

EATON RAPIDS
DEATHS & OBITUARIES 2000

Eaton Rapids

~~Umbarger, Kenneth, 76, World War II veteran, retired Oldsmobile inspector, died Sunday. Services 2 p.m. today at Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. LSJ 10/14/00~~

Eaton Rapids

Sleeper, Vera Fern (Nelson), 84, retired Green Bay Foods employee, died Friday. Services 1 p.m. Monday at Skinner Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. LSJ 12/19/00

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Eaton Rapids

Smith, Robert Michael, 16, died Wednesday. Memorial services 1 p.m. Friday at the family home, 3572 E. Spicerville Highway, Charlotte. Arrangements by Skinner Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. LSJ 10/12/00

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Futrell, Bette, 80, retired occupational therapist, died Tuesday. Services 11 a.m. Jan. 20 at First United Methodist Church, Eaton Rapids. Arrangements by Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. LSJ 12-14-00

Eaton Rapids

Gallups, Ronald C., 51, died Tuesday. Arrangements by Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids.

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Glaum, Doris G., 85, died Tuesday. Arrangements by Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids.

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Eaton Rapids

Dodge, Fayola H., 94, died Wednesday. Services 11 a.m. Saturday at Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids.

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Marks, Goldie V., 93, retired nursing home owner/operator, died Thursday. Services 11 a.m. Saturday at Skinner-Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. LSJ 12-22-00

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Eaton Rapids

Gretz, George C. Jr., 81, retired Detroit Zoo structural engineer, died Thursday. Arrangements by Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. LSJ 10/30/00

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Eaton Rapids

Burke, Carl C., 80, died Thursday. Services 2 p.m. today at Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. LSJ 12/23/00

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Hosler, Mary M., 92, retired Holt Public Schools teacher, died Tuesday. Services 2 p.m. Friday at Robbins United Methodist Church, Eaton Rapids. Arrangements by Skinner Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. LSJ 11-2-00

Eaton Rapids

Bowman, Bernice E., 93, retired Eaton Rapids Community Hospital nurse, died Thursday. Memorial services 3 p.m. Friday at First Baptist Church, Eaton Rapids. Arrangements by Skinner Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. LSJ 11-4-00

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Hayter, Vera Jean, 73, former Eaton Stamping Co. employee, died Thursday. Services 11 a.m. Monday at Skinner Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. LSJ 11-12-00

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Dowding, Charles J., 90, retired Eaton Rapids Public Schools teacher, died Sunday. Services 1 p.m. Wednesday at Skinner Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. LSJ 11-21-00

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Nitsos, John A., 51, retired Fisher Body employee, died Monday. Services 10 a.m. Thursday at Skinner Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids.

LSJ 11-29-00

Eaton Rapids

Cook, Mary E., 80, retired short-order cook, died Thursday. Services 2 p.m. Monday at Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. *LSJ 1-16-2000*

Peck, Opal O., 90, retired Eaton Stamping employee, died Friday. There will be no services. Arrangements by Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. *LSJ 1-31-2000*

Eaton Rapids

Joseph, Daniel Scott, 38, died Friday of natural causes. Services 1 p.m. Wednesday at First Church of the Nazarene, Charlotte. Arrangements by Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte. *LSJ 2-1-2000*

Eaton Rapids

Jones, Ellen M., 79, died Sunday. Services noon Tuesday at St. Peter Church, Eaton Rapids. Arrangements by Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. *LSJ 2-14-2000*

Eaton Rapids

Corbin, Dolores, 98, died Thursday. Graveside services 1 p.m. today at Rosehill Cemetery, Eaton Rapids. Arrangements by Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids.

Kibiloski, Hannah Marie, infant daughter of Pat and Shelley Kibiloski, died Wednesday of natural causes. Arrangements by Skinner Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. *LSJ 3-4-00*

Strang, Betty Jean, 71, retired Ingham Medical Food Service employee, died Tuesday. Services 2 p.m. Friday at Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. *LSJ 3-16-00*

Kikendall, Beatrice M., 91, formerly of Eaton Rapids, died Thursday. Graveside services 11 a.m. Monday at Oakwood Cemetery, Eaton Rapids. Arrangements by Skinner Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. *LSJ 3-26-2000*

Eaton Rapids

Brewer, Ernest Jr., 77, retired Diamond REO employee, died Tuesday. Services 1 p.m. Friday at Skinner Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids.

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Jordan, Bill "Shawnee Bill," 65, house repairman, died Sunday. Remembrance dinner 2 p.m. Wednesday at Eaton Rapids Conservation Club. Arrangements by Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids.

Eaton Rapids

Curry, E. Mae, 91, formerly of Bellevue, retired teacher, died Thursday. Services 11 a.m. Tuesday at Shaw Funeral Home, Lehman Chapel, Bellevue. *LSJ 4-23-00*

Smith, Harold E., 71, formerly of Battle Creek, died Thursday. Services 1 p.m. Monday at Fowley-Estes-Dowdle Funeral Home, Battle Creek. *LSJ 5/13/00*

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Patton, Mahlon L. "Bud" "Pat," 77, retired Michigan State Police and state employee, died Friday. Services 11 a.m. Wednesday at Skinner Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. *5-28-00*

Eaton Rapids

Iams, Gleason L., 42, NTB Trucking driver, died Tuesday as a result of an automobile accident. Graveside services 11 a.m. Friday at Rosehill Cemetery, Eaton Rapids. Arrangements by Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. *6-1-00 LSJ*

Eaton Rapids

Medcoff, Edward Duane, 70, died May 31. Services 11 a.m. Wednesday at Fort Custer National Cemetery, Augusta. Arrangements by Shelly Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. *6-3-00 LSJ*

Eaton Rapids

Naylor, Ruth F., 88, died Saturday. Services 11 a.m. Tuesday at Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. *LSJ 6-11-00*

Pearson, Kim Marie, 43, of Salem, Ore., formerly of Eaton Rapids, died Sunday. Memorial services will be held at a later date. Arrangements by Restlawn Funeral Home, Salem. *LSJ 6-14-00*

Eaton Rapids

McCracken, Elferiede H. "Elfie," 75, retired Eaton Technology press operator, died Wednesday. Services 1 p.m. Saturday at Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. *LSJ 6-16-00*

Romanek, Claudia Michelle, infant, died Saturday. Services 4 p.m. today at Gorsline-Runciman Lansing Chapel. *LSJ 6-22-00*

Eaton Rapids

Winstead, Shirley A., 64, owner and operator of Sunflower Lodge Adult Foster Care Home, died Wednesday. Services 2 p.m. Saturday at Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. *LSJ 6-23-00*

Eaton Rapids

Jackson, Florence C., 89, retired Eaton Rapids Public Schools teacher, died Tuesday. Services 9 a.m. Saturday at Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. *LSJ 6-28-00*

Eaton Rapids

Allen, Lyle B., 79, formerly of Charlotte, retired Owens-Brockway employee and World War II veteran, died Thursday. Services 1 p.m. Saturday at Burkhead-Green Funeral Chapel, Charlotte. *LSJ 7-15-00*

Poehler, Pearl M., 91, died Saturday. Services 11 a.m. Thursday at Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. *LSJ 7-17-2000*

Eaton Rapids

Livingston, Georgia May, 93, died Sunday. Graveside services 1 p.m. Friday at Center Eaton Cemetery, Eaton Township. Arrangements by Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte. *7-25-00*

Eaton Rapids

Druskis, Marquerite S., 45, formerly of Indianapolis, artist, died Thursday. Arrangements by Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. *LSJ 8-28-00*

Eaton Rapids

Lloyd, David C., 77, retired foreman for General Aluminum (Charlotte), died Thursday. Services 1 p.m. Saturday at Skinner Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. *LSJ 8-25-00*

Eaton Rapids

Halvorsen, Joan L., 75, died Monday. Arrangements by Estes-Leadley Greater Lansing Chapel.

Jennings, Grace M., 95, retired teacher, died Sunday. Services 2:30 p.m. today at First Congregational Church, Eaton Rapids. Arrangements by Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids.

Sherman, William Louis II "Bill," 66, died Sunday. *LSJ 8-29-00*

Cosgray, Metha Mae, 100, of Chelsea, formerly of Eaton Rapids, died Sunday. Services 11 a.m. Wednesday at Skinner Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. *LSJ 9-5-00*

Eaton Rapids

Dowding, Judy L., 59, Department of Agriculture and Farm Services (Eaton County) employee, died Sunday. Services 1 p.m. Thursday at Skinner Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. *LSJ 9-5-00*

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LARRY LEE WRIGHT

Larry Lee Wright, age 63 of Dimondale and formerly of Eaton Rapids, died Sunday, December 17, 2000 at a Lansing hospital. He was born May 27, 1937 in Clinton County, the son of Ora and Florence (Brown) Wright. Mr. Wright was an employee of Fisher Body B.O.C. in Lansing. He was a member of the U.A.W. Local #652 in Lansing, a member of the Sons of the American Legion Post #198 in Lewiston, and a member of the Loyal Order of Moose Lodge #1035 in Mio. Preceding him in death was his first wife, Joanna, in 1984 and 2 sisters, Loretta Jean Hazel and Lorraine Eedy.

Surviving are his wife, Beverly; 6 children, Mark (Debbie) Wright of Conyers, GA, Michael Wright of Eaton Rapids, Daniel (Stephanie) Wright of Eaton Rapids, Mary (Tom) Merz of Okemos, Sarah (Gregg) Johnson of Sunfield and Rebecca Wright of Eaton Rapids; 4 step-children, Patty (Danny) Tarno of AZ, Cindy (Robert) Thomas of Lansing, Susan Diana of Lansing and Mary (David) Morse of CO; 18 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild; sister, LeVona Conklin of Elsie and 2 brothers, LaVern (Fay) Wright of Lewiston and Lyle (Mary Ann) Wright of CA; several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were Thursday, December 21st at 1 p.m. from the First Baptist Church in Eaton Rapids with Rev. Mark Livingston officiating. Burial followed in the Bunker Cemetery in Eaton Rapids. Funeral arrangements were made by the Skinner Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. For those desiring, a memorial contribution may be made to the Eaton Community Hospice in memory of Larry L. Wright.

CARL C. BURKE



Carl C. Burke, age 80 of Eaton Rapids, died Thursday, December 21, 2000 in Lansing. Carl was born October 24, 1920 in Cullman, AL, the son of Carl and Sarah (Johnson) Burke. He was a WWII Combat Engineer Veteran.

Carl leaves a loving wife of 59 years, Norma J. Burke. Also cared for and missed by his sisters and brothers-in-law, Dorothy and Bill Allen of Holt, Adele Akley and Marvin Lang of Holt; nephew, Ken Eaves of Lansing; grandnephew, Nicholas Eaves of Belding; adopted daughter, Dawn Marie Tyler and many, many friends.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, December 23, 2000 at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids, with Rev. Stephen Klink, pastor of the Community Christian Church, officiating. Interment followed at Rosehill Cemetery, Eaton Rapids. Those desiring may make contributions to the family of Carl Burke. www.Legacy.com

GOLDIE V. (BAKER) MARKS

Goldie V. (Baker) Marks, age 93 of Eaton Rapids/Charlotte, died December 21, 2000. She was born March 17, 1907 in Adams County, Indiana, daughter of William T. and Carrie May (Buffenbarger) Baker. Mrs. Marks was an in-home nurse and owned and operated a nursing home in Eaton Rapids for 8 years. She was preceded in death by her parents, all her siblings, Wilma, Edith, Bernice, James, Dale and Raymond.

Surviving are her only child, Verle/Vickie (Wayne) Miller of Eaton Rapids; 4 grandchildren, John (Colleen) Colestock, David (Lois) Colestock, Joseph (Toni) Colstock and Pamela Colestock; 4 step-grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; 7 great-great-grandchildren and 9 step-great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, December 23rd from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids with Rev. Stephen Klink officiating. Burial followed in the Rosehill Cemetery in Eaton Rapids. Pallbearers were Harold McGeachy, Richard Coats, Terry Simpson and Keith Cantine.



FAYOLA H. DODGE

Fayola H. Dodge, age 94 of Eaton Rapids, formerly of Jackson, died Wednesday, December 20, 2000 in Charlotte. Fayola was born January 27, 1906 the daughter of Mavin Peter and Hattie (Dent) Dennis. She was an active 4-H leader for many years. Mrs. Dodge was preceded in death by her husband, Blynn, in 1960; grandson, Larry Dack; great-granddaughter, Jessie; 2 sisters, Frances Goss and Florence Lumbert.

Surviving are 2 daughters, Phyllis (Carl) Smith, Ruth (Lewis) Fuller both of Eaton Rapids; 2 sons, Richard (Yvonne) Dodge, Blynn (Carolyn) Dodge both of Springport; 13 grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren; 3 great-great-grandchildren and 2 nephews.

Funeral services were held December 23, 2000 at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids, with Rev. Jack Fugate, Pastor of the Griffith United Methodist Church officiating. Interment followed at the Onondaga Cemetery. Contributions may be made to the charity of your choice in memory of Fayola Dodge. www.Legacy.com

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MONA M. PARSONS

Mona M. Parsons, age 81 of Eaton Rapids, died Saturday, December 16, 2000 at a Lansing hospital. She was born October 1, 1919 in Flint, Michigan one of 13 children born to George and Daisy (Hoffman) Tanner. Mrs. Parsons worked for Fisher Body during World War II in the Sewing Room and later, from 1957 through 1975, worked for the Flashes Shopper's Guide & News in Eaton Rapids as Ad Composition Coordinator. She was a life member of the Order of the Eastern Star Lodge #241 in Eaton Rapids. Preceding her in death was her husband Alfred James Parsons on July 6, 1979.

Surviving are 4 children, daughter, Sandra Kay (James) Spittler of Stoney Lake, MI, 3 sons, Dan (Judy) Parsons, Ron (Nancy) Parsons and Greg Parsons all of Eaton Rapids; 9 grandchildren; 9 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild; 9 brothers and sisters; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, December 20th, at 11 a.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids with Rev. Tom Evans of the First United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will be in the Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens in Lansing. Visitation will be Tuesday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. For those desiring, a memorial contribution may be made to the American Heart Association at 271 Woodland Pass, Suite 110, East Lansing, Michigan, 48823-2060 in memory of Mona M. Parsons.

JOYCE B. COMER

Joyce B. Comer, age 73 of Eaton Rapids, died Tuesday, December 12, 2000 in Lansing. Joyce was born August 7, 1927 in Lansing, the daughter of Howard and Isabel Ann (Foster) Slaght. She was a member of the Eaton Rapids Medical Center Red Cross Volunteers for 30 years and a member of the Eaton Rapids Township Fire Department Boosters.

Surviving are her husband of 54 years, Robert; daughter, Joanne Comer of Grand Ledge; 3 sons, Rodney, Larry, and Thomas L. Comer all of Eaton Rapids; 6 grandchildren, Jason, Joshua and Jessica Comer, Gregory, Michael and Timothy Comer; 3 great-grandchildren, Ryan, Brendan, and Annika; 2 sisters, Carol (Keith) Williams of Eaton Rapids, Jacki (Loren) Worden of North Carolina; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held December 16th at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids, with Pastor Stephen Klink officiating. Interment will be at Brickyard Cemetery, Eaton Rapids. Those desiring may make contributions to either the American Diabetes Association or the American Cancer Society in memory of Joyce B. Comer.

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BERTHA L. BURLEY

Bertha L. Burley, age 87 of Eaton Rapids, died Friday, December 15, 2000. She was born December 15, 1913 in Sandusky County, Ohio. Mrs. Burley lived in the Eaton Rapids area since 1955. She was preceded in death by her husband LaVerne Burley in 1997.

Surviving are her son, Eldon (Pat) Burley of Eaton Rapids; 4 grandchildren, Michael (Candice) Burley, Mark (Carolyn) Burley, Lori Bennett all of Eaton Rapids and Lisa (Dave) Felice of Dimondale; 2 great-granddaughters, Jennifer Burley and Alisa Bennett.

Memorial services will be Thursday, December 28th at 1 p.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids.

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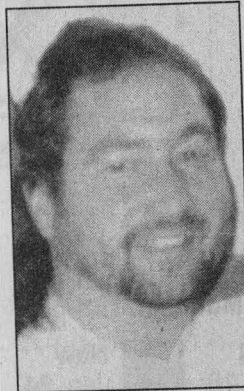
CONKLIN, PAUL I.

Eaton Rapids

Age 88, passed away Thursday, December 21, 2000 in Lansing. Born June 4, 1912, the son of Melvin and Cloe (Erickson) Conklin. Mr. Conklin graduated from Western Michigan University with a BA and Masters degrees. He was a math teacher, Principal and Superintendent of several high schools in Michigan. Mr. Conklin also was Associate Pastor of Mt. Hope United Methodist Church in the 1960s. He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary in 1977; daughter, Nancy in 1997; brother, Wayne Conklin in 1965; and 3 grandchildren. Surviving are daughter, Betty Reignbow of Stevensville; 6 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren; sisters, Ruth Kellogg and Francis Haines. Funeral services will be held **Thursday, 1 p.m. at Mt. Hope United Methodist Church** with Pastor Pam Mathieu officiating. The family will receive friends Thursday from 12 noon until service time at the church. For those wishing, memorial contributions may be made to the Eaton Rapids Campground in memory of Paul L. Conklin. The family is being served by the Palmer-Bush Lansing Chapel. **LSJ 12-26-00**

MOORE, DAVID DANIEL (DANNY)

Eaton Rapids



Age 35, died December 23, 2000. He has climbed the stairway to Heaven, after battling bronchial asthma all his life. Graduated from Eaton Rapids High School in 1984. Dan

loved nature and enjoyed hunting, fishing and being in the outdoors. He had a big heart and left behind many who loved him: mother, Patricia Miller, stepfather, Bernie Miller, father, David (Bud) Moore, 1 brother, Kevin (Misty) Moore, 1 sister, Jennifer (David) McCormick, grandparents, Evelyn (Alonzo-deceased) Stone, Viola and Lloyd Dowell - deceased; nieces, Tricia, Emily and Allison; nephews, Kevin Jr., Tyler, Ashton and Devin; several aunts, uncles, cousins and his beloved dog, Dodge. Memorial services will be held **11 a.m. Thursday, December 28, 2000 at Chapel in the Pines Funeral Home** with Rev. Erwin Robertson of Capitol City Baptist Church officiating. There will be no funeral home visitation. **LSJ 12-27-00**

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MCDADE, MAGALEAN H. "HESTER"

Eaton Rapids, MI

Our beloved wife, mother and grandmother, age 79, passed away on December 14, 2000 in Largo, FL. She was born on October 4, 1921 in Quincy, KY and had lived in the Lansing area most of her life. Surviving are her husband, Victor; daughter, Ruby (Clifford) Brasseur of Mason; sons, Harold (LeAnn) Horsley of Onondaga and Danny (Patti) Horsley of St. Petersburg, FL; 8 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; 2 great-great-grandchildren; sister, Rose (Lynn) Lowe of Lansing; and brother Raymond Horner of Bucyrus, OH. She was preceded in death by a grandson, Danny Horsley. A funeral service will be conducted by Pastor Danny P. Stoneham of Capital City Church of God, at the **Estes-Leadley Holt/Delhi Chapel at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, December 19, 2000**, with entombment in Deepdale Memorial Gardens. The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 1-3 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. Monday. L5J 12-17-00

PARSONS, MONA M.

Eaton Rapids

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BURLEY, BERTHA L.

Eaton Rapids

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WRIGHT, LARRY LEE

Dimondale

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JAMES ALLEN DRAKE

James Allen Drake Eaton Rapids, died Monday, November 27, 2000 at a Lansing hospital. He was born February 3, 1916 in Jackson, the son of Royal and Esther (Tuttle) Drake. Mr. Drake was a retired chief engineer for Lansing Drop Forge, retiring in 1981 after 42 years of service. He was preceded in death by his wife Mary Frances on April 8, 1999.

Surviving are 3 children, James Gary (Marty) Drake of Lansing, Linda (Roy) Sebastian of Nashville and Gregory Allen (Tammy) Drake of Portland; 7 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren; special friend Ida Wright of Eaton Rapids.

Funeral arrangements were done by Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids. Private funeral services were held on Thursday, November 30th with interment following at Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens in Lansing. For those desiring, a memorial contribution may be made to the Eaton Community Hospice at 313 Lansing St., Charlotte, MI 48813.

**DeWAELE, VIOLET E.
(JENNINGS)**

Eaton Rapids

Born July 28, 1923, in Lansing; died December 9, 2000, at the age of 77. Mrs. DeWaele was a member of Mt. Hope Church, Lansing. Surviving are her husband, Andrew; 2 children, Allen (Janice) DeWaele and Ilene (Richard) Nicholson; 3 grandchildren, A. J., Amber, and Elizabeth; 1 sister, Ilene Walters; and many nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be held **Tuesday, December 12, at 10 a.m. at the Gorsline-Runciman Co. Lansing Chapel, 900 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing**, with the Rev. Edward Sans Gillies, of Mt. Hope Church, officiating. Interment will follow in Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens, Lansing. The family will receive friends at the Chapel on Monday from 5-8 p.m. Those desiring may make contributions to Mt. Hope Church, 202 S. Creyts Rd., Lansing, 48917, in memory of Mrs. DeWaele. *LSJ 12-10-00*

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**VERA FERN
(NELSON) SLEEPER**

Vera Fern (Nelson) Sleeper went to be with her Lord on Friday, December 8, 2000 at the age of 84. She was born April 13, 1916 in Albion. Vera retired from Green Bay Foods in Eaton Rapids in 1978 after 16 years of service. She was preceded in death by her husband Clarence in 1993; 2 daughters, Joyce in 1956 and Carol in 1987; 1 great-granddaughter, Bethany in 1992.

She is survived by 1 daughter, Dorothy (James) Lawrence of Richland, MI; 2 sons, Richard (Connie) Sleeper of Gladwin, MI and Dail (Karen) Sleeper of Eaton Rapids. Vera has been blessed with 12 grandchildren, 5 step-grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren and 2 step great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Monday, December 11, 2000 at the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids with Rev. Merlin Pratt officiating. Burial followed in the Springport Cemetery in Springport, MI. Pallbearers were James Lawrence Jr., Stephen Lawrence, Ralph Sleeper, LeRoy Nelson, Arden Hetlevet and Mark Crippen Jr. For those desiring, a memorial contribution may be made to the Eaton Community Hospice at 313 Lansing St., Charlotte, MI 48813 in memory of Vera Fern Sleeper.

ARLENE HELDERMAN

Mrs. Arlene Helderman, age 76 of Hanover, passed away Tuesday, December 5, 2000 at the Albion Manor Nursing Home. She was born in East Jordan, Michigan, August 23, 1924 the daughter of Marenus and Frances Hayward. Her husband, Ray E. Helderman, preceded her in death in 1984; 3 sisters and 1 brother. Mrs. Helderman was a Girl Scout Leader in the Munith area, and cared for many foster children through the years.

She is survived by children, Sam (Susan) Clough of Jackson, Judi (Bob) Davis Sr. of Springport, Sandi (Jerry) Andrews of Albion, Sherry (Bill) Parlow of Saratoga, Wyoming, Beth (Michael Ewald) Helderman of Hanover; step children, Charles (Sally) Helderman of New Jersey, Irma Lumsden of Missouri; brothers, M.E. "Mike" Hayward Jr. of Florida, Anson Hayward of Florida, Arthur Hayward of Lansing, Kenn Hayward of Eaton Rapids; sisters, Eleanor Hawley of Peoria, Ill., Genevera Wilson of Charlotte, Sharon Ryder of Florida; 17 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren.

Funeral Services were held Friday, December 8th at the Kurtz-Towns Funeral Home, Hanover, Michigan, with Pastor Tom Dillard officiating. Burial will be in Hanover Cemetery.

**NORMAN HENRY
SCHOTTIN**

Norman Henry Schottin, age 77 of Ann Arbor, died Sunday, December 10, 2000 at the Chelsea Retirement Center. He was born April 16, 1923 in Albany, NY the son of Henry and Emily (Fleck) Schottin and on August 14, 1948 he married Rachel Mary Pierce in Eaton Rapids, MI. She preceded him in death on January 30, 1994. Mr. Schottin graduated from the University of Michigan, with his undergraduate degree in chemical engineering and his Master degree in Linguistics. In 1951 he traveled to Afghanistan, where he was a teacher, returning to Ann Arbor in 1960, where he worked at Parke-Davis until 1979. After an early retirement from Parke-Davis he returned to teaching in Saudi Arabia and Egypt until the early 80's when he returned to Ann Arbor.

He is survived by his four children, Susan (Robert) King of El Paso, TX, Gail (Rufus) Walsh, of Murfreesboro, TN, Priscilla (Jake) Jacobsen of Seattle, WA and Tom (Marie) Schottin of Ann Arbor, and 17 grandchildren. he was preceded in death by his wife, parents and two sisters.

Memorial contributions may be made in his honor to Abundant Life In Jesus, P.O. Box 370056, El Paso, TX 79937. Envelopes are available at the Nie Funeral Home, 2400 Carpenter Road, Ann Arbor, MI 48108. A graveside service will be held at Griffith Cemetery, Eaton Rapids, at 1 p.m. Tuesday, December 12, 2000. A memorial service is planned for December 21, 2000 with location and time pending.

LARSEN, MILDRED A.**Eaton Rapids**

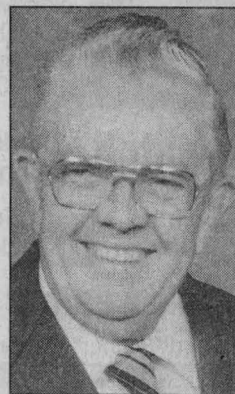
Age 91, formerly of Eaton Rapids, died Tuesday, November 21, 2000 at the East Lansing Health Care Center. Born January 30, 1909, in Eaton County, one of twelve children born to Henry W. and Nettie E. (Taylor) Peck. Mrs. Larsen was a retired employee of the Eaton Stamping Co. in Eaton Rapids. A member of the First Congregational Church, life member of the Rebekah Sunshine Lodge #114 and the Eaton Rapids Senior Citizens. She was preceded in death by her husband, Ole Larsen; and daughter, Lila Bauer; 8 sisters and 3 brothers. Surviving are daughter, Beverly Larsen (Rutgar) Hoag of Williamston, son-in-law, Robert (Barbara) Bauer of Lansing, foster children, Wayne Pike and Rita Christensen both of Lansing; 8 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren and 3 great-great-grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be **Friday, November 24 at 2 p.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids** with burial following in the Oakwood Cemetery, Eaton Rapids. Visitation will be Thursday evening from 7-9 p.m. at the funeral home. For those desiring a memorial contribution may be made to either the Eaton Rapids Senior Citizens or the Michigan Chapter of the Arthritis Foundation in Southfield in memory of Mildred Larsen. The family of Mrs. Larsen would like to express their gratitude for the excellent care given by the staff at the East Lansing Health Care Center.

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LAWHEAD, DUANE J.**Tavares, FL****Formerly of Eaton Rapids**

Age 79, died Wednesday, November 22, 2000. Born October 14, 1921 in Potterville, the son of Donald and Kathleen (Kinsel) Lawhead. Duane was a decorated Army Air Corp. Veteran of World War II, receiving a Purple Heart. He was a retired Master Metal Smith for Aircraft working for the United States Department of Defense. A member of the Masonic Lodge #63, the American Legion Post #15 and the V.F.W. Post #1238 all of Eaton Rapids. Surviving are his wife, Fay; 2 sons, Dennis of Eaton Rapids and David of Onstead; daughter, Dorothy Parsley of Florida; stepsons, Jack Swan of Colorado and Steven Siegest of Hawaii; stepdaughters, Beth Seltentright of Florida, Anita Chateaneuf of New Hampshire, and Esther Emswiler of Battle Creek; 11 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. Funeral services will be **Tuesday, November 28 at 1 p.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids**. Visitation will be Sunday evening from 7-9 p.m. and Monday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m., with a Masonic Memorial service being conducted at 7 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be in the Rosehill Cemetery in Eaton Rapids with full military honors provided by the G.E.R.A.V.A. (Greater Eaton Rapids Area Veterans Association). For those desiring, a memorial contribution may be made to either the Eaton Rapids Masonic Lodge or the Eaton Community Hospice in memory of Duane J. Lawhead. LSJ 11-26-00

DRAKE, JAMES ALLEN**Eaton Rapids**

Age 84, of Eaton Rapids, died Monday, November 27, 2000 at a Lansing hospital. Born February 3, 1916 in Parma, the son of Royal and Esther (Tuttle) Drake. Mr. Drake

was a retired Chief Engineer for Lansing Drop Forge, retiring in 1981 after 42 years of service. He was preceded in death by his wife Mary Frances in April 1999. Surviving are 3 children, James Gary (Marty) Drake of Lansing, Linda (Roy) Sebastian of Nashville, MI. and Gregory Allen (Tammy) Drake of Portland; 7 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren and special friend Ida Wright of Eaton Rapids. Visitation will be Wednesday evening from 7-9 p.m. at the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids. Private funeral services will be held at a later date. For those desiring memorial gifts may be made to the Eaton Community Hospice in memory of James Allen Drake. LSJ 11-28-00

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**MILDRED ABBIE LARSEN**

Mildred A. Larsen, age 91 of Eaton Rapids, died Tuesday, November 21, 2000 at the East Lansing Health Care Center. She was born January 30, 1909 in Eaton County, one of twelve children born to Henry W. and Nettie E. (Taylor) Peck. Mrs. Larsen was a retired press operator for the Eaton Stamping Company, retiring in 1979. She was a member of the First Congregational Church, a Life member of the Rebekah Sunshine Lodge #114, and was a very active member of the Eaton Rapids Senior Citizens. She was preceded in death by husband, Ole Larsen in 1956; daughter, Lila Bauer in 1993; 8 sisters and 3 brothers.

Surviving are a daughter, Beverly Larsen (Rutgar) Hoag of Williamston; son-in-law, Robert (Barbara) Bauer of Lansing; Foster children, Wayne Pike and Rita Christensen both of Lansing; 8 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren and 3 great-great-grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held on Friday, November 24th from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids with Rev. Dr. David D'Arcy of the First Congregational Church officiating. Interment followed in the Oakwood Cemetery in Eaton Rapids. Pall bearers were Jeff Larsen, Mark Bauer, Ashley Frayre, John Bauer, Bob Bauer and Joe Forquer. For those desiring, a memorial contribution may be made to either the Eaton Rapids Senior Citizens or to the Michigan Chapter of the Arthritis Foundation in Southfield. The family of Mrs. Larsen would like to express their gratitude for the excellent care given by the staff at the East Lansing Health Care Center.

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VERA JEAN HAYTER

Vera Jean Hayter, age 73 of Eaton Rapids, died Thursday, November 9, 2000 at the University Hospital in Ann Arbor. She was born January 15, 1927 in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, the daughter of Delbert and Edith (Heath) VanLoven. Mrs. Hayter was a very active person, enjoying golf, playing cards and going out to dinner and shopping. She was formerly employed at Miller's Ice Cream Parlour in Eaton Rapids, spent 18 years working for the Eaton Stamping Company in Eaton Rapids, worked several years with Care Free in Charlotte, 14 years as Cook for Rod's Lounge in Eaton Rapids and was currently a carrier for the Lansing State Journal, Flashes, Eaton Community News and the Detroit News. Preceding her in death were her husband, Leslie D. Hayter in 1980; 2 grandchildren; and 3 siblings.

Surviving are 4 children, Velma (Dan) Brouque of Grand Haven, Lila Deverney of Owosso, Bill (Dawn) Gleason of Eaton Rapids and Tom (Missy) Gleason of Onondaga; 10 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren; 5 brothers and sisters including Clyde (Dorothy) VanLoven of Mason; numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held on Monday, November 13th from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids with Rev. Stephen Klink of the Community Christian Church officiating. Burial followed in the Rosehill Cemetery in Eaton Rapids. For those desiring, a memorial contribution may be made to the Heart & Hands in Eaton Rapids, envelopes are available at the funeral home.

BAKER, ELEANORE

Eaton Rapids



A long-standing and beloved member of the Eaton Rapids community, Eleanore Baker age 85, went to be with the Lord on Saturday, November 18, 2000.

She was born in Saginaw, MI on February 22, 1915, the daughter of Michael and Valentina (Brzezckiewicz) Slominski. Before settling in Eaton Rapids, she lived in Lansing where she worked for the State Liquor Control Commission. She married Willard Kendall Baker and later worked for years as Librarian of King Street Elementary School. She was a long-time member of St. Peter Catholic Church, St. Peter Alter Society, the Association of Catholic Business Women, Bucks and Does Square Dance Club and served as Treasurer of the American Legion Auxiliary in Eaton Rapids. She was also active in the Eaton Rapids Senior Center where she was known for her wonderful baked goods. Preceding her in death are 12 siblings, Francis, Sadie, John, Walter, Martin, Anthony, Harold, Regina, Leo, Agnes, Sylvester and Joe. Eleanore is survived by her 2 sons, Michael Alva of Eaton Rapids, and Steven Willard (Jennifer) of Laguna Beach, CA. Also surviving are Aaron Michael of Traverse City and Emily Grace of Laguna Beach, CA (Grandma Buscha's treasured grandchildren). She is also survived by many nieces and nephews. Funeral arrangements will be made by Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids. Family and parish community will celebrate Eleanore's life at Rosary Services to be held at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. on Tuesday, November 21. Visitation will follow from 2:30-4 p.m. and 7:30-9 p.m. Father Bennett P. Constantine will celebrate the **Funeral Mass at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, November 22 at St. Peter Catholic Church in Eaton Rapids.** In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Eleanore's name to St. Peter Catholic Church in Eaton Rapids or the Michigan Chapter of the Arthritis Foundation in Southfield.

