Herman Kiehl, Feb. 21, 1912 - Jan. 1, 2009

Former Grayville resident Herman Kiehl, 96, of Milford, MI, died Thursday, Jan. 1, 2009. Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Monday, Jan. 5, 2009, at Milford United Methodist Church with the Rev. Gregg Mayberry officiating. Burial was in Milford Memorial Cemetery. He was born Feb. 21, 1912, in Grayville, the son of William and Julia (Metzger) Kiehl. He was a 1930 graduate of Grayville High School. On Aug. 12, 1939, he married Margaret Szaal, and she preceded him in death on May 17, 2002. He was a retired automotive tool and die maker.

Survivors include four children, Mary Ann Kiehl, Kenneth Kiehl, Elizabeth (Anthony) Barnaby and William (Janet) Kiehl; five grandchildren; nieces; nephews; and many extended family members and friends. Local survivors include Thomas and Cynthia Kiehl of Grayville. Preceding him in death were his parents, William and Julia Kiehl; wife, Margaret; three brothers, Raymond, Ralph, and William; and three sisters, Isabel Kiehl, Wilma Ramsey, and Margaret Griggs. Arrangements were handled by Lynch Funeral Directors of Milford.

Anna Geraldine "Gerry" Lewis, May 5, 1912 - Jan. 9, 2009

Anna Geraldine "Gerry" Lewis, 96, of Grayville, died Friday, Jan. 9, 2009, at Meadowood Nursing Home in Grayville. Funeral services were held Monday, Jan. 12, 2009, at First United Methodist Church in Grayville. Burial was in Oak Grove Cemetery in Grayville. She was born May 5, 1912, in Grayville, the daughter of John Franklin and Nellie (Wise) George. She was married to William Lewis and he preceded her in death. She was a retired seamstress, member of the United Methodist Church in Grayville, and was active in the Grayville Senior Citizens.

Survivors include her son, Kent Lewis and his wife, Marilyn, of Louisville, IL; two grandchildren, Ann Lewis Mills and her husband, Tracy, of Evansville, IN, and Mark Lewis and his wife, Amy, of Greencastle, IN; three great grandchildren, Jordan Lewis, Tyler Lewis, and Jacob Lewis, all of Greencastle; and two step-great-grandchildren, Tyler Mills and Tara Mills, of Evansville. Preceding her in death are her parents; brothers, Norman and Cyril George; sister, Naomi George Bryant; half-brothers, Bill, George, and Paul Hawkins; and half-sister, Lillibert Hawkins Talbert. Memorials may be made to either the Grayville United Methodist Church or the Grayville Senior Citizens and will be accepted at Cook Funeral Chapel.

Faye B. Wells, Apr. 10, 1917 - Jan. 13, 2009

Faye B. Wells, 91, formerly of Grayville, died Tuesday, Jan. 13, 2009, at St. Joseph's Hospital in Breese, IL. Funeral services were held Saturday, Jan. 17, 2009, at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville. Burial was in Oak Grove Cemetery in Grayville. She was born Apr. 10, 1917, in Calvin, the daughter of Frank and Jessie (Bond) Hanks. She was married to Home Wells, and he preceded her in death. Faye was a homemaker and member of the New Baden Missionary Baptist Church in New Baden, IL. She enjoyed cross stitching, quilting, and traveling.

Survivors include her daughter, Fredia Gross of New Baden; brother, Frank Hanks, of Watervliet, MI; two sisters, Mary Byford of Huntsville, AL, and Vivian Rizzo of Boynton Beach, FL; three grandchildren, Terresa Gross, of Nashville, IL, Michael Gross and Mark Gross, both of New Baden; and two great-grandchildren, Cody and Brady Gross. She is preceded in death by her parents, Frank and Jessie Hanks; husband, Home Wells; son, Dwain Wells; and sister,

Fredia Hanks. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society and will be accepted at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville.

Constance "Pat" Perry, Aug. 18, 1925 - Jan. 21, 2009

Constance "Pat" Perry, 83, of West Salem passes away at 1:43 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 21, 2009, at the Good Samaritan Hospital in Vincennes, IN. Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 24 at Ingram Funeral Home in West Salem, with burial in the Oak Grove Cemetery in Grayville. Visitation was from 9 a.m. until time of service on Saturday at the funeral home. She was born in Parkersburg, WV, Aug. 18, 1925, the daughter of William and Lucille (Miller) Franklin. She married LD Perry in January 1944, in Henderson, KY, and he preceded her in death on May 30, 1981. She retired from Champion labs in West Salem and was also a housewife. She was a member of Olney Eagles and American Legion Auxiliary.

Survivors include four daughters, Connie (Sherman) Tarpley of Naples, FL, Georgia Bullock and Donna (Jimmy) Thomas, both of Grayville, and Glenna (Quinn) Hunley of West Salem; four sons, Charles (Marilyn) Perry of West Salem, Larry (Sharon) Perry and Robert (Linda) Perry, both of Grayville, and Bennie Perry of Greeley, CO; one step-daughter, Linda Walburn, of Fayetteville, NC; one sister, Jackie Naegle of Tucson, AR; 21 grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren; four great-great-grandchildren; several step-grandchildren; and best friend, her car "Domino". She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; one son, James; two daughters, Judith Ann and Kathy; one step-daughter, Shirley; one son-in-law, Arthur Pixley and three sisters. Memorials may be made to the St. Jude Hospital. Condolences may be made online.

Besse K. Elliot, Mar. 18, 1964 - Jan. 26, 2009

Besse K. Elliot, 44, of Albion passed away Monday, Jan. 26, 2009, at 9:35 p.m. at Wabash General Hospital in Mt. Carmel. A memorial service was held on Monday, Feb. 2, at 2 p.m. at Rest Haven Manor in Albion. She was born on Mar. 18, 1964, in Fairfield, the daughter of Luther and Joyce (Gerardi) Jones. She married Steve Elliott [sic], Sr., on Dec. 20, 1981, in Albion, and he survives. She was a nurse's aide at Rest Haven Nursing Home in Albion for many years.

Survivors include her husband, Steve, of Albion; one son, Tony (Lisa) Jones of Auburn; one sister, Lois Jones of Evansville, IN; and two brothers, Luther Leroy (Della) Jones of Evansville, IN, and Jesse (Jennifer) Jones of Mt. Carmel. She was preceded in death by her parents; one son, Steven "Curly" Elliott, Jr.; and one sister, Julia Coston. Memorials may be made to her family.

Paul M. Groff, Aug. 2, 1918 - Jan. 26, 2009

Paul M. Groff, 90, died in Detroit, MI, on Jan. 26, 2009, from "too many birthdays", as he was known to say. A private memorial will be held in his hometown, Grayville, in the spring. He was born in Grayville in 1918, son of Dan F. and Mary Williams Groff. He married the late Marcella Ankley-Snover in 1944. He served in the Army Air Corps during WWII.

He is the father of Michael and Martie Groff of Tolland, CT, Chris and Jeff Crockett of Ann Arbor, MI, Nancy Garza of San Diego, CA, Mary and John McClary of Orchard Lake, MI, Becky and Neil Riedel of La Mesa, CA, Dee and Mike Martinez of Royal Oak, MI, and Julie and Steve

Porter of La Mesa, CA. His sister, Margaret Spencer, of Grayville, and a brother, Gene Groff, of Norman, OK, also survives, as do 18 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren. His siblings Harold D. Groff, Helen Groff Sager, and Jerry A. Groff predeceased him.

Curtis G. "Gene" Meritt, Aug. 18, 1931 - Feb. 5, 2009

Curtis G. "Gene" Meritt, 77, of Carmi, died Thursday, Feb. 5, 2009, at Deaconess Hospital in Evansville, IN. Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Monday, Feb. 9, 2009, at Cook Funeral Chapel in Carmi. Burial with military rites was in Oak Grove Cemetery in Grayville. He was born Aug. 18, 1931, near Mill Shoals, the son of Curtis and Dora (Jamerson) Meritt. He married Dorothy J. Frye on Jan. 25, 1952, and she preceded him in death on Dec. 12, 2008. He was an oilfield mechanic. He was a member of the First Christian Church in Carmi where he served as a Deacon for many years. He was an avid gardener, a US Army veteran, and member of the VFW.

Survivors include two daughters and sons-in-law, Debbie and Jim Hall, and Kathy and Jim Whetstone, all of Carmi; four brothers and their wives, Jim and Dot Meritt of Fairfield, Ferrell and Nancy Meritt of Vermillion, KS, Darrell and Nancy Meritt of Fairfield, Ken and Carolyn Meritt of Denver, CO; a sister, Fannie Duvall of Fairfield; a brother-in-law, Earl "Bud" Ewing of Fairfield; two grandsons, Brian Hall of Carmi and Matt Whetstone of Evansville. Preceding Gene in death are his parents, Curtis and Dora Meritt; his wife, Dorothy J. Meritt; two daughters, Sharon and Karen Meritt; three brothers, Clarence, Dale, and Richard Meritt; and two sisters, Essie Solazar and Delta Ewing. Memorials may be made to the First Christian Church Audio/Visual ministry and will be accepted at Cook Funeral Chapel.

