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Waletta Stanley  Date of Death 1/1/2008

WALKERTON - Waletta Stanley, 87, died Tuesday, Jan. 1, 2008 at 9:15 a.m. in Miller's Merry Manor, Walkerton.

She is survived by a son, Hargis B. (Susie) Salyer of Walkerton; daughter, Jeri Lou (David) Baker of Louisville, Ky.; five grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; brother, Rodney (Ielene) Howard of Walkerton; and sisters: Gladys Bennett of Argos, Louise (Wesley) Setnor of Florida and Dora (Roy) Howard of Koontz Lake.

Visitation is Friday, Jan. 4 from 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. ET at the Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel. Funeral services are Saturday, Jan. 5 at 11 a.m. ET at the funeral home. Burial will be in the Westlawn Cemetery, North Liberty.

Memorials may be given to the Alzheimer's Association.

Lillian Elizabeth Stoner  Date of Death 1/1/2008

BOISE, Idaho — Lillian Elizabeth Stoner, 93, of Boise, Idaho, formerly of South Bend, died Jan. 1, 2008.

She is survived by three daughters, Barbara (William) Fifer of Bremen, Nancy (Michael) May of Boise, Idaho and Diana Sipe of Mishawaka, eight grandchildren, and 18 great-grandchildren. She is also survived by her sister, Marian Humphrey of Jones, Mich.

Visitation is one hour prior to a 2 p.m. burial in Chapel Hill Funeral Home, 10776 McKinley Highway, Osceola on Wednesday, Jan. 9. Burial will be in Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens, Osceola. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given to the Center for Hospice & Palliative Care, Inc., 111 Sunnybrook Court, South Bend, IN 46637.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.chapelhillmemorial.com.

Thomas Speirs  Date of Death 1/4/2008

PAXTON, Ill. — Thomas (Tommy) Speirs, 81 of Paxton; formerly of Plymouth, died at 5:35 p.m. Friday, Jan. 4, 2008, at his home.

There will be no services at this time.

The remains will be interred at the New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth, at a later date.

Ford-Baier Funeral Home, Paxton, Ill. Is handling arrangements.

Betty Jane Gerard  Date of Death 1/6/2008

FORT WAYNE — Betty Jane Gerard, 86, of Syracuse, died Sunday, Jan. 6, 2008 at 1:50 a.m. at Lutheran Hospital of Fort Wayne after a sudden illness. She was born June 20, 1921 in Phillips, Wis. To Albert and Anna (Schleicker) Tenut. In 1941, she married William Gerard. She moved to Plymouth in 1952 from Chicago, and moved to Syracuse in 1995.

A homemaker, she was a charter member of Shepherd by the Lakes Lutheran Church in Syracuse and was a former member of Calvary Evangelical Lutheran Church in Plymouth. She was also active at the Syracuse Senior Center.

She is survived by two sons: Gerald "Jerry" (Gloria) Gerard of Goshen and Gary (Mary) Gerard of Syracuse; a sister, Lena Jackson of Evanston, Ill.; two grandchildren: Evan and Braedon Gerard of Syracuse, four step-grandchildren: Scott Green, Deb Wheeler, Cindy Matuska and
Shane Green; and 13 step-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband William on Aug. 6, 1989; one sister and three brothers.

Visitation will be held Wednesday, Jan. 9 from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Mishler-Eastlund Funeral Home Harris Chapel, Syracuse, and one hour prior to services Thursday at the church.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, Jan. 10 at 10:30 a.m. at Shepherd by the Lakes Lutheran Church, 7449 E. 1000 N., Syracuse, with Pastor Jerry Winegarden officiating.

Burial will be at Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial contributions may be made to Shepherd by the Lakes Lutheran Church.

The Mishler Eastlund Funeral Home, Harris Chapel in Syracuse is assisting the family with arrangements. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.mishlerfuneralhomes.com

Dale Thomas Barnett  Date of Death 1/7/2008

ELKHART — Dale Thomas Barnett, 54, of Elkhart, died at 8:41 a.m. Monday, Jan. 7 at home.

He is survived by his father, Gerald Barnett of Las Vegas, Nev.; son, Justin Dale (Lori) Barnett of Plymouth; sister, Karen (Steve) Bottorff of Stuart, Va.; half brother, Mark Barnett of Las Vegas, Nev.; four granddaughters; and his companion, Lois Weiderman of Elkhart.

There will be no visitation. Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 10 at the Zimmerman-Inman Funeral Home, Osceola. A memorial wake and luncheon will take place after the services at The Res Hotel in Mishawaka.

Burial will be at Olive Cemetery, Wakarusa.

Memorials may be made to the Dale Barnett Memorial Fund c/o Dale’s family.

Lawrence E. Kennedy  Date of Death 1/7/2008


Living at Yellowcreek Lake for most of his life, Lawrence was the owner and operator of Tri-Namic Printing in Warsaw for more than 40 years. He was also a former employee of R.R. Donnelley in Warsaw. He was a veteran in the U.S. Army serving from 1955-1958.

He was a 1955 Plymouth High School graduate. Lawrence was the past district governor for Kiwanis Clubs International from 1982-1983 and current member of the Warsaw Noon Kiwanis. He was also a member of AOPA and attended the conventions is Oshkosh, Wis. For many years. He enjoyed quiet night rides on Yellowcreek Lake, sitting with the “Yellowcreek crew” swapping stories and waterskiing. He also enjoyed breakfast and lunch at Dig’s Diner, snow skiing in Keystone, Colo. And breakfast fly-ins while piloting a Cessna out of the Mentone and Warsaw airports. Lawrence was a handyman and home remodeler. He also delivered Meals on Wheels in the Silver Lake area.

He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth; daughter, Debbie (Ronald) Coleman of Plainfield; sons: Brogan Kennedy of Warsaw and Robert “Bob” (Carrie) Kennedy of Warsaw; two grandchildren: Jason and Brittany Kennedy of Warsaw; and two brothers: Paul (Linda) Kennedy of Auburn and
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David (Pat) Kennedy of North Carolina.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his first wife.

Visitation is Friday, Jan. 11 from 1 to 3 p.m. at Titus Funeral Home, Warsaw.

Funeral services are Friday, Jan. 11 at 3 p.m. at the funeral home with Rev. Jamy Gregory officiating.
Memorials may be made to the donor’s choice.

Gordon E. Parker  Date of Death 1/7/2008

PLYMOUTH – Gordon E. “Bud” Parker, 95, died at 10 a.m. on Monday, Jan. 7, 2008, in Miller’s Merry Manor, Columbia City. He had been a Plymouth resident since 1950, coming from Downers Grove, Ill. and establishing his home on the Plymouth-Goshen Trail until 1993. He moved to River Park for the next seven years and then Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth, until one month ago, when he was transferred to Columbia City.

Born in LaPaz on April 16, 1912 and raised on the County-Line Road, Gordon was the son of Emory M. and Olive W. Bechtal Parker. He graduated from Lakeville High School with the class of 1930 and Purdue University in 1934 with a Degree in Civil Engineering. He later did Post Graduate Studies at Purdue.


Gordon taught Math and Industrial arts at Lakeville High School for six years, then was Superintendent of Construction for Swift & Company - Globe Engineering for 33 years, retiring in 1974.

He enjoyed working in his lawn and garden and was an avid Crossword puzzle fan.

Gordon is survived by a daughter, Sandra and Robert Thomas of Columbia City; a son, Larry G. and Virgie Parker of Tallahassee, Fla.; seven grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and a sister, Carmen Fetters of Jacksonville, Fla.

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

Friends will be welcomed on Thursday, Jan. 10, 2008, from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

A celebration of his life will be at 10 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 11, 2008, in the funeral home. Rev. Joel Thomas, Gordon’s grandson, and Rev. Ruth Yoder, Pastor of the Plymouth Church of the Brethren, of which Gordon was a member, will officiate.

Burial will follow in the Bremen Cemetery, Bremen.

Memorial gifts in Gordon’s memory may be made to the Plymouth Church of the Brethren.

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

Dennis Eugene Stokes  Date of Death 1/7/2008

WALKERTON — Dennis Eugene Stokes, 75, of Walkerton, died Monday, Jan. 7 in Mason Healthcare Center, Warsaw.

He is survived by his wife, Joan; daughter, Carolyn Stokes of Warsaw; sons: Danny Stokes of Mobile, Ala. And Glen Stokes of Walkerton; eight grandchildren; two great-grandchildren;
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Lowell James Cox  Date of Death 1/8/2008

PLYMOUTH — Lowell James Cox, 87, of 6689 Old U.S. 31, died at 8:33 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 8, 2008 at his residence of natural causes.

Lowell was born Jan. 18, 1920 in Plymouth to Edgar J. and Lura G. Snyder Cox. He graduated from LaPaz High School with the class of 1938.

On Nov. 3, 1946 in the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth, Lowell took the beautiful Helen M. Meiser to be his wife.

Lowell was a proud First Sergeant of the United States Army and a member of the 11th Airborne. He was part of the 503rd regimental combat team that jumped on Corridor in the Philippines; he was also part of the occupying force of Japan that stayed after the war. After serving his country he worked as a tool and die maker with the South Bend Tool and Die Company.

He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth, the A.F. of L.C.I.O. Union, the Tool and Die Makers Lodge #1384, and he was a 32nd degree Mason.

Lowell adored his wife Helen, and his grandsons, he also enjoyed golf, not only playing it, but watching it on the television. He loved gardening and tractors.

He is survived by a son Barry (Trisha) Cox of Plymouth; a daughter, Beth A. Cox of Monument, Colo.; three grandchildren: Kalum, Jordan, and Masen Cox; and one great-granddaughter McKenzie, all of Plymouth. Two brothers Wayne (Marjorie) Cox, of Bremen, and Dale (Betty) Cox, of Lakeville, survive as well.

Lowell was preceded in death by his wife, his parents, and a brother Paul Cox.

Friends are invited to share memories with Lowell’s family in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth on Wednesday Jan. 16, 2008 from 5 to 8 p.m.

Funeral services conducted by Rev. Stephen Cox, Cornerstone Community Fellowship, LaPaz, will be held Thursday, Jan. 17, 2008 at 10 a.m. in the funeral home.

Interment will be held in Chapel Hill Cemetery, Osceola, at a later date.

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

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

George Wesley Geller  Date of Death 1/9/2008

ROCHESTER — George Wesley Geller, 67, of Rochester, died at 7:45 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 9 at home.

Visitation is Thursday, Jan. 10 from 5 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to services Friday in the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. A celebration of life service will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Jan. 11 in the funeral home.

**Douglas C. Housley  Date of Death 1/9/2008**

LAKE OF THE WOODS — Douglas C. Housley, 63, of Lake of the Woods, died at 3:11 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 9 at Community Hospital of Bremen.

He is survived by his companion, Cathie Thompson; son, Jeremy (Heather) Housley of Lake of the Woods; stepdaughter, Connie (Dave) Gill of Bremen; two grandchildren; six step-grandchildren; one great-step-grandchild; brothers: David (Pam) Housley of Bremen, John (Cheryl) Housley of Bremen and Dick (Cheryl) Housley of Elkhart; and sisters: Jean Thompson of Purvis, Miss., Evon (Ronald) Miller of Purvis, Miss., Louise Working of Bella Vista, Ark., Shirley (James) Wallace of Bremen and Sue (George) Stangas of South Bend.

Visitation is Friday, Jan. 11 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen. Funeral services will be held Saturday, Jan. 12 at 2 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at the Union Center Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association.

**Velma E. Stichler  Date of Death 1/9/2008**

ROCHESTER — Velma E. Stichler, 91, of Rochester, died at 11:43 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 9, 2008 at Lakeview Manor, Indianapolis.

She is survived by a son, Charles Buford Stichler of Indianapolis; daughter-in-law, Sharon Stichler of Anderson; five grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and one great-great-granddaughter.

Visitation is Friday, Jan. 11 from 5 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to services Saturday at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Funeral services are Saturday, Jan. 12 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Richland Center IOOF Cemetery.

**John Ray Cole  Date of Death 1/12/2008**


He is survived by brothers: Guy Cole of Murphysboro, Ill. And Gerrel Cole of Knox; and sisters: Gladys DeVault of Plymouth, Virginia Clemons of Knox and June Allen of North Judson.

Visitation was Wednesday, Jan. 16 from 4 to 8 p.m. at Braman & Son Memorial Chapel, Knox. Funeral services are Thursday, Jan. 17 at 1 p.m. at the chapel.
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Burial will be at Round Lake Cemetery, Knox.

**Brenda Lee Miller  Date of Death 1/12/2008**

NAPPANEE — Brenda Lee Miller, 55, of Nappanee, died at 11:10 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 12 at Goshen General Hospital.

She is survived by daughters: Angel Miller of Goshen and Jennifer Miller of Ohio; sons: Tom Kuntz of Bremen and Steve Miller of Nappanee; mother, Doris Wylie of Nappanee; sister, Laura Poor of Star City; and brothers: Doug Wylie of Niles, Mich., Keith Wylie of Plymouth and Ed Wylie of Star City.

There will be no services or visitation. Arrangements are being handled by Elkhart Cremation Services.

**James Max Sickman  Date of Death 1/12/2008**

James Max Sickman, 57, raised in Hamlet, and a Florida resident for more than 20 years, entered eternity on Jan. 12, 2008 with his wife Joan at his side, surrounded by close family.

James is survived by his sons: James of Walkerton, Dale of Richardson, Texas and Tom of Franklin, Ga.; stepsons: John of Sandusky, Ohio, Russell of Oaklawn, Ill., Daron of LaBelle, Fla. And Nathan of Huron, Ohio; 17 grandchildren; his sister, Nancy Kinder of Lake Ponosoffkee, Fla.; and brothers: Roy of Plymouth and David of LaPorte and their families.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Mary and Max; and brothers: Lowell, Robert, Frank and Jack.

You are so loved and will be missed so much. Services will be private. Memorial contributions may be made to Hope Hospice.

Lee Memorial Park, Fort Myers, Fla., is in charge of the arrangements.

**Marion "Paul" Warner  Date of Death 1/12/2008**

Marion "Paul" Warner, 66, of the Plymouth and Culver areas, died Saturday, Jan. 12.

He is survived by his wife, Barbara Sue; son, David Warner; daughter, Tracy Lynn Campbell; stepson, Dale (Shari) Peterson; four grandchildren; sister, Frances Moffett; brother, Richard (Tammy) Warner; and a half brother, James Engle.

Memorial services may be held at a later date.

Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, is assisting the family with arrangements.

**Hershel G. Fisher  Date of Death 1/13/2008**

BREMEN — Hershel G. Fisher, 89, of Bremen, died at 9:10 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 13, 2008 at home after an extended illness. He was born on May 16, 1918 in Nappanee to Virgil and Anna (Fox) Fisher. On Dec. 25, 1937, he married the former Pearl Laverne Young.

A lifetime farmer, he also worked for 16 years at Amish Acres after retirement. He was a member of Bremen Missionary Church. As a father and grandfather he set a wonderful example of devotion to God and family, love, perseverance and integrity.

He is survived by his wife of 70 years, Laverne Fisher; daughters: Loretta (Lee) Thomas of Bremen, Carolyn (George) Reed of Nappanee and Donna (Larry W.) Lemler of Bourbon; son,
Bill (Diana) Fisher of Bourbon; 11 grandchildren, three great-grandchildren; four step grandchildren; two step great-grandchildren; and brothers: Gale Dean (Nancy) Fisher, Donald (Ilah) Fisher and Richard Wayne (Sharon) Fisher.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one grandson, Keith Thomas and one brother, James Fisher.

Visitation is Wednesday, Jan. 16 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen, and one hour prior to the service at the church Thursday.

Funeral services are Thursday, Jan. 17 at 11 a.m. at Bremen Missionary Church with Pastor Gary Hinkle officiating.

Burial will be at the Bremen Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Center for Hospice & Palliative Care of Marshall County or the Bremen Missionary Church Building Fund.

The Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen is assisting the family with arrangements. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.mishlerfuneralhomes.com

Dr. Harold B. Wackerle  Date of Death 1/13/2008

LAPAZ — Dr. Harold B. Wackerle, D.O, 86, went to be with his Heavenly Father, on Sunday, Jan. 13, 2008. He died peacefully of natural causes in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, South Bend, with Evelyn, his wife of 57 years at his bedside.

Dr. Wackerle was born on Sept. 16, 1921 in Deerfield, Mo. To Harold E. and G. Marie Beahm Wackerle. He grew up in the Southeastern Kansas towns of Bartlett and Chetopa.

From 1942-1943, he studied premed at Coffeyville, (Kan.), Junior College and Pittsburg (Kan.) State, before being drafted in June of 1943.

He served his country as a decorated Staff Sergeant in the United States Army in World War II. As a member of the Medical Corps of the 41st Army Infantry Division, under Gen. Douglas MacArthur, he saw action in New Guinea and was in the battles of Leyte, Mindora and Luzon. He made three separate landings in the Philippines during the War.

After receiving an undergraduate degree, on Jan. 21, 1950, Dr. Wackerle graduated from the Kirksville School of Osteopathic Medicine with a degree in Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery. He mentioned often that he was the last surviving member of his graduating class.

In February of 1951, he completed his internship at Detroit’s Osteopathic Hospital in Highland Park, Mich.

Three months before, on Nov. 18, 1950 in Ontario, Canada, Harold and Evelyn McIlwain were married. She, a Registered Nurse, and her husband practiced medicine together, side-by-side for more than 47 years. Their first office was in Lincoln then Cole Camp and St. Louis, Mo. He was elected County Coroner of Benton County, Mo., before coming to LaPaz for his last 40 years of the practice of medicine.

A devoted family physician, he made house calls at all hours of the night: in the snow and the rain and even delivered a baby under a street light in the back seat of his new 1952 Chrysler.

His office phone number was the same as his residence and only a wall separated his clinic from their home. This way patients always knew he was there for them.

At one time, he calculated that he had seen enough patients to fill Notre Dame Stadium four times.
Dr. Wackerle is survived by Evelyn, his devoted wife and by their two children and four grandchildren.

They are their son and daughter-in-law, Rex B. and Kim Wackerle and their children, Harold D. Wackerle and Lauren A. Wackerle, all of Arlington, Va., and their daughter and son-in-law and their children: Andrea M. and Earl M. Rozran and children, Eric Rozran and Marilyn M. Rozran, all of Pleasanton, Calif.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Harold E. Wackerle and G. Marie Wackerle of Chetopa, Kan., and his son, Harold Stevan Wackerle, and sister, Virginia Marie Foley.

Friends are invited to visit with the Wackerle family on Friday, Jan. 18, 2008, from 3 to 8 p.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, and on Saturday, Jan. 19, 2008, for one hour prior to the 3 p.m. church services at the Lakeville United Methodist Church, 610 N. Michigan St., Lakeville.

The Reverend Larry Dimick and Reverend Doug Erickson will officiate at the funeral service for Dr. Wackerle.

Burial will be in the Oakhill Cemetery of Chetopa, Kan.

The family requests that memorial gifts in his name be made to the Salvation Army.

Notes of condolence and the sharing of memories may be sent to the family via the funeral home’s internet: www.johnson-danielson.com

Steven Warren Lemler  Date of Death 1/14/2008

Steven Warren Lemler, 35, of Speedway, formerly of Bourbon, died at 4 p.m. Monday, Jan. 14, 2008 at home.

He is survived by his mother, Esther Rocourt; his father, Kenneth Lemler; a brother, Nathan Lemler; uncle, Richard and Marie Lemler; and aunt, Adelaide and David McGuire.

Funeral services will be Saturday, Jan. 19 at 10:30 a.m. in The Country Church. Visitation is from 4 to 7 p.m. Friday at the church.

Burial will follow in Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Bourbon.

Marvin E. "Mike" Ringle  Date of Death 1/14/2008

PLYMOUTH – Marvin E. "Mike" Ringle, 89, a lifetime Plymouth area resident, died of natural causes in the Catherine Kasper Life Center, Donaldson, at 6:20 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 14, 2008.

Mike was the son of Frank E. and Eldora P. Elkins Ringle. He was born in Plymouth on Aug. 31, 1918.

He attended Plymouth schools.

On Nov. 20, 1939, in Plymouth, Mike and Wilma E. Shelton were married. Wilma died on Sept. 1, 1987.

He first drove truck for Warsaw Trucking for about 10 years and then was a driver for the State Highway Dept. for 13 years, retiring at the age of 65.

An outdoorsman, he loved fishing, hunting and mushrooming. He liked to travel and hunted in Michigan, traveled in California and wintered in Florida.
Mike is survived by three daughters. They are Marla A. Keefer of Rochester, Sandra Bornes of Warsaw and Janeal (Terry) Youngman of Frankton.

Thirteen grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren also survive together with a brother, Wendell (Carol) Ringle of Rochester.

Mike was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, two brothers, Francis and Ray Ringle; four sisters: Dorothy Lee, Gene Andrews, Louise Casper and Phyllis Lyons; and two grandsons, Kevin Condon and David Bornes.

Friends are invited to celebrate the life of Mike Ringle with his family on Thursday, Jan. 17, 2008, from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth. Funeral services for Mike will be at 3 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 17, 2008, in the funeral home. The Rev. John Branch of the Plymouth Wesleyan Church, will officiate.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery.

Memorial gifts in Mike’s name may be to a charity of the donor’s choice.

Letters of condolence and the sharing of memories may be sent to the family via the funeral home’s Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com

Nicole Elaine Thornton  Date of Death 1/14/2008

PLYMOUTH — Nicole Elaine Thornton, 17, of 7 510 Hickory Rd., Plymouth passed away at 11 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 14 in Kosciusko Community Hospital of injuries she suffered in an automobile accident in rural Marshall County.

Nicole was born the daughter of Steven Glen Thornton and Maria Christina Guerrero Thornton on Nov. 26, 1990 at Plymouth. She had been a lifetime resident of the Plymouth and Bourbon area.

Nicole was a junior at Triton High School where she was very active in student activities that include Girls Golf, Wrestling Manager, Art Club, FBLA, FCCLA, FFA and Spanish Club. She was an enjoyable person for which the student body will greatly miss.

Her survivors include: her mother and father of Plymouth; a brother, Anthony Guerrero of Plymouth; maternal grandfather, Manuel Guerrero and maternal grandmother, Maria Fernandez both of Plymouth; paternal grandparents, Glen Bruce and Elaine Mary Thornton of Battle Creek, Mich.; and her paternal great-grandmother, Mildred Grace Guennette of Ingersoll, Canada.

Funeral services to celebrate Nicole’s life will be on Saturday, Jan. 19 at 2 p.m. in Bourbon First United Methodist Church with Rev. Mark Day officiating.

The family will receive friends from 2 to 8 p.m. Friday at the Bourbon First United Methodist Church at 204 N. Washington St.

Burial will follow in the Pleasant Hill Cemetery at Bourbon.

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

Donald E. Frenger  Date of Death 1/16/2008

Donald E. Frenger, 84, a resident of Greencroft Nursing Center, Goshen, formerly of Nappanee, died at 9:15 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 16 at Goshen General Hospital.
He is survived by his wife, Hazel Heiser of Haines City, Fla.; daughters: Janet (Roger) Kruk of Granger and Joan (Lance) Whitely of Laytonville, Calif.; sons: William (Pam) Heiser of Hillsboro, Ore., Robert Heiser of Chesterfield, Mo. And Bruce (Leslie) Heiser of St. Charles, Mo.; nine
grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Thursday, Jan. 24 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver.

Funeral services are Friday, Jan. 25 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Burr Oak Cemetery.

Robert M. Moore  Date of Death 1/19/2008

ROCHESTER — Robert M. Moore, 78, of Rochester, died Saturday, Jan. 19.

He is survived by his wife, Bobbie Moore of Rochester.

Visitation is Saturday, Jan. 26 from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver.

Funeral services are Saturday, Jan. 26 at 12 p.m. at the funeral home. Military graveside rites by the VFW American Legion. Burial will be at the Leiters Ford IOOF Cemetery.

Keith D. Ash  Date of Death 1/20/2008

PLYMOUTH — Keith D. Ash, 81, of Plymouth, died Sunday, Jan. 20 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

He is survived by daughters: Sandra L. (Matt) Lough of Culver, Toni Shinabarger of Goshen and Barbara Ash of Okeechobee, Fla.; son, Dion K. Ash of Indianapolis; two grandchildren; and sister, Alma Jean and Bill Davis of North Judson.

Visitation is Tuesday, Jan. 22 from 5 to 7 p.m. and Wednesday, Jan. 23 after 7 a.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth.

Funeral services are Wednesday, Jan. 23 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth, with military rites given by the Plymouth American Legion Post #27.

Memorials may be made to the Plymouth Church of the Brethren.

Cameron M. Babcock  Date of Death 1/20/2008

PLYMOUTH – Lance Cpl. Cameron M. Babcock, USMC, a lifetime Plymouth resident, died from an accidental shooting in his barracks of the 1st Marine Division at the Twentynine Palms Marine Base, California, on Sunday, Jan. 20, 2008.

He was 19-years and 10-months old.

He will be remembered by his family and friends as a friendly young man with an incredible personality and a particular talent for music. He always gave his best and led the way.

Cameron was born in Plymouth, on March 3, 1988, the son of Jeffery A. and Ann M. Smith Babcock.

He graduated from Plymouth High School with the class of 2006. He played the trumpet in the Big Red Marching Band and was a member of the PHS Advanced Jazz Band that competed at the State Jazz Festival in LaPorte in 2005. He was also a member of the Wind Ensemble, comprised of some of the school’s top music students.
As an eighth grader he went to the State Swim meets with the Plymouth Swim Club.

Cameron had told his family and friends that he always wanted to serve his country as a United States Marine.

He enlisted in the Marine Corps on June 20, 2006, and was meritoriously promoted to Private First Class at graduation from Boot Camp. He was proud to be a Marine, serving as a rifleman in the Infantry.

Attached to Kilo Company, 3rd Battalion, 7th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division, Cameron had served a tour of combat duty in Iraq in support of Iraqi Freedom. He was most recently home in Plymouth over the Christmas holidays.

He was scheduled to deploy to OIF with Kilo 3/7 in the winter of 2008.


Cameron loved music, especially rock and roll. He played guitar and enjoyed the outdoors, four-wheeling and being with his family and friends.

He attended the Plymouth Baptist Church.

Cameron is survived by his parents, three sisters and a brother. They are Kailey, Abigail, Hope and Samuel Babcock, all of Plymouth.

His maternal grandparents, Mike and Anna Smith and maternal grandmother, Judy Norton, and his paternal grandparents, Roger and Carrolyne Babcock, all of Plymouth, also survive his death.

An aunt, Cindy and Steve Odiorne, two uncles, David Smith and Jerry and Ginger Smith, all of Plymouth, survive as well, together with cousins Ben and Lauren Smith and Joel Salazar.

Friends are invited to share memories of Cameron with his family from 4 to 8 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 28, 2008, at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, and one hour prior to the services on Tuesday, at the Plymouth Baptist Church.

Funeral services will be held in the Plymouth Baptist Church, 11345 9A Rd., on Tuesday, Jan. 29, 2008, at 11 a.m. The Rev. Douglas Jividen, pastor of the church, will officiate.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth, with full military honors provided by the United States Marine Corps.

Memorial gifts in Cameron’s memory may be made to the American Cancer Society in honor of his grandmother, Anna Smith.

Letters of condolence can be sent to the family via the funeral home’s Internet: www.johnson-danielson.com

Elizabeth Chupp  Date of Death 1/20/2008

MILFORD — Elizabeth Chupp, 84, of Milford, died Jan. 20 at her home.

She is survived by two brothers: William (Mary) Chupp of Bremen and Edward (Alta) Chupp of Nappanee; two sisters: Lydia Hochstetler and Edna Schwartz of Nappanee and many nieces and nephews.

Viewing was held at 10:30 a.m. Monday, Jan. 21 at the Lavern Schwartz residence.
Funeral services will be held Tuesday, Jan. 22 at 9:30 a.m. at the Schwartz home, located at 10485W 1350 N with burial to follow at the Weldy Cemetery.

Funeral arrangements were made through Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee.

Stanley O. Getz  Date of Death 1/20/2008

BREMEN — Stanley O. Getz, 86, of Bremen, died at 7:10 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 20 at Bremen Health Care Center.

He is survived by a son, Stephen M. Getz of Bremen; daughter, Elizabeth (Mike) Getz-Capron of Bremen; brother, RueDee Marker of Mesa, Ariz.; and three grandchildren.

Visitation is Wednesday, Jan. 23 from 2 to 8 p.m. at the Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen. Funeral services are Thursday, Jan. 24 at 10 a.m. at the Zion United Church of Christ in Wakarusa.

Burial will be at the Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens.

Memorials may be made to Zion United Church of Christ in Wakarusa and/or Bremen Health Care Center.

Harold W. Klemz  Date of Death 1/20/2008

KNOX — Harold W. Klemz, 86, died Sunday, Jan. 20, 2008 in his home.

He is survived by his wife, Shirley; daughters: Becky Volaski of Lafayette, Margaret (Les) Keiser and Jennifer (Jim) Landrum, all of Knox; sons: David (Lisa) of Pataskala, Ohio and John (Misty) of Las Vegas; 17 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; and sister, Edith Tomlinson of Hebron.

There will be no services or visitation.

Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel, is in charge of arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Starke County Library, 152 W. Culver Rd., Knox, IN 46534.

Loren F., Sr. Bules  Date of Death 1/21/2008

PLYMOUTH — Loren F. Bules, Sr., a 33 year resident of 410 S. 6th. St., Plymouth, died at 8:35 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 21, 2008, in the Veterans Administration Northern Indiana Health Care System in Marion, Ind.

Loren, a Marshall County area resident most of his lifetime had been in failing health for the past several years. He was 69 years old.

Born in Warsaw on June 28, 1938, Loren was the son of Jacob M. and Mary E. (Joyce) Bules. He graduated from Etna Green High School.

He served his country in the United States Navy from June of 1955 until June of 1959.


A disabled veteran, Loren worked for Ben Colvin Plumbing and the Big Blue Store in Plymouth.

He liked to garden and to feed the deer and birds. He enjoyed spending time with his family and
volunteered for community activities. He helped with building the children’s playground at Centennial Park and had worked with the river clean-up project.

He was a member of the D.A.V. and the V.F.W. Post 1162 and the American Legion Post 27.

Loren is survived by two daughters and three sons. His daughters are Debra D. Hatter and Hope C. (Gregory) Miller, both of Plymouth. His sons are Loren F. and Dawn Bules, Mishawaka: Timothy A. (Kristen) Bules, Plymouth, and Andy L. Bules, Tampa, Fla.

Two brothers, Carl (Dolly) Bules of Florida and Verlen (Mary Ann) Bules, and a sister, Maxine (Cecil) Binkley, all of Etna Green, also survive.

Thirteen grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews survive as well.

Loren was preceded in death by his parents, his spouse, four brothers: Clarence, George, Lewis and John Bules and two sisters: Madalene Cartwright and Hazel Pascoff.

Friends are invited to share memories of Loren with his family from 4 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 24, and after 7 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 25, at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services, officiated by the V.A. Chaplain, will be held in the funeral home on Friday, Jan. 25, at 10 a.m.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth with military honors by members of the American Legion Post and Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Memorial gifts in Loren’s name may be made to the Disabled American Veterans.

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

Richard H. Martin  Date of Death 1/21/2008

SEBRING, Fla. — Richard H. Martin, 96, of Sebring, Fla. (formerly of Gobles, Mich.), passed away Monday, Jan. 21, 2008 at Good Shepherd Hospice, Auburndale, Fla. Mr. Martin was born Dec. 31, 1911 in Macy, the son of Frank and Freda (Zartman) Martin. He resided in the Kalamazoo-Gobles, Mich. area from 1937. He was a veteran of WWII, a member of the Merson Church and retired from Clarage Fan (Zurn Ind.) in 1976.

Surviving are three sisters: Ann (Ed) O’Blenis of Sebring, Fla., Mary (Robert) Adams of Sebring, Fla. And Marcella (Irwin) Fender of Independence, Mo.; three brothers: Keith Martin of South Bend, Glen (Bonnie) Martin of Plymouth and Cecil Martin of Plymouth; four sisters-in-law: Dorothy Martin of Walkerton, Deveda Martin of Sebring, Fla., Wilma Martin of Plymouth and Agnes Martin of Plymouth; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary, in 1991; five brothers: Howard, Homer, Edwin, John and Harold; and one sister, Helen.

The family will meet friends Monday, Janu. 28, 2008 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at D. L. Miller Funeral Home, Gobles, Mich., www.dlmillerfuneralhome.com, where funeral services will be held at 1 p.m., Pastor Don Miller officiating. Interment Mt. Ever-Rest Memorial Park, Kalamazoo, Mich.

Joan Marie Miller  Date of Death 1/21/2008

PLYMOUTH – At home in the company of her loving family, Joan Marie Miller, 14469 Crest Lane, Plymouth, died of natural causes at 10:55 a.m. on Monday, Jan. 21, 2008.
Always smiling and upbeat, she will be missed by her family and her many friends.

Family always came first. She adored her 12 grandchildren who called her “Mama.” She was simply Joanie to her friends.

Joanie was born on Nov. 18, 1945, in Binghamton, N.Y., the daughter of John J. and Jeanne Paula Hirten Skahill.

A graduate of Arlington Heights High School with the class of 1964, Joanie attended both Vincennes University, where she met Larry, and Eastern Illinois University.

On Sept. 23, 1967, she and Lawrence “Larry” Miller were married in Arlington Heights, Ill.

They resided in Culver from 1967 to 1975 and then moved to Plymouth. Joanie worked as an aide in the Plymouth School Corporation for 20 years, retiring in 2005.

Known as an excellent and enthusiastic golfer, Joanie loved the game and was very good at it, playing with the Plymouth Country Club ladies 18-hole and the couples’ Wednesday evening outings.

You could always count on Joanie to cheer on the less-accomplished players with a “Great Shot!

She and her husband enjoyed dancing and traveling to their Islands. Also, for many years they walked together and you may have seen them in the early morning hours walking along Overmyer Drive.

She liked to fish, hike and camp-out. She had a “green thumb” and loved her gardens. It was her daily chore counting how many frogs were sunbathing on any given day.

In addition to Larry, her loving husband of 40 years, Joanie is survived by their son and three daughters. They are; Christopher Miller, Plymouth: Carrie (Charles) Tharp, Plymouth: Theresa (Tia) and her husband, John, Pacilio, Carmel; and Erin (Andy) Metsker, Plymouth.

Robert Listenberger, Plymouth, a son-in-law, survives as well, together with a sister and brother-in-law in Chico, Calif., Judy Katz-Engelbert and Phil Engelbert and two brothers: John (Pricilla) Skahill, Rotonda West, Fla., and Jim Skahill, Belleir, Bluff, Fla.

Joanie’s beloved granddaughters are: Sidney, Emily and Celia Listenberger: Taylor, Kaitlyn, Sophia and Ella Pacilio and Allison Tharp. Her cherished grandsons are: Garrett and Morgan Tharp, Jack Pacilio and Grady Metsker.

Joanie was preceded in death by her parents and a grandson, Cameron Scott Miller.

A celebration of Joan Marie Miller’s life will be held on Friday, Jan. 25 at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, where family will greet friends and share memories from 4 to 8 p.m.

A Rosary will be prayed at 8 p.m. Friday evening in the funeral home.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held in St. Michael’s Catholic Church, 613 N. Center St., Plymouth, where she was a member, at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 26. The Rev. Fathers Timothy Hirten and William J. Kummer, pastor of the church, will officiate.

In lieu of flowers, Joanie has requested that memorial contributions be made to St. Michael’s School, the Marshall County Hospice and Palliative Care or a charity of the donor’s choice.

Online condolences may be sent to the family via: www. Johnson-danielson.com
Leon Burke  Date of Death 1/22/2008

PLYMOUTH — Leon Burke, 72, of 312 Alexander Street, Plymouth died Tuesday Jan. 22, 2008 at 9:43 am in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Mishawaka.

Leon was born June 21, 1935 in Philadelphia, Penn. To Raymond and Mary (Muldoughney) Burke.

Fifty-one years ago, he and Mary P. Ready were married Dec. 7, 1956 in Maryland, Penn.

After graduating high school, Leon joined the Navy, he served during the Korean War; he was also a Merchant Marine. After serving his country he pursued a career as a police officer, he was on a K-9 unit with his partner Baron (his dog). After being on the K-9 unit he became an undercover officer often disguised as a priest. Upon retirement, Leon drove a school bus for a year and then worked as an assistant supervisor for the Frankfort Hospital in Philadelphia.

Leon enjoyed woodworking, fishing, and traveling around to different campgrounds to go camping.

He is survived by his wife Mary; three daughters: Marylee Burke and Joan T. Burke, both of Plymouth, and Deborah A. (Virgil) Payton, Mobile, Ala.; one son: Leon Burke, Philadelphia, Penn.; five grandchildren: Nicole and Leon of Philadelphia, Penn., and Debbie, Joseph and William of Plymouth.

One sister: Pat (Edward) Polinski of North Carolina and a niece: Rosemond (Bob) Smith, of Morton, Penn. Survives as well.

Leon was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers: Joseph and Raymond, and two sisters: Margaret and Tootsie.

A time of sharing with family and friends will be held Wednesday Jan. 30, from 10 to 11 a.m. in St. Michael Church. A funeral liturgy officiated by Father William Kummer will directly follow at 11 a.m.

Memorial contributions may be given to the charity of the donor’s choice.

Online condolences may be sent to the family through the funeral homes Web site at www.johnson-danielson.com.

PLYMOUTH — Leon Burke, 72, of Plymouth, died Tuesday, Jan. 22 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Mishawaka.

He is survived by his wife Mary P. Burke of Plymouth; daughters: Marylee Burke of Plymouth, Joan T. Burke of Plymouth and Deborah A. (Virgil) Payton of Mobile, Ala.; one son: Leon Burke of Philadelphia, Pa.; and a sister, Pat (Edward) Polinski of North Carolina.

Visitation is Wednesday, Jan. 30 from 10 to 11 a.m. at St. Michael Catholic Church, Plymouth. Funeral services are Wednesday, Jan. 30 at 11 a.m. at the church.

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

Steve Hall  Date of Death 1/22/2008

ETNA GREEN — Steve Hall, 57, of Etna Green, died Tuesday, Jan. 22 at 4:56 p.m. at Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw.

He is survived by his wife, Virginia Hall of Etna Green; daughter, Tracie Renee Hall of Etna Green; parents, John and Patricia Mullins of Etna Green; sisters: Deborah (Mike) Flenar of
Warsaw, Cynthia Brown of Etna Green, Joyce (Harold) Wright of Argos and Angela (Spencer) Standley of Bourbon; and brothers: Terry (Linda) Hall of Leesburg and Jerry (Nancy) Mullins of Menominee, Mich.

Visitation is Friday, Jan. 25 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. at Redpath-Fruth Funeral Home, 225 Argonne Rd., Warsaw. Funeral services are Saturday, Jan. 26 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at the Etna Green Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, 601 W. Edison Rd., Mishawaka, IN 46545-8822.

**Stella K. Riffel  Date of Death 1/22/2008**

ARGOS - Stella Kathleen Riffel, 54, an Argos resident for the past 14 years, died at 7:12 a.m. from injuries sustained in an automobile accident on U.S. 31 at 19th Road on Tuesday morning, Jan. 22, 2008.

Born in Wainwright, Alberta, Canada, on Nov. 19, 1953, Stella was the daughter of Fred and Doris Ford Younker.

She graduated from high school in Canada and then attended the Prairie Bible Institute in Alberta, Canada.

On July 10, 1976, in Alberta, she became the bride of Terry Riffel.

Stella worked in the Wal-Mart Pharmacy in Plymouth.

Her interests were centered around the Bible and her family.

She was a member of the Grace Baptist Church.

In addition to Terry, her husband of 31 years, Stella is survived by five sons and daughters-in-law and five grandchildren.

They are: Leigh and Angela Riffel and their children, Luke and Emily, all of Pensacola, Fla.: David and Sarai Riffel, Conyers, Ga.: Stephen and Charity Riffel and their children, Michael and KatieLynn Riffel, all of Pensacola, Fla.: Matthew and Stephanie Riffel and their son, Aiden Riffel, all of Plymouth, and Michael and April Riffel, also of Plymouth.

Doris Younker, Stella’s mother, living in Alberta, Canada, also survives, together with three sisters and four brothers. They are: Lillian and Allain Dumas, Quebec: Dorothy and Ron Brassington: Janet and Don McKimmon: George and Lloy Younker, Harvey and Val Younker, Francis Younker, and Gordon and Linda Younker, all of Alberta, Canada.

Many nieces and nephews also survive.

Stella was preceded in death by her father, Fred Younker, and her sister-in-law, Fran Younker.

Friends are invited to share memories and celebrate the life of Stella Riffel at the Grace Baptist Church, 1830 N. Michigan St., Plymouth on Friday, Jan. 25, 2008, from 1 to 3 p.m. and on Saturday, Jan. 26, 2008, for one hour prior to the funeral services at the church at 2 p.m. Rev. Matt Elliott, pastor of the church, will officiate.

Interment will be in the Jordon Cemetery, Argos.

The Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, is assisting the family with arrangements.
Memorial gifts in Stella’s name may be made to the Grace Baptist Church.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family via the funeral home’s Internet: www.Johnson-danielson.com

Lydia Mae Hochstetler  Date of Death 1/23/2008

NAPPANEE — Lydia Mae Hochstetler, 91, of Nappanee, died Wednesday, Jan. 23 at LuAnn Nursing Home, Nappanee.

She is survived by daughters: Sharon Sue Borkholder of Hamilton, Mont., Kathryn (Raymond) Schmucker of McClure, Pa., Inez Marie (Olen Jr.) Christner of Shipshewana, Barbara Ann (Harvey) Kemp of Goshen, Rosetta (Floyd) Helmuth of Nappanee and Mary Lynn (Ronald) Miller of Bremen; son, Homer (Connie) Hochstetler of Crete, Ill.; brothers: William (Mary) Chupp of Bremen and Edward (Alta) Chupp of Nappanee; sister, Edna Schwartz of Nappanee; 45 grandchildren; and 64 great-grandchildren.

Visitation was after 3 a.m. Thursday and all day Friday, Jan. 25 at the Ronald Miller residence, 1184 E. 3rd Rd., Bremen.

Funeral services are Saturday, Jan. 26 at 9:30 a.m. at the Miller residence.

Burial will be at Weldy Cemetery.

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

Gilbert R. Beem  Date of Death 1/25/2008

KNOX — Gilbert R. Beem, 70, formerly of Hamlet, died, Friday, Jan. 25 in Starke Memorial Hospital, Knox.

Survivors include: a daughter, Laura Beem of Knox; sons: Jerry and Gilbert Jr., both of Hamlet; stepdaughter, Dena Combs of LaPorte; 11 grandchildren; one great-grandchild; sister, Shirley Wireman of Knox; brother, Arnold Beem of Waco, Texas; and special friend, Patty Beem of Knox. Funeral services will be Tuesday at 1 p.m. CST at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel. Visitation was Monday from 3 to 8 p.m. and Tuesday after 10 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be in the Grovertown Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the family.

Edward Miller  Date of Death 1/25/2008

ROCHESTER — Edward Miller, 92, of Monterey, died Jan. 25, 2008 at the Life Care Center in Rochester.

He is survived by three sons: Marvin Miller of Knox, Lloyd Miller of Kingsford Heights and Jerry Miller of Monterey; four brothers: Henry Miller, Robert Miller, Richard Miller and Fred Miller all of Warsaw; seven grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

Visitation services took place at Braman & Son Memorial Chapel, Knox, on Sunday, Jan. 27 from 4 to 8 p.m.

Funeral services were Monday, Jan. 28 at 1 p.m. with burial following at Bass Lake Cemetery, Knox.

Diane Wright  Date of Death 1/25/2008
NORTH JUDSON — Diane Wright, 46, of North Judson, died Friday, Jan. 25, 2008 in Valparaiso.

She is survived by a husband: “Jack” John Alan Wright; three daughters: Marjorie Lynn Robinson, Jessica Anna Marie Gibson and Tiffany Ella Wright of North Judson; father: Willard Minix of Knox; three sisters, two brothers and four grandchildren.

Visitation is Tuesday, Jan. 29 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the O'Donnell Funeral Home Inc., North Judson. Funeral services will take place at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 30 and burial will follow at Highland Cemetery, North Judson.

Ronald Wayne Flynn  Date of Death 1/27/2008

LAPAZ — Ronald Wayne Flynn, 54, of LaPaz, died at 11:55 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 27 in Methodist Hospital, Indianapolis. He is survived by daughters: Melissa, Trisha and Kala Flynn and eight grandchildren, all of Mishawaka; sister, Carol Weston of LaPaz; brothers: Billy (Willie) Flynn, Lonzo (Melinda) Flynn, Mike (Denise) Flynn, all of Lancaster, S.C. and Scott (Karla) Flynn of Bremen; and sister-in-law, Marcia Flynn of Lancaster, S.C.

Private services will be held Tuesday, Jan. 29 in the Palmer Funeral Home, Lakeville. Cremation will follow.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Ronald Flynn Memorial Fund, c/o Palmer Funeral Home, P.O. Box 33, Lakeville, IN 46536.

Kevin Borkholder  Date of Death 1/29/2008

ETNA GREEN — Kevin Borkholder, 38, of Etna Green, died at 11:15 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 29 at Hospice House, South Bend.

He is survived by his son, Loren Borkholder of Argos; friend, Kendra Whitaker of Argos; mother and stepfather, Martha and Jerry VanDenBerg of Niles, Mich.; father, Perry Borkholder of Etna Green; brothers: Randy Borkholder of Etna Green and Larry Borkholder of Pierceton; sister, Retha Peterson of Nappanee; stepbrother, Jeff VanDenBerg of Niles, Mich.; and stepsister, Rachael VanDenBerg of Niles, Mich.

Visitation is Thursday, Jan. 31 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 at the church Friday. Funeral services are Friday, Feb. 1 at 10:30 a.m. at First Brethren Church. Burial will be at the Bethel Conservation Mennonite Church Cemetery, Nappanee.

Memorials may be made to the Kevin Borkholder Memorial Fund for his son.

Ross McNay Howell  Date of Death 1/29/2008


He is survived by his wife, Dixie Kertai Howell of Bremen; daughters: Tamara of Rockville and Jennifer of Hammond; sons: Donald of Nashville, Tenn. And James of Hammond; stepsons: Emery (Shannon) Kertai of Nappanee, Wade (Tracy) Kertai of Bremen, Bradley (Danielle) Kertai of LaPaz and Shawm (Tracie) Kertai of Bremen; 13 grandchildren; brother, Donnie Howell of Bend, Ore.; sisters: Betsy (Al) Ojeda of Mesa, Ariz. And Mary Ellen (Tom) Elmore of Hammond; and half sisters and stepsiblings: Carolyn (Don) MacCortny of Highland, Nancy (Butch) Paloloele of Chandler, Ariz., Star (Loren) Mennsing and Rose Ann Howell of Hammond.

Services will be held Saturday, Feb. 2 at 2 p.m. at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Bremen.
Visitation is from 3 to 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 1 at the Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen, and two hours before the service at the church on Saturday. Burial will be at Bremen Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or the Howell/Kertai Fund (1st Source Bank, Nappanee).

Kayleigh Ann Parker  Date of Death 1/29/2008

ROCHESTER — Kayleigh Ann Parker, 14, of Rochester, died Tuesday, Jan. 29 at home.

She is survived by her parents, Thomas and Patricia Parker; brother, Scottie Whittenberger of Atwood; sister, Angela Parker of Burbank, Calif.; grandparents: Nancy (Bob) Dell of Rochester and Sharon Viedma-Aguilar of Los Angeles, Calif.; and great-grandmother, Reba Honkomp of Nyona Lake.

Visitation is Saturday, Feb. 2 from 9 to 11 a.m. in the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Funeral services are Saturday, Feb. 2 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home. Private family burial will be held at a later date.

Memorials may be made to the family.

Homer R. Personette  Date of Death 1/29/2008

KNOX — Homer R. Personette, 69, of Knox, died at 11:10 a.m. on Jan. 29, 2008 at Miller's Merry Manor, Plymouth, surrounded by family and friends.

Homer was born Sept 28, 1938, one of eight children born to Homer A. and Dorothy (Croy) Personette. He had an eighth grade education.

Homer is survived by his sons: Richard Personette of Wanatah, Scott Personette of Sebring, Fla. And Sonny (Carey) Personette of Argos; daughters: Janice (Paul) Broeker of Culver, Susan Personette of Mesa, Ariz. And Peggy (Frank) Ahlenius of Monterey; 13 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; sisters: Mariola Morrison, Barbara (Harold) Peters, Belle Neidlinger, Jeanne (Gary) Hillabrand, Kay (Tom) Langdon and Bonnie (Harold) Smith; and brother-in-law Harold Henderson.

He was preceded in death by his parents, sister - Virginia Henderson, and grandson - Charles Personette.

Visitation with the family will be held at the Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, on Thursday, Jan. 31, 2008 from 4 to 8 p.m. EST. Rev. Jim Irwin will officiate funeral services on Friday, Feb. 1, 2008 at 11 a.m. EST at the funeral home. Interment will follow at the New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorials may be given to the Hospice of Marshall County.

Condolences may be sent to the family via the obituary page at www.boineodom.com

Delores J. Jensen  Date of Death 1/30/2008

PLYMOUTH — Delores J. Jensen, 75, of Plymouth, formerly of Grovertown, died Wednesday, Jan. 30, 2008 in Miller’s Merry Manor, Walkerton.

She is survived by a son, Neil (Ruth) Jensen of Grovertown.

Funeral services will be Saturday, Feb. 2 at 11 a.m. CST at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel. Friends may call Friday, Feb. 1 from 4 to 8 p.m. CST and Saturday after 10 a.m. until the time of services at the funeral home.
Burial will take place in the Grovertown Cemetery at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be given to Marshall County Hospice, 112 S. Center St., Plymouth, IN 46563

**Nelson Ray Voorhees  Date of Death 1/30/2008**

ROCHESTER — Nelson Ray Voorhees, 47, of Rochester, died at 10:57 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 30 at home.

He is survived by his wife, Donna Voorhees; daughters: Julie Yanke of Riceville, Wis., Kristy Sears of Rochester and Amanda Sears of Larwill; sons: Justin Ray Voorhees and Derrick Wayne Voorhees, both of Rochester; three grandchildren; sisters: Vicki (Jack) Rudd of Galveston, Krista Rae Pearson of Colorado Springs, Colo. and Ramona Rae (Michael) Anderson of Lehi, Utah; brother, Randy Lee (Krista) Voorhees of Evansville; mother, Maria “Marie” Fries of Colorado Springs, Colo.; stepmother, Nita Voorhees of Indianapolis; and stepsister, Becky.

Visitation is Friday, Feb. 1 from 4 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to the service Saturday at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. A Masonic service will be at 7:30 p.m. Friday in the funeral home.

Funeral services are Saturday, Feb. 2 at 3 p.m. at the funeral home.

**Joyce Anglene Green  Date of Death 1/31/2008**

PLYMOUTH — Joyce Anglene Green, 74, died Wednesday, Jan. 30, 2008, at 6 p.m. in Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth.

Joyce was born May 16, 1933 to William and Ollie Stewart Ballard, in Alcorn County, Mississippi.

In her earlier years she worked as a cotton picker for the family farm, and then became a homemaker.

She is survived by four children, two daughters Rachel & Dave Thompson, Plymouth, Deborah & Jack Hagestad, WI, two sons Bob & Brenda Huggins, Lake Station, and Michael Huggins, Knox; eight grandchildren: Robin & Mike Klaker, Casey, Ill., Nick Gineris, Florida, Jason Antich, Argos, Tim Gineris, Mishawaka, Rhonda Antich, Argos, Keith & Siobhan Huggins, California, and Matt Gineris, Chicago, Ill.; eight great-grandchildren; a sister, Audrey Rhinehart, Hinkle, Miss.; and a brother, Stanley & Sue Ballard, Corinth, Miss, survive as well.

Joyce was preceded in death by her parents; two children: Darrell and Teresa; two grandchildren: Johnny Gineris and Lisa Huggins; three brothers: Fornie, Denzel, and Bester; a sister, Thelma Hardin; and a brother-in-law, Robert.

There will be no services.

Burial will take place in Corinth, Miss.

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

Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home is handling the arrangements.

**Carl F., Sr. Miller  Date of Death 1/31/2008**
BOURBON — Carl F. Miller Sr., 78, of Bourbon, died at 7:45 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 31 in his home.

He is survived by his wife, Jean; six children: Carl Miller, Jr. and Tony & Becky Miller of Plymouth, Ricky Lee & Connie Miller of Ft. Wayne, Jimmy Miller of Bourbon, Connie & Randy Branstrator of Ft. Wayne and Kerry Miller of Bourbon; 11 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and sisters: Elizabeth Mae & Russell Myers of Milford, Maxine & Arden Williamson of Pierceton and Laura Belle Fields of Missouri.

A memorial service will be held Sunday, Feb. 10 at 3 p.m. in the Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, Bourbon. Visitation is from 1 p.m. until the time of services on Sunday in the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice.

Phyllis Jean Slane  Date of Death 1/31/2008

PLYMOUTH - Phyllis Jean Slane of Kenwood Avenue passed away peacefully at 2 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 31, 2008 at Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth, of natural causes.

Phyllis was born in Plymouth on May 8, 1931 to Lawrence and Ethyl (Zimmerman) Gunn.

On July 16, 1960, in Plymouth she married Chuck Slane, who survives.

Also surviving are a half sister, Betty Townsend of Brentwood, Tenn.; and a half brother, Guy Jacobson of Montoursville, Pa.

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

Phyllis was a member of the American Legion, Disabled American Veteran’s, and Veteran’s of Foreign Wars ladies auxiliaries. She was Past Commander in the DAV, and Past President in the VFW, as well as Past 3rd District President in the VFW.

There will be no services or visitation and cremation will take place.

Memorials may be made to Miller’s Merry Manor, Catherine Kasper Home, Marshall County Hospice and Palliative Care, or any charity of the donor’s choice.

Online condolences may be sent to the family through the funeral home’s Web site at www.johnson-danielson.com.

Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Mildred Irene Barts  Date of Death 2/1/2008

ROCHESTER — Mildred Irene Barts, 96, of Rochester, died at 1:07 a.m. on Friday, Feb. 1 at her home.

She is survived by a daughter: Sarah A. Betten of Rochester; a son: Ralph Richard “Dick” Barts of Huntington; four grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; two half-sisters and several nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be Wednesday, Feb. 6 from 9:30 to 11 a.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Funeral services will follow at 11 a.m. with burial to take place afterward at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made at goodfamily@rtcol.com. This e-mail address
Adelaide F. Cleveland  Date of Death 2/1/2008

KOONTZ LAKE — Adelaide F. Cleveland, 89, died Friday, Feb. 1, 2008 in Catherine Kasper Home, Donaldson.

Survivors include three sons: James Cleveland of Walkerton, Gary Cleveland of Plymouth and Paul Cleveland of Grovertown; one brother, Harold Stuver of Florida; seven grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Tuesday at 1 p.m. EST at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel. Burial will be in the Grovertown Cemetery. Visitation is Tuesday from 11 a.m. EST until the time of services at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Catherine Kasper Home, P.O. Box 1, Donaldson, IN 46513.

Inez Feldman  Date of Death 2/2/2008

WARSAW — Inez Feldman, 84, of Warsaw, died at 8:45 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 2 at Miller’s Merry Manor Nursing Home of Warsaw.

Her survivors include her brother, Harold and Bonnie Feldman of Etna Green along with numerous nieces and nephews and great-nieces and nephews.

Services to celebrate Inez’s life will be Wednesday, Feb. 6 at 10 a.m. in Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home with Pastor Joe Lampton officiating.

The family will receive friends from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday in the Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home at 115 S. Main St., Bourbon, IN 46504.

Burial will follow in the Summit Chapel Cemetery at Bourbon.

The family asks that memorial contributions be made in her memory to Kosciusko County Hospice.

Roland E. Hansen  Date of Death 2/2/2008

BREMEN — Roland E. Hansen, 81, of Bremen, died at 12:40 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 2 at Community Hospital of Bremen.

He was born June 21, 1926 in Bremen to Frank and Mabel (Schneider) Hansen. On Nov. 1, 1947 he married Evadean V. Clindaniel, who survives.

He was a member of the Grace United Methodist Church of Bremen, a WWII veteran of the United States Army serving in the 314th Infantry, 1st Division, a charter member of the Bremen VFW Post 8972 and member of the Bremen American Legion.

He retired from Miller Bearing in Bremen after many years and also worked in radio and television repair.

He is survived by his wife Evadean; two sons: Michael (Joyce) Hansen and Terry (Pamela) Hansen, all of Bremen; a daughter: Debra (Mark) Thompson of Argos; a step-sister: Ruth Keck of Bremen; 13 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a son: Curtis and two brothers: Richard and Robert.
Carl M. Paseka  Date of Death 2/2/2008

ETNA GREEN — Carl M. Paseka, 58, of Etna Green, died Saturday, Feb. 2, 2008 at 10:47 p.m. at Kosciusko Community Hospital.

He was born to Mark and Mildred on Nov. 20, 1949 in Warsaw and was raised by his father and grandmother, Irene McCausey Paseka.

He graduated in 1968 from Warsaw Community High School. On June 28, 1970, he married Gloria Tucker at Harrison Center Church, Etna Green.

He was a maintenance superintendent for more than 20 years at Lear Corporation and also at WireKraft, both of Bourbon. Carl was an avid hunter and fisherman who loved the outdoors and enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren and family.

He is survived by his wife, Gloria Paseka of Etna Green; two daughters: Stephanie (Samuel) Dixon of Mentone and Heather Paseka of Etna Green; a son, Andrew (Meagan) Paseka of Warsaw; five grandchildren: Kylee and Cory Walton, Michael Paseka, Jacob Dixon and Ethan Paseka; two sisters: Leona Izumi of Stockton, Calif. And Kathy Ulshafer of South Whitley and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; grandparents and two brothers: Phillip and Peter Paseka.

Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 5 at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St. Mentone.

Funeral services will take place at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 6 at Harrison Center Church, Etna Green, officiated by Pastors Larry Goss and Bill Stevens.

Burial will follow at Harrison Center Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Warsaw Dialysis Center.

Marjorie Elizabeth (McDonald) Garland  Date of Death 2/3/2008

ARGOS — Marjorie Elizabeth (McDonald) Garland, 84, of Argos, died at 10:58 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 3, 2008 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth following a brief illness. On March 21, 1923 in Ober, she was born to Dewey and Mary (Ransbottom) McDonald. On Aug. 24, 1940 in Plymouth, she married Kenneth A. Garland. She moved to Argos in 1990 coming from Tippecanoe, where they had lived for nearly 40 years.

A homemaker, she had been a member of Whippoorwill Ladies Club, Foster Rebekah Lodge of Tippecanoe. She attended Walnut Church of the Brethren, Argos.

She is survived by her husband, Kenneth A. Garland of Argos; two daughters: Carolyn (Joseph)
Clingenpeel of Warsaw and Nancy (Gary) Kinsey of Tippecanoe; six grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; seven great-great grandchildren; and a brother, Larry McDonald of Kerrville, Texas.

She was preceded in death by her parents; son, Russell Garland; grandson, Craig Garland; three sisters; and one brother.

Friends may visit with the family Tuesday, Feb. 5 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos. Services will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 6 at the funeral home with Rev. Robert Rice of the Walnut Church of the Brethren, Argos, officiating.

Burial will be at Burr Oak Cemetery.

Memorial contributions can be made to the American Heart Association, Attn: Danielle Henry, 7272 Greenville Ave., Dallas, TX 75231 or Argos EMS, 201 West Walnut St., Argos, IN 46501.

Electronic condolences may be sent to the family at: memorials@earl-grossmanfuneral.com

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

Christopher A. Brown  Date of Death 2/4/2008

HAMLET — Christopher A. Brown, 30, died Monday, Feb. 4, 2008 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, South Bend.

He is survived by his wife, Jacqueline; son, Nathan at home; mother, Meriliza Brown of Walkerton; and two half-brothers: Robert Fraine of Grotvertown and Keith Fraine of Bremen.

A memorial service will be held Monday, Feb. 11 at 6 p.m. CST at the Koontz Lake Missionary Church. Visitation is one hour prior to the service at the church. Cremation has taken place.

Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel, is handling arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be given to the funeral home at 7984 N S.R. 23, Walkerton, IN 46574.

Scott A. Geiselman  Date of Death 2/4/2008

CULVER — Scott A Geiselman, 62, of Culver, passed away at 6:10 p.m. on Feb. 4, 2008 at Miller’s Merry Manor, Culver.

Scott was born on Feb. 9, 1945 in South Bend, one of two sons born to Ralph and Frances (Taber) Geiselman of Culver.

While in eighth grade, he was asked by William Osborn to run a movie in the basement of the State Exchange Bank for a group of farmers. Scott graduated from Culver High School in 1963, where he was a member of the video club. He attended Radio Electronic & Television School in South Bend after graduation. He was married on Aug. 6, 1967 in Argos to Patty Hammond. She survives.

Scott was a member of Local 187 IATSE of South Bend and was an avid lover of the theater. The highlight of his career was being the projectionist for the premiere screening of the movie, Rudy. He was forced to retire in 1995 due to ill health. He was a cat lover — especially his cat, Cotton. He was also a member of Wesley United Methodist Church.

In addition to his parents and wife, Scott is survived by his brother, Ralph Edward (Cindy)
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Geiselman of West Lake Village, Calif.; and niece and nephew, Garianna and Grant Geiselman.

A time of remembrance with Scott’s family will be at the Bonine-Odom Funeral Home on Thursday, Feb. 7, 2008 from 4 to 8 p.m. EST. Rev. Bryan Siefert and Rev. Lloyd Howard will officiate funeral services Friday, Feb. 8, 2008 at 2 p.m. EST at the Wesley United Methodist Church, 511 School St., Culver. Interment will follow at Culver Masonic Cemetery.

Memorials may be given to Marshall Co. Humane Society or Wesley United Methodist Church.

Condolences may be sent to the family via the obituary page at www.bonineodom.com

Gertrude Hampton  Date of Death 2/4/2008

PLYMOUTH — Gertrude Hampton, 90, of Plymouth, died Monday, Feb. 4 in Avon Park, Fla.

Visitation is Monday, Feb. 11 from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, and one hour prior to the services Tuesday at the church. Funeral services are Tuesday, Feb. 12 at 11 a.m. at Trinity United Methodist Church, Plymouth.

Burial will be at New Oakhill Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Trinity United Methodist Church, Plymouth.

Richard William Mangus  Date of Death 2/4/2008

LAKEVILLE — Richard William Mangus, 77, a lifelong resident of Lakeville, passed away at 3:39 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 4, 2008 at Memorial Hospital, South Bend. Mr. Mangus was born on July 23, 1930 in Lakeville to the late Walter F. and Elizabeth “Betty” (Deck) Mangus. On June 24, 1951 in Lakeville, he married the former Mary E. Annis who survives.

Along with his wife, Mary, of 56 years, survivors include; one daughter, Marcia S. (Rick) Forrester of LaFontaine; four sons: Russell G. (the late Catherine) Mangus of Valparaiso, Richard D. (fiancee, Clarice Holloway) Mangus of Walkerton, Ronald L. (Heidi) Mangus of Noblesville, and Ryan D. Mangus of Indianapolis; seven grandchildren; 10 greatgrandchildren; three sisters: Eileen (Kenneth) Isenberg of Lakeville, Mary Ann (Rich) BonDurant of Bremen, and Barbara Sauers of Langhorne, Pa.; and one brother, Walter L. (Sue) Mangus of Pecatonica, Ill.

Mr. Mangus was a dairy farmer for 60 years working with the family business, Mangus Dairy Farms. This consisted of milking the cows, bottling the milk, and delivering the product to the customer. Mr. Mangus was a member of the County Line Brethren Church where he served as past moderator of the church and was currently vice moderator. He was also the former building chairman for the church. He has been a 50-year member of the Lakeville Masonic Lodge #353, F & AM, 50 year member of the Order of the Eastern Star # 479, Lakeville and a 50 year member of the Lakeville Lions Club. Mr. Mangus was a member of the Farm Bureau, Indiana Farmers Union, 4-H member for 10 years and a 4-H leader for 45 years.

Mr. Mangus was a State Representative of Indiana for 32 years serving honorably from 1972 – 2004. He was a member of the State Republican Committee for five years and Vice Chairman of the District Republican Committee. Mr. Mangus also held many General Assembly Chairmanships including; House Election Committee for six years, House Environmental Committee for six years and Chairman of Natural Resources for four years. He was a three-time recipient of the Sagamore of the Wabash honor, served his country with the Indiana National Guard and was a friend of Potato Creek State Park. Mr. Mangus was also appointed by the Governor as a member of the Department of Natural Resources Commission.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, Feb. 8, 2008 at the County Line Brethren Church, 69988 U.S. 31 South, Lakeville. Graveside services and burial will follow at Fair
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Cemetery, North Liberty. Friends may visit with the family from 2 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 7 at the Newton Center, 801 N. Michigan St., Lakeville, and one hour prior to services in the church on Friday. Palmer Funeral Home, Lakeville, is assisting the Mangus family with funeral arrangements.

Contributions in memory of Richard William Mangus may be donated to the County Line Brethren Church, 69988 U.S. 31 South, Lakeville, IN 46536 or to the Brethren Retreat Center, 9095 W. 275 North, Shipshewana, IN 46585.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.palmerfuneralhomes.com

Elizabeth A. Smith  Date of Death 2/4/2008

SOUTH BEND — Elizabeth A. Smith, 68, of South Bend, passed away at 8:55 a.m. Monday, Feb. 4, 2008 in Hospice House. She was born on Nov. 8, 1939 in Florence, Ala. To George William and Ruth M. (Sharp) Smith.

Elizabeth is survived by four daughters: Candi Fraschetti of South Bend, Elizabeth Flory of Walkerton, Barbara and Diane Fraschetti, both of South Bend; son, Charles Fraschetti of South Bend; seven grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; four sisters: Kathy (Roy) Taylor of Lakeville, Mary Lee Smith of LaPaz, Janice (Jerry) Berger of Plymouth and Faith Lynn (John) Collier of Rancho Cucamonga, Calif.; three brothers: Hershel (Kathy) Smith of Granger, George (Linda) Smith of Plymouth and James (Pam) Smith of LaPaz.

There will be no services or visitation. Palmer Funeral Home-Guisinger Chapel, 3718 S. Michigan St., South Bend is handling the arrangements.

Online condolences may be made at www.palmerfuneralhomes.com.

Delann "Dean" Noble Berger  Date of Death 2/5/2008


He is survived by five siblings and their families: Larry and Doris Berger of Dewey, Ariz.; Jana and Jack Oliver of Plymouth, Sam and Debbie Berger of Lakeville, Marlene and Steve Allen of Sommerville, S.C. and Julie and Donald Thornton of Beaver Creek, Ohio.

Cremation has taken place with services in San Jose, Costa Rica. A local memorial service will be held at the United Pentecostal Church – House of Prayer, 12450 Plymouth-Goshen Trail in Plymouth on Saturday, March 29 at 11 a.m. followed by a time of sharing.

Memorial gifts may be given to the Center for Hospice & Palliative Care, 112 S. Center St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

PARRITA, COSTA RICA – Delann “Dean” Noble Berger, 53, a resident of Costa Rica the past two years, passed away from injuries sustained in a motor vehicle accident several weeks prior.

Dean was born the son of Noble and Ruth (McCullough) Berger at the Plymouth Parkview Hospital on Feb. 25, 1954. He was raised in the LaPaz area and graduated from LaVille High School with the Class of 1972.

Know to be a very personable and outgoing individual, Dean was always seeking warmer climates and settled in Parrita, on the west coast of Costa Rica in 2006.

Dean was a former resident of Ft. Myers, Fla., where he enjoyed flying his own plane and cherished his two-term presidency of the Experimental Aircraft Association, Chapter 66.

He leaves behind five siblings and their families; Larry and Doris Berger of Dewey, Ariz.; Jana
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and Jack Oliver of Plymouth, Sam and Debbie Berger of Lakeville, Marlene and Steve Allen of Sommerville, S.C. and Julie and Donald Thornton of Beaver Creek, Ohio.

According to Dean’s wishes, cremation will take place with services in San Jose, Costa Rica. A local memorial service will be held at the United Pentecostal Church – House of Prayer in Plymouth. These arrangements will be announced at a future date.

Memorial gifts in Dean’s memory may be made to the Center for Hospice & Palliative Care, 112 S. Center St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

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

The Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home is assisting with local services.

Beatrice J. "Betty" Burke  Date of Death 2/5/2008

PLYMOUTH — Beatrice J. "Betty" Burke, 94, formerly of Plymouth, died at 9:20 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 5, 2008 at Miller’s Merry Manor in Columbia City.

She is survived by her nieces and nephews; Katherine Howe, Aileen and John Boggess, Kathleen and Jerry Bielicki, Susan and Reggie Patrus, Bryan and Enice Burke, Dennis and Sandy Burke, Michelle and Chuck Rathfelder, and Jim Helsel (nephew-in-law).

A Christian Mass of Memory will be held at Saint Michael Catholic Church on Saturday, Feb. 9, 2008 at 10 a.m. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth, at a later date.

Memorials may be given to Miller’s Merry Manor, “Activities Fund”, 640 West Ellsworth, Columbia City, IN 46725.

The Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison Street, Plymouth, is in charge of the arrangements.

Isaiah Franklin Merwine  Date of Death 2/5/2008

MANSFIELD, Ohio — Isaiah Franklin Merwine, 18, of Mansfield, Ohio, died Sunday, Feb. 3, 2008 as a result of injuries received in an automobile accident. He went to be with his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Born Oct.1, 1989 in Ashland, Ohio, he was the son of Larry D. Merwine and Johna (Ramey) Rosier.

Isaiah served in the Army National Guard. He was a member of First Assembly of God Church, where he enjoyed participating in church activities and was involved with the youth group. He enjoyed music, playing the drums, dirt biking, and hanging out with friends. Isaiah loved his brothers and enjoyed being with them. Sharing his life with his father and Grandpa Ramey were very important to him.

He is survived by his father, Larry D. Merwine of Mansfield, Ohio; mother and stepfather, Johna and Jeremy Rosier of Plymouth; two brothers: Andrew J. and Joshua R. Merwine; two stepsisters: Raven and Dori Rosier, both of Mansfield, Ohio; maternal grandparents, John Franklin and Janice P. Ramey, Jr. of Mansfield, Ohio; paternal grandmother, Shirley M. Paden of Shelby, Ohio; maternal great-grandmother, Opal Ramey of Mansfield, Ohio; aunts: Peggy (Timothy) Klinetop of Bellville, Ohio, Trisene Cline of Shelby, Ohio and Carol Merwine of Galion, Ohio; uncle, Larry Edward (Janet) Ramey of Mansfield, Ohio; and several cousins.

He was preceded in death by his grandfather, Clarence J. Merwine; great-grandfather, John F. Ramey, Sr.; great-grandmother, Hattie Rose; and great-grandfather, Tilden Rose.

Friends may call from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 7, 2008 at the Ontario Home of
Jerry Wayne Reed  Date of Death 2/5/2008

PLYMOUTH — Jerry Wayne Reed, 67, formerly of Plymouth, died of natural causes at his residence in Washington, Ind., where he has lived for the past six years.

Born on Aug. 13, 1940, in Washington, Ind., Jerry was the son of James and Autumn Dove Reed.

An Operations Officer of the United States Navy and a veteran of Vietnam, he had retired after 30 years of service to his country.

He enjoyed flower gardening, wood working and oil painting.

He was a member of the American Legion and the V.F.W. in Washington, Ind.

Two sons, William (Cynthia) Rackley, South Bend, and Jerry J. Reed, of Washington, Ind., and a daughter, Debra (Mark) Housand, of Osceola, survive his death.

Seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren survive his death.

Jerry is also survived by three sisters: Patricia Reed, Elkhart; Donna Brown and Tanya (Phil) Harmacinski, both of South Bend, and a brother, Jack (Cecilia) Reed of Lynnville, Tenn.

He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers: James Reed and James Alfred Reed.

Friends are invited to visit with Jerry's family and share memories of his life on Saturday, Feb. 9, 2008, from 10 a.m. to noon, at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Jerry will be held after the visitation at noon on Saturday in the funeral home. The Rev. Dr. E. Dean Fager, pastor of the First United Methodist Church, Plymouth, will officiate.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in his memory may be given to the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

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

Betty Jean Rouch  Date of Death 2/5/2008

NAPPANEE — Betty Jean Rouch, 74, of Nappanee, died at 3 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 5 at home.

She is survived by her husband, Lavere Rouch; daughter, Gloria (Ed) Moser of Nappanee; sons: John (Wanda) Rouch of Watkinsville, Ga. And David (Gretchen) Rouch of Ada, Ohio; nine grandchildren; one great-grandchild; sister, Janet (Dave) Buck of Nappanee; and brothers: Roger (Rachel) Pittman of Nappanee and Larry (Nancy) Pittman of Osseo, Wis.

Visitation is Thursday, Feb. 7 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. at the Nappanee Missionary Church.
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Chapel and one hour prior to the service Friday. Funeral services are Friday, Feb. 8 at 10 a.m. at the church.

Burial will be at South Union Cemetery, Nappanee.

Memorials may be made to the Nappanee Missionary Church or the Center for Hospice & Palliative Care.

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

Jesse J. "Bill" Calvert  Date of Death 2/6/2008

ROCHESTER — Jesse J. “Bill” Calvert, 89, of Rochester, died at 4:45 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 6 at Hickory Creek of Rochester.

He is survived by a son, Marc (Julie) Calvert of Rochester; five grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; sisters: Mary Rock of Tippecanoe, Carol Saenz of Mishawaka, Helen (Richard) Enyart of Rochester and Barb (Bud) Tullis of Rochester; and daughter-in-law, Shirley Calvert of Rochester.

Visitation is Friday, Feb. 8 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, and one hour prior to the service Saturday. Funeral services are Saturday, Feb. 9 at 11 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.

Eldon Frank Cowen  Date of Death 2/6/2008

March 2, 1921 - Feb. 6, 2008

ARGOS — Eldon Frank Cowen, 86, of Argos, died at 3:40 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 6 at Miller's Merry Manor, Culver, following a brief illness. He was born March 2, 1921 in Green Township to Frank Orange and Hallie (Lowry) Cowen. On March 27, 1964 in Culver, he married Betty J. Young.

Living his whole life in Green Township, he was a farmer for 62 years. He was a graduate of Argos High School with the class of 1939, a member of the Maxinkuckee I.O.O.F. Lodge #373, and the Poplar Grove United Methodist Church both of Culver. He also belonged to the Indiana Farm Bureau.

He is survived by his wife of 43 years, Betty J. Cowen of Argos; daughter, Susan E. (fiancé Jeff Jenkins) Cowen of Indianapolis; three grandchildren: Corina J. (Collin) Bruce & Lennard A. Began, both of Chardon, Ohio; and Doug South of Ferny Hills, Australia; two great-grandchildren: Joshua and Andrew Bruce of Chardon, Ohio; four sisters: Lida (David) Norris, Marjorie (Harold) Andersen, Betty (Rex) Castleman, all of Argos, and Ruth Gordon of Plymouth; stepdaughter, Linda “Stevens” (Craig) Hjorth of Glen Ellyn, Ill.; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; three sisters: Edith Staley, Irene Hissong and Florence Baker; first wife, Melita (Johnson) Cowen; his second wife, Ardith (Stevens) Cowen; and two daughters: Charla (Cowen) Began and Linda (Cowen) Schuler.

Friends may visit with the family Friday, Feb. 8, 2008 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos, and a memorial service with the Maxinkuckee I.O.O.F. Lodge #373 will be at 7:30 p.m. Friends may also call one hour prior to the funeral services at the church with services being held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 9, 2008 at the Poplar Grove United Methodist Church, West S.R. 10, Culver, with Pastor Robert Metzger officiating.

Burial will be at the Maxinkuckee I.O.O.F. Cemetery, Culver.
Memorial contributions can be made to: Poplar Grove United Methodist Church or the donor’s choice.

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.

**Timothy Lee Blubaugh  Date of Death 2/7/2008**

WARSAW — Timothy Lee Blubaugh, 60, died Thursday, Feb. 7, 2008, at 8:50 p.m., at Mason Health Care and Rehabilitation, Warsaw.

He was born July 17, 1947, in Plymouth, to Robert and Lois (South) Blubaugh.

He married Judy (Britton) (Bowen), Feb. 14, 1981 in Bourbon.

He worked in Quality Control at Honeywell in South Bend, for 36 years, retiring on June 30, 2003

He moved to Warsaw in 1999 coming from Bourbon.

He was a Veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps, serving in the View Nam Conflict, honorably discharged on Oct. 28, 1971

He was a member of the American Legion Post #49, Veteran of Foreign Wars, and was a 1965 graduate of Plymouth High School

He is survived by his wife, Judy (Britton) Blubaugh, Warsaw; parents: Lois and Clayton Bowman, Plymouth; three daughters: Dawn and Ryan Beam, Cicero, Ind.; Denise and Jason Hawley, Noblesville; and Michelle (Bowen) and Tim Rogers, Winona Lake; one Son: Richard Bowen, Warsaw; seven grandchildren: Brittony and Morgan Rogers, Cody and Tanner Hunt, Makayla, Alexis and Blake Hawley; and five brothers: Terry and Marilee Blubaugh, Georgetown, Texas; Steve Blubaugh, Milwaukee, Wis.; Daniel and Rebecca Bollinger, West Lafayette; Jon Bollinger, Indianapolis; and three sisters: Beth (Bollinger) and Charles Braun, Indianapolis, Lisa Bollinger, Indianapolis, and Toni (Blubaugh) and Tim Zablocki, Iron Mountain, Mich.

He was preceded in death by his father: Robert Blubaugh and one son, Robert L. Blubaugh

Visitation is Monday, Feb. 11, , from 2 to 8 p.m. at TITUS FUNERAL HOME, Warsaw.

Services are Tuesday, Feb. 12, at 10 a.m. at Warsaw Wesleyan Church, Warsaw with the Rev. Wanda Carter officiating.

Burial will be at Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Bourbon and military honors will be conducted by American Legion Post #49.

Memorials may be made to Home Health Care and Hospice, Warsaw.

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**Alfredo Jr Soriano  Date of Death 2/8/2008**

ETNA GREEN — Alfredo Soriano Jr., 61, of Etna Green, died at 5:20 p.m. Friday, Feb. 8, 2008 in Lakeland Rehabilitation and Health Care of Milford.

He is survived by his wife, Anita; children: Kyle, Jonas, and Anilyn, all at home; sister, Clarita Rosete and her brother: Arsenio Soriano, both of Bourbon.
Funeral services will be Saturday, Feb. 16 at 10:30 a.m. in The Country Church. Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. on Friday at the church.

Burial will follow in the Pleasant Hill Cemetery at Bourbon.

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

**Charlotte E. Warner  Date of Death 2/8/2008**

WARSAW — Charlotte E. Warner, 86, of Warsaw, died Friday, Feb. 8, 2008 at 10:23 a.m. at Mason Health Care Center, Warsaw

Survivors include her husband Glenn B. Warner of Warsaw; four daughters: Karen Smith of Warsaw; Marsha Holland of New Palestine; Leah Johnson of Argos; and Denice Albertson of Warsaw; one son: Jan Burns Warner of North Manchester; 11 grandchildren 13 great-grandchildren.

Friends may visit with the family Monday, Feb.11, from noon to 1 p.m. at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Monday, Feb. 11, at the funeral home with Evelyn Taylor Haney officiating.

Burial will be at Burr Oak Cemetery at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association, Plymouth Office, 10872 Queen Rd. Plymouth, IN 46563. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home.

Electronic condolences my be sent to the family at: memorials@earl-grossmanfuneral.com.

**Gale Foley  Date of Death 2/9/2008**

ROCHESTER — Gale Foley, 80, of Rochester, died Saturday, Feb. 9 at 1:30 a.m. at Pilgrim Manor Nursing Home, Plymouth.

She is survived by a daughter: Nancy Hurley; a granddaughter: Meranda (Branden) Ritchie; two great-grandchildren: Cory and Braydon Ritchie; a sister: Clara Childress of Warsaw and two brothers: Gene (Mary)Foley ad Dale Foley.

Visitation will take place on Tuesday, Feb. 12 from 6 to 8 p.m. at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, and one hour prior to services Wednesday.

Funeral services will take place on Wednesday, Feb. 13 at 2 p.m. with burial to follow at Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Electronic sentiments may be sent to goodfamily@rtcol.com.

**Erma Jean Graham  Date of Death 2/9/2008**

GOSHEN — Erma Jean Graham, 82, of Goshen, died at 9:40 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 9 at Greencroft Healthcare, Goshen.

She is survived by a daughter, Sandra (Ed) Lyons of Titusville, Fla.; son, Michael Graham of Walkerton; one grandson; and a brother, Jim Overmyer of Mishawaka.

Private visitation and service will be at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Burial will be at the Richland Center Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County.
Lawrence Lee Hartter  Date of Death 2/9/2008


He is survived by sons: Larry (Ruth) Hartter of Rochester Hills, Mich., Leon Hartter of Midland, Texas and Alan (Susan) Hartter of Royal Oak, Mich.; seven grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Services will be held Saturday, Feb. 16 at 11 a.m. at the Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen. Visitation is from 3 to 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 15, and one hour before the service at the funeral home Saturday. Burial will take place at the Milford Cemetery.

Memorials contributions may be made to the Community Gospel Church in Bremen or to the Gideons.

Anne Mathew  Date of Death 2/9/2008

Longtime Highland resident Anne Mathew died on Saturday following a brief illness.

Anne was born in Gary, Indiana and was raised in Thayer, Indiana. She graduated from Mt. Ayr High School and Central Normal Teacher's College in 1946. Anne obtained her Masters Degree from Indiana University in 1967. Her teaching career spanned 40 years, in which she taught physical education, typing, and various business classes.

Anne’s early career was spent teaching in Lapel, Wheatfield, and Morocco Indiana. In 1959 she moved to Highland High School, Highland Indiana where she taught for 24 years, retiring in 1983. She loved working with her students and in her career founded the Highland “Lettergirls”, sponsored G.A.A., Cheerleaders, and the Business Club.

She married her husband Delos “Doc” Mathew on Aug. 2, 1953. They remained together 43 years until his passing on Sept. 2, 1996.

Anne is survived by a loving family: Her daughter, Christine A. and her husband Robert Pickell of Plymouth and their two sons, Ryan M. and Jason R. Pickell. Her son, Michael D. Mathew of Fishers and his two daughters, Ashley E. and Amber S. Mathew, and her great-granddaughter, Brooklyn Cheseman (Ashley).

She is also survived by her sister, Irene Luhr, long-time Highland resident now residing with her children in Minnesota; as well as Doris Yacuk (Nick), her sister-in-law previously of Thayer Indiana, now residing in Bremen Indiana; her brother and sister-in-law Delbert and Lollie Mathew previously of Mt Ayr Indiana, now residing in Florida; and her sister-in-law. Jeanette Potts (Delos) of St. Joseph Michigan and numerous loving nieces and nephews.

Anne was also preceded in death by her twin sister, Helen Brunton-Klemchuk, her brothers, Alex and Nick Yacuk, and her sister, Sophie Heim. As well as in her early life, siblings, Catherine, Olga, Peter, and Paul Yacuk.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 12, 2008, from 4 to 8 p.m. at Fagen-Miller Funeral Home, 2828 Highway Ave., Highland.

Funeral service will be on Wednesday, Feb. 13, 2008 at 11 CST, with visitation one half-hour prior to the service. The service will be held at St. Augustine Catholic Church, 318 N. McKinley Ave., Rensselaer. She will be buried along side her husband at Memory Gardens of Rensselaer.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer’s Foundation or the donor’s choice.

Www.fagenmiller.com
Mary Alice Watrous Date of Death 2/9/2008

ROCHESTER — Mary Alice Watrous, 89, of Rochester, died at 6:20 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 9 at Lifecare Center, Rochester.

She is survived by daughters: Carol (Ron) Shrader of Kewanna and Kay (Butch) Harris of Huntington; son, Emory (Betty) Watrous of Bellevue, Fla.; five grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Wednesday, Feb. 13 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, and one hour prior to the services Thursday. Funeral services are Thursday, Feb. 14 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Lifecare Center Activities Department.

Lawrence A. Sr. Harness Date of Death 2/10/2008


He is survived by his wife, Susan; daughter, Debra Lake of Ft. Wayne; sons: Lawrence Jr., Kenneth, Keith and Brian, all of Ft. Wayne; step-children: Ron Reese of Florida and Victor Ayres of Piqua, Ohio; seven grandchildren; sisters: Susan Fort of Knox, Judy Young of Leiters Ford and Peggy Harness of Knox; brothers: Jeff of Plymouth, LaVerne of Columbia City and Jerry of Florida.

Funeral services will be Friday at 2 p.m. CST at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel. Burial will be in the Fletcher Cemetery in Hamlet with military graveside services being conducted. Visitation is Thursday from 3 to 7 p.m. CST and Friday after 12 p.m. until the time of services at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be given to the American Cancer Society.

Betty Lou (Overmyer) Murdick-Augsburger Date of Death 2/11/2008

PLYMOUTH — Bettye Lou (Overmyer) Murdick-Augsburger, a well-known pioneer in children’s ministry, died at 10:05 pm. on Monday, Feb. 11, 2008, in the Swiss Village Retirement Home, Berne. She was 84-years-old.

Born on Feb. 2, 1924, in Kewanna to Charlie and Esther Overmyer, Bettye Lou attended Aubbeenaubee School and graduated from Kewanna High School with the class of 1943.


For 25 years, she was the Director of Child Evangelism Fellowship for Marshall, Starke and Fulton counties, then known as the Tri-County Evangelism Fellowship. Through this affiliation, she was a pioneer in children’s ministry with innovations such as home based after-school Bible clubs (the Good News Clubs) during the school year and “Five Day Clubs” during the summer months. She also was among the first to provide Para-church ministries at 4-H Fairs and festivals in the summer, directed summer Bible schools in many churches in the area and taught puppetry and its use in children’s ministry.

After Roy’s death, she traveled to Kenya, Africa, and produced a weekly puppet program for the BBC. Her marriage to Ivan brought many short term assignments abroad and she enjoyed
recounting her experiences to her children and grandchildren.

Bettye Lou is survived by her son, Michael (Adele) Murdick of Franklin, and a daughter, Faye (Sam) Davenport of Granger.

Ivan’s children, Maxine (Keith) Hague, Cedarville, Ohio, and Ivan (Carien) Augsburger of Amsterdam, Netherlands also survive, together with 13 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

A brother, James D. (Jean) Overmyer of New Castle, survives as well.

Friends are invited to celebrate Bettye Lou’s life with her family on Thursday, Feb. 14, 2008, from 3 to 7 p.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1110 N. Michigan St., Plymouth. Funeral services will be held following visitation at 7 p.m. The Rev. James Fair will officiate.

Burial will be on Friday in the Leiters Ford I.O.O.F. Cemetery, Leiters Ford.

Memorial contributions are requested to be directed to CEF of North Central Indiana, 14086 Michigan Rd., Argos, IN 46501.

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

Barbara Dawn Slaybaugh  Date of Death 2/11/2008

ETNA GREEN — Barbara Dawn Slaybaugh, 57, of Etna Green, died at 11:27 a.m. on Monday, Feb. 11, 2008 in Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw.

She is survived by her husband, John; children: John F. Slaybaugh Jr. of Etna Green, Jay A. Slaybaugh of Bremen, Dawn R. Vogler of Lakeville and Bruce Nelson of Cincinnati, Ohio; a sister, Carol (Lloyd) Shrouse of Ft. Wayne; and a brother, Richard (Renee) Knapp of Lacrosse.

There will be no visitation or services. A private family burial will take place.

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

Floyd E. Priser  Date of Death 2/12/2008

BREMEN — Floyd E. Priser, 79, of Bremen, died Tuesday, Feb. 12 at 12:04 p.m. at The Whitlock in Bremen.

He is survived by his wife, Marjorie; daughter, Mrs. Mark “Yvonne” R. Riege of Wakarusa; son, Lowell C. (Donna Jean) Priser of LaPaz; and four grandchildren.

Visitation is Saturday, Feb. 16 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Thoma/Rich, Chaney & Lemler Funeral Home, 308 W. Washington St., Bluffton. Funeral services are Saturday at 1 p.m. at the funeral home. There will also be a visitation with the family Sunday, Feb. 17 from 1 to 2:30 p.m. at the Whitlock in Bremen with a prayer memorial service in the Whitlock Commons.

Burial will be at Pleasant Dale Church Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Brethren Volunteer Service through the funeral home.

Dale Gene Houghton  Date of Death 2/13/2008

Dale Gene Houghton, 69, of Elkhart, formerly of Dogwood Road Mishawaka, passed away Wednesday, Feb. 13, 2008 in his home after an illness.
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Dale was born Jan. 29, 1939 in Culver to Flora E. (Hoover) and Harold R. Houghton.

He is survived by his wife of 49 years Marilee (Poorman) and four sons: David (Beth) Houghton of Middlebury, Mark (Jenifer) Houghton of Osceola, Steve (Sheila) Houghton of South Bend and Gary Houghton of Granger. Ten grandchildren. One granddaughter Heather Nieva (Ruben) was recently married.

Dale was preceded in death by his parents and one sister.

He and his wife lived in Mishawaka before moving to Elkhart a few years ago. He was a member of Coalbush United Methodist Church in Mishawaka. He retired after 43 years as a machinist. He was a loyal loving family man. He liked to hunt and fish. His main focus was working on the family farm in Culver. He was a member of the Boardwalk Community where he lived.

Friends may call from 2 to 4 and 5 to 7 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 15 at Coalbush United Methodist Church, Mishawaka. Funeral services will be held on Saturday at 12 p.m. with visitation one hour prior to services, in Coalbush United Methodist Church Mishawaka with Rev. Jim Davidson officiating. Burial will follow in Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Dale’s name be made to the Ronald McDonald House 435 Limestone St., Indianapolis, IN 46202 or to The Center for Hospice & Palliative Care 2901 E. Bristol St., Elkhart, IN.

Hahn Funeral Home, 505 W. 8th Street, Mishawaka has been entrusted with the arrangements.

To leave the family an online condolence or to share memories with the family, please visit our Web site www.hahnfuneralhomes.com

Peter Stanojevic  Date of Death 2/13/2008

NORTH JUDSON — Peter "Pete" Stanojevic, 46, of North Judson, died Wednesday, Feb. 13 at the Starke County Highway Garage.

He is survived by his wife, Brenda; son, Mark Stanojevic of North Judson; two daughters: Jennifer Bope of North Judson and Jaime Bope of Winamac; two brothers: Djurdje Stanojevic and Milorad Stanojevic of Yugoslavia and two nieces.

Visitation took place on Sunday, Feb. 17 from 4 to 8 p.m. at Braman & Bailey Funeral Home, North Judson.

Funeral services will be held at St. Peter Lutheran Church on Monday, Feb. 18 at noon (CST). Burial will follow at Highland Cemetery.

Anthony Kross  Date of Death 2/15/2008

PLYMOUTH — Anthony Kross, 82, of 5220 Plymouth-LaPorte Trail, Plymouth, passed away Friday, Feb. 15, 2008, at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Anthony was born on April 25, 1925 in Chicago, Ill. To Frank and Helen (Przenicza) Kross. Anthony and Lynette Swanson were married on Oct. 25, 1984. He has been a Marshall County resident since 1977 moving from Chicago.

Anthony served his country in WWII in the United States Navy. He owned Kross Enterprise Commercial Construction. He was a member of the Plymouth V.F.W. Post #1162. He was an avid golfer and played many golf courses, but had a great passion for Swan Lake Golf Course in Plymouth.
Anthony is survived by his wife, Lynette Kross of Plymouth.

Graveside services will be held Thursday, Feb. 21, 2008, at 11 a.m., with the Rev. John Branch officiating. Burial will be in the Swedish Cemetery in Plymouth.

Memorial contributions may be made to the choice of the donor.

Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison St., Plymouth, IN, 46563, is handling the arrangements.

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

Edna Pulla  Date of Death 2/15/2008

KNOX — Edna Pulla, 89, of Knox, died Friday, Feb. 15 at the Beverly Living Center.

She is survived by a granddaughter: Kelly (Michael) Eldridge of Michigan City and a number of friends.

Visitation will take place on Tuesday, Feb. 19 at 10 a.m. at the Braman & Son Memorial Chapel, Knox.

Funeral services will take place at the chapel on Tuesday, Feb. 19 at 1 p.m. with burial to follow at Crown Hill Cemetery.

Freda M. Ross  Date of Death 2/15/2008

LAKEVILLE — Freda M. Ross, 93, of Lakeville, died at 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 15, 2008 at the Miller’s Merry Manor Nursing Home, Walkerton.

She is survived by; one daughter, Kay E. (Franklin) Albert of South Bend; three sons, Gene E. Ross of South Bend, Larry J. Ross of South Bend, and LeRoy E. (Kathryn) Ross of North Liberty; one daughter-in-law, Sandra Ross of Land of Lakes, Fla; 12 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; four great-great grandchildren; one sister, Margaret DeMeyer of Walkerton; and one brother, Kenneth (Sarah) Knowlton of West Virginia.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 20, at the Pine Creek Church of the Brethren, North Liberty. Rev. Robert Pfeiffer will officiate. Graveside services and burial will follow at Fair Cemetery, North Liberty.

Friends may visit with the family from 3 to 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 19, at the Palmer Funeral Home, Lakeville, and one hour prior to services in the church on Wednesday.

Contributions in memory of Freda M. Ross may be donated to the Pine Creek Church of the Brethren, 69531 Pine Road, North Liberty, IN  46554.

Online condolences may be sent to the Ross family at  www.palmerfuneralhomes.com.

Mildred K. Couch Styers  Date of Death 2/15/2008

PLYMOUTH — Mildred K. Couch Styers, 87, of Plymouth, formerly of Indianapolis, died Friday, Feb. 15, 2008.

Survivors include her son, Stephen W. Styers of Plymouth; five grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and one great-great grandchild.

Services will be Saturday, Feb. 23 at 10 a.m. in Moore & Kirk Funeral Home in Indianapolis with
visitation there on Friday, Feb. 22 from 5 to 8 p.m.

Interment will be in Washington Park East Cemetery, Indianapolis.

Dennis Jachim  Date of Death 2/16/2008

MONTEREY — Dennis Jachim, 63, of Monterey, died on Saturday, Feb. 16.

He is survived by his wife, Myra; four children: Raymond Jachim and Richard Jachim, both of Monterey, Roman (Dawn) Jachim of Knox and Renee (Joe) Baker of Monterey; two grandchildren; a brother, Gary Jachim of Texas; a sister, Sharon Kalish of Florida; and half-sisters: Barbara Lasko of Illinois and Doris Boyer of Texas.

Visitation will take place on Tuesday, Feb. 19 from 2 to 8 p.m. (CT) at the M.C. Smith Funeral Home, Knox.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 20 at 11 a.m. (CT) at the funeral home.

The interment will be private.

Memorials may be made to the family.

James E. Miller  Date of Death 2/16/2008

PLYMOUTH — James E. “Jim” Miller, 61, of 13332 6C Road, Plymouth, went to his eternal home at 12:50pm on Saturday, February 16, 2008. He passed peacefully with his wife and daughter at his side.

Jim was known for his great love of his family and all people. He had a servant’s heart and gave of himself to those in need.

Born on March 20, 1946, in Canyon, Texas, Jim was the son of Earl E. and Beulah Weaver Miller.

He spent his childhood in Texas and attended schools in the Canyon area. As a young man, he worked as a farmhand and helped his dad.

He and Eleanor Ann Rost were married on Dec. 23, 1967, in Bacton Chapel in Malvern, Pa.

Jim joined the United States Army in 1963. He was stationed in South Korea, Germany, Vietnam and Edgemont, Pa. He also served at Fort Sill, Okla. And Fort Knox, Ky. He retired from active duty in 1983 after 20 years of service. During the Vietnam War, he was awarded a Purple Heart for injuries he sustained and a Bronze Star for heroism in ground combat.

After retiring, he moved his family to Plymouth. There he worked for five years as a Field Representative/Training instructor for AM General in South Bend teaching in Algeria, Egypt and Morocco.

Knowing his family needed him, he then worked stateside at Challenger Wrecker Co., Elkhart as a warranty manager and sales. He later worked as a hydraulic mechanic, roadside service, and delivery for DUECO, Bourbon.

Jim loved fishing, reading and wood carving. He had a love for adventure and travel. This led to serving the Lord on short term mission trips. He served with the Calvary Evangelistic Mission in San Juan, Puerto Rico and at Lakota Chapel, White River, S.D., and with his church to Mateete, Uganda. Jim and his wife also traveled to Israel in 2004.

He was a member of the Crossroads Evangelical Free Church, Plymouth. He looked forward to
The final chapter of Jim’s life was spent in prayer for his family. Daily, he went before the Lord on their behalf. He is survived by his wife, Eleanor, his three children, his 11 grandsons and his one granddaughter.

They are: Jennifer and Drew Peterson and their children, John, Joshua, Noah and Benjamin of Coats, N.C.; James Miller and Wendi Ewing Miller and their children, Rose, Jimmy and Evan of Plymouth; and Dawn and Mark Howland and children, Jerod, Daron, William, Robert and Nathan of Tyner.

Several siblings also survive his death. They are: Neva (Bill) Watson, Montgomery, Texas; Lois McDonald, Conroe, Texas; Delores (Wylie) Hannah, Tulia, Texas; Sharon (Archie) Scott, Levelland, Texas; Debbie (Gene) Cleveland, Amarillo, Texas and Kevin (Terri) Miller, Fritch, Texas. His sister-in-law Lorena Miller of Austin, Texas survives.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Carl R. Miller.

Friends are invited to share memories and celebrate the life of Jim with his family on Wednesday, Feb. 20, 2008, from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1110 N. Michigan St., Plymouth. There will be one hour of calling prior to services Thursday at the Church.

Funeral services for Jim will be held on Thursday, Feb. 21, 2008 at 11 a.m. at Crossroads Evangelical Free Church, 1650 N. Oak Rd., Plymouth. The Rev. Bill Walder will officiate.

Burial will be in the Swedish Cemetery, Donaldson.

Instead of flowers memorial gifts in Jim’s name may be given to the Lakota Chapel, Crossroads EFC, or the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care.

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

Betty Lee Schultz Date of Death 2/17/2008


A homemaker, she enjoyed country living and traveling. She especially loved her grandchildren.

She is survived by her husband; three daughters: Linda (Randy) Heidrich of North Liberty, Janet (Dennis) Reese of Plymouth and Carol Schultz of Plymouth; one son, Brian Schultz of Hamlet; four grandsons: David Schultz, Kyle Reese, Bryant Reese and Martin Schultz; one sister, Alice Trubey of South Bend; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Private family visitation and services will be held Thursday, Feb. 21 at the Essling Funeral Home in LaPorte with Pastor Vicky Blough officiating.

Burial will be at Patton Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to St. John Lutheran Church, 24955 Riley Rd., North Liberty, IN 46554.

Diana Dee Wiles Date of Death 2/18/2008
PLYMOUTH — Diana Dee Wiles was born in Plymouth on July 29, 1945, the daughter of Adam Robert and Mildred Eva Snider Thompson. She passed away at home after a lengthy battle with cancer on Feb. 18 at 2:58 a.m.

She was a 1963 graduate of Plymouth High School. She attended Ball State University. She graduated with a certificate from Famous Artists School in Connecticut.

Diana was married to Earl C. Wiles in 1964. She is survived by a daughter Sue and her husband Ron Goote; her mother, Mildred Eva Snider Thompson (Fremont) Books. Also surviving are one brother Jerry (Nina) Thompson of Tucson, Ariz. And one sister Ellen (Ron) Baney of Lakeville. Four grandchildren: Tiffany Buchanan, Michael Buchanan, Tiana Hlawacz and Alyxandra Hlawacz. She was preceded in death by her husband Earl.

She enjoyed farming with Earl. They raised beef cattle, rabbits and horses. They owned Twin Lakes Saddle Repair Shop. They were involved with 4-H horse, pony and rabbit clubs. Dee was very active in local rabbit clubs and always willing to help newcomers learn more about raising and showing rabbits. Together they were members of the American Rabbit Breeders Assn, National Rex Club, Indiana State Rex RBA, Sycamore Satin RBA. She was the Secretary-Treasurer for the Indiana State Rex RBA for many years.

Dee was a very bright woman with many talents. She was an accomplished pianist/organist and greatly enjoyed playing and sharing her musical talents. She was an accomplished artist working in all mediums, from canvas to wood. She designed jewelry and crafts, lapidary and wood carving. She received recognition for her art and jewelry through many displays at local libraries and craft shows. They sold stone jewelry and crafts at the Culver Farmer’s Market.

Memorial services for Dee will be held at 2 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 21, 2008, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth. Friends are invited to visit with the family from 1 p.m. until the time of the services.

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

Ruth N. Zechiel Date of Death 2/18/2008

Ruth N. Zechiel, 83, of Madison Township, died at 5:40 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 18, 2008 at Miller’s Merry Manor in Wakarusa.

She is survived by a daughter, Kay (Bob) Harrell of Maineville, Ohio; sons: Lee (Susan) Zechiel of Gurnee, Ill. And Rev. Tim (Marie) Zechiel of Steeleville, Ill.; seven grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; sister, Evelyn (Hanley) Barker of Eugene, Ore.; and sister-in-law, Lois Kline of Mill Valley, Calif.

Services will be held Friday, Feb. 22 at 11 a.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Woodland. Visitation is Thursday, Feb. 21, from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. at the Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen, and one hour before the service at the church.

Burial will be at St. Paul Cemetery in Woodland.

Memorial contributions may be made to: National Arthritis Foundation, 615 N. Alabama St., Suite 430, Indianapolis, IN 46204 or to St. Paul Lutheran Church, 15697 New Rd., Mishawaka, IN 46544 in Woodland.

James "Zook" Branden Date of Death 2/19/2008

DONALDSON — James “Zook” Branden, 72, died Tuesday, Feb. 19, 2008 in his home.

He is survived by his wife, Joan; daughter, Debra McCoige of Koontz Lake; sons: Bill (Theresa) McCoige of Dunedin, Fla., Bob (Sandy) McCoige and Steve (Connie) McCoige, all of Walkerton,
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Jody McCoige and John Branden, both of Donaldson and Jim (Amanda) Branden of Plymouth; 11 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Friday, Feb. 22 at 11 a.m. CST at the Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel. Visitation is Thursday from 4 to 8 p.m. CT at the funeral home.

Burial will be in the Grovertown Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, 112 S. Center St., Suite C, Plymouth, IN 46563.

Jeremiah D. Brewer  Date of Death 2/19/2008

ROCHESTER — Jeremiah D. Brewer, 26, died Feb. 19 in North Judson.

He is survived by his mother, Sherry Wireman of Rochester; father, Ernest (Laura) Brewer of Knox; daughter, Courtney Brewer of Indiana; sister, Tonya Brewer of Knox; and grandparents: Sescoe Wireman of North Judson and Irene Brewer of Knox.

Funeral services will be Monday, Feb. 25 at 1 p.m. CST at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel. Visitation is Monday after 11 a.m. until the time of services at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Oak Park Cemetery, Knox.

Shirley M. Fasel  Date of Death 2/19/2008

PLYMOUTH — Shirley M. Fasel, 80, of Plymouth, formerly of Merrillville, died Tuesday, Feb. 19 at home.

She is survived by her husband, George R. Fasel of Plymouth; daughters: Diane (Bill Stockton) Fasel of Fresno, Calif. And Debbie Bercik of Plymouth; son, David (Michelle) Fasel of Hanna; four grandchildren; and a sister, Virginia Strbac of Florida.

A family memorial service will be held at a later date.

Memorials may be made to the Indiana Masonic Home.

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

Judith Ewing  Date of Death 2/20/2008

OAK GROVE — Judith “Judy” Ewing, 67, of Oak Grove, died Wednesday, Feb. 20 in her home.

She is survived by her husband, Gerald “Jerry” Ewing; daughters: Carla (Pete) Thomas of Knox and Darla (Ken) Bajdek of Plymouth; one granddaughter; and four brothers: Joe Romenzak Jr. of Oak Grove, John Romenzak, Stanley Romenzak and Charles Romenzak, all of Knox.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, Feb. 27 at 11 a.m. CST at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel. Visitation is Tuesday, Feb. 26 from 4 to 8 p.m. CST and Wednesday after 10 a.m. until the time of services at the funeral home.

Burial will be in the Eagle Creek Cemetery, Knox. Memorial contributions may be given to the charity of choice.

John Swihart  Date of Death 2/20/2008

ARGOS — John Swihart, 89, of Argos, died Wednesday, Feb. 20 at Miller’s Merry Manor, Culver...
Jeffrey R. Cox  Date of Death 2/22/2008

PLYMOUTH – Jeffrey R. Cox, 13616 6 C. Rd., died in Saint Joseph Medical Center, Fort Wayne, at 3:22 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 22, 2008, due to injuries received in a work-related accident.

Jeff had worked as a lineman for NIPSCO for 30 years.

One of his main objectives in life was making the world smile.

Born in South Bend on Nov. 1, 1959, the son of James R. and Anna Lucille Clark Cox, Jeff graduated from Bremen High School with the class of 1978.

In high school he was the Sectional Champion in tennis.

On April 19, 1980, Jeff and Patti McGowan were married in Lakeville.

An active and much talented man, Jeff loved hunting, cooking and flying model airplanes. He enjoyed blues music and ballroom dancing. He liked to travel with his family.

He was a lifetime member of the NRA and a member of Quail Unlimited and the American Legion Post 27.

Jeff is survived by his wife, Patti, and by their son, Christopher and daughter-in-law, Jessica Cox of Charlotte, N.C.

His parents in Bremen also survive together with a brother, Jerry (Cindy) Cox, a sister, Joetta (Greg) Balsley, all of Plymouth, and several nieces and nephews.

Jeff is survived by his mother-in-law Jean McGowan, a sister-in-law, Suzanne (David) Adams, Lakeville, and a brother-in-law, Dr. Jack (Rose) McGowan, Montgomery, Texas, survives as well.

Jeff was preceded in death by his beloved pet, a German shorthaired pointer, named Bear.

Friends are invited by the family to share their memories and their love on Wednesday, Feb. 27, 2008, from 2 to 8 p.m., and continued after 7 a.m. on Thursday, Feb. 28, 2008, at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Jeff will take place at 11 a.m. on Thursday, Feb. 28, 2008, with calling one hour prior to services in the Plymouth Wesleyan Church, 11203 S. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Burial will take place at a later date in the Bremen Cemetery.

Memorial gifts in Jeff’s name may be made to the National Rifle Association.

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

Herman C. Faulkner  Date of Death 2/22/2008

ARGOS – Herman C. Faulkner, 93, a resident of Argos for 43 years and formerly from Ohio, passed away at his home while under Hospice care. He had been in failing health for two years.
He was born in Urbana, Ohio, the son of Lloyd and Gladys Faulkner. He married Mildred (Kesler) Sherer in Argos on December 3, 1965. He enjoyed his family, horses, fishing, woodworking, dancing, Big Band music, cards, bowling, and previously was a member on the Argos Town Board.

Herman is survived by his five step-children, Jerry Sherer and wife, Shirley, of Indianapolis, Margie (Sherer) Buschman and husband, Dennis, of Reynolds, Becky (Sherer) Hossler and husband, Fred, of Wisconsin, formerly of Warsaw, Jo Ann (Sherer) Alexander and husband, Doug, of Dyer and Devon Sherer and wife, Carmelita, of Cicero. He is also survived by 17 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren, and by two sisters, both from Ohio.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one sister, one brother and two grandsons.

Friends are invited to visit with Herman’s family and share memories of his life on Monday, Feb. 25, from 5 to 8 p.m., and on Tuesday, Feb. 26, after 7 a.m., at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Herman will be held at 11 a.m. on Tuesday in the funeral home. The Rev. Robert J. Vale of the Argos United Methodist Church, will officiate.

Burial will be in Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos.

Memorial gifts may be given in Herman’s name to the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, Inc.

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

Robert E. Auguststine  Date of Death 2/23/2008

BOURBON — Robert E. Augustine, 86, of 504 Lincoln St. Bourbon, passed away Saturday, Feb. 23, 2008 in his home in the care of his family and Hospice.

He was born the son of Elvin Martin Augustine and Edythe Pauline Plant Augustine on Dec. 16, 1921 at Westville. He was a resident of the Bourbon area most of his life. He was married on Nov. 3, 1945 to Naomi June Sickmiller who survives.

Robert worked at R.R. Donnelly of Warsaw and retired in March of 1985. He also owned and operated Augustine Home Service. He was a graduate of Bourbon High School class of 1940.

He was also a faithful member of the Bourbon First United Methodist Church. Robert served in the United States Air Force serving four years in the South West Pacific during World War II; he also served in the Thirteenth Air Force for two years.

He is survived by his wife Naomi and their three children: Edith Eileen (Robert) Baker of Plainfield, James Robert Augustine of Bourbon and Celeste Ann (Bill) Reed of Denver, Ind.; grandchildren: Michelle Renee Reynolds Casaz, Robyn Lynn Reynolds, Keller, Jenifer Nicole Augustine, Miller and Adam James Augustine and great-grandchildren: Jessica Casaz, Abigail Miller and Nathan Christopher Miller.

His brother Paul Augustine preceded him in death Sept. 20, 2005.

Funeral Services to celebrate Robert’s life will be Wednesday, Feb. 27 at 2 p.m. in the Bourbon First United Methodist Church with Rev. Mark Day officiating.

The family will receive friends from 1 p.m. until the time of the Service.
Burial will follow in the Pleasant Hill Cemetery at Bourbon, with Graveside Military services by the Bourbon American Legion.

Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, 115 S. Main St., Bourbon, is in charge of local arrangements.

**Carole A. Lindsey  Date of Death 2/23/2008**

HAMLET — Carole A. Lindsey, 63, of Hamlet, died Saturday, Feb. 23 at home.

