

**Deceased Name: Thomas Lee Tibbs 1954 - 2016**

*Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - December 2, 2016*

• Section: Obituaries

Thomas Lee "Tom" Tibbs 1954 - 2016 NEW HOLLAND, IL - Thomas Lee "Tom" Tibbs, 61, of New Holland, passed away November 29, 2016 at his home surrounded by his loving family. Cremation rites have been accorded by Holland Barry & Bennett Funeral Home. A celebration of life will be held Tuesday, December 6, 2016 at 6 PM at the Tibbs' residence in New Holland. Tom was born December 7, 1954 in Shelbyville, IL., the son of Roland and Lottie (Preston) Tibbs. He married Shirley Daniels on December 22, 1978 in Mississippi. He proudly served in the United States Army. Tom was welder, mechanic, and carpenter. He was formerly employed by the Logan County Cemetery District. He was an avid barterer. He enjoyed fishing, camping, watching wrestling and westerns, spending time in the garage, and spending time with his grandchildren. Surviving are his wife Shirley Tibbs of New Holland; children: Jeannia Griffin of Lincoln, Rex (Sally) Griffin of Mason City, Jennifer (John) Donovan of Armington, Tommy (Kristin) Tibbs of New Holland, Terry (Tammy) Tibbs of Lincoln; 15 grandchildren; 3 great grandchildren; brother Gene (Evelyn) Tibbs of San Jose, sister Linda (Jim) Remlinger of Lincoln, and cousin Mark Tibbs. He was preceded in death by his parents, brother Donnie Tibbs, and twin brother Timothy Tibbs. Memorial donations may be made to the family.

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**Deceased Name: Josephine Elsberry 1935 - 2016**

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Josephine Elsberry 1935 - 2016 LINCOLN, IL - Josephine Elsberry, 80, of Lincoln, passed away November 29, 2016 at Symphony of Lincoln. Private family services will be held at St. Mary's Cemetery. Holland Barry & Bennett Funeral Home has been entrusted with her care. Josephine was born December 7, 1935 in New York, the daughter of Edward and Mae (Kennedy) Normile. She was a member of Holy Family Catholic Church and the ALMH Auxiliary. She was formerly employed as a unit secretary at ALMH. She enjoyed travel, cruises, socializing, and dining out. Surviving is her son Lawrence "Larry" (Debbie) Conlin; sisters Margaret Byrne, Jeannie Conlin, and Marie. She was preceded in death by her parents and her sister Eileen Danley.

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## Deceased Name: Sharon Virginia Stone 1938 - 2016

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Sharon Virginia Stone 1938 - 2016 LINCOLN, IL - Sharon Virginia Stone, 78, of Lincoln passed away on Thursday, December 1, 2016 at Memorial Medical Center in Springfield. Sharon was born on January 18, 1938 in Lincoln, the daughter of Walter Alexander and Kathryn Jane (Kelso) Stone. Sharon is survived by her brother, James (Linda) Stone Sr., her nieces, Karen Trimberger, Carol Sheley, Cynthia Stone, and Mary Stone; her nephew, James Stone Jr; several great nieces & nephews and several great-great nieces & nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, and one niece, Cristy Lynne Stone. Sharon was a graduate of St. Josephs' Hospital School of Nursing in Bloomington; and worked as a registered nurse at St. Clara's Hospital as well as Lincoln Developmental Center. Sharon was a lifetime member of Lincoln Christian Church. A private family graveside service will be held at a later date in Old Union Cemetery in Lincoln. Memorial donations may be made in Sharon's name to Lincoln Christian Church. Services have been entrusted to Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home, Lincoln.

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**Deceased Name: Doris Jean Carter 1931 - 2016**

*Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - December 4, 2016*

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Doris Jean Carter 1931 - 2016 LINCOLN, IL - Doris Jean Carter, 85, of Lincoln, passed away at 3:10 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 2, 2016, at St. John's Hospital in Springfield. Doris was born April 18, 1931, in New Holland, Ill., the daughter of Earl Henry and Callie (Pedigo) Behrens. She married Gerald R. Carter on Oct. 22, 1949. He preceded her in death on Aug. 1, 2001. Doris is survived by her son, James L. (James W. Schmeltzer) Carter of Chicago; son-in-law, David Laesch of Mt. Pulaski; daughter-in-law, Karen Carter of Chestnut; her grandchildren: Dee Anderson of Mt. Pulaski, Russ (Sarah) Laesch of Fort Wayne, Ind., Jamie (Andy) Vaughan of Mt. Pulaski, and Rachel (Scott) Getzelman of Clinton; and her nine great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; son, Kenneth Ray Carter; daughter, Mary Edith Laesch; and her infant sister. Doris was a volunteer at Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital for over 40 years. She was part of the Home Extension group. Doris loved family gatherings, as well as sewing and painting. She was a proud member of the stitching club "Stitchers" at Serendipity in Lincoln. Doris also loved going to breakfast on Wednesday morning with "The Ladies". A memorial service for Doris will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, Dec. 8, 2016, at First United Methodist Church in Lincoln, officiated by the Rev. Michael Paulson. Visitation will be held from 4-7 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 7, 2016, at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln. Burial will take place at Harmony Cemetery after the services. Memorial donations may be made in Doris' name to: Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital, or First United Methodist Church in Lincoln.

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**Deceased Name: Marilee Miller 1951 - 2016**

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• Section: Obituaries

Marilee Miller 1954 - 2016 MASON CITY, IL - Marilee Miller, 61, of Mason City, Ill., passed away Sunday, Dec. 4, 2016, at St. John's Hospital after a long battle with cancer. Marilee was born Dec. 9, 1954, in Lincoln, Ill. She was the daughter of Verlon and Shirley (Auer) Elmore of Mason City, Ill. Marilee graduated from Mason City High School and went on to work at Franklin Life Insurance (AIG) in Springfield, Ill., for 43 years until she retired in 2015. She was a member and employee of Eagles Lodge in Lincoln, Ill. In her younger years she was active in 4-H and showing cattle. Marilee most recently enjoyed spending as much time as possible with her grandchildren. She is survived by her son, Kyle Ray (Melisa) Miller of Tallula; four sisters: Connie (Tony) Adelman of Greensburg, Ind., Sandy (Mike) Ramsay of Springfield, Rozanne Elmore of Greenview, and Cheryl Lynn of Orlando, Fla.; five grandchildren: Austin Yocom, Levi, Weston, Kolton and Hudson Miller; and several nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews. She was preceded in death by her father, Verlon, and her sister, Bonnie. Following her wishes, cremation is being accorded and a private burial will be held at a later date. A Celebration of Life service will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 17, 2016, at the Eagles Lodge, 1621 N. Kickapoo St., Lincoln, IL. The Reverend Charlotte Poetschner will officiate. Friends are invited to join the family for a luncheon following the Celebration of Life and can pay their respects until 4 p.m. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to: The National Bank of Petersburg for Marilee's grandsons' education fund. Hurley Funeral Home in Mason City is in charge of arrangements. For more information or to leave a condolence, please visit [www.hurleyfh.com](http://www.hurleyfh.com).

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## Deceased Name: Doris B. White 1923 - 2016

*Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - December 6, 2016*

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Doris B. White 1923 - 2016 LINCOLN, IL - Doris B. White, 93, passed away at 9:12 p.m. on November 23, 2016 at St. Clara's Manor in Lincoln, IL. Doris was born on January 17, 1923 in Logan County, IL; daughter of John and Bertha (Krueger) Geyer. Surviving Doris are her children: Faye (Terry) Kirk of Naples, FL; Shirley (Roger) Alberts of Surprise, AZ; Kaye Peters of San Diego, CA; John White of Madison, WI; one sister: Erna Hassebrock of Grandville, OH; one brother: Eugene Geyer of Mt. Pulaski, IL; five grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; one great-great grandchild; one nephew; three nieces. Doris was preceded in death by her parents. Doris was a registered nurse at St. Clara's Manor in Lincoln and retired as a nurse from Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital also of Lincoln. She was a member of the Retired Nurses Organization of Lincoln, IL. Doris was of the Lutheran Faith. Doris chose to be cremated. A private family graveside will be held at a later date. Memorials may be made in Doris' name to St. Clara's Manor of Lincoln, IL. Services are entrusted to Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral home in Lincoln, IL.

