (Gary) Miller of Sharpsville, Debbie (Dave) Harding of Bloomfield and Becky (Boyd) Davis of Argos; grandchildren: Carrie (Matt) Bischof, Katie (Matt) Gentry, Maggie (Adam) Mohr, Joseph Davis and fiancee Jennifer Frain, Alex Davis, Chloe Davis, Cody Miller, Emilie Miller, Cullen Miller and Mollie Miller; great-grandchildren: Sophie Mohr, Vince Bischof and Ava Bischof; brother and sister-in-law, James Richard and Darlene Henderson of Sharpsville; and many nieces and nephews also survive.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Visitation is Saturday, July 21 from 4 to 8 p.m. at Ellers Mortuary Webster St. Chapel 3400 S. Webster St., Kokomo.

Funeral services are at 1 p.m. Sunday, July 22 at Sharpsville United Methodist Church 228 W. Meridian St. with Pastor Richard Lyth officiating.

Burial will be at Sharpsville Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Sharpsville United Methodist Church. Envelopes will be provided at the mortuary and at the church.

Messages may be e-mailed to condolences@ellersmortuary.com. This e-mail address is being protected from spam bots, you need JavaScript enabled to view it


Wanetta G. Stanton  Date of Death 7/18/2007


She is survived by husband, Werdie Stanton; daughter, Terri (Howard Clement) Stanton of Cassopolis, Mich.; sons: Scott and Thomas of South Bend and David of Cassopolis, Mich.; five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Private graveside services were held at Grovertown Cemetery.

Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel, handled the arrangements.

Tara L. Gayheart  Date of Death 7/19/2007

WALKERTON — Tara L. Gayheart, 36, died Thursday, July 19, as a result of an accident north of Koontz Lake on S.R. 23.

Surviving are her husband, Roy; daughter, Trinity; mother, Rene Lauzon of Rolling Prairie; father, Larry McMahan of Walkerton; stepfather, Garry LaBere of Walkerton; sisters: Jodi McMahan of Walkerton and Kaydi McMahan of North Liberty; brothers: Keith McMahan of Grovertown and Jesse McMahan of Walkerton; grandmother, Corrine Esterlin of West Lafayette; step-grandmother, Virginia LaBere of Grovertown and three nephews.

Visitation is Monday from 4 to 8 p.m. (CDT) and Tuesday after 9 a.m. until the time of services, at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel.

Services are Tuesday at 10 a.m. (CDT) at the funeral home.
Burial will be in Grovertown Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Trinity Gayheart Fund, c/o Teachers Credit Union, Walkerton.

**Mamie R. Marsh  Date of Death 7/19/2007**

FT. WAYNE — Mamie R. Marsh, 100, died Thursday, July 19, at Lutheran Hospital in Ft. Wayne.

She is survived by sons, Stewart A. (Patricia) Marsh of Ft. Wayne and Dr. Myrle Fredrick (Marilyn) Marsh of Omaha, Neb.; two grandchildren; one great-grandchild; three step-grandchildren and three step-great-grandchildren.

Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. at the D.O. McComb & Sons Covington Knolls Funeral Home, 8325 Covington Road.

Services are at 10 a.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorials may be made to the donor’s choice.

**Leon T. Pollock  Date of Death 7/19/2007**

CULVER — Leon T. Pollock, 85, of Culver, passed away at 10:23p.m. on July 19, 2007 in the St. Joseph Regional Medical Center in Plymouth.

Leon was born on Aug 29, 1921 in Rensselaer, on of four children born to Ross and Edna (Smith) Pollock. He married his sweetheart, Vera Smith, on June 16, 1945 in Knox, while proudly serving his country in the U.S. Army during WW II. She preceded him in death on Dec 1, 2003. They have one son and two daughters.

After his discharge, Leon farmed, built the home he and Vera presently lived in and retired after 26 years as a construction supervisor with the Tonn-Blank Co of Michigan City. He loved the Lord and his church and especially adored his grand and great grandchildren.


He was preceded in death by his wife Vera, parents and three sisters: Bertha Vanscoik, Blanche Stoll and Betty Brandt.

Visitation with the family is Monday, July 23, from 3 to 8 p.m. EST at the Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver. The Rev. James Adcock will officiate funeral services on Tuesday, July 24, at 11 a.m. CST at the Bible Baptist Church of Knox. Interment will follow at the Culver Masonic Cemetery. Memorials may be given to the Bible Baptist Church Building Fund.

Condolences may be sent via the obituary page of www.bonineodom.com.

Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, is in charge of arrangements.
David J. "Jim" Zeigler  Date of Death 7/19/2007

PLYMOUTH — David J. (Jim) Zeigler, 58, of 17224 Tomahawk Trail, Plymouth, passed away Thursday, July 19, 2007, at 6:45 a.m. at Goshen General Hospital, Goshen.

David was born on April 19, 1949, in South Bend, to Harry and Dorothy (Hoover) Zeigler. He worked as a printer for 30 years. After that, he sold printing supplies. He retired from a bookstore as a clerk. He loved to garden, collect antiques, and did a lot of woodworking. He moved to Plymouth, from Mishawaka, where he lived for many years, in December of 2006.

David is survived by his brothers: Harry Zeigler of Phoenix, Ariz. And Richard and Sue Becknell Zeigler Sr. of Plymouth; his sisters: Carolyn Ellis of Plymouth, Barbara Knepper of Plymouth, Sandra Kasier of Mishawaka, Sharon and David Snyder of Osceola and Sue and Victor Maquis of Elkhart.

A graveside memorial service will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, July 28, 2007, in Fairview Cemetery, Mishawaka, with Pastor Paul Whitworth of the Faith Baptist Church of Plymouth, officiating.

Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison St., Plymouth, IN, 46563, is in charge of the arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Center for Cancer Care, Attention: Amy Conklin, Goshen Hospital, 200 High Park Avenue, Goshen, IN, 46526.

Family and friends may sign the guest book and share memories with the Zeigler family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com.

Naomi Ruth Crow  Date of Death 7/20/2007

PLYMOUTH – Naomi Ruth Crow, 91, of 10939 Michigan Road, Plymouth, passed into eternal life at 2:25 p.m. Friday, July 20, 2007. Naomi died as she had wished in her home for the past 56 years, in the care of her family and the Marshall C. She was born the fifth of nine children to Nathan and Cleo Elizabeth (Beam) Pletcher, on May 30, 1916 in Lakeville.

Naomi began her education at the Culp School near Nappanee and then attended Argos High School.

On Jan. 1, 1939 in Akron, she became the bride of Lewis S. Crow and together they enjoyed 44 years together. He would precede her in death on July 10, 1983.

She was a dedicated production employee for over 25 years with Pilgrim Farms of Plymouth until retiring on July 31, 1981.

Living a Christian life and giving testament to others, she was a longtime active member of the Plymouth Church of God having served as church pianist until the age of 89. She was also involved in the Right to Life and the Home & Hobby Extension Homemakers Club. At home she enjoyed reading and tending her flower and vegetable garden.

She was an attentive mother of two daughters, a son, 11 grandchildren and their families: daughter, Lucille R. and husband John R. Miller Sr. of Owosso, Mich. With children, John R. Miller Jr., Karen S. Miller, Paula R. Miller, Pamela K. Miller and Carol A. Miller; daughter Sandra E. Feece of Plymouth survives with children, Christopher L. Feece, Todd E. Feece and Michelle D. Feece; a son, Raymond Crow preceded Naomi in death and is survived by his wife, Barbara of Montgomery, Ill. And children, Julie A. Sullivan, Hans N. Crow and Heidi Dettloff.

Also included are eight great grandchildren and two step-great-grandchildren. Her surviving
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Brothers are Russell Pletcher and Gene (Leona) Pletcher of South Bend and Willard (Ruth) Pletcher of Argos, along with numerous nieces and nephews.

Naomi was preceded in death by her husband; a granddaughter, Sherri L. Miller; four brothers, Paul, Clarence, Charles and Ralph Pletcher and a sister, Goldie Barlow.

Family and friends are invited to celebrate Naomi's life on Monday, July 23, from 3 to 8 p.m. in Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, and continue after 7 a.m. Tuesday until time of services at 1 p.m. Tuesday in the funeral home. The Reverends Wayne Mikel and John R. Miller Sr. will officiate.

Burial will follow in the New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gift contributions may be made to the Plymouth Church of God, 11734 9A Road, Plymouth, Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, 112 S. Center St., Plymouth, IN 46563 or Right to Life.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family through the Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com

Forrest A. Cline  Date of Death 7/21/2007

CULVER — Forrest A. Cline, 89, of Culver, formerly of Argos, died at 8:19 p.m. Saturday, July 21 at Miller's Merry Manor of Culver following a two and a half year illness. He was born Nov. 5, 1917 in Bremen to Raymond & Viola (Pfeiffer) Cline. On May 16, 1942 in Syracuse, he married Gladys I. Thomas, who preceded him in death Sept. 18, 2002.

Forrest had lived in the Argos community for more than 53 years. He graduated from Atwood High School in the class of 1937. He was a farmer and worked at the Bourbon Elevator.

He is survived by three daughters: Judy (Terry) Ernsberger of Plymouth, Linda Smith of Indianapolis and Shirley Marks of Bremen; eight grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; four great-great grandchildren; one sister, Phyliss (Vere) Stiver of Bourbon and one brother, Jim (Janet) Cline of Tennessee.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife; brother, Ward Cline; and grandson, Daniel Calhoun.

Friends may visit with the family Wednesday, July 25 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos, IN 46501.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday July 25 at the funeral home with Rev. Mark Fishburn officiating.

Burial will be at Mount Pleasant Cemetery, Bourbon.

Envelopes will be available at the funeral home for: American Diabetes Association, Plymouth Office; 10872 Queen Rd., Plymouth, IN 46563

Electronic condolences may be sent to the family at: memorials@earl-grossmanfuneral.comThis e-mail address is being protected from spam bots, you need JavaScript enabled to view it

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

Ralph "Bob" Nash  Date of Death 7/21/2007

He is survived by a daughter, Andrea Groft of Bangor, Maine; son, Jonathan J. Nash; and a brother, George Nash.

Graveside services will be held Saturday, Aug. 4 at 1 p.m. at Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Bourbon.

Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, is in charge of local arrangements.

**Sarah Seeders  Date of Death 7/21/2007**

PLYMOUTH — Sarah Seeders, 80, of Plymouth, died Saturday, July 21, at Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth.

She is survived by sons: Rick and Patty Seeders of Tennessee, Jim Seeders of Maryland and Jon and Chris Seeders of Maryland; and daughter-in-law, Linda Seeders of Plymouth. She is also survived by her sister, Anna Mellot of Virginia and her brother, Vernon Kifer of Ohio.

There will be no services at this time. Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, is assisting the family with arrangements.

**Robert Lloyd Zimmer  Date of Death 7/22/2007**

BREMEN — Robert Lloyd Zimmer, 84, died Sunday, July 22 at his residence.


Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday at the Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen.

A Mass of Christian Burial will take place Saturday at 1 p.m. with services from St. Dominic Catholic Church, Bremen.

Burial will be at Bremen Cemetery.

Memorials may be sent to St. Dominic Catholic Church, 803 W. Bike St., Bremen, IN 46506; Community Hospital of Bremen, 1020 High Rd., Bremen, IN 46506 or to the Bremen VFW Post #8972, Plymouth Road, Bremen, IN 46506.

**Louise Marie, Sr. Boeing  Date of Death 7/25/2007**

DONALDSON — Sr. Louise Marie Boeing, PHJC, 98, of Donaldson, died Wednesday, July 25 at the Catherine Kasper Life Center.

Visitation was Thursday from 4:30 to 9 p.m. at the Catherine Kasper Home Chapel.

Services will be Friday at 11 a.m. at the chapel.

Burial will be at Mount Carmel Cemetery, Donaldson.

Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, is in charge of arrangements.

**Russell A. Rogers  Date of Death 7/25/2007**
ROCHESTER — Russell A. Rogers, 56, of Rochester, died at 1:38 p.m. Wednesday, July 25 at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

He is survived by his wife, Sherry Rogers; brother, Doug (Sue) Garvison of Rochester; sister, Rose (Bob) Brady of Weaver, Ala.; father-in-law, Robert Evans of Rochester; and sister-in-law, Chris (Steve) Swango of Virginia Beach, Va.

Visitation is Friday, July 27 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, and from 9 to 10 a.m. Saturday.

Funeral services are Saturday, July 28 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery where military graveside rites will be conducted.

Memorials may be made to Hope Hospice or the Fulton County Cancer Association.

C. Devon Fish  Date of Death 7/27/2007

PLYMOUTH — C. Devon Fish, 70, of Plymouth, a lifetime Marshall County resident, died, following a four-year battle with cancer, at 8:36 p.m. in Miller's Merry Manor, Plymouth, on Friday, July 27, 2007.

Devon was born in Plymouth on Aug. 5, 1936, the son of Clifford E. and Leona G. Price Fish. He graduated from Lakeville High School with the class of 1954.

On Nov. 23, 1958, in Easton, Md., Devon and Betty Hutchison were married.

A farmer, truck driver and laundromat maintenance man, Devon retired as a truck driver from Pi-Rod in 2003.

He was a devoted church and family man. He enjoyed studying the Bible and fishing with his grandchildren. He appreciated John Deere antique tractors and Studebaker cars.

Devon is survived by his wife, Betty and by their three sons: Randy and Nancy Fish of South Bend and their children, Aaron and Alex: Rick and Linda Fish, Plymouth, and their sons, Justin and Brandon: and Ryan and Nikki Fish of South Bend, and their children, Eric and Natalie.

Devon is also survived by a brother, Elson, and sister-in-law, Patsy Fish of Lakeville, and a sister Sherlyn and her husband, George Kohr of York, Pa.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Friends are invited to share memories of Devon with his family from 4 to 8 p.m. At the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, on Tuesday, July 31, and after 7 a.m. on Wednesday morning, Aug. 1, and for one hour at the church prior to the service on Wednesday.

Funeral services for Devon will be at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, Aug.1, in the Sunrise Chapel, 11802 Lincoln Highway, Plymouth, where Devon was a member. Pastor Rustin Krapfl of the Sunrise Chapel will officiate.

Interment will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Devon’s memory may be made to the World Missionary Press, Sunrise Chapel’s Mission Fund or the Center for Hospice & Palliative Care, Plymouth.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family via the funeral home’s internet: www. Johnson-danielson.com.
James Lawrence, Jr. McCarthy  Date of Death 7/27/2007

PLYMOUTH – James Lawrence McCarthy, Jr., 91, died of natural causes on Friday, July 27, 2007, in the Catherine Kasper Life Center in Donaldson.

James was born on September 8, 1915, in Crawfordsville, Ind. He was the son of James L. McCarthy, Sr., and Anna Carver McCarthy.

A veteran of World War II, James served as a major in the United States Air Force and received the Bronze Star and the Asiatic-Pacific Service medals.

He attended Wabash College in Crawfordsville and was a Public Accountant with his own business, J.L. McCarthy, Inc. for over 50 years.

James is survived by his wife, Mary Lou. They were married on March 19, 1993. Six sons and one daughter were born by a previous marriage. They are James L. McCarthy III, of Chicago, Ill.: Martin (Monica) McCarthy, Chicago, Ill.: Brian McCarthy, Chicago, Ill.: William (Maureen) McCarthy, Salem, Va.; Richard McCarthy and Charles McCarthy, both of Crawfordsville, Ind., and Ruth (Fernando) de Torres of Worchester, Mass.

Ten grandchildren survive as well, together with two brothers and one sister: Thomas (Bee) McCarthy of Indianapolis, Ind.: Fred (Shirley) McCarthy, Chino Hills, Calif., and Josephine (Hank) Mangus of Palm Desert, Calif.

James was a member of St. Michael’s Catholic Church in Plymouth.

Friends are invited to celebrate James’ life with his family on Sunday, July 29, 2007, from 6 to 7 p.m. in the Catherine Kasper Home Chapel with a Wake Service at 7 p.m.

Funeral services will be held on Monday, July 30, 2007, at 2 p.m. in the Catherine Kasper Home Chapel, Donaldson.

Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery in Crawfordsville, Ind., on Tuesday, July 31, 2007, at 11 a.m.

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

Memorial gifts in James’ memory may be made to the Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ

Notes of condolence may be sent to the family through the funeral home’s website:  www.johnson-danielson.com.

Cheryl Clark Arnett  Date of Death 7/28/2007

Lawrenceburg, KY — Cheryl Clark Arnett, 62, of Puncheon Creek, Lawrenceburg, Ky., formerly of Starke County, died Saturday, July 28, 2007 at Central Baptist Hospital.


A celebration of Cheryl’s life will be held at a later date. Johnson's Funeral Home, Georgetown, Ky. Is in charge of the arrangements.

Memorials may be made to the Markey Cancer Center, Lexington or one’s favorite charity.
Philip P. (Harry) Harris  Date of Death 7/28/2007

PLYMOUTH — Philip P. (Harry) Harris, 49, of Plymouth, died Saturday, July 28 at Pilgrim Manor Nursing Home.

He is survived by his father, William R. Harris, his brothers, William R. and Robin Harris III of Culver and Jamie Harris of California, and his sister, Teresa Parrish of Minnesota.

Visitation is Tuesday from 4 to 7 p.m. at VanGilder Funeral Home, Plymouth.

Services are Wednesday at 10 a.m. at Saint Michael Catholic Church, Plymouth, with Father Glenn Kohrman officiating.

Burial will be at New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial contributions may be made to Marshall County Cancer, P.O. Box 895, Plymouth, IN 46563 or Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, 112 S. Center St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

Friends may sign the guestbook for the Harris family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com.

Terry D. Whitaker  Date of Death 7/28/2007

WALKERTON — Terry D. Whitaker, 51, of Walkerton, died at the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, South Bend.

He is survived by two sisters, Erma Northam of Gurnee, Ill. And Carol Chapman of Walkerton.

Visitation is Monday from 4 to 8 p.m. at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel, and Tuesday after noon until the time of services.

Services are Tuesday at 1 p.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Woodlawn Cemetery, Walkerton.

Memorials may be made to the St. Joseph County Hospice, 111 Sunnybrook Ct., South Bend, IN 46637.

Esther K. Spitler  Date of Death 7/30/2007

PLYMOUTH — Esther K. Spitler, 93, of Plymouth, died at 6:56 a.m. Monday, July 30 at Miller's Merry Manor of Plymouth. She had been in failing health for two years. She was born July 23, 1914 on the family farm southwest of Plymouth to Ray and Daisy (Zehner) Spitler.

Living most of her life in the Marshall County area, she started working at the Plymouth library in 1933 and was a librarian until 1955. She moved to Indianapolis and worked for Citizen's Gas for 15 years, then became a librarian for the Indianapolis Public Library. She retired in 1976 and returned to the family farm to care for her parents until their deaths.

She graduated from Plymouth High School in the Class of 1933 and was a member of the Trinity United Methodist Church in Plymouth where she taught an adult Sunday School class for many years. She volunteered for the friends of the Plymouth Library and the Marshall County Historical Society where she also served on the board of trustees. Listening to baseball and basketball games while she worked around the house was one of the joys of her life. Several times a year she drove to Indianapolis to see friends and buy a new outfit or shoes at L.S. Ayres. Hiking around the farm, gardening and caring for her cats filled her days.

She is survived by her sister-in-law, Mary Spitler of Argos; her nieces: Beverly (Richard) Sprague
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of Anderson and Portia (Barry) Wampler of Bourbon; her nephew, Terry (Cindy) Spitler of Tippecanoe; 12 great nieces and nephews and five great-great nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her twin brother, Ronald C. Spitler (April 29, 2006).

Friends may visit with the family Thursday, Aug. 2, 2007 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Aug. 3, 2007 at the funeral home with Rev. William Kaster officiating.

Burial will be at New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial contributions may be made to Trinity United Methodist Church, 425 S. Michigan St., Plymouth, IN 46563 or Marshall County Humane Society, PO Box 22, Plymouth, IN 46563. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home.

Electronic condolences may be sent to the family at: memorials@earl-grossmanfuneral.com

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

Viola G. Berkeypile  Date of Death 7/31/2007

PLYMOUTH — Viola G. Berkeypile, 91, of Plymouth, died Tuesday, July 31, 2007, at 9:18 p.m. at Pilgrim Manor Nursing Home, Plymouth.

She is survived by her sons: John Berkeypile of Starkeville, Miss. And Ralph and Betty and Berkeypile of Plymouth; her daughters: Joyce Neil of South Bend and Susan Vanderman of South Bend; her brothers: Raymond Hunt of Indianapolis and Charles W. Hunt of Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; 13 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

There will be no visitation or funeral service. Burial will take place in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth, at a later date.

Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison St., Plymouth is handling the arrangements.

Memorials may be given to the donor’s choice.

Shelley K. Balmer  Date of Death 8/2/2007

PLYMOUTH — Shelley K. Balmer, 42, of Plymouth, died Thursday, Aug. 2, at her home.

She is survived by her husband, George Balmer of Plymouth, and their children, Allen Balmer and Sarah Balmer.

She is also survived by her mother, Doris Hooker of Plymouth, and two brothers, Dennis Hooker of Plymouth and Sean Hooker of Plymouth.

Visitation is Monday from 5 to 7p.m. at Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth.

Services are Monday at 7 p.m. at the funeral home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Rosellen Morrell  Date of Death 8/2/2007

PERU — Rosellen Morrell, 86, of Peru, died at 7:10 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 2, 2007 at home. She was born Feb. 6, 1921 in Argos to Arley and Ila (Irwin) Jones. On June 29, 1940 in Cass County, she married Gabriel C. Morrell, who survives.
She graduated with the Argos High School Class of 1939. A homemaker, she was a 75-year member of the Jordan Baptist Church, Argos, and attended Oakdale Baptist Church in Peru. She was a quilter and made more than 64 quilts. She also loved to crochet.

She is survived by her husband, Gabriel C. Morrell of Peru; son, Roger (Kimberly) Morrell of Montpelier, Ohio; grandchildren: Jeff (Lane) Morrell, Jon (Gina) Morrell and Julie (Kevin) Smith; great-grandchildren: Jasmine Morrell, Brittin Morrell, Jordan Morrell, Logan Morrell, Kyle Smith and Sarah Smith; step grandchildren: Heather Gauden and Heidie Goebel; step great-grandchildren: Mason Gauden, Sage Gauden, Levi Gauden and John Boyer; and sister, Ruth Adams of Argos.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and two brothers: Clair and Ancil Jones.

Visitation is Sunday, Aug. 5 from 2 to 5 p.m. at Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main St., Peru.

Funeral services are Monday, Aug. 6 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home with Dr. Robert Stuck and Rev. Julie Walker officiating.

Burial will be at Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos.

Memorials may be made through the funeral home to the Oakdale Baptist Church.

**Jerry Lee Wilhelm  Date of Death 8/2/2007**

INVERNESS, Fla. — Jerry Lee Wilhelm, 67, formerly of Argos, then a resident for the past nine years of 1835 E. St. James Loop, Inverness, Fla., died at 1:58 p.m. of heart complications, on Thursday, Aug. 2, 2007, in Citrus Memorial Hospital, Inverness, Fla.

Jerry was born in Plymouth, the son of Ermel D. and Bertha P. Flagg Wilhelm, on June 4, 1940. He graduated from Argos High School with the class of 1954.

He worked his apprenticeship and earned an Associate Degree in Science through General Motors, serving as a millwright for 36 years with Delco Electronics in Kokomo.

On Nov. 4, 1961, in the Argos Congregational Christian Church, Jerry and Kay A. McCollough were married.

Jerry enjoyed life and had many interests. He loved riding his Harley-Davidson and was an avid Formula One Racing fan. He collected guns and knives and enjoyed hunting and fishing.

He was of the Methodist faith and was a member of the Floral City Masonic Lodge # 133 F & AM and the Scottish Rite Valley of Ocala.

Jerry is survived by his devoted wife of 46 years, Kay, and by their three children, a son and two daughters and seven grandchildren.


A brother, Stanley A. (Mary) Wilhelm, Argos, and a sister, Barbara A. Neidlinger, Culver, survive as well, together with several nieces and nephews.

Jerry was preceded in death by his parents.

Friends will be welcomed by the family to celebrate the life of Jerry Wilhelm on Wednesday,
William R. Xaver  Date of Death 8/3/2007

PLYMOUTH — William R. "Bill" Xaver, 57, of 11444 Nutmeg Rd., Plymouth, passed away Friday, Aug. 3, 2007 in Fort Dodge, Iowa following a motorcycle accident.

Bill was born on Nov. 17, 1949 in Plymouth to William Francis and Irene (Pickavet) Xaver.

Bill married the former Judi Jones on Nov. 22, 1974. He was a member of Saint Michael Catholic Church and was a member of the Knights of Columbus, holding several offices for the Knights. He also helped in the construction of the new hall, when it was being built. Bill enjoyed his family, grandchildren, watching the Bears and Cubs, and loved to ride his motorcycle. He worked for Transit-Mix, in LaPorte, starting in March of 1985, as a driver. When he could, he would ride “his bike” to work.

Bill is survived by his wife of 32 years, Judi; his son, Josh and Kristi Xaver of Plymouth and their sons, Zephen, Zackery, and Hunter Xaver of Plymouth; his daughter, Jessica and Harold Samuels Jr. of Bremen and their sons, Harold, III, and Richard Samuels of Bremen; his mother, Irene Xaver of Plymouth; his sisters Janice Xaver of Washington, D.C., Eloise and Frank Geiselhofer of Burbank, Illinois, Lynda Xaver of Athens, Alabama, Luann and Michael Falkowski of Plymouth, and Jeanine and Mark Mersch of Plymouth; his brothers; Gerard and Sharon Xaver of South Bend, Indiana, and Joseph Xaver of Springfeild, Illinois; and his mother-in-law, Roma Jones of Plymouth. He was preceded in death by his father; William Francis Xaver; his brother, Paul Xaver; and his father-in-law Charles Jones.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held Friday, Aug. 10, 2007 at 10:30 a.m. EDT at Saint Michael Catholic Church in Plymouth, with the Rev. Father William Kummer officiating. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

A time of visiting with the family will be on Thursday, Aug. 9, 2007, from 4 to 8 p.m. EDT at the VAN GILDER FUNERAL HOME, 300 West Madison St., Plymouth, IN 46563. The Rosary will be prayed at 8 p.m. on Thursday at the funeral home.

Memorials may be given to Saint Michael’s Catholic Church or to the Gibault School for Boys and Girls.

Friends may sign the guest book and share memories with the Xaver family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com

Ray D. Toothman  Date of Death 8/5/2007

Mr. Ray D. Toothman, 40, of Lake Los Angeles, Calif., formerly of Fish Lake, died Sunday, Aug. 5, 2007 in Los Angeles County, Calif.

He was born Sept. 21, 1966, in South Bend to Roy and Valarie (Dyer) Toothman.
Mr. Toothman was a 1985 graduate of La Porte High School. He moved to California four years ago, but lived in Culver area most of his life. Ray worked as a mechanic for many years and most recently in construction. He was an outdoorsman and loved to hunt. He loved his dog, Bart, who traveled with him always.

Surviving are one son, JR Byer; one brother John (Diane) Cudney of La Porte; one sister, Sheryl Cudney of Arizona, and one aunt Aulgie Cudney of Fish Lake.

Preceding him in death were his parents.

A graveside service will be conducted at 2 p.m. central time, Sunday, Oct. 7, 2007 at Fair Cemetery on Oak Road, North Liberty with Rev. Ronald Devenport officiating. A celebration dinner will be held at the Mill Creek Baptist Church, Mill Creek, immediately following services. Lakeview Funeral Home and Crematory, La Porte is in charge of the arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to the family c/o Lakeview Funeral Home and Crematory, 247 W. Johnson Road, La Porte, IN 46350.

Donald W. Kornack  Date of Death 8/6/2007

BREMEN — Donald W. Kornack, 76, of Bremen, died Monday, Aug. 6, 2007, at 9 a.m. at Community Hospital of Bremen.

Survivors include his wife, Jean; son, Scott E. Kornack of Frisco, Texas; daughter, Debra (Harlan) Kauffman of Indianapolis, and two grandchildren.

Services will be held Thursday, Aug. 9 at 10:30 a.m. at Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen. Burial will follow at Bremen Cemetery. Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 8 at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association or the Community Hospital of Bremen.

Anna Lea Helmuth  Date of Death 8/7/2007

BREMEN — Anna Lea Helmuth, 5, of Bremen, died at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 7 at home.

She is survived by her parents, Raymond and Elva Helmuth of Bremen; brothers: Ray Allen Helmuth, Gary Lee Helmuth, Mark Lavon Helmuth, James Helmuth and Walter Jay Helmuth, all at home; sisters: Eleanor (Leon) Kuhns of Nappanee, Alma Marie (James) Borkholder of Bremen and Marilyn Helmuth, at home; grandparents: Simon and Rosa Miller and Barbara Helmuth, all of Nappanee; and great-grandfather, Joe Miller of LaGrange.

The body lay in state Wednesday after 2 p.m. at the family residence, 1265 B. Rd., Bremen, and all day Thursday.

Funeral services will be held at the David Miller residence, 1329 E. B. Rd., Bremen, Friday, Aug. 10 at 9:30 a.m.

Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee, is in charge of the arrangements.

Charles M. Marsh  Date of Death 8/7/2007

BRISTOL — Charles M. Marsh, 77, of Bristol, died at 9 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 7 at home.

He is survived by his wife, Violet L. Marsh of Bristol; sons: Rodney Marsh of Cassopolis, Mich. And Timothy Marsh of Elkhart; one granddaughter; two great-granddaughters; sisters: Wilma
(Gary) Shepard of Plymouth and Thelma (Ronald) Mullins of Argos; and a brother, Harold Marsh of Plymouth.

Visitation is Friday, Aug. 10 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. at Stemm-Lawson-Peterson Funeral Home, Elkhart.

Funeral services are Saturday, Aug. 11 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Zion Cemetery, Bristol.

Louise Boulas  Date of Death 8/8/2007

ARGOS — Louise Boulas, 66, of 12031 19B Rd., Argos, passed away Wednesday, Aug. 8, 2007 at 2:58 p.m. in LaPaz.


Louise is survived by her daughters: Kathy and Armondo Castillo of South Bend, Penny and Larry Stacy of Argos and Reva and Dennis Peltz of Argos; her sons: Enoch and Shelia Wagers of Jackson, Ky. And Anthony and Tracy Boulas of Argos; 13 grandchildren: Karen, Sarah, Ricky, Daniel, Stephanie, Mondito, Amanda, Dustin, Ashley, Johnny, Shana, Jordan and Cameron; nine great-grandchildren; her brother, Douglas Miller of Argos; her sisters: Shirley and Ewen Vires of Argos, Reva and Justine Campbell of Hazen, Ky., Jackie and Harry Johnson of Argos, Judy and Richard Warren of Argos, Kathleen and Larry Horn of Plymouth and Betty and Olan Howard of Plymouth.

Funeral services will be held Monday, Aug. 13, 2007, at 11:30 a.m. at Van Gilder Funeral Home, with the Rev. Lloyd Howard officiating. Burial will be in Maple Grove Cemetery in Argos.

A time of visiting and sharing memories of Louise, with her family, will be Sunday, Aug. 12, 2007 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison St., Plymouth, Indiana, 46563.

Friends may sign the guest book and share memories with the Boulas family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com

Sharon L. Cool  Date of Death 8/8/2007

INDIANAPOLIS — Sharon L. Cool, 68, of Indianapolis, died at 11:45 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 8 in the Indiana Heart Hospital.

She is survived by her husband, Michael; a daughter; Terri Gren of St. George, Utah; three sons: Steven Cool of Indianapolis, Stanley Cool of North Vernon and James Cool of Carmel; 14 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; a brother; step mother; and two step brothers.

A graveside service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 11 in the Fair Cemetery, located on Oak Road just north of Stanton Road in St. Joseph County near her former home of North Liberty.

Memorials to the Salvation Army or charity of the donor’s choice.

Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, is assisting with the arrangements.

Justine Fletcher  Date of Death 8/11/2007
GROVERTOWN — Justine Fletcher, 63, of Grovertown, died Saturday, Aug. 11 at St. Mary’s Hospital, Hobart.

She is survived by her husband, Glen; daughter, Lora (Ernie) Brewer of Knox; son, Omas Fletcher of Grovertown; five grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and a sister, Carry Jellison of Van Wert, Ohio.

There will be no visitation or services.

Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel, is in charge of arrangements.

Dennis H. Hirschy  Date of Death 8/11/2007

BLUFFTON — Dennis H. Hirschy, 85, of Bluffton, died at 6:48 a.m. on Saturday, Aug. 11 at Bluffton Regional Medical Center.

He is survived by sons: Bruce (Jeni) Hirschy of Plymouth and Sam (Liane) Hirschy of Bluffton; one sister, Anna Louise Beer of Bluffton; and five grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at the Goodwin Memorial Chapel in Bluffton. Visitation will be from 2 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Elm Grove Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the River Terrace Estates.

Mary O. Rodgers  Date of Death 8/11/2007

BREMEN — Mary O. Rodgers, 90, of Bremen, died at 4:45 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 11 at home.

She is survived by one daughter, Alice L. Shepherd of Bremen; two sons: James L. Rodgers of Bremen and David L. Rodgers of Terre Haute; four grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

Visitation is two hours prior to services at the church Tuesday, Aug. 14.

Services are Tuesday, Aug. 14 at 11:30 a.m. at St. Paul’s Lutheran Church, 605 S. Center St., Bremen.

Burial will be at Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth, at a later date.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Marshall County or St. Paul’s Lutheran School.

Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen, is in charge of arrangements.

David M. Burns  Date of Death 8/12/2007

KNOX — David M. Burns, 72, of Knox, died Sunday, Aug. 12 at Starke Memorial Hospital, Knox.

He is survived by his wife, Shirley A. Burns of Knox; sons: David M. (LuAnn) Burns of Wanatah, Gregory A. (Debrah) Burns of Knox, Keith B. (Charlotte) Burns of Kewanna and William D. Burns of Knox; brothers: Douglas K. Burns of Plymouth and Rick Burns of Tennessee; sisters: Betty (Edward) Rosebaum of Hanna, Nancy (Joe) Jimenez of Valparaiso and Helen Norman of Akron; eight grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Tuesday, Aug. 14 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver.

Funeral services are Tuesday, Aug. 14 at 2 p.m. at the funeral home.
Ray E., Rev. Mills  Date of Death 8/12/2007


Born in Gillett Grove, Iowa, he was the son of Ross and Pearl Bargloff Mills.


He was a member of the North Indiana Conference of the United Methodist Church, a former Kiwanis member, and a member of the Singing Saints. As a Master Gardener, he left prayer gardens for all to enjoy. He enjoyed stamps, traveling and reading. He passionately loved his family and always lived to serve others.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by his children, Mark (Maxine) Mills of Logansport, and Beckie E. M. Clawson of Elkhart, two stepdaughters, Doris Winans of Fort Wayne and Dorothy (Russell) May of Lans Downe, Va.; a sister, Fay (George) Lanz of Spencer, Iowa; two brothers, Charles (Thelma) Mills of Sioux Rapids, Iowa, and Kay (Thelma) Mills of Raymore, Mo.; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

His funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at Wesley Manor, Amanda Reid Chapel, with Pastor Lore Blinn Gibson officiating. Burial will be at Greenwood Cemetery, Michigan City, at 2:30 p.m. Central time. Calling will be from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday at Genda Funeral Home, 608 N. Main St., Frankfort, and one hour prior to the service at the chapel. Memorials may be made to Good Samaritan Fund of Wesley Manor, Frankfort, or the United Methodist Children's Home of Lebanon. Online condolences may be directed to gendafuneralhome.com.

Verna Payne  Date of Death 8/12/2007

INDIANAPOLIS — Verna Payne, 90, of Indianapolis, formerly of Bremen, died at 3:50 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 12 at Community Hospital South, Greenwood.

She is survived by daughters: Carol (John) Winkler of Indianapolis and Jean (Phillip) Napier of Thomasville, Ga.; son, William Payne of Thomasville, Ga.; three grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Wednesday, Aug. 15 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen.

Funeral services are Wednesday, Aug. 15 at 1 p.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at the Bremen Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Grace United Methodist Church, 323 N. Montgomery St., Bremen, IN 46506.

Lee R. Johnson  Date of Death 8/13/2007
PLYMOUTH — Lee R. Johnston, 91, of 625 Oakhill Ave., Plymouth, passed away on Monday, Aug. 13, 2007 at 9 a.m. in Miller's Merry Manor, Plymouth.

Lee was born Sept. 16, 1915 in Durant, Iowa, to Ralph and Ruth (Lee) Johnston. On May 24, 1941 Lee and Mary Scott were married. She preceded him in death in 1990. Lee was a mechanical engineer and retired from Walkerton Tool and Dye. He worked in sales and as a shop manager. Lee and Mary moved to Plymouth, from South Bend, in 1984.

Lee is survived by his daughters, Linda and Pat Glon of West Lafayette and Janis Johnston of Champaign, Ill.; two grandchildren; and his sister, Mary Murry of Oskaloosa, Iowa. Lee was preceded in death by his wife, Mary, and his brother, Paul Johnston.

Funeral services for Lee will be held Friday, Aug. 17, 2007 at 10:30 a.m. at the VAN GILDER FUNERAL HOME, with the Rev. Dr. E. Dean Fager officiating. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

A time of visiting with Lee's family will be on Thursday, Aug. 16, 2007 from 4 to 7 p.m. at the VAN GILDER FUNERAL HOME, 300 West Madison St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

The Johnston family requests that memorial contributions in Lee's name, be given to the Marshall County Humane Society, P.O. Box 22, Plymouth, IN 46563, or the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 655, Plymouth, IN 46563.

Friends may sign the guest book and share memories with the Johnston family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com

Lee R. Johnston  Date of Death 8/13/2007

DONALDSON — Sr. Verona Reeb, PHJC, 91, of Donaldson, died Monday, Aug. 13 at the Catherine Kasper Life Center, Donaldson.

She is survived by a brother, Clarence (Elsie) Reeb of Belleville, Ill.

Visitation is Thursday, Aug. 16 from 4:30 to 9 p.m. at the Catherine Kasper Home Chapel.

Funeral services are Friday, Aug. 17 at 11 a.m. at the chapel.

Burial will be at Mount Carmel Cemetery, Donaldson.

Sister Verona Reeb  Date of Death 8/13/2007
Memorials may be made to the Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ Ministry.

**Dora B. Holland  Date of Death 8/14/2007**

PLYMOUTH — Dora B. Holland, 89, a lifetime Marshall County resident, formerly living on Randolph Drive, died of natural causes, on Tuesday, Aug. 14, 2007, at 2:30 p.m. in the Pilgrim Manor Care Center.

Dora was born the daughter of Lyman and Myrtle Mullins Gordon on May 3, 1918 in Hoopston, Ill. She graduated from LaPaz High School.

On Feb. 18, 1941, in Plymouth, Dora and Morris C. Holland were married. Morris died on Aug. 21, 1987.

A homemaker, Dora loved cooking and especially baking. She was a gardener for many years and enjoyed making beautiful dried floral arrangements.

Dora served as a volunteer for the St. Joseph Hospital Auxiliary.

A member of the Trinity United Methodist Church, she was active with the Mary and Martha Club.

She is survived by a daughter and two sons. They are daughter, Sharon L. Dickey; David M. and Cindy Holland and Kevin R. and Susan Holland, all of Plymouth.

Four grandchildren also survive: Ashley Holland, Jeff (Shelli) Dickey: Dawn (Kent) Thomas and Misty (Broc) Buczolich.

Six great-grandchildren survive as well. They are: Kylie, Kassie, Karlie, Jamie, Jenna and Zachary.

Three sisters and two brothers preceded Dora in death. They are: infant Joan Gordon, Betty Howard, Edith Kepler, Walter and Donald Gordon.

Family services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 16, 2007 in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St. Plymouth, officiated by Michael Burroughs. Friends may call one hour prior to services.

Interment will be in Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Dora’s memory may be made to the Marshall County Hospice and Palliative Care, the Trinity United Methodist Church or to a charity of the donor’s choice.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family via the Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com

**Betty J. Harrell  Date of Death 8/15/2007**

PLYMOUTH — Betty J. Harrell, 83, 805 Baker Street, Plymouth, passed away in the presence of her loving family at 7:55 a.m. Wednesday, August 15, 2007, in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Born in Walkerton on May 13, 1924, Betty was the daughter of Lewis T. and Edith L. Dipert Kelver.

She graduated from Walkerton High School in 1942.

The family lived in Argos from 1957 to 1998. Before and after those years, they lived in Plymouth.

Betty was a school bus driver for the Argos Community School System for 11 years.

Her God, her church and her family were very important to Betty.

For 30 years, she taught Sunday school and Junior Church at the Assembly of God in Plymouth. She sang and played the piano, organ and guitar.

She was a 4-H volunteer for many years.

Betty is survived by six children, two sons and four daughters.

Her sons are William E. and Rose Harrell, Argos; Paul L. and Carrie Harrell, Plymouth.

Her daughters are Barbara J. and John Pittman, Plymouth; Catherine L. and Larry Zimmer, Jacksonville, Ill., Susan K. Miller, Plymouth and Darlene L. and Jim Zimmer, Fort Collins, Colo.

Sixteen grandchildren, twenty great-grandchildren, six step-grandchildren and one step-great-great-granddaughter, together with a sister, Pauline Knowlton, Walkerton, survive as well.

Betty was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, an infant son and five sisters: Marge Neidlinger, Mildred Williams, Lois Klatt, Dorothy Harrell and Mary Lou Johnson and three brothers: Elmer Kelver, Harold Kelver and Wayne Kelver.

Friends are invited to come and share memories and celebrate the life of Betty Harrell from 4 to 8 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 17, 2007, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth and one hour prior to the services at the Church on Saturday.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Aug. 18, 2007, in the New Song Community Church which is on the south-east corner of Jefferson Street and Kingston Road. Rev. Justin Chambers, and Rev. Lowell Ott, pastors of the church, will officiate.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Betty's memory may be made to the Marshall County 4-H or to the New Song Community Church.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family via www.johnson-danielson.com

Max E. Tharp  Date of Death 8/16/2007

PLYMOUTH — Max E. Tharp has been called upon once again to serve. Max, 84, died unexpectedly of natural causes, at his home, 120 Elliott Ave., Plymouth, at 12:29 a.m. on Thursday, Aug. 16, 2007.

When Max is remembered, people will speak of his hard work, compassion and dedication to his church, family, country and community. He shared a masterful talent in funeral service that spanned 60 years.

Max was born in Bourbon, the son of Marvin R. and Mary Spencer Tharp, on Dec. 27, 1922. At home he worked in the family creamery. He graduated from West High School with the class of 1940.

Max served his country in the United States Army in World War II stationed in Northern France from 1943–1946. Upon his return he began working at the Johnson & Son Funeral Home with Ralph Johnson and Max's brother-in-law, Francis Johnson.
On Feb. 1, 1948, in Plymouth, Max and Marian L. Walterhouse were married.

He then pursued his career in funeral service and graduated from the Indiana College of Mortuary Science in 1949 and received his Embalmer/Funeral Director’s license. Max had a gift of remembering the events of nearly every funeral service and family. He continued to serve as a consultant for the funeral home as recent as this past Tuesday.

