

Deceased Name: Jordan Brooks

Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - February 1, 2017

• Section: Obituaries

Jordan Brooks 1991 - 2017 ATLANTA, IL - Jordan Brooks, 25, of Atlanta, passed away at 7:20 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 28, 2017, at Memorial Medical Center in Springfield. Visitation will be held from 5-8 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 3, from at the Atlanta Christian Church. Funeral services for Jordan will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 4, 2017, at the Atlanta Christian Church. Pastor Joe Bowman will officiate. Burial will follow at Zion Cemetery in Lincoln. Jordan Lee Brooks was born March 14, 1991, the son of Rodney Brooks and Angie Leesman-Brooks. He is survived by his parents; one son, Abel; the mother of his child, Kayla Bailey; one brother, Caedan Brooks; paternal grandparents, Dan and Linda Brooks; three uncles: Darren Leesman, Keith Brooks, and Brad Brooks; and four cousins: Meagan, Ryan, Austin, and Rebecca. Jordan was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Darrell Leesman and Linda Leesman. Jordan attended Olympia High School and Heartland Community College. He was employed at Eaton Corporation in Lincoln. He was a self-taught musician who never found an instrument he couldn't learn to play, and also had a keen interest in cars. Jordan was a devoted father. He took care of his son every day. Memorials may be made to the Atlanta National Bank for an education fund for his son, Abel. In this tragedy, his family has taken comfort in the knowledge that his life will continue through the gift of organ donation to multiple recipients. Final arrangements are entrusted with Quiram-Peasley Funeral Home of Atlanta.

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Deceased Name: Carolyn Ruth Kolbus 1964 - 2017

Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - February 2, 2017

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Carolyn Ruth Kolbus 1964 - 2017 Bloomington - Carolyn Ruth Kolbus, 52, of Bloomington passed away at 10:43 a.m. on Wednesday, February 1, 2017 at OSF St. Francis Medical Center in Peoria. Her memorial service will be at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, February 6, 2017 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Bloomington with Pastor Thomas Wirsing officiating. Visitation will be from 5:00-7:00 p.m. on Sunday at the church. Inurnment will be at East Lawn Memorial Gardens in Bloomington. Memorials may be made to American Cancer Society or Trinity Lutheran Church or Trinity Lutheran School Building Fund. Carolyn was born on July 15, 1964 in Lincoln, Illinois, a daughter of Donald and Ruth Hahn McCormick. She married Steve Kolbus on July 30, 1994 in Bloomington, Illinois. Surviving is her husband, Steve and one daughter, Kristin Kolbus, both of Bloomington; two brothers, Jim (Sara) McCormick and Mark (Heidi) McCormick both of Mt. Pulaski; one sister, Beverly (Trent) Keller of Bloomington; mother in-law, Bobetta Kolbus; two sisters in-law, Stephanie (David) Opperman of Lincoln and Denise McCormick of Concord, CA and many beloved nieces, nephews and two great nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; one brother, William McCormick, her father in-law, Raymond Kolbus and sister in-law, Elaine Giesecking. Carolyn was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church where she enjoyed being a member of the handbells. She was a member of Mid-State Minimakers Miniature Club and a proud Trinity School mom. Online condolences and memories of Carolyn may be left for the family at kiblerbradyruestman.com.

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Deceased Name: Mina Edith Sampson (Boyer) 1923 - 2017

Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - February 3, 2017

• Section: Obituaries

Mina Edith (Boyer) Sampson 1923 - 2017 LINCOLN, IL - Mina Edith (Boyer) Sampson, 93, of Lincoln, passed away February 2, 2017 at Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital surrounded by her family. Visitation will be from 10 AM until 12 Noon, Monday, February 6, 2017 at Holland Barry & Bennett Funeral Home. Funeral services will be at 12 Noon also at the funeral home with Pastor Jeremy Vance officiating. Burial will follow in New Union Cemetery, Lincoln. Mina was born September 19, 1923 in Middletown, IL, the daughter of Fred and Isabelle Boyer. She graduated in 1941 from Middletown High School as valedictorian of her class. Mina raised her 8 children on her own and often took in washing and ironing and babysat to make ends meet. She set type for the Middletown Ledger Newspaper, worked at Stetson's China Factory, and retired from Lincoln Developmental Center after 25 years of service. She was a Sunday School teacher at Middletown Presbyterian Church and at State Street Baptist Church. She was currently a faithful and beloved member of Park Meadows Baptist Church. She also volunteered at Jefferson Elementary School in the reading program. In her free time, Mina loved to read, work crossword puzzles, go out to eat with friends and family, and spend time with her grandchildren. Surviving are her 8 children: Jackie Welshans of Lincoln; Judy Hambleton of Lincoln; Ron (Karen) Sampson of Lincoln; Roger (Joan) Sampson of Reed City, MI.; Jean I. (Wayne) Mileham of Woodhull, IL.; Joy E. (Dan) Fulk of Lincoln; Julie Barger of Lincoln; and Rob (Laura) Sampson of Pawnee; 24 grandchildren; 37 great grandchildren; and 8 great great grandchildren also survive. She was preceded in death by her parents, brothers Homer and Harold Boyer, sisters Rose Mc Grew and Helen Post, and grandson Paul Mileham. Memorial donations may be made to Park Meadows Baptist Church or to Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital and will be accepted at the funeral home.

