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Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Sunday, January 2, 2011

James F. Becker, 82, Las Vegas, Nev., passed away Monday, Dec. 27, 2010 at Mountain View Hospital, Las Vegas, Nev. He was born July 1, 1928 in Peru, and graduated from Ball State University in Muncie. James was an administrator in education in the Clark County Schools for 30 years. He also served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He had a wonderful full life thanks to Lake Mead fishing, fine tennis courts and outstanding golf courses. There was no other city like Las Vegas, and he proved his love for it by being a resident for 50 years. When it became evident that he had fished, golfed and played the courts enough, he was checked in to the health facilities at El Jen, where he received outstanding care from their entire skilled staff. His friends and family made his life complete and he once told one of his fishing buddies he wasn't afraid of dying, but living too long. He was ready for a new adventure with God's help. James is survived by his wife of 55 years, Beverly Becker; and daughter, Deborah Ann Becker, California City, Calif. James was preceded in death by his parents, Fred and Rose (Heitzman) Becker; and sisters, Mary Elizabeth Diver and Dorothy Boatz. Visitation will be from 3 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 4, at Palm Mortuary, 7400 W. Cheyenne Ave., Las Vegas, Nev. Graveside service will be at noon Wednesday, Jan. 5, at Southern Nevada Veterans Memorial Cemetery, 1900 Buchanan Blvd. Donations can be made to a charity of your choice. People may sign the online guest book at www.reviewjournal.com/obituaries.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, January 4, 2011

John E. Miller, 96, of rural Kokomo, Indiana, passed away at 1:44 p.m. Sunday, January 2, 2011, at St. Joseph Hospital in Kokomo. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, January 6, 2011, at Howard-Miami Mennonite Church, 1376 E. 1400 South. Burial will be at Mast Cemetery in Howard County. Friends may call from 4 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, January 5, 2011, at the church. Memorials may be made to the Howard-Miami Mennonite Church through the Laird-Eddy Funeral Home, 201 N. Main in Amboy. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Laird-Eddy Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, January 4, 2011

Ruth Tresler, 78, passed away in Orange Park, Florida. Arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third in Peru.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, January 5, 2011

Mrs. Agnes K. Ringle, 98, Rochester, passed away at 9:05 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 29, 2010 at Chase Center, Logansport. A celebration of the life of Agnes Ringle will be at 2 p.m. on Friday in the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Father Bert Woolson officiating. Interment will be in the Royal Center Cemetery. Friends may visit with the family from noon to 2 p.m. on Friday in the funeral home. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, January 5, 2011

Ruth M. Tresler, 78, formerly of Peru and Warsaw, passed away at 6 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 1, 2011 at her daughter's home in Orange Park, Fla. She was born in Peru on Oct. 13, 1932 to Donald B. and Gertrude (Cress) Leedy. She married Raymond Tresler on June 11, 1950 and he preceded her in death in 2005. Ruth graduated from Peru High School in 1950 and retired from Square D after 43 years. Ruth is survived by daughter Karen (Kenneth) Witt, Orange Park, Fla. and daughter Beth (Harold) Hill, Warsaw. She has four grandchildren, Derek Witt, Kristine Knowles, Tim Hawkins and Raymond Hill; six great grandchildren, Tyler Knowles, Megan Knowles, Braden Knowles, Danielle Witt, Brittany Hawkins and Tyler Hoyt. Also surviving is her sister, Shirley Holler of Austin, Texas. She was preceded in death by her husband Raymond, her parents, and a sister, Mildred "Babe" Cruikshank. A funeral service will be held Thursday at 2 p.m. at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St. with Kenny Cole officiating. Burial will be in Ever-Rest Memorial Park, Cass County. Friends may call at the funeral home from 11 a.m. Thursday until the time of service.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, January 5, 2011

Steven E. "Meats" Finicle, 51, Peru, passed away at 4:56 p.m. Monday, Jan. 3, 2011 at Dukes Memorial Hospital. Funeral arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third Street.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, January 6, 2011

Barbara J. Weller, 76, rural Denver, passed away at 9:10 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 5, 2011 at Wabash Skilled Care Center. Funeral services are pending at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, Roann.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, January 6, 2011

Ida G. Layne, 88, Rochester, passed away at 7:53 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 4, 2011 at Life Care Center of Rochester. A celebration of the life of Ida Layne will be at noon on Saturday in the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Interment will be in the Citizens Cemetery Rochester. Friends may visit with the family from 10 a.m. to noon on Saturday in the funeral home. Memorials may be made in her name to Hope Hospice of Fulton County. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, January 6, 2011

Penny G. Lennon, 61, North Vernon, formerly of Peru, passed away at 8:05 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 4, 2011 at her residence. She was born Nov. 1, 1949 in Rochester to John G. Musall Sr. and Lula Mae (Wilburn) Musall. She married Bruce Lennon July 30, 1967, and he survives. Penny was a homemaker. Survivors besides her husband include three sons, Brett Lennon and

wife Rhonda, Greenwood, Brian Lennon and fiancée April, Vevay, and Brad Lennon; a brother, John G. Musall Jr. and wife Deb, Manchester, Tenn.; a sister, Winnie Struble and husband Ed, Peru; and five grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents. A private funeral service is planned. Friends may call from 2 to 7 p.m. Friday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St. Memorials may be made to Bruce Lennon for a special fund.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, January 6, 2011

Steve Finicle, 51, passed away on Jan. 3, 2011 at Dukes Memorial Hospital in Peru after a lengthy and very courageous battle with ALS / Lou Gehrig's Disease. Steve had tried three different stem cell procedures in the country of Mexico, in hopes of reversing or slowing the progression of the disease, but had little results. He was a cancer survivor, having been diagnosed and treated for stomach cancer in 1997. Steve was born Oct. 16, 1959, to Ronald and Inge Mogler Finicle, both of whom preceded him in death. He was a 1978 graduate of Peru High School, where he was involved in football and baseball. He continued his athletic ambitions at Otero Junior College in LaJuanta, Colo., where he excelled as a baseball pitcher, having been named to three All-Tournament teams in two years and was scouted by several Major League baseball teams, including the Cubs, Reds, White Sox and Braves. A shoulder injury during a Cincinnati Reds tryout camp ended his baseball aspirations.

In 1983 he joined the U.S. Air Force, being stationed at Lackland, Keesler and Grissom AFBs, and played basketball for the traveling base team. After his stint in the military, he became a civil service employee from 1987 to 2001, working in the roads and grounds division at Grissom AFB, until the base was downsized. He continued employment at Grissom with Satellite Services, until joining his final employer, Data Monitoring Systems, where he worked until 2007 when the disease took over. During this time, Steve also coached at Peru High School for the girl's JV softball team, and the girl's freshman and JV basketball teams over a six-year period. While coaching the girl's freshman basketball team, he became the first coach to lead the team to an undefeated season, including a thrilling double-overtime victory over a Maconaquah squad that was previously unbeaten. Steve also served as an IHSAA girls basketball official for 11 years, as well as a youth baseball and softball umpire for nine years. Steve was also a big fan of Purdue University athletics, the Chicago Cubs, Chicago Bears and the Indianapolis Colts. Steve was also an avid softball player -- playing from 1980 until 2005. He played on numerous teams in central Indiana, as well as on traveling teams that played in dozens of states across the country. His teams won countless league titles, Tournament titles and four Indiana state tournament titles. His individual achievements included numerous home run, runs batted in, on base percentage and hits awards, including being referred to as the "reincarnation of Willie Mays" in a local sports article, after having had 29 hits in 32 plate appearances during a Haynes-Apperson softball tournament in Kokomo. In 2008, Steve was given the highest individual honor for softball, by being voted into the Indiana Softball ASA Hall of Fame. But even with all of the accolades and accomplishments, Steve's biggest and most cherished honor was being asked to throw out the first pitch for the inaugural season of the Challenger Division of the Peru Little League, which offers special needs children the opportunity to play baseball in a league environment. He referred to this as one of his proudest moments. Steve is survived by his daughter, Krysten, and son Austin of Peru. Also by his brother Tom and wife Mary of Wabash, brother Rob and wife Ashlee of Kokomo, and sister Debbie of Sarasota, Fla., nephews Ryan, Ryne, Andrew and Jeffrey, and nieces Brittany, Karlee and Danielle. Special acknowledgement goes to his nephew Stefan, and Stefan's girlfriend Samantha Caldwell, for all of the care and comfort they brought to Steve throughout the duration of his illness. Steve's request to be cremated will be honored. Friends may call from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday followed by a memorial service at 3 p.m. Saturday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home in Peru. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Challenger Division of the Peru Little League through the funeral home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, January 6, 2011

Thelma "Skeet" Wanneetah Oldfather, 90, Miami, passed away at 10:40 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 4, 2011 at her home. She was born in Marion on Aug. 22, 1920 to Elmus and Anna (Kiger) Flemming. She married Verlin "Bud" Oldfather on Jan. 4, 1937, and he preceded her in death. Thelma was a member of the Miami United Methodist Church, and worked for Hooks Drug Stores. She lived the last 74 years of her life as a resident of Miami. She enjoyed astrology, flowers and bird watching. Thelma is survived by her sons, Verlin (wife Carolyn) Oldfather, Oaklondon, Brad L. Oldfather, Kokomo, Chad D. (wife Laura "AJ") Oldfather, Garland, Texas; grandchildren, Robin Medon (husband Craig), Kristina Mayon (husband Robert), Amber White (husband Jamie), Aaron Oldfather, Crystal Stogher, Staci Sweares (husband Lee), Heather Catron (companion Scott Plough), and Jason Catron; two step grandchildren, Kaylynn Sweares, and Leslie Johnson (husband Bradley); and great-grandchildren, Robert Mayon II, Mathew Medon, Sarah Medon, Andrew Catron, Ariana Sweares, Meaira Ridehour, Madisyn White, Malorey White and Kash Carter French. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; three sisters, Ardella Harper, Marita Power, Phyllis Zollman; and one brother, Durwood Flemming. A funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday at Allen Funeral Home, 136 S. Elm St., Bunker Hill, with Pastor Larry Zehring officiating. Burial will be at the Galveston Cemetery, Galveston. Friends may call at the funeral home Friday from 4 to 7 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to the Southern Care Hospice.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, January 7, 2011

Barbara Jean Weller, 76, rural Denver, passed away at 9:10 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 5, 2011 at Wabash Skilled Care Center. She was born March 12, 1934 in Peru to Robert and Lucille (Butt) Fouts. She married Raymond E. Weller at the Chili Methodist Church on Nov. 19, 1955; he passed away Sept. 14, 2007. Barbara was a 1952 graduate of Chili High School. She was a member of the Roann Church of the Brethren. She enjoyed sewing, reading and her grandchildren. Barbara and her

husband, Raymond, took several mission trips. They made two trips to Jamaica, one trip to India and two trips to Tijuana. They also traveled extensively. She is survived by her two children, Rae Jean (Lewis) Wallace, Akron, and David A. Weller, Peru; four grandchildren, Aaron Weller, Peru, Dakota Wallace, Indianapolis, Devin Wallace, Akron, and Brandon Weller, Peru; two great-grandchildren, Richelle Weller and Brooklyn Weller, both of Peru; and her sister, Beverly Neff, rural Peru.

Funeral services will be held at Roann Church of the Brethren on Saturday at 10 a.m., with the Rev. Brad Eckerley officiating. Burial will be in the Roann Community Cemetery, Roann. Friends may call from 2 to 7 p.m. Friday at Grandstaff-Hentgen Roann Chapel, 335 S. Chippewa Road, Roann, and one hour prior to service at the church. Preferred memorial is to Billy Graham's Samaritans Purse for Freshwater Wells in India. The memorial guest book for Barbara may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, January 7, 2011

Kenneth Roland, 59, Mexico, passed away at 4 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 5, 2010 in his residence. Funeral arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, January 7, 2011

Lester H. Robison, 82, Peru, passed away on Thursday, Jan. 6, 2011 at his residence. He was born in Wabash County on Feb. 5, 1928 to Isam and Elsie Marie (Smith) Robison. He was married to Ann Helton on Oct. 28, 1966 and she survives. Lester was a private pilot for over 60 years. He was an avid pilot and instructor. He owned Robison Homes, a business which built many homes in the area. From 1945 to 1947, he served as Military Police in the U.S. Army. He also served as a prison guard at Sugamo Prison in Tokyo, Japan, and earned the World War II Victory Medal and Army of Occupation Medal. Lester is survived by his wife, Ann (Helton) Robison; his sons, Neil (Kathy) Robison, Mobile, Ala., Karl (Teri) Robison, Bunker Hill, and Les Michael "Mike" Robison, Indianapolis; his daughters, Julie Smith, Indianapolis, Jill (Dominick) Imperio, Ocala, Fla., and Joy Robison, Cos Cob, Conn; two sisters, Lois Ann Hudson and Lorene Hill; and two step-children, Brenda L. (Allen) Luster and Larry L. (Heidi) Mosher. Also surviving are 10 grandchildren and three great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents. A funeral service will take place at 2 p.m. Sunday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., with Pastor Phil Cruea officiating. Burial will take place in Mt. Hope Cemetery, Peru. There will be a military committal service at the cemetery. Friends may call from 2 to 7 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to Hope Hospice, Rochester.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, January 7, 2011

Robert C. Craig, 61, Logansport, passed away at 8 p.m. Monday, Jan. 3, 2011 at his residence. He was born Feb. 25, 1949 in Rochester to William P. and Til (Livengood) Craig. Bob graduated from Akron High School in 1968. He worked for Wilson Meat Packing Company for over 25 years, was a lifelong motorcycle rider and loved playing cards. Survivors include his mother in Rochester; his father in Akron; a sister, Phyl Olinger, Rochester; a brother, Jeff Craig and wife Jan, Jackson, Calif.; one niece; two nephews; one great niece and one great nephew. He was preceded in death by his twin brother, William O. Craig, who passed away Dec. 23, 1987. Private burial will take place at the Akron Cemetery, Akron. Visitation will be from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron. Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of the donor's choice. Online condolences may be made at www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, January 7, 2011

Weldon L. Turner, 72, Peru, passed away at 10 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 6, 2011 at St. Joseph Hospital in Fort Wayne. Funeral arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, January 8, 2011

Clint T. Mauller, 30, Marion, passed away at 3:10 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 6, 2011 at Marion General Hospital, Marion. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Monday at Laird-Eddy Funeral Home, 201 N. Main, Amboy, with the Rev. Rex Dobson officiating. Burial will be at Park Lawn Cemetery, Amboy. Friends may call from 2 to 8 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, January 8, 2011- Tuesday, January 11, 2011

Kenneth F. Roland, 59, Mexico, passed away at 4 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 5, 2011, in his residence. He was born in Dayton, Ohio, on April 9, 1951 to Joseph W. and Biola B. (Bollheimer) Roland. Although divorced now, he was married to Beth for 37 years. Kenneth served the Indiana State Police for 28 years, and was the Miami County Sheriff for eight years. He was a member of the Peru Maennerchor, a charter member of the Mexico Lion's Club, a member of the Knights of Columbus, a member of the Blue Knights motorcycle club, and a member of QB, a flying club. He was a member of the Saint Charles Catholic Church. Kenneth is survived by his sons, Matthew J. (Anna) Roland, St. Louis, Mo., and Brian P. Roland, Whitefish, Mont.; his brothers, Ronald W. (Karen) Roland, McKinney, Texas, Daniel P. (Jan) Roland, Wabash, and Timothy J. Roland, McAllen, Texas; and a sister, Lois Ann (Al) Turner, Westminster. He is also survived by three grandchildren, Alexander, Gavin and Kennedy. He was preceded in death by his parents. A funeral service has been planned for Tuesday at 10 a.m. in the Saint Charles Catholic Church, 58 W. Fifth St., with the Rev. Francis I. Kilcline III officiating. Burial will take place in the Crown Hill Cemetery, Indianapolis. Friends may call from noon until 7 p.m. Monday at the Miami County Community Building, 1029 W. 200 North. Memorial Contributions may be made to the Wabash-Miami County Home Health and Hospice, or to a favorite charity in memory of Kenny. Funeral arrangements were entrusted to the Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, January 8, 2011

Paul LeRoy "Cap" Hodson, 68, Kokomo, passed away Monday, Jan. 3, 2011 in his home. A funeral service will be held at noon Saturday at Shirley and Stout Funeral Home, Jefferson Street Chapel, 414 W. Jefferson St., Kokomo, with Steve Cole officiating. Burial will follow in Converse Cemetery, Converse. Friends may call from 11 a.m. until the time of service on Saturday. Messages of condolence may be left online at www.sherleyandstout.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, January 8, 2011

Weldon L. Turner, 72, Peru, passed away at 10 a.m. Jan. 6, 2011 in the Saint Joseph Hospital, Fort Wayne. He was born in Peru on July 16, 1938 to Charles and Gertrude B. (Grimes) Hurlock Turner. He was married to Lona (Johnson) Turner on September 22, 1960 and she survives. Weldon served in the U.S. Navy and Army Reserves. He served on the USS Hancock, CVA19. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge and Bunker Hill Fish and Game. He enjoyed fishing, camping, hunting and spending time with his family. He is survived by his wife; his daughters, Kimberly (Jeff) Deniston, Kokomo, and Kristi Craig) Brown, Peru; his sons, David Turner, Peru, and John (Gail) Turner, Wabash; his grandchildren, Haylee Deniston, Sara Bowen, Braxton Deniston, Mark Thompson Jr., Cody Turner, Zach Thompson and Cami Brown; a brother, Larry (Shirley) Murphy, Florida; and a sister, Barbara (Norm) Knowlton, Peru. Several nieces and nephews also survive. Weldon was preceded in death by his parents, a brother and a granddaughter, Brittany Turner. A funeral service will take place at 1 p.m. Monday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., with the Rev. John Thomas officiating. Burial will be in the Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru. Friends may call from 11 a.m. until the time of service Monday at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to the Riley Hospital for Children.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, January 10, 2011

Edwin Dale Harness, 74, of La Fontaine, Indiana, passed away at 11:14 a.m. Friday, January 7, 2011, at his residence. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, January 11, 2011, at McDonald Funeral Home, La Fontaine Chapel, 104 S. Main Street, La Fontaine, with family providing the eulogy. Burial will be at Gardens of Memory, Huntington County. Visitation for friends and family will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Monday, January 10, 2011, at the funeral home. Preferred memorials can be directed by St. Jude Research Hospital in care of the funeral home. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.mcdonaldfunerals.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, January 10, 2011

Henry F. "Bud" Patterson, 95, Peru, passed away at 5:49 p.m. Friday, Jan. 7, 2011 at Miller's Merry Manor, Peru. He was born April 2, 1915 in Peru to Russell and Maria (Butzin) Patterson. He married Genevieve M. Hann July 30, 1938, and she preceded him in death June 1, 1996. Henry was a retired scale inspector from the Norfolk/Western Railroad. He was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church, a participant in Miller's Merry Manor Sweetheart Contest in 2009-10, a member of the Peru Maennerchor and Literary Aid Society. He also enjoyed fishing, hunting and traveling. Survivors include several nieces and nephews; two brothers, Norman L. Patterson and Raymond Patterson, both of Peru; and a sister, Emma Lennon, California. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife; a brother, James Patterson; and two sisters, Mary Lennon and Thena Chandler. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at St. John's Lutheran Church, Peru, with Pastor Kenneth Greenwald officiating. Burial will be in Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru. Friends may call from 3 to 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, January 10, 2011

Jessie C. Newman, 91, Peru, passed away at 1:15 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 9, 2011 at Dukes Memorial Hospital. Funeral arrangements are pending at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main St.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, January 10, 2011

Marietta Studebaker, 76, Peru, passed away at 11:55 p.m. Friday, Jan. 7, 2011 at Miller's Merry Manor of Peru. She was born April 26, 1934 in Lee County, Ky. to Leonard and Amy (Willis) Smith. She married Junior F. Studebaker March 18, 1961, and he preceded her in death March 7, 2009. Marietta was a homemaker. Survivors include two daughters, Sherryll Correll and husband Larry, Rochester, and Dessa Overly and husband Glen, Peru; two grandchildren, Amy Wright and James Wright; two great-grandchildren, Chloe and Noah Wright; and two brothers, Larry Smith and wife Betty, Arizona, and Harry Smith and wife Joyce, Kentucky. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; five brothers, Hollingsworth, Ray, Howard, John P. and Cleveland Smith; three sisters, Pearl Smith, Margaret Smith and Vera Poor; and two children, Tommy Walsh and Collen Walsh. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., with Elder Jim Finch officiating. Burial will be in Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru. Friends may call from 4 to 7 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, January 11, 2011

Arnold Raver Jr., 80, Montpelier, passed away at 12:42 a.m. on Sunday, Jan. 9, 2011 at Lutheran Hospital of Indiana in Fort Wayne. A service to celebrate Arnold's life will be at Walker & Glancy Funeral Home, 109 W. Windsor St., Montpelier at 11 a.m. Wednesday, with the Rev. Troy Coffman and Rev. David Chinn officiating. Interment will be at Brookside Memorial Park in Montpelier. Millard-Brown American Legion Post #156 will conduct military graveside rites. Family and friends may gather to share and remember Arnold from 3 to 8 p.m. Tuesday and from 10 to 11 a.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to Montpelier-Harrison Township Cancer Society, 7319 E. State Road 18, Montpelier, IN 47359, or Blackford Animal Shelter, c/o Pam Bonham, PO Box 70, Hartford City, IN 47348. Online condolences may be sent to www.glancyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, January 11, 2011

Darlene E. Frederick, 80, Peru, passed away on Tuesday, Jan. 11, 2011 at Dukes Memorial Hospital. Funeral arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, January 11, 2011

Donald Mark Lee, 77, Amboy, passed away at 12:31 a.m. Monday, Jan. 10, 2011 at Dukes Memorial Hospital. A funeral service will take place at 2 p.m. Friday at the Laird-Eddy Funeral Home, 201 N. Main St., Amboy, with Pastor Dwight Elliott officiating. Visitation will be from noon to 2 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. Burial will be in Park Lawn Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to the Indiana Organ Procurement Organization. Online condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, January 11, 2011

Jessie C. Newman, 91, of Peru, Indiana, passed away at 1:15 p.m. Sunday, January 9, 2011, at Dukes Memorial Hospital in Peru. She was born in Braggs, Oklahoma on November 9, 1919, the daughter of John Henry and Marybell Adams Asher. Jessie married J. Howard Newman in Sapulpa, Oklahoma on April 7, 1939 and he preceded her in death on July 12, 2010. She and her husband, J. Howard, lovingly raised three children. A quiet woman of great faith, she was a member of the First Assembly of God of Peru. She and her husband operated a KOA campground in Corbin, Kentucky, retiring in 1982. Previously to that, she had also worked at General Motors in Anderson. Survivors include a daughter, Jerrie McCoy and her husband Ron of Peru; two sons Larry Newman and his wife Toi of Denver, Colorado and Terry Newman and his wife Mickie of Peru; grandchildren Jeffrey A. Langley, Melissa A. Jones, Isaac H. Newman, Heather L. Newman, Holly B. Munson and Angella D. Powell; and 14 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband J. Howard Newman; three sisters; six brothers; and a grandson. A service celebrating the life of Jessie C. Newman will be held at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, January 12, 2011, at the First Assembly of God, 365 Monroe Avenue in Peru with Pastors John Thomas and J. Litherland officiating. Burial will follow at Peoria Cemetery in Miami County. Family and friends will gather from 5 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, January 11, 2011, at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 West Main Street in Peru. Online condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, January 11, 2011

Mark A. Clem, 48, Peru, passed away at 1 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 4, 2011 at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. He was born in Logansport on Aug. 10, 1962 to Butch and Marjorie (Parrish) Clem. He worked as a laborer. Mark is survived by his daughters, Patricia Clem, Kokomo, and Heather Clem, Peru; and his son, Joshua Lambrecht, Peru. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, January 11, 2011

Michael Leshner, 71, Peru, passed away at Dukes Memorial Hospital on Tuesday, Jan. 11, 2011. Funeral arrangements are pending at Allen Funeral Home, 136 S. Elm St., Bunker Hill.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, January 11, 2011

Richard C. Doran, 87, of Peru, Indiana, passed away at 2:52 a.m. Monday, January 3, 2011, at Dukes Memorial Hospital in Peru. He was born in Peru on August 4, 1923, the son of Clyde and Ron Kindig Doran. Richard was a graduate of Peru High School and as part of America's Greatest Generation, he enlisted in the US Navy in 1942. A WWII veteran, his military decorations include the Good Conduct Medal, the Asiatic Pacific Service Medal, the African Middle Eastern Service Medal and the WWII Victory Medal. Dick was a retired engine tender with the C & O Railroad and a member of the American Legion Glen Owens Post 14. Survivors include a brother, Joe Doran and his wife Marlene of Peru; nieces Cheri Snyder and her husband Lawrence of Peru and Debbie Morris of Peru; and a nephew Mark Doran and his wife Amy of Springfield, Illinois. Graveside services for Richard C. Doran will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, January 15, 2011, at Mt. Hope Cemetery in Peru with Pastor Larry Moslener officiating. Military graveside services will be provided by members of the Miami County Military Rites Unit. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 West Main Street in Peru. Online condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, January 12, 2011

Darlene E. Frederick, 80, Peru, formerly of Milwaukee, Wis., passed away at 4:20 a.m. Jan. 11, 2011 at Dukes Memorial Hospital. She was born in Menomonee Falls, Wis. on March 22, 1930, to Elmer and Mary (Zanders) Buck. She was married to Everrette C. Frederick on Sept. 22, 1951 and he preceded her in death on Dec. 5, 1980. Darlene was a retired bookkeeper at Lakefront and Billing. She was a member of the Ladies Auxiliary and VFW for 43 years, and a member of the Ladies Club with six special friends for 50 years. She is survived by her sons, Brian (Shelly) Frederick, Waukesha, Wis., and Dale (Penny) Frederick, Peru; her grandchildren, Jared and Joshua Frederick, Waukesha, Wis.; her brother, Dennis (Irene) Buck, Deerbrook, Wis.; and her step-brother, Robert (Betty) Horton, Milwaukee, Wis. Several nieces and nephews also survive. Darlene was preceded in death by her husband, Everrette C. Frederick; her parents, Elmer and Mary (Zanders) Buck; two brothers and two

sisters. A funeral service will take place at 12:30 a.m. Monday in the Fox River Christian Church, S46 W24130 Lawnsdale Rd., Waukesha, Wis., 53151, with Pastor John Mundt officiating. Burial will take place in Sunnyside Cemetery, Waukesha, Wis. Friends may call from 4 to 7 p.m. Friday at the Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St, or from 11 a.m. to 12:30 a.m. Monday at the Fox River Christian Church. There will be a Ladies Auxiliary Service at 7 p.m. at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, January 12, 2011

Marvin L. Balsbaugh, 88, Marion, passed away at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 11, 2011 at Millers Merry Manor, Marion. He was born in Peru on Feb. 27, 1922 to the late Noah and Hester (Alspaugh) Balsbaugh. He was married to Patty Balsbaugh, Marion, and she survives. Marvin was a graduate of Peru High School. He attended Ball State, where he played football. He was a well-known ballplayer in the Peru area, where he played basketball, baseball and football. He was a U.S. Navy WWII veteran, serving in the South Pacific. He also retired from General Motors in 1985 after 30 years. Marvin is survived by his wife, Patty Balsbaugh, Marion; and his children, Lee Balsbaugh, Marion, Michael (Marcia) Balsbaugh, Marion, and David (Sandy) Balsbaugh, Indianapolis. He was preceded in death by his parents; his daughter, Janelle Buck; and a brother, Clyde Balsbaugh. Private family services will be held at a later date, with funeral arrangements by Needham Storey Wampner Funeral Service, 1341 N. Baldwin Ave., Marion. Entombment will be in Gardens of Memory, Huntington County. Memorials may be directed to the Humane Society. Online condolences may be made at www.nswcares.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, January 12, 2011

William "Smitty" Smith, 89, Peru, passed away at 3:45 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 12, 2011 at 5460 North and 550 East, Twelve Mile. He was born in Banlear, Kentucky on Jan. 8, 1922 to Paris E. Smith and Cora A. (Osborne) Smith. He was married to Edith (Levsay) Smith on March 22, 1947 and she preceded him in death on Nov. 4, 1994. William was a World War II Army veteran and a 31 year member of the American Legion. He was a life member of the Eagles, VFW and Literary Aid Society. He was a carpenter and a retired maintenance worker for the Peru Foundry. He is survived by two sisters, Jaunita Wilson, Peru, and Lillie Denney, Florida. Several nieces and nephews also survive. William was preceded in death by his wife, Edith (Levsay) Smith; his parents, Paris E. and Cora A (Osborne) Smith, and two brothers, Everette and James E. Smith. A funeral service will take place at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Flowers Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St. Burial will be in Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru. There will be a military committal service by the Miami County Military Honor Guard. Friends may call from 9 a.m. until the time of service Saturday at the funeral home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, January 14, 2011

Mrs. Esther F. Books, 95, of Rochester, Indiana, passed away at 6:45 p.m. Wednesday, January 12, 2011, at Life Care Center of Rochester. A celebration of the life of Esther Books will be at 11 a.m. Monday, January 17, 2011, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St. in Rochester. Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Friends may visit with the family from 1 to 3 p.m. Sunday, January 16, 2011, and one hour prior to the service on Monday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the Hope Hospice of Fulton County. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, January 14, 2011

Harry R. Sundine, 83, Brownsburg, formerly of Rochester, passed away peacefully at Yellow Rose Hospice, Methodist Hospital, Indianapolis, on Jan. 13, 2011. A celebration of the life of Harry Sundine will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Chaplain Jason See will officiate. Friends may visit with his family from noon until 2 p.m. Burial will be at the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Full military rites will be accorded by the Manitou VFW Post and the Leroy Shelton American Legion Post. Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association. Condolences and shared memories may be sent to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, January 14, 2011

Lester Dee Carvey, 89, Macy passed away on Thursday, Jan. 12, 2011 in the home where he was born. Born March 24, 1921 near Macy, he was the son of Lester S. and Madge A. Calloway Carvey. On Jan. 29, 1950 at the Fulton Baptist Temple, he married Donna Richter, and she survives. Dee was a lifetime member of Macy Christian Church and a member of the Macy Masonic Lodge and the Order of the Eastern Star. He was a U.S. Navy veteran, serving his country during World War II. After graduating from Macy High School, Dee graduated from the Indiana College of Mortuary Science in 1942 and worked for Shirley Brothers Mortuary, Indianapolis. After his father passed away, Dee returned to Miami County to manage and farm the family's land. He attended Manchester College, graduating with a bachelor's degree in education. He obtained his master's degree from Saint Francis College, Fort Wayne. He taught for over 40 years at schools in Burton, Plymouth, Peru, and Rochester, where he retired from Columbia Elementary School in 1985. Dee returned to funeral service in 1992, working at McClain Funeral Home, Denver. Dee is survived by his wife; one daughter, Kaye (Brad) Hermann, Macy; one daughter-in-law, Gloria M. Carvey, Rochester; three granddaughters, Tanya K. (Sean) McKee, Rochester, and their children, Kelsey, Kensey, and Karsyn; Lisa A. (Shane) Reffett and their son, Jack Carvey Reffett; and Stacey A. (Lukas) Carvey-Schoenhals, all of Rochester; one sister, Aretha P. Peterson, Omaha, Neb.; one brother-in-law, Harry (Dorothy) Richter, Rochester, and one sister-in-law, Helen (Frank) Brucher, Logansport. In addition to his parents, one son, Lester Bruce Carvey, preceded him in death. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday at Macy Christian Church, with Pastor David Welsh officiating. Burial

will follow in Plainview Cemetery, Macy with honors provided by the Miami County Military Rites Team. Visitation will be from 2 to 8 p.m. Sunday at McClain Funeral Home. A Masonic Service will be conducted at 7:30. Memorial contributions may be made to Hope Hospice or Macy Christian Church. Condolences may be left online at www.mcclainfh.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, January 14, 2011

Michael Lance Leshner, 71, passed away Tuesday, January 11, 2011. He was born August 19, 1939 in Miami, Indiana, the son of Alva and Margaret (Armstrong) Leshner. Michael graduated from Clay High School in 1957. He graduated from Ball State University with a BS degree in business, and also received his CPA license. He first worked as a CPA for Price Waterhouse, in Florida. Eventually, he moved back to Kokomo and opened his own CPA business with a partner, called Bond and Leshner. He later retired and went back to the job he really loved, which was farming. Michael loved the idea of owning land, farming, being outdoors and raising sheep. He also had a love of boating. He was very proud of his boating trip, in which he sailed from the Saint Lawrence Seaway down the east coast of the United States to the southern tip of Florida on his boat. He was an avid reader of history and he enjoyed jazz music. He was also a member of the Kokomo Zion United Methodist Church. He is survived by five children, Cassandra (Leshner) and Jamie Knolinski of Russiaville, Michele (Leshner) and Arne Pedersen of Zionsville, Lisa (Leshner) and David Van Vlerah of Dayton, Ohio, Lance and Sage Leshner of Portland, Oregon, and Lauren Leshner of Evansville; four grandchildren, Grace Ellen and Jyllian Knolinski, Faith Pedersen and Jesper Ivory Leshner; and cousins, Paul and Chiquita Kuntz of Kokomo, and Bill Kuntz. A memorial service will take place at 11 a.m. Saturday, January 15, 2011, at the Allen Funeral Home, 115 S. Elm St. in Bunker Hill, with Pastor J. Robert Clark officiating. Friends may call from 10 a.m. until the time of service at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to American Diabetes Association. Funeral arrangements were entrusted to the Allen Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, January 14, 2011

Robert L. Cox Sr., 78, Kokomo, passed away Sunday, Jan. 9, 2011 at Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne. Private services were held on Friday at Murray-Weaver Funeral Home in Galveston. Burial followed at Rankin Cemetery in Peru. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.murrayweaverfuneralhome.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, January 14, 2011

Thurman E. Agness, 99, of Peru, Indiana, passed away at 11 a.m. Thursday, January 13, 2011, at Miller's Merry Manor. Funeral service arrangements are pending at Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main in Peru.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, January 14, 2011

Thurman E. Agness, 99, Peru, passed away at 11 a.m., Thursday, Jan. 13, 2011 at Miller's Merry Manor, Peru. He was born in Howard County on Dec. 1, 1911 to Earl and Hazel Pence Agness. Thurman married Dorothy Reed on March 10, 1934, and she preceded him in death on Feb. 14, 1964. He married Marguerite "Peg" Woodmansee on May 28, 1966 at Main Street United Methodist Church, Peru, and she survives. Thurman was a 1929 graduate of Clay Township High School and a retired Miami County farmer. A man of great faith, he was an active member of McGrawsville United Methodist Church, where he served as a lay leader for over 30 years and also served as Sunday school superintendent for 24 years. Thurman is a former trustee of Methodist Hospital in Indianapolis and served as lay delegate to the Annual Methodist Conference for 30 years. Thurman and Peg wintered in Bradenton, Fla. for 34 years and he was active on various boards at Bradenton Castle, including serving as chairman of the Bradenton Castle Board of Directors. They thoroughly enjoyed traveling and traveled extensively throughout the U.S. and abroad. Thurman and Peg lived at Blair Ridge in Peru for the last nine years, and he was the unofficial "Mayor of Blair Ridge," as he took great interest in its operation. Thurman was a devoted husband, wonderful father and fun-loving grandfather. He will be remembered by his family and friends for many things, among them: his unwavering dedication to God and his church, his singing and musical ability, how he whistled while he worked, his incredible memory of family history, his frugality alongside his generosity, his uncanny ability to remember what things cost "back in the day," his storytelling, his enjoyment of leadership, his extensive knowledge of ditching (a family joke), his good business sense, and most of all, his unflinching integrity. Surviving in addition to his wife Peg is a daughter, Elaine Glassburn, Bunker Hill; a son, Jay (Kathy) Agness, Cedar Falls, Iowa; sisters, Geneva Willson, Kokomo, Ruthanna Borden, Peru and Carolyn (John) Einselen, Peru, a brother, Gene (Fern) Agness, Bradenton, Fla.; grandchildren, Teri (Doug) Roberts, Tami (Rick) Allison, Robyn (Bill) Gruber, Kari (Matthew) Halko, Susan (Kenneth) Larimer, Kevin Glassburn, Michael (Eliana) Agness and Marcia (Michael) Kochel; and great-grandchildren, Sarah Larimer, William Kochel, Kate Kochel, Brian Roberts, Bradley Roberts, Benjamin Allison, Bethany Allison, Abbie Allison, Bill Gruber Jr., Kellie Gruber, Jerrod Gruber, Julia Agness, Ryan Halko and Mason Parrott. He was preceded in death by his parents, his first wife, Dorothy, brothers Mark, Herman and Richard Agness and a sister, Beulah Harts.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, January 14, 2011

William Harold Smith, 89, Peru, passed away at 3:45 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 12, 2011 at 5460 North and 550 East, Twelve Mile. He was born in Van Lear, Ky. on Jan. 8, 1922 to Paris E. Smith and Cora A. (Osborne) Smith. He was married to Edith (Levsay) Smith on March 22, 1947 and she preceded him in death on Nov. 4, 1994. William was a World War II Army veteran and a 31 year member of the American Legion. He was a life member of the Eagles, VFW and Literary Aid Society. He was a carpenter and a retired maintenance worker for the Peru Foundry. He is survived by two sisters, Jaunita Wilson, Peru, and Lillie Grace Denney, Florida. Several nieces and nephews also survive. William was preceded in death by his wife,

Edith (Levsay) Smith; his parents, Paris E. and Cora A (Osborne) Smith; two brothers, Clifford Everette and James E. Smith; and a sister, Geneva Smith. A funeral service will take place at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., with Pastor E.J. Litherland officiating. Burial will be in Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru. There will be a military committal service by the Miami County Military Honor Guard.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, January 17, 2011

Henry Allen Mongosa, 67, Macy, passed away on Saturday afternoon, Jan. 15, 2011 on his family farm. He was born June 3, 1943 in Perrysburg to the late Lyman Vance and Eathel Fay Walker Mongosa. On Feb. 5, 1965 in Logansport, he was married Dixie Diane Hiatt, and she survives. He loved riding horses and playing shuffleboard. He was a member of the Miami Indians of Indiana and his Indian name was Na-cot-a-Kosh-sah (Horse). Surviving with his wife are four children, Lonny L. Mongosa and wife Wendy, Boris J. Mongosa, Tim A. Mongosa, and Sis L. Miller and husband Will, all of Macy; eight grandchildren; two brothers, Delmar Mongosa and wife Beverly, and T. Joe Mongosa, all of Macy; and four sisters, Eclista Birner and husband Sam, Peru, Doris Harshman and husband Dick, Kokomo, Carolyn Knauff and husband Harry, Denver, and Helen Alexander and husband Dennie, Denver. He was preceded in death by one brother, Lyman "Rudd" L. Mongosa. Funeral services will be private. Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver. Condolences may be left online at www.mcclainfh.com

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, January 17, 2011

Thomas C. Sailors, 69, Walton, passed away at 12:28 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 16, 2011 at his residence. He was born Oct. 24, 1941 in Carroll County to Frances (Sterrett) Bechdolt and Paul Bechdolt. He was adopted by Bill Sailors. Thomas married Bonnie (Berlet) Reutebuch Sailors Nov. 25, 1962 in Walton, and she survives. He graduated from Logansport High School in 1959 and attended Purdue University and LeTourneau University in Longview, Texas. He was a farmer, owner of Sailor's Service Center in Walton and retired from Home Depot in Logansport in 2007. Thomas was a member of Gideons International since 1971, serving in many capacities, an elder in his church for many years at New Life Alliance Church. He served on the Board of Child Evangelism Fellowship and the Washington Township Advisory Board. He enjoyed woodworking, his family and his trip to Hawaii when celebrating his 45th wedding anniversary. He shared his love of firearms with his family and was an avid Purdue sports fan. Survivors besides his wife include two sons, Dan Reutebuch and wife Brenda, and Scott Sailors and wife Tammy, all of Walton; three grandchildren, Chris Neal, Chad Sailors and Nick Sailors; two brothers, Ron Bechdolt and wife Connie, Florida, and Dan Sailors and wife Sue, Kewanna; several nieces and nephews; and a brother-in-law, Jack Berlet and wife Judy, Walton. He was preceded in death by his parents. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at New Life Alliance Church, 3529 High St., Logansport, with Pastor Fred Drye officiating. Burial will be in Bruner Cemetery, Walton. Calling will be from 3 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at Murray-Weaver Funeral Home, Galveston, and one hour prior to services at the church. Memorials may be made to Gideons International and Child Evangelism Fellowship. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.murrayweaverfuneralhome.com

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, January 17, 2011

Thurman E. Agness, 99, Peru, passed away at 11 a.m., Thursday, Jan. 13, 2011 at Miller's Merry Manor, Peru. He was born in Howard County on Dec. 1, 1911 to Earl and Hazel Pence Agness. Thurman married Dorothy Reed on March 10, 1934, and she preceded him in death on Feb. 14, 1964. He married Marguerite "Peg" Woodmansee on May 28, 1966 at Main Street United Methodist Church, Peru, and she survives. Thurman was a 1929 graduate of Clay Township High School and a retired Miami County farmer. A man of great faith, he was an active member of McGrawsville United Methodist Church, where he served as a lay leader for over 30 years and also served as Sunday school superintendent for 24 years. Thurman is a former trustee of Methodist Hospital in Indianapolis and served as lay delegate to the Annual Methodist Conference for 30 years. Thurman and Peg wintered in Bradenton, Fla. for 34 years and he was active on various boards at Bradenton Castle, including serving as chairman of the Bradenton Castle Board of Directors. They thoroughly enjoyed traveling and traveled extensively throughout the U.S. and abroad. Thurman and Peg lived at Blair Ridge in Peru for the last nine years, and he was the unofficial "Mayor of Blair Ridge," as he took great interest in its operation. Thurman was a devoted husband, wonderful father and fun-loving grandfather. He will be remembered by his family and friends for many things, among them: his unwavering dedication to God and his church, his singing and musical ability, how he whistled while he worked, his incredible memory of family history, his frugality alongside his generosity, his uncanny ability to remember what things cost "back in the day," his storytelling, his enjoyment of leadership, his extensive knowledge of ditching (a family joke), his good business sense, and most of all, his unflinching integrity. Surviving in addition to his wife Peg is a daughter, Elaine Glassburn, Bunker Hill; a son, Jay (Kathy) Agness, Cedar Falls, Iowa; a step daughter-in-law, Barbara Powell, Bellefontaine, Ohio; sisters, Geneva Willson, Kokomo, Ruthanna Borden, Peru and Carolyn (John) Einselen, Peru; a brother, Gene (Fern) Agness, Bradenton, Fla.; grandchildren, Teri (Doug) Roberts, Tami (Rick) Allison, Robyn (Bill) Gruber, Kari (Matthew) Halko, Susan (Kenneth) Larimer, Kevin Glassburn, Michael (Eliana) Agness and Marcia (Michael) Kochel; and great-grandchildren, Sarah Larimer, William Kochel, Kate Kochel, Brian Roberts, Bradley Roberts, Benjamin Allison, Bethany Allison, Abbie Allison, Bill Gruber Jr., Kellie Gruber, Jerrod Gruber, Julia Agness, Ryan Halko and Mason Parrott. He was preceded in death by his parents, his first wife, Dorothy, stepson, Max and Jerry Powell, brothers Mark, Herman and Richard Agness, and a sister, Beulah Harts. A service celebrating the life of Thurman E. Agness will be held at 10:30 a.m. today at McGrawsville United Methodist Church, 9377 S. 300 East, Amboy, with Pastors Mark Hill and Kenny Cole officiating. Burial will be in Clymer Cemetery,

Miami County. Family and friends gathered from 2 to 6 p.m. Sunday at the church. Memorial donations may be made through the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home to the McGrawsville United Methodist Church. Online condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, January 18, 2011

Doyal Hunt, 79, of Peru passed away on Tuesday, January 18, 2011, 7:26 a.m. at Dukes Memorial Hospital. Arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, January 18, 2011

Judith Saucier, 68, Peru, passed away at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, January 18, 2011, at her residence. Arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third in Peru.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, January 18, 2011

Lena R. Stiver, 74, Syracuse, passed away Sunday, Jan. 16, 2011 at Goshen General Hospital. She was born April 24, 1936 on the family farm to Charles W. and Edith (Miller) Clark. On Aug. 15, 1954, she married Donald Stiver, and he survives. Survivors besides her husband include a daughter, Rachel Stiver, Syracuse; a son, Timothy (Donna) Stiver, Roann; sisters, Ruby (Fred Jr.) Rink, Millersburg, Grace (Hollis) Steele, Bristol, Catherine Pittman, Charlestown, Letah Loy, Goshen; a half-sister, Mary Householder, California; and two grandchildren, Jacob and Michaela Stiver, Roann. Preceding her in death are a son, Eugene J. Stiver; a sister, Goldie Stram; half-sisters, Clara Leer and Bernice Neff; and half-brothers, Carl Lehman, John, Glen, Phillip Clark. The funeral service will be at New Paris Church of the Brethren at 10 a.m. Thursday, with Pastor Stan Godfrey officiating. Burial will be in New Paris Cemetery. Visitation will be from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday and one hour prior to the service at the church. Memorials may be directed to the church or Heifer Project International. Rieth-Rohrer-Ehret Funeral Home, Goshen, is in charge of arrangements and online condolences may be sent at www.rrefh.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, January 18, 2011

Wallace L. Finster, 87, Greentown, died at 11:15 a.m. Friday, January 14, 2011 at St. Joseph Hospital. He was born December 3, 1923 in Miami County, the son of Carl and Gladys (Moss) Finster. Wallace was a 1941 graduate of Bunker Hill High School. After high school, he went to work on the farm with his father. After a few years of farming he went to work at Chrysler Corp. and eventually went on to work at Delco Electronics, where he retired in October 1994 after 42 years of service. He had been raised in the Bunker Hill Baptist church, where his mother was a member, but had been a member of Grace United Methodist Church since 1959. He enjoyed helping at their Thanksgiving dinner in conjunction with the Rescue Mission. He enjoyed spending time at the Purdue and Kokomo Libraries. He liked keeping up with the stock and watching the stock market. Wallace is survived by his four siblings, Eva Moore and her husband William of Noblesville, Noel Finster and his wife Hazel, Ralph Finster and his wife Betty, all of Bunker Hill, Laura Jean Gaskill and her husband George of Greentown; eleven nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and one nephew. A private graveside service will be held Monday, January 24, 2011 in Rankin Cemetery, Bunker Hill. A memorial service will be held at Grace United Methodist Church at a later date. Memorial contributions may be made to Grace United Methodist Church, 219 West Mulberry, Kokomo, Indiana 46901 or to First Baptist Church, 179 West Broadway, Bunker Hill, Indiana 46914. Shirley & Stout Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements. Messages of condolence may be made online at www.shirleyandstout.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, January 18, 2011

William Dale "Hooker" Pottenger, 85, Macy, died Tuesday, January 18, 2011 at 5:03 a.m. at Chase Center, Logansport. He was born April 5, 1925 in Miami County to Charles and Marie (Clingenpeel) Pottenger. William was retired from Exide Battery Corporation and was a member of the Perrysburg Baptist Church. Mr. Pottenger was a World War II Army Veteran and was a member of the Rochester American Legion, Kewanna V.F.W., and Peru Moose Lodge. William is survived by a daughter, Glenna Youngblood and husband Ron, Peru, a Son, Dan Pottenger and wife Elaine, Logansport, Sister, Margaret Blackburn, Logansport, Sister, Ethel Hyjeck, Connecticut, Brother, Marvin Pottenger and wife Barb, Denver, Brother, Paul Edward Pottenger and wife Mary, Rochester, Grandson, Aaron Youngblood and wife Debi, Marseilles, Ill, Great Grandchildren, Max and Madison Youngblood, Marseilles, Ill. He was preceded in death by one sister, Dorothy Orpurt. As per Hook's request, services will be private and there will be no visitation. You may sign the guest book and send online condolences at www.gundrumfuneralhome.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, January 20, 2011

Doyal E. Hunt, 79, Peru, passed away at 7:26 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 18, 2011 at Dukes Memorial Hospital. He was born in Howard County on April 18, 1931 to Sherman and Carrie (Snyder) Hunt. He married Connie Shoemaker on Aug. 11, 1957, and she survives. Doyal retired from the Peru Fire Department after 32 years. He served as the department's chief. He also served in the U.S. Army and co-owned Miami Trucking Company. He was a member of the Peru Maennerchor and the Fraternal Order of Police. He enjoyed playing golf and being outdoors and spending time with his family. Doyal is survived by his wife; a son, Jay (Lynn) Hunt, Peru; a daughter, Julie (Michael) Sisson, Peru; his grandchildren, Brooke and Adam Sheets, Carrie and Curtis Babbs, Carley Sisson and Drew Hunt; his grea-grandchildren, Ryne Babbs, Dawsen Babbs and Aiden Sheets; a brother, Raymond "RD" (Dorothy) Hunt, Issaquah, Wash.; and his sisters, Nany Ridenour, Wabash, Joyce (Galen) Smith, Rochester, and Doris Smith, Macy. Several nieces and nephews also survive. He was preceded in death by his parents; three sisters, Mable O'Donnell, Mary Fred, and Frances Creason; three brothers, Kenneth Hunt, Paul Hunt, and infant Charles

Edward Hunt; a niece; and two nephews. A funeral service will take place at 11 a.m. Saturday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., with Pastor Tim Powers and Pastor Phillip Cruea officiating. Burial will take place in Westlawn Cemetery, Denver. There will be a military committal at the cemetery. Friends may call from 2 to 7 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to the Peru Fire Department Scholarship Fund or the Miami County Military Rites Unit, in memory of Doyal E. Hunt.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, January 20, 2011

Judith A. Saucier, 68, Peru, passed away at 2:20 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 18, 2011 at her residence. She was born in Peru on Sept. 13, 1942 to Lemuel W. Garland and Dorothy M. (Downs) Garland. She married Robert A. Saucier on July 14, 1961, and he preceded her in death on June 9, 1999. Judith is a retired cook from the YMCA, and a former cook at the Knights of Columbus. She was a former member of the Eagles Lodge Auxiliary and the Knights of Columbus. She is survived by her daughter, Jean Ann (Aaron) Logsdon, Peru; her granddaughter, Jessica Logsdon, Peru; her grandson, Aaron (Susan Livings) Logsdon, Peru; and two great-grandsons, Aaron Michial "Mikey" Logsdon and Zachary Ryan Logsdon. A funeral service will take place at 11 a.m. Friday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., with Pastor Dick Wiles officiating. Burial will take place in Ever-Rest Memorial Park Cemetery, Cass County. Friends may call from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, January 20, 2011

Sandra Moonyeen McCrory Schram, 76, Saint Joseph, Mich., passed away Jan. 4, 2011, at her home in Saint Joseph. She was born on Aug. 21, 1935, in Indianapolis. A graduate of Broad Ripple High School in Indianapolis, she was a 1957 graduate of Indiana University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in communications. At IU, she was a member and past president of Kappa Alpha Theta sorority. Upon graduation, Sandra joined Crosley Broadcasting Corp. and became one of only three women working as television producer-directors at the time. Besides directing the late evening news along with other live shows, she also produced and directed Kindergarten College and Timothy Church Mouse. She married Daniel Conaway Schram, on July 16, 1960, at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Indianapolis, and he survives. She lived in Peru for 45 years where she was a member of the Peru Art Club, Tri Kappa and past president of the Indiana Symphony Society, among other organizations. She was president of Conaway Communications Corp., which owned radio stations WAYT-AM and WWIP-FM in Wabash. In addition to her husband of 50 years, Sandra is survived by her brother, Richard McCrory, Scottsdale, Ariz.; three sons, Christopher Schram, Chicago, Roderick Schram, Wabash, and Peter Schram, New Orleans, La., and six grandchildren, Gabriel, Sabrina, Cody, Cameron, Ryder and Terralyn. At her request, her body has been donated to science through the medical school at the University of Michigan. A memorial service will be held at a later date and will be led by Episcopal Priest Robert Bretscher, her husband's roommate while attending Culver Military Academy. She will be remembered for her punctuality, never wanting to inconvenience others and always being ready for the task at hand, including a wonderful job at raising three sons. She is deeply missed by all who knew and loved her.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, January 21, 2011

James Richard "Dick" Clemons, 71, Peru, went home to the Lord on Tuesday, Jan. 18, 2011. He was born April 13, 1939 in Peru to Walter H. Clemons and Alger Coleman Clemons. Dick was a devoted husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather. He worked for Freeman Loaders for many years and the N&W Railroad for 23 years. Dick loved to sit on his back porch to watch the deer and birds and listen to country music. He was a member of the Literary Aid Society and Eagles Lodge. In his spare time, Dick raised money for the Ronald McDonald House. He recently received an award of recognition for his contributions. Surviving are his wife of 48 years, Inita Clemons; children, Deborah Clemons and husband Rod, Peru, Kim Taylor and husband Russ, Belleville, Ill., and Richard Clemons and wife Tracie, Peru; five grandchildren, Shane and Colton Clemons, Peru, Jared Clemons and wife Gabbi, Peru, and Travis and Kyle Taylor, Belleville, Ill.; one great-granddaughter, Isabella Clemons, (Papper's little angel), Peru; one sister, Susie Sparks, Peru; one brother, Raymond Clemons and wife Geneva, Baxter, Tenn.; and other relatives and many friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, Walter H. Clemons and Alger Coleman Clemons; three brothers, Ralph, Charles and Alfred Clemons; and two sisters, Elizabeth Mabery and Mabel Wilson. Friends may call from 2 to 3 p.m. Saturday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St. Memorial services will be held immediately following visitation, with the Reverend George Dinkel officiating. Burial will be at Mount Hope Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Ronald McDonald House: Ronald McDonald House of Indiana, 435 Limestone St., Indianapolis, IN 46202-2819.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, January 21, 2011

Mark A. Clem, 48, Peru, passed away at 1 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 4, 2011 at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. He was born Aug. 23, 1962 in Logansport to Butch and Marjorie (Parrish) Clem. Mark worked as a laborer, but later became disabled. Survivors include his mother; his daughters, Tricia Clem, Kokomo, and Heather Clem, Peru; a son, Joshua Lambrecht, Peru; two brothers, Don and Jim Clem; two step brothers, Tom and John Clem; a step sister, Katie Clem; and seven grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his father and a sister. Mark was cremated. Funeral arrangements were handled by Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, January 22, 2011

Bernard Paul "Bernie" Weiland, 84, Rochester, passed away at 7:45 a.m. Friday, Jan. 21, 2011 at Hickory Creek at Rochester. A celebration of the life of Bernard Weiland will be at 4 p.m. on Monday in the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with the Rev. Junior Bose officiating. Military rites will be conducted by the Leroy Shelton American Legion No. 36 and the Veterans of Foreign Wars No. 1343. Friends may visit with the family from noon to 4 p.m. on Monday in the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the United Ministries Food Pantry, or the Veterans of Foreign Wars #1343 of Rochester. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, January 22, 2011

Posey T. Mills, 75, Bunker Hill, passed away at 4:50 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 20, 2011 at Dukes Memorial Hospital, Peru. Funeral arrangements are pending at Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main St

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, January 24, 2011

DeWitt "Jay" Stuart, 88, Peru, passed away at 10:33 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 22, 2011 in his residence. He was born April 29, 1922 in Cass County to Mary Margaret (Sheetz) and DeWitt Stuart Sr. He married Mary Catherine Selleck Jan. 8, 1965 in Logansport, and she survives. Jay retired from Arone Hardware in 2010 after eight years of service. He had also worked at Big R for 25 years and Colonial Oil for 13 years. He enjoyed working on lawnmowers, watching NASCAR, eating apple dumplings, and spending time with his friends and especially his grandchildren. Jay attended the Center Church near Young America. Survivors besides his wife include a daughter, Lisa Newman and husband John, Kokomo; two sons, Steve Stuart and wife Beth, Logansport, and Bill Hoffman and wife Tammy, Peru; two brothers, Milton Stuart, Logansport, and Kenneth Stuart and wife Brinda, Arizona; seven grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; two nephews, John Stuart and wife Carolyn, Lewisburg, and Duane Stuart and wife Kay, Logansport; and two nieces, Marylou Morgan and husband Mike, Logansport, and Stephanie Henson and husband Greg, Georgia. He was preceded in death by one brother, Marlin Stuart; and one daughter, Patty Ann Stuart. Funeral services will be at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at Gundrum Funeral Home, Logansport, with the Rev. Johnny Thompson and Rev. John Newman officiating. Burial will be in Ever-Rest Memorial Park, Logansport. Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the Center Church at Young America. People may sign the guest book and send online condolences at www.gundrumfuneralhome.com

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, January 24, 2011

Gerald "Gerry" B. Renfrow, 69, Peru, passed away at 4:15 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 22, 2011 at Northwood Village, Kokomo. He was born Nov. 15, 1941 in Arbyrd, Mo. to Jeff and Clara Bell (Taylor) Renfrow. He married Cleo "Joy" Pierce, and she survives. Gerry was a retired brakeman from the N&S Railroad. He served in the U.S. Air Force from 1961 to 1968. Survivors besides his wife include a daughter, Ginger Mettler and husband Vince, Denver; a son, Gerald Renfrow Jr. and wife Tracey, Peru; three grandchildren, Andrew Mettler, Knoxville, Tenn., Emily Renfrow and Shalyn Renfrow, both of Peru; a great-grandchild, Tray Mettler, Macy; three brothers, Gene Renfrow and James "Buddy" Renfrow, both of Arbyrd, Mo., and Gary Renfrow, Paragould, Ark.; and four sisters, Peggy Short, Arbyrd, Mo., Carolyn Forbes, Paragould, Ark., Sue McNiell, Missouri, and Dana McCoy, Leachville, Ark. He was preceded in death by his parents. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., with Pastor Michael Eaton officiating. Burial will be in Ever-Rest Memorial Park, Cass County, with a military committal service planned. Friends may call from noon until time of service Tuesday at the funeral home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, January 24, 2011

Kathryn Lois Morgan, 93, passed away Saturday, Jan. 22, 2011 at Colonial Oaks Rehab in Marion. She was born May 22, 1917 in Bowen, Ky. to Cain and Nana Rankin Briscoe. She was married to Ollie Morgan Dec. 24, 1938, and Ollie passed away July 26, 2001. She enjoyed Elvis Presley music and bird watching. Kathryn retired from the Miami County Courthouse as a custodian. She attended Pilgrim Holiness of Peru. Survivors include a brother, Chester Briscoe, Leeco, Ky.; a daughter, Lois Starkey (Jim), Swayzee; a son, Allen Morgan (Rachel), Logansport; a daughter-in-law, Shirley Morgan, Wabash; grandchildren, Joe Starkey (Annette), Peru, Sue Ramos (David), Peru, Jimmy Starkey (Yvonne), Casselberry, Fla., Rick Morgan (Judy), Silver Lake, Dorene Poor (David), Lagro, Randy Morgan (Rhonda), Ijamsville, Teresa Halstead (Richard), Wabash, Shawna Morgan, Peru, and Aaron Morgan (Gina), Peru; 29 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren. Kathryn was preceded in death by her parents, three brothers, three sisters, one son, one grandson, one great-granddaughter and one great-grandson. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., with the Reverend Jim Long will lead the service. Burial will be at Springdale Cemetery, Bunker Hill. Kathryn's grandsons will be her pallbearers. Kathryn's viewing will be Tuesday from 4 to 7 p.m. at the funeral home. Special thanks to Colonial Oaks Nursing Home and New Hope Hospice, both of Marion, for their care of Kathryn during her last days.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, January 24, 2011

Phillip "Buck" Bruce, 72, Peru, passed away at 6:08 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 22, 2011 at St. Joseph Hospital, Kokomo. Funeral arrangements are pending at Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main St.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, January 24, 2011

Randal Alan "Randy" Cress, 52, Twelve Mile, passed away Saturday, Jan. 22, 2011 at his residence. He was born Feb. 2, 1958 in Miami County to Roger E. and Janice K. Fishback Cress. He was a 1977 graduate of Caston High School, and he

attended Skinner Worship Chapel near Twelve Mile. He loved working at his family's business, Cress Garage, in Twelve Mile as well as watching racing, gardening, riding his motorcycles and spending time with his nieces. Survivors include his mother, Janice, and companion Frank N. Small Jr.; two brothers, Bruce E. Cress and wife Lori, and Kent R. Cress, all of Twelve Mile; four nieces, Kayley Cress and companion James Motz, Plainfield, Vicky Von Defuher, Tilberg, Netherlands, and Kimberly A. and Katherine J. Cress, both of Twelve Mile; one uncle, Ronald Fishback and wife Diana, Largo, Fla.; and several cousins. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver, with Pastor Tom Robbins officiating. Burial will be at Ever-Rest Memorial Park, Logansport. Visitation will be Tuesday from 2 to 8 p.m. at the funeral home. Condolences may be left online at www.mcclainfh.com. Memorial contributions may be made to the Twelve Mile First Responders.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, January 24, 2011

Wendell H. Vincent, 76, Amboy, passed away at 8:37 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 23, 2011 at St. Joseph Hospital, Kokomo. Funeral arrangements are pending at Laird-Eddy Funeral Home, Amboy.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, January 25, 2011

Posey T. Mills, 75, Bunker Hill, passed away at 4:50 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 20, 2011 at Dukes Memorial Hospital in Peru. He was born in Boones Mill, Va., July 22, 1935 to Clarence Thomas and Ethel Angel Mills. Posey was a self-employed painter. A man of many titles -- companion, brother, dad and grandfather -- he will live on in all of our memories and thoughts forever. Surviving is his companion, Mary Pettit, Bunker Hill; a son, Michael Mills; four daughters, Annette Mills, Tammy Sizemore, Becky Mills and Wendy Mills; a sister, Nancy Foley; a brother, Carlton Mills; six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. There will be no visitation or funeral service. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main St., Peru. Condolences may be made online at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, January 26, 2011

Gerald A. "Trap" Hunt, 73, Logansport, passed away at 10:15 p.m. Monday, Jan. 24, 2011 at St. Vincent Seton Specialty Hospital in Indianapolis. He was born in Cass County Nov. 1, 1937 to Kermit and Edith Hunt. Gerald was a retired conductor with the C & O Railroad and a member of the National Rifle Association. Survivors include a son, Chad Hunt, North Grove; a daughter, Holly Brown, Logansport; a grandson, Matthew Roach; three brothers, Thomas Hunt and wife Pat, Rolla, Mo., William Hunt, Logansport, and David Hunt, Chesterton; and three sisters, Bess Austin, Orlando, Fla., Shirley Young, Syracuse, and Carol Jones, Winamac. He was preceded in death by a son, Shawn Hunt. A gathering in remembrance of Gerald A. Hunt will be held from 2 to 5 p.m. Saturday at the Laird-Eddy Funeral Home, 201 N. Main, Amboy. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to the American Diabetes Association. Condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, January 26, 2011

Phillip E. "Buck" Bruce, 72, Peru, passed away at 6:08 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 22, 2011 at St. Joseph Hospital in Kokomo. He was born in Winifrede, W. Va. on April 5, 1938 to William H. and Augusta Meadows Bruce. Buck married Carolyn S. Williams in Charleston, W. Va. on July 15, 1958, and she preceded him in death on July 20, 2008. Buck served as a noncommissioned officer in the U.S. Air Force for 27 years, retiring as a senior master sergeant in 1983. His military decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal, Air Force Commendation Medal, Air Force Outstanding Unit Award, Air Force Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Air Force Overseas Short Tour Ribbon and Air Force Longevity Service Award Ribbon. Buck was a member of the Bunker Hill Free Will Baptist Church and a life member of the Miami County VFW Post 2067. He is survived by sons, Phillipa E. "Sam" Bruce Jr., Peru, and Alan K. Bruce, Washington, D.C.; a sister, Mary Snodgrass, Troy, Mich.; brothers, Bobby Ray Bruce, Wattsburg, Pa., and Eaul "Jack" Berman, Spotsylvania, Va.; a sister-in-law, Joann Sunday, Peru; several nieces and nephews, including special nephews Teddy Turley and Steve Waselchalk. Buck was preceded in death by his parents; his wife of 50 years, Carolyn; and eight siblings. A memorial service celebrating the life of Phillip E. "Buck" Bruce will be held at 3 p.m. Saturday at the Free Will Baptist Church, 279 W. Broadway, Bunker Hill, with Pastor Bill Sheets officiating. The family will receive friends at the church prior to the service. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main St., Peru. Condolences may be made online at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, January 27, 2011

Betty Coon, 86, Peru, passed away at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 26, 2011 at her residence. Funeral arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, January 27, 2011

Wendell H. Vincent, 76, Amboy, passed away at 8:37 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 23, 2011 at St. Joseph Hospital in Kokomo. He was born in Miami County on March 29, 1934 to Laurel Estel and Helen M. Gordon Vincent. Wendell married Janet Ann Larrison at the Amboy Friends Church on July 31, 1954, and she survives. Wendell was a 1953 graduate of Clay Township High School and a U.S. Army Korean War Veteran. His decorations include the National Defense Service Medal and the Good Conduct Medal. Wendell was a retired Miami County farmer. Wendell had a passion for living which one couldn't help but notice. He had an infectious love for life, family and friends. He was a devoted husband, father, grandfather and great-

grandfather. Wendell's favorite tractor was his Minneapolis – Moline and he thoroughly enjoyed playing golf. He was a member of the Amboy Friends Church, the Amboy American Legion and a former member of the Meshingomesia Country Club. Survivors include his wife of more than 56 years, Janet Ann Vincent, Amboy; three daughters, Stephanie Fruth and husband Michael, Carthage, Lezlie Woods and husband Kevin, Peru, and Beth Getzin and husband Scott, Greenfield; a son, Roger Vincent and wife Lisa, Amboy; a sister, Beverly Overman and husband Earl, Peru; a brother, Wayne Vincent and wife Jane, Richmond; a sister-in-law, Virginia Vincent, Freeport, Maine; grandchildren, Brad Fruth and wife Laura, Emily Tumbleson and husband Clint, Stephen Fruth, Jordan Woods, Hannah Woods, Parker Woods, Rachel Warner and husband Nathan, Kelsey Getzin, Devin Vincent and Sean Vincent; and great-grandchildren, Isabel Fruth, Ruby Fruth and Stella Tumbleson. He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Murray Vincent. A service celebrating the life of Wendell H. Vincent will be held at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at the Amboy Friends Church, 110 E. Pennsylvania Ave., Amboy, with Pastor Dwight Elliott and Pastor Richard Martens officiating. Burial will be at the Park Lawn Cemetery, Amboy, with military graveside service provided by the Miami County Military Rites Unit. Family and friends will gather from 5 to 8 p.m. Monday at the church. Memorial donations may be made through the Laird-Eddy Funeral Home, 201 N. Main St., Amboy, to the Amboy Friends Church or to the Alzheimer's Association. Online condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, January 28, 2011

Betty C. Coon, 86, Peru, passed away following an extended illness at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 26, 2011 at her residence. A funeral service will be Friday at 11 a.m. at Mount Hope Chapel, with Pastor Kenneth Greenwald officiating. Burial will be at Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru. There will be no visitation. Arrangements are entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, January 28, 2011

Cecilia A. "Ceci" Sommers, 76, Peru, passed away at 7:45 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 26, 2011 at her home surrounded by the family she loved so dearly. She was born Nov. 28, 1934 in Peru to Basil and Alice (Wilkinson) Roberts. She married Ralph Sommers on June 9, 1951, and he survives. A devout Catholic, Ceci was a lifetime member of St. Charles Catholic Church. She was a member of the Altar & Rosary Society and the Daughters of Isabella. She was a former member of the board of directors of Gateway, and one of the "Gateway Carebears." Ceci enjoyed playing golf and was a former member of the Peru Miami County Ladies Golf Association. Ceci and her husband Ralph lovingly raised four children. She was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and sister. She was often referred to as the matriarch of the family. Surviving in addition to her husband of nearly 60 years, Ralph, are three daughters, Margie Maurer and husband Dick, Peru, Jenny Carrothers and husband Larry, Peru, and Cindy North and husband Mike, Boynton Beach, Fla.; a son, Rob Sommers, Indianapolis; two sisters, Marilou Mullett, Wabash, and Judy Boxell, Warsaw; eight grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, four brothers and four sisters. A Mass of Christian Burial celebrating the life of Cecilia Sommers will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday at St. Charles Catholic Church, 58 W. Fifth St., Peru with the Rev. Francis I. Kilcline III officiating. Burial will be at the St. Charles Catholic Cemetery. Family and friends will gather from 2 to 6 p.m. Sunday at Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main, Peru. There will be a prayer service at the funeral home at 6 p.m. Sunday. Memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to St. Charles Catholic Church or Wabash-Miami Home Health Care & Hospice. Condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, January 29, 2011

John Christian "Chris" Morningstar II, 37, Wabash, passed away Friday, Jan. 28, 2011 at his home. He was born July 21, 1973 in Marion to John R. and Marcia (Martin) Morningstar. Chris was a 1991 graduate of Northfield High School. He received his B.S. degree in actuarial science from Ball State University. He married Leslie Diane Neil at the Wabash Christian Church on June 14, 1997. He was the data systems analyst for Beacon Credit Union in Wabash the past 15 years. Chris was a life member of the Wabash Christian Church, where he was a deacon and served on the board of trustees. He participated in several fantasy football leagues, loved Ohio State sports teams and enjoyed going on family vacations. He is survived by his wife, Leslie Morningstar; two sons, Christopher T. Reid, and Carter T. Morningstar; parents, John R. and Marcia Morningstar; a sister, Jodi (Rich) Getz; and parents-in-law, John and Sunny Neil, all of Wabash; and his grandmother, Ruth I. Martin of Lafayette. Funeral services will be held at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 1241 Manchester Ave., Wabash, on Tuesday at 10:30 a.m., with Rev. Melinda Kammerer officiating. Burial will be in Memorial Lawns Cemetery, Wabash. Friends may call from 2 to 8 p.m. Monday at the funeral home. Donations may be given to Chris and Carter's Education Fund. The memorial guest book for Chris may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, January 29, 2011

Timothy Wetzel, 48, Rochester, passed away at 10:40 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 27, 2011 at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne. A celebration of the life of Tim Wetzel will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Pastor Bruce Russell officiating. Friends may visit the family from 4 to 8 p.m. Monday and one hour prior to the service in the funeral home Tuesday. Interment will be in the Fulton Cemetery, Fulton.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, January 31, 2011

Jack E. Sausaman, 84, Akron, passed away at 8:52 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 29, 2011 at Marion General Hospital, Marion, following a brief illness. He was born in Rochester on Dec. 2, 1926 to Clifford G. and Gladys I. (Bowman) Sausaman. He

married Marjory J. (Study) Sausaman on Nov. 30, 1953 at Beaver Dam United Methodist Church, and she preceded him in death on June 20, 2003. Jack started working at Sonoco Paper Products in Akron on April 27, 1959 and retired on March 31, 1990. He was a World War II U.S. Army veteran who served in Germany. He was a member of the Moose Lodge 1107 in Rochester. He was an avid Chicago Cubs and IU basketball fan. He was a graduate of Akron High School. Jack mowed his lawn in his own fashion and would not let anyone else mow for him. He looked forward to spending time in the round table discussions during his daily visits to the Akron Country Kitchen. Jack is survived by a daughter, Penny (Rick) Hisey, Macy; his sons, Jack (Calleen) Sausaman, Syracuse, Dave (Kandi) Sausaman, Rochester, and Bryan (Shelly) Sausaman, Yellow Creek Lake. He is also survived by 10 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife, Marjory; a brother, Tom Sausaman; and a sister, Katherine Sparks. A funeral service will take place at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Hartzler Funeral Home, 205 W. Rochester St., Akron, with the Rev. Lowell Burrus officiating. Burial will take place in Akron Cemetery, Akron. Graveside military rites will be conducted by VFW Post 1343 and Leroy Shelton American Legion Post 36, both of Rochester. Visitation will take place from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home. Online condolences may be made at www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, January 31, 2011

Raymond Edwin Hektor, 71, of 1319 Monroe St., passed away at 2:50 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 29, 2011 at his residence. A celebration of the life of Raymond E. Hektor will be at 10 a.m. Thursday in the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Chaplain Jason See officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 4 to 8 p.m. Wednesday and one hour prior to the service in the funeral home. Interment will be in the Mount Zion Cemetery. Military graveside rites will be conducted by the LeRoy Shelton American Legion 36 and the Veterans of Foreign Wars 1343, both of Rochester. Memorials may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, January 31, 2011

Robert A. "Bobby" Dillman, 30, Deedsville, passed away unexpectedly from heart failure on Sunday, Jan. 30, 2011 at his Deedsville residence. Funeral arrangements are being planned from Friday and Saturday; however, due to the weather forecast, they will be announced later in the week with a complete obituary. McClain Funeral Home, Denver is handling arrangements. Please visit www.mcclainfh.com to send condolences and check times for the service.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, January 31, 2011

Timothy A. Wetzel, 48, Rochester, passed away at 10:40 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 27, 2011 at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne. He was born on Dec. 29, 1962 in Tell City to Edgar A. and Judy Bryant Wetzel. On April 28, 1984 he married Tammy Bahney at Olive Branch Church of God, Roann. They had two children, Ashley and Shaun. Tim graduated from Caston Educational Center in 1982, where he enjoyed active membership with the Future Farmers of America. He served in the U.S. Air Force from 1983 to 1990. He enjoyed fatherhood and supporting his children with their school activities. He enthusiastically followed Shaun's soccer career at Caston, then at Ancilla College. As a grandfather he looked forward to visits with his grandchildren. He was a member of the Liberty Township Fire Department for over 15 years. During the mid-1990's, he served Fulton County as 911 coordinator. Most recently, he assisted those in need with illness or injury as an advanced emergency medical technician with the Pulaski County EMS. Tim was an avid collector of fire house memorabilia and enjoyed relaxing in his favorite recliner with his dogs. He is survived by his wife, Tammy Wetzel, Rochester; his mother, Judy Brothers, Tell City; a daughter, Ashley (Mayo) Medina, Rochester; a son, Shaun Wetzel, South Bend; two grandchildren, Audrianna Michelle Medina and Antonio Medina; and his dogs, Jada, Buster, Roxy, and Butterball, the Chihuahua-terrier mixes; and Dusty, the German shepherd. Tim was preceded in death by his father. A celebration of Tim's life will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Pastor Bruce Russell officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 4 to 8 p.m. Monday and one hour prior to the service in the funeral home Tuesday. Burial will be in Fulton Cemetery. Military graveside rites will be conducted by the LeRoy Shelton American Legion 36 and the Manitou Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1343, both of Rochester. Liberty Township Fire Department will also provide a special fireman's service at the graveside, complete with the last call. Memorials honoring Tim's memory may be made to the Liberty Township Fire Department. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, February 2, 2011

Agnes I. Stout, 96, Rochester, passed away at 9:50 a.m., Tuesday, Feb. 1, 2011 at Chase Center in Logansport. Arrangements are pending at Morocco Funeral Chapel, Logansport.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, February 2, 2011

Agnes Virginia Griggs, 88, La Fontaine, passed away at Rolling Meadows in La Fontaine, at 8:20 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 1, 2011. Funeral arrangements are pending at Laird-Eddy Funeral Home, Amboy.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, February 2, 2011

Funeral services for Robert A. "Bobby" Dillman, 30, Deedsville, will be held at 11:30 a.m. Saturday at St. John's Lutheran Church, Peru. Visitation will be from 2 to 8 p.m. Friday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver. Memorial contributions in

memory of Bobby may be made to Heartland Career Center to benefit the Ag Mechanics class. Condolences may be sent online at www.mcclainfh.com

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, February 3, 2011

Agnes I. Stout, 96, of Rochester, passed away at 9:50 a.m. Tuesday, February 1, 2011, at Chase Center in Logansport. Born on January 11, 1915 in Lee County, Kentucky, she was the daughter of the late Albert and Cora (Lane) Mayse. She married Charles Grigsby in 1934 and he preceded her in death in March of 1946. On October 2, 1954, she married Donald W. Stout, and he survives. Agnes retired from RBM in Logansport after 35 years and she was a member of the first initiated class of the Logansport Eagles Ladies Aux. No. 323. Agnes enjoyed playing bingo, fishing, mushroom hunting, squirrel hunting, gardening, planting flowers, being outdoors and most of all she enjoyed spending time with her family and having them all home for the holidays. Survivors include her husband, Donald W. Stout of Rochester; daughter, Donna K. Pierson and husband Randy of Florida; son, Charles Grigsby of Indianapolis; stepchildren, Ralph Stout and Beatrice Dailey, both of Lagro; and several grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by one brother, two sisters, one half-brother, one half-sister and 11 stepbrothers and stepsisters. Services will be at 1 p.m., Monday, February 7, 2011, at Marocco Funeral Chapel, 119 E. Market in Logansport, with Pastor David Welch officiating. Burial will be at Mt. Hope Cemetery in Logansport. Visitation will be from 4 to 6 p.m. Sunday, February 6, 2011, at the funeral home. Memorial Contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association. Online condolences and tributes may be made to the Stout family at www.maroccofc.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, February 3, 2011

Agnes V. Griggs, 88, formerly of Miami County, Indiana, passed away at 8:20 a.m. Tuesday, February 1, 2011, at the Rolling Meadows Health Care Center in La Fontaine, Indiana. She was born in Winchester, Kentucky on April 30, 1922, the daughter of Sterling and Myrtle Johnson Howard. Agnes married David Griggs on December 24, 1941 and he preceded her in death on September 2, 2003. Agnes was a 1940 graduate of Clark County High School, Winchester, Kentucky. She worked driving a truck for Redman Basket Factory and the Cannery, but she was mainly a homemaker. She loved being home, spending her time sewing and cooking. Agnes enjoyed having all the kids in the house. Her southern hospitality made sure no one went home hungry. Surviving are her sons, Donald Griggs and his wife Christine of New Castle and David L. Griggs and his wife Debbie of Marion; daughters, Flossie Cantrell and her husband Mike of Amboy and Susan Rossman and her husband Donald of Kokomo; a daughter-in-law, Vicki Griggs of Kokomo; brothers, Omer Howard of Warsaw, William Howard of Gas City, Tracy Howard of Roann, Vernon Howard of Fort Wayne, Arthur Howard of Gas City and Richard Howard of Fairmount; sisters, Gene Ellen Brown of Peru and Shirley J. Melton of La Fontaine; 16 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; two sons, Johnny A. Griggs and Danny Joe Griggs; and a brother, James Howard. A service celebrating the life of Agnes Griggs will be held at 1 p.m. Monday, February 7, 2011 at the Laird-Eddy Funeral Home, 201 North Main in Amboy, with Pastor Dwight Elliott officiating. Burial will follow at the Bond Cemetery, Miami County. Family and friends will gather from 10 a.m. to noon Monday, February 7, 2011, at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to the Bond Cemetery or the New Hope Hospice of Marion. Online condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, February 3, 2011

Esther L. Stephenson, 81, of Amboy, Indiana, passed away at 3:06 p.m. Wednesday, February 2, 2011, at Seton Specialty Hospital in Indianapolis. Arrangements are pending at Laird-Eddy Funeral Home, 201 N. Main in Amboy

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, February 3, 2011

Robert A. "Bobby" Dillman, 30, of Deedsville, Indiana, passed away unexpectedly from heart failure on Sunday, January 30, 2011, at his residence. Born December 5, 1980 in Rochester, Indiana, he was the son of Robert E. and Sharon L. Piotter Dillman. He was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church in Peru. He graduated from North Miami High School in 1999, and he was a self-employed farmer. Surviving are his parents, Bob and Sharon Dillman, Macy; grandmother, Bessie Piotter Thomason, Macy; two sisters, Leanna K. Bishop and husband Rob of Perrysburg and Laura L. Johnson and husband Zach of Macy; one brother, William A. "Billy" Dillman, Macy; one niece, Lidia Bishop; and four nephews, Christopher and Joey Bishop, and Parker and Reid Johnson; and several cousins, aunts and uncles. He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Verl and Mary Jane Dillman, and Arnold Piotter; and stepgrandfather Billy Thomason. Funeral services will be held at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, February 5, 2011, at St. John Lutheran Church in Peru with Pastor Kenneth A. Greenwald officiating. Burial will be in Deedsville I.O.O.F. Cemetery. Visitation will be from 2 to 8 p.m. Friday, February 4, 2011, at McClain Funeral Home, Denver. Memorial contributions may be made to Heartland Career Center to benefit the Ag Mechanics class. Condolences may be left online at www.mcclainfh.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, February 5, 2011

Edna M. Reed, 49, Peru, passed away at 1:34 a.m. Friday, Feb. 4, 2011 at her residence, surrounded by her family. She was born on April 28, 1961 in Peru to the late Howard and Mildred (Ensley) Smith. Edna was a Christian homemaker and loved to spend time with her children and grandchildren. She loved making cakes, reading and spending time outside. She is survived by her children: Alvin "Junior" (Michelle) Roberts and their children Azarius, Ariana, Avain, Acacia, Araceli and Alijah, all of Logansport, Stephen (Amie "Lou") Roberts and their children, Rebecca, Alexandria and Emma, all of Peru, Phillip Roberts and

his children, KyLynn and Ashlynn, all of Peru, and Amanda Carol Reed, Peru; brothers, Howard W. (Elsie) Smith , LaFontaine, Mike E. Smith and Dan B. Smith and Geodie, all of Peru; Susan (John) Helton, Peru; Kathi Leonhardt, Peru; and Tammy (Steve) Finney. He was preceded in death by one brother, Stephen Smith, and one sister-in-law, Lana Smith. Funeral services will be held at 7 p.m. on Monday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver. She will be laid to rest at Chili Cemetery. Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m. before the funeral service. In lieu of flowers, love offerings may be made to the family to help with final expenses. Condolences may be sent online at www.mcclainfh.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, February 5, 2011

Esther L. Stephenson, 81, of Amboy, Indiana, passed away at 3:06 p.m. Wednesday, February 2, 2011, at Seton Specialty Hospital in Indianapolis. She was born in Wabash on August 12, 1929, the daughter of Ralph and Eva Gibson Zimmerman. Esther married Hershel Stephenson in Grant County on April 16, 1953 and he preceded her in death on June 16, 2001. Esther was a 1947 graduate of Peru High School and a 1948 graduate of International Business College. She retired from Delco Electronics on June 30, 1989 after 35 years. Survivors include her sons, David W. Stephenson and his wife Holly of Marion, and Robert O. Stephenson and his wife Bonnie of Marion; a daughter, Marlene Smith and her husband Ray of Jonesboro; eight grandchildren and twenty-five great-grandchildren. A service celebrating the life of Esther L. Stephenson will be held at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, February 8, 2011, at the Laird-Eddy Funeral Home, 201 North Main in Amboy, with Pastor Jim McDowell officiating. Burial will follow at the Park Lawn Cemetery in Amboy. Family and friends will gather from 4 to 8 p.m. Monday, February 7, 2011, at the funeral home. Memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to the American Cancer Society. Condolences may be made online at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, February 7, 2011

Bessie M. Richardson Boone, 95, Peru, died at 6:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 4, 2011, at her home. She was born on Feb. 28, 1915, in Flora, the daughter of Harry and Carrie (Flora) Bowerman. She married Jacob Richardson on Dec. 24, 1933. He preceded her in death on Sept. 24, 1972. She then married Joe Boone on Aug. 16, 1977. He preceded her in death on Feb. 5, 2003. Survivors include a son, Howard (Arliss) Richardson, Converse; sisters Laura Jane (Larry) Godfroy, Peru, and Judy Case, Rochester; a step-son, Dan (Sharon) Boone, Wabash; a daughter-in-law, Merideth Richardson, Kokomo; a brother, Dale (Marty) Bowerman, Piqua, Ohio; a sister, Joan (Rex) Lowe, Kokomo; a brother-in-law, John B. (Mary Helen) Richardson of Arizona; 11 grandchildren, Roxanne (Bill) Lawson, Bill (Debbie) Richardson, Robert Richardson, Jim Oldaker, Scott (Brenda) Richardson, John (Eliz) Oldaker, Sharon (Paul) Gibson, Jackie (Jeff) Couch, Jeff (Missy) Hopper, Kathy Hopper and Terry (Peggy) Hopper; 26 great-grandchildren; 15 great-great-grandchildren and several stepgrandchildren and great-stepgrandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, both husbands, two sisters, Sally Huddleston and Doris Avery, a brother, Paul Bowerman, a son, Harold Richardson, a great-granddaughter and a great-stepgranddaughter. She owned and operated Richardson's Drapery Shoppe in Mexico for more than 20 years. She graduated in 1933 from Macy High School. Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 8, at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St. Pastors Mark Lowe and Jay McKinley will officiate. Burial will be at Greenlawn Cemetery, Mexico. Friends may call from 11 a.m. until the time of service at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to Wabash-Miami County Home Health Care & Hospice.