David E. Koons, May 1, 1946 - Feb. 6, 2009

David E. Koons, 62, of Grayville, died suddenly Friday, Feb. 6, 2009, at his home. His remains were cremated and a visitation will be 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. today, Wednesday, Feb. 11, 2009, at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville. He was born May 1, 1946, in Tennessee, the son of Bernice Koons and Jean (Stevens) Parker. He was married to Anna R. (Cowles) Koons, and she survives. He was a retired factory worker.

Survivors include his wife, Anna Koons; two sons, Robert Koons and David Miller; seven daughters, Leslie Koons, Lynette Koons, Darlene Koons, June Pierce, Wilma Wheatley, Mary Smith, and Carolyn Higginbotham; three brothers, Mike Koons, Henry Parker, and Billy Evansv; four sisters, Paula Parker, Shirley Siria, Betty Parker, and Joyce Parker; and numerous grandchildren. Preceding him in death are his mother, Jean Parker, and a daughter, Leona Koons.

Merita V. Schmittler, Aug. 23, 1937 - Feb. 11, 2009

Merita V. Schmittler, 71, of Grayville, died suddenly Wednesday, Feb. 11, 2009, at Wabash General Hospital in Mt. Carmel. Her remains were cremated. A visitation and memorial service were held Monday, Feb. 16, 2009, at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville. Burial was in Oak Grove Cemetery in Grayville. She was born Aug. 23, 1937, in Borger, TX, the daughter of Joe B. and Gladys G. (Coats) Carrell. She was married to Richard Lee Schmittler and he preceded her in death on Dec. 22, 2001. She was a homemaker and a member of the First Christian Church in Grayville.

Survivors include five sons, Bryan Lee Schmittler of Crossville, David Eugene Schmittler of Mt. Carmel, Richard Neal Schmittler, Steven Scott Schmittler, and Billy Gene Schmittler, all of Grayville; 16 grandchildren, Caleb, Carly, Hans, Dallas, Dielle, Sean, Holly, Shane, Caitlin, Braxton, Alisa, Cassandra, Kelsey, Noah, Seth, and Steven; and one great-grandchild, Astin. She is preceded in death by her parents, Joe and Gladys Carrell; three brothers, Bud, Billy, and Bob Carrell; and a sister, Margaret Carrell.

Eleanor W. Mason Ridenour, June 14, 1914 - Feb. 12, 2009

Eleanor W. Mason Ridenour, 94, of Grayville, died Thursday, Feb. 12, 2009, at the Charles Ford Memorial Home in New Harmony, IN, where she was a resident. Funeral services were Saturday, Feb. 14, 2009, at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville. Burial was in Oak Grove Cemetery in Grayville. She was born June 14, 1914, in Grayville, the daughter of Robert L. and Edith (Hall) Williams. She was a Grayville resident her entire life. She was married to Paul "Lug" Mason and he preceded her in death. She later married Thomas W. Ridenour, and he too preceded her in death. She was a lifelong member of the First Christian Church in Grayville, and was baptized into the church in 1925 at the age of 11 years.

Survivors include her son and daughter-in-law, John and Gloria Ridenour; three grandchildren, Eric, Sheri, and Michelle Ridenour, all of Flagler Beach, FL; two nieces, Patricia Gosh and her husband, Lawrence, of New Harmony, and Betty Stevens of Grayville; a grand-niece, Gennie Browning; and one great niece and great nephew, all of Grayville; nephews, Terry Williams and his wife, Donna, of Lake Quvina, KS, and Bob Williams of Colorado, Bob McWorthy and his wife, Linda, of Burbank, CA; and niece, Paula Wojasinkski and her husband and two sons of Sadieville, KY. Preceding her in death are her parents, Robert and Edith Williams; husbands, Paul Mason and Thomas Ridenour; a sister, Louise Williams McWorthy; and two brothers, Allison and Edwin Williams. Memorials may be made to the Charles Ford Memorial Home and will be accepted at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville. Friends unable to attend may leave condolence on line at patgosh@aol.com.

Jerry Wayne Lingafelter, Mar. 30, 1935 - Feb. 16, 2009

Jerry Wayne Lingafelter, 73, of Jackson, MO, formerly of Grayville, died from a long battle with leukemia, Monday, Feb. 16, 2009, at his home. Visitation is 5 to 7 p.m. today, Wednesday, Feb. 18, 2009, at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville. Funeral is at 10 a.m., Thursday, Feb. 19, 2009, at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville. Burial with military rites will be in Oak Grove Cemetery in Grayville. He was born Mar. 30, 1935, in Crawford County, IL, the son of Clyde and C. Vera (Downy) Lingafelter. On Jan. 30, 1960, he married Betty J. Switzer and she survives. He was a retired contract specialist for the US Department of Energy, A US Army veteran, and an avid woodworker.

Survivors include his wife, Betty Lingafelter of Jackson; a son, Greg Lingafelter of Jackson; a daughter, Karen Lingafelter of Memphis, TN; two brothers, Rick Lingafelter and his wife, Janice, of Minooka, and Jack Lingafelter; three sisters, Elizabeth Wood of Grayville, Carolyn Turner of West Frankfort, and Patricia Elwell and her husband, Frank, of Claremore, OK. Preceding her in death are his parents, Clyde and C. Vera Lingafelter; two daughters, Denise and Tina Lingafelter; and four brothers, Gene, James, Bill, and Michael Lingafelter. Memorials

may be made to the Grayville Senior Citizens or the Southeast Missouri Hospice Foundation Cancer Center and will be accepted at Cook Funeral Chapel.

Mary Louisa Spencer, Nov. 14, 1920 - Mar. 6, 2009

Mary Louisa Spencer, 88, of Grayville, died Friday, Mar. 6, 2009, at Meadowood Nursing Home in Grayville. Funeral services were Monday, Mar. 9, 2009, at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville. Burial was in Oak Grove Cemetery in Grayville. She was born Nov. 14, 1920, in Grayville, the daughter of Ernest Martin Franklin Pritchett and Eda (Schmittler) Pritchett. She was married to Darrel V. Spencer on July 3, 1938, and he preceded her in death on Jan. 16, 1989. She was a member of the First Christian Church in Grayville, and the Royal Neighbors. She was very active in the Grayville Senior Citizens meals program, and enjoyed crocheting, reading, baby-sitting, and spending time with her family.

Survivors include a foster son, Doyle Cullison and his wife, Merry, of Crossville, IL; five daughters, Joyce Ann Bertram of Grayville, Judy Karole Danek and her husband, Pete, of Mundelein, IL, Janet Mae Woolever and her husband, Roy, of Grayville, Darla Jean Wilson and her husband, Mike, of Albion, IL, Terri J. Garman and her husband, Chuck, of Crossville; 12 grandchildren, Sheri Stockton, Angela Tarman, Kari Huddlestun, Karla Berek, Nikki Danek, David Wilson, Jacelyn Pierson, Scott Wilson, Byron Cullison, Brent Cullison, Elbert Cullison, and Joy Cullison; and several great-grandchildren. Preceding her in death are her parents, Ernest and Eda Pritchett; husband, Darrel V. Spencer; sister, Carolyn Spencer; and son-in-law, Barry Bertram. Memorials may be made to the Grayville Senior Citizens or the Grayville First Christian Church and will be accepted at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville.

Margaret A. Nesler, Jan. 16, 1951 - Mar. 3, 2009

Margaret A. Nesler, 58, of Grayville, died Tuesday, Mar. 3, 2009, at Wabash General Hospital in Mt. Carmel. Visitation was 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Mar. 5, 2009, at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville. Funeral services were at 10 a.m. Friday, Mar. 6, 2009, at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville. Burial was in Oak Grove Cemetery in Grayville. She was born Jan. 16, 1951, in Hamilton, Bermuda, the daughter of Richard and Muriel (Bernard) Lines. On June 23, 1972, she married Ronald J. Nesler and he survives. She was a kitchen worker at Meadowood Nursing Home in Grayville, and member of the First Christian Church in Grayville. She enjoyed watching NASCAR racing and being with her grandchildren.

Survivors include her husband, Ronald Nesler of Grayville; two sons, Jamie Nesler and his wife, Destiny, of Grayville, Adam Nesler and his fiance, Jamie, of Crossville; three brothers, Frank Lines, Genie Lines, and Bertie Lines and his wife, Patricia; a sister, Jane Davies and her husband, Rob, all of Bermuda; four grandchildren, Devin Ray Nesler, Rhiannon Brynn Nesler, Brayden James Nesler, and Dafney Ray-Ann Winebarger. Preceding Margaret in death are her parents, Richard and Muriel Lines. Memorials may be made to the Ridge Church building fund.

Ralph Delmar Goldman, Nov. 3, 1926 - Mar. 16, 2009

Ralph Delmar Goldman, 82, of Grayville, died Monday, Mar. 16, 2009, at Wabash General Hospital in Mt. Carmel. Graveside services with military rites will be at 10 a.m. today, Wednesday, Mar. 18, 2009, at Oak Grove Cemetery in Grayville. Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville is in charge of arrangements. He was born Nov. 3, 1926, in Griffin, IN, the son of Ivan and Ecie (Funkhouser) Goldman. He was a truck driver, and lifetime member of the VFW in Mt. Vernon, IL. He served in the United States Navy during WWII and the Korean War.

