

John Edward

Radtke

KANSAS CITY, MO - John Edward Radtke, 83, passed away August 30, 2013. John was the patriarch of his family. Their fearless leader. John was funny, passionate, kind, caring, selfless, and oh, so protective. He was affectionately known as "Papa John" to his friends and family.

John was born May 6, 1930, in Arrowsmith, Ill., and raised in Elkhart, Ill. He attended Elkhart High School and was active in FFA. John was the oldest son of William Edward Radtke, a German immigrant, and Sally Johnna Livingston Sivert, of Cherokee Indian decent. They lived a modest but full life in Elkhart, Ill. John was the devoted brother of William "Bill" Lee Radtke and Linda Lou Radtke Scott.

John married his one and only true love, Margaret Sue Graham, on June 24, 1962. Married for 51 wonderful years, they had three children, Susan Radtke (Steve) Berglund, April Radtke (Jay) McCracken, and John Edward (Kerri) Radtke II. John was the devoted Papa of Katie and Jacob Berglund, Sam and Charlie John McCracken, and Hannah Radtke.

With over 50 years in finance, John served 15 years with Massey Ferguson, was the Director of Patient Accounts at Decatur Memorial Hospital and had 20 years of service to Deutz-Allis (formerly known as Allis-Chalmers Credit Corporation). When John retired, he began a career in real estate. He worked for Reece and Nichols Real Estate and enjoyed buying and selling cars for fun.

John enjoyed telling stories, helping those in need and visiting with all. John's greatest gift was he never met a stranger. His greatest love was his family. John was a devoted husband, father, papa, friend, son, brother, uncle and will be greatly missed.

"The things you do for yourself are gone when you are gone, the things you do for others remain your legacy." John has left a lasting legacy behind deeply touching all who knew him. May God bless him in eternal peace.

Visitation will begin at 10 a.m., followed by a service celebrating John's life at 11 a.m., Wednesday, September 4, at the Park Lawn Northland Chapel, 1640 North State Route 291, Liberty, MO 64068. Burial will follow in Longview Memorial Gardens. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions are suggested to Wayside Waifs, 3901 Martha Truman Road, Kansas City, MO 64137. You may send a message to the family or sign an on-line guest book via www.parklawnfunerals.com. Arrangements by

Park Lawn

Northland Chapel

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Dorothy C. Blaum

NEW HOLLAND, IL - Dorothy C. Blaum, 86, died at 10:00 a.m., Aug. 1, 2013, at The Christian Village in Lincoln, Ill.

Dorothy was born Jan. 10, 1927, in New Holland, the daughter of Charles and Minnie Pedigo Pettitt. She married Merle K. Blaum on Sept. 22, 1952, in Greenfield, Ill. He preceded her in death on Feb. 12, 2013.

Dorothy is survived by one son, Kent R. Blaum of DeKalb, Ill.; one daughter, Karol Blaum of Lincoln; four grandchildren: Kendal Gibbs, Keegan Gibbs, Abigail Ferguson and Dylan Blaum; and one great-grandchild, Mason John-Tyler. She is the last of her immediate family. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, four sisters and one brother.

Dorothy had been the secretary at New Holland High School and Grade School. She was a member of First United Methodist Church of New Holland.

Dorothy's wishes were to be cremated.

A graveside service will be held at 10:00 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 7, 2013, at Richmond Grove Cemetery in New Holland with Rev. Becky Barrow officiating.

Memorials may be made in her memory to the New Holland Fire and Rescue.

Services were entrusted to Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln.

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John William Hassebrock Jr.

LINCOLN, IL - John William Hassebrock Jr., 95, went to be with the Lord on Saturday, Aug. 31, 2013, at 2:37 p.m. at Symphony of Lincoln.

John was born Aug. 14, 1918, in Eagle River, Wis., the son of John and Anna Maxheimer Hassebrock. He married Mabel Ruwe on Jan. 25, 1942, in Lincoln. She preceded him in death in 2003.

Surviving are his children: Eugene (Marsha) of Beason, Alfred (Doretta) of Kenney, twins, Edward (Wanda) of Lincoln and Edwin (Nancy) of Armington, and Lorraine (Ken) Wilmert of Bloomington. He is also survived by his sisters, Lois (Wilbur) Ruwe and Ethel Hein; brother, Glen (Muriel); sisters-in-law, Dolly and Erna Hassebrock. John has 11 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren, 7 step grandchildren, 22 step great-grandchildren and 10 step great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, parents, five brothers, two sisters and one great-granddaughter.

John was an U.S. [Army](#) Veteran. He was a farmer for many years and also worked at the Chevrolet dealership in Lincoln.

John was a member of Zion Lutheran Church; he volunteered at the Midwest Food Bank of Bloomington and was a member of the Antique Car Club and Antique Tractor Club.

John loved helping people and working in his garden. He enjoyed spending time with his children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and friends.

Funeral services for John will be held at 11:00 a.m., Friday, Sept. 6, 2013, at Zion Lutheran Church in Lincoln with Rev. David Ramirez officiating. A visitation will be held from 4-7 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 5 at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln and an hour prior to the service at the church. A burial will follow the service at New Union Cemetery in Lincoln.

Memorials may be made to Zion Lutheran Church, Midwest Food Bank, in Bloomington, Ill., or Memorial Hospice of Sharing Wishes.

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Zachary Taylor Braddy

EMDEN, IL - Zachary Taylor Braddy, 18, died Monday, Sept. 2, 2013, at St. Mary's Hospital in Centralia.