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**Deceased Name: Ronald Gilbert 1963 - 2016**

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Ronald "Ron" Gilbert 1963 - 2016 LINCOLN, IL - Ronald "Ron" Gilbert, 53, of Lincoln, passed away Dec. 1, 2016, at Memorial Medical Center in Springfield. Visitation will be from 5-7 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 8, 2016, at Holland Barry & Bennett Funeral Home. Cremation rites to follow. There will be no burial at this time. Ron was born July 23, 1963, in Springfield, Ill., the son of Clarence and Evelyn (Withrow) Gilbert. He married Tamsin Horn on Sept. 13, 2002, in Springfield, Ill. He was a Special Olympics participant, loved to cook, enjoyed watching wrestling, decorating, making model cars, being on the computer, and listening to music. Survivors include his wife, Tamsin Gilbert of Lincoln; father and mother-in-law, Sam and Mary (Doyle) Horn of Lincoln; brother and sister-in-law, Johnny and Mary Jane Horn of Lincoln; grandparents-in-law, Ruby and William Doyle also of Lincoln. He is also survived by several siblings and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the family and will be accepted at the funeral home.

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**Deceased Name: Marilyn Bevard 1930 - 2016**

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Marilyn Bevard 1930 - 2016 CHEROKEE, IA - Marilyn Bevard was born May 18, 1930, to Emily (Johnson) and Harold "Brownie" Liesman. She had a happy childhood on a farm in Logan County, IL, with loving parents, her brother, Merle, sister, Diane, and many cousins. She was baptized, confirmed, and married at Zion Lutheran Church in Lincoln, IL. Marilyn graduated from high school in Atlanta, IL in 1948. On her 22nd birthday she married George Edward Bevard. They moved several times. She enjoyed card playing, reading, and going for walks. Her home was hospitable and welcoming. Treasuring memories of are her daughter, Cherie (Denny) Holton; two sons, Todd Bevard and Tom (Connie) BeVard; grandchildren: Melanie (Todd) Benson, Heather (Jason) Swarthout, Stasia (Matt) Sherman, and Christopher (Ashley) Bevard; great-grandchildren: Jack, Joe, Trey, and Harper Benson and Will, Mitch, and Tatum Swarthout; her loving sister, Diane Liesman of McLean, VA; her nephew, and five nieces. Marilyn was preceded in death by her husband, Ed; parents; mother and father-in-law, George and Martha BeVard; brother and sister-in-law, Merle and Mary Liesman; brothers-in-law and their wives: Bill and Millie Johnson, Tom and Carolyn BeVard, and John BeVard; as well as great-niece, Betsy Clark; and great-nephews, Jon Liesman and Clint Clark. Funeral services were held Nov. 18, 2016, at Bethlehem Lutheran Church. Burial will be in the Spring at Roach's Chapel Cemetery near her childhood home.

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**Deceased Name: Henry Alan Steiger 1930 - 2016**

*Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - December 7, 2016*

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Henry Alan Steiger 1930 - 2016 LINCOLN, IL - Henry Alan Steiger died on December 6, 2016 at The Christian Village. He was born July 27, 1930 at home on the farm in Delavan, IL. He is the first son of Howard Henry and Opal Ruth Barbee Steiger. He attended Delavan's Curtis Grade School and Delavan High School. He graduated from Purdue University with a degree in Agricultural Engineering in 1952. He served in the United States Army during the Korean War where he was a high speed radio operator in Japan. Upon completing his tour of duty he returned home to the family farm. On August 18, 1956, he married Marilyn Ann Doubet at the Hanna City Presbyterian Church. They moved to Lincoln, Illinois where he was a livestock and grain farmer. Marilyn preceded him in death on February 12, 2015. Henry is survived by 3 daughters: Cynthia (Brent) Scott of Bloomington, Karen Steiger of Lincoln, Dawn (James) Frieling of Buffalo Grove; son Scott Steiger of Lincoln; 5 grandchildren: Lindsey Scott, Regan Frieling, Connor Scott, Skyler Frieling, Camden Frieling; 2 sisters: Ruth Rogers of Elizabethtown, NC; Linda (Arlis) Springer of Delavan; brother Ralph Steiger of Delavan; 3 nieces; 1 nephew. Mr. Steiger was a member of Boynton Mennonite Church and transferred his membership to the First Presbyterian Church of Lincoln in 1958 where he had served as a trustee and on other committees. He served 20 years on the Board of Directors of Logan FS, Inc and Ag-Land FS, Inc and 12 years on the Logan County Farm Bureau Board of Directors. Henry was a loving husband, dad and grandpa who enjoyed attending the children's and grandchildren's music and sports events and attending the Logan County Fair as a family. Memorial donations may be made to The Christian Village. Private family services will be held Saturday, December 10, 2016 at Holland Barry & Bennett Funeral Home. Burial will follow in New Union Cemetery with full military rites performed by the American Legion Post 263.

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**Deceased Name: David N. Horrom 1958 - 2016**

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David N. Horrom 1958 - 2016 ATLANTA, IL - David N. Horrom, 58, of Atlanta, passed away at 2:53 a.m. on Dec. 6, 2016, at St. Clara's Nursing Home in Lincoln. No services are scheduled. Following David's wishes, cremation rites have been accorded. David N. Horrom was born July 26, 1958, in Lincoln, the son of Billie Joe and Joan Harris Horrom. He is survived by his mother; one son, Joe Nathan Horrom; one sister, Kathy (Jeff) Lahr; three brothers : Bill Horrom, Mike Horrom and Steve Horrom; and two grandchildren, Aden Horrom and Mayla Horrom. David was preceded in death by his father. He graduated from Olympia High School in 1976. David worked as a concrete finisher and at the Atlanta Locker. Memorials maybe made to: The Atlanta Library, Atlanta Rescue Squad, or Atlanta Fire Department. Peasley Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

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## Deceased Name: Tina Naugle 1960 - 2016

*Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - December 8, 2016*

• Section: Obituaries

Tina Naugle 1960 - 2016 LAWNDALE, IL - Tina Naugle, 56, of Lawndale, passed away at 10:11 a.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 7, 2016, at Bromenn Regional Medical Center in Normal. Tina was born May 1, 1960, in Lincoln, Ill., daughter of Nelson and Margaret Christine (Richardson) Hainline Sr. She married Ricky Naugle on Nov. 19, 1977, in Lincoln, Ill. He survives her. Also surviving are her parents; two daughters, Kit (Andrew) Clapp, and Kim (Jeremy Durham) Naugle, both of Lawndale, Ill.; one brother, Nelson (Cheryl) Hainline Jr. of Bowling Green, Mo.; and four grandchildren: Hope Naugle, Colton Spinner, Kylie Durham, and Kody Durham. She was preceded in death by four siblings: Earlene Hainline Stark, James Perry Hainline, Alberta Hainline, and Roberta Hainline. She was a member of First Baptist Church in Lincoln. Services for Tina will be 11:00 a.m., Saturday, Dec. 10, 2016, at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln, Ill., with the Rev. Marshall James Adams officiating. Visitation will be two hours prior to the service from 9-11 a.m. A private family burial at Lawndale Cemetery will be held at a later date. Memorials may be made in Tina's name to: The American Cancer Society.

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**Deceased Name: Susann M. Davis 1945 - 2016**

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Susann M. Davis 1945 - 2016 MAHOMET, IL - Susann M. Davis, 71, of Mahomet, passed away Saturday, Dec. 3, 2016, at Carle Foundation Hospital in Urbana. She was born May 24, 1945, to Joseph and Anna (Miklancic) Greger in Chicago, Ill. She is survived by a daughter, Amanda (Mark) Akers; son, Thomas (Elizabeth) Davis, both of Mahomet; stepdaughter, Kim (Todd) Shelmadine of Columbia, Mo.; stepson, Billy (Mysty) Davis of Rantoul; and a brother, Jim (Carolyn) Greger of Lincoln, Ill. She is also survived by six grandchildren: Abigail Akers, Eliana and Wyatt Davis, and Kayla, Auste, and Cody Shelmadine; one great-granddaughter, Ella Jenkins; and three nephews: Jim Jr., Mark, and Steve Greger. She was preceded in death by her parents; an infant brother, Thomas Greger; and a nephew, Mike Greger. Susann was known around Mahomet as "The Paper Lady" as she had worked for the News-Gazette for 30 years as a Mahomet town supervisor and bundle hauler. She also delivered several paper routes, which led to many friendships along the way. Per her wishes, there will be no services. She will be cremated, and will later join her mother and father in Lincoln, Ill. She was a supporter of animal rescue organizations. Memorials may be made to: Hospice Hearts, PO Box 91, Thomasboro, IL 61878.