Survivors include a son, Ralph, Jr.; two daughters, Susan and Cheryl; a brother, Robert; and three sisters, Helen Smith, Wilma Horton, and Mary Jane Harvey. He is preceded in death by his parents, Ivan and Ecie Goldman; wife, Sarah Goldman; and sister, Frances Alldredge.

Mary Jeanette "Maynette" Alcorn, Aug. 14, 1923 - Mar. 12, 2009

Mary Jeanette "Maynette" Alcorn died Thursday, Mar. 12, 2009, just a few city blocks from where she was born on Aug. 14, 1923, the daughter of Guy and Catherine Johnson Jarboe. On July 20, 1947, she married Ralph Alcorn with whom she owned and operated Walter Oil Tool Co. and with whom she enjoyed a full, rich life cruising the Wabash and traveling the world. A lifelong resident of Grayville, she was involved in many community activities, the Wabash Valley Bridge Club, the American Diabetes Association, and the Grayville Presbyterian Church where she served as organist for over 30 years. A kind and gentle woman, she devoted her life to her family and friends, but she was, nevertheless, a formidable foe at the Bridge table.

Survivors include two sons and daughter-in-law, Michael Alcorn of Henderson, NV, and Tim and Becki Alcorn of Grayville; two sisters and a brother-in-law, Becky Groff of Breese and Rose and Allen Maruyama of Denver, CO; a close nephew and his wife, Jim and Andi Groff of New Baden; a granddaughter and husband, Tami and Tony Farrill, and a great grandson, Elih Tani-Farrill, all of Evansville, IN. Services were held at the Cook Funeral Home on Sunday, Mar. 15, 2009, with the Reverends Douglas Rorex and Jeff Haley officiating, Jane Rorex organist. Pallbearers were Tom Johnson, Phil Keepes, Jay Walden, Tad Taylor, Ronald Sullivan, and Greg Hanisch.

Norma L. Williams, Jan. 16, 1930 - Mar. 17, 2009

Norma L. Williams, 79, of Carmi, formerly of Grayville, died Tuesday, Mar. 17, 2009, at St. Mary's Medical Center in Evansville, IN. Funeral services were held Friday, Mar. 20, 2009, at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville. Burial was in Old Union Cemetery near Grayville. She was born Jan. 16, 1930, in Robinson, the daughter of Raleigh Theodore and Minnie (Osborn) Miller. She married Donald E. Williams on Jan. 16, 1948, and he survives. She was a homemaker, member of the 30 Club, and member of the Northside Baptist Church in Grayville. She was devoted to her family.

Survivors include her husband, Donald E. Williams, of Carmi; four sons and two daughters-in-law, Steve and Patty Williams of Carmi, Ted Williams of Grayville, Rusty and Kay Williams of Grayville, Rick Williams of Carmi; three daughters and their husbands, Karen and Jim Pollard of Grayville, Becky and Wayne Parrish of Carmi, and SHaron and Terry McCorkle of Cowling; two brothers and their wives, Dean and Joyce Miller of Robinson, and Wane and Marge Miller of Palestine; 13 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild. Preceding Norma in death are her parents, Raleigh and Minnie Miller;

a son, David Williams; two brothers, Bill and Dick Miller; two grandchildren, Amy Lynn Williams and Tonya Lee Williams; and a great-grandchild, Leanna Annalease Jackson. Memorials may be made to the Northside Baptist Church or the American Heart Association and will be accepted at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville which is in charge of all arrangements.

Marcella M. Dobbs, Aug. 3, 1917 - Mar. 26, 2009

Marcella M. Dobbs, 91, of Grayville, died Thursday, Mar. 26, 2009, at Wabash Christian Retirement Center in Carmi. Funeral services were held Saturday, Mar. 28, 2009, at the Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville with Michael Brands officiating. Naomi Nash was the pianist and pallbearers were Jim Thompson, Tim Kiefr, Tim Gholson, Mike Cash, Tom Millar, Danny Points, and Bob Kinsall. Burial was in Oak Grove Cemetery in Grayville.

She was born Aug. 3, 1917, in Grayville, the daughter of William Wesley and Daphne (Kingsbury) Schaich. In her earlier years, she worked as a switchboard operator and was an employee of The People's National Bank and Superior Oil Company. She was co-owner of Central Supply Company with her husband of more than 66 years, Percy Dobbs, who survives. She was a member of the First Christian Church in Grayville for 79 years where she taught Sunday school and helped with Vacation Bible School. For more than 35 years, she and Percy wintered in Vero Beach, FL. Cooking, collecting antiques, and shopping were some of here favorite pastimes.

Survivors include her husband, Percy Dobbs of Grayville; two daughters and their husbands, Pam and Gary Fulford and Marty and Bruce McCall, all of Monticello, FL; two grandchildren, Sarah and Beth McCall of Orlando, FL; two step-grandchildren, Stephen Fulford of Monticello, FL, and Stephanie Gault of Clinton, MS; four step-great grandchildren, Natalie and Nina Gault of Clinton, MS, and Esther and Gannett Fulford, all of Monticello, FL. Preceding Marcella in death are her parents, William and Daphne Schaich; and three sisters, Virginia Schaich, Elinor Schaich, and Marjorie Kercher.

Bobby Dale Munsey, Mar. 19, 1933 - Mar. 23, 2009

Bobby Dale Munsey, 76, of Grayville, died Monday, Mar. 23, 2009, at Banner Gateway Medical Center in Gilbert, AR. Funeral services were held Saturday, Mar. 28, 2009, at the Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville with Michael Brands officiating. Recorded music included "Amazing Grace," "Believe", and "Wind Beneath My Wings." Casketbearers were David Munsey, Craig Munsey, Bobby Munsey, Jr., Greg Hanisch, Michael Munsey, and David Hanisch. Honorary Casketbearers were Dr. Lester Yoos, Max Chapin, Kent Huff, Jack Stults, Charles Siegert, Tim Dutko, David Broster, Byrom Ward, and Bob Burrows. Military rites were performed by a VFW and American Legion color guard. Burial was in Antioch Cemetery near Cowling.

He was born Mar. 19, 1933, in Emma, the son of Frank and Lea (McFarland) Munsey. He was married to Norma (Schuh) Munsey and she preceded him in death on Mar. 23, 1993. He later married Barbara Paschal and she survives. He was a retired oil pipeline supervisor. He was a US Army Korean War Veteran and recipient of the Purple Heart. He was a member of the First Christian Church in Grayville, and was very active in the Grayville community with memberships in many organizations including lifetime memberships in the VFW (past

commander), and the American Legion. He belonged to the Carmi County Club, Eagles, Elks, Moose, and Lions Club (past president). He served on the Grayville City Council for 12 years, and was a recipient of the Grayville Citizen of the Year Award. Playing golf was one of his favorite activities.

Survivors include his wife, Barbara Munsey of Grayville; two sons and daughters-in-law, Bobby Dale Munsey, Jr., and his wife, Connie, of Henderson, KY, and David Lee Munsey and his wife, Marie, of Crosby, TX; two step-sons, Greg Hanisch and his wife, Chris, of Carmi, and David Hanisch of Garland, TX; a daughter, Nancy Jordan, of Grayville; a brother, Leon Munsey and his wife, Sandy, of Grayville; two grandchildren, Michael Munsey and Kimberly Munsey; three step-grandchildren, Tyler Hanisch, Cassie Hanisch, and Harli Hanisch; and two great grandchildren, Travis Munsey and Bobby Dale Munsey. He is preceded in death by his parents, Frank and Lea Munsey; his first wife, Norma Munsey; two brothers, Kenneth Munsey and Lames [sic] Munsey; one sister, Frances Munsey; and son-in-law, Steve Jordan. Memorials may be made to Smile On Down Syndrome and will be accepted at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville.

Thurman Thompson, Nov. 9, 1929 - Apr. 5, 2009

Thurman Thompson, 79, of Grayville, died Sunday, Apr. 5, 2009, at New Harmonie Healthcare in New Harmony, IN. Funeral services were scheduled for 11 a.m. today, Wednesday, Apr. 8, 2009, at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville. Burial will be in Oak Grove Cemetery in Grayville. He was born Nov. 9, 1929, in McLeansboro, the son of Charles and Melinda (Ballard) Thompson. He was married to Louise (Phelps) Thompson and she preceded him in death in 1997. He was retired from Ashland Oil Company where he worked for many years as a gauger. He was very active in the Moose Lodge and was a past governor and holder of the Fellowship Degree of Merit.

Survivors include four sons and three daughters-in-law, Darrel and Kathy THompson of Owensville, IN, Leon and Linda Thompson of Robinson, Randy Thompson of Albion, Kenny and Kathy Thompson of Grayville; a daughter and son-in-law, Kay and Bob Lewallen of Marmaduke, AR; seven grandchildren, Darrel Thompson, II, Lucas Thompson, Travis Thompson, Sky Thompson, Bobby D. Lewallen, Ronnie Thompson, and Kera Thompson; and six great-grandchildren, Drew, Dathan, Delany, Cade, Abigail, and Isaac Thompson. He is preceded in death by his parents, Charles and Melinda Thompson; wife, Louise Thompson; great-grandson, Noah Thompson; one brother, Truman Thompson; three half-brothers, John VanWinkle, Harley VanWinkle, and Julius Thompson; five half-sisters, Veda Thompson, Maggie Flanigan, Plumadell Short, Sarah Ellen Thomas, and Lucille Eubanks.

