

Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - April 2, 2012

Deceased Name: Paul Edward Fuhrer

MT. PULASKI - Paul Edward Fuhrer, age 85, of Mt. Pulaski died at 3:35 A.M., April 1, 2012 at Vonderlieth Living Center in Mt. Pulaski, IL.

Paul was **born** on July 29, 1926 in Lincoln, IL, the son of Daniel Jacob and Helen Meister Fuhrer. He was united in marriage to Marilyn Emily Schmidt on November 13, 1946. She preceded him in death on January 15, 1998. Paul is survived by one daughter, Linda (Bruce) Dannenberger of Ottawa, IL, and one son, James (Debra) Fuhrer of Mt. Pulaski, IL, three grandchildren and six great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, wife, and one brother Dale Fuhrer.

Paul was a retired supervisor from Lehn & Fink. He was a W. W. II Army Veteran, a member of St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church in Mt. Pulaski, IL. and the American Legion Post #447 of Mt. Pulaski, IL.

Funeral services for Paul will be held at 10:00 A.M. Wednesday, April 4, 2012 at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church in Mt. Pulaski with Rev. Glenn Fontana officiating. Burial will be in Mt. Pulaski Cemetery with full military rites accorded by the American Legion Post #447. Visitation will be from 4-7 P.M. on Tuesday April 3, 2012 at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Mt. Pulaski, IL. with the Rosary being recited at 3:00 P.M. Memorials may be made to St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church, American Legion Post #447 or to the Vonderlieth Living Center.

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Deceased Name: Jean Carolyn Taylor

LINCOLN - Jean Carolyn Taylor, 68, of Pekin, passed away at 10 a.m. Friday, March 30, 2012 at OSF Saint Francis Medical Center Emergency Room in Peoria.

Born July 26, 1943 in Lincoln to John Behrends and Irma Irene (Groth) Deterts, she married Howard Calvin Teaney on May 6, 1960 in Emden. She later married Bobby Joe Taylor on May 22, 1972 in Nashville, TN.

Surviving are one daughter, Bobbi Jean (Scott) Brienens of Pekin; two sons, Rod Alan (Denise Johnson) Teaney of Pekin and Joey Dean (Billie Jo) Taylor of Manito; five grandchildren, Hayley Brienens, Mariah Teaney, Josh Brienens, Tori Brienens and Brody Teaney; three step-grandchildren, Chris DePeugh, Paul Dowl and Nate Dowl and two brothers, Delmar (Shirley) Deterts of Stanford and Bob (Evelyn) Deterts of Hopedale. She also leaves her cat, Gracie Anne.

She was preceded in death by her parents; one infant son, Ronald Eugene Teaney on September 22, 1960 and one step-grandson, Cory Lee DePeugh on October 23, 2005) and one brother, John Deterts.

Jean worked for Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital in Lincoln in their Housekeeping Department for many years, retiring in 2004.

She was a member of Town and Country Baptist Church in Pekin. Jean was a former member of T.O.P.S. from 1976 to 2009. Jean also loved to fish.

Her funeral will be 10:30 a.m. today (Monday), April 2, 2012 at Preston-Hanley Funeral Homes & Crematory in Pekin. Pastor Timothy F. Ellison will officiate. Visitation will be from one hour before the funeral. Burial will be in Hartsburg Union Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Town and Country Baptist Church, 18443 Illinois Route 9, Pekin, IL 61554.

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Deceased Name: Phillip Paul Baker

LINCOLN - Phillip Paul Baker, age 90, of Lincoln, died at 1:15 A.M. on Saturday, March 31, 2012 at Maple Ridge Care Center, Lincoln, Il.

Paul was **born** on August 13, 1921 in Atlanta, Il., the son of Emery and Pearl Fulk.

He was married to Opal Johnson on July 28, 1946 in Atlanta, Il. She preceded him in death on April 15, 1997. He was united in marriage to Lucille Whiteman on July 8, 2006. They were divorced. Paul is survived by three sons: Terry (Sharon) Baker of Lincoln, Il., Gary (Judy) Baker of Sherman, Il., and Larry Baker of Lincoln, Il., two daughters: Phyllis (Dennis) Welch and Barb Pinkley both of Lincoln, Il., twelve grandchildren, fourteen and three step great grandchildren. He was the last of his immediate family. Paul was preceded in death by his wife Opal, one son, Barry Wayne, four brothers and one sister.

Funeral services will be at 1:30 P.M. on Tuesday April 3, 2012 at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln, Il. with Dustin Fulton officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service on Tuesday. Burial will be in Zion Cemetery, Lincoln with full military rites accorded by American Legion Post #263, Lincoln, Il. Memorials may be given to Jefferson St. Christian Church or to the American Cancer Society.

Paul was a member of Jefferson St. Christian Church in Lincoln. He retired from Lincoln Container in Lincoln and was a door greeter for a number of years at Walmart in Lincoln, Il. Paul was a decorated W.W. II army veteran and had received the purple heart.

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Deceased Name: Marjorie E. Fitzsimmons

LINCOLN - Marjorie E. Fitzsimmons, 90, of Lincoln went to heaven on March 31, 2012 at 10:50 a.m. at Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital in Lincoln.

A Funeral Service for Mrs. Fitzsimmons will be held on Wednesday, April 4, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. at the Peasley Funeral Home in Lincoln with Rev. Jeffrey G. Laible officiating.

A Visitation will be held on Tuesday, April 3, 2012 from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at the funeral home. A Rosary Service will be held at 4:45 p.m. prior to the visitation.

Burial will be in Holy Cross Cemetery in Lincoln.

Marjorie E. Fitzsimmons was **born** on January 14, 1922 in Lincoln the daughter of Barney and Lela Sullivan Maloy. She married Joseph E. Fitzsimmons Jr. on July 6, 1940 in Missouri.

He preceded her in death on February 15, 1983.

Surviving are her children: Diana K(Richard) Jacobs of LaPorte, Ind., James (Wanda) Fitzsimmons, Peggy (Joe) Fitzpatrick, Patrick Fitzsimmons, Tim Fitzsimmons and Laurie Ballard all of Lincoln, Fifteen grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, three sisters: Henrietta Gillard, Mary Aper, Betty Perdue and a brother: Bud Maloy.

She was a member of Holy Family Catholic Church and Daughters of Isabella of which she was a past president.

She worked at as a dietary aide at Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital and at Carroll Catholic School.

She was a wonderful mother and grandmother. She was much loved and will be greatly missed by her family and friends.

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Deceased Name: Archie Lloyd Altman

WOMELSDORS, PA-Archie Lloyd Altman passed away March 20, 2012 in Womelsdors, PA. Archie was **born** February 5, 1917 in Atlanta, IL to Frank and Asenath Morse Altman. He married Esther Mae Carlyle March 30, 1937 in Clinton, IL.

Survivors include son Robert Eugene Altman and daughter Virginia (Vicki) Altman, both residing in PA. Other survivors include brothers Edward Darnell Altman of Manteno, IL and Frank Altman of Fort Walton Beach, FL, sister Eilene Simons of Flippin, AR, several grandchildren and great grandchildren in PA and numerous nieces, nephews and friends in the Lincoln area.

Preceding him in death were his wife, Esther, daughters Kaye and Esther (Bunny), brothers Fred, Floyd, William and Jack and sister Martha Dusenberry.

Following his wishes, no services were held. During World War II, Archie served in the Seebes. While stationed in the South Pacific, he invented a washing machine made of barrels and leftover materials. He was featured in an article in Popular Mechanics regarding his invention. Archie was proud to be a 32nd Degree Mason.

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Deceased Name: Edward J. Blair

MT. PULASKI - Edward J. Blair, 75, of Mt. Pulaski, IL, died at 7:39 A.M. Thursday March 29, 2012 in Pinellas Park, FL.

Mr. Blair was **born** on July 18, 1936 in Springfield, IL to Charles Lewis and Hortence Carter Blair. He married Carlene E. Barnes in 1957. He later married Sharyn Kent Reeder on February 25, 1984 in Mt. Pulaski. She survives in Mt. Pulaski.

Also surviving are six children, Mark Edward (Cindy) Blair of Springfield, Kathy (Rick) Davis of Mt. Pulaski, Karen (Glen) Griesheim of Mt. Pulaski, Karla (Greg) Griesheim of Elkhart, William Kent Reeder of Springfield and Libby (Doug) Cross of Clinton, fourteen grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, step-mother and three brothers.

He farmed north of Illiopolis for over forty years and was a member of Decatur Eagles Corps, Lincoln Elk's Lodge, American Trapshooters Association, Mt. Pulaski Masonic Lodge AF & AM, Mt. Pulaski York Rite, Valley of Springfield Scottish Rite and Ansar Shrine of Springfield.

Graveside services will be held at 10:00 A.M. Thursday, April 5, 2012 at Calvary Cemetery in Illiopolis, IL with Sister Phyllis Schenk officiating. Visitation will be from 4:00-7:00 P.M. Wednesday evening at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home, Mt. Pulaski with Masonic Services at 3:00 P.M. In lieu of flowers, the family respectfully request memorials made to the Mt. Pulaski EMS or the Logan County Humane Society.

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Deceased Name: George Andrew Cypher

LINCOLN - George Andrew Cypher, 83, of Lincoln passed away at his home on Monday, April 2, 2012.