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**Deceased Name: Joe E. Mason 1956 - 2016**

*Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - December 9, 2016*

• Section: Obituaries

Joe E. Mason 1956 - 2016 MT. PULASKI, IL - Joe E. Mason, 60, of Mt. Pulaski, passed away December 7, 2016 at his home. Visitation will be from 11 AM -1 PM Tuesday, December 13, 2016 at Holland Barry & Bennett Funeral Home. Funeral services will follow at 1 PM also at the funeral home with Pastor Larry Crawford officiating. Burial will be in Mt. Pulaski Cemetery. Joe was born October 3, 1956 in Peoria County, IL., the son of William H. and Verna (Stoll) Mason. He married Lisa (Steffens) Horath on December 22, 1994 in Buffalo, IL. Joe was a farmer. He was a member of Logan County Ducks Unlimited. He enjoyed boating, fishing, being outdoors, riding motorcycles and 4 wheelers, and gambling. He was always willing to lend a helping hand to anyone that needed it. Survivors include: his mother Verna Stoll of Lincoln; wife Lisa Mason of Mt. Pulaski; children: April (James) Breedwell of New Holland, Dawn Mason of Lincoln, Tanya Mason (Frank Spinner) of Chestnut, Lindsey (DJ) Maxheimer of Lincoln, and Lacey Horath of Lincoln; grandchildren: Dustin, Alexis, Damian, Caleb and Bradley; and good friend Lynn (Judy) Haseley of Lincoln. He is also survived by many friends and extended family members. He was preceded in death by his father. Memorial donations may be made to the family, Logan County Ducks Unlimited, or Special Olympics and will be accepted at the funeral home.

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**Deceased Name: Nancy Edna Reese**

*Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - December 12, 2016*

• Section: Obituaries

Nancy Edna Reese 1937 - 2016 LINCOLN, IL - Nancy Edna Reese, 79, passed away at 5:20 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 9, 2016, at Memorial Medical Center in Springfield surrounded by her loving family. Nancy was born Sept. 21, 1937, in Herrin, Ill., daughter of Lawrence and Audrey (Starnes) Benedict. She married Wallace H. Reese on Oct. 16, 1954, in Chester, Ill. He survives her. Also surviving are her children: Scott (Lisa) Reese of Springfield, Ill., David Reese of Lincoln, Ill., Richard (Carol) Reese of Springfield, and Kenneth (Celista) Reese of Elkhart, Ill.; five grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents and one son, Martin Reese. Nancy was a member of The Lincoln Christian Church, the Red Hats, and The Relay For Life of Logan County where she was announced the oldest breast cancer survivor in Logan County, Ill. She enjoyed singing and performed in Harmony First, a chorus group in Springfield, Ill.; she also enjoyed oil painting. Services will be at 10:00 a.m., Thursday, Dec. 15, 2016, at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln, Ill., with Ron Otto officiating. Visitation will be from 4-7 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 14, 2016, also at the funeral home. Burial at Oak Ridge Cemetery in Springfield will follow the service. Memorials may be made in Nancy's name to: Logan County Relay For Life, or Lincoln Christian Church.

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## Deceased Name: Helen Taft 1956 - 2016

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• Section: Obituaries

Helen Taft 1956 - 2016 LINCOLN, IL - Helen Taft, 60, of Lincoln, passed away Monday, Dec. 12, 2016, at her home in Lincoln. Helen was born July 24, 1956, in Lincoln, Ill., the daughter of Thomas Eldon and Helen (Wade) Frye. Helen is survived by her son, Tommy Joseph Taft of DuPont, Wash.; sister, Mary Ellen Frye of Lincoln; and brothers: Robert Alan Frye of Lincoln, Charles Lee Grimsley of Springfield, and John Stanley Grimsley of Lincoln. She was preceded in death by her parents; son, Toby Allen William Taft; sister, Kandy Ann Frye; and brother, Joseph John Grimsley. Helen was a member of Lincoln Christian Church. She truly loved going to The Festival of Lights in Peoria. Helen also loved nature, going for walks and music. Services for Helen will be held at 11 a.m., Friday, Dec. 16, 2016, at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln, Ill., with Ron Otto officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service from 10-11 a.m. Memorial donations may be made in Helen's name to: Lincoln Christian Church.

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## Deceased Name: Myrl Harm Terviel 1927 - 2016

*Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - December 13, 2016*

• Section: Obituaries

Myrl Harm Terviel 1927 - 2016 EMDEN, IL - Myrl Harm Terviel, 89, of Emden, passed away at 2:08 p.m., Monday, Dec. 12, 2016, at his home. He was born July 31, 1927, in rural Emden to Harry Fred and Anna Fink Terviel. Surviving are four cousins: Carolyn McMath, Loretta Hellman, Etta Short, and Ruth Aper; many great-cousins; and a special friend, Wilmadean Habberfield. He was preceded in death by his parents. Myrl was a lifelong farmer. He was a member of St. Peter Lutheran Church in Emden, where he was confirmed on April 6, 1941. He enjoyed restoring antique tractors, collecting toy tractors, and traveling. His funeral will be at 10:30 a.m., Thursday, Dec. 15, 2016, at Davis-Oswald Funeral Home in Delavan. Pastor John Schurter will officiate. Visitation will be one hour before the service at the funeral home. Burial will be at Hartsburg Union Cemetery. Memorials may be made to: Emden Rescue Squad. To express condolences online, visit [www.davisoswaldfh.com](http://www.davisoswaldfh.com).

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## Deceased Name: Kayla Rennee Horney Mehan 1989 - 2016

*Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - December 15, 2016*

• Section: Obituaries

Kayla Rennee Horney Mehan 1989 - 2016 LINCOLN, IL - Kayla Rennee Horney Mehan, 27, of Lincoln, passed away December 14, 2016 at St John's Hospital, Springfield. Cremation rites have been accorded by Holland Barry & Bennett Funeral Home. A memorial visitation will be from 5-7 PM Monday, December 19, 2016 at Holland Barry & Bennett Funeral Home. Memorial services will follow at 7 PM also at the funeral home. Kayla was born November 4, 1989 in Lincoln, the daughter of Michael Horney and Tammy (Jackson) Byrne. She was a CNA and was formerly employed at Symphony of Lincoln. She enjoyed makeup, coloring her hair in a variety of colors, music, and being with her children. Surviving are her parents Michael Horney of Lincoln, Tammy (Chad) Byrne of Lincoln; her children Ariyan and Adahlia Mehan, and her siblings Amy (Jerome) Thines of IN., Serena (Kyle) Livingston of FL., Tabitha Horney (Dustin Adams) of Lincoln, and Rachel (Bo) Buckley of Lincoln. She was preceded in death by her grandparents. Memorial donations may be made to the family and will be accepted at the funeral home.

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**Deceased Name: Elsie Lou Schuttler 1920 - 2016**

*Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - December 16, 2016*

• Section: Obituaries

Elsie Lou Schuttler 1920 - 2016 LINCOLN, IL - Elsie Lou Schuttler, 96, passed away at 7:25 on December 15, 2016 at Christian Village of Lincoln. Elsie was born on June 10, 1920 in Tremont, IL; daughter of Louis and Elizabeth (Siebenthal) Moser. She married Marvin H. Schuttler on February 9, 1944 in Pekin, IL. He preceded her in death in 1975. Surviving Elsie are her children: Marsha (Mike) Menzel of Williamsville, IL and Margie (Lynn) Sheley of Lincoln, IL; two sisters: Wilma (Don) Nafziger of Delavan, IL and Vera (Bob) Boyer of Yates City, IL; one brother: Roland (Jera) Moser of Burkeville, TX; one sister-in-law: Barbara Moser; five grandchildren: Jake (Lauren) Sheley, Luke (Jessica) Sheley, Annie (Daren) Kowieski, Dane Menzel, and Cole Menzel; one great granddaughter: Violet Sheley. She was preceded in death by her parents, one brother, one sister, and one brother-in-law. Elsie was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Lincoln, The Ruth Circle, Quilters at Heart, and she did volunteer at the Pink Shutter in Lincoln, IL. Services for Elsie will be 11:00 a.m. Wednesday December 21, 2016 at the First United Methodist Church in Lincoln, IL with Rev. Brad Curtis officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service also at the church. A graveside service will be held at 2:00 p.m. December 21, 2016 at Apostolic Christian Cemetery in Tremont, IL. Memorials may be made in Elsie's name to The First United Methodist Church, American Cancer Society, or donor's choice. Services are entrusted to Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln, IL.