Tammy Marie Hoffman, Jan. 12, 1964 - Apr. 4, 2009

Tammy Marie Hoffman, 45, of Westville died at 9:10 a.m. Saturday, Apr. 4, 2009, at Methodist Hospital in Indianapolis, IN. A celebration of Tammy's life will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, Apr. 9, 2009, at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville. Burial will be at Oak Grove Cemetery. Michael Brands will officiate. Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Apr. 7, 2009, at Sunset-Urbas Funeral Chapel in Westville and from 12 to 2 p.m. Thursday, Apr. 9, 2009, at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.sunsetfuneralhome.com. She was born on Jan. 12, 1964 in Carmi, the daughter of Robert E. and Betty A. Holland

Leathers. She married David A. Hoffman on Sept. 20, 1986, in Grayville, and he survives. She worked as a child care provider at Roselawn before opening a daycare at her home. She loved working with children. She worked with the Westville and Saints Youth Football programs, the Westville youth wrestling and she enjoyed teaching the Westville Tigerettes. Camping and being with her family were favorite activities.

Survivors include her husband David A. Hoffman of Westville; parents, Robert and Betty Leathers of Danville; a son, Matthew A. Hoffman; and a daughter, Shaley N. Hoffman, both of Westville; one brother, Terry (Donalea) Leathers; and three nephews, Tyler, Joshua, and Dakota Leathers, all of Pontiac, IL. She was preceded in death by her grandparents, Robert E. Sr. and Lena N. Leathers, and John M. and Marjorie M. Holland.

Camilla Fern Clark, June 8, 1916 - Apr. 19, 2009

Camilla Fern Clark, 92, of Longview, TX, died on Apr. 19, 2009. Graveside services will be 11 a.m. Saturday at Oak Grove Cemetery in Grayville. Interment will follow in Oak Grove Cemetery. Cook Funeral Chapel is in charge of local arrangements. A native of Phillips Township, she was born June 8, 1916, and had been in Longview since 1995. She was a member of Oakland Heights Baptist Church, Longview, former member of Grayville First Baptist Church and was a homemaker.

Mrs. Clark was preceded in death by her husband of 61 years, Alva, and is survived by a daughter, Joyce Lingafelter of Carlin, NV; grandson, James A. Lingafelter and wife, Karen, of Longview; granddaughters, Rebecca Valdez and husband, Chuck, of WInnemucca, NV, and Kimberly Riley and husband, Bill, of Spring Creek, NV; brother, Ron Sullivan and wife Darlene, of Olney; six great grandchildren; and five great-great grandchildren. The family request memorials to Baptist Children's Home, Residential Care, 949 CR 1300 N, Carmi, IL 62821. A memorial guestbook may be signed online at 222.raderfh.com.

Jennifer Groff Sheppard, Nov. 15, 1963 - Apr. 16, 2009

Jennifer Groff Sheppard, 45, of Aurora, CO, died Thursday, Apr. 16, 2009, at her home. Funeral service is at 2 p.m. Sunday, Apr. 26, 2009, at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville. There will be no prior visitation. Burial will be in Oak Grove Cemetery in Grayville. She was born Nov. 15, 1963, in Wooster, OH, the daughter of Gene Francis Groff and Ruth Ann (Stein) Groff. She was a secretary and an avid animal lover and advocate.

Survivors include her father, Gene Francis Groff and his wife, Ann, of Norman, OK, and her mother, Ruth Ann Groff, of Centennial, CO; a brother, Bradley Gene Groff and his wife, Mindy Pasmore, of Ft. Lupton, CO; grandparents, Alvin and Faire Stein of Crossville, and Dan and Mary Groff of Grayville and Plant City, FL; an aunt, Janet Pampe and her husband, Dick, of Powell, WY; great-aunt, Margaret Spencer of Grayville; and a niece and nephew, Cortney Ann Groff and Samuel Gene Groff.

Donald Gene Bellamey, Jan. 13, 1934 - May 14, 2009

Donald Gene Bellamey, 75, of St. Charles, MO, formerly of Grayville, died May 14, 2009, at St. Charles, MO. Funeral service was held Monday, May 18 at 11 a.. At Buchholz Math Hermann Mortuary (Mid Rivers Mall Dr.) in St. Peters, MO, with burial in Oak Grove Cemetery. Visitation

was Monday, May 18 from 10 a.m. until time of service. He was born Jan. 13, 1934, in Grayville, the son of Edward and Lydia Bellamey. He married Faye Bellamey. Donald was a journeyman in the auto industry.

He was the father of one son, Randy Bellamey, of La Mirada, CA; two daughters, Donna Ryals and Jean Wadlow, both of St. Peters, MO; nine grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren. Don was the brother to James Bellamey of Indianapolis, IN, and Robert Bellamey and Ellen Strassman of St. Louis, MO.

Mildred L. Cowling, Mar. 26, 1912 - May 20, 2009

Mildred L. Cowling, formerly of Grayville, died Wednesday, May 20, 2009, at her home in the Meadowood Retirement Community in Bloomington, IN. Mildred was born Mar. 26, 1912, in Albion, to Dan and Rozzie McKibbin Skinner. She graduated Phi Beta Kappa from the University of IL in 1934 as a chemistry major with her name inscribed on the Bronze Tablet for high scholarship. She was a member of the Phi Mu sorority during her college years, the Delta Theta Tau social sorority, the 20th Century Club and Evening Women's Club while living in Albion and Grayville. She was first a member of the First Methodist Church in Albion, and later a member of the First United Methodist Church in Grayville. Mildred married Laurence Cowling in 1934 and they had 47 years of happy and loving companionship. She was a loving and encouraging wife, mother and grandmother, and her family always referred to her as Mil, Mother Mil or Grandma Mil. She played the piano well and enjoyed music throughout her life. Mil had an adventurous spirit and loved to travel, explore new places and meet new people.

Mil leaves behind her son, David H. Cowling and wife, Mary Ellen, of Ruston, LA; daughter, Jane C. Otten and husband, Werner, of Bloomington; grandsons, Nathan Potter of Corvallis Oregon and Dan Potter and wife, Heidi, of Providence, Rhode Island; granddaughters, Lisa Cowling Tschirhart and husband, Scott, of San Antonio, TX, Michelle Cowling Kopfer and husband, Terry, of Frisco, TX, and Anne Cowling Apperson and husband, Christopher, of Lewisville, TX. She also leaves behind a great grandson, Jaeger Tschirhart. Other survivors include her sister, Dorothea Hayman and husband, William, of Mt. Vernon, IL; three nieces and several great nieces and nephews. Mildred was preceded in death by her parents and her husband, Laurence Cowling. Celebration of Life Services will be held for Mildred on Wednesday, May 27, at 2 p.m. at the Terrace Room in the Meadowood retirement center in Bloomington, IN, and on Saturday, May 30 at 2 p.m. with visitation one hour before the service at the First Methodist Church in Grayville. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations be made in Mil's name to the Community Kitchen in Bloomington, or to the First Methodist Church in Grayville. Allen Funeral Home 4155 S Old Highway 37 is in charge of arrangements.

Eldon M. Preston, Jan. 6, 1920 - Aug. 4, 2009

Eldon M. Preston, 89, recently of St. Charles, formerly of OK, died Tuesday, Aug. 4, 2009, at Provena Pineview Care Center in St. Charles. He was born Jan. 6, 1920, in Yale, OK, the son of Frederick and Velda (Dutton) Preston. Funeral services were held Saturday morning at Cook Funeral Home in Grayville. Burial with military rites was in Oak Grove Cemetery. He served in the United States Army in both WWII and in the Korean Conflict. Mr. Preston worked for many years as a gauger with the Toronto Pipeline and later he was employed by the United States

Postal Service, retiring in 1980. He was an avid gardener and enjoying cooking the bounty from his garden. He also derived great satisfaction from hymns and country music.

Mr. Preston is survived by his wife of 61 years, Mary Phyllis; his daughters, Margaret “Peggy” (Tom) Watrobka, and Marilyn (Jules) Heinemann, both of St. Charles; his grandchildren, Megan (Alexis) Foreman, Jeff (Leslie) Watrobka, Mike Watrobka, Matt and Drew Heinemann and his great granddaughter, Lily Foreman. He was preceded in death by their son, Joel Preston. Contributions in Mr. Preston’s memory may be made to the Disabled American Veterans, PO Box 14301, Cincinnati, OH 45250 or to the Salvation Army Tri-City Corps, PO Box 3939, St. Charles, IL 60174.

Bernita J. Campbell, May 27, 1945 - Aug. 7, 2009

Bernita J. Campbell, 64, of Grayville, died Friday, Aug. 7, 2009, at Deaconess Gateway Hospital in Evansville, IN. Funeral services were held Monday, Aug. 10 at the Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville, with burial in Oak Grove Cemetery in Grayville. She was born May 27, 1945, in Evansville, the daughter of Bernard and Juanita (Weirauch) Sturm. On July 10, 1971, she married Dennis Campbell in St. Charles, MO. She was a Registered Nurse in IL and MO and was part-owner of the Sturm Funeral Homes at Grayville and Crossville. She was a member of the Grayville First United Methodist Church, Royal Neighbors, Women of the Moose and several nurses’ associations.