George was a retired business manager at Lincoln Developmental Center, Lincoln, IL. He was a member of Lincoln Christian Church; Oasis-Logan County Senior Citizens Center; and Quails Unlimited.

George was **born** on August 28, 1928 in Whittington, IL the son of Jasphe Nicholas and Eunice Steavens Cypher. He married Irma Kathryn Forsythe on March 30, 1962 in Lincoln, IL. She preceded him in death October 19, 2000.

He married Jean Mellott on April 4, 2001 in Lincoln. She survives in Lincoln.

George is also survived by one daughter: Diane (James) Coop of Lincoln; one grandson: Andrew James Coop; one step daughter: Dorothy Hupp of Lincoln; one step granddaughter: Caitlin Hupp; one step son: Robert Edward (Mary Lee) Hupp, Jr. of Hawthorne, FL; one step grandson: River Hupp and one step granddaughter: Samantha Hupp; one sister: Mary Barton of Benton, IL; several nieces and nephews; and several great nieces and great nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; first wife; and three brothers and three sisters.

Services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, April 5, 2012 at Lincoln Christian Church with Ron Otto officiating. Burial will be in Laurel Hill Cemetery, Havana, IL. Visitation will be Wednesday, April 4 from 4:00-7:00 p.m. at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home, Lincoln, and one hour prior to the service at the church on Thursday. Memorials may be given to Lincoln Christian Church or the Oasis-Logan County Senior Citizens Center.

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Deceased Name: Mary F. Simpson

LINCOLN - Mary F. Simpson, 81, of Lincoln passed away on Sunday, April 1, 2012 at 12:55 p.m. at the Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital Emergency Room.

Private Funeral Services will be held.

Burial will be in Zion cemetery in Lincoln.

Mary F. Simpson was **born** on January 15, 1931 in Broadwell the daughter of Lloyd and Vonnie Thomlin Jones. She married Duane Simpson on December 11, 1981 in Lincoln. He survives.

Also surviving are her children: Linda Friedman of Dongola, Ill., Donna Moore of Roanoke, Ill., Robert Buckles of Lincoln, and Sandra Van Cleve of Lincoln; one sister: Betty Hall of Illinois; seventeen grandchildren, thirty-seven great grandchildren, and six great great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, three brothers, one sister and one great grandson.

She was of the Christian faith.

Memorials may be to the American Cancer Society.

Peasley Funeral Home, Lincoln is in charge of arrangements.

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Deceased Name: Lillie Leontine Hacker

LINCOLN - Lillie Leontine Hacker, 92, of Lincoln, IL passed away at Christian Village on Monday, April 2, 2012 at 4:38 p.m.

Lillie was **born** on July 6, 1919 in Duplissis, Louisiana the daughter of Arthur Roscoe and Ida Elizabeth Daigle Edmonston. She married Marvin Sylvester Hacker on July 3, 1939 in Waverly, Texas. He preceded her in death Jan. 8, 2010.

Lillie is also survived by one son: Marvin Warren (Betty Alice) Hacker of Washington State; one daughter: Maureen Janice "Marty" (Herman) Wibben of Emden, IL; one brother: Murphy Edmonston of Gonzales, LA; two sisters:

Agnes Evans of Chicago, IL; Ida Elizabeth Roddy of Gonzales, LA; six precious grandchildren: Gregory (Dawn) Wibben; Cale (Sarah) Wibben; Lori (Cass) Benner; Robbyn (David) Adlesman; Marvin (Cheri) Hacker; Clinton (Rebecca) Hacker and fifteen great grandchildren.

Mrs. Hacker was a homemaker and a member of the Holy Family Catholic Church. Lillie was an excellent seamstress and loved needle work; she had a passion for gardening, flowers, fishing and playing bridge. She lived in Houston, TX, Glen Ellyn, IL and Brazoria, TX prior to moving to Lincoln.

Services for Mrs. Hacker will be Wednesday, April 4, 2012 at 12:00 noon at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home, Lincoln with Rev. Simon Taabu officiating. Visitation will be from 10:00-12:00 prior to the service at the funeral home. Burial will be in Hartsburg Union Cemetery. Memorials may be given to Friends of The River-San Bernard, Brazoria, TX.

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Deceased Name: Rev. Ray K. Greenfield

LEWISTOWN - Reverend Ray K. Greenfield, age 57 of 508 N. Broadway passed away at 8:45 PM Sunday April 1, 2012 at his home.

He was **born** January 27, 1955 at Norfolk, VA; the son of Donald and Geraldine (Tosh) Greenfield. He first married Susan E. Ozier. He later married Helen K. Ronat on May 7, 1995 at Jacksonville. She survives. Also surviving is his step mother Barbara Greenfield of Vincennes, IN; 1 son Michael (Deejah) Greenfield of Springfield, 2 daughters Meagan Greenfield of St. Louis, MO; and Allison Greenfield of Williamsville, 1 sister Kay Lolling of Lincoln, and 4 grandchildren Zane, Korde, Natani, and Patience. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Ray graduated Magna Cum Laude from MacMurray College in Jacksonville in 2000. He then graduated from the University of Chicago Divinity School in 2003. Ray was the pastor at the Illinois Street Christian Church in Lewistown, and at the Ipava Christian Church. He was a chaplain at Graham Hospital in Canton. He was also the former pastor at the First Christian Church in Rushville.

Ray was a member of the Jacksonville Family Campers Club. He enjoyed music, reading, and fishing. He especially enjoyed his family and his grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 10:00 AM Thursday, April 5, 2012 at the Illinois Street Christian Church in Lewistown with Reverend Terry Foland officiating. Burial will be in Jacksonville East Cemetery at Jacksonville where a grave-side service will be held at 2:00 PM Thursday April 5, 2012. Visitation will be from 5-7 PM Wednesday, April 4, 2012 at the Henry-Lange Memorial Home in Lewistown. Memorial contributions may be made to the Lewistown Association of Churches. To view Ray's Life Tribute Video or send online condolences visit www.henrylange.com.

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Deceased Name: Arthur E. "Pete" Martin

LINCOLN - Mr. Arthur E. "Pete" Martin, of Lincoln, 83, passed away on Thursday, April 5, 2012, at 10:33 a.m. at The Christian Village in Lincoln.

Funeral services for Mr. Martin will be held on Saturday, April 7, 2012, at 1 p.m. at Quiram-Peasley Funeral Home in Atlanta. Pastor John Horner will officiate.

Visitation will be held from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. at the funeral home prior to the service.

Burial will be in Atlanta Cemetery.

Surviving Mr. Martin are his children: Scott (Diane) Martin of Atlanta and Doug (Yolanda) Martin of California, 13 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Pete was preceded in death by his parents.

Mr. Martin was **born** on December 10, 1928, in Lincoln, the son of Willard Mapes Martin. Pete was a graduate of Lincoln Community High School. He served our country in the United States Navy in Korea. He had worked at PPG Glass Works in Lincoln and attended of Park Meadows Baptist Church.

Memorials may be made to the family.

Final arrangements are entrusted with Quiram Peasley Funeral Home of Atlanta.

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Deceased Name: George W. Dahmm

LINCOLN - George W.

Dahmm, 86, of Lincoln passed away at 12:24 p.m. on Friday, April 6, 2012 at Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital, Lincoln.

Mr. Dahmm was **born** February 21, 1926 in West Lincoln Township to Harry Louis and Viola Marie Sahs Dahmm. He married Eva Mae Hunter on January 1, 1951 in Lincoln. She survives.

Also surviving are four daughters, Muriel (John) Barnard of Lincoln, Laura (Charlie) Tomlinson of Beason, Vivian (Gerardo) Valdes of Lincoln, Georgia (Bill) Allison of Lincoln, one brother Wallace (Wilma) Dahmm of New Holland, one sister Harriet (Dan) Hopp of Lincoln, seven grandchildren, Will (Mandy) Tomlinson of Athens, IL, Jason (Heather) Tomlinson, of Lincoln, Lewis (Kelli) Allison of Lincoln, Alejandro Valdes of Lincoln, Fay Allison of Lincoln, Elise Valdes of Lutz, FL, Esther Tomlinson of Beason, Linda(John) Karr of Altus OK, Lisa(Forrest) Bell of Burley, ID, nine great grandchildren, and four great great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents and one daughter Donna Marie.

George was a carpenter with Dahmm Brothers Construction and farmed in Aetna Township and was a faithful member of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Lincoln. Along with his brother Wally he was a coleader of the Handy Andy 4H Club. Current president of the Springfield Ostomy Association. After retiring, he was one of the founding members for Habitat for Humanity in 1992. He served in the United States Army from 1954 to 1956 Funeral services for Mr.

Dahmm will be 10:30 A.M.

Thursday April 12, 2012 at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Lincoln with Rev.

Clarence Mankin officiating.

Visitation will be from 4:00-7:00 P.M. Wednesday April 11 also at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church.

Burial will be in Old Union Cemetery, Lincoln where full military rites will be accorded. Memorials may be made to either Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Springfield Ostomy Chapter the Logan County Chapter for Habitat for Humanity.

Arrangements are being handled by Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home, Lincoln.