She is survived by companion, Jim Blevins of Hamlet; daughter, Mary Ann (Tom) O’Connor of Koontz Lake; son, Scott (Pam) Lindsey of Missouri; and three grandchildren.

Visitation is Tuesday, Feb. 26 from 1 to 3 p.m. and 5 to 7 p.m. EST at the Nusbaum-Elkin Funeral Home, Walkerton. Funeral services are Wednesday, Feb. 27 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Woodlawn Cemetery.

**Lily B. Sult  Date of Death 2/23/2008**

CULVER — Lily B. Sult, 89, formerly of Leiter's Ford, died Saturday, Feb. 23 at 6:53 a.m. at Miller's Merry Manor, Culver.

She is survived by two daughters: Mary Ellon (Dave) Ryon of Dayton, Ohio and Joan B. (David) Hodson of Peru, Ind.; one son: John (Amy) Sult of Culver; eight grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

Visitation will take place at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 26, at the Mt. Hope United Methodist Church with funeral services to follow at 11 a.m.

Burial will take place at Leiters Ford Cemetery.

Electronic expressions of sympathy may be sent to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com. This e-mail address is being protected from spam bots, you need JavaScript enabled to view it Memorials may be made to Mt. Hope Methodist Church.

**Evelyn M. Eyrich  Date of Death 2/24/2008**


Born on June 29, 1930 in LaPaz, the daughter of Samuel Homer Oliver and Ethel Hester Hildebrandt Thornburg, Evelyn graduated from West High School with the class of 1948.

On July 4, 1948, in Plymouth, she and Carl L. Eyrich were married. Carl died in June of 1998.

She helped Carl run the farm: she collected and sold eggs and tended to the animals and helped with the field work. She also worked at Orthopedic Equipment Company in Bourbon.

A lifetime member, Evelyn was very active in her church, the House of Prayer, especially in the Women’s Ministry. She enjoyed fishing and making afghans. She was known across the county for the noodles and angel food cakes that she made for the church.

She is survived by her son, Steve (Betsy) Eyrich of Angola, and by their son, Thomas Stephen Eyrich, also of Angola.

A sister, Ruth (Dennis) Zent of Nappanee and a brother, James Thornburg of Donaldson, survives as well, together with numerous nieces and nephews.
Evelyn was preceded in death by her husband, a brother, Eugene Thornburg and a daughter, Christina Correll-Laughry.

The family invites friends to share memories with them on Thursday, Feb. 28, 2008, from 4 to 8 p.m. and after 7 a.m. on Friday, Feb. 29, 2008 at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Evelyn will be held in the funeral home at noon on Friday, Feb. 29, 2008. The Rev. Ron Humphrey, pastor of the House of Prayer, Plymouth, will officiate.

Burial will be in Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Bourbon.

Memorial gifts may be made to the Alzheimers Association.

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

Steven M. Middaugh  Date of Death 2/24/2008

ARGOS — Steven M. Middaugh, 47, of 17645 Hickory Rd., Argos, passed away Sunday, Feb. 24, 2008 in Goshen General Hospital after a courageous battle with cancer.

He was born the son of Raymond D. Middaugh and Alberta C. Snyder Middaugh on Aug. 20, 1960 at Rochester. He was a lifetime resident of the Argos area.

He was a farmer and had worked over the years for 151 Tire Systems, Agway Seed, Mallard RV and Damon Corporation. Steven was a 1980 graduate of Argos High School, a member of the Rural Youth, and was a faithful member of the Walnut Church of the Brethren.

Steven loved to collect International toy tractors and antique tractors.

Steven was married on Sept. 22, 1984 to Sharon Cretcher who survives along with his three children; Natasha and husband Nick Shafer of Plymouth, Nathanael Middaugh and Nanette Middaugh, both of Argos. He also has two sisters: Jean Wallace of Milford and Carolyn and husband Dewight Manns of Akron; two brothers: Charles and wife Rita Middaugh of Argos and Carl and wife Jill Middaugh of Bourbon.

Steven was preceded in death by a brother, David and his parents.

Funeral services to celebrate Steven’s life will be held on Friday, Feb. 29 at 10:30 a.m. in Walnut Church of the Brethren with Pastor Robert Rice officiating.

The family will receive friends from 3 to 8 p.m. Thursday in the Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home at 115 S. Main St. Bourbon, and for one hour before services in the Church Friday.

Burial will follow in the Maple Grove Cemetery at Argos.

The family requests that memorial contributions be made to the Walnut Church of the Brethren in his memory.

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

Marian Myers Munn  Date of Death 2/25/2008

PLYMOUTH — Marian Munn, 78, a resident of Union Road, Plymouth, since 1957, died of natural causes at her home, on Monday, Feb. 25, 2008.
Born in Plymouth on Oct. 24, 1929, Marian is the daughter of John Albert and Laura Arvivia (Roberts) Myers. She graduated as Valedictorian of the 1947 class from Plymouth High School.


She was a ‘farmers wife’ as she would put it and helped maintain the family farm property often pulling weeds, picking up road trash and pine cones.

An outgoing, friendly person, she loved to talk with her family and friends. She was always cutting out articles about people and her grandchildren for the sake of scrapbooking and often sent greeting cards and doing things for others.

One of her recent projects was establishing two scholarship funds in the Marshall County Community Foundation for agricultural students at Plymouth and John Glenn high schools.

She was a longtime member of the Blissville Church of the Brethren.

Marian is survived by a daughter and son-in-law, Laura Ann and James C. Vervynckt of Plymouth and her eight children. They are: Nathan, Jessica, Jacob, Stacy, Todd, Gabriel, Lucas and Audrey Vervynckt.

She is also survived by a sister-in-law Maxine Myers, Plymouth, and a brother-in-law, Evan Huff, Bremen, and several nieces and nephews.

Marian was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, a brother, A. Eldon Myers and two sisters, Geraldine Ritchey and Lucille Huff.

Friends are invited to celebrate the life and share memories with her family from 5 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 28, 2008, and after 7 a.m. on Friday, Feb. 29, 2008, at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Marian will be held at 3 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 29, 2008, in the funeral home, the Rev. Paul Nye will officiate.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Marian’s memory may be made to the Blissville Church of the Brethren.

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

Memorial gifts may be made to the Blissville Church of the Brethren.

Jack Loren Schlotterback  Date of Death 2/25/2008

Jack Loren Schlotterback, 77, died on Feb. 25, 2008 at Visiting Nurse and Hospice House in Fort Wayne. He was born in Fort Wayne on July 11, 1930 to Irvin Schlotterback and Lillian Helmke.

He was a boy scout, graduated from Central High School in 1948, joined the Navy Reserve in 1949 and also married in 1949. He was employed as a serviceman by NIPSCO for 38 years, in the cities of Fort Wayne, Syracuse, Goshen, Elkhart, and others before retiring in 1987.

Jack is survived by one sister, Rose Pemberton; one niece and two nephews. He had nine children: Kristy Ohneck, Toni Smith-Wysong, Jerri Kaluza, Ben Schlotterback, Shelly Morr, Kevin Maloney, Jeff & Greg Slough, and Mandy Miller. They gave him 28 grandchildren, 17 + great-grandchildren, and one-great-great-grandchild.
Jack enjoyed fishing, hunting, camping, boating, playing cards, fresh garden vegetables, raising fruit trees, dancing and being with friends, summers in Wisconsin and Canada, winters in Florida and large family gatherings for Thanksgiving and Christmas and autumn bonfires.

Viewing will take place on Saturday, March 1 at J. A. Brazzell-Renner Funeral Home in Ligonier, from 2 to 4 p.m. with graveside service to follow at Ligonier Cemetery.

Memorials to Visiting Nursing & Hospice House or American Cancer Society.

Juanita A. Barger  Date of Death 2/26/2008

Former Argos resident Juanita A. Barger, 78, died Tuesday, Feb. 26, 2008, in Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth, following an extended illness.

Juanita was born the daughter of David and Mildred Wells Eaglen in West Virginia on Sept. 5, 1929.

She took Samuel R. Barger to be her husband in 1952. Together they owned and operated the S&J Restaurant in Plymouth.

In 1976 they moved to South Bend where she opened a Licensed Home Daycare Center.

Juanita had a wonderful sense of humor and enjoyed shopping, her biggest pleasure, however was her family, especially her grandchildren.

She is survived by a daughter, Pam (Kirk) Thompson, Plymouth; a son, Steve (Terri) Barger, Mishawaka; eight grandchildren: Shane (Dalana) Barger, Lakeville; Samantha Thompson, Plymouth; Ryan Tucker, Noblesville; Cody Thompson, Muncie; Matt Tucker, California; Chris Tucker, Bloomington; Chad Barger and Stacy Barger, both of Mishawaka; four great-grandchildren: Shawna Thompson–York, Alexis, Arieze, and Ayva Barger; three sisters: Virginia, Shirley, and Marlene; and a multitude of nieces and nephews survive as well.

Juanita was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, and a daughter, Donna (Barger) Tucker.

A private family graveside service will be held at a later date in Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens.

In lieu of flowers, cards may be sent in care of Pam Thompson, 321 S. 6th St., Plymouth, IN 46563, or memorial contributions may be given to the American Lung Association.

Online condolences may be sent to the family through the funeral home’s Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com

Blanche H. Marton  Date of Death 2/26/2008

Blanche H. Marton, 93, of Mount Dora, Fla., formerly of Culver, died Tuesday, Feb. 26.

She is survived by her husband, Antal Marton of Mount Dora, Fla.; sons: Brian (Barbara) Linhart of Culver, Larry (Sherry) Linhart of Longboat Key, Fla. And Robert (Cindy) Marton of Mount Dora, Fla.; four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Saturday, March 1 from 1 to 2 p.m. at Grace United Church of Christ, Culver. Funeral services are Saturday at 2 p.m. at the church.

Burial will be at the Culver Masonic Cemetery.
Memorials may be made to Grace United Church of Christ.

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

**Byrdlee Barnett  Date of Death 2/27/2008**

MONTEREY — Byrdlee Barnett, 64, of Knox, died Wednesday, Feb. 27 at St. Marys Medical Center, Hobart.

She is survived by two daughters: Diana Barnett of Nappanee and Marie Graham of South Bend; a son: Terry Barnett of Niles, Mich.; two brothers: Donald Shepherd of Smithville, Tenn. and James Shepherd of Knox; a sister: Roberta Burden of Chicago, Ill.; seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Visitation took place from 4 to 8 p.m. on Sunday, March 2 at Braman & Son Memorial Chapel, Knox.

Funeral services will take place on Monday, March 3 at 11 a.m. with burial to follow at Culver Masonic Cemetery, Culver.

**Mary J. Knight  Date of Death 2/27/2008**

ROCHESTER — Mary J. Knight, 81, of Rochester, died at 3:45 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 27 at Hickory Creek of Rochester.

She is survived by a daughter, Frances (Michael) Eltzroth of Wabash; son, Ernest (Sharon) Knight Jr. of Athens; five grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and a brother, Bud (Mary) Cunningham of Plymouth.

Funeral services are Friday, Feb. 29 at 11 a.m. in the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation one hour prior to the service.

Burial will be at Citizens Cemetery.

**Reubin A. Rode  Date of Death 2/27/2008**

KNOX — Reubin A. Rode, 82, of Knox, died Wednesday, Feb. 27 at Starke Memorial Hospital.


There will be no visitation services.

Funeral services will be held at a later date. Braman & Son Memorial Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

**Geneva Burnis Christlieb  Date of Death 2/28/2008**


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stepson, Bernard Christlieb of Fort Wayne; step-daughters: Virginia Lincoln of Fort Wayne and Janice Smith of Auburn; 45 grandchildren; 112 great-grandchildren; and two great-great grandchildren; brothers, Garland K. (Betty) Keister of Poe, Arthur Orin (Cindy) Cummins of Columbia City; and sister, Georgia Marie (Larry) Lock of Larwill.

Visitation is 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. with funeral service to follow at 2 p.m. on Thursday, March 6 at DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Park Funeral Home, 600 Countryside Drive, Columbia City.

Burial will follow at Christian Chapel Cemetery, Merriam, Noble County.

Memorials may be given to the Whitley County Senior Center.

Violet Ham  Date of Death 2/28/2008

PLYMOUTH — Violet Ham, 93, died at 9:55 a.m., Thursday Feb. 28, 2008, in Pilgrim Manor, Plymouth.

She was born in Bourbon, IN on May 16, 1914 to the late Charles and Villa Fern Nellans Ferguson.

Violet attended Bourbon schools.

On June 16, 1932 she married Robert "Bob" Ham in Plymouth; he died Sept. 4, 1973. They had three daughters Margaret "Peggy", Carolyn and Sonia.

Together Bob and Violet ownedCourtesy Cleaners from January 1951 to August 1972.

Violet was a member of the Presbyterian Church in Plymouth, and the Beta Sigma Phi for many years and held numerous offices in the sorority.

She is survived by two of her daughters and their husbands Margaret "Peggy" (Max) Hatfield, and Sonia (James) Kadlec all of Plymouth; 10 grandchildren, many great-grandchildren, many great-great grandchildren, four brothers: Clifford (Barbara) Ferguson, Donald (Avalee) Ferguson, and Floyd (Carol) Ferguson all of Plymouth; Lloyd (Linda) Ferguson, New Albany; one sister: Marjorie (Glenden) Albright, Plymouth; and three sister-in-law's Dorothy Ferguson, Argos; Lena Ferguson, Niles, Mich.; and Lizzie Moore, Plymouth.

Violet was preceded in death by her husband, parents, daughter Carolyn Elliot, two brothers Robert Ferguson, Melvin Ferguson; and two sisters Bernice (Walter) Ott and Donna Ferguson.

Friends are invited to celebrate the life and share memories with her family from 4 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, March 4, 2008, and after 7 a.m. on Wednesday March 5, at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Violet will be held at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, March 5, in the funeral home, the Rev. James Campbell will officiate.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be given to the Presbyterian Church, or to the donor's choice.

The family may receive online condolences through the funeral home's Web site at www.johnson-danielson.com.

Rosetta Mae (Lawrence) Simmons  Date of Death 2/28/2008

ELKHART — Rosetta Mae (Lawrence) Simmons, 85, of Elkhart, died at 6:20 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 28.
She is survived by daughters: Christina M. (Rowton) Spaid and Sandra K. Simmons of Elkhart, and Joanne P. (Rowton) Mauch of Buchanan, Mich.; sons: Gary A. Simmons of Ocala, Fla. And Marvin D. Rowton of Littleton, Colo.; 29 grandchildren; 38 great-grandchildren; 17 great-great-grandchildren; and a sister, Leola Draeger-Lawrence of Nevada.

Visitation is Sunday, March 2 from 2 to 6 p.m. at the A.M. Manuel Funeral Home, North Liberty. Funeral services are Monday, March 3 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be in Eastlawn Cemetery.

**James A. Whiteman Date of Death 2/28/2008**

PLYMOUTH — James A. Whiteman, 94, died Thursday, Feb. 28 at 3:07 p.m. at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

He is survived by two sons: Jim (Nancy) Whiteman and Tom (Maxine) Whiteman, all of Plymouth; a daughter, Deborah (Roger) Emmons Sr. of LaPaz; 14 grandchildren, 32 great-grandchildren and six great-great-grandchildren.

Visitation took place on Sunday, March 2 from 4 to 7 p.m. at Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth with calling continuing Monday morning at 7 a.m.

Funeral services will take place on Monday, March 3 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to Union North Ambulance Service. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.johnson-danielson.com.

**Carl D. Zolman Date of Death 2/28/2008**

MENTONE — Carl D. Zolman, 90, of Mentone, died at 4:30 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 28 at Miller’s Merry Manor, Warsaw.

He is survived by sons: John (Sue) Zolman of Mentone and Jerry (Connie) Zolman of Mentone; seven grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Monday, March 3 from 4 to 8 p.m. at King Memorial Home, Mentone. Funeral services are Tuesday, March 4 at 10:30 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at the Mentone Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Mentone EMS.

**Mary Kay Cook Date of Death 2/29/2008**

NAPPANEE — Mary Kay Cook, 44, formerly of Nappanee, died Friday, Feb. 29 at 9:17 a.m. at Elkhart General Hospital.

She is survived by her husband, Tim E. Cook; parents: Walter and Doris M. Lynch of Bremen; two daughters: Christine Marie Cook and Lisa Marie Cook, both of Nappanee; two step-daughters: Tammy Joe O'Dell of Wakarusa and Tera Joe Tener of Nappanee; two brothers: (twin) Michael Ray (Carolyn) Lynch of Bremen and Greg A. (Donna) Lynch of Evansville; one sister, Jennifer (Tom) D'Haese of Nottawa, Mich.; five grandchildren and father-in-law Bob Cook of Goshen.

Visitation will take place from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. on Monday, March 3 at the Bremen Church of God.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday, March 4 at 10 a.m. at the Bremen Church of God.
Burial will take place at a later date.

Memorials may be made to The Benefit for Mary Cook Fund c/o Chiphone Federal Credit Union, 250 N. Miriam, Nappanee, IN 46550.

Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen is in charge of arrangements.

**Thomas George Koontz  Date of Death 2/29/2008**

CHICAGO — Former Marshall County resident Thomas George Koontz passed away Friday, Feb. 29, 2008 in Rush University Hospital, Chicago.

Born on Oct. 11, 1950 in Bremen, he is the son of Donald and Betty Koontz of Plymouth.

Tom is survived by his parents; two sisters: Terri (Steve) Jackson of Thebes, Ill. And Trudy (Tom) Stearns of Plymouth; along with three nieces, one nephew, three great nieces, three great nephews and many close friends.

He will be remembered by his family and friends for his loving spirit. Tom enjoyed music, horseback riding, camping, the beach, and scuba diving. He was a certified scuba instructor. He also enjoyed traveling and had lived in Puerto Rico for 14 years. Tom was a writer and publisher by profession.

In respect for Tom’s wishes there will be no visitation and family services will be held at a later date.

Memorial gifts may be made to the donor’s choice.

The Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, is assisting with arrangements. Messages to the family may be sent through the funeral home’s Web site at: www.johnson-danielson.com

**Rue Dee Marker  Date of Death 2/29/2008**

Rue Dee Marker, of Mesa, Ariz., previously from Bremen, passed away Friday, Feb. 29, 2008, at 8:20 a.m. at the Banner Baywood Hospital. He was 71.

He was born on June 13, 1936, to Violet Shaffer and Rudolph Marker in Wakarusa. Deedle, as his childhood friends knew him, attended Madison Schools. He had the St. Joe County Grand Champion 4-H Steer in 1950 and took first place in Pheasants in 1952. He also played basketball for Madison, under his father, and was on the 1953 County Championship team.

Rue Dee graduated with a B.A. in physical education from Indiana University in 1959. He was a member of the Lamda Chi Alpha Fraternity there. After graduation, he taught math and coached basketball at Ligonier Schools. That is where he met his wife, Judy Wade. They were married on Dec. 16, 1961, in Wakarusa. They later moved to Bremen where he taught math while earning his master's degree in elementary education and administration at Ball State University.

In 1967, Rue was appointed the Middle School Principal at Bremen. During his 13 years as principal, he also negotiated teacher salaries, was the treasurer for the Board of Directors of IN Association of Elementary Principals, wrote and administered several OSHIA programs, was the President of the Bremen Parks Board of Directors, President of the Town Board, and served as Commissioner of Police.

In 1974, Rue Dee and Judy opened Ju-Dee-Kay’s Hummel Figurines. They traveled to Germany to obtain the figurines and import them. They became the world’s largest dealer of Hummels. Rue was also known as one of the leading experts on Hummels and was a consultant for the
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manufacturer, the Goebel Company. He organized several international conventions, advised many researchers and authors and was fortunate to own and sell many rare and one of a kind pieces.

In 1983, he retired from Bremen Public Schools and moved to Sierra Vista, Ariz., with his wife. There, they opened The Sideboard, a specialty china and crystal store. As much as they loved Arizona, Bremen was always home to them and they moved back in 1991.

While retired, Rue Dee still instructed Driver Training Classes and taught G.E.D. at night. He loved young people and was the happiest when he was helping others. One of his most memorable committees was the United Way of Marshall County, where he served from 1993-1999, serving as Chairman in 1995-1996. In 1999, he was appointed to the Christmas in April Board of Marshall County.

Mr. Marker also served as the head of the accounting department at Bremtown Kitchens for a short time. Then, in 1998, he was appointed Clerk-Treasurer for the Town of Bremen. He enjoyed his position until 2000. Shortly after the passing of his wife, he moved back to Arizona where he continued to deal in Hummel figurines and collectibles.

Rue Due is survived by his daughter, Kimberly Taylor of Wakarusa; two grandchildren: Ambria and Maliq Taylor of Wakarusa; a niece, Elizabeth (Mike) Getz-Capron of Bremen; and a nephew, Stephen Getz of Bremen. He also leaves behind his good friend, Theresa Durham and loving Shih Tzu, Princess.

A memorial service is being held at the Bremen K-8 School Gymnasium, 700 W. South St., Bremen, on Saturday, March 15, 2008. There will be a visitation at 1 p.m., with the service beginning at 2 p.m. There will be another hour of visitation after the service. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to The Rue Dee Marker Scholarship Fund at Bremen High School. Donations can be sent to The Marshall County Community Foundation, PO Box 716, Plymouth, IN 46563.

The Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen is assisting the family with arrangements. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.mishlerfuneralhomes.com

Gertrude Wildon Connolly  Date of Death 3/2/2008

PLYMOUTH – Gertrude Wilson Connolly, 96, died at 9:35 p.m. on Sunday, March 2, 2008 in Miller’s Merry Manor, where she had been a resident for more than 14 years. Before coming to Plymouth, Gertrude had been a resident of Elkhart for many years.

Born on March 25, 1911, in Providence, R.I., she was the daughter of Frank R. and Ruth May Russell Wilson. Gertrude was a graduate of Lowell High School, Lowell, Mass.

Gertrude had many interests including: her family, reading, sewing, researching genealogy, and her favorite past-time was writing poems. She was also active in the Republican party in Elkhart, and had been very active in the Civil Defense during WWII.

She was a member of the First Congregational Church in Elkhart, where she had been very active in the activities of the church.
Gertrude is survived by two daughters: Ruth E. (Ronald) Weist of Plymouth, Janet Lawrence of Centralia, Wash.; seven grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, a daughter, May E. Bond, a son-in-law, Carl R. Lawrence, and granddaughter, Karen Lynn Lawrence, a sister, Dorothy Schmelzer and a brother, Homer Wilson.

Friends are invited to share memories of Gertrude with her family from 4 to 6 p.m. on Thursday, March 6, 2008, at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, Ind.

Funeral services will be held following visitation at 6 p.m. on Thursday, in the funeral home. Pastor Larry Ferguson will officiate.

Burial will be in Prairie Street Cemetery, Elkhart.

Memorial gifts in Gertrude's name may be given to the Salvation Army.

Notes of condolence may be sent to the family through the funeral home Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com

Connie June Gardner  Date of Death 3/2/2008

BREMEN — Connie June Gardner, 65, of Bremen, died Sunday, March 2 at Community Hospital of Bremen.

She is survived by her husband, Howard "Mike" Gardner; two daughters: Carman (Rick) Greenlee of Bourbon and Michelle (Bill) Workman of Bloomington; a son, Mick (Barbara) Gardner of Bremen; a sister: Vickie (Kim) Finkenbiner of North Webster; two brothers: Eugene (Linda) Eads of Nevada and Arlis Eads of Plymouth; two grandchildren and one step-grandson.

Visitation will take place from 4 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, March 4 at Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen and at 9 a.m. Wednesday at the church.

Funeral services will take place on Wednesday, March 5 at 10:30 a.m. at Pine Creek Church of the Brethren, North Liberty with burial to follow at Morris Cemetery, LaPaz.

Condolences may be sent to the family via the funeral home's site at www.mishlerfuneralhomes.com.

James Joseph, II Hill  Date of Death 3/2/2008

ROCHESTER — James Joseph "Jamie" Hill II, 32, of Rochester, died Sunday, March 2, at 6:36 p.m. at his home.

He is survived by a son, Gavin Reese Hill of Silver Lake; his mother, Rita L. Hill of Rochester; his father, James J. Hill of Rochester; four sisters: Tami Cox of Akron, Debi Shidler of Rochester, Katina "Katryna" Powell (Scott) of Rochester and Kira (Andy) Shotts of Rochester; two brothers: Art (Jamie) Shidler of Rochester and William "Bill" Adams of Mass.; his companion, Brenda Wilson of Rochester; her children: Brielle Braxtin and Brilee Wilson, all of Rochester; an uncle, Mike Hill and several nieces and nephews.

Visitation will take place on Wednesday, March 12 from 2 to 8 p.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester and one hour prior to services Thursday.

Funeral services will take place on Thursday, March 13 at 10 a.m. with burial to follow at Fulton Cemetery.
Memorials may be made to Jamie’s son Gavin Reese Hill, in care of 1st Source Bank or the Good Family Funeral Home, 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

Janet L. Loveless  Date of Death 3/2/2008

KEWANNA — Janet L. Loveless, 53, of Kewanna, died at 2:58 a.m. Sunday, March 2 at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

She is survived by son, Aaron J. Loveless of Marion; one granddaughter, mother, Dolly Rife of Fulton; sister, Carol Rife of Fulton; and brothers: Bud (Ellen) Rife of Mitchell and Jerry Rife of Fulton.

Services will be held at a later date.

The Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, is in charge of the arrangements.

Margaret Emilie DePrez  Date of Death 3/3/2008

PLYMOUTH — Margaret Emilie DePrez, 84, a longtime Pennsylvania Ave., Plymouth resident and employee of Marshall County Welfare Office, died at her home on Monday morning, March 3.

She was born in Shelbyville on Oct. 30, 1923. She was the daughter of Karl J. DePrez of Shelbyville and Mary McDannold Lamb DePrez of New London, Mo. She had two sisters, Mary Lamb DePrez Harding and Anne Deprez Theobald, both deceased.

Ms. DePrez never married and bore no children. She is survived by six nieces and nephews: Mary Elizabeth Harding Bradly of Skaneateles, New York; Mary Lamb Theobald Palbykin of Tucson, Ariz.; Ralph Lyman Harding, III of Freeport, Maine; Peter Michael Theobald of Cincinnati, Ohio; Margaret Anne Harding St. John of Rowayton, Conn.; and Anne Theobald Ramsey of Middleton, Wis.

Ms. DePrez was a social worker for the Marshall County Welfare Department where she was recognized an as excellent case worker. A strong and independent woman who liked to have fun, she also worked for Eli Lily and Wassons in Indianapolis and General Electric in Shelbyville. An accomplished knitter, she parlayed her skill into her own business which she ran as Margaret’s Art Needlework of Shelbyville.

Ms. DePrez has been a member of St. Thomas Episcopal Church in Plymouth for more than 30 years. She was a lover of dogs, flowers, and sitting and chatting with friends. She was a lover of opera and was recognized for the big-city refinement and culture she happily brought to a small town. She traveled extensively with trips to Europe, Brazil, Mexico and Asia.

Ms. DePrez attended Hollins College of Roanoke, Va. And graduated from DePauw University. She will be missed by her many friends and relatives.

A Remembrance Mass will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, March 8 in the St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 400 N. Center St., Plymouth. The Rev. Fr. John Schramm will be the Celebrant.

Family and friends are invited to attend a reception immediately following in Sheridan Hall at the church. The Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth is assisting with arrangements.

Interment will be in the DePrez family plot located in the forest Hill Cemetery, Shelbyville.

In lieu of flowers Margaret had requested memorial gifts be given to St. Thomas Church or

LEESBURG, Fla. — Arvada C. "Susie" Sullivan, 86, of Leesburg, Fla., formerly of Plymouth, died Monday, March 3, 2008, at 11 a.m. in Mayfield Retirement Center in Leesburg.

She is survived by her friend, Sue Veith of Florida.

Services will be held on Thursday, March 13, 2008, at 2 p.m., at New Oak Hill Chapel in Plymouth.

Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, is in charge of the local arrangements.

William J., Sr. VanVactor  Date of Death 3/3/2008

PLYMOUTH — William “Bill” J. VanVactor Sr., 66, of 11306 S. Michigan St., Plymouth, passed away Monday, March 3, 2008 at 4 p.m. at his home.

Bill was born on Nov. 11, 1941, in Lima, Ohio, to Joseph and Anna (Wagner) VanVactor. He worked with his family at Van’s Transfer, in Plymouth. After the family business closed, he went to work for Marine East in Atwood. Bill proudly served his country in the United States Air Force. He was a member of the Marshall County Sheriff’s Posse from 1960 to 1985. He played in the “Crystal Cannon Band” for four years as their bass player.

Bill is survived by his son, William (Butch) and Marilee VanVactor of Plymouth; his daughters: Barbara and Everett Redding of Yuma, Ariz., Rebecca and David Barry of Plymouth, and Ronda and Rusty Guin of West Virginia; 15 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; his father, Joseph (Joe) and Mardelle VanVactor of Plymouth; his sister, Joanne VanVactor of Indianapolis; his brothers: James and Deloris VanVactor of Knox and Jon and Ruth VanVactor of Plymouth.

He was preceded in death by his mother Anna, in 1981, and by his grandson Jonathan, in 2006.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, March 7, 2008 at 2 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home in Plymouth, with the Rev. John Perkinson officiating. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Family and friends are invited to share memories of Bill, with his family, on Friday, March 7, 2008, from noon to 2 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth.

Memorial donations may be given to the choice of the donor.

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

O.C. White  Date of Death 3/4/2008

WALKERTON — O.C. White, 90, died Tuesday, March 4 at Miller’s Merry Manor, Walkerton.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret of Walkerton; sons: Dean (Bev) Johnson of Arizona, Walter (Judy) Johnson of Goshen and Dennis (Rita) Johnson of Walkerton; nine grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Friday, March 7 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. at the Nusbaum-Elkin Funeral Home, Walkerton, and one hour prior to the services Saturday. Funeral services are Saturday, March 8
Michael J. Bauman  Date of Death 3/5/2008

SOUTH BEND — Michael J. Bauman, 88, of South Bend, died Wednesday, March 5, 2008.

He is survived by sons: Kevin Bauman of South Bend and Jon Hawkins of Plymouth; daughters: Hazel M. Scott and Vicki Maybee, both of Tyner, and Roseanna Jean of Mooresville; 10 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; sisters: Alice Pearson, Doris Anders, Joan Faust and Lois Morrill; and brothers: Howard, Lawrence and Robert Bauman.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11:30 a.m. Monday, March 10, 2008 in the St. Matthew Cathedral, 1701 Miami, South Bend. Visitation is from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday in the Palmer Funeral Home-Guisinger Chapel, 3718 S. Michigan St. South Bend.

Richard E. "Dick" Boganwright  Date of Death 3/7/2008

CLAYPOOL — Richard E. "Dick" Boganwright of S. 1000 W., Claypool, Ind. Died Saturday, March 7, 2009 at 9:10 p.m. at his home.

He is survived by his wife, Juanita I. (Fear) Boganwright; a daughter, Theresa (Randy) Alber of Claypool; a son, Tim (Sara) Boganwright of Claypool; five grandchildren and two sisters: Iris Davis and Lois Miller, both of Mentone, Ind.

Visitation will take place from 4:30 to 8:30 Tuesday, March 10, 2009 and one hour prior to services Wednesday at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone.

Funeral services will take place at the church at 10 a.m. Wednesday, March 11 at Beaver Dam United Methodist Church, 9798 W. 1000 S., Akron, Ind.

Burial will follow at Mentone Cemetery, Mentone, Ind.

Memorials may be made to Beaver Dam United Methodist Church and Hope Hospice of Fulton County, Rochester, Ind.

Online condolences may be sent via www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

Stephen P., Sr. Williams  Date of Death 3/7/2008

PLYMOUTH — Stephen P. Williams Sr., 33, of Plymouth, died Friday, March 7 at 10:38 a.m. at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center's Emergency Room, Plymouth.

Williams was born Jan. 9, 1975, in Oak Lawn, Ill., to Ronald and Patricia (Daniels) Williams. He and Carol were married on Oct. 17, 2007. Williams was a stay-at-home father with his children.

Williams is survived by his wife, Carol; his children: Stephen, Jr., Steel, Sidney, and Stone; his mother, Patricia Mazie of Plymouth; his grandmother, Florence Daniels of Plymouth and his sister Angel Highsmith of Eau Claire, Wis.

Visitation will be Tuesday, March 11, from 2 to 4 p.m. and from 6 to 8 p.m., at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth.

There will be no funeral services.

Memorial contributions may be given to the family.
Barbara Proud  Date of Death 3/8/2008

KNOX — Barbara Proud, 64, of Knox, died Saturday, March 8 at St. Margaret’s Hospital, East Chicago.

She is survived by daughters: Tammy (Jon) Lee Gudorf of Knox and Sophia Fulton of Sarasota, Fla.; stepdaughter, Debraha (Dennis) Siddal of New Carlisle; son, Michael (Victoria) Proud of Francesville; nine grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; brother, Frank Peelle of Knox; sisters: Kathy Peelle of Knox, Beverly Spradlin of Indianapolis, Margaret Bunkowfst of Knox, and Becky Duncan of Plymouth.

Funeral services are Saturday, March 15 at 11 a.m. at Braman & Son Memorial Chapel, Knox, with visitation half an hour before services. Cremation will take place.

Evelyn Stoneburner  Date of Death 3/8/2008

PLYMOUTH — Evelyn Stoneburner, 85, formerly of Plymouth, died Saturday, March 8 at 7:45 a.m. at Millers Merry Manor of Walkerton.

Stoneburner was born on April 25, 1922, in Polk Township, Marshall County to Chester and Clara (Schmeltz) Thayer. Ray and Evelyn (Thayer) Stoneburner were married on August 10, 1940 and had been married for 65 years at the time of Ray’s passing on March 19, 2006.

Stoneburner was a member of the Tyner United Methodist Church and was a Charter member of the Rebekah Lodge #865, in Tyner.

She is survived by her nephew, Kenneth (Loretta) Barr of Plymouth and her sister, Gladys Sheneman of North Liberty.

She was preceded in death by her husband Ray and her sister Susie.

Visitation will be on Wednesday, March 12 from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth. There will be a Rebekah Lodge service on Wednesday at 7 p.m. after the visitation.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, March 13, at 10:30 a.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home in Plymouth, with the Rev. Michael Dixon officiating.

Burial will be in Tyner Cemetery.

The family requests that memorial contributions be given to the Rebekah Lodge #865, Post Office Box 111, Tyner, IN, 46572.

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

Mayme V. Sult  Date of Death 3/8/2008

WALKERTON — Mayme V. Sult, 97, of Walkerton, formerly of Grovertown, passed away Saturday, March 8 at Millers Merry Manor, Walkerton.

Sult was born March 6, 1911 in Westville and lived in the Grovertown area most of her life. On Dec. 31, 1928 in Donaldson, she was married to Everett E. Sult, who preceded her in death in 1989.
She was also preceded in death by her parents; her son, Kenneth Sult; daughter, Patricia McLaughlin; three grandsons and one great granddaughter.

She is survived by: one son, Dennis Sult of Koontz Lake; six grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; four great-great-grandchildren and two sisters: Ruth Vantilburg and Hazel Hubner, both of LaPorte.

Sult was a cook for many years at Grovertown High School and was a member of the Grovertown United Methodist Church.

Friends may call Thursday from 5 to 8 p.m. and Friday one hour prior to the service.

Funeral services will be Friday at 10 a.m. (CDT) at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel. Burial will take place at Grovertown Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Grovertown United Methodist Church.

Andres Fonseca  Date of Death 3/9/2008

PLYMOUTH — Andres Fonseca, 49, of 121 Louisa St., Plymouth, passed away Sunday, March 9, 2008, at Ironwood Health and Rehabilitation Center in South Bend.

Andres was born on Feb. 17, 1959 in Terry County, Texas, to Israel and Martha (Olivares) Fonseca. He served in the United States Army and had been stationed in Germany. He recently moved back to Plymouth, from Texas, where he had worked in the landscaping business.

Andres was a member of Saint Michael Catholic Church, in Plymouth.

Andres is survived by his children, all of Milwaukee, Wis.; his sons: Vincent R. Fonseca and Andres J. Fonseca; his daughters: Victoria R. Meraz and Jessica I. Fonseca; his mother, Martha Fonseca of Plymouth; his brothers and sisters: Eliazar Fonseca of Plymouth, Rosa Stewart of Plymouth, Roberto Fonseca of Plymouth, Yolanda Fonseca of Lakeville, Lydia Reyna of Fort Worth, Texas, Irene Davies of Mishawaka, and Israel Fonseca Jr. of Plymouth; and 11 grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his father, Israel Fonseca.

A Mass of the Christian Burial will be held on Friday, March 14, 2008 at 11:30 a.m. at Saint Michael Catholic Church in Plymouth, with the Rev. Father William Kummer officiating. Military Honors, for Andres, will be presented by The American Legion Post #27, of Plymouth.

A time of visiting, with the family, will be on Friday, March 14, 2008, from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth.

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

Roberta Beth Karn  Date of Death 3/9/2008

ROCHESTER — Roberta Beth Karn, 87, of Rochester, died Sunday, March 9 at 6:45 a.m. at her home.

She is survived by three children: Richard Karn of Silver Lake, twins Jean (Greg) Halfas of Rochester and Pastor John A. (Sharon) Karn of Greenville; three grandchildren: Eric (Jamie Howton) Halfas, Alicia (Michael) Halfas Scorsone and Gretchen Lynne (Will) Jennings; three great-grandchildren and a sister, Gladys (Eugene) Tully of Fort Wayne.

Visitation will take place on Tuesday, March 11 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Good Family Funeral

PLYMOUTH — Edna P. Taylor, 81, of Plymouth, formerly of Bourbon, died Sunday, March 9, 2008 in Miller’s Merry Manor Nursing Home of Plymouth.

She is survived by sons: Jerry (Pamela) Taylor of Plymouth and Ronald (Barbara) Taylor of Bremen; four grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and sister, Maxine (John) Myers of Plymouth.

There will be no visitation of services. Cremation will take place.

Burial will be in the Pleasant Hill Cemetery at Bourbon at a later date.

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

Lola M. Hartley  Date of Death 3/10/2008

KNOX — Lola M. Hartley, 76, of Golden Living Center, Knox, died March 10, 2008 in Starke Memorial Hospital, Knox.

Survivors include a daughter, Dorothy Snowdon of Hamlet; sons: Gary Hartley of Jacksonville, Fla. and James Hartley of Trinidad, Colo.; six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren; sisters: Eulaila Maxwell and Wanetah Webb, both of Terre Haute, Mary Ward of Indianapolis and Ida Jackson of Nevada.

A memorial service will be scheduled at a later date. Cremation will take place.

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

Richard Philip Hummel  Date of Death 3/10/2008

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. — Richard Philip Hummel, 84, of Chattanooga, Tenn. died March 10, 2008 at Erlanger Hospital, Chattanooga, Tenn.

He is survived by a son, David (Donna) Hummel of Missouri City, Texas; and daughters: Rebecca “Becky” Johnson of Oakdale and Martha Ann (Greg) of Chattanooga, Tenn.

A memorial service will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 12 at the St. Paul Lutheran Church in Woodland, 15697 New Rd., Mishawaka. A lunch and fellowship will follow.
Interment of his cremated remains will take place following the luncheon at noon.

Memorials may be made to the Russian Ministry Association Fund c/o St. Paul Lutheran Church, Woodland, 15697 New Rd., Mishawaka, IN 46544.

The Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen, is assisting with arrangements

Richard Philip Hummel, 84, died Monday, March 10 in Erlanger Hospital, Chattanooga, Tenn.

He is survived by son, David; daughters: Rebecca and Martha; daughter-in-law, Susan Hale Hummel; nine grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Memorial services will be held in May at St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church (Woodland) in Mishawaka.

The Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen, is assisting with arrangements.

Della K. Davis  Date of Death 3/11/2008

SOUTH BEND — Della K. Davis, 82, formerly of South Bend, died at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, March 11, 2008 at the Miller’s Merry Manor in Plymouth.

She is survived by daughters: Patricia J. (Race) Hickman of Lakeville and Nancy A. (Gifford) Torbenson of South Bend; sons: Gerald L. Davis of Lakeville and William E. (Deborah) Davis of Plymouth; 13 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; sisters: Helen (Robert) Strong and Ruby (Clifford) Daniels, both of South Bend; and one sister-in-law, Jean Smith of Colorado.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, March 15 at the Palmer Funeral Home, Lakeville. Graveside services and burial will follow at Southlawn Cemetery, South Bend. Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. on Friday, March 14 at the Palmer Funeral Home, Lakeville.

Memorials may be made to Alzheimer’s Services, 922 E. Colfax, South Bend, IN 46617 or to the charity of the donor’s choice.

Lelia B. Matzat  Date of Death 3/11/2008

NORTH JUDSON — Lelia B. Matzat, 84, of North Judson, died Tuesday, March 11 at home.

She is survived by her husband, Harold Matzat of North Judson; daughters: Jane Radtke of Griffith, Patty Downs of Plymouth and Lois Nielsen of Bremen; son, James Matzat of Castle Rock, Colo.; 10 grandchildren; and one great-grandson.

Visitation is Friday, March 14 from 4 to 8 p.m. CDT at the O’Donnell Funeral Home, North Judson, and after 10 a.m. CDT Saturday, March 15 at the church. Funeral services are Saturday, March 15 at 11 a.m. at Saint Peter Lutheran Church, North Judson.

Burial will be at Highland Cemetery.

Mitchell R. Elsea  Date of Death 3/12/2008

CULVER — Mitchell R. Elsea, 63, of Culver, died on March 12, 2008 at 9:15 p.m. at his home in Burr Oak.

He is survived by his wife, Darlene Elsea of Culver; stepson, Brian K. (Deb) Cites of Nappanee; daughters: Linda Bradford of Plymouth, Michelle (Denver) Annis of Culver and Rebecca (Brian) Shepard of Knox; brothers: Charles Elsea of Kentucky and Thomas Elsea of Nappanee; sisters: Mae Powers and Ollie Polard of Clarksville; seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.
William E. Metcalf  Date of Death 3/12/2008

NORTH WEBSTER – William E. (Bill) Metcalf, 89, of North Webster, died at 8:10 p.m. Wednesday, March 12, 2008 at Grace Village Retirement Community, Winona Lake.

He is survived by: his wife, E. Lunetta Metcalf of Winona Lake; one son, Philip L. (Karilyn) Metcalf of North Webster; six grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; seven step great-grandchildren; and niece, Mrs. Jack (Jenny) Greenlee of Plymouth.

Visitation will be held from 2 to 7 p.m. on Sunday, March 16 at the Owen Family Funeral Home, 1001 S. Huntington St., Syracuse. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. on Monday March 17 at the First Baptist Church of Oswego, 2985 E. Church St., Oswego.

Burial will follow at the Oak Grove Cemetery in North Webster with full military graveside rites by the North Webster American Legion Post 253.

Memorials may be given to the First Baptist Church of Oswego or the North Webster Fire Department. Envelopes are available at the funeral home and church.

Dale M. Bratt  Date of Death 3/13/2008

KNOX — Dale M. Bratt, 67, died March 13, 2008 in Starke Memorial Hospital, Knox.

He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth "Liz" Eckstein; one step-daughter, Sue Heck of Monon; one step-son, Pete Bradley of Knox; six grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; three sisters, June Jeffers, Joy Powers and Doris McCallister, all of Terre Haute; one brother, Darrell Bratt of Michigan.

Brat was a retired employee of G.T.E. and was a U.S. Air Force Veteran and a member of the Knox American Legion.

Visitation took place on Sunday, March 16 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel.

Funeral services will take place on Monday at 11 a.m. (CDT) at the funeral home

Olive Shaffer  Date of Death 3/13/2008

BOURBON — Olive Shaffer, 91, of Bourbon, died Thursday, March 13 at 9:25 p.m. at her daughter’s home.

She was born on Nov. 14, 1916, in Marshall County, Indiana, to Simon and Lillian (Rensberger) Cudney. Olive and Carroll Lotz were married on Nov. 24, 1934. Carroll passed away on Oct. 20, 1944.

Olive also had been married to Clifford Kennedy and Bill Lowry. On Oct. 5, 1986, Olive and Howard Shaffer were married. He preceded her in death.

Shaffer had been a cook at the Golden Grill Restaurant in Plymouth, Chuck and Marie s Restaurant in Plymouth and Mundy’s Restaurant in Plymouth. She enjoyed making quilts for her family.

She belonged to the Blissville Church of the Brethren, Plymouth.

She is survived by her three daughters: Ruth L. Martin of Elkhart, Norma J. Lemler of Bourbon
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and Nancy S. Garbison of LaPaz; a son, Kenneth (Penny) Kennedy of Plymouth; 21 grandchildren; many great-grandchildren and many great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her daughter, Carol; four sisters and three brothers.

Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, March 18, at 2 p.m. at Van Gilder Funeral Home, Plymouth, with the Rev. Dester Cummins officiating.

Burial will be in the Woodlawn Cemetery, Walkerton.

A time of sharing memories with Olive’s Family will be on Monday, March 17, from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Alzheimer’s Association, P.O. Box 4204, South Bend, IN 46601, or to Starke County Hospice.

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

Genevieve M. Hoke  Date of Death 3/14/2008

PLYMOUTH — Genevieve M. Hoke, 93, died at Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth, of natural causes at 1 p.m. on Friday, March 14, 2008.

Born in Chicago on June 30, 1914, she was the daughter of Frank W. and Jenny M. Chamberlain Backus.

When she was 8 years old, the family moved to West Township. She lived there until entering the nursing home in January of 2004.

Genevieve attended Plymouth schools.

On Jan. 31, 1934, in Plymouth, Genevieve and Francis Marion Hoke were married.

A homemaker, she had been a resident of the Plymouth area since 1923, coming from Chicago. Part of a very talented and musical family, Genevieve played the violin, the piano and the accordion.

She enjoyed going to auctions and collecting antiques.

Genevieve is survived by Lorraine Hoke, Plymouth, a daughter-in-law and two grandchildren: Steve (Gail) Hoke, Plymouth and Diana (Roger) Walker of Leiters Ford; a great-granddaughter, Sarah Rakich and two great-grandsons; Ben and Kacy Wright and their son, Addison, of Bremen and Andy Wright and his fiancée Deb Wulliman and their daughter, Raygan Wright, of Warsaw, survive as well.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband and their son, Lyle Hoke.

Friends are invited to celebrate Genevieve’s life with her family from 12 to 2 p.m. on Tuesday, March 18, 2008, at the New Oakhill Chapel, Plymouth.

Funeral services will follow visitation at 2 p.m. The Rev. Charles Krieg will officiate.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts may be made to the Marshall County Humane Society; it was very special to Genevieve.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family via the funeral home website: www.johnson-danielson.com.
Tressie Myers  Date of Death 3/14/2008

THREE RIVERS, Mich. — Tressie Myers, 95, formerly of Marshall County, died Friday, March 14 at Riverview Manor.

She is survived by daughter Marilyn Miller of Three Rivers, son Paul (Verma) Myers of Tulsa, sister Elnora Lackey of Conway, S.C., sister-in-law Ruth Grossman of Rochester, two grandchildren, five great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, March 18 at Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 20 N. Michigan St., Argos.

Services are at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos.

Hohner Funeral Home, Three Rivers, Mich. is in charge of local arrangements.

Helen I. Weber  Date of Death 3/14/2008

BREMEN — Helen I. Weber, 94, of Bremen, died Friday, March 14 at 4:30 a.m. at Bremen Health Care Center of natural causes.

She is survived by a daughter, Millie Goff of Wakarusa; a grandson, Jimmy (Rita) Goff of Wakarusa; a granddaughter, Terri (Charlie) Colbourne of Carmel and two great-grandchildren.

Visitation will take place on Monday, March 17 from 4 to 8 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Woodland and one hour before services Tuesday.

Funeral services will take place Tuesday, March 18 at 11 a.m. at the church with burial to follow at St. Paul Cemetery, Woodland.

Memorials may be made to St. Paul Lutheran Church, Mishawaka, or Bremen Health Care, Bremen.

Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen is handling arrangements.

Condolences may be sent via the Web site at www.mishlerfuneralhomes.com.

Gladys H. Bassett  Date of Death 3/15/2008

LAKEVILLE — Gladys H. Bassett, 100, of St. Paul’s Retirement Community, South Bend, formerly of Lakeville, died at 7:45 a.m. Saturday, March 15, 2008.

She is survived by her daughter, Marijane (Marlin) Debban of Lakeville; her son, John A. (Carol) Bassett of San Ramon, Calif.; five grandchildren: Denise (David) Stephanides of Naperville, Ill., Pamela (Andrew) Hahn of Omaha, Neb., Jeffrey Bassett of Vista, Calif., David (Amy) Bassett of Vista Calif., and Matthew Bassett of San Ramon, Calif.; and two great-grandchildren: Derek and Linnea Bassett.

Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, March 18, 2008 at the Palmer Funeral Home, 314 S. Michigan St., Lakeville, and from 2 to 4 p.m. EDT on Wednesday in the chapel at Acacia Park Cemetery, 7800 W. Irving Park Rd., Chicago. Funeral services will be held at Acacia Park Cemetery with burial following.

Memorial contributions may be made to Miseracordia Children’s Home, 6300 North Ridge Avenue, Chicago, IL 60660-1017, or Young Life Capernaum Ministries, P.O. Box 520, Colorado Springs, CO.
Danny R. Ehlinger  Date of Death 3/15/2008

KNOX — Danny R. Ehlinger, 57, of Knox, died Saturday, March 15 at noon at Starke Memorial Hospital, Knox.

He is survived by his wife, Sharon; two sons: Guy Edward Ehlinger of Manistee, Mich. and Danny Ray Ehlinger Jr. of Constantine, Mich.; a daughter, Shannon Shepherd of Culver; a brother: Donnie (Betty) Ehlinger of Knox and five grandchildren.

Visitation will take place on Tuesday, March 18 from 2 to 8 p.m. (EDT) and one hour before services Wednesday at noon (EDT) at Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver.

Burial will follow at Moon Cemetery, Leiters Ford.

Letters of condolence for the family may be sent via the Web site at www.bonineodom.com.

William Emanuel Huddleston  Date of Death 3/15/2008

ROCHESTER — William “Bill” Emanuel Huddleston, 92, of Rochester, died at 5:51 a.m. Saturday, March 15 at Memorial Hospital, South Bend.

He is survived by a son, Billy (Penney) Huddleston of Rochester; two grandchildren; brother-in-law, Tommy Dean (Patricia) Lytle of Indianapolis; and sister-in-law, Angie (John) Nichols of Rochester.

Memorial services will be at a later date.

The Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, is in charge of the arrangements.

George "Tom" Ferguson  Date of Death 3/17/2008

BREMEN — George "Tom" Ferguson, 58, of Bremen died Monday, March 17 at Memorial Hospital of South Bend.

He is survived by his wife, Penny Ferguson of Bremen; daughter, Kristina (Rich) Vandiver of Bremen, sons: Jeffrey Ferguson, currently serving in the military overseas, Jason Ferguson of Parma, Ohio, and Jonathon Ferguson at home; three grandchildren; three sisters and two brothers.

Visitation will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday, March 20 at the Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen. Cremation will take place following visitation. A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Memorials may be made to The Family Readiness Group (FRG) at the Warsaw Armory or to Community Hospital of Bremen (specifically toward the purchase of comfortable recliners in patient rooms).

Naomi R. Shirk  Date of Death 3/17/2008

ROCHESTER — Naomi R. Shirk, 34, of Rochester, died at 9:13 a.m. Monday, March 17 at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

She is survived by her husband, Titus Shirk of Rochester; parents: Harry and Miriam Weaver of Argos; son, Harlan Shirk; daughters: Delores, Minerva, Ruthann, Kathleen and Anita Shirk; sisters: Martha (LaVern) Martin of Rochester, Rachel (Elson) Martin of Rochester, Eunice (Orvie) Ramer of Wakarusa, Rhoda Weaver of Argos and Joanna Weaver of Argos; and brothers: Jonathan (Margaret) Weaver of Tippecanoe, Nathan (Minerva) Weaver of Argos.
Mathew (Waneta) Weaver of Argos and Andrew (Alice) Weaver of Argos.

Visitation is Wednesday, March 19 from 2 to 8 p.m. in the family home at 749 W. 650 N., Rochester. Funeral services are Thursday, March 20 at 10 a.m. in the Tippecanoe Old Order Mennonite Church, Rochester.

Burial will be at the Tippecanoe Old Order Mennonite Cemetery.

The Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, is in charge of the arrangements.

Artena B. Hedington  Date of Death 3/18/2008

Artena B. Hedington, 96, formerly of Tippecanoe, died Tuesday, March 18 at 12:19 p.m. at Miller’s Merry Manor, Warsaw.

She is survived by daughters: Mary Sparks of Etna Green and Retha (Russell) Hart of Mentone; sons: Delbert (Candace) Hedington of Etna Green, Donald (Betty) Hedington of Warsaw and Jerry (Sandy) Hedington of Tippecanoe; 14 grandchildren; 31 great-grandchildren; and 33 great-great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Friday, March 21 from 3 to 7 p.m. at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone. Funeral services are Saturday, March 22 at 10:30 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at Tippecanoe Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the donor’s choice.

Neva R. Hostetler  Date of Death 3/18/2008

WALKERTON — Neva R. Hostetler, 86, of Walkerton, died Tuesday, March 18 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

She is survived by a son, Wayne (Carol) Hostetler of Plymouth; daughter, Sue (Fred) Williams of South Bend; seven grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

Visitation is Thursday, March 20 from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. at the Nusbaum-Elkin Funeral Home, Walkerton. Funeral services are Friday, March 21 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will follow at Eastlawn Cemetery, North Liberty.

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

Brennan Munday  Date of Death 3/18/2008

Brennan Munday, 2, formerly of Plymouth, died Tuesday, March 18, 2008.

He is survived by his parents: Kelly and Mike Munday of Plymouth; grandfather, Ronald Smith of Plymouth; paternal grandparents, Terry and Linda Munday of Marion, great-grandmother, Elyse Passwello; Uncles: Ronald Smith of Crown Point, Douglas (Traci) Munday of Marion; Aunts: Carmen Paguada of Plymouth, Lynn Munday of Marion, Shelli (Don) Rowley and 14 cousins.

The funeral service will be held Tuesday, March 25 at 9:15 a.m. CST at Burns Funeral Home, 10101 Broadway, Crown Point, going to Our Lady of Consolation Catholic Church, 8303 Taft St., Merrillville, for a Mass of Christian Burial at 10 a.m. CST with Rev. Joseph E. Vamos, officiating. Visitation is at the funeral home on Monday, March 24 from 4 to 8 p.m. Interment will be at Burr Oak Cemetery, Culver.

Memorial contributions may be made to Riley Hospital for Children, 50 S. Meridian St., Ste. 500, Indianapolis, IN 46209-6378 or to the March of Dimes.
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Donna L. Perkins  Date of Death 3/18/2008

PLYMOUTH — Donna L. Perkins, 67, a resident or Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth, died of natural causes in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, South Bend, at 1:52 p.m. on Tuesday, March, 18, 2008.

Donna was born in Oakland, Calif., the daughter of Lowell Q. and Barbara D. Farrington Burbank on May 29, 1940.

She and Ernest Perkins were married in 1958, Ernest died on May 10, 2006.

A homemaker, Donna had lived in the Marshall County area since 1965.

She enjoyed cross-stitching, playing bingo, sewing and spending time with her family.

Donna is survived by two daughters and two sons. They are Joanna and Victor Weldy, Bremen; Barbara and Clyde Lohse, Argos; Ernest and Dianne Perkins Jr., South Bend and Ricky and Debbie Perkins, Wakarusa.

A sister, Mary Dahlberg of Kimberly, Idaho and a brother, Dean Dahlberg of California, also survive together with 15 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren and six great–great-grandchildren.

Donna was preceded in death by her parents, her husband and two brothers, Jessie Dahlberg and Gary Burbank and a sister Molly Potter.

Friends will be welcomed by Donna’s family from noon to 2 p.m. on Thursday, March 20, 2008, at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services, officiated by Steven Patrick will be held at 2 p.m., following visitation, in the funeral home.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Donna’s memory may be made to the Cancer or Diabetes associations.

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

David Thompson  Date of Death 3/18/2008

PLYMOUTH — David “Dave” Thompson, 57, of Plymouth, died Tuesday, March 18 in Louisville, Ky. as the result of an accident.

He is survived by his wife, Rachel Thompson of Plymouth; daughters: Faith (Tony) Gamble of Plymouth, Robin (Mike) Klaker of Illinois and Rhonda Antich of Argos; sons: David (Brandi) Thompson of Arizona and Jason Antich of Argos; eight grandchildren; sister, Patricia Kline of Plymouth; and a brother, Ronald (Melodie) Thompson of Rochester.

Visitation is Monday, March 24 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, and after 7 a.m. Tuesday. Funeral services are Tuesday, March 25 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at the Tyner Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Riley Hospital for Children.

Flora Rangle  Date of Death 3/19/2008
BREMEN — Flora Rangel, 15, of Bremen, died Wednesday, March 19 at Riley Hospital for Children.

She is survived by her parents, Mario and Ma Guadalupe (Garcia) Rangel; brothers: Javier (Laura) Rangel of Bremen, Emanuuel Rangel, at home and Miguel Rangel, at home; sisters: Maria Rangel and Maricruz Rangel, both at home; and grandparents: Manuel and Adela Rangel and Hijinio Garcia.

Visitation is Friday, March 21 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen. Funeral services are Saturday, March 22 at 1:30 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at the Bremen Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to “Benefit of Flora Rangel” in care of First Federal Savings Bank, 206 W. Plymouth, Bremen, IN 46506.

Esther Melba Zink  Date of Death 3/20/2008

ARGOS — Esther Melba Zink, 93, of Argos, died at 4:35 a.m. Thursday, March 20 at Pilgrim Manor, Plymouth.

She is survived by many nieces and nephews.

Graveside funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Friday, March 21 at the Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Argos Public Library, 119 W. Walnut St., Argos, IN 46501.

The Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos, is in charge of the arrangements.

Janna K. Miller  Date of Death 3/21/2008

PLYMOUTH — Janna K. Miller, 20, of Plymouth, passed away Friday, March 21, 2008, at 4:55 p.m. at her home, in the arms of her mother and father, with her family by her side.

Miller was born on Sept. 16, 1987, in South Bend, to Rick and Barbara (Leonard) Miller. She was a gift from God and was truly an angel on earth. She adored her family and was loved by so many people.

She is survived by her parents, Rick and Barbara Miller; two brothers, Rick Miller and Rob Miller, both at home; paternal grandparents, V. Richard and Jane Miller of Syracuse, and maternal grandmother, Iona Leonard of Plymouth.

She was preceded in death by her maternal grandfather, John Leonard; a sister, Emily Ann Miller; an uncle, Rob Miller and cousins Dustin Easley and Phil Pearson.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday, March 25, at 11 a.m., at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, Plymouth, with the Rev. Father William Kummer officiating. Burial will be at New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Family and friends are invited to visit with the Miller family, Monday, March 24, from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth.

Memorial contributions may be given to the JESSE Corporation, Marshall-Starke Development Center, 1901 Pidco Drive, Plymouth, IN, 46563, or to the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, 112 S. Center St., Plymouth, IN, 46563.

Friends may sign the guest book and share memories with the Miller Family at
PLYMOUTH — Janna K. Miller, 20, of Plymouth, passed away Friday, March 21, 2008, at 4:55 p.m. at her home, in the arms of her mother and father, with her family by her side. Miller was born on September 16, 1987, in South Bend, to Rick and Barbara (Leonard) Miller. She was a gift from God and was truly an angel on earth. She adored her family and was loved by so many people.

She is survived by her parents, Rick and Barbara Miller; two brothers, Rick Miller and Rob Miller, both at home; paternal grandparents, V. Richard and Jane Miller of Syracuse, and maternal grandmother, Iona Leonard of Plymouth.

She was preceded in death by her maternal grandfather, John Leonard; a sister, Emily Ann Miller; an uncle, Rob Miller and cousins Dustin Easley and Phil Pearson.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday, March 25, at 11 a.m., at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, Plymouth, with the Rev. Father William Kummer officiating. Burial will be at New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Family and friends are invited to visit with the Miller family, Monday, March 24, from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth.

Memorial contributions may be given to the JESSE Corporation, Marshall-Starke Development Center, 1901 Pidco Drive, Plymouth, IN, 46563, or to the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, 112 South Center St., Plymouth, IN, 46563.

Friends may sign the guest book and share memories with the Miller Family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com.

Geraldine Wendel  Date of Death 3/21/2008

Geraldine Wendel, 78, passed away quietly on March 21, 2008 at the Catherine Kasper Home in Donaldson.

Gerry was born to the union of an Irish Immigrant mother and American father, Lyle and Mary Ellen (O’Connell) Morgan on Nov. 29, 1929 in Benwood, W. Va.

Gerry moved to Plymouth in 1966 with her five children, following her sister and brother-in-law, Jim and Marie Johanning. Gerry was very proudly employed for more than 25 years at the American Optical Corporation, Plymouth, as a Lab Technician and leaves behind many dear friends from her days there. She spent her days raising her children, relishing in their accomplishments, celebrating their successes, and watching her grandchildren and great-grandchild grow.

An avid Notre Dame Football and Basketball fan, many a fall afternoon saw her rooting on, her Fighting Irish, either in her living room or attending the games with her niece and nephew, Joyce and Ron Vogler

Geraldine was a member of Saint Michael Catholic Church, Saint Michael’s Altar Rosary Society, The Harvest House, and a frequent volunteer at the Marshall County Neighborhood Center, until her health would not allow it.

Gerry was the proud mother of five children: Dr. Kathleen and James Jones of Hereford, Ariz.; Donald and Michele Wendel and their children, Valerie and Joseph Medema, and their daughter Brooke of Kalamazoo, Mich., Laura and Zach Scott of South Bend, and Stacey Wendel of Plymouth; John and Susan Wendel and their children, Jared Wendel and Jordan Wendel of Plymouth; Paul Wendel and his daughter Olivia Wendel of Plymouth; and Phillip Wendel of Atlanta, Ga. Also surviving are her two brothers: Robert and Rita Morgan of Wheeling, W. Va., and Leo and Linda Morgan of Wheeling; and her sister-in-law, Marjorie Morgan of Wheeling.
Gerry was preceded in death by her parents; her brothers: Fr. Leo Morgan, Bernard Morgan, Joseph Morgan, Paul Morgan, and Walter Morgan all of Wheeling; her sister, Marie Johanning of Plymouth; and her grandson Garrett Wendel of Plymouth.

A Mass of the Christian Burial will be on Monday, MARCH 31, 2008, at 11 a.m., at Saint Michael Catholic Church, 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 Sunday, MARCH 30, 2008, from 4 to 8 p.m. with Rosary at 7:30 p.m.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Catherine Kasper Life Center or to Saint Michael Catholic Church.

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

David F. Whaley  Date of Death 3/21/2008

SOUTH BEND — David F. Whaley, 73, died Friday, March 21, 2008.

He is survived by his wife, Marilyn; a daughter, Nancy Jo Whaley of Mishawaka; two stepsons: Joseph A. (Kathy) Romano Jr. of Goshen, and Bryan K. Romano of Plymouth; five grandchildren; brother, William A. (Ethel) Whaley of LaPaz; two sisters-in-law: Ruth Whaley of Lakeville, and Mary Ann Higginbotham of Long Beach, Calif.; and mother-in-law, Alyce Procaccino of South Bend.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, March 28 in the Christian Center Cathedral of Praise, 530 E. Ireland Rd. South Bend. Burial will follow in Southlawn Cemetery, South Bend. Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday, March 27, 2008 in the Palmer Funeral Home-Guisinger Chapel, 3718 S. Michigan St., South Bend, and one hour prior to the services on Friday in the church.

Memorials may be made to the Christian Center Cathedral of Praise.

Martha B. Garbison  Date of Death 3/22/2008

KNOX — Martha B. Garbison, 83, of Knox, died Saturday, March 22 at her home.

She is survived by her children: Agnes Middaugh of Seattle, Wash., Sandy Craft of Knox, Rhonda Tunis of North Judson, Gail Stepp of Winamac and Danny Garbison of Hanna; 17 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren.

Visitation will take place on Monday, March 24 from 4 to 8 p.m. at M.C. Smith Funeral Home, Knox.

Funeral services will take place on Tuesday, March 25 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will take place at Bass Lake Cemetery.

Donabelle Millbern Kuntz  Date of Death 3/22/2008

Mrs. Donnabelle Millbern Kuntz, 86, of Miller’s Merry Manor Nursing Home, Plymouth, formerly of Bourbon, died Saturday, March 22, 2008 in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center of Plymouth.

She is survived her two sons and their wives: Jerry and Sandra Kuntz of Bourbon and Hal and
Patricia Kuntz of South Bend; two grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and a sister-in-law, Elizabeth Millbern of Lakeland, Fla.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, March 26 at 10:30 a.m. in Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, Bourbon. Visitation is from 5 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, in the funeral home. Burial will follow in the Pleasant Hill Cemetery at Bourbon.

Carol E. Williams  Date of Death 3/22/2008

KNOX — Carol E. Williams, 57, of Knox, died Saturday, March 22, 2008.

She is survived by her husband, John B. Williams; children: Regina Sliter and Jeffrey Sliter, both of Elkhart, John B. Williams Jr. and Angel R. (Terry) Pletka, both of Knox; siblings: Dennis Saygers of Texas, David Saygers of Plymouth, Eva Richard of South Bend and Debbie Richard of South Bend; and eight grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held Thursday, March 27 at 1 p.m. CDT at the Full Gospel Assembly Church in Knox.

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

Oscar Winkelman  Date of Death 3/22/2008

KOONTZ LAKE — Oscar Winkelman, 79, of Koontz Lake, died Saturday, March 22, 2008, in his home.

He is survived by three sisters: Betty Summerlott of Koontz Lake, Paula Wing of Stillwell and Lillian Airhart of Lafayette; one brother, Paul Winkelman of Lewiston, Idaho; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. CDT at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel. Visitation is Wednesday from 11 a.m. CDT until the time of services.

Burial will take place at Woodlawn Cemetery in Walkerton.

Thomas Walter Zellers  Date of Death 3/22/2008


He is survived by his Wife, Robin; three sons: Travis Zellers of Indianapolis, Brett Zellers of Plymouth and Kyle Zellers at home; a Daughter, Misty Kough of Koontz Lake; mother, Marcella Zellers of Winamac; a sister, Carolyn Bondurant of Wyatt; two Brothers, Chuck Zellers and George (Lurch) Zellers, both of Winamac and four grandchildren.

Friends may visit Tuesday from 2 p.m. (EDT) until the time of services at the funeral home.

Funeral services will be Tuesday at 6 p.m. (EDT) at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel. Cremation will take place at a later date.

Memorial contributions, in lieu of flowers, may be given to the Rannells Funeral Home.

Herman Hueni  Date of Death 3/23/2008

BREMEN — Herman “Jack” Hueni, 70, of Bremen, died at 6:26 p.m. Sunday, March 23 at Memorial Hospital of South Bend.

He is survived by his wife, Marlene of Bremen; daughter, Michelle (Ron) Grove of Bremen; son,
Micah Hueni of Bremen; three granddaughters; and two brothers: Robert (Letty) Hueni of Bremen and Herbert (Phyllis) Hueni of Osceola.

Visitation is Wednesday, March 26 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. at the Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen. Funeral services are Thursday, March 27 at 10 a.m. at the Nappanee Missionary Church. Burial will be at the Bremen Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to Nappanee Missionary Church, 70417 S.R. 19, Nappanee, IN 46550, or the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, 941 E. 86th St., Suite 100, Indianapolis, IN 46240.

Wanda E. Lotter  Date of Death 3/23/2008


She is survived by two daughters: Jessica (Lloyd) Kirby of Pittsboro, Ind. and Elizabeth (Tom) Lawrence of Hamlet; a son, Matthew (Christine) Lotter of Hamlet; 10 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren; a sister, Joan (William) Wakal of Knox.

Visitation will take place on Tuesday from 4 to 8 p.m. (CDT) at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel and Wednesday at the church after 10 a.m. until the time of services.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, March 26 at 11 a.m. (CDT) at St. Matthew Lutheran Church, Hamlet.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church or The Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, 111 Sunnybrook Court, South Bend, IN 46637.

Margaret Maxine Olson  Date of Death 3/23/2008

PLYMOUTH — Margaret Maxine Olson, 67, 15405 Tuxedo Drive, died of natural causes in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth, having fought a courageous eight-year battle against an incurable lung condition, at 10:03 p.m. on Sunday, March 23, 2008.

An attractive, intelligent, vibrant woman with a lot of determination and a great sense of humor, Margaret was born on Aug. 14, 1940, in Princeton, Minn. She was the daughter of Andrew and Audrey Maxine Pogue Bullis.

She graduated from Princeton High School and earned her B.S. from Saint Cloud State University in 1962.

Margaret and her high school sweetheart, Richard Olson, were married in Princeton on July 18, 1958.

A teacher for 32 years, she first taught school in Lewiston, Minn., then in St. Paul. She taught math and science for 13 years at LaVille High School, before resigning in 1996.

With more free time, she turned her energies to her passion, genealogy research. Self-taught on the computer, she helped many of her friends learn the system.

She loved to travel and made several trips to England and Ireland.

She was a woodworker, building furniture and creating detailed doll houses for her granddaughters. She did tole painting and was an expert in various needle crafts.

Margaret liked to sing and played the piano with ease. She was an excellent bridge player and competed in championship flights of golf at the Plymouth Country Club where she was a member for more than 20 years.
The Olsons have three little dogs that she loved very much: Tia, Misty and Maggie, will miss her tremendously.

Margaret is survived by Dick, her husband of 49 years and by their four children, 13 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Her children and grandchildren are: Lisa (Tim) Miller, Plymouth and their children, Diedra, Connor and Bryce; Kristi (Kevin) Schmidt, Lake Mills, Wis., and their children, Kyle, Owen, Caitlin and Bethany; Steven (Kitty) Olson, Indianapolis, and their children, Cheyenne, Megan and Sierra and Kari (Joe) Englert, Cincinnati, Ohio, and their children, Lauren, Kelsey and Tyler.

Also surviving are two sisters: Andi Lou (Rick) Dahle, Clear Lake, Wis. And Dru Ann (Andrew) Faith, St. Cloud, Minn.

Margaret was preceded in death by her parents.

Friends are invited to share memories and celebrate the life and courage of Margaret Maxine Olson on Wednesday, March 26, 2008, from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Margaret will follow visitation at 4 p.m. in the funeral home.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorials in Margaret’s name may be made to the Boys and Girls Club of Marshall County.

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

Ronald W. Wautelet Date of Death 3/23/2008

PLYMOUTH — Ronald W. Wautelet, 63, of Plymouth, Indiana, died Sunday, March 23, 2008, at 4:15 p.m. at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, South Bend.

He is survived by his mother, Mable Wautelet of Los Angeles, Calif.; his brother, John (Susan) Wautelet of Plymouth; and his sister, Beverly Metza of Los Angeles.

Graveside services will be held Saturday at 1 p.m. at the Englewood Park Cemetery in California

Van Gilder Funeral Home, Plymouth, is handling the local arrangements.

Barbara Ann (Fisher-Weaver) Ort Date of Death 3/24/2008

LAKELAND, Fla. — Barbara Ann (Fisher-Weaver) Ort, 72, of Lakeland, Fla., died Monday, March 24, 2008 at Good Shepherd Hospice Center, Auburndale, Fla.

She is survived by her husband, Harry Ort of Lakeland, Fla.; daughters: Jan Hanson of South Bend, Cathy McCullough and Heidi Karason of Lakeland, Fla.; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; sisters: Jacqueline (Douglas) Cultice of Argos and Marjorie (Dennis) Cook of Winter Park, Fla.; and brother, Edward (Chris) Fisher of Canton, Texas.

A private family memorial service will be held.

Memorial contributions may be made to Good Shepherd Hospice; 105 Arneson Ave., Auburndale, FL 33823.
Viola "Jean" Miller  Date of Death 3/26/2008

ARGOS — Viola "Jean" Miller, 74, of Argos, died at 1:10 p.m. Wednesday, March 26 at Life Care Center of Rochester.

She is survived by daughters: Nina (Joe) Hodges of Bald Knob, Ark., Susan Miller of Yorba Linda, Calif., Mary (Danny) Conley of Argos, Brenda (David) Rowe of Hemet, Calif., Melissa (Duane) Littlejohn of Nucla, Colo. And Rebecca Miller of Argos; sons: James Morack of Nucla, Colo., Roger (Annie) Miller of New Richmond and John Miller of Nucla, Colo.; sisters: Dolly (Glen) Shireman of Loudenville, Ohio, Lorraine Balentine of Mojave, Calif. And Laura (Richard) Anderson of Carrington, Minn.; brother, John Alloway; 24 grandchildren; 37 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

Private family services were held at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Burial will take place at a later date.

Sister Helen Wojciechowicz  Date of Death 3/26/2008

Sister Helen Wojciechowicz, 67, died at 12:30 a.m. on Wednesday, March 26, 2008, at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

She is survived by a sister, Phyllis (Jim) Bistyak; a brother, Leo (Mary) Wojciechowicz, and her nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be from 4:30 to 9 p.m. on Thursday, March 27 in the Catherine Kasper Home Chapel.

The Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11:30 a.m. on Friday, March 28 in the Catherine Kasper Home Chapel.

Burial will be in Mount Carmel Cemetery, Donaldson.

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

Nancy E. Jaynes  Date of Death 3/27/2008

PLYMOUTH — Nancy E. Jaynes, age 53, of 932 S. Angel St., Plymouth, passed away at 1:05 p.m. Thursday, March 27, 2008, at home, surrounded by her family.

Nancy was born on July 5, 1954, in Indianapolis, Indiana, to Lewis “Jack” and Ethel (Howard) Jaynes.

Nancy graduated from Ball State University, in Muncie, Indiana, and was a member of Pi Beta Phi Sorority. She was an inactive member of the Beta Delta Chapter of Tri Kappa, Plymouth, and a member of the Plymouth Wesleyan Church.

Nancy loved teaching high school, and had been a teacher in the Family and Consumer Sciences Department, for 30 years, at Plymouth High School, serving as Department Chair, for many of those years.

Nancy was first diagnosed with breast cancer in 1998. She was a tireless leader in the fight against breast cancer, volunteering countless hours to the cause, including speaking to groups across the state. In 2002, she founded the nonprofit organization, IBCAT (Indiana Breast Cancer Awareness Trust), and conceived Indiana’s breast cancer specialty license plate, with the help of her friends. She was a member of the Board of Directors of that trust. The specialty license plate is available through all branches of Indiana’s Bureau of Motor Vehicles. All profits from the
sale of the breast cancer license plate, promote education and awareness of breast cancer prevention, to the citizens in the state of Indiana.

Nancy was selected to carry the Olympic Torch, in January 2004, running a short distance through the streets of Fort Wayne, Indiana, as it passed through Northern Indiana, on its way to Salt Lake City, Utah, for the XIX Olympic Winter Games.

Nancy’s story, Dancing at Evan’s Wedding, was published in the book, Chicken Soup for the Breast Cancer Survivor’s Soul, in 2006.

Nancy loved her three boys, her family, her friends, her students, and God. She had a tremendous amount of faith that sustained her throughout her long journey through her cancer. Her loving smile lit up a room, and after meeting her, even once, you were a part of her tender and caring heart forever. She loved working on “projects” with her dad and learned a lot from him, as they worked side by side.

During her illness, her family and friends were right by her side, supporting her in any way they could. She was overwhelmed, and humbled, by the love, cards, prayers, and other ways people reached out to her, during her illness and treatments.

Nancy is survived by her mother, Ethel Jaynes of Donaldson; her sons, who were the love of her life, Chas Glaub and his friend Monica of Newport Beach, Calif., Matthew Glaub and his fiancée Michelle and their daughter, Maggie of Plymouth, and Evan Glaub at home; her loving and caring brother, David and Mary Anne Jaynes of Indianapolis; her niece, Maria Jaynes of Indianapolis; and her nephew, Daniel Jaynes of Indianapolis. Nancy also leaves behind many dear friends and of course her many, many, students, whose lives were touched in a positive way by having her as their teacher. She was preceded in death by her father, Lewis “Jack” Jaynes.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, April 5, at 1 p.m. at Plymouth High School, with the Rev. Al Kundenreich officiating.

A time of visiting and sharing memories of Nancy, with her family and friends, will be on Friday, April 4, 2008, at the Plymouth High School Multi-Purpose Room (enter on the north side of the school) from 5 to 8 p.m. and Saturday, April 5, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The family would like for memorial contributions to be given to the Nancy Jayne's Scholarship Fund, c/o The Marshall County Foundation, 2701 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, IN, 46563.

The Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, IN, 46563, has been entrusted with the arrangements.

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

PLYMOUTH — Nancy E. Jaynes, 53, of 932 S. Angel St., Plymouth, passed away at 1:05 p.m. on Thursday, March 27, 2008, at home, surrounded by her family.

Nancy was born on July 5, 1954, in Indianapolis, to Lewis "Jack" and Ethel (Howard) Jaynes.

Nancy graduated from Ball State University, in Muncie, and was a member of Pi Beta Phi Sorority. She was an inactive member of the Beta Delta Chapter of Tri Kappa, Plymouth, and a member of the Plymouth Wesleyan Church.

Nancy loved teaching high school, and had been a teacher in the Family and Consumer Sciences Department, for 30 years, at Plymouth High School, serving as Department Chair, for many of those years.

Nancy was first diagnosed with breast cancer in 1998. She was a tireless leader in the fight against breast cancer, volunteering countless hours to the cause, including speaking to groups across the state. In 2002, she founded the nonprofit organization, IBCAT (Indiana Breast Cancer Awareness Trust), and conceived Indiana’s breast cancer specialty license plate, with the help of
her friends. She was a member of the Board of Directors of that trust. The specialty license plate is available through all branches of Indiana’s Bureau of Motor Vehicles. All profits from the sale of the breast cancer license plate, promote education and awareness of breast cancer prevention, to the citizens in the State of Indiana. Since the inception of these plates, 30,000 plates have been sold, $750,000 in funds has generated, $450,000 has been granted to the IBCAT Mission.

Nancy was selected to carry the Olympic Torch, in January 2004, running a short distance through the streets of Fort Wayne, as it passed through Northern Indiana, on its way to Salt Lake City, Utah, for the XIX Olympic Winter Games.


Nancy loved her three boys, her family, her friends, her students, and God. She had a tremendous amount of faith that sustained her throughout her long journey through her cancer. Her loving smile lit up a room, and after meeting her, even once, you were a part of her tender and caring heart forever. She loved working on “projects” with her dad and learned a lot from him, as they worked side by side.

During her illness, her family and friends were right by her side, supporting her in any way they could. She was overwhelmed, and humbled, by the love, cards, prayers, and other ways people reached out to her, during her illness and treatments.

Nancy is survived by her devoted mother, Ethel Jaynes of Donaldson; her sons, who were the love of her life, Chas Glaub and his girlfriend, Monica of Newport Beach, Calif., Matthew Glaub and his fiancée Michelle and their daughter, Maggie of Plymouth, and Evan Glaub at home; her loving and caring brother, David and Mary Anne Jaynes of Indianapolis; her special niece, Maria Jaynes of Indianapolis; and her special nephew, Daniel Jaynes of Indianapolis. Nancy also leaves behind many dear friends and of course her many, many, students, whose lives were touched in a positive way by having her as their teacher. She was preceded in death by her father, Lewis “Jack” Jaynes.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, April 5, 2008, at 1 p.m. at The Plymouth High School Auditorium, (ENTER ON THE NORTH SIDE OF THE SCHOOL) with the Rev. Al Kundenreich officiating.

A time of visiting and sharing memories of Nancy, with her family and friends, will be on Friday, April 4, 2008, at the Plymouth High School Multi-Purpose Room (ENTER ON THE NORTH SIDE OF THE SCHOOL) from 5 to 8 p.m. and Saturday, April 5, 2008, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Plymouth High School Auditorium (ENTER ON THE NORTH SIDE OF THE SCHOOL).

The family would like for memorial contributions to be given to the Nancy Jayne’s Scholarship Fund, c/o The Marshall County Foundation, 2701 North Michigan Street, Plymouth, IN, 46563.

The Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, IN, 46563, has been entrusted with the arrangements.

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

William C. Mallers Date of Death 3/27/2008

KNOX — William C. “Bill” Mallers, 82, a former Bluffton resident, living at Bass Lake, died in the Porter Community Hospital, Valparaiso, on Thursday, March 27, 2008, at 6:38 p.m.

Bill is survived by his wife; five children: sons are Phil C. (Sue) Mallers of Crown Point and children; Chris, Todd and Brad with (great-grandson) Landon, Charles E. Mallers of Knox and
children; Kimberly, Justin, Paul and Scott. Daughters are: Kathy J. (Paul) Kachanoski of Columbus, Ind. and son; Joel. Becky L. (Jack) Black of Park Forest, Ill. and children; Carrie and R P. and Julie A. (Bob) Boczek, Glenview, Ill. and children; Mallery and Brant; a sister, Martha Jane Pautsch, Estero, Fla.; and a brother, James C. and Pat (Thoma) Mallers, Fort Wayne.

Visitation is Thursday, April 3 from 3 to 9 p.m. EST at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Friday, April 4, 2008 at 11 a.m. EST or 10 a.m. CST., at St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Student Center, 1509 LaPorte Ave., Valparaiso.

Interment will be in the Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery of Elwood, Ill.

Memorial gifts in Bill’s memory may be made to the Multiple Sclerosis Foundation, Knox V.F.W. Post or St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church of Knox.

Robert Whitsel  Date of Death 3/27/2008

BREMEN — Robert Whitsel, 68, of Bremen, died on Thursday, March 27, 2008, at Valley Medical Center in Las Vegas, Nev.

Survivors include his wife, Martha Whitsel of Bremen; sons: Blane (Irina) Whitesel of Mishawaka and Shane (Kim) Whitsel of Bremen; one granddaughter; two step-grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; mother, Velvoice Whitsel of Bremen; and sisters: Barbara Crothers of Bremen, Marcia Osterbur of Bremen, Helen (Keith) Bellman of Bremen and Katie Delong of Bryon, Ohio.

Services will be held Friday, April 4 at 10:30 a.m. at Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen. Burial will take place at Bremen Cemetery. Visitation is Thursday, April 3 from 3 to 8 p.m. at the funeral home where a Fireman Memorial Service will be held at 7:30 p.m.

Memorial contributions may be give to the Community Hospital of Bremen or the Bremen Volunteer Fire Department

Sidney Eugene Albertsen  Date of Death 3/28/2008

WALKERTON — Sidney Eugene Albertsen, 52, of Walkerton, passed away Friday, March 28, 2008 in St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

He is survived by one brother, Leslie Albertsen of Walkerton; four sisters: Anita Green of Elkhart, Amy Thorne of Denver, N.C., Alma Stone of Deridder, L.A. and Angela Albertsen of Clinton, Ind.

A memorial service will be held at a later date. Cremation has taken place. Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel is handling arrangements.

Margaret L. (Barnard) Peregrine  Date of Death 3/29/2008

PLYMOUTH — Margaret L. (Barnard) Peregrine, 92, of Plymouth, died at 3:15 p.m. on Saturday, March 29, 2008, in Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth.

She is survived by a daughter, Diane (James) Day of Bloomington; son, Stephen D. Barnard of Indianapolis; five grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held in St. Michael Roman Catholic Church, 613 N. Center St., Plymouth, on Wednesday, April 2 at 11 a.m.

Entombment will be in the New Oakhill Mausoleum, Plymouth.
Memorial gifts may be made to Riley Hospital for Children in honor of Brayden Day.

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

**Beverly Jean Sult  Date of Death 3/29/2008**

PLYMOUTH — Beverly Jean Sult, 77, of Plymouth, formerly of South Bend, passed away at 3:50 p.m. Saturday, March 29, 2008 at Miller’s Merry Manor-Plymouth. She was born on Jan. 28, 1931 in South Bend to Claude and Ruby Louise (Althouse) Pierce and was a lifelong resident. She was preceded in death by her husbands, William Edward Thompson and Alvin Sult; her granddaughter, Kristy Lee Andersen; and sister, Virginia Vida.

Mrs. Sult is survived by her daughter, Pam (Roy) Andersen of Plymouth; four sons: Jerry Thompson of South Bend, Charlie Thompson of Clarksville, Tenn., Jeff (Jackie Masterson) Thompson of La Porte and Alvin Loy Sult, Jr. of Westville; stepdaughter, Cindy Short of New Carlisle; two stepsons: Paul (Debbie) Sult of New Carlisle and Mark Sult. Also surviving are 10 grandchildren; 18 great grandchildren; three sisters: Carolyn Paris of Port Richey, Fla., Nancy Vida and Pat (Joe) Laskowski both of South Bend; and three brothers: Johnny Pierce of Alabama, Leo Pierce of Walkerton and Claude (Evelyn) Pierce Jr. of Lydick.

Mrs. Sult retired in 1981 from Easy Heat. She loved to play bingo; was an avid NASCAR and country music fan; and was a doll collector.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, April 3, 2008 at Palmer Funeral Home-River Park, 2528 Mishawaka Ave., South Bend. Pastor Rustin Krapfl of Sunrise Chapel, Plymouth will officiate. Graveside services and burial will follow in Riverview Cemetery, South Bend. The family will receive friends from 5 to 8 p.m. Wednesday and one hour prior to services on Thursday in the funeral home.

Contributions in memory of Beverly Jean Sult may be made to Women’s Care Center, 224 N. Michigan St, Plymouth, IN 46563 or to Sunrise Chapel, 11802 Lincoln Highway, Plymouth, IN 46563.

**Ernest G. "Bud" Ricks  Date of Death 3/30/2008**

WALKERTON — Ernest G. "Bud" Ricks, 80, of Walkerton, died Sunday, March 30, 2008 in his home after an illness. Ricks was born December 28, 1927 in Francesville, Ind. to Chester and Blanch (Archer) Ricks and lived in the area most of his life.

He is survived by his wife, Nancy; five children: Sherry Lynn (Chuck) Eaton of Union Mills, Doug (Nancy) Ricks of Walkerton, Brett Ricks of Union Mills, Tammy J. Ricks of Walkerton and Marlene (Marshall) Sherland of Walkerton; six grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren; a brother, Kenneth (Mary) Ricks of Leiters Ford; a sister, Betty Daugherty of Sebring, Fla. Visitation will take place Wednesday from 4 to 8 p.m. (CDT) and Thursday after 9 a.m. until the time of services at the funeral home.

Funeral services will be Thursday at 10 a.m. (CDT) at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel. Burial will be in the New Carlisle Cemetery, where military graveside services will be conducted. Memorial contributions may be given to the American Cancer Society or the American Lung Association.

**Luella "June" Riley  Date of Death 3/30/2008**

PLYMOUTH — Luella “June” Riley, 81, of Plymouth died Sunday, March 30, 2008 in Crestview, Fla.

She is survived by her husband, Warren J. McCullough; and daughters: Sandra Louderback of North Liberty and Cindy Sheaks of Walkerton.
Funeral services will be Saturday, April 5 at 2 p.m. EDT at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel. Burial will be in the Grovertown Cemetery. Visitation is Saturday from 11 a.m. EDT until the time of services at the funeral home.

Ruth A. Annis  Date of Death 3/31/2008

LAKEVILLE — Ruth A. Annis, 86, of Plymouth, formerly of Lakeville, died at 5:05 a.m. Monday, March 31, 2008 in Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth.

She is survived by daughters: Joanne (Roger) Sauer of Lakeville, Susie (Lyle) Haas of Lakeville, Mary (Paul) Davis of Lakeville and Revonda Denney of Plymouth; sons: Russell (Judy) Annis of Columbus, Ohio, Richard (Debra) Annis of Mishawaka, and Shawn (Jackie) Annis of Mishawaka; 50 grandchildren; 64 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren; and a brother, James (Ellen) Burks of Glasgow, Ky.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, April 4 in the Palmer Funeral Home, 314 S. Michigan St., Lakeville. Burial will follow in Southlawn Cemetery, South Bend. Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday, April 3 in the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the American Diabetes Association, 7363 E. 21st. St., Indianapolis, IN 46219 or American Heart Association, 3816 Payshere Circle, Chicago, IL 60674.

Adaline Louise Kucera  Date of Death 3/31/2008

PLYMOUTH — Adaline Louise Kucera, 501 Pennsylvania Ave., Plymouth, died of natural causes on Monday, March 31, 2008. She was 78-years-old and had lived in the Marshall County area for 57 years.

Adaline was born on April 24, 1929, in Wanatah. She was the daughter of Jewels Warren and Lela Hancock Steinberg.

Adaline graduated from Knox High School in 1948.

She and Douglas Milan Kucera were married, Douglas died in 1987.

Adaline worked at the Shirt Shed in Culver and Grants and Ben Franklin stores in Plymouth.

She was a member of AARP and Women’s Connection.

Two daughters and three sons survive Adaline.

Her daughters are Rebecca (Allen) Wade, Plymouth and Susan Bruneau, Carol Stream, Ill., and her sons are Douglas (Linda) Kucera, Gary Kucera, all of Plymouth and Gregory (Trina) Kucera, Lafayette, Tenn.

A sister, Dorothy Singleton, Knox, survives as well, along with nine grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren.

A sister-in-law, Leona Steinberg, Lansing, Ill. and a brother-in-law, William (Pat) Kucera, Seminole, Fla. also survive together with a sister-in-law, Lori (Robert) Machacek, Lombard, Ill.

Adaline was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, Douglas, and Donald Singleton, a brother-in-law. Also deceased are sisters Elizabeth Hyndman and Iva Irene Harris and a brother, Warren “Bud” Steinberg.

Friends are invited to celebrate the life and share memories of Adaline Louise Kucera from 4 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, April 2, 2008, and will continue at 7 a.m. Thursday, April 3, 2008 in the
Funeral service for Adaline will be held in the funeral home at 10 a.m. on Thursday, April 3, 2008. The Rev. John Branch, pastor of the Plymouth Wesleyan Church, will officiate.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorials in Adaline’s memory may be made to the American Diabetes Association or the American Heart Association.

Messages of condolences may be sent to Adaline’s family via the funeral home’s Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com.

PLYMOUTH — Adaline L. Kucera, 78, of Plymouth, died Monday, March 31, 2008 at home.

She is survived by daughters: Rebecca “Becky” (Allen) Wade of Plymouth and Susan “Sue” (Wally) Bruneau of Carol Stream, Ill.; sons: Douglas “Doug” (Linda) Kucera of Plymouth, Gary Kucera of Plymouth and Gregory “Greg” (Trina) Kucera of Lafayette, Tenn.; and a sister, Dorothy Singleton of Knox.

Visitation is Wednesday, April 2 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth. Funeral services are Thursday, April 3 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorials may be made to the American Diabetes Association or the American Heart Association.

Annemarie C. McLiver  Date of Death 3/31/2008

Annemarie C. McLiver, 83, passed away Monday, March 31, 2008, at the home of her niece, Sherrie Martin, surrounded by her loving family, from an extended illness.

Annemarie was born in Cologne-Lindenthal, Germany, on Oct. 9, 1924, to Martin Karl Hermann Gustav and Wilhelmine (nee Gobel) Knaak.

The eldest of three children, she came to America as a war bride. On Oct. 9, 1948, in Roseland, Annie and Isaac A. McLiver, of Benton Harbor, Mich., were married.

Annie lived most of her life in Michigan, retiring to Florida 26 years ago. She and her husband recently returned to Plymouth to be near family.

Annie was an avid golfer, boasting two Holes in One, which was matched by her husband, Ike. She enjoyed knitting, crocheting, and all types of crafts, excelling in painting. She sold several of her paintings and was always learning new and different techniques. One of her favorite past-times was playing cards and dice games with her family and friends. Annie was always the “official scorekeeper” adding the scores up out loud in German. She was also an avid square dancer, for many years, belonging to clubs in both Michigan and Florida.

She worked for VM-The Voice of Music, in Benton Harbor, for several years, and later helped her husband run his Yellowrock Engraving business from home.

Annie is survived by her husband, Ike; her step-daughter, Carol Ann Weissbruch and family of Illinois; her brothers: Karl Heinz (Hilde) Knaak and their daughters Gabrielle, Annemarie, and Ruth; and Martin (Katrina) Knaak and their daughter Petra and family all of Cologne, Germany; her godchild, Ursula Jungbluth of Lohmar, Germany; her sister-in-law, Martha McLiver; her niece Sherrie (Phillip) Martin; her nephew Dave (Julie) McLiver and families all of Plymouth, and her nephew John (Elizabeth) Borysko of Michigan. Several nieces and nephews from California also survive.
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Annie was preceded in death by her parents; her in-laws, Archie and Amy McLiver; her sisters and brothers-in-law, Mary and Art McMahan, Jack and Jean McLiver, and Archie McLiver.

There will be no visitation. Cremation has taken place. A family dinner to celebrate Annie's life will be held at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made to The Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, Inc., 112 S. Center St., Suite C, Plymouth, IN 46563, The American Cancer Society, 601 West Edison, Mishawaka, IN, or to the choice of the donor.

Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, is in charge of the arrangements.

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

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**Winnifred Siddall**  **Date of Death 3/31/2008**

PLYMOUTH — Winnifred “Winnie” Siddall, 80, 5625 Michigan St., Plymouth, died of natural causes in Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth, at 8:45 am on Monday, March 31, 2008. She was a resident of the Plymouth area for the past 30 years.

Winnie was born on Oct. 24, 1927, in Dallas, Texas, the daughter of John R. and Lura Mary Deshazo Spellacy.

She graduated from Woodrow Wilson High School in Dallas and from the Oak Cliff School of Business, also in Dallas, Texas.

On July 29, 1977, Winnie and Gene Siddall were married in Big Cabin, Okla.

She worked in the cafeteria at Plymouth High School and at Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth, for eight years, retiring in 1990.

In February of 1985, Winnie was named Miller’s Employee of the Month.

Winnie is survived by her husband, Gene, and by three daughters and two sons.

Her daughters are Robin Sue Buckman, Wichita, Kan.: Jeanie Dell, Cincinnati, Ohio, and Jan Taylor, Dallas, Texas. Her sons are Robert B. Siddall, Chicago, Ill., and Jeff Siddall, Wichita, Kan.

A sister, Mary Katherine Brown, Greenville, Texas, also survives.

Friends are invited to share memories of Winnie with her family from 4 to 7 p.m. on Friday, April 4, 2008, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Winnie will be at 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 5, 2008, at St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 400 N. Center St., Plymouth, where she was a long-time member. Father John E. Schramm, pastor of the church, will officiate.

Condolences may be sent to the family via the funeral home Web site: johnson-danielson.com

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**Sovilla (Schmucker) Hochstetler**  **Date of Death 4/1/2008**

NAPPANEE — Sovilla (Schmucker) Hochstetler, 91, of Nappanee, died at 2:05 p.m. Tuesday, April 1, 2008 at home.

She is survived by sons: Devon (Laura) Hochstetler of Nappanee, Wyman "Hop" (MaryIn) Hochstetler of Walkerton, Richard (Esther) Hochstetler of Hale, Texas, Lisle (Mary) Hochstetler
of Nappanee, Monroe Jay (Erma) Hochstetler of Nappanee, Andrew (Tracy) Hochstetler Jr. of Nappanee and Danny Hochstetler of Nappanee; daughters: Betty (Marvin) Slabaugh of Nappanee, Maude (Oscar) Burkholder of Bremen, Alma (Chris) Slabaugh, Judy (Wilbur) Mast of Etna Green, Mary Etta Hochstetler of Nappanee, Linda (Harley) Schmucker of Nappanee and Sherry (Marlin) Miller of Nappanee; 77 grandchildren; 270 great-grandchildren; and 27 great-great-grandchildren.

Visitation was after 3 p.m. Wednesday and all day Thursday, April 3 at the family residence, 111-B 2nd B Rd., Nappanee. Funeral services are Friday, April 4 at 9:30 a.m. at the family residence. Burial will be at Weldy Cemetery.

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

Paul Vern Dipert  Date of Death 4/2/2008

PLYMOUTH — Paul Vern Dipert, 86, 230 Leslie St., Plymouth, died in Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth, at 2:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 2, 2008.

Born in Walkerton, on Dec. 13, 1921, Paul was the son of Vern and Mabel Barber Dipert. He graduated from Plymouth High School.

On Aug. 6, 1944, Paul and Beaulah Elizabeth Beyler Sherk were married. Beaulah died in 1987.

A dairy farmer, Paul bought his farm in 1950. He also was a punch press operator at Studebaker’s for 16 years, having started working there in November of 1942.

He also drove a school bus for Tyner/Polk Township.

He was a fisherman and a bowler and enjoyed playing cards, especially the game of Euchre.

Paul was a member of the Tyner Odd Fellows Lodge and the Church of the Brethren.

Paul is survived by two daughters and two sons. His daughters are Rebecca Dipert and Regina Dipert, both of Plymouth. His sons are step-son, Rodger (Bonnie) Sherk, Rochester, and son Douglas (Kathy) Dipert, Walkerton.

Two granddaughters, Beth (John) Hilbert, and Betsy (Chris) Gardner and three grandsons: Ryan (Faith) Sherk, Justin (Sue) Dipert and Jason (Beth) Dipert, survive as well, along with eight great-grandchildren.

A brother, Gail (Jan) Dipert, Wellston, Mich., and two sisters, Betty (Carl) Coplen, Avon Park, Fla., and Ruth Ann (Don) Anders, Plymouth, also survive.

Paul was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, four brothers Deane Dipert, Richard “Bud” Dipert, Robert Dipert, and Roger Dipert, two sisters Maxine Thomas and Marian Paton, and a special friend Rita Anway.

Friends are invited to share memories and celebrate the life of Paul Dipert with his family at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, from 4 to 8 p.m. on Sunday, April 6, 2008. A service provided by the Tyner Odd Fellows Lodge will be held at 7 p.m.

Funeral services for Paul will be held Monday at 10:30 a.m. in the Plymouth Church of the Brethren. Pastor Ruth Yoder, will officiate.

Paul will be laid to rest next to his wife in the Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.
Lyman Everett Jones  Date of Death 4/2/2008

ROCHESTER — Lyman Everett Jones, 88, of Rochester, died at 7:35 a.m. Wednesday, April 2 at Life Care Center of Rochester.

He is survived by his wife, Daisy Jones; sons: James E. Jones of Sanford, N.C., Donald M. (Geneva) Jones of Jackson, Ky.; sons: Jerry L. (Tani) Jones of Riverton, Utah; seven grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchildren; brother, Vern (Bonnie) Jones of Logansport; and sister, Juanita Johnson of Flora.

Visitation was Thursday, April 3 from 5 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to services Friday in the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Funeral services are at 10 a.m. Friday, April 4 at the funeral home.

Burial will be at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Trinity United Methodist Church.

Carolyn Sue Minix  Date of Death 4/2/2008

OAK GROVE — Carolyn Sue Minix, 65, died Wednesday, April 2, 2008 in Starke Memorial Hospital, Knox.

She is survived by her husband, Earsel Minix; daughters: Shelley Fletcher of Knox, Cynthia (Ron) McIntire of Hamlet and Melissa (Lee) Jordan of Knox; son, Dennis (Nancy) Minix of Knox; 15 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; sisters: Iva Jean Minix of Knox, Fafalene Jenkins of Winamac and Sharon Baker of Smithville, Tenn.; and brothers: Fred Howard of Bourbon and Roger Howard of Grovertown.

Visitation is Saturday, April 5 from 4 to 8 p.m. and Sunday after 10 a.m. until the time of services at the Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel. Funeral services are Sunday, April 6 at 11 a.m. CDT at the funeral home. Burial will be at Round Lake Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Riley Hospital for Children.

Patricia K. Hardesty  Date of Death 4/3/2008

NASHVILLE — Patricia K. Hardesty, 62, of Nashville, Tenn., died Thursday, April 3, 2008, at 8:15 p.m., at the Summit Medical Center in Hermitage Tennessee. She was formerly of Plymouth, Indiana.

Patricia is survived by her daughters, Cindy Price of Argos, Candy Bonnell of Plymouth, Connie and James Lawton of Talma, and Karen and Adam Leazenny of Kewanna; her son, John and Bonnie Hardesty of Plymouth; her brothers, Lloyd (Tiny) Hatfield and Richard Hatfield both of Plymouth, Gary Hatfield of Arizona, and Loren (Butch) Hatfield of Elkhart, Indiana; 12 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, April 9, 2008, at 1 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, in Plymouth, with the Rev. Douglas Jividen officiating. Burial will be in the Tyner Cemetery, Tyner.

Visitation will be on Wednesday, April 9, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home,
Joy G. Krull  Date of Death 4/3/2008

ARGOS — Joy G. Krull, 66, of 7229 17th Rd., Argos, died Thursday, April 3, 2008 at 4:30 a.m. at her home. She had been ill since October 2006. She was born Feb. 2, 1942 in Plymouth to Robert and Hilda (Hall) Filson.

She lived in the Argos community since 1984 coming from the Culver community. She lived all of her life in the Marshall county area.

She owned and operated Joy’s Café in Argos from 1984 to 2000. Before that she had worked for Bennett’s Plumbing & Heating in Culver.

She grew up in Inwood and attended the Inwood United Methodist Church. She attended Inwood School and graduated from Plymouth High School with the class of 1960. She was a member of the Argos Lions Club, and Argos United Methodist Church and the Parish Life Committee.

Joy is survived by one daughter, Barbara (Kevin) Williams of Argos; grandchildren: Kala and Michael Williams of Argos; and Amy, Dustee and Ben Krull of Rochester; daughter-in-law, Rose Krull of Rochester; two brothers: Bill (Sue) Filson and John (Jan) Filson both of Plymouth; and one sister, Phyllis (Harold) Bachtel of Plymouth.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and son, David Krull in May 1999.

Friends may visit with the family Saturday, April 5 from 4 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to services at the Argos United Methodist Church, 504 N. Michigan St., Argos.

Services will be at 3 p.m. Sunday, April 6 at the Argos United Methodist Church, Argos with Rev. Don Nunemaker officiating. Graveside services will follow at a later date at the New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Joy G. Krull Memorial Fund; c/o Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan Street, Argos, IN 46501.

Electronic condolences my be sent to the family at: memorials@earl-grossmanfuneral.com

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

Verda Marguerite Todd  Date of Death 4/3/2008

PRESCOTT, Kan. — Verda Marguerite Todd, 95, a resident of the Country View Nursing Home in Prescott, Kan., and a former resident of East Chicago, and Conyers, Ga., died, Thursday, April 3, 2008, at Prescott. She was born March 18, 1913, in Dwight, Ill., the daughter of John Frisinger and Lona Mead Frisinger. She married Owen Hedwall in December of 1932. He preceded her in death in 1956. Mrs. Todd had worked as a librarian for many years at the public library in Lake County, Ind.

Survivors include a daughter, Linda Johannsen, and husband, Tom of Independence, Mo. Also surviving are numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by six sisters: Audrey, Vergil, Avis, Ruth, Bernadine and Lois; and three brothers: Ralph, Howard, and John Jr.

There was cremation.
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Cheney Witt Chapel, 201 S. Main, Fort Scott, KS, was in charge of arrangements.

**Theresa M. Corso  Date of Death 4/4/2008**

KNOX — Theresa M. Corso, 69, of Knox, died Friday, April 4 at her home.

She is survived by her sister, Marie "Miss Marie" Dylag of Knox.

Visitation took place on  Sunday, April 6 from 1 to 5 p.m. with a rosary service at 1 p.m. at the M.C. Smith Funeral Home, Knox.

Funeral mass will take place on Monday, April 7 at 10 a.m. at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church burial followed at Holy Cross Cemetery, Hamlet.

**Gailen E. Johnson  Date of Death 4/4/2008**

PLYMOUTH — Gailen E. Johnson, 75, of Lakeville died Friday, April 4 at the St. Joseph Medical Center, Plymouth of natural causes.

He is survived by his wife, Freida; 15 children including Cindy K. Weaver of Lakeville; a step-son, Dennis L. Johnson of LaPaz; 16 grandchildren; 6 great-grandchildren; three sisters: Toni Carmean of Elkhart, Sue Heckman of Texas and Candy Sickles of Elkart and five brothers: Dennis Johnson and Frank Johnson, both of Elkhart; Joel Johnson of Niles, Mich., and Roger and Ray Johnson, both of California.

Visitation will take place on Wednesday, April 9 from 3 to 7 p.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth.

A family funeral service will be held.

Memorials can be made to the American Heart Association.

**Jayson Keen  Date of Death 4/4/2008**

KNOX — Infant Jayson Keen, of Knox, was stillborn Friday, April 4, 2008.

He is survived by his parents, Chad and Shea (Cole) Keen of Knox; two brothers, Jacob and Jayden Keen; maternal grandparents, Adam and Jackie Cole of North Judson and paternal grandparents Eric and Monica Keen of Plymouth.

Private graveside services will take place.

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

**Betty Jane Ritter  Date of Death 4/4/2008**

ROCHESTER — Betty Jane Ritter, 83, 322 Ohio St., Rochester, went to be with the Lord at 10:35 p.m. Friday, April 4, 2008 at her daughter and son-in-law’s, Ruth and Donald Bean’s home in Argos.

She was born on Jan. 25, 1925 in Plymouth, the daughter of Bina and Lula (Hall) Nitcher. On Nov. 2, 1940 in South Bend, she married Bishop Armond A. Ritter. He preceded her in death on Feb. 8, 1990.

Mrs. Ritter had retired from Hart, Schaffner & Marx and worked as a cook for Pizza Hut after her retirement. She had also delivered papers for the Rochester Sentinel and had worked for Blue Bell in Nappanee. Prior to coming to Rochester, Mrs. Ritter and her husband Pastored churches in Bremen and Peru. She was a member of the Pentecostal Churches of America, the Apostolic
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World Christian Fellowship and a member of the Apostolic Pentecostal Church, Rochester for 45 years. Her hobbies included sewing, baking, cooking and gardening. She will be remembered for her generosity of putting on church dinners, preparing food and clothes to be sent overseas to less fortunate people, and always sending cards of encouragement to family and friends. The Ritter Family is grateful to the Rochester Community for allowing Bishop Armond and Betty Ritter the opportunity to be servants of the community.

Survivors include her children: sons, Bishop Richard and wife Annetta Ritter Sr., Rochester and Pastor Robert and wife Carol Ritter Sr., Rochester; daughters, Ruth and husband Donald Bean, Argos, Carole Jones, Rochester, Martha and husband Rufus Buckner, Rochester; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren; one great-great grandchild; sisters: Virginia Spencer, Plymouth, and Lula Wallace, Argos.

She was preceded in death by her parents, brother, three sisters, grandson, and a great-grandson.

Funeral services will be conducted at 1 p.m. Wednesday, April 9, 2008 at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with Elder Charles W. Warfield III officiating. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday and one hour prior to service at the funeral home. Burial will be in the Tippecanoe Cemetery, Tippecanoe.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County. The Ritter Family would personally like to thank Hope Hospice of Fulton County, Darin Beeker and Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home for their compassionate care and service during Betty's illness and passing. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com

Mary V. Snyder  Date of Death 4/4/2008

PLYMOUTH — Mary V. Snyder, 87, of Plymouth, died at 2:45 p.m. on Friday, April 4, 2008, at home.

She is survived by her grandsons: Melvin and Julie Snyder, David and Trish Snyder, and Andrew Snyder, all of Plymouth; her granddaughters, Teresa Snyder and Mary Snyder, both of California; five great-grandchildren; her sisters, Phyllis Bee of Elkhart, Geneva Hawes, Cindy Phelps, and Betty Moore, all of Evansville, Margaret Springston of Selvin, and Myra Needler of Rochester, N.Y.; and her brother, Jerry Holland of Indianapolis.

There will be no service or visitation. Cremation has taken place, and burial will be at a later date. The Van Gilder Funeral Home, Plymouth, is handling the arrangements.

Juanita M. Wagoner  Date of Death 4/4/2008

Oct. 1, 1928 - April 4, 2008
ROCHESTER — Juanita M. Wagoner, 79, of 13th Street, Rochester, passed away at 3:45 a.m. on Friday, April 4, 2008, at the Life Care Center in Rochester.

Juanita was born on Oct. 1, 1928, in Bremen, to Claude and Frances (Fetters) Booker. Juanita and Robert D. Wagoner were married in Plymouth on Dec. 29, 1945. The Wagoners owned and operated a coin laundry, Wagoner Radiator, and Wag's TV and Appliances in Rochester.

Juanita and Robert raised their four sons together. They had been residents of the Rochester area since 1950 and had attended the First Baptist Church, in Rochester, since then. Juanita was a loving and caring wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. She enjoyed antiques, swinging on the porch, cleaning house, bowling, card club with her friends, family activities, playing dominoes with her grandchildren, and eating her favorite “Flagpole” ice cream.

Juanita is survived by her sons: Gregory Wagoner of Indianapolis, Mark and Cindy Wagoner of
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Greensboro, N.C., Philip and Terri Wagoner of Greenwood and Todd Wagoner of Taylorville, Ill.; her grandchildren: Cyle (Chris) Wagoner, Cory Wagoner, Paige Wagoner, Ty Wagoner, Eric Wagoner, Patrick Wagoner, Kaitlyn Wagoner, and Alyssa Wagoner; one great-grandchild, Evan; and her sister Claudine of Plymouth. She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert D. Wagoner, and two infant sons.

Funeral services, for Juanita, will be held at Noon, on Friday, April 11, 2008 at Van Gilder Funeral Home in Plymouth, with Rev. Mark Spencer officiating. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

A time of visiting with the Wagoner family will be on Friday, April 11, 2008 from 10 a.m. until Noon at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth.

The family requests, in lieu of flowers, memorial contributions be given to the Alzheimer’s Services of Northern Indiana, 922 E. Colfax Ave., South Bend, IN 46617 or Southern Care Hospice, 310 W. McKinley Ave., Mishawaka, IN 46565.