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Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, February 7, 2011

Larry L. Shields, 60, formerly of Miami County, died Wednesday, Feb. 2, 2011, in Palatka, Fla. Services at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 9, at Laird-Eddy Funeral Home, Amboy. Calling 2-8 p.m. at funeral home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, February 8, 2011

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Rochester; a step-son, Dan (Sharon) Boone, Wabash; a daughter-in-law, Merideth Richardson, Kokomo; a brother, Dale (Marty) Bowerman, Piqua, Ohio; a sister, Joan (Rex) Lowe, Kokomo; a brother-in-law, John B. (Mary Helen) Richardson of Arizona; 11 grandchildren, Roxanne (Bill) Lawson, Bill (Debbie) Richardson, Robert Richardson, Jim Oldaker, Scott (Brenda) Richardson, John (Eliz) Oldaker, Sharon (Paul) Gibson, Jackie (Jeff) Couch, Jeff (Missy) Hopper, Kathy Hopper and Terry (Peggy) Hopper; 26 great-grandchildren; 15 great-great-grandchildren and several stepgrandchildren and great-stepgrandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, both husbands, two sisters, Sally Huddleston and Doris Avery, a brother, Paul Bowerman, a son, Harold Richardson, a great-granddaughter and a great-stepgranddaughter. She owned and operated Richardson's Drapery Shoppe in Mexico for more than 20 years. She graduated in 1933 from Macy High School. Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 8, at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St. Pastors Mark Lowe and Jay McKinley will officiate. Burial will be at Greenlawn Cemetery, Mexico. Friends may call from 11 a.m. until the time of service at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to Wabash-Miami County Home Health Care & Hospice.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, February 9, 2011

Harold Oscar Greeson, 94, Kokomo, died at 9:37 a.m. Monday, Feb. 7, 2011, at Howard Regional Health System. He was born July 15, 1916, in Alto, the son of David and Amanda (Spranger) Greeson. On Sept. 14, 1939, he married Gertrude Irene McCarter at the Methodist Parsonage in Forest. Harold graduated from West Middleton High School with the class of 1935. He then attended Lincoln Memorial University in Harrogate, Tenn. Harold was employed at Greeson's Sand & Gravel Company and for approximately eight years was a chemist in the lab at Continental Steel during World War II. He went on to work for Midwest Plating in Kokomo, retiring after 33 years as a chemist. He was a member of the Bennetts Switch Methodist Church. He enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He would always attend their sporting activities, musical programs and especially the school Grandparents Day. He is survived by his wife, Gertrude Irene Greeson and they were the proud parents of two children; Harold Dudley (Judy) Greeson, Kokomo, and Barbara Elaine (Larry) Ellison, Greenfield. Harold was a very proud grandfather of four, Regina Elaine (Andrew) Jeffers, Springfield, Ohio, Paul Eugene Ellison, Indianapolis, Peggy Sue (Aaron) Gross, Logansport, and Katherine Elaine (Cory) Patterson, Bloomington, Ill.; eight great-grandchildren, Kaitlyn Michelle Jeffers (fiancée, Ryan Darling), and Kyle Andrew Jeffers, all of Springfield, Ohio, Jeremy Alexander Gross, Jessica Morgan Gross and Jenna Nichole Gross, all of Logansport, Noah Cory Patterson, Drew Ellis Patterson and Wyatt Joseph Patterson, all of Bloomington, Ill. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 12, 2011, at Shirley & Stout Funeral Home, Lincoln Road Chapel, 1315 West Lincoln Road, Kokomo, with Pastors Norman Snyder and Aaron Gross officiating. Burial will follow in Galveston Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 4-7 p.m. on Friday at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, the Bennetts Switch United Methodist Church, Logansport Church of the Brethren or the charity of the donor's choice, with envelopes available. Messages of condolence may be left online at www.shirleyandstout.com

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, February 15, 2011

Stanley Samuelson, 92, passed away Sunday, Feb. 13, 2011, at Wynnfield Crossing, Rochester. He was born on June 12, 1918, to Oscar and Kittie Karr Samuelson. He came to Rochester from Iroquois County, Ill., after graduation to work at the Armour Creamery which was then managed by his brother-in-law. He married Anita Zimmerman on Oct. 15, 1940. She preceded him in death in 1995. He also was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers and three sisters. He was drafted by the U.S. Navy in May 1944 and served in the Pacific Theater during World War II on the USS LST 867. When he returned home from the war in May 1946, he started his career with the Nickel Plate Railroad and worked for them until his retirement. He loved sports and knew the standings of most teams in baseball, basketball, football and golf. Pitching horseshoes was one of Stanley's forte. With a flick of the wrist and an eye for the stake he was crowned as champion during a few area tournaments. In his early years Stan enjoyed coaching Little League baseball. More recently he could be seen in the stands as a fan following the sports teams of his great-grandchildren. He was an avid bowler but after his retirement, found his true passion playing golf. Weather permitting, he played almost every day. He was a member of the Grace United Methodist Church. He is survived by one son Phil Samuelson, and two daughters, Joyce Sroufe, and Judith Overmyer, seven grandchildren, two of whom still live in Rochester, Sarah Daulton and Erin Leap, and 12 great-grandchildren. He is also survived by two sisters, Jean Wilkinson, and Frances Haines. Services for Stanley Samuelson will be at 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 16, 2011, in the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St. Rochester, with the Rev. Maurice Grindle officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 6-8 p.m. today, and one hour prior to the service in the funeral home. Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Graveside military rites will be conducted by the LeRoy Shelton American Legion No.36 and the Veterans of Foreign Wars No.1343, both of Rochester. Memorials may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County or to Grace United Methodist Church. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com. The family would like to thank Hope Hospice for their support and are especially grateful to the aides at Wynnfield and to his personal caregivers for their patience and kindness while trying to make Dad's life easier the last several months.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, February 16, 2011

Betty L. Henson, 90, of Rochester, Indiana and formerly of the Akron area, passed away at 8:35 p.m. Monday, February 14, 2011, at Hickory Creek of Rochester. She was born September 23, 1920 in Brazil, Indiana, the daughter of Charlotte Hipplehowser and Harry Hayes Johnson. On December 29, 1943, she married Floyd E. Henson in Terre Haute. He preceded

her in death on November 30, 1998. Betty was a homemaker and worked at several different secretarial jobs. She was a member of the Akron United Methodist Church and a 1938 graduate of Garfield High School of Terre Haute. She was a loving mother and enjoyed keeping up with the activities of her children and grandchildren. Betty is survived by two sons, Stephen Henson and his wife Jane of Galena, Ohio, and David Henson and his wife Melinda of Macy; nine grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; a brother, Harry Johnson of Michigan City; and a sister, Irene Plant of Terre Haute. She was preceded in death by her husband; a daughter, Vicki Henson Shonk; and a sister, Jean Frazier. Funeral service for Betty L. Henson will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, February 17, 2011, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St. in Akron, with Pastor Brad Eckerley officiating. Burial will be in the Akron Cemetery in Akron, Indiana. Friends may visit with the family from noon to 2 p.m. Thursday, February 17, 2011, at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to the Hope Hospice of Fulton County. Online condolences may be expressed at www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, February 16, 2011

Billie Strawn, 81, of Marcella, Arkansas, formerly of Aransas Pass, Texas, died Saturday, February 5, 2011, in a Batesville hospital. Born January 19, 1930, in Judsonia, Arkansas, she was the daughter of Lonnie Roberts and Mae White Roberts and was a Christian of the Unity faith. She was a retired dog groomer and enjoyed gardening, crocheting, and spending time with family and friends. She is survived by her husband, Toshi Strawn, of Aransas Pass, Texas; a son, Christopher Solida of Bunker Hill, Indiana; a daughter, Elaine Severs and husband Mike, of Marcella, Arkansas; a stepdaughter, Karen Pfeiffer of Victoria, Texas; a sister, Henrietta Finch of Hamilton, Ohio; four brothers, Clarence Roberts of Bauxite, Arkansas, Lester Roberts of Little Rock, Arkansas, Leroy Roberts of Bee Branch, Arkansas and Ricky Roberts of Louann, Arkansas; three stepsisters, Frances Pamplin of Monticello, Arkansas, Jan Hunter of Yorktown, Texas, and Barbara Fisher of Hot Springs, Arkansas; six grandchildren, Shane Cousins and Sheila Davis of Ozark, Missouri, Christyann Solida of Miami, Florida, Jason Solida of Sheridan, Indiana, Jacob Severs of Springfield, Missouri, and John Severs of Marcella, Arkansas and six great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, a daughter, Judy Solida, and a brother, Kenneth Roberts. Funeral services were at 2 p.m. Tuesday, February 8, 2011, at the Roller-Crouch Chapel with Brother Ray Brown officiating. Burial was at York Cemetery in Marcella under the direction of Roller-Crouch Funeral Home of Batesville. Pall bearers were Shane Cousins, Jason Solida, Jacob Severs, John Severs, Alex Hammond and Charles Hammond.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, February 16, 2011

Daniel E. Duckwall, 79, Bunker Hill, passed away at 8:12 p.m. Monday, Feb. 14, 2011 at Dukes Memorial Hospital, Peru. He was born in Bunker Hill on Dec. 13, 1931 to Lloyd and Esther (McConnel) Duckwall. Daniel served in the U.S. Army and retired from Delco. He enjoyed boating and spending time outdoors. He is survived by four daughters, Lisa, Lasley, Barbara and Christine. Also surviving are several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Daniel was preceded in death by his father, Lloyd Duckwall; his mother, Esther (McConnel) Duckwall; his step-mother, Pearl Stuber Duckwall; and one son, Kent. A funeral service will take place at 1 p.m. Saturday at Allen Funeral Home, 136 S. Elm St., Bunker Hill, with Pastor Gerald Zook officiating. Burial will be in Springdale Cemetery, Bunker Hill. Friends may call from 11 a.m. Saturday until the time of service at the funeral home. Love offerings may be made to the Daniel Duckwall family through the Allen Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, February 16, 2011

Danny L. Schlemmer, 64, Wabash, died at 9:10 a.m. on Monday, Feb. 14, 2011. Services will be 2 p.m. Friday at McDonald Funeral Home, 231 Falls Avenue, Wabash. Visitation 4-8 p.m. today at funeral home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, February 16, 2011

David Adrian Stouffer, 64, of rural Wabash, died at 4:45 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 15, 2011, in rural Wabash County. He was born Jan. 5, 1947 in Wabash, to Adrian and Janet Fern (Butt) Stouffer. David was a 1965 graduate of Southwood High School, attended Purdue University Ag Short Course, served in the National Guard, and was a lifelong farmer. He married Renee Porter at the Wabash Friends Church on Dec. 27, 1969. He was a member of the Wabash Friends Church, where he served on several committees over the years and attended the College Corner Brethren Church. David was a longtime member of the Beacon Credit Union Supervisory Committee, served on the Beacon Credit Union Board of Directors, and was the current Vice Chairman. He enjoyed participating in 4-H and helped his daughters with their projects. David loved farming, his John Deere Equipment, and Purdue sports. He loved the Lord, treasured his family, and adored his grandchildren. Above all, he was a faithful and obedient servant to his Lord Jesus Christ. He is survived by his wife, Renee Stouffer of Wabash; two daughters, Heather (Ryan) Hunsberger of Wabash, and Melanie (Ryan) Brainard of Savannah, Ga.; four grandchildren, Luke Adrian Hunsberger and Ian Hunsberger, both of Wabash, Madeline Brainard and Noah Brainard, both of Savannah. Funeral services will be held at Wabash Friends Church, 3563 S. St. Rd. 13, Wabash, on Saturday, Feb. 19, 2011, at 10:30 a.m. with David Phillips, Jim Black, and Alex Falder officiating. Burial will be in Friends Cemetery, Wabash. Friends may call 2-8 p.m. Friday at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 1241 Manchester Ave. Wabash, and one hour prior to service Saturday at the church. Preferred memorial is College Corner Youth Ministries or the Wabash County 4-H Foundation. The memorial guest book for David may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, February 16, 2011

Richard L. "Butch" Hollenback, 67, of Peru, passed away at 4:55 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 16, 2011, at Miller's Merry Manor, Peru. He was born in Peru the son of Jean Hollenback. He was raised by his grandmother, Grace Hollenback, and was

formerly married to Marilyn "Sue" Mullett Hollenback. Butch graduated from Bunker Hill High School in 1961. He was employed for several years at B.F. Goodrich in Peru and later owned and operated H & H Tire. He was a member of St. Charles Catholic Church. Surviving are his daughters Hollie Hollenback and Heather Hollenback both of Peru; his brothers Richard Helm of Peru, Robert East, John East and Steve East of Kokomo, Jim East and Jerry East of Missouri; a sister, Janet Weddle, of Missouri, two aunts, Dean Stewart of Tipton and Margaret Hollenback of Sharpsville. A memorial service will be held at 7 p.m., Friday, Feb. 18, 2011, at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main St., Peru, with Pastor George Dinkel officiating. Family and friends will gather from 5:00-7:00 PM, Friday at the funeral home. Memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to the American Heart Association. Online condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, February 16, 2011

Samuel B. "Barney" Avery, 86, of Frankfort, Indiana, passed away February 9, 2011 in East Naples, Florida. He was born February 23, 1924 in Michigantown, Indiana, the son of Fay & Lucy (Paris) Avery. He married Betty M. Hann on October 27, 1946 in Peru, Indiana and she survives. A 1942 graduate of Michigantown High School, he lived in Michigantown before moving to Center Township in 1953. He was a farmer from 1946 to 1962, and then worked at Eli Lilly Production for 20 years, retiring in 1990. His memberships include First Christian Church, where he was a former deacon, American Legion and the Moose Lodge, where he was a life member. Mr. Avery was a 4-H Leader, served on the 4-H Council, the Fair Board, the Community Schools of Frankfort Building Corporation, was president of Indiana Poland China Breeders Association, and initiated restoration of Frankfort City Lagoons. A veteran of the U.S. Army, he served from 1944 to 1946 in the South Pacific and received the 96th Infantry Division Presidential Unit Citation. He is survived by his wife Betty Mae Avery of Frankfort; a son, Rick Scott Avery (Glenda) of Frankfort; a daughter, Linda Kay Dyk (William Jr.) of Lexington, Kentucky; a sister, Esta Cox of Frankfort; four grandchildren, Gregory Dyk, Kerry (Dyk) Higgins, Neil Dyk and Stacey Beeler; six great-grandchildren, Reagan and Jackson Higgins, Katelyn and Kendall Dyk, and Sasha and Rylan Galvin. He is also survived by several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by a sister, Julia Farley, and a brother, Ernest Avery. Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, February 26, 2011, at Goodwin Funeral Home in Frankfort. Visitation will begin at noon Saturday, February 26, 2011, and last until the time of at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Clinton County Cancer Society or the Moose Lodge. Envelopes will be available. Online condolences may be made at goodwinfuneralhome.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, February 17, 2011

Donald P. Zandi, 87, entered into eternal rest on Feb. 14, 2011. He was born in South Wilmington, Ill., on Aug. 8, 1923, to Phillip & Edith Zandigiaco. He graduated from Reed Custer High School in Braidwood, Ill., in 1941, served his country during World War II in the U.S. Army Air Corps from 1942 – 45, and attended Illinois Wesleyan University where he lettered in football and basketball. He graduated in 1950 with a degree in business administration. He married Phyllis Holforty on September 15, 1951 and moved to Valparaiso in 1952. Don worked for R.W. Pool Wholesale Company for 37 years and was company president 21 years. Don was active in the Valparaiso community, a member of Valparaiso Methodist Church, served on the State Board and as vice-president of the Indiana Candy, Tobacco Wholesalers and Vendors Association as well as the Board of Directors of the National Candy Wholesalers Association. In addition to his wife, Don is survived by two sons, Robert (Linda) of Marion, Iowa, and Dr. David (Lorie) of Peru; five grandchildren, Jordan & Meredith Zandi, Ray (Patrizia) Stibeck, Tony Stibeck, Theresa (Scott) Kiedrowski, five great-grandchildren and a sister, Theresa Lahey of Arizona. He was preceded in death by his parents, sisters Albena Bettendorf, Violet Widmaier and brother, Dominic. Visitation will be held today from 4–7 pm CST at Valparaiso Methodist Church, 103 N. Franklin St., Valparaiso. Funeral service Saturday 10 pm CST directly at the church with interment at Graceland Cemetery. In lieu of flowers contributions can be made to Valparaiso Methodist Church. Online condolences may be sent to moellerfuneralhome.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, February 17, 2011

Frank E. Bagley, 80, Kokomo, formerly of Bunker Hill, passed away at 8:48 p.m. Tuesday, February 15, 2011, at Samara Memory Care, where he had resided for eight years. He was born June 2, 1930, in Plymouth, to Edward and Mary (Young) Bagley. He married Pat Bagley, June 30, 1950, and she preceded him in death, July 31, 1997. He then married Wilma (Fritts) Rinehuls Bagley on September 3, 1999, and she survives. Frank was retired from Chrysler and was a member of the Calvary Baptist Church in Kokomo. Frank is survived by his wife, Wilma (Fritts) Rinehuls Bagley; a son Evan (wife Debra) Bagley, Greentown; stepdaughters Sherra (husband Robert) Strahan, Bunker Hill, and Leslie Nugent, Bunker Hill; grandchildren Nathan Goodwin and companion Sarah, Ian (Katie) Bagley, and Megan (Bill) Minor; step-grandchildren Stacy Wray, Samantha Wray, Brittany Nugent, Ben Nugent and Katie Strahan; a brother, Charles Bagley, Mexico; a stepbrother, Elwood Russell, Lafayette; and sisters, Beth White, Bunker Hill, and Naydine Simmonds of Connecticut. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, February 21, 2011, at Allen Funeral Home, 136 S. Elm in Bunker Hill, with Pastor Jeff Sexton officiating. Burial will be at Galveston Cemetery, Galveston. Friends may call from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday, February 20, 2011, at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to Alzheimer's and or Parkinson through the Allen Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, February 17, 2011

Goldie Garling-Nicholson, 54, was called Home Monday, Feb. 14, 2011, due to natural causes. A beloved wife, mother, sister, aunt and grandmother, Goldie was interred at Clymbers Cemetery. She will be missed by all.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, February 17, 2011

Ida Hatfield, 74, Peru, died at 8:55 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 17, 2011, at Howard Regional Hospital, Kokomo. Services are pending at Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, Peru.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, February 17, 2011

Marjorie J. Downham, 81, Peru, passed away at 5:21 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 17, 2011, at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. She was born Sept. 23, 1929, in Clinton County to Calvin and Effie Mae (Wallace) Altic. She was married to Wayne E. Downham in September of 1948, and he survives. Marjorie was a homemaker and an avid sports fan. She especially loved Nascar and was a big fan of Jeff Gordon. She was a loving and loyal stay at home mother during her children's years growing up. She believed in the saving power of Christ. She is survived by her husband; her sons, Michael (Brenda) Downham, Kokomo, and Patrick Downham, Peru; her daughters, Martha Downham, Peru, and Twilla (Ronald) Wojocieczowski, Lakeville, Minn.; a granddaughter, Marisa Wojocieczowski, Lakeville, Minn.; and a sister-in-law, Mary Jane Nelson, Kokomo. Marjorie was preceded in death by her parents; four brothers, Paul, Robert, Leon and Richard Altic; and three sisters, Mary Sanders, Bernice Altic and Martha Suhre. A funeral service will take place at 10 a.m. Monday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., with Pastor John Thomas officiating. Burial will be in Ever-Rest Memorial Park, Cass County. Friends may call from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, February 17, 2011

Mary Lois Doud, 87, Rochester, died at 8:10 a.m. Feb. 16, 2011. Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation is 4-8 p.m. today at the funeral home

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, February 18, 2011

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Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, February 18, 2011

Ida Pearl Hatfield, 74, of Peru, passed away at 8:55 a.m., Thursday, February 17, 2011 at Howard Regional Health System, Kokomo. She was born on September 4, 1936 in Jellico, Tenn., the daughter of Edward and Mossie (Wells) Lawson. Ida married James Robert Hatfield, Jr. in Jellico, Tenn., on August 1, 1955 and he survives. Ida worked in the automotive industry as a Line Inspector for GM, in Detroit, Mich., retiring in 1987. Ida and James moved to Peru in 1997 to be close to their daughter, Karen and her family. Surviving in addition to her husband, James, is a daughter, Karen Marks and her husband David of Peru, and a grandson, Jeremy Marks of Peru. She was preceded in death by her parents and two brothers Raymond and James Lawson. A service celebrating the life of Ida Hatfield will be held at 1 p.m., Monday, February 21, 2011, at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 West Main, Peru, with Forrest McMurray officiating. Burial will follow at Mt. Hope Cemetery, Peru. Family and friends will gather from 2:00 to 4:00 P.M., Sunday, February 20th at the funeral home. Memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to the American Cancer Society. Online condolences may be made online at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Sunday, February 20, 2011

GraceLynn Rae Hall, 3 months, of Peru, went to be with her Heavenly Father at 11:04 A.M., Friday, February 18, 2011 at Dukes Memorial Hospital, Peru. She was born on November 12, 2010, in Indianapolis, the daughter of Andrew and Tiffany Hoagland Hall. Surviving in addition to her parents, Andrew and Tiffany, are her brothers; Levi Phillip Hall, Ethan James Hall and Isaac Alan Reemer all of Peru; grandparents, Connie K. Hall of Wabash, Raymond and Dawn Hoagland Jr. of Peru; great-grandmothers Ombra Keaffaber of Wabash, Mary Hoagland of Peru and Mary Behny of Peru; aunts and uncles, Heather Hoagland of Peru, Michael and Nancy Hall of Wabash, Carl and Sharon Hall of Wabash, John and Nikki Hall of Elkhart, Wayne and Nikki Hall of Silver Lake, Jennifer Pernell Hall and her husband, Mike Pernell, of Ft. Mitchell, Ky., Randall Hall and Sara Lynn Tyner of Wabash; and several cousins. She was preceded in death by her grandfather, Phill Maurice Hall. A service celebrating the life of GraceLynn Rae Hall will be held at 11 a.m., Thursday, February 24, 2011, at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 West Main, Peru with Pastor Randall Shinolt and Bill Bussard officiating. Burial will follow at Mt. Hope Cemetery, Peru. Family and friends will gather from 2-8 p.m., Wednesday at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers

memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to the GraceLynn Hall Memorial Fund care of Wells Fargo Bank. Online condolences may be made online at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Sunday, February 20, 2011

Michael T. Spencer, 36, Peru, died at 8:02 a.m. Friday, Feb. 18, 2011, at Dukes Hospital, Peru. Services are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, Peru

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Sunday, February 20, 2011

Ruth M. Radel, 83, died at 11:22 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 19, 2011, at Dukes Memorial Hospital, Peru. She was born July 17, 1927, in Miami County, the daughter of Mearl and Dessie (Zehner) Correll. She married Wayne L. Radel on June 19, 1964. He preceded her in death on Jan. 10, 1999. Survivors include a brother, Brace "Brady" (Phyllis) Correll, Peru, along with several nieces, nephews and cousins. She was preceded in death by her husband, parents, two sisters, Ruby Cox and Freda Awker, and three brothers, Orlie "Bud" Correll, Donald Correll and Bruce Correll. Mrs. Radel was a homemaker. She was a member of the First Church of the Nazarene. Services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 23, 2011, at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru. Pastor George Dinkel will officiate. Burial will be in Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru. Friends may call at the funeral from 10 a.m. Wednesday until the time of service.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Sunday, February 20, 2011

Ted L. Moon, 73, Peru, died at 8:25 p.m. Friday, Feb. 18, 2011, at St. Joseph Hospital, Kokomo. He was born Sept. 19, 1937, in Greencastle, the son of Clayton and Wilma (Sendmeyer) Moon. His fiancée is Joyce See. Survivors include his sons Ted Alan Moon, Noblesville, Jim (Jennifer) Moon, Gas City, and Chad Moon, Peru; a brother, Dee Moon, Bowling Green; sisters Cheryl (Mark) Caldwell, Bunker Hill, and Sue (Gene) Lawson, Peru; two grandchildren, Eric and Megan, and several nieces and nephews. Mr. Moon was a farm equipment salesman for 50-plus years for various dealerships, most recently for Koenig Case IH. He was a member of Peru Maennerchor, Peru Eagles and Peru Moose Lodge. A 1955 Bunker Hill High School graduate, Mr. Moon served in the U.S. Army reserves. He was a member of the First Christian Church, Peru. Services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 22, 2011, at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru. Troy Caldwell will officiate. Burial will be in Mt. Hope Cemetery, Peru. Friends may call from 2-8 p.m. today at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Sunday, February 20, 2011

Terry L. Howell, 59, of Peru, Indiana, passed away at 10:01 a.m. Saturday, February 19, 2011, at St. Vincent Hospital. Terry was born September 7, 1956 in Peru, Indiana, the son of Martin and Inez (Chambers) Howell. On March 7, 1986, he married Ovon Callander and she survives. He was a self-employed roofing contractor. He is survived by his sons, Joshua Howell, Martin Howell, Jonathan Howell, Terry Murray and Dewayne Shipman, all of Peru; his daughters, Lisa Wessell and Chance Rich, both of Peru; three granddaughters, Emily Howell, Anna Howell and Lillie Anne Wessell; two sisters Rebecca (Danny) Logsdon and Sharon Lumpkins, all of Peru; and a nephew, Denny Chambers of Peru. He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Raymond Chambers. Funeral services for Terry L. Howell will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday, February 22, 2011, at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third in Peru, with Pastor John Alton officiating. Friends may call at the funeral home on Tuesday from 4 p.m. until the time of the service.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, February 22, 2011

Gerald Nye, 59, Peru, died at 9:30 a.m. Monday, Feb. 21, 2011, at his home. Services are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, Peru.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, February 22, 2011

Michael T. Spencer, 36, Peru, will be missed by many. He died at 8 a.m. Friday, Feb. 18, 2011, at Duke's Memorial Hospital. He was born Aug. 8, 1974, in Peru, the son of Marshall Spencer, St. Petersburg, Fla., and Vicki (Shrock) Spencer, Peru. His parents survive, as does a companion, Trista Martin. Also surviving are two sons, Thaddius Spencer, Peru, and Zane Stapleton, Peru; three brothers, James Spencer, Peru, Leroy Clemons, Peru, and Jerry Lee Clemons, Peru; several nieces and nephews and a great nephew. He was preceded in death by Dan and Della Shrock, Tom Shrock, Joshua Baker, Betty & Ernest Gross, Samuel & Rose Childers and Marion Childers. Funeral services are at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., with the Rev. Larry Stone officiating. Burial will be in Mt. Hope Cemetery, Peru. Friends may call from 10 a.m. until the time of service Wednesday at the funeral home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, February 23, 2011

Gerald D. "Gary" Nye, 59, Peru, passed away at 9:30 a.m. Monday, February 21, 2011 at his residence. He was born in Peru on May 14, 1951, to James and Betty (Farnum) Nye and they preceded him in death. He married Barbara Shuey on Sept. 29, 1980, and she survives. Also surviving are a son, Shane Nye, Peru; a daughter, Melody; grandson, Zack Nye; granddaughter, Margit Anderson, Brazil and his best dog, Freckle; two brothers, James Nye, Rochester, and Ron Nye, Rochester; a sister, Libby Lubin of Clearwater/St. Pete, Fla., and several nieces and nephews. Gerald was retired tool and die maker at General Motors in Kokomo and Marion. A funeral service will be held at 5 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 24, at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St. with Pastor George Dinkel officiating. Burial will be at Mt. Hope Cemetery, Peru. Friends may call at the funeral home from 3-5 p.m. Wednesday. Memorial contributions may be made to Rosie's Retreat.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, February 24, 2011

Arthur "Rebel" Combs, 91, Peru, passed away at 7:10 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 23, 2011 at Dukes Memorial Hospital. He was born in Breathitt County, Ky., on Jan. 14, 1920, to Henderson "Bud" and Martha Helen (Collins) Combs. He married Betty Johns in 1980 and she survives. Arthur served in the U.S. Army under General Patton, received two Purple Hearts, a Bronze Star and the Silver Star, as well as Marksman and numerous other awards. He retired from the N&W Railroad as a brakemen/conductor. Arthur is survived by his wife, Betty; his daughters, Delphia McKelvey, Ohio, Martha Helen Combs, Ohio, Jane Labar, Peru, Kimberley (Sam) Pegg, Peru, Sheila Maxwell, Peru, Sharon (Norman) Browning, Peru; and his sons, James (Ruth) Oldaker, Michigan, and Richard (Kathy) Oldaker, Kokomo. Also surviving are 15 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, and a daughter, Reta Bruehler. A funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., with Pastor Rose Sorenson officiating. Burial will be in Ever-Rest Memorial Park, Cass County. Friends may call from 4 to 7 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. There will be Military Committal Service at the cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Miami County Military Rites Unit.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, February 24, 2011- Friday, February 25, 2011

Dorothy Crist, 89, formerly of Peru, passed away at 6:15 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 22, 2011, at the Medical Center of Manchester, Tenn. She was born June 17, 1921, in San Piere to Noland and Rose Szczech Colwell. She married Oscar Gridley, and he died in a train accident. She then married Ulva D. "Bill" Crist on Jan. 25, 1944 in Winamac and he preceded her in death on Oct. 1, 1970. Dorothy was a 1939 graduate of Knox High School, Knox. She was a seamstress at McLaughlin in Peru and Gossard in Logansport, retiring in 1981. Dorothy was a member of Saint Charles Catholic Church, the Daughters of Isabella and Altar and Rosary Society. She is survived by her sons, Allen (Carolyn) Crist, Amboy, Joel (Cheryl) Crist, Peru, and Leon (Ellie) Crist, Peru; and her daughters, Ruth Gridley, Peru, and Nadean (Roy) Schaefer, Altamont, Tenn. She is also survived by 23 grandchildren, 39 great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren. Dorothy was preceded in death by her parents; two husbands, Oscar Gridley and Ulva "Bill" Crist; a sister, Frances Eads; a son, Gene Gridley; and a daughter, Paulette Williams. A mass of Christian burial will be held at 10:30 a.m. Monday at the Saint Charles Catholic Church, 58 W. Fifth St., Peru, with the Rev. Francis I. Kilcline III officiating. Burial will follow at the Saint Joseph Cemetery, Pulaski County. Family and friends will gather at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main St., Peru, with a prayer service following at 4 p.m. at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to Miami County Helping Hands or to Saint Vincent DePaul. Online condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, February 24, 2011

Mona Lou Snook, 60, Rochester, died at 6:47 a.m. Tuesday. Services at 1 p.m. Friday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Burial is in Bruce Lake Cemetery. Visitation from 11-1 p.m. Friday at funeral home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, February 25, 2011

Thelma Maxine Clark, 87, Marion, went to be with the Lord at 5:26 a.m. Thursday, surrounded by family at her residence. She was born in Peru Aug. 10, 1923 to Raymond "Bud" Witt and Minnie E. (Bowman) Witt. She married Donald "Wimpy" Clard on July 19, 1941, and he preceded her in death Dec. 16, 1986. Thelma was a homemaker and a member of the Liberty Baptist Church. She is survived by her sons, Jack (Kathy) Clark, Peru, Pat (Jeanne) Clark, Warsaw, Timothy (Cherri) Clark, Jensen Beach, Fla., and Raymond "Bud" (Cherie) Clark, La Fontaine; and her daughters, Helen Clark, Marion, and Vicki Riggle, Peru. Also surviving are 14 grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband; her parents; her son-in-law, John R. Riggle Jr.; and a brother, Robert Witt. A funeral service will take place at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., with Pastor Terry Bishir officiating. Burial will be in Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru. Friends may call from noon until the time of service Saturday at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to the Marion Hospice.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, February 25, 2011

William "Bill" Hochstedler Jr., 80, Peru, went to be with the Lord on Feb. 22, 2011 at Miller's Merry Manor, Peru. He was born in Peru on Aug. 6, 1930, to the late William "Bill" Sr. and Gladys (Shrock) Hochstedler. He married Imogene Hochstedler, and she survives. Bill's love for farming lasted until 1974. Due to his health, he had to retire from the farm and work for Don Welton Mobile Homes in Kokomo; from there, he worked for First Farmer's Bank in Converse for 18 years. He also served as a school crossing guard. He loved to watch I.U. basketball and Chicago Cubs baseball. He most enjoyed going to Michigan's Upper Peninsula, fishing for walleye with his family. He was an avid deer hunter. Bill attended Christian Pilgrim Church, Peru. He is survived by his wife; his son, Jim (Annie) Hochstedler, Amboy; his daughter, Vickie (Jesse) Briscoe, Peru; his sisters, DellaMae Hochstedler Rosa, Kokomo, and Carolyn Sue Kimmel, Greentown; and his brothers, Percy H. (Ella Jean) Hochstedler, Marion, and Fred D. (Melba) Hochstedler, South Carolina. Also surviving are six grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. Bill was preceded in death by his parents; his son, Glenn Allen Hochstedler; his sister, Kathryn Mohler; and a brother, Jack Hochstedler. A funeral service will take place at 1 p.m. Saturday in the Owen-Weilert-Duncan Funeral Home, Larrison-Martin Chapel, 308 E. Marion St., Converse, with Pastor Paul Lane officiating. Visitation will be from 10 a.m. until the time of service Saturday in the funeral home. Burial will be in the Converse Cemetery, Converse. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the family, care of Imogene Hochstedler, 15 Riggle Road, Peru. Online condolences may be made at www.owenweilertduncan.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, February 25, 2011

Ernest C. Zerbe, 81, North Manchester, passed away at 11:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 23, 2011 at his home. He was born in Peru on June 18, 1929 to Roscoe and Frances (Wolf) Zerbe. He married Dolly Joan Hall Aug. 8, 1948 at the First Christian Church in Peru, and she survives. Ernest graduated from Clay Township High School in 1948 and was a farmer most of his life, retiring in 1987. He worked for the Miami County Highway Department, and was a rural mail carrier 29 years for the Peru Post Office, retiring in 1989. Following his retirement, he served as a chaplain at Dukes Memorial Hospital, and was a member of the Gideons International, where he was a speaker. He was a 4-H leader in Butler Township, Miami County, and a member of the Loree First Brethren Church, where he served as a teacher, deacon, member of the choir and church secretary. He also served as a State Layman's president and was president of the Indiana District Mission Board for the Brethren Church. He was a member of the North Manchester First Brethren Church. Ernest enjoyed 16 winters in Braden Castle Park, Bradenton, Fla. He loved playing shuffleboard and in 2008 was inducted in the Braden Castle Shuffle Club's Hall of Fame. He is survived by his wife, Dolly; a son, Dr. Steven (Rita) Zerbe, Schoolcraft, Mich.; and three daughters, Linda (Keith) Immel, North Manchester, Coleen (Randy) Mangham, North Manchester, and Sharon (Stephen) Thorn, Winter Haven, Fla. Also surviving are 11 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren. Ernest was preceded in death by three brothers and two sisters, Lowell Zerbe, Kenneth Zerbe, Warren Zerbe, Rosella Marshall and Joan Bargerhuff. A funeral service will take place at 11 a.m. Monday at the Loree Brethren Church, with Dr. Steve Zerbe, the Rev. Jon Allen and Pastor Kurt Stout officiating. Interment will be in the Rankin Cemetery. Friends may call at the Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., from 3 to 7 p.m. Sunday and at the church one hour prior to the funeral. Memorial contributions can be made to The Gideons International.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, February 26, 2011

Juanita Armayor, 95 and 364 days, passed away Feb. 8, 2011 in The Residences at Thomas Circle in Washington, D.C. Juanita was born in 1915 into a Pennsylvania-Dutch Indiana farm family south of Peru, which she never knew as the hometown of Cole Porter well into adulthood though surrounded by the piano music of her sister Phyllis and the cornet music of her father. As a small girl she was often spared the routine chores of the farm in honor of her dreamy sweetness and reading, her poetry, her art, and her excellent schoolwork. She was made to skip the eighth grade. She was a true child of the Great Depression. Her father was never a good businessman and when crop prices fell in the late 1920s he was forced to sell the family farm in 1928 and move the family to Detroit, where he unhappily worked in maintenance at the Henry Ford hospital while she became an art student at Northwestern High School, Wayne State University, and the Detroit Institute of Fine Arts. She had joined and supported the Epworth League as a girl and met Oliver Armayor from Key West in 1930 at Strathmoor Methodist Church Epworth League meetings in Detroit. They often went dancing together at the Grande Ballroom, sometimes to the music of legendary bandleaders such as Henry Busse and Ben Bernie. After two years of courtship Oliver proposed though he had lost his job several months earlier and had to return to Key West in 1932 to work with his contractor father. They wrote to one another for years on end before they were formally engaged in 1936 when Oliver joined the Civil Service at the Pensacola Naval Air Station. They were married in the pastor's study of the First Methodist Church of Pensacola in February 1937 and listened to a restaurant band play "Stardust" that evening. Her son Kimball was christened in the same Methodist church soon after his birth in mid-December 1939. Especially after moving to Miami in 1940 and even at the expense of her art she gave everything to her home and husband and three children. Judith Rose was born in November 1941 and Beverly Joyce in September 1943, and even though she later came to be well-known as a local artist and art-teacher in Jacksonville, Florida and frequently exhibited her portraits, still-lives, and landscapes locally, there was never a question of priorities. She was first and foremost a wife and mother and homemaker. In 1965 Mr. Armayor was struck down in his prime by retinal detachments which rendered him legally blind, but a loving Nita learned to drive in her 50's and nursed him back to active life and service in Jacksonville. She was a loyal Methodist from girlhood and the Armayors became founders of Wesconnett Methodist Church, holding almost every lay position there over some 50 years until they were overcome by age and ill health. After 71 years of marriage Oliver died in December 2008. She loved music and art and dogs and all children. She showed selfless love and true religion to all who knew her. She was utterly without malice and completely unselfish. Her parents, Jesse and Rosetta Cripe, an elder brother, Russel Cripe, and sister, Phyllis Cripe Meyer preceded her in death. A beloved younger daughter, Beverly Joyce Armayor Moller, died in 2004. She is survived by her son Oliver Kimball Armayor of Eutaw, Alabama, and his wife Mary Ann; her daughter Judith Rose Armayor Smith of Washington, D.C. and her husband Dane; her daughter Beverly's husband, Herb, seven grandchildren, and 12 great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. on Sat., Feb. 19, 2011, at Wesconnett United Methodist Church, 5630 Wesconnett Blvd., Jacksonville, Fla., 32244, with a reception at the church immediately following interment beside her husband at Riverside Memorial Cemetery. In lieu of flowers the family asks for memorial contributions to Wesconnett United Methodist Church or the American Action Fund for Blind Children and Adults, 1800 Johnson St., Baltimore, MD, 21230.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, February 26, 2011

Lonnie D. Roberts, 55, Frankfort, formerly of Peru, passed away at 12:45 a.m. Friday, Feb. 25, 2011 at Saint Vincent Hospital. Funeral arrangements are pending from Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, February 26, 2011

Roby L. Sparks, 63, Peru, passed away at 4:43 a.m. Friday, Feb. 25, 2011 at the Indiana University Health Arnett Hospital. Funeral arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, February 28, 2011

Alicia M. Newby, 35, Churubusco, passed away Thursday. Memorial services at 11 a.m. today at the Sheets & Childs Funeral Home, Churubusco. The family will receive friends at the funeral home after 10 a.m. today.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, February 28, 2011

Barbara G. See, 80, Indianapolis, formerly of Peru, passed away Wednesday, Feb. 23, 2011 at her residence. She was born in Logansport on Jan. 12, 1931 to David Alan Bratcher and Ethel M. Wilson Bratcher Minter. She was married to Daniel E. See, who preceded her in death in 1990. Barbara retired from HAVCROS in Indianapolis. She is survived by her sons, Michael Joseph (Amy) See, Greenwood, and Gregory Alan (Ruth) See, Flowery Branch, Ga; and a sister, Elsie Raderstorf, Plymouth. Also surviving are five grandchildren and one great-grandchild. She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband. A funeral service will take place at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., with Pastor Robert Adelsperger officiating. Burial will be in Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru. Visitation will take place from noon until the time of service Wednesday at the funeral home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, February 28, 2011

Dale E. Glassburn, 81, passed away at 5:38 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 27, 2011. Funeral arrangements are pending at Allen Funeral Home, 136 S. Elm St., Bunker Hill.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, February 28, 2011

Dallas Grimm, Peru, passed away at 7 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 27, 2011. Funeral arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, February 28, 2011

Helia M. Whybrew, 82, of Peru, passed away at 1:10 a.m., Friday, Feb. 25, 2011, at Caring Hands Healthcare. She was born Oct. 30, 1928, in Shelby County, the daughter of Carl F. and Emma H. Greene. She married George E. Smith in 1950 and he died in 1965. Helia then married Frank Whybrew at Forest Manor United Methodist Church in Indianapolis in May 1973 and he survives. Helia was a member of Parkview United Methodist Church. She was a member of Esther Circle at Parkview United Methodist Church. She and her husband were actively involved with Habitat for Humanity. She volunteered with Cook Theological Seminary in Tempe, Ariz.. Helia enjoyed helping her husband, Frank, on the family farm. Surviving in addition to her husband, Frank, are daughters, Nancy Smith of Indianapolis and Mary Kelley and her husband Mike of Gillette, Wyo.; stepdaughter Janice Moore and her husband, Bill, of Amboy; stepson Ronald Whybrew and his wife, Anita, of Amboy; stepdaughter-in-law Patricia Whybrew; grandchildren Holli Mares, Sean M. Kelley, Ronald Whybrew Jr., Matt Moore, Frank Moore, Dan Moore, Charles Whybrew Jr., and Teresa Lund; and several great-grand children. She was preceded in death by her husband George E. Smith; a son, David Smith; a stepson Charles Whybrew; a sister, Grace Ingram; brothers, William C. Greene and C. Albert Greene. A service celebrating the life of Helia Whybrew will be held today, Feb. 28, 2011, at 3 p.m. at Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home with the Rev. J. Robert Clark officiating. Family and friends will gather from 1-3 p.m. today at Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to Habitat for Humanity. On line condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, February 28, 2011

Larry A. Shively, 78, Bunker Hill, passed away at 8:16 p.m. Friday, Feb. 25, 2011, in Dukes Memorial Hospital. He was born in Miami County on Dec. 26, 1932 to Raymond and Mildred (Childres) Shively. He married Susie (Michael) Shively on Nov. 23, 1973 and she survives. Larry retired from North Central Co-op and also worked at The Learning Tree Golf Course. He served in the U.S. Army. He was a member of the McGrawsville United Methodist Church. He enjoyed golfing and mushroom hunting. Larry is survived by his wife, Susie; his daughters, Phyllis Seward, Kan., and Peggy (Steve) Roach, Kan.; his son, Vincent (Maribeth) Hall, Wolcott; and a brother, William Shively, North Manchester. Also surviving are seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents and three brothers. A funeral service will take place at 10 a.m. Wednesday at the McGrawsville United Methodist Church, 9377 S. 300 East, with Pastor Mark Hill and Pastor Kenny Cole officiating. Burial will be in the Santa Fe Cemetery, Miami County. Friends may call from 3 to 7 p.m. Tuesday at the McGrawsville United Methodist Church. Memorials may be made to the church. Funeral arrangements were entrusted to the Allen Funeral Home, 136 S. Elm St., Bunker Hill.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, February 28, 2011

Roby Sparks, 63, Peru, devoted husband, father, papaw and friend went to be with his Lord and Savior on Friday, Feb. 25, 2011. He leaves behind his beloved wife and best friend of 45 years, Barbara Ann (Moore) Sparks, two very precious children, son Brad (Tonya) Sparks, daughter Tammie (Alan) Sparks Lambert, and two cherished grandsons, Seth and Zachary Sparks; his sister-in-law, Cyndy (John) Crowe; nephews John 'J.R.' (Tricia) Crowe, Peru, and Darren Crowe, serving military intelligence in Afghanistan, and niece Stacy Crowe, Peru. Very special to him were his great nephews, Trevon and Landen Crowe, and great niece Courtlynn Crowe, with whom he spent a lot of precious time with. Also surviving are his mother, Lois

(Vore) Sparks; brother Tim (Judy) Sparks; sisters Nancy (Sparks) Spencer and her children, Trenia, Crystal and William, and Tina (Mark Lucas and their son Shane. Preceding him in death is his father, Ervil Sparks, mother-in-law Halina Moore and father-in-law Charles Moore. Rob's love for trains began with joining the C & O railroad and continued when he joined Amtrak. His love was passed on to his grandchildren, Seth and Zachary, as well as great niece and nephew Courtlynn and Trevon, taking the train to Chicago many times to ride the trolley to Navy Pier. He enjoyed working in his yard and planting flowers, which his youngest great-nephew Landen would help him plant. He loved fishing, taking many early morning fishing trips with his father Ervil, brother Tim, daughter Tammi and brother-in-law Mark, never wanting to leave until he had caught one. He enjoyed his hunting trips as well. Roby loved sports, from watching college basketball with his wife to coaching many children in basketball, T-ball and Babe Ruth. He also officiated high school basketball games and umpired softball for many years, creating many memories with family and friends. A funeral service will be 11 a.m. Wednesday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., with Pastor Phil Cruea, Pastor Tony Winter and Pastor Robert Adelsperger officiating. Visitation will be Tuesday from 4 to 8 p.m. at the funeral home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, February 28, 2011

Virginia Morris, 86, Peru, died at 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 26, 2011, at Miller's Merry Manor Nursing Home, Peru. Services are pending at Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, Peru.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, February 28, 2011

William A. "Bill" Smalley, 84, of Peru, passed away at 2:50 a.m., Friday, Feb. 25, 2011 at Dukes Memorial Hospital. He was born on April 6, 1926, in Peru, the son of William Carl and Edith Smalley. Bill married Ruth Brottmiller at St. John's Lutheran Church on Dec. 25, 1951, and she survives. Bill graduated from Peru High School in 1943. He joined the US Navy and served on the aircraft carrier USS Shangri La during World War II. He was a very active member of St. John's Lutheran Church. Bill was a tool and die worker at Chrysler retiring in 1982 after more than 25 years service. Surviving in addition to his wife, Ruth, is a brother, Robert Smalley of Roann, and several nieces and nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews and great-great nieces and great-great nephews. He was preceded in death by a brother, Carl Smalley, and a sister, Esther Myers. A service celebrating the life of Bill Smalley will be held at 10 a.m., Tuesday, March 1, 2011, at St. John's Lutheran Church, 181 West Main St., Peru with Pastor Kenneth Greenwald officiating. Burial will follow at Ever Rest Memorial Park, Cass County. Family and friends will gather from 5-8 p.m., today, Feb. 28, at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to St. John's Lutheran Church or Dukes Memorial Living Tribute. Online condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, March 1, 2011

Dale E. Glassburn, 81, Miami County, passed away at 5:38 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 27, 2011, at his home. He was born in Miami County on Jan. 25, 1930, to Ora and Jeanette (Nettie) Glassburn, Miami County. He married Marilyn J. (Pearcy) Glassburn in 1951, and she preceded him in death March 1, 2006. Dale was a farmer and was also employed by Continental Steel for 36 years as a machinist. He is a lifetime resident of Miami County, a member of the First Baptist Church of Galveston, and served in the United States Army during the Korean War. He is survived by his children, Allen R. (Marcia) Glassburn, Fort Wayne, Michael K. (Kimberly) Glassburn, Miami, Gary L. (Michelle) Glassburn, Kokomo; a brother, Wayne Glassburn, Nokomis, Fla.; grandchildren; Alicia Biliouris, Alexandria, Va., Megan Glassburn, Missoula, Mont., Nathan Glassburn, Galveston, Amanda Cornwell, Ypsilanti, Mich., Mallory Glassburn, Galveston, Carlee Glassburn, Kokomo, Garrett Glassburn, Kokomo; and great-grandchildren Chase Biliouris, Mary Cornwell, Hobie Biliouris and William Cornwell IV. Dale was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, and his brothers Paul Glassburn and Rex Glassburn. Dale passed peacefully at home and went to be with the Lord and Savior. While we grieve for his loss, we know he is in Paradise with his wife of 54 years and they are once again walking together hand and hand. We will miss his laugh, his love of us and the many kind words. He will always be with us in our hearts until we meet them again in heaven. We all love you Dad, Grandpa and Great-Grandpa. A funeral service will be held Thursday, March 3, 2011, at the First Baptist Church of Galveston, at 10 a.m. with Pastor Warren Purcell officiating. Burial will be at the Galveston Cemetery. Friends may call from 3-7 p.m. Wednesday at the First Baptist Church of Galveston. Arrangements entrusted to the Allen Funeral Home. Memorials may be made to the First Baptist Church of Galveston and Miami County Military Rites Team.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, March 1, 2011

Donald Partlow McFarling, Brownsburg, died at home Saturday, Feb. 26, 2011, from Parkinson's Disease. He was a founder and longtime president of McFarling Foods, an Indianapolis foodservice distributor. Born in Clark County, Ill. in 1922, Don was the youngest child of Leonard I. McFarling and Ora Dell Partlow McFarling. He enjoyed a rich childhood, nurtured by his older siblings, especially his sister, Nelle Marie McFarling Barkley. He enlisted in the Army Air Corps in 1940, and served in the Pacific as a radio operator. He was among millions of veterans who returned home after World War II and resumed his life, marrying Esther Malinda Ulrey in 1946. Along with his brothers John, James and Robert, he started the company, then called McFarling Brothers, in 1948. Through the years, the brothers built a company known for its integrity and honesty. Don and his brothers worked together and played together with numerous trips to fishing camps in Canada. Don loved tennis and poker. He learned to fly in a Starman Biplane, and built his own ham radio station in the basement of his home, where he talked to other operators around the world. He was an avid reader who especially enjoyed the works of Louis L'Amour. For many years, Don hosted the McFarling Family Reunion on July 4, with well over 100 relatives and guests attending from all over the U.S. and

Canada. Following the death of Linda, Don married Lillian (Betty) Marburger McFarling, and they enjoyed a nurturing and loving relationship for over 20 years. He also gained a large, loving, supportive family in addition to his own family. His later life was filled with family and the enjoyment of the fruits of his life's labor. His personal legacy is of an honest, humble man who was trusting and generous, and served as a mentor and friend to many. He will be missed. Don is survived by his wife, Lillian (Betty) Marburger McFarling; sons Leonard (Carla), Charles (Leslie); daughters Marta, Julia Wise (Bill) and Bonnie McFarling; numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren; stepsons John Marburger (Rosemary), David Marburger (Angie), Paul Marburger (Pam); stepdaughter, Lisa Stanfield (Rob); numerous stepgrandchildren and great grandchildren; stepsons, John Marburger (Rosemary), David Marburger (Angie), Paul Marburger (Pam); stepdaughter, Lisa Stanfield (Rob); numerous step grandchildren and step great grandchildren. A memorial service is planned for 11 a.m. Saturday at Mount Tabor Baptist Church, 7300 S. Indiana 267, Lebanon. Interment will be private. In lieu of flowers, donations may be given to the church or Saint Vincent Hospice.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, March 1, 2011

Lonnie D. Roberts, Frankfort, formerly of Peru, passed away at 12:45 a.m. Friday, Feb. 25, 2011 at St. Vincent Hospital. He was born in Peru on March 19, 1955 to Vola (Cole) Roberts and the late C.D. Roberts. He served in the U.S. Army and was a self-employed contractor. Lonnie is survived by his mother, Vola, Peru; daughter, Kelly Miller, Ft. Polk, La.; son, Dustin Hess, San Angelo, Texas; brother, Larry Roberts, Red Boiling Springs, Tenn.; sisters Dorothy (Jimmy) Herron, Peru, and Judy Hartley, Francisville; and his companion Che Che Roberts. He was preceded in death by his father C.D. Roberts. A private service will be held, with no visitation. Arrangements are entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home. Record Number: 82ad5fa12ef8fa1573a44ebd77a04f17184221 Copyright © 2011 The Peru Tribune, Paxton Media Group. All rights reserved.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, March 1, 2011

Timothy Wade Sidney Estep, 21, Bloomington, died Saturday, Feb. 26, 2011. Services are 1 p.m. Thursday, March 3, 2011, at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Thursday at funeral home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, March 1, 2011

Virginia Jean Morris, 86, of Bunker Hill, passed away at 4:30 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 26, 2011, at Miller's Merry Manor in Peru. She was born on May 3, 1924 in Pittston, Pa., the daughter of John and Carmella Delaporta Musto. Jean married Walter R. Morris on May 30, 1941, and he preceded her in death on Feb. 3, 2001. Jean was a former employee of Square D and a member of the St. Charles Catholic Church. She is most remembered for the many years she was a volunteer at St. Vincent de Paul, where she greeted everyone with a warm smile and a soft hello. She is survived by sons John Morris and his wife, Priscilla, of Murfreesboro, Tenn., and Alvin Morris and his wife, Ellen, of Indianapolis; a daughter Regina Steffey and her husband, Darrald, of Bunker Hill; sisters Carmella Musto of Kokomo, Mary Moore and her husband, Charles, of Kokomo and a brother John Musto and his wife, Jean, of Fort Wayne; nine grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, Walter; a son, Richard, three brothers, Pat, Paul and Sam Musto and a sister, Lena Kleszics. A memorial service celebrating the life of Virginia Jean Morris will be held at 1 p.m., Saturday, March 12, 2011, at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 West Main Street, Peru, with Pastor Evan Strong officiating. Burial will be in Mt. Hope Cemetery, Peru. Memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Condolences may be made online at eddyfuneralhomes.com

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, March 2, 2011

Cecilia A. Dallas-Grimm, 58, passed away peacefully at her home on Sunday, Feb. 27, 2011, surrounded by her close friends and her dogs and cats. Cissie, as she was known to her friends, was born on July 17, 1952, in Corpus Christi, Texas, to Doris and Cecil Dallas who preceded her in death. She is survived by a sister, Shirley Sauls; two brothers, Tommy Dallas and Jerry Dallas; a daughter, Sandra Osbon; two sons, David Moorhouse and John Canterbury and four grandchildren. Also surviving are her two beloved dogs and three cats. Another brother, Gerald Dallas, also preceded her in death. Cissie worked for a number of years at the commissary at Grissom Air Base, and worked in civilian personnel overseas in Turkey for several years. Cissie graduated with a Bachelors of Science Degree in Criminal Justice from Indiana University- Kokomo in 2001 after which she served as director of the Miami County CASA program. Cissie was a member of St. Charles Catholic Church in Peru and a long time member of Sigma Phi Gamma International Sorority, Alpha Mu chapter in Peru. While in sorority, Cissie held numerous chapter offices and was Province President, Editor and Counselor for several years. She enjoyed traveling, reading, being with her sorority sisters and spending time with her two closest friends, Betty Sprunger and Jill Marconi. Visitation and receiving of friends for Cissie Dallas-Grimm will be held on Thursday, March 3, from 5-6 pm at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home in Peru followed by a memorial service at 6 pm with the Rev. George McCarty officiating. A Sigma Phi Gamma Zeta service will follow at 6:30 pm. Memorial contributions may be made to Helping Hands Food Bank for which Cissie organized several food drives.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, March 4, 2011

Janis Marie Fiscus, 67, Bunker Hill, died at 2:15 a.m. Monday, Feb. 28, 2011. Survivors include sister Virginia Ildefonso. Services are at 3 p.m. Saturday at Ellers Mortuary Main Street Chapel.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, March 4, 2011

Steve R. Fogelsong, 63, Peru, died at 10:09 a.m. Wednesday, March 2, 2011 at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. Funeral Arrangements are pending at Murray Weaver Funeral Home, 401 S. California St., Galveston.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, March 4, 2011

Wilma N. Hedrick, 95, Kokomo, passed away at 10:54 a.m. Thursday, March 3, 2011 at Waterford Place Health Campus, Kokomo. Funeral arrangements are pending at Laird-Eddy Funeral Home, 201 N. Main Street, Amboy.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, March 5, 2011

Clara Mae (Clemans) Winegardner, 84, of Rochester, went to receive her treasure in Heaven at 10:37 a.m., Thursday, at the home of her daughter Judy Davis in Edmond, Okla. Clara was born in Fulton County to Mary V. (DuBois) and Merritt Clemans. Mary Clemans, her mother, died in 1930 when Clara was 4 years old. She was then raised by her Aunt Ethel (DuBois) and Uncle George Duey along with her cousins David and John Duey, who became more like brothers than cousins. She was married June 22, 1946, to Wilbur O. "Boots" Winegardner who preceded her in death Feb. 5, 1996, just shy of their 50th wedding anniversary. Clara was a homemaker and public accountant. She ran her income tax business for over 60 years. She enjoyed catching up with each one of her clients as they arrived during the tax season. Clara went to church during her childhood at the Mud Creek Chapel on Old U.S. 31. She served on the Board of Trustees to preserve the chapel, cemetery, heritage and memories until her death. After the chapel doors closed for worship, she became a faithful member of the Rochester Church of Christ. Her love for God was evident her entire life. Her prayer for her children and grandchildren was that they would love their God with all their hearts and strive to deepen that relationship. Clara also loved flowers and birds. Her yard was filled with a beautiful mix of iris', gladiolas, lilies, snap dragons, peonies, poppies, and roses (to name a few). The plants and greenery served as a backdrop behind the many bird feeders around her house. She would sit in her chair and watch the birds by the hour in her later years. Her other interests included sewing, fishing, mushroom hunting, watching the Indianapolis Colts, gospel music, and traveling. Some of her excursions led her to Europe, Mexico, Canada, and every state in this wonderful country of ours. The standout trips that she talked about most was the mission trip to Miskolc, Hungary; the motor home drive to Alaska; the breathtaking drive through the New England States in the fall; the annual trip on Mother's Day weekend to Branson with her girls; sitting in the roaring waves of the Pacific Ocean in Hawaii; being blinded by the snow on the top of the Swiss Alps; and singing a gospel medley with her daughter, Judy, as they looped down the mountain road overlooking the Italian Riviera. She had lots of stories to tell about her adventures and listening to those stories never grew old. When family and friends think of Clara Mae in the days, months, years ahead she will be remembered for the special touches that could only come from her...homemade noodles; fudge in the fudge platter; ribbons on packages crunched just right; excitement in her voice when she found another missing puzzle to the family tree; homemade apple dumplings; potato salad like no other; the way she decorated the house at Christmas that exuded the most wonderful feeling of "home"; bringing neighbors, family and friends together for Cocoa and Carols at the chapel; the thrill at seeing her little wren come back to spend another summer with her; her collection of rain water buckets; her rich, wonderful alto voice that would make you stop just to listen; the Christmas greenery on the fireplace mantle all year; homemade strawberry and raspberry jam; but most of all she will be remembered for her sweet, giving spirit; the twinkle in her eyes; and a smile that would light up a room. Family was a very important part of Clara's life. Even when Clara and her brother, Dean, were separated to live with different relatives, she realized during those pivotal years that family was everything. She loved those that were taking care of her but she longed for the family unit of her mom, her dad and her brother. As Clara started her own family, there was never any question how important family was to her. During the early part of her marriage, she was a caregiver to her bedridden mother-in-law and father-in-law until their deaths even as she was raising four small children. Clara also moved her Aunt Ethel Duey into her home and tended to her for many years until her death. She leaves behind her family who love and adore her; her cherished church family; her many, many friends; her lifelong neighbors; her classmates from the Fulton High School class of 1944; and her devoted tax clients of many years. Survivors include three daughters, Lana Blanchard, Albany; Janie and husband Sid Smart, Claremore, Okla.; Judy Davis, Edmond, Okla.; one son, Jack Winegardner and wife Debbie, Macy. She is also survived by nine grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her parents; husband, Boots Winegardner; one brother, Dean Clemans; one half-brother, Jay Clemans; one step-brother, Leo Woodhouse; cousin, David Duey; and great-granddaughter, Megan Blanchard. Services will be held at 1 p.m., Tuesday, March 8, at the Rochester Church of Christ, 520 E. 5th St., Rochester, with Jim Dillinger and Michael O'Brien officiating. Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday, March 7 at Zimmerman Brothers Funeral Home, 1101 Jefferson St., Rochester. Burial will be in the Plainview Cemetery, Macy.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, March 5, 2011

Lowell "Dean" Strunk, 75, Peru, passed away on Thursday, March 3, 2011, at his home. He was born March 26, 1935, in Williamsburg, Kentucky, to Leslie E. and Hettie (Woods) Strunk. On July 1, 1954, he married Mary E. Strunk, and she preceded him in death on July 14, 2001. He lived in Kokomo from the age of 18 and retired from Delco Electronics after 35 years of service. He shot archery for many years and loved to fish and hunt. He was known to many as "KY". Survivors include his daughter, Debbie Morris; granddaughters, Kayla Morris, and Holly (Wayne) Stapleton; great-grandchildren, Jaylin Morris, and Zachery Stapleton, all of Peru, Jenny Spane, and Matt Spane, Kokomo; sister, Faye (Joe) Broerman, Kokomo; and brothers, Jim and Les Strunk, Kokomo, Bill Strunk, Lafayette, Carl Strunk, Nashville, Tennessee, and Bob Strunk, London,

Kentucky. In addition to his wife, he was preceded in death by his parents; daughter, Kathy Strunk; and brother, Denny Strunk. The funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. Monday at Sunset Memory Garden Funeral Home, Kokomo. Entombment will follow at Sunset Memory Garden Cemetery, Kokomo. Visiting hours will be from 4 to 7 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home. Condolences to the family may be made at www.sunsetmemorygarden.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, March 7, 2011

On March 5, 2011, after an extended battle with cancer, **Elizabeth Ann Appleton** went to be with the Lord. She was at home, where she was surrounded by the love of family and friends. Liz was born Jan. 14, 1958, in Rochester to Donald and Jacquelyn Hagenbush. She is survived by a father, Don Hagenbush; a husband, Dave Appleton; a brother, Chris (Debbie) Hagenbush; and a son, Brandon (Sarah) Appleton. She is also survived by several extended family members, as well as nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her son, Chris Appleton, and mother, Jackie Hagenbush. Liz's love of God was evident in her life, as well as her fight with cancer, as she never gave up on living, fighting or loving. She never complained of the treatment or side effects from this terrible disease, and always kept her witty sense of humor. Her strength was visibly drawn from the Lord. During her life, she found true joy in helping others and putting them before herself. "You get the most Joy by giving it," she said. Liz was a loving wife, mother and friend to many. She was an active member at Olive Branch Church of God in Roann, where she learned the meaning of the love of Christ. She enjoyed being employed for many years at Four County Counseling Center in Logansport as the Human Resources Director. Liz loved spending time with friends on her motorcycle, on the sandy beaches when traveling, or watching a sunset with those she loved. Her love of life and the Lord will be truly missed by those who were lucky enough to know her. Live well, laugh often, love much. Funeral service will be 2 p.m. Thursday at the Olive Branch Church of God, one and a half miles east of Indiana 19 on 1200 North, with Pastor Allen Barton officiating. Visitation will be on Wednesday from 3 to 8 p.m. at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St. Memorial contributions may be made to the Christopher Appleton Memorial Fund.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, March 7, 2011

Robert E. LaBare, 76, Peru, died at 10:30 a.m. Friday, March 4, 2011, at Select Hospital, Fort Wayne. He was born Feb. 22, 1935, in Crescent Spring, Ky., the son of Henry and Angeline (England) LaBare. He married Sue Hoepfner on Aug. 2, 1956. She survives. Also surviving are two sons, Dirk LaBare, Logansport, and Eric LaBare, Peru; three daughters, Lori (Phil) Ledyard, Constantine, Mich., Denise Witham, Constantine, Mich., and Julie LaBare, Peru; two sisters, Norma Crosthwaite, Erlanger, Ky., and Mary (Ron) Lantz, Crittenden, Ky.; 12 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Paul and Henry LaBare. Mr. LaBare was a die setter for General Motors in Marion. He was a member of the General Motors Sympathy Club, and enjoyed woodworking and coin collecting. He served in the U.S. Air Force. Services will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday, March 8, 2011, at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru. Pastors Kenneth Greenwald and Mark Karlson will officiate. Burial will be at Lutheran Cemetery, Peru. There will be a military committal service provided by Miami County's Military Rites Unit. Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m. today, March 7, at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, March 7, 2011

Russell A. Stoppel, 76, Peru, died at 11:30 a.m. Friday, March 4, 2011, at Hickory Creek at Peru. He was born Feb. 26, 1935, in Rochester, Minn., the son of Ralph and Rosalie (Riess) Stoppel. Survivors include four sons, Russell (Stephanie) Stratton, Lake Charles, La., Roy (Charla) Stoppel, Donathan, Ala., Ross Stoppel, Peru, and Curt Stoppel, Los Angeles, Calif.; two daughters, Roslynn Stoppel, Peru, and Renee Stoppel, Tulsa, Okla.; two brothers, Lauren Stoppel, Byron, Minn., and Charles Stoppel, Lincoln, Neb.; 10 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents and an infant son, Walter. Mr. Stoppel was an aircraft inspector and pilot. He retired from the U.S. Air Force, and was a Vietnam veteran. He was a member of the VFW Lodge, enjoyed gardening and airplanes. He was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church, Peru. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, March 8, 2011, at St. John's Lutheran Church. Pastor Kenneth Greenwald will officiate. Burial will be at Ever-Rest Memorial Park, Cass County. There will be a military committal service at the cemetery provided by the Miami County Military Rites Unit. Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m. today, March 7, at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, March 7, 2011

Steve R. Fogelson, 63, Peru, died at 10:09 a.m. Wednesday, March 2, 2011, at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. He was born June 22, 1947, in Howard County to LaVon and Bertha (Martin) Fogelson. He first married Alice Boring on May 28, 1966, in Galveston. She preceded him in death on June 28, 1994. He later married Juanita (Johnson) Fogelson on July 27, 1985. She survives. Also surviving are sons Roger (Lisa) Fogelson, Logansport, and Ryan (Terri) Fogelson, Peru; five grandchildren, Cody, Kyle, Braxton, Alice and Tristan; two sisters, Bonnie Davis, Frankfort, and Rosanell Fogelson, Noblesville; nephews and nieces Perry Fogelson, Annette Fogelson, Becky Fogelson, John Davis, Jeff Davis, Kelly Boring and Amy Boring; step-daughters Melissa Adams, Peru, and Christi McClish, Peru; six step-grandchildren, Jennifer Johnson, Brandon Johnson, Caleb Borneman, Jesse McClish, Layla McClish, Noah McClish; a great-step-granddaughter, and special friends Tom and Kelly Maynard, Bob and Deb Lynas and Dr. Don and Marlys Roegner. He was preceded in death by his wife, Alice, a brother, Carol Fogelson, a brother-in-law, John Davis, and his mother-in-law JoAnn Johnson. Mr. Fogelson worked for 32 ¼ years at Delco Electronics as a carpenter, retiring in 1998. He was a member of the Galveston Masonic Lodge. He enjoyed racing, boating, snow skiing, fishing, horseback riding, flying model airplanes and spending time with his grandkids and his family.

He served in the National Guard Reserves. Memorial services will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, March 10, 2011, at Murray Weaver Funeral Home, Galveston. Burial will be in Galveston Cemetery, Galveston. Calling will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home. Online condolences may be sent to the family a www.murrayweaverfuneralhome.com

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, March 8, 2011

Christopher M. "C-Nasty" Smith, 26, of Indianapolis, passed away March 5, 2011. He was born Jan. 4, 1985 to Katy Smith Young and Mark Smith. Christopher attended Warren Central High School, where he played football. He traveled around the U.S. and to Aruba, as a professional paintball player, playing for the "Stone Assassins" out of Los Angeles, Calif. His other hobbies included basketball, attending sporting events and concerts and playing with his nephews. Chris is survived by his mother, Katy Young (Mike); father, Mark Smith (Kathy); brother, Jason Smith; sister, Laura "Lolo" Smith (Darin Brooks); grandparents, Barbara Harmon and Dan Murillo; great-grandmother, Mary Daily; stepbrothers, Eric Young and Jarod Morgan; stepsister, Kadee Morgan; girlfriend Tabitha Smock and her children, Mikayla and Mason, and several aunts and uncles. He loved his cat, "Nasty," and niece-dog, "Doshia." He was a special, loving uncle to his nephews, Darin Jr. and Jordan Tyler Brooks. Visitation will be Thursday, March 10, 2011 from 4 p.m. until the time of services at 7 p.m. at Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel, 9606 E. Washington St., Indianapolis. Memorial contributions may be made to the Humane Society of Indianapolis or the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation Indiana Chapter.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, March 9, 2011

Aaron Browning, 81, Peru, passed away at 10 a.m. Tuesday, March 8, 2011 at his residence. He was born in Harlan County, Ky., to Marsh and Bertha (Boggs) Browning. He married Christine Madden on April 8, 1952 and she preceded him in death on Dec. 27, 2002. Aaron served in the U.S. Army and was a retired hod carrier for the Labors and Union No.274 in Lafayette. He was a member of the Zion Chapel Church and enjoyed gardening. He is survived by his brothers, Asbel (Lorraine) Browning, Pine Mountain, Ky., Jim Browning, Denver, and Marsh (Juanita) Browning, Peru; and his sisters, Lola (Dan) Jordan, Roann, and Rose (Tom) Appleton, Peru. Several nieces and nephews also survive, including Betty (Terry) Gentry, Denver, Peggy (Ralph) McQuinn, Macy, Jennie Lester, Lexington, Ky., Donald Browning, Lowell, Ky., and Marty (Melody) Browning, Denver. He was preceded in death by his wife; his parents; three brothers, Donald, Aster, and Levi Browning; and a sister, Wanda Rogers. A funeral service will take place at 1 p.m. Friday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., with Pastor George Dinkel and Pastor Donald Browning officiating. Burial will be in Ever-Rest Memorial Park, Cass County. Visitation will be on Friday from 10 a.m. until the time of service at 1 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to the Zion Chapel Church.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, March 9, 2011

Lynden Eugene Swanson Jr., 54, Rochester, died Monday. Services at 10 a.m. Friday, March 11, 2011, at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation 4-8 p.m. Thursday and one hour before service at funeral home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, March 9, 2011

Phyllis Mae Robbins Johnson, 87, Twelve Mile, passed away Monday evening, March 7, 2011 at Howard Regional Health Systems, Kokomo. Born Sept. 22, 1923, in Cass County, she was the daughter of the late Oran William and Ruth Hazel Irvin Robbins. She was married to Russell Eugene "Buck" Johnson on June 28, 1947, in Twelve Mile; he preceded her in death in February 1976. She was an active member of Skinner Worship Chapel, near Twelve Mile. She was also a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Cass County and Indiana Retired Teachers, Colonial Dames, XVII Century, and the Society of Mayflower Descendants. After graduating from Twelve Mile High School, Phyllis attended Indiana University in Bloomington, where she graduated with a bachelor's degree in accounting. She then returned to IU after teaching for several years to get her master's degree in education. She retired in 1988 from Logansport High School, having taught business education. She began her career in teaching at Mays High School. While in Rush County, she met the man that would become her husband and later moved back to her hometown and began teaching at nearby Chili High School, which later incorporated into North Miami High School. Phyllis was a talented musician and enjoyed sharing her piano skills at church and with the Over-the-Hill Gang. Phyllis was a very active member of the Twelve Mile community. She wrote for many years for the Mile Post and was very active in recording the history of her family and Cass County. Survivors include three sons, Robert W. Johnson and wife Gale, Carmel; Richard W. Johnson and wife Bobbi, Peru; and Thomas R. Johnson, Twelve Mile; three grandsons, Benjamin T. Johnson, Fort Wayne; Christian R. Johnson, Kokomo; and Michael P. Johnson, Greenwood. She was preceded in death by two sisters, Wilma Rusk and Marilyn Faudskar; and a brother, William Robbins. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday at Skinner Worship Chapel, near Twelve Mile, with Pastor Tom Robbins officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery. Friends may call from noon to 2 p.m. before the funeral at the church. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Riley Children's Hospital. Condolences may be sent online at www.mcclainfh.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, March 10, 2011

Dean Wayne Flannery, 52, Denver, passed away at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, March 8, 2011 at his residence. Born July 9, 1958, in Denison, Iowa, he was the son of Forest L. and Korleen Dean Flannery. On June 18, 1978, in Peru, he was married to Deborah Lou Rogers, and she survives. Dean graduated from Madison-Grant High School in 1976. He then joined the U.S. Air Force and proudly served until 1980. Dean owned and operated MCM Machine Company and Lanjax Trophies and Engravings, both of rural Denver. He was a proud member of the NRA. Dean loved animals and enjoyed taking care of his

dogs and cats. Survivors include his wife Deb, Denver; mother Korleen Hall, Mapleton, Iowa; two sons, Donn Fredrick Whitenight and his wife Laura, Rochester; and Jason Scott Whitenight and wife Brenda, Kokomo; five grandchildren, Cheyenne, Dakota, Cherokee, Caitlyn and Emily Whitenight; one brother, Denis Flannery, Danbury, Iowa; Diane Gosch, Mapleton, Iowa; Deneen Schrank, Independence, Mo.; his step-grandmother, Mary Lou Flannery, Springport; and several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins. He was preceded in death by his father and grandparents. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver, with Pastor Brad Eckerley officiating. The family invites friends and family to dress casually for the services. Burial will follow at Westlawn Cemetery, Denver, with military honors provided by the Miami County Military Rites Team. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. on Friday at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to Rosie's Rescues. Condolences may be sent online at www.mcclainfh.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, March 11, 2011

Steven R. Judson, 61, of Peru, passed away at 6:14 p.m., Wednesday, March 9, 2011, at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. He was born in Auburn, N.Y. on April 24, 1949, the son of Robert and Berneita Tullett Judson. Steve married Paula Pitzeruse in Clyde, N.Y., on April 4, 1970, and she survives. Steve was a 1967 graduate of Savannah High School, in Savannah, N.Y., and served as a non-commissioned officer in the U.S. Air Force for 24 years retiring in 1994. He was active in Big Brothers & Big Sisters of Miami County, the Toastmasters and Kiwanis Club. Steve had won several contest and received numerous awards in various Toastmaster activities. He was past president of the Air Force Sergeants Association at Grissom Air Force Base. An avid Star Trek fan, Steve was a "Trekkie", a NASCAR enthusiast and follower of driver Mark Martin. For the past several years, Steve and his grandchildren planted the flowers at Miller's Merry Manor that were donated by Garden Gate Greenhouse. Additionally, Steve served as Master of Ceremony and an escort for the annual Miller's Merry Manor Sweetheart Festivities. Steve and his wife, Paula, lovingly raised two children. He was a devoted, husband, father and grandfather who thoroughly enjoyed "kid sitting" with his grandchildren. He had a wonderful sense of humor and delighted in playing practical jokes on his grandchildren. Surviving in addition to his wife, Paula, is his daughter, Jodie Miller-Campbell and her husband, Jason, of Peru; his son, Michael Judson and his wife, Lisa, of Peru; his grandchildren, Brett Miller, Brook Miller, Brynn Miller, Bradee Miller, Isaac Judson, Jaden Judson and Alex Judson; his mother and stepfather, Frank and Berneita Campbell of Phelps, N.Y.; a sister Gail McMillian of Tyre, N.Y. and a brother, Kevin Judson of Phelps, N.Y. Family and friends will gather from 2-5 p.m. Sunday, March 13, 2011, at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 West Main, Peru, IN. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to the Kiwanis. On line condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, March 11, 2011

Virginia Jean Morris, 86, of Bunker Hill, passed away at 4:30 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 26, 2011, at Millers Merry Manor in Peru. She was born on May 3, 1924 in Pittston, Pa., the daughter of John and Carmella Delaporta Musto. Jean married Walter R. Morris on May 30, 1941, and he preceded her in death on Feb. 3, 2001. Jean was a former employee of Square D and a member of the St. Charles Catholic Church. She is most remembered for the many years she was a volunteer at St. Vincent de Paul, where she greeted everyone with a warm smile and a soft hello. She is survived by sons John Morris and his wife, Priscilla, of Murfreesboro, Tenn., and Alvin Morris and his wife, Ellen, of Indianapolis; a daughter Regina Steffey and her husband, Darrald, of Bunker Hill; sisters Carmella Musto of Kokomo, Mary Moore and her husband, Charles, of Kokomo and a brother John Musto and his wife, Jean, of Fort Wayne; nine grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, Walter; a son, Richard, three brothers Pat, Paul and Sam Musto and a sister, Lena Kleszics. A memorial service celebrating the life of Virginia Jean Morris will be held at 1 p.m., Saturday, March 12, 2011 at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 West Main Street, Peru, with Pastor Evan Strong officiating. Burial will be in Mt. Hope Cemetery, Peru. Memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Condolences may be made online at eddyfuneralhomes.com

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, March 14, 2011

James William Kirby, 88, formerly of rural Wabash, died at 3:31p.m. Saturday, March 12, 2011, at Marion General Hospital. He was born April 18, 1922, in Wabash County, to Frank and Mary (Baldinger) Kirby. Jim married Rhea I. Hileman in Wabash County, on Feb. 9, 1946. He worked at the Richvalley Grain Elevator 37 years. He enjoyed working crafts, mowing his yard, music, gardening, and flowers. He is survived by his wife, Rhea I. Kirby of LaFontaine; six children, Joyce A. (John) Hacker of Markle, Indiana, Richard (Pat) Kirby of Wabash, Myrl (Kathy) Suddarth of Del Rio, Tenn., Delores Suddarth of Peru, N.Y., Julie (Phil) Good of Wabash, and Beverly Suddarth of Kokomo; a sister, Arlene Metzger of Peru, Ind. Also surviving are 14 grandchildren, and 33 great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his son, James Kirby Jr., four brothers, Eldon, Everett, Kenneth, and Wayne Kirby, and a sister, Martha Boyer. Funeral services will be held at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 1241 Manchester Ave., Wabash, on Wednesday, March 16, 2011 at 10:30 a.m. with David Phillips officiating. Burial will be in Friends Cemetery, Wabash. Friends may call 4-7pm Tuesday at the funeral home. Preferred memorial is Wabash Friends Church. The memorial guest book for James may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, March 14, 2011

Marion "Denzel" Price, 97, Rochester, died at 4:26 a.m. March 12, 2011. Funeral service 10 a.m. Tuesday in Saint John's Lutheran Church, Rochester. Visitation 4 to 8 p.m. Monday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, March 14, 2011

Rebecca L. "Becky" Mullen, 48, passed in her residence after a long battle with cancer at 11:55 p.m. Wednesday, March 9, 2011. She was born in Marion on May 27, 1962, to the late Rickard W. Mullen and Elizabeth L. (Johnson) Shelton. Becky was a 1980 graduate of Eastbrook High School. She loved her grandkids and was a loving mother and friend. She graduated from beauty school in 1983. She worked as a hair stylist for many years before becoming a sales rep for Vickory Beauty Supply in Kokomo. Survivors include her mother, Elizabeth L. (Johnson) Shelton, Florida; a son Tom Rohrer, Kokomo; a daughter Jennifer Rohrer, New Castle; a brother Ron Mullen, Marion; a sister Mary (Tom) Reynolds, Marion; a grandson Ocean Blaine Rohrer, a granddaughter Patience Mae Rohrer; half-sisters, Tina (Eric) Jones, Marion, and Susan (Bob) Walker, Converse. She was preceded in death by her father and brother, Samuel Mullen. Family will receive friends from 4 - 6 pm on Tuesday, March 15, 2011, at Needham-Storey-Wampner Funeral Service, Storey Chapel, 400 E. Main Street, Gas City. Memorial contributions may be directed to Howard Regional Health Center Cancer Services, 3500 S. LaFontaine St., Kokomo, Indiana 46902 or Cancer Services of Grant County, Inc., Tower Suites, 305 S. Norton Avenue, Marion, Indiana 46952. Family prefers live plants, in lieu of flowers. Online condolences may be made at www.nswcares.com

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, March 15, 2011

David Cohee, 75, of Peru, passed away at 11:10 a.m., Monday, March 14, 2011, at his home surrounded by his loving family. He was born in Peru on July 6, 1935, the son of Leo and Minnie Lesley Cohee. David married Flora M. Zimmerman in Bryan, Texas, on Sept. 24, 1955, and she survives. David graduated from Peru High School and served as a non-commissioned officer in the U S Air Force for twenty years retiring in 1972. He was a Korean and Vietnam War veteran. His military decorations include the Vietnam Service Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, the Air Force Medal, and the Air Force Good Conduct Medal. Following retirement from the Air Force, David was employed by the Bryan Steam Corporation retiring in 1990. He was a member of the Peru Maennerchor and the Air Force Sergeant's Association. David and his wife, Flora, lovingly raised four children. His most treasured role was serving his family as a devoted husband, loving father, grandfather and great-grandfather. He was a very kind and generous man with a memorable smile and a quiet sense of humor. Left behind to celebrate the love and legacy of David's life is his wife Flora, his daughters Carol Stec and her husband, Jonathan, of Bartlett, Tenn., Donna Gysin of Peru and Velma Cook and her husband, Timothy, of Traverse City, Mich.; his son Phillip Cohee and his wife, Patricia, of Peru; brothers Joseph Cohee and his wife, Elaine, of Florida and Phillip Cohee and his wife, Jane, of Rochester; sisters Elizabeth Cohee of Peru and Dorothy Brown of Kimberling City, Mo.; 12 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister Mary Poff. A graveside service celebrating the life of David Cohee will held at 11 a.m., Wednesday, March 16, 2011, at Mt. Hope Cemetery, Peru, with David's grandson, Pastor Shane Stec officiating. Memorial donations may be made through the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home to the Salvation Army. Condolences may be made on line at eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, March 16, 2011

Beverly Ann Eakes, 70, Rochester, passed away 5:30 a.m. Tuesday at Miller's Merry Manor, Culver. Services will be held 1 p.m. Friday in the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitations hours begin two hours prior.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, March 16, 2011

James Allen Priddy, 68, Rochester, passed away 4:43 p.m. March 14 at Parkview Hospital, Ft. Wayne. Services will be held in the Good Family Funeral Home 6 p.m. Thursday. Visitations hours are from 2-6 p.m.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, March 16, 2011

Luther P. Carrothers, 77, passed away at 2:30 a.m. Tuesday at his residence. Funeral services will be held 3 p.m. Saturday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver. Visitations are from 1-3 p.m. Saturday.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, March 17, 2011

Luther Paul Carrothers, 77, of Peru went to be with the Lord after a six-year battle with ALS on Tuesday, March 15, 2011, at his home surrounded by his loving family. He was born in Macy on Sept. 7, 1933, to Victor and Ethel (Halterman) Carrothers. He married Lucille Wade on June 19, 1953, and she survives. Luther graduated from Gilead High School in 1951. He served in the U.S. Army in Korea from 1955 until 1957. He retired from Norfolk & Southern Railroad after 23 years. Luther was a member of Center Chapel Brethren Church and enjoyed woodcarving, bicycle riding, and was an avid sports fan. He was preceded in death by his parents and his brother James. He will be lovingly remembered by his wife, Lucille; his children, Cathy Whybrew (Richard) of Peru, Michael of Urbana, and Mark (Brenda) of Kirklin, his brothers Robert (Eunice) of South Bend, Willis of Macy, and Brice (Ruth) of Peru, nine grandchildren, four step-grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren. Please join in celebrating the life of Luther at a visitation and memorial service at McClain Funeral Home on Saturday, March 19. Visitation will be from 1 to 3 p.m. followed by the memorial service. Military honors will be provided by the Miami County Military Rites Team. Memorial donations may be made through McClain Funeral Home to the Indiana Chapter ALS Association or Wabash-Miami Hospice.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, March 17, 2011

Mary Ellen Gilbreath went to be with the Lord on Feb. 1, 2011. She was married to Rex G. Gilbreath on Dec. 31, 1947, in Indianapolis. She was preceded in death by her parents Wayne and Mable (Peters) Ladd, her brother John Ladd, and her husband Rex Gilbreath. Mary was a homemaker and bookkeeper for the family farms. Survivors include sons Noble Gilbreath,

Bob Gilbreath and wife, Vicki; four grandchildren Matthew Gilbreath, Sarah Ellen Williams and husband, Tommy, Heather Gilbreath, Jonathan Gilbreath; two great-grandchildren Fletcher and Daisy Williams. Mary was a lifelong member of Grace Methodist Church in Kokomo, and also went to Kingdom Life Christian Ministries with her son, Noble. Mary and Rex enjoyed spending many years in Yuma, Ariz., in the winters. Mary will be greatly missed by family and friends. There will be no visitation. A private family service will be held Saturday, March 19, 2011, at 10 a.m. at the Galveston Cemetery. Arrangements entrusted to the Allen Funeral Home Bunker Hill, Indiana.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, March 17, 2011

Maurice A. Azbell, 82, Rochester, died Monday. Services at 1 p.m. Monday, March 21, at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation 5-8 p.m. Sunday and one hour before service Monday. Masonic service 7:30 p.m. Sunday.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, March 17, 2011

Stanton J. Heeter, 77, Roann, went to be with his heavenly Father at 10 a.m. on March 15, 2011 at Duke's Memorial Hospital, Peru. He was born in Laketon on November 22, 1933 to Stanton H. Heeter and Mary L. (Sickafus). Heeter married Mary Alene Smith on June 3, 1969. She survives. He graduated from Wabash High School in 1951. He, with his wife, owned and operated Heeter General Contracting, Roann, for over 50 years. He enjoyed fishing, cooking for others and working in his garden. He liked to go to family reunions and loved spending time with his family, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He was the first to help anyone in need that he could. He is survived by sons, Thomas E. (Kellye) Heeter, Edmonds Wash.; Scott A. Heeter, Roann; Phillip S. (Barb) Heeter, Peru; Brian K. Heeter, North Manchester; and John M. (Shawna) Heeter, Roann; Daughters, Mary Anna Coe, Wabash; Laura May (Mike) Bradley, Ijamsville; Miriam Ann (Junior Hiner) Linkenhoker, Ijamsville; Marianne Chloe Bolin, Wabash; Michelle (David) Fulkerson, Wabash; and Sherry A. (Gale) Courtney, Roann; brother, Donald B. (Mary) Heeter, Fort Myers, Fla.; and sister, Sharon (Thurmon) Easterday, Ijamsville. One sister, Shirley Swinger, is deceased. Heeter has 24 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren. Services will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, March 18, 2011 at McKee Mortuary, 1401 Ind. 114 W., North Manchester, with Pastor Lowell Burris officiating. Calling is from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday. Burial will be in Laketon Cemetery, Laketon. Memorials may be given to Roann Volunteer Fire Dept., PO Box 216, Roann, IN 46974 or Roann Food Pantry, 40136 N. 400 W, Wabash, IN 46992. Condolences may be sent to mckee mortuary.com .