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CHARLES JAMES DOWDING

Charles James Dowding, age 90 of Eaton Rapids, died Sunday, November 19, 2000 at the Hayes Green Beach Hospital in Charlotte. He was born September 30, 1910 in Lee Township, Calhoun County, the son of James and Ruby (McGinn) Dowding. Mr. Dowding was a Marshall High School graduate and received a Teaching Degree from Western Michigan University. He retired with 35 years of service as a teacher from the Eaton Rapids Public Schools. He volunteered his time as a crossing guard on Main Street and helped out in the Lunch Room at Northwestern Schools for several years following retirement. He was a member of the Eaton Rapids Teacher's Association and Western Michigan Alumni Association. Preceding him in death was a brother, Ray and sister, Clara Wolfe.

Surviving are his brother Bernard Tanner of Georgia; several nieces and nephews including Bruce (Charlene) Dowding of Olivet; great nieces and nephews including Cherri (Larry) Brester, Cathy Dowding and Bruce (Tammi) Dowding, Jr. all of Olivet.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, November 22, 2000 at 1 p.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids with Rev. Dr. David D'Arcy of the First Congregational Church officiating. Burial will be in the Rosehill Cemetery in Eaton Rapids. Visitation will be Tuesday evening from 6-8 p.m. at the funeral home.

ELEANORE BAKER



A long-standing and beloved member of the Eaton Rapids community, Eleanore Baker, age 85, went to be with the Lord on Saturday, November 18, 2000. She was born in Saginaw, Michigan on February 22, 1915 the daughter of Michael and Valentina (Brzezckiewicz) Slominski. Before settling in Eaton Rapids, she lived in Lansing where she worked for the State Liquor Control Commission. She married Willard Kendall Baker and later worked for years as Librarian of King Street Elementary School. She was a long-time member of St. Peter Catholic Church, St. Peter Alter Society, the Association of Catholic Business Women, Bucks and Does Square Dance Club and served as treasurer of the American Legion Auxiliary in Eaton Rapids. She was also active in the Eaton Rapids Senior Center where she was known for her wonderful baked goods. Preceding her in death are twelve siblings: Francis, Sadie, John, Walter, Martin, Anthony, Harold, Regina, Leo, Agnes, Sylvester and Joe.

Eleanore is survived by her two sons: Michael Alva, of Eaton Rapids and Steven Willard (Jennifer) of Laguna Beach, California; Aaron Michael of Traverse City and Emily Grace of Laguna Beach, California (Grandma Buscha's treasured grandchildren); and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral arrangements were by Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids. Family and parish community will celebrate Eleanore's life at Rosary Services to be held at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. on Tuesday, November 21. Visitation will follow from 2:30 - 4 p.m. and 7:30 - 9 p.m. Father Bennett P. Constantine will celebrate the funeral Mass at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, November 22, at St. Peter Catholic Church in Eaton Rapids. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Eleanore's name to St. Peter Catholic Church in Eaton Rapids or the Michigan Chapter of the Arthritis Foundation in Southfield.

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MARY MARTHA HOSLER

Mary Martha Hosler, age 92 of Eaton Rapids, died Tuesday, October 31, 2000 in Eaton Rapids. She was born January 15, 1908 in Lansing, the daughter of William F. and Altha E. (Chapman) Hall. Mary was a high school graduate and received her teacher's degree at County Normal. She started teaching in 1929 at Boody Country School, then moved to Royston and then Bentley Country Schools. She ended up at Dimondale Elementary School, and when they merged with Holt, moving to the Holt school system. She retired as a school teacher and the Holt Administration brought her back as a Librarian, and before long became Elementary Library Supervisor for Holt. Mary has been a long standing member of the Robbins United Methodist Church in Eaton Rapids. She was preceded in death by her husband Earl in 1993; 2 brothers, Lyle and Richard Hall; and a granddaughter, Ann Mary Grabow in 1976.

Surviving are 2 children, daughter, Marilyn (Harry) Grabow of Eaton Rapids and son, William L. (Norma) Hosler of Dansville; 4 grandchildren, Joellen Hosler, Chris (Andrea) Hosler, Virginia (Richard) Berry and James (Patricia) Grabow; nephew, Lawrence (Jeraldine) Hall.

Funeral services were Friday, November 3, 2000 from the Robbins United Methodist Church, with Rev. Marty DeBow officiating. Burial followed in the Rosehill Cemetery in Eaton Rapids. Arrangements were made by the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids. For those desiring, a memorial contribution may be made to the Robbins United Methodist Church in memory of Mary M. Hosler.

DONALD ALFRED KNOBLAUCH

Donald Alfred Knoblauch, age 84 of Springport, died October 28, 2000 at Trillium Hospital, Albion. He was born October 20, 1916 in Albion, Michigan the son of Alfred and Agnes (Carlton) Knoblauch. He was a lifelong resident of the Albion area and a Journeyman Plumber working out of Plumber's Union Local 333 in Jackson, MI until his retirement in 1981. He was a Navy Veteran & served in the Seabees during WWII. He was a member of the Elks, VFW & the DAV. He enjoyed sports and was an avid hunter and fisherman. He was preceded in death by his wife, Jane (Tompkins) in 1998; his former wife, Elizabeth (Rutz) Knoblauch; son, Clint Knoblauch and sister, Dorothy Hakes.

Surviving are his daughter, Erdean (Bill) Jason of Venice, FL; 3 sisters, Marge (Arlone) Wessborg of Haslett, MI, Pauline Eldridge of Lakeland, FL and Janice Delaney of East Lansing; and several grandchildren.

According to his wishes, cremation has taken place and there is no visitation. Graveside Memorial Service was held Friday, November 3, 2000 at Albion Memory Gardens with Rev. Cameron South officiating. Arrangements made by the Albion Chapel of Tidd-Williams Funeral Chapels.

SUSANNE (TRAVER) CUSTER ULLREY

Susanne (Traver) Custer Ullrey, of Okemos, died peacefully Wednesday, November 1, 2000, at Hospice House of Mid-Michigan in Sparrow Hospital's St. Lawrence Campus on the same floor where she was born. Her husband, Dr. Duane E. Ullrey, her son, Henry J. Custer, and her two daughters, Kaye C. Chodl and Kim C. Erznosnik, were at her bedside. Her last days were filled with laughter, tears, and wonderful memories. Sue was born February 4, 1930, to Marc and Ruth Traver and was a 1948 graduate of Williamston High School. She was preceded in death by her first husband, Jack L. Custer, and an infant son, Michael. At Michigan State University, she helped identify prospective medical students for the College of Human Medicine for a period of seventeen years. More than that, she loved the students and prepared many a holiday dinner for those who were far from home. Sue was an outstanding cook and a gracious hostess, who made all feel welcome.

She will be sorely missed by her friends and family, including her husband, children, her sons-in-law, James H. Chodl and Michael J. Erznosnik, and her grandchildren, Thomas Henry Chodl, Meghan Jae Erznosnik, Molly L. R. Erznosnik, and Elisabeth Susanne Chodl.

Funeral services were held Saturday, November 4, at the Gorsline-Runciman Co. East Chapel, East Lansing, with Rev. Max Williams, Jr. Pastor of Linworth United Methodist Church, Columbus, OH, officiating. Private interment will be held in Rosehill Cemetery, Eaton Rapids. Those desiring may make contributions to Hospice House of Mid-Michigan, 1210 E. Saginaw, Lansing, MI 48915 or the Capital Area District Libraries, Large-Print Book Collection, 401 S. Capital, Lansing, MI 48933 in her memory.

CHARLES JAMES MARTIN, SR.

Charles James Martin, Sr., age 88 of St. Helen, died Saturday, November 4, 2000 in West Branch. Charles was born September 12, 1912 in Cheboygan, the son of James Hamilton and Clara (Harcourt) Martin and was a direct descendent of Presidents John Adams and John Quincy Adams. He graduated from Lansing Eastern High School, Class of 1931, and lived in the Lansing, Okemos and Eaton Rapids areas until retirement when he spent many years at their cottage in St. Helen. He was employed with Diamond Reo for 20 years, owned and operated Martin Mower Service in Okemos for 15 years and retired from Eaton Stamping in 1977. Mr. Martin was an avid hunter, fisherman, loved to trap and was a member of the NRA and the Michigan Steelhead Association.

Surviving are his wife of 38 years, Theo F.; 3 daughters, Betty (Richard) King of Wellston, Sue (Don) Newland of Florida, Zoanna (Bob) Riley of Lansing; 3 sons, Charles James (Dian) Martin, Jr. of Eaton Rapids, Duff (Nancy) Martin of Leslie, Ralph (Jan) Martin of Lake George; stepson, Dale D. Jones of Lansing; 21 grandchildren; numerous great-grandchildren; 1 great-great-grandson and 1 nephew, Richard Erratt. He was preceded in death by his stepson, Neil Jones in 1997; grandson, Duffy Martin, Jr. in 1982; and sister, Bess Erratt in 1998.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, November 8, 2000, 10 a.m. at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. Graveside services will follow at the Richfield Cemetery, St. Helen, at 3 p.m. The family will receive friends on Tuesday from 2-4 & 6-8 p.m. at the Funeral Home. Those desiring may make contributions to Wildlife Rehabilitation or the Tri County office on Aging, Meals on Wheels, in memory of Charles J. Martin, Sr.

FERGUSON, ESMA S.

Eaton Rapids

Age 93, died Tuesday, October 31, 2000 in Ionia. Esma was born July 10, 1907 in Essex Township., Clinton County, MI, the daughter of Charles Riley and Bessie Ann (Slater) Ferguson. She graduated from County Normal in 1927, Central Michigan University in 1945, was a school teacher for 44 years and taught in the Eaton Rapids Junior High School for 26 years. Esma was a member of the Eaton Rapids BPW, the Garden Club, and was a former member of AAWW. She was also a member of the Ester Circle, the Eaton County and Eaton Rapids Retired Teachers Assoc. and the Delta Kappa Gamma, Eaton County Branch. Surviving are 3 nieces, Marsha Wagner, Sandra Stout both of Ionia, Pamela (James) Hynes of Florida; 5 grandnieces and nephews; 11 great-grandnieces and nephews. Funeral services will be held on **Sunday, Nov. 5, 2000, 2:00 p.m. at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, 518 S. Main, Eaton Rapids** with Rev. Robert Betts officiating. Interment will be at the Lowe Cemetery, Clinton Co., Monday noon. The family will receive friends on Saturday from 2-4 p.m. at the Funeral Home. Those desiring may make contributions to the Lowe Church, St. Johns in memory of Esma Ferguson. www.Legacy.com

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ESMA S. FERGUSON

Esma S. Ferguson, age 93 of Eaton Rapids, died Tuesday, October 31, 2000 in Ionia. Esma was born July 10, 1907 in Essex Twp., Clinton County, Michigan. She was the daughter of Charles Riley and Bessie Ann (Slater) Ferguson. She graduated from County Normal in 1927, Central Michigan University in 1945, and was a schoolteacher for 44 years teaching in the Eaton Rapids Junior High School for 26 years. Esma was a member of the Eaton Rapids BPW, the Garden Club, and was a former member of AAWW. She was also a member of the Ester Circle, the Eaton County and Eaton Rapids Retired Teachers Association and the Delta Kappa Gamma, Eaton County Branch.

Surviving are 3 nieces, Marsha Wagner and Sandra Stout both of Ionia and Pamela (James) Hynes of Florida; 5 grandnieces and nephews; 11 great-grandnieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held on Sunday, November 5, 2000 at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids with Rev. Robert Betts officiating. Interment will be at the Lowe Cemetery, Clinton County. Those desiring may make contributions to the Lowe Church, St. Johns in memory of Esma Ferguson.

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BERNICE ELIZABETH BOWMAN

Bernice Elizabeth Bowman, age 93 of Eaton Rapids, died Thursday, November 2, 2000 at the Pines Nursing Home in Lansing. She was born July 31, 1907 in Hastings, MI, one of 15 children born to Benjamin and Reda (Siebert) Bowman. Bernice began her career here in Eaton Rapids working for Dr. Bert VanArk as his nurse and ran the day to day operations at the Old Eaton Rapids Hospital (Stimpson Hospital), retiring in 1973. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Eaton Rapids. She is preceded in death by her parents and 11 brothers and sisters.

Surviving are 1 sister, Ethel Weisenhofer of Middleville and 2 brothers, Richard Bowman of Lansing and Chester Bowman of Lawton, Oklahoma and numerous nieces and nephews.

Memorial services for Bernice will be held Friday, November 10th, at 3 p.m. from the First Baptist Church in Eaton Rapids with Rev. Scott Boles officiating. Interment of cremains will be at Rutland Cemetery on the family plot in Hastings, MI. For those desiring, a memorial contribution may be made to either the Eaton Rapids Medical Center or the First Baptist Church in memory of Bernice E. Bowman. The family was served through the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids.

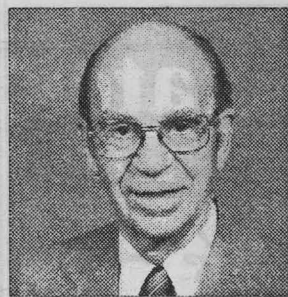
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FRANCIS J. ALLEN



Francis J. Allen, age 95 of Dimondale, went to be with his Lord, October 27, 2000. He was born October 22, 1905, the son of Eugene and Emma (Thompson) Allen. They preceded him in death along with his sister Lena Allen; brother and sister-in-law, Don and Lorraine Allen; sister and brother-in-law, Fern and Roy Twichell and niece, Esther Scott. Francis was a lifetime resident of Dimondale, working at the Bank of Dimondale, the Lyons Hardware Store, and the George Worthington Co. from which he retired. He was a member of the Dimondale Presbyterian Church since 1936. Francis served in many capacities, but was most remembered for his music ministry for 28 years. He played the organ and piano for the youth and adult choirs, worship services for the Presbyterian and Methodist Church and Sunday afternoons at the Jarvis Acres/St. Lawrence Dimondale Center, plus many weddings throughout the years. Francis was a member with the Orpheus Club of Lansing, a men's choir, where he sang 1st bass. He volunteered much of his time to the church, local government and the Dimondale Chapter of the Red Cross. In his spare time he enjoyed traveling with his sister, Fern; gardening, baking, the travel logs at M.S.U., and time spent with the Dimondale Senior Citizens Group. We would like to give a special thank you to the ladies at the New Haven Foster Care Home: Nancy Ness, Angie Arnott, Reni DeChelbor, Brandy Hatt, Lori Jackson, Kristina Mayhew, Dee Dee McGalliard, Christina McKenzie, Ethel Murray, Rosemary Parker, Valerie Parkey and Nancy Sutherland. Thank you for the special care and love you gave to Francis.

Surviving are 3 nephews, Rex (Judy) Twichell, Neil (Jackie) Twichell and Tom (Debbie) Twichell all of Eaton Rapids; 3 nieces, Florence Twichell of Eaton Rapids, Reva (Richard) Lerch of Oak Hill, FL, and Janette (Carl) Williams of Tucson, AZ; 15 grand nephews and nieces; 21 great-grand nephews and nieces and 1 great-great-grand niece.

Funeral services were held at the Dimondale Presbyterian Church on Monday, October 30th. Arrangements were made by the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids. Please direct any donations to the Dimondale Presbyterian Church at P.O. Box 357, Dimondale, MI 48821 or the Hospice of Lansing.

MELBA J. BENNETT

Melba J. Bennett, age 73 of Eaton Rapids, is at peace following a long illness that took her life on Tuesday, October 24, 2000. She was born May 25, 1927 in Gratiot County, the daughter of John and Leona (Edwards) Gibson. Melba was an Eaton Rapids High School graduate, class of 1945. She was a retired Billing Clerk for the Eaton Rapids Community Hospital, and a member of the V.F.W. Auxiliary in Eaton Rapids. Preceding her in death were her parents, father, George Best; husband, Edward Bennett; and daughter, Lynne Jacobs.

Surviving are 4 children, George (Kathy) Sorters of Logan, Utah, Martin Engen of Lansing, Denise Sommer of Charlotte and Cindy Waugh of Dimondale; 14 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were Friday, October 27th from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids. Burial followed in the Rosehill Cemetery in Eaton Rapids.

JOANNE MARIE SCHEFFLER

Joanne Marie Scheffler, age 69 of Onondaga, died Tuesday, October 24, 2000 at her residence. Joanne was born February 10, 1931 in Wyandotte, the daughter of Joseph Leo and Mary Isabel (Brashaw) Callahan. She was preceded in death by her brother, Donald.

Surviving are her husband of 47 years, Richard; 3 daughters, Nancy Joan (Jeffrey) Crose, Kathleen Anne Scheffler both of Onondaga, Suzanne Havekost of San Antonio, TX; 3 grandchildren, Carol Lynn (Gordon) Usher of Pawpaw, Jeffrey Thomas Crose of Onondaga, Gregory Ryan Havekost of San Antonio, TX; 2 brothers, Patrick (Genevieve) Callahan of Winter Haven, FL, Clifford (Barbara) Callahan of Coldwater and numerous nieces and nephews.

Mass of the Christian Burial was prayed Friday, October 27, 2000 at St. Peter Church, Eaton Rapids, with Father Bennett Constantine as Celebrant. The Rosary was prayed on Thursday. Interment will be at the Onondaga Cemetery. Arrangements were by Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. A special thank you to Dr. Hamdan and Dr. Bolmer, the Breslin Cancer Center and the nursing staff of Ingham Regional's 5 North. Memorial contributions may be made to either Joanne's family or the Breslin Cancer Center.

MADLINE M. SNOW

Madeline M. Snow, age 93, formerly of Eaton Rapids, passed away Saturday, October 28, 2000 at Ingham Medical Hospital. She was born September 28, 1907 in Rouselaire, Belgium, and named Madelena Margreta. She was one of eight children born to Camial and Leona (VanCoille) Van Steeland. When still a small child, she immigrated to America with her family arriving at New York Ellis Island on the ship "Postdam" the end of March 1912. Had they embarked later they would have been aboard the "Titanic." Two years after leaving Europe, their former home land Belgium was invaded by the Germans in World War I. Once in the United States, the family settled first in Ohio, then at a farm on Curtis Road in the Mason, Aurelius area. Growing up Madeline helped work the farm without electricity or plumbing and walked the miles of then dirt roads to attend the Pink School which once stood at College and Columbia Roads. The school is now long gone and the roads paved with asphalt. She then moved to Eaton Rapids to live with a married sister so she could attend high school. She worked as a dishwasher at the old Stimson Hospital and graduated with the class of 1927. It was in high school that she met and later married her husband, Clair Snow, on November 16, 1929. They purchased a house at 732 Michigan Street that year and Madeline lived there for over 60 years. She worked at the Eaton Rapids Public Schools as a Kindergarten teachers aid, then as a nurses aid at Eaton Rapids Community Hospital, retiring in 1975. She was also a member of the First United Methodist Church in Eaton Rapids. Her husband Clair preceded her in death July 3rd, 1952, a result of lingering injuries suffered in an auto accident in 1946.

Surviving are 4 children, Robert (Lois) Snow of Springport, Richard (Marlene) Snow of Owosso, JoAnne Snow of Ionia and Annette Snow of Lansing; 8 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be Tuesday, October 31 at 1 p.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids with Rev. Tom Evans officiating. Interment will follow in the Rosehill Cemetery in Eaton Rapids. For those desiring, a memorial contribution may be made to the Ingham County Medical

DORR K. ELLSWORTH

Dorr K. Ellsworth, age 65 of Springport, died Wednesday, October 25, 2000 at a Lansing hospital. He was born December 10, 1934 in Aurelius Township in Ingham County, the son of Clyde and Bernice (Hall) Ellsworth. Dorr was an Eaton Rapids High School graduate, class of 1953. He was a former Purchasing Manager for Camshaft Machine in Jackson and retired from Dart Container in Mason in January of this year. Dorr had worked several years as a 4-H Leader and was on the board of the Eaton County 4-H Council. He was a member of the Shipping and Receiving Association of Michigan, a member of the Purchasing Managers Association of Michigan, and the Springport Lions Club.

Surviving are his wife of 45 years, Beverly; 3 children, Christopher Ellsworth of Eaton Rapids, Julia (Steven) Pierce of Eaton Rapids and Kevin (Gisela) Ellsworth of Hollywood, FL; 2 grandchildren, Brooke (Kirk) Wiltse and Drew Pierce of Eaton Rapids; great-granddaughter, Athena Wiltse; brother, Dale (Sue) Ellsworth and sister, Mary Gates all of Eaton Rapids; several nieces and nephews; mother-in-law, Dolores Hosler of Eaton Rapids and sister-in-law Liz (Rich) Vandermolen of Eaton Rapids.

Funeral services were held October 28th from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids with the Rev. Lambert McClintic officiating. Burial followed in the Griffith Cemetery in Jackson County. For those desiring, a memorial contribution may be made to the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan, Inc. at 2350 S. Huron Parkway, Ann Arbor, MI 48104, in memory of Dorr K. Ellsworth.

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**DEBORAH ANN
(PIERPOINT) SHORE**

Deborah Ann (Pierpoint) Shore, age 44 of Eaton Rapids, died Wednesday, October 18, 2000 at the Hospice House of Mid-Michigan, St. Lawrence Campus in Lansing. She was born December 14, 1955 in Detroit, the daughter of Herbert and Jane (Lonyo) Pierpoint. Deb was an Eaton Rapids High School graduate, class of 1974, and received her associates degree from Davidson County Community College in 1994. She had lived the past 20 years in North Carolina, where she worked as a Medical Records Clerk for hospitals. Preceding her in death was a brother, Charles Pierpoint in 1987.

Surviving are her husband, Benny; 3 daughters, Christal Hughes, Maida (Roger) Martin, and Kerry Shore all of Thomasville, NC; 3 grandchildren, Selena Shore, Benny Hughes and Dustin Stillwell; father, Herbert Pierpoint of Eaton Rapids; mother, Jane (Claude) Lambert of Pulaski, VA; brother, Thomas (Sue) Pierpoint and sister, Beverly (Joe) Mientkiewicz and sister-in-law, Diane Pierpoint all of Eaton Rapids; several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were Saturday, October 21 from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids. Graveside services were at Grand Lawn Cemetery in Detroit. For those desiring, a memorial contribution may be made to either the Hospice House of Mid-Michigan or the Eaton Community Hospice, in memory of Deborah Ann Shore.

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RONALD C. GALLUPS

Ronald C. Gallups, age 51 of Eaton Rapids, died Tuesday, October 17, 2000. Ronald was born October 12, 1949 in McKinney, Texas, the son of Claude and Betty (Flannery) Gallups. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army serving during Vietnam, a life member of the Purple Heart Association and was awarded the Silver Service Star. Ron was the owner and operator of Gallups Paint Contracting. He was preceded in death by his father, Claude Gallups; sister, Charlotte and brother, Gary.

Surviving are his loving wife of 14 years, Diane (Browder). He was a loving father of 3 daughters, Christy (Paul), Mistie and Tamera; loving father of 2 sons, Mike (Kris) and Chris; loving grandfather of Jordan, Dakotah, Ryan; loving son of Betty Gallups of Texas; loving brother to Mike (Judy), Glen, Jody (Harold) Davis and Kathy (Billy) Newport all of Texas; and several nieces and nephews.

Graveside services were held in Texas at the Chambersville Cemetery. Arrangements were by the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids.

GENEVA MILLER

Geneva Miller, age 76 of Springport, went to be with her Lord on Friday, October 20, 2000 at her residence. Geneva was born January 9, 1924 in Jackson, KY, the daughter of James Monroe and Elizabeth (Hale) Caudill. She was a member of the Fellowship Baptist Church (formerly the Southern United Baptist Church) in Albion. She was preceded in death by her husband, Harlow in 1985.

Surviving are her 3 daughters, Josephine (Charles) Arrington of Bardwell, KY, Bette Johnson of Springport, Gayenell Miller of Arlington, KY; 3 sons, Glenn (Nell) Miller of Eaton Rapids, Claude Miller of Allen, Harlin (Linda) of Hillsdale; 25 grandchildren; 39 great-grandchildren and 10 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, October 24, 2000, 1:00 p.m., at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids, with Rev. James Snyder officiating. Interment will follow at the Springport Cemetery. Those desiring may make contributions to Hartland Hospice, 700 W. Ash, Mason, MI 48854 in memory of Geneva Miller.

**JOHN FREDRICK
STRADER**

John Fredrick Strader, age 80 of LaFeria, TX formerly of Eaton Rapids, died Wednesday, October 18, 2000 at his residence. He was born October 3, 1920 in Menasha, WI, the son of Mert and Mary Net (Linskin) Strader. John has lived the past 10 years in Texas. He retired in 1982 from C.R. Equipment Sales in Lansing and was an Army Veteran of World War II. A life member of the Moose Lodge #288 in Lansing, a member of the Eagles in Holt and a member of the Springport V.F.W. Preceding him in death was his wife Joan in 1967.

Surviving are 2 sons, Conner (Vickie) Strader of Eaton Rapids, and Guy W. (Roxanne) Strader of Elizabeth, West Virginia; 1 grandchild, Johnette (Ken) Edwards of N.C.; 3 great-grandchildren, Crystal, Steven and Keesha; 5 step-grandchildren, Laurie, Elizabeth, Tom, Christy and Melissa; step-brother, Marvin (Alvina) Strader.

Funeral services were held Monday, October 23rd, from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids.

BENNETT, MELBA J.

Eaton Rapids

Age 73, is at peace, following a long illness that took her life on Tuesday, October 24, 2000. Born May 25, 1927 in Gratiot County, the daughter of John and Leona (Edwards) Gibson. Melba was an Eaton Rapids High School graduate, class of 1945. She was a retired Billing Clerk for the Eaton Rapids Community Hospital, and a member of the V.F.W. Auxiliary in Eaton Rapids. Preceding her in death were her parents, father, George Best, husband, Edward Bennett, and daughter, Lynne Jacobs. Surviving are 4 children, George (Kathy) Sorters of Logan, UT, Martin Engen of Lansing, Denise Sommer of Charlotte and Cindy Waugh of Dimondale; 14 grandchildren; and 2 great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews. **Funeral Services will be held Friday, October 27 at 1 p.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids.** Burial will follow in the Rosehill Cemetery in Eaton Rapids. The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Thursday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m.

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SNOW, MADELINE M.

Formerly of Eaton Rapids

Age 93, died Saturday, October 28, 2000 at a Lansing hospital. Born September 28, 1907 in Rooslar, Belgium, one of eight children born to Camial and Leona (VanColley) Van-Steeland. Madeline retired as a Teacher's Aid for the Eaton Rapids Schools and was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Eaton Rapids. Preceding her in death was her husband, Clair in 1952, and 4 sisters and 3 brothers. Surviving are 4 children, Robert (Lois) Snow of Springport, Richard (Marlene) Snow of Owosso, JoAnne Snow of Ionia and Annette Snow of Lansing; 8 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews. **Funeral services will be Tuesday, October 31 at 1 p.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids** with the Rev. Tom Evans, officiating. Interment will follow in the Rosehill Cemetery in Eaton Rapids. For those desiring, a memorial contribution may be made to the Ingham County Medical Care Facility at 3860 Dobie Rd., Okemos, MI.

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HOWARD FLOYD HISLER
 August 25, 1957 -
 October 13, 2000

Eaton Rapids



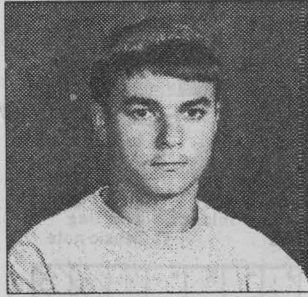
Age 43, went to be with the Lord on Friday, October 13, 2000. Born August 25, 1957 in Eaton Rapids, the son of Howard D. and Gwen (Wilbur) Hisler.

Howard was an Eaton Rapids High School graduate, class of 1975. He worked as a Maintenance Supervisor for the Michigan Packaging Co. in Mason for 23 years. A member of the First Baptist Church in Eaton Rapids and was a member of the Hamlin Township Fire Department and an Emergency Medical Technician. He was preceded in death by a brother, Steven Hisler in 1990. Surviving are girlfriend, Julie Beurmann of Eaton Rapids; 2 children, Jacob Hisler of Charlotte and Jane Hisler of Eaton Rapids; parents, Howard D. (Dorothy) Hisler of Eaton Rapids and Gwen (Richard) Oberlin of Fredericks, TX; grandparents, Margaret Wilbur of Eaton Rapids and Leota Trainor of Palmetto, FL; brothers and sisters, Dian (Brad) Brummette, Mark (Melissa) Hisler, Wendy (James) Wickman, Jeff (Beth) Palmer, Julie Thompson, Jim (Serena) Palmer, Carrie (Jason) Roemer, Phil (Kelli) Oberlin, James (Jody) Dean, Rob Oberlin, Rick (Candi) Oberlin, Ronnie (Jennifer) Oberlin and Lisa (Michael) Clore; several nieces and nephews, aunts, uncles and cousins. Funeral services will be **Tuesday, October 17 at 1 p.m. from the First Baptist Church in Eaton Rapids** with the Rev. Scott Boles, officiating. Burial will follow in the Rosehill Cemetery in Eaton Rapids with honor guard and pallbearers provided by the Hamlin Township Fire Department. Visitation will be Sunday and Monday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. at the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids. For those desiring, a memorial contribution may be made to the Hamlin Township Fire Department, in memory of Howard F. Hisler. *LSJ 10/15/00*

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ROBERT MICHAEL "BOBBY" SMITH

Robert Michael "Bobby" Smith, age 16 of Eaton Rapids, passed from this life on Wednesday, October 11, 2000. Bobby was born on February 14, 1984 in Lansing, the son of Robert C. and Linda M. (Thurston) Smith. He attended the Eaton Rapids High School. liked to play on the computer and listen to music and play video games with his brother. Adam and cousin, Steve. He enjoyed the out-of-doors, with campfires, working around the home and hunting with his dad. Bobby was a very kind sensitive and shy young man. and to his brother, Adam. wasn't just a brother, he was a friend. His family will always love and miss him, and they know he is with God now.

Surviving are his parents, Bob and Linda; brother, Adam; half-sister, Heidi Smith. Nephews, Johnny Rendon and Austin Potter; niece, Deserae Potter; grandparents, Roger and Verna Thurston and Mary Smith; great-grandparents, Lloyd and Doris Nichols; aunts and uncles, Marie and Dave Denman, Lee and Karen Thurston, Lynn and Lori Thurston, Bob and Sandy Thurston, and Jack Smith; cousins, Steve, Angela and Randall Denman, Matt Hunter, Tara, Eric, Craig, Brian, Kari, Josh and Ronni Thurston, Sara Adams and Sam Smith.

Memorial services for Bobby were held at the family home on Friday, October 13th at 1 p.m. with the Rev. Tom Evans of the First United Methodist Church officiating. A memorial designation has not been made at this time, but for those desiring, contributions may be made directly to the family in memory of Robert Michael Smith and can be mailed directly to the family or to Skinner Funeral Home at: 315 S. River St., Eaton Rapids, MI 48827.



HOWARD FLOYD HISLER

Howard Floyd Hisler, age 43 of Eaton Rapids, went to be with the Lord on Friday, October 13, 2000. He was born August 25, 1957 in Eaton Rapids, the son of Howard D. and Gwen (Wilbur) Hisler. Howard was an Eaton Rapids High School Graduate, class of 1975. He worked as a Maintenance Supervisor for the Michigan Packaging Co. in Mason for 23 years. He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Eaton Rapids, a member of the Hamlin Township Fire Department and an Emergency Medical Technician. He was preceded in death by a brother, Steven Hisler in 1990.

Surviving are girlfriend, Julie Beurmann of Eaton Rapids; 2 children, Jacob Hisler of Eaton Rapids; parents, Howard D. (Dorothy) Hisler of Eaton Rapids and Gwen (Richard) Oberlin of Fredericks, TX; grandparents, Margaret Wilbur of Eaton Rapids and Leota Trainor of Palmetto, FL; brothers and sisters, Dian (Brad) Brummette, Mark (Melissa) Hisler, Wendy (James) Wickman, Jeff (Beth) Palmer, Julie Thompson, Jim (Serena) Palmer, Carrie (Jason) Roemer, Phil (Kelli) Oberlin, James (Jody) Dean, Rob Oberlin, Rick (Candi) Oberlin, Ronnie (Jennifer) Oberlin and Lisa (Michael) Clore; several nieces and nephews, aunts, uncles and cousins.

Funeral services will be Tuesday, October 17th at 1 p.m. from the First Baptist Church in Eaton Rapids with the Rev. Scott Boles officiating. Burial will follow in the Rosehill Cemetery in Eaton Rapids with honor guard and pallbearers provided by the Hamlin Township Fire Dept. Arrangements by the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids. For those desiring, a memorial contribution may be made to the Hamlin Township Fire Department, in memory of Howard F. Hisler.

