

**Courier, The (Lincoln, IL )** - January 3, 2011

Deceased Name: Harold Leroy Radcliffe

Harold Leroy Radcliffe, 76, of Lincoln, IL passed away at 4:13 p.m. December 31, 2010 at Memorial Medical Center in Springfield, IL.

He had retired from St. Gobain Bottle Factory in Lincoln after 43 years of service.

He graduated from Lincoln Community High School in 1954. He played football and track at LCHS. He was called Crazy Legs Radcliffe in football and went to State in track. Leroy was one of the first coaches for Lincoln Youth Football and helped get it started.

Woodworking was Leroy's favorite pastime. He loved photography and to travel. He enjoyed playing golf and telling a joke whether it was at the Lincoln Elks or in Florida. He was on the Firing Squad for the American Legion Post #263 and was an active member. He loved all sports and was always watching a game, especially the St. Louis Cardinals. He was a dedicated Cardinal fan, but said he wanted to see the Chicago Cubs win the World Series just once to see how crazy the Cub fans got. We will miss him terribly, but we know he is in heaven enjoying the New Year with family and friends.

He was a member of Lincoln Christian Church and served in the U.S. Army from 1954 until 1956.

He was **born** June 5, 1934 in Vandalia, IL, the son of Clyde and Anice Manion Radcliffe. He married Barbara Jean Wilham October 14, 1955 in Lincoln, IL.

Survivors include: his wife, Barbara Radcliffe of Lincoln, IL; three daughters: Denise Radcliffe of Lincoln, IL; Janice (Jim) Greer of Lincoln; Cindy (Jerry Miller) Morrow of Lincoln; two granddaughters: Meghan and Marissa Greer.

He was preceded in death by his parents, brothers: Virgil and Paul Radcliffe; sisters: Arvetta Taylor and Frances Metz and an infant son: Curt Leroy.

Services will be at 10:30 Wednesday, January 5, 2011 at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln, IL with Ron Otto officiating. Interment will be at Steenbergen Cemetery in Mt. Pulaski, IL where full military rites will be accorded by American Legion Post #263.

Visitation will be from 4 until 7 p.m. Tuesday, January 4, 2011 at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Homes in Lincoln, IL.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Lincoln Christian Church, American Legion Post #263 or LCHS Lady Railer Softball.

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Deceased Name: Eric L. Applegate

Eric L. Applegate, 52, of Atlanta passed away at 10:30 p.m. on Friday, December 31, 2010 at Maple Ridge in Lincoln.

Eric L. Applegate was **born** in Lincoln the son of John and Marian Westerinen Applegate on October 18, 1958.

Survivors include his parents of Atlanta, one brother: David Applegate of Mclean, one sister: Linda Applegate of Bruce Crossing, MI., three sons: LCpl. Aron Applegate serving with the United States Marine Corps., Nathan Applegate, Evan Applegate both of Lincoln, also surviving are several Aunts, Uncles and cousins.

Eric graduated from Olympia High School in 1976. He farmed in the Atlanta area his entire life. Eric was also an avid gardener and chef. He enjoyed sharing his vegetables and cooking for his family and friends. He was also an accomplished landscaper.

Cremation rites have been accorded. A Memorial gathering will be held at a later date.

Quiram Peasley Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Memorials may be made to the Atlanta Rescue Squad or the Hopedale Medical Complex Building Fund.

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Deceased Name: Eugene H. Mears

Eugene H. Mears, 79 of Decatur died Saturday Jan. 1, 2011 in his residence.

Private family services will be held at a later date. Per his request his body will be cremated with no public services. Tanzyus-Logan Funeral Service and Care is in charge of arrangements.

Eugene was **born** July 4, 1931 in Kenney, IL., son of Homer E. and Gladys O. Mears. He was a retired farmer, and truck driver for General Transfer and Purity Baking Co. He was Korean War veteran. He married H. Jeanne Foreaker July 1, 1956.

Surviving is his wife of 54 years, children, Lynda (Mark) Keever, Michael (Melissa)Mears, grandchildren, Heather (Brandon) Brooks, Joshua (Bridget) Mears, Amanda Mears, Morgan Brown, and Erin Keever, great grandchildren, Mason, Little Josh and Jayden.

Eugene was a private, quiet good man and will be deeply missed.

Memorials may be made to his family.

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Deceased Name: William M. Altman

William M. Altman of Lincoln, IL, formerly of Lawndale, IL, passed away January 3, 2011 at Maple Ridge Nursing Home.

Bill was **born** April 7, 1925, the son of Frank L. and Aseneath Morse Altman.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Janice Kendrick Altman, daughter Terry "TD" Altman, his parents, brothers Fred E.; Floyd, Jack and sister Martha Dusenberry. Surviving are brothers Edward Darnell (wife Eileen), of Manteno, IL; Archie, Slatington, PA; Frank, Fort Walton Beach, FL and sister Eileen Simmons, Flippin, AR and many nieces and nephews.

During World War II, Bill served his country as an U.S. Marine, 2nd Marine Division receiving many honors, including a Silver Star. Bill was a retired member of Operating Engineers Local #649.

Following Uncle Bill's direction, there will be no services held.

Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln is in charge of cremation arrangements. Burial will be in Lawndale Cemetery.

**Courier, The (Lincoln, IL )** - January 4, 2011

Deceased Name: Nelson "Gene" Johnson

LINCOLN - Nelson "Gene" Johnson, 86, of Lincoln, IL, passed away December 31, 2010 at Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital in Lincoln, IL.

He was self employed for 30 years with Johnson Tractor Sales and was a Department of Transportation Crew Leader for 15 years. He was a member of St. John's United Church of Christ and served in the U.S. Army Air Corps from 1943 to 1946.

He participated with the American Legion Post #263 Honor Guard for 20 years, he was a Lincoln alderman for 16 years, was with Meals on Wheels for 20 years and the AMVETS Post #71.

He was an active member of many church organizations and was very proud of his Swedish ancestry.

He was **born** December 14, 1924 in Lincoln, IL, the son of Nelson O. and Esther Melin Johnson. He married Anita Lenardt January 23, 1948 in Lincoln, IL.

Survivors include: his wife, Anita Johnson of Lincoln, IL; two daughters: Cynthia Melin (Tim Humes) Johnson of Seattle, WA; Beth (Ken) Stewart of Elmwood, IL; one brother: David (Janet) Johnson of Pekin, IL; three grandchildren: Daniel Humes, Britta Humes and Anna Stewart.

He was preceded in death by one sister: Joyce Cole.

Services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, January 5, 2011 at St. John's United Church of Christ with Rev. Rich Reinwald officiating. Interment will be held at a later date.

Visitation will be from 4 until 6 p.m. Tuesday, January 4, 2011 at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln, IL.

Memorials may be made to St.

John's United Church of Christ or the donor's choice

**Courier, The (Lincoln, IL )** - January 5, 2011

Deceased Name: Mary Jane Shew-Stone

Mary Jane Shew-Stone of Lincoln(formerly Mary Jane Wall of Windsor, Il.) passed away December 29, 2010 at The Christian Village in Lincoln.

Visitation will be 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Saturday, January 8, 2011 at Holland Barry & Bennett Funeral Home in Lincoln. Services will follow visitation at the funeral home. Burial will be at Mt. Pulaski Cemetery.

Mary Jane was **born** June 4, 1923 in Windsor, Illinois, the daughter of Everett and Pearl (Davis) Wall. She married Cloyce M. Shew in 1944. They shared 26 years of marriage until his passing in 1970. She later married R. Eugene Stone. He preceded her in death in 1975.