Work was his life hobby, yet in his later years, he enjoyed the many activities of his grandchildren.

A long-time member of the Trinity United Methodist Church, the Plymouth Lions Club, and the V.F.W. Post 1162, he was also a Republican precinct committeeeman and served on the Center Township Advisory Board for a number of years.

Max is survived by Marian, his wife of 59 years, and by their children, two sons and a daughter.


Five grandchildren also survive, they are: Zachary Tharp, Amber (Doug) Doster, Rachel Tharp, Leah Tharp and Lorian Tharp. A great-grandson includes Jack William Doster.

A sister, June Gilligan of Banner Elk, N.C., and several nieces and nephews also survive.

Max was preceded in death by his parents, a sister; Martha E. Johnson, and a brother; Robert S. Tharp.

Friends are invited to share memories and celebrate the life of Max Tharp from 3 to 7 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 18, 2007, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 19, 2007, in the Trinity United Methodist Church, 425 S. Michigan St., where friends may call one hour prior to services. The Rev. William Kaster, pastor of the church, will officiate.

Burial will follow in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth with Military Honors accorded him by the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1162 and American Legion Post 27.

Memorial gifts in Max’s memory may be given to the Trinity United Methodist Church.

Letters of condolence can be sent to the family via the Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com

Ethelyn A. Titler  Date of Death 8/16/2007

SAND CREEK – Ethelyn A. Titler, 94, passed from this life on Thursday, Aug. 16, 2007 at the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Gloria and Larry Taylor, in Walkerton.

Ethelyn was born July 22, 1913, the oldest child of Ernie and Anna (Luthey) Leininger. On April 7, 1938, she married George W. Titler in Metamora, Ohio; a marriage of 62 years. George preceded her in death in 2000.

Ethelyn worked side by side with her husband at the farm in the Sand Creek area. For 25 years they enjoyed spending winters in Bradenton, Florida. She also traveled extensively throughout the United States with her family. Ethelyn was an active member of Bethany Assembly of God Church in Adrian.

Ethelyn is survived by her daughter Gloria and her husband Larry Taylor of Walkerton; two grandchildren, Lowell (Nancy) Taylor of Polo, Ill. And Kimberly (Michael) Bucheit of Valparaiso;
and two great-grandchildren, Kelsey and Reid Taylor. In addition to her husband, George, she was preceded in death by her parents, a brother, Vern Leininger, and two sisters, Ada Kentner and Orpha Wyse.

Funeral services for Ethelyn will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, Aug. 24, 2007 at the Wagley Funeral Home. Burial will follow at Packard Cemetery. Friends may visit the family on Friday from 9 a.m. until the service at 11 a.m. Contributions in memory of Ethelyn may be directed to the Plymouth Church of the Brethren. Envelopes are available at the Wagley Funeral Home.

**John C. Leonard**  **Date of Death**  **8/18/2007**

PLYMOUTH — John C. Leonard, 84, of 14484 Crest Lane, Plymouth, passed away Saturday, Aug. 18, 2007 at his home.

He was born Sept. 16, 1922 in Springfield, Ill., to John and Rose (Delaney) Leonard. John served his country, in the Army, during WWII, in the 76th Infantry Third Army. He married Iona Sparks in Saint Paul, Minn. On April 1, 1944. John owned grain elevators in Chenoa, Ill. John and his family moved to Plymouth in 1970. He managed Agway Seed for 17 years.

John was a member of Saint Michael Catholic Church, V.F.W. Post #1162, and the Knights of Columbus. John was a devoted husband, father and grandfather. His greatest joy was his family.

John is survived by his wife of 63 years, Iona; their sons, John and Kara Leonard, III of Brighton, Australia, Kenneth and Elizabeth Leonard of Springfield, Ill., Philip Leonard of Plymouth; their daughters, Sheila and Sam Easley of New Milford, Conn. And Barbara and Rick Miller of Plymouth; his brothers and sisters, Russell and Gloria Leonard of New Milford, Conn. And Barbara and Rick Miller of Plymouth; his brothers and sisters, Russell and Gloria Leonard of Decatur, Ill., Rose Brock of Saint Lucie, Fla., and James Leonard of Illiopolis, Ill.; 14 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. John was preceded in death by a daughter Mary; his brothers, Richard Leonard and Eugene Leonard; and two grandsons, Dustin Easley and Philip Pearson.

The Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Thursday, Aug. 23, 2007, at 11 a.m. in Saint Michael Catholic Church, Plymouth, with the Rev. Father William Kummer officiating. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth. The V.F.W. Post #1162 will present John, with Military Honors, at the graveside.

Family and friends are invited to share in the visitation on Wednesday, Aug. 22, 2007, from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison St., Plymouth, IN, 46563. The Rosary will be prayed at 7 p.m. on Wednesday at the Funeral Home.

The family would like for any memorials contributions to be given to Saint Michael Catholic Church or to the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, Inc.

Friends may sign the guest book and share memories with the Leonard family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com

**Floyd “Buzz” Chambers**  **Date of Death**  **8/19/2007**

KNOX — Floyd “Buzz” Chambers, 73, of Knox, died Sunday, Aug. 19 at Starke Memorial Hospital.

He is survived by sons: Rick (Marlene) Chambers of Knox and Randy (Beverly) Chambers of Knox; four grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; brothers: Bob of Aldine, Chuck and Alan, both of Knox and Bill of South Bend; and sister, Charlotte Snyder of South Bend.

Visitation is Wednesday, Aug. 22 at noon CDT until the time of services at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel.

Funeral services are Wednesday, Aug. 22 at 2 p.m. CDT at the funeral home.
Burial will be at Crown Hill Cemetery, Knox.

**Mark Edward Scott  Date of Death 8/19/2007**

TIPPECANOE — Mark Edward Scott, 46, of Tippecanoe, passed away unexpectedly at 6:25 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 19 in the Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center of Plymouth.

He is survived by his two daughters: Sherri Foust (Mrs. Joe Tackett and Stephanie Scott all of Tippecanoe; three grandchildren; his mother, Marilyn Scott of Tippecanoe; and three brothers: David Scott and Doug Scott of Tippecanoe and Steve and Kim Scott of Argos.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, Aug. 23 at 10:30 a.m. in the Tippecanoe Community Church, 2940 18b Rd. in Tippecanoe. There will also be one hour of visitation at the church before the funeral services.

Visitation is Wednesday, Aug. 22 from 2 to 8 p.m. at Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home 115 S. Main St. Bourbon.

Burial will follow in the Summit Chapel Cemetery at Bourbon.

**Margaret R. Zinn  Date of Death 8/19/2007**

BRIDGEWATER, Va. — Margaret R. Zinn, 87, resident of Bridgewater Retirement Village, died Sunday morning, Aug. 19, 2007, of respiratory failure after a struggle of several months.

Mrs. Zinn was born Sept. 9, 1919, in Bourbon, to Willard and Estella Yazel Sellers. She attended school in Bourbon, graduating in 1937, and in 1939, she married her high school sweetheart, Philip Zinn, who survives her.

Mrs. Zinn was a lifelong learner. She was a homemaker as her six children grew up, along with serving the Church of the Brethren in several states as pastor’s wife, Sunday school teacher, pianist and chorister. She also did clerical work at Bridgewater College for a few years and worked in the SERRV Gift Shop in Houston, Texas. She served on many church and organizational committees and boards, and was an active volunteer, primarily in Tampa, Fla.: five years for Hospice, 20 years as a reader for Radio Reading for the Visually Handicapped, and eight years as a Programmed Patient for medical students at the University of South Florida.

She also pursued many other interests: she was an avid reader and letter-writer, wrote poetry and compiled a book of her verse in 1998, quilted with a church group, participated in Leaveners, a women’s discussion group, and performed in musical presentations.

Five of their six children survive: Rebecca and husband Wayne Liskey, of Harrisonburg, Va.; Marty and husband Pete Hill, of Athens, Ohio; Dan and wife Anneliese, of Colrain, Mass.; John and wife Sandy, of Fountain Hills, Ariz.; and Tim and wife Sara, of Houston, Texas. Other survivors include sister Velma and husband Dale Bules, and sister Lorna (and husband John, deceased) Miller, all of Bourbon, and a favorite aunt, Evelyn Moody, of Port Charlotte, Fla. Mrs. Zinn was blessed with 11 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Noelle Zinn Neff Webb, who died in 1997.

A memorial service will be held at Bridgewater Church of the Brethren on Saturday, Sept. 8, at 2 p.m., and a special remembrance will be held at Lantz Chapel in Bridgewater Retirement Village on Sunday, Sept. 9, at 3 p.m. An extended family memorial gathering is planned for Oct. 13 in Bourbon.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations be made to Bridgewater Healthcare Foundation, 302 N. Second Street, Bridgewater, VA 22812.
William Kenneth Luty  Date of Death 8/20/2007

BOURBON — William Kenneth Luty, 98, a resident of 5888 14th Rd. Bourbon, passed away Monday, Aug. 20, 2007 at 6:40 a.m. in Miller’s Merry Manor Nursing Home of Plymouth.

Kenneth was born the son of John W. Luty and Minnie Cavanaugh Luty on Sept. 12, 1908 in Bourbon, on the very farm where he had lived his entire life.


He is survived by his two children: Sue Sell of Plymouth and Bob and Mary Lou Luty of Mishawaka. He was also blessed with six grandchildren; Lou Ann and Bob Alger of Orlando, Fla., Tony L. and Jackie Sell of Bourbon, Cindy and Dave Sherrier of McCordsville, Laurie Luty of Celebration, Fla., Terry and Martha Sell of Bourbon and Lisa Morin of Granger and 11 great-grandchildren. He also has a great-great-grandchild and three nieces who survive.

He was preceded in death by his two brothers: Arthur and Carl.

Kenneth was a graduate of Bourbon High School, class of 1926. He was a retired farmer, retiring at the age of 72. He was past treasurer of the Bethel Cemetery. He enjoyed fishing and reading and his family was very important. He was a faithful member of the Bethel Church and later became a member of the Bourbon First United Methodist Church.

Funeral services to celebrate Kenneth’s life will be held Thursday, Aug. 23 at 2 p.m. in the Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home at 115 S. Main St. Bourbon.

There will be a time of visiting and sharing memories with the family on Thursday, from 11 a.m. until the time of the services at Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home.

Burial will follow in the Oak Hill Cemetery at Plymouth.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Bourbon First United Methodist Church in his memory.

Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home is in charge of local arrangements.

Milton Albert McGee  Date of Death 8/21/2007

PLYMOUTH — Milton Albert McGee, 86, formerly of 15374 U.S. Hwy. 6, Plymouth, died of natural causes at Miller’s Merry Manor, Walkerton, at 1:50 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 21, 2007. He had been a Plymouth resident since 1948.

Milton was born on March 2, 1921 in Walters, Okla. He was the son of John Alla and Ollie Marie Stewart McGee.

He graduated from Blue High School, Walters, Okla., in 1941. Milt had worked for the C.C.C. prior to his high school graduation.

An Oklahoma native, he rough-necked it in the oil fields before the war.

Milt served in World War II as the radio operator on a B-24 bomber and would also man the plane’s top gun when the action got hot.

He and his crew were part of the 425th Bomb Squadron in the 308th Bomb Group stationed out
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of Kunming, China. He and his crew flew 69 missions, and all of his mates survived after being shot down over China.

Among his medals are the Air Medal with oak leaf clusters, the Purple Heart with oak leaf clusters and the Distinguished Flying Cross which was awarded by Gen. Claire Chenault.

On July 29, 1944, Milton and Edna Marie Hoffman were married in St. Peter’s Lutheran Church, Chicago. Edna preceded him in death on June 24, 2006.

Milt worked at Bendix for 32 years as a refrigeration and air-conditioning engineer.

He enjoyed hunting, farming, gardening, camping, fishing and spending time with his family, especially attending the sporting events of his children and grandchildren.

Milt was a member of Calvary Lutheran Church, Plymouth, where he was an Elder and Trustee. He also belonged to the V.F.W. and the National Rifle Association.

Milt leaves his loving family; three sons: John A. and wife Sharon McGee, Wayne M. and wife Cheryl McGee, all of Walkerton and Thomas C. and wife Susan McGee of Plymouth, a daughter: Janis K and spouse Dan Malicki of Klamath Falls, Oregon along with seven granddaughters: Megan Hellickson, Kari Snyder, Katie McGee, Caitlin Malicki, Tara McGee, Molly McGee and Carlin Malicki and a grandson: Andrew McGee and great granddaughter: Alexis Snyder.

A sister: Billie Lewis of Dennison, Texas; two nieces and two nephews also survive.

Friends are invited to celebrate the life of Milton McGee from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 23, 2007, in the Calvary Lutheran Church, 1314 N. Michigan St., Plymouth. Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. in the Church with the Rev. Steven Resner officiating.

Burial will be in Morris Cemetery on U.S. 6 west of LaPaz, where Military Rites will be accorded by the Plymouth American Legion Post 27 and the Plymouth V.F.W. Post 1162.

Memorial gifts may be given in Milt's memory to the church.

Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, is assisting the family with the arrangements.

Messages of condolence to the family may be sent to www.johnson-danielson.com

Vida J. Pearson  Date of Death 8/21/2007

UPLAND — Vida J. Pearson, 91, died at her home in rural Grant County after an extended illness and has gone home to be with her Lord and Savior. She was a member of the Marion Retired Teachers Assn., the American Assn, of University Women, the Grant Co. Extension Homemakers Club, and the YWCA Board, of which she was a past President and Kappa Delta Pi Sorority. She was a life long and faithful member of the Oak Chapel United Methodist Church, where she served in several capacities, including Missions Board and delegate to the State Methodist Conference for many years.

Mrs. Pearson was born Jan 13. 1916 to Jay Livingston Townsend and Blanche Ethel (Gillespie) Townsend in rural Grant County, and attended Walnut Creek School, a one-room school in Monroe Township. She graduated from Upland High School in 1933. She earned her Bachelors of Science degree, her Masters of Secondary Education, and her Masters of Counseling from Ball State University, and completed her Education Specialist (EdS) degree from Purdue University. During her career as an education professional she touched the lives of many students and their families through her roles as a 4th grade teacher, a Home Economics teacher, a Reading Specialist, and an Elementary Counselor in Marion Schools, Jackson School in Wells Co., and Montpelier in Blackford Co. She was a 4-H leader for many years as well.
She is survived by her children, Jerry J. (Barbara), Plymouth, Harry L. (Betty Jo), Hartford City, Joseph R. (Anne), Hartford City, Joan (Bruce) McQuaid, Parker, Colorado, and Betsy (Larry) Underwood, West Lafayette, a brother, Wayne (Helen) Townsend, Hartford City.

Mrs. Pearson was a loving wife, mother and grandmother, adored by her 16 grandchildren, 39 great grandchildren, and four step great-grandchildren, who also survive her.

She was preceded in death by her husband Cecil L. Pearson to whom she was married for 69 years before his death in 2004, son, Ted, infant son, Lavaughn, and by her siblings, Martha Townsend, James Townsend, George Townsend, and Mary (Townsend) Burks.

Memorials may be made to the Oak Chapel United Methodist Church Building Fund, 1335 S. Jadden Road, Marion, IN 46953.

Service
10:00 a.m. Friday
August 24, 2007
Oak Chapel United Methodist Church
1335 S. 1157 E. (Jadden Road)
Marion, Indiana 46953

Officiating
Rev. Gary Newton
Rev. Jay Soultz

Interment
Grant Memorial Park
Marion, Indiana

Services conducted by
Jones-Smith Funeral Home
Upland, Indiana

Visitation:
Thursday 3-8 p.m.
Jones-Smith Funeral Home
259 N. Main Street
Upland, Indiana 46989
Online condolences may be made to www.jones-smithfuneralhome.com

**Madene Turee  Date of Death 8/24/2007**

PLYMOUTH — Madene Tyree, 76, died Friday evening at St. Joseph Regional Hospital in Plymouth, Indiana, after a short illness. She was born in Little Rock, Ark., on Jan. 20, 1931, to Chester and Ruby Benoit.

She was married to John Donald Tyree and spent most of her life in Tipp City, Ohio, before they moved to Plymouth, to live with their only child, Daniel, and his family.

Mrs. Tyree is survived by her son, Daniel and wife Charlotte of Plymouth, and three grandchildren, Katie, Nancy and Jonathan. Her step-brother, Bruce Benoit of California, also survives.

She was preceded in death by her husband.

Visitation will be held at Frings-Bayliff Funeral Home, 327 W. Main St., Tipp City, Ohio, on Monday, Aug. 27, from 5 to 8 p.m.
A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Tipp City, on Tuesday, Aug. 28, at 3 p.m. Interment will follow at St. John’s Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to the Plymouth High School Speech and Drama Department Scholarship Fund, and can be sent to Plymouth High School Speech, #1 Big Red Drive, Plymouth, IN 46563.

The Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth is assisting with local arrangements.

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Margaret L. Wakeland  Date of Death 8/24/2007

Margaret L. Wakeland, 81, of Rochester, died Friday, Aug. 24.

She is survived by one daughter, Elaine Marie Wakeland of Waynesboro, Tenn.; three sons, Bruce E. and Jane Wakeland of Culver, Neal K. and Keri Wakeland of Rochester and Daniel E. and Janey Wakeland of Grandview, Texas; seven grandchildren; five great-grandchildren and two sisters, Marietta Shirley of Albuquerque, N.M. and Joan and Lewis Rusk of Lafayette.

Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. Monday and from 9 to 9:45 a.m. Tuesday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

A prayer vigil will be at 7:30 p.m. Monday in the funeral home.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday at St. Joseph Catholic, 1310 Main St., Rochester, with Father Joseph Jacob.

Burial will be at Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Hazel M. Beldon  Date of Death 8/25/2007
WALKERTON — Hazel M. Beldon, 92, of Walkerton, died Saturday, Aug. 25 at 7:15 p.m.

She is survived by three daughters, Barbara Stuber of South Bend, Joan Millow of Mishawaka and Delores Owens of Illinois; two sons: Larry Beldon of Mishawaka and James Beldon of Plymouth; one brother, Albert Heim of Walkerton; 15 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren and eight great-great-grandchildren.

There will be no visitation or services. Cremation will take place. Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel, is in charge of arrangements. Memorial contributions may be given to the American Cancer Society, 601 W. Edison Rd., Mishawaka, IN 46545.

Jane Foster  Date of Death 8/27/2007


She was born Dec. 2, 1928 in Lake Bruce to James and Alma Edlin Bruce. She married Milton Foster on Dec. 2, 1948 in Indianapolis. He died Nov. 11, 1961.

She was a retired telephone operator for United Telephone Co. She retired after 30 years of employment. She was active with the United Telephone Co. Retiree's Group. She was a lifelong member of the Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church, Lake Bruce. She was a 50 year member of the Order of Eastern Star #96, Winamac. She was an avid NASCAR fan and Indiana University basketball fan.

Survivors include sons: Bruce M. (Carol) Foster of Plymouth, Steven J. (Barbara) Foster of Rochester and Craig Samuel (Sandy) Foster of Winamac; 15 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; and brothers: William H. (Peggy) Bruce of Moline, Ill. And John A. (Becky) Bruce of Winamac.

She was preceded in death by her father, James M. Bruce; her mother, Alma V. Edlin Bruce; husband, Milton G. Foster; son, David E. Foster; stepson, Larry Foster; great-grandchild, Adelyn Foster; and brothers: Robert Bruce and Thomas Bruce.

Services will be held at 1 p.m. EDT Thursday, Aug. 30 in Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church, Lake Bruce, with Pastor Steven McPeek officiating.

Burial will be in Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Lake Bruce.

Friends may call after 11 a.m. EDT Thursday, Aug. 30, 2007 at Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Armandina (Gaeta) Shuman  Date of Death 8/27/2007

ROCHESTER — Armandina (Gaeta) Shuman, 39, of Rochester, died at 4:50 a.m. on Monday, Aug. 27, 2007 in Lafayette. Born in Lafayette on Dec. 18, 1967 to Juan and Felipa (Salazar) Gaeta, she had also resided in Zacatecas, Mexico and Los Angeles, Calif.

She was a 1986 graduate of Jefferson High School and earned an associate degree from Indiana Business College. She worked for Lafayette Bank and Trust and was a homemaker.

She married Timothy P. Shuman on Feb. 12, 1999 in Rochester and he survives.

Mrs. Shuman was a member of St. Boniface Catholic Church in Lafayette and the Parent Booster Club at Culver Community High School. She loved being with her children.
Surviving with her husband are three sons: Eduardo A. Leyva, Ethan P. Shuman and Shane O. Shuman and a daughter, Tiffany R. Leyva all of Rochester; a sister, Rosalba Orozco of Lafayette; and four brothers: Francisco (Crista) Gaeta of Vancouver, Wash., Victor (Yolanda) Gaeta of Zacatecas, Mexico, Humberto (Isabel) Gaeta, and Octavio Gaeta all of Lafayette. Also surviving are several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by an infant, Angel Shuman.

Visitation is from 5 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 29, 2007 at Hippensteel Funeral Home, 822 N. 9th St. Lafayette. Funeral Mass will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday at St. Boniface Catholic Church, 318 N. 9th St. Lafayette with Father Tim Alkire officiating. Interment is at St. Boniface Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to American Cancer Society.

Hippensteel Funeral Home entrusted with care. Share memories and condolences online at www.hippensteelfuneralhome.com

Kathryn V. Weccard Chandler  Date of Death 8/28/2007

DONALDSON — Kathryn V. Weccard Chandler, 91, one of Donaldson’s oldest residents, died of natural causes at 5:38 a.m., on her farm in Donaldson on Tuesday morning, Aug. 28, 2007.

She was born in a strong German enclave in Chicago, on May 14, 1916, the only child of John W. and Marie O. Mey Weccard.

She first came to Donaldson when she was only 1 year old. She was sent to her grandparents’, Victor and Clara Mey’s, farm, to live for an entire year to escape the Spanish Flu pandemic of 1918-1919.

Ever after, she came every summer of her life to visit. She helped the hired hands with the chores and played hostess to the extended families who vacationed there. She learned horseback riding and became an accomplished equestrian in Chicago and Marshall County. She learned to drive a horse and buggy and when she was 12, she was the only family member who learned how to drive their 1928 Packard.

A crack shot, she learned to shoot everything from a Derringer to a rifle.

Kathryn graduated from Chicago’s Mercy High School in 1934, the same year her family built the former Divine Heart College and Seminary on part of their family farm.

She became a private eye and went to work in her father’s business, the American Detective Services with offices in Chicago and New York City. She was assigned to undercover work, riding the trains between the two cities.

After her father’s death in 1944, Kathryn went to work for the Franciscan Relief Service, providing help to refugees of World War II.

She later worked as assistant to the president of the General Tire and Rubber Co. in Chicago, before her marriage on Nov. 27, 1948, in Saint Philip Neri Church to Joseph L. Chandler, a decorated Army veteran who had served his country in the Pacific Theater.

Kathryn retired after her marriage to raise a family. Three children were born — all of whom spent their summers on the Donaldson farm, Kathryn and Joseph having restored the homestead to its original beauty. They retired on the property in 1979.

After Joseph’s death on Jan. 18, 1983, she traveled extensively to visit family in Europe and throughout the United States.
Driving a car was a life long passion as she would frequently drive from Chicago to the farm saying hello to longtime caretakers and friends, Joe and Marcella Heet and return to Chicago. She gave up the practice at the age of 87. The Heets, along with Barbara Blaczyk and Lisa Strykel, continued as her steadfast caregivers in recent years.

Whenever the weather permitted, she could be seen in her wheelchair along Union Road, inspecting the fields, checking on the orchard and gathering wildflowers.

Very social, she enjoyed parties and the activities of her dear grandchildren. She was always welcoming family and friends for visits.

Kathryn was a member of Saint Alexander Church, several women’s groups and president of the Women’s Wanacas.


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

Friends are invited to celebrate the life of Kathryn Chandler on Wednesday, Aug. 29, 2007, from 4 to 8 p.m. EDT in the Catherine Kasper Chapel, Donaldson.

Visitation will continue from 3 to 9 p.m. CDT on Thursday, Aug. 30, 2007, in the Steuerle Funeral Home, 350 S. Ardmore Ave., Villa Park, Ill.

At 10 a.m. CDT on Friday, Aug. 31, 2007, a Mass of Christian Burial, officiated by Fr. Donald Rowe, S.J., Fr. Brian Paulson, S.J. and Pastor, Fr. Tuan, will be held at Saint Alexander Church, 300 S. Cornell in Villa Park, Ill.

Burial will follow in Rosehill Cemetery, Chicago.

The family requests memorial gifts in Kathryn’s memory may be made to the Ancilla Domini Endowment Fund, St. Alexander Church or the St. Ignatius College Prep - Financial Aid Endowment Fund.

Friends are invited to share memories with the family through the funeral home’s Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com

The Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, is assisting the family with arrangements.

Daniel W. Houin  Date of Death 8/28/2007

PLYMOUTH — Daniel W. Houin, 12603 11B Rd., Plymouth, died at 8:37 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 28, 2007, in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth. Dan died from injuries relating to a farming accident earlier that evening.

He was 49-years-old, a self-employed, hard-working farmer and a devoted husband and father.

Born on April 7, 1958, Dan was the tenth of the twelve children of Elmer Vincent and Lena Mae Baker Houin. He was baptized in St. Michael’s Roman Catholic Church in the same baptismal gown of his siblings, handmade by his mother.

He graduated from Plymouth High School with the class of 1976 and was involved in the FFA Program as an active member of the student body.
On Nov. 20, 1982, Dan and Tana J. Rodgers were married in St. Michaels at Plymouth.

Dan has been involved in farming his entire life. In his youth he was in 4-H and showed tractors, small engines and electrical projects. Raised on the family farm which was passed on from his grandparents, it has now become the core property of a Holstein milking operation in partnership with his brother Floyd since 1979. Together they raise Holstein milking herds.

A rather quiet man at times, he had a great sense of humor and really connected with children and young adults.

Dan enjoyed many sports and never missed an opportunity to watch and support his children in their many endeavors. He himself played volleyball, basketball and "struggled" with golf. He was a fan of Chicago's professional teams.

He is a lifelong member of St. Michael Catholic Church and a local member of the Moose Lodge No.741.

Dan is survived by Tana, his wife of 25 years, and their two children, their son, Matthew D., a student at Purdue University and Lindsay E., their daughter of Plymouth.

Susan L. Rodgers, his mother-in-law, of Plymouth, survives as well, together with his four brothers and six sisters which includes numerous nieces and nephews.

His surviving brothers are: Floyd M. (Debra) Houin, Plymouth: Vern A. (Julie) Houin, Granger: Roland E. (Kathy) Houin, Bremen, and Chris E. Houin, Burton, Ohio.


Three sisters-in-law are; Frances A. Houin of Plymouth, Melinda K. (Tim) Lemler of Bourbon and Cheryl L. (John) Caine of Pottsville, Penn. Survive with a host of aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

Dan was preceded in death by his parents, his father-in-law, Melvin C. Rodgers and a brother, David V. Houin.

Friends are invited to share memories and celebrate the life of Dan Houin from 3 to 8 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 31, 2007, at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth. A Rosary will be prayed at 8 p.m.

Visitation will continue after 7 a.m. on Saturday at the funeral home.

A Mass of Christian Burial, officiated by the Rev. Father William Kummer, at St. Michael Catholic Church, 615 N. Center St., Plymouth, will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 1, 2007.

The family request that memorial gifts in Dan’s memory be given to the church or the Plymouth High School Athletic Department.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family through the Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com

Edna P. McCan  Date of Death 8/28/2007

PLYMOUTH — Edna P. McCan, 72 of 10780 Lincoln Highway, was a lifetime Plymouth resident. Edna died in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth, at 12:56 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 28, following a re-occurring and valiant battle against cancer.
Many remember her as the always loyal, cheerful receptionist and bookkeeper — for over 30 years — in the medical offices of Drs. James Robertson and James Kubley.

Edna was born in Plymouth, on Dec. 1, 1934, the daughter of Edgar D. and Edna G. Miller Wright. She was a 1953 graduate of Plymouth High School.


Edna enjoyed being with her family and watching her granddaughters play softball.

She was a member of the Plymouth Church of the Brethren and a former member of the Eagles Auxiliary.

Edna is survived by three daughters: Debra Hillman and her friend Marty Easterday, Mindy (Eric) Keilman, J.J. (Todd) Sullivan, all of Plymouth; and their children Erin Calhoun, Rachel Hillman, Olivia, Emilee and, Zoe Keilman; Brianne, Marissa, and Sydney Sullivan all of Plymouth.


Edna was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, Jerry, a brother, Roger Wright and a sister, Audrey Rush.

Friends are invited to share their memories of Edna with her family from 5 to 7 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 30, at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth. Visitation will continue at 7 a.m. on Friday in the funeral home and for one hour prior to services in the church.

Funeral services for Edna will be at 11 a.m. on Friday, August 31, 2007, in the Plymouth Church of the Brethren, 1130 N. Michigan St. The Rev. Ruth Yoder, pastor of the church, will officiate.

Interment will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Edna’s name may be made to the Plymouth Church of the Brethren or the Plymouth Fire Department.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family via www.johnson-danielson.com.

Mildred V. Schipper  Date of Death 8/29/2007

DILLSBORO — Mildred V. Schipper, 86, of Dillsboro, formerly of Aurora and Indianapolis, died Wednesday, Aug. 29 in Dillsboro.

She is survived by a son, Mark (Cathy) Schipper of Fishers.

Visitation is Saturday, Sept. 1 from 9 to 10 a.m. at St. Mary’s Catholic Church, Aurora. Funeral services will follow at 10 a.m.

Burial will be at Riverview Cemetery, Aurora.

Memorials may be made to the Aurora Rescue Unit or St. Mary’s Catholic Church, Aurora.

Rullman Hunger Denney Funeral Home, Aurora, is in charge of the arrangements.

Jean E. Burden  Date of Death 9/1/2007
ARGOS — Jean E. Burden, 12 B Road, Argos, died in Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth, at 5:50 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 1, 2007. Jean was 84-years old.

She was born in Floyd, N.Y., the daughter of Nicholas and Cleora Brimson Soule, on Nov. 28, 1922. She graduated from the Oreskany, N.Y. High School.

On July 11, 1946, in Stittsville, N.Y., Jean and Dennis W. Burden were married. Jean retired from Young Door Co. in 1984.

An avid bowler, she also enjoyed gardening.

She was a member of the Plymouth V.F.W. Auxiliary.

Jean is survived by Dennis, her husband of 61 years, Argos, and by their son and daughter-in-law, Wesley and Josephine Burden, Plymouth, and by their daughter, Linda Burden, Berkley, Calif.

Two granddaughters, Gwyn and Brittany Burden, both of Plymouth, also survive, together with a brother, Bob Soule, Oriskany, N.Y., and a sister, Betty Koenig, Rome, N.Y..

Jean was preceded in death by her parents and a brother, George Soule.

Friends are invited to celebrate the life of Jean Burden with her family from 5 to 7 p.m. On Wednesday, Sept. 5, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Jean will be at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, Sept. 6, in the funeral home. The Rev. Dr. E. Dean Fager, pastor of the First United Methodist Church of Plymouth, will officiate.

Burial will be in the New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Jean’s memory may be made to the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care of Marshall County, a Parkinson’s Disease Support Group or the American Cancer Society-Marshall County Chapter.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family via www.johnson-danielson.com.

Ruth M. Stuber  Date of Death 9/1/2007

BREMEN — Ruth M. Stuber, 93, residing in Bremen, passed away at 9 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 1, at her home.

She is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Eldon and Sharon Stuber of Bremen; two granddaughters, Pamela (Larry) Martin of Bremen and Jana Lawmaster of Bremen; six great grandchildren, Larry ‘Sonny’ Martin, Jr., Jodi Martin, Heather Martin, Evan Martin, Mitchell Lawmaster and Alexandra Lawmaster; and one sister, Lois Gushwa of Bremen.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 5, at the Lakeville United Methodist Church. Rev. Larry Dimick will officiate. Burial will follow at Bremen Cemetery. Friends may visit with the family from 9 to 11 a.m. on Wednesday at the church.

Palmer Funeral Home, Lakeville, is assisting with funeral arrangements.

Contributions in memory of Ruth M. Stuber may be donated to The Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, Inc., 111 Sunnybrook Court, South Bend, IN 46637.

Wendell D. Lewark  Date of Death 9/3/2007
CULVER — Wendell D. Lewark, 81, of Culver, died Monday, Sept. 3 at 5:44 p.m. at home.

He is survived by a sister, Mildred (Les) McQueen of Ft. Wayne and a brother, Paul Lewark of Ft. Wayne.

There will be no visitation. A memorial service will be held at a later date. Burial will be private.

The Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, is in charge of the arrangements.

Jennie Castaneda  Date of Death 9/4/2007

PLYMOUTH — Jennie Castaneda, 87, died at 3:35 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 4 at Miller's Merry Manor, Plymouth.

She is survived by sons: Richard (Ruth) Castaneda of San Jose, Calif. And Robert (Marcy) Castaneda of Hayward, Calif.; daughters: Joann (Gene) Duenas of San Jose, Calif. And Jeanette (Mark) Polk of Plymouth; sister, Sister Adelaide Correa of Kearney, Neb.; nine grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; three sisters-in-law and two brothers-in-law.

Visitation is Friday, Sept. 7 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Oak Hill Funeral Home, San Jose, Calif., with a rosary service at 6 p.m.

Funeral services will be Saturday, Sept. 8 at 11:30 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Oak Hill Memorial Park, San Jose, Calif.

Memorials may be made to Alzheimer's Support Group.

Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, is in charge of local arrangements.

Susan E. Holbrook  Date of Death 9/4/2007

PLYMOUTH — Susan “Susie” E. Holbrook, 60, of 16155 West 6th Road, Plymouth, passed away at 4:10 a.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 4, 2007 at the Hospice House in South Bend.

Susie was born Dec. 14, 1946 in Plymouth, to Harry and C. Lucille (Muffley) Rhoades. She was employed in the quality control department at B.P.C. in Plymouth and had been a resident of the Marshall County area all her life. Susie was a big NASCAR fan.

Susie is survived by her daughters: Ronda and Duane Wallace of Holcombe, Wis. And Teresa Holbrook of Plymouth; her sister, Linda Isley of Plymouth; her brother, Steve Rhoades of Vista, Calif.; seven grandchildren: Kayla M. Wallace and Jason Wallace both of Holcombe, Wis., Robin L. Riffey of Culver, Ashley M. Wallace of Holcombe, Wis., James R. Riffey of Culver and Randi L. Schoolman and Tracy P. Schoolman both of Plymouth. Susie was preceded in death by her parents.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, Sept. 8, 2007 at 1 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, with Pastor Keith Isley officiating. Cremation will follow.

A time of visiting and sharing memories with Susie’s family will be Friday, Sept. 7, 2007, from 3 to 7 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

The family requests that memorial contributions be given to the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, Inc., 112 South Center St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

Friends may sign the guest book and share memories with the Holbrook family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com
Robert W. Keller  Date of Death 9/5/2007

PLYMOUTH – Robert W. "Bob" Keller, 73, died at 7:10 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 5 in Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth.

He is survived by daughters: Toni and Terry Bergel of Oaklawn, Ill. And Grace and Tim Beal of Wheatfield; sons: Phil and Dawn Caruso of Demotte, Rick and Dee Caruso of Lemott, Ill. And Joe Caruso of Gary; five grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Visitation is from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday, Sept. 10 at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday Sept.10 in the funeral home.

Burial will be in the New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society or the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care.

Joseph Stanley Mack  Date of Death 9/5/2007

LAKEVILLE — Joseph Stanley Mack, 82, of Lakeville, died at 6:25 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 5 in his home.

He is survived by his wife, Joanne; a daughter, Jeanne (Eric) Renken of Niles, Mich.; sons: Jeffery, Stanley and Greg Mack, all of Lakeville; and two granddaughters.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Sept. 7, in the Palmer Funeral Home, 314 S. Michigan St., Lakeville. Cremation will take place. Friends may visit with the family one-hour prior to the services in the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to The Center for Hospice & Palliative Care, Inc., 111 Sunnybrook Ct., South Bend, IN 46637 or the Alzheimer’s Services, 922 E. Colfax Avenue, South Bend, IN 46617.

Clara Mast-Moorhouse  Date of Death 9/5/2007

WARSAW — Clara Mast-Moorhouse, 100, of Warsaw, formerly of Plymouth, died Wednesday, Sept. 5 at Warsaw Meadows.

She is survived by a son, Richard N. (Lualhati) Mast of Villa Park, Ill.; five grandchildren and several great-grandchildren and nieces and nephews.

Family services will be held.

Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, is assisting the family with the arrangements.

Jeffrey Reynolds  Date of Death 9/5/2007

PLYMOUTH — Jeffrey Reynolds, 68, of Plymouth, died at his residence on Wednesday, Sept. 5 at 5:55 p.m.

Survivors include his long-time companion, Catherine Marie Jones of Bremen; sons: Randy (Jennifer) Reynolds of Plymouth, Tony (Lisa) Reynolds of Gladwin, Mich. And Steve Reynolds of Plymouth; 11 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; sisters: Juanita (Hobert) Denny of Broughtontown, Ky. And Joyce (Junior) Taylor of Eubank, Ky.
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Services will be held Saturday, Sept. 8 at 10 a.m. at the Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen. Burial will follow at the Bremen Cemetery. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 7 at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to SouthernCare Hospice, Inc. (National City Bank Bldg., 310 W. McKinley, Suite 340, Mishawaka, IN 46545.)

Dorland C. Baker  Date of Death 9/6/2007

PLYMOUTH — Dorland C. Baker, 84, died on Thursday, September 6th at Sherman Hospital in Elgin, Ill. He was an 82-year resident of Plymouth before recently relocating to Sun City in Huntley, Ill. With his wife, Marie.

Born in Plymouth on Nov. 5, 1922, Dorland was the son of Harrison and Lola Baker.

After graduating from Plymouth High School, Dorland served in World War II in the Army Air Corps in the Burma/India/China theatre.

On Jan. 31, 1948, Dorland was married to Marie at St. Clement’s Catholic Church in Chicago.

Dorland was a retired U.S. Postal Service employee.

Dorland leaves his loving family including his wife, Marie, his two sons: David Baker (and David’s wife Terry) of Algonquin, Ill. And Mike Baker of Park City, Utah, along with three granddaughters and one grandson (Shannon, Katie, Alison and Josh). His two brothers (Dale and Wayne) preceded him in death.

Friends are invited to visit with the family at the New Oak Hill Cemetery chapel on Wednesday, Sept. 12 between noon and 1 p.m. Family services will be held immediately thereafter.

Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, assisted the family with the arrangements.

Memorial Contributions in Dorland’s memory may be made to the American Heart Association.

Messages of condolence to the family may be sent to w.w.w.johnson-danielson.com.

Delmar L. "Jr." Carothers  Date of Death 9/7/2007

BREMEN — Delmar L. "Jr." Carothers, 84, of Bremen, died Friday, Sept. 7 at 2 p.m. at Bremen Health Care Center.

He is survived by one daughter, Kay Sprague of Bremen; one son, Rickey "Rick" and Rhonda Carothers of Bremen; five sisters, Mildred Lind of South Bend, Connie and James Marshall of Bremen, Geneva and James McAffee of Plymouth, Janice Beane of Bremen, Joy and Paul Replogle of Bremen; four brothers, Vernon Carothers of Bremen; Noble and Helen Carothers of Bremen, Bill and Shirley Carothers of Bremen and Jack and Mary Carothers of Lakeville; eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. at Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen.

Services will be Tuesday, Sept. 11 at 10:30 a.m. At the funeral home with Pastor Gail Law officiating.

Burial will be at Bremen Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society of American Diabetes Association.

Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen, is in charge of arrangements. Condolences may be sent at
Jack Richard Eley  Date of Death 9/7/2007

BLUFFTON — Jack Richard Eley, 82, of Bluffton, died at 7:40 a.m. Friday, Sept. 7, 2007, at Christian Care Retirement Community.

He is survived by his wife, Patricia; daughters: Cherylee (Jerry) Flack of Bluffton, Janet Kay (Dennis) Hatfield of Magnolia, Texas and Terri Lynn (Richard) Wahl of Pandora, Ohio; seven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday at the First United Methodist Church in Bluffton. Visitation was from 2 to 8 p.m. Monday and is one hour prior to service at the church.

Burial will be at Elm Grove Cemetery. Military graveside honors will be performed by American Legion Post 111 and the U.S. Navy Honor Guard.

Memorials may be made to the Gideons or the Wells County YMCA.

Thoma/Rich, Hewitt & Chaney Funeral Home, Bluffton, is in charge of the arrangements.

Dollie M. Hepler  Date of Death 9/7/2007

HEBRON — Dollie M. Hepler, 84, of 14770 Hancock St., Hebron, passed away at 4:10 a.m. on Friday, Sept. 7, 2007, at Saint Anthony Hospital Hospice House in Crown Point.


Dollie was a member of the North Salem Church of God.

Dollie is survived by her daughters: Sarah and Leland Kyle of Hebron and Peg and Bob Miller of Kansasville, Wis.; her sisters: Joan Follin of Michigan City and Nancy Mast of Plymouth. Also surviving are six grandchildren.

Funeral services for Dollie will be held at 1 p.m. EDT on Saturday, Sept. 15, 2007 at the North Salem Church of God, 13263 4th Rd., Plymouth, IN 46563, with the Rev. Darrell Cardwell officiating. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

A time of visiting with Dollie's family, will be at the North Salem Church of God, from noon until the time of the funeral at 1 p.m. EDT

The Hepler family requests that memorial contributions, in Dollie's name, be given to the North Salem Church of God or to Saint Anthony Hospital Hospice House, 203 Francisco Drive, Crown Point, IN, 46301.

Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison St., Plymouth, IN, 46563, is handling the arrangements.

Friends are invited to sign the guest book and share memories of Dollie with her family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com

Elnora M. Soales  Date of Death 9/7/2007

BREMEN — Elnora M. Soales, 77, of Bremen, died Friday, Sept. 7 at 10:30 a.m. at Memorial Hospital of South Bend.
She is survived by her husband, Robert, of Bremen; two daughters, Donna (and fiancé, Doug Costas) Soales of Las Vegas, Nev. And Jane (Leroy) Reeder of Edwardsburg, Mich.; one son, Keith (Gloria) Soales of La Porte; seven grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; one sister, Marilyn (Wyman) Hostetler of Walkerton; and two brothers, Howard (June) Stuntz of Bremen and Hayward Stuntz of Plymouth.

Visitation was from 3 to 7 p.m. Sunday at Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen.

Services are Monday at 11 a.m. at Salem United Methodist Church, 302 W. Plymouth St., Bremen, with the Rev. Kevin T. Miller officiating.

Burial will be at Bremen Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Salem United Methodist Church.

The Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen, is in charge of arrangements. Condolences may be sent at www.mishlerfuneralhomes.com.


ROCHESTER — Barbara Ann Springer Upp, 64, of 320 Madison St., Rochester, died Sunday, Sept. 9, at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

She is survived by her husband, David Upp, at home, and one son, Jerry Upp of Rochester.

Private family services will be held at a later date.

Burial will be at Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

The Good Family Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Memorials may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County, Fulton County Historical Society or Fulton County Transpo.