SHORE, DEBORAH ANN (PIERPOINT)

Eaton Rapids

Age 44, died Wednesday, October 18, 2000 at the Hospice House of Mid-Michigan, St. Lawrence Campus in Lansing. Born December 14, 1955 in Detroit, the daughter of Herbert and Jane (Lonyo) Pierpoint. Deb was an Eaton Rapids High School graduate, class of 1974, and received her associates degree from Davidson County Community College in 1994. She had lived the past 20 years in North Carolina, where she worked as a Medical Records Clerk for hospitals. Preceding her in death was a brother, Charles Pierpoint in 1987. Surviving are her husband, Benny; 3 daughters, Christal Hughes, Maida (Roger) Martin, and Kerry Shore all of Thomasville, NC; 3 grandchildren, Selena Shore, Benny Hughes and Dustin Stillwell; father, Herbert Pierpoint of Eaton Rapids; mother, Jane (Claude) Lambert of Pulaski, VA; brother, Thomas (Sue) Pierpoint and sister, Beverly (Joe) Mientkiewicz and sister-in-law, Diane Pierpoint all of Eaton Rapids; several nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be **Saturday, October 21 at 9 a.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids.** Graveside services will be Saturday at 12:30 p.m. at Grand Lawn Cemetery in Detroit. Visitation will be Friday evening from 6-9 p.m. at the funeral home. For those desiring, a memorial contribution may be made to either the Hospice House of Mid-Michigan or the Eaton Community Hospice, in memory of Deborah Ann Shore.

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IVAN HENRY PECK

Ivan Henry Peck, age 82 of Lansing, died Tuesday, September 26, 2000. He was born March 23, 1918 in Eaton Rapids, the son of David and Ethel (Zentmyer) Peck. Mr. Peck was a retired Supervisor for the State of Michigan, a life member of the I.O.O.F. in Bellaire and a member of the Eagles in Holt. Preceding him in death were his wives Olive (Shelton) and Virginia (Potter).

Surviving are 5 children, Charlene (Jerry) James of Horton, David (Glenda) Peck of Mason, Lucinda (Charles) Harrison of Norfolk, VA, Penny Peck of Norfolk, VA and Evelee Williams of Sun City, CA; 2 step-children, Richard (Dorothy) Warner of Texas and Judy Vstula of DeWitt; 14 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren; sister, Bea (George) Long of Eaton Rapids; and several nieces and nephews.

Private memorial services will be held at a later date. The family is being served through the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids.

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KENNETH UMBARGER

Kenneth Umbarger of Charlotte, formerly of Eaton Rapids, died Sunday, October 1, 2000 at the age of 76. Kenneth was born October 25, 1923 in Brookfield Twp. the son of James Alton and Flossie Marie (Rochester) Umbarger. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy serving in WWII, a life member of the VFW National Home and a member of the Potterville VFW Post #6334. Ken retired as an inspector from Olds in 1985. He was preceded in death by his brother, Maynard, and his sister, Hazel Clough.

Surviving are his wife of 54 years, Sarah; 2 daughters, Sandy Southward of Charlotte and Penny (David) Louth of Lansing; 2 sons, Darwin (Maggi) Umbarger of Eaton Rapids and Jeffery Kenneth (Kaye) Umbarger of Dimondale; 7 grandchildren; 3 great-grandchildren; 3 brothers, Howard (Ruth) Umbarger of Eaton Rapids, Maurice (June) Umbarger of Charlotte, Delton "Bud" (Darlene) Umbarger of Beaverton; 2 sisters, Margaret (Duane) Livingston of Eaton Rapids, Charlene (Bruce) Dowding of Olivet and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, October 4, 2000, 2 p.m. at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. Interment will follow at Brickyard Cemetery. Casket bearers will be Kevin Umbarger, Thad Southward, Justin Southward, and Seth Dean. The family will receive friends on Tuesday from 1-3 & 6-8 p.m. at the Funeral Home. www.Legacy.com

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SCARBRO, LINDA L.

Eaton Rapids

Age 51, formerly of Columbiaville, died Thursday, October 5, 2000 at her residence following a terminal illness. Born March 11, 1949 in Lansing, the daughter of Gene and Ludema (McNatt) VanAtta. She was preceded in death by her mother, Ludema Pearson. Surviving are her husband, Lawrence; 3 daughters, Shannon (Tim) Smith of Mayville, Sheila (Bob) Hancock of Davison, and Lisa (Pete) Bennett of Lapeer; 8 grandchildren; father and step-mother, Gene and Sharon VanAtta of Fowlerville; 12 brothers and sisters, Nancy Bradford of Colorado, Ralph Snyder of Lansing, Roger Snyder of Lansing, Alan Ott of Three Rivers, Kendall Ott of Aurelius, Douglas Ott of Lansing, Randy VanAtta of Fowlerville, Mike VanAtta of Perry, Harry VanAtta of Dansville, Rick VanAtta of Webberville, Kathy Greenhill of Shepherd and Matt VanAtta of Williamston and several nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be **Saturday, October 7, at 11 a.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids**, with the Rev. Stephen Klink officiating. Burial will follow in the Oakwood Cemetery in Eaton Rapids. Family will receive friends Friday evening from 6-8 p.m. at the funeral home. For those desiring a memorial contribution may be made to either the A.L.S. Association, Hospice of Lansing or the Eaton Community Hospice in memory of Linda L. Scarbro.

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LINDA LOU SCARBRO

Linda L. Scarbro, age 51 of Eaton Rapids, formerly of Columbiaville, died Thursday, October 5, 2000 at her residence following a terminal illness. She was born March 11, 1949 in Lansing, the daughter of Gene and Ludema (McNatt) VanAtta. She was preceded in death by her mother, Ludema Pearson.

Surviving are her husband, Lawrence; 3 daughters, Shannon (Tim) Smith of Mayville, Sheila (Bob) Hancock of Davison, and Lisa (Pete) Bennett of Lapeer; father and step-mother, Gene and Sharon Vanatta of Fowlerville; 8 grandchildren; 12 brothers and sisters, Nancy Bradford of Colorado, Ralph Snyder of Lansing, Roger Snyder of Lansing, Alan Ott of Three Rivers, Kendall Ott of Aurelius, Douglas Ott of Lansing, Randy VanAtta of Fowlerville, Mike VanAtta of Perry, Harry VanAtta of Dansville, Rick VanAtta of Webberville, Kathy Greenhill of Shepherd and Matt VanAtta of Williamston; several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Saturday, October 7, 2000 from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids with the Rev. Stephen Klink of the Community Christian Church officiating. Burial followed in the Oakwood Cemetery in Eaton Rapids. Pallbearers were Harley McNatt, DuWayne Ryckman, Raymond Carter, Charles Carter, Rusty Heeter and Marvin Davis. For those desiring, a memorial contribution may be made to either the A.L.S. Association, Hospice of Lansing or the Eaton Community Hospice, in memory of Linda L. Scarbro.

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AGNES HELEN WILLIAMS

Agnes Helen Williams, age 68 of Lansing, died Friday, September 15, 2000 at the Hospice House of Mid-Michigan at the St. Lawrence Campus. She was born February 1, 1932 in Eaton Rapids, the daughter of Arthur Ward and Margaret Henrietta (Marquardt) Philo. Mrs. Williams was a retired employee of General Motors in Lansing. A member of the Moose Lodge #288 in Lansing, the Eagles and American Legion Auxillary Post #238 both in Holt. Preceding her in death were her parents, 4 brothers, and 2 sisters.

Surviving are 3 children, John (Marsha) Ludtke of Eaton Rapids, Marsha Conlin of Florida, and Margaret Parlor of Lansing; 5 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild; 4 sisters, Mary Kikendall of Eaton Rapids, Delberta Grimm, Maxine Wooden and Verna Byron all of Lansing; several nieces and nephews.

Memorial services were held on Tuesday, September 19th at 1 p.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids with the Rev. Francis Dunn-Simon of Faith Tabernacle Church in Lansing officiating. Burial followed in the Glendale Cemetery in Okemos.



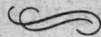
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DONALD ROBERT CADY

Donald R. Cady, age 86 of Eaton Rapids, died Tuesday, September 19, 2000. He was born March 8, 1914 in Evangeline Twp., Charlevoix County, the son of LeRoy and Evelena (Howie) Cady. Don was retired from Miller's Dairy as Cheif Operator for the Hydro-Diesel Plant at Smithville in Eaton Rapids. He was a member and past president of the Eaton Rapids Kiwanis Club. He was preceded in death by son, Don and daughter, Shirley Smith; 3 brothers and 4 sisters.

Surviving are his wife of 57 years, Lillian; 6 daughters, Anita Gordos of Charlotte, Jackie (Burt) Warner of New Mexico, Connie Corbin of Zepherhills, FL, Sandy (William) Frasher, Mary (Alvin) Glassbrook and Linda (Nick) Kostopoulos all of Eaton Rapids; Special son and daughter, Dick and Judy Smith of Eaton Rapids; and daughter-in-law, Brenda Cady; 27 grandchildren, 57 great-grandchildren and 1 great-great-grandchild; brother, Perry Cady of Florida; 2 sisters, Verlie McDonald of Eaton Rapids and Margaret Giddings of Dimondale; sister-in-law, Gladys Cady of Eaton Rapids; several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Friday, September 22nd from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids with Rev. Carl Barrett officiating. Burial was in the Rosehill Cemetery in Eaton Rapids. For those desiring, a memorial contribution may be made to Eaton Community Hospice at 313 Lansing Street, Charlotte, MI 48813 in memory of Donald R. Cady.



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Rejoice Dear Hearts and do not cry - I did not die - but only changed in a twinkling of an eye - to join my savior in the sky. I'll wait for you there and joyfully we'll be together again, for Eternity. The heart of our family started her new journey Wednesday, September 20, 2000 at the age of 65. Until we meet again, her kindness, her laugh, her sweetness and her dark happy eyes will be deeply missed. Her love of birds, her flower gardens and her many trips to their place on the lake gave her great happiness and peace. She loved her Lord and savior, Jesus Christ, her husband and her children with all her heart.

Surviving are her husband of 47 years, Dennis Ide and her six beautiful children, Valerie (Paul) Weston, Marguerite Smith, Denise Ide, Kevin (Belinda) Ide, Martha (Steve) Graves and Elizabeth (Paul) McCalla, plus nine dear grandchildren, Kelly, Trinity, Sean, Jacob, Joshua, Hannah, Victoria, Justin and Garrett who were in her prayers and part of her life always.

Visitation for family and friends was held at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids on Friday. Final Services will be with her immediate family in a private ceremony. A special thanks to nurse Kathy Myasato and Margaret Kyser for their loving care. Donations may be made to Eaton Community Hospice. www.legacy.com

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PECK, IVAN HENRY

Lansing

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UMBARGER, KENNETH

Charlotte Formerly of Eaton Rapids



Age 76, died Sunday, October 1, 2000, in Lansing. Kenneth was born October 25, 1923, in Brookfield Twp., the son of James Alton and Flossie Marie (Rochester) Umbarger. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy, serving in World War II; a life member of the VFW National Home; and a member of the Potterville VFW Post #6334. Ken retired as an inspector from Olds in 1985. He was preceded in death by his brother, Maynard and his sister, Hazel Clough. Surviving are his wife of 54 years, Sarah; 2 daughters, Sandy Southward of Charlotte and Penny (David) Louth of Lansing; 2 sons, Darwin (Maggi) Umbarger of Eaton Rapids and Jeffery Kenneth (Kaye) Umbarger of Dimondale; 7 grandchildren; 3 great grandchildren; 3 brothers, Howard (Ruth) Umbarger of Eaton Rapids, Maurice (June) Umbarger of Charlotte and Delton "Bud" (Darlene) Umbarger of Beaverton; 2 sisters, Margaret (Duane) Livingston of Eaton Rapids and Charlene (Bruce) Dowding of Olivet; and several nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be held on **Wednesday, October 4, 2000, 2 p.m. at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, 518 S. Main, Eaton Rapids.** Interment will follow at Brickyard Cemetery. The family will receive friends on Tuesday from 1-3 & 6-8 p.m. at the Funeral Home. WWW.Legacy.com

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CADY, DONALD R.

Eaton Rapids

Age 86; died Tuesday, September 19, 2000. Born March 8, 1914 in Evangeline Twp., Charlevoix County, son of LeRoy and Evelena (Howie) Cady. Don was retired from Miller's Dairy as Chief Operator for the Hydro-Diesel Plant at Smithville, in Eaton Rapids. A member and past president of the Eaton Rapids Kiwanis Club. He was preceded in death by son, Don and daughter, Shirley Smith; 3 brothers and 4 sisters. Surviving are his wife of 57 years, Lillian; 6 daughters, Anita Gordos of Charlotte, Jackie (Burt) Warner of New Mexico, Connie Corbin of Zepherhills, FL, Sandy (William) Frasher, Mary (Alvin) Glassbrook and Linda (Nick) Kostopoulos, all of Eaton Rapids; special son and daughter, Dick and Judy Smith of Eaton Rapids; and daughter-in-law, Brenda Cady; 27 grandchildren, 57 great-grandchildren; and 1 great-great-grandchild; brother, Perry Cady of Florida; 2 sisters, Verlie McDonald of Eaton Rapids and Margaret Giddings of Dimondale; sister-in-law, Gladys Cady of Eaton Rapids; several nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be **Friday, September 22 at 1:00 p.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids** with Rev. Carl Barrett, officiating. Burial will be in the Rosehill Cemetery in Eaton Rapids. Visitation will be Thursday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. For those desiring, a memorial contribution may be made to Eaton Community Hospice at 313 Lansing St., Charlotte, MI 48813 in memory of Donald R. Cady.

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MONTIE, MARY E.

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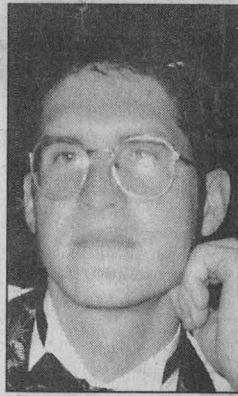
Age 70, died Wednesday, September 13, 2000 at Saint Mary's Hospital in Grand Rapids. Born May 28, 1930 in Eaton Rapids the daughter of William and Mildred (Boody)

Holwig. Mary was an Eaton Rapids High School graduate, class of 1948. She was formerly employed at Big Wheel and most recently a secretary for Jeff Teachout Builders both in Charlotte and was a member of the Jehovah Witness Kingdom Hall in Charlotte. Preceding her in death were her parents; brother, Harry "Zeke" Holwig; and sister, Margaret Meyer. Surviving are her husband of 50 years, Myron; 5 children, Michael (Mary) Montie of Ionia, Patrick (Diane) Montie of Dimondale, Kathy Church of Eaton Rapids, John (Peggy) Montie of Charlotte and Debra (Jeff) Teachout of Charlotte; 9 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren; brother, Guy (Gretchen) Holwig of Beaver Lake; sister-in-law, Helen Holwig of Eaton Rapids and brother-in-law, Hal Meyer of Beaver Lake; several nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be **Saturday, September 16 at 11 a.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids.** Visitation will be Thursday and Friday from 7-8:30 p.m. For those desiring, a memorial contribution may be made to either the Jehovah Witness Kingdom Hall in Charlotte or Saint Mary's Cancer Center in Grand Rapids in memory of Mary E. Montie.

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LANKTON, ERIC

Eaton Rapids



Age 22, died Thursday, September 14, 2000, as the result of an auto accident in East Lansing. Eric was born January 6, 1978, in Eaton Rapids, the son of Fred Allen and

Sally Jean (Gogarn) Lankton II. He graduated from Eaton Rapids High School, Class of 1997, and the Motorcycle Mechanic's Institute in Arizona in 1999. Eric's great passion in life was Motocross Racing and he was sponsored by the College Bike Shop in 1999 and Baldy's Allbike in Eaton Rapids for the 2000 season. He was preceded in death by his father, Fred in 1985. Surviving are his son, Kody Andrew Lankton; mother, Sally J. Lankton of Lansing; 4 brothers, Fred (Patty) Lankton of Eaton Rapids, Henry (Lynn) Lankton of Leslie, Robert (April) Lankton of Eaton Rapids, Wade (Evie) Lankton of Onondaga; 2 sisters, Julie (Chris) Rumer of Arizona, Joanna Wherry of Eaton Rapids; 9 nieces and nephews, Zachary, Valerie, Victoria, Alexis, Autumn, Ashley, Robert Jr. and Ariel Lankton, Kenny Wherry; grandparents, Robert (Pauline) Gogarn of Lansing, Jean Gogarn of Lansing and Madonna Derstein of Stockbridge; also, Kody's mother, Angela Hahn. Funeral services will be held on **Monday, September 18, 2000, 11:00 a.m. at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, 518 S. Main, Eaton Rapids** with Rev. Stephen Klink officiating. Interment will follow at Oakwood Cemetery, Eaton Rapids. The family will receive friends on Sunday from 2-4 & 6-8 p.m. at the Funeral Home. Those desiring may make contributions to the Gideon Memorial Bibles in memory of Eric Lankton. WWW.Legacy.com

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ERIC LANKTON

Eric Lankton, age 22 of Eaton Rapids, died Thursday, September 14, 2000 as the result of an auto accident in East Lansing. Eric was born January 6, 1978 in Eaton Rapids, the son of Fred Allen and Sally Jean (Gogarn) Lankton II. He graduated from Eaton Rapids High School, Class of 1997 and the Motorcycle Mechanic's Institute in Arizona in 1999. Eric's great passion in life was Motocross Racing and he was sponsored by the College Bike Shop in 1999 and Baldy's Allbike in Eaton Rapids for the 2000 season. He was preceded in death by his father, Fred, in 1985.

Surviving are his son, Kody Andrew Lankton; mother, Sally J. Lankton of Lansing; 4 brothers, Fred (Patty) Lankton of Eaton Rapids, Henry (Lynn) Lankton of Leslie, Robert (April) Lankton of Eaton Rapids, Wade (Evie) Lankton of Onondaga; 2 sisters, Julie (Chris) Rumer of Arizona, Joanna Wherry of Eaton Rapids; 9 nieces and nephews, Zachary, Valerie, Victoria, Alexis, Autumn, Ashley, Robert Jr. and Ariel Lankton, Kenny Wherry; grandparents, Robert (Pauline) Gogarn of Lansing, Jean Gogarn of Lansing, Madonna Derstein of Stockbridge and Kody's mother, Angela Hahn.

Funeral services were held September 18, 2000 at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids, with Rev. Stephen Klink officiating. Interment followed at Oakwood Cemetery, Eaton Rapids. Those desiring may make contributions to the Gideon Memorial Bibles in memory of Eric Lankton.

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AGNES HELEN WILLIAMS

Agnes Helen Williams, age 68 of Lansing, died Friday, September 15, 2000 at the Hospice House of Mid-Michigan at the St. Lawrence Campus. She was born February 1, 1932 in Eaton Rapids, the daughter of Arthur Ward and Margaret Henrietta (Marquardt) Philo. Mrs. Williams was a retired employee of General Motors in Lansing. A member of the Moose Lodge #288 in Lansing, the Eagles and American Legion Auxillary Post #238 both in Holt. Preceding her in death were her parents, 4 brothers, and 2 sisters.

Surviving are 3 children, John (Marsha) Lugtke of Eaton Rapids, Marsha Conlin of Florida, and Margaret Parlor of Lansing; 5 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild; 4 sisters, Mary Kikendall of Eaton Rapids, Delberta Grimm, Maxine Wooden and Verna Byron all of Lansing; several nieces and nephews.

Memorial services will be held on Tuesday, September 19th at 1 p.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids with the Rev. Francis Dunn-Simon of Faith Tabernacle Church in Lansing officiating. Burial will follow in the Glendale Cemetery in Okemos.



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RICKY ALLEN WINTERS

Ricky Allen Winters, age 47 of Eaton Rapids, died Thursday, September 7, 2000. He was born January 27, 1953 in Eaton Rapids, the son of Allen Sr. and Francis "Dolly" (Hayward) Winters. Rick was an Eaton Rapids High School graduate, class of 1971. He was employed as a route salesman for Perfection Bakery, formerly Schafer Bakery, in Lansing for the past 17 years and was previously employed for 10 years at Kroger in Lansing. He was preceded in death by his parents, Allen and Dolly.

He is survived by 2 daughters, Rebecca and Katrina Winters both at home; granddaughter, Morgan Weessies and her family, Stacey and Brent Weessies and their daughter, Megan, all of Portage; 2 brothers and 2 sisters, Rodney (Pat) Winters of Saranac, April (Jim) Colosky of Eaton Rapids, Allen (Karen) Winters of Harrison and Nakoatta (Michael) Seale of Harrison; several nieces and nephews, aunts and uncles and cousins.

Funeral services were Sunday, September 10th from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids with the Rev. Stephen Klink of the Community Christian Church in Eaton Rapids, officiating. Burial was in the Oakwood Cemetery in Hamlin Township.

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LAURIE RAE WINTERS

Laurie Rae Winters, age 40, of Eaton Rapids, died Thursday, September 7, 2000. She was born July 26, 1960 in Eaton Rapids, the daughter of Leroy and Beverly (Dawley) Bouts. Laurie was an Eaton Rapids High School graduate, class of 1978. She was employed as a Lead Billing Clerk for Blue Cross, through Sparrow Health Services in Lansing for the past 22 years, and formerly had worked for St. Lawrence, before their merger.

She is survived by her 2 daughters, Rebecca and Katrina Winters, both at home; her parents, Leroy and Beverly Bouts of Eaton Rapids; a granddaughter, Morgan Weessies and her family, Stacey and Brent Weessies and their daughter, Megan, all of Portage; a brother, Zachary (Elizabeth) Bouts of Brooklyn; niece and nephew, Rudy and J.R. Ennis; a sister, Trisha Bouts and fiance, Dave Miah of Koln, Germany.

Funeral services were Sunday, September 10th from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids with the Rev. Stephen Klink of the Community Christian Church in Eaton Rapids, officiating. Burial was in the Oakwood Cemetery in Hamlin Township.



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CECIL H. WRIGHT

Cecil H. Wright, age 85 of Eaton Rapids, died Tuesday, September 5, 2000 in Eaton Rapids. Cecil was born June 24, 1915 in Mecosta, the son of Floyd P. and Ilah O. (Fleck) Wright. Mr. Wright was a Veteran of the U.S. Army serving in WWII and a member of the Charlotte VFW Post #2406 and the Charlotte American Legion Post #42. He was employed with the Rail Road for 20 years from 1957 to 1977 and was the co-owner of C.H. and J.E. Wright Accounting and Tax Service in Eaton Rapids. Cecil was a member of the Eaton Rapids Masonic Lodge and the Independent Accountants Association.

Surviving are his wife of 52 years, Joyce (Pollard); 3 daughters, Jody (Josh) Tenenberg of WA, Pamela Wright of Eaton Rapids, Teresa (Steve Peters) Wright of CO; son Gregory (Stephany) Wright of CO; 3 grandchildren, Jeff, Aric and Bret Wright; 2 great-grandchildren, Adam and Kathrine Wright; brother, Vern (Barb) Wright of Laingsburg; 3 sisters, Bea Lovell of Traverse City, Imogene Wright of Lansing, and Donna Bibler of Albion.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, September 9, 2000 at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids, with Rev. Stephen Klink officiating. Interment followed at Rosehill Cemetery, Eaton Rapids with Military Honors presented by the Charlotte VFW Post #2406. Those desiring may make contributions to the American Diabetes Assoc. in memory of Cecil H. Wright.

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HELEN EVA MCCONNELL

Helen Eva McConnell of Onondaga, Michigan, passed away September 6, 2000 at the age of 86. Born February 20, 1914 in Dansville, Michigan, she was the daughter of John and Anna (Smegal) Thomas. Helen enjoyed the out-of-doors, fishing, gardening, bowling, basketball, playing euchre, and dancing. She graduated valedictorian of her high school class in 1932 at Dansville. Helen was married to Everett D. Baker, August 29, 1936. He died in 1964. On March 29, 1969, she married Leland L. McConnell of Eaton Rapids. He died in 1996. She was preceded in death by two sisters, Anna Yerke and Johanna; and two infant brothers.

Helen is survived by two sisters, Louise (Raymond) Reynolds of Perry and Elizabeth Potter of Pleasant Lake; several nieces, nephews and cousins; two sister-in-laws, Opal Claflin of Lansing and Bethel Esch of Eaton Rapids; four step-children, Gary McConnell of Lansing, Douglas McConnell, Vickie (Robert) Magiera, and Verna (Walter) Smith all of Onondaga; five step-grandchildren, Gerald Magiera, Robert (Laura) Magiera, Jr., Anthony (Theresa) Magiera, Tammie (Thomas) Oates, and Teresa (Marc) Heisler; and six step-great-grandchildren.


Funeral services were held September 9th at Caskey-Mitchell Funeral Home of Stockbridge with Pastor Terry Talbert of Destiny Church International of Dewitt officiating. Interment was in the Stockbridge Oaklawn Cemetery. Pall Bearers were Donald Pollok, Tom Reynolds, Gerald Magiera, Robert Magiera, Jr., Anthony Magiera, and Thomas Oates with honorary pall bearer Marc Heisler. Memorial contributions can be made to the American Heart Association or Hospice House of Mid-Michigan, St. Lawrence Campus, 1210 W. Saginaw, Lansing, Michigan, 48915-1999, in memory of Helen E. McConnell.



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WRIGHT, CECIL H.

Eaton Rapids

 Age 85, died Tuesday, September 5, 2000, in Eaton Rapids. Cecil was born June 24, 1915, in Mecosta, the son of Floyd and Ilah (Fleck) Wright. Surviving are his wife of 52 years, Joyce (Pollard); 3 daughters, Jody (Josh) Tenenberg of Washington, Pamela Wright of Eaton Rapids, and Teresa (Steve Peters) Wright of Colorado; son, Gregory (Stephany) Wright of Colorado; 3 grandchildren, Jeff, Aric and Bret Wright; 2 great grandchildren, Adam and Kathrine Wright; brother, Vern (Barb) Wright of Laingsburg; 3 sisters, Bea Lovell of Traverse City, Imogene Wright of Lansing, and Donna Bibler of Albion. Funeral services will be held on **Saturday, September 9, 2000, 11 a.m. at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, 518 S. Main, Eaton Rapids**, with Rev. Stephen Klink officiating. Interment will follow at Rosehill Cemetery, Eaton Rapids. The family will receive friends on Friday from 7-9 p.m. at the Funeral Home. Those desiring may make contributions to the American Diabetes Assoc. in memory of Cecil H. Wright.

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WINTERS, LAURIE R.

Eaton Rapids



Age 40, died Thursday, September 7, 2000. Born July 26, 1960, in Eaton Rapids, the daughter of Leroy and Beverly (Dawley) Bouts, Laurie was the Lead Billing Clerk for

Blue Cross through Sparrow Health Services in Lansing for the past 22 years, and formerly had worked for St. Lawrence. Surviving are 2 daughters, Rebecca and Kattrina Winters; parents, Leroy and Beverly Bouts of Eaton Rapids; granddaughter, Morgan Weessies and her family, Stacey and Brent, and their daughter, Megan Weessies of Portage; brother, Zachary (Elizabeth) Bouts of Brooklyn; niece and nephew, Ruby and J.R. Ennis; sister, Trisha Bouts and fiance, Dave Miah of Koln, Germany. Funeral services will be **Sunday, September 10, at 3 p.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids.** LSJ 9-9-00

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WINTERS, RICKY A.

Eaton Rapids



Age 47, died Thursday, September 7, 2000. Born January 27, 1953, in Eaton Rapids, the son of Allen Sr. and Francis "Dolly" (Hayward) Winters, Rick was a

Route Salesman for Perfection Bakery, formerly Schafer Bakery, of Lansing for the past 17 years. He previously had worked 10 years for Kroger in Lansing. Surviving are his 2 daughters, Rebecca and Kattrina Winters; granddaughter, Morgan Weesies; 2 brothers and 2 sisters; and several nieces and nephews, aunts and uncles and cousins. Funeral services will be **Sunday, September 10, at 3 p.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids.**

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PAUL R. CLAIR



Paul R. Clair, of Lansing, died Wednesday, August 23, 2000 at the age of 29. He was born May 6, 1971 in Ann Arbor the son of Rev. Robin & Judith (Wieman) Clair. Paul was a 1989 graduate of Eaton Rapids High School and participated in many school activities including Football, Wrestling, Quiz Bowl, Drama and Choir Ensemble. Paul's goal in life was to become a minister and had recently completed a course at Berean School of Ministry. He was an active member at Mount Hope Church where he was involved in the choir and many of their Holiday Productions. He is preceded in death by his father, Rev. Robin Clair, in 1997.

Surviving are his mother, Judy (Jack) Pepple; 3 siblings, Troy (Tammy) Clair, Todd (Carleen) Clair, Christa (Todd) McLane; 9 nieces and nephews; 2 stepbrothers, Larry (Chrisy) Pepple & Ed Pepple.

Funeral services were held Friday, August 25, 2000 at Mount Hope Church with Rev. Gary Uptigrove officiating. Interment was in Rosehill Cemetery in Eaton Rapids. Arrangements were made by the Palmer-Bush Delta Chapel, Lansing. Memorials can be made to Mount Hope Church in memory of Paul.

DEWAYNE "D.C." LARAWAY

DeWayne "D.C." Laraway, age 71 of Eaton Rapids, died Saturday, August 26, 2000 in Eaton Rapids. DeWayne was born May 27, 1929 in Muskegon the son of Guy Charles and Beatrice (Hicks) Laraway. D.C. was the owner of several construction companies over the last 53 years including D.C. Laraway Co. and currently owned Diversified Construction.

He is survived by his loving wife of 30 years, Faye; 7 daughters, Linda Peck of Ann Arbor, Terri Ervin of Holt, Deborah (Thomas) Bartig of Jackson, Diana (Javier) Rodriguez of Lincoln Park, Kelli (Todd) Simpson of Kalkaska, Mary (Mark) Steinbrecher of Clinton Twp., Linda Lindquist of Shingleton; 4 sons, Bruce (Sue) Laraway of FL, Timothy Ervin of NV, Brian Ervin of Mason, Jeffrey Ervin of Holt; 25 grandchildren; 3 great-grandchildren; brother, Ferris (Dawne) Laraway of FL; sister, Esther (Ray) Ramsey of Muskegon; nieces; nephews; many dear cousins; and close friends, Bob and Char Klont of Grayling.

Funeral services were held on Monday, August 28, 2000, at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. Those desiring may make contributions to the American Diabetes Association in memory of DeWayne Laraway. www.Legacy.com

DAVID CHARLES LLOYD

David C. Lloyd, age 77 of Eaton Rapids, died Thursday, August 24, 2000 at his residence following a long illness. He was born February 22, 1923 in Eaton Rapids, the son of Harold and Hazel (Schutt) Lloyd. Mr. Lloyd was a graduate of the Eaton Rapids High School, he served in the Army during World War II, and retired as a foreman in the shipping department for General Aluminium Products in Charlotte.

Surviving are his wife of 54 years, Rosemund; son, Steven and grandson, Timothy of Charlotte; 2 brothers, Douglas (Alice) Lloyd of Saline and Eugene (Elaine) Lloyd of Newago; 2 sisters, Francis (Keith) Manigold of CA, and Beatrice (Stan) Widdas of WA; several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, August 26th from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids with the Rev. Robert Betts officiating. Interment followed in the Rosehill Cemetery in Eaton Rapids with full military honors provided by the American Legion Harold Teeter Post #15. For those desiring, a memorial contribution may be made to Heartland Home Health Care and Hospice at 700 W. Ash St., Mason, MI 48854 in memory of David C. Lloyd.

CARY E. BURNS

Cary E. Burns, age 89 of Pleasant Lake, died Friday, August 25, 2000 at Arbor Manor Nursing Home in Spring Arbor. He was born July 2, 1911 in New Weston, Ohio. Mr. Burns grew up in the Eaton Rapids area and graduated from Mason High School. He served in the Army during World War II, receiving a Purple Heart and spending 1 1/2 years in a Veteran's Hospital from the injuries he sustained. Mr. Burns retired from General Motors in Lansing with 43 years of service. A life member of the F.&A.M. Lodge #63 in Eaton Rapids and a member of the D.A.V.

Surviving are his wife of 53 years, Helen; 3 sisters-in-law, Vera Heminger, Barbara Burns and Gladys Burns; several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, August 30th, at 1:00 p.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids with the Rev. Tom Evans officiating. Graveside services will follow in the Rosehill Cemetery in Eaton Rapids with full military honors provided by the American Legion Harold Teeter Post #15. Visitation will be Tuesday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. at the funeral home.

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GRACE M. JENNINGS

Grace M. Jennings, age 95 of Eaton Rapids, died Sunday, August 27, 2000 in Lansing. Grace was born January 30, 1905 in Shepherd, the daughter of John Adam and Lottie Elizabeth (Richmond) Vicary. Mrs. Jennings was a retired teacher from Michigan Public Schools. She was a member of the Eaton Rapids First Congregational Church, the Napoleon Chapter #328 Order of the Eastern Star, the U & I Club of Eaton Rapids, the Community Hospital Auxiliary and the Eaton County Retired Teachers. Her husband, Paul, preceded her in death in 1986.

Surviving is her daughter, Constance Leseney of Lansing; 3 grandchildren, Shari Wilson, Renee Sheerin, Lori Richmond; 11 great-grandchildren; 7 great-great-grandchildren; 1 niece; 1 nephew and several cousins.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, August 29, 2000 at the First Congregational Church, Eaton Rapids with the Rev. Dr. David L. D'Arcy officiating. Interment followed at Rosehill Cemetery, Eaton Rapids. Those desiring may make contributions to the charity of your choice in memory of Grace M. Jennings. Arrangements by the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids.