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

James E., Sr Locke  Date of Death 4/5/2008

WALKERTON — James E. Locke Sr., 57, of Walkerton, died Saturday, April 5, 2008.

He is survived by his wife, Laurice (Inman); three children: Becky Locke of South Bend, Elizabeth Locke of Walkerton and James Locke Jr. of Walkerton; siblings: Joan Piper of Greenville, Ken., Monica Kirk of Cave Creek, Ariz., Lorriane Beron of South Bend, John Locke Jr. of Springport, Mich. and Joe Locke of Spring Valley, Ohio and two grandchildren: Sabrina and Noah Locke.

Visitation will take place on Tuesday, April 8 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the M.C. Smith Funeral Home, Knox.

Funeral services will take place on Wednesday, April 9 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home with burial to take place following the service.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the family.

Victoria Bell McGlothin Russel  Date of Death 4/5/2008

Victoria Bell McGlothin Russell returned peacefully to her Heavenly Father on Saturday, April 5, 2008, at 9:56 p.m., surrounded by family at home after fighting a year-long illness.

She was born on April 3, 1949, to Wilma and Woodie McGlothin. She married William Everett “Bill” Russell on Sept. 20, 1969, in Leiters Ford and was sealed at the LDS Temple in Salt Lake City, Utah, on Oct. 20, 1971. Bill and Vicky have three children: a son, Scott and wife Kellie Russell, children Claire, Madeline, Laura, Jessica, Katelin and Evelyn of Plain City, Utah; and two daughters: Gretchen and husband Scott Johnson, children Michael, Renae, Rebekah and Elizabeth, and Haidee and husband Michael Temme, children Zachary, Russell and Alexandra, all of Leiters Ford.

Bill and Vicky opened their home and hearts to many. Extended children and grandchildren include Kristina Risner, children Ashley and Richard, Richard Ganshow, Karla and husband Mitch Rutledge, children Linda and Andres, all of Kentucky, Rob and Kira Bettcher, children Andi and Robby of Winamac, and foreign exchange daughter Jantje Roder of Germany.

Besides her family, Vicky leaves behind sisters: Pat Plothow, Leiters Ford, and Bettie and husband Ron, Kewanna, a brother-in-law, Norman with wife Lane Wagoner, Sheridan, with
several nieces and nephews.

Preceding her in death: parents, Wilma and Woodie McGlothin; in-laws, Everett and Pauline Russell; brother-in-law, Fritz Plothow; and sisters-in-law, Barbara Wagoner and Rebecca Nelson.

For the past 29 years, Vicky worked at Culver Academies, where she was known by many as “Mother Russell.” Work was much more than a job for her. Vicky was involved with a mentoring program, “teen talk,” and involved with many students, getting them into the college of their choice and much more. She was an active and energetic member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, where she fulfilled many callings, and she enjoyed the social activity of the Red Hatters of Fulton County.

A celebration of the life of Victoria Bell “Vicky” Russell will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, April 9, at the Legion Memorial Chapel at the Culver Academies. President William Tincher will officiate. (The Chapel is on the north side of the Academy just off Indiana 10.) The Leiters Ford Cemetery is the site of interment. Friends may visit with the family at the Good Family Funeral Home on Tuesday from 3 to 8 p.m. and at the chapel one hour prior to her services. Preferred memorials in lieu of flowers may be made to the Aubbee Relay for Life Team. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Phyllis J. Black  Date of Death 4/6/2008

HARRISON, Mich. — Phyllis J. Black, 90, of Harrison Mich., formerly of Nappanee, died Sunday, April 6, 2008 at 9:36 a.m. at Tender Care Nursing Home in Clare, Mich.

She is survived by her daughter, Janice (Dave) Cunningham of Nappanee; son, Thomas (Darlene) Black of Elkhart; four grandchildren; and brother, Richard Callander of Scottsdale, Ariz.

Visitation is from 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday, April 12 at Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee. A memorial service will be held at 3 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home.

Burial will take place at Union Center Cemetery, Nappanee.

Memorials may be made to the Nappanee American Legion Women’s Auxiliary.

Phyllis Anita Short  Date of Death 4/6/2008

ROCHESTER — Phyllis Anita Short, 71, of Rochester, died Sunday, April 6 at 7:55 a.m. at the St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

She is survived by two daughters: Angela (Paul) McIntosh and Jacqueline (Franklin) Gross, both of Rochester; a son, Andrew Jackson Short II of Indianapolis; six grandchildren and a brother, Paul (Barbara) Wideman of Mississippi.

Visitation will take place on Tuesday, April 8 one hour before funeral services at 11 a.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Burial will follow at Citizens Cemetery.

Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Robert "Red" Griffith  Date of Death 4/7/2008

HAMLET — Robert “Red” Griffith, 80, died Monday, April 7, 2008 in Columbus, Ind..

He is survived by his wife, Mindy; sons: Danny Griffith of Minot, N.D., Dennis Griffith of Garrison, N.D., Fred Beerwart of Columbus, Ind. and Andrew Beerwart of Coralville, Iowa; daughters: Susan Hardy of Knox and Holly Hebert of Louisiana; brother, Don Griffith of Hamlet; 10
grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

There will be no funeral service. Visitation is Thursday, April 10 from 5 to 8 p.m. CDT at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel. Cremation will take place after visitation.

**Linda K. Poff  Date of Death 4/7/2008**

KNOX — Linda K. Poff, 60, of Knox, died Monday, April 7 at Porter Memorial Hospital.

She is survived by her husband, David; children: Vicky (Scott) McNeece and Kyle Poff, all of Knox; brothers: Ronnie Sischo of Knox, Donald Gene Sischo of Monterey and Leslie Sischo of Michigan City; eight grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

A family memorial service will take place at a later date.

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

Memorial contributions may be made to the family.

**Marie V. (Pesak) Benner  Date of Death 4/8/2008**

Marie V. Benner (Pesak), 83, formerly of Rochester died on Tuesday, April 8, 2008 at Miller’s Merry Manor in Culver. Marie was a resident of Fulton, Marshall and Starke counties for more than 50 years. Previously she resided in Chicago, Ill. Born to Andrew and Madga Kock in the Czech Republic, she was the fourth of six children. On May 30, 1948 in Germany she was married to Karl Pesak, who preceded her on May 23, 1977.

Survivors include seven loving and devoted children: Maria Mangun and husband Donald of Milford, Robert Pesak and wife Kathy of Hermitage, Tenn.; Karl Pesak Jr. and wife Jenean of Mishawaka, Tony Pesak and wife Deborah of Charleston, S.C.; Marcella Boener and husband John of Plymouth; Milton Pesak and wife Kathryn of Rochester and Andrew Pesak of Chicago, Ill. A surviving sister, Magda Vasak, resides in Ontario, Canada. Marie was blessed with numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and a great-great grandchild who loved their grandmother dearly.

Marie was a long-time member of the Seventh-Day Adventist Church of Rochester, and a 29-year employee of Hart, Schaffner, Marx Corporation. Cooking, gardening, and exercise-walking were among her favorite activities as well as contributing to various charitable organizations. More than anything in her life, she loved her Lord, her children and her grandchildren.

Visitation and Graveside services will be held privately for family members with burial at the I.O.O.F. Cemetery of Rochester.

Contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society; 601 W. Edison, Mishawaka, IN 46545 or the American Diabetic Association; Attn: Barbara Carter, 6415 Castleway W. Drive, Suite 114, Indianapolis, IN 46250.

Electronic condolences may be sent to the family at: memorials@earl-grossmanfuneral.com

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

**Helen L. Wajda  Date of Death 4/8/2008**

KNOX — Helen L. Wajda, 87, of Knox, died Tuesday, April 8.

She is survived by her husband, Bernard; children: Robert (Mary) Miller of Round Lake Beach, Ill., Rose (Frank) Nellis of Owensville, Christine (Rick) Baker of Culver and Al (Joen) Wajda of
Lowell "Rex" Moore  Date of Death 4/9/2008

WARSAW — Lowell "Rex" Moore, 62, died Wednesday, April 9, 2008, at 1:47 p.m.

He is survived by one sister, Gwendolyn Kelton, of Greenfield, Mass., and two brothers, Lawrence "Larry" (Helen) Moore, of Columbia City, and Glen (Bernetta) Moore, of Bourbon, as well as several nieces and nephews.

Visitation is Tuesday, April 15, from 2 to 4 and 6- to 8 p.m. at Titus Funeral Home, Warsaw.

Services are Wednesday, April 16, at 10:30 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Palestine Cemetery, Palestine.

Memorials may be made to the 24 Hour Club c/o Titus Funeral Home, PO Box 705, Warsaw, IN 46581-0705.

Ida Carol Gordon Shafer  Date of Death 4/9/2008

ROCHESTER — Ida Carol Gordon Shafer, 103, of Rochester, died at 4:15 a.m. Wednesday, April 9, 2008 at Wynnfield Crossing, Rochester.

She is survived by a daughter, Betty (Marvin) Rouch of Rochester; son, Arthur (Marilyn) Shafer of Elkhart; six grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Friday, April 11 from 4 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to the funeral Saturday at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Funeral services are Saturday, April 12 at 10:30 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County or to the Walnut Church of the Brethren Ladies Aid.

Samuel Edward Carlton  Date of Death 4/10/2008

BURLINGTON — Rev. Samuel Edward Carlton, 87, died Thursday, April 10 at Garden Villa Nursing Home in Bloomington, following an extended illness.

He was born in Macedonia, Ill., April 6, 1921 to Marshall and Ethel Gibbs Carlton. He graduated from McLeansboro High School in 1940.

Carlton served as an airplane mechanic in the Air Force during World War II. When he returned from the military he married his grade school sweetheart Martha Louise Miller.

He then attended Mckendree College in Lebanon Ill. and then Seminary at Christian Theological Seminary in Indianapolis, graduating in 1955. As a First United Methodist minister he pastored at churches in Bridgeport, Brazil, Plymouth, Elkhart, Rochester, Griffith and Lafayette, Ind.

He retired from full time ministry in 1986. After retirement he served as an associate minister for churches in Dyer, Brownsburg, Pendleton, Fort Wayne and Farmland, Ind.

Carlton was also a member of the Brazil Rotary Club, member of the board of directors for the Methodist Nursing Home in Frankfort, Council of Finance and Administration (CFA) as well as a
member of the trustees for the North Indiana Conference of the United Methodist Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents, sister Alberta Carlton and brother Robert Carlton.

He is survived by his wife Louise; children: Jim and Nedra Carlton, Jan and Doug Anderson, Joan Zimmerman and Dennis Burch; grandchildren: Dianna Carlton, Jana Johnson, Melissa Osner, Mark Anderson, Bradley Zimmerman, Meredith Anderson, Mathew Zimmerman, Molly Chasteen; great-grandchildren: Nathaniel and Zion Osner, Grant Johnson, Marah Osner, Elsa Anderson, Silas Chasteen and a brother, Don Carlton as well as many friends parishioners and extended family members.

Visitation will be at Lawson–Miller Chapel Tuesday, April 15 from 4 to 8 p.m. and again Wednesday from 9 a.m. until time of services.

Funeral services will take place at the First United Methodist Church Wednesday at 10 a.m. with Bishop Michael Coyner, Dr. Douglas T. Anderson and Pastor Tony Alstott officiating.

Burial will follow at Clearview Cemetery.

**Dane Edward Enders  Date of Death 4/11/2008**

WEST LAFAYETTE — Dane Edward Enders, 39, of Plymouth, formerly of Bremen, died Friday, April 11, 2008 in West Lafayette.

He was born to Ed and Carla (Sanborn) Enders in Bremen on September 17, 1968 and was a lifetime area resident.

Enders attended Bremen High School where he was active in the Swing Choir and loved his music.

He was preceded in death by his father, Ed Enders and grandmother, Elsie Enders.

He is survived by his mother, Carla Enders of Bremen; a son, Jordan Enders of Petoskey, Mich.; a daughter, Jensyn Enders of Bremen; a brother, Seth (Keri) Enders of Plymouth; maternal grandparents, Clyde and Fern Sanborn of Bremen and a paternal grandfather, Ab Enders of Bremen.

Funeral arrangements are pending through Mishler Funeral Home and will be held at a later date.

Memorials may be made to his children through the funeral home at Jordan and Jensyn Enders, c/o Mishler Funeral Home, PO Box #202, Bremen, IN, 46506

**Riley Ousley  Date of Death 4/11/2008**

NORTH WEBSTER — Riley Ousley, 64, died Friday, April 11, 2008.

He is survived by three sons: Scott (Laura) Ousley of Columbus, Dave (Kari) Welker of Noblesville and Joe (Kelle) Welker of Plymouth, four brothers, one sister, 10 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Visitation will be Tuesday from 5 to 8 p.m. at Mishler Funeral Home, Harris Chapel, in Syracuse.

Memorials may be made to the Kosciusko County Cancer Fund.

**Charles E. Rhineheimer  Date of Death 4/11/2008**
HAMLET — Charles E. Rhineheimer, 82, of Hamlet, died Friday, April 11 at Starke Memorial Hospital, Knox.

He is survived by a daughter, Carol Lay of Hamlet; a son, Joe Rhineheimer of Hamlet; five grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren; a sister, Lena Stinnett of Nicholasville, Ken. and three brothers: Dee, Paris and Russell, all of Ken.

Visitation services will take place on Monday, April 14 from 3 to 8 p.m. (CDT) at the Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel and Tuesday, April 15 from 11 a.m. until funeral services.

Funeral services will take place at 1 p.m. on Tuesday.

Burial will follow at Fletcher Cemetery with military graveside services.

Bernita "Ann" Crispen Miller  Date of Death 4/12/2008

ROCHESTER — Bernita "Ann" Crispen Miller, 69, of Rochester, died at 5:50 p.m. Saturday, April 12 at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

She is survived by her husband, George Miller; daughters: Deborah (Tom) Mills of Rochester, Carin (CWO4 Michael) Ringle of Ft. Campbell, Ky. and Ellen (Neil) Felts of Rochester; son, Kevin (Susan) Crispen; 11 grandchildren; one great-grandson; three step-grandchildren; sister, Marjorie DeWitt of Logansport; and brothers: Lewis "Bob" (Jan) Shambarger of Plymouth and Herbert (Doris) Shambarger of Laketon.

Visitation is Wednesday, April 16 from 4 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to the service in the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Funeral services are Thursday, April 17 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Scleroderma Foundation or the Church of the Nazarene.

Jean E. Wagner  Date of Death 4/12/2008

DONALDSON — Jean E. Wagner, 93, of Donaldson, died Saturday, April 12, 2008, at 6:40 a.m., at the Catherine Kasper Life Care Center, Donaldson.

She is survived by her daughter, Mary Ann and James Wells of Plymouth; her son, Tom and Marian Wagner of Schaumburg, Ill.; three grandsons; and three great-grandchildren.

Memorial services will be held Thursday, April 17 at 2 p.m., on the fourth floor Visitation Chapel, at the Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ Maria Center, 9601 Union Rd., Donaldson. Burial will be in Oakwood Cemetery, Higgins Lake, Mich., at a later date. Visitation will also be held in the Chapel, on Thursday, April 17 from 1:30 p.m. until the time of service at 2 p.m.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Catherine Kasper Life Care Center, PO Box 1, Donaldson, IN 46513, or to The Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, Incorporated, 112 S. Center St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

Van Gilder Funeral Home, Plymouth, is in charge of the arrangements.

Ronald "Woody" Clanton  Date of Death 4/13/2008

SOUTH BEND — Ronald “Woody” Clanton, 55, formerly of Koontz Lake, died Sunday, April 13, 2008 in The Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, Inc., South Bend.
Survivors include son, Sean (Gina) Clanton of Riverview, Fla.; daughter, Sibbia Clanton of Riverview, Fla.; his father, Wallace Clanton of Walkerton; sisters: Carol (Vic) Roden and Connie Mills, all of Walkerton and Debora (Bob) Harris of Fish Lake; and three grandchildren.

A military memorial service will be held Wednesday, April 16 at 6 p.m. EDT at American Legion Post #189 of Walkerton. Cremation will take place.

Memorial contributions may be made to Rannells Funeral Home, 7984 N. S.R. 23, Walkerton, IN 46574.

Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel, is handling the arrangements.

**John Benjamin Jernas  Date of Death 4/13/2008**


Mr. Jernas was born June 9, 1921 in North Liberty, to William and Selma (Jajowka) Jernas and lived in the area all of his life.

On March 4, 1944 in Knox, he was married to Marjorie Spoor, who preceded him in death in 2002.

He was also preceded in death by his parents, four brothers and eight sisters.

Survivors include: three sons, Donald (Marcey) Jernas of Tippecanoe, Edward (Debbie) Jernas of Brems and Larry (Vicki) Jernas of Brems; one sister, Clara Denst of Illinois; six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Mr. Jernas was a retired grain and livestock farmer. He was a life member of the American Angus Association, past president of the Hamlet Lions Club and a past member of the Starke County 4-H Fair Board.

He served as Davis Township Trustee, he was a member of the Davis Township Advisory Board for many years and was a Purple Ribbon Seed dealer.

Funeral services will be Wednesday at 11 a.m. CDT at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel.

Burial will be in the Fancher Cemetery.

Friends may call Tuesday from 5 to 8 p.m. and Wednesday after 10 a.m. until the time of services at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given to the Hamlet Lions Club.

**Martin Arno Uebel  Date of Death 4/15/2008**

CULVER — Martin Arno Uebel, 96, of Culver, passed away on April 16 at Miller’s Merry Manor in Culver. He was a faculty member of the Culver Academies from 1940 to 1977 working in both Summer and Winter Schools as a counselor, teacher of German, Latin, and English as well as ROTC at times. He also assisted in the Music Department as part-time Band Director and regularly played clarinet in the concerts at the Academy and in South Bend.

Born in East Hampton, Mass. On April 12, 1912, he was the son of Herman and Marie Uebel. After graduation from Dartmouth College in 1933, he worked as a musician and then continued his education at the University of Cologne, Germany and through summer work at Freiburg and Frankfurt, Germany, as well as Indiana University, Bloomington.

He served in the Second Armored Division in WWII, was wounded twice, receiving a Purple Heart with star. In 1945, he married Ruth E. Bossert, a teacher in Brookville, Ind., who survives.
A charter member of Trinity Lutheran Church of Culver, he also belonged to the American Legion, and the Marshall County Historical Society. While serving on the Council of Churches, he organized the Meals on Wheels Program of Culver.

He is also survived by sons David (Judy) of Colorado and Mark (Dawn) of Martinsville; three grandchildren: Ryan (Nicole) Uebel of Granger, LT jg Matthew Uebel, USN of Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, and Amy Elizabeth Uebel of Mystic, Conn.; and two great-grandchildren: Kaylee and Lauren Uebel.

Visitation with the family will be held Monday, April 21, 2008 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Trinity Lutheran Church, Culver. Rev. K.C. Dehning will officiate funeral services Tuesday, April 22, 2008 at 9 a.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church. Interment will follow at Maple Grove Cemetery in Brookville, Ind. Gifts in his memory may be made to Trinity Lutheran Church or the Culver Academies Scholarship Fund.

Condolences may be sent to the family via the obituary page at www.boineodom.com.

Rev. Robert Wesley Klatt  Date of Death 4/16/2008

PLYMOUTH — A good and faithful servant, the Rev. Robert Wesley Klatt, 86, received his Heavenly reward at 2:45 p.m. Wednesday, April 16, 2008 with his wife at his side. Robert died of natural causes in the Pilgrim Manor Care Center, Plymouth. A resident of 10201 8A Road, Plymouth, he first moved to this area from Chicago in 1968.

He committed his life to preaching the Word of God and leading many to Salvation.

Robert was born on Aug. 13, 1921, in Oxford, Neb. He was the son of Fredrick Ludwig and Ella Caroline (VanManteuffel) Klatt.

He graduated from Enid (Okla.) High School with the class of 1939 and received a diploma in Theological Studies from Miltonvale Wesleyan College – Kansas in 1943. He then earned a Bachelor of Religion degree from Marion College now Indiana Wesleyan University where he then attained a Bachelor of Arts degree. From Asbury Theological Seminary in 1949 he was awarded a Bachelor of Divinity degree.

On Oct. 26, 1946, in the College Church of Marion, Ind., Robert and Vera Ruth Stair were married by the Rev. C.C. Decker.

Robert became an ordained Wesleyan minister and pastored in Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, and New York and taught one year in the Philippines. He would retire three times. He served the Argos congregation and then, in his last paid position, the Plymouth Wesleyan Church where he was a Visitation and Seniors pastor.

He enjoyed traveling, camping and reading. A very gifted and handy person, he was a woodworker and carpenter and automotive repairman. He enjoyed the many activities of his grandchildren.

Robert is survived by Vera, his devoted wife of almost 62 years and by their three sons and daughters-in-law and grandchildren.

They are: Mark Edward and Dawn Klatt, Portland, Ind. And their children: Nathan, Danae and Kristen; Philip Dean and Martha Klatt, Warsaw, Ind., and their children, Anna and Andrew; and David Robert and Debra Klatt, Sebring, Fla. And their sons, Joshua, Samuel, Daniel and Elisha.

Two brothers also survive; Luther Klatt of San Marco, Calif. And Fredrick and Betty Klatt of San Clemente, Calif. Along with numerous nieces and nephews.

Robert was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Alberta Kindschi.

Friends will be welcomed to celebrate the life of Robert Klatt with his family on Friday, April 18, 2008 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, and for one hour prior to services at the church on Saturday.

Funeral services for Robert will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, April 19, 2008, at the Plymouth Wesleyan Church, 11203 S. Michigan St., Plymouth. The Reverends John Branch and Ollie
Kenneth Odle  Date of Death 4/16/2008

KNOX — Kenneth “Kenny” Odle, 40, died April 16, 2008 in Indiana University Medical Center, Indianapolis.

Survivors include: daughters: Danie’l Odle and Kennydi Odle, both of Elkhart; son, Kenny Jr. of Knox; his mother, Glenda Bauer of LaPorte; sister, Krystal McGrath of Knox; brother, Mike Bauer of Knox and grandmother, Dolores Odle of Culver.

Visitation is Sunday from 4 to 8 p.m. CDT at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel. A graveside service will be held Monday at 1 p.m. at the Winamac Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the family.

Guadalupe (Sanchez) Rubalcava  Date of Death 4/16/2008

ELKHART — Guadalupe (Sanchez) Rubalcava, 60, of Elkhart, died at 1:41 a.m. Wednesday, April 16, 2008 at Goshen General Hospital.

Lupe was born on March 11, 1948, in Sunnyside, Washington, to Miguel and Josefa (Carrillo) Sanchez. They moved to Plymouth in 1962, from Texas. Lupe was employed at Sunshine Catering Service in the food preparation department. She moved, from Plymouth, to the Elkhart area, in 1978.

Lupe is survived by her three daughters; Monica Neumann, Gina Neumann, and Teresa Atchison, all of Elkhart; her son, Stephen Neumann of South Bend; her five sisters: Tonia Ledesman of Plymouth, Yolanda Gaspar of Plymouth, Mary Fuentes of Elkhart, Tomas Flores of Plymouth, and Sofia Fuentes of Plymouth; and her three brothers: Richard Sanchez of Texas, Mike Sanchez of Texas, and Alvin Hernandez of Hobart.

The Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Saturday, April 19, 2008, at 10:30 a.m. at Saint Michael Catholic Church, with the Rev. Father William Kummer officiating. Burial will be in Saint Michael Cemetery, Plymouth.

A time of visiting, with Lupe’s family, will be on Friday, April 18, 2008, from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m., with Rosary at 7:30 p.m., at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth.

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

Loren Leroy Yoder  Date of Death 4/16/2008
BREMEN — Loren Leroy Yoder, 86, died Wednesday, April 16, 2008 in hospice care in Pembroke Pines, Fla.

Survivors include his wife, Clara Yoder of Davie, Fla., five sons and three daughters: Dennis (Val) Yoder of Bremen, Gail (Keith) Hardy of Bremen, Ed (Naomi) Yoder of Pierson, Fla., Bonnie (David) Knowles of Cooper City, Fla., Shirley (Kenny) Miller of Bremen, Timothy (Laurie) Yoder of Sunrise, Fla., Mark (Glenda) Yoder of Weston, Fla., and David (Jane) Yoder of Bremen. Also surviving are 30 grandchildren and 27 great-grandchildren.

Services will be held Sunday, April 20, 2008, at 2 p.m. at Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen. Burial will be Bremen Cemetery. Visitation is Saturday from 3 to 7 p.m. at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be given to World Missionary Press in New Paris.

Clem H., Jr. Miller Date of Death 4/17/2008

ROCHESTER — Clem H. Miller Jr., 81, of Rochester, died Thursday, April 17 at 2:30 p.m. at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Miller was born June 25, 1926 to Clem and Elba (Hott) Miller Sr. in Monterey and lived in the Rochester area since 1963. He was a 1944 graduate of Argos High School.

He married Jean I. Neidlinger on Nov. 27, 1947 at the Argos United Methodist Church. He and his wife’s dreams came true with the acquisition of their farm ground south of Rochester which they purchased from the McMahon family in 1962.

In addition to grain operations, Miller loved raising Black Angus and oversaw, bred and raised a fine herd. He also raised incredible sweet corn and was known for his delicious strawberries. He and Jean often went to Michigan for peaches, cherries and raspberries.

Miller was a man who loved his land and his family. Many produce lovers will recall seeing Miller and grandson Greg at the Miller Fresh Sweet Corn stand situated on Wabash Avenue and 18th Street during the months of July through August.

He enjoyed the morning sales and seeing friends and customers their family pleased with their highly sought after “Incredible Sweet Corn” and last summer, their delectable “Ambrosia Sweet Corn.” From the late 1980s to the late 90s those who enjoyed strawberries will remember the same location where Miller and his family harvested and sold strawberries.

During early spring, when temperatures would drop, Miller would stay up late at night to oversee the irrigation system protecting the tender plants from frost. This year was no exception on the farm as he assisted with preparations for the planting season.

Just last week he was pulling fence line with his Bobcat. With great pride this dedicated farmer enjoyed observing the harvest riding high in the combine and planting crops on his shiny, red, Case-International Harvester. In the spring of the year the collection of Maple Syrup beckoned Miller and his wife to Nappanee where they watched the processing of the sweet syrup.

While in Amish Country, Miller marveled and admired the working horses-especially the Clydesdales and Belgians. As the patriarch of the family, Miller was loved and respected by his children, grandchildren and great-granddaughter.

He instilled a love for the land, and work ethic for the family to follow with a special love only shared by Grandpa.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a son-in-law, Steve Fellers; a sister, Cleta Nelson and a brother, Herman Miller.
He is survived by his wife, Jean of Rochester; a daughter, Eileen Fellers of Rochester; two sons: Tom Miller and Charlie (Katie) Miller also of Rochester; a brother, Richard L. (Barbara) Miller of Argos; six grandchildren: Brad (Kimi) Fellers of Rochester, Cory Fellers of Beaverton, Ore., Lori Fellers of Rochester, Joe (Brianne) Miller of Rochester, Sarah Miller of Indianapolis and Greg Miller of Rochester and one great-granddaughter, Courtney Fellers of Rochester.

Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Saturday, April 26 at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Private, family, funeral services will be held with Dr. Mark Spencer officiating. Burial will follow at Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association or to the charity of one's choice.

Edith B. Daley  Date of Death 4/18/2008

KOONTZ LAKE — Edith B. Daley, 80, died Friday, April 18, 2008 at Millers Merry Manor, Walkerton, Ind.

She is survived by her husband, Peter E. Daley; two daughters: Sandra (Mike) Ross of Walkerton and Karen (Steve) Cole of Knox; four sons: Peter Daley II of Walkerton, John Daley of Tyner, Randy (Rose) Daley of Grovertown and Ronald (Yvonne) Daley of Grovertown; 22 grandchildren, 37 great-grandchildren and six great-great-grandchildren.

Graveside services will take place Saturday, April 26 at 1 p.m. (CDT) at Crown Hill Cemetery, Knox. Cremation has taken place.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Starke County Humane Society, 104 W. State Rd. 10, North Judson, IN 46366.

Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

Alta E. (Magnuson) Kime  Date of Death 4/18/2008

CASSVILLE, MO — Alta E. (Magnuson) Kime, 73, of Cassville, Mo., died Friday, April 18, at her home.

She is survived by two sons, Randy Kime and his friend, Beryl Parrish of Purdy, Mo. And Ricky Kime of Cassville, Mo.; two daughters, Rhonda Magnuson and her husband, Jeff of Willard, Mo. And Becky Herr and her husband, Dennis of Joplin, Mo.; one sister, Cleo Shidler and her husband, Bob of LaPaz; four brothers, Carl Magnuson and his wife, Mary of Plymouth, John Magnuson and his wife, Mary of Sebring, Fla., Ivan Magnuson and his wife Shirley of Plymouth, and Ralph Magnuson and his wife Treva of Sebring, Fla.; seven grandchildren, one foster son, Tim Berta Kime of Evansville, and many other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held at 1 p.m., Sunday, April 20, in Fohn Funeral Home, Cassville.

Pastor Brad Lowrie conducted the services. Burial will be in Oak Hill Cemetery, Cassville.

Visit www.fohnfuneralhome.com for online obituaries, guestbook and private condolences.

Sandra L. Landry-Schuh  Date of Death 4/18/2008

CULVER — Sandra L. Landry-Schuh, 70, of Culver, passed away on Friday, April 18, 2008, at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center in Plymouth. She was born Feb. 7, 1938, in Harvey, Ill., to Howard and Mary (Brazier) Hill.

In 1956, she married Wayne Landry. He preceded her in death in 1979. She was also preceded
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in death by her lifetime companion Noble Weldy.

In 1969, Sandy moved to Bass Lake from Illinois. She also lived in Bremen and Culver. She was a mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and a Guiding Light to all who crossed her path. She was a devout Christian.

Survivors include three daughters: Susan Lamb of Sidney, Iowa, June (Jeffrey) MacDonald-Krieg of Culver and Lorrie (Todd) Golden of Leesburg; three sons: Wayne (Sandy) Landry Jr. of Knox, Todd (Laurie) Landry of Silver Lake and Steven E. Landry of Mishawaka; three sisters; one brother; numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, Wayne; companion Noble Weldy; one daughter, Candy Landry-Biddle; four sisters; and one brother.

Services will be held Thursday, April 24, 2008, at 7 p.m. at Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen. Burial will be at the Masonic Cemetery in Culver. Friends may call from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursday prior to the service at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be given to the family.

Thelma Harris Boetsma  Date of Death 4/19/2008

Thelma Harris Boetsma, 84, beloved mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, stepped into eternity to be home with the Lord Saturday, April 19. She lived with her son and daughter-in-law in Gilbert, Ariz. She was born Dec. 16, 1923 in Star City, Saskatchewan, Canada, to Fred and Maude Savage Harris Kneeves who have preceded her in death. She was preceded in death by husband, Joe Boetsma; daughter and son-in-law, Sandra and Clyde Craft; brothers: Francis and Clarence Harris; and sisters: Margie Kreighbaum and Edna Brower.

She is survived by sister, Rena Follmer; children: Larry (Anita) Boetsma, Debra (Allen) Mechling and Cynthia (Timothy) Decker. She is also survived by nine grandchildren: Steven Boetsma and Erica Partin, Daniel, Stephanie and Isaac Mechling, and Caleb, Kyle, Kirsten and Colson Decker and five great-grandchildren: Harry and Austin Partin, Sierra and Michael Boetsma, and Gavin Mechling.

Thelma worked in the family re-upholstery and then new furniture business in Culver. She and her husband of 67 years moved to Hobe Sound, Fla. In 1979. There she volunteered at a Chapel Crusaders Mission. They moved to Indianapolis in 1999 and went to Gilbert, Ariz. In December 2006. She will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her.

Arrangements are entrusted to Bonine-Odom Funeral Home in Culver. Visitation will be Sunday, April 27 from 3 to 6 p.m. and Monday from 1 to 2 p.m. Funeral service is at 2 p.m. Monday, April 28 at the funeral home. Contributions may be made to Hospice of the Valley, 1510 E Flower St. Phoenix, AZ 85014.

Condolences may be sent to the family via the obituary page at www.bonineodom.com

Kamdin Aiyana Deisch  Date of Death 4/19/2008

BREMEN — Kamdin Aiyana Deisch, 4 months, of Bremen, died April 19 at 12:05 p.m. at Memorial Hospital in South Bend.

She is survived by her parents, Casey and Sundown Deisch; grandparents: Ron and Elaine Brown of Lakeville, Becky Bailey of Bremen and Dave and Fortune Deisch of Nappanee; great-grandparents: Phyllis Mishler of Nappanee, Frank Deisch of South Bend, Sam and Lorraine Fisher of Lakeville and Louise Stahl of Cunningham, Ky.

Visitation will take place Wednesday, April 23 from 4 to 8 p.m. at RiverOaks Community Church,
Funeral services will take place Thursday, April 24 at 1 p.m. at the church with burial to follow at Bremen Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee, is in charge of arrangements.

**Sister Claudine Magolske  Date of Death 4/19/2008**

DONALDSON — Sister Claudine Magolske, P.H.J.C., 85, of Donaldson, died April 19 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

She is survived by a sister, Anna Harmon of Falliston, Md.

Visitation will take place Wednesday, April 23 from 4:30 to 9 p.m. at the Catherine Casper Home Chapel.

Funeral services will take place on Thursday, April 24 at 11 a.m. at the chapel with burial to follow at Mount Carmel Cemetery, Donaldson.

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

**Elizabeth Ann (Zehner) Reynolds  Date of Death 4/19/2008**

MONTEREY — Elizabeth Ann (Zehner) Reynolds passed away unexpectedly April 19, 2008 at St. Joseph Hospital, Joliet, Ill.

Beth was born March 26, 1960 in Rochester, Ind. to Don and Ruth (Keller) Zehner of Monterey. She lived her entire life in the Monterey community.

Beth graduated from Culver Community High School in 1978 and from Indiana State Univ. in 1981. She married Jacob Linn Reynolds on Sept. 22, 1984 at St. Anne's Catholic Church in Monterey. She was a devoted wife and mother, a wonderful daughter, sister and friend. She was an active member of St. Anne Church. She was a dedicated employee of Miller’s Merry Manor in Culver for the past 25 years as the Office Manager.

Survivors include her husband of 23 years, Jacob Linn Reynolds; her children: Heather, Erik, Tiffany and Bryce; her parents, Don and Ruth (Keller) Zehner; mother-in-law, Betty Reynolds of Rochester; brothers: Don Zehner (Pam) of Logansport, Greg Zehner (Mary) of Monterey, August Zehner (Kathy) of Anderson; and her sister, Sharon (Larry) Yelaska of Channahon, Ill. Also surviving are her brothers-in-law: Mark Reynolds of Rochester and Dana (Nona) Reynolds of Lafayette, and sister-in-law, Debbie (Tim) Wilson of Kewanna.

Beth was preceded in death by her grandparents, Clem and Marjorie Keller and August and Anna Zehner; a nephew, Benjamin Michael Zehner; and her father-in-law, Don Reynolds of Rochester.

Services will be held at St. Anne’s Catholic Church in Monterey Thursday, April 24 at 10 a.m. with Fr. Bert Woolson officiating. Burial will be in St. Anne’s Cemetery, Monterey. Visitation will be at Bonine-Odom Funeral Home in Culver Wednesday, April 23 from 3 to 8 p.m. with a Scriptural Wake Service at 7:30. Messages of condolence may be sent to the family at gwo@Bonineodom.com This e-mail address is being protected from spam bots, you need JavaScript enabled to view it .

A memorial fund has been established at the First National Bank of Monterey to assist in the educational needs of her children. Contributions can be made to the Beth Reynolds Memorial Fund.
Lawrence Edward "Ed" Bolin  Date of Death 4/20/2008

MISHAWAKA — Lawrence Edward “Ed” Bolin, 75, died at his residence on the Sunday, April 20, 2008.

On Dec. 18, 1932 in Mishawaka he was born as the son of Lawrence and Bessie (Becraft) Bolin. He was preceded in death by his parents. On Sept. 12, 1953 he married Nancy Cather who preceded him in death on Nov. 27, 1985. On Dec. 28, 1986 in Mishawaka he married Connie Gooding Cather.

Surviving Ed are his wife Connie; three children: Kim (Neal Corman) Cordill of Chicago, IL, Greg (Marsha) Bolin of South Bend and Julie (Randy) Joers of Granger; two stepchildren: Chris (Jim) Scott of West Lafayette and Curt (Kim) Cather of Osceola; 11 grandchildren: Lindsay, Lucas, Taylor and Corrie Bolin, RJ and Katie Joers, Samantha, Sydney and Brittney Scott and Kirsten and Kyle Cather; a brother, Ray (Mary Ann) Bolin of Nashville, Ind.; a sister Phylliss (Joe) Oblinger of South Bend and a cousin Dick Love of Mishawaka.

Ed worked for Kuert Concrete as a Heavy Equipment Operator for 43 years before he retired in 1995. He was a member of Coalbush United Methodist Church, Club 15 in Mishawaka, the Penn South Fire Department, Retired Operating Engineer’s, Mishawaka Alumni Association and the American Legion in Osceola. He was also a member of Penn Boosters and Mishawaka Fast Pitch Softball.

Family and friends may visit Today, Tuesday, April 22 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. in Hahn Funeral Home, 505 W. 8th St., Mishawaka. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m., with visitation one hour prior in the church, on Wednesday, April 23 in Coalbush United Methodist Church, Mishawaka with Rev. Jim Davidson officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery, Mishawaka.

Memorial contributions can be to Coalbush United Methodist Church, 15977 Jackson Rd., Mishawaka, IN 46544 or to American Heart Association/American Stroke Association Memorial & Tributes Lockbox, 3816 Paysphere Circle, Chicago, IL 60674.

To leave the family an online condolence or to share memories with the family, please visit our Web site www.hahnfuneralhomes.com.

Allen R. Frenger  Date of Death 4/20/2008

BOURBON — Allen R. Frenger, 86, of 606 N. Harris St., Bourbon, passed away Sunday, April 20, 2008 in Life Care Center Nursing Home of Rochester.

Allen was born the son of Peter Frenger and Pearl Stump Frenger on Oct. 26, 1921 in the family home at Bremen. He was a resident of the Bourbon most of his life.

He was employed as a Postal Carrier for the United States Post Office retiring in 1985.

He was married May 4, 1946 to Monna Burcham who survives.

Allen is survived by his wife, Monna of Mandeville, La., his three sons: Peter Frenger of Rochester, Steve Frenger and Gary (Christine) Frenger, all of Bonanza, Ore.; and his daughter; Cindi (David) Griffin of Mandeville, La. He also has four grandchildren: Kara and Todd Lemler of Warsaw, Scott Frenger of Bonanza, Ore., Jennifer Griffin of Ventura, Calif. and Lauren Griffin of Slidell, La., along with a great-grandson, Jared Lemler. A sister, Mable Frenger Stevens of Bremen also survives.

Allen was a Veteran of the United States Army serving during World War II in multiple theaters. He was a member of the Bourbon American Legion Post #424, Veteran of Foreign Wars Post
Deborah E. Millice  Date of Death 4/20/2008

KOONTZ LAKE — Deborah E. Millice, 54, died Sunday, April 20, 2008 in her home.

She is survived by her husband, James Millice; son, Jack Moerman of Walkerton; two granddaughters; her parents, Charles and Gloria Barko of Koontz Lake; sisters: Lisa (Thomas) Mencke of Homewood, Ill. And Lori Barko of Crestwood, Ill.; and brothers: Jack (Gretchen) Barko and Robert Barko, all of Orland Park, Ill.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held Thursday at 11 a.m. CDT in St. Patrick’s Church of Walkerton. Burial will be at the Woodlawn Cemetery, Walkerton. Visitation is Wednesday from 4 to 8 p.m. CDT and Thursday 10 to10:30 a.m. at Rannells Funeral, Koontz Lake Chapel.

Memorial contributions may be given to 1st Source Bank toward an education fund for her granddaughters.

Richard M. Simpson  Date of Death 4/20/2008

PLYMOUTH – Richard M. Simpson, a Marshall County area resident for the last 15 years, died of Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis at his residence, 11975 11th Rd., Plymouth, at 5:30 a.m. on Sunday, April 20, 2008. He was 56 years old.

With all of the qualities of a good man, it was said of Richard that he only improved with age.

Born in South Bend, Ind., on Oct. 12, 1951, Richard was the son of Lawrence J. and Margaret Stombaugh Simpson.

A graduate of New Prairie High School, he earned his B.S. from Indiana University.

On Aug. 12, 1978, in Lydick, Ind., Richard and Doreen K. Thompson were married.

Richard was a manager for Teachers Credit Union for 29 years. He retired in 2008.

An enthusiastic I.U. fan, he enjoyed sports. He loved his family deeply and enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren.

Richard is survived by his wife and by their three sons. They are: Joshua (Erin) Simpson of Mishawaka., Jacob Simpson of Nappanee and Justin (Amanda) Simpson of Mentor, Ohio.

A granddaughter, Vayda Simpson of Mentor, Ohio, and two grandsons: Josiah and Locke Simpson, both of Mishawaka, also survive.

Richard’s mother, Margaret Simpson of New Carlisle, and four sisters and a brother survive as well. They are sisters: Ardith (Buck) Terry of Springdale, Ariz., Nancy Geist of New Carlisle, Kathy (Ed) Kinney of Littleton, Colo. and Sally (Rob) Mattasits of New Carlisle; and brother,
Robert (Marlene) Simpson of Mishawaka.

Numerous nieces and nephews also survive.

Richard was preceded in death by his father, Lawrence and a brother-in-law, Ernie Geist.

Friends are invited to celebrate Richard's life with his family on Tuesday, April 22, 2008, from 4 to 8 p.m. and on Wednesday, April 23, 2008, after 7 a.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1110 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Richard will be held at 11 a.m. On Wednesday, April 23, 2008, in the funeral home. The Rev. Paul Baldwin, pastor of River Valley Church, Mishawaka, will officiate.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorials in Richard's name may be made to the Pulmonary Fibrosis Foundation.

Sharing memories and offering condolences may be sent to the family via: www.johnson-danielson.com

Al Gilley  Date of Death 4/21/2008

PLYMOUTH – Al Gilley was born in Muncie, Ind. on Aug. 18, 1920 to John and Flora Herndon Gilley. He lived most of his life in the Plymouth area.

He was married to Marge Wickey on April 20, 1946.

As the sun came out on Monday April 21, Plymouth lost one great person.

Al's joy was seen by all, whether it was the person next to him in line at the grocery store; with whom he would not be hesitant to make conversation. He was past commander of the V.F.W. Post 1162.

Al enlisted in the Army in October 1940 and spent 3 and 1/2 years in over 10 European countries. He served proudly during many of the biggest battles of World War II, including the Battle of the Bulge in December 1944, he was discharged September 1945.

After the war, Al continued to work for 38 years at Agway Seed; he worked for 10 years at the Plymouth Country Club Golf Course and Plymouth Rock.

He is survived by his wife, Marge and two daughters: Kaye Wilcox, Payson, Ariz. and Vickie Blair of Plymouth; three sons: Leonard J “Butch” Gilley of Plymouth, Jerry (Emma) Gilley of Jacksonville, Fla. and Rick (Julie) Gilley of Plymouth; grandchildren: Chris Gilley, Indianapolis; Jason (Jen) Kreighbaum; Mike (Candace) Gilley all of Plymouth; Aaron (Jessica) Gilley of Mentone; Patrick Gilley, Jacksonville, Fla.; Hilary “Jackie” Gilley West Palm Beach, Fla.; Christine Reed, West Palm Beach, Fla.; Mary (Gary) Lamken. Payson, Ariz.; Andrea Winquist of Flora; Kara Gilley, Plymouth; Valorie and Marcie Blair of Plymouth; and nine great-grandchildren survive as well.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Bev Kreighbaum; two sisters: Mildred Encles and Juanita Creghbam; and two brothers: Ben and Don Gilley.

Friends are invited to greet and share memories with Al’s family on Wednesday April 23, 2008 from 5 to 8 p.m. and on Thursday April 24, 2008 after 7 a.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m., officiated by the Rev. Fr. William Kummer, pastor of St. Michael Catholic Church, on Thursday, April 24, in the funeral home.
Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorials in Al’s name may be given to the American Cancer Society.

The family may receive online condolences through the funeral home’s Web site at www.johnson-danielson.com

Jollie Ray Back  Date of Death 4/22/2008

WALKERTON — Jollie Ray Back, 76, of Walkerton, died Tuesday, April 22, 2008 in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, South Bend.

He is survived by his wife, Olive; daughters: Linda (George) Truhler of Walkerton and Joni (Bruce) Bubenzer of Noblesville; sons: Greg (Cindy) Back of Tampa, Fla. And Garry Spaid of Winterhaven, Fla.; eight grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren; sisters: Evelyn Meyers, Opal Owens and Carrie Mann; brothers: Roger Back, Glasteer Back, Costello Back and Angelo Back.

Funeral services will be Saturday at 11 a.m. EDT at the Koontz Lake Missionary Church. Burial will be at the Woodlawn Cemetery, Walkerton. Visitation is Friday from 4 to 8 p.m. EDT at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel and at the church on Saturday after 10 a.m. A Masonic service will be held Friday at 8 p.m. at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Koontz Lake Missionary Church.

Thomas H. Gaddis  Date of Death 4/22/2008

BOISE, Idaho — Thomas H. Gaddis, 90, formerly of Plymouth, died at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, April 22, 2008, in St. Luke’s Hospital, Boise, Idaho.

Tom was born Dec. 19, 1917 in Haymond, Ky. He was the son of Martin Vest and Francis Davis Gaddis. When Tom was 5, the family moved from Kentucky where his father had been a foreman in the coal mines to join their grandparents who had already relocated to Chicago. It was in Chicago where Tom grew up working various jobs to help support the family through the depression. And on one of his jobs he met Evelyn Ruth Witter who he married April 9, 1937 in Crown Point. Their first born child was a son, Thomas Lee; and it was shortly after Tommy’s birth that WWII broke out and Tom enlisted in the Navy and served as a CB in the Alaskan Aleutian Islands. After the War Tom returned home to Munster, and their second child, Virginia Carol, was born. The couple had nearly 66 years together both active in the Munster Community, Masonic and the Presbyterian Church.

Tom and Evelyn started Gaddis Construction company and later brought in a third partner Steve and Evea Bachnak who had successful business, partnership and friendship for over 30 years. Tom retired in 1980 to spend more time being a snowbird while boating, fishing and playing golf; an activity that both Tom and Evelyn enjoyed.

While living in the Pretty View condos, Tom was a member of the Plymouth Country Club. He was a Mason for over 50 years.

Tom is survived by a daughter, Virginia, and a son-in-law, Gary Gribben of Boise, Idaho; daughter-in-law, Pat Gaddis of Hammond and three grandchildren: Carol Lee, Thomas Ray (Carey) Gaddis and T. Matthew Gribben; and three great-grandchildren: Noah, Leighann and Caleb.


Tom was preceded in death by his wife; son, Thomas; and brother, Martin Gaddis; and sisters Virginia, Esther, and Francis.
Marshall County, Indiana Obituaries

Friends are invited to celebrate the life of Thomas Gaddis with his family, from noon to 2 p.m. on Saturday, April 26, 2008, at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services will follow visitation at 2 p.m. on Saturday in the funeral home. The Rev. Paul Nye, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church and the Rev. Dr. Ron Liechty, will officiate.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Tom's memory may be made to First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth, Trinity Presbyterian Church of Boise or The CARE Club of Boise.

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

Lydia M. Stigall  Date of Death 4/22/2008

ROCHESTER — Lydia M. Stigall, 87, formerly of Hamlet, died Tuesday, April 22, 2008 in Hickory Creek Health Care Center, Rochester.

Survivors include daughters: Louise Stevens of Plymouth, Barbara Feltner and Patsy Zeiger, both of Rochester, Glenda Greer of Plymouth and Fredia Adams of Knox; 15 grandchildren, 33 great-grandchildren, seven great-great grandchildren; sisters: Juanita “Junie” Stevens of Morehead, Ky., Bobby Lu Johnson of Ingalls and Martha Jessie of Seymour, Ill.; and brother, Leonard Messer of Knox.

Funeral services will be Saturday at 1 p.m. CDT at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel. Burial will be in the Fletcher Cemetery, Hamlet. Visitation is Saturday from 10 a.m. until the time of services at the funeral home.

Kenneth D. Klingerman  Date of Death 4/25/2008

Kenneth D. Klingerman, 69, of Casa Grande, Ariz. Passed away on April 25, 2008 in Chandler, Ariz. He was born on Feb. 13, 1939 in Bremen to Theodore and Mary Klingerman. He moved with his wife, of 47 years to Arizona more than 16 years ago from Chesterfield, Mo. Where he worked as a Consultant for the Oman Oil Ministry and as District Regional Manager for Clark Oil & refining. He enjoyed his hobbies which were fishing, wood working, and spending time with his wife and their seven grandchildren. Ken was a private pilot and scratch golfer but bragged of neither.

He is survived by his loving wife Iris, sons; Kirt (Robyn) and Jeff (Kim) and daughter Krista Woolbright (Michael), and grandchildren; Clayton, Brenna, Tiffany, Kody and Nicholas Klingerman and Rebecca and Tyler Woolbright.

Memorial services will be held Saturday, May 3, 2008 at 1 p.m. at Living Bread Church, 6906 West Highway 100 Washington, MO 63090.

Memorial contributions may be made to the church, American Heart Association or the Arizona Diabetes Foundation. He will be missed by everyone who knew and loved him. Arrangements by Hansen Mortuary.

Victoria Lee Meneely  Date of Death 4/26/2008

ARGOS – Victoria Lee Meneely, 52, died at 7:45 a.m. on Saturday, April 26, 2008, at her residence, 408 N. First St., Argos.

Victoria was born in Chicago on Aug. 10, 1955. She was the daughter of Ray and Helen Pauley
Phillips

On March 27, in Pennsylvania, she was married to James Jeffrey Meneely.

A housewife, she was an avid reader and loved music and playing with her grandchildren.

Victoria is survived by her husband James and by two sons and a daughter. Her sons are Jerry Phillips, Chicago, and Adam (Lisa) Meneely, Plymouth. Her daughter is Heather Meneely, Argos.

Two grandchildren, Koleman Norris, Argos, and Triniti Meneely, Plymouth, also survive together with her mother Helen, three sisters and a brother. They are Debbie (Donald) Ritter; Susan (Warren) Howard, all of Chicago, Terri (Cameron) Cambell, Ontario, Canada, and James Phillips, Chicago.

Victoria was preceded in death by her father, Ray Phillips.

Following her wishes there will be no visitation and no funeral services.

The Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1110 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, is helping the family with arrangements.

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

Frances Cora Nicodemus  Date of Death 4/27/2008

AKRON — Frances Cora Nicodemus, 86, of Akron, died at 5:43 p.m. Sunday, April 27 at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

She is survived by a daughter, Charlotte Givens of Akron; one granddaughter; one great-granddaughter; sister, Ida Mickle of Medway, Ohio; and sisters-in-law, Lucile Lewis of Kewanna, Louise Nicodemus of Akron and Grace Edgar of Atlanta, Mich.

Visitation is Wednesday, April 30 from 4 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to the service Thursday at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Funeral services are Thursday, May 1 at 10:30 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at the Athens Cemetery. Military graveside rites will be conducted by the LeRoy Shelton and the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Arthur C. O'Keefe  Date of Death 4/27/2008

Arthur C. O'Keefe, formerly of Plymouth died Sunday, April 27, 2008 in Ocala, Fla.

He is survived by sons: Patrick (Linda) O'Keefe of Dowagie, Mich., Kevin (Cathy) O'Keefe of Bremen and Shawn (Linda) O'Keefe of Plymouth; and a daughter Colleen of Bremen. He was preceded in death by his parents and son Timothy.

Private services will be held at a later date. Neptune Society, Palm Harbor, Fla., is assisting with the arrangements.

Hal Parks Groninger  Date of Death 4/28/2008

PLYMOUTH — Hal Parks Groninger, 92, living at 220 West St., for the past 28 years, died of natural causes at his home in the care of his family and Hospice, at 7:25 a.m. on Monday morning, April 28, 2008. Hal had lived in Plymouth 60 years, coming from Carroll County.

Hal was quite a guy. Thirty-eight years ago, he won the annual Toastmaster’s Bull-Throwing Speech contest in South Bend.

He could have won it again — hands down, against anybody. No one could tell a story or a joke like Hal Groninger.
He will be greatly missed.

Born in Rockfield, Ind., between Logansport and Lafayette, on Nov. 11, 1915, Hal was the son of Parks Douglas and Ethel M. (Connarroe) Groninger. He graduated from Rockfield High School in 1933 and continued to help his father on the family farm.

On Aug. 4, 1937, Hal and his childhood sweetheart, Mildred V. Bowman, were married in Rockfield. Mildred died on Feb. 25, 1972. On Jan. 1, 1973, he and Patsy Jo Wright were married in Plymouth.

He told folks that he, a self-proclaimed “people person,” had been so lonely and that ‘Patsy Jo” was the best thing that could have happened to him. They were married for 35 years and have five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Hal never shied from work and he had plenty of different jobs. He worked in a ladies shoe store, earning $7 a week. He worked as a soda jerk at Fleming’s Ice Cream Parlor on Lincoln Way West in Mishawaka and he drove a semi for Drewry’s Brewery.

He was a mechanic and “a pretty good farmer.”

He was called up into the Army, but WWII ended before he had a chance to serve. After the war, he sold his farm and did landscaping with Mormon Minerals.

But most of all, he was the consummate traveling salesman. He worked with various wholesale feed companies: Nappanee Milling and Sun Ray Wholesale Feed in Culver. He was with Syler’s Inc. in Plymouth for 17 years and later with Albers Milling for six more.

For 10 years, Hal and Pat owned and operated, “Fun and Games Arcade” in Plymouth.

The person that had the most fun there was Hal.

His last job (for 14 years) until this past January was as he put it — a 92-year-old “Bagger Boy” three days a week with Martin’s Super Market in Plymouth. He always had a smile and a joke for the ladies.

Until recently, he played duplicate bridge and did his own yard work. He loved to golf and read. He played poker and euchre and was a great Notre Dame fan.

A dedicated Presbyterian, he was a member of the First Presbyterian Church for the past 60 years. Hal testified that “the Lord helped me a lot. When I needed Him, He came down.”

Hal had kept a journal since 1982. In the back of Volume I are 432 rules to follow during the Christmas holidays. His philosophy was not to worry about the little things. Everyday is an important day.

He is survived by his loving wife, Pat and by four children. His daughter, Jane A. Bechaka lives in Chicago, Ill. She has a daughter, Nicole. A son, Douglas L. and his wife, Rhonda, are in Colorado Springs, Colo. Their children are Douglas Jr., Mara and Lee.

Hal also has twin sons, Garry Parks and Valerie Groninger, San Jose, Calif., and Garry’s daughter Carly and Larry Earl and Debra Groninger, Colorado Springs, Colo.

Four great-grandchildren also survive together with a sister, Love C. Fitzgerald, Indianapolis.

Hal was also preceded in death by two sisters and a brother. They are: Beth Carman Groninger, Marzell Shaw and Ren Groninger.
Marshall County, Indiana Obituaries

Friends are invited to join with his family to celebrate the life of Hal Groninger Wednesday, April 30, 2008, from 4 to 7 p.m. (and after 7 a.m. on Thursday, May 1) at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1110 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Hal will be held in the funeral home Thursday, May 1, 2008, at 11 a.m. The Rev. Tom Padberg, chaplain of The Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, Inc., will officiate.

Memorial gifts in Hal’s memory may be made to the First Presbyterian Church, 401 N. Walnut St., Plymouth, IN  46563

To share memories and express condolences, you may send messages to the family via the Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com

Wayne D. Hissong  Date of Death 4/28/2008

LEITERS FORD — Wayne D. Hissong, 87, of Leiters Ford, died in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center in Plymouth on Monday morning, April 28, 2008.

Wayne was born in Argos to Lawrence and Carrie Hissong. His parents preceded him in death as did his brother, Loren Hissong.

On Oct. 21, 1956, he married Barbara Reinholt, who also preceded him in death. They were married 39 years and together had three children who survive, Valerie (Kevin) Staples of South Bend, Vince (Becky) Hissong of Leiters Ford and Van (Theresa) Hissong of Culver. His son from a previous marriage, Paul (Vicky) Sudlow lives in Billings, Mo. Wayne has eight grandchildren: Isaac Hissong, Alexandra and Patrick Staples, and Madeline, Morgan, Sam, Gabriel, and Savannah Hissong.

Wayne graduated from Argos High School and worked in construction until his retirement. He was a proud WWII veteran having served for 4 1/2 years in the 2nd Armored Division and the 712th Tank Battalion. He was awarded the Purple Heart, a silver battle star, and several other ribbons and medals. Wayne maintained close friendships with his comrades in the years since the war. He traveled each fall to the 712th Tank Battalion reunions to renew friendships and recount stories.

For Wayne, there was no baseball team but the Chicago Cubs. He also enjoyed golf, fishing and time with family and friends. He was a member of the Collins-Tasch American Legion Post 399 in Monterey, the Finney-Shilling VFW Post 6919 of Culver, and the Maxinkuckee Independent Order of Odd Fellows of Culver. Wayne was a loving husband, father and grandfather and will be missed by his family and many friends.

Viewing will be held at the Bonine-Odom Funeral Home in Culver Thursday, May 1 from 4 to 8 p.m. EDT. Funeral services will be held at the funeral home on Friday, May 2 at 11a.m. EDT. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to the Finney-Shilling VFW Post 6919 of Culver or to the Collins-Tasch American Legion Post 399 of Monterey.

Condolences may be sent via the obituary page at www.bonineodom.com.

Aaron Stacy  Date of Death 4/28/2008

KNOX — Aaron Stacy, 73, of Knox, died Monday, April 28, 2008 at home.

He is survived by his wife, Marie Stacy of Knox; son, Aaron (Ernie) Stacy Jr. of Knox; daughter, Laura Annette Coffin of Grovertown; five grandchildren; and sisters: Georgia Howard of Lima, Ohio, Dorsey McKinney of Ft. Myers, Fla., Meda Klingerian of Plymouth, Freda Bailey of North Judson and Glenna Bunton of Plymouth.

Visitation is Thursday, May 1 from 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. at Braman & Son Memorial
Evieanna "Wendy" Kinne  Date of Death 4/29/2008

PLYMOUTH – Evieanna “Wendy” Kinne, 56, 6th Road, Plymouth, went home to be with her Lord and Savior on Tuesday, April 29, 2008 in Memorial Hospital, South Bend.

Wendy was born in West Virginia, the daughter of Robert and Mary Sexton on April 8, 1952. She attended school in West Virginia.

On March 17, 1995, in Plymouth, Wendy and John Kinne were married in Plymouth.

A homemaker, she enjoyed fishing, gardening and cooking. She liked to look at catalogs and spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren.

Wendy is survived by John, her husband, and by two daughters, Michelle (Hugh) Yoder, Milford and Robin Luce, Rochester.

Four granddaughters, Haley Yoder, Rochester, Adrieanna and Sarah Yoder Milford and Hannah Luce, Rochester, and a grandson, Steven Yoder, also of Milford, survive as well.

A sister, Colleen Sexton, Lexington, Mich., and a brother, Robert Sexton, also of Lexington, also survive.

Wendy was preceded in death by two sisters, Mary Jo Jackson and Roberta Sexton.

Friends are invited to share memories of Wendy with her family from 2 to 6 p.m. on Sunday, May 4, 2008, at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth. Visitation will continue after 7 a.m. on Monday, May 5.

Funeral services for Wendy will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday, May 5, 2008, in the funeral home with Pastor Charles Krieg officiating.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

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

Edward A. Schaefer  Date of Death 4/29/2008

NORTH JUDSON — Edward A. Schaefer, 58, of North Judson, died Wednesday, April 29, 2008 at home.

He is survived by his wife, Patricia Schaefer of North Judson; sons: Eric Schaefer of Knox, Kevin Schaefer of Flowery Branch, Ga. And Jeremy Schaefer of North Judson; daughters: Carrie Belue of Portage, Dawn Schaefer of North Judson and Natalie Schaefer of Lake Station; and sisters: Sandy Mills of Plymouth and Connie Perez of Burns Harbor.

Visitation is Friday, May 2 from 2 to 8 p.m. at Braman & Bailey Funeral Home, North Judson. Funeral services are Friday at 8 p.m. at the funeral home. Cremation will take place.

Nancy Marie Lawmaster Wicker  Date of Death 4/29/2008

GREENSBORO, N.C. — Nancy Marie Lawmaster Wicker, 48, of Greensboro, N.C., formerly of Bourbon, died on Tuesday afternoon, April 29, 2008 at University of North Carolina Hospital of injuries she suffer in a single car crash last weekend.
She was born the daughter of the late Clifford Lawmaster and Eva Thompson Lawmaster on Oct. 20, 1959 in Warsaw, and had been a resident of the Greensboro area for the past 25 years moving there from Bourbon.

Nancy was married to Howard Bradley Wicker who survives along with two sons: Clint Lovendahl and Clifford Lovendahl, both of the Greensboro, N.C. area. She is also survived by her mother, Eva Lawmaster of Pierceton; a sister, Sandra (Glenn) Disher of Bourbon and a brother, Larry (Osie) Lawmaster of Pierceton.

She was preceded in death by her father and two brothers, Gary and Bruce.

Nancy was a teacher assistant at Pleasant Garden Elementary School sin 1993.

"Nancy was a very loving, kind, generous person," said kindergarten teacher Marty Hodgin, who had worked in the same room with Nancy for the past two years. "The children adored her. She was very positive and she always had a positive attitude with the children."

"We’d been together for two years," she said. "The parents loved her. The children loved her. I’ve been getting a lot of support from the community and the school. We were co-workers, but we were friends too. We laughed a lot, and we had fun at our job." "She was a very positive influence on a lot of kids' lives," said Hodgin.

The 23 boys and girls in Mrs. Hodgin’s class wrote farewell notes to their friend. They taped messages to balloons and took them to the Pleasant Garden Elementary School playground and released them sending messages into the endless blue sky.

She will be greatly missed by all.

The family will receive friends from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, May 8 in the Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home at 115 S. Main St. Bourbon, and for one hour before services in the church Friday.

A funeral service to celebrate Nancy’s life will be held on Friday, May 9 at 10:30 a.m. at Bourbon First United Methodist Church with Rev. Mark Day officiating.

Burial will follow in the Pleasant Hill Cemetery at Bourbon, Indiana.

The family requests any memorial contributions be made to: Mothers Against Drunk Drivers or Riley Children’s Hospital in her memory.

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

**Keith Winterrowd  Date of Death 4/29/2008**

PIERCETON — Keith Winterrowd, 85, of Pierceton, died Tuesday, April 29, 2008 at 12:40 a.m. at Miller’s Merry Manor, Syracuse.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy Winterrowd of Pierceton; daughters: Karen Winterrowd of Fort Wayne and Mrs. Jim (Carla) Hamilton of Goshen; son, Dean Opdycke of Fremont; sister, Martha Schroeder of Lakeland, Fla.; eight grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Services will be held at McHatton-Sadler Funeral Chapel, Pierceton, Friday, May 2 at 11 a.m. Visitation was held from 3 to 7 p.m. at the funeral chapel Thursday, May 1. Burial will be at Bremen Cemetery, Bremen, with military rites by North Webster American Legion Post #253.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Kosciusko County Cancer Care Fund, 117 W. Center St. Warsaw, IN 46580.
Gerald W., Rev Fish  Date of Death 4/30/2008

SACRAMENTO, CALIF. — Rev. Gerald W. Fish, 90, of Sacramento, Calif., formerly of Tiosa, Ind., died Wednesday, April 30, 2008 at 7:15 p.m. at his residence.

He is survived by his wife Burnette C. Fish of Sacramento, Calif.; a son, Kenton W. (Margaret) Fish of Las Vegas, Nev.; two grandsons: Gerald A. Fish of Las Vegas, Nev. And Michael Fish of Grand Haven, Mich.; two step-grandchildren; five great-grandchildren and three step-great-grandchildren.

Visitation will take place Tuesday May 6 from 1:30 p.m. at the Jordan Baptist Church, 11447 19th Road., Argos until funeral service begins.

Funeral services will take place at 2 p.m. Tuesday, May 6 at the church.

Burial will follow at Jordan Cemetery, Argos.

Memorial contributions may be made to World Gospel Missions, P.O. Box 948, Marion, IN, 46952.

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.

Charles Miller  Date of Death 4/30/2008

WARSAW — Charles Miller, 95, of Warsaw, died at 2:15 p.m. Wednesday, April 30, 2008 at Miller’s Merry Manor, Warsaw.

He is survived by his wife, Mabel; daughter, Karen (John) Fleck of San Diego, Calif.; son, Dennis (Teresa) Miller of Warsaw; five grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

A celebration of the life will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, May 2 at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Interment will follow at Rochester’s IOOF Cemetery. Visitation is from 10 a.m. until the hour of the service.

Memorials may made to the Talma United Methodist Church.

Marie C. Rice  Date of Death 4/30/2008

Marie C. Rice, 93, of Carmel, formerly of Bluffton, died at 8:15 a.m. Wednesday, April 30 at Manor Care at Summer Trace, Carmel.

She is survived by a son, Dr. Franklin D. (Christine) Wilson of Carmel; stepdaughter, Melba (Sam) Holmgren of Plymouth; stepsons: Gene (Sue) Rice of Columbia City and Ron (DiAnne) Rice of Ospray, Fla.; nine grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Saturday, May 3 from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Goodwin Memorial Chapel, Bluffton. Funeral services are Saturday at 3 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at Fairview Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the “Walk thru the Bible” program or Heartland Hospice at the funeral home.

Vere H. Stiver  Date of Death 4/30/2008

BOURBON — Vere H. Stiver, 86, of 601 Sunset Drive, Bourbon, passed away Wednesday, April
Vere was born the son of Roy Stiver and Eva Nine Stiver on June 10, 1921 at Warsaw. He was a resident of Bourbon since 1946.

He retired from Biomet Inc. of Warsaw as a machinist. He graduated from Atwood High School in the class of 1941.

He was married March 21, 1946 to Phyllis Cline who survives along with their two sons: Paul (Brenda) Stiver of Argos and Steve (Cindy) Stiver of Warsaw. He was also blessed with a grandson, Christopher, and two step-grandchildren. A sister Maxine Laughlin of Warsaw also survives.

He was preceded in death by two sisters and two brothers.

Vere was a faithful member of the First United Church of Christ in Bourbon. He was President of the Consistory and had taught the youth group at his church along with many other tasks and maintenance around the Church. He was a member of the Bourbon (Plymouth) Masonic Lodge and served as a past Master. He had served as “Rainbow Pop” for the Rainbow organization of the Masonic Lodge. He was a member of the Bourbon Lions Club where he served as Chaplin.

Vere served in the United States Navy during World II and during the Korean Conflict from 1941-1947 and 1950-1952. He was also a member of the Bourbon American Legion Post #424.

Vere loved serving others in the community. He worked several years with the Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home where he was able to share his compassion with others. He spent many hours in the local coffee shop sharing stories with others on a daily basis.

A funeral service to celebrate Vere’s life will be held Saturday, May 3 at 10:30 a.m. in First United Church of Christ with Rev. Linda Hewitt officiating.

The family will receive friends from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday, in the Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home at 115 S. Main St. Bourbon.

A Masonic Lodge service will be at 7 p.m. in the funeral home Friday.

Burial will follow in the Bremen Cemetery at Bremen with Military Honors.

The family requests any memorial contributions be made to: Bourbon (Multi Township) EMS or his Church in his memory.

The family of Vere Stiver wishes to thank the community for the outpouring support and concern shown to them throughout his illness. There were many people from the community who transported Vere to and from his dialysis appointments, doctors appointments or that helped in many different ways. May God Bless each and every one of you.

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

Lisa G. Denney  Date of Death 5/1/2008

PLYMOUTH — Lisa G. Denney, 47, of Plymouth, died at 5 a.m. on Thursday, May 1, 2008, at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, South Bend.

She is survived by her husband, Richard Denney of Plymouth; her parents, Anthony and Nellie Stults; a daughter, Chaneled Nicole Stults; a brother, Michael Stults; a sister Jacqueline Stults; a sister-in-law, Ann Stults; a nephew, Jason Stults and a niece, Michaela Stults.

The Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, is handling the arrangements.
A memorial service will be held at a later date.

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

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

**Alfred Spencer  Date of Death 5/1/2008**

HAMLET — Alfred Spencer, 64, died Thursday, May 1 at his home.

He is survived by two brothers, Arthur Spencer and Alan Spencer, both of Hamlet, and one sister, Anita Mulligan of Winlock, Wash. There will be no services or visitation.

Cremation will take place. Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel is handling arrangements.

**Kristi Jo Naylor Scruggs  Date of Death 5/2/2008**

PLYMOUTH — Kristi Jo Naylor Scruggs, 56, of Plymouth died at 11:40 a.m. Friday, May 2, 2008, at Pilgrim Manor Nursing Home in Plymouth.

She is survived by her sons: Phillip (Stacy) Scruggs of Brookston and Daniel (Rena) Scruggs of Stewartville, Minn.; three grandsons; and her brothers: Ronald (Susan) Naylor of Muncie, Michael (Anne) Naylor of Swansea, Ill., Kent (Gail) Naylor of Plymouth, and Mark (Jeannie) Naylor of Winchester, Va.

Memorial services will be held Saturday, May 17, 2008, at 11:30 a.m. at the First Presbyterian Church, Plymouth. Visitation is at 10 a.m. in the church until time of service at 11:30 a.m. A private interment will follow in New Oak Hill Cemetery.

The Van Gilder Funeral Home, Plymouth, is handling the arrangements.

**Stephen Louis Toth  Date of Death 5/2/2008**

HAMLET — Stephen Louis Toth, 60, died Friday, May 2, 2008, in LaPorte County, Ind.

He is survived by his wife, Donna; one daughter, Stefanie (Chris) Olson of LaPorte; one son, Donald (Dana) Toth of Hamlet; three grandchildren, Devon and Delilah Toth and Grant Olson; one brother, Daniel Toth Jr. of Union Mills.

Friends may call Tuesday, May 6 from 4 to 8 p.m. (CDT) at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel and Wednesday at the church after 10 a.m.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, May 7 at 11 a.m. CDT at the Knox United Methodist Church with Pastor Ray Squibb officiating.

Burial will be in the Fletcher Cemetery, Hamlet. Memorial contributions may be made to the Knox United Methodist Church in his memory.

**John William Epley  Date of Death 5/3/2008**

PLYMOUTH — John William Epley, resident of Plymouth, died at 5:50 a.m. Saturday, May 3, 2008 in Catherine Kasper Life Center, where he had been a patient the past two weeks.

He was born the son of Lawrence and Jessie Vain (White) Epley, on Dec. 23, 1923, Whiting, Lake County.

John attended Whiting High School and Indiana University. While in high school, he headed
John served in United States Army as a Sergeant from 1943 to 1945, CBI (China-Burma-India), was honorably discharged and awarded several medals, including a Battle Star and Presidential Unit Citation. He started a relief program for Hamburg, Germany, after the war and was honored with an award from that city for his post-war efforts.

From 1940 to 1955, he served as administrative assistant to two mayors of Whiting and was elected a precinct committeeman and also the Democratic City Chairman.

Employed by Amoco Oil Company (now BP) in 1955, he was then promoted to manager-production control scheduling, remaining in management until his retirement on Oct. 1, 1986, with more than 30 years service. He moved to Plymouth on Sept. 1, 1994.

John was proud of his heritage and received great pleasure in pursuit of genealogy, reading and staying informed. He was a member of many Who’s Who hereditary societies including the Alexis Coquillard Chapter, sons of the American Revolution, with soldier-patriots in both maternal and paternal sides of family: Founders and Patriots of America, Mac-Alasdair Clan (Scotland); Descendants of Godred Crovan, King of Dublin, Man and the Hebrides (Norse), Sons of the Union Veterans of the Civil War, Sons of Confederate Veterans, American Legion, Post No. 27, Plymouth, Life Member: Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post No. 1162, Plymouth, Life Member; Loyal Order of the Moose, Lodge #741, Plymouth, and others.

John was a unique person and a genealogist, prolific writer of family history, author of many volumes, with copies in the Library of Congress, History Library of the Church of Latter-Day Saints, libraries and historical societies around the United States. He was also nominated for “Who’s Who in the Midwest.”

He was preceded in death by his parents, a brother; Lawrence Everett Epley, sisters; Elsie Eveline Stinson, Lyda Fern Trahan Murphy, Hazel Dawn Leech Snyder, infant brother; Jarrett Epley, infant sister; Mae Epley, a nephew; Robert John Stinson and brother-in-law; Robert Stinson and niece, Dianne M. Tripodi, wife of Roland.

Survivors include nephews, Roland Everett Leech, Dale Robert (Patricia) Leech, all of Plymouth; nieces, Karen Dawn (Ron) VanDusen, Plymouth; Sherry Lee (Robert) Tuszynski, Naperville, Ill.; Janelle Linda (Walter) Jurkiewicz, Port Henry, N.Y.: great-nephews include; Bruce (Gabby) Tuszynski of Aurora, Ill., Robert R. Stinson, Jeffrey J. Stinson, both of Texas; Jason Robert Leech, Andrew Clayton "Drew" Leech, Dalton Trent VanDusen, all of Plymouth; great-nieces, Jessica Dawn Lynn Leech of Plymouth and Lori Lynn Self of Texas; several great-great nieces and nephews; brothers-in-law, Robert Omer Stinson, Hammond, and Gale Murphy, South Bend.

Friends are invited to join the family on Wednesday, May 7 from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth to celebrate John’s life where services will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday. Calling will continue after 7 a.m. until time of services. Pastor Delmas Stiles of the Good News Baptist Church, of which John was an accepted member will officiate.

Military honors will be accorded by members of the American Legion Post 27.

Burial will be in Big Prairie Cemetery, Epworth Township, White County, Ill.

Memorial gifts in John’s memory may be made to the donor’s choice.

Words of remembrance may be expressed through the Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com.

Josephine Richardson  Date of Death 5/3/2008
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**BREMEN — Josephine Richardson, 86, of Bremen, formerly of Mulberry, Kas., died Saturday, May 3 at Bremen Health Care Center.**

She is survived by a daughter, Leann Rowe of Bremen; a son, Larry Richardson of Bremen; a granddaughter, Mandi Richardson of Bremen; a brother, Mario Rossilli of Lakewood, Calif.; three nieces and two nephews.

Visitation will take place Tuesday, May 6 from 3 to 8 p.m. at Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen.

Funeral services will take place Wednesday, May 7 at 10 a.m. at St. Dominic Catholic Church, Bremen. Burial will follow at Bremen Cemetery with full military rites.

Memorials may be made to Community Hospital of Bremen or Center for Hospice and Palliative Care Inc., South Bend.

**Francis L. Herr  Date of Death 5/4/2008**

**NAPPANEE — Francis L. Herr, 86, of Nappanee, died Sunday, May 4 at 1:37 a.m. at Goshen General Hospital after an illness.**

He is survived by his wife, Lois; two sons: Dean (Colleen) Herr of Wakarusa and Devon (Deb) Herr of Nappanee; six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Visitation will take place Tuesday, May 6 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. at Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee and one hour prior to services on Wednesday.

Funeral services will take place Wednesday, May 7 at 10:30 a.m. at Union Center Church of the Brethren with Rev. Jim Davis officiating.

Burial will follow at Union Center Cemetery, Nappanee.

Memorials may be made to Union Center Church of the Brethren.

**John P., Jr. Plante  Date of Death 5/4/2008**

**CULVER — Mr. John P. Plante Jr, 76, of Culver, passed away Sunday, May 4, 2008 at 10:24 p.m. at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.**

John was born Aug. 10, 1931 in Ora, one of six children to John and Ethel (Greer) Plante. He attended Ora School and Knox High School.

John served in the US Marine Corps from 1950-1954. He participated in operations against enemy forces in South and Central Korea, in which he received several medals for combat. He entered the Navy Reserves in 1962, and served 27 years until his retirement in 1989. John was very proud of his military service, and looked forward every year to attending his Marine Corps Brotherhood and Survivors reunion of the How Co., 3rd Battalion, 7th Regiment, First Marine Division, FMF Korea 1950-1953.

John worked for 42 years at Culver Academies as the Building Maintenance Supervisor, and was a bus driver for athletic events and other school functions. He was a lifetime member of the Finney-Shilling VFW Post 6919 of Culver and the Collins-Tasch American Legion Post 399 of Monterey, and was also a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows Maxinkuckee Lodge 373.

On May 9, 1953 he married Joyce E. Mikesell at the Mt. Hope Church, Culver. Their daughter Gloria Diana was born on June 13, 1954. Their son, Wayne Michael was born on Jan. 26, 1957.

John is survived by his wife, Joyce of Culver; son, Wayne of Deland, Fla.; son-in-law Gary
Hinton of Culver; grandson, Peter (Kellie) Manzuk of Plymouth; granddaughter, Andrea Manzuk of Phoenix, Ariz.; and grandson, David Plante of Elkhart. John had six great-grandchildren: Matthew Manzuk of Plymouth, and Colin, Tyler, Regan, Blake, and Kendall Plante of Elkhart. John is also survived by his sisters: Camilla (John) Brettin of Knox, Donna Hunnicutt of Ora, and Betty (Richard) Brettin of Knox.

John was preceded in death by his parents; brothers: Vern and Richard; and daughter, Gloria.

Services have been entrusted to the Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, where friends may join the family in celebration John’s life on Monday, May 12, 2008 from 2 to 8 p.m. EDT. Rev. Curtis Heydt will officiate funeral services of Tuesday, May 13, 2008 at 10 a.m. EDT at the Culver Academies Memorial Chapel.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that you please consider contributions to one of the following: Culver Community Christmas Fund, c/o Marlene Mahler - Union Township Trustee, the Culver Food Pantry, c/o Pat Birk, or Hospice of Marshall County.

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

Marianna Sager  Date of Death 5/4/2008

PLYMOUTH — Marianna Sager, a resident at Miller’s Merry Manor for the past 4 years, died, following an extended illness, at 6:41 a.m. on Sunday, May 4, 2008. She was one day shy of her 78th birthday.

Sager was born May 5, 1930, in Salamonia, a town in Jay County, Ind., the daughter of Lester Leo and Gleda Faye (Stone) Bickel.

She was valedictorian of her 1948 graduating class of Portland (Ind.) High School.


Sager first worked at Montgomery Ward and then was payroll clerk at Teledyne Portland Forge for 31 years, retiring in 1995.

She was adept at crafts, knitting and sewing. She played euchre and enjoyed boat trips. Activities with her children and grandchildren were of her favorite things to do.

Sager was a member of the Salamonia United Church of Christ. She also was a member of Beta Sigma Phi in Portland and a former member of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Portland American Legion, the Portland Lioness Club and the Elks Lodge.

She is survived by a daughter, Cheryl A. (Geoffrey) Scarberry, Plymouth, and their son, Adam; a son, Edward L. (Madonna) Sager, Cleveland, Ga., and their children, Roberta, Brian, Jon and Ginifer and by two foster daughters: Vivian “Beeb” Liverman, Lakewood, Colo., with children, Brett and Josh and Joyce (Steve) Burt, Berne, Ind., and sons, Daniel and Chad; 14 great-grandchildren and a brother-in-law, Gene Duke of Jay County.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband and a sister, Ruth Evelyn Duke.

Friends are invited to share memories and celebrate the life of Marianna Sager with her family at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, on Wednesday, May 7, from 5 to 7 p.m.

Funeral services for Sager will be held on Thursday at 1 p.m. in the Baird-Freeman Funeral Home, 221 N. Meridian St., Portland, Ind., with visitation two hours prior to services. The Rev. Les Johnson of Plymouth will officiate.
Charles Eugene Hanes  Date of Death 5/5/2008

Former resident of Bourbon and current resident of Edmond, Okla. died Monday, May 5, 2008 at Mercy Hospital in Oklahoma City, Okla.

Charles Eugene Hanes was born April 18, 1922 in the family home in Elkhart, the oldest son of Retha Waggoner Hanes and Arthur G. Hanes.

Mr. Hanes attended Elkhart School before moving to Marshall County and graduated from Bourbon High School in the Class of 1940.

A devout Methodist, he was very active in his church and served in many offices. He was a member of the Bremen Masonic Lodge #414 and the Scottish Rite Valley of South Bend. As an Aerospace Engineer with Bendix Missile Corporation, he was involved with the research and design of many missile systems throughout the years. He was also a member of the Bendix Management Club where he served as treasurer.

Mr. Hanes was a World War II veteran. He enlisted under the Navy V-5 Cadet Program in July, 1942. He completed his training in August, 1943 at Pensacola Naval Air Station where he received his Wings and was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the United States Marine Corps. He was a dive bomber pilot and was carrier based in the Pacific Theater for 23 months. He flew from the CV4 U.S.S. Ranger, The CVE 101 U.S.S. Matanikau and the CVE 113 U.S.S. Puget Sound. He attained the rank of Captain.

On May 24, 1944, he was married to E. Kathleen Kirby Hanes in Laguna Beach, Calif. After World War II, they returned to the Bourbon area where they purchased a farm and raised a family of three children. Their children are Larry (Lynn) Hanes of South Carolina, Dr. Michael (Madlyn) Hanes of Pennsylvania, and Patricia Hanes (Dr. Louis) Furmanski of Oklahoma. They have 10 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Mr. Hanes was preceded in death by his parents, a sister Evelyn, and his brothers Loren and Arthur G. Hanes.

A funeral service to celebrate Charles' life will be held on Saturday, May 10 at 2 p.m. in the Bourbon First United Methodist Church with Rev. Mark Day officiating.

Burial will follow in the Sandridge Cemetery at Bourbon with military honors.

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

Lois Ruth Hauser  Date of Death 5/5/2008


She is survived by a daughter, Susie McGuire of Avon; five grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and brothers: Paul (Nada) Miller of Jeffersonville and Don (Patsy) Miller of Frostbite, Fla.
Visitation is Thursday, May 8 from 4 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to the service Friday in the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Funeral services are Friday, May 9 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at the Akron Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County.

James A., Jr. Patrohay  Date of Death 5/5/2008


Survivors include aunt, Orlean Allen of Knox; and uncles: Homer Smith of Union Mills, Edgar Smith of Knox and Sam Barnett of Walkerton.

Funeral services will be Thursday at 1 p.m. CDT at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel. Burial will be at the Round Lake Cemetery, Knox. Visitation is at the funeral home Thursday after 10 a.m. CDT until the time of services.

Dolores Juanita Comacho-Vaca  Date of Death 5/6/2008

Dolores Juanita Camacho-Vaca, was stillborn Tuesday, May 6, 2008, at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, in Plymouth.

She is survived by her mother, Dolores Vaca and her father, Juan Camacho, both of Plymouth.

A Mass of Angels was prayed at Saint Michael Catholic Church at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 10. Burial was in Saint Michael Catholic Cemetery, Plymouth.

Visitation was Friday, May 9 from 5 to 7 p.m.

The Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, is in charge of the arrangements.

Sister Olivia Marie Hutcheson  Date of Death 5/6/2008

NOTRE DAME — Sister Olivia Marie Hutcheson, CSC, 90, former superior general of the Congregation of the Sisters of the Holy Cross, died at 9:25 p.m. on Tuesday, May 6, at Saint Mary’s after an illness.

Funeral arrangements for Sister Olivia Marie are as follows: Reception of the body and wake on Sunday, May 11, at 4:30 p.m.

The Mass of Resurrection will be celebrated on Monday, May 12, at 10:30 a.m.

All of these ceremonies will take place in the Church of Our Lady of Loretto at Saint Mary’s, Notre Dame.

Jane A. Robinson  Date of Death 5/6/2008

PLYMOUTH – Jane A. Robinson, a Colonel in the United States Air Force, died at Walter Reed Army Medical Center, May 6, 2008, after a courageous year-long battle with cancer.

Jane was 52-years old.

She had fought a long battle with cancer and, never gave up, even in her final days.

She was devoted to her career in the United States Air Force and to the mission of protecting the United States of America.
She served at the National Reconnais-sance Organization, the Pentagon, the Los Angeles Air Force Base, Hanscom Air Force Base, Lehigh University and Wright-Patterson Air Force Base.

Jane was a great co-worker and a mentor to other junior Air Force officers.

Her final duty was as Director of Financial Management and Resource Oversight to SIGINT.

She will be missed but never forgotten by the many friends and colleagues she leaves behind. Her spirit will live on in their hearts.

Born July 3, 1955, in Logansport, she was the daughter of John Richard and Janet Ann Boyer Robinson.

Raised in Plymouth, she graduated from LaVille High School and from Purdue University in 1977, and 1979, with Bachelor and Master of Science degrees in aeronautical and astronomical engineering.

Upon graduation, Colonel Robinson attended the United States Air Force Officer Training School, earning her commission as a Second Lieutenant in 1980.

As a young officer, Colonel Robinson held a variety of air and space systems engineering and acquisition positions. In 1993, she transitioned to the financial management career field, distinguishing herself in assignments at Air Force Headquarters, the Joint Staff, and most recently, the National Reconnaissance Office.

Over the course of her 28-year Air Force career, Colonel Robinson was highly decorated, earning the Defense Superior Service Medal, five Meritorious Service Medals and three Commendation Medals. She also received numerous awards and distinctions for excellence in financial and acquisition management.

She was a graduate of Air War College, Air Command and Staff College, Squadron Officer School and earned a Masters of Business Administration degree in Systems R&D Management from Wright State University, Dayton, Ohio.

In addition to her love of the Air Force, Jane had a great passion for animals, especially her cats: Kitty-Boy and Apache. She had a wonderful sense of humor and was a person of impeccably high character, demonstrating the utmost integrity at all times.

She was a loving daughter, sister and aunt and was fiercely loyal to her friends.

Jane is survived by her brother and sister-in-law, Michael and Jennesses Robinson, nieces Alexis, Cassandra, Christina, Cynthia and nephew, John, all of Huntsville, Ala., and by her brother, James, of Plymouth, and other extended family members.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

A time of sharing with Jane’s family will be held Friday, May 16, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, from 4 to 8 p.m.

Funeral services officiated by her brother Michael A. Robinson will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, May 17, in the funeral home.

Burial will be in Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth Saturday, May 17. The Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., is in charge of local arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Jane’s memory may be made to the American Cancer Society or to the American Humane Society.
Ann K. Rockwell  Date of Death 5/6/2008

KOONTZ LAKE - Ann K. Rockwell, 86, died in her home Tuesday, May 6.

She is survived by: one daughter, Sharon (Jim) Ton of Chesterton; one son, Ronald (Raeann) Rockwell of Valparaiso; one daughter-in-law, Jo (Michael) Hopkins of Portage; seven grandchildren, James (Heather) Ton, Jeffrey Ton, Christopher, Jonathan and Jilliann Rockwell, Jamie (Devin) Howard and James Ramirez and three great-grandchildren, Benjamin and Ava Rockwell and Andrea Howard.

Funeral services will be Saturday at 11 a.m. CDT at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel.

Friends may call Friday from 4 to 8 p.m. CDT and Saturday after 10 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be in the Grovertown Cemetery.

Terry Leon Telgenhoff  Date of Death 5/6/2008

ELKHART — Terry Leon Telgenhoff, 58, of Elkhart, died at 2:23 p.m. Tuesday, May 6, 2008 at Hospice House of South Bend.

He is survived by a sister, Diane (Charles) Martin of Bourbon; and brothers: Irwin Telgenhoff of Elkhart and Jimmy Hopper of Niles, Mich.

There will be no viewing or funeral. A memorial service will be held Thursday, May 15 at 7 p.m. at the United Pentecostal Church in Bourbon. Cremation will take place.

Memorials may be made to ADEC or Hospice House of South Bend.

Billings Funeral Home, Elkhart, is in charge of the arrangements.

Robert R. Riewoldt  Date of Death 5/7/2008

ROCHESTER — Robert R. Riewoldt, 77, of Rochester, died Wednesday, May 7 at his home.

He is survived by two daughters: Melissa Hulvey of Texas City, Texas and Beverly K. and Jerry Reynolds of Logansport; sons: James Matthew and Janet Riewoldt of Etna Green, Robert C. Riewoldt of Warsaw, Patric T. and Lisa Riewoldt of Bourbon, Jon Riewoldt of Warsaw and David L. and Cathy Ginther of Rochester; 17 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren and one sister.

Visitation is from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday and one hour prior to services Saturday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester.

Services are at 11 a.m. Saturday at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Phyllis L. Stuhlmacher  Date of Death 5/7/2008

KANSAS CITY, MO — Phyllis L. Stuhlmacher, 83, of Kansas City, Mo., died Wednesday, May 7 at Plaza Manor Nursing Home.

She is survived by a daughter, Ruth and Robert Pasley of Texas; sister (Ellen) Jeanne and Howard Bauman of Plymouth and brother James M. Fall of Arizona.
Marjorie R. Pett  Date of Death 5/8/2008

PLYMOUTH – Marjorie R. Pett, 87, a former resident of Plymouth, passed away Thursday, May 8, 2008, at the Grove Nursing Center, Grove, Okla.

Born in Pierceton, Ind., she was the daughter of the late Voyal and Ruth (Phillips) Harris. She married Richard E. “Dick” Pett, Sr. in 1944. He preceded her in death in 1994 after 50 years of marriage.

Marjorie enjoyed working for the Plymouth school system as a cafeteria cook for many years.

She was a member of the Plymouth First United Methodist Church and the Tyra Constance Guild.

Marjorie is survived by sons, Richard E. Jr. “Gene” (Marcia) Pett, of Grove, Okla. and Douglas (Sandra Sims) Pett of Fort Wayne, Ind.


She was preceded in death by her brothers, Voyal and Maurice Harris.

Friends are invited to celebrate the life of Marjorie Pett with her family from 5 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, May 14, 2008, and after 7 a.m. Thursday, May 15, 2008 at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Marjorie will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, May 15, 2008 at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home. The Rev. Dr. Dean Fager, pastor of the First United Methodist Church, will officiate.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Marjorie’s memory may be made to the First United Methodist Church of Plymouth or a charity of the donor’s choice.

The sharing of memories and notes of condolence may be sent to the family by way of the funeral home’s Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com.

Harold Dwight Clemans  Date of Death 5/9/2008

PALM BEACH GARDENS, Fla. — Harold Dwight Clemans, 86, of Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., formerly of Rochester, died at 2:30 p.m. Friday, May 9 at home.

He is survived by a daughter, Debbie Carbia of West Palm Beach, Fla.

A graveside service will be at 10 a.m. Friday, May 16 at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Graveside military rites will be conducted by the LeRoy Shelton American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society. The Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, is in charge of the arrangements.

Romie F. Voreis  Date of Death 5/10/2008

CULVER — Romie F. Voreis, 92, of 11995 East 250 South, Culver, passed away Saturday, May 10, 2008, at 8:05 p.m. at the Hospice House in South Bend.
He was born July 7, 1915 in Burr Oak to Jessie and Alma (Working) Voreis.

Romie worked at Allis-Chalmers in LaPorte for 30 years.

Romie and Alzina Lucille Troyer were married on July 23, 1933. She passed away on Oct. 19, 1988. Romie and Virginia Lechlitner were married on June 23, 1990. They enjoyed spending time in Florida during the winter time. Romie loved being outdoors. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, and nature. He served his country in the United States Navy.

Romie is survived by his wife, Virginia; his sons: Kenneth and Gaynelle Voreis of Vermillion, Ohio and William and Linda Voreis of Bear Lake, Mich.; 10 grandchildren; his step-daughters Pat and Everett Fleece of Plymouth and Bonnie and David Winrotte of Plymouth; four step-grandchildren; nine step-great-grandchildren, and two step-great-great-grandchildren.

Romie was preceded in death by his first wife, Alzina; his daughter, Katherine; two infant sons; his grandson, Chris; two sisters; and four brothers.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, May 14, 2008, at 2 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, in Plymouth, with Chaplin Thomas Padberg officiating. Burial will be in Burr Oak Cemetery, Burr Oak.

Friends and family may visit with the Voreis family Wednesday, May 14, 2008, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth.

The Voreis Family would like for memorial contributions to 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 Voreis family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com

Waneta Young  Date of Death 5/10/2008

BREMEN — Waneta J. Young, 81, of Nappanee, died Saturday, May 10 at 7 a.m. at Bremen Health Care following an illness.

She is survived by eight daughters: Donna (Lowell) Price of Plymouth, Betty Bowling of Nappanee, Carol (Keenan) Wynn of South Bend, Mary L. (Bowling Jr.) Nethercutt of Mishawaka, Karen (Roy) Bowling of Plymouth, Nancy Morris of Goshen, Patty (Ron) Yeutsey of LaGrange, Jessie Choquette of Elkhart; five sons: Ralph (Mary) Young of Lapaz, Clifford (Jacque) Young of Tippecanoe, Roger Young of Nappanee, Donald (Tabitha) Young of Plymouth and Rich Young-Nusbaum of South Bend; 39 grandchildren; 58 great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren.

Visitation will take place Monday, May 12 from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Thompson - Lengacher Funeral Home, Nappanee.

Funeral services will take place Tuesday, May 13 at 10:30 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will follow at Pleasant Hill Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer Association.

BOURBON — Fredrick Lynn Young, 42, of Bourbon and Wawaka, Ind., died of natural causes at 10:44 a.m. Saturday, May 10, 2008 in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Born in Plymouth, Ind., on May 16, 1965, Fred was the son of Danny Young and Naomi (Pickerl) Young.

Fred attended the JESSE program at Argos High School. He was employed at the Foundations
He enjoyed summer camp at Epworth Forest, traveling with his family, music, his daily walks, bowling and most of all, being around people. Some of Fred’s favorite music included anything classical, such as “The Sound of Music” and “Oklahoma”, the jam session at Grace Village and the Masterworks Festival in Winona Lake every summer.

For the last six years, Fred walked the Mackinac Bridge over Labor Day weekend.

Fred recently shared in the excitement of the Triton Boys Basketball State Championship.

He was preceded in death by his father.

Fred is survived by his mother, Naomi R. Young of Bourbon and Wawaka; a sister, Carman Young of Fort Wayne and a brother, Greg (B.J.) Young of Locust Grove, Ga.; an aunt, Hattie Bierly of Atwood; an uncle, Dwight Pickerl of Indianapolis and cousins.

Friends are invited to celebrate Fred’s life with his family Wednesday, May 14 from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Fred will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, May 15, in the funeral home. The Rev. Mark Day, pastor of the United Methodist Church in Bourbon, where Fred attended, will officiate.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you consider a memorial contribution to the Food Pantry at the United Methodist Church in Bourbon, or the Masterworks Festival (www.masterworksfestival.org).

Sharing memories and offering condolences may be sent to the family via: www.johnson-danielson.com.

**Betty L. Dinkledine  Date of Death 5/11/2008**

DADE CITY, Fla. — Betty L. Dinkledine, 82, of Dade City, Fla., formerly of Elkhart, died at 10:25 p.m. Sunday, May 11 at home.

She is survived by her husband, Dale Dinkledine of Dade City, Fla.; daughters: Jill (Dennis) Hendrix of Elkhart and Nancy (Douglas) Weber of Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.; son, Thomas (Susan) Dinkledine of Russiaville; seven grandchildren; and brother, Carl (Martina) Brock of Titusville, Fla.

Visitation is Friday, May 16 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. at Stemm-Lawson-Peterson Funeral Home, Elkhart. Funeral services are Saturday, May 17 at 11 a.m. at Bethel United Methodist Church, Elkhart. Burial will be at the Bremen Cemetery Saturday at 2 p.m.

Memorials may be made to Bethel United Methodist Church.

**John E. Patterson  Date of Death 5/11/2008**

BOURBON — John E. Patterson, 73, of 803 N. Thompson St., Bourbon, passed away Sunday, May 11, 2008 at 11:30 p.m. in Goshen General Hospital. He had been in failing health.

John was born the son of Damen Dale Patterson and Ruby Swartzell Patterson June 1, 1934 in White County, Indiana. He was a resident of Bourbon since early childhood.

He retired from Biomet Inc. of Warsaw as a shipping clerk. He had also worked at Bendix Corporation and Orthopedic Equipment Company. He graduated from Bourbon High School in
He was married July 3, 1963 to Barbara Quaney who survives along with their two daughters: Sharon (Michael) Howell of Milford and Samantha (Charles) Howard of Silver Lake. He was also blessed with four grandchildren: Ean Howard, Aric Howard, Chase Howell and Ethan Howell. Four sisters also survive: Marilyn Klann of New Buffalo, Mich., Eleanor (Edward) Gammill of South Bend, Rita (Charles) Hyde of Etna Green and Carol Bennett of Bremen; three brothers: William (Patricia) Patterson of Mishawaka, Robert (Leslie) Patterson of Lagro, and Roger (Janice) Patterson of Bremen.

He was preceded in death by two sisters: June Stayton and Joyce Patterson.

John a faithful member of the First United Church of Christ in Bourbon. He loved gardening, sports of all kinds and was an umpire for softball games. John was also noted for his dedication as an Assistant Campfire Leader for more than 20 years.

John served in the United States Army during the Korean Conflict. He was also a member of the Bourbon American Legion Post #424.

A funeral service to celebrate John’s life will be held Friday, May 16 at 10:30 a.m. in First United Church of Christ with Rev. Linda Hewitt officiating.

The family will receive friends from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday in the First United Church of Christ on North Main Street.

Burial will follow in Summit Chapel Cemetery at Bourbon with Military Honors.

The family requests any memorial contributions be made to First United Church of Christ in his memory.

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

Marie L. Stull  Date of Death 5/11/2008


Marie was born in Battle Creek, Mich., on Sept. 18, 1924, to James N. and Gladys M. (Bennett) Crippen. She was previously married to Harlan Stull of LaGrange, who passed away on Jan. 1, 2004.

She is survived by her son, Devon (Susie) Stull of Plymouth; her daughter, Dawn (Carl) Migura of Victoria, Texas; seven grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Harlan Stull; her daughter, Joyce (Stull) Moser; her brother, Delton Crippen; and her sisters, Dorothy Kline, Vivian Milton, and Fairy Shoemaker.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, May 31, 2008, at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth. Visitation will be from 10 to 11 a.m., prior to the service, at Van Gilder Funeral Home.

Interment services will be private.

In lieu of flowers, please consider contributions to, JESSE, with designation to “Autism Support”, 324 North Kingston Road, Plymouth, IN 46563.

Family and friends are invited to sign the guest book and share memories with the Stull Family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com
Richard A. Binkley  Date of Death 5/12/2008

BREMEN — Richard A. Binkley, 60, of Bremen, passed away Monday, May 12, 2008, at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center in South Bend. He was born Aug. 4, 1947, in Plymouth, to Lester and Phyllis (Menser) Binkley.


He lived in Bourbon and Bremen. After the Navy, he was an operating engineer with Rieth-Riley. Richard then became a teacher for John Glenn School Corporation, retiring in 2006 after 29 years. He was a 1965 graduate of Triton High School and received his Bachelors and Masters degrees in education from IUSB. He was a U.S. Navy Veteran, serving three years on the USS Intrepid. Richard was also a member of the Bremen Church of God and the Bremen VFW. He enjoyed his granddaughter Macie, riding his Honda Gold Wing, coaching and following his son’s baseball/men’s fast pitch softball career.

Survivors include his wife, Becky of Bremen; one son: Adam (Leah) Binkley of Bremen; one granddaughter, Macie Binkley of Bremen; and his mother, Phyllis Binkley of Bourbon.

He was preceded in death by his father.

Services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Friday, May 16, 2008, at the Bremen Church of God, 5040 1st Road, Bremen. Pastor Jaree Kratzer will officiate. Military graveside services will take place at the Bremen Cemetery. Friends may call from 3 to 8 p.m. Thursday, May 15, 2008, at Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen.

Memorial contributions can be made to the American Cancer Society, Community Hospital of Bremen or Bremen Little League.

The Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen is assisting the family with arrangements.

Audrey Leslie Eppert  Date of Death 5/12/2008


Survivors include daughter, Karen (Pavo) Kent of Bremen; three grandsons; sister, Debbie (Robert) Eppert of LaPaz; and brothers: Michael (Pam) Markley of Bremen and Terry (Sarah) Bagley of Plymouth.

A memorial service will be held at a later date. Memorials may be made to The ASPCA (ASPCA Tributes, 520 8th Ave., 7th Floor, New York, NY 10018) or Susan G. Komen for the Cure, 5005 LBJ Fwy., Ste. 250 Dallas, TX 75244.

The Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen, is assisting the family with arrangements.

Helen Holloway  Date of Death 5/12/2008

PLYMOUTH — Helen Holloway, 79, of Plymouth, died Monday, May 12, 2008 at Pilgrim Manor, Plymouth.

She is survived by her husband, Ronald Holloway of Plymouth; sons: Thomas Holloway of Myers Lake and Dennis Holloway of Rochester; and brother-in-law, Lowell Holloway of Arizona.

Visitation is Friday, May 16 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home,
Timothy S. Millea  Date of Death 5/12/2008

PLYMOUTH — Timothy S. Millea, 57, of 413 N. Walnut St., Plymouth, passed away at 12:04 a.m. Monday, May 12, 2008, at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Tim was born Dec. 22, 1950, in Plymouth, to Robert and Harriett (Holdeman) Millea. On Oct. 28, 1978, Tim and Kamila Cherry were married. Tim had been employed by Kabelin’s Ace Hardware and Carter Lumber Company, both in Plymouth. He was a member of Saint Michael Catholic Church, Plymouth.

Tim is survived by his wife, Kamila Millea; their son, Corey Millea; their daughters, Erin Millea and Kelsey Millea, all of Plymouth; his sister; Carolyn and Rick Malcom of Elkhart; and his brother, Bob and Polly Millea of Minneapolis, Minn.

Memorial services will be held Friday, May 16, 2008 at 2 p.m., at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, with the Rev. Father William Kummer officiating.

A time of visiting with the Millea family will be Friday, May 16, 2008, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth.

Memorial contributions may be made to the family.

Vollie Anna Mae Verkinder  Date of Death 5/12/2008

HAMLET — Vollie Anna Mae Verkinder, 86, died Monday, May 12, 2008 in her home.

She is survived by her husband, Leon Verkinder; daughters: Nanette (Richard) Furlong of Crest Hill, Ill., Jeanette (Angelo) Marquez of Harvey, Ill. and Carol (Louis) Gagner of Port Richey, Fla.; 10 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren and seven great-great-grandchildren.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be Friday at 11 a.m. CDT at Holy Cross Church of Hamlet. Burial will be in the Holy Cross Cemetery. Visitation is Thursday from 4 to 8 p.m. and Friday 10 to 10:30 a.m. at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel where a Rosary Service will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday.

Dennis R. Mishler  Date of Death 5/13/2008

CULVER — Dennis R. Mishler, 75, of Culver, died at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 13.

He is survived by sons: Jeffery Mishler of Avon and Kurt Mishler of Culver; daughter, Dawn (David) Mann of Plymouth; and brothers: Terry (Sharon) Mishler of Kalamazoo, Mich., Lynn (Jan) Mishler of Leiters Ford and Larry (Jennifer) Mishler of Mena, Ark.

Visitation is Friday, May 16 from 2 to 8 p.m. at the Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver. Funeral services are Saturday, May 17 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at Leiters Ford IOOF

Memorials may be given to the family.

Jackie "Newt" Cooper  Date of Death 5/17/2008

KOONTZ LAKE — Jackie "Newt" Cooper, 10, of Koontz Lake, passed away in his home Saturday, May 17, 2008 after an illness.
Jackie was born Aug. 22, 1997 in Paintsville, Ky. to Rodney and Johanna (Farris) Cooper and lived in the Koontz Lake area most of his life.

He was a fourth grade student at Oregon-Davis Elementary School.

Survivors include: his father and step-mother, Rodney and Stacy Cooper of Koontz Lake; his mother, Johanna Cooper of Kentucky; one sister, Nichole Cooper of Koontz Lake; two brothers: Benjamin and Dorsie “DJ” Cooper of Koontz Lake; two step-sisters: Shalea and Kayla Watkins of Koontz Lake; one step-brother, Justin Watkins of Koontz Lake; paternal grandparents, Sam and Lila Howard of Culver; maternal grandparents, Dorsey and Judy Farris of Salyersville, Ky.; step-grandparents, Clifford and Sandra McVicker of Culver and step-great-grandmother, Pauline McVicker of Culver.

Visitation will take place Tuesday, May 20 from 4 to 8 p.m. (EDT) at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel and Wednesday at the church one hour prior to the service.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, May 21 at 1 p.m. Eastern Time at the Koontz Lake Missionary Church.

Cremation will take place following services.

Homer R. Forsythe  Date of Death 5/17/2008

PLYMOUTH — Homer R. Forsythe, 90, of Plymouth, formerly of Bremen, died Saturday, May 17 at 1:30 a.m. at his home.

He is survived by two daughters: Sharon Bemish of Plymouth and Carolyn Forsythe of Pa.; two sons: Robert Forsythe of Bremen and Johns Forsythe of Fla.; three sisters: Lucille Schmeltz of Walkerton, Blanche Odiorne of Plymouth and Margaret Troyer of Monon; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation will take place on Tuesday, May 20 at noon, one hour prior to the funeral services at 1 p.m. at the Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen.

Burial will follow at Bremen Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Starke County Hospice.

Arlene R. Greer  Date of Death 5/18/2008

ROCHESTER — Arlene R. Greer, 91, of Rochester, formerly of Plymouth, died at 4:45 a.m. Sunday, May 18, 2008, at Woodlawn Hospital in Rochester.

She is survived by her daughters: Rosalie Lowe of Rochester and Jeanie and George Rudich of Cedarburg, Wis.; her son, Larry Greer of Plymouth; seven grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday, May 27 at 2 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, Plymouth. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Visitation is Tuesday, May 27 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, Plymouth.

Memorial contributions may be given to the choice of the donor.

Bill Quesenberry  Date of Death 5/18/2008
BREMEN — Bill Quesenberry, 67, of Bremen, died Sunday, May 18, 2008 at 12:05 p.m. at his home.

He is survived by his wife, Thelma Quesenberry of Bremen; three daughters: Regina Fretz of Bremen, Teresa (Jeff) Blystone of Bremen and Rebecca (fiancée' Efrain Mejia) Quesenberry of Bremen; a son, Billy (Katie) Quesenberry of Fishers and seven grandchildren: Nicole and Justin Fretz, Jonathan and Jonah Blystone, Abigail and Jacob Quesenberry and Giovanni Mejia-Quesenberry.

Visitation will take place Thursday, May 22 from 3 to 7 p.m. at Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen.

Funeral services will take place on Friday, May 23 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Paul's Lutheran Church with burial to follow at Bremen Cemetery.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.mishlerfuneralhomes.com.

Christopher Allan "Skip" Shambarger  Date of Death 5/18/2008

ROANN — Christopher Allan “Skip” Shambarger, 38, of Roann, died Sunday, May 18 at home.

He is survived by his wife, Carmen Shambarger; daughter, Jesilyn R. Shambarger, at home; son, Christian S. Shambarger, at home; mother and stepfather, Carol and Marvin Bahney of Akron; sisters: Kelly (Gary) Lebo of Middletown, Ohio, Lela (Gordon) Nash of Warsaw, Lory (Barry) Newhouse of Ft. Wayne, Jill (Kevin) Pugh of Rochester and Jana Green of North Carolina.; and brothers: Chuck L. (Robin) Shambarger of Jackson, N.J., Randy L. (Vita) Shambarger of Rochester, Tye Bahney of Rochester and Martin Bahney of Warsaw.

Visitation is Thursday, May 22 from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Funeral services are Thursday, May 22 at 7 p.m. in the funeral home. Military rites will be conducted at the funeral home. Burial will be at a later date.

Memorials may be made to the Jesilyn and Christian Shambarger Education Fund at Lake City Bank of Warsaw.

Freemon D. Borkholder  Date of Death 5/19/2008

NAPPANEE — Freemon D. Borkholder, 75, of Nappanee, died at 9:45 a.m. Monday, May 19, 2008 at Community Hospital of Bremen.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret Borkholder; sons: Dwayne (Jolene) Borkholder of Bremen and Jonathan (Marcia) Borkholder of Bremen; daughters: Lorene K. Borkholder of Bremen, Sue Etta (Orus) Yoder of Ft. Wayne, Jill (Kevin) Pugh of Rochester and Jana Green of North Carolina.; and brothers: Eli (Velma) Borkholder of Bremen and Alvin (Ruth Ann) Borkholder of Nappanee; and sisters: Katie (Joe) Whetstone of Nappanee, Anna Mae (Floyd) Bender of Bremen and Laura D. (Oscar Jr.) Schmucker of Nappanee.

Visitation is Tuesday, May 20 and Wednesday, May 21 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to services Thursday in the Nappanee Missionary Church. Funeral services are Thursday, May 22 at 10 a.m. at the church. Burial will be at Bethel Conservative Church Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Gideons or Northern Youth Programs.

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

Deborah L. Grimes  Date of Death 5/19/2008

TWELVE MILE — Deborah L. Grimes, 40, of Twelve Mile, died at 5:33 p.m. Monday, May 19, 2008 at Logansport Memorial Hospital.
She is survived by her husband, Ernie Gates of Twelve Mile; mother, Loretta Grimes of Culver; sisters: Christine Foster of Rochester, Bobbi Jo (Mike) Grover of Culver, Donna (Tom) Woodward of Culver and Rachael (Ed) Tibbs of Bristol, Conn.; brother, Rudy (Mary) Grimes of LaPaz; stepdaughter, Melissa (Jeremy) Pickett of Ft. Riley, Kan.; stepson, Aaron Gates of Twelve Mile; and three grandchildren.

Visitation is Saturday, May 24 from 10 to 11 a.m. at the Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver. Funeral services are Saturday at 11 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be private.

Memorials may be given to the Ronald McDonald House in Indiana.

**Pamela R. Myers  Date of Death 5/19/2008**

PLYMOUTH — Pamela R. Myers, 56, of 14997 3rd Rd., Plymouth, passed away at 4:52 a.m. Monday, May 19, 2008, at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center in Plymouth.