Electronic condolences may be made at goodfamily@rtcol.com. This e-mail address is being protected from spam bots, you need JavaScript enabled to view it

Phil J. Wickey  Date of Death 9/9/2007

LONG BEACH, Calif. — Phil J. Wickey, 55, of Long Beach, Calif., passed away at 5 p.m. on Sept. 9, 2007, due to a work related accident.

Phillip was born in Plymouth on Dec. 22, 1952, to James “Pete” and Betty Wickey. He moved to Southern California in 1981 and was employed by the Department of Water and Power. On Oct. 8, 1988 Phil and Elizabeth were married. She survives, along with a son Scott and his wife Brook

Phillip is also survived by his mother, Betty Taylor of Elkhart; his father, James “Pete” Wickey of Plymouth; his sisters, Jill (Mark) Engle of Plymouth and Jennifer (William) McLaughlin of Hypoluxo, Fla.; his brothers: J. Gregory (Diana) Leafgreen-Jones of Atlanta, Ga., David Wickey of Tucson, Ariz. And Tom “Bomber” (Juanita) Wickey of Kentwood, Mich.

A memorial service will be held on Oct. 6, 2007 at 11 a.m. at the American Legion Post #27 in Plymouth.

Local arrangements are being handled by the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

The family requests that memorial contributions be given to the Timothy Hochstetler
You may sign the guest book and send messages of sympathy to Phil’s family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com.
Phil J. Wickey, 55, of Long Beach, Calif., formerly of Plymouth, died at 5 p.m. on Sept. 9, 2007 due to a work related accident.
A memorial service will be held Saturday, Oct. 6 at 11 a.m. at the American Legion Post #27 in Plymouth.
Memorial contributions may be given to the Timothy Hochstettler Scholarship Fund, c/o The Marshall Community Foundation, 2701 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, IN 46563.
Local arrangements are being handled by the Van Gilder Funeral Home, Plymouth.

**Richard Lee "Dick" Bammerlin  Date of Death 9/10/2007**

INVERNESS, Fla. — Richard Lee “Dick” Bammerlin, 72, of Inverness, Fla., died Monday, Sept. 10, at the Hospice House in Inverness, Fla.

Survivors include his wife, Joan; sons: Steven (Becky) Bammerlin of Elkhart, Kevin (Nancy) Bammerlin of Plymouth and James (Judy) Bammerlin of Daytona, Fla.; brother-in-law, Larry (Diana) Maxson of Bremen; sister-in-law, Linda (David) Rash of LaPaz; mother-in-law, Lucile Maxson of Plymouth; three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

There will be no visitation. His body will be cremated.

Heinz Funeral Home & Cremation, Inverness, is in charge of arrangements.

**Elizabeth K. "Bess" Carter  Date of Death 9/10/2007**


She is survived by a brother, John R. Carter of Plymouth.

Visitation is Friday, Sept. 14 from 10 a.m. to noon at St. Michael Catholic Church, Plymouth. Funeral services are Friday at noon at the church.

Burial will be at St. Michael Catholic Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorials may be made to the church or the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care.

Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, is in charge of the arrangements.

**Nicholas James Patterson  Date of Death 9/10/2007**

IRAQ — Sgt. Nicholas “Nick” James Patterson, 24, died Monday, Sept. 10, in Iraq, serving his country.

He is survived by his wife, Jayme (Saner) Patterson and his son, Reilley, both of Fayetteville, N.C.; his father and step-mother, James and Virginia Patterson, of Rochester; his mother and step-father, Jane and Scott Holmes, of Warsaw; a step-brother, Kyle McLochlin of Rochester; a sister Tai (Patterson) Johnson of Mishawaka; grandparents, Charles and Mollie Patterson, Seabring, Fla. And Larry Holmes, Alma, Mich. And Betty Hewett, Mishawaka. Also surviving are his “brothers” of 1-325 C-Troop with whom he took great pride in serving next to.

Viewing will be held at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 18, at the Rochester High School gymnasium. Services, including full military honors, will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 19 also at the Rochester High School gymnasium. A private, family burial will be held at the Akron Cemetery following the service.
A trust fund has been established at the 1st Source Bank of Rochester for his son. Memorials may be sent in care of Reilley Patterson Trust Fund to any 1st Source Bank location. Envelopes will be available at the visitation and funeral services.

Funeral arrangements are being handled by Earl-Love Funeral Home, 811 E. Rochester St., Akron.

Herminia R. "Minnie" Bustamante  Date of Death 9/11/2007

ROCHESTER — Herminia R. "Minnie" Bustamante, 76, of 4339 State Road 25 North, Rochester, passed away at 4:12 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2007, at Woodlawn Hospital in Rochester.

Minnie was born on June 17, 1931 in Gonzales, Texas, to Modesto and Juanita (Molinia) Rivera. On June 14, 1947 Minnie married Arthur J. Bustamante. They have been residents of the Plymouth area for 28 years, before moving to the Rochester area three years ago.

Minnie was a member of Saint Joseph Catholic Church in Rochester.

Minnie is survived by her loving husband, Arthur J. Bustamante of Rochester; their sons: Al and Barb Bustamante of Plymouth and Arthur J. Bustamante Jr. of Plymouth; their daughters: Anne and Frank Murrillo of Houston, Texas and Annette Zaragoza of Houston; Minnie’s brother, Alex Rivera of California; 16 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services for Minnie, will be held on Friday, Sept. 14, 2007 at 2 p.m. at Van Gilder Funeral Home with cremation will follow.

A time of visiting and sharing memories with the Bustamante family will be on Friday, Sept. 14, 2007 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison St., Plymouth, IN, 46563.

Memorial contributions, in Minnie’s name, may be made to the donor’s choice.

Friends may sign the guest book and share memories with the Bustamante family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com

Irene Enders  Date of Death 9/11/2007

PLYMOUTH — Irene Enders, 82, of Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth, formerly of Koontz Lake, passed away Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2007 in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth. Mrs. Enders was born Aug. 3, 1925 in Bedford to Haskell and Bessie (Neely) Garrette and lived in Plymouth for 10 years, coming from Koontz Lake. She was married to Louis Enders, who preceded her in death in 1974.

She was a former waitress at Oak Terrace Truck Stop in Grovertown for 25 years.

Survivors include: one sister, Rita Eddington of Grovertown; two brothers: James Smith of Mayport, Pa. and Robert Harvey of Galesburg, Mich.; many nieces and nephews and friends.

Funeral services will be Friday at 2 p.m. EDT at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel. Friends may call Thursday from 6 to 8 p.m. EDT and Friday one hour prior to the funeral service at the funeral home.

Floyd D. Hasting  Date of Death 9/11/2007

HAMLET — Floyd D. Hasting, 47, of Hamlet, died Tuesday, Sept. 11 at U.S. 30 and C.R. 750 East, Hamlet, from injuries suffered in an automobile accident.
He is survived by a son, Travis Hasting of Hamlet; mother, Betty Sinn of Hamlet; and brothers: Kenneth of Florida, Fred of Greencastle, Ray of Ora and Sam of Knox.

Visitation is Friday, Sept. 14 from 4 to 8 p.m. CDT and Saturday, Sept. 15 after 12 p.m. until the time of services at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel. Funeral services will be Saturday, Sept. 15 at 1 p.m. CDT at the funeral home. Burial will be at Fletcher Cemetery, Hamlet.

**William Hibbs  Date of Death 9/11/2007**

WALKERTON — William Hibbs, 85, formerly of Walkerton, died Tuesday, Sept. 11 at his residence in Cave City, Ark.

He is survived by two sons, Leroy Van Dusen of Argos and Raymond Van Dusen of Wheatridge, Colo.; four daughters, Dorothy Poledena of Niles, Mich., Lillian Cotton of Cave City, Ark., Pamela Stice of Cave City, Ark. And Sandra Norris of Batesville, Ark.

A graveside memorial service with military honors will be held Sept. 22 at 2 p.m. at Walkerton Woodlawn Cemetery.

Local arrangements have been entrusted to Nusbaum-Elkin Funeral Home.

**Joe R. Maze  Date of Death 9/11/2007**

ARGOS — Joe R. Maze, 84, of Argos, died Tuesday, Sept. 11 at 9:07 a.m. at home.

He is survived by his wife, Dona Maze of Argos; sons: Terry (Jennifer) Maze of Parker, Colo. And Jerry Alan Maze of Madison, Wis.; four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Thursday, Sept. 13 from 6 to 8 p.m. and one hour before the service Friday at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos.

Funeral services are Friday, Sept. 13 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos, with military graveside rites performed by James Lowell Corey, American Legion Post #68 of Argos.

**Geneva Licker  Date of Death 9/12/2007**

WINAMAC — Geneva Licker, 78, of Winamac, died Wednesday, Sept. 12 at Hickory Creek at Winamac.

She is survived by daughters: Hope Thomas of Culver and Judy (Mike) Morrow of Winamac; son, Guy (Kristin) Richie of Delphi; sisters: Hazel Dobson of Kentucky, Nokie Russell of Winamac, Virgie Mullins of Savanah, Tenn., Helen Jenczalik of Knox, Katherine Morse of Mishawaka, Annie Strange of Alabama, Utella Richie of Winamac, Sarah Jane Manns of Winamac, Matilda Fullerton of Seattle, Wash. And Linda Jean Russell of Winamac; brother, Bobby Howard Jr. of Winamac; 10 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Sunday, Sept. 16 from 2 to 6 p.m CDT at the O'Donnell Funeral Home, Inc. North Judson and after 10 a.m. CDT Monday, Sept. 17 at Denham Freewill Baptist Church, Denham.

Funeral services are Monday, Sept. 17 at 11 a.m. at the church.

Burial will be at Denham Cemetery.

**Richard R. Earl  Date of Death 9/14/2007**
COLUMBIA CITY — Richard R. Earl, 57, died at 4:20 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 14 at his home.

He is survived by his wife, Mary E. Earl of Columbia City; son, Richard R. (Pat) Earl of Columbia City; stepchildren: Michelle (Mark) Jackson of Albion, Curtis (Pam) Smith of Albion and Lisa Smith of Michigan; stepmother, Gladys Earl of Daleville; four grandchildren; two step grandchildren; brothers: James (Susie) Earl of Lakeville, Oscar (Fran) Earl of Georgia, Dennis (Susie) Kruse of Nappanee, Jack (Pauline) Borton of Pierceton and Lee Earl of Daleville; sisters, Jill (Ben) Pardue of Sullivan, Shelby (Robert) Smith of Middlebury, Rea Newkirk of Daleville and Jean Yoder of Kentucky; and sisters-in law: Carol Stevens of Broadview,Ohio, Peggy (Lon) Debold of New Haven and Michelle (Steve) Kolakowski of Garield Heights, Ohio.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, Sept. 29 at 1 p.m. at DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Park Funeral Home, 600 Countryside Drive, Columbia City.

Memorials may be given to the Earl Family Memorial Fund. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home.

Elizabeth M. Stull  Date of Death 9/14/2007

COLDWATER, MICH. — Elizabeth M. Stull, 86, of Coldwater, Mich., died Friday, Sept, 14.


Visitation is from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the Weicht Funeral Home, Angola.

Services are Thursday at 11 a.m. with Donna Brown officiating.

Burial will be at Barber Cemetery in Tyner.

Letty S. Masten  Date of Death 9/15/2007

PLYMOUTH — Letty S. Masten, 82, of 5th Road, Plymouth, passed away Saturday, Sept. 15, at 2:05 p.m. in her home.

Letty was born Nov. 14, 1924, in Culver, to Guy and Trella (Thompson) Kepler. Both her parents preceded her in death.


Letty was a 1942 graduate of Culver High School. She retired in 1990 from the Marshall County Extension Office, in Plymouth, where she was a secretary for 23 years. She was a member of the First United Church of Christ, in Plymouth.

Letty is survived by her son, Dan (Gloria Jean) of Plymouth; her grandchildren, Trella (Bobby) McGee, Fred (Melissa) Masten and Tammy (Dennis) Harrell; her great-grandchildren, Mike, Michaela, Branden and Shawn Masten, and Cora Ann McGee; her brother, Robert (Doris) Kepler of Culver; and her sisters, Jane (Cecil) Warner of Argos, and Helen Peer of Plymouth.

Another brother, John William Kepler preceded her in death.

Visitation will be at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, IN, 46563, on Tuesday, Sept. 18, from 4 to 7 p.m.

Funeral services will be at the Van Gilder Funeral Home Wednesday, Sept. 19, at 10:30 a.m.
with the Rev. Steven Volker, pastor of the First United Church of Christ, officiating.

Burial will be in the Maxinkuckee I.O.O.F. Cemetery, Culver.

Memorial gifts may be given to the First United Church of Christ, 321 N. Center St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

Friends and family are invited to share memories with Letty’s family, by signing the guest book at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com.

**Irene Pippenger  Date of Death 9/15/2007**

WAKARUSA — Irene Pippenger, 96, of Wakarusa, died at 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 15 at Miller’s Merry Manor, Wakarusa.

She is survived by a son, H. Lamar (Marvene) Pippenger of Nappanee; daughters: Mary (James) Rhoad of Goshen and Margaret (David) Lawrence of Newburgh; eight grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren and a brother, Franklin (Dorothy) Anglemyer of Wakarusa.

Visitation is Tuesday, Sept. 18 from 2 to 8 p.m. at the Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee, and one hour prior to services Wednesday at the Union Center Church of the Brethren.

Funeral services are Wednesday, Sept. 19 at 10:30 a.m. at the church.

Burial will be at Union Center Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Union Center Church of the Brethren or the Galilean Home.

**Allen B., Sr. Chesser  Date of Death 9/16/2007**

CULVER — Allen B. Chesser Sr., 79, of Culver passed away at 1:25 p.m. on Sept 16, 2007 at Miller's Merry Manor in Culver.

Allen was born on Oct 5, 1927 in Wheeling, W. Va., one of three children born to Arnold and Laura (Winter) Chesser.

Allen joined the US Army at the age of 16, proudly serving his country during the Occupational Forces and the Korean and Vietnam conflicts. He earned many awards and decorations for meritorious service to his country. While serving overseas, Allen fell in love and married Katharina Preywisch on Aug. 20, 1952 in Straubing, West Germany. They were blessed with two children.

After 26 years of service as a Command Sergeant Major, Allen retired from the Army. He worked for Young Door Co in Plymouth and later retired after many years as office manager.

Allen loved hunting and fishing and was a member of the Finney-Shilling VFW Post 6919 of Culver and the Collins-Tasch American Legion Post 399 of Monterey.

Allen is survived by his daughter, Frances Bowers of Flatrock, N.C.; son, Allen (Mary) Chesser Jr. of Culver; granddaughter, Emily (Andrew) Schouten of Rochester; and grandsons: Alex (Janel) Chesser of Otterbein and Carl Chesser of Kansas City, Mo.

Friends may join the family in remembering and celebrating Allen's life on Friday, Sept. 21, 2007 from 4 to 8 p.m. EDT at the Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver. Rev. Henry Sprunger will officiate funeral services on Sat. Sept. 22, 2007 at 10 a.m. EDT at the funeral home. Interment will follow at Culver Masonic Cemetery.
Russel D. Jones  Date of Death 9/16/2007

NAPPANEE — Russell D. Jones, 96, of Nappanee, died at 9:46 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 16 in his home.

Russell is survived by his wife, Mildred Walterhouse; two daughters, Joan Jones Cassell and husband Robert of West Lafayette and Judy Miller and husband Lonnie of Lafayette; 13 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, Sept. 20 at 11 a.m. In the Living Gospel Church in Nappanee. There will also be one hour of visitation at the church before the funeral services.

There will be a time of visiting and sharing memories with the family on Wednesday, from 5 to 8 p.m. at Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, 115 S. Main St., Bourbon.

Burial will follow in the Bremen Cemetery at Bremen.

Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home is in charge of local arrangements.

LaMar C. Metzler  Date of Death 9/16/2007

NAPPANEE — LaMar C. Metzler, 83, of Nappanee, died Sunday, Sept. 16 at 8 a.m. at his residence.

He is survived by his wife, Wilma Metzler; one son, Steve Metzler of Tempe, Ariz., two daughters, Val (Dennis) Yoder of Bremen and Teresa (Gary) Sather of Chandler, Ariz.; granddaughters Sarah Turner of Houston, Texas and Elizabeth Hite of Bremen; two great-grandchildren and a sister, Mary Alice (Donald) Plymale of Elkhart.

Visitation is Monday from 6 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to services at Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee.

Services are Tuesday at 10:30 a.m.

Burial will be at South Union Cemetery.

Military graveside services will be performed by the Nappanee American Legion.

Memorials may be made to the Nappanee United Methodist Church HOME or Riley Children's Hospital.

David R. Day  Date of Death 9/17/2007


He is survived by his fiance, Lori Fuentes; daughter, Tiphany N. Day; son, Aaron Day; mother, Roseleen Day of Macy; sister, Sianna (Jerry) Deeds of Macy; and brothers: Myron "Bud" (Barbara) Day of Chili, Rex Day of Dothan, Ala. And Robin (Pamela) Day of Rochester.

Visitation is Thursday, Sept. 20 from 5 to 9 p.m. and one hour prior to services in the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Funeral services are Friday, Sept. 21 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home.
Burial will be at Plainview Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the David R. Day Children Trust Fund or the Fulton County Cancer Society.

**Duane E. Bion  Date of Death 9/18/2007**

BREMEN — Duane E. Bion, 68, of Bremen, formerly of Elkhart, died at 1:15 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 18 at home.
There will be no services.

Burial will be at Rice Cemetery, Elkhart.

The Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen, is in charge of the arrangements.

**Edna Mae Klingerman  Date of Death 9/18/2007**

PLYMOUTH – Edna Mae Klingerman, 86, died at 4:51 a.m. at her daughter and son-in-laws, Pattie Jo and Donald DeMunck’s home in Edwardsburg, Mich., on Tuesday, Sept. 18, 2007.

Born in Plymouth, on Jan. 19, 1921, Edna was the daughter of Orval and Della Rush Harris.

On Dec. 31, 1955, in Warsaw, Edna and Lewis Klingerman were married. Lewis died on Nov. 9, 1999.

A resident of Plymouth for 79 years, Edna Mae worked at McCord’s as a core builder for 38 years. She retired in 1982.

Her one great love was selling at the Paw, Paw, Mich. Flea market with her daughter. She also enjoyed going to retirees’ dinners every month at Ponderosa.

Edna Mae is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Pattie Jo and Donald R. DeMunck, Edwardsburg, Mich., and by four granddaughters. They are: Cindy McKee, Elkhart; Debbie Rivera, Plymouth; Marilyn Hunt, Lumberton, N.C. and Mallisa Clapza, Lumberton, N.C.

And two grandsons, Stonie Ray of Lumberton, N.C., Danny Graham, South Bend survive as well, together with four great-granddaughters, 10 great-grandsons, eight great-great-granddaughters and 18 great-great-grandsons.

Edna was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, a daughter, Carol Sue Britt, a sister, Helen Barkmeier and a brother, Harvey Harris.

Friends are invited to share memories and celebrate the life of Edna Mae Klingerman by her family on Thursday, Sept. 20, 2007, from 4 to 8 p.m. and after 7 a.m. on Friday Sept. 21, 2007 in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Edna will be held in the funeral home at 11 a.m. on Friday, Sept. 21, 2007. The Rev. Charles Krieg, will officiate.

Burial will be in the Bremen Cemetery, Bremen.

Memorial gifts in Edna’s memory may be made to Hospice.

Letters of condolence to the family may be sent via the funeral home’s Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com
Robert L. Palmer  Date of Death 9/18/2007

SOUTH BEND — Robert L. Palmer, 53, of 2222 East Washington St., South Bend, passed away at 1:29 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 18, 2007 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center in South Bend.

Robert was born on March 10, 1954 in Plymouth, to Ormand and Margaret Catherine (Jones) Palmer.

Robert was a resident of Plymouth before moving to Elkhart in 1973. While in Plymouth he worked, with his father and grandfather, as an electrician's helper. After moving to Elkhart he worked for A.D.E.C. Industries. Upon retiring he moved to South Bend. Robert enjoyed country music, sports, western novels and going out for coffee. He will be sadly missed by his many friends.

Robert was preceded in death by his father, Ormand Palmer and his grandparents, Edith and Harley Palmer. He survived by his step-mother Bertha Palmer, of Elkhart.

Funeral services will be on Monday, Sept. 24, 2007 at 2:30 p.m. at the VAN GILDER FUNERAL HOME. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

A time of visiting and sharing memories, of Robert, will be on Sunday, Sept. 23, 2007 from 3 to 5 p.m. at the VAN GILDER FUNERAL HOME, 300 West Madison St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

Friends and family are invited to share memories with Bobby's family and sign the guest book at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com.

Lee Dallas  Date of Death 9/19/2007

NAPPANEE — Lee Dallas, 73, of Nappanee, died at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 19 at home.

She is survived by daughters: Kathy Dallas of Nappanee, Jodi Wardlow of Milford and Kristi Komon of Nappanee; 13 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and daughter-in-law, Margie Dallas of Kendallville.

Burial took place Thursday at Olive West Cemetery, Wakarusa. Visitation is Sunday, Sept. 23 from 5 to 7 p.m. at Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee, followed by a memorial service at 7 p.m.

Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association.

Helen Marie Haines  Date of Death 9/19/2007

PLYMOUTH — Helen Marie Haines, 80, 141 Elliott Ave., Plymouth, an area resident all of her life, excepting for periods in Louisville, Ky., and South Bend, died of natural causes at 2:20 p.m. in the Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, South Bend, on Wednesday, Sept. 19, 2007.

Born in Plymouth on Nov. 1, 1926, Helen was the daughter of Harry F. and Cecilia B. (Hartman) Brundige.

She attended LaPaz Schools and graduated from Plymouth High School with the class of 1945.

On Aug. 17, 1946, in Plymouth, Helen and Thomas M. Haines were married. Thomas died on May 7, 1991.

For the better part of Helen’s working career, she enjoyed serving the community as a grocery clerk. She worked at the Lake Avenue Food Market, Dave’s Supermarket and Glaubs’ G&G.
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She also worked in the Norwesco plant for a brief period of time.

Helen loved flowers and enjoyed working out of doors, especially gardening which she learned by running the greenhouse at the family’s Brundige A1 Gardens on the Plymouth-Goshen Road.

Helen is survived by a son, Thomas W. Haines and his fiance, Georgia Schneider. A sister-in-law, Darlene Brundige, a niece, Connie (Cecil) Ottow, all of Plymouth and a nephew, Harold (Sarah) Davidson, Elkhart, and their families, survive as well.

She is preceded in death by her spouse; two sisters: Ilene Davidson and Juanita Ivins; and a brother, Forrest V. Brundige.

Friends are invited to celebrate Helen’s life with her family on Friday, Sept. 21, 2007, from 4 to 8 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth. A Rosary will be prayed at 7:30 p.m. in the funeral home.

The Mass of Christian Burial will be held for Helen at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, September 22, 2007, in St. Michael’s Roman Catholic Church, 613 N. Center St., Plymouth, where Helen was a member. The Rev. Father William Kummer will officiate.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Helen’s memory may be made to St. Michael’s Parish.

Letters sharing memories of Helen may be sent to the family via www.johnson-danielson.com

Alice B. Munroe  Date of Death 9/19/2007

PLYMOUTH - Alice B. Munroe, 86, living at 15227 Yorkshire Drive, Plymouth, since May 2004, having come from Belmont, Mass., died unexpectedly of natural causes in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth, at 8:50 a.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 19, 2007.

Born in Cambridge, Mass., on March 26, 1921, she was the daughter of John P. and Margaret T. (Riordan) Mulqueeny.

She graduated from St. John’s High School in Cambridge, Mass., with the class of 1939, and then completed studies at Mt. Auburn School of Nursing, also in Cambridge.

Alice served as a Navy nurse in World War II. She tended to then Lt. John F. Kennedy who was injured in the Solomon Islands on Aug. 2, 1943, when his PT-109 was sliced in half by a Japanese destroyer.

After the War, on January 18, 1947, in Cambridge, Alice and Charles L. Munroe were married in St. John’s Roman Catholic Church. Charles died on April 13, 1980.

Alice applied her position as a Registered Nurse in various ways serving the community. She retired in 1982.

Very artistic, she enjoyed oil painting nature scenes. She loved to read and work crossword puzzles. Known to her family as a very “classy lady” she enjoyed dancing with her husband and being a part of family gatherings.

Alice is survived by three daughters and three sons.

Her daughters are: Paula M. (Ronald) Babcock, Sr., Lenore Munroe, and Mary C. (Vernon) Spoor all of Plymouth.

Her sons are Charles L. (Karen) Munroe, Sr., Concord, N.H.: John P. (Nancy) Munroe, Holden,
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Mass., and James R. (Cheryl) Munroe, Mt. Gilead, Ohio.

Eleven grandchildren and one great-grandchild also survive together with a sister, Pauline R. Mulqueeny of Plymouth and several nieces and nephews.

Alice was preceded in death by her spouse, and two sisters, Margaret Mulqueeny and Lenore P. Bowman

Friends will be welcomed by her family to celebrate the life of Alice Munroe on Saturday, Sept. 22, 2007, from 2 to 3 p.m. at St. Michael’s Roman Catholic Church, 613 N. Center, Plymouth, where she was a member.

A Mass of Christian Burial will follow visitation at 3 p.m. on Saturday in the church. The Rev. Father William Kummer will officiate.

Military honors will be accorded Alice following Mass outside the church.

Burial will be in St. John’s Cemetery in Cambridge, Mass.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in Alice's memory may be made to St. Michael’s Catholic School – Playground Development Fund.

The Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements for the family.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family through the Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com

Crystal Grace Waechter  Date of Death 9/19/2007

AKRON — Crystal Grace Waechter, 99, 111 E. Walnut St., Akron, died at 12:35 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 19, 2007 at her residence.

Born in Miami County, the second of Elmer and Glee Butt Fites’ eight children, she attended Frog Pond grade school and Gilead High School before graduating from Deedsville High School. She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Manchester College in 1929 and later attended Butler and Ball State universities.

She married Walter D. Waechter on Nov. 30, 1933 at the Ebenezer Methodist Church. He preceded her in death on June 25, 1981.

She retired in 1970 after a 34-year career as a teacher of Latin, English and mathematics at Gilead, Shipshewana and Akron high schools but continued to tutor students at home for many years after that. She delighted in attending class reunions, attending her last one in 2005 at the age of 97.

A 74-year member of the Akron United Methodist Church where she served as a Sunday school teacher, president of the board of trustees and secretary of the memorial fund, she also served on the Akron Library Board and was a charter member of the Amicus Club. She belonged to the Indiana Retired Teachers Association, Delta Kappa Gamma teacher’s sorority, the Akron Women’s Club and the Jolliette and Martez clubs. She and her husband were life members of the euchre club. As a member of the Fulton County Community Foundation, she established the Walter D. Waechter and Grace C. Fites Waechter and Family Fund to support the Akron Cemetery Association and the Akron Carnegie Public Library.

She spent her retirement years in her home of 73 years enjoying bridge, euchre, crocheting, afghan making, quilting and visiting friends and neighbors. Nothing made her happier than to receive a letter from one of her former students.
She is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Barbara and Dean Rager of Plymouth; a granddaughter, Christa McKinney Smith; three step-grandchildren: Pam McFarland, René Rosen and Del Rager; five step-great-grandchildren; two sisters: Evelyn Schipper of Akron and Mary Weirick of Mexico.

Preceding her in death were her husband; parents; three brothers: Ralph, Paul and Jim Fites; two sisters: Ruth Bammerlin and Normaleen Wagner; son-in-law, 1st Lt. Neil B. McKinney, a member of the U.S. Air Force who died in Vietnam; and a step-granddaughter, Judy Rager.

Services will be at 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 22, 2007 at the Akron United Methodist Church with Pastor Karen Ottjes officiating. Visitation will be Saturday from 10 a.m. until the time of the service. Burial will be in the Akron Cemetery.

Memorials to the Walter D. Waechter and Grace C. Waechter Family Fund can be made to the Northern Indiana Community Foundation, 800 Main St., Rochester, IN or to the Akron United Methodist Church.

The Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron, is in charge of arrangements.

Joan Eva Nethercutt  Date of Death 9/21/2007

PLYMOUTH — Joan Eva Nethercutt, 74, died Friday, Sept. 21.

She is survived by her step-sons, Frank Nethercutt of LaPaz and Glen Nethercutt of Lakeville; sister Shirley Carpenter of Morristown, Tenn.; and brothers, Phillip Richard and Steven Richard, both of Plymouth.

Visitation is Monday, Sept. 24 from 5 to 7 p.m. at Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Services are Tuesday at 10 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at New Oakhill Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Plymouth Wesleyan Church.

George E., Sr. Garner  Date of Death 9/22/2007

ARGOS — George E. Garner Sr., 78, of Argos, died at 5:27 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 22 at home.

He is survived by daughters: Nancee (Jon) Mikel of Kimmell, Connie (Will) Smith of Ripley, N. Y. and Becky Thornburg-Abair of Plymouth; sons: George (Linda) Garner Jr. of Willis, Texas and James Garner of Monterey; stepdaughters: Alberta (Manuel) Garrison of Granger, Madonna (Jack) Wilkinson of Memphis, Tenn. And Wuanita (Larry) Smith of Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif.; stepson, Perry Lee (Lisa) Haynes of Mateno, Ill.; 32 grandchildren; 50 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; sisters: Wilma Stevenson of Knox and Elizabeth Cox of South Bend; and brothers: Paul Beaver of Culver, Bill Beaver of Koontz Lake and Bob Beaver of Illinois.

Visitation is Wednesday, Sept. 26 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

Funeral services are Thursday, Sept. 27 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at the Jordon Cemetery, Argos, with military graveside rites performed by James Lowell Corey, American Legion Post #68, Argos.

Memorials may be made to the American Diabetes Association, Plymouth Office, 10872 Queen Rd., Plymouth, IN 46563.
Herbert Allen Holsinger  Date of Death 9/22/2007

WALKERTON — Herbert Allen Holsinger, 89, of Bremen Health Care Center, formerly of Walkerton, died Saturday, Sept. 22 in Bremen.

He is survived by three daughters, Myrna (Lynn) Stull of Walkerton, Norma (Mike) Corbett of Walkerton and Pat (Leroy) Whitaker of Three Rivers, Mich.; one son, Jeffrey Holsinger of West Terre Haute; two sisters, Naomi Lantz of Pennsylvania and Olive Pierce of Lafayette; and one brother, Wilbur Holsinger of Washington.

Visitation is Tuesday from 5 to 8 p.m. (E.T.) at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel.

Funeral services will be Wednesday at 11 a.m. (E.T.) at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel. Burial will take place in the Woodlawn Cemetery, Walkerton, where military graveside services will be conducted.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, Indiana Chapter, at 1261 W. 86th St., Suite E-2, Indianapolis, IN 46260.

Susan Genelle Kaster  Date of Death 9/22/2007

PLYMOUTH — Susan Genelle Kaster of Plymouth, died Saturday, Sept. 22 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, South Bend.

She is survived by her spouse, Rev. William R. Kaster and their four children: Mary Kaster of Sebastopol, Calif., Michael (Daniell) Kaster of Indianapolis, Peter Kaster of Plymouth and Rebecca Kaster of Michigan City; and two grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Sunday, Sept. 30 at 4 p.m. EDT at Trinity United Methodist Church, 425 S. Michigan St., Plymouth. A time of fellowship will follow for family and friends.

Memorial donations may be made to Trinity United Methodist for the Royal Family Kids Camp (www.rfkc.org/).

The Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, is assisting with the arrangements.

PLYMOUTH — Susan Genelle Kaster of Plymouth, died Sept. 22. She was the daughter of Harold and Leah Grier of Marion, Susan attended Indiana University where she met and married her husband of 43 years, the Rev. William R. Kaster, on Sept. 6, 1964.

Susan received her Bachelor and Masters Degrees in social work from Valparaiso University. She served the children of Portage Township Schools in Portage, and the East Noble Schools in Kendallville. She was a counselor for RISE services in Angola, and the Northeastern Center in Kendallville. Her devoted service to children was also expressed through Special Olympics, Royal Family Kids Camp, and the School of Christian Missions.

Her legacy of service will be remembered by her community and her family: William (husband and father) and their four children, Mary Kaster (Sebastopol, Calif.), Michael and his wife Daniell Kaster (Indianapolis), Peter Kaster (Plymouth), and Rebecca Kaster (Michigan City) and her two children, Gavin and Eric.

A service of Christian resurrection and a celebration of her life will be held Sunday, Sept. 30, 4 p.m. EDT, at Trinity United Methodist Church, 425 S. Michigan St., Plymouth.

A time of fellowship will follow for family and friends.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Trinity United Methodist for the Royal Family Kids Camp (www.rfkc.org/).
Leota F. "Lee" Boudreau  Date of Death 9/24/2007

PLYMOUTH – Leota F. "Lee" Boudreau, 725 E. Victoria St., South Bend, died of natural causes in Memorial Hospital, South Bend, at 11:50 a.m. on her 87th birthday, Monday, Sept. 24, 2007.

Leota spent her lifetime learning about new things and meeting new people. She remained very active and always maintained an interest in current events.

Born in Viewfield, Saskatchewan, Canada, on Sept. 24, 1920, Leota was the daughter of Lee Osmer and Celina Mary Charlotte (LeCocq) Stuckey.

She graduated from Donovan, Ill. High School with the class of 1939.


During World War II, Leota was a “Rosy the Riveter,” making airplanes parts on the assembly line.

In 1962 the family moved to Plymouth and in 1964, she graduated from the Logansport Beauty College. She also worked as a waitress before operating a successful beauty shop in her home, “Lee’s Beauty Salon,” until her retirement in 1981.

It was then that she and Frank moved back to Momence. Following the death of Frank on March 1, 1995, Leota moved to South Bend in 1997. There she became a member of the Sunnyside Presbyterian Church and was involved in the Ladies Circle.

A nature lover, she enjoyed feeding and watching birds, gardening and canning vegetables. She made as heirlooms, hand sequined Christmas stockings for her 15 grand and great-grandchildren.

A loyal Cubs fan, she served on the first Blueberry Festival Committee and was a member of the Momence Women’s Club and participated in the Gladiola Flower Show.

Leota is survived by two daughters and their families.

They are: Patricia Ann and Roger Heninger, Grant Park, Ill., and their children: Alan R. (Lorene) Heninger, Brookfield, Ill.: David M. (Julie) Heninger, Grant Park, Ill., and Dawn M. (Ed) Kinstner, Momence, Ill.

Pamela Kaye Boudreau, with whom she made her home resides in South Bend.

Six great-grandchildren also survive: Alan and Lorene’s children, Alicia and Madison; David and Julie’s son, Alex; and Dawn and Ed’s children: Jordan, Kaylie and Cody.

Leota’s twin sister, Lavella Arp of Momence, Ill., also survives together with two sisters in Watseka, Ill.: Ella Haberkorn and Dorothy Knoblauch and a brother, Gerald (Roberta) Stuckey of Martinton, Ill.

Several nieces and nephews survive as well.

Leota was preceded in death by two brothers; Clarence and Isadore Stuckey.

Visitation for Leota Boudreau will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.  (CDT) on Thursday, Sept. 27, 2007,
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at the Cotter Funeral Home, 224 E. Washington St. in Momence, Ill.

Funeral services will follow at 1 p.m. (CDT) in the funeral home. Pastor James B. Miller of the Sunnyside Presbyterian Church of South Bend will officiate.

The Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth is assisting the family with local arrangements.

Interment will be in Kankakee Memorial Gardens, Kankakee, Ill.

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

Letters of condolence and the sharing of memories may be sent to the family via www.johnson-danielson.com

Emily Bravo  Date of Death 9/24/2007

BOURBON — Emily Bravo, 9, of Bourbon, died at 4:04 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 24 from injuries she suffered in an automobile accident on U.S. 30 in Starke County.

She is survived by her parents, Vicende and Amada Bravo; a sister, Julissa and a brother, Emmanuel, all of Bourbon.

A memorial service to celebrate Emily’s life will be held Sunday, Sept. 30 at 7 p.m. in the Bourbon First United Methodist Church. Visitation is one hour before the services in the church.

Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, Bourbon, is in charge of local arrangements.

Darlene May Grossman  Date of Death 9/24/2007


She is survived by daughters: Tammy Grossman of Goshen, Katherine Wilcox of Granger and Brenda Moore of Plymouth; sons: Ivan Grossman Jr. and John Grossman, both of Plymouth and David Grossman of Milford; 14 grandchildren; four step-grandchildren; one step-great-grandchild; one great-grandchild; sisters: Eunice Elder of Toto, Marilyn Gullans of Knox and Mary Bailey of Hamlet; and brothers: Don Coffin of Grovertown, Warren Coffin of Kentucky and Howard Coffin of Hamlet.

Visitation is Thursday, Sept. 27 from 4 to 8 p.m. CDT and Friday one hour prior to the service at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel.

Funeral services are Friday, Sept. 28 at 12 p.m. CDT at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Fletcher Cemetery, Hamlet.

Marjorie J. Parsons  Date of Death 9/24/2007

PLYMOUTH — Marjorie J. Parsons, 81, of Parkview Street in Plymouth, passed away at Pilgrim Manor Nursing Home at 3 p.m. Monday, Sept. 24, 2007 of natural causes. Marjorie was born April 14, 1926 to the late Arthur and Gladys (Compton) Haviland.

Surviving are her children, John (Theresa) Parsons of South Bend, Jim Parsons and Lenny (Jeanne) Parsons, both of Plymouth and Nancy (Tom) Eisle of Nappanee. Marjorie is also survived by nine grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren and two nephews. Marjorie was preceded in death by her sister, Betty Lowe.

Services for Mrs. Parsons will be private. Chapel Hill Funeral Home in Osceola is handling
Marjorie was a graduate of South Bend Adams High School. She was employed as a cook for more than 25 years with Lil’ and Vern’s and the Ewing Café in South Bend. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be sent to Pilgrim Manor Nursing Home, 222 Park St. Plymouth, IN 46563. Online condolences may be sent to the Parsons family at www.chapelhillmemorial.com

**Glea R. Smith  Date of Death 9/24/2007**

SOUTH BEND — Glea R. Smith, 86, a resident of Timbercrest Senior Living Community, North Manchester, formerly of South Bend, died Monday, Sept. 24, 2007, in her daughter’s home in Mishawaka.

Glea was born May 8, 1921, on the family farm near Walkerton to Byron and Edith Rupel, the third of five daughters. She graduated from Walkerton High School and earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Education from Manchester College in 1943.

She began her professional career teaching math and physics for two years at Argos High School during WWII, then married Lee Smith Jr., June 12, 1945 at the Pine Creek Church of the Brethren, rural route North Liberty.

Along with her husband, she raised five children, and said being a mother was her favorite job. Being involved in service to others was important to the couple. They took their growing family to Puerto Rico for two summers and later for six years while serving with the Brethren Service Project at Castañer Hospital.

From Castañer the family moved to San Juan where Glea taught fifth grade at Robinson School for three years. Upon returning to South Bend in 1970, Glea assisted her husband in his ophthalmology practice, serving variously as bookkeeper, receptionist, office manager, and optical dispenser. The couple’s interest in service was reflected in the way they related to their patients.

In 1999 Glea returned to her favorite work as nanny to her youngest grandson, Elijah.

Glea enjoyed family, friends at work and church, crossword puzzles and other brain teasers, walking, and reading. She was a lifelong member of the Church of the Brethren and was interested in peace, transporting youth to On Earth Peace seminars in New Windsor, Maryland for many years. She enjoyed attending the Church of the Brethren Annual Conference. Other interests included nutrition, alternative medicine, and spirituality. She was patient, loving, creative, positive in attitude, and a good listener and conversationalist.

Survivors include her husband, Dr. Lee Smith Jr.; a son, Byron Lee (Eloise) Smith of Bourbon; three daughters, Carol Smith of South Bend, Dr. Janice Smith of Mishawaka, and Amy J. (James P.) Brumbaugh-Smith of North Manchester; three sisters, Annabel Rupel and Esther Rupel, both of North Manchester, Alice Rohrer of North Lima, Ohio; seven grandchildren, Leon, Mark, and Anna Smith, Alexander Smith Liby, Elijah Smith, and Jacob and Claire Brumbaugh-Smith; and 30 nieces and nephews. Glea was preceded in death by her parents, her sister Lois Tuinstra, and her son David Smith.

Glea’s body was donated to Northwestern School of Medicine.

Memorial services will be held at Prince of Peace Church of the Brethren in South Bend at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 14, with visitation at 1 p.m., and at Timbercrest Chapel in North Manchester at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 21, with visitation at 1:30 p.m.

Memorial contributions may be made to Manchester College or to your favorite charity. Palmer Funeral Home-River Park, South Bend assisted the family with arrangements.
Janet A. Gregory Bean  Date of Death 9/25/2007

PLYMOUTH — Janet A. Gregory Bean, 59, of Plymouth, died Tuesday, Sept. 25 in Plymouth.

She is survived by her husband, Richard N. Bean of Plymouth; son, Jeffrey Bean of Hobart; brother, Robert (Barbara) Gregory of Donaldson; and half sisters: Patricia Samples and Pamela Conner, both of Alabama.

Visitation is Thursday, Sept. 27 from 4 to 8 p.m. and Friday, Sept. 28 after 7 a.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth.

Funeral services are Friday, Sept. 28 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Nathan E. Collins  Date of Death 9/26/2007

BOURBON — Nathan E. Collins, 18 years old and a resident of 711 E. Center St. Bourbon, passed away Wednesday, Sept. 26 in his home after a courageous battle with cancer.

Nathan was born the son of Gary J. and Rosemary Yockey Collins in Bremen, on May 31, 1989. He was a senior at Triton High School and a resident of the community all his life.

He loved golfing and spending time with his friends and family. He and his family attended the Riverside United Methodist Church.

Nathan is survived by his parents, his two sisters; Danielle Collins and Jeanna Collins, both at home, his maternal grandmother, Mary Jean Yockey, and numerous aunts and uncles.

Services were held Saturday in his church and burial followed in the Pleasant Hill Cemetery at Bourbon.

The family requests any memorial contributions be made to the Marshall County Community Foundation, Nathan Collins Scholarship, in his memory.

Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home is in charge of local arrangements.

Eldon G. Clark  Date of Death 9/27/2007

GOSHEN — Eldon G. Clark, 85 of Goshen, died Thursday, Sept. 27 in the Goshen General Hospital.

He is survived by a daughter, Reva (Donald) Noel of Goshen; son, Larry (Betty) Clark of Fort Wayne; four grandchildren; 11-great grandchildren; and one great-great-grandson.

A graveside service at Westlawn Cemetery, North Liberty, is pending.

Palmer Funeral Home, Lakeville, is handling the arrangements.

Jack Denton  Date of Death 9/28/2007

ROCHESTER — Jack Denton, 67, of Rochester, died at 5:05 a.m. Sept. 28 at Life Care Center of Rochester.

He is survived by sisters: Julia Wagner of Green Bay, Wis., Virginia “Sis” Heady of Rochester and June Ann Carson of Everett, Wash.; and brother, Bob Denton of Kewanna.
A memorial service will be at 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 20 in the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.
Jack’s body was donated to the Indiana University School of Medicine.
Memorials may be made to Manitou Training Center of Rochester.