Born Aug. 16, 1995, in Centralia, he was the son of Kevin H. and Angela (Boatman) Braddy.

Zachary had just recently moved from his family home with his mother and stepfather in Emden to Bryon Manor in Centralia.

Though Zachary had multiple disabilities, he possessed a very outgoing spirit and never knew a stranger. He enjoyed being with his families and friends in both Emden and Salem.

Zachary loved his teachers, classmates and caretakers. He made many friends during his years attending school in Lincoln. Zachary enjoyed spending time at Christian Child Care with his Mom and the many children of all ages there. He enjoyed Sunday school and church services. Zachary enjoyed spending time with his grandparents and loved the way Grandpa Boatman could make him laugh. He loved petting and cuddling with "Julian" the family's pet cat.

Zach especially liked his younger brother and sister pushing him around in his wheelchair as he expressed abundant laughter. He enjoyed hearing his older sisters sing and his brother play the drums. He liked watching cartoons, listening to music, swimming and was especially fond of balloons; many balloons. He loved the sound of anything motorized and especially liked trucks, both real and toy, which included spending time at the Iuka Fire Station with the firetrucks that his Dad served on.

He was a St. Louis Cardinal fan. Watching football with his Dad was a special moment for both father and son.

Zachary is survived by his parents, Angela (Boatman) and Lee Reiners, and Kevin and Lacey (Middleton) Braddy. Also surviving are two brothers, Andrew of Salem, Ill., and Jesse Reiners of Atlanta, Ill.; three sisters: Makayla of Salem, Ill., Emily Reiners of Warrensburg, Ill., and Elizabeth Reiners of Atlanta, Ill.; grandparents, Larry and Linda Braddy of Walnut Hill, Ill., Paul and Mary Boatman of Lincoln, Ill., and Mark and Della Middleton of Kinmundy, Ill.; great-grandparents, Carroll and Arletha Crain of Kinmundy, Ill.; his nephew, Jaxson McMullen of Atlanta, Ill.; many aunts, uncles, cousins and a host of friends.

He was preceded in death by grandparents: John and Alta Braddy, Joe and Nancy Middleton, Bill and "Grandma Ginny" Strong, Cleo and Ruth Reiners, Robert and Stella Kinney and Russell and Lutie Boatman.

Funeral services will be 11:00 a.m., Thursday, Sept. 5, 2013, at the Rankin Funeral Home in Salem with Bill Cash officiating. Visitation will occur one hour before the service. Burial will follow at the Summit Prairie Cemetery.

A Memorial Service for family and friends will be held at the Jefferson Street Christian Church in Lincoln, Ill., at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 6, 2013. Dr. Tom Ewald will officiate. Friends may visit with the family one hour prior to the memorial service.

Memorials may be made to the Carol Jo Vecchie Women and Children's Center at St. Johns Hospital in Springfield, Ill.

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Juliett "Judy" Thompson

LINCOLN - Juliett "Judy" Thompson, passed away at 12:05 p.m. on September 3, 2013, at her residence.

She was born on January 3, 1927, in Lawrenceville, Ill., daughter of Stanley and Brittie Thompson Pierson. She married Herschel Thompson, Sr., in Lawrenceville, Ill., on March 10, 1941. He preceded her in death Dec. 4, 2001.

She is survived by three sons, Jim (Barbara) Thompson of Ellery, Ill., S. L. (Jane) Thompson of Lincoln, and Herschel (Debbie) Thompson, Jr., of Springfield, Ill.; two brothers, Alford Pierson of St. Louis, Mo., and David (Jean) Pierson of Bridgeport, Ill.; two sisters, Ethel Floy Smith of Portage, Ind., and Geraldine York of St. Francisville, Ill.; seven grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; and two step-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, one son, one brother, and one sister.

Judy worked for 28 years at Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital in the housekeeping and laundry departments. She also worked in Environmental Services at Lincoln Christian College. She was a member of Lincoln Christian Church and the Christian Corner Bible Class.

Services will be at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, September 10, 2013, at Lincoln Christian Church with Ron Otto officiating. Visitation will be from 3-6 p.m., three hours prior to service at the church. Local arrangements were entrusted to Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home, Lincoln. Memorials may be made to the Lincoln Christian Church or Herschel and Judy Thompson Memorial Scholarship.

There will also be a visitation Thursday, September 12, from 12-2 p.m. at the Little Prairie Christian Church, Rural Albion, Edwards County, IL. Services will be held at 2 p.m. Burial will be at Orio Cemetery in Allendale, Ill., following the service.

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Marian K. Robison

MASON CITY, IL - Marian K. Robison, 85, was called home by the Lord at 11:15 p.m., Sept. 7, 2013, at St. John's Hospice surrounded by her loving family.

She was born Jan. 19, 1928, the daughter of John and Velda (Legg) List in Mason City. She married Marshall Robison on May 18, 1946; he preceded her in death on Feb. 29, 2004, after nearly 58 years of marriage.

Surviving are her children: Richard "Dick" (Karen) Robison of Tarpin Springs, Fla., John (Cindy) Robison of Leesburg, Fla., Robert (Ginnie) Robison of Taylorville, Ill., Marsha (Pete) Bowers of Mason City, William "Bill" (Laura) Robison of Springfield, Mo., and Patricia (Dewayne) Pace of Damon, Texas; 13 grandchildren; 26 great-grandchildren; and her brother, Oren List of San Antonio, Texas.