Pam was born Dec. 9, 1951, in Plymouth, to Robert and Audene (Freesc) Botset. On Nov. 7, 1970 Pam and Wayne Myers were married. She had been a resident of the Marshall County Area, all of her life. Pam was employed with Aearo-AO Safety in Plymouth for 17 years.

Pam is survived by her husband, Wayne Myers of Plymouth; their daughter, Yavonda Myers of Warsaw; her granddaughters, Kiara Boal and Kelsey Boal of Warsaw; her brother, Ronald Botset of Plymouth; and her aunt Pauline Fitef of Bourbon.

A time of visiting with the Myers family will be Thursday, May 22, 2008 from 1 to 3 p.m. and from 5 to 7 p.m. at the VAN GILDER FUNERAL HOME, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth.

Memorial contributions may be given to IBCAT (Indiana Breast Cancer Awareness Trust), Post Office Box 8212, Evansville, IN 47716.

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

**John R. Christison  Date of Death 5/20/2008**

PLYMOUTH – John R. Christison, 75, of 11088 South Hawthorn Rd., Plymouth, passed away Tuesday, May 20, 2008, at 7:10 a.m. at his home.

He was born Oct. 18, 1932, in Virginia, Neb., to Paul and Josephine (Penkeua) Christison. John worked at the Plymouth Waste Water Plant. He served his county during the Korean War in the United States Army. John and Lucille White were married in Knox on Aug. 24, 1961. They have lived in Plymouth since 1965.

John was a member of Plymouth V.F.W. Post #1162, American Legion Post #27, Plymouth Moose Lodge #741, Eagles Lodge #1900, and the Plymouth Elks Lodge.

John is survived by his wife, Lucille; his sons: Gary and Stacy Christison of Gun Barrel City, Texas, Mike Christison of Irving, Texas, and John and Roxanne Christison of Plymouth; his daughters: Tina and Cleon Wagoner of Culver, and Janet and Andrew Wilson of Plymouth; eight grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and his sister, Pauline Christison Gall of Benton, Ill. He was preceded in death by his parents and his sister, Donna Christison Ellinghausen.

Funeral services will be held Friday, May 23, 2008 at 1:30 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home in Plymouth, with Pastor Paul Whitworth, of Faith Baptist Church, officiating.

A time of visiting with the family will be Friday, May 23, 2008, from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, IN 46563. Military rites will be
Gerald "Pete" Martin  Date of Death 5/20/2008

Gerald (Pete) Martin, 87, of 635 Oak Hill Ave., Plymouth, passed away at 11:20 p.m., Tuesday, May 20, 2008, at Miller’s Merry Manor in Plymouth.

Pete was born Sept. 15, 1920, in Marshall County, Indiana, to Dallas and Esther (Deamer) Martin. He married Kathleen Towne on Sept. 6, 1938. They had farms on King Road, in Plymouth, and on Apple Road in Tippecanoe.

Pete is survived by his wife, Kathleen; their daughters, Lorraine Davenport of Tippecanoe and Carol and Bob Krueger of Fort Wayne; their son, Carl and Nancy Martin of Plymouth; four grandchildren; three step-grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; six step-great-grandchildren; and six great-great-grandchildren. Pete was preceded in death by his son, Hugh Martin; and his sisters, Margaret Bollinger and Edith Martin.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, May 24, 2008, at 1 p.m., at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, with the Rev. Charles Krieg officiating. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

A time of visiting with the Martin Family, will be Saturday, May 24, 2008, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

The Martin family requests that memorial contributions be given to The Muscular Dystrophy Association, 314 W. Catalpa Drive, Mishawaka, IN 46544.

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

Wayn Ray Chupp  Date of Death 5/23/2008

NAPPANEE — Wayne Ray Chupp, 61, of Nappanee, died Friday, May 23 at 9 a.m. at his home after an 18-month battle with cancer.

Wayne was born November, 27, 1946 to Ray E. Chupp and Ada M. (Yoder) in Bremen.

He is survived by his wife Joan; two sons: Eric W. (Marlis) Chupp of Goshen and Jeremy D. (Molly) Chupp of Chicago; a grandson, Brady Chupp of Chicago; two brothers: Merl (Carylin) Chupp of Wakarusa and Carlyle (Pearl) Chupp of Nappanee and a sister, Shirley (Bob) Glenn of Wakarusa.

Visitation is at North Main Street Mennonite Church, Nappanee, one hour prior to services Tuesday. Services will take place Tuesday, May 27 at 10 a.m. at the church, led by Rev. Ruben Chupp assisted by Rev. Derrick Ramer. Burial will follow at Union Center Cemetery.

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

Dr. Arnold Dunfee  Date of Death 5/24/2008

PLYMOUTH — Dr. Arnold Dunfee, DDS, 87, died of natural causes, in Apopka, Fla. on Saturday, May 24, 2008 at 9:30 p.m.
Dr. Dunfee was a highly skilled and respected dentist in Plymouth for 23 years, retiring from his practice in 1985.

A civic leader, he was active in numerous organizations in Plymouth and across the state.

Born the son of Dr. Clyde Harrison Dunfee DDS and Orpha Pearl Hatfield Dunfee in Etna Green, Ind. on April 18, 1921, Arnold graduated from Plymouth High School with the class of 1939. He was a standout on the Pilgrim basketball team, receiving All-Conference honors. An all-around excellent athlete, he also participated in football, tennis and track.

Arnold attended Indiana Central College and the Indiana University School of Dentistry. A member of the Psi Omega Dental Fraternity, he graduated in 1953, and opened his practice in Plymouth.

Two years later, in 1955, Arnold was called to serve his country in the United States Army Dental Corps. He held the rank of captain. Honorably discharged in 1957, he returned to Plymouth to resume his practice.

On Nov. 8, 1941, in Plymouth, Arnold and Mary Jayne Ridenoure were married. Mary Jayne died in August of 2006.

Arnold enjoyed golf and antique cars. He was a member of Hoosier Old Wheels, Kaiser Fraser Club of America, Thunderbird Club of America and the Packard Club.

He developed a love of horses over the last few years. Especially Appaloosas. He and his son, David, started raising them about five years ago. He loved sitting in the barn and spending time with them.

He was a member of the American Legion, the Moose Lodge, the Masonic Lodge and the Society of the Scottish Rite.

He played golf and was a former member of the Plymouth Country Club, the Placid Lakes Country Club and the Marshall County Historical Society.

Arnold was past-president of the Plymouth High School Alumni, was a Vestryman of St. Thomas Episcopal Church, served on the Marshall County Health Board and served with the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce and the Building Committee of John Glenn High School.

He was past-president of the North Central Dental Society, an associate member of the Chicago Dental Society and a member of the Dental Society for Children’s Dentistry. He was also past-president and a long time member of the Indiana State Dental Examiners, served on the Controlled Drug Advisory Committee, the Pierre Fauchard Academy of Dentists and was a delegate for the Indiana Dental Society.

Arnold is survived by three children: Dr. Michael Tim (Mary Ann) Dunfee of Spencer, Frances (Marc) Berger of Elkhart and David (Jeannie) Dunfee of Apopka, Fla. along with six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Two sisters also survive, they are; Barbara Donaldson of South Bend and Lois Elliott of Charlottesville, Va.

He was preceded in death by his wife; a daughter, Laurie Susan; two sisters: Josephine Burch and Laura Dunfee; and a brother, Joseph Dunfee.

The Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., is assisting with local arrangements in Plymouth, where services will be held at a later date.

Memorial gifts in Dr. Dunfee’s memory may be made to St. Thomas Episcopal Church or the Marshall County Humane Society.
Ruth L. Fall  Date of Death 5/24/2008

PLYMOUTH — Ruth L. Fall, 86, of Plymouth, died Saturday, May 24, 2008, at her residence.

She is survived by a daughter, Nancy Loftus of Plymouth; two grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

No calling is planned. Private services will be held at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association.

The Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen, is assisting the family with arrangements.

Jeanette E. Masterson  Date of Death 5/25/2008

PLYMOUTH — Jeanette E. Masterson, 21, of Plymouth, died Sunday, May 25, 2008 in South Bend.

She is survived by her parents, Brian K. and Sheri (Burch) Masterson; sister, Caitlin Masterson; brother, Jeremiah Masterson; maternal grandmother, Naomi Niemier; paternal grandparents, Rita and Fred Masterson and paternal great-grandmother, Marie Masterson, all of Plymouth.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, May 30, 2008 in Plymouth Wesleyan Church, 11203 S. Michigan St., Plymouth. Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday, May 29 in the Palmer Funeral Home, 314 S. Michigan St., Lakeville and one hour prior to the services in church Friday.

Garland Dean "Skeeter" Wilson  Date of Death 5/25/2008

ROCHESTER — Garland Dean "Skeeter" Wilson, 81, of Rochester, died Sunday, May 25 at his residence in Rochester.

He is survived by his wife: Barbara J. Wilson; three daughters: Laura Ann (Dennis) Conley of Rochester, Rhonda Lu (Larry) West of Traverse City, Mich. and Rebecca Marie Elliott of Rochester and two sons: Jeffrey Dean (Glendon) Wilson of Rochester and Kenneth Alan Wilson of Warsaw.

Visitation will take place from 4 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, May 28 and one hour prior to services Thursday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Funeral services will take place on Thursday, May 29 at 2 p.m. with military burial to follow at Rochester I.O.O.F. Cemetery.

Mary Alice Bragg  Date of Death 5/26/2008

LAKEVILLE — Mary Alice Bragg, 82, of Lakeville, died Monday, May 26, 2008 in her home.

She is survived by daughters: Randa Cox of Lakeville, Rebecca Dannacher of Ft. Walton Beach, Fla. and Rita Goff of Wakarusa; sons: Galen Bragg, Ira Bragg III and Gary Bragg, all of Lakeville and Shawn Bragg of Atlanta, Ga.; 14 grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, May 31, 2008 in the Palmer Funeral Home, Lakeville. Burial will take place in Maple Grove Cemetery, Sweetser. Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday in the funeral home.
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Helen Marie Holland  Date of Death 5/26/2008

WALKERTON — Helen Marie Holland, 86, died Monday, May 26, 2008 in Miller's Merry Manor, Walkerton.

She is survived by daughters: Judy (Pete) Lember of Bourbon and Pat (Dan) Kaemmerer of Milwaukee, Wis.; sons: Bob (Kitty) Holland of Walkerton, Dennis (Linda) Holland of Walkerton, Paul Holland of Koontz Lake and Joe (Barb) Holland of South Bend; 21 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held Friday at 11 a.m. EDT at St. Patricks Church of Walkerton. Burial will be in the Woodlawn Cemetery, Walkerton. Visitation is Thursday from 4 to 8 p.m. EDT and Friday from 10 to10:30 a.m. at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel where a Rosary Service will be held at 8 p.m. Thursday.

Memorial contributions may be given to St. Patricks Church, 801 Tyler St., Walkerton, IN 46574.

Frank Kats  Date of Death 5/26/2008

ROCHESTER — Frank Kats, 52, of Rochester, died at 10:26 a.m. Monday, May 26, 2008, at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

He is survived by his daughters: Tiffany Kats and Frankie Kats of Rochester; son, Frank Kats of Hartford, Ark.; stepson, Dustin Hecht of Rochester; three grandchildren; mother, Eva (Francis) Boudreau of Hammond; brothers: Richard C. (fiancee Tracy Marcum) Kats of Rochester and Michael F. (Edie) Boudreau of Hebron; stepbrother, Monty Kelley of Lucerne; stepsister, Regina Kelley of Logansport; and stepmother, Geneva Kats of Lucerne.

Visitation is Thursday, May 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, May 30 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at Athens Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the family of Frank Kats.

Lemont “Monte” Lenarz  Date of Death 5/27/2008

EDINA, Minn. — Lemont “Monte” Lenarz, 79, of Edina, Minn., died Tuesday, May 27, 2008.

He is survived by his wife, Bette (Kapphahn, Buchanan); daughters: Suzie, Kathryn, Jane and Ann and their families, all of Minnesota; stepchildren: Mary Kay (Wayne) Houin of Plymouth, Larry (Becky) Buchanan of Thousand Oaks, Calif., Scott (Diane) Buchanan of Newton, Conn., Pete (Cathy) Buchanan of Lighthouse Point, Fla. and Patti (Rob) Barniskis of Eden Prairie, Minn. and their families.

Mass of Christian Burial was held May 30 at Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church in Edina, Minn.

Huber Funeral Home — Excelsior Chapel was in charge of the arrangements

Raymond L. Macy  Date of Death 5/27/2008

PLYMOUTH — Raymond L. Macy, 72, of 11686 Lincoln Highway, Plymouth, passed away at 2:17 a.m. Tuesday, May 27, 2008, at the Community Hospital of Bremen.

Raymond was born April 23, 1936, in Rochester, to Harry and Mildred (VanDuyne) Macy.

Ray was a union carpenter for 21 years and he was also a business representative for Indiana District Council of Carpenters and Millwrights for 21 years until retirement. He proudly severed
his country in the United States Navy. Raymond and Jo Ann Webb were united in marriage on August 2, 1963, in Mexico, Ind. Together they raised their three daughters.

Ray is survived by his loving wife, Jo Ann Macy; their daughters, Kimberlee R. Macy of Plymouth, Julie A. and Steven Goble of Plymouth, and Jennifer J. Macy of Indianapolis; two granddaughters, McKenzie Goble and Macy Goble of Plymouth; his brothers, Harry J. and Delpha Macy of Florida and Robert D. Macy of Rochester. He was preceded in death by his parents; his sister, Margaret Holdread; and his sister-in-law, Carol Macy.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, May 31, 2008, at 3:30 p.m. at the VAN GILDER FUNERAL HOME, with the Rev. Charles Krieg officiating. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

A time of visiting with the Macy family will be Saturday, May 31, 2008, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the VAN GILDER FUNERAL HOME, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth.

The family would like for memorial contributions to be given to the Alzheimer's Association, 922 Colfax Avenue, South Bend, IN 46617 or to The Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, Inc., 112 S. Center St., Plymouth, IN, 46563.

Friends and family may sign the guest book and share memories with the Macy family at

Florence Evelyn Dick  Date of Death 5/28/2008

ROCHESTER — Florence Evelyn Dick, 92, of Rochester, died at 11:16 a.m. Wednesday, May 28, 2008 at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

She is survived by a son, James Dick of Omaha, Neb.; one grandson; one great-granddaughter; and a brother, Jack (Lucille) Ring of Buchanan, Mich.

Visitation is Friday, May 30 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. A graveside service will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, May 31 at the Hamlet Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society or the Talma United Methodist Church.

Peg L. Kaufman  Date of Death 5/28/2008

PLYMOUTH – Peg L. Kaufman, a lifetime Plymouth area resident, took ill at her mother’s home and died unexpectedly in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth, at 9:52 p.m. on Wednesday, May 28, 2008.

Born in Plymouth on May 10, 1958, Peg was the daughter of Lowell J. and Patsy L. (Booker) Kaufman.

She graduated from LaVille High School with the class of 1976.

For the past seven years Peg was a retail sales clerk for Wal-Mart. She loved her job and dealing with people. They loved her back.

She had been a member of the First Presbyterian Church, Plymouth.

She was a published poet, enjoyed music and playing golf and was an avid fan of the Chicago White Sox and the Chicago Bears.

Peg is survived by her mother; a sister, Lori (Dr. John Jr.) Bottorff of Crawfordsville; two nephews; John Kaufman Bottorff and Bryant Michael Bottorff; and a niece; Angela Marie Bottorff.

A great aunt, Dorothy Vermillion, Plymouth, and several cousins also survive.
Peg was preceded in death by her father, her maternal grandparents, Marion and Mabel Booker and her paternal grandparents, John A. and Gertrude Olive Kaufman.

Friends are invited to share memories of Peg with her family on Sunday, June 1, 2008, from 1 to 3 p.m., at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services will follow visitation at 3 p.m. on Sunday in the funeral home. The Rev. Father William Kummer, pastor of St. Michael's Catholic Church, will officiate.

Interment will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Peg's name may be made to the Marshall County Humane Society, 11165 13th Road, Plymouth, IN 46563.

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

**Edward C. Pritchett  Date of Death 5/28/2008**

Edward C. Pritchett, 82, of Longview, Texas, formerly of Rochester, died at 12:34 p.m. CST Friday, May 23, 2008 at Good Shepherd Hospital, Longview, Texas. On March 27, 1926, he was born to Clarence and Lura Peppers Pritchett.

Ed was born and lived on a cotton farm with his family in southern Missouri, near the Mississippi River. Following graduation from East Prairie High School, in East Prairie, Mo., he served our country as a member of the U.S. Navy during the World War II era. He then returned to the Hammond, Ind. area where he worked in various steel mills as a union pipe fitter and union steam fitter.

On June 9, 1951, in Radford, Va., Ed married the love of his life Helen M. Mills. Together they shared more than 40 years of marriage that yielded four children: Patricia, Michael, John and Gregory. Helen passed away following a lengthy battle of cancer on Aug. 26, 1991. He was also preceded in death by his parents; an infant son Gregory; and a brother, Carl Pritchett.

Life in the country beckoned Ed and Helen and family as they bought land and settled in Richland Township north and west of Rochester in 1957. During the next 35+ years till 1993, Ed oversaw the family farm raising Charolais cattle in the early years then later, bred a variety of hogs and beef along with the grain crops of corn, wheat and soybeans.

Affectionately, known to his best friends as, “Mr. Ed” — he and Helen would entertain friends and neighbors on the wraparound front porch chatting for hours into the dark of night. Ed looked forward to his Saturday trips to the Rochester Sale Barn where he watched the sale and visited with all of his buddies. Ed was delighted to take his family on vacations from coast-to-coast–camping. It was these times that nature embraced them and adventures were greatly enjoyed and remembered.

In 1993, Ed sold the family farm traveled around the southwest in his 5th wheel. He spent some time in New Mexico, then moved to Texas. Ed had always appreciated country-western and music of the big band era. But it was during this time that Ed discovered a new talent — his uncanny ability to do the Jitter-Bug. He Jitter-bugged in contests around Texas and New Mexico with occasional wins. He also enjoyed morning coffee with the guys of Longview, Texas and the many opportunities their gathering allowed for solving the world’s problems.

Ed was a member of the Gregton 1st Baptist Church, Longview Texas. He also was a former member of the Manitou Moose Lodge # 1107, 33 degree Mason, Masonic Lodge # 79, Manitou V.F.W. # 1343, and the LeRoy Shelton American Legion Post # 36 all of Rochester. Ed will be remembered as a loving father, dedicated grandfather and devoted friend. He leaves his family and friends to cherish his memory.
He is survived by a daughter, Patricia Mangan of Lewisville, N.C.; two sons: Michael E. Pritchett of Plymouth and John K. Pritchett of Rochester; two grandchildren: Ryan Mangan of Winston-Salem, N.C. and Ashley Pritchett of Plymouth; two sisters: Nadine Hilty of Hammond and Melva Szyblewski of Calumet City, Ill.; along with nieces and nephews.

A celebration of the life of Edward C. “Mr. Ed” Pritchett will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday morning, May 31, 2008 at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200, West 18th St., Rochester. Rev. John Branch will officiate his services. Friends may visit with the family from 5 to 8 p.m. on Friday and on Saturday one hour prior to his service. Military graveside rites will be accorded by the LeRoy Shelton American Legion Post and the Manitou V.F. W. at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery where he will be laid to rest next to his beloved wife Helen. Preferred memorials in lieu of flowers may be made to the Hope Hospice of Fulton County or to the Arthritis Foundation. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com

**Stuart L. Jackson  Date of Death 5/29/2008**

SOUTH BEND — Stuart L. Jackson, 81, residing in South Bend, Ind., passed away at 12:40 p.m. Thursday, May 29, 2008 in St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, South Bend.

He was born May 14, 1927 in Royalton, Ky. to William & Anna (Howard) Jackson who have both preceded him in death. He was also preceded in death by two sons, Stuart (Randy) Jackson on April 3, 1999 and William Scott Jackson on January 31, 2004, along with three sisters, and four brothers.

On May 14, 1946 in Dayton, Ohio he married the former Margaret Robinette. Together, they have enjoyed sixty-two years of marriage. He is survived by his loving wife Margaret; his daughter, Ginger Bryan of Ossian, Ind.; 10 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren. Also surviving Stuart is his brother, Howard and Viola Jackson of Walkerton, Ind., and many nieces and nephews.

Stuart worked for A.M. General for 29 years in Quality Control and as a Union Officer and Past President of Local # 5. He played Bluegrass Music. He really loved his music and performed in concerts in Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, Kentucky, and Tennessee, playing the guitar and singing tenor. He and son Scott had their own band.

He even performed in a private gathering for President Jimmy Carter while he was visiting in South Bend. His family and friends will miss him always. He was a member of Grace United Methodist Church in South Bend.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Monday, June 2, at Grace United Methodist Church, 3012 S. Twyckenham Drive, South Bend. Rev. David Schrader will officiate. Graveside services and burial will follow at Southlawn Cemetery.

The family will receive friends from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday, June 1, at the Palmer Funeral Home-Guisinger Chapel, 3718 South Michigan Street, South Bend, and one hour prior to services Monday at the Church.

Contributions in memory of Mr. Jackson may be offered to Bashor Children’s Home, P. O. Box 843, Goshen, IN 46527-0843.

**Stella Mae Stoneburner  Date of Death 5/29/2008**

BREMEN — Stella Mae Stoneburner, 86, of Bremen passed away Thursday, May 29, 2008 at the Bremen Health Care Center. She was born on Nov. 16, 1921 in Culver to Harry Thomas and Nezzie Goldie (Fall) Swartz Haag. She married Rollo Merrill Stoneburner on March 29, 1946. He preceded her in death on Aug.18, 1965.
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Stella was a 1940 graduate of Tyner High School. A homemaker, she was retired from Meister’s Drug. She enjoyed Bunco, gardening, crafts and her family.

Survivors include two daughters: Babette (J. Kirby) Overman of Occoquan, Va. and Barbara (Richard) Van Duyne of Rochester; one son, Jay (Traci) Stoneburner of Bremen; and four grandchildren: Amy Van Duyne of Ashland, Ohio, Tony (Jillian) Van Duyne of Ashland, Ohio, Jay Kirby Overman of Occoquan, Va. and Jaymi Stoneburner of Bremen.

She was preceded in death by her parents and husband Rollo.

Services will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, May 31 at the Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen and will be officiated by Pastor Tom Hostetler. Burial will take place at the Tyner Cemetery.

Friends may call from 11 a.m. until time of service on Saturday at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the German Township 4-H Club.

The Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen is assisting the family with arrangements. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.mishlerfuneralhomes.com.

June E. (Bales) Binkley  Date of Death 5/30/2008

KNOX — June E. (Bales) Binkley, 82, of Knox, died Friday, May 30, 2008 at her home.

Survivors include three sons: Richard (June) Binkley Jr. of Knox, Douglas (Sherry) Binkley of South Bend and Donald Binkley of Knox; a daughter, Sharon (Randy) Denny of Knox, a sister Mary Arndt of Mt. Morris, Ill.

Visitation took place Sunday, June 1 from 4 to 8 p.m. at Braman and Son Memorial Chapel.

Funeral services took place Monday, June 2 at 1 p.m. with the Rev. Steve Cunningham officiating.

Burial followed at Crown Hill Cemetery, Knox.

Addison Kris Cummings  Date of Death 5/30/2008

PLYMOUTH — Addison Kris Cummings, infant daughter of Ryan and Monica (Pontius) Cummings of South Bend, died at birth at 8:32 a.m. Friday, May 30, 2008, in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Addison is survived by her parents; her maternal grandparents, Allen and Donna Pontius of Plymouth; her paternal grandparents, Steve and Dianna Cummings of Greenfield; her maternal great-grandfather and step great-grandmother, Paul and June Pontius of Florida, her paternal great-grandparents, Harold and Rosa Cummings of Chatham, N.Y. and Jo Ann Abel of Indianapolis. She is also survived by two aunts: Christa Cummings of Greenfield, and Courtney and Brian Eddy of Indianapolis.

Private family services were held.

SOUTH BEND — Infant Addison Kris Cummings died May 30 at the St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth of natural causes.

He is survived by his parents, Ryan and Monica Cummings of South Bend; paternal grandparents, Steve and Dianna Cummings of Greenfield; maternal grandparents Allen and Donna Pontius of Plymouth; paternal great-grandparents Harold and Rosa Cummings of Chatham, New York and Jo Ann Abel of Indianapolis; maternal great-grandparents Paul and June Pontius of Florida and aunts: Christa Cummings of Greenfield and Courtney (Brian) Eddy of Indianapolis.
Private family services will be held. 

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

Susana Braganza DeJesus  Date of Death 5/30/2008

PLYMOUTH – Susana Braganza DeJesus died of natural causes at 6:51 p.m. in Plymouth, Friday, May 30, 2008.

Born in Detroit, Mich., on August 13, 1959, Susana was the daughter Dr. Jose R. DeJesus, M.D. and Teofila Braganza DeJesus.

She graduated from Plymouth High School with the class of 1977 and attended Indiana University, Bloomington.

She was a member of St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church. She was in the choir. She loved singing and drama and was an accomplished piano player at a very young age.

She loved flowers and angels, and was very creative, was skilled in crafts.

Susana was a very kind and loving soul and was great with children.

Her mother, Teofila, Plymouth, and three sisters survive Susana’s death. They are Liza B. DeJesus, Chicago, Ill.; Mary Jane D. (Gerard) Russell, Park Ridge, Ill., and Consolacion B. DeJesus, Los Angeles, Calif.

Two nieces, Kathleen and Isabella Russell and a nephew, Joseph Russell, Park Ridge, Ill., also survive.

Family funeral services and burial rites were held privately.

Burial was in New Oakhill Cemetery.

The Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home assisted the family.

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

Carolyn Hall  Date of Death 5/30/2008

ROCHESTER — Carolyn Hall, 52, of Rochester, died at 10:35 p.m. Friday, May 30, 2008 at Indiana University Hospital, Indianapolis.

She is survived by her husband, Ron Hall of Rochester; sons: Ralph King and companion Christian of Portsmith, Ohio, Stephen King of Radcliff, Ky., Joey Culley of Rochester, Joshua (Stephanie) Hall of Roann and Brandon Hall of Elkhart; nine grandchildren; sister, Debbie Skaggs of Graceland, Ky.; brothers: Albert “Peachy” Conley of Rochester, Ed Conley of Graceland, Ky. and Joe (Kathy) Conley of Owensboro, Ky.

Visitation is Tuesday, June 3 from 5 to 8 p.m. and Wednesday one hour prior the service at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Funeral services are Wednesday, June 4 at the funeral home. Burial will be at Roann Community Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Jon H. King  Date of Death 5/30/2008
PLYMOUTH — Jon H. King, 58, of Plymouth, died Friday, May 30 at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, South Bend, of Leukemia.

He is survived by his wife, Linda; a son, Mickey King; a granddaughter, Leslie King; a great-granddaughter, Kendall Torones; a mother-in-law, Norma Ross; brother-in-law Gary (Sharon) Ross of Plymouth; four nephews and two nieces.

Visitation will take place Tuesday, June 3 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth.

Funeral services will take place at noon Tuesday with burial to follow at Oakhill Cemetery.

Online condolences may be sent to the family through the funeral home’s Web site at www.johnson-danielson.com.

Joan D. Stokes  Date of Death 5/30/2008

WALKERTON — Joan D. Stokes, 77, died Friday, May 30 at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Surviving are two sons: Danny (Noni) Stokes of Mobile, Ala. and Glen (Melissa) Stokes of Walkerton and a daughter, Carolyn Stokes of Warsaw.

Visitation will take place Tuesday, June 3 from 2 p.m. until the time of funeral services at 3 p.m. at the Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel.

Burial will follow at the Polk Township Cemetery, Walkerton.

Joseph "Lee" Bailey  Date of Death 5/31/2008

PLYMOUTH — Joseph "Lee" Bailey, 27, of Plymouth, died Saturday, May 31 at his home.

He is survived by a daughter, Sky Bailey Robinson; mother and stepfather Nancy and Kurt McMillen of Plymouth; four sisters: Janelle M. Pardee of Plymouth, Jennifer B. McMillen of South Bend, Heather S. McMillen of Plymouth and Holly A. Starkey of Logansport; a brother, Jesse R. Bailey of Plymouth and a grandmother, JoAnn Abair of Plymouth.

Visitation will take place on Wednesday, June 4 from noon to 2 p.m. at Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth.

Funeral services will take place at the funeral home Wednesday at 2 p.m. with burial to follow.

Memorial contributions may be made to the family.

Florian P. Falk  Date of Death 5/31/2008

KOONTZ LAKE — Florian P. Falk, 85, of St. Charles, Ill., formerly of Koontz Lake, died Saturday, May 31 in Rosewood Care Center, St. Charles, Ill.

He is survived by three daughters: Patricia Federowski of Mississippi, Barbara Kingman of Illinois and Laura Amato of Lemont, Ill.; a son, Terry Falk of St. Charles, Ill.; 11 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Visitation will take place Wednesday, June 4 from 10 a.m. until the time of funeral services at 1 p.m. (CST) at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel. Burial will follow at the Grovertown Cemetery.
Bonnie Lou Nofsger  Date of Death 5/31/2008

ARGOS — Bonnie Lou Nofsger, 56, of 210 E. South St., Argos, died at 1:30 a.m. Saturday, May 31, 2008 at Methodist Hospital, Indianapolis.

Born in Wabash on April 17, 1952, she was the daughter of Francis and Lois Yeoman Day, who both survive. She lived in Argos for about 30 years, having come from Culver. She was a 1970 graduate of Culver High School. In Bunker Hill on March 31, 1973, she married Jack Nofsger who preceded her in death on Oct. 31, 1995.

She had been employed at the Lear Corporation, Plymouth, for 34 years, and had served as treasurer for a local union. She was a member of the Argos United Methodist Church, and had also attended the Plymouth Church of the Brethren. She enjoyed reading novels, cooking for her family and pot luck dinners for her church. She was a fan of NASCAR, especially Mark Martin, No. 8.

She is survived by one son, Jacob Allen Nofsger, Argos; one grandson, Noah Alexander Nofsger, Rochester; her parents, Francis and Lois Day, Culver; one sister, Linda Odell and husband Sandy of Las Vegas, Nev.; two brothers, Dean Day and Patricia Wright, Stillwater Minn.; Dale Day and wife Shellite, Plymouth; and seven step-children. Several cousins, nieces and nephews also survive.

Her funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., with Pastor Ruth Yoder officiating. Burial will be at Rochester IOOF cemetery. Friends may call from 9 a.m. Tuesday until the service.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Methodist Hospital Hospice or the American Cancer Society.

Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Helen (Kulcsar) Rans  Date of Death 5/31/2008

LAKE OF THE WOODS — Helen (Kulcsar) Rans, 93, of Lake of the Woods, died Saturday, May 31, 2008 at Bremen Health Care Center. She was born Aug. 3, 1914 in South Bend to Emery and Elizabeth (Eli) Kulcsar.

She is survived by a daughter: Roxanne (Duane) Leake of South Bend; two grandchildren; two sisters: Irene Kulcsar and Nancy Gaudinier both of Bremen; and a brother, Alex (Helen) Kulcsar of South Bend.

Private family services will be held. Burial will be at the Bremen Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association.

The Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen is assisting the family with arrangements.

Velma Victoria Schultz  Date of Death 5/31/2008

MISHAWAKA — Velma Victoria Schultz, 82, of Mishawaka, died at 10:45 a.m. Saturday, May 31 at Golden Living Nursing Center, Mishawaka.

She is survived by her husband Joyce, son, Kerry L. Schultz of Mishawaka; two grandchildren; two sisters, Helen Dodson, Marion Noon-Johns and two brothers: James and Cletus Noon.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, June 3, at Palmer Funeral Home-River Park, 2528 Mishawaka Ave., South Bend.
Rev. Dennis Ingle, pastor of Albright United Methodist Church, will officiate.

Burial will follow at St. Joseph Valley Memorial Park, Granger, Ind.

The family will receive friends one hour prior to services Tuesday at the funeral home.

**Willard L. Woolley  Date of Death 5/31/2008**

SEBRING, FLA — Willard L. Woolley, 82, of Sebring, Fla., passed away Saturday, May 31, 2008, in Sebring. He was born July 22, 1925, to Arthur and Lily (Truex) Woolley in Plymouth. He had been a resident of Sebring since 1995, after living in Naples, Fla. since 1969. He was a an automotive repairman and salesman, owner and operator of Woolley’s Radiator and Glass Service in Naples; was a member of Phoenix Association and was a veteran of the U.S. Navy, serving in the Pacific Theatre during World War II. He was a member of Heartland Christian Church in Sebring.

Mr. Woolley is survived by his wife, Mary of Sebring; daughter, Susan (and Mike) Greene of Lake City, Fla.; sons: Mike (and Lisa) Woolley of Naples and Randy (and Karen) Woolley of Naples; sisters: Helen Swanson of Rochester, and Alma of Lafayette; brother, Don Woolley of Mesa, Ariz.; seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by an infant daughter, Peggy.

Services will be held at a later date at Heartland Christian Church in Sebring. Memorial contributions may be made in his memory to the U.S. Navy Veteran’s Association.  Cremation arrangements entrusted to: Stephenson-Nelson Funeral Home, Sebring, Florida 33870, 863-385-0125.

**Dr. Frank W. Bauer  Date of Death 6/1/2008**

PLYMOUTH – A longtime Plymouth optometrist, Dr. Frank W. Bauer, 96, passed away Sunday morning, June 1 of natural causes in the Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth.

He was born the son of Mishawaka residents Jacob and Johanna (Frank) Bauer on July 14, 1911.

Frank graduated from Mishawaka High School and the Illinois College of Optometry in Chicago.

On Feb. 12, 1940 in South Bend, he married the former Kathryn E. Stahr. The couple then moved to Plymouth where Dr. Bauer established a practice that would span seven decades. While practicing at the age of 90, Dr. Bauer was recognized as the oldest active optometrist in the State of Indiana by the Indiana Optometric Association.

The Bauers were active members of St. Thomas Episcopal Church in Plymouth. Dr. Bauer was a member of the Masonic Lodge No. 149, the Shrine Temple and a past president of the Plymouth Kiwanis Club.

Playing bridge was a favorite past-time of Dr. Bauer’s and he had enjoyed the company of friends while living at the Miller’s Assisted Living complex.

Dr. Bauer is survived by two daughters; Linda Lee and husband Joseph Felke Jr. of Plymouth and Stephanie Lynn and husband Arthur Levin of Carmel.

Three grandchildren and Dr. Bauer’s five great grandchildren also survive. They are; Christopher and Jennifer Felke with sons Patrick, Thomas, and Nicholas all of Plymouth, Sarah and John Robinson with daughters Celia and Meg all of Franklin, Tenn. and Lindsay Levin of Carmel.

A sister Violet Rode of Monroeville, also survives.
Dr. Bauer was preceded in death by his wife of 54 years, and a sister Florence Marquardt.

A time of sharing with the family will be held in the St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 400 N. Center St., Plymouth from noon to 1 p.m. on Friday, June 6. A Requiem Funeral Mass will follow at 1 p.m. with Fr. John Schramm officiating.

Inurnment of ashes will take place immediately following the Mass in the St. Thomas columbarium.

The Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home is assisting with arrangements.

Notes of condolence may be sent to the family through the funeral home Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com

**Treva Irene Hoffman  Date of Death 6/1/2008**

Treva Irene Hoffman, residing in South Bend, passed away at 8:15 p.m. Sunday, June 1, 2008 in her home at the age of 96.

She was born May 14, 1912 in Nappanee to Ervin and Cora E. (Schalliol) Hygema, and has remained a lifelong resident of this area. On Dec. 27, 1930 in Nappanee, she and George A. Hoffman were united in marriage by her grandfather, Rev. David Hygema. Mr. Hoffman passed away June 9, 1989. Two sisters, Fern Feitz and Mabel Annis, and four brothers, Clyde, Donald, Kenneth, and Ervin Hygema also preceded her in death.

Mrs. Hoffman retired in 1977 from Ristance Corp. and had formerly been employed with Woolworth's as well. She was a longtime active member of St. John United Church of Christ, Woodland.

Two daughters, Evelyn Penrod of Lakeville, and Phyllis and Larry Schafer of South Bend, and a son, Duwaine and Yvonne Hoffman of South Bend, survive Mrs. Hoffman. Also surviving are 16 grandchildren, 29 great-grandchildren, and nine great-great-grandchildren. A sister, Erma Miller of South Bend survives Treva as well.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, June 5, at St. John United Church of Christ, Woodland. Rev. Jo An Schaetzle, pastor will officiate. Graveside services and burial will follow at St. John’s Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday in the Palmer Funeral Home-Lakeville, 314 S. Michigan St., Lakeville, and one hour prior to services Thursday at the Church.

Contributions in memory of Mrs. Hoffman may be made to St. John United Church of Christ, P.O. Box 835, Wyatt, IN 46595.

**Deloris Mae Dean  Date of Death 6/2/2008**

PLYMOUTH – Deloris Mae Dean, 1332 Dora Lane, Plymouth, died at her home on Monday, June 2, 2008. She was 71-years-old.

Deloris was born in Fall City, Neb. on Jan. 23, 1937. She was the daughter of Jake Brisby and Elvina Luella Anna Brisby. She was raised by Elvina and Clarence Elmer Hite, who raised her as his own daughter. She attended school until the sixth grade.

On Jan. 14, 1954, in Fall City, Deloris and Clarence Earl Dean were married. Clarence died on May 17, 1997.

Deloris was a homemaker and part of a military family until they settled in Plymouth 35 years ago.
A very charitable woman she was active with many programs.

She helped to found the Plymouth Neighborhood Center and worked with the Food Basket program. She volunteered for the March of Dimes and the Christmas Tree Program. She helped with the South Bend chili supper for disadvantaged people.

She was a member of the Indiana National Guard Women's Auxiliary, a devoted Christian she was a member of the Church of Christ in Nebraska and was baptized in the Zion Baptist Chapel in Jack, Ala.

Deloris is survived by five daughters and three sons. Her daughters are: Helen Ruth (Eric) Goodrich of Plymouth, Eunice Anna Marie Klaer of Parkhill, Mo., Cindy Lou Sanders of Jack, Ala., Mary Darlene Dean and Kathleen Louise Dean of Plymouth.

Her three sons are: Earl Franklin (Mary) Dean: Clarence “Chip” Elmer Dean and Jakie O'Dell Dean, all of Plymouth.

One brother, Jake Brisby of St. Joe, Mo., and a sister, Mary (Jim) Reed of Bristol, also survive, together with 28 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Deloris was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, a sister, Darlene Brisby Stewart, a baby brother, Billy Brisby.

Friends are invited to be with her family and share memories of Deloris and her life on Wednesday, June 4, 2008, from 5 to 8 p.m in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services, officiated by Rev. Larry Ferguson will be held in the funeral home on Thursday, June 5, 2008, at 11 a.m.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery.

Memorial gifts in Deloris’ memory may be made to The American Cancer Society.

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

PLYMOUTH – Deloris Mae Dean, 71, of Plymouth, died at her home on Monday, June 2, 2008.

She is survived by five daughters and three sons. Her daughters are: Helen Ruth (Eric) Goodrich of Plymouth, Eunice Anna Marie Klaer of Parkhill, Mo., Cindy Lou Sanders of Jack, Ala., Mary Darlene Dean and Kathleen Louise Dean of Plymouth. Her three sons are: Earl Franklin (Mary) Dean: Clarence “Chip” Elmer Dean and Jakie O'Dell Dean, all of Plymouth. One brother, Jake Brisby of St. Joe, Mo., and a sister, Mary (Jim) Reed of Bristol, also survive, together with 28 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Wednesday, June 4 from 5 to 8 p.m in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth. Funeral services will be held in the funeral home Thursday, June 5 at 11 a.m.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to The American Cancer Society.

Ricky Howard  Date of Death 6/2/2008

ATWOOD — Ricky Howard, 35, of Atwood, died Monday, June 2, 2008 at 6:14 a.m. in Logansport Memorial Hospital as a result of complications of a motorcycle accident in 2007.
He is survived by his father, Beech Howard of Atwood and his children: Kirstan Shiann, Ricky Auston, Bryndin Taylor and Kaylin Louise Howard with their mother, Angel Best of Elkhart. His two sisters: Charlene Howard of Logansport and Tammy Bradley of Ligonier, and two brothers: Dewayne (Marla) Howard of Bremen and Lance Howard of Ft. Wayne also survive.

A funeral service will be held Thursday, June 5 at 11 a.m. in Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, Bourbon. Visitation is from 5 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday at the funeral home. Burial will follow in the Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Bourbon.

Brandon Damien Keller  Date of Death 6/2/2008

ROCHESTER — Brandon Damien Keller, 18, of 6779 N. S.R. 25, Rochester, went to be with God on June 2, 2008.

Brandon was born May 5, 1990, in South Bend, to Tonya Keller and David Breyfogle.

Surviving family includes: his parents: Tonya (Keller) and Mario Martinez of Logansport, and David (Heather) Breyfogle of Rochester; grandparents: Jerome and Rea Keller of Monterey and Robert and Doris Breyfogle of Culver; great-grandmother, Marilyn Powlen of Winamac; brothers: Emmanuel and Mario Martinez of Logansport; sister, Eva Martinez of Logansport; uncle, Jeff (Kathy) Keller of Monterey; aunts: Amy (Rahul) Sarkar of Rochester and Stephanie (Josh) Thomas of Monterey; uncle, Scott Breyfogle of Plymouth; aunts: Katherine Breyfogle of Culver, and Karen (Sal) LaDuca of Phillipsburg, N.J.; and cousin, Sarah Keller of Monterey.

Brandon was preceded in death by his maternal great-grandparents: Clement and Marjorie Keller, Sr., and Richard Powlen; and paternal great-grandparents: Harold and Sara Breyfogle, and Robert and Mildred Dooley.

Visitation with the family will be held Friday, June 6, 2008 from 2 to 8 p.m. at the Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver with a Spiritual Wake service led by Father Bert Woolson at 7:30 p.m. A mass of Christian burial will be held Saturday, June 7, 2008 at 11 a.m. at the St. Anne’s Catholic Church in Monterey. Brandon will be laid to rest in St. Anne’s Cemetery, Monterey.

Memorials may be given to Riley Hospital for Children or Memorial Hospital of South Bend. Condolences may be sent to the family via the obituary page at www.bonineodom.com.

Charles E. Elam  Date of Death 6/3/2008

KNOX— Charles E. Elam, 81, died Tuesday, June 3, 2008 in Riverview Hospital, Noblesville.

Survivors include one daughter, Barbara (Kenneth) Foreman of Tippecanoe; two sons: John of Warsaw and Michael (Wendy) of Grovertown; nine grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren; three brothers, Joe of Knox, Jack of Indianapolis and Bill of Lamar, Colo.

A Military Honor Service will be held Friday at 6 p.m. (Central Time) at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel. Friends may call Friday from 3 to 5:30 p.m.

Memorial contributions may be given to the family.

Loretta M. Grimes  Date of Death 6/3/2008

CULVER — Loretta M. Grimes, 77, of Culver passed away at home on June 3, 2008.

Loretta was born on Dec. 5, 1930, one of six children born to Burl and Mary (Walsh) Schofield in Frankfort, Ill. She was married in Metropolis, Ill. To Robert W. Grimes in May of 1976.

They later moved to Marshall County and eventually Culver, where she lived for the past 21
years. She retired from Ristance Corp in Argos after working there for many years.

Loretta was a faithful member of St. Mary’s of the Lake Catholic Church in Culver and a member of the Finney-Shilling VFW Post 6919 Ladies Auxiliary of Culver. She enjoyed working crossword puzzles and reading Harlequin Romance novels.

She is survived by her loving daughters: Rachael (Ed) Tibbs of Bristol, Conn., Donna (Tom) Woodward of Culver, Christine (Michael) Foster of Rochester, and Bobbie Jo (Mike) Grover of Culver; son, Rudy (Mary) Konderla of Lapaz; and numerous grand, great-grand, and great-great-grandchildren.

Loretta was preceded in death by her parents; husband; four brothers; one sister; and her daughter, Deborah Grimes.

A time of sharing memories with the family will be held Saturday, June 7, 2008 from 5 to 7 p.m. EDT at the Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver. Father Glenn Kohrman will officiate funeral services at 7 p.m. Interment will be private.

Memorials may be given to the Finney-Shilling VFW Post 6919 Ladies Auxiliary of Culver in Loretta’s memory.

Condolences may be sent to the family via the obituary page at www.bonineodom.com.

Gertrude Marie Pace  Date of Death 6/3/2008

ROCHESTER — Gertrude Marie Pace, 80, of Rochester, died at 12:15 p.m. Tuesday, June 3, 2008 at Life Care Center of Rochester.

She is survived by daughters: Donna (Alan) Templeton of Akron and Barbara (Tony) Zglenicki of Lucedale, Miss.; six grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

A graveside service will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday, June 6 at Thrailkill Cemetery, near Swayzee.

The Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, is in charge of the arrangements.

Marvin "Muzz" Sumpter  Date of Death 6/4/2008

BREMEN — Marvin “Muzz” Sumpter, 86, of Bremen, died Wednesday, June 4, 2008, at his residence.

He is survived by a son, Tom (Sherry) Sumpter of Morriston, Fla.; a daughter, Janice (Charlie) Spencer of Bremen; four grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and long-time companion, Edith Rector.

Services will be held Friday, June 6 at 10:30 a.m. at the Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen. Visitation is from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, June 5 at the funeral home. Burial will take place at Bremen Cemetery. There will be military graveside services at the cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the donor’s choice.

Geraldine Timms  Date of Death 6/4/2008

ARGOS — Geraldine Timms, 92, of Argos, died Wednesday, June 4, 2008 at 7:55 a.m.

She is survived by her brothers: Kenneth (Darlene) Brugh of Yorkville, Ill. and Ernest (Florence) Brugh of Sebring, Fla.; her daughter, Phyllis (Ray) Cox of Evansville; one grandchild; two great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.
Visititation with the family will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. EDT Saturday, June 21, 2008 at Grace United Church of Christ, 307 N. Plymouth St., Culver, immediately followed by a memorial service in celebration of Geraldine’s life.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Grace UCC General Fund.

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

Anna Melnik  Date of Death 6/6/2008

PLYMOUTH — Anna Melnik, 92, of Plymouth, died Friday, June 6 at Miller’s Merry Manor.

Anna is survived by a daughter, Mary (Jim) Mohon of Plymouth; three sons: George (Chalene) Melnik of Munster, Ind., Joe (Beverly) Melnik of Las Vegas, Nev. And John (Beverly) Melnik of Crown Pointe, Ind.; nine grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Visititation will take place Monday, June 9 at 10 a.m., one hour prior to the funeral service at 11 a.m. at the First Baptist Church of Walkerton. Burial will follow at Calumet Park Cemetery, Crown Point.

Rannell’s Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel, is handling arrangements.

Grace Caroline Wagner  Date of Death 6/6/2008

INDIANAPOLIS — Grace Caroline Wagner, infant daughter of Scott and Katrina (Siebenmorgen) Wagner, died Friday, June 6, 2008 at Community Hospital North in Indianapolis.

Services were held Tuesday, June 10, at Anderson Memorial Park Cemetery at 2 p.m.

Arrangements entrusted to Randall & Roberts Funeral Homes, Noblesville-Fishers.

Jim Bazini  Date of Death 6/7/2008

LAKEVILLE — Jim Bazini, 48, of Lakeville, died Saturday, June 7 at St. Joseph’s Regional Medical Center, South Bend, following an illness.

Jim is survived by his wife Sandra Bazini; his mother and stepfather Rosemary and Don Laughlin of Clayspool; two sisters: Christine (David) Sands of Syracuse and Theresa (Tom) Breading of Warsaw; two stepsisters: Theresa (Mike) Silver of Indianapolis and Michelle (Sean) Koos of Warsaw and a stepbrother, Chad (Manika) Laughlin of Warsaw.

Visititation will take place on Tuesday, June 10 from 4 to 8 p.m. and after 7 a.m. on Wednesday, June 11 at Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth.

Funeral services will take place at the funeral home June 11 at 10 a.m.

Memorials may be made to the Kidney Foundation.

Nellie P. Bridges  Date of Death 6/7/2008

KOONTZ LAKE — Nellie P. Bridges, 95, of Miller’s Merry Manor, Wakarusa, formerly of Koontz Lake, died Saturday, June 7.

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Visitation will take place Tuesday, June 10 at the Koontz Lake Missionary Church at 9 a.m., one hour prior to funeral services at 10 a.m.

Burial will follow at the Grovertown Cemetery.

Rannell’s Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel, is handling arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be offered to the Koontz Lake Missionary Church or Bethel College.

**Derek R. Layton  Date of Death 6/7/2008**

GOSHEN, Ala. — Derek R. Layton, 31, died June 7 from injuries sustained in a motorcycle crash in Goshen, Ala.

There will be a memorial service Saturday, June 28 at 11 a.m. at Grace United Church of Christ, Culver.

Derek loved fast horses, fast cars and fast motorcycles but most of all he loved all his family and friends.

**Linda Lee Baty  Date of Death 6/8/2008**

BRAZIL — Linda Lee Baty, 52, of Brazil, died Sunday, June 8, 2008 at 1:34 p.m. at St. Vincent Clay Hospital.

She is survived by her husband, Dan; sons, Paul and Tina Baty and Jason Baty; two granddaughters; and a sister, Teresa Speegle.

A Celebration of Life will be held Thursday, June 12 at 5 p.m. at First Christian Church. Visitation is from 3 to 5 p.m.

Memorial contributions be made to the Friendly Benwood Christian Campground, envelopes will be available at the funeral home.

French Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements.

**Helen M. Hollan  Date of Death 6/8/2008**

BREMEN — Helen M. Hollan, 61, of Bremen, died at her residence Sunday, June 8, 2008.

Survivors include her husband, Edward Hollan of Bremen; sons: Scott Calhoun of Bremen and Steve Cook of Bremen; stepdaughters: Melissa Baughfam of Cape Canaveral, Fla., and Tina Hollan of Logansport; brothers: Kenneth Whitaker of Bremen and Chuck Whitaker of Lakeville; 11 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Services will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, June 12 at Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen. Burial will take place at Bremen Cemetery. Visitation is from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the South Side Baptist Church in Mishawaka.

**Harry C. Peters  Date of Death 6/8/2008**

Harry C. Peters, 90, formerly of Culver, passed away Sunday, June 8, 2008, in Miller’s Merry Manor in Plymouth. Harry, one of two children born to Charles and Altie Peters was born on April 17, 1918 in Kewanna. He was a hard worker who spent his entire life farming.
He is survived by nephews: Roger Foglesong of Dunkirk, and Carl Foglesong of Oviedo, Fla.; and many cousins.

He was preceded in death by both parents and his sister, Esther Foglesong.

A time of sharing memories with Harry’s family will be held Wednesday, June 11, 2008 from 1 to 2 p.m. EDT at the Bonine-Odom Funeral Home in Culver. A graveside service will follow at the Pleasant Hill Cemetery in Kewanna, south of Bruce Lake at 2:45 p.m.

Memorials may be given to the Culver Bible Church in Harry’s memory.

Condolences may be sent to the family via the obituary page at www.bonineodom.com.

Robert D., Sr. Pranger  Date of Death 6/8/2008

PLYMOUTH — Robert D. Pranger Sr., 63, of Plymouth, died at 1:15 p.m., Sunday, June 8, 2008, at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center in Plymouth.

He is survived by his wife, Doris; sons: Robert and Patricia Pranger of Plymouth and Richard and Lisa Pranger of Plymouth; daughter, Renee Bunger Pranger of Plymouth; eight grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; sister, Pearl and Watson White Jr. of Culver; brother, Albert and Pauline Pranger; his brother-in-law, Donald and Sandy Davenport of Plymouth; his sisters-in-law, Dorothy and David England of Plymouth and Lorraine Davenport of Tippecanoe.

There will be no visitation. A private graveside service will take place at a later date in Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial contributions be given to Marshall County Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, 112 S. Center St. Plymouth, IN, 46563.

The Van Gilder Funeral Home, Plymouth, is handling the arrangements.

Nancy K. Gaby  Date of Death 6/9/2008

MISHAWAKA — Nancy K. Gaby, 64, of Mishawaka, passed away at 7:10 pm, Monday, June 9, 2008 in Hospice House of South Bend, surrounded by family. Nancy was born on June 4, 1944 in Jefferson City, Tenn. to the late Thomas W. and Kathryn (Roach) Hall. On Oct. 10, 1961 in Rutledge, Tenn., she married R. Daniel Gaby.

Nancy is survived by her husband, R. Daniel Gaby; four children: Pam (Scott) Campbell of South Bend, Tom (Michelle) Gaby of Osceola, Tami Gaby of South Bend, and Rich Gaby of Mishawaka; five grandchildren: Tara, Brooke, David, Nick, and Alex; two great-grandchildren: Tori and Amaya. She is also survived by several nieces and nephews and loved to spend time with Randy, Bill, Regina, Autumn and Cody.

She is preceded in death by her parents, sister, Barbara Jean Leed and brother, John Greeson.

Nancy graduated from Plymouth High School and worked for Ristance for many years before retiring. She was a former member of the Mishawaka Eastern Star #267, White Shrine and Avalon Grotto Auxiliary. She attends Immanuel Baptist Church, Mishawaka.

Friends may visit with the family from 4 to 8 p.m., Thursday, June 12, 2008 in Chapel Hill Funeral Home, 10776 McKinley Highway, Osceola. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m., Friday, June 13, 2008 in the funeral home with Rev. Rodney Wright officiating. Entombment will follow in Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens, Osceola.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial donations be made to the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, Inc., 111 Sunnybrook Court, South Bend, IN 46637.
Richard L. Gross  Date of Death 6/9/2008

WARSAW — Richard L. Gross, 85, of 614 Nancy St., Warsaw, formerly of Mentone, passed away Monday, June 9, 2008 unexpectedly in his home of natural causes.

Richard was born the son of Howard G. Gross and Ocie Romine Gross on Oct. 5, 1922 at Pierceton. He was a resident of the Kosciusko County area living in both Mentone and Warsaw.

He worked in the automobile repairs service as a mechanic, body shop and wrecker service.

Richard was married Aug. 7, 1949 to Rebecca Caroline Ellen Gerard, she passed away November 7, 1991.

Richard was a member of the Bourbon First United Methodist Church, American Legion of Both Bourbon Post #424 and Warsaw Post #49, 40 & 8 of the Legion and the VFW. He was also a member of the Masonic Lodge for over 50 years, the Scottish Rites of Ft Wayne and the Moose Lodge of Plymouth. He also was a Veteran of the United States Navy serving during World War II in the South Pacific Theatre.

Richard is survived by his children: Jessica (Jerry) Neff of New Paris, Araminta (Terry) Holderman of Winona Lake, Michael (Lynn) Gross of Warsaw, and Jerry (Jill) Gross of Mentone. He was also blessed with seven grandchildren and sister-in-law, Patricia Gross of Warsaw.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Catherine Elnor and two brothers, Howard Jr. and Loren Dean.

A funeral service to celebrate Richard’s life will be held on Friday, June 13 at 11 a.m. in Bourbon First United Methodist Church with Rev. Ronald Bowman and Rev. Mark Day officiating.

The family will receive friends from 4 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, in the Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home at 115 S. Main St. Bourbon.

Burial will follow in the Bremen Cemetery at Bremen, Indiana with military grave side services.

The family requests any memorial contributions be made to Bourbon First United Methodist Church of Christ in his memory.

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

Veronica E. Bernero  Date of Death 6/10/2008

PLYMOUTH – Veronica E. Bernero, 70, died Tuesday, June 10, 2008 in her home after enduring failing health the past several years. Veronica and her husband Mike have resided in the River Park Community at 805 Baker St. Lot 118 for the past 11 years.

She was born the daughter of Leonard and Evelyn (Krajeski) Estok in Knox, Ind. on April 27, 1938. Raised in Knox, she graduated from Knox High School with the Class of 1956.

On Aug. 17, 1957 she became the bride of Michael A. Bernero in the St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church, Knox.

Veronica was employed as a food service supervisor for 15 years with Miller’s Merry Manor in Plymouth and retired in 2001.

She loved time spent with family, travel, cooking, baking and simply being a homemaker. She
liked to dance, was an Elvis fan and appreciated Classical music.

Veronica was a member of St. Michael Church, Plymouth and the Women of the Moose #1355.

She is survived by her husband of 50 years; her mother, Evelyn Estok of Knox; a son, Marc A. (Lisa) Bernero and children; Jason and Cody; a son, Patrick M. Bernero; a daughter, Charlene D. (James) Espich and child Ryan; and a daughter, Rhonda L. Schuh and children: Taylor and Haylee, all residing in Plymouth.

Veronica has nine surviving siblings. They are six sisters: Beverly Dumas of Ohio, and those residing in Knox; Judy Lenning, Stella Biddle, Carlotta Whitcraft, Bobbie Jo Baker and Priscilla Upp and three brothers: Mike Estok, Dennis Estok, and Chuck Estok also of Knox. Numerous nieces and nephews also survive.

Her father preceded her in death.

Services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Friday in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth with Rev. Fr. Wm. Kummer officiating. Burial will follow in the New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Preferred are memorial gifts to the Marshall County Community Foundation, 2701 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

Notes of condolence may be shared with the family through the Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com

Warren F. Griewank  Date of Death 6/10/2008

PLYMOUTH — Warren F. Griewank, 87, of 635 Oak Hill Ave., Plymouth, passed away at 5:07 a.m. uesday, June 10, 2008, at the Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Warren was born on Dec. 22, 1920, in Plymouth, to Ernest and Lulu (Garner) Griewank. He served his country in WWII in the United States Navy. He was assigned to serve on many Naval Air Stations as an Aviation Metal Smith. After returning home, he worked for the United States Postal Service, as a mail carrier, from 1947 to 1978. Warren had been a member of the Plymouth V.F.W. Post #1162 and the American Legion Post #27.

Warren is survived by his son, Timothy and Deb Griewank of Plymouth; his granddaughters: Kelli and John Grogg of Indianapolis, and Sarah Griewank of Plymouth.

He was preceded in death by his son, Paul M. Griewank; his infant sister, Lucille; his sister, Lois Hartman; and his brother, Howard Griewank.

Funeral services for Warren will be held on Friday, June 13, 2008, at 10:30 a.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, with the Rev. Dr. Dean Fager officiating. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth. Military Graveside Honors will be presented by the American Legion Post # 27, Plymouth.

Visitation will be on Thursday, June 12, 2008, from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Plymouth Public Library or to the choice of the donor.

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

Ilo Wolff Matchett  Date of Death 6/10/2008

She was a benefactor and supporter of the Purdue College of Consumer and Family Sciences and served 39 years as the administrator for the University of Chicago Medical Center Food Service. Her vision and contributions made possible projects that would have otherwise been impossible.

Ilo frequently participated as a subject in their clinical studies and was an inspiration for healthy lifestyles: choir, square dancing and walking each day are only a few of the good lifestyle choices she made in retirement.

She practiced what the department preached.

Ilo was inducted into the Food and Nutrition Hall of Fame at Purdue University on May 1, 2008.

Born on Feb. 7, 1916, on a farm close to Tyner, Ilo was the daughter of Carl and Emma Wolff. She always enjoyed being outside with her Dad. At the age of 10, she was driving horses for cutting and loading hay, later driving tractors for combining and doing many other jobs on the farm.

Her first experience in acting was at 10 years old with the Tyner Christian Endeavor group in the comedy drama entitled, “The Camouflage of Shirley.” The performance was in the Telekamp Hall. Ilo attended both the Tyner grade and high schools. She was a member of the girl’s basketball team and took part in the Junior and Senior class plays and the operetta.

English literature was required in her senior year and her sister, Caroline, was the teacher. Neil Chase, who had been her classmate for 12 years, said that at a surprise party on her 18th birthday, “that was the first time I had seen her speechless.”

She graduated with 30 other students from Tyner High School and spent one year at Indiana Central College. She earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Institutional Management in 1940 from Purdue University.

One of her co-workers introduced her to attorney Hugh M. Matchett. On May 12, 1956, at the University of Chicago, she and Hugh were married in the small Thorndike Hilton Memorial Chapel. Hugh died on April 12, 1995.

During their marriage, Ilo and Hugh enjoyed traveling and exploring new territory together.

An active woman, she was involved with the Chicago Art Institute, the Chicago Symphony and the Lincoln Park Zoo. One of her main interests was family genealogy.

She was a member of the United Methodist Church.

In October of 2000, Ilo moved from Chicago to Epworth Villa Life Care Retirement Home in Stillwater, Okla., in order to be closer to a nephew.

Ilo is survived by a niece and two nephews. They are: Karen (Don) Wood of Nampa, Idaho, Dean (Francine) Thompson of St. Louis, Mo. and David (Janet) Thompson of Stillwater, Okla.

Also surviving are several grand-nephews and nieces: Suzanne (Kevin) Parsons: Devin (Holly) Thompson: Darin Thompson, Colleen Thompson, Nathan Wood and Jeremy Wood.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Hugh and a sister, Caroline Thompson.

Funeral services for Ilo were held earlier at Epworth Villa Chapel in Oklahoma City, Okla.
Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. on Saturday, July 12, 2008, at the United Methodist Church in Tyner.

The Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, is assisting the family with arrangements.

Ilo’s cousin, the Rev. Paul Nye, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Plymouth, and the Rev. Mike Dixon, pastor of the Tyner United Methodist Church, will officiate.

Graveside rites will follow in the Tyner Cemetery, Tyner.

Memorial gifts in Ilo’s memory may be given to the Tyner United Methodist Church.

Sharing of memories and notes of condolence may be sent to the family through the funeral home’s Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com

Pauline Rose Mulqueeney  Date of Death 6/10/2008

PLYMOUTH — Pauline Rose Mulqueeney, 92, died in Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth, at 7:45 a.m. Tuesday, June 10, 2008.

She is survived by nieces: Lenore Munroe, Paula (Ron) Babcock and Mary (Vern) Spoor, all of Plymouth and nephews: Charles (Karen) Munroe of Concord, N.H., John (Nancy) Munroe of Littleton, Mass., James (Cheryl) Munroe of Mt. Gilead, Ohio, John (Diane Lee) Bowman of Woonsocket, R.I. and James (Betsy) Bowman of Barrington, R.I.

A Memorial Mass will be held at St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church. Burial will be in Massachusetts at a later date.

Memorials may be given to St. Michael's Playground Fund.

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

Clyde L. Stickley  Date of Death 6/10/2008

WALKERTON — Clyde L. Stickley, 83, died Tuesday, June 10, 2008 at home.

He is survived by his wife, Eva; daughters: Geraldine (Rick) Ruby of Walkerton and Nancy (Tom) Bolze of Walkerton; seven grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; sisters: Marie (Max) Hardesty of Hamlet and Joan Mapes of Bristol; and brother, James (Kay) Seiders of North Liberty.

Visitation is Friday, June 13 from 4 to 8 p.m. EDT at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel, and Saturday at the church after 10 a.m. Funeral services are Saturday, June 14 at 11 a.m. EDT at the Walkerton United Methodist Church. Burial will be at the Woodlawn Cemetery, Walkerton.

Memorials may be made to the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care or the Memorial Fund at the Walkerton United Methodist Church.

Charles Glendon Harley  Date of Death 6/11/2008

ARGOS — Charles Glendon Harley, 74, of 18044 Gumwood Rd., Argos, passed away Wednesday, June 11, 2008 at 5:55 a.m. at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester, following an extended illness. He was born Feb. 20, 1934 in Argos to Forrest G. and Geneva “Ferne” (Pfeiffer) Harley. On Aug. 8, 1953 at the Walnut Church of the Brethren in Argos, he married Barbara Anne Marks.
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Charles lived all of his life in the Argos community. He was the owner and operator of C&S Outdoor Equipment since 1972 and moved into the current location in 1976. He retired in December 1993.

He served his country in the United States Army Reserve from 1952 to 1955. He graduated with the Class of 1952 Argos High School and served on the Walnut Township Advisory Board during the 1970s. He was a member of the Walnut Church of the Brethren, Argos.

He is survived by his wife, Barbara Anne Harley of Argos; two sons: Jeffrey Harley of Rochester, and Kevin “Scott” (Valerie) Harley of Argos; two daughters: Mrs. Gregg (Robin) Hensley of Tippecanoe, and Mrs. Denny (Penni) Zentz of Rochester; 13 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; sister, Carol Easterday of Plymouth; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Friends may visit with the family Friday, June 13, 2008 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 10 a.m. Saturday June 14, 2008 at the funeral home with Rev. Travis Hensley officiating.

Burial will be at Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County, 420 Main St., Rochester, IN 46975

Electronic condolences may be sent to the family at: memorials@earl-grossmanfuneral.com

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

Wanda Ruth Kane  Date of Death 6/12/2008

BREMEN — Wanda Ruth Kane, 77, passed away after a six-month illness at 3:45 p.m. June 12, 2008.

Wanda was born on Feb. 28, 1931 in Galien, Mich. to Leo Herbert and Laura (Stoner) Lauver. She graduated from North Liberty High School in 1948 and married Harry D. Kane on June 18, 1949 at North Liberty United Methodist Church.

They lived in North Liberty until moving to Bremen in 1971 when their farm was purchased for the development of Potato Creek State Park.

Wanda is survived by her dearly loved family: husband Harry; six daughters and their spouses: David and Jane Yoder, Tim and Jan Hardy, Todd and Jenny Bennitt, Tracy and Julie Miller all of Bremen, Don and Jill Mulvihill of Glen Ellyn, Ill., and Dave and Joann Teune of Concord, N.H. She is also survived by her brother and sister-in-law, Delbert and Julia Lauver of Niles, Mich.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Harry and Wanda have been blessed with 17 grandchildren: Shannon (Mark) McBride, Ryan (Brooke) Libey, Shane Libey, Ben and Katelyn Yoder, Ruth, Ellen and Daniel Mulvihill, Dianne, Kevin and Bethany Hardy, Patrick, Aaron and Brian Teune and Laura, Lenae and Lacey Bennitt. They also have seven great-grandchildren: Dane, Rylan and Jaleigh McBride, Brylie, Seth and Elle Libey and Landon Bates.

Wanda dedicated her life to her family and enjoyed hosting and attending family activities as well as gardening.
A celebration of Wanda's life in Christ for family and friends will be held at Nappanee Missionary Church Sunday, June 22 at 2 p.m. A time of fellowship will follow.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Community Hospital of Bremen or the African Gospel Church (AGC) Baby Center in Kenya, a ministry of the Nappanee Missionary Church.

The Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen is assisting the family with arrangements. Family condolences may be sent to www.mishlerfuneralhomes.com.

Elsa Jean Edington  Date of Death 6/13/2008

ROCHESTER — Elsa Jean Edington, 63, of Rochester, died Friday, June 13 at Woodlawn Hospital.

She is survived by her husband, Ralph "Dink" Edington; two daughters: Christina L. (Kevin) Smith and Rebecca S. (David) Blystone, all of Rochester; a son, Robert (Linda) Edington of Rochester; eight grandchildren: Stacy Smith of Goshen, Ciara, Travis and Olivia Smith, Skyler Overmyer, Emiley Edington, Ella Edington and Benjamin Blystone, all of Rochester; a niece, Abby Cheek of Rochester; two brothers: William A. "Bill" (Dolly) Coley of Spokane, Wash. and Bernard "Shorty" (Lucy) Cooley of Rochester.

Visitation will take place Monday from 5 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to services on Tuesday at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester

Funeral services will be held Tuesday, June 17 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home with burial to follow at Rochester I.O.O.F. Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

John E. Kumpf  Date of Death 6/13/2008

SARASOTA, Fla. — John E. Kumpf, 81, of Sarasota, Fla., formerly of Brazil, Cloverdale, Morocco and Plymouth, passed away June 13, 2008. He was born May 16, 1927 in Brazil, Ind. and was the son of Leslie and Irene (O'Hair) Kumpf.


He was a member of the Methodist Church, Jackson Township Band (Clay County), Lions Club and past president of the Plymouth Blueberry Festival. He graduated from Staunton High School in 1945 and Purdue University. He was a retired salesman for Moorman Feed in Plymouth and Cloverdale.

Memorial services will be Saturday, July 19 at 2 p.m. at the Cloverdale United Methodist Church. The family will be receiving friends Saturday, July 19 from 1 to 2 p.m. at the church. Interment will be in the Cloverdale Cemetery.

He is survived by children: Charlotte Kumpf of Leigh Acres, Fla., Kathy (Tim) Siscoe of Tipp City, Ohio, Connie (John) Gibson of Alamogordo, N.M. and Steven Kumpf of Colorado Springs, Colo.; sister, Mary Lou Riddell of Brazil; brothers: Earl (Mary) Kumpf of Toledo, Ohio and Bill (Rosemary) Kumpf of Brazil; grandchildren: Rachel and David Siscoe; and sisters-in-law: Helen Kumpf and Roxie Kumpf, both of Brazil.

He was preceded in death by his parents, wife and brothers: Glenn Kumpf and Max Kumpf.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Cloverdale United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 408,
Claribel K. Quivey  Date of Death 6/13/2008

CULVER — Claribel K. Quivey, 93, of Culver, died June 13, 2008 at 7:28 p.m. at Miller’s Merry Manor, Culver.

Claribel was born June 24, 1914 in North Judson, to Charles and Dessie (Warren) Scott.

She was a homemaker who lived all of her life in the Culver community.

Claribel married Ronald C. Quivey June 24, 1933 (who preceded her July 18, 1995) in Culver at the Evangelical United Brethren Church.

She was a member of the Poplar Grove United Methodist Church of Culver, Ind.; United Methodist Women; Rutland Circle; Marshall County Extension Homemakers Club and Whipperwill Ladies Aid.

She is survived by a daughter, Alice Hartman (Darwin) of Plymouth; four grandchildren: Kathryn Middaugh of Plymouth, David (Becky) Hartman of Plymouth, Nancy (Bob) Suseland of Plymouth and Jim Hartman of Plymouth; six great-grandchildren: Matthew and Julie Middaugh of Plymouth, Elizabeth and Rachel Hartman of Plymouth, Robert and Andrew Suseland of Plymouth.

She was preceded in death by her parents, one brother and one daughter; Kathryn Quivey

Friends may visit with the family Tuesday, June 17, from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday at the funeral Home with Rev. Henry Sprunger of the Poplar Grove United Methodist Church officiating.

Burial will take place at the Maxincukee I.O.O.F. Cemetery at Poplar Grove, Culver.

Memorial Contributions can be made to Poplar Grove United Methodist Church.

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

Wilma J. Savage  Date of Death 6/13/2008

WARSAW – Former Plymouth resident Wilma J. Savage passed away Friday, June 13, 2008 at 4:30 p.m. in the Warsaw Miller’s Merry Manor. Wilma has resided in Warsaw since 1994.

Born in Bee, Neb. on May 3, 1915, she is the daughter of Lawrence L. and Mary (Kantor) Maixner.

She received a degree as a dental hygienist from the University of Minnesota in 1943 and moved to Plymouth in 1949.

On March 3, 1955 in Plymouth she became the bride of Cleo R. Savage he would precede her in death on May 1, 1994.

In 1957 she joined the Plymouth office of Dr. Arnold Dunfee and provided professional dental
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Wilma served as a President of the Indiana Dental Hygienist Association and was a past member of the Plymouth Chapter of B.P.W. – Business & Professional Women.

She was a former member of St. Michael Church Plymouth and following her move to Warsaw; she became active as a member of Sacred Heart Parish and was involved in Bible Study and the Altar Rosary Society.

Wilma maintained her independence, residing at home where she remained active and enjoy quilting.

The Savage family was blessed with two daughters, two granddaughters and two great-grandchildren. They are; daughter Luretta ‘Rita’ M. Sharp, who preceded in death and is survived by her daughter Deana Patterson of New Port Richey, Fla. and daughter Marie A. Savage-Kindle and her daughter Hadley E. Gill both of Pierceton.

Also surviving are two brothers: Joe Maixner of Ft. Collins, Colo. and Roman Maixner of Wisconsin and two sisters include: Frances Jeske of Rio Rancho, N.M. and Marie Kelley of Oakland, Ark. along with several nieces and nephews.

Wilma was preceded in death by her spouse, her daughter, a sister Celestine Maixner and a brother Raymond Maixner.

A funeral mass will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, June 19 in Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 125 N. Harrison St., Warsaw. The Rev. Fr. Paul Bueter will officiate. Burial will follow in St. Michael Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts may be made to the Sacred Heart Parish or St. Michael Church Plymouth.

The Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St. Plymouth, is assisting with arrangements.

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

Gerald L., Sr. Clark Date of Death 6/14/2008

TIPPECANOE — Gerald “Jerry” L. Clark, Sr., 71, of Tippecanoe, died Saturday, June 14, 2008 in his home in the care of his family.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Muffley; two children: Shelley (Ken) Glick of Bremen and Gerald L. (Lisbeth) Clark, Jr. of Milford; three grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; three sisters: Vi Reichert and Sheryl (Harley) Hugh all of Osceola, Linda (Bud) Elliott of Elkhart and a sister-in-law, Barbara Clark of Goshen.

In honoring the family’s wishes, there will be no visitation or services. Cremation will take place with a family memorial tribute at a later date.

The family requests any memorial contributions be made to Marshall County Hospice in his memory.

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

Ruth May Eastlund Date of Death 6/14/2008

FORT WAYNE — Ruth May Eastlund, 90, of North Webster, died Saturday, June 14, 2008 at 12:01 a.m. at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.
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She is survived by a daughter, Sharon Gray of Lafayette; two sons: Gary (Linda) Eastlund of Leesburg and Marvin (Phyllis) Eastlund of Fort Wayne; nine grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; a sister, Elaine Burroughs of Plymouth and several nieces and nephews.

Visitation will take place Wednesday, June 18 from 4 to 8 p.m. at Mishler-Eastlund Funeral Home, Harris Chapel, Syracuse, and one hour prior to service at the church on Thursday.

Funeral services will take place Thursday, June 19 at 11 a.m. at Wawasee Lakeside Chapel with pastors Harlan Steffen and Brad Cox officiating.

Burial will follow at North Webster Cemetery, Mock Addition.

Mishler-Eastlund Funeral Home, Harris Chapel in Syracuse is assisting the family with arrangements

Larry W. Hartley  Date of Death 6/15/2008

ARLINGTON, Va. — Larry W. Hartley of Koontz Lake was laid to rest in Arlington Cemetery on Monday, July 7 — the most distinguished burial a nation can give its veterans.

Hartley’s sister, Dorothy Snowdon, of Knox, said he received a 21-gun salute and the playing of “Taps,” while an honor guard held the flag over his cremains throughout the ceremony. Later, the flag was folded and handed to his brother, Gary Hartley.

“It was very emotional, very solemn, so formal. I’ll never forget it,” Snowdon said. She described how the honor guard unfolded the flag, held it over the cremains as the chaplain delivered his message. The soldiers then meticulously folded the flag again.

Hartley, who was a Koontz Lake firefighter, died Sunday, June 15, 2007 in Allegheny Hospital, Pittsburgh, from injuries he sustained in an afternoon motorcycle crash on Interstate 470 in Richland Township just east of the Ohio Valley Mall. He was 55.

He was a 20-year veteran of the U.S. Army, a distinction which merited his burial in Arlington, according to Gary Hartley. Gary is a 30-year veteran of the U.S. Navy.

Gary Hartley listed the following awards that Larry received, in order of precedence are: Army Commendation Medal with 1 Oak Leaf Cluster, Army Achievement Medal, Good Conduct Medal (6), National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service with three bronze stars, NCO Professional Development Ribbon (3), Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon (3), Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal, Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross Unit Citation Badge with Palm, Expert Rifle and Pistol.

Attending the ceremonies near the nation’s capital were 16 people from the area, including most of the family and Auditor Michaelene and Jeff Houston from Starke County. Snowdon is a deputy clerk in Michaelene’s office.

Hartley was driving a 2007 Harley-Davidson motorcycle west on I-470 when he traveled off the left side of the road and struck the guardrail three times.

He was ejected over an embankment, and the motorcycle came to rest on the road. Troopers said he was not speeding, and was wearing a helmet. He was riding alone, police said. He was on a trip to raise money for fallen firefighters.

Hartley was well known in Starke County as one of the founding members of the Starke County Firefighters Association Honor Guard. He and the team gained fame when they appeared in Ladder 49, a movie starring John Travolta.

He served for 20 years with the U.S. Army. At the time of his death, he was Michigan City District Manager for Superior Ambulance.
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He taught many of the firefighter training classes locally.

Survivors include two daughters: Theresa Hartley and Heidi (Richard) Jackson, all of Terre Haute; his mother, Lola Hartley of Knox; his sister, Dorothy Snowdon of Knox; two brothers: Gary (Terry) of Jacksonville, Fla. and James of Trinidad, Colo.; and three grandchildren.

Memorial services were held on Saturday, July 21, 2007, at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel. Military honor and firefighter honor services also were held.

Richard L. Salzer  Date of Death 6/15/2008

KNOX — Richard L. Salzer, 77, of Knox, passed away Sunday, June 15, 2008. Richard was born June 16, 1930 in LaPorte to Richard E. and Lois (Bunton) Salzer, both deceased. He had worked for Bethlehem Steel. He married Glenda Sellers on Dec. 7, 1951 in Culver, she survives. Also surviving are their children: Tari Cole of Oklahoma, Toni Hartman of Argos, Lori Minix of Knox and Richard E. Salzer of Monterey; a sister, Nancy Wood of LaPorte; eight grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and six step-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a grandson, Brock Minix; and a brother-in-law, Robert Wood.

Visitation is Tuesday, June 17 from 4 to 8 p.m. at M.C. Smith Funeral Home, Knox.

Graveside funeral services will be Wednesday, June 18 at 2 p.m. at Alexander Heinnemann Cemetery in Ora.

Verlonda "Bill" Burleson  Date of Death 6/16/2008

CULVER — Verlonda "Bill" Burleson, 42, passed away Monday, June 16, 2008 in her home. Mrs. Burleson was born May 4, 1966 in Knox to Verland "Doc" and Betty (Dilts) Harrell and lived in the Culver area for 15 years, coming from Arizona. On Aug. 1, 1987 in Wenden, Ariz. she was married to Joseph "Wade" Burleson, who survives. Also surviving are: one daughter, Mackinna Burleson of Culver; one son, Chase Burleson of Culver; five sisters: Jacque Middleton of Arkansas, Patricia Smith of Etna Green, Jerri Russell of Griffith, Pamela Harrell of Mentone and Ronda Gray of Arizona; one brother, Larry Harrell of Knox and many other loving family members. She was preceded in death by her parents.

Mrs. Burleson was a homemaker and a very devoted and loving wife and mother. She was dearly loved by all of her family. She was the organizer of the family kid’s reunion and was found to be the biggest kid of them all!

Funeral services will be Friday at 2 p.m. (Central Time) at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel. Friends may call Thursday from 5 to 8 p.m. CDT and Friday noon until the time of services. Cremation will take place after the service with burial Friday, June 27 at 1 p.m. at Winamac Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given to the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care Inc. at 112 S. Center St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

Mable (Brewer) Nitcher  Date of Death 6/16/2008

KNOX — Mable (Brewer) Nitcher, 51, of Knox, died Monday, June 16, 2008 at Starke Memorial Hospital.

She is survived by her husband, Jerry Nitcher of Knox; mother, Irene Brewer of Knox; son, Jamie (Mary Ann) Nitcher of Gary; daughters: Jennifer Jean Nitcher of Hammond and Jessica Lynn Laity of Dyer; seven grandchildren; brothers: Roger (Lou Ann) Brewer of Plymouth, Ernie (Laura) Brewer of Knox, Bobby (Debbie) Brewer of Knox and Eugene (Sandy) Brewer of Grovertown; and sisters: Rosemary (Jeff) Reed of Knox and Diana (Curt) Clabough of Knox.
There will be no visitation. Private graveside services will be held. Burial will be at Highland Cemetery, North Judson.

Braman & Son Memorial Chapel, Knox, is in charge of the arrangements.

Arthur Harold Zentz  Date of Death 6/16/2008

PLYMOUTH — Arthur Harold Zentz, 99, formerly of Argos, died Monday, June 16, 2008 at 2:30 p.m. in Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth of natural causes.

Arthur was born the son of Argos residents Elmer and Grace Forsythe Zentz on Jan. 8, 1909.

He graduated with the Argos High School class of 1929.

On Nov. 5, 1931 he and Glenn A. Sanders of Rochester were married at Bruce Lake. She preceded him in death on July 19, 1998.

Arthur made his living as a farmer in Walnut Township until he retired from farming in 1975. He also drove a hack, modernly known as a school bus, for Walnut Township School in the 1930s.

He was a member of the Walnut Township Farm Bureau.

Arthur is survived by his daughter, Marilyn (Zentz) Calhoun, of Plymouth; three grandchildren: Steve (Deborah) Calhoun, of Plymouth; Gary (Ginger) Calhoun, of Argos and Leesburg; and Brian (Pam) Calhoun of Leiters Ford. Two great grandchildren survive as well they are Brandon (Erin) Calhoun, and Allison Calhoun all of Plymouth.

In addition to his spouse he was preceded in death by a son-in-law Donald Calhoun, a brother and sister-in-law Orville (Ruth) Zentz, and a sister Opal Hanes.

Friends are invited to share memories with his family from 1 to 3 p.m. on Thursday, June 19, 2008, at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services will follow visitation at 3 p.m. in the funeral home.

The Rev. Robert Rice from the Walnut Church of the Brethren will officiate.

Burial will be in the Walnut Church of the Brethren Cemetery, Argos.

Memorial gifts in honor of Arthur may be made to the Tippecanoe Watershed Foundation.

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

David Nyle Davis  Date of Death 6/17/2008

ARGOS — David Nyle “Dave” Davis, 57, living at 15368 Michigan Rd., Argos, for the past 30 years, died unexpectedly Tuesday evening of natural causes in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center E.R., Plymouth.

Born the son of Fenten E. and Berniece H. Pozorski Davis in South Bend, Indiana, on Aug. 18, 1950, Dave graduated from Plymouth High School with the class of 1968.

He then graduated from the Colorado School of Trades as a Gunsmith.

On Aug. 30, 1968, Dave and Pamela A. Leffert were married in St. Michael’s Roman Catholic Church, Plymouth.
For the past three years, Dave had been the Service Manager for the Culver Marina. He had also worked in tool and die and operated the Davis Gunsmithing.

A true outdoors man, Dave loved fly fishing, upland bird hunting and enjoyed trips to the Bahamas and Alaska, all accompanied by his wife Pam.

A past member of the Plymouth Gun Club and Quail Unlimited, he had served as president of both organizations.

Dave is survived by his spouse and by their daughter; Shawnda L. (Steven) Wenino of North Liberty.

A sister, Theresa L. Davis, Bourbon, and his mother-in-law, Barbara A. Leffert, Plymouth, survive as well along with special aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

Major, his beloved German Drahthaar hunting dog will also miss the company of Dave.

Dave was preceded in death by his parents.

Friends are invited to share memories with his family on Friday, June 20, 2008, from 3 to 8 p.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

A Rosary will be prayed at 7:30 p.m. lead by dear friend, Dr. John Bottorff Sr.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, June 21, 2008, at St. Michael’s Catholic Church. The Rev. Fr. William Kummer will officiate.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Dave’s memory may be given to the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, 112 S. Center St., Plymouth, IN 46563 or Argos EMS.

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

James P. Lydon  Date of Death 6/17/2008

GROVERTOWN — James “Jim” P. Lydon, 86, died Tuesday, June 17, 2008 in Hickory Creek Nursing Home, Winamac.

He is survived by a daughter, Bridget (John) Lydon Strejc of Grovertown; son, Larry (Doris) Lydon of Grant Park, Ill.; and two grandchildren.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be Saturday at 11 a.m. CDT at Holy Cross Church of Hamlet. Burial will be in the Holy Cross Cemetery. Visitation is Friday from 5 to 8 p.m. and Saturday from 10 to10:30 a.m. CDT at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel where a Rosary service will be held Friday at 8 p.m.

Mass contributions may be given to Holy Cross Church.

Jim “Papa” Alexander  Date of Death 6/18/2008

WALKERTON — Jim “Papa” Alexander, 55, of Walkerton, died Wednesday, June 18, 2008 at home.

He is survived by his wife, Deborah; children: Shannon Holloway of Hamlet, Donald A. (Kelly Joe) Somers of Waynesville, N.C. and Jamie Alexander of Walkerton; seven grandchildren; mother, Betty; sisters: Louise Alexander of Tennessee, Linda (Dale) Gregg of Colorado and
Connie (Charles) Hester of Arkansas; and a brother, Greg Alexander of Chesterton.

Funeral services are Saturday, June 21 at 5 p.m. at Nusbaum Elkin Funeral Home, 408 Roosevelt Rd., Walkerton. Visitation is Saturday from 2 to 5 p.m. at the funeral home. Cremation will follow at a later date.

Memorials may be made to the family.

Joe H. Schwartz  Date of Death 6/18/2008

ETNA GREEN — Joe H. Schwartz, 90, of Etna Green, died at 1:22 p.m. Wednesday, June 18, 2008 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

He is survived by sons: Walter R. (Arlene) Schwartz of Etna Green, Marvin (Naomi) Schwartz of Sparta, Tenn., Lloyd (Mary) Schwartz of Etna Green and Delbert (Sylvia) Schwartz of Etna Green; daughters: Louise (Calvin) Barber of Bourbon and Edna (Alvin) Miller of Nicaragua, Central America; 59 grandchildren; 107 great-grandchildren; five great-great-grandchildren; brothers: Dan Schwartz of Monroe and John Schwartz of Nappanee; and sister, Lovina Helmuth of Nappanee.

Visitation was after 3 p.m. Thursday and is all day Friday at the Lloyd Schwartz residence, 9729 W. 575 N., Etna Green. Funeral services are Saturday, June 21 at 9:30 a.m. at the Schwartz residence. Burial will be at Graber Cemetery.

Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee, is handling the arrangements.

Cecil B. Binkley  Date of Death 6/19/2008

ETNA GREEN — Cecil B. Binkley, 90, of Etna Green, died Thursday, June 19, 2008 at 12:56 a.m. in Goshen General Hospital.

He is survived by his wife, Maxine; children: Carolyn Shigley of Hazel Crest, Ill. and Larry (Rita) Binkley of Etna Green; seven grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, June 21 at 2 p.m. in Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, 115 S. Main St., Bourbon. Visitation is from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday in the funeral home. Burial will follow in Etna Green Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Etna Green Museum Fund.

Sarah Mae (Miller-Chupp) Helmuth  Date of Death 6/19/2008

NAPPANEE — Sarah Mae (Miller-Chupp) Helmuth, 88, of Nappanee, died at 2:35 a.m. Thursday, June 19, 2008 at home.

She is survived by daughters: Ruby (Floyd) Bontrager of Middlebury, Treva (Olen) Yoder of Goshen and Mary (Sam) Barkman of Nappanee; sons: Ura (Mary) Chupp of Nappanee, Samuel (Pearl Louise) Chupp of Burr Oak, Mich., Atlee (Wilma Jean) Chupp of Shipshewana, Ernest (Irene) Chupp of Nappanee, Emanuel Chupp Jr. of Nappanee and Wayne (Linda) Chupp of Syracuse; stepsons: Jr. (Alta) Helmuth and George (Lorene) Helmuth, both of Arthur, Ill.; 50 grandchildren; 13 step grandchildren; 125 great-grandchildren; 17 step great-grandchildren; four great-great-grandchildren; sisters: Ella (Eli) Chupp of Middlebury, Lillie (Dan) Bontrager of LaGrange, Arlene (Enos) Mast of Topeka, Lydia Mae Schwartz of Nottawa, Mich. and Amanda Stutzman of North Carolina; and brothers: Seth (Pat) Miller of Goshen and Samuel Miller of Elkhart.

Visitation was after 5 p.m. Thursday and is all day Friday at the Sam Barkman residence, 30235 U.S. 6 West. Funeral services are Saturday, June 21 at 9:30 a.m. at the Barkman residence.
Burial will be at Weldy Cemetery.

Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee, is handling the arrangements.

**Betty Lou Strantz  Date of Death 6/19/2008**

LYNNWOOD, WASH. — Betty Lou Strantz of Lynnwood, Wash, formerly of LaPaz, passed away June 13. She was the daughter of Al and Gertrude Allen of LaPaz. She attended high school in LaPaz.

Survivors include her sister, Janet Lee Martin of Grand Rapids, Mich., her nieces, Lizabeth Lewis and Jackie Thompson, nephew Jeff Remley all of the Grand Rapids area. Also her Aunt, Mildred Emmons, Cousins,Karen Funkhouser, Kristi Livengood all of the Monticello area and Greg Meyers of Des Moines, Iowa.

Due to her wishes, cremation has taken place.

**Janet Cody  Date of Death 6/21/2008**

GROVERTOWN — Janet Cody, 48, of Mansfield, Ohio, formerly of Grovertown, died Saturday, June 21, 2008 in Mansfield Medical Central Hospital.

She is survived by a son, Jason (Dawn) Cody of Walkerton; two grandchildren; her father, Don "Fuzzy" Clark of Walkerton; and brothers: Steve Clark of Kansas and Dale (Keri) Clark of Walkerton.

Funeral services will be Saturday at 12 p.m. EDT at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel. Burial will be at the Grovertown Cemetery. Visitation is Saturday from 10 a.m. EDT until the time of services at the funeral home.

**Gary C. Mitchell  Date of Death 6/21/2008**

PLYMOUTH — Gary C. Mitchell, 68, of 1125 Ferndale Street, Plymouth, passed away at 6:02 a.m. Saturday, June 21, 2008, at Pilgrim Manor Nursing Home in Plymouth.

Gary was born Oct. 5, 1939, in Des Moines, Iowa, to Charles and Arlene (Allen) Mitchell. Gary proudly served his country in the United States Navy during the Korean War. Gary worked as a sales representative for several companies over the years, one of which was Pilgrim Farms of Plymouth. Sue Gill and Gary Mitchell were married Dec. 17, 1976. They moved back to Plymouth in 1995.

Gary is survived by his wife, Sue Mitchell of Plymouth; his daughters: Denise Mitchell of Fort Wayne, Jill and Louis Smolenski and their children Katie and Erin of Pittsburgh, Pa.; his sons: Steve Gill of Crown Point, Greg and Brenda Gill and their children Greg, Jr. and Amy of Plymouth, Doug and Beth Gill and their children Bryce, Hailey, and Chase, of Wheaton, Ill., and Mike and Helen Gill of White Lake, Mich.; his sister, Vicky and Al Allbaugh of Lolaville, Texas and their children Michael and Julie.

Memorial services will be held Saturday, June 28, 2008, at 2 p.m., at the Plymouth Wesleyan Church, 11203 S. Michigan St., Plymouth, with the Rev. John Branch officiating. A time of visiting with the family will be from 1:30 p.m. until the time of the service at 2 p.m. on Saturday.

The VAN GILDER FUNERAL HOME, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, is handling the arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Gideons International, P.O. Box 494, Plymouth, IN 46563, Hephzidah c/o the Plymouth Wesleyan Church, or to the choice of the donor.
Larry D. Cadie  Date of Death 6/22/2008

BELVIDERE, Ill. — Larry D. Cadie, 59, of Belvidere, Ill. died Sunday, June 22, 2008 in his home following a short illness. He was born April 4, 1949 in DeKalb, Ill., the son of Harold G. and Helen (Jacobus) Cadie.

Larry has lived most of his life in Boone County. He built and owned Cadie Car Hauling. He was a Veteran of the Vietnam Era serving in the Army with a tour in Germany. He was raised in the Methodist Faith. He was a member of NRHA (National Hot Rod Association) and Flora Grange. Larry enjoyed collecting toy model cars, trains and trucks, and '55 Chevrolets. He was also a Harley Davidson enthusiast and a drag racer at the Byron Drag way. He loved attending Bike Week in Daytona, Fla. and also vacationing in Florida.

He is survived by his fiancee, Dawn Thompson of Belvidere, Ill.; his mother, Helen Cadie of Belvidere, Ill.; seven children: Larry; Laurie; Jodi; Jennifer; Jason; Paul and Anastashia; many grandchildren; three sisters: Debra (Dale) Dickison of Plymouth, Kathy (Mel) Stewart and Janis (James) Bakke, both of Belvidere, Ill.; three brothers: Richard (Julie) Cadie of DeBary, Fla., Roger (Susan) Cadie and Steven (Cathy) Cadie both of Belvidere, Ill.; and many aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, and a brother, Lynn.

Funeral services at 1 p.m., Friday, June 27, 2008 in Buck-Wheeler-Hyland Funeral Home 218 W. Hurlbut Ave. Burial in Belvidere Cemetery. All Hot Rod and Motorcycle enthusiasts are welcomed to join the procession to the cemetery. Visitation is 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home. To express condolences online, please visit www.buckwheelerhyland.com

Betty J. Mason-Clipp  Date of Death 6/23/2008

OSCEOLA — Betty J. Mason-Clipp, 73, of Osceola, died at 9:33 p.m. Monday, June 23, 2008 at her brother’s home.

She is survived by sisters: Norma (Elmer) Rapp of Milford, Mary J. Reed of South Bend, Ruth C. Labello of Elkhart, Nancy K. Barrier of Savannah, Tenn. and Nina Tom of Bremen; and brothers: James (Nancy) Mason of Wakarusa, Gordon (Ann) Mason of South Bend, Roger (Stella) Mason of Elkhart, Warren (Martha) Mason of Elkhart and Richard (Donna) Mason of Osceola.

Visitation is Thursday from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to services Friday at the Zimmerman-Inman Funeral Home, Osceola. Funeral services are Friday at 11 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at Olive Mennonite Cemetery. Memorials may be made to The Elkhart Chapter of the Centers for Hospice and Palliative Care or the American Cancer Society.

Father John Neville OSC  Date of Death 6/23/2008

Fr. John Neville OSC, 72, died June 23, 2008 from the effects of cancer. He was born Aug. 6, 1935.

The funeral mass for Fr. Neville was celebrated Friday, June 27, 2008 at the Crosier Priory Church in Onamia, Minn. Internment will be Wednesday, July 9 at 11 a.m. CST at Oakhill Cemetery in Plymouth.

Fr. Neville professed vows in the Crosier Order Aug. 28, 1956 and was ordained a priest May 27, 1961. Throughout his life as a Crosier, Fr. Neville served as a teacher, seminary rector, artist, musician, computer expert, and Crosier Community leader as Prior and Provincial.
Fr. Neville was preceded in death by his father, John S. Neville and his mother Annabelle Neville-Horner. John is survived by his Crosier confreres; his sisters: Ruth (Jim) Rossi and Bobbie (Richard) Hook; and cousins, and niece and nephew. Blessed be the memory of John.

Whitney-Murphy Funeral Home, Little Falls, Minn., was in charge of the arrangements.

William E. “Earl” Byrer  Date of Death 6/24/2008

ETNA GREEN — William E. “Earl” Byrer, 83, of Etna Green, died at 9:47 a.m. Tuesday, June 24, 2008 at Parkview Hospital, Ft. Wayne.

He is survived by daughters: Carma Page of Millwood, Darla (Gene) Frederick of Etna Green and Debra (Gene) Smith of Syracuse; sons: Roger (Betty) Byrer of Claypool and Dan (Robin) Byrer of Fairview, Mo.; 14 grandchildren; five step grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; 10 step great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; and two step great-great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Thursday, June 26 from 6 to 8 p.m. at Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee. Funeral services are Friday, June 27 at 10:30 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at Stony Point Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the William E. Byrer Memorial Fund.

Ruth Elaine Chupp  Date of Death 6/24/2008

ETNA GREEN — Ruth Elaine Chupp, 11, of Etna Green, died at 7:30 a.m. Tuesday, June 24, 2008 at home.

She is survived by parents, Lee Alan and Carolyn Chupp; sisters: Vera Jean Chupp, Rosanne Kay Chupp and Lorene Sue Chupp, all at home; brothers: Duane Alan Chupp and Dale Eugene Chupp, at home; and grandparents: Ray and Lizzie Hershberger of Goshen and Levi and Mary Chupp of Etna Green.

Visitation is after 3 p.m. Wednesday and all day Thursday at the Levi and Mary Chupp residence, 10181 W. 900 N., Etna Green. Funeral services will be Friday at 9:30 a.m. at the Omar Kauffman residence, 8804 N. S.R. 19. Burial will be at Graber Cemetery.

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

James VanVactor  Date of Death 6/24/2008

KNOX — James C. VanVactor, 67, of 3735 South 150 East, Knox, passed away at 1:57 a.m. on Tuesday, June 24, 2008, at Memorial Hospital, South Bend.

Jim was born on July 8, 1940, in Lima, Ohio, to Joseph and Anna (Wagner) VanVactor. Jim VanVactor and Deloris Little were united in marriage on Oct. 5, 1958 in Plymouth. This October, they would have celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

Jim joined the United States Air Force in 1958 and served for 22 years as a special agent for “OSI.” He retired from the Air Force in 1979. Jim and Deloris then moved back to the Plymouth area. He was the Town Marshal of Walkerton, before taking a position, as a deputy, with the Starke County Sheriff’s Department. He retired from the Sheriff’s Department after 18 years of service. Jim and Deloris raised buffalo on their farm. He was known as the “Buffalo Man” in the Knox area.

Jim was a member of the Evangelical Covenant Church of Donaldson, the Masonic Lodge of Knox, the Hamlet American Legion Post of Hamlet, and had been serving on the Starke County Council.
Jim was preceded in death by his mother, Anna, and his brother, Bill.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, June 28, 2008, at 10 a.m., at Van Gilder Funeral Home in Plymouth, with the Rev. Edward Hasnerl officiating. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth. Military Graveside Honors will be presented by the American Legion Post of North Judson.

A time of visiting with Jim’s family and friends, will be Friday, June 27, 2008, from 3 to 7 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth.

The family would like for memorial contributions to be given to the Evangelical Covenant Church, Post Office Box 67, Donaldson, IN 46513.

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

**Steven C. “Burger Boy” Scott  Date of Death 6/25/2008**

INDIANAPOLIS — Steven C. “Burger Boy” Scott, 46, of Indianapolis, passed away June 25, 2008. He was born June 19, 1962 to Howard and Jane Scott of Dayton, Ohio.

Steve attended Ball State University, and was self-employed. He was in charge of the Calendar Club franchises throughout the city in all major malls. His passion was music, where he was involved with the Blues Society in both South Bend and Indianapolis.

Visitation will be Saturday, July 5, 2008 from 2 to 4 p.m. at Shirley Brothers Fishers-Castleton Chapel, 9900 Allisonville Rd. Funeral services will begin at 4 p.m. on Saturday.

Survivors include his brother, Tom Scott; sister Janet Miller; former wife and friend, Kim Scott; stepsister, Nancy Granberg, stepbrothers, Steve and Ron Granberg; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, and stepmother, Louis Granberg.

Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of choice.

**Lori Ann Tomblin  Date of Death 6/25/2008**

PLYMOUTH – Lori Ann Tomblin, 43, died following an auto accident at 6:04 a.m. Wednesday June 25, 2008.

Lori was born Nov. 11, 1964, in Illinois to Ann (Oliver) Meeks.

April 28, 1980 Lori and Michael M. Tomblin were married in West Virginia.

Lori was a caregiver; she enjoyed the outdoors, horse back riding, muscle cars, roses, cooking and her family. She was a mother to all the neighborhood kids. Lori had a great love for animals, especially horses.

She is survived by her husband, Michael; a son, Michael A. Tomblin (Corrie Wootan) and their children: Zachary, Alexis, and Kiley, all of Plymouth; a daughter, Goldie A.M. Tomblin (Jeffrey Bucher Jr.) of Walkerton; two brothers: Charles Meeks of Burr Oak, and Bob Meeks of West Virginia; a sister, Lonnie Skeens of West Virginia survives as well.

Proceeding in death was Lori’s mother.
Friends are invited to join the family in remembering Lori’s life on Saturday, June 28, 2008 from 4 to 8 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St. Plymouth. Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Sunday, June 29 in the funeral home with the Rev. Steve Voelker of the United Church of Christ, Plymouth, officiating.

Burial will follow in the Tyner Cemetery, Tyner.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Make a Wish Foundation.

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

Riley Newton  Date of Death 6/26/2008

NORTH JUDSON — Riley Newton, 58, of North Judson, died Thursday, June 26, 2008.

Survivors include his mother, Elsie Newton of North Judson; a brother, Tommy Newton of North Judson and a daughter, Wannetta Newton.

Visitation is today, June 30 at 10 a.m. at Braman & Son Funeral Chapel, Knox. Funeral services will follow at 1 p.m. at the funeral chapel with burial to follow at Oak Park Cemetery.

Veneda M. Palmer  Date of Death 6/26/2008

PLYMOUTH — Veneda M. Palmer, age 73, of 12589 Rose Road, Plymouth, passed away at 2:20 p.m. on Thursday, June 26, 2008, at her home, surrounded by her family.

Veneda was born Aug. 15, 1934, in Plymouth, to Arthur and Pearl (Bradley) McQuisten. On Aug. 24, 1952, Veneda and Robert J. Palmer were married.

Together they ran their family business, Peaceful Meadows Campground in Plymouth. Veneda was the secretary for the Campground. She was also the secretary for their other business, Bob’s Electric, but her greatest joy was being a wife and mother.

Veneda is survived by her loving husband of 55 years, Robert J. Palmer; their daughter, Linda S. Palmer, of Plymouth; their son, Robert M., Jr. (Valora) Palmer of Culver; two grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; her sisters: Mable (Bud) Griggs of Mishawaka and Margaret Sherwood of Plymouth and her brother, Russell McQuisten of Plymouth.

A time of visiting with the Palmer family will be Tuesday, July 1, 2008, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the VAN GILDER FUNERAL HOME, 300 West Madison Street Plymouth, IN, 46563.

Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, July 1, 2008, at 1 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, Plymouth, with the Rev. James Irwin officiating. Burial will be in Maxinkuckee IOOF Cemetery, Culver.

The Palmer family would like for memorial contributions to be given to The Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, 112 S. Center St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

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

Redetha "Pat" Chodzinski  Date of Death 6/27/2008

PLYMOUTH — Redetha “Pat” Chodzinski, 69, passed away in her home on Friday, June 27, 2008.

Pat was born Feb. 5, 1939 in Arkansas to the late Allen and Elsie Coffman. In June of 1965, in South Bend, she married Richard Chodzinski, who preceded her in death Aug. 15, 1993.
Surviving Pat are her son, Kevin (Tracy) Chodzinski of Osceola, grandchildren Tori and Chloe Chodzinski and many brothers and sisters.

Pat worked as a nurse, retiring in 1982. She enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren, gardening, raising plants, watching birds and watching golf.

Visitation will be Tuesday, July 1 from 9 to 11 a.m. at St. Joseph Funeral Home, 824, S. Mayflower Rd. South Bend. A funeral liturgy will be celebrated Tuesday at 11 a.m. with burial to follow at the St. Joseph Cemetery, South Bend.

For those that are unable to attend, condolences for the family may be made at www.sjfh.net.

Thelma M. Ronk  Date of Death 6/27/2008

PLYMOUTH — Thelma M. Ronk, 92, died at 4:45 p.m. Friday, June 27, 2008 at Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth, Ind. Born in Carrol County, Ind. on Nov. 27, 1915, Thelma was the daughter of Walter R. and Emma Arion Edgerley.


Thelma was a homemaker and had worked as a waitress and as an escort for Mobile Homes. She was especially fond of spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

Thelma is survived by three daughters: Shirley (Ed) Rusher, Patsy (John) Kuhn of Plymouth and Peggy (Mike) Perdue of Rochester; a son, Bill (Karen) Ronk of Plymouth; 12 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Thelma was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; a son-in-law, Gary Lawmaster and a great-grandson, Dustin Ronk.

Friends are invited to celebrate Thelma’s life today, June 30, from 4 to 8 p.m. and after 7 a.m. Tuesday in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services officiated by the Rev. Charles Krieg will be held at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, July 1, in the funeral home.

Memorial contributions in Thelma’s memory may be made to the Dustin Ronk Memorial Fund or the Alzheimer’s Unit of Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth or a charity of the donor’s choice.

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

Martha M. Hoge Swihart  Date of Death 6/27/2008

PLYMOUTH — Martha M. Hoge Swihart, 100, of 635 Oak Hill Ave., Plymouth, formerly of Argos, passed away at 2:50 p.m. on Friday, June 27, 2008, at Miller’s Merry Manor in Plymouth, where she had been a resident since 1988.

Martha was born on Dec. 30, 1907, in Auglaize County, Ohio, to Lewis H. and Elizabeth (Settlage) Hoge. A graduate of Argos High School and Manchester College, she was a teacher at Talma, Ind. and Gas City, Ind. Martha was an active member of the former Argos Progress Club. On July 3, 1945, in Rochester, she married Sam R. Swihart, who preceded her in death on Jan. 14, 1979. In December of 2007 she observed her 100th birthday.

Martha is survived by her daughters: Sally and Larry McKee of Plymouth, Suzanne and Clarence Draper of Georgetown, Texas, and Mary Lunde of DeMotte; her grandchildren: David Wheeler of
Albuquerque, N.M., Mary Wheeler of Indianapolis, Linda Draper of Georgetown, Texas, Gordon Draper of Bryan, Texas, and Douglas McKee of Bangkok, Thailand; her great-granddaughter, Jenna McKee of Bangkok, Thailand; her sister-in-law, Mildred Hoge of Avon; and several nieces and nephews. Martha was preceded in death by an infant sister, Mary Hoge; a sister, Rachel Hoge Zumpfe, and her brothers: Howard, Harold, and Paul Hoge.

The VAN GILDER FUNERAL HOME, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, is handling the arrangements. Graveside services will be held Monday, July 7, 2008, at 11 a.m., in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth, with the Rev. Henry Sprunger officiating.

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

Wayne H. Smith  Date of Death 6/28/2008

NORTH LIBERTY — Wayne H. Smith Jr., 60, of North Liberty, Ind. died Saturday June 28, 2008 in Memorial Hospital.

He is survived by his wife Sherry (Green). Also surviving are his mother Margaret Rose Smith of North Liberty; two daughters: Tracy (Rich) Hamm of Plymouth and Wendy (Wayne) Flora of Walkerton; three sons: Howard and Timothy Smith of Texas and Larry Smith of Knox; 12 grandchildren; two sisters: Gloria Capri of Maryland and Sherri (Bud) Brown of Knoxville, Tenn. and a brother, Dale (Cathy) Smith of Plymouth.

He was preceded in death by his father in 2006 and a brother John Smith in 2002.

Visitation is today, June 30 at Bubb Funeral Chapel, 3910 N. Main St., North Liberty, from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. where a Masonic service will be held Monday evening.

Funeral services will be held in the funeral home at 10 a.m. Tuesday. Burial will follow at Fairview Cemetery.

Loretta A. West  Date of Death 6/28/2008

PLYMOUTH — Loretta A. West, 63, of 305 S. Plum St., Plymouth, passed away Saturday, June 28, 2008, at 8:53 a.m. at her home.

She was born on Nov. 6, 1944, in Plymouth to Eugene and Geraldine (Frohning) Keller. She was a daughter, wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother.

Loretta is survived by her mother, Geraldine Keller of Plymouth; her daughter, Tina and Jose Fernandez of Plymouth; her sons: John Hatfield, Ed Hatfield, Rick and Becky Hatfield, and Bill Hatfield all of Plymouth; six grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren; her sisters: Rose and Don Campbell of Fort Wayne, Karen and Larry Pontius of Plymouth, Linda and Chris Knill of Plymouth; her brothers: Donald and Kathie Keller of Florida, Phillip and Linda Keller of Plymouth, John and Lydia Keller of Plymouth, Eugene and Cindy Keller of Argos, Kenneth and Terri Keller of Plymouth, Alan and Lorra Keller of Plymouth, and Kevin and Bridget Keller of Plymouth. She was preceded in death by her father, Eugene Keller and her brothers, James Keller and Patrick Keller.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, July 3, 2008, at 10:30 a.m., at the Van Gilder Funeral Home in Plymouth, with the Rev. Father William Kummer officiating. Burial will be in Saint Michael Cemetery, Plymouth.

A time of visiting and sharing with the family will be on Wednesday, July 2, 2008 from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth.

Friends may sign the guest book and share memories with the West family at
Ryan Scott Holloway  Date of Death 6/29/2008

ROCHESTER — Ryan Scott Holloway, 20, of Rochester, died at 12:30 p.m. Sunday, June 29, 2008 as the result of an automobile accident.

He is survived by a son, Cayden; his mother, Kari (Jim) Felda of Kewanna; his father, Greg (Alice) Holloway of Grovetown, Ga.; sisters: Tiffany Felda and Amber Felda; and brothers: Calvin Holloway, Wil Holloway, Jake Felda and David Felda.

Visitation is Wednesday, July 2 from 4 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to the service Thursday at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Funeral services are Thursday, July 3 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Ryan Scott Holloway Fund.

Francis “Fran” Eugene Maze  Date of Death 6/29/2008

PLYMOUTH — Francis “Fran” Eugene Maze, 64, of Thayer Street, Plymouth passed away Sunday, June 29, 2008 in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth Campus of natural causes.

He was born Sept. 30, 1943 in Plymouth to Charles W. Maze and Ruby Scott. Fran graduated with the Plymouth High School class of 1961.

Fran served three years in the United States Army. After an honorable discharge he worked for Sprint recently known as Embarq, where he retired in 2005 after 30 years of employment.

He is survived by his mother, Ruby E. Werner and Frederick L. Werner his stepfather of Fruitland Park, Fla.; one sister, Mardene Reid of Summerfield, Fla.; four brothers: James L. (Arlene) Maze of Ocala, Fla., Richard (Sue) Maze of Plymouth and Ronald E. Maze of Koontz Lake.

Also surviving are two step-brothers: Stephen Werner of Pittsburg, Pa., Jon (Mary) Werner of Leesburg, Fla.; and one step-sister, Lora Lee Rike of Ocala, Fla. He is also survived by many nieces and nephews.

Two brothers preceded him in death: Charles Monroe Maze and Gerald W. Maze; and his father, Charles Maze Sr.