**Marilyn Jane Gilmer  Date of Death 9/29/2007**

BREMEN — Marilyn Jane Gilmer, 83, of Bremen, died Saturday, Sept. 29 at the Community Hospital of Bremen. Survivors include one daughter, Irma (Saul) Frank of Saddlebrook, Ariz.; two grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; one brother: John D. (Shirley) Smith; two sisters: Laveda Ellis of Denver, N.C. and Ann Gilbert of Elkhart; and sister-in-law, June Smith of Bremen.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 3 at the Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen. Burial will follow at the Bremen Cemetery. Visitation will be held from 11 a.m. until time of services on Wednesday, Oct. 3 at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, 111 Sunnybrook Ct., South Bend, IN 46637.

**John Franklin Border  Date of Death 9/30/2007**

BOURBON — John Franklin Border, 101, passed away Sunday, Sept. 30, 2007 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center in Plymouth.


John was a lifetime Bourbon resident. He was a farmer and owned and operated Border’s Hatchery and Border TV Service for many years.

Survivors are two sons: Robert and wife Zada Border, and Jerry and wife Mari Lynn Border all of Bourbon. His two daughters: Sarah and husband Don Feldman of South Bend and Shirley and husband Ellsworth Everest of Warsaw. His faithful caregiver for the past five years was Millie Myers. John was blessed with seven grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren and two step-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services to celebrate John’s life will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 3 at 11 a.m. in Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home with Rev. Robert Vale officiating.

The family will receive friends from 9 a.m. until the time of the services on Wednesday at the funeral home.

Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home is in charge of local arrangements.

**Wauneta Patterson Martin  Date of Death 9/30/2007**

BREMEN — Born in Bremen Oct. 28, 1916 to Goldie Mae (Hanes) and Charles Everett Patterson, Wauneta Patterson Martin from Bremen “went to be with her Savior” early Sunday morning, Sept. 30, 2007 at the age of 90.

She was rehabilitating from a stroke.

After attending first grade in Bremen her parents moved to Bourbon Township and then to the town of Bourbon where she remained a lifelong resident.

A graduate of Bourbon High School, class of 1934, Wauneta remained in contact with her classmates throughout her life.
June 23, 1935 was the wedding day of Wauneta and her beloved husband, Harold K. Martin, and in 1947, their son was born, Michael Max.

From her high school years through the late 30s, Wauneta worked at Kraft Tearoom in busy downtown Bourbon, and in he early to mid 40s, she was an assistant to Mr. Burt Harris at the Bourbon News-Mirror. As a stay-at-home mom, Wauneta served the community through the Bourbon Progress Club of which she was a founding and final member.

In the mid-60s, Wauneta re-entered the work world and retired from the Plymouth Parkview Hospital lab as Secretary bookkeeper in 1988.

Wauneta's family worshiped at the Fairview United Brethren Church Bourbon, and the Bourbon First EUB, which merged with the First Methodist Church. She has been a faithful member of the First United Methodist Church, Bourbon, since the merger.

Wauneta was preceded in death by her brother William in 1944 and her husband in 1994. She is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Michael and Nila Martin and two grandchildren, Cindy (and Steve) Livingston, Indianapolis, and Dan Evans, Detroit. A great-grandchild, Alexander Livingston, was born in May of 2007. She is also survived by her brother and sister-in-law, Max and Annette Patterson of Pullman, Washington.

Wauneta's joy was in the love that she shared with others — family, early friends, school friends, work friends, business friends, community friends and neighbors, church friends, old friends, lasting friends and new friends. Her affections and appreciations of that love amplified in the blessedness of her neighbors and friends, Jeff and Karen Worsham, and the kindness and compassion of the Plymouth Hospital nurses, all the folks at Bremen's Doctor's Hospital who allowed her to live out the abundant life that Christ offers.

Burial will be private in the Sand Ridge Cemetery at Bourbon.

A Memorial Service to celebrate Wauneta's life will be held on Sunday, Oct. 7 at 2:30 p.m.in the Bourbon First United Methodist Church with Rev. Mark Day officiating.

Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home is in charge of local arrangements.

**Chester Landis  Date of Death 10/2/2007**

BREMEN — Chester Landis, 85, of Bremen, died at 9:57 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 2, 2007 at home

Survivors include his wife, Hester of Bremen; daughter, Deborah (Richard) Jeter of Indianapolis; daughter-in-law: Maria Landis of Houston, Texas; three grandsons; and three great-grandsons.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, Oct. 5 at the Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen. Visitation is from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 4 at the funeral home.

Burial will be at the Bremen Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Autism Society of America, American Cancer Society or the American Heart Association.

**Shirley JoAnn Trapp  Date of Death 10/3/2007**

ROCHESTER — Shirley JoAnn Trapp, 71, of Rochester, died at 4:45 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 3 at home. She was born Aug. 14, 1936 in White County to John Chester and Mable Bailey Young. On June 16, 1984 in Carroll County, she married Meredith “Butch” Trapp.

She was a homemaker and had worked at Ristance in Argos, a bank in Culver and Kroger of
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Rochester. She retired from Daimler Chrysler after 11 years. She was a member of the 1st Church of God in Rochester and the Farm Bureau. She was also a member of the Logansport F.O.E. and the United Auto Workers. She played Bunco, enjoyed sewing and collecting dolls. She cherished the time spent with her grandchildren.

She is survived by her husband, Meredith “Butch” Trapp; daughter, Dawn (David) Mann of Plymouth; sons: Jeff (Barb) Mishler of Avon and Kurt Mishler of Culver; 10 grandchildren: Charity, Emily, Jill, Aaron, Raena, Dana, Josh, Dennis, Sarah and Harrison; sister, Norma Braden of Rochester; brothers: Dick (Lois) Nilson of Twelve Mile and Stephen (Betty) Olinger of Nappanee; and nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and brothers: Jim Young and Ronnie Young.

Visitation is Thursday, Oct. 4 from 2 to 4 and 5 to 8 p.m. and from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Funeral services are Friday, Oct. 5 at 1 p.m. at the funeral home. Rev. Larry Dodge will officiate.

Burial will be at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the American Liver Foundation and to the Crippled Children’s Foundation.

Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com This e-mail address is being protected from spam bots, you need JavaScript enabled to view it


LAPORTE — Ralph R. Burch, 84, of LaPorte, died at 4:20 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 4 at LaPorte Hospital.

He is survived by a sister, Rose Ann Hampshire of New Carlisle; friend, Lorna Cooksey of LaPorte; and two nephews: Raymond Charles Wade and Steven Joseph (Teresa) Wade, all of New Carlisle.

Funeral services are Monday, Oct. 8 at 11 a.m. CDT at the First United Methodist Church, LaPorte.

Burial will be at the New Carlisle Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the First United Methodist Church, 1229 Michigan Ave., LaPorte, IN 46350.

Cutler Funeral Home, LaPorte, is in charge of the arrangements.

Everett T. Zink  Date of Death 10/5/2007

PLYMOUTH — Everett T. Zink, 89, of Plymouth, and formerly of Anderson, passed away Oct. 5, 2007 at the Catherine Kasper Life Center in Plymouth after an extended illness.

He was born August 21, 1918 in Rochester and graduated from Akron High School and attended Ball State Teachers College. He served in the US Army from 1942 to 1946 and was stationed in Ipswich, Queensland, Australia where he met his wife Patricia of 57 years. He resided in Anderson for 38 years and had worked for Sears for 35 years before retiring and moving to Plymouth.

He was a member of Bethany Christian Church in Anderson, president of the Anderson High School Band Boosters and held offices in the Babe Ruth and White River Leagues. He enjoyed
He is survived by two sons, Lee (wife, Judy) Zink of Plant City, Fla., and Ray (wife, Patty) Zink of Punta Gorda, Fla.; a daughter, Sharon (husband, Chris) Collins of Plymouth; seven grandchildren, Ryan (wife Amy) Zink and Regan Zink of Orlando, Fla.; Rich Janzaruk of Bedford; Erin (husband, Matt) Jones of Orlando, Fla.; Lauren Zink and her fiancé Rob Sporillo of North Port, Fla., Cory (wife, Elizabeth) Collins and Cameron Collins of Plymouth; three great grandchildren, Zoe and Riley Zink and Logan Collins; sister-in-law, Joann Zink.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Patricia M. Zink in 2001; parents, William and Jesse (Lemon) Zink; brothers, Ora, Charles and Harold Zink; sisters, Wilma Cook and Maxine.

Services will be 10 a.m. Thursday at Brown-Butz-Diedring Funeral Home in Anderson. Graveside services and burial will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in the chapel at Oakhill Cemetery in Plymouth.

Visitation will be 4 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Marshall County or Catherine Kasper Life Center.

**Yvonne Campbell  Date of Death 10/6/2007**

CARMEL — Yvonne Campbell, 84, of Carmel, died at 8:01 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 6 at St. Vincent’s Elizabeth Ann Seton Specialty Hospital, Indianapolis.

She is survived by sons: Terry (Carrie Jo) Braden and James Campbell of Carmel; and six grandchildren.

Funeral services are Thursday, Oct. 11 at 11 a.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation is one hour prior to the service.

Burial will be at the Leiters Ford Cemetery.

**Ocie Irene Holderread  Date of Death 10/6/2007**

WALKERTON — Ocie Irene Holderread, 87, of 4795 Plymouth-LaPorte Trail, Walkerton, passed away Saturday, Oct. 6, 2007 at 2:30 a.m. at Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth.

Irene was born on April 27, 1920 in Plymouth to John and Chole (Ducket) Klinedinst. Irene married Richard E. Holderread on Dec. 17, 1938. She enjoyed crafting, quilting, crocheting, flowers and gardening. She loved to travel and spent many winters in Florida. She was very active in the Blissville Church of the Brethren where she had been member of since 1933. She was a member of the Old LaPorte Road Club until the Club ended.

Irene is survived by her husband, Richard; their daughter, Sharon (Wayne) LaFollette of Walkerton; her grandchildren: Lisa (Kurits) Vardman of Oseola, Rose (Robert) Tracy of South Bend and Gary (Lynn) LaFollette of Warsaw; her great-grandsons: Brandon LaFollette, Tyler LaFollette and Daniel LaFollette; and her great-granddaughters: Kristin LaFollette and Tori Tracy. Irene and Richard also raised three foster children who survive. They are Gloria (Fries) Hargarther and Richard Fries. She was preceded in death by her foster daughter, Katherine (Fries) Meyers; her sisters: Mable Welch, Mina Klinedinst, Clare Green, Inez Klinedinst, Edna Shaw, Tessie Oman and Mary Klinedinst; and her brothers: Ira, Ora, George, Glen and Orville. Several nieces and nephews also survive.

Services will be held Wednesday, Oct. 10, 2007 at 10:30 a.m. at the Blissville Church of the Brethren, with the Rev. Dester Cummins officiating. Burial will be in the Tyner Cemetery, Tyner.
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Visitation will be on Tuesday, Oct. 9, 2007 from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison St., Plymouth, IN 46563, and one hour prior to the service at the Church.

The family requests that memorial contributions be given to the Blissville Church of the Brethren, 6250 Spruce Trail, Plymouth, IN 46563, or to the Alzheimers Association, P.O. Box 4204, South Bend, IN 46601.

Friends may sign the guest book and share memories with the Holderread family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com

Bea Jack  Date of Death 10/6/2007

WALKERTON — Bea Jack, 92, of Miller’s Merry Manor, Walkerton, formerly of Hamlet, passed away Saturday, Oct. 6 in Walkerton.

Mrs. Jack was born June 8, 1915 in Walkerton to Frederick and Nettie (Kreighbaum) Lidecker and lived in the area all of her life.

On July 7, 1935, in Walkerton, she was married to Samuel R. Jack, who preceded her in death on Dec. 8, 1978.

She was also preceded in death by her parents and four sisters, Elsie Morris, Vera Williams, Helen LaFeber and Norma Dill.

Survivors include one daughter, Margo and Gene Brems of Walkerton; one son, Craig Jack of Hamlet; two grandchildren, Tod and Julie Brems of Walkerton and Andrea and Kenny Eggleston of Walkerton; great-grandchildren, Morgan and Nathan Brems; one niece, Helen Marie Murphy of Mountain Home, Idaho and one nephew, Walter LaFeber of Ithaca, N.Y.

Mrs. Jack was a homemaker, a member of the Presbyterian Church of Walkerton and a charter member of the Friendly Neighbors Home Ec Club of Hamlet.

Funeral services will be Wednesday at 11 a.m. E.T. at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel.

Burial will be at Woodlawn Cemetery, Walkerton.

Friends may visit Tuesday from 4 to 8 p.m. E.T. and Wednesday one hour prior to services at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be given to Indiana Organ Procurement Organization at 429 N. Pennsylvania St., Suite 201, Indianapolis, IN 46204.

T. Richard DeGroff  Date of Death 10/7/2007

NAPPANEE — T. Richard DeGroff, 61, of Nappanee, died at 7:20 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 7 at Goshen General Hospital.

He is survived by his parents, Allene and Lester Mast of Nappanee; sisters: Nancy D. Dougherty of Nappanee and Susan A. (Doug) Troyer of Walkerton; and sister-in-law, Wilma Mast of Nappanee.

Visitation is Thursday, Oct. 11 from 5 to 6:30 p.m. at the First Church of God in Nappanee.

A memorial service will take place Thursday at 6:30 p.m. at the church.

Cremation will take place. Graveside services with military rites will be at 4 p.m. Thursday at
Elnora O. Gibson  Date of Death 10/7/2007

PLYMOUTH — Elnora O. Gibson, 89, formerly living on W. Monroe St., Plymouth, died in Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth, at 7:50 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 7, 2007. She had been a Plymouth resident since 1933.

Born in Elkhart on July 6, 1918, she was the daughter of Daniel and Minnie Biller Wogomon.

She attended school in Syracuse.

On July 30, 1934, in Plymouth, she and Milton I. Gibson were married. Milton died on Dec. 30, 1982.

A housewife, Elnora also had worked in Ames Department Store and Hiester’s Grocery Store for 15 years.

She enjoyed bowling and bowled with South Bend friends two days a week for a number of years.

Elnora was a member of the Christ Church of Plymouth.

Two sons survive Elnora’s death. They are: Larry (Linda) Gibson, Dennis (Sue) Gibson all of Plymouth.

Nine grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren and three step-great-grandchildren also survive.

Elnora was preceded in death by her husband, a son, William “Butch” Gibson, and two great-grandchildren: Michael Richardson and Amanda Bunch.

Friends are invited to share memories and celebrate the life of Elnora Gibson from 4 to 8 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 12, 2007, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral service for Elnora, officiated by the Rev. Larry Ferguson, will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 13, 2007, in the funeral home.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Elnora’s memory may be made to the Alzheimer’s Association.

Letters of condolence and the sharing of memories may be sent to the family through the funeral home’s internet service: www.johnson-danielson.com

Roger C. Leed  Date of Death 10/7/2007

BREMEN — Roger C. Leed, 74, of Bremen, passed away at 10 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 7, 2007 in his home after an illness. He was born on Nov. 8, 1932 in Plymouth to Victor Owen and Vada Lucille (Wright) Leed. On April 27, 1966 in Plymouth, he married the former Sandra “Sandy” Carmichael, who survives.

Roger is survived by his wife of 41 years, Sandy; three daughters: Aimee D. Lucas of LaPaz, Kathy and Elizabeth; three sons: Andy (Stephanie) Leed of LaPaz, Mike C. Leed of Indianapolis and Steve Leed; eight grandchildren: Garrett, McKenzie, Mason, Levi, Savannah, Jaeden,
Morgan and Dawson; a sister, Sally (Wayne) Griggs of Dowagiac, Mich. And three brothers: Gary Leed of LaPaz, Harvey Leed of Plymouth and Victor “Mike” (Carol) Leed of LaPaz. A daughter, Peggy Leed and two sons, Michael David Leed and David Leed all preceded him in death.

Roger retired from the Ironworker’s Union Local #292 in South Bend after over 40 years of service. He was a member of the Sons of American Legion in LaPaz and enjoyed hunting, fishing and camping. He also enjoyed working and spending time with his family.

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 11, 2007 in the Palmer Funeral Home, 314 S. Michigan St., Lakeville. Rev. Larry Dimick will officiate. Burial will follow in Fair Cemetery, North Liberty. Friends may visit with the family from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday in the funeral home.

Contributions may be made to Hospice of Marshall County, 112 S. Center St. Suite C, Plymouth, IN 46563.

**Gregory Joseph Novak  Date of Death 10/7/2007**


Survivors include his children, Jeremy Joseph Novak and Brianna Nicole Novak; his parents, Rosie M. and Bruce Topping; his grandparents, Joseph and Betty Dado, and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

There will be no services.

Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, assisted the family with arrangements.

**Patricia A. Renz  Date of Death 10/7/2007**

PLYMOUTH — Patricia A. “Pat” Renz, a resident of Plymouth since 1953, coming from Chicago, died unexpectedly of natural causes in her home, 800 S. Michigan St., Plymouth, at 10:14 a.m. on Sunday, Oct. 7, 2007. She was 81-years-old.

Born in Erie, Pa., on Jan. 21, 1926, Pat was the daughter of Jesse B. and Winifred Brandt Howe. She graduated in 1943 from Strong Vincent High School in Erie. She then received her certification as a Medical Technologist from what is now Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio.


Pat first served as a Medical Technologist for Erie’s St. Vincent Hospital, also Goshen General and completed her career at Parkview/Saint Joseph Hospital in Plymouth. She retired in 1988, but continued to volunteer at various health screening events in the community.

A homemaker for her family, she enjoyed crocheting and knitting. A smile for everyone, she loved to cook and garden.

An avid follower of Plymouth athletics, she attended all of the games, especially enjoying those of her children and grandchildren. For years she occupied the front row for nearly every home basketball game.

A member of St. Michael Roman Catholic Church, her pleasant demeanor served her well as a “greeter” before Mass. She was a former active member of the Tri Kappa Sorority and was presently an Associate member. She and her husband volunteered as Republican precinct
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A son, James D. Renz, preceded his mother in death on May 7, 2005. Pat’s parents, spouse and a sister, Marjorie Kolar, have also died.

Friends are invited to celebrate the life and share memories of Pat Renz with her family on Thursday, Oct. 11, 2007, from 4 to 8 p.m. in 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 for Pat on Friday, Oct. 12, 2007 at 10 a.m. in St. Michael’s Roman Catholic Church, 611, N. Center St. Plymouth. The Rev. Father William Kummer, pastor of the church will officiate.

Interment will follow in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts in Pat’s memory are requested for the Plymouth Athletic Department, #1 Big Red Drive, Plymouth, IN 46563 or the St. Michael’s Parish Parking/Playground Development Fund. 612 N. Walnut St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family via the Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com

Alba Daly Date of Death 10/8/2007

BREMEN — Alba Daly, 78, of Bremen, died at 2:45 a.m. Monday, Oct. 8 at Bremen Health Care Center.

She is survived by a son, Peter (Dawn Pack) Daly of Bremen; daughter, Christine (Kevin) White of Snellville, Ga.; brother, Alfio Piraccini of Mishawaka; and one grandson.

Visitation is Thursday, Oct. 11 from 2 to 7 p.m. at the Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen.

Funeral services are Friday, Oct. 12 at 10:30 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Fairview Cemetery, Mishawaka.

Memorials may be made to the American Parkinson’s Disease Association, 135 Parkinson Ave., Staten Island, NY 10305.

Paul "Red" Davidson Date of Death 10/8/2007

LEITERS FORD — Paul “Red” Davidson, 90, of Leiters Ford, died at 12 p.m. Monday, Oct. 8 at home.

He is survived by his wife, Rosemary Davidson of Leiters Ford; daughters: Laura J. Davidson and companion Nora Skolnick of Brain Tree, Vt. And Paula L. (Jerry) Richardson of Leesburg; three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services are Friday, Oct. 12 at 11 a.m. at the Leiters Ford United Methodist Church. Visitation will be two hours prior to the service in the church.
Burial will be at Leiters Ford Cemetery. The American Legion & Veterans of Foreign Wars will conduct military graveside rites.

Memorials may be made to the Scottish Rite Children’s Hospital.

The Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, is in charge of the arrangements.

Anthony Frederick, III Plothow  Date of Death 10/8/2007

PLYMOUTH — Anthony Fredrick “Fritz” Plothow III, of Leiters Ford, formerly of Plymouth, died, following a brief illness, at 9:05 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 8, 2007, in Community North Hospital, Indianapolis. His loving wife and four children were by his side.

Fritz was a little over three weeks shy of his 76th birthday.

Born on Oct. 31, 1931, in Peru, he was the son of Anthony Fredrick Plothow Jr., and Wilma LaVon Henry Plothow.

He graduated with the class of 1949 from Bunker Hill High School and the Pharmacy School of Purdue University. He also was a graduate of the 1957 class of the University of Chicago School of Medicine.

Fritz served in the United States Army in World War II as a Lieutenant in the Medical Corps.

On Sept. 21, 1963, Fritz and Patricia L. McIntosh were married in Leiters Ford.

Fritz worked for Pitman-Moore Pharmaceuticals in Chicago and then for Dow Chemical Co. He was a pharmacist his entire career, working in the Plymouth area for 20 years. He retired in 1994

An avid sports fan, he followed Purdue University, the Chicago Bears and Cubs and, his all time favorite teams, the Plymouth Rockies and Pilgrims.

Fritz was a life-time member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints and was sealed in the Washington, D.C. Temple in Sept. of 1982.

Fritz is survived by his loving wife of 44 years and their four children: Anthony F. (Carin) Plothow IV, Plymouth: Karen C. (Howard) Menser, Crestwood, Ky.: Tracey E. (Ken) O'Dell, Noblesville and Edward A. “Alex” (Janna) Plothow, also of Noblesville.


Two great-grandchildren survive as well. They are Nevaeh and Paige.

Three brothers: Roger, Richard and Steven Plothow of Utah survive, together with two sisters, Wanda Mosser of California and Susie Werner of Utah. Numerous nieces, nephews and cousins also survive.

He was preceded in death by his loving parents and by a daughter, Jennifer Lynn Plothow who died on Nov. 15, 1965. His in-laws, Woodie and Wilma McGlathin, also preceded Fritz in death.

Friends are invited by Fritz’s family to share memories and celebrate his life on Friday, Oct. 12, 2007, from 2 to 8 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services will be held at 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 13, 2007, in the funeral home. Howard Menser, Fritz’s son-in-law, will preside over the service.
Interment will be in the Leiters Ford IOOF cemetery, Leiters Ford.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial gifts be given in Fritz’s memory to the Tracey Plothow O’Dell Pancreas Transplant Fund, c/o Lake City Bank, Plymouth.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family via www.johnson-danielson.com.

**Craig A. Tuttle  Date of Death 10/9/2007**

PLYMOUTH — Craig A. Tuttle, 48, of Plymouth, died Tuesday, Oct. 9 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

He is survived by his wife, Jane A. Tuttle of Plymouth; daughters: Danielle (Ryan) Tyner of Plymouth and Melissa Tuttle of Mishawaka; son, Brian Tuttle of Bremen; mother and stepfather, Carol and Wayne Hochstetler of Plymouth; and sister, Lori (Chris) Shaumber of Bremen.

Visitation is Sunday, Oct. 14 from 4 to 7 p.m. and Monday, Oct. 15 after 7 a.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth. Funeral services are Monday, Oct. 15 at 10:30 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Walnut Cemetery, Argos.

Memorials may be made to a charity of the donor’s choice.

**Mary E. Smith Welch  Date of Death 10/10/2007**

BOURBON – A graveside memorial service for Mary E. Smith Welch, 93, who died Oct.10, 2007, will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, July 12 in the Sandridge Cemetery. The cemetery is located Northeast of Bourbon on 8th Road.

She is survived by two brothers and a sister. They are John V. and Opal Jackson of Naples, Fla., and Robert “Dale” and Shirley Jackson of Bourbon and Ruth Ellen Alderfer of Lafayette.

Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, is in charge of the arrangements.

**Alice M. Mikesell  Date of Death 10/11/2007**

CULVER — Alice M. Mikesell, 91, of Culver, passed away at 4:17 p.m. Oct. 11, 2007 at Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth.


A long-time resident of Culver, Alice worked as a cook for several years at the State Exchange Bank in Culver. She also worked as a cook for Schori’s and Price’s Restaurants in Plymouth. She was a member of the Rebekkah Lodge, Moose Lodge, and the local VFW Ladies Auxiliary.

Alice was well-known throughout Culver as the lady who often baked dozens of pies in a weekend and loved to decorate her home for the different holidays. She loved to bake and share home-made pies, apple dumplings, and tea cakes with family, friends, and neighbors. She was a very caring, giving person who enjoyed sharing her life with others, especially on a dance floor. For many years, the address on School Street provided the neighborhood with a beautiful array of flowers that bloomed from early spring to fall.

Alice is survived by her daughter, Janet Lowe of Rochester; son, Donald W. (Carolann) Mikesell

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, one son, three sisters, and three brothers.

Rev. Bryan Siefert will officiate memorial services at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 18, 2007 at Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver with a short visitation beginning at 1 p.m. Memorials may be given to Culver-Union Township Fire Department, the Finney-Shilling VFW Post 6919 Ladies Auxiliary, or a charity of the donor’s choice and can be sent to Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, 104 E Lakeshore Drive, Culver, IN 46511.

Condolences may be sent via the obituary page at www.bonineodom.com.

Rudith Sheridan  Date of Death 10/11/2007

Rudith Sheridan, 88, of 16564 18th B Road, Culver, Indiana, passed away Thursday, October 11, 2007, at 2:23 p.m. at her home in Culver.

Rudith was born June 3, 1919, in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. She graduated from Carroll College in Wisconsin and taught school in Oxford, Wisconsin and in Plymouth, Indiana. She was a member of A.A.U.W. and the Historical Society in South Bend and Culver, Indiana. She was an active member of the Altar Guild at Saint Thomas Episcopal Church in Plymouth.


Rudith is survived by her daughters, Elizabeth (Al) Noak of Crown Point, Indiana, Margaret Bonen of Culver, Indiana, The Rev. Mary (Jim) Janda of Sandy, Utah; her sons, Stephen (Julie) Sheridan of Dallas, Texas and Peter (Janet) Sheridan of Pooler, GA; ten grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; her sisters, Louise Summers of Middleton, Wisconsin and Betty Ann (Wally) Punko of Brookfield, Wisconsin.

A funeral mass will be held Tuesday, October 16, 2007 at 11:00 a.m. at Saint Thomas Episcopal Church in Plymouth, with the Right Reverend Edward S. Little, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Northern Indiana and the Reverend Margaret Shaw officiating. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

A time of meeting with the family and sharing memories of Rudith will be on Tuesday, October 16, 2007, at Saint Thomas Episcopal Church, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth, Indiana, 46563, is handling the arrangements for the family.

Memorial contributions may be given to Saint Elizabeth’s Episcopal Church, 515 North State Street, Culver, Indiana, 46511.

Friends may sign the guest book and share memories with the Sheridan family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com

Larry Dean Walters  Date of Death 10/11/2007

FAYETTEVILLE, N.C. — Larry Dean Walters, 63, of Fayetteville, N.C., died Thursday, Oct. 11.

He is survived by his wife, Laura Walters of Fayetteville, N.C., his mother, Dorothy Walters of Plymouth, a son, Kevin Walters of Indianapolis, and brothers, Thomas Walters of LaCrosse, Jeff Walters of Hawaii, Bob Walters of North Carolina and Rick Walters of Knox.
Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. Monday.

Services are at Braman & Son Memorial Chapel on Tuesday at 11 a.m. with the Rev. James Adcock and Rev. Merry Christine Douglas officiating.

Burial will be at Fletcher Cemetery, Hamlet.

FAYETTEVILLE, N.C. — Larry Dean Walters, 63, of Fayetteville, N.C., died Thursday, Oct. 11.

He is survived by his wife, Laura Walters of Fayetteville, N.C., his mother, Dorothy Walters of Plymouth, a son, Kevin Walters of Indianapolis, and brothers, Thomas Walters of LaCrosse, Jeff Walters of Hawaii, Bob Walters of North Carolina and Rick Walters of Knox.

Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. Monday. Services are at Braman & Son Memorial Chapel on Tuesday at 11 a.m. with the Rev. James Adcock and Rev. Merry Christine Douglas officiating. Burial will be at Fletcher Cemetery, Hamlet.

E. Ruth Flosenzier  Date of Death 10/12/2007

PLYMOUTH — E. Ruth Flosenzier, 89, died of natural causes in Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth, at 5:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 12, 2007.

Ruth was born the daughter of Ivan and Daisy M. Stuber Read in Peru, on Aug. 17, 1918.

She was a 1936 graduate of Plymouth High School. She then attended Manchester College for two years, obtaining her teacher’s certificate.

On Dec. 31, 1939, in Plymouth, Ruth became the bride of Vernon L. Flosenzier. Vernon died on Sept. 4, 1995. They were married for 56 years.

Ruth taught art, home economics and music at Inwood and Green Township schools. She helped her husband on their farm, at the Plymouth Community Sale Barn and Flosenziers’ Farm and Home Supply store, retiring in 1984.

Very artistic, she enjoyed flowers, crafts and painting.

A member of Sunrise Chapel, Ruth was treasurer for many years and served on the missionary board.

She is survived by a son and two daughters. They are Dick and Barbara Flosenzier, Plymouth: C. Jean Church, Knoxville, Tenn., and Linda K. and Richard Hartle, also of Plymouth.

Ten grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren survive.

Three sisters and three brothers survive as well. They are: Treva (Wendell) Nelson and Wilma Ambler, all of Plymouth: Ellen (Bruce) Snyder, Toledo, Ohio: and Lester (Sue) Read, James (Barbara) Read and Jay Read, all of Plymouth.

Ruth was preceded in death by her parents, her husband and an infant son, Robert Dean Flosenzier.

Ruth’s family invites her friends to come and celebrate her life and share memories with them on Tuesday, Oct. 16, 2007, from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Additional visitation will be after 7 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 17, at the funeral home and for one hour prior to the funeral services.
Funeral services for Ruth will be held at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 17, in Sunrise Chapel, 11802 Lincoln Highway, Plymouth, officiated by Pastor Rustin Krapfl.

Interment will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Ruth’s memory may be made to Sunrise Chapel Missions.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family through the funeral home’s internet service: www.johnson-danielson.com.

Irvin E. Brown  Date of Death 10/13/2007

KNOX — Irvin E. Brown, 77, of Knox, died Saturday, Oct. 13, at the Center for Hospice & Palliative Care, South Bend.

He is survived by his wife, Emily Brown, one daughter, Kim and John Pulliam of Plymouth, one son, Rick and Patti Brown of Merritt Island, Fla., two step-daughters, Linda Reinhold of Monterey and Mary Wilcox of Knox and two step-sons, Harold Sutton of Monterey and Robert Sutton of Kewanna; 15 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Wednesday, Oct. 17 from 4 to 8 p.m. CDT at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet. Cremation will take place at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or the American Diabetes Association.

Merlin J Hochstetler  Date of Death 10/13/2007

NAPPANEE — Merlin J. Hochstetler, 53, died Saturday, Oct. 13, at 3:55 p.m. following an accident.

He is survived by his wife, Katie Hochstetler of Nappanee, his children, Samuel K. and Michelle Schwartz of Nappanee and Susan Elaine Hochstetler of Nappanee, his grandson, Kaden Schwartz; brothers, Robert L. and Mary Etta Hochstetler of Milford, David A. Hochstetler of Etna Green and Mark and May Eileen Hochstetler of Bremen; and sisters Mary Jane and Atlee Bontrager of Nappanee, Margaret and Lloyd Miller of Etna Green, Carol C. and Leon Stutzman of Nappanee, Lora Jean and Paul Miller of Nappanee and Marlene and Gerald Hochstetler of Salem.

Visitation will be at the family residence, all day Monday. Services will be at the Steve Borkholder residence, 72990 CR 101, Nappanee, Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. with Bishop Lonnie Slabaugh of the Old Order Amish Church officiating. Burial will be at Weldy Cemetery, Nappanee. Arrangements are with Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee.
He is survived by his wife, Katie Hochstetler of Nappanee, his children, Samuel K. and Michelle Schwartz of Nappanee and Susan Elaine Hochstetler of Nappanee, his grandson, Kaden Schwartz; brothers, Robert L. and Mary Etta Hochstetler of Milford, David A. Hochstetler of Etna Green and Mark and May Eileen Hochstetler of Bremen; and sisters Mary Jane and Atlee Bontrager of Nappanee, Margaret and Lloyd Miller of Etna Green, Carol C. and Leon Stutzman of Nappanee, Lora Jean and Paul Miller of Nappanee and Marlene and Gerald Hochstetler of Salem.

Visitation will be at the family residence, all day Monday.

Services will be at the Steve Borkholder residence, 72990 CR 101, Nappanee, Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. with Bishop Lonnie Slabaugh of the Old Order Amish Church officiating.

Burial will be at Weldy Cemetery, Nappanee.

Arrangements are with Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee.

Ethel "Jackie" Radican  Date of Death 10/13/2007

Ethel "Jackie" Radican, 66, of Zapata, Texas, formerly of Bremen, passed away on Saturday, Oct. 13, 2007, in Zapata, Texas. She was born on Nov. 3, 1940, in South Bend to Jack & Bertha (Cochran) Stanifer.

She married Robert Radican on New Year’s Eve, 1968. He preceded her in death in 1998. Jackie lived in Bremen most of her life and spent the last 14 years in South Texas. She loved to cook and bake to share with others. Jackie wrote a weekly gardening column for her local newspaper in Texas. She was an avid reader and especially enjoyed mysteries. She learned to fish from her father and enjoyed it her whole life. She enjoyed working with special needs children. Jackie graduated from Bremen High School in 1958.

Survivors include three sons: James (Tammie) Radican of Plymouth, Joseph Radican of Zapata, Texas and Kirk Radican of Virginia; one daughter, Margaret (Billy) Knowles of Mishawaka; five grandchildren: Christian & Ian Radican of Plymouth, Nichole & Brandon Knowles of Mishawaka, Michael Radican of Virginia; one brother, Doug Stanifer of Bremen; one sister, Pat Dobrunst of Bremen, and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband and brother, George Stanifer.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. on Friday, Oct. 19, 2007, at Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen. Pastor Wilson Shabaz will officiate. Burial will follow at Bremen Cemetery. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 18, 2007, at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Association, P.O. Box 22718 Oklahoma City, OK 73123-1718.

The Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen is assisting the family with arrangements. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.mishlerfuneralhomes.com

John Lowell Brown  Date of Death 10/15/2007

PLYMOUTH – John Lowell Brown, 11942 4A Road, Plymouth, died on Monday, Oct. 15, 2007, at 10:50 p.m. in Broadway Methodist Hospital of Merrillville, following complications from open heart surgery. He was 83 years old.

Born in Teegarden on Jan. 29, 1924, John was the son of John Madison and Lyla Trump Brown. He graduated from Tyner High School with the class of 1942, and served in the United States Navy during World War II.
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John and his wife of almost 63 years, Virginia Goss Brown, were married on Jan. 20, 1945, in Norfolk, Va. He worked at Studebakers both before and after the war. He was employed there for 15 years before moving on to work at Bendix for the next 15 years.

He then retired and became the maintenance man at the Marshall County Building. He was a member of the Marshall County Civil Defense team for more than 30 years. John also raised and bred national and world champion Palomino quarter horses. He was a member of the American Quarter Horse Association.

John is survived by his wife, a son and two daughters. His son is Rodney (Sheryl) Brown, Kizer, Ore., and his daughters are Marcia (Robert) Rettinger, Plymouth and Joyce (Todd) Kanarr, Waucoma, Iowa. His grandchildren were John’s pride and joy. They are Rick Brown, Dawn Kinney, Robin Smith, Sabrina and Samantha Kanarr. Eight great-grandsons and one great-granddaughter survive as well, together with a sister, Marie Trump of Florida.

John was preceded in death by his parents, an infant daughter, Sue Ellen Brown, three brothers and a sister.

Friends are invited to celebrate the life of John Lowell Brown with his family on Thursday, Oct. 18, 2007, from 3 to 8 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for John will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, Oct. 19, 2007, in the funeral home. Brother Mark Klingerman, an elder of the Plymouth Congregation of Jehovah’s Witnesses, where John was a member, will officiate.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in memory of John may be made to a charity of the donor’s choice. Letters of condolence may be sent to the family through the Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com

Karen Cripe Collins  Date of Death 10/15/2007


She is survived by her children: Clay Michael Collins and Molly Shae Collins, both of Naples; her partner, Alfred J. DiMatties of Naples; parents, Neil and Doris Cripe of Bremen; brother, Scott (Jody) Cripe of South Bend; sisters: Patricia (Brent) Lineberry of Bremen and Kay (John) Kelley of Warsaw; three nephews and a niece.

Services will be held at 3 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 24 at the Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen. Burial will follow in Bremen Cemetery. Visitation is from 4 to 6 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Molly S. and Clay M. Collins Trust Fund, Lake City Bank, PO Box 1387, Warsaw, IN 46581.

Eloise June Balmer  Date of Death 10/16/2007

BOURBON — Eloise J. Balmer, 77, a resident of Bourbon since 1992, died on Oct. 16, 2007 in South Bend, following an extended illness. Eloise has always known the existence of God and has had guidance from Him several times throughout the years.

She was born in Lakeville June 20, 1930 the daughter of James R. and Laura M. Terwilliger Beam. She graduated from Plymouth High School with the class of 1948.

Her life involved traveling and living in different areas of the United States. She resided in Indiana, Florida and Minnesota and had visited Texas and California.
Eloise had enlisted into the Army in 1948 as a nurse in training during the Korean Conflict. After being discharged from the service, she married LaVon R. Balmer on March 23, 1952 in Plymouth. LaVon preceded her in death on Dec. 3, 2001.

Eloise was never without a friend. She could talk to anyone at anytime. She kept active in the communities in which she lived while raising four children. She had served on the Bremen School’s PTA, the Bremen Hospital Auxiliary, worked the election polls in Cass Lake, Minn. And named several roads in the Cass County, Ten Lakes Township. She was also a member of the Disabled American Veteran’s Association and the local sheriff’s association. Eloise had attended Riverside Methodist Church near Bremen and Foster’s Chapel near Bourbon. She had worked at Teal’s Grocery store in Cass Lake, the Bendix factory in South Bend, and Meyer’s Nursing Home in Bremen. Eloise’s “green thumb” was busy during the years she operated a small greenhouse on the farm filled with geraniums and tomatoes.

She is survived by her two sons: Larry W. Balmer and his wife Marsha, of Plymouth and Walter R. “Dick” Balmer and his wife Jill, of Bremen; two daughters: Yvonne E. Balmer and husband James R. Shirley of Bloomington and Darla K. Finnegan and husband Pat of Bemidji, Minn. Grandchildren include Melissa (Todd) Ferguson of Argos; Adam (Deidre) Balmer of Warner Robins, Ga.; Valerie (Chris) Unruh of LaPaz; Scotty Finnegan of Bemidji, Minn.; Amanda Hershberger of Kailua, Hawaii; and Brooke Hershberger of Bremen. Her remaining siblings are Rhea Johnston of Phoenix, Ariz. And Anita Wamsley of Medina, Ohio. She has several nieces and nephews, great-nieces and nephews, and six great-grandchildren.

Friends are invited to celebrate Eloise’s life and share memories of her from 5 to 7 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 19, 2007, at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth. Services will follow visitation at 7 p.m. in the funeral home with her nephew Rev. John Hand presiding. Military honors will be accorded Eloise by members of the D.A.V. Chapter 42 assisted by members of Plymouth V.F.W. Post 1162 immediately following services at the funeral home. Burial will be in the Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

In lieu of flowers memorial gifts may be given in Eloise’s name to the Disabled American Veteran’s Association.

Words of condolence may be sent to the family via the Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com

Mable “Pauline” Hite  Date of Death 10/16/2007

Mable “Pauline” Hite, 81, died Tuesday, Oct. 16 at Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw.

She is survived by daughters: Shirley (Boyd) Poe of Claypool, Janet (Jim) Dawson of Warsaw and Joyce Trean of Plymouth; son, Charles Robert (Judy) Hite of Plymouth; eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Friday, Oct. 19 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Titus Funeral Home, Warsaw. Funeral services are Saturday, Oct. 20 at 10:30 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at Oakwood Cemetery, Warsaw. Memorials may be made to Kosciusko Home Care and Hospice.

Kenneth E. Kamp  Date of Death 10/16/2007

PLYMOUTH — Kenneth E. Kamp, 72 of 10258 Muckshaw Rd., Plymouth, passed away Tuesday, Oct. 16, 2007, at 11:30 p.m. in his home with his family by his side, after losing his two-year battle to cancer.

Kenny was born July 29, 1935 in Plymouth to Harry and Jean (Warner) Kamp. On Feb. 16, 1959 he married Sondre Dipert. Kenny was retired from ITW Ram Set Red Head in Michigan City, where he worked for 33 years. He served his country as a PFC of the U.S. Army Artillery and was also a member of the American Legion Post #27 of Plymouth. He was an avid Plymouth Speedway fan. He loved the outdoors and watching his granddaughters sporting events.
Kenny is survived by his wife, Sondre; his daughters, Cathy (George) Null of Argos, Angie (Corey) Green of Argos, Kim Kamp and companion Gary Masterson of Plymouth; his mother, Jean Orr of Plymouth; his brother, Dale Kamp of Plymouth; his sisters: Carolyn Manuwal of Plymouth, Deb Shoptaw of Indianapolis, Pat Mehrley of North Carolina, Margaret Ann and Linda of Florida; his granddaughters: Shanda and Krista Null, Ashley Elmore, and Ashton Kendall; four step-granddaughters; one step-grandson; and two great-granddaughters. Kenny was preceded in death by his father and a brother.

Graveside services will be on Friday, Oct. 19, 2007, at 1 p.m. in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth, with the Rev. Bryan Trump officiating. There will be no visitation. The American Legion Post #27 will present the Military Honors. Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison St., Plymouth, IN 46563, is handling the arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, Inc., 112 South Center Street, Plymouth, IN 46563. Friends may sign the guest book and share memories with the Kamp family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com

**Wahneeta Folkers Watson**  **Date of Death 10/16/2007**

ARGOS — Wahneeta Folkers Watson, 86, of Argos, died Tuesday, Oct. 16.

Visitation is Sunday, Oct. 21 from 3 to 6 p.m. at Braman & Son Memorial Chapel, Knox. Funeral services are Monday, Oct. 22 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home.

**Harold William Lewis**  **Date of Death 10/17/2007**

WALKERTON — Harold William Lewis, 81, of Walkerton, died Wednesday, Oct. 17 in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, South Bend.

He is survived by daughters: Yvonne (William) Colin of Walkerton and Cynthia Fox of Portland, Ore.; son, William (Patricia) Lewis of Portland, Ore.; brother, George Sprague of Jennings, Mich.; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. Funeral services are Monday, Oct. 22 at 11 a.m. EST at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel. Visitation is Monday after 9 a.m. until the time of services.

Burial will be at the Franklin Cemetery, Eau Claire, MIch. Memorials may be made to the First Baptist Church of North Liberty.