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, March 19, 2011

Ronald L. Conklin, 64, Peru, passed away at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, March 17, 2011 at St. Vincent Hospice, Indianapolis. He was born in Logansport on Nov. 9, 1946 to Leroy and Dorothy (Riffe) Conklin Bakehorn. He married Sandra Hartleroad Oct. 21, 1973 and she survives. Ronald graduated from Peru High School in 1965. Friendly and outgoing, he never met a stranger. Active in his class reunions, acting as emcee for several of them, retired tool and die maker at Trelleborg, and was active the Peru Circus for over 40 years, first as a rigger and later as a clown. He also worked as a parade official for many years. He was a member of the Peru Church of the Brethren. A member of the Peru Lions Club he twice served as president and received the Melvin Jones award. He was a coach and licensed official in football and volleyball for the IHSAA. He initiated Santa's House (played Santa) at the Courthouse, was a member of the Custom Kings Car Club, showing his 1951 Chevy and his Corvette, enjoyed riding his motorcycle. Ronald is survived by his wife Sandra and daughter Tiffany Pope (Thomas), grandsons Brayden and Austin Pope, granddaughter Mary Pope and several nieces and nephews. Also surviving are sisters Cheryl Whittenberger (Gene) Mexico, Vicki Gilsinger (Dana) Peru, Harriett Cooper, Peru, Nancy Bell, Kentucky, brothers Dennis Conklin (Alicia) Peru, Greg Conklin (Dixie) Peru, Mike Bakehorn (Patty) Peru, Ray Bakehorn (Bonnie) Wawpecong, and Basil Bakehorn, Peru. He was preceded in death by his parents, and two brothers Dale Bakehorn and Don Bakehorn. A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, March 21, 2011, at the Church of the Brethren, 134 E. 5 th St., Peru with Pastor Phillip Cruea officiating. Burial will be at Mt. Hope Cemetery, Peru. Friends may call from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Sunday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home 105 W. Third St. Memorial contributions may be made to the Church of the Brethren.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, March 21, 2011

Lillian Mae Lawrence, 76, Denver, died at 6:25 p.m. on Saturday at Saint Joseph Hospital in Fort Wayne. Born July 21, 1934 in Miami County, she was the daughter of the late John Q. and Martha Coblentz Bell. Sept. 7, 1952 in Miami County at the home of the late Rev. Austin Gable, she was married to Michael A. Lawrence, and he survives. Lillian was a 1952 graduate of Chili High School. She was a Miami County 4-H leader for several years, and she was an avid gardener. For 23 years, she owned a greenhouse northeast of Chili. She had worked at Kresge's Department Store, Sherrill Corporation and AGP. Survivors include three children, Kenneth E. Lawrence and wife Jean, Logansport; Patricia A. Sanai and husband Behrooz, Carmel; Michelle K. Lawrence, Fort Wayne; four grandchildren, Michael Lawrence, Portland, Maine; John Lawrence, Logansport; Leila and Joshua Sanai, Carmel; five nieces and two nephews. One brother, Weldon F. Bell, preceded her in death. Graveside services will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Chili Cemetery, Chili. Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m. Tuesday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver. Memorial contributions may be made to Chili Cemetery.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, March 21, 2011

Margaret "Peg" Burkholder died at her home Saturday. She was born Jan. 31, 1918 in Crawfordsville, to James M. and Helen Griest Daly. Before graduating from Peru High School in 1935, she attended schools in Crawfordsville and Attica. She married Lemoine Burkholder July 31, 1943 in North Carolina before Lemoine was shipped overseas during World War II. In

her younger years, she was a “toe,” or ballet dancer. She was a homemaker and lovingly raised five children with her husband. She lived most of her life in Miami County. She was active in the American Legion auxiliary for many years and was a past president. She owned The Yarnery in Peru for several years, where she taught crocheting and sold yarn and related items. She loved to crochet, and all her children and grandchildren have beautiful remembrances of her handiwork, in particular her afghans, slippers and baby blankets. She also crocheted baby caps and donated them to Riley Hospital. She enjoyed reading, sewing, playing cards and especially loved playing Bingo. And she was “famous” for her fudge and devil’s food cake with caramel frosting. “Peg” was of the Catholic faith. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Lemoine, on Aug. 30, 1998; a son, Danny, on July 11, 2002; and an infant great-grandson, Trenton Cardwell. Also preceding her in death were a sister, Mary Raymer, and a brother, Richard Daly. She is survived by four daughters, Sue Craft, West Lafayette, Sherri (Gene) Throop, Bristow, Shannon (Jon) Eisaman, Peru and Star (Berman) Parson, Roann; and a daughter-in-law, Elizabeth Burkholder, Kokomo. Also surviving are 10 grandchildren, seven step-grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren and six great-great-grandchildren. Two sisters, Pat Barta (Gene) of Vero Beach, Fla., Rita Wilson, of Columbus; a brother, David Daly, of Littleton, Colo.; one sister-in-law, Helen Thomas, of Marion; a “special” niece, Patty Patton, of Wabash, also survive, as well as many other step-great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers, donations, may be made to Riley Hospital or the American Cancer Society. Friends may call from 4 to 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St. Funeral will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, with Pastor Gene Throop officiating. Burial will be in Marion National Cemetery, Marion.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, March 21, 2011

Robert Kreutzer, 88, formerly of Peru, died at 11:20 a.m. Sunday in Indianapolis. Funeral arrangements are pending from Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main St.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, March 22, 2011

Larry L. Wilkinson Jr., 51, of Peru, died. Arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, Peru.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, March 22, 2011

Margaret “Peg” Burkholder died at her home Saturday. She was born Jan. 31, 1918 in Crawfordsville, to James M. and Helen Griest Daly. Before graduating from Peru High School in 1935, she attended schools in Crawfordsville and Attica. She married Lemoine Burkholder July 31, 1943 in North Carolina before Lemoine was shipped overseas during World War II. In her younger years, she was a “toe,” or ballet dancer. She was a homemaker and lovingly raised five children with her husband. She lived most of her life in Miami County. She was active in the American Legion auxiliary for many years and was a past president. She owned The Yarnery in Peru for several years, where she taught crocheting and sold yarn and related items. She loved to crochet, and all her children and grandchildren have beautiful remembrances of her handiwork, in particular her afghans, slippers and baby blankets. She also crocheted baby caps and donated them to Riley Hospital. She enjoyed reading, sewing, playing cards and especially loved playing bingo. And she was “famous” for her fudge and devil’s food cake with caramel frosting. “Peg” was of the Catholic faith. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Lemoine, on Aug. 30, 1998; a son, Danny, on July 11, 2002; and an infant great-grandson, Trenton Cardwell. Also preceding her in death were a sister, Mary Raymer, and a brother, Richard Daly. She is survived by four daughters, Sue Craft, West Lafayette, Sherri (Gene) Throop, Bristow, Shannon (Jon) Eisaman, Peru, and Starr (Berman) Parson, Roann; and a daughter-in-law, Elizabeth Burkholder, Kokomo. Also surviving are 10 grandchildren, seven step-grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren and six great-great-grandchildren; two sisters, Pat Barta (Gene) of Vero Beach, Fla., and Rita Wilson, of Columbus; a brother, David Daly, of Littleton, Colo.; a sister-in-law, Helen Thomas, of Marion; a “special” niece, Patty Patton, of Wabash, also survive, as well as many other step-great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers, donations, may be made to Riley Hospital or the American Cancer Society. Friends may call from 4 to 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St. Funeral will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, with Pastor Gene Throop officiating. Burial will be in Marion National Cemetery, Marion.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, March 22, 2011

Robert Allison, 80, Hartland, Mich., formerly of Peru, passed away on Monday, March 21, 2011 at 3:20 a.m. in Detroit, Mich. Arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, Peru.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, March 22, 2011

Robert L. Kreutzer, 88, our beloved father and husband, formerly of Peru, passed away at 11:20 a.m., Sunday, March 20, 2011 in Indianapolis. He was born in Peru on Oct. 29, 1922, the son of John B. and Elba (Ord) Kreutzer. Bob married Kathryn Jones in St. Charles Catholic Church in Peru in 1946 and she survives. A 1942 graduate of Peru High School and a member of America's greatest generation, Bob enlisted in the U.S. Navy in 1943 and was a World War II veteran. His military decorations include the American Arena Service Medal, the WWII Victory Medal, the Asiatic Pacific Campaign Ribbon, the Philippine Liberation Medal and the Good Conduct Medal. After the war, Bob returned home and worked in the Kreutzer family business and also served as post master in Peru. He loved singing in the St. Charles Choir for more than 50 years and being a member of the Ole Olson Theater. He served his community in numerous positions on the City Council, Chamber of Commerce, the Red Cross, and served on the Parish Council of the St. Charles Catholic Church. He was a member of the American Legion, the Elks Club and the 4th Degree Knights of Columbus, Msgr. Paul A. Welsh Assembly No.2146. He is survived by his wife of 64

years, Kathryn; daughters Joyce Buening and her husband, Bob; Joan Knaack and her husband, Bill; Jan Bowles and her husband, Matt; a son John Kreutzer and his wife, Jean; 11 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren also survive. He was preceded in death by his parents, and three brothers, John, Richard and Thomas Kreutzer. A Mass of Christian Burial celebrating the life of Robert Kreutzer will be held at 10:30 AM, Thursday, March 24, 2011, at the St. Charles Catholic Church, 58 West Fifth Street, Peru, IN with Rev. Francis I. Kilcline III officiating. Burial will be in St. Charles Catholic Cemetery with military graveside services provided by members of the Miami County Military Rites Unit. Family and friends will gather from 5-8 p.m. Wednesday at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 West Main Street, Peru, IN with a prayer service at 7:30 PM, Wednesday at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital. Condolences may be made online at eddyfuneralhomes.com

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, March 22, 2011

Wilfred "Fred" Warren Raber, 81, of Peru, passed away Monday, March 21, 2011, 6 a.m. at Dukes Memorial Hospital, Peru. Arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, March 23, 2011

Jerome A. "Jerry" Banina, age 82, of Schererville, passed away Thursday, March 17, 2011, surrounded by his loving family. He is survived by his three children: Jeri Lynn (John) Sherby of Highland, Gary (Patricia) Banina of Hammond, and Daniel (Helene) Banina of Peru; grandchildren: Jay Sherby, Jennifer Reicherts, Christopher Banina, Samuel Banina, Lauren Banina, Hannah Banina; great-grandchild, Jonathan Banina; sister, Elaine (Joe) Rizzardo; brother, William (Joan) Banina; and numerous nieces, nephews, and many good friends. Funeral services were held Monday, March 21, 2011, and Jerry was laid to rest at Chapel Lawn Memorial Gardens, Schererville. Jerry was a retired employee of Inland Steel Co. and Calumet Chicago Pneumatics Co. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army. He was an outstanding musical talent. Jerry was a member of the Tamburitza Hall of Fame where he received a 50 Year Award. He was a founder of the Star Serenaders Tamburitza group for over 60 years providing tamburitza (eastern European) music for many occasions.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, March 23, 2011

Larry L. "Free Bird" Wilkinson Jr., 51, Peru, passed away at 11 p.m. December 3, 2010. He was born in Peru on Nov. 21, 1959 to Larry L. Wilkinson Sr., Wabash, and Calista J. (Floyd) Wilkinson, Boswell. Larry was a carpenter. He is survived by his parents, step mother Vinnie Wilkinson, Wabash, daughter Jessica Wilkinson, Lafayette, sons Jerry Bartlow, of Earl Park, Ryan Wilkinson, of Lafayette, Travis Wilkinson, of Lafayette, and granddaughter Jaleeza Wilkinson. Also surviving are brothers Gary Wilkinson, Wabash, Lawrence Wilkinson, West Lebanon, Dwayne Wilkinson, Bunker Hill, sisters Brenda Norman, Ambia, Virginia Lundquist, Hillsboro, and Calista Cook, Boswell. A memorial service will be held Friday, March 25, 2011 at 3 p.m. at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home 105 W. Third St., Peru, with Minister Helen Thomas officiating. Friends May call from 1 p.m. until time of service at the funeral home. Love offerings may be made to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, March 23, 2011

Robert LaMoine Allison age 80, from Hartland, Mich., died on March 21, 2011, at the Veteran's Hospital in Detroit, Mich. He was born July 9, 1930 in Wabash. He was preceded in death by his mother, Geraldine, stepfather, Virgil Kindlesparker, and son, Robert Langley Allison. He retired from the United States Navy where he served our country for 23 years during of which he received many awards and commendations. He is survived by his wife, "Becky" Brewer-Allison of Hartland, Mich.; daughters Ranya (Brian) Sibley, Angela (the late Charles), Loudermilk; grandchildren Robert Trexler, Anthony (Flora), Dayand Jolene (Jacob) Rhodes, all of Loveland, Colo.; stepson Robert (Karen) Brewer; grandchildren David (Amanda) Brewer, Kristen and Rachel Brewer all of Howell, Mich.; and great-grandchild Alexandra Day of Loveland, Colo. He was very much loved and will be greatly missed. A memorial service will be held Thursday, March 24, 2011 at 4 p.m. at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home with Pastor Dave Jodry officiating. Friends may call Thursday from 3 p.m. till time of service.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, March 23, 2011

Wilfred "Fred" Warren Raber, Sr., 81, Peru, died at 6 a.m. March 21, 2011 at Dukes Memorial Hospital. Born Dec. 27, 1929, in Mexico, he was the son of the late Claude Leroy Raber and Alma (Raber) Meeks. His stepfather was the late James Meeks. Fred was married on Jan. 27, 1951, to Patricia Ann Lewis and she survives. Fred attended Peru High School. He was a U.S. Army veteran and retiree of the C&O Railroad. Fred loved playing cards, fishing, gardening, family gatherings and attending Chapel of Praise. He was preceded in death by his brothers and sister, Gordon Lee Raber, Dean Leroy Raber and Phyllis Rye. He is survived by four children, Debbra (John) Fritz, Patti (Clarence) Seifert, Wilfred (Debbie) Raber, Jr., and Bruce Raber. His son, Claude Steven Raber, preceded him in death. Also surviving are 11 grandchildren, Lecia (Fritz) Spence, Leslie (Fritz) Beauchamp, Damon Seifert, Angela (Seifert) Heishman, Mark Seifert, Jered Raber, Adam Raber, Quinn Raber, Katie Baker, Candice Baker and Sarah Baker; and 13 great grandchildren, Joshua, Alexis, Chase, Dalayna, Carson, Isaac, Rilya, Dalton, Caden, Jaden, Kilyn, Kaylee and Jackson. Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home. Funeral will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home with Pastor David Ross officiating. Burial will be at the Greenlawn Cemetery, Mexico, with military graveside services provided by the Miami County Military Rites Unit. Memorial contributions may be made to the Chapel of Praise.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, March 24, 2011

Annona M. Packard, 92, Peru, died Tuesday, March 22, 2011, at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. She was born May 7, 1918, in Fulton County Virl and Leola Belle (Chapin) Zartman. She married Vearl W. "Woodie" Packard on March 22, 1936. He preceded her in death on Feb. 2, 1995. Survivors include three daughters, Dorris (Warren) Clingaman, Kokomo, Carol Wilburn, Rochester, and Sue Stambaugh, Peru; two sons, Jim (Janet) Packard, Denver, and Garrie (fiance Glenda) Packard, Peru; 18 grandchildren; 40 great-grandchildren and nine great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, a brother, four sisters and an infant son, Vearl D. Packard. Mrs. Packard was a homemaker. Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, March 25, at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru. Pastor Dick Wiles will officiate. Burial will be in Mt. Hope Cemetery, Peru. Friends may call from 6-8 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, March 24, 2011

Kenneth E. Gehring, 77, Peru, died at 2:05 a.m. Wednesday, March 23, 2011 at Dukes Memorial Hospital. Funeral arrangements are pending from Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main St.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, March 24, 2011

Roy W. Glentzer, 91, Rochester, died March 22, 2011. Services are at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 26, at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation 4-8 p.m. Friday. Burial is in Athens Hoover Cemetery, Athens.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, March 25, 2011

Kenneth E. Gehring, 77, of Peru, passed away at 2:05 a.m., Wednesday, March 23, 2011, at Dukes Memorial Hospital in Peru. He was born in Peru on March 27, 1933. Kenny married Phyllis White in Denver, on September 22, 1951, and she survives. Kenny was a 1951 graduate of Peru High School and was employed as a machinist at the Chrysler Corp. Transmission Plant in Kokomo, for more than 30 years retiring in 1986. He was a member of the Peru Moose Lodge, the Fraternal Order of Eagles and the Miami Nation of Indians of Indiana. Kenny and his wife, Phyllis, lovingly raised five daughters. He took his daughters camping around the Lake of the Ozarks where he taught each one of them to ski and to appreciate the beauty of the great outdoors. He loved to fish Michigan waters for Coho and ride his Harley with his wife Phyllis. Kenny had an early 78th birthday celebration this past Sunday surrounded by his wife, children and grandchildren, who truly cherished their time spent with him. Left behind to celebrate the love and legacy of Kenny's life is his wife of more than 59 years, Phyllis; daughters, Christine Bowyer and her husband, Steve, of Peru, Marietta Gay and her husband, Tom, of Cleburne, Texas, Debi Giver and her husband, Bernard, of Peru, Virginia Graybeal and her husband, Michael, of Logansport and Diana Board and her husband, David, of Addison, Texas; grandchildren, Marissa and Robert Doyle, Christopher Bowyer, Anthony and Shannon Marie Corbin, Casey Giver, Mollie Graybeal and Joseph Graybeal; great-grandchildren, Audie Menen, Hadley Corbin, Perry Menen, Alissa Estep, Robert J. Doyle III. and Carolyn Anthony Doyle. A service celebrating the life of Kenneth E. Gehring will be held at 1:30 P.M., Monday, March 28, 2011, at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 West Main, Peru, with Pastor David Ross officiating. Family and friends will gather from 2-5 p.m. Sunday at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home. Memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to the Miami Nation of Indians. Condolences may be made on line at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, March 25, 2011

Nelson C. Rogers Jr., 75, passed away March 18, 2011, at his residence in Peru following an unexpected illness. Nelson was employed by Miami Beverage and worked as a driver distributor. He is survived by two daughters; Terri (husband Dave) Martin and Vicki (husband Bob) Rubincam. Four grandchildren, four great-grandchildren; a brother; Leonard (wife Chelsie) Rogers; sisters; Shirley (husband Gaylord) Rogers and Linda (husband John) Farmer; also surviving are several nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents; Nelson C. Rogers Sr. and Lillie Mae Rogers. Three brothers; Raymond Rogers, Kenneth Rogers, and James Rogers. Two sisters; Wilma Hatton and Maxine Rogers. Funeral services will take place at 1 p.m. on Monday, March 28, 2011, at the Mausoleum of Ever Rest Memorial Park 8315 East Logansport Road with two hours of calling prior to the service at the mausoleum. Burial will take place at Ever Rest Memorial Park.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, March 26, 2011

Geraldine L. "Gerri" Lees, 83, Peru, passed away at 3:10 p.m. Thursday, March 24, 2011 at Millers Merry Manor, Peru. She was born in New Waverly, Ind. on April 20, 1927 to Daniel and Sylvia (Spurgeon) Wilson. She married Earl Lees in 1946, and he preceded her in death May 16, 2007. Geraldine was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church of Bunker Hill. She was an avid baker, and was known for baking cookies. Geraldine is survived by a niece Glenna (husband Ron) Youngblood, Peru, grandson Aaron (wife Debi) Youngblood, Marseilles, Ill., great grandchildren Madison and Max Youngblood, sisters; Joan (husband Jim) Gates, Kewanna, Phyllis Malott, Walton, and Hermaleen (husband Joe) Jenkins, Peru. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband Earl, daughter Konda Lees, five sisters and one brother. There will be no visitation. Arrangements are entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, March 26, 2011

Weldon M. Reynolds, 88, passed away Thursday, March 24, 2011, at Dukes Memorial Hospital following an extended illness. He was born July 11, 1922, in Bunker Hill, Indiana. He was employed by United Technology where he worked as a utility man for 44 years and retired in 1988. He served his country in the United States Army during World War from 1942 to 1943 and the Navy Reserves. He was a member of the Missionary Baptist Church in Peru, the American Legion and 40-8. He graduated

from Butler Township High School and was an avid harmonica player who was self taught and would play with anyone that would let him join in especially Blue Grass music. He is survived by his wife Mary Reynolds; five children, Miriam (Richard) Blodgett, Naomi (Jim) Ballengee, Max (Linda) Reynolds, Bonita Reynolds, and Dale (Ronda) Reynolds; eight Grandchildren: Rachel, Sarah, Jamie, Jackie, Holly, Kaci, Chris, and Logan; five great-grandchildren, Emily, Andrew, Jack, Charlotte, and Clay; a sister-in-law, Pauline Reynolds and several nieces and nephews including a special niece Mary Kay McElheny. He is preceded in death by his parents: Omer and Myrtle (Long) Reynolds; a sister, Opal Hartleroad, a brother, Cecil Reynolds and three infant siblings; Roy, Walter, and Thelma Reynolds. Funeral Services will be held at 1 pm on Tuesday March 29, at the mausoleum of Ever Rest Memorial Park with Pastor Cannus Sparks officiating. Visitation will be from 11:00-1:00 pm on Tuesday, March 29, 2011 at Ever Rest Mausoleum. Burial will take place at Ever Rest Memorial Park. Military Rites will be conducted in honor of Weldon's service to his country.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, March 29, 2011

Edward A. Brindle Sr., 84, of Peru, passed away at 1:40 p.m., Friday, March 25, 2011, at Dukes Memorial Hospital in Peru. He was born in Peru, April 8, 1926, the son of Orvel and Ethel (Cattin) Brindle. He married Connie Capella on June 26, 1948 at the St. Charles Catholic Church in Peru and she survives. As part of America's Greatest Generation, Ed left high school in 1944 and enlisted in the United States Marine Corps. He participated in action against the enemy at Okinawa and the Ryukyus Islands. Twice he was wounded in action against the enemy and was the recipient of two Purple Hearts. Other military decorations include the Good Conduct Medal, the World War II Victory Medal, the Asia Occupation Service Medal, the China Service Medal the Asiatic Pacific Campaign Medal and the National Defense Service Medal Following his discharge from the service, Ed returned to Peru and graduated from Peru High School. Ed became a tool and die maker and worked in the Logansport area for several years, in 1965 he established Peru Tool & Engineering Company and served as president and general manager until his retirement in 1991. Ed was a lifelong Peru and Miami County resident and he and his wife Connie lovingly raised three children. A man of great faith and integrity, he was a active member of St. Charles Catholic Church, he was past Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus, Cardinal O'Hara Lodge No.718 and past Faithful Navigator of the 4th Degree Knights of Columbus, Msgr. Paul A. Welsh Assembly No.2146. Ed was also a member of Miami County VFW Post 2067 and Peru American Legion Glen Owens Post 14. He was also an avid Notre Dame fan. Surviving in addition to his wife of more than 62 years, Connie, is his daughter Lana Cummings and her husband, John, of Bloomington, and their daughter, Niki; a son Rick Brindle and his wife, Clarissa, of Peosta, Iowa, and their children Nicholas, Jacob and his fiancé, Rachel, and Jessica and her husband, Doug Morris, and a daughter-in-law, Lisa Brindle, of Murfreesboro, Tenn., and her children Angela Michelle and her husband Terry Winnett, and Craig and Edward Jr.'s daughter, Angela Marie. Five great-grandchildren also survive. He was preceded in death by his parents, a son Edward Jr. in 2009 and one brother and one sister. A Mass of Christian Burial celebrating the life of Edward A. Brindle will be held at 10:30 AM, Tuesday, March 29, 2011 at the St. Charles Catholic Church, 58 West Fifth Street, Peru, with the Rev. Francis I. Kilcline III officiating. Military honors will be provided by the Miami County Military Rites Unit. Family and friends will gather from 5:00-8:00 PM, Monday at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 West Main Street, Peru. There will be a prayer service at 7:30 PM, Monday at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to the St. Charles Catholic Church or St. Jude Children's Hospital. Online condolences may be made on line at eddyfuneralhomes.com .

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, March 29, 2011

Ovon C. Howell, 52, Peru, passed away at 5:55 a.m. Monday, March 28, 2011, at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. He was born in Logansport, on Dec. 8, 1958, to Albert W. and Mary I. (Case) Callander. He married Terry L. Howell March 7, 1986, and she preceded him in death February 19, 2011. Ovon was a homemaker. He is survived by sons, Joshua Howell, Peru, Martin Howell, Peru, Jonathan Howell, Peru, and a daughter, Lisa (Jefferey) Wessell, Peru, three granddaughters Emily Howell, Anna Howell, and Lillie Anne Wessell. Also surviving are several nieces and nephews, including Dennis and Deborah Chambers, brothers William Callander, Logansport, Danny Case, Peru, sisters Elizabeth Callander, Peru, Mary Jane Harshman, Peru, and sister-in-law Rebecca (Danny) Logsdon, of Peru. A funeral service will be held at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home 105 West Third St., Peru, Wednesday, March 30, 2011, at 7 p.m. with Pastor John Alton officiating. Friends may call at the funeral home on Wednesday from 4 p.m. until time of service.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, March 29, 2011- Wednesday, March 30, 2011

Thanet L. Ousley, 69, Peru, passed away at 8:52 p.m. Sunday, March 27, 2011, at Dukes Memorial Hospital, Peru. She was born in Peru, on May 18, 1941, to Herman Sr. and Wanda (Pegg) Butzin. She married Donald Ousley Sr. on April 16, 1970, and he survives. She was formerly employed by American Stationery, and also as a beautician. She graduated from Peru High School in 1959. She loved her dog, Buddy, enjoyed playing bingo, crocheting and flowers. She attended the First Presbyterian Church. Thanet is survived by sons Clifford Cavins Jr., Illinois, Don Ousley Jr., Peru, Chuck Ousley, Peru, and Tony Ousley, Peru, daughters Kim Holman, Michigan, Cheryl Schlemmer, Converse, and Dawn Schwarzkopf, Indianapolis; a brother, Herman Butzin Jr., Peru; a sister Patty Newnum, Peru, 17 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents and a brother, Jim Butzin. A funeral service will be held at First Presbyterian Church 102 W. Main St. Peru, Thursday, March 31, 2011 at 11 a.m. with Pastor Larry Moslener officiating. Burial will be at Mt. Hope Cemetery, Peru. Friends may call from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. Wednesday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home 105 West Third St., Peru.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, March 30, 2011

Andy Maus, 35, Kokomo, died at 11:59 p.m. Saturday, March 26, 2011 at Fairmont Rehabilitation Center, Kokomo. He was born Oct. 28, 1975 in Kokomo. Survivors include his mother, Nancy Bartlett and Husband Richard, Lehigh Acres, Fla.; father, Steven Maus and wife Linda, Russiaville; Brothers, Joe Maus and wife Rae, Greentown and George Maus and wife Lisa, Kokomo; Justin Maus and wife Tarah, Kokomo; nephews, Josh Maus and wife Shannon; Jason Maus and wife Holly; and Joey Maus; niece, Stephanie Maus, and step-grandmother, Gwendolyn Maus, Peru. He was preceded in death by grandparents Herschel and Bernice Maus and Ralph and Thelma Baumgartner. The family wishes to thank all of the staff of Fairmont Rehabilitation Center in Kokomo and Normal Life in Sheridan and Arcadia for their care and compassion shown towards Andy over the past several years. Graveside services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday at Westlawn Cemetery, Denver, with Pastor Jerry Ausbrook officiating. Memorial contributions may be made to the United Cerebral Palsy Association, 107 N. Pennsylvania St., Suite 804, Indianapolis, 46204, and online at www.ucpaindy.org. Arrangements are being handled by McClain Funeral Home, Denver. Condolences may be left online at www.mcclainfh.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, March 30, 2011

Charles D. Bannon, 60, Peru, passed away at 8:04 a.m., Tuesday, March 29, 2011 at his residence surrounded by the family he loved so much. He was born in Greencastle, March 24, 1951 the son of Donald and Julia Imogene Falconbury Bannon. Chuck married Catherine "Cathy" Largent in Greencastle, on September 24, 1971 and she survives. Chuck attended the Christian Heritage Church, was a U.S. Navy veteran who served aboard the USS Shangri-la and a truck driver. He was a devoted husband, father and grandfather, and an avid woodworker. He also enjoyed camping, fishing and coin collecting. Left behind to celebrate the love and legacy of Chuck's life is his wife, Cathy; daughters, Michelle Sparks and her companion, Wes Williams, of Peru, Megan Arnett and her husband Gary Jr. of Peru, and Stacey McCord of Peru; grandchildren Zachory Arnett, Kylie Green, Garrett Sparks, Mikel Arnett, and Aerial Mosley, Ashley Mosley, Chace Mosley and Dalton Williams; his father and step-mother, Donald and Marybel Bannon of Little Rock, Ariz.; a sister, Elizabeth McKinney and her husband, Sonny, of Sheridan, Ariz.; brothers, Jerry Bannon and his wife, Denise, of Brazil, Payton Bannon and his wife, Alethia, of Texas and Kerry Bannon of Little Rock, Ariz. and his aunt Pat Wacaster and her husband, Bob, of Mountain View, Ariz. A service celebrating the life of Charles D. Bannon will be held at 11 a.m., Friday at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main St., Peru, with Pastor James Sparks officiating. Burial will be at Ever Rest Memorial Park, Cass County, with Military Graveside Services provided by the Miami County Military Rites Unit. Family and friends will gather from 5 to 8 p.m. Thursday at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home. Memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to the American Cancer Society. Condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, March 30, 2011

Helen V. Boyer Brown, 88, Peru, passed away on Monday, March 28, 2011, at her home in Peru. She was born in Swayzee on Feb. 5, 1923, the daughter of Edward and Mildred (Barrett) Brock. She married Lester Ogle on Nov. 7, 1942. He preceded her in death on March 30, 1955. She then married Raymond Boyer on Dec. 12, 1962. He preceded her in death on July 12, 1980. She then married Roy Brown on Nov. 12, 1996. He preceded her in death on Nov. 23, 2008. Survivors include two sons, Larry (Phyllis) Boyer, Galveston, and Ron (Terri) Boyer, Peru; a daughter-in-law, Christina Boyer, Logansport; two brothers, Edward (Blanche) Brock, Galveston, and Roger (Ginny) Brock, Kokomo; two sisters, Carolyn (Roy) Swihart, Inverness, Fla., and Joyce (Steve) Reed, Walton; grandchildren Tina and Dan Dishon, Logansport, Raymond and Kellie Boyer, Logansport, Lori and Bret Daily, Kokomo, Brad and Cristi Boyer, Greentown, Nicole and Jeremy Fennell, Macy, and Lisa and Jeremy Juliot, Peru; great-grandchildren Nicholas Dishon, Trevor, Shyann and Shaylee Boyer, Cole and Leah Daily, Drake and Lillia Boyer, Wyatt Juliot and Bradyn and Hannah Fennell; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husbands, a son, Raymond Boyer, and two brothers, Paul and Dale Brock. Mrs. Brown worked as an administrative assistant for Logan Machine for 25 years, retiring in 1983. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, Bonita Springs, Fla. She graduated from Walton Tipton township High School in 1941 and also attended Indiana Business College in Kokomo. Her family was the most important part of her life. Services will be at 1 p.m. Thursday, March 31, 2011, at Murray-Weaver Funeral Home, Galveston. The Rev. Warren K. Purcell will officiate. Burial will be at Galveston Cemetery, Galveston. Calling will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, March 31, 2011, at Murray-Weaver Funeral Home, Galveston. Memorials may be made to St. Jude's Children's Hospital or the Salvation Army. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.murrayweaverfuneralhome.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, March 31, 2011

Kari N. Poindexter, 24, Peru, died at 11:58 a.m. Monday, March 28, 2011, in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne. She was born April 16, 1986, in Peru, to Vicki (Kindlesparker) Poindexter. Kari was employed at Premier Playsets, Wabash. She is survived by her companion, Earl VanHoose, Peru; one son, Hunter Poindexter, Peru; three brothers, Derek (Jaymi) Poindexter, Medina, Ohio, Chris (Teresa) Poindexter, Indianapolis, and Kenny Poindexter, Indianapolis; a sister, Kelly (Brandt) Shambarger, North Manchester; six nieces & nephews, Cody Poindexter, Bailey Poindexter, Nichole Shambarger, Zachary Poindexter, Curtis Poindexter and Marcus Poindexter. Friends and family may call Saturday, April 2, 2011, from noon - 2 p.m. at McKee Mortuary, 1401 State Road 114 W, North Manchester. For those who wish to honor the memory of Kari Poindexter, memorial contributions may be made to Final Expense Fund c/o McKee Mortuary, 1401 State Road 114 W, North Manchester, IN 46962. To send a private condolence to the family, go to www.mckeemortuary.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, April 1, 2011

H. Paul Bullick, 90, formerly of Peru, died at 1:40 p.m. Thursday, March 31, 2011, in Shelbyville. Services are pending at Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, Peru.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, April 1, 2011

Lois Janet Wilder, aged 86, traveled home with Christ her Savior on March 29, 2011. A storyteller, humorist, painter, knitter, gardener, cook, a daughter, wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, everything she touched turned towards joy and beauty. Lois's generous with, ready laugh and selfless love will be remembered by her husband Jack Wilder, daughters Janet Dunning and Julie Banta and husbands, son Jackson Wilder, nine grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, friends and extended family. We are blessed and made richer for her life. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday at Brookside CRC, 3600 Kalamazoo Ave. SE, Grand Rapids, Mich. Visitation will be held at the Zaagman Memorial Chapel from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday. Memorial donations can be made out to: "Lois Wilder Memorial," Mary Free Bed Rehabilitation Hospital, Attn: Administration, 235 Wealthy SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49503. Arrangements by Zaagman Memorial Chapel, 2800 Burton St. SE, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, April 2, 2011

H. Paul Bullick, 90, fondly known by most Peruvians, as "Mr. B," passed away at 1:40 p.m., Thursday, March 31, 2011, at the Ashford Place Health Campus in Shelbyville. He was born in Peru on March 4, 1921, the son of Charles and Clara Garber Bullick. Paul married Dorothy Butt in Peru on June 8, 1941 and she preceded him in death on April 24, 1995. Paul was a 1939 graduate of Peru High School and as a part of America's Greatest Generation served in the US Army during World War II. He started his business career at the S. S. Kresge Store in Peru, after which he managed Kresge stores around the country. He later owned and operated a Ben Franklin Store in Peru and Mr. B's Laundromat until his retirement in 1995. Paul was an active member of the Main Street United Methodist Church, the Peru Rotary Club, Peru-Miami Lodge No.67 F & M, Peru Elks Lodge and the Miami County VFW Post No.2067. He is survived by two daughters Carolyn Dice of Traverse City, Mich., and Diana Barnett of Indianapolis; four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. A service celebrating the life of H. Paul Bullick will be held at 11 a.m., Monday, April 4, 2011 at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 West Main Street, Peru, IN with Pastor James MacDonald officiating. Burial will be in Mt. Hope Cemetery with military graveside services provided by the Miami County Military Rites Unit. Family and friends will gather from 2-4 p.m., Sunday at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home. There will be a Masonic Service at 4 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home. Memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to the Main Street United Methodist Church. Online condolences may be made to the family at eddyfuneralhomes.com

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, April 4, 2011

Joseph Ellis "Joe" Teel, 87, Macy and formerly of Twelve Mile, passed away at 5:02 a.m. Friday morning, April 1, 2011, at his daughter's residence in Athens. Born May 25, 1923, near Perrysburg, he was the son of William R. and Jessica E. Lockwood Teel. Joe was a 1942 graduate of Deedsville High School. He was a member of the former Denver First Brethren Church where he had taught Sunday school for several years. Joe was best known for the way he cocked his hat on his head and for telling stories of long ago. Some of the best included his best friend Jr. Mills, and with several of his nieces and nephews, Susie Bell, Punk, Skeeter, and Meat Rind. Besides telling stories, Joe liked to work. He was always busy outside; he farmed up until the 1970s and also worked outside the home with his cousins and son-in-law, Larry, at Millers Sawmill in Perrysburg and later at Van Duynes in Rochester. Joe enjoyed farming and gardening even in the recent few years, planting and caring for over 600 gladiolas in his yard. He was very proud of them and encouraged people to stop by and pick a bunch to take home or just to drive by and admire them. He also grew peach trees and tulips which he loved very much. Surviving are three daughters, Jolynn Rouch, Rochester, Gary Troyer, Logansport; Sonja Miller and husband Larry, Perrysburg; and Pat Coffing, Rochester; grandchildren, Chad and Kayla (Oberg) Schneider, Zack and Cassie Schneider, Jessica Bruce, Laynie and Abbey Rouch, Gail and Randy Troyer, Deb and Russell Cornelison, Cody Joe and Rynae Miller, Rod and Robbie Coffing, Tonya and Kyle O'Farrell; great grandchildren, Jayden and Cali Schneider, Emma Schneider, Megan and Cory Holland, Zach and Abigail Troyer, and Katlin and Ryan O'Farrell; one great-great granddaughter, Payton Day Marie; one sister, Naomi Knauff, Peru; one sister-in-law, Alice Teel, Macy; several nieces and nephews; his extended family of Ora and Ann Clemons along with their children; and his former wife Betty L. Richardson Opple Teel. He was preceded in death by one brother, Glen Teel and two sisters, Vilma Glendenning and Mary Wideman and one great-grandson, Trevon Patrick Browning, and one son-in-law, Brian Rouch. Funeral services will be held 11 a.m. Tuesday at McClain Funeral Home with Pastors Bruce Russell and George Hapner officiating. Burial will follow in Greenlawn Cemetery, Mexico. Visitation will be from 3 to 7 p.m. Monday at the funeral home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, April 4, 2011

William "Bill" Fisher, Rochester, died 3:32 p.m. Saturday. Funeral service 10 a.m. Thursday, Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation 4-8 p.m. Wednesday at funeral home. Visitation also one hour before service Thursday.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, April 5, 2011

Julia M. Wood, 89, died March 31, 2011 and took a journey to be with her beloved Lowell "Woody" Wood. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and friend, born to parents William Petrie and Charlotte Nelson in Logansport on May 6, 1921. She

moved to Arizona in June 1969 with Woody and their son, Russell "Spook". Her survivors include her children, Rebecca "Becky" Poole, William "Bear" (spouse Laura) and Russell "Spook" (spouse Nancy); six grandchildren, Sheryl (Poole) Watts, Christopher Poole, William "Chip" Wood, Julie Ann (Wood) Harrington, Liza (Wood) Rosa and Kelly (Wood) Symons; eight great-grandchildren, some nieces and nephews. Memorial services will be held at 1 p.m. April 7 at Sunland Mortuary, 15826 Del Webb Blvd., Sun City, Ariz. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Hospice of the Valley, 1510 E. Flower, Phoenix, Ariz. 85014, via mail, phone (602) 530-6900, or online at hov.org, in memory of Julia Wood.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, April 6, 2011

Mrs. **Annabelle Susan Hart, 80**, of 2077 Second St., Tiosa, passed away at 8:45 a.m., Sunday, April 3, 2011, at her residence. She was born in South Bend, on Sept. 3, 1930, to Vernon and Eleanor (Cauffman) Gelbaugh. She shared her childhood with her brother, Richard. Annabelle lived in the Rochester area all of her life. Her parents moved to Fulton County when she was 3 days old. She was the oldest in Tiosa, living there longer than anyone she knew. On Dec. 2, 2006, Annabelle had to say good-bye to her husband, of 56 years. However, even after his death, Glenn still lived in her heart. Annabelle shared her memory of their first date, "A group of girls and I had just returned from the Tulip Festival in Holland, Mich. Glenn Hart saw me out in the yard and called me for a date that evening. After a four-month courtship, we were married on Sept. 30, 1950, in Kewanna." From their union came three sons, five grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren. Her family was very important to her. She displayed their pictures throughout her home. A treasured Christmas gift was a framed family tree given to her by her grandchildren. Through the years, Annabelle had a career as well as a family. After her marriage, she worked at the radio factory in Rochester. Her favorite memories took place while working at the Rochester High School cafeteria for 13 years. She also worked in the kitchen at the Sale Barn on Saturdays. Annabelle loved to cook and really enjoyed talking to the high school students. Following Glenn and Annabelle's retirement, they formed a lawn mowing business which they helped the senior ladies keep their yards in tip-top condition, while barely making a charge to cover their gas, as it was therapeutic and exercise for them, along with a way to enjoy each other's company. Annabelle was always there for everyone, the word "no" was not in her vocabulary. A favorite hobby was trying out new recipes. She liked to make many different kinds of cookies, but the family's favorite was chocolate chip. Annabelle's roots are very deep. "I've always loved Rochester," she said. "It's home to me. That's why I've stayed for so many years." Annabelle is lovingly remembered by three sons: Ed (Susan) Hart, Warsaw, Rick (Susan) Hart, Mentone, and Jim (Cindy) Hart, Elkhart; five grandchildren, Jennifer Cobbs, Liz Kelley, Aaron Hart, Gretchen Wadkins, and Wes Hart; 11 great-grandchildren with another due to arrive in June; a sister-in-law, Ruth Gelbaugh; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, and her brother Richard Gelbaugh. A celebration of the life of Annabelle Hart will be at 10:00 AM on Wednesday, April 6, 2011, in the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with Pastors Mike Beezley and Randy Smoot officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 4-8 p.m. on Tuesday and one hour prior to the service in the funeral home. Interment will be in the Richland Center IOOF Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Talma United Methodist Church. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, April 6, 2011

Anthony J. "Tony" Gagliano, 81, formerly of Peru, passed away at 10:30 p.m., Monday, March 28, 2011, at his residence in Lagro. Tony was born in Gloucester, Mass., on July 25, 1929, the son of Frank and Eleanor Gagliano. He married Rosalie A. Frontiero on Feb 5, 1950, and she preceded him in death on Feb 21, 1989. Tony was a 1948 graduate of Gloucester High School. Following graduation from high school, he was a florist/ grower in Massachusetts until 1952 when he enlisted in the U.S. Air Force. Tony served as a non-commissioned officer in the U.S. Air Force for 20 years, retiring as a master sergeant in 1972. He was a Korean War Veteran and his military decorations include the Air Force Medal, the National Defense Medal, the Good Conduct Medal, the Korean Service Medal and the Air Force Commendation Medal. Following retirement from the Air Force, Tony was employed by the Peru Foundry and the Atlas Foundry in Marion. He was a member of the St. Charles Catholic Church, the Knights of Columbus, Cardinal O'Hara Lodge No. 718, the 4th Degree Knights of Columbus, Msgr. Paul A. Welsh Assembly No. 2146, the Peru Maennerchor, the Peru American Legion Glen Owens Post 14, the Miami County VFW Post 2067, the Literary Aid Society, Peru Moose Lodge and the Peru Elks Lodge. He is survived by a son, Frank J. (Victoria) Gagliano of Virginia Beach, Va.; a daughter Toni Lynn (John) Draper of Lagro; grandchildren, Michael A. Brumerskyj (son of Olha Brumerskyj of Australia) Frank J. (Allison) Gagliano, Jr. Vanessa E. (Brandon) Paxton, Katrina (Travis) Cheek, Jill Draper (Charles) Houlihan, Jeanette A. Draper and Josephine L. Draper; great-grandchildren Alina and Donovan Paxton, Travis, Aurora and Aiyana Cheek and Lilia Mae Houlihan; his twin brother Santo J. Gagliano and sisters Rose Ciarametaro and Mary Coppersmith. He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Rosalie; and siblings, Nicholas Gagliano, Sally Piscitello and Vincie Militello. A Mass of Christian Burial, celebrating the life of Anthony J. Gagliano will be held at 10:30 a.m., Saturday, April 9, 2011, at the St. Charles Catholic Church, 58 West 5th St., Peru with the Rev. Francis I. Kilcline III officiating. Burial will be at Mt. Hope Cemetery with Military Graveside Services provided by the Miami County Military Rites Unit. Family and friends will gather from 5-8 p.m. Friday at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 West Main, Peru. There will be a prayer service at 7:30 p.m., Friday at the funeral home. Memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to the St. Charles Catholic Church or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Online condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, April 6, 2011

Larry L. Wood, 73, 3752 South 1000 East, Akron, passed away at 8:42 p.m. Sunday, April 3, 2011 unexpectedly at Woodlawn Hospital Emergency Room in Rochester. He was born in Fulton County, on June 17, 1937 to Albert A. and Ruth K. (Westwood) Wood. October 1, 1988 he married Ethel M. (Hoover) Wood in Gatlinburg, Tenn. and she survives. He was previously married to Janet C. Hammond. Larry was a machinist at Sonoco Products in Akron where he had worked for 45 years, retiring in 2001. He was a U.S. Army Veteran where he was stationed in Germany as a medic. Larry was a life member of the North American Hunting Club. He looked forward to his biannual fishing trips to Minnesota and Canada with his local fishing buddies. He was a 1956 Graduate of Rochester High School where he excelled in football and track. Larry was a lifelong farmer and enjoyed raising beef cattle. Survivors include his wife Ethel Wood, Akron, two daughters Angela Wood Bailey, Fort Wayne, Star A. Powell, stationed with the Marines in South Carolina, one son Andrew and wife Heidi Wood, Bloomington, two step-daughters Lesa Patterson, Indianapolis, and Rochelle Powell, Akron. Five grandchildren Hillary, Olivia, Elise, Isaiah and Thomas. Six step-grandchildren Cameo, Desiree, Marcia, Chris, Rosio and Zion. One brother Fred and wife Betty Wood, Rochester, two sisters Lois and husband David Williams, and Joan Ginther both of Rochester. One brother-in-law Sid and wife Judy Hoover, Missouri, and his beloved canine companion Lucky. He was preceded in death by his parents, one step-daughter Dawn Powell and one brother-in-law Verl Ginther. Services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Friday at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron, with Pastor Terry Canfield officiating. Burial will be at Akron Cemetery, Akron. Graveside military rites will be conducted by the LeRoy Shelton American Legion Post 36 and the VFW Post 1343 Honor Guard of Rochester. Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Thursday at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 West Rochester Street, Akron, Indiana. Memorial contributions may be made to the Make A Wish Foundation, 7330 Woodland Drive, Suite 201 Indianapolis, Ind. 46278. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home. Online condolences to: www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, April 7, 2011

Lela Headley, 88, Peru, passed away at 9:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 5, 2011, at Dukes Memorial Hospital, Peru. She was born in Arkansas, Oct. 9, 1922, to John E. and Lizzie (Pratt) Hilburn. She married Maurice Headley in 1939, and he preceded her in death in 1982. Lela retired from United Technologies, Peru. She is survived by son Michael (Laura) Headley, Kempton; daughter Mary (John) Rickey, Kokomo, daughter Sharon (Roger) Eikenberry, Greentown, daughter Christina (Roger) Steele, Peru, and daughter-in-law Kathy Headley, Junction City, Kan., Also surviving are sister Eleanor Davidson, Bald Knob, Ark., Winsel Osburn, Loyaltown, Calif., Wilma Winters, Searcy, Ark., ten grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren, and 12 great-great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, parents, a son Gerald and a sister Margaret. A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, April 11, 2011, at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru. Burial will be at Mt. Hope Cemetery, Peru. Friends may call at the funeral home on Sunday from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to a favorite charity.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, April 7, 2011

Patricia K. Olinger Ogan, 65, Peru, died at 3:12 p.m. Tuesday, April 5, 2011, in Dukes Memorial Hospital. She was born in Kentucky on Feb. 7, 1946, to Kelly and Josie (Elkins) Maloney. She married Bobby Olinger, and he preceded her in death July 21, 1974. Patricia was a homemaker. She is survived by her sons, Eugene Olinger and his companion, Denise, Peru, and Bobby Olinger and his companion, Kim, Warsaw; and her sister, Wilma Jent and her husband, Aster, Peru. Also surviving are several grandchildren. Patricia was preceded in death by her husband, both parents, a brother, Herbert Maloney, and a sister, Berna Dean Rogers. A funeral service will take place at 11 a.m. Saturday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., with Aster Jent officiating. Burial will be in Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru. Friends may call 4 to 7 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. Love offerings may be made through the funeral home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, April 7, 2011

William (Bill) Dean Wayne, 84, passed away at his dream home on Black Mountain in Carefree, Ariz., with his wife, B.J., at his bedside on March 26, 2011. He was born in Pittspon, Pa. to Maurice William and Fern Elizabeth Wayne on April 15, 1927. He graduated from Peru High School in 1944. Bill was a graduate of the U.S. Merchant Academy, Class 1946B. He served as a Midshipman in the Battle of Leyte Gulf during World War II. Later attending graduate school at Purdue University, became a naval aviator serving as a night fighter division leader aboard the U.S. Kearsarge. In 1956 LCDR Wayne left the Navy and married Betty Jo Peters, a former TWA hostess, and entered the corporate world. They both worked for General Electric in Cincinnati, later Bill joined Aerojet General becoming VP of Nuclear Operations; he was transferred to Frontier Airlines. In 1985 after 14 years he retired as Executive V P and COO. He was preceded in death by his parents, Maurice and Fern Wayne, and a younger brother, Norman Earl (Mardell) Wayne, all of Peru. Bill is survived by his wife of 54 years Betty Jo, their daughter, Vanessa (Mark) McClintock of Denver, Colo., a son Gregory (Pat) Wayne of Kayenpa, Ariz. and five grandchildren, two sisters of Peru, Phyllis (Richard deceased) Wilson, and Jean (Clayson) Bowyer. A private family celebration of life will be commemorated with a burial at sea later this summer. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the USMM, Kings Point, N.Y. 11024-1699 or the Hospice of the Valley, Carefree Ariz., 85377.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, April 8, 2011

Margaret Elaine Piper, 84, Peru, died at 4:04 p.m. Wednesday, April 6, 2011, at Hickory Creek Nursing Home, Peru. Services are pending at Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, Peru.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, April 9, 2011

Mrs. Jean L. Waters, 80, formerly of Peru, Indiana, passed away Friday, April 8, 2011 at Schneck Medical Center with her family at her side. Born January 10, 1931, in Peru, she was the daughter of Edward and Kathryn Louise (Gaiser) Wise. On May 8, 1948, she married Merrill E. Waters who survives. Jean attended Loree Brethren Church, in Bunker Hill. She lived most of her life in Miami County before moving to Bartow, Fla., after retiring from Square D Company in 1988. She and her husband recently moved to Seymour to be near her daughter. She is survived by her children, Susan Marie (Doug) Lynch, Nancy Jean Waters, Sharon Louise (Patrick) Doyle; seven grandchildren; nine great grandchildren; and a brother, Charles (Penny) Wise. She was preceded in death by her parents; sons, Steven, Dale and Dean Waters; grandson, Shane Waters; brother, Junior Mannies; and sister, Charlene Cleaver. There will be a private graveside service at a later date at Rankin Cemetery, Bunker Hill. All arrangements have been entrusted to Voss Funeral Service and Tri-County Crematory, Seymour. Condolences may be sent to www.vossfuneralservice.com

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, April 9, 2011

Retired Air Force Lt. Col. **Alvin John Straka, 82**, formerly of Peru, passed away at Century Villa Health Care Center in Greentown, at 7:25 p.m., Thursday, April 7, 2011. Alvin was born March 30, 1929, in Hazelton, Pa. the son of John and Ann (Dombroski) Straka. Al married Shirley J. Loe at the Our Lady of Victories Catholic Church, Jersey City, N.J. on April 16, 1955 and she preceded him in death on April 27, 2010. He graduated from the Academy of Aeronautics in La Guardia Field New York from the accelerated Aeronautical Engineering College in the Upper half of his class in 1950. He joined the Air Force and spent 21 years as a B-52 Chief Navigator in Bomb and Operations Support Officer. He served in the Korean and Vietnam conflicts and across the world. He was a highly decorated veteran and awarded many distinguished medals and awards for his outstanding commitment, dedication, devotion to duty to his country and exemplary leadership. After his retirement from the Air Force he spent 20 years with Wilson Foods Company as an Industrial Engineer, (Sweet Al) the guy who wore slippers to work. He was an accomplished martial arts student earning his Black Belt in Thailand. Al will best be remembered for his love of Jesus. He taught us that through Jesus we learn that people fail but love does not. Through love we become connected to others around us, and centered to the spirit within us. Al served continuously to volunteer services in: prison ministry, meals on wheels, Emmaus in Logansport, and was an active member of St. Charles Catholic Church and Knights of Columbus. His legacy is great, his memory will be cherished by all he touched. Our lives have been strengthened, enriched and enhanced by his presence. Al was an avid gardener with four green thumbs, he at times planted "canned" vegetables during bad growing seasons. He loved producing and bottling his own wine from the many fruit trees, grapes and dandelions he cultivated. Surviving are his children, Madonna Peraud and her husband, David, of Warrensburg, Mo., Matthew Straka and Ursula of Marshfield, Wis., Tanya Sutton of Peru, Denise Hauser of Logansport and Valerie Straka and Ron Deaton of Peru; 20 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren; many nieces and nephews and a true friend, Terry Padgett of Fairfield, Iowa. A Mass of Christian Burial celebrating the life of Alvin John Straka will be held on Monday, April 11, 2011 at 12 noon at the St. Charles Catholic Church, 58 West Fifth Street, Peru, with the Rev. Francis I. Kilcline officiating. Burial will be in Mt. Hope Cemetery, Peru with military graveside services provided by members of the Miami County Military Rites Unit. Family and friends will gather from 2:00-5:00 p.m. on Sunday at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 West Main Street, Peru, IN. There will be a prayer service at 4:30 p.m., Sunday at the funeral home. Memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to the Miami County Helping Hands. Condolences may be made online at eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, April 12, 2011

Jack Robert Ryan, 23, Peru, died April 10, 2011. Funeral arrangements are pending from Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, April 12, 2011

Walter H. "Grandpa Little" Little, 93, Friday, April 8, 2011 at Floyd Memorial Hospital in New Albany. He was born in Clarksdale, Miss., and a longtime resident of both North Manchester, and New Albany. He was a retired superintendent with the old Laketon Asphalt Refinery in Laketon, Indiana. Walter was an Army veteran of World War II during which he received the Silver Star and Bronze Star. He was a member of the American Legion in Laketon and was an avid fan of the New Albany Little League. Walter was preceded in death by his wife of 58 years, Vertis "Snookie" Little; daughters, Cynthia A. Murphy, Sheila L. Bramlett, Nancy L. Fisher; son-in-law, Dana L. Bramlett. Survivors include daughters Darla (David) Gradeless, Terri (Richard) Mullins; sons-in-law Lewis Murphy, and Gregg Fisher; 16 grandchildren and 28 great grandchildren. Visitation will be from 2-8 p.m. Monday at Kraft Funeral Service, 2776 Charlestown Road, New Albany, Indiana. His funeral service will be held noon Tuesday at the Kraft Charlestown Road Chapel with entombment at Kraft-Graceland Memorial Park in New Albany. The family requests expressions of sympathy be made to the New Albany Little League. The Little family would like to thank the wonderful staff at Rolling Hills Nursing Home for the excellent care provided over the last year.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, April 13, 2011

Jack Robert Ryan stepped into the open arms of his Lord and Savior at 12:30 p.m. on April 10, 2011, just 23 years, 1 hour and 24 minutes after God loaned him to his family. Jack was born in Peru, to John K. Ryan and Denise Sims Ryan on April 10, 1988. Jack was home schooled and graduated high school in 2006. He also graduated from Lincoln Technical College in 2008. Jack was self employed with a group called "Us Against the World" (UAW) as a night club entertainer. He deeply loved

expressing his feelings and beliefs through rap music. He wrote most of the material that he performed. Jack was a recorded artist that sent his message out to a large fan following. His stage name was J RIP. Jack loved playing baseball. He played Little League in Peru. After moving to Indianapolis in 1999, he played baseball with Ben Davis Little League and then Ben Davis Babe Ruth. Jack was on the All-Stars team every year that he played. His love of the game led him to coach a T-Ball team and moving up to minor leagues with the same team. Laughter was heard often from Jack. He generated laughter from everyone that he came in contact with. He always had a joke or a story to tell that made others laugh. His smile was infectious. Jack was a full organ donor and has blessed many lives across Indiana through his gift. Jack is survived by his parents John K. Ryan of Mesa, Ariz. and Denise Ryan, Peru. He leaves behind sisters Catina McCord, Tabitha Fritzman (Jaraid Kendall), Amanda Walsh, all of Peru and Druan (Justin) Morse, Greenfield. Also feeling a heavy loss are brothers Jay (Tammy) Thomas, Bradley Ryan, Zion Ryan, and Josiah Ryan, all of Peru. Jack also leaves paternal grandfather John T. Ryan, aunts Jerri (Larry) Stapleton, Susie (Richard) Taylor, Carol (Tennyson) Fitch along with an uncle, Ron (Penny) Sims. His survivors also include 12 nieces and nephews and numerous cousins. He is also survived by his "honorary brothers" Michael Fritzman and Steven Lee Ambrose and his dog, Tosha. Preceding him to Heaven are his paternal grandmother, Joan Ryan, maternal grandmother Doris Graham, maternal grandfather Jack Sims, for who he was named, and maternal grandfather Robert Graham. Additionally, sister Ronda Sims, aunt Linda Ryan and nephew Bradley Neal Townsend. His goodbye service will be held at Calvary Temple Church 2908 W. 200 N. Peru at 11 a.m. Saturday. Viewing is scheduled Friday from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the church. Arrangements have been entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St. Love offerings can be made through the funeral home or in Jack's name to a charity of the donor's choice. Services will be officiated by the Rev. Tennyson Fitch and the Rev. Kevin Palmer. The family would like to say a deeply felt thank you to Miami County Sheriff Department, Dukes EMS, Fort Wayne Lutheran Hospital's awesome staff, and all the people that prayed on behalf of Jack and our family. God speed my son! You've "Conquered Da Quest."

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, April 15, 2011

Mrs. **Marion Jeannette See Cardona, 88**, Rochester, passed away at 4:55 a.m., Thursday, April 14, 2011, at her residence. She was born in Macy on Feb. 28, 1923, to Howard M. and Mary Caroline Tracy See. On Aug. 6, 1944, in Macy, she became the bride of Josief B. Cardona. He preceded her in death on Dec. 19, 1973. Marion was a 1941 graduate of Macy High School. In 1944 she graduated from Purdue University and was a lifetime alumni member. In 1985, she retired as the director of the Rochester Community Schools lunch program. Marion was a member of the Grace United Methodist Church of Rochester for nearly 60 years. She was also a member of the Morning Quest Circle. Marion is survived by three daughters, Janice (Edward) Ramsay, Ringwood, N.J., Judith (William Scott) Forney, Denton, Texas, and Elizabeth (Peter) Jordan, New Hope, Pa.; four grandchildren, Craig (Teresa) Ramsay, Sean (Aki) Ramsay, William Aiden Forney and Hannah Elizabeth Jordan; two great-granddaughters, Jenna & Corina; and four nieces and two nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, two brothers, John Howard See, Robert S. See, her dear aunt "Mooney", Mildred Tracy McClain, and a nephew, Louis See. A celebration of the life of Marion Cardona will be at 10 a.m., Monday in the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, with the Rev. Maurice Grindle officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 2-5 p.m. on Sunday, in the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the Grace United Methodist Church. Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery Rochester. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, April 18, 2011

Glen Alan Piotter, 60, rural Macy passed away at 8:53 a.m. on Saturday, April 16, 2011, at St. Joseph Hospital, Fort Wayne. Born on Sept. 12, 1950 in Peru, he was the son of Arnold H. and Bessie A. (Ross) Piotter. On July 26, 1986, in Saint Mary-of-the Woods Village, he was married to Helen Mary Evrard, and she survives. Glen was a lifelong resident and farmer in the Macy community. He was a member of St. John Lutheran Church in Peru and the Macy Masonic Lodge. He also was a member of the Logansport Shrine Club and the Scottish Rite, Fort Wayne. He enjoyed going on fishing trips in Canada with his family. Survivors include his wife, Helen, of Macy; mother, Bessie Thomason, Macy; his daughter, Bridget Cecile Buck and husband, Brian, along with their daughter Macy Hazel, all of Red Wing, Minn.; one son, Arnold Charles Piotter, Macy; one brother, Jerry Piotter and his wife, Carol, Macy; one sister, Sharon Dillman and her husband Robert, Macy and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father; his stepfather, Billy Ray Thomason; and two nephews, Jerald "Junior" Piotter and Robert "Bobby" Dillman. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, April 21, 2011, at St. John's Lutheran Church, Peru, with Pastor Kenneth Greenwald officiating. Burial will follow in Deedsville I.O.O.F. Cemetery, Deedsville. Visitation will be from 2-8 p.m. on Wednesday, April 20, 2011, at McClain Funeral Home, Denver. Memorial contributions may be made to Guardian Angel Foundation, Kokomo or to Helping Hands, Peru. The online guestbook can be signed at www.mcclainfh.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, April 18, 2011

Mildred "Millie" Myers, 83, Miami, went home to be with the Lord at 8:15 a.m. Thursday, April 7, 2011, at Samara Memory Care in Kokomo. She was born April 1, 1928, in West Plains, Mo., the daughter of Clarence and Jessie (Reeves) Reed. On May 10, 1948, in Nead, she married Harold E. Myers. She served as a teacher's aide at Miami grade school for several years and later worked at Delco Electronics for 18 to 20 years before retiring. She was a graduate of Greentown High School and was a member of United Auto Workers Local 292 and Miami United Methodist Church. She enjoyed baking cookies, gardening and sewing. Surviving are her husband, Harold E. Myers; a daughter, Kathy and Norm Snyder; a son, Dale Myers;

three grandchildren, Jeremy and Andrea Snyder, Matt and Valerie Snyder, Kelly and Mark Walton; three great-grandchildren, Ethan, Leah and Eli; a sister, Pansy Crites, Greentown; and a brothers, Elmo Reed, Greentown. She was preceded in death by her parents, a sister, a son and two great-grandchildren. Services are 3 p.m. today at Murray-Weaver Funeral Home in Galveston. Pastor Norm Snyder will officiate. Burial will be in Galveston Cemetery. Friends may call from 1 to 3 p.m. today at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to Miami United Methodist Church. Virgil H. White

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, April 18, 2011

Virgil Howard White, 77, 1502 W. Macy Gilead Road, Macy, passed away at 6:20 p.m. Saturday, April 16, 2011, at the Veterans Administration Northern Indiana Health Care System, Marion. He was born on Sept. 1, 1933 in Fulton County, the son of Howard Virgil and Alice Gertrude (Zartman) White. On Jan. 26, 1973, in Richland Center, he married Margaret Rock and she survives. Mr. White had been a farmer and had previously worked for Delco and Sealed Power. He was an U.S. Marine Corps. veteran serving in the Korean Conflict and was an avid Indiana University basketball fan. Survivors include his wife, Margaret White, Macy; children, Randy White, Bloomfield, Cheryl and husband, Robert, Bartoo, Wabash, Ron and wife, Tami, White, Safety Harbor, Fla., Raymond and wife, Yvonne, White, Rochester, Dustin and wife, Sara, White, Portage; step-children, Matt and wife, Kerrie, Lyons, Fort Wayne, Mark and wife, Jennifer, Lyons, Kokomo; fourteen grandchildren, six great grandchildren, sisters, Phyllis Gehring, Peru, Anna and husband, Darrell, Glasson, Selma, Lulu Koenig, Mesa, Ariz., Maridean and husband, Jim, Barnette, Hazel Green, Ala. He was preceded in death by his parents, brother, Gerald White in 1995 and sister, Freda Roe in 2004. Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Thursday April 21, 2011 at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with the Rev. Tom Graham Jr. officiating. Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Wednesday and one hour prior to service at the funeral home. Burial will be in the Plainview Cemetery, Macy, where military gravesides services will be conducted by the Rochester American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars Posts. Memorial contributions may be made to Guardian Angel Hospice. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, April 19, 2011

Frank Whybrew, 86, Peru, passed away at 1:32 a.m. Monday, April 18, 2011 at his residence. He was born in Miami County on August 31, 1924 to James and Mable (Fenters) Whybrew. He married Marilyn (Otiker) Whybrew in July 8, 1945 and she preceded him in death in May 18, 1969. He then married Helia (Greene) Smith Whybrew May 5, 1973 and she preceded him in death February 15, 2011. Frank was employed at Dana Corp. and was a retired farmer. He was a member of the Parkview United Method Church, and served in the Marine Corps in WWII in which he received the Bronze Starr. He is survived by daughter, Janice (Bill) Moore, Amboy; son, Ronald Sr. (Anita) Whybrew, Amboy; step-daughter, Nancy Smith, Indianapolis; and step-daughter, Mary Kelly, Wyoming. Surviving grandchildren are Matt Moore, Frank Moore, Dan Moore, Ronald Whybrew Jr., Charles Whybrew, and Teresea Lund, and 10 great grandchildren, sisters Doris Stanley, Juanita Lake and Mary Sue (John) Wylie. Also surviving are two sisters-in-law; Louise Whybrew, and Catharine Whybrew a daughter-in-law; Patricia Whybrew, and one brother-in-law James Moffit. He was preceded in death by both parents, one son; Charles Whybrew, two brothers and one sister. A memorial service will be held Thursday at Parkview United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Bob Clark officiating. Memorials may be made to Wabash/Miami Hospice. There will be a Military Service by the Miami County Military Rites Unit. Arrangements entrusted to Allen Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, April 22, 2011

Alfreda (Freddie) Eckelbarger, 77, died Wednesday, April 20, 2011. A service will be held Saturday, April 23, 2011 at 1 p.m. at Mexico Baptist Church, 4088 N. Carrol St., Mexico.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, April 22, 2011

Maxie Stapleton Carroll, 71, widow of Harold Stapleton and James Carroll, died Monday, April 11, 2011 at the James B. Haggin Memorial Hospital. Born April 14, 1939, she was the daughter of the late William Jesse and Drucillia Rodgers Pasley. She was a retired Administrative Clerk for Kentucky Utilities and was a member of the Berea Christian Church. Maxie was a co-founder of the Care Club of Kentucky Utilities; she enjoyed playing the piano, growing flowers, and bird/squirrel watching. Survivors include two sons: Richard (Carol) Stapleton of Lexington and Michael (Kelley) Stapleton of Harrodsburg; one step-son Harold Wayne Stapleton of Peru, five grandchildren: Steve Ostafin, Melissa Clifton, Brian Scott Stapleton, Leslie Nicole Stapleton, and Heather Stapleton; several great grandchildren, two great great-grandsons, her close family friend Jimmy (Brigette) Howard, and her constant companion Shih tzu Molly Marie also survive. She was preceded in death by one brother, Herman Ulysees Pasley, and two sisters who were stillborn: Dorothy Waveline Pasley and Ocie Madeline Pasley. Funeral services were conducted 11 a.m. Thursday, April 14, 2011 at Alexander & Royalty Funeral Home with the Rev. John Westerfield officiating. Burial was in Berea Christian Church Cemetery with Tony Thompson, Jason Thompson, Scott Patton, Stanley Patton, Bob Webb and Steve Brogle serving as pallbearers. Visitation was held from 5 p.m. until 8 p.m. Wednesday and after 7 a.m. Thursday at the Alexander & Royalty Funeral Home. Expressions of sympathy may take the form of donations to the Care Club of Kentucky Utilities, 815 Dix Dam Road, Harrodsburg, Ky. 40330 and/or Susan G. Komen for the Cure, 1795 Alysheba Way, Suite 3104, Lexington, Ky. 40509-2280. To share your memories or to send a message to the family, please visit www.alexanderandroyalty.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, April 22, 2011

Ralph G. Weideman, 85, Peru, passed away Thursday, April 21, 2011 at 12 p.m. at the home of his daughter. Funeral arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, April 23, 2011

Alfreda (Freddie) Eckelbarger, 77, went to be with her Lord on April 20, 2011, at Miller's Merry Manor in Peru. She was born Feb. 4, 1934, in Moskowitz in the Czech Republic to the late Josef and Ernestine Krat Schman, where they lived in the Czech Republic until 1946. She and her family were forced out of their homeland after the war to live in Germany. Her marriage to Jerry Eckelbarger, who survives, was in Neureut Germany. Freddie and Jerry and sons moved to the United States in 1957. She retired in 1993 from Delco. She was a loving wife and mother and enjoyed cooking, flowers and working in her garden. Survivors include three sons Helmut and John of Peru, Joe and wife, Troy, of Wichita Falls, Texas; two grandchildren Melisa and Justin; one great grandchild, Caden, one sister, Hilda Duncan, of Bunker Hill, and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, two brothers and one sister. A service will be held Saturday, April 23, 2011, at 1 p.m. at the Mexico Baptist Church, 4088 N. Carrol St., Mexico. Memorials may be made to the Mexico First Baptist Church.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, April 23, 2011

David Dean Stangle, 71, Kewanna, made his final round in the field of life and went into the arms of his Savior at 6:35 a.m., Wednesday, April 20, 2011, in the Rochester Life Care Center with his son holding his hand. Dave was born on May 28, 1939 in Cass County to Cecil and Dorothy (Watson) Stangle who both preceded him in death. On March 4, 1962, Dave married his high school sweetheart, Mary Jane Woodke, at Helm St. Church of God in Logansport. She survives. Dave was a 1958 Star City High School graduate. A farmer all his life, Dave also had a passion for big, earth moving equipment. As a teenager Dave operated a crane and helped dredge out Lake Manitou. Dave was probably best known as the driver of a Minneapolis Moline tractor by the name of "Solid Junk". Dave was National points champion for three years. Dave was greatly honored to be inducted into the NTPA Hall of Fame in 1997. Dave was a past supervisor of Fulton Co. Soil & Water Conservation District, a 40 plus active and faithful member of Winamac Nazarene church, Fulton County Historical Power Assoc., Prairie Gold Rush, IH collectors-Chapter 33, Richland Center Tractor Pullers, Indiana Pullers Inc., M & M Collectors, and a Pfister seed corn salesman for over 40 yrs. Dave was a jack of all trades, could fix anything and tell you a joke at the drop of a hat, never met a stranger and had a true love for people. Dave truly enjoyed and thoroughly loved his family & friends, driving his decked out M&M golf cart and just enjoying the blessed life the Lord had given him. Dave was always ready with a smile.

Survived by his wife, Mary Jane of 49 years; daughter, Janie (Troy) Hattery, and their children, Dean & Melinda Hattery all of Peru; daughter, Jenny (Wade) Cohagan, & their daughter, Ellie all of Monticello; son David Cecil (Dawn) Stangle and their son David Dean Stangle and her daughters McKenna & Rebecca all of Kewanna. He is also survived by a brother Edwin (Bette) Stangle of Monticello and a sister Joan (Lester- deceased) Piercy of Mesa, Ariz. Visitation will be Monday April 25, 2011, from 2-8 p.m. and 1 hour prior to the service at the Winamac Church of the Nazarene, 516 E 13th ST. (HWY 14) Funeral will be 11 a.m. (EST) Tuesday, April 26, the church with the Rev. Daniel Burgess officiating. Burial will be at the Bruce Lake Cemetery in rural Kewanna. No flowers please; memorial contributions may be made to the Fulton Co. Historical Power Association or the Kewanna Union Township Volunteer Fire Department. Arrangements have been entrusted to Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel. Online condolences and tributes may be made to the Stangle Family at www.harrisonmetzger.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, April 23, 2011

Harold J. Ulsperger, 82, Peru, passed away at Fort Wayne Hospice at 3:05 p.m. Thursday, April 21, 2011. Funeral arrangements are pending a Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, April 23, 2011

Irene (Bontrager) Miller, 89, Greentown, died at 9:50 a.m. Friday, April 22, 2011 in the Saint Joseph emergency room, Kokomo. She was born in Hope, Mich., on Oct. 16, 1921 to Joseph A. and Mary (troyer) Bontrager. She married Menno "Stick" O. Miller on Oct. 24, 1943 in Amboy and he survives. She was a charter member of Parkview Mennonite Church and Good Sam's club. She was an exquisite quilter and needle worker, baker, gardener. She loved her flowers. Irene was devoted to her husband of 67 years, family and friends. She also enjoyed traveling and spending winters in Florida and Arizona. Irene is survived by her hudsband, Menno; her children, Gary Ray Miller, Kaufman, Texas, and Ruth Ann (Mobley) Miller, Kokomo; sister, Gladys (Bontrager) McAninch, Kokomo; four grandchildren, Chad Miller, Kokomo, Samuel Young, Lafayette, Shellie Miller, Noblesville and Aaron Miller, Lafayette; three sister in laws, Celesta Bontrager, Middlebury, Lydia Bontrager, Arlington, Wash., Alice Bontrager, Taylors, South Carolina; and 44 nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; her son, Donald Eugene Miller; her brothers, Raymond Bontrager, Melvin Bontrager, Floyd Bontrager, Cletus Bontrager; and her sistyer, Velma (Bontrager) Wynn. A funeral service will take place at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Howard-Miami Mennonite Church, Howard County, with Jacob and Lillian Elias and Lee Miller officiating. Burial will take place in Christner Cemetery. Friends may call at Howard-Miami Mennonite Church from 2 until 8 p.m. Monday. Memorial contributions may be made at Parkview Mennonite Church with envelopes available at the church. Online condolences can be made at www.hasler-stout.com. Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Hasler-Stout Funeral Home, Greentown.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, April 23, 2011

Mary Elizabeth Betz, 88, Woodland, Calif. passed away Sunday, Dec. 12, 2011 at Woodland Memorial Hospital. She was preceded in death by her husband, James Betz; her parents, Florance and Marguerite (Stearns) Mumaugh; and her brother, Charles Mumaugh. Her sister, Lois Foltz, passed away March 18, 2011. She leaves behind her daughter, Teja; sister, Joan Mooney; and many other family members and friends. Mary was very active at Palm Gardens Assisted Living, where she lived for the past two years. She made many friends there and is missed. A memorial service will be held at the chapel at Mount Hope Cemetery in Peru at 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial donations to the Alzheimer's Association.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, April 23, 2011

Ralph G. Weideman, 85, Peru, passed away at noon on April 21, 2011 at his stepdaughter's residence in Amboy. He was born in Kokomo on Feb. 11, 1926 to Carroll E. and Fern (Tull) Weideman. He married Vernice M. (Finster) Weideman Oct. 22, 1982, and she preceded him in death Dec. 5, 2002. Ralph worked for the C&O Railroad as an engineer. He was a member of the First Baptist Church, Peru, the Masonic Lodge, Elks, and Eagles of Peru, and the Peru Maennerchor, as well as a member of the Kokomo American Legion. He graduated from Peru High School in 1944, and served in World War II in the U.S. Coast Guard. He is survived by sons David (Toni) Weideman, Kokomo, Dennis (Karen) Weideman, Lebanon, Ohio, Gary (Linda) Weideman, Bloomington, Brian (Teresa) Weideman, Milford, daughter Deborah Kinney, Fort Wayne, and stepdaughter Carolyn (Allen) Crist, of Amboy. Also surviving are brothers Robert (Martha Jean) Weideman, Peru, Jack (Kay) Weideman, Peru, sisters Anna Heltsey, Peru, Martha Love, Chili, Jane (Max) Carey Ohio, and sister-in-law Rosie Weideman, Peru. He had nine grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren and one great great-grandchild. He was preceded in death by his parents and his wife, sisters June, Clara, Alice, Esther, Primrose, and brothers, Warren, Harry, and William. A funeral service will be held Tuesday, April 26, 2011, at 11 a.m. at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru, with Pastor Robert Adelsperger officiating. Burial will be at Rankin Cemetery, Miami County. Friends may call from 2 to 7 p.m. Monday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home. Memorial contributions may be made to Southern Care Hospice. Military Service will be provided by the Miami County Military Rites Team.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, April 23, 2011

William E. King, 78, Amboy, passed away at 12:45 a.m. Friday, April 22, 2011, at Miller's Merry Manor, Peru. He was born in Amboy, on Sept. 26, 1932, to Karl and Athlene (Overman) King. He married Eva G. Durkes May 11, 1952 and she preceded him in death Dec. 31, 2005. He was a member of the Amboy United Methodist Church. He was also a member of the Isaac Walton League (Somerset.) and a Boy Scout leader. He retired from General Motors, Marion. William is survived by his daughter Christine (Don) Griggs, Mt. Summit, sons Alan King, Peru, William K. King, Amboy, and John King, Amboy. Also surviving are his six grandchildren Heather, Michelle, Samantha, Michael, Sara, Norie Ann, four great grandchildren Lauren, Leah, Luke and Milena, and two sisters Bonnie and Marilyn. He was preceded in death by his parents and his wife, a brother Jerry King, and sister Nancy King. A funeral service will be held Tuesday, April 26, 2011 at 6 p.m. at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru with Pastor Jim McDowell officiating. Friends may call Tuesday from 4 to 6 p.m. at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to the Amboy United Methodist Church or the Isaac Walton League.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, April 25, 2011

Adele Jordyn Phillips, 5 months, Warsaw, died at 12:45 p.m. Thursday, April 21, 2011 at Riley Hospital for Children, Indianapolis. A memorial service is being planned for Sunday. A complete obituary will be published at a later date. Service arrangements are entrusted to Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, April 25, 2011

Donna Welty, 78, New Paris, died at the home of her son, Brent Welty, surrounded by her children and her dearly beloved Buttons. She was born Nov. 28, 1932 in Peru to the late Tracy "Earl" and Keturah (Cutshal) McClain. She married Kenneth D. Welty on Sept. 24, 1950. He died Jan. 10, 2001. She was a homemaker, an artist and a business person. She graduated in 1950 from Peru High School. She worked 10 years for the Fairfield High School graphic arts department. For 20 years she was a Longaberger Basket consultant, retiring as a member of the board of directors in 2001. Mrs. Welty was a member of the Grace United Methodist Church, New Paris. She had served on the Board of Directors of the Elkhart County American Cancer Society and as president of the Residents Council of Greenleaf Assisted Living Center. She is survived by her children, Stephan (Sheri) Scott-Welty of Shipshewana, Beth (John) Henrichs of LaPine, Ore., Brent (Sherry) Welt of New Paris, and Kyra (Roy) Teeple of Milford, 10 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Also surviving is a brother, Hal McClain of Denver, and a sister, Barbara Stoner of Peru. She was preceded in death by her brothers, Eugene, Oden and infant brother Bernard. Friends may call 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday and one hour prior to the service on Wednesday at the Yoder-Culp Funeral Home. A 10 a.m. Wednesday funeral service will be conducted at the funeral home, with Pastor Rob Nelson officiating. Burial will follow at the Union Center Cemetery, Nappanee. Memorials may be directed to the Grace United Methodist Church, New Paris.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, April 25, 2011

Harold J. Ulsperger, 82, Peru, died at 3:05 p.m. Thursday, April 21, 2011, at Fort Wayne Hospice. He was born May 18, 1928, in Peru to John and Retta Ulsperger. He married Annie (Smith) Ulsperger on March 30, 1956, and she survives. Harold

served in the U.S. Army and Air Force, and was a life member of the VFW. He is survived by his wife; a son, Harold Wayne Ulsperger, Arkansas; a daughter, Retta Ann Ulsperger, Tennessee; five grandchildren and several great-grandchildren. Harold was preceded in death by both parents and one brother. A graveside service will be held in the Marion National Cemetery at 11 a.m. Wednesday, with Pastor George Dinkel officiating. Military rites will be conducted by the Miami County Military Rites Team. There will be no visitation. Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third Street.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, April 25, 2011

Virginia M. Mooney, 87, Peru, died at 9:05 a.m. Saturday, April 23, 2011 at Millers Merry Manor, Peru. Funeral arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, April 26, 2011

Laura I. Coldren, 85, of Richvalley, Indiana, died at 6 a.m. Monday, April 25, 2011 at Miller's Merry Manor West in Wabash. She was born October 4, 1925 in Cincinnati, Ohio, to Arthur C. and Pauline Rose (Binder) Hutter. Laura was a 1942 graduate of Peru High School. She married Walter Coldren, Jr. in Richalley on November 21, 1945; he died February 8, 1987. She was a homemaker. Laura was a 50-year member of the Richvalley United Methodist Church, where she sang in the church choir. She was also a 50-year member and past secretary of the Richvalley Home Demonstration Club. She enjoyed camping, gardening, and walking her dog "Cinder". She is survived by two children, Samuel Coldren of Richvalley, and Carole (Duane) Siders of Lagro, Indiana; two grandchildren, Judie (Todd) Branham of Lagro, and Penne (Jeff) Geiselman of Huntington, Indiana; four great-grandchildren, Lacy Good and Sarah Good, both of Huntington, Shane Branham and Tyler Branham, both of Lagro; sisters and brothers, Gertrude Hutter and Clara (Richard) Goldschmidt, both of Ocala, Florida, Marian McKittrick, Richard (Luceil) Hutter, Paul Hutter, and Robert (Lynn) Hutter, all of Versailles, Indiana. She was preceded in death by her son, William Coldren, her brother, Arthur Hutter, and her sister, Pauline Hutter. Funeral services will be held at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 1241 Manchester Avenue, Wabash, on Thursday, April 28, 2011 at 10 a.m. with Rev. Paul Burris officiating. Burial will be in Friends Cemetery, Wabash. Friends may call 2-7 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home. Preferred memorial is Richvalley United Methodist Church. The memorial guest book for Laura may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, April 28, 2011

The clouds parted and the sun came out on the afternoon of April 21, 2011. **Adele Jordyn Phillips** left this world in the arms of her loving parents at 12:45 p.m. She was born on Oct. 26, 2010 and lived a long life in a very short time. She touched many through her strength and beautiful brown eyes and even while very sick, she loved and was loved every day. She will continue as an inspiration to all those who knew her and followed her story. Adele is the daughter of Jeff and Jennifer Phillips of Warsaw, IN. She is a dream come true and in her death a vow is made to follow dreams and live for every moment. Adele is preceded in death by her paternal grandfather, Don Phillips of Warsaw. She is survived by her parents, Jeff and Jennifer Phillips of Warsaw. Her maternal grandparents are Paul and Linda Studebaker of Akron, and her paternal grandmother is Patricia Phillips of Warsaw. Her maternal great grandparents are Patricia Studebaker of Akron, and Guy and Helen Hill of Rochester. Her paternal uncle is Jamie Phillips of Toledo, Ohio and maternal aunt and uncle are Bill and Julie Betten of North Manchester. Adele also leaves three cousins, Jacob Phillips of Toledo, Ohio and Haley and Brenna Betten of North Manchester. A celebration of life will take place at the Akron Community Center, 815 East Rural Street, Akron, on May 1, 2011. Calling will begin at 2:30 p.m. with a memorial service at 3:30 p.m. Visitation will continue following the service. The family is working to create an Adele Jordyn Phillips scholarship fund with an annual gift to be given to a student with Marfan Syndrome or a student who has been helped by Riley Children's Hospital. Arrangements are entrusted to Hartzler Funeral Home 305 West Rochester Street Akron. Contributions can be made at Campbell & Fetter, 2926 Frontage Road, Warsaw, or www.helpingadele.com. Online condolences may be made at www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, April 28, 2011

Alfreda (Freddie) Eckelbarger, 77, went to be with her Lord April 20, 2011 at Miller's Merry Manor in Peru. She was born Feb. 4, 1934 in Moskowitz in the Czech Republic to the late Josef and Ernestine Kratschman, where they lived in the Czech Republic until 1946. She and her family were forced out of their homeland after the war to live in Germany. Her marriage to Jerry Eckelbarger, who survives, was in Neureut Germany. Freddie and Jerry and sons moved to the United States in 1957. She retired in 1993 from Delco. She was a loving wife and mother and enjoyed cooking, flowers and working in her garden. Survivors include three sons Helmut and John of Peru, Joe and wife Troy of Wichita Falls, Texas, two grandchildren Melisa and Justin, one great grandchild Caden, one sister Hilda Duncan of Bunker Hill, and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, two brothers and one sister. A service was held Saturday, April 23, 2011 at 1 p.m. at the Mexico Baptist Church, 4088 N. Carrol St., Mexico. Memorials may be made to the Mexico First Baptist Church.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, April 28, 2011

Mary L. Howard, 77, Peru, died Sunday, April 24, 2011. Graveside service 11 a.m. Friday at Crown Point Cemetery, Kokomo, with Pastor Robert Morphew officiating. Arrangements entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, April 28, 2011

Virginia M. Mooney, 87, Peru, passed away at 9:05 a.m. Saturday, April 23, 2011 at Millers Merry Manor. She was born in Peru April 12, 1924 to John and Emma (Hiers) Chaplin. She married Chester Mooney on April 12, 1986 and he preceded her in death on May 18, 1988. Virginia retired from United Technology, where she worked as a production operator. Virginia is survived by her best friend, Esther Shipman, Peru; and her friends, Steve Shipman and wife Mary, Onward, and Karen Sue Sorril, Peru. She was preceded in death by her husband, both parents, three brothers and two sisters. A graveside service will take place at 1 p.m. Thursday in Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru, with Pastor Tim Powers officiating. There will be no visitation. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society. Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, May 2, 2011