She was preceded in death by her husband and parents.

Marian was a lifetime resident of Mason City. She was a member of the Mason City Christian Church where she also taught Sunday school. She was a Den Mother for the Cub Scouts for eight years. She graduated from Mason City High School and was a homemaker.

Funeral services for Marian will be held at Hurley Funeral Home in Mason City on Sept. 11, 2013, at 10 a.m. Visitation will be Sept. 10, 2013, from 6-7 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will follow the service at the Mason City Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Mason City Area Nursing Home.

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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Charles Everett Huffer

LINCOLN, IL - Charles Everett Huffer, 80, died at 12:58 p.m., Sept. 9, 2013, at St. John's Hospital in Springfield, Ill.

Charles was born July 23, 1933, in Waynesville, Ill., the son of Everett Paul and Mary Theresa Krenkel Huffer. He married Arlene Mae Hoffmeister on May 21, 1960, in Danville, Ill., and she preceded him in death on June 25, 1980. He then married June Limback Eeten on Oct. 22, 1988, in Lincoln; she survives in Lincoln.

He is also survived by his children: Jeff (Patty) Huffer of Lincoln, Suzie (Mike) Maxheimer of Chestnut, and Sherri (Corey) Clayton of Sherman; two sisters, Mary Ellen Bristow of Lincoln and Barbara Sue (Richard) Marcotte of South Carolina; eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

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

Charles retired from Eaton Corp as a Quality Control Inspector. He served in the U.S. Air Force; was a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church and the American Legion Post #263.

Services for Charles will be Saturday, Sept. 14, 2013, at 10:00 a.m. at Immanuel Lutheran Church of Lincoln with Rev. Thomas Kamprath officiating. Burial will be in Zion Cemetery with full military rites accorded by the Lincoln American Legion Post #263. Visitation will be Friday from 4-7 p.m. at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home, Lincoln.

Memorials may be given in his memory to the American Legion Post #263, [American Cancer Society](#) or Immanuel Lutheran Church of Lincoln.

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Glenn Albert Bottrell

SHERMAN, IL - Glenn Albert Bottrell, 84, formerly of Lanesville and Elkhart, died at 4:45 a.m., Wednesday, Sept. 11, 2013, at St. John's Hospice.

Mr. Bottrell was born Jan. 3, 1929, the son of Howard and Lucille Rice Bottrell, who preceded him in death. He married Mary "Terry" Freymuth on Jan. 17, 1953.

Mr. Bottrell was a graduate of Illiopolis High School and was a [Korean War](#) Veteran. He farmed his entire life in the Lanesville and Elkhart areas. He was a 4-H leader in the Lanesville area and received the Sangamon County Outstanding Young Farmer Award in 1957. He served on the Logan County Farm Bureau Board for nine years. Glenn initiated the first tractor pull in Logan County and served as Superintendent of the Logan County Fair Tractor Pull for many years. He also brought the first four-wheel drive tractor to Central Illinois in 1969.

Glenn was a DEKALB Seed Corn Dealer, a member of Elkhart American Legion Post #616, an honorary life member of Lincoln Knights of Columbus #1250, past member of Lincoln Elks, the Elkhart Homecoming Board, an usher at St. Patrick's Parish in Elkhart and a licensed realtor in the past.

Surviving are his wife of sixty years, Terry; one son, Paul (wife, Lori) of Lincoln; three daughters: Janet (husband, Jerry) Klockenga of Sherman, Kathy (husband, Rick) Kaesebier of Elkhart and Patti Davis of Mt. Pulaski; one sister, Lois Bottrell Bennett (husband Allan, deceased) of Springfield; ten grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

Visitation: 4-7 p.m., Friday, Sept. 13, 2013, at Staab Funeral Home with a prayer service at 4 p.m.

Lie-in-State: 10-11 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 14, 2013, at St. Patrick's Church in Elkhart.

Funeral Mass: 11 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 14, 2013, at St. Patrick's Church in Elkhart, with Rev. Glen Fontana and Rev. John Beveridge concelebrating.

Burial will follow at Elkhart Hill Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Renovation Fund of St. Patrick's Parish in Elkhart, Ill.

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Geraldine M. Heinzel

LINCOLN, IL - Geraldine M. Heinzel, 95, died at 7:25 p.m. on Sept. 9, 2013, at St. Clara's Manor in Lincoln.

Geraldine was born July 29, 1918, in Lincoln, the daughter of John and Clara Redman Hopp. She married Carl W. Heinzel on Jan. 31, 1939. He preceded her in death on Jan. 31, 2003.

Geraldine is survived by children: Donald (Mary) Heinzel of Peoria, Sandra Crews of Medford, Ore., and Shirlee (Gordon) Johnson of Lincoln; one brother, James W. (Diana) Hopp of Sun City West, Ariz.; 12 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, four brothers: Robert, Donald, Harold and Paul Hopp; and one sister, Nettie Jane Warden.

Geraldine worked as a switchboard operator, sales clerk for Spurgeons and then at JCPenney. She was a faithful member of Lincoln Hill Free Methodist Church where she was a Sunday School teacher, song leader, pianist and superintendent of Children's Church. She was a member of Women's Christian Temperance Union and Women's Missionary Society.

Services for Geraldine will be Saturday, Sept. 14, 2013, at 1:30 p.m. at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln with Rev. Aaron Johnson and Rev. Thomas Bryant officiating. Burial will be in New Union Cemetery, Lincoln. Visitation will be Friday from 5-7 p.m. at the funeral home.