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Deceased Name: Diana G. Dixon 1944 - 2017

Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - February 6, 2017

• Section: Obituaries

Diana G. Dixon 1944 - 2017 MASON CITY, IL - Diana G. Dixon, 72, of Mason City, passed away Feb. 6, 2017, at the Mason City Area Nursing Home. Diana was born Feb. 15, 1944, the daughter of Roy and Alice (Gunterman) Close in Lincoln, Ill. Diana is survived by one sister, Loretta Myers; two brothers, Brad (Melanie) Close, and Bryan (Ronda) Close; four nieces; two great-nieces, and two great-nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents. Diana was a member of the Baptist Church. She worked many years at Ainsworth Seed Company. She enjoyed doing agriculture research. Following her wishes, cremation rites have been accorded. There will be no services held at this time. Memorial contributions may be made to: Mason County Pets Without Parents. Hurley Funeral Home in Mason City is assisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences for the family may be left at www.hurleyfh.com.

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Deceased Name: Shirley Jean Allspach 1926 - 2017

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• Section: Obituaries

Shirley Jean Allspach 1926 - 2017 MT. PULASKI, IL - Shirley Jean Allspach, 90, of Mt. Pulaski, died at 7:03 a.m., Saturday, Feb. 4, 2017, at Vonderlieth Living Center in Mt. Pulaski. She was born May 8, 1926, to Royal and Helen Snyder Carter. She married Edward Leigh Allspach on Feb. 26, 1948, who preceded her in death on Dec. 6, 2010. Also preceding her in death was one son, David Edward Allspach, on July 23, 1975. Surviving are one son, George (Karen) Allspach of Mt. Pulaski; four daughters: Kathryn (Scott) Steinfort of Sunrise, Fla., Linda (Dennis) Sheehan of Lincoln, Ill., Jerilee (Brad) Gibbs of Crawford, Colo., and Jo Ellen (Mark) Gilbert of Paris, Ill.; 13 grandchildren; and 24 great-grandchildren. Services for Shirley will be at 10 a.m., Friday, Feb. 10, 2017, at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Mt. Pulaski with Mark Weber officiating. Visitation will be from 4-7 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 9, 2017, at Mt. Pulaski Christian Church Family Life Center. Burial at Steenbergen Cemetery will follow the service. Memorials may be made in Shirley's name to: Vonderlieth Living Center, or Mt. Pulaski Christian Church. Shirley attended Mt. Pulaski High School and Milliken University. She helped at the family businesses, Carter Pharmacy and Allspach Farms. She was a homemaker who always put her family first. One of her favorite things was caring for her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She always had time for everybody. Shirley had a passion for cooking, gardening, helping other people, and was involved in many community activities. In addition, she enjoyed traveling the world with her husband, Ed, volunteering at the Mt. Pulaski Historical Society, and being a part of the Prairie State Model T Car Club, where she played a leadership role for years. Her faith was an important part of her life. She was a supportive member of Copeland Christian Church and Mt. Pulaski Christian Church. Her sweet smile and gentle disposition will be long remembered by all who knew her.

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Deceased Name: Franklin Bruce Graham 1933 - 2017

Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - February 7, 2017

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Franklin Bruce Graham 1933 - 2017 Franklin Bruce Graham, 83, of Niantic, passed away on Saturday, February 4, 2017 at Vonderlieth Living Center in Mt Pulaski. Bruce was born on September 27, 1933 in Mason City the son of Walter and Evelyn Elmore Graham. Bruce graduated from Illiopolis High School and went on to serve in the US Marines for three years. He then worked for Fiat-Allis as an assembler, retiring after 33 years. He was preceded in death by parents; brother-in-law, Ralph Rademaker, and sister-in-Law, Leona Graham. He is survived by two brothers, Walter Graham Jr. of Brush, CO, and Robert Graham of Niantic; two sisters, Bonita Rademaker of Emden, IL, and Shirley (James) Stone of Middletown, IL; seven nieces and five nephews. Visitation will be from 10:00 a.m. until the time of the funeral service at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, February 9, 2017 at Fullenwider Park Funeral Home in Illiopolis with Reverend Brian Minott officiating. Burial will be at 1:30 p.m. at Mason City Cemetery. In Lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to Faith Baptist Church, 875 W. Grove Rd., Decatur, IL 62521. Fullenwider-Park Funeral Home, 432 Seventh St., Illiopolis, IL 62539 is in charge of arrangements. Visit our online obituary at www.parkfuneralhomesinc.com

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Deceased Name: Thomas Hunter 1931 - 2017

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• Section: Obituaries

Thomas Hunter 1931 - 2017 LINCOLN, IL - Thomas Hunter, 85, of Lincoln, passed away at 12:01 a.m., Feb. 8, 2017, at Memorial Medical Center in Springfield, Ill. Thomas was born June 30, 1931, in Lincoln, Ill., son of Samuel Hunter and Ernestine Sparrow Hunter. He married Mary B. McKinney on Aug. 28, 1965, in Lincoln, Ill. She preceded him in death on June 9, 1998. He is survived by nieces and nephews. Thomas was the last of his immediate family. He was preceded in death by parents; one daughter, Cheryl; one sister, Norma; and two brothers, George and Ernest. Thomas was a U.S. Air Force veteran. He was a member of Lincoln Christian Church, and Heritage In-flight Museum at the Lincoln Airport. Services for Thomas will be held at 11 a.m., Feb. 11, 2017, 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. Burial at Zion Cemetery will follow the service where full military rites will be accorded by the Lincoln American Legion Post #263.