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Deceased Name: Charlotte Emma Gerda (Fischer) Tibbs

MASON CITY - Charlotte Emma Gerda (Fischer) Tibbs, 84, of Mason City passed away on April 7, 2012 at the Mason City Area Nursing Home. She was **born** in Brandenburg, Germany on January 5, 1928 to Richard and Charlotte (Nieseke) Fischer.

Gerda left Berlin in 1948 to come to America to marry Homer G. Tibbs on January 17, 1948. He preceded her in death on February 17, 1999. She was also preceded by her parents, a sister; Charlotte Emma Pauline "Lottie" and a nephew David Tibbs.

She is survived by three nieces in Germany; Merika, Petra and Cornelia. She is also survived by nieces and nephews here in the states. Patty (Dick) Sailors of Pulaski, TN, Janet (Vernon) Klockenga, Darrel (Debbie) Tibbs, Dennis (Beverly) Tibbs, Billy Joe Tibbs, plus many more in the Lincoln and Middletown area.

She was a member of the Christ Lutheran Church of Mason City. Gerda worked at Lehn and Fink for 35 years starting August 16, 1948, knowing very little English.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, April 11, 2012 at 10:00 A.M at Hurley Funeral Home in Mason City. The visitation will be Tuesday night from 5-7 also at the funeral home. Pastor John Johnson will officiate.

Burial will be at the Mason City Cemetery. Memorial donations may be left to the Christ Lutheran Church or to the Mason City Area Nursing Home. Hurley Funeral Home in Mason City is in charge of the arrangements.

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Deceased Name: Aurealia "Dottie" Zieglowsky

MASON CITY - Aurealia "Dottie" Zieglowsky, 90, of Mason City, IL passed away on April 7, 2012 at 10:54 p.m. at Mason City Area Nursing Home, Mason City, IL.

Dottie was **born** on September 3, 1921 in Hartsburg, IL the daughter of George and Fannie Crawford Westen. She married Henry C.

Zieglowsky on March 6, 1942 at Blackstone, VA. He preceded her in death in 1998.

Dottie is survived by one son: Larry (Judy) Zieglowsky of Mason City; one daughter: Linda K. (Les) Asbrock of Cantrall, IL; five grandchildren; 2 step grand children; nine great grandchildren and 3 step great grandchildren; several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents and husband.

Dottie and her husband, Henry, farmed in the Mason City area. She was a member of the Rebecca Lodge and Ladies Auxiliary in Emden.

Graveside services for Mrs. Zieglowsky will be at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, April 12, 2012 at Hartsburg Union Cemetery, Hartsburg, IL. Burial will follow. Memorials may be given to the Zieglowsky family. Arrangements were entrusted to Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home, Lincoln.

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Deceased Name: Pearl Mae Schriber

LINCOLN - Pearl Mae Schriber, 80, of Lincoln passed away on Wednesday, April 4, 2012 at 7:45 p.m. at St. Clara's Manor in Lincoln.

Pearl Mae Schriber was **born** on November 5, 1931 in McLean, Illinois the daughter of David and Ruth Wilson Hafley. She married Davy Schriber on March 30, 1948 in Lincoln.

Surviving are her husband of 64 years: Davy Schriber Sr., her children: Karen (Don) Jones, Davy Schriber Jr., Debra (Don) Lolling, Jerry (Vickie) Schriber, Larry (Mary) Schriber, Bobby (Mary) Schriber, Lori (Kevin) Mendenhall, Greg Schriber.

Fourteen grandchildren, and thirteen great grandchildren.

One sister: Leona McCracken.

She was preceded in death by her parents, one brother, four sisters, and one daughter in law: Donna Schriber.

She held her family in the highest regard.

At her request a private family service was held with her family.

Memorials may be made to the Easter Seals.

Peasley Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

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Deceased Name: Lois Abbey Meyers

MT. PULASKI - Lois Abbey Meyers, 85, died on April 6, 2012 at Lewis Memorial Christian Village Springfield, IL at 8:53 P.M.

Lois was **born** on August 17, 1926 in Algonac, Michigan, daughter of Leon Joseph and Gladys Lucille Jackson Viger. She married Robert Abbey on February 2, 1946. She later married Col. John Meyers on November 29, 1978. He preceded her in death on February 23, 1994.

Lois is survived by three daughters, Sherry Abbey (Lacy) Hall of Elkhart, Lesa Abbey Jackson of Mt.

Pulaski, and Debra Abbey (Steve) Ormord of New Mexico, two sisters, Sarah Appelman and Charlotte Taylor, and one brother Leon (Thelma) Viger all of Algonac, Michigan, seven grandchildren and twenty three great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one sister Mary Lewis.

Lois was a member of Elkhart Christian Church, The Daughters of the British Empire and Algonac Clay Historical Society.

The Resurrection Service for Lois will be 11:00 A.M.

Saturday, April 14, 2012 at Elkhart Christian Church with Michael Drake and Robert Twist officiating.

Visitation will be from 9:30-11:00 A.M. prior to the service. Burial will be at Elkhart Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Elkhart Christian Church Missions. Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home, Lincoln is handling arrangements.

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Deceased Name: Bruce McIntire

LINCOLN - Bruce McIntire, 86, of Lincoln, Ill., formerly of New Haven, IN, died Monday, April 9, 2012 at The Christian Village, Lincoln, Ill.

Born in Boone Co., Indiana he was the son of the late Norman McIntire and Evelyn Lee. He was a former member of Colony Heights Church of Christ.

The WWII Army veteran was a member of American Legion Post #201, was an aquatic therapy instructor for the Red Cross, and a swimming instructor at Park Hill School. He retired in 1979 from Preferred Risk Insurance after 16 years of service.

Bruce is survived by his wife of 8 years, Drucilla "Kitty" McIntire; children Viann (Mark) Ellsworth of New Haven, David (Judy) McIntire of South Bend, Maribeth (Walter) Brown of Churubusco, Lorraine (David) Smith and John (Carol) McIntire both of Fort Wayne; five step children; sister, Ann Lewis of Anderson; half-siblings, Nancy (David) Fleming and Dale McIntire both of California; 18 grandchildren; eight great grandchildren.

He was also preceded in death by 1st wife of 53 years, Ruth Ann in 2002; daughter Diann; and sister, Mary Lou Harless.

Funeral service is 10 a.m.

Friday, April 13, 2012 at E.

Harper & Son Funeral Home, 740 St. Rd. 930 E., New Haven, IN. Pastor Kevin Duval officiating.

Calling is 4 to 8 p.m.

Thursday, April 12, 2012 at the funeral home. Burial in I.O.O.F. Cemetery, New Haven with military honors.

Preferred memorials are to the Cancer Service of Northeast Indiana or Multiple Sclerosis Society.

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Deceased Name: James "Buddy" Babbs

LINCOLN - James "Buddy" Babbs, 73, of Lincoln passed away at 10:17 a.m. on April 8, 2012 at Maple Ridge Health Care Centre, Lincoln.

Buddy was **born** on January 12, 1939 in Wade Township, Newton, IL the son of James and Agnes L.

Huskins Babbs.

Buddy is survived by three sons: Robert Fredrick (Debbie) Babbs of Lincoln; James A. Babbs of Bloomington, IL and Donald (Cindy) Babbs of Hubert, N.C.; one daughter: Barbara Babbs of Michigan; Six brothers and sisters:

Robert (Debbie) Eckert; Danny (Anna) Eckert); Joyce (Marvin) Oltmanns; Nancy (Louis) Farkas; Mary (Matt) Mason, all of Lincoln; Judy (Chuck) Barkley of Virginia Beach, VA; nine grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents; his father: Donald Eckert; son (Darrin L.

Babbs) and granddaughter (Rachelle Babbs) and one great nephew.

Buddy was retired in maintenance at Lincoln Developmental Center, Lincoln and Caterpillar Tractor Co., Peoria, IL. Mr.

Babbs was a member of Lincoln Christian Church.

He was an avid Cardinal fan.

Services will be held on Friday, April 13, 2012 at 10:30 a.m. at Fricke-Calvert - Schrader Funeral Home, Lincoln with Ron Otto officiating.

Burial will be in New Union Cemetery, Lincoln.

Visitation will be Thursday from 4:00-7:00 p.m. at the funeral home.

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Deceased Name: Virgil W. McCann

LINCOLN - Virgil W.

McCann, 88, of Lincoln died at 3:30 p.m. on April 9, 2012 at Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital, Lincoln.

Virgil was **born** on March 3, 1924 in Bryant, IL the son of Willard Clinton and Goldie Mae Pollitt McCann.

He married Norma Sappington on April 5, 1952 in Pekin, IL. She survives in Lincoln.

Virgil is also survived by one son: Gordon R.

McCann; one daughter:

Luann (Ken) Zessin of Lincoln; five grandchildren:

Tonya McCann of Lincoln; Shannon (Michael) Evans of Lincoln; Shana Reed-Harper of Homer; Kenny Zessin II and Luke Zessin, both of Lincoln; ten great grandchildren and one great great granddaughter.

He is the last of his immediate family. He was preceded by his parents; three brothers and four sisters.

Virgil was a member of the Jefferson Street Christian Church; Loyal Order of Moose #1441. He was an apprentice tool and die maker for Ford Motor Co. in Chicago, IL. He had worked for 25 years at Cutler-Hammer, Lincoln as a tool and die maker. He was an avid amateur Ham Radio Operator, raced stock cars and over the years he enjoyed making jewelry and tools. He was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather and will be missed by all.