Surviving include her husband, Dennis; one daughter, Andi Campbell of Grayville; her father, Bernard R. Sturm of Grayville; one sister, Rita Pawly of Eddyville, KY; a niece, Jeannette Schwartz of St. Peters, MO; and two great-nephews, Zachary Will and Aiden Schwartz. She is preceded in death by her mother, Juanita Sturm. Memorial donations may be made to Cancer Care Options, a local charity that aids individuals who are unable to afford their cancer treatment expenses, or to any other charity of one’s choice.

Alynna Faith Pierson, June 30, 2009 - July 31, 2009

Alynna Faith Pierson, infant daughter of Matthew and Jacelyn (Wilson) Pierson, of Evansville, IN, died Friday, July 31, 2009, at Riley Hospital for Children in Indianapolis, IN, where she was born June 30, 2009. Visitation and funeral service were held Monday, Aug. 3, 2009, at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville. Burial was in Oak Grove Cemetery in Grayville.

Survivors include her parents, Matthew and Jacelyn Pierson, of Evansville; grandparents, Mike and Darla Wilson, of Albion, Ken and Jan Pierson of Shelbyville; great-grandparents, Betty Pierson of Carmi, Lucy Fuehne of Bartelso; uncles, David Wilson, Scott Wilson and his wife, Gretchen, all of Denver, CO, Daryl Pierson and his wife, Brittany, of Belleville. She is preceded in death by her great-grandparents, Bob Pierson, Alfred Fuehne, Mary and DV Spencer, and Delmar and Emma Lee Wilson. Memorials may be made to the Ronald McDonald House and will be accepted at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville.

Hazel Theo Lamont, Feb. 24, 1912 - July 28, 2009

Hazel Theo Lamont, 97, of Grayville, died Tuesday, July 28, 2009, at Meadowood Nursing Home in Grayville. Visitation is 5 to 7 p.m., Thursday, July 30, 2009, at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville. Funeral services are at 10 a.m., Friday, July 31, 2009, at Cook Funeral Chapel in

Grayville with burial in Oak Grove Cemetery in Grayville. She was born Feb. 24, 1912, in Albion, the daughter of William and Amy (Crawford) Baker. For over 73 years, she was married to Sherril Lamont and he survives. Hazel was a homemaker and member of the Brown's Chapel Methodist Church near Grayville for over 85 years. For more than 50 years, she was a member of the Eastern Star, and the White County Home Extension of which she was a charter member. She was a member of the Brown's Chapel Society of Christian Service. Hazel was an animal lover and especially enjoyed her many cats, dogs, and horses.

Survivors include a sister-in-law, Edna Faye Davis and her husband, Henry, of Grayville; several nieces and nephews, Dean and Barbara Baker of Grayville; Kenny and Marge Baker of Shawneetown, Linda and Steve Clay of Evansville, IN, Sonia and Jerry Woodall of Lexington, KY, Rick and Betty Dykes of Louisville, KY, Rick and Sandy Davis of Grayville, Bob and Hazel Wagner of Rochelle, Judy Kezios of Lombard, William and Karen Baker of Oswego, and Larry Baker of Atlanta, GA. She is preceded in death by her parents, William and Amy Baker; three brothers, Melvin, Wilbur, and Ivan Baker; and a half-brother, Bobby Baker. Memorials may be made to Brown's Chapel Methodist Church or Visiting Nurse Association and will be accepted at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville.

Barney Wayne "Bud" Parks, Sept. 26, 1917 - June 30, 2009

Barney Wane "Bud" Parks, 91, of Grayville, IL, died Tuesday, June 30, 2009, at Deaconess Hospital in Evansville, IN. He was born Sept. 26, 1917, in Rusky County, TX, the son of WIlliam Calvin and Lorene Amazon (McHanney) Parks. He was married to Dorothy (Morton) Parks and she preceded him in death on Apr. 17, 1998. Bud was owner of BW Parks Well Service and a partner in Parks and York Drilling Company. He was a member of the Northside Baptist Church in Grayville, and a charter member of the Grayville MooseClub.

Survivors include seven grandchildren, Robert (Donna) O'Daniel of Grayville, Dana (Kevin) Mills of Newburgh, IN, Brandi Wolf of Grayville, Billy (Ann) York of Evansville, Fawnda (Marvin) Wineberger of Grayville, Mark (Christy) York of Mt. Carmel, IL, and JaVan (Bradley) Cook of Mt. Carmel; 14 great-grandchildren, Beau, Kody, Dionna, Zac, Nic, Marshall, Heath, Alex, Dallas, Mason, Mitchell, Koltin, Taya, and Morgan; three great-great-grandchildren, Daphne, Jon, and Harli; a sister, Marion Foshee of Altus, OK; two nephews, Gary Procells and David Tate; and a niece, Bobbi Bass. He is preceded by his parents, William and Lorene Parks; his wife, Dorothy Parks; two daughters, Dianna Jo York, who died in 1995, and Donita Adell Parks who died in 2004; a great-great-grandchild, Tanner York; and eight brothers and sisters. Visitation and funeral services will be Friday, July 3, 2009, at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville. Visitation is 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., with funeral service at 1 p.m. Burial will be in Oak Grove Cemetery in Grayville. Memorials may be made to the Grayville Senior Citizens and will be accepted at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville.

Charlotte A. Alldredge, Oct. 6, 1942 - June 23, 2009

Charlotte A. Alldredge, 66, of Grayville, died Tuesday, June 23, 2009, at her home after a long battle with cancer. Visitation is 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday, June 25, 2009, at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville. Funeral is at 10 a.m. Friday, June 26, 2009, at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville with burial in Oak Grove Cemetery in Grayville. She was born Oct. 6, 1942, in Grayville, the daughter of Charles and Lillian (Berg) Whorley. She was married to Alan A. Alldredge on Dec. 20, 1968,

and he survives. She was a member of the Grayville First Baptist Church and the Moose Lodge. She enjoyed sewing and keeping a clean house.

Survivors include her husband, Alan Alldredge of Grayville; three sons, Dell Driggers and his wife, Tammy, Jack Driggers, and Chad Alldredge and his wife, JaJa; a daughter, Dena Driggers, all of Grayville; five grandchildren, Jacy Driggers, Katy Driggers, Colton Alldredge, Jacque Alldredge, and Bryce Pool; and two great-grandchildren, Tyzae Rowland and Jayla Rowland. She is preceded in death by her parents, Charles and Lillian Whorley. Memorials may be made to the Grayville First Baptist Church and will be accepted at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville.

Wayne J. Knight, Oct. 30, 1931 - Aug. 11, 2009

Wayne J. Knight, 77, Crossville, died at 10:10 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 11, 2009, at Hamilton Memorial Hospital in McLeansboro. Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at Stewart Street Baptist Church in Carmi with Bro. Phil Mitchell officiating. Burial was in Centerville Cemetery north of Carmi. Campbell Funeral Home in Carmi with Bro. Phil Mitchell officiating. Burial was in Centerville Cemetery north of Carmi. Campbell Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. He was born Oct. 30, 1931, in Grayville, the son of Royal T. and Mary Rebecca “Polly” (Landingham) Knight. He married Gwendolyn Warren on Apr. 28, 1956, and she preceded him in death on May 27, 2003. He was a US Army veteran and served in a medic unit during the Korean Conflict. He was a retired oilfield pumper and a member of Stewart Street Baptist Church.

Surviving are one daughter and son-in-law, Melody and Chris Kisner, of Carmi; two sons and a daughter-in-law, Stanley and Patty Knight of San Leandro, CA, and Kenneth Knight of Crossville; three sisters, Wilma Woodrow, Betty Michels, and Mary Venita Jones, all of Grayville; six brothers and sisters-in-law, Ronald “Easy” Knight of Phillipstown, Royal and Eva Knight of Alabama, Loyal and Gayella Knight, and Bertis Knight, all of Carmi, Vertis Knight of Grayville, and Carrel and Judy Knight of Albion; six grandchildren, April Stephens, Kaylie Goff, Kelsey Kisner, Wayne James Knight, Justin Jones, and Lucas Jones; and three great-grandchildren, Chance Grein, Charlotte and Katelyn Stephens. He was preceded in death by two sisters, Ladonna Crackle and Viola Hawkins; and one brother, Ed Knight.

Marie Bain Taylor, Apr. 3, 1929 - Aug. 22, 2009

Marie Bain Taylor, 80, of Grayville, died Saturday, Aug. 22, 2009, at Wabash General Hospital in Mt. Carmel. Funeral services were held Tuesday morning at the Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville. Burial was in Oak Grove Cemetery in Grayville. She was born Apr. 3, 1929, in Nina, AR, the daughter of Clarence Ingram and Bertha (Kaemper) Bain. On Nov. 6, 1949, she married Glen H. Taylor and he preceded her in death on Feb. 21, 1995. She was a member of the First Christian Church in Grayville, the Eastern Star, Grayville Birthday Club, the Evening Women’s Club, and was a volunteer for Meals on Wheels. Marie was the City Clerk for the city of Grayville for many years. Her work career also included the Mercury-Independent newspaper, Kasha Industries, and the Wabash Regional Planning Commission.