Friends will be welcomed by the family for a time of celebration and reflection on Wednesday July 2, 2008 from 4 to 8 p.m. and after 7 a.m. on Thursday July 3, 2008 in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home.

Funeral services for Fran will be held at 2 p.m. on Thursday July 3, 2008 in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, with the Fr. Bill Kummer officiating.

Burial will take place in the New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

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

Online condolences may be sent to the family through the funeral home’s Web site at www.johnson-danielson.com
**Norma Jean Metheny  Date of Death 6/29/2008**

Mrs. Norma Jean Metheny peacefully entered into her eternal rest on Sunday, June 29 at 7:30 p.m. in her home with her family at her side. She had been in failing health the past few years.

She was born the daughter of Howard Hudson and Olive Linn Hudson on June 1, 1926 at Laud, Ind. She was a resident of the area for most of her life. She had been a bookkeeper for Mentone Co-op and in her later years was bookkeeper for Metheny Elevator of Bourbon. She was also a graduate of Mentone High School and a faithful member of the Bremen Missionary Church.

Norma Jean was joined in marriage to Carl Metheny on Dec. 9, 1951. He survives along with their two children: Diane Horn Metheny and David (Lori) Metheny all of Bourbon. She was further blessed with her two grandchildren: Taylor and Tarann Metheny also of Bourbon. She has a sister, Patricia Gross of Warsaw; her two brothers: Donald (Betty) Hudson of Etna Green and Dale (Barbara) Hudson of Warsaw; and a sister-in-law, Barbara Hudson of Claypool.

She was preceded in death by her two brothers; Richard and Kenneth.

A funeral service to celebrate Norma Jean’s life will be held Thursday, July 3 at 2 p.m. in Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, 115 S. Main St. Bourbon with Rev. Gary Hinkle officiating.

The family will receive friends from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. until time of funeral services Thursday in the funeral home.

Burial will follow in Pleasant Hill Cemetery at Bourbon.

**ster; six sisters: Nancy Mollette  Date of Death 6/29/2008**

ROCHESTER — Theann “Annie” Ferrol Mollette, 40, of Rochester, died Sunday, June 29 at 12:20 a.m. at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Survivors include her mother, Dorothy Noftsger of Rochester; her husband John, at home; a son, Ryan (Haley Dille) Weese of Rochester; a granddaughter, Emma Michelle Weese of Rochester; six sisters: Nancy (Leroy) Lyke of LaPaz, Sara (John) Oliver of Rochester, Teresa Maynard of Rochester, Roxie Noftsger of Rochester and Helen (Jerry) Weese of Rochester; a brother, Peter (Kathy) Noftsger of Pelastine, Ind. and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Visitation will take place Tuesday, July 1 from 9 to 11 a.m. at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Funeral services will begin Tuesday at 11 a.m. with burial to follow at Rochester IOOF Cemterey.

**Bryant Matthew Scott  Date of Death 6/29/2008**

MACY — Bryant Matthew Scott, 18, of Macy, died at 12:30 p.m. Sunday, June 29, 2008 in Mentone as the result of an automobile accident.

He is survived by his mother, Janice (Brad) Norman of Macy; father, Dewayne Scott of Kokomo; brother, Dewayne Hecht of Macy; and grandparents, Charles and Rosie Scott of Kokomo.

Visitation is Monday, July 7 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Funeral services are Tuesday, July 8 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at Plainview
Nancy Ann Fatchett  Date of Death 6/30/2008

WINONA LAKE — Nancy Ann Fatchett, 51, of Winona Lake, died at 6:10 p.m. Monday, June 30, 2008 at Kosciusko Community Hospital. She was born Dec. 27, 1956 in Warsaw to Robert and Doris (Kincaide) Kesler.

She graduated from Warsaw High School, Class of 1975 and Ball State University, Class of 1980. A lifetime resident of Warsaw, she married Robert Fatchett on Dec. 5, 1997 in Warsaw.

She was a member of Warsaw Evangelical Presbyterian Church and Tri Kappa Sorority. Nancy loved and was loved by everyone. She loved animals and was a supporter of the Animal Welfare League. She was also an avid football fan.

Nancy is survived by her husband, Robert Fatchett of Winona Lake; daughter, Kirsten Fatchett of Winona Lake; son, Cole Fatchett of Winona Lake; mother, Doris Kesler of Warsaw; sister, Susan (James) Wagner of Plymouth; brother, Steve (Kim) Kesler of Warsaw; and father and mother-in-law; Wayne and Shirley Fatchett of Moline, Ill.

She was preceded in death by her father.

Services will be held at Warsaw Evangelical Presbyterian Church, Warsaw, on Thursday, July 3 at 11 a.m. with Rev. Bill Burd and Rev. Ron Horgan officiating. Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, July 2 at McHatton-Sadler Funeral Chapel, Warsaw.

Burial will be at Oakwood Cemetery, Warsaw.

McHatton-Sadler Funeral Chapel, Warsaw, is in charge of arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Animal Welfare League of Kosciusko County, 3489 East 100 South, Pierceton, IN 46562.

To sign the guestbook or send condolences electronically, go to mchattonsadlerfuneralchapels.com

Loretta S. “Shorty” Land Vigar  Date of Death 7/1/2008

TIPPECANOE — Loretta S. “Shorty” Land Vigar of 3259 18B Road in Tippecanoe peacefully entered into her eternal rest on Tuesday, July 1, 2008 at 2:29 p.m. in Memorial Hospital of South Bend. She had been in failing health.

She was born the daughter of Joseph Land and Beulah Boone Land on Aug. 16, 1935 at Indianapolis. She was a homemaker and she loved to work crossword puzzles, do knitting, play Yahtzee and Rummy. She loved anything involving contesting. She was also very active in the Silver Dollars Saddle Club when it was active. She was a faithful member of the Full Gospel House of Prayer in Tippecanoe.

Shorty was joined in marriage to Harleyglen Vigar on Aug. 16, 1969. He survives along with their seven children: Maria & husband Wilbur Yoder of Topeka, LuAnn & husband Melvin Davis of Carrollton, Ky., Terie Ramirez & friend Mike Lackovic of Warsaw, Angie Chapman of Stuttgart, Ark., Susan & husband Larry Ingram of Taylor, S.C., Tina Orman of San Diego, Calif. and her son, Glen & wife Kim Vigar of Logansport. She was further blessed 23 grandchildren and 32 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents a sister, Louise Thompson and two grandchildren.

A funeral service to celebrate Loretta’s life will be held Saturday, July 5 at 11:30 a.m. in Deaton-
The family will receive friends from 9 a.m. until time of funeral services Saturday in the funeral home.

Burial will follow in Tippecanoe Cemetery at Tippecanoe.

The family requests any memorial contributions be made to the Full Gospel House of Prayer in her memory.

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

**Agnes Eileen Haser Biank**  **Date of Death 7/4/2008**

GRANITE FALLS, N.C. — Mrs. Agnes Eileen Haser Biank, 79, of Granite Creek, N.C., passed away Friday, July 4, 2008 at Camelot Manor Nursing Care Facility.

She was born Aug. 5, 1928 in Elk County, Pa. to the late Edward Haser and Suzanne Mullen Haser. Mrs. Biank was a homemaker and a member of St. Francis of Assisi Roman Catholic Church.

In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by her husband, Robert Biank and her sister, Julia Evers.

She is survived by two daughters: Karen Louise Plyler of Elkhart and Donna Frushour and husband Mark of Granite Falls; her son, Robert Edward Biank and wife Shirley of Ridgway, Pa.; four grandchildren: Anthony, Trevor, and Thomas Frushour and Brian Plyler; and her sister, Phyllis Kerr of Johnsonburg, Pa.

Funeral Mass for Mrs. Biank will be held at The Holy Rosary Catholic Church in Johnsonburg, Pa. Friday, July 11 at 10 a.m. with visitation preceding the service with Father Wilson officiating.

Mackie-High Funeral Home is serving the Biank family. You may view the obituary on line at www.mem.com.

**Zachary Lee Flosenzier**  **Date of Death 7/4/2008**

PLYMOUTH — Zachary Lee Flosenzier, 10, died at 2:35 p.m., on Friday, July 4, 2008, doing what he loved to do best, riding his motorcycle.

Zachary was born in Starke Memorial Hospital on January 25, 1998, the son of Vicki Whitaker Flosenzier, and Clayton Flosenzier, both of Plymouth.

Zachary would have entered the 4th grade this fall at Menominee Elementary School.

The young man’s passion was riding his motorcycle. He dreamed of becoming a professional racer and often competed at his sport at dirt tracks in the area.

He also enjoyed fishing and gardening with his grandfather, picking green beans and cutting big orange pumpkins. He loved to plant flowers and to see them grow and blossom.

Zachary is survived by his parents and by four sisters: Ashley and Alice, both of Plymouth and Brittany and Nicole of Statesville, N.C.

Also surviving are grandparents, Jack and Melenie Flosenzier, Plymouth and Ernest and Marlene Wilson of Grovertown.

Several aunts, uncles and cousins survive as well and he was an uncle to Brighton and Zachy
Smith of Statesville.

Friends are invited to share memories of Zachary with his family from 3 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, July 10, 2008 and continue after 7 a.m. on Friday, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, July 11, 2008, in the funeral home. The Rev. Charles Krieg will officiate.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery.

Memorial gifts may be made to Zachary’s Funeral Fund.

Note of condolence may be sent to the family through the funeral home’s Web site: www.johnson-

Jack D. Klingerman  Date of Death 7/4/2008

BOURBON — Jack D. Klingerman, age 74, of Bourbon peacefully entered into eternal rest on Friday, July 4 at 7:17 a.m. in Goshen General Hospital. He had been in failing health.

He was born the son of Floyd Klingerman and Mabel Flory Klingerman on July 27, 1933 at Argos, Ind. He was a retired welder previously owning Klingerman Welding of Bourbon. He enjoyed drag racing and fishing in his past time.

He was also an Associate Member of the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #130 and a member of the Bourbon American Legion Post #424. Jack was a Veteran of the united States Navy, serving during the Korean Conflict.

Jack was joined in marriage to Leah Ann Tracy on October 24, 1958. She passed away September 3, 1999.

He is survived by three children: Mark and wife Denise Klingerman of Bourbon, Tammie Klingerman of Warsaw and Tracy Klingerman of Bourbon. He was further blessed with three grandchildren: Aaron and Eva Klingerman, Stacy Klingerman and Austin Klingerman.

Jack also has three sisters: Betty and Kenneth Powell of Argos, Zada and Robert Border of Bourbon and Linda Rogan of Kenton, Ohio; two brothers: Larry and Lee Klingerman and Dan and Donna Klingerman all of Bourbon, along with his sister-in-laws, Jean Zehner of Monticello and Carolyn Sue Tracy of South Bend.

A Funeral Service to celebrate Jack’s life will be held Thursday, July 10 at 10:30 a.m. in Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, 115 S. Main St. Bourbon, Indiana with his son, Mark Klingerman officiating.

The family will receive friends from 2 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

Burial will follow in Pleasant Hill Cemetery at Bourbon, Ind.

The family requests any memorial contributions be made to Care at Home Hospice of Goshen General Hospital, 200 High Park Avenue Goshen, IN 46526 or to the Cancer Association in his memory.

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

David Walter Patrick  Date of Death 7/4/2008
KNOX — David Walter Patrick, 68, of Knox, died Friday, July 4, 2008 at Memorial Hospital of South Bend.

He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth Patrick of Knox; son, Matthew Toosley of Knox; daughters: Megan Heitz of LaPorte, Candice (Chris) Witten of North Judson, Melissa (Josh) Hansen of Hamlet and Tanya Patrick of Severville, Tenn.; brothers: Danny Patrick, James Patrick and Hebert (Marsha) Patrick, all of Knox; sisters: Shirley (Joe) Howell of Branson, Mo., Catherine Back of North Judson, Retha (William) Russell of North Judson, Daisy (John) Deeter of Logansport, Mary Jane Parish of Arkansas and Sharon Hopkins of North Judson; and seven grandchildren.

Visitation was Tuesday, July 8 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. with funeral services following at 1 p.m. at Braman & Son Memorial Chapel, Knox. Burial will be at Eagle Creek Cemetery.

William "Bill" Joseph Stokes Date of Death 7/4/2008

ROCHESTER — William "Bill" Joseph Stokes, 64, of Rochester, died July 4, 2008 at 1 a.m. at Memorial Hospital, South Bend following a short illness.

He is survived by his wife, Sue, at home; his mother, Rosanne Stokes of Elwood, Ind.; three sons: Stephen Stokes and Lisa Rowe of Indianapolis, Christopher Stokes and Johanna Gautier of Rochester and Richard (Tracy) Stokes of Elwood; two sisters: Suellen Stokes of Anderson and LeAnn (Greg) Linsmyer of Elwood; eight grandchildren: Zachary, Owen, Jennifer, Shelby, Philip, Garrett, Angela and Brittany.

Visitation will take place Tuesday, July 8 from 4 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to services Wednesday, at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, July 9 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will follow at Elwood Cemetery, Elwood, Ind. at 2:30 p.m. with military rites.

Memorials may be made to First Baptist Church Window Fund. 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. 

Louise R. Keyser Date of Death 7/5/2008

BREMEN — Louise R. Keyser, 93, of Bremen, passed away Saturday, July 5, 2008 at the Bremen Health Care Center in Bremen.


Visitation will be held Monday, July 7 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. at Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen.

Funeral services will be Tuesday, July 8 at 11 a.m. at Grace United Methodist Church, Bremen with burial to follow at Bremen Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Grace United Methodist Church or Hospice of Marshall County.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.mishlerfuneralhomes.com.

Howard “Smokie” Stutzman Date of Death 7/5/2008
PLYMOUTH — Howard “Smokie” Stutzman, 82, of Bourbon, died at 9:30 p.m. on Saturday, July 5, 2008, in the Pilgrim Manor Care Center, Plymouth.

Smokie was born at home November 10, 1925, in Leesburg, Ind., the next-to-youngest son of the 13 children of David D. and Ida Hostettler Stutzman.

The nine boys and four girls grew up on a 140-acre farm near Nappanee. Raised in a strict Amish family, the family spoke low-German. Smokie once said that they went to school to learn how to speak English.

None of the 13 Stutzman children remained in the Amish community, but Smokie agreed that they all learned value that permeated their lives.

Smokie lived in this area all of his life except for the 12 years he spent in Texas.

Of the entire family, only Smokie and an older sister graduated from high school. He earned his diploma while he was in the Navy.

Smokie had served his country in the United States Navy during WWII from Nov. 9, 1943 until May 3, 1946.

On Nov. 10, 1947, in Plymouth’s First United Church of Christ, Smokie and Patricia “Patty” Witham were married. From that day forward they did everything together.

They raised three children, served as longtime managers of the Plymouth Country Club, they owned and operated a Kentucky Fried Chicken in Texas from 1966 to 1977 and Patty’s Party Pack in Plymouth from 1985 to 1993.

Smokie was a respected and talented realtor for 16 years, retiring in 2000.

Married for 59 years, Patty died on August 27, 2006.

He was a member of the Plymouth Country Club, the Moose Lodge, the Plymouth VFW and Bourbon’s American Legion.

Smokie is survived by their children: a daughter, Rexalea Warren of Plymouth, and a son, Samuel Witham(Lori) Stutzman of Bourbon, along with five grandchildren: Christopher “Scooter” Warren and Jennifer Warren, both of Plymouth; Schuyler (Julie) Stutzman of Fort Wayne; Lindsay Stutzman and Savannah Stutzman, both of Bourbon. A sister, Barbara Swift, also survives.

Uncle Smokie leaves behind numerous nieces and nephews.

Smokie was preceded in death by his beloved wife; his parents; a son, Bill and 11 brothers and sisters: Jonas, Issac, Dan, Marvin, Joe, Eli, Delbert and Alvin, Alice, Alma and Sara.

The family will receive friends from 4 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, July 9, 2008, at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Smokie will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, July 10, 2008, with one hour of calling prior in the church where he was a member, the First United Church of Christ, 321 N. Center St., Plymouth, with Pastor Steve Voelker, and Rev. Dr. Ronald Liechty officiating.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Smokie’s name may be made to the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care.

Words of condolence and the sharing of memories may be expressed to the family via their web
Gladys Swihart  Date of Death 7/5/2008

GOSHEN — Gladys Swihart, 86, died Saturday, July 5, 2008 at Goshen General Hospital.

She is survived by a sister, Ruth Keyser of Plymouth and a brother, Otis (Elizabeth) Sailor of Noblesville, Ind.

Visitation will take place Monday, July 7 from 4 to 7 p.m. at Yoder-Culp Funeral Home, Culver.

Funeral services will take place Tuesday, July 8 at 11:30 a.m. at the funeral home with burial to follow at Violett Cemetery, Goshen.

Memorials may be made to First Brethren Church, Goshen

Irene Grimm  Date of Death 7/6/2008

KNOX — Irene Grimm, 88, of Wintersong Village Nursing Home, Knox, died July 6, 2008 in the nursing home.

Survivors include one half-sister, Judy Ginn of St. Charles, Ill. and many great nieces and great nephews.

Funeral services will be Friday at 1 p.m. CDT at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel.
Visitation is Thursday from 4 to 8 p.m. CDT and Friday from noon until the time of services in the funeral home.

Donald J. Monesmith  Date of Death 7/6/2008

BOURBON — Donald J. Monesmith, 83, of died Sunday, July 6 at 10:30 a.m. in LuAnn Nursing Home of Nappanee.

He is survived by his wife, Lois; sons: Rex (Mary Lou) Monesmith of Avilla and Dennis Monesmith of Bourbon; two grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and sister, Marilee (Richard Holdeman) of Bourbon.

Visitation is from 9 to 11 a.m. Wednesday in the Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, Bourbon with a graveside service following at 11:30 a.m. in the Pleasant Hill Cemetery at Bourbon.

Dorothy J. Vermillion  Date of Death 7/7/2008


Dorothy was a lifetime Plymouth resident.

She was born Oct. 2, 1924 to Melvin and Ella Earl Booker.

She attended Culver High School.

Married on May 12, 1941, to Clyde O. Vermillion, they enjoyed 67 years together.

She was employed for over 25 years at Wagner Wire in Plymouth.

A very active woman, Dorothy enjoyed camping, traveling and horseback riding. She baked, canned food and went motorcycling riding with her husband.
She is survived by her husband and their two sons: James A. and Dennis L. (Margaret) Vermillion.

Six grandchildren: Cindy and Dennis Overmyer, Lisa Vermillion, Chad and Kim Vermillion, Tracy Montgomery, Stephanie Bradley, Heather and Jeremy Houin. seven great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild also survive.

She was also survived by numerous nieces, nephews and friends and her faithful companion, Kayla, her beautiful poodle.

Dorothy was preceded in death by her parents and three brothers and two sisters. They are: Marion, Delma and Oscar Booker and Beulah Booker and Geraldine Shafer, and her daughter–in-law, Brenda Vermillion.

Friends will be welcomed by the family to celebrate Dorothy's life from 1 to 3 p.m. on Friday, July 11, 2008, at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Dorothy will follow visitation at 3 p.m. in the funeral home. The Rev. Charles Krieg will officiate.

Burial will be in Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Dorothy's memory may be made to American Cancer Society.

Notes of condolence and the sharing of memories may be sent to the family via the funeral home's Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com .

**King Phillip, III Aitken  Date of Death 7/9/2008**

ELKHART — King Phillip Aitken III, 70, of Elkhart, passed away at the Cleveland Clinic in Cleveland, Ohio on Wednesday, July 9, 2008 following a brief illness. Phil was born Jan. 31, 1938 in Yates Center, Kan.

Surviving are his wife, Maxine Aitken of Elkhart, and children: Rhonda (Mike) Erdelyi of Plymouth, Pam (Buddy) Burns, of Indianapolis, and Mike Aitken of Bremen. Also surviving are his step-children, Dave (Shelly) Balleau of Houston, Texas; Jeff (Sharon) Balleau of St. Louis, Mo. and Mike Balleau of Wichita, Kan.

Surviving as well are 14 grandchildren, his mother, Maxine E. Aitken of Dodge City, Kan. and his sisters: Sandie (Eddie) Shipley and Susan (Ron) Johnson, of Tucumcari, N.M. Phil was preceded in death by his father, King P. Aitken Jr.

A time of calling will be held two hours prior to the 1 p.m. memorial service on Wednesday, July 16, at Chapel Hill Funeral Home, Osceola.

Phil was employed for many years as a designer and consultant for several businesses throughout his career. In his memory, contributions may be made to the charity of the donor’s choice.

Online condolences may be sent to the Aitken family at www.chapelhillmemorial.com .

**Phyllis E. (Menser) Binkley  Date of Death 7/9/2008**

BOURBON — Phyllis E. (Menser) Binkley, 87, of Bourbon, passed away on Wednesday, July 9, 2008, at Community Hospital of Bremen. She was born Jan. 8, 1921, in Marshall County to Mr. and Mrs. Menser.

She married Lester Binkley. He preceded her in death in 1972.
Phyllis was an avid bowler. She loved dogs and spending Saturday mornings with family. She was retired from Biomet in Warsaw.

Survivors include one daughter-in-law, Becky Binkley of Bremen; one grandson, Adam R. (Leah) Binkley of Bremen; one great-granddaughter, Macie E. Binkley of Bremen; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Lester; one son, Richard Binkley; and two brothers.

Services will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, July 11, 2008, at Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen. Burial will take place at Oak Hill Cemetery in Plymouth. Friends may call two hours prior to services at the funeral home from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Friday.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or the Humane Society.

The Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen is assisting the family with arrangements. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.mishlerfuneralhomes.com

**John F. Bolinger  Date of Death 7/9/2008**

MICHIGAN CITY — John F. Bolinger, 72, of Michigan City, died Wednesday, July 9, 2008, at St. Anthony Memorial Hospital after a lengthy illness.

Funeral services will be held 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Queen of All Saints Church, with Fr. John Hogan officiating. The family will receive relatives and friends Friday from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Carlisle Funeral home, where there will be a Michigan City Lions Club memorial service at 6:30 p.m. and a scripture service at 7 p.m. Burial will be made at St. Stanislaus Cemetery.

Mr. Bolinger was born April 9, 1936, in Plymouth to John F. and Cecelia (Sester) Bolinger, who have proceeded him in death. On Oct. 14, 1967, he was united in marriage to Mary Thomas at St. Stanislaus Catholic Church.

He is survived by his wife, Mary; children: Janet Ortegon of Sheboygan, Wis., John T. (Hiroe) Bolinger of Glen Ellyn, Ill. and Christine (Lee) Harshbarger of Evansville; three grandchildren: Alex Ortegon and Sam and Jake Harshbarger; one brother, Joseph P. Bolinger of Grand Rapids, Mich.; one sister, Mary Ann Bolinger of Plymouth.

Mr. Bolinger was an electrical microwave technology specialist at NIPSCO, retiring in 1998 after 18 years of service. He had also worked at Swiss Controls as a chief project engineer for 10 years, where he had secured 20 patents for his inventions for many different types of electronic devices.

He was a member of Queen of All Saints Church, Michigan City Knights of Columbus and Michigan City Lions Club. He enjoyed refurbishing antique radios and was a member of the Indiana Historical Radio Society. He will always be remembered as a loving and devoted husband, father and grandfather.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Franciscan Community Service Hospice and Michigan City Art League.

To sign the guestbook, or leave online condolences visit carlislefh.com .

**Lloyd A. McFarlin  Date of Death 7/9/2008**

PLYMOUTH – Lloyd A. McFarlin, 89, a lifetime Plymouth – West Township resident, died of natural causes at 2:05 p.m. on Wednesday, July 9, 2008, in Miller’s Merry Manor, 635 Oakhill Ave., Plymouth.
Born in Plymouth on Sept. 24, 1918, Lloyd was the son of John Lloyd and Lottie (Angler) McFarlin.

He graduated from Plymouth High School with the class of 1937.

A Peach Road dairy farmer for 60 years and a Plymouth Community School bus driver for 23 years, he was a West Township Trustee and on the school organization committee when the schools combined. He was also a member of the Marshall County Farm Bureau.

On Feb. 4, 1940, Lloyd and Carol Louise Hite were married and preceded in death on Oct. 12, 1986.

Lloyd was a song leader at his church, the Trinity United Methodist Church in Plymouth. In his early years, he was in several singing groups: the Singing Bulls, the Marco Mountaineers, the Patrick Gingleheimer and the Barber Pole Cats noted for their renditions of "A Bicycle Built for Two."

The singers performed for many occasions including entertainment for the Veterans’ Hospital in Muncie.

Lloyd is survived by two sons and a daughter. They are John (Pat) McFarlin of Elkhart, Jim (Ricki) McFarlin of Ligonier, and Ruth (Bill) Stayton of Plymouth.

Six grandchildren and several great-grandchildren survive as well.

Lloyd was also preceded in death by two grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Friends are invited by Lloyd’s family to celebrate his life on Sunday, July 13, from 12:30 to 2 p.m. at the Trinity United Methodist Church, 425 S. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Lloyd will follow the visitation at 2 p.m. in the church officiated by Rev. Kerry O’Brien and Mike Burroughs.

Internment will be in Oakhill Cemetery.

Memorial gifts may be made to the church or the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

The Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, has been entrusted with arrangements.

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

Marie (Polson) McFaul  Date of Death 7/9/2008

Marie (Polson) McFaul, 93, a resident of Bellingham, Wash. died on July 9, 2008 after a short illness.

Marie was born in Michigan City on March 30, 1915 to Ben H. and Callie (Bellman) Polson. The family moved to Bremen in 1916, where she graduated from Bremen High School in 1933.

She graduated from South Bend Business College of Commerce. She was married Nov. 24, 1938 to Paul J. McFaul; he died in 1986. In 1955 the family moved to California, and after dad died, she moved to Washington to be close to family.

Marie retired from General Motors Acceptance Corp. after 26 years as a secretary. She and dad traveled extensively all over the world, and she worked for 12 years as a volunteer at the
Snohomish County Visitor’s Information Center.

Her parents, her brother Jim and her sister Helen, precede her in death. Her daughter and husband, Barb and Rich Clearman of Everson, Wash., and a son Douglas J. McFaul of Las Vegas, N.M. survive her. Also surviving are her sister-in-law, Lulu Polson of Bremen, and numerous nieces and nephews.

She died the way she had lived, on her own terms, and in complete control until the end. Mom was an inspiration to many, showing by example how to deal with the loss of vision that made her life a challenge. She taught her family how to live, how to adapt to physical limitations and finally, how to die with grace and dignity, and, as always, with a sense of humor. Her sense of curiosity never waned, and she often asked family to look something up on the internet that piqued her interest from something she had heard or read. She took advantage of every available technology she could; she was an avid reader of Audio books, used her reader to read cards and still used her computer for stories and notes. Mom loved to write, and in addition to writing and self-publishing her "Musings by Marie", she wrote a family history and had written much about early life. In the last few weeks, she was working on telling her life story using songs over the years that meant something to her, titled "I Did It My Way.

There will be no formal services; after cremation, her ashes will be scattered by family in the Pacific Ocean, where she will take her final journey.

Donations may be given to the Marshall County Historical Society, 123 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, IN 46563. (574)-936-2306. Arrangements have been entrusted to Jerns-McKinney Funeral Chapel in Blaine, Wash.

James A. Boocher  Date of Death 7/10/2008

LAKE CITY, Fla. — James A. Boocher, 60, of Bremen died July 10, 2008 at Lake City VA Nursing Home, Hospice Unit in Lake City, Fla.

He is survived by two brothers: Michael of Warsaw and Randy (Gwendolyn) of Bremen and two sisters, Vicki (Don) Weaver and Sara McCollough, both of Plymouth, 10 nieces and nephews and 16 great-nieces and nephews.

A graveside service and burial is planned for 11 a.m. Aug. 6 at the Bremen Cemetery.

Wilma Jean McGowan  Date of Death 7/10/2008

LAKEVILLE — Wilma Jean McGowan, 82, of Lakeville, passed away at 9:30 p.m. Thursday, July 10, 2008 at Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth.

She retired in 1984 from Easy Heat following 20 years of service. She was born Oct. 23, 1925 in Monticello, to Homer and Bernice (Hans) Down. May 22, 1948 in South Bend, she married David Lee McGowan who preceded her in death on July 8, 1984.


Mrs. McGowan volunteered at the Monticello Hospital. Her and her husband loved to dance. She was Past Worthy Matron and member of the Order of Eastern Star Lakeville Chapter, #479 and a member of Avalon Grotto. She was Mother Advisor of Rainbow. Mrs. McGowan served in the PTA for many years.

Eastern Star and funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday, July 15, at Palmer Funeral
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Home, 314 S. Michigan, Lakeville.

Rev. Greg Crump will officiate.

Entombment will follow in Riverview Cemetery, South Bend.

The family will receive friends from 11 a.m. Tuesday until time of services in the funeral home.

Contributions in memory of Wilma Jean McGowan may be made to American Diabetes Association, 6415 Castleway W. Drive, Suite 114, Indianapolis, IN 46250.

Joyce Robert Schultz  Date of Death 7/11/2008

MISHAWAKA, — Joyce Robert Schultz, 91, residing in Mishawaka, Ind., passed away peacefully at 6:35 p.m. Friday, July 11, 2008 in Southfield Village surrounded by his family.

Surviving are son, Kerry L. Schultz of Mishawaka, and two grandchildren, Victoria Schultz and Jeremy Schultz.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, July 15, at Palmer Funeral Home-River Park, 2528 Mishawaka Ave., South Bend, with Warren Kirkwood, of Albright United Methodist Church officiating.

Burial will follow at St. Joseph Valley Memorial Park, Granger, Ind. The family will receive friends one hour prior to services Tuesday at the funeral home.

Contributions may be offered to Albright United Methodist Church Fire Fund, 504 West Mishawaka Ave., Mishawaka, IN 46545.

Rose Marie Detweiler  Date of Death 7/12/2008

BREMEN — Rose Marie Detweiler, 68, of Bremen, died Saturday, July 12, 2008 at Memorial Hospital South Bend.

Rose Marie is survived by her husband; a daughter, Robin (Scott) Hellman of Bremen; three sons: Joseph W. (Andria) Detweiler, Jamie (Teri) Detweiler and Paul A. Detweiler, all of Bremen; four brothers: John (Marge) Schutz, Lawrence (Jo) Schutz and Francis (Mary) Schutz, all of Bremen, and Bernard Schutz of Lakeville and 10 grandchildren: Jessica Quintanilla, Rebecca Quintanilla, Lance Hellman, Janae Detweiler, Josie Detweiler, Julie Detweiler, Jenny Detweiler, Andrew Detweiler, Alissa Detweiler and Malaki Detweiler.

Visitation will take place at 10 a.m. Tuesday, July 15 at St. Dominic Catholic Church in Bremen.

Funeral services will take place at noon Tuesday at the church and will be officiated by Father Polycarp Fernando.

Burial will follow at Bremen Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to St. Dominic Catholic Church, Bremen.

The Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen is assisting the family with arrangements.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.mishlerfuneralhomes.com.

Alice Myers  Date of Death 7/12/2008

CULVER — Alice Myers, 99, of Culver, passed away at 5:50 a.m. July 12, 2008 at Miller's Merry Manor, Culver.
Alice was born April 25, 1909 in Kewanna, one of eight children born to Daniel and Sarah Jane (Donaldson) Kopp. She attended and graduated from the Kewanna School system. Daniel was the owner of the hardware store in Kewanna.

She is survived by her children: JoAnn (James) Walsh of Culver and Robert (Kathie) Myers of Elkhart; eight grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren and two great-great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert Myers; her parents; sisters: Helena White and Katharine Orr; two other sisters and three brothers.

A mass of Christian burial will be held Tuesday, July 15, at 11 a.m. EDT at St. Mary of the Lake Catholic Church in Culver where friends may share memories with the family one hour before the service at the church.

Father Glenn Kohrman will officiate the service.

Burial will follow in the Kewanna Citizens IOOF Cemetery in Kewanna.

Memorials may be given in Alice's memory to St. Mary of the Lake Catholic Church.

Condolences may be sent to the family via the obituary page of www.bonineodom.com.

Sherman E. Emmons Date of Death 7/14/2008

PLYMOUTH — Sherman E. Emmons, 85, died at 6 p.m. Monday, July 14, 2008, following an extended illness, in the VNA Hospice Center, Valparaiso.

Born March 17, 1923, in LaPaz Junction, Ind., he was the son of Sherman E. and Thela C. Wright Emmons Sr. An area resident most of his life, he graduated from Lakeville High School with the class of 1942.

A veteran of WWII, Sherman had served in the U.S. Army-Air Force. He was a POW in Germany for 15 months.


He had worked at Studebaker in South Bend both prior to and after he was in the service, until they closed in 1963. He then ran a Custom Body Shop in Rochester and later was an appraiser for Franler’s Insurance until his retirement in 1985

A former member of the Plymouth VFW, he also had been a member of the American Legion in Walkerton and LaPaz. He enjoyed hunting and fishing.

Sherman is survived by a daughter, Carol Anne and son-in-law, Dennis Turner of Bedford; two grandsons and two granddaughters. The grandsons are: Kent A. and Jamie Nunemaker of Wanatah, and their children, Rylee, Nicole and Kyle Sherman Nunemaker; Ryan Patrick and Kelly Nunemaker of Valparaiso, and their children Haley Marie and Hunter Michael Nunemaker; the granddaughters: Rachel A. and her husband, Bruce Kenney live in Bozeman, Mont. and Michelle L. Gerstein and her children, Kylie C., Alivia and Natalie, who live in Ames, Iowa.

Also surviving are two brothers: Dennis L. Emmons of Plymouth and Lowell Emmons of LaPaz; and a sister, Wilma Rensforth of Plymouth.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, and two sons: Patrick B. Emmons in 1973 and Martin D. Emmons in 1994 and five brothers: Ernest E., David D., Everett O., Ward L. and Guy K. Emmons and a sister, Joyce Mutz.
Frank H. Schneck  Date of Death 7/14/2008

KOONTZ LAKE — Frank H. Schneck, 76, of Koontz Lake, and Seabrook, Texas, died Monday, July 14, 2008 in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

He is survived by his wife, Joan; children: Deborah Bernay of Seabrook, Texas, Virginia Mack of Sugarland, Texas, Frank Schneck of Corinth, Texas, Monica Bunting of Seabrook, Texas, Robert Schneck of Nassau Bay, Texas and Jeffrey Schneck of Rowlett, Texas; 11 grandchildren, sisters: Mary Lou Stanton of Lemont, Ill. and Julie Weber of Koontz Lake; and brother, John Schneck of Hines, Ill.

A memorial mass will be Friday at 6 p.m. CDT at St. Dominic’s Church of Koontz Lake. Cremation will take place.

Memorial contributions may be given to St. Paul Catholic Church, Capital Campaign Fund, 18223 Point Lookout Drive, Houston, TX 77058.

Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel, is handling the arrangements.

Franklin L. Anglemyer  Date of Death 7/15/2008

WAKARUSA — Franklin L. Anglemyer, 87, of Wakarusa, formerly of Nappanee, died Tuesday, July 15, 2008 at 12:15 a.m. at Miller’s Merry Manor, Wakarusa.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy Anglemyer of Wakarusa; sons: Wayne (Charlene) Anglemyer of Nappanee and Charles (Cindy) Anglemyer of Elkhart; daughters: Evelyn (Carl) Detwiler of Nappanee, Jeanne Anglemyer of Goshen and Doris (John Flamion) Slater of Elkhart; 10 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Thursday, July 17 from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. at Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee, and one hour prior to the service Friday at the church. Funeral services are Friday, July 18 at 10 a.m. at Union Center Church of the Brethren. Burial will be at Union Center Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the church.

Howard Bauman  Date of Death 7/15/2008

PLYMOUTH — Howard Bauman, 86, of Plymouth, died Tuesday, July 15, 2008 at Memorial Hospital, South Bend.

He is survived by sisters: Lois (Art) Morrill of Argos, Doris (Dean) Anders of Niles, Mich., Alice (Amos) Pearson of Plymouth and Joan Faust of Florida; and brothers: Lawrence Bauman of South Bend and Robert Bauman of Argos.

Visitation is Saturday, July 19 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth. A memorial service will be held Saturday, July 19 at 12 p.m. at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the Marshall County Humane Society.
Marjorie I. Leets  Date of Death 7/15/2008

SOUTH BEND — Marjorie I. Leets, 89, of South Bend, formerly of Bourbon and Nappanee, died Tuesday, July 15, 2008, at Fountainview Nursing Home in Mishawaka.

She is survived by a daughter, Sharon Plute of South Bend; son, Richard Norton of Grovertown; brother, Frank Deisch Jr. of South Bend; seven grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Services will be held at noon Friday, July 18 at Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen. Burial will take place at Bremen Cemetery. Visitation is two hours prior to services Friday at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Red Cross.

Phyllis A. Dolph  Date of Death 7/16/2008

PLYMOUTH — Phyllis A. Dolph, 74, died Wednesday, July 16, 2008, at her residence.

She was a lifetime resident of the Plymouth area. Born in St. Joseph County on May 22, 1934, Phyllis was the daughter of Howard D. and Ruth E. Phillips Roush.

She graduated from Tyner High School with the class of 1952.

On Nov. 6, 1955, she and John A. Dolph were married in the Pine Creek Church of North Liberty. John died on June 27, 2000. Phyllis always had a double celebration on Nov. 6, because that was also John’s birthday.

Phyllis and John ran a Dairy Farm for 36 years. She later worked on the assembly line for eight years of the BPC Plant in Plymouth.

She had been a member of the World Wide Church of God in Elkhart.

She loved to read, cook, sew clothing and gardening, both with flowers and vegetables and she took great pride in her “Cow” collection. Her family and her grandchildren were her life. She also enjoyed helping her friends and neighbors.

Phyllis is survived by four daughters and two sons. They are daughters: Jo Ann M. (Alan) Nichols of Wanatah, Thelma M. (Randy) Reed of Bremen, Betty L. (Paul) Thiede of Windfall and Alice L. (Ken) Ballard of Plymouth.

Her sons are: Dennis L. (Nancy) Dolph of Walkerton and Dean A. (Cheri) Dolph of Plymouth.

Three sisters also survive. They are Sallie S. (Richard) Becherl of North Liberty, Barbara J. (Robert) Stopper of Plymouth and Sharon K. (Donald) McKay of Boston, Mass.

Eleven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren survive as well.

Phyllis was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, a daughter, Florence Dolph and a brother, Gene D. Roush.

Private services for the family will be held in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1110 N. Michigan St., Plymouth. Burial will be in Fair Cemetery in North Liberty.

In lieu of flowers, memorials in Phyllis’ name may be made to a charity of the donor’s choice.

Notes of condolence may be sent to the family through the funeral home Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com
Harold I. Hamilton  Date of Death 7/16/2008

BREMEN — Harold I. Hamilton, 85, of Bremen, died Wednesday, July 16, 2008 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, South Bend.

He is survived by sons: Harold G. (Delores) Hamilton of Plymouth and Charles M. Hamilton of Bremen; daughter, Patty (Russ) Maenhout of Bremen; seven grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; one brother; and three sisters.

Visitation is Friday, July 18 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen, and one hour before the service Sunday. Funeral services are Sunday, July 20 at 3 p.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at the Bremen Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Warren Eugene Hahn  Date of Death 7/18/2008

The Villages, Fla.— Warren Eugene Hahn, 84, of 2910 Larranga Dr., The Villages, Fla. 32162, passed on to be with his Lord, July 18, 2008.

He was born in Kosciusko County Aug. 16, 1923, to Arthur and Cora (Lemler) Hahn. He graduated from Bourbon High School in Bourbon in 1941.

Warren was married to Pauline Clark in Plymouth on Aug. 13, 1950. He farmed in the Bourbon area, was employed at Orthopedic Equipment Co., and owned and operated the Bourbon News-Mirror. He started with the J. R. Hahn Co. at Indianapolis in 1963. He was co-owner and president of Hahn Systems, Inc., retiring in 1988.

Warren enjoyed fishing in Canada, playing semi-pro baseball with the Iowa Cubs, bowling and golfing. He was an Honorary Kentucky Colonel.

Warren and his family moved from Bourbon to Indianapolis in 1968. He and his wife spent winters for 15 years in a townhouse at P.G.A. Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., and summers at their home in Carmel, then moved permanently to Harmeswood of Belle Aire in The Villages in 1999. He was a member of Crestview Christian Church in Indianapolis and attended North Lake Presbyterian Church in Lady Lake, Fla.

He is survived by his wife of almost 58 years; son, Doug (Kathy) Hahn of Carmel; daughter, Bev (Bruce) Newkirk of Izmir, Turkey; grandsons: Chris (Amy) Hahn of Gilbert, Ariz., Andy (Sember) Hahn of Indianapolis, and Michael Hahn of Bloomington; two sisters: Marjorie Osborne of Mooresville and Shirley (Roger) Neal of Houston, Texas; brother, George (Cathy) Hahn of Noblesville and The Villages; and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Visitation will be Tuesday, July 29 from 4 to 8 p.m. at Flanner-Buchanan Funeral Center-Carmel at 325 E. Carmel Dr, Carmel.

A celebration of Warren’s life will be held at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, July 30, at Flanner-Buchanan, with a one hour visitation preceding and burial at Oaklawn Memorial Gardens following.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to the charity of your choice.

Online condolences can be made at www.flannerbuchanan.com

Gail Lynn King  Date of Death 7/18/2008
NORTH JUDSON — Gail Lynn King, 61, of North Judson, died Friday, July 18, 2008.

She is survived by her husband, Tom King; four daughters: Jamie Wilson of North Judson, Emily Nowatzke of Chicago, Dawn Pike-Wilson of North Judson and Tanya Rigging of Tenn.; a brother, Ronnie Ebeling and a sister, Janice Ebeling, both of LaPorte.

Services are pending at Braman & Son Memorial Chapel, Knox.

Thomas Henry Clary  Date of Death 7/19/2008

PLYMOUTH — Thomas Henry Clary, 80, formerly of North Judson, died July 19, 2008 at Miller's Merry Manor, Plymouth.

Clary is survived by his wife, Ethel Clary; a daughter, Vicky (Doug) Thomas of North Judson; two sons: Robert (Danna) Clary of Knox and David (Dawn) Clary of North Judson; 10 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren and a brother, James Clary of Londonderry, Ohio.

Visitation will take place Tuesday, July 22 at 10 a.m. at O'Donnell Funeral Home Inc. North Judson.

Funeral services will take place Tuesday at 1 p.m. at the funeral home with burial to follow at Round Lake Cemetery, Knox.

James Tilden Maze  Date of Death 7/19/2008

RIVERSIDE, Calif. — James Tilden Maze, 71, of Riverside, Calif., died July 19, 2008 in Riverside.

He is survived by his wife, Joyce Maze; daughter, Tamara (Robert) Willis of Utah; son, James A. (Diana) Maze of Riverside, Calif.; sisters: Patricia Sisk and Bonita Dickson, both of Indiana; and six grandchildren.

A memorial service was held July 24 at 4 p.m. at Acheson & Graham Mortuary, Riverside, Calif.

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

Richard “Paul”, Ph.D. Murrmann  Date of Death 7/19/2008

Richard “Paul” Murrmann, Ph.D was born in South Bend Aug. 3, 1940. He passed away at the UVA Medical Center, Charlottesville, Va. Saturday, July 19, 2008, following a long illness.

Murrmann graduated from LaPaz High School in LaPaz in 1958. He went on to Purdue University to receive a B.S. in Agriculture. He was also commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant in the U.S. Army though the Purdue ROTC program. Next he attended Cornell University where he earned the M.S. and Ph.D Degrees in Agricultural Chemistry. He subsequently served in the Army and was honorably discharged as a Captain in 1968. Murrmann was then employed as a research chemist by the Army Corps of Engineers Research Laboratory in Hanover, N.H. He and the research team he lead investigated numerous problems related to environmental issues and topics of military interest. In 1974, he was employed as a research manager by the USDA’s Agricultural Research Service (ARS) where he spent the remainder of his career. He had several assignments in offices located in MS, CA, TX, and in Beckley, W. Va., where he retired in 1995 as Director of the USDA Appalachian Soil and Water Conservation Research Laboratory.

During his career he was a member of the American Society of Agronomy, the Soil Science Society of America, and Sigma Xi. He was a member of the Beckley Rotary Club until after his retirement. He was a Member of Post 32 of the American League. He remained an active member of NARFE, the National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association.
Murrmann was preceded by his step-father, Burnas "B.B." Murrmann, his maternal grandparents, Vernon and Edith Bachtel, his father, Richard Kuehn and his paternal grandmother, Maude Kuehn, all of South Bend. Paul lost his son, Robert E. Murrmann of Walnut Creek, Calif., to cancer in 1997.

Murrmann is survived by his best friend and wife, Judy Elkins Murrmann, of Beckley, WV; his mother, Virginia Miller of Mesa, Ariz.; his daughter Nancy Heller and husband Leonard, and Paul's two grandchildren, Joe and Katie of Danville, Calif. His very special step-daughter, Wendy Kaczenski and husband Michael and Paul's two grandsons, Shawn and Seth of Bristol, Conn. He is also survived by one stepson, Bernie Wheeler of Virginia Beach, Va. and another step daughter, Shawn Wheeler of Vero Beach, Fla. His brothers and sisters are Kent Murrmann and wife Sue of Blacksburg, Va., George Murrmann and wife Margaret in Indianapolis, Don Murrmann and wife Marilyn of Kerrville, Texas, Kathy Swanson and husband Bob of Mesa, Ariz. and JoEllen DePaepe and husband Bob of South Bend. He is also survived by his favorite sister-in-law, Connie Baisden of Neibert, W. Va.

Family and friends are invited to pay their respects at Blue Ridge Funeral Home Tuesday, July 22 in Beckley, W. Va. from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday, July 23 with Pastor Donnie Wells officiating. A military interment at Sunset Memorial Park will be held immediately following the funeral.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to the National Cancer Society in the name of Paul’s son Robert Edward Murrmann.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.blueridgefuneralhome.com

Arrangements by Blue Ridge Funeral Home, 5251 Robert C. Byrd Dr., Beckley, WV.

**Louis R. Heyde  Date of Death 7/20/2008**


Louis was born on Nov. 9, 1929, the son of George Ray and Mildred A. Martin Heyde.

He graduated from LaPaz High School with the class of 1947. As a yeoman seaman, he served in the United States Navy during the Korean War.

In August of 1968, in Plymouth, Louis and JoAnne Mitchell were married. Joanne died in 1975.

Louis worked as a machinist for the Bendix Corp. in South Bend for 35 years, retiring in 1982. He moved to Hacienda Hts., Calif., returning to Plymouth in 2003.

He was a member of the Hope Chapel, South Bend, and attended services at the North Salem Church of God in Plymouth.

Louis is survived by a daughter, Sharon L. Brady of Salisbury, Md., and by two sisters: Marjorie A. DeMien and Mary Lou (Walter) DeMien, both of Plymouth.

Two grandsons, Chris and Bradley Brady of Salisbury, Md., also survive together with two great-granddaughters of Salisbury: Morgan and Natalie Brady.

Seven nephews and three nieces survive as well. They are Eugene (Penny) DeMien, Jim (Virginia) DeMien, Glen (Linda) DeMien, all of Plymouth, Chris DeMien of Nappanee, Stephen (Anna) DeMien of Texas, Jimmy (Theresa) DeMien of Monticello, Derrick Heyde of Mentone, Lori and Tom Laughtner of Massachusetts, Heidi and Eric Kolberg of Mentone and Shirley (Tim) Pearson.
Louis was preceded in death by his parents, his wife and his son, Michael R. DeMien.

Friends will be welcomed to share memories of Louis by his family from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m on Thursday, July 24, 2008, at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Louis will follow visitation at 2 p.m. The Rev. Darrell Cardwell, pastor of the North Salem Church of God, Plymouth, will officiate.

Burial will be in the New Oakhill Cemetery.

Memorials in Louis’ memory may be made to the North Salem Church of God.

Notes of condolence may be sent to the family through the funeral home’s Web site: www.johnsondanielson.com .

Loretta Ludvigson  Date of Death 7/20/2008

KNOX — Loretta Ludvigson, 71, of Knox, died Sunday, July 20, 2008 at LaPorte Hospital.

She is survived by sons: Jeff (Joan) Ludvigson of Knox and Bob (Mary) Ludvigson of LaPorte; a daughter, Gloria (Steve) Hale of West Harrison, Ind.; brothers: Frankie Delli of Nickolas, Ky. and Harold Beasley of Phoenix, Ariz. and a sister, Deborah Schrader of Athens, Ala.

Visitation will take place Thursday, July 24 from 12 to 2 p.m. at Braman & Son Memorial Chapel, Knox.

Funeral services, led by Ed Hasnerl, will take place at 2 p.m. Thursday at the funeral chapel with burial to follow at Round Lake Cemetery.

Betty Godfrey  Date of Death 7/21/2008

WALKERTON — Betty Godfrey, 80, died Monday, July 21, 2008 in LaPorte Hospital.

She is survived by many friends.

Funeral services will be Saturday, July 26 at 11 a.m. CDT at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel. Burial will be in the Woodlawn Cemetery, Walkerton. Visitation is Friday, July 25 from 5 to 7 p.m. CDT and Saturday after 10 a.m. at the funeral home.

John Richard “Dick” Klapp  Date of Death 7/21/2008

WARSAW — John Richard “Dick” Klapp, 81, of Warsaw, died Monday, July 21, 2008 at 12:45 p.m. at Warsaw Meadows Care Center.

He is survived by a daughter, Janice (Rich) Helmuth of St. Petersburg, Fla.; son, John Klapp Jr. of St. Petersburg, Fla.; stepdaughters: Judy (Harold) Farver of Plymouth and Tina (Steve) Phipps of Warsaw; stepson, Rex (Linda) McCraner of Kendallville; brother, Bob Klapp of Mobile, Ala.; and brother-in-law, Rev. Paul Cecrele of Rochester.

Burial will be at a later date.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.
Andy R. Louk  Date of Death 7/22/2008

CULVER — Andy R. Louk, 43, of Culver, passed away unexpectedly Tuesday evening July 22, 2008.

Andy was born Dec. 28, 1964 in South Bend to Helen (Coldwater) and Russell J. Louk. The family relocated to Culver in 1972. He was a graduate of Culver Community Jr/Sr High School in 1983. Later he received his Accounting Degree from Ivy Tech in South Bend. He was married to Donna Lee Smith on Oct. 8, 1988. They later divorced.

He was a member of Santa Anna United Methodist Church, Argos, where he served as Superintendent.

Andy was preceded in death by his father, Russell H. Louk in Dec 2000. He is survived by his mother, two brothers: Robert Louk of Ober and Scott Louk of Rochester; and his fiancé Julie Spano.

Andy was an avid Pittsburg Steelers fan. He loved to drive and show off his 1979 Chrysler Cordoba which he had restored. He enjoyed fishing, playing euchre and cribbage with his family and friends, and loved his "kitty bear." Even in death Andy gave to others by being an organ donor, helping 75 other people.

A time of sharing memories with the family will be held on Saturday, July 26, 2008 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. EDT at the Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver. Rev. Henry Sprunger will officiate services at 1 p.m. Interment will follow at the Culver Masonic Cemetery.

Memorial contributions in memory of Andy R. Louk may be made to the Santa Anna United Methodist Church, Argos.

Condolences may be sent to the family via the obituary page at www.boineodom.com

Marvis Ann Morgan  Date of Death 7/22/2008

ARGOS — Marvis Ann Morgan, 63, of 18470 Maple Rd., Argos, died Tuesday, July 22, 2008 at 2:40 a.m. at her daughter’s residence in LaGrange following a two-year illness. She was born March 11, 1945 in Rochester to Berne O. and Mildred A. (Mathias) Jones. On Sept. 19, 1987 in Argos, she married James “Jim” Richard Morgan at the Jordan Baptist Church.

She lived in the Argos community for 40 years. She was a seamstress at Hart, Schaffner & Marx in Rochester for more than 22 years and Braun Seating in Leiters Ford. She was a graduate of North Miami High School with the Class of 1963 and graduated in 2003 from Ivy Tech with honors. She was a member of the Jordan Baptist Church in Argos and the Swinging Dudes Square Dance Club in Rochester. She also belonged to the Order of the Eastern Star Lodge #124 Rochester. She was a Master Gardener, loved her family, knitting, cross stitching, crocheting and camping.

She is survived by her husband, Jim Morgan of Argos; daughter, Dawn (Dan) Byler of LaGrange; sons: Dave (Julie) Crum of Plymouth and Duane (Laura) Crum of Holmdel, N.J.; stepdaughters: Hope (Virgil) Herring of Grovertown, Kelly (Paul) Antoine of Bryan, Ohio, Gretchen (John) Worley of LaPorte, and Bridgett Koz of Argos; stepson, Mark Morgan of Plymouth; 28 grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; mother, Mildred Jones of Plymouth; and brothers: Berne (Holly) Jones of Kooskia, Idaho, Glen (Chris) Jones of Rochester, Dale (Sherry) Jones of Oxford, and Carl “Pete” (Ladeana) Jones of Peru.
She was preceded in death by her father, Berne Jones and an infant daughter, Deanna Sue Crum.

Friends may visit with the family Thursday, July 24, 2008 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, July 25, 2008 at the Jordan Baptist Church 11447 19th Rd., Argos, with Rev. Thomas Tupps officiating.

Burial will be at the Jordan Baptist Cemetery, Argos.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society; 601 W. Edison, Mishawaka, IN 46545 or Jordan Baptist Church, 11447 19th Rd., Argos, IN 46501.

Electronic condolences my be sent to the family at: memorials@earl-grossmanfuneral.com

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

**Georgene Wisler  Date of Death 7/22/2008**

WAKARUSA — Georgene Wisler, 65, of Wakarusa, died Tuesday, July 22, 2008, at her home.

She is survived by her husband, Leroy Wisler of Wakarusa; sons: Daryl Wisler of Joliet, Ill., Glen (Kelly) Wisler of Wyatt, and Randy (Brittany) Wisler of Mishawaka; daughters: Gina (Mark Schultz) Gaines of Plymouth and Deanna (Bryan) Forbes of Bremen; brother, Jim (Jo) Cortier of Florida; sisters: Bev (Bruce) McMillen of South Bend and Jan (Dave) Akin of South Bend; and 12 grandchildren.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, July 26 at St. Dominic Catholic Church in Bremen. Burial will take place at the Bremen Cemetery. Visitation is from 2 to 8 p.m. Friday, July 25 at the Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen. A Rosary Service will begin at 7:30 p.m. Friday.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

**Wayne M. Frushour  Date of Death 7/23/2008**

PLYMOUTH – Wayne M. Frushour, 77, a Pretty Lake resident for 31 years, died of complications from an illness in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth, Wednesday, July 23, 2008.

A lifetime Plymouth resident, spending winters at Avon Park in Sebring, Fla. for the past 25 years, Wayne was born in Plymouth, on Sept. 9, 1930. He was the youngest of four children of Stuart E. and Virginia Thompson Frushour.

Always a hard worker, as a kid he worked at Harry Bechaka’s Candy Kitchen and then as a soda jerk in Ed Orahood’s People’s Drug Store.

Besides delivering the local newspaper for six years, he clerked and shined shoes in Don’s (Sporting Goods) Parlor throughout high school and college.

Wayne was the football, basketball and track manager for all four years at Lincoln High School. He graduated with the class of 1949.

It was in high school that Wayne became enamored with antique cars. His first automobile was a 1923 Model T. Always the astute businessman, he painted commercial signs –Merriman’s Grocery, Don’s Parlor, and George Davis’ Brake Service— on the sides, for a price. He also operated Fresh “R’s” Auto Ads.
In an election year, Wayne was better than any bumper sticker with the Democrat candidates names on his car. He stayed loyal to the party and was the Marshall County Democratic chairman for eight years in the 1980s.

The first thing he did when he got home from Florida was to visit the eight warehouses where his "babies" were stored. Most of his vintage cars will be on display this year at the Blueberry Festival with many in the parade.

He always said that they were ‘road cars,’ not just for show. He rotated parking them, one at a time, in his driveway, so that “folks would get a chance to enjoy the vehicles of the past.”

Wayne went to Ball State University for a year before enlisting in the United States Air Force. As an Airman 1st class, he served in Japan from 1951 to 1953.

Returning to BSU, he was the manager of the football team for two years, graduating in 1956, with a degree in business.

He was first married to P. Diane Erwin. Together they had three sons: Greg, Mark and Matt.

On March 15, 1973 Wayne and Bonnie J. Hartman were married in Plymouth. They lived on two golf courses in Indiana and Florida, but Wayne wasn’t a player: Bonnie was. The couple were antique dealers for many years, owning BJ’s Antique Store on Lincolnway East. He became a connoisseur of glass and Oriental artifacts. He was also a stamp and coin collector. Bonnie died in April of 2005.

A lifetime member of the V.F.W., and the American Legion/Forty & Eight group, Wayne was a past commander and finance officer of the Legion Post 27. He served as past president of the Plymouth Rotary and the Plymouth Country Club. He was a member of the Chamber of Commerce and PIDCO. He had been president of the Plymouth Country subdivision and was a member of the Elks, the Eagles and Moose Lodge.

In Avon Park, Wayne stayed active with the Avon Park American Legion and VFW. He was president of Marshall County Days, traditionally held the third week of February, where about 200 present and former residents of the County got together to party.

Back home in the summer, he made frequent trips to Michigan to buy bushels of fresh fruit and vegetables for his neighbors.

Wayne was employed with the Gibson Insurance Agency for almost 40 years.

He is survived by his three sons and six grandchildren and two step-daughters. They are: Gregory A. (Mary) Frushour and their children, Jennifer and Gregory II of Grand Rapids, Mich.; Mark E. (Donna) Frushour, and their children, Anthony, Trevor and Thomas of Granite City, N.C.; Matthew S. (Lisa) Frushour and daughter Rachael of Owensboro, Ky. and a step-daughter, Cindi.

A sister, Dolphe Bublitz, Hobart, Ind., and an aunt, Mildred Thompson, also survive Wayne’s death.

He was preceded in death by his spouses, a sister, Betty McQuire, a brother; Stuart Frushour and a step-daughter Vickey.

The family will welcome Wayne’s friends on Saturday, July 26, 2008, from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Memorial services for Wayne will follow visitation in the funeral home at 11 a.m. with a presentation by the Forty & Eight members and the Rev. Dr. Ronald Liechty.
Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Preferred memorials in Wayne’s name may be made to the Plymouth Chapter of the American Red Cross.

Sharing memories and notes of condolence may be sent to the family via the funeral home’s Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com

**Christine R. “Chris” Gould  Date of Death 7/23/2008**


Survivors include a granddaughter, Heather Hegna of Andover, Minn., three nieces: Marianne Eaton of Knox, Dorothy (Boyd) Sellers of Palm Springs, Calif. and Nancy Howard of Frankfort, and a nephew; John (Arlene) Howard Jr. of Rensselaer. Several great-nieces and nephews also survive.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, July 29 in the Lindenwood Cemetery Chapel located at 2324 W. Main Street, Ft. Wayne.

Memorial gifts may be made to the Angola Humane Society, 1700N 200W, Angola, IN 46703.

Notes of condolence may be shared with the family via the Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com.

**Douglas Lynn Bailey  Date of Death 7/24/2008**

OSCEOLA — Douglas Lynn Bailey, 61, of 10273 Ashwood Forrest Dr., Osceola, died at 5:45 p.m. Thursday, July 24, 2008 at his residence following a two-month illness. He was born April 19, 1947 in Rochester to Cliff and Ruth (Swihart) Bailey.

He grew up in Tippecanoe and had lived in St. Joseph County the past 25 years. Most recently, he lived in Osceola for the last two years.

He worked as a heavy equipment operator. He was a graduate of Triton High School class of 1965. He served his county in the United States Army from 1965 to 1967, serving most of his duty in Germany. He was a member of the American Legion Post #424 of Bourbon, Broederenkring Flemish Organization of Mishawaka and International Union of Operating Engineers Local #150, which he belonged to for 40 years.

He is survived by one brother, Fred (Kathryn) Bailey of San Clemente, Calif.; one niece, Angela McCombs of Greeneville, Tenn.; and one nephew, Alan Dean of Plymouth.

He was preceded in death by his parents and sister, Julia Dean in 1996.

Visitation was Monday, July 28, 2008 from 4 to 8 pm at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday, July 29, 2008 at the funeral home with Rev. James Hannah officiating.

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

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society; 601 W. Edison, Mishawaka, IN 46545 or the Marshall County Humane Society; 11165 13th Rd., PO Box 22, Plymouth, IN 46563
Mary A. Bolinger  Date of Death 7/24/2008

PLYMOUTH — Mary A. Bolinger, 78, of 709 W. Garro St., Plymouth, passed away at 5:40 p.m., Thursday, July 24, 2008, at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center in South Bend.

Mary was born June 25, 1930, in Plymouth, to John and Cecilia (Sester) Bolinger and was a lifetime member of Saint Michael Catholic Church, Plymouth.

She is survived by her brother, Joseph Bolinger of Grand Rapids, Mich.; her sister-in-law, Mary Bolinger of Michigan City; her nieces and nephews: Katie Bolinger of Hoffman Estates, Ill., Grace (Craig) Burrows of Rockford, Mich., Janet Ortegon of Sheboygan, Wis., John (Hiroe) Bolinger of Glen Ellyn, Ill., and Christine (Lee) Harshbarger of Evansville. Mary was preceded in death by her parents and by her brother, John Bolinger Jr.


Family and friends are invited to share in a time of visiting Sunday, July 27, 2008, from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth. Rosary will be prayed together at 6 p.m. Sunday, at the funeral home.

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

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

Jacob Chupp  Date of Death 7/24/2008

NAPPANEE — Jacob Chupp, 82, of Nappanee, died at 11:27 a.m. Thursday, July 24, 2008 at Elkhart General Hospital.

He is survived by his wife, Esther Chupp; sons: Howard (Nora) Chupp of Nappanee, Wayne (Melissa) Chupp of Nappanee, Glen (Wanita) Chupp of Goshen, Floyd (Lori) Chupp of Nappanee, Loren (Karen) Chupp of Nappanee and Carl (Lily) Chupp of Nappanee; daughters: Emma Burkholder of Salem, Linda (Floyd E.) Yoder of Bonduel, Wis., Loretta (Howard) Miller of Nappanee, Rosemary (Martin) Yoder of Nappanee and Ruth Chupp of Nappanee; 51 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; brothers: John Chupp of Goshen and Levi (Mary) Chupp of Etna Green; sisters: Anna (Elmer) Byler of Nappanee, Verna (Gideon) Bontrager of Goshen, Elizabeth (Ralph) Miller of Goshen and Barbara (Ray) Burkholder of Nappanee; and half sister-in-law, Ella Chupp of Middlebury.

Visitation is after 2 p.m. Friday and all day Saturday at the family residence, 70940 Ash Rd., Nappanee. Funeral services are Sunday, July 27 at 9:30 a.m. at the Howard Miller residence, 30695 CR 150.

Burial will be at Burkholder Cemetery.

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

Esther S. Blondell  Date of Death 7/26/2008
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SOUTH BEND – Esther S. Blondell, 96, a very loving and caring mom, grandma, great-grandma, aunt and a friend to many, passed away at 11:44pm Saturday, July 26, 2008 in Memorial Hospital in South Bend.

Esther was born Nov. 18, 1911 in Chicago, Ill. to the late Swan E. and Edith S. (Peterson) Chell.

As the former Esther S. Chell, she married Leroy Blondell on September 24, 1938 at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church in South Bend. Roy preceded her in death on April 17, 1966. She was also preceded in death by her son, James “Jim” L. Blondell in October, 1997; brother, Elmer E. Chell in October, 1991; and sister, Elvera Cyr in July 1996.

Survivors include her son and daughter-in-law, Robert “Bob” and Carol Blondell of South Bend; and her daughter and son-in-law, Barbara and Robert “Bob” DeJarnatt of Plymouth.

Other survivors include five grandchildren, Rodney (Dania) DeJarnatt of Lakeville, Lori (Jim) McClellan of Plymouth, Jason (Kathryn) DeJarnatt of Plymouth, Brian (Christie) Blondell of Osecola, and Angie (Morgan) Wenzel of Oak Creek, Wis.; 11 great-grandchildren: Robbie, Sean and Sommer McClellan, Tristen, Breanna, and Mason DeJarnatt, Mackenzie and Alex DeJarnatt, and Alexis, Bryce and Brenden Blondell. Mom also is survived by her very special nieces and nephew: Marlene Davidson, Judi Luke, Phyllis Thompson, Gloria (Russ) Buyse, David (Evie) Chell, Cathy (Mike) Keen, and Holly (Bob) Kelsey; and numerous great-nieces and nephews.

Esther was confirmed, married and a lifetime member of Gloria Dei Lutheran Church and the previous John Erickson Lodge in Mishawaka. She had worked at Bendix, Oliver Hotel, Gladieux Foods and a caretaker to many. Her favorite was being a caretaker to the many wonderful people she helped. She enjoyed her grandchildren and great-grandchildren and loved sending all types of greeting cards to all members of the church. She loved watching sports on TV, especially Notre Dame Football and the Cubs, reading, going out to eat, visiting and just being a friend to everyone.

The family would like to thank the many kind and compassionate nurses and doctors at Memorial Hospital especially the nurses on 11 South and Intensive Care, her many friends at Fairington Apartments and to Pastor Zell of Gloria Dei for his numerous visits and prayers.

Visitation will be from 2 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, July 30, 2008 in ST. JOSEPH FUNERAL HOME, 1827 E. Ireland Rd., South Bend. A funeral service will be held at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, July 31, 2008 in Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 225 E. Haney Ave., South Bend, with Rev. Jeff Zell officiating and visitation one hour prior to the service in the Church. Burial will follow in Southlawn Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Esther’s name to Gloria Dei Lutheran Church or the American Cancer Society.

For those who are unable to attend the Funeral Service, condolences for the family may be made at www.sjfh.net .

Russel L. Scott  Date of Death 7/26/2008

BOURBON — Russell L. Scott, 84, of 1206 N. Main St. in Bourbon peacefully entered into rest, Saturday, July 26 at 1:35 p.m. in Bremen Health Care Center of Bremen.

He was born the son of John Erwin Scott and Minnie Mae Elkins Scott on Aug. 23, 1923 at Bourbon. He was a retired carpenter and loved working with his hands. He was also a member of the Bourbon First United Methodist Church and was a graduate of Bourbon High School class of 1942. Russell was a veteran of the United States Army, 11th Air Borne serving during World War II and a member of the Bourbon American Legion Post #424.
Russell was joined in marriage to Phyllis Anglin on Feb. 24, 1946, they shared more than 62 years together, she survives along with his two daughters: P.J. (Steve) Watkins of Bourbon and Jolene (Ross) Swinehart of Goshen. He was further blessed five grandchildren: Mathew Scott and wife Stephanie Schoenherr, Todd Jason Schoenherr, Joshua Jonnard and wife Megan Schoenherr, Suzanne Stevette and husband Chad Baugh and Grant Watkins; and six great-grandchildren. Russell also has two sisters: Vada (Lawrence) Owens of Akron; and a brother, Wade (Mary Lou) Scott of Albuquerque, N.M.

He was preceded in death by two sisters and seven brothers.

A funeral service to celebrate Russell’s life will be Wednesday, July 30 at 2 p.m. in the Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home with Pastor Robert Raschka officiating.

The family will receive friends from 10 a.m. until the time of services in the funeral home on Wednesday.

Burial will follow in the Pleasant Hill Cemetery at Bourbon, with graveside military services by the Bourbon American Legion.

The family requests any memorial contributions be made to: Bourbon First United Methodist Church Helping Hands Pantry or an organization of your choice in his memory.

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

Howard, DVM Liebengood  Date of Death 7/27/2008


Dr. Liebengood grew up in Kentland and graduated from high school there in 1933. He played football during his freshman year at Indiana University where he completed some pre-veterinary requirements and then transferred to Kansas State University in 1935. He earned his Doctor of Veterinary Medicine in May 1939 from Kansas State University. He was co-founder and charter member of the Michiana Veterinary Association. From 1945-1965 he operated a livestock auction facility and veterinary clinic in Plymouth. Moving to Silver Lake in 1967, he operated a practice limited to preparing and certifying cattle for interstate and international shipment. Dr. Liebengood established a memorial fund at Kansas State University to help veterinary students, and has also established memorial funds with the Community Foundation of Wabash County which awards annually, several scholarships to Warsaw Community High School seniors.

He is survived by his wife Helen; daughter-in-law, Deanna Liebengood, Vienna, Va.; three grandchildren: Howard Liebengood, John (London) Liebengood and Anne (Adam) Liebengood-Winters, all of Vienna, Va.; one stepson, Robert W. (Gail) Glaze, Morgantown; and a stepdaughter, Mrs. Robert (Tommye) Beavers, Muncie; two step grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and four step great-grandchildren also survive.

He was preceded in death by a son, Howard Liebengood who died Jan. 13, 2005; one brother; and one sister.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, Aug. 2 at 2 p.m. at DeLaughter-McKee Mortuary, North Manchester. Pastor J.P. Freeman will officiate. Friends and family may call one hour prior to services.

Memorials may be made to Kosciusko County Home Healthcare & Hospice, PO Box 1196, Warsaw, IN 46581.
Richard S. Young  Date of Death 7/27/2008

VALPARAISO — Richard S. Young, 61, of Valparaiso, formerly of Plymouth, died July 27, 2008.

He was born Jan. 7, 1947 in Santa Fe, N.M.. He graduated with honors from Plymouth High School in 1965 and attended Wabash College. Richard served in the United States Army during the Vietnam conflict from 1968-1970 where he received an Army Commendation Medal for meritorious service. Richard was a kind and gentle man who had a great appreciation for the arts.

Richard is survived by his mother, Mary A. Young of Valparaiso; two sisters: Barbara A. Young of Valparaiso and Kathy J. (Jim) Harvuot of Warsaw; and a niece, Ann Michelle Harvuot of Warsaw. He was preceded in death by his father, William S. Young.

There will be a memorial service Friday, Aug. 1, 2008 at 3:30 p.m. Central Daylight Savings Time (4:30 p.m. Eastern Daylight Savings Time – Plymouth time) at Moeller Funeral Home, 104 Roosevelt Rd., Valparaiso. Visitation will be Friday, Aug. 1, 2008 from 1 p.m. (2 p.m. Plymouth time) until the time of the service.

In lieu of flowers, memorials gifts may be made to the Porter County Community Foundation for the benefit of the American Red Cross Endowment Fund. During his life, Richard was grateful to the American Red Cross for the assistance they provided to servicemen overseas.

www.Moellerfuneralhome.com

Charles Wayne Bates  Date of Death 7/28/2008


He was born Feb. 8, 1957 in Plymouth, the son of Wayne Devere & Jessie (Woods) Bates, and has lived in this area all of his life. He was a 1975 graduate of John Glenn High School.

On Nov. 12, 1982 in St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Walkerton, he was united in marriage to Diane R. Stachowski, who survives. Also surviving are his two daughters: Heather Bates of Walkerton, and Stacey (Heath) Burgess of Lafayette; five sisters: Darcia (David) Sherwood of Walkerton, Sandra (Harold) Hindeman of Muncie, Helen (Ken) Kelly of Mountain Ranch, Calif., Judy (Ron) Ellison of Knox, and June (Don) Warren of Plymouth, survive him as well. He is also survived by his father-in-law and mother-in-law, Joseph and Thelma Stachowski of North Liberty.

Charles was employed with Precision Wall as a glazer. He was a wonderful husband, dad, and brother, always caring for his family. He enjoyed fishing, and loved the Chicago Cubs.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Thursday, July 31, at Palmer Funeral Home-Lakeville, 314 S. Michigan St., Lakeville. Rev. Rob Keck will officiate. Graveside services and burial will follow at Morris Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 4 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

Contributions may be made to an education fund for Heather Bates at any 1st Source Banking Center.

Audrey Lucille Solmos  Date of Death 7/28/2008

WALKERTON — Audrey Lucille Solmos, 91, of Walkerton, died Monday, July 28 at her son's home.

She is survived by sons: Larry (Shirley) McDaniel of Lincoln, Neb., David (Dorothy) Solmos of
Indianapolis and Patrick (Sharon) Solmos of South Bend; sister, Pauline (“B.”) Carnes of Rockingham, N.C.; five grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Thursday, July 31 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. EST at the Nusbaum-Elkin Funeral Home, Walkerton. A rosary service will take place at the funeral home at 7:30 p.m. A funeral mass is Friday, Aug. 1 at 11:30 a.m. EST at St. Patrick’s Church in Walkerton. Burial will follow at Eastlawn Cemetery in North Liberty.

John Norman Zechiel  Date of Death 7/30/2008

FAIRFAX, Va. — John Norman Zechiel, 81, of Fairfax, Va., passed away July 30, 2008 in Virginia. John was the son of Allen Norris and Marietta (Clearwater) Zechiel and the grandson of Anna Lenore Norris Zechiel Larkin of Culver.

John is survived by his loving family including his wife, Gina Zechiel; sons: John, Howard and Andrew Zechiel; four grandchildren; and his brother, Leon Zechiel of Mauldin, S.C.

Graveside services will be held Saturday, Sept. 20 at 10 a.m. at the Culver Masonic Cemetery.

Condolences may be sent to the family via the obituary page at www.bonineodom.com .

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

Donald L. Carter  Date of Death 7/31/2008

CULVER — Donald L. Carter, 78, formerly of Culver, passed away at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, July 31, at his home in Fairhope, Ala.

He was a retired draftsman for Monsant Fibers, Pensacola, Fla. He was a Veteran of the United States Air Force.

He was born Feb. 9, 1030 in Hammond to Ernest and Goldie (Good) Carter and was married Dec. 5, 1952 in Pensacola to Agnes Nolen. She survives.


One brother preceded him in death.

He was a member of the Scenic Heights Baptist Church.

Graveside services will be held at noon on Wednesday, Aug. 6 at the Culver Masonic Cemetery. Rev. Karry Saunders will officiate.

Friends may call at the Bonine-Odom Funeral Home from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Wednesday.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Leukemia Society of Covenant Hospice in Daphne, Ala.

Letters of condolence may be sent via the funeral home’s Web site at www.bonine-odom.com .

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

Leonard Lee Fish  Date of Death 7/31/2008
PLYMOUTH — Leonard Lee Fish, 67, of 15991 6th Road, Plymouth, passed away Thursday, July 31, 2008, at 2 a.m., at Northwestern Memorial Hospital, in Chicago.

Leonard was born March 31, 1941, in Argos, to Lloyd and Florence (Vance) Fish. On Jan. 20, 1962, Leonard Fish and Judy Reese were married.

He served his country in the Army National Guard, in Indiana. He enjoyed woodworking, fishing, hunting, and working in his garden. He loved to be with his family and loved his grandchildren.

Leonard retired in 2003 from Bomarko, in Plymouth, where he was a pressman.

He is survived by his wife, Judy Fish; their children, Melody (Orville) Pitts of Plymouth, Dorraine (Dale) Freck, Sr., of Plymouth, Lisa (Keenan) Burch of LaPaz, Leonard (Stephanie) Fish of Bremen, and Kevin (Rachel) Fish of Crosby, Minn.; 16 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; his sister, Mary Sobierski of Glendale, Ariz.; his brothers, Donald Fish of Plymouth and Donald Pearish of Bremen. He was preceded in death by his sister, Phyllis Fear.

Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, Aug. 5, 2008, at 10:30 a.m., at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, in Plymouth, with the Rev. Norman Reimer officiating.

Burial will be in Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos.

A time of visiting with the family will be on Monday, August 4, 2008, from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

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

THOMAS E. KLINE Date of Death 7/31/2008

CULVER — Thomas E. Kline, 58, of Culver, died Thursday, July 31, 2008 at Starke Memorial Hospital.

He is survived by his wife, Elisabeth Kline of Culver; daughters: Diane (Kevin) Longacre of Elkhart and Susanna (Randy) Smith of South Bend; sons: Thomas (Tausha) Kline Jr. of Argos and Roy M. Kline of Wyoming; sister, Peggy Kline of Plymouth; and brother, James Kline of South Bend.

Arrangements are pending with the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth.

GERALDINE J. FERNALD Date of Death 8/2/2008

SOUTH BEND — Geraldine J. Fernald, 84, passed away Aug. 2, 2008 at her home.

She was born Dec. 18, 1923 in St. Paul, Minn.

She lived in Plymouth from 1966 until 2000 when she moved to South Bend.

Mrs. Fernald is survived by her daughter, Judy Lamon of South Bend; one son, Richard (Jacquelyn) Fernald of Roanoke, VA; two grandchildren, Jon (Teresa) Lamon and Julie Howe; and five great grandchildren, Joshua, Bradley, Devin, Briana, and Dayton.

Private graveside services will be held on Monday, Aug. 4, 2008 at Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

There will be no visitation.

Palmer Funeral Home-Guisinger Chapel, South Bend is assisting with funeral arrangements.
Contributions in Geraldine’s memory may be made to the Humane Society of Marshall County, P.O. Box 22, Plymouth, IN 46563.

Online condolences may be offered to the family at www.palmerfuneralhomes.com.

**Edward Ray Mast  Date of Death 8/2/2008**


Born in Goshen on March 31, 1937, Ed was the son of Ora and Edna Slabaugh Mast.

He received an Amish education until the 10th grade.

A truck driver, he worked for Banks Lumber for 20 years and for Hehr International for 23 years. He retired in 2004.

Edward is survived by Donna Howell, his very special lady friend, Plymouth, and by a daughter, Carmen Guericke of Milford and a son, Brent (Becky) Mast of Plymouth.

Six grandchildren also survive: Amanda Guericke, Diana, Harlie and Laci Mast and Kayla and Jeff Howell.

Edward was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Robert Mast.

Friends are invited to visit with Edward’s family from 4 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 5, 2008, at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Family services for Edward will be held.

Burial will be in Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial contributions in Edward’s memory may be made to the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care.

Sharing memories and notes of condolence may be sent to the funeral home’s Website: www.johnson-danielson.com

**Dale P. Wood  Date of Death 8/2/2008**

TIPPECANOE — Dale P. Wood, 67 of 2606 20th Road of rural Tippecanoe, peacefully entered into rest, Saturday, Aug. 2 at 7:30 a.m. in Goshen General Hospital. He had been in failing health.

He was born the son of Ernest Wood and Myrtle Proudy Wood on Dec. 29, 1940 at Mishawaka. He and his wife were owners of Suspension Spring Specialist of Bremen since 1986. He was an avid fan of automobile racing. He had been a resident of Tippecanoe since 1963.

Dale was joined in marriage to Jewel Whetstone on Feb. 17, 1963, she survives along with his two daughters and a son: Christine Hanson of Bourbon, Mardel and husband Brandon Taylor of Tippecanoe and Larry and wife Jeanette Wood of Warsaw. He was further blessed 10 grandchildren; Montana, Megan and Dale Wood, Amberly, Courtney, Brandi and Joshua Taylor, Dakota and Victoria Grubbs and Bryant Hanson. Dale also has a sister, Luretta Jamesen and a brother, Ernest and Sandy Wood all of Elkhart.

A funeral service to celebrate Dale’s life will be on Tuesday, Aug. 5 at 3 p.m. in the Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home with Pastor John Contreras officiating.
The family will receive friends from 1 p.m. until the time of services in the funeral home.

Burial will follow in the Tippecanoe Cemetery at Tippecanoe.

The family requests any memorial contributions be made to: Tippecanoe Fire Department or Tippecanoe Emergency Medical Services in his memory.

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

Susan M. Feece  Date of Death 8/3/2008


Survivors include three sons: Jerry of Arizona, Wayne of Walkerton and Dale of Nappanee; one sister, Grace Bollinger of Elkhart; one brother, George Steele of Ft. Wayne; seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services will be Saturday, Aug. 9 at 12 p.m. Eastern Time at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel. Burial will be in the Woodlawn Cemetery, Walkerton. Visitation is Saturday, Aug. 9 at 10 a.m. EDT until the time of services.

Memorial contributions may be given to The Center for Hospice & Palliative Care, Inc., 111 Sunny brook Court, South Bend, IN  46637.

Hulda M. Ross  Date of Death 8/3/2008

WALKERTON — Huldah M. Ross, 82, of Millers Merry Manor, Walkerton, died Sunday, Aug. 3, in the nursing home.

Survivors include: one son, Michael (Sandy) Ross Sr. of Walkerton; four sisters, Henrietta (Joe) Hove of Fosston, Minn., Annabelle (George) Osborn of Inman, Kan., Maxine (Red) Hochstetler of Bremen, Emily (Phil) Kollar of South Bend; three brothers, Bernie (Jeri) Williams of South Bend, George Williams of LaPorte and Roy (Nedra) Williams of Walkerton; four grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Friday at 2 p.m. Eastern Time at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel.

Burial will be at the Woodlawn Cemetery, Walkerton.

Friends may call Friday from 12 p.m. EDT until the time of services at the funeral home.

Anita N. Chambers  Date of Death 8/4/2008

SMITHVILLE, Tenn. — Anita N. Chambers, 24, of Smithville, Tenn., formerly of Knox, died Monday, Aug. 4, 2008.

She is survived by her parents: Rusty Chambers of Streator, Ill. and Regina (Banks) Chambers of Smithville, Tenn.; her children: Hanna Michelle, Travis Matthew and Gracie Marie, all at home; a brother, Scott Tharpe of Plymouth; and a sister, Genelle Tharpe of Plymouth.

Visitation is Friday, Aug. 8 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the M.C. Smith Funeral Home, Knox. Funeral services are Saturday, Aug. 9 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at Oak Park Cemetery.
Patsy “Pat” L. Kaufman  Date of Death 8/6/2008

PLYMOUTH — Patsy “Pat” L. Kaufman, 72, living on N. Michigan Road, Plymouth, for the past 50 years, died of natural causes in her residence at 8:45 p.m. on Wednesday, August 6, 2008.

Born in Plymouth July 10, 1936, Pat was the daughter of Marion R. and Mabel F. Lichenberger Booker.

She graduated from Culver High School with the class of 1954, and from the South Bend School of Cosmetology.

On August 28, 1954, Pat and Lowell J. Kaufman were married. Lowell died on June 20, 2000.

A cosmetologist, Pat was self-employed in her home for 45 years. She named her shop; Pat’s Beauty Nook and had many loyal clients through the years.

She was devoted to her family and her grandchildren. She enjoyed golf, gardening, caring for her Koi fish pond and her faithful Blue Point Doberman - Keesha.

Pat, a member of St. Michael’s Roman Catholic Church was active with the Altar and Rosary society and was a Eucharistic minister.

She was also a longtime member of Delta Theta Tau sorority.

Pat is survived by a daughter, Lori D. (Dr. John M., Jr.) Bottorff, Crawfordsville, and three grandchildren: John K., Bryant M., and Angela M. Bottorff, all of West Lafayette.

Pat was preceded in death by her parents, her spouse and the recent loss of her daughter, Peggy L. Kaufman on May 28, 2008.

Friends are invited to share their memories of Pat with her family at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, from 3 to 5 p.m. on Sunday, August 10, 2008. A rosary will be prayed at 5 p.m. Calling will continue after 7 a.m. Monday in the funeral home.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, August 11, 2008, in St. Michael’s Catholic Church, 613 N. Center St., Plymouth. The Rev. Father William Kummer will officiate.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Pat’s name may be made to the Marshall County Community Foundation - St. Michael’s School Tuition Assistance Fund.

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

Ellen C. Dosmann  Date of Death 8/7/2008

SOUTH BEND — Ellen C. Dosmann, 81, residing in South Bend, passed away at 3:20 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 7, 2008 in Memorial Hospital following an illness.

She was born September 9, 1926 in Terre Haute, Ind., the daughter of Howard H. and Helen G. (Brown) Heaton and has lived in the South Bend-Mishawaka area most of her life. She was a 1944 graduate of Mishawaka High School.

On July 21, 1945 in St. Monica’s Catholic Church, Mishawaka, as Ellen Heaton, she was united in marriage to Joseph B. Dosmann. They enjoyed 45 years of marriage until his passing on Feb.
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13, 1990. She was also preceded in death by a son, John D. Dosmann in 1979; two infant sons, Joseph and Gerald and a great-granddaughter, Lisabeth Sue Dosmann on Jan. 18, 2008. Her sister Selma DeVos also preceded her in death.

Mrs. Dosmann was secretary-treasurer of Northern Electric Company for many years and later served as chairman of the board. She was a member of St. Jude Catholic Church, the Elizabethan Ladies of Knights of Columbus Council 5521 and was a member of the Ladies Golf Leagues at Erskine and Studebaker courses. Mrs. Dosmann was an avid sports fan; she especially enjoyed watching Notre Dame football and the Indianapolis Colts.

She was dedicated to and loved her family very much and especially enjoyed spending time with the grandchildren and great grandchildren. She cherished her time spent with “the girls” and enjoyed keeping them busy. She loved to go shopping with her namesake, granddaughter, Ellen. Mrs. Dosmann was a very strong and independent woman even until the end of her life. She had an amazing sense of humor and will be missed by all.


A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 12, at St. Jude Catholic Church, 19704 Johnson Road, South Bend. Graveside services and burial will follow at St. Joseph Valley Memorial Park, Granger.

The family will receive friends from 4 to 8 p.m. Monday at the Palmer Funeral Home-Guisinger Chapel, 3718 S. Michigan St., South Bend.

Contributions in memory of Mrs. Dosmann may be offered to The Center for Hospice & Palliative Care, Inc., 111 Sunnybrook Court, South Bend, IN 46637 or to the charity of the donor’s choice.

Lloyd Allen Trump  Date of Death 8/8/2008

Broad Run, Va.— Lloyd Allen Trump, 64, of Broad Run, Va. died Friday, Aug. 8, 2008 at Fauquier Hospital.

He is survived by his wife, Gretchen W.; daughters: Margaret (Josh) Schaaf of Bealeton, Va. and Katherine Trump of Gainesville, Va.; son, Matthew (Rebecca) Trump of Silver Spring, Va.; sisters: Lou (Clell) Michel of Tipton, Lorie Hofman of South Africa, Kate (Harold) Blitz of Warsaw, Betty Trump of Warsaw, and Barbara Trump of Warsaw; and brothers: Richard (Mallie) Trump of Tippecanoe, Robert (Nancy) Trump of Tippecanoe and Russell (Beth) Trump of Argos.

Funeral services were Monday, Aug. 11 in the Moser Funeral Home, Warrenton, Va.

Memorials may be made to the Living Covenant Church, P.O. Box 3145, Oakton, VA 22124.

The Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, is assisting with local arrangements.

Daniel Miller  Date of Death 8/9/2008

KNOX — Daniel Miller, 48, of Knox, died Saturday, Aug. 9, 2008 at Porter Memorial Hospital.

He is survived by companion, Annette Bradley of Knox; stepdaughter, Bray Lynn (Brian) Lewis of Monterey; brothers: Don (Jan) Miller of Grovertown, William (Denee) Miller of Hannah and Wendell Miller of Knox; sisters: Wilma (Roy) Hensley of Knox, Brenda (Jerry) Chiles of Knox,
Paul Perry  Date of Death 8/9/2008

UNION MILLS — Paul Perry, 66, of Union Mills, died at 7:40 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 9, 2008 at home.

He is survived by his wife, LaDonna Perry of Union Mills; mother, Virginia Alfreda Perry of Fish Lake; son, Paul Perry Jr. of Bellaray, Texas; daughter, Juliane High of Plymouth; brothers: Nathan (Beverly) Perry of Fish Lake and Jim (Katherine) Perry of Tampa, Fla.; and sister, Stella (Lawrence) Withrow of Placerville, Calif.

Visitation is Wednesday, Aug. 13 from 4 to 8 p.m. and Thursday, Aug. 14 from 9 a.m. until the time of services at Haverstock Funeral Home, LaPorte. Funeral services are Thursday at 11 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at Oak Grove Cemetery, Mill Creek.

Memorials may be made to Mill Creek Baptist Church, 8762 E. 200 S., Mill Creek; American Heart Association, 6100 W. 96th St., Suite 200, Indianapolis, IN 46201; or VNA Hospice of LaPorte County, P.O. Box 250, LaPorte, IN 46350.

Richard "Rick" Vance  Date of Death 8/9/2008

ROCHESTER — Richard "Rick" Vance, 62, of Wolf's Point Dr. Rochester, died Saturday, Aug. 9 at 5 p.m. at the Indiana University Medical Center in Indianapolis.

Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 13 at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St. (S.R. 14 West), Rochester.

The Rosary will be recited with Fr. Joseph E. Jacob at 7:30 p.m.

Mass of Christian burial will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 14 at the Saint Joseph Catholic Church with Fr. Burt Woolson.

Homer B. Adkins  Date of Death 8/10/2008

MONTEREY — Homer B. Adkins, 67, of Monterey, died Sunday, Aug. 10 in Monterey.

He is survived by his wife, Linda Adkins of Monterey; sons: Homer DeWayne Adkins of DeMotte and Dan Adkins of Palos Hills, Ill.; daughter, Sherry Victucci of Crown Point; sisters: Kay Smith of Garrison, Ky., Gail McCurr of Ohio; and six grandchildren.

Visitation is Thursday, Aug. 14 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Braman & Bailey Funeral Home, North Judson. Funeral services are Thursday, Aug. 14 at 2 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at Memory Lanes, Schererville.

Memorials may be made to the family.

Bruce VanDerWeele  Date of Death 8/10/2008

ARGOS — Lifetime Argos resident Bruce VanDerWeele, 89, passed away at 2 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 10, 2008. He had been a resident at Miller's Merry Manor in Plymouth for the past two months. He suffered from pulmonary disease for many years.

Bruce was the youngest of five sons born to Jacob and Alberta VanDerWeele on March 26,
1919 in Argos. After graduating from Argos High School with the class of 1937, he completed school at Fort Wayne Business College. While working for the Pennsylvania Railroad, he received his draft notice in January 1942 to serve in the Army and was sent to California. He married his high school sweetheart Vivian Thomas in the Wilshire Blvd. Methodist Church, Los Angeles, on Sept. 21, 1941. Two months after they wed, Pearl Harbor was bombed and they were separated. Bruce was sent to Hawaii and Viv returned to Argos. After the war, he returned home where he owned and operated the Argos Newsstand until 1955. He was then in sales until founding Vanadco Signs. He retired in 1982. Also, he retired from the military with the rank of Colonel, after 34 years of service. Bruce and Vivian enjoyed traveling in their retirement years, and enjoyed their winter months in Surprise, Ariz.

Bruce was a life member and served as Commander of the Argos American Legion, Post 68, where he led their award-winning Color Guard. After a fire in the late ’50s, he was instrumental in building their new Post. He is a member of the Plymouth VFW Post 1162 and a 50-year member and 32nd degree mason of the Plymouth-Kilwinning Lodge #149 of F. & A.M. He was involved with Explorer Scouts in Argos during the ’50s and the Scout Yellow River District, now Camp Tamarack in Jones, Mich. He served as Argos Town Judge, 1980-84. He was active in the Argos Alumni Association, and the South Bend Chapter of the Reserve Officers Association. He was a board member of the Marshall County Historical Society, charter member of the Blueberry Festival Board, and a member of the Marshall County Tax Review Board.

Survivors include his wife, Vivian of Argos; daughter, Jean (Bruce) Stauffer of Argos; son, Jon D. (Darleen) VanDerWeele of Argos; daughter, Janis (Steve) Wagner of Eugene, Ore.; nine grandchildren: Jay (fiancée Julie) Stauffer, Jana (fiancé Sung) Stauffer, Todd (Stacy) VanDerWeele, Amee (Andy) Stone, Mark (fiancée Jena) VanDerWeele, Kari (Troy) Nielsen, ENS Scott Wagner, FCSN Chad Wagner and Emily Wagner; and eight great-grandchildren: Riley and Abby Stauffer, Spencer, Alexis and Madilyn VanDerWeele, Samantha, Jonathon and Jacob Stone.

Preceding him in death are his parents are four brothers: Wayne, Ward, Jack and Gene.

Upon Bruce’s wishes immediate cremation has taken place. The family will receive friends Friday, Aug. 15 from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Argos Methodist Church, 540 N. Michigan St. A celebration service with military honors will be held at 3 p.m.

Bruce truly loved his family, his country, and his "little" town of Argos. He loved roses, kite flying, and people (he never met a stranger). He loved to watch the flag blowing in the breeze. We’re going to miss him; he was one of a kind. Contributions can be made to Argos Parks Program, 121 W. Walnut, Argos, IN 46501 or Marshall County Historical Society, 123 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

The Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos, is in charge of the arrangements.

**Jason B. Faro  Date of Death 8/11/2008**

PLYMOUTH — Jason B. Faro, 38, formerly of South Bend, died Monday, August 11, 2008 in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

He is survived by his wife, Amy; daughters: Amanda and Cheyenne; sons: Joshua, Brandon and Joseph; one granddaughter; parents, Daniel and Linda Faro; brother, Christopher Faro and grandparents, Dan Faro, Drexel Hurley and Helen DeMoss.

Funeral services will be Friday, Aug. 15 at 8 p.m. EDT at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel. Visitation is Friday from 6 p.m. EDT until the time of services at the funeral home.

**Larry L. Summy  Date of Death 8/12/2008**
LEESBURG — Larry L. Summy, 66, of 4860 N. 175 E., Leesburg, died Tuesday, Aug. 12, 2008 at 9:10 p.m. from complications of cancer at Kosciusko Community Hospital surrounded by family and friends. He was born Feb. 8, 1942 in Warsaw to Kenneth and Marie (Williamson) Summy. On July 16, 1969, he married Mary Ellen Wildman in Leesburg.

A native of Bourbon until moving to Leesburg, he was a truck driver for Fairmont Homes and then Maple Leaf Farms, retiring in 2008. He was a member of the American Legion Post #424, Bourbon. He served in the U.S. Army and Army Reserve. He was an award-winning professional shuffleboard player. Larry was an avid I.U. fan and supporter of his grandchildren’s activities.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Ellen Summy of Leesburg; two daughters: Sara (Terry) Martin of Warsaw and Rachelle (Scott) Edwards of Apex, N.C.; two sons: Jim (Mindy) Coon of Columbia City and Michael (Christine) Coon of Warsaw; sister, Patty (Everett) Beagle of Bourbon; 11 grandchildren: Amanda (Chris) Martin, Alan Coon, Tara (Justin Miller) Martin, Tarissa Martin, Sterling Martin, Victoria Martin, Rachel Edwards, Mari Edwards, Corinne Coon, Olivia Coon and Ellis Coon; two great-grandchildren: Dallas and Danika Miller; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one sister.

Visitation is Friday, Aug. 15 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the McHatton-Sadler Funeral Chapel, Warsaw. A celebration of life service will be held Saturday, Aug. 16 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home with Rev. Ron Horgan and Rita Price officiating.

Burial will be at the Leesburg Cemetery at a later date.

Memorials may be made to Child Abuse Prevention Council of Kosciusko County, P.O. Box 822, Warsaw, IN 46581-0822 or Kosciusko Home Care & Hospice, 902 Provident Drive, P.O. Box 1196, Warsaw, IN 46580.

To sign the guestbook or send condolences electronically, go to mchattonsadlerfuneralchapels.com

Sister Laura, P.H.J.C. Banet  Date of Death 8/13/2008

DONALDSON — Sister Laura Banet, P.H.J.C., 81, died Wednesday, Aug. 13, 2008 at her home in Fort Wayne.

Survivors include brother, Rev. Paul Banet of Galveston, Texas; sister, Victorine (James) Malsbury of Arcadia, Fla.; and sister-in-law, Joan Banet of Fort Wayne.

Mass of Resurrection is 11 a.m. Monday, Aug. 18 at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, 4500 S. Fairfield Ave. Fort Wayne, with calling one hour prior. Mass of Christian Burial is at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 19 at the Ancilla Domini Convent Chapel, Donaldson, with calling from 4 to 8 p.m. Monday, Aug. 18 at the Convent Chapel. Evensong will be at 7 p.m.

Memorials may be made to the Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ Ministry fund, through their Development Office or Masses at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church. Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, is handling the local arrangements.

Lawrence L. Cox  Date of Death 8/13/2008

Plymouth — Lawrence L. Cox, 66, of Laconia, N.H., died Wednesday, Aug. 13 at Starke Memorial Hospital, Knox.

He is survived by his wife, Charlotte Cox of Laconia, N.H., daughters: Lauren Andrea (Benjamin) Cox Escoto of Mexico City, Mexico and Allison Elizabeth (Scott) Cox Snyder of Concord, N.H., his mother, Ruth Chittick Cox of Plymouth, sister: Anne and Fred Benner of Plymouth and brother: Robert W. Cox of Columbia, S.C.
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A memorial service will be held Friday, Aug. 15 at 1 p.m. at the First United Church of Christ, 400 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Memorials may be made to the church.

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

Homer D., Pastor Miller  Date of Death 8/13/2008

NAPPANEE — Pastor Homer D. Miller, 83, of Nappanee died Wednesday, Aug. 13, 2008 at 2 a.m.

He is survived by his wife, Linda Miller; son, Lyle (Ada) Miller of Nappanee; daughters, Katie (Glen) Bontrager of Wakarusa, Ina (Dale) Slabaugh of Nappanee, Sara (Joni) Schrock of Madison and Maria (Vernon) Bacher of West Minster, S.C.; 19 grandchildren; 30 great grandchildren; and sister, Esther Mullett of Wakarusa.

Visitation is Thursday, Aug. 14 and Friday, Aug. 15 from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. at the Bethel Conservative Mennonite Church and one hour prior to services. Funeral services are Saturday, Aug. 16 at 10 a.m. at the church.

Burial will be at the Bethel Conservative Mennonite Church Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to United Christian Missions, Belize, Central America.

The Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home in Nappanee handled arrangements.

Doris F. Pranger  Date of Death 8/15/2008

PLYMOUTH — Doris F. Pranger, 60, of 12252 West County Line Rd., Plymouth, passed away Friday, Aug. 15, 2008, at 11:11 a.m. at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

She was born on Sept. 28, 1947, in Plymouth, to Raymond and Beatrice (Henry) Davenport.

Doris married Robert D. Pranger. They were married for 44 years. Robert passed away on June 8, 2008. Together they raised their three children.

Doris is survived by her sons: Robert, Jr. (Pat) Pranger and Richard (Lisa) Pranger, both of Plymouth; her daughter, Renee Bunger Pranger of Plymouth; eight grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; her brother, Donald (Sandy) Davenport of Plymouth; her sister, Dorothy (Dave) England of Plymouth; her sisters-in-law, Lorraine Davenport of Tippecanoe, and Pearl White of Culver.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert Pranger Sr.; her parents, Raymond and Beatrice Davenport; her brother, Richard Davenport; her granddaughter, Cari Pranger; and her father and mother-in-law, George and Goldie Pranger.

The VAN GILDER FUNERAL HOME, 300 West Madison St., Plymouth, has been entrusted with the arrangements. There will be no visitation. Graveside services will be held on Friday, Aug. 22 at 10 a.m., in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth with Chaplain Tom Padberg officiating.

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

Rebecca "Susie" Schoof  Date of Death 8/15/2008
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Susie was a very kind and loving person. She loved to spend time with friends and family and was most proud to be called Nana by her grandson Jared whom she loved with all of her heart.

Susie started work at the Corl Corporation in 1978, the company evolved into Bremen Glas and finally Maax Midwest where she worked until the spring of 2008. She worked in the purchasing department. She had many friends at work that she had adopted as family.

She was best known for her wonderful sense of humor; even in adversity she could find humor. During football season you would find her and Tom camped out in front of the television cheering on their favorite teams. She will be missed by everyone that knew and loved her.

Susie is survived by her husband, Tom; son, David (Jennifer) Schoof; grandson, Jared; parents, Marleah and Gerald Johnson; sisters: Shelley (John) Hopkins, Sherry Stires (Tim Estep) and Kathy Baer; brother, Rod (Danielle) Johnson; mother-in-law, Violet Schoof; brother-in-law, Craig (Diana) Schoof; nieces and nephews: Mike (Bekah), Amanda and Tara Stires, Shawn, Christopher and Stephen Johnson, Jeremiah Cutright, Kyle and Krista Schoof; great niece Brelyn Stires and great nephews Chandler and Alexander Stires.

She was preceded in death by three brothers: Gerald Lloyd Johnson, Harold James and Larry Eugene Cutright. A niece, Michelle Hopkins which she loved dearly. Richard Lee Schoof, her father-in-law, also preceded her in death.

Friends are invited to join the family to celebrate the life of Susie Schoof on Tuesday, Aug. 19, 2008 from 4 to 8 p.m. (and after 7 a.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 20) at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Susie will be held in the funeral home on Wednesday, Aug. 20, 2008 at 11 a.m. The Rev. Oliver Dongell, pastor of Plymouth Wesleyan Church will officiate.

Burial will follow services in the New Oakhill Cemetery.

Memorial gifts in Susie’s memory may be made to the American Cancer Society.

To share memories and express condolences, you may send messages to the family via the Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com

Gregg F. Rogers Date of Death 8/16/2008

GOSHEN — Gregg F. Rogers, 50, of Goshen, died Saturday, Aug. 16 at 2:35 a.m. in his home.

He is survived by his mother, Barbara Rogers of Goshen; step-daughter, Jodi (Rick) Perry of Bristol; two step-grandsons; sister; Tina (Steve) Yoder of Goshen; and a brother, Brad (Cindy) Rogers of Goshen.

There will be no services or formal visitation.

The family will celebrate Gregg’s life with an open house from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 24 in their home at 60471 County Road 21 in Goshen.

Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, Bourbon, is in charge of local arrangements.
Shirley J. Shaw  Date of Death 8/16/2008

WALKERTON — Shirley J. Shaw, 79, of Miller’s Merry Manor, Walkerton died Saturday, Aug. 16, 2008 in the nursing home. There are no survivors.

Funeral services will be Tuesday, Aug. 19 at 11 a.m. EDT at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel. Visitation is Tuesday at 10 a.m. EDT until the time of services.

Robert Dielman  Date of Death 8/17/2008


Visitation is Friday, Aug. 22 from 4 to 8 p.m. in the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Graveside services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 23 at the Plainview Cemetery, Macy.

Marjorie A. Baker  Date of Death 8/18/2008

CHESTERTON — Marjorie A. Baker, 89, of Chesterton, passed away on Monday, Aug. 18, 2008 in Valparaiso. She was born on July 11, 1919 in Hobart to the late Roscoe and Dora (Zumbaugh) Sarber. She was married on Aug. 20, 1937 in Plymouth to Alvin LeRoy Baker, who preceded her in death in 1985.

Marjorie is survived by her son, Barry L. Baker of Park Forest, Ill.; daughter, Mona (Kevin) Case of Chesterton; sister, Burl Flagg of Plymouth; and grandchildren: Amanda Baker of Wanatah and Matthew Case of Chesterton.

She was preceded in death by her brother, Charles Sarber, and sister, Violet Ludwig.

Marjorie was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Chesterton, where she was involved in the Mary Rachel Circle. She worked for John Meck Television in Culver from 1945 to 1957 and was a former Den Mother for her son’s Cub Scout Troop. Marjorie was also a volunteer Parent-Teacher Aide for the Duneland School and participated in a fundraiser for cancer research and muscular dystrophy.

Funeral services will be held Friday, Aug. 22, 2008 at 10 a.m. at Edmonds & Evans Funeral Home, 517 Broadway, Chesterton with Pastor Cathy Allison officiating. Burial will follow at Chesterton Cemetery, Chesterton. Visitation will be held Thursday, Aug. 21, 2008 from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 o 8 p.m. at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the VNA Hospice of Porter County, 501 Marquette St., Valparaiso, IN 46383. www.EE-FH.com

Phyllis Jean Molnar  Date of Death 8/18/2008

PLYMOUTH — Phyllis Jean Molnar, 80, of Plymouth, passed away at 8:47 a.m. Monday, Aug. 18, 2008 in the Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth. She was born on Nov. 14, 1927 in LaPaz, to John C. and Edith Lucille (Wingett) Swartz. On Jan. 13, 1951 in LaPaz, she married Stephen Molnar, who preceded her in death on March 26, 2007.
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Mrs. Molnar is survived by her sister and brother in law, Joan and Tom Cashen of Plymouth, and many nieces and nephews. Her brother, John C. Swartz preceded her in death.

Mrs. Molnar was a lifelong area resident. She was an executive secretary for Indiana & Michigan Electric Company retiring in 1989 after 41 years of service.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Aug. 22, 2008 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 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 21, 2008 in the funeral home.

Contributions may be made to Riley Children’s Foundation, 30 S. Meridian St. Suite 200, Indianapolis, IN 46204. Online condolences may be made at www.palmerfuneralhomes.com

Raymond Neirynck  Date of Death 8/18/2008

LAKEVILLE — Raymond Neirynck, 95, of Lakeville, died Monday, Aug. 18, 2008 in his home.

He is survived by his wife, Norma (Higginbotham) Neirynck; daughter, Sharon Wallace of LaPaz; son, Ronald (Sandra) Neirynck of Walkerton; stepdaughter, Betty L. (Don) Cornelius of Niles, Mich.; stepsons: Charles H. (Renee’) Kaufman Jr. of South Bend and Gerald (Diane) Kaufman of Lakeville; three grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; six step-grandchildren and 10 step-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 21, 2008 in the Palmer Funeral Home-Lakeville. Burial will follow in Mount Calvary Cemetery, South Bend. Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. Wednesday in the funeral home where a rosary will be said at 4 p.m.

James, Sr. Earl  Date of Death 8/20/2008

LAKEVILLE — James Earl, Sr. 68, of Lakeville, died Wednesday, Aug. 20, 2008 in Memorial Hospital, South Bend.

He is survived by his wife, Eileen “Sue” (Frick) Earl; two daughters: Susan (Jack) Whitbey and Jennifer Earl, both of Lakeville; son, James (Lisa) Earl Jr. of Elkhart; three grandchildren; sister, Shelby (Bob) Smith of Middlebury; brother, Oscar (Fran) Earl of Georgia and Dennis (Suzie) Kraus of Nappanee; stepsister, Jill (Ben) Pardue of Terre Haute; and stepbrother, Jack (Pauline) Borton of Pierceton.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 23 in the Palmer Funeral Home-Lakeville. Burial will follow in Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth. Visitation is one-hour prior to the services Saturday in the funeral home.

Sandra Lampert Garside  Date of Death 8/20/2008

DOWNERS GROVE, Ill. — Sandra Lampert Garside, 70, of Downers Grove, Ill. died Wednesday, Aug. 20.

Funeral services will take place Tuesday, Aug. 26 at 1 p.m. with visitation one hour prior at the M.C. Smith Funeral Home.

Burial will follow at Culver Masonic Cemetery.

Richard E. "Dick" Robison  Date of Death 8/20/2008

ROCHESTER — Richard E. “Dick” Robison, 64, of Rochester, died at 6:10 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 20, 2008 at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Lafayette.

He is survived by his wife, Marsha D. Robison; son, Rex (Kristina) Robison of Rochester; two
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granddaughters; and mother-in-law, Marjorie Miller of Rochester.

Visitation is Sunday, Aug. 24 from 3 to 7 p.m. and one hour prior to services Monday at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Funeral services are Monday, Aug. 25 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 #36 and the Veterans of Foreign Wars #1343.

Memorials may be made to the Kidney Foundation.

Eva H. Gongwer  Date of Death 8/22/2008

WAKARUSA — Eva H. Gongwer, 90, of Wakarusa, died Friday, Aug. 22 in Wakarusa.

She is survived by a son, Dean (Jeanne) Gongwer of Wakarusa; a daughter, Janet (Lynn) Hahn of Mishawaka; seven grandchildren: Cindy (Tom Dawson, Trent (Bobbi) Gongwer, Randy (Tiffany) Holdeman, Troy (Elissa) Gongwer, Lisa Reddington, Todd (Traci) Gongwer and Tad (Corina) Gongwer and 18 great-grandchildren.

Visitation took place Sunday, Aug. 24 from 5 to 8 p.m. and will be Monday, Aug. 25 from 2 to 8 p.m. at the Nappanee Missionary Church.

Funeral services will take place at the church Tuesday, Aug. 26 at 10 a.m. with burial to follow at Olive (west) Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Nappanee Missionary Church, P.O. Box 110, Nappanee, IN 46550.

Arrangements organized by Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Wakarusa.

Bennie "Ben" Murphy  Date of Death 8/22/2008

NAPPANEE — Bennie "Ben" Murphy, 80, of Nappanee, died Friday, Aug. 22 at 8:45 p.m. at Miller's Merry Manor, Syracuse after battling two types of cancer.

Murphy is survived by his wife of 53 years, Betty (Mishler); two sons: Mike Murphy of Nappanee and Tim Murphy of Atwood and eight grandchildren.

Visitation will take place Wednesday, Aug. 27 from 1 to 3 p.m. at Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, 950 N. Main St., Nappanee. Funeral services will take place Wednesday at 3 p.m. with military graveside services following at Bremen Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

James "Jim" Farrer  Date of Death 8/23/2008

BREMEN — James “Jim” Farrer, 86, died in his residence Saturday, Aug. 23, at 5 a.m.

He is survived by one daughter, Jamie Bonee of Bremen; two sons: Kent and Barbara Farrer of Wyatt and Randy and Rhea Farrer of Cassopolis, Mich.; six grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren and three great-great grandchildren.

Services will be Tuesday, Aug. 26, at 11 a.m. at the Bremen Cemetery Mausoleum Chapel.

Visitation is one hour prior the service.

Burial will be at Bremen Cemetery.

Condolences can be made online at www.mishlerfuneralhomes.com .
Johnney L. Chupp  Date of Death 8/24/2008

PLYMOUTH — Johnney L. Chupp, 58, of Plymouth, died at 10 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 24, 2008, at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center in Plymouth.

He is survived by his son, Eddie A. Han Chupp; his father, Fred and Ruth Chupp of Winamac; his mother, Mary Bennett; his sister, Susana Hunnicutt of Willmar, Minn.; and his brother, Danny Chupp of Plymouth.

There will be no visitation or funeral services.

The Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, is handling the arrangements.