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Deceased Name: Mary Leamon 1934 - 2017

Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - February 10, 2017

• Section: Obituaries

Mary "Rose" Leamon 1934 - 2017 MASON CITY, IL - Mary "Rose" Leamon, 82, of Mason City, passed away peacefully with her family by her side on February 9, 2017 at the Mason City Area Nursing Home. Rose was born November 14, 1934 in Athens, Illinois the daughter of Ray and Mildred (Adams) Hamilton. Rose married Ray Leamon. Rose is survived by her children: Rod (Connie) Leamon of Greenview, Jan (Dean) Shafer of Mason City and Joni Leamon of Mason City. Also surviving are 12 grandchildren, 17 great grandchildren, one brother: George Hamilton and one sister: Betty (Jim) Jennings. She was preceded in death by her parents, two sons: Bobby Joe Leamon and Donald "Motor" Leamon, one sister: Darlene Richardson and one brother: Raymond Hamilton. Rose worked at Eaton Corporation for 38 years and at Oney's Deli for many years. Rose was a Cub Scout Leader and a member of the HCE. She enjoyed doing crafts and playing cards. But most of all she enjoyed spending time with her children and grandchildren which she dearly loved. Funeral services held on Monday, February 13, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. at Hurley Funeral Home in Mason City. Visitation will be on Sunday, February 12, 2017 from 5:00p.m. to 7:00p.m. also at the funeral home. Burial will take place at the Mason City Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Memorial Hospice, Mason City Area Nursing Home or the Mason City Community Chapel. Online condolences for the family may be left at www.hurleyfh.com. Hurley Funeral Home in Mason City is assisting the family with the arrangements.

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Deceased Name: Sandra M. Doty 1939 - 2017

Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - February 13, 2017

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Sandra M. Doty 1939 - 2017 LINCORN- Sandra M. Doty, 78, of Lincoln passed away at 3:25 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 11, 2017, at The Christian Village Memory Unit, in Lincoln. Sandra was born Feb. 4, 1939, in Bloomington, Ill., the daughter of Earl and Mabel (Montgomery) Jenkins. She married Thomas H. Doty on June 5, 1982, in Buffalo, Ill. Sandra is survived by her daughter, Valerie (Clem) Martin of Waynesville; son, Mitch (Missy) Graham of Lincoln; brother, Monte (Pam) Jenkins of Bloomington; granddaughter, Shyanne Martin of Waynesville; and niece, Julie Jenkins of Bloomington. Sandra was preceded in death by her parents, and her husband of 33 years, Thomas H. Doty. Sandra worked for Hoagland Transfer in Lincoln as a bookkeeper for many years. She was a longtime member of The Eagles Lodge #2708 in Lincoln as well as The Moose Lodge #1441 in Lincoln. Sandra enjoyed spending time with her family whether it was camping, or watching her beloved Illini. Sandra also enjoyed watching The Chicago Cubs, The Chicago Bears, and NASCAR; Sandra loved watching her soap operas too. Above all else, Sandra loved her family; she will be greatly missed by anyone fortunate enough to have known her. Especially the squirrels that lived near her house, whom Sandra would feed from her hand. A private family graveside service will be held at a later date at Lexington Township Cemetery in Lexington, Ill. Memorial donations may be made in Sandra's name to: The Christian Village in Lincoln. Services have been entrusted to Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln.

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Deceased Name: Leonard E. Manus 1928 - 2017

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• Section: Obituaries

Leonard E. Manus 1928 - 2017 DELAVAN, IL - Leonard E. Manus, 88, of Delavan, passed away at 7:55 a.m., Saturday, Feb. 11, 2017, at Hopedale Nursing Home. He was born March 28, 1928, in Emden, to Wesley and Mabel Eyrs Manus. He married Dorothy VanGerpen on May 20, 1956, in Emden, and she passed away Nov. 25, 2008. Surviving are one son, Brandon "Brad" Manus of Arlington, Texas; one daughter, Sally (Duane) Lessen of Delavan; five grandchildren: Courtney (Brandon) Pyle of Georgetown, Texas, Tatyana J. Manus of Grand Prairie, Texas, Jacob (Kaitlyn) Lessen of Peoria, Justine (Curtis) Dion of Athens, and Natalie Lessen of Delavan; five great-grandchildren; and two sisters, Betty Lessen and Nancy Bammann, both of Lincoln. He was preceded in death by his parents and one sister, Marjorie Douglas. Leonard farmed in the Emden, Elmwood, and Delavan areas, retiring in 1996. He served in the U. S. Army during the Korean War. He was a member of Delavan United Methodist Church, where he served as a trustee, and a member of Tazewell County Farm Bureau Board. He enjoyed square dancing with his wife, traveling, bus trips, and participated in the Greater Peoria Honor Flight in 2013. His funeral will be at 2 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 15, 2017, at Delavan United Methodist Church. Pastor Gene Ramsey will officiate. Visitation will be from 5-7 p.m. on Tuesday, also at the church. Burial will be at Green Hill Cemetery in rural San Jose. Memorials may be made to: Delavan United Methodist Church Monday Meal Program, or Parent Project Muscular Dystrophy. Davis-Oswald Funeral Home in Delavan is handling the arrangements. To express condolences online visit www.davisoswaldfh.com.