METHA MAE COSGRAY

Metha Mae Cosgray, age 100 of Chelsea and formerly of Eaton Rapids, died Sunday, September 3, 2000 at the Chelsea Retirement Center in Chelsea. She was born July 15, 1900 in Tecumseh, Michigan, the daughter of Clarence and Ida (Derby) Allison. Mrs. Cosgray was a member of the Robbins United Methodist Church in Eaton Rapids. Preceding her in death was her husband Wm. Frank Cosgray, in 1980.

Surviving are nieces and nephews, Jim Allison of Illinois, Janet Bryant of Illinois, Phillip Osburn of Stockbridge, Ted Osburn of Ft. Myers, FL, Don Osburn of Wayne, Doris Scott of Claremont, Mass., and Jeannette Schneider of Stockbridge; several great nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, September 6th at 11 a.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids with the Rev. Marty DeBow of the Robbins United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will follow in the Brookside Cemetery in Tecumseh, MI. For those desiring, a memorial contribution may be made to a charity of one's choice in memory of Metha Mae Cosgray.

JUDY LYNN DOWDING

Judy L. Dowding, age 59 of Eaton Rapids, died Sunday, September 3, 2000 at the Ingham Regional Medical Center in Lansing. She was born June 15, 1941 in Eaton Rapids the daughter of Gerald and Myrtle (Slayton) Holbrook. Judy graduated from the Seventh Day Adventist Academy in Grand Ledge in 1959, and received an associates degree in Accounting. She married Donald Dowding on October 24, 1959 in Eaton Rapids. Judy was currently employed by the Department of Agriculture Farm Services in Eaton County for the past 11 years and was previously employed for 12 years with Aluminium Extrusions in Charlotte. She was preceded in death by her parents; brother, Robert Ott; and brother-in-law, William Riley.

Surviving are her husband of 40 years, Don; son, Troy Dowding; daughter, Jody (Jim) Dean all of Eaton Rapids; grandchild, Troy and 2 step-grandchildren, Ardith and Samantha; brother, Jack (Gerry) Holbrook of Eaton Rapids; 5 sisters, Joyce Virginia McCarrick of Eaton Rapids, JoAnne Holbrook of Eaton Rapids, June Riley of Kentucky, Diane (Tim) McDonnell of Lansing and Marilyn (Robert) Taggart of Eaton Rapids; several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be Thursday, September 7th at 1 p.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids with the Rev. Carl Barrett officiating. Burial will follow in the Clarence Center Cemetery at Duck Lake in Calhoun County. Visitation will be Wednesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at the funeral home. For those desiring, a memorial contribution may be made to the American Diabetes Association at Suite 2255, 30600 Telegraph Rd., Bingham Farms, MI 48025-4532 in memory of Judy L. Dowding.

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VICTOR H. WALWORTH

Victor H. Walworth, age 83, of Columbia, SC, died Aug. 15, 2000. He was born in Eaton Rapids, MI, the son of the late Harry and Florence Hamlin Walworth. Before moving to Columbia in 1975, he had lived in Florida for 20 years. He was retired from the Federal Credit Union as Examiner. Mr. Walworth had previously worked with the National Credit Union Administration in Washington, D.C. He received a Bachelors Degree in Art Studio in 1988 and Masters Degree in 1995 from the University of South Carolina. He was a member of St. Simon and St. Jude Episcopal Church and was an Army veteran.

Surviving are his wife, Jean M. Walworth; daughters, Victoria W. Leeke of Blythewood and Johnna S. Metzler of Columbia; son, Peter B. Walworth of East Grand Rapids, MI; brother, Lyle Walworth of Jackson, MI and 7 grandchildren. Mr. Walworth was preceded in death by his first wife, Gloria P. Walworth; sister, Catherine Finch and brother, Kenneth Walworth.


Funeral services were held Aug. 18, 2000 at St. Simon and St. Jude Episcopal Church with inturnment in Bush River Memorial Gardens Mausoleum. Memorials may be made to St. Simon and St. Jude Episcopal Church, 1110 Kinley Road, Irmo, SC 29063. Arrangements were by Caughman-Harman Funeral Homes, Irmo/St. Andrews Chapel.

WILLIAM H. JONES

William H. Jones, age 97 of Eaton Rapids, died Friday evening, August 19, 2000 at his home. Mr. Jones was born May 2, 1903 in Dimondale, a son of Harry E. and Grace M. (Geisenhafer) Jones. His wife, Hilda Mary Ashley, died April 9, 1997 after 67 years of marriage. The Joneses lived in the Dimondale and Lansing area. Following his retirement from Wohler Corp., they resided in Lake Wales, Florida for 27 years.

Surviving are their daughter, Marilyn (Jerry) Fuller of Eaton Rapids; three grandchildren, Colin L. (Holly) Paul, William D. (Donna) Paul and Sherri Lee Fuller; and seven great-grandchildren, Aaron, Brittany, Bradley, Nikki, Hayden, Chase and Sidney.

Graveside services were held Monday, August 21st, at Dimondale Cemetery with Rev. Robert E. Betts, Chaplin of Eaton Community Hospice, officiating. Pallbearers were Jerry Fuller, Sherri Fuller, Bradley Paul, Colin Paul, William Paul and Aaron Spicer.



MARY A. FAYNOR

Mary A. Faynor, age 77 of Eaton Rapids, died Wednesday, July 19, 2000 at the Sparrow-St. Lawrence/Dimondale Center. She was born August 19, 1922 in Flint, the daughter of John and Tillie (Oravec) Vlachovic. Mary was retired from the Eaton Stamping Company in Eaton Rapids with 27 years of service, and a member of the Czechoslovakian Society of America. Mary's fondest memories were the many fishing trips made to Canada in the family float plane with her family and close friends.

Surviving are her husband of 59 years, Milton; 4 children, Bud (Judy) Faynor of Eaton Rapids, Douglas (Sheron) Faynor of Woodburn, OR, Patricia Faynor of Eaton Rapids and Craig Faynor and special friend Paul Roesch of Orlando, FL; 3 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, July 22, at the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids, with the burial in the Eaton Cemetery. For those desiring memorial gifts may be made in memory of Mary A. Faynor to the Sparrow-St. Lawrence/Dimondale Center.

LARAWAY, DEWAYNE "D.C."

Eaton Rapids

Age 71; died Saturday, August 26, 2000 in Eaton Rapids. D.C. was the owner of several construction companies over the last 53 years. He is survived by his loving wife of 30 years, Faye; 7 daughters, 4 sons; 25 grandchildren; 3 great-grandchildren; brother; sister; nieces; nephews; many dear cousins; and close friends. Funeral services will be held on **Monday, August 28, 11 a.m. at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, 518 S. Main, Eaton Rapids.** The family will receive friends on Sunday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at the funeral home with a Rosary being prayed at 7:00 p.m. Those desiring may make contributions to the American Diabetes Association in memory of DeWayne Laraway. www.Legacy.com

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DONNA IRELAN MORRIS

Donna Irelan Morris, age 74 of Dimondale, died July 28, 2000 at her home. Mrs. Morris was a loyal employee of First of American Bank, now National City, for 25 1/2 years. She did volunteer work for M.D.A. and also Sparrow Hospital's Surgical Lounge (and was its President for two years). Mrs. Morris attended Mt. Hope Church, was a life member of the V.F.W. National Home in Eaton Rapids, a life member of V.F.W. Ladies Auxillary, Post 995, Bitely and was their first Gold Star Mother. She was preceded in death by her husband of 15 years, Edward W. Irelan, her husband of 31 years, Carl R. Morris, and her son, Raymond L. Morris, who was killed in action in Vietnam.

Surviving are two sons, Donald E. (Lynne) Irelan of Asheville, NC, Rocky (Pam) Irelan of Eaton Rapids; two daughters, Edna Umbarger of Eaton Rapids and Vicki (John) Witzke of Johnstown, NY; 16 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; her brother, Albert Austin; and special cousins, Janalee & Lester McClure.

Services were held at 2:30 p.m. Friday at Field & Leik Funeral Home with Rev. Clyde Harris officiating. V.F.W. Auxillary honors were given. Interment was in Dimondale Cemetery.

RENA MAE EMENS

Rena Mae Emens, age 94, died Friday, July 28, 2000 in Eaton Rapids. Rena was born October 16, 1905 in Dansville the daughter of Ned M. and Nora Estella (Grimes) Townsend. She was a member of the Eaton Rapids Wesleyan Church. Mrs. Emens was preceded in death by her husband, Clayton Perrine in 1950; her second husband, Deane Emens in 1992; son, Robert Perrine in 1969 and daughter-in-law, Agnes Perrine Estein.

Surviving are her daughter, Edna (Russell) Smith of Lake, MI; 2 sons, Lester (Virginia) Perrine of Harrison, Kenneth (Marilyn) Perrine of Gulfport, Mississippi; 4 stepsons, William D. (Betty) Emens of Splendors, Texas, Thomas (Judy) Emens of Flagler, Florida, Robert (Chris) Emens of Crystal Falls, Phillip (Chris) Emens of Springport; 31 grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren and 2 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Saturday, August 5, 2000 at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids, with Rev. Marilyn Perrine and Rev. Dennis Perkins officiating. Interment followed at Jones Cemetery in Rives Junction. Those desiring may make contributions to the Wesleyan Church in memory of Rena M. Emmens. www.Legacy.com

JAMES TYSON CAMP

James T. Camp, age 77 of Eaton Rapids, died Wednesday, August 2, 2000. He was born April 1, 1922 in Shelby, North Carolina, the son of Boyd and Laura (Spake) Camp. Mr. Camp was a veteran of World War II, receiving a Purple Heart. He retired from the Teamsters Local #580, working for Granger Bros. Construction Co. in Lansing and also worked as a truck driver for Cooper Chevy/Olds in Eaton Rapids. Jim was a founding member of the Island City Baptist Church, a life member and Past Noble Grand of the I.O.O.F. Lodge #114 both in Eaton Rapids. He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary, on June 3, 2000 and a son, Dwight, in 1958.

Surviving are children, Laura (Vernie) Miller, Diane Oberlin, James Camp Jr., Brian Camp, Deborah (David) Lynch, Caroyll Camp; sisters, Edna (Bob) Fortenberry, Jean Allen, Joan (Charle) Daves, Raye (Aubrey) Clark, Rachel (Bill) Jolley; brothers, Hoyle (Katherine) Camp, Jack (Barbara) Camp, John (Earleen) Camp, Hugh (Carolyn) Camp; sisters-in-law, Irene and Louise Camp; 13 grandchildren, Denny and David Miller, Jeffrey and Michelle Oberlin, Christina Johnson, Benjamin, Daniel, Timmy, Clifford, Robert and Scott Camp. Chandra and Joshua Lynch; 7 great-grandchildren, Tracie, Marcus, Christopher and Keisha Miller, Jacob and Tyler Oberlin-Scott and Clorissa Oberlin; 2 step-grandchildren, Rebecca Neverdusky and Courtney Morten; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were Saturday, August 5th from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids. Burial was in Pleasant Hill Baptist Cemetery in Shelby, North Carolina.

BREININGER, DOUGLAS D., SR.

Eaton Rapids

Born January 28, 1931, in Lansing; died August 9, 2000 at the age of 69. Mr. Breininger was a proud member of Lansing Lodge #33 F&AM. Surviving are his 3 children, Karen Marie Breininger, Douglas Duane Breininger, Jr., William J. Breininger; and 4 granddaughters. A memorial visitation will be held **Sunday, August 13, from 2-4 p.m. at the home of William Breininger, 207 Donagal, Eaton Rapids.** The family is being served by the Gorsline-Runciman Co. Lansing Chapel, Lansing.

LSJ 8-12-00

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JONES, WILLIAM HENRY

Eaton Rapids

Age 97, died August 18, 2000. Mr. Jones was born May 2, 1903, in Dimondale, a son of Harry E. and Grace M. Jones. Hilda Mary Ashley, his wife of 67 years, died April 9, 1997. They resided in Dimondale and Lansing. Following his retirement from Wohlert Corp., they went to Lake Wales, FL, for 27 years. Surviving are his daughter and son-in-law, Marilyn and Jerry Fuller of Eaton Rapids; 3 grandchildren, Colin L. (Holly) Paul, William D. (Donna) Paul and Sherri Lee Fuller; 7 great grandchildren, Aaron, Brittany, Bradley, Nikki, Hayden, Chase and Sidney. Graveside services will be held at **1 p.m. Monday, August 21 at Dimondale Cemetery.** The family will receive friends from 1-4 p.m. Sunday at Field & Leik Funeral Home, Dimondale.

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NORTON, JAMES W.

**Lake Odessa
Formerly of Eaton Rapids**

Age 67, died Monday, July 24, 2000 at his residence. Born May 22, 1933 in Perrinton, MI, the son of Charles and Thelma (Runyan) Norton. Mr. Norton was an Albion High School graduate and had served in the National Guard during World War II. He was a former owner/operator of Norton's Party Store in Eaton Rapids and had retired as owner/operator of Satterlee Machining in Eaton Rapids. A member of the Brookfield Masonic Lodge. He was preceded in death by a brother, Roland Norton. Surviving are his wife of 49 years, Joyce; 3 daughters, Deborah (Steve) Haman of DeWitt, April (Dan) Balger of Okemos and Karen (Charles) Ambs of Hudsonville; 6 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild; brother, John (Jackie) Norton of Albion; 3 sisters, Sandra (Ron) Guilloz of Ann Arbor, Nancy Barnes of Albion and June Shirley of Lake George; several nieces and nephews. Memorial services will be **Thursday, July 27 at 11 a.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids.** Family will receive friends at the funeral home on Wednesday evening from 7-9 p.m. and 2 hours prior to service. For those desiring, memorial contributions may be made to the Eaton Rapids Medical Center in memory of James W. Norton.

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Obituaries

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GEORGIA MAY LIVINGSTON

Georgia May Livingston, age 93 of Eaton Rapids, died Sunday, July 23, 2000. Mrs. Livingston was born August 17, 1906, in Washtenaw County, Michigan, the daughter of Arthur and Elizabeth (Eckhart) Langdon.

She is survived by daughters Lola M. Reese of Eaton Rapids and Ruth E. (Raymond) Gibbs of Charlotte; son, Richard L. (Betty) Livingston of Summerdale, Alabama; 12 grandchildren, and many great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren; sister-in-law, Inez (Clare) Brunton. She was preceded in death by her husband William M. Livingston in 1968, an infant son, and son-in-law Dale Reese.

Graveside service was held Friday, July 28th, at Center Eaton Cemetery, Charlotte, with R. Raymond Rossell officiating. Arrangements were made by the Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte. If desired, memorial contributions may be made to a charity of choice. Further information available at www.legacy.com.



CLARENCE W. CONKLIN

Clarence W. Conklin of Evert died Wednesday, July 19 at Autumnwood of McBain. He was 81. Mr. Conklin was born on April 26, 1919 to Clarence M. and Etta Marie (Marshall) Conklin in Oldsmar, Florida. He married Fern M. Hoag on June 20, 1939 in Angola, Indiana. He was employed by the state of Michigan as a carpenter and brick mason at Camp Crayling National Guard Camp. He served his country in the Navy during World War II. He was an avid Hunter and fisherman.

He is survived by his wife, Fern of Evert; children, Al (Sandra) Conklin of Evert, and Sandra K. (Lanny) Rowe of Holt; one sister, Vivian Conklin of Gainesville, FL as well as 10 grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a son, Clarence J. Conklin and a daughter, Nancy Lee Conklin.

A memorial service is scheduled for Saturday, August 19, 2000 from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Onondaga Sportsmans Club. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association. Arrangements are being handled by the Forsnaught Funeral Home, Marion, Michigan. To view online guest book and further memorial information, please visit www.legacy.com.

EMENS, RENA MAE

Eaton Rapids

Age 94, died Friday, July 28, 2000 in Eaton Rapids. Rena was born October 16, 1905 in Dansville the daughter of Ned M. and Nora Estella (Grimes) Townsend. She was a member of the Eaton Rapids Wesleyan Church. Mrs. Emens was preceded in death by her husband, Clayton Perrine in 1950; her second husband, Deane Emens in 1992; son, Robert Perrine in 1969 and daughter-in-law, Agnes Perrine Estein. Surviving are her daughter, Edna (Russell) Smith of Lake, MI.; 2 sons, Lester (Virginia) Perrine of Harrison, Kenneth (Marilyn) Perrine of Gulfport, MS; 4 stepsons, William D. (Betty) Emens of Splendor, TX, Thomas (Judy) Emens of Flagler, FL, Robert (Chris) Emens of Crystal Falls, Phillip (Chris) Emens of Springport; 31 grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren and 2 great-great-grandchildren. Funeral services will be held on **Saturday, August 5, 2000, 11:00 a.m. at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, 518 S. Main, Eaton Rapids**, with Rev. Marilyn Perrine and Rev. Dennis Perkins officiating. Interment will follow at Jones Cemetery in Rives Junction. The family will receive friends on Friday, from 6-9 p.m. and Saturday from 9 until service time at 11:00 a.m. Those desiring may make contributions to the Wesleyan Church in memory of Rena M. Emens. www.legacy.com LSJ 8-3-2000

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CAMP, JAMES T.

Eaton Rapids

Age 77, died Wednesday, August 2, 2000. Born April 1, 1922, in Shelby, NC, the son of Boyd and Laura (Spake) Camp, Mr. Camp was a veteran of World War II, receiving a Purple Heart. He retired from the Teamsters Local #580, working for Granger Bros. Construction Co. in Lansing and also worked as a truck driver for Cooper Chevy/Olds in Eaton Rapids. Jim was a founding member of the Island City Baptist Church and a life member and past Noble Grand of the I.O.O.F. Lodge #114, both in Eaton Rapids. He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary on June 3, 2000, and a son, Dwight in 1958. Surviving are children, Laura (Vernie) Miller, Diane Oberlin, James Camp, Jr., Brian Camp, Deborah (David) Lynch, and Caroyll Camp; sisters, Edna (Bob) Fortenberry, Jean Allen, Joan (Charle) Daves, Raye (Aubrey) Clark, and Rachel (Bill) Jolley; brothers, Hoyle (Katherine) Camp, Jack (Barbara) Camp, John (Earleen) Camp, and Hugh (Carolyn) Camp; sisters-in-law, Irene and Louise Camp; 13 grandchildren, 7 great grandchildren and 2 step-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be **Saturday, August 5, 10 a.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids** where visitation will be Friday evening from 7-9 p.m. Burial will be in Pleasant Hill Baptist Cemetery in Shelby, NC.

LSJ 8-4-00

**JACKSON, COLONEL DAVID K.
(RETIRED)**

Eaton Rapids



Age 62, died Monday, July 17, 2000, in Lansing. David was born August 25, 1937 in Eaton Rapids, the son of Herbert Lester and Marian Elizabeth (Tomlinson) Jackson. He

graduated from MSU in the ROTC Program, which led to a 30 year career in the U.S. Air Force retiring as a Colonel. He served in several foreign countries and during the Johnson Administration he was stationed on Air Force One. While serving his country he obtained his PhD in education administration from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He continued to broaden his educational horizons thru practical "hands on" classes so he could enjoy his numerous hobbies such as stained glass, auto body (restoring a roadster), gardening, caning, wood working and clock restoration. His desire had always been to retire to his hometown of Eaton Rapids where his other passion was teaching and sharing with the students at the Eaton Rapids Middle School. Surviving are his wife, Lee Druskis Jackson; daughter Captain Laurie (Dean) Frazier stationed in Germany; son Steve Jackson of San Rafael, CA.; 3 brothers, Wayne (Karen) Jackson of Eaton Rapids, Leroy (Karen) Jackson of Illinois, Dean (Marcia) Jackson of Eaton Rapids; 2 sisters, T. Joan (Paul) Barsdale of North Carolina, Linda (Glen) Meyer of Eaton Rapids; step sister, Ilene McCarthy of Eaton Rapids; several aunts, including Betty Sharland of Jackson; numerous nieces, nephews and long time friend Mary Twigg of East Lansing. **Funeral service will be held on Friday, July 21, 2000, 4:00 p.m. at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, 518 S. Main, Eaton Rapids,** with Military Honors which will be presented by Wright Patterson Air Force Base. The family will receive friends on Thursday from 7-9 p.m. and Friday from 2 until service time at 4:00 p.m. at the Funeral Home. Those desiring may make contributions to the Eaton County Community Foundation, Colonel David K. Jackson Scholarship Fund in his memory. WWW.Legacy.com

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FAYNOR, MARY ANN

Eaton Rapids

August 19, 1922 - July 19, 2000

Age 77, died Wednesday, July 19, 2000 at the Sparrow-St. Lawrence/Dimondale Center. Born August 19, 1922 in Flint, the daughter of John and Tillie (Oravec) Vlachovic. Mary was a retired employee of the Eaton Stamping Co. in Eaton Rapids, with 27 years of service, and a member of the Czechoslovakian Society of America. Mary's fondest memories were the many fishing trips made to Canada in the family float plane with her family and close friends. Surviving are her husband of 59 years, Milton; 4 children, Bud (Judy) Faynor of Eaton Rapids, Douglas (Sheron) Faynor of Woodburn, OR, Patricia Faynor of Eaton Rapids and Craig Faynor and special friend Paul Roesch of Orlando, FL; 3 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren. **Funeral services will be held on Saturday, July 22, at 1 p.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids.** Burial will follow in the Center Eaton Cemetery. Visitation will be Friday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. at the funeral home. For those desiring, in memory of Mary A. Faynor, memorial gifts may be made to the Sparrow-St. Lawrence/Dimondale Center.

LSJ 7-21-00

Obituaries

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JAMES W. NORTON

James W. Norton, age 67 of Lake Odessa, formerly of Eaton Rapids, died Monday, July 24, 2000 at his residence following a long illness. He was born May 22, 1933 in Perrington, MI, the son of Charles and Thelma Norton. Jim and wife Joyce owned and operated the Norton Party Store in Eaton Rapids for several years. He was a Tool & Die Maker and owned and operated Satterlee Machining for 15 years in Eaton Rapids, retiring after health problems. He was a member of the Brookfield Masonic Lodge and was affiliated with the Brookfield United Methodist Church. Preceding him in death a brother, Roland Norton.

Surviving are his wife of 49 years, Joyce; 3 daughters, Deborah (Steve) Haman of DeWitt, April (Dan) Balger of Okemos and Karen (Charles) Ambs of Hudsonville; 6 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild; brother, John (Jackie) Norton of Albion; 3 sisters, Sandra (Ron) Guilloz of Ann Arbor, Nancy Barnes of Albion and June Shirley of Lake George; several nieces and nephews.

Memorial services will be Thursday, July 27, 2000 at 11 a.m. at the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids. Visitation will be Wednesday evening from 7 - 9 p.m. and on Thursday 2 hours previous to the service. Memorial contributions are suggested to the Eaton Rapids Medical Center in memory of James Norton.

CLARENCE W. CONKLIN

Clarence W. Conklin of Evart died Wednesday, July 19, 2000 at Autumwood of McBain. He was 81. Mr. Conklin was born on April 26, 1919 to Clarence M. and Etta Marie (Marshall) Conklin in Oldsmar, Florida. He married Fern M. Hoag on June 20, 1939 in Angola, Indiana. He was employed by the state of Michigan as a carpenter and brick mason at Camp Grayling National Guard Camp. He served his country in the Navy during World War II. He was an avid hunter and fisherman.

He is survived by his wife, Fern of Evart; children, Al (Sandra) Conklin of Evart, and Sandra K. (Lanny) Rowe of Holt; one sister, Vivian Conklin of Gainsville, Florida, as well as 10 grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a son, Clarence J. Conklin and a daughter, Nancy Lee Conklin.

A memorial service is scheduled for Saturday, August 19, 2000 at the Onondaga Sportsmans Club in Eaton Rapids. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association. Arrangements are being handled by the Fosnaught Funeral Home, Marion, Michigan. To view on-line guest book and further memorial information, please visit www.legacy.com.

**COLONEL****DAVID K. JACKSON**

Colonel David K. Jackson (Retired) age 62 of Eaton Rapids, died Monday, July 17, 2000, in Lansing. David was born August 25, 1937 in Eaton Rapids, the son of Herbert Lester and Marian Elizabeth (Tomlinson) Jackson. He graduated from MSU in the ROTC Program, which led to a 30 year career in the U.S. Air Force, retiring as Colonel. He served in several foreign countries and during the Johnson Administration he was stationed on Air Force One. While serving his country he obtained his PhD in education administration from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He continued to broaden his educational horizons through practical "hands on" classes so he could enjoy his numerous hobbies such as stained glass, auto body (restoring a roadster), gardening, canning, wood working and clock restoration. His desire had always been to retire to his hometown of Eaton Rapids where his other passion was teaching and sharing with the students at the Eaton Rapids Middle School.

Surviving are his wife, Lee Druskis Jackson; daughter, Captains Laurie (Dean) Frazier stationed in Germany; son, Steve Jackson of San Rafael, CA; 3 brothers, Wayne (Karen) Jackson of Eaton Rapids, Leroy (Karen) Jackson of Illinois, Dean (Marcia) Jackson of Eaton Rapids; 3 sisters, T. Joan (Paul) Barsdale of North Carolina, Linda (Glen) Meyer of Eaton Rapids and Ilene McCarthy of Eaton Rapids; several aunts, including Betty Sharland of Jackson; numerous nieces, nephews and long time friend Mary Twigg of East Lansing.

Funeral service was held on Friday, July 21, 2000, at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids with Military Honors presented by Wright Patterson Air Force Base. Those desiring may make contributions to the Eaton County Community Foundation, Colonel David K. Jackson Scholarship Fund in his memory. www.legacy.com

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BOSIER, MAURICE L.

Eaton Rapids

Age 86, died Sunday, July 16, 2000. Born July 1, 1914 in Hillsdale County, the son of Harry and Ethel (West) Bosier. Mr. Bosier was a retired Supervisor for Allied Products and Goodnoe Tool & Die both in Eaton Rapids. He was a member of the Eaton Rapids Conservation Club. Preceding him in death was his wife, Mary in 1992, and daughter, Bernadine in 1991. Surviving are a sister, Beryl Harlan of Hillsdale; niece and 2 nephews; sister-in-law, Ann Sohmer of Lansing; and special friend, Mildred Tropp of Eaton Rapids. Funeral services will be **Wednesday, July 19 at 1 p.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids.** Burial will follow in the Sunset View Cemetery in Jonesville. Visitation will be Tuesday evening from 6-8 p.m. For those desiring, a memorial contribution may be made to the Alzheimer's Association or to a charity of one's choice in memory of Maurice L. Bosier. *LSJ 7-17-00*

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JACK C. MAUPIN

Jack C. Maupin, age 92, of Ann Arbor, formerly of Charlotte and Eaton Rapids, died Sunday, July 16, 2000 in Ann Arbor. Jack was born February 29, 1908 in Kentucky, the son of Joel Edgar and Theo (Hall) Maupin. He retired from General Motors in 1972 after 30 years of service. Mr. Maupin was preceded in death by his first wife, Frances Louise and his second wife, Alyce.

Surviving are 2 daughters, Vicki (James) Divita of Crystal Lake, IL, and Marsha Strickland of Ann Arbor; 4 grandchildren, Jeffrey (Brenda) Squires, Todd Squires, Darren Strickland, Stephanie Phillips; 2 great-grandchildren, Chelsea Squires and Amber Phillips.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, July 20, 2000, 3 p.m., at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. The family will receive friends on Wednesday from 5-7 p.m. at the Funeral Home. www.Legacy.com

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Obituaries

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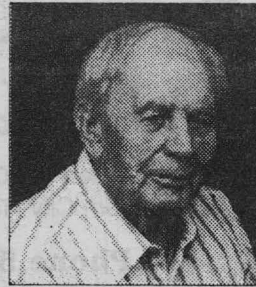
LUELLA

McPHERSON-HUDSON

Luella McPherson-Hudson, age 89 of Charlotte, formerly of Traverse City, died Friday, July 14, 2000 in Lansing. Luella was born December 16, 1910 in East Lake, the daughter of Harold and Agnes (Poliskey) Edmondson. Mrs. McPherson was a schoolteacher in the Traverse City area for 30 years, retiring in 1967. She was a member of the MEA and NEA. Luella was preceded in death by her first husband, George McPherson and her second husband, Charles Hudson; 2 brothers, David and Rod Edmondson; and sister, Annabelle Pletzke.

Surviving are her son Lloyd (Marilyn) McPherson of Charlotte; 2 grandchildren, Chandra (David) Cataline of Jackson and David (Linda) McPherson of Orlando, FL; 3 great-grandchildren, Tyler and Leslie Cataline and Danny Hignite; brother, Harold (Elsie) Edmondson of Traverse City; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, July 19, 2000, 1 p.m., at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. The family will receive friends Tuesday from 2-4 and 7-9 at the Funeral Home. Those desiring may make contributions to either Ele's Place or Make-A-Wish Foundation in memory of Luella McPherson-Hudson. www.Legacy.com



MAURICE L. BOSIER

Maurice L. Bosier, age 86 of Eaton Rapids, died Sunday, July 16, 2000. He was born July 1, 1914 in Hillsdale County, the son of Harry and Ethel (West) Bosier. Mr. Bosier was a retired Supervisor for Allied Products and Goodnoe Tool & Die both in Eaton Rapids. He was a member of the Eaton Rapids Conservation Club. Preceding him in death were his wife, Mary in 1992 and daughter, Bernadine in 1991.

Surviving are a sister, Beryl Harlan of Hillsdale; niece and 2 nephews; sister-in-law, Ann Sohmer of Lansing and special friend, Mildred Tropp of Eaton Rapids.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, July 19th at 1 p.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids. Burial will follow in the Sunset View Cemetery in Jonesville. Visitation will be Tuesday evening from 6-8 p.m. For those desiring, a memorial contribution may be made to the Alzheimer's Association or to a charity of one's choice in memory of Maurice L. Bosier.

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PEARL M. POEHLER

Pearl M. Poehler, age 91, a long time resident of Eaton Rapids, died Saturday, July 15, 2000 in Kalamazoo. Pearl was born May 1, 1909 in Lakeview, moving to Eaton Rapids in 1911 and growing up "in the Brickyard". She graduated from Eaton Rapids High School in 1926, and then the Acme Business College in Lansing, after which she pursued a career in business. She retired in 1974 after many years working for the State of Michigan, Treasury Dept., in Lansing. Pearl was active in the Senior Citizens Center, and a member of their "Mad Hatters Kitchen Band". A true competitor, she loved to play bingo, euchre, or any other card game. She was an avid sports fan. She had been a member of the First United Methodist Church and The Order of the Eastern Star. Pearl was preceded in death by her husband, Harold "Dutch" Poehler; her parents, Harry and Rose (Haven) Scott; and three siblings, Baby William Scott, Iris Reuter and Leola Finch.

Surviving are her 3 children, Marlene (Jack) Koch of Parchment, Patricia (Mel) Nelson of Naples, FL, Gary (Pat) Dodge of Orange City, FL; her brother, Cyril (Judy) Scott of Toledo, OH; 9 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; and 9 nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, July 20, 2000, 11 a.m., at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids, with Pastor Tom Evans of the First United Methodist Church officiating. The family will receive friends on Wednesday from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may be made to the Eaton Rapids Senior Center in memory of Pearl Poehler.

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WHITTUM, JOYCE L.

Eaton Rapids

Age 72 of Eaton Rapids, surrounded by family, died peacefully at home, after a brief but courageous battle with cancer. All who came in contact with Joyce were profoundly touched by her love, her kindness, and her light. Born September 3, 1927 in Hastings, MI the daughter of Arthur S. and Leona B. (Dingham) Freese. Joyce retired in 1982 from the Felpausch Food Stores in Eaton Rapids as a cashier/bookkeeper, with 26 years of service. She was preceded in death by her husband, Clair in 1992. Surviving are her 4 children, Michael (Laureen) Whittum of Eaton Rapids, Bruce (Jean) Whittum, of Lewisburg, TN., Tammy (John) Merritt of Charlotte, and Cindy Whittum of Charlotte; 8 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren; brother, Robert (Phyllis) Freese of Hastings, and many loving friends and relatives. Funeral services will be **Monday, July 10 at 1 p.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids.** Visitation will be Saturday and Sunday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. For those desiring a memorial contribution may be made to the Ingham Regional Home Care Services at 825 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing, MI 48912 in memory of Joyce L. Whittum.

LSJ 7-8-2000

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Obituaries

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JOYCE LOUISE WHITTUM

Joyce Louise Whittum, age 72, of Eaton Rapids, surrounded by family, died peacefully at home on Thursday, July 6, 2000 after a brief but courageous battle with cancer. All who came in contact with Joyce were profoundly touched by her love, her kindness and her light. She was born Sept. 3, 1927 in Hastings, Michigan, the daughter of Arthur S. and Leona B. (Dingham) Freese. Joyce retired in 1982 from the Felpausch Food Store in Eaton Rapids as a cashier/bookkeeper, with 26 years of service. She was preceded in death by her husband, Clair in 1992.

Surviving are her 4 children, Michael (Laureen) Whittum of Eaton Rapids, Bruce (Jean) Whittum of Lewisburg, TN, Tammy (John) Merritt of Charlotte and Cindy Whittum of Charlotte; 8 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren; brother, Robert (Phyllis) Freese of Hastings and many loving friends and relatives.