Betty Blendeem Moseley, 91, died 11:17 p.m. Saturday, April 30, 2011, at home. She was born Aug. 30, 1919 in Harrison Township, the daughter of Austin Earl Mishler and Sadie (Miller) Mishler. She was a lifetime Miami County resident and graduated from Clay High School in 1937. She married Harold Moseley Feb. 14, 1942; he survives. She served for eight years as women's leader for the Miami County Farm Bureau. She was a 4-H leader for several years. She attended First Christian Church, Peru. She was a lifetime member of the Eastern Woodland Carving Club, Paws and Taws Square Dancing Club and Good Sams Camping Club. She enjoyed wintering in Mission, Texas for 13 years. She liked sewing and reading and assisted her husband, Harold, with the family farm. Along with her husband, she is survived by three daughters, Patricia (Warren) Hardwick, Peru, Shirley (Ralph) Kerns, Peru and Barbara (David) Payne, Peru; six grandchildren, Dana (Curtis) Hardwick Ribble, Peru, Nicholas (Melissa) Payne, Plymouth, Ind., Sarah Payne, Tucson, Ariz., Amanda (Eric) Payne Miller, Peru, Kerry Hardwick, Markle, and Phillip Lee, Peru; eight great-grandchildren, Andrea Davies, Derek Davies, Kayla Knight, Daniel Knight, Alexis Payne, Aubrey Payne, Carter Miller and Ellie Miller; and special caregivers, Traci Owen, Kim Pugh, Amy Harmon and Mindy Mudd. She was preceded in death by her parents, and two sisters, Gwenivere Agness and Annabelle Shrock. Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, May 4 at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home with Rev. George McCarty presiding. Family will receive visitors from 4-7 p.m. Tuesday at Flowers-Leedy. Burial will be in Salem Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be sent to Wabash-Miami County Home Health Care and Hospice.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, May 2, 2011

Frances P. Bowersox, 98, died Friday, April 29, 2011 at Millers Merry Manor, Walkerton. A celebration on life will be 11 a.m. May 4 in the Good Family Funeral Home, visitation one hour prior to the service.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, May 2, 2011

Gerald W. LaBounty, 86, Peru passed away at 2:04 a.m. on Friday, April 29, 2011, at St. Joseph Hospital, Fort Wayne, Ind. Born Feb. 21, 1925 in Peru, he was the son of the late Dale James and Eva Garber LaBounty. On Sept. 7, 1957 in Fort Wayne, Ind. he was married to Lottie Wattenberg, and she preceded in death on Sept. 6, 2005. Mr. LaBounty graduated from Peru High School in 1943 and went on to join the U.S. Marine Corps during WWII. He served in Okinawa and Guadalcanal. As a member of the US Army Reserves, he was called to serve again during the Korean Conflict. He was a member of the American Legion, VFW and The Forty and Eight. In 1961, he graduated from IU with a B.S. in Business. He also was a licensed funeral director in Indiana and had held his license for over fifty years. From 1996-1999, he served on the Peru City Council. In 1994 he was named Peru Citizen of the Year by the Peru Daily Tribune. He was member of the Peru Masonic Lodge and the Scottish Rite, Fort Wayne Valley. Survivors include a daughter, Ruth Anderson and husband David, Crown Point, Indiana; two grandchildren, Jacob Anderson and Madeline Anderson, both of Indianapolis. Graveside services will be held at 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, May 5, 2011 at Metzger Cemetery, Nead, Indiana with Rabbi Stanley Halpern. Friends and family are invited to gather at the funeral home at 11:00 am to travel in procession to the cemetery. Military Rites will be presented by the Miami County Military Rites Unit. Visitation will be held from 4-7 p.m. on Wednesday, May 4, 2011 at McClain Funeral Home, Denver. Memorial contributions may be made to the Miami County Military Rites Unit. Condolences may be left online at www.mcclainfh.com

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, May 3, 2011

Edmund Perry, age 83 of Valparaiso, passed away Saturday, April 30, 2011. Ed was preceded in death by his wife, Yolanda (Sgambelluri) Perry and survived by children Leigh (Ralph) Duckwall, Peru; Mark (Gina) Perry, Union Mills; Noel (Kimberly) Perry, Valparaiso, and Suzan Perry, Lansing, Ill. He has seven grandchildren and four great grandchildren and a brother, Stanton Perry, of Conn. Visitation and funeral services will be held at Geisen Funeral-Cremation & Reception Centre, 606 E. 113th Ave. Crown Point, Indiana on Friday, May 6, 4-8 p.m. with services at 6:30 p.m. Memorials may be made in Ed's name to the Parkinson's Disease Foundation. View directions and/or sign guestbook at www.GeisenFuneralHome.com or contact 219-663-2500

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, May 3, 2011

Paul Richard Kerschner, 76, of North Manchester, Indiana died at 12:30 a.m., Monday, May 2, 2011 at Peabody Healthcare Center in North Manchester. He was born March 9, 1935 in Miami County to Harvey L. and Winona (Adamson) Kerschner. He was a 1955 graduate of Chili High School, and was a U.S. Marine Corp veteran. He married Joretta J. Summers at the Center Chapel First Brethren Church, in Miami County on June 20, 1956. He was a farmer and drove a truck for Pyramid Oil

Company in North Manchester 17 years. He was a member of the North Manchester First Brethren Church. He enjoyed woodworking and was a huge Notre Dame football fan. He is survived by his wife, Joretta Kerschner of North Manchester; three children, Donald W. Kerschner and Paula Jo Platt, both of North Manchester, and Jim Kerschner of Kent, Ohio; six grandchildren, David Kerschner and Daniel Kerschner both of Huntington, Andrew (Amy) Kerschner of Rowlett, Texas, Khristopher Kerschner and Wayde Platt both of North Manchester, Lynette (Vincent) Calloway of Columbia City; 4 great-grandchildren, Kaelin Kerschner and Ascher Kerschner both of Rowlett, Taylor Calloway and Victoria Calloway both of Columbia City, sister, Thelma Worden and brother, Dale (Cheryl) Kerschner both of Denver. He was preceded in death by his sister, Rosalyn Kerschner and a grandson, Bryan Platt. Funeral services will be held at Grandstaff-Hentgen Bender Chapel, 207 W. Main St., North Manchester, on Thursday, May 5, 2011 at 2 p.m. with Pastor Kurt Stout officiating. Burial will be in Oaklawn Cemetery, North Manchester. Friends may call 4 to 8 p.m., Wednesday at the funeral home. Preferred memorial is the Stephen Ministries at North Manchester First Brethren Church. The memorial guest book for Paul may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, May 6, 2011

Betty L. Weller, 83, Rochester, died 2:06 a.m. Wednesday, May 4, 2011. Service: 10 a.m. Saturday, Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Visitation: 4 to 7 a.m. Friday, one hour before service

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, May 6, 2011

James Ivan Mathias, 65, formerly of Rochester, died in Florida. Service: 11 a.m. Wednesday in Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Visitation is 9 to 11 a.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, May 6, 2011

Michael L. Douglas, 61, Wabash, formerly of Peru, passed away at 12:03 p.m. Wednesday, May 4, 2011 as the result of an automobile accident on Indiana 15 north of Wabash in Wabash County. He was born in Peru on May 1, 1950 to Shirley Lee and Betty (Hollingsworth) Douglas. He married Sherry (Palmer) Douglas April 11, 1973, and she survives. Michael was formerly employed at Square D, in Peru and was a CNC Machinist at PHD Inc. in Huntington before he had to go on disability. He was a member of the Glad Tidings Church in Peru, and prior to that he was a member of the First Assembly of God Church in Peru for 34 years. He loved to sing, and sang in many area churches. He is survived by his wife, Sherry, daughters Yvonne Druckenmiller, Peru, Amy (Jamie) Caldwell, Peru, Angie Fisher, Peru, and seven grandchildren; Jesse, Ashley, Austin, Andrew, Chad, Jasmine, and Zoe. Also surviving are sisters Betty (Fred) Tate, Ft. Wayne, and Judi (Jim) Shaffer, Montgomery, Ala. He was preceded in death by his parents, and a brother, Steven Douglas. A funeral service will be held at Glad Tidings Assembly of God Church, 388 W. 7th St., Peru, Monday, May 9, 2011 at 11 a.m. with Pastor Brian Maggart and Pastor John Thomas officiating. Burial will be at Reyburn Cemetery, Peru. Friends may call Sunday, May 8, 2011 at the Glad Tidings Church in Peru from 2 to 5 p.m. At the family's request, love offerings may be made to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru, Ind. 46970 to help defray burial expenses. Funeral arrangements are entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, May 7, 2011

Randall M. "Randy" Steg, 45, Peru, passed away 1 a.m. Tuesday, May 3, 2011. He was born at Grissom Air Force Base on April 6, 1966, the son of Richard J. and Jean Harmon Steg. Randy graduated from Peru High School in 1984 and Indiana State University in 1988 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in criminology. He was retired from the Indianapolis Police Department and a member of Sant Charles Catholic Church and the Knights of Columbus. Surviving is his mother Jean Steg, of Peru; a sister, Debi Steg and her partner, Dennis Nelson, of Peru; two brothers, Rick Steg and his wife Donna, of Peru, and Ron Steg and his wife Rhonda, of Peru; nieces and nephews, Richie Steg, Eric Steg, Crystal Steg, Kelley Steg, Jake Steg and Nickolas Steg-Nelson. He was preceded in death by his father Richard J. Steg Sr. A service celebrating the life of Randall M. Steg will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday, May 10, 2011 at Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main St., Peru, with Pastor David Ross officiating. Burial will be in the Saint Charles Catholic Cemetery, Peru. Family and friends will gather from 4 to 8 p.m. Monday at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home. Online condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, May 9, 2011

Hobart W. "Tub" Turnpugh, 69, Peru, died at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, May 7 at his daughter's residence. He was born March 30, 1942 in Logansport to Roy O. and Ida S. (Eskew) Turnpugh. He was married to Etta "Marlene" Opp on Feb. 7, 1970, and she preceded him in death Jan. 16, 2001. Hobart retired from work at Chrysler in Kokomo. He is survived by his daughter, April (Ron) Manriquez, Peru; his step-sons, James Holmes, Peru, and Rodney (Brenda) Holmes, Rochester; his grandchildren, Cody Abbie, Laure, Shalane; his brothers, Dale (Veronica) Turnpugh, Onward, Bill (Karen) Turnpugh, Logansport, Ronnie Turnpugh, Peru, Larry (Rozanna) Turnpugh, Onward, and Tom (Julia) Turnpugh, Onward; and his sisters, Bonnie Carpenter, Onward, and Judy (Dan) Brown, Kokomo. A funeral service will take place at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., with Rod Mason officiating. Burial will be in the Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru. Friends may call Tuesday from 4 to 8 p.m. at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society. Funeral arrangements were entrusted to the Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, May 9, 2011

Maxine Zerbe, 97, Rochester, died 2 p.m. Thursday, May 5, at Life Care Center, Rochester. Service is 11 a.m. Tuesday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Visitation 9 to 11 a.m.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, May 9, 2011

Beloved wife, mother and grandmother, **Mildred Pauline Miller, 88**, of rural Kokomo passed away peacefully on Mother's Day, May 8, 2011, at her residence. She was born in Howard County on July 23, 1922, the daughter of Harry and Ella Sommers Shrock. Pauline married Henry H. Miller at the Zion Parsonage on March 16, 1946, and he survives. Pauline graduated from Greentown High School in 1940 and was a member of the First Assembly of God in Kokomo. She was a "Prayer Warrior" on the prayer chain of the church for more than 10 years. As a part of America's Greatest Generation, she worked at Delco from 1942 to 1945. She and her husband, Henry, farmed until their retirement in 2002. Pauline valued most her domestic life with family. She was a very kind and generous lady with a memorable smile that would light up a room. She enjoyed quilting, was an avid reader and loved caring for the flowers around their home. Left behind to celebrate the love and legacy of Pauline's life is husband of more than 65 years, Henry, her son Roger Miller and his wife Elizabeth of Amboy, her daughter, Linda Cravens and her husband Glenn of Lexington, KY, her brother Kenneth Shrock of Plevna, her sister, Miriam Haun of Kokomo, her grandchildren Paul Miller, Robbie Miller, Michelle Cravens, and Heather Taylor, and her great-grandchildren Macie Cravens, Mikiaha Cravens, Kennedy Cravens and Joshua Taylor. She was preceded in death by her parents and brothers Emerson, Verl and James Shrock. A service celebrating the life of Pauline Miller will be held at 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, May 11, 2011, at the Howard-Miami Mennonite Church, 3976 E. 1400 S., Kokomo with Pastor Chuck Griffith officiating. Burial will be in Shrock Cemetery in Howard County. Family and friends will gather from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the Howard-Miami Mennonite Church. Memorial donations may be made to the First Assembly of God, 1520 N. Apperson Way, Kokomo, IN 46901. Arrangements have been entrusted to Laird-Eddy Funeral Home, 201 North Main Street, Amboy, IN.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, May 10, 2011

Don L. Hamilton, 76, passed away May 8, 2011 in Indianapolis. He was born in Anderson to the late Elmer and Henrietta Hamilton. Don was a graduate of Butler University and past president of Kappa Sigma Fraternity, and was a pharmacist in Central Indiana for all his life. He is survived by his wife, Shirley Hamilton; children, Gary (Christy) Hamilton, Cyndi (Ron) Williams, Mindy (Kevin) Bennett, Pam (Greg) Stiles and Leslie (Brian) Hoard; nine grandchildren; and brother, Robert (Pat) Hamilton. Don was preceded in death by his wife, Dianne Hamilton; son, Robert E. Hamilton; and sister, sue Durant. Visitation will be held at the Little and Sons Funeral Home Stop 11 Chapel, Indianapolis on Wednesday, May 11 from 10 a.m. to noon, followed by a funeral service at noon in the funeral home. Burial Estates of Serenity Cemetery, Marion. www.littleandsonindianapolis.com

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, May 11, 2011

Jackie D. "Jack" Utter, 76, Rochester, died 7:30 p.m. May 8, 2011. Service: 11 a.m. Thursday, Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Visitation: 4 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, one hour before service.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, May 12, 2011

Mary Jo Honeycutt, 72, Converse, died at 11:05 p.m. Tuesday, May 10, 2011. Services: 1 p.m. Friday, May 13, at Laird-Eddy Funeral Home, 201 Main St., Amboy. Calling hours: 10 a.m. to noon Friday.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, May 12, 2011

Webb, Susan Yvonne Portman, 62, passed away Tuesday May 10, 2011 in her home in Peru. She was retired. Susan was a member of Saint Charles Parish and an Air Force Veteran. She is preceded in death by her father, Frederick Portman; a sister, Sarah Webb; and a grandson, Marek Webb. She is survived by her children, Richard Webb (Yvonne) of Pineville, Ky., Lisa Webb of Peru, and Steve Webb (Cindy) of Denver; a mother, Catherine Portman; brothers, Freddy, Tommy (Stephanie) and Jerry Portman (Linda); sisters, Annette Miracle, Angela Jackson (Rick), Tina Cozzens (Tom), Jeanne Portman and Becky Cozzens; grandchildren, Catherine, Dylan and Rebecca Gordon, and Laura, Derrick, Shane and Kyla Webb; and numerous nieces and nephews. The funeral mass is 11:30 a.m. Saturday at Blessed Teresa of Calcutta, 903 Fairdale Road, with burial in Saint Andrews Cemetery. Visitation is 2 to 8 p.m. Friday at J. E. Ratterman and Son, 7336 Southside Drive.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, May 13, 2011

Anna Mae Rice, 79, Rochester, died 7:45 a.m. Wednesday, May 11, 2011. Funeral service is at noon Saturday in Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Visitation is 10 a.m. to noon Saturday.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, May 13, 2011

Harold Lewis, 80, Perrysburg, died at 9:31 p.m. Wednesday, May 11, 2011. Service is 11 a.m. Monday in Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Visitation is from 9 to 11 a.m. Monday.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, May 14, 2011

James S. "Jim" Dailey, 71, Peru, died at 10:20 p.m. Thursday, May 12, 2011, at his residence after a three year battle with lung cancer. He was born February 11, 1940 in Rankin, Ill. to Kenneth Dailey and Pearl (Allen) Dailey Hendricks. He married

Kris Hann May 12, 1981 and she survives. Jim was a U.S. Air Force veteran and retired as a truck driver for ANR after 32 years. He was a proud member of the Teamsters Union for 32 years. He was a member of the Eagles, the Moose, Literary Aid and the Peru Maennerchor. His three granddaughters were his main and favorite care givers. Jim is survived by his wife, Kris; daughters, Kathy (John) Marshall, Vidor, Texas, Christy (Brad) Conner, South Bend, Beth Hodgson, Tucson, Ariz., Miranda (Chris) Cassel, Peru, and Monica (Rick) Gamble, Murfreesboro, Tenn.; his grandchildren, Zachary Duncan, Amanda Fuller, Andrew Hodgson, Michael Hodgson, Evan Abend, Kaitlynn Cassell, Kelsee Cassel, Kolee Cassel and baby Gamble due in June; and his brothers, Mark Hendricks and Dean Hendricks, both of Rankin, Ill. Also surviving are four great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by both parents and a brother, Mike Hendricks. A funeral service will take place at 11 a.m. Monday at the Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., with the Reverend Father Douglas E. Hungerford officiating. Friends may call 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home. Burial will be in the Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru. A military committal service will be provided by the Miami County Military Rites Unit. Memorial contributions may be made to the Miami County Humane Society or the Church of the Holy Trinity.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, May 14, 2011

John H. Einselen, 87, of rural Peru, passed away at 4 p.m. Thursday, May 12, 2011 at his residence. He was born in Miami County on Feb. 15, 1924 the son of John F. and Stella Binkerd Einselen. John married Carolyn Joan Agness at the McGrawsville United Methodist Church on Feb. 2, 1949 and she survives. John was a graduate of Butler township High School and a retired Wabash/Miami County farmer. Early during his farming career he also worked at Freeman Loader in Peru and at Honeywell in Wabash. After retiring John worked on several projects with Habitat for Humanity in Kokomo, Marion, North Manchester and Wabash. He enjoyed woodworking, making many items for gifts and donations to the McGrawsville Women's Fellowship annual Make-Bake & Take Auction. John was a member of the Roving Sam's Chapter 5 Camping Club, and was active in the Indiana-Oklahoma Indian Mission Project for over 19 years. He and his wife Carolyn traveled to Liberia in 1990 with Operation Classroom through the United Methodist Church. Surviving along with his wife of more than 62 years, Carolyn, are his children, Steven and Kathy Einselen of Mansfield, Ohio, and their children Sarah, Abby and Jonathan Einselen; Kenneth and Cynthia Einselen of Amboy, and their children, John, Mark, Lisa, Lydia and Matthew Einselen; and Karen and John Troutman of Galveston, and their children Rynan, Andrew and Nathan Troutman. Also surviving is a brother Earl Einselen and his wife Wilma of Bunker Hill, and a sister-in-law Roselyn Einselen of Peru. He was preceded in death by his parents, a sister, Mildred Elliot and a brother, Loren Einselen. A service celebrating the life of John H. Einselen will be held at 10:30 a.m. Monday at the McGrawsville United Methodist Church, 9377 S. 300 E., Amboy, with Pastors Mark Hill and Kenneth Cole officiating. Burial will be in Park Lawn Cemetery, Amboy. Family and friends will gather from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main St., Peru, and at the church one hour prior to the service on Monday. Memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to the McGrawsville United Methodist Church. Online condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, May 14, 2011

Lowell "Woody" Ward, 83, Kokomo, passed away on Monday, May 9, 2011 at Golden Living Center at Sycamore Village. He was born Nov. 22, 1927 in Bee Branch, Ark., to Willie and Rosa (Duncan) Ward. He married Thelma Grant on Jan. 17, 1959, and she preceded him in death on July 11, 1997. He graduated from Formassa High School in 1946 and attended Arkansas Tech College. He taught high school in Scotland, Ark. and coached boys' and girls' basketball. He worked at Stellite/Haynes International, retiring in 1992. He was very active in the union and loved Democratic politics. He worked heavily on the Senate campaigns of former Senators Vance Hartke and Birch Bayh. After retiring from Haynes, he worked at Wal-mart for several years as a greeter. He was a member and past president of the Eagles Lodge and a member of the Greentown Masonic Lodge. He is survived by two sons, Rick Ward, Kokomo, and Kenneth (Donna) Ward, Muncie; one daughter, Judy (Larry Greene) Sawyer, Sharpsville; grandchildren, Jesse (Kristen) Ward, Jon (Nicole) Silcox, Corey (Abby) Silcox, Tim (Eliza) Ward, Matthew Ward, Nathan and Rachel Dirck, Erica (Jason) Dishner, Michael Sawyer, and Kacy, Kelcy, and Kinzy Greene; ten great-grandchildren; two sisters-in-law, Beverly Grant, and Marion Neldon; and several nieces and nephews. In addition to his wife, Thelma Ward, he was preceded in death by his parents, brother, Joel Ward; sister, Wanda Felton; daughter-in-law, Melany Ward; and one great-grandchild. The funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Sunset Memory Garden Funeral Home with Pastor Dan Comer officiating. Entombment will follow in Sunset Memory Garden Cemetery. Visiting hours will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Monday at the funeral home with an Eagles memorial service at 7:30 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association. Messages of condolence may be made at www.sunsetmemorygarden.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, May 14, 2011

Randa L. Buck passed away on Wednesday, May 11, 2011 at Riverside Methodist Hospital in Columbus, Ohio. She was born Jan. 15, 1956 in Peru. She attended and graduated from Peru High School, and owned a ceramic shop in town. She was preceded in death by her parents James and Eileen Buck, as well as her sister Judy Brundige. She is survived by her brother Rick Buck, his wife Donna, and sister Rhoda Glidewell, her husband Larry; nine nieces and nephews; 14 great nieces and nephews; and one great-great nephew. Her greatest joys towards the end were being with her family and friends, and spending time with her great niece Molly. A memorial service will be held at a later date, and in lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made in Randa's name to the American Cancer Society.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, May 17, 2011

John A. Marks, 88, passed away Sunday, May 15, 2011 at his home in Fort Wayne. Born in Peru, John worked as a manufacturer engineer with General Electric for 43 years, retiring in 1983. He was a member of Quarter Century Club at G.E. Apprentice Alumni Association, Second Air Division Association, Miami Indian Tribe of Oklahoma, Southwest Conservation Club and the Reserve Officers Association. John flew 18 combat missions as a bombardier and navigator in the European Theater during WWII. He retired as a lieutenant colonel from the Air Force Reserves with 30 years of service. He enjoyed fishing and working with his hands, building many furnishings, including their home. John loved his family and cherished his grandchildren. Surviving are his wife of 61 years, Elaine Marks, of Fort Wayne; sons, Jon Marks, Rick (Heidi) Marks, Dennis Marks, Leonard (Donna Carrico) Marks, all of Fort Wayne; Bruce Marks of East Moline, Ill.; daughter Judy J. (John) Slatton, of Fort Wayne; brother, Joe (Jody) Marks, of Kent, Wash.; sister, Susie Bailey, of Indianapolis; 12 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. John was preceded in death by parents George and Susie Marks; brothers, George Marks Jr. and David Marks; sisters, Percella, Mary and Marcella. Service is 2 p.m. Saturday at D.O. McComb and Sons Covington Knolls Funeral Home, 8325 Covington Road, with Pastor Tim Dilley officiating. Calling is at D.O. McComb and Sons Covington Knolls Funeral Home, 2 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday. Burial with military honors will be in Covington Memorial Gardens, Fort Wayne. A gathering of family and friends will follow the cemetery service at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the Fort Wayne American Heart Association or Visiting Nurse and Hospice Home. To sign the online guest book, go to www.mccombandsons.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, May 17, 2011

Robert R. Weimer, 94, LaFontaine, died 4:30 p.m. Friday, May 13, 2011. Service: 10 a.m. Thursday, McDonald Funeral Home, LaFontaine Chapel, 104 S. Main St., LaFontaine. Visitation: 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday, funeral home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, May 18, 2011

Edward Junior Coldiron, 59, Logansport, died at 3 a.m. Tuesday, May 17, 2011, at his residence. He was born April 12, 1952 in Kentucky to Troy Coldiron and Mila Starnes. He married Victoria J. Kerschner Jan. 9, 1975 in Jackson, Ky., and she survives. Ed was a fabricator for Moon Fabricating in Kokomo. He also owned Coldiron Construction Company. He enjoyed hunting, fishing and riding his motorcycle. He is survived by his wife, Victoria, Logansport; a daughter, Beth (Anthony) Carmichael, Logansport; his sons, Daniel (Melissa) Coldiron, Garrett, and Michael Coldiron, Indianapolis; his mother, Mila Coldiron, Peru; his sisters, Wanda Hollon, Peru, Shirley (Tom) Banks, Mexico, Becky (Kenny) Davis, Kokomo, Betty Coldiron, Edna (Jeff) Hileman, Peru, Kay (Brooks) Longfield, South Bend, and Ruth Coldiron, Peru; his brothers, Calvin (Rhonda) Coldiron, Logansport, and Rick (Sandy) Coldiron, Florida; and six grandchildren, Skylar, Alyssa, Hannah, Kyla, Emily and Anna. Several nieces and nephews also survive. A funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. Friday at the Gundrum Funeral Home, 1603 E. Broadway, Logansport, with Dr. Horace Smith officiating. Visitation will take place from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home. Burial will be in Mount Hope Cemetery, Logansport. You may sign the guest book and send online condolences at www.gundrumfuneralhome.com

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, May 18, 2011

Lorene Foor, 94, formerly of Rochester, died Monday, May 16, 2011. Service: 11 a.m. Saturday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Visitation: 9 to 11 a.m. Saturday at the funeral home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, May 18, 2011

Pauline M. Badger, 92, Fort Wayne, formerly of Peru, died at 12:55 p.m. Monday, May 16, 2011 at the Englewood Health and Rehab Center in Fort Wayne. She was born in Whitley County Aug. 7, 1918 to Cary L. and Melissa (Simcoe) Cormany. She married Howard "Red" Badger March 18, 1939, and he preceded her in death March 23, 1988. Pauline was a homemaker. She was a member of the EastPointe Bible Church and the Moose Auxiliary. She is survived by her nieces, Sharon (Larry) Casper, North Manchester, Connie (Joe) Funk, Huntington, and Arlene (Bud) Keirn, North Manchester. Pauline was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, six brothers and two sisters. A funeral service will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., with Pastor George Dinkel officiating. Burial will be in the Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru. Friends may call one hour prior to the time of service at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to Rosies Rescue and Retreat, Inc. Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, May 19, 2011

A memorial service for **Frances Anne Martin**, 87, who passed away Feb. 13, 2011, will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, May 21, at Christ United Methodist Church, 477 N. Wabash St., Wabash.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, May 23, 2011

Jean Miller, 80, Fairland, formerly of Mexico, passed away at 1:36 a.m. on Saturday, May 14, 2011 at her residence. Born May 9, 1931 in Cass County, she was the daughter of the late Charles Lesley and Mary Nettie Yankee Lutz. On Nov. 19, 1949 in Mexico, she was married to Harold Elmer Miller, and he survives. She was a 1949 graduate of Jefferson Township High School. She was a director and member of both the Indiana and American Dairy Goat Associations. She was active in the Indiana State Fair helping in the Dairy Goat Department serving as Project Superintendent. Survivors include four children, Linda Mills and husband Raymond, Rossville; Steven Miller and wife Linda, Logansport; Maryann Vincent, Florida; and David Miller and wife Marie, Fairland; 10 grandchildren and 19 great grandchildren. One sister, Mary Balsbaugh, preceded

her in death. Private services were observed and she was laid to rest in Mount Carmel Cemetery, Twelve Mile. McClain Funeral Home, Denver, handled arrangements. The online guestbook can be signed at www.mcclainfh.com. Memorial Contributions may be made to Mount Carmel Cemetery, in care of McClain Funeral Home, PO Box 248, Denver, Ind.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, May 25, 2011

Annis Fay Thompson, age 78, Nappanee, died at 3:40 p.m. Sunday, May 22, 2011 at Dukes Hospital in Peru, where she had been admitted May 18 after a long illness. She was born Jan. 5, 1933 in Houston, Miss. to Forrest W. and Allie Mae Criddle Collums. She was a graduate of Woodland high School in Woodland, Miss. On March 12, 1950 she married Willie Edd Thompson in Chicksaw County, Miss. He preceded her in death May 8, 2002. They moved to Nappanee in 1968 from Mississippi. Mrs. Thompson was a homemaker. She and her husband had owned Willie's Market in Elkhart for many years. Mrs. Thompson loved her kids and grandkids. She enjoyed traveling with her husband, gardening and flowers. Surviving are her daughters, Branda (Craig) Middaugh, Nappanee, Cathy (Marvin) Schmucker, Peru, a son, Jimmy Wayne (Connie) Thompson, Fort Worth, Texas, 13 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren, sisters, Josephine (Henry) Bullard, Woodland, Mis., Grace Clark, Ponotoc, Miss., Regina (Rodney) Burgess, Jackson, Miss., Marika (Tim) Kunder, Bremen, and a brother, Forrest Webster (Wanda) Collums, Houston, Miss. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, and sisters, Nell Faulk, Burnetta Patterson and Marie Long. Friends may call Tuesday from 4 to 8 p.m. at Thompson-Lengacher and Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee, where funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, May 25. Burial will be in Bremen Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to United Cancer Services of Elkhart County.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, May 25, 2011

Audra Snyder Bailey, 102, North Vernon, formerly of Amboy, died at Hospice of South Central Indiana, Columbus, at 4:45 p.m. Saturday, May 21, 2011. Arrangements are pending at Laird-Eddy Funeral Home, 201 N. Main, Amboy.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, May 25, 2011

M. Max White, 88, of Wabash, died at 1:20 p.m., Monday, May 23, 2011 at Miller's Merry Manor East in Wabash. He was born Aug. 4, 1922 in Ora to Floyd E. and Lacy R. (Kessler) White, Sr. Max was a 1940 graduate of Culver high School and attended Anderson College. He was a U.S. Army veteran during WWII. He married Ruthann Brackenhamer in Peru on Jan. 13, 1950. He was a service technician for Northern Indiana Public Service Company, retiring after 33 years. He was a member of the Wabash First Church of God, and in 1986 became an ordained minister in the Church of God Anderson. He was a former member of Gideons International. After retirement, Max worked summer youth camps and as a campground pastor at the Church of God campground at Yellow Creek Lake. He enjoyed working with youth groups, spending time with the "noon group" at the Wabash Donut Shoppe, and enjoyed being with people. He also led devotions at Wabash Skilled Care Center and Eastwood Place, in Peru. Max and his family moved to Wabash in 1960, coming from Peru. He is survived by his wife, Ruthann White; 2 children, Sue A. White and Steven M. (Margie) White; grandson, Benjamin S. (Shanna) White; great-granddaughter, Abbi Campbell, all of Wbash; sister, Melba Easterday of Culver; brother, Floyd E. (Liz) White Jr. of Peru. He was preceded in death by two sisters and a brother. Funeral services will be held at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 1241 Manchester Avenue, Wabash, on Friday, May 27, 2011 at 10:30 a.m. with Pastor Robb Rensberger officiating. Burial will be in Memorial Lawns Cemetery, Wabash. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday and 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Friday at the funeral home. Preferred memorial is Gideons International or Yellow Creek Lake Youth Camp (YCL Ministries). The memorial guest book for Max may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, May 25, 2011

Richard L. Maggart, LTC, USAF retired, age 90, of Peru, passed away at 4:47 p.m., Sunday, May 22, 2011 at his residence. He was born in Noble County on May 16, 1921 the son of Russell and Ruth Shock Maggart. Dick was a 1939 graduate of Cromwell High School in Cromwell, and attended Indiana University at Ft. Wayne. A paragon of America's Greatest Generation, Richard L. Maggart enlisted in the US Army Air Corps during WWII. As a 22 year old 1st Lt. and a B-17 command pilot, Dick flew 32 missions in B-17s from England all over Europe during WWII. He flew his first mission to Sarreguemines, France on May 24, 1944 and two days later he took his crew and went on a raid to Mannheim, Germany, which was his first taste of an actual combat mission. During his 23rd combat mission to bomb Coubronne in France his plane was hit by anti-aircraft fire knocking out the left inboard engine, moments later additional anti-aircraft fire knocked out the second engine. As the plane swung out of formation in an attempt to return to an English air force base the third engine was hit and knocked out and they were left flying on one engine. Miraculously, Dick was able to navigate his plane across the English Channel and crash land on English soil. His military decorations include the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters and the European-African-Middle Eastern Service Medal. Dick returned to civilian life following WWII and ran the Wawassee Airport. With the outbreak of the Korean War he was called back to active duty and remained on active until the war ended. After the Korean War Dick purchased Keller Kleaners in Peru in 1953 and owned and operated it until his retirement in 1986. He also co-owned and operated Rolling Greens Golf & Dining, the former Mississinewa Country Club, from 1978-1984. Dick was a member of the First Presbyterian Church. He was a charter member and first Commander of the Cromwell American Legion Post. Dick also belonged to the Peru Elks Lodge, Peru Moose Lodge, Miami County VFW Post #2067 and Cromwell Masonic Lodge #705. He was an avid IU basketball fan and thoroughly enjoyed playing golf. He is survived by his sons Richard L. Maggart, Jr. of Peru and David R. Maggart and his wife Bonnie of Phoenix, Ariz., a daughter Deborah Huff of Peru; grandchildren Jennifer Maggart and Melissa Maggart; a sister Rose Albrecht of Massillon, Ohio and his

former wife and the mother of his children Helen Mowbray of Peru. A service celebrating the life of Richard L. Maggart will be held at 11 a.m., Thursday, May 26, 2011 at the First Presbyterian Church, 102 W. Main St., Peru, with Pastor Larry Moslener officiating. Burial with full military honors will be in the Mt. Hope Cemetery, Peru. Family and friends will gather from 5 to 8 p.m., Wednesday at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main St., Peru. Memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to the First Presbyterian Church. Condolences may be made online at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, May 26, 2011

Almeda June Tate, 87, Kokomo, died in Sterling, Va., Tuesday, May 24, 2011. She was born in Peru on June 9, 1923 to Harvey L. and Edyth V. (Miller) Harris Clark. She married Joseph A. Tate, Feb. 14, 1942 and he preceded her in death Dec. 1, 2010. Almeda was a homemaker. She is survived by daughters Madeline K. (husband John) Korth, Ulster Park, N.Y., Lisa T. (husband Robert) Narod, Herndon, Va., son Dennis K. Tate, Upper Darby, Pa. and a sister, Margaret Benedict, Jonesboro. Also surviving are eight grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild. She was preceded in death by her parents, three brothers and two sisters. A funeral service will be held at Mount Hope Cemetery Chapel at 2 p.m. Sunday, May 29, 2011 with the Rev. George McCarty officiating. Burial will be at Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru. Friends may call from 1 to 2 p.m., the time of service, on Sunday at the Mount Hope Cemetery Chapel. Memorials can be made to Capitol Hospice, 209 Gibson St. North West, Suite 202, Leesburg, Va., 20176. Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, May 26, 2011

Rebecca Jacquelyne "Jackie" Shelburne, 82, Rochester, died 1:13 a.m. Wednesday, May 25, 2011. Service: noon Saturday, Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Visitation: 4 to 8 p.m. Friday, one hour before service.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, May 27, 2011

Guinevere A. Green, 99, Twelve Mile, passed away at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 25, 2011 at Woodbridge Health Center where she had made her home in the assisted living facility for nearly eight years. Born February 29, 1912 in Mexico, she was the daughter of Lyman Earl Sr. and Grace Edith Shilling McGuire. On April 25, 1937 at the Twelve Mile United Methodist Church Parsonage, she was married to Floyd D. Green, and he passed away on November 27, 2003. She was a member of the Twelve Mile United Methodist Church for over 70 years. She was Past Matron and was a 50 year member of the former Vashti Chapter, Order of the Easter Star, Mexico. Guinevere retired as Postmaster of the Twelve Mile Post Office in 1976. She is survived by one son, Robert N. Green, Twelve Mile; one brother, Lyman E. McGuire, Jr. and his wife Rachel, Denver; one sister, Joan Shoemaker, Denver; one sister-in-law, Maxine Hegel, Wabash; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by an infant son, Larry Alan Green and one brother Wayne McGuire. Funeral services will be held at 11:30 a.m. on Monday, May 30, 2011 at McClain Funeral Home, Denver with Pastor Darlene DeHaai officiating. Burial will follow in Greenlawn Cemetery, Mexico. Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m. on Sunday, May 29 2011 at the funeral home. The online guestbook can be signed at www.mcclainfh.com. Memorial contributions may be made to the Twelve Mile Fire Department or Twelve Mile United Methodist Church.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, May 27, 2011

Lynn D. Robertson, 64, Peru, passed away at 12:32 a.m. Wednesday, May 25, 2011 at Lutheran Hospital, Ft. Wayne. He was born in Decatur, Ill. on May 8, 1947 to Dale and Alice (Taylor) Robertson. He graduated from Maroa-Forsyth High School in 1965, served in the U.S. Air Force, and was retired. Lynn is survived by his children, son Brian Robertson (wife Brook), Peru, daughter Michelle Jones (husband Greg), Fort Wayne, grandson Trevor Robertson, Peru, granddaughter Emma Jones, Fort Wayne, and grandson Riley Jones, Fort Wayne. Also surviving is a brother Joe Robertson (wife Carol), Decatur, Ill. He loved automobiles, drag racing, Nascar and all other cars. He loved sports teams – the Bears, Cubs, and anything IU. He was an avid golfer who loved hitting the links. He enjoyed seeing his grandchildren participate in sports of all kinds. His grandchildren were important to him. A funeral service will be held Tuesday, May 31, 2011 at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., with Pastor Phil Cruea officiating. Burial will be a Graceland cemetery in Decatur, Illinois. Friends may call from 4 to 7 p.m. Tuesday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home. Love offerings may be made to the Lynn Robertson family through Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, May 27, 2011

Rebecca Jacquelyne "Jackie" Shelburne, 82, Rochester, died 1:13 a.m. Wednesday, May 25, 2011. Service: noon Saturday, Rochester Church of the Nazarene. Visitation: 4-8 p.m. Friday, Good Family Funeral Home, one hour before service in church.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, May 28, 2011

Dr. Joseph J. Kreutzer, 89, Peru, passed away at 11:30 a.m. Friday, May 27, 2011 at Miller's Merry Manor Nursing Home, Peru. He was born in Peru on Jan. 31, 1922 the son of Jacob A. and Anna Rhein Kreutzer. Dr. Kreutzer married Roberta Bowling at the Cathedral of the Assumption in Louisville, Ky. on January 24, 1948 and she survives. Dr. Kreutzer studied pre-dentistry at St. Joseph College and Indiana University. He was a 1946 graduate of the University of Louisville School of Dentistry and did his internship at Louisville General Hospital. He entered into private practice in Logansport, and practiced there until 1951 when he entered the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War. He remained on active duty in the Air Force until his retirement in as a Lt. Colonel in 1972. Dr. Joe, as he was fondly called by most Peruvians, was a member of the Knights of Columbus, a Life Member of VFW Post #2067, a Life Member of the American Legion Glen Owens Post #14, a member of

the American Dental Association and a member of the Retired Air Force Officers Association. Surviving in addition to his wife Roberta is a sister Virginia Klug of Toledo, Ohio. A Mass of Christian Burial celebrating the life of Dr. Joseph J. Kreutzer will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, May 31, 2011 at the Saint Charles Catholic Church, 58 W. Fifth St., Peru, with the Rev. Francis I. Kilcline III officiating. Burial will be in the Saint Charles Catholic Cemetery with military graveside services provided by the members of the Miami County Military Rites Unit. Visitation will be at the church one hour before the service on Tuesday. Memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to the Saint Vincent de Paul Society. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 West Main Street, Peru.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, May 28, 2011

Nancy Jean Kindig Conaway, 73, died Tuesday at Helen Ellis Hospital in Tarpon Springs, Fla. following a sudden illness. She was born May 22, 1938 in Fulton County, the daughter of Nina E. Rhodes Chapman and Herman Dale Kindig. She is survived by her husband Jack Conaway, Tarpon Springs, Fla.; two daughters, Stephanie Warner, Indianapolis, and Vicki Corbett, Draper, Utah; one son, Joel Conaway, Fishers; five grandsons; three granddaughters; three sisters, Mary (Millard) Knapp, Charlotte (Roy) Easterday and Doris (Harold) Molter; two sisters-in-law Joellen (Jerry) Wynn and Tamra (Jerry) Keyes, and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents and by two sisters, Shirley (Wayne) Shirk and Carolee Powell. Also survived by her beloved dog Chance. A celebration of the life of Nancy Conaway will be at 3 p.m. Sunday, May 29, 2011 at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. The family will receive friends two hours prior to her services. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, May 31, 2011

Wayne A. Wagoner, 60, Rochester, died 11:15 p.m. Friday, May 27, 2011. Service: 10 a.m. Thursday, Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Visitation: 4 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, one hour before service.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, June 1, 2011

Donald E. Gray, 71, Kokomo, died at 8:30 p.m. Friday, May 13, 2011 at Sycamore Village Golden Living Center. He was born Jan. 24, 1940 in Marion, the son of Theodore C. and Dorothy B. (Merkey) Gray. He was a 1959 graduate of Peru High School, and went on to attain his master's degree in industrial arts from Central Missouri State College. Donald grew up in Peru, then moved to Missouri. Returning to Indiana, he settled in Kokomo in 1999. He served his country in the Air Force from 1960 to 1964. He was a school teacher from 1970 to 1978 and was then self-employed with several different jobs. He attended New Beginnings Christian Fellowship. Don enjoyed origami and enjoyed making ice cream for the Jim "Moose" Carden Fishing Clinic. Don is survived by four sisters, Carol Kunkle and husband David, and Colleen Edwards and husband Ronnie both of Kokomo, Rosalee Hayes and Berneil and husband Leo Boone, both of Peru; two brothers, William A. Gray and wife Jo of Marion, and Ted A. Gray and companion Janet Vinopal of Peru; a host of nieces and nephews and special friends, Fred and Sissy Ribelin of Indianapolis. He was preceded in death by his parents, one brother, Richard Gray, and one great nephew, Dylan McClure. Don said of his life, "I lived, I tried, I died." A memorial service will be 4 p.m. Saturday, June 4, 2011 at New Beginnings Christian Fellowship, 1900 S. Berkley Road, Kokomo, with Pastor Jeff Russell officiating. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 2723 S. Albright Road, Kokomo, Ind. 46902 or to Smile Train, P.O. Box 96231, Washington, D.C. 20090-6231. Shirley and Stout Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences may be left at www.shirleyandstout.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, June 1, 2011

Eleanor Jean Krause, 87, Peru, died at 11:30 a.m. Monday, May 30, 2011 at her residence. She was born in Indianapolis on July 8, 1923 to Hobart and Elenor (Hylton) Barnum. She married Leland H. "Lee" Krause on May 6, 1944 and he preceded her in death April 10, 2002. Eleanor lived in Miami County for 44 years, and worked as a bank teller. She was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church, Peru, the Moose Auxiliary, Elks Auxiliary and the BPW, Business Professional Women's Club. She was co-owner of Lee's Bootery. She is survived by a son, Dan (wife Cherie) Krause, Baltimore, Md., and a daughter Denise (husband Klaudius) Mirkowski of West Lafayette, four grandchildren, Erin Krause, New York City, N.Y., Lauren Krause, Los Angeles, Calif., Zak Mirkowski, in college at Indiana University-Bloomington and Claudia Mirkowski, at Home-W., Lafayette. She was preceded in death by her husband, both parents, two sons David and Dennis Krause, half-brother William Zier and a sister, Nancy Lou Hauser. A funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, June 3, 2011 in Saint John's Lutheran Church, with Pastor Kenneth Greenwalk officiating. Burial will be at the Lutheran Cemetery, Peru. Friends may call Thursday from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, June 1, 2011

Eugene Martin, 88, Miami, died at his residence at 8:40 a.m. Tuesday, May 31, 2011. Funeral arrangements are pending at Allen Funeral Home, 115 S. Elm St., Bunker Hill.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, June 1, 2011

Jo A. Harris, 57, Rochester, died Monday, May 30, 2011 shortly after her arrival to Woodlawn Hospital Emergency Room. Funeral arrangements are pending at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, June 2, 2011

Eugene Martin broke the shackles of his infirmity on Tuesday, May 31, 2011. He was privileged to have over 88 years to spend with his family, in South Paris, Maine, where he lived until he joined the war effort during World War II and then in Kokomo and Miami, where he and his wife Bercie gave life to seven children. He met the former Bercie Wood when he was a soldier – a young man from Maine and a young lady from Kentucky made an unlikely couple. They fell in love, were wed in January 1944 and moved to Kokomo. As with many young couples, they moved several times, including two stints in Maine. Their children are Leona (Frank) Mims, Betty Jean Martin, deceased, Eddie Martin, deceased, Randy (Rita) Martin, John (Cyndy) Martin, David Martin, deceased, and Sherry (Bob) Kreag. They took their parenting very seriously and cared for the kids, come what may. Vacations consisted of visits to see family in South Paris and Norway, Maine. Family there included Percy, who survives. Those who have passed include brother Eddie and sisters Esther Merrill, Grace Martin, Mary Reed, June Piirainen and Dorothy Witham. Through their children came a much larger clan, including grandchildren Amy (Joe) Lyon, Andrew (Ashley) Mims, Rachel Martin, Rebekah (Brad) Dunlap, Ty (Ashley) Martin, Christy Martin, Hannah (Josh) Hunley, Logan Kreag and Amber (Jared) Lange. The great grandchildren are Amanda, Caleb, Jayden, Carly, Kyaleigh, Blake, Trevor, Cameron, Bailey, Mason, Maddox, Molly, Cash (who preceded in death) and Jacy. Gene retired from Delco Electronics and filled his time with a garden and puttering in the garage. He was partial to 1920s and 1930s models and wanted them to drive, not look at. He was equally at home in the garage or on a lawn chair under the shade tree. He shared that shade, and everything else, with Bercie until her death in 2001. Later in life, he accepted the Lord and became a faithful attendee at the then Trinity Baptist Church, now called Steps of Faith Community Church. There he perfected his mischievous little grin and winning personality. He became that sweet little old man that most people just love to be around. This led to one of his favorite hobbies, collecting hugs. He was hobbled in his later years with COPD, yet never took for granted the love of his family, immediate and extended. He was joined in his journey toward victory by the wonderful people of Guardian Angel Hospice. They brought the expertise that was expected but they brought much more. The family thanks especially Lori and Lynn for helping them deal with Dad's final hours. The family was also greatly assisted by Brandon and Jeannie, who helped to provide round the clock care. He was greatly blessed with the friendship of Lynn McKinney of Peru. The family encourages that those who wish consider a gift to either Guardian Angel Hospice or Steps of Faith Community Church, Peru, in lieu of flowers. Envelopes will be available at the Allen Funeral Home in Bunker Hill. Visitation will be held on Thursday, June 2 from 4 to 7 p.m. The funeral will be held on Friday at 11 a.m. with viewing beginning at 10. The Rev. Ken Spangler will officiate.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, June 2, 2011

James Donald Melroy, 39, Peru, passed away at Memorial Hospital E.R. Logansport at 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 31, 2011. He was born in Cass County, on July 12, 1971 to James Justice and Debora Melroy. He married Kerri Gollotte in August 21, 1992 in Cass County, and she survives. James Worked for Transco Railways as a Carman. He enjoyed riding his Harley Davidson Motorcycle and was a member of the HOG chapter. He also enjoyed spending time with his family and working on cars. He is survived by his wife Kerri Melroy, Peru, son Shawn Baumgart and wife Mandie, Logansport, son James Melroy, Flora, daughter Sharlean Melroy, Ft. Polk, La., daughter Deanna Melroy, Peru, son Zavier Melroy, Peru, daughter Nakiya Melroy, Peru, daughter Caylee Melroy, Peru, son Christian Melroy, Peru, daughter Shawna Howell and husband Chris, Logansport, granddaughter Kathryn Howell, Logansport, granddaughter Natalie Howell, Logansport, granddaughter Zaley Baumgart, Logansport, granddaughter Emilyn Baumgart, Logansport, mother Debra Cassidy, Logansport, grandmother Marilyn Melroy, Logansport, half sister Stacy Justice, Lafayette, half brother Jeremiah Justice, Camden, mother-in-law Sandy Morehead, Peru, sister-in-law Shasta Lacey and husband Kevin, Peru, Ind., father and mother in-law Gregory Gollotte and wife Deloris Peru, Ind., cousin Kelly Spencer and wife Teresa, Logansport, uncle Don Melroy, Logansport, aunt Deb Smith, Logansport, aunt Robin Melroy, Logansport. Also surviving are friends Sadye Shedron, Dylan Shedron, Scott Korrekt, Dorvan Korrekt, Brack Korrekt, Leonard Quaglio, Chris Quaglio, Loretta Quaglio, Lisa James, Chris James, Scott Colford, Angel Melroy, Eric Nichols, and Rick Nichols. A son, Nathan Melroy, preceded him in death. A funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 4, 2011 at Gundrum Funeral Home, 1603 E. Broadway, Logansport, with Minister Kelly Spencer officiating. Burial will be at Reyburn Cemetery, Peru. Friends may call at the funeral home from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday, June 3, 2011. You may sign the guest book and send online condolences at www.gundrumfuneralhome.com

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, June 2, 2011

MURRELLS INLET, S.C. – Joe W. Carroll 70, widow of Johnnie Mae Hewitt Carroll, died Monday, May 30, 2011 in a local Hospital. A celebration of life service will be held later at the Founders Club Golf Course, Pawleys Island, SC. Burial will be private. Mr. Carroll was born in Peru, a son of the late George A. Carroll and Margaret Reed Carroll. He was an Army veteran, a member of the Founders Club Golf League and enjoyed fishing. Survivors are daughters, Jolene (Larry) Watford of Sylva, N.C. and Becky Ridenour of Kokomo; a son, John Carroll of Lafayette; grandchildren, Jamie Ridenour and Ashley Ridenour; a great grandson, Treson Ambrose; and a loving companion, Janie Margaret Wise of the home. Memorials may be made to the Tideland Hospice, 1119 A Third Ave., Suite 101, Conway, S.C. 29526. Avinger Funeral Home of Holly Hill, SC is assisting the family. www.avingerfh.com

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, June 3, 2011

John N. Childers, Peru, passed away at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 1, 2011 at Dukes Memorial Hospital. He was born in Miami County on May 14, 1922 to Ora and Edith (Goodwin) Childers. He married Mildred Collett on March 28, 1946 and she

survives. John graduated from Bunker Hill High School in 1940. John was a Staff Sergeant in the U.S. Army Air Corp in WW II in the 366 Fighter Group and was an airplane mechanic. He was in Normandy just after D Day and fought in Belgium, Germany and England during the war. John was also a crew chief on a P47. He and his brother-in-law ran the Bob and John's Mobile Home Park and Sales much of his working career, until his retirement. He was a member of Parkview United Methodist Church and was active in the life of the congregation and held many offices over the years including the building committee and administrative board. He served as a cub master and enjoyed taking the pack to Camp Buffalo. He also served on the Zoning Board, was president of the Mobile Home Association and helped his wife do Meals on Wheels. He enjoyed helping with and attending his class reunions and reunions of his 366 th Fighter Group. He loved playing games, especially cards with his family and friends. He enjoyed traveling, particularly when he went to Hawaii and Europe. John is survived by his children: daughter Marsha (husband Alan) Ash, Peru, daughter Deborah (husband Tim) Reidy, Fishers, son David (wife Cheryl) Childers, Ft. Wayne, and son Jeffery (wife Mindy) Childers, Peru. Also surviving are nine grandchildren, Brad and Amy Ash, Scott and Jennifer Ash, Phillip and Rebekah Ash, Channa and Kraig Hammersley, Brent and Nicole Childers, Sarah Lowery, Edward Childers, Patrick Reidy, Emily Reidy and six great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, a brother Raymond, and four sisters: Vesta, Marjorie, Faye, and Lois. A funeral service will be held at Parkview United Methodist Church, Monday, June 6, 2011 at 10 a.m. with Pastor Alan Ash and Pastor J. Robert Clark officiating. Burial will be at Mt. Hope Cemetery, Peru. Friends may call Sunday, from 2 to 6 p.m. at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru. A Military Committal Service will be held. Memorial contributions can be made to the Parkview United Methodist Church.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, June 4, 2011

Ronnie Dale Jackson Jr., 42, of Peru, passed away due to injuries sustained from an accident on State Road 19 south of Akron. He was born Dec. 16, 1968 in Albuquerque, N.M., the son of Ronnie Dale Jackson and Melody (Mansbarger). He married Sondra Swartz Nov. 17, 2006 in Rochester; she survives. He was the kitchen manager at Harvey Hinklemeyers in Peru and he also ran a lawnmower repair shop out of his garage. Ronnie really enjoyed fishing. He was considered by many that knew him to be a workaholic. He enjoyed working on small engines. Ronnie attended the Zion Chapel in Peru. Survivors include his wife: Sondra Jackson, Peru; mother Melody Jackson, Akron; father Ronnie D. Jackson, Tippecanoe; two sons, Kevin (Cassandra) Jackson, New Paris, and Ricky Jackson, Laketon; daughter Olivia Jackson, Maiden, N.C.; grandson Jacob Jackson, New Paris; sister Dawn Jackson, Akron; and brother Edward Earl Jackson, Akron. A Memorial Service will be noon Saturday, June 11, 2011, at the House of Prayer Church 15102 East 300 South Akron, Indiana, with ministers Pastor Danny Honeycutt and Pastor Rod Correll. Visitation will be 10 a.m. to noon on Saturday June 11 at House of Prayer Church 15102 East 300 South Akron, Indiana. Memorial Contributions can be made to the family. Online Condolences can be made at www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St. Akron, has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, June 6, 2011

Dana L. Starkey, 54, of Peru, died 6:45 p.m., June 4, 2011, at her residence. She was born Sept. 18, 1956 in Peru, the daughter of Charles and Wilma (Lawrence) Bender. She married Max T. Starkey April 4, 1982 at the First Baptist Church in Peru; he survives. She retired from AT & T after 29 years of service. She enjoyed gardening and baking, especially cookies, and spending time with her two granddaughters. She is survived by her husband; daughter Lindsey (Chris) Kunkle, Peru; son Ryan Starkey, Peru; two grandchildren, Olivia, 2, and Julia Kunkle, 2-months-old; brother Mark Bender, Peru; and sisters Nancy Green, Peru, Cindy Stokdyk, Delphi, and Jane (Ken) Slater, Peru. She was preceded in death by her parents, an infant son Jeremiah and a brother, Gary Bender. Funeral services will take place 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, June 8, 2011 at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home with Pastor Bob Adelsperger. Burial will be in Mt. Hope Cemetery, Peru. Visitation will be 3-7 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made through the funeral home to the First Baptist Church.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, June 8, 2011

Donald "Don" E. Friend, 89, Peru, died at 7:45 a.m. Tuesday, June 7, 2011 at Miller's Merry Manor Nursing Home. Born Feb. 13, 1922 to Ira Harold and Edith Marie (Richardson) Friend. Married Betty Lee (Spohn) Friend July 8, 1941. Married Shirley J. (Robinson) Friend, Sept. 16, 1979. Retired from C & O Railroad, 1983, after 38 years as carman. Served in U.S. Army during World War II, serving in New Guinea and Philippine campaigns. Member of First Christian Church and American Legion. Survivors beside his wife, Shirley, are a daughter, Penny Sue Baber and husband, Jim, Michigan City and a son Timothy and wife, Sandy, Logansport, two step-daughters, Cynthia Tidd and husband, Bud, Brownsburg, and Teresa Robinson, Muncie. Three grandsons – Michael Raymer and wife Vickey, Michigan City, Steven Raymer and wife Ronda, Laporte, and Donny Friend, Logansport. Two great-grandsons – Brandon Raymer, Peru, and Caleb Raymer, Michigan City. One half-brother, Bill and wife, Mary Sue, Peru. Two half-sisters – Edie Martin and husband Roger, Ohio, and Jerri Ann and husband Charles, Illinois. His first wife, Betty, his parents, three sisters and four brothers preceded him in death. Also a grandson. A funeral service will be at 1 p.m. at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., with Pastor George McCarty officiating. Friends may call from 3 to 7 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home. Military rites will be provided by the Miami County Military Rites Unit. Burial will be in Mount Hope Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to Miami County Hospice.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, June 8, 2011

John "Johnny" W. Phelps III, 26, Peru, died at 11:13 p.m. Friday, June 3, 2011. He was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, on April 7, 1985 to John W. Phelps Jr. of Cincinnati, Ohio and Tina (Farmer) Phelps of Peru. Johnny was a student. He is survived by his parents; a son, Trinton Michael, Peru; his brothers, Ronald Farmer, Erlanger, Ky., Scott Kirby, Cincinnati, Ohio, and Damian Phelps, Peru; his sisters, Tina Farmer, Peru, Tiffany Warman, Hamilton, Ohio, and Jamie Warman, Hamilton, Ohio. He is also survived by several nieces and nephews. A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Friday at the Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., with Pastor Chris Duncan officiating. Friends may call from 10 a.m. until the time of service Friday at the funeral home. Love offering to the Johnny Phelps family may be made through the Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, June 10, 2011

Rebecca "Becky" Lynn Smith, 60, Macy, passed away on Wednesday afternoon, June 8, 2011 at St. Elizabeth East Hospital in Lafayette. Born March 12, 1951 in Rensselaer, she was the daughter of the late Chester Junior and Mary Ellen Bowman England. On June 19, 1971 in Wolcott she was married to Charles "Chuck" Dwight Smith, and he survives. She grew up in the Wolcott community and graduated from Wolcott High School in 1969. She was a member of the former Macy United Methodist Church and currently attended Liberty Baptist Church in Rochester. She was a member of the Allen Township Home Economics Club for 39 years and had served as the County Home Economics President in 1989. She helped with the Soars Reading Program at North Miami Elementary School. Along with her husband, she was active and enjoyed participating in events with several area tractor clubs. She was a bookkeeper and had worked in the community at several area businesses and churches. She is lovingly remembered by her husband, Chuck, and her three children Jeff Smith and his wife Nicole, Macy; Chris Smith and his wife Crystal, Denver along with their children, Caitlin and Caleb; and Jerry Smith and fiancé Heather Barrett, Deedsville along with their son, Wyatt; one sister, Connie Hughes and her husband Jerry, Crawfordsville; her mother-in-law, Ethel M. Smith, Bunker Hill. She is also survived by five nieces, four nephews, and several cousins. One sister, June Sheets and her husband Fred preceded her in death. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. on Monday, June 13, 2011 at McClain Funeral Home, Denver with Pastor Todd Kauffman officiating. Burial will be in Deedsville I.O.O.F. Cemetery. Friends may call from 2 to 8 p.m. on Sunday, June 12, 2011 at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to Macy Fire Auxillary or Allen Township Home Ec Club. The online guestbook can be signed at www.mcclainfh.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, June 11, 2011

Billie Frances Jones Overton, who was born on June 17, 1929 in Washington the daughter of Arnold J. Jones and Gertrude Jones, passed away on June 10, 2011 at 7:15 a.m. at Visiting Nurse Hospice in Fort Wayne. She is survived by her husband: Roland Keith Overton, Peru, whom she married on October 21, 1950 in Washington. She also leaves behind her children: Victoria L. Overton of Laguna Niguel, Calif., Deborah L. Barnes of Sarasota, Fla., William "Bill" K. Overton of Warsaw, and Matthew "Matt" A. Overton and wife Rebecca Spencer Overton of Peru; her grandchildren: Jacob W. Overton, Ashley N. Malott and Andrew R. Overton; her siblings, Eleanor Jones Sturgeon, Washington; Ina Jones Helphenstine, Washington; Marilyn Jones Hurt, Chicago, Ill.; and Deanna Jones Powers, Vincennes. She was preceded in death by her parents and her siblings: Delbert Jones, Orville Jones, Acel Jones, Mayme Jones Chapman, and Olive Jones Clements. The Reverend Billie Frances Jones Overton was a Minister and Evangelist for the International Deliverance Church of Dallas, Texas. She lived in Northern Miami County for more than 50 years. In her earlier years she taught Sunday School and ministered to those in need. She continued to offer prayer work throughout her life. Friends are invited to a Celebration of Life Service at First Assembly of God, 365 Monroe Ave, Peru at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, June 14, 2011 with Pastor John Thomas officiating. Burial will follow at Deedsville, I.O.O.F. Cemetery, near Deedsville. Visitation will be from 4-8:00 p.m. on Monday, June 13, 2011 at McClain Funeral Home, Denver and a half hour prior to the service on Tuesday at the church. The online guestbook can be signed at www.mcclainfh.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, June 11, 2011

Lori Ann Davis, 50, Westfield, passed away at 1 a.m. Wednesday, June 8, 2011 at Riverview Hospital, Nobelsville. She was born in Peru Oct. 7, 1960, the daughter of Terry L. and Betty Schoolman Amos. She was married to Robert Davis and he preceded her in death. Lori Ann was a 1979 graduate of Peru High School and was a mother and a homemaker. She is survived by her mother and stepfather Betty and Lawrence Hedges of Kokomo; her father and step-mother Terry and Alice Amos of Peru; two sons, Christopher Burton and James Burton of Westfield, and a daughter, Miranda Burton of Westfield; brothers, SFC Kirk Amos and his wife Mellisa of Ft. Bragg, NC and Clark Hedges of Greenwood; step-sisters Debra Draper and her husband Robert of Rachest, and Kathy Smith and her husband Mark of Tipton; step-brothers Gregory Sharp and his wife Diane of Peru and Derek Sharp and his wife Kimberly of Peru. She was preceded in death by her husband Robert and a step-brother Kent Hedges. Graveside services for Lori Ann Davis will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, June 14, 2011 at Saint John's Lutheran Cemetery, Peru with Pastor Kenneth Greenwald officiating. Family and friends will gather from 9 to 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main St., Peru. Condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Sunday, June 12, 2011

Charlotte M. McCrosky, 90, Rochester, died June 11, 2011. Service: 11 a.m. at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Visitation: 7 to 9 a.m. and one hour prior to service Saturday.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Sunday, June 12, 2011

Phyllis F. Wilson, 82, Peru, passed away at 12:39 a.m. Sunday, June 12, 2011 at Saint Joseph Hospital, Kokomo. She was born in Duncan Falls, Ohio, on Jan. 30, 1929 in the daughter of Maurice and Fern Harvey Wayne. Phyllis married Richard P. Wilson in Peru on Oct. 7, 1950 and he preceded her in death on Feb. 14, 2044. Phyllis was a graduate of Peru High School and an active member of the First Christian Church for many years. Phyllis and her husband Dick lovingly raised two children. She valued most her domestic life with family and was a loving wife, mother and grandmother. Phyllis had a passion for caring for the landscaping around their home. She loved the beauty of nature, the color of flowers and the song of birds. She is survived by her son, Jeffrey Wilson and his wife Connie of Mexico, a daughter, Lisa Brown of Charlotte, N.C., grandchildren Nicolette Wilson, Stephen Wilson, Blake Payton and Meridith Payton and a sister Jean Bowyer and her husband Clay of Peru. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Dick, and two brothers, Earl and Dean Wayne. A service celebrating the life of Phyllis F. Wilson will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, June 15, 2011 at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main St., Peru, with Pastor David Ross officiating. Burial will be in Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru. Family and friends will gather from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home. Memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to Miami County Helping Hands. Online condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, June 13, 2011

Eleanor Dickson Wentzel, 86, died at 5:41 a.m. June 11, 2011. Services will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday in Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 West 18th St., Rochester, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, June 13, 2011

Harold S. Butler, 85, Peru, died at 10:20 p.m. Sat., June 11, 2011, at the Life Care Center of Rochester. He was born Feb. 15, 1926, in Petersburg, Va. to John L. and Eva (Jerigan) Butler. He was married to Christine (Everson) Butler April 17, 1954 and she preceded him in death in 1999. He married Verla (Sallee) Butler Dec. 11, 2009 and she survives. Harold was retired from the U.S. Air Force and was a retired GM employee. He was a member of the American Legion, the Peru Manchore and the Moose. He is survived by a son, Mark Butler and his wife Janice, Nyona Lake; a daughter, Louise Meek and her husband Karl, Oklahoma City, Okla.; and his grandchildren, Jonathan Butler and Kristen Pritts. Also surviving are four stepchildren, 10 step-grandchildren, and 15 step-great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, his first wife Christine and a sister. A celebration of life will be held from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursday at the Peru Moose. At 6 p.m. there will be a Moose ritual service. Memorial donations may be made to the Hope Hospice. Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, June 13, 2011

Kenneth Andre Allen, 48, Rochester, died 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 10, 2011 at his residence. Services will be held at a later date. Good Family Funeral Home has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, June 13, 2011

Phyllis F. Wilson, 82, Peru, passed away at 12:39 a.m. Sunday, June 12, 2011 at Saint Joseph Hospital, Kokomo. She was born in Duncan Falls, Ohio, on Jan. 30, 1929, the daughter of Maurice and Fern Harvey Wayne. Phyllis married Richard P. Wilson in Peru on Oct. 7, 1950 and he preceded her in death on Feb. 14, 2004. Phyllis was a graduate of Peru High School and an active member of the First Christian Church for many years. Phyllis and her husband Dick lovingly raised two children. She valued most her domestic life with family and was a loving wife, mother and grandmother. Phyllis had a passion for caring for the landscaping around their home. She loved the beauty of nature, the color of flowers and the song of birds. She is survived by her son, Jeffrey Wilson and his wife Connie of Mexico, a daughter, Lisa Brown of Charlotte, N.C., grandchildren Nicolette Wilson, Stephen Wilson, Blake Payton and Meridith Payton and a sister Jean Bowyer and her husband Clay of Peru. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Dick, and two brothers, Earl and Dean Wayne. A service celebrating the life of Phyllis F. Wilson will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, June 15, 2011 at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main St., Peru, with Pastor David Ross officiating. Burial will be in Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru. Family and friends will gather from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home. Memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to Miami County Helping Hands. Online condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, June 15, 2011

James C. Ramsey, 78, Rochester, died 3:50 p.m. Sunday, June 12, 2011 at his residence. Private family services will be held, arranged by Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, June 15, 2011

John Brown, 77, Peru, died in his residence at 11:18 a.m. Tuesday, June 14, 2011. Funeral arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, June 15, 2011

Richard N. Hartleroad, 91, of Macy, passed away peacefully at 9:05 p.m. Sunday, June 12, 2011 at the Veterans Hospital in Marion. He was born in Peru on March 24, 1920 the son of Ray and Ruth Brenton Hartleroad. Richard married Anna Lee Drake on Sept. 20, 1948 and she preceded him in death on Nov. 22, 1992. As part of America's Greatest Generation, Richard

served in the U.S. Army during WWII. His military decorations include the Purple Heart, the Good Conduct Medal, the European African Middle Eastern Theatre Campaign Medal and the WWII Victory Medal. Richard was a retired plumbing and heating salesman. He is survived by his sons Richard Hartleroad and his wife Louise of Peru, Randall Hartleroad and his wife Donna of Ft. Wayne, and Voyle Hartleroad and his wife Helen of Butler; daughters Bernice Armstrong and her husband William of Arcadia, Fla., Jeanine Cripin and her husband Ben of Macy, Ramona Baldrige and her husband Mike of Rome City, and Latrisha Krantz and her husband Robert of Angola, 20 grandchildren, 36 great-grandchildren and six great-great-grandchildren. Also, surviving is a sister Ruth Ann Tollison, Winona Lake. He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Anna Lee and three brothers Ray, Robert and Joseph Hartleroad. A service celebrating the life of Richard N. Hartleroad will be held at 11 a.m., Thursday, June 16, 2011 at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 West Main Street, Peru, with Pastor Bill Weaver and Voyle Hartleroad officiating. Military graveside services will be held at 2 p.m., Thursday at the Butler Cemetery in Butler. Family and friends will gather from 6 to 8 p.m., Wednesday at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home. Memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to the United Cerebral Palsy of Indiana. Online condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, June 15, 2011

Shirley Hiatt, 74, Rochester, died 6 a.m. Tuesday, June 14, 2011. Service: 3 p.m. Saturday, Sunrise Chapel, Plymouth. Visitation: 3-8 p.m. Friday, Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester and one hour before service in the church.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, June 17, 2011

Randall "Randy" Jay White, 53, of Peru, went home to the Lord on Wednesday, June 15, 2011. He is the most beloved husband of Cynthia A. White. He was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents George and Ethel White, maternal grandparents Harry and June Zehring, father Jay White, brother David White, and his best friend Ralphie the hambone dog. Survivors include mother Janet White, sister Sherri Reyburn of Kokomo, and five children, son Matthew White and wife Ginny, daughter Heather Roberts and husband Bill, daughter Jessica Hulburt and husband Rex of Kokomo, son Ricky Hancock and wife Constance of Kokomo, daughter Kristianna White, five grandchildren Stephanie, Andrew, Jennifer, Garrett, and Maya, step mother Katherine White, one half-brother Bud White of Logansport, and two half-sisters Kathy Skiles and Theresa White both of Kokomo. The family would like to give special thanks to his friends (and nursemaids) Linda Howard, Jessica Boggs, Comer Webb, and Russell Hatton for being with Randy in his time of greatest need. Randy loved as he lived with a great passion for family and friends, camping, boating, fishing, and the ocean. You are all invited to join in the celebration of Randy's life on Saturday, June 18th between the hours of 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home. Services will be officiated by friend of Randy and of God, C.J. Steiner. Send memorials to: Love offering to the Randall "Randy" White family, through the Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, June 18, 2011

David Ewing McCarter, 51, formerly of Rochester, died. Service: 10 a.m. Friday, Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Visitation: 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday, one hour before service in the funeral home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, June 18, 2011

Mary Jane Fansler, 97, formerly of Rochester, died Friday, June 17, 2011 in her daughter's residence in Fortville. Graveside service at 2 p.m. Monday. Funeral arrangements entrusted to Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, June 18, 2011

Ronald R. Morris, 49, of Peru, Ind. passed away at 3:30 p.m., Tuesday, June 14, 2011 at his residence. He was born in Peru, Indiana, on June 23, 1962, the son of John Tom and Louise VanMeter Morris. Ron attended the Peru Grace Brethren Church and a graduate of Maconaquah High School. He discovered at an early age that he possessed the ability to fix or repair almost anything and this became his vocation with employment as a repairman at McKinney's, Mallow's and Climate Makers. He is survived by his mother and step-father Louise "Dot" and Lloyd Reiken of Peru, a sister Cheryl Webb of Peru, a step-sister Angela Hall of Wabash and a step-brother Tim Reiken of Spencer, Ind.. Several nieces and nephews also survive. A memorial service celebrating the life of Ronald R. Morris will be held at 11 a.m., Monday, June 20, 2011 at the Peru Grace Brethren Church, 430 South Broadway, Peru, Indiana with Pastor Dave Jodry officiating. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to the Peru Grace Brethren Church or the Gideon's. Arrangements have been entrusted to Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 West Main, Peru, Indiana. Condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, June 18, 2011

Rose M. Wagoner, 70, Rochester died 1:40 a.m. Wednesday, June 15, 2011. Service: 10 a.m. Monday, Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Visitation: 2 to 6 p.m. Sunday, one hour before service.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, June 18, 2011

William J. Christopher, 84, of Peru, passed away peacefully at his residence at 9:45 PM, Wednesday, June 15, 2011. He was born in Lafayette, Indiana on April 5, 1927 the son of Obediah and Gertrude Dennis Christopher. Bill married Janet Farrell in Oxford, Indiana on February 7, 1957 and she survives. Bill graduated from Otterbein High School and attended Ohio State University. He was a U.S. Army veteran where served as a cryptographer. Following release from the service, Bill served as manager of the grain elevator in Oxford, Indiana and farmed. He also was a Prudential Life Insurance agent and sales manager

for many years and owned and operated the Akron Pizzeria. Bill was a member of the First Presbyterian Church where he has served as an elder and deacon. He was a member of the Otterbein Masonic Lodge #561 and was the Past Master of the Oxford Masonic Lodge. Bill was an honorary life member of the Peru Maennechor, a member of the Valley of Indianapolis Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, a member of the Glen Owens American Legion Post #14 and the Peru Elks Lodge. He was named an Honorary Colonel in the Mississippi Militia by Mississippi Governor J. P. Coleman. An avid golfer, Bill has also served as the golf coach for the North Miami High School, and he enjoyed fishing. Bill was known for the warmth of his smile that would light up the room. He had an infectious love for life, family and friends. Surviving in addition to his wife of more than 54 years, Janet, is his son Kerry Christopher of Navarre, Florida, his daughters Gayle Christopher of Leeds, Alabama and Blythe DeOrive and her husband Aaron of Austin, Texas and a granddaughter Elena DeOrive. A memorial service celebrating the life of William J. Christopher will be held at 1:00 PM, Tuesday, June 21, 2011 at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 West Main St., Peru, Indiana. Friends may call at the funeral home 1 hour before the service on Tuesday. In lieu of flowers donations may be made through the funeral home to the Salvation Army. Online condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, June 20, 2011

Dean Gallahan, 85, of Peru, passed away at 2:30 a.m., Saturday, June 18, 2011 at Hope Hospice, Logansport Memorial Hospital. He was born in Miami County on Dec. 11, 1925, the son of Floyd and Isa Fishburn Gallahan. Dean married Mary Helms at the Church of the Brethren Parsonage in Mexico on Nov. 13, 1948 and she survives. Dean graduated from Jefferson Township High School, Mexico, in 1945 and entered into the U.S. Army. After his discharge from the service, Dean joined his brothers, Bun and Deloise in the operation of the Gallahan Brothers, which they established on the banks of the Eel River on February 26, 1946. In 1954, Dean and his wife Mary established the current Gallahan Oil Company. In 1967, the truckstop was built on U.S. 31, and in the early 70's three service stations were purchased in Peru. The Gallahan Oil Company has grown from a small service station to what it is today, due primarily to the hard work and efforts of Dean and Mary Gallahan, their family and loyal employees. Dean was a member Mexico Church of the Brethren and attended the Olive Branch Church of God. He was a member of the Peru American Legion Glen Owens Post #14, a 50 year member of the Mexico Masonic Lodge and past patron of the Vashi Chapter Order of the Eastern Star of Mexico. Surviving is his wife of more than 62 years, Mary, his children Jeri Lyn Smith and husband Randy of Akron, Lance Gallahan and wife Carrie of Peru, Kevin Gallahan and wife Laura of Peru, Lori "Bugs" Laycock and husband Jeff of Peru, a brother, Russell (Bun) Gallahan and his wife Cheravee of Peru, grandchildren, Betsy Hiffner and her husband Barry, Casey Smith, Sally Nixon and her husband Josh, Taralyn Gallahan, Allison Gallahan, Kyle Gallahan, Sarah Gallahan, Keegan Laycock and his wife Nikki and Shea Laycock, and great-grandchildren, Lucas Hiffner, Nathan Dean Hiffner, Dash Nixon, Crew Nixon and Delaney Roseberry. He was preceded in death by his parents, a sister, Vera Rademaker and brothers, Harold Gallahan and Edward "Deloise" Gallahan. A service celebrating the life of Dean Gallahan will be 11 a.m. Wednesday, June 22, 2011 at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main St., Peru, with Pastor Lowell Burrus and Pastor Ron Laudenschlager officiating. Burial will be at Greenlawn Cemetery, IN. Family and Friends will gather from 3-8 p.m. Tuesday at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to Hope Hospice or Ovar Coming Together for ovarian cancer research. Condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, June 20, 2011

A memorial service will be held for **Donal Elman Zentz**, 90, who was called to his eternal rest in Heaven on Jan. 1, 2011. The service will be held on June 26, 2011, at 2:30 p.m. at the Saint John Lutheran Church, 181 W. Main St., Peru, Ind. A visitation and meal will be held in the Saint John Fellowship Hall after the burial in the Lutheran Cemetery, Peru, Ind., and all family, friends and acquaintances are invited. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Saint John Lutheran Church in Donal's memory. Cremation arrangements are under the direction of the Dowden Funeral Home, Sebring, Fla.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, June 20, 2011

John Daniel Brown died at 11:18 a.m. Tuesday, June 14, 2011 at his residence. He was born April 14, 1934 in Winona, Minn. to Clifford and Mary Brown. John was married Oct. 18, 1980 on the fourth tee at Rolling Green's Golf Course to Victoria Prather Holland, who survives. John served in the U.S. Air Force from 1952 to 1956. He moved from Minnesota to Indiana in 1963. He lived and worked in Fort Wayne and Peru at Square D. Company before moving to Shelbyville in 1988, where he worked for Indiana Cash Drawer and Gencorp. In 1996 he retired and in 1999 John moved back to Peru after becoming visually impaired. John was passionate about the game of golf, having set a course record in Winona and being blessed with four holes in one. And He could visualize every hole he had ever played. John is survived by his loving family: children, Matt (Jill) Brown, Ft. Wayne, Doug (Denise) Brown, Spencerville, Mark (Patty) Brown, Cary, Ill., Sharon (Dave) Hallock, Fort Wayne, Sheila Brown, Fort Wayne, Chris (Pam) Holland, Peru, Mark (Heather) Holland, Marion, Kelly (Bryan) Eyman, Fort Wayne, and Karol (Rick) Sandefur, Peru; grandchildren, Kyle (Katey) Brown, Kelsey Brown, Madison Brown, Lydia Brown, Andy Fremion, Kate Conner, Chelsea Hallock, Adam Brown, Allison Brown, Dylan Brown, Ryan Stephens, Brandon Stephens, Alex Brown, Selina Madden, Samuel Brown, Nataleigh Brown, Nathaniel Brown, Brooke Holland and Will Sommers, Joshua Holland and Brittany Curry, Crystal Graves, Robert Huston, Aaron (Marisabelle) Huston, Jessica Holland, Amber Holland, Lelon Holland, Rocklyn Holland, Mason Hall, Hunter Runkle, Zachery Eyman, Cameron Eyman, Dylan Eyman, Jerry Howard, Wade Howard and Sarah Phillips, and Matt Sandefur; sisters, Waneta (Lloyd) Rodrigue, McGregor,

Minn., and Dorothy (Bud) Meador, Bella Vista, Ark. Also surviving are several great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, six siblings and his son Jason A. Brown and his grandson Jonathan Holland. Funeral services will be held at The Lord's Fellowship Church, 51 Jefferson Ave., Peru, on June 24 at noon, with Pastor Robert Engle officiating. Military rites will be performed at the church. Following the funeral friends and family may gather at the Peru Maennerchor, 154 S. Wabash St. Memorial contributions may be sent to The Lord's Fellowship Church or Southern Care Hospice, 2985 S. Webster St., Kokomo, Ind., 46902. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, June 20, 2011

Landen Lee Rairigh, Peru, was stillborn at 11:20 p.m. Saturday, June 18, 2011 at Dukes Memorial Hospital. Funeral arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, June 20, 2011

Lauren Taylor Earnest, stillborn, died 11:30 a.m., Saturday, June 18, 2011 at Howard Regional Hospital, Kokomo. She was born Saturday, June 18 in Kokomo to James and Cara (Lawler) Earnest, Peru. She is survived by her parents, maternal grandparents James and Debbie Lawler, Brownsville, Ky.; maternal grandmother Len Reeve, New Braunfels, Texas; paternal grandparents Steve and Madaline Hawkins, Peru; paternal grandparents James and Marge Earnest, Dayton, Ohio; brothers James Christopher Earnest and Andrew Rylan Earnest; as well as several aunts, uncles and cousins. A graveside service will take place 11 a.m. Tuesday, June 21 at Memorial Lawns Cemetery, 11000 Manchester Ave., Wabash, with Sr. Pastor Solomon David presiding. There will be no visitation. Love offering may be made to the Allen Funeral Home. Arrangements entrusted to the Allen Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, June 20, 2011

Mary "Lucy" McCord, 82, passed away Saturday morning, June 18, 2011 at IU Health Ball Memorial Hospital. She was born on Dec. 27, 1928 in Anderson, the daughter of Lemual and Lelia (Vaughn) Foutch, moved to Muncie as a child, graduated from Royerton High School, and married Richard F. McCord in 1948. Mrs. McCord was employed at Essex Wire (United Technologies) in Peru for over 30 years prior to her retirement. Surviving are two sons, Richard M. McCord (wife, Chris), Valparaiso and Timothy L. McCord, Peru; her daughter-in-law, Roberta "Robbie" McCord, Fishers; six grandchildren; seven great grandchildren; sisters-in-law, Nancy McCord, Janet Paul, Phyllis Fecher, and Betty Harold; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; her son, Terry G. McCord; two sisters, Irene Van Gilder and Betty Denney; and two brothers, Clarence E. Foutch and Elmer "Don" Foutch; and a sister-in-law, Rosemary Elton. Graveside services will be held at 3 p.m. on Monday, June 20, 2011 in Mt. Tabor Cemetery with Minister Frankie Pilley officiating. The Meeks Mortuary and Crematory, Washington Street Chapel is in charge of arrangements. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.meeksmortuary.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, June 20, 2011

Michael Alan Hale, 39, Peru, died at 5:45 p.m. Sunday, June 19, 2011. He was diagnosed Jan. 31, 2011 and died from renal cancer. He was born in Peru June 4, 1972 to Clyde and Maude E. (Fincher) Hale. He married Beth Ann Holy on Aug. 24, 1990, and she survives. Michael served in the U.S. Navy from 1990 to 1996. He was formerly a dispatcher for the Indiana State Police for 11 and a half years, and a former dispatcher for Cass County Central, Miami County Central and the Indiana Department of Natural Resources. He enjoyed his dispatching jobs and serving the community. He enjoyed Dr. Who (it's a television series since 1963). He is survived by his wife, Beth; his daughters, Sydney and Alanna Hale, both of Peru; and a sister, Donna (Thomas) Cook, Peru. Also surviving are several nieces, nephews and cousins. Michael was preceded in death by his parents. A memorial service will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday, June 23, 2011 at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., with Pastor Tony Winter officiating. Burial of Michael's ashes will be in Santa Fe Cemetery, Miami County. Friends may call from 4 p.m. until the time of service at the funeral home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, June 22, 2011

Landen Lee Rairigh was born and gained his wings at 11:20 p.m. on Saturday, June 18, 2011. He was born at Dukes Memorial Hospital, to Cory Gene Rairigh and Kyla Michelle (Bell) Barker of Peru. Surviving are his maternal grandparents John and Mary Bell, Crown Point, Ind., and Linda Bell, Peru. His paternal grandparents are Gene and Renate Rairigh, Peru. He has one brother, Braden Barker and a sister Chloe Barker at home. A private service will be held later. Burial will be at Mount Hope Cemetery in Peru. Friends may call Thursday from noon to 1 p.m. at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 West Third St., Peru.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, June 22, 2011

Michael Alan Hale, 39, Peru, died at 5:45 p.m. Sunday, June 19, 2011. He was diagnosed Jan. 31, 2011 and died from renal cancer. He was born in Peru June 4, 1972 to Clyde and Maude E. (Fincher) Hale. He married Beth Ann Holy on Aug. 24, 1990, and she survives. Michael served in the U.S. Navy from 1990 to 1996. He was formerly a dispatcher for the Indiana State Police for 11 and a half years, and a former dispatcher for Cass County Central, Miami County Central and the Indiana Department of Natural Resources. He enjoyed his dispatching jobs and serving the community. He enjoyed Dr. Who (it's a television series since 1963). He is survived by his parents; his wife, Beth; his daughters, Sydney and Alanna Hale, both of Peru; and a sister, Donna (Thomas) Cook, Peru. Also surviving are several nieces, nephews and cousins. A memorial service will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday, June 23, 2011 at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., with Pastor Tony Winter

officiating. Burial of Michael's ashes will be in Santa Fe Cemetery, Miami County. Friends may call from 4 p.m. until the time of service at the funeral home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, June 23, 2011

Cynthia Sue Flinn, 63, of Hot Springs Village, Ark. died Monday, June 20, 2011 at an area hospital. She was born Jan. 22, 1948 in Peru to Neal and Adrienne Flinn. She was predeceased by her father and grandparents, Harlan and Sue Means of Peru, and Vernon and Ertie Flinn of Yuba City, Calif. Survivors include: son, David Makin, Peru; mother, Adrienne Flinn, Hot Springs Village; sister, Pam (Roger) Curtis, Hot Springs; brother, Tim Flinn, Hot Springs Village; and her beloved cats, Eli, Isaac, Mufasa and Cheezer. A private family memorial service will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to: The Memphis School of Preaching, 3950 Forest Hill Irene Road, Memphis, Tenn. 38125; Church of Christ, P.O. Box 92, Jessieville, Ark. 71949; or Charitable Christian Medical Clinic, 133 Arbor Street, Hot Springs, Ark. 71901. Arrangements are under the care of Caruth Village Funeral Home; guests may register at www.caruth-hale.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, June 23, 2011

Eula J. Eikenberry, 84, Peru, passed away June 22, 2011 at Miller's Merry Manor. She was born May 13, 1927 to Clara M. (Jackson) and Guy T. Cunningham near Peoria, Indiana. She married Dallas D. Eikenberry on September 23, 1945. He survives. Eula Jean spent most of her school years in Butler Township, moving to Peru with her parents for her senior year, graduating in 1945. During her senior year she worked as a waitress in the Bearas Hotel Dining room in Peru. After graduating she worked for two years assembling the original Bubble Lights. Most of her working career was as the Postmaster of the Chili Post Office, which with the help of her husband, Dallas, was moved to their home in 1962. She retired from the Post Office in 1988. She was quite active in the community activities, helping with the community dinners which supplied the funds to operate the street lights in Chili, since Chili was not an incorporated town. She also organized the collection of money for funeral flowers and helped serve funeral dinners that were held at the Chili United Methodist Church, where she and her husband attended as well as served as custodians for 23 years. She enjoyed singing in the Church choir. She was however, a member of the Denver Brethren Church. She also served on the Election Board, volunteered for the American Tuberculosis Association and was a census taker for Richland Township. She also served as a Pink Lady at Dukes Memorial Hospital for a number of years. Her passion was sewing. She was an expert seamstress and tailor. Many brides in Chili and the surrounding area wore her dresses for their special day including her daughter, Trudy. For that special day she not only made the gown for her daughter, but also 4 attendants, her own dress and several dresses for Trudy's trousseau. She was happiest sewing. She also was a very accomplished alterations person. There were numerous customers surrounding the Chili area who relied on her expertise. In addition to her sewing talents, she was a fabulous cook and baker. Her fried potatoes, pumpkin and pecan pies could not be beaten. Gardening was an outlet of joy for her with green beans, tomatoes, corn and peas being canned or frozen in large quantities for the winter pantry. Prior to her daughter being old enough to drive the tractor and assist with field work on the farm, she did that as well. She was a follower of Purdue Basketball, especially the Lady Boilermakers when their games were televised. She also loved the PMO Christmas Shows that were given each year at Purdue. In 1965-66, the Eikenberry's sponsored the American Field Service student for North Miami. Maria Castro-Hidalgo of San Jose, Costa Rica spent her senior year learning about America and Indiana. She too benefited from Eula Jean's sewing talents by going home with much more luggage that she had arrived with 10 months earlier. She enjoyed traveling. A trip to Michigan and the Dakotas with Maria; trips to Washington, D.C., the Blue Ridge Mountains area, the entire Eastern coast were just a few of the journeys they made in the states. Trips to Switzerland and a Caribbean cruise were also enjoyed. However, the trips most enjoyed were the simple Sunday afternoon jaunts around Miami and surrounding counties. Following her two grandsons, Nelson's (Rushville) and Clinton's (Indianapolis) activities through Rushville High School, Purdue University and later their adult careers kept her busy too. They survive as does her daughter Trudy Reese and son-in-law Raymond who live on the family farm near Denver. She is survived by her two sisters, Mary Lou Sommers, Peru and Anita Sprinkle, Bunker Hill and numerous nieces and nephews. She is also survived by her very favorite grand-dog, Holly. She was preceded in death by her parents, a nephew and two grand nephews. A service celebrating the life of Eula Jean Eikenberry will be held at 10:30 a.m., Saturday, June 25, 2011 at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 West Main, Peru with the Rev. George McCarty officiating. Burial will be in the Chili Cemetery. Family and friends will gather from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial donations be made to the Guardian Angels Hospice of Kokomo.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, June 23, 2011

Frank L. Mills, 84, Peru, passed away at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 21, 2011 at Dukes Memorial Hospital, Peru. He was born in Peru on Oct. 5, 1926, the son of Bert L. and Mary F. (Welsh) Mills. He married Janette A. Wilson on Oct. 3, 1952 and she survives. Frank graduated from Peru High School in 1947, He attended Saint Charles Catholic Church and was a retired salesman of Insurance and Industrial Products. He was a Life member of Peru Maennerchor, a member of the Peru Masonic Lodge and past president of the Men's Golf Association. He is survived by his wife, daughter Lorna Mills and her companion, Pat Buffington, Peru, son Michael Mills, Peru, four grandchildren, Joshua (wife Nicole) Mills, Elizabeth, Ind., Frank Mills, Franklin, Tenn., Samuel Mills, Franklin, Tenn., Grace Mills, Franklin, Tenn., and one great grandchild due in November. He was preceded in death by his parents. A funeral service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, June 25, 2011 at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 West Third St., Peru with the Rev. Francis Kilcline officiating. Burial will be at Mt. Hope Cemetery, Peru.