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Deceased Name: D. Marlene Howell 1945 - 2017

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• Section: Obituaries

D. Marlene Howell 1945 - 2017 LINCOLN, IL - D. Marlene Howell, 71, of Lincoln passed away at 3:07 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 13, 2017, at Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital in Lincoln. Marlene was born Oct. 13, 1945, in Effingham, Ill., the daughter of Lester and Deloris (Morton) Manuel. Marlene married Ronald Howell on Feb. 5, 1966, in Altamont, Ill. He survives in Lincoln. Marlene is also survived by her children: Marnie (Ronald) Harris of Lincoln, Blaine Howell of Chestnut, and Laura (Eric) Davis of Streator; sister, Florence (Delbert) Mooney of Plainview, Texas; and five grandchildren: Caleb Harris, Daniel Harris, Lauren Harris, Lance Davis, and Holly Davis. Marlene was preceded in death by her parents. Marlene worked for the State Street Baptist Academy. She lived for her husband, kids, and grandkids; Marlene also loved gardening and raising flowers. She loved the Lord and wanted her family to. Services for Marlene will be held at 1 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 17, 2017, at Park Meadows Baptist Church in Lincoln, officiated by Pastor Jeremy Vance. Visitation will be held two hours prior to the service from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 17, 2017, also at the church. Burial will be held at Zion Cemetery after the services. Memorial donations may be made in Marlene's name to: Park Meadows Baptist Church. Services have been entrusted to Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln.

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Deceased Name: Robert Lavon Laramée 1936 - 2017

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• Section: Obituaries

Robert "Bob" Lavon Laramée 1936 - 2017 CLINTON, IL - Robert "Bob" Lavon Laramée, 80, of Clinton, Ill., passed away at 8:02 a.m., Wednesday, Feb. 1, 2017, at St. Mary's Hospital in Decatur, Ill. Services were held Feb. 4, 2017, at Christ Lutheran Church in Clinton, Ill., with the Rev. David Dunlop officiating. Burial was at Laenna Cemetery in Chestnut, Ill. Visitation was held Feb. 3, 2017, at Calvert Funeral Home in Clinton, Ill. Due to Bob's commitment to being a faithful servant of the Lord, in lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations be made to: Christ Lutheran Church in Clinton, Ill., or St. Mary's Hospital in Decatur, Ill. Bob was born Dec. 29, 1936, in Lincoln, Ill., the son of Ed and Verna (Carlson) Laramée. He married Janice Armstrong on June 30, 1957, at First Christian Church in Clinton, after a longer courtship than Bob cared for. They were happily and committed to marriage for 59½ years and were expected to celebrate many additional years together. Survivors include his wife, Janice M. Laramée of Clinton, Ill.; sons: Michael (Lori) Laramée of Ft. Worth, Texas, Alan (Cindy) Laramée of Vandalia, Ill., and Roger (Tim) Laramée of Champaign, Ill.; daughter, Margo (Ed) Hodges of Delavan, Ill.; five grandchildren: Hanna (Gus) Schmillen, Blythe (Nathaniel) Bergstrom, Dillon Hodges, Sam Hodges, and Charlie Hodges; two great-grandchildren, McKay and Westin Bergstrom; and sister, Kathy (Marlin) Roos of Lincoln, Ill. He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Duane Laramée; and twin brothers, Ronald and Arnold. After graduating high school with the last class attending Kenney High School in 1955, Bob was employed as a Layout Developer for Caterpillar in Decatur for 30 years. In addition, he was a longtime farmer and Chester White swine producer and showman within DeWitt County where he was a lifetime resident. Bob was a compassionate, hard-working, generous and faithful husband, father, and grandfather. He enjoyed fishing, chasing a little white ball around the golf course with his buddies, hunting, boating, playing cards with friends and at family gatherings, but most of all he was most proud of his grandchildren and often boasted to his friends. He was an avid Illini and Cubs fan – no matter their record; he also traveled many miles following his grandsons and cheering them in their many sports activities. He was very proud of each of his grandchildren and was known as "Grandpa Bob" by his great-grandchildren who loved and cared for him deeply. Bob was a member of the DeWitt County Farm Bureau, Fire Protection Board, Clinton Country Club and Christ Lutheran Church. Bob's family wishes to extend sincere thanks and appreciation to Pastor Dunlop and to all the physicians, nurses and staff members of St. Mary's who kept fantastic care for both Bob and his family during such a difficult time. Online condolences may be made at www.calvertmemorial.com.

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Deceased Name: Jean Hill 1934 - 2017

Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - February 15, 2017

• Section: Obituaries

Jean Hill 1934 - 2017 ATLANTA, IL - Jean Hill, 82, of Atlanta, passed away at 1:45 a.m. on Sunday, Feb. 12, 2017, at Symphony of Lincoln in Lincoln, Ill. There will be a private graveside service on Saturday, Feb. 18 at the Atlanta Cemetery in Atlanta, Ill. There will be a celebration of life fellowship at 10 a.m. on Saturday at Colaw Rooming House Bed and Breakfast, 204 Northwest Vine St., Atlanta, IL. Pastor Skeet Stibling will officiate. Jean was born March 16, 1934, in Atlanta, a daughter of Edward and Maude Awe Baker. She married Doyle Hill on April 5, 1953, in Atlanta. He preceded her in death on Dec. 9, 1986. Survivors include one daughter, Glenda (Greg) Mears of Saybrook; son, Bill (Laurie Riedle) Hill of Lawndale; son, Mark (Sandy) Hill of Atlanta; eight grandchildren: Brian (Alicia) Mayberry of Atlanta, Michele (Josh) Brown of Clinton, Jammie (Melissa) Hill of Hopedale, Valerie (Shawn Danielson) Hutchcraft of Atlanta, Chad (Kody) Hill of Atlanta, Devon (Jordan) Talbert of Minier, Megan (Micah) Schultz of LeRoy, and Alex Mears of Normal; 15 great-grandchildren; and one brother, Winton Baker of Bakersfield, Calif. She was also preceded in death by her parents, three brothers, and two sisters. Mrs. Hill was a member of Park Meadow Baptist Church in Lincoln. She loved visiting her grandkids, working in her flower gardens and fishing. Memorials can be made to: American Cancer Society. Kirby Funeral Home, 708 S. Main Street, Homer is handling arrangements.