Services for Virgil will be Monday, April 16 at 2:00 p.m. at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home, Lincoln, with Pastor Larry Crawford officiating.

Visitation will be from 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m. prior to the service.

Memorials may be given to the March of Dimes, Ansar Shrine, or Donor's Choice.

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Deceased Name: **Ernie Edwards** - Mother Road loses a son Pig Hip founder **Edwards** dies at 94
Route 66, often dubbed America's Mother Road, has lost one of its favorite sons.

Ernie Edwards, founder of the Pig Hip restaurant, which later became the Pig Hip Restaurant Museum along the famous highway in Broadwell, died Tuesday night at St. Clara's Manor in Lincoln. He was 94.

Edwards, who ruled the roost in his small, nondescript diner from under his tall, white chef's hat, earned a reputation with travelers who stopped for a sandwich as a jokester, teller of tall tales and the beneficiary of the gift of gab. Few who knew him would argue Edwards had the art of schmoozing with strangers mastered to a well-honed science.

In 1990, Edwards was among the first to be inducted into the Route 66 Association of Illinois Hall of Fame. After he closed his restaurant and converted it into a museum, tourists from around the globe sought him out to hear his stories about the years he spent feeding travelers along the famous highway.

His Hall of Fame induction plaque is on display at the Information Station office in Lincoln.

"Ernie was a friend, a neighbor, a mentor and a visionary," said Geoff Ladd, executive director of the Abraham Lincoln Tourism Bureau of Logan County and president of the Illinois Route 66 Scenic Byway. "It was Ernie who insisted that I step up to the plate to save The Mill (an iconic Route 66 restaurant in Lincoln). What I learned is you don't say 'no' to Ernie - and he was right about saving The Mill."

Born Aug. 5, 1917 in southern Illinois, Edwards came to Lincoln in 1934 with his family. His early years included military service before becoming a restaurant owner at the age of 24.

"His life was full of adventures, with the changes of Route 66 and the addition of Interstate 55 all playing a role," Ladd said.

The Pig Hip Restaurant Museum, where Edwards had once served up his famous Pig Hip ham sandwiches, was lost to a fire in 2007. With his wife Frances by his side, he continued the museum out of their nearby home, entertaining many visitors and groups throughout the years, as the site of the Pig Hip remained iconic along the Mother Road.

A sign and marker have been erected as a tribute to the long-standing restaurant and its colorful owner.

Lincoln resident Nancy Saul, retired Life Styles editor for The Courier, interviewed Edwards on several occasions through the years and became his friend.

"Ernie Edwards was a man who knew how to bloom where he was planted," Saul said Thursday. "Not everyone would have considered running a restaurant in Broadwell, Ill., an exciting career, but Ernie made the most of it. He was a purveyor not only of food, but in the style of P.T. Barnum, also the high jester of roadside humor and tall tales."

Saul said Edwards' banter to customers, especially those who had stopped by the restaurant for the first time, was indicative of his showmanship style.

"From his secret sauce that 'made it's way by the way it's made,' to his Pighip sandwiches, 'made only from the left ham of the pig,' Route 66 travelers could always look forward to entertainment along with their food," she said.

Saul remembers Edwards telling folks that the pig's left ham "was always the most tender because pigs scratch themselves with their right hind legs. Ernie's famous sandwich got its name when a farmer came in for lunch one day. Asked what he wanted, he said, 'Just cut me off a piece of that pig hip.' Ernie thought the phrase had a nice ring to it, so it stuck."

Ladd said efforts are under way to revitalize the Pig Hip sign in Broadwell and, along with the marker that is in place, the site will become a memorial to Edwards.

Pig Hip artifacts will eventually be on display at The Mill in Lincoln when it opens as a museum. Ladd said.

Edwards also will be remembered at this year's Route 66 Association Hall of Fame Banquet in Lincoln on June 9, Ladd said.

"The beloved storyteller may be gone, but the vision of Ernie in his tall white chef 's hat and the stories he loved to tell will remain with those who had the privilege of knowing him," Saul said.

Among Edwards' survivors is his wife Frances.

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Deceased Name: Ernest " **Ernie** " L. **Edwards** , Jr.

BROADWELL - Ernest "Ernie" L.

Edwards, Jr., 94, of Lincoln, formerly of Broadwell, died at St. Clara's Manor, Lincoln, on Wednesday, April 11, 2012 at 8:20 p.m.

Services for Mr. Edwards will be held at 10 A.M on Tuesday, April 17, 2012 at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home, Lincoln.

Burial will be in New Union Cemetery, Lincoln with full military rites accorded by Lincoln American Legion Post #263. Visitation will be from 4-7:00 P.M. on Monday April 16 at the funeral home. Memorials may be given to Route 66 Association.

Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - April 14, 2012

Deceased Name: Frank Thomas Ryan, Sr.

TULSA, OK - Frank Thomas Ryan, Sr., 83, of Tulsa, OK passed away February 25th, 2012. **Born** in Atlanta, IL September 19th, 1928.

Married April 13th, 1948 to the love of his life Pearl Marie O'Laughlin. He is survived by his loving wife of 63 years Pearl of the home. Sisters Stella Rinehart and Goldie Ball.

Daughters Sharon Peachey and husband Bill, Elaine Burnside and husband Don, Alice Ladwig and Son Frank Thomas Ryan, Jr., and wife DeAnna. Blessed with twelve (12) Grandchildren and twenty-two (22) Great Grandchildren. He also leaves behind numerous nieces, nephews and many friends.

Frank served 30 years in the United States Navy and retired in July 1977 a Chief Boatswain's Mate. He fought in WW II, Korea and did three tours in Vietnam.

After retiring from the U.S.

Navy, he spent 20 years as an Owner-Operator leased to PFT (Pre-Fab Transit Co) where he had a perfect driving record.

Services with Military Honors were held 12:30 pm, Thursday, March 1 at Floral Haven FH, Tulsa.

Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - April 17, 2012

Deceased Name: Dorothy Knopp

LINCOLN - Dorothy Knopp, 89, of Lincoln died peacefully at 5:30 a.m. on April 13, 2012 at Christian Village in Lincoln, IL. She was **born** in Cincinnati, Ohio on Aug. 29, 1922, the only child of George and Marjorie Diefenderfer Hahn. She was a devoted mother of four children and was known as "great Ma" to 8 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren. Her children are Marjorie (Rick) Trujillo of Murphysboro, IL; Dr. Gerald (Peggy) Knopp of Wentzville, MO; Dr. Richard (Paula) Knopp of Lincoln, IL; and George Knopp of St.

Louis. Grandchildren are Keith and John Herberger, Anna Knopp Mattern, David Knopp, Nicki Knopp Green, Katie Knopp Young, Andy Knopp, and Daniel Knopp.

For much of her life, she faithfully ministered as a preacher's wife in Mt.

Pleasant, KY; Corinth, KY; Whiting, IA; Lusk, WY; Owensville, MO; Danville, IL; Hamlet, NC; and Carbondale, IL. She also worked as a clerk for IGA and Russell-Stovers, a secretary at St. Louis Christian Hospital, and an ombudsman for Logan County nursing homes.

She had lived in Lincoln for about 25 years and was a member of Lincoln Christian Church. But her beautiful soprano voice was regularly heard on Sundays at Friendship Manor where she lived for 23 years and at Castle Manor where she lived the last 2 years.

Visitation for Mrs. Knopp will be held at Fricke, Calvert, Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln on Thursday, April 19, 2012, at 10:00 a.m. with a memorial service following at 11:00 a.m. Tim Searby, administrator at Castle Manor, will officiate. Cremation rites will follow and burial will occur at a later time.

Memorial gifts may be sent to Lincoln Christian University in Lincoln, Illinois.

Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - April 17, 2012

Deceased Name: Ann K. Mardis

LINCOLN - Ann K. Mardis, 65, of Lincoln passed away at 4:35 a.m. on Friday, April 13, 2012 at St. Clara's Manor in Lincoln.

A Memorial Service for Ms. Mardis will be held on Tuesday, April 17, 2012 at 10:30 a.m. at the Peasley Funeral Home in Lincoln with Rev. Glenn Fontana officiating.

Visitation will be held from 9:30 a.m. until time of service.

Burial will be in Holy Cross Cemetery in Lincoln.

Ann Kevin Mardis was **born** on May 28, 1946 the daughter of Byron and Mildred A. Hickey Fry.

She is survived by her siblings: Kathy Diamond, Pat Fry and Ray Fry all of Lincoln. Also surviving are several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, three brothers: Mike Fry, Jay Fry and Mark Fry.

She was of the Catholic faith. She retired from Logan Mason Rehabilitation Center in Lincoln.

Memorials may be made to Special Olympics or the Muscular Sclerosis Foundation.

Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - April 17, 2012

Deceased Name: Miriam (Billie) O. Bock

LINCOLN - Miriam (Billie) O. Bock, 91 of Lincoln, passed away on Sunday, April 15, 2012 at Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital, Lincoln, IL.

Billie was **born** on December 18, 1920 in Lincoln, IL a daughter of William C. and Emma Von Drehle Otte. She married Adam F. Bock June 10, 1940 in Lincoln, IL.