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## Deceased Name: William E. Pinney 1959 - 2016

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• Section: Obituaries

William E. Pinney 1959 - 2016 LINCOLN, IL - William E. Pinney, 57, of Lincoln, died on Thursday, December 15, 2016, at 9:55 p.m. in the emergency room of Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital. Visitation will be held from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 18, 2016 at Peasley Funeral Home in Lincoln. Funeral services will be held at 5:00 p.m. with Rev. Larry Crawford officiating. William Edward Pinney was born July 11, 1959, in Lincoln, the son of James E. and Joyce Smith Pinney. He was united in marriage with Susan Musick on October 18, 1980. She survives. Also surviving are: one son, Jacob Pinney of Lincoln; one brother: Jim (Becky) Pinney of Atlanta; two sisters: Debbie Pinney Maaks and Darla Pinney, both of Lincoln. He was preceded in death by his grandparents and best friends: Arthur Park and Jim Bode. Bill graduated from Lincoln Community High School in 1977 and was an independent over the road truck driver. He was never a "Twitterface" and never set foot in the Lincoln SuperWal-mart. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society. Final arrangements are entrusted with Peasley Funeral Home of Lincoln.

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## Deceased Name: Rebecca Rose Brumett Phillips 1929 - 2016

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Rebecca Rose Brumett Phillips 1929 - 2016 UNICOI, TN - Rebecca (Becky) Rose Brumett Phillips, daughter of Harry Garland Brumett and Daisy Ellen McGinnis Brumett, was born in Sullivan Indiana, on May 6, 1929. On December 13, 2016, at her home in Unicoi, TN, she passed away following a lengthy illness. She was preceded in death by her husband, Dr. G. Richard Phillips, two older brothers, Thomas Dizney and Joe Wayne Brumett and a sister, Naomi Ruth Brumett Turpen. After she completed high school in 1947, she attended and graduated from what is now called Lincoln Christian University in Lincoln, Illinois. She met her future husband, Dr. G. Richard (Dick) Phillips while attending, and they were married on December 20, 1951. This would have been their 65th wedding anniversary. Their son, Dr. Richard W., was born late in 1952, and their daughter, Jane Ellen, followed in 1958. Becky began the role of "Preacher's wife" in Nebo, Illinois and then in Boswell, Indiana. She worked as a Veterinarian's Assistant while Dick continued his education at Butler University in Indianapolis. In late 1957, the family moved to East Ridge (Chattanooga), TN, for ministry to East Ridge Christian Church. She served as church secretary there, and played piano/led the singing. During this time, she received her Master's Degree in Education from the University of Chattanooga (now UTC), and began her teaching career at East Ridge High School. While there, she wrote the school's alma mater, which is still used today. In 1962, Dick was called to the faculty of Lincoln Christian Seminary. Becky began teaching at Springfield High School, and later at Central Elementary School in Lincoln. In 1967, the family moved to Johnson City, so that Dick could serve on the faculty of Milligan College. Becky taught school at Rock Creek Elementary in Erwin, and at South Side School in Johnson City until her retirement. Becky was a strong advocate for her profession, being President of the Johnson City Education Association, and being named "Teacher of the Year" for Johnson City in 1985. Besides her teaching career, Becky enjoyed her hobbies of macramé, painting, traveling, playing the piano/organ (teaching her children and grandchildren), hand bells and many other crafts. Becky was a warm and loving mother, grandmother and great grandmother. She was an active participant of Grandview Christian Church, where she would have been a member for 50 years in 2017. She played the piano and organ there for many years, and led the Calling Group to visit and encourage homebound members of the congregation. Becky is survived by son Richard W. (Lucy) of Unicoi, TN, daughter Jane Ellen, Staten Island, NY, four grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren. Children of son Richard W. include Melissa Phillips Reading (Jon); Richard J. (Ashley), and Sarah E. Etolia Brooke Fisher is the daughter of daughter Jane Ellen. Great grandchildren are Caroline Phillips, Savanna Torres, Logan Reading, Brynn Reading, Meadow Phillips and Willow Phillips. Services will be held at Grandview Christian Church on Friday, December 16, 2016 at 6:00PM, with a two-hour visitation immediately prior (4-6). Graveside service and burial will be at the Atlanta Cemetery in Atlanta, IL on Monday, December 19th at 1:30 PM. In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be made to The G. Richard and Rebecca R. Phillips Faculty Development Funds at either Milligan College (P.O. Box 750, Milligan College, TN 37682) or Emmanuel Christian Seminary at Milligan College (One Walker Drive, Johnson City, TN 37601). Memories and condolences may be shared with the family at [www.appfh.net](http://www.appfh.net). Appalachian Funeral Home and Cremation Services, 800 E. Watauga Ave., Johnson City, TN, is serving the Phillips family.

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**Deceased Name: Don Hanes 1938 - 2016**

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Don Hanes 1938 - 2016 MCLEAN, IL - Don Hanes, 78, of McLean, passed away at 3:23 p.m. on Wednesday, December 14, 2016, at OSF St. Joseph Medical Center Emergency Room in Bloomington. At his request, there will be no visitation and funeral services will be private, for close family and friends, from 1:00 p.m. until 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 20, 2016 at Funks Grove Church in Funks Grove. Burial will follow in Funks Grove Cemetery. Don was born August 26, 1938, in Bloomington, the son of Delmar and Louise Hoyer Hanes. He married Wanda Hopwood on April 5, 1958, at St. Patrick's Rectory in Lincoln. Don is survived by his wife, Wanda; one son, Mark (Cathy) Hanes of Hudson; one daughter, Penny (Steve) Billington of Hubert, NC; five grandchildren: Amanda (Allan) Erickson, ID, Amber (Justin) Meyers, Bloomington, Jami (Mike) Welch, MO, Taylor Hanes, Bloomington, and Delanie Hanes, Normal; eleven great-grandchildren; and several cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents and his only grandson, Jesse Edward "J.R." Conn of MO. Don belonged to Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Bloomington. He was an avid NASCAR fan, motorcycle and classic car enthusiast. He won several trophies at car shows with his 1950 Chevrolet, which he completely restored himself, and his 1949 restored Chevrolet, with which he won Best of Show at Clinton, the last show he attended. They were his pride and joy, along with his family. He will be missed. After both retired, Don and Wanda spent their winters in Florida and made many friends there. Memorials may be made to Mt. Hope-Funks Grove Fire and Rescue Department in McLean. Final arrangements are entrusted with Quiram-Peasley Funeral Home in Atlanta.