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Deceased Name: George Johnson 1933 - 2017

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George Johnson Jr. 1933 - 2017 LINCOLN, IL - George Johnson Jr., 83, of Lincoln, passed away on Wednesday, Feb. 15, 2017, at his home. Funeral services for Mr. Johnson will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 18, 2017, at Peasley Funeral Home in Lincoln. Visitation will be held from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. on Saturday at the funeral home. Burial will be at Atlanta Cemetery where military rites will be accorded by Lincoln American Legion Post # 263. George was born July 9, 1933, in Atlanta, the son of George and Lena Haas Johnson Sr. He was united in marriage to Phyllis Edwards on Dec. 31, 1966. She survives. Also surviving are one daughter, Georgia (Jim Garbes) Johnson; four stepchildren: Patricia Faye Webb, Lucretia (Gene) Tackett, Michael Ray Webb, and Teresa Kay (Kerry) Crawford; one brother, Raymond Johnson; 14 grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by one sister, Helen Winstead. George served in the U.S. Army and U.S. Coast Guard. He is a member of Lincoln American Legion Post 263 and Teamsters Operating Engineers Local 965. He retired from Lincoln Sand and Gravel. George loved his family and his greatest joy was his grandchildren. He was very proud of being able to go on the Land of Lincoln Honor Flight to Washington D.C. Memorials may be made to the charity of the donor's choice.

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Deceased Name: Laura M. Barger 1956 - 2017

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Laura M. Barger 1956 - 2017 CHESTNUT, IL - Laura M. Barger, 60, of Chestnut, passed away Feb. 10, 2017, at her home. Visitation will be from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 20, 2017, at Holland Barry & Bennett Funeral Home. Funeral services will be Monday at 1 p.m. also at the funeral home with Pastor Larry Crawford Officiating. Burial will follow at Laenna Cemetery in Chestnut. Laura was born Dec. 15, 1956, in Geary, Kan., the daughter of Dwight E. and Mildred E. (Colgrove) Allen. She married James "Jim" Barger on Dec. 23, 1991. He preceded her in death on Aug. 12, 2013. She was an LPN and worked at several area nursing homes. She loved her grandchildren and her dog, Prudence, and was always ready for a good time. Surviving are her son, Shawn Duke; stepchildren, Sonja Barger and James Barger II; grandchildren: Tayleigh, Anayah, Hallie, and Sage; and her friend, Kathi Merreighn. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Jim; and brother, James.

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Deceased Name: David Reece Gee

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David Reece Gee 1947 - 2017 MT. PULASKI - David Reece Gee, 69, of Mt. Pulaski passed away at 11:49 A.M. on Thursday, February 16, 2017 at Memorial Medical Center in Springfield. David was born November 7, 1947 in Lincoln, the son of Raymond L. and Verna (Centers) Gee. David is survived by his daughters, Angela (Brian) Arteman of Bellflower, IL, and Karen (Bob Goodpaster) Gee of Mt. Pulaski, and grandchildren, Nathan Gee, Ben, Lauren, and Lane Arteman. Also surviving are his sisters, Carol Coombs of Lincoln and Jan (Gene) Bowers of Paris, TN. He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Cheryl "Susie" Gee, his brother, Raymond Gee Jr., and brother-in-law, John Coombs. A private family service will be held at a later date. Memorial donations may be made in David's name to The Latham Fire Dept. Services have been entrusted to Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home, Mt. Pulaski.

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Deceased Name: Mary Oltmanns 1919 - 2017

Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - February 18, 2017

• Section: Obituaries

Mary Oltmanns 1919 - 2017 SPRINGFIELD, IL - Mary Oltmanns, 97, formerly of Lincoln, passed away at 9:07 a.m. on February 17, 2017 at Lewis Memorial Christian Village. Mary was born on March 2, 1919 in Decatur, IL; daughter of Floyd Hazenfield. She married Walter Oltmanns on November 30, 1941 in Decatur, IL. He preceded her in 1988. Surviving Mary are her children: Roger Oltmanns of Peoria, IL, Ron (Darla) Oltmanns of Granbury, TX , and Barbara Oltmanns of Springfield, IL; daughter-in-law: Doris Oltmanns; four grandchildren; three great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents and one sister: Belle Spittler. Mary was a registered nurse and worked in Lincoln, IL. She was a member of Faith Lutheran Church, Faith Lutheran Women's Dorcas, Deaconess Alumni Association, and Lincoln Women's Club. A memorial service for Mary will be held at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, February 21, 2017 at Faith Lutheran Church with Rev. Mark Peters officiating. Memorials may be made in Mary's name to Faith Lutheran Church.