She was preceded in death by her parents, two brothers: Henry (Henrietta) Otte and Armin (Virginia) Otte, four sisters: Bertha (Paul) Dahmm, Emma (William) Bock; Tryphena (Julius) Aper and Esther Otte. She is survived by her husband of 67 years and many nieces and nephews and special friends: Charles and Mary Jane Anderson. She was the last of her immediate family.

She was a graduate of Lincoln Community High School and of the Deaconess Hospital as a Registered Nurse. She was a lifelong member of Immanuel Lutheran Church. She worked four years at the Illiopolis Munitions Plant during World War II as the head nurse. She enjoyed gardening, cultivating flowers and caring for her beloved cats. She loved to help people and was a friend to everyone. The family wishes to thank the caregivers for their special care to Billie over the years.

Visitation will be 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, April 18 at the Immanuel Lutheran Church, 1409 Pulaski St., Lincoln, IL until the service time at 11:00 a.m. with Rev. Andrew Nyren and Chaplain Ryan Edgecombe of the Christian Village officiating.

Burial will follow at New Union Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Immanuel Lutheran Church of Lincoln or to Luther Seminary or Dubuque Seminary.

Arrangements are by Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home, Lincoln, IL.

Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - April 17, 2012

Deceased Name: Audrey Ann Ingle

MANITO - Audrey Ann Ingle, 84, passed away at 3:50 p.m. on Saturday, April 14, 2012 at her home in Manito, Illinois. She was **born** in Evansville, Indiana, on July 23, 1927, the daughter of Charles and Irma Schymik.

She married Roger W.

Ingle on August 22, 1948 in Evansville, Indiana. She is survived by her husband of 63 years; Roger, her four children, Ann Worthington of Manito, IL; Paul (Dana) Ingle of Petersburg, IL; Sarah (Daryl) Renard of Atlanta, GA; and Laura (JT) Hayes of Delavan, IL; five grandchildren: Annette (Mike) Gresham of Delavan, IL; Daniel (Danielle) Lessen of Richardton, North Dakota; David Renard of Dickinson, North Dakota, Jessica Renard of Dickinson, North Dakota, Grayson Ingle of Petersburg, IL; five step grandchildren: Ben, Kelsey, and Luke Hayes of Delavan and Jaime and Erin Young of Jeffersonville, Indiana; and four great-grandchildren, Sidney and Molly Gresham and Grace and Sam Lessen.

Audrey began college, after her children were in school, at the age of 37.

She obtained a Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education and a Master's degree in Special Education. During her nineteen year career as a teacher, she taught elementary grades K-6, and later, special education self-contained classes. She most enjoyed teaching children with special needs. Audrey taught in Petersburg, Lincoln, and Pekin, Illinois and briefly in Salem, Arkansas. She also worked at the A. L. Bowen Childrens Center in Harrisburg, IL, and as a librarian at the Dixon Springs Juvenile Correctional Center in Golconda, IL. She was very proud of achieving her degrees and of her time spent as a teacher.

Audrey and Roger retired in 1987 and moved to Horseshoe Bend, Arkansas to enjoy a twenty-four year long active retirement.

During her time there, Audrey became a volunteer E.M.T. and participated in many social and church groups. She enjoyed playing cards and board games with various friends, and she also took time to enroll in painting classes. Though she frequently disparaged her artistic talent, her family is quite proud of the many paintings she produced.

She and Roger were often likely to break into song. Frequently Roger would begin a refrain and Audrey would complete it. One of their favorites and often requested was "Chantilly Lace".

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, April 17, at the Delavan Methodist Church from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. A memorial service will be held on Wednesday, April 18 at the church at 11 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorials honoring Audrey may be given to the Forman Public Library in Manito, IL.

Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - April 17, 2012

Deceased Name: James Lewis Johnson

PEORIA - James Lewis Johnson, age 97, of Peoria, formerly of Washington and Lincoln, passed away on Sunday, April 8, 2012 at John C. Proctor Endowment Home in Peoria.

James was **born** on November 27, 1914 in Clinton, Illinois to Roy H. and Icie (Foley) Johnson.

He grew up in the Odd Fellows Children's Home in Lincoln, Illinois, where his parents were superintendent and matron.

He married Evelyn Jean Turnbull on March 15, 1941 in St. Charles, Missouri.

She preceded him in death on April 6, 2001.

James is survived by his daughters, J. Elizabeth Johnson of Naples, Florida and Barbara E. Johnson of Harwich, Massachusetts; four grandchildren, Nicholas Singer of Naples, Florida, Georgiana Singer of Denver, Colorado, Alexandra Johnson of Los Angeles, California and Rose McDonnell of Chicago, Illinois. He was preceded in death by his parents and his brother, Robert H. Johnson.

James was a graduate of Lincoln Community High School and Lincoln College, both in Lincoln, Illinois, the University of Illinois and the Graduate School of Banking at the University of Wisconsin.

He began his banking career at First National Bank in Lincoln in 1936. In December of 1941 he entered military service with USCGR as a third-class yeoman serving aboard a transport AP121 in the South Pacific. He was released from active duty on November 30, 1945 as a lieutenant.

Subsequently, he was employed by Live Stock National Bank of Chicago for ten years followed by employment with LaGrange State Bank in La Grange, Illinois. IN 1959, he was appointed Executive Vice President of First National Bank of Peoria, Illinois. He became President in 1967 and retired as Chairman of the Board in December of 1984.

James was President of the Delta Tau Delta Fraternity of the University of Illinois, President of the LaGrange Park Pony League, President of the Peoria Rotary Club, member of the Peoria Country Club, A.F. and A.M. of Illinois, Masonic Lodge (Lincoln Lodge #210), Knights Templars, Mohammed Temple of Peoria and the Royal Order of the Jesters, Court #40 in Peoria.

He was past Chairman of the Board of Trustees for Lincoln College and Illinois Central College and was also past President of the St. Francis Hospital Community Clinic.

James was on the Board of trustees of WTVP Channel 47 and the John C.

Proctor Endowment. He served on the Advisory Board of the Peoria School of Medicine, was director of the McRoberts Scholarship Trust and the Robert E. Kavanaugh Scholarship Trust. He was member of the Washington Presbyterian Church.

In 1977, he was award the Kiwanis Tri-County Citizen of the Year Award.

James and his wife, Evelyn, his great friend and partner in life, moved from Washington, Illinois to Proctor Home in July of 1999 where they enjoyed superior care and endearing friendships.

James's favorite advice to his family was, "Pay your debts and tell the truth."

Services will be held on Wednesday, April 18, 2012 at 10am at Cumerford-Hurd Funeral Home in Peoria. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Rev. Mary Jane West will be officiating. Burial will be held on Thursday, April 19, 2012 at 10 am at Old Union Cemetery in Lincoln, Illinois. Memorials directed on behalf of James Lewis Johnson may be made to the charity of the donor's

choice. Online condolences may be made at www.cumerford.com.

Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - April 17, 2012

Deceased Name: Marie V. (Brown) Swanson

PEORIA - Marie V.

(Brown) Swanson, age 98 of Peoria, IL, formerly of Metamora, IL, passed away at 8:20am Saturday, April 14, 2012 at Lutheran Hillside Village in Peoria.

She was **born** Jan. 15, 1914 in Lincoln, IL to Abraham and Ethel (Sturgeon) Fulscher. She married Leo Brown Jr. June 20, 1936 in Peoria and he died in 1963.

She then married Leonard Swanson on Aug. 2, 1969 in Peoria and he died in 1995.

Surviving is one son James Brown of Peoria, and a step daughter Rita (Arthur) Carlson of Luing, LA. Grandchildren; Julie (Todd) Beagle, Tina Winkler, Karen Gallup, Jennifer (Steve) Barber, Melissa (Andy) Svymbersky, Robert Brown, Michael (Trisha) Carlson, James (Shelie) Carlson, Lynn (Jeffery) Swearingen, and 19 great grandchildren. She is also survived by two sisters Ruby Robbins of Rossville, IL and Irene Krus of Peoria.

She was preceded in death by a son Robert Brown, a step daughter Sharon Swanson and 2 brothers and one sister.

Marie was a secretary working at WABCO in Peoria for 25 years and retiring in 1976. Member of Parkview Christian Church in Peoria and she had a great love for her children.

Funeral services will be at 11:00 am Thursday, April 19, 2012 at Parkview Christian Church with Rev.

Steve Barch officiating.

Visitation will be from 10:00 am until service time at the church. Burial will be in Parkview Cemetery in Peoria. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to her church. Online condolences at www.masonfuneralhomes.com.

Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - April 18, 2012

Deceased Name: Mary Ann Buche

PLACENTIA, CA - Mary Ann Buche, 79 of Placentia, CA passed away peacefully with family members by her side on April 11, 2012. She was **born** October 25, 1932 in Pana, IL the daughter of Harry and Mary Fought.

In 1949 the family moved to Crown Point, IN where she met and married the love of her life, Elwyn Buche on August 9, 1952. In 1964, Mary Ann and Elwyn moved to Lincoln, IL where they raised their four children.