Mrs. Shew moved to Lincoln from Windsor in December of 1953. She was a member of the Mt. Pulaski Christian Church and then a long time active member of the Lincoln Christian Church where she taught Sunday School for many years. Eventually she became a member of Jefferson Street Christian Church where she actively worshipped and participated in various activities for 20 years. She was an active member of Zonta International and the Eagle's Auxiliary where she served as President on several occasions. She retired from Chestervale Elevator after many years of service.

Survived by daughter Joyce Hein and her husband, Jeff, of Burnsville, MN; son Ralph Shew and his wife, Michelle, son Allen Shew and wife Melody of Lincoln; 7 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents Everett and Pearl Wall, her husband Cloyce M. Shew, her husband R. Eugene Stone, and 3 brothers Bruce Wall, Clinton Wall and Edwin Wall.

Memorial donations may be made to Jefferson Street Christian Church or to Mioche Roch (Haitian Missionary) and will be accepted at the funeral home.

**Courier, The (Lincoln, IL )** - January 6, 2011

Deceased Name: Stephan R. Nedelcu

Stephan R. Nedelcu, M.D., age 69, died suddenly on Jan. 3, 2011 at Forest Hill Hospital in Queens, New York. He was **born** in Oradea, Rumania, the son of Alexander and Dorothy Rodin Nedelcu. He received a medical degree from the University of Cluj Medical School and Southern California University.

He was retired from Forest Hills Hospital.

Dr. Nedelcu was formerly in practice with Arthur Williamsson, M.D., in Lincoln.

He is survived by his wife: Anna Marie; and one stepchild.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, Jan. 8, 2011 in New York.

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Deceased Name: Verna Josephine Atteberry

Verna Josephine Atteberry, 79, of Beason, IL, passed away at 3:20 a.m. January 5, 2011 at Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital in Lincoln.

She was a homemaker and a member of the Beason United Methodist Church. She was a member of the Beason Card Club and the United Methodist Women.

She was **born** September 9, 1931 in Beason, IL, the daughter of Linus Everett and Lena Josephine Griffin Voyles. She married Harlan "Ike" Atteberry on September 10, 1950 at the Beason United Methodist Church in Beason, IL.

Survivors include: her husband of Beason, IL; three sons: James Atteberry of Tucson, Arizona, Gary (Judy) Atteberry of Lincoln and Darren Atteberry of Lincoln; one daughter: Dena (Daniel) Sale of Chatham, IL; four grandchildren: Kyle and Katelyn Atteberry and Evan and Madeline Sale. She is the last of her immediate family.

She was preceded in death by her parents, four sisters: Bernadine Montgomery; Irma McAdams; Ilene Southern; Mildred Donnan and one brother: Wayne Voyles.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 8 at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln, IL with Rev. Darrell Howard officiating. Interment will be at Keys Cemetery in rural Beason, IL. Visitation will be Friday from 4 until 7 p.m. at the funeral home in Lincoln.

Memorials may be made to the Beason United Methodist Church or ALS (Lou Gehrig's Disease) or the donor's choice.



**Courier, The (Lincoln, IL )** - January 7, 2011

Deceased Name: Wesley William Zimmer

On Sunday, December 26, 2010, the family of Wes Zimmer gathered to celebrate his 95th birthday. At 12:55 AM on Thursday, January 6, 2011, he went home to the Lord.

Wesley William Zimmer was **born** in rural Emden, IL, on December 30, 1915 to William James and Tina West Zimmer. He married Agnes Lydia Miller on June 15, 1935 at Pekin, IL.

He worked on the family farm his whole life: first with his father, then later with his two sons. He also bred, milked, and showed Guernsey cattle. He was a DeKalb seed corn dealer. He served as 4 H Club dairy superintendent at the Logan County Fair. He served as a member of the Logan County Extension Council, the Emden Farmers Grain Company board, Hartsburg Emden unit school board, the Guernsey Breeders Association, and the Emden Kiwanis.

He was a former member of the Zion Methodist Church in Emden where he served as a member and president of the church board, as a member and president of the Methodist Men, and as a teacher and superintendent of the Sunday School. He was presently a member of Delavan United Methodist Church. Wes and his family were named the Peoria District Methodist family of the year in 1962.

He was a member of Logan County Farm Bureau and served as president of that organization for eight years. He was a member of Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital board of trustees and served as treasurer of that organization. He was a member of Logan County Sheriff's Merit Board.

Wes and Agnes traveled extensively for conferences and conventions concerning the church, the Farm Bureau, and DeKalb Seed Corn.

Surviving are his children, Maxine (Richard) Lolling of Lincoln, Bill (Janet) Zimmer of San Jose, David (Jayne) Zimmer of Lincoln, Judy (Bob) Taylor of Delavan, and Carol (Joe) Egli of South Pekin. He is also survived by 12 grand children and 25 great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a brother, Gerald and his wife Agnes.

His priorities, in his own words: "his home and family, his church, and his community."

His funeral will be at 10:00 AM Monday, January 10, 2011 at Delavan United Methodist Church. Revs. Larry Moreau and Kent Lolling will officiate. Visitation will be from 2 to 5 PM Sunday, also at the church. Burial will be in Green Hill Cemetery in rural San Jose. Davis Mortuary in Delavan is handling the arrangements.

Memorials may be made to Delavan United Methodist Church or Emden Rescue Squad.

**Courier, The (Lincoln, IL )** - January 8, 2011

Deceased Name: Lucas Andrew Zeitler

Lucas Andrew Zeitler 34 of Stewardson, IL passed away at 10:45 AM Thursday Jan. 6, 2011 at his home.

Lucas was **born** Mar. 2, 1976 in Shelbyville, IL, the son of Peter H. and Pauline Schwenker Zeitler.

Lucas was the healthcare provider for his uncle, Doug Schwenker, and his step-father, Don Nolen. He was a free spirit and enjoyed fishing, camping, hunting, playing pool and collecting baseball cards. He attended Shelbyville High School and Heartland Community College in Springfield, IL. He loved children and always wanted to be a lawyer.

He is survived by his mother and step-father, Pauline Nolen and husband Don of Stewardson; father and step-mother Peter Zeitler and wife Donna of Beason IL; fiancée Erika Grooms and son Skyler of Virden, IL; daughter Stevie Zeitler Calhoun of Charleston, IL; sisters:

Christine Snow of Excelsior Springs, MO; Laura Zeitler of Herrick, IL; and Sonya Zeitler of Lincoln, IL; brother Peter Zeitler II of Moweaqua, IL; nieces and nephews: Alycia Snow, Nicole Allen, Zachary Zeitler, Joshua Snow, Peter Zeitler III, Caleb Snow, Jonothan Galvin, Nikolas Galvin and Wade Allen; aunt Karen Rider of Kewanee, IL; and uncle Doug Schwenker of Stewardson, IL; and 14 other aunts and uncles, most of whom live in Germany; and many cousins.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents Everette and June Schwenker and Erna Gartner.

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Monday, Jan. 10, 2011 in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Effingham, IL.

Visitation will be from noon Monday until time of the service at the church. Arrangements are entrusted to Brummerstedt Funeral Home in Stewardson

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Deceased Name: Helen Arlene Bullerman Hoblit Engelsman

Helen Arlene Bullerman Hoblit Engelsman, 80, passed away Wednesday, January 5, 2011 early in the morning in her apartment at the Park Regency retirement complex in Chandler, AZ.

Ms. Engelsman, **born** in Strasburg, Illinois, was a musician and music teacher. She grew up in Lincoln, IL, later living in Atlanta where she was married to Joseph Hoblit and taught choir at Atlanta High School and private piano lessons.