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Deceased Name: Barbara Ann Reichert 1947 - 2017

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Barbara Ann "Barb" Reichert 1947 - 2017 LINCOLN, IL - Barbara Ann "Barb" Reichert, 70, of Lincoln, formerly of Virginia, peacefully passed away February 17, 2017 at Memorial Medical Center, Springfield. Barb was born February 3, 1947 in Jacksonville, IL., the daughter of Dareld and Norma (Williams) Ivey. She was preceded in death by her parents. Barb was a 1965 graduate of Virginia High School and married her high school sweetheart, Gary Reichert on July 18, 1965 at Grace Lutheran Church in Virginia, IL, where she and Gary remain members. Barb retired from SIU School of Medicine after 33 years of service as the Chairman & Curriculum Administrative Assistant for the Microbiology & Immunology Department. Barb had been a member of the Lioness Club in Virginia, and is a prior member of the Order of the White Shrine of Jerusalem in Lincoln. Barb cherished her time with family and friends antiquing and attending various hometown festivals. She also enjoyed gardening, cooking, baking and sewing, especially cross stitch. Many of her creations were framed and shared with family and friends. Barb spent many years attending sporting events for her children and later enjoyed attending various sporting events with her family. Barb was known to have a big heart. Over the years, she held a special places in her heart for her pets and an even bigger place for her granddaughter, Addy, whom she adored. Surviving are her husband Gary Reichert of Lincoln, IL; daughter Heather Reichert of Carpentersville, IL., son Eric Reichert of Lincoln, IL.; and granddaughter Addalynn Reichert. Visitation will be from 5-7 PM Thursday, February 23, 2017 at Holland Barry & Bennett Funeral Home in Lincoln with funeral services to follow at 7PM Thursday also at the funeral home. Burial will be at 11 AM Friday, February 24, 2017 in Walnut Ridge Cemetery, Virginia, IL. Memorial donations may be made to Historic Grace Lutheran Food Pantry in Springfield, IL or Humane Society of Logan County, Lincoln, IL.

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Deceased Name: Vicki Kae Kammeyer 1955 - 2017

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Vicki Kae Kammeyer 1955 - 2017 Vicki Kae Kammeyer, 61, of Bloomington, formerly of San Jose, IL, was called to the Lord at 2:45 p.m. on Friday, February 17, 2017 at OSF St. Joseph Medical Center, Bloomington. She was born May 10, 1955 in Lincoln, daughter of Carlyle and Mary Worstall Manus. Surviving are her husband and high school sweetheart, Bruce A. Kammeyer, Bloomington; her son, Aaron Kammeyer, Clinton; one brother, Greg (Rhonda) Manus, Lincoln; two sisters, Carla (Rick) Sellers, Green Valley and Carol (Russell) Hancock, San Jose, IL. Also surviving are her step-mother, Nadine Harvey Manus, Mason City and several nieces and nephews. Cremation rites have been accorded by Carmody-Flynn Funeral Home, Bloomington. A Celebration of Life gathering will be held from 11 to 1 p.m. on Saturday, March 4, 2017 at the San Jose United Methodist Church, fellowship hall. Inurnment will be at Green Valley Cemetery, San Jose, IL, at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Illinois Heart Association or the Humane Society of Central Illinois. To view a complete obituary or express condolences online, please visit www.carmodyflynn.com a href="http://www.carmodyflynn.com" target="_new" rel="nofollow" http://www.carmodyflynn.com /a. br/

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Deceased Name: Richard B. Gleason 1927 - 2017

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Richard B. "Slip" Gleason 1927 - 2017 Elkhart – Richard B. "Slip" Gleason, 89, of Elkhart, passed away at 3:15 p.m. on Monday, February 20, 2017, at Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 8:30 a.m. on Friday, February 24, 2017, at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Elkhart. Rev. Jeffrey G. Laible will officiate. Burial will follow at Camp Butler National Cemetery in Springfield. Visitation will be held on Thursday, February 23, 2017, from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at Peasley Funeral Home in Lincoln. A Prayer Service will be held at 4:30 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home. Richard Bernard Gleason was born June 19, 1927, in Lincoln, the son of James Edward and Irene Hogan Gleason. He married Karen M. Svenson on June 2, 1956, in Elkhart. She survives. Richard is also survived by their children: Elise (Tom) Harms, Theresa (Tom) Moore, Ann Curry, and James (Penny Thompson) Gleason; one brother, Donald Gleason; six grandchildren: Leslie (Chris) Urish, Justin (Sara Daugherty) Anderson, Zachary Moore, Kristie (David Rucker) Anderson, Jaymie Curry, and Meghan Moore; and five great-grandchildren: Brady, J.J., Ayleigh, Chase, and Devin. He was preceded in death by one brother: James Gleason, and his parents. Richard served in the United States Army during the Korean War. He was privileged to take the Honor Flight to Washington, D.C. and was an avid Cubs fan. He was a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Elkhart, Knights of Columbus Council #1250 where he was a 3rd Degree Knight, and Elkhart American Legion Post #616. He farmed in the Elkhart area and served as Hurlbut Township Road Commissioner. Richard enjoyed watching his grandchildren play sports, driving around and checking on the crops, and breakfast with the Veterans. Memorials may be made to the Land of Lincoln Honor Flight or Elkhart Rescue Squad. Final arrangements are entrusted with Peasley Funeral Home in Lincoln.