Memorials may be given in her memory to the [Alzheimer's Association](#) Greater Illinois Chapter.

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Carol D. "Sonny" Litwiller

LINCOLN - Carol D. "Sonny" Litwiller, 81, of Lincoln, formerly of Armington, passed away at 9:57 p.m., Tuesday, September 10, 2013, at Memorial Medical Center in Springfield.

He was born January 12, 1932, in Hopedale to Roy M. and Martha H. Nolder Litwiller. He married Betty J. Laun on September 9, 1956, in Emden, and she survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Mark Litwiller of Danvers, Rob (Gloria) Litwiller of Atwood, and Eric Litwiller of Danvers; one daughter, Judy (Mark) Cooley of Hummelstown, Pa.; seven grandchildren, Luke Litwiller, Jessica Litwiller, Jennifer Litwiller, Ryan Cooley, Kiersten Cooley, Stacey (Jared) Trough, and Hilary LeHew; two great-grandchildren, Michael Frantz and Andrew Trough; two sisters, Joan (Barney) Bright of Morton and Jean Stark of Bloomington.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one son, Neil Litwiller, in 1973, and one sister, Marzella Litwiller.

Sonny farmed in the Delavan and Armington areas and retired from the Carpenters Local Union 63 in Bloomington.

He served in the United States Army.

He was active in [St. Jude Children's Research Hospital](#) fundraisers, and enjoyed mission work, fishing, and hunting.

He was a member of Jefferson Street Christian Church in Lincoln, where a celebration of life service will be at 3 p.m., Saturday, September 14, 2013. Pastor Dustin Fulton will officiate. Visitation will be from 12 noon to 2:45 p.m., Saturday, also at the church. Burial will be in Oak View Cemetery in Armington. Davis Mortuary in Hopedale is handling the arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to [St. Jude Children's Research Hospital](#) .

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Wilbur Carl

Paulus

LINCOLN, IL - Wilbur Carl Paulus, 78, died Saturday, Sept. 14, 2013, at his home.

He was born Sept. 24, 1934, in Lincoln to Carl and Mabel (Gehlbach) Paulus. They preceded him in death.

He is survived by his wife, Alice (Dierker) Paulus, whom he married Dec. 15, 1956; daughter, Becky (Leland) Semple of Hartsburg; son, Randall (Terri) Paulus of Lincoln; son, Kent (Lynn) Paulus of Lincoln and daughter, Lori (Rod) Christensen of Grayslake, Ill.; 11 grandchildren: Kara Costello, Scott Semple, Erin Semple, Bret (Sami) Paulus, Kendall Paulus, Dustin Paulus, Ashley Paulus, Michelle Paulus, Emily Paulus, Katherine Christensen and Thomas Christensen; and two great-grandsons, Connor and Cale Costello. He is also survived by his sister, Lois (Wayne) Conrady of Lincoln, and nieces and nephews.

Wilbur graduated from Lincoln Community High School in 1952 and from Iowa State University in 1958 with a Bachelor's Degree in Farm Operation following a two year tour in the U.S. Army. He was a lifelong livestock and grain farmer in Logan County at the farm recognized by the State of Illinois as a Centennial Farm.

Wilbur was a lifelong member of St. John United Church of Christ in Lincoln. He was a former board member and officer of West Lincoln Elementary School Board and Lincoln Community High School Board of Education, and served on the Lincoln College Board of Trustees since 1994. Wilbur has been a member of the Logan County Zoning Board of Appeals for over 40 years, serving as the only Secretary of the Board. He also served on the Board of Directors of The First National Bank of Lincoln.

Wilbur was involved in several ag-related organizations at the state and national level including Illinois Pork Producers, serving as President; the National Livestock and Meat Board as the Pork Industry Group Representative; and Illinois FBFM Association as a Director.

Wilbur was recognized as an Outstanding Young Farmer in 1968, Prairie Farmer Master Farmer 1977. Wilbur and his family were honored as Illinois Pork Producer Association Farm Family of the Year in 2000.

He was an avid sports fan, especially of the Chicago Cubs.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m., Wednesday, Sept. 18, 2013, at St. John United Church of Christ in Lincoln with Rev. Jan Johnson officiating. A visitation will be held from 4-8 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 17 at St. John United Church of Christ and an hour prior to the service on Wednesday. Burial will follow at New Union Cemetery in Lincoln.

Memorials may be made to Lincoln College Heritage Museum or to St. John United Church of Christ.

Services were entrusted to Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln.

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Rebecca "Becky" Ann Coyle

LINCOLN, IL - Rebecca "Becky" Ann Coyle passed away at her home in Lincoln on Thursday, Sept. 12, 2013, at the age of 54.

Becky was born in Springfield, Ill., on Jan. 8, 1959, to Leroy and Harriet (Simmons) Auxier. She is survived by her companion, Don Kunkel; son, Jonathon (Tina) Frye of Lincoln; son, Justin (Pam) Frye of Mason City; son, Joshua List of Mason City; granddaughters, Makalya and Alexis Frye; her siblings: Chris Simmons of Jacksonville, Peggy (Terry) Pottorf of Mason City, Pamela Auxier of Jacksonville, and Sarah (Mark) Rickard of Mason City; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her son, Michael Frye, and her parents.

Becky worked in the assembly department at Eaton for 27 years, was a Member of FOE 2708 and Past President of Ladies Auxiliary. She was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary.