**Phyllis Lavelli Mars**  **Date of Death 10/17/2007**

SUN CITY CENTER, Fla. — Phyllis Lavelli Mars, 87, formerly of Culver, died at 10:48 p.m. at her home in Sun City Center, Fla.

She is survived by her husband, John; sons: Anthony C. Mars of Orlando, Fla. And Dr. J. Peter (Dr. Brennan) Mars of Boulder, Colo.; sisters: Doris Duff and Virginia Lovett, both of of New Hampshire; and two grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held Tuesday, Oct. 23 at 10 a.m. at the Culver Academies Memorial Chapel, Culver. Burial will be at the Culver Masonic Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations be made to the John and Phyllis Mars Scholarship Fund in care of Culver Academies. The Bonine-Odom Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

**Jean Pritchard**  **Date of Death 10/17/2007**

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MENTONE — Jean Pritchard, 79, of Mentone, died at 6:44 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 17 at St. Vincent Hospital, Indianapolis.

She is survived by daughters: Jacque (Bill) Bradley of Mentone and Jeri (Scott) Hoskins of Warsaw; sons: Jeff (Linda) Pritchard of Winona Lake and Tom (Ronnie) Rosen of Savannah, Ga.; five grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; sisters: Barb Ross of Mentone and Janet (Bob) Brooks of Bourbon; and brother, Richard (Joan) King of Warsaw.

Visitation is Saturday, Oct. 20 from 3 to 8 p.m. at the King Memorial Home, Mentone. Funeral services are Sunday, Oct. 21 at 2 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at the Mentone Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Mentone United Methodist Church or the Bell Memorial Public Library, Mentone.

Mae I. Roysdon  Date of Death 10/17/2007

HAMLET — Mae I. Roysdon, 97, of Hamlet, passed away Wednesday, Oct. 17, 2007 in Starke Memorial Hospital, Knox, after an illness. Mrs. Roysdon was born Oct. 13, 1910 in Knox to Link and Mattie (Lark) Guernsey and lived in the area all of her life. On June 12, 1941 in Hamlet, she was married to Earl A. Roysdon, who preceded her in death in 1966. She was also preceded in death by her parents, three sisters, one brother and one grandchild.

Survivors include: two daughters, Ivyl (Bill) Wallace of Knox and Marilyn Roysdon of Hamlet; one son, Elmo “Bud” (Virginia) Phelps of Plymouth; seven grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; and 15 great-great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Roysdon was a homemaker, a member of the Hamlet United Methodist Church for 66 years, a member of the Phietha Class and a charter member of WSCS of the church. She was a loving mother, she cherished her grandchildren and will be deeply missed by her entire family.

Graveside services will be Sunday at 1 p.m. CDT at Fletcher Cemetery, Hamlet, with Rev. Rose Woodke officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given to the Hamlet United Methodist Church. Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel, is handling the arrangements.

William R. Smith  Date of Death 10/18/2007

ARGOS — William R. (Bob) Smith, 68, of Indiana Avenue, Argos, went home to be with his Lord on Thursday, Oct. 18, 2007 at 2:10 p.m.

He died at the Life Care Center of Rochester following a two-year illness.

On Dec. 16, 1938 in North Judson, he was born to William R. and Gertrude (Armentrout) Smith. He lived in the Argos community for 31 years.


Mr. Smith served in the United States Navy on the U.S.S. Macon from 1956 to 1959 and in the Naval Reserves until 1962. He was a member of the American Rabbit Breeders Association.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy M. Smith of Argos; one daughter, Patricia (Dallas) Richardson of Mentone; one son, Robert (Ginger) Smith of Knox; 11 grandchildren, Jessica, Leah, Susannah, Cassia, Anna, Rebekah, Charissa, Noah and Isaiah Richardson of Mentone and William and Andrew Smith of Knox.

His mother, Gertrude (David) Joseph of Plymouth, and two brothers, Richard (Joyce) Smith of Holiday Island, Ark. And David (Linda) Smith of Loogootee, Ind. Also survive.
He was preceded in death by his father and a grandson, Noah Ross Richardson.

Friends may visit with the family Wednesday, Oct. 24 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos, IN 46501.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 25 at the funeral home with the Rev. Doug Jividen of the Plymouth Baptist Church officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to the donor’s choice.

Electronic condolences may be sent to the family at: memorials@earl-grossmanfuneral.com.

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

Terry E. Bates  Date of Death 10/19/2007

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Oct. 19, 2007
KNOX — Terry E. Bates, 64, of Knox, died Friday, Oct. 19.

He is survived by his wife, Connie Greenlee; his children: Jeremy Bates of Arkansas, Terry Deitz of Ohio, Ashley Bates of Knox, Alan Bates of Knox and Laurie Irish of Ohio; sisters: Sandy Potthoff of Plymouth, Linda Brantley of Ohio, Karen Taggert of French Licke, Ind. And Carol Pickett of Texas; six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Cremation has taken place and a memorial service will be held at a later date.

M.C. Smith Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Michael D. Morgan  Date of Death 10/20/2007

PLYMOUTH — Michael D. “Mike” Morgan, 49, of Plymouth, died Saturday, Oct. 20, 2007 at 8:45 p.m. at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, South Bend.

He is survived by his wife, Nita Morgan of Kokomo; daughter, Kala Ann Morgan; son, Michael William Morgan; step-daughters: Kimberly Reese and Amber Thomas; and step-brother, Bill Grimes.

A service will be held at a later date. Cremation has taken place.

The Van Gilder Funeral Home, Plymouth, is in charge of the arrangements.

Robert C. Artis  Date of Death 10/21/2007


He is survived by his longtime companion, Carol Hayes of Monterey; two daughters: Dawn
Hailey of Brooklyn, N.Y. and Shavon Hailey; sisters: Cassandra Artis, Rose Artis, Dawn Ahee, Cathy Irby, all of Brooklyn, N.Y. and Annquinette Holms of Orangeburg, S.C.

Interment will be private; there will be no visitation.

Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, is in charge of arrangements.

**Ruth C. Piper  Date of Death 10/24/2007**

KNOX — Ruth C. Piper, 84, died Wednesday, Oct. 24 at home.

She is survived by a daughter, Jennie Carter of Knox; two granddaughters; and many nieces and nephews.

Visitation is Sunday, Oct. 28 from 3 to 7 p.m. at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel and Monday at the church one hour prior to the funeral home.

Funeral services will be Monday, Oct. 29 at 2 p.m. CDT at Eagle Creek Church, Knox.

**Wyatt Alexander Kegarise  Date of Death 10/26/2007**

ROCHESTER — Wyatt Alexander Kegarise, 2 months, died at 10:25 a.m. Friday, Oct. 26 at Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

He is survived by his parents: John D. and Shannon V. Overmyer Kegarise of Rochester; sisters: Morgan and Lindsay Kegarise; grandparents: Dale and Faye Overmyer of Rochester and Donald and Kathy Kegarise of Kewanna.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 31 at the Riverview Community Church, Talma.

Visitation is at the church from 4 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 30 or one hour prior to Wednesday’s services.

Burial will be at the Richland Center IOOF Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Riverview Community Church - Kegarise Fund.

Good-Family Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

**Marvin P. Gagnon  Date of Death 10/27/2007**

AKRON — Marvin P. Gagnon, 74, of Akron, died at 3:25 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 27 at Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne, following a short illness. He was born Aug. 2, 1933 in Wabash County to Floyd and Faye (Crist) Gagnon. On June 26, 1954 in Akron, he married Violet M. Sitts, who survives.

He started working at Bahney Chevrolet in Akron at age 16 and in 1974 he became co-owner and in 1979 in became Gagnon Chevrolet. His family also joined the business, which still continues today.

He was a 1951 graduate of Akron High School. He attended the Akron Church of God where he had served on the board. He was a member of the Akron Lions Club, where he was current secretary and he had also been the past president. He was a member of the Akron Chamber of Commerce where he had been past president. He served on the Akron Fourth of July committee and was a past Four th of July parade marshal. He had received several recognition awards from Chevrolet over the years. He was a member of the Toastmasters Club in Rochester. He was involved in the Akron EMS for 12 years. He enjoyed stock car racing and NASCAR. His
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favorite driver was Dale Earnhardt. He was a very active community leader who loved Akron.

He is survived by his wife, Violet Gagnon of Akron; daughter, Kathy (Craig) Ammerman of Akron; sons: John (Lesa) Gagnon of Akron, Robert (Pamela) Gagnon of Rochester and Terry (Sandy) Gagnon of Akron; 16 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one granddaughter and one brother, Marion Gagnon.

Visitation is Tuesday, Oct. 30 from 2 to 8 p.m. at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron.

Funeral services are Wednesday, Oct. 31 at 10:30 a.m. at the Akron Church of God, 301 S. West St., Akron, with Pastors Terry Canfield and Steve Fleck officiating.

Burial will be at the Roann Community Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Akron Lions Club or the Akron Church of God.

Esther Lois (Bolinger) Reed  Date of Death 10/27/2007

PLYMOUTH — Esther Lois (Bolinger) Reed passed away in her home, 305 Marigold Court, Plymouth, at 11:20 a.m. on Oct. 17, 2007, 16 months after her diagnosis of pancreatic cancer. She fought courageously and without complaint, ending her battle while in the loving care of her family.

Born Nov. 23, 1927, in Blue Island, Ill., Esther moved with her family to Argos in 1936, graduated from Argos High School in 1945, and lived in Marshall County thereafter. She was preceded in death by her parents, O. Earl and Lois E. (Oyler) Bolinger, brother Ora R. Bolinger (World War II) and oldest son, Phil Earl Reed on March 20, 1990.

Esther was married to James Roy Reed on June 5, 1949, in the Walnut Church of the Brethren.

She is survived by her husband Roy of 58 years. Six children also survive. They are: Gloria F. (Kevin) Nelson, Indianapolis; Michael L. (Stacie) Reed, Plymouth; Donald R. (Vickie) Reed, Argos; Marlin K. (Tari) Reed, Plymouth; Mark A. Reed, South Bend; Robert E. (Cindy) Reed, Indianapolis; sister Doris (Robert) Kingsafer at South Bend; and brother Edward H. (Peg) Bolinger at Wheaton, Ill.

Also surviving are eight grandchildren: Stephen Nelson, John (Adrian) Reed, Gina (Robert) McMillen, Andrew Nelson, Ryan Reed, Jennifer (Frank) Wills, Clint (Leslie) Reed and Matthew Reed.

She was also great-grandmother to Lilianna and Dayton, step-grandmother to Kyle, Ryan and Maicee and three step-great-grandchildren and Aunt Esther to many nieces and nephews.

After obtaining an associate degree in business from Manchester College, Esther worked as a legal secretary for the State Exchange Bank. She retired in 1986, as secretary to the president of the Culver State Exchange Bank. Esther then worked in the office for A Homestead Shoppe in LaPaz for 18 years, retiring in October, 2006 when her illness made it difficult to continue. Esther served on the Union-North United School Board for eight years.

Roy and Esther enjoyed many years together traveling, driving through the country and dining out. Esther was an avid reader, always willing to share her many books. She enjoyed the many flowers and birds in their yard. She was an excellent cook, known by many for her chocolate chip cookies.

She will be remembered as a devoted wife, loving mother, sister and aunt, a special friend, mentor and example of faith, courage and quiet strength to many.
Friends may visit with the family on Saturday, Oct. 20 from 2 to 8 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, and for one hour prior to the 2 p.m. services at the Walnut Creek Church of the Brethren in Argos, on Sunday, Oct. 21. Pastor Robert “Bob” Rice will preside. Burial will follow at the Walnut Church of the Brethren in Argos.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Philip E. Reed Scholarship Fund c/o the LaPaz Lions Club, the Marshall County Center for Hospice and Palliative Care or the Juvenile Diabetes Research Fund.

Messages of condolence may be sent to the family via the Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com

**Donna E. Beaver**  **Date of Death 10/28/2007**

PLYMOUTH – Donna E. Beaver, after a three and a half-year courageous fight against the ravages of colorectal cancer, died, surrounded by her loving family, at 4:35 a.m. on Sunday, Oct. 28, 2007, in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

A lifetime Plymouth resident, Donna was 51-years old.

Born in Plymouth on May 18, 1956, Donna was the daughter of Donald and Mildred “Mick” Fisher Daugherty.

A 1975 Plymouth High School graduate, she graduated from the Vogue Beauty School in Mishawaka in 1986. On July 12, 1975, at the Sunrise Chapel in Plymouth, Donna and Paul J. Beaver, Jr. were married.

A cosmetologist for more than 20 years, Donna spent the last several years at Sunsation Beauty Salon as well as helping to clerk at the family auction business, Beaver Auction Services.

A beautiful, active woman, Donna liked to bowl, read and was a NASCAR racing fan. She especially enjoyed spending time with her family and friends and particularly with her 3-year-old granddaughter.

She was looking forward to the birth of her first grandson, due Dec. 13.

She was a member of the Women of the Moose and was recently honored with a benefit party held by Moose Lodge # 741. It was a happy evening and she said that it made her “feel good to know that people cared about me and my family.”

Donna is survived by Paul Jr., her husband of 32 years and by their two children: daughter, Shannon (Justin) Lancaster, granddaughter, Paige L. Lancaster, Leiters Ford, and their son, Shay (Stephanie) Beaver, Decatur.

Her father and step-mother, Donald and Darlene Daugherty, Plymouth, and a sister, Nancy (Rex) Edel, Apache Junction, Ariz., also survive.

Paul J. (Lana) Beaver, Sr., Donna’s father-in-law and step-mother-in-law, Culver, also survive her death.

Two stepsisters, Nila (Randy) Reimer, Columbia City and Carol (Jerry) Everly, Stem, N.C., and a step-brother, Allen Wolfe, Suffolk, Va., survive as well, together with several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

Donna was preceded in death by her mother “Mick” on May 18, 1979, and by her mother-in-law, Jeannette Beaver in 1994.

Friends will be welcomed by her family to share memories of Donna from 4 to 8 p.m. on

The Moose Lodge will have a special service for Donna following visitation at 8 p.m. in the funeral home.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 31, 2007, in the funeral home. Rev. Stephen Cox, pastor of Cornerstone Community Fellowship, LaPaz, will officiate.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery.

Memorial gifts may be given to a charity of the donor’s choice.

Letters of condolence may be sent to Donna’s family through the funeral home’s Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com

Sally A. Leininger  Date of Death 10/28/2007

ROCHESTER — Sally A. Leininger, 69, of Rochester, died at 2:20 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 28 at Parkview Hospital, Ft. Wayne.

She is survived by daughters: Mary (Sam) Williams, Judi (Richard) Alderfer and Penny (Doug) Simpson, all of Rochester; sons: Mike Leininger of Paducah, Ky. and Bill (“Tish”) Leininger of Akron; 11 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

Funeral services are Thursday, Nov. 1 at 3 p.m. in the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation is one hour prior to the service Thursday in the funeral home. Burial will be at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Anna Mae Rash  Date of Death 10/28/2007

PLYMOUTH — Anna Mae Rash, 87, of 222 Parkview St., Plymouth, died Sunday, Oct. 28, 2007 at 8:30 a.m., at Pilgrim Manor Nursing Home, in Plymouth.

She is survived by her friends, Rita and Don Beck of Fort Wayne, and her many friends at Pilgrim Manor Nursing Home.

Van Gilder Funeral Home, Plymouth, is in charge of the arrangements. A memorial service will be held at a later date. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial contributions may be given to the donor’s choice.

Jacqueline Jefferies  Date of Death 10/29/2007

TIPPECANOE — Jacqueline Jefferies, 76, of Tippecanoe, died at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 29 at home.

She is survived by her husband, Harold Jefferies; daughter, Jody (Michael) Luke of Goshen; two grandchildren; sister, Janith Kay Williams of Nacogdoches, Texas; and mother-in-law, Arlene Jefferies of South Bend.

Visitation is Thursday, Nov. 1 from 5 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to the service Friday in the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Funeral services are Friday, Nov. 2 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Kosciusko Home Care & Hospice Inc., PO Box 1196, Warsaw, IN
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Mary E. (Singrey) Youngman  Date of Death 10/29/2007

WAUKESHA, Wis. — Mary E. (Singrey) Youngman of Waukesha, Wis. passed away on Monday, Oct. 29, 2007 at her home. Mary was born on April 6, 1917 in Argos, the daughter of O. Earl and Zora (Haines) Singrey. She is the beloved wife for 71 years of Lewis “Short” Youngman. Loving mother of Michael (JoAnn) and Charles (Lori) Youngman. She is also survived by her brother Mark Singrey, sisters, Carol (Glen) Anglemyer, Betty (Norman) Nifong and Jane (Roger) Layne, sister-in-law, Velma Singrey and relatives and friends in both Indiana and Wisconsin. Mary was preceded in death by her brothers Arnold, Russell, Carl and Cleo, a sister, Helen Steinbicer and sisters-in-law, Mary (Mosca) Singrey, Evelyn (Faulkner) Singrey and Geraldine “Jerry” Singrey.

The visitation for Mary will be held Thursday, Nov. 1, 2007 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Cesarz, Charapata & Zinnecker Funeral Home, 237 N. Moreland Blvd., Waukesha. The funeral service at the funeral home and burial at Prairie Home Cemetery, Waukesha, will be private. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the charity of the donor’s choice.

The family of Mary wishes to extend a very special thank you to VITAS Innovative Hospice Care, Caring Angels and the Lutheran Home for the care and compassion given to Mary. Mary touched the lives of everyone she met with her kindness, generosity and great sense of humor. She will live on in the hearts of all who knew and loved her.

Dona M. Fetherolf  Date of Death 10/30/2007

PLYMOUTH - Dona M. Fetherolf, 90, died of natural causes in the Catherine Kasper Life Center, Donaldson, at 5:07 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 30, 2007.

Dona was born the daughter of Loren “Charles” and Effa M. (Foust) Clouse in Burnettsville on March 6, 1917.

She was a former resident of Valparaiso, and a 1935 graduate of Plymouth High School.

After high school she married James D. Fetherolf on May 11, 1940 in Richmond. He preceded her in death in 1952. After his passing she married David T. Fetherolf Sr. on June 11, 1954 in Walkerton, he then preceded her in death in 1974.

In 1935, Dona began working at the law offices of McKesson & Kizer and then Kizer & Neu, from which she retired in 1979 after 44 dedicated years.

Dona was a member of the 1st United Methodist Church for over 40 years. She was also a Member at Large for the Delta Theta Tau. Dona enjoyed gardening, yard work, knitting, reading, and doing cross word puzzles.

She is survived by a son Jay D. and his spouse Carolyn Fetherolf of Apopka, Fla., one grandson James D. & Debra Fetherolf of Cartersville, Ga., three granddaughters: Erica & Daniel Vaughn of Cartersville, Ga., Erika Wright of Albertville, Ala. And Amanda & Clarke Sturge of Miami, Fla. Ten great-grandchildren and one sister; Virginia Minnes of Chillicothe, Ill., survives as well.

Dona was also preceded in death by a brother Wayne Clouse, and a sister Marga Fertig.

A special time of sharing will be held Friday Nov. 2, 2007, at the New Oakhill Cemetery Chapel from 1 to 2 p.m., with services held immediately following at 2 pm. The Rev. Dr. Dean Fager of 1st United Methodist Church, will officiate.

Internment will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.
Memorial gifts in Dona’s memory may be made to the charity of the donor’s choice.

The Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, assisted with arrangements.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family through the funeral home’s Web site at: www.johnson-danielson.com.

**La June Welling Date of Death 10/30/2007**

LEITERS FORD — La June Welling, 81, of Leiters Ford, died at 8:10 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 30 at home.

She is survived by a son, Craig Brian Welling of Elkhart; daughter-in-law, Debra Welling-Adams; four grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and sisters: Dorothy Talbott of Monterey, Wilhelmine “Martha” Ginther of Washington, Bernice Hartz of Leiters Ford and Frances Bowersox of South Bend.

Funeral services are Friday, Nov. 2 at 2 p.m. in the Leiters Ford Community Church. Visitation is two hours prior to the service in the church. Burial will be at Leiters Ford Cemetery.

The Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, is in charge of the arrangements.

**Wilbur Amza Bordner Date of Death 10/31/2007**

BLOOMINGTON — Wilbur Amza Bordner, age 92, died at Golden Living Center, Bloomington, on Oct. 31. He was born Sept. 16, 1915 in Plymouth to Amza and Flossie (Kaufman) Bordner.

He lived all but the last four years of his life in Marshall County. In 1940, he married Betty (Eherenman) Bordner who survives and resides in Bloomington.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two younger brothers: Lowell and Gerald Bordner. He is survived by his three children: Bruce (Darla) Bordner of Wakarusa; Mauri (Marie) Bordner of Columbia City; Amee (Pete) Yoder of Bloomington and six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Bordner was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Plymouth and a 30-year member of the Plymouth Volunteer Fire Department.

He was owner-operator of Bordner Body Shop as well as several rentals including a storage business. He also had a towing business for several years.

His children want him remembered for his devotion to his family, his life of service, his commitment to his church and his hard work. He lost his father at age six, grew up during the depression and learned early-on the value of a dollar.

He was one of the original recyclers, repairing an item years past its life expectancy. He used duct tape in ways never thought of! Bordner could fix anything, often in very creative ways.

He enjoyed car races and worked on several race cars during his life. He thought Bloomington Speedway was one of the best tracks to watch a race; he enjoyed watching Jeff Gordon in his early years and was a fan of Kinser racing.

He and his sons watched many NASCAR races together.

Bordner’s 30 years as a volunteer fireman were years of dedicated service. He worked on fire trucks and was given a 1931 American LaFrance fire truck for his work repairing fire trucks at no charge.
He was also given a key to the city of Bloomington when he retired from the fire department.

His wife remembers and thanks him for his hard work, for putting her through college, for 67 years of marriage and giving her three wonderful children.

Contributions may be made to the Plymouth Fire Department Scholarship Fund or the Plymouth First United Methodist Church in care of Allen Funeral Home, Bloomington.

**Naomi J. (Ralston) Leland Quinn  Date of Death 10/31/2007**

WINTER GARDEN, Fla. — Naomi J. (Ralston) Leland Quinn, 75, of Winter Garden, Fla., died Wednesday, Oct. 31.

She is survived by sons: Larry L. Leland of Winter Garden, Fla. And Jeffry S. Leland of Warsaw; daughter, Casi J. Leland of Warsaw; and two grandchildren.

There will be no services.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of the Comforter.

**Berne O. Jones  Date of Death 11/1/2007**

ARGOS — Berne O. Jones, 92, Argos, formerly of Macy, passed away at 6:07 p.m. Thursday evening, Nov. 1, 2007 at his residence.

He was born Jan. 23, 1915 in Wabash County to Oliver and Georgia Eckelbarger Jones. He married Mildred A. Mathias Oct. 14, 1939, and she survives.

Berne retired from Norfolk and Western, having worked most of his railroad career for the Nickel Plate Railroad.

He was a member of Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church, Argos American Legion, Rochester O.E.S. No. 70, and the Lincoln Masonic Lodge No. 523, Macy and the North Miami Sheep Breeders Association. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, having served in Occupied Japan during World War II.

Survivors besides his wife include a daughter, Marvis A. Morgan and husband Jim, Argos; four sons, Berne L. Jones and wife Holly, Kooskia, Idaho, Glen E. Jones and wife Chris, Rochester, Dale L. Jones and wife Sherry, Oxford, and Carl D. “Pete” Jones and wife Ladeana, Peru; 13 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren and four step-grandchildren.

A brother, Francis Bernell "Shorty" Jones, preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held at McClain Funeral Home, Denver, with Pastor Wayne Balmer officiating.

Burial was in Greenlawn Cemetery, Mexico.

Memorial contributions may be made to Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church.

**Cora A. Lyons  Date of Death 11/1/2007**

Cora A. Lyons, age 77, of 109 Logan Street, Argos, Indiana, passed away at 8:50 p.m. on Thursday, November 1, 2007 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center in South Bend, Indiana.
Cora was born on August 14, 1930 in Plymouth, Indiana to James and Dorothy (Thomas) Hattery.
Cora and Frank Lyons were married on September 23, 1947.
Cora is survived by her husband, Frank; their son Dennis and Diana Lyons of Plymouth; her brothers, Donald Hattery of Plymouth and Leroy and Carol Hattery of Michigan City, Indiana; and two grandchildren. She was preceded in death by two infants, Ray D. Lyons and Kathy Lyons.
Funeral services for Cora will be held on Monday, November 5, 2007, at 2:00 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home with the Rev. Denise Anderson officiating. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.
A time of visiting with Cora's family will be on Monday, November 5, 2007, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth, Indiana, 46563.
Friends may sign the guest book and share memories of Cora at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com

Harvey A. Nickell  Date of Death 11/1/2007

ROCHESTER — Harvey A. Nickell, 82, of Rochester, died at 8:20 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 1, 2007 at Life Care Center of Rochester.
He is survived by sons: Richard L. Nickell and Ronald L. (Tina) Nickell, all of Rochester; daughter-in-law, Shirley Nickell of Port Charlotte, Fla.; five grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandson; sister, Helen Kelly of Rochester; and brother, B.R. Nickell of Logansport.
Visitation is Friday, Nov. 2 from 4 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to the service Saturday in the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Funeral services are Saturday, Nov. 3 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home.
Burial will be at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Military graveside rites will be conducted by the LeRoy Shelton American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars.
Memorials may be made to the Parkinsons Foundation or the Alzheimer’s Association.

James Kenneth Hooks  Date of Death 11/2/2007

ARGOS — James Kenneth Hooks, 55, Rural Street, Akron, and long-time Argos resident, died at 10:30 a.m., Friday, Nov. 2, at Life Care Center of Rochester.
Survivors include his son, Christopher and wife Kelli Hooks, Rochester; grandchildren, Carter and Kyndal Hooks, Rochester; and sister, Brenda Harrell, Athens.
Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Monday at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.
Burial will be at a later date at Athens Cemetery.
Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association or American Diabetes Association.

Eunice "Mae" Schooley  Date of Death 11/2/2007

BREMEN — Eunice “Mae” Schooley, 87, of Bremen, died at 9:45 p.m., Friday, Nov. 2 in Bremen Health Care Center.
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She is survived by two daughters, Rachel Lee (William K.) Schoolman, Sr. of Bremen, Sara K. Dunn of Osceola, one son, Walter D. Schooley of Culver, nine grandchildren and 23 great grandchildren.

Visitation will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 6 in Chapel Hill Funeral Home, 10776 McKinley Highway, Osceola.

Services will be held at 10 a.m., Wednesday in the funeral home with burial to follow in Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens, Osceola.

**Chance Burdell Menser  Date of Death 11/3/2007**

OILTON, Okla. — Chance Burdell "Bud" Menser, 83, of Oilton, Okla., formerly of Plymouth, passed away Saturday, Nov. 3, 2007 in Oilton, Okla. Bud was born Jan. 1, 1924 to the late Jess and Ester (Wright) Menser. Bud grew up in Plymouth and had lived in Bourbon, Colorado and Oklahoma.

Bud was married to Lillie (Aryes) Menser, who preceeds him in death. He then married Albeno (Walbridge) Menser, who survives.

He was a graduate of Plymouth High School. He worked for many years as a reporter for the Pilot News. Prior to working for the Pilot News, he was employed by Plymouth City Parks Department.

He was a WWII Army veteran and a past American Legion commander in Plymouth.

Bud is survived by his wife, Albeno; daughter, Barbara (Andy) Morris of Rensselaer; granddaughters: Teresa Morris, Patrice (Todd) Gehring and Susie (Jim) Reef, all of Indianapolis; sisters: Marjorie Kowaleski and Emma Lou Bollenbacher and Barb Pentelow, all of Plymouth; brother, Howard (Phyllis) Menser of Plymouth; sister-in-law, Joyce Menser; great-grandchildren: Haley, Jacob and Hunter; and many nieces and nephews.

Bud is preceded in death by his parents; first wife, Lillie; son, Bruce Menser; and a brother, Harry Menser.

Bud has donated his body to science and there will be no services at this time.

Jackson Funeral Chapel, Rensselaer, is handling the arrangements.

**Mary Lou Gerringer Hardin  Date of Death 11/4/2007**


She is survived by her husband, Jim; son, Jonathon Jaben Hardin III of Atlanta, Ga.; one grandson; two sisters; sister-in-law, Ida (Eugene) Chipman of Plymouth; and several nieces and nephews.

Memorial services will be held at Walnut Hills Baptist Church, Williamsburg, Va. on Sunday, Nov. 11.

Inurnment will be in the U.S. Naval Academy Columbarium, Annapolis, Md., at a later date.

**Betty J. Harrell  Date of Death 11/4/2007**

CULVER — Betty J. Harrell, 80, of Culver, died Sunday, Nov. 4 at Kosciusko Community Hospital.

She is survived by daughters: Jacque Middleton of Arkansas, Patricia Smith of Etna Green, Jerri Russell of Griffith, Pamela Harrell of Mentone, Ronda Gray of Arizona and Verlonda Burleson of Culver; son, Larry Harrell of Knox; 20 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; sisters: Fern Bane of Kentucky and Irene Harrell of Knox; and brothers: James Dilts of Knox and William Dilts of
Leon Andrew Schuler  Date of Death 11/4/2007

ANGOLA — Leon Andrew Schuler, 70, of Angola and previously Plymouth, went to be with our heavenly and gracious Father on Sunday, Nov. 4, 2007 at St. Joseph's Hospital in Fort Wayne.

Lee was born Nov. 11, 1936 in Boston, Mass. To Andrew and Virginia Schuler. On Nov. 20, 1965, he happily married Arlene Schuler (currently of Angola).

Mr. Schuler was a proud patriot and veteran of the United States Air Force serving in the Korean and Vietnam conflicts. Lee drove semi-trucks and then became an iron worker in the Gary area for more than 18 years, and helped in the construction and fabrication of the Sears Tower. He was a member of the Ironworkers' local #395. Living in Plymouth, Lee made many dear friends while working at Bomarko, Sellers Mfg. And Plymouth White Metals. Upon moving to Angola in 1994, he worked at Vestil Mfg. He was a welder/fabricator, and made welding into an art form. He enjoyed his friendships and mentoring many before retiring in 2005.

Lee enjoyed his family, coaching sports, horses, reading, metal crafting, telling humorous stories and attending sports events. He was a devoted and providing father, loving husband, grandfather and great-grandfather, and his family was always his top priority. He had a caring heart, strong mind, and was always willing to help others.

Surviving are his wife, Arlene of Angola; four sons: Doug (Pam) of Warsaw, Shawn (Jenny) of Rochester, Craig of Plymouth and Chris of Angola; three daughters: Becky (Ron) Brehmer of Crown Point, Laura Larimore of Portage and Rhonda (Billy) Wellsandt of Post Falls, Idaho; grandchildren: Sam Schuler, Matthew Schuler, Nathan Schuler, Chandaire Schuler, Steven Schuler, Angie Balmer, Scott Schuler, Crystal Schuler, Joshua Wellsandt, Brandy Hall, Cassie Larimore, David Hall, Chris Hall, Ron Brehmer Jr., Kate Brehmer, Tim Brehmer and Alli Brehmer; four great-grandchildren: Noah Brehmer, Aaron Brehmer, Desiree Hall, Asylyn Hall, and two others on the way.

Lee was preceded in death by his two parents; foster parents, George and Edna Hood; and three granddaughters.

Memorial services will be held at SonLight Community Church in Angola on Monday, Nov. 12 at 12 p.m. with Pastors John Willoughby and Jay Rhodes speaking. Any and all friends and family are encouraged to attend the celebration of Lee's life.

Memorials may be be made to the family c/o Chris Schuler.

Weicht Funeral Home, Angola, is in charge of the arrangements.


PLYMOUTH — Clifford Wayne Stacy Sr., 51, of Plymouth, died Sunday, Nov. 4.

He is survived by his wife, Cynthia A. (Harlacher) Stacy; daughters: Amanda Johnson of LaPaz and Keeley Stacy of Bass Lake; sons: Clifford W. Stacy Jr. of Mishawaka, Steve Stacy of Plymouth and Ethan Stacy of Bass Lake; five grandchildren; sister, Janet Herrera of LaPaz; and brother, Russell Stacy of Plymouth.
Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 9, in the Palmer Funeral Home, 314 S. Michigan St. Lakeville. Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday in the funeral home.

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LAPAZ — Clifford Wayne Stacy Sr., 51, of Plymouth passed away at 4:20 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 4, 2007 in his home after a courageous battle with cancer. He was born Feb. 29, 1956 in South Bend to Earl Wayne and Myrtle Eloise (Handley) Stacy and lived most of his life in LaPaz.

Mr. Stacy is survived by his wife, Cynthia "Cindy" F. (Harlacher) Stacy; two daughters: Amanda (Shane) Johnson of LaPaz and Keeley Stacy of Bass Lake; three sons: Clifford Wayne Stacy Jr. of Mishawaka, Steve (Leah) Stacy of Plymouth and Ethan Stacy of Bass Lake; three stepdaughters and one stepson; five grandchildren: Savannah, Megan, Adrian, MacKenzie and MaKayla; 10 step grandchildren; sister, Janet Herrera of LaPaz; a brother, Russell Stacy of Plymouth; and a very special cousin, Bonnie Ulrich of Inwood. A granddaughter, Madison preceded him in death.

Mr. Stacy was honorably discharged from the United States Army. He was self-employed for 32 years as a truck driver, was formerly employed by Bettcher Trucking and for the county and state highway departments in Marshall County. Mr. Stacy was a member of the American Legion Post 385 in LaPaz and the Teamsters Local 364 in South Bend. He loved to race and work on cars. His great passion was being a blue grass musician.

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 9, 2007 in the Palmer Funeral Home, 314 S. Michigan St. Lakeville. Minister James Handley will officiate. Burial and military services will follow at Fair Cemetery, North Liberty. Friends may visit with the family from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 8, 2007 in the funeral home.

Contributions may be offered to Riley Hospital for Children, 50 S. Meridian St., Suite 500, Indianapolis, IN 46204.

Gladden Robert Griggs  Date of Death 11/5/2007

SOUTH BEND — Gladden Robert Griggs, 50, passed away Monday, Nov. 5 at his home in South Bend from natural causes. He was born in Belle Glade, Fla. On May 8, 1957. He was the only son of the late Julian Gladden and Ruth (Warstler) Griggs.

He is survived by his wife and soul mate, Ann (Donohue) Griggs and three children: Gabriel (age 16), Nathaniel (age 13) and Olivia (age 11). Surviving family members include three sisters: Mrs. John (Anita) White, Mrs. Marian Ravenscroft and Mrs. Howard (Laura) Lamaster.

He graduated from Triton High School in Bourbon in 1975. He received a Bachelor of Science degree in psychology at Manchester College and then studied two additional years of pre-medicine courses at Manchester College. Instead of becoming a doctor, he worked as a psych tech at the Bowen Center in Warsaw and was the director of Russell House in Plymouth for several years.

He married his wife Ann in September of 1988 and has resided in South Bend since then. Ann is a nurse employed at Memorial Hospital of South Bend.

He later obtained a Bachelor of Science degree in mechanical engineering from the University of Notre Dame. He then was employed at Capital Technologies for 10 years as a machine designer and at Honeywell as a mechanical engineer in the aeronautical department for two years.

His last jobs included designing software and operating computer systems. He specialized in architectural landscaping computer-assisted drawing (CAD) with Ann's brother Dan Donohue. He recently co-created and designed a patent and trademark for charms, Gribbits.com, that can be attached to earphones, iPods, stethoscopes, heart monitors and pencils. Gladden dedicated
his life to his wife and children, and opened his heart and home to family, friends and those in need.

Visitation will be at Palmer Funeral Home in South Bend from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 9. A memorial service will be held at St. Matthews Cathedral at 9 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 10. Instead of flowers and plants, memorial contributions can be donated to the children’s college fund at TCU or St. Matthews School. For more details, contact the Palmer Funeral Home or TCU.

Nancy Joy Hartwell Date of Death 11/5/2007

PLYMOUTH — Nancy Joy Hartwell, 77, living at 805 Baker St., Lot 51, for the past three years, died, following a short illness of three weeks, in Indiana University Hospital, Indianapolis, at 11:59 a.m. on Monday, Nov. 5, 2007.

Nancy will be remembered as a joyful Christian woman who loved the Lord, her family — especially her three grandchildren and many friends. Next April would have marked 19 successful years as a kidney transplant recipient. She never knew the donor but always gave praise for this life saving gift.

Nancy was the daughter of Guy Joseph and Lena Mae (Howard) Edington. She was born at home in Ionia, Mich., on March 31, 1930.

She graduated from Ionia High School with the class of 1948, and from an Elkhart Trade School as a dental hygienist.

In spite of losing her wedding dress and the start of their new home to the great Plymouth flood, Nancy and Henry F. Hartwell were married on Oct.15, 1954, in South Bend.

Over a period of 15 years, Nancy worked as the dental hygienist for Dr. Arnold Dunfee Sr., and later Dr. Wm.Conger.

A devoted wife, mother, grandmother and homemaker, she enjoyed hosting big family dinners.

Talented in crafts of all kinds, she was the former owner of the Goshen Gift House. She enjoyed having been a 4-H mother, tending her garden and was a newly found Chicago Cub Fan. Her favorite show was “The Sound of Music,” and her favorite song, “Little Things Mean a Lot.” Nancy’s pet dog was an Australian shepherd-mix named Mayi.

She was a member of the Trinity United Methodist Church for more than 50 years and for many years she volunteered for “Meals on Wheels”, a program she helped to start with friend Sue Read.

She and her husband have enjoyed wintering in Frost Proof, Fla. Since 1999.

Nancy is survived by Henry, her husband of 53 years and by their two children: their son, Joe A. (Diane) Hartwell, Nappanee and grandson, Tyler and their daughter Jane L. (Jim) Williams, Plymouth, and granddaughters, Amanda and Abby.

A sister-in-law, Mary Jane Manual, Plymouth, and several nieces and nephews survive as well.

Nancy was preceded in death by her parents.

Friends are invited by her family to share memories and celebrate the life of Nancy Hartwell from 4 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 8, 2007, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth. Calling will continue after 7 a.m. Friday until time of services.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 9, 2007, in the funeral home. The Rev. Charles Krieg will officiate.
Interment will be in the New Oakhill Memorial Gardens, Plymouth.

Preferred gifts in Nancy’s memory may be made to the Indiana Kidney Foundation or to the Trinity United Methodist Church.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family via the funeral home’s Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com

PLYMOUTH — Nancy Joy Hartwell, 77, of Plymouth, died Monday, Nov. 5 at the I.U. Hospital, Indianapolis.

She is survived by her husband, Henry F. Hartwell of Plymouth; daughter, Jane L. (Jim) Williams of Plymouth; son, Joe A. (Diane) Hartwell of Nappanee; and sister-in-law, Mary Jane Manual of Plymouth.

Visitation is Thursday, Nov. 8 from 4 to 8 p.m. and after 7 a.m. on Friday at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth.

Funeral services are Friday, Nov. 9 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at the Memorial Gardens, Plymouth.

Memorials may be made to the Indiana Kidney Foundation or Trinity United Methodist Church.

Elizabeth June Lewandowski  Date of Death 11/5/2007

NORTH JUDSON — Elizabeth June Lewandowski, 71, of North Judson, died Monday, Nov. 5 at VNA Horton Hospice Center, Valparaiso.

She is survived by daughters: Mandy Trusty of Medaryville and Beverly Walters of Argos; sisters: Elvira Russell of Denham, Wilma Bradley of Knox and Linda Owens of Knox; brother, Ronnie Clemons of North Judson; six grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Wednesday, Nov. 7 from 4 to 8 p.m. CST at the O’Donnell Funeral Home Inc., North Judson. Funeral services are Thursday, Nov. 8 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Highland Cemetery.

Earnestine Mallory  Date of Death 11/5/2007

KNOX — Earnestine Mallory, 68, of Knox, died Monday, Nov. 5 at Starke Memorial Hospital.

She is survived by her husband, Neveal; daughter, Suzanne Gerretson of Knox; son, John Gerretson of Larkslane, Ky.; stepdaughter, Anna Currie of Pensacola, Fla.; mother, Marie Sparkman of Knox; nine grandchildren; many great-grandchildren; and a sister, Gerri Jensen of Knox.

Visitation is Tuesday, Nov. 6 from 4 to 8 p.m. and Wednesday one hour prior to the service at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel.

Funeral services are Wednesday, Nov. 7 at 11 a.m. CST at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Eagle Creek Cemetery, Knox.

Susan M. Korp Snedeker  Date of Death 11/5/2007

ARGOS — Susan M. Korp Snedeker, 36, of Argos, died Monday, Nov. 5.
ARGOS — Shayla N. Snedeker, 18, of Argos, died Monday, Nov. 5.

She is survived by a brother, Brennen Snedeker of Argos; grandparents, Paul and Catherine Korp of Puryear, Tenn.; and an uncle, Paul (Wendy) Korp Jr. of Knox.

Visitation is Thursday, Nov. 8 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the M.C. Smith Funeral Home, Knox.

Funeral services are Friday, Nov. 9 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will take place at Crown Hill Cemetery, Knox.


His death is under investigation by the Marshall County Coroner

Terry was born in Knox, the son of Walter Lee and Donna Ulrich Snedeker, on May 22, 1968.

He graduated from Plymouth High School with the class of 1988.

Susan Korp and Terry were married in Knox, Ind.

Terry worked for Hoosier Tire and Rubber Company as a machine operator for 18 years.

He loved going to garage sales, working on his car and taking family vacations. He was an avid fisherman, very artistic and enjoyed working in his yard.

He is survived by a son, Brennen Snedeker, Argos, and by his mother and stepfather, Donna and Larry Lemert, Hamlet.

Two brothers, Walter Ray (Patricia) Snedeker and Keith (Sher) Snedeker and a sister, Shelia (Odis) Shepherd, all of Plymouth, also survive together with a step-brother, Rusty Hanselman, Argos, and a step-sister, Nicole Lemert, Indianapolis.

George and Dorothy Ulrich, maternal grandparents, Grovertown, Ind., and Irene Salyers, a paternal grandmother, Orange County, Fla., survive as well.

Terry was preceded in death by his wife, Susan, and his daughter, Shayla. His father, Walter II and two grandfathers, Jim Salyers and Walter Lee Snedeker I, have also died.

Terry’s family invites friends to share their grief as well as good memories of him Saturday, Nov. 10, 2007, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services will follow visitation at 2 p.m. in the funeral home. The Pastor John B. Lowe of the New Life Christian Church, Warsaw will officiate.

Memorial gifts may be made to the Brennen Snedeker Memorial Fund.
Wilson Hancock  Date of Death 11/6/2007

PLYMOUTH — Wilson Hancock, 83, of 716 North 4th Street, Plymouth, passed away, Tuesday, Nov. 6, 2007, at his home.

Wilson was born July 7, 1924 in Boma, Tenn., to George and Celia Hancock. Virginia Minx and Wilson were married in 1947. She passed away on July 15, 2001.

Wilson was in the tree trimming business for 30 years and worked for the Marshall County Highway Department for seven years. He had been a resident of Plymouth for the past 23 years and lived in Argos before moving to Plymouth.