In 1965, she married William Engelsman, they moved to Artesia, New Mexico and then lived in Mesa, AZ, where she continued to teach music and later was a real estate agent and broker for 17 years.

She wrote a book of poetry, "Almost, But Not Quite," published in 1995.

Surviving are her sister: Ardeth Jean Keck (Jerry) of Flanagan, IL; brother Donald Bullerman (Cheryl) of Springfield, IL; daughter Jan Hoblit, of Chandler, AZ; son John Hoblit of Mt. Vernon Washington; step sons Mark Engelsman (Debbie) of Tempe, AZ; and Mike Engelsman; grandchildren Candace Hoblit (Jason), James Hoblit, Brian Hoblit, Jasmine Hoblit, Cindy and Chris Engelsman, Lisa and Steve Engelsman; great-grandchildren William and Danica Garner; nieces and nephews Jen and Jeff Bullerman and Ron Keck and Krista Keck Chmiel.

Ms. Engelsman will most be remembered for her sense of humor, inspired teaching, her beautiful voice, amazing piano talent, her passion for music, life, and her love of animals. Visitation will be held Thursday, January 13 from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Mt. View Funeral Home Chapel located at 7900 East Main Street in Mesa, AZ. The funeral will be at the same location on Friday, January 14 at 10 a.m. Memorials may be given to the Humane society (or any pet rescue organization). Arrangements by Mountain View Funeral Home (480-832-2850).

**Courier, The (Lincoln, IL )** - January 10, 2011

Deceased Name: Jack W. Anderson

Jack W. Anderson, 73, of Mt. Vernon passed away on Friday, January 7, 2011 at Memorial Medical Center in Springfield.

A Memorial Service for Mr. Anderson will be held on Wednesday, January 12, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. at the Peasley Funeral Home in Lincoln with Mr. Kurt A. Flora officiating.

No Visitation is scheduled. Cremation Rites have been accorded.

Jack W. Anderson was **born** on October 3, 1937 in DeKalb, Illinois the son of Samuel and Rena Haynes Anderson. He married Norma McCray on March 16, 1957.

Surviving are his children: Debbie (Larry) Dunham, Pam (Rob) Mattson all of Lincoln, Brenda McCallister of McLean. His former wife: Norma Anderson of Lincoln, Eight grandchildren: Jennifer Meagher, Joshua Dunham, Julie (Rob) Shoraga, Justin Smith, Cameron Smith, Bailey Smith, Lucas Smith, Riley McCallister. Nine great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two brothers and one sister.

Memorials may be made to the McLean Fire and Rescue Squad.

**Courier, The (Lincoln, IL )** - January 12, 2011

Deceased Name: Carly Ann Sullivan

Carly Ann Sullivan, infant daughter of Darrick and Victoria (Bullock) Sullivan, passed away January 9, 2011 at Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital.

Visitation will be 9-11 AM Thursday, January 13, 2011 at Holland Barry & Bennett Funeral Home in Lincoln. Funeral services will be 11 AM on Thursday also at the funeral home with Daniel Sawyer officiating. Burial will follow in Zion Cemetery, Lincoln.

Carly was **born** December 24, 2010 in Lincoln, Illinois.

Surviving are her parents Darrick and Victoria Sullivan of Lincoln, IL.; sister Charlene Sullivan of Lincoln, IL.; maternal grandparents Jeff and Rose Bullock of Lincoln, IL.; maternal great grandfather Harry Bullock of Illiopolis, IL.; paternal grandmother Theresa Harmon of Mt. Pulaski, IL.; paternal great grandmother Donna Fulk of Lincoln, IL.; several aunts, uncles, and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her paternal grandfather David Sullivan.

Memorial donations may be made to the family and will be accepted at the funeral home.

**Courier, The (Lincoln, IL )** - January 12, 2011

Deceased Name: Eileen Conlin Goff

Eileen Conlin Goff, 89, passed away Sunday, January 9, 2011.

**Born** in Bloomington, Ill. Mrs. Goff came to Orlando with her husband Ed in 1948 to open Goff's Ice Cream. She was retired from the Trust Dept. of the former Barnett Bank and was a long time member of St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church. She is predeceased by her husband of 66 years, Edwin W. Goff and her son Warren W. Goff.

Mrs. Goff is survived by her children; Nancy (Jay) Fischer, Tom (Vicki) Goff, Patty Goff, and Beth (Durbin) Gatch; nine grandchildren, and eleven grandchildren. She is also survived by her sister-in-law Dorothy Legge.

Friends may call at the Carey Hand Cox-Parker Funeral Home, 1350 W. Fairbanks Avenue, Winter Park, (407)-647-1942, Wednesday evening from 6:00-8:00pm. A Funeral Mass for Mrs. Goff will be held at the St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church, Thursday at 9:30am. Interment will be in Palm Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may be offered to charities that have special meaning to her family. Please visit [www.carey-handcox.com](http://www.carey-handcox.com) for further information and to offer on-line condolences.

**Courier, The (Lincoln, IL )** - January 12, 2011

Deceased Name: Ross A. Sowers

Ross A. Sowers, 72, of Middletown, IL passed away at 12:24 p.m. January 10, 2011 at St. John's Hospital in Springfield, IL.

He retired from Kelly Construction of Decatur, IL. He had served in the National Guard and was a member of the Illinois Live Steamers Association; Florida Live Steamers Association and St. Louis Live Steamers Association.

He was **born** Dec. 16, 1938 in Decatur, IL., the son of Thural and Nellie Camp Sowers. He married Loretta Noon on Aug. 3, 1968 in Decatur, Illinois.

He is survived by his wife of Middletown; one son: Richard (Robin) Sowers of Decatur; four daughters: Debra Roles of Decatur; Sheila (Lance) Mahan of Paducah, KY; Carol (Stephan) Upshaw of Downers Grove, IL and Jody Jones of Bethlehem, GA; five grandchildren: Julia Roles; Shelby Sowers; Emily Sowers; Benjamin Upshaw and Zachary Upshaw; six brothers: Robert Sowers; Wayne (Rosemary) Sowers; Rex (Nancy) Sowers; Eugene (Rosie) Sowers; Darrell (Linda) Sowers and Gary Sowers, all of Decatur, IL; two sisters: Virginia Foster of Riverside, CA and Carol (Jim) Shafer of Decatur, IL.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother: Marvin.

Services will be at 10:00 a.m. Friday, Jan. 14 at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln with Rev. Robert Irvin officiating.

Interment will be at Fairlawn Cemetery in Decatur, IL.

Visitation will be Thursday from 4 until 7 p.m. at the funeral home in Lincoln.

Memorials may be made to the Middletown United Methodist Church.

**Courier, The (Lincoln, IL )** - January 14, 2011

Deceased Name: Jaelyn Yvonne Delgado Rufus

Jaelyn Yvonne Delgado Rufus, infant daughter of Christopher and Jeramy Delgado Rufus, died Jan. 12, 2011 at 4:23 a.m. at Advocate Bromenn Hospital in Normal, IL.

She was a member of the Full Gospel Tabernacle Church.

She was **born** Jan. 12, 2011 in Normal, IL, the daughter of Christopher George and Jeramy Dano Delgado Rufus.

Survivors include her parents of Bloomington, IL; one brother: Christian Rufus of Bloomington, IL; maternal grandmother: Virginia Gardner of Lincoln; maternal great-grandmother: Ignacio Felipa of the Phillipines; paternal grandparents: Donna (Michael) Shutt of Lincoln; paternal grandfather: Gregory Rufus; paternal great-grandmother: Frankie Ingram of Chicago; many aunts and uncles.