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## Deceased Name: Douglas D. DeMay 1965 - 2016

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Douglas D. DeMay 1965 - 2016 LINCOLN, IL - Douglas D. DeMay, 51, of Lincoln, passed away at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, Dec. 16, 2016, at the University of Chicago Medicine in Chicago. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10 a.m. on Thursday Dec. 22, 2016, at Holy Family Catholic Church in Lincoln with the Rev. Jeffrey G. Laible officiating. Visitation will be held from 4-7 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 21, 2016, at Holy Family Catholic Church. An Elk's Memorial Ceremony will be held following the visitation. Additional visitation will be held from 3-6 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 26, 2016, at Rux Funeral Home in Kewanee. Burial will at Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Kewanee at a later date. Douglas Dean DeMay was born Aug. 28, 1965, in Kewanee, Ill., the son of George Peter and Berneice Kay Van Pratt DeMay. He is survived by his parents of Kewanee; two brothers, Brad (Jackie) DeMay of Kewanee, and Rod DeMay of California; one nephew, Jonathan DeMay; one niece, Amanda Clementz; and special friend, Don Peasley. He was preceded in death by his grandparents and aunt, Mary King. Doug graduated from Kewanee High School in 1983 and then received his bachelor of science degree from Northern Illinois University in 1987. He served in the Illinois National Guard. Doug is the owner of Investment Center of Lincoln. He is a member of Holy Family Catholic Church, where he served as an Usher and WATCH program, 3rd and 4th Degree Knight of Council #1250; member of Lincoln/Logan County Chamber of Commerce, serving as an Ambassador (Red Coat), receiving the Ambassador of the Year Award in 2014; Elks Lodge #914 Exalted Ruler in 1998/1999; Lincoln Masonic Lodge #210; Ansar Shrine; Logan Shrine Club; Order of the Eastern Star; Lincoln Rotary (Paul Harris Fellow); Sons of American Legion Post #263; Fraternal Order of Eagles #2708; Toastmasters, Lincoln Lions Club; Anchor Boat Club; Organizer of the Logan County Chili Cook Off; Beason Sportsman's Club; and Chestnut Men's Club. Doug was a certified Kansas City Barbeque Society Master Judge, completing the requirements just this past summer. Doug was an avid NASCAR fan, Cubs fan and Bears fan. He will be missed by his many friends and family. Memorials may be made to: Shriner's Hospital for Children; Lincoln Elk's Lodge #914 Charitable Trust; or Douglas D. DeMay Memorial Fund. Peasley Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements.

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**Deceased Name: Betty Walker 1931 - 2016**

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Betty Walker 1931 - 2016 CARLINVILLE, IL - Betty Walker, of Carlinville, passed away Wednesday morning, Dec. 14, 2016. She was the mother-in-law of Greg DeJarnette, mother of Cindy DeJarnette, and grandmother of Andrew and Caleb DeJarnette, all of Lincoln. Betty was born Aug. 21, 1931, in Decatur, to John and Viola Ryder. She married Harold Walker on April 13, 1952. Visitation will be Wednesday, Dec. 21 from 4-7 p.m. with the funeral at 11 a.m. on Thursday. Both services will be at Memorial Christian Church in Carlinville. Burial will follow at Prairie Lawn Cemetery. Surviving are her husband, Harold Walker of Carlinville; son, Phillip (Carlene) Walker; daughters, Cindy (Greg) DeJarnette, Mindy Eddy (formerly of Lincoln), Ellenor Karrick, Melody Harkey-Dufner, and Marla (Bill) Woolfolk; 19 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; sister, Marian (Roy) Fosnight; sister, Maxine Auton; sister, Erma Flanagan; and sister-in-law, Dorothy Ryder.

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**Deceased Name: Duane Smalley 1930 - 2016**

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Duane Smalley 1930 - 2016 LINCOLN, IL - Duane Smalley, 86, went home to be with the Lord, 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, December 18, 2016 at Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital in Lincoln, IL. Duane was born July 11, 1930 in New Holland, IL, son of Clifford and Evalena Smalley. He married Marjory Ryan on November 8, 1949 in Paducah, KY. They celebrated 67 years of faithful marriage last month. Surviving Duane are his wife; one son: Daniel (Heidi) Smalley of Cumming, GA; one sister: Jean Beyer of Lincoln, IL; and three grandchildren: Luke, Ben, and Libby; several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers, and five sisters. He spent two years during high school in Haiti, MO assisting his older brother, Francis, work a family cotton farm. Duane had a variety of employers in Lincoln throughout his life including Gullett's Greenhouse, Stetson's China Factory, Cutler-Hammer, and Lincoln Developmental Center. He also worked for LPJ Metal Fab, an aeronautical tool and die shop in Gardena, CA from 1953 to 1965. After retiring from L.D.C., Duane could often be seen taking his daily walks around Lincoln or enjoying time visiting with family and friends. He enjoyed many pastimes during his life including coaching youth sports teams, bowling, golfing, and viewing harness races at the State and local fairs. Also, he was happy to live long enough to see the Cubs win the World Series. A celebration of life for Duane will be at 11:00a.m. Thursday, December 22, 2016 at Lincoln Christian Church with Ron Otto and Ryan Edgecombe officiating. Visitation will be from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. prior to the service also at the church. A burial will be held at a later date. Memorials may be given in remembrance of Duane to The Oasis Senior Center of Lincoln, IL and Lincoln Christian Church Jolly Seniors. Services are entrusted to Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln, IL.

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## Deceased Name: Eugene A. Kodatt 1931 - 2016

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Eugene A. Kodatt 1931 - 2016 MORTON, IL – Eugene A. Kodatt, 84, of Morton, passed away at 7:40 a.m. Saturday, December 17, 2016, at Pekin Hospital. He was born December 20, 1931, in Lincoln, Ill., to Helen Kodatt. He married Carol McGee in February 1951 in Lincoln, Ill. Surviving are his wife, Carol, of Morton; two sons, Steven Kodatt of Lincoln, Ill. and Bruce (Teresa) Kodatt of Morton; two grandchildren, Hilary Kodatt and Zachary Kodatt. Eugene was a United States Navy veteran having served during the Korean War. He worked for A & P for 30 years prior to working as a food buyer for Schrivner in East Peoria for 20 years, retiring in 1993. Eugene was a member of Morton Booster Club and he was an assistant scout leader for Morton Cub and Boy Scouts. A funeral service will be held at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, December 20, 2016, at Knapp-Johnson Funeral Home and Cremation Center in Morton. Visitation will be from 9:15 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. Tuesday at the funeral home. A graveside service will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, December 21, in New Union Cemetery in Lincoln, Ill. Memorials may be made to St. Jude Runners' Association. To view Gene's video tribute or to leave an online condolence for the family, visit [www.knappjohnson.com](http://www.knappjohnson.com).

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## Deceased Name: Donald B. Thompson 1959 - 2016

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Donald B. Thompson 1959 - 2016 ATLANTA, IL - Donald B. Thompson, 59, of Atlanta formerly of Rodeo, New Mexico passed away on Sunday, December 18, 2016 at his sister's home in rural Atlanta. Private family services are scheduled. Cremation Rites have been accorded. Donald Bruce Thompson was born in Pensacola, Florida on September 19, 1959 the son of Donald Homer and Elizabeth Wicker Thompson. He is survived by his mother: Elizabeth Thompson of Lincoln. One sister: Elizabeth (Robert) Twyman of Atlanta. He was preceded in death by his father. Mr. Thompson graduated from Lakeside High School in Atlanta, Georgia, Kennesaw College in Georgia and the University of Illinois with a PH.d. He was a Professor at the Arizona State University and Research Scientist at the National Institute of Health. He was also employed as an Estate Manager in Rodeo, New Mexico. Memorials may be made to Memorial Hospice in Springfield. Quiram Peasley Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements.

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**Deceased Name: Patricia B. Laughlin 1927 - 2016**

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Patricia B. Laughlin 1927 - 2016 BLOOMINGTON, IL - Patricia B. Laughlin, 88 of Bloomington, passed away at 12:25 AM on Tuesday, December 20, 2016 at Advocate BroMenn Medical Center, Normal. Pat was born December 31, 1927 in Palatka, Florida, the daughter of Franklin Skidmore and Winifred Edwards Babbitt. She married William E. "Bill" Laughlin on April 29, 1950 in Erie, PA. He passed away February 18, 2012. Surviving are 2 children, Deborah (Steven) Winter, Bloomington and Robert Laughlin, Bloomington; 4 grandchildren, Erin (Chad) Keefe, Normal, Chrissy (Steve) Rustemeyer, Bloomington, Tim (Kelly) Winter, Bloomington, Scott (Ashley) Winter, Davenport, IA; 9 great-grandchildren, Will and Laney Keefe, Drew, Tyler and Allie Rustemeyer, Kenzie and Josie Winter, August and Amelia Winter. Pat was preceded in death by infant daughter Sheryll Anne Laughlin and her foster daughter Luanne Koester. Throughout her life Pat was a very active woman. She was an artist, specializing in knitting and quilting. She was an avid sports fan supporting her beloved Nittany Lions as she was a Penn State grad. In 1986, she won the distinguished Community Service Award for PPG Industries. She was dedicated to taking care of her son, Rob, and did so until the end. They enjoyed retirement in Hot Springs Village, AR. From crafting to supporting charities to socializing with friends and family, Pat will be remembered as a loving, strong, force to be reckoned with! A private family memorial service and inurnment will be held at a later date. Memorials can be made to First Presbyterian Church, Normal. View the obituary and share condolences and memories online at [www.calvertmemorial.com](http://www.calvertmemorial.com).