Wilson is survived by his children: John and Yvonne Hancock of Saint Augustine, Fla., Woody and Fran Hancock of Warsaw, Betty Lou Marshall of Florida, Shirley and Herbert Carty of Kentucky, Pat and Richard Brady of Kentucky, Priscilla Woods of Tennessee, Janice and Tom Emerson of Tennessee, Earsel and Caroline Minix of Culver and Paul and Margaret Minix of LaPorte; seven grandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his son, Gilbert Hancock and by his brother, Johnny Hancock.

A time of visiting with the family, will be Friday, Nov. 9, 2007, from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison Str., Plymouth, IN, 46563.

The funeral service will be Saturday, Nov. 10, 2007, at 10:30 a.m., at the Van Gilder Funeral Home. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Family and friends are invited to sign the guest book and share memories of Wilson with his family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com

Margaret Ellen "G.G." Widmar  Date of Death 11/6/2007

BREMEN — Margaret Ellen “G.G.” Widmar, 96, of Bremen, died Tuesday, Nov. 6 at 12:05 a.m. at the Community Hospital of Bremen.

Survivors include her daughter, Joyce (Douglass) Miller of Bremen; two grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Services will be held Thursday, Nov. 9 at 10 a.m. at Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen. Burial will follow at the Bremen Cemetery. Visitation is from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Marshall County Community Foundation or the First United Church of Christ in Bremen.

Theodore "Ted" Louis Johnson  Date of Death 11/7/2007


Ted was born on April 11, 1937 in Donaldson to Samuel M. and Leota (Guise) Johnson.

Ted served his country in the Army for three years and spent many years as a truck driver, primarily in the Midwest.

Ted is survived by his wife, Jan; six children, Kerry (Sandy) Johnson, Kris (Lisa) Johnson, Kathy (Hal) Lewis, Kelli (Chris) Corrente, Kelly (Paula) Peterson, and Tracy (Galen) Reinholt; 15 grandchildren: Ryan (Nancy), Michael, Julie, Kassidy, Jamie, Cody, Niki, Christy, Logan, Brooke, Jacob, Luke, Calvin, Cole, and Anastasia; two great-grandchildren: Riley and Kaiden; his brothers and sisters: Robert Johnson, Anna Marie Powell, Sam Johnson, Dean Johnson, Jimmy
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Johnson, and Sharon Hurford.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his brother, Herbie Johnson; and his sister, Rose Geisler.

Visitation will be Saturday, Nov. 17, 2007, from 11 a.m. to noon at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth.

A memorial service will be held at noon at the Van Gilder Funeral Home. Burial will be in the Swedish Cemetery in Donaldson.

Memorials may be given to the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, 112 South Center St., Plymouth, IN, 46563.

Family and friends may sign the guest book and share memories with Ted's family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com

Elizabeth Miller  Date of Death 11/7/2007

BREMEN — Elizabeth Miller, 93, of Bremen, died at 4:45 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 7 at home.


Visitation is after 12 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 8 and all day Friday, Nov. 9 at the family residence.

Funeral services are Saturday, Nov. 10 at 9:30 a.m. at the Sam Kauffman residence, 1595 B Rd., Bremen.

Burial will be in Weldy Cemetery.

Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee, is assisting with the arrangements.

Callie Opal Williams  Date of Death 11/7/2007

PLYMOUTH — Callie Opal Williams, 98, of 635 Oak Hill Ave., Plymouth, passed away, Wednesday, Nov. 7, 2007, at 1:15 p.m. at Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth.

On April 20, 1909, Callie Opal O’Dell was born to Franklin and Margaret (Phelps) O’Dell in Big Cabin, Okla.

Callie and Walter R. Williams were married on July 4, 1930. Walter passed away on Sept. 8, 1982.

Callie was a member of the Pretty Lake Trinity United Methodist Church, Plymouth; past member of the Rebekah Lodge, Richland Center; and had belonged to the Old LaPorte Club, Plymouth. She worked as a cook for Parkview Hospital in Plymouth. She was a 1928 graduate of Plymouth High School and lived in the Marshall County, Indiana, area almost all of her life.

Callie is survived by her children: Ruth and Herbert Wathen of Plymouth; Mary Lee Rudd of Plymouth; Jean and Ronald Wintrode of Indianapolis, John and Dawn Williams of Mentone and Diana and Tim Twiss of Fort Wayne; 18 grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren; and seven great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; her son, Walter Williams Jr.;
six brothers; three sisters; and her son-in-law, Dr. Ned Rudd.

A time of visiting and sharing memories of Callie with her family, will be Friday, Nov. 9, 2007, from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison St., Plymouth, IN, 46563, and also one hour prior to the funeral service, from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m., at the church.

The funeral service will be Saturday, Nov. 10, 2007, at 2:30 p.m. at the Pretty Lake Trinity United Methodist Church, 8985 S.R. 17, Plymouth, with the Rev. Michael Dixon officiating. A private family burial will be held in South Germany Cemetery in Fulton County, Indiana.

Memorial donations may be made to the Pretty Lake Church or to the choice of the donor.

Family and friends are invited to sign the guest book and to share memories of Callie on our Web site at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com

**Betty Kathryn Day Date of Death 11/8/2007**

PLYMOUTH — Betty Kathryn Day, 87, of 15216 Yorkshire Drive, Plymouth, passed away Thursday, Nov. 8, 2007, at Pilgrim Manor Nursing Home, Plymouth.

Betty was born Jan. 20, 1920 to Carl and Marjorie (Morrow) Hansen in Plymouth. She had been a resident of Plymouth, all of her life.

On Aug. 11, 1938 in Culver, Betty became the bride of Richard M. Day. Dick and Betty had been married for 69 years.

Betty and Dick owned and operated Day’s Grocery, on Highway 30, for 35 years and also a store in Tyner, for 17 years. Betty was a member of the Faith Baptist Church, Plymouth and a graduated of Plymouth High School in the Class of 1938.

Betty is survived by her husband, Richard M. Day, Sr.; their daughter, Sharon (J.D.) Dorman of Cape Coral, Fla.; their sons; Richard Day, Jr. (Martha) of Plymouth and James (Diane) Day of Bloomington; seven grandchildren, Teresa (Joe) Lovell of South Bend, Melanie (Keith) Onash of Cape Coral, F., Ronald (Lori) Day of Plymouth, Valerie (Shawn) McLochlin of Plymouth, Jon (Angela) Day of Bourbon, Bryan (Greta) Day of South Bend and A.J. (Tammy) Day of Bloomington; 10 great-grandchildren; two step-great-grandchildren; two sisters-in-law, Elaine Hansen of Plymouth and Clara Hansen of Culver. Betty was preceded in death by her parents, two brothers, and a great-grandchild.

A time of visiting with Betty’s family, will be on Tuesday, Nov. 13, from 11 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

Funeral services will begin at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 13, at Van Gilder Funeral Home with Pastor Paul D. Whitworth, of the Faith Baptist Church, officiating. A private family burial will be held in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Family and friends are invited to sign the guest book and share memories with the family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com.

**Edgar Marion DeWitt Date of Death 11/9/2007**

LAFAYETTE — Edgar Marion DeWitt, 77, of Lafayette, died in his residence after battling lung cancer since 2006.

He was a resident of the area since 1959.

Edgar was born in Royal Center on Dec. 26, 1929 to the late Leo Virgil and Laura Fern Schlegelmilch DeWitt.
He graduated from Richland Center High School in 1948. He married Imogene Ruth Hartle on April 24, 1949 and she preceded him on Dec. 24, 2002.

Edgar worked construction through the Labors Union Local 274 and retired after 51 years in 1990. He also retired as a full-time security guard from Jefferson High School at the same time.

He previously worked the assembly line building Studebakers for six years. He enjoyed collecting old cars and still owned a 29’ Chevrolet that he enjoyed working on.

Surviving are three sons Charles “Chuck” V. (wife Aleshcha) DeWitt of Plymouth, Lawrence “Larry” E. (wife Cheita) DeWitt and David “Dave” B. DeWitt (companion Lori Louks) and a daughter Jeanie German (companion Roy Moore) all of Lafayette; two sisters Juanita Chapman of Royal Center, Anita Cooper of Phoenix Ariz., a brother Daniel “Dan” (wife Mary Lou) DeWitt of Rochester.

Also surviving are 15 grandchildren and 27 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a brother, Delbert DeWitt and a sister, Bonita DeWitt.

Friends may call two hours prior to the 2 p.m. service Tuesday at Hippensteel Funeral Home with Pastor Doug Jividen of Plymouth Baptist Church officiating and interment to follow at Tippecanoe Memory Gardens.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Share memories and condolences online at Hippensteelfuneralhome.com.

**Jeffrey Hann  Date of Death 11/9/2007**

SURPRISE, Ariz. — Jeffrey Hann, 21, Gunners Mate United States Navy, Norfolk, Va, died unexpectedly Friday, Nov. 9 aboard the U.S.S. Ashland.

He was born to Carl and Peggy (Lemke) Hann in Walnut Creek, Calif. On Sept 24, 1986.

He is survived by his parents who now reside in Surprise, Ariz. And his sister Katie Hann also of Surprise.

He was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents Earl and Virginia Lemke.

Services were held in Arizona Nov. 17. Another memorial will be held in California on Dec. 8.

Donations can be made to the Life Net Health Foundation 1864 Concert Dr., Virginia Beach, VA 23453 or your local donor organization. Many lives have been saved by the donation of Jeffrey's organs.

His ashes were buried at the Arizona National Military Cemetery.

Twiford Funeral Home, Chesapeake, Va., handled the arrangements.

**Doris E. Hindman  Date of Death 11/9/2007**

ARGOS – Longtime Argos High School educator, Doris E. Hindman passed away at her home on Friday, November 9, 2007. Doris died of natural causes at the age of 92. She always appreciated the Argos Community and the attention she received from colleagues and friends alike.

Doris was born in Viola, Illinois on October 31, 1915, the daughter of James Robert “J.R.” and Carrie (Black) Reynolds. She was raised in Rushville, Ill. And there graduated from high school.
She received her higher education from Western Illinois University at Macomb where she had the distinction of interviewing the famed aviator, Amelia Earhart for a journalism class. She graduated with a teaching degree with a major in Biology and minor in English.

On July 7, 1943 in Seattle, Washington she married Clifford Stanley Hindman who was stationed there in the U.S. Army’s last Horse Cavalry Division.

After living for a period of time in Ohio the couple moved to Argos in 1957 and raised their two sons. Doris would first teach English at Talma High School with a total of 53 students. She went on to teach at Bourbon and retired in 1978 after many years of service at the Argos High School.

She was an honored member of Delta Kappa Gamma an international society of women educators and a member of the Indiana Retired Teachers Association.

Prior to the passing of her spouse on June 30, 1987 the couple enjoyed attending horse shows and traveling – especially when returning to the beautiful Northwest.

Doris enjoyed the company of many friends. She attended exercise class, working with Braille for the Blind, and watching many spectator sports; her favorite being that of Notre Dame.

With a great appreciation for literature, Doris was an avid reader and served many years on the Argos Library Board.

Her surviving family members are; her two sons: Richard R. and wife Rebecca Hindman of Fairmount, Ind. And Barry E. and wife Diane Hindman of Indianapolis, Ind. Eight grandchildren include: Cameron R. Hindman, Colin E. Hindman, Tyler A. Hindman, Monica Ottman, Lezley Hindman, Krystal Burlingame, Bobbie Jo Steidinger and Adam Buttry along with 13 great-grandchildren.

Doris’ grandson; Christian S. Hindman and sister; Vivian Kuderna have also preceded her in death.

Friends are invited to join the family to celebrate her life on Tuesday, November 13, 2007, from 2 – 4 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth. A service will follow visitation at 4 p.m. in the funeral home with the Rev. Philip Platz, pastor of the Argos Bible Church, where Doris attended worship services.

Burial will be in the Rushville Cemetery at Rushville, Ill.

Memorial gifts in Doris’ memory may be given to the charity of the donor’s choice.

Words of condolence and memories may be shared with the family through the Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com

Dolly B. Hoover Date of Death 11/9/2007

PLYMOUTH — Dollie B. Hoover, age 86, of 635 Oak Hill Avenue, Plymouth, passed away at 7:05 a.m., Friday, Nov. 9, 2007, at Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth.

Dollie was born on April 23, 1921, in West Township, Marshall County, to Lloyd and Ruth (Wilson) Abair. Dollie and Warren D. Hoover were married Nov. 7, 1941. They lived their entire lives in the Marshall County area. Together they raised their two children.

Dollie was a wife, homemaker, and a stay-at-home mom. She enjoyed spending time with her family, making quilts, and baby quilts, through the church. She encouraged her children, by telling them they could be or do anything they put their minds to.

Dollie was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church, Plymouth; the Baby Quilting Club, at the church; and later worked for the Plymouth School Corporation, in the cafeteria.
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Dollie is survived by her loving husband of 66 years, Warren D. Hoover; their son, Phillip and Jane Hoover of Boise, Idaho; their daughter, Linda Woodall of Orlando, Fla.; five grandchildren; and her sisters, Beatrice Mertens of Muncie and Alice Opal of Richmond. She was preceded in death by her sisters, Shirley Morlock and Virginia Abair; and her brother, Donald Abair.

Funeral services for Dollie will be held Wednesday, Nov. 14, at 10:30 a.m. at the Trinity United Methodist Church, 425 S. Michigan St., Plymouth, with Michael Burroughs officiating. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

A time of visiting with the Hoover family, will be on Tuesday, Nov. 13, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, IN 46563 and from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at the church prior to the funeral service.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Trinity United Methodist Church.

Family and friends are invited to sign the guest book and share memories of Dollie, on the Web site at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com.

Kent E. Lucas  Date of Death 11/9/2007

CULVER — Kent E. Lucas, 54, of Culver, died Friday, Nov. 9 at home.

He is survived by his parents, Cecil and Joan Lucas of Culver; brother, Kurt O. Lucas of Culver; and sister, Karen Lucas of South Bend.

There will be no visitation. Funeral services are Saturday, Nov. 17 at 2 p.m. at the Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver.

Burial will be private.

Memorials may be made to the Culver-Union Township Public Library.

Bill E. Wieringa  Date of Death 11/9/2007

CULVER — Bill E. Wieringa, 56, of Culver, died Nov. 9, 2007 at the St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

He is survived by his parents, William L. and Nita J. of Culver; two brothers: Larry A. (Cindy) Wieringa and Chuck (Susie) Wieringa of Knox; and two sisters: Mary (Michael) Guyse of Syracuse and Connie (Ron) James of Ora.

Visitation will be held, Monday, Nov. 12 from 4 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to services Tuesday, Nov. 13 at 1 p.m. at Bodine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver.

Burial will be at Culver Masonic Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to St. Joseph Regional Medical Center’s Oncology Center, Plymouth. Letters of condolence may be sent via e-mail at www.bonineodom.com.

Keith L. Weldon  Date of Death 11/10/2007

WALKERTON — Keith L. Weldon, 60, of Walkerton, died Nov. 10 at his home after an illness.

He is survived by his mother, Lilly of Walkerton; five sisters: Sarah Robinson of Walkerton, Dianna Pointon of Plymouth, Rose Heck of Ober, Bonnie Armentrout of Hamlet, Kathy Weldon of Hamlet; three brothers: Rolland of Inwood and Rick and Mark of Walkerton.
Visitation will take place on Tuesday, Nov. 13 from 4 to 8 p.m. and Wednesday, after 11 a.m. until services at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel.

Funeral Services will take place Wednesday, Nov. 14 at 1 p.m. Burial will follow at Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

**Willodean Brown  Date of Death 11/11/2007**

ROCHESTER — Willodean Brown, 88, of Rochester, died at 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 11 at home.

She is survived by her husband, Robert Brown; son, Gerald “Jerry” (Cheryl) Brown of Rochester; eight grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; five great-great-grandchildren; and brothers: Virgil (Norma) Wagoner of Rochester, Cletis (Beverly) Wagoner of Leiters Ford and Cleon Wagoner of Plymouth.

Visitation is Tuesday, Nov. 13 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, and one hour prior to services Wednesday at the church.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, Nov. 14 at 2 p.m. at Hillcrest Baptist Church, Rochester.

Burial will be at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Hillcrest Baptist Church, Rochester.

**Herman D. Holloway  Date of Death 11/11/2007**

MENTONE — Herman D. Holloway, 98, of Mentone, died at 5:30 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 11 at Life Care Center of Rochester.

He is survived by a daughter, Patricia (Jim) Vigar of Madera, Calif.; sons: Paul (Sharon) Holloway of Rochester and Mike (Barbara) Holloway of Mentone; eight grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Wednesday, Nov. 14 from 4 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to services Thursday at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Funeral services are Thursday, Nov. 15 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

**LeeAnne Hundt  Date of Death 11/12/2007**

PLYMOUTH – LeeAnne Hundt, 13490 West 5th C Road, Plymouth, died of natural causes at 11:45 a.m., on Monday, Nov. 12, 2007, in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

LeeAnne was 47-years-old. Born in Tucson, Ariz. On Aug. 21, 1960, she was the daughter of Bill Self and Dee Anne Shake.

A graduate of Laramie High School, she received her bachelor’s degree in nursing at IUSB.

On June 25, 1978, in Laramie, Wyo., Lee Anne and Gene Hundt were married.

She worked as a nurse in the Michiana Behavioral Health Care and as a travel agent at the Elite Travel Agency.

A beautiful, active woman, she loved to spend time with her grandchildren and friends. She enjoyed dancing, camping and bowling.

An Indianapolis Colts and Notre Dame fan, she enjoyed watching the games and cheering for
her teams.

She was an avid reader and liked to travel.

She gave generously of her time and talents to her friends, neighbors and community.

In 2002, LeeAnne was given the Community Leadership and National Leadership Award. She was named as a Who’s Who Among University Students in 1992-1993 and had also been honored with an American Red Cross Fund Raising and Services Award.

LeeAnne is survived by Gene, her husband of 29 years, and by their two children: a son Chad, and daughter, Trisha and Jesse Hemminger, all of Plymouth. Three grandchildren and one more on the way survive as well.

LeeAnne’s mother and step-father, Dee and Francis Shake of Arizona and her father and step-mother, Bill and Rama Self of Colorado, also survive, together with a sister and three brothers. They are Debbie (Vince) Johnson of Arizona, David (Reasa) Shake of Arizona, Devlon (Michele) Self of Georgia, Shannon and Largwin of Georgia, and Randy (Shari) Self of Tennessee.

LeeAnne’s family invites friends to come and share memories and celebrate her life from 3 to 8 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 16, 2007, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Visitation is from 3 to 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 16 in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 17 at the funeral home. John Kreischer will officiate.

Burial will be in the New Oakhill Cemetery.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family via the funeral home’s Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com

Betty E. Morse  Date of Death 11/12/2007

ELKHART — Betty E. Morse, 82, of Elkhart, died at 4:23 p.m. Monday, Nov. 12 at Riverside Village.

She is survived by her husband, Albert M. Morse of Elkhart; sons: Robert L. Foley of Ellennton, Fla. And John E. Foley of White Pigeon, Mich.; three grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; seven step-children; 17 step-grandchildren; 30 step-great-grandchildren; and a brother, Ira L. Schwyn of Coloma, Mich.

Visitation is Thursday, Nov. 15 from 4 to 6 p.m. at Walley-Mills-Zimmerman Funeral Home & Crematory, Elkhart. Funeral services are Friday, Nov. 16 at 1 p.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Rice Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association.

Cynthia Gene Scroggs Tanner  Date of Death 11/12/2007


Cynthia Tanner leaves behind her cherished husband of 13 years, William (Bill) Tanner of Plymouth; brothers: Douglas (Jan Velting) Scroggs of South Bend, Donald (Lorraine) Scroggs of Portland, Tenn., John Scroggs of South Bend; and sister, Bonnie (Joseph) Sima of South Bend.
Cynthia attended the First Seventh-Day Adventist Church and Junior Academy in South Bend, and graduated in 1968 from Indiana Academy in Cicero. She worked as a swing manager and in Public Relations for McDonald’s Restaurants in South Bend, for 36 years.

Our big sister will always be loved and missed until Jesus comes and we will all be reunited.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 17, at the Palmer Funeral Home-River Park, 2528 Mishawaka Ave., South Bend, with Edna Jean Knox officiating. Graveside services and burial will follow at Southlawn Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 16 at the funeral home.

Contributions may be offered to The Center for Hospice & Palliative Care, Inc., 111 Sunnybrook Court, South Bend, IN 46637.

Mary M. Good  Date of Death 11/13/2007

MONTEREY — Mary M. Good, 83, of Monterey, died at 9:19 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 13 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

She is survived by daughters: Dixie Good of Rochester and Debbie (Patrick) Machamer of Winamac; sons: Don (Margaret) Good of Monterey and Dean (Gwen) Good of Monterey; 10 grandchildren; brother, Chester Sparks; and two sisters-in-law: Onda Good of North Manchester and Pauline Good of Monterey.

Visitation is Friday, Nov. 16 from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, and one hour prior to the services in the church Saturday. Funeral services are Saturday, Nov. 17 at 10 a.m. at Monterey United Methodist Church.

Burial will be at Riverside Cemetery, Monterey.

Memorials may be made to the Don and Mary Good Scholarship Fund or to the Monterey United Methodist Church.

Eugene E. Keck  Date of Death 11/13/2007

SOUTH BEND — Eugene E. Keck, 81, of 20762, Roycroft Drive, South Bend, passed away Tuesday, Nov. 13, 2007, at 11:32 a.m., at Hospice House in South Bend.

Gene was born on July 24, 1926, in Bremen to Alfred and Zelma (Yenna) Keck. Gene served his country during WWII in the Navy. Iris Couts and Eugene Keck were married on May 21, 1948. Gene worked for Conrail as a chief train dispatcher out of Chicago, Ill.

Gene is survived by his wife, of 59 years, Iris; their daughter Angie (Kent) Arnsbarger of North Liberty; their son Terry Gene (Tammy) Keck of Florida; his brother, Forest Laudeman of Bremen; his sisters: Margaret Smith of South Bend, Shirley Thomas of Mishawaka and Irene Sims of Texas; five grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his son, David.

Funeral services will be held Friday, Nov. 16, 2007, at 2 p.m., at Van Gilder Funeral Home in Plymouth.

A time of visiting with the family will be Friday, Nov. 16, 2007, from noon to 2 p.m., at Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, IN, 46563. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Friends may sign the guestbook and share memories of Gene at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com.
Iona M. Cole  Date of Death 11/14/2007

NORTH JUDSON – Iona M. Cole, 68, of North Judson, died Wednesday, Nov. 14 at the Arthur & Ethel Horton VNA Hospice Center in Valparaiso.

She is survived by her mother, Helen Borton of New Carlisle; children: Velma Zehr of Middlebury, Nancy Cole of Hanna, Cecelia Moroni of Knox, Mark Cole of Knox and Luke Cole of Hebron; siblings: James Borton, Terry Borton, Carl Borton and Dale Borton, all of North Liberty, Keith Borton of Walkerton, Glen Borton, Merle Borton, both of South Bend, Lynn Borton of Walkerton, Alma Free of South Bend and Zella Luallen of Galesburg, Ill.; 12 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Sunday, Nov. 18 from 1 to 5 p.m. CT at the M.C. Smith Funeral Home in Knox. Funeral services are Monday, Nov. 19 at 10 a.m. CT at the First Baptist Church of Knox.

Burial will be at Highland Cemetery, North Judson.

Memorials may be made to Arthur & Ethel Horton VNA Hospice in Valparaiso or the Goshen Cancer Center.

Helen Jeanette Hughes  Date of Death 11/14/2007

WALKERTON — Helen Jeanette Hughes, 80, of Walkerton, passed away Wednesday, Nov. 14 in Pilgrim Manor, Plymouth. Mrs. Hughes was born April 2, 1927 in Mt. Greenwood, Ill. to Henry Dill and Mary Hester (Donnelly) Reed and lived in the area for 20 years, coming from Chicago. On April 26, 1947 in Watseka, Ill. she was married to James T. Hughes Sr., who preceded her in death. She was also preceded in death by her parents, three sisters and two brothers.

Survivors include five children: Irene (David) Mikesell of South Bend, Janyce (Claude) Ogle of Walkerton, James Jr. (Coleen) Hughes of South Bend, Mary (Ernest) Rollings of Plymouth and Edward Sr. (JoAnn) Hughes of Walkerton; sister, Teresa (Ed) Holderness of Florida; 14 grandchildren: Lynn Mikesell of South Bend, Tracy (Jay) Burks of South Bend, Claude (Michelle) Ogle of Bourbon, Natalie Ogle of Walkerton, Rhonda Ogle of Walkerton, Kimberly Hughes of South Bend, Melissa Hughes of South Bend, Stephanie Hughes of South Bend, Jeanette Rollings of Plymouth, Thomas Rollings of Plymouth, Marie-Celeste Berkman of Alaska, Michelle Lilla of California, Edward Hughes Jr. of Walkerton and Angelica Hughes of Walkerton; 15 great-grandchildren: Merle, Kaitlyn, Derek, David, Dustin, Allie, Erin, Robert, Brandon, Shawn, Christina, Austin, Jessica, Emma and Colby.

She was a homemaker, a member of St. Dominics Church of Koontz Lake, a member of the Ladies Guild of the church and advisor to Rural Youth Club of St. Joseph County.

Funeral services will be Saturday at 7 p.m. ET at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel. Friends may call Saturday from 3 p.m. ET until the time of services at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be given to the donor’s choice.

Vickey Mahler  Date of Death 11/14/2007

CULVER — Vickey Mahler, 57, of Culver, died at 1:50 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 14 at home.

She is survived by her husband, Larry Mahler; daughters: Toni Makikowski, Christine Farlow, Heather Fairchild and Bridgette Blankenship; nine grandchildren; stepmother, Bonnie (Harold) Bagley; sisters: Lori VanDerweele and Cindi Ross; and brother, Jeff McKinney.

There will be no visitation. A memorial service will be held Saturday, Nov. 17 at 3 p.m. at Grace United Church of Christ in Culver. Cremation will take place.
Memorials may be made to JESSE, P.O. Box 418, Plymouth, IN 46563.

Elkhart Cremation Services is in charge of arrangements.

William F. Niere  Date of Death 11/17/2007

BREMEN — William F. Niere, 72, of Bremen, died at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, South Bend on Saturday, Nov. 17, at 2:54 p.m.

Survivors include his Wife: Wanda of Bremen, one daughter: Willett (Larry) Hooten of New Carlisle, one son: Martin (Irma) Niere of Bremen, three grandchildren: Kristina Niere of Warrenville, Ill., Dillon Hooten of New Carlisle, Katelyn Hooten of New Carlisle, one sister: Joan (John) Nickelson of South Bend.

Services will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 21, at 2 p.m. at Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen.

Burial with full military rites will follow at Bremen Cemetery.

Friends may call one hour prior to the service on Wednesday at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Helen Alfreda Sherrill  Date of Death 11/17/2007

Psalm 116:15: "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints"

Helen Alfreda Sherrill, 85, devoted Christian, loving wife, mom, sister, grandma, great-grandma and great-great-grandma was chosen by God, her heavenly Father, to live with Him in Heaven on Saturday, Nov. 17, 2007.

Helen was born on July 13, 1922 in Nebraska to Earl and Laura (Johnson) Schmuck. She married Eugene A. Sherrill in 1942 in South Bend and lived there most of her life. As a woman of prayer and a faithful member of First Baptist Church of Mishawaka, she served the Lord as a High School Youth Sponsor, Sunday School and Vacation Bible School Teacher, AWANA Sparks Leader, and was active in Women’s Ministries and the Sew and Reap and Tabitha Ladies Missionary Groups besides opening her home for a ladies Bible study.

Surviving family members left to cherish her memory are her children, Virginia (Bernard) Berg of Wayland, Mich., Eugene (Karen) Sherrill of Mishawaka, Patricia Ann (Paul) Holderman of Bremen, Richard (Kathi) Sherrill of Warren Mich., and Patricia Jean Emigh; 20 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; 5 great-great-grandchildren and a sister, Wilma (Wilbert) Swartz of Lincoln, Neb.

God blessed us with the best mom, sister, grandma and friend that anyone could ever have. She took pride in taking care of her family, home, church, friends and anyone in need. We are thankful to have had her as a wonderful example in our lives. Helen touched so many lives and will be greatly missed by all.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; brothers, Eugene, Leland and Bud; a son, Ronald Sherrill; a foster daughter, Betty and a grandson, Adam Sherrill.

Helen’s family would like to give special thanks to and express appreciation to all of the nurses and caregivers who helped take care of her at the Miller’s Merry Manor in Plymouth.

The family will receive friends from 2-4 and 6-8 pm Tuesday, Nov. 20 at the Bubb Funeral Chapel, 3910 N. Main St., Mishawaka, IN., The funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 21 with one hour visitation prior at the First Baptist Church 724 N. Main St.
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MISHAWAKA, IN, with Rev. David Miller and Rev. Richard McCartney officiating. Burial will is to follow the service at Chapel Memorial Gardens, in Osceola, IN.

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

John 3:16: "For God so loved the world the world, that He gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

Marvel M. Zimmerman Date of Death 11/17/2007

BREMEN — Marvel M. Zimmerman, 94, of Bremen died Saturday, Nov. 17 at the Bremen Health Care Center.

Marvel was born Oct. 27, 1923 in Beloit, Wis. To Earl and Mildred (McMahon) Lyons. She moved to Bremen in 1977 from North Liberty.


She was a member of the Community Baptist Church in South Bend and was a cook at the University of Notre Dame infirmary.


She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Jay and husband Ralph, two sons: Robert and George, four sisters and three brothers.

Services will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 21, at 10 a.m. at Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen.

Burial will follow at Southlawn Cemetery, South Bend.

Friends may call from 5-8 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 20, and one hour prior to the service on Wednesday, at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to Bremen Health Care Center.

Aaron Sigler Hardin Date of Death 11/18/2007

NORTH JUDSON — Aaron Sigler Hardin, 22, of North Judson, died Sunday, Nov. 18 at Starke Memorial Hospital.

He is survived by his fiancee, Kayla Campbell of North Judson; father, Ray Hardin of Monterey; mother, Rose Martin of Bremen; son, Alexander Isaiah Hardin of North Judson; grandfather, Avie Hardin of Toto, brother, Jesse Hardin of Bremen; half brothers: Joey Elder of Knox and Cody Dunfee of Bremen; stepbrothers: Larry, Mike and Greg Sanderson of Monterey; half sister, Nicole Hardin of Kokomo; and stepsister, Jeannie Sanderson of Knox.

Funeral services are Wednesday, Nov. 21 at 1 p.m. at Braman & Son Memorial Chapel, Knox.
Burial will be at Highland Cemetery, North Judson.

**Isaiah A. Sellers  Date of Death 11/18/2007**

PLYMOUTH – Isaiah A. Sellers, 18, died Nov. 18, 2007 in the Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center Plymouth Campus, at 12:02 pm.

He was born in Plymouth on Oct. 25, 1989, the son of John and Dawn McHargue Sellers.

He presently attended Plymouth High School as a senior, with the class of 2008.

Isaiah loved the Cubs and the Bulls. Being a Mark Martin fan, he enjoyed watching NASCAR. He also enjoyed swimming and loved watching the fireworks at the Blueberry Festival.

He is survived by his parents, a brother Jeremiah Sellers and Kelly, three sisters: Alicia, Victoria, and Kayla (Shawn) all of Plymouth, two nieces: Jaydn and Isabella, and a nephew Colton. Grandparents Robert and Susie Sellers, and Margaurite McHargue, all of Plymouth survive as well, along with numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Isaiah was preceded in death by his grandfather Arnold McHargue and an Uncle John.

Friends may visit with Isaiah’s family and share memories of him, at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, on Tuesday, Nov. 20, 2007, from 4 to 8 p.m.

Funeral services for Isaiah will be on Wednesday, Nov. 21, 2007, at 1 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home. Rev. John Perkinson and Rev. Jim Patrick will officiate.

Internment will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Letters of condolence may be sent to his family through the Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com

**Elmer M. Stiles  Date of Death 11/18/2007**

PLYMOUTH – Elmer M. Stiles, 88, a lifelong resident of Plymouth, died of natural causes on Sunday, Nov. 18, 2007, at 8:35 p.m. in his home, Plymouth.

The son of Charles and Mary (Lowry) Stiles, Elmer was born in Plymouth on July 15, 1919 and attended Plymouth schools.

On June 3, 1946, in Plymouth, Elmer and Myrtle F. Geller were married. Myrtle died on July 19, 1999.

Elmer was a truck driver for Marshall County Beverage for 36 years. He retired in 1981.

He loved to hunt and work outside in his yard.

Elmer is survived by four sons and three daughters. His sons are Elmer D. (Alice), Donald E. (Diane), Richard (Hatsuko), and Delmas M. (Marcia) Stiles, all of Plymouth. Two daughters are from Plymouth: Betty J. Sarna and Sheryl K. (Karl) Johnson. Wanda J. Stiles lives in Connecticut.

Sixteen grandchildren and numerous great and great-great grandchildren also survive together with many nieces and nephews.

Elmer was preceded in death by six brothers, four sisters and one grandson, Damon Stiles.

Elmer’s family will receive friends from 5 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 21, 2007, at the
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Michael Ryan Tremaine  Date of Death 11/18/2007

PLYMOUTH — Michael Ryan Tremaine, 29, died Sunday, Nov. 18, at his home.

Survivors include his wife, Julie A. (Dove) Tremaine, his daughter, Jessica K. Rose-Tremaine and sons, Timothy M., Austin D., Ryan J. and Landon R. Tremaine, all of Plymouth. His parents, Michael J. and Sandra K. (Chally) Tremaine and sisters Stacy L. and Brittney A. Tremaine of Plymouth also survive, along with his mother-in-law, Carol A. Dove of Plymouth.

The family will receive friends on Friday, Nov. 23 from 4 to 8 p.m. in Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth. A mass of Christian burial will be held at St. Michael Catholic Church, Plymouth, on Saturday at 10 a.m. Burial will be at New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the childrens’ trust fund.

PLYMOUTH – Michael Ryan Tremaine, 29 a lifetime resident of Plymouth, passed away at his home, on Sunday, Nov. 18, 2007.

The son of Michael J. and Sandra K. (Chally) Tremaine, Mike was born in Plymouth, on Jan. 21, 1978. He was Baptized and Confirmed in St. Michael Roman Catholic Church, where he attended grammar school. He graduated from Plymouth High School with the class of 1997 where he played in varsity football and baseball.

On Dec. 31, 1999, in Plymouth, Mike and Julie A. Dove were married.

He liked the outdoors and had worked for Gardenview Landscaping, Inc. of Plymouth and recently in production for the Polygon Company of Walkerton.

Mike enjoyed country and oldies music and fishing with his children and helping coach their T-ball and basketball teams. He was a sportsman who loved golf, followed NASCAR and the Indianapolis Colts. Mike was also a member of the Plymouth Country Club and the Plymouth Bowlers Association.

He is survived by his wife, Julie, and five children: a daughter, Jessica K. Rose-Tremaine and four sons: Timothy M., Austin D., Ryan J. and Landon R. Tremaine, all of Plymouth.

Mike’s parents, Mike and Sandy Tremaine and his mother-in-law, Carol A. Dove, all of Plymouth, also survive together with two sisters, Stacy L. Tremaine and Brittney A. Tremaine, both of Plymouth, and a brother, Jason D. Johnson, Oswego, Ill.

Lois L. Smith, Oswego, Ill., Mike’s maternal grandmother, also survives together with his maternal grandfather, Robert M. Chally, Louisville, Ky., and Joseph L. Tremaine, paternal grandfather, Maple Park, Ill. And Maria Tremaine, paternal grandmother, Aurora, Ill.

Several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends also survive Mike’s passing.

Friends are invited by Mike’s family to share memories and celebrate his life with them on
Friday, Nov. 23, 2007, from 4 to 8 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 24, 2007, in St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church, 613 N. Center St., Plymouth. The Rev. Father William Kummer will officiate.

Burial will follow in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Mike’s memory will benefit the Tremaine children at any Lake City Bank.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family through the Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com

Carolyn M. Coplen Kowalski  Date of Death 11/19/2007

Carolyn M. Coplen Kowalski passed away at home in Ormond Beach with her family on Nov. 19. She was born on Feb. 2, 1948 in Plymouth.

She is survived by her beloved husband Tom; her parents, Carl and Betty Coplen of Avon Park, Fla.; her two sons: Levi LeDuc of Ormond Beach and Tagg LeDuc of Severna Park, Md. Also, her two sisters: Pat Bodensteiner and her husband Don of Rapid City, S.D., Cathie Gorden of Daytona Beach and her brother Gerald Coplen of Dowagiac, Mich. As well as many nieces and nephews.

Carolyn graduated from Butler University in Indianapolis. In her early years, she showed a desire for involvement in different organizations as well as undertake new and challenging activities. One of these earlier accomplishments included getting her private pilots license and flying a floatplane on remote lakes in northern Maine. Her later years showed much involvement in the local community. In addition to her position as Mortgage Loan Officer with Contemporary Mortgage, she was involved with the Arlington Garden Club, the Executive Women's Golf Association, the Daytona Beach Board of Realtors, the Woman’s Council of Realtors, the Halifax River yacht Club, and Adopt-A-Child of the Daytona Beach Board of Realtors. As a member of the yacht club, Carolyn held the position of commandeer as well as chairman for many events. Additionally, as member of the yacht club, she raced and won many sailboat races. These sailboat races and her presence on the ocean led her to be drawn to the Caribbean where she was at peace the most. The British Virgin Islands is a place in this small world that captured the love of someone with such a large heart.

In memory of Carolyn Kowalski and the life she led, a memorial service was held Nov. 26 at Lohman Funeral Home on 733 W Granada Blvd, Ormond Beach, Fla. At 3 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Hospice of Volusia / Flagler and Adopt-A-Child with the Daytona Beach Board of Realtors.

Linda L. Combs  Date of Death 11/20/2007

KNOX — Linda L. Combs, 65, of Knox, died Tuesday, Nov. 20 at LaPorte Hospital.

She is survived by a daughter, Angela (Alan) Harrington of LaPorte; son, Mark (Amanda) Combs of Knox; six grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and sisters: Nancy Brown and Pat Boggs, both of LaPorte.

Visitation is Friday, Nov. 23 from 4 to 8 p.m. (CT) at Souls Harbor Church, North Judson, and Saturday, Nov. 24 after 11 a.m. (CT) at the church.

Funeral services are Saturday, Nov. 24 at 1 p.m. (CT) at the church.
Marjorie V. Madden  Date of Death 11/20/2007

PLYMOUTH — Marjorie V. Madden, 87, of 1011 West Harrison St., Plymouth, passed away at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 20, 2007, at Miller's Merry Manor, Plymouth.

Marjorie was born Aug. 8, 1920 in Inwood to Loyd and Minnie (Gerrard) Conner. Marjorie and Paul J. Madden were married Dec. 1, 1939 in South Bend. Together they raised their four children. Paul preceded Marjorie in death on Sept. 9, 2000. They had been residents of the Marshall County area all of their lives.

Marjorie will be sadly missed by her family, who were so proud of her, for obtaining her G.E.D. at age 73. Marjorie enjoyed sewing and crocheting as well as many other talents she shared with her family. She retired from R.R.Donnelley and Sons, Warsaw, as a production clerk.

Marjorie is survived by her daughters: Paula and Tim Wilson of Plymouth and Sharon and Jack Lambie of Plymouth; her sons: Tom and Rita Madden of Indianapolis and James and Jan Madden of South Bend; eight grandchildren: David Lambie of Connecticut, Paul Lambie of Indianapolis, Jason and Julie Madden of Indianapolis, Justin and Lisa Rentz of Plymouth, Holly Madden of Indianapolis, Wendy and Keith Koch of Indianapolis, Angela Rentz of South Bend, and Amanda Rentz of Missouri; three great-grandchildren: Logan Koch, Addison Koch, and Bailey Madden all of Indianapolis; her sister, Valerie Smith of Inwood; and several nieces and nephews.

Marjorie was preceded in death by her husband, Paul; her sisters: Marcile Ritter, Phyllis Grubbs and Zenith Gibson; her brothers: Karl Gibson, Milton Gibson and Edward Gibson.

Funeral services for Marjorie will be held Saturday, Nov. 24, 2007, at 1:30 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home in Plymouth. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

A time of visiting with the Madden Family, will be Saturday, Nov. 24, 2007 from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth.

The Madden Family would like for memorial contributions be given to the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, 112 South Center Street, Plymouth, IN, 46563.

Friends may sign the guest book and share memories with the Madden family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com

Shirley N. Fulton  Date of Death 11/21/2007

ROCHESTER — Shirley N. Fulton, 73, of Rochester, died at 3 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 21 at home.

She is survived by daughters: Vicki (James) Onstott of Rochester, Ronna L. (Ralph) Graham of Roanoke Rapids, N.C. and Jill (Glen) Buttrim of Washburn, Mo.; sons: Alan A. (Vicki) Fulton of Rochester, David W. (Linda) Fulton of Akron and Dennis D. (Debbie) Fulton of Bourbon; 17 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; sister, Beverly Ryan of Syracuse; and sister-in-law, Roberta Fulton of Warsaw.

Visitation is Friday, Nov. 23 from 5 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to the service Saturday at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Funeral services are Saturday, Nov. 24 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.
Memorials may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County.

**Hoy Manns  Date of Death 11/21/2007**

KNOX — Hoy Manns, 87, of Denham, Ind. died Wednesday, Nov. 21 at Wintersong Village Nursing Home.

Born May 17, 1920 in Breathitt Co., Ky., to Nero and Eunice (Risner) Manns, he was married to Joy (Rowe) Manns in his home county March 4, 1938. His wife preceded him in death.

A retired coal worker, he is survived by a daughter, Judy Cloud, of Winamac; son-in-law Bob Minix of North Judson; daughter Dorothy Dunn, of Denham; daughter Kathy Minix, of Knox; son Adam Manns, LaPorte; son Burl Manns of North Judson; and son David Manns, of Sommerset, Ky. In addition to his wife, a daughter, Ora Lee Minix, and a son, Garland Manns, precede him in death.

Visitation is 4 to 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 23, at Braman & Son Memorial Chapel, Knox. Services will be officiated by the Rev. Arnold Minix at the funeral home Saturday, Nov. 24, 1 p.m. Burial at Denham Cemetery.

**Marsha A. (Christman) Neiwender  Date of Death 11/21/2007**

PLYMOUTH — Marsha A. (Christman) Neiwender, 47, of Plymouth, died at 4:43 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 21, at her home after battling a long illness.

Marsha is survived by her mother, Pasty Torres of Fort Wayne; her father, Larry Christman of Plymouth; her children, Subrena Smith of Decatur, Etta Sammartano of Bourbon, Samantha Dodson, Heather Harmon, Cory Swope and Brittney Swope, all of Plymouth, and Billy Swope of Inwood; seven grandchildren; and eight brothers and sisters.

There is no visitation or funeral service.

Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, is in charge of the arrangements.

**Kay L. Smith  Date of Death 11/21/2007**

ORLANDO, Fla./CULVER — Kay L. Smith, 60, passed away Wednesday, Nov. 21, 2007. She was born in Plymouth on April 17, 1947 to Le Roy and Lorraine Thomas. Le Roy preceded her in death. She graduated from Culver Community High School in 1965 and was also a graduate of Indiana State University and Purdue University.