She was preceded in death by her maternal grandfather and paternal great-grandfather.

Services will be at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 15 at Full Gospel Taberacle Church with Pastor Oscar Owens officiating.

Interment will be at Babyland at the New Union Cemetery in Lincoln. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service at the church. Arrangements are by Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln.

Memorials may be made to the Rufus Family.



**Courier, The (Lincoln, IL )** - January 14, 2011

Deceased Name: Opal F. Buttell

Opal F. Buttell, 92, of Elkhart passed away on Sunday, January 9, 2011 at 8:23 a.m. at the Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital Emergency Room.

Funeral Services for Mrs. Buttell will be held on Saturday, January 15, 2011 at 1:00 p.m. at the Peasley Funeral Home in Lincoln with Rev. Simon L. Taabu officiating.

Visitation will be held from 12:00 p.m. until time of service on Saturday at the funeral home.

Burial will be in Holy Cross Cemetery in Lincoln

Opal F. Buttell was **born** on June 14, 1918 in Cornland, the daughter of Frank and Florence Raholitz Bohn. She married Jacob C. Buttell on January 20, 1942 in Elkhart. He preceded her in death on December 19, 1995.

Surviving Mrs. Buttell are one brother: Charles (Louise) Bohn of Cornland, one sister: Elizabeth Hooper of Rockford; one sister-in-law: Meredith Bohn; several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by five brothers and four sisters.

Mrs. Buttell retired for the Elkhart Post Office as a clerk after 29 years of service.

She was a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Elkhart.

Memorials may be made to Meals on Wheels or St. Patrick's Catholic Church.

**Courier, The (Lincoln, IL )** - January 14, 2011

Deceased Name: Iris E. Lohrenz

Iris E. Lohrenz, 89 1/2, of Lincoln, IL passed away at 11:50 p.m. Jan. 12, 2011 at St. Clara's Manor in Lincoln, IL.

She was a sales clerk at Miller-Jones Shoe Store; Leslie's Shoe Store and Sears Roebuck & Co. She and her husband owned and operated the Speed Wash Laundramat in Mason City from 1958 until 1973.

Iris came to Illinois to live with her Aunt Louise Wyland after the death of her mother in 1936. She graduated from Lincoln Community High School in 1940.

She was a member of Zion Lutheran Church of Lincoln where she was a member of the missionary society for 49 years. She was a Girl Scout Leader; Cub Scout Den Mother; Room Mother at Washington-Monroe and Central Schools and a member of the American Legion Auxiliary Post #263.

She was **born** June 12, 1921 in Pierre, SD, the daughter of Ernest and Thelma Bergh Westlund. She married Marion G. Lohrenz on May 30, 1942 in Alabama. He preceded her in death on March 21, 2002.

She is survived by one daughter: Judy (Cliff) Perkins of Lincoln; one brother: Dwayne Nelson of Longmont, CO; grandchildren: Leslie Ann Hoefle, Teresa Campbell, Angie Sanders, Debra Jordan, Michael Marion Lohrenz II, Amanda Steele and Justin Lohrenz; great granddaughters: Lauren Hoefle, Alica Sanders, Lindsey Sanders, Emily Sanders and Jaedyn Steele; great grandsons: Alex Sanders, Andrew Mason, Domonic Jordan and Brandon Steele.

She was preceded in death by her parents; one son, Michael; two brothers and one sister.

Services will be at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 15 at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln with Rev. David Ramirez officiating. Interment will be at Union Cemetery in Lincoln. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to Zion Lutheran Church, Zion Lutheran School or the donor's choice.

**Courier, The (Lincoln, IL )** - January 14, 2011

Deceased Name: Richard T. Charlton

Richard T. Charlton, 63, of Lincoln, passed away on Thursday, Jan. 9, 2011 at St. Mary's in Decatur.

Richard Charlton was **born** on March 3, 1947 in Kentucky, son of Ralph and Pauline Charlton. He married Dianna Cotty on Sept. 20, 2008.

Surviving are three brothers: Bob Charlton of Florida, Ron Charlton of Louisiana and Jim Charlton of Florida; three children: Kim Palo of Illinois, Candi Abello of Illinois and Doug Charlton of Illinois.

Richard left behind nine grandchildren.

He will be missed by all that knew him. He was a member of the local VFW. He was in the Army from 1966-68. He also loved Nascar.

Any memorials can be sent to: Diana Charlton, 816 N. Logan, Lincoln, IL.

**Courier, The (Lincoln, IL )** - January 15, 2011

Deceased Name: David A. Nichols

David A. Nichols, 52, of Springfield formerly of Elkhart passed away on Thursday, January 13, 2011 at 1:56 a.m. at St John's Hospice in Springfield.

David Arthur Nichols was **born** on Novemeber 22, 1958 in Lincoln the son of Glenn Arthur and Betty Liesman Nichols.

He is survived by his mother, one brother: Steve (Cindy) Nichols, one sister: Suzzan (Mark) Maxheimer, two neices and one nephew all of Elkhart. His companion of many years: Diane Klingburg of Springfield.

He was preceded in death by his father.

Services will be held at a later date. Cremation rites have been accorded.

Peasley Funeral Home in Lincoln is in charge of arrangements.

David was an avid fisherman, Chicago Cubs, Chicago Bears fan and Nascar racer Jeff Gordon fan.

He was a member of the Route 66 Car Club in Springfield.

He had been employeed at Shop N Save in Springfield.

Memorials may be made to St. Jude's Hospital for cancer research for children.

**Courier, The (Lincoln, IL )** - January 18, 2011

Deceased Name: Edward "Ed" Arnold Hunter

Edward "Ed" Arnold Hunter, 92, of Palatine passed away Saturday morning at Good Shepherd Hospital in Lake Barrington, IL.

He was **born** in Hume, IL on January 22, 1918, the son of Lonnie and Grace Hunter. After graduating from New Holland High School in 1936 he attended Lincoln College in Lincoln, IL where he earned his teacher's certificate in 1938.

When WWII broke out he was teaching in the Logan County School System. He completed the school term and enlisted in the Army in June of 1941. Upon completion of basic training he was selected for Officer's Candidate School and was assigned to the 3rd Infantry Division as a 2nd Lieutenant. While leading his platoon ashore in Operation Torch, the invasion of North Africa, he was wounded by a French machine gun bullet earning the Purple Heart. Following a nine month recuperation, he was assigned to Air Transport Command at Hamilton Field where he was responsible for routing air cargo shipments in the Pacific Theater of Operations until his discharge as an Army Air Force Captain in December 1945.

On April 7th, 1944 he married Catherine Huitt of Springfield, IL. They were happily married until her passing in July of 2009.

After his discharge he began working for United Airlines where he was employed in various cargo-related positions until his retirement in 1980. He developed an international reputation for his participation on work developing methods for shipping hazardous and difficult materials by air, including the pet kennels still in use today.

In 1956, he and Kate adopted Raymond Arnold Hunter who was by his side in his final hours.

Throughout his life he was known to all as a gentleman of the finest order for his strength, kindness, and adherence to doing the right thing.

His grandchildren will never forget his ready smile, Old Country Buffet, and an endless supply of ice cream cones and tiny cans of apple juice.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Ruby Ingram of Lincoln, IL. He is survived by his son, Raymond, two brothers, Kenneth Hunter of Allerton, IL and Joseph Hunter of Arthur, IL. He is also survived by three grand-daughters, two great-grandsons and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held 11 a.m. Thursday, January 20, 2011 at Staab Funeral Home with Sue Sawers, CLP, officiating. Burial will follow at Oak Ridge Cemetery where Sangamon County Interveterans Burial Detail will conduct military honors.