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**Deceased Name: R. Wayne Kendrick 1926 - 2016**

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R. Wayne Kendrick 1926 - 2016 LAWNDALE, IL - R. Wayne Kendrick, 90, of Lawndale, passed away at 4:50 a.m. on Thursday, Dec. 22, 2016, at The Christian Village in Lincoln. Wayne was born June 25, 1926, in Lawndale, Ill., the son of Herbert Raymond "Ray" and Lillian (Nagle) Kendrick. He married Virginia Fort on March 14, 1953, in Lawndale, Ill. Wayne is survived by his wife; three sons: David (Kathy) Kendrick of Minier, Ill., Wendell (Debbie) Kendrick, and Paul Kendrick, both of Lincoln, Ill.; one daughter, Julie (Dan) Bobb of Lincoln; five grandchildren, and ten great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents and one sister, Janice Altman. Wayne proudly served his country during WWII in the U.S. Army Infantry. Wayne was a lifetime member of The Lincoln American Legion Post #263 as well as a lifetime member of D.A.V. Wayne retired from Operating Engineers Local #965. A private family graveside service will be held at a later date at Lawndale Cemetery in Lawndale. Memorial donations may be made in Wayne's name to: The Christian Village. Services have been entrusted to Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln.

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**Deceased Name: Frederick W. Stahl 1919 - 2016**

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Frederick W. Stahl 1919 - 2016 MT. PULASKI, IL - Frederick W. Stahl, 97, of Mt. Pulaski, passed away at 9:16 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 22, 2016, at Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital in Lincoln. Fred was born on April 12, 1919, in Dunlap, Ill., the son of Louis and Rose (Geiger) Stahl. He married Eleanor Wiesehan on July 18, 1948, in Peoria, Ill. Fred is survived by his wife as well as many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, five sisters and five brothers. Fred proudly served his country during WWII from 1941-1945 serving in Northern Africa, Italy, and Sicily. He was an Alderman under Mayor Frank Altman. Fred was a member and elder of Zion Lutheran Church in Mt. Pulaski. Fred was the operator of Stahl's Hardware and in business with his brothers, Carl and Edwin, at Stahl's Furniture and Stahl's Implement. Services for Fred will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 28, 2016, at Zion Lutheran Church in Mt. Pulaski, with the Rev. Jonathan Buescher officiating. Visitation will be held one hour prior to services from 10-11 a.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 28, 2016, also at the church. Memorial donations may be made in Fred's name to: Zion Lutheran Church & School, Vonderlieth Living Center, or American Legion Post #447. Services have been entrusted to Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Mt. Pulaski.

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**Deceased Name: Roy Smith Baker 1926 - 2016**

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Roy Smith Baker 1926 - 2016 MORTON, IL - Roy Smith Baker, 90, of Morton, passed away Dec. 22, 2016, at OSF St. Francis Hospital in Peoria. Visitation will be from 11 a.m. until noon on Wednesday, Dec. 28, 2016, at Holland Barry & Bennett Funeral Home in Lincoln. Funeral services will be at noon on Wednesday, also the funeral home, with Pastor Lori Harvey officiating. Burial will follow at New Union Cemetery in Lincoln. Roy was born Nov. 1, 1926, in Lincoln, Ill., the son of Roy Edward Baker and Myrtle M. (Smith) Baker. He married Laurel Purviance on Jan. 6, 1952, in Lincoln. He proudly served his country in the U.S. Army from 1954-1956. He was stationed at Fort Sam Huston, 5th Army, G2 in San Antonio, Texas, where he earned the rank of Private First Class. He attended Atlanta and Lincoln grade schools and continued his education at the University of Illinois and Bradley University. Roy was employed at Caterpillar for 44 years, holding a management position for 40 of those years. He enjoyed history and reading about history. He enjoyed building and working with tools, traveling with his family, and being outdoors in his yard. He was of the Methodist faith. Survivors include his wife, Laurel Baker of Morton; son, David Roy Baker Sr., and wife, Janet, and grandson, David Roy Baker Jr., all of Morton; and sister Lois Ann Baker of Carthage, Mo. Memorial donations will be accepted at the funeral home and may be made to: The American Cancer Society, or the organization of the donor's choice.

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**Deceased Name: Raymond E. Ahillen**

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Raymond E. Ahillen 1938 - 2016 THE VILLAGES, FL - Raymond E. Ahillen, 78, of The Villages, Fla., formerly of Bloomington, Ill., passed away peacefully on Thursday, Dec. 15, 2016, in The Villages, Fla. His funeral will be at 11 a.m., Thursday, Dec. 29, 2016, at St. Patrick Church of Merna in Bloomington with the Rev. Gerald T. Ward officiating with military rites accorded by the Bloomington-Normal American Legion Honor Guard. Visitation will be from 4-7 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 28, 2016 at Carmody-Flynn Funeral Home in Bloomington. Interment will be private. Memorials may be directed to: The Community Cancer Center for Cancer Research. Ray was born Feb. 23, 1938, in St. Louis, Mo., the son of William and Helen Mueller Ahillen. He married Barbara Marie Cukierski in April of 1963. She preceded him in death. He married Mary Watterson on June 28, 1997, and she survives. He is also survived by his children: Niki (Charlie) Petersen and Melissa (Brett) Papoccia, both of Bloomington, John (Rachel) Watterson of Springdale, Ark.; his daughter-in-law, Betsy Ahillen of Bloomington; six grandchildren: Tessa Ahillen, Tyler, Morgan and Charlotte Petersen, Kade and Kyla Papoccia, and Casey Watterson; and two sisters, Rita Luecke and Dr. Jean (Tom) Killbridge. He was preceded in death by a son, Christopher Ahillen; three brothers: Robert, William and Paul; and a sister, Miriam Apel. Ray served in the U.S. Marine Corps and received his bachelor's degree in business from Saint Louis University. He worked at Mack Truck Corporation for the majority of his career, where, at 32, he became the youngest corporate vice president. He subsequently became a partner with Norval Stahley at Stahley Truck City until retirement. Ray was a lifelong St. Louis Cardinal fan; he loved to cook, read and play golf. He loved the activities at the The Villages, where he enjoyed the weather, the scenery, and most of all, golfing with his many friends. To express condolences online, please visit [www.carmodyflynn.com](http://www.carmodyflynn.com).

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**Deceased Name: Marvin R. Robinson 1941 - 2016**

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Marvin R. Robinson 1941 - 2016 BEASON, IL - Marvin R. Robinson, 75 of Beason, IL passed away 2:00 P.M. December 26, 2016 at Dr. John Warner Hospital, Clinton, IL. Services will be 10 AM, Friday, December 30, 2016 at Calvert Funeral Home, Clinton, IL with Greg Taylor officiating. Burial will follow at Harmony Cemetery, Beason, IL. Visitation will be 4 – 7 PM, Thursday, December 29, 2016 at the funeral home. The family requests casual attire. Memorials may be directed to the Beason Fire Department, the DeWitt Co. Museum, or the Beason United Methodist Church. Marvin was born July 30, 1941 in Lincoln, IL the son of Vernet and Dorothy (Begolka) Robinson. He married Gail Hynd December 9, 1961 in Onarga, IL. Survivors include his wife: Gail Robinson, Beason, IL; children: Debra Ertl, Clinton, IL and Darvin (Tammy) Robinson, Beason, IL; 2 grandchildren: Ana and Hunter Robinson, Beason, IL; sister, Sylvia Barry, Charleston, IL; brother, Dwayne (Cheryl) Robinson, Champaign, IL; several nieces and nephews also survive. He was preceded in death by his parents. Marvin worked at Revere Copper and Brass for 40 years and was also a lifelong farmer in the Beason area. He was on the board of the DeWitt Co. Museum Assoc. and a trustee of the Beason Fire Dept. Marvin was a member of HPOCA, the Hartland Oliver Collectors, the I & I Antique Tractor and Gas Engine Club, and the DeWitt County Farm Bureau. He was a member of the Beason United Methodist Church. Marvin was an avid collector of Oliver Tractors. Online condolences may be made at [www.calvertmemorial.com](http://www.calvertmemorial.com)