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Deceased Name: Meredith A. Bohn 1923 - 2017

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Meredith A. "Dot" Bohn 1923 - 2017 MT. PULASKI, IL - Meredith A. "Dot" Bohn, 94, of Mt. Pulaski, formerly of Elkhart, passed away at 5:06 P.M. Saturday, February 18, 2017 at Vonderlieth Living Center in Mt. Pulaski. Dot was born on January 26, 1923 in Lake Fork, IL to George and Margaret (Bryson) Peterson. She married Herman R. Bohn on August 24, 1940 in Bowling Green, MO. He preceded her in death on February 23, 2006. Surviving are her daughter Anita Davis of Elkhart, IL, her son Roger (Diane Gideon) Bohn of Mt. Pulaski, IL, her grandchildren, Kelly (Randy) Bailey of Mt. Pulaski, Kim Beggs of Sherman, Kris (Erin) Davis of Elkhart, Korey (Melissa) Davis of Elkhart, Micah Bohn of Mt. Pulaski, IL, and Sheena Vinyard of Mt. Pulaski, IL; twelve great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, son-in-law: James Davis, and two brothers: Gene and Ray Peterson. Dot was a member of Elkhart Christian Church. She enjoyed gardening and flowers and spending time at family gatherings with her grandchildren and great grandchildren. Services for Dot will be 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, February 22, 2017 at Elkhart Christian Church with Mike Drake and Stacy Popejoy officiating. Visitation was held from 4:00-7:00 p.m. Tuesday, February 21, 2017 at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Mt. Pulaski, IL. Burial at Carlyle Cemetery will follow the service. Memorials may be made in Dot's name to Elkhart Christian Church or Lake Fork Community Center.

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Deceased Name: Larry L. Lohrenz 1940 - 2017

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Larry L. Lohrenz 1940 - 2017 LINCOLN, IL - Larry L. Lohrenz, 76, of Lincoln passed away at his home on Thursday, Feb. 23, 2017. Larry was born Aug. 8, 1940. in Lincoln, Ill., the son of Stanley and Leona (Bentley) Lohrenz. Larry married his high school sweetheart, Karen Newman, on Aug. 26, 1961, in Lincoln, Ill.; she survives. Larry is also survived by his children: Eric Lohrenz, Todd (Lynn) Lohrenz, and Michelle (Glenn) Putnal; his brother, David (Sheila) Lohrenz; and his grandchildren: Courtney Lohrenz, Evan Lohrenz, MacKenzie Putnal, Glenn "Bro" Putnal, Cooper Putnal, and Mallory Putnal. Larry was preceded in death by his parents and his twin sister, Linda Robinson. Larry was a member of Holy Family Church in Lincoln. He was a carpenter by trade; he lived with his family for over 40 years in the house that he built. Larry retired from Logan Correctional Center as a carpenter. He had a true passion for woodworking; he enjoyed making many different pieces of furniture and loved all kinds of music. Larry also served as a member of the Carroll Catholic School Board. Services for Larry will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 25, 2017, at Holy Family Church in Lincoln, with the Rev. Jeffrey Laible officiating. Visitation will be held two hours prior to the service from 9-11 a.m., also at the church. Burial will take place at St. Mary's Cemetery in Lincoln following the service. Memorial donations may be made in Larry's name to: Carroll Catholic School, or Holy Family Parish. Services have been entrusted to Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln.

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Deceased Name: Irene Tumilty

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Irene Tumilty 1922 - 2017 LINCOLN, IL - Irene Tumilty, 94, of Lincoln, passed away at 5:30 p.m. on Feb. 22, 2017, at The Christian Village. Irene was born on July 22, 1922, in Atlanta, Ill., daughter of Emiel J. and Anna P. (Ludlam) Deiss. Irene is survived by her children: Jerrie A. (Robert) Pharis of Lincoln, Ill., Donald Faye of Ottawa, Ill., and Carole S. (Tony) Whitaker of Addison; 10 grandchildren: Mark (Dawn) Pharis, Pamela (Steve) Kelly, Cynthia (Robert III) Guy, Amy Addante, Nicholas Addante, Michael Addante, Cade Whitaker, Braden Whitaker, Teagan Whitaker, and Cami Whitaker; and two great-grandchildren, Taylor Guy and Bobby Guy IV. She was preceded in death by her parents; one brother, Carl Deiss; and sister, Mildred Deiss. Irene was a member of the L.C.H.S. Class of 1940. Irene graduated from Illini Beauty College in Urbana, Ill.; owned and operated her own beauty salon for several years; purchased a Baskin-Robbins Store; retired in 1988; returned to Lincoln. She was a member of the Lincoln Christian Church; member and past Nobel Grand of Orphan Home Rebekah Lodge; past-president of Rebekah District Asso. #17 of Illinois; past-president of Rebekah District #7; member of American Legion Auxiliary #672 in Middletown; vice-president of VFW #1756 of Lincoln; and member of OASIS Senior Center. Services for Irene will be at 7 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 28, 2017, at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln, Ill., with Ryan Edgecombe officiating. Visitation will be two hours prior to service from 5-7 p.m., also at the funeral home. Memorials may be made in Irene's name to: Senior Oasis Center, or Ottawa Kanthak House.

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Deceased Name: Michael G. Franz 1951 - 2017

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Michael G. Franz 1951 - 2017 NEW HOLLAND, IL - Michael G. Franz, 65, of New Holland, passed away February 21, 2017 at Memorial Medical Center, Springfield. Cremation rites have been accorded by Holland Barry & Bennett Funeral Home, Lincoln. A memorial gathering will be held from 9 AM until 11 AM Saturday, February 25, 2017 at Holland Barry & Bennett Funeral Home. Memorial services will follow at 11 AM also at the funeral home on Saturday with Rev. Don Green officiating. Michael was born May 20, 1951 in Lincoln, IL., the son of Walter R. and Mildred E. (Belcher) Franz. He married D. Sue Lynn on September 12, 1971 in Emden, IL. He was a life long farmer and a member of I Worship Center, Springfield. Survivors include his wife Sue of Sherman ; daughter Jennifer Lynn Warnisher (Clint) of Athens, IL.; son Nathan Michael Franz (Abby) of Savoy, IL.; daughter Megan Sue Solivan (JR) of Bethlehem, PA.; grandchildren: Elaine Warnisher, Chet Warnisher, Nolan Franz, Evan Franz, and Madison Solivan; and great grandson Dale Graff. He was preceded in death by his parents and his sister Suzie Hilst. Memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society and the American Lung Association and will be accepted at the funeral home.