She will be missed by her loving 17 year old kitty, "Mew Mew."

A memorial service will be held Wednesday, Sept. 18, 2013, at noon at Hurley Funeral Home, with a visitation starting at 10:00 a.m. Curt McCallister will officiate.

Memorials may be made to Eaton's [Relay For Life](#) .

Hurley Funeral Home in Mason City is in charge of the arrangements. Online memorial messages may be left for the family at hurleyfh.com.

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Joseph J.

Grimsley

QUINCY - Joseph J. (Joe) Grimsley, 62, of Quincy, died at 2:30 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 12, 2013, after a lengthy illness.

Joe was born March 7, 1951, in Lincoln, Illinois, at the St. Clara's Hospital. Joe grew up and attended schools in Lincoln. While living in Lincoln Joe worked at both the Bottle and Box Factories. He also worked in food service and enjoyed spending time with children and his pets.

Joe was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Kandy Frye. Survivors include brothers and sisters, Charlie Grimsley of Springfield, John (Joyce) Grimsley, Helen Taft, Mary Frye, and Robert Frye, all of Lincoln.

Cremation rites have been accorded and no services planned.

Online condolences may be left at www.zrsc.com (Zehender-Robinson-Stormer-Cookson Funeral Home).

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Dorothy Moross

MOLINE, IL - Dorothy Moross, 88, formerly of Coal Valley, Ill., died Friday, Sept. 13, 2013, at Heartland Health Care Center in Moline, Ill.

Mass of Christian Burial will be 10 a.m., Tuesday, Sept. 17, 2013, at St. Maria Goretti Catholic Church, 210 E. 22nd Ave., Coal Valley, IL. Burial will be at Coal Valley Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Treehouse Humane Society in Chicago, Ill.

Dorothy was born Nov. 24, 1924, in Lincoln, Ill., the daughter of August and Ida (Gaddis) Trommer. She married Edgar Franklin Moross in February of 1951, in Lincoln, Ill., and he preceded her in death in 1977.

Dorothy worked as a housecleaner for Johnson Contracting and was a member of St. Maria Goretti Catholic Church. She was very active in church: going on youth group retreats and spending hundreds of hours working in the kitchen preparing and serving food.

Dorothy loved cats very much and throughout the years she had several; although, she always held a special place for her beloved, Clariee. Gardening was a favorite of Dorothy's. She had planted hundreds of onions and loved to can pickles.

Often Dorothy would go camping with her "Honorary Sister" Barb Herbert's family. She very much enjoyed the time they all spent together.

Survivors include her daughter, Linda Moross of Coal Valley, Ill.; son, Steve Moross of Moline, Ill.; grandson, Nathan Moross of Fort Madison, Iowa; step granddaughter, Misty Reynolds; step great-granddaughter, Addyson Nelson; brother, Paul (Linda) Trommer of Lincoln, Ill.; many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband and eight other siblings: Leona, Carl, Bertha, Augie, Harold, Art, Sue, and an infant girl.

Esterdahl Mortuary & Crematory, Ltd. is serving the family. Online condolences may be left for her family by visiting esterdahl.com.

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Ethel "Tippy" Rogers

LINCOLN, IL - Ethel Nancy "Tippy" Rogers, 72, died at her home at 2:25 a.m., Sept. 2, 2013.

"Tippy" was born Nov. 30, 1940, in Lincoln the daughter of Gilbert and Florence Dugan Shaw. She married Gerald Max Rogers and he preceded her in death. She then married Ray Gross and he preceded her in death.

She is survived by one nephew, David (Sheryl) Hudson of Lincoln; one niece, Debbie (David) List of Seymour, Tenn.; granddaughters: Christy (David) Ayers and Angie (John) Harlow of Lincoln; a daughter-in-law, Diane Rogers of Lincoln; five great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandson; numerous great-nieces and great-nephews.

She was the last of her immediate family. She was preceded in death by both husbands; brothers, John and Richard; sister, Loretta Hudson; and one son, Gary Wayne Rogers.

"Tippy" was a homemaker and member of the Eagles Lodge. She loved fishing, playing lottery games and loved the St. Louis Cardinals.

A celebration of life will be held at 7:00 p.m., Friday, Sept. 20, 2013, at the Open Arms Christian Fellowship with Rev. Larry Crawford officiating.

Services were entrusted to Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Lincoln.

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Richard L. "Dick" Martin

LINCOLN, IL - Richard L. "Dick" Martin, 83, passed away Sept. 15, 2013, at home surrounded by his loving family.

Mr. Martin's wish was to be cremated. Memorial services will be at a later date.

Dick was born Jan. 7, 1930, in Lincoln, Ill., the son of Glen L. Martin and Maybelle (Rigg) Martin. He married Mary Sue Hawes on July 30, 1954 in Springfield, Ill.

Mr. Martin proudly served his country in the U.S. Army during the [Korean Conflict](#).

He retired from Eaton Corporation after many years of service. He was also a self-employed electrician in the area for many years.

Surviving are his wife, Mary Sue Martin of Lincoln, Ill.; his daughter, Anne Satterfield (John) of Lincoln, Ill.; his daughter, Becky Whitfill (Steve) of Oakley, Ill.; his grandchildren: Aaron Whitfill, Sarah Satterfield and Nicholas Satterfield; great-grandson, Noah Satterfield; and his sister, Joyce Moore of California.

Dick will be remembered for his work ethic, his honesty, his vast electrical knowledge, and his love for his family.