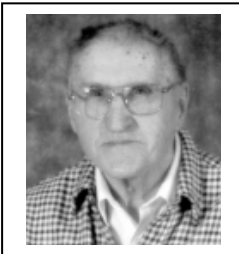
Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. There will be a Masonic Service at 8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, June 23, 2011

Richard R. Ranucci, 86, Peru, died at 1:50 p.m. Wednesday, June 22, 2011 at Miller's Merry Manor, Peru. Funeral arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, June 24, 2011

Richard R. "Ric" Ranucci, 86, Peru, died at 1:50 a.m. Wednesday, June 22, 2011 at Millers Merry Manor Nursing Home, Peru. He was born in Binghamton, New York, on October 21, 1924 to Ermindo and Anna (Stripe) Ranucci. He married Joan Monahan, his wife and best friend for 56 years, on March 14, 1955 and she survives. Richard retired from the U.S. Air Force after 23 years of military service. During WWII he served with the fourth marine division in the battle of Rio and Namur, Saipan and Iwo Jima. Also, he served in Korea from 1946 to 1950 with the second marine division and received the Korean Service Medal. He was a member of VFW Post # 2067. Richard is survived by his wife, Joan; his son, Rick Ranucci, of Carmel; his grandchildren, Jessica Ranucci, of Worchester, Mass., Mark Ranucci, of Carmel, and Jack Ranucci, of Carmel; the mother of his grandchildren, Kathleen St. Louis and her husband, Dale, of Carmel; a brother, Armand Ranucci, of Binghamton, New York; and a brother-in-law, Gerald Monahan and his wife, Joanne, of Homosassa, Fla. He was preceded in death by both parents, and two brother-in-laws, Jimmy and Michael Monahan. A memorial service will be held at 8 p.m. Saturday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, with the Rev. Father Francis Kilcline officiating. Friends may call Saturday from 4 p.m. until the time of serve at 8 p.m. at the funeral home. A private mass memorial service will be held at a later date. Memorial donations may be made to the Knowing Family Pavilion through the funeral home.



Harley Monroe Schmidt 1919 ~ 2011 Harley Monroe Schmidt, 91, of Pleasant Grove, Utah, formerly of Peru, Indiana, passed away peacefully at home surrounded by his family on June 24, 2011. He was born November 12, 1919 in Peru, Indiana to August and Anna Schmidt. He was the youngest of 10 children. Harley grew up in Peru and graduated from Peru High School in 1938. He married Frances Elaine Denton on June 25, 1941; they were sealed in the Salt Lake Temple in 1950. Frances died in 2001, and his death reunites them one day before their 70th wedding anniversary. Harley loved Peru, Indiana and lived there for 82 years. He was a conductor on the Amtrak and C & O Railroads for 35 years, working the Cincinnati and Chicago routes. He shared with his family his love for fishing, baseball, basketball, and football. Upon retirement he turned his efforts to genealogy and family

history. He worked tirelessly for the last 26 years of his life linking families together. Vacations were spent visiting his family in Utah. He was a life long devoted member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and served faithfully. Harley is survived by his children, Andrea McCann, Orem, UT; Stan (Karla) Schmidt, Orem, UT; John (Lisa) Schmidt, Saratoga Springs, UT; Steve (Kristy) Schmidt, Whitewater, CO; Dave (Terri) Schmidt, Bluffdale, UT; Chris (Lorie) Schmidt, Trophy Club, TX; Karyle (Bart) Adams, Pleasant Grove, UT; 33 grandchildren and 54 great grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his wife, daughter, Elaine and son-in-law, Dale McCann. Funeral services will be held Monday, June 27, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. at the Orchard Ward Chapel, 828 South Locust Ave, Pleasant Grove, UT. Family and friends may attend a viewing Sunday, June 26, 2011 from 6-8 p.m. at Olpin Family Mortuary, 494 South 300 East, Pleasant Grove, UT and at the church one hour prior to services on Monday. Interment will be in the Mount Hope Cemetery in Peru, Indiana. Condolences may be sent to the family www.olpinmortuary.com - Published in Deseret News on June 25, 2011

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Catherine Wolfe, 80, Peru, died 8 p.m., Friday, June 24, 2011, at her daughter's residence. She was born March 17, 1931 in Estill County, Ky., the daughter of Millard and Rosa (Crabb) Smith. She married Floyd P. Wolfe May 27, 1949. He preceded her in death July 12, 2009. Catherine was a retired press operator from United Technology. She is survived by her children, Floyd E. Wolfe, Peru, Cherie (Mike) Sparks, Peru, and Tammy Gardner, Indianapolis; nine grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, 17 brothers and sisters and two grandchildren, Tosha Marie Hudson and Steward Kelly Wolfe. Funeral service will be 1 p.m. Wednesday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral home with Pastor Jeff Tinney officiating. Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home. Burial will be in Mt. Hope Cemetery.

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Mrs. Linda McGlothlin, 66, Rochester, passed away Friday, June 24, 2011. Services: 10 a.m., Tuesday, June 28, at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Visitation is from 4-8 p.m. on Monday.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, June 27, 2011

Ralph McQuinn, 34, Macy, died 1:34 p.m., Saturday, June 25, 2011, at Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne. He was born March 22, 1977, the son of Ralph and Peggy (Browning) McQuinn. He attended Macy Christian Church and enjoyed hunting, four-wheeling, playing cards and going to auctions with his dad. He loved his dog PONGA and had two best friends, Noah Welsh of Macy and Jordan O'Neal of Logansport. He is survived by his parents; brother James McQuinn, Peru; sisters Erin (Doug) Gray, Winchester, Jessica (Matthew) Corn, Elwood, Jennifer Keller, Macy, and Maureen Butt, Macy; his grandpa Jim Browning, Denver; and 10 nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Harges and Fannie McQueen,

and his grandma, Eileen Browning. Funeral service will be 10 a.m. Tuesday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, with Pastor David Welsh officiating. Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Monday at the funeral home. Burial will be in Plainview Cemetery, Macy. Love offering may be made to Flowers-Leedy to assist the family with funeral expense.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, July 5, 2011



Eric Scott (Azbell) Trexler, 38, Peru, died about 1 p.m. on Thursday, June 30, 2011. He was born in Wabash on Feb. 3, 1973. He is survived by his parents, Craig and Beth Bruce; his grandmother, Lucile Bruce, Denver, Colo.; his sister and brother-in-law Lori and Jake Williams, and two nieces, Kayliana and Lexi Williams; his uncle David "Bud" Beck, and his aunts Barbara Miller, Sandy Howard, Pam Schrock, Linda Kline and Maribeth Wides. Preceding Eric in death were his beloved grandparents Robert C. and Mabel Azbell, and his step-grandmother, Mildred Azbell, aunt Carol Trexler, uncles Ronald C. Beck, Jim Trexler and Kim Trexler. Eric was a devoted Colts' fan, loved to fish or shoot a game of disc golf with his friends. He loved to spend time with his family and friends, and posted many messages about God's love for him and his love for God on his Facebook page. A memorial service will take place to honor and to celebrate Eric's life at the Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home at 11 a.m. on Thursday, July 7, 2011.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, July 6, 2011

Harry E. Morrow, 66, Bunker Hill, died at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, July 3, 2011 at Blair Ridge in Peru. He was born in Kokomo on April 10, 1945 to Harry M. and Florabella (Alexander) Morrow Harrington. Harry served in the U.S. Army and worked for Chrysler. He was involved in the Bunker Hill and Kokomo Little League. He enjoyed golf, restoring old cars, movies, racing and was active with the Ole Olson Plays. He also enjoyed spending time with family and friends. He is survived by his stepfather, Gordon Harrington, Peru; his daughters, Kelly VanMeter and husband Dan, Kokomo, and Laura Hughes and husband Jake, Peru; his stepdaughter, Amy Turner and husband Jim, Kokomo; his grandchildren, Tyler Hughes and Ian VanMeter; and his step-grandchildren, Morgan Turner and Madison Turner; his brothers, Tom Morrow, Kokomo, Mike Morrow, Kokomo, Jeff Harrington, Kokomo, and Brian Harrington, Kokomo; and his sisters, Vickie Brewer, Mount Sterling, Ohio, Pam Cook, Kokomo, Sandy Kushner, Beaver Creek, Ohio, Debbie Ploughe, Kokomo, and Sandy Madden, Kokomo. He is also survived by Ash Noble, Grapevine, Texas, who was like a son. He was preceded in death by his parents. Graveside services will take place at 10 a.m. Friday in the Springdale Cemetery, Bunker Hill, officiated by family. Military rites will be performed by the Miami County Military Rites Unit. Friends may call from 3 to 7 p.m. Thursday at the Allen Funeral Home, 136 S. Elm St., Bunker Hill.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, July 6, 2011

Maxine Smith, 87, 1535 Monroe Street, Rochester, passed away at 11:15 a.m. Monday, July 4, 2011 at Life Care Center of Rochester. She was born on Jan. 14, 1924 in Fulton County, the daughter of Russell H. and Esther (Donaldson) Smith. She was a 1942 graduate of Fulton High School. Ms. Smith retired from the former Torin Corp. in Rochester. She was a member of the Macy Christian Church, Macy, where she sang in the choir and had been a Sunday school teacher for many years. She enjoyed making quilts, gardening, stamp collecting, feeding the birds on her patio, crossword puzzles and reading non-fiction books. Survivors include her sister, Romaine Wentzel, Kewanna; brothers, Phillip E. and wife Donna Smith, Rochester, and Robert F. Smith, Rochester; several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents and sister, Marian Miller, in 1981. Services will be conducted at 10 a.m. Thursday, July 7, 2011 at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with the Rev. Dave Welsh officiating. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Wednesday and one hour prior to service at the funeral home. Burial will be in the Plainview Cemetery, Macy. Memorial contributions may be made to the Macy Christian Church or to the donor's favorite charity. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, July 6, 2011

Phyllis Jean Miller, 79, Kokomo died at 9:12 p.m. July 3, 2011 at her home. She was born in Howard County April 19, 1932 to Jesse and Edith (Pavey) Wright. On May 14, 1949 in Kokomo she was married to Glen R. Miller by the Rev. Everett Nixon. Glen Survives. She attended Russiaville High School. Phyllis was a homemaker and enjoyed babysitting for several children through the years. Phyllis loved the Lord. She attended First Church of the Nazarene, where she enjoyed participating in church activities. The love of her life was loving her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. She looked forward to her monthly outings with her friends and eating lunch with her sisters. She will be remembered for always putting others before herself. Survivors include her husband of 62 years, Glen Miller; her sons, David Miller of Kokomo, Steve (Barbara) Miller of Burlington, Randy Miller of Kokomo, Tim (Mary) Miller, Bunkerhill; 11 grandchildren, Chase Miller, Janelle Miller, Justin Miller, Ryan Miller, Kevin Miller, Brad Miller, Barry Miller, Brandon Miller, Blake Miller, Stephanie (Zach) Overman, Zachary Miller; 11 great grandchildren, Jakob, Grace, Reese, Ethan, Landon, Blake, Hudson, Maci, Miley, Lillie, Mia; three sisters, Alma Newby of New London, Thelma (Merton) Stanley of Carmel, Rosemary (George) Wisheart of Russiaville and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, three sisters, Reba Borgan, Carol Durr, Gertrude Waters and nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Thursday, July 7, 2011 at Shirley & Stout Funeral Home, Lincoln Road Chapel, 1315 West Lincoln Road, with Pastors David Leeder and Stan Zurcher officiating. Entombment will follow in Sunset Memory Gardens Cemetery. Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home. Memorial contributions

may be made to the First Church of the Nazarene. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home. Messages of condolence may be left online at www.stoutandson.com.



Peru Tribune -Thursday, July 7, 2011 3:12 AM EDT

Darl G. Mygrant, 65, Macy, passed away at 12:30 a.m. Wednesday, July 6, 2011 at Logansport Memorial Hospital. He was born on May 11, 1946 in Amboy, the son of Ralph and Lucille Sommers Mygrant. Darl married Sharon Kneram on Sept. 6, 1975 in Peru and she survives. A 1965 graduate of Oak Hill High School, Darl was a member of the Old Cross Road Baptist Church, Gilead. A U.S. Army veteran, Darl was a paratrooper and served in Vietnam. His military decorations include the National Defense Service Medal, the Parachute Badge, the Vietnam Service Medal, the Vietnam Campaign Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, the Army Good Conduct Medal, the Combat Infantryman Badge, and the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Ribbon. He was a member of the Rochester American Legion, the VFW Post #1343, the Moose Lodge #1107, the Howard County Vietnam Veterans Association and the Peru Maennerchor. He was a former member of the Amboy Volunteer Fire Department and the Boy Scouts. He was employed by Chrysler Corp. for 37 years and worked 6 years for the Miami Correctional Facility. Surviving in addition to his wife Sharon, are sons, Richard (Geneva) Pierce of Chicago, Ill., Norman (Lisbeth) Pierce of Macy; daughters, Michelle (Eric) Dickey of Somerset and Robin (Kerry) Milligan of Memphis; a sister, Nancy (David) Moore, Rochester; brothers, Ron (Betty) Mygrant of West Palm Beach, Fla.; David (Connie) Mygrant, Rochester, and Keith (Sheila) Mygrant of Santa Fe; a sister-in-law, Carol Mygrant of Sherman, Texas; grandchildren, Ashley (Brock) Nehr, Trevor Dickey, Lauren Dickey, Kyle Dickey, Kalib Milligan, Josh Milligan, Elizabeth Pierce and great-grandchildren Braylin Nehr and Brodie Nehr. He was preceded in death by his parents, and a brother, Larry Mygrant. A service celebrating the life of Darl G. Mygrant will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, July 9, 2011 at the Amboy United Methodist Church, 202 E. Pennsylvania Ave., Amboy, with Pastor Thad Stewart and Pastor Matthew Trexler officiating. Burial will be in Clymers Cemetery with military rites provided by the Miami County Military Rites Unit. Family and friends will gather from 2 to 4 p.m. and from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday at the Laird-Eddy Fuenral Home, 201 N. Main St., Amboy. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to Rochester Hope Hospice, the Amboy Volunteer Fire Department or the Old Cross Baptist Church, Gilead. Online condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Donald Thomas Stone, 92, North Manchester, died at 6:05 a.m. Tuesday, July 5, 2011 at the Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne. He was born in Lagro, Wabash County to Thomas Henry and Laura Etta (Troxel) Stone. He married (Marilyn) Jean Kintner on May 27, 1951 and she survives. Donald retired in 1986 from Peru Community Schools after 28 years as head of the math department. Prior to that he taught at Bunker Hill High School and various other high schools during his 42 year teaching career. He also spent several years as a salesman in the Indianapolis area for Standard Oil. He served in the U.S. Army-Air Corp from 1941 until 1945 and was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross and Air Service Medal. Donald was a member of the Manchester Church of the Brethren. He graduated from Lagro High School in 1937 and attended Manchester College from 1938 to 1941. He graduated from Manchester College in 1947 with a bachelor of art degree in mathematics and earned a master of science in education from Purdue University. He was a member of the Peru Lions Club, Wabash County Retired Teachers Association, North Manchester Historical Society, Wabash County Genealogical Society, and the Eighth Air Force 487 Bomb Group Historical Society. He was a former member of the Peru Church of the Brethren where he served as treasurer and deacon for 24 years. He enjoyed camping, traveling with family and woodworking. He is survived by his wife; sons, Karl (Elaine) Stone, Gettysburg, Penn. and Jon (Sandra) Stone, Emerald Island, N.C.; daughters, Beverly (Charles) Malooley, Bloomington, Kathryn (Charles) McCarty, Avon, Edith Stone, North Manchester, and Jill (Richard) Spenner, Roanoke; sisters, and Ruth Ellen Stone, North Manchester and Emmalou (Robert) Rice, Lagro. He is also survived by 15 grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, a daughter, two brothers and a sister. A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Friday in the Manchester Church of the Brethren, 1306 Beckley St., North Manchester, with Pastor Karen Eberly and the Rev. Joan Deeter officiating. Friends and family may call from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Friday at the Manchester Church of the Brethren. Burial will take place in the Hopewell Cemetery, Lagro. Memorials may be made to the Manchester Church of the Brethren, 1306 Beckley St., North Manchester, Ind., 46962 or Heifer Project International, P.O. Box 8085, Little Rock, Ariz. Arrangements entrusted to McKee Mortuary, North Manchester. Condolences may be sent to mckeemortuary.com.



Janet I. Fry, 85, Greentown, died at 7 p.m. Tuesday, July 5, 2011 at Century Villa Healthcare, Greentown. She was born May 23, 1926 in Greentown to Merl and Zera (Cassell) Loman. She married Alfred Stanton "Buck" Enyart May 26, 1944 in Greentown and he preceded her in death on May 13, 1971. She then married Raymond Otto Fry in 1976 and he preceded her in death in 2002. Janet was a homemaker. She graduated from Mreentown High School in 1944 and attended Salem Christian Church in Miami County. She was very active in the Over the Hill bowling league and enjoyed bicycling. She is survived by her children, David (Mary Faith) Enyart, Severyville, Tenn., Steven (Debra) Enyart, Converse, Donald (Audrey) Enyart, Pentwater, Mich., and Judy (Danny) Hanners, Duluth, Ga.; 12 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; her sister, Phyllis (George) Gerstorff, Greentown, and several nieces and nephews. Janet was preceded in death by her parents; her first husband, Alfred Stanton "Buck" Enyart; her second

husband, Raymond Otto Fry; her son, Russel Enyart; her brothers, Lyle Loman, Harold Loman and Bob Loman; and a sister,

Joan Sutton. A funeral service will be held at noon Friday at Hasler and Stout Funeral Home, 112 E. Main St., Greentown, with Pastor John Rhodes officiating. Burial will take place in Greenlawn Cemetery, Greentown. Friends may call from 10 a.m. until the time of service on Friday at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to the Kokomo Human Society. Arrangements are being handled by Hasler and Stout Funeral Home, Greentown. Online condolences can be made at www.hasler-stout.com.

Monday, July 11, 2011 3:10 AM EDT

Bernice I. Garbert, 98, of Galveston, died Saturday, July 9, 2011 at 4:55 p.m. at Waterford Place Health Campus in Kokomo. She was born March 29, 1913 in Miami to Oscar and Nona (Lawrence) Rickard. Her foster parents were Joe McGowan and Emma McGowan Cook. She married Glenn (Shorty) Garbert Dec. 23, 1934 and he preceded her in death Aug. 8, 1999. Bernice was a homemaker. She was a member of Otterbein United Methodist Church, and was very active at the church. She enjoyed cooking, flowers, gardening and loved the farm life. She is survived by her sister, Melverine Gruber, Delphi, and several nieces and nephews. Bernice was preceded in death by her parents and husband, four brothers and three sisters.

A funeral service will take place at noon Wednesday at Murray Weaver Funeral Home in Galveston, with the Rev. Ed Brock and the Rev. Paul Sutherland officiating. Burial will be in Galveston Cemetery, Galveston. Friends and family may call from 10 a.m. until service time Wednesday, July 13, at the funeral home. Memorial donations may be made to the Galveston Ambulance Service, courtesy of the Galveston Volunteer Fire Department. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.murrayweaverfuneralhome.com.

Monday, July 11, 2011

Richard N. Hutchison, 81, Peru, died at 6 a.m. Sunday, July 10, 2011 at his residence. Funeral arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Monday, July 11, 2011

Richard N. Hutchison, 81, Peru, died at 6 a.m. Sunday, July 10, 2011 at his residence. He was born Oct. 29, 1929 in Hinton, W. Va. to Oscar and Thelma (Wykal) Hutchison. He married Carol Tyler on Oct. 5, 1985 and she survives. Richard served in the U.S. Navy during WWII and retired as an engineer from the C/O Railroad after 35 years. He is survived by his wife; his daughters, Phyllis (Sidney) Byrne, Virginia, Kim (Scott) Hofton, Virginia, and Sandra (Brad) Sherwin, Peru; his sons, Lester (Peggy) Burnett, Peru, and Todd (Jackie) Burnett, Gilead; a brother, Bill Hutchison, West Virginia; and a sister, Nancy Ford, South Carolina. He is also survived by 18 grandchildren and 25 great grandchildren. Richard was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Phyllis Withrow; a grandchild, Beth Boyd; and a great grandson, Wyatt Hobbs. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third Street.

Monday, July 11, 2011

Paul E. Gross, 76, Denver, died at 2:55 a.m. Monday, July 11, 2011 at Caring Hands Healthcare. He was born in Lee County, Kentucky, on Oct. 4, 1934 to Jesse and Ila (Sparks) Gross. He married Shirley (Bruce) Gross, who preceded him in death. Paul was a retired farmer and a member of the First Church of Christ of Peru. He is survived by his daughter, Debbie Long and husband Michael, Peru; his sons, Randy Gross and wife Kathy, Lagro, and Jeff Gross and wife Mary, Peru. He is survived also by a brother, Charles, two sisters, Jean and Pauline; six grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren. Paul was preceded in death by his parents, his wife and two brothers. A funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday in Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., with Pastor Shane Capps officiating. Burial will be in Mont Hope Cemetery, Peru. Friends may call from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, July 14, 2011

William Joseph "Bill" Sumpter, 73, passed away Monday, July 11, 2011 in St. Vincent Hospice in Indianapolis, Indiana surrounded by family. He was born January 31, 1938 in Peru, Indiana. Bill graduated from Peru High School in 1956 and received a BS in Chemical Engineering from Tri-State College in 1959. Bill went to work for Goodyear in Akron, Ohio, before moving to Marion to work at General Tire. Through his community and political activities, he transitioned into the insurance industry where he spent more than 30 years in many capacities. He provided a valuable service to local businesses, government, and consumers while enriching the lives of numerous employees. Bill finished out his career as a key member of Insurance Management Group in Marion, Indiana. Bill is survived by his beloved wife, Christina; sons, Vincent (wife, Nancy) Sumpter, Scott Mendoza; daughters, Carol Sumpter and Anna (Mendoza) (husband, Aaron) Easton; grandchildren, Ariel Sumpter, Audrey Sumpter, Christen Dotson, Amanda Dotson (fiancé Derrick Van Dusen), Ruthann (Noblitt) Sumpter and future grandson, Mauro Joseph Easton. Bill leaves behind a host of friends and colleagues from a life well-lived. As one person put it, "He's the best man I've ever known!" And most people who knew him, would agree. He was a very generous soul, and in keeping with his spirit of giving, Bill donated his eyes to the Lions Eye Bank. Services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, July 15, 2011 in St. Michael's Episcopal Church in Noblesville, Indiana with Father Ray Bradley officiating.

Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday, July 14, 2011 in Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1685 Westfield Road in Noblesville. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Vincent Hospice, 8450 N. Payne Rd., Ste. 100, Indianapolis, IN 46268. Online condolences may be made at www.randallroberts.com or go online to

<http://www.caringbridge.org/visit/billsumpter1> to share a story, make a tribute, or just sign the guestbook.

Friday, July 15, 2011 3:10 AM EDT

Leona Mae Lenon, 95, died at 12:18 a.m. Thursday, July 14, 2011 at Caring Hands Healthcare, where she was a resident. She was born May 28, 1916 in Marion to Clarence and Edna Mae (Wolf) Wagoner. She married Donald Lenon Jan. 1, 1935 and he preceded her in death Jan. 14, 2003. Leona was a member of the Peoria Church, the Butler Home Ec. Club and the Peoria Women's Society. She was a homemaker. Leona is survived by a son, Larry Lenon and wife Nancy, Kokomo; a daughter, Carolie Feller and husband Larry, Peru; four grandchildren, Doug Lenon, Kerry Lenon and wife Carroll, Greg Feller and Juli Feller; three great grandchildren, Chase Lenon, Conner Lenon, Heather Jaycox and husband John; great great grandchild, Devyn Jaycox; step great great grandchild, Kylie Jaycox; three step great grandchildren, Robert Mehlig, Parker Mehlig and Eric Mehlig; a brother, Clarence D. Wagoner and wife Mildren, Warren; and sisters, Inez Mantha, Marion and Norma Losure and husband Wayne, Florida. A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., with Pastor Brian Daniels officiating. Burial will take place in Parklawn Cemetery, Amboy. Friends may call from 9 a.m. until time of service Saturday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home. Memorials donations may be made to Peoria Church.

Leroy Mills Jr., 87, Macy, passed away early Wednesday, July 13, 2011 at his family's farm where he had lived his entire life. He was born Oct. 1, 1923 near Deedsville, the son of Cecil and Ruth Mills. He married Margaret Louise Zartman on April 27, 1946 and she preceded him in death on Dec. 20, 2009. Leroy graduated from Deedsville High School in 1941. He was an avid farmer who enjoyed a hard day's work. He was a proud member of the North Miami school board for 13 years and missed only one meeting due to surgery while on the board. He was a member of the Perrysburg Baptist Church and attended Denver Baptist Church and enjoyed gardening, reading the paper and spending time with his grandchildren. For many years, he taught the men's Sunday school class at the Perrysburg church. Those surviving include his sister, Jeanette Hunter, Peru; sisters-in-law, Harriet Zartman and Sue Mitchell; children, Linda Mills, Indianapolis, Jan Pike and spouse Jim, Indianapolis, Curt and wife Barbara Mills, Macy, Kent and wife Sharon Mills, Denver; grandchildren, Jessica Pike, Indianapolis, Adam Pike, Indianapolis, and Nathan Vandermaak, Denver, Myranda Rusie, Portland, Oreg.; one great-grandchild and several nieces and nephews. His parents, his brothers, Richard Mills and Myron Mills, sister, Arlene Balsbaugh and his wife of 63 years, Margaret Mills, precede him in death. Funeral services will be Sunday, July 17, 2011 at 2:30 p.m. at McClain Funeral Home, Denver with Pastor Steve Bate officiating. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. on Saturday, July 16, 2011 at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to Helping Hands or Denver First Baptist Church. The online guestbook can be signed at www.mcclainfh.com.

Phyllis Mae Hudkins, 66, Rochester, died Monday, June 6, 2011. Service: 6 p.m. Friday, July 22, in the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Visitation: 4 p.m. until the time of service.

Ben J. Hensley, 84, Peru, died at 2:13 a.m. Thursday, July 14, 2011 at Dukes Memorial Hospital. He was born Aug. 1, 1926 in Jackson, Ken., to Ben and Lora (Weaver) Hensley. He married Sherley (Clark) Hensley on Sept. 29, 1951 and she survives. Ben served in the U.S. Air Force and worked for the C&O Railroad. He was a member of the Peru Masonic Lodge, enjoyed playing guitar and was proud of his pilot license. He is survived by his wife; his daughters, Sarita Hensley and husband Jay, Charleston, S.C., Christi Stevens and husband Michael, Peru, and Tamra Proffitt and husband Troy, Peru; his sons, Ben Hensley and wife Amy, Kokomo, Randy Hensley and wife Lisa, Ladson, S.C.; and brother Tilden "Pete" Hensley, Kentucky. He is also survived by 14 grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren. He is preceded in death by both parents, three brothers, a sister and a grandchild. A Masonic service will be held at 11 a.m. Monday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home. Burial will be in Ever-Rest Memorial Park. Military rites will be performed by the Miami County Military Rites Team. Friends may call from 9 a.m. until the time of service Monday at the funeral home.

Monday, July 18, 2011 3:10 AM EDT

Charles William "Bill" Grimes, age 91, passed away July 16, 2011 at his home in Bridgewater, N.J. Bill was born at home in Denver, Ind. the son of Winifred and Clinton Grimes and brother to Robert (Bob) and James (Jim) Grimes. Bill graduated from Peru High School and attended Purdue University till he joined the U.S. Army. He served in the U.S. Army Air Corps in WWII beginning as an aircraft mechanic, later becoming a pilot, being awarded the distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal. After WWII, Bill was a test pilot at the Landing Aids Experiment Station in Arcata, Calif. In the earlier 1950s, Bill began working as a commercial pilot for Eastern Airlines until he retired in 1980. Bill married Bonnie Green on July 17, 1948 in Eureka, Calif., and she preceded him in death in 2001. Bill is survived by his brother Jim Grimes: children Randy Grimes, Paul Grimes, Carla Opel, Brian Grimes, and Jan Grimes and grandchildren Matthew and Jennifer Opel, and Michael and Tara Grimes. A service will be Wednesday, July 20, at 10 a.m. at Westlawn Cemetery in Denver, Ind. with military rites being given by the Miami County Military Rites Team. Arrangements have been entrusted to McClain Funeral Home, Denver. The online guestbook can be signed at www.mcclainfh.com.

Tuesday, July 19, 2011

Robert Jeffrey Eldridge, age 61, Logansport, passed away at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, July 17, 2011 in his residence. Born Aug. 3, 1949 in Peru, he was the son of Robert Weldon and Dorothy Schmidt Eldridge. On June 18, 1971, in Peru, he was married to Carol Rosengrant, who survives in Logansport. A 1967 graduate of Peru High School, Bob had been a realtor with Century 21

in Logansport. He also attended Purdue and received an associate degree in 1970 from Ivy Tech. He was a member of the Cass County Realtors and Saint James Lutheran Church. Bob was a Chicago Bears fan, and an avid bowler. He enjoyed golfing and fishing and loved to spend time with his grandchildren. Also surviving are a son, Jeffrey Eldridge, Noblesville; daughter, Jennifer (Jason) Sweet, Logansport; brother, Richard Eldridge, Peru; sisters, Sheri Moore and Darcy (Bruce) Ashby, all of Logansport; grandchildren, Kyleigh Sweet, Kendall Sweet, Easton Sweet and Mallory Eldridge, along with a number of nieces and nephews. The service will be held at 11 a.m. on Thursday, July 21, 2011 at Saint James Lutheran Church in Logansport, with Pastor K. C. Dehning officiating. Interment will be in Saint John's Lutheran Cemetery in Peru. Visitation will be from 3 until 8 p.m. on Wednesday, at Kroeger Funeral Home, and one hour prior to the service at the church on Thursday. Memorial contributions may be made to Saint James Lutheran Church, 430 Ninth Street, Logansport, Ind. 46947, or to American Diabetes Association, Suite 114, 6415 Castleway W. Drive, Indianapolis, Ind. 46250. Condolences may be placed online at kroegerfuneralhome.com.

William P. Clark, 58, Peru was taken home by his Lord Jesus Christ at 5:45 p.m. on July 16, 2011 at Saint Joseph Hospital in Kokomo. He was born Sept. 30, 1952, in Peru, to Wilma L. (Draving) Clark and Robert L. Clark Sr. William married his high school sweetheart, T. Maxine (Houk) Clark on July 12, 1975. She survives. William served in the U.S. Navy on the U.S.S. Independence during the Vietnam era, he also worked at CR Metal in Peru, for 19 and a half years, where he worked as a foundry quality analyst. He then went to work for Chrysler Kokomo Transmission plant in 1995, where he was employed as a fork truck driver. He was a proud member of UAW Local 685. William attended and was an avid member of the chapel of praise and loved his church family. He loved and adored spending time with his grandkids and date nights with his wife! He also enjoyed taking care of the landscaping of the chapel of praise. William also enjoyed riding his Harley Davidson Sportster.

He is survived by his wife, one daughter and son-in-law, Kendra and Robert Moreraft, Peru; one son and daughter-in-law, Paul and Nicole Clark, Peru. He is also survived by six sisters and one brother, Linda McMillan, Moore, Okla., Julie and Bob Duncan, Fairfield, Ill., Terrie Rosalaes, Decatur, Texas; Cindy and Arnie McKintrick, Fairfield, Ill.; Sara Ousley, Peru; Tom Wilhelm and wife Angie, New Haven, Ill.; and Deanna Cress and husband Robert Carbondale, Ill. Willisam is also survived by five grandkids, Ethan Michal, Madison Jayne, Molly Jo, Sofia Suzanne, Emma May and Max William who will arrive mid-November. He is preceded in death by his mother, Wilma L. (Draving) Boyd; April 29, 2011, and a brother, Robert L. Clark, Jr., March 19, 1993. Viewing will be at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105. W. Third St., friends may call on Tuesday, July 19, from 2 p.m. until 6 p.m. On Wednesday, a celebration of life service will be held at 5 p.m. at the funeral home, with Pastor David Ross officiating. Following the service, Williams' body will be put to rest at Peoria Cemetery.

Wednesday, July 20, 2011

Agatha Jane Marsh, 96, Rochester, died 8:30 p.m. Monday, July 18, 2011. Service: 1 p.m. Friday in Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Visitation: 3-8 p.m. Thursday and one hour before service.

Douglas T. Howlette, 55, Peru died at 7:10 p.m. Tuesday, July 19, 2011 at Saint Joseph Hospital, Kokomo. Funeral arrangements are pending from Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main St.

Frederick E. Skinner, 84, Twelve Mile, died Monday, July 18, 2011 at Logansport Memorial Hospital. Service: 10:30 a.m. at Twelve Mile United Methodist Church. Visitation will follow the memorial service. Arrangements by McClain Funeral Home.

Thursday, July 21, 2011

Douglas Thomas Howlette, 55, of Peru, passed away at 7:10 P.M., Tuesday, July 19, 2011 at St. Joseph Hospital, Kokomo, Ind. Doug was born on Dec. 31, 1955 in London, England, the son of Robert C. and Maureen Pollard Howlette. He moved to South Africa from England when he was 17 years old, as his dream was to play or be involved in soccer. While in South Africa he married and had two children. He accomplished his dream playing professional soccer while in South Africa and helped established the first racially mixed soccer league there in the 1970's. Doug moved to the United States in 1998, amicably divorced soon thereafter, and met his wife Susan, in 2003 in Kennesaw Ga., and they were married January 20, 2005. He worked for the United States Soccer Academy, and took 180 young soccer players to Europe on tours to compete in Junior World Youth Cups. Doug and his wife Susan moved to Indiana in 2005 and he was currently employed as a Recreation Leader at the Miami Correctional Facility, where he was named the employee of the month for July 2009. He has served as the head coach of the Maconaquah Boys Soccer Team since 2007 and in 2010 they completed their most successful season winning the Sectional Tournament. Surviving in addition to his wife, Susan, are his children, Tammy Howlette and Jonathan Howlette of Kennesaw Ga. and his step son Scott Handy of Kokomo; grandson, Joshua Howlette, and step grandsons, Nick Handy and Nolan Handy; a sister, Susan Conway and her husband James of England; brothers, Alan Howlette of France, Geoff Howlette of Scotland, Bob Howlette and his wife Marie of South Africa and Philip Howlette of Australia. A service celebrating the life of Douglas T. Howlette, will be held at 7 p.m. Sunday, July 24, 2011 at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 West Main, Peru, with Pastor Evan Strong officiating. Family and friends will gather from 2-5 p.m. Sunday at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, the family request that memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to the Maconaquah High School Boys Soccer Fund. On line condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Marvin J. Rouch, 99, formerly of Rochester, died 8:35 p.m. July 19, 2011. Service: 11 a.m. Saturday, Walnut Church of the Brethren, 1:30 p.m. Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Visitation: 3-7 p.m. Friday, Good Family Funeral Home.

Saturday, July 23, 2011

Hayden M. Wright died Sunday, July 17, 2011, followed by his infant twin **Cayden N. Wright** Friday, July 22, 2011, at Saint Vincent's Women's Hospital in Indianapolis. The twins were born July 17, 2011 in Indianapolis to Joshua Wright and Tequilla Gilbert, both of Peru. They are survived by their parents, and grandparents William and Debra Gilbert, Peru, Ed Wright, Peru, and Judy Homme, Kokomo. A funeral service will be held at 1 p.m. Monday in Mount Hope Chapel, with Pastor E.J. Litherland officiating. Burial will be in Mount Hope Cemetery. There will be no visitation. Love offerings may be made to the Tequilla Gilbert Fund through the Hometown Federal Credit Union. Funeral arrangements entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Michael James Smith, 32, Peru, died at 4 p.m. Thursday, July 21, 2011 at his residents. Funeral arrangements are pending from Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Monday, July 25, 2011

Edward Scott Wenrick, 78, Rochester, died 10:30 p.m. Friday, July 22, 2011. Service: 10 a.m. Wednesday, Saint John Lutheran Church, Rochester. Visitation: 4-8 p.m. Tuesday, Good Family Funeral Home, one hour before service at church.

Ethel Marie Stephenson, 94, formerly of Peru, passed away at 2:40 a.m. Sunday, July 24, 2011 at the Parkway Medical Center, Louisville, Ky. She was born in Columbus, Nebraska, on Sept. 5, 1916, the daughter of William and Rose Hittner Barker. Ethel married G. Edward Stephenson on Feb. 4, 1937 and he preceded her in death on April 26, 1985. Ethel was a homemaker. Following the death of her husband, Ed, she moved to Louisville, Ky. in 1987 and made her home with her daughter, Virginia. She was an active member of the Second Street Neighborhood Association in Louisville for more than 20 years. Ethel is survived by her daughter, Virginia Ehrlich of Louisville, Ky. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband and a sister, Edith. Graveside services for Ethel Marie Stephenson will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, July 26, 2011 at Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru, with Pastor J. Robert Clark officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Second Street Neighborhood Association, Zane Lockhart, 1322 S. Second St., Louisville, Ky. 40208, the American Cancer Society or the American Heart Association. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main St., Peru. Condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

LeRoy E. Rushing Jr., 69, Peru, died at 3:44 a.m. Saturday, July 23, 2011 at his residence. He was born Oct. 9, 1941 in Cass County to LeRoy E. Rushing Sr. and Laura C. (Wilson) Rushing. He married Shirley Newkirk July 31, 2008 and she survives. LeRoy is survived by his sons, Alex Cathings, Peru, Allan Cathings, Peru, and LeRoy E. Rushing III, Fort Wayne; his step sons, Andrew D. Smail, Orting, Wash., George E. Smail, Renton, Wash., and Martin P. Smail, Johnstown, Penn.; his daughters, Mary J. Rushing, Peru, and Christina Coppernoll, Peru; and his half-brother, Richard Lesley, Milwaukee, Wis. A graveside service will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Mount Hope Cemetery. There will be a military committal service provided by the Rochester VFW Lodge. Funeral arrangements entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Michael James Smith, 32, Peru, died at 4 p.m. Thursday, July 21, 2011 at his residence. He was born Feb. 8, 1979 in Wabash to Greg W. and Garnett L. (Butcher) Smith. Michael was a farm. He enjoyed playing video games, four-wheeling, hunting, fishing, going to truck pulls with his cousin Daniel, spending time on the farm, and spending time with his family and friends. He is survived by his parents, Greg W. Smith and companion Julie, Peru, and Garnett L. (Butcher) Smith, Wabash; his grandparents, Charles and Emmalou Daniel, Wabash; uncles, Jim and Teri Smith, Peru and Ricky Daniel, Wabash; aunts, Jane and Greg Atkinson, Kokomo, Tammy Wade and Jerry, Wabash, Brenda Penix and George, Wabash, and Marlene Watson, Warsaw; his brothers, Chris Daniel, Huntington, and Chad Daniel, Sarasota, Fla.; and cousin, Daniel, Peru. Michael was preceded in death by grandparents William and Frances Smith. A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., with Pastor Brian Daniels officiating. Burial will be in Peoria Cemetery. Friends may call from 3 to 7 p.m. Monday at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to Riley Children's Hospital.

Tuesday, July 26, 2011

Benjamin Leon Meeks passed peacefully in the arms of his loving parents on July 24, 2011. Benjamin was born on April 21, 2011. His life was a brief gift to us. During his short days here on Earth he touched many lives and was loved deeply by family and friends. He is being greeted by Head by his maternal grandfather, Thomas L. Miller and paternal great grandfather, Michael Elliott. Benji is the son of Sarah Charley and Barry Meeks II, of Bunker Hill. He is survived by one sibling, Adam Josiah Artrip. His maternal grandparents are Barbara A. Miller and Craig J. Charley of Ohio, and paternal grandparents Barry and Michelle Meeks of Peru. In lieu of funeral services a memorial service will be held on Wednesday for immediate family. Arrangements are entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Lyle Kent Vandermark, 74, Rochester, died 6:45 p.m. Sunday, July 24, 2011. Service: 10 a.m. Thursday, Church of Christ, Rochester. Visitation: 4-8 p.m. Wednesday, Good Family Funeral Home, one hour prior to service at church.

Wednesday, July 27, 2011

James Dean Grimes, 79, Peru, passed away at 1:17 a.m. on Sunday, July 24, 2011 at Dukes Memorial Hospital in Peru. Born Sept. 27, 1931 in Denver, he was the son of Clinton Dean and Winifred Carson Grimes. On Oct. 12, 1952 in Peru, he was married to Marcia Ann Howard, and she survives. James retired from the U.S. Air Force in the early 1970s. He then worked for several years at the foundry in Rochester. For many years he volunteered for the Miami County YMCA mowing and watering the soccer fields. Surviving along with his wife are two children, Howard D. Grimes and wife Diane, Pullman, Wash., and Kathi A. Beaver and husband Paul, Crystal River, Fla.; three grandchildren, Matthew Grimes, Benjamin Grimes and Lyndi Lancaster; two great grandchildren Bayley Lancaster and Anthony Hubartt. Graveside services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, July 30, 2011 at Westlawn Cemetery, Denver. Visitation will be from 11:30 to 1:30 p.m. at McClain Funeral Home, Denver. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that memorial contributions be directed to Miami County YMCA. The online guestbook can be signed at www.mcclainfh.com.

Patricia Robbins Angle, 75, passed away at 10:20 p.m. on Sunday, July 24, 2011 at Saint Vincent Heart Center of Indiana. Born Sept. 18, 1935 in Hampton, Va. she was the daughter of Aaron Grant and Lillian Eugenia Haithcock Mills. On Dec. 20, 1953 in Hampton, Va. she was married to William A. Robbins, and he preceded her in death on March 7, 1990. On Nov. 23, 1990 she was married to David F. Angle, and he survives. She was a member of the New Waverly United Methodist Church where she served as church pianist. She retired from Federal Mogul after their acquisition of Switches in Logansport where she had worked for many years. She enjoyed researching her family genealogy. She is survived by her husband David F. Angle, Twelve Mile; one son Oran William "Rob" Robbins, Bunker Hill; three daughters, Linda Jean Hoover, Twelve Mile; Dianne P. Robbins, Pensacola, Fla.; Virginia Leigh Rowan and husband Kevin, Wabash; three stepsons, David B. Angle and wife Jan, New Waverly; Randy L. Angle and wife Linda, New Waverly; and Brad A. Angle and wife Stacie, Logansport; six grandchildren, Angie, Will, Krys, Luke, Kass and Bridjet; and her step-grandchildren, Eric, Melissa, Andrea, Erica, Brooke, Nathaniel, Michalea, Dan, Laura, Erin and Diana; and 15 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents and one son-in-law, Keith E. Hoover. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, July 29, 2011 at McClain Funeral Home with Pastor Glenn Knepp officiating. Burial will follow in Skinner Cemetery, near Twelve Mile.

Thursday, July 28, 2011

Carmella E. Musto, 77, died at 12:45 p.m. Wednesday, July 27, 2011 in Saint Joseph Hospital, Forth Wayne. Arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Mary Alice Graves, 72, of Peru, passed away at 12:30 p.m. Monday, July 25, 2011 at her residence, surrounded by the family she loved so much. She was born in London, Ky. on June 19, 1938 the daughter of E. Walker and Grace (Riddle) Bustle. Mary was raised by her aunt and uncle, Curtis and Mattie (Bustle) Eversole. Mary married Stanley Graves in Ringgold, Ga. On July 12, 1958 and he survives. As an Air Force wife, she accompanied her husband, retired Chief Master Sgt. U.S. Air Force Stanley Graves on his various assignments around the country during his 30 years on active duty in the Air Force. Mary valued most her domestic life with family. She was a devoted wife, mother and grandmother. She loved animals, especially her cats. Mary loved feeding and watching song birds, the beauty of nature, gardening and working in the flowers around her home. She also loved books, was an avid reader and loved to travel. She is survived by her husband of more than 53 years, Stanley; daughter, Scarlett Jane Graves-Jewett and her husband Steven Jewett of Fort Pierce, Fla.; son, Steven Benfield Graves and his wife TerriAnn of Tipp City, Ohio; grandchildren, Mattie Grace Graves-Jewett, Dominic Ryley Valdez Graves and Alexandra Elizabeth Graves. A celebration of Mary's life will be held at the residence of her brother-in-law, Clinton Graves of Broadhead, Ky. on Sept. 3, 2011. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Animal Kindness, Inc. or Ovar Coming Together (for Ovarian Cancer Research). Arrangements have been entrusted to the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home. Online condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhome.com.

Richard Joseph Blodgett, 58, passed away 1:20 p.m. Tuesday, July 26, 2011 at his home following a four year battle with ALS, Lou Gehrig's disease. He was born July 31, 1952, in Peru. He was employed in the housekeeping field at Dukes Hospital in Peru, Memorial Hospital in Logansport and White County Hospital in Monticello with over 20 years combined service before his illness. He was a member of Eastpointe Bible Church in Peru. He was a past assistant scoutmaster for the Boy Scouts of America, past board member of the Miami County Historical Society, and past vice president of the Issac Walton League in Peru. He worked for several years with Heritage Days in Peru. He graduated from Peru High School in 1972 and his passion for the last 12 years was doing historical reenactments all over the top half of Indiana. He is survived by his mother, Jeanne Blodgett; his wife of 35 years, Miriam Blodgett; two daughters, Rachel Blodgett and Sarah (Bryan Scott) McCoy; and one beloved grandson, Clay McCoy. Also a sister Wanda Filson, Tampa, Fla. and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father, Joseph R. Blodgett and a half sister, Marna Engel. Friends may call from 2 p.m. till time of service Sunday at Eastpointe Bible Church. A memorial service will be held at 3 p.m. on Sunday at the church with the Rev.

Steve Fleck officiating. Visitation will be one hour before services at the church. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the ALS Association or to Guardian Angel Hospice. Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home handled the arrangements.

Valeria H. Smith, 89, died at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 26, 2011 at her residence in Caring Hand Nursing Home. She was born June 3, 1922 in Cincinnati, Ohio, to William E. Hines and Iva Nora (Hayden) Hines. She married William R. Smith in 1942 and he preceded her in death. She worked as a teacher aid, and was an employee at Sengers, Blue Drug Store and JC Pennies for 28 years. Valeria is survived by her daughter, Deanna Randall, Angola; son, Steven Smith and wife Joann, Norfolk, Neb.; niece, Cathy Fakes, Noblesville; brother, Eugene Hines, Cincinnati, Ohio; and sister, Virginia "Ginny" Graf, Peru. Also surviving are several grandchildren and great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, both parents and a sister. A funeral service will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., with the Rev. George Faul officiating. Burial will be in Ever-Rest Memorial Park, Cass County. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

Thursday, August 4, 2011

Eloise LeMaster, 97, died Wednesday, Aug. 3, 2011 at 12:30 p.m. She was born Nov. 25, 1913, in Cass County, to Frank and Cora Eshelman Sprinkle. She married Paul LeMaster on Jan. 28, 1934. He preceded her in death on April 14, 1984. They had three children together, Ronald, Lorna and Douglas. She graduated from Galveston High School, Galveston. She worked hard all her life, cooking at Clay Township School, helping her husband farm and her son at LeMaster's Greenhouse. Eloise was a member of Loree Brethren Church, where she served as deaconess and on the Women's Missionary Society, serving many meals. She leaves behind her family, son, Ronald and wife Norma LeMaster, Bunker Hill; daughter, Lorna Payne, Peru; son, Douglas and wife Patsy LeMaster, Bunker Hill; grandchildren, Dale and wife Karen LeMaster, Kokomo, Suzanne and husband Scott Amstutz, Fort Wayne, Darryl LeMaster, Bunker Hill, Randy and wife Marcia Payne, Peru, Gary and wife Sherry Payne, Peru, Gene and wife Diana Payne, Peru, Tracey Dawson and special friend Mark Tolle, Bunker Hill, and Shelly and husband Rich Leary, Bunker Hill; great-grandchildren, Tyler and Ryan LeMaster, Kokomo, Kelsey Amstutz and fiance Matt Amberg, Fort Wayne, Isaac Amstutz, Fort Wayne, Ericka Gross, Peru, Jeremie Payne, Marion, Stephanie and husband Patrick Marsh, Fort Carson, Colo., Mara Lee and husband Kevin Swift, Peru, Kayla Payne, Peru, and fiance Michael Thrush, Laotto, John and wife Lykia Lorenz, Crestview, Fla., Alicia Kubly, Peru, Ryan and wife Kristen Wagoner, Peru, Eric and wife Natalie Wagoner, Fort Wayne, Sydne Leary and Richie Leary, Bunker Hill, and Daphne Dawson and Jax Dawson, Bunker Hill; great-great grandchildren, Cooper Walls, Danielle Gross, Olivia Gross, Haley Marsh, Laylah Swift, Wyatt Swift, Connor Kubly, Brody Kubly, Taylor Lorenz, Jasmine Lorenz, Hadley Wagoner and Leiam Wagoner; sisters-in-law, Elizabeth Sprinkle and Anita Sprinkle; many nieces and nephews; and her favorite family dog, Barney. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; three brothers, Lester, Ernest and Elbert Sprinkle; son-in-law, Ray Payne; and Infant great-grandson. She will be sadly missed by all who knew her. Family and friends may call from 3 to 8 p.m. Friday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru. Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Saturday August 6, 2011 at the funeral home. Burial will be in Clymers Cemetery, Bunker Hill. Pastor Gerald Zook will officiate. Memorial Contributions: Guardian Angel Hospice, Kokomo, and/or Loree First Brethren Church.

Monday, August 8, 2011

Charles A. Pope, 85, Peru, died Saturday, Aug. 6, 2011 at 8:10 p.m. at Dukes Memorial Hospital. Funeral arrangements are entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Wednesday, August 10, 2011

1926-2011 **Charles A. Pope, 85**, Millers Merry Manor resident, died at 8:10 p.m. Aug. 6, 2011 at Dukes Memorial Hospital. He was born in Mississippi on Oct. 24, 1926 to Simon and Angie (Price) Pope. He married Ruby Lewis, and she preceded him in death Nov. 28, 2000. Charles is survived by his daughters, Bonnie Richmond, Peru, and Mary Burgess, Campbell, Mo.; eight grandchildren, Willie Parker, Mike (Marcie) Grey, Robert (Shannon) Grey, Nadean (Michael) Stevens, Thomas Isbell, Lillia Isbell, Daniel Isbell, Peggy Isbell. Also surviving are 23 great grandchildren and five great great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife, Ruby; two sons, Bobby and William; his mother and father; three brothers, Leroy, Carl and Hardy; and a granddaughter, Peggy Isbell. A graveside service will be held Thursday, 11 a.m. with Trace Lasher officiating. Burial will be in Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru. Funeral arrangements entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Guy E. Lowe, 58, Peru, died at 11:52 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 9, 2011 at his residence. He was born Jan. 19, 1953 in Peru to Donald (Sally) Lowe and Beverly (Likens) Lowe. He married Joyce Bowman on July 18, 1975 and she survives. Guy retired from Haynes International, Kokomo. He enjoyed fishing and horses. He is survived by his father; his wife; a son, Daniel Lowe, Peru; a daughter, Jamie (John) Adkins, Roann; his granddaughters, Rebecca Roberts, Roann, and Miranda Adkins, Roann; a brother, Shane (Cheryl) Lowe, Peru; and his sisters, Tracy Marek, Peru, and Cindy (Alex) Castro, Roann. A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St. Burial will be in Westlawn Cemetery, Denver. Friends may call from 3 to 7 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

1932-2011 **Mary C. (Odom) Parson, 78**, North Manchester, died 9:35 a.m. Monday, Aug. 8, 2011 at Wabash Hospital. She was born in Carroll County on Oct. 21, 1932 to Bert Odom and Beulah (Timmons) Odom Nickels. She married Estel K. "Pappy" Parson Jan. 30, 1971 and he preceded her in death. Mary retired from United Technologies in 1985 and was a member of the Eagles and the American Legion of North Manchester. She is survived by her son, Robert Dean "RD" Williamson and wife Winnie, Florida.; a daughter, Sandra Moore, North Manchester; her step-sons, Rick Parson and wife Gloria, Roann, Berman Parson and wife Starr, Roann, Brent Parson and wife Deanna, Deedsville and Bronsyn Parson and wife Janet, Mexico; a stepdaughter, Kim Hentgen and husband Danny, Peru; her brothers, Maurice W. Nickels, Indianapolis, Morris Nickels Jr., Tennessee, and John Odon, Defiance, Ohio; and her sisters, Judy Grube, Rochester, Madeline McDaniel, Logansport, Eleanor Geary, North Manchester, Evelyn Brown, Cicero, and Deloris Johnson, Kokomo. She is also survived by several nieces and nephews, grandchildren, step grandchildren, great grandchildren and great great grandchildren. A funeral service will be held at noon Friday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., with Pastor Jason See officiating. Burial will be in Ever-Rest Memorial Park, Cass County. Friends may call from 10 a.m. until the time of service Friday at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to a favorite charity.

Michael McClaran, 59, rural Macy passed away on Tuesday morning, Aug. 9, 2011 in Miami County. Born July 31, 1952 in Peru, he was the son of Robert Luis and Norma L. Murphy McClaran. He was married to Alta Kay Vance; and she preceded him in death on Oct. 25, 1998. He was an active member of Corinth Brethren Church near Twelve Mile. He retired from Square D in Peru. Survivors include his mother Norma, rural Roann; three children, Linette Marie Stevens and husband Kevin, Walton; Jonathan Ross McClaran, West Virginia; and Kayla McClaran, Bloomington; two grandchildren, Alyssa Stevens and Alexander Stevens, both of Walton; one brother, Jerry A. McClaran, rural Peru; mother-in-law, Inez L. Vance, W. Va.; sister-in-law, Denise Queen and husband Kelly Vance, W. Va.; and one brother-in-law, Terry Vance and wife Glenna, W. Va. He was preceded in death by his father and one brother, Harold Dean McClaran. Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 14, 2011 at Corinth Brethren Church with Pastor Ben Phippen officiating. Burial will follow in Westlawn Cemetery, Denver. Visitation will be from noon until 6 p.m. on Saturday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver and one hour prior to the service at the church. Memorial contributions may be directed to Corinth Brethren Church. The online guestbook can be signed at www.mcclainfh.com.

Friday, August 12, 2011

Earl Gaerte, 67, 615 Monroe St., Rochester, passed away Monday, Aug. 8th, 2011. Service is 10 a.m., Wednesday, in the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St. Visitation is from 3 to 8 p.m.

Guy E. Lowe, 58, Peru, died at 11:52 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 9, 2011 at his residence. He was born Jan. 19, 1953 in Peru to Beverly (Likens) Lowe. He married Joyce Bowman on July 18, 1975 and she survives. Guy worked at Haynes International, Kokomo. He enjoyed fishing and horses. He is survived by his wife; a son, Daniel Lowe, Peru; a daughter, Jamie (John) Adkins, Roann; his granddaughters, Rebecca Roberts, Roann, and Miranda Adkins, Roann; a brother, Shane (Cheryl) Lowe, Peru; and his sisters, Tracy Marek, Peru, and Cindy (Alex) Castro, Roann. A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St. Burial will be in Westlawn Cemetery, Denver. Friends may call from 3 to 7 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

Richard L. Schomberg, 71, Peru, passed away at 5 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 9, 2011 at his residence. He was born in Detroit, Mich. on May 13, 1940 the son of Leonard and Edna Hoeft Schomberg. Surviving is a sister Linda Pratt and her husband Thomas of Payton, Colo. and a brother Herbert Schomberg and his wife Janet of Pentwater, Mich.. He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister Barbara Fiechtner. He graduated from Avondale High School, Avondale, MI in 1958 and retired from the U.S. Air Force after 20 years of service. He was a member of the Saint John's Lutheran Church. A memorial service celebrating the life of Richard L. Schomberg will be held at 4 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 14, 2011 at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 West Main Street, Peru, IN with Pastor Kenneth Greenwald officiating. Military honors will be provided by members.

Thomas 'Tom' A. Reahard, 61, Wabash, died Thursday, Aug. 11, 2011. Services will be 2 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 16, 2011 at McDonald Funeral Home, Wabash. Visitation is noon until 2 p.m. at the funeral home.

Monday, August 15, 2011

G. Bernadine DeLucca, 87, Peru, passed away at 4:07 a.m., Sunday, Aug. 14, 2011 at her residence surrounded by her loving family. She was born in Miami County Feb. 14, 1924, the daughter of Harry A. and Minnie E. Benner Engel. Bernadine married John DeLucca, Jr. on Dec. 26, 1944 and he preceded her in death on Nov. 14, 1996. Bernadine attended the Salem Christian Church and was employed as a cook at the Gallahan Travel Center for more than 25 years, retiring in 1993. Bernadine treasured most her domestic life with family. She was a devoted and loving wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and friend. Bernadine was respected for her openness and frankness and everyone enjoyed her sense of humor as well as her ability to make friends easily. She is survived by her children Joyce Tanner and her husband Jeff of Peru, John R. DeLucca and his wife Pat of Peru, Michele Caudill and her husband Fred of Peru, Raymond DeLucca and his wife Sandra of

Peru and Ronald DeLucca of Columbia City; a brother Donovan Engel and his wife Sue of Kokomo; a sister Pauline Engel of Peru; grandchildren Monica Queen and her husband Ty of Peru, Christopher Caudill and his wife Debbie of Oviedo, Fla, Kevin Caudill and his wife Kim of Rochester, Amy Boswell and her husband Jason of Peru, Scott DeLucca and his wife Angie of Peru, Paul Caudill and his wife Angie of Rochester, Allen O'Malley and his wife Kyla of Peru, Amanda Tanner of Indianapolis, David Tanner of Bristol, Ellen Stakley of Peru, Ronald DeLucca, Jr. of Columbia City, Brandon DeLucca and his wife Rachel of Ft. Wayne and Shaun DeLucca of Peru; great-grandchildren Mason Queen, Brittany Justice, Caitlin Parker, Justin Pomeroy, Chandler and Morgan Caudill, Makaila and Abby Caudill, Jacob, Jackson and Jacey Boswell, Anissa and Adam Cox, Audrey DeLucca, Taylor and Cayden Caudill, Ryleigh O'Malley, Zachary Stakley, Marissa Riley and Natalie DeLucca. She was preceded in death by her husband John, brothers Raymond and Everett Engel a sister Arvilla Foust and a grandson Cody DeLucca. A service celebrating the life of Bernadine DeLucca will be 11 a.m., Wednesday, Aug. 17 at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main St., Peru, with Pastor John Rhodes officiating. Burial will be in the Springdale Cemetery, Bunker Hill. Family and friends will gather from 2-4 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Wabash-Miami Home Health Care & Hospice. Condolences may be made on line at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Helen Maxine Lawson, 85, passed away 7:30 a.m. Aug. 12, 2011 at Life Care Center in Rochester. She was born Jan. 26, 1926 in Wabash to Ora and Blanche (Bitner) Lewis. She is survived by three sons, Mickey Wilson (wife Judy) of Rochester, Dennis Wilson (wife Colleen) of Perrysburg, Larry Wilson of Mexico, and one daughter Billie Hoover (husband Bill) of Peru. She is also survived by her grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, one brother, two sisters, one grandson, her first husband William Wilson in 1959, and Charles Lawson in 1990. There will be no visitation. Graveside services will be 11 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 16 at Mount Hope Cemetery with Pastor David Ross officiating. Arrangements were entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home.

Phillip Lynd Delawder, 80, of Macy, passed away at 2:25 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 13, 2011 at Life Care Center of Rochester. Born Sept. 3, 1930 in Ironton, Ohio, he was the son of Roy and Bessie E. Palmer Delawder. On Oct. 2, 1949 in Frankfort, he was married to Iris Elise Lambert, and she survives. He was retired from Delco Electronics in Kokomo where he had worked for thirty years. He was a member of Lincoln Masonic Lodge, Macy. Survivors include four daughters, Marsha Lynn Adams and husband Richard of Hideaway, Texas; Nancy Kaye Eppert and husband John, Independence, Mo.; Karen Sue Wilhelm and husband Mark, Perrysburg; and Judy Ann Delawder, Stockdale; six grandchildren, three step-grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; five step-great grandchildren. Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 17 at McClain Funeral Home, Denver with Pastor David Welsh officiating. Burial will follow in Plainview Cemetery, Macy. Visitation will be from 3-7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 16 at the funeral home and one hour prior to the services on Wednesday. Masonic services will be conducted at 7 p.m. on Tuesday.

Raymond Arthur Keyes, Jr. 81, passed away, Thursday, Aug. 11, 2011, at his residence. Ray retired from the United States Air Force after 21 years, having served during the Korean and Vietnam conflicts. After his military retirement, he owned Key Music, in Fort Walton Beach, Fla. and later worked for his son at Doane-Keyes Associates, Inc. in Peru. His hobbies included guitar playing, teaching guitar, and fishing. His family remembers him as a loving and caring husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather. Besides his parents, he is preceded in death by two sisters: Dorothy Keyes, and Esther Mae Keyes. Survivors include his beloved wife of 62 years Jacqueline Jackson Keyes of Fort Walton Beach, one son: Raymond A. Keyes, III and his wife Barbara of Peru, Indiana and granddaughters: Shana Peconga and her husband Jim of St. Petersburg, Fla., Lindsay Black and her husband Parker of Noblesville, Lauren Barnes and her husband Blake of Peru, and Hillary Keyes of Carmel, one great grandson: Mason Barnes, three great-granddaughters: Sydney Barnes, Mackenzie Black, and Peyton Black. A funeral service will be 2 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 17 in the chapel of Emerald Coast Funeral Home, 113 Racetrack Road, N.E., Fort Walton Beach, FL 32547, 850-864-3361. Military rites will be rendered at the service. Burial will follow at Mount Hope Cemetery, in Peru. In lieu of flowers, family has requested donations to Emerald Coast Hospice, 419 Racetrack Road Northwest, Fort Walton Beach, Fla. Expressions of sympathy may be viewed or submitted online at www.emeraldcoastfuneralhome.com

Thomas R. "Buddy" Wright, Jr., 53, of Logansport, died at 8:05 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 11, 2011 at his home. He was born April 23, 1948 in Peru, to Tommy R. and Vera (Huddelston) Wright, Sr. Surviving is his companion of 37 years, Betty Nice of Logansport; four step-children, Donna Lynn Nice of Logansport, Lonnie Wayne Nice of Peru, James and Robert Nice both of Kewanna. Also surviving are nine step-grandchildren, one brother, Greeley Marshall Wright of LaPorte, and one sister, Minerva Southerton of Peru. He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Edward Keith Wright. Buddy was a construction worker. He enjoyed hunting and fishing. There will be no visitation or services and cremation will take place. Elkhart Cremation Services, 2100 W. Franklin St., Elkhart, is entrusted with arrangements.

Tuesday, August 16, 2011

Burl H. Blackman, 90, Peru, died at 6:55 p.m. Monday, Aug. 15, 2011 at Greenwood Health and Living, Greenwood. He was born in Peru on Dec. 20, 1920 to Albert Blackman and Coda (McCloud) Blackman. He married twice, first to Marilyn J. Cox,

who preceded him in death on Jan. 1, 1979 and to Norma Smith, who survives. Burl was a retired millwright from Fisher-Body GM in Marion and a member of the Main Street United Methodist Church in Peru. He served in the U.S. Army during WW II. Burl is survived by his wife, Norma Smith; his sons, Stave (Susie) Blackman, Franklin; his daughter, Sherry (Lonnie) Carr, Greenwood; his step daughters, Nancy (Dough) Sebastian, Peru, and Cheryl Smith, Denver, Colo.; three grandchildren, Chad Blackman, Indianapolis, Todd Carr, Greenwood, and Shelley Steinhauer, Greenwood; and a great granddaughter, Abby McDaniel. He was preceded in death by his first wife, his parents, and six brothers and sisters. A funeral service will take place at 2 p.m. Friday in Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., with Pastor Dave Scifres officiating. Burial will be in Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru. Friends may call on Friday from noon until the time of service. There will be a military committal service provided by the Miami County Military Rites Unit.

Donald Eugene Fouts, 84, rural Peru passed away at 7:20 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 15, 2011 at Dukes Memorial Hospital in Peru, Indiana. Born on December 27, 1926 on his family farm in northern Miami County, he was the son of Alvian Isaac and Alice Edna Gottschalk Fouts. He was married to Nell Jane Howard on Oct. 31, 1946 at the home of the late Rev. C.F. Golden near Denver, and she survives. Don was a farmer and enjoyed working and living off of his family's land. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, and woodworking. He also retired from Peru Utilities. Survivors include his five children, Howard E. Fouts and his wife Dorothy, Frankfort, Kentucky; Donna M. Leedy, Peru; Gina D. France and her husband Mike, Phoenix, Arizona; Christina J. Crowe and husband David, Brookston; and Vern K. Fouts, Peru; nine grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by an infant son and one brother, Gerald Fouts. Graveside services will be held at 2 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 19, 2011 at Greenlawn Cemetery, Mexico. Memorial contributions may be made to the Parkinson's Foundation and can be sent through the funeral home. McClain Funeral Home, Denver has been entrusted with arrangements.

Donna Jeanette Meadows, 79, Peru, died at 9:34 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 16, 2011 in Saint Joseph Hospital, Fort Wayne. She was born Dec. 8, 1931 in Crickmer, W. Va. to Robert Thomas Richmond and Lorene F. (Neely) Richmond. She married Billy Carl Meadows in 1949 and he preceded her in dead Dec. 26, 1978. She was past Republican County Chairman of Summers County, W. Va. and Miami County, as well as a past Miami County Recorder and Republican Woman of the Year. She was a member of the National Republican Women Association, Indiana Republican Women Association, Miami County Women and a member of the Peru Zoning Board. She was involved in too many prior organizations to list. She enjoyed bowling, golfing, football and was an avid sports enthusiast. She was a fan of the West Virginia University Mountaineers and the Colts. She is survived by her daughters, Brenda Gail (Terry) Weaver, Peru, and Rhonda Leigh (Todd) Trexler, Peru; her son, Billy Carl; and Hoard Bockover, Peru, who she raised like a son; her brothers, Robert D. (Janet) Richmond, Peru, Daniel D. (Adela) Richmond, Saint Petersburg, Fla., and Darrell L. (Willie) Richmond, Tampa, Fla.; and her sisters, Annas Jacqueline Richmond, Peru, Janet Ramona Via, San Antonio, Texas, Lorena Yvonne Campbell (Patrick) Keaton, Beaver, W. Va., and Drema Lois (Richard) Edward, Hinton, W. Va. She is also survived by eight grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren, with one on the way. She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband. A funeral service will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in the First Baptist Church, 53 E. Main St., Peru, with Pastor Robert Adelsperger officiating. Burial will be in Restwood Memorial Park, Hinton, W. Va. A graveside service will be held there. Friends may call from 2 to 8 p.m. Friday at the First Baptist Church in Peru. Memorial contributions may be made to the First Baptist Church. Funeral arrangements are entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Lorraine M. Colgrove, 76, passed away at 7:33 p.m. Monday, August 15, 2011 at Indiana University Medical Center in Indianapolis. She was born in New London, Conn. Feb. 14, 1935 to Harvey and Avis M. Mills. She married Rex Colgrove in 1977 and he survives. Lorraine retired from Delco Electronics in Kokomo, in 1988 and was a member of IBN Saud Ladies in Kokomo. Survivors include her husband Rex, her son Rick (Susan) McLay of Fredericksburg, Va., a daughter, Cindy Sharp of Peru; step-daughter Thania (Jack) Harris, Warsaw; step-son Philip (Sue) Colgrove, Mattoon, Ill. She is also survived by eight grandchildren: Stephanie Sharp, Ashley Sharp, Greg Sharp, Marcus Harris, Rex Colgrove, Michael Colgrove, Christopher Colgrove, and Grice Colgrove; eight great-grandchildren, Ashlan, Karleigh, Kayanna, Blaine, Dominick, Keigen, Payton, and Kaile. Also surviving are her brothers, Harvey Mills of Burlington, Kenneth Mills and companion Janie Walls of Kokomo; sisters, Evelyn Furber of New Haven, Conn., and Sandy (Terry) Aschleman of Galveston. Lorraine was preceded in death by her parents and an infant son, David J. McLay. Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, August 20, 2011 at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home with Pastor Kenny Cole officiating. Burial will follow in Springdale Cemetery, Bunker Hill. Friends may call 3 to 7 p.m. Friday, at the funeral home. Arrangements have been entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. 3 rd St., Peru. Memorial contributions may be made to the Diabetes Association.

Nancy Rae (Bakehorn) Bell, age 69 of Florence Ky., formerly of Peru Ind., passed away Friday, August 12, 2011. Beloved mother, grandmother and sister. Daughter of Clifford and Mary Bakehorn of Peru Ind. Survived by her two sons and their spouses, Mark and Debbie Bell and David and Eunice Bell, three sisters and five brothers in Peru Ind., six grand children and four great grand children. Funeral service Friday, Aug. 19 at 2 p.m. with visitation beginning at noon at Stith Funeral Homes, 7500 US 42, Florence Ky., 41042. Condolences to www.stithfuneralhomes.com. Donations in her honor to Women's Crisis Center at www.WCCKY.ORG. Augusta, GA - SSG James Wilbur Claiborne Ryan, U.S. Army, retired, 86, beloved husband of 60 years to Bernice Margery Doel Ryan, of Ohio Ave, entered into eternal glory, Saturday, Aug. 13, 2011 at the Charlie

Norwood Veterans Administration Medical Center. Funeral services will be held Thursday, August 18, at 3 p.m. from Fleming Baptist Church, 3027 Peach Orchard Rd, with Pastor Billy Atkins officiating. Interment will follow in Hillcrest Memorial Park. Mr. Ryan was born in South Bend, Ind., on Dec. 15, 1924, to Carmen Mary Morris Ryan and Kenneth Leon Ryan. Most of his childhood was spent in Miami and Wabash Counties in Indiana. He enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1947, beginning a military career of over 25 years. During his military service he was awarded numerous medals and commendations. Besides numerous domestic posts throughout the United States, he served his country overseas in Panama, England, Germany, France, Greenland, Vietnam, and Okinawa. Having received orders for South Korea in 1950 during the Korean War, his future was to be transformed when his orders were unexpectedly changed to an assignment in England instead. Through a chance encounter there, he met the young English servicewoman in the Royal Air Force who was to become his wife for nearly 61 years, and the mother of his seven sons. The Ryan family came to Augusta in 1962, following then Specialist Ryan's assignment to civil affairs at Fort Gordon. Following overseas assignments to Greenland, Vietnam, and Okinawa, he returned to Fort Gordon and retired in 1972 as a staff sergeant with the Signal Corps, choosing to make Augusta the permanent home for his family. He then attended and graduated from Augusta College (now Augusta State University) with a Bachelor's degree. He worked for several years in administration for the Salvation Army. Mr. Ryan was a lifelong member of the Miami Nation of Indians in Indiana, where he was known as "Mishikinawa" (Little Turtle) of the Mongosa clan, named after the great Miami Indian warchief. He was very proud of his native heritage from his mother, and passed this pride to his children. He was the last surviving member of the Miami Indian Pageants from the 1920's and his family tribal photograph from the 1927 pageant was prominently displayed in his home. Mr. Ryan was a member of Fleming Baptist Church and was previously a member of Burns Memorial United Methodist Church, where he and his wife sang for many years in the choir. He was also a member of the Men's Club, the Happy Club, and Urban Ministries. He was an avid photographer and gardener. He was also a voracious reader throughout his adult life and a frequent patron of the Appleby Library. Even as his Alzheimer's disease steadily progressed in his later years and impaired other activities, he retained his passion for his daily crossword puzzles. To the very end, he continued to entertain family and visitors with songs and hymns. Although grieving his passing, his family rejoices in the certain knowledge that he is now at rest in the heavenly kingdom. His family would like to give special thanks to Ms. Jalecia Holmes of Rest Assured LLC, and Mrs. Bobby Montgomery and the other members of the homebound ministry of Fleming Baptist Church for all of their help and care during Mr. Ryan's final years. Mr. Ryan was preceded in death by his parents; two younger brothers, Kenneth Leland Ryan and Paul Nathaniel Ryan; his eldest son, Kevin W. Ryan; his niece Elizabeth M. Ryan, and his great grandson Jody Nathaniel Clyburn. In addition to his beloved wife, he is survived by his sons, James A. Ryan and his wife, Eileen, of McKinney, Texas, Steven P. Ryan, Patrick W. Ryan and his wife, Teresa, of Aubrey, Texas, Jeffrey M. Ryan, of Augusta, Ga., Timothy D. Ryan, Sr. and his wife, Alisa, of Hephzibah, Ga., and Christopher S. Ryan and his wife, Carolyn, of Sanger, Texas; seventeen grandchildren: William F. Ryan, Robert W. Ryan, Shannan D. Ryan, Clinton Ryan, Travis Ryan, Jonathan D. Ryan, Jason M. Ryan (Heather), Kristen Mary Ryan, Kyle A. Ryan, Damon P. Stagakes, Emily S. Ryan Romig (Justin), Timothy David Ryan, Jr., Jeffrey Paul Ryan, Alan J. Ryan, Meagan E. Ryan, Dorothy K. Ryan, and Sean David Hinson; and seven great grandchildren. If so desired memorial contributions may be made to the Fleming Baptist Church Building Fund, 3027 Peach Orchard Rd, Augusta, Ga., 30906, or to the Alzheimer's Association, 1899 Central Ave, Augusta, Ga., 30904. The family will receive friends Wednesday, Aug. 17, from 7 until 9 p.m. at the funeral home. Chance & Hydrick Funeral Directors 2502 Richmond Hill Road, Augusta, Georgia 30906. www.chanceandhydrick.com

Wednesday, August 17, 2011

Carl W. "Bud" Black, 85, resident of Bennetts Switch was a loving husband, father, and grandfather who died peacefully at home surrounded by his family and flew away to be with our Lord, His Savior, Jesus Christ, at 11:38 a.m., Sunday, August 14, 2011. Born Jan. 13, 1926 in Peru, he was the son of Orlie P. and Fern (Griswold) Black. He was the husband of Betty L. (Hall, May, Langley) Black who survives. They were married May 1, 1982 in Kokomo at Gospel Light Mission. He retired as a toolmaker from Delco Electronics, on Aug. 30, 1987 after 27 years of service. Previously, he was employed at Square D in Peru where he had been president of Local 2069 IAM. Bud was a fun loving man who liked sports, especially golf and basketball. He enjoyed his morning coffee, took on the challenge of daily crossword puzzles for years, and enjoyed a lively game of cards with family and friends. He was a member of McGrawsville U.M. Church, Battle of Bulge Veterans, Disabled Vets, Golden Acorn Reunion Assc. and UAW Retirees # 292. He was very proud of his tour of duty in Europe during World War II. He was awarded the Bronze Star, Purple Heart, Good Conduct, American Theater, European Theater with 3 Battle Stars, Victory Medal and German Occupation medals along with the Combat Infantry Badge and Presidential Citation. He is survived by his wife, Betty L. Black, Bennetts Switch, Daughter and Son-in-law, Lana and Michael Bullock, Charlotte, N.C., grandson Peter J. (Alex) Bullock, Charlotte, N.C., great granddaughter, Whitney Dibble, Calif., and great-great grandchildren, Hannah Rose and Shiloh Paige also of Calif.; granddaughter Stacey L. Bullock, Beverly, Mass., grandson, Jesse J. Bullock, Largo, Fla.; great granddaughters, Stephanie Stinson, N.C. and Brooke Stinson, Ala.; grandson, Jason M. Bullock, Salem, Mass.; granddaughter, Davina L. (Chris) Haywood, Stanley, N.C.; great granddaughter, Sarah and great grandson Samuel both of Stanley, N.C.; step son, Shane A. (Beth) May, Waupecong, Ind.; step grandchildren, Brooke Nicole and Blake Hunter May, Waupecong, Ind.; step daughter, Wendi (Erik) Atkinson, Bennetts Switch, Ind.; step grandchildren, Khyrstin Leigh Chance and Dylan L. Chance, Peru, Ind., and Gabriela Grace Atkinson, Bennetts Switch, Ind.; extended family, Josh (Rachelle) Chance, Peru, Brandon Cook, Kokomo; Haydon Chance, Peru; Gary and Jackie May, Greentown; P.D. and Charleen Childers, Amboy; biological children, Terry L. Black, Peru; Wayne A. (Berta) Black, Denver, Ind.; grandchildren, Adam (Cindy) Black, Texas;

great grandchildren, Alex and Kyle Black, Texas; Ashley Black, Peru, Ind.; biological daughter, Jayne E. Black, Peru; brother and sisters, Rosetta Burns, Ft. Wayne, Ind.; Ruth Grady, Peru; Marge Edwards, Mesa, Ariz.; Mary Hoagland, Peru; Pat McIntosh, Kalamazoo, Mich.; Jerry L. (Glenda) Black, Cantonment, Fla.; Nancy (Dennis) Norris, Twelve Mile; brother and sisters-in-law, Harold (Pat) Hall, Kokomo; Villa Humphrey, Salem, Ind.; Ruby Lee, Kokomo, Ind., and a host of nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, grandparents, brother John A. (Jack) Black of Lompoc, Calif.; grandson Aaron Black, sisters-in-law, Traudel Black and Bea Black; brothers-in-law, Dick Grady, Murrell Edwards, Hal McIntosh, Max Burns and Raymond Hoagland. A celebration of Bud's life will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, August 18, at McGrawsville United Methodist Church, 9377 South 300 East, Amboy, Ind., 46911 with Rev. Kenny Cole and Rev. Steve Austin officiating. Friends may call at the church from 11 a.m. until service time at 1 p.m. Flowers may be sent directly to the church. Memorial contributions may be made to McGrawsville United Methodist Church, Amboy. Arrangements were entrusted to Murray Weaver Funeral Home in Galveston. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.murrayweaverfuneralhome.com. The family would like to extend a personal Thank You to all the staff at Golden Living Center, Kokomo and Southerncare Hospice and Dr's. Westrom, Frappier and Scheffler and their staff, for their excellent care of Bud during his illness.

Carol Elaine Laycock, 68, of rural Roann, Indiana, died at 9:42 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 16, 2011 at Wabash County Hospital. She was born April 26, 1943 in Wabash, Ind. to Clifford and Maxine (Easterday) Boring. She married Philip A. Laycock in Wabash on Oct. 14, 1967. Carol worked at General Tire in Wabash, Wabash Healthcare Center, and Doud's Orchard. She was a member of the Christian Heritage Church in Wabash. She enjoyed baking, cooking, and flower gardening. She is survived by her husband, Philip A. Laycock of Roann; four children Sonya Scaggs of Lucerne, Ind., Bryan W. (Brenda Helvey) Laycock of Wabash, Scott A. Laycock of Roann, and Cindy (Bill) May of Seymour, Tenn.; four grandchildren, Michael Scott Cunningham of Phoenix, Ariz., David Lee (Adaline) Cunningham of Lucerne, Casey Rae Laycock of Silver Lake, Ind., and Rick Scaggs, Jr. of Warsaw, Ind.; great-grandson, Tristan Michael Cunningham of Lucerne; two sisters, Beverly Kernel of Kokomo, Ind., and Patty (Don) Smith of Wabash; two brothers, Larry (Karen) Boring of Lagro, Ind., and Charles (Juanita) Boring of Peru, Ind. She was preceded in death by her sister, Barbara Cassiday. Funeral services will be held at Christian Heritage Church, 2776 River Road, Wabash, on Saturday, Aug. 20, 2011 at 10:30 a.m. with Pastor Tim Prater officiating. Burial will be in Roann Community Cemetery, Roann. Friends may call 4 to 8 p.m. Friday at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 1241 Manchester Ave. Wabash, and one hour prior to the service at the church. The memorial guest book for Carol may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com.

Donald Eugene Fouts, 84, rural Peru passed away at 7:20 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 15, 2011 at Dukes Memorial Hospital in Peru, Indiana. Born on December 27, 1926 on his family farm in northern Miami County, he was the son of Alvin Isaac and Alice Edna Gottschalk Fouts. He was married to Nell Jane Howard on Oct. 31, 1946 at the home of the late Rev. C.F. Golden near Denver, and she survives. Don was a farmer and enjoyed working and living off of his family's land. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, and woodworking. He also retired from Peru Utilities. Survivors include his five children, Howard E. Fouts and his wife Dorothy, Frankfort, Kentucky; Donna M. Leedy, Peru; Gina D. France and her husband Mike, Phoenix, Arizona; Christina J. Crowe and husband David, Brookston; and Vern K. Fouts, Peru; nine grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by an infant son and one brother, Gerald Fouts. Graveside services will be held at 2 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 19, 2011 at Greenlawn Cemetery, Mexico. Memorial contributions may be made to the Parkinson's Foundation and can be sent through the funeral home. McClain Funeral Home, Denver has been entrusted with arrangements. James Joseph Holmes passed away at Dukes Hospital in Peru due to complications from diabetes, and heart problems. He was born in Cincinnati, Ohio on October 6, 1949 to James Milton and Ruth Comello Holmes, both deceased. James had lived in Peru since 2003. He was a truck driver. Survivors include his daughter Ginny Dickerhoff and husband Shawn, Peru; his brothers, John Holmes and wife Terri, Mark Holmes and wife Jennifer, Anthony Holmes and wife Jennifer; sisters Kathy Holmes Sabato and husband Thomas, Monica Holmes Atkinson and husband Gilbert, Patrice Holmes Atkinson and husband Rick, and Valerie Holmes Bradley. He is also survived by five grandchildren, Hailey Paige Dickerhoff, Lindsey Marie Roberts, Cari Lynn Roberts, Blaine Duke, and Michael Dickerhoff. He was preceded in death by his parents. Arrangements are entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. 3rd St., Peru.

Friday, August 19, 2011

Alexis Hamilton-Miller, 19, Rochester, died at 4:22 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 17, 2011. Service at 10 a.m. Monday, Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18 th St., Rochester. Visitation 2-6 p.m. Sunday, one hour prior to service.