Laurence Hubert Norris  Date of Death 8/24/2008

FULTON — Laurence Hubert Norris, 94, of Fulton, died at 4:45 p.m. Sunday Aug. 24, at Chase Center in Logansport.

He is survived by his wife, Mary L. Norris, at Woodbridge of Logansport; two daughters: Doris Ann Goode and her husband Tim of Rochester and Doreen Ehresman and her husband Steve of Lafayette; one son: David Norris and his wife, Janet of Mishawaka; and four grandchildren.

Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday and one hour prior to services in Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester.

Services are at 11 a.m. Friday at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Fulton Cemetery. Graveside military rites will be conducted by the Marine Corp., the LeRoy Shelton American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

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

Electronic condolences may be sent at goodfamily@rtcol.comThis e-mail address is being protected from spam bots, you need JavaScript enabled to view it .


He is survived by his parents, Mike Sr. and Diane R. Norris; son, Michael Charles Norris III; sister, Natasha Lane Norris; and grandparents, Eugene and Rebecca Peters.

Services will be held Saturday, Sept. 6 from 7 to 10 p.m. in Centennial Park, Plymouth, behind the tennis courts.

Memorials may be made to the Michael Charles Norris III Trust at any Teachers Credit Union.

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

Carl R, Dr. Col. Boyd  Date of Death 8/25/2008


He is survived by his wife, Cherylynn Boyd of Culver, children Michael Boyd of Chandler, Ariz., James Boyd of Hillsboro, Ore. And sister, Rosemary Avery of Washington.

Visitation is from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 30 at Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver.
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Services are at 1 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home with the Rev. Ron Lewallen officiating. Burial will be at Culver Masonic Cemetery.

Arrangements are being handled by Bonine-Odom.

**Edith M. Hoffer  Date of Death 8/25/2008**

North Manchester — Edith M. Hoffer, 88, of North Manchester, died Monday, Aug. 25, in Timbercrest Retirement Community.

She is survived by three brothers, Ralph I. Hartsough of North Liberty, Raymond (Claire) Hartsough of Plymouth and Royce (Ann) Hartsough of South Bend, and 17 nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 27, in the Palmer Funeral Home, 314 S. Michigan St., Lakeville.

Burial will follow in Fair Cemetery, North Liberty.

Visitation is from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday and one hour prior to the services Wednesday in the funeral home.

Contributions may be made to Timbercrest Retirement Community, North Manchester.

**William "Lee" Sheetz  Date of Death 8/26/2008**

ROCHESTER — William “Lee” Sheetz, 98, of Rochester, died at 4:15 a.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 26, at Grace Village in Winona Lake.

He is survived by his wife, Dorotha M. Sheetz at home; a step-daughter and step-son, six step-grandchildren and 11 step-great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be one hour prior to services, which will be at 11 a.m. Thursday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Rev. Tom Abbitt officiating.

Burial will be at Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Warsaw Community Grace Brethren Church or to Grace Village.

Electronic condolences may be sent at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

**Ellis E. Licht  Date of Death 8/27/2008**

CULVER — Ellis E. Licht, 87, of Culver, died Wednesday, Aug. 27, 2008 at Pilgrim Manor Nursing Home, Plymouth.

He is survived by nieces: Becky (Richard) Trusty, Elaine (Jim) Schuh, Rita (Larry) Binkley, Ann Moesely, Jan (Dan) Savage and Vickie (Elmer) Wagner; and nephews: Robert Licht, Richard (Judy) Lutz and Don (Alice) Lutz.

Visitation is Friday, Aug. 29 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, and Saturday, Aug. 30 for two hours prior to services at the church. Funeral services are Saturday, Aug. 30 at 11 a.m. at Wesley United Methodist, 511 School St., Culver. Burial will at Culver Masonic Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to The Ronald McDonald House or Wesley United Methodist Church.

**Katherine “Katie” R. Cherry  Date of Death 8/28/2008**
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PLYMOUTH — Katherine “Katie” R. Cherry, 85, died Thursday, Aug. 28, 2008, at Miller’s Manor Nursing Home in Plymouth.

She is survived by her daughter, Donna Whiteman of Plymouth; her sisters: Theresa Moore of Beech Grove, and Betty Cooper of Plainfield; four grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at Flanner and Buchanan Funeral Center-Floral Park, in Indianapolis, Wednesday, Sept. 3 at noon. Visitation was at the funeral center Tuesday, Sept. 2 from 6 to 8 p.m. Burial will be in Floral Park Cemetery.

Van Gilder Funeral Home, Plymouth, is handling the local arrangements.

Gloria K. Haynes  Date of Death 8/28/2008

WALKERTON — Gloria K. Haynes, 60, of U.S. 6, Walkerton, passed away at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, August 28, 2008, at Indiana University Medical Center in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Gloria was born September 2, 1947, in South Bend, to George and Marjorie (Goodspeed) Replogle.

Gloria and Michael R. Haynes were married on April 17, 1965. Michael preceded her in death on February 13, 1991.

Gloria was employed by the State Highway Department, American Dream Tours, and had been a secretary for the Recorders office since 1994. She was engaged to Alan Burkholder of Walkerton.

Gloria is survived by her daughter, April and Chad Whetstone of Columbia City; her son, Marcus Haynes and his friend Betty Jorgenson of Walkerton; her fiancee, Alan Burkholder of Walkerton; her brother, Mick and Lavern Replogle of Plymouth; and her grandson, L.G. Whetstone, of Columbia City.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, September 4, 2008, at 1:00 p.m., at the Tyner United Methodist Church, in Tyner, Indiana, with the Rev. Michael Dixon officiating.

Burial will be in Morris Cemetery in La Paz, Indiana.

A time of visiting with the family will be on Wednesday, September 3, 2008, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth, Indiana, 46563.

The Haynes Family would like for memorial contributions be given to the Tyner United Methodist Church.

Family and friends are invited to sign the guest book and share memories of Gloria at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com.

Herrold J. "Shorty" Henderson  Date of Death 8/28/2008

Lake Havasu City, Ariz. — Herrold J. “Shorty” Henderson of Lake Havasu City, Ariz., formerly of Plymouth, Indiana, passed away on Thursday, August 28, 2008, at the Polidori Hospice House in Lake Havasu City.

Herrold was born February 8, 1923, to Orville “Pug” and Iris Henderson. On February 13, 1949 Herrold and Nancy L. Bowel were married. Nancy died January 14, 2001.

While Herrold lived in Plymouth, he worked at Don’s Parlor and the Bear Cat Store. After moving to Los Angles, he was a zone manager for 13 western states, plus Alaska and Hawaii, with
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Whitaker Cable Corporation. He belonged to a Drum and Bugle Corps and marched in many parades and special events, in Plymouth and the surrounding area. He was a member of a Marine Corps League, Lake Havasu Detachment.

Herrold is survived by his son, James and Mitzi Henderson; his grandchildren, Dina and Brian; and his great-grandson, Aidan all of Spokane, Wash.. Also surviving is his sister, Hazel (Bill) Henderson of Plymouth.

Funeral services have taken place in Lake Havasu City. Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., IN, 46563, is handling the local arrangements.

Family and friends may share memories at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com .

Marie E. Hatfield  Date of Death 8/29/2008

PLYMOUTH — Marie E. Hatfield, 94, a Plymouth resident for all of her life, died at 9:45 p.m. on Friday, August 29, 2008, in Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth.

The daughter of Ira and Dottie Eaglebarger Berkeypile, Marie was born in Elkhart, Ind., on June 13, 1914. She attended Bourbon schools for the first six years and Plymouth schools for the remaining six years, graduating with the class of 1933.

On June 29, 1935, in Plymouth, Marie and Russell D. Hatfield were married. Russell died on June 13, 1990.

A homemaker, Marie loved to draw and paint with water colors. She enjoyed cooking and was adept at all kinds of handiwork, both as a student and a teacher: crocheting, knitting, tatting, doing cross stitch and paper cutting.

She was a member of the Tippecanoe Primitive Baptist Church for 68 years.

Marie is survived by a daughter and four sons. They are: Eileen (John) Burgess, Plymouth: Lowell Hatfield, Bowling Green, Ky.: Delmar (Karen) Hatfield, Elkhart: Harvey (Karin) Hatfield, South Bend and Timothy (Deborah) Hatfield, Sun Prairie, Wis.

Nineteen grandchildren and thirty great-grandchildren survive as well.

Marie was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, Russell, a son, David, in 1958 and two brothers, Arnold and Clayton Berkeypile.

Friends and family are invited to celebrate the life of Marie Hatfield at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, from 4 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, September 2, 2008 and Wednesday, September 3, 2008, for one hour prior to the services at the Church.

Funeral services for Marie will be held on Wednesday, September 3, 2008, at 10:00 a.m., in the Tippecanoe Primitive Baptist Church at the corner of Gumwood and 10th Rd. Elder Tom Sarber will officiate.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth, with a luncheon following at the Church.

Memorial contributions in Marie’s memory may be made to the Lion’s Eye Bank, the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care or to a charity of the donor’s choice.

Notes of condolences and sharing of memories of Marie may be e-mailed to the family at the funeral home’s Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com .

Jeffrey "Jeff", Sr. VanBlaricom  Date of Death 8/29/2008
PLYMOUTH — Jeffrey “Jeff” Van Blaricom, Sr., 13724 4th Road, Plymouth, died at 6:25 a.m. in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth, on Friday, August 29, 2008.

Jeff died following a courageous battle against cancer. He was 48 years old.

Born in Plymouth on April 27, 1960, Jeff was the son of Raymond P. Van Blaricom and Dora Ann (Dixon) VanBlaricom.

He graduated from LaVille High School with the class of 1978.

On May 28, 1978, in Walkerton, he and Lorrene Haines were married.

Jeff owned and operated a boat manufacturing company in Bradenton, Fla. He moved back to Indiana in August of 2007.

He enjoyed Tony Stewart and NASCAR racing, doing yard work and taking care of his grandbabies. He loved riding his Harley Davidson, playing poker and sitting with friends and family around bon fires.

Jeff is survived by his wife, Lorrene and by their three sons: Jeffrey Van Blaricom, Jr., Plymouth; Chad William Van Blaricom, Westville, and Raymond Earl Van Blaricom, Plymouth.

His parents, Raymond P. and Dora Ann VanBlaricom, both of Plymouth, sister, Pamela (Kevin) Fleck, LaPaz, and two brothers: Donald Vernon (Patty) Van Blaricom, Plymouth and Raymond Paul Van Blaricom, survive as well.

Jeff’s grandmother, Esther VanBlaricom, of Plymouth, also survives along with Doris Haines, his mother-in-law.

Two-sisters-in-law, Doreen (Bill) Wallace and Sidney (Terry) Anders, all of Plymouth, survive.

The lights of his life, his two grandsons, Jordan Kyle and Nicolas Allen VanBlaricom, also will miss him terribly.

Friends are invited to share their memories with his families on Wednesday, September 3, 2008, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Jeff will be held following visitation at 1 p.m. in the funeral home. Tom Padberg., of The Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, Inc., will officiate.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Jeffrey Van Blaricom Family.

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

David Conrad Jacobson Date of Death 8/30/2008

PLYMOUTH — David Conrad Jacobson, 68, of West 6B Road, Plymouth, Indiana, passed away suddenly of natural causes, at his home, on Saturday morning, August 30, 2008.

Dave was a long time resident of Marshall County, spending most of that time on West 6B Road, in Polk Township where he farmed, raised four sons and entertained eight grandchildren, taking each on their “first” tractor ride.

On August 21, 1940, Dave was born to Toby and Winifred (Schultz) Jacobson, in Plymouth.He
was a 1958 graduate of Tyner High School, in Tyner, where he excelled in basketball and
developed a love of all things related to farming.

After high school, he volunteered for four years in the United States Air Force and was stationed
at the Great Falls and Glasgow, Montana, Strategic Air Command Bases.

The latter stop is where he met his "soon to be wife", Jayne, at the Fort Peck Dam Beach. A year
and a half later, on August 19, 1962, they were married and moved back to Polk Township, with
all of their belongings stuffed into a 1955 Ford sedan.
In 1962, Dave went to work for Pacific Hawaiian Punch (which later became RJR Nabisco)
hauling food products to and from each coast. He enjoyed the freedom of the open road so
much, that after his first retirement (35 years later), he started two new truck driving jobs for Jevic
Trucking and JKR and retired two more times!! Additionally, he loved to travel with his family,
mostly by car, ".....for you could see more of this beautiful country by car, and meet the most
interesting people," he would say. He was proud to have visited 49 of the 50 states (the lower 48
all by driving)—Alaska was the only state to escape him. His love of farming led him to antique
tractor collecting. You could often see Dave, at farm and equipment auctions, laughing with new
and old friends, but never taking his eye off the auctioneer, for he didn’t want to miss out on his
next tractor treasure.
In 1969 Dave and Jayne bought their first farm, raised a family, and generated endless happy
memories. He was a member of the Immanuel Lutheran Church and the Tyner Odd Fellow Lodge,
where he loved a good game of pinochle.

Surviving Dave is his wife, Jayne of 46 years; their four sons, Mark (age 43) and Valerie living in
Denver, Colorado, Tod (age 41) and Theresa residing in Plymouth with their family, Kevin (age
38) living in Walkerton, and Hoa (age 38) and Chanret Pung living in Holland, Mich. with their
family; eight grandchildren, David, Cody, Chloe, Julia, Cole, Jacob, Kaleb, and Aaron; his two
sisters, Sue Fontanes of Plymouth and Marilyn and Alan Grobe of Portland, Ore.; and countless
friends.

He loved his family and friends and we return that love and will never forget him.

A time of sharing and visiting with the family will be on Thursday, September 4, 2008, from 4 to 7
p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, IN, 46563.

Dave’s Tyner IOOF Lodge brothers will pay tribute to him, with their memorial service at 7 p.m.

There will also be a time of visitation on Friday, September 5, 2008, at the Immanuel Lutheran
Church, from 10 to 11 a.m.

The funeral service will be held on Friday, September 5, 2008, at 11 a.m. at the
Immanuel Lutheran Church, 6835 Union Rd., Plymouth, with his pastor, the Rev. Dennis Wenzel
officiating.

Burial will be in the Immanuel Lutheran Cemetery.

The Jacobson family would like for memorial contributions to be given to the Immanuel Lutheran
Church.

Family and friends are invited to sign the guest book and share memories, with Dave’s family,

Richard Hal Klein Date of Death 8/30/2008

PLYMOUTH — Lifetime Plymouth resident, Richard Hal Klein better known as Dick or “Blackie”
passed away Saturday evening August 30th, 2008 in the Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center -
Plymouth Campus.
Dick was born to Victor P. and Catherine Pearl (Freyman) Klein on December 10th, 1921. Dick graduated from Plymouth’s Lincoln High School in 1939, where he was active in football and cheerleading. He was offered a football scholarship to Franklin College.

After graduating from high school he met and married Mary Marie Jarrell. They were married July 12, 1942 in the Plymouth First United Church of Christ.

Dick began his business career at a very young age of 10 years old. He sold fresh vegetables from his little red wagon which included a scale to weigh them. He owned and operated the Hippety Hop restaurant in 1947 and returned to the restaurant business in the 1980s with the Sunrise Coffee Shop. In addition he ran the Shell Oil distributorship with his father and brother which later became the Klein Oil Company. His entrepreneurial skills were also demonstrated in sales and as a visionary in the community. He helped to develop the current Plymouth Airport and other land development north of Plymouth.

Dick was a member of the First United Church of Christ since he was baptized as an infant. He went on to serve the church as a Sunday School Superintendent, Deacon and Elder. He served the community as a former member of the Plymouth City Council and the Board of Adult Mental Health Services. Dick was along with his father a charter member of the Plymouth Rotary Club.

A beloved grandfather, he enjoyed following their many interests which included; theater, athletic events, horse shows and academic programs.

His family includes his wife Mary; two daughters and their families; Susan and husband Tom Brinton with their children: Jessica Susan Klein Brinton of Washington, D.C. and Amanda Dianne Klein Brinton a student at the University of Florida, Gainesville. Daughter Sarah Lynn and husband Dan Flynn with their children: Cadet Sean Patrick Klein Flynn at the United States Military Academy, West Point, NY, Connor Richard Klein Flynn, Matthew Thomas Klein Flynn and Mary Catherine Klein Flynn all of Plymouth.

Two sisters also survive. They are; Helen Glaub and Betty (Louis) Wenino, both of Plymouth and includes numerous nieces and nephews.

Dick was preceded in death by an infant sister, Henrietta Klein and a brother Phil Klein.

The family will receive friends Saturday, Sept. 6, 2008 from 9 to 11 a.m. in the First United Church of Christ, 321 N. Center St., Plymouth where services will be held at 11 a.m. The Reverends Steven Voelker and Ronald Liechty will officiate. A reception will immediately follow services in the church fellowship hall.

In lieu of flowers the family requests memorial gifts be made to the church.

The Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth is assisting in the arrangements. Notes of condolence may be sent to the family through the Web site:  www.johnson-danielson.com

**Betty Louise Nemeth  Date of Death 8/30/2008**

SOUTH BEND — Betty Louise Nemeth, 85, of South Bend, died at 11:35 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 30 at her home.

Betty is survived by two brothers, Jay Shreve and Connie (Judy) Shreve, and one sister, Roxanne Blair, all of South Bend; and her sister-in-law, Ann Locsmondy of South Bend and her family.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 4, at the Palmer Funeral Home-Guisinger Chapel, 3718 S. Michigan St., South Bend with the Rev. Ken Fetter, pastor of Hillside Missionary Church, officiating.
Entombment will follow at Riverview Cemetery, South Bend.

Friends may visit with Betty's family from 5 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 3 at the funeral home.

Jack Scott Rankert  Date of Death 8/30/2008


He is survived by a sister, Sue Ellen (Bill) Moore of Florence, Wis.; and brothers: Jeff (Susan) Rankert of Milford, Mich., Murray (Shari) Rankert of Indianapolis and Drew Rankert of Argos.

Visitation is Saturday, Sept. 6 from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth. Funeral services are Saturday, Sept. 6 at 3 p.m. at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network.

Janice E. Gard  Date of Death 8/31/2008

BOURBON — Janice E. Gard, 59, of 1856 State Road 10, of Bourbon peacefully entered into eternal rest on Sunday, Aug. 31 at 11:30 a.m. in her home of Pancreatic Cancer.

Jan was born the daughter of Lowell T. Gard and JoHannah Slough Gard on Sept. 11, 1948 at Bremen. She had worked at Frank Manufacturing of Mentone for 15 years.

Jan was a graduate of Triton High School class of 1966. She also was a graduate of IUSB of South Bend with a Bachelor of Arts degree with distinction in 1985, graduated from Ohio University with a Master of Science degree in psychology in 1992. She completed her internship in psychology at the Veterans Hospital of Little Rock, Ark. in 1993. Jan also attended the Etna Green United Methodist Church. She enjoyed and loved animals of all kinds especially her cats.
Janice is survived by her mother, JoHannah Gard of Bourbon and her three brothers: Gregory (Diane) Gard of Rochester, Jeffery (Joyce) Gard of New Carlisle, and Eric (Janie) Gard of Carmel.

She was preceded in death by her father, Lowell and a baby nephew, Andrew Gard.

A funeral service to celebrate Jan’s life will be held Thursday, Sept. 4 at 10:30 a.m. in Etna Green United Methodist Church with Pastor Joe Lampton officiating.

The family will receive friends from 5 to 8 P.M. Wednesday in the Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, 115 S. Main St. Bourbon, and for one hour before services in the church on Thursday.

Burial will follow in Etna Green Cemetery at Etna Green.

The family requests any memorial contributions be made to Kosciusko County Hospice, Etna Green United Methodist Church or Marshall County Humane Society in her memory.

Don "Pete", Jr Jimerson  Date of Death 8/31/2008

KNOX — Don "Pete" Jimerson Jr., 65, died Sunday, Aug. 31, at LaPorte Hospital.

He is survived by his wife, Rebecca Lee, one daughter, Denise Birk of Knox; three sons, Jeff, Ronald and Don Jimerson all of Knox; nine grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; five sisters, Stella Samuels, Virgie Eaton, Philis Pohl, Donna Gauker and Mary Runion; five brothers, Ed Cole, Vance Cole, Clyde Cole, Russ Jimerson and Lonnie Wayne Jimerson.

Funeral services will be Thursday at 11 a.m. CDT at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel. Burial will be at the Oak Grove Cemetery, Knox. Friends may call Wednesday from 4 to 8 p.m. CDT and Thursday after 10 a.m.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Knox American Legion Post #131.

Samuel Henry Kleckner  Date of Death 8/31/2008

MISHAWAKA — Samuel Henry Kleckner passed away on Sunday evening, Aug. 31, 2008 in his home.

He was born in Tippecanoe, Ind. He was preceded in death by his parents Ora and Maude Kleckner and five sisters; Elva Longbrake, Ellen Zechiel, Mary Geier, Zona Bilyew and June Kleckner and has one surviving sister Edna Elliott of Plymouth.

He graduated from Tippecanoe High School in 1939. He joined the US Army in 1942 and was honorably discharged in 1945. He served on tours in Asia, North Africa and Europe. Samuel married Doris Helen Young of Culver in November 1946. From this union were born eight children. He attended Dunwoody Institute in Minneapolis, MN, a baking school. He was employed at various bakeries in the area, including the University of Notre Dame. In 1955, he changed careers and attended the National School of Meat cutting in Toledo, Ohio, after which he worked as a meat cutter for A&P for 26 years.

Samuel is survived by his wife Doris of 62 years and eight children: Carole Kisner of Indianapolis, Martin Kleckner of Indianapolis, Joyce Kleckner Gatto (Eduardo) of Deerfield, Ill., William Kleckner, Md., (Kathy) of Indianapolis, Bonita Kowalinski (Gerald) of Mishawaka, Beverly Kleckner-Thiele (Dean) of Ramsey, Minn., Katherine Kleckner (Joe Burns) of St. Paul, Minn. and Kevin Kleckner (Dawn Underwood) of Tucson, Ariz. He is also survived by 11 grandchildren: Jayne Kendall, MD (Nick) of Gastonia, N.C., James Kisner, III (Michelle) of San Francisco, Calif., Andrew Kleckner of Indianapolis, Katie Kleckner of Chicago, Ill. and Christopher Kleckner of Bloomington, Jonathan Gatto and Christopher Gatto of Deerfield, Ill., Allison Kowalinski and
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Melissa Kowalinski of Bloomington, Joseph Kleckner and Annie Kleckner-Thiele of Ramsey, Minn. and two great-grandchildren: Jackson Thomas Kendall and Claire Elizabeth Kendall of Gastonia, N.C.

Visitation for family and friends will be held Friday, Sept. 5 from 2 to 7 p.m. in Hahn Funeral Home, 505 W. 8th St., Mishawaka. Funeral service will be held in the funeral home on Saturday, Sept. 6 at 10 a.m. with Rev Mark Zerkel officiating. Graveside services will be held at 2 p.m. in Summit Chapel in Bourbon.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Heart Association/American Stroke Association Memorial & Tributes Lockbox, 3816 Paysphere Circle, Chicago, IL 60674.

To leave the family an online condolence or to share memories with the family, please visit the Web site at www.hahnfuneralhomes.com .

Rebecca May Fribley  Date of Death 9/2/2008

Rebecca May Fribley, 91, of 625 W. Oakhill Ave., Plymouth, formerly of Argos, died Sept. 2, 2008 at 10 a.m. at Miller's Merry Manor of Plymouth, following a year-long illness. She was born Aug. 4, 1917 in Terre Haute to David and Clara (Sears) Powers.

Rebecca lived in Argos since 1964 coming from the Terre Haute area.


Rebecca was a homemaker and worked at Schori's restaurant in Plymouth, and also at Real Meal of Argos. She was a member of the Plymouth Baptist Church, Plymouth.

She is survived by four daughters: Dorothy (Vernon) Frayer of Fort Wayne, Nellie (Jerry) Turpin of Evansville, Clara (Howard "Joe") Rosebaum of Argos and Becky Quimby of Argos; one son, Fred (Marilyn) Powell of Milford; one stepson, Max Fribley of Warsaw; one step-daughter-in-law, Evie Fribley of Atwood; one sister, Irene Baker of Warsaw; one brother, David (Ann) Powers of Farmersburg; and numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; both husbands; two sons; two stepsons; one stepdaughter; two grandsons; one sister; and two brothers.

Friends may visit with the family Thursday, Sept. 4, 2008 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday, Sept. 5, 2008 at the funeral home with Rev. Doug Jividen of the Plymouth Baptist Church officiating.

Burial will be at Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos.

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

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.

Matthew “Matt” Fred Thompson  Date of Death 9/2/2008

ARGOS — Matthew “Matt” Fred Thompson, 29, of 17199 Oak Rd., Argos, died Tuesday, Sept. 2, 2008 at 7:42 p.m. at Memorial Hospital of South Bend from injuries following a motocross
He was born March 9, 1979 in Indianapolis to Gregory Lee and Patricia A. (Cherry) Thompson.

He lived most of his life in the Argos community. Matt worked for Planetechs at AAR, Indianapolis, where he was a Airfram & Powerplant mechanic. He was a member of the American Motorcycle Association and Sons of the American Legion Post #68 of Argos. He was a graduate of Argos High School with the class of 1997, where he earned a varsity letter in basketball and golf.

He is survived by his mother, Patty Thompson of Indianapolis; son, Ryley D. Sears of Rochester; paternal grandfather, Dale V. Thompson of Argos; maternal grandmother, Dorothy Cherry of Indianapolis; and several aunts and uncles and many cousins.

He was preceded in death by his father, Gregory Thompson on March 2, 1979; grandmother, Lois Thompson; and grandfather, William Fred Cherry Jr.

Friends may visit with the family Saturday, Sept. 6, 2008 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos.

Memorial contributions may be made to a trust fund that has been set up for his son Ryley at 1st Source Bank, 518 N. Michigan St., Argos, IN 46501. Envelopes will also be available at the funeral home.

Electronic condolences may be sent to the family at: memorials@earl-grossmanfuneral.com

Floyd E. Burkholder  Date of Death 9/3/2008

NAPPANEE — Floyd E. Burkholder, 83, of Nappanee, died at 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 3 at home.

He is survived by his wife, Clara Burkholder; daughters: Betty (Ernie) Schwartz and Jeanne Grove, both of Nappanee; seven grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; sisters: Annabelle Cripe of Goshen and Lydia Mae Miller of Nappanee; and sister-in-law, Anna Mae Burkholder of Nappanee.

Visititation was after 6 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 4 and all day Friday at the Ernie Schwartz residence, 13106 N. 950 W., Nappanee. Funeral services are Saturday, Sept. 6 at 9:30 a.m. at the Ernie Schwartz residence. Burial will be at Weldy Cemetery.

Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee, is assisting with the arrangements.

Laveda B. Rogers  Date of Death 9/3/2008

ARGOS — Laveda B. Rogers, 87, of Argos, died Wednesday, Sept. 3 at 6:50 a.m. at home.

She is survived by her children: Steven (Sharon) Rogers of New Tazewell, Tenn., Owen (Priscilla) Rogers of Riverdale, Ga. and Frances Jo (Greg) Elkins of Spring Valley, Ariz.; 16 grandchildren, 29 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren; two sisters: Arlene Davis of Swifton, Ark. and Rosemary Bradshaw of Searcy, Ark.; and brother, John Charles and wife Frankie Hamilton of Giddings, Texas.
Ronald Mark Alber  Date of Death 9/5/2008

ROCHESTER — Ronald Mark Alber, 63, of Rochester, died at 5:50 p.m. Friday, Sept. 5, 2008 at home.

He is survived by his wife, Jill Daulton Alber; daughters: Traci (Michael) Benzing of Rochester and Peggy Hurst of Rochester; sons: Mark (Shelly) Alber of Warsaw, Paul (Holly) Alber of Rochester, Nathan Alber of Rochester, Dustin (Robin) Overmyer of Rochester and Eric (Valerie) Hammell of Rochester; 16 grandchildren; sister, Elaina (Bruce) Henry of Indianapolis; and brother, Joe Alber of Rochester.

There will be no local visitation or funeral services. He will be buried at sea.

The Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, is in charge of the arrangements.

Clara Lavina (Miller) Dickson  Date of Death 9/5/2008

PLYMOUTH — Clara Lavina (Miller) Dickson, age 99, of Parkview, Plymouth, Ind., passed away at 2:55 a.m., Friday, Sept. 5, 2008, at Pilgrim Manor Nursing Home in Plymouth.

Clara was the youngest child born to Frank O. and Julia (Chart) Miller, May 15, 1909, in Marshall County, Ind. She was raised in the Tyner Community, along with her brothers and sister: Floyd C. Miller, Cleo F. Miller, Henry R. Miller and Nettie May (Miller) Filley.

She was the last surviving child of her family.

Clara married James O. Dickson June 25, 1927. James passed away in 1976. Their married life was spent in, Plymouth; Orlando, Fla. and Warsaw, Ind.

Clara is survived by her three children: Phyllis (Robert, deceased) Cartwright of Plymouth, James E. Dickson and Leon (Doris) Dickson of Plymouth; her grandchildren and her great-grandchildren.

Clara’s family would like to thank the staff of Pilgrim Manor Nursing Home, for the love and care given to her, during her many years as a resident.

A time of visiting, with the Dickson family, will be Tuesday, Sept. 9, 2008, from 11 a.m. until the time of the service at 1 p.m., at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, IN, 46563.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday, Sept. 9, 2008, at 1 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, with the Rev. Steven Voelker officiating.

Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

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

Kathryn G. Geisler  Date of Death 9/5/2008

WINONA LAKE — Kathryn G. Heisler, 103, of Wooster Rd, (Grace Village) Winona Lake, Ind., died Friday, Sept. 5 at 5 a.m. in Grace Village Assisted Living.
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She was preceded in death by a daughter, Verona Gaskill; a sister, four brothers and a grandson.

The family will receive friends from 4 to 8 p.m. today, Sept. 8 at Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, 115 S. Main St. Bourbon.

A funeral service will be held Tuesday, Sept. 9 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home with Robert Jarboe, Hospice Chaplin officiating.

The family requests any memorial contributions be made to Kosciusko County Hospice in her memory.

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

Crystal S. VanParys  Date of Death 9/5/2008

WALKERTON — Crystal S. VanParys, 75, died Friday, Sept. 5, 2008 in Hospice House, South Bend, Ind. She was preceded in death by her husband, Rene M. VanParys and her parents, three sisters and one brother.

She is survived by two sons: Greg Graddy of Heber Springs, Ark. and Mark (Beth) VanParys of South Bend; two grandsons, Major Bryan (Jessie) Graddy and Justin (Chrisy) Graddy; three great-grandchildren and one sister, Doris (Al) VanDenHeuvel of Minn.

Friends may visit with the family on Tuesday, Sept. 9 at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel after 10 a.m. until the time of services.

A memorial service will be held Tuesday at 11 a.m. Eastern Time at the funeral home with Father Michael Winkowski officiating.

Cremation has taken place.

Memorial contributions may be given to The Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, Inc., 111 Sunnybrook Court, South Bend, IN, 46637.

Charles, Jr. Weiger  Date of Death 9/5/2008


Charles was born March 3, 1924 in Culver, Ind. to the late Charles Oscar Theodore and Elsie Louella (Kendall) Weiger.

During his career, Charles was a self-employed general contractor. He was a member of Grace United Church of Christ in Culver, Ind. and the Odd Fellows Lodge in Argos, Ind.

In addition to his parents, Charles was preceded in death by one sister, Helen Weiger and three brothers: Robert, Vern and Raymond Weiger.

Survivors include his wife, Mildred M. (Clingler) Weiger; daughter, Louellen (John) Kowatch; sons, Terry Weiger and Robin (Tina Pierce) Weiger; granddaughter, Barbara Kowatch; great-grandson, Jacob "Jake The Snake" Kowatch and sisters, Faye Gilbert and June Dunnuck.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, Sept. 8, 2008 at Flanner and Buchanan Funeral Center-Broad Ripple. Calling was held from 4 until 8 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 7, 2008 at the funeral center. Burial will be at a later date in Culver Masonic Cemetery, Culver.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Lupus Alliance of America, 26507 Harper Avenue, Saint Clair Shores, MI 48081.
Edna M. Yoder  Date of Death 9/5/2008

ETNA GREEN — Edna M. Yoder, 80, of S.R. 19, Etna Green, died Friday, Sept. 5 at 6:40 p.m. at her home, after a four-year battle with cancer.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Menno and Fannie (Miller) Kuhns; a son, LaVerne, three grandchildren, one great-grandchild, four brothers and two sisters.

She is survived by her husband Edwin J. Yoder; three sons: Omer (Irene) Yoder of Phoenix, Ariz., Galen (Theresa) Yoder of Montgomery, Ind. and Stanley (Anita) Yoder of Etna Green; four daughters: Katherine (Atlee) Yoder of Middlebury, Laura (John) Eicher of Wakarusa, Fannie (Chris) Yoder of Nappanee and Nancy (Edward) Miller of Etna Green; a daughter-in-law, Linda Yoder of Etna Green; 39 grandchildren and 37 great-grandchildren; three brothers: John Henry (Pat) Kuhns of Nappanee, Menno (Esther) Kuhns of Wisconsin and Bill (Carol) Kuhns of Elkhart; three sisters: Elizabeth (Alfred) Shrock of N.D., Leona (Marvin) Stutzman of Nappanee and Fannie Mae (Ralph) Stichter of Wakarusa.

Visitation took place at the family residence (8804 N. S.R. 19) after 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 6 and all day Sunday, Sept. 7.

Funeral services will take place at the home Monday, Sept. 8 at 9:30 a.m. with burial to follow at Graber Cemetery.

Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, was in charge of arrangements.

Gregory R. Gard  Date of Death 9/6/2008

ROCHESTER — Gregory R. Gard, 61, of 788 W. S.R. 14, of Rochester passed away on Saturday, Sept. 6 at 2:47 p.m. in Woodlawn Hospital unexpectedly of an apparent heart attack.

Greg was born the son of Lowell T. Gard and JoHannah Slough Gard on May 28, 1947 at Warsaw. He was a resident of the Rochester area since 1981. He was employed by the City of Rochester, working with the Street Department.

Greg was a graduate of Triton High School class of 1965. He was active in ABATE of Fulton County, he was known as “Gard Dog”. He was also a Veteran of the United States Navy serving in Vietnam. His memberships include; Moose Lodge, Eagles Lodge, VFW and American Legion all of Rochester. He enjoyed and loved motorcycles, animals of all kinds and fishing.

Greg is survived by Diane Wheadon of Rochester, his four children: Heath(Gwenda) Gard of Middlebury, Fla., Trina Gard of Bourbon, Laurie Wheadon of Ligonier and Jim Wheadon of Rochester. He was also blessed with three grandchildren. Along with his mother, JoHannah Gard of Bourbon and his two brothers: Jeffery (Joyce) Gard of New Carlisle, and Eric (Janie) Gard of Carmel. Greg also has two nieces, a nephew and his beloved dog, “Rail”.

He was preceded in death by his father, Lowell and his sister, Janice who passed away only a week ago.

A funeral service to celebrate Greg’s life will be held Wednesday, Sept. 10 at 10:30 a.m. in Etna Green United Methodist Church with Pastor Joe Lampton officiating. The family will receive friends from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday in the Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, 115 S. Main St. Bourbon, Indiana and for one hour before services in the church on Wednesday.

Burial will follow in Etna Green Cemetery at Etna Green, Indiana with Military Graveside Honors.
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The family requests any memorial contributions be made to ABATE of Fulton County (Toys for Tots) or Hilltop Kennels of Akron in his memory.

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

Joseph E. Miller  Date of Death 9/6/2008

LEESBURG — Joseph E. Miller., 62, of Leesburg, died Saturday, Sept. 6 at 6:44 a.m. at his home on Banning Lake.

He is survived by his wife Janet (Wiegand); a sister, Jo Ann (Dupont) Klodzinski of Mishawaka, Ind.; 12 nieces and nephews and many cousins.

Visitation will take place from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 9 at McHatton-Sadler Funeral Chapel, 2290 Provident Court Warsaw, Ind. with a rosary service at 7:30 p.m.

Funeral services will take place Wednesday, Sept. 10 at 10 a.m. at the chapel.

Private internment services will follow.

To sign the guest book or to send condolences electronically visit mchattonsadlerfuneralchapel.com.

Michael D. Sporner  Date of Death 9/6/2008

BOURBON – Michael “Mike” D. Sporner, 52, Bourbon, died of natural causes at his home on Saturday, Sept. 6, 2008.

Born in Plymouth on Feb. 24, 1956, Mike was the son of Carl D. and Patricia Luse Sporner.

He graduated from Triton High School with the class of 1974.

From 1976 to 1980, Mike served in the United States Marines. He attended boot camp in San Diego, Calif., and was honorably discharged with the rank of Sergeant.

An avid golfer, he could often be seen at the Tri-Way Golf course as well as many other area courses.

He was an active member of the Moose Lodge in Plymouth and of the American Legion and the Eagles Lodge.

Mike is survived by his mother and by a sister, Susan M. and Michael Krantz, Bremen and five brothers: Brian and Trisha Sporner, Bourbon: Patrick D. and Margaret Sporner, Plymouth: Phillip L. and Daniel Sporner, both of Bremen and Scott Sporner of Osceola, Ind.

Numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews also survive.

He was preceded in death by his father, Carl.

Friends are invited to share their memories with Mike’s family at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, on Saturday, Sept. 13, 2008, from 1 to 2 p.m.

Moose Lodge funeral services will follow visitation at 2 p.m in the funeral home.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Mike’s memory may be made to the Moose Family Center, Plymouth.
Virginia Carol Railsback Watts  Date of Death 9/6/2008

PLYMOUTH — Virginia Carol Railsback Watts, 83, passed away peacefully at her daughter’s home in Plymouth, Saturday, Sept. 6, 2008.

Virginia was born on May 14, 1925, at her parents’ home in Argos. She was the daughter of Victor Caillat and Mae Agnes (Dunlap) Railsback. She was a descendant of the Railsback, Barnhill, Caillat, Cruzan, and Dunlap pioneer families, of Marshall County, Ind. Virginia graduated from Argos High School, in the Class of 1943, and lived in Marshall County most of her life.

Virginia was a Christian, having put her trust in Jesus Christ as a child, she was ready to meet her Savior.

Surviving are her children: Anita (Michael) Kopetski of Mishawaka, Nancy Watts of Plymouth, and Duane (Norene) Watts of Middlebury her grandchildren: Noel Watts, Viktor Cieplinski, and Crystal Watts; three great-grandchildren; her sisters: Ruby Smith of Argos, and Vera Ellert of Holiday, Fla.; and 16 nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her sisters: Dorothy Harper, Evelyn Overmyer, Norma Staton; and two infant siblings: Harold and Linda Watts.

A time of visiting with the family will be Wednesday, Sept. 10, 2008, from 4 to 7 p.m.

Funeral services will be Friday, Sept. 12, 2008 at 2 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, IN, 46563, with the Rev. Herb Claar officiating. Burial will be in Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos.

Max Kehoe  Date of Death 9/8/2008

BOURBON — Max Kehoe, 84, of 14128 Beech Rd., Bourbon peacefully entered into rest, Monday, Sept. 8 at 6:15 p.m. in Mason Health Care Center of Warsaw.

Max was born the son of Paul Kehoe and Irene Peterson Kehoe on Jan. 19, 1922 at Plymouth. He had been a resident of Bourbon most of his life.

Max was joined in marriage to Jo Ann Albrecht on June 19, 1976, she survives. Max was a faithful member of the Tippecanoe Community Church. He was a retired truck driver, delivering trucks all over the country. Max’s memberships include: the Masonic Lodge, Bourbon American Legion #424 and the Teamster’s Union. He was also a graduate of Bourbon High School class of 1941 and was a veteran of the United States Navy serving during World War II.

A funeral service to celebrate Max’s life will be Friday, Sept. 11 at 11 a.m. in the Tippecanoe Community Church with Rev. Doug Fritzel officiating.

The family will receive friends from 9 a.m. until the time of the services on Friday in the Church.

Burial will follow in the Oak Hill Cemetery at Plymouth.

The family requests any memorial contributions be made to: Gideon’s International or the
Ruth L. Newberg  Date of Death 9/8/2008

SOUTH BEND — Ruth L. Newberg, 85, of South Bend, passed away at 8:15 a.m. Monday, Sept. 8 at Southfield Village Nursing Center after a courageous battle with cancer.


Also surviving are a daughter, Rebecca E. (Stanley) Nooe of Bradenton, Fla.; and a son, Larry W. (Marleta) Newberg of Kokomo. Also by five grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren, whom she loved and cherished. A sister, Mildred Kruse of Pinellas Park, Fla. and by two brothers: Paul (Dorothy) Hayn of Plymouth and Don (Mary) Hayn of Argos.

She was preceded in death by two sisters: Helen O’Hara and Mary Rutherford.

Ruth was a homemaker and loved to travel, gardening, church work, camping and flying with her husband.

She was a true Christian and served the Lord faithfully.

She will be sadly missed by a loving family, her church family and all who had the opportunity to know this wonderful lady.

Ruth was a former member of Trinity United Methodist Church in Plymouth and South Bend Central United Methodist Church. She and her husband are presently members of Southlawn United Methodist Church.

Visitation hours will be from 9 to 11 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 11 at Southlawn United Methodist Church located at 60756 U.S. 31 S., South Bend.

Funeral services will take place at 11 a.m. Thursday in the church with Pastors Joseph R. Baunock and Ron Dixon officiating. Burial to follow at Southlawn Cemetery.

The family requests, please, in lieu of flowers, please make all memorials to the Southlawn United Methodist Church.

The HANLEY & Sons “Southwest Chapel” Funeral Home handled arrangements and extends its deepest sympathy and heartfelt prayers to the Newberg family.

Cleatis “Jack” Allen  Date of Death 9/9/2008


Funeral services will be Saturday at 11 a.m. Eastern Time at Rannels Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel. Burial will be in the Woodlawn Cemetery, Walkerton. Visitation is Friday from 5 to
William (Doug) Douglas Bickerstaff  Date of Death 9/9/2008

MESA, Ariz. — William (Doug) Douglas Bickerstaff passed away Sept. 9, 2008 at Banner Hospice House in Mesa, Ariz. with his wife Geneva, and his father and his step-mother by his side.

Doug was born May 17, 1951 in Stubenville, Ohio, to William (Bill) and Dorothy Bickerstaff.

He graduated from Toronto Ohio High School.

He married Geneva Ricks May 13, 1995 in Rochester.

Survivors include his wife, Geneva of Mesa, Ariz.; three daughters: Kristy, Kelly, and Kisha all of Toronto, Ohio; nine grandchildren; eight nephews; two step-sons: Greg and Doug Deon; and a step-daughter Tracey Deon.

His father and step-mother Bill and Petie Bickerstaff survive as well along with a sister Debbie Hesler and Dave Roush; two brothers: Dan and Cindy Bickerstaff of Valparaiso, and John and Gloria Bickerstaff of Three Oaks, Mich.

Doug was preceded in death by his mother Dorothy.

A memorial service will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 27, 2008 in the chapel at New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home is assisting with local arrangements.

Robert “Bob” D. Campbell  Date of Death 9/9/2008

ARGOS — Robert “Bob” D. Campbell, 43, of 322 Fremont St., Argos, passed away at 8:08 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 9, 2008, at his mother’s home, in Argos.

Bob was born on July 28, 1965, in Hazard, Ky., to Bobby Dean and Shirley (Miller) Campbell Vires. Bob married Connie Allen and together they had three children. Bob was employed by Mike’s Construction, in Argos. He proudly served his country in the United States Army.

Bob is survived by his mother and step-father, Shirley and Ewen Vires of Argos; his children, Kayla Renee Campbell of Argos, Kasey Marie Campbell of Argos, and Bobbie Justine Campbell of Louisiana; his brothers and sisters, Michael (Julie) Campbell of Argos, Tammy (Vires) and Jeff Sneed of Bourbon, Ewen Joseph Vires of Argos, Jennifer (Vires) and Chad Conley of Plymouth, and Stephen Vires of Argos; and his granddaughter, McKenzie Jo Lawton.

Bob was preceded in death by his father, Bobby Dean Campbell and his brother, Anthony Campbell.

Memorial services will be held Saturday, Sept. 13, 2008, at the Plymouth Church of Jesus Christ, 12th Road, Plymouth, at 1 p.m., with the Rev. Olan Howard officiating.

Visitation will be from noon to 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 13, 2008, at the Plymouth Church of Jesus Christ.

Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, IN 46563, is handling the
Lora Lowe Olmsted  Date of Death 9/9/2008

ROCHESTER — Lora Lowe Olmsted, 84, of Rochester, died at 8:25 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 9, 2008 at Life Care Center of Rochester.

She is survived by her husband, Don Olmsted of Rochester; son, Stephen (Susan) Olmsted of Rochester; daughter-in-law, Bonnie Olmsted; five grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and a brother, Warren Lowe of Hiawatha, Kan.

Visitation is Friday, Sept. 12 from 4 to 8 p.m. in the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.
Funeral services are Saturday, Sept. 13 at 10 a.m. in the Church of the Nazarene, Rochester.
Burial will be at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Frank Poor  Date of Death 9/9/2008

CULVER — Frank Poor, 87, of Culver, died Tuesday, Sept. 9, 2008 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

He is survived his companion, Mary Garrison of Culver; nephews: Theodore Poor of Michigan and Arthur Poor of Plymouth; and niece, Bonnie O’Donnell of Winamac.

There will be no services.

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

Lucille M. Cortez  Date of Death 9/12/2008

PLYMOUTH — Lucille M. Cortez, 71, a Plymouth resident since 2004, coming from Midlothian, Ill., died following an illness, at 2:24 a.m. on Friday, Sept. 12, 2008, at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Lucille was born in French Lick, Ind., March 3, 1937. She was the daughter of Fred and Genieve Pinnick. Genieve’s maiden name was Anderson.

She attended Thorton High School in Harvey, Ill.


She had worked at Nabisco Foods in Chicago and later for White Castle in Midlothian, Ill. Lucille loved to play Bingo and spend time with her family.

She was a member of the Midlothian Methodist Church.

Lucille is survived by two daughters: Marie Clark of Plymouth and Janet (William Jr.) Pietsch of Culver.

Two granddaughters, Jessica R. Pietsch and Rachel C. Pietsch, both of Culver, and a grandson, Ryan S. Clark of Plymouth, survive as well.

Three sisters also survive Lucille. They are Erma Lindeman, El Sobrante, Calif., Janet Stofferahm, French Lick and Beverly Williams, Midlothian, Ill.
Lucille was preceded in death by her parents and by her husband.

Friends are invited to share memories of Lucille with her family Thursday, Sept. 18, 2008, from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., E.S.T. and Friday, Sept. 19, after 7 a.m., at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Lucille will be held at 10 a.m., E.S.T., in the funeral home on Friday, Sept. 19, 2008, following visitation.

Additional services will be at noon, C.S.T. Friday, Sept. 19, 2008, at Skyline Memorial Park, Monee, Ill.

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

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

Diana Lynn Winegardner Dodson  Date of Death 9/12/2008

Diana Lynn Winegardner Dodson, 53, of Logansport passed away at 2 p.m. Friday, Sept., 12, 2008, at her mother's residence. She was born Nov. 26, 1954, in Logansport to Harold Winegardner and Alma (Albrecht) Winegardner. She was married to Dale Dodson, who survives in Plymouth.

A 1973 graduate of Logansport High School, Diana was a member of All Saints Catholic Church. She had been a substitute teacher for two years in the Plymouth School Corporation. She enjoyed spending time with her son and his activities, and painting with watercolors.

She is also survived by her mother, Alma Winegardner of Logansport; her father, Harold Winegardner of Logansport; son, Drew Dodson; stepsons: Dean Dodson, Derrick Dodson and Dirk Dodson; brothers: Kenneth (Barbara) Winegardner and Edward (Marie) Winegardner, all of Logansport; sister, Elizabeth (Ronald) Eurit of Flora; several nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, and cousins also survive.

Visitation is Wednesday, Sept. 17 from 9 to 10:30 a.m. at Kroeger Funeral Home, 711 E. Market St., Logansport. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday at All Saints Catholic Church with Father Jeff Martin officiating. Burial will be at Metea Baptist Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Guardian Angel Hospice or Riley Hospital for Children.

Condolences may be placed online at kroegerfuneralhome.com

Robert W. Johnson  Date of Death 9/12/2008

KOONTZ LAKE — Robert W. Johnson, 92, passed away Friday, Sept. 12, 2008 at 10 p.m. at his residence.

Mr. Johnson was born Jan. 22, 1916 in Chicago, to Eric and Ellen (Andersen) Johnson and lived in the Koontz Lake area most of his life.

On Sept. 28, 1940 in South Bend, he was married to Elizabeth Williams, who preceded him in death. He was also preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Eric Johnson.

Survivors include: one daughter, Bonnie (Ed) Shea of Noblesville; one son, Don (Diane) Johnson of Koontz Lake; four grandchildren, Elin (Ryan) Fair of Mishawaka, Britta Johnson of Carmel, Megin Shea of North Salem and Kathy (Charlie) Glass of Noblesville, and two great-grandchildren.
Mr. Johnson was the former owner and operator of Johnson Insurance Agency of Koontz Lake and retired from the agency in 1972. He also retired from Associates Investment Company of South Bend in 1958.

He was a lifetime member of the Walkerton Masonic Lodge #619 F&AM and a member of the South Bend Valley of Scottish Rite.

Friends may call Monday, Sept. 15 from 11 a.m. EDT until the time of services at 1 p.m. Eastern Time in Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel.

Burial will be at the Grovertown Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to VNA Hospice of LaPorte County

Neil L. Chase  Date of Death 9/13/2008

PLYMOUTH – Longtime businessman and community leader, Neil L. Chase, 92, died of natural causes at 10:20 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 13, 2008, at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Neil had said that the thing that he was the proudest of in his 92 years was that all of his four kids went to college of their own choosing – and all graduated. “They were the first in my family to do so.”

Neil was born in Marshall County on April 2, 1916. He was the son of Lorie and Effie Sarber Chase. Siblings George Chase and Geraldine Barnes have preceded Neil in death.

A 1934 graduate of Tyner High School, where he lettered in basketball and baseball, he helped his dad on the Polk township farm, raising dairy cattle, chickens and turkeys.

He met his lifelong sweetheart, Dorothy Roelke, in high school. They were married in February of 1940, in the Evangelical United Brethren Church in Teegarden.

Neil’s dad sent him to Purdue University to study forestry. He first worked as a typist with Associates Investment Corp., in South Bend. After two years he was transferred to a branch of the company in Birmingham, Ala.

He took along with him, his bride. They stayed for six months before moving to Culver where Neil bought a milk route.

In 1943, he sold the route, became a first-time father and was drafted into the Army and trained as a Medic. He was deployed to New Hebrides where he joined the 27th Division and went on to New Caledonia, Okinawa and Japan. He was part of the occupation troops in Japan before his discharge as a Staff Sergeant in January of 1946.

After 18 months working as a window teller in the State Exchange Bank in Culver, Neil, tired of being inside, found another milk route hauling milk into Warsaw and Gary until 1955.

That year, he sold out and bought four semi-tractors and four trailers and created Neil Chase Trucking, which later became Chase Leasing.

Sometimes Neil would drive the loads.

In Culver, they enjoyed, with family and friends, the beautiful surroundings of Lake Maxinkuckee. The couple also loved traveling with friends and spent eight winters in the Sebring, Florida area.

He was a member of the Plymouth-Kilwinning Masonic Lodge No. 149 and the Trinity United Methodist Church in Plymouth, where he had served as a Trustee.
Neil is survived by his two sons and twin daughters.

His sons and families are: Larry N. and Sue Chase, Valrico, Florida and Dan and Connie Chase, Euless, Texas. His daughters and families are: Jeanine I. and Jerry Holderead, Marion, and Jeanette E. Frick, of South Bend.

Seven grandchildren survive along with their families, including five great-grandsons. They are Barry and Linda Chase with sons: Peter, Graham and Benjamin; Doug and Ginny Chase with sons: Andrew and Ethan; Melinda Chase; Brad and Sabrina Frick; Alisha and John Morgan, Lisa Holderead and Marc and Ashley Holderead.

Neil’s beloved wife, Dorothy, died in December of 2006.

Friends are invited to visit with the family and share their memories of Neil from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19, 2008, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

A Masonic memorial rite will be held at 7:30 p.m. Friday in the funeral home.

Funeral services for Neil will be held in the Trinity United Methodist Church, 425 S. Michigan St., Plymouth, at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 20, 2008, with calling for one hour prior to services. The Rev. Kerry O’Brien, and a cousin, the Rev. Paul Nye, will officiate.

Military graveside honors will be accorded Neil by members of the Plymouth American Legion Post 27 with burial to follow in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorials in Neil’s name may be made to the Trinity United Methodist Church or to a charity of the donor’s choice.

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

Bobbie A. Bryan  Date of Death 9/14/2008


Survivors include: his wife, Plina of Jackson, Ky.; daughter, Lisa (Robert) Sanyet of Valparaiso; sons: David (Carol) of Elkhart and Michael (Karen) of Valparaiso; six grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren and one brother, Bill (Alice) Bryan of Elizabethtown, Ill.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, Sept. 17 at 1 p.m. CDT at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel. Visitation is Wednesday at the funeral home after 11 a.m. CDT until the time of services.

Annie Garrison  Date of Death 9/14/2008

PLYMOUTH — Annie Garrison, 78, of Plymouth, died at 4:03 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 14, 2008 at home.

She is survived by a daughter, Julie (Lance) Parkinson of Norman, Okla.; sons: Joe (Ricki) Garrison of Plymouth and Eli (Netta) Garrison of Seattle, Wash.; two grandchildren; and brothers: Vic Goze of Grovertown and George Goze of Logansport.

Visitation is Tuesday, Sept. 16 from 5 to 8 p.m. and Wednesday, Sept. 17 after 7 a.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth. Funeral services are Wednesday, Sept. 17 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at the Grovertown Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care.
AVON — Plymouth native, Craig E. Woolfington, 41, a resident of the Indianapolis/Avon area for the past several years, died, following a brave fight against melanoma cancer, at 9:50 p.m. on Monday evening, Sept. 15, 2008, in the Simon Cancer Center - Indiana University Hospital, Indianapolis.

His enduring strength and courage, his love of life and people touched the lives of all who knew him.

Craig was born in Plymouth, the son of Plymouth residents Michael C. and Jane M. (McCarty) Woolfington, on July 28, 1967.

A varsity basketball player with the Plymouth Pilgrims, he graduated from Plymouth High School with the class of 1986 and from Purdue University.

On Aug. 28, 2004, Craig and Trina Ann Hawley were married in Plymouth.

Craig was the Director of Sales with General Hotels in Indianapolis.

He loved golf, following Purdue football and basketball and playing Fantasy Sports. Most of all he enjoyed eating popcorn with his two-year-old daughter, Kate.

Craig was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Plymouth; the Plymouth-Kilwinning Lodge #149, F. & A.M.; the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite-Valley of St. Joe, South Bend; Indiana Society of Association Executives; the Society of Governmental Meeting Planners and Meeting Planners International.

Craig’s courage and determination to live was an inspiration to his family and friends.

He is survived by his loving wife, Trina, and their daughter, Kate, both of Avon; and by his parents, Mike and Jane, and two sisters: Chris (Jim) Cochern and their children Emily, Lily and Daniel Cochern, all of Plymouth and Lynette Espich, South Bend, and her children: Ashley Gray and Ryan (Amanda) Gray, all of Plymouth.

A great-niece, Emma Konefsky, Plymouth, his in-laws; Terry and Rick Teverbaugh of Mooresville, and Tim and Bobbi Hawley of Noblesville also survive along with several aunts, uncles, cousins and many friends.

Craig was preceded in death by his grandparents: Aileen and Gene Woolfington and Ruth and Robert McCarty.

Friends will be welcomed by the family Saturday, Sept. 20, 2008, from 3 to 8 p.m. in the Johnson Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

A Masonic memorial rite will be held at 8 p.m. Saturday in the funeral home.

Funeral services for Craig will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21, 2008, in the First United Methodist Church, 400 N. Michigan St., Plymouth with visitation one hour prior to services.

The Rev. Dr. Dean Fager and Pastor Matt Puckett, both of First United Methodist Church, together with Pastor Judy Fuller of the Daleville United Methodist Church will officiate.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

As an expression of sympathy, those wishing to remember Craig may do so with a gift to the Kate Woolfington Education Trust Fund. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home, church
Tom Gunterman  Date of Death 9/16/2008


A lifetime area resident, Tom was the founder and owner of Bremen Insulated Wire. He graduated from Lakeville High School in 1950. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army and a member of First United Church of Christ in Bremen, Bremen American Legion Post #191, former Bremen Police Commissioner, and former Bremen School Board Member.

Survivors include his wife, Joanie Gunterman of Bremen; two daughters: LuAnn (Robert) Kolbe of Bremen and Amy Gunterman of Indianapolis; one son, Kelly (Joan) Gunterman of Vermont; four grandchildren: Tom (Antoinette) Kolbe of Tampa, Grant Kolbe of Bremen, Brynne (Jim) Scollon of Mishawaka and Ashley Kolbe of Bremen; and one great-grandchild, Donovan Kolbe of Tampa.

He was preceded in death by three sisters: Virginia Drudge, Lottie Watkins and Julaine Keck; and one grandson, Mitchell Kolbe.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 20 at First United Church of Christ in Bremen. Pastor Ron Liechty will officiate. Burial will take place at Bremen Cemetery. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19, 2008, at Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen.

Memorial contributions may be made to Community Hospital of Bremen or the American Heart Association.

The Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen is assisting the family with arrangements. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.mishlerfuneralhomes.com

Brian D. Elkins  Date of Death 9/17/2008

WALKERTON — Brian D. Elkins, 26, of Walkerton, died Wednesday, Sept. 17, 2008 in South Bend.

He is survived by his daughter, Brianna Elkins of Bremen; parents, John and Teresa Elkins of Walkerton; and sister, Dawn Elkins of Largo, Fla.

Graveside services will be Tuesday, Sept. 23 at 1 p.m. in Woodlawn Cemetery, Walkerton. Nusbaum-Elkin Funeral Home, Walkerton, is handling the arrangements.

Memorials may be made to the family in care of the funeral home.

Mary "Jeanette" Hammes  Date of Death 9/17/2008

MARENGO — Mary “Jeanette” Hammes, 86, of Marengo, formerly of Plymouth, died at 5:15 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 17, 2008 at St. Vincent Hospice, Indianapolis.

She is survived by daughters: Teresa (James) Duerk of Cleveland, Ohio, Dorothy (Danny) Hutslar of Phoenix, Ariz. and Jane Hammes and Cliford Harvey of Indianapolis; sons: Philip (Royann) Hammes of Indianapolis and Gerald Hammes of Marengo; sisters: Iona Desutels, Sylvia Roehm, Doris Albrecht, Peggy McNeish, Patty Hebior and Rose Hammel; and brothers:
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Dick Hiss, James Hiss and John Hiss.

Visitation is Friday, Sept. 19 from 5 to 7 p.m. and Saturday, Sept. 20 from 1 to 2:30 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, Plymouth. A rosary will be recited Friday at 7 p.m. at the funeral home. A funeral mass will be held Saturday, Sept. 20 at 3 p.m. at St. Michael Catholic Church, Plymouth. Burial will be at St. Michael Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the donor’s choice.

Travis Dayne Roush Date of Death 9/17/2008

Travis Dayne Roush, 2 day old infant, of Bristol died Wednesday, Sept. 17, 2008 at Memorial Hospital, South Bend.

He is survived by his parents, Denise Lynette Roush and Juels Daniel Morvant.

A private family graveside service was held at Tyner Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the family through the funeral home.

Arrangements were handled by Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth.

Ester Darline “Sis” Shepherd Date of Death 9/18/2008

ROCHESTER — Ester Darline “Sis” Shepherd, 56, of Rochester, died Thursday, Sept. 18, 2008 at home.

She is survived by her husband, Randy Shepherd of Rochester; son, Travis Dail of Rochester; brothers: LeRoy Karn of Delong, Eugene Karn of South Bend and Darvin Karn of Florida; and sister, Patricia Kuykendoll of Delong.

Visitation is Sunday, Sept. 21 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, and one hour prior to the service Monday. Funeral services are Monday, Sept. 22 at 1 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at the Culver Masonic Cemetery.

Leslie Cable Date of Death 9/19/2008

WALKERTON — Leslie Cable, 60, of Walkerton, passed away Friday, Sept. 19, 2008 in his home. Les was born Aug. 28, 1948 in LaPorte to Lloyd and Elmee (Johnson) Cable and lived his life in the Walkerton area. On April 12, 1986, at Koontz Lake, he was married to the former Pamela Schaunaman, who survives. Also surviving are: two daughters, Jessica (Chad) Allen and Heather (Keegan) Rauen, all of North Liberty; one grandson, Ashtyn Cable; two step-grandsons: Tarren Rauen and Cassidy Allen; one sister, Barbara (LeRoy) Skiles of Walkerton and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Les was a former employee of NIPSCO in Rolling Prairie, retiring in 2004 after 37 years of service. He was a U.S. Army veteran, serving in the 4th/64th Division and the 603rd Transportation Division. He loved working on Chevy Novas and watching NASCAR races. He also loved spending time with his family.

Funeral services will be Tuesday at 11 a.m. Eastern Time at the Koontz Lake Missionary Church with Pastor Brian Baughman officiating. Burial will be in the Woodlawn Cemetery, Walkerton, where military graveside services will be conducted. Friends called Monday from 4 to 9 p.m. EDT at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel and Tuesday at the church after 10 a.m.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Koontz Lake Missionary Church or the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care of South Bend. The family wishes to thank the St. Joseph County VNA and the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care.
Harold E. Fritter  Date of Death 9/20/2008

PLYMOUTH — Harold E. Fritter, 63, of 1460 Menominee, Plymouth, passed away Saturday, Sept. 20, 2008, at his home, after a long three-year battle with cancer.

He was born Nov. 27, 1944, in Warren County, Indiana, to John and Mildred (Bowles) Fritter. Harold and Diana Sue Tanner were married on Aug. 25, 1963, and recently celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary. Harold worked at the Bethlehem Steel Mills, in Gary, Indiana, for 34 years. He retired at the age of 58.

He loved antique cars, fishing, and hunting, but most of all, he loved spending time with his family. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

Harold is survived by his wife, Diana; their daughters, Laura Holdread of Plymouth, Lisa and (Joe) Gibson of Plymouth, and Marie and (Gus) Springman of Plymouth; their son, Johnny and (Karen) Fritter of Culver; his mother, Mildred Fritter; his sisters, Virginia Hummel, Peggy Amor, and Susan and (John) Drews; and his brothers, Lee Fritter and Bill Fritter. He was preceded in death by his father, John Fritter; and his sister, Donna Jacobs.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, Sept. 25, 2008, at 10:30 a.m., at the Van Gilder Funeral Home in Plymouth. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

A time of visiting with the family and sharing memories of Harold, will be on Wednesday, Sept. 24, 2008, from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, Indiana, 46563.

Memorial contributions may 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 Fritter family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com

Riley Roger Bailey  Date of Death 9/21/2008

NORTH JUDSON — Riley Roger Bailey, 60, of North Judson, died Sunday, Sept. 21, 2008 at home.

He is survived by his wife, Brenda Bailey of Knox; mother, Irene Bailey of Knox; sons: Roger (Jo Ann) Bailey of Rensselaer, Richard (Candy) Bailey of Culver and Rusty (Misty) Bailey of Knox; sisters: Dorothy Ludwig of Grovertown, Delores Hollinger of Koontz Lake and Carol Corey of Knox; and seven grandchildren.

Visitation is Wednesday, Sept. 24 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Braman & Son Memorial Chapel, Knox. Funeral services are Wednesday at 1 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at Round Lake Cemetery

Craig E. Wolfington  Date of Death 9/21/2008

AVON — Funeral services for Craig E. Woolfington, 41, former Plymouth resident, will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21 in the First United Methodist Church, 400 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Visitation is from 3 to 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20 in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth and on Sunday one hour prior to services in the church.
Preferred are memorial gifts to the Kate Woolfington Education Trust Fund. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home, church or may be mailed c/o 8638 Holm Mountain Circle, Avon, IN 46123.

Walter “Wade” Wyatt  Date of Death 9/21/2008

PLYMOUTH — Walter “Wade” Wyatt, 96, died Sunday, Sept. 21, 2008 at Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth.

He is survived by a daughter, Lynn (Al) Hartman of Plymouth; and stepdaughters: Toni (Dave) Parsons of Plymouth and Chris (Moe) Conn of Kentucky.

Visitation is Saturday, Sept. 27 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth. Funeral services are Saturday at 1 p.m. at the funeral home. Military honors will be accorded him by the Plymouth American Legion Post 27.

PLYMOUTH – Walter “Wade” Wyatt, 96, 10320 Pretty Lake Trail, died of natural causes in Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth, at 9:45 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 21, 2008.

His kindness, wit and generosity of spirit endeared Wade to everyone who knew him.

His trademark was his red socks. No matter what other colors he was wearing, red socks gave him his jaunty look and complemented his engaging smile.

Born to Walter and Nola Conlee Wyatt on July 21, 1912, in Ina, Illinois, Wade graduated from Roosevelt High School in East Chicago, Ind., with the class of 1930. He worked for a time for the Empire Oil Co. as a steam fitter’s helper and later at city Service, both in East Chicago.

Married in 1933, to Kay, his high school sweetheart, the couple, after a short stint in west Texas, moved to Bourbon, where Wade worked for the New Way Lumber Co.

In the early months of 1944, Wade joined the United States Marine Corps and served in the Pacific Theater with MAG 25, the Marine Air Group, flying transport planes.

A decorated veteran, he was honorably discharged in June of 1946.

Wade managed, for more than 20 years, the Bourbon Lumber and Coal Company. In 1960, he went on the road for the Freed Wholesale Lumber Company. In 1974, at the age of 62, he retired.

For one year. He said that “one year of playing solitaire was enough.”

For the next 22 years he worked as a salesman and quality control officer for Shamrock Homes in Plymouth. Up until his 86th birthday, he still went into the office part time.


A great card player and fantastic golfer, Wade belonged to the Moose Lodge, the VFW, and the American Legion. He was the oldest member of the Plymouth Country Club and at the age of 85, had been crowned the senior champion in a golf tournament, besting men players in their 50’s, 60’s and 70’s.

Wade is survived by his daughter and son-in-law, Lynn and Al Hartman, Plymouth and by two grandsons: Chad (Sherry) Rapp, Bourbon and Matthew (Sheri) Rapp, and two great-grandsons: Ryan Rapp of Bourbon, and Trenton Rapp of Warsaw.

Step-daughters Toni (Dave) Parsons and Chris (Moe) Conn, two step-granddaughters Emma of Muncie and Tessa Parsons of Plymouth, and two step-grandsons, Tony Hartman, Elkhart, and Bill (Missy) Hartman, Warsaw, survive as well.
Step-great-grandchildren, Julie and Sydney Hartman, and Trevor Delacruz, all of Warsaw, Angela Overmeyer, Atwood, and four step great-great grandchildren also survive, they are Mady, Abby, Sydney, and Alex Overmeyer all of Atwood.

Wade was preceded in death by his parents, his wives, Kay and Dee and two brothers: James and Conlee.

Friends will be welcomed by his family with the sharing of memories of Wade from 11 to 1 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 27, 2008, at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Memorial service for Wade will follow the visitation at 1 p.m. The Rev. Dr. Dean Fager of the First United Methodist Church will officiate.

Military Honors will be presented to Wade by the Plymouth American Legion Post 27.

Memorial gifts in Wade’s memory may be made to the Plymouth Country Club Tree Fund.

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

Donald R. Bottorff  Date of Death 9/22/2008

PLYMOUTH — Donald R. Bottorff, 86, of 9662 Redwood Road, Plymouth, passed away Monday, Sept. 22, 2008, at 2 a.m. at his home, with his family by his side.

He was born on Aug. 13, 1922, in South Bend to Burt and Carrie (Sullivan) Bottorff. Donald Bottorff and Mary Hughes were married on May 14, 1944, in South Bend. He drove a truck for Syler Seed Company, for 21 years, and also drove for the Fulton-Marshall County Co-op, for 10 years. He drove a 1965 Mack truck and you could hear him coming from miles away. He also loved to spend time gardening.

Don is survived by his wife, Mary; their daughter, Carol Schaefer of Plymouth; their sons: Don and Janita Bottorff of Knox, Richard Bottorff of Plymouth, and Charles Bottorff of Plymouth; his sister, Louise Hughes of Plymouth; six grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his son, Carl Bottorff, who passed away on April 19, 1990; and his son-in-law and “great buddy”, Tom Schaefer, who passed away on Oct. 29, 2001.

Funeral services will be held Friday, Sept. 26, 2008, at 10:30 a.m., at the Van Gilder Funeral Home in Plymouth. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Friends may visit with the Bottorff family on Thursday, Sept. 25, 2008, from 4 to 7 p.m., at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

The family would like for memorial contributions to be given to the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, 112 S. Center St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

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

Lester L. Parris  Date of Death 9/22/2008

PLYMOUTH — Lester L. Parris, 48, of Plymouth, died Monday, Sept. 22, 2008 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

He is survived by his stepdaughters: Tanya Pine of Rochester, Tina Rhoads of Plymouth, Cheryl Bowyer of Mentone, Rebecca Trayer of Martinsburg, W. Va., Lori Whittington of Dayton, Tenn. And Peggy Guzzo of Plymouth; stepsons: Jamie Guzzo of Rochester and Thomas Guzzo Jr. of
Harley Max Bradbury  Date of Death 9/23/2008

WARSAW — Harley Max Bradbury, 84, died Tuesday, Sept. 23, 2008 at 12:55 a.m. at Miller’s Merry Manor, Warsaw.

He is survived by a brother, Donald (Chris) Bradbury of Elkhart; and sister, Juanita Alexander of Atwood.

Visitation is Thursday, Sept. 25 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Titus Funeral Home, Warsaw. Funeral services are Thursday, Sept. 25 at 1 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at Tippecanoe Cemetery, Bourbon.

Memorials may be made to the donor’s choice.

Florence “Rita” Daniels  Date of Death 9/23/2008

PLYMOUTH — Florence “Rita” Daniels, 88, of Plymouth, died at 6:10 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 23, 2008, at Miller’s Merry Manor, in Plymouth.

She is survived by her daughter, Trish Mazin of Plymouth; two grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; her sister; and her brother.

There will be no services.

Memorial contributions may be given to the donor’s choice.

Max Eldon Fribley  Date of Death 9/23/2008

WARSAW — Max Eldon Fribley, 85, of Warsaw, died at 9:12 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 23, 2008 at Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw.

He is survived by his wife, Barbara Fribley of Warsaw; daughter, Susan (Don) Plank of Silver Lake; sons: Fred Fribley of Warsaw and Scott (Wendy) Fribley of Warsaw; 10 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

A private family viewing will be held. A graveside service will be held Thursday, Sept. 25 at 11 a.m. at Oakwood Cemetery, Warsaw. Military rites will be conducted by the Warsaw American Legion #49 and VFW #1126.

Memorials may be made to the American Diabetes Association, 30 N. Michigan Ave., Suite 2015, Chicago, IL 60602.

Evelyn Kovaly  Date of Death 9/23/2008

PLYMOUTH — Evelyn Kovaly, 90, of Plymouth, formerly of Clifton, N.J. and Palm Bay, Fla., died at 11:45 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 23, 2008, in Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth.

She is survived by her son, Robert (Karen) Kovaly of Palm Coast, Fla.; daughter, Muriel (Steve) Martin, of Argos; and three grandchildren.
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Visitation is Saturday, Sept. 27 from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth. A memorial service will be held immediately following at 8 p.m.

Interment will be held at a later date in Cedar Lawn Cemetery, Paterson, N.J.

Memorial gifts may be made to the Marshall County Humane Society or The Center for Hospice and Palliative Care.

Stephen Ramer  Date of Death 9/23/2008

ROCHESTER — Stephen Ramer, 10, of Rochester, died at 9:35 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 23, 2008 at home.

He is survived by his parents, Luke and Verna Ramer; sisters: Lora Ramer and Lucy Ramer; brothers: Leonard Ramer and Floyd Ramer; maternal grandparents: John and Helen Imhoff of Holland, Ky.; paternal grandparents: Ben and Verna Ramer of Rochester; and paternal great-grandparents, Christian and Lydia Weaver of Goshen.

Visitation is Wednesday, Sept. 24 from 1 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. and Thursday, Sept. 25 from to 1 to 6 p.m. in the family home at 7968 N. 350 E., Rochester. Funeral services are Friday, Sept. 26 at the Tippecanoe Old Order Mennonite Church, Newcastle Township, Fulton County.

The Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, is in charge of the arrangements.

Bertha Awald Shores  Date of Death 9/23/2008

WALKERTON — Bertha Awald Shores, 87, died Tuesday, Sept. 23, 2008 in LaPorte.

Survivors include four sons: Peter (Karen) Awald, Timothy (Sue) Awald, Daniel (Mary Ann) Awald, all of Koontz Lake and Mark Awald; eight grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Private funeral services will be held at a later date at Rannels Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Walkerton United Pentecostal Church, 1174 Lake St., Walkerton, IN 46574.

Jane John  Date of Death 9/24/2008

BRADENTON, Fla. — Former Plymouth resident, Jane John, 93, passed away, September 24, in Bradenton, Fla.

She was born April 21, 1915, in Bremen, Indiana to Charles N. and Lucinda Jane (Arnold) Hiester.


The Johns were former members of the First Presbyterian Church. Jane was a long time hairdresser in Plymouth, and along with her husband they operated John’s Beauty Shop on Shalley Drive for 40 years. They retired to Bradenton, Fla. in 1986.

Survivors include her two daughters, Karen (Bud) Morgan, Tulsa, Oklahoma, Janis (Dr, John) Petstcher, Madison, Ind., seven grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Also surviving are three sisters and one brother; Berniel (William) Butler, Niles Michigan, Gretchen (Dean) Kimble, Bremen, Lana Huff, Indianapolis, Wendell Hiester, Saginaw, Mich., and a sister-in-law, Virginia (Ralph) Lechlitner.
Four brothers preceded her in death, Arthur, Woodrow, Robert, and Mahlon Hiester.

Services will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 8 at 1 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth where friends may call on Tuesday, Oct. 7 from 5 – 7 p.m. and again one hour prior to services. The Rev. Paul Nye will officiate.

Entombment will follow in the New Oakhill Mausoleum, Plymouth.

Memorial contributions may be made to a Hospice or Alzheimer’s Association.

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

Larry George Ruth  Date of Death 9/26/2008

PLYMOUTH — Larry George Ruth, 63, of Plymouth, passed away at 12:07 a.m. Friday, Sept. 26, 2008 in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, South Bend. He was born Nov. 9, 1944 in Galion, Ohio to the late George and Rebecca (Bowman) Ruth.

Mr. Ruth is survived by daughter, Lori Zumbro of Galion, Ohio; son, Sean (T.J. Patterson) Ruth of Williamsport, Ohio; two step daughters: Shelly (Chad) Locke of Stockport, Ohio and Kelly (Matt) Boyd of McConnelsville, Ohio; 13 grandchildren: Taylor, Evan, Austin, and Ian Zumbro, Cody Schmitzer, Laney Patterson, Kelsie, Jimmy, Carter and Gavin Locke and Amber, Ashley and Austin Boyd; and brother, Dennis (Tish) Ruth of Galion, Ohio.

Mr. Ruth moved to Indiana in 1989. He served honorably in the United States Army. Mr. Ruth was currently doing millwork at Lowe’s in Plymouth. He was a purchasing director for several window companies including Rockwell Windows for many years.

Visitation will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 1, 2008 in the Palmer Funeral Home, 314 S. Michigan St., Lakeville. Funeral services will be held at 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 4, 2008 in the Schneider Funeral Home, 303 Portland Way North, Galion, Ohio. Friends may visit with the family from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday before the services.

Contributions may be made to the National Rifle Association, NRA Office of Advancement, 11250 Waples Mill Road, Fairfax, VA 22030 or American Heart Association, 3816 Payshere Circle, Chicago, IL 60674. Online condolences may be made to www.palmerfuneralhomes.com

This is a man who puts his family first, a man who lets his children see his love and hear his pride…
This is a friend to count on and believe in, to listen to and learn from…
This is a Dad and Grandpa to look up to and live up to every day of your life…
This is a man…
This is a friend…
This is a Dad and Grandpa…
This is you.

Kim L. Cole  Date of Death 9/27/2008

ARGOS – Kim L. Cole, 48, 326 Indiana Ave., Argos, died of natural causes in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth, at 3:48 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 27, 2008.

Kim was born in Midland, Mich., on Feb. 26, 1960, the son of Willard Sr. and Gracie Allen Cole.
On Nov. 28, 1981, in Bourbon, Kim and Beverly Helton were married.

Kim worked at Topp Industries as a pipefitter and his wife owned K&B Antiques in Argos.

He was the type of person who always put others before himself and he had many friends. Kim loved to play with his dog, Woody.

He enjoyed going to auctions and flea markets and was a devoted fisherman.

Kim is survived by his wife of almost 27 years and by their son: Kevin Cole of Bossier, City, La., and his step-son, Dennis Helton of Plymouth.

His mother, Gracie Cole and Gretta Anderson, a sister, both of Plymouth and a brother, Will (Kim) Cole of White Hall, Mich., also survive, together with numerous aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

Kim was preceded in death by his father, Willard and Tim, a brother.

Funeral services will be private.

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

Memorial donations in Kim’s memory 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

Willard Jay “Bill” Jaarda Date of Death 9/27/2008

PLYMOUTH — Willard Jay “Bill” Jaarda, 80, died Saturday, Sept. 27, 2008 of natural causes.

Surviving with his wife, MaryBeth Granning Jaarda, is a son and family, Brian J. (Nelda) Jaarda of South Bend and children Michael B. (Amber) Jaarda of Osceola and Nicole (Robert) Wright of Mishawaka; and six great-grandchildren: Bethani, Samantha, Christopher, Caleb, Clarke and Collins.

A sister, Lorriane Palmer of Holland survives with many nieces and nephews.

Visitation is Tuesday, Sept. 30 from 5 to 8 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St. Plymouth and after 7 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 1 until time of services at 1 p.m. in the funeral home.

Burial will follow in the Memorial Garden of New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

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

Words of condolence may be shared with the family through the funeral home Web site at: www.johnson-danielson.com .

Everett R. Shirar Date of Death 9/27/2008

Everett R. Shirar, 89, died at Crockett Hospital in Lawrenceburg, Tenn. Saturday, Sept. 27, 2008.

Survivors include his wife, Wilma (Duncan) of Lawrenceburg, Tenn.; son, George (Anita) Shirar of Lexington, Ky.; daughters: Cynthia (Robert) Gerard of Ft. Wayne and Cathy (John) Videne, of Leoma, Tenn.; and four grandchildren.
A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 25, 2008, at the New Oak Hill Cemetery Chapel, Plymouth, with calling one hour prior.

Burrill E. Whitmer, 91, died Saturday at the Life Care Center of Rochester.

Interment will be in Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorials may be made to The Gideons International or Indiana Wesleyan University.

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

Robert A. Skinner  Date of Death 9/27/2008

ARGOS — Robert A. Skinner, 55, died Saturday at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

He is survived by his wife, Juanita Kuchel; his parents: George Hamlin of Calif. and Johanna Coleman of Union Mills; two sons: Bill Robison of Tyner and Jason “Skinny” Skinner of Frankfort, Ky.; two grandchildren; five sisters: Karen Ross of Colorado, Johanna Coleman of Union Mills, Allison Coleman of Valparaiso, Robbie Coleman of LaPorte and Althea Tolman of Union Mills.

Visitation will take place Wednesday, Oct. 1 from 9 a.m. until the memorial service at 2 p.m. (CT) at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given to the family.

Robert L. Denton  Date of Death 9/28/2008

KEWANNA — Robert L. Denton, 82, of Kewanna, died at 2:26 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28, 2008 at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

He is survived by sisters: Virginia "Sis" Heady of Rochester, Julia Wagner of Green Bay, Wis. and June Anne Carson of Everett, Wash.

Private family services were held at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Polly Berniece Miller  Date of Death 9/28/2008

WAKARUSA — Polly Berniece Miller, 98, of Miller’s Merry Manor, Wakarusa, formerly of Nappanee, died Sunday, Sept. 28, 2008 at 10:04 p.m. at Elkhart General Hospital.

She is survived by daughters: Mildred (Lester) Bollenbacher of Bremen, Betty (Robert) Whitmer of Nappanee, Thelma (Jerry) Neff of Nappanee, Carolyn (Roy) Weldy of Nappanee, and Irene (Dick) Carrick of Goshen; sons: David Miller of Nappanee, Larry Miller of Nappanee, Jerry (Nancy) Miller of Bremen and Steven Miller of Nappanee; son-in-law, David Bone; 31 grandchildren; 47 great-grandchildren; 17 great-great-grandchildren; and sister, Carrie Seiss of Muncie.

Visitation is Wednesday, Oct. 1 from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee, and one hour prior to services Thursday at the church. Funeral services are Thursday, Oct. 2 at 10:30 a.m. at the Nappanee Church of the Brethren. Burial will be at the Bremen Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Nappanee Church of the Brethren or the donor’s choice.

Pat Shriver  Date of Death 9/28/2008

AKRON — Pat Shriver, 78, of Rochester, died at 9:14 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28, 2008 at Life Care Center of Rochester.
She is survived by her husband, Glenn D. Shriver; three grandchildren; and son-in-law, Ron Shinn of Phoenix, Ariz.

Visitation is Thursday, Oct. 2 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, Oct. 3 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Alzheimer’s Foundation, Fulton County Cancer Society or to Hope Hospice of Fulton County.

Jeanette Baker  Date of Death 9/29/2008

WINONA LAKE — Jeanette Baker, 88, of Grace Village Retirement Community, Winona Lake, formerly of Bourbon, went home to be with her Lord Jesus Christ Monday, Sept. 29, 2008 at 11:27 p.m. She was born Dec. 28, 1919 in Mentone to Peter and Mary Lena (Busenburg) Blue. In October 1938 at the First Baptist Church, Mentone, she married W. Ralph Baker. He preceded her in death Dec. 6, 1988.

She graduated from Mentone High School in 1938. She had lived in the Bourbon community most all of her life and had lived at the Grace Retirement Community, Winona Lake for nearly five years.

She was a homemaker. She was a member of the First Baptist Church, Mentone. She loved gardening and fishing especially the fishing in Minnesota and Wisconsin. She was a known vocalist.

She is survived by a daughter, Sally Ridgeway Baker of Sacramento, Calif.; sons: Larry R. (Yvonne) Baker of DeForest, Wis. And W. John (Julia) Baker of Warsaw; sister, Jeannine (Dean) Nellans of Mentone; brother, Royal (Linda) Blue of Redding, Calif.; 11 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by a son, Don Allen Baker in 1947; two grandsons; brother, Donald Blue; and sister, Phyllis Secrist.

Visitation is Thursday, Oct. 2 from 5 to 8 p.m. at King Memorial Home, Mentone. Funeral services are Friday, Oct. 3 at 10:30 a.m. at the funeral home with Pastor Michael White officiating. Burial will be at Parks Cemetery, Bourbon.

Memorials may be made to First Baptist Church Building Fund, Mentone.

John B. Benedict  Date of Death 9/29/2008

WARSAW — John B. Benedict, 88 a resident of Mason Health Care of Warsaw, died Monday, Sept. 29 at 7:25 a.m.

He is survived by his three children: Danny (Carolyn) Benedict, Benny Benedict, and Susan (Devon) Craig, all of Bourbon; one grandchild; three great-grandchildren; and one step-grandson

There will be no visitation.

Graveside services will be held Wednesday, Oct. 1 at 10:30 a.m. at Pleasant Hill Cemetery. Burial will follow in Pleasant Hill Cemetery at Bourbon with military graveside honors.

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

Harvey Junior “Mike” Hatfield  Date of Death 9/29/2008
PLYMOUTH – Harvey Junior “Mike” Hatfield, 91, of 805 Baker Street, Plymouth, died at 3:47 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 29, 2008, in Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth.

“Mike” Hatfield was born in Bourbon on Feb. 23, 1917, the son of Harvey Johnson and Barbara Ellen Wolf Hatfield. He was a 1935 graduate of Plymouth High School.

On June 8, 1940, in Plymouth, he and Julia Ann Wright were married.

An electrician for United Telephone for years, he then became self-employed master electrician, retiring in 1994.

He was a member of IBEW, the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth and the Lakeville Lions Club.

Mike was a man of faith whose family came first. He loved people and helping everyone. He will be dearly missed.

Mike is survived by his wife, Julia Ann, and by a son, Michael Allen and daughter-in-law, Susan Gay Hatfield, Whitefish Bay, Wis.

Two grandchildren, Michael (Karen) Hatfield Jr., Appleton, Wis., and Laura (Kenneth) Whitelaw, Johnston, Iowa, and four great-grandchildren: Michael Hatfield IV, Montgomery “Monty” Hatfield, both of Appleton, Wis.; Bryony Whitelaw and Ellery Whitelaw, both of Johnston, Iowa, also survive.

Mike was preceded in death by his parents and three brothers: Virgil, Russell and Carl.

Friends will be welcomed to celebrate the life of Mike Hatfield on Saturday, Oct. 4, 2008, from 2 to 3 p.m. in the First Presbyterian Church, 401 N. Walnut St., Plymouth.

Memorial services will follow visitation at 3 p.m. in the church. The Rev. Paul Nye will officiate.

The Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home has been entrusted with arrangements.

Burial will be in the Chapel Hill Cemetery, South Bend.

A special "Thank-you" to the staff of Miller’s Merry Manor for the extraordinary care given to Harvey.

Memorial gifts in Mike’s name may be made to the Lakeville Lions Club, the American Cancer Society or the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth.

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

Harold F. “Doggy” Hess Date of Death 9/29/2008


He was known and respected by all who knew him as a good husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather. He loved his fellowship at his church and gave support and help to his friends when they were in times of need.

Born in Plymouth on Sept. 30, 1926, Harold was the son of Herman and Vera (Mills) Hess. He lived in Plymouth all of his life.

He graduated from Plymouth’s Lincoln High School with the class of 1945, and joined the United
States Army. He was sent to Germany where he was a medic and grave registrar. When he returned home, he trained as an apprentice plumber.

He went to work in the family business, Plymouth Plumbing and Heating.

Harold met Edith Ritenour, a LaPaz farm girl and fell in love. A year later, on Feb. 28, 1948, they were married at a neighbor’s home.

Harold and his family lived at Pretty Lake since 1950. He retired from Thermogas as a gas cylinder delivery man in 1985.

He was a member of the Pretty Lake Trinity United Methodist Church and worked with the West Township Boy Scouts as assistant Scout Leader.

Hard working, he loved being outdoors. He loved fishing, camping and most anything to do with Mother Nature.

He had a great garden that was the envy of the neighborhood. He couldn’t stand to see produce go to waste and enjoyed sharing with others. He also took the time to visit shut-ins.

Harold loved to talk and whistle. He whistled while he worked and enjoyed playing his harmonica.

One of his great passions was the water. He boated or canoed on all area lakes and up in Michigan too.

For 10 years, from 1976 to 1986, Harold, his sons and Edith, his wife, directed the officially sanctioned nine-mile Blueberry Festival Paddle Canoe Race.

During the summer, with family and friends, they would clean the Yellow River to make it ready for the canoeists.

Harold enjoyed walking along the water with his faithful companion – a black dog “Midnight” by his side.

He and Edith loved to watch for the arrival of the snow geese at Pretty Lake every winter. There are ducks, geese, heron and deer. A pair of swans show up every once in awhile.

He is survived by Edith, his devoted wife of over 60 years and by their three sons: Leonard “Lenny” (Cathy) Hess; Rodney “Rod” (Sherry) Hess, all of Plymouth, and Gerald “Jerry” Hess and his friend, John carpenter, Houghton, Mich.

Seven grandchildren: Rich & Shelly Kovacs, Todd Hess, Jeff Hess, Troy Hess & Heather, Kesha Hess, Amber & Jade Buchanan and Donnie Adams along with 16 great-grandchildren also survive, together with a sister, Carolyn Neff, Granger, and a step-sister, Pat Kuskye, of Plymouth.

His in-laws would include; Mildred Ritenour, Kenneth & Marie Ritenour and Edna & Merl Swihart.

Harold was preceded in death by his parents, a daughter, Sheryl Guyse and step-mother, Cora Hess.

Visitation with the family and the sharing of their memories of Harold will be Wednesday, Oct. 1, 2008, from 5 to 8 p.m. and Thursday, Oct. 2, 2008, after 7 a.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home.

Friends are invited to celebrate the life of Harold Hess at 10 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 2, 2008, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth. The Rev. Jim Irwin, pastor of the Pretty Lake Trinity United Methodist Church, will officiate.
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Military honors will be accorded Harold by members of the V.F.W. Post 1162 and American Legion Post 27. Burial will follow in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

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

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

**Dorothy M. Tener  Date of Death 9/29/2008**

BREMEN — Dorothy M. Tener, 75, of Bremen, died Monday, Sept. 29, 2008 at Bremen Health Care Center.

She is survived by a daughter, Kathy (Jerry) Michalski of South Bend; sisters: Nellie Van Gilder of Plymouth, Ethel Renes of South Bend, Deloris (Harry) Beechler of Elkhart and Erma (Glen) Hochstetler of Nappanee; brother, George Andrews of Bremen; two grandchildren; three step-grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Thursday, Oct. 2 from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen. Funeral services are Friday, Oct. 3 at 1 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at Bremen Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

**Elizabeth “Liz” Yoder  Date of Death 9/29/2008**

FT. MYERS, Fla. — Elizabeth “Liz” Yoder, 82, of Ft. Myers, Fla., formerly of Nappanee, died at 3:23 p.m. Monday, Sept. 29, 2008 at Lee Memorial Hospital, Ft. Myers, Fla.

She is survived by friend, Don Hitsman of Ft. Myers, Fla.; brothers: Sam Hochstetter of Nappanee, Levi (Sue) Hochstetler of Elkhart and Harvey (Elizabeth) Hochstetler of Sarasota, Fla.; sisters: Anna Mast of Nappanee and Amanda Yoder of Sarasota, Fla.; sister-in-law, Mary Hochstetler of Nappanee; and brother-in-law, John Mast of Nappanee.

Visitation is Thursday, Oct. 2 from 3 to 8 p.m. at the Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee, and one hour prior to services Friday at the church. Funeral services are Friday, Oct. 3 at 2 p.m. at the Nappanee Church of the Brethren. Burial will be at Union Center Cemetery, Nappanee.

Memorials may be made to The Center for Hospice and Palliative Care.

**Harvey Jackson  Date of Death 10/1/2008**

ROCHESTER — Harvey Jackson, 69, of Rochester, died at 10:24 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 1, 2008 at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

(Cheryl) Norman of Blue Island, Ill.

Visitation is Friday, Oct. 3 from 4 to 8 p.m. and Saturday, Oct. 4 from 12 to 2 p.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Funeral services are Saturday, Oct. 4 at 2 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at Leiters Ford Cemetery.

Frances Isabelle VanDerWeele  Date of Death 10/1/2008

ARGOS — Frances Isabelle VanDerWeele, 82, of Argos, passed away Wednesday, Oct. 1, 2008 at 3:20 a.m. at Miller's Merry Manor of Plymouth, following a two-week illness. She was born April 27, 1926 in Claypool to Dewey and Sarah (Long) King. On Jan. 16, 1947 in Fort Wayne, she married Wayne “Skip” J. VanDerWeele.

Frances lived most of her life in the Argos community. She graduated from Tippecanoe High School with the class of 1944 and then attended Kellogg Community College, Battle Creek, Mich. She was a registered nurse, working in Battle Creek, Mich. and Rockville, Md. She was a member of James Lowell Corey, American Legion Post #68 Ladies Auxiliary and attended Argos United Methodist Church, Argos, and Church of the Brethren, Bradenton, Fla.

She is survived by her husband, Wayne “Skip” VanDerWeele of Argos; one son, William C. (Carolyn) VanDerWeele of Gaithersburg, Md.; one daughter, Suzanne (Tim) Woods of Pittsburg, Pa.; six grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; one brother, Charles (Faye) King of Bourbon; and several nephews and nieces.

She was preceded in death by her parents; a brother; and a sister.

Friends may visit with the family Friday, Oct. 3 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 4 at the funeral home with Elder Tim Woods officiating.

Burial will be at Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos.

Memorial contributions may be made to Argos United Methodist Church, 540 N. Michigan St., Argos, IN 46501 or American Lung Association of Indiana, Suite 1180-S 115 W. Washington St., Indianapolis, IN 46204

Electronic condolences my be sent to the family at: memorials@earl-grossmanfuneral.com

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

Doris C. Mollohan  Date of Death 10/2/2008

CULVER — Doris C. Mollohan, 75, of Culver, died Thursday, Oct. 2, 2008 at Hickory Creek at Winamac.

She is survived by daughters: Faith (Steve) Kersey of Culver, Helen (Jamey) McAfee of Plymouth, Rosemary (Matt) Kovacs of North Judson and Tammy (Kenny) Ross of Hamlet; sons: Eugene Jefferies Jr. of Plymouth, David (Doris) Jefferies Sr. of Culver and William (Deborah) Jefferies Sr. of Culver; 43 grandchildren; 30 great-grandchildren; and sister, Dorthy Overmyer of Plymouth.

Visitation is today from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver. Funeral services are Tuesday, at 1 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at the Culver Masonic Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the American Diabetes Association or the American Cancer Society.
Donna Lee Bowser  Date of Death 10/3/2008


Donna was born on Sept. 19, 1927, in LaPorte to Harold and Elsie (Baugher) Cripe. She and her family moved to Bremen in 1934. It was in Bremen that she met Don Bowser, in school. They graduated together, from Bremen, in the Class of 1945. On Aug. 28, 1948, after Don returned home from the service, Donna and Don were married at the Riverside E.U.B. Church in Bremen. Donna was a homemaker and a retired beautician. She and Don loved to travel and they spent their winters, in their home in Florida, for 21 years.

Donna is survived by her husband of 60 years, Donald Bowser; their sons: Rex and Joyce Bowser of Coatesville, Randy and Ann Bowser of Plymouth, and Roger and Beckey Bowser of Cassopolis, Mich.; 15 grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren (with another expected); and her brother, Neil and Doris Cripe of Bremen. She was preceded in death by her parents and an infant sister.

Funeral services will be held Friday, Oct. 10, 2008, at 11 a.m., at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, in Plymouth, with the Rev. Les Johnson officiating. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Mausoleum, Plymouth.

Friends and family are invited to visit with the Bowser Family on Thursday, Oct. 9, 2008, from 4 to 7 p.m., at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, IN, 46563.

The family would like for memorial contributions to be given to the donor’s choice.

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

Arline Johnson  Date of Death 10/3/2008

PLYMOUTH — Arline Inga Johnson passed away on Friday, Oct. 3, 2008, at her home, in Plymouth.

Arline was born on Nov. 24, 1919, in Roseau, Minn., to George and Signe Lawmaster. Arline married the love of her life, Ingwald R. Johnson, on Nov. 21, 1943, in Plymouth. Ingwald preceded her in death in 1967.

Arline’s parents, George and Signe Lawmaster, a Swedish immigrant, met and married in Minnesota, while George was homesteading. Three children, Willie, Barney, and Arline, were born there. Later the family moved to their farm in Tippecanoe, and three more children were born, Walter, Ollie, and Evelyn.

While growing up, Arline loved animals, especially her horse, Rex, and her dog, Sheila. Arline always accompanied her mother to sell produce at the Farmer’s Market in South Bend. She graduated from Tippecanoe High School and was a beautiful redhead.

While riding her horse Rex, she passed a log cabin, in Tippecanoe, where she met her future husband, Inwald “Snuffy” R. Johnson. They fell in love and were married on Nov. 21, 1943, in Plymouth.

Ingwald and Arline had three children: Ingwald W. Johnson, Mike Johnson, and Kristina Johnson.

They have wonderful memories of all the aunts, uncles, and cousins gathering every Sunday at George and Signe’s farm, for dinner, and then playing in the woods, barn, and along the Tippecanoe River.
Arline enjoyed driving for Real Rider Services. She made many friends with the passengers and truly cared about them. In later years, she spent a lot of sunny days out in her yard, enjoying the countryside, birds, and her flowers. She was a true lover of animals and of nature.

A loving wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, she will be missed by her family and friends.

Surviving are her sons, Ingwald and Mike; her daughter, Kristina; her grandchildren: Regina Mcclain, Kristen (Frank) Schittino, Ingwald Johnson (all of Florida) and Jennifer Biglane of Knox; her great-grandchildren: Ryan Mcclain, Brandon Mcclain, Calvin King, Halie King, Carmella Schittino, and Kaylee Johnson, all of Florida; and her brother-in-law, Jerry Johnson of Maryland. She was preceded in death by her granddaughter, Joselyn.

A time of visiting with the family will be Wednesday, Oct. 8, 2008, from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth.

Funeral services will be Thursday, Oct. 9, 2008, at 1:30 p.m., at the Van Gilder Funeral Home with the Rev. Denise Anderson officiating.

Burial will be in Tippecanoe Cemetery, Tippecanoe.

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

Claude, Jr. Salyer  Date of Death 10/3/2008

KNOX — Claude Salyer Jr., 78, died Friday, Oct. 3, in his home.

Surviving are: his wife, Justine; one daughter, Vonda (Robert) Butler of Knox; three sons, Terry (Karen) Salyer of Henager, Ala. and Tim (Delcie) Salyer and Jerry (Janice) Salyer, all of Knox; 13 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; three sisters, Ruth Clemons, Colleen Salyer and Jean Minix, all of Salyersville, KY; one brother, Billy Wayne Salyer of Salyersville, KY.

Funeral services will be Tuesday at 11 a.m. Central Time at the Free United Baptist Church with Pastors Gerald Allen and Fred Miller officiating.

Friends may call Monday from 4-8 p.m. CDT at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel and Tuesday at the church after 10 a.m.

Mabel (Yazel) Baney  Date of Death 10/5/2008

Mrs. Mabel (Yazel) Baney, 97, who was a resident of Peace River Rehabilitation Center in Port Charlotte, Fla., formerly of Bourbon, peacefully entered into her eternal rest on Sunday, Oct. 5 at 5:30 a.m.

She was born the daughter of Hallie (Nick) Eby and Mary E. Carl Eby on July 31, 1911 in Bourbon Township. She had been a resident of the Bourbon and Bremen area all her life until she moved to Florida in the later years. She had lived in the Punta Gorda area until the hurricane where she suffered a great loss.

Mabel was a Corporate Secretary & Liaison to the President of TV Time Foods in Bremen where she retired in 1971.

Mabel was married to C. Blaine (Bing) Yazel on Aug. 30, 1931, he died June 7, 1974. She was then married to Verl Baney on Nov. 10, 1979 and he died Jan. 12, 2003.

She is survived by her son, Larry (Lori) Yazel of Indianapolis and a step-son, Richard (Betty) Baney of Bourbon. She was further blessed with a grandson, Dr. Eric Yazel; step-grandchildren:
Cynthia Shelby and Kevin (Kim) Baney along with six step-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her sister, a brother and a step-daughter.

Mabel was a very active person where her memberships included; Past member of the Order of the Eastern Star of Bourbon, Past member of Business and Professional Women's Club and the River Forest Social Club. She was also a member of the Bourbon First United Methodist Church and the Cleveland United Methodist Church of Cleveland, Fla.

Mabel also was known to be seen helping around the Deaton Funeral Home assisting during visitations and funerals while she was in Bourbon.

A funeral service to celebrate Mabel's life will be held Wednesday, Oct. 8 at 2 p.m. in Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, 115 S. Main St. Bourbon, with Rev. Mark Day officiating.

The family will receive friends from 12:30 p.m. until time of funeral services Wednesday in the funeral home.

Burial will follow in the Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Bourbon.

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

**Lisa A. Lengacher  Date of Death 10/6/2008**

WAKARUSA — Lisa A. Lengacher, 39, of Wakarusa, died Monday, Oct. 6, 2008 at home.

She is survived by her husband, Jeff Lengacher; daughters: Chelsea Lengacher and Cassie Lengacher, both at home; mother and father-in-law Barb and Mike Hattery of Indianapolis; sisters: Pam (Ryan) Smoot of Thorntown and Angela (Ben) LaPlace of Temperance, Mich.; brother, Ryan (Hillary) Hattery of Middlebury; grandparents: Mary Lou Dorries of Elkhart and Raymond Replogle of Three Rivers, Mich.; father and mother-in-law, Jack and Nadine Lengacher of Wakarusa; brother and sisters-in-law: Jack and Shelly Lengacher, Jamie and Jolinda Lengacher and Jody and Tara Lengacher, all of Wakarusa; and sister and brother-in-law, Nicki and Kraig Resler of Wakarusa.

Visitation is Thursday, Oct. 9 from 2 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to the service Friday at Wakarusa Missionary Church. Funeral services are Friday, Oct. 10 at 11 a.m. at the church.

Burial will be at Olive Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to “The Compass.”

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

**Robert G. Selner  Date of Death 10/6/2008**

CHURUBUSCO — Robert G. Selner, 83, of 120 Windsor Drive, Churubusco, passed away at 9:56 a.m. on Monday, Oct. 6, 2008, at his home.

Robert was born on Dec. 13, 1924, in Wakarusa, to Emery and Gertrude (Birk) Selner. On June 11, 1949, Robert married the former Shirley A. Pittman, in Nappanee. Shirley passed away on Dec. 16, 2006. Together they raised their six children. They moved from the Plymouth area, to the Churubusco area in 1972. Robert had been employed by the Studebaker Company, in South Bend, and retired from the E.H. Tepe Company of Fort Wayne, as the Stockroom Manager.

Robert proudly served his country in the United States Army during WWII. He enjoyed camping with his family and friends. Robert was a member of the Churubusco Lions Club, Campers Association of Indiana, and was a past President of the Marshall County Pathfinders.
Robert is survived by his daughters: Sue and Tom Kowalski of Mishawaka, Linda Martin of Lakeville, and Cindy and Eugene Michael of Fort Wayne; his sons: Tom and Sharon Selner of Plymouth and Bruce and D.J. Selner of Ashley; nine granddaughters; five grandsons; three great-grandsons; and two great-granddaughters; his sisters: Mildred Miller and Nancy Kindly; and his brothers, Charles Selner and George Selner. Robert was preceded in death by his wife, Shirley; his daughter, Penny Sue; two sisters; and a grandson.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, Oct. 11, 2008, at the VAN GILDER FUNERAL HOME, at 11 a.m., with the Rev. David L. Detamore officiating.

A time of visiting with the Selner family will be on Friday, Oct. 10, 2008, from 5 to 8 p.m. and Saturday, Oct. 11, 2008, from 10 to 11 a.m. at the VAN GILDER FUNERAL HOME, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial contributions may be given to the American Diabetes Association, 7363 East 21st Street, Indianapolis, IN, 46219.

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

**Howard S. Wilhelm  Date of Death 10/6/2008**

ARGOS — Howard S. Wilhelm, 92, of Argos, died at 9:30 a.m. Monday, Oct. 6, 2008, at Woodlawn Hospital in Rochester.

He is survived by his sisters: Mary (Donald) Hayn of Argos and Dorothy (Bill) Graham of Peru; and many nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held at the Garden Court Conference Room, in Argos, Tuesday, Oct. 14 at 10:30 a.m.

Burial will be in the Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos, at 11:30 a.m., following the memorial service.

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

**Thomas E. Baxter  Date of Death 10/7/2008**

KNOX — Thomas E. Baxter, 69, of Knox, passed away Tuesday, Oct. 7, 2008 at Simon Cancer Center in Indianapolis. Thomas was born Nov. 11, 1938 in Princeton, Ill. to Aaron E. and Marion (Yarrington) Clements Baxter, both deceased.

He retired from Exterior Designers in Valparaiso and spent his retirement traveling, playing his banjo and spending time with his family. He was a lifetime member of the Lutheran Church of South Haven. He married his beloved wife of 52 years, Gloria J. Cherry of June 12, 1956, she survives. Also surviving are their children: Thomas J. (Brooke) Baxter of Valparaiso, Misti Everage of Hamlet, Cynthia (Ralph) Dalton of Plymouth and Laurie (Kenneth) Woelk of Knox; a brother, Larry (Milena) Baxter of Knox; sisters: Joyce Miracle of Hobart and Tina (Doug) Hepp of Schererville; stepmother, Dorothy Baxter of Hobart; and his greatest pleasures in life his 11 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his stepfather, Carl Laverne Clements of French Lick.

According to his wishes, services and interment will be private.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Leukemia Foundation in his name.
Darlene Susan "Sue" Doty-Elizondo  Date of Death 10/7/2008


She is survived by her husband, Gilbert Elizondo; a son Martin (Holly) Fasso of Portage; two daughters: Justine (Frank) Doty-Companik of North Judson and Amanda Follow of Ariz. and a sister, Sharon Young of North Judson and sister Sharon Young of North Judson.

Visitation will take place at 10 a.m. Monday, Oct. 13 until the time of services at Braman and Bailey Funeral Home, 6020 S. Oakwood, North Judson.

Funeral services will take place Monday, Oct. 13 at 1 p.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will follow at Reed Cemetery, Winamac.

Kelly J. Kelly  Date of Death 10/7/2008

ROCHESTER — Helen J. Kelly, 79, of Rochester, died at 4:45 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 7, 2008 at Life Care Center of Rochester.

She is survived by her husband, Van Kelly; daughter, Barbara Buckingham of Port Charlotte, Fla.; son, Brad (Brenda) Kelly of Kewanna; three grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and brother, Billy Richard (Irene) Nickell of Logansport.

Visitation is Thursday, Oct. 9 from 4 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to services Friday at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Funeral services are Friday, Oct. 10 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to Pheasants Forever.

Jeffrey D. Willhite  Date of Death 10/7/2008

CULVER — Jeffrey D. Willhite, 37, of Culver, died Tuesday, Oct. 7, 2008 at 11:17 p.m. at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, South Bend.

He is survived by his father, Henry Lee Willhite Sr. of Culver; his mother, Gladys Willhite of Culver; his son, Zachary Willhite and two brothers: Michael Lee Willhite and Henry Lee Willhite Jr., both of Culver.

Visitation will take place at Culver Academies Memorial Chapel, Culver, Monday, Oct. 13 from 4 to 8 p.m.

Funeral services will take place at the chapel Tuesday, Oct. 14 at 11 a.m. Burial will follow at the Culver Masonic Cemetery.

Letters of condolences may be sent to the family via the Web site www.bonineodom.com.

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

Minnie Ellen Bennitt  Date of Death 10/8/2008

BREMEN — Minnie Ellen Bennitt, 86, of Bremen, died Wednesday, Oct. 8, 2008 at her residence.

She is survived by daughters: Connie (Bob) Hummel of St. James, Mo., Barb (Nick) Kintzel of
Warsaw, Pam (John) Zeiger of Bremen and Karen (Joel) Dillon of Bremen; sons: Jack (Carolyn) Bennitt of Bremen and Bob (Judy) Bennitt of Plymouth; daughter-in-law, Cheryl Willard of Kansas; 23 grandchildren; 40 great-grandchildren; seven great-great-grandchildren; and sisters: Margaret Simpson of New Carlisle, Beverly Gray of Redlands, Calif., Reva Giles of Henderson, Nev., Elaine Lathrop of Kouts and Eldean Ebanks of Oceano, Calif.

Visitation is Sunday, Oct. 12 from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen. Funeral services are Monday, Oct. 13 at 10:30 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 or Hospice of Marshall County, 111 Sunnybrook Ct., South Bend, IN 46637.

Lewis Jones  Date of Death 10/8/2008

CULVER — Lewis Jones, 93, of rural route Culver, passed away Wednesday, Oct. 8, 2008 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Lewis was born on Feb. 9, 1915 in Burr Oak to Samuel and Bertha (Houghton) Jones.

Upon his graduation from Culver High School in 1932, he traveled cross country ending up in Central Oregon where he met his "red headed gal", Marguriete (Margie) Mason. They were married at the Portland Army Air Base in Portland, Ore. on Jan. 24, 1943.

After serving his country during WWII he returned to Madras, Ore. for a few years before moving his family back to Indiana. Lewis owned and operated a service station in Burr Oak while also working as a machinist for several companies in South Bend. He then took his family to a small farm in Grovertown where they spent the next six years.

In 1962 he returned to the Burr Oak area to the family farm where he continued to live.


He is survived by his loving wife of 65 years, Margie; daughter, Mildred (Milly) Olle of Berwyn, Ill.; daughter-in-law, Patricia Jones of Michigan City; grandsons: Ron (Barb) Olle of West Chicago, Ill. and Jim Olle of Schaumburg, Ill.; granddaughter, Michelle Jones of Michigan City; and great-grandchildren: Amanda, Briana, Sarina, Sophia, Jaedon, Giovanni, Amani, Johntay, and Jamari. Also numerous nieces and nephews.

Preceding him in death were his parents; son, Jimmy; brothers: Floyd, Glen, Thomas; sisters: Hazel and Gladys; and great-grandson, Johntarias.

A celebration of Lewis' life will be held Sunday, Oct. 12, 2008 at 2 p.m. EDT at the Emmanuel United Methodist Church in Culver, where he was an active member.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Emmanuel United Methodist Church, 401 S. Main S., Culver, IN 46511.

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

Ernest A. Ross  Date of Death 10/8/2008

PLYMOUTH — Ernest A. Ross, 83, of west Washington Street, Plymouth, Ind., died at 11 a.m., on Wednesday, October 8, 2008, at his home.

Ernest is survived by his daughters, Debra K. Holland of Walkerton, Ind. and Sara Jane and Jon Wentzel of Plymouth; his sons, James and Sue Ross of Plymouth and John and Mary Ross of
Plymouth; 11 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

The Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 West Madison St., Plymouth, IN, 46563, has been entrusted with the arrangements.

According to Ernest’s wishes, there will be no visitation or funeral services.