In 1980 Mary Ann and Elwyn moved to Placentia, CA where they both were active in their Sunday school class and also enjoyed their Thursday evening Bible class at Eastside Christian Church in Fullerton, CA. Mary Ann volunteered hundreds of hours at the Heirloom Shoppe in Fullerton, CA. The Heirloom Shoppe supported programs at Hope International University that provided services to the students of the university.

She is survived by her husband Elwyn of Placentia, CA, son Tim (Fran) Buche of Yorba Linda, CA, daughter Kathie (Dave) Meyer of Lincoln, son Steve (Candy) Buche of Lincoln, and daughter Shari (Dave) Alley of Yorba Linda, CA.

She had 9 grandchildren, Maribeth (Ben) Cunningham of Santa Monica, CA, Mark Buche of Long Beach, CA, Chris (Betsy) Meyer of Normal, IL, Betsy (Luke) Boyd of Lincoln, Zach and Rachel Buche of Lincoln, James, Lauren and Sarah Alley of Yorba Linda, CA and four Great-grandchildren, Ben and Sammie Meyer of Normal, IL and Eli and Lea Boyd of Lincoln, IL.

She is also survived by three siblings, her brother Melvin (Linda) Fought of Merrillville, Indiana and sisters Charlene (George) Marks of Crown Point, Indiana, Betty Stout of Indianapolis Indiana and several nieces and nephews.

Mary Ann was preceded in death by her parents, her brother John Fought, and her infant daughter, Katherine.

She was a very loving and thoughtful wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother and sister who will be dearly missed by her family and the many friends she made through the years.

A memorial service will be held at Eastside Christian Church in Fullerton, CA, at 1:30 p.m. on April 27, 2012

Interment will be at Fairhaven Memorial Park in Santa Ana, CA.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made in memory of Mary Ann Buche to Eastside Christian Church Building Fund, 2505 E. Yorba Linda Blvd., Fullerton, CA 92831. Cards and condolences to Elwyn Buche, 920 Cuyler Ave., Placentia, CA 92870.

Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - April 18, 2012

Deceased Name: Lillian Cecelia Drake

LINCOLN - Lillian Cecelia Drake, 85, died on April 11, 2012 at the Christian Nursing Home in Lincoln, IL at 8:30 A.M.

Lillian was **born** on July 24, 1926 in Detroit, MI, daughter of Wilson Theodore and Della Edna (Blanton) Saylor. She married Leslie Watson Drake on May 21, 1942. He preceded her in death on February 28, 2005.

Lillian is survived by two daughters, Lee I. (Drake) Schall (Robert Schall) of Broadwell, IL and Robin E. Drake (Mark A. Bibler) of Fishers, IN; four sons, William T. (Sherrie) Drake of Parker City, IN, Micheal E. (Connie) Drake and Larry A. (Patti) Drake, both of Elkhart IL, and Kerry W. (Melanie) Drake of DeMotte IN; 21 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren; six nieces and nephews; and dear friend and caregiver Ann Miller of Lincoln, IL.

She was preceded in death by her parents; two sisters, Geneva (Saylor) Haworth and Mabel (Saylor) Machleit; her brother, Orla O. Saylor; two children, Carol L. (Drake) Miles and Daniel L. Drake; and one great-grandson, Warner Josiah Drake.

Cremation rites have been accorded and burial will be at a later date. Holland Barry and Bennett Funeral Home in Lincoln IL is handling arrangements.

Visitation will be held from 4:00-6:00 P.M. Friday, April 20, 2012 at Holland Barry and Bennett Funeral Home. Lil was a member of Elkhart Christian Church in Elkhart IL. Her memorial service will be held at 10:30 A.M. Saturday, April 21, 2012 at Elkhart Christian. Visitation will be at the church from 9:30-10:30 A.M. prior to the service.

Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - April 18, 2012

Deceased Name: George Gahr

LINCOLN - George Gahr, 83, of Lincoln, passed away Saturday, April 14, 2012 at Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital surrounded by his loving family.

Visitation will be Thursday, April 19, 2012 from 5-7 pm at Holland Barry & Bennett Funeral Home in Lincoln. Funeral services will be Friday, April 20, 2012 at 10:00 AM at Lincoln Christian Church with Ron Otto officiating. Burial will follow in New Union Cemetery.

George was **born** June 6, 1928 in Alton, IL the son of Myron and Ruth (Ewing) Gahr. He married Sue Ann Lemons on October 9, 1954. She preceded him in death on July 22, 2008.

He was a graduate of Lincoln Christian University in 1955, a lifetime member of Lincoln Christian University Alumni Association, and recipient of the Restoration Award in 1971.

He was the first Executive Director of Christian Homes in Lincoln, IL and retired from Christian Homes in 2001.

He was a member of Grand Lodge of AF & AM Lodge 210 where he served as Chaplain. He was a Master Mason for 50 years.

He was a Director on the Logan County Bank Board and the Lincoln Public Library Board in Lincoln. He was also a member of the Kiwanis Club of Lincoln where he served as President in 1982 - 1983.

George served as the President of the Illinois Nursing Home Association in 1974, and also was inducted into the Senior Adult Hall of Fame by the Christian Benevolent Association in 2003.

He loved his work and his family, and was a avid Cardinal Baseball Fan. He will be missed by his friends and family.

He is survived by two daughters, Patti (and Dan) Becker of Lincoln and Rebecca (and Bruce) Davidson of Rainier, WA; two sons, George Daniel Gahr and Bruce Andrew Gahr of Lincoln; and four grandchildren, Hilary and Aaron Becker of Lincoln, George Zachary Gahr (and Tara) of Normal and Emily M. Gahr of Indianapolis, IN; sister Karolyn (and Jake) Frye of Chandler, AZ, brother William (and Kay) Gahr of Chesterfield, IL, and brother John (and Susan) Gahr of Afton, TX.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Sue, and sisters Joanne Scarborough and Gwendolyn Staten.

Memorial donations may be made to The Christian Village, Lincoln Christian Church, Lincoln Christian University, or to Little Gallilee Christian Assembly

Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - April 19, 2012

Deceased Name: Theodore Meserole, Jr.

BATH - Theodore Meserole, Jr., 73, of Bath, passed away Tuesday, April 17, 2012 at home surrounded by his loving family.

Visitation will be Saturday, April 21, 2012 from 11:00 AM until 1:00 PM at Holland Barry & Bennett Funeral Home in Lincoln. Funeral services will be at 1:00 PM Saturday also at the funeral home. In honor of Theodore the family requests casual dress. Burial will follow in Atlanta Cemetery with military honors by American Legion Post 263.

Theodore was **born** April 8, 1939 in Warrensburg, IL, the son of Theodore Meserole, Sr. and Elva (Cravens) Meserole. He married Donna Jean Hunt on June 12, 1964.

He proudly served his country in the United States Army. He was a member of the NRA, the Littleton Coin Company, the National Gardening Club, was an avid Harley rider, loved camping and fishing, vacationing, working, and loved his home. He was the most happy when his family and friends were all together.

Surviving are his wife Donna of Bath; daughter Kelly (Todd) Parks of Atlanta; daughter Leslie Whiteman of Lincoln; son Doug (Amy) Meserole of Atlanta; daughter Shawna (Randy Fulmer) of Lincoln; 7 grandchildren: Scott Parks, Kayla Craig, Brooke White, Shae Fulmer, Taylor Whiteman, Keagan Meserole, and Analyn Starcevic; 3 great grandchildren: Sturgis W. Lancaster, Kennedi Craig, and Kori Craig; sister Shirley Meserole of Atlanta; brother Roy D. (Winnie) Meserole of Atlanta; and sister Sandy (Pam) Meserole of Pekin.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his son Keith William Meserole, and 2 brothers Harold Meserole and Arland Meserole.

Memorial donations may be made to Graham Hospital Hospice in Canton and will be accepted at the funeral home.

Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - April 19, 2012

Deceased Name: Marjorie M. Hickey

LINCOLN - Marjorie M. Hickey, 86, of Mt. Pulaski formerly of Lincoln passed away on Tuesday, April 17, 2012 at St. John's Hospital in Springfield.

A Mass of Christian Burial for Mrs. Hickey will be held on Friday, April 20, 2012 at 2:00 p.m. at Holy Family Catholic Church in Lincoln with Rev. Glenn Fontanna officiating.

Visitation will be held from 12:30 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. on Friday at the Peasley Funeral Home.

Burial will be in Holy Cross Cemetery in Lincoln.

Marjorie Mae Hickey was **born** on June 16, 1925 in Waynesville, Illinois the daughter of Holton and Emma Meechum Leever. She married Harold E. Hickey on October 11, 1948 in Lincoln. He preceded her in death on June 6, 1997.

Surviving are her children: Larry (Nancy) Hickey of Warrensburg, Gary (Patti) Hickey of Forsyth, Michael (Barb) Hickey of Springfield, Linda (Larry) True of Georgetown, KY, Nine grandchildren, and Eleven great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by four brothers and one sister.

She was a former member of Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church in Decatur.

She had been employed at K-Mart and General Electric in Decatur.

She was an avid BINGO player. She will be missed dearly by all whom knew her.

Memorials may be made to the Vonderlieth Living Center Activity Department in Mt. Pulaski.

Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - April 19, 2012

Deceased Name: Elizabeth "Libby" Turner

SPRINGFIELD - Elizabeth "Libby" Turner, 77, died Sunday, April 15, 2012, at Memorial Medical Center.