Kenneth L. Hasselkus, 80, of Peru, passed away at 5:15 a.m., Friday, Aug. 19, 2011 at St. Vincent Heart Center of Indiana, Indianapolis. He was born June 26, 1931 in Elmore, Ohio the son of Willet and Freida Bergman Hasselkus. Kenny married Coral Smith in Elmore, Ohio on July 10, 1954 and she survives. Kenny was a graduate of Toledo University with a degree in chemical engineering and was also a graduate of the Chrysler School of Engineering. He was a former co-owner and chief engineer of National Friction in Logansport, Ind. He was a member of the St. John's Lutheran Church where he has served in various capacities including executive director, youth director, Christian Education Director, treasurer and he also sang in the church choir. Kenny was a recipient of the Sycamore of the Wabash from Governor Otis Bowen and was the Peru Citizen of the Year in 1989. He also served on the Board of Directors of the American Trust Federal Savings Bank. Kenny was an avid

supporter and member of the Peru Amateur Circus where he has served as President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Producer. He also designed and built many of the riggings currently used in the circus and drove the circus bus for all the circus road shows. Surviving in addition to his wife Coral are his daughters Kathy Fink and her husband Rick, of Prosper, Texas, Kim Struble and her husband Mike of Peru, Ind., sons Kenneth Hasselkus, Jr. and his wife Judy of Indianapolis, Ind., and Kris Hasselkus and his wife Marci of Peru, grandchildren Megan Black and her husband Zach, Maddie Struble, Michelle Struble, Mallory Struble, Vanya Fink, Nikki Fink and Tyler Stites and a sister Donna Dittman of Cheyenne, Wyo. He was preceded in death by his parents, a brother Loren Hasselkus and a son David Hasselkus. A memorial service celebrating the life of Kenneth L. Hasselkus will be 10 a.m., Monday, Aug. 22, 2011 at the St. John's Lutheran Church, 181 West Main Street, Peru with Pastor Kenneth Greenwald officiating. Family and friends will gather from 1-5 p.m., Sunday at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main St., Peru. In lieu of flowers memorials donations may be made through the funeral home to the St. John's Lutheran Church or the Circus City Festival Inc. Online condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Robert H. Jones, Jr. "Bonor" "Bob"

The world has lost a great friend, brother, uncle, cousin and most of all a Dad and Papaw. **Bob** also known as Bonor, passed away suddenly at his residence in Peru. Bob was from Hillsdale, where he grew up. He lived in Saint Bernice for approximately 15 years and then moved to Peru in 2008. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy. Bonor had lots of friends and family to each he had a special bond. He married Christine Freed (Swaim) and had his only child Marty Jo (Jones) Kienenger and became a stepdad to Scot and Cary Freed. He later found a new love with Susie (Karen) Jones, and he and Susie raised their grandson Brady Jones. Preceding him in death was his mother and father Mary Jo Jones (Gordon) and Robert H. Jones Sr. He is survived by his daughter Marty Jo (Robert) Kieninger, step children Scott and Cary Freed. Grandchildren Brady Jones, Kody and Katy Jo Kieninger. Sisters Pam (Jones) Dailey and Debbie Jones. Nieces and nephews Joseph Jones, Collena and Sabrina Dailey, Kasyn and Marley Jones, several cousins and extended family. A celebration of life will be on Friday, Aug. 19, starting at 4:20 p.m. at 5134 S. 360 E. Hillsdale (Debbie's house). Funeral Arrangements are entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home.

Scott Anthony Melton Jr., 30, Peru, died Aug. 14, 2011. Calling Friday 4-6 p.m. at Congregational Christian Church, North Manchester. Service 6 at p.m. Friday at the church. Arrangements entrusted to McKee Mortuary, North Manchester.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Sunday, August 21, 2011

Christine "Tina" Allen died Saturday, Aug. 20, 2011. Service: noon Wednesday, Delong Gospel Lighthouse Church, Delong. Visitation: 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Burial will be in Leiter's Ford IOOF Cemetery.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Sunday, August 21, 2011

Delton L. Ramsey, 71, of Vinton, Va., passed away on Friday, Aug. 19, 2011. He was preceded in death by his parents, Paul and Bernice Ramsey; brother, W. Deane Ramsey; and granddaughter, Samantha Cundiff. He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Nancy Crill Ramsey; three daughters, Kristina (William) Poff, Stacy (Rick) Cundiff, Sherri (Rodney) Soldorfen; one son, Steven Ramsey; nine grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; sister, Bonniebelle (Norman) Horner; two brothers, Don (Marlene) Ramsey, Dale (Doris) Ramsey; and sister-in-law, LaVerna Ramsey. The family will receive friends on Sunday, Aug. 21, 2011 from 4 to 6 p.m. at Oakey's Vinton Chapel. A graveside service will be held on Wednesday, Aug. 24, at 11 a.m. at the Santa Fe Cemetery in Santa Fe, Indiana with the Rev. Dwight Elliott officiating. Arrangements by Oakey's Funeral Service, Vinton, VA, (540) 982-2221, and Laird-Eddy Funeral Home, Amboy, (765) 395-7271.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Sunday, August 21, 2011

Edward F. Birk, 94, formerly of Macy, died Sunday, Aug. 21, 2011. Service: 2 p.m. Wednesday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver. Visitation: noon to 2 p.m. at the funeral home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, August 23, 2011

C. Robert Miller, 92, of Amboy, passed away at 9:47 p.m., Monday, Aug. 22, 2011 at Caring Hands Health and Rehab, Peru. He was born in North Grove, on Oct. 30, 1918 the son of Charles V. and Rella Buzbe Miller. Bob married Juanita L King in Howard County, on Feb. 6, 1939 and she preceded him in death on Dec. 6, 2008. Bob attended Amboy High School, was a U.S. Marine Corp veteran, and was employed as a millwright at Chrysler Corp. retiring in 1992. He is survived by his sons, Robert L. Miller of Converse, and Thomas Miller and his wife Laura of Amboy; grandchildren, Tracy (Scott) Brown, Lorinda (Buff) Fuller, Rae (Joe) Maus, Tod (Kassie) Miller and Juanita (Josh) Roy; great-grandchildren, Daric (Kristin) Fuller, Morgan Fuller, Taylor Schuck, Toby (Ashley) Miller, Kaysi Miller, Janette Miller, Lori Miller, Josh Roy, Carmin Roy and Sidney Roy; great-great-grandchildren, Ahnaiah Miller and Cai Lea Miller. He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, Juanita and a brother Merlin Miller. Graveside services for C. Robert Miller will be held at 11 a.m., Thursday, Aug. 25, 2011 at the Bond Cemetery with Pastor Steve Austin officiating. Arrangements have been entrusted to Laird-Eddy Funeral Home, Amboy. Online condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, August 23, 2011

Lillie Colwell, 67, Peru, died 1:15 p.m. Monday, Aug. 22, 2011 at Dukes Hospital. She was born in Cutchin, Ky. on Jan. 3, 1944 to George and Cora (Boggs) Turner. She married Clen Colwell Dec. 8, 1963 and he survives. Lillie was a homemaker, formerly employed at Memcor, Olin, Peru Animal Shelter and the Peru Nursing Home. She loved spending time with her family and friends, fishing, bowling and going to garage sales. She is survived by her husband; four children, George (Julie) Colwell, Peru, Bill (Jill) Colwell, Greentown, Theresia (companion Rick Hunt) Pogue, Peru, Cathy (Frank) Jones, Garrett; eight grandchildren, Angel Colwell, Tim Colwell, Michael Camp, Christopher Camp, Meghan Jones, Zakkary Colwell, Justin Colwell and Logan Colwell; and two sisters, Mae Boggs and Mallie Cress, both of Yeaddiss, Ky. Lillie was preceded in death by her parents; and four sisters, Alice Lewis, Mary Turner, Sylvania Griffith and Callie Stith. A funeral service will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., with Pastor Paul Boss officiating. Burial will be in Mount Hope Cemetery. Friends may call from 3 to 7 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.



Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, August 23, 2011

Lillie Colwell, 67, died at 1:15 p.m. Monday, Aug. 22, 2011 at Dukes Memorial Hospital. Arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.



Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, August 23, 2011

Neher, Mary "Birdena" Bowyer, (100), of Camden, Peru, Ft. Wayne, and Trafalgar, Ind. and most recently Tampa, Fla., joined her Lord and Savior on Aug. 18, 2011. The world was honored when she was born Sept. 10, 1910. A blessed child of God, devoted lover and feeder of the wild birds that frequented her yard, she lived her life with love, grace, dignity, and service to her Lord, her family, and the community, an inspiration of faith and integrity to all who knew her. She was predeceased by her parents, Alvin Wheeler Bowyer and Rosa Etta Timmons Bowyer; her husband of sixty-four (64) years, Wilbur Herschel Neher; a son, John Richard (Dick) Neher; brothers, Anthony M. Bowyer, Alvin W. Bowyer, Jr., Theodore T. Bowyer; and sister, Clara Bowyer Minnick. She is survived by her children, Herschel "Dean" Neher (Judith) of Tampa, Fla., Rosemae Neher Townsend (Kenneth) of Trafalgar,

Ind., James Alvin Neher (Lynn) of Ft. Wayne, Ind., and Dick's wife, Sherry Neher, of Ft. Wayne. She was "Grammie" to grandchildren, Rhonda Bruckman, Kelly Harrell (Brod.) Ellen Mae Paris (Rick,) Diana Beth Skoronsky (Jim,) Kristi Davisson (Craig,) Lee Townsend, Melissa Phelps (Bradley), and Rebecca Quaintance (Shaun), Angie James (Wes) and Charity Fesler. She was loved by her great-grandchildren Jon and Steven Bruckman (Emily), Kristin Reitz (Nathan) and Karinne Slezak (Zach), Meagan Wilmers (Craig), Amy Church, Brandy Harrell and Brittney Bridges (Casey), Ryan, Brandon, and Kendall Paris, Carolyn and Kathryn Davisson, Nathan and Hayley Quaintance, Nicholas Phelps, Caroline, Mary Wesley, and Charles James; and her great great-grandchildren, Brianna Paris, Jewellann and Brodrick Bridges, Ashur and Trinity Slezak, Tyler Wilmers. She has left her inprint on many beloved nieces and nephews. For years she worked as an "Avon Lady" and worked at Senger's in Peru, Indiana. She served for 13 years as Miami County Chairman of the March of Dimes/Mothers' March on Polio. A long-time member and Deaconess in the American Baptist Convention and Oakdale Baptist Church in Peru, she taught the High School Sunday School classes for many years, sang in the choir, served as chair of the Spiritual Growth Committee both at the local and state association levels. She was president of the Missionary Society, president and secretary of United Church Women at Oakdale Baptist Church, Peru, Ind., and in the local association. "Birdena" served on the School Board at Peru, Ind., and was president of the High School and County PTA in the Peru/Miami County areas. She was a volunteer for many years at Northwood Elementary in Franklin as a Grammie to kindergartners. Her life meant something to all who knew, served with, and loved her. She is missed by those who take comfort in knowing she is with the Lord. A celebration of her almost 101 years will be held at Swartz Family Community Mortuary and Memorial Center 300 South U.S. 31 (Morton Street) in Franklin, Ind., on Saturday, Aug. 27th at 1 p.m. with interment following in Camden Cemetery in Camden, Ind. Calling hours will be held from 5-7 p.m. on Friday and one hour prior to the celebration at the mortuary. Memorial contributions may be made to the Hospice Association that supported her final days in Tampa, Fla. Online condolences and/or memories shared may be sent to www.swartzmortuary.com. Information 317-738-0202.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, August 23, 2011

Norma Jean Brown, nee Cape, 68, of Bourbon, Mo., formerly of Steelville, Missouri, passed away Sunday, Aug. 14, 2011 at Missouri Baptist Hospital in Sullivan, Mo. She was born Aug. 1, 1943 in Steelville to Wilbur Russell Cape and Elaine Wilkerson Cape. Norma was united in marriage to Leon Brown and to this union two daughters were born. Norma grew up in Steelville and graduated from Steelville High School in 1961. She later moved and lived in different states and ended up in Indiana. In the late 90's, she moved back to her home area. Norma had been living in the Cuba Manor since December of 2007. Norma loved to read and especially her Bible. She also enjoyed working word search puzzles and watching game shows. For years, she loved collecting dishes and trinkets. She was known by her family for being very particular about her cars. Even as a young lady she always kept her cars cleaned and washed. Norma loved her children and grandchildren very much and they were the light of her life. She will be sadly missed and lovingly remembered by her two daughters, Sherry Loshnowsky of Peru, Ind. and Sharon Donaldson, of Mexico, Ind.; three brothers, Wayne Cape and wife Sue of Cuba, Mo., Harold Cape and

wife Virginia of Steelville, Mo., and Edwin Cape and wife Marion of Collinsville, Okla.; four grandchildren, Jonah, Lucy, Joel and Joshua; nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents; and one sister, Flora Sidebottom and husband Joseph. Visitation was held at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 17, 2011 at the Britton-Bennett Funeral Home in Steelville, Mo. Funeral services were held on Aug. 17, 2011 at the Britton-Bennett Funeral Home in Steelville, Mo., with Pastor Don Martin officiating. Interment was in the Hibler Cemetery, Steelville. Mo.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, August 25, 2011

Gary Bahney, 59, Macy, passed away Tuesday, Aug. 23, 2011 at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester. Visitation is 2-8 p.m. today at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron. Funeral will be 10 a.m. Friday.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, August 25, 2011

Ralph Dale Brown, 74, of Denver, passed away at 8:45 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 24, 2011 at Logansport Memorial Hospital, Logansport. He was born in Gilead, August 1937, the son of George W. Brown and Beatrice (Hunt) Brown. Ralph married Inalee D. Metzger, June 23, 1956 and she survives. Ralph served in the U.S. Marine Corps and retired from the Miami County Highway Department as a truck driver. He coached, umpired the Youth League at Denver and Mexico, he also umpired at Maconaquah Park. He liked Indiana University, Green Bay Packers, Notre Dame Football and the New York Yankees Baseball. Surviving along with his wife are his children, daughters Monica and husband Mark Lowe, Twelve Mile, Melody and husband David Yocum, Denver, sons Merlin Brown, Denver, Martin and his wife Shawn, of Wabash, brother Kenneth Brown, Peru, sister Georgia Reed, Wabash, nine grandchildren and one great granddaughter. Ralph was preceded in death by his parents. The pallbearers for Ralph will be Drew Yocum, Damon Yocum, Dylan Yocum, Tony Brown, Joey Brown, Austin Brown, Tyler Lowe and Dal Metzger. Services will be held Saturday, 10 a.m. at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home 105 West Third St., Peru with Pastor Wayne Balmer officiating. Friends may call from 4 – 8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. Burial will be a Westlawn Cemetery in Denver. There will be a military Committal Service at the cemetery.



Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, August 25, 2011

Raymond Arthur Keyes, Jr., 81, passed away, Thursday, Aug. 11, 2011, at his residence. Survivors include his beloved wife of 62 years Jacqueline Jackson Keyes of Fort Walton Beach, one son: Raymond A. Keyes, III and his wife Barbara of Peru and granddaughters: Shana Peconga and her husband Jim of St. Petersburg, Fla., Lindsay Black and her husband Parker of Noblesville, Lauren Barnes and her husband Blake of Peru and Hillary Keyes of Carmel, one great grandson: Mason Barnes and three great granddaughters: Sydney Barnes, Mackenzie Black and Peyton Black. Graveside services will be held at 11 a.m., Saturday, Aug. 27 at Mt. Hope Cemetery, Peru, with Pastor Tim Powers officiating. Arrangements have been entrusted to Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, Peru.



Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, August 25, 2011

Richard M. Green, 78, of rural Kokomo, passed away at 12:30 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 24, 2011, at St. Joseph Hospital, Kokomo. He was born in Howard County on Dec. 4, 1932, the son of Vaughn M. and LaVonne Overman Green. Dick married Phyllis Morgan at the Cassville United Methodist Church June 1, 1952 and she survives. Dick was a graduate of Clay Township High School and was employed at Delco Electronics in Kokomo until his retirement in 1995 he was also a retired Miami County Farmer. He was a member of the Cassville UMC, and attended the Bennetts Switch United Methodist Church. Dick had a passion for living, which one couldn't help but notice. He had an infectious love for life, family and friends. He and his wife, Phyllis, enjoyed attending all of their grandchildren's activities and traveling together. Surviving along with his wife of more than 59 years, Phyllis, are his children, David Green of Frankfort, Michael Green and his wife Debbie of Atlanta and Anne Gable and her husband Jack of Peru; grandchildren, Dustin Green, Michael Green, Matthew Green, Mark Green, Nicholas Green, Lyndi Gable and Megan Gable; great-grandchildren, Ronin Green, Elijah Green, Israel, Green and Miles Green; and a sister, Joyce Freed and her husband Stan of Chester, Va. A service celebrating the life of Richard M. Green will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 27, 2011 at the Laird-Eddy Funeral Home, 201, North Main Street, Amboy, with Pastor Norm Snyder officiating. Burial will be in Park Lawn Cemetery in Amboy. Family and friends will gather from 4 – 8 p.m. Friday at the Laird-Eddy Funeral Home. Memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to the Cassville United Methodist Church or the Bennetts Switch United Methodist Church. Online condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, August 25, 2011

Wanita R. Grimes, 87, passed away Wednesday, August 24, 2011 at Miller's Merry Manor, Peru. Arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, Peru.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, August 26, 2011

Daniel Jay Dalton, 51, of rural Wabash, died at 3:05 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 24, 2011 at Wabash County Hospital. He was born April 13, 1960 in Peru to William Glen Dalton and Doris Mae (Correll) Dalton Bates. Dan married Glenna Harris in Wabash on June 6, 1980. He worked for Thermafiber in Wabash since 1979. He was a member of the First Church of the Nazarene in Peru. Dan loved going to car shows, reading car magazines, and enjoyed reading his Bible. He is survived by his wife, Glenna Dalton; mother, Doris Mae Bates; 2 children, Alicia Dalton, and James (Shannon) Dalton; and 4 grandchildren, Tristan Dunnagan, Trinity Dalton, Trinton Dalton, and Trayton Dalton, all of Wabash; 3 sisters, Glenda Dalton of Twelve Mile, Darlene (Carl) Tyson of Peru, and Deborah Hecker of Wabash; and his brother, Greg (Melody) Dalton of Fulton. He was preceded in death by his father, 2 brothers, Dale and Jeffery Dalton, and his sister, Teresa Dalton. Funeral services will be held at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 1241 Manchester Ave. Wabash on Monday, Aug. 29, 2011 at 10:30 a.m. with Pastor Tony Winter officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery, Servia. Friends may call 2-6 p.m. Sunday and one hour prior to service Monday at the funeral home. Preferred memorial is First Church of the Nazarene. The memorial guest book for Dan may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com.



Peru Tribune, Peru, Indiana - Saturday, August 27, 2011 12:01 am

Kerry Wayne Daine, 63, Akron, was surrounded by his loving family when he passed away at the home of his daughter Wendy Keith at 1:40 a.m. Wednesday morning. He was born in Rochester, on Sept. 9, 1947, to Cleotis and Ruth Groninger Daine. Growing up as one of four children, he shared his childhood with two brothers Mark and Larry and a sister Connie. Kerry was a proud Warrior, graduating in the class of 1965 from North Miami High School. Following high school he served our country as a member of the Army National Guard. During his six year stint he was stationed in Panama training as a paratrooper and a missions specialist. With an appetite for speed Kerry enjoyed drag racing at the Bunker Hill Speedway Drag Strip. A master mechanic he tweaked the engine, maximizing the performance. He also was a valuable member of Bob Horn's dragsters team pit crew. Kerry's pride and joy was his legendary 1966 Chevy Chevelle, that he proudly owned till his passing. More recently his racing interests turned to NASCAR. #48 Jimmy Johnson was his favorite driver. As an armchair quarterback, Kerry cheered for Notre Dame, Da' Bears, the Cubs. Relaxing at home he listened to the Beatles, CCR and Don McLean. Many times recently his loyal canine companion Charlie comforted him while they shared a favorite chair. A gifted athlete, Kerry enjoyed all sports, from bowling to baseball, racing to golf. Hitting the links at Mill Creek or the Elks courses, he boasted a two-stroke handicap, driving with power and putting with finesse. Kerry treasured the friendship and camaraderie of his buddies Don, Dave, Randy and Bobby. They spent many good times competing on the golf course or seated at the card tables playing spirited games of Texas Holdem' or rummy. Kerry's memberships include the American Legion post #0402 of Laketon, Fraternal Order of the Eagles, VFW Post #1343 and the Elks Lodge #2120 all of Rochester. Kerry will be lovingly remembered by his daughter, Wendy Keith and husband Scott of Deedsville; a brother, Larry Daine and wife Jennifer, of Macy; lifelong friend, Patsy "Pat" Hunter Rowe, Peru; two grandsons, Garrett Scott Keith and Hunter Nelson Keith; a niece, Dawn Buman and her daughters, Sierra, Zoey and Blayklee; special cousin, Francie Daine, of Florida; feline companion, Roxy, a domestic long hair; canine companion, Charlie, a black lab; and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins also survive. He was preceded in death by his parents, a sister Connie Daine in 2007, a brother Mark Daine in 1990, and several aunts and uncles. A celebration of the life of Kerry Daine will be at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 27, 2011 in the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Chaplain Steve Fleck will officiate. Friends may visit with his family from 10-2 on Saturday. Military rites will be accorded by the Leroy Shelton American Legion # 36 and the Veterans of Foreign Wars #1343. Memorials in lieu of flowers may be made to the Woodlawn Foundation, St. Vincent's Sixth Floor Oncology or Hope Hospice. Sign Kerry's online guestbook and view his photo gallery at www.goodfamilyfh.com.

Peru Tribune, Peru, Indiana - Monday, August 29, 2011 12:01 am

Marilyn "Jo" Comer Inglehearn, 75, died 8:50 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 28, 2011 at Caring Hands Health and Rehab in Peru. She was born April 30, 1936 in Peru, the daughter of Albert and Mary (Whitcomb) Comer. She was an Army veteran and worked at Redmon's Basket Factory. She was an avid Colt's fan. She is survived by three sons, Curtis Inglehearn (wife Judy) of Peru, Eric Inglehearn (wife Cheryl) of Peru and Michael Inglehearn (wife Sandy) of Rochester; six grandchildren Angelea, Michael, William, Cameron, Preston and Ethan; brother Kent Comer (wife Cora) of Mesa, Ariz.; sisters Carolyn Lewis of Peru, Jane Holden, of Mexico, and Lynn Pierce (husband Joe) of Kingston, Tenn.; and several nieces and nephews, including Carrie Jo. She was preceded in death by her parents and one sister, Sue Gilleland. Services will be 3 p.m. Tuesday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral home, with Rev. Phil Pratt officiating. Friends may call from 1 p.m. until the time of service at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home. Burial will take place in Springdale Cemetery in Bunker Hill. The Miami County Military Rites team will have a military rites service at the cemetery.



Peru Tribune, Peru, Indiana - August 27, 2011

Darcy Kay McNary (Aug. 15, 1952 - Aug. 22, 2011)

Darcy Kay McNary, 59, Macy, passed away Monday, Aug. 22, 2011, at Kindred Transitional Care and Rehabilitation. She was born Aug. 15, 1952, in Peru, to the late Darrell Cunningham and Marilyn Sue Weaver Isaacs. Marilyn survives. Darcy was married to Richard "Scary" McNary. Richard passed away in 2004. Darcy graduated from Peru High School in 1970, and went on to work at NCIM Food Specialist with her brother. She loved to shop, cook, travel, watch the ocean and spend time with family and friends. She was a member of the Rochester Moose No. 1107, and the Peru VFW No. 309. Surviving are her brothers, Tim Wecht, Peru, and Darrell James, Silver Lake; mother, Marilyn Sue

Isaacs, Kokomo, and nieces and nephews, Stephanie, Joshua, Amy, Nevan and Aidan. She was preceded in death by her father, Darrell Cunningham; and one sister, Kelly Ann Smith. A memorial service will be at a later date at the Fraternal Order of Eagles in Peru. Ellers Mortuary Webster Street Chapel, 3400 S. Webster St., has been entrusted with the arrangements. Read Darcy's obituary at www.ellersmortuary.com, where you may sign the guest book, share a personal message or order flowers for the family.

Peru Tribune, Peru, Indiana - Tuesday, August 30, 2011 12:01 am

Shirley Ann (Fredrick) Smith, 79, Wabash, passed away Monday, August 29, 2011. Services are at 10:00 a.m. Thursday, September 1, 2011 at McDonald Funeral Home 231 Falls Ave., Wabash. Visitation is Wednesday from 4:00-8:00 p.m.

Pharos-Tribune (Logansport, IN) - Wednesday, August 31, 2011

PERU — **Laura McClafferty**, 72, Peru, died Saturday, Aug. 20, 2011, in Birmingham, Ala. Services will be at 3 p.m. Saturday at Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main St. in Peru, with the Rev. Francis I. Kilcline III officiating. Friends may call from 1:45 to 3 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to Habitat for Humanity or Hospice Foundation of America. Online condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.



Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, August 26, 2011

Gary L. Bahney, 59, Macy passed away at 11:56 a.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 23, 2011 at Woodlawn Hospital in Rochester. He was born July 3, 1952 in Fulton County to Bobbie L. Bahney and Bonnie J. Miller. On Oct. 2, 2004 in Roann, he married Pamela McKee, and she survives. Gary graduated from North Miami High School in 1970 and was currently employed as a maintenance lead man at Rochester Metal Products, where he had worked for more than 12 years. He was previously self-employed as Bahney Home Improvement for 25 years. He loved to hunt when he could find the time. Gary is survived by his wife Pam, Macy; four daughters – Beth and husband Shawn Carpenter, Warsaw, Lia and husband Jose Rosas of Warsaw, A'shel and husband Armando Ruiz, Warsaw, and Jessica Bahney of North Webster; five sons – Justin (Jake) and wife Mandy Gearhart, Akron, Josh Bahney, Perrysburg, Sean and wife

Tanya McKee, Rochester, Troy and wife Ashley McKee, Logansport, and Levi McKee of Macy. Survivors also include 21 grandchildren, four sisters – Diana and husband Mike Gehring of Macy, Kathy and husband Emrey Gahl, Macy, Cindy and husband Joe Tinney of Denver, and Trina Ousley of Denver; a brother, Dennis and wife Sandy Bahney of Tipton. Gary was preceded in death by his parents, two sisters, Diane and Judy, and a brother, Roy. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Aug. 26, 2011 at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Pastor Aaron Gross officiating. Burial will follow at Gilead Cemetery, Gilead, Indiana. Memorial contributions may be made to Levi McKee College Fund. Online condolences may be left at www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com



Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, August 26, 2011

Wanita R. "Neets" Grimes, 87, Peru, passed away at 1:40 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 24, 2011 Millers Merry Manor in Peru. She was born in Peru on April 2, 1924 to Charles and Marie (McKinley) Bowman, both deceased. On April 9, 1948 she married Joseph O. "Jo" Grimes. Wanita was a homemaker. Survivors include her husband Joseph; a son, Vern Grime and Lynn Stephenson of Peru; daughters Nancy Grimes of Peru, and Judy Grimes and Bobie Bookwalter of Peru; grandchildren Jo Grimes and wife Dawn, Angie Sparks, Zach Grimes and wife Laura, Adam Siders, Paul Grimes and wife Laurie, Christopher Grimes and wife Laurie, Christopher Grimes and wife Emily. Also surviving are 14 great-grandchildren and one great-great grandchild. Wanita was preceded in death by both parents, five brothers, one sister and one great-grandchild. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Monday,

Aug. 29, 2011 at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru, with Pastor George Dinkel officiating. Burial will follow at Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru. Friends may call 2-4 p.m. on Sunday, at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home. Suggested memorials may be made to Rosie's Retreat.

Peru Tribune, Peru, Indiana - Wednesday, August 31, 2011 12:01 am.

Helen Genevieve Hayes, 99, passed away Friday, Aug. 26, 2011 at 5:49 p.m. at Colonial Manor Nursing Home, with her family by her side. Helen was born on Dec. 29, 1911, in LaCrosse, to Dora and Samuel Miller and grew up in Hammond, with sisters, Fay, Mabel and Adeline who have all preceded her in death. She married William Eldridge Hayes July 11, 1931 and lived in Peru, Indiana where they raised two daughters and two sons. Her husband died in 1981 and Helen moved to Danville, Ill. two years later where she resided at the Vermilion House for 28 years. Helen was a devoted wife and mother and had many interests. She was a great cook, gardener, sewed, crocheted, quilted and made many crafts that her children handed down through generations to be enjoyed for many years in her memory. Helen was friendly and sociable and loved to have coffee with the neighbors, and met frequently at each other's home to play cards or have quilting parties. Helen always put her family first and she and her husband spent many hours with their children, attending their various activities and supporting them in meeting their goals. After moving to the Vermilion House, Helen's life took on a new direction. She met many new friends, traveled extensively to several states including Hawaii and Alaska, and to Europe. She attended all the activities at the Vermilion House including the craft club, bingo parties, potluck nights and rummage sales. She was a member of CrossRoads Christian Church and enjoyed volunteering at the Nursing Home in Chrisman, Ill. Helen also enjoyed two favorite soap operas and most of all, she was a Cub fan, never missing a game on T.V. Helen lived independently until she entered Colonial Manor last January. Missing her are her four surviving children Marcia (Roger) Moore of Danville, Ill., Barbara (Jack-deceased) Boyd of Marion, Samuel (Barbara) Hayes of Ft. Wayne, and Thomas (Jeanie) Hayes of Kokomo. Other survivors include nine grandchildren: Sandy (Bill) Bush of Danville, Ill., Gary (Annette) Moore of Indianapolis, Stacy (Blake) Nolan of Jasper, Richard Pollett of Muncie, Norman (Jo) Pollett of Toledo, Ohio, Amy Jenkins of Ossian, Adam (Andrea) Hayes of Noblesville, Holy (Kevin) Pike of Brownsburg, and Brian (Michelle) Hayes of Kokomo. Helen's other survivors include four nieces, 25 great-grandchildren and seven great-great-grandchildren. A Celebration of the Life of Helen Genevieve Hayes will be at 4 p.m. Friday, Sept. 2, 2011 at Sunset Funeral Home and Cremation Center, a Life Celebration Home, with Pastor Paul Ziebert officiating. A visitation will follow the service from 5-7 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. Burial will be at 1 p.m. EST Saturday at Mt. Hope Cemetery in Peru. Condolences may be sent to the family at: www.sunsetfuneralhome.com.

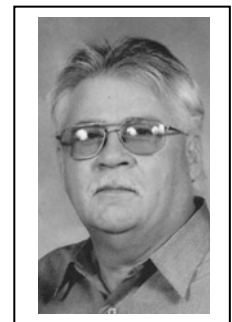


Peru Tribune, Peru, Indiana - Wednesday, August 31, 2011 12:01 am

Barb Panther age 85, died Sunday, Aug. 28, 2011 at her residence. Born in Gridley, Ill., she was a daughter of the late Alfred and Bernice Hany. Mrs. Panther was a member of St. Michael Catholic Church. Survivors include her husband, Norman L. Panther of Garden City; three sons, Michael Panther of Sunset, S.C., Allen Panther of Indianapolis, and Jim Panther of Peru; a daughter, Candy Waters of Garden City, S.C.; nine grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; sisters, Marge Davis of Peoria, Ill. and Mary Ann Howd of Washington, Ill. and a brother, Bob Hany of Bloomington, Ill. A funeral mass celebrating her life will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, Sept. 2, 2011 at St. Michael Catholic Church Garden City, S.C. with Father Ray Carlo officiating. Family will receive friends from 6-8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 1, 2011 at St. Michael Catholic Church. Sign a guestbook at www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to St. Michael Catholic Church Building Fund, 542 Cypress Ave. Garden City, SC 29576. Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel is in charge of the arrangements. Carl Richard (Rick) Cook, 9/1

Peru Tribune, Peru, Indiana - Thursday, September 1, 2011 12:00 am

William R. "Bill" Bockover, 67, of Peru, Ind. went to be with the Lord, Tuesday, Aug. 30, 2011, at 1:50 p.m. His wife, daughter and son were with him as he passed away at Parkview Hospital, Ft. Wayne. He was born in Miami County, living here all his life, June 14, 1944, the son of Freddie F. Bockover and Georgia (Spradling) Bockover. William married Gloria Ramer July 21, 1963 and she survives. William retired in 2002 from Square D after 38 years of service. He was a member of the Independent Christian Church, 120 W. 10th St., Peru, Ind. He enjoyed hunting, fishing and guns. He was a member of the National Rifle Association, the Moose, Eagles and the Peru Maennerchor. He enjoyed his family, mowing his yard and sitting out on his patio. Surviving along with his wife are his children, daughter Lisa Rene Bockover, Greentown, Ind., son William R. Bockover II and wife Rhonda, Franklin, Ind., two grandchildren Kelsey Lynn Bockover, and Spencer Ray Bockover. Also surviving is brother Howard and wife Lynn Bockover, Peru, Ind. He was preceded in death by his parents, and three brothers, Freddie, James "Jay" and John Bockover. A service will be held Saturday, Sept. 3, 2011 at 1 p.m. at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 West Third St., Peru, with Pastor Jeff Hightower officiating. Burial will be at Mt. Hope Cemetery, Peru. Friends may call at the Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home on Saturday from 11 a.m. until time of service. In lieu of flowers the family requests memorial contributions be made to the Independent Christian Fellowship Church at 120 W. 10th St., Peru, Ind. through the funeral home.



Friday, September 2, 2011 12:01 am

Carl R. "Rick" Cook, 58 of Peru, passed away at 9:15 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 31, 2011 at St. Joseph Hospital in Fort Wayne. He was born in Peru on Oct. 24, 1952 to Paul and Verna (Lytle) Cook. He was a member of the Peru Moose Lodge, and was retired from the Miami County Highway Department. Survivors include his companion, Amy Balsbaugh of Peru; a granddaughter Tristyn Cook of Pensacola, Fla.; two brothers, Verne A. Cook, Sr. and wife Nancy, and Ed Cook and wife Carolyn of Peru; sisters Nora Cook of Peru, Patricia Heineman of Peru, Anna Duncan and husband Tim of Peru, and Penny Cook, also of Peru. There will be graveside services at 12 p.m. Friday, at Ever-Rest Memorial Park in Cass County, with Pastor Phil Cruea officiating. Friends may call Friday from 11 a.m. until time of service at Ever-Rest Memorial Park Chapel. Love offerings may be made to the family through the funeral home. Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. 3rd St., Peru have been entrusted with arrangements.

Peru Tribune, Peru, Indiana - Friday, September 2, 2011 12:01 am

Mary Marie Ramsey, 81 of Bunker Hill, passed away at 2:45 a.m. on Monday, Aug. 29, 2011 at Waterford Place Health Campus in Kokomo. She was born Nov. 12, 1929 in Bunker Hill, to Melvin and Marie (O'Dell) Myers. Mary married Curtis Ramsey on Sept. 4, 1948 and he survives. Mary was a member of the Miami United Methodist Church, and had worked at Delco. She was a homemaker. Survivors include her husband Curtis; daughters Jane Ann Hopper and husband Rex, Kokomo; Rita Keb and husband John, Mishawake; a son, Dean Ramsey and wife Mary of Galveston; grandchildren Nicholas Hopper, Amanda McGarrell, Josh Hopper, Andrew Keb. Kate Anderson, Ryan Ramsey, and McKayla Ramsey. She is also survived by great-grandchildren Brynne Hopper, Delaney Hopper, Colin Hopper, and Elijah Anderson with two on the way. She is also survived by her brothers, John Myers of Bunker Hill and Harold Myers of Kokomo; two sisters, Carolyn Waters of Waterloo, Iowa and Shirley Miller of Bunker Hill. Mary was preceded in death by both parents, an infant daughter, one brother, and one sister. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 7, 2011 at Miami United Methodist Church, with the Reverends Ronald Waters and Garfield Judkins officiating. Burial will follow in the Galveston Cemetery, Galveston. Friends may call 3-8 p.m. on Tuesday at Allen Funeral Home, 136 S. Elm St., Bunker Hill. Memorials may be made to the Miami United Methodist Church.



Peru Tribune, Peru, IN - Saturday, September 3, 2011 12:00 am

Angelina Lewis, 82, of Peru, passed away at 6:48 a.m., Thursday, Sept. 1, 2011 at Miller's Merry Manor, Peru. She was born in Miami County, Sept. 15, 1928 the daughter of Peter and Filippa Russo Ergo. Angelina was a member of the St. Charles Catholic Church, the Altar Rosary Society and the Daughters of Isabella. She had been employed by Bryan Manufacturing, W.C. Redmon and Son and the former Bubble Light Company in Peru. She is survived by her daughter Pamela Lewis Pearce and her husband Brian of Peru; sons Dennis Lewis and his wife Lenetta of Syracuse, Ronald Lewis of Daytona, Fla., and Mark Lewis Ergo and his wife Fonell of Bellingham, Wash.; grandchildren Jason Lewis, Nathaniel Lewis, Amber Lewis Combs, Samuel Lewis and his wife Heather, Mikaela Lewis Wiggs and her husband John, SGT. Chad Pearce, Tricia Pearce Zabst and her husband Brad, Vanessa Ergo, Veno Ergo, Melanie Lewis Davis, Malina Lewis Johnson, 17 great-grandchildren and a sister Catherine Bates of Watauga, Texas. She was preceded in death by a son James Edward Lewis, Jr., grandsons Hunter Lewis and Kalvin Zabst, brothers John, Frank, and Tony Ergo and sisters Mary Borst, Rose Kent and Josephine Curton. A service celebrating the life of Angelina Lewis will be held at 11 a.m., Wednesday, Sept. 7, 2011 at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main St., Peru, with Deacon Truman Stevens officiating. Burial will be in the St. Charles Catholic Cemetery, Peru. Family and friends will gather from 3-7 p.m., Tuesday at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home. Online condolences may be made at eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, Peru, Indiana - Friday, September 2, 2011 12:01 am

Mary Vanator Brand (1924-2011)

Mary Vanator Brand, 87, of Columbus, Ind. died at 8:45 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 31, 2011 at Silver Oaks Health Campus. Mrs. Brand was a retired Avon District Manager and a member of Garden City Church of Christ and the Golden Harvesters at the church. She enjoyed sewing and was an excellent seamstress. A graveside service will be conducted at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Section 57 at Garland Brook Cemetery in Columbus with Virgil Clotfelter officiating. There will no visitation. Memorial contributions may be made to Garden City Church of Christ. Arrangements were made by Barks, Weaver & Glick Funeral Home. Online condolences may be sent to Mrs. Brand's family at www.barkesweaverglick.com. Born in Mexico, Ind. January 9, 1924, Mrs. Brand was the daughter of Willis L. and Gladys Miller Vanator. She married Omer L. Brauneller and later married Wendell L. Brand March 5, 1971. He preceded her in death March 22, 1999. Survivors include her daughter, Lena Woodhouse of Peru; a granddaughter, Carol Collins of Fort Wayne; sisters, Ann Hadley of California and Betty (Gail) Johnson of the State of Washington and many cousins. Mrs. Brand was preceded in death by her parents; her husbands and a step-daughter, Darla Brand.

Peru Tribune, Peru, IN - Monday, September 5, 2011 12:01 am

Berneice K. Flora, 91, Peru, died at 4:45 p.m. Friday, Sept. 2, 2011 at her residence. She was born in Peru Aug. 21, 1920 to Joseph and Daisy (Kreig) Keim. She married Roy E. Flora Jan. 5, 1938 and he preceded her in death Nov. 22, 2006. Berneice was a homemaker, and with her husband owned and operated Clearview Glass and Miniature World for several years. She was a former member of the Moose Auxiliary. She is survived by a son, Joseph B. (Bev) Flora, Peru; grandchildren, Jeff (Melody) Douglass, Kokomo, Mark (Jean) Lefebvre, Liberty Center, Alec (Jill) Lefebvre, Macy, Shilo Van Dalsen, Avilla, Heather Flora, Peru, Erica, of South Carolina, and Scott Divivo; three step-grandchildren; and great-grandchildren, Cortnee M. Lefebvre, Carlee K. Lefebvre, Megan M. Lefebvre, Ashley N. Lefebvre, Marley K. Lefebvre, and Jacek Treyvon; and six step-great-grandchildren. Berneice is preceded in death by her husband; two sons, Allan and Paul Flora; a daughter, Marie Van Dalsen; a sister, Thelma Taylor; and a brother, Bernard Keim. A funeral service will be noon Tuesday, Sept. 6 at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., with Pastor Lowell Burris officiating. Burial will be in Mount Hope Cemetery. Friends may call at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home Tuesday from 10 a.m. until the time of service. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Peru Tribune, Peru, IN - Monday, September 5, 2011 12:01 am

Robert Lee Beard, age 76, of Eva, Tenn. passed away Thursday, Sept. 1, 2011 in Jackson General Hospital. Mr. Beard was born Jan. 27, 1936 in Peru to the late Lavughan and Catherine Wolf Beard. In addition to his parents he is also preceded in death by two sisters, Loretta Jane Doyle and Roberta Ann Hagan. Mr. Beard was retired from the railroad, member of the American Legion Post 228, member of Fraternal Order of Eagles, member of Loyal Order of Moose, and Korean Veteran. Survivors include his wife, Martha Lutz Beard, of Eva, Tenn; children, Steven Beard, of Fishers, Ind., and Julie (Jerry) Gosch, of Missouri City, Texas; a brother, Harry (Judy) Beard, of Peru, Ind.; a sister, Jenny Kay Beard, of Peru, Ind.; and grandchildren, Sarah, David, Riley and Ryan. Visitation with the Beard family was Sunday at Oakdale Funeral Home. Visitation will also be Tuesday, Sept. 6, 2011 from 1 to 3 p.m. at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St. in Peru. Funeral Services will be 3 p.m. Tuesday Sept. 6, 2011 at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home. The Beard family requests memorials be made to the First Presbyterian Church building fund in Mont. Pelier, Ohio. Burial will be at Saint John Lutheran Cemetery, Peru, Ind. Pastor Kenneth Greenwald will officiate. Local arrangements entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, Peru, Indiana - Tuesday, September 6, 2011 12:01 am

Dorothy A. Brown Bixler, 80, Athens, died at 9:18 p.m. Friday. Service will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Tuesday.

Pharos Tribune, Logansport, Indiana - September 6, 2011

Dorothy A. Brown Bixler (Oct. 11, 1930 - Sept. 2, 2011)

Dorothy A. Brown Bixler, 80, Athens, passed away at 9:18 p.m. Friday, Sept. 2, 2011, at the Chase Center of Logansport. She was born on Oct. 11, 1930, in Kokomo, to Robert Avert and Grace Garner Brown. Growing up in Richland Township, Dorothy shared her childhood as one of nine children with seven brothers, Joe, George, Ira, Lee, Kenneth, John and Max, and a sister, Grace Marie. She was a proud member of the Richland Center High School, graduating with her class in 1948. Just more than two years later in Fulton, on June 11, 1950, Dorothy married her best friend and love of her life, George W. Bixler. Their marriage spanned nearly 56 years until his unexpected passing on March 10, 2006. Dorothy is lovingly remembered by her sister, Grace Marie Miller, Rochester; three brothers, Kenneth Brown, Rochester, John Brown and wife Neva, Russell, Ky., and Max Brown and wife Deloris, Lake Palestine; and many nieces and nephews. Dorothy was preceded in death by her parents; husband, George; and brothers, George Robert Brown, Ira Brown, Lee Brown, and Joe Brown and his wife Bonnie. A celebration of her life will be 2 p.m. Wednesday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. The Rev. Phil Pratt will officiate. Friends may visit with Dorothy's family from 4 to 8 p.m. today and one hour prior to her services. She will be laid to eternally rest next to her beloved husband George at the Athens-Hoover Cemetery. Memorials, in lieu of flowers, may be made to the Northern Indiana Community Foundation in Dorothy's name. You may sign Mrs. Bixler's guest book and pay tribute by lighting a candle at www.goodfamilyfh.com.

Peru Tribune, Peru, Indiana - Tuesday, September 6, 2011 12:01 am

Kimmy Michelle Corbin, 47, Rochester, died 8:49 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 4, 2011. Service is at 5 p.m. Wednesday, in the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation is at 4 p.m.

Peru Tribune, Peru, Indiana - Tuesday, September 6, 2011 12:01 am

Ronald "Ronnie" Lee Bailey, 66, Rochester, died Sunday Sept. 4, 2011. Service at 1 p.m. Thursday, Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation 1-8 p.m. at the funeral home.



Peru Tribune, Peru, IN - Thursday, September 8, 2011 12:00 am

Loretta Mae Bennett, 84, Peru, died at 10:30 p.m. Sept. 4, 2011, in Dukes Memorial Hospital. She was born in Delphi, Ind. on Nov. 2, 1926 to John Riggle Sr. and Mable (Benner) Riggle. She married William David Bennett in 1946 and he preceded her in death. Loretta was retired. She attended the First Baptist

Church in Peru. She is survived by her daughters, Sylvia Bennett DePalma, Holiday, Fla., and Susanne Bennett McCann, Peru; her grandchildren, Tiffany Miller Elsworth and husband Nathan, and Michelle Thixton Stainton and husband Chris; her great-grandchildren, Alexander Paul Elsworth, Nicholas Patrick Elsworth and Kayla Stainton; her brother, John Riggle Jr. and wife Janet Donat Riggle, Peru; her sister, Jean Ann Riggle Bailey and husband George, Galveston. She is also survived by five special loved nieces, Terri Cotton, Sunday Hughes, Carmel Trent, Shawna Coronado and Erin Riggle. A funeral service will take place 11 a.m. Friday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., with the Rev. George Dinkel. Burial will be in Mount Hope Cemetery. Friends may call from 5- 7 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

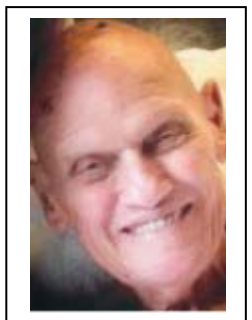
Peru Tribune, Peru, IN - Thursday, September 8, 2011 12:00 am

Dorothy Life, 82, passed away on Aug. 20, 2011 at McKee Medical Center in Loveland, Colo. Dorothy was born in Peru, Ind. in 1929 in the family farmhouse to the late Ida Langdon Mort and Elbert Mort. She graduated from Peru High School in 1948 and married Richard Life, her high school sweetheart, on June 17, 1951. Mr. Life, president of Wabash Valley Bank, preceded Dorothy in death on Dec. 2, 1978. They had three children, Linda, Susan, and William. Dorothy was a homemaker and was involved in many activities including Peru Art Club, Miami County Symphony Unit Board, Tri Kappa Associates, and Jefferson Town & Country HEC. She was a member of First Presbyterian Church and a volunteer at Gateway Center. She enjoyed working outside maintaining their property on Highland Place and playing golf with friends. Dorothy loved to recall times on the farm with Granny, Granddad and Pope and her beloved animals. She never forgot fun times at the Peru High School canteen and being a member of the PHS Band where she played percussion. Memories of the "three Dorothys" (Kunkle, Redmon and "Toots") and Evelyn Malouf were golden. In 1993 "Grandma Dot" built a second home in Fort Collins, Colo. to spend more time with family. She eventually moved to Fort Collins permanently where she enjoyed dinners out, shopping and spending time with family. She loved the view from her patio home where she enjoyed a spectacular panorama of the Rocky Mountains, her neighborhood golf course and park. She delighted being around animals, and she especially treasured visits with her children and six grandchildren. Dorothy was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Richard Life and a brother-in-law, Jack B. Jackson. She is survived by her children, daughters Linda Avery of Donald, Oregon (husband Charles Avery) and Susan Life-Ostendorf (husband Mark Ostendorf), of Fort Collins, Colo., and William Life (wife Sarah Coughtrie) of Toledo, Ohio. Grandchildren include Audra Smith of Portland, Richard and William Ostendorf of Fort Collins, and Jana, Laura and Aaron Life of Toledo, and sisters-in-law Joan Jackson of Peru, Ind. and Lois Ball of Indianapolis, Ind. Dorothy Life was an elegant lady. She will be missed. Family and friends will gather at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main St., Peru, Ind. on Saturday, Sept. 17 from 10 a.m. to noon. A memorial service celebrating the life of Dorothy Life will be held at 12 noon at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, with Pastor J. Robert Clark officiating. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to Pathways Hospice, 305 Carpenter Road, Fort Collins, Colo. 80525. Online condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com

Peru Tribune, Peru, IN - Thursday, September 8, 2011 12:00 am

Charles Leroy Sunday, 60, Orange County, Calif., passed away Tuesday, Aug. 23, 2011 in California. Born Oct. 16, 1950 in Miami County, he was the son John Leroy and Faye Hester Hanger Sunday. Survivors include two brothers, Jim Sunday and his wife Kathy, Geist Reservoir; and Bill Sunday and wife Diana, Macy; one sister- in-law, Juanita Sunday, Denver, and several cousins, nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, John E. Sunday. A time of visitation will be from 4-6 p.m. Friday at McClain Funeral Home, Denver. Burial will be at a later date in Westlawn Cemetery, Denver. Memorial contributions may be made to Denver Youth League.

James R. "Bud" Pogue, 83, Peru, died at 12:21 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 7, 2011, at Blair Ridge Health Campus. He was born in Peru on Nov. 10, 1927 to James and Florence (Buskirk) Pogue. He married Dora Mocherman on May 27, 1962 and she survives. James was a U.S. Navy veteran who served on the USS Cascade. He retired as a machinist from the C/O Railroad. He was a member of the Parkview United Methodist Church, the I.O.O. F. Lodge, the Moose Lodge, the American Legion, the Amateur Radio Club and the VFW. He enjoyed going to Grandma Mason's Restaurant everyday for coffee. He is survived by his wife; his son, John (Amanda) Pogue, Parkersburg, W. Virg.; his step-sons James (Pat) Yard, Peru, and Ronnie (Charlene) Yard, Peru; and his sister, Dorothy McKibben, Kokomo. He is also survived by 10 grandchildren. He was preceded in death by both parents, a brother, Paul Pogue and a sister, Ruth Lucas. A funeral service will take place at 2 p.m. Friday, Sept. 9, 2011 at the Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St. with Pastor Tim Powers officiating. Burial will be in Mount Hope Cemetery. Friends may call from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home. Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home.



Peru Tribune, Peru, Indiana - Thursday, September 8, 2011 12:00 am

George Randall Whistler, 85, of Wabash, Indiana, died at 5:25 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 6, 2011 at Wabash Skilled Care Center. He was born Aug. 10, 1926 in Roann, Indiana to William C. and Louise L. (Stouffer) Whistler. George was a 1944 graduate of Roann High School. He married Emmalou Stitz at the Wabash Friends Church on Oct. 20, 1946; she died Aug. 7, 2010. He was a U.S. Army veteran

serving in the Korean War. George was a retired farmer and entrepreneur. He was also a licensed pilot and had his solo flight in 1947. He was a member of the Wabash Friends Church. George and his wife Emmalou wintered in Fort Myers Beach, Florida, and summered on Lake Wawasee. He was a longtime Roann area resident. He is survived by his cousin, Bobby Harrold of Butler, Indiana; and longtime friends, Arthur & Mary Lou Kendall of Roann, Indiana. Memorial services will be held at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 1241 Manchester Ave. Wabash on Saturday, Sept. 10, 2011 at 11 a.m. with Rich Davis officiating. Friends may call from 10-11 a.m. Burial will be in Friends Cemetery, Wabash, at a later date. Preferred memorial is Wabash Friends Church. The memorial guest book for George may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com.

Peru Tribune, Peru IN - Friday, September 9, 2011 12:01 am

Dennis Edward Reynolds, age 61, of West Baden Springs, Ind. died Sept. 7, 2011 at Saint Vincent Hospital in Indianapolis. He was born Jan. 7, 1950 at Peru, Ind. to Russell and Dorothy (Carpenter) Reynolds. He was a 1969 graduate of Maconaquah High School. He had worked for many years at Delco Delphi at Kokomo, Ind. Dennis was a member of Highland Chapel Church at West Baden and French Lick American Legion Post 76. He married Laurie Ann (Blair) Reynolds on June 10, 1972. She survives him. Also surviving is a son: Jason Edward Reynolds of Arcadia, Ind., a daughter: Alison Blair Jung of Cicero, Ind., two brothers: Dean Reynolds of Kokomo, Ind. and David Reynolds of Peru, Ind., and four grandchildren. Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Monday, Sept. 12, 2011 at Hartley Funeral Homes Cicero Chapel with burial to follow. Visitation will be Sunday from 2 to 7 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society. Online condolences may be sent to www.hartleyfuneralhomes.com

Peru Tribune, Peru IN - Friday, September 9, 2011 12:01 am

Dessie Mae Stone, 76, Peru, wife of James Roy Stone, passed away Monday, Sept. 5, 2011. Mrs. Stone was a native of Madison County, born Jan. 9, 1935 a daughter of the late Charlie and Ettie Carroll Crowe. Mrs. Stone was a member of the Sandhill Christian Church, and service technician at Dukes Hospital. Survivors include her two sons, James Larry Stone and wife Shirley of Denver, Terry Michael Stone and wife Teresa of Wabash; her grandchildren, James Paul Stone and wife Sylvia of Peru, Tara Stone of Peru, Joshua Stone of Denver, Jessi Stone of Denver, Nicholas Stone and wife Eric of Peru, and Kyle Lewis of Wabash; and 18 great grandchildren; two sisters, Fannie Brandenburg and Geraldine Cole and husband Dewey, all of Irvine; one brother James H. Crowe and wife Dorothy of Irvine. Services will be 11 a.m. Friday, Sept. 9, 2011 at Lewis Funeral Home, Irvine, Ky. with Bro. James H. Crowe officiating. Burial will follow at the Amos Richardson Cemetery. Visitation was 6 p.m. Thursday at the Lewis Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, September 10, 2011

David L. Constable of Chandler, Ariz. passed away Aug. 28, 2011. Dave was born on March 16, 1949 to the late Gordon K. and Inez Constable. He married Judie (Bartel) on Dec. 2, 1978 in Peru; she survives. Dave is survived by his children, April Bartel, Marion; David Bartel, Chandler, Ariz.; Lynn Cooper, Mishawaka; Bob Constable (Holly), Kokomo; Rick Bartel (Tara) Peru; Shawn Constable Naples, Fla.; Misty Flynn (Mike), New Haven; Anthony Bartel (Jodi) Peru; and Amber Trine (Robert) Kokomo. Also surviving are 17 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren; siblings Gordon Constable (Kitty) Centerville, Ohio; Steve Constable (Brenda) Peru; Mark Constable (Diane) Richmond; Jackie Reed (Bill) Wabash; Phyllis Hand (Bill) Peru; Margorie Stephenson (Bob) Warren. Dave graduated from Peru High School in 1967. He retired from General Motors in Marion after more than 35 years of service. Dave was a lifelong member of the Moose in Peru. He was an avid golfer, bowler and fisherman. He was a volunteer for Handicapable, Inc. in Peru and was a regular blood donor for the American Red Cross. Friends may pay respects to Dave and his family on Sept. 12, from 3-7 p.m. at Flowers Leedy Funeral Home in Peru. Memorial contributions can be made in honor of Dave to Moose Heart or the Humane Society.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, September 12, 2011

Mary Louis Applington, 78, Kokomo, died Thursday, Sept. 8, 2011 at 3:30 a.m. in St. Joseph Hospital after an illness of two and a half years. She was born March 8, 1933 in Denver to the late Herman M. and Bertha M. (Lesley) Kline. She was married to her devoted husband, Clayton Applington, in Gatlinburg, Tenn., June 21, 1993. He survives. She had previously been married to George E. Butzin and Dale R. Sanders. Mary graduated from Mexico High School in 1951 and the Kokomo School of Practical Nursing in 1974. She was a nurse at St. Joseph Hospital from 1974-1981 and Americana Nursing Home from 1990-1993, when she retired. In addition to her husband, she is survived by two children, Joni (Mrs. Allen) Andreas of Kokomo and George E. (Vickie) Butzin III of Brookville, Pa; three grandchildren, Jason (Christina) Andreas of Kokomo, Allen W. Andreas Jr. (Zahra Faridzadeh) of Lexington, Va. And Michael P. Andreas of Kokomo; one great granddaughter; three brothers, Robert Kline of Mexico, Frank Kline of Peru and Charles Kline of South Bend; three sisters, Doris Ann Fisher of New Haven, Rosanna Stout of Denver and Barbara Jo Burns of Tallahassee, Fla.; three sisters-in-law, Josephine Kline of Mexico, Peggy Kline of Peru and Connie Kline of North Manchester. She was preceded in death by her parents and four brothers Herbert Kline, Richard Kline, Eugene Kline and John D. Kline. The family would like to give a special thanks to the St. Joseph Hospital Pastoral Care, especially Ingrid Gaither, for all their care and support. They would also like to thank Dr. Joseph Westrom and the staff at St. Joseph Hospital for the great care that



was given during this time. Services will be 2 p.m. Tuesday in Ellers Mortuary Street Chapel, 3400 South Webster Street in Kokomo, with Dr. David J. Harris officiating. The family will receive friends from 12-2 p.m. Tuesday at the mortuary.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, September 13, 2011

Mary M. Wegert, 68 of Jonesboro, Ark. entered into eternal rest Sept. 4, 2011 at NEA Baptist Hospital, Jonesboro, with her family at her side. Mary was born Nov. 3, 1942 in North Judson, Ind. and was raised on a farm outside Knox, Ind. She attended Ball State Teachers College in 1961 before transferring to Arkansas State University, where she received a BSE in 1964, and a Masters Degree in Special Education in 1967. She was a member of the Delta Kappa Gamma. After college she taught one year in Indiana before moving back to Jonesboro to teach at Jonesboro Public School for 31 years until she retired in 1997. During her tenure with Jonesboro Public School system she taught special education before becoming the Director of Special Education. During her career she was very active in various state committees, helping to set up policies and guidelines for special education. She was in Who's Who of American Women 1975-76. She was a member of the Arkansas Association of Education where she held various chairmanships. Mary was also a member of the Arkansas Association of Public Continuing and Adult Education, where she served as president in 1971-72. She was a recipient of the Outstanding Alumnus Award, College of Special Education and Communicative Disorders from Arkansas State University in 1991. She was a loving supporter of the HopeCircle with NEA Baptist Charitable Foundation and the Cancer Support Group at First United Methodist Church of Jonesboro. She also participated in different avocations like needlework, and outdoor recreational activities. She was a long time member of the First Christian Church of Jonesboro, where she sang in the choir. Mary was preceded in death by her parents, Adam Alford and Lucy Fletcher Hardel, and a sister, Esther Mae Hardel Woods. Survivors include her husband of 46 years, Dennis Harold Wegert, 1706 Hazelwood Ct., Jonesboro, Ark. 72401 (married December 12, 1964); one sister, Ruth Louise Hardel Verbois. Memorials may be made to First Christian Church of Jonesboro Building Fund, 901 S. Main, Jonesboro, Ark. 72401. Online guest registry - www.emersonfuneralhome.com.



Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, September 14, 2011

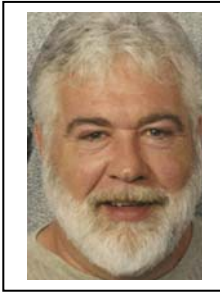
Kenneth D. Shrock, 91, Kokomo, died at 8:19 a.m. Monday, Sept. 12, 2011 at Howard Regional Health Systems, Kokomo. He was born April 27, 1920 in Kokomo to Harry B. and Ella (Sommers) Shrock. He married Viola M. (Williams) Shrock on March 18, 1949 in Kokomo and she preceded him in death on July 10, 2000. Kenneth owned and operated Shrock's Dri-Gas in Plevna from September 1948 until retirement in September 1990. He graduated from Greentown High School in 1938, and served in the U.S. Navy during WWII. A 50 year member of Greentown Lodge #341, a 49 year member of Greentown Lions with 46 years, the American Legion Post #317 and past commander, he was also a deacon and Elder of Meridian Street Christian Church, president of the Eastern School

Board the year of the 1965 tornadoes and member of Meridian Street Christian Church. Kenneth is survived by a daughter, Sandra O'Reilly, Kokomo and sister Miriam Haun, Kokomo. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife Viola; son Richard Shrock; son in law Tim O'Reilly; brothers James, Emerson, Verl Shrock and sister Pauline Miller. A funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, Sept. 16 at Meridian Street Christian Church, 205 N. Meridian St., Greentown, with pastors Bruce Mumaw and Kevin Sparling. Burial will be in Shrock Cemetery following the service, with military honors by American Legion Post #317. Calling hours are from 3 until 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 15 also at Meridian Street Christian Church. Memorial contributions may be made to Meridian Street Christian Church, the Greentown Lions Club and/or Gideon's Internation. Funeral arrangements are being handled by Hasler-Stout Funeral Home, Greentown. Online condolences can be made at www.hasler-stout.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, September 15, 2011

Dorothy Life, 82, passed away on Aug. 20, 2011 at McKee Medical Center in Loveland, Colo. Dorothy was born in Peru, Ind. in 1929 in the family farmhouse to the late Ida Langdon Mort and Elbert Mort. She graduated from Peru High School in 1948 and married Richard Life, her high school sweetheart, on June 17, 1951. Mr. Life, president of Wabash Valley Bank, preceded Dorothy in death on December 2, 1978. They had three children, Linda, Susan, and William. Dorothy was a homemaker and was involved in many activities including Peru Art Club, Miami County Symphony Unit Board, Tri Kappa Associates, and Jefferson Town & Country HEC. She was a member of First Presbyterian Church and a volunteer at Gateway Center. She enjoyed working outside maintaining their property on Highland Place and playing golf with friends. Dorothy loved to recall times on the farm with Granny, Granddad and Pope and her beloved animals. She never forgot fun times at the Peru High School canteen and being a member of the PHS Band where she played percussion. Memories of the "three Dorothys" (Kunkle, Redmon and "Toots") and Evelyn Malouf were golden. In 1993 "Grandma Dot" built a second home in Fort Collins, Colo. to spend more time with family. She eventually moved to Fort Collins permanently where she enjoyed dinners out, shopping and spending time with family. She loved the view from her patio home where she enjoyed a spectacular panorama of the Rocky Mountains, her neighborhood golf course and park. She delighted being around animals, and she especially treasured visits with her children and six grandchildren. Dorothy was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Richard Life and a brother-in-law, Jack B. Jackson. She is survived by her children, daughters Linda Avery of Donald, Ore. (husband Charles Avery) and Susan Life-Ostendorf (husband Mark Ostendorf), of Fort Collins, Colorado, and William Life (wife Sarah Coughtrie) of Toledo, Ohio. Grandchildren include Audra Smith of Portland, Richard and William Ostendorf of Fort Collins,

and Jana, Laura and Aaron Life of Toledo, and sisters-in-law Joan Jackson of Peru, Ind. and Lois Ball of Indianapolis, Ind. Dorothy Life was an elegant lady. She will be missed. Family and friends will gather at the Eikenberry Eddy Funeral Home, 84 West Main Street, Peru, Indiana on Saturday, Sept. 17th from 10 a.m. to noon. A memorial service celebrating the life of Dorothy Life will be held at noon at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, with Pastor J. Robert Clark officiating. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to Pathways Hospice, 305 Carpenter Road, Fort Collins, Colo. 80525. Online condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.



Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, September 15, 2011

George E. Shultz, 58, rural Macy was welcomed into the arms of his heavenly father at 11:22 a.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 13, 2011 in Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester. Born March 16, 1953 in Peru, Ind. he was the son of the late Eldon "George" and Mona Kotterman Shultz. On Feb. 14, 1976 at Parkview United Methodist Church in Peru, he was married to his high school sweetheart, Linda Wilhelm. George was a 1971 graduate of North Miami High School. He was a timber cutter all his life. George had a passion for the outdoors. He enjoyed hunting and fishing. George loved a good joke and always had a smile and a hardy handshake for anyone he met. George and Linda liked to live on the wild side and take to the road on their Honda Goldwing. He could fix small engines, chain saws and liked to load his own gun shells. George was a family man and truly loved every minute he spent with his grandchildren. His favorite

saying was he liked them best when they went home. George was a faithful member of the Mexico First Brethren Church where he served as an usher and a past trustee. He was also a member of the National Rifle Association. In addition to his wife, he leaves behind two children, a daughter, Lori (Wes) Norman, of Macy, and a son, Jared (Jolene) Shultz of LaFontaine; six grandchildren, Alec, Layne and Jessa Riendeau, Laython Norman and Aspen and J.D. Shultz; one sister, Linda Smith, North Webster; two nieces, Shelly Vanover, North Webster, and Trina (John) Slack, Florida; and one nephew, Dalton (Dawn) Griffith, Big Barbee Lake. He was preceded in death by one sister, Karen Lopez. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, Sept. 16, 2011 at McClain Funeral Home, Denver, with Pastor Ron Laudenschlager officiating. Visitation will be from 4-8 p.m. on Thursday at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association or the National Rifle Association. The online guestbook can be signed at www.mcclainfh.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, September 16, 2011

Bernece Katherine Miller, 95, Bellevue, Neb., and formerly of Denver, passed away at 4:16 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 14, 2011 at Hillcrest Country Estates in Bellevue, Neb. Born Jan. 11, 1916 in Miami County, Ind. she was the daughter of Clarence and Laura Ream. In August 1936, in Denver, she was married to Lorraine E. Miller, and he preceded her in death on March 9, 1999. She was a member of the Denver Baptist Church. Survivors include two children, Gloria Kay Wilson and her husband John, Macy; and Michael K. Miller and his wife Joan, Bellevue, Neb.; five grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by one brother and two sisters. Funeral services will be held at 3 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 17, 2011 at the Denver Baptist Church with Pastor Steve Bate officiating. Burial will follow in Chili Cemetery, Chili, Ind. Friends and family are invited to gather at the church from 1-3 p.m. on Saturday before the funeral. The online guestbook can be signed at www.mcclainfh.com



Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, September 17, 2011

Ronald Lee Pries, 56, of rural Wabash, Ind. died at 1:04 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 15, 2011 at Wabash County Hospital. He was born Nov. 16, 1954 in Wabash, to Richard Pries and Carlene (Elser) Bland. Ron was a 1972 Southwood High School graduate, and attended Lincoln Tech School. He married Sandy Jo Wrisk in Somerset, Ind. on Oct. 10, 1992. He was the owner of Pries Inc. in Wabash since 1974, and also owned Pries Oil Company in Wabash several years. He was a Certified State Applicator of Fertilizers and Pesticides. He was an IHSAA and YMCA football referee, and also coached several youth sports teams. Ron was a member of the Church of Christ at Treaty and the Harley Owners Group (H.O.G.). He is survived by his wife, Sandy Jo Pries; father, Richard (Edna Whitton) Pries; mother, Carlene Bland; five children, Casey (Gabi) Pries, Lee Ann (David) Pefley, Jesse Pries, Kyle Pries, and

Dustin Pries, all of Wabash; six grandchildren, Kathryn Pefley, Dayne Pefley, Coy Pefley, and Rhett Pefley, all of Wabash, Razvan Carnu of Romania, and Zaria Pries of Wabash; two brothers, Fred (Cynthia) Pries of Winchester, Indiana, and Michael (April) Pries of Berne, Ind. He was preceded in death by his brother, David Pries, who died March 26, 2009. Funeral services will be held at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 1241 Manchester Ave. Wabash on Monday, Sept. 19, 2011 at 10 a.m. with Doug Oakes officiating. Burial will be in Mississinewa Memorial Cemetery, Somerset, Ind. Friends may call 2-7 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 18 at the funeral home. Preferred memorial is YMCA Youth Sports. The memorial guest book for Ron may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Sunday, September 18, 2011

Carl Emerson Swartzentruber, 9536 S. 300 E. McGrawsville, went home to be with his Lord on Wednesday, Sept. 21, 2011 at North Woods Village in Kokomo, Ind. Carl was born March 22, 1919 in Miami County, Ind. the son of Andrew and Clara Troyer Swartzentruber. Carl married Esther Mughmaw on Aug. 31, 1945 and she preceded him in death on Dec. 23, 1995. Carl

was a semi-truck driver for 43 years. He also operated a trucking service for several years. He fascinated his family with stories of his trucking days. He also enjoyed fishing, motorcycling and snowmobiling. He was a member of Howard-Miami Mennonite Church where he served in various positions. The position he enjoyed most was serving as custodian. Carl and Esther served in that position for more than 20 years. Carl also enjoyed going to see his grandchildren and great-grandchildren participate in their sporting events. Carl was a devoted husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather. He is survived by his son, Dean Swartzentruber and his wife Cleona of Fishers, Ill.; a daughter, Clarajean Sommers and her husband Roger of McGrawsville; six grandchildren, Christina and Kevin Gingerich of Kokomo, Ind., Ryan and Linda Sommers of South Bend, Ind., Robert and Kristin Sommers of Sweetser, Ind., Josh and Gretchen Swartzentruber of Normal, Ill., Andy and Jill Swartzentruber of Fisher, Ill., and Heidi and Dave McGregor of Lovington, Ill.; and great-grandchildren, Kathryn Jean Gingerich, Kindra Gingerich, Carl Gingerich, Samuel Sommers, Brayden Sommers, Anika Sommers, Addison Stotler, Elexis Swartzentruber, Ethan Swartzentruber, Logan Swartzentruber, Jake McGregor and Avery McGregor. He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, Esther, and a sister Vesta Hochstedler Miller. A service celebrating the life of Carl E. Swartzentruber will be at 2 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 25, 2011 at the Howard-Miami Mennonite Church, 3976 E. 1400 S., Kokomo, Ind., with Pastors Randy Detweiler and Lee Miller officiating. Burial will be in the Santa Fe Cemetery. Family and friends will gather from 2 to 6 p.m. Saturday at the Howard-Miami Mennonite Church. Memorial contributions may be made to the Howard-Miami Mennonite Church or the St Jude Children's Research Hospital. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Laird-Eddy Funeral Home, Amboy, Ind. Online condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Sunday, September 18, 2011

Iris Elise Lambert Delawder, 81, after being a victim of Alzheimer's Disease for several years, passed on to her eternal home at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 15, 2011 at Life Care Center of Rochester. Born April 5, 1930 in Frankfort, Ind., she was the daughter of Lottie R. and Bessie E. Klotz Lambert. On Oct. 2, 1949 in Frankfort, Ind. she was married to Phillip Lynd Delawder, and he preceded her in death on Aug. 13, 2011. She was active in the Macy Methodist Church, Macy Firefighter's Auxiliary, and the rest of the community. She loved to travel and meet new people. Every stranger was just a friend she hadn't met yet. Survivors include four daughters, Marsha Lynn Adams and husband Richard of Hideaway, Texas; Nancy Kaye Eppert and husband John, Independence, Mo.; Karen Sue Wilhelm and husband Mark, Perrysburg, Ind.; and Judy Ann Delawder, Stockdale, Ind.; six grandchildren, three step-grandchildren; ten great grandchildren; five step-great grandchildren; and three brothers, Ed Lambert and wife Betty, Scottsdale, Ariz.; John Lambert and wife Pat, Mineola, Texas; and Bill Lambert and wife Alex, Saugus, Calif. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, Sept. 23, 2011 at McClain Funeral Home, Denver with Pastor David Welsh officiating. Burial will follow in Plainview Cemetery, Macy. Visitation will be from 3-7 p.m. on Thursday evening, Sept. 22, 2011 at the funeral home and one hour prior to the services on Friday. Memorial contributions are requested to the Alzheimer's Association.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Sunday, September 18, 2011

James Stephen Loy, 50, of 2177 Broadway road, Milton, Pa., died Saturday, Sept. 17, 2011, following a massive heart attack. Born Jan. 30, 1961, in Terre Haute, Ind., he was the son of the late William A. Loy and Anne (Rooney) Loy, who survives. He and his wife of 21 years, the former Gretchen Althouse, were married on April 21, 1990. Being the son of Air Force Lt. Col. William A. Loy, he benefited from his father's overseas assignments, living in Taipei, Taiwan, and Izmir, Turkey, along with Michigan, Texas, South Carolina and Missouri. The family settled in Peru, Ind., when he was in eighth grade. Mr. Loy was a graduate of Peru High School and attended Vincennes University. He served in the U.S. Army for four years reaching the rank of MP Sergeant. He began his 21 year career with the U.S. Federal Bureau of Prisons at Marion Penitentiary in Indiana, transferring to Lewisburg Penitentiary, Pennsylvania, where he served on SORT (Special Operations Response Team) assisting with out of state emergencies. He was Lead Firearms Instructor at Lewisburg Penitentiary and had recently been teaching firearms to Pennsylvania State Constables. Upon retiring from the BOP he joined Dyncorp through the U.S. State Department performing high risk duties including security and training locals in Afghanistan in 2005. Upon his return from Afghanistan, he was elected State Constable in Limestone Township holding that position until his death. In his spare time, Jim enjoyed running, visiting new places, being a strong Notre Dame football fan (his father's alma mater) and spending time with his family and pets. He was involved with Mixed Martial Arts Shows locally and on a national level. He was a founding member of the Pennsylvania Fraternal Order of Constables. Jim was a volunteer at RiverWoods Senior Living Community for 15 years. He loved and adored his wife and children, who will miss him greatly. He was a true U.S. patriot who loved his country. In addition to his wife and mother, he is survived by two daughters, Brittney and Ashley, both at home; a brother and sister-in-law, Thomas and Sallie Loy of Atlanta, Georgia; a sister and brother-in-law, Lee Anne and Edward Reindl of Indianapolis, and a niece and nephew, Julia and William Reindl. A funeral Mass will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday at St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, 109 Broadway St. Milton, Pa., officiated by the Rev. Thomas A. Scala. Burial with full military honors will be held at 9 a.m. Friday at Quantico National Cemetery, Quantico, Virginia. Expressions of sympathy may be shared at www.cronrathgrenoblefuneralhome.com or miltonloys@aol.com

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Sunday, September 18, 2011

Jonathan Christopher Massey, born in Kokomo, Ind. Feb. 7, 1973 passed away on Sept. 9, 2011 at 12:45 CST in Lubbock, Texas after he was found unconscious at home. Jonathan was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints

church and an organ donor. He is survived by his father and mother, Chris and Nancy Massey of Hampton, Va., grandmothers Margaret Massey of League City, Texas, Esther Massey and Marilyn Davenport of Peru, Ind., Great-Aunts and Uncles, Frank and Nancy Bales of Peru, Ind., Thelma Moog of Springfield, Ill., and Richard and Grace Wolf of Lafayette, Ind. Aunts and Uncles, Jo Ann and Dennis Hughes, Garry and Jeannie Davenport, Kim and Karen Massey of Peru, Ind., Linda Davenport of Houston, Texas, Mark Davenport of Bacliff, Texas, Mary and Jeremiah Lawrence of Virginia Beach, Va., Karen Ringstaff, Curtis and Ellen Massey, League City, Texas and numerous cousins. Jonathan was preceded in death by his brother Daniel Eugene Massey. In lieu of flowers please send donations in memory of Jonathan Massey to the Texas Elks Endowment, Inc., 1961 F.M. 1586, Gonzales, Texas 78629 phone 830-875-2425. Services will be held in Peru Indiana at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints on 351 Business Route 31, Oct 15, 2010.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Sunday, September 18, 2011

Roberta Jean Grant, 81, Peru, died at 9:20 a.m. Monday, Sept. 19, 2011 at Miller's Merry Manor, Peru. Arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, Peru.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Sunday, September 18, 2011

Sharon Kay Cook, 72, Rochester, died Sept. 21, 2011. Services are 11 a.m. Saturday at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. on Friday.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, September 21, 2011

Gerri Lynn McIver, 50, Peru, died at 8:14 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 20, 2011 at her residence. Arrangements are pending at Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main St., Peru.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, September 21, 2011

Mable Francis (Peters) Sonafrank, 97, Kokomo, passed away on Tuesday, Sept. 20, 2011 at 10:04 a.m. in Waterford Place Health Campus. She was born Dec. 10, 1911 in Peru, Ind. to H. Frank and Daisy (Layman) Peters. She graduated from Peru High School in 1929 and continued her education by taking classes offered through a Federal Education Program during the depression. Mable was married to Orville Sonafrank on Dec. 22, 1935, and he preceded her in death. During her working years, Mable did a variety of office jobs, and was a co-owner of a family neighborhood grocery. In 1987, Mable retired after serving several years as a secretary to the mayor of Peru. The center of her life, outside of her family, was her love of Christ and her church. As a member of the Church of the Brethren, she faithfully served as long as she was able. She was the church pianist for over 50 years and a lifetime deacon. Mable touched many lives with Christ's love, and will be missed by many. Mable is survived by a son, John and wife Pat (Zartman) Sonafrank of Kokomo; Roy Martin, husband of Joyce Martin who passed away in 2004; grandchildren, James and Carrie Sonafrank, Beth Soblotne, Darrin and Laurie Martin and Andrew and Rebecca Martin; along with great grandchildren, Lauren and Nathan Soblotne, Bailey, Madison, Emily and Jake Martin and Gavin and Sadie Sonafrank. Other survivors include a number of nieces, nephews and cousins. Mable is preceded in death by her parents; husband, Orville Sonafrank; and all five of her siblings. A funeral for Mable will be held on Saturday, Sept. 24, 2011 at 10 a.m. at the Kokomo Church of the Brethren, 311 W. Lincoln Rd. Kokomo, Ind. 46902 with the Rev. Mark Stahl officiating. Later on Saturday, at 1 p.m., we will be meeting at Greenlawn Cemetery, Mexico, Indiana where we will lay Mable to rest. Mable's family will be receiving relatives and friends for a time of visitation on Friday, Sept. 23, 2011 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Ellers Mortuary Webster Street Chapel, 3400 South Webster Street, Kokomo. Contributions can be made in Mable's memory to the Kokomo Church of the Brethren. You are invited to read Mable's obituary at www.ellersmortuary.com, where you may sign the guest book, share a personal message, or order flowers for the family. Ellers Mortuary Webster Street Chapel, 3400 South Webster Street, Kokomo, Ind. assisted the family with arrangements.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, September 21, 2011

Patty Lou Balsbaugh, 88, of Marion, passed away on Sept. 20, 2011, in Marion General Hospital. She had been a resident of Miller's Merry Manor in Marion for the past year. She was born in Logansport, Ind. to Mark M. Mullin and Nell (Albin) Mullins. She was married to Marvin Leo Balsbaugh who preceded her in death on Jan. 11, 2011. Patty graduated from Peru High School in 1941. She was a homemaker most of her life and enjoyed cooking, sewing, gardening and spending long hours playing games and working with arts and crafts with her adoring grandchildren. She was employed for a time at the Meck Television Factory in Peru and at Sears-Roebuck in Marion. In 1954 the family moved to Madison, Ind., and Patty became active in the school lunch program at North Madison Junior High School and became an ardent sports fan of the Madison Cubs basketball team. When the family moved to Marion in the late 1950's she became a den mother for a local Cub Scout Pack and for her daughter's Brownie Scout Troop as well as a fan of her son's Little League and Marion High School baseball teams. She loved animals and was constantly adopting stray cats and dogs as well as caring for her own family pets. During her life, Patty attended the First Christian Church in Peru, The North Madison Christian Church and the First Baptist Church of Marion. Survivors include three sons: William Lee, Marion; Michael Mark, Marion; and David Marvin, Indianapolis. A daughter, Janelle Louise Buck, Died in July of 2008; ten grandchildren: Brian Balsbaugh, Las Vegas; Kim Oliver, Fort Wayne, Ind.; Nan McKim, Fort Wayne; Melissa Lane, Chicago; Lisa Massolio, Port Charlotte, Fla.; Ashley Gustin, Bloomington, Ind.; Alyssa Balsbaugh, Indianapolis, Ind.; Aaron Buck, Marion, Ind.; Jason Buck, Peru, Ind.; Jennifer Hunt, Russiaville, Ind.; and a sister

Irma Atkinson of Peru. Another sister, Beulah Loe of Peru, preceded her in death. Also surviving are 11 nieces and nephews and 18 great grandchildren. According to Patty's wishes there will be no visitation. She will be buried alongside her beloved husband, Marv, in the Gardens of Memory north of Marion. Contributions in her name may be made to the Marion-Grant County Humane Society. Arrangements handled by Needham-Storey- Wampner Funeral Service, North Chapel, 1341 N. Baldwin Ave., Marion, Ind. 46952. Online condolences may be made at www.nswcares.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, September 21, 2011

Roberta Jean Grant, 81, passed away at 9:20 a.m. on Monday, Sept. 19, 2011 at Miller's Merry Manor Nursing Home, Peru, Ind. Jean was born on July 1, 1930 in Jonesboro, Ind., to Mack Johnson and Florence (Worden) Adams, whom have preceded her in death, along with one brother, Mack Warren Johnson. Jean married Robert J. "Cork" Grant on April 28, 1950. "Cork" also preceded her in death on July 10, 1995. Survivors include one son Robert Joe Grant and wife Trina, Peru, Ind., daughter Candace Ann Burt and husband Edward, Peru, Ind., three grandchildren, John Adam Perkins and wife Yatta, Knoxville, Tenn., Delora Diane Burke and husband David, LaPorte, Ind., and Mathew Robert Grant, Peru, Ind. Also surviving are six great grandchildren. A funeral service will be held Friday, Sept. 23, 2011 at 1 p.m. at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St. Peru, with Pastor Lew McKinney officiating. Burial will be at Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru. Friends may call 4 to 6 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home. Memorials to the Alzheimer's Association through the funeral home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, September 22, 2011

Gerri Lynn McIver, 50, of Peru, Ind., passed away peacefully at her residence at 8:14 a.m., Monday, Sept. 20, 2011. She was born in New Castle, Ind., on July 16, 1961. She was the daughter of Jean (Atkins) and David Jackson. Gerri married Mark McIver in Peru, Indiana, on July 10, 1993, and he survives. Gerri graduated from New Castle Chrysler High School in 1979 and received her Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education in 1998 from Indiana University at Kokomo. She went on to obtain her Master's degree at IUPUI with honors in English/Language Arts, Spanish, and Administration. She was working on her Doctorate in education (Ed.D) at the time of her passing. Gerri taught Spanish and Language Arts to 7th and 8th graders at Maple Crest Middle School from 1998 to 2010. Some of Gerri's favorite hobbies were sewing, gardening, and spending time with her granddaughter and grandson. She sewed everything from American Girl doll clothes, to curtains, blankets, and even costumes for Maple Crest Middle School's plays. She was an avid bicyclist and enjoyed hiking and camping and spent time in Colorado every summer with her good friends. Gerri's zest for life was immeasurable. She brought joy to all around her and was known for her smile and her positive outlook. She never met a stranger, and the sound of her laughter will be remembered by many. Surviving in addition to her husband Mark are daughter: Heather (Chris) Mote of Indianapolis, Indiana, step-son: Ryan McIver of Phoenix, Arizona, step-daughter: Cassandra (John) Dee of Phoenix, Arizona, step-daughter: Megan McIver of Peru, Indiana, granddaughter: Kira Mote, Grandson: Ethan (EJ) Dee, sister: Beth Jackson of Kokomo, Indiana, Brother: David (Amy) Jackson of Indianapolis, Indiana. A celebration of life service will be held at 2 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 24, 2011, at First Congregational Christian Church, 505 W. Mulberry St., Kokomo with Pastor Jon Tice officiating. Family and friends will gather from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., Friday at Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main St., Peru. Contributions can be made through the funeral home, in Gerri's memory to outrunthesun.org. You may read the full Gerri McIver obituary at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, September 24, 2011

Glenadine Louise Davenport, 85, Wabash, died Sept. 23, 2011. Services are 1 p.m. Monday, Sept. 26, at McDonald Funeral Home, LaFontaine Chapel, 104 S. Main St., LaFontaine. Visitation is at 11 a.m. Monday.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, September 24, 2011

William J. Whybrew, 72, Peru, passed away at Dukes Memorial Hospital at 8:02 a.m. Friday, Sept. 23, 2011. He was born in Ottawa, Ill. July 3, 1939 the son of Emerson and Irene (Brownfield) Whybrew Montgomery, both preceding him in death. He married Carol Bowyer, March 16, 1968 and she survives. William was retired as the owner/operator of Fishback's Shoe & Tack, and also retired from being a travel trailer driver. He enjoyed training horses with his daughters. Survivors include daughter Krista (Brian) Robbins, Noblesville, daughter Kara (Adam) Vernengo, Kokomo, four grandchildren, Adalynne Robbins, Miles, Robbins, Christian Vernengo, Alyssa Vernengo, two sisters, Debbie Williams, De Ruyter, N.Y., and Joan Larson, South Elgin, Ill. Services will be held Monday, Sept. 26, 2011 at 7 p.m. at the Allen Funeral Home, 136 South Elm St., Bunker Hill, with Pastor Ed Johnson officiating. Burial will be at Metzger Cemetery, (Miami County). Friends may call at the Allen Funeral Home Monday from 4 to 7 p.m. till the time of service at 7 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to the Pipe Creek Church of the Brethren and/or Salvation Army.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, September 27, 2011

Barry Chalkley Brauneller, 72, Indianapolis, Ind. passed away Sept. 23, 2011 at his home. He was born in Boone Iowa, March 4, 1939 to Chester E. and Marian Chalkley Brauneller. He married Carolyn Hatch on April 6, 1963. Barry graduated from Peru High School in 1957. He also graduated from Franklin College and received his Masters Degree from Indiana University. Barry also served in the U.S. Army Reserve. Along with his wife, Carolyn, he is survived by a son, Scott and Holly Brauneller, Indianapolis, a daughter, Courtney and Pat Lumbley, New Palestine, and two grandchildren. He is also

survived by his mother Marian Brauneller, three sisters, Birja (Jerome) Short, Beverley (David) Yunker, Becky Brauneller, and one brother, Brad (Deb) Brauneller, 10 nieces and nephews. Barry was preceded in death by his father, Chester Brauneller. There will be a private memorial service. Memorial contributions may be made to the donor's preferred choice.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, September 27, 2011