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

**Wilma Troyer  Date of Death 10/8/2008**

CULVER — Wilma Troyer, 73, 19411 15th Road, Culver, died of natural causes at her residence at 12:39 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 8, 2008.

Born in Hamlet on Nov. 17, 1934, Wilma was the daughter of William and Myrtle Crabb Whitehead. She graduated from Knox High School with the class of 1952.

On Aug. 11, 1954, in Rochester, Wilma and Lewis Troyer were married.

For 20 years, doing assembly work, Wilma was employed at Federal Mogul in Leiters Ford.

She was an active and diversified person. Wilma crocheted and rode motorcycles. She collected carousel horses and was a consummate Elvis Presley fan. She gardened and canned her produce.

Most of all she enjoyed being with her family.

Wilma was a member of a Rochester ladies’ bowling league.

She is survived by her husband and by a two sons and a daughter.

Her son is Richard (Deborah) Troyer of Troy, Ala., and by their four sons: Richard Troyer, Jr., and Steven L. Troyer, both of Troy, Ala.; Glen S. Troyer, Cody, Wy., and Travis J. Troyer, Plymouth.

Two great-granddaughters: Hanna Troyer, Plymouth, and Haley Troyer, St. Petersburg, Fla., also survive.

Her son is Brent Allen Troyer, Culver, and his son Joshua Allen Troyer, Plymouth.

Cheryl Lynn Lowry, Wilma’s daughter, of Delong, also survives along with her sons and daughter: Brian Keith (Renessa) Troyer of Goshen, Nicole Renee Wilson, Ark., and Cory Edward Lowry, Delong.

Eight great-grandchildren are: Shelby K. Troyer, Rochester, and Logan Wayne Troyer, Goshen: Deric J. Wilson, Zachary Lewis Wilson, Alexis K. Wilson and Mikalaya Wagner, all of Arkansas, also survive, together with Cameron Lance Lowry and Merissa Lowry, Goshen.

A daughter-in-law, Tammy Troyer, Warsaw, and two grandsons and a granddaughter, survive as well. They are Kevin Michael Troyer, Austin, Texas, and Brandin and Sydney Renae Troyer, both of Warsaw.

Wilma was preceded in death by her son, Leslie Wayne Troyer, a sister, Lois Triplet and her parents.

Friends are invited to share memories and celebrate the life of Wilma Troyer from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 10, 2008, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1110 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.
Funeral services for Wilma will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 11, 2008, in the funeral home. Floyd Allen of the Delong Lighthouse will officiate.

Burial will be in the New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorials in Wilma’s name may be made to charity of the donor’s choice.

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

Darrell "Buck" Elliott  Date of Death 10/9/2008

Darrell “Buck” Elliott died Oct. 9, 2008 in Inman, S.C. at the age of 70. He was born Aug. 10, 1938 to his loving parents the late Alfred I. and Dorthea M. Elliott in Argos, where he was raised. He proudly served his country in the United States Marines. Upon his honorable discharge from the Marine Corp in April of 1959, he began a 40 year career with R.R. Donnelley & Sons in Warsaw, and retired from the Spartanburg, S.C. facility.

He is survived by his wife, Edna Elliott; daughter, Lonna Sue Hughey; son, Roger T. Elliott; three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren, all of Campobello, S.C.; sister, Mildred Elliott Osborn of Lafayette; brother-in-law, Joe Rex of Argos; along with many nieces and nephews.

Buck is preceded in death by his parents, son; Terry Elliott, brother; Earl Elliott; three sisters; Fern Elliott Goen, Joyce Elliott Warner and Mary Lou Elliott Rex.

Electronic condolences my be sent to the family at: memorials@earl-grossmanfuneral.com

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

Carolyn Sue Foshee  Date of Death 10/9/2008

PLYMOUTH — Carolyn Sue Foshee, 51, died at her residence at 3:30 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 9, 2008.

She is survived by her husband, John of Plymouth; niece, Jennifer Allen of Knox; stepson, Joe J. Foshee of Chicago, Ill.; stepdaughters: Janet M. Moloney of Illinois and Deborah A. (Christopher) Phillips, Mundelin, Ill.; and a brother-in-law, Joe Allen of Knox.

Visitation is Sunday, Oct. 12 from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth. Funeral services will follow at 3 p.m. in the funeral home. Burial will be at Round Lake Cemetery, North Judson.

Memorials may be made to St. Jude’s Children’s Hospital and the Feed the Children’s Fund.

Victor Goze  Date of Death 10/9/2008

PLYMOUTH — Victor Goze, 85, WWII Veteran, went to be with the Lord on Oct. 9, 2008 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth. Vic is survived by his wife, Irene. Vic and Irene had two children, Ronald G. Goze, who served in the Navy and died in 1986 from Exposure to Agent Orange and daughter, G. Jeane (Richard) Aman of Donaldson; three grandchildren, Staci (Aman) Jennings and husband, Scott of Tippecanoe, Ronald V. Goze and wife Teresa of South Bend, and Victoria (Aman) Smith and husband, Jason of Plymouth; Nine great-grandchildren, Alyssa Miller and James Miller of Plymouth, Garrett Jennings, deceased, Mallorie Jennings, Hannah Jennings and Courtney Jennings of Tippecanoe, Thomas Goze and Olivia Goze of South Bend and Shelby Smith of Plymouth; one brother, George Goze.

Vic was the son of Lewis and Julia Goze, who came to Ellis Island, NY, “America”, from Tarna Mare, Romania on the President Lincoln on Oct. 8, 1913. He was born in Chicago on
“Christmas”. He did not know until he went to obtain his birth certificate to enlist in the Marines, that he was actually born on the Romanian Orthodox Christmas, which was Jan. 7.

Vic belonged to a large family of 13 siblings. They moved to the farm at Donaldson, when he was two years of age. Vic had been hit by a “Gary Car”, three streetcars coupled together, and his parents decided to raise the children in the safer country. He graduated from Grovertown High School in 1941. His high school credits included, student manager for all of the high school sports, librarian, student worker in the cafeteria and President of his class for three years. He was also a member of the orchestra, the quartet and the Starke County Schools Band.

In 1942, Vic joined the U.S. Marine Corps and the Marine Corp Band. He spent 28 months of combat duty during WWII in the South Pacific. He served with the 5th Amphibian, the 1st Marine Battalion and the 3rd Marine Division. Vic helped to form the first AAA unit in Hawaii.

After his discharge in 1945, Vic met old friends to celebrate Irene Biers 18th birthday. He and Irene both had blind dates coming for the evening with friends. Neither date arrived, so he and Irene went out together. This was Oct. 18, 1945 and they married on Dec. 24, 1945. Vic and Irene celebrated their 62nd wedding anniversary this past Christmas Eve.

Vic worked at NIPSCO in Plymouth for 39 years as a driver, groundman, underground storage worker and storeroom operator until his retirement in 1983. With retirement were many joys; family, family tree, gardening, reading, flea markets and travel. He and Irene are a part of the Koontz Lake Missionary Church Family and loved the Lord. He was also a lifetime member of the Plymouth VFW, the Plymouth American Legion Post #27 and the Plymouth Eagles.

Vic was proud of his wife, his family and his service as a WWII veteran and the wonderful life he had been blessed with. He was a great husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather. He never knew a stranger and has helped and been a blessing to many people throughout his life.

Funeral services are Monday at 11 a.m. EDT at the Koontz Lake Missionary Church with Pastor Brian Baughman officiating. Burial will be in the Grovertown Cemetery, where military graveside services will be conducted. Friends may call Sunday from 4 to 8 p.m. EDT at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel and Monday at the church after 10 a.m.

Memorial contributions, in memory of Victor Goze, may be given to the Koontz Lake Missionary Church at 8044 N. SR 23, Walkerton, IN 46574.

patricia Maenhout  Date of Death 10/9/2008

BREMEN – Patricia Maenhout, 9738 1st Road, Bremen, died of natural causes on Thursday, Oct. 9, 2008, in the Community Hospital of Bremen. She was 57-years-old.

Patricia was born the daughter of Harold I. and Maxine Worsham Hamilton in Bremen on Dec. 18, 1950.

She graduated from LaVille High School with the class of 1969.

On July 21, 1973, in Plymouth, Patricia and Russell Maenhout were married.

For 16 years she was a teacher’s aide at LaVille schools and had also worked as a telephone operator.

Adept with her hands, she enjoyed knitting, sewing and cross-stitching. She loved to travel. Raising her family was a great joy and satisfaction and she enjoyed her grandchildren and their activities.

Patricia was a member of the Calvary Lutheran Women’s Club. She was a Red Hat Club member, a Sunday school teacher and a member of the school board.
She is survived by her husband, a daughter and two sons. They are Ryan E. (Jessica) Maenhout and their children, Allyson and Ryan Nicholas of Bremen; Angela L. (Emanuel) Reese, South Bend, and their children Karrissa and Jaisyn Reese and Kevin (Amy) Maenhout, Bremen.

Two brothers, Harold (Delores) Gene Hamilton, Plymouth and Charles Hamilton, Bremen, and several nieces and nephews also survive.

Patricia was preceded in death by her parents.

Friends are invited to share memories of Patricia with her family from 3 to 7 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 11, 2008, and for one hour prior to funeral services on Sunday, Oct. 12, 2008, at 2 p.m. in the Calvary Lutheran Church, 1314 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

The Rev. Steven Resner, pastor of the Calvary Lutheran Church, will officiate.

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

Interment will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Patricia’s memory may be made to her church.

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

BREMEN — Patricia Maenhout, 57, of Bremen, died Thursday, Oct. 9, 2008 at Community Hospital of Bremen.

She is survived by her husband, Russell Maenhout of Bremen; daughter, Angela L. (Emanuel) Reese of South Bend; sons: Ryan E. (Jessica) Maenhout of Bremen and Kevin (Amy) Maenhout of Bremen; and brothers: Harold Gene (Delores) Hamilton of Plymouth and Charles Hamilton of Bremen.

Visitation is Saturday, Oct. 11 from 3 to 7 p.m. and one hour prior to the service Sunday at Calvary Evangelical Lutheran Church. Funeral services are Sunday, Oct. 12 at 2 p.m. at the church. Burial will be at New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorials may be made to Calvary Evangelical Lutheran Church.

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

Mary Louise Danner  Date of Death 10/10/2008

BREMEN — Mary Louise Danner, 68, of Bremen, died Friday, Oct. 10, 2008 in her home.

She is survived by her husband, Donald G. Danner; daughter, Melinda (Kevin) Flick of Plymouth; one granddaughter; and sister, Elsie Garrett of Clinton, Neb.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Monday, Oct. 13 in the Community Gospel Church, 69000 S.R. 331, Bremen. Burial will follow in Bremen Cemetery. Visitation is from 3 to 6 p.m. Sunday in the Palmer Funeral Home, 314 S. Michigan St. Lakeville, and one hour prior to the services in church Monday.

Ernest Elton “Al” Glant  Date of Death 10/10/2008

BREMEN — Ernest Elton “Al” Glant, 83, of Bremen, died Friday, Oct. 10, 2008 at Community Hospital of Bremen. He was born Oct. 20, 1924 in Kokomo to Ernest E. and Ruby Glant and was raised by Ernest and Marian Glant. On Aug. 4, 1946, he married Mildred “Middy” Utzinger in Hamlet. She survives.
He established Glant Funeral Home and Air Ambulance Service in Bremen in 1949, owning and operating this business for approximately 20 years. He was employed by New York Life Insurance and Warsaw/Wabash Aviation, and was a corrections officer for Marshall County Sheriff's Department.

He graduated from Hamlet High School and attended Mortuary College in Indianapolis graduating with a Funeral Director degree.

He served in U.S. Air Force in the Philippines during WWII.

He was a member of First United Church of Christ in Bremen where he sang in the choir for a number of years. Some of Al's interests included being a lifetime member of the Indiana Volunteer Fire Fighters Association with the Bremen Fire Department. He was a 32nd Degree Mason, of the Bremen Masonic Lodge and a member of the Bremen Lions Club. He was a board member of the Community Hospital of Bremen and member of Marshall County Health Association.

He is survived by his wife, Mildred "Middy" of Bremen; two daughters: Pat (Steve) Dunsizer of Plymouth and Pam (Jerry) Meister of Lake of the Woods; two sons: Dick (Sue) Glant of Bremen and Dave (Casey) Glant of High Springs, Fla.; seven grandchildren: Mindi (Brad) Blosser, Travis (Jenna) Meister, Kimberly Dunsizer, Melissa (Jerry) Sander, Keri Glant and Alex Klausner; and nine great-grandchildren: Macey, Madison & Brenna Blosser, Brock, Collin & Ellis Meister, Grace Gardner, Tate Dunsizer, Jared Sander, Kieran Glant.

He was preceded in death by his father, mother, step-mother, and grandson, Matthew Glant.

A memorial service will be held at 10:30 a.m. Monday, Oct. 13 at First United Church of Christ, 323 S. Center St., Bremen officiated by Pastor Harry Clark.

Burial will be private.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Community Hospital of Bremen.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.mishlerfuneralhomes.com.

Arnold "Dick" Umbaugh  Date of Death 10/10/2008

PLYMOUTH — Arnold "Dick" Umbaugh, 84, of Oakhill Ave, Plymouth, passed away at 12:36 a.m. on Friday, Oct. 10, 2008, at the Catherine Kasper Life Care Center in Donaldson.

Dick was born on Oct. 2, 1924, in Argos, to Cecil and Esther (Cool) Umbaugh. He attended Argos School, for 12 years, graduating in the Class of 1943.

In May of 1943, Dick joined the United States Navy and proudly served his country. He received his basic training at Great Lakes, Ill. He served aboard the U.S.S. Granville Transport Ship, as Pharmacist Mate 1st class, in the South Pacific, for two and a half years.

On April 21, 1946, Dick and the former Berniece Samuelson were united in marriage at the Immanuel Lutheran Church, in Donaldson.

Dick entered Hanover College in June of 1946, where he majored in Chemistry and Biology. He graduated from Hanover, in June of 1950. He attended one year of Medical School at Indiana University.
He returned to Plymouth and was a Lab Tech at Parkview Hospital. He later joined Investors Diversified Service and was a Financial Advisor for 28 years, retiring in 1985. Dick and Berniece moved to Saint Germain, Wis., for eight years, where Dick enjoyed his hobby of fishing. They returned to Plymouth in 1993.

Dick was a Boy Scout in his youth, and as an adult he took on the role of Scout Leader. He was also very active in his church. He taught Sunday School and was on the church council many times. He was a member Rotary Club and the American Legion. Dick enjoyed spending time with his family.

Dick is survived by his wife, Berniece; their sons, Mark and Suzanne Umbaugh of Argos, David and Vainca Umbaugh of Pebble Beach, Calif. and Dan and Barbara Umbaugh of Carmel; his brother, Gerald Umbaugh of Kansas; his sister, Ercell and Morris Zink of South Bend; eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Dick was preceded in death by his parents: Cecil and Esther Umbaugh; his sister, Lois Weidner and his granddaughter, Sarah Jane Umbaugh.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 14, with one hour visitation prior to service, at the Immanuel Lutheran Church, Donaldson, with the Rev. Dennis Wenzel officiating.

A time of visiting with the Umbaugh family, will be on Monday, Oct. 13, 2008, from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the VAN GILDER FUNERAL HOME, 300 West Madison Street, Plymouth, IN, 46563.

Burial will be in the Immanuel Lutheran Cemetery, Donaldson.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Immanuel Lutheran Church or to the World Gospel Mission.

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

Robert A. Conrad  Date of Death 10/11/2008

Robert A. Conrad, 83, Peru, died Saturday at Miller's Merry Manor, Logansport.

Survivors include his wife, Carolyn R. Conrad, and three children, Diana J. Conrad, Indianapolis, John R. Conrad, Brooklyn Center, Minn., and Matt L. Conrad, LaPorte.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver. Visitation will be from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. today.

Dwayne Houston Cross  Date of Death 10/11/2008

LAPAZ — Dwayne Houston Cross, 35, of LaPaz, passed away on Saturday morning, Oct. 11, 2008 as the result of injuries sustained in an automobile accident. Dwayne was born on Dec. 25, 1972 in Durham, N.C. and has lived in LaPaz for the past three years, moving from North Carolina where he lived most of his life. On Dec. 17, 2000 in Cary, N.C., he married the former Michelle Jylayne Unruh.

Along with his wife, Michelle, Dwayne is survived by his three children; his daughter, Emily Cross and twin sons, Jacob and Jonah Cross; his parents, Wayne and Dorinda (Lyon) Cross of Apex, N.C.; one sister, Andrea Cross of Clayton, N.C.; and grandmother, Dorothy Cox of Durham, N.C.

Dwayne worked at the Security Department for the University of Notre Dame. He was formerly employed with St. Joseph County as a police deputy. Dwayne additionally served his community by working for the North Carolina Department of Corrections. Dwayne proudly served his country with the United States Marine Corp during the Gulf War. He enjoyed coaching soccer at Newton
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Park for his children. He also enjoyed teaching preschool at Nappanee Missionary Church. Dwayne found tremendous satisfaction visiting his children at school and playing at recess.

Funeral services will be held at 4 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 16, 2008 at the Lakeville United Methodist Church. Rev. Steve Cox and Rev. Larry Dimick will officiate. Military services will follow. Friends may visit with the family from 5 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 15, at the Palmer Funeral Home, Lakeville and one hour prior to services at the church on Thursday. Fellowship meal will be served at the LaPaz Community Building immediately following the Funeral Services. Please come and share your stories!

Contributions in memory of Dwayne H. Cross may be donated to Michelle Cross to further their children’s education during college, c/o Palmer Funeral Home, P.O. Box 33, Lakeville, IN 46536. Online condolences may be offered to the family at www.palmerfuneralhomes.com

LAPAZ — Dwayne Houston Cross, 35, died Saturday, Oct. 11, 2008.

He is survived by his wife, Michelle Julynne (Unruh) Cross; daughter, Emily Cross; twin sons: Jacob and Jonah Cross; his parents, Wayne and Dorinda Cross of Apex, N.C.; his sister, Andrea Cross of Clayton, N.C.; and grandmother, Dorothy Cox of North Carolina.

Funeral services will be held at 4 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 16 at the Lakeville United Methodist Church. Visitation is from 5 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the Palmer Funeral Home-Lakeville and one hour prior to services in the church Thursday.

Contributions may be donated to Michelle Cross for college educations for the kids c/o Palmer Funeral Home, P.O. Box 33, Lakeville, IN 46536.

Overta Edith Swank Dickson Date of Death 10/11/2008

CRAWFORDSVILLE — Oveta Edith Swank Dickson, 88, of Crawfordsville, died Saturday, Oct. 11 a St. Clare Medical Center, Crawfordsville.

She is survived by her husband, Paul; four daughters: Linda (Mike) Simms of Crawfordsville, Karen (David) Gehrke of Plymouth, Janet (Marvin) Moffett of Lafayette and Donna (Bill) Runkle of Lafayette; a sister, Audrey (Wes) Ehrie of Crawfordsville and eight grandchildren.

Visitation will take place Tuesday, Oct. 14 from 5 to 8 p.m. at Burkhart Funeral Home, 300 S. Grant Ave., Crawfordsville.

Funeral services will take place at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 15 at the funeral home with burial to follow at Waynetown Masonic Cemetery.

Online condolences can be sent to the family at www.BurkhartFH.com .

Jack A. Harman Date of Death 10/11/2008

PLYMOUTH — Jack A. Harman, 89, died of natural causes at 4:10 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 11, 2008, at Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth. He had moved to Plymouth in 1929 when he was 10 years old.

His favorite activity was being with his family.

Jack was born on Sept. 4, 1919, in Garrett, Ind., the son of Mont H. and Helen I. Wood Harman. He graduated from Plymouth High School with the class of 1938.

On June 15, 1941, in Plymouth, Jack and Helen L. Lee were married. Helen died on March 23, 1978. He served his country as a Pfc. in the United States Army during World War II. He worked at Bendix in South Bend for 14.5 years and as a purchaser with DelMonte in Plymouth for 14 years, retiring in 1984.
He was a member of the Trinity United Methodist Church, the Plymouth Kilwinning Masonic Lodge 149, F&AM, the Scottish Rite of St. Joseph Valley, the V.F.W., Post 1162 and the Moose Family Lodge, #741.

Jack is survived by two sons: Terry L. (Sherry) Harman and Herbert E. (Ann) Harman, all of Plymouth; six grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren and eight great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife and a sister, Mary Webster.

Friends are invited to celebrate the life of Jack Harman on Tuesday, Oct. 14, 2008, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, Ind.

A Masonic service will be held at 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, in the funeral home.

Funeral services, officiated by the Rev. Kerry O Brien, pastor of Trinity United Methodist Church, will follow the Masonic service at 1 p.m.

Military honors by the Plymouth American Legion Post 27 and the Plymouth V.F.W. Post 1162, will be conducted graveside in New Oakhill Cemetery.

Memorials in Jack’s memory may be made to the American Heart Association or the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care.

To share memories and offer condolences, letters may be sent to the family through the Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com.

Rosellen "Dixie" Hunter  Date of Death 10/11/2008

ROCHESTER — Rosellen “Dixie” Hunter, 86, of Rochester, died at 2:35 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 11, 2008 at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

She is survived by daughters: Lynda (Ted) McCloughan of Rochester, Kay (Robert) Eiler of Alexandria, Wanda (Richard) Wilhelm of Macy and Patsy Rowe of Peru; 15 grandchildren; and 33 great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Wednesday, Oct. 15 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home, and one hour prior to services Thursday. Funeral services are Thursday, Oct. 16 at 10:30 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County and to the American Cancer Society.

Ronald “Ronnie” James Winterrowd  Date of Death 10/11/2008

ROCHESTER — Ronald “Ronnie” James Winterrowd, 64, of Rochester, died at 11:13 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 11, 2008 at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

He is survived by his wife, Martha Winterrowd; daughters: Zorina (Timothy) Lewis of St. Petersburg, Fla. and Stacey (Dennis) Angrick of Greenwood; five grandchildren; sister, Jacksie (Jim) Reiken of Mentone; and brothers: Robert (Karen) Winterrowd of Rochester, Garry Winterrowd of Fort Wayne and Robin W. Winterrowd of Palestine.

Visitation is Tuesday, Oct. 14 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, and one hour prior to the services Wednesday. Funeral services are Wednesday, Oct. 15 at 1 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Fulton County Humane Society Building Fund.

Lynn Dittmer  Date of Death 10/12/2008
WALKERTON — Lynne Dittmer, 59, of Walkerton, died Sunday, Oct. 12, 2008 at home.

She is survived by her husband, Rev. Mike Dittmer of Walkerton; daughters: Rebecca (Tim) Taberski of Plymouth and Wendelyn (Charles) Daly of Walkerton; and mother, Hildred Golomb of Plymouth.

Visitation is Thursday, Oct. 16 from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Blissville Church of the Brethren, Plymouth, and one hour prior to services Friday. Funeral services are Friday, Oct. 17 at 11 a.m. at the church. Burial will be at Morris Cemetery, LaPaz.

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

Maxine L. Kares  Date of Death 10/12/2008

BREMIN — Maxine L. Kares, 92, of Bremen, died Sunday, Oct. 12, 2008 at Bremen Health Care Center.

Maxine was born January 8, 1916 in Marshall County, Ind. to Walter and Viola (Shafer) Kline. She married Horace “Shorty” Kares March 21, 1937. He preceded her in death in 1982.

She graduated from Bremen High School and later worked for Borneman Products for 37 years. She attended Bremen Missionary Church.


She was preceded in death by her parents and a son, Ronnie Kares.

Visitation will take place from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 14, at Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen.

Funeral services will take place at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 15 at the funeral home with burial to follow at Bremen Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Community Hospital of Bremen.

The Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen is assisting the family with arrangements. Condolences may be sent to the family at  www.mishlerfuneralhomes.com  .

Pamela L. Lowe  Date of Death 10/12/2008

ROCHESTER — Pamela L. Lowe, 49, of 5651 North 325 West, Rochester, died at 8:11 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 12, 2008 at Woodlawn Hospital Emergency Room, Rochester. She was born July 23, 1959 in South Bend to Harold “Squeak” and Janet (Mikesell) Lowe.

She graduated from Rochester High School in 1978. She was a bus driver for RSVP of Fulton County for many years and had been a bartender at various places for many years.

She is survived by her mother, Janet Lowe of Rochester; two brothers: Greg (Dona) Lowe of Rochester and Jeff (Cinda) Lowe of Carmel; companion of more than 16 years, Fred A. McGlothin; three stepchildren: Shelly (Rich) Wagoner of Brownsburg, Fred A. McGlothin Jr. of Rochester and Bryce McGlothin of Rochester; niece and nephews: Ashley, Austin and Conner Lowe; and five grandchildren: Kyrsten, Hannah, and Morgan Wagoner and Braxton and Tarick McGlothin.
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She was preceded in death by her father, Harold “Squeak” Lowe in 2001.

A graveside memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 18, 2008 at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery, Rochester, with Pastor Steve Fleck officiating.

Memorials may be made to The Foundation of Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth, 1915 Lake Ave., Plymouth, IN 46563.

Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron, is in charge of the arrangements.

Darlene J. Aultman  Date of Death 10/13/2008

Darlene J. Aultman, 75, died at 12:23 p.m. Monday, Oct. 13, 2008 at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

She is survived by her husband, Robert; children: Barbara (Marlin) Richards of Hammond, Cindy (Gary) Blanchette of Bourbonais, Ill., Cheryl Kirk of Minnesota City, Minn. and Mark (Susan) Aultman of Lowell; 13 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Thursday, Oct. 16 from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Funeral services are Thursday at 4 p.m. at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the Halo of Hope Foundation.

Charles R., Jr. Kline  Date of Death 10/13/2008

PLYMOUTH — Charles R. Kline Jr., 60, of Plymouth, died Monday, Oct. 13, 2008 at Memorial Hospital, South Bend.

He is survived by his wife, Kathy Kline of Plymouth; daughter, Roxanne (Paul Bragg) Kline of Plymouth; son, Neal Kline of Plymouth; father, Charles R. Kline Sr.; sisters: Barb (Danny) Grimmer of South Bend and Brenda Kline of Bremen; brother, John (Yavonne) Kline of South Bend; and one grandchild.

Visitation is Friday, Oct. 17 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth. Funeral services are Friday at 7 p.m. at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the family.

Mackenzie Lanae Boardman-Dausch  Date of Death 10/14/2008

Our little “Angel”, Mackenzie Lanae Boardman-Dausch was stillborn Tuesday, Oct. 14 at Bluffton Regional Hospital to her loving parents, Amber Boardman formerly of Bourbon and Michael Dausch, Jr. of Bluffton.

Mackenzie is also survived by her Grammy; Tammie and Gramps; Howard Boardman of Bourbon, Paternal Grandmother, Janice (Mrs. Bobby) Wolford of Geneva, IN and several Great-grandparents. She also has two sisters, Ashley and Kayla Dausch and a brother, Bret Dausch all of Berne.

She was preceded in death by her Paternal Grandfather, Michael Dausch, Sr.

Funeral services to celebrate Mackenzie’s life will be held on Friday, Oct. 17 at 1:30 p.m. in Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, 115 S. Main St. Bourbon.

The family will receive friends from 12:30 p.m. until time of funeral services Friday in the funeral home.
Burial will follow in the Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Bourbon.
Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home is in charge of local arrangements.

**Robert Donald Boller  Date of Death 10/14/2008**


He is survived by his wife, Margaret Boller of Hot Springs, Ark.; two sons and daughters-in-law: James Robert Boller and his wife, Suzanne of Cleveland, Ohio and David Craig Boller and his wife, Jill of Detroit, Mich.; one grandchild; and two adopted grandchildren.

Memorial services will be held 11 a.m., Friday, Oct. 24, 2008 in the First Lutheran Church, Hot Springs, Ark. Services will be under the direction of Davis-Smith Funeral Home, Hot Springs, Ark.

Interment will be in the Davenport Memorial Park Cemetery, Davenport, Iowa.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 22718, Oklahoma City, OK 73123-1718 or First Lutheran Church, 105 Village Road, Hot Springs, AR 71913.

**Jack E. Campbell  Date of Death 10/14/2008**

CULVER — Jack E. Campbell, 81 of Culver, passed away on Oct. 14, 2008 at home.

Jack was born on May 20, 1927 in Kendallville to Marvel (Eddy) and Orrin D. Campbell, who preceded him in death.

He graduated from Rome City (Indiana) High School in 1945. He immediately enlisted in the Navy and served at Subic Bay in the Philippine Islands for more than a year during WWII.

In 1950, he married Lila Joyce Campbell in Fort Wayne. She preceded him in death in 1982.

Jack married Marilyn Steele in 1986 in Kokomo, Indiana. She survives.

Other survivors include three children, David of Rochester, Jack, Jr. (Linn) of Culver, and Susan (Roger) Thews of Culver; three stepchildren: Mary Catherine (James) Shockney of Katy, Texas, Susan Steele of Indianapolis, and John Steele of Fort Wayne; 13 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Jack started in the boat business at an early age when his parents opened a marina in Rome City, Ind. in 1932. In 1953, he and his father purchased the Culver Boat Company on the south end of Lake Maxinkuckee. He operated at that location until 1975 when he built the Culver Marina on the south east corner of the lake. Jack retired in 2004 after the sale of the business.

He was an avid circus and carnival enthusiast. He enjoyed restoring antique rides and opening them up for the public on Sunday afternoons at the marina. In 1997 he hosted the National Carousel Convention where his restoration of a 1927 Allan Herschell Carousel won an award. All of the rides and band organ were purchased by a museum in Olcott Beach, New York where they are now on display. Jack also enjoyed restoring Chris Craft boats. Many of the boats on Lake Maxinkuckee were restored under his supervision. He was a member of the Lions Club, Wesley United Methodist Church, and a 61 year member of the American Legion.

Visitation with the family will be held Oct. 17, 2008 from 4 to 8 p.m. EDT at the Bonine-Odom Funeral Home in Culver. Rev. Larry Saunders will officiate services on Oct. 18, 2008 at 11 a.m. EDT at the Wesley United Methodist Church, 511 School St., Culver, with visitation one hour before the service. Burial will follow at the Culver Masonic Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be given to the Wesley United Methodist Church Building Fund.
Mildred O. Jones  Date of Death 10/15/2008

WEST LAFAYETTE — Mildred O. Jones, 94, of West Lafayette, formerly of Nappanee, died Wednesday, Oct. 15, 2008 at 10:30 a.m. at George Davis Manor, West Lafayette.

She is survived by daughters: Joan E. (Robert) Cassell of West Lafayette and Judy A. (Lonnie) Miller of Lafayette; 13 grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; and sisters: Jessie Price of Bremen, Esther Wagoner of Plymouth, Marion Tharp of Plymouth and Ruth Fox of Wakarusa.

Visitation is Friday, Oct. 17 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee, and one hour prior to the service Saturday. Funeral services are Saturday, Oct. 18 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at Bremen Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Living Gospel Church.

Brian Gilbert Williamson  Date of Death 10/17/2008

NORTH JUDSON — Brian Gilbert Williamson was stillborn Friday, Oct. 17, 2008 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Survivors include: parents, Jessica Tolson of North Judson and Brian Williamson of Plymouth; grandparents: Anna Campbell of North Judson and Wilgus R. (Kim) Tolson of Monterey and Doug and Mary Workman of Bourbon; great-grandparents: Dexter Howard of Jackson, Ky., Wilgus Tolson of North Judson and Ray Williamson of Atwood.

Visitation will be Wednesday, Oct. 22 from 10:30 a.m.to noon Central Time at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel. A private family graveside service will follow.

Cynthia M. Carlson  Date of Death 10/18/2008

PLYMOUTH — Cynthia Carlson, 60, of 912 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, passed away Saturday, Oct. 18, 2008, at 6:10 a.m., at Saint Joseph Regional Medical, South Bend.

Cynthia was born, in Plymouth, on Oct. 16, 1948, to George and Teresa (Hartman) Lemar. On Jan. 12, 1985, Cynthia and John Carlson were married at the Plymouth Wesleyan Church.

Cindee was a member of the Plymouth Wesleyan Church and the Ladies Auxiliary of the V.F.W. in Culver. She had worked at the Culver Academies in the computer department and had been a child care provider.

Cindee is survived by her husband, John Carlson; her daughters: Stephanie Lynn (Randy) Schoolman of Plymouth, Jennifer (Brad) Hoop of Indianapolis, Julie (Gabe) Blissmer of Plymouth; her sons: Cristian Lemar (Amy) May of Plymouth and Jerry (Stephanie) Carlson of Kouts; her sister, Anna (Don) Neher of Culver; her brothers: David (Marilyn) Lemar of Washington and Jerry Lemar of Florida. Also surviving are 12 grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, Oct. 22, 2008, at 11 a.m., at the Plymouth Wesleyan Church, 11203 S. Michigan Rd., Plymouth, IN, 46563, with the Rev. John Branch officiating.

A time of visiting, with the Carlson Family, will be Tuesday, Oct. 21, 2008, from 2 to 7 p.m., at the VAN GILDER FUNERAL HOME, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, IN 46563, and from 10 to 11 a.m. at the Church on Wednesday, prior to the funeral. The Ladies Auxiliary of the V.F.W.
will hold a service at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, in the funeral home.

Burial will be in the Swedish Cemetery, Donaldson.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Plymouth Wesleyan Church.

Family and friends are invited to sign the guest book and share memories, of Cindee, with her family, at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com

Buel D. Wheeler  Date of Death 10/18/2008

PLYMOUTH – Buel D. Wheeler, 84, of 805 Baker St., Plymouth, died in Pilgrim Manor, of natural causes, at 1 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 18, 2008.

Born in Woodburn, Ky., on April 6, 1924, Buel was the son of John E. and Zula Wheeler.

He attended school until the 8th grade.

On April 17, 1945, in the Pine Creek Church of the Brethren, Buel and Martha Hoover were married. Martha died on Jan. 7, 1986.

Most of his life Buel was a mason worker. He was always known as a conscientious and extremely hard worker. He retired in 1986, from the Whiteford Truck Line, South Bend.

He was a NASCAR fan, rooting on Mark Martin. He loved horses and often traveled to horse shows on the weekends with his son David.

He was a member of the VFW, the American Legion, the Moose Family Lodge and the Sheriff’s Posse.

Buel is survived by a son and two daughters. They are: David B. (Cindy) Wheeler, South Bend: Joy (Wayne) Williams, Syracuse, and Joan (Robert) Servis, Plymouth.

Thirteen grandchildren also survive. They are: David’s children: Matthew, Stephen and Angela Wheeler. Joy’s children are: Amanda Hostetler, Tim Hostetler and James Williams. Also Joan’s family includes Jennifer Hoop, Julie Blissmer and Jerry Carlson. Jean’s children are: Donald, Jimmy, Scott and Todd Boocher.

Several great-grandchildren survive as well.

A sister, Beatrice Perry of Tennessee, and companion of 20 years, Mary Kloenne, survive as well.

Buel was preceded in death by his parents, Martha, his spouse, a daughter, Jean Boocher and two brothers, John B. and James C. Wheeler

Friends are invited to celebrate the life of Buel Wheeler with his family from 4 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 22, 2008, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services, officiated by Ben Norton, will take place in the funeral home at 7 p.m. after visitation on Wednesday evening.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery.

Memorial gifts may be made to the American Cancer Association.

Letters of condolence and the sharing of memories may be sent to the family via www.johnson-
Sheryl L. Goetz  Date of Death 10/19/2008

GROVERTOWN — Sheryl L. Goetz, 70, died Sunday, Oct. 19, 2008 at home.

She is survived by her husband, Fred Goetz; daughters: Mary Ellen (Roger) Pendowski of Kouts, Kari (Doug) Romine of LaCrosse and Kelly (Rod) Schroeder of Bremen; two sons: Fred (Lisa) Goetz Jr. of Kouts and James (Lynn) Goetz of Highland; 11 grandchildren; a sister, Patricia Macknick of Illinois; and brothers: Steve Hayward and Michael Hayward, both of Illinois.

Services will be Thursday, Oct. 23 at 11 a.m. Central Time at Holy Cross Church of Hamlet. Burial will be at Sacred Heart Cemetery, Wanatah. Visitation is Wednesday, Oct. 22 from 4 to 8 p.m. CDT and Thursday from 9 to 9:30 a.m. at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel, where a rosary service will be held at 4 p.m. Wednesday.

Memorial contributions may be given to Gift of Hope Organ & Tissue Donor Network, 660 N. Industrial Dr., Elmhurst, IL 60126-1520.

Ruth A. Karn  Date of Death 10/19/2008


She is survived by sons: Shawn Rodriguez of Gulfport, Fla., Ramon (Cheryl) Rodriguez of Rock Springs, Wyo., Joe (Beth) Rodriguez of Leiters Ford, Dean Rodriguez of Missouri, Jay Gragg of Wyoming, Roy (Patty) Gragg of Roseland, William (Diane) Karn of South Bend and Cecil Karn of Niles, Mich.; daughters: Helen (Barnard) Bell of Delong and Melody Gragg of Missouri; 16 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; and 22 great-great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Wednesday, Oct. 22 from 2 to 8 p.m. at Delong Gospel Lighthouse Church. Funeral services are Thursday, Oct. 23 at 2 p.m at the church. Burial will be at Leiters Ford IOOF Cemetery.

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

Ronald L. Sowers  Date of Death 10/19/2008

Ronald L. Sowers, 70, died Tuesday, Oct. 19, 2008 in Bremen. He was born in Dover, Mo., and was an attorney for 30 years. He attended the University of Notre Dame and received a Bachelor of Arts degree and Juris Doctor Degree in 1969. He served in the United States Marine Corps and was a retired reserved officer achieving the rank of Colonel. Ron served throughout the world in the Sixth Fleet aboard all vessels from small landing craft to the USS Eisenhower.

He was a skilled practicing trial attorney and concentrated his practice in complex and catastrophic civil cases with an emphasis on medical negligence litigation. He was admitted to practice in Indiana before both federal and state courts, including the United States Supreme Court. He was a member of the Allen County Bar Association, Indiana State Bar Association, Marshall County Bar Association, St. Joseph County Bar Association, Elkhart County Bar Association, the Allen County Trial Lawyers Association, the American Judicature Society, the American Board of Trial Advocates, and multiple other distinguished legal organizations.

Ron was a frequent lecturer and made presentations to the American Board of Trial Advocates Masters in Trial program. Ron was tireless in his devotion to the legal profession that he so cherished and to his beloved University of Notre Dame and United States Marine Corps. Ron’s legal experience included his 30 plus years of practice in Fort Wayne where he was the senior partner of Sowers and Associates. He tried civil damage cases in state and federal courts throughout the United States and enjoyed an association with numerous trial lawyers in multiple states and counties throughout Indiana.
In 2005 he became a senior partner in Sowers, Newcomb and Associates in Bremen, where he continued his litigation practice until his death. In addition to his many accomplishments as a trial lawyer, Ron had extensive maritime training and education.

He was a graduate of the Chapman School of Seamanship and operated a family business in Naples, Fla. that engaged in vessel management services. His maritime experience included the Atlantic Ocean, Mediterranean Sea, Chesapeake Bay, Gulf of Mexico and multiple other waterways and courses. He was a skilled seaman that included a wide range of vessels and extensive experience in piloting, navigation, electronics, and weather. He was a former member of the American Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers, the Society of Accredited Marine Surveyors, American Society of Naval Engineers and held United States Coast Guard certification in all major amphibian systems.

Survivors include his wife, Pamela Sowers of Plymouth; daughters: Julie (Alex) Palomares of Colorado Springs, Colo., Jennifer (Sam) Shaus of Ruther Glenn, Va., Jill (Anthony) Bonnett of Sheboygan, Wis.; step-daughter, Deborah (Ryan) Gobiel of Naples, Fla.; grandchildren: Amelia, David and Amanda Palomares, Nicholas DeRidder, Christopher & William Bonnett, Whitney & Emily Gobiel; sister, Kiddy Chloe Johnson of Seattle, Wash.; cousin, Linda (George) Giblin.

Visitation hours are 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday at D.O. McComb & Sons Covington Knolls Funeral Home, 8325 Covington Road with burial in Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Va. at a later date.

Betty M. (Slagle) Coleman Date of Death 10/20/2008

PLYMOUTH – Betty M. (Slagle) Coleman, 84, a former resident of Carriage Green Apts, Plymouth, died of natural causes at 5:02 a.m. Monday morning in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth. She lived in Marshall County almost 70 years, coming from Valparaiso.

Betty was born the daughter of Harry and Ida Mae (Horak) Slagle in Valparaiso, on Dec. 18, 1923 and attended Valparaiso High School.

On Feb. 12, 1944, in Huntsville, Ala., Betty and LeRoy A. Coleman were married. LeRoy died on March 13, 1972.

Betty worked as a torque tube cutter for Hehr International for 17 years, retiring in 1987.

She enjoyed playing Bingo and euchre. She collected ceramic pigs and was adept at working crossword puzzles.

Through the years, Betty became “Nana” to the many, many children that she babysat. Even recently, on occasion, little ones would come to stay with her. Derrick Beatty especially loved staying at “Nana’s.” He was a terrific help to her as she got older and wasn’t able to get around very well.

She also enjoyed her police scanner and playing “detective.” She was the very first tenant to rent an apartment at Carriage Green and although she just recently changed addresses, the children there really enjoyed stopping by to help her out.

Betty is survived by two daughters and a son. They are Deborah (Les) Booker of Bremen and Dorothy (Jon) Hawkins, of Plymouth, and Charles “Buck” Coleman and fiancée, Barb of LaPaz. Her grandchildren include: Angela Joseph, Chad Booker, Cory Hawkins, Shelle (Christian) Sepe, Tony Coleman, Tracy (Sheldon) O’Connor and Angie Beatty. Seventeen great-grandchildren survive as well.
Surviving as well are a brother, Frank (Eunice) Slagle and a sister, Ida Mae Montague, both of Valparaiso, with several nephews and nieces and many dear friends and former neighbors who will miss her.

Betty was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, two sons, Doug and Dennis and a daughter, Charlene.

Friends are invited to celebrate the life of Betty Coleman on Wednesday, Oct. 22 from 4 to 8 p.m. EDT in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St. Plymouth and continue after 7 a.m. on Thursday until time of services at 11 a.m. EDT. The Reverends Bob Rice and James Archambeault will officiate.

Graveside services will be held at 3 p.m. EDT in the Oak Grove Cemetery located west of LaCrosse on County Road 1100.

Memorial gifts may be made to the St. Jude’s Childrens Hospital or the Marshall County Humane Society.

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

Mary A. Holewinski  Date of Death 10/20/2008

BREMEN — Mary A. Holewinski, 86, of Bremen, died Monday, Oct. 20, 2008 at Community Hospital of Bremen.

She is survived by her husband, Erwin Holewinski of Bremen; sons: Erwin “Bud” (Brenda) Holewinski Jr. of Elkhart and Dennis Holewinski of Lakeville; three grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter.

Visitation is Thursday, Oct. 23 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen. Funeral services are Friday, Oct. 24 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at the Bremen Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the organization of one’s choice.

Millicent Hall Kelley  Date of Death 10/20/2008

Millicent Hall Kelley, 96, of Massillon, Ohio, formerly of Bremen, died Monday, Oct. 20, 2008, at Rose Lane Health Center in Massillon, Ohio.

He is survived by daughters: Patsy Kelley of McCall, Idaho and Dixie Beck of Clinton, Ohio; three grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and a brother, Stewart Hall of Plymouth.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 25 at Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen. Burial will take place at St. Paul’s Cemetery in Woodland. Visitation is from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 24 and one hour before the service Saturday at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Paul’s Lutheran School in Bremen.

David Lee Scott  Date of Death 10/20/2008

WALKERTON — David Lee Scott, 60, died Monday, Oct. 20, 2008 at 6:15 p.m. in LaPorte Hospital.

He is survived by a daughter, Gina (Butch) Petty of Plainfield; a son, Nathan (Aubrie) Divine-Scott of Madison, Wis.; his partner, Annette Goforth of Walkerton; brother, Jerry (June) Scott of Sargent, Texas; and four grandchildren.
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Funeral services will be Thursday, Oct. 23 at 1 p.m. Eastern Time at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel. Burial will be at the Woodlawn Cemetery, Walkerton, where military graveside services will be conducted. Visitation is Wednesday, Oct. 22 from 4 to 8 p.m. EDT and Thursday from 11 a.m. until the time of services at the funeral home.

Stanley D. Teel  Date of Death 10/20/2008

ROCHESTER — Stanley D. Teel, 89, of Rochester, died at 6:06 a.m. Monday, Oct. 20, 2008 at home.

He is survived by daughters: Cozetta (Richard) Piper of Rochester and Cynthia (Terry) Bowers of Antwerp, Ohio; five grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Wednesday, Oct. 22 from 5 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to services Thursday at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Funeral services are Thursday, Oct. 23 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Trinity United Methodist Church or to Hope Hospice of Fulton County.

Earl Frederick Beron  Date of Death 10/21/2008

NAPPANEE — Earl Frederick Beron, 85, of Nappanee, went to his heavenly home at 5:30 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 21, 2008 at Hubbard Hill Estates, Elkhart.

A long-time resident of Lakeville, Earl was born Aug. 5, 1923 in South Bend to the late Fredrick Lewis and Ida L. (Kaser) Beron. He is survived by his wife Inez, and his children: Sharon (Jon) Bohannon of Bremen, Terrie (Larry) Gates of Warsaw, Frederic (Kris) Beron of Plymouth, Marsha (Randy) Sime of Bremen, Anita (Ken) McGuire of Pacific, Mo.; Bruce (Barbara) Beron of Elkhart; and a son-in-law, Errett Hicks of South Bend. Also surviving are 17 grandchildren, and 17 great-grandchildren.

Mr. Beron was preceded in death by his daughter Karen Sue Hicks on May 31, 2005, and sisters: Bernice (Harold) Goodling and Marie (George) Hively.

Earl grew up in North Liberty, graduating from North Liberty High School in 1941. On Dec. 24, 1943, he married Inez Rensberger at St. John’s Lutheran Church, North Liberty. In 1950, he built the family home on Riley Road, Lakeville, and remained there until 2006.

During WWII, Earl joined the United States Army, was trained in the infantry and transferred to the Air Force serving in Headquarters Squadron on Okinawa, Japan, in the Far Eastern Air Service Command until the war ended, in August 1946.

Prior to his service, he was a farmer. With the housing boom after the war, he learned carpentry and eventually developed his own successful building contractor business—Beron Construction - constructing many new residential homes, commercial and farm buildings in the area, until his retirement in 1990. In semi-retirement, he enjoyed working for the Vincent Raymond family at Distributors, Inc. wholesale book distributors, until about 2004.

Dad found joy with family, especially when all were gathered for holidays and special occasions. In his earlier retirement years, he was content to putter in his personal woodwork shop where he crafted small pieces, such as nativity mangers and other small items from a variety of wood scraps.

Our thanks to the staffs at Heritage House, Nappanee; Elkhart General Hospital and Hubbard Hill Nursing Home, as well as Hospice from Goshen Health Center, for their empathy and care during Earl’s last days with us.
Services were held Friday, Oct. 24, 2008 at Lakeville Baptist Church. Rev. Vito Rulli officiated. Graveside services and burial followed at Fair Cemetery, North Liberty.

Contributions in memory of Earl F. Beron may be offered to World Missionary Press, P.O. Box 120, New Paris, IN 46553-0120, or to Lakeside Baptist Church, 515 Michigan Trail, Lakeville, IN 46536.

Elmer "Pete" Lamar Botset  Date of Death 10/23/2008

Elmer “Pete” Lamar Botset, 84, of Knoxville, Tenn., formerly of Bremen, died Thursday, Oct. 23, 2008 at the Hillcrest Healthcare West in Knoxville, Tenn.

He is survived by daughters: Vicki (Daniel) Abata of DeForest, Wis., Connie (George) Jansen of Cincinnati, Ohio, and Kathy (Steve) Schwepler of Knoxville, Tenn.; five grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and brother, Elmore Botset of Mishawaka.

Visitation is Saturday, Nov. 1 from 9 a.m. until the time of service at the Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen. Funeral services are Saturday at 11 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will take place at the Bremen Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Community Hospital of Bremen.

Ralph D. Klingerman  Date of Death 10/23/2008

Ralph D. Klingerman, of Cannon Beach, Ore., died Thursday, Oct. 23, 2008 at home.

He is survived by his wife, N. Gail Wright of Cannon Beach, Ore.; son, David (Gladys) Klingerman of Kenosha, Wis.; daughter, Arlene (Michael) Stahly of Seaside, Ore.; seven grandchildren; brother, Marvin (Norma) Klingerman of Plymouth; and sisters-in-law, Mary Ellen Klingerman of Bremen and Iris Klingerman of Walkerton.

A military memorial service will be held at a later date.

Mildred “Millie” Lucille Meiser  Date of Death 10/23/2008

ROCHESTER — Mildred “Millie” Lucille Meiser, 85, of Rochester, died at 1:13 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 23, 2008 at home.

She is survived by her husband, Harold; sons: Bruce (Jill) Meiser of Mishawaka, Tom (Sue) Meiser of Ft. Wayne, Max (Kathy) Meiser of Fishers and Mark Meiser of Louisville, Ky.; brother, Ernest (Claire) Mathews of Lakeville; and eight grandchildren.

Visitation is Saturday, Oct. 25 from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, and one hour prior to services Sunday. Funeral services are Sunday, Oct. 26 at 1 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Carolyn F. Strong  Date of Death 10/23/2008

PLYMOUTH — Carolyn F. Strong, 64, of 1202 Sycamore St., Plymouth, passed away at 5:45 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 23, 2008, at her home.


Carolyn is survived by her son, James Strong of Plymouth; her daughters: Oletta Webb of
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Plymouth, Lori (Jeff) Powers of Plymouth, and Julie Moyer of Arizona; seven grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Monday, Oct. 27, 2008, at 1 p.m., at the VAN GILDER FUNERAL HOME, with Chaplin Thomas Padberg officiating.

A time of visiting with the Strong family, will be on Monday, Oct. 27, 2008, from Noon until time of service at 1 p.m., at the VAN GILDER FUNERAL HOME, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, 112 South Center Street, Plymouth, IN 46563.

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

Robert Wayne Evans  Date of Death 10/24/2008

Robert Wayne Evans, 68, of Rochester, died at 2:24 a.m. Friday, Oct. 24, 2008 at home.

He is survived by his brothers: Raymond W. Evans of Smith, Ala., Marvell E. Evans of Trenton, Mo. and Steve Evans of Petersburg.

Visitation is Monday, Oct. 27 from 9:30 a.m. until the time of the service at 11 a.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Burial will be at the Marion National Cemetery. A military honor service will be conducted.

Nina Marie Heltzel  Date of Death 10/24/2008

BREMEN — Nina Marie Heltzel, 77, of Bremen, died Friday Oct. 24, 2008 in her home. She is survived by her husband, William Heltzel; two sons: Joe (Lori) Manning of Bremen and Bryan (Angie) Heltzel of Milford; two daughters: Penny (Baziel) Vrient of Elkhart and Kim (Terry) Lamb of Plymouth; nine grandchildren, one great-grandchild, four sisters and five brothers.

Visitation will take place from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 28 at Mishler Funeral Home, 2030 State Road 331, Bremen.

Funeral services will take place Wednesday, Oct. 29 at 10:30 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will follow at the Bremen Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Marshall County or the American Cancer Society.

Vivian M. Holcomb Mersch  Date of Death 10/24/2008

ROCHESTER — Vivian M. Holcomb Mersch, 71, of Jackson Blvd. Rochester died Friday, Oct. 24, 2008 at Pulaski Memorial Hospital at 5:05 p.m.

She is survived by two daughters: Juanita (Joe) Rude of Kewanna and Julie (John) Mooney of Rochester; three sons: Scott (Carla) Mersch of Kewanna, Bart (Crystal) Mersch of Troy, Mo. and Stacey (Patty) Mersch of Nappanee; 19 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; two sisters: Sally Reed of Winamac and Joan (Stan) Utter of Rochester; four brothers: Orville (Katheryn) Holcomb of Lowell, Ind., Keith (Ruthann) Holcomb of Griffith, Ind., Jerry (Patsy) Holcomb of Anderson, Ind. and Joe (Barbara) Holcomb of Plymouth, Ind. and a sister-in-law, Henrietta Holcomb of Rochester.
Visitation will take place Tuesday, Oct. 28 from 3 to 8 p.m. at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St. Rochester.

Funeral services will take place Wednesday, Oct. 29 at 10 a.m. at St. Ann's Catholic Church of Kewanna.

Burial will follow at Moon Cemetery.

Yilmaz Negiz  Date of Death 10/24/2008

BREMEN — Yilmaz Negiz, 45, of Bremen, passed away on Friday, Oct. 24, 2008 in St. Joseph County as a result of an automobile accident.

Survivors include his wife Loretta Negiz of Bremen; a son, Arif Negiz of Bremen; a daughter, Elif Negiz at home; three brothers: Zeki, Ayhan and Murat, all of Turkey; five sisters: Hediye, Inci, Elif, Saniye and Suna, all of Turkey; his parents: Sukru and Lutfiye Negiz of Turkey, Mother-in-Law: Martha Monhaut of Bremen and 12 nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held at a later date

Memorials may be made to the National Right to Life (www.nrlc.org ), St. Paul’s Lutheran School, 605 S. Center St., Bremen, IN 46506, or Community Hospital of Bremen, 1144 W. Plymouth St.

Sally A. Baes  Date of Death 10/25/2008

KNOX — Sally A. Baes, 67, died Saturday, Oct. 25, 2008 in her home.

Survivors include one daughter, Kimberly (Rick) Berg of Grovertown; two sons: Nicholas (Monica) Southwell of Plymouth and Monte (Jennifer) Southwell of Valparaiso; eight grandchildren; three sisters: Helen Brooks of Richmond, Va., Evelyn Knuth of Florida and Ruth Dean of Eau Claire, Mich.; and two brothers: Paul Baes and Ed Baes, both of Coloma, Mich.

Funeral services will be Thursday at 11:30 a.m. Central Time at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel. Visitation is Thursday from 10 a.m. CDT until the time of services. A graveside service will be held Thursday at 2:30 p.m. CDT (3:30 p.m. EDT) at the chapel at North Shore Memory Gardens Cemetery, Coloma, Mich.

Agnes C. Hartman  Date of Death 10/25/2008

MONTEREY — Agnes C. Hartman, 99, died Saturday, Oct. 25 at Pulaski Memorial Hospital, Winamac, Ind. at 3:58 a.m.

She is survived by a brother, Winfred H. Hartman of Mesa, Ariz.; three sisters: Dorothy Morrison of Mesa, Ariz., Mildred Simpson of Higginsville, Mo. and Gertrude Hahn of Apache Junction, Ariz. and numerous nieces and nephews and great-nieces and nephews.

Visitation will take place Wednesday, Oct. 29 from 5 to 8 p.m. at Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver.

Funeral services will take place Thursday, Oct. 30 at 10 a.m. at St. Anne's Catholic Church, Monterey.

Burial will follow at St. Anne's Catholic Cemetery.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family through the Web site at www.boineodom.com.
Edna B. Holloway  Date of Death 10/26/2008

ROCHESTER — Edna B. Holloway, 75, of Rochester, died at 9:05 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 26, 2008 at Life Care Center of Rochester.

She is survived by daughters: Sharon (Charles) Alderfer of Rochester, Sheila (Phillip) Hager of Akron and Vickie Escobar of Rochester; 10 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; sisters: Eva Reese of Rochester, Mildred Amigh of Rochester and Alberta Smith of Rochester; and brothers: Melvin (Gladise) Collins of Rochester and Merl Collins of Rochester.

Visitation is Wednesday, Oct. 29 from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Funeral services are Wednesday at 6 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at Citizens Cemetery.

Ben Rose  Date of Death 10/26/2008


He is survived by his children: John Rose of Argos, Frances Brady of Rockport, Texas, Mary A. Fisher of Nappanee, Albert Rose of Plymouth, Charles Rose of Nappanee and Irene Knickewicz of Nappanee; sister, Emily Rose of Chicago, Ill.; 19 grandchildren; and 18 great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Tuesday, Oct. 28 from 4 to 8 p.m. (CDT) at M.C. Smith Funeral Home, Knox. A funeral mass will be Wednesday, Oct. 29 at 10 a.m. (CDT) at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church. Interment will take place at St. Jacob Cemetery, North Judson.

Gladys E. Deeds  Date of Death 10/28/2008

ROCHESTER — Gladys E. Deeds, 90, of Rochester, died at 10:55 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 28, 2008 at home.

She is survived by daughters: Jenice Armstrong of Rochester and Deanna A. (Stan) Bagley of North Manchester; sons: Eugene O. (Karen) Deeds of Rochester and Earl O. (Carolyn) Deeds Jr. of Rochester; seven grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; one great-great-granddaughter; sister, Mary Kathryn Campbell of Akron; and brothers: Clifford (Hazel) Walker of Peru and Melvin (Jewell) Walker of Wabash.

Visitation is Friday, Oct. 31 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, and one hour prior to services Saturday. Funeral services are Saturday, Nov. 1 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at the Chili Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County.

David R. Faber  Date of Death 10/28/2008

PLYMOUTH — David R. Faber, 54, of Plymouth, died Tuesday, Oct. 28, 2008 at home.

He is survived by his parents, John A. and Carol N. (Neidigh) Faber of Plymouth.

Visitation is Saturday, Nov. 1 from 10:30 a.m. to noon at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, where services will be conducted at noon. Burial will be at New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorials may be made to the Mission Fund of Trinity United Methodist Church.

PLYMOUTH – David R. Faber, 54, a resident of Indiana Ave., Plymouth, died at his home, following a brief illness, on Tuesday, Oct. 28, 2008.
David was born in Plymouth on Oct. 19, 1954, the son of John A. and Carol N. (Neidigh) Faber.

He was a 1974 graduate of Coral Gables High School, Coral Gables, Fla.

David, a member of the Disabled American Veterans, having served his country in the United States Army in the DMZ as a Spec. 5 Joint Security courier messenger under the direction of the CIA.

He loved sailing, fishing local lakes and catching Reds in the open ocean. He was a metal detecting enthusiast. He had biked across Europe and canoed throughout the state of Florida with the Sea Scouts.

David is survived by his parents and two brothers: Douglas Faber of Atlanta, Ga., and Dan A. and his wife Dale Faber of Montgomery, Ala.

Three nieces, Kristen Faber and Carol Ann Faber both of Baltimore, Md., and Eliose Faber, a student at Auburn University in Alabama, along with several aunts, uncles, cousins and friends, survive as well.

David was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Carl E. and Ethel Neidigh and John P. and Florine Faber, paternal grandparents.

Friends are invited to share memories of David with his family on Saturday, Nov. 1, 2008, at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, from 10:30 a.m. until noon.

Funeral services for David will follow visitation at noon in the funeral home. Rev. Dan A. Faber, David’s brother and the Minister of Missions at the Montgomery Trinity Presbyterian Church and the Rev. Kerry O’Brien, pastor of Trinity United Methodist Church will officiate.

Members of the Plymouth American Legion Post 27 will provide military honors.

Burial will be in the New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in David’s memory may be made to the Mission Fund of the Trinity United Methodist Church, 425 S. Michigan St., Plymouth, IN 46563

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

**Beulah M. George**  Date of Death 10/28/2008

WAKARUSA — Beulah M. George, 83, of Wakarusa, died at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 28, 2008 at Miller’s Merry Manor, Wakarusa.

She is survived by sons: Jim (Debbie) George of Wakarusa and Steve (Jeannine) George of Middlebury; daughters: Jane George of Wakarusa and Sandy (Duane) Casteel of Wakarusa; eight grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; brother, Carl “Wilb” Bollman of Frankfort; and sisters: Lucille “Lucy” Gygi of Elkhart and Ruth Ann (Bill) Hartman of Syracuse.

Visitation is Thursday, Oct. 30 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. at Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee, and one hour prior to services Friday. Funeral services are Friday, Oct. 31 at 10:30 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at South Union Cemetery, Nappanee.

Memorials may be made to the Wakarusa Library.

**Alice M. Gerrard**  Date of Death 10/29/2008
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PLYMOUTH — Alice M. Gerrard, 86, of 1009 W. LaPorte St., Plymouth, passed away at 1:07 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 29, 2008, at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Alice was born Nov. 5, 1921 in DeLong to Benjamin and Bertha (Johnson) Washburn. She retired from American Optical, in Plymouth, and worked as a Title Clerk for the State of Florida. She belonged to the Marshall County Mental Health Association for 10 years and for eight years was the secretary of AARP. Alice was a member of the First United Church of Christ, in Plymouth. She had lived in Plymouth from 1935 to 1976, moved to Florida from 1976 to 1988, and then moved back to Plymouth.

Alice is survived by her son, David W. Gerrard of Plymouth; her grandchildren: James Gerrard of Indiana, Amanda (Brian) Tobolski of Plymouth, Amelia Sickmiller of Argos, Eric Gerrard of Lakeville, and Matthew (Jennifer) Gerrard of Illinois; and eight great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her sons: James F. Gerrard and Dennis R. Gerrard; her sister; and three brothers.

Funeral services for Alice will be held Monday, Nov. 3, 2008 at 10:30 a.m. at the VAN GILDER FUNERAL HOME, with the Rev. Charles Krieg officiating. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

A time of visiting with the Gerrard family will be Sunday, Nov. 2, 2008, from 3 to 6 p.m., at the VAN GILDER FUNERAL HOME, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

The family would like for memorial contributions be given to the First United Church of Christ, 321 N. Center St., Plymouth, IN, 46563.

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

Fred L. Richardson  Date of Death 10/29/2008

TIPPECANOE — Fred L. Richardson, 77, of 1324 19th Rd., Tippecanoe, died at 6:35 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 29, 2008 at home. He was born Sept. 3, 1931 in Athens, Ind. to Talfred and Sylvia (Werner) Richardson. He graduated from Talma High School in 1950. He was a lifelong farmer. He was retired from the Tippecanoe Volunteer Fire Department. He served in the National Guard. He enjoyed attending various Hit and Miss Engine and Historic Power shows. He was an avid hunter and fisher and enjoyed various outdoor activities.

He is survived by his wife, Virginia Richardson of Tippecanoe; sons: Rick (Jana) Richardson of Tippecanoe and Randy (Darlene) Richardson of Mentone; sister, Katherine Kizer of Michigan; brother, Bill (Donna) Richardson of Schoolcraft, Mich.; two grandchildren: Crystal (Chuck) Shafer and John Maahs; and five great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one grandson, Robert Richardson in 1988; one sister, Annabelle Kohl; three brothers: Bob, Cliff and James Richardson; and his parents.

Visitation is Saturday, Nov. 1 from 5 to 8 p.m. at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone. Funeral services are Sunday, Nov. 2 at 2 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at Tippecanoe Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the American Diabetes Association.

Online condolences can be sent to: www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com
Fred L. Richardson, 77, of 1324 19th Road, Tippecanoe, died at 6:35 a.m. Wednesday at home.

Born in Athens, he was the son of Talfred and Sylvia Werner Richardson. He graduated from
Talma High School in 1950.

On May 4, 1952, he married Virginia R. Scott in Rochester, and she survives.

He served in the National Guard and was a lifelong farmer. He retired from the Tippecanoe Volunteer Fire Department.

He was an avid hunter and fisherman and enjoyed a variety of other outdoor activities. He liked to attend hit-and-miss engine and historic power shows.

In addition to his wife, Virginia Richardson, Tippecanoe, he is survived by two sons, Rick and wife Jana Richardson, Tippecanoe, and Randy and wife Darlene Richardson, Mentone; a sister, Katherine Kizer, Michigan; a brother, Bill and wife Donna Richardson, Schoolcraft, Mich.; two grandchildren, Crystal and husband Chuck Shafer and John Maahs; and five great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a grandson, Robert Richardson, in 1988; a sister, Annabelle Kohl; three brothers, Bob, Cliff and James Richardson; and his parents.

His funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Sunday at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone, with Pastor Larry Kreft officiating. Burial will be at Tippecanoe Cemetery, Tippecanoe. Visitation will be from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the American Diabetes Association. Online condolences can be sent at www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

Myrl Annis Crum  Date of Death 10/30/2008

ARGOS — Myrl Annis Crum, 84, of 11654 West 18B Rd., Argos, died Thursday, Oct. 30, 2008 at 3:50 p.m. at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester, following a week-long illness. He was born Oct. 25, 1924 in Burr Oak to Annis Victor and Ida Grace Crum.


He served his country in the United States Army during World War II from 1945-1946 in the 3766th Quartermaster Truck Company where he earned the rank of Sergeant. He was a member of the Jordan Baptist Church of Argos and a former member of the James Lowell Corey, American Legion Post #68 of Argos. He graduated from Culver High School with the class of 1944.


He was preceded in death by his parents; first wife, Katherine; son, Myrl Crum Jr.; brothers: LeRoy “Bus” Crum and Bruce Crum; and sister, Peggy Morris.

Friends may visit with the family Monday, Nov. 3 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos. Services will be at 2 p.m. Monday, Oct. 3 at the funeral home. Rev. Robert Rice and Rev. Thomas Tupps will officiate. Burial will be at New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.
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Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 601 W. Edison, Mishawaka, IN 46545

Electronic condolences may be sent to the family at: memorials@earl-grossmanfuneral.com

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

Joy R. Replogle  Date of Death 10/30/2008


She is survived by her husband, Paul; sisters: Mildred Lind of South Bend, Geneva (Jim) McAfee of Plymouth, Connie (Jim) Marshall of Bremen and Janice Beane of Bremen; brothers: Vernon Carothers of Bremen, Bill (Shirley) Carothers of Bremen, Noble (Helen) Carothers of Bremen and Jack (Mary) Carothers of Lakeville; sister-in-law, Bonnie Carothers of Bremen; stepdaughter, Tina Hollett of Bremen; and one granddaughter.

No services will be held.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Marshall County.

The Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen, is assisting the family with arrangements.

Angela Marie Ellinger  Date of Death 10/31/2008

BOURBON — Angela Marie Ellinger, 36, of Bourbon, died Friday, Oct. 31, 2008 at Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw, after a lengthy battle with cancer.

She is survived by her husband, Jason Ellinger of Bourbon; a daughter, Jacelyn Grace Ellinger of Bourbon; three sons: Ellis David Whitt, Bradley Matthew Whitt and Jacob Nathaniel Whitt, all of Bourbon; her parents: George and Rebecca Irvin of Bourbon and a brother, Jon Irvin of Nappanee.

Visitation will take place from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 4 at the Nappanee Missionary Church, 70417 State Road 19.

Funeral services will take place Wednesday, Nov. 5 at 10 a.m. at the church with burial to follow at Bremen Cemetery.

Memorials may be made for her children.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.mishlerfuneralhome.com .

Neil A. Monahan  Date of Death 10/31/2008


Survivors include his wife, Donna; daughter, Calee; step-children, Kayla and Dylan; one step-grandson; his mother, Karin Monahan of Lawton, Okla.; one sister, Colleen Dyer of Tulsa, Okla.; four brothers: John Monahan of Fairbanks, Ark., Brian Monahan of Malta, Ill., Ken Monahan of (Koontz Lake) Walkerton and Quin Monahan of Savannah, Ga. and mother and father in-law, Maxine and Gary Minard of Watseka, Ill.

A memorial mass will be held Friday, Nov. 7 at 11 a.m. at Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church of Chatsworth, Ill. Family will receive friends at the home of Ken and Angie Monahan, Koontz Lake, Saturday, Nov. 8 from 4 to 5 p.m. (CST).
Roy L. Snyder  Date of Death 10/31/2008

PLYMOUTH – Roy L. Snyder, 76, a lifetime Marshall county resident, died of natural causes at 10:58 p.m. Friday, Oct. 31, 2008, at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

He was born in LaPaz, Ind. the son of Solomon and Cacelia Boone Snyder, Aug. 29, 1932. He attended LaPaz High School.

On September 22, 1956, in Rev. Colson’s parsonage in Plymouth, Roy and Lorena R. Lee were married.

A self-employed auto body repairman, he was interested in and enjoyed working on classic cars.

Roy is survived by, Lorena, his wife of 52 years and by their three sons: Lyle Snyder of Calif., Gail (Nora) Snyder of Bremen, Ind. and Neal Snyder, Union Mills, Ind.

Grandchildren Nathaniel, Amanda, Alyssa and Matthew Snyder, all of Bremen, survive as well.

A brother, Paul (Yvonne) Snyder, Bremen and a sister, Betty (Hilton) Bryant, Hammond, Ind., also survive.

Roy was preceded in death by his parents and three brothers: Ray, Leo and Don Snyder.

Friends will be welcomed by the family to share memories and celebrate the life of Roy from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 4, 2008 and after 7 a.m. Wednesday morning, Nov. 5 at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, and for one hour at the church prior to the service on Wednesday.

Funeral services for Roy will be held at the Shiloh Wesleyan Church, 10532 4B Road, Plymouth, where he attended worship services, at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 5, 2008. The Rev. John Perkinson, pastor of the church, will officiate.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Roy’s memory may be made to the Shiloh Missionary Society.

Laura Luella Williams  Date of Death 10/31/2008

ROCHESTER — Laura Luella Williams, 70, of Rochester, died at 5:32 a.m. Friday, Oct. 31, 2008 at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

She is survived by her husband, Hermon; daughter, Idella (Bill) Bellies of Rochester; sons: William E. (Sheila) Smith of Rochester and Ricky D. Smith; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and sister, Phyllis Barrett of Rochester.

Visitation is Monday, Nov. 3 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Funeral services are Monday, Nov. 3 at 7 p.m. in the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Mary L. Thornton  Date of Death 11/1/2008
BREMEN — Mary L. Thornton, 96, of Bremen, died Saturday, Nov. 1, 2008 at her son’s home in Indianapolis.

She is survived by a daughter, Delores (Jim) Allen of north Fort Myers, Fla.; two sons: Devon “Deak” (Diana) Thornton of Bremen and Wayne (Julie) Thornton of Indianapolis; 13 grandchildren, 28 great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren.

Visitation will take place Tuesday, Nov. 4 from 4 to 8 p.m at Mishler Funeral Home, 2030 State Road 331, Bremen.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, Nov. 5 at 1 p.m. at the funeral home with burial to follow at Bremen Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Oak Grove Missionary Church, 69009 Beech Rd., Nappanee, IN, 46550.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.mishlerfuneralhome.com.

Linda A. Isley  Date of Death 11/2/2008


Linda was born on Feb. 22, 1944, in Plymouth to Harry and Katherine Lucille (Muffley) Rhoades. Linda and William A. Isley were united in marriage on Feb. 22, 1974. William passed away on March 3, 1998. She had been employed at BPC Manufacturing Operations in Plymouth.

Linda is survived by her step-sons: Eric (Eva) Isley of Plymouth and Keith (Sherry) Isley of Iowa; her brother, Steve Rhoades of Vista, Cali.; her nieces: Ronda (Duane) Wallace of Holcombe, Wis. and Teresa Holbrook of Plymouth. Also surviving are Linda’s six step-grandchildren; and one step-great-grandchild. She was preceded in death by her husband, William; her parents; and her sister, Sue Holbrook.

Funeral services for Linda will be held Saturday, Nov. 8, 2008, at 2 p.m. at the VAN GILDER FUNERAL HOME. Pastor Keith Isley will officiate. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

A time of visiting with Linda’s family will be Saturday, Nov. 8, 2008, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the VAN GILDER FUNERAL HOME, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

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

Rexalea C. Warren  Date of Death 11/2/2008

PLYMOUTH – Rexalea C. Warren, 60, of 601 Randolph St., Plymouth, died of natural causes in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth, at 6:15 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 2, 2008.

Born in Plymouth on May 18, 1948, “Rexi” was the daughter of Howard “Smokie” and Patricia Witham Stutzman.

She graduated from Plymouth High School with the class of 1966.

Rexi and Robert Warren were married in 1966 in Etna Green. Robert died on Nov. 15, 1993.

Rexi was retired from Aearo Safety Manufacturing. She had also spent many years as a hair dresser and had owned and operated her own salon.
A huge Colts fan, Rexi also was a NASCAR and Ryan Newman devotee. She was adept at crocheting and made many lovely pieces.

Rexi is survived by a son and a daughter: Christopher “Scooter” (Rennee) Warren, Etna Green, and Jennifer Warren, Rochester.

A brother, Samuel (Lori) Stutzman of Bourbon, also survives together with four grandchildren: Ashley and Christopher Warren, Christopher and Rennee’s children and Niko and Robert Warren, Jennifer’s children.

A great-grandchild, Cameron Warren, also survives along with numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and devoted friends.

Rexi was preceded in death by her parents, her husband and a brother, Bill Stutzman.

Friends are invited to join Rexi’s family to share memories of her life on Wednesday, Nov. 5, 2008, from 4 to 8 p.m. and after 7 a.m. on Thursday, Nov. 6, 2008, at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Rexi will be held at 2 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 6, 2008, in the funeral home. The Rev. Dr. Dean Fager of the First United Methodist church will officiate.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Rexi’s memory may be made to The Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, Inc.

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

Richard G. Chase  Date of Death 11/3/2008

Richard G. Chase, 78, formerly of Plymouth, died Monday, Nov. 3, in Bradenton, Fla. He was preceded in death by his wife, Jeannette Chase, in 1996.

He is survived by his wife, Charlene; his children: Sheila Persinger, Sandy Chase Mehan, Stephanie Chase Ward and Jeffrey Chase; seven grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

The family will have a private memorial service.

Lula Geraldine Taylor  Date of Death 11/3/2008

BRISTOL — Lula Geraldine Taylor, 75, of Bristol, died Monday, Nov. 3, 2008, at Elkhart General Hospital.

She is survived by a son: Ricky Holt of Bristol; daughters: Linda Taylor of Elkhart, Martha (Aaron) Smartt of Bristol, Connie Albright of Yellville, Ark., Stacy (Scott) Rinker of Yellville, Ark., and Peggy (Jim) Reeves of Bristol; brothers: Lester (Renate) Holt of Orange Park, Fla., and Leamon (Rickie) Holt of Elkhart; sisters: Doris (Robert) Jewel of Elkhart, Darlene (Thomas) Ronzone of Elkhart, Carolyn (Terry) Welles of Wakarusa, Lois Henson of Joplin, Mo. and Mary Lauder of Myrtle Beach, S.C.; 10 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Services will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, Nov. 7 at Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen. Burial will take place at the Bremen Cemetery. Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 6 at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the family.
Ernest L. Ronk  Date of Death 11/4/2008

PLYMOUTH — Ernest L. Ronk, 86 of Plymouth, died Tuesday, Nov. 4, 2008.

He is survived by his good friends, Gail and Lee Sargent.

Visitation is from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, Nov. 7 in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth. Funeral services will be held after visitation Friday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home. Military graveside honors at Tyner Cemetery, will be accorded by the VFW and the American Legion.

Memorial contributions may be made to Riley Hospital for Children, Indianapolis.

Frances E. Hewes  Date of Death 11/5/2008

SOUTH BEND — Frances E. Hewes, 85, of South Bend, formerly of Culver, died Wednesday, Nov. 5, 2008 at home.

Frances is survived by nephews: Dr. Michael Glassley of Fort Wayne and Philip (Rita) Glassley of Indianapolis; and niece, Susan Snyder of Glendale, Ariz.

Visitation is Saturday, Nov. 8 from 11 a.m. to noon at St. Mary’s of the Lake Catholic Church, Culver. Funeral services are Saturday at noon at the church. Interment will be at the Culver Masonic Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the charity of one’s choice.

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

Ralph, Jr. Duram  Date of Death 11/7/2008

SOUTH BEND — Ralph Duram, Jr. of South Bend, died peacefully on Nov. 7, 2008, at the Cardinal Nursing Home in South Bend.

Ralph was born July 26, 1929, in Mishawaka and was a life-long resident of the Marshall County and Saint Joseph County areas. Ralph graduated from Plymouth High School in the Class 1947. He joined the United States Navy in 1947, serving in the Korean War, and was honorably discharged in 1952.


He is also survived by two daughters, Lori Lynn Berkeypile of Plymouth, and Lisa Ann Switzer of South Bend; three grandchildren, Heather Garrett, Howard Berkeypile and Lindsay Switzer; eight great-grandchildren, Marval, Elizabeth, Michael, Ira, Maggie, Chelsea, Aalyah and Phoenix; his mother, Pauline Robinson of Plymouth; and his aunt Betty Walters of South Bend.

Ralph had been employed by Redi Froz, Inc. and Elkhart Frozen Foods and also owned and operated Keywest Seafood. Ralph had many interests and hobbies and was always busy refinishing furniture, woodworking, building projects and working in his yard. He spent many hours with his wonderful hobby of building sailing ships.

Ralph loved fishing in Minnesota, with his father Howard Robinson, who preceded him in death on April 3, 2001. Ralph was a member of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in South Bend.

The family will greet friends from 4 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 11, 2008, in the Van Gilder Funeral Home, Plymouth.
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Funeral services will be held at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, IN, 46563, on Wednesday, Nov. 12, at 10 a.m., with Mike Burroughs officiating at the service.

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

Mary L. Deckard  Date of Death 11/8/2008

Mary L. Deckard, 93, of 101 North Pawnee Court, LaPorte, Indiana, 46352, and formerly of Plymouth, Indiana, passed away Saturday, Nov. 8, 2008, at Golden Living Center LaPorte.

She was born on Aug. 25, 1915, in Plymouth, to John E. and Louise T. (Nagel) Moore. Mary and Harley L. (Joe) Deckard were married on June 6, 1944. Mr. Deckard passed away April 26, 1969. Mary retired from the United Telephone Company, in Plymouth in 1982. She attended Saint Michael's School in Plymouth, Saint Mary's Academy in Baltimore, Maryland, and was a graduate of Plymouth High School. She was a member of Saint Michael Catholic Church in Plymouth.

Mary enjoyed playing cards, especially Bridge, and belonged to many card clubs. She was also a member of Saint Michael’s Altar Rosary Society. Mary loved her family and was strong in her Catholic faith. She will be greatly missed by all of those who knew her.

Mary is survived by her son, John “Jack” Deckard and daughter-in-law Alison of LaPorte; her daughter-in-law, Ann Deckard of Arcadia; her grandsons: Michael (Kristie) Deckard of LaPorte and Bret (Joyce) Deckard of Arcadia; her step-grandson, Brett Dolph of LaPorte; and her great-grandchildren: Brooklynn and Samantha Deckard of LaPorte and Haley and Josh Deckard of Arcadia. Mary was preceded in death by her son, Joe Deckard; her grandson, Mark Deckard; her parents; her sister, Dorothy Moore; and her brothers, Vincent and George Moore.

A Memorial Mass will be held Wednesday, Nov. 12, 2008, at 2 p.m., at Saint Michael Catholic Church, in Plymouth, with the Rev. Father William Kummer officiating. Burial will in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

A time of visiting with the family and friends, of Mary, will be on Wednesday, Nov. 12, 2008, from 1 to 2 p.m. at Saint Michael Catholic Church in Plymouth.

VAN GILDER FUNERAL HOME, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, IN 46563, in handling the arrangements.

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

Ellen Richard  Date of Death 11/8/2008

ROCHESTER — Ellen Richard, 77, of Rochester, died Saturday, Nov. 8, at her residence.


Visitation is from 3 to 4 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 11 at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Services are at 4 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.
Peggy Splix Nelson  Date of Death 11/9/2008

LAKE WORTH, Fla. — Former Washington Elementary School teacher and Plymouth native, Peggy Splix Nelson, 47, died in JFK Hospital, unexpectedly in Lake Worth, Fla. on Sunday evening, Nov. 9, 2008.

Peggy Ann Splix was born to Stanton and Teresa (Hummel) Splix on Oct. 2, 1961 in Plymouth.

She graduated from Plymouth High School with the class of 1980. She was a former Plymouth Junior Miss and cheerleader; she played basketball, volleyball and ran track in high school.

Peggy graduated from Ancilla College and IUSB with a bachelor’s degree. She attended Purdue NW and graduated from Indiana State University with a Master’s Degree.

She was a former elementary teacher at Washington Elementary in Plymouth, an elementary principal at North Judson and Jeffersonville. In 2000 she moved to Florida and was an elementary principal in West Palm County, Fl., up until the time of her death.

On Dec. 8, 2001, in Florida, Peggy married Jeffery Nelson, who survives in Lake Worth, Fla. Together they enjoyed life and were avid Dolphin fans having just attended the game prior to her passing.

A loving mother and grandmother, Peggy is survived by two sons: Joshua (Janna) Vancza of Indianapolis, and Eric Vancza of Orlando, Fla.; and three grandchildren: Tyler, Angelique, and Jonah Vancza, all of Indianapolis.

Her parents also survive along with two brothers: Nick (Cheryl) Splix and Michael Splix, all of Plymouth. Numerous nieces, nephews, great nieces and nephews, and cousins survive as well.

She was preceded in death by her sister Sandra Splix in 1982, and her grandparents: Stuart and Blanche Hummel, and Donald and Mary Splix.

Friends will be welcomed by her family to share memories and celebrate the life of Peggy from 4 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 19, 2008 and after 7 a.m. on Thursday morning, Nov. 20, 2008, at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Peggy will be held at the Plymouth Missionary Church, 1350 E. Jefferson St., Plymouth, at 11 a.m. on Thursday, Nov. 20, 2008 with visitation one hour prior to services. The Rev. Pat Puglisi, pastor of the church, will officiate.

Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

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

Online condolences may be sent to the family through the funeral home’s Web site at www.johnson-danielson.com

Glaster Back  Date of Death 11/10/2008

KNOX — Glaster Back, 87, of Knox, died Monday, Nov. 10, 2008 at Golden Living Center, Knox.

He is survived by his wife, Lula Back of Knox; daughter, Carol (Jim) Siddall of Knox; son, Ron Back of Knox; sisters: Opal Owens of North Judson, Carrie Mann of Knox and Evelyn Meyers of Monon; brothers: Angelo Back of Knox, Costallo Back of Florida and Roger Back of Walkerton;
Gladys Tettenborn  Date of Death 11/10/2008

KNOX — Gladys Tettenborn, 91, of Knox, died Monday, Nov. 10, 2008 at Golden Living Center, Knox.

She is survived by sons: Allen (Toni) Tettenborn of Culver and Dennis (Sandy) Tettenborn of Elkhart; brother, Orville Klima of Wisconsin; two grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

A graveside service will be held Thursday, Nov. 13 at 11 a.m. at Crown Hill Cemetery.

Braman & Son Memorial Chapel, Knox, is in charge of the arrangements.

Evertina "Teddy" Kaser  Date of Death 11/11/2008

PLYMOUTH — Evertina “Teddy” Kaser, 91, of Plymouth, died Tuesday, Nov. 11, 2008 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Teddy is survived by stepdaughters: Tina (Lou) Morales of Plymouth and Alanna (Bill) Reynolds of Springfield, Ill.; stepson, Stan (Mary Jo) Kaser of Plymouth; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Saturday, Nov. 15 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth. Private family services will be held. Burial will be at Eternal Hills Memorial Park, Oceanside, Calif.

Memorials may be made to Marshall County Life Enrichment Center to assist veterans.

Richard J., Sr. Cruse  Date of Death 11/12/2008

PLYMOUTH — Richard J. Cruse Sr., 83, formerly of Knox, died Wednesday, Nov. 12, 2008 at Miller's Merry Manor in Plymouth.

He is survived by a daughter, Shari (Mike) Spaid of Culver; son, Richard Cruse Jr. of Ft. Wayne; three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Friday, Nov. 14 from 3 to 7 p.m. CDT at M.C. Smith Funeral Home, Knox. Funeral services are Saturday, Nov. 15 at 10 a.m. CDT at the funeral home.

Russell L. Ervin  Date of Death 11/13/2008

NAPPAWEE — Russell L. Ervin, 93, of Nappanee, died Thursday, Nov. 13, 2008 at 6:38 a.m. at Elkhart General Hospital.

He is survived by sons: Russell “Butch” (Marianne) Ervin of Nappanee and Kenton (Jill) Ervin of Nappanee; son-in-law, Kent Beehler; eight grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandson.

Visitation is Saturday, Nov. 15 from 2 to 8 p.m. at the Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee. Funeral services are Sunday, Nov. 16 at 2 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at Union Center Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Nappanee American Legion.
Elmer Roy “Mitch” Mitchell  Date of Death 11/13/2008

LAKEVILLE — Elmer Roy “Mitch” Mitchell, 77, of Lakeville, passed away at 2:45 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 13, 2008 in Hospice House, South Bend. He was born Sept. 17, 1931 in Chatfield, Minn. to Almond P. and Edna May (Young) Mitchell. On May 2, 1954 in Bremen, he married the former Esther Eleanor Nettour, who survives.

Mr. Mitchell is also survived by two daughters: Cindy (Dennis) Sherman of Lakeville, and Cathy (Karl) Suher of Lakeville; son, James Mitchell of Bremen; six grandchildren: Amanda Mitchell, Nathan (Shannon) Mitchell, Rebecca Mitchell, Andrew Mitchell, Justin Sherman and Bradley Sherman; and sister, Ethel Sackett of Chatfield, Minn.. Three sisters and five brothers preceded him in death.

Mr. Mitchell lived in Lakeville for the last 55 years. He retired in 1993 as a sheet metal worker for Local #164, and then worked at Allied Signal for 22 years. Mr. Mitchell was a 50-year member of the American Legion #363 in Lakeville, the American Legion #365 in North Liberty, a 54-year member of the Lakeville Conservation Club and a lifetime member of the VFW #1954.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 15, 2008 in St. Paul Lutheran Church-Woodland, 15697 New Road, Mishawaka. Rev. Karl Brenner will officiate. Graveside services will follow in Bremen Cemetery, Bremen. Friends may visit with the family from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 14, 2008 in the Palmer Funeral Home, 314 S. Michigan St., Lakeville and one hour prior to the services in church on Saturday.

Contributions may be offered to the Center for Hospice & Palliative Care, Inc., 111 Sunnybrook Ct., South Bend, IN 46637 or to the Lakeville Conservation Club, P.O. Box 275, Lakeville, IN 46536. Online condolences may be made at www.palmerfuneralhomes.com

Celia J. Montague  Date of Death 11/13/2008

BREMEN — Celia J. Montague, 95, who was a resident Bremen Health Care Center, formerly of Bourbon, died Thursday, Nov. 13 at 12:06 a.m.


A funeral service will be held Saturday, Nov. 15 at 1 p.m. in The United Pentecostal Church. Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday in the Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, Bourbon, and for one hour before services in the church Saturday.

Burial will follow in the Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Bourbon.

Memorial contributions be made to The United Pentecostal Church.

Glea M. Shireman  Date of Death 11/13/2008

PLYMOUTH — Glea M. Shireman, 86, of Plymouth, died Thursday, Nov. 13 at Pilgrim Manor Nursing Center, Plymouth.

She is survived by step-sons: Reg (Dorothy) Shireman of Monticello, Ind., Larry Shireman of Washington D.C. and Michael Shireman of Plymouth.

Graveside services will take place Tuesday, Nov. 18 at 1 p.m. at New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.
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Memorials may be made to the Salvation Army. Letters of condolence may be sent to the family via the funeral home’s Wen site at www.johnson-danielson.com.

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

Wesley Michael Unsicker  Date of Death 11/13/2008

BREMEN — Wesley Michael Unsicker, three days, of Bremen, died Thursday, Nov. 13 at Riley Children’s Hospital, Indianapolis.

He is survived by his parents: Jason and Andrea Unsicker; a sister, Madison Unsicker of Bremen; maternal grandparents, Mike and Cheryl Fahlbeck of Nappanee; paternal grandparents: Max and Coleen Unsicker of Bremen and Cindy Tatch of South Bend; maternal great-grandparents: Robert and Charlene Price of Bristol, Ind., Dale Fahlbeck of Elkhart and Carol Vanderman of Fla. and paternal great-grandparents: Irene Unsicker and Marvin Gaskill of Bremen, Jim and Ruth Brown of Bremen and Sally Unsicker of Osceola.

Visitation took place one hour prior to services Monday, Nov. 17 at Mishler Funeral Home, 2030 State Road 331, Bremen. Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. at the funeral home and burial followed at Bremen Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the family.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.mishlerfuneralhomes.com.

Tad J. Van Der Weele  Date of Death 11/13/2008

Tad J. Van Der Weele, 55, beloved son and brother, and accomplished artist, passed away surrounded by his loving family, at Presbyterian Hospital in Albuquerque, N.M. on Nov. 13, 2008 after a courageous battle with cancer.

Tad was born in Rochester on Sept. 13, 1953 and grew up on the family farm in Argos. He was an Eagle Scout and attended the National Jamboree in Idaho in 1969. Tad was a 1971 graduate of Argos High School, received a B.A. from Indiana University's School of Arts & Sciences, graduating with honors, and received a Master's Degree in Social Work from the University of Washington, Seattle. Tad worked 24 years as a social worker for the University of Washington Hospital before retiring in 1999. Tad also developed software for social work departments and continued to use his computer expertise with doctor’s offices, clinics, and organizations.

A simpler life, blue skies, and a vibrant, supportive arts community are what drew Tad to move to Silver City, N.M. in 1999. He loved Silver City and took great pride in his clay and painting studio, weelearts, where he was able to work full-time and create his sculptural ceramic pieces, abstract paintings, and digital prints. Many of his pieces were inspired by his love of the family farm and woods.

Tad was a computer whiz, great cook, voracious reader and poet, and he distinguished himself as a member of the Silver City Arts Community. He was honored this year when his three-piece ceramic work titled, “The Mutability Compass”, was selected by the New Mexico Capitol Arts Commission to be placed in the permanent art collection of the State of New Mexico. It currently hangs in Santa Fe at the State Capitol Annex building. He also received an award for the Best Sculpture in the 2007 Mimbres Region Arts Council’s, “Weekend at the Galleries” exhibit. That same year, he won Best 2-D Award in the Human Figure Exhibition in the Western New Mexico University’s McCray Gallery.

In addition to being survived by his partner of 13 years, Patrick Conlin and three beloved Airedale Terriers: Max, Maggie, & Boomer, Tad is survived by his parents, Lynn and Virginia Van Der Weele of Argos; sisters: Teri (Kent) Bair of Argos and Tami (Art) Brock of Noblesville; and brothers: Jack (Lori) Van Der Weele and Jon (Patti) Van Der Weele also of Argos; 13 nieces
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and nephews; an aunt, Ann Lemon of Lake Oswego, Ore.; and an uncle, George (Margie) Schlosser of Argos.

Tad followed the beliefs of the Tibetan Buddhism in his life and in his art. He often practiced at the Iron Knot Ranch in southwestern New Mexico, a retreat center founded on the belief that the true nature of all living things is inherently pure, wise, and compassionate.

A celebration of Tad’s life will be held Saturday, Nov. 29, 2008 from 1 to 4 p.m. with a celebration of memories starting at 3 p.m. at the Community Life Center, Argos United Methodist Church. Memorials can be made to Argos Dollars for Scholars. “Where there is love, there is sight.”

French Mortuary, Albuquerque, N.M., is in charge of the arrangements.

Leonard “Butch” Blankenship Date of Death 11/15/2008

ARGOS — Leonard “Butch” Blankenship, 46, died Saturday, Nov. 15, 2008 at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

He is survived by one daughter, Cheryl Sickman of Bay City, Mich.; his mother, Ruby Blankenship of North Judson; companion Rose Hattery of Argos; four grandchildren: Jaicoey, Jaivare, Aleziah and Johnathan; one step-daughter, Buffy Speirs of Plymouth; three step-sons, Jason Hattery of Plymouth and James and Donny Hattery, both of Argos; eight step-grandchildren: Levi, Cassidy and Tyler Speirs, Samantha and Eric Risner, Brandon, Courtney and Dylan Hattery; one sister, Ruby (Kurt) Wallace of Hamlet; one brother, Lonnie Blankenship of Hamlet; six half-brothers, Erwin and Donald Pratter, both of San Pierre, Noah Blandenship Jr. of Niles, Mich., Robert Blankenship of Humboldt, Texas, Rodger Blandenship of Lake Station and Richard Blankenship of Hammond.

A memorial service will be Thursday at 5 p.m. CST at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel where friends may call one hour prior to the service.

Memorial contributions may be given to the family.

Edgar Blessing Date of Death 11/15/2008

GERMANY — Edgar Blessing, of Germany, died Saturday, Nov. 15, of complications following surgery.

He will be fondly remembered and missed by the G. A. Birkey family of Bremen with whom he became like a family member through the student foreign exchange program in the year 1949 and 1950, by his Bremen High School classmates of the graduating class of 1950, and by many other friends within the Bremen community.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Christina. Edgar is survived by his wife Sigrid, and son Volker and family.

The family’s address is: Sigrid Blessing, Seitenstrasse 13, 73760 Ostfildern, Germany.

Elizabeth Millbern Date of Death 11/15/2008

LONGWOOD, Fla. — Elizabeth Millbern, 81, of Longwood, Fla. passed away Saturday, Nov. 15, 2008. Liz was born in North Manchester on Jan. 2, 1927 to Floyd and Ella Leeper. She graduated from Plymouth High School in 1944 where she was Homecoming Queen. She married Jack Millbern from Bourbon on Nov. 22, 1945. He preceded her in death in 2006. Liz attended Lindenwood College in St. Charles, Mo. and worked as a bookkeeper throughout her life for a variety of businesses. She spent many years in Indiana, residing in Plymouth, Indianapolis, Marion, Bremen, Nappanee, Muncie, Kokomo, and Jeffersonville, and in Upper Arlington, Ohio. She and Jack moved to Florida in 1974, residing in North Miami Beach and the Orlando area. Liz was an avid bridge player and a devoted Orlando Magic fan.
She is survived by four wonderful children: Dr. Michael Millbern of San Diego, Calif., Debra Powers of St. Augustine, Fla., Timothy Millbern of Boston, Mass., and David Millbern of Los Angeles, Calif. Also surviving are six grandchildren: Ashley Gensheimer, Jeffrey Millbern, Chris and Kate Powers, Adam and Kylie Millbern. Several nieces and nephews also survive.

A memorial service will be held at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 30 at Chambrel at Island Lake, 160 Islander Ct., Longwood, FL. Interment (next to her husband, Jack, a WW II veteran) will be on Monday, Dec. 1 at 11 a.m. at the Veterans National Cemetery in Bushnell, Fla.

Tri-County Cremation, Longwood, Fla., is in charge of arrangements.

Dr. William Dean Carter  Date of Death 11/16/2008

AUBURN — Dr. William Dean Carter, 76, of Auburn, died Sunday, Nov. 16, 2008 at home.

He is survived by his wife, Wilda Elizabeth Olson; daughters: Laura (Dr. Philip) Chase of Auburn, Lynn (Dr. Randall) Millikan of Bellaire, Texas, and Susan Adams of South Bend; sister, Jane (George) Stimple of DeMotte; and 15 grandchildren.

Funeral services are Friday, Nov. 21 at noon at Koontz Lake Missionary Church in Walkerton with visitation two hours prior to the service. Burial will follow at Calumet Park Cemetery in Merrillville. A memorial service will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 26 at Grabill Missionary Church with visitation following the service.

Memorials may be made to Koontz Lake Missionary Church, 8044 N. S.R. 23, Walkerton, IN 46574.

Feller and Clark Funeral Home, Auburn, is in charge of the arrangements.

Janice Howard-Collins  Date of Death 11/16/2008

ARGOS — Janice Howard-Collins, 68, of west Marshall Road, Argos, died Sunday, Nov. 16 at 2:15 a.m. at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester following a one-year illness.

She is survived by four sons: Tim Brock of Culver; Marty Brock and wife Sherri of Culver; Jack Moriarty and wife Jeanetta of Argos and Galen “Nat” Moriarty and wife Sarah of Bourbon; a daughter, Launa (William) Fields of Hazard, Ky.; five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren; three brothers: Harold Dean (Maridean) Howard of Rochester, Denton (Gloria) Howard of Jonesboro, Ind. and Olin (Betty) Howard of Argos and one sister, Claudette (Hobart) Stevens of Lakeville.

Visitation will take place Tuesday, Nov. 18 from noon to 1 p.m. at the Plymouth Church of Jesus Christ, at the corner of 12th road and U.S. 31, Argos.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday, at the church with burial to follow at Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos.

Memorial contributions may be made to the family at Collins Memorial, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos, IN 46501

Electronic condolences may be sent to the family at: memorials@earl-grossmanfuneral.com.

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

ARGOS — Janice Howard-Collins, 68, of W. Marshall Road, Argos, died Sunday, Nov. 16, 2008 at 2:15 a.m. at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

She is survived by four sons: Tim Brock of Culver, Marty (Sherri) Brock of Culver, Jack
(Jeanetta) Moriarty of Argos and Galen "Nate" (Sarah) Moriarty of Bourbon; a daughter, Launa (William) Fields of Hazard, Ky.; five grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; four brothers: Harold Dean (Maridean) Howard of Rochester, Denton (Gloria) Howard of Jonesboro, Olin (Betty) Howard of Argos and William Howard of London, Ky.; and sister, Claudette (Hobart) Stevens of Lakeville.

Visitation was Tuesday, Nov. 18 from noon to 1 p.m. at the Plymouth Church of Jesus Christ, at the corner of 12th road and U.S. 31, Argos.

Funeral services were held at 1 p.m. Tuesday, at the church with burial to follow at Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos.

Memorial contributions may be made to the family at Collins Memorial, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos, IN 46501.

**Rose Barton  Date of Death 11/17/2008**

WALKERTON — Rose Barton, 96, died Monday, Nov.17, 2008 in Miller’s Merry Manor, Walkerton.

She is survived by daughter, Carole (Jack) Powers of Koontz Lake; son, Richard (Judith) Barton of Litchfield Park, Ariz.; seven grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren and 14 great-great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Thursday, Nov. 20 from 4 to 7 p.m. EST at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel. A Rosary service will be at 7 p.m. EST Thursday at the funeral home. Sunday, visitation will be held in Sun City, Ariz. with Mass of Christian Burial on Monday at St. Clements Church, Sun City, Ariz. Burial will follow at Sunland Cemetery, Sun City, Ariz.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, 111 Sunnybrook Court, South Bend, IN 46637.

**Ronald A. Hershberger  Date of Death 11/17/2008**


He is survived by his wife, Bonnie Hershberger; sons: Brian (Dwana) Hershberger of Syracuse and Tony (Trish) Hershberger of Mentone; stepsons: Leslie (Nancy) Carriveau of Osceola and David (Sherri) Carriveau of Jackson, Ohio; stepdaughter, Teresa (Todd) Hoffman of Edwardsburg, Mich.; eight grandchildren; 10 stepgrandchildren; six great-grandchildren; four step great-grandchildren; and brothers: Jim (Nancy) Hershberger of Grand Junction, Ariz., Michael Hershberger of Mesa, Ariz. and Richard Hershberger of Syracuse.

Visitation is Thursday, Nov. 20 from 5 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to the service Friday at Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee. Funeral services are Friday, Nov. 21 at 1 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at Union Center Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Ronald Hershberger Memorial Fund.

**Nancy A. Jaret  Date of Death 11/17/2008**

PLYMOUTH — Nancy A. Jaret, 69, of Plymouth, formerly of New Carlisle, passed away Monday, Nov. 17, 2008, at Pilgrim Manor Nursing Home in Plymouth. Nancy was born March 6, 1939, in Wakarusa to Roscoe and Catherine (Dailey) Pittman. She retired from Canteen Services in South Bend.

On May 27, 1973, as Nancy A. Pittman she married Casey J. Jaret who preceded her in death.
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Mary Lynn Nowakowski  Date of Death 11/17/2008


She is survived by her father, Fred Nuelle of Effingham, Ill.; mother, Rose Nuelle of Effingham, Ill.; daughters: Erica Nowakowski of Mishawaka and Sarah Nowakowski of Elkhart; brother, John Nuelle of Effingham, Ill.; and sisters: Chris Detwiler and Carol Donsbach, both of Effingham, Ill.

There will be no service. Cremation will take place.

Braman & Son Memorial Chapel, Knox, is in charge of the arrangements.

Violet C. Price  Date of Death 11/17/2008

WAKARUSA — Violet C. Price, 91, of Miller’s Merry Manor, Wakarusa, formerly of Nappanee, died Monday, Nov. 17, 2008 at 5:25 a.m. at Miller’s Merry Manor.

She is survived by sister, Mary Walgamuth of Kalamazoo, Mich.; sister-in-law, Rosemary Eberly of North Webster; and brother-in-law, Dean Price of Nappanee.

Visitation is Wednesday, Nov. 19 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee. Funeral services are Thursday, Nov 20 at 10:30 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at Union Center Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to First Brethren Church or American Diabetes Association.

Randy L. Bowser  Date of Death 11/18/2008

PLYMOUTH — Randy L. Bowser, 55, of 9680 Deer Trail, Plymouth, passed away suddenly at 5:28 a.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 18, 2008, at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center in Plymouth.

Randy was born on Aug. 2, 1953, in Plymouth, to Donald and Donna Lee (Cripe) Bowser. Randy, and his high school sweetheart, the former Ann Ruggles, were united in marriage on May 27, 1972, in Plymouth. Together they raised their two daughters, Emily and Eileen. Randy worked for the United Telephone Company and Sprint, for 34 years, before his retirement. While at the telephone company he served on the Sprint Community Relations Team. After his retirement he started his own company, “Bowser’s White Pines Woodworker”, and enjoyed being a self employed carpenter, attending to the needs, whether large or small, of many people in this community. Randy was also a dedicated member of the support staff of Van Gilder Funeral Home. He also helped his brother-in-law, Jim Ruggles, repair instruments at the home Notre Dame Games. He had been serving on the Marshall County Blueberry Board since 1988, belonged to the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce, and worked with the Christmas in April project. He was a very active and dedicated member of the First Presbyterian Church, in Plymouth, where he served on several boards and was a Church Elder. He sang with the choir, and many times Randy, Ann, Emily, and Eileen would sing together, as a family.

He was a true “Plymouth boy” and supported Emily and Eileen with all of their activities during
their school years. He was a graduate of Plymouth High School in the Class of 1971. He and Ann attended all of the Plymouth Pilgrims basketball home games, having the same reserved seats for many years.

Family was a very important part of Randy's life. He loved his family and they loved him. Together they spent a lot of quality time laughing, loving, and just plain having fun. Those wonderful memories will never be forgotten.

Randy is survived by his loving wife of 36 years Ann; their daughters: Emily Bowser of Plymouth and Eileen (Jeff) Taber of Mishawaka; the two little "joys of his life", his granddaughters: Emma Claire Welch and Elyse Isabelle Taber of Mishawaka; his father, Don Bowser of Plymouth; two brothers: Rex and Joyce Bowser of Coatsville, and Roger and Beckey Bowser of Cassopolis, Mich.; his mother-in-law, Betty Ruggles of Plymouth; his brother and sister-in-law, Jim and Bev Ruggles of Plymouth; his nieces and nephews; and his great-nieces and great-nephews. Randy was recently preceded in death by his mother, Donna Lee Bowser, on Oct. 3, 2008.

Funeral services for Randy will be held on Saturday, Nov. 22, 2008, at the FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 401 N. Walnut St., Plymouth, at 11 a.m. with the Rev. Les Johnson, the Rev. Dr. Ronald Liechty, and the Rev. Paul Nye officiating. Cremation will take place after the funeral and burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth, at a later date.

A time of visiting with the Bowser family will be on Friday, Nov. 21, 2008, from 2 to 4 p.m. and from 6 to 8 p.m. at the VAN GILDER FUNERAL HOME, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, IN, 46563, and on Saturday, Nov. 22, 2008, at the First Presbyterian Church, from 10 a.m. until the time of the service, at 11 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, the Bowser family would like for memorial contributions be given to a Trust Fund at, First Federal Savings Bank, 2113 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, IN 46563, that has been established for Randy's granddaughters, Emma Claire Welch and Elyse Isabelle Taber's, college education.

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

Jim Saine  Date of Death 11/18/2008

KNOX — Jim Saine, 36, of Knox, died Tuesday, Nov. 18, 2008.

He is survived by his mother, Clara Saine of North Judson; sisters: Gladys (Roger) Kapp of Rochester, Jo Anne Eskridge of Knox and Debbie (Tim) Shireman of Hanna; and brothers: Ralph (Lisa) Saine of Grovertown, Howard Saine of North Judson, Joseph Saine Jr. of Knox and Tom Saine of Knox.

Visitation is Sunday, Nov. 23 from 2 to 6 p.m. CT at O’Donnell Funeral Home, North Judson. Funeral services are Monday, Nov. 24 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home. Interment will be at Highland Cemetery, North Judson.

Krista Ann Tolson  Date of Death 11/18/2008

KNOX — Krista Ann Tolson, 16, of Knox, died Tuesday, Nov. 18, 2008.

She is survived by her father, Sean Tolson of Knox; her mother, Teresa (Stamper) Tolson of Knox; grandparents: Hager and Rose Tolson of Knox and Gene and Carol Stamper of Knox; brother, Jonathan Tolson of Knox; and sisters: Tasha (Adam) Minix of Knox and Shauna Tolson of Knox.

Visitation is Friday, Nov. 21 from 4 to 9 p.m. at Braman & Son Memorial Chapel, Knox. Funeral services are Saturday, Nov. 22 at 1 p.m. at Bible Baptist Church. Burial will be at Crown Hill
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Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to 1st Source Bank in Krista’s name or to the family.

**Eleanor L. (Zartman) Winrotte** Date of Death 11/18/2008

THREE RIVERS, Mich. — Eleanor L. (Zartman) Winrotte, 81, of Three Rivers, Mich., formerly of Plymouth, died Tuesday, Nov. 18, 2008. Cremation has been conducted. A memorial service will be held in the spring of 2009.

Memorial donations may be sent to UMCOR in care of the United Methodist Church. Arrangements are being handled by the Eickhoff, Farrand, Halverson Chapel of Three Rivers. Online register and condolences may be left at www.efhchapel.com

THREE RIVERS, Mich. — Eleanor L. Winrotte, 81, of Three Rivers, Mich. died Tuesday, Nov. 18, 2008 at Heartland Health Care Center in Three Rivers. She was born in Greentown, Ind. on May 4, 1927, the daughter of Walter and Alma (Fort) Zartman. She was a 1945 graduate of Tyner High School in Tyner, where she was the recipient of the D.A.R. Good Pilgrimage Award for the State of Indiana. She later attended Ball State University. Eleanor was married to Keith E. Winrotte on Jan. 16, 1949 in Plymouth.

She was a member of the United Methodist Church where she was an active volunteer and officer in several churches. Eleanor was a volunteer with the P.T.A. She enjoyed sewing, making stuffed animals and dolls, and attending area craft shows. She enjoyed travels with her husband following their retirement.

Eleanor is survived by her husband, Keith; two children: Rebecca Medich and Brian K. (Tina) Winrotte, all of Three Rivers; five grandchildren: Heather Nicole Root, Ashley Michelle Root, and Daniel Edward Root, Kimberly Ann Winrotte, and Amanda Jean Winrotte; four great-grandchildren; one brother, Carroll (Shirley) Zartman of Plymouth; several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; and by two brothers: Walter and Vance Zartman.

In keeping with her wishes, cremation has been conducted. A memorial service will be announced in the spring of 2009. Donations in her memory are suggested to UMCOR in care of the United Methodist Church, 215 N. Main St., Three Rivers, MI 49093.

The family was assisted by the Eickhoff, Farrand, Halverson Chapel of Three Rivers.

**Pauline L. "Polly" Good** Date of Death 11/19/2008

MONTEREY — Pauline L. "Polly" Good, 81, of Maple Street in Monterey, died Wednesday, Nov. 19, 2008 at 5:25 a.m. at Miller's Merry Manor, Culver.

She was born to Edward C. and Ida A. (Appler) Master in Monterey Aug. 1, 1927.

She was married to the late Lorin C. Good January 13, 1947 in Monterey. He died Aug. 8, 1969.

Polly was the owner and operator of Polly's Beauty Shop in Monterey and was an active member and organist of the St. Anne's Catholic Church. She frequently played organ at other churches in the area and was also a member of the Altar & Rosary Sodality.

Polly taught music in class at St. Anne's Catholic School in Monterey and served as secretary for the American Legion Auxillary Post #399 in Monterey. She was president of the Pulaski County Human Services Board of Directors and was an active member of the Monterey Birthday Club.

Polly had been a 4-H leader and was a member of the Pulaski Memorial Hospital Auxillary. Her family lovingly called her a "professional volunteer."

She was an avid Cubs, Bulls, Bears and Notre Dame fan. Polly loved to play golf and go
bowling. She enjoyed quilting, sewing and taking care of her flower garden.

Polly was a selfless friend to all she knew. She loves spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren.

She is survived by two sons: Master Trooper ISP Robert L. (Carla) Good of Tipton and Lt. Col. USAF Charles L. Good of Kokomo.; three grandchildren: Andrea M. (Brad) Powell of Tipton, Allison L. (Toby) Ripberger of Tipton and Tara R. Good of Kokomo; two sisters: Alberta Wilcockson of Plymouth and Jean (Rowdy) Rensberger of Argos and two brothers: Karl (June) Master and Jack (Carol) Master, all of Monterey.

She was preceded in death by her father, Edward C. Master; mother, Ida A. (Appler) Master; husband, Lorin C. Good; sisters: Dorothy Langenbahn, Wilma Kelsey, Martha Master and brothers: Phil Master, Rudy Master and John Master.

Visitation will take place from 2 to 8 EST Sunday, Nov. 30 at Frain Mortuary, 305 E. Main St., Winamac. A rosary service will take place at 2:30 p.m. EST on Sunday and a Scriptural Wake Service will take place at 7:30 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

Funeral Mass will be held at St. Anne's Catholic Church, Monterey, Monday, Dec. 1, 2008 at 10:30 a.m. EST with Rev. Bert Woolson officiating.

Burial will follow at St. Anne's Cemetery, Monterey.

In lieu of plants, memorial contributions may be made to St. Anne's Catholic Church, the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society or to the American Cancer Society.

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

Frain Mortuary, Winamac, is in charge of arrangements.