Survivors include two sons and a daughter-in-law, Tom (AB) Taylor of Irving, TX, Bob Taylor of Fort Myers, FL; a daughter and son-in-law, Glenda (Terry) Onyett of Germantown, WI; a sister

and brother-in-law, Estaleda Bertha (Kenneth) Griffith of Fairfield; four grandchildren, Brend (Kendra) Taylor, Sara (Mike) Ulrey, Matt (Krystal) Taylor, all of Salem, and Jacenda Onyett of Mt. Carmel; seven great-grandchildren, Charlee Taylor, Jaq Taylor, Seth Ulrey, Emma Ulrey, Cheyenne Taylor, Michael Taylor, and McKenzie Taylor. She is preceded in death by her parents, Clarence and Bertha Bain; husband, Glen Taylor; and three brothers, Terrence, Kemper, and Norvin Bain. Memorials may be made to the Grayville Senior Citizens Meals on Wheels and will be accepted at Cook Funeral Chapel.

Harry Gray Browne, Nov. 5, 1929 - Aug. 28, 2009

Dr. Harry Gray Browne, MD, died on Aug. 28, 2009, in Sparks, NV. A memorial mass will be held Monday, Sept. 7th at 10 a.m. at Holy Cross Catholic Church in Sparks, NV. A funeral mass will be held Saturday, Sept. 12th at 9 a.m. at St. Mary Catholic Church in Evansville, IN, followed by burial service at the Gray Family Cemetery in Grayville. A memorial mass will be held Fri., Oct. 2 at 11:15 a.m. at Our Lady of the Most Holy Trinity Chapel, Thomas Aquinas College in Santa Paula, CA.

Dr. Browne was born in Los Angeles, CA, on Nov. 5, 1929. He attended high school at The Hotchkiss School in Lakeville, CT. He graduated from Yale University in 1950 and Cornell University Medical College in 1956. He then pursued four years of post-graduate training in pathology at New York Hospital. He served active military duty as director of the Department of Parasitology at the United States Naval Medical Research Unit #3 in Cairo, Egypt, where he conducted field research in the Nile Delta. In 1964, he and his family moved to Nashville, Tn, where he was an assistant professor at Vanderbilt University Medical School. Dr. Browne co-founded International Clinical Laboratories, and Therapeutic Antibodies. In 1981, he moved to Diablo, CA, and then to Reno, NV, in 1988. During his college years, he worked a summer in the engineering office of the family owned Blackfoot Coal and Land Corporation in Southwestern Indiana. In 1991, he began to share his business expertise as a director and then vice-president of the Gray family partnerships, Gray Farms, Inc., and Locust Street Company, Inc. He is preceded in death by his parents, Francis E. Browne, MD and Margaret Gray Browne; his sister, Jane Jordan Browne Petersen; brother, John Douglas Bowne; and son, John Douglas Browne II.

He is survived by his wife, Jean K. Browne of Reno, NV; his children, Susan B. Robinson of Kelseyville, CA, Linda B. Snook of Santa Cruz, CA, Jennifer T. Browne of Monterey, CA, Katherine B. Marsden of El Cerrito, CA, and Harry T. Browne of Madison, WI; and two brothers, Allen Gray Browne of Las Vegas, NV, and Lawrence W. Browne, MD, of Newport Beach, CA. He is also survived by 10 grandchildren. Contributions may be made to Thomas Aquinas College, 10000 N Ojai Rd, Santa Paula, CA 93060.

Delta Mae Horste, July 18, 1909 - Sept. 15, 2009

Former Grayville resident Detla Mae Horste, 100, of Altamont, died Tuesday, Sept. 15, 2009, at Lutheran Care Center in Altamont. Visitation and funeral services are Saturday, Sept. 19, 2009, at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville. Visitation is at 9 a.m. and continues until funeral time at 10 a.m. Burial will be in Oak Grove Cemetery in Grayville. She was born July 18, 1909, in Grayville, IL, the daughter of Thomas and Inis (Butsch) Knight. On Aug. 27, 1930, she married Henry Ralph Horste and he preceded her in death on Jan. 29, 1989. She was a member of the United

Methodist Church in Grayville and past member of the Eastern Star. She was co-owner of Horste Market, a retail mainstay in Grayville for many years.

Survivors include one son, Barry Horste of Altamont; seven grandchildren; ten great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild. She is preceded in death by her parents, Thomas and Inis Knight; two sons, Phillip Horste and Thomas Horste; and a grandson, Aaron Horste.

Marvin E. Bailey, Jr., Oct. 23, 1961 - Sept. 16, 2009

Marvin E. Bailey, Jr., 47, of Mt. Carmel, died Wednesday, Sept. 16, 2009, at his home. He was born Oct. 23, 1961, in Cook County, IL, the son of Bill and Phyllis (Goodwin) Rhodes of Grayville. He married Diania Pinkstaff on Aug. 30, 1996, in Mt. Carmel, she survives. Marvin was a member of the First Christian Church in Mt. Carmel. He was the owner of Camo Trucking and an avid hunter and deer slayer.

He is survived by his parents; spouse; children, Robin Collins of Mt. Carmel, Marvin Bailey III, and extended family, Heather Harms and Brittany and Brianna Hoffman of Mt. Carmel; step-children, Bree Paris and extended family, John Thomas Ruiz and Kayden Ruiz of Scott Air Force Base, and Jordan Paris of Lawrenceville; grandchildren of Allison, Alexia, and Aiden Collins of Mt. Carmel; brothers, Tim Bailey of Grayville and Russell (Lisa) Wilson of Grayville, Billy Joe (Tammy) Rhodes of Eldorado; sister, Trisha Anne Bailey of Carmi; and numerous nieces and nephews. Preceding him in death were his grandparents, Edwin Lee Goodwin and Catherine and Sterling Jay Ponder. Funeral services will be Saturday Sept. 19, 2009, at 2 p.m. in the chapel of Short Funeral Home with burial in Oak Grove Cemetery, Grayville. Friends may call from 5 to 8 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 18, 2009, at Short Funeral Home in Mt. Carmel. Memorial contributions may be made to Diania Bailey, in care of Wabash Savings Bank to help with expenses. Condolences may be made online at 222.short-cunninghamfh.com.

Norma L. Young, Mar. 25, 1940 - Oct. 4, 2009

Norma L. Young, 69, formerly of rural Grayville, died Sunday, Oct. 4, 2009, at Gentle Care Rehabilitation Center in Vincennes, IN. Visitation is 5 to 8 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 7, 2009, at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville. Funeral is at 10 a.m., Thursday, Oct. 8, 2009, at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville with burial in Oak Grove Cemetery in Grayville. She was born Mar. 25, 1940, in Carmi, IL, the daughter of Martin and Elizabeth (Raglin) Russell. She was married to Arnold Young, and he preceded her in death on Dec. 10, 2005. She was a homemaker and farm wife. She attended the Liberty Baptist Church in Burnt Prairie, and the Christ Community Church in Vincennes. She was a member of the Eastern Star, Home Extension, and the VFW WOmen's Auxiliary. Some of her favorite pastimes were cooking, crafts, gardening, quilting, music, and searching for bargains.

Survivors include a son and daughter-in-law, Jeff and Jannette Young, of Grayville; two daughters and a son-in-law, Sherry Talbot of Louisville, KY, and Renee and Ron Fellows of Vincennes, IN; eight grandchildren, Kassie Lowe, Cody Fellows, Sara Young, Kayla Young, Ashley Young, Melody Young, Adrien Talbot, and Erica Talbot; and a brother and sister-in-law, Larry Allen Russel and his wife, Ginger, of Dayton, TX. She is preceded in death by her parents

and husband. Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association and will be accepted at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville.

Carolyn Bunting, Feb. 19, 1932 - Oct. 13, 2009

Carolyn Bunting, 77, of Grayville, died Tuesday, Oct. 13, 2009, at her home. Visitation is 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 15, 2009, at First Christian Church in Grayville. Funeral is at 10 a.m., Friday, Oct. 16, 2009, at First Christian Church in Grayville. Burial will be in Oak Grove Cemetery in Grayville. She was born Feb. 19, 1932, in Salt Lake City, UT, the daughter of Alpha William and Helen (Goy) Lewis. She was married to Carrol Wayne Bunting on June 10, 1956, and he preceded her in death on Mar. 25, 1991. Carolyn was a homemaker and member of the First Christian Church in Grayville. She enjoyed scrapbooking, sewing, and knitting. She was a former member of the Women's Club of Grayville, the Pythian Sisters, and was an active supporter of the Grayville Senior Citizens.

Survivors include two sons and daughters-in-law, Steven Wayne (Kelly Kay) Bunting of Fairfield; Tracy Carl (Angie) Bunting of Grayville; a daughter and son-in-law, Cheryl (Rick) Feltner of Lakeview, MN; two brothers and a sister-in-law, Doug (Ann) Lewis, and Jerry Lewis, all of Salt Lake City; a sister and brother-in-law, Jackie (Ron) Nielsen of Salt Lake City; four grandchildren, Jade Bunting, Dustin Bunting, Ricky Feltner, Skylar Feltner; four step-grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren, Jailyn, Lexus, Chase, Aylia, Hunter, Gracie, and Morgan. Preceding her in death are her parents, Alpha and Helen Lewis; and husband, Carrol Wayne Bunting. Memorials may be made to the Grayville Senior Citizens Center and will be accepted at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville, who is in charge of all arrangements.