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## Deceased Name: Katherine R. Swarts 1967 - 2016

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Katherine R. Swarts 1967 - 2016 LINCOLN, IL - Katherine R. Swarts, 49, of Lincoln, passed away on Monday, December 26, 2016 at 10:02 a.m. at her home. Funeral Services will be held on Friday, December 30, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. at the Peasley Funeral Home in Lincoln with Rev. Margaret Ann Jessup officiating. Visitation will be held on Thursday evening from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at the Peasley Funeral Home. Burial will be at a later date in New Union cemetery in Lincoln. Katherine Rebecca Russell was born on January 16, 1967 in Lincoln, the daughter of Thomas H. and Helen Virginia George Russell. She is survived by her daughters: Rebecca (Logan) Ramos and Shanna (Shane) Winters; significant other Matt Garrison; three sisters: Helen Louise (Glen) Meredith, Debra (Stacy Boughan) Coons, and Patricia (Brad Centers) Russell; and three grandchildren: Madison Swarts, Kole Winters, and Genevive Ramos. She was preceded in death by her parents and grandparents. Katherine graduated from the Lincoln Community High School in 1985. She was employed by the State of Illinois in the Child Support Division. Memorials may be made to Pets without Parents in Mason City. Final arrangements are entrusted with Peasley Funeral Home of Lincoln.

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## Deceased Name: Edith Mae Keller 1937 - 2016

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Edith Mae Keller 1937 - 2016 LINCOLN, IL - Edith Mae Keller, 79, of Lincoln passed away at 7:54 P.M. December 23, 2016 at Memorial Medical Center in Springfield. Edith was born on July 31, 1937 in San Jose, IL to Koert E. and Flora (Ruben) Bartman Jr. She married Donald Keller in 1960 in Lincoln. He preceded her in death in 1996. Edith is survived by her three sons, Stan Keller, Dale Keller and Doug Keller, her siblings, Marvin Bartman, Ruby (Alan) Nimke and Koert Bartman III, four grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband and one son Stephen. Edith was a homemaker. She loved knitting, doing puzzles, reading, crosswords and enjoyed selling Stanley Home Products and food spices at flea markets. Services for Edith will be held at 11:00 A.M. on Tuesday, January 3, 2017 at Zion Lutheran Church in Lincoln, with Rev. Mark Thompson officiating. Visitation will be held from 10:00-11:00 A.M. prior to services. Burial will be held after the services at Atlanta Cemetery in Atlanta. Memorial donations may be made in Edith's name to the Ladies Aid at Zion Lutheran Church. Services are entrusted to Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home, Lincoln.

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## Deceased Name: James Edward Pinney 1932 - 2016

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James Edward "Jim" Pinney 1932 - 2016 LINCOLN, IL - James Edward "Jim" Pinney, 84, of Lincoln, went to be with his Lord and savior Jesus Christ on Tuesday, December 27, 2016 at his home surrounded by his wife and family after fighting a long hard battle with cancer. Jim was born in Chicago, IL on January 19, 1932, the son of Edward Earl and Gertrude Mary (Dorsett) Pinney. He married Joyce Jean Smith on September 28, 1953. She survives in Lincoln. Jim is survived by four children: Debra J. Maaks of Lincoln, James J. (Becky) Pinney of Atlanta, Darla M. Pinney of Lincoln and daughter-in-law: Susan Pinney; eight grandchildren: Brandi Maaks, Brian (KJ) Maaks, Beth (Jon) Mehn, Amy (Doug) Messerole, Todd (Ashley) Pinney, Laura (Adam) Gillespsie, Corri Taylor, and Jake Pinney. Nine great grandchildren: Emily Jean Maaks, Mayci Grace and Madison Taylor Maaks, Carmon Banning, T.J. Hendrickson, Keagan Messerole, Colton and Dillon Pinney, Zac Mehn, Kennedy Gillepsie, and Melody Mehn, Special friends Pete and Ruth Fredericks, Joan Beckman. He was preceded in death by his son: William Edward Pinney, his parents, one brother: William Earl Pinney, two sisters: Virginia Steffens and Dorothy Ott. Jim was a retired self-employed auto mechanic and specialist. There was never a vehicle he couldn't find the problem with and fix. Jim set up and taught the very first auto mechanics class for Lincoln College at Logan Correctional Center in 1980. He set up several other auto mechanic classes for the correctional centers in the state of Illinois. Jim was very proud of his students' hard work as they became specialists in this field. Jim placed over 32 former residents in positions of this trade and they were successful. Jim was a member and the President of the congregation at Grace Lutheran Church in Lincoln. Jim was an active member of the American Legion Post # 263. He loved his God, his Country and his Flag. Jim served in the U.S. Army from October 1950 to September 23, 1953 in Germany and Austria. Funeral Services will be held on Friday, December 30, 2016 at 3:00 p.m. at the Grace Lutheran church in Lincoln with Rev. Dan McQuality and Rev. Clarence Mankin officiating. Visitation will be held from 1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. on Friday at the church. Cremation rites will be accorded following the service. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made Grace Lutheran Church, 1458 State Route 121, Lincoln, Illinois 62656. Peasley Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements.

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**Deceased Name: Jack J. LaMothe 1926 - 2016**

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Jack J. LaMothe 1926 - 2016 LINCOLN, IL - Jack J. LaMothe, 90, of Lincoln, passed away at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 26, 2016, at Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital in Lincoln. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 31, 2016, at Holy Family Church in Lincoln. The Rev. Jeffrey G. Laible will officiate. Burial will follow at St. Mary's Cemetery in Lincoln. Cremation rites have been accorded. A Rosary Service will be held at 4 p.m., followed by visitation from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m., on Friday evening at Peasley Funeral Home. Jack Joseph LaMothe was born Nov. 30, 1926, in Chicago, the son of John J. and Mary Schmidt LaMothe. He married Ann Huff in Lincoln on Oct. 31, 1959. She survives. Also surviving are their children, Mark (Diane) LaMothe and Amy (Randy) LaMothe Lee; and four grandchildren: Sidney Lee, Kenzie Lee, Shane Gutmann, and Randy Guttman. Jack was preceded in death by one brother, Jim LaMothe. Jack was a 1945 graduate of Lincoln Community High School. After graduation, he served our nation in the Army Air Force. Upon completion of his service, Jack worked at Kickapoo Press and as a movie projectionist while going to school and getting his private pilot license. He graduated from Bradley University in 1955 and worked at Stetsons China. After marriage, he became manager of and flight instructor for the Logan County Airport, until he finally landed his dream job as a pilot for the State of Illinois, where he worked for over 25 years. He was a member of Lincoln Knights of Columbus #1250, AARP, Lincoln American Legion Post #263, and Pine Island Moose Lodge 1954 in Florida. Memorials may be made to: Holy Family Church or Carroll Catholic School. Final arrangements are entrusted with Peasley Funeral Home in Lincoln.

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**Deceased Name: Donna Short 1932 - 2016**

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Donna Short 1932 - 2016 BULVERDE, Texas - Donna Short, 84, of Bulverde, Texas, formerly of Lincoln, Ill., passed away at 9:04 a.m. on Thursday, Dec. 22, 2016, in Bulverde, Texas. Donna was born March 15, 1932, in Waynesville, Ill., daughter of Earl and Christine (Fratz) Rich. She married Thomas Short on Oct. 23, 1954, in Waynesville, Ill. He preceded her in death on Nov. 3, 1995. Donna is survived by one son, Jeffrey (Brenda) Short of Lincoln, Ill.; one daughter, Janet (Rick) Morrow of Bulverde, Texas; one sister, Phyllis Winter of Normal, Ill.; her grandchildren, Adam (Nicole) Morrow of St. Charles, Ill., and Janelle (Daniel) Kachtik of Bulverde, Texas; and one great-grandchild Scarlet Kachtik. Donna was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, and one infant son. Donna was a member of The First United Methodist Church, Ruth Circle, American Legion Auxiliary, The Republican Precinct Committee for nine years, and The Republican Women of Logan County. Donna graduated from Waynesville High School; Donna also graduated from Brown Business College in 1953. Services for Donna will be held at 3 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 6, 2017, at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln with Fr. Dave Klug officiating. Visitation will be held prior to the service from 2-3 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 6, 2017, also at the funeral home. Burial will take place at Zion Cemetery after the services. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to: Central Bark Dog Park, or American Legion Post #263.