She was **born** September 29, 1934 in Fort Worth, TX to H. Stanley and Sally (Atkins) Norman. She married William "Bill" M. Turner in 1953 in Tulsa, OK. He preceded her in death in 2004. A daughter, Sally Turner, also preceded her in death.

Libby was a member of the Cathedral Church of St. Paul. She was instrumental in the lives of many people. She served on the Board of Directors for Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital and St. Clara's Manor. She was a gifted writer and enjoyed reading, playing tennis and bridge. She was a member of PEO, DAR and Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority. She had a wonderful sense of humor. Libby adored her grandchildren and deeply missed her husband of over 50 years.

She is survived by her children, Pam Turner of Kansas City, MO, Tracey (John) Gage of Chalmers, IN and their children, Emily (Jay) Hedrick and their son, Jack all of Grangeville, ID and Kiley Gage of Missoula, MT, Scott Turner of Springfield, MO; and Margy (Bill) Smith of Chatham and their children, Blake and Maddy Smith; a sister, Mary Ann Pollard of Rowlett, TX; and several nieces and nephews.

A Memorial Eucharist was held Wednesday, April 18, 2012, at the Cathedral Church of St. Paul, with the Very Reverend Robert E. Brodie officiating. Inurnment of ashes was at the Cathedral Church of St. Paul.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Memorial Medical Center Foundation or the Central Illinois Food Bank.

The family wishes to thank the staff of Wyndcrest Assisted Living Community in Rochester and the staff of 2E at Memorial Medical Center for their care and support.

Vancil-Murphy Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - April 24, 2012

Deceased Name: Ted G. Presswood

LINCOLN - Ted G. Presswood, age 72 of Lincoln, IL, died peacefully 7:31 PM Sunday, April 22, 2012 at his home with the comfort of family and friends. Ted was **born** in Pinckneyville, IL on February 7, 1940. For 45 years, Ted was the beloved husband of Linda Lou Petro Presswood who preceded him in death. Ted is survived by four children: Judy Crawford of Cupertino, CA, David (Michelle) Presswood, Virginia/Ginny Huffman, and Jeffrey Presswood of Lincoln, eight grandchildren: Ashley, Megan, Christine, Haley, and Dalton Presswood, and Gauge Huffman of Lincoln, Zachary and Hannah Crawford of Cupertino, CA, and three great grandchildren, Cadence Presswood, Keygan Metelko, and Kylan Gillum.

Ted remains forever cherished by his loving and devoted sister, Sierra (Larry) Fulk and Melvin/George (Virginia) Presswood of Lincoln, IL. He was preceded in death by his parents Clyde and Bessie Elizabeth Davis Presswood and three brothers: Dwayne, Vernus, and Ruben Jewel Presswood.

He was a self-employed weed cutter and a charter member of Lincoln Southern Baptist Church. Ted loved and cherished his family and grandchildren and enjoyed traveling with his wife, sister, daughters, and grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, April 25 at 11 AM at Lincoln Southern Baptist Church with Rev. Bobby Presswood officiating. Lunch will be served at the church immediately following the burial. Visitation will be on Tuesday, April 24 from 4 to 7 PM at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln. Ted will rest peacefully at The Presswood Memorial Monument in Zion Cemetery, Lincoln, IL. Memorials may be made to Lincoln Southern Baptist Church.

Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - April 24, 2012

Deceased Name: Janet Lee Downing Rubin

MT. PULASKI - Janet Lee Downing Rubin, 75, of Mt. Pulaski died at 7:00 A.M. Monday April 23, 2012 at Vonderlieth Living Center. Her funeral will be at 10:30 A.M. Wednesday April 25, 2012 at The Mt. Pulaski Christian Church with Mark Weber officiating. Visitation will be one our prior to the service at the church. Burial will be in Mt. Pulaski Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Mt. Pulaski Christian Church or Vonderlieth Living Center.

Janet was **born** February 15, 1937 in Lincoln, IL, the daughter of Orville and Thelma Volle Downing. She graduated from Mt. Pulaski High School and attended nurse training in Springfield, IL. She worked at Christian Homes in Lincoln, IL, and was a nurse's aid at Vonderlieth Living Center for 17 years before she retired. Janet enjoyed taking bus tour trips with her mother to many places throughout the United States.

Janet was preceded in death by her parents and one son Jeffrey. Surviving are her brother Roy Dean (Marylyn) Downing of Mt. Pulaski, a nephew Troy Downing of Edmond, OK and a niece Tracy Pulliam of Mahomet, IL.

Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home, Mt. Pulaski, is handling arrangements.

Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - April 24, 2012

Deceased Name: Jerry Bock Shockey

LINCOLN - Jerry Bock Shockey, 88, of Lincoln died at 9:12 A.M. April 21, 2012 at the Christian Nursing Home in Lincoln.

Mr. Shockey was **born** March 10, 1924 to Darrell and Ella Fulscher Shockey in Elkhart, IL. He married Anna Louise Buckstegge on November 24, 1948 at her parent's home in Lincoln. She survives in Lincoln.

Also surviving are two daughters, Gail (George) Petro of Lincoln, Melissa Shockey of Springfield, two sons, Roger Shockey of Peoria, Jerry Bock (Heather) Shockey of Covington, KY, and three grandchildren, Ben (Sarah) Petro of Chicago, Drew VonWaldner of Springfield and Taylor Shockey of Covington, KY. He was the last of his immediate family.

Jerry was the owner and operator of Harris-Hodnett Insurance Agency in Lincoln for many years. He was a member of Trinity Episcopal Church, The Lincoln Elk's Club, Lincoln Lodge # 210, Ansar Shrine, Logan County Shrine Club, Springfield Consistory, American Legion Post \$\$\$263, attended Lincoln College and was a Marine Corps veteran of WWII in the Pacific Theater.

Services for Mr. Shockey will be 11:00 A.M. Saturday, April 28, 2012 at Trinity Episcopal Church in Lincoln with Father Mark Evans officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to services at the church. Memorials may be made to Trinity Episcopal Church or to the Donor's Choice.

Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home, Lincoln is handling arrangements.

Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - April 24, 2012

Deceased Name: Joyce M. Short

LINCOLN - Joyce M. Short, 82, of Lincoln passed away on Sunday, April 22, 2012 at 8:55 a.m. at St. Clara's Manor in Lincoln.

A Memorial Service for Mrs. Short will be held on Thursday, April 28, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the Life Pointe Church of God 601 Pulaski Street in Lincoln with Pastor C. Douglas Bowers Sr. officiating.

Visitation will be held from 6:00 p.m. until time of the service at the church.

Private family burial will be in Bethel Cemetery in rural Emden.

Peasley Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Joyce Marie Short was **born** on April 4, 1930 in Atlanta the daughter of Dewey and Oma Compton Johnson. She married James Russell Short on June 11, 1946. He survives in Lincoln.

Also surviving are her children: Zelma (Bill) Martin of Atlanta, Billy J. Short of Lincoln. Four grandchildren: Danny Martin, Josh (Christy) Short, Jenny (Doug Gellner) Martin, Tiffany Short.

She was preceded in death by one granddaughter: Robin Tackett, two brothers and one sister.

She was a member of Holy Family Catholic Church in Lincoln.

She was employed at Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital for over thirty years as an Aide and also in the Physical Therapy Department.

Joyce always hosted the Johnson family reunions. She was very devoted to her family and will be deeply missed.

Memorials may be made to her family.

Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - April 25, 2012

Deceased Name: Joan (Lee) Hinds

ELKHART - Joan (Lee) Hinds, 76, of Elkhart, IL passed away at home. She was **born** June 3, 1935 in Lincoln, IL to Patrick Mathew and Theresa (Laffy) Lee. She married Donnie Hinds on November 26, 1955 in Elkhart, IL and he preceded her in death on September 24, 1996.

She is survived by her children, Kevin (Debbie) Hinds of Girard, IL; Brian (Christie) Hinds, Mark (Teri Hanner) Hinds and Michelle Hinds, all of Elkhart, IL; Bridgette (Phil) Crites of Owaneco, IL and Craig (Julie) Hinds of Chestnut, IL; 9 grandchildren and 6 great-granddaughters. She is also survived by several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, and siblings.

Visitation will be Friday evening at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Mt. Pulaski, IL from 4-8 p.m. with a Rosary Service at 3:00 p.m.

Funeral Services will be held at 10:00 a.m. Saturday at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church in Mt. Pulaski, IL. Burial will be at Steenbergen Cemetery, Mt. Pulaski, IL

Memorials may be made to: Ronald McDonald House, 610 N. 7th Street, Springfield, IL 62702 or Lincoln Special Olympics, Attn: Ryan Curry, P.O. Box 897, Lincoln, IL 62656.

Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - April 26, 2012

Deceased Name: Raymond L. Shaub

SPRINGFIELD - Raymond L. Shaub, 57, of Springfield, formerly of Lincoln, died at his home on April 23, 2012 at 9:37 p.m.

Raymond was retired from the Illinois Department of Corrections and Sangamon County Jail.

Raymond was **born** on May 24, 1955 in Lincoln, IL the son of George and Mary Lang Shaub. His parents preceded him in death.