Alvin H. Hartz  Date of Death 11/19/2008

CULVER — Alvin H. Hartz, 85, of Culver, died Nov. 19, 2008 at the St. Elisabeth Regional Health Facility in Lafayette.

He is survived by sons: Hugh (Sharon) Hartz of Culver, P. Nick (Aggie) Hartz of Silver Lake and L. Douglas (Judy) Hartz of Plymouth; daughter, Pam (Douglass) Miller of Culver; nine grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

A graveside memorial service is Saturday, Dec. 13 at 10 a.m. at Culver Masonic Cemetery

Memorials may be given to the American Heart Association or American Cancer Society.

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

CULVER — Alvin H. Hartz, 85, of Culver, died Wednesday, Nov. 19, 2008 at St. Elisabeth Regional Health Facility in Lafayette, Ind.

He is survived by his sons: Hugh (Sharon) Hartz of Culver, P. Nick (Aggie) Hartz of Silver Lake, L. Douglas (Judy) Hartz of Plymouth; a daughter, Pam (Douglass) Miller of Culver; nine grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

A graveside memorial service will be held Saturday, Dec. 13 at 10 a.m. at the Culver Masonic Cemetery in Culver. Those planning to attend should meet at the cemetery.

Memorials may be given to the American Heart Association or to the American Cancer Society. Condolences may be sent via the obituary page at www.boineodom.com.

Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, 104 E. Lakeshore Dr., Culver was in charge of arrangements.
Danny L. McCormick  Date of Death 11/19/2008

CRAWFORDVILLE, Fla. — Danny L. McCormick, 54, of Crawfordville, Fla., formerly of Portage, Ind., died Wednesday, Nov. 19, 2008 in Tallahassee Memorial Hospital, from an illness.

Survivors include his mother, Dona "Dolly" McCormick of Koontz Lake, Ind.; two sisters, Debra (Les) Statton of Osceola, Ind. and Maureen McCormick of Koontz Lake, Ind.; two brothers, Jack (Annie) McCormick of Virginia City, Mont. and Gary McCormick of Koontz Lake, Ind.

Visitation will take place Monday, Nov. 24 from 4 to 8 p.m. EST and Tuesday one hour prior to the service.

Funeral services will be Tuesday, Nov. 25 at 11 a.m. Eastern Time at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel. Burial will follow at the Grovertown Cemetery. For information call, 574-586-2120.

Catherine ‘Cathy’ C. Flora Miller  Date of Death 11/19/2008

WEST LAFAYETTE — Catherine ‘Cathy’ C. Flora Miller, 90, of West Lafayette, formerly of Plymouth, died Wednesday, Nov. 19, 2008 in the High Desert Medical Center, in Joshua Tree, Calif.

She is survived by her husband, John L. ‘Jack’ Miller; a son; David (Nila) Russell of Lake Havasu City, Ariz.; daughters: Sandra K. Russell of West Lafayette and Janet D. Swinford of Joshua Tree, Calif.; 11 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

Cremation was chosen and a memorial service will be held at a later time. Family & Friends Funeral Home of Wingate is assisting the family.

WEST LAFAYETTE — Catherine ‘Cathy’ C. Flora Miller, 90 of West Lafayette, died Wednesday, Nov. 19, 2008 following a short illness in the High Desert Medical Center, in Joshua Tree, Calif., where she and her husband spent the winter months with her daughters.

Cathy was born in Plymouth on Dec. 24, 1917 the daughter of Simon and Charlotte Bryan Flora. She was a graduate of Plymouth High School and she had lived on the west coast for several years before returning to Lafayette in 1955. On Aug. 26, 1967 she was married to John L. ‘Jack’ Miller in Lafayette, he survives. Together they had traveled and constructed several homes in West Lafayette. Cathy also took great pride in her flower gardens and enjoyed her grandchildren.

Surviving along with her husband are a son, David Russell (wife Nila) of Lake Havasu City, Ariz; two daughters: Sandra K. Russell and Janet D. Swinford, both of Joshua Tree, Calif.; eight grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

Preceding her in death along with her parents were a daughter Carole A. Rachel; granddaughters: Crissa Swinford and Elizabeth Ann Dillingham; three sisters: Paula J. Stevens of Medaryville, Mildred Price of Lafayette, and Delores Singer of South Bend.

A memorial service will be held Sunday, June 28, 2009 at 1 p.m. at Family & Friends Funeral Home of Wingate with family members officiating.

To leave an online condolence visit us at familyandfriendsfh.com

John M. Voreis  Date of Death 11/19/2008

HAMLET — John M. Voreis, 88, passed away Wednesday, Nov. 19, 2008 in Golden Living Center, Knox. Mr. Voreis was born Dec. 4, 1919 in Valparaiso to Roscoe and Trelia (Truex) Voreis and lived in the area all of his life. On April 11, 1970 in Knox, he was married to Frances
Samuels Arndt, who survives. Also surviving are: one son, Robert (Judy) Voreis of Brownsville, Texas; two step-daughters: Joan Arndt and Kathy Singleton, both of Knox; one step-son, Leslie (Bonnie) Arndt Jr. of Rochester; one brother, Ira Voreis of Florida; 11 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one step-daughter, Nancy (Jim) Singleton; one step-son, Mike Arndt; and one granddaughter, Doris Haynes.

Mr. Voreis was a former heavy equipment operator and retired from the Operating Engineers Local 150. He was a U.S. Army veteran of WWII and a life member of the Hamlet American Legion Post #356. He loved gardening and working in his yard.

Funeral services will be Saturday at 1 p.m. CST at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel with Pastors Matt Elliott and James Singleton officiating. Burial will be in the Fletcher Cemetery, Hamlet. Military graveside services will be conducted by the Hamlet American Legion.

Robert Nelson Lightfoot  Date of Death 11/20/2008

LAKEVILLE — Bob Lightfoot, 80, of Lakeville, passed away suddenly at 7:30 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 20, 2008 at his home. Bob was a lifelong resident of Lakeville. He was born May 5, 1928 in North Liberty to Nelson and Cecile (Day) Lightfoot. He married the former Jean Mikel in 1949. They celebrated their 59th wedding anniversary on Wednesday, Nov. 19.

Along with his wife, Jean, he is survived by his son, Michael N. (Jacci) Lightfoot of Wakarusa; son-in-law, Kent M. Gilmer of South Bend; four grandchildren: Sarah (Chad) Berger of LaPaz, Carrie (Steve) Smith of Mishawaka, Robbie Lightfoot and Ryne Lightfoot, both of Wakarusa; three great-grandchildren, Michaela Berger, Jackson Smith and Ryann Smith; sister, Helen Ruth Wiegand of Lakeville; and brother, Richard "Dick" (Marilyn) Lightfoot of Plymouth.


Bob was employed by Studebaker, Heat Treat and Hop Cap before becoming self employed in woodworking. He was an active member of Lakeville United Methodist Church, where he sang in the choir for over 30 years and served on various committees. He also served as part of the Lakeville Fire Department for over 20 years. Bob loved watching his grandsons, granddaughters and three great-grandchildren. A man of quiet strength, Bob will be deeply missed by his family.

Friends are invited to visit with the family from 2 to 8 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, 2008 and 10 to11 a.m. Monday in the Lakeville United Methodist Church, 610 N. Michigan St. Lakeville. A celebration of his life will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Nov. 24, in the church. Rev. Larry Dimick will officiate. Burial will follow in Southlawn Cemetery, South Bend. Palmer Funeral Home, Lakeville is assisting the family with arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to his two passions, Lakeville United Methodist Church, 610 N. Michigan St., Lakeville, IN 46536 or Bethel College Basketball, 1001 McKinley, Mishawaka, IN 46545.

Online condolences may be made at www.palmerfuneralhomes.com

Peggy A. Splix Nelson  Date of Death 11/20/2008

LAKE WORTH, Fla. – A funeral service for Peggy A. Splix Nelson will be held at the Plymouth Missionary Church, 1350 E. Jefferson Street, at 11 a.m. on Thursday, Nov. 20, 2008.

Friends will be welcomed by her family from 4 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, November 19, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Visitation will continue one hour prior to services in the church.
Burial will be in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts to the Peggy Nelson Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Online condolences may be sent to the family through the funeral home’s Web site at www.johnson-danielson.com.

Vanessa Martinez  Date of Death 11/21/2008

ARGOS — Vanessa Martinez, of Argos, was stillborn on Friday, Nov. 21, 2008 at Memorial Hospital in South Bend.

She is survived by her parents, Marco and Maria Mineva Martinez, and her two brothers: Marco Jr. and Oswaldo, all at home.

Funeral services for will be held Tuesday, Nov. 25 at 7 p.m. at Van Gilder Funeral Home. Visitation is Tuesday, Nov. 25 from 6 to 7 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth.

Richard Lowell Stout  Date of Death 11/21/2008

SEBRING, Fla. — Richard Lowell Stout, 69, of Sebring, Fla., passed away Friday, Nov. 21, 2008, at his home. He was born June 10, 1939, to William Leslie and Ruby (Kenneth) Stout in Winchester, Ohio, and moved to Sebring from Ohio. He was a salesman in the trucking industry and was a veteran of the U.S. Marines, serving during peacetime. He was a member of the Moose Lodge, a lifetime member of the American Legion and Amvets and was of the Christian faith. He enjoyed golfing, fishing, traveling, cooking, entertaining friends and spending time with family.

Mr. Stout is survived by his wife, Debra Stout; mother, Ruby Tanner; children: Risa (Gary) Boone, Shelley (Jeff) Patton, Rich Stout, all of Hillsboro, Ohio; Danielle (Richie) Erwin, Sebring, Fla. And Walker (Lani) Stout, Annville, Pa; brother, Leslie Stout of Seguin, Texas; sister, Sherry (Bud) Ritchie, Hillsboro, Ohio; numerous nieces and nephews and 14 grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his father, William Leslie Stout.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec.6, 2008, at Hillsboro Bible Baptist Church in Hillsboro, Ohio.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Good Shepherd Hospice of Highlands County, 4418 Sun 'n Lake Blvd., Sebring, FL 33872 or VA Fisher House in West Palm Beach, FL.

Arrangements have been entrusted to:
Stephenson-Nelson Funeral Home
Sebring, Florida 33870
863-385-0125

Helen L. Cole  Date of Death 11/22/2008

WALKERTON — Helen L. Cole, 94, died Saturday, Nov. 22, 2008 in Memorial Hospital, South Bend.

She is survived by five daughters: Janet Cole of California, Rosalie Hayward of Lafayette, Helen Harbin of Mishawaka, MarJean McCarthy of Chicago, Ill. and Billie Jo Harshey of Indianapolis; three sons: Larry Cole of Pearl River, La., Walter Cole of South Bend and Jerry Cole of Walkerton; 16 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; brother, Bud Perkins of Hamlet; and sister, Doris Robinson of Walkerton. Private graveside services will take place at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be given to the hospice of choice. Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet
Reva L. Klinedinst  Date of Death 11/22/2008

PLYMOUTH — Reva L. Klinedinst, 87, of 4620 Olive Rd., Plymouth, passed away, Saturday, Nov. 22, 2008, at her home.

Reva was born on Aug. 28, 1921, in Lakeville, to William and Hazel (Ransberger) Zentz. Reva and Alfred Klinedinst were married on April 28, 1939, in Plymouth. Alfred passed away on Feb. 21, 1977. She worked at South Bend Supply for five years and also at the Walkerton Post Office. She was a member of the Tyner United Methodist Church, the Tyner Rebekah Lodge, and had lived in the Plymouth-Tyner area most of her life.

She is survived by her sons: Alfred “Sonny” (Shirley) Klinedinst of Plymouth and Lewis “Lew” (Faye) Klinedinst of Plymouth; her daughter-in-law, Nenneth Klinedinst of Plymouth; 10 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; and eight great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Alfred; her son, Garry, and her brother, Roderick Zentz.

A time of visiting with the family will be Wednesday, Nov. 26, 2008, from 4 to 7 p.m. at the VAN GILDER FUNERAL HOME, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

The funeral service will be Friday, Nov. 28, 2008, at 2 p.m. at the VAN GILDER FUNERAL HOME, Plymouth, with the Rev. Mike Dixon officiating.

Burial will be in the Tyner Cemetery, Tyner.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, Inc., 112 S. Center St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

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

Betty Lou Lutes  Date of Death 11/22/2008

NAPPANEE — Betty Lou Lutes, 80, of US 6 west in Nappanee, died Saturday, Nov. 22, 2008 at 4:45 a.m. at Elkhart General Hospital, Elkhart following a brief illness.

She is survived by four daughters: Debra (Roger) Briscoe of Nappanee, Patricia Grove of Nappanee, Rose (Orville) Scott, Tomah, Wisc. and Sue (John) Reaker, of Elkhart, Ind.; a son, Robert Hamilton of Plant City, Fla.; 10 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren and a brother, Charles E. Weaver of Nappanee.

Visitation will be Monday, Nov. 24 from 2 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to the funeral service Tuesday at Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, 950 N. Main St. Nappanee.

Funeral services will take place Tuesday, Nov. 25 at 2 p.m. at Nappanee Church of the Brethren and burial will follow at Stony Point Cemetery, Nappanee.

Memorials may be made to Nappanee Church of the Brethren.

Angela "Angie" K. Beatty  Date of Death 11/23/2008

PLYMOUTH — Angela "Angie" K. Beatty, 36, died Sunday, Nov. 23, 2008 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth, after a long battle with Lupus.

She is survived by her fiancé of 10 years, Duane A. Alexander; her daughter, Kayla K. Beatty
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Donna Jane Rock Crispen  Date of Death 11/23/2008


Visitation is Friday, Nov. 28 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, and one hour prior to the service Saturday. Funeral services are Saturday, Nov. 29 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at the Richland Center IOOF Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to The Old Cross Road Baptist Church of Gilead.

Ethel Marie Mathias  Date of Death 11/23/2008

ROCHESTER — Ethel Marie Mathias, 91, of Rochester, died at 6:15 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, 2008 at Life Care Center of Rochester.

She is survived by a son, James I. Mathias of Rochester; sisters: Hattie Baldwin, Agatha Marsh and Thelma Frettinger, all of Rochester; and brothers: Charles Moon of Mishawaka, William (Marilyn) Moon of Rochester and Donald (Ema) Moon of Florida.

Visitation is Friday, Nov. 28 from 9 to 11 a.m. in the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Funeral services are Friday, Nov. 28 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the First Church of God, and The Old Cross Road Baptist Church of Gilead.

Myrtle VonCiele Toborg  Date of Death 11/23/2008

PLYMOUTH — Myrtle VonCiele Toborg, 67, of Plymouth, died Sunday, Nov. 23, 2008 at home.

She is survived by daughters: Janell Larew of Plymouth and Audra (Frank) Gaines of LaPaz; son, John (Tina) Toborg of Madison, Wis.; brother, Robert Petit Jr. of Merrillville; and 11 grandchildren. A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, is in charge of the arrangements.
Sandra Jo Cook  Date of Death 11/24/2008

PLYMOUTH — Sandra Jo Cook, 71, of 101 N. Liberty St., Plymouth, passed away Monday, Nov. 24, 2008, at 6:50 a.m. at Miller’s Merry Manor, in Plymouth, following a brief illness.

Sandra was born on Oct. 4, 1937, in Plymouth, to Merton and Jessie (Becker) Synder. Sandra and Fred Cook were married on Oct. 9, 1955, in Plymouth. Fred passed away on Jan. 2, 2005. Sandra worked in the S.P.D. Department at Saint Joseph Medical Center, in South Bend. She was an active volunteer with the American Red Cross in Plymouth and in South Bend. During those years she served in many capacities. She served for 31 years at the Notre Dame football games, as a volunteer with the American Red Cross and her last assignment was in the Press Box at the games. She was a member of the Michiana Nutones and the Plymouth Baptist Church. Sandra was a 28-year cancer survivor.

She is survived by her daughter, Nancy Jo (Craig) Belting of Osceola; her sons: Fred “Dan” (Lori) Cook of Jackson, Tenn. and Jim Cook of Plymouth; her mother, Jessie Snyder of Bremen; her sister, Nancy (Darrell) Lee of Argos; her brothers: Stephen (Marge) Snyder of South Bend and Stewart (Rose) Snyder of Plymouth; her sister-in-law, Bonnie Snyder of South Bend; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Fred Cook; her father, Merton Snyder; and her brother, Bruce Snyder.

A time of visiting with the family will be Friday, Nov. 28, 2008, from 5 to 8 p.m. at the VAN GILDER FUNERAL HOME, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m., Saturday, Nov. 29, 2008, at the VAN GILDER FUNERAL HOME, with the Rev. Douglas Jividen officiating. Burial will be in New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorials may be made to the American Red Cross of Saint Joseph County or the American Red Cross of Marshall County.

Family and friends are invited to sign the guest book and share memories of Sandra, with her family, at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com

Mary Lou Truex  Date of Death 11/24/2008

NAPPANEE — Mary Lou Truex, 79, of Nappanee died unexpectedly Monday, Nov. 24 at 4:30 p.m. at her home of natural causes.

She was born Aug. 19, 1929 in South Bend to Ruben Schmucker and Mary Rink and was a lifetime Beech Road resident. She married Roy Truex Jr. Nov. 9, 1947. He preceded in death July 3, 1986.

She was the owner of Schmucker LP Gas, which was started by her parents. They have been in business more than 62 years, serving the greater Nappanee area, and it was said "business was her life."

She is survived by a niece, Kelly Enkoff of Indianapolis, cousins: Pat (Rolland) Heckaman of Nappanee, Nancy Hickey of South Bend, Cheryl (Wayne) Cline of Goshen and Denny (Brenda) Heckaman of Goshen; business associates and close friends: Keith and Ronda Klotz of Nappanee; and caretaker: Ursula (Mike) Luttman of Nappanee.

Visitation is Friday, Nov. 28 from 2 to 8 p.m. at the Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home in Nappanee. Funeral services are Saturday, Nov. 29 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at South Union Cemetery.
Memorials may be made to Camp Millhouse.

James L. Chaney  Date of Death 11/27/2008

WALKERTON — James L. Chaney, 50, of Walkerton, died Thursday, Nov. 27, 2008 at his home in Battle Creek, Mich.

He is survived by his mother Cristine (Miguel) Torres of Knox; wife, Judy Chaney of Battle Creek, Mich.; one son, Christopher Chaney of Walkerton; three daughters: Katrina (Billy) Miller, Amanda Chaney and Rhonda (Edward) Chaney, all of Rochester.

Visitation took place Sunday, Nov. 30 from 1 to 4 p.m. at Nusbaum-Elkin Funeral Home and funeral services took place Sunday at 4 p.m.


PLYMOUTH — Henry C. “Khin” Murray, Jr., 42, of Plymouth, died Thursday, Nov. 27, 2008 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center in Plymouth.

Mr. Murray had lived in Plymouth since 1988, moving there from Texas. He was a former construction worker and a member of the Trinity United Methodist Church in Plymouth.


Also surviving is a daughter, Amanda E. Murray of Plymouth; his father and step-mother, Henry C. and Barbara Murray Sr. of Gilmer, Texas; his step-father, Joseph Collings of Bacliff, Texas; a sister, Caren Wise of Salem, N.C.; a brother, Donald Murray of Houston, Texas; a step-sister, Susan Huggins of Gilmer, Texas; and two step-brothers: Jason Collings of Minneapolis, Minn. and Robert Brem of Lake Jackson, Texas.

Preceding him in death were his mother, Margaret Collings in 2006, and a daughter, Leah K. Murray on July 31, 1992.

A private family memorial service will be held at a later date, with private inurnment of the ashes in Greenwood Cemetery, LaGrange.

Memorials may be made to Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Arrangements are being handled my Frurip-May Funeral Home in LaGrange.

Condolences may be left for the family at www.fruripmayfuneralhome.com

Marcella M. Schmeltz  Date of Death 11/27/2008

ARGOS — Marcella M. Schmeltz, 90, died at Willow Creek Assisted Living.

Marcella is survived by her sons: Dale (Joan) of Hillsdale, Mich. and Leroy (Diana) of Belleville, Mich.; five grandchildren and one great-grandchild and her brother, Raymond (Mary) McGriff of Argos.

Visitation was held at the David C. Brown Funeral Home in Belleville, Mich. Saturday Nov. 29, 2008 from 2 to 8 p.m.

Visitation will also be held at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos, Ind. From 4 to 8 p.m. Monday Dec. 1, 2008.
Funeral services will be Tuesday Dec. 2, 2008 at 1 p.m. at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to In-House Hospice Solutions.

Electronic condolences may be sent to the family at: memorials@earl-grossmanfuneral.com

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

Victor Raymond Ivanuski  Date of Death 11/29/2008

PLYMOUTH – Victor Raymond Ivanuski, 83, died of natural causes in the Catherine Kasper Living Center, Donaldson at 3:05 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 29, 2008.

Born in Soland Springs, Wis. on May 23, 1925, Victor was the son of Stanley Ivanuski.

He graduated from Kelley High School in Chicago, in 1943. During World War II, he served in a U.S. Construction Battalion in the United States Navy, commonly known as the “Seabees.” As a Gunner’s Mate 2/C, Victor was an explosive expert and saw action in the re-invasion of the Phillipines.

In the spring of 1945, in Chicago, Victor and Alice Bishop Harper were married. Alice died on Christmas Eve of 1993.

After his discharge, Victor used the GI Bill to attend Wilson Junior College in Chicago. In 1950, during the Korean War, he was called back into service. Following his second service discharge, he enrolled in the Illinois Institute of Technology.

He worked for the Institute’s not-for-profit research program. A chemical engineer, Victor solved many problems for the military and the Atomic Energy Commission. He was also involved with the Space Program and is credited for devising a fluffy paint that reflected heat. It is used on the back-packs of the astronauts and on the moon-lander to help keep the temperatures from getting too high.

A lot of his work was — and is—“top secret.”

Victor retired from the IITRI in 1983, but was frequently called back to Chicago to work on various problems.

He and Alice, using a settlement from a train accident, bought a home and 20 acres in Polk Township of Marshall County in the 1980s.

An excellent duplicate bridge player, he served as the director of both the Monday morning duplicate games at the Moose Family Lodge and an evening bridge club that met at Miller’s Merry Manor.

In addition to bridge, Victor enjoyed watching sports on TV and was an ardent Chicago Cub fan.

He is survived by a nephew, John Michial Hammitt, Seebright, N.J., and a niece-in-law, Lois A. Hammitt, Chandler, Ark.

Two great-nieces, Christina Lynn Hammitt, Birmingham, Mich., and Debra Renee Hammitt, Chandler, Ark., and a great-nephew, David Jeffrey Hammitt, also of Chandler, survive as well.

Victor was preceded in death by his wife, Alice, and a sister, Catherine Hammitt.

A graveside service will be held in the New Oakhill Cemetery at 2 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 5, 2008.

The Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, is in charge of arrangements.
**Dorothy F. Wedding  Date of Death 11/29/2008**

KOONTZ LAKE — Dorothy F. Wedding, 90, died Saturday, Nov. 29, 2008 at Koont.

She is survived by three daughters: Phyllis (Ron) Smith of Winter Haven, Fla., Joan (Roger) Back and Donna (George) Martis, all of Walkerton, Ind.; 12 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren and one sister, Marion Peters of DeMotte, Ind.

Visitation will take place Wednesday, Dec. 3, 2008 from 3 to 8 p.m. CST and Thursday one hour prior to the service.

Funeral services will be Thursday, Dec. 4 at 11 a.m. CT at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel.

Burial will follow at the Grovertown Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to The Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, Inc., 111 Sunnybrook Court, South Bend, IN 46637.

**Willard D., Sr. Williams  Date of Death 11/29/2008**

Willard D. 'Will' Williams Sr., 76, formerly of South Bend, died Saturday, Nov. 29, 2008 in Milwaukee, Wis.

He is survived by his wife, Leona "Lee"; children: Willard, Jr. (Jeanne), Teresa and James Sr. (Ada); 15 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; sisters: Betty Kaiser and Doris Sliter; and brother, and Harold (Judy) Farver.

Services were held at the Krause Funeral Home, New Berlin, Wis. Monday, Dec. 1.

**Herbert A. Keck  Date of Death 11/30/2008**

WALKERTON – Herbert A. Keck, 82, a lifetime resident of the Walkerton and Teegarden area, died of natural causes at 7:25 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 30, 2008, in the Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Herbert was born in Teegarden on Feb. 24, 1926. He was the son of James M. and Lydia E. (Matz) Keck.

He graduated from the Tyner High School with the Class of 1944.

Herbert served in the United States Armed Forces for three years in the European Theatre.

On Feb. 26, 1950, in Teegarden, Herbert and LaVerne C. Lemert were married.

He was an employee of the Bendix Corp. in South Bend for 45 years, retiring in 1989, as the Chief Time Keeping superintendent.

Herbert loved to sing, read and do crossword puzzles. He enjoyed doing outdoor work around his home.

He is survived by LaVerne, his devoted wife of almost 59 years, and by their three sons. They are: Lorie A. (Kathy) Keck, of Lost Creek, Ky., Robbie L. (Suzan) Keck, and Jamie R. Keck, all of Walkerton.
A sister, Treva G. (Glenn) Rodgers of Nappanee and seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren survive as well.

Herbert was preceded in death by his parents and by a brother, Harley J. Keck.

Friends are invited to visit with the family and celebrate the life of Herbert from 3 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 2, 2008, and after 7 a.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 3, 2008, at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth and continue one hour prior to services in the church.

Funeral services for Herbert will be at 10:30 on Wednesday, December 3, 2008, at the First Brethren Church of Teegarden where he was a longtime member. His sons, the Rev. Rob Keck and Lorie Keck will officiate.

Interment will be in the Morris Cemetery, west of LaPaz on U.S. 6 where military honors will be provided by members of the Plymouth American Legion Post 27.

Memorial gifts in Herbert's name may be made to the First Brethren Church, Teegarden.

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

Phyllis Ruth (Shirar) Keller  Date of Death 11/30/2008

BERNE — Phyllis Ruth (Shirar) Keller, 77, a resident of Swiss Village in Berne, died at 11:30 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 30, 2008 at Adams Memorial Hospital. At her request, her body was donated as an anatomical gift to Indiana University.

She was born on Dec. 5, 1930, in Plymouth to Alvy F. Shirar and Eva A. (Webster) Shirar. She was a homemaker. While living in Berne she was an active member of the First Missionary Church as long as her health permitted. She loved youth and was involved in helping with the First Missionary Youth Quizzing program for several years.

She is survived by one daughter, Linda Sue (Kenneth J.) Ruddy of Newnan, Ga.; one son, Frederick P. (Diane) Keller of Guam; one granddaughter, Jennifer Lee Keller of Guam; a sister-in-law, Peggy Shirar of Coupeville, Wash.; a niece, Kathy (Larry) Neiman of Coupeville, Washington and a great-nephew, Zachary Neiman of Coupeville, Washington.

She is preceded in death by her parents and one brother, Donald J. Shirar.

She was faithful to her Savior, Jesus Christ and is now in His presence in Heaven. No funeral service will be held.

Memorials may be given to the Swiss Village Endowment Fund, Swiss Village, 1350 W. Main Street, Berne, IN 46711.

Hermel E. Stevens  Date of Death 11/30/2008

DELONG — Hermel E. Stevens, 77, of Delong, died Sunday, Nov. 30, 2008 at home.

He is survived by his wife, Sharon L. Stevens; daughters: Denise (Mike) Atkins of Grovertura and Deana Flenner of Mentone; sons: David (Trudy) Stevens of Fort Payne, Ala., Donald (Dianna) Stevens of Morehead, Ky. and Dwight (Rhonda) Stevens of Delong; 12 grandchildren; one great-grandchild; sister, Dollie Samons of Olive Hill, Ky.; and brother, Stanley Stevens of Delong.

Visitation is Tuesday, Dec. 2 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, and one hour prior to the service Wednesday. Funeral services are Wednesday, Dec. 3 at 11 a.m. at
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Marguerite Mitchell Frost  Date of Death 12/1/2008

MUNDELEIN, Ill. — Marguerite Mitchell Frost, 91, of Mundelein, Ill., formerly of Rochester, died Dec. 1, 2008 at Libertyville Manor Nursing Care Facility, Libertyville, Ill.

She is survived by daughter, Phyllis (George) Philbrick of Palatine, Ill.; sons: David Frost of Mundelein, Ill. And Jack (Linda) Frost of Maryland; daughter-in-law, Nadine Frost of Washington; two grandchildren; sisters: Carol Mitchell (Carl) Bennett of Indiana and Elaine Mitchell (Bill) VanLue of Florida; brother, Robert (Janice) Mitchell of Pittsboro; and brother-in-law, John Frost of North Carolina.

A graveside service will be held Sunday, July 12 at 11:30 a.m. at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. The Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, is in charge of the arrangements.

Richard E. Poulson  Date of Death 12/2/2008


He is survived by his wife, Nancy; sons: Kent E. (Angie) Poulson of Donaldson and Brian T. (Martha) Poulson of Wakarusa; daughters: Regina K. (Dave) White of Knox and Renee S. (Rick) Fites of Bourbon; 13 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; brother, Don Poulson of South Bend; and sister, Opal (John Vernon “Jack”) Jackson of Naples, Fla.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Friday, Dec. 5 at the Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen. Burial will be at the Bremen Cemetery. Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 4 at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Marshall County.

Roy L. Cox  Date of Death 12/5/2008

BREMEN — Roy L. Cox, 70, of Lake of the Woods, Bremen, died Friday, Dec. 5, 2008, at 2:46 p.m. at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center in Plymouth.

He is survived by his wife: Sandra K. Cox of Bremen; daughter, Melinda (Steve) Gonce of Plymouth; sons: Jeff (Colleen) Cox of Rochester, Tony (Teresa) Cox of Tippecanoe and Todd (Nada) Cox of Phoenix, Ariz.; nine grandchildren; and one great-grandson.

Services will be held Wednesday, Dec. 10 at 1 p.m. at Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen. Burial will follow at Bremen Cemetery. Visitation is two hours prior to service Wednesday.

Mary L. Humbarger  Date of Death 12/5/2008

TUCSON, ARIZ. — Mary L. Humbarger, 93, formerly of Rochester, died Friday, Dec. 5, 2008 at 10:27 p.m. at her home in Tucson, Ariz.

She is survived by two daughters: Darla (Leo) Klotz of Battle Creek, Mich. and Susanne (Wayne) Engle of Tucson, Ariz.; two sons: David (Deanne) Humbarger of Sauetia, Ariz. and Daniel (Barbara) Humbarger of Eager, Ariz.; 10 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren and a brother, Herbert (Armata) Fish of Battle Creek, Mich.

Private services will be held Monday, Dec. 15 with burial to follow at Reichter Cemetery.
Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, is in charge of arrangements.

Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com

**Harriet J. BonDurant  Date of Death 12/6/2008**

SOUTH BEND — Harriet J. BonDurant, 92, died Dec. 6, 2008, a resident of the Sanctuary at St. Paul's.

She is survived by a daughter, Susan Arnold (Dr. P.G.) of Rochester, Minn.; a son, Bruce (Catherine) BonDurant of South Bend; seven grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 21 at the First Presbyterian Church, 333 W. Colfax Ave., South Bend. Friends may visit with the family in the church parlor immediately after the service. Burial will take place at the Bremen Cemetery. Palmer Funeral Home, 2528 Mishawaka Ave., South Bend, is in charge of arrangements.

**Sarah Beth King  Date of Death 12/6/2008**

TIPPECANOE — Sarah Beth King, 18, of Tippecanoe, Ind., died Saturday, Dec. 6, 2008 at 3:15 a.m. as a result of a one vehicle automobile accident on Elm Road near 14B Road in Marshall County.

She is survived by her parents: Thomas and Kristi King of Tippecanoe; her sister, Chelsea King and her nephew, Cayden Bradley, also at home; paternal grandmother, Sue Griffis of Bourbon; maternal grandfather, Marv Wickens of Mentone, along with several aunts, uncles and friends.

Visitation services will take place from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 9 at the Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, 115 S. Main St. Bourbon, Ind. and for one hour before services in the church on Wednesday.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, Dec. 10 at 10 a.m. at Bourbon First United Methodist Church.

Burial will follow in Pleasant Hill Cemetery at Bourbon, Ind.

The family requests any memorial contributions be made to a charity of your choice or to the Triton Class Senior Trip in her memory.

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

**Danny Eugene Swanson  Date of Death 12/6/2008**

ROCHESTER — Danny Eugene Swanson, 62, of Skyview Lane, Rochester, died Saturday, Dec. 6, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Lou (Burkett) Swanson; a daughter, Shelly (Bill) Armour, of Mill Creek, Ind.; four sons: Doug Swanson of LaPorte, Ind., Ray Swanson of LaPorte, Dan J. (Misty) Swanson of Rochester and Matt Swanson of Rochester; four grandchildren; a sister, Tina Combs of New Tazewell, Tenn.; a brother, Chuck (Rose) Swanson of Rochester, numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and pets.

Visitation will take place Tuesday, Dec. 9 from 4 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to services Wednesday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St. Rochester.

Funeral services will take place at the funeral home Wednesday, Dec. 10 at 10 a.m.
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Burial will follow at Athens Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Faith Outreach Church. 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.

**Wilma Jean Alderfer Date of Death 12/7/2008**

ARGOS – Wilma Jean Alderfer, 84, of 8841 18th Rd., Argos, died Sunday, Dec. 7, 2008 at 1:53 p.m. at Hickory Creek of Rochester following a lengthy illness. She was born Feb. 2, 1924 in Walnut to Lawrence and Mary (Biddinger) Bodey. On Nov. 11, 1945 at the Walnut Gospel Church of Walnut, she married Weldon C. Alderfer.

Wilma graduated with the class of 1942 from Argos High School where she was the salutatorian and had perfect attendance all 12 years of school. Living all of her life in the Argos community, she retired from the Indiana Department of Transportation – Plymouth Sub-District as manager where she had worked from 1961 to 1987. She also served two terms as the Walnut Township Trustee and was a precinct committeeman for years.

She was involved with local children evangelism with Betty Murdick and taught Sunday School classes for many years. She was a member of the Seventh-Day Adventist Church of Rochester. She and her husband also helped with local foster children.

She is survived by her husband, Weldon C. Alderfer of Argos; son, Roger L. (Elaine) Alderfer of Greenfield; daughter, Gloria (Kenneth) Smith of Argos; step granddaughter, Suzette (Douglas) Bergstedt of Logansport; four step great-grandchildren: and sister, Mary Ellen (Allen) Trump of Argos.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a sister, Francis Lowe.

Friends may visit with the family Wednesday, Dec. 10 from 4 to 8 pm at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos. Services will be at 1 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 11 at the funeral home with Rev. Don English and Rev. Wayne Speicher officiating. Burial will be at Richland Center Cemetery, Argos.

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. Fred, Jr Crown Date of Death 12/7/2008**


He is survived by daughters: Nancy (Rev. Merlyn) Jones of Ostego, Mich., Patricia Kemp of San Antonio, Texas and Penny Collins of Mt. Orab, Ohio; eight grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and his brother, Francis (Evie) Crown of Ankeny, Iowa.

Funeral services will be Friday, Dec. 12 at 2 p.m. at Faith Baptist Church in Mount Vernon. Burial will follow at Mound View Cemetery in Mount Vernon. Visitation is at the church Friday from noon until time of the service at 2 p.m.

The Snyder Funeral Homes in Mount Vernon, Ohio, is in charge of the arrangements.

**Harold C. "Gibby" Gibbons Date of Death 12/7/2008**

ROCHESTER — Harold C. “Gibby” Gibbons, 85, of Rochester, died at 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 7, 2008 at Memorial Hospital, South Bend.
He is survived by his wife, Marjorie Gibbons; sons: H. Devon Gibbons and companion Chris Newell of Rochester and Don L. (Walter Howard) Gibbons of San Francisco, Calif.; one grandson; sister, Katherine Hatten of Indianapolis; and brothers: Robert (Joyce) Gibbons of Plymouth and Frank (Jean) Gibbons of Cold Spring, Texas.

Visitation is Wednesday, Dec. 10 from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, and one hour prior to the service Thursday. Funeral services are Thursday, Dec. 11 at 2 p.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 VFW.

Betty Marie Haag  Date of Death 12/7/2008

PLYMOUTH – Betty Marie Haag, 78, a lifetime resident of Plymouth, died Sunday, Dec. 7, 2008, at 4:30 p.m., at her residence, 15589 W. 7th Rd., Plymouth.

Born in Plymouth on Sept. 30, 1930, she was the daughter of Lloyd and Ellen Marie Stuckey Shafer.

She graduated from LaPaz High School with the class of 1949.


Paul and Betty purchased a farm and raised registered Black Angus cattle. As a family, they were very active in 4-H.


Her family, especially her grandchildren, were most dear to Betty. She enjoyed attending Angus cattle shows. She was celebrated as being an excellent cook and housekeeper.

Betty is survived by her husband, “Bud,” and their son, Michael Paul and daughter-in-law, Peggy, and by their daughter Margaret Marie and son-in-law, James Berger, all of Plymouth.

Her grandchildren, Michael and Peggy’s children, Jeremy Haag of Jefferson, Ga. and Chad Haag of Plymouth and Margaret and James’ children, Kim Berger of Leland, Ill. and Jason (Jenny) Berger and great-grandson, Jacob Berger, all of Plymouth, survive as well.

A brother, Eldon (Dodie) Shafer, Plymouth, also survives.

Betty was preceded in death by her parents and three brothers: Charles, Vernon and Edward “Babe” Shafer.

The family will welcome friends to share memories Thursday, Dec. 11, 2008, from 4 to 8 p.m., and after 7 a.m. Friday, Dec. 12 at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Betty will be held Friday, Dec. 12 at 10:30 a.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home. The Rev. Steven Van Houghton, pastor of the Pine Creek Church of the Brethren where Betty was a member will officiate.

Burial will be in the New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial gifts in Betty’s memory may be made to The Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, Inc.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family via the funeral home’s Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com
**Deloris L. Hudkins  Date of Death 12/8/2008**

ROCHESTER — Deloris L. Hudkins, 87, of Avilla, Ind., formerly of Rochester, died Monday, Dec. 8, 2008 at 9:25 a.m. at Parkview Noble in Kendallville, Ind.

She is survived by three sons: Stephen Hudkins of Kent, Ohio, Joe (Janine) Hudkins of Lexington, Ky. And Tom (Patti) Hudkins of Avilla, Ind.; eight grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; a sister, Arlene (Emery) Baer of Longansport, Ind. And a brother-in-law, Francis (Mary) Hudkins of Kewanna, Ind.

Visitation will take place from 1 to 2 p.m. Friday, Dec. 12 at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester.

Funeral services will take place at 2 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

Burial will follow at Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

**Minnie Krynski  Date of Death 12/8/2008**

DELPHI — Minnie Krynski, 82, of Delphi, died Monday, Dec. 8, 2008 in Pulaski Memorial Hospital, Winamac.

She is survived by one grandson, Phillip Rogers; sisters: Elsie (Edgar) Bailey of Knox and Mattie Watson Young of Mishawaka; brothers: Roy Watson of North Judson and Harley Watson of Modesto, Calif.

Funeral services will be Saturday, Dec. 13 at 1 p.m. Central Time at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel. Burial will be in the Fletcher Cemetery, Hamlet. Visitation is Friday, Dec. 12 from 3 to 6 p.m. CST and Saturday one hour prior to the service.

Memorial contributions may be given to the American Parkinson Disease Association or the American Diabetes Association.

**Karl P. Redweik  Date of Death 12/8/2008**

SAN PIERRE — Karl P. Redweik, 61, of San Pierre, died Monday, Dec. 8, 2008 at home.

He is survived by his daughter, Karla (Daniel) Kreamer of Winamac; son, Martin (Leslie) Redweik of Knox; sister: Olga A. Matzat of Culver; brothers: Ewald Redweik of Kewanna and Rolland Redweik of North Judson; eight grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Visitation is Thursday, Dec. 11 from 4 to 8 p.m. CT at the O’Donnell Funeral Home, Inc., North Judson. Funeral services are Friday, Dec. 12 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at Highland Cemetery, North Judson.

**Lowell S. “Butch” Emmons  Date of Death 12/9/2008**

LAPAZ — Lowell S. “Butch” Emmons, 72, was a lifelong resident of LaPaz. He passed away at 6:10 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 9, 2008 in Bremen Hospital of natural causes.

Mr. Emmons was born to Sherman Emmons Sr. and Thelma (Wright) Emmons on March 27, 1936 at their family farm just outside of LaPaz.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Joyce Mutz and his brothers, Everett, Dave, Ernest, Sherman Jr., Ward and Guy Keith.

He graduated from LaPaz High School in 1954. He served in the United States Army for three
years as a Military Police Officer.

On Sept. 5, 1964, he married Donella Jane (Funk) Emmons. Mr. Emmons is survived by his loving wife, Donella of LaPaz, and their three children; DeAnna Emmons of Charlotte, N.C., Elizabeth (Darro) Mangus of Plymouth and James Emmons of Mishawaka. He is also survived by his four grandchildren, Jason, Lauren, Jacob and Rebekah and three great grandchildren, Bailey, Braeden and Grace; his brother Dennis Emmons Sr. and sister, Wilma Renforth, both of Plymouth.

“Butch” was a member of the local Ironworkers #292 of South Bend and was a honorary member of the VFW in Bremen. He loved playing euchre and enjoyed spending time with his family.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 13, in the Palmer Funeral Home, 314 S. Michigan St. Lakeville. Rev. Norm Replogle will officiate the services.

Graveside services and burial will follow at Fair Cemetery on Oak Road in North Liberty. Visitation hours will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 12, in the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Union North Ambulance Service, P.O. Box 510, Lakeville, IN 46536.

Online condolences may be made at www.palmerfuneralhomes.com.

H. Joe Huddle  Date of Death 12/9/2008

CULVER — H. Joe Huddle, 69, of Culver, died Tuesday, Dec. 9, 2008 at 4:05 p.m.

He is survived by companion Terra Heitkamp of Culver; a son, Richard J. (Sandra) Hocker of Cincinnati, Ohio; two daughters: Tina L. (Kyle) McClanahan of Versailles, Ohio and Nicole Bravo of Destin, Fla.; a brother, John (Shirley) Huddle of Versailles, Ohio; Terra's five children and eight grandchildren.

There will be no visitation services. Interment will be private.

A time of remembrance will take place Saturday, Dec. 20 from 1 to 4 p.m. at Finney-Shilling VFW Post 6919, Culver.

Letters of condolence for the family may be sent via the Web site at www.boineodom.com.

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

Mary C. (nee Piscione) Krause  Date of Death 12/9/2008

HOBART — Mary C. Krause (nee Piscione), 51, died Tuesday, Dec. 9, 2008. Mary was raised in Hobart and was a Hobart High School Graduate Class of 1975 and was a graduate of Purdue University's RN program.

Mary had worked as a Registered Nurse at Methodist Hospital Gary, Community Hospital in Munster, Elkhart General and Koala in Plymouth and had many years of service. Mary loved animals of any kind and was a loving daughter and sister and will be greatly missed.

She is survived by her parents, Joseph and Carol Piscione; four brothers: Joseph (Nana) Piscione of South Bend, Tom (Mickie) Piscione of Hobart, Edward (Patti) Piscione of Niles, Mich. and Anthony (Lavonne) Piscione of Greenwood, Ind.; aunts: Mary (Bernie) Campbell and Kathy (Milan) Damjanovic; uncles: John (Donna) Fedyna and Jim (Pam) Fedyna; many nieces, nephews and cousins.
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She is preceded in death by her grandparents, Charlotte and Tom Fedyna and Josephine and Anthony Piscione.

Memorials are preferred to VNA Hospice, 501 Marquette St., Valparaiso, IN 46383 or Humane Society of Hobart, 2054 E. Highway 130, Hobart, Ind.

Visitation Friday, Dec. 12, 2008, from 2 to 8 p.m. at Rees Funeral Home, Hobart Chapel, 600 W. Old Ridge Rd. Hobart, Ind.

Funeral Services will be held Saturday, Dec. 13, 2008 at 11 a.m. at Rees Funeral Home with Rev B.J. Bishop officiating. Cremation will follow.

Rees Funeral Home, Hobart Chapel, 219-942-2109 or online at reesfuneralhomes.com is in charge of arrangements.

Peter William, Sr. Terpstra  Date of Death 12/9/2008

ROCHESTER — Peter William Terpstra Sr., 83, of Rochester, died at 6:30 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 9, 2008 at the home of his son.

He is survived by a daughter, Patricia Ann Terpstra of Wright City, Mo.; son, Peter William (Connie) Terpstra II of Athens; four grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and siblings: Dick Terpstra of Columbus, Ohio, Charlotte Terpstra Eakins Fowler of Flagler Beach, Fla., Joy Terpstra (Dean T.) Rizor of El Cajon, Calif., Eunice Terpstra (Marlin L.) Stockwell of Trinity, Fla., and Walter S. Terpstra of Marysville, Ohio.

Visitation is Thursday, Dec. 11 from 4 to 8 p.m and one hour prior to the services Friday at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Funeral services are Friday, Dec. 12 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Military rites will be conducted by the LeRoy Shelton American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars of Rochester.

Memorials may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County.

Rev. James Pippenger  Date of Death 12/10/2008

ARGOS — Reverend James R. Pippenger, Pastor of Bethel Tabernacle United Pentecostal Church of Argos, passed away peacefully in his sleep Wednesday morning at the age of 53.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 26 years, Dorothy A.; daughter, Stefanie Pippenger; stepdaughter, Shanelle Burns; stepson, Ty (Renee) Burns, all of Argos; his mother, Phyllis J. Pippenger; sister, Barbara (Delbert) Wolff; brothers, Michael Pippenger, John D. (Corrine) Pippenger and Joseph Pippenger.

His father, John J. Pippenger, preceded him in death.

Reverend Pippenger was known throughout Marshall County for his jovial personality, devotion to the Lord and dedication to his family, church and community.

Early in his ministry, Reverend Pippenger worked along-side his wife as a Youth Director and Sunday School Superintendent.

Years later as a pastor, Reverend Pippenger again followed his deep desire to help local youth by counseling young people who had fallen victim to drug and alcohol abuse. He volunteered his services as a Reverend whenever he could, housing runaways and working with the local courts to intercede with families and children suffering throughout the county. Second only to his love of the Lord was Reverend Pippenger’s devotion and dedication to his family. He loved children, and he and his wife could often be found riding their young grandson around the town of Argos in a golf-cart, visiting with the local residents and offering a neighboring hand whenever needed.
Reverend Pippenger was especially proud of his daughter, Stefanie, who was reared in the apostolic faith under her father and is now pursuing a ministry of her own.

Reverend Pippenger will be greatly missed by all who were blessed by his generosity, warmth and kindness. While his work will continue, there will forever be a missing piece in the hearts of all who knew him. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever. Psalms 23:6

The family will welcome friends to share memories on Sunday, Dec. 14, from 3 to 7 p.m., and after 7 a.m. on Monday, Dec. 15, at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services, officiated by Reverend Mark G. Cottrill of the United Pentecostal Church of Bourbon, will be held in the funeral home at 11 a.m. on Monday, Dec. 15, 2008.

Burial will be in Maple Grove Cemetery, Argos.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Bethel Tabernacle United Pentecostal Church.

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

**Pamela M. Waugh  Date of Death 12/10/2008**

Pierceton — Pamela M. Waugh, 60, Wednesday, Dec. 10, 2008 at 10:05 a.m. in her home.

She was born Aug. 1, 1948 in Plymouth, the only daughter of Robert and Helen (Newman) Samuelson.

She was married May 26, 1973 in Plymouth to Paul Waugh, who survives.

She was a homemaker and also taught freshman home economics in 1976 at Warsaw Community Schools and substitute taught at College Heights Christian Academy in Gallatin, Tenn.

She graduated in 1966 with the first class from West High School to graduate at Plymouth High School. She then graduated from Ball State University in August of 1973 with a degree in home economics. She was a member of the Marshall County 4-H; North Webster United Methodist Church; Lakeland Kiwanis; and the IFYE (Indiana Farm Youth Exchange)

She has lived in Pierceton since 1996 coming from Bethpage, Tenn.

In addition to her husband, Paul, of Pierceton, she is survived by a son: Andrew Waugh, Pierceton; a daughter, Megan Waugh, Goshen; two grandchildren: Ares and Kali De Metz, Goshen; and her mother, Helen Samuelson, Plymouth. Also surviving are four brothers: Jerry (Arlene) Samuelson, Lebanon; Lyle Samuelson, Plymouth; Allen (Georgette) Samuelson, Culver; Wendell Samuelson, Plymouth.

She was preceded in death by her father, Robert, on Sept. 5, 1991.

Visitation is Saturday, Dec. 13, from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. at the TITUS FUNERAL HOME, Warsaw.

Services are Sunday, Dec. 14, at 2 p.m. at the funeral home. The Rev. David Smitley, North Webster United Methodist Church will officiate.

Burial will take place at Scott Cemetery, Whitley County at a later date
Memorials may be made to the LAM (Lymphangioleiomyomatosis) Foundation, 4015 Executive Park Dr., Suite 320, Cincinnati, Ohio 45241.

**Billy D. West  Date of Death 12/10/2008**

MONTEREY — Billy D. West, 57, of Monterey, died Wednesday, Dec. 10, 2008 at 9:09 a.m. at Pulaski Memorial Hospital in Winamac.

He is survived by three daughters: Tammy Marie West, Elizabeth Lucillen West and Margaret Anne West all of Monterey; three sisters: Lois Jobes of La Porte, Elaine Townsend of Nettleton, Texas and Carol West of South Bend.

Viewing will be held on Monday from 3 to 6 p.m. at the Root Funeral Home.

Services will be held on Monday at 6 p.m. at the Root Funeral Home in Michigan City with the Rev. Michael Erway officiating.

Burial will follow in Greenwood Cemetery.

**James S. Woods  Date of Death 12/11/2008**

KEWANNA — James S. Woods, 63, of Kewanna, died at 9:46 a.m. Dec. 11, 2008 at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

He is survived by sisters: Elizabeth (Mark) Grant of Chesterton, June (James) Dyer of Chesterton and Mary Francis (Captain Mark) Clark of Fulton, Md.; and brothers: David E. Woods Jr. of Rochester, Denton S. (Margaret) Woods of Kewanna and Thomas W. (Sandra) Woods of Cedar Lake.

Funeral services are Monday, Jan. 12 at 10:30 a.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation one hour prior to the service. 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 of Rochester.

**Ashley Ann Derrickson  Date of Death 12/12/2008**

KNOX — Ashley Ann Derrickson, 19, of Knox, died Friday, Dec. 12 at Riley Hospital for Children, Indianapolis.

She is survived by her parents, Michael and Sheri Derrickson, of Knox; grandparents: Gaston and Margaret Combs, of Knox, and Norman and Marilyn Derrickson, of Knox; brothers: Mike Jr. (Ami) Derrickson, of Knox, and Charlie (Lauren) Derrickson, of Knox; a sister, Heather (Jason) Derrickson, of North Judson and nephews Brenden Danford and Christian Hittle, both of North Judson.

Visitation will take place from 4 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 17 at the North Judson High School.

Uneral services will take place at the high school at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 18 with Rev. Wes Radtke officiating.

Burial will follow at Highland Cemetery, North Judson.

Memorials may be made to: the Ashley Ann Derrickson Benefit Fund in care of 1st Source Bank, Knox branch.

**Lloyd D. Minnix  Date of Death 12/12/2008**
WARSAW — Lloyd D. Minnix, 75, of Warsaw died Friday, Dec. 12, 2008 at 12:38 p.m. at Parkview Memorial Hospital of Ft. Wayne.

He is survived by his wife, Pansy Minnix of Warsaw; son, David Minnix of Pierceton; daughters: Barbara Farmer of Pierceton, Joyce (Arlie) Rowe of Silver Lake, Linda (Craig) Slone of Sidney, Aneala Bays of Pierceton, Irma (Paul) Thiry of Denver, Pam (Bruce) Messmore of Pierceton and Jan (Kip) Madsen of Warsaw; 14 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren; brothers: Bo (Portia) Minnix of Van Buren, Lowell (Audrey) Minnix of Pierceton and Ralph (Pam) Minnix of Pierceton; sisters Faye (Ed) Owens of Claypool, Freda (Kenny) Boggs of South Whitley, Brenda Norris of Boswell, Okla. and Carol (Barry) Sapp of Claypool.

Services were held at McHatton-Sadler Funeral Chapel - Warsaw Tuesday, Dec. 16 at 11 am. Burial was at Oakwood Cemetery, Warsaw, with military honors by the Pierceton American Legion Post 258.

McHatton-Sadler Funeral Chapel - Warsaw is in charge of arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to: Kosciusko County Cancer Care Fund, K21 Foundation, P.O. Box 1810 Warsaw, IN 46581-1810 or St Jude Children’s Research Hospital, 501 St Jude Place Memphis, TN 38105.

Kim Earl Cox  Date of Death 12/13/2008

PLYMOUTH — Lifetime Marshall County resident, Kim Earl Cox, 52, of Plymouth, died unexpectedly at 8:38 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 13, 2008, in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

Born in South Bend, Jan. 7, 1956, Kim is the son of Olen Earl and Shirley Mae (Lacher) Cox.

He graduated from LaVille High School with the class of 1974, and from the Indiana Police Academy in 1983.

Kim had attended the Riverside Church in Bremen and First Christian Church of Plymouth.

On February 25, 1995, Kim and Nancy J. Martin were married at home in Plymouth.

He first worked as a LaPaz Community Police Officer prior to joining the Marshall County Sheriff Dept. during Richard Tyson’s tenure as Sheriff.

Kim served in law enforcement for 25 years, retiring in 2007. He currently worked as the crib manager at I.T. Equipment in Plymouth.

Kim enjoyed his family, especially the time spent with his grandchildren and loyal dog, Earl, a Silver Labrador.

Hunting mainly with bow was his number one interest. He enjoyed time spent outdoors in the woods, joined by his wife. He played third baseman on various fast and slow-pitch softball teams in Marshall County for many years. A sport he did not play but followed was hockey.

He was a member of the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, Ducks Unlimited, The Wild Turkey Federation and the Raghorn News was his favorite newsprint. He also assisted Nancy in her career with the Marshall County Humane Society.

Kim is survived by his wife, Nancy, and by their two daughters; a son and step-children. They are Stephanie Michelle Cox and Brandon Earl Cox, both of South Bend and Kelsey Jaye Cox, Argos, a student at Purdue University. His step-son, Abe Hundt, Plymouth, also a Purdue student and step-daughter, Abby Jean Hundt, Plymouth, survive as well.
Grandchildren, Ethan Yoder, Alec Coleman and Rannelle Cox also survive together with his mother, Shirley, of LaPaz and two brothers, Jim (Barb) Cox and Steve (Denise) Cox, both of Plymouth.

Kim’s father-in-law, Lowell K. Martin of Bremen, also survives together with numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, hunting buddies and friends.

Kim was preceded in death by his father Olen, in 1998, and DeMariss Martin also in 1998.

Friends are invited to share memories with Kim’s family Wednesday, Dec. 17, 2008, from 3 to 8 p.m. and after 7 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 18, at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Kim will be held at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 18, in the Plymouth Wesleyan Church, 11203 S. Michigan St., Plymouth. The Rev. Stephen Cox, pastor of the LaPaz Cornerstone Community Fellowship, will officiate.

Burial will be next to his father in Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorial donations in Kim’s memory may be made to the Marshall County Humane Society, 11165 13th Road, Plymouth, IN 46563.

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

Patricia R. Polinski  Date of Death 12/13/2008

PLYMOUTH — Patricia R. Polinski, 85, of Berkley Street, Plymouth, died in the Moore Regional Medical Center, North Carolina, Dec. 13, 2008.

Born May 31, 1923, in Wilkes-Barre, Penn., Patricia was the daughter of Raymond L. and Mary Muldowney Burke.

She graduated from St. Mary’s High School in Wilkes-Barre in 1942, and worked for social services in Washington D.C., from 1944 to 1945.


In 1969, she worked for the St. Joseph County’s Sherriff’s Department for nine years and was a secretary to the Juvenile Probation Department, Patricia was Activities Assistant at Miller’s Merry Manor in Plymouth.

A member of St. Michael’s Roman Catholic Church, Patricia worked with the Altar and Rosary Society and the Harvest House. She also helped to cook for the church’s funeral dinners.

Patricia enjoyed reading, sewing and water coloring along with her cooking and baking skills.

She is survived by a son and a daughter: John A. (Kathy) Polinski, Plymouth, and Patricia (Dave) Kennedy, Cameron, N.C.

Six grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Patricia was preceded in death by five sisters and three brothers.

Friends are invited to share memories and celebrate the life of Patricia with her family on Thursday, Dec. 18, from 4 to 7 p.m., and continue after 7 a.m. of Friday Dec. 19, 2008 at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.
A rosary will be prayed at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 18, 2008

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Friday at 11 am in St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church, 612 N. Walnut St., Plymouth. The Rev. Father William Kummer, pastor of the church, will officiate.

Interment will be in Southlawn Cemetery, South Bend.

Memorial contributions in memory of Patricia may be given to St. Michael's Catholic Church.

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

Lois Thomas  Date of Death 12/14/2008


She is survived by two nieces: Barb Hunt of Fla. And Bev Bixel of South Bend, Ind.

Private services will be held. Burial will take place at New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth.

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

Betty Lou Wagner Turner  Date of Death 12/14/2008

KNOX — Betty Lou Wagner Turner, 80, died Sunday, Dec. 14, 2008 in Starke Memorial Hospital, Knox, Ind.

She is survived by two daughters: Gloria Hansen of LaPorte and Darlene Kirk of Bloomington, Ill.; two sons: Kenny Wagner of Knox and Dennis Wagner of San Pierre; seven grandchildren; five great-grandchildren and one half-sister, Mary Choo of Indianapolis.

There will be no services or visitation. Cremation will take place.

Memorial contributions may be given to Church of the Heartland, 6020 S. 300 East, Knox, IN 46534. Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel is handling arrangements.

KNOX — Betty Lou Wagner Turner, 80, died December 14, 2008 in Knox.

Survivors include: daughters, Gloria Hansen of LaPorte and Darlene Kirk of Bloomington, Ill.; sons, Kenny Wagner of Knox and Dennis Wagner of San Pierre.

A memorial service is Saturday, March 14, 2009 at noon (Central Time) at the Church of the Heartland, Knox, with a gathering of family and friends at 11:30 a.m. CST at the church. Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel is handling the arrangements.

Kenneth Allen Basham  Date of Death 12/15/2008

ROCHESTER — Kenneth Allen Basham, 59, of Rochester, died at 8:40 a.m. Monday, Dec. 15, 2008 at the VA Hospital, Indianapolis.

He is survived by a daughter, Amber Lynn Basham of Rochester; son, Aaron Allen Basham of Hood River, Ore.; brothers: George Basham of Akron, William Basham of Sturgis, Mich., Richard Basham of Indianapolis and Dale Basham of Mariposa, Calif.; and sister, Geri Rosebury of Mariposa, Calif.

Visitation is Monday, Dec. 22 from 10 to 11 a.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.
Funeral services are Monday at 11 a.m. at the funeral home. Military rites will be conducted by the LeRoy Shelton American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

**Walter L. DeMien  Date of Death 12/15/2008**

PLYMOUTH — Walter L. DeMien, 89, of Plymouth, died Monday, Dec. 15, 2008 at Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Lou DeMien of Plymouth; daughter, Shirley (Tim) Pearson of Plymouth; sons: Jim (Virginia) DeMien of Plymouth and Glen (Linda) DeMien of Nappanee; and brothers: Fred (Helen) DeMien of St. Charles, Ill. And Wallace (Marian) DeMien of Peru.

Visitation is Thursday, Dec. 18 from 4 to 8 p.m. and Friday, Dec. 19 after 7 a.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth. Funeral services are Friday at 2 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth. Memorials may be made to North Salem Church of God.

PLYMOUTH – Walter L. DeMien, 89, of 4012 Michigan Rd., Plymouth, died at Miller’s Merry Manor, Plymouth, at 1 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 15, 2008. He had been a Plymouth resident since the 1930s.

Born in LaPorte, Walter was the son of George and Cecel Yocum DeMien. He graduated from Phillips, South Dakota High School and served in the United States Army’s infantry in Germany during WWII. He was discharged as a Staff Sgt. in 1944.

In May of 1946, Walter and Mary Heyde were married in Plymouth.

He worked at Bendix in South Bend for 31 years as a brake packer, retiring in 1979, and was a part-time employee for Price’s Nursery for 47 years.

Walter enjoyed spending time with his family and friends. A dedicated traveler, he enjoyed visiting all of the states with the exception of Alaska and Hawaii.

A member of the LaPaz American Legion, he displayed military medals of all kinds and had a nursery of his own. He also was a long time member of the North Salem Church of God, where he had been a Deacon, Trustee, and did the lawn maintenance and landscaping.

Walter is survived by his wife, Mary and their two sons and a daughter: Glen (Linda) DeMien, Nappanee, Jim (Virginia) DeMien, Plymouth, and Shirley (Tim ) Pearson, Plymouth.

Eight grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren also survive.

Two brothers, Wallace T. and Marian DeMien, Peru, and Fred G. and Helen DeMien, St. Charles, Ill., together with a sister-in-law, Marjorie DeMien, Plymouth and a brother-in-law, Kenneth Alwine, LaPaz, also survive along with several nieces and nephews.

Walter was preceded in death by his parents; two great-grandchildren: Cora and Cole Webb; two brothers: Elsworth DeMien and Gene DeMien Sr.; and three sisters: Henrietta Beghein, Doris Julia Milkey and Carrol E. Alwine.

Friends are invited to celebrate the life of Walter DeMien from 4 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 18, 2008, and Friday Dec. 19 after 7 a.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth.

Funeral services for Walter will be held at 2 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 19, 2008, in the funeral home with the Rev. Darrell Cardwell, pastor of the North Salem Church of God, will officiate.

Military graveside ceremonies in the New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth, will be provided by the Plymouth American Legion and V.F.W. organizations.
Memorial gifts in Walter’s memory may be made to the North Salem Church of God.

Sharing of memories and notes of condolence may be sent to the DeMien family via the funeral home’s Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com

**Marilyn M. Herrmann  Date of Death 12/15/2008**

CULVER — Marilyn M. Herrmann, 84, of Culver died Monday, Dec. 15, 2008 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

She is survived by her husband, William L. Herrmann of Culver; son, William W. (Casey) Herrmann of Ft. Myers, Fla.; daughter, Marilee (Jim) McCormack of Culver; four grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

A funeral mass will be held at St. Mary’s of the Lake Catholic Church, Culver at 11 a.m. Friday, Dec. 18. There will be no visitation.

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

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

**Jon M. Smith  Date of Death 12/15/2008**

PLYMOUTH — Jon M. Smith, 51, passed away, Monday, Dec.15, 2008 in Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth, after a sudden illness. Jon was born Dec. 6, 1957 in Muskegon, Mich. to Charles and Janice (VanRiper) Smith and lived in the area most of his life.

Survivors include: one son, Josh Smith of Walkerton; one grandson, Braylon Smith; his former wife, Jodi Smith of Mishawaka; his father, Charles Smith of Scottsville, Mich.; two brothers: Craig Smith of Virginia and Charles Smith of Michigan; two sisters: Paula Endres of Michigan and Ann Marie Wobig of Minnesota and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his daughter, Jill Smith; his mother, Janice and a brother, Steve Smith.

Jon was an employee of CSX Railroad Transportation and a member of the Tuesday Night Men's Pool League.

Funeral services will be Friday at 1 p.m. Eastern Time at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel. Burial will be at the Woodlawn Cemetery, Walkerton. Friends may call Thursday from 4 to 8 p.m. EST and Friday one hour prior to the service in the funeral home.

**Donald Royce, II Johnson  Date of Death 12/16/2008**

Donald Royce Johnson, II, 48, of Lake of the Woods, died Tuesday, Dec. 16, 2008 at his sister’s home.

He is survived by brothers: Robin (Lori) Johnson of Bremen and Gaylord (Beth) Johnson Jr. of Bremen; and sisters: Jessica (Tracy) Adams of Bremen, Tracy (Terry) Finney of Bremen and Monical (Jay) Studlik of South Bend.

A memorial gathering is planned at the home of Jessica Adams, 3870 Lakeshore Dr., Lake of the Woods, Bremen, where Donald resided, on Sunday, Dec. 20 at 2 p.m. Family and friends are welcome.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.
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The Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen, is in charge of the arrangements.

**Wanita C. Sriver  Date of Death 12/16/2008**

ROCHESTER — Wanita C. Sriver, 61, of Rochester died at 11 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 16, 2008 at the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, Elkhart.

She is survived by her husband, Ed Sriver of Rochester; daughters: Christine Wilhelm of Argos and Caroline Baldwin of Rochester; son, Mikel Sriver of Rochester; step-children: Christopher Smith of Kewanna and Dennis Smith of Rochester; brother, James Clevenger of Rochester; and sister, Janet Graham of Noblesville.

Funeral services will be at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 20 at Faith Outreach Center, Rochester. Visitation is from 1 p.m. to funeral time at the church. Burial in the Citizens Cemetery, Rochester.

Arrangements by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester.

**Richard D. Rohrer  Date of Death 12/17/2008**

NAPPANEE — Richard D. "Dick" Rohrer, 79, of Nappanee, died at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 17, 2008 at Elkhart General Hospital.

He is survived by his wife, Phyllis Rohrer; sons: David (Kathy) Rohrer of Plymouth and Stephen (Patty) Rohrer of Lafayette; two grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; sister, Janet Bute of Elkhart; and brother, Norman J. (Pat) Rohrer of Nappanee.

Visitation is Sunday, Dec. 21 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. at Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee. Funeral services are Monday, Dec. 22 at 10:30 a.m. at Nappanee Missionary Church Chapel. Burial will be at Union Center Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Nappanee Boys & Girls Club.

**Florence May Schrader  Date of Death 12/17/2008**

ROCHESTER — Florence May Schrader, 95, of Rochester, died at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 17, 2008 at the home of her niece.

She is survived by a sister, Margaret Koczan of South Bend; three nieces and one nephew.

Funeral services are Friday, Dec. 19 at 11 a.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with visitation one hour prior to the service. Burial will be at Greenlawn Cemetery, Mexico.

Memorials may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County or the First Presbyterian Church Building Fund.

**Maegen Mariah Noelle Hiatt  Date of Death 12/18/2008**

ROCHESTER — Maegen Mariah Noelle Hiatt, was stillborn Thursday, Dec. 18, 2008 at 5:46 p.m. at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

She is survived by her parents Michael and Julie Hiatt of Rochester; sisters: Maddison, Mikayla and Mallory; brother, Peyton; grandparents: Jim and Cindy Weaver of Grabill and Gene and Ruth Hiatt of Rochester; great-grandmothers: Phyllis Gawthrop of Columbia City and Norma Weaver of Rochester.

Private family services will be held. Burial will be at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

The Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, is in charge of the arrangements.
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Robert R. Wilcox  Date of Death 12/18/2008

MONTEREY — Robert R. Wilcox, 80, of Monterey, died Thursday, Dec. 18, 2008 at Starke Memorial Hospital.

He is survived by his wife, Betty Wilcox of Monterey; daughter, Carol (Roger) Chapman of Monterey; son-in-law, Dan Lykins of Albion, Mich.; four grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; brother, William Wilcox of Knox; and sisters: Ida Budde of Florida, Edna Rance of Logansport, Caroline Blankenship of North Judson and Kathryn Regalado of North Judson.

Visitation is Friday, Dec. 19 from 4 to 8 p.m. at Braman & Son Memorial Chapel, Knox. Funeral services are Saturday, Dec. 20 at 11 a.m. at Calvary Baptist Church. Burial will be at Highland Cemetery.

Francis "Frank" Adams  Date of Death 12/19/2008


He is survived by his wife, Sandy; daughters: Renda Riley and Kerry Buscemin, both of Portage and Heather Novosel of Cedar Lake; son, Kevin Adams of Portage; seven grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and brother, Lonnie Adams of LaCrosse.

Funeral services will be Sunday, Dec. 28 at noon CT at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel. Visitation is Saturday, Dec. 27 from 4 to 8 p.m. CT and Sunday one hour prior to the service.

Memorial contributions may be given to the hospice of choice.

Sherry Ann George  Date of Death 12/19/2008

BREMEN — Sherry Ann George, 56, of Bremen, died at 4:36 a.m. Friday, Dec. 19, 2008 at Hospice House, South Bend.

She is survived by her husband, Dale George; daughter, Brittney Lynn (Adam) Jones of Mishawaka; mother, May Darlene Hawkins of Nappanee; and brother, Danny Ralph Hawkins of Altus, Okla.

Visitation is Sunday, Dec. 21 from 2 to 8 p.m. at the Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee. Funeral services are Monday, Dec. 22 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at Hepton Union Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Hospice House, South Bend.

Robert J. Wikman  Date of Death 12/19/2008

CULVER — Robert J. Wikman, 84, of Culver, died Friday, Dec. 19, 2008 at 7:10 p.m.

He is survived by his wife, Lori of Culver; a son, John (Kelly) Wikman of Greenwood, Ind.; four daughters: Dr. Leona Coffelt of Sacramento, Cali., Diana Wikman of Montrose, Colo., Joan (David) Smith of Rancho Cordova, Calif. and Sonya Conroy of Kankakee, Ill.; a brother, Jack (Rosa) Wikman of Phoenix, Ariz. and a granddaughter.

Visitation will take place Monday, Dec. 22 from 3 to 8 p.m. EDT at Bonine-Odom Funeral Home with a spiritual wake at 7:30.

Funeral services will take place Tuesday, Dec. 23 at St. Mary’s of the Lake Catholic Church, Culver at 10 a.m.
Burial will follow at Zion Cemetery in Culver.

Memorials may be given to Marshall County Center for Hospice and Palliative Care. Letters of condolence for the family may be sent via the funeral home’s Web site obituary page: www.bonineodom.com.

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

**Daisy Christine Jones  Date of Death 12/20/2008**

**FORT WAYNE** — Daisy Christine Jones, 87, of Wabash Avenue, Rochester, died Saturday, Dec. 20, 2008 at 1 a.m. at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

She is survived by three sons: James E. Jones of Sanford, N.C., Donald M. (Geneva) Jones of Jackson, Ky., Jerry L. (Tani) Jones of Riverton, Utah; seven grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; one great-grandchild; a brother, Harry (Joan) Wray of Kokomo; a sister, Onita Brass of Crossville, Tenn. and a special friend, Doug Blackburn of South Bend.

Visitation will take place Monday, Dec. 22, from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester and one hour prior to the funeral services.

Funeral services will take place Tuesday, Dec. 23 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will follow at IOOF Cemetery, Rochester.

Memorials may be made to the Trinity Methodist Church.

Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester is in charge of arrangements.

**Ruth Lillian Kerns  Date of Death 12/20/2008**

**NORTH JUDSON** — Ruth Lillian Kerns, 80, of North Judson, died Saturday, Dec. 20, 2008.

She was born Tuesday, July 31, 1928 in Chicago, Ill. to the late Octave P. Valiquet and the late Mary Lillian Dreyer.


Kerns was a member of the St. Cyril and Methodius Catholic Church and was a housewife.

She was an avid golfer, pinochle player, bowler and gardener.

She is survived by four daughters: Karen (Ray) Bachert of South Bend, Ind., Jo Anne (Frank) Vitallo of San Pierre, Ind., Kristeen (Randy) Kafantaris of Walkerton and Kathleen (Bob) Lynch of Plymouth; two sons: Damon Kerns of North Judson, Anthony E. ("Rusty" Kim) Kerns of North Judson; two sisters: Mary Ellen Nielson of North Judson and Lillian (Kenneth) Cervenka of North Judson; a brother, Edmund (Karen) Valiquet of Culver, Ind.; a grandchild; 16 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Bernice Kasten; brother-in-law, Roland Nielson and a grandson, Thomas F. Potempa Jr.

Visitation will take place Monday, Dec. 22 at Braman and Bailey Funeral Home, 6020 S. Oakwood Ave., North Judson from 5 to 8 p.m. with a rosary service at 8 p.m.
Donald P. Wolferman  Date of Death 12/20/2008

SYRACUSE — Donald P. Wolferman, 78, of Milford, died Saturday, Dec. 20, 2008 at 5:40 a.m. at Miller’s Merry Manor, Syracuse.

He was born Sept. 10, 1930 in Milford to Earl and Mabel (Gunderman) Wolferman.

He married his wife of 58 years, who survives, Sue Wiggs, Aug. 20, 1950. Wolferman was a lifetime Milford resident, a school bus driver and farmed since 1948.

Wolferman attended Wawasee Community Bible Church, was a member of the Milford Lions Club, the Masonic Lodge, the Mizpah Shrine and was a former member of the Milford Town Board and a 1948 graduate of Milford High School where he was known for his athletic ability.

He is survived by his wife Sue of Milford; two daughters: Deb (Walt) Pickerell of Plymouth and Darcy (Dennis) Hively of Syracuse; a son, Doug (Kristy) Wolferman of Syracuse; eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, “Fritz” Wolferman.

Visitation will take place Monday, Dec. 22 from 3 to 8 p.m. at the Mishler-Eastlund Funeral Home, 461 W. 900 N., Milford, Ind.

Funeral services will take place Tuesday, Dec. 23 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home with Pastor Tom Speicher officiating.

Burial will follow at Milford Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Milford Lions Club or the Kosciusko County Cancer Fund.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.mishlerfuneralhomes.com .

Mishler-Eastlund Funeral Home, Milford is in charge of arrangements.

Marie Elizabeth  Thompson  Date of Death 12/21/2008

KOONTZ LAKE — Marie Elizabeth Thompson, 72, of Koontz Lake, died Sunday, Dec. 21, 2008 in Our Lady of Peace Hospital, South Bend.

She is survived by her husband, Raymond Thompson; daughters: Patti (Doyle) Minix of Ft. Wayne, Shari (Dave) Schadek of Plymouth and Kathleen Thompson of Seminole City, Fla.; five grandchildren; six great-grandchildren and sisters: Joan (Leonard) Dupree of Plano, Texas and Marguerite (Richard) Greene of Mishawaka.

A Memorial Mass will be held Saturday, Jan. 10, 2009 at 10 AM EST at St. Michael's Catholic Church of Plymouth. Cremation has taken place.

Memorial contributions may be given to The American Cancer Society.

Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel is handling arrangements.
Alexander J. Arneson  Date of Death 12/21/2008

BREMEN — Alexander J. Arneson, 86, of Bremen, died Sunday, Dec. 21, 2008 at his home.

He is survived by his wife, Ruby; sons: Douglas (Kathy) of Highland, Calif. And Eric of Mishawaka; daughters: Theresa of Joliet, Ill. And Beth (Greg) Balka of Bremen; six grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Memorials may be sent to the St. Dominic’s Catholic Church Food Pantry.

The Mishler Funeral Home in Bremen is in charge of the arrangements.

Robert G., II Brown  Date of Death 12/21/2008

FT. MYERS, Fla. — Robert G. Brown II, 57, formerly of South Bend, died Dec. 21, 2008 at his home in Ft. Myers.

Survivors include three sons, Jeff Brown and Robert Brown, both of Knox and Gary Brown of Culver; his mother, Elsie Joann Brown of Knox; sisters, Laura Brown of Portage and Linda Brown of Plymouth; brothers, David of Pittsboro and John and Aaron of Knox.

Graveside services will be Saturday, April 4, at 1 p.m. (CDT) at the Grovertown Cemetery.

Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel is handling arrangements.

Evelyn E. Kopanski  Date of Death 12/21/2008


She is survived by a daughter, Kristine (Darrin) Tolleson of North Liberty; a grandson; a brother, Eugene Lasocha of Walkerton; a niece; a sister-in-law, Phyllis Wallace; two nephews, all of Chicago.

Visitation will take place Tuesday, Dec. 23 from 3 to 7 p.m. at Nusbaum-Elkin Funeral Home, Walkerton.

Funeral services will take place Wednesday, Dec. 24 at 11 a.m. (EST) at the funeral home.

Burial will follow at Woodlawn Cemetery.

Memorials may be made in her name to Marshall County Hospice.

WALKERTON — Evelyn E. Kopanski, 84, of Walkerton, died Sunday, Dec. 21, 2008. She was born to Leon and Stella Lasocha on Aug. 22, 1924 in Chicago, Ill. She was a lifelong resident of the Walkerton area. On Nov. 19, 1961, she married Vincent Kopanski. He preceded her in death in May of 1969.

Evelyn loved gardening and was a hard worker. She enjoyed traveling and was caring and nurturing to her family and friends. She will be greatly missed. Evelyn was a member of the St. Joseph County Farm Bureau and Riley Road Homemakers Extension Club.

She is survived by her daughter, Kristine (Darrin) Tolleson of North Liberty; a grandson, Vincent; one brother, Eugene Lasocha of Walkerton; a niece, Karen (LeRoy) Lasocha-Norman of Fort Wayne; one sister-in-law, Phyllis Wallis; and two nephews: John and Dennis Wallis, all of Chicago. Lifelong friends include Ruth Rensberger of Plymouth and Berniece Jensen of LaPorte.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, Dec. 24 at 11 a.m. (EST) at the Nusbaum-Elkin
Donations in loving memory of Evelyn may be made to Marshall County Hospice.

Clara May Moneyheffer  Date of Death 12/22/2008

WAKARUSA — Clara May Moneyheffer, 89, of Wakarusa, formerly of Nappanee, died at 5 p.m. Monday, Dec. 22, 2008 at Miller's Merry Manor, Wakarusa.

She is survived by daughters: Mrs. Marvin (Goldie) Weldy of Bremen and Mrs. Ben (Foretta) Liniger of Milford; 22 grandchildren; 55 great-grandchildren; 28 great-great-grandchildren; and sisters: Mrs. Bernice Hollar of Nappanee, Mrs. Alvin (Mildred) Elliott of Goshen and Mrs. Joseph (Lulu Jean) Kirkpatrick of Cannon, Ky.

Visitation is Friday, Dec. 26 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. at the Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder, Nappanee. Funeral services are Saturday, Dec. 27 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at South Union Cemetery, Nappanee.

April VanBlaricom Boyd  Date of Death 12/23/2008

KOONTZ LAKE — April VanBlaricom Boyd, 22, passed away Tuesday, Dec. 23, 2008, after an automobile accident. April was born Aug. 31, 1986 in South Bend to Donald and Lori (Scarberry) VanBlaricom and lived in the area most of her life.

Survivors include: husband, William; mother, Lori (Art) Cook; father, Don (Patty) VanBlaricom Sr.; paternal grandparents, Ray and Dora VanBlaricom Sr.; three sisters: Jennifer, Kassi and Ashley VanBlaricom; one brother, Donald VanBlaricom; four half-sisters: Dawn Folley, Donnell Fusion, Crystal Egge and Elizabeth Jackson; one half-brother, Donald Ziegert; 11 stepbrothers and sisters; and maternal step-grandparents, Ron Sischo and Melitta Scarberry.

She was preceded in death by maternal grandparents, Virginia Sischo and David Scarberry.

Funeral services will be Monday at 11 a.m. CST at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel with Rev. Stephen Patrick officiating. Burial will be in the New Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth. Friends may call Sunday from 4 to 8 p.m. CST and Monday one hour prior to the services at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be given to Rannells Funeral Home, 7984 N. S.R. 23, Walkerton, IN 46574.

Susanna "Sue" Bugni  Date of Death 12/25/2008

KANKAKEE, Ill. — Susanna “Sue” Bugni, 75, of Kankakee, Ill. died Thursday, Dec. 25, 2008 at ManorCare Health Services.

She is survived by sons: Gerald I. (Debbie) Norvell of Rockford, Ill. and Michael (Linda) Minor of Kankakee, Ill.; daughters: Debora K. (Robert) Swartz of Saxon, Wis., April J. (Martin) Max of Hanna and Cathy S. (Bruce) Jensen of Kankakee, Ill.; eight grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and sister, Violamae Troutt of Centralia, Ill.

Visitation was from 4 to 8 p.m. Monday, Dec. 29 at the Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home, Kankakee, Ill. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 30 at St. James the Apostle Catholic Church, Irwin, Ill.

Burial will be in Maple Grove Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Kankakee Valley or to Alzheimer”’s Research. She died
George R. Hoover  Date of Death 12/25/2008

ROCHESTER — George R. Hoover, 71, died at 8:50 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 25, 2008 at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

He is survived by his wife, Patricia Hoover; daughter, Jennie (Charles) Carey of Plymouth; son, Jeffrey (Joy) Hoover of Peoria, Ill.; and three grandchildren.

Visitation is Sunday, Dec. 28 from 1 to 7 p.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, and one hour prior to services Monday at the church. Funeral services are Monday, Dec. 29 at 10 a.m. at Grace United Methodist Church.

Memorials may be made to Grace United Methodist Church.

Betty Lou Murphy  Date of Death 12/25/2008

NAPPANEE — Betty Lou Murphy, 80, of Nappanee, died at 3:27 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 25, 2008 at Elkhart General Hospital.

She is survived by sons: Mike Murphy of Nappanee and Tim Murphy of Atwood; and eight grandchildren.

Visitation is Tuesday, Dec. 30 from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee. Funeral services are Tuesday at 3 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at the Bremen Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Nappanee American Legion.

Edward Michael, Jr. Schaeffer  Date of Death 12/25/2008

BURLINGTON — Edward Michael Schaeffer Jr., 83, of Burlington, died Thursday, Dec. 25, 2008 at 11:10 a.m. at Windsor Estates Health and Rehabilitation Center, Kokomo.

He was born Dec. 28, 1924 in Hoopston, Ill. to Edward Michael and Florence (Fleming) Schaeffer Sr.

Schaeffer was a retired truck driver, auctioneer and farmer and served the United States Army from 1943 to 1946 during World War II. He enjoyed gardening and reading.

He was preceded in death by his wife Melba M. (Carter) Schaeffer, his parents, two brothers and three sisters.

He is survived by his companion of 27 years, Bonnie Short; four sons: Stephen B. (Donna) Schaeffer of Burlington, Byron K. (Anita) Schaeffer of Burlington, Michael Franklin of Longansport and Travis (Becca) Short of Lafayette; three daughters: Beth Ann Schaeffer of Plymouth, Kimberly D. (Aaron) Jackson of Flora and Allison (Wayne) Shirar of Burlington; grandchildren: Trina (Peter) Noakes, Scott Harding, Shane Schaeffer, Andrew Schaeffer, Zackery Franklin, Dillan Franklin, Aidan Jackson, Parker Jackson, Merranda Crawn, Damien Shirar, Merideth Shirar and three sisters: Nancy Bouser, Carol Brown and Sandy Grant, all of Kokomo, Ind.

No public visitation or funeral services are planned and to follow his wishes he will be cremated.

Online condolences may be sent to the family via the funeral home’s Web site at www.stoutandson.com .
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Stout and Son Funeral Home, Neptune Chapel at Burlington is in charge of arrangements.

Patricia Thornton Hostetler  Date of Death 12/26/2008

GAINESVILLE, FLA. — Patricia Thornton Hostetler of Gainesville, Fla. died Friday, Dec. 26, 2008 at the North Florida Regional Medical Center.

Mrs. Hostetler was born in Bremen, April 7, 1942 and moved to Ft. Pierce, Fla. in 1973 and then to Gainesville in 1986. Later that year, she started a home day care for babies to age 4. Ms. Pat, as she was affectionately called, loved kids. She said they kept her young.

By the time she retired in 2007, she had taken care of and loved more than 120 children.

She is survived by her husband of 48 years, Harold (Hoss) Hostetler; two daughters: Tamber (Lewis) Nellinger of Gainesville and Ginny (Eric) Foreman of Jacksonville; four grandchildren: Anna and Emma Nellinger and Matthew and Megan Foreman.

The family will receive friends Tuesday, Dec. 30, from 5 to 7 p.m. at the William-Thomas Funeral Home Downtown, 404 N. Main St., Gainesville.

A graveside burial service will be conducted Wednesday, Dec. 31, at 2 p.m. at the Forest Meadows Memorial Park Central, 4100 NW 39th Ave. Gainesville, with Rev. Henry Rodgers officiating.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Diabetes Association, 8384 Baymeadows Rd. Suite 10, Jacksonville, FlA 32256, or at www.diabetes.org or to the Arthritis Foundation, 3500 SW 19th Ave. Gainesville, Fla., 326070 or at www.arthritis.org .


Donlee Ryan Bellanca  Date of Death 12/27/2008

ROCHESTER — Donlee Ryan Bellanca, 3 months, of Rochester, died at 5:48 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 27, 2008 at Riley Hospital for Children, Indianapolis.

He is survived by his parents, Don and Debbie Bellanca of Rochester; sister, Isabella Nikole Bellanca; and brothers: Tyler Sebastian Coffing and Lane Christian Coffing, all of Rochester.

Visitation is Friday, Jan. 2 from 12 to 2 p.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Funeral services are Friday at 2 p.m. at the funeral home.

Ralph E. Birk  Date of Death 12/27/2008

PERU — Ralph E. Birk, 78, of Peru died at 5:50 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 27, 2008 at Dukes Memorial Hospital after an extended illness. Ralph was born in St. Joseph County, Ind., on Oct. 6, 1930, the son of Ralph Clayton Birk and Helena Mae (Fisher) Birk. Both preceded him in death. On Aug. 1, 1954, he married Susan Schaefer and she survives.

He was a 1948 graduate of LaPaz High School and went on to serve in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict from 1951 to 1953. During the war, the Army was in dire need of men who could type and he had taken typing in high school and so stationed him in Japan.

Ralph also served in the National Guard from 1948-1951.

As a teenager, he helped his dad farm with work horses on the family farm. Only when he went off to service did his dad finally buy a tractor. In high school, he also worked for his uncle who was a general contractor. He built their first home that his new wife and future children grew up
He worked for Associates Investment from right after graduation to 1966 (except for his military service) in the data processing and computer departments. In 1966, he and Susan purchased the One Hour Cleaners in Peru and moved from Plymouth in 1967. He founded Miami Computer Services, Inc. in July 1968, and worked there until his retirement in 2006. Miami Computer provided computer services to companies such as Nixon Newspapers, Heinz Pickle, American Stationery, American Standard (Kokomo), Kingston (Kokomo), The Shirt Shed (Wabash), Cuneo Press (Kokomo) among many others. He worked with computers and their predecessors (punch card equipment) all his adult life.

He owned, bred and raced standardbred horses for over 20 years and was a member of the USTA (United States Trotting Association). He played fast pitch softball many years at South Bend, Walkerton and Peru. He was a pitcher.

Most folks did not like to catch for him because the pitches he threw were fast and hard. At Peru, he played for the Peru Merchants softball team. He retired from pitching due to back problems in the late 1960s.

He is survived by two sons: Christopher Birk of Peru and Alan (June) Birk of Phoenix, Ariz.; one grandson, Regan Birk; a brother, Robert (Jan) Birk of Roann; three sisters: Dorothy Woolley of Plymouth, Esther (Harry) Paege of South Bend and Norma (Devon) Dunnuck of Claypool; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a sister Eleanor Lowman and a brother, Larry Birk.

The family also wants to acknowledge the love and care he received from his dialysis doctor, Dr. Dawn Sabau of Kokomo, Lori Lees, who assisted with his care, Virginia and Alan Blair who transported him to dialysis three times a week and Pastor Evan Strong, who visited him often.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, Dec. 31 at 10:30 a.m. at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru. Pastor Evan Strong will officiate. Burial will follow in Springdale Cemetery in Bunker Hill. Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to either the Bunker Hill United Methodist Church and/or the Grissom Air Museum.

PERU — Ralph E. Birk, 78, died Saturday, Dec. 27, 2008 at Dukes Memorial Hospital at 5:50 a.m.

He is survived by his wife, Susan Schaefer; two sons: Christopher Birk of Peru, and Alan (June) Birk of Phoenix, Ariz.; a grandson; several nieces and nephews; a brother, Robert (Jan) Birk of Roann, and three sisters: Dorothy Woolley of Plymouth, Esther (Harry) Paege of South Bend and Norma (Devon) Dunnuck of Claypool.

Visitation will take place from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 30, at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. 3rd St. Peru.

Funeral services will take place at the funeral home at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 31.

Burial will follow at Springdale Cemetery, Bunker Hill.

Bobby Dean, Sr. Thomas  Date of Death 12/27/2008

ARGOS — Bobby Dean Thomas Sr., 66, of Argos, died Saturday, Dec. 27, 2008 at 7:36 a.m. at his home.

He is survived by his wife Kathy; three sons: Vearl (Debbie) Thomas of Columbus, Ohio, Leonard (Rhonda) Thomas of Deland, Fla. and Bobby Thomas Jr. of Dothan, Ala.; a daughter,
Tracy Thomas of Birmingham, Ala.; 10 grandchildren; four brothers: Billy Thomas of Clearwater, Fla., Lowell (Glenda) Thomas of Palm Bay, Fla., Teddy Thomas of Lexington, Ky. and Freddy Thomas of St. Petersburg, Fla. and two sisters: Sue Tully of New Castle and Libby Newhouse of Rockledge, Fla.

No services are planned at this time.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association, Attn: Barbara Carter 6415 Castletway W. Drive, Suite 114, Indianapolis, IN 46250 or to the American Heart Association, Attn: Danielle Henry, 7272 Greenville Ave., Dallas, TX 75231.

Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St. Argos, is in charge of arrangements.

Carol A. Warner  Date of Death 12/27/2008

PLYMOUTH — Carol A. Warner, 65, died following a lengthy illness, at her residence, 209 W. St., Plymouth, at 10:10 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 27, 2008. She was in the loving care of her family and the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care at the time of her death.

Born in Plymouth, on Jan. 6, 1943, Carol is the daughter of Keith J. and Phyllis M. Xaver Nash. She graduated from Plymouth’s Lincoln High School with the class of 1960, and from the Vogue Beauty College.

She first married Ralph E. Holdeman. Ralph died in June of 1986. Carol and Bruce W. Warner were married on May 2, 1991, in Plymouth.

Carol had a beauty shop in her home for many years and was a popular technician and friend to many people. She was in banking and worked for a time with the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce and City of Plymouth, prior to taking a position as Deputy Clerk of Marshall County for seven years until March of 2006.

She was a devoted wife, mother and grandmother – family meant everything to her. She loved tending to her garden which many times became her sanctuary.

Carol was quite the organizer and never stopped going. She was accomplished at painting, wall papering and enjoyed listening to semi-classical music.

She was a member of Tri Kappa and of St. Thomas Episcopal Church.

Carol is survived by her husband, Bruce, and by two sons, a daughter and their children.

They are: Brian K. Holdeman, and Kay of Naples, Fla., and their children, Adam and Kyle: Mark A. (Linda) Holdeman, also of Naples, and their children, Sean, Danielle and Andy: Merry K. (Gary) Nelson, South Bend, and children, Nicole, Aaron, Jessica and Megan.

Her mother, Phyllis Nash of Plymouth and three sisters survive Carol. All from Plymouth, they are: Jeanne M. (Byron) White, Linda J. (Al) Myers and Sue Ellen Nash.

A brother, Kevin J. Nash, Plymouth, and several nieces and nephews also survive.

She was preceded in death by her father, Keith, in 2003.

Friends are invited to visit with Carol’s family and share memories with them from 10 to 11 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 3, 2009, in St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 400 N. Center St., Plymouth. A luncheon will follow services in the church Sheridan Hall.

A Memorial Mass for Carol will be held at St. Thomas Episcopal Church, on Saturday, Jan. 3, 2009. The Rev. Father John Schramm and Hospice Chaplain Tom Padberg will officiate.
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Interment will follow in the St. Thomas Columbarium.

The Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., has been entrusted with arrangements.

Preferred memorial gifts in Carol’s memory may be made to the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, Inc., 112 S. Center Street, Plymouth, IN 46563 or to the Cancer Fund.

Friends may send notes of condolence and encouragement to Carol’s family via the funeral home’s Web site: www.johnson-danielson.com

Raymond Zeiger  Date of Death 12/27/2008

BREMEN — Raymond Zeiger, 71, of Bremen, died Saturday, Dec. 27, 2008 at his home.

He is survived by three sisters: Mary Zeiger of Bremen, Katherine (Jim) Doyle of Warsaw and Toots (Ed) Parot of Bremen; a brother, John (Pam) Zeiger of Bremen; several nieces and nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

Visitation will take place on hour before services Tuesday, Dec. 30, at 10 a.m. at St. Dominic’s Catholic Church, Bremen.

Funeral services will take place at the church Tuesday at 11 a.m. Burial will follow at Bremen Cemetery.

The Mishler Funeral Home, 2030 St. Rd. 331 Bremen, is in charge of arrangements.

Gary Wayne Barr  Date of Death 12/28/2008

NAPPANEE — Gary Wayne Barr, 62, of Newcomer Street, Nappanee, died Sunday, Dec. 28, 2008 at 1:30 a.m. at Rivercrest Specialty Hospital, Mishawaka after being ill for eight years following a stroke.

He is survived by his wife Judy; two sons: Bryan (Dale) Barr and Doug Barr, both of Nappanee; two granddaughters; a brother, Ken (Loretta) Barr of Plymouth; two sisters: Judy (David) Watts of North Carolina and Anita Condon of Bourbon and mother and father-in-law Harold and Florence Surface of Nappanee.

Visitation will take place Friday, Jan. 2 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. at Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, 950 N. Main St., Nappanee.

Funeral services will take place Saturday, Jan. 3 at the funeral home at 10:30 a.m. Burial will follow at I.O.O.F. Cemetery, Tyner. Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

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Visitation will take place Friday, Jan. 2 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. at Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, 950 N. Main St., Nappanee.

Meet at the funeral home Saturday, Jan. 3 at 10 a.m. to go in procession to the IOOF Cemetery in Tyner for graveside services at 10:30 a.m.
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Memorials may be made to CAPS.

Kathleen E. Bushey  Date of Death 12/28/2008

OAK FOREST, Ill. — Kathleen E. Bushey, 84, died Dec. 22, 2008 in Lemont, Ill.

Survivors include two daughters: Cynthia Turon of Henderson, Ky. And Janet Szczender of Oak Forest, Ill.; one granddaughter; two sisters: Frances Legate of Phoenix and Mildred Lotter of Henderson, Ky.; and one brother, James Zirkle of Redding, Calif.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, May 16 at 12 p.m. (Central Time) at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel. Visitation will be held at the funeral home Saturday from 10 a.m. until the time of services.

Charles Theodore Duff  Date of Death 12/28/2008

CULVER — Charles Theodore Duff of Culver died on Sunday, Dec. 28, of Parkinson’s disease. He was 76.

Mr. Duff was an artist whose work was shown and admired across North America and Europe. He worked in a variety of media, including watercolor, egg tempura, wax encaustic, pastel and printmaking. He was born in Charleston, W. Va., on Oct. 25, 1932. He spent most of his childhood on his grandfather’s farm in West Virginia, where his artistic interest was piqued by the hilly terrain, green grass and rustic charm, and grew as he traveled and lived throughout the United States and abroad. “What I paint is nature. It’s not realism, but what lies behind nature that I am trying to capture the spirit,” he once said. His work has been shown in Indiana, New York, Connecticut, Virginia, Scotland and Italy, and hangs on walls of patrons around the world.

Mr. Duff had an unending curiosity and interest in learning. He was an avid organic gardener. He loved classical music and nature, and he was fascinated with math and languages. Friends and family described him as a walking encyclopedia and knew that if they did not have the answer to something, Charlie would.

After graduating from high school at age 16, Mr. Duff earned a bachelor’s degree in geology and German from the University of Miami, Fla., and a master’s degree in printmaking and painting from Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, N.Y. He also studied at Edinburgh College of Art, Scotland, where he met his wife, Anne.

Mr. Duff taught fine arts as a master instructor at Culver Academies for 20 years and as an adjunct professor at Ancilla College for eight years. His calm, steady and supportive demeanor created an ideal environment for his students to create and learn. He also worked as a cartographer and illustrator at the U.S. Naval and Oceanographic Office in Washington, D.C. He served in the U.S. Air Force as a fighter pilot and was based in England during the Korean War.


A Requiem Mass will be held at St. Thomas Episcopal Church in Plymouth on Friday, Jan. 2, at 11 a.m. A short reception will follow. There will be no visitation.

Memorial contributions may be made in Mr. Duff’s name to the Culver Academies, 1300 Academy Rd., Culver, IN 46511, or to Rush University Medical Center-PD Research, 1725 W. Harrison St., Suite 755, Chicago, IL 60612.

Condolences may be sent to the family via the obituary page at www.bonineodom.com.

The Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, is in charge of arrangements.
Wanda J. Houghton  Date of Death 12/28/2008

SOUTH BEND — Wanda J. Houghton, 82, of 53376 Wallace Lane, South Bend, formerly of Plymouth passed away Sunday, Dec. 28, 2008, at 9:34 a.m. at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center in South Bend.

Wanda was born on March 26, 1926, in Plymouth, to Elnora (Brandt) Ward. She had been married to William Houghton Sr.

Wanda was a caregiver for Pathfinders, in Plymouth, and had been an active member of the Ladies Auxiliary at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, in Plymouth.

Wanda is survived by her daughters: Catherine and Michael Osowski of South Bend, Patricia and Gary Crum of Plymouth, and Marsha Martin of Plymouth; her son, Richard and Caryl Houghton of Indianapolis; her grandchildren: Jonathan Houghton, Ted Houghton, Alex Houghton, Chris Houghton, Jeff Houghton, Mathew Houghton, Nicholas Crum, Lauren Crum, Nicole Osowski, David Osowski, Alexandra Osowski, Mary Osowski, and David Milner; four great-grandchildren; her sisters: Florence Erickson of Plymouth, Phyllis Jernstrom of Plymouth, Donna Bennett of Arkansas, and Norma Beatty of Texas.

Wanda was preceded in death by her son, William Houghton Jr.; her mother, Elnora Ward; her sisters: Lillian Avon Ward and Thelma Scheetz; and her brother, Thurman Ward.

Funeral services for Wanda will be held Friday, Jan. 2, 2009, at 10:30 a.m., at the Van Gilder Funeral Home with the Rev. Steven Resner with officiating.

A time of visiting with the Houghton family will be on Thursday, Jan. 1, 2009, from 2 to 6 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

The family requests that memorial contributions be given to the Heart Association or to the Ladies Auxiliary of Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, in Plymouth.

Family and friends are invited to sign the guest book and share memories of Wanda with her family at  www.vangilderfuneralhome.com

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Clyde W., Jr. Smith  Date of Death 12/28/2008

BOURBON — Clyde W. Smith Jr., 72, of Bourbon, died Sunday, Dec. 28, 2008 at 10:41 a.m. in his home.

He is survived by his wife, Suzanne; children: Angie (Tim) Lovegrove, Dorothy Smith, Tammy (Mike) Cook, Butch (Pam) Smith, all of Kokomo, Linda Anger of Michigan, William Smith and Jessica (Justin) Stoddar, all of Bourbon, J.D. Doty of Mentone, Jeananne Doty and Jacob Doty, all of Bourbon; 28 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren; sister, Mary Linda (Tom) Haley of Georgia; and brothers: Ralph (Pam) Smith of Washington, D.C. and Tom (Mary) Smith of Michigan.

Visitation is Wednesday, Dec. 31 from 1 to 3 p.m. in the Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, Bourbon. Graveside services will follow at 3:15 p.m. in the Pleasant Hill Cemetery at Bourbon with military services by the Bourbon American Legion.

Wilma Jean (Frey) Buck  Date of Death 12/29/2008

BREMEN — Wilma Jean (Frey) Buck, 83, of Bremen, formerly of Bremen, died Monday, Dec. 29, 2008 at Community Hospital of Bremen.

She is survived by her husband, Donald Buck of Bremen; children: David (Jan) Buck of Nappanee, Dennis (Jane) Buck of Bremen, Debi (Richard) Matteson of Rockwall, Texas, Diane (Michael) Mann of Sharpsburg, Ga. and Dawn (Curt) Carius of Morton, Ill.; 18 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and sisters: Letty (Robert) Hueni of Bremen and Betty (Lloyd) Schumacher of Washington, Ill.

Visitation is Thursday, Jan. 1 from 2 to 6 p.m. at Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen. A graveside service will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, Jan. 2 at Bremen Cemetery. A memorial service will be held following burial at Community Gospel Church in Bremen.

Memorials may be made to Community Gospel Church in Bremen or Gideons International.

Donnie "Don" L. Haas  Date of Death 12/29/2008


He is survived by his wife, Carol (Grass) Haas of Plymouth; two daughters: Carrie (Paul) Harrell and Kelli (Keith) Snyder; son, Gregory (Sheila) Haas; six grandchildren; four sisters: Midge Bradford, Rowena Beery, Eunice Beery and Gertrude Shinneman; four brothers: Herbert, Lyle, Ervin and Ron Haas.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 3, 2009 in the County Line Brethren Church, 69988 U.S. 31 S., Lakeville. Visitation is from 3 to 8 p.m. Friday in the Palmer Funeral Home, 314 S. Michigan St. Lakeville and one hour prior to the services in the church on Saturday.
Thomas A. Huggins  Date of Death 12/29/2008

WINONA LAKE — Thomas A. Huggins, 75, of The Pass of Winona Lake, died Monday, Dec. 29, 2008 at 5:20 a.m. at Parkview Hospital of Fort Wayne.

He is survived by daughters: Donna (Rick) Hackworth of Warsaw and Deb Cosgrove of Winona Lake; four grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and sisters: Beverly (Bill) Long of Hoffman Lake and Peg (Bill) Baumgartner of Lake Placid, Fla.

Visitation is Thursday, Jan. 1 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. in the Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, Bourbon. Funeral services are Friday, Jan. 2 at 10 a.m. in the funeral home. Burial will be at Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Bourbon.

Memorials may be made to the American Diabetes Association.

Larry A. Paxton  Date of Death 12/29/2008

OKEECHOBEE, Fla. — Larry A. Paxton, 71, of 1 Lemon St. B.H.R., Okeechobee, Fla., formerly of Bourbon, died at 3:05 a.m. Monday, Dec. 29, 2008 at Hendry Regional Medical Center, Clewiston, Fla. He was born Jan. 11, 1937 in Warsaw to Donald and Alta (Hemminger) Paxton.

Larry was a graduate of Etna Green High School. He was a veteran serving in the U.S. Navy. He retired from Biomet in Warsaw where he was a polisher. He moved to Okeechobee, Fla., where he was an avid fisherman. He was a member of the Bourbon American Legion Post #424, VFW of Rochester, The Eagles Lodge #852 of Rochester and the Moose of Warsaw. He also attended the First Methodist Church, Okeechobee, Fla.

He is survived by two daughters: Lori (Chalmer) Campbell of Akron and Lisa (Mark) Nifong of Plymouth; one son, Dayton A. Paxton of Claypool; and three grandchildren: Travis (Sally) Campbell, Corey Campbell and Morgan Nifong.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Donna Groshuns.

Visitation is Friday, Jan. 2 from 12 to 2 p.m. at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone. Funeral services are Friday at 2 p.m. at the funeral home with Pastor Terry Canfield officiating.

Burial will be at Etna Green Cemetery, where graveside military rites will be performed by the Bourbon American Legion Post #424.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Online condolences may be sent to: www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com

Juanita P. Teghtmeyer  Date of Death 12/29/2008

AKRON — Juanita P. Teghtmeyer, 86, of Akron, died at 6:22 p.m. Monday, Dec. 29, 2008 at Memorial Hospital, South Bend. She is survived by a son, Allen Teghtmeyer of Florence, Ariz.; five grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; sister, Lovie Mathias of Akron; and half brother, Nelson Bowen of Cleveland, Ohio.

Visitation is Thursday, Jan. 1 from 4 to 7 p.m. and one hour prior to services Friday at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Funeral services are Friday, Jan. 2 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at Omega Cemetery.

Diane Christine Bauer  Date of Death 12/30/2008
MONTEREY — Diane Christine Bauer, 40, of N. Maple St., Monterey, died Tuesday, Dec. 30, 2008 at 6:15 a.m. at St. Vincent Medical Center, Indianapolis.

She is survived by a son, Kaleb P. Bauer of Monterey; three sisters: Janice Stotler of Monterey, Francine (Thomas) Turflinger of Bloomington and Carolyn (Anthony) Vantwoud of Monticello; three brothers: John Bauer of Yorktown, Ind., James Bauer of Monterey and Tedmund (Amy) Bauer of Monterey; two nephews and 10 nieces.

Visitation will take place from 2 to 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 2, 2009 at Frain Mortuary, 305 E. Main St., Winamac. A rosary will be recited at 7:15 p.m. Friday, followed by a Scriptural Wake Service at 7:30 p.m. at the funeral home.

Funeral services will take place at St. Anne's Catholic Church, Monterey, Saturday, Jan. 3, 2009 at 11 a.m. (EST) with Rev. Bert Woolson officiating.

Burial will follow at St. Anne’s Cemetery, Monterey.

Memorial contributions may be made to Pulaski Memorial Hospital Hospice or St. Anne’s Catholic Church.

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

Frain Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

J. Willard Burkholder  Date of Death 12/30/2008

TYNER — J. Willard Burkholder, 90, of Tyner, died at 9:38 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 30, 2008 at Miller's Merry Manor, Walkerton.

He is survived by sons: Ronald Burkholder of Argos, Alan Burkholder of Walkerton, Randy Burkholder of Plymouth and Arden Burkholder of Dallas, Texas; daughter, Laverne Replogle of Plymouth; 10 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; and nine great-great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Friday, Jan. 2 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth. Funeral services will follow at noon in the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the Blissville Church of the Brethren.

Richard Lee Griswold  Date of Death 12/30/2008

PLYMOUTH — Richard Lee Griswold, 61, of Plymouth, died Tuesday, Dec. 30, at his home.

He is survived by his wife, Judy, son Christopher (Robin) Griswold of Bremen, daughter Angela Sue (Jeff) DeVault of Plymouth, six grandchildren, his father Kenneth Griswold of Bremen, brother Kenneth Griswold of Bremen and sister Carol Houshour of Rochester.

Visitation is from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Friday and one hour prior to services, at Mishler Funeral Home, Bremen.

Services are at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 3 at the funeral home, officiated by Mike Martin.

Burial will be at Bremen Cemetery. A graveside military service will be held.

Memorials may be made to the Bremen VFW Post 8972.

Kenneth L. Mitschelen  Date of Death 12/30/2008
MILFORD — Kenneth L. Mitschelen, 82, of Woodview Dr. Nappanee, died Tuesday, Dec. 30, 2008 at 11:20 a.m. at Lakeland Rehabilitation & Healthcare Center, Milford.

He is survived by his wife Norma; daughter, Dixie (Max) Shrock of Goshen; a son, Chuck (Darcey) Mitschelen of Nappanee; five grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; a brother, Edwin (Arlene) Mitschelen of Edinburg, Texas; a sister, Doris (James) Yoder of Newton, Kan. and an aunt, Ruth Mellinger of Elkhart.

Visitation is from 2 to 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 2, 2009 at Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, 950 N. Main St., Nappanee.

Funeral services will take place Saturday, Jan. 3, 2009 at 2 p.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will follow at Union Center Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Nappanee Fire Department.

Helen M. Schrader  Date of Death 12/30/2008

PLYMOUTH — Helen M. Schrader, 88, died Tuesday, Dec. 30, 2008 in Miller’s Merry Manor.

She is survived by two sons: Raymond (Sue) Schrader of Mishawaka, and Ronnie Schrader of Oregon. No services are being held at this time. McGann Hay Funeral Home, South Bend, is in charge of the arrangements.

Michael D. Trott  Date of Death 12/30/2008

KOONTZ LAKE — Michael D. Trott, 40, of Koontz Lake, Idied Tuesday, Dec. 30, in Starke Memorial Hospital, Knox.

He is survived by his wife, Kelly Shock, and three daughters: Abigail, Riley and Logan Trott; his mother, Mary Ellen Trott of South Bend and one sister, Kathleen Trott of South Bend.

Friends may call Friday from 4 to 9 p.m. EST and Saturday one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

Funeral services are Saturday at 11 a.m. Eastern at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel.

Burial will be at the Grovertown Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Michael Trott Memorial Fund at any Teacher’s Credit Union.

Dwight Allen Thomas  Date of Death 12/31/2008

ARGOS — Dwight Allen Thomas, 56, of Argos, died Wednesday, Dec. 31, 2008 at 5:20 p.m. at his residence, following a short illness.

He was born December 11, 1952 in South Bend to Kenneth Earl and Ruth Mildred (Ditmire) Thomas. He had lived in the Argos community for the last 21 years, coming from South Bend.

He married Thresa “Terri” Baker on August 7, 1982 in Niles, Mich. He was a Plant Supervisor at Standard Motor in Mishawaka, since 2004 and he also worked at Ziebart. Before this he worked in Argos at Ristance/Dana Corp.

He graduated from Jackson High School in South Bend with the class of 1971. He served his country in the United States Army as a Military Policeman from August 29, 1972 to March 1,
He continued to serve in the United States Army Reserves being Honorably Discharged on August 28, 1978.

He earned a Bachelors of Business Management from IUSB. He was a faithful supporter of D.A.V. and V.F.W. and a member of the Lakeville United Methodist Church, Lakeville, Indiana.

Dwight was a huge Indiana University basketball and Notre Dame football fan. He loved Argos basketball and taking his grandchildren with him, working in his garden, and mowing his lawn.

Survivors includ his wife; Terri Thomas of Argos; son Bryan Thomas and wife Cynthia of Rochester; daughter Laura M. Thomas and fiance Max Colon of Mishawaka; two grandchildren; Taylor L. and Alexus L. of Rochester; his mother, Ruth Thomas of South Bend and brother, Mark R. Thomas and wife Deborah of Osceola.

He was preceded in feath by his father, Kenneth Earl Thomas.

Friends may visit with the family Tuesday, January 6, 2009 from 4-8 pm at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 208 N. Michigan St., Argos.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, January 7, 2009 at the funeral home with Barry R. Borst officiating.

Burial will take place at a later date

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association, 3816 Paysphere Circle, Chicago, IL 60674 or Lakeville United Methodist Church, 610 N. Michigan St., Lakeville, IN 46536.

Electronic condolences my be sent to the family at: memorials@earl-grossmanfuneral.com

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