**Courier, The (Lincoln, IL )** - January 19, 2011

Deceased Name: Dr. George "Doc" N. Smith

Dr. George "Doc" N. Smith D.D.S., 77, of Lincoln passed away on Monday, January 17, 2011 at 12:54 a.m. at St. Clara's Manor in Lincoln.

A Memorial Service for Dr. Smith will be held on Thursday, January 20, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. at the American Legion Post # 263 1740 5th Street Lincoln.

Family will greet friends before the service from 5:00 p.m. until 6:30 p.m.

Cremation Rites have been accorded.

Peasley Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

George Norman Smith was **born** on May 28, 1938 in Freeport, Il., the son of Charles Leslie and Grace Smith. He married Arta L. Machamer on September 9, 1966 in Mt. Morris, Illinois. She survives.

Also surviving are one step daughter: Patricia (Denny) O'Boyle of Chillicothe, one brother: James C. Smith of Mt. Morris, two step grandsons: Dr. David P. (Rachel) Wickness of Champaign, Il., Scott M. Wickness of Denver, Co. two step great grandchildren: Marissa Wickness and Ava Wickness.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

George graduated from Mt. Morris High School and attended Grinnell College in Iowa, Northern Illinois University and Rockford College. He graduated from the University of Illinois School of Dentistry in Chicago.

Doc started his dental practice in Stockton and Mt. Morris. He went to work at the Dixon Development Center in 1974 and then transferred to the Lincoln Development Center in 1982. He retired in 1991 from the Lincoln Development Center.

After retirement Doc worked with Dr's. Robert Dahman and Todd Walker Dental Practices.

George served in the United States Army for two years during the Korean War.

His hobby's included Golfing and Reading.

He was a member of American Legion Post # 263 in Lincoln, Veteran's of Foreign Wars Post in Oregon, Ill. And former member of Lincoln Elk's Lodge # 914.

Memorials may be made to American Legion Post # 263 or for Gift for Yankees that served.

**Courier, The (Lincoln, IL )** - January 19, 2011

Deceased Name: Lonnie Roher

Lonnie Roher, age 65 of Athens, IL passed away on January 18, 2011 at St. John's Hospice.

He is survived by three sons, Thomas of Auburn, Brian of Mt. Pulaski & Jamie of Virden. A sister; Linda Milner of Fancy Prairie; a sister-in-law Katherine Roher of Springfield; cousin Dennis Allen of Cantrall; 4 Grandchildren; aunt Nadine of Cantrall & several nieces & nephews

Mr. Roher was **born** December 27, 1945 in Cornland, IL the son of John and Marguerite Guffey Roher. He is preceded in death by his parents, a sister Juanita Perkins, and a brother Francis Roher.

Mr. Roher was a veteran of the Vietnam War.

He was a truck driver for over 20 years and then later worked for Walmart.

Visitation will be held at Mott & Henning Funeral on Thursday Jan. 20, 2011 from 5:00 PM until 7:00 PM. and where funeral services will be held on Friday Jan. 21, 2011 at 10:00 AM.

Rev. Chance Newingham will officiate.

Burial will be at Camp Butler National Cemetery.

Memorials: American Cancer Society or "The Lonnie Roher Memorial Fund".

On-line condolences can be sent at [www.mottandhenning.com](http://www.mottandhenning.com).

**Courier, The (Lincoln, IL )** - January 19, 2011

Deceased Name: Ray Mason

Ramon H. "Ray" Mason, a Morton attorney for nearly 60 years and the founder of "Morton's first law office," died peacefully at 7:05 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 13, 2011, at Apostolic Christian Restmor in Morton, shortly before his 93rd birthday.

Visitation will be held from 4 to 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 21, 2011, at Knapp-Johnson Funeral Home and Cremation Center in Morton, where a Masonic service will follow the visitation. A graveside service will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 22 at Atlanta Cemetery in Atlanta, Ill.

A Celebration of Life service will be held at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 29 at Community United Church of Christ in Morton, with the Rev. Jeffrey E. Johnston officiating. Special music will be performed by the Central Illinois Banjo Club and the Edward and Janet Kaizer Combo of Bradley University's Department of Music.

He was **born** Raymond Hawes Mason on Jan. 19, 1918, in Atlanta, Ill., to Walter R. and Litta (Hawes) Mason. As an adolescent, he began to spell his first name "Ramon"(pronounced "RAY-men"), at the suggestion of his older brother Dale and perhaps under the influence of the Mexican silent-film star Ramon Novarro. His first name was legally changed to "Ramon" in 1942.

He married his high school sweetheart, Mary Alice Thompson, on July 3, 1943, at Eminence Christian Church in rural Atlanta, and was a devoted husband for 53 years, in her sickness and in her health. She died Aug. 3, 1996.

He also was preceded in death by an infant son, Robert, in 1951; two brothers; a half brother; a half sister and an infant half sibling.

Survivors include two sons, John Mason of Silver Spring, Md., and Craig Mason of Morton; and a granddaughter, Tomiko Mason of Silver Spring.

A 1935 graduate of Atlanta Community High School and a member of the Atlanta High School Alumni Association, he worked in the 1930s for various central Illinois grocers, including his family's store in Atlanta.

He received his bachelor's degree, in marketing, in 1942 from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, where, during the big band era, he played drums for four years with the Johnny Bruce Orchestra. His life-long enthusiasm for drumming began when he was very young. In 2008 he said, "I recall my mother playing the piano and teaching me to keep time as I pounded on my first snare drum, a round five-pound tin of Campfire Marshmallows from my dad's grocery store."

A World War II and Korean War Army veteran, he served from 1942 to 1946 and from 1951 to 1952, graduating from Officer Candidate School and the Command and General Staff School, where he prepared for the anticipated invasion of Japan. He attained the rank of Captain. He served in the Army Reserve from 1946 to 1951. In 2008 he recalled, "During my time in the budget, fiscal and finance departments of the Army, I had to study regulations and issue opinions on them, and that helped lead me to an interest in the law." He was a lifetime member and former judge advocate of American Legion Post 318 in Morton. He was a lifetime charter member of the National World War II Memorial Society and a charter member of the National World War II Museum. His account of his Army service appears in the book "Tazewell County Veterans of World War II: Remembrances."

He taught introductory economics at the University of Illinois while attending its College of Law, from which he graduated in 1949. He later attended continuing education courses at Harvard Law School.

Believed to be Morton's first full-time, resident lawyer, he began the practice of general civil law in November 1949, in Morton, where, aside from Army service, he practiced into his 90th year. On July 1, 2008, he officially took what he called early retirement but remained active in his church and community to



his dying day, his death coming just hours after he had attended his weekly Rotary meeting.

He was a single practitioner until 1981. Thomas A. Krieg was his associate from 1981 to 1987 and his partner from 1988 to 2008.

In 2008, at the Governor's Mansion in Springfield, he was honored for his commitment to his profession and his community with induction into the Senior Illinoisans Hall of Fame, which recognizes distinguished service by Illinoisans age 65 or older.

He was named Grand Marshal of the 2010 Morton Pumpkin Festival parade.

In 1962-63, he and his family were hosts to Morton's first foreign exchange student, Fritz Mattejat of Germany.

He served as school board and school district attorney for Morton and Pleasant Hill during the years when Morton High School and three of Morton's four elementary schools were planned and built. He had also served as attorney for the Village of Morton.