He is survived by three brothers: George Shaub, Roger Shaub and Randy Shaub, all of Lincoln; four sisters: Rosanna (Dan) Buelter; Gloria (Tim) Krueger of Schoolcraft, MI; Gail (Jim) Veges of Des Arc, MO and Gina (Chris) Gallagher of Katy, TX.

Raymond will be cremated as he wished and no services will be held.

Memorials may be given to the family. Arrangements were by Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home, Lincoln.

Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - April 27, 2012

Deceased Name: Marilyn R. Crippen

LINCOLN - Marilyn R. Crippen, 82, of Lincoln, passed away on April 25, 2012 at 7:52 a.m. at her home.

Marilyn was **born** on December 20, 1929 in Mounds, IL the daughter of Louis and Zelma Mesker Underhile. She married Gerald E. Crippen on March 13, 1947 in Ullin, IL. He survives in Lincoln.

Marilyn is also survived by one daughter: Cynthia "Cindy" (Gary) Minder of Lincoln; one son: Gerald E. Crippen of Baton Rouge, Louisiana; one sister: Anita Frizzell of Lincoln; three grandchildren: Kristen (David) Lanning of Lincoln; Angela (William) Majino of Fenton, MO; Matthew (Carissa) Minder of University City, MO; and three great grandchildren: Alexandria "Lexy" Lanning, Annika "Ania" Lanning, and Vincent "Vinny" Majino. Her parents preceded her in death.

Marilyn worked and retired from the First State Bank of Olmsted; she worked as a clerk and retired a second time as the manager of the motor bank at Logan County Bank, Lincoln. She was a member of the Community of Christ Church, Decatur, IL. She was a superannuated priest in the church; former historian at Community of Christ Church in Marion, IL. She made baby quilts for numerous people.

Visitation for Mrs. Crippen will be Sunday, April 29 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home, 127 S. Logan St. Lincoln. A family graveside service will be Monday at 10:00 a.m. at Holy Cross Cemetery, Lincoln with Evangelist Richard Streibich officiating. A luncheon will be served at Community of Christ Church, 5655 Union School Road, Decatur, IL 62522 at noon followed by a memorial service officiated by Deby Klein, Pastor and Elder, and Evangelist Richard Streibich. Memorials may be given to Community of Christ Church of Decatur or the American Cancer Society.

Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - April 27, 2012

Deceased Name: Arnold A. "Mike" Koehler

MT. PULASKI - Arnold A. "Mike" Koehler, 89, of Mt. Pulaski died at 11:20 A.M. Wednesday April 25, 2012.

Mike was **born** on November 13, 1922 in Lake Fork, IL, son of William and Bessie Sherwood Koehler. He married Berniece A. Torbeck on April 15, 1948 in Mt. Pulaski, IL. She preceded him in death on February 19, 2008.

Mike is survived by two children: Judith Ann (Michael) Coleman of Decatur and Michael (Donna) Koehler of Mt. Pulaski, two brothers, Dave (Bunny) Koehler of Morton, IL and William G. "Pudge" Koehler of Lincoln, IL, one sister Betty Johnson of Illiopolis, IL, four grandchildren, Joseph (Barbie) Coleman of Decatur, Jacob Coleman of Decatur, and Timothy and Sydney Koehler of Mt. Pulaski. He was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers, and four sisters.

Mike was a U.S. Army veteran who was a prisoner of war during WWII, he became a prisoner of war during the Battle of The Bulge on December 19, 1944 and stayed one until April 25, 1945; Mike had received the Victory Ribbon, American Theatre Ribbon, European African Middle Eastern Theatre Ribbon, Three Bronze Stars, Good Conduct Medal, Purple Heart, and the Overseas Bar. He was also a member of Mt. Pulaski American Legion Post#447 and Mt. Pulaski VFW Post #777. Mike was a bus driver for Mt. Pulaski Township High School for 26 years where he really enjoyed all the children he had on his routes and was employed by the Mt. Pulaski Lumber Yard for 35 years.

Services for Mike will be Monday, April 30, 2012 at 11 AM at Zion Lutheran Church in Mt. Pulaski. Visitation will be Sunday, April 29, 2012 from two until four at Fricke Calvert Schrader Funeral Home in Mt. Pulaski. Memorials may be made to Mt. Pulaski VFW Post#777, Mt. Pulaski American Legion Post #447, or Zion Lutheran Church in Mt. Pulaski. Burial will be at Mt. Pulaski Cemetery where full military rites will be accorded.

Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - April 28, 2012

Deceased Name: Joseph "Joe" L. Edwards

LINCOLN - Joseph "Joe"

L. Edwards, 90, of Lincoln, passed away at 6:25 p.m. Wednesday, April 25, 2012 at St. Clara's Manor, Lincoln.

Joe was **born** on December 31, 1921 the son of Ernest Leo and Naomi Meyers Edwards, Sr. in Murphysboro, IL. He married Gladys Anderson on May 12, 1947 in Lincoln, IL. She survives in Lincoln. Joe and Gladys would have celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary on May 12.

Other survivors include a son, Mike (Diane) Edwards of Lincoln; a daughter, Sheila (Tom) Harmon of Peoria, AZ; a sister, Bonnie (Doc) Welch of Lincoln; three grandchildren, Brett (Brittney) Edwards of Lincoln, Megan (Steven) Jenness of Lincoln, Michael Harmon of Peoria, AZ; and five great grandchildren, Abby, Brooklyn, Grant, Drake, and Griffin. He was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Elizabeth Edwards; brother, Ernie Edwards; and granddaughter, Erin Edwards.

Joe operated Edwards City Service Gas Station in Broad well and then worked at the bottle factory as a fork lift mechanic until retirement in 1982. Joe served in the U.S. Army from 1942-1945. He was a member of the American Legion Post #263 for 64 years and a member of the firing squad for many years; member of forty and eight; Lions Club; and an honorary member of the Rt. 66 Hall of Fame. He was an avid Lincoln Railer and Cardinal Fan.

Services for Joe will be Tuesday, May 1, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home, Lincoln with Rev. Jeffrey Laible officiating. Burial will be at St. Mary's Cemetery with full military rites accorded by the Lincoln American Legion Post #263. Visitation will be Monday, from 4:00-7:00 p.m. at the funeral home. Memorials may be given to Carroll Catholic School or the American Legion Post #263.

Courier, The (Lincoln, IL) - April 28, 2012

Deceased Name: Leonard R. Lehner

LINCOLN-Leonard R. Lehner of Lincoln, IL, peacefully entered eternal glory at 5:15 PM on April 25, 2012, at Memorial Medical Center in Springfield, IL, surrounded by his loving family.

He was **born** in Lincoln, IL, May 22, 1923, the son of Frank and Catherine Jacobs Lehner. He married Dorothy Ann Kollmann, Spokane, WA, January 10, 1946. She preceded him in death November 26, 2008.

Leonard was a graduate of Lincoln Community High School in 1943. During World War II, he was stationed on troop transports Zania and LaGrange as Gunner's Mate 2nd Class in the United States Navy. His service included time spent in the South Pacific on Okinawa. After serving in the Navy, he and Dorothy settled in Lincoln.

A plumber by trade, Leonard spent most of his career working at Lincoln Developmental and Logan Correctional Centers. He was also an accomplished carpenter and built the family home in which he and Dorothy raised their four children.

Leonard was a member of Zion Lutheran Church, Plumbers and Steamfitters Local 137, and the Logan County Genealogical and Historical Society. He was honored to attend the September 2011 Land of Lincoln Honor Flight to Washington, D.C.

Leonard had a zest for life as evidenced by his devotion to his family, his good humor and his cheerful demeanor.

Survivors include daughters, Dianne (Bill) Breen, Lincoln, IL, Nancy (Rev. Charles) Olander, New Holland, IL, Randy (Roger) Payne, Normal, IL; son, Richard (Dianne) Lehner, Bloomington, IL; Grandchildren, Eric (Kim) Robinson, Springfield, IL, Dana (Kim) Robinson, Winston-Salem, NC, Dr. Sara (Jason) Netzley, Morton, IL, Christopher Baker, Lincoln, IL, Laura (Dr. Tyler) Bickel, Salt Lake City, UT, Michael (Leah) Payne, Colfax, NC, Brandy (Mike) Welch, Bloomington, IL, Brittney (Mike) Krzystofiak, Elgin, IL, Mark (Kristi) Payne, Washington, MO, Bethany (Doug) Johnson, Bloomington, IL, Matthew Lehner, Washington, D.C., Ryan Lehner, Bloomington, IL; Great-Grandchildren, Emily Robinson, Bayley Robinson, Braidy Robinson, Evelyn Baker, Eleanore Baker, Callie Payne, Dylan Menchetti, Kylie Welch, Gage Swearingen, Amber Welch, Nolan Krzystofiak, Alayna Krzystofiak, Bailey Johnson; Brother, Walter Lehner; and Sister, Irene (Corliss) Norton.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife Dorothy; sister Frances Ritterbush; infant brother, half-sister, and three half-brothers.

Funeral services will be held at 3 PM on Sunday, April 29, 2012, at the church, with arrangements by Peasley Funeral Home. Visitation will be from 1:30 - 3 PM Sunday before the service. Burial with military rites will be on Monday, April 30, 2012, at 10 AM at New Union Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Zion Lutheran Church or Zion Lutheran School.