Memorials may be made to Parkinson's Research or to Memorial Home Hospice.

Holland Barry & Bennett Funeral Home in Lincoln has been entrusted with his care.

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Delores F.

Bree Bale

LEROY - Delores F. Bree Bale, 81, of LeRoy, Ill., formerly of Lincoln, died at 1:55 p.m., September 18, 2013, at Liberty Village of LeRoy, LeRoy, Ill.

Delores was born December 25, 1931, in Lincoln, Ill., the daughter of William and Nelda Yardley Sullivan. She married Lowell Bree in 1951 and was divorced. She later married Lyle Bale and they were divorced.

Delores is survived by one son, Steven (Karen) Bree of Bloomington, Ill.; three sisters-in-law, Dorothy Sullivan of Spokane, Wash., and Wilfrieda Sullivan and Harriett Sullivan, both of Lincoln; one granddaughter, Kaitlin (Ryan Odom) Bree of Weatherford, Texas; and several nieces and nephews.

Delores retired from GTE after working in the service department in Lincoln and Bloomington, Ill. She was a member of IBEW Union.

Delores' wishes were to be cremated. Graveside services will be held at a later date. Services were entrusted to Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home, Lincoln.

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Linda Marie

Morgan

LITTLETON, CO - Linda Marie Debelak Morgan died at 12:20 a.m., Wednesday, Sept. 11, 2013, at Littleton Adventist Hospital in Littleton Colo., after a prolonged battle with cancer.

Linda was born in Lincoln, Ill., on March 27, 1947, to Mary and Simon Debelak. Linda married Bob Morgan on Feb. 14, 1976, at St. Mary's.

Linda was raised in Lincoln, graduated from Lincoln Community High School in 1965, and attended Illinois State University in Bloomington. She worked as a flight attendant for TWA for 18 years and retired in 1988 when they adopted their son, John Morgan. Linda and Bob lived in Western Springs until the family moved to Littleton, Colo., in 1990.

Linda is survived by her sister, Patricia Power; her brother, Robert Debelak; her son, John; her husband, Bob; four cousins; and 14 nieces and nephews.

Services for Linda will be held at St. Mary's Cemetery in Lincoln, Ill., on Saturday, Sept. 28, 2013, at 12:30 p.m. Immediately following the services, a luncheon will be held at the Knights of Columbus located at 217 Limit St. in Lincoln.

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Geraldine "Deany" Baker

MIDDLETOWN, IL - Geraldine Mae "Deany" Baker, 69, passed away Sept. 18, 2013, at home surrounded by her family.

Visitation will be from 5-7 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 22, 2013, at Holland Barry & Bennett Funeral Home in Lincoln. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m., Monday, Sept. 23, 2013, also at the funeral home. Burial will follow in Irish Grove Cemetery, Middletown.

Deany was born Dec. 8, 1943, in Middletown, Ill., the daughter of Richard Raymond Skelton and Mable (Wilson) Skelton. She married Earl Baker on Feb. 14, 1971, in Villa Grove, Ill.

She retired from Aramark in 2010 after 15 years of service.

Surviving are her mother, Mable Skelton and Bill; her husband, Earl Baker of Middletown; her children: Tony and Dennis McNew of Farina, Ill., Shelly Jackson of Dewitt, Ill., Curt Baker of Bloomington, Ill., Angie and Joe Walker of Middletown, Ill., Kim Baker of Champaign, Ill., Ron Baker of Champaign, Ill., Mitzi and Rich Schulte of Towanda, Ill., Troy Baker of Middletown, Ill., Buddy Hill of Springfield, Ill., and Candy Hill of Springfield, Ill.; 33 grandchildren; 38 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; her siblings: Dick and Deb Skelton of Lincoln, Ill., Ruth Ann and Ernie Hoffert of Middletown, Ill., Joe and Kathy Skelton of Lincoln, Ill., Jenny and Harold Stout of Middletown, Ill., Jackie Poole of Mason City, Ill., Carol Renfro of Middletown, Ill., Cheryl Himes of Mason City, Ill., Sharon Marcum of Washington State, Deb and Bud Frakes of Middletown, Ill., Syb and Joe Liesman of Hartsburg, Ill., Billy Skelton of Middletown, Ill., Kelly and Rick Hoffert of Middletown, Ill., Tim and Judy Skelton of Mason City, Ill., and Rusty and Stacey Skelton of Middletown, Ill.; her faithful canine companion, C.C.; her long-time friend, Barb Bradley of Beardstown, Ill., and all kinds of nieces and nephews also survive.

She was preceded in death by her father; her daughter, Diana Allen; her son, Kenneth Earl Baker; her grandson, Justin "Bosco" Wahlsmith; her granddaughter, Chasity Wahlsmith; and her siblings, Pip Skelton, Patsy Skelton, Kasey Brooks and Jerry Skelton.

Deany loved cooking and crafts. She loved country music and enjoyed gardening as well as watching and feeding hummingbirds.

Memorials may be made to the Baker family and will be accepted at the funeral home.

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Connie B. Logan

LINCOLN, IL - Connie B. Logan, 64, passed away at 10:15 p.m., Monday, Sept. 16, 2013, at Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital.

Connie was born March 16, 1949, in Lincoln to Winfred and Jennie Green Allsopp. She was united in marriage to Richard "Rick" Peterson. She later married Edwin "Corky" Logan in Lincoln. He preceded her in death in 2003.