Funeral services were held Monday, July 10 from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids with the Evangelist Tom Haynie of the West Oaks Christian Church of Wixom, MI, officiating. Interment followed in the Rosehill Cemetery in Eaton Rapids. Pallbearers were Leonard Gregory, Clifford Bustance, Scott Whittum, Mike Whittum Jr., Chad Whittum and Howard Day.

For those desiring a memorial contribution may be made out to Ingham Visiting Nurse Services in care of Ingham Regional Home Care Services at 825 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing, MI 48912 in memory of Joyce L. Whittum.

CAROL ANN (DEXTER) ROWLEE

Carol Ann (Dexter) Rowlee, age 60, of Covert died June 27, 2000, at Lakeland Hospital, St. Joseph. Carol was born January 14, 1940 in Jackson Michigan, to Donald and Myrtle Kilburn Dexter. She was a homemaker and will be deeply missed by her loved ones.

Survivors include two daughters, Tamara Davis and Brandy (Edward) Dailey, both of Covert; a son, Douglas (Tamara) Elston of Berrien Springs; 10 grandchildren; 3 great-grandchildren; a sister, Sandra (Skip) Brown of Eaton Rapids; and 2 trothers, Thomas (Sandra) Dexter of Charlotte and Donald (Suzanna) Dexter, Jr. of Dimondale. She was preceded in death by her parents, and a grandson, Jeremy Rowlee.

Prayer services were held June 30th at Allred Funeral Home, Berrien Springs with burial in Covert Cemetery. Pall bearers were Skip, Tim, & Tom Brown; Tony Dexter; Michael & Joshua Rowlee. The family requests that memorials be made to the American Diabetes Association or to the charity of the donor's choice.

CLINT LEE KNOBLAUCH

Clint Lee Knoblauch, age 62, died June 21, 2000 in Reno, Nevada. He was born September 3, 1937 in Albion, MI, to Donald A. and Elizabeth Jane (Rutz) Knoblauch. He was a graduate of Washington Gardner High School and was a Navy Veteran. He was formerly employed as a chef. He enjoyed outdoor sports.

Surviving are 5 children; his father and 4 aunts.

Services will be held at a later date. Local arrangements are by Tidd-Williams Funeral Chapels.

BRININSTOOL, ELLA MARY

Eaton Rapids

Age 85, died at her son's home Monday, July 10, 2000. Born April 23, 1915 in Eaton Rapids, where she lived most of her life, the daughter of Eber and Lois (Ashley) Miller. She was a dedicated wife, mother and grandmother who loved her Lord. Preceding her in death was her husband of 61 years, Claud Brininstool. Surviving are 3 sons, James (Elaine) of Farwell, Claude (Nancy) of Lynchburg, VA and Gary (Linda) of Eaton Rapids; 2 daughters, Joan (David) Jenkins of Grand ledge and Mary Lou (Tom) Luttrell of Dimondale; 17 grandchildren; 31 great-grandchildren and 1 great-great-grandchild; 3 sisters, Gladys Dowding, Madeline Coffey and Jacqueline Harns; several nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be **Thursday, July 13 at 1 p.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids.** Burial will follow in the Rosehill Cemetery in Eaton Rapids.

LSJ 7-13-2000

TRIMBLE, NELL ROSSER

Ft. Worth, TX Formerly of Eaton Rapids

Age 95, died Wednesday, July 12, 2000. Born August 4, 1904 in Clarks-ville, TX, the daughter of Rev. William R. and Edna F. Rosser. Mrs. Trimble was a retired administrator for the State of Michigan, Department of Rehabilitation, a member of the O.E.S. Lodge #241 in Eaton Rapids, member of the First United Methodist Church in Eaton Rapids and an associate member of the Genesis United Methodist Church in Ft. Worth and a former Sunday School Teacher. In 1942, she married Joseph Clarke Trimble and they lived in Eaton Rapids until his death in 1970. She lived a long and fruitful life dedicated to her family, church and country. Surviving are brothers, William H. Rosser and Clarence A. Rosser; sister, Elizabeth Knee; half-sister, Naomi McDowell; stepsister, Adele MacLester; nephew, Douglas R. Clarke; niece, Edna Moazzami; great-nephew, Zachary Trimble Clarke; great-niece, Jennifer Reagan Clarke; and several more nieces and nephews and great-nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be **Tuesday, July 18 at 10 a.m. from the First United Methodist Church in Eaton Rapids.** Burial will follow in the Oakwood Cemetery in Eaton Rapids. Local arrangements through the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids.

LSJ 7-16-00



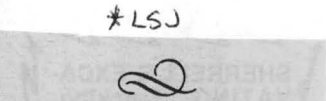
MARGARET "MAGGIE" CORLISS

Margaret "Maggie" Corliss, age 81 of McBain and formerly of the Tustin area, died at Autumnwood of McBain on June 23, 2000. She was born in Dimondale on December 11, 1918 to Gershom & Ruth (Hershbarger) Wiborn. She married Donald Corliss at Fort Lauderdale, Florida on March 16, 1956. He preceded her in death in 1995. Margaret was a Registered Nurse and had worked at Sparrow Hospital in Lansing. Her last employment was a salad prep for Caberfae Motor Lodge in Cadillac. She had worked there for 15 years and retired in 1980. She enjoyed gardening, house plants, crocheting, reading, her animals, and antiques. She was a very spunky and social person. She dearly enjoyed her grandchildren. She also enjoyed going to sports events.

Surviving are son, George (Deb) Corliss of McBain; 2 stepsons, Kenneth (Linda) Corliss of Kalamazoo and Donald Corliss, Jr. of Sturgis; 1 adopted son, Ronald Kitchen of Marquette; 14 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren; sister-in-law, Roberta Wiborn of Dimondale; nieces, nephews & cousins. She was preceded in death by her parents and 4 brothers, Robert Wiborn, John Wiborn, Cy Wiborn, and Roland Wiborn.

Funeral services will be Tuesday, June 27th, at 1 p.m. at the Burkholder Funeral Home in McBain with George Corliss officiating. Burial will be at Riverside Township Cemetery. Memorial tributes can be made to Listen American Drug Prevention Programs.

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MARY ELIZABETH BRYSON

Mary Elizabeth Bryson, age 53 of Eaton Rapids, died Friday, June 23, 2000 at her residence following a terminal illness. She was born August 5, 1946 in Leslie, the daughter of William and Heloise (Stiner) Kannawin. Mary was a Leslie High School graduate, class of 1964. She was employed by Enterprize Marketing of Wyoming, MI. She was also a former Girl Scout Leader, member of the Griffith United Methodist Church and Secretary for the Griffith United Methodist Women.

Surviving are her husband of 35 years, Tom; daughter, Shelley (Brad) Homer of Batavia, IL; son, Alan Bryson of Leslie; 2 brothers, William (Martha) Kannawin of Canyon Lake, TX and Jack (Beth) Kannawin of Leslie; several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be Tuesday, June 27th at 11 a.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids with the Rev. Jack Fugate officiating. Burial will follow in Woodlawn Cemetery in Leslie. For those desiring, a memorial contribution may be made to either the American Cancer Society or the Griffith United Methodist Church Building Fund in memory of Mary E. Bryson.

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PIERCE, JIM H. "SMILEY"

Eaton Rapids

Age 56, died Tuesday, June 27, 2000 at his residence. Jim was born February 27, 1944 in Eaton Rapids, the son of Daniel Henry and Grace (Harrison) Pierce. He was a partner with his father and brother in a large family farming operation in Hamlin Twp. for many years. Jim was a veteran of the United States Navy serving in the CBs during Viet Nam and was later a member of the Onondaga V.F.W. Post #6986. He was a volunteer fire fighter with the Hamlin Twp. Fire Department and a former Hamlin Twp. Trustee. Above all, he was a devoted Michigan Fan. Jim was preceded in death by his father, Daniel in 1991. Surviving are his mother, Grace Pierce of Eaton Rapids; 2 brothers, Robert D. (Marsha) Pierce of Morenci, John D. Pierce of Lansing; niece, Amanda Pierce; 2 nephews, Bill (Susan) Pierce, Jim (Mimi) Pierce, 4 grand-nephews, Cody, Travis, Jerimiah and Wesley. Funeral services will be held on **Friday, June 30, 2000, 1 p.m. at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, 518 S. Main, Eaton Rapids** with Rev. Stephen Klink officiating. Interment will follow at Rosehill Cemetery, Eaton Rapids. The family will receive friends on Thursday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. at the Funeral Home. Those desiring may make contributions to the Hamlin Twp. Fire Department in memory of Jim Pierce. www.Legacy.com

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HARRY O. CARD

Harry O. Card, age 76 of Riverview, FL, passed away Monday, June 26, 2000 under the care of LifePath Hospice. He was born in Eaton Rapids on June 27, 1923 to J. Manley and Imah Odell Card. He belonged to the Eaton Rapids Methodist Church and sang in the choir for many years. After serving in the Army from February 1943 to October 1945, he then joined his father in business in Card's Food Locker. He retired in 1982 to Riverview, FL. Preceding him in death were his parents.

Surviving are his wife of 55 years, Elizabeth of Riverview; sons, Christopher (Michelle), and Charles (Martha); 9 grandchildren, Billy, Ben, Kelly, Jason, Charlie, Cathy, Jenny, Dalton, Alexis and 1 great-grandchild, Mikayla, all of Virginia; his sister, Helen Hovis of Bay City, MI; and many nieces and nephews.

Donations in honor of Harry's life may be made to LifePath Hospice, 3010 W. Azele St., Tampa, FL 33609. Arrangements were made by Serenity Meadows Funeral Home, Riverview, FL.

Obituaries

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FLORENCE C. JACKSON

Florence C. Jackson, age 89, died Tuesday, June 27, 2000 in Springfield, Ohio. Florence was born June 27, 1911 in Onstead, the daughter of George Edward and Georginia Eliza (Armstrong) White. She was a member of the Eaton Rapids First United Methodist Church. Florence graduated from Eastern Michigan University, Class of 1941, and taught in the Michigan public schools for 39 years with 25 years in the Eaton Rapids schools. She was a member of the National, State and County Education Associations and very active in the Eaton Rapids Hospital Auxiliary. She was preceded in death by her husband, Chester, in 1989; 2 sisters, Elizabeth Crow in 1980 and Bonita Cisco in 1997; and brother, Dr. Edward White in 1988.

Florence is survived by 3 nephews, Chris J. (Brenda) White of Bakersfield, CA, Sam (Chris) White of Visalia, CA, Eric (Terri) Crow of Springfield OH; 3 nieces, Susan Tovar of Tulare, CA, Ann (Gerald) Baker of Springfield, OH, Connie McBrayer of Flat Rock, NC; 7 grandnephews and 8 grandnieces.

Funeral services were held Saturday, July 1, 2000, at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids, with Pastor Tom Evans of the Eaton Rapids First United Methodist Church officiating. Interment followed at Rosehill Cemetery, Eaton Rapids. Those desiring may make contributions to either the First United Methodist Church Building Fund or the Eaton Rapids Medical Center Building Fund in memory of Florence Jackson.

JIM H. "SMILEY" PIERCE

Jim H. "Smiley" Pierce, age 56, died Tuesday, June 27, 2000 at his residence. Jim was born February 27, 1944 in Eaton Rapids, the son of Daniel Henry and Grace (Harrison) Pierce. He was a partner with his father and brother in a large family farming operation in Hamlin Twp. for many years. Jim was a veteran of the U.S. Navy serving in the CB's in Viet Nam and was later a member of the Onondaga VFW Post #6986. He was a volunteer fire fighter with the Hamlin Twp. Fire Dept. and a former Hamlin Twp. Trustee. Above all, he was a devoted Michigan Fan. Jim was preceded in death by his father, Daniel in 1991.

Surviving are his mother, Grace Pierce of Eaton Rapids; 2 brothers, Robert D. (Marsha) Pierce of Morenci, John D. Pierce of Lansing; niece, Amanda Pierce; 2 nephews, Bill (Susan) Pierce, Jim (Mimi) Pierce; 4 grand nephews, Cody, Travis, Jerimiah and Wesley.

Funeral services were held on Friday, June 30, 2000 at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids, with Rev. Stephen Klink officiating. Interment followed at Rosehill Cemetery, Eaton Rapids. Those desiring may make contributions to the Hamlin Twp. Fire Department in memory of Jim Pierce. www.Legacy.com

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ELFRIEDE H. "ELFIE" McCracken

Elfriede H. "Elfie" McCracken, age 75, died Wednesday, June 14, 2000, in Lansing. Elfie was born July 16, 1924 in Karlsruhe, Germany, the daughter of Leopold Eschney and Elizabeth (Moll) Vischer. She retired from Eaton Technology in 1988 after 20 years of service. Elfie was preceded in death by her husband, Kenneth R. McCracken in 1983.

Surviving are her daughter, Heidi (Dave) Coe of Illinois; 3 sons, Jim (and his girl friend Cathy Dean) McCracken of Olivet, Charles (Joann) O'Kraski, Leo (Sue) O'Kraski both of Illinois; 7 grandchildren, Megan, Ryan, Halley and Dylan O'Kraski, Lindsay and Jamie Coe and Miranda McCracken.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, June 17, 2000, at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids with Rev. Stephen Klink, Pastor of the Eaton Rapids Community Christian Church officiating. Interment will be at Fort Custer National Cemetery in Augusta.

BRYSON, MARY ELIZABETH

Eaton Rapids

Age 53, died Friday, June 23, 2000 at her residence following a terminal illness. Born August 5, 1946 in Leslie, the daughter of William and Heloise (Stiner) Kannawin. Mary was a Leslie High School graduate, class of 1964. She was employed by Enterprize Marketing of Wyoming, MI. A former Girl Scout Leader and a member of the Griffith United Methodist Church and Secretary for the Griffith United Methodist Women. Surviving are her husband of 35 years, Tom; daughter, Shelley (Brad) Homer of Batavia, IL; son, Alan Bryson of Leslie; 2 brothers, William (Martha) Kannawin of Canyon Lake, TX, and Jack (Beth) Kannawin of Leslie; several nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be **Tuesday, June 27 at 11 a.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids** with the Rev. Jack Fugate officiating. Burial will follow in Woodlawn Cemetery in Leslie. Visitation will be Sunday from 6-8 p.m. and Monday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at the funeral home. For those desiring, a memorial contribution may be made to either the American Cancer Society or the Griffith United Methodist Church Building Fund in memory of Mary E. Bryson.

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REESE, DALE E.

Eaton Rapids

Age 78, died Tuesday, June 20, 2000, in Lansing. Born May 13, 1922, in McComb, OH, the son of Ember and Laura (Madouse) Reese. Dale was an Eaton Rapids High School graduate, class of 1940. He retired as an Agent for the Prudential Life Insurance Co. for the Eaton Rapids area, had served as a volunteer for 18 years, and was a former Assistant Fire Chief for the Eaton Rapids Fire Department. Preceding him in death were 2 grandchildren, Wayne and Wendy Strank; 2 brothers, Clyde and Lloyd Reese; and sister, Esther Shepard. Surviving are his wife of 54 years, Lola; 2 daughters, Gail (David) Strank and Vicki (Marvin) Ellsworth, all of Eaton Rapids; 8 grandchildren, Laura and Peter Strank, Debra (Nick) Tupper, Douglas (Bonnie) Ellsworth, Daniel (Karie) Ellsworth, Shad, Luke and Elizabeth Ellsworth; 10 great grandchildren; 4 great great grandchildren; and mother-in-law, Georgia Livingston. Funeral services will be held **Friday, June 23, 1 p.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids**. Visitation will be Thursday evening from 6-9 p.m. at the Funeral Home. For those desiring, a memorial contribution may be made to the Eaton Rapids Fire Department in memory of Dale E. Reese.

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SHIRLEY A. WINSTEAD

Shirley A. Winstead, age 64, died June 21, 2000 in Ann Arbor. Shirley was born May 6, 1936 in Napoleon, the daughter of Albert and Bernadine E. (Miller) Mangus. Mrs. Winstead was an Associate Minister with the Spiritual Episcopal Church in Eaton Rapids. She received voice training in Jackson, sang in operas on stage in Chicago and was a member of the Eaton Rapids Women's Chorus. Shirley was employed at the Eaton Rapids Community Hospital and was known as the "Singing Nurse". She was the owner and operator of the Sunflower Lodge, Adult Foster Care Home and three other homes for the developmentally disabled; sold them in 1989 and retired due to her heart transplant. Shirley was preceded in death by her husband, Gerald Thomas Winstead in 1966.

Surviving are 2 daughters, Cheryl (Corey) French of Eaton Rapids, Alberta (Richard) Duffrin of Springport; son, Jaimeson (Giget) Winstead of Eaton Rapids; 8 grandchildren, Aaron, K-C, Alana, John, Alesha, Cassandra, Sarah, Monica; and an uncle, Dick Fox of Jackson.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, June 24, 2000, at the Shelly-Odell funeral Home, Eaton Rapids with Rev. Jay Powell officiating. Interment followed at Bunker Hill Cemetery, Eaton Rapids. Those desiring may make contributions to the University of Michigan Medical Center, Transplantation Unit in memory of Shirley Winstead. www.Legacy.com.

DALE E. REESE

Dale E. Reese, age 78 of Eaton Rapids, died Tuesday, June 20, 2000 at a Lansing hospital. He was born May 13, 1922 in McComb, Ohio, the son of Ember and Laura (Madouse) Reese. Dale and his family moved to Eaton Rapids in 1925, when he was 3 years old. He attended the Eaton Rapids High School and had graduated in 1940. Early on, Dale had worked in Eaton Rapids for Charlie and Ellen Smith at their Service Station and later for Jack Harris at Zephyr Gas Station. He retired as an Agent for the Prudential Life Insurance Company, serving the Eaton Rapids area. Dale volunteered for the Eaton Rapids Fire Department, serving 18 years, and was a former Assistant Fire Chief. Preceding him in death were 2 grandchildren, Wayne and Wendy Strank; 2 brothers, Clyde and Lloyd Reese; and a sister, Esther Shepard.

Surviving are his wife of 54 years, Lola; 2 daughters, Gail (David) Strank of Eaton Rapids and Vicki (Marvin) Ellsworth of Eaton Rapids; 8 grandchildren, Laura and Peter Strank, Debra (Nick) Tupper, Douglas (Bonnie) Ellsworth, Daniel (Karie) Ellsworth, Shad, Luke and Elizabeth Ellsworth; 10 great-grandchildren and 4 great-great-grandchildren; mother-in-law, Georgia Livingston.

Funeral services were held on Friday, June 23rd at Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids with the Rev. Dennis Perkins of the Eaton Rapids Wesleyan Church officiating. Burial followed in the Plains Cemetery in rural Eaton Rapids. Pall bearers were Eaton Rapids Firemen, Roger McNutt, Kim Freer, Troy Oliver, Brian Walker, Mark Miller, Kevin Holland and Scott Perry. For those desiring, a memorial contribution may be made to the Eaton Rapids Fire Department in memory of Dale E. Reese.

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**COLLINS, RICHARD "RICK"
EUGENE****Eaton Rapids**

Age 52; died Wednesday, June 7, 2000 as a result of a motorcycle accident. Rick was born November 20, 1947 in Charlotte, MI, the son of Ken Collins and Doris Holly. He was a sales representative for Ziebart. He is survived by his wife Jeannie (Smith) Collins; daughter, Kim Collins of Pittsburg, Pennsylvania; son, Kevin (Melinda) Collins; grand-daughter, Marissa Collins, all of Elk Grove, California; mother, Doris (Winslow) Holly of Charlotte; sister, Kathy (Bill) Andrews; and nieces, Angie and Molly Andrews, all of St. Louis, Missouri; sister-in-law, Marilyn (Skip) Hart of Lebanon, Indiana; nephews, Skipper and Dan Hart; nieces, Allison and Megan Hart; father-in-law, Bob Smith of Eaton Rapids; aunt, Mable Clough of Charlotte. He was preceded in death by his father in 1998. Funeral services will be **1 p.m. Saturday, June 10, 2000 at Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte, MI** with Rev. Dr. Peter R. K. Brenner officiating. Interment will be in Maple Hill Cemetery in Charlotte. Visitation will be Friday 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. at Pray Funeral Home. Further information available at www.legacy.com. The family has suggested memorial contributions to your local community Hospice organizations. Arrangements by the Pray Funeral Home, Inc. *LSJ 6-9-00*

* *Flashes***CAMBRIC, CHARLES J.****Eaton Rapids**

Age 81; died Wednesday, June 7, 2000. Born March 9, 1919 in Jackson the son of Eugene and Edith (Sayles) Cambric. Mr. Cambric served in the Army during World War II and had retired in 1976 from General Motors in Lansing. A life member of the V.F.W. Post #7309 in Mason, life member of F.&A.M. Lodge in Onondaga and a member of the F.O.E. #1825 in Gaylord. He was preceded in death by grandson, Rob in 1989. Surviving are 4 children, Steven (Toni) Cambric of Stanton, Linda (Charles) Cleveland of New Ulm, TX., Robert (Ellen) Cambric of Houston, TX., and James (Carol) Cambric of Eaton Rapids; 13 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren; sister, Arlene Smith of Eaton Rapids. Funeral services will be **Saturday, June 10 at 11 a.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids**. Burial will follow in the Plains Cemetery in Eaton Rapids. Visitation will be Friday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at the funeral home. *LSJ 6-9-2000*

Obituaries*Flashes 6-13-00***RUTH F. NAYLOR**

Ruth F. Naylor, age 88, died Saturday, June 10, 2000 in Grayling. Ruth was born June 6, 1912 in Great Falls, Montana, the daughter of Frank and Flora (Coy) Gunnell. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Eaton Rapids. Ruth helped her husband, Frank, on the farm and he preceded her in death as did also her son-in-law, Larry Herrick and great-grandson, Dekota Rowley.

Surviving are her daughter, Carol (Duke) Lamotte of Grayling; 2 sons, Reese Naylor and friend Anne Wamsley of Pea Ridge, Arkansas and Keith (Diana) Naylor of Eaton Rapids; 10 grandchildren, Ron Naylor, Cindy (Dennis) Hasenick, John Herrick, Kim Reynolds, Curt (Kris) Lamotte, Mike (Amber) Wakley, Tammy (Paul) Rowley, Kim Wakley, Mike Naylor, Stacey (Jim) Clickner and 12 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, June 13, 2000, 11 a.m. at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids, with Pastor Tom Evans officiating. Those desiring may make contributions to the First United Methodist Church Building Fund or Americare Hospice, Grayling in memory of Ruth Naylor. www.Legacy.com

**CHARLES JOHN
CAMBRIC**

Charles J. Cambric, age 81 of Eaton Rapids, died Wednesday, June 7, 2000 at the Eaton Rapids Medical Center. He was born March 9, 1919 in Jackson, Michigan, the son of Eugene and Edith (Sayles) Cambric. Mr. Cambric served in the Army during World War II and had retired in 1976 as a Tool Crib Attendant for Oldsmobile in Lansing. A life member of the V.F.W. Post #7309 of Mason, a life member of the Masonic Lodge #192 of Onondaga and a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles Lodge #1825 of Gaylord. Preceding him in death was a grandson, Rob Cambric, in 1989.

Surviving are 4 children, Steven (Toni) Cambric of Stanton, Linda (Charles) Cleveland of New Ulm, Texas, Robert (Ellen) Cambric of Houston, Texas and James (Carol) Cambric of Eaton Rapids; 13 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren; sister, Arlene "Peg" Smith of Eaton Rapids and 3 nieces.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, June 10th, from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids with the Rev. Stephen Klink of the Community Christian Church officiating. Burial followed in the Plains Cemetery in rural Eaton Rapids where full military honors were provided by the V.F.W. Post #7309. Casket bearers were Joseph Cambric, Erin Cambric, Gary Werner, Todd Werner, Jeff Werner and Gabriel Ulrich; honorary bearers were Robert and Steven Cambric. For those desiring, a memorial contribution may be made to the Eaton Rapids Masonic Lodge, in memory of Charles J. Cambric.

**LUTE HARTENBURG**

Lute Hartenburg, age 86, died Tuesday, June 6, 2000 in Lansing. Lute was born July 19, 1913 in Eaton Rapids Twp., the son of Burr Riley and Mable Lavine (Higelmire) Hartenburg and was raised by his step father, Rocky Canady from the age of 14. Mr. Hartenburg was an active member of the Robbins United Methodist Church, a prominent Eaton Rapids farmer and served as President of the Eaton County Farm Bureau. He was a Past President of the Eaton Rapids School Board. Lute loved farming, his grandchildren, fishing, gardening, and working in his yard. He was preceded in death by 2 sons, Burr & Jerry L.; sister, Erma Anderson; brother, Wayland "Wade" Hartenburg; 2 brothers-in-law, Bernard (Ellen) Bellows, Emory Anderson and his step brother, Vern Canady.

Surviving are his wife of 64 years, Maxine O. (Bellows); son, Vern J. (Dianne) Hartenburg of Westlake, Ohio; daughter-in-law, Renee Hartenburg of Eaton Rapids; 10 grandchildren, Julie (Doug) Tews, Gretchen (Keith) Pretty, Rachel (Jim) Myers, Kurt Hartenburg and their mother, Audrey Hartenburg; Heidi (John) McGarry, Derrick L. Hartenburg, Heather (Paul) DeRose, John (Melissa) Hartenburg, Ben (Andrea) Hartenburg, Peter Hartenburg; 13 great-grandchildren, Jenna Tews, Adam Pretty, Audra Pretty, Victoria Pretty, Kathryn Pretty, Thomas Myers, Maria Myers, Molly McGarry, Megan McGarry, Zach Hartenburg, Evan Hartenburg, Ross Hartenburg, Paige Hartenburg; 2 sisters-in-law, Leone Hartenburg of Eaton Rapids, Lola Anderson of St. Louis; step sister, Myrtle Canady of AZ; several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Funeral services were held Friday, June 9, 2000 at the Robbins United Methodist Church, Eaton Rapids, with Pastor Marty DeBow officiating. Interment followed at Oakwood Cemetery, Eaton Rapids. Casket bearers were Kurt Hartenburg, Derrick Hartenburg, John Hartenburg, Ben Hartenburg, and Peter Hartenburg. The family was served through the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. Those desiring may make contributions to the Robbins United Methodist church in memory of Lute Hartenburg. www.Legacy.com

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JEANNINE G. (LACROIX) PERRY

Jeannine G. (LaCroix) Perry of Pulaski, Tennessee, formerly of Eaton Rapids, died May 17, 2000 as the result of an auto accident.

Surviving are her husband of 16 years, Matthew, son Aaron and daughter Sarah all of Pulaski; brother, John LaCroix of Detroit, MI; sister, Michele LaCroix of Boston, MA.

There were no funeral services.



LEOLA LAVON YARRINGTON

Leola Lavon Yarrington was born at Willow Lake, SD to Eilert and Rose Janssen on January 20, 1927. After a lingering illness, she passed away at home in Wesleyan Village, Brooksville, FL, on May 7, 2000. When Leola was 10 years old, the family moved to Mitchell, SD where the family became active in the Wesleyan Methodist Church. She graduated from Mitchell High School and attended Marion College (now IWU) in Indiana. After college, she lived in Waterloo, Iowa, where she met and married Dean A. Yarrington on March 18, 1950. They observed their 50th anniversary this year with family and friends at Kissimmee, FL. She worked at the John Deere Tractor Works, Waterloo, and as the bookkeeper in the family business in Cedar Falls, Iowa. Upon the sale of their company, they traveled in their RV and later worked as a house parent at the Veterans of Foreign Wars National Children's Home, Eaton Rapids, MI. After their retirement they again traveled in their RV and became active in volunteer work with the missions group RVICS. In 1998 they moved to Wesleyan Village. She found a blessing in anything and everything. She was a loving wife for 50 years to Dean, and a blessing to her children and grandchildren all their lives. Her life was her testimony to her faith and deep spiritual life.

She is survived by her husband Dean; one son, Dean Jr. (Claudia) of Atlanta, GA; four daughters, Jane (Scott) Jackson of Joplin, MO, Gail (Jeff) Brown of Eaton Rapids, Meri (Mike) Ferrell of Houston, TX, and June (Conroy) Campbell of Tulsa, OK; 18 grandchildren; brother, Duane H. Janssen, Sr. of Brooksville, FL; several nieces and nephews and a host of friends. She was preceded in death by her parents.

Burial is in the Brooksville Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Pasco Hernando Hospice, 12107 Majestic Blvd., Hudson, FL 34667 or to Pioneers Missionary Organization, 12343 Narcoossee Road, Orlando, FL 32827-6020 in support of her grandchildren Matthew and Melissa Yarrington.

Obituaries

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CATHERINE L. FINCH

Catherine L. Finch, age 89, died Tuesday, May 23, 2000 in Holt. Catherine was born May 19, 1911 in Eaton Rapids, the daughter of Harry Pete and Florence (Hamlin) Walworth. She was a member of the First Congregational Church in Eaton Rapids. Mrs. Finch was preceded in death by her husband, Lewis and brother, Kenneth Walworth.

Surviving are her son, Herbert Finch of Eaton Rapids; 2 brothers, Lyle (Inez) Walworth of Jackson and Victor (Jean) Walworth of South Carolina.

Funeral services were held on Friday, May 26, 2000 at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. Interment followed at Rosehill Cemetery Eaton Rapids. Those desiring may make contributions to the Eaton Rapids Senior Center in memory of Catherine Finch.

FINCH, CATHERINE L.

Eaton Rapids

Age 89, died Tuesday, May 23, 2000 in Holt. Catherine was born May 19, 1911 in Eaton Rapids, the daughter of Harry Pete and Florence (Hamlin) Walworth. She was a member of the First Congregational Church in Eaton Rapids. Mrs. Finch was preceded in death by her husband, Lewis and brother, Kenneth Walworth. Surviving are her son, Herbert Finch of Eaton Rapids; 2 brothers, Lyle (Inez) Walworth of Jackson and Victor (Jean) Walworth of South Carolina. Funeral services will be held on **Friday, May 26, 2000, 1 p.m. at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, 518 S. Main, Eaton Rapids.** Interment will follow at Rosehill Cemetery, Eaton Rapids. The family will receive friends 1 hour prior to the service. Those desiring may make contributions to the Eaton Rapids Senior Center in memory of Catherine Finch. **5-25-00**
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HOWARD E. SMILEY

Howard E. Smiley, age 89 of Portland, died Wednesday, May 24, 2000. He was born September 16, 1910 in Mason the son of William and Dora (Whipp) Smiley. Howard was raised in Mason and had graduated from Mason High School. He was a retired Manager for the A&P Food Store in Portland, a Life member of the Masonic Lodge in Portland, a 40 year member and past treasurer for the Portland Fire Department and former member of the Portland Chamber of Commerce. Preceding him in death were his wife, Lorene (Hyatt); sisters and brothers, Erma, Eva, Theodore, Everett, Ellis and Elmer Smiley.

Surviving are son, Gary (Helen) Smiley of Ionia; stepsons, Jerold (Jaynie) Lane of Naperville, IL and Jon (Mary) Lane of Raymond, CO; 3 grandchildren and 4 step-grandchildren; brother, Harry Smiley of Holt; several nieces and nephews.

Graveside services were held May 27th at the Fowler Cemetery in rural Eaton Rapids. Arrangements were made by the Skinner Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. For Those desiring, a memorial contribution may be made to either the Portland Fire Department or the Masonic Lodge in memory of Howard E. Smiley.



BARBARA A. (SCHNEEBERGER) GROOMS

Barbara A. (Schneeberger) Grooms, age 48 of Dimondale, died May 26, 2000 at a Lansing hospital. She was born October 15, 1951 in Lansing, a daughter of Glenn and Alice (Umlor) Schneeberger. A 1970 graduate of Eaton Rapids High School, she was employed at Independence Village and formerly at Don's Windmill Truck Stop. Her father, Glenn Schneeberger, predeceased her.

Surviving are her mother, Alice Schneeberger, three sisters, Donna (James) Hammel, Bonnie Schneeberger, Jackie (Daniel) Pope; two brothers, Donald Schneeberger, Roger (Bev) Schneeberger; several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and numerous friends.

Services will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday at Field & Leik Funeral Home, Dimondale, with Rev. John A. Toth officiating. Interment will be in Dimondale Cemetery.

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CAMP, MARY L.

Eaton Rapids

Age 70; died Saturday, June 3, 2000. Born October 9, 1929 in Shelby, North Carolina. Mary worked at the Home Port Restaurant and was the former manager of the Econ-O-Wash Laundry in Eaton Rapids. She was preceded in death by her parents; brothers, Guy, Elmo, and Eubert Cabiness; son, Dwight Camp; daughter-in-law, Tammy Camp; grandson, Michael Miller; sisters-in-law, Lois and Estiline Cabiness, and brother-in-law, Clyde Kirby. Surviving are her husband of 47 years, James; children, Laura (Vernie) Miller, Diane Oberlin, James Camp Jr., Brian Camp, Deborah (David) Lynch, and Caroyll Camp; sisters, Beuna Kirby and Jane (J.V.) Weaver; brothers, Wilbur and Paul (Pauline) Cabiness; sisters-in-law, Viola and Daisy Cabiness; 13 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren; many nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be **Tuesday, June 6 at 11 a.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids.** Burial will be Thursday morning in Shelby, N.C. Visitation will be Monday evening from 6-9 p.m. at the funeral home. For those desiring, a memorial contribution may be made to the Eaton Community Hospice in memory of Mary L. Camp. *LSJ 6-5-00*

Obituary

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MARY LEE CAMP

Mary Lee Camp, age 70 of Eaton Rapids, died Saturday, June 3, 2000 at a Lansing hospital. She was born October 9, 1929 in Shelby, North Carolina, the daughter of Shelton and Barbara Lee (Davis) Cabiness. Mary worked at the Home Port Restaurant and was the former Manager of the Econ-O-Wash Laundry both in Eaton Rapids. A founding member of the Island City Baptist Church and former member of the Rebekah Sunshine Lodge #142 both in Eaton Rapids. She was preceded in death by her parents; brothers, Guy, Elmo and Eubert Cabiness; son, Dwight Camp; Daughter-in-law, Tammy Miller; grandson, Michael Miller; sisters-in-law, Lois and Estiline Cabiness and brother-in-law, Clyde Kirby.