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Deceased Name: Imogene Skaggs 1928 - 2017

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Imogene Skaggs 1928 - 2017 Mt. Pulaski- Imogene Skaggs, 88, of Mt. Pulaski passed away on Wednesday, February 22, 2017 at The Christian Village Nursing Home in Lincoln, IL. Imogene was born October 27, 1928 in Horntown, KY, the daughter of Clovus and Ethel (Fulkerson) Williams. She married Lester Skaggs on April 26, 1947 in Louisville, KY. He preceded her in death on March 23, 2002. Imogene is survived by her daughter, Nena (Tony) Parn of Groveland, IL; her sisters, Betty Whitfill, Shirley (Bob) Jones, and Maxine Bentley all of KY; her six grandchildren; and twelve great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; son, Alan Skaggs; two brothers, Rupert, and Arlee; and one sister, Freda. Imogene was a hard-working woman and an avid gardener; she loved the outdoors. Above all else, Imogene loved her family. Services for Imogene will be held at 12:00 P.M. on Saturday, February 25, 2017 at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Mt. Pulaski, with Pastor Chuck Brannock officiating. Visitation will be held Saturday, February 25, 2017 two hours prior to the service (10:00 A.M.-12:00 P.M.) also at the funeral home. Burial will take place at Lake Bank Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in Imogene's name to The Christian Village or Prayer Shawl Ministry.

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Deceased Name: C. Scott McLaughlin 1975 - 2017

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C. Scott McLaughlin 1975 - 2017 ATLANTA- C. Scott McLaughlin, 41, of Mt. Pulaski, formerly of Atlanta, passed away on Wednesday, February 22, 2017 in Atlanta, IL. Scott was born on August 15, 1975 in Springfield, IL. The son of Glen and Donna (Donath) McLaughlin. He married Tara Krepel on April 23, 2016 in Mt. Pulaski, she survives. Scott is also survived by his parents; his children, Lane, Wade, Luke, Annie, Jenny, and Meghan; and his sister, Lynette (Bryan) Cavinder. Scott was preceded in death by his brother, Matthew Glen McLaughlin. Services for Scott will be held at 1:00P.M. on Monday, February 27, 2017 at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln. Visitation will be held from 2:00-5:00P.M. Sunday, February 26, 2017 also at the funeral home. Memorial donations may be made in Scott's name to The Education Fund for the Children of C. Scott McLaughlin in care of The Farmer's Bank of Mt. Pulaski.

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Deceased Name: Beryle Brouch 1923 - 2017

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Beryle Brouch 1923 - 2017 SPRINGFIELD, IL - Beryle Brouch, 94, of Springfield, formerly of New Holland, passed away Friday, Feb. 24, 2017, at Memorial Medical Center. Beryle was born Jan. 24, 1923, in Mason City, the daughter of Lafe and Ecil Bale. She married Stanley Brouch on July 26, 1941. She was preceded in death by her husband; infant daughter, Jean; and sisters: Faye, Hilda and Wanda. She is survived by: her daughter, Virginia Hughes of Springfield; son, Bill (Mary Beth) Brouch of Pekin; and daughter, Kathy (Steve) Giannangelo of Springfield; brother, Larry (Pat) Bale of Mason City; as well as several grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nephews, and nieces. She worked for the State of Illinois and Lehn & Fink. After retirement, she was a foster grandparent for many years in Lincoln. She enjoyed sewing, cooking, dancing, playing the slots, and traveling. Through the efforts of her niece, Cindy, Beryle was selected to carry the Olympic Torch in downtown Chicago for the 1996 Olympic games in Atlanta, Ga. Visitation is from 12-1 p.m. followed by services from 1-1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 28 at Hurley Funeral Home in Mason City. Graveside services will immediately follow at Irish Grove Cemetery in Middletown. Memorial contributions may be made to: Logan County Humane Society, or Memorial Home Service Hospice. Hurley Funeral Home in Mason City is in charge of arrangements. Visit online at www.hurleyfh.com.

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Deceased Name: Mildred M. Williamson 1922 - 2017

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Mildred M. Williamson 1922 - 2017 SHERMAN, IL - Mildred M. Williamson, 94, of Sherman passed away Feb. 17, 2017. Mildred was born July 31, 1922, in Broadwell, Ill., to Martha and Herman Oltmanns. She graduated from Elkhart High School in 1940. Mildred married Leslie N. Williamson, Jr. at Zion Lutheran Church in Lincoln on Aug. 7, 1955. He preceded her in death on Aug. 31, 2008. Together, they raised three children. Mildred enjoyed her vocation as a wife, mother and homemaker. She was a lifelong member of Zion Lutheran Church. Mildred is survived by two daughters, Judy Holden of Sherman, and Debra (Mike) Grisham of Carmel, Ind.; son, Cliff (Marty) Williamson of Foothill Ranch, Calif.; five grandchildren; and beloved nieces, nephews and friends. Services for Mildred will be at 11 a.m., Friday, March 3, 2017, at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln, Ill., with the Rev. Mark Thompson officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to service. There will be a private family burial at Camp Butler National Cemetery. Memorials may be made in Mildred's name to: Zion Lutheran Church or donor's choice.

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