Connie is survived by her brother, William (Carla) Allsopp of California; sister, Peggy (Dennis) Miller of Pennsylvania; children: Paul Peterson of Virginia, Robin Logan, Nick Logan, Adam Logan, and Christopher Logan, all of Lincoln; two stepchildren, Terry Logan of Florida and Cindy Harris of Lincoln; grandchildren, Caitlin and Jaime Peterson; step grandchildren: Jeremiah, Justin and Johanna Logan, Sabrina Harris and Jamie Bone; and six great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her father; husband; son, Carl Logan; and brothers, Terry and James Allsopp.

Connie was a technician at Lincoln Developmental Center for 30 years.

Services for Connie will be held at 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 25, 2013, at Open Arms Christian Fellowship Church with Rev. Larry Crawford conducting services. Burial will be at Zion Cemetery following the service.

Memorials may be made to the family.

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Ludwika

Obrochta

LINCOLN, IL - Ludwika Obrochta, 89, formerly of Chicago, passed away on Wednesday, Sept. 18, 2013, at 11:58 p.m.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held Monday, Sept. 23, 2013, at 11:00 a.m. at Holy Family Catholic Church with Rev. Jeffrey G. Laible officiating.

Visitation will be held from 9:00 a.m. until time of Mass on Monday at the Church. The Rosary will be recited at 9:30 a.m. during the visitation.

Burial will be in St. Mary's Cemetery in Lincoln.

Ludwika Obrochta was born Feb. 2, 1924, in Poland the daughter of Jacek and Agnieszka Ukanus Parzatka.

She married Teofil Obrochta in 1942. He preceded her in death in 1980.

She is survived by her children: Mary (Andrzej) Obrochta of Bartlett, Ill., Anna (Stanley) Orbochta of Cary, Ill., Bernice Obrochta of Glenwood Springs, Colo., Tosia (Richard) Glazik of Lincoln, Valerie (Stanley) Koziel of Denver, Colo., Christine Miller of Denver, Colo., and Andrzej Obrochta of Lincoln; her siblings: Mary Rozalowski of Burbank, Ill., Olesia Parzatka of Poland, and Jacek Parzatka of Chicago; 21 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband.

Ludwika was a member of St. Gregory the Great Catholic Church in Burbank, Ill.

She retired from the City of Chicago from the Maintenance Department.

Memorials may be made to Carroll Catholic School.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to Peasley Funeral Home in Lincoln.

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Mabel L. Wilham

MT. PULASKI - Mabel L. Wilham, 76, of Mt. Pulaski, passed away at 3:48 p.m., Friday, September 20, 2013, at Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital in Lincoln.

Mabel was born on October 21, 1936, in Lincoln, Ill., daughter of Earl E. and Helen G. Kinder Holmes. She married Wayne Wilham on April 23, 1955, in Chestnut, Ill., he survives her. She was a member of the American Business Women's Association, the Mt. Pulaski American Legion Auxiliary, and a member of Mt. Pulaski Christian Church.

Mabel is also survived by one daughter, Diana (Jerry) Stoll of Chestnut, Ill.; one sister, Norma (Stan) Snider, of Chestnut, Ill.; three grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, son, Timothy, and three brothers.

Services for Mabel will be 10 a.m., Wednesday, September 25, 2013, at Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Mt. Pulaski with Mark Weber officiating. Visitation will be from 4-7 p.m., Tuesday, September 24, 2013, also at the funeral home. Burial will be at Steenbergen Cemetery after the service. Memorials may be made to the [American Cancer Society](#) .

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Edwin M.

Trummel

LANE - Edwin M. Trummel, 94, of Lane, Ill., passed away 12:45 p.m., September 21, 2013, at Dr. John Warner Hospital, Clinton, Ill.

Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m., Friday, September 27, 2013, at Calvert Funeral Home, Clinton, Ill., with Larry Trummel and Paul Milliken officiating. Burial will follow at Rose Cemetery, Lane, Ill., with military honors. Friends may call from 5–8 p.m., Thursday, September 26, 2013, at Calvert Funeral Home, Clinton, Ill. Memorials may be made to the Dr. John Warner Hospital Foundation or Fisher Center Alzheimer's Research Foundation.

Mr. Trummel was born May 23, 1919, in Creek Township, DeWitt County, Ill., the son of Lorin and Edna (Hartssock) Trummel. He married Ila L. Wantland April 16, 1939, in Clinton, Ill. She passed away January 20, 1994. He later married Jean Jones in May 1999. She passed away October 11, 2011.

Survivors included three sons, Milton (Joyce) Trummel, Lane, Ill., Marlyn Trummel, Lane, Ill., Larry (Pauline) Trummel, Livermore, Calif.; daughter, Janice (Don) Marshall, Lane, Ill.; ten grandchildren, two step- grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers and one grandchild.

Edwin was a [U.S. Navy](#) veteran, serving from 1944-1946. He was an electrician and a 72-year member of the IBEW Local 146 along with being a member of the Lane Christian Church where he served as a Sunday School Teacher and an Elder for many years.

Online condolences may be made at www.calvertmemorial.com

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Larry G. Horchem

LINCOLN - Larry G. Horchem, 66, of Lincoln, passed away September 22, 2013, at his home surrounded by his family.

In accordance with his wishes, there will be no services. Holland Barry & Bennett Funeral Home in Lincoln has been entrusted with his care.

Larry was born September 21, 1947, in Lincoln, Ill., the son of Wilbur and Jeanne (Pugh) Horchem. He married Georgia Gill on July 1, 1968.