Surviving are her husband of 47 years, James; children, Laura (Vernie) Miller, Diane Oberlin, James Camp Jr., Brian Camp, Deborah (David) Lynch, and Caroyll Camp; sisters, Beuna Kirby and Jane (J.V.) Weaver; brothers, Wilbur and Paul (Pauline) Cabiness;

sisters-in-law, Viola and Daisy Cabiness; 13 grandchildren, Denny and David Miller, Jeffrey and Michelle Oberlin, Christina Johnson, Benjamin, Daniel, Timmy, Clifford, Robert and Scott Camp, Chandra and Joshua Lynch; 7 great-grandchildren, Tracie, Marcus, Christopher and Keisha Miller, Jacob and Tyler Oberlin-Scott, and Clorissa Oberlin; many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be Tuesday, June 6th at 11 a.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids with the Rev. Stephen Klink officiating. Services will also be held on Thursday, June 8th at 11 a.m. at the Clay-Barnette Funeral Home at Shelby, North Carolina with visitation on Wednesday evening from 6 - 8 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will follow the service in the Pleasant Hill Baptist Church Cemetery in Shelby. For those desiring, memorial contributions may be made to the Eaton Community Hospice at P.O. Box 636 Charlotte, MI 48813.

SILSBY, MARIA

Eaton Rapids

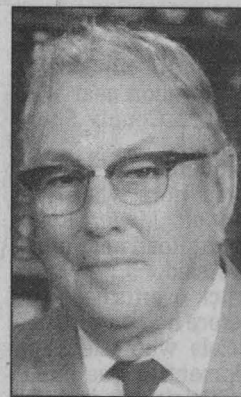


Maria Logenburg Silsby (Mary) of Eaton Rapids, 92, departed this early plane Monday, June 5, 2000. She was born August 20, 1907 in Gelsenkirchen, Germa-

ny; the daughter of Johann and Maria Lipka. Maria grew up in Winburne, PA, lived for over 20 years in Clearfield, PA, before coming to Lansing in 1953. She retired from the State of Michigan in 1972 and was a member of Unity of Greater Lansing. Maria (Mary) loved her music and played the piano, accordion, banjo, mandolin for many years, and took lessons on guitar as recently as a few years ago. Many thanks to Betty Breakey and staff at Maplewood AFC Home, for their loving care. She is survived by 2 daughters, Betty (George) Lay of Holt, and Inge (Arthur) Kyler of Eaton Rapids; 7 grandchildren, Heidi (Dave) Paseka of Lansing, Steve Kyler of Williamston, Glenn (Becky) Kyler of Grand Forks, ND, Bonnie Lay and Laurie (Russell) Rotta of Lansing, Ron (Jinny) Lay of Bangkok, Thailand, and Alexis Rose Lay of Miami, FL; 6 great-grandchildren, Timothy (Melissa) Richter, Tiffany and Cody Paseka, Linda Marie and Cindy Ann Lay, and Russell Joshua Rotta; and 1 great-great-grandchild, Melina Richter. She is survived by 1 brother, Jeff Robin Tarkhill (Gus Lipka). She was preceded in death by her husband, William G. Logenburg in 1960, and her husband, Forrest (Sam) Silsby in 1995, and by the following brothers and sisters: Martha Worgul, Emma Lipka, Paul Albert Lipka, Alfred Lipka, Johanna Reeves, Ester Bimmel, Helen Cianciola, and John Herbert Lipka. A funeral service will be conducted by Rev. Lynn Grimes of Holt United Methodist Church at **11 a.m. Thursday, June 8, 2000 at the Estes-Leadley Holt/Delhi Chapel.** Interment will be in Delta Center Cemetery. The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Wednesday, June 7, 2000 at 6-8 p.m. *LSJ 6-7-2000*

HARTENBURG, LUTE

Eaton Rapids



Age 86, died Tuesday, June 6, 2000 in Lansing. Lute was born July 19, 1913 in Eaton Rapids Twp., the son of Burr Riley and Mable Lavine (Higelmire) Hartenburg and was

raised by his stepfather, Rocky Canady from the age of 14. Mr. Hartenburg was an active member of the Robbins United Methodist Church, a prominent Eaton Rapids farmer and served as President of the Eaton County Farm Bureau. He was a Past President of the Eaton Rapids School Board. Lute loved farming, his grandchildren, fishing, gardening, and working in his yard. He was preceded in death by 2 sons, Burr and Jerry L.; sister, Erma Anderson; brother, Wayland "Wade" Hartenburg; 2 brothers-in-law, Bernard (Ellen) Bellows, Emory Anderson and his step-brother, Vern Canady. Surviving are his wife of 64 years, Maxine O. (Bellows); son, Vern J. (Dianne) Hartenburg of Westlake, OH; daughter-in-law Renee Hartenburg of Eaton Rapids; 10 grandchildren, Julie (Doug) Tews, Gretchen (Keith) Pretty, Rachel (Jim) Myers, Kurt Hartenburg and their mother, Audrey Hartenburg; Heidi (John) McGarry, Derrick L. Hartenburg, Heather (Paul) DeRose, John (Melissa) Hartenburg, Ben (Andrea) Hartenburg, Peter Hartenburg; 13 great-grandchildren, Jenna Tews Adam Pretty, Audra Pretty, Victoria Pretty, Kathryn Pretty, Thomas Myers, Maria Myers, Molly McGarry, Megan McGarry, Zach Hartenburg, Evan Hartenburg, Ross Hartenburg, Paige Hartenburg; 2 sisters-in-law, Leone Hartenburg of Eaton Rapids, Lola Anderson of St. Louis; step-sister, Myrtle Canady of Arizona; several nieces, nephews and cousins. Funeral services will be held on **Friday, June 9, 2000, 11 a.m. at the Robbins United Methodist Church, 6419 Bunker Road, Eaton Rapids,** with Pastor Marty DeBow officiating. Interment will follow at Oakwood Cemetery, Eaton Rapids. Casket bearers will be Kurt Hartenburg, Derrick Hartenburg, John Hartenburg, Ben Hartenburg, and Peter Hartenburg. The family will receive friends on Thursday from 1-3 and 6-9 p.m. at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, 518 S. Main, Eaton Rapids. Those desiring may make contributions to the Robbins United Methodist Church in memory of Lute Hartenburg. www.legacy.com *LSJ 6-7-2000*

SMITH, ALICE G. (SWARTOUT)

Eaton Rapids Formerly of Mason

Born January 4, 1920, in Lansing; died June 4, 2000, at the age of 80. Mrs. Smith was a longtime resident of Mason. She was preceded in death by her husbands, Chuck Swartout (1970) and Chester Smith (1986), and sister, Mary Jane Merrifield (1996). She was a loving mother and grandmother. Surviving are 1 daughter, Sue Swartout of Lakewood, CO; 4 sons, Harry (Liza) Swartout of Philippines, Robert (Paulette) Swartout of Eaton Rapids, James Swartout of Nederland, CO, and John (Jan) Swartout of Highlands Ranch, CO; 1 stepdaughter, Nancy (George) Evseeff of Basalt, CO; 7 grandchildren; and 2 brothers, Glen (Lorna) Dunn of Harbor Springs and Edward Dunn of Thousand Oaks, CA. Memorial services will be held **Friday, June 9, at 10 a.m. at the Gorsline-Runciman Co. Ball-Dunn Chapel, 621 S. Jefferson St., Mason.** A memorial visitation will be held at the Chapel on Thursday from 7-9 p.m. Those desiring may make contributions to Ingham Hospice, Ingham Regional Medical Center, 401 W. Greenlawn Ave., Lansing, 48910-9969, in memory of Mrs. Smith. *LSJ 6-6-2000*

MORGAN, HAZEL W. OLIVER

Eaton Rapids



Age 72, died after a lifetime of so much love and happiness and peacefully went to be with the Lord after a courageous battle with A.L.S. on Thursday, May 11, 2000. Born

December 29, 1927 in London, England the daughter of Robert and Ann Blackford. She came to America on October 22, 1948 and was employed by Casa Nova Restaurant for 27 years and the Sheraton Hotel in Lansing for 6 years. Hazel was a member of the St. Peter Catholic in Eaton Rapids. Preceding her in death were 2 sons, Brian and Jamie; parents; and 2 sisters. She touched so many hearts with kindness, all will remember her with love, but leaves us with everlasting memories! The family would like to give our deepest thanks to all who cared for Hazel; Eaton Rapids Medical Staff, Ingham Medical Hospital, University of Michigan Hospital, as well as visiting nurses, A.L.S. Foundation and Tri-County Office on Aging, with a special thank you to daughter, Deborah Martin and granddaughter, Jasmin Martin for all the care and comfort over the last few years. Surviving are 10 children, Helen (Jim) Strong, Sue Morgan, Robert (Debra) Morgan, Raymond (Angela) Morgan, Jeffrey (Mary Beth) Morgan, Deborah Martin, Michelle Morgan, Leonard (Kyle) Morgan, Terry Sparks and Chuck Oliver; 42 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren; 3 sisters, Esme (Alfred) Alcazar of Pensacola, FL, Hilda (Ivan) Lee and Freda Manning; 2 brothers, Robert and Raymond Blackford all of England; several nieces and nephews and friends. Mass of the Christian Burial will be **Monday, May 15, at 1 p.m. from St. Peter Church at 515 E. Knight St., Eaton Rapids.** Visitation will be Saturday and Sunday from 6-9 p.m. with a Rosary Sunday at 6 p.m. at the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids. For those desiring a memorial contribution may be made to the A.L.S. Association, 678 Front St., N.W., Suite 232, Grand Rapids, MI 49504, in memory of Hazel Oliver-Morgan. *LSJ 5-13-00*

Obituaries

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HAZEL W. MORGAN

Hazel W. Morgan, age 72 of Eaton Rapids, died after a lifetime of much love and happiness, and peacefully went to be with the Lord after a courageous battle with A.L.S., on Thursday, May 11, 2000. She was born December 29, 1927 in London, England, the daughter of Robert and Ann (Wright) Blackford. She came to America on October 22, 1948 and was employed by Casa Nova Restaurant for 27 years and the Sheraton Hotel in Lansing for 6 years. Hazel was a member of St. Peter Catholic Church in Eaton Rapids. Preceding her in death are 2 sons, Brian and Jamie; parents, Robert and Ann; and 2 sisters. She touched so many hearts with kindness, all will remember her with love, and she leaves us with everlasting memories! The family would like to give our deepest thanks to all who cared for Hazel, Eaton Rapids Medical Staff, Ingham Medical Hospital, University of Michigan Hospital, as well as visiting nurses, ALS foundation and Tri-County Office on Aging; with a special thank you to daughter, Deborah Martin and granddaughter, Jasmin Martin for all the care and comfort over the last few years.

Surviving are 10 children, Helen (Jim) Strong, Sue Morgan, Robert (Debra) Morgan, Raymond (Angela) Morgan, Jeffrey (Mary Beth) Morgan, Deborah Martin, Michelle Morgan, Leonard (Kyle) Morgan, Terry Sparks and Chuck Oliver; 42 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren; 3 sisters, Esme (Alfred) Alcazar of Pensacola, FL, Hilda (Ivan) Lee and Freda Manning; 2 brothers, Robert and Raymond Blackford all of England; several nieces and nephews and friends.

Mass of the Christian burial was held Monday, May 15th from the St. Peter Church, Eaton Rapids. A Rosary was held Sunday evening at the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids. Burial was in the Munger Cemetery in rural Eaton Rapids. Pall bearers were Jerry Warfield, Mark Shock, Steve Shock, Jeremy Cripe, Jeff Cripe and Donald Morgan; Honorary Pallbearers were John and Al Alcazar. For those desiring, a memorial contribution may be made to the ALS Association, 678 Front St. N.W., Suite 232, Grand Rapids, MI 49504 in memory of Hazel W. Morgan.

HELEN N. SWAN

Helen N. Swan, age 90, died Thursday, May 11, 2000 at Duck Lake. Helen was born March 29, 1910 in Springport, the daughter of John and Nellie Jane (Sebring) Caldwell. Mrs. Swan graduated from Springport High School as Class President in 1927, taught at the Hayden Country School in Jackson County, then went back to Western Michigan University ((then County Norman) for one year. She was a cashier and buyer (ready to wear) for J.C. Penney's Department Store. Later, Helen was the assistant cashier for the telephone company before returning to teach at Bath Mills for 8 years, first grade at Springport, then 17 years as a second, kindergarten and reading teacher at Northwestern and Union Street Schools in Eaton Rapids. Helen retired in 1974. She was preceded in death by her first husband, Kenneth E. Trimm; second husband, Russell E. Swan; brothers, Edgar, George, Frank, John and Donald Caldwell and her sister, Edith Peckham.

Surviving are her daughter, Mary Jane (Neil) Henry of Duck Lake and their children, Lt. Colonel Scott Anson (Linda) Henry of Columbia, SC, Sarah Allison Henry of Cape Haze, FL, Duncan Caldwell Henry of Duck Lake; Step son, Tom (Pat) Swan of Duck Lake and their children T. Michael (Darlene) Swan, Tim Swan and Mike Swan all of Eaton Rapids; 2 great-grandchildren, Avery Parker and Austin Wentworth Henry.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, May 13, 2000 at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids, with Rev. Jeanne Randels of the Okemos Community Church officiating. Interment followed at Rosehill Cemetery, Eaton Rapids. Those desiring may make contributions to the Eaton Rapids Elementary Reading Program, Eaton Rapids Medical Center Meals on Wheels or Calhoun County Hospice in memory of Helen Swan.

Obituaries

Flashes 5-9-00

ZELMADENE

ELOISE McHANEY

Zelmadene Eloise McHaney, age 69 of Narrow Lake, died Wednesday, May 3, 2000 at a Lansing hospital. She was born August 9, 1930 in Springport, the oldest of 10 children born to Howard and Twila (Greenslade) Place. Zelmadene was an Eaton Rapids High School graduate, class of 1949, and was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, Brookfield Lodge #352. She was preceded in death by a granddaughter, Sara McHaney; brother, Harold Place, and father, Howard.

Surviving are her husband of 48 years, Sam; 4 children, Michael McHaney of Leslie, Deborah (Brad) Bessent of Jacksonville, FL, David Randell (Tammy) McHaney of Mesa, AZ, and Thomas (Mary Lou) McHaney of Narrow Lake; 13 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren; Mother, Twila Place of Dimondale; 2 sisters, Norma Jean (Chuck) Cribley of Eaton Rapids and Sheila (Richard) Heisler of Charlotte; 6 brothers, Robert (Darlene) Place of Lake View, Phillip (Laurie) Place of Marshall, Merlyn (Sandy) Place of Olivet, Ronald (Laura) Place of Battle Creek, Daryl (Shirley) Place of Olivet and Kevin (Judy) Place of Olivet; sister-in-law Dora Place of Eaton Rapids; several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Monday, May 8th, from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids with Rev. Tom Evans of the First United Methodist Church officiating. Burial followed at the Perry Cemetery in Brookfield Township in Eaton County. Casket bearers were brothers, Robert, Phillip, Merlyn, Ronald, Daryl and Kevin Place. A Memorial Service was conducted Sunday, May 7th, by the Brookfield Lodge. For those desiring, a memorial contribution may be made to either the American Diabetes Association or the Order of the Eastern Star, Brookfield Lodge #352, in memory of Zelmadene E. McHaney.

HOWARD

RAYMOND SMITH

Howard Raymond Smith, age 79 of Aurelius Township, died Tuesday, May 2, 2000 at his residence following a long illness. He was born March 10, 1921 on the family farm in Aurelius Township, the son of Alva M. and Beulah Mae (Klink) Smith. Howard served in the Navy in communications on the U.S.S. Astoria during World War II. He was a retired Farmer and Auctioneer in the Aurelius and Mason area. A former 4-H Leader and member of the Ingham County Farm Bureau and Michigan Centennial Farm Association. He is a life member of the Lester Sitts VFW Post #5065 of Sheridan and a member of the Robbins United Methodist Church in rural Eaton Rapids.

Surviving are his wife of 53 years, Ruth; 5 children, Ronald (Connie) Smith of Mason, Dr. Patricia Anders (Terry Neujahr) of Tuscon, AZ, Sue Ellen (Mark) Betcher of Mason, Lawrence Howard (Annie) Smith of Eaton Rapids and Margaret Ruth Anderson of Mason; 14 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Friday, May 5th at the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids with Rev. Marty DeBow of the Robbins United Methodist Church officiating. Burial followed at the Fowler Cemetery in rural Eaton Rapids. Casket bearers were grandchildren, Lawrence Howard Smith, Paul Anders-Stout, Timothy Scott Strickland, Dustin Ronald Smith, Joseph Douglas Betcher, Alva Marie Smith, Lawrence Reese Smith and Sarah Ruth Anderson. Full military graveside honors were provided by the Lester Sitts VFW Post #5065 of Sheridan. For those desiring, memorial contributions may be made to either the Heartland Hospice, 700 W. Ash St., Mason, MI 48854 or Robbins United Methodist Church, 6419 Bunker Rd., Eaton Rapids, MI 48827 in memory of Howard R. Smith.

LEO A. EKINS

Leo A. Ekins, age 70, died Tuesday, May 2, 2000. Leo was born July 12, 1929 in Bellevue, the son of George W. and Jennie Viola (Peck) Ekins. He was a life member of the VFW Charlotte Post #2406 and retired from Oldsmobile in 1977 after 30 years of service. Leo was a friend of the First Congregational Church in Eaton Rapids. He was preceded in death by his sister, Audrey Gretton in 1999.

Surviving are his wife of 49 years, Pat (Bothwell); daughter, Janell Bush of Eaton Rapids; 3 grandchildren, Brad, Luke and Alana Bush; sister-in-law, Ilo (Bud) Baldwin of Eaton Rapids; brother-in-law, Don (Betty) Bothwell of AZ; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held on Friday, May 5, 2000, at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids, with Pastor Stephen Klink officiating. Interment followed at Rosehill Cemetery, Eaton Rapids. Casket bearers were Michael Baldwin, Kevin Baldwin, Jeff Baldwin, Douglas Baldwin, Dale Hawkins and Robert Morrow with honorary bearers Bradley and Lucas Bush. Those desiring may make contributions to the First Congregational Church, Eaton Rapids Senior Center or the charity of your choice. www.Legacy.com

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SWAN, HELEN N.

Eaton Rapids

Age 90; died Thursday, May 11, 2000 at Albion (Duck Lake). Helen was born March 29, 1910 in Springport, MI, the daughter of John and Nellie Jane (Sebring) Caldwell. She retired in 1974 after 17 years of teaching kindergarten, second grade and reading at Northwestern and Union Street Schools in Eaton Rapids. Helen was preceded in death by her first husband, Kenneth E. Trimm; second husband, Russell E. Swan; brothers, Edgar, George, Frank, John, and Donald Caldwell and her sister, Edith Peckham. Surviving are her daughter, Mary Jane (Neil) Henry of Duck Lake and their children, LTC Scott Anson (Linda) Henry of Columbia, SC., Sarah Allison Henry of Cape Haze, FL, Duncan Caldwell Henry of Duck Lake; step son, Tom (Pat) Swan of Duck Lake and their children Michael, Tim, and Michael Swan and 2 great-grandchildren, Avery Parker and Austin Wentworth Henry. Funeral services will be held on **Saturday, May 13, 2000 at 1 p.m. at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, 518 S. Main, Eaton Rapids** with Rev. Jeanne Randels of the Okemos Community Church officiating. Interment will follow at Rosehill Cemetery, Eaton Rapids. The family will receive friends on Friday from 5-7 p.m. at the Funeral Home. Those desiring may make contributions to the Eaton Rapids Elementary Reading Program, Eaton Rapids Medical Center Meals on Wheels or Calhoun County Hospice in memory of Helen Swan. **LSJ 5-12-00**

Obituaries

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DORIS MAY DePEEL

Doris May DePeel, age 76 of Eaton Rapids, died Wednesday, April 26, 2000 at a Lansing Hospital. She was born August 22, 1923 in Ingham County, the daughter of Bert and Bernice (Root) Parsons. Doris retired after 40 years of service with Acme Industries, formerly Rheem's, in Jackson. She was a member of the First Congregational Church in Eaton Rapids and was preceded in death by her husband Wayne in 1991.

Surviving are her son, Bill (Gwen) DePeel of Eaton Rapids; grandsons, Kevin and William DePeel both of Eaton Rapids; brother, Gordon Parsons of Irons, MI; sisters-in-law, Mona Parsons of Eaton Rapids and Irene Parsons of Lansing; several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Saturday, April 29th from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids with Pastor Mike Fountain of the Island City Baptist Church officiating. Interment followed at Hillcrest Memorial Park in Jackson, MI.

PAULA K. WILSON

Paula K. Wilson of Eaton Rapids (formerly of Holt) passed away on April 22, 2000 at the age of 31. She was born on June 26, 1968 in Mason and graduated from Holt High School in 1986. Paula served 8 years in the Army Reserves and was currently employed at Michigan Automotive Compressors, Inc. in Parma. Paula enjoyed the outdoors by camping, fishing and golfing. She enjoyed fixing computers and cars and going to drive-in movies. But she got her greatest joy by helping other people.

Surviving are her special friend Sheila Slentz of Eaton Rapids; parents Allan D. (Poppa) and Celia A. Wilson of Holt; grandfather A.H. Wilson of Delta Mills; 4 brothers Allan II (Ashlee) Wilson and Clifford Wilson of Lansing, Tyrone Wilson of Holt, and Andrew (Kelly) Wilson of East Lansing; best friend Dan Evans of Lansing; 6 nephews, 1 niece, several aunts, uncles, cousins and many friends.

Funeral services were held April 26th at the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids with Rev. Jack Fugate officiating. Those desiring may make contributions to any mental health facility or Toys for Tots in memory of Paula K. Wilson.

HELEN E. STRANG

Helen E. Strang, age 92, of Eaton Rapids died Wednesday, April 19, 2000. She was born December 19, 1907 in Senaco County, Ohio, the daughter of James and Maude (Stahl) Kime. Mrs Strang was a former employee of Horner's Woolen Mill and a former Practical Nurse for the Eaton Rapids Community Hospital. She was a life member of the Rabekah Sunshine Lodge #142 and a member of the First United Methodist Church both of Eaton Rapids. She was preceded in death by her husband, Stanley; son, Neil Stanley Strang; and daughter, Mildred "Mickey" Keith.

Surviving are her son, Douglas (Mary E. "Pat") Strang of Rapid City, MI; daughter-in-law, Penny Strang of Lansing; 8 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held April 22nd from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids with Rev. Tom Evans officiating. Burial followed in the Rosehill Cemetery in Eaton Rapids.

EKINS, LEO A.

Eaton Rapids



Age 70, died Tuesday, May 2, 2000. Leo was born July 12, 1929, in Bellevue, the son of George W. and Jennie Viola (Peck) Ekins. He was a life member of the V.F.W. Charlotte

Post #2406 and retired from Oldsmobile in 1977 after 30 years of service. Leo was a friend of the First Congregational Church in Eaton Rapids. He was preceded in death by his sister, Audrey Gretton in 1999. Surviving are his wife of 49 years, Pat (Bothwell); daughter, Janel Bush of Eaton Rapids; 3 grandchildren, Brad, Luke and Alana Bush; sister-in-law, Ilo (Bud) Baldwin of Eaton Rapids; brother-in-law, Don (Betty) Bothwell of Arizona; and several nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be held on **Friday, May 5, 2000, 11 a.m. at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, 518 S. Main, Eaton Rapids**, with Pastor Stephen Klink officiating. Interment will follow at Rosehill Cemetery, Eaton Rapids. The family will receive friends on Wednesday, 7-9 p.m., and Thursday, 2-4 & 7-9 p.m. at the Funeral Home. Those desiring may make contributions to the First Congregational Church, Eaton Rapids Senior Center or the charity of your choice. www.legacy.com

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STRANG, HELEN E.

Eaton Rapids

Age 92, died Wednesday, April 19, 2000. Born December 19, 1907 in Senaco County, OH, the daughter of James and Maude (Stahl) Kime. Mrs. Strang was a former employee of Horner's Woolen Mill and a former Practical Nurse for the Eaton Rapids Community Hospital. A life member of the Rebekah Sunshine Lodge #142 and a member of the First United Methodist Church both in Eaton Rapids. She was preceded in death by her husband, Stanley; son, Neil Stanley Strang; and daughter, Mildred "Mickey" Keith. Surviving are her son, Douglas (Mary E. "Pat") Strang of Rapid City, MI; daughter-in-law, Penny Strang of Lansing; 8 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be **Saturday, April 22 at 11 a.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids** with Rev. Tom Evans officiating. Burial will follow in the Rosehill Cemetery in Eaton Rapids. Visitation will be Friday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. at the funeral home.

LSJ 4-21-2000

Obituaries

Flashes 4-25-00

E. MAE CURRY

E. Mae Curry, age 91 of Eaton Rapids and formerly of Bellevue, passed away Thursday, April 20th. Mae was born March 21, 1909 in Amasa, Michigan. The daughter of Arvid S. and Mary L. (Wherly) Peterson, Mae was raised in Amasa before attending Ferris State College, where she earned her degree in elementary education. She later attended Western Michigan University. Mae was preceded in death by her husband Albert Curry, whom she married on June 23, 1933. She was an elementary school teacher in the Bellevue and Battle Creek Lakeview School systems for 18 years.

She is survived by sons Hugh (Sharon) Curry of Columbia, Missouri and Arvid (Sally) Curry of Greenville; a daughter, Mary (Arnie) Thuma of Eaton Rapids; grandchildren, Linda (Craig) Willis, Mark (Elizabeth) Curry, David (Jill) Curry, Mike Curry, Mindy Curry, Tracy (Greg) Gletek, and Jeff Thuma; 12 great-grandchildren; and her sister Margie Bieszczat of Iron River.

Funeral services will be Tuesday, April 25th, 11 a.m. at the Shaw Funeral Home, 2838 Capital Ave., S.W., Battle Creek, MI with Rev. Mark Thompson officiating. Interment will be at Riverside Cemetery, Bellevue. Memorial contributions may be made to the Bellevue First United Methodist Church.



**BILL JORDAN
"SHAWNEE BILL"**

Beloved husband, father, grandfather, great-father, brother and friend died Sunday, April 16, 2000 in Eaton Rapids at the age of 65. Bill was born August 2, 1934 in Eaton Rapids the son of Jesse Russell and Helena (French) Jordan. He was the local Eaton Rapids "House Doctor" with a passion for restoring Victorian homes. Bill was the current President of the Conservation Club and a former member of Three Fires Muzzle Loading Club.

Surviving are his wife, Estella J.; children: sons, David (Violet) Jordan, Bruce Jordan, daughters, Tobi Jordan & Julie (Dick) Scott all of Eaton Rapids, Cynthia Plowman of Lansing, Cathy (Jim) Backus of Charlotte, Ramey (Susan) Palacios of Texas, Jim (Tana) Miller of Vermontville, Cristy Palacios, Bonnie (David) Young both of Charlotte, Tim (Carie) Palacios of Ypsilanti; 28 grandchildren; 9 Great-grandchildren; 2 brothers, Jess Jordan, Steve (Shirley) Haskell of Eaton Rapids; 2 sisters, Doris (AJ) Adams of Eaton Rapids, Barb (Leo) Jones; and several nieces and nephews.

A remembrance dinner was held Wednesday, April 19, at the Eaton Rapids Conservation Club. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions made to the family would be greatly appreciated. Arrangements by the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids.

LSJ 4-27-00

Funeral

BOUMIEA, CHARLES I.

Eaton Rapids

Age 80, passed away April 26, 2000. Beloved husband of Elizabeth. Dear father of Larry (Freda), Charles (Carol) and William. Also survived by 3 grandchildren. Visitation Friday 4 p.m. until time of service 7 p.m., **John Molnar Funeral Home, 14032 Northline Road, Southgate.**

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DePEEL, DORIS MAY

Eaton Rapids

Age 76, died Wednesday, April 26, 2000 at a Lansing hospital. Born August 22, 1923 in Ingham County, the daughter of Bert and Bernice (Root) Parsons. Doris retired after 40 years of service with Acme Industries, formerly Rheem's, in Jackson. She was a member of the First Congregational Church in Eaton Rapids and was preceded in death by her husband, Wayne in 1991. Surviving are her son, Bill (Gwen) DePeel of Eaton Rapids; grandsons, Kevin and William DePeel both of Eaton Rapids; brother, Gordon Parsons of Irons, MI; sister-in-law, Mona Parsons of Eaton Rapids and Irene Parsons of Lansing; several nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be **Saturday, April 29 at 10 a.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids** with the Pastor Mike Fountain of the Island City Baptist Church, officiating. Interment will follow in at Hillcrest Memorial Park in Jackson, MI. Visitation will be Friday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. at the funeral home.

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WILSON, PAULA K.

**Eaton Rapids
Formerly of Holt**

Age 31; passed away on April 22, 2000. She was born on June 26, 1968 in Mason and graduated from Holt High School in 1986. Paula served 8 years in the Army Reserves and was currently employed at Michigan Automotive Compressors, Inc. in Parma. Surviving are her special friend, Sheila Slentz of Eaton Rapids; parents, Allan D. (Poppa) and Celia A. Wilson of Holt; grandfather, A.H. Wilson of Delta Mills; 4 brothers, Allan II (Ashlee) Wilson and Clifford Wilson of Lansing, Tyrone Wilson of Holt, and Andrew (Kelly) Wilson of East Lansing; best friend, Dan Evans of Lansing; 6 nephews, 1 niece, several aunts, uncles, cousins, and many friends. Paula enjoyed the outdoors by camping, fishing, and golfing. She enjoyed fixing computers and cars and going to drive-in movies. But she got her greatest joy by helping other people. Funeral services will be held **Wednesday, April 26 at 1 p.m. at the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids** with Rev. Jack Fugate officiating. The family will receive friends Tuesday, April 25, 7 p.m.-9 p.m. Those desiring may make contributions to any mental health facility or Toys for Tots in memory of Paula K. Wilson. LSJ 4-25-2000

DELONG, ADRIAN JAY

Eaton Rapids

Age 90, died April 13, 2000. He was born November 12, 1909, a son of Edward and Neoma (Dangerfield) Delong. Mr. Delong was a retired GM employee of 30 years and a life member of Dimondale F. & A.M. #449. He was an avid farmer, hunter, fisherman, and loved to chop wood. One of his ancestors came to America on the Mayflower. Surviving are five children, Peggy (Vern) Foess and Robert (Barbara Jean) Delong, both of Eaton Rapids, Janet (TerryMax) Hogle of Holt; 21 grandchildren; 26 great-grandchildren; 3 great-great-grandchildren; brother, Edwin Delong of Shephard; sister-in-law, Verna Woodbury of Vermontville. Services 11 a.m. Saturday at **Field & Leik Funeral Home, Dimondale**, with Pastor Ralph Tingley, D.D. officiating. Interment will be in Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens. Masonic services 7:45 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. The family will receive friends from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Friday. Memorial contributions may be made to Ingham Hospice or Ele's Place. **LSJ 4-14-00**

**HILDEGRADE FINK
(GEMALSKY, COOK)**

Hildegade Fink (Gemalsky, Cook), age 67, died April 7, 2000 in Vicksburg, MI. Mrs. Fink was born November 3, 1933, in Eaton Rapids. She was the daughter of Julius and Emma (Keehn) Gemalsky.

She is survived by a daughter, Connie May Cook, and 3 sons, Garry L., Barry L. and Lawry Gene Cook all of Cleveland, Ohio. Also surviving are 2 sisters, Ella Ewing of Holt and Gertrude Norris of Eaton Rapids and 1 brother, Leon Gemalsky also of Eaton Rapids. She was preceded in death by 4 brothers, Kurt, Irvin, Ronald and Gayheart (Pete) Gemalsky and 1 sister, Letha McKenzie.

Graveside services were held at Roselawn Cemetery in Eaton Rapids on April 11, 2000 with Rev. Mark Eckert presiding.

EARLIN H. NETTLETON

Earlin H. Nettleton of DeWitt, age 74, died April 15, 2000. He was born June 22, 1925 in Gladwin. Mr. Nettleton retired from General Motors after 30 years of service and was a Veteran of World War II, serving with the U.S. Navy.