Keith L. Ginther, Jan. 31, 1932 - Oct. 7, 2009

Keith L. Ginter, 77, Bone Gap, died at 3:26 p.m. on Oct. 7, 2009, in Olney, IL. Graveside services were held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 10, 2009, at Graceland Cemetery, the Pastor John Bogle officiating. Keith was born Jan. 31, 1932, in Albion, the son of Noble and Lola Wright Ginter. He married Carolyn Ginther on Oct. 1, 1952, in Indiana. He was a carpenter and painter, and an Army veteran.

Survivors include his wife, Carolyn Ginter, of Bone Gap; two sons, Jerry (Brenda) Ginterh of Danvers, IL, and David (Debra) Ginther of Herron, IL; one daughter, Susan (Kevin) Melcom of Olney; 12 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, seven brothers, and one sister. Nale's Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. Memorials may be made to Disabled American Veterans.

Sandra Gail Wilson, Aug. 9, 1949 - Oct. 26, 2009

Sandra Gail Wilson, 60, of Connellsville, PA, formerly of Grayville, died Monday, Oct. 26, 2009, in Excela Health Frick Hospital, Mt. Pleasant, PA. Family and friends will be received Saturday from 1 to 2 p.m., the hour of a memorial service, celebrating the life of Sandra, in the Brooks Funeral Home, 111 E. Green St., Connellsville, 15425, with Rev. Kenny Summers officiating. She was born Aug. 9, 1949, in Lawton, OK, a daughter of the late Wade and Helen Wylie Drumgoole. She was a graduate of Grayville High School and had been a resident of Connellsville for the last two years. She was the former director of social services at the Woodmont Health Campus in Boonville, IN.

Sandra is survived by her fiancee, Robert DeWitt of Connellsville; her sons, Wes Wilson of Tampa, FL, and Josh Wilson and wife, Nicole, of Connellsville; her grandchildren, Ethan, Aidan, and Madeleine Wilson; a brother, Wade Drumgoole; and a sister, Bonnie Griesmer, both of Texas. To sign the online guest registry, please visit www.brooksfuneralhomes.com.

Garnet Irene Stern, Jan. 31, 1915 - Oct. 27, 2009

Garnet Irene Stern, 94, of Grayville, IL, dies Tuesday, Oct. 27, 2009, at Meadowood Nursing Home in Grayville. Visitation and funeral services is Thursday, Oct. 29, 2009, at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville. Visitation is at 10 a.m. and continues until funeral time at 12 noon. Burial will be in Antioch Cemetery near Cowling. She was born Jan. 31, 1915, in Knox County, IN, the daughter of Thomas and Blanche (Powers) Nolen. She married Jerome Stern on Aug. 11, 1932, and he preceded her in death on Oct. 9, 1979. Mrs. Stern was a retired nurse's aide and member of the Cornerstone Baptist Church in Grayville. She was very active in the Grayville Senior Citizens and enjoyed talking to friends o[n] the telephone and watching CNN on TV.

Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Norma and Ray Schuh, of Henderson, KY; two sisters, Lorene Schoenheit, and Nonia Henson and her husband, Ray, all of Grayville; four grandchildren, Rick Schuh and his wife, Darlene, of Sebree, KY, Corey Schuh, Sonia Smith and her husband, Mike, all of Henderson, Scott Stern of San Antonio, TX; two great-grandchildren, Kevin and Ryan; three step-great-grandchildren, Jennifer, Wayne, and Nathan; and five great-great-grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her parents, Thomas and Blanche Nolen; husband, Jerome Stern; two sons, Gene and Gerald Stern; daughter, Loretta Stern; and two sisters, Gertrude Funkhouser and Pauline Norsworthy.

Elmer C. "Dude" Goldsmith, Dec. 13, 1925 - Nov. 5, 2009

Elmer C. "Dude" Goldsmith, 83, of Owensboro, KY, died Thursday, Nov. 5, 2009, at his home. Memorial services are at 11 a.m. on Monday, Nov. 9, 2009, at the Chapel of James H. Davis Funeral Home & Crematory in Owensboro. Visitation is from 10 to 11 a.m. on Monday at James H. Davis Funeral Home & Crematory. He was born Dec. 13, 1925, in Grayville, to the late Elmer Clarence and Mable Goldsmith. He retired after 45 years of employment with Ashland Oil Pipeline Department, where he was a Control Room Operator. He was of the Catholic faith and was a Navy veteran of WWII. He had been a Cubs fan since 1934.

He was preceded in death by four sisters, Mabel Spann, Raydell Siebert, Gladys Skinner, and Beatrice Stroughmatt; and three brothers, Othel, Weldon, and Tavern Goldsmith. He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Reba Goldsmith; two daughters, Robin Lynn (Ronnie) Pullen of Owensboro and SHeri Rae Phelps of Owensboro; five grandchildren, Amber (Kenny) Duke, Chelsie (Jeff) Clark, Lucas Ross, Jacob Schrecker, Lyndsey (Jonathan) Hagan; three great-grandchildren, Cameron Duke, Nolan Duke, and Gavin Hagan; by a sister, Lydia Harvey of Grayville; and several nieces and nephews. Online messages of condolence may be made at www.davisfuneralhome.com.

Lucy Lou Reed Wilson, Mar. 21, 1926 - Nov. 8, 2009

Mrs. Lucy Lou Reed Wilson, age 83 of Brentwood, TN, formerly of Grayville, died Nov. 8, 2009, in Brentwood, TN. Memorial services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 28, 2009, at

the First United Methodist Church in Grayville with Rev. Doug Rorex and Rev. Michael Lafkin officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service at the church. She grew up in Owensville, IN, and was the daughter of the late Jesse C. and Esther O. Eubank Reed. She was a member of First United Methodist Church of Grayville for 55 years. She was active with the United Methodist Women; member of the Friendship Quilters Guild and the GCAA, and was the former manager of the Windsor Oaks Best Western motel in Grayville.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 55 years, Dr. Clyde W. Wilson, DDS; and a sister, Jessie Burke. She is survived by a son, Stephen (Kristen) Wilson of Chicago; daughters, Nancy (Don) Garrison of Franklin, TN, and Ann (Ted) Tolen of Mt. Juliet, TN; a sister, Sylvia Walker of Champaign; and grandchildren, Lean and Reed Wilson, David (Erica) Garrison, Any and Joey Garrison, Abby (Luke) Eitnier, and Alli and Katie Tolen. Memorials may be made to the Grayville Library Boosters, Grayville, IL 62844. Williamson Memorial Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Shirley A. Munsen, Oct. 29, 1942 - Nov. 13, 2009

Shirley A. Munsen, 67, of Grayville, died Friday, Nov. 13, 2009, at Wabash General Hospital in Mt. Carmel, IL. Visitation and funeral will be Wednesday, Nov. 18, 2009, at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville. Visitation is at 10 a.m. and continues until funeral time at 11 a.m. Burial will be at a later date in Oak Grove Cemetery in Grayville. She was born Oct. 29, 1942, in Omaha, NE, the daughter of Nelie P. and Margaret R. (Patclan) Carland. She was married to Earl Munsen and he preceded her in death. She was a retired nurse. She attended Grayville Church of God, was an avid fisherman, enjoyed watching TV and movies, and being with her friends and loving cat “Baby”.

There are no immediate survivors. She will be missed by her special friends, David and Vickie Smith, and family, Deloris Elder and family, and Kimmie Downs, all of Grayville. Memorials may be made to the Grayville Library Fund or the Grayville Senior Citizens and will be accepted at Cook Funeral Chapel.

Edwin Herbert Ashcraft, Feb. 9, 1911 - Nov. 19, 2009

Edwin Herbert Ashcraft, 98, of Grayville, died Thursday, Nov. 19, 2009, at the home of his daughter in Albion. Visitation was 5 to 8 p.m., Monday, Nov. 23, 2009, at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville. Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, Nov. 24, 2009, at the Grayville Church of Christ. Burial will be in Oak Grove Cemetery in Grayville. He was born Feb. 9, 1911, in Malta, IL, the son of Charles Chester Ashcraft and Helena H. (Hooper) Ashcraft. He was married to Florence Eleanor Pearson on Mar. 6, 1939, and she preceded him in death on Aug. 9, 1999. He retired from Mead-Johnson in Evansville, IN, where he was a production worker. During his retirement, he ran a small engine repair business. He enjoyed playing the accordion and being with his family.

Survivors include three sons, Charles Ashcraft and his wife, Gerri, of Wentzville, MO, Chester Ashcraft and his wife, Sharon, and Robert Ashcraft, all of Wichita, KS; four daughters and their husbands, Lena and Bob Shelton of Grayville, Anna and Chuck Baxter of Albion, Jeanne and Jack Thread of Mt. Carmel, and Nona and Leo Woods of Albion; daughter-in-law, Peggy Ashcraft of Elmore, AL; 33 grandchildren; 58 great-grandchildren; and five

great-great-grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his parents, Charles and Helena Ashcraft; wife, Florence Ashcraft; six brothers, Harold, Dean, Cliff, Art, Robert, and Hollis Ashcraft; three sisters, Grace Litterst, Nona Bottlemy, and Inez McCall; and two grandchildren, Nason Paul Ashcraft and Teresa Marie Lupo.