Kay was a longtime resident of Orlando, Fla. And a professor of English Literature for 28 years at Valencia Community College. She enjoyed traveling, books and movies/theatre/especially Shakespeare and the many versions of "Hamlet" and gave a variety of presentations all over the country.

She is survived by her mother, Lorraine Thomas of Culver; two sisters: Bev (Nick) Knoerzer of Morocco and Joyce (Evan) Lowry of LaPorte; two brothers: Greg Thomas of Kewanna and Bob (Gwen) Thomas of Argos; numerous nieces, nephews, aunts, an uncle, cousins and friends.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Hospice of your choice or to the American Cancer Society. Kay will be greatly missed by her loving family and many friends.

As was her wish, a private service will be held at a later date.

The Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, is in charge of the arrangements.
Richard W., Sr. McNeal  Date of Death 11/23/2007

PLYMOUTH — Richard W. McNeal Sr., 66, of Plymouth died Friday, Nov. 23 following an illness.

He is survived by daughters, Frances Kratzchmar of Oregon, Barbara and Benny Cripe of Ligonier, Lisa Huddleston and friend Kevin Stewart of Bourbon; and sons, Richard McNeal, Jr of Ligonier and Woodward McNeal II of Ligonier; and 11 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

Sisters Shirley LaBere of Walkerton and Kate Ward of Knox and brother Gene McNeal of Plymouth also survive.

Visitation is Tuesday, Nov. 27 from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. at New Oakhill Cemetery Chapel, Plymouth.

Services are Tuesday at noon at the chapel. Burial will be at New Oakhill Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Parkview Hospice of Noble County.

Frances M. Miller  Date of Death 11/23/2007

ROCHESTER — Frances M. Miller, 85, of Rochester, died Friday, Nov. 23 at Hickory Creek, Rochester.

She is survived by one daughter, Christine Miller LaRoche of Bloomington, one son, John “Phil” Miller of Lake Worth, Fla., three sisters, Elvira and Gerald Romine of Mentone, Julia Faulkner of Bremen and Charlotte and Richard Massey of Hot Springs, Ark., one brother, Edward and Juanita King of Rochester, along with several nieces and nephews.

Visitation is from 9 to 11 a.m. Wednesday in the Good Family Funeral Home.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday in the funeral home.

Burial will be at Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Bruce R. Scott  Date of Death 11/23/2007

PLYMOUTH — Bruce R. Scott, 57, of Las Vegas, formerly of Plymouth, triumphed over cancer and went home to his God and to be with his parents, Ed and Barbara, and his in-laws, Irene and Joe Campeau, on Friday, Nov. 23, at 2:51 p.m. Bruce remains in spirit with Susie, his wife of 26 years, and his children, Ashley and Brett.

Bruce was born in Montague City, Mass., on Dec. 5, 1949. He graduated from Plymouth (Indiana) High School in 1968 and worked for Air Canada, PSA and U.S. Air/U.S. Airways in Chicago, LA, Las Vegas and South Bend.

Smiles, grins and good feelings are left in Bruce's path. All he met remember that he lived by the philosophies that "If we couldn't laugh, we would all go insane." And he allowed all of us to smile. He filled our lives with his love of photography and music — especially the Sorry Brothers Band.

His sister, Teddy, brothers Bob, Tim and Phil, along with all of his friends and extended family joined with Susie, Ashley and Brett to remember him and celebrate his gifts to their lives in a funeral Mass at St. Viator on Tuesday, Nov. 27, 2007, at 11 a.m. God Bless him.

Peter A. Nicodemus  Date of Death 11/24/2007

AKRON — Peter A. Nicodemus, 85, of Akron, died at 1:15 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 24 at Lutheran Hospital, Ft. Wayne.
He is survived by his wife, Frances Nicodemus of Akron, one daughter, Charlotte Givens of Akron, one granddaughter, one great-granddaughters and three sisters: Lucile Lewis of Kewanna, Louise Nicodemus of Akron and Grade Edgar of Atlanta, Mich., as well as nieces and nephews.

Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. Wednesday and one hour prior to services in the funeral home Thursday.

Services are at 10 a.m. Thursday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester with the Rev. Terry Canfield officiating.

Burial will be at Athens Cemetery.

Military graveside services will be conducted by the LeRoy Shelton American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Viola Fern Gross  Date of Death 11/25/2007

PLYMOUTH — Viola Fern Gross, 90, died at 7:30 a.m. on Sunday, Nov. 25, 2007, at the home of her daughter in South Bend.

The daughter of Howard A. and Mary E. Lambert Snider, Viola was born on Feb. 14, 1917, at Deer Creek, Ind. A resident of the Plymouth and LaPaz areas most of her life, she had attended West High School.

Viola had worked as an Aide in area nursing homes. She liked to keep busy and spent her time crocheting, doing volunteer work at Garden Courts West and for REAL Services. She also enjoyed playing the piano, and had played at the North Salem Church of God for several years and at the Plymouth Moose Lodge, where she was a member of the Women’s auxiliary.

A loving mother, Viola is survived by five daughters, two sons and numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren. Her children are: Shirley (Cliff) Bean of Mishawaka; Leroy Gross of Walkerton; Barbara (Harry) Fisher of Plymouth; Janet Boyer of South Bend; Linda Johnson of Phoenix, Arizona; Mary (Jerry) Krick of Plymouth; David Gross of South Bend and Dale (Tammy) Gross of Rochester.

Four sisters and a brother survive as well. They are: Betty Jean Mitch of Ft. Wayne; Joann Dillman of Ohio; Donna Martin of Churbusco; Mildred Books of Plymouth and Manford Snider of Ft. Wayne.

She was preceded in death by her parents, three sons: Rodger, Wilbur and Frank; and two brothers: Donald Snider and Verlie Snider.

Viola’s family invites her friends to come and celebrate her life and share memories with them on Tuesday, Nov. 27, 2007 from 4 to 8 p.m., and after 7 a.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 28 at the Johnson Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth. A Women of the Moose memorial service will be held at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, in the funeral home.

Funeral services, officiated by Rev. Charles Krieg, will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday in the funeral home.

Interment will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Viola’s memory may be made to Moose Heart or Hospice.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family through the funeral homes’s internet service: www.johnson-danielson.com

Clarence R. Pippenger  Date of Death 11/25/2007
Clarence R. Pippenger, 89, died Sunday, Nov. 25, 2007 at his home in New Canaan, Conn. Born June 4, 1918, in Nappanee, he was the son of the late Clayton and Dinah Frazier Pippenger.

He graduated from Michigan State University in 1941 with a degree in Electrical Engineering. After additional training at MIT, he served in the European theatre in World War II and was involved in the early development of radar technology. Following the war, he pursued a career in engineering for 20 years, before starting a construction business. Friends will remember that he was always ready for a good conversation about adapting equipment for special construction needs.

Mr. Pippenger is survived by his wife of 66 years, Jennie Tanner Pippenger of New Canaan; a son, Richard A. Pippenger of Danbury, Conn.; two daughters, Jeanne L. Bech of New Canaan and Phyllis A. Jensen of Colorado Springs, Colo.; a brother, James Pippenger of Cedar Rapids, Iowa; eight grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

A funeral service will be held on Friday, Nov. 30, 2007 at the New Canaan Methodist Church, South Ave, New Canaan at 11 a.m. Interment will follow at Lakeview Cemetery, New Canaan.

There will be no calling hours.

Hoyt Funeral Home, 199 Main St. New Canaan, Conn. Is in charge of arrangements.

Annabelle (Harbaugh) Youngman  Date of Death 11/25/2007

Annabelle (Harbaugh) Youngman, 86, of Elkhart died at home on Sunday, Nov. 25, 2007 at 1:15 p.m.

She is survived by daughters: Patricia Tague, and Deborah Davis, both of Elkhart; son, Charles (Karen) Youngman; and step-son, Gerald (Penny) Youngman, both of Goshen; step- sister, Bonnie Bope of Plymouth; sisters-in-law: Helen Harbaugh of Elkhart, Lou Gordon of Bremen and Anna Ruth Hall of Plymouth; 12 grandchildren; 26 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 28 at Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth.

Burial will follow in the New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorials may be given to Elkhart Valley Church of the Brethren, 24955 CR24, Elkhart, IN 46517.

Herbert L. Zechiel  Date of Death 11/25/2007

WYATT — Herbert L. Zechiel, 86, of Wyatt, died Sunday, Nov. 25, 2007, at his residence.

Survivors include his wife: Ruth; daughter, Kay (Bob) Harrell, of Maineville, Ohio; sons: Lee (Susan) Zechiel, of Gurnee, Ill. And Rev. Tim (Marie) Zechiel, of Steelville, Ill.; seven grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren.

Services will be held Friday, Nov. 30, 2007, at 11a.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Woodland. Burial will follow at St. Paul Cemetery in Woodland. Visitation is from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday at Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen and one hour before the service at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Woodland.

Memorials may be made to St. Paul Lutheran Church, 15697 New Road, Mishawaka, IN 46544 (Woodland) or the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, 111 Sunnybrook Court, South Bend, IN 46637.
Harvey E. Phillips  Date of Death 11/26/2007

INDIANAPOLIS — Harvey E. Phillips, 67, of Indianapolis, passed away Nov. 26, 2007. He was born in Plymouth to Harvey E. and Frances (Hanes) Phillips. Harvey was a president of R.F. Young Company, who were manufacturer representatives for 34 years. Harvey was a 1958 graduate of Plymouth High School. He participated in all varsity sports and was the senior class vice president. Mr. Phillips was a 1963 graduate of Indiana University where he was a member of Sigma Nu fraternity. He was also a member of the Indiana Alumni Association and served as a member of the Indiana National Guard.

Mr. Phillips is survived by his wife, Sally J. (Mellish) Phillips; his step-mother, Mildred Phillips; and his sister, Stephanie Mackey.

Funeral services will be held at Feeney-Hornak Keystone Mortuary, 71st at Keystone on Wednesday, Nov. 28 at 6:30 p.m. Friends may visit the mortuary Wednesday from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Memorial contributions may be given to the American Cancer Society or to the Community Hospital Hospice Program.

Mr. Phillips stated: I feel blessed to have grown up in Plymouth and thanks to all my friends in the Plymouth community for all of their cards and prayers.

There will be a celebration of Harvey's life with friends at Pat's Bar in LaPaz Nov. 29 at 6:30 p.m.

Kenneth L. South  Date of Death 11/26/2007

LAKEVILLE — Kenneth L. South, 81, of Lakeville, died at 11:25 p.m. Monday, Nov. 26 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, South Bend.

He is survived by a sister, Ellen Seltzer of South Bend and companion Michael Quinn of South Bend.

There will be no visitation. Private graveside services will be held Wednesday, Nov. 28 at Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos.

The Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos, is in charge of the arrangements.

Vivian Caldwell  Date of Death 11/27/2007

LAPAZ — Vivian Caldwell, 89, of LaPaz, died Tuesday, Nov. 27 at Pilgrim Manor Nursing Home, Plymouth.

She is survived by her husband, Harvey Caldwell of LaPaz; daughter, Linda Galloway of Mishawaka; two grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; sisters: Marge Bowen of Plymouth, Audrey Keller of Ft. Wayne and Phyllis Rinkingberg of Ft. Wayne; and a brother, Dennis Maxson of Plymouth.

Visitation is Thursday, Nov. 29 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth. Funeral services are Friday, Nov. 30 at 1 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorials may be made to Cornerstone Community Fellowship Ministries.

Geno B. Nannini  Date of Death 11/27/2007

CULVER — Geno B. Nannini, 63, of Culver, passed away at 12:10 p.m. on Nov. 27 at home with
his loving wife, Jan, by his side. Geno was born in Chicago, Ill. on Jan 14, 1944, one of four children born to Giuseppe and Anita Nannini.

After graduating high school and attending college, he worked as a design engineer. On Dec. 20, 1974 he married the love of his life, Jan Byas, in Chicago.

A patriotic man, Geno served in the National Guard Reserves. He was also a member of Wesley United Methodist Church, Culver. He spent the last 20 years buying and renovating homes.

Geno is survived by his wife, Jan of Culver; daughters: Christine (Bob) Klimczak of Chicago Heights, Ill. And Janet Kelly (George Sipich) of New Lenox, Ill.; grandchildren: Starr, Jeff, Erik, Alex, Jordan, Jack, and Juliana; brother, Richard (Diane) Nannini of Berwyn, Ill.; and son-in-law, Dennis Foley of Evergreen Park, Ill.

He was preceded in death by his parents, daughter, Debbie Foley, and sisters: Esther Zebig and Theresa Simak.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, Dec. 1, 2007 at 2 p.m. EST at the Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, where friends may gather to share memories with the family from 10 a.m. EST until the service time. Rev. Bryan Siefert will officiate. Burial will follow the service at the Culver Masonic Cemetery.

Memorials may be given to the American Cancer Society. Condolences may be sent to the family via the obituary page of www.bonineodom.com.

Monte L. Utter  Date of Death 11/27/2007

KEWANNA — Monte L. Utter, 64, of Kewanna, died at 4 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 27 at Pulaski Memorial Hospital.

He is survived by his wife, Marcia Utter of Kewanna; daughters: Jeanne (Kevin) Goble of Fairmont and Misty Hayden of Logansport; son, Monte L. Utter Jr. of Marion; sister, Diana (Ken) Garrison of Valdosta, Ga.; brothers: Stanley (Joan) Utter and Devon Utter, all of Rochester; and three granddaughters.

Visitation is Thursday, Nov. 29 from 4 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to the service Friday at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Funeral services are Friday, Nov. 30 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at the Kewanna IOOF Cemetery. Military graveside rites will be conducted by the LeRoy Shelton American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Memorials may be made to the family.

Beatrice M. Dunsizer  Date of Death 11/28/2007

Beatrice M. Dunsizer, 89, of Hilliard, Ohio, formerly of Plymouth, died Wednesday, Nov. 28, 2007, at the Millrun Rehabilitation Center in Hilliard.

Survivors include her sons: Stanley Dunsizer of Columbus, Ohio and Steven Dunsizer of Plymouth; and her daughter, Janice Dawes of Wabash.

Graveside services will be held Saturday, Dec. 1 at 11:30 a.m. at the Everest Cemetery Chapel in Logansport.

Van Gilder Funeral Home, Plymouth, is handling the local arrangements.


He is survived by a daughter, Connie Carpenter McIntosh; son, Gary D. Feltis; several grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

Memorial services will be held Monday, Dec. 3 at 11 a.m. at the Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, with visitation from 10 to 11 a.m. Burial will follow at McKinley Gardens Cemetery, Winamac.

Memorials may be made to Mt. Hope Church, Culver.

Robert L. Jones  Date of Death 11/28/2007

PLYMOUTH — Robert L. Jones, 82, of Plymouth, died Wednesday, Nov. 28 at the Catherine Kasper Life Center, Donaldson.

He is survived by his wife, Helen (Ganshorn) Jones of Plymouth; daughters: Patricia (Phil) Nelson of Orange, Calif., Janet Willyerd of Plymouth, Cindy (Steve) Fishburn of Rochester; son, Rick (Pamela) Jones of Plymouth; 10 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; sister, Lucille Wooley of Warren, Ohio; and brothers: Charles (Joyce) Jones of Plymouth and Ralph Jones of Donaldson.

Visitation is Saturday, Dec. 1 from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth. A private family service will be held at a later date.

Burial will be at New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorials may be made to the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care.

Robert E. Ferguson  Date of Death 11/30/2007

SOUTH BEND — Robert E. Ferguson, 80, of Niles, passed away Friday evening, November 30, 2007, surrounded by his family at Memorial Hospital in South Bend, after a brief illness.

Robert was born in Inwood, on April 28, 1927 to the late Charles and Villa Fern (Nellons) Ferguson.

He loved his country and served proudly in the United States Army during WWII and the Korean War.

Robert met and wed the love of his life Lena Woodlee at a ceremony in South Bend, on March 7, 1952.

Robert worked for the Bendix automotive Company for over 32 years as a riveter before retiring. He also was very involved with the Post #26 American Legion where he counted it an honor to perform burial rites for other veteran’s who have passed. He was well known by many people all over the community because Robert never knew a stranger and could strike up a conversation with anyone. He treasured his family and was a loving husband, wonderful father, and a remarkable grandfather.

Preceding him were his parents, a brother Melvin Ferguson and a sister Bernice Ott.

Robert was survived by wife, Lena, his daughter Pamela of Niles, his three sons; Ronald (Vincenza) Ferguson of Niles, Robert (Lynn) Ferguson of New Whiteland, Ind., and Rick Ferguson of Arlington, Texas. Four brothers; Clifford (Barb) Ferguson of Plymouth, Donald (Avalee) Ferguson of Plymouth, Lloyd (Linda) Ferguson of New Albany, Floyd (Carol) Ferguson of Plymouth, Indiana, two sisters Violet Ham and Marjorie Albright both of Plymouth, eight grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.
A time of visitation will be Tuesday, Dec. 4, at Mission Hills Memorial Chapel from 3 to 7 p.m.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, Dec. 5, at 12 p.m. with one hour of visitation prior at Mission Hills Memorial Chapel, 61453 M-51 with the Reverend Billy Reed officiating.

Those wishing to make a memorial contribution in lieu of flowers may do so to the American Heart Association 208 S. LaSalle Street #900 Chicago, Illinois 60604 or the American Diabetes Association P.O. Box 7023 Merrifield, VA 22116.

Condolences may be left for the family at www.BrownFuneralHomeNiles.com.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Brown Funeral Home and Cremation Services and also Mission Hills Memorial Chapel.

Kenneth Dean Heckathorn  Date of Death 11/30/2007

FULTON — Kenneth Dean Heckathorn, 91, of Monticello, died Nov. 30, 2007 at 12:30 p.m. at White County Memorial Hospital, Monticello.

He is survived by a daughter, Penny (Dave) Yeakley-Scott of Monon, Ind.; two sons: Freddie K. (Marlee) Heckathorn of Celina, Ohio and Jerry D. (Rhonda) Heckathorn of Rochester; six grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren and one great, great-grandson.

Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Monday, Dec. 3 and one hour prior to the funeral service Tuesday, at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 4 with burial to follow at Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Fulton County United Ministry. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com. This e-mail address is being protected from spam bots, you need JavaScript enabled to view it.

Glen D. Law  Date of Death 11/30/2007


Visitation will be Dec. 24 at 10 a.m. at the Church of Christ of Rochester with a memorial service following at 11 a.m.

Memorials made be made to Church of Christ of Venice, 4301 St. Rd. 776, Venice, FL 34293 or Church of Christ of Rochester, 120 E. 5th St., Rochester, IN 46975.

Mildred J. Leed  Date of Death 11/30/2007

SOUTH BEND — Mildred J. Leed, 74, of 327 B Woodies Lane, Bremen, passed away Friday, Nov. 30, at 2:15 p.m., at Memorial Hospital, South Bend.

Mildred was born July 7, 1933, in Pulaski, Tenn., to Albert and Katherine (McCormack) Griggs. She worked for several factories and restaurants and made a lot of friends while working. Gerhardt O. Leed and Mildred were married in 1949. They had five children.

Mildred was a member of the Seventh-Day Adventist Church, Plymouth.

Mildred is survived by her daughter, Linda (Paul) Dyer of Culver; her son, Gary (Carol) Leed of Walkerton; her daughter, Brenda Leed of Plymouth; her daughter, Lori (Joe) Manning of Bourbon; her son, Mark (Angela) Leed of Plymouth; her brothers, Clifford (Joy) Griggs of
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Decatur, Mich., James (Sharon) Griggs of Dowagiac, Mich., E. Wayne (Sally) Griggs of Dowagiac, and Jack (Donna) Griggs of Dowagiac; 11 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her brother, Buford Griggs.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday, Dec. 4, at 1 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home in Plymouth.

Burial will be in Fair Cemetery, LaPaz.

A time of visiting with the family, will be on Tuesday, Dec. 4, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Plymouth Seventh-Day Adventist Church, 11533 7B Road, Plymouth, IN, 46563.

Friends may sign the guest book and share memories with the Leed family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com

Brent Ray McCloughan  Date of Death 11/30/2007

ROCHESTER — Brent Ray McCloughan, 42, of Rochester, died Friday, Nov. 30 at 6:30 p.m. at his residence.

He is survived by his parents, Ted and Lynda McCloughan of Cromwell and Bradenton, Fla.; two sisters, Kim McCloughan of Sarasota, Fla. and Anita and Chris Shultz of Huntington; two brothers, Rod and Dyan McCloughan of Sarasota, Fla. And Darren and Jenny McCloughan of Warsaw; his maternal grandmother, Dixie hunter of Rochester; and to nieces and seven nephews.

Visitation is from 5 o 8 p.m. Tuesday and one hour prior to services in the Good Family Funeral Home Wednesday.

Services are at 10 a.m. Wednesday at the funeral home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Pastor Mark Kline.

Military rites will be conducted by the LeRoy Shelton American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign War, both of Rochester.

Lucille Parcell  Date of Death 11/30/2007

SYRACUSE — Lucille Parcell, 86. of Syracuse died at 8 p.m. Nov. 30 at home.

She is survived by her daughters: Jane (Bill) Musser of Syracuse, Jan (Lee) Barnhart of South Bend, Vicky Blosser of Syracuse; son Jim (Gena) Parcell of Columbus, Ind; eight grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; sisters: Marjorie Roeder of Bremen, Phyllis (Ken) Walters of Nappanee and brothers: Robert (Brenda) Guard of Arcadia, Fla., and Dean (Sally) Guard of Nappanee.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Peggy Baumgartner; a son, Larry Lakins; a grandson, Bunky Musser; sister, Dolly Corwin and brothers, Wayne and Paul Guard.

Visitation will be on Tuesday, Dec. 4 from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee.

Services will take place on Wednesday, Dec. 5 at 11 a.m. and burial will follow at the Bremen Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Wawasee Lakeside Chapel.
Lillian H. Rinesmith  Date of Death 11/30/2007

CULVER — Lillian H. Rinesmith, 87, of Culver, died Friday, Nov. 30 at 5:39 p.m. at Miller’s Merry Manor, Culver.

She is survived by two nieces: Pam and Jeff Thornburgh of Leesburg and Patti Phillips of Warsaw.

Visitation will be at the Bonine-Odom Funeral Home in Culver Tuesday, Dec. 4 from 1 to 2 p.m. Services will be at the funeral home Tuesday at 2 p.m.

Burial will be at Culver Masonic Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Salvation Army.

George R., Sr. Holl  Date of Death 12/1/2007

PLYMOUTH — George R. Holl Sr., 80, of Plymouth, died Dec. 1, 2007 at his residence.

He is survived by a son and daughter-in-law, Dr. George Robert H. “Rob” and Sally J. Holl, Jr of Plymouth, and a daughter, Denise R. Holl, Danbury, Conn, as well as two grandsons, two brothers and six nieces and nephews.

Visitation is from 5 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 5 at Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Services are at 10 a.m. Thursday at the funeral home with services conducted by Father John Schramm, pastor of St. Thomas Episcopal Church and Tom Padberg, chaplain of the Marshall County Hospice and Palliative Care.

Burial will be in Roseland Memorial Park, Terre Haute.

Memorials in George’s memory may be made to the Marshall County Humane Society or St. Thomas’ Church.

Condolences may be sent via the funeral home’s Web site at www.johnson-danielson.com.

Karen Marie Gross  Date of Death 12/2/2007

AKRON – Karen Marie Gross, 41, a former resident of Akron, passed away at her Logansport residence at 1 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2, 2007.

Karen was born in Iowa on Oct. 22, 1966, the daughter of Janet DeWitt, who survives. As a young girl she moved to Indiana.

Her spouse, Frank Gross preceded her in death.

Karen was employed as a manager with McDonald’s Restaurant, located in Rochester. She enjoyed spending time with her family, collecting unicorns, listening to rock music and following NASCAR races. Her favorite color was purple.

Surviving are six children along with five grandchildren. They are: a daughter, Tina Miller of Plymouth and her children: Joe and Fabian Vasquez; daughter, Shannon (Chris) Miller of LaPaz and children: Angela Miller and Christina Fleck; son, Albert Miller Jr. of Arizona; daughter, Angel Weiss of Fulton, and her child Kiara Weiss; a son James Weiss, also of Fulton; and a son, Dustin Sprague of Warsaw.
Karen’s brother, Tim Mefford of Iowa also survives.

Services will be held at noon on Saturday, Dec. 8, 2007 in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth where family and friends may call after 10 a.m.

Memorial gifts may be made to the family or the donor’s choice.

Notes of condolence may be sent to the family through the Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com

**Ellen Ash Mitchell Grossman  Date of Death 12/2/2007**

ETNA GREEN — Ellen Ash Mitchell Grossman, 43, of Etna Green, died Sunday, Dec. 2 at 10:12 a.m. at St. Vincent Carmel Hospital.

She is survived by a son, Seth Mitchell of Warsaw; daughter, Sierra Mitchell of Indianapolis; and sister, June Moore of Atlanta, Ga.

Services will be held at Bourbon United Methodist Church on Friday, Dec. 7 at 6 p.m. Visitation is two hours prior to the service Friday.

Burial will be at Gypsum, Kan.

Memorials may be made to Potawatomi Wildlife Park, 16998 S.R. 331, Tippecanoe, IN 46570 or Habitat for Humanity of Marshall County.

McHatton-Sadler Funeral Chapel, Warsaw, is in charge of arrangements.

**Sister Julitta Knapke  Date of Death 12/2/2007**

DONALDSON — Sister Julitta “Julia” Knapke, PHJC, died in the Catherine Kasper Home, Donaldson, at 12:02 a.m. on Sunday, Dec. 2.

She is survived by a brother, Bill Knapke and his wife, Esther, St. Henry, Ohio, and by three sister-in-laws: Lucille Hess, Kettering, Ohio; Norma Knapke and Eileen Knapke, St. Henry, Ohio. Several nieces and nephews survive as well.

Visitation for Sister Julia will be at Catherine Kasper Home, Donaldson, on Tuesday, Dec. 4, from 4:30 to 9 p.m.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at the Catherine Kasper Home, Donaldson, Dec. 5, at 11 a.m. the Rev. Father Edward Konerman, S.J. will officiate.

Service arrangements are by Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, Ind.

**Edna "Eddie" Snyder  Date of Death 12/2/2007**

PLYMOUTH — Edna “Eddie” Snyder, 75, died at 4:30 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 2, at Miller’s Merry Manor.

Surviving are Eddie’s husband, James R. Snyder, a step-daughter, Rosilee (Tom) Heroy; a step-son, Jay Snyder; two granddaughters: Brandy Bybee and Krishna Roler; three grandsons: Adam Bybee, Jayson Synder and Benjamin Snyder; three great-granddaughters: Rachel Pricipie, Kelsey Bybee, Isabelle Marie Snyder and a brother: Roger Peters.

Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 4, 2007, and after 7 a.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 5, at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.
Burial services will be held at the funeral home on Wednesday, Dec. 5, at 10 a.m.

Memorial gifts to honor Eddie may be made to the Cancer Association, The Heart Association or to Marshall County Hospice and Palliative Care.

Messages of condolence may be sent to the family via the funeral home’s Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com

Evelyn Mae Scarbrough  Date of Death 12/3/2007

SOUTH BEND — Evelyn Mae Scarbrough, 84, of South Bend, formerly of Walkerton, died Monday, Dec. 3 in Memorial Hospital, South Bend.

She is survived by her husband, Dale Scarbrough; daughters: Jackie (David) Frazier of Wabash and Jeanne (Gail) Ross of South Bend; son, Dale W. (Phylliss) Scarbrough of Peoria, Ariz.; nine grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; sister, Sara Hudson of Grovertown; and brother, James (Deloris) Freet of Grovertown.

Visitation is Thursday, Dec. 6 from 4 to 8 p.m. EST and Friday after 11 a.m. until the time of services at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel.

Funeral services are Friday, Dec. 7 at 1 p.m. EST at the funeral home.

Burial will be in the Woodlawn Cemetery, Walkerton.

Memorials may be made to the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, 111 Sunnybrook Ct., South Bend, IN 46637.


Dale was born March 29, 1926 in South Bend, one of two children born to William G. And Laura K. (Overmyer) Heiser. He was married on June 6, 1948 to Helen L. Paswater in Culver. She survives.

Dale attended the Culver schools, where he graduated in 1944. He played on the high school basketball team that lost the last game of the semi-state tournament by 1 point in 1944. He continued to play independent basketball in Indiana after graduation.

Dale served the U.S. Navy on the Destroyer U.S. Davidson from 1944 - 1946. After leaving the military, he worked at the Studebaker plant in South Bend. He then went on to work as a millwright/carpenter with Local #1029 of Warsaw. He enjoyed fishing, I.U. Basketball, Notre Dame sports, Chicago Bears football, western movies, and playing cards — Euchre being his favorite.

Dale was a member of Finney-Shilling VFW Post 6919 of Culver, Collins-Tasch American Legion Post 399 on Monterey, and was a former Worthy Patron of Eastern Star 26, and a Master Mason of the Henry H. Culver Masonic Lodge, now the Plymouth Kilwinning Masonic Lodge 149. He was also a member of the Wesley United Methodist Church, Culver.

Dale is survived by his loving family: wife, Helen Heiser of Winter Haven, Fla; daughter, Nancy (Dennis) Cohee of Culver; son, Jeffrey Heiser of Culver; brother, Carl (Hazel) Heiser of Haines City, Fla; grandchildren, Dalelynn and Cathy Heiser; two step-grandchildren, Sarah Foreman and Chris Cohee; and five great-grandchildren, Chase, Abby, Hunter, McKenna, and Lucas.
Friends may gather with Dale’s family to share memories on Tuesday, Dec. 11 from 4 to 8 p.m. EST, with a Masonic Service at 7:30 p.m. at the Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver.

Rev. Bryan Siefert will officiate funeral services on Wednesday, Dec 12 at 1 p.m. EST at the Wesley United Methodist Church in Culver, with visitation for one hour prior to service at the church.

Burial will follow at Culver Masonic Cemetery. Memorials may be given to the American Kidney Fund or to Wesley United Methodist Church.

Condolences may be sent to the family via the obituary page at www.bonineodom.com.


He was a retired salesman of construction materials for many years in the St. Joseph County area. He was born Aug. 31, 1922 in South Bend and lived in Plymouth since 1981 coming from North Liberty where he lived most of his life.

He was married Dec. 28, 1984 in North Liberty to Peggy I. Witt, who survives along with one son, Shane of North Liberty; two daughters: Ginger (Robert) Micinski and Nadine Moore, both of South Bend; two grandchildren; Michael and Elisha Hostetler; and a great-granddaughter, Molly Hostetler, all of North Liberty.

There will be no visitation or services. Cremation will take place at a later date.

Arrangements are by the A.M. Manuel Funeral Home, North Liberty.


WALKERTON — A. Ralph Krulik, 59, of Walkerton, died Tuesday, Dec. 4 at Memorial Hospital, South Bend.

He is survived by his wife, Pamela; daughters: Carrie (Todd) Botset and Cammie Krulik, all of Koontz Lake; sons: Christopher (Marla) Krulik of Knox, Crew Krulik of Plymouth, Curtiss (Lisa) Krulik of Bremen, Cory Krulik and Casey Krulik, both of Koontz Lake; mother, Patricia Krulik of Fort Myers, Fla.; 12 grandchildren; and three sisters.

Visitation is Friday, Dec. 7 from 4 to 8 p.m. CST at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel, and Saturday at the church after 10 a.m.

Funeral services are Saturday, Dec. 8 at 11 a.m. CST at the Walkerton United Pentecostal Church.

Burial will be at Fletcher Cemetery, Hamlet.


Wanda Joy Lobough, 75, of Plymouth, beloved wife, mother and grandmother, died Dec. 4, 2007 in Indianapolis. She was born in Oklahoma City, Okla. to John W. and Trellace Margaret McCallon Purvis. Wanda was the widow of John Lobough. She was preceded in death by her three sons and two brothers.

She is survived by her sister, Margaret Miller; eight grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

A private service is planned. Memorial contributions may be made to the donor’s favorite charity.
ARN Cremation Services, Indianapolis, entrusted with arrangements. (317) 846-6501.


PLYMOUTH — Bruno D. Skever 93, of W. 3rd Road, Plymouth, formerly of Chicago, Ill., died Dec. 4, 2007 in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

The son of Peter and Adele Skever, Bruno was born Sept. 18, 1914 in Chicago, Ill.

Bruno was married to Juanita, whom preceded him in death. After graduating high school he proudly served in the United States Army and went on to retire as a machinist.

His favorite pastime was ballroom dancing.

Bruno is survived by a son-in-law, Arthur Bikneris of Plymouth; four grandchildren and their families, Melanie & Steven Dove with children Dalton, Austin, and Lauren of Plymouth; Lori & Tony Faucett with children Anthony and Kyle of Etna Green; Jim & Brooke Bikneris with children Olivia, Ava, and Amelia of SouthSide, Ala.; Dave Bikneris with fiancee Jennifer Stough of Plymouth; and a sister-in-law Violet Vaitis of Chicago, Ill.

He was preceded in death by his wife, parents, daughter, Joyce Bikneris, sister, Ona Skever, and brother, Pete Skever.

A time of remembrance and sharing with the family will be held Saturday, Dec. 8, 2007 from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home. A funeral service will follow immediately at 5:30 p.m. Pastor Barry Faucett of New Hope Wesleyan Church, Columbia City, will officiate.

Burial will take place at a later date in St. Casimir Lithuanian Cemetery, Chicago, Ill.

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

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family through our Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com

Juanita L. Christy  Date of Death 12/5/2007

PLYMOUTH — Juanita L. Christy, 76, died Dec. 5 at Memorial Hospital.

She is survived by her husband, Herbert T. Christy; daughters: Judy Schafer, Pamela Kollar and Lori Vogt; sons: Thomas, Jerry and Rick; 13 grandchildren; two step grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; one step great-grandson; and sisters: Norma Shirley, Muriel Garrett and Carol Jensen.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9 at Olive Branch United Brethren Church, Lakeville. Visitation is from 2 to 8 p.m. Saturday at Palmer Funeral Home, Lakeville and one hour prior to services at church on Sunday.

Burial will follow at Porter Rae Cemetery.

James Dale Pritsch  Date of Death 12/5/2007

PLYMOUTH — James Dale Pritsch, 80, of 325 S. Michigan, Plymouth, passed away Wednesday, Dec. 5, 2007, at 8:52 a.m. at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Dale was born on July 18, 1927, in Plymouth, to Willard and Bertha Naomi (Thomas) Pritsch. Dale graduated from Plymouth High School in the Class of 1945. He joined the Navy, and served his country, in WWII and Korea. Dale and Helen Myers were married on Jan. 24, 1976.
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Dale retired from Fullerton Sheet Metals Company in Northbrook, Ill. He spent his free time reading, fishing, golfing, bowling and doing woodworking.

Dale was a member of the V.F.W. Post #1162 and was the Past Quartermaster and Past Commander of the Post. He also belonged to the American Legion Post #27, of Plymouth, and Plymouth Kilwinning Lodge #149.

Dale is survived by his wife, Helen; his sons: James Pritsch of Cocoa, Fla., Garold Pritsch of Hot Springs, Ark. And Ronald Pritsch of St. Petersburg, Fla.; his sister, Ruth Ann Schrock of Elkhart; three grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Monday, Dec. 10, 2007, at 10:30 a.m., at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, Plymouth, with the Rev. Dr. Ronald Liechty officiating. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth. The V.F.W. Post #1162 will present Dale with military honors at the graveside service.

A time of visiting with Dale's family and friends, will be on Sunday, Dec. 9, 2007, from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

Memorial contributions may be given to the choice of the donor.

Friends and family, are invited to sign the guest book, and share memories with the Pritsch family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com

John J. Crum  Date of Death 12/6/2007

PLYMOUTH — John J. Crum, 75, of Plymouth, died at 12:30 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 6 at his home.

He is survived by his wife, Eleanor I. of Plymouth; son, John Lydeen of South Bend; daughter, Robin McNeeley of Michigan City; two grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and a brother, Robert Crum.

There will be no visitation or services at this time. Burial will take place at a later date.

The Van Gilder Funeral Home, Plymouth, is handling the arrangements.

James J. Brettin  Date of Death 12/7/2007

WINAMAC — James J. Brettin, 77, of Winamac, formerly of Knox, died Friday, Dec. 7, 2007 at his home.

He is survived by his wife, Vaneada (Wolters) Brettin; two children: Mark R. Brettin of DeLand, Fla. And Diane Kriegbaum of Plymouth; a sister: Marge Schuster of Knox; four brothers: John, Richard, Tim and Matt all of Knox and one granddaughter: Adreinne Kriegbaum.

Visitation will be Monday, Dec. 10 from 4 to 8 p.m. at M.C. Smith Funeral Home, Knox. Funeral services will take place Tuesday, Dec. 11 at 11 a.m. at St. Luke Lutheran Church in Winamac with viewing one hour prior at the church.

Burial will follow at Crown Hill Cemetery, Knox. Memorials may be made to St. Luke Lutheran Church or the Pulaski County Hospice.

Irene R. Dickson  Date of Death 12/7/2007

VALPARAISO — Irene R. Dickson, 91, of Valparaiso, formerly of Hamlet, died Dec. 7, 2007 at Whispering Pines Health Center, Valparaiso after an illness.

She is survived by two daughters: Betty (Wayne) Munyon of Kingman, Az., and Kathleen (Klyde)
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Blackman of Valparaiso; nine grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

Visitation took place Sunday, Dec. 10 from 4 to 7 p.m. at Rannels Funeral Home Inc., Hamlet Chapel.

Funeral services will take place Monday, Dec. 11 at noon and burial will follow at Fletcher Cemetery, Hamlet.

Memorial contributions may be made to Wispering Pines Hospice, Valparaiso.

Beulah J. Fagan  Date of Death 12/7/2007

KNOX — Beulah J. Fagan, 76, of Knox, died Dec. 7, 2007 at her home as a result of an illness.

She is survived by two daughters: Eve (Steve) Howard of Plymouth and Kathleen (Paul) Hale of Knox; a son: Pete (Sharon) Fagan of Knox; five grandchildren, three great-grandchildren and one brother: Kenneth Ross Sr. of Hamlet.

Visitation will take place Tuesday, Dec. 11 from 4 to 8 p.m. and after 11 a.m. Wednesday at Rannells Funeral Home Inc. Hamlet Chapel.

Funeral services will take place Wednesday, Dec. 12 at noon and burial will follow at Fletcher Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Starke County Hospice, Knox.

Howard E. Humes  Date of Death 12/7/2007

OAK GROVE — Howard E. Humes, 67, of Knox, died Dec. 7, 2007 at Starke Memorial Hospital.

He is survived by his wife Doris of Knox; a son, Rick (Sheila) Humes of Knox; two daughters, Tina (Rodney) Jacobs of Plymouth and Cynthia (Huey) Miller of Grovertown; two brothers: James (Joan) Humes of Knox and Ronald (Gerri) Humes of Plymouth; and a sister: Ann (Leonard) Messer of Knox.

Visitation will take place Monday, Dec. 10 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Braman & Son Memorial Chapel.

Funeral services will take place Tuesday, Dec. 11 at 1 p.m.

Burial will follow at Burr Oak Cemetery.

Ellard "Buck" Jackson  Date of Death 12/7/2007

MEDARYVILLE — Ellard "Buck" Jackson, 72, of Medaryville, died Dec. 7, 2007 at Methodist Hospital, Indianapolis, as a result of an illness.

He is survived by wife Lynn (Lowry); two daughters: Lynell (Scott) Jackson-Moon and Rhonda (Bill) Williams all of Avon; three grandchildren; one great-grandchild; three sisters: Lois (Jim) Fisher, Rose (Robie) Wireman and Katie Jackson all of North Judson and two brothers: Harry "Pete" (Inez) of Plainfield and Lawrence (Ann) of Bow, Ky.

Visitation will take place on Monday, Dec. 10 at the Leisure Time Baptist Assembly Church in Medaryville from 4 to 8 p.m. and Tuesday one hour prior to services.

Funeral services will take place on Tuesday, Dec. at 11 a.m. at the church and burial will follow at White Post Cemetery, Medaryville. Funeral arrangements were made by Rannells Funeral
Richard L. Pfeiffer  Date of Death 12/7/2007

PLYMOUTH — Richard L. Pfeiffer, 81, of Walkerton, passed away at 7:36 p.m. Friday, Dec. 7, 2007 in St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Lucetta; a daughter, Terry Greene of Teegarden; a son, Rick (Denise) Pfeiffer of Lakeville; four grandchildren, Jessica (Mike) Wright of Lakeville, Kelly (Joe) Stanley of North Liberty, Christine (Don Derda) Pfeiffer of Lakeville, and Kimberly Greene of Anderson; and one great-granddaughter, Arianna Stanley.

A sister, Betty Thornburg of Mishawaka and a brother, Forrest W. Pfeiffer of Rochester, also survive.

Graveside services will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 12, at Morris Cemetery, Walkerton. The Rev. Steve Cox will officiate.

Friends may visit with the family from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 11, in the Palmer Funeral Home, 314 S. Michigan St., Lakeville.

Contributions may be offered to a charity of the donor’s choice. Online condolences may be made at www.palmerfuneralhomes.com.

Donald LeRoy Quier  Date of Death 12/7/2007

ROCHESTER — Donald LeRoy Quier, 70, of Rochester, died at his home, Dec. 7, 2007 at 11:22 p.m.

He is survived by his wife Patricia (Sayger) of Rochester; one daughter: Betty Musick (Michael Beam) of Rochester; a son: Nelson (Brenda) Quier of Deridder, La.; two sisters: Mary Castle of Kenton, Ohio and Linda Combs of Jackson, Ky.; one brother: Walter David (Betty) Quier; three grandchildren: Tammy LaFosse, Anthony Wardrup and Donny Wardrup; and several nieces and nephews.

Visitation will take place Monday, Dec. 10 from 5 to 8 p.m. and on Tuesday, Dec. 11 from 9 a.m. until the time of service at the Good Family Funeral Home.

Funeral services will take place on Tuesday, Dec. 11 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home and burial will follow at Athens Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Marshall County Hospice. Electronic expressions may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Hildegarde H. Berkheiser  Date of Death 12/8/2007

Hildegarde H. Berkheiser, 85, of 10808 Windrose Point Ave., Las Vegas, Nev., and formerly of the Argos community, died at Hospice at the Heights of Summerlin, Las Vegas on Saturday, Dec. 8, 2007 at 9:07 a.m. She was born on Sept. 14, 1922 in Maxwell, Texas, to the late Hugo and Erna (Hoffman) Boenig, the first of five children. She graduated from Maxwell High School as valedictorian of her class in 1940. She grew up in the Ebenezer Lutheran Church in Maxwell, where she was a member of the Luther League and held several offices.

Hildegarde and Franklin Devoe Berkheiser were married in the Ebenezer Lutheran Church on Dec. 28, 1944. Hildegare and Devoe moved from Texas to Argos, where they raised their four children. Hildegare worked as the secretary to the Argos Community School Junior and Senior High School Principal for 10 years. She loved working around the students and teachers equally, and her involvement in the school was fitting, as she had wanted to be a high school English
Wherever Hildegarde went, she spread a glow of love and gentle kindness. She loved the Lord, and she loved to sing. She was singing as sweetly and purely as ever until the day she died. She will be missed by the many she touched, young and old, who knew and loved her in Texas, Indiana, Arizona and Nevada.