He had served as a legal adviser to the Capital Campaign Committee for the Bertha Frank Performing Arts Center in Morton.

He had served on the Tazewell County Selective Service Board, as president of the Morton Parent Teacher Association, president and board member of Morton Community Chest, and as co-chair of Morton's Inter-Church Crusade Executive Committee in 1968.

He had served as a corporate secretary of Morton Progress Inc. and was instrumental in the founding of the Morton Youth Council on Civic Affairs, the Hopedale Investment Co., and the Hopedale Development Co.

He served for 37 years as a director of Community Bank of Hopedale and in 1995 was named Better Banks of Illinois Director of the Year.

A co-founder of We Care Inc., a social service organization providing food and transportation to those in need, he was a former member of its board and its foundation's board. He also was a current or former director of Eminence Grain and Coal Co., Action Concepts, Heartland Home of Seniors, the Morton Temple Association and Project Daybreak Inc., a pioneering effort in adult day care.

He was a past member of the board of Morton Chamber of Commerce and the co-recipient of the chamber's 1994 Distinguished Service Award. In 2005 he received a Longevity Award from the chamber, and Mason and Krieg Law Offices received a chamber Golden Pumpkin Award in 2007.

A lifetime member, former president and 50-year honoree of the Tazewell County Bar Association, he also was a lifetime member of the American and Illinois State bar associations and a past member of the Illinois State Bar Association's Committee on Judicial Advisory Polls. The ISBA named him a Senior Counsellor in 1999.

He was a lifetime member of Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity and served as vice justice of its Magruder chapter while in law school.

He was a 61-year member of Community United Church of Christ, Morton's oldest continuous congregation, where, in addition to providing free legal services to the church, he had served as council member and president; co-chair of the Visitation Evangelism Group and of the Serve and Grow Campaign; Sunday school teacher; a co-founder of the Continuing Gifts Ministry; and a member of boards, study groups, the Long Range Planning Committee, the Church and Community Project Committee, the Community Center SOAR Group, adult Sunday school, Men's Fellowship, Sunday Nighters, Friends over Sixty and American Cancer Society Relay for Life teams.

He was a lifetime member of the University of Illinois Alumni Association, the Morton Historical Society, Kennel Lake Sportsmen's Club and Morton Lodge 352 AF & AM.

He was a member of the John E. Cribbet Society of the University of Illinois College of Law and the Presidents Council of the University of Illinois Foundation. He and other members of the Ray and Ida (Crihfield) Thompson family received the University of Illinois College of ACES Alumni Association Family Spirit Award for 2004.

He was a current or former member of the Peoria Symphony Guild, the Art Institute of Chicago, Consumer Reports Foundation, the Statue of Liberty-Ellis Island Foundation, the Illinois Sheriffs' Association, UNICEF, USO, the Tazewell County Farm Bureau, WTVP 47 (PBS) and the Atlanta, Ill., Betterment Fund.

He was a charter partner of the Bull and Bear Investment Club and a charter member of Peoria's Lakeview Museum of the Arts and Sciences and of the Morton chapter of the American Field Service (AFS).

A Paul Harris Fellow of Rotary International and a faithful contributor to the Rotary Foundation, he was a Centurion Member of Morton Rotary and a recipient of its Vocational Service Leader of the Month Award.

He was a member of and former drummer for the Central Illinois Banjo Club, last playing his drums shortly before turning 90. A few weeks before his death, while being serenaded by the Banjo Club at supper time at Apostolic Christian Restmor nursing home, he picked up his silverware and began to drum along.

He was a former member of the Creve Coeur Club of Peoria; Pekin Country Club; and the Lions, Jaycees, Music Boosters and Toastmasters, all in Morton.

He was a benefactor of the Peoria Symphony Orchestra, the Peoria Area Civic Chorale, WGLT FM, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, the Central Illinois Memorial Kidney Fund, the Morton Community Foundation, the Morton Fine Arts Association, the Bertha Frank Performing Arts Center, the Morton Public Library, the Atlanta, Ill., Library and Museum and Atlanta's Eminence Christian Church.

Memorial contributions may be made to Community United Church of Christ, 300 N. Main St., Morton, IL 61550; We Care Inc., 622 W. Jackson St., Morton, IL 61550; Morton Community Foundation, 309 N. Main St., Suite B, Morton, IL 61550; Morton Fine Arts Association, P.O. Box 80, Morton, IL 61550; Apostolic Christian Restmor, 1500 Parkside Ave., Morton, IL 61550 or to a charity of the donor's choice.

To view Mr. Mason's obituary or video tribute or to leave an online condolence for the family, visit [www.knappjohnson.com](http://www.knappjohnson.com).

**Courier, The (Lincoln, IL )** - January 20, 2011

Deceased Name: Ruth Ann Marie (Newby) Stagnolia

Mrs. Ruth Ann Marie (Newby) Stagnolia age 68 passed away Tuesday, January 11, 2011 at her home in LaFollette, TN after a lengthy illness.

She was **born** in Almond, Wisconsin of the late Mr. and Mrs. Jay Newby. She grew up in Wisconsin, and graduated from P.J. Jacobs Highschool (in Stevens Point, WS) in 1960.

She worked many occupations. She spent five years before her illness truck driving across the country with her beloved husband Glen David Stagnolia, before retiring from Dollar General in 2003.

She is preceded in death by her son Jonas Stagnolia; her brother Leland Newby, and a Grandson.

Ruth and Glen were married Nov. 26, 1977, he survives. She is also survived by: three sons, Paul (Natalie) Hamerski, Lincoln, IL; Michael (Lija) Stagnolia, Lincoln, IL; Johnny (Anita) Stagnolia, Bloomington, IL; three daughters, Mrs. Anita (Joel) Bruns, Lincoln, IL; Crystal Stagnolia and fiance John Wallen, LaFollette, TN; Fonda (Billy) Stagnolia, Indianapolis, IN; sister, Donna Newby (Lee) Farnam, LaFollette, TN; brother, Richard (Gloria) Newby, Stevens Point, WS; as well as 23 Grand Children, two Great Grandchildren and several Nieces and Nephews.

The family has requested only one rose be sent in Lieu of Flowers.

**Courier, The (Lincoln, IL )** - January 20, 2011

Deceased Name: Mary Crowell

Mary Crowell, 72, of Lincoln, IL passed away at 11:50 a.m. January 18, 2011 at her home.

She formerly worked at Bartmann's Nursing Home and was a technician at Lincoln Developmental Center. She was a member of the Lincoln Southern Baptist Church.

She was **born** Jan. 19, 1938 in Birdseye, Indiana, the daughter of John Daniel and Ollie Glea Mullen Webster. She married Calvin R. Crowell on Dec. 4, 1956 in Lincoln, IL.

She is survived by her husband of Lincoln, one daughter: Mary (Jack) Deushane of Lewistown, IL; three sons: Calvin L. (Kathleen) Crowell of St. Joseph, IL; R. Wayne (Kristi) Crowell of Mason City, IL; Jerry A. (Lotis) Crowell of Lincoln, IL; one brother: Otis Jackson (Melanie) Webster of Mooresville, Indiana; one sister: Maudie (George) Jackson of Punta Gorda, FL; 10 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one brother: Noble James Webster.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 22 at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln with Rev. Dennis Shaw and Clyde Shreve officiating. Interment will be at Zion Cemetery in Lincoln.

Visitation will be Friday from 4 until 7 p.m. at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the family.