Dorothy L. Wallace, 85 of Peru and formerly of Andrews, passed away Monday Sept. 26, 2011 at 7:20 a.m. at Caring Hands Nursing Home, Peru. She had worked at Utah Radio in Huntington from 1961 to 1976, where she served as the union treasurer. She loved gardening, canning, working jigsaw puzzles, crocheting and taking walks. Dorothy was born March 6, 1926 in Hartford City, the daughter of Gola and Millie (Rheam) Coons. On July 1, 1946 she married Gilbert Wallace in Anderson and he passed away in April 2001. She is survived by a daughter Ellen (Allen) Fisher of Peru, three sons Russell (Judy) Wallace of Andrews, Larry (Jan) Reichenbaugh of Fort Wayne, Melvin (Brenda) Lee of Kentucky, nine grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by three sisters Mary Ann Coon, May Brown, Betty Cox, two brothers Gola Coons and Melvin Coons and grandson Michael Eugene Pearson. Visitation will be held Thursday Sept. 29 from 6-8 p.m. prior to the 8 p.m. funeral service at Deal-Rice Funeral Home-Andrews Chapel with Pastor Dave Beebe officiating. Private burial will be at a later date in Andrews Riverside Cemetery. Preferred memorials may be made to the family c/o Deal-Rice Funeral Home, 233 N. Main St., Andrews, Indiana 46702. Online condolences may be made at dealricefuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, September 27, 2011

Joyce Ellen Munroe, 68, Bunker Hill, died at 10:40 p.m. at St. Joseph Hospital, Kokomo. Arrangements are pending at Allen Funeral Home, Bunker Hill.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, September 27, 2011

Richard "Dick" Batey, 76, passed away at 3:36 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 25, 2011 at Caring Hands Health Care Center, Peru, Ind. He was born June 25, 1935 in Kokomo, Ind. the son of Leslie and Thelma Andrews Batey. Dick married Virginia Ann Shuck on Dec. 31, 1953 and she preceded him in death on Sept. 19, 1996. He then married Sandra VanDorn on June 23, 1998 and she survives. Dick was a 1953 graduate of Kokomo High School where he was a member of the wrestling team and he belongs to the Amboy United Methodist Church. He was employed as a tool and die maker for 30 years at Delco/GM. He was a devoted husband and grandfather and particularly enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren. Dick enjoyed woodworking, playing cards, horseshoes, ping pong, board games and traveling. Surviving in addition to his wife Sandra of Kokomo are his children Stephen Batey and his wife Pam of Amboy, Scott A. Batey and his wife Nan of Pleasant Lake, Ind. and Sabrina Honda and her husband Kevin of Fort Walton Beach, Fla.; a sister, Carolyn Budd of Greentown; 10 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren and great-great grandchildren. A service celebrating the life of Richard "Dick" Batey will be held at noon, Thursday, Sept. 29, 2011 at the Laird-Eddy Funeral Home, 201 N. Main St., Amboy, Ind. Burial will be in Park Lawn Cemetery, Amboy, Ind. Family and friends will gather from 10 to noon Thursday at the Laird-Eddy Funeral Home. Online condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, September 28, 2011

Dwain E. "Curly" Hiers, age 74, of Fairmount, died Monday, Sept. 26, 2011, at Miller's Merry Manor in Marion after a short illness. Dwain was a truck driver and member of Teamster Local 135 of Indianapolis. He drove for Essex for 14 years and also for Hi-Way Dispatch, Carey Transport of Lafayette and Gladieux of Ft. Wayne. He also farmed for Gough Family Farms of Fairmount and Morrie Hull of Summitville. Dwain enjoyed delivering the Helping Hands Christmas Baskets. He was a member of the Madison County RC Fliers Club. He was a woodworker and enjoyed making his planes from scratch and was a member of the Grant United Methodist Church. Dwain was the son of the late Omer Hiers and the late Flossie (Draving) Hiers. He was born in Peru Indiana on April 20, 1937. He graduated from Peru High High School in 1956 and married Evelyn L. Walls on Aug. 26, 1961. She survives in Fairmount. He is also survived by one daughter, Janet (J.D.) Liston, Fairmount; one son, Daryl Hiers, Alexandria; a sister, Sue Lundberg, Peru, sister-in-law, Audrey Hiers, Peru; two nieces, Laura Bates, Peru, and Renee (Dan) Ray, Peru, two nephews, Chuck Lundberg, Montana, and Mike Lundberg, Peru; and great nieces and nephew: Nathan Ray, Lindsey Lundberg and Leera Arguello. He was preceded in death by three brothers, Kenneth, John, and Ronald "Buck." Arrangements are being handled by Armes-Hunt Funeral Home, 415 S. Main St., Fairmount, where the family will receive friends from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 29, 2011. Funeral service will be at Armes-Hunt Funeral Home at 10 a.m., Friday, Sept. 30, 2011, the Rev. Anthony Stone and the Rev. Steve Fletcher officiating. Interment will be at Park Cemetery, Fairmount. Memorial contributions may be made to Grant United Methodist Church in care of the funeral home. Online condolences may be made at www.armeshuntfuneralhome.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, September 28, 2011

Joyce Ellen Munroe, 68, Bunker Hill, Ind. passed away Sept. 25, 2011 at 10:40 p.m. at Saint Joseph Hospital, Kokomo, Ind. She was born in Peru, Sept. 3, 1943 to Harold and Ruth (Finster) Elmore, both preceding her in death. Joyce was retired from American Stationary. Survivors include daughter Amanda Munroe, Bunker Hill, son Stephen Munroe and wife Katherine, Dayton, Ohio, son Michael Munroe, Muskegon, Michigan. Also surviving are five grandchildren, Krystal, David, Kathryn,

Sarah and Collyn. A memorial service will be held Thursday, Sept. 29, 2011 at 1 p.m. at the Allen Funeral Home, 136 South Elm St., Bunker Hill with Pastor Charles Layne officiating. Friends may call from 11 a.m. to the time of service on Thursday at the Allen Funeral Home. Love offerings may be made to the Joyce Munroe family through the Allen Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, October 1, 2011

Audrey R. Schrader, 93, Peru, died at her residence. Graveside service will be Monday, Oct. 3, 2011 at 10 a.m. Burial will be at Mount Hope Cemetery. Arrangements entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, October 1, 2011

Rosanna Strom Smith, 84, Peru, died Friday, Sept. 29, 2011 at Lutheran Hospital, Ft. Wayne. Arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home. Calling hours will be 3-7 p.m. Monday. Funeral will be 11 a.m. Tuesday.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Sunday, October 2, 2011

Carl M. Rippy, 89, Peru, died at 1:10 a.m. Oct. 4, 2011 at Dukes Memorial Hospital. He was born June 17, 1922, in Indianapolis to Carlen and Myrtle (Lentz) Rippy. He married Frances (Millis) Rippy and she preceded him in death April 23, 2001. Carl retired as a farmer. He was a second lieutenant serving in the 8th Air Force, 453rd Bombardment Group during WW II. He was a navigator/bombardier on a B-24 participating in 36 missions over Europe. He is survived by his daughters, Cheryl (Dale) Kerschner, Denver, and Debby (Jim) Harkin, Peru; his brother, Howard E. (Fern) Rippy, Ladoga; Betty Kassig, Indianapolis; and seven grandchildren, Kate Jones, Indianapolis, Kim Popoff, Terre Haute, Mike Harkin, Westerville, Ohio, Kraig Kerschner, Columbia City, Tracey Ewell, Kyle Kerschner, Fort Wayne, and Kent Kerschner, Warsaw. Also surviving are 19 great-grandchildren. A funeral service will be 2 p.m. Thursday in Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St. Burial will be in Mount Hope Cemetery. Friends may call 4 to 7 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to donor's choice. There will be a military committal service provided by the Miami County Military Rites Unit.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, October 3, 2011

Rosanna Smith, 84, of Peru, died Sept. 29, 2011 at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne. Smith was born Aug. 1, 1927 to William H. and Sarah (Stephenson) Williams. She married Ernest D. Strom and later Keith Smith, both of whom preceded her in death. Smith worked at Miller's Merry Manor for 32 years before retiring and was a member of the Moose Lodge Ladies' Auxiliary. She is survived by daughters Sandra Basey of Indianapolis and Terita (Tim) Brewing of Fort Wayne; sons Jesse (Nga) Strom of Fairfax, Va. And Lee Strom of Alexandria, Va.; sisters Agnes Bowman of Peru, Mary McIntosh of Peru and Betty Bilodeau of Wabash; six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. In addition to her husbands, Smith was preceded in death by her parents; brothers Raymond, Delbert, Les, Louie and infant brother Leonard; a sister, Verna and an infant sister Marjorie. The funeral will take place 11 a.m. Tuesday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral home, with Pastor Gary Colby officiating, with the burial at Mount Hope Cemetery to follow. Friends may call at the funeral from 3-7 pm. Monday. Memorial contributions may be made to Peru's Circus Festival.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, October 7, 2011

Anna "Baba" Tschiniak, 93, of Peru, passed away at 6:10 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 6, 2011 at Dukes Memorial Hospital, Peru. She was born in Ukraine, June 7, 1918. She married Jacob Tschiniak in 1939 and he preceded her in death Feb. 1, 1986. The family came to America March 3, 1951. She was a devoted mother, and homemaker. She attended the Ukraine Orthodox Church and First Baptist Church in Peru. Anna enjoyed gardening, cooking, and music. Surviving Anna are three sons, Michael Tschiniak (wife Tami), Peru, son Peter Tschiniak (wife Joyce), Peru, son Jacob Tschiniak Jr. (wife Diana), Peru, and three daughters, Valentine Scott (husband David) Peru, Olga Wilson, (husband James) Peru, and Nadia Ebert, of Peru. She is also survived by 12 grandchildren, and 28 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by one grandchild, and three great grandchildren. A service will be held at 11 a.m. Monday Oct. 10, 2011 at the First Baptist Church, 53 E. Main St., Peru with Pastor Robert Adelsperger officiating. Burial will be at Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru, Ind. Friends may call on Sunday from 3 to 8 p.m. at the First Baptist Church. Memorials may be made to the Peru Community Orchestra Foundation. Arrangements entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funderal Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, October 7, 2011

Donald W. Personett, 68, Akron, Ind. passed away at 8 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 5, 2011 at his residence. He was born in Gilead, Ind. March 16, 1943 to Lawrence I. and Ellen "Lucille" (Runkle) Personett. He married Dolores Jean Bowman, August 12, 1995 and she survives. Donald graduated from Gilead High School in 1961, he was a self-employed machinist. He came from Miami County, and has lived in Akron since 1991. Along with his wife, Jean, he is survived by four daughters, Lisa (spouse Mike) Siblisk, Peru, Tammy (spouse DJ) Johnson, Peru, Amy (spouse Rob) Smalley, Columbus, Melissa Horn, Mexico; four step-sons, Jerry (spouse Sue) Seidner, Travers City, Mich., Frank (spouse Diane) Dyer, Traver City Mich., Scott (spouse Laurie) Dyer, Traver City, Mich.; two step-daughters, Kathy Minix, Akron, Jeannie (spouse Richard) Howard, Skandia, Mich.; two brothers, Earl (spouse Ruby) Personett, Phoenix, Arizona, Harold (spouse June) Personett, Gilead; and two sisters, Marie (Bud) Nickels, Peru, Maryanne (spouse Jerry) Kuhn, North Manchester. Also surviving are 18 grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents. As per Donald's wishes, a private

burial will be at a later date in the Gilead Cemetery, Gilead. Arrangements by Earl-Love Funeral Home, Akron. Online condolences may be sent to earllovefuneralhome@gmail.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, October 7, 2011

James R. Winters, 76, of Akron, Ind. passed away at 11:40 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 5, 2011. He was born in Miami County Nov. 19, 1934 the son of Roy and Marie Ward Winters. Jim married Susie Carroll at the First Christian Church in Peru on Sept. 15, 1963 and she survives. Jim was a U. S. Army veteran and a railroad employee for more than 40 years. His railroad employment began at the Nickel Plate Railroad and he ended his career as a conductor with Norfolk and Southern. Surviving in addition to his wife, Susie, are sons, Archie Winters and his wife Michelle of Warsaw, and Jim Guyer and his wife Marie of Peru; a daughter Marie Benzing and her husband Robert of Akron; grandchildren, Blake Winters, Alexis Winters, Thor Benzing, Corbin Benzing, Mariah Benzing, Jamey Guyer and Jeremiah Guyer; sisters, Ellen Fox and her husband Dick of Springfield, Ill., Annette Shelton and her husband Jim of Peru, Ind., and brothers, Gene Winters and his wife Diane of Mexico, Ind. and Jan Winters of Peru Ind. and a sister-in-law Brownie Winters of Peru, Ind.. He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Earl Winters. A service celebrating the life of James R. Winters will be held at 2 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 8, 2011 at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main St., Peru, with Pastor David Ross officiating. Burial will be in the Mt. Hope Cemetery. Family and friends will gather from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home. Online condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, October 7, 2011

Robert Thor Benzing, 21, of Akron, Ind., passed away at 11:40 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 5, 2011. He was born in Wabash County, on Oct. 17, 1989 the son of Robert and Marie Winters Benzing. Thor was a 2008 graduate of Tippecanoe Valley High School and was attending Ivy Tech. He was an avid outdoorsman and thoroughly enjoyed hunting and fishing. Thor is survived by his parents, Robert and Marie Benzing of Akron, Ind.; his maternal grandmother, Susie Winters of Akron, Ind.; a brother Corbin Benzing of Akron, Ind. and a sister, Mariah Benzing of Akron, Ind. A service celebrating the life of Robert Thor Benzing will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 8, 2011 at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main St., Peru, with Pastor David Ross officiating. Burial will be in the Mt. Hope Cemetery. Family and friends will gather from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home. Online condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, October 8, 2011

Angela "Angie" Reinhardt, 41, Peru, passed away at 11:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 6, 2011 at her residence. She was born in Montgomery County, Va., July 9, 1970, the daughter of William W. Duncan (deceased) and Mary H. (Hawks) Duncan, of Virginia. She married Mark A. Reinhardt in 1995 and he survives. Angie was in the U.S. Air Force and the U.S. Air Force Reserve. She was a community representative for the American Cancer Society. Surviving in addition to her husband, Mark, and her mother Mary, is step-son Cory L. Reinhardt, Peru, and mother and father-in-law Blaine and Loretta Reinhardt, Peru. At the family's request, they would like if you have any pictures of Angie, to bring them to the memorial service and share them with family and friends. A memorial service will be held at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru, on Sunday, Oct. 9, 2011 at 3 p.m. with Pastor Bob Clark officiating. Friends may call from 1 to 3 p.m. Sunday at the Funeral Home. Memorials may be made to The American Cancer Society through the Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, October 8, 2011

Susan Wise Snyder 69, of Cottonwood, Ariz., died Oct. 5, 2011 after a short illness. She was born in Peru on Jan. 10, 1942 to Louis H. Wise and Alice McNamara Wise. She attended Peru High School and Indiana State University and received a BA degree in art education. She taught art in California for several years. She then worked as an interior designer and a graphic artist. She married John Snyder (deceased) in November of 1964, and they had a son Steven, of Arizona. She is survived by her son Steven; granddaughter Kiley Snyder, Arizona; sisters Roselyn Melaniphy of Chicago, and Catherine (Ted) Comerford of Peru; brother Jim "Louie" Wise (deceased); and five nieces and nephews. There will be a private memorial service.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, October 8, 2011

Wayne E. Kidd, 66, Peru, died 5:07 a.m. Friday, Oct. 7, 2011 at the VA Hospital in Fort Wayne. Arrangements are pending at Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, October 11, 2011

Ella Radel, 92, Peru, died at 12:20 p.m. Monday, Oct. 10, 2011. Arrangements are pending at Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, October 11, 2011

Hubert L. Burnside, 73, Peru, died Sunday, Oct. 9, 2011. Service is 11 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 12, 2011. Calling: one hour prior to service at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, October 11, 2011

Marguerite "Peg" Agness, 100, died at 1:02 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 8, 2011 at her residence. Arrangements are pending at Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, October 12, 2011

Anne Marie Wagner, 43, Peru, passed away at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 11, 2011 surrounded by her family at her residence. She was born in Miami County June 22, 1968 the daughter of John Wagner and Janet I. (Farley) Wagner. She was formerly employed at Four County Mental Health. Anne enjoyed NASCAR and fishing. She was a 1986 graduate of Lewis Cass High School. Survivors include a daughter, Rilee Wagner, Peru, Ind., mother Janet Williams, Peru, Ind., father John Wagner and wife Bobbye, Pittsburg, Pa., sister Tamma Breitweiser, Peru, Ind., sister, Michaela Gerster, Mansfield, Ohio, brother, John Wagner Jr., Pittsburg, Pa. A service will be held Friday Oct. 14, 2011 at 7 p.m. at the Gundrum Funeral Home, 1603 E. Broadway, Logansport, Ind. Visitation will be from 4-7 p.m. Friday at the Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, memorials to be made to the American Cancer Society. You may sign the guest book and send condolences at www.gundrumfuneralhome.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, October 12, 2011

Donald Eugene Wise, Jr., 58, Denver, passed away at 5:30 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 8, 2011 at his residence. Born Dec. 22, 1952 in Logansport, he was the son of Donald Eugene Wise, Sr. and Doris Anne Willy Wise. After graduating from Logansport High School in 1971, he went to work for Rockwell Standard now known as Matthew-Warren, where he worked for 39 years. He went to school part-time for seven years becoming first a machinist and then a tool and die maker. He was passionate about his occupation and dedicated to his fellow workers. Don was an avid mushroom hunter and fisherman. His favorite pastime, besides being a die-hard Colts fan, was spending time at his campsite by the river. He enjoyed reading, especially scientific and nature journals. He was a great handyman and enjoyed building projects with wood. He is survived by his parents who reside in Logansport; one daughter, Tara Drumm and her husband Jason, along with their children, Victoria "Tori" and Devon, all of Bryant; three siblings, Pamela Weber and husband Paul, Batesville; Madonna Lorraine and husband Ron, Houston, Texas; and Gene Wise and wife Tracy, Columbus; and several nieces and nephews. One sister Cynthia Anne Wise preceded him in death as well as his grandparents, Ethel and Victor, Sr., Willy and Joy Wise and John Wise. A memorial gathering will be held at McClain Funeral Home, Denver, on Saturday Oct. 15, 2011 from 1-3 p.m. There will be private burial at a later date. Memorial contributions may be made to the National Wildlife Federation.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, October 12, 2011

Dorothy A. Hall, 76, Peru, died at 12:38 p.m. Monday, Oct. 10, 2011 at Lutheran Hospital. Arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, October 12, 2011

Ella Radel, 92, of Peru, passed away at 12:20 p.m. Monday, Oct. 10, 2011 at her residence. She was born in Fort Wayne on April 4, 1919 the daughter of Orville L. and Bertha Stewart Biggs. Ella married John B. Radel, Sr. in Peru on Aug. 5, 1936 and he preceded her in death April 1, 2004. Ella Radel was a Peru High School graduate and attended Ivy Tech. She was a member of the Saint Charles Catholic Church, the Daughters of Isabella and the Altar Rosary Society. Ella had worked for Dr. Keith Giver for more than 15 years retiring in 1970. Her interests included quilting, painting and gardening. More than anything else, she loved her family and spending time with her grandchildren and loved ones. She is survived by a son Gerald Radel of Denver; grandchildren Todd (Angela) Radel, Mary Beth (Michael) Thayer, Gary (Marie) Radel, Angela (George) Walker, Natalie (Jeff) Rager and Ryan (Becky) Radel; 16 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild; a sister Helen Tucker of Peru and a brother Orville "Lee" Biggs, Jr. of West Covina, Calif. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband John, a son John B. Radel, Jr., five sisters and one brother. A Mass of Christian Burial celebrating the life of Ella Radel will be held at 10:30 a.m., Friday, Oct. 14, 2011 at the Saint Charles Catholic Church, 58 West Fifth Street, Peru, with the Rev. Francis I. Kilcline III officiating. Burial will be in Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru. Family and friends will gather from 4-8 p.m., Thursday at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main St., Peru. There will be a prayer service at 8 p.m., Thursday at the funeral home. Memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to the Miami County Helping Hands. Online condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, October 12, 2011

Jonathan Christopher Massey, born in Kokomo, Feb. 7, 1973 passed away on Sept. 9, 2011 at 12:45 CST in Lubbock, Texas. Jonathan was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints church and an organ donor. Jonathan is survived by his father and mother, Chris and Nancy Massey of Hampton, Va. Jonathan was preceded in death by his brother Daniel Eugene Massey. In lieu of flowers please send donations in Memory of Jonathan Massey to the Texas Elks Endowment, Inc., 1961 F.M. 1586, Gonzales, Texas 78629, phone (830) 875-2425. Services will be held in Peru Indiana at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints on 351 Business Route 31, Oct. 15, 2011 at 1 p.m.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, October 12, 2011

Marguerite "Peg" Agness, 100, of Peru, passed away at 1:02 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 8, 2011 at her residence. She was born in Grant County, July 2, 1911 the daughter of John and Olive Riggs Woodmansee. She married Gerald Powell and he preceded her in death. Peg married Thurman E. Agness on May 28, 1966 at the Main Street United Methodist Church in Peru and he preceded her in death on Jan. 13, 2011. Peg was a member of the McGrawsville United Methodist Church, a 1939 graduate of Sweetser High School and a former member of the Gamma Nu Sorority, the Clay Township Homemakers Club and the United Methodist Women. She worked in the office of Peru dentist Dr. Raymond Kahre. She and her husband Thurman enjoyed wintering in Bradenton, Fla. for 35 years and traveled all over the world together. She enjoyed being with her family and making beautiful afghans for all of them. She also enjoyed gardening, sewing projects and making scrapbooks. Surviving is a son Jay Agness and his wife Kathy of Cedar Falls, Iowa; a daughter Elaine Glassburn of Bunker Hill; daughters in law Barbara Powell of Bellefontaine, Ohio and Jeanne Powell of Glen, N.H.; grandchildren Teri (Doug) Roberts, Tamera (Rick) Allison, Robyn (William) Gruber, Kari (Matthew) Halke, Kevin Glassburn, Michael (Eliana) Agness, Susan (Kenneth) Larimer and Marcia (Michael) Kochel; 15 great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews including Judith Gruen, Janet McGriff, Nancy Alexander and Peggy DeVenter. Two sons Pastor Max Powell and Jerry Powell preceded her in death. A service celebrating the life of Peg Agness will be held at 11 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 15, 2011 at the McGrawsville United Methodist Church with Pastors Steve Austin and Kenny Cole officiating. Burial will be in Clymer Cemetery. Visitation will be from 6-8 p.m., Friday and 9-11 a.m. Saturday at the McGrawsville United Methodist Church. Memorial donations may be made to the McGrawsville United Methodist Church. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 West Main Street, Peru. Online condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, October 12, 2011

Nellie Sanders, 80, Oklahoma City, Okla., died. Funeral arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, October 12, 2011

Ronnie Vonderahe, 66, Macy, died at 3:30 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 11, 2011 at his residence. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, October 13, 2011

Dorothy A. Hall, 76, Peru, died at 12:38 p.m. Monday, Oct. 10, 2011 in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. She was born in Peru on Sept. 23, 1935, to Frank and Mildred (Wilson) Payne. She married Richard E. "Dick" Hall, who preceded her in death April 29, 2010. Dorothy worked in the Dollar General Plaza. She is survived by her children, Deborah (Randy) Beck, Fort Wayne, Charles (Kelly) Hall, Kokomo, Teresa (Ray) Brousseau, Fort Wayne, Lynn Hall, Peru, and Beth (David) Brousseau, Century, Fla.; six grandchildren, Holly (David) Brune, Chad Back, April Brousseau, Charlotte (David) Lowe, Shelby Hall and Hanna Brousseau; and a brother, James Payne, Indiana. She is also survived by several great-grandchildren. Dorothy was preceded in death by her parents, her husband and two sisters. A funeral service will take place 2 p.m. Saturday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St. Burial will be in Parklawn Cemetery, Amboy. Friends may call from 10 a.m. until the time of service Saturday at the funeral home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, October 13, 2011

John "Mikey" Zehring went to be with his family in Heaven on Tuesday morning the 11th day of October, 2011. Mike was born on March 16, 1941 to Joseph and Evelyn (Miller) Zehring at their residence in Miami County. Mike leaves behind his loving wife of 50 years, Linda (Binkerd) Zehring, two daughters, Michele (Dale) Sommers and Elizabeth "Liz" (John) Oldaker, both of Peru and his sister Anita (Fred) Shrock of Amboy. Mike was a wonderful loving grandfather to 12 grandchildren and 17 great grandchildren. Mike retired from the Town of Bunker Hill but they couldn't keep him away, it was what he liked to do, and returned to work as a part time employee and consultant. Mike was a proud member of the Bunker Hill Lions Club, the Bunker Hill Fish and Game Club, where he has held various board positions throughout the years. Mike also served on the Pipe Creek Volunteer Fire Department. Mike enjoyed spending time with his family and friends, fishing, hunting, being outdoors and sports of all kinds. Memorial contributions may be made to the Bunker Hill Little League, the Pipe Creek Volunteer Fire Department or the Bunker Hill Lions Club. Viewing will be held at the Pipe Creek Volunteer Fire Department on Saturday, Oct. 15, 2011 from 1-8 p.m., and Funeral Service will be at 2 p.m. at the firehouse, officiated by the Rev. Bill Sheets. Burial will be at Galveston Cemetery. Bunker Hill Lions Memorial Service 8 p.m. Saturday. Arrangement entrusted to Allen Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, October 13, 2011

Marvin Ensley, Jr., 86, Peru, died at 9:20 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 12, 2011 at Hickory Creek. Arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, October 13, 2011

Nellie L. Sanders, 80, of Peru, passed away in Oklahoma City, Okla. at 9 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 8, 2011. She was born in Wheatland, Ind. on May 8, 1931 to David and Livinia Ellis, both deceased. She was retired from Olin Corporation. Survivors include a daughter, Rita Sanders of Kokomo; son William Sanders, North Carolina; daughters Darlene Worden of Peru, Susan Grund of Indiana, and Symbolene King, Oklahoma; and a son, David Sanders of Peru. She had 12 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren. Nellie was preceded in death by her parents, a son, Eddie Sanders, one brother and three sisters. Funeral services will be at 6 p.m. Friday, Oct. 14, 2011 at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru, conducted by family members. Visitation will be from 4-6 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. Love offerings may be made to the Nellie Sanders family.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, October 13, 2011

Raymond Lewis Fry, 63, Peru, died at 2:30 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 12, 2011 at his residence. Arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, October 13, 2011

Ronnie Vonderahe, 66, Macy, passed away at 3:30 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 11, 2011 at his residence. A celebration of the life of Ronnie Vonderahe will be held later this fall.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, October 14, 2011

John "Mikey" Zehring went to be with his family in Heaven on Tuesday morning the 11th day of October 2011. Mike was born on March 16, 1941 to Joseph and Evelyn (Miller) Zehring at their residence in Miami County. Mike leaves behind his loving wife of 50 years, Linda (Binkerd) Zehring, two daughters Michele (Dale) Sommers and Elizabeth "Liz" (John) Oldaker both of Peru and his sister Anita (Fred) Shrock of Amboy. Mike was a wonderful loving grandfather to 12 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren. Mike retired from the Town of Bunker Hill but they couldn't keep him away, it was what he liked to do, and returned to work as a part time employee and consultant. Mike was a proud member of the Bunker Hill Lions Club, The Bunker Hill Fish and Game Club, where he has held various board positions throughout the years. Mike also served on The Pipe Creek Volunteer Fire Department. Mike enjoyed spending time with his family and friends, fishing, hunting, being outdoors and sports of all kinds. Memorial contributions may be made to The Bunker Hill Little League, The Pipe Creek Volunteer Fire Department or the Bunker Hill Lions Club. Viewing will be held at the Pipe Creek Volunteer Fire Department on Saturday, Oct. 15 from 1 - 8 p.m., and funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 16 at the firehouse, officiated by the Rev. Bill Sheets. Burial will be at Galveston Cemetery. Bunker Hill Lions Memorial Service 8 p.m. Saturday. Arrangement Entrusted To Allen-Funeral Home

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, October 14, 2011

Juanita Utter, 76, Argos, passed away at 4 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 13, 2011 at Hospice House of Elkhart. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, October 14, 2011

Leslie "Les" Horner, 85, rural Kokomo, died at 10:29 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 12, 2011. Service: 10:20 a.m. Monday, Oct. 17 at the Howard-Miami Mennonite Church. Visitation: 4 — 8 p.m. Sunday at the church. Arrangements by Laird-Eddy Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, October 14, 2011

On Wednesday Oct. 12, 2011, at 10:20 a.m., the Lord called our father home to be with Him, to join his loved ones who were there waiting on him. **Marvin Edward Ensley Jr.**, was born July 14, 1925 to Marvin E. Ensley Sr. and Esther Marie Chambers in Miami County. He married Edna M. Bishop on Sept. 11, 1960. Marvin had worked at Balley Furniture, Peru Foundry and GenCorp. He had retired from GenCorp in Marion in 1990. He enjoyed retirement by fishing, working in his garden, playing cards and doing what he loved most: spending time with his children and grandchildren. Marvin is survived by his ex-wife Edna Ensley; his children Alvin (Ronna) Ensley of Fulton, Jane Ensley of Peru, Ed (Martha) Ensley of Van Buren; grandchildren Shane (Sherry) Ensley, Kyle Ensley, Abbey Ensley, Ben Ensley, Charlie Ensley and one great-granddaughter, Stephanie Ensley. Our father never met a stranger. He enjoyed talking with everybody. He was one of the kindest, big-hearted men that have ever lived. He will be deeply missed by all of his family and friends. There will never be anybody like him ever again. To his extended family at Hickory Creek Nursing Home, thank you for loving and caring for your father. The Ensley family appreciates all that you have done for him. Marvin was preceded in death by his parents; two sisters Mildred Smith and Wilma Ensley; a brother Donald Ensley and infant daughter Corrina Ensley. Funeral arrangements are at Flowers & Leedy Funeral Home in Peru. Visitation is from 4 – 7 p.m. on Friday and the funeral is 10:30 a.m. Saturday. Burial services at Chili Cemetery, Pastor George Dinkel will be officiating.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, October 14, 2011

Patrick Downham, 57, passed away Thursday, Oct. 13, 2011 at Methodist Hospital, Indianapolis. Arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, October 14, 2011

Raymond Lewis "Lewie" Fry, 63, Peru, passed away at 2:30 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 12, 2011. He was born Nev. 17, 1947 in Logansport to Raymond O. and Margaret (McMinn) Fry, both deceased. He married Diana Kirk on Sept. 3, 1971. Lewis was retired and was also a veteran of the United States Air Force. Survivors include a daughter, Lt. Col. Leah R. Fry and husband Craig Beck, of South Carolina. He was also survived by nieces Christine, Jamie, Lana and Sherrie and six great-nieces and nephews. Lewie also had a brother, James E. Fry of Peru. He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister Janet Dagnen. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, Oct. 17 at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home with Pastor Bob Clark officiating. Burial will follow in Ever-Rest Memorial Park, Cass County. The Miami County Military Rites team will provide military honors at the cemetery. Friends may call Sunday from 2-5 p.m. at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third Street.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, October 15, 2011

Brenda R. Awker, 57, Peru, died at 3:04 a.m. Friday, Oct. 14, 2011 at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. Arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, Peru.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, October 15, 2011

Jane Hoffman, 67, Rochester, died Thursday, Oct. 13, 2011 at her residence. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, October 15, 2011

Leslie "Les" Horner, 85, rural Kokomo, died at 10:29 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 12, 2011. Service: 10:30 a.m. Monday, Oct. 17 at Howard-Miami Mennonite Church. Visitation 4-8 p.m. Sunday at the church. Arrangements by Laid-Eddy Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, October 15, 2011

Patrick "Pat" O. Downham, 57, Peru, passed away on Wednesday, Oct. 13, 2011 at Methodist Hospital, Indianapolis. He was born May 19, 1954, in Lafayette, the son of Wayne and Marjorie (Altic) Downham. Pat retired from Downham Heating and Cooling and served in the U.S. Air Force. He is survived by his father, Wayne, Peru, brother Michael Downham, Kokomo, sister, Martha Downham, Peru and sister Twilla Wojocieczowski, Lakeville, Minn. He was preceded in death by his mother, Marjorie. A service will be held at 1 p.m. Monday, Oct. 17, at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., with the Rev. Dennis Chapman officiating. Burial will be at Ever-Rest Memorial Park, Cass County. Friends may call at the funeral home from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, October 15, 2011

Ray Emerson Michael, 79, Denver, passed away on Oct. 13, 2011 at Miller's Merry Manor in Peru. Born Feb. 3, 1932 in Mishawaka, he was the son of the late George E. and Mary A. Glassburn Michael. Ray retired in 1997 from North Miami Elementary School where he had worked for 18 years as head custodian. He was a charter member and served 24 years with the Denver Lions Club. He enjoyed fishing and camping at Lukens Lake near Roann.. He enjoyed Notre Dame and San Francisco 49ers football as well as Jeff Gordon racing. Ray could be found in the afternoons enjoying a healthy dose of education - watching Loony Toons and Tom and Jerry. Survivors include one daughter, Regina Alder, Delphi; one son, Brian Michael, Logansport; one brother, Ronald Lee Michael, Mexico; his companion Beverly Ann Clemons, Denver; several nieces and nephews; and his beloved cat Tommy. He was preceded in death by one sister, Ruby Mae Michael. Funeral services will be held at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 18, 2011 at McClain Funeral Home, Denver. Burial will be private on Wednesday at Westlawn Cemetery, Denver. Visitation will be held from 4-8 p.m. on Tuesday at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to Denver Lions Club.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, October 17, 2011

Brenda R. Awker, 57, of Peru, died at 3:04 a.m., Oct. 14, 2011 at Lutheran Hospital. She was born July 10, 1954, to Russell and Freda (Correll) Awker, both of whom preceded her in death. Brenda, a homemaker, was poet, she also loved animals and all God's creatures. She had a big heart and would take in any homeless both two and four legged. But most of all she loved her children. Brenda was survived by daughters Cindi (Jason) Ray of Peru, Tammy (Josh) Carter of Peru and Natasha (Jeremy) Adams; sons David Norman, Greg Norman and Michael Norman; several nieces and nephews; her brother Dick (Tehachapi) Awker of California; her sisters Violet Bacon of Mexico, Vera (Frank) Foister of Hartford City, Avis (Ron) Harris of Roann, Sherry (Dave) Beeching of Amboy and Carolyn (Rick) Murgaw of Amboy; seven grand children and one great-grandchild. She was preceded in death by a sister, Shirley Ann Awker and a daughter, Shelley Norman. A private memorial service will be held and arrangements were made by Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, October 18, 2011

Alice J. Gerhart, beloved wife, mother and grandmother passed away peacefully on Oct. 13, 2011 in Colorado Springs, Colo. She was born in Peru, Ind., Dec. 7, 1931 to the late Clifford and Helen Jones. Alice graduated from Purdue University with a degree in English and Journalism in 1953. After graduation, she was the editor of a trade magazine, taught school and wrote commercials for KRDO Radio in Colorado Springs, Colo. She was actively involved in Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority and P.E.O. She loved to travel, play bridge and spend time with family. She leaves behind her devoted husband, Neil R. Gerhart, loving children, Jeff (Vicki) Gerhart of Monument, Colo., Judy Gerhart of Colorado Springs, Colo. and her grandchildren, Breanne, Ashley and Madison. A celebration of life is scheduled for Tuesday, Oct. 18, 2011 at 1 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 219 East Bijou, Colorado Springs, Colo. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Colorado P.E.O Chapter House Inc. 1819 W. Cheyenne Road, Colorado Springs, Colo. 80906.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, October 18, 2011

Frank D. Wright, 76, of Peru, passed away at 2:04 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 16, 2011 at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne. He was born Feb. 21, 1935 in Dyersburg, Tenn., the son of Bid and Annie Rose Wright. He married Dovie Mosley Wright on March 16, 1953 and she survives. He worked at Moon Fabricating as a welder for 20 years and for the Indiana Department of Transportation for 13 years. Surviving in addition to his wife Dovie are four sons: Ricky Wright of Peru, Frankie Wright and his wife Jamie of Peru, Edward Wright of Peru and Charlie Wright of Peru; brothers Gene Wright of Phoenix, Ariz. and Cecil Wright of Phoenix, Ariz.; sisters Edna Young of Calif. and Janette Glass of Oregon; 13 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by three great-grandchildren and eight brothers and sisters. A service celebrating the life of Frank D. Wright will be at 1 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 20, 2011 at Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main St., Peru, with the Rev. Robert Adelsperger officiating. Burial will be at Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru. Family and friends will gather 10 a.m. to noon on Thursday at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, October 19, 2011- Thursday, October 20, 2011

Brenda R. Awker, 57, of Peru passed away at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne at 3:04 a.m. Friday, Oct. 14, 2011. She was born in Peru July 10, 1954 to Russell and Freda (Correll) Awker. She was a homemaker and a poet. She loved animals and all God's creatures. She had a big heart and would take in any homeless being, two legged or four legged. Most of all though, Brenda loved her children. Survivors include a daughter Cindy (Jason) Ray, Peru; daughter Tammy (Josh) Carter, Peru; son David Norman, Peru; son Greg Norman, Peru; son Michael Norman, Indianapolis; daughter Natasha (Jeremy) Adams, Peru; and several nieces and nephews. Many of her children's friends called her "Mom." She is also survived by her brother, Dick (Mary) Awker of Tehachapi, Calif.; sisters Violet Bacon of Mexico, Vera (Frank) Foister of Hartford City, Avis (Ron) Harris of Roann, Sherry (Dave) Beeching of Amboy, and Carolyn (Rick) Murgaw. She was the grandmother of seven, and great-grandmother of one. Brenda was preceded in death by her parents, a sister, Shirley Ann Awker, and a daughter, Shelly Norman. There will be a private memorial service. Arrangements are entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third Street, Peru.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, October 20, 2011

Mary E. McIntosh, 86, passed away at 3 a.m. at Miller's Merry Manor, Peru, after an extended illness. She was a resident of Peru her entire life. Mary was married to Burnell Ramer and John McIntosh, both of whom preceded her in death. She and her husband Burnell Ramer, had five children including her daughter Julie Dunkley, Clinton, two children Jim Ramer and Mary Lou, preceded her in death. Also surviving in addition to nieces and nephews are two grandchildren, Shannon and Mika of Clinton and four great-grandchildren, also of Clinton. A funeral service will be held on Friday, Oct. 21 at 2 p.m. at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, located at 105 W. Third St., Peru. Friends may call Friday from noon until the time of service, with the Rev. Gary Colby officiating. Burial will be at Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru. Arrangements entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, October 21, 2011

Andrew Smith, 79, Peru, passed away at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 19, 2011 at Saint Joseph Hospital, Fort Wayne. He was born in Delphi, Ind. Dec. 24, 1931 the son of Ephriam and Dora (Parman) Smith. He married Gladys (Long) Smith in 1955 and she survives. Andrew retired from the U.S. Army, serving in Korea and Vietnam. He was a member of the V.F.W. Andrew is survived by son Paul Smith (wife Joy), Peru, daughter Carol Hendrickson, Peru, and son Mark Smith, LaPorte, Ind., brother Robert Smith, Logansport, sister Marie Nicklous, Rochester, 10 grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren. Also surviving are two other sisters. He was preceded in death by his parents and one son, Alan Smith. A funeral service will be held Tuesday, Oct. 25, 2011 at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru at noon, with Pastor David Jodry officiating. Burial will be at the Marion National Cemetery, Marion, Ind. Friends may call from 10 a.m. until time of service Tuesday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home. Military services by the Miami County Military Rites Team. Memorial to: American Heart.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, October 21, 2011

Marvin Leo Jones, 88, Mexico, passed away at 1:25 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 19, 2011 at Saint Joseph Hospital, Kokomo. Born Dec. 18, 1922 in Kouts, Ind. he was the son of Myron and Lois F. Rinker Jones. On March 16, 1946 in Anderson, Ind. he

was married to Maribel J. Kern, and she preceded him in death in Jan. 2003. He was a member of the Mexico Church of the Brethren where he faithfully served for many years. He was a charter member of the Mexico Lions Club and a lifetime member of the Muncie Masonic Lodge. He retired from Frances Slocum Bank in 1995 ending a long career in banking that began at Peru Trust Company. He was a U.S. Army veteran, having served during WWII in Europe. Survivors include two sons, Kerny C. Jones and wife Mary Kaye, Peru; and Kenny L. Jones and wife Judy, Logansport; four grandchildren, Sean J. Jones, Samantha M. Malott, Keenan Jones, and Marvin Jones; one brother, Eugene Jones, Anderson; two sisters, Suze Williamson, Anderson; and Lois Boydston, Tucson, Ariz. One brother Robert Jones preceded him in death. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 22, 2011 at McClain Funeral Home, Denver with Pastor Dave Beebe officiating. Burial will follow in Greenlawn Cemetery, Mexico. Friends may call from 3 to 7 p.m. on Friday at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to the Mexico Lions Club.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, October 21, 2011

Rosanna Dewald Purvis, 91, Peru, died at 5:45 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 20, 2011 at Blair Ridge Health Campus, Peru. Arrangements are pending at McClain Funeral Home, Denver.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, October 21, 2011

Thomas M. White, 75, Rochester, died Thursday, Oct. 20, 2011 at Woodlawn Hospital. Service: Monday, Oct. 24, 2011 at the Saint Joseph Catholic Church, 1210 Main St., Rochester. Arrangements by Good Family Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, October 21, 2011

William J. Leffel, 73, Peru, passed away at 2:49 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 19, 2011 at Dukes Memorial Hospital, Peru. Born July 22, 1938 in Denver, Ind. he was the son of William and Delores Laycock Leffel. On May 14, 1959 in Covington, Ind. he was married to Margaret Croft and she survives. Bill worked in construction most of his life and owned and operated his own company, Leffel Construction. He also worked for Steinberger Construction, Logansport the last few years before retiring. He graduated from Jefferson Township High School and graduated from IBM School, Saint Louis. He is survived by his wife, Margaret Leffel, Peru; mother, Delores Hodson and her husband Carl, Peru; son, Phillip Leffel and wife Cyndi, Rochester; son-in-law, Greg Holden, Peru; daughter-in-law Tawna Leffel, Peru; three brothers, David Leffel and wife Virginia, Peru; Steve Leffel and wife Mary, Peru; Stanley Leffel and wife Jan, Tenn. He leaves behind three special grandsons who were the light of his life, Zachary and Nicholas Leffel and Shane Holden. He is also survived by his step grandchildren, Adam Webster and Courtney Howay and husband Pat, and step great grandchildren, Jackson and Samuel Howay. He was preceded in death by his father, his daughter, Charlotte Holden and one brother, Tom Leffel. Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 23, 2011 at McClain Funeral Home, 3500 W. Indiana 15, Denver, Ind. with Mark Peters and Janet Nichol officiating. Burial will follow at Greenlawn Cemetery, Mexico. Visitation will be from 2 to 8 p.m. on Saturday at the funeral home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, October 21, 2011

William "Bill" Carson Herron, 88, Peru, died at 5:30 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 20, 2011 at his daughter's residence. He was born in Cookeville, Tenn. on Feb. 25, 1923 to Asa Herron and Marietta Garvin. He married Ruby May (Esterday) Herron and she preceded him in death. Bill was retired. He served in the U.S. Army during WWII and was a life member of FVW 2067 and past commander for several years. In the Army, he was a heavy equipment operator and truck driver. He earned the good conduct medal, WWII victory medal and combat infantry badge. He is survived by his daughter, Mary Turner and husband Jim, La Fontaine; a granddaughter, Hope Short, Georgia; and a brother, Floyd Herron, Oregon. He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, two brothers and three sisters. A funeral service will be 10 a.m. Monday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., with Pastor Kenny Cole officiating. Burial will be in Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru. Military services by the Miami County Military Rites Team. Friends may call from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home. Memorials to: The Miami County Military Rites Team.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, October 22, 2011

Lawrence B. "Larry" Westendorf, 76, of rural Somerset, Indiana, died at 2:10 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 20, 2011 at Timbercrest Healthcare Center in North Manchester. He was born Oct. 28, 1934 in Marion, Ind. to Cyril and Mae (Gray) Westendorf. He married Darlene Lane in Marion on Dec. 31, 1955. He was a self-employed vinyl top installer, a U.S. Air Force veteran, and was a musician, playing drums in bands for 30 years. Larry was member of Saint Bernard Catholic Church, and a former member of H.O.G. (Harley Owner's Group). He enjoyed motorcycles, hot rods, boats and anything with a motor. He is survived by his wife, Darlene Westendorf of Somerset; son, Nick (Teresa) Westendorf of Wabash; daughter, Tracey Harper-Westendorf of Somerset; five grandchildren, Nick (Amanda) Westendorf, Jr. of Portland, Ore., Jeremy (Stephanie) Westendorf, Nicole Westendorf, and Tiffany (Max) Shenefield, all of Wabash, and Kirsten Pecsénye of Somerset, six great-grandchildren; close friend, Warren Pecsénye of Wabash, and many good friends and neighbors. He was preceded in death by his son, Bernard Westendorf, who died Jan. 11, 2008. Funeral mass will be held at Saint Bernard Catholic Church, 188 W. Sinclair Street, Wabash, on Monday, Oct. 24, 2011 at 10 a.m. with Father Sextus Don officiating. Burial will be in Mississinewa Cemetery, Somerset. Friends may call 2 to 6 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 23 at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Home, 1241 Manchester Avenue, Wabash. Preferred memorial is Hirshberg Foundation for Pancreatic Cancer Research, 2990 S. Sepulveda

Boulevard, Suite 300C, Los Angeles, Calif. 90064. The memorial guest book for Larry may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, October 22, 2011

Mary McIntosh, 84, passed away Wednesday, Oct. 19, 2011 at Millers Merry Manor in Peru, after an extended illness. She lived her entire life in Peru. She was born in Peru to Sara Elizabeth and William H. Williams, both deceased. Mary was married to Burnell Ramer and John McIntosh, both of whom preceded her in death. Mary and her husband Burnell Ramer had five children, including her daughter Julie Dunkley of Clinton; two children, Jim Ramer and Mary Lou who preceded her in death; Cindy, and Andy. A daughter Mary Lou, died in infancy. Also surviving are grandchildren and great-grandchildren in Clinton, Ind., and several nieces and nephews. Surviving sisters are Agnes Bowman of Peru; Betty Bilodeau of Wabash; Marjorie Williams, Verna Mullikin, and Rosanna Strom Smith who passed away on Sept. 29, 2011. She also had five brothers: Leonard, Lester, Lewis, Raymond and Delbert Williams, all of whom preceded her in death. Her visitation and funeral were on Friday, Oct. 21, 2011 at the Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru. Burial was in the Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, October 22, 2011

Ralph "Dewayne" Hutton, 80, of Kokomo, passed from this life at 2:15 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 19, 2011. He was born Dec. 6, 1930 to James Alvus Hutton and Mildred Ura (Baer) Hutton in White County, Indiana. On Feb. 11, 1950 in Chicago, Ill., he married Jessie Hutton. On Sept. 20, 1991, in Kokomo, Ind., he married Mary "Francie" Hedrick Adams. He worked at International Harvester in data processing in Chicago from 1950 to 1951, before serving in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He worked at International Harvester from 1953 to 1954, following the war; and moved to Kokomo, Ind. to work at Haynes International (Stellite) in 1954. He retired from Haynes International in 1986 after working there for 32 years. He was a graduate of Monticello High School, Monticello, Ind.; attended Blackburn College in Carlinville, Ill. He was a Korean War veteran, member of the American Legion Post 6, Haynes International Quarter Century Club, past member of Kokomo Y-Men's Club. He was a gentle, easygoing, unassuming man. He had a sense of humor and enjoyed practical jokes. He had enjoyed fishing and playing cards, watching basketball and football, especially Purdue basketball and football, the Indianapolis Colts, and "The Bears," and enjoyed watching NASCAR racing. He leaves behind his wife Francie; son and daughter-in-law, Dan and Sue Hutton of Alta Loma, Calif.; two daughters and a son-in-law, Mary and Andy Loudon of Indianapolis, Ind., and Joyce Lucchetti of Carmel, Ind. His children's mother Jessie Hutton. Grandchildren Katie and Erik Jertberg, Mary and Shane Bearly, Michael and Racheal Parsons, Danny Parsons, Duncan Loudon and Alyssa Lucchetti. Great-grandchildren Kailey and Daniel Parsons and William and George Jertberg. His extended family: stepdaughters Regina Bryant and Melanie Adams. Step grandchildren Quinton and Jennifer Bryant, Nathan and Kim Vega, Brandon Irvin, Ana Adams and William Adams. Step great grandchildren Cooper, Camryn and Callie Bryant, Urban and Gavin Vega. Many cousins, nieces and nephews. His parents preceded him in death, as did a daughter and son-in-law Debra and Michael Parsons, a sister and brother-in-law Vivian and Jean Pingry, sister and brother-in-law Ione and Gerald Dunker, sister and brother-in-law Anna Mae and Ned Grimes. Visitation is from 4 to 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 22, 2011 at Ellers Mortuary, 3400 S. Webster St., Kokomo, Ind., with the funeral following at 7 p.m. Gregg Lockwood will officiate. Burial with military rites will be in Pipe Creek Cemetery, Monticello, Ind., at 1 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 23, 2011. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the charity of your choice. You may read the Hutton obituary at www.ellersmortuary.com where you can sign the guestbook, order flowers, or share a personal message to the family.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, October 22, 2011

Rosanna DeWald Purvis, 91, Peru, passed away at 5:45 a.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 20, 2011 at Blair Ridge Health Campus, Peru. Born Aug. 1, 1920 in Miami County she was the daughter of John W. and Marie Savage Alspach. She was married to William J. DeWald in 1940 and he preceded her in death in 1963. She then married James Purvis in 1979 and he preceded her in death in 1989. She is survived by her children, Shirley Hairrell and husband Roger, Morrow, Ohio; Donald DeWald and wife Beverly, Macy; Deloris Kingery and husband Fred, Peru; and John DeWald and wife Cathy, Peru; grandchildren, Lorri Allen and husband Don; Dawn Johnston and husband Bob; Jim DeWald, Brian DeWald and wife Norma; Michelle Brooks and husband Travis; Erika Toman and husband Nick; and Kurt DeWald; nine great grandchildren, and her special cat, Buffy. She was preceded in death by one granddaughter Tammy Kingery. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday, Oct. 24, 2011 at McClain Funeral Home, Denver with Pastor George Dinkel officiating. Burial will follow in Deedsville I.O.O.F. Cemetery. Visitation will be from 5 to 8 p.m. on Sunday at the funeral home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, October 24, 2011

Bill Beliles, 63, Rochester, died at 4:05 p.m. Friday, Oct. 21, 2011 at Woodlawn Hospital. Arrangements are pending at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, October 24, 2011

Brent Sherrick, 38, Peru, died at 7:02 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 22, 2011 at Saint Vincent Hospital, Indianapolis. Arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, October 24, 2011

Elsie Branam, 84, Peru, died at 9:50 p.m. Friday, Oct. 21, 2011 at Memorial Hospital. She was born May 29, 1927 in Knoxville, Tenn. to Clifford Howard and Oreen (May) Howard. She married Vernon Branam on April 19, 1963 and he survives. Elsie was a homemaker and a member of EastPointe Bible Church. She is survived by her husband; daughters, Carolyn L. Shaffer, Peru, and Margaret (Richard) Taylor, Knoxville, Tenn.; four grand children, Marty Murphy, Tommy Murphy, Wes Shaffer and Steve Shaffer; her brothers, Jim Howard, C.W. Howard and Paul Howard, all of Knoxville, Tenn.; and a sister, Margaret Smathers, Alamogordo, N.M. She is also survived by 12 great-grandchildren and one great great-grandchild. A memorial service will be held at East Pointe Bible Church, 1540 E. Paw Paw Pike at 6 p.m. Oct. 26, 2011 with Pastor Jim Butler officiating. Arrangements entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, October 26, 2011

Brent "Duke" Sherrick, 38, of Peru, passed away at 7:02 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 22, 2011 at Saint Vincent Hospital, Indianapolis. He was born Sept. 22, 1973 in Chicago, Ill., the son of Nancy (Bedwell) Turpin, and the late Robert Sherrick. He married Donna (Bowles) Sherrick, Dec. 31, 1993 and she survives. He was a member of the Mount Hermon Missionary Baptist Church. Duke was known as a Mr. Fix It, Jack of all trades. He loved spending time with family and friends, and never met a stranger. Duke is survived by his wife Donna, his mother, Nancy, and seven children: sons Brent Sherrick, Peru, Jeremy Hendricks, Peru, Nicholas Sherrick, Peru, Joshua Hendricks, W.Va., and daughters Alicia Sherrick, Peru, Heather Myers, Selma, Ind., and Rachel Torres, Va. Also surviving are three grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his father, Robert, and a brother, Earl Ray Sherrick. A memorial service will be Wednesday, Oct. 26 at Mount Hermon Missionary Baptist Church, 451 W. Second St., 5 p.m. with Pastor E.J. Lacy officiating. Friends may call from 3 to 5 p.m. Wednesday at Mount Hermon Missionary Baptist Church. Love offerings may be made to the Brent "Duke" Sherrick Family through the Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home. Arrangements entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, October 26, 2011

Donald Eugene Rans, 82, Rochester, died Tuesday, Oct. 25, 2011 at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne. Service: 11 a.m. Friday, Oct. 28 in the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation is one hour prior to service.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, October 27, 2011

Christopher A. Holloway, 51, Rochester, died at 5:58 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 25, 2011 at Memorial Hospital in South Bend. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, Ind.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, October 27, 2011

John L. Parkman, 82, of Peru, passed away at 4:45 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 25, 2011 at Blair Ridge Health Campus in Peru. He was born in Peru July 4, 1929, the son of John and Adabelle Murphy Parkman. John Married Jessica "Kiki" Weis in Peru on February 12, 1956 and she survives. He was a 1947 graduate of Peru High School. John was a Korean War veteran serving in the U.S. Marine Corps, and was employed as an engineer on the Norfolk and Western Railroad for more than 42 years, retiring in 1989. He was a member of the American Legion, Glen Owens Post #14. Surviving in addition to his wife Kiki, are his sons: Mark Parkman and his wife Terie of Peru; Michael Parkman and his wife Cathy of Acworth, Georgia; and Clay Parkman and his wife Carolene of Peru; a sister, Kay Parkman of Saopaulo, Calif., a brother-in-law, Ron Gustafson of Peru; grandchildren Nicholas Parkman, Emily Davenport, Jared Parkman, Megan McConnell, John Morgan Parkman, Brittany Parkman and Jessica Parkman. Also surviving are great-grandchildren Ellie Parkman, Tessa Davenport and Karter Gilleland. He also leaves behind his beloved dog, Gracie. He was preceded in death by his parents, and a sister, Carol Gustafson. There will be no visitation or funeral service. The Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main St., Peru, assisted the family with arrangements. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to Miami County Helping Hands. Condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, October 27, 2011

Kenneth Daniel Runkle, 83, of St. James City, Fl passed away on Friday October 21, 2011. He is a native of Macy, and a retired dispatcher with Northern Indiana Public Service Co. (NIPSCO). He is a veteran of the U.S. Army and a Life member of the VFW Post 4353 also the American Legion Post 136, Moose Lodge 1954, and life member of the Elks Lodge, a former member of Masonic Lodge in Macy, Ind., as well as Maennerchor in Peru. He was also a member of the Pine Island United Methodist Church. Survivors include his wife of 59 years Marjorie E. Runkle; two daughters Bonita Fox of Mexico, and Brenda Phillipy of Logansport; son Larry Wayne Runkle of Peru; two brothers Hubert Runkle of Fort Wayne, and Donald Runkle of Angola; a sister Norma Pugh of Georgia. Family and friends may sign the guest register by visiting www.dignifiedcremations.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, October 28, 2011

Dennis L. Ramer, 64, Peru, died at his residence at 4 p.m. Oct. 22, 2011. Arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, October 29, 2011

David A. Weller, 55, Denver, died at 3:45 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 27, 2011 at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne. Services are pending at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, Roann

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, October 29, 2011

Dennis L. Ramer, 64, Peru, passed away Oct. 22, 2011. He was born April 11, 1947 to the late Vermont and Betty M. Ramer. He is survived by his children, Carol Craw of Galveston, Ind.; Jason Ramer, Peru; and Amy Savini, also of Peru; his six grandchildren, Morgan Craw, Avery Craw, Whitney Savini, Ethen Ramer, Nora Craw and Emmalee Ramer. He is also survived by his siblings, Gloria Bockover, Maryann Fuqua and Joyce Bockover. Dennis attended Ridgeview High School, and was a lifelong member of the Moose Lodge in Peru. Friends and family may pay their respects to Dennis and his family Monday, Oct. 31, 2011, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru. Graveside services will follow at Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru. Pastor Aaron Webb will officiate. A love offering may be made in honor of Dennis, through the funeral home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, October 29, 2011

Elwood Donathan, 81, Peru, died at 12:27 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 27, 2011 at Marshfield, Wis. Arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home 105 W. Third St., Peru.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, October 29, 2011

Marilee Conner Wildman, 87, Mexico, died Oct. 28, 2011. Funeral services at 2 p.m. Monday, Oct. 31, 2011 at McClain Funeral Home, Denver. Visitation is one hour prior to service. Burial in Greenlawn Cemetery.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, October 31, 2011

Elwood Donathan, 81, Peru, died Oct. 27, 2011 at 12:27 p.m. at St. Joseph's Hospital in Marshfield, Wis. He was born Oct. 27, 1930, in Menifree County, Kentucky to Green and Sarah Ann (Walton) Donathan. He married Deloris Darrell Oct. 16, 1954 at the First Church of the Nazarene. She survives. He was retired from the GM Fisher Body Plant in Marion. He enjoyed grouse hunting and vacationing in Wisconsin. He was an avid NASCAR fan and was devoted to his church. He especially loved his grandchildren and attending all their events. In addition to his wife, Elwood was survived by a daughter, Patty Morton of Peru; sons Joey (Christy) Donathan of Peru and Mark (Nikki) Donathan of North Manchester; five grandchildren, Lisa (Jason) Donathan Lowe of Peru, Josh Donathan of Decatur, Kayla Donathan of Peru and Luke and Alexa Donathan of North Manchester; and a sister, Jewel (David) Geyer of Peru. He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Ledford; and seven sisters, Grace, Delfie, Eva, Irene, Sarah, Wanda and Thelma. The funeral will take place Wednesday, Nov. 2 at 11 a.m. at Flowers-Leedy Funeral home with Pastor Tony Winter officiating with burial to take place at Mt. Hope Cemetery in Peru. Friends may call from 3-7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 1, at the funeral home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, October 31, 2011

Larry D. Arrick, 70, Converse, died 5:11 a.m. Oct. 28, 2011 at his residence surrounded by his family. Larry was born on Aug. 2, 1941 in Peru, to the late James E. and Claudeane (Grant) Arrick. Mr. Arrick was a graduate of Converse High School and the University of North Carolina at Ashville. Mr. Arrick retired from Chrysler in Kokomo in 2008. He was a millwright and a supervisor of skilled trades at the time of his retirement. He was a former millwright of local 1029. He was a member of the Converse Masonic Lodge, former member of Converse Volunteer Fire Department, Ambulance and a deputy marshal. He also had worked for the Town of Converse. He was a member of the Converse United Methodist Church. He was an avid fan of NASCAR, fishing and all sports. He loved spending time with his family. He is survived by his wife, Nancy; daughter April (Tim) DeHaan, Zionsville; son Michael (Holly) Arrick, Kokomo; Brother Jerry (Connie) Arrick, Converse; sister Jeannie (Mike) Sample, Converse; eight grandchildren Tia, Zoey, Sierra, Kaiden, Michael, Izaballa, T. J. and Tori; and one great-grandson, William. Services will be 10 a.m. Nov. 2 in Converse United Methodist Church, 109 E. Wabash St., Converse, with Pastor Don Brennehan officiating. Visitation will be 2-4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. Nov. 1 at the Converse United Methodist Church, Converse. Larry requested casual attire to be worn. Burial will be in Converse Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials are to be made to the Converse United Methodist Church or St. Jude Children's Hospital. Arrangements were handled by Owen-Weilert-Duncan Funeral Home, Larrison-Martin Chapel, 308 E. Marion St., Converse. Online condolences: may be made at www.owenweilertduncan.com

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, October 31, 2011

Richard W. Jackel, 74, Galveston, went home to be with the Lord at 3:25 pm Saturday, Oct. 29, 2011 at his home in Galveston. He was born Dec. 4, 1936 in Wilmington, Del., the son of Henry E. and Ruth (Ward) Jackel. He married Betty Garrigus in 1954 in Greencastle. She was the mother of his children and preceded him in death in 2001. He later married Toni A. Simpson in July of 2009, and she survives. He earned his B.S. degree from Indiana State College in 1962 and his masters degree from Indiana University in 1972. He taught industrial technology, physical education and drivers education for 32 years in the Peru Community School System in Peru. He was active in church activities, served as usher and on the Board of

Trustees for the First Baptist Church of Galveston. He was a private pilot and enjoyed flying, traveling, camping, fishing and boating. Dick served in the U.S. Army, 327th Parachute Regiment of the 101st Airborne Division. Survivors include his wife: Toni Jackel, Galveston; daughter: Elizabeth (Libby) and Brad Robertson, Sharpsville; son: David (Theresa) Jackel, Pittsburg, Pa.; daughter: Patricia (Tricia) and Mark Strain, Terre Haute; seven grandchildren: Nathan (Nate) and Hailey Simpson, Goodlettsville, Tenn.; Gregory (Greg) and Sybil Simpson, Portland, Tenn.; Michelle (Shelly) and Jordan Reynolds, Kokomo; Matthew Jackel and fiancée Jamie Wolf, Columbus, Ohio; Andrew Jackel, Falls Church, Va.; Christopher and Jana Strain, W. Terre Haute; Lauren and Mike Shaw, Terre Haute; step-grandchildren: Amanda Robertson, Kokomo; Jake Robertson, Kokomo; Cassandra (Cassie) Friend, Lafayette; Nickolas (Nick) Friend, Lafayette; great-grandchildren: Kylie Simpson, Jayden Reynolds, Avery Simpson of Sharpsville; Ashtyn and Avah Shaw, Terre Haute; and Chase Strain, W. Terre Haute; step-great-grandchildren: Shelby and Austin McCullough, Portland, Tenn.; brother Hank and wife Marty Jackel, Kennewick, Wash.; and a host of nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and his first wife Betty. Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Wednesday at First Baptist Church in Galveston, 207 S. Sycamore St., with Rev. Joel Surface and Rev. Warren K. Purcell officiating. Burial will be in Ever Rest Memorial Park Cemetery in Logansport. Calling hours are 4-8 p.m. Tuesday at First Baptist Church. Memorials may be made to American Cancer Society. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.murrayweaverfuneralhome.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, October 31, 2011

Shelley Kay Teel, 47, rural Peru, passed away at 9:35 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 28, 2011 at her residence. Born April 16, 1964 in Peru, she was the daughter of Richard Lee and Karen Ann Correll Smith. On May 19, 1990 in Flora, at the First Christian Church, she was married to Randy Ralph Teel. She had worked at American Stationary in Peru. She enjoyed collecting stamps, camping, cross stitching, and riding Harley Davidson motorcycles. Always enjoying an adventure, Shelley has been sky-diving and just recently went on a hot air balloon ride. Survivors include her husband, Randy, Peru; mother, Karen Cadwallader, Mexico; her children, Justin Aaron Newlin and wife Amber, Comanche, Okla.; and Christina Marie Caston and husband Ralph, Elkhart; and Jason Teel, Flora; sisters Penny Hall and husband Tracy, Peru; and Patricia Coffman and husband Chris, Macy; and Kristi Archbold and husband Tom, Fort Wayne; brother, Wayne Smith and wife Joni, Peru; three grandchildren, J.J. Newlin, Amaya Caston, and Jayla Teel; mother-in-law, Berdena Teel, Flora; sister-in-law, Vicki Horsley and husband Jack, Lebanon; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins. She was preceded in death by her father, Richard Smith, stepfather, Charles Cadwallader, and father-in-law, Arnold Teel, and her grandparents. Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 2 at Baker-Abbott Funeral Home in Flora. Burial will follow in Maple Lawn Cemetery, Flora. Visitation will be from 2-8 p.m. Nov. 1 at McClain Funeral Home, Denver and from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday at Baker-Abbott Funeral Home in Flora. Memorial contributions may be made to Relay for Life. The online guestbook can be signed at www.mcclainfh.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, November 1, 2011

David Allen Weller, 55, of rural Denver, Ind. died at 3:45 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 27, 2011 at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne. He was born Sept. 3, 1956 in Wabash to Raymond E. and Barbara Jean (Fouts) Weller. He was a 1974 graduate of Northfield High School, and was a retired construction worker. He was a member of the Moose Lodge in Rochester, Indiana. David enjoyed woodworking, fishing, farming, working on trucks, and being on the tractor mowing. David is survived by two sons, Aaron Weller of Peru, and Brandon Weller of Denver; three granddaughters, Richelle Weller and Brooklyn Weller both of Peru, and Eva Weller of Rochester; and his sister, Rae Jean (Lewis) Wallace of Akron, Ind. He was preceded in death by his parents. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, November 2, 2011 at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 335 S. Chippewa Road, Roann with the Reverend Brad Eckerley officiating. Burial will follow in Roann Community Cemetery. Preferred memorial is to David's sons, Aaron and Brandon Weller. The memorial guest book for David may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, November 1, 2011

Geraldine E. Bishop, 99, Peru, died at 9:30 a.m. Monday Oct. 31, 2011 in Millers Merry Manor, Peru. Arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, November 1, 2011

Merideth A. Richardson, 76, Kokomo, formerly of Mexico, died at 2:30 a.m. Monday, Oct. 31, 2011 at North Woods Village, Kokomo. Arrangements are pending from Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, November 2, 2011

Doris E. Trent, 84, of Flint, Mich., died at 1:35 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 30, 2011 at her residence. She was born on July 4, 1927 in Bloomington, Ind. the daughter of Charles and Stella Penrod Durnal. She married Raymond E. Trent in Indianapolis, Ind. on June 4, 1955 and he survives. Doris was a 1945 graduate of Monticello High School and a 1948 graduate of the Methodist Hospital School of Nursing. She was employed as a registered nurse at the VA Hospital in Indianapolis. A woman of great faith and integrity, Doris was active in the ProLife Movement on the local, state and national level. She valued most her domestic life with her family and was a devoted wife and mother. Surviving in addition to her husband of 56 years Ray, is a

son Blake Trent of Flint, Mich. and a brother Reed A Durnal of Monticello, Ind. She was preceded in death by her parents and a son Reed E. Trent. A service celebrating the life of Doris E. Trent will be held at 3 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 3, 2011 at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main St., Peru, with the Rev. Francis I. Kilcline III officiating. Burial will be in Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru. Family and friends will gather at the funeral home from 1 to 3 p.m. on Thursday. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Saint Joseph Institute for the Deaf, 9192 Waldemar Road, Indianapolis, Ind. 46268. Condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, November 2, 2011

Gareldine E. Bishop, 99, Peru, died at 9:30 a.m. Monday Oct. 31, 2011 in Millers Merry Manor, Peru. Arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, November 2, 2011

Gary R. Rothenberger, 40, Rochester, died Friday Oct. 28, 2011. A celebration of life will be at 5 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 2, 2011 at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. www.goodfamilyfh.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, November 2, 2011

Kyarah Bell Moore, nine months, of Mexico, passed away Saturday, Oct. 29, 2011 in Winamac. Survivors include a brother, Preston Moore, brother Bryson Moore, sister Kenzee Moore and her guardians, Essie and Mark Shepherd of Mexico. She was preceded in death by a sister, Emilee Moore. Funeral service will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 2, 2011 at Braman and Son Memorial Chapel, 108 S. Main St., Knox St., Knox, Ind. with Pastor Dennis Bope officiating. Visitation will be 10 a.m. until time of service Wednesday. Memorials may be made to the funeral home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, November 2, 2011

Merideth A. Richardson, 76, Kokomo, formerly of Mexico, died at 2:30 a.m. Monday, Oct. 31, 2011 at North Woods Village, Kokomo. She was born in Peru on Sept. 1, 1935 to Harrold and Margaret (Blue) Norris. She married Harold J. Richardson Aug. 29, 1954, and he preceded her in death June 15, 2010. Meredith was a former Miami County Drainage Building secretary at three different times when her father, Harrold Norris, was the Miami County Surveyor. She was a 1953 graduate of Deedsville High School and also attended Manchester College for a year. She and her husband had a lawn business in Fort Myers, Fla. for 10 years. Meredith is survived by a daughter, Roxanne Lawson and husband William, Kokomo; sons, William J. Richardson and wife Debra Sue, Lakeland, Fla., and Robert E. Richardson, Fort Myers, Fla.; four grandkids, Stacie Donelson, Brandon Bashore and wife Leslie, Leigh Richardson and wife Lauren, and Austin Richardson; four great-grandkids, Conner Donelson, Carter Bowlin, Mackenzie and Isabella Bashore; brothers Harrold Norris Jr. and wife Marcia, Mexico, and Dennis Norris and wife Nancy, Twelve Mile; and a sister, Ava Jones and husband Danny, Athens, Tenn. She was preceded in death by her husband, parents, stillborn brother David Allen Norris and an infant brother Billy Joe Norris. A funeral service will be held at 3 p.m. Friday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., with Pastors Jay McKinley and Mark Lowe officiating. Burial will follow in Greenlawn Cemetery, Mexico. Friends may call at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home on Friday from noon until the time of service. After a long illness, the family requests that memorial contributions be made to the Parkinson's Foundation.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, November 3, 2011- Friday, November 4, 2011

Evelyn "Gareldin" Bishop, 99, Peru, died away Oct. 31, 2011. Service: Saturday 11 a.m. Calling: 9 a.m. at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru. Love offerings to The Gareldine Bishop Family.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, November 4, 2011

Donald D. Koons, 72, Rochester, died at 10:05 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 2, 2011. Military rites will be conducted 2 p.m. Monday at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation is one hour prior to the service.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, November 4, 2011

On Wednesday, Nov. 2, 2011 heaven welcomed **Roselyn L. Einselen** through its gates. Roselyn passed away peacefully in her home with family and loved ones close. She was born Nov. 21, 1918, one of four children, to the late George LeMaster and Evelyn Childers LeMaster. Roselyn was the beloved wife of the late Loren R. Einselen for over 35 years. Roselyn left behind three children — Eldon Einselen of Goshen, Connie Vermilion of Peru, and Paul Einselen of Tampa; eight grandchildren — Terry (Teri) Vermilion, Angela (Greg) Locklear, Ryan (Cyndi) Vermilion, Kate Einselen, Ann Einselen, Paul David Einselen, Nicholas Einselen, and Amanda Einselen; and eight great-grandchildren. She was a member of Loree Brethren Church and her dedication in life was her Lord and Savior. She was an adored mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, and a wonderful friend to many. Roselyn was an avid gardener and loved flowers of any kind. She touched the lives of many people with her strong faith, kind heart and quiet wit. Services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, Nov. 7, 2011 at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home with Pastor Tony Winter officiating. The family will accept visitors 2-5 p.m. Sunday evening at the funeral home. Burial will be in New Hope Cemetery, Miami County. Arrangements entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third Street, Peru.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, November 5, 2011

Michael A. Mabrey, age 62, Lewisburg, passed away at 1 p.m. Monday, Oct. 31, 2011 at his residence. Born Oct. 17, 1949 in Kokomo, he was the son of Paul Mabrey and Veronica Parsons. Michael had been employed as a locomotive engineer by Conrail and Norfolk Southern Railroads. A 1967 graduate of Kokomo High School, he enjoyed motorcycles, fishing automobiles and mushroom hunting. Michael is survived by daughters, Paula Mabrey (companion Bob Hedrick), Royal Center and Porshae Plake, Walton; son, Joey (Sharon) Mabrey, Las Vegas; sisters, Suzy Williams, Peru, and Liz (Kevin) Roseman, Zionsville; brothers, Herb Parsons III, Peru, Tavis Mabrey and Jason Mabrey, both of Kokomo. Eight grandchildren also survive, Chelsea Mabrey, Hunter Hedrick, Travis Hedrick, Nick Plake, Gage Plake, Josea Welch, Chance Mabrey and Jacob Mabrey; Niece and nephews, Jessica Judd, Dalton Judd, Braden Williams and Stefan Williams; step-father Herb Parsons Jr., Peru, and good friends, Bruce Lipp and Chris Underwood. The family will receive friends from 4 to 7 p.m. today at Kroeger Funeral Home. There will be no funeral service. Burial will be private. Condolences may be left online at www.kroegerfuneralhome.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, November 7, 2011

Alice Devine Walker, 89, Peru, died at 11:03 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 3, 2011 at Caring Hands. Funeral arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, November 7, 2011- Tuesday, November 8, 2011

James B. "Jim" Hughes, 59, of Peru, was called to be with the Lord Saturday morning, Nov. 5, 2011 at his home. Jim graduated from Peru High in 1970. He drove for UPS for more than 20 years and retired from McGavic's John Deere. He was one of seven children born June 22, 1952 in Peru to the late Kimble W. and Nellie K. Hughes. He married his high school sweetheart, Kathy D. Hughes (Garner), on June 6, 1971 and she survives. He will forever be remembered by his family Bob and Rose Hughes, John and Sue Hughes, Terry and Joyce Hughes, Judy and Dale Correll, Marilyn and Gene Bishop, and Kim and Greg Fox, his beloved children, Trevor and Annie Hughes, Shanna Hughes and Paul Emmons, and Evan Hughes, treasured grandchildren, RJ Beam, Jenna and Emma Hughes, along with countless other friends and family whom were blessed to know him. Jim loved to play the guitar, teach Sunday school class, his train set and John Deere tractors. He was a member of the Peru Church of the Brethren. Jim touched the lives of many people with his smile and generosity, and maintained his sense of humor to the very end. Friends and family are invited to attend a memorial service at the Peru Church of the Brethren, 134 E. Fifth St. on Thursday, Nov. 10, 2011 at 10 a.m. with Pastor Phil Cruea officiating. Friends may call from 2 to 7 p.m. at the church on Wednesday. Memorials to: The Peru Church of the Brethren and/or American Cancer Society through the funeral home. Arrangements entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, November 8, 2011 - Wednesday, November 9, 2011

Alice Devine Walker joined her departed family and friends on Nov. 3, 2011. She was born June 7, 1922 to Luke and Eva Louise (Landgrave) Devine, both of Peru. Alice married George Walker Sr. on Dec. 25, 1952. Together they raised seven children. Eva Louise (Dee Dee), deceased, John Walker and Companion Kae York, Peru; George Walker and wife Angela, California, Alan Walker and companion Julie Ressett, Peru, Daniel Walker, Peru, Charlie Walker and wife Becky, Indianapolis, Mary Ulery and Husband Jeff, Illinois. She has 16 grandchildren; Lindsay Walker, California, Clayton Donovan, Myra and Ella Walker, California, Whitney Walker, Kokomo, Lauren Walker, Greenwood, Caroline Walker, Chicago, Luke Joseph Walker, Bloomington, Shae Walker, Peru, Allison and Christian Walker, Indianapolis, Camille, Gage, Bay and Bliss Ulery, Illinois. She was expecting her first great grandchild in April of 2012. She graduated from Peru High School and operated Devines Grocery on South Broadway with her mother. She later married George Walker Sr. and was a homemaker until starting Walker Real Estate, which she operated over 50 years. She was a lifelong resident of Peru and a member of St. Charles Catholic Church. She was actively involved with organizations like the Daughters of Isabella, St. Charles Altar and Rosary Society. She believed in the right to life and fought strongly for it. She was a past president of the Women's Democratic Party and a member of the Miami County Realtors Association as well as a past president of the Miami County Economic Development Corp. She helped many people who struggled in life by providing food and housing to those in need. She supported many Catholic charities including the Monastery of the Poor Clares located in Kokomo. She loved God and raised her family accordingly. She enjoyed travel as well as reading stories to children at St. Charles School. Her life in this community impacted all who truly knew her. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband George, daughter Eva Louise (Dee Dee) and two brothers, Bill and John Devine. Funeral services will be held on Thursday, Nov. 10, 2011 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Charles Catholic Church. Friends may call from 3 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday Nov. 9 at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home. A prayer service will begin at 6:30 p.m. that evening. Officiating will be Father Francis Kilcline and Father Paul Cochran. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Charles Catholic Church.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, November 8, 2011

A celebration of life for **Kenneth D. Runkle** will be held at the Peru Church of the Brethren, corner of Fifth and Clay, Peru, Saturday, Nov. 12, 2011 at 2 p.m. Military honors following service.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, November 8, 2011

Mary Alice Wagoner, 98, formerly of Rochester, died 10:10 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 5, 2011. Service: 2 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 9, 2011 at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Visitation: 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, November 8, 2011

Paul William Hays, 61, of Wabash, Ind., died at 3:15 a.m. Monday, Nov. 7, 2011 at Miller's Merry Manor East in Wabash. He was born Aug. 9, 1950 in Wabash to Oren E. and Gertrude (Whiteman) Hays. Paul was a 1968 Wabash High School graduate and attended Greer Institute in Chicago studying Auto Body Mechanics. He married Jane Ostendorf in Wabash on Aug. 12, 1978. He worked in the body shop at Dorais Chevrolet 12 years and was a machinist at Gen Corp in Wabash for 12 years, retiring in 2007. He was a U.S. Army veteran serving in Vietnam and was awarded four Meritorious Service commendations and the Bronze Star. He was a life member of the VFW Post 2067 in Peru, a member of the Wabash American Legion Post 15, Wabash Moose, and the Rebel Rousers Car Club. Paul's passion was cars. He was an avid NASCAR fan, enjoyed slot car racing, and going to auto shows. He is survived by his wife, Jane Hays of Wabash; two brothers, Tom (Susie) Hays of St. Louis, Mo., and Dr. Richard (Betty) Hays of Muncie, Ind.; and his sister, Ellen West of Hometown, Ind. Funeral services will be held at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 1241 Manchester Avenue, Wabash, on Friday, Nov. 11, 2011 at 2 p.m. with Fr. Sextus Don officiating. Burial will be in Falls Cemetery, Wabash. Friends may call 4-8 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 10 at the funeral home. Preferred memorial is H.O.P.E. Foundation at Wabash County Hospital. The memorial guest book for Paul may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, November 8, 2011

Ruth E. Morris, 96, Fort Myers, Fla. died at 6:40 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 5, 2011 at Woodbridge Health Campus, Logansport, Ind. She was born Dec. 14, 1914 in Cass County, North Dakota, to Albert and Harriet (Marsh) Piper. She married John M. Morris on Nov. 8, 1943 in Fort Collins, Colo. who preceded her in death on Oct. 7, 1994. Ruth worked as a LPN for Dukes Memorial Hospital in Peru and Lee Memorial Hospital in Fort Myers, Fla. She was a U.S. Army veteran, serving in WWII. She was also a member of the First Christian Church in Peru and Fort Myers Christian Church. Ruth is survived by her sons, Robert Morris and wife Pamela, Bunker Hill, Ind. and Ron Morris and wife Connie, Logansport, Ind.; a daughter, Paulette Idol, Fort Myers, Fla.; six grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by a brother, Albert Piper; a sister, Verna Schatzke; a half-brother, Robert Piper; and a half-sister Marie Glasow. A funeral service will be held at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 9, 2011 at Gundrum Funeral Home, with Pastor George McCarty officiating. Visitation will be from 5 p.m. until the time of services Wednesday. Burial will be in Fort Myers Memorial Gardens, Fort Myers, Fla. Memorials may be made to the Guardian Angel Hospice, 513 W. Lincoln Road, Kokomo, Ind. 46902 or the Alzheimer's Association. You may sign the guest book and send online condolences at www.gundrumfuneralhome.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, November 8, 2011

Sherri Hammel, 47, Rochester, died at her residence Monday, Nov. 7, 2011 at 11:50 a.m. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, November 9, 2011

Norma Braden, 73, Rochester, formerly Peru, died 10 p.m. Monday, Nov. 7, 2011. A celebration of life will be 10 a.m. Nov. 11 in the Good Family Funeral Home. Visitation: one hour prior to service.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, November 9, 2011

Patricia A. Johnson, 70, Macy, died 6:10 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 5, 2011. Services will be at a later date. Arrangements are with Good Family Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, November 9, 2011

Warren Otis Angle, 68, formerly of Peru, died peacefully in Philadelphia, Pa. on Sept. 9, 2011, after a long battle with cancer. He is survived by daughter Dana Kaplan-Angle, sister Ruth, brother Phil, brother-in-law Donn Kesler, former wife Janet Kaplan, and partner Nancy Wright. Warren was a successful artist/sculptor who received his B.S. in art education from Manchester College and his M.F.A. in ceramics and sculpture from Ohio State University. After teaching briefly at Wawasee High School and Plymouth State College in New Hampshire, he joined the staff at Fleisher Art Memorial in South Philadelphia, one of the nation's first community-based art centers. He retired as curator from there in 2010. Warren exhibited his work widely on the East Coast, both solo and group exhibitions, and won several awards. He also served as an arts advisor in the Philadelphia community. He was born in Peru, and his farm background informed his art, as he especially examined the delicate balance between man and nature. Warren was a sophisticated and clever artist and curator who provided inspiration to students, faculty, and other artists. But above all, he was a generous, caring, creative and respected individual who left an indelible mark on the arts community in Philadelphia. A Celebration of Warren's life was held at Bartram Gardens on Oct. 29. Warren's daughter would especially appreciate any memories of Warren; they may be sent to her at 140 Monroe St., Apt. 4, Brooklyn, N.Y. 11216.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, November 10, 2011

Lillian F. (Stigall) Gaus, 94, beloved wife of the late John J. Gaus for 64 years has passed away. She was the loving mother of Joanne Gaus, Johnella (Glen) Venske, and the late Susan Dunne. She was the cherished grandmother of Jennifer Dunne, Jeff (Shyreen) Dunne, Terri (Daniel) McCain, David (Georgia) Dunne, Laura (Mac) Thatcher, Michael (Julie) Venske, and great-grandmother of 12. Lillian was a dear aunt to many, and a lifelong Girl Scout. Services will be Thursday, 9:15 a.m. from the funeral home to St. Cajetan Church for mass at 10 a.m. Interment will be at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, November 10, 2011

WM. Roscoe Mofield, 60, Peru, died at 5:53 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 8, 2011 at Lutheran Hospital, Ft. Wayne. He was born Feb. 26, 1951 in Bad Wildungen, Germany to William and Gertrud Mofield, both preceding him in death. He married Connie (East) Mofield, Sept. 20, 1975 and she survives. He was a 1969 graduate of Peru High School and retired from Wabash Alloys in 2009. He is survived by his mother and father-in-law Janet and Fred Powell, Peru; and his father and mother-in-law Bud and Linda East, of Florida; several nieces and nephews, great nieces and great nephews, as well as several aunts and uncles. Also surviving are brothers Harold Mofield, Peru, Bill Mofield and wife Lori, Peru, Charlie and wife Glenda, Peru and Ronnie Mofield, also of Peru; sisters Loretta Westfall and husband Roger, Peru; sister-in-law Linda Robinson and husband Keith, Ft. Wayne, and sister-in-law Kathy Shank also of Peru. A memorial service will be 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 12, 2011 at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru with Pastor George Dinkel officiating. Burial will be at Mt. Hope Cemetery, Peru. Friends may call from 2-7 p.m. Friday, at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home. Memorial contributions may be made to the favorite charity of your choice.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, November 14, 2011

Donnabelle Margaret Thomas, 82, Twelve Mile, passed away Sunday, Nov. 13, 2011 at her residence. Arrangements are pending at McClain Funeral Home, Denver.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, November 14, 2011

Dorothy Louise Swoverland, 94, passed away on Friday, Nov. 11, at Life Care Center in Rochester. Born March 13, 1917 near Macy, she was the daughter of the late David Edgar and Hazel Marie Hopper Chapin. On June 10, 1950 she was married to Robert Gail Swoverland, and he preceded her in death on Jan. 19, 1989. Dorothy was a member of the Deedsville United Methodist Church and she retired in 1982 from Olin Corporation. She leaves behind her nieces and nephews, Joe Swoverland, Judy Ashbaugh, Jeri Ann Johnson, Vickie Johnson, Edward Dillman, Robert Dillman, D. Kay Riggs, Barbara Stoekert and Larry Dillman, along with all of their families. She was preceded in death by one brother, Clayton Chapin and one nephew, Jack Swoverland. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 15, at Deedsville United Methodist Church, with Pastor Bill Babb officiating. Burial will follow in Greenlawn Cemetery, Mexico. Visitation will be from 12 — 2 p.m. on Tuesday at the church. Memorial contributions may be made to Deedsville United Methodist Church.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, November 14, 2011

Edna E. Root Wolf, 88, of 7501 E 625 N, Twelve Mile, died Thursday, Nov. 10, 2011 at 10:15 p.m. at Duke's Memorial Hospital in Peru. She had been in failing health the past two weeks and a resident at the hospital since Monday. She was born April 28, 1923, Elk City, Okla., to the late Thomas and Stella Caylor Root. Her marriage was to L.D. Wolf in Peru on July 18, 1942, and he preceded her in death on April 8, 2007. She attended school in California. She was a homemaker and a member of the Mexico Old German Baptist Brethren Church. She enjoyed crossword puzzles, knitting and dearly loved all of her family and grandchildren. She was survived by daughters, Judy (Charles) Whitaker of Delphi and Janice (Marlin) Kuns of Twelve Mile; sons Lynn (Kay) Wolf of Wanewoc, Wis. and Neil Wolf of Logansport; sister Opal Brown of Pleasant Hill, Ohio; 17 grandchildren, 77 great-grandchildren and 7 great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by an infant son, Mark Eldon; 11 brothers and sisters, one granddaughter and seven great-grandchildren. The funeral will take place at the Mexico Old German Baptist Brethren Church at 10 a.m., with the Home Brethren officiating. Burial will be at Mexico Church Cemetery. Abbott Funeral Home-Delphi was in charge of the arrangements. Online condolences may be sent to abbottfuneralhome@frontier.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, November 14, 2011

Elizabeth B. McBride, 95, of Roann, died at 11:40 a.m. Friday, Nov. 11, 2011 at Miller's Merry Manor East in Wabash. She was born May 25, 1916 in Grant County to Britton and Effie J. (McCormick) Barnes. Beth was a 1934 graduate of Union Township High School in Huntington County. She married Irald Everett McBride in Huntington County on Jan. 24, 1937; he died Feb. 17, 2001. She retired in 1979 from the United Telephone Company after 20 years. Beth was a member of the Roann Christian Church. She and her husband wintered in Edinburg, Texas for 25 years, where they were active in the tourist club and the Edinburg Christian Church. She is survived by seven children; Patrick McBride of Marion, Samuel (Brenda) McBride of Harlan, Daniel (Patsy) McBride of Cumming, Ga., Holly (Berne) Jones of Kooskia, Idaho, Bonnie Castle of Roanoke, Timothy (Linda) McBride of Roann and Ted (Karissa) McBride of Ardmore, Okla.; brother Alva Barnes of McAllen, Texas; 12 grandchildren, Angela McBride of Maine, Anne Jones of Wisconsin, Jennifer Thompson of Wyoming, Trina Hickert of Indiana, Jon McBride of Georgia, Carrie Miller of Indiana, Betsy McBride of Georgia, Philip McBride of Indiana, Ernest

Castle of Indiana, Jessika McBride of Nebraska and Jeff McBride of Ohio; and seven great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by three brothers, two sisters and one granddaughter, Sandra McBride. Funeral services will be held at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 335 S. Chippewa Rd., Roann, on Tuesday, Nov. 15 at 10:30 a.m. Burial will be in Roann Community Cemetery. Friends may call from 4 — 8 p.m. Monday at the funeral home. Preferred memorial is Roann Christian Church or the Family Hospice and Palliative Care, Marion. The memorial guest book for Beth may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, November 14, 2011

Shirley Ann Morgan-McKinley, 73, of Logansport, passed away at 2:05 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 10, 2011 at Methodist Hospital in Indianapolis. Born on March 8, 1938 in White County, she was the daughter of the late Homer and Minnie (Reames) Austin. Shirley retired from the Logansport State Hospital and she enjoyed playing bingo, mushroom hunting and gardening. She also loved traveling to Las Vegas with her late husband Bob and spending time with her family. Survivors include her children, Victoria Reeser and her husband Ronald and Gay D. Courtney, all of Logansport; brother Charles Austin of Logansport; sister Linda Jackson of Terre Haute; grandchildren Adam Reeser and wife Erica, Salem Reeser, Moriah Hood and husband Devon, Velesca Courtney, Michael Wickersham and Heather Willis; and great-grandchildren Oakley Reeser, Lane Hood, Luke Hood, Kennedy Courtney, Caleb Powell, Cameral Powell, Shyanna Wickersham, Kylie Fife, Savanah Willis, Austin Willis and Morgan Willis. She is also survived by numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband H. R. McKinley; sons Bryon Keith Wickersham, Jr. and Brian Kevin Wickersham; and sisters Rosie Dilling and Norma McKinley. Services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 15, at Marocco-Rans Funeral Chapel. Visitation will be from 6 — 8 p.m. Monday, Nov. 14 at the funeral home. Online condolences and tributes may be made to the family at www.maroccfc.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, November 15, 2011

Born March 6, 1920, died Oct. 5, 2011 **Betty Helen Jordan**, 91, passed away in San Diego, Calif. surrounded by family. Born in 1920 and raised in Chicago's Hyde Park, she moved to Peru with her husband, Clifford Darryl Jordan. She assisted him in his optometric practice and later co-founded Peru's first nursery school. She drove many miles to complete her bachelor's degree, and later her master's degree in education. Betty taught social studies at the Peru Junior High School for 30 years and inspired many students to write letters of gratitude to her for her high standards and passion for global education. Betty began to travel and eventually visited 46 countries, both for her own enjoyment and for augmentation to her curricula. In 1970 she became a Fulbright Scholar to India. She also became a U.S. manufacturer's representative for a Korean brassware company. After the death of her husband, Betty moved to Warner Robins, Ga., where she reconnected with former Hoosiers and expanded her personal fulfillment through the practice of Reiki and Tai Chi. She continued to travel, often visiting her son in East Africa, and her grandchildren wherever they scattered. Betty had an unquenchable desire for adventure, but she was always happy to return to her home where she golfed, danced, wrote, nurtured animals, read and kept track of her family's lives. Betty Jordan leaves her brother Bryan Robinson, of Chicago, and his children Jeff, Maryann, and Marylou; her son Darryl, of San Diego, his wife Leslie and their children, Jake, Irma and Helen Jordan; her daughter, Sandra Hegstad of Boston and her children, Liv Saxe and Nils Hegstad, and two great-grandchildren, Barrett and Ian Saxe. In lieu of flowers, donations in Betty's name may be made to any animal shelter.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, November 15, 2011

Donnabelle M. Thomas, 82, of Twelve Mile passed away Sunday morning, Nov. 13, 2011 at her residence. Born May 24, 1929 in Pulaski County, she was the daughter of Robert and Addie Kistler Zeider. She married Raymond Lewis Thomas on Dec. 4, 1947, and he preceded her in death Feb. 20, 2001. Donnabelle was the mother of five: Steven C. (Karen) Thomas, West Palm Beach, Fla.; Janet Kay (Dutch) Zweedyk, Hardin, Ky.; Raye Anne (Harold) Hibbard, Twelve Mile; James R. (Patti) Thomas, Twelve Mile; and the late Richard Lewis Thomas, who passed away in 1979. She is also survived by several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by one sister, Marie Gerlach; and five brothers, Ralph, Earl, Richard, George W. and Thomas Zeider. The family will gather at McClain Funeral Home on Thursday, Nov. 17, 2011 at noon, where the funeral procession will leave at 1 p.m. for Kistler Cemetery, Royal Center. Public graveside services will be conducted by the Reverend Tom Robbins. Friends wishing to attend the graveside services are welcome to join in the procession at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to the National Kidney Foundation.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, November 15, 2011

Martin Eugene Rose, 67, Bunker Hill, passed away at 11:50 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 10, 2011 at his residence. He was born in Blytheville, Arkansas November 15, 1943, to Martin Franklin and Marjorie Catherine (Carner) Rose, both deceased. In November 1971, he married Fluffy (McBay) Rose. Survivors include his four children: Brian (Michele) Rose, Gina (Randy) Troyer, Bruce Rose, and Tonya (Scott) Allen, all of Bunker Hill. He is also survived by a brother, Eddie (Janet) Rose of Peru, a sister Janie (Chris) Clark, Peru, and several nieces and nephews. He was the grandfather of 12, and great-grandfather of seven. Martin was preceded in death by his parents, a sister, Mavis Rasmussen and her husband Ben. A memorial service will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, November 15, 2011 at the Free Will Baptist Church, Bunker Hill, with Pastor Bill Sheets officiating.