Larry was a simple and private man.

Surviving are his wife, Goergia Horchem, of Lincoln, Ill., his children, Rodney (Jackie) Horchem of New Berlin, Ill., Gregory (Sara) Horchem of Lincoln, Ill., Janet (Kevin) Kraus of Nixon, Mo., and Christopher "Scott" (Amber) Horchem of Saybrook, Ill.; 12 grandchildren; brother, Gary Horchem; and sister, Debbie Swinford.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his brother, Steve Horchem.

Memorial donations may be made to Memorial Home Hospice.

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Eva Gaston

MATTOON, IL - Eva Jane Gaston, 78, passed away at 7:45 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 24, 2013, at Mattoon Healthcare.

Funeral Services honoring her life will begin at noon, Saturday, Sept. 28, 2013, at Schilling Funeral Home, 1301 Charleston Ave., Mattoon, IL with Rev. Tom Skinner officiating. Burial will follow at Millers Cemetery in Charleston, Ill.

Visitation for family and friends will be from 11 a.m.-noon on Saturday at the funeral home.

Eva was born Feb. 9, 1935, in Ashmore, Ill., the daughter of Orick David and Edith Irene (Justice) Cobble.

Survivors include her brother, George (Faye) Cobble of Charleston, Ill.; four children: Debra Gaston of Lincoln, Ill., Robert David Gaston of Lincoln, Ill., Terry (Eric) Zapletal of Buckley, Wash., and Kay (Brian) Hatten of Mattoon; six grandchildren: Robert (Lisa) Gaston Jr. of Atlanta, Ill., Joey (Stephanie) Gaston of Mt. Pulaski, Ill., Michael Frakes of Sabastian, Fla., Ehren (Gretchen) Zapletal of Champaign, Ill., Jessica (Jason) Warren of Mattoon, Ill., and Sean Zapletal of Buckley, Wash.; and six great-grandchildren.

Eva was preceded in death by her parents, three brothers and two sisters.

Eva devoted her life to caring for others. She was an in-home caregiver for Lincolnland Visiting Nurses and a housekeeper for the Odd Fellow Rebecca Home.

She enjoyed singing, dancing and traveling. Most of all in life, Eva loved spending time with her family.

Memorials in her honor may be given to The Alzheimer's Foundation.

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Jerry Leigh Ruple

SAN ANTONIO, TX - Jerry Leigh Ruple, 63, of San Antonio, Texas, formerly of Lincoln, died at his home on September 18, 2013.

Jerry was born December 12, 1949, in Lincoln, Ill., the son of Robert M. and Eleanor Auer Ruple (Lamm). He was never married.

He is survived by his mother of Lincoln; one brother, Elmer M. Ruple, of Decatur; two sisters, Roberta Joy Wadman of St. Augustine, Fla., and M. Denise (John) Williams of Fountaintown, Ind.; three step-brothers, Jeff (Connie) Lamm, Marvin C. (Alisha) Lamm, Roger (Jule) Lamm; nine nieces and nephews; and fourteen great-nieces and great-nephews. He was preceded in death by his father; step-father; uncle, Carroll Auer; grandparents, Leota Ruple and Elmer and Lucille Auer.

Jerry served as a Green Beret in the U.S. Army and was a member of Lincoln Christian Church. He was manager of Action Pawn Shop in San Antonio, Texas.

Jerry's wishes were to be cremated. Services will be at a later date with burial in Zion Cemetery, Lincoln.

Obituary submitted by Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home, Lincoln.

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Christopher J. Schilling

DAWSON, IL -

Christopher J. Schilling, 52, formerly of Mt. Pulaski, passed away at 12:46 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 25, 2013, at his home.

Christopher was born in Peoria, Ill., on Aug. 21, 1961, son of Gerald and June Belt Schilling.

He worked for the Illinois State Police as an Information System Analyst, loved technology, and enjoyed working with computers.

Christopher is survived by his father, Gerald Schilling, and friend, Marge Von Bokel of Belleville, Ill.; his brother, Stephen (Chris) Schilling of Lincoln, Ill.; his niece, Danielle (Andy) Meister of Mt. Pulaski, Ill.; and two aunts, Betty (Ron) Simmonds and Shirley Carriger, both of Belleville.

He was preceded in death by his mother, June Schilling.

Cremation rites were performed, and a private burial will follow at a later date at Mt. Pulaski Cemetery.

Arrangements are entrusted to Fricke-Calvert-Schrader Funeral Home in Mt. Pulaski.

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Janice Elaine Harmony

SPRINGFIELD, IL - Janice Elaine Harmony, 44, died at 6:58 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 12, 2013, at Memorial Medical Center.

She was born Oct. 8, 1968, in Wilmington, N.C., to Durwood and Kaye Yeates Swinson. She married David J. Harmony on Jan. 14, 2006; he survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Danielle Swindel of Springfield; mother, Kaye Swinson (Leonard Kemp) of Springfield; four brothers, Daniel Scott (Diana) Swinson of Edinburg, David Kemp (fiancée, Amy Crew), Kevin Kemp and Michael Kemp all of Springfield; ex-husband, Don Swindel of Springfield; several aunts and uncles; many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Her father preceded her in death on July 1, 1973 in Wilmington, N.C.

Janice worked for fourteen years for the Sangamon County Circuit Clerk's office.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Danielle Swindel College Fund c/o Illinois National Bank, 322 E. Capitol Ave., Springfield, IL 62701.

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