Hildegarde was preceded in death by her beloved husband Devoe on April 6, 1996. She is survived by one sister, Frances Schuster, of Maxwell, Texas; two daughters: Mary, and her life partner Becky Hansen, of Las Vegas, Nev., and Denise, and her husband Kent Morley, of Tucson, Ariz.; two sons: Vaughn, and his wife Ava, of Thomaston, Ga., and Jeffrey, of Argos and St. Petersburg, Fla.; four granddaughters: Shauna Lynne, Danielle Marie, Emily Grace, and Madeline Claire; one great-granddaughter, Ella Marie, and three great-grandsons: Hunter Devoe, Jack Roland, and Ethan Ryan.

Friends will be welcomed by the family to celebrate Hildegarde's life, Thursday, Dec. 13, 2007 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos, and at the church Friday, Dec. 14, from 9 a.m. until the time of the service.

Funeral services will be Friday, Dec. 14, 2007 at 10 a.m. at the Argos United Methodist Church, 540 N. Michigan St., Argos, and will be officiated by Rev. Robert Vale.

Burial will be at the Richland Center I.O.O.F. Cemetery in Fulton County.

Electronic condolences my be sent to the family at: memorials@earl-grossmanfuneral.com This e-mail address is being protected from spam bots; you need JavaScript enabled to view it

Memorial contributions may be made to the Ebenezer Lutheran Church, Maxwell, Texas. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home.

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

**Jason Michael Roncz  Date of Death 12/8/2007**

SOUTH BEND — Jason Michael Roncz, 32, of South Bend, died Dec. 8, 2007 of natural causes at his home.

He is survived by his mother, Maribeth Roncz; Amy Roncz; a daughter, Reeann Roncz; and a son, Michael Roncz.

Visitation will take place Wednesday, Dec. 12 from 2 to 7 p.m. at the Hickey Funeral Home, South Bend.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, Dec. 13 at 11 a.m.

Memorial contributions may be made to the children’s scholarship fund.

**Ronald P. Singleton  Date of Death 12/8/2007**

GROVERTOWN — Ronald P. Singleton, 72, of Grovertown, died Dec. 8, 2007 at Starke Memorial Hospital, Knox, after an illness.

He is survived by three daughters: Wanda Woods of Hamlet, Donna Darin of Walkerton and Becky McCray of Grovertown; three sons: Ron Jr. of Knox, David of Bass Lake and Clyde of Grovertown; nine grandchildren and many great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

There will be no visitation or services. Arrangements are being made by Rannells Funeral Home Inc., Hamlet.
Memorial contributions may be made to Starke County Hospice, Knox.

**Gerald D. Young  Date of Death 12/8/2007**

LEBANON — Gerald D. Young, 66, of Lebanon, died Dec. 8, 2007 at 3:55 a.m. at Parkwood Health Care Center.

He is survived by wife Norma (Stowers) of Lebanon; a daughter: Veda (David) Faulstich of Plymouth; a son: York A. (Deanna) Young of Fort Wayne; a sister: Shirley Hanowich of Wheatfield; a brother: Richard (Tootie) Young of Culver and eight grandchildren.

Visitation will take place on Tuesday, Dec. 11 from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home and one hour prior to services.

Funeral services will take place on Wednesday, Dec. 12 at 11 a.m. and burial will follow at Leiter's Ford IOOF Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to St. Vincent's Hospice, Indianapolis and electronic expressions may be made to the family via goodfamily@rtcol.com.

**Madeline H. Burch  Date of Death 12/9/2007**

WALKERTON — Madeline H. Burch, 90, of Walkerton, died Sunday, Dec. 9 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

She is survived by a daughter, Sandra Cleveland of Clovis, Calif.; sons: Ronald L. Burch and Delmas G. Burch, both of Tyner; six grandchildren; numerous great-grandchildren; brothers: Raymond C. Cole of Tyner and Dwight (Pauline) Burch of Walkerton; and sister-in-law, Mildred Cole of Plymouth.

Visitation is Friday, Dec. 14 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth.

Funeral services are Saturday, Dec. 15 at 11:30 a.m. at Blissville Church of the Brethren, Plymouth.

Burial will be at Tyner Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Blissville Church of the Brethren.

**Ellen M. Britton  Date of Death 12/10/2007**

HAMLET — Ellen M. Britton, 86, of Hamlet, died Monday, Dec. 10 at home.

She is survived by daughters: Lucille Atkins of Lincoln, Neb., Betty Kirby of Grovertown, Sarah Loveless of Winamac, Linda Britton of Plymouth and Flo Gropp of LaPorte; sons: Charles of Plymouth and Floyd of Elkhart; 40 grandchildren; 72 great-grandchildren; 14 great-great-grandchildren; and half sister, Dorothy Madsen of North Judson.

There will be no visitation. Graveside services will be held Thursday, Dec. 13 at 1 p.m. CST at Crown Hill Cemetery, Knox.

Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel, is handling the arrangements.

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She is survived by daughters: Lucille Atkins of Lincoln, Neb., Betty Kirby of Grovertown, Sarah Loveless of Winamac, Linda Britton of Plymouth and Flo Gropp of LaPorte; sons: Charles of Plymouth and Floyd of Elkhart; 40 grandchildren; 72 great-grandchildren; 14 great-great-grandchildren; and half sister, Dorothy Madsen of North Judson.

There will be no visitation. Graveside services will be held Thursday, Dec. 13 at 1 p.m. CST at Crown Hill Cemetery, Knox.

Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel, is handling the arrangements.
Bruce A. Rose  Date of Death 12/13/2007

FORT WAYNE — Bruce A. Rose, 51, passed away Thursday, Dec. 13, 2007 at his home in Fort Wayne. Born in Fort Wayne, he worked in Information Technology Services with Lincoln National for 20 years. He received an Outstanding Alumnus Award for Student Development from B.S.U. in 1992.

Survivors include wife, Diane of Fort Wayne; mother and step-father, Betty and Robert Kuhn of Plymouth; step-mother, Pat Rose of New Haven; son, Jordan at home; daughter, Jennifer at home; brothers: Brad (Heather) of New Haven, Michael and Jeffrey Kuhn both of South Bend and Art (Karen) of Hudson Lake; sisters: Kim (Dan) Pelz of Charlotte, N.C. and Mindi (Bryan) Lucas of Lithia, Fla.; father-in-law, Charles (Marilyn) Miller of Windfall; brother-in-law, Tim (Paula) Tucker of Zanesville; and Jim (Brenda) Head of Sharpsville; paternal grandmother, Madelene Rose of Angola; nephews and nieces: Haley, Wayd, Kayla, and Levi Rose, Terry Leatherman, Michael and Kristen Pelz, Brandon, Krystal and Alyssa Tucker of Zanesville and Daniel, Katie and Kasey Head of Sharpsville, Ashley, Mallory, Ryan, A.J. and Laura Kuhn of South Bend, Skyler and Mackenzie Lucas of Lithia, Fla.

He was preceded in death by his father, Michael Rose; sister-in-law, Tammy Jo Miller and a nephew, Joseph Tucker.

Memorial service is 4 p.m. Saturday at D.O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home, 1140 Lake Ave., Fort Wayne, with calling two hours prior.

Memorials to Rose Children's College Fund.

Larry Devon Gann  Date of Death 12/14/2007

Larry Devon Gann on Dec. 14, 2007 went home to be with our Lord and Savior. He lost his battle with cancer.

Larry was born Feb. 14, 1950, in Plymouth. He was the son of Lenora and Bernard Gann of Argos. After graduation Larry was drafted into the United States Army. During his service in Vietnam, Larry was honored with many medals including the Purple Heart, Bronze Star Medal and the Vietnam Service Medal. Several years later Larry re-enlisted in the United States Navy. There he received the Navy Commendation Medal and the National Defense Service Medal.

Larry was a member of the American Legion Post 3 of Hanford. He was also a member of the Hanford Elks Lodge 1259 and the Fresno Basque Club. Larry was currently employed as a Manager for Campos Brothers Farms in Caruthers. There the Campos’ and employees became family to him.

Larry is survived by his wife Rita from Caruthers and three daughters: Misty Gann and Lori Todd of Hanford and Tammy Moore of Colorado Springs; his parents, Lenora and Bernard Gann; a brother, Dennis Gann; and sister Kim Snider, all of Argos; a sister, Mary Runyan of South Bend; two sons-in-law, one daughter-in-law, brothers in-law, nieces, nephews and several grandchildren. He is also survived by his long time and loyal friend Steve Stover as well as many other friends.

Larry will be greatly missed and will remain forever in our hearts.
John W., Sr. Lowry  Date of Death 12/14/2007

PLYMOUTH — John W. Lowry, Sr., 69, of 700 Berkley Street, Plymouth, passed away Friday, Dec. 14, 2007, at 6:50 a.m., at the home of his daughter, in Warsaw.

John was born on June 9, 1938 in Bourbon, to Edward and Marie (Hart) Lowry. He worked at Fairmont Homes as a lead man.

John is survived by his daughters, Rae Ann and Stephen Harris, Lisa and Pat Roark, and Rejeana and Dan Dunning; his sons, John, Jr. and Shanna Lowry, Tim and Sherry Lowry, Jerry and Tonya Lowry, Terry Lowry, and Carl and Bobby Lowry; his sisters, Mary and Raymond McGriff, Jody and Joe Friend, and Patty Bruch; his brother, Carl and Linda Lowry; 23 grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents; his brothers, Harold, Richard, Gene, and Paul; his sister, Rose Ellen; and a great-granddaughter.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, Dec. 19, at 1 p.m., at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, in Plymouth, with the Rev. Robert Rice officiating.

Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

A time of visiting, with the family, will be on Wednesday, Dec. 19, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, IN, 46563.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, 112 S. Center St., Plymouth, IN 46563, or to the Kosciusko County Hospice.

Friends may sign the guest book and share memories with the Lowry Family at www.vagilderfuneralhome.com.
Winifred L. Mast  Date of Death 12/14/2007

NAPPANEE — Winifred L. Mast, 74, of Nappanee, died Dec. 14, 2007 at 9:30 a.m. at Hospice House in South Bend after an extended illness.

He is survived by a wife: Rose Mast of Nappanee; four sons: Michael Mast, Mark (Coleen) Mast, Matt (Diane Pippenger) Mast and Mario (Julie) Mast all of Nappanee; 17 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren and two sisters: Donnabelle (Dean) Keck of Columbia City and Miriam (Bob) Wilson of South Bend.

Visitation will take place on Monday, Dec. 17 from 2 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to services on Tuesday at Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Homes.

Funeral services will take place on Tuesday, Dec. 18 at 10:30 a.m. at burial will follow at South Union Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to First Mennonite Church of Nappanee or to Hospice & Pallative Care.

Leionell Daniel McConnell  Date of Death 12/15/2007

MACY — Leionell Daniel McConnell, 101, of Macy, died at 6:15 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 15 at Life Care Center of Rochester.

He is survived by daughters: Gale (Jim) Harper of Nyona Lake and Ann Punak of Gary; son, Allen (Karen) Riddley of Boston, Mass.; nine grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

There will be no visitation. Funeral services are Wednesday, Dec. 19 at 2 p.m. CST in the chapel at Calumet Park Cemetery, Merrillville.

Burial will be at Calumet Park Cemetery.

The Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, is in charge of the arrangements.

Herman V. Doyle  Date of Death 12/16/2007

SOUTH BEND – Herman V. Doyle, 82, of South Bend, died at his home Sunday, Dec. 16, 2007.

He is survived by sons: Vernon Wayne (Marion) Doyle of LaPaz and Michael Neil (Kathleen) Doyle of Cassopolis, Mich.; eight grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; brothers: Foster (Violet) Doyle of Kentucky and Irvin (Becky) Doyle of Seymour; and sisters: Clara Nolan formerly of Seymour and Jeanette Barkman of Texas.

Visitation is from 11 a.m. until noon Wednesday, Dec. 19 in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St. Plymouth where services will follow at noon. Burial will be in the St. Joseph Valley Memorial Park, Granger, where military honors will be accorded to him.

Memorial gifts in his memory may be made to any Cancer Research Foundation.

Retha S. (Kaser) Nixon  Date of Death 12/16/2007


She is survived by daughters: Juanita Fisher of North Liberty and Theda Nixon of South Bend; sons: Carl Kaser of North Liberty and Dean Kaser of Greenville, SC; 24 grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren; seven great-great-grandchildren; sisters: June Buss of Mishawaka, Alma Murley of Henderson, Tenn., Mary Ruth Wileman of Grapevine, Texas and Brenda Dancey of
Millington, Tenn.; and a brother, Homer Hazelip of Olive Branch, Miss.

Private funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 20. Visitation is from 3 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 19 in the Palmer Funeral Home, 314 S. Michigan St., Lakeville.

Memorials may be made to The Center for Hospice & Palliative Care or to the Northern Indiana Food Bank.

**Edward Wilbur Polson Date of Death 12/16/2007**

BREMEN — Edward Wilbur Polson, 54, of Bremen, died Dec. 16, 2007 at 6 a.m. at his home.

He is survived by two sons: Edward Charles Polson of Monterey and Gary Lee Polson of Laporte; two grandchildren; mother: Lulu Polson of Bremen; a sister: Shirley Wilson of Bremen; a brother: John (Barb) Polson of Bremen; and former wife: Beverly Diane Richardson of Plainfield.

He was preceded in death by his father, James Polson.

Visitation will take place on Tuesday, Dec. 18 from 3 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to services Wednesday at Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Homes.

Funeral services will take place on Wednesday, Dec. 19 at 11 a.m. Burial will follow at Bremen Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Victory Junction Gang Camp (see victoryjunction.org for more information).

**Steven R. Richmond Date of Death 12/17/2007**


He is survived by daughters: Robin Richmond of South Bend and Melissa Bassett of Fort Wayne; one grandson; companion, Marlinda Phiscator of Niles, Mich.; mother, Betty (Robert) Firestone of Goshen; brothers: Roger Richmond of Nappanee, Jim (Pat) Wilson of Wakarusa, Bill Wilson of Elkhart and Tom (Erin) Wilson of Goshen; and sister, Linda (Mike) Carter of Beech Grove.

Visitation is Wednesday, Dec. 19 from 6 to 8 p.m. at Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee. Funeral services are Thursday, Dec. 20 at 2 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at South Union Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Steven Richmond Memorial Fund.

**Richard Arlen Belt Date of Death 12/18/2007**


Richard was born and raised in Inwood by his loving grandparents, Edward and Jennie Cannan. Richard was retired from the United States Navy in which he served for 20 years with great pride. He was twice decorated, once for single-handedly saving the ship and many of his shipmates lives.

He was preceded in death by his parents; grandparents; his sister, Kate; his grandson, David Workman and his loving wife of 42 years, Eleanor Lunsford Belt. Survivors include: his son, Rick (Patsy) Belt Jr.; daughters: Linda (Darwin) Sanders, Debra (Grits) Skilbeck and Kathy (David) Churchill; sisters, Jean Gilbert, Judy (Dale)
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McCollough; and Danice (Dave) Harding, all of Indiana; grandchildren, Vickie, Jennifer, Ellen, Stacey, Joe, Jeremy, and Michelle; Eight great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; many nieces, nephews, and loving friends.

Our father was a honest, hardworking, proud man. He cared and provided for his family. He cared for his wife, Eleanor for 42 years, but especially during the last five years of her life when she was so ill. Most importantly; he is a Christian and now is at Home with Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and we are certain he is still looking after all of us from his new Home. He was a member of Crossroads Baptist Church.

Visitation was held Saturday, December 22, 2007 from 10 a.m. until funeral service at 11 a.m. at Central Chapel Church, 405 Beverly Parkway, Pensacola. Burial followed at Eastern Gate Memorial Gardens and then the family held a reception immediately following at Crossroads Baptist Church.

Trahan Family Funeral Home, 430 Beverly Parkway, is in charge of arrangements. We would like to offer special thanks to Dr. F. Canana, Dr. Sunnenberg and their staffs and Covenant Hospice for their excellent care and loving compassion.

Gordon L. Yeager  Date of Death 12/18/2007

TOPEKA — Gordon L. "Gordy" Yeager, 56, of Topeka died Tuesday, Dec. 18, 2007, at Parkview Noble Hospital in Kendallville.

Survivors include son, Christopher L. Yeager of Sturgis, Mich., his life partner, Ruthann Richards of Topeka; sister, Eileen (James) Gingerich of Syracuse; brother, Roger (Judy) Yeager of Baltimore, Md.; and two grandchildren.

Services will be held Sunday, Dec. 23, 2007, at 2 p.m. at Stones Hill Community Church, Ligonier. Burial will be at Maple Grove Cemetery in Topeka. Visitation is Friday, Dec. 21, from 5 to 8 p.m., and Saturday, Dec. 22, from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. at West Noble Middle School, south of Ligonier.

Memorial contributions may be made to Wawaka Alumni Foundation or Perry & Elkhart Township 4-H Club.

Robert Fowler  Date of Death 12/19/2007

BREMEN — Robert Fowler, 55, of Bremen, died Wednesday, Dec. 19, 2007 at 12:33 p.m. at Bremen Health Care Center.


Services will be held Friday, Dec. 21 at 2 p.m. at Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen. Burial will follow at a later date at Bremen Cemetery. Visitation is from 1 p.m. until time of services at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to Mishler Funeral Home toward the cost of funeral services.

BREMEN — Robert Fowler Jr., 55, of Bremen, died Wednesday, Dec. 19, 2007 at 12:33 p.m. at Bremen Health Care Center.

Survivors include his mother, Ruth Fowler of Bremen; daughters: Stephanie (Napoleon) Shepherd of Ft. Wayne, Michelle (Johnny) Smith of Marcellus, Mich., Laurie Maust, Barbara Fowler of Three Rivers, Mich. And Charlene Fowler of Nottawa, Mich.; sisters: Janice (Frank)
Charlotte R. May  Date of Death 12/19/2007


Char was born July 29, 1931 in Tulsa, Okla. A daughter to Houston and Josephine (Hauser) Palk.


Early in life Char had lived in Gary and Plymouth, where she had graduated from LaVille High School in Plymouth. She had made her home on Long Lake in rural Burr Oak since 1983.

Char was a homemaker and also had worked several years for the Colon Elementary School in the food service department.

She was a member of the Colon American Legion Auxiliary where she had held many offices, she had also been president of the 4th district Auxiliary and a Charter member of the Colon Lioness Club.

She is survived by one daughter, Rosann (Mark) Bezilla of Poland, Ohio; one son, James Edward (Terri) May of Mount Joy, Pa.; one son-in-law, William Ream of Elizabethtown, Pa.; four grandchildren: Austin and Kevin Ream and Jonathon and Benjamin Bezilla; and step-grandson, Josh Ward and mother, Josephine Shaffer of Burr Oak; one brother, Houston (Mariann) Palk of Gary; half sister: Joan Powell of Grand Junction, Colo.; and three nieces.

She was preceded in death by her father, Houston Palk; husband, Edward May; and daughter, Nancy Ream.

The family will receive relatives and friends on Saturday from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. at the Schipper Funeral Home LTD in Colon. Funeral services celebrating the life of Charlotte R. May will be Sunday, Dec. 23 at 1 p.m. from the funeral home with Mr. David J. Farrell officiating. A committal service and burial will follow at the Burr Oak Cemetery in Burr Oak, Mich. If desired, the family suggest memorials be made in memory of Char to the Colon Rescue Squad. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home.

Michael P. Trieschman  Date of Death 12/19/2007


He is survived by his wife, Mary Latham Trieschman; sons: Ryan S. (Rebecca) Trieschman of Columbia City and PFC Aaron Wayne Trieschman, stationed in Afghanistan; father, Frederick Trieschman of New Castle; sister, Rebekah Trieschman of Florence, Mass.; brother, Steven (Phyllis) Trieschman of Connersville; and mother-in-law, Rosemary Latham of New Castle.

Funeral services are Thursday, Dec. 27 at 10:30 a.m. at Macer-Hall Funeral Home, New Castle. Burial will follow at South Mound Cemetery, West Lawn Addition. Visitation is Wednesday, Dec. 26 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the funeral home. Military services will be conducted by the U.S. Army, the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars.
Thomas E. Webb  Date of Death 12/19/2007

GROVERTOWN — Thomas E. Webb, 53, of Grovertown, died Wednesday, Dec. 19 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

He is survived by his wife, Roberta; daughter, Amanda (H.C.) Williams of Ober; sons: Daniel of Hamlet and Michael of Madrid, Iowa; parents, Lowell and Joan Webb of Hamlet; three grandchildren; and sister, Debbie Miller of New Carlisle.

Visitation is Friday, Dec. 21 from 4 to 8 p.m. CST and Saturday, Dec. 22 after 12 p.m. until the time of services at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel.

Funeral services are Saturday, Dec. 22 at 1 p.m. CST at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Fletcher Cemetery, Hamlet.

Raymond L. Gross  Date of Death 12/21/2007

PLYMOUTH — Raymond L. Gross, 87, of Plymouth, died Friday, Dec. 21, 2007, at 6:15 p.m. at Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth.

He is survived by his wife, Marjorie; two sons, Robert Gross of Plymouth and Donald and Connie Gross of Plymouth; and his grandson, Matthew and Meghan Gross of Fort Wayne. He was preceded in death by his brother, Arthur Gross, who passed away at the age of 3.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, Dec. 27, at 2 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, Plymouth, with the Rev. Father William Kummer officiating. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Friends may visit with the family on Thursday, Dec. 27, from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, IN 46563

Memorial contributions may be given to the Alzheimer’s Association, P.O. Box 4204, South Bend, IN 46601.

Charles H. Miller  Date of Death 12/22/2007

PLYMOUTH — Charles H. Miller, 96, of Plymouth, died at Miller’s Merry Manor on Saturday, Dec. 22.

He is survived by Stephen and Janice Miller of Plymouth.

There will be no visitation or services; private family services only.

Interment will be at New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Arrangements are being handled by Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth.

Walter H. Lawmaster  Date of Death 12/23/2007

NAPPANEE - Walter H. Lawmaster, 82, of Nappanee, died Sunday, Dec. 23, 2007 at his winter home in Naples, Fla.

Survivors include: his wife, Barbara J. Lawmaster; daughter, Kimberly (Dennis) Bilinski of Bremen; son, Jeffrey A. (Charity) Truhn of Florida; five grandchildren; a brother, Oliver (Ethel) Lawmaster of California; sisters: Arline Johnson of Indiana and Evelyn Lawmaster of Naples, Fla., as well as many nieces and nephews.
A memorial service will be held Saturday, Jan. 5 at 10 a.m. at Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee. Visitation is one hour prior to services.

Inurnment will be in Union Center Cemetery, Nappanee. Military graveside rites will be conducted by the Nappanee American Legion.

Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association or the American Cancer Society.

**Carroll A. Ewing  Date of Death 12/24/2007**

KNOX — Carroll A. Ewing, 89, of Knox, passed away Monday, Dec. 24, 2007 in his home. Mr. Ewing was born April 21, 1918 in Crumstown to William and Blanche (Christopher) Ewing and lived in the area all of his life. On Dec. 18, 1941 in Mishawaka, he was married to the former LaVerna Myers, who survives. Also surviving are one daughter, Cathy (Gerald) Benko of Knox; three sons: Gerald (Judy) Ewing of Oak Grove, Richard (Dolly) Ewing of Culver and Jeff (Renee) Ewing of Argos; nine grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one brother and one sister.

Mr. Ewing owned and operated C & L Food Center in Oak Grove for 52 years. He was a U.S. Army veteran of WWII. He was formerly trustee of Washington Township in Starke County, a former member of the Washington Township Advisory Board, an original member of the Washington Township Fire Dept., the former Democrat Precinct Committeeman of Starke County, past member of the Starke County Election Board and member of the Knox American Legion and VFW.

A memorial service will be held Saturday at 11:30 a.m. CST at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel. Friends may call Saturday from 9:30 a.m. until the time of services in the funeral home. Burial will take place after the service in Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth, with military graveside services being conducted.

**Mose Mast  Date of Death 12/24/2007**

GOSHEN — Mose Mast, 83, of Goshen, died at 4:29 a.m. Monday, Dec. 24 at Greencroft Health Care, Goshen.

He is survived by his wife, Gladys; son, LeRoy Jay Mast of Hammondsport, N.Y.; daughter, Barbara (Dallas) Schlegel of Lincoln, Neb.; stepson, Willis Eugene Miller of Rickreall, Ore.; stepdaughters: Charlotte Lucile (Leland) Martin of Brownsburg, Geraldine "Jeri" (Mike) Raabe of Lakewood, Colo. And Jeanette Sarita (Russell) Teall of Plymouth; brothers: Andrew Mast of Topeka, John Mast of Topeka and Henry Mast of Goshen; sister, Ada (Elmer) Miller of Ligonier; 13 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Sunday, Dec. 30 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. at Rieth-Rohrer-Ehret Funeral Home, Goshen and Monday, Dec. 31 at 10 a.m. at Waterford Mennonite Church. Funeral services are Monday, Dec. 31 at 11 a.m. at the church. Burial will be at Miller Cemetery, Middlebury.

Memorials may be made to Greencroft.

**Harold L. "Red" Shafer  Date of Death 12/24/2007**

TIPPECANOE — Harold L. "Red" Shafer, 71, of Tippecanoe, died at 11:21 a.m. Monday, Dec. 24 at Kosciusko Community Hospital. He was born Nov. 29, 1936 in Fulton County to Kenneth and Ruth (Boganwright) Shafer. On June 29, 1957 in Tippecanoe, he married Carolyn Sue Ward.

Harold had worked at Niff-Corr, Tippecanoe, since 1958 and in 1974 he became president and owner. He was a member of the Mentone First Baptist Church, the NRA and Raccoon Run Golf
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Course in Warsaw. He was a 1955 graduate of Tippecanoe High School. He was also an avid golfer and was the church candy man.

He is survived by his wife, Carolyn Sue Shafer of Tippecanoe; sons: Harold L. "Hal" (Zulema) Shafer, Kent (Lori) Shafer and Jon (Denise) Shafer, all of Tippecanoe; eight grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and a sister, Rosalee Overmyer of Tippecanoe.

He was preceded in death by his parents and brother-in-law, Myron Overmyer.

Visitation is Thursday, Dec. 27 from 4 to 8 p.m. at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone. Funeral services are Friday, Dec. 28 at 10:30 a.m. at the funeral home with Pastor Michael Wilhite officiating. Burial will be at the Mentone Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Mentone First Baptist Church, 301 N. Broadway St., Mentone, IN 46539.

Online condolences: www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com

Alfred L. Vermillion  Date of Death 12/25/2007

PLYMOUTH — Alfred L. Vermillion, 97, of Plymouth, died Tuesday, Dec. 25, 2007, at 10:20 a.m. at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

He is survived by several grandchildren; great-grandchildren; and great-great-grandchildren; his brother, Clyde and Dorothy Vermillion of Plymouth; and his sister, Minnie Campbell of South Bend.

Funeral services will be held Friday, Dec. 28 at 3 p.m., at the Van Gilder Funeral Home in Plymouth. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth. Visitation will be from noon to 3 p.m. Friday, Dec. 28 at the funeral home.

Evelyn G. Burroughs  Date of Death 12/26/2007

ARGOS – Evelyn G. Burroughs, 98, a lifelong resident of Marshall County, residing on W. Walnut St., Argos, died in the Culver Miller’s Merry Manor, at 5:25 a.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 26, 2007. Evelyn had been in failing health since October of this year.

Born in Argos on Aug. 8, 1909, Evelyn was the daughter of Willis Wright and Anna (Forsythe) Whisman.

She graduated from Argos High School with the class of 1927.


The couple owned and operated the Burroughs Insurance Agency of Argos for many years.

After raising their four children, Evelyn became a certified medical assistant at Miller’s Merry Manor Nursing Home in Plymouth where she retired after working for 10 years.

She was dedicated to her family and her church, the Walnut Church of the Brethren, where she had been a member for more than 80 years. She and Ray were deacons and served in various capacities.

Ray and Evelyn loved to fish in the northern lakes of Michigan and Wisconsin. For many years they spent alternate winters in Florida and California traveling the states in between.

She loved to bake pies and cookies. An avid reader, she also enjoyed working crossword
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puzzles.

She was a longtime member of the Marshall County Historical Society and the Walnut Twp. Home Economics Club.

Evelyn is survived by three daughters and a son. They are Connie Caldwell Lowe of Bradenton, Fla., Susanna R. and Loren Carswell of Culver and Mary and Richard Richey, Westminster, Calif., and Willis and Mary Sue Burroughs of Argos.

Thirteen grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren and nine great-great-grandchildren also survive.

She was preceded in death by her husband, one great-grandson, Michael Caldwell, two sisters: Ruth Harley Warner and Toilie McGriff and two sons-in-law: Fred Caldwell and Herbert Lowe.

The family will receive friends and share memories on Sunday, Dec. 30, 2007, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, from 1 to 3 p.m.

Funeral services, officiated by the Rev. Robert Rice, pastor of the Walnut Church of the Brethren, Argos, will follow visitation at 3 p.m. in the funeral home.

Burial will be in the Walnut Cemetery, Argos.

Memorial gifts may be made to the music department of the Walnut Church of the Brethren.

Electronic condolences may be sent to the family at: www.johnson-danielson.com

Laura Louise Gunder  Date of Death 12/26/2007


Living most of her life in Marshall County, Laura was a homemaker and worked as a florist for Andelohr Florist in Culver and Flowers by Stephen in South Bend. She played the piano for the Culver Military Academy fine arts department during the 1970s. She was the secretary of the Maxinkuckee Yacht Club in Culver during the 1960s. She made many quilts and donated them to babies with AIDS and knitted many hats for needy children of Union Township and The Neighborhood Center in Plymouth. She attended Emmanuel United Methodist Church of Culver and was a graduate of Culver Community High School class of 1947.

She is survived by one daughter, Valerie (Dane) Avery of Dallas, Ga.; two sons: Craig (Martha) Gunder of Red Lion, Pa. and Todd (Cassie) Gunder of Culver; nine grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; one brother, Charles (Donna) Kline of South Bend; and two sisters: Virginia Bullock of Plymouth and Brenda (Bob) Wynn of Culver.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; daughter, Andrea Kay Gunder; and two great-grandchildren.

A private family service will be held.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer’s Association, 9135 N. Meridian St., Suite B-4, Indianapolis, IN 46209-7109.

Electronic condolences may be sent to the family at: memorials@earl-grossmanfuneral.com
Arrangements have been entrusted with the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.

**Agnes R. Shei  Date of Death 12/26/2007**

PLYMOUTH – Agnes R. Shei, 79, died Wednesday in Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth.

She is survived by four daughters: Peggy Mattox, Susan Danielson, Sara Jolly and Katherine Graves, along with a sister, Gail West.

Visitation will be held on Friday, Dec. 28 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St. Plymouth where a Rosary will be said at 8 p.m.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 29 in St. Michael Catholic Church.

Preferred memorials are to the Alzheimer’s Association.

**Conrad Bradley  Date of Death 12/27/2007**

Conrad Bradley, 75, passed away Dec. 27, 2007, at his home in Palm City, Fla., where he had lived for 38 years.

Conrad was born in Plymouth in 1932, and was the oldest son of Ellsworth and Evelyn Bradley.

Conrad had been a member of the Stuart, Fla., Moose Lodge #1282 since 1979. He was a journeyman electrician for 50 years beginning in 1970.

Surviving are his wife of 30 years, Catherine (Sutton) Bradley of Palm City; his daughters, Rebecca Lovern of Huntsville, Ala., Brenda Scherer of Plymouth, Lucy Collins of North Carolina, Christina Spencer of Tennessee, and Melissa Johnson of Cocoa Beach, Fla.; his sons, Michael T. Bradley of Plymouth, Arthur O’Connor Spencer of Tennessee, James Cooper of Fort Pierce, Fla., and James Wethington Jr. of Port Saint Lucie, Fla.; his brothers, Stan Bradley of Hobe Sound, Fla. And Gene Bradley of Plymouth; his grandchildren; and his great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents; and his son, Patrick A. Bradley.

Services were held, with a celebration of his life, at the Moose Lodge in Stuart, Fla.

All County Funeral Home & Crematory, Treasure Coast Chapel, Stuart, Florida, handled the arrangements. Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth, IN, 46563, is handling the local arrangements.

Family and friends are invited to sign the guest book and share memories of Conrad, with his family, at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com

**Robert Gene Elliott  Date of Death 12/28/2007**

Robert Gene Elliott, 79, 61930 Scott St., South Bend, formerly of Tippecanoe, died Dec. 28, 2007 at 9:30 p.m. at Memorial Hospital of South Bend, following a length illness. He was born Dec. 29, 1927 in Argos, to Harvey and Lillie (Snyder) Elliott and lived in South Bend since 1966. He married Gertrude M. Feece on Aug. 20, 1950 in Plymouth. He worked at Bendix in South Bend and was a Garage Supervisor. He retired in 1982. He served his country in the United States Army from March 13, 1946 to Sept. 12, 1947. He was a life member of American Legion Post#424 of Bourbon, and was a former member of American Legion Post#50 in South Bend. He was a graduate of Tippecanoe High School, class of 1945. He is survived by his wife; Gertrude Elliott; three sons: Mark (Susan) Elliott of Bristol, Ind.; Paul Elliott of Woodstock, Ill.; David (Linda) Elliott of Fort
Wayne; seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild; and one brother: William "Jake" (Barbara) Elliott of Bourbon. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Friends visited with the family on Sunday, Dec. 30, 2007 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos, IN 46501 As was his wishes a private family services will be on Monday, Dec. 31, 2007. Burial will be held at a later date. Military rites will be preformed by American Legion Post #424 of Bourbon. Memorial contributions may be made to the Center for Hospice & Palliative Care: 112 S. Center St., Suite C, Plymouth, IN 46563 and the Lung Association; 115 W. Washington St., Suite 1180 S. Indianapolis, IN 46204 Electronic condolences may be sent to the family at: memorials@earl-grossmanfuneral.com.

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

Ruth Mae McNear  Date of Death 12/29/2007

Ruth Mae McNear died of natural causes at 10:06 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 29, 2007, at her residence, 908 W. Washington St., Plymouth.

Ruth was 80 years old. Born in Tipton on Aug. 27, 1927, Ruth was the daughter of Emerson and Marjorie Wheatley McColley. She graduated from Akron High School with the class of 1945. On Nov. 5, 1949, she and Max McNear were married. They moved to Plymouth in 1964, and operated the Old Dutch Dairy at the corner of Jefferson and Michigan streets. She also worked in the circulation department of the Pilot News and until September of this year was still hard at work at The Little Store, located on 5th Street. Ruth enjoyed the game of euchre and played three times a week at the Moose Lodge and the Life Enrichment Senior Center.

She is survived by Max, her devoted husband of 58 years and by their daughter, Cindy and Bruce Burkart, South Bend, and their son, Michael McNear and his companion Elaine Best, both of Orefield, Pa. Four grandchildren also survive. They are Cindy and Bruce's children: Bruce Burkart, Jr. and Amy Utz, both of South Bend and Mike's children: Emily McNear, Orefield and Jeff Barbary, Exton, Pa. Five great-grandchildren survive as well. They are: Abbie, Michael and Chloe Utz and Frederyk and Finlea Burkart. Ruth was preceded in death by her parents: two brothers, Norman and Herman and two sisters, Helen and Laveda.

Friends are invited to celebrate the life of Ruth Mae McNear on Wednesday, Jan. 2, 2008, from 2 to 6 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 following visitation at 6 p.m. Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth. Memorial gifts in Ruth's memory are asked to be given to the St. Vincent's Children's Hospital, Indianapolis, Ind. Letters of condolence and the sharing of memories may be sent to the funeral home's internet service: www.johnson-danielson.com.

Audrey V. Lee  Date of Death 12/30/2007

PLYMOUTH - Audrey V. Lee, 75, died at her home, 701 Pennsylvania Ave., Plymouth, at 10:10 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 30, 2007. Audrey was born in Baskin, La., on July 12, 1932, the daughter of Athel C. and Mammie Burch Houston.

On March 12, 1949, in Mississippi she and Charles "Bud" Lee were married. Charles died in 1971. Audrey had lived in Plymouth since 1992 and through the course of her life she had worked as a bookkeeper, photographer, and a registered dietician, but she excelled in being a loving and caring mother, grandmother and great-grandmother to her family.

After Audrey's retirement, she turned to crafting and quilting with an enthusiastic zeal. For 15 years, she and her daughter, Brenda, with whom she lived, had booths to sell their exquisite handiwork. She was a regular at the
Marshall County Blueberry Festival since 1993. Audrey said once of her prodigious quilting talents, "if it doesn't move, I can quilt it!" Audrey loved to travel all over the world but especially enjoyed visiting her sons in Australia every year. No matter where she went, locally or abroad, her one true passion was giving her testimony of her relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ and all that He had done for her, right to the end, which she would tell to everyone she came into contact with.

Audrey is survived by her two daughters Brenda G. and Kiler Richards, Plymouth, and Terry J. and Willy Smith, Parsons, Tenn.; two sons Charles C. "Chuck" Lee, Brisbane, Australia., and Jesse C. Lee, Sydney, Australia. Eight grandchildren also survive. They are: Angela Nolan, Plymouth; Kimberly Ceballos, Culver; Mark Richards, Toledo, Ohio; Josh Richards, Phoenix, Ariz.; Christopher and Douglas Lee, both of Dallas, Texas; Justen "Alex" Lee, Mishawaka, and Cindy Whitsett, Jackson, Tenn. Audrey has 16 surviving great-grandchildren. They are: Chase, Kada, Danielle, Ashley, Garrett, Michael, Karah, Scott, Sam, Ellenora, Inez and Jazmin, Melissa, Austin, Grant, and Brylee. Pauline S. Houston, Audrey's step-mother of Monroe, La., also survives together with three brothers: Glenn, Gerald, and Vernon Houston. She was preceded in death by her husband, three brothers, a sister and a great-grandson.

Her family invites friends to share memories and celebrate the life of their mother, grandmother and great-grandmother on Friday, Jan. 4, 2008, from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth. Funeral services for Audrey will be at 11:00 a.m. at the Plymouth Baptist Church 11345 9A Road, Plymouth on Saturday, Jan. 5, 2008. The Rev. Doug Jividen, pastor of the Plymouth Baptist Church where she was a member, will officiate. Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery. Audrey requested that memorial contributions in her name be made to the Plymouth Baptist Church Building Fund. Messages of condolence may be sent to the family through the funeral home's Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com.

Barbara Lou Miller Date of Death 12/31/2007

Barbara Lou Miller, 80, of Plymouth, died at 5:45 p.m. Monday, Dec. 31 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth, following a brief illness.

She was born Aug. 25, 1927 in Columbia City to Henry O. and Doris (Burnworth) Meier. She married Robert C. Miller in Columbia City, who survives. She lived in Marshall County for the last 20 years coming from Columbia City. A homemaker, she owned and operated a beauty shop for many years in her home in Columbia City. Barbara enjoyed many crafts, especially crocheting, but most of all she enjoyed her family and the many friends she had through her life. She attended Big Lake Church of God in Columbia City and was a graduate of the class of 1945 from Columbia City High School.

She is survived by her husband of 64 years, Robert C. Miller; son, John (Shari) Miller of Plymouth; two grandchildren: Bill (Julia) Miller of Plymouth and Jodi Coyle of Columbia City; four great-grandchildren; two sisters: Marilyn Darr of North Manchester and Mildred (Paul) Hadley of Florida; and one brother, Phillip (Betty) Meier of Woodstock, Ill. She was preceded in death by her parents; son, Robert W. Miller; and three brothers: John, Don and Louis Meier.

Friends may visit with the family Friday, Jan. 4 from 3 to 6 p.m. at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos. Services will be at 6 p.m. Friday, Jan. 4 at the funeral home with Rev. Rob Mace officiating. Burial will follow at a later date. Memorial contributions may be given to the donor's choice. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home. Electronic condolences may be sent to the family at: memorials@earl-grossmanfuneral.com. Arrangements have been entrusted with the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos.
Mary Ellen Nickles  Date of Death 12/31/2007

ARGOS - Mary Ellen Nickles, 85, of Argos, passed away at 2:24 p.m. Monday, Dec. 31, 2007 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, South Bend.

She was born September 21, 1922 in Frankfort to the late Jennings Allison and Helen Marguerite (Butcher) Miller, and lived in North Liberty, Texas, Florida and most recently, Argos.

On June 29, 1940 in Lebanon, she married Carl Eugene Nickles, who preceded her in death on August 6, 1977. She is survived by one daughter, Patricia Irene Dunlap of San Antonio, Texas; three sons, Nelson Eugene Nickles of Walkerton, Jack Marion (and Kathleen Moncrieff) Nickles of Elkhart and Donald Leroy (Yvonne) Nickles of San Antonio, Texas; eight grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren and one sister, Ruth Bevis of Elkhart.

Two sisters, Betty Pauline Rayles and Elsie Louise Clark preceded her in death. Mary was an artist who loved to create oil paintings. At one time or another, she had made an oil painting for all of the kids and grandchildren on subjects they enjoyed. She loved her family, playing scrabble, caring for her numerous house plants and was one of the best chocolate chip cookie bakers. She will be dearly missed.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Jan. 4, at Palmer Funeral Home, Lakeville. Burial will follow at Fair Cemetery, North Liberty.

Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home. Contributions in memory of Mary Ellen Nickles may be made to Palmer Funeral Home to help defray funeral costs.

Mildred J. Nolcheff  Date of Death 12/31/2007


She is survived by daughter, Johanna (Eugene) Richardson of Winchester; sons: Krist (Karen) Nolcheff of Knox and Dorian (Betty) Sobat of Florida; six grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and a brother, Eli Sobat of Portage.

Funeral services will be Monday, Jan. 7 at 11 a.m. CST at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel. Visitation is Sunday, Jan. 6 from 5 to 8 p.m. CST and Monday after 10 a.m. until the time of services at the funeral home. Burial will be in Calumet Park Cemetery, Merrillville at 2:30 p.m.

Memorials may be made to Koontz Lake Missionary Church, 8044 N. S.R. 23, Walkerton, IN 46574.

Dewey R. Troyer  Date of Death 12/31/2007

KNOX - Dewey R. Troyer, 73, of Knox, died Monday, Dec. 31, 2007 at Starke Memorial Hospital.

He is survived by his wife, Rosemarie of Knox; sons: Tim (Claudia) Troyer, Brian Troyer, Irvin Troyer, Jeff (Amelia) Troyer, Rick Troyer and Dewey Troyer Jr., all of Knox; two grandchildren; brothers: John Troyer of Argos, Charlie Troyer of Knox and Tom Troyer of California; and sisters: Arlene Ritchie, Ruth Ann Minix, Carolyn Hensley, all of Knox, and Darlene Badsk of Colorado.

Visitation is Friday, Jan. 4 at 11 a.m. CST at the Community Church of Monterey until the time of services at 2 p.m. Burial will be at Crown Hill Cemetery, Knox.

Memorials may be made to the church. Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel, is handling the
arrangements.