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**Deceased Name: B. Harlean Veech 1935 - 2016**

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B. Harlean Veech 1935 - 2016 CORNLAND, IL - B. Harlean Veech, 81, passed away at 10:05 A.M. on December 29, 2016, at Vonderlieth Living Center in Mt. Pulaski. Harlean was born on March 28, 1935, in Lincoln; daughter of John Harris and Anna Elizabeth (Field) Bryson. She married Delmar Lee Veech on October 3, 1953, in Cornland, IL. He preceded her in death on May 26, 2016. Harlean is survived by her children: Marcia (Chuck) Meyer of Indianapolis, IN, Monica Edgecomb of Rochester, IL, and Jason (Annette) Veech of Springfield, IL; her sisters, Sheila (Kent) Anderson of Sunrise Beach, MO, and Carla (Wayne) Clark of Lake Fork, IL; one sister-in-law: Priscilla Veech of Forsythe, IL; nine grandchildren: Amy (Jason) Dumo; Emily (Jim) Willan; Matthew (Julie) Shelton; Casey (Ethan) Murphy; Jenna Edgecomb; Mollie (Sean) Finn; Kyle (Nicole) Veech; Jadon Veech; Gage Veech; five great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband. Harlean began her career after graduation from high school as a bookkeeper at Springfield Marine Bank in Springfield, Illinois. After moving to Florida, she worked as a Teller at Community Federal Savings and Loan Association in Jupiter, Florida. Upon returning to Illinois in 1965, she built a 35-1/2-year-long career as Postmaster for the U.S. Postal Service in Cornland, Illinois. During her latter postal career, she owned and operated Flowers & Fantasies in Mt. Pulaski, Illinois, for seven years. Through the years, Harlean served in many civic and social organizations within her community. During her postal career, she served as: Secretary/Treasurer of the Illinois Branch of the National League of Postmasters; Secretary of the National League of Postmasters' Executive Board in Alexandria, VA; and Director of Meetings and Conventions for the National League of Postmasters for 30 years. She received many prestigious awards during her postal career, one in particular, the Oscar Pogue Award—the highest honor awarded to any member of NLP. Harlean and Delmar enjoyed traveling to many national cities, took many cruises and visited ancestors in Ireland. Services for Harlean will be 11:00 A.M. Thursday, January 5, 2017, at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Mt. Pulaski with Mark Weber officiating. Visitation will be from 4:00-7:00 P.M. Wednesday, January 4, 2017, also at the funeral home. Burial at Mt. Pulaski Cemetery will follow the service. Memorials may be made in Harlean's name to The Mt. Pulaski Christian Church or donor's choice. Serving as her pallbearers are; her grandsons, Kyle Veech, Jadon Veech, Gage Veech, and Matthew Shelton, her grandson-in-law, Jim Willan; her nephews, Darren Anderson and Chad Clark; and her nephew-in-law, Doug Marlin.

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**Deceased Name: Susan J. Semlow 1941 - 2016**

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Susan J. Semlow 1941 - 2016 BOURBONNAIS, IL - Susan J. Semlow, 75, of Bourbonnais, passed away Thursday, Dec. 29, 2016 at her home. She was born Jan. 23, 1941, in Lincoln, the daughter of Harry and Louise Fletcher Hostetter. Susan married Bruce E. Semlow on Aug. 26, 1961, in Lincoln. She was a former employee of Alexander Lumber Company. She enjoyed taking care of her grandchildren. Surviving are her husband, Bruce Semlow of Bourbonnais; one son and daughter-in-law, Kevin and Sherry Semlow of Bloomington; one daughter, Kelly Semlow-Smith of Bourbonnais; one brother and sister-in-law, James and Brenda Hostetter of Lincoln; eleven grandchildren: Corinne (Devan), Hollie (Trey), Emily, Abigail, Annabelle, Mia, J.B., Isaih, Josiah, Kaden, and Lydia. Susan was preceded in death by her parents. Cremation rites have been accorded and a memorial service will be held at American Lutheran Church in Bourbonnais at a later date. Memorials may be made for American Lutheran Church. Inurnment will be held at New Union Cemetery in Lincoln. Arrangements by Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes. Please sign her guestbook at [www.clancygernon.com](http://www.clancygernon.com).

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**Deceased Name: Jack L. Stahl**

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Jack L. Stahl 2016 ALBUQUERQUE, NM - Jack L. Stahl, 82, was born in Lincoln, Ill., and passed away Thursday, Dec. 29, 2016, in Albuquerque, N.M. Jack moved to Albuquerque in 1951, graduating from Highland High School in 1952 and the University of New Mexico in 1956. In 1956, Jack Stahl married Carol Townsend of Odessa, Texas. He taught mathematics at Ernie Pyle Jr. High School from 1956-1959, and then entered the real estate business. In 1967 he was co-founder of Hooten-Stahl, Inc., and he founded The Jack Stahl Company in 1977. He was one of the first real estate instructors for New Mexico having taught at the University of NM Community College (1965-70); the Realtors Institute (1967-73), and an instructor at the University of Albuquerque in Real Estate Sales and Management in 1973. He's a past Director, Treasurer and 2nd Vice President of the Albuquerque Board of Realtors and in 1974 served on the Legislative Committee for the National Association of Realtors. In 1972 he was awarded Realtor of the Year award from the Albuquerque Board of Realtors. A very strong believer in community service, Jack Stahl throughout his extraordinary life had served as a lay member of the Judicial Selection Committee of the NM State Bar, a past Chairman of the Board of Heights General Hospital Foundation, a past member of the Executive Board of the Great Southwest Council of Boy Scouts of America, a past member of the New Mexico Amigos (New Mexico's office Goodwill Ambassadors), a past member of the Region VI Advisory Council of the Small Business Administration, a past Chairman of the Albuquerque Fair Housing Advisory Board, a past Director of the Better Business Bureau of New Mexico (serving as its President from 1973-74) and a past member of the Albuquerque Rotary Club. Jack served with the New Mexico Air National Guard at Kirtland Air Force Base. He was elected to the House of Representatives of the New Mexico Legislature in 1968. He was Chairman of the Bernalillo County Republican party 1971-72, and State Chairman of the New Mexico Republican Party 1975-76. Jack was elected to the Senate of the New Mexico Legislature in 1980 and re-elected in 1984. He served as Chairman of the Corporations Committee and Chairman of the New Mexico Mortgage Finance Authority Oversight Committee. In addition, he was a member of the Judiciary Committee and the Legislative Council. In 1981, he was a member of President Reagan's Presidential Rank Review Board and, in 1987, Jack was elected Lieutenant Governor for the State of New Mexico. Jack is survived by his wife of 60 years, Carol; three daughters: Cheryl Willoughby (Danny), Nancy Dart (Greg) and Kellea Perron (Cameron); four grandsons: Aaron Willoughby, Jared Dart, Samuel Dart and Brent Perron; and two granddaughters, Ashlea Perron and Rachel Willoughby. He is also survived by numerous and very beloved nieces, nephews and extended family. We want to express our thanks to Mike, Patricia, Bobby and Keith, who lovingly helped to care for Jack since his stroke. Jack had a very generous heart and great sense of humor. He was an avid Red Sox fan and loved horse racing. Jack was a loving father, grandfather, friend and will be deeply missed by all who had the privilege of knowing him. He was a proud and longtime supporter of the New Mexico Boys Ranch and the work they do and would request that in lieu of flowers, a donation be made in his memory to: The Ranches, P.O. Box 9, Belen, NM 87002, or Sandia Presbyterian Church, 10704 Paseo Del Norte NE, Albuquerque, NM 87122, or a charity of your choice. Services will be held Saturday, January 7, 2017, 1:30 p.m., at Sandia Presbyterian Church in Albuquerque. Please visit our online guestbook for Jack at [www.FrenchFunerals.com](http://www.FrenchFunerals.com). FRENCH Funerals, Albuquerque, NM | 505-823-9400

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