**Courier, The (Lincoln, IL )** - January 21, 2011

Deceased Name: Barbara A. Laymon

LINCOLN - Barbara A.

Laymon, 74, of Lincoln, passed away January 18, 2011 at her residence.

Private services will be held at Holland Barry & Bennett Funeral Home in Lincoln.

Barbara was **born** December 14, 1936 in Kenney, IL., the daughter of Sydney Louis Gardner and Florence Amanda (Potts). She married W.I. "Blackie" Laymon on November 12, 1966 in Lincoln, IL.

He preceded her in death on December 31, 2005.

She was a member of Foursquare Gospel Church in Deatur, IL. She loved her family and friends and was deeply devoted to her two dogs. Coco and Petro are very sad at her passing.

Surviving are her daughters: Theresa DeLong and husband Thomas of Canton, IL.; Penni Eichhorn and James Potts of Lincoln, IL.; and Dana Puckett and husband Dave of Houston, TX.; grandchildren: Tad DeLong, Brian Eichhorn Jr., Haileigh DeLong, and Jordan Foss; great grandchildren: Hailey DeLong and Trevor DeLong.

She was preceded in death by her ex-husband, two brothers, and three sisters.

Memorial donations may be made to the Foursquare Gospel Church in Decatur, IL.

**Courier, The (Lincoln, IL )** - January 22, 2011

Deceased Name: Wilbur L. Baker

Wilbur L. Baker, 80, of Lincoln died at 4:00 A.M. January 21, 2011 at Christian Nursing Home, Lincoln.

Baker was a retired state trooper for the Illinois State Police District 9 working for 30 years from 1957-1987. He was a member of the U.S. Marine Corp during the Korean Conflict, 1952-1954, and a member at the Lincoln V.F.W., American Legion Post #263 and the Fraternal Order of Police. He attended Zion Lutheran Church of Lincoln.

Baker was **born** June 13, 1930, in Hartsburg, IL, to Louis Nicholas and Edith Matilda Schwantz Baker. He married JoAnne Arnold on May 8, 1960, in Lincoln, IL. She preceded him in death on August 4, 1984. He married Evalyn McAfee on May 23, 1986, in Springfield, IL. She survives in Lincoln.

Baker is survived by: two sons, Ron (Jean) Hall of Lincoln and Randy (Nettie) Hall of Lincoln; one daughter, Pam (Dean) Huston of Springfield, IL; grandchildren, Rachel Hall, Angie Snell, Lisa Webster, Nicole Huston, and Aric and Kevin Monkman; great grandchildren, J.D. Snell, Bailey Snell, Justin Boston, Cody Huston, Haylee Huston and Zoey Huston; and one sister, Irma Neil of Jacksonville, Florida.

He is preceded in death by his parents; daughter Pat Webster; sisters Dorothy Hildabrand, Ruth Gehlbach, Esther Lolling and Louella Kagel; and one grandson, Chad Hall.

Services will be held at 1:30 P.M. Monday January 24, 2011 at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln, Rev. Mark Thompson presiding. Interment will be held at New Union Cemetery, Lincoln, IL with full military rites accorded by Lincoln American Legion Post #263.

A visitation will be held from 1-3 P.M. on Sunday at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Disease Association, Christian Nursing Home or donor's choice.

**Courier, The (Lincoln, IL )** - January 24, 2011

Deceased Name: Burnice Prather

Burnice Prather, 92, of Mt. Pulaski, IL passed away at 6:10 p.m. January 20, 2011 at St. Clara's Manor in Lincoln, IL.

She was a homemaker and a member of St. John's Lutheran Church of Mt. Pulaski. She was also a member of the Rebekkah Lodge of Mt. Pulaski, IL.

She was **born** Jan. 8, 1919 in Eureka, IL., the daughter of Edward and Katie Alexander (Burnell) Buck. She married William C. Prather on Nov. 13, 1939 in LaPlata, Missouri. He preceded her in death in 2000.

She is survived by two daughters: Bonny (Jim) Weinheimer of Yorkville, IL; Kathy (Gary) Schmidt of Hackensack, New Jersey; two sons: Bruce Prather of Mesa, Arizona; Kit Prather of Oakland, California; one brother: Walter Buck of Columbus, Indiana; 7 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, two brothers and one sister.

Services will be at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, January 25, 2011 at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln, IL with Gary Schmidt officiating. Interment will be at Mt. Pulaski Cemetery in Mt. Pulaski, IL.

Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service on Tuesday at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to St. Clara's Manor, Lincoln, IL.

**Courier, The (Lincoln, IL )** - January 24, 2011

Deceased Name: Richard "Hoppy" Clampet

Richard "Hoppy" Clampet, age 84, of Coulterville, IL, passed away on Saturday, January 22, 2011 at his home, surrounded by his loving family.

Richard was **born** on May 19, 1927 in Perry County, IL, a son to Raymond and Lela (Taylor) Clampet. On November 21, 1947, he married Genevieve Presswood in Lincoln, IL and she preceded him in death on May 29, 2002. Richard was of the Baptist faith and was a veteran of the United States Navy Seabee's serving during World War II. He worked for the Sheriff's Department in Logan County for 14 years and was a coal miner for 30 years. He was a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, Lincoln, IL and the Fraternal Order of Police. Richard enjoyed woodworking and dearly loved spending time with his family.

Richard is survived by two sons, Douglas (Julie) Clampet of Chestnut, IL and Thomas (Judy) Clampet of Anna, IL; two daughters, Brenda (Willie) Rentmeister of Mt. Pulaski, IL and Nancy Knope of Coulterville, IL; two sisters, Emma Schubert and Nina Goldman both of Tamaroa, IL; seventeen grandchildren; twenty six great grandchildren; one great-great grandchild; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Genevieve; one son, Richard Clampet; one grandson; John Rentmeister, two sisters, Madge Keller and Maxine Rolphs; and two brothers, Lloyd Clampet and Raymond Clampet.

Funeral services will be held at Pyatt Funeral Home, Pinckneyville, IL on Wednesday, January 26, 2011 at 1:00 p.m.. Interment will be in Mueller Hill Cemetery, Pinckneyville, IL. Graveside military honors will be conducted by the DuQuoin American Legion Post #647 and DuQuoin V.F.W.

Friends may call at Pyatt Funeral Home on Tuesday from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. and on Wednesday from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

Memorials may be made to the Charity of Donor's Choice.

For more information or to sign an online guest register, please visit [www.pyattfuneralhome.com](http://www.pyattfuneralhome.com)



**Courier, The (Lincoln, IL )** - January 26, 2011

Deceased Name: Rev. William Walter Adam

Rev. William Walter Adam, 88, of Lincoln, Illinois passed away at 7:20 p.m. January 24, 2011 at Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital in Lincoln.

He was a retired minister serving in Australia from 1959 until 1966 and parishes in Auburn, Clayton, Mt. Sterling and Lincoln, Illinois from 1966 until 2005. He was a member of Zion Lutheran Church of Lincoln.

Pastor Adam was baptized in his parent's home on December 6, 1922 and confessed his faith in the rite of confirmation at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, Bloomington, Nebraska on April 17, 1938. His confirmation verse is Hebrews 13:5. After attending two semesters of college, he was drafted into the Army in 1945, which he served with the 970th Counter Intelligence Corps in Germany. After discharge he entered Concordia Theological Seminary, Springfield, Illinois in September 1953. He graduated from the Seminary on June 3, 1959.

He was **born** Nov. 21, 1922 in Franklin Co., Nebraska, the son of Walter and Marie Frerichs Adam. He married Ruth Fricke on June 6, 1959 in Petersburg, IL. She preceded him in death on Dec. 22, 2007.