Surviving are his wife, Marian Mae; 3 daughters, Judith (Lon) Curtis of Eaton Rapids, Pamela (Michael) Beach of DeWitt and Cindy Jo (Brian) Fry of St. Johns; 2 sons, Keith of Lansing and Steven of DeWitt; 7 grandchildren; 1 great-grandchild; 1 brother, George (Pat) Nettleton of Gladwin; several nieces, nephews, great-nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, April 19, 2 p.m., at the Gorsline-Runciman Co. DeWitt Chapel, 111 S. Franklin, DeWitt, with the Rev. Tad Jameson, Pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, officiating. Interment will follow in DeWitt Cemetery, DeWitt. The family will receive friends at the Chapel Tuesday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m.

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CHARLES E. 'JUNIOR' SPECKIN



Charles E. 'Junior' Speckin, age 45 lived in Tucson, AZ until he had a sudden illness and died April 10, 2000. Junior was born on February 19, 1954 in St. Johns, MI. He moved to Eaton Rapids and lived there until December 1989. He was employed at Grable & Sons for 17 years until 1989 when he left to take care of his parents in Tombstone, AZ.

He is survived by his wife, Jackie and two children, Tammy Earls of Springport and Linda Speckin of Tucson, AZ; four grandchildren, Kimberly, Robert, James and Jazmine. He is also survived by his mother, Norma Speckin; two brothers, Marvin and George Speckin; 2 sisters, Linda Proctor and Carol Rutledge all of Arizona. He was preceded in death by his father, Charles E. Speckin, Sr.

Junior will be greatly missed by family and friends.



ERNEST BREWER, JR.

Ernest Brewer, Jr., age 77 of Eaton Rapids, died Tuesday, April 11, 2000. He was born September 27, 1922 in Glasgow Junction, Kentucky, the son of Ernest W. and Lela (Butler) Brewer. Mr. Brewer was a Army Veteran of World War II and a member of the American Legion Harold Teeter Post #15 of Eaton Rapids. He retired from Diamond REO in Lansing and was a member of the New Hope Worship Center in Albion. He was preceded in death by 2 grandchildren, Valary Lee and Patrick Lee Brewer.

Surviving are his wife of 56 years, Jeta; 3 sons, Larry Joe (Mary) Brewer of Marengo, Indiana, Ernest Lee (Carolyn) Brewer of Eaton Rapids and Gary Lamaar (Kathy) Brewer of Albany, Texas; 11 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren; sister, Dorothy Irene Fletcher of Charlotte; 2 half-brothers, Ronald Brewer of Bedford, Indiana and Donald Brewer of Phoenix, Arizona and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held on Friday, April 14th from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids with the Rev. William Steere of the New Hope Worship Center in Albion officiating. Burial followed in the Rosehill Cemetery in Eaton Rapids with full military honors provided by the American Legion Post #15.



LILLIAN V. DARNELL

Lillian V. Darnell, age 77 of Eaton Rapids, died Tuesday, April 11, 2000 in Howell. Lillian was born June 11, 1922 in Lansing, the daughter of Oscar and Viola (Hoover) Bunker. She was a Special Education bus driver for Eaton Rapids Public Schools. Preceding her in death were her husband, Clarence F. in 1970, her sister, Estina Disbrow, and her stepmother, Clorah Bunker on April 10, 2000.

Lillian is survived by 3 daughters, Lois (David) Clark of Unica, Ila (Larry) Collins of St. Louis, Karen Roebuck of Adrian; 5 sons, Clarence (Carolyn) Darnell, Jr. of Fowlerville, Terry (Sue) Darnell of Elsie, Ray (Connie) Darnell and Ron (Carla) Darnell both of Lansing, Kevin Darnell of Eaton Rapids; 27 grandchildren; 3 brothers, Ruhl (Elaine) Bunker of Dansville, Daniel (Betty) Bunker of Williamston, Ivan Lee Bunker of Mason; 3 sisters, Florence (Earl) Lauck of Eaton Rapids, Darla (Wayne) Tody of Traverse City, Carol (George) Hertzfeld of Jackson and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held on Friday, April 14, 2000 at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids with Rev. Stephen Aikin, Pastor, of the Aurelius Baptist Church officiating. Interment followed at Greenwood Cemetery, Aurelius.

CLORAH L. BUNKER

Clorah L. Bunker, age 91 of Mason, died Monday, April 10, 2000 at her residence. Clorah was born October 12, 1908 in Brinton the daughter of Marion E. and Martha G. (Braucher) Brininstool. She was preceded in death by her first husband, Carl Flaughter; her second husband, Oscar A. Bunker; son, Elmer Flaughter and daughter, Estina Disbrow. Another daughter, Lillian Darnell, died April 11, 2000.

Surviving are 3 daughters, Florence (Earl) Lauck of Eaton Rapids, Darla (Wayne) Tody of Traverse City, Carol (George) Hertzfeld of Jackson; 3 sons, Daniel (Betty) Bunker of Williamston, Ruhl (Elaine) Bunker of Dansville, Ivan Lee Bunker of Mason; 37 grandchildren; 95 great-grandchildren; 57 great-great-grandchildren; sister, Ellen Raymer of Elsie and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Friday, April 14, 2000 at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids, with Rev. Stephen Aikin, Pastor of the Aurelius Baptist Church officiating. Interment followed at Greenwood Cemetery, Aurelius. Those desiring may make contributions to either the Aurelius Baptist Church or American Heart Association in memory of Clorah L. Bunker.

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RICHARD C. ACKLEY

Richard C. Ackley, age 49 of Lansing, died Tuesday, April 4, 2000 in Lansing. He was born July 15, 1950 in Lansing. He was an avid outdoorsman who loved to golf, hunt, fish, and play cards, and was a member of the Duck Lake Country Club. Richard was a manager of Eberhard's, co-owner of Lansing IGA and warehouse manager at Wolverton. He was preceded in death by his father, Carson Ackley; brother James C. Ackley; and niece Carol Lynn Cowles. Surviving are his wife of two years, Donna L.; daughter Mechelle L. Ackley of Lansing; son, John C. Ackley of Charlotte; one grandson, Joshua Thomas Ackley; mother Phyllis J. Ackley of Eaton Rapids; five sisters, Christine (Loren) Cowles of Springport, Cathy (Bud) Cowles and Carol (Steve) Clark of Eaton Rapids, Janice (Jim) Boice of Perry, Mary Ackley of Lansing; five brothers, Thomas (Vicki) Ackley, Timothy (Jackie) Ackley, Robert (Annette) Ackley, William (Anke) Ackley all of Eaton Rapids, Joseph (Pam) Ackley of Charlotte; sister-in-law, Sue Ackley Larson of Eaton Rapids; father & mother-in-law, Harvey and Gertrude Heppe of Orleans; sisters-in-law, LuAnn (Thomas) Phelps of Schoolcraft, Linda (David) Odette of Muskegon; brother-in-law, Donald (Karen) Heppe of Orleans. Also surviving are 37 nieces and nephews. Mass of the Resurrection was celebrated on Friday, April 7, 11:00 a.m. at St. Peter Church, 515 E. Knight St., Eaton Rapids with Father Bennett Constantine as Celebrant. Those desiring may make contributions to the American Cancer Society or Michigan Lung Association in memory of Richard C. Ackley.

KATHRYN I. CRAUN

Kathryn I. Craun, age 84 of Eaton Rapids, died April 7, 2000. She was born June 22, 1915 in Jackson, Michigan, the daughter of Arthur and Josephine (Jewell) Davison and she grew up on the family farm in Hamlin Township. On December 18, 1942, she married Martin Craun and together operated a dairy farm west of town. He preceded her in death in 1975. She was a secretary for A.M. Smith-Hansen Packing Co., the First Methodist Church, Robinson and Zentmyer Attorneys, and Nolan and Dallas Attorneys, retiring in 1980. A member of the Eaton Rapids Garden Club, she enjoyed her flowers, books and antiques.

Surviving are sons, David of Eaton Rapids and Dennis of Spring Lake; brothers, Robert Davison of Eaton Rapids and Carl Davison of Jackson; former daughter-in-law, Brenda Hughes of Columbus, OH; grandchildren, Brianna Veazie of Sanford, ME and James (Rebecca) Hathaway of Columbus, OH; several nieces, nephews and cousins. Preceding her in death were infant son, John; sister, Genevieve Southwick and brother, Donald Davison.

Funeral services were held on Monday, April 10th from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids, with interment in the Rosehill Cemetery. For those desiring, memorial contributions may be made to the Eaton Rapids Public Library.

BERNICE G. CHARLEFOUR

Bernice G. Charlefour, age 101 of Eaton Rapids, died Sunday, April 9, 2000 at a nursing home in Charlotte. She was born September 18, 1898 in Eaton Rapids Township, the daughter of Marcus and Eva (Cornish) Boody. Mrs. Charlefour was a retired clerk for the Vaughn's Clothing Store in Eaton Rapids, and was a former teacher who had graduated from Kalamazoo Normal. She was a member of the Griffith United Methodist Church in rural Eaton Rapids, a life member of the Rebekah Sunshine Lodge #142 in Eaton Rapids, a member since 1918, and was the past president of the Rebekah Assembly of Michigan serving in 1945. She was also one of the founding members of the Eaton Rapids Senior Citizens organization. Preceding her in death were her parents; step-mother, Bernice Nadel Boody; husband, Colburn Charlefour; and daughter, Phyllis Miller.

Surviving are her son, Richard (Kathleen) Charlefour of Eaton Rapids; son-in-law, Donald "Deke" Miller of Eaton Rapids; 4 grandchildren; 9 great-grandchildren and 5 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, April 12th at 1:00 p.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids with Rev. Jack Fugate and Rev. Lambert McClintic officiating. Interment will follow in the Rosehill Cemetery in Eaton Rapids. Visitation will be Tuesday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. with a Rebekah Memorial Service at 7 p.m. on Tuesday evening. For those desiring a memorial contribution may be made to the Griffith United Methodist Church Building Fund in memory of Bernice G. Charlefour.

DARNELL, LILLIAN V.

Eaton Rapids

Age 77, died Tuesday, April 11, 2000 in Howell. Lillian was born June 11, 1922 in Lansing, the daughter of Oscar and Viola (Hoover) Bunker. She was a Special Education bus driver for Eaton Rapids Public Schools. Preceding her in death were her husband, Clarence F. in 1970, her sister, Estina Disbrow, and her stepmother, Clorah Bunker on April 10, 2000. Lillian is survived by 3 daughters, Lois (David) Clark of Utica, Ila (Larry) Collins of St. Louis, Karen Roebuck of Adrian; 5 sons, Clarence (Carolyn) Darnell, Jr. of Fowlerville, Terry (Sue) Darnell of Elsie, Ray (Connie) Darnell and Ron (Carla) Darnell both of Lansing, Kevin Darnell of Eaton Rapids; 27 grandchildren; 3 brothers, Ruhl (Elaine) Bunker of Dansville, Daniel (Betty) Bunker of Williamston, Ivan Lee Bunker of Mason; 3 sisters, Florence (Earl) Lauck of Eaton Rapids, Darla (Wayne) Tody of Traverse City, Carol (George) Hertzfeld of Jackson and several nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be held at 1:00 pm on Friday, April 14, 2000 at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, 518 S. Main, Eaton Rapids with Rev. Stephen Aikin, Pastor, of the Aurelius Baptist Church officiating. Interment will follow at Greenwood Cemetery, Aurelius. The family will receive friends on Wednesday evening from 6-8 p.m. and Thursday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at the funeral home.

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BUNKER, CLORAH L.

Mason



Age 91, died Monday, April 10, 2000 at her residence. Clorah was born October 12, 1908 in Brinton the daughter of Marion E. and Martha G. (Braucher) Brininstool.

She was preceded in death by her 1st husband, Carl Flaucher; her 2nd husband, Oscar A. Bunker; son, Elmer Flaucher; and daughter, Estina Disbrow. Surviving are 4 daughters, Lillian Darnell (who died April 11, 2000), Florence (Earl) Lauck of Eaton Rapids, Darla (Wayne) Tody of Traverse City, Carol (George) Hertzfeld of Jackson; 3 sons, Daniel (Betty) Bunker of Williamston, Ruhl (Elaine) Bunker of Dansville, Ivan Lee Bunker of Mason; 37 grandchildren; 95 great grandchildren; 57 great great grandchildren; sister, Ellen Raymer of Elsie and several nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be held at 1:00 pm Friday, April 14, 2000 at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, 518 S. Main, Eaton Rapids with Rev. Stephen Aikin, Pastor of the Aurelius Baptist Church officiating. Interment will follow at Greenwood Cemetery, Aurelius. The family will receive friends on Wednesday from 6-8 am and Thursday, from 2-4 & 6-8 pm at the Funeral Home. Those desiring may make contributions to either the Aurelius Baptist Church or American Heart Association in memory of Clorah L. Bunker.

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H. CLARE SWAN

H. Clare Swan, age 83, died Sunday, March 26, 2000 in Charlotte. He was born Aug. 31, 1916 in Brookfield Twp., Eaton Co. MI, the son of Charles LaVern and Hazel Nellie (Sauerbrun). Clare retired from farming and also as a machinist at M.N.R. in Olivet. He had a love for flying and was a pilot for many years. Mr. Swan was preceded in death by his first wife, Doris (Clarke) Swan in 1973, his second wife Velma (Harshey) Swan in 1992 and his son, Howard Swan in 1999. Surviving are his daughter, Audrey (Paul) Kerekes of Charlotte; daughter-in-law, Joyce Swan of Mt. Pleasant; stepchildren, Allan (Marcia) Clarke of Eaton Rapids, Dean (Linda) Clarke of Bellevue, Donald (Joyce) Clarke, Gary (Ruth) Clarke, Marie (Carl) Florian all of Eaton Rapids, Maurice Clarke and Gloria of Florida, Maynard (Kathy) Clarke of Georgia; five grandchildren; six great grandchildren; 28 step grandchildren; 41 step great grandchildren; Leila (Carl) Heisler of Arizona; special friends Wayne and Diane Clone of Eaton Rapids; and several nieces and nephews. Funeral services were held on Wednesday, March 29, 2000 at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids, with Pastor Tom Evans of the First United Methodist Church officiating. Interment followed at Rosehill Cemetery, Eaton Rapids. Casket bearers were Jim Swan, Marvin Heisler, Carl Florian, Allan Clarke, Don Clarke and Gary Clarke. Those desiring may make contributions to the Eaton Rapids First United Methodist Church in memory of Clare Swan.

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CRAUN, KATHRYN I.

Eaton Rapids

Age 84, died Friday, April 7, 2000. Born June 22, 1915 in Jackson, MI, the daughter of Arthur and Josephine (Jewell) Davison; she grew up on the family farm in Hamlin Township. On December 18, 1942, she married Martin Craun and together operated a dairy farm west of town. He preceded her in death in 1975. She was a secretary for A.M. Smith-Hansen Packing Co., the First Methodist Church, Robinson and Zentmeyer Attorneys, and Nolan and Dallas Attorneys, retiring in 1980. A member of the Eaton Rapids Garden Club, she enjoyed her flowers, books and antiques. Surviving are sons, David of Eaton Rapids and Dennis of Spring Lake; brothers, Robert Davison of Eaton Rapids and Carl Davison of Jackson; former daughter-in-law, Brenda Hughes of Columbus, OH; grandchildren, Brianna Veazie of Sanford, ME., and James (Rebecca) Hathaway of Columbus, OH; several nieces, nephews, and cousins. Preceding her in death were infant son, John; sister, Genevieve Southwick; and brother, Donald Davison. Funeral services will be held on **Monday, April 10 at 11 a.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids** with interment in the Rosehill Cemetery. Visitation will be Sunday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. For those desiring, memorial contributions may be made to the Eaton Rapids Public Library.

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CHARLEFOUR, BERNICE G.

Eaton Rapids



Age 101, died Sunday, April 9, 2000. Born September 18, 1898, daughter of Marcus and Eva (Cornish) Boody. Mrs. Charlefour was a retired clerk for Vaughn's Clothing in

Eaton Rapids. A member of the Griffith United Methodist Church, life member of the Rebekah Sunshine Lodge #42, past president of the Rebekah Assembly of Michigan, and one of the founding members of the Eaton Rapids Senior Citizens. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Colburn Charlefour; and daughter, Phyllis Miller. Surviving are her son, Richard (Kathleen) Charlefour of Eaton Rapids; son-in-law, Donald "Deke" Miller of Eaton Rapids; 4 grandchildren; 9 great-grandchildren and 5 great-great-grandchildren. Funeral services will be held on **Wednesday, April 12, at 1 p.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids**. Visitation will be Monday evening 7-9 p.m. and Tuesday 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. with a Rebekah memorial service at 7 p.m. Tuesday. For those desiring a memorial contribution may be made to the Griffith United Methodist Church Building Fund in memory of Bernice G. Charlefour.

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March 21, 2000

GENEVIEVE FRANCES HALLIFAX

Genevieve Frances Hallifax, age 75 of Eaton Rapids, died Sunday, March 19, 2000. She was born October 22, 1924 in Slinger, Wisconsin, the daughter of Edward and Mabel (Graff) Kohl. Mrs. Hallifax was a graduate of Westbend High School (Wisconsin) class of 1943, she served as a WAVE in the U.S. Navy during World War II, and married Roger E. Hallifax on November 17, 1945. Mrs. Hallifax retired as an Accounting Executive for the State of Michigan serving 33 years. She and her husband were members of the Lansing Moose Lodge. Preceding her in death is her husband of 52 years, Roger in 1998.

Surviving are 5 daughters, Patricia (Donald) Buggia of DeWitt, Lois Hallifax of Lansing, Jane Hallifax Vedder of Portland, JoAnn (Lynn) Anderson of DeWitt and Julie "Casey" (Scott) Wooster of Chelsea; 5 grandchildren, Tammy and Jeffrey Anderson, Paige Vedder, Breanna and Carley Wooster; one sister, Eleanore Kustka of Green Bay, 4 brothers, Allen Kohl of Winterhaven, FL, Edward Kohl of Milwaukee, Tom Collins of Barton, FL, and Michael Collins of Westerville, OH; and many nieces and nephews.

Mass of the Christian Burial will be Wednesday, March 22nd at 11 a.m. from St. Peter Catholic Church in Eaton Rapids with Rev. Fr. Ben Constantine as celebrant. Visitation will be Tuesday evening from 6-9 p.m. with a Prayer Service at 6 p.m. at the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids. For those desiring, a memorial contribution may be made to the Alzheimer's Association in memory of Genevieve F. Hallifax.



EDWARD JECKS

Edward Jecks, age 67, died Sunday, March 19, 2000, at his home. Ed was born July 31, 1932 in Morristown, TN, to parents Leon A. and Mary (Fulton) Jecks. He has been a builder in the Eaton Rapids area for over 29 years, during which he has built over 400 homes. Ed semi-retired in 1994 and remained active in the family home building business. He volunteered his time with handicapped children in the Eaton Special Riding Volunteers Association of Charlotte for many years. Mr. Jecks was preceded in death by his daughter, Linda Strang in 1989 and his brother, Alfred Jecks in 1991.

He is survived by his wife of 47 years, Lorena; 6 children, Steven Jecks, James (Trina) Jecks both of Eaton Rapids, Daniel (Wendy) Jecks of Wixom, Carolyn (Steve) Suckow of L.A., Sandra (Edgar) Martinez of Washington, D.C., and Joseph Jecks of Gross Pointe; 8 grandchildren, Jason Jecks, Anthony & Matthew Strang, Travis & Jacob Jecks, Ryan Weidner, Tony Jecks, and Ariana Martinez; 2 great-grandchildren, Adrienne Strang & Chandler Strang; sister, Dorothy Baker of Eaton Rapids.

Funeral Services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 22, 2000, at the Wesleyan Church, 6044 S. Clinton Tr., Eaton Rapids, with Rev. Stephen Klink officiating. The family will visit with friends on Tuesday from 1-3 and 5-8 p.m. at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. Interment will be at Rosehill Cemetery with casket bearers Don Anderson, Mark E. Risner, Roger Love, Dennis Baker, Dave Baker and Ron Wittman. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Eaton Special Riding Volunteers Association



BETTY JEAN STRANG

Betty Jean Strang, age 71, died Tuesday, March 14, 2000 in Eaton Rapids. Betty was born April 12, 1928 in Ringsted, Iowa the daughter of Sebo and Sylvia (McLaughlin) Behrends. Mrs. Strang retired from food service at Ingham Medical Hospital in 1983. She was preceded in death by her husband, Richard, in 1988 and her daughter, Marla Silvas, in 1991.

Surviving are her children, Kean Harr of California, Roxanna (Ed) Sluiter of Grand Rapids, Harvey Harr, Robert (JoAnne) Harr both of Iowa, Sharon Harr of Marquette, Jeri Olson of Charlotte; step children, Sheila (Mike) Glavin, Mike (Diane) Strang, Peggy (Craig) Cartwright, Jeff Strang all of Eaton Rapids; 24 grandchildren, 9 great-grandchildren; 2 brothers, Oscar and Robert; 6 sisters, Helen, Esther, Edna, Myrna, Daisy and Melvina; dear companion, Jerry Lindemann (who brought her much joy); and other close members of her extended family, Connie (Byron) Lyles and Rudy.

Funeral services were held on Friday, March 17, 2000, at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids.
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REV. DR. ALAN S. MALCOLM, SR.

Rev. Dr. Alan Malcolm passed away unexpectedly on March 3, 2000 at the Maine Medical Center in Portland, Maine. Rev. Malcolm served the First Congregational Church of Eaton Rapids as its pastor for 18 months, recently returning to his beloved Maine. He was serving as the senior pastor of the Yarmouth Church of the Nazarene at the time of his death.

He was the beloved husband of Rev. Lillian Malcolm and devoted father to five children, Alexander, Andrew, Alan Jr. (AJ), Kylan and Kaitlan of Yarmouth, Maine. Pastor to the many that he served, Alan is also survived by his father Florian, brothers Florian Jr. and Thomas all of Millinocket, Maine. Alan will be missed for his love of Southern gospel Music, his cheers at Haley Field, and to all those he met and called friend. Alan's love of sports and trains will be carried on by his children that he so dearly loved. Alan will always be known for his genuine love of God and those he touched in ministry. His life was a testimony of a Christian man and shall be a beacon to all those who remember him.

A Celebration of Life Service was held at the Millinocket Church of the Nazarene on March 6, 2000. Cards can be sent to Lillian Malcolm, P.O. Box 245, Yarmouth, ME 04096.

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BEVERLY J. LONG

Beverly J. Long, age 77 of Eaton Rapids, died Friday, March 24, 2000. She was born February 13, 1923 in Allegan, MI, the daughter of Ray and Coreen (Keil) Sadler. Mrs. Long and her husband had owned and operated Farmer's Warehouse in Eaton Rapids. A very loving mother, grandmother and great-grandmother who enjoyed auctions and yard sales. She was preceded in death by her husband Max in 1987.

Surviving are her 2 sons, James (Leslie) Long and David (Sharon) Long all of Eaton Rapids; 6 grandchildren, Shelli Long of Eaton Rapids, Philip Long of Lansing, David M. Long II of Lansing, Mary (Bryan) Crandell of Perry, Jason Shipman of Lansing and Justin Shipman of Lansing; 5 great-grandchildren, Margeaux, Marci, Morgan, Kaitlyn and Zachary.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, March 29th at 11 a.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids. Visitation will be Tuesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at the funeral home. For those desiring a memorial contribution may be made to the Eaton Community Hospice in memory of Beverly J. Long.

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HALLIFAX, GENEVIEVE

Eaton Rapids

Age 75 of Eaton Rapids died Sunday, March 19, 2000. Born October 22, 1924 in Slinger, WI., the daughter of Edward and Mabel (Graff) Kohl. Mrs. Hallifax was a graduate of Westbend High School in Wisconsin, the class of 1943. She served in the U.S. Navy as a WAVE during World War II, and married Roger E. Hallifax on November 17, 1945. Mrs. Hallifax retired as an Accounting Executive for the State of Michigan, serving 33 years. She and her husband were members of the Lansing Moose Lodge #288. Preceding her in death was her husband of 52 years, Roger in 1998. Surviving are 5 daughters, Patricia (Donald) Buggia of DeWitt, Lois Hallifax of Lansing, Jane Hallifax Vedder of Portland, JoAnn (Lynn) Anderson of DeWitt and Julie "Casey" (Scott) Wooster of Chelsea; 5 grandchildren, Tammy and Jeffrey Anderson, Paige Vedder, Breanna and Carley Wooster; sister, Eleanore Kustka of Green Bay; 4 brothers, Allen Kohl of Winterhaven, FL., Edward Kohl of Milwaukee, Tom Collins of Barton, FL., and Michael Collins of Westerville, OH; several nieces and nephews. Mass of the Christian Burial will be **Wednesday, March 22 at 11 a.m. from St. Peter Church in Eaton Rapids.** Visitation will be Tuesday from 6-9 p.m. with a prayer service at 6 p.m. at the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids. For those desiring, a memorial contribution may be made to the Alzheimer's Association in memory of Genevieve F. Hallifax.

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JECKS, EDWARD

Eaton Rapids



Age 67, died Sunday, March 19, 2000 at his home. Ed was born July 31, 1932 in Morristown, Tenn. to parents Leon A. and Mary (Fulton) Jecks. He has been a builder in

the Eaton Rapids area for over 29 years, during which he has built over 400 homes. Ed semi-retired in 1994 and remained active in the family home building business. He volunteered his time with handicapped children in the Eaton Special Riding Volunteers Association of Charlotte for many years. Mr. Jecks was preceded in death by his daughter, Linda Strang in 1989 and his brother, Alfred Jecks in 1991. He is survived by his wife of 47 years, Lorena; 6 children, Steven Jecks, James (Trina) Jecks both of Eaton Rapids, Daniel (Wendy) Jecks of Wixom, Carolyn (Steve) Suckow of L.A., Sandra (Edgar) Martinez of Washington D.C., and Joseph Jecks of Gross Pointe; 8 grandchildren, Jason Jecks, Anthony & Matthew Strang, Travis & Jacob Jecks, Ryan Weidner, Tony Jecks, and Ariana Martinez; 2 great-grandchildren, Adrienne Strang & Chandler Strang; sister, Dorothy Baker of Eaton Rapids. Funeral Services will be held **2:00 p.m. Wednesday, March 22, 2000 at the Wesleyan Church, 6044 S. Clinton Tr., Eaton Rapids,** with Rev. Stephen Klink of the Eaton Rapids Community Christian Church officiating. The family will visit with friends on Tuesday from 1-3 and 6-8 p.m. at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, 518 S Main, Eaton Rapids. Interment will be at Rosehill Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Eaton Special Riding Volunteers Association or Eaton Community Hospice in memory of V. Edward Jecks. **LSJ 3-21-2000**

McGUIRT, LINDSEY NICOLE

Eaton Rapids

Infant daughter of Michael and Dawn McGuirt died Monday, March 27, 2000. Surviving are parents; 2 brothers, Shaye and Jordan; 2 sisters, Morgan and Christy Lee; grandparents, William and Barbara McGuirt of Eaton Rapids and Patrick and Judith Wood of Lansing. Mass of the Christian Burial will be **Thursday at 11 a.m. from St. Peter Catholic Church in Eaton Rapids.** Family will receive friends Thursday from 9-10:30 a.m. at the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids.

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SPURRELL, ARNOLD H.**Eaton Rapids
Formerly of Grand Ledge
and Lansing, MI**

Age 79, was called home by the Lord to be with his son, David on Saturday, March 11, 2000. Surviving are his loving wife and life partner of 57 years, Mary; his sons, Richard (Patti), and James (Cindy); daughters, Kathryn (David) LeFurge, Pamela (Steve) Patrick and Julie (Jeff) Lienhart. He was blessed with 12 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren, whom he loved dearly. Family left will dearly miss his love. Arnold lived his life devoted to family, God and country. He was active in the St. Vincent DePaul Society for many years. He served his country in World War II, in the European Theatre where he earned a Bronze Star and retired from the Oldsmobile Tool Division in Lansing in 1981. The Skinner Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. Family will receive friends from 6-8 p.m. on Tuesday, March 14th with a Prayer service at 6 p.m. Funeral Mass will be held at **St. Peter Catholic Church in Eaton Rapids at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, March 15th.** Graveside services to follow the funeral mass at Deepdale Cemetery. Envelopes for memorial contributions to St. Judes or the American Cancer Society will be available at the funeral home. *LSJ 3-14-2000*

CHALKER, IRMA**Eaton Rapids**

Age 74, died March 14, 2000. Born May 17, 1925 in Lansing, Mrs. Chalker retired from Oldsmobile in 1980. Surviving are her husband, Stuart; 3 daughters, Sharon Chalker of Bangor, Mary Lou Lohr of San Diego, CA, and Kathy (Rob) Dickerson of Rogers, AR; 6 grandchildren; 1 great-grandchild. Memorial services will be held at a later date. There will be no visitation. The family is being served by the Gorsline-Runciman Co. Lansing Chapel. *LSJ 3-15-00*

WEBSTER, BOBBY**Eaton Rapids**

Born September 27, 1933 in Sparta, TN; passed away March 16, 2000 at home after a lengthy illness. He is survived by his wife, Dorothy (Mason); sons, Tony (Rita) and Dennis (Robinn) Webster; daughters, Joy and Carol Webster and Vickie (Ed) Bloch; 10 grandchildren; 2 great-grandchildren; and 1 sister, Dean Carr of Tennessee. He was preceded in death by his mother, father and 2 brothers. Bobby worked for the Fisher Body of Lansing for 34 years. He has lived in the Springport and Eaton Rapids area for 45 years. Funeral services will be held at the **Robertson Funeral Homes, Springport Chapel on Monday, March 20, 1 p.m.** with Pastor Lester DeGroot officiating. Interment at Springport Cemetery. The family will receive friends on Sunday from 2-6 p.m. at the funeral home. For those who wish, memorial contributions may be made to the Eaton Community Hospice. *LSJ 3-18-2000*

Flashes*LONG, BEVERLY J.****Eaton Rapids**

Age 77, died Friday, March 24, 2000. Born February 13, 1923 in Allegan, MI, the daughter of Ray and Coreen (Keil) Sadler. Mrs. Long and her husband had owned and operated Farmer's Warehouse in Eaton Rapids. A very loving mother, grandmother and great-grandmother who enjoyed auctions and yard sales. She was preceded in death by her husband, Max, in 1987. Surviving are her 2 sons, James (Leslie) Long and David (Sharon) Long all of Eaton Rapids; 6 grandchildren, Shelli Long of Eaton Rapids, Philip Long of Lansing, David M. Long II of Lansing, Mary (Bryan) Crandell of Perry, Jason Shipman of Lansing and Justin Shipman of Lansing; 5 great-grandchildren, Margeaux, Marci, Morgan, Kaitlyn and Zachary. Funeral services will be **Wednesday, March 29, at 11 a.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids.** Visitation will be Tuesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at the funeral home. For those desiring a memorial contribution may be made to the Eaton Community Hospice in memory Beverly J. Long. *LSJ 3-25-00*

HALL, IRENE S.**Eaton Rapids**

Age 83, died March 24, 2000. Mrs. Hall was born May 28, 1916 in Reed City. She was preceded in death by her husband, Homer, and her son, Richard. Surviving are her daughter, Gloria (Thomas) Gorman of Vermontville, 9 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren, 2 great-great-grandchildren, two sisters, Viola Hamilton of Lansing and Doris Dukes of Sidney. Services **11 a.m. Monday at Field & Leik Funeral Home, Dimondale,** with Rev. John A. Toth, officiating. Interment will be in Dimondale Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home. *LSJ 3-25-00*

Flashes*SWAN, CLARE H.****Eaton Rapids**

Age 83, died March 26, 2000. Mr. Swan was born August 31, 1916 in Brookfield Township and was a retired farmer and machinist. He attended the First United Methodist Church of Eaton Rapids. Mr. Swan was preceded in death by his wives, Doris Clarke Swan (1973) and Velma Harshey Clarke Swan (1992), and his son, Howard Swan (1999). Surviving are his daughter, Audrey (Paul) Kerekes of Charlotte; daughter-in-law, Joyce Swan of Mt. Pleasant; 5 grandchildren; 6 great-grandchildren; his stepchildren, Allan (Marcia) Clarke of Eaton Rapids, Dean (Linda) Clarke of Bellevue, Donald (Joyce) Clarke, Gary (Ruth) Clarke, Marie (Carl) Florian, all of Eaton Rapids, Maurice Clarke and Gloria of Florida, Maynard (Kathy) Clarke of Georgia; 28 step-grandchildren; 41 step-great-grandchildren; his sister, Lelia (Carl) Hiser of Arizona; several nieces and nephews and special friends, Wayne and Dianne Clone of Eaton Rapids. Services **11 a.m. Wednesday at Shelly-Odell Funeral Home** with interment in Rosehill Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 7-9 p.m. Monday and 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home. Memorial donations may be made to The First United Methodist Church of Eaton Rapids. *LSJ 3-27-2000*

Obituaries

Flashes 3-14-2000

GRACE WINSLOW

Grace Winslow, age 97 of Eaton Rapids, died Thursday, March 9, 2000 in Flint. Grace was born November 16, 1902 in Leslie, MI, the daughter of Artie and Blanch (Wilbur) Wood. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Eaton Rapids, a life member of the VFW Ladies Auxiliary #1283. Mrs. Winslow was also a life member of the OES #241 in Eaton Rapids. She retired from the Eaton Rapids School District in 1968 after 35 years of service and was a member of the Michigan and Eaton County Retired School Teachers Association. She was preceded in death by her husband, Gleeland; stepson, Gleeland, Jr.; brothers, Harvey, Clayton, Carl and Rex Wood.