Robert Jack Hagedorn, July 12, 1919 - Nov. 21, 2009

Robert Jack Hagedorn, 90, of Grayville, died Saturday, Nov. 21, 2009, at Wabash General Hospital in Mt. Carmel. Visitation is 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 24, 2009, at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville. Funeral is at 10 a.m., Wednesday, Nov. 25, 2009, at the First United Methodist Church in Grayville. Burial with military rites will be in Oak Grove Cemetery in Grayville. He was born July 12, 1919, in Sandoval, the son of Frank and Minnie (Newman) Hagedorn. He was married to Mary Louise Cummings on Feb. 21, 1941, and she preceded him in death on Feb. 17, 2006. He was a retired corrosion engineer for Sohio Pipeline Company, a WWII Army veteran and member of the First Methodist Church in Grayville. He was the most successful political figure in Grayville history, having been elected mayor six times and serving part of another term for a total of 26 years in the city's highest office. He was a member of the American Legion, Elks Club, Lions Club, Shriners, and Masonic Lodge. As a member of the Moose Lodge, he was one of fewer than 200 members of the Moose from throughout four nations to earn the Pilgrim Degree of Merit, its highest honor. He was the second member of Grayville Moose Lodge 1960 to achieve the honor.

Survivors include his son, David Hagedorn and his wife, Sharon, of Lake of the Ozarks, MO; his daughter, Kaye Breining, of Ionia, MI; two brothers, Dale Hagedorn, of Houston, TX, and Fred Hagedorn of Richland, WA; a sister, Margaret Roberts, of Longview, TX; and numerous nieces and nephews. Memorials may be made to the Grayville First United Methodist Church and will be accepted at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville.

Betty A. Walker, Aug. 16, 1926 - Nov. 29, 2009

Betty A. Walker, 83, of Browns, died at Lawrenceville, IL, on Sunday, Nov. 29, 2009. She was born Aug. 16, 1926, to Grant and Edith (Johnson) Mode in Grayville. She married Albert "Ab" Walker on June 20, 1945. A celebration of Betty's life will be held Saturday, Dec. 5, 2009, at Ingram Funeral Home in Albion at 11 a.m. Visitation will be at Ingram's from 9 to 11 a.m., preceding the services. Burial will be in Oak Grove Cemetery in Grayville, IL. Betty took special pride in her family. She was a partner with Albert in their farming operation. She was a junior and Senior High Youth Leader and a Sunday School teacher at Fortney United Methodist Church, where she was a member. Betty was a leader of the Sunshine 4H Club for 14 years.

Survivors include: daughters, Jane Gines and Joy (Bill) Sherman, both of Springfield, IL; son, Jim (Marlene) of Albion; grandchildren, Kristy (Jeff) Watret, Josiah Sherman, Samuel (Trish) Sherman Pfeiffer, Josh (Rana) Walker, and Mallory (Alan) Traxler; great-grandchildren, Alex and Andrew Watret, Walter Sherman-Pfeiffer, and Nastia and Mykah Walker; and sister-in-law, Margaret Althauser of Hubert, NC. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Albert in Nov. 2003; and a grandson, Benjamin Walker. Memorials may be made to the Edwards County Senior Citizens or the United Methodist Village Activity Department in Lawrenceville. Condolences may be made online at www.ingramfh.net.

Samuel F. Broster, Aug. 29, 1930 - Dec. 14, 2009

Samuel F. Broster, 79, of Grayville, died Monday, Dec. 14, 2009, at his home. Visitation is 5 to 8 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 16, 2009, at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville. Funeral is at 10 a.m., Thursday, Dec. 17, 2009, at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville. Burial will be in Oak Grove Cemetery in Grayville. He was born Aug. 29, 1930, in Grayville, the son of Grant and Leila (Fieber) Broster. He was married to Juanita Ann Whisenand and she survives. He was a prominent Grayville businessman and farmer. He was a member of the Grayville United Methodist Church and he served for many years as the Chairman of the Board of Peoples Bank in Grayville. He was an active member of the Lions Club, Moose Lodge, Elks Club, and served on numerous boards in the White, Edwards, and Wabash County areas.

Survivors include his wife, Juanita of Grayville; a daughter and son-in-law, Sharon and Jay Walden of Grayville; a brother, Don Broster and his wife, Marilyn, of Grayville; and two niece and five nephews, Phyllis Hilliard and her husband, Carroll, Joe Siegert and his wife, Toby, John Siegert, and Jane Iles and her husband, Gary, Stephen Broster of Evansville, IN, Thomas and Sheryl Broster of Lexington, KY, and David Broster of Albion. He is preceded in death by his parents, Grant and Leila Broster; his son, Scott Broster; his sister, Laura Mae Siegert, and her husband, Bill Neal Siegert. Memorials may be made to the Grayville Scholarship Fund and will be accepted at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville.

Vivian Eileen Askins, Sept. 24, 1920 - Dec. 14, 2009

Vivian Eileen Askins, 89, formerly of Grayville, died Monday, Dec. 14, 2009, at Sun City Center Hospice House in Sun City, FL. Funeral services were held Saturday, Dec. 19, 2009, at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville. Burial was in Oak Grove Cemetery in Grayville. She was born Sept. 24, 1920, in Grayville, the daughter of Denzel and Bessie Mae (Williams) Taylor. She was married to Lynn D. Askins, and he preceded her in death in 1998. She was a homemaker and member of the First Christian Church in Grayville.

Survivors include her daughter and son-in-law, Judith and Alexander Collis of Sunrise, Fl; four grandchildren, Dean Robinson, Tracey Robinson, Christopher Robinson, and Scott Collis; and three great-grandchildren, Kaitlin, VJ, and Samantha. She is preceded in death by her parents, Denzel and Bessie Taylor; and her daughter, Linda Mae.

Mary Jane Harvey, Jan. 21, 1939 - Dec. 25, 2009

Mary Jane Harvey, 70, formerly of Kennsburg, died Friday, Dec. 25, 2009, at Oakview Heights Nursing Home in Mt. Carmel. Visitation and funeral is Tuesday, Dec. 29, 2009, at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville. Visitation is 11 a.m. and continues until funeral time at 1 p.m. Burial will be in Oak Grove Cemetery in Grayville. She was born Jan. 21, 1939, in Keensburg, the daughter of Ivan and Ecie (Funkhouser) Goldman. She married James S. Harvey on Nov. 10, 1958, and he preceded her in death on Dec. 7, 1991. She was a retired general inside laborer for Amax Wabash Coal Company and member of the local 1791 United Mine Workers of America. Prior to her work at Amax Coal, she worked at Whirlpool in Evansville, IN, for 21 years.

She is survived by one brother, Robert Goldman and his wife, Shelia, of Keensburg; two sisters, Juanita Helen Smith of Mt. Carmel, and Wilma Rose Horton of Grayville; and numerous nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and great-nephews. Preceding her in death are her parents,

Ivan and Ecie Goldman; husband, James S. Harvey; and two brothers, Francis “Pee Wee” Aldridge and Ralph D. Goldman.

Jimmie Taylor, Mar. 20, 1932 - Dec. 26, 2009

Jimmie W. Taylor, 77, of Evansville, IN, died Saturday, Dec. 26, 2009, at Deaconess Gateway Hospital. Jimmie was born Mar. 20, 1932, in Wheatcroft, KY. He was a veteran of the Navy, having served during the Korean War, and a 50-year-member of IUOE, Local 181. He retired from Industrial Contractors in 1993.

Jimmie was preceded in death by his parents, Birdie and Virgie (Hanbery) Taylor; and brother, William D. Taylor. He is survived by his wife, Patricia Taylor; daughters, Debbie Taylor and Dana Taylor Steel of Charlotte, NC; and his cat, Mocha. He was a loving husband, father, and friend who will be greatly missed. Graveside services were at 10 a.m. Friday, Jan. 1, at Oak Grove Cemetery, Grayville, IL, officiated by Rev. Rex Gill. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in memory of Jimmie at any Old National Bank. Condolences may be made online at www.mem.com. Arrangements by Alexander East Chapel, Evansville.

Mary Jane Elder, Oct. 29, 1915 - Dec. 28, 2009

Mary Jane Elder, 94, of Grayville, died Monday, Dec. 28, 2009, at Wabash Christian Retirement Center in Carmi. Visitation and funeral services will be Thursday, Dec. 31, 2009, at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville. Visitation is at 10 a.m. and continues until funeral time at 11 a.m. Burial will be in Oak Grove Cemetery in Grayville. She was born Oct. 29, 1915, in Mattoon, IL, the daughter of George and Lola (Montez) Reed. She married Maurice and he preceded her in death in 1991. She was a member of the Grayville First United Methodist Church, a homemaker, and dedicated her life to caring for her daughter, Susan.

Survivors include her son, Dr. Gregory Elder of New York, NY; a daughter, Susan Jane Elder, of Grayville; a nephew, George Reed, of Mattoon; a sister-in-law, Martha Clawson of Mattoon; and her caregiver, Mary Roberts, in Grayville. She was preceded in death by her parents, George and Lola Reed; husband, Maurice Elder; two brothers; and one sister. Memorials may be made to the Grayville First United Methodist Church and will be accepted at Cook Funeral Chapel or mailed to PO Box 422, Grayville, IL 62844.