Survivors include one son: Philip (Kathy) Adam of Plymouth, MN; one daughter: Laura Ann Adam of Cypress, Texas; two grandchildren: David and Marie Adam of Plymouth, MN; two brothers: Elmer Adam of Franklin, Nebraska and Fred (Marian) Adam of Wilcox, Nebraska; several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife; one infant son: Jonathan; and one brother: Robert Adam.

Services for Pastor Adam will be at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, January 29, 2011 at Zion Lutheran Church in Lincoln, IL with Rev. Mark Thompson officiating. Interment will be at Zion Cemetery in Lincoln. Visitation will be from 4 until 7 p.m. Friday at Zion Lutheran Church in Lincoln, IL. Arrangements are by Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln, IL.

Memorials may be made to Zion Lutheran School in Lincoln, IL, % Zion Lutheran Church, 205 Pulaski St., Lincoln, IL, 62656.

**Courier, The (Lincoln, IL )** - January 26, 2011

Deceased Name: Robert "Bob" Karloski

Robert "Bob" Louis Karloski, 88, of Decatur, IL, died early Sunday morning January 23, 2011, at Heartland Healthcare Center.

Funeral services will be held at 10:00 a.m. Thursday, January 27, at Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church, with visitation one hour prior to services at the church and also from 5-7 p.m. Wednesday, January 26, at Brintlinger and Earl Funeral Home, Decatur. Burial will be in Graceland Cemetery, Decatur.

Memorials may be made to Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church.

Mr. Karloski was **born** in Decatur on May 7, 1922, the son of Herman and Mamie (Salogga) Karloski. Upon graduation from Decatur High School in mid-year of 1942, he was employed at A.E. Staley Company. In October of 1942, he enlisted into the Army Air Corps and served with the 2nd Weather Reconnaissance Squadron as a prop specialist on the B-25D. He was stationed overseas in India, flying the Himalayan Mountains into China, returning to the States in 1945. Bob returned to Staley's as an electrician, retiring in 1987 after 45 years of service. He married Norma Jean Shepan on September 4, 1949, and spent many years traveling the country with his family during summer vacations.

Bob was a member of Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church where he was involved with the Men's Club, and Property and Maintenance Committee. He enjoyed reading, music, and his cars.

Surviving are his wife, Norma, of Decatur, daughters Mary Ellen of O'Fallon, Illinois, and Peggy Ann and husband Randy of Lincoln; brother Walter and wife Annalee of Decatur; sister Ruth of Carlinville; brother-in-law Melvin Thomas of Wellsville, Missouri; grandsons Christopher and wife Kamy of Pensacola, Florida and Bradley of Lincoln; great-grandson Kenzie of Pensacola; plus many nieces and nephews.

Bob was preceded in death by his parents and sister Helen (Karloski) Thomas.

Condolences may be left to the family at [www.brintlingerandearl.com](http://www.brintlingerandearl.com)

**Courier, The (Lincoln, IL )** - January 28, 2011

Deceased Name: Jackie B. Sheldon

Jackie B. Sheldon, 77, of Springfield, formerly of Lincoln, passed away at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 26, 2011, at Memorial Medical Center in Springfield.

He was **born** Sept. 11, 1933, in Lincoln, IL, the son of Ralph and Elsie Larson Sheldon. He married Martine Langley on Aug. 21, 1952 in Lincoln. He was retired from the Lincoln Ober Nester Bottle Factory after working 20-plus years in shipping and loading.

He is survived by his wife; two sons: Keith (Jan) Sheldon of Morton, IL, and Stuart (Marla) Sheldon of Naperville, IL; one sister: Evelyn Cosatino; six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two brothers: Garland and Wilbur (Bill) Sheldon.

Services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, January 29 at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln with Rev. Michael Short officiating. Visitation will be held from noon until time of service Saturday at the funeral home.

Interment will be at Zion Cemetery in Lincoln.

Memorials may be made to Heritage Manor, 900 North Rutledge, Springfield, IL, 62702, or Friends of Family, 125 Cypress Point Drive, Springfield, IL, 62704.

**Courier, The (Lincoln, IL )** - January 31, 2011

Deceased Name: Harry Elias Hild

Harry Elias Hild, 88, of Mt. Pulaski, passed away at 1:55 p.m. January 28, 2011 at Vonderlieth Living Center, Mt. Pulaski.

He was a retired farmer and cabinet maker. He was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church, Mt. Pulaski, IL and loved gardening and woodworking.

He was **born** February 20, 1922 in Latham, IL., the son of Carl Gottlieb and Ruby Kusterer Hild. He married Claudia L. Leslie on June 27, 1948 in Decatur, IL. She preceded him in death on August 27, 2004.

Survivors include two sons: Leslie "Foxie" (Joy) Hild and Harry Wayne (Jean) Hild, both of Mt. Pulaski, IL; five grandchildren: Davey, Kevin, Lacey, J.C. and Carl; 14 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, wife and one brother.

Services will be at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, February 1, 2011 at St. John's Lutheran Church in Mt. Pulaski with Rev. David L. Hofer officiating. Interment will be at Mt. Pulaski Cemetery in Mt. Pulaski, IL.

Visitation will be from 4 until 7 p.m. Monday, January 31, 2011 at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Mt. Pulaski, IL.

Memorials may be made to St. John's Lutheran Church.

**Courier, The (Lincoln, IL )** - January 31, 2011

Deceased Name: Lucinda Kay Reifsteck

Lucinda Kay Reifsteck, 51, of Lincoln passed away at 12:30 a.m Friday, January 28, 2011, at Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital in Lincoln.

She was **born** January 27, 1960, in St. Louis, Missouri, the daughter of Wallace and Tonita Douglas Reifsteck. She was a member of St. John United Church of Christ.

She is survived by her parents of Lincoln; three brothers: Douglas (Carolyn) Reifsteck of Sycamore, IL; David (Carol) Reifsteck of Herscher, IL; and Bret (Laurie) Reifsteck of Yorkville, IL; one sister: Elaine (Steven) Aue of Lincoln; maternal grandmother: F. Ione Douglas of Urbana, IL; and special friend Brian Aper.

She was preceded in death by her maternal grandfather, paternal grandparents and maternal great-grandparents.

A service will be held at 1 p.m. Monday, January 31, 2011 at St. Peter United Church of Christ, 905 S. Russell Street, Champaign, IL, with Rev. Laurie Hill officiating.

Visitation will take place from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday, January 30, 2011 at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln.

Interment will take place at East Lawn Burial Park Association in Urbana, IL.

Memorials may be made to St. Clara's Manor or Logan Mason Rehabilitation.

**Courier, The (Lincoln, IL )** - January 31, 2011

Deceased Name: Daniel T. Zanoza

Daniel T. Zanoza of Lincoln, IL, formerly of Chicago, was **born** into life November 27, 1953, and **born** into eternity January 6, 2011.

He is survived by his wife, Julie, of Lincoln, IL.

Dan was a pro-life/pro-family activist, as well as chairman of the Springfield Nativity Scene Committee in Springfield, IL. He was also a journalist and freelance writer, and many of his writings can be read on his blog/website, [rffm.org](http://rffm.org).

A service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, February 5, 2011 at Jefferson Street Christian Church in Lincoln, IL, and a second service will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, February 19, 2011, at St. Francis of Assisi Church, 15050 Wolf Road, Orland Park, IL.

No flowers, please, but cards may be sent to Julie Zanoza care of Jefferson Street Christian Church, 1700 North Jefferson Street, Lincoln, IL.