Friends may visit with the family 6-7 p.m. Tuesday at the church. Memorials may be made to Love Offerings to the Martin Rose family, through the funeral home. Arrangements are entrusted to the Allen Funeral Home, Bunker Hill.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, November 15, 2011

Tina Rae Harter Black, July 29, 1949-Nov. 9, 2011.

Tina had five beautiful boys, one of whom preceded her in death. Her sons are Gailon, Allen, Luke (who preceded her), Donald, and Jason who were the light of her life and she was so very proud of each of them. She delighted in watching her sons grow up, and being with her grandchildren. Tina was selfless when it came to others. She was a loving mother and grandmother, always putting others before herself. She loved to bake for others and enjoyed crossword puzzles, playing bingo, and gardening. Tina had two grandsons and three granddaughters: Jared Howard, Donald Garling II, Jasmen, and Autumn Garling. One granddaughter preceded her in death. She is also survived by four sisters, Deanna Anderson, Sandi Kidwell, Debbie Black and Bonnie Douglas; and by her best friend, Robert Wolfe. She will be sadly missed by all her sisters and her best friend. "She will be very, very sadly missed by all of us!" Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 16, 2011 at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, with Pastor Robert Stuck officiating. Friends may call beginning at 11 a.m. Wednesday, until time of service. Burial will be at the Reyburn Cemetery. Memorials may be made in the form of Love Offerings to the Tina Black family through the funeral home. Arrangements entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, November 16, 2011

Donna Belle Grossman 84, Rochester died 10:45 a.m., Tuesday, Nov. 15, 2011 at Memorial Hospital, South Bend, Ind. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home Rochester, Ind.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, November 16, 2011

Sharon Lou Burke, 70, of Fort Wayne, Indiana went to her Lord on Nov. 13, 2011. She passed at Coventry Meadows nursing home. Sharon worked many years at Wayne Hardware in Fort Wayne and for LaGrange County Highway dept. She held the office of LaGrange County Treasurer, and retired from the LaGrange County Sheriff's department. She is survived by her sister Jean Ann Cronkhite of Fort Wayne, and was preceded in death by her parents Francis "Mike" and Ruby Burke. Services will be held on Thursday, Nov. 17, 2011 at 11 a.m. at St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church with Father Francis I. Kilcline III. There will be no visitation. Arrangement entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, memorials in Sharon's name may be sent to: Heartland Hospice or the Fort Wayne Rescue Mission.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, November 18, 2011

Donna Belle Grossman, 84, Rochester, died 10:35 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 15, 2011. Service: 10 a.m. Monday, Nov. 21, 2011 at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St. Rochester.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, November 19, 2011

Lona Turner, of Peru, passed away at her residence at 9:12 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 17, 2011. She was born July 14, 1942 in Peru, to Donald and Marjorie (Correll) Johnson, deceased. On Sept. 22, 1960 she married Weldon L. Turner, and he preceded her in death. Lona was employed with American Stationery. Her survivors include daughter Kimberly (Jeff) Deniston, Kokomo; a son, David Turner of Peru; daughter Kristi (Craig) Brown, Peru; son John (Gail) Turner of Wabash; and grandchildren Haylee Deniston, Sara Bowen, Braxton Deniston, Mark Thompson, Jr., Cody Turner, Zach Thompson, and Cami Brown. She is also survived by her sister, Risa Nance, Peru. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, and a grandchild, Brittany Turner. Funeral services will be at 3 p.m. Monday, Nov. 21, 2011 at the Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home with Pastor Evan Strong officiating. Burial will follow at Mt. Hope Cemetery, Peru. Friends may call from 1 p.m. until time of service on Monday. Memorials may be made to Riley Hospital for Children. Arrangements entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, November 19, 2011

Norma J. Laffin, 74, of Peru, passed away at her residence at 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 17, 2011. She was born March 3, 1937 in Allegan, Mich. to Leonard and Myrtle (Cook) Butler. On July 7, 1960 she married Reuben Z. Laffin, who preceded her in death. Norma was employed with Hickory Creek Nursing Home, and was a veteran of the U.S. Navy. Survivors include her sons, Robert R. Laffin and Gilbert M. Laffin, both of Peru; daughters Shirley (Robert) Emery of Peru; Sheryl (Donald) Emery of Peru; and Barbara (Doug) Roberts, Yuma, Ariz. Also surviving is one brother, Ken Butler of Michigan. She had 12 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Reuben, one brother, and two sisters. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Monday, November 21, 2011 at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third Street in Peru. Friends may call from 11 a.m. until time of service at the funeral home. Love offerings may be made to the Norma Laffin family through the funeral home. Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home is entrusted with arrangements.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, November 21, 2011

Beecher F. Waters, 93, Amboy, died at 6 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 17, 2011 at Waterford Place Health Campus, Kokomo. Funeral arrangements are pending at Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main St.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, November 21, 2011

David Caddy 59, of Rochester, died 4:15 p.m. at the Woodlawn Hospital Emergency Room shortly after admission Nov. 19, 2011. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, November 21, 2011

Lana Kay Ferriday, 63, of Kokomo, passed away at 2:05 p.m., Friday, Nov. 18, 2011 at Saint Joseph Hospital, Kokomo. She was born in Kokomo on Sept. 26, 1948 the daughter of Earl and Betty Farley Buckalew. Lana attended the First Congregational Church in Kokomo and was a volunteer at Howard Regional Hospital. She is survived by a sister, Susan Kline and her husband Randy of Peru and their children Jamie Bauch, Katie Holt, Nathan Kline and Heath Kline; and a brother Dennis Buckalew and his wife Sally of Eaton, Ohio, and their children Nick, Dan and Kate Buckalew. Also surviving is Lana's special friend Sonny Hunt of Kokomo. Family and friends will gather from 5-8 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 22, 2011 at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 West Main Street, Peru. A private committal service will be held at 11 a.m., Wednesday at Sunset Memory Garden, Kokomo, with Pastor John Tice officiating. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to the First Congregational Church Memorial Fund. Condolences may be made online at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, November 22, 2011

Beecher F. Waters, 93, Amboy, Ind., died at 6 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 17, 2011 at Waterford Place Health Campus, Kokomo. He was born on Oct. 10, 1918 at home in rural Miami County to Harvey H. and Zella Herrell Waters. Beecher married Betty Jean Neal Tolen on June 1, 1947 in Noblesville, and she preceded him in death on Feb. 10, 2011. During WWII Beecher trained pilots as a civilian flight instructor for the Royal Canadian Air Force and the U.S. Army. He briefly owned the Peru Airport. Beecher farmed in Miami County from 1949 until 1996 and worked as an electronic technician at RCA in Marion from 1962 until his retirement in 1987. He was a 1937 graduate of Clay Township High School and attended Indiana University at Kokomo. Survivors include a son, Beecher Avon Waters and his wife Doris of Converse; daughters Kimberly Jane Waters of Greentown, Pa. and Lana Jean Iles and her husband Jim of Logansport; grandchildren John David Pfander and his wife Lisa of Dayton, Ohio, Hannah Olivia Winn and her husband Evan of Converse, Ana Maria Baracaldo of Indianapolis; six great-grandchildren and a brother Max Waters of Peru. Beecher was preceded in death by his wife of 63 years, Betty, a brother Herrell Waters and a sister Charlotte Lamb. A "Gathering of Remembrance" will be from 2-4 p.m., Friday, Nov. 25, 2011 at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 West Main St., Peru, Ind. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to a charity of choice. Condolences may be made online at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, November 22, 2011

Ronnie Vonderahe, 66, Macy, passed away at 3:30 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 11, 2011 at his residence. He was born on Oct. 3, 1945 in Kokomo to Ernest and Genevieve "Jenny" (Mills) Vonderahe. On Aug. 23, 1991 Ronnie and Vicki (Keppel) were married in Rochester. Ronnie was an avid outdoorsman; he especially enjoyed hunting and fishing. He will be lovingly remembered by his wife, Vicki Vonderahe, Macy; sister and a brother-in-law, Jan and John Cotner, Kokomo; brothers and sisters-in-law, Anthony Vonderahe and fiancé Pam Clark, Kokomo, Michael and Kim Vonderahe, John and Karen Vonderahe, Kokomo. Also surviving are several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death his parents. A memorial service will be 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 26, 2011 at the U.A.W. Local 685, 929 East Hoffer Street, Kokomo, with Kenny Hill officiating. You are invited to read Ronnie's obituary at www.ellersmortuary.com, where you may sign the guest book, share a personal message or order flowers for the family.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, November 23, 2011

Donnabell McGlothlin, 87, Rochester, died 2:12 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 22, 2011 at Hickory Creek of Rochester. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, November 23, 2011

Esther E. Hileman Rylands, 81 of Peru, passed away at 10 a.m. Monday, Nov. 21, 2011 at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne. She was born in Peru on Aug. 16, 1930, to Charlie and Leah Hileman. Esther was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. She enjoyed sewing, crafts, reading, collecting cows and spending time with family and friends. She was deeply loved by her family and friends and will be greatly missed. She was a mother to eight children: Danny and Sue Tyler, Peru; Tana Martin, Tenn.; Maxine Benner, Tenn.; Ralph Tyler, Peru; Amanda and Jim Masters, Tenn.; Leah Schneider and Lance Mangun of Plymouth; Karl Pogue, Plymouth; and Kurt and Karen Pogue, Lafayette. She was also grandmother of 22, had 34 great-grandchildren, and four great-great grandchildren. Esther was preceded in death by her husband William "Bill" Rylands, and brothers Jess, James, Harold and Dick Hileman. Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Nov. 25, 2011 at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints on Business 31, Peru. Arrangements entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, November 24, 2011

Minnie Donnabell McGlothlin, 87, Rochester, died 2:12 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 22, 2011 at Hickory Creek of Rochester. Services are at 11 a.m. Friday at Good Family Funeral Home. Calling is two hours prior to service.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, November 25, 2011

Barbara J. Barr, 71, Peru, passed away at 8:25 a.m. Friday, Nov. 25, 2011 at Blair Ridge Health Campus, Peru. Arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, November 25, 2011

Janette A. Mills, 78, Peru, died 10:42 a.m. Nov. 24 at Dukes Memorial Hospital. Arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, November 25, 2011

Janette A. Mills, 78, of Peru passed away at 10:42 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 24, 2011 at Dukes Hospital. She was born April 9, 1933 in Peru, to Ralph and Pearl (Bishop) Wilson, deceased. On Oct. 3, 1952 she married Frank L. Mills, who preceded her in death June 21, 2011. Janette attended St. Charles Catholic Church and was a member of the Ladies Golf Association. Janette worked for Sherrill Corporation for 25 years, and then was secretary for the Board of Works, City of Peru, until her retirement. Survivors include her daughter, Lorna Mills and companion Pat Buffington, Peru; a son, Michael Mills also of Peru; four grandchildren, Joshua (Nicole) Mills, Elizabeth, Ind.; Frank Mills, Franklin, Tenn.; Samuel Mills, Franklin, Tenn.; Grace Mills, Franklin, Tenn.; and a great-grandson, Lucas Michael Mills of Elizabeth, Ind. She is also survived by three sisters, Marilyn Sischo, Norma Wolfe, and Alice Amos, all of Peru. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Frank, and three brothers. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. on Thursday, Dec. 1, at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru, with the Rev. Francis Kilcline officiating. Burial will follow at Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru. Friends may call 4-7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov., 30, at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, November 25, 2011

Sandra K. Baber, 70, went to be with Our Father in Heaven Tuesday, Nov. 22, 2011, at 2:50 p.m. Born in Peru to Walter and Helen (Mooney) Rader April 18, 1941, she married William Baber Jr., Oct. 22, 1960. He preceded her in death April 2, 2003. She is survived by daughter Sonya (Donny) Ulery of Logansport, son William (Lek) Baber III of Peru, son Stephen (Michelle) Baber of Peru and son Patrick Baber of Peru; grandchildren Christy Thoden, Michael (Angela) Baber, Daniel Ulery, Stephen R. Baber, Weston Baber, Brooklyn Baber, Brandt Baber, Grant Baber, Jessica Baber, Cameron Baber, Joanna Buga, Maryanna Cozine, Stephanie (Joe) Bach, Tosha Hicks and Debra Ulery; great-grandchildren Kasandra, Aleahya, Anthony, Isaiah, Cadence, Sara, Natalie and one on the way; three sisters, Betty Graves of Peru, Pauline Tucker of Peru and Norma (Doyle) Adams of Louisiana; brother Bill (Janet) Rader of Florida, brother-in-law James (Penny) Baber of Michigan City and several nieces and nephews. In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by her parents, in-laws and four brothers. She was a wonderful wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, aunt and friend and will be greatly missed by all. The funeral will take place Sunday at 3 p.m. at the Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home with Pastor George McCarty officiating. Friends may call from noon until the time of service Sunday and the burial will take place at Mount Home Cemetery.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, November 28, 2011

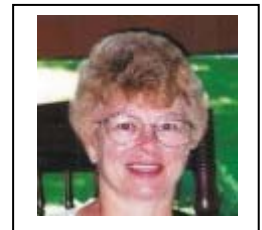
Gary Corwin Harding, 65, West Harrison, formerly of Peru, died Nov. 23, 2011 at Hospice of Hamilton. Funeral services were held Nov. 28 at Rockdale United Methodist Church in West Harrison.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, November 28, 2011

Jeffrey Mikolajczyk, 55, Mexico, died Nov. 26, 2011 at 10:30 a.m. at his residence. Arrangements are pending at Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, November 28, 2011

Barbara "Joan" Christensen Barr, 71, born July 22, 1940, died on Nov. 25, 2011 at Blair Ridge in Peru, after losing a four year struggle with cancer. She is survived by her husband, Howard Barr; three children, Sally (Christensen) Rine of Elmira, N.Y., William J. "Bill" Christensen, Jr. of Logansport and Teresa (Christensen) Rosenhauer of Thompson's Station, Tenn. She is also survived by two step-children, Lori Barr of Fort Lauderdale, Fla. and Matthew Barr of Indianapolis. She also leaves behind 15 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. She has three siblings, Lois Abbott, Roy Martin and Juanita Wiles, all of Peru. Joan was preceded in death by her parents, Maynard and Hazel Martin of Peru, her first husband William "Bill" J. Christensen and a grandson. Joan was a native of Peru and graduated from Peru High School in 1958. She was a member of the Chapel of Praise for over 30 years and retired in April 2011 from the Area V- Energy Assistance Program. During her lifetime, Joan enjoyed occupying her time doing a variety of crafts such as knitting, crocheting, flower arrangements and oil painting. She was content to be at home and enjoy her family. Friends and family may call from 4-7 p.m. on Monday at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home in Peru. The funeral will take place Tuesday, Nov. 29, at 10 a.m. at the funeral home, with Pastor Dave Ross officiating. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to Blair Ridge Activities in memory of Joan. She will be greatly missed by family and friends. Remember her well.



Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, November 28, 2011

Kristi Nicole Warner, 32, Peru, died Nov. 25, 2011 at 12:40 p.m. at Lutheran Hospital in Ft. Wayne. Arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, November 28, 2011

Michael Wayne Wininger, 58, Kokomo, passed away at 5:26 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 24, 2011 in his residence. He was born May 29, 1953 in Kokomo to the late Charles and Mary Ruth (Ellison) Wininger. He married Lucinda 'LuAnn' Wininger on Sept. 23, 1995 in Kokomo, and she survives. He graduated from Maconaquah High School in 1972. Mike had worked for Cuneo Press for many years, and also worked for Fouts Tire in Kokomo from 1995 until 2007. He was a member of Mt. Zion Free Methodist Church. He enjoyed drag racing, going to gun shows, and loved spending time with the family. He especially enjoyed attending his grandchildren's events. Surviving is his wife; Lucinda "LuAnn" Wininger, Kokomo; son and daughter-in-law David M. and Tonya Wininger, Kokomo; daughter and a son-in-law; Jill and Randy Chilcutt, Peru; four brothers and three sisters-in-law, Fred and Phyllis Wininger, Tim and Cindy Wininger, George and Vickie Wininger and Jim Wininger; four sisters and one brother-in-law, Dianna Wilson, Jane Jones, Peggy Smith and Tracy and Bill McCartney; and five grandchildren, Britney, Alexis, Megan, Cole and Sam. Also surviving is a special friend and mother of his children; Sherri Reyburn, along with her mother; Janet White, who was very special to him. He was preceded in death by his parents, grandparents, and mother and father-in-law. Services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Ellers Mortuary Webster Street Chapel, 3400 S. Webster St., with Pastor Russell Veldman officiating. Burial will follow at Memorial Park Cemetery. Friends may visit with the family Monday from 4-8 p.m. at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be directed to the American Liver Foundation, 921 East 86th Street, Suite 150, Indianapolis, IN 46240. Envelopes will be provided at the mortuary. The family would like to give a special thanks to VNS Hospice and Dr. Annette Moore.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, November 28, 2011

Ombra M. Kintner, 96, Peru, died Nov. 24, 2011 at 9:40 p.m. at Caring Hands Healthcare in Peru. She was born Sept. 15, 1915, to Chester and Nellie (Smith) McKinley in Peru and later married Lloyd Irvin Kintner, who preceded her in death. Ombra was a homemaker as well as an employee at Square D, Senger's Dry Goods and Dukes Memorial Hospital. She was also a member of the First Baptist Church as well as the Eastern Star Peru Lodge. She was survived by two sons, Dennis (Linda) Kintner, of Gillette, Wyo. and David (Carolyn Sue) Kintner of Galveston; seven grand children and three great-grandchildren. In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by a brother, Robert H. McKinley and two great-grandchildren. Friends may call from 11 a.m. until the time of service, 2 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 29 at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home. The funeral service will then take place, with the Rev. George Dinkel officiating. Burial is to follow at Mount Hope Cemetery. Memorials are to be made to the donator's favorite charity.



Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, November 28, 2011

Roger K. Westfall, 65, Peru, died Nov. 25 at 10:23 a.m. at Howard Regional Health System in Kokomo. He was born Sept. 13, 1946 in Kokomo to Robert and Berneice (Kieth) Westfall and they preceded him in death. Roger married Lorretta Mofield July 25, 2002 and she survives. Roger was retired from Chrysler and served in the United States Air Force. He was also a member of the Peru Maennerchor. In addition to his wife, he is survived by three daughters, Shannon Poe of Kokomo, Nicole (Memo) Perez of Windfall and Danielle Westfall of Kokomo; a sister, Pamela (Weldy C.) Baldwin of Henderson, Nev.; and 10 grandchildren. Friends may call from 2-7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov.

29 at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home. Funeral services are to take place at the funeral home Wednesday, Nov. 30 at 11 a.m. with the Rev. George Dinkel officiating. Burial is to follow at Mount Hope Cemetery. Military Rites will be provided by the Miami County Military Rites Team. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, November 28, 2011

Wilma Jean "Willie" Troxell, 91, of Peru, passed away at 8 p.m., Friday, Nov., 25, 2011 at Caring Hands Health Care Center in Peru. She was born on April 6, 1920 in Peru, the daughter of John and Eura Etter Ireland. She married Cecil E. Troxell on Sept. 3, 1935 in Marion and he preceded her in death on March 10, 1970. Willie was a member of the Main Street United Methodist Church, was employed as a clerk at Senger Dry Goods and was the former store manager of Plotner's Dress Shop. Willie had a passion for living, which one couldn't help but notice. She had an infectious love for life, family and friends. She played the violin, enjoyed playing golf and was an avid softball player in her younger days. She was particularly proud of the fact that she pitched in the National Championship game of the Women's Fast Pitch Softball Tournament in St. Louis, MO in the late 1930s. Willie had a special place in her heart for all animals especially her dogs. She is survived by a daughter Jolene Jorgensen and her husband Robert of Peru; a son Terry Troxell and his wife Linda of Shirley; grandchildren Lori Jorgensen, Tony Troxell and his wife Shannon and Andy Troxell and his wife Tracy; great-grandchildren Jacen Troxell, Benjamin Troxell and Mary Troxell; two sisters Lelia Martin of North Manchester and Bonita Harris of Peru. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Cecil, two brothers John Marvin Ireland and William Ireland and five sisters Oveta Frasure, Lavon Wilrath, Helen Cox, Edith Fritchey and Ann Keim. A service celebrating the life of Wilma Jean "Willie" Troxell will be 11 a.m., Wednesday, Nov. 30 at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 West Main Street, Peru, with the Rev. John E. Hess officiating. Burial will be in Greenlawn Cemetery, Mexico. Family and friends will gather from 5-8 p.m., Tuesday at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home. Memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to the City of Peru Animal Care and Control (PACC). Condolences may be made online at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, November 29, 2011

Lorine A. Keele, 91, formerly of Tiosa, died Sunday, Nov. 27, 2011 at 6:05 p.m. Service: Thursday, Dec. 1, 2011 at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, December 1, 2011

Billy Tyler, 81, Rochester, was surrounded by his loving family when he passed away at 9:15 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 29, 2011 at his home. Arrangements are pending at the Good Family Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, December 1, 2011

David Beck Sr., 79, Peru, died at his residence Saturday, Nov. 26, 2011. Arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, December 1, 2011

Deana Luella Brewer, 86, passed away on Tuesday morning, Nov. 29, 2011 at Saint Francis Hospital, Beech Grove, Ind. Born Nov. 26, 1925 in Acton, Ind. she was the daughter of Charles William and Daphen Wilkins Null. She was married to Earl Brewer in July 1955, and he preceded her in death on July 29, 1979. She is survived by her children, Dennis (Nicki) Brewer, Whiteland; Bonnie Sue (Mario) Luna, Wichita, Kansas; Linda (Allen) Pencek, Ellsworth, Illinois; and Richard Daniel Brewer, Peru; her grandchildren, Michelle Keller, Cindi Greathouse, Melanie Wilson, Daphen Arguijo, Alisia Luna, Mario Luna, Jr., Misty Dabney, Kent and Sharlin Glassburn, Robert Gonzalez, Andrew Pencek, and Jason, Kyle, and Jordan Brewer; and 28 great grandchildren; one sister, Geneva Williams, Indianapolis; two brothers, Stephen and Frank Null, Greenfield. She was preceded in death by one daughter, Nancy E. Roseberry. Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 2, 2011 at Pleasant View Baptist Church, near Acton, Ind. with Pastor Tom Strong officiating. Burial will follow in the Pleasant View Cemetery. Visitation will be from noon until the time of services. Arrangements are being handled by McClain Funeral Home, Denver, Ind.



Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, December 1, 2011

Elizabeth Ann 'Liz' Guyer Lee, age 48, Logansport, passed away at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 29, 2011 in the emergency room at Memorial Hospital. Born in Peru on July 13, 1963, Liz was the daughter of Henry and Judy Bonney Guyer. Her mother survives, residing in Peru. Her father preceded her in death. Liz was married Aug. 28, 1993, to James Lee, who survives, residing in Logansport. Liz was a substance abuse counselor for CLIFF ("Clean Living Is Freedom Forever") at the Logansport Juvenile Correctional Facility. A 1981 graduate of Peru High School, she earned a bachelor's degree in substance abuse counseling from Indiana Wesleyan University and was in the process of earning a master's degree from Triune University. She was a life member of the VFW Post 3790 auxiliary and also a member of the American Legion Post 60 auxiliary. In addition to her husband and mother, Liz

is survived by a brother, Greg (Brooke) Guyer, Peru, and a sister, Cheryl (William) Wallace, Shelbyville. Four step daughters survive, Linda (Chuck) Wood, Idaville, Patricia Lee, Albion, Barbara Lee, Burnettsville, and Jamie (Cristian) Matson, Avilla. Eight step grandchildren, three step great grandchildren and several nieces, nephews, aunts and uncles also survive. Visitation will be held from 3 to 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 2, 2011 at Kroeger Funeral Home, where there will be a VFW auxiliary service at 5 p.m. Friday. The funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 3, 2011 at the funeral home, with the Rev. John Armstrong officiating. Burial will be in Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or the Paralyzed Veterans of America. Condolences may be left online at www.kroegerfuneralhome.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, December 1, 2011

Susan Dorthea (Schaefer) Birk, 76, of Peru, died at 2:45 a.m. on Tuesday Nov. 29, 2011 at IU Med Center in Indianapolis. She had been ill for the past year. She was born on Nov. 7, 1935 in Fort Wayne, to Louis F. and Evelyn (Burdue) Schaefer. She was graduated from LaPaz High School in 1953 and was married to Ralph E. Birk on Aug. 1, 1954. He preceded her in death on Dec. 27, 2008. Susan and Ralph built their own home in Plymouth, where they resided from the time of their marriage until 1967 when they moved to Peru, after they purchased the One Hour Cleaners. She was also part of Miami Computer Services, Inc. for nearly 40 years, a business Ralph and her started in 1968. She did the data entry (keypunching) and made deliveries of finished work. Until her death, she did bookkeeping for One Hour Cleaners. Having been born during the Great Depression and living through WWII, she was part of the generation that married in the 1950's and found that opportunities were nearly endless. After high school, she worked for Emmco Insurance in South Bend, until the birth of her first son in 1958, when she spent the next several years raising the two sons, being involved in various school and scouting functions and such. She bowled in a league for many years also. She and her husband for many years planted a large garden, to which she canned and froze numerous vegetables and fruits. An avid baker, she made thousands and thousands of cookies over the years whether it was a school event when her sons were small or for the holidays. She and her sister-in-laws and her mother-in-law would gather and can homemade vegetable soups and would also work on quilts. She also did a lot of sewing in the earlier years including making many of her own clothes. She is survived by her two sons, Christopher L. Birk of Peru, Ind. and Alan E. (June) Birk of Gilbert Ariz. and grandson Regan E. Birk. She is also survived by a brother John (Betty) Schaefer, Plymouth and a sister Judith

DeFries, Elkhart and by a very dear friend Lori Lees, Bunker Hill. She is also survived by many nephews and nieces. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband and by 3 brothers: Louis Schaefer, Thomas Schaefer and Richard Schaefer (all of Marshall County, Indiana). Viewing will be Sunday, Dec. 4 from 2 to 6 p.m. at the Flowers Leedy Funeral Home, Peru. Funeral services will be at the funeral home on Monday, Dec. 5 at 10 a.m., officiated by Pastor Evan Strong, Bunker Hill United Methodist Church. Burial will be in Springdale Cemetery in Bunker Hill, Ind. Memorial contributions can be made to the Bunker Hill United Methodist Church, PO Box 487, Bunker Hill, Ind.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, December 2, 2011

Mary A. Hawkins, 66, Converse, Indiana, died at 1:50 a.m., Tuesday, Nov. 29, 2011 at Miller's Merry Manor, Marion. She was born on March 10 1945 in Peru, Indiana, to the late Thurman and Lessie (Smith) Warren. Mary retired from United Technologies in Huntington, Indiana. She collected Elvis and frog memorabilia. She also was an avid NASCAR fan. She is survived by son Edward Hawkins, Converse, daughter Ellen (Kenneth) Slaven, Alexandria, Ky., daughter Bonita (Robert) Morgan, Indianapolis, brother Delbert (Louise) Warren, Sweetser, five grandchildren; Wayne and Tiffany Slaven, Andrew and Tara Sizemore and Christopher Morgan, great grandson Adrian, great grand daughter Audrey Rose, and close friend Nancy Cox. No services are scheduled. Arrangements were handled by Owen-Weilert-Duncan Funeral Home, Larrison-Martin Chapel, 308 East Marion Street, Converse, Indiana. Online condolences may be made at www.owenweilertduncan.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, December 2, 2011

G. Allen Music, 46, of rural Peru, Ind. died at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 29, 2011 in Miami County. He was born Jan. 19, 1965 in Wabash to Clarence O. Music and Thelma A. (Martin) Lewis. Allen was a 1983 graduate of Southwood High School. He married Lori Sumpter in Wabash, on Oct. 2, 2004. He was employed at M&B Body Shop, Wabash and also was a carpenter and electrician. He was a member of the Wabash Church of Christ. Allen enjoyed skeet shooting, hunting, and vehicle restorations. He was an outstanding softball and baseball player. He is survived by wife, Lori Sumpter, daughter, Ashley Music, and step-daughter, Alexandria Sumpter all of rural Peru; parents, Thelma and Paul Lewis and Clarence and Linda Music all of Wabash; sister, Rose (Doug) Statts of Wabash; brother, Kenny Music of Peru; step-brother, Bill Smedley of Wabash; two step-sisters, Erica (George) Gebhart and Paula (Scott) Hunsberger both of Churubusco, Ind.; parents-in-law, Larry and Pauline Sumpter of Wabash. He was preceded in death by his infant son, Chad Music. Funeral services will be held at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 1241 Manchester Avenue, Wabash, on Monday, Dec. 5, 2011 at 10:30 a.m. with Guy Provance officiating. Burial will be in Friends Cemetery, Wabash. Friends may call 2-6 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 4 at the funeral home. Preferred memorial is Allen's Daughter, Ashley Music. The memorial guest book for Allen may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, December 2, 2011

Ned E. McIntosh, 83, Rochester, died 5:03 a.m. Dec. 1, 2011 at Hickory Creek of Rochester. Funeral services: 11 a.m. Dec. 5, Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home. Calling hours: 2-5 p.m. Sunday, one hour before service.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, December 3, 2011

David Ramon Beck, Sr., 79, Peru went to be with Our Father in Heaven on Sunday, Nov. 27, 2011. He was born in Peru to Frank and Mabel (Quinn) Beck on July 8, 1932. He graduated from Chili High School in 1951, where he was a proud member of Bob Macy's first basketball team. After high school he served in the United States Navy during both the Korean and Vietnam wars as an Electricians Mate First Class, and played on the Naval basketball team as a starting point guard, along with starting pitcher for the Naval fast pitch softball traveling team. He brought his skills back to Miami County and traveled the tri-state area amassing a record of 636 wins and only 32 losses. One of these was defeating "The King and his Court" in the 70's. During his service to our country he was awarded the Korean Service Medal (two stars), United Nations Service Medal, National Defense Service Medal twice, Vietnam Service Medal with one Bronze Star and the Republic of Vietnam Campaign medal. After he retired from the Navy he went to work for the Norfolk and Southern Railroad where he worked as a conductor and train engineer for 17 years before retiring. David was a member of Roanoke, Huntington, Wabash, North Manchester and Peru American Legions and VFWs where he held several posts along the way, including Chaplain. He was also a member of the Eagles, Elks, Moose and The Lions Club. He was the announcer for the Little League home games in Andrews, Wabash and Peru. He was an avid basketball enthusiast, enjoyed watching Chris Smith play golf at Rock Hollow, sponsoring children from St. Jude's Hospital, enjoyed listening to his two favorite singers, Loretta Lynn and Crystal Gayle, whom he grew up with playing bingo; and of course, spending time with his family, friends, and newest great-granddaughter, Isabella Nicole. David is survived by his loving children, David R. (Lisa) Beck Jr., Roxann Beck, Sandra (Chris) Avery, Debra (Kenneth) Pierce, Kathryn Bailey, Albert (Angel) Ousley, Tamara (Edward) Robertson; 17 wonderful grandchildren, Dustin, Jasmine, Gloria, Krystal, Alisha, Brian, Amanda, Amber, Caleb, Trisha, Donna, Lisa, Ashley, Rusty, Jake, Cynthia, and Melinda. He is also survived by several great-grandchildren, two sisters, Barbara Miller and Elizabeth (Craig) Bruce, and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, his brother Ronald Beck, and two sisters, Eloise Phiffer and Joanne Mitchell. He was a wonderful father, grandfather, brother and friend and he will be greatly missed by all. Visitation will be 9-11 a.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 6, 2011 at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru. The funeral ceremony will follow, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. Burial will immediately follow at the Marion VA Cemetery at 1 p.m. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to the St. Jude Children's Hospital in remembrance of David.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, December 3, 2011

David Wayne Burns, 66, Macy, died at 1:40 a.m. Friday. Funeral arrangements are pending by McClain Funeral Home, with visitation Monday and the funeral service on Tuesday. The complete obituary will appear in Monday's newspaper.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, December 3, 2011

Joanne Fisher, 81, Rochester, passed away at 1:17 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 30, 2011 at Hickory Creek, Rochester. Born May 3, 1930 in Peru, Ind. she was the daughter of Maurice Druhot and his wife Helen. She was married to Richard Allen Fisher, Oct. 26, 1962 in Peru, Ind. and he preceded her in death on Dec. 25, 2002. She is survived by her mother, Helen Biggs Tucker, Peru; five children, Dru Fisher, Houston, Texas; Lori (Bruce) Cress, Twelve Mile; Beth (Kevin Studebaker) Fisher, South Whitley, Ind.; Dan Fisher, Rochester; Don (Megan) Fisher, Kingman, Arizona; one brother, Marvin Tucker, Peru. She was preceded in death by her father, Maurice; stepfather, Joe Tucker; one sister, Jeanne Bitsko; and one brother, Don Tucker. There will be no services or visitation at this time. McClain Funeral Home, Denver has been entrusted with arrangements.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, December 3, 2011

Susan Dortha (Schaefer) Birk, 76, of Peru, died at 2:45 a.m. on Tuesday Nov. 29, 2011 at IU Med Center in Indianapolis. She had been ill for the past year. She was born on Nov. 7, 1935 in Fort Wayne, to Louis F. and Evelyn (Burdue) Schaefer. She was graduated from LaPaz High School in 1953 and was married to Ralph E. Birk on Aug. 1, 1954. He preceded her in death on Dec. 27, 2008. Susan and Ralph built their own home in Plymouth, where they resided from the time of their marriage until 1967 when they moved to Peru, after they purchased the One Hour Cleaners. She was also part of Miami Computer Services, Inc. for nearly 40 years, a business Ralph and her started in 1968. She did the data entry (keypunching) and made deliveries of finished work. Until her death, she did bookkeeping for One Hour Cleaners. Having been born during the Great Depression and living through WWII, she was part of the generation that married in the 1950's and found that opportunities were nearly endless. After high school, she worked for Emmco Insurance in South Bend, until the birth of her first son in 1958, when she spent the next several years raising the two sons, being involved in various school and scouting functions and such. She bowled in a league for many years also. She and her husband for many years planted a large garden, to which she canned and froze numerous vegetables and fruits. An avid baker, she made thousands and thousands of cookies over the years whether it was a school event when her sons were small or for the holidays. She and her sister-in-laws and her mother-in-law would gather and can homemade vegetable soups and would also work on quilts. She also did a lot of sewing in the earlier years including making many of her own clothes. She is survived by her two sons, Christopher L. Birk of Peru, Ind. and Alan E. (June) Birk of Gilbert Ariz. and grandson Regan E. Birk. She is also survived by a brother John (Betty) Schaefer, Plymouth and a sister Judith DeFries, Elkhart and by a very dear friend Lori Lees, Bunker Hill. She is also survived by many nephews and nieces. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband and by 3 brothers: Louis Schaefer, Thomas Schaefer and Richard Schaefer (all of Marshall County, Indiana). Viewing will be Sunday, Dec. 4 from 2 to 6 p.m. at the Flowers Leedy Funeral Home, Peru. Funeral services will be at the funeral home on Monday, Dec. 5 at 10 a.m., officiated by Pastor Evan Strong, Bunker Hill United Methodist Church. Burial will be in Springdale Cemetery in Bunker Hill, Ind. Memorial contributions can be made to the Bunker Hill United Methodist Church, PO Box 487, Bunker Hill, Ind.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, December 5, 2011

David W. Burns, 66, Macy, passed away at 1:41 a.m. Friday, Dec. 2, 2011 at Howard Regional Health System, Kokomo. Born Nov. 14, 1945 in Peru, Ind. he was the son of the late Robert Thomas and Cora Lillian Scott Burns. David enjoyed playing Euchre and UNO with his family. He collected hotwheels and matchbox cars. He enjoyed attending horse pulls, tractor pulls, auctions and demolition derbies. He had worked at U.S. Gypsum in Wabash and was a member of the Peru Moose Lodge. He is survived by his wife Linda Burns, Macy; one son, Robin E. Burns, Vincennes; three brothers, Bernard (Diane) Burns, Macy; Richard (Jane) Burns, Rochester; and his twin brother, Daniel (Cheryl) Burns, Wabash; along with several nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers, Robert and John Burns. Funeral services will be 11 a.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 6, 2011 at McClain Funeral Home with Pastor Mark Spencer officiating. Visitation will be from 4-8 p.m. on Monday at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to Macy Christian Church Food Pantry or to the Humane Society. The online guestbook can be signed at www.mcclainfh.com

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, December 5, 2011

Janice M. Robison, 84, Peru, died at 8:53 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 4, 2011 at Howard Regional Health System, Kokomo. Funeral arrangements are pending at the Allen Funeral Home, Bunker Hill, Ind.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, December 5, 2011

Malvina Ball, 99, of rural Wabash County, Ind. died at 1:50 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 3, 2011 at her home. She was born July 24, 1912 in Lansing, Ohio, to John DeBin and Daisy (Scory) Long. Malvina married Ernest Ball in Wabash, Ind. on Aug. 25, 1939; he died May of 1973. She performed with the Ringling Brothers Barnum Bailey Circus several years and performed with her sisters as an acrobatic team until 1939. She co-owned, along with her husband, Ernie's Drive-In in Wabash. She was a member of the Circus Fans of America. Malvina enjoyed gathering herbs for making tea, and loved teaching her grandchildren life lessons. She is survived by four children, Madeline (Gordon) Bolinger of Kokomo, Ind., Lana (Jerry) Long of Wabash, Tom (Ginny) Ball and Ernie (Barbara) Ball, both of rural Wabash County; step-son, Don (Lois) Ball of Middletown, Ind.; 22 grandchildren, several great grandchildren and great great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by one son, one step son, two sisters, a grandson, and a great granddaughter. Funeral services will be held at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 1241

Manchester Ave. Wabash, on Wednesday, Dec. 7, 2011 at 10 a.m. with David Phillips officiating. Burial will be in Converse Cemetery, Converse. Friends may call 4-8 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home. Preferred memorial is Wabash-Miami Home Healthcare and Hospice. The memorial guest book for Malvina may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, December 5, 2011

William E. Loper, 70, Rochester, died at 3:15 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 3, 2011 at Life Care Center of Rochester. Funeral arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, December 6, 2011

Betty J. Brown, 74, passed away at 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 4, 2011 at her residence in Peru. Services are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, December 6, 2011

Hiroko "Nicky" Norton, 74, of Onward, passed away at 11:20 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 3, 2011 at Dukes Hospital in Peru. She was born July 5, 1937 in Aomori, Japan to Sadazo and Mesa Kwata. On July 16, 1964 she married James Owen Norton in Saporu, Japan, and he preceded her in death Jan. 6, 2000. Nicky was a homemaker, and was active in Home Ec Club in Cass County, and was a member of Onward Christian Church in Onward. She loved her grandchildren dearly, and she enjoyed playing bingo and doing crochet. Survivors include her daughter Christina Norton and her companion, Mac Erwin of Logansport, a daughter Paulette (Dennis) Sipe, Walton; two grandchildren, Bracy and Mylie Sipe of Walton. She is also survived by her sister, Ukea Saito of Japan; brothers Hiroshi Kwata, Hisao Kwata, and Yochio Kobayashi, all of Japan; and a sister in law, Carla (Phillip) King of Mason W. Va. She was preceded in death by her husband James, a brother, and both her parents. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 8 at Murray Weaver Funeral Home in Galveston, with the Rev. Rod Mason officiating. Burial will follow in the Walton IOOF Cemetery, Walton. Visitation will be 4-8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 7, 2011 at the funeral home, 401 S. California Street, Galveston. In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to the American Cancer Society. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.murrayweaverfuneralhome.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, December 6, 2011

Janice Marie Craft Robison, 84, passed away Sunday, Dec. 4, 2011 at Howard Regional Health System, Kokomo. She was born in Warsaw July 23, 1927, to Howard and Marie Craft. She graduated valedictorian of her class from Gilead High School in 1945. Eager to serve her country, Janice entered the Army Cadet Nurse program at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne. World War II ended before her nurse's training was completed, so no military duty was served. However she graduated as a registered nurse, and served the people of her community proudly for more than 40 years. Before her retirement, Janice spent most of her career at Dukes Memorial Hospital in Peru, where she was known as "Nurse Robbie." She also worked at Wabash County Hospital for a time. She was known as a compassionate and professional nurse, beloved by patients and well respected by her peers. During her lifetime Janice enjoyed genealogy, antiques, playing Scrabble or Euchre, and her memberships in Daughters of the American Revolution and the Miami County Historical Society. Survivors include her younger sister, Sue Craft See and her five children: Neil (Kathy) Robison, Spanish Fort, Ala.; Juli Smith, Indianapolis; Jill (Dominick) Imperio, Ocala, Fla.; Joy Robison, New Milford, Conn.; and Karl (Teri) Robison, Bunker Hill. Janice was also a loving grandmother to 10 grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Janice was preceded in death by her parents and her older brother, Howard Craft, Jr. A celebration of life memorial will take place at a later date. Arrangements were entrusted to Allen Funeral Home, Bunker Hill.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, December 6, 2011

William E. Loper, 70, Rochester, died Saturday. Celebration of life: 11 a.m. Wednesday, First Baptist Church, 1000 Main St., Rochester. Visitation: 4-8 p.m. Tuesday, Good Family Funeral Home; one hour prior to the service, church.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, December 7, 2011- Thursday, December 8, 2011

Betty J. Brown, 74, of Peru, passed away at 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 4, 2011 at her residence. She was born in Columbus, Ohio on Aug. 18, 1937, to Paul and Marjorie (Brown) Orem. Betty was married to Richard Brown in 1966, and he survives. She is retired from Columbus Auto Parts, Columbus, Ohio. Survivors include a son, Doug (Lori) Hazlett of Peru; a daughter, Robin Oliver, Burnsville, Minn.; grandchildren Natasha (Adam) Croushore, Nolan (Darcey) Hazlett, Clint Hazlett, Sarah Oliver, Randi Oliver and Ariana Oliver. She also is survived by great-grandkids, Cian Hazlett, Cynthia Croushore, and Tobi Oliver. Also surviving are brothers, Lanny (Blanche) Orem of Columbus, Ohio; Paul (Marjorie) Orem, Jr., Rapid City, S.D.; sisters Diana LeVette, Columbus, Ohio; Mara (Larry) Boyce, Anoka, Minn.; and a sister-in-law, Carolyn Orem of Glenford, Ohio. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 8 at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, with Pastor Gene Branscomb officiating. Friends may call from 12 p.m. until time of service on Thursday. Arrangements entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru. Memorials may be made to the Humane Society, Wabash-Miami Hospice, or the American Cancer Society through the funeral home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, December 7, 2011

Russell "Junior" Wise, Jr., 88, of Peru, Indiana, died Sunday, Dec. 4, 2011 at 11:58 p.m. at Dukes Memorial Hospital in Peru. He was born May 25, 1923 in Peru, Indiana to Russell Sr. and Lucy (Mowery) Wise. Junior was a member of the Peru First Presbyterian Church. He worked at Mount Hope Cemetery and Catey Dairy, both in Peru. He loved the circus, especially the Peru Circus. He collected Emmett Kelly memorabilia and loved the Peru Tigers. He is survived by two sisters, Mary

Frances (Paul) Mathis of Meridian, Miss., and Lois Jane (David G.) Harding of Peru; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by three infant sisters. Funeral services will be at the Chapel at Mount Hope Cemetery, 411 Grant St., Peru, Thursday, Dec. 8 at 2 p.m. with Pastor Larry Moslener officiating. Burial will be in Mount Hope Cemetery. Friends may call 12-2 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 8 at the cemetery chapel. Preferred memorial is the Peru Circus. The memorial guest book for Junior may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, December 8, 2011 - Friday, December 9, 2011

Donnabell Ruth Phillips, 92, of Peru, formerly of Logansport, passed away at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 6, 2011 in Hickory Creek Nursing Home. Born Oct. 4, 1919 in Bethel Township, Cass County, she was the daughter of Arthur and Icil Champ Bassler. She was married Dec. 12, 1938, in Claypool, Ind. to her husband of 65 years, Howard M. Phillips. He preceded her in death Feb. 3, 2003. A 1937 graduate of Twelve Mile High School, Donnabell was a homemaker. She was self-employed in domestic work in Logansport for 39 years and then volunteered at Miller's Merry Manor for eight years. While there, she won several trophies and awards for her efforts. Donnabell was a 70-year member of Spring Creek Christian Church where she had taught Sunday School for 10 years. She also served as church treasurer for several years. In 1999, she moved to Peru and became a member of the First Church of Christ. Surviving are son, Ronald Phillips and his wife, Clara of Peru; two grandchildren, Greg Phillips, of Lafayette, and Robert Phillips, of Peru; great-grandchild, Brandon Phillips, of Peru; nephew, Ken Bassler and his wife Sharon, of Carmel; niece, Melissa Bassler of Fort Wayne; one great-nephew, Chris Bassler of Fort Wayne; 16 step-grandchildren, 16 step-great-grandchildren; and many cousins. She was preceded in death by an infant son, Curtis Dale Phillips; one brother Chester Bassler; and one sister, Maridean Fitz. Services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 10, 2011 in the First Church of Christ, 2584 South Business 31, Peru, with Minister Shane Capps officiating. Interment will follow in the Bethlehem U.M. Cemetery, Twelve Mile. Friends may call from 5-8 p.m. at the Fisher Funeral Chapel, 1801 Chase Road, Logansport, Ind. Visitation will also be held at the First Church of Christ one hour prior to the services on Saturday. Memorial contributions may be made to the Cass County Weekday Religious Education. Envelopes will be available at the funeral chapel. You may light a candle of hope in remembrance of Donnabell and view her video tribute at www.fisherfuneralchapel.com

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, December 8, 2011 - Friday, December 9, 2011

Glen G. Brown, 82, of Mexico, passed away at 8:34 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 6, 2011 at St. Joseph Hospital in Kokomo. He was born Aug. 29, 1929 in Bedford, Ky. to Hurley and Bessie (McClure) Brown, deceased. On June 26, 1948 he married Betty B. Brooks and she survives. Glen was retired from Brown's Sanitation and Engineering. When he was younger, Glen was an avid hunter and fisherman. Survivors in addition to his wife Betty, are three sons: Randy (Ruby) Brown of Mexico; Roger (Marcia) Brown, Peru; Daniel (Peggy) Brown, Peru; daughters Carla Williams, Mexico; Kim (Denny) McGuire, Mexico; and Kelli (Allen) Stuber, of Bunker Hill. He also had 13 grandchildren, Scott, Beth, Joni, Matt, Christy, Charity, Tera, Stacey, Dennis, Shane, Cody, Blair and Danielle; and one great-grandchild. He was preceded in death by his parents and two sisters - Sylvia Brown and Jean Brown. Funeral services will be at 12 p.m. Friday, Dec. 9, 2011 at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru, with Pastor Ron Laudenschlager and Pastor Bill Cook officiating. Burial will follow in Greenlawn Cemetery, Mexico. Friends may call at the funeral home from 10 a.m. on Friday, until time of service. Memorial contributions may be made to the Mexico First Brethren Church.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, December 9, 2011

Eileen D. Boardman, 88, formerly of Rochester, died at Plainfield Health Care Dec. 7, 2011. A celebration of life will be at 11 a.m. Dec. 12, 2011 at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, December 9, 2011

Helen Jane Large Shriver died Dec. 7, 2011 at her residence. A celebration of life will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 10, 2011 at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

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Mary Heckaman, 87, of Argos, died Dec. 7, 2011 in Sebring, Fla. Arrangements are pending at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, IN 46975

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Richard Daniel "Dan" Brewer, 47, of Peru passed away Wednesday, Dec. 7, 2011 at his residence. He was born June 22, 1964 in Grand Forks, N.D. to the late Earl Vinton and Deana Luella Null Brewer. On July 28, 1984 he married Diana Marie See, and she survives. Dan loved spending time with his family, especially his children and granddaughter. He also loved Harley Davidson motorcycles. Surviving in addition to his wife are his children, Jason Daniel Brewer and his fiancé Betty Burgess, along with their daughter Kara Love Brewer, Denver; Kyle Lee Brewer, Peru; and Jordan Lynn Brewer, Peru; one brother, Dennis Brewer and his wife Nicki, Whiteland; two sisters, Bonnie Sue Luna and her husband Mario, Wichita, Kansas; and Linda Pencek and her husband Allen, Ellsworth, Illinois; and his dog, Pepper. Funeral services will be at 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 10, 2011 at McClain Funeral Home, Denver, with Pastor Rod Correll officiating. Visitation will be 2-4 p.m. Saturday, at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made through the funeral home for the benefit of Dan's family.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, December 10, 2011

Suzette "Suzy" Denham, 47, passed away at her residence in Van Buren, Ind. Thursday, Dec. 8, 2011. She was born in Indianapolis and grew up in Van Buren, the only daughter of David and Elaine Ferguson of Van Buren. Suzy was a 1982 graduate of Eastbrook High School. In high school she played the piano for the choir and sang with the Panther Edition. Suzy attended Fort Wayne Business College and was a graduate of Ivy Tech with an associate degree of applied science as a medical assistant. She was formerly an EMT with Medic #6 of Van Buren. Suzy had worked in a bank, doctors' offices and nursing homes. She helped in the funeral home in Van Buren, and had spent many hours working with her dad to put the Van Buren Cemetery information in the computers. She made many beautiful cross stitch pieces, and loved working crossword puzzles, Sudoku and word jumbles. She was a member of the Van Buren United Methodist Church and was very active in the youth group when she was younger. Survivors include her only son, Harley M. Denham of Peru; her parents, David and Elaine Ferguson of Warren, Ind.; her brother, Tim Ferguson of Calif.; nieces, Sydney Ferguson and Chelsea Campbell of Tampa, Fla.; and also many aunts, uncles and cousins. Suzy was preceded in death by her grandparents, Burney and Lillian Ferguson, and Philip and Gladys Evans. Friends may call at the Ferguson and Glancy Funeral Home Saturday, Dec. 10, 2011, 1-9 p.m. and again at the Van Buren United Methodist Church on Sunday, Dec. 11, 2011, 12:30-3 p.m. Funeral services will follow at 3 p.m. in the church, with Pastor Leon Pomeroy officiating. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that memorials be made to the American Diabetes Association, 7363 East 21st Street, Indianapolis, Ind. 46291. Envelopes are available at the funeral home. Online condolences may be made at www.glancyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, December 12, 2011

Betty Hann, 81, passed away 1:40 a.m. Dec. 11, 2011 at Hickory Creek in Peru. She was born Dec. 6, 1930 in Sharpsville, the daughter of Bob and Leah Jarrett. She married Robert Hann who preceded her in death Oct. 16, 1996. Betty was a homemaker. She is survived by her sister-in-law Betty Ebert, Peru, and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband, parents and a son, Adrian Hann. Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 14 at Mt. Hope Chapel with Pastor Kevin Palmer officiating. Burial will be in Mt. Hope Cemetery, Peru. Arrangements by Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, December 12, 2011

Gene A. Correll, 84, Peru, died 2 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 9, 2011, at Dukes Memorial Hospital. He was born June 19, 1927 to George A. and Carrie (Winters) Correll in North Manchester. He was retired from Amtrol, Inc. in Peru and was a World War II U.S. Navy veteran. Gene was survived by a sister, Mary Betty See, Georgia.; several nieces, nephews and great nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Beauford and Fremont Correll; and three sisters, Vonda Trexler, Marjorie Miller and Georgetta Floor Landgrave. Funeral services will take place 11 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 13, at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home with Pastor Jeff Hightower officiating. Friends may call at the funeral home Tuesday from 9 a.m. until the time of the service. Burial will take place at Ever-Rest Memorial Park in Cass County.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, December 13, 2011

Joseph Gene "Joe" Turner, 72, Amboy, passed away at 6:50 a.m. on Sunday, Dec. 11, 2011 at St. Vincent Hospital in Indianapolis. He was born in Peru on Oct. 19, 1939 to Leslie and Ophia (Eckelbarger) Turner, deceased. He married Patsy (McCoy) Turner in 1988 and she survives. Joe was a heart transplant recipient 18 years ago. He was a retired construction worker. Surviving with his wife are his children, Leslie (Judy) Turner, Bremen, Ind.; Laura (Gary) Troyer, of Alba, Texas; Paul (Julie) Ray, Clinton, Utah; Steve Ray, Tenn.; Sandra Ray, of Ky.; Dessie (Rick) Vaughn of Georgia. His is also survived by 12 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers, two sisters, and one grandchild. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 15 at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru, with Les Turner and Paul Ray officiating. Burial will follow at Mississinewa Cemetery in Somerset. Friends may call at the funeral home from 11 a.m. until time of service Thursday. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, December 14, 2011

Richard L. Smith, 75, Macy, passed away at 8:30 a.m., Tuesday, Dec. 13, 2011 at his residence. Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester, Indiana.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, December 16, 2011

Mary C. Wilson, 93, of Peru, passed away at 6:20 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 15, 2011 at Blair Ridge Assisted Living in Peru. She was born in Miami County Aug. 14, 1918 to Charles H. and Gertrude E. (Bowman) Shrock. On Dec. 11, 1938 she married Byron B. Wilson, who preceded her in death on March 9, 2005. Mary held several different secretarial positions in the Miami County Courthouse, and years ago was employed at Peters Drug Store in Peru. Mary was a member of the Parkview United Methodist Church, and a member of the Miami County Historical Society. Survivors include her daughters, Nancy (Slobodan) Pajic, Paris, France, and Patricia (Kenneth) Day of Guilford, Ind.; three grandchildren, Cathy Day and husband Eric Kroczeck, Christy Roy and husband Neil, and Kenneth Scott Day and wife Becca; and two great-grandchildren, Andrew and Matthew. She is also survived by her brother, Joseph Shrock, of California. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, a brother, John Shrock, two sisters, Margaret Hoffman and Madeline Puff. Funeral services will be at 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 17 at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru, with Pastors Steve Fleck, George Dinkel, and Steve Holdzkorn officiating. Friends may call at the funeral home from 1 p.m. until time of service on Saturday. Memorial contributions may be made to Hope Hospice, 1476 W. 18th St., Rochester, IN 46975.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, December 17, 2011

Barbara E.G. Swanson, 78, Leesburg passed away Dec. 15, 2011. A celebration of life will be at 11 a.m. Dec. 19, 2011 at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, Indiana.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, December 17, 2011

William "Bill" Ley Shackelford, 77, of Bunker Hill passed away at 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 15, 2011 at his home. He was born in Russiaville on April 1, 1934 to James E. and Beulah P. (Jones) Shackelford. He married Gerlene (Hatton) Caldwell Shackelford in 2010, and she survives. Bill was retired from Haynes International in Kokomo. He served in the U.S. Navy, and enjoyed traveling, antiques, and engine shows. Survivors include a brother, David Shackelford; sisters Connie Warrens of Ohio, and C. Sue Morris of Bunker Hill. He is also survived by nephews Willie Morris of Bunker Hill, and Todd and Ted Ley of Ohio; nieces Janna Osborne and Peggy Jenkins, both of Ohio. Bill was preceded in death by his parents; and his former wife Marcia Dagnen Shackelford, to whom he was married for 41 years. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, Dec. 19, 2011 at Allen Funeral Home in Bunker Hill, with Pastor Ron Sansen officiating. Burial will follow in Springdale Cemetery, Bunker Hill where a military service will be performed by the Miami County Military Rites team. Friends may call Sunday, 2-5 p.m. at the Allen Funeral Home, 136 S. Elm St., Bunker Hill. Memorials may be made to the Miami County VA Clinic, Peru.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, December 19, 2011

Kristi Gerstorff Warner, 32, died at 12:40 p.m. Nov. 25, 2011 at Lutheran Hospital, Ft. Wayne. Funeral service is at 4 p.m. Wednesday at New Beginnings Christian Fellowship, Kokomo, with Pastor Jeff Russell officiating.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Monday, December 19, 2011

William "Bill" Ray Shackelford, 77, Bunker Hill, died at 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 15, 2011 at his residence. He was born April 1, 1934 in Russiaville, Ind. to James E. and Beulah P. (Jones) Shackelford. He married Gerlene (Hatton) Caldwell Shackelford in 2010, and she survives. He served in the U.S. Navy and retired from Haynes International in Kokomo. Bill enjoyed traveling, antiques and engines shows. He is survived by his nephews, Willie Morris, Bunker Hill, and Todd and Ted Ley, Ohio; his nieces, Janna Osborne and Peggy Jenkins, both of Ohio; a brother, David M. Shackelford; and his sisters, Connie Warrens, Ohio, and C. Sue Morris, Bunker Hill. Bill was preceded in death by his parents and his former wife of 41 years, Marcia Dagnen Shackelford. A funeral service will be 10 a.m. Monday, Dec. 19, 2011 at Allen Funeral Home, 136 S. Elm St., with Pastor Ron Jansen officiating. Burial will be in Springdale Cemetery, Bunker Hill. Visitation was from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the Miami County VA Clinic. Military service will be held by the Miami County Military Rites Team.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, December 20, 2011- Wednesday, December 21, 2011

Shirley I. Ulerick, 81, of Peru, passed away at Dukes Hospital at 5:30 a.m. Dec. 18, 2011. She was born in Erie Township, Miami County May 23, 1930 to John H. and Ada Lee (Minnix) Bailey. She married Lloyd R. Ulerick June 6, 1948, and he survives. Shirley was a homemaker, and a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. Survivors include her sons, Lloyd E. (Sondra) Ulerick of Rochester and Garrell (Elsa) Ulerick of Peru; a daughter, Joleen (Edward) Sroda, Peru; a brother, Dale Bailey of Arizona; and a sister, Ruth Stevens, of Utah. She had nine grandchildren and one great-grandchild. She was preceded in death by her parents and a brother, Leo Bailey. Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 22, 2011 at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 2355 S. Business 31, with Bishop Scott Hupert officiating. Burial will follow at Greenlawn Cemetery, Mexico. Friends may call at the church Thursday from 9 a.m. until time of service. Arrangements are entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, December 20, 2011

Teresa Elizabeth Correll, 42, of Peru, passed away at 9:45 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 18, 2011 at her home. She was born Feb. 24, 1969 in Peru to Terry Lee and Mary Elizabeth Rose Correll. Survivors include her mother, Mary Correll of Peru; grandmother, Rachel Wilburn of Peru; a brother, Terry Lee Correll, Jr. and his wife Maria of Denver; two nephews, Baily Correll of Denver and Brody Correll, Denver; and several aunts, uncles and cousins. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 21 at McClain Funeral Home, Denver, with Pastor Steve Fleck officiating. Burial will follow in Mt. Zion Cemetery, Denver. Visitation will be 4-8 p.m. Tuesday, at the funeral home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, December 21, 2011

Billie Childers, 65, of Peru, passed away at 9:40 a.m., Monday, Dec. 19, 2011 at her residence. She was born Nov. 26, 1946 in Sheridan, W.Va., the daughter of Kenneth and Elva Hale Triplett. She married Killus B. Childers Dec. 26, 1982 and he preceded her in death April 27, 2004. Billie had previously worked at Nixon Newspapers and Miller's Merry Manor Nursing Home. Survivors include a daughter Teresa Kelley of Peru; a son Eugene Murl Snowden of Logansport; a stepson Kenneth Childers and his wife Annie of Logansport; three sisters Barbara Kauffman of Peru, Patty Reeves of Pine Bluff, Ariz., and Debra Roy and her husband Ron of Collinsville, Ill.; two brothers Charles Triplett and his wife Sue of Peru, and Joe Triplett of Wheeling, W.Va.; and two grandchildren Dartagnan Childers and Todd Ryan Kelley. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Killus, a daughter Janet Rogers and a grandson Hunter E. Robbins. A service celebrating the life of Billie Childers will be 11 a.m., Thursday, Dec. 22 at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 W. Main St., Peru, with Pastor Rose

Sorenson officiating. Burial will be in Ever Rest Memorial Park, Logansport. Family and friends will gather from 4-8 p.m. Wednesday at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home. Online Condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, December 21, 2011

Delbert Young, 90, of Rochester passed away Monday, Dec. 29, 2011. A celebration of life will be at 11 a.m. Dec. 23 at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, December 21, 2011

Florence Partridge, 81, Rochester, died Dec. 18, 2011 in Hope, at Millers Merry Manor. A celebration of her life will be at 2 p.m. Dec. 27 at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, December 21, 2011

James Michael Gibson, 48, of Peru passed away at 3:40 p.m. Monday, Dec. 19, 2011 at Caring Hands Health Care Center, Peru. He was born in Maryland June 6, 1963 to Hubert "Hoot" and Judy Gibson. He married Mary Bollman Dec. 15, 1984 and she survives. James was employed with Maconaquah Schools as maintenance supervisor. Survivors include his wife Mary; sons, Matthew James (Kayla) Gibson of Peru and Robert Gibson, also of Peru. He also had a grandson, Koiye Michael Gibson, a brother Rusty Gibson of Evansville, and a sister, Candy Hayes, of Peru. James was preceded in death by his mother and a brother, Joe Gibson. A memorial service will be 5 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 22 at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru, with Steve Bluse officiating. Friends may call Thursday beginning at 3 p.m., until time of service.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, December 21, 2011

Sue Ellen Allen, 55, of Rural Young America, died 2:50 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 20, 2011 at St. Joseph Hospital Emergency Room. She was born Dec. 30, 1955 in St. Joseph County, Ind., the daughter of Paul and Evelyn (Webber) Warwick Jr.. She married Brian Allen March 14, 1992 in Miami, Ind. and he survives. She worked at General Motors since June 2006 and was involved with Smiles Unlimited International where she was known as "Suz-a-bell," Secret Sisters, Feed My Sheep Community Outreach and she attended Judson Baptist Church in Kokomo. Her faith was very important to her and shared the Lord with all who knew her. She was very giving to others. She was very family orientated. She loved her pets, especially her black lab. She also enjoyed cooking, sewing and crafts and enjoyed life. She and her husband Brian shared a very close and loving marriage, there was nothing one wouldn't do for the other. Survivors include husband Brian Allen, of Rural Young America; daughter Emily Allen, of Rural Young America; son Nicholas Allen, Walton; brother Dale and Brenda Warwick, Tenn.; brother Paul and Nikki Warwick, Peru; and mother Evelyn Warwick, Peru. She was also survived by her father-in-law, Joseph Allen of rural Young America and many in-laws, cousins, nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her father, mother-in-law, and her cat "Sunny." Funeral services will be 1 p.m. Friday, Dec. 21 at Murray Weaver Funeral Home in Galveston with Rev. Gary Britton officiating. Burial will be in Young America Cemetery, Young America. There will be no public calling hours. Memorials may be made to Gideon's International. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.murrayweaverfuneralhome.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, December 21, 2011

William "Bill" Gustin, 61, of Peru passed away at 4 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 20, 2011 at his home. He was born in Huntington, on April 17, 1950 to William H. and Ruth (Ice) Gustin, both deceased. On July 27, 1976 he married Linda (Grimes) Gustin, and she survives. Bill was employed with Abe Sposeep and Son as a scrap yard operator. He is survived by his wife Linda, a daughter, Stacy (James) Hill of Deedsville; and grandchildren Chad, James Jr., Brandon, and Kayla. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Friday, Dec. 23 at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru. Burial will follow at Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru. Friends may call from 9 a.m. Friday, until time of service at the funeral home.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, December 24, 2011

Joni Carol (Knapp) Green, 52, a longtime Peru resident, passed away peacefully at her home on Dec. 22 after an extended illness. Joni was born July 27, 1959 in Davenport, Iowa to Patricia and the late Daniel Knapp. She graduated from Belvidere (Ill.) High School in 1977 and attended Illinois State University, where she was on the Dean's List. She married Doug Green on Jan. 19, 1980 at Saint Joseph Catholic Church in Elwood, and together they had five children: Rachel, who lives in Kokomo; Jake, Nick, Jared and Jackie, all of Peru. She also leaves behind five grandchildren in Chase, Jackson, Devon, Kasey and Eli. Joni was a dedicated wife and mother who stressed the importance of family and lived that example every day of her life. She tirelessly supported her husband and children in all they did and was especially a constant fixture around area baseball fields during the spring and summer. A huge sports fan, Joni was dedicated to the Chicago Cubs and Purdue basketball. Baseball was a true love of her life as she enjoyed watching games and listening to them on the radio, as well as attending Cubs games at Wrigley Field. She was also a good athlete, playing softball and golfing with her friends and family at Indian Oaks Golf Course, where she and Doug played in a weekly couples league for several years. She also bowled for close to two decades with her husband in Peru bowling leagues. Joni's Catholic faith was important to her, and was a true cornerstone to her life. She attended Mass at St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church in Peru, where she also taught baptism preparation, headed the First Communion and Confirmation classes, and sponsored couples who were preparing for marriage. Joni's life was one where her faith, selflessness, kindness and dedication to her family and friends will be her greatest legacy. She lived by those qualities, and her brave and dignified final battle against the illness that claimed her life will be an inspiration to those she is leaving behind. Survivors include her husband, her children and grandchildren, as well as her mother, Patricia, of Clermont,

Fla. Other survivors include sisters Vickie Armstrong of Frankton, Karen (Bill) Smith of Elwood and brothers, Mike of Aurora, Ill. and Tim of Atlanta, Ga., 17 nieces and nephews and 24 great-nieces and nephews, in laws Jack and Barbara Green, sisters in law Patti (Tom) Alexander and Donna (Randy) Van Erman and brothers in law Jeff Green and Chris Green. Her father preceded her in death. A Mass of Christian Burial celebrating the life of Joni Green will be held at 10 a.m., Wednesday, Dec. 28, 2011 at the Saint Charles Catholic Church, 58 W. Fifth St., Peru, with the Rev. Francis I. Kilcline III officiating. Burial will be at 12:30 p.m., Wednesday at the St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery, Elwood. Family and friends will gather from 3-5 and 6-9 p.m., Tuesday at the Eikenberry-Eddy Funeral Home, 84 West Main Street, Peru. The Rosary will be recited at 4:30 p.m. and there will be a prayer service at 8:30 p.m., Tuesday, at the funeral home. Memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to St. Charles Catholic Church or to Relay For Life. Online condolences may be made to the family at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, December 27, 2011

Clyde Ray Bowland, 88, of rural Kokomo, Ind., passed away at 1:45 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 25, 2011 at Saint Vincent Hospice in Indianapolis, Ind. He was born in Amboy, Ind. on Nov. 15, 1923 the son of Dr. Charles and Ethel Shrock Bowland. He married Nina Oden on March 20, 1949 at the Amboy United Methodist Church and she survives. He was a U.S. Army Korean War Veteran and a retired Miami County farmer, retiring in 1967. Clyde was a quiet, simple man who loved his family and instilled in them the importance of being a good steward and to love nature. He will be sadly missed. Surviving in addition to his wife of nearly 63 years, Nina, are his children Charles Bowland and his wife Mary Lou of Bunker Hill, Ind. and Paula Givens and her husband Neal of Kokomo, Ind.; two granddaughters, Janeale McKee and her husband Johnny of Indianapolis, Ind. and Jamie Givens and her special friend Dave Lutton of Noblesville, Ind. A service celebrating the life of Clyde Ray Bowland will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 29, 2011 at the Laird-Eddy Funeral Home, 201 N. Main St., Amboy, Ind. with Pastor Bruce Mughmaw officiating. Burial will be in Park Lawn Cemetery, Amboy, Ind. Family and friends will gather from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday at the Laird-Eddy Funeral Home. A lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made through the funeral home to the Amboy United Methodist Church. Online condolences may be left at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Tuesday, December 27, 2011

Esther E. Shipman, 96, Peru, died at Caring Hands in Peru, Sunday Dec. 25, 2011 at 8:30 a.m. Arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, Peru.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, December 28, 2011

Alice Faye Brooks, 95, of Peru, passed away at 2:40 p.m., Monday, Dec. 26, 2011 at Marion General Hospital, Marion. She was born in Rochester, on Jan. 9, 1916, the daughter of James O. and Jessie F. Sowash Kaufman. She married Cecil Stambaugh, and he preceded her in death. Alice then married Walter Brooks, and he also preceded her in death. Alice was a 1934 graduate of Amboy High School and a member of Grace Fellowship in Logansport. Alice is survived by daughters; Shirley Ann Crotts of North Little Rock, Ark., Doris Ramsey and her husband Dale of Peru, Karen Engel and her husband Jerry of Peru; a son James E. Stambaugh and his wife Tess of Kokomo; 13 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren. Alice was preceded in death by her parents, both husbands, a son-in-law, Clayton Crotts, Jr., three brothers, Donald Lenon, Raymond Kaufman and Francis Kaufman. A private graveside service will be at a later date. Burial will be at Park Lawn Cemetery, Amboy. Arrangements have been entrusted to Laird-Eddy Funeral Home, Amboy. Online condolences may be made at www.eddyfuneralhomes.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, December 28, 2011

Dianna Eckelbarger, 67, Peru, passed away at her residence Sunday, Dec. 25, 2011 at 1:30 p.m. Arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru, Ind.

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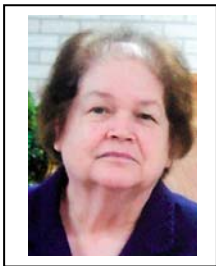
Donald E. Wogoman, 63, Rochester, died at his residence on Monday, Dec. 26, 2011. Arrangements are pending at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, December 28, 2011

James Mitchell (Butch) Martin III, 64, Peru, passed away at his residence at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 25, 2011. Arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru, Ind.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Wednesday, December 28, 2011

Wanda M. Orpurt, 85, of Peru passed away at 8:50 p.m. Monday, Dec. 26, 2011 at Millers Merry Manor in Peru. She was born in Macy Nov. 16, 1926 to Albert and Gladys (Wagoner) Chalk. She was married to Tom Brown, Ivan Osborne, Paul Miller, George Brown, and Joe Orpurt, all of whom preceded her in death. Wanda was retired from Essex Wire, and was a homemaker. She was a member of Macy Christian Church. Survivors include daughters Carol Osborne and Norma Woodward, both of Peru, and a sister, Mary Jo Woods of Rochester. Also surviving are six grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, husbands, a daughter Wanda Brown Sutton, and three brothers, Robert, Leo and Marvin Chalk, and a sister, Bessie Cartwright. Funeral services will be a 1 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 29, 2011 at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third Street, Peru, with Pastor Joyce Brooks officiating. Burial will follow at Mt. Zion Cemetery in Fulton County. Friends may call from 11 a.m. until time of service Thursday, at the funeral home.



Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, December 29, 2011

Dianna Lee (Stout) Eckelbarger, 68, of Peru, died at 1:30 p.m. on Sunday Dec. 25, 2011 at her residence. She had been in the hospital after having stroke and had been released a few days prior to her death. She was born on Sept. 1, 1943 to Charles E. and Anna M. Stout. Dianna graduated from Clay High School in 1961 and was married to Max Dale Eckelbarger on Nov. 5, 1961 by Rev. Luke Martin at the former North Grove Brethren Church. Max currently resides at Miller's Merry Manor in Peru, Indiana. Max and Dianna lived in Peru and owned Buck's Bait, a family business. They purchased Buck's Bait in 1967. Buck's Bait was a successful wholesale and retail business for many years that serviced bait shops all over Indiana. She and her husband for many years planted a large garden, to which she froze

numerous vegetables and fruits and was able to share their fresh produce with many people. She loved to sew and knit and had several sewing and knitting machines. It was very important to her that all the girls in the family had a sewing machine to learn to sew and was able to purchase a machine for each of them. She enjoyed taking long walks and cooking for her husband. She loved her church family at Miami Wesleyan Church where her sister and brother-in-law are Pastors. She is survived by her husband Max Dale Eckelbarger and her four sons, Arman Eckelbarger who is married to Kim residing in Trinity, Florida. They have two children, Brant and Karman. Alan Eckelbarger married to Joyce residing in Logansport, Indiana, who have three children, Anthony married to Shawna Cozzello, Jessica married to Leevi Burnett, and Braxton Eckelbarger. They have three grandchildren, Aspen and Jakin Cozzello and Aiden Burnett. Shawn Eckelbarger married to Wendy residing in Spencerville, Indiana, have one child, Max Eckelbarger. Wyman Eckelbarger married to Georgia residing in Noblesville, Indiana. They have four children, Julia, Rachel, Grace, and Luke Eckelbarger. She is also survived by one daughter, Arlene Burnette married to Calvin residing in Florida who is the mother of two daughters, Erica married to John Ulerick and Shai Lynn Masters. Dianna is survived by four sisters and three brothers, Nora Neal, Charles J. Stout, Marjorie Meyers, Mary Lamb married to Pastor Marvin Lamb, Kay married to Steve McKee, Richard married to Wanda Stout and David married to Connie Stout. Viewing will be held on Saturday, Dec. 31, 2011 from 9 to 11 a.m. at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, Peru, Indiana. Funeral Services will be at the funeral home immediately following the viewing. Officiating the service will be her brother-in-law, Pastor Marvin Lamb of Miami Wesleyan Church. Burial will be at Ever Rest Memorial Park on 8315 Logansport Road, located between Logansport and Peru. Memorial contributions can be made to the Gideon Bible Association or Miami Wesleyan Church, 1820 W. Walnut St., Miami, Indiana.



Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, December 29, 2011

James Mitchell "Butch" Martin III, 64, of Peru, passed away at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 25, 2011 at his residence. He was born March 1, 1947 to James Mitchell Martin II and Cona (Hyde) Martin, both deceased. Butch was retired from Labor Union #274, and was a member of the Wabash VFW and Eagles. Survivors include a son, Kevin Martin of Peru; daughters Angelia (Bruce) Runions of Peru, and Veronica Martin of Texas; brothers Rodney Martin of Huntington, Kenny Martin of Huntington, and Dennis Martin of Peru; sisters Becky McKinney of Peru, and Vickey Watts, also of Peru. He is also survived by six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by both parents, a daughter, Lisa Martin, one grandson, and one brother.

A memorial service will be at 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 31, 2011 at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru. Friends may call from 12 p.m. until time of service, at the funeral home. Memorials may be made in the form of love offerings to the Butch Martin family through the Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home.

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Esther (Confer) Shipman, 96, passed away at 8:30 a.m. Dec. 25, 2011 at Caring Hands in Peru. She was born April 22, 1915 in Miami County to Charles and Eva (Schroll) Confer. They both preceded her in death. Esther married Kenneth W. Shipman of Bremen, Ill. on July 4, 1935 and he preceded her in death on Dec. 28, 1958. She loved the Indianapolis Colts and the Indiana Pacers. Survivors include a son, Kenneth D. Shipman and wife Chen of Peru; son Stephen R. Shipman and wife Mary, Onward; daughter Karen S. Sorrill of Peru; 13 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren, and five great-great grandchildren; also two very good friends and neighbors, Adred and Lexine Hicks. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, two brothers, Herman and Herbert Confer; a sister, Ruby (Confer) Pugh; her daughter, Sheila Gordon; and one grandson, Jeffrey Shipman. There will be no visitation. Graveside services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 31, 2011 at Greenlawn Cemetery, Mexico. Arrangements were entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third Street, Peru.



Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, December 29, 2011

Katherine Margaret Critchfield, 88, died at 9:05 a.m. Friday, Dec. 23, 2011 at Miller's Merry Manor. Arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, Peru.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Thursday, December 29, 2011

Helen D. Isham, 80, Bunker Hill, died at 7:30 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 28, 2011 at Blair Ridge Health Campus. Arrangements are pending at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, Peru.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Friday, December 30, 2011

Phyllis A. Dillman, 82, passed away at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne on Saturday, December 24, 2011. She was born in Fort Wayne. She worked at Yoder Kitchens in Nappanee and Indianapolis for six years, before moving on to Leisure Time Products of Nappanee for 12 years. Phyllis then worked for Nob Sales Corporation several years, retiring in 1999. She was a member of the Mentone United Methodist Church, and American Legion Post #425 Auxiliary in Mentone. Surviving are her daughters, Theresa R. Caryer of Paulding, Ohio and Karen S. Hoover of Leipsic, Ohio; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren; brothers, Jack V. Dillman of Columbia City, Richard D. Dillman of Belton, Texas; sisters, Donnagene M. Dillman of Fort Wayne, and Carol F. See of Deedsville. Phyllis was preceded in death by her parents, Walter E. and Charlotte Dillman. There will be no services. Memorials may be made to the Asthma Foundation or Arthritis Foundation. Arrangements are entrusted to D.O. McComb and Sons Pine Valley Park Funeral Home. To sign the online guest book, visit www.mccombandsons.com.

Peru Tribune, The (IN) - Saturday, December 31, 2011

Helen Dagnen Isham, 80, of Bunker Hill, went to be with the Lord and her heavenly family at 7:30 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 28, 2011 at Blair Ridge Health Campus, Peru. She was born in Peru to Louis and Ruby (Hiers) Dagnen, June 8, 1931. She married John Robert Isham July 8, 1956 in Peru, and he preceded her in death on July 25, 2002. Helen retired from Western Illinois University in Macomb, Ill. where she worked as an accountant. She enjoyed spending time with her family, reading, quilting, playing games on her computer, and watching television. Survivors include her daughter, Debra Stanavech; a grandson, AJ Stanavech and wife Valerie, Chesapeake, Va.; her son, Mark Isham and wife Lisa, Newport, N.C.; three sisters-in-law, Patricia Dagnen of Logansport, Susan Roush of Marseilles, Ill., and Nancy Cole of Colchester, Ill.; and many nieces, nephews and great-nieces and nephews. Helen was preceded in death by her husband and Parents; a sister, Marcia Shackleford; brothers Junior, Kenneth, Edward and John Dagnen; and nephew, Kerry Dagnen. Funeral services will be held at graveside at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 3, 2012 at Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru with the Reverend Bob Clark officiating. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to the Pipe Creek Volunteer Fire Department, Bunker Hill, Ind. Arrangements were entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 W. Third St., Peru.