Surviving are her step grandson, Kirk Winslow of New York; sister, Floy Tharp of Linden; several nieces and nephews including Ted (Vicki) Tharp of Linden, Jack Tharp of Indiana; grand nieces, Trisha and Jessica Tharp; great-grand nephew, Tod Tharp.

Funeral services were held on Monday, March 13, 2000 at the First United Methodist Church, Eaton Rapids with Pastor Tom Evans officiating. Interment will follow at Felt Plains Cemetery, Leslie. An OES Memorial Service was held Sunday at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. Those desiring may make contributions to the First United Methodist Church Building Fund or the Eaton Rapids Elementary Education Library Fund in memory of Grace Winslow.

SHIRLEY L. (JONES) HASKELL

Shirley L. (Jones) Haskell, of Lansing, formerly of Eaton Rapids, died Thursday, March 9, 2000 at the age of 60. Shirley was born May 29, 1939 in Lansing, the daughter of Oscar Bert and Eva Elizabeth Jones.

Surviving are 3 children, Ireta M. (Eric) Peterson of Mulliken, Thomas (Jeanie) Henderson of Eaton Rapids, Lura E. (Gregory) Jarosz of Lincoln Park; 10 grandchildren, Heather M., Amber R., Gustav R. and James Q. Peterson, Benjamin T., Jack L., and Naomi "Jacque" Henderson, Robert J., Melissa A. and Joshua A. Jarosz; father Oscar Bert Jones of Traverse City; 2 brothers, Rob (Kathy) Rouser of Eaton Rapids, Dale (Barbara) Jones of Kingsley; 2 sisters, Paulette (Ron) Crosby of Eaton Rapids, Ellen "Vickie" (George) Cole-Rouser of Potterville and several nieces, nephews and cousins. She also leaves behind many doctors, nurses, and co-workers at Ingham Regional Medical Center whom she loved dearly, and patients that she cherished. Shirley's passion was riding in the wind with her friends in the Blue Angels Motor Cycle Club in Detroit. She'll never be forgotten by her many friends and family from across the country.

A memorial service will be held on Wednesday, March 15, 2000, at 4:00 p.m., at the Life Christian Church, 2560 Eaton Rapids Road, M-99, with Rev. David Stephens officiating. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service. Those desiring may make contributions to the charity of one's choice in memory of Shirley Haskell. Arrangements were made by the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids.

WILLARD G. TREADWELL

Willard G. Treadwell, age 81 of Eaton Rapids, died Friday, March 10, 2000. He was born September 27, 1918 in DeWitt, the son of Fred and Olive (Baker) Treadwell. Mr. Treadwell was an Army Veteran of World War II and a Life Member of the Adams Rockey V.F.W. Post #6056 of Springport. Mr. Treadwell was a retired Farmer and a retired employee of Diamond REC in Lansing. A member of the Great Lakes Haflinger Association and the Leslie Tractor Club. He enjoyed his retirement by restoring tractors and operating a Harness Shop. Preceding him in death are his parents and sister, Veva Webster.

Surviving are his wife of 59 years, Genevieve; son David (Yvonne) Treadwell of Leslie; daughter, Constance (Samuel) Graham of Eaton Rapids; 6 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren; sister, Marguerite Johnson of Austin, TX; and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be Tuesday, March 14th at 11 a.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids. For those desiring, a memorial contribution may be made to either the Hospice House of Mid-Michigan or the Adams Rockey V.F.W. Post 6056 of Springport.

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MARJORIE E. CONVERSE

Marjorie E. Converse, age 78, of Charlotte and formerly from Eaton Rapids, died Wednesday, March 1, 2000 at a Lansing hospital. She was born April 25, 1921 in Lansing the daughter of George and Ruth (Moore) Hunter. Mrs. Converse was a Secretary for the Eaton Rapids High School, a Clerical Assistant at Provincial Hospital in Lansing and worked in the Floral Dept. at Schmidt's Groceries in Lansing. She loved to rollerskate as a teenager at the old roller skating rink in Eaton Rapids. She also loved baking and her flowers. She was preceded in death by her son David in 1994 and a sister, Maxine Nelson.

Surviving are her husband of 60 years, Judd; 2 sons, Justin (Jan) Converse Jr. of New Mexico and Donald (Carole) Converse of Leslie; 5 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Saturday, March 4, at the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids. Interment followed in Glendale Cemetery, Okemos. Pallbearers were grandsons.

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WINSLOW, GRACE

Eaton Rapids

Age 97, died Thursday, March 9, 2000 in Flint. Grace was born November 16, 1902 in Leslie, MI., the daughter of Artie and Blanch (Wilbur) Wood. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Eaton Rapids, a life member of the VFW Ladies Aux. #1283. Mrs. Winslow was also a life member of the OES #241 in Eaton Rapids. She retired from the Eaton Rapids School District in 1968 after 35 years of service and was a member of the Michigan and Eaton Co. Retired School Teachers Association. She was preceded in death by her husband, Gleeland; stepson, Gleeland, Jr.; brothers, Harvey, Clayton, Carl, and Rex Wood. Surviving are her step grandson, Kirk Winslow of New York; sister, Floy Tharp of Linden; several nieces and nephews including Ted (Vicki) Tharp of Linden, Jack Tharp of Indiana; grand nieces, Trisha and Jessica Tharp; great grand nephew, Tod Tharp. Funeral services will be held on Monday, March 13, 2000, 1:00 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, 600 S. Main, Eaton Rapids with Pastor Tom Evans officiating. Interment will follow at Felt Plains Cemetery, Leslie. The family will receive friends on Sunday from 2-5 p.m. with an OES Memorial Service at 4:00 p.m. at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, 518 S. Main, Eaton Rapids. Those desiring may make contributions to the First United Methodist Church Building Fund or the Eaton Rapids Elementary Education Library Fund in memory of Grace Winslow. L.S.J. 3-11-2000

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TREADWELL, WILLARD G.

Eaton Rapids

Age 81, died Friday, March 10, 2000. Born September 27, 1918 in DeWitt, the son of Fred and Olive (Baker) Treadwell. Mr. Treadwell was an Army Veteran of World War II, and a life member of the Adams Rockey V.F.W. Post #6056 of Springport. Mr. Treadwell was a retired farmer and a retired employee of Diamond REO in Lansing. A member of the Great Lakes Haflinger Association and the Leslie Tractor Club. He enjoyed his retirement by restoring tractors and operating a harness shop. Preceding him in death are his parents; and sister, Veva Webster. Surviving are his wife of 59 years, Genevieve; son, David (Yvonne) Treadwell of Leslie; daughter, Constance (Samuel) Graham of Eaton Rapids; 6 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren; sister, Marquerite Johnson of Austin, TX; and many nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be Tuesday, March 14 at 11 a.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids. Visitation will be Monday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. at the funeral home. For those desiring a memorial contribution may be made to either the Hospice House of Mid Michigan or the Adams Rockey V.F.W. Post #6056 of Springport. L.S.J. 3-12-2000

* Flasher

HASKELL, SHIRLEY L. (JONES)

**Lansing
Formerly of Eaton Rapids**



Age 60, died Thursday, March 9, 2000 in Lansing. Shirley was born May 29, 1939 in Lansing, the daughter of Oscar Bert and Eva Elizabeth Jones. Surviving are 3 children,

Ireta M. (Eric) Peterson of Mulliken, Thomas (Jeanie) Henderson of Eaton Rapids, Lura E. (Gregory) Jarosz of Lincoln Park; 10 grandchildren, Heather M., Amber R., Gustav R. and James Q. Peterson, Benjamin T., Jack L., and Naomi "Jacque" Henderson, Robert J., Melissa A. and Joshua A. Jarosz; father, Oscar Bert Jones of Traverse city; 2 brothers, Rob (Kathy) Rouser of Eaton Rapids, Dale (Barbara) Jones of Kingsley; 2 sisters, Paulette (Ron) Crosby of Eaton Rapids, Ellen "Vickie" (George) Cole-Rouser of Potterville and several nieces, nephews and cousins. She also leaves behind many doctors, nurses, and co-workers at Ingham Regional Medical Center whom she loved dearly, and patients that she cherished. Shirley's passion was riding in the wind with her friends in the Blue Angel's Motor Cycle Club in Detroit. She'll never be forgotten by her many friends and family from across the country. A memorial service will be held on Wednesday, March 15, 2000 at 4 p.m. at the Life Christian Church, 2560 Eaton Rapids Road, M-99, with Rev. David Stephens officiating. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service. Those desiring may make contributions to the charity of one's choice in memory of Shirley Haskell. Arrangements by the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids.

L.S.J. 3-12-2000

DOLORES CORBIN

Dolores Corbin, age 98, died Thursday, March 2, 2000 in Charlotte. Dolores was born August 19, 1901 in Wheeler, MI the daughter of William and Myrtle (Welch) Rittenour. She had been a cook for Baldy's Restaurant in Eaton Rapids for many years. Mrs. Corbin was preceded in death by her son, Dallis F. Schultz in 1987 and daughter, Dorothy Elston in 1994.

Surviving are her daughter Donna (Clyde) Oberlin of Eaton Rapids; 11 grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren; and 8 great-great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were held on Saturday, March 4, 2000 at Rosehill Cemetery with Rev. Winford Collins officiating. Arrangements were made by the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids.

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Obituaries

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WESLEY V. HORN

Wesley V. Horn, age 90, died February 27, 2000. Mr. Horn was born in rural Pillager, Minnesota on July 16, 1909 to George Wesley and Flarra Belle Horn. He was a resident of the Lansing area for the past 60 years having lived at Park Lake, Holt and most recently Eaton Rapids. He was a member of the First Assembly of God Church and had been employed by Lorenz Bros. Buick and Phillip (Capitol) Dodge of Lansing as a body mechanic prior to his retirement in 1975.

Surviving are his son, George W. of DeWitt; 2 daughters, Beverly (Lew) Wilson of Eaton Rapids, and Gloria (Kenneth) Feher of Haslett; brother Daniel of Baxter, Minnesota; 6 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren. Mr. Horn was preceded in death by his wife Ardeth, grandchild Susan Horn, 2 sisters and 10 brothers.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at the Gorsline-Runciman Lansing Chapel. Interment was in Gunnisonville Cemetery, DeWitt Twp. Those wishing may contribute to the Eaton Rapids Medical Center or the Alzheimer Association.

ROBERT BISHOP HOUSTON

Robert Bishop Houston, age 88, of Naples, FL, died Monday, February 21, 2000. He was a lifelong resident of Eaton Rapids before retiring to Bonita Springs, FL. Bob worked for Miller's Ice Cream Factory for over 30 years.

He is survived by a son, James (Debbie) Houston of Cripple Creek, CO; a daughter, Ann (David) Hartley of Bonita Springs; eight grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife of 62 years, Roberta; a son, Stephen; and a brother, James.

Private graveside services were held at the Bonita Springs Cemetery on Friday, February 25th. For those desiring, a contribution to the Shriners Hospital for Children, 12502 North Pine Drive, Tampa, FL 33612 in memory of Robert.

DOUGLAS H. FERGUSON

Douglas H. Ferguson, age 81, of Eaton Rapids died Sunday, March 5, 2000 at the Sparrow Street Lawrence/Dimondale Center. He was born August 18, 1918 in Eaton Rapids the son of Robert and Gertrude (Schauble) Ferguson. Doug was an Eaton Rapids High School graduate, class of 1937, and played on the Basketball team that won the State Title 36-37. He served as a Staff Sergeant in the U.S. Army Air Corp. during World War II. He was a local businessman in Eaton Rapids for 20 years, owning and operating Ferguson's Cleaners, retiring in 1984. He then worked for Adams Tool & Engineering Company in Lansing for 15 years. Doug was a Life Member of the F.&A.M. Lodge #63 in Eaton Rapids and was a member of the Michigan United Conservation Clubs. Doug was a very good athlete who coached little league baseball and played baseball also. He won several 1st place trophies at the local golf course, with partner Whitey Palk, and enjoyed his hunting and fishing.

Surviving are his wife of 57 years, Maxine (Norris); son, Stephen Douglas Ferguson of Grayling; daughter, Susan (Thomas) Landberg of LaFayette, IN; 4 grandchildren, Mike and Sarah Fouts and Natascha and Lisha Ferguson; brother, Robert (Norma) Ferguson of Marshall; sister, Roberta Murphy of Lansing and several Nieces and nephews; extended families, Jim & Jan Squires, Dondi & Boys, Hovey Family, Robbie and Brian Hovey.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, March 8th at 11 a.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids with the Rev. Tom Evans of the First United Methodist Church officiating. Visitation will be Tuesday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. with a Masonic Memorial Service being conducted at 7 p.m. by Brother Howard Haven. For those desiring a memorial contribution may be made to the Masonic Temple or a charity of choice in memory of Douglas H.

FERGUSON, DOUGLAS H.

Eaton Rapids

Age 81, died Sunday, March 5, 2000. Born August 18, 1918 in Eaton Rapids, the son of Robert and Gertrude (Schauble) Ferguson. Doug was an Eaton Rapids High School graduate class of 1937, a Veteran of World War II and a retired owner/operator of Ferguson's Cleaners in Eaton Rapids and spent 15 years with Adams Tool and Engineering in Lansing. He was a life member of the F. & A.M. Lodge #63 in Eaton Rapids and a member of the Michigan United Conservation Clubs. Doug was an excellent athlete who loved baseball, golfing and bowling and enjoyed his hunting and fishing. Surviving are his wife of 57 years, Maxine (Norris); son, Stephen Douglas Ferguson of Grayling; daughter, Susan (Thomas) Landberg of Lafayette, IN; 4 grandchildren, Mike and Sarah Fouts and Natascha and Lisha Ferguson; brother, Robert (Norma) Ferguson of Marshall; sister, Roberta Murphy of Lansing; several nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be held on **Wednesday, March 8 at 11 a.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids.** Visitation will be Tuesday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. with a Masonic memorial service at 7 p.m. at the funeral home. For those desiring, a memorial contribution may be made to the Masonic Temple Association or a charity of choice in memory of Douglas H. Ferguson. *LSJ*

3-7-2000

Obituaries

Flashes 2-22-2000

DONNA J. COOPER

Donna J. Cooper, age 62, died at her home February 19, 2000. She was born September 28, 1937 in Jackson County, Michigan, the daughter of Gaylord and Arda May (Cowles) Baum. She lived in the Springport area for most of her life. She worked at Baums Dairy for numerous years and later at L&J Machine & Tool. She was a member of the Marshall Moose Lodge and bowled for their team. She was preceded in death by her husband, Jerry F. Cooper, in November 1999, a brother, Forrest and parents.

Surviving are 2 sons, Floyd (Sharon Kay) Cooper of Albion and Jeff (Paula) Cooper of Springport; 3 daughters, Cheryl Reitz of Jackson, Peggy Sue (Tim) Brockwell of Horton and Julie (Lanny) Clawson of Albion; 10 grandchildren, Kevin Brasseur, Steven Brasseur, Craig Brasseur, Charles and Stacy Cooper, Jenny Cooper, Amy and Alicia Clawson, Travis and Joey Cooper; 3 sisters, Loretta Lincoln of Springport, Nellie (George) Hindes of New Orleans, Louisiana, Carol (Dick) Tymkew of Sturgis; 2 brothers, Floyd (Janice) Baum of Springport and Garold (Bev) Baum of Rives Jct.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, February 23rd, at the Albion Chapel of Tidd-Williams Funeral Chapels with Rev. Robert Doner officiating. Interment will be at Fairview Cemetery in Parma, Michigan. Visitation will be Tuesday, February 22, 2 - 4 p.m. and 7 - 9 p.m.

DONNA RAE POPE

Donna Rae Pope, age 55, of St. Johns, went to her Lord February 19, 2000 after a long and courageous battle with Lymphoma at Ingham Medical Center. She was born June 29, 1944 to Donald & Marie (Eisler) Alvord. She attended Elsie Schools and graduated from Elsie High in 1962. For the past 14 years she was employed by Squires Equipment, Eaton Rapids, in the School Bus Division. She was preceded in death by daughter Mary Anne Pope and mother Marie Alvord.

Donna is survived by her husband Raymond G. Pope, Jr. whom she married October 3, 1964 in St. Johns; daughter, Theresa (Phillip) Benson of Augusta N.J.; son, David (Heather) Pope of DeWitt; 3 of her greatest loves, grandchildren Logan Phillip Benson, Blake Isabelle Benson and Jacob David Pope; father, Donald Alvord of Houghton Lake; brother, Gary (Rita) Alvord of Ovid, sister, Monica Stechschulte of Dayton, Ohio; father-in-law & mother-in-law, who loved her like their own, Raymond C. & Irene Pope of St. Johns.

Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, February 22, 2000, 10:30 a.m., at St. Joseph Catholic Church with Rev. Fr. Kenneth McDonald and Deacon Robert McPhilamy officiating. Burial will follow at Mt. Rest Cemetery. A Rosary service was prayed Monday evening at the Osgood Funeral Home, St. Johns.

The family would like to take this time to thank the entire staff of five-north at Ingham Medical. To Ray, John, Judy, Bev, Petra, Jill, Marianne and to everyone who we left out and to Dr. Layhe and Dr. Pat. You people are supreme care givers and we wish you all a big Thank You for all the love, care and devotion you gave to Donna. You made her final days as tolerable as possible. She loved you all. Grandma: We will always love you. You are now our Special Angel in Heaven. Logie Bear, Blakie Belle and Jakey.

CARL KYSER

Carl Kyser passed away at the age of 67 on Thursday, February 17, 2000. He was at his home that he loved so dearly, following a valiant year long struggle with lung cancer and biliary cancer. He was born June 21, 1932, the son of Guy and Magnolia (Lohness) Kyser in Hillsdale, Michigan. Carl was a Korean War veteran serving in the United States Army. He retired from Eaton Technologies in 1990 but continued to dedicate himself to volunteer work with the Eaton Community Hospice, the Robbins United Methodist Church, the American Red Cross, the American Legion, and the Eaton Rapids Medical Center. Carl was preceded in death by his parents and his daughter, Renee.

Surviving are his wife Margaret; his daughter, Elonda (Donald) Watts; his sons, Mark (Dori) Wilcox and Michael Raby; his grandchildren, Travis Watts, Dylan Secord, Kacey and Darren Spitzley, Travis and Micalyn Wilcox, Brian Krupinski; his brother, Duane; his sisters, Donna (Ron) Neill, Yvonne (Jerry) Letts, Judy (Dean) Zimmerman and Mary Ann (Will) Miller; Margaret's family, her mother Marian Trombley; her sisters, Carolyn (William) Spyker, Kathryn (Joe) Pore, Loretta (William) Gaunt and many nieces and nephews. Carl will always be remembered as a devoted family man and true friend to many.

The family was served by the Skinner Funeral Home with services held on Monday, February 21st, at the Robbins United Methodist Church, Eaton Rapids, with the Rev. Dr. James P. Mitchum and Rev. Marty DeBow officiating. Full military graveside honors were provided by the American Legion Post #15 Eaton Rapids at Rosehill Cemetery following the service. Those planning an expression of sympathy are asked to consider memorial contributions to Eaton Community Hospice, Robbins United Methodist Church or the Eaton Rapids Medical Center.

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HORN, WESLEY V.

Park Lake, Holt and Eaton Rapids



Age 90, died February 27, 2000. Mr. Horn was born in rural Pillager, MN, on July 16, 1909, to George Wesley and Flarra Belle Horn. He was a resident of the Lansing

area for the past 60 years, having lived at Park Lake, Holt and, most recently, Eaton Rapids. He was a member of the First Assembly of God Church and had been employed by Lorenz Buick and Phillip (Capitol) Dodge of Lansing as an auto body mechanic prior to his retirement in 1975. Surviving are his son, George W. of DeWitt; 2 daughters, Beverly (Lew) Wilson of Eaton Rapids and Gloria (Ken) Feher of Haslett; brother, Daniel of Baxter, MN; 6 grandchildren; and 5 great grandchildren. Mr. Horn was preceded in death by his wife, Ardeth; grandchild, Susan Horn; 2 sisters; and 10 brothers. Funeral services will be held **Wednesday, March 1, 10 a.m. at the Gorsline-Runciman Co. Lansing Chapel, 900 E. Michigan Avenue, Lansing.** Interment will follow in Gunnisonville Cemetery, DeWitt. The family will receive friends at the Chapel Tuesday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Those wishing may make contributions to the Eaton Rapids Medical Center or the Alzheimer's Association, Greater Ann Arbor Chapter, 3810 Packard, Suite 240, Ann Arbor 48108, in memory of Mr. Horn. **LSJ 2-29-00**

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WONSER, LUELLA**Eaton Rapids**

Age 95, died Monday, February 14, 2000. Mrs. Wonser was born December 8, 1904 in Eaton Township, MI the daughter of Ira and Vera (Rolfe) Halsey. She was a teacher for the Eaton County Rural Schools. She is survived by daughters, Doris Wonser of Eaton Rapids, and Gaynell (Louis) Haley of Charlotte; 3 grandchildren; 5 great-grandchildren; 3 great-great-grandchildren; brothers, Dean (Dorothy) Halsey of Ft. Myers, FL, Bud (Shirley) Halsey of Charlotte, Robert (Peg) Halsey of Nashville; sisters, Edith Hutchinson of Charlotte, Gladys Thomas of Hendersonville, NC, Vera Bracy of Charlotte, Ola (Joel) Burnett of Charlotte and Ila Burnett of Olivet. She was preceded in death by her husband, Pearl Wonser in 1982; sisters, Mary Hosey, Grace Thomas, Florence Sprague, Lela Granger; brothers, George Halsey and Elmer Halsey. Funeral services will be **2 p.m. Thursday, February 17, 2000 at Pray Funeral Home** with Rev. Dave Burnett officiating. Interment will be in Needmore Cemetery in Roxand Township, MI. Visitation will be Wednesday, 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. at Pray Funeral Home. If desired, memorial contributions may be made to Shady Green Pastures Bible Camp. **LSJ 2-16-2000**

* *Flashes***KYSER, CARL****Eaton Rapids**

Born June 21, 1932, the son of Guy and Magnolia (Lohness) Kyser in Hillsdale, MI. Passed away at the age of 67 on Thursday,

February 17, 2000 at his home he loved so dearly, following a valiant year long struggle with lung cancer and biliary cancer. Carl was a Korean War veteran serving in the United States Army. He retired from Eaton Technologies in 1990, but continued to dedicate himself to volunteer work with Eaton Community Hospice, the Robbins United Methodist Church, the American Red Cross, the American Legion, and the Eaton Rapids Medical Center. Carl was preceded in death by his parents and his daughter, Renee. Surviving are his wife, Margaret; his daughter, Elonda (Donald) Watts; his sons, Mark (Dori) Wilcox and Michael Raby; his grandchildren, Travis Watts, Dylan Secord, Kacey and Darren Spitzley, Travis and Micalyn Wilcox, Brian Krupinski; his brother, Duane; his sisters, Donna (Ron) Neill, Yvonne (Jerry) Letts, Judy (Dean) Zimmerman and Mary Ann (Will) Miller; Margaret's family; her mother, Marian Trombley; her sisters, Carolyn (William) Spyker, Katheryn (Joe) Pore, Loretta (William) Gaunt and many nieces and nephews. Carl will always be remembered as a devoted family man and true friend to many. The family is being served by the Skinner Funeral Home with visitation from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, with services on **Monday, February 21 at 11 a.m. at the Robbins United Methodist Church at 6419 Bunker Rd., Eaton Rapids** with the Rev. Dr. James P. Mitchum and Rev. Marty DeBow officiating. Full military graveside honors will be provided by the American Legion Post #15 Eaton Rapids following service at Rosehill Cemetery. Those planning an expression of sympathy are asked to consider memorial contributions to Eaton Community Hospice, Robbins United Methodist Church or the Eaton Rapids Medical Center. **LSJ 2-19-2000**

CORBIN, DANIEL ALLEN**Martin, MI and Zepherhills, FL Formerly of Eaton Rapids**

Age 64, passed from this life on Saturday, February 19, 2000. Born April 22, 1935, in Eaton Rapids, the son of Eldred and Anna (DeClercq) Corbin, Dan was an Eaton Rapids High School graduate, class of 1953. He was a former Councilman for the city of Eaton Rapids and had been employed by Union Camp for 38 years. He enjoyed bowling, golfing and collecting lighthouses. Dan was preceded in death by his parents. Surviving are his loving wife of 45 years, Connie; son, Duane (Jan) Corbin of Kalamazoo; 3 granddaughters, Michelle (Shelly), Tara and Jessica; 1 great granddaughter, Rhonda; brother, Merle (Jean) Corbin of Delton; sister, Phyllis Vincent of Lansing; and several nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be **Saturday, February 26, 2 p.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids** where visitation will be Friday evening from 6-8 p.m. For those desiring, a memorial contribution may be made to the American Lung Association in memory of Daniel A. Corbin. **LSJ 2-24-2000**

ALVIN R. SHEFF

Alvin R. Sheff, age 69, died Thursday, February 3, 2000 in Lansing. Alvin was born February 27, 1930 in Sturgis, the son of Benjamin Cherry and Agnes Gertrude (Cunningham) Sheff. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army Serving in the Korean Conflict, a member of the American Legion Post #351 in Utica, and Voiture 40 et 8 Post #1061 in East Pointe. Alvin retired from Chrysler Corp in Warren in 1982.

Surviving are his wife, Margaret L.; daughter, Denise (Dale) Tuomari of Redford; son, Bernard Sheff of Eaton Rapids; 2 grandchildren, Benjamin Patrick Sheff, James Douglas Sheff; mother, Agnes Sheff of Florida; and sister Doris Anscornb of Florida; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held on Monday February 7, 2000 at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids with Pastor John Hayden of the Columbia Road Baptist Church officiating. Interment will follow at Fowler Cemetery in Aurelius Twp. Those desiring may make contributions to the American Legion Post #351 in memory of Alvin Sheff.

VIRGINIA R. (BLATT) RILEY

Virginia R. (Blatt) Riley, age 67, died Monday, January 31, 2000. Virginia was born October 6, 1932 in Eaton Rapids, the daughter of Francis Harold and Helen Jane (Collins) Blatt. She was a member of the VFW and the American Legion Club 47 in Comstock Park and retired from the Grand Rapids Veterans Facility. Virginia graduated from the Eaton Rapids High School, Class of 1951. She was preceded in death by her husband, Ralph Riley and sister, Clara Finney.

Surviving are her 2 sons, Perry (Susan) McDonald of Holt, Sidney (Roxanne) McDonald of Lansing; 3 grandchildren, Sarah and Jessica McDonald and Lindsey; 3 brothers, Paul (Bonnie) Blatt of Lansing, Robert (Wilma) Blatt of Florida, John (Carolyn) Blatt of Muskegon and several nieces and nephews.

Memorial services were held on Saturday, February 5, 2000 at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. Interment of cremains followed at Rosehill Cemetery, Eaton Rapids.

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ELLEN M. JONES

Ellen M. Jones, age 79, died Sunday, February 13, 2000 in Wayne. Ellen was born May 11, 1920 in Detroit, the daughter of Edward Morris and Mary Martha (Gendron) Nyberg. She was a resident of Eaton Rapids for many years, a member of St. Peter Church and the Altar Society. Mrs. Jones was preceded in death by her husband, Clinton M. Jones in 1991.

Surviving are 6 children; 15 grandchildren; 33 great-grandchildren; and 1 sister. Mass of the Christian Burial will be prayed on Tuesday, February 15, 2000, 12 noon, at St. Peter Church, Eaton Rapids, with Father Bennett Constantine as Celebrant. Rite of Burial will be at Rosehill Cemetery, Eaton Rapids. Those desiring may make contributions to Hope Nursing Center, Activities Unit, in memory of Ellen M. Jones. Arrangements by the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. www.Legacy.com

PHYLLIS A. LOCKE

Phyllis A. Locke, age 77, died Tuesday, February 8, 2000, in Lansing. She was born September 30, 1922 in Charlotte, the daughter of Merrell David and Velma Adele (McArthur) Van Deusen. Phyllis was a member of the Central Michigan Philatelic Society, a founding member of the Barryton Area Historical Society and a member of the Barryton Area Senior Center. Phyllis was preceded in death by her husband, John in 1993 and her daughter, Barbara Underwood in 1999.

Surviving are her daughter, Penny (Al "Sonny") Opdyke of Lansing; 3 grandchildren, Todd (Renee) Underwood of Marshall, Tammy (Jerry) Mejia and Tim Opdyke both of Lansing; 3 great-grandsons, Trevor, Tyler and Alex; sister, Maxine Coville of White Cloud; several nieces, nephews, cousins and special friends she met on her life's journey.

Funeral services were held on Friday, February 11, 2000 at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids, with Rev. Lyle D. Heaton, Pastor of the Wacousta Community United Methodist Church, officiating. Interment followed at Rosehill Cemetery, Eaton Rapids. Casket bearers were Todd Underwood, Tim Opdyke, Jerry Meyia and Sonny Opdyke. Those desiring may make contributions to the Barryton Area Historical Society or the American Cancer Society in memory of Phyllis A. Locke. www.Legacy.com

STOWELL, GRACE MARION**Eaton Rapids**

Loving mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and friend, age 85, died February 10, 2000. Born November 16, 1914 in Lansing, Mrs. Stowell retired from Michigan State University as an Accountant Clerk after 15 years of faithful service. She was preceded in death by her husband, Leo H. in 1973 and daughter, Marklyn L. Stowell in 1994. Surviving are 1 son, Bernard L. Stowell of Lansing; 6 grandchildren, Todd, Tonya, Tommy and Timy Stowell, Tige Walkinhood and Lee Swift; 9 great-grandchildren, who all loved her very much. Funeral services will be held **Tuesday, February 15, 12 Noon at the Gorsline-Runciman Co. Lansing Chapel, 900 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing** with the Rev. Sally J. Nolen of Lansing, officiating. Interment will follow in Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens, Lansing. The family will receive friends at the Chapel Monday from 2-8 p.m.

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FLADUNG, JOSEPH J.**Lansing
Formerly of Eaton Rapids**

Age 76, went home to be with the Lord, February 9, 2000. Joseph worked in carpentry and home repair, was a United States Navy Veteran. He had a profound love and respect for nature and enjoyed and appreciated opera, classical music and philosophy. He is survived by his loving family, children; Patricia Larson of Belmont, and Larry (Judith) Fladung of Marquette, 6 grandchildren, 1 great-granddaughter. Visitation is Saturday, February 12, 2000 12 noon until service time 1 p.m. at **Holihan-Atkin Funeral Home, Grand Ledge**. Memorial contributions to the American Red Cross. *LSJ 2-11-00*

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ARNOLD, LEORA B.

Eaton Rapids



Age 88, died Wednesday, February 2, 2000 in Holt. Leora was born October 24, 1911 in Ionia the daughter of Matthew G. and Elmira Abbie (Higgins) Bradley. She had been a member of

the First United Methodist Church in Eaton Rapids since 1948. Leora worked side by side with her husband at Arnold & Becklund IGA for 22 years. She was a former member of the BPW and Eaton Rapids Hospital Auxiliary. Surviving are her husband of 63 years, Volney M.; 2 daughters, Judith (Gary) Davis of Bradenton FL and Jill (Terry) Clone of Eaton Rapids; 4 grandchildren, Lori (Brian) Robinson, Lisa (Chad) Rehkopf, Greg (Lisa) Clone, Jon (Marcy) Clone; and a half sister, Joan (Leo) Watkins of Troutman, NC. Funeral services will be held 2 p.m. Monday, February 7, 2000 at the First United Methodist Church, 600 S. Main, with Pastor Tom Evans officiating. Interment will follow at Rosehill Cemetery. The family will receive friends on Sunday from 2-6 p.m. at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, 518 S. Main, Eaton Rapids. Those desiring may make contributions to the First United Methodist Church Building Fund or the Eaton Rapids Medical Center Building Fund in memory of Leora B. Arnold.

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SHEFF, ALVIN R.

Eaton Rapids

Age 69, died Thursday, Feb. 3, 2000 in Lansing. Alvin was born Feb. 27, 1930 in Sturgis, the son of Benjamin Cherry and Agnes Gertrude (Cunningham) Sheff. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army serving in the Korean Conflict, a member of the American Legion Post #351 in Utica, and Voiture 40 et 8 Post # 1061 in East Pointe. Alvin retired from Chrysler Corp in Warren in 1982. Surviving are his wife, Margaret L.; daughter, Denise (Dale) Toumari of Redford; son, Bernard Sheff of Eaton Rapids; 2 grandchildren, Benjamin Patrick Sheff and Denise Suzanne Toumari; mother, Agnes Sheff of Florida; and sister Doris Anscorb of Florida. Funeral services will be held on Monday, Feb. 7, 2000, 10:00 a.m. at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, 518 S. Main, Eaton Rapids, with Pastor John Hayden of the Columbia Road Baptist Church officiating. Interment will follow at Fowler Cemetery in Aurelius Twp. The family will receive friends on Saturday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. and Sunday from 7-9 p.m. at the Funeral Home. Those desiring may make contributions to the American Legion Post # 351 in memory of Alvin Sheff.

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LEORA B. ARNOLD

Leora B. Arnold, age 88, died Wednesday, February 2, 2000 in Holt. Leora was born October 24, 1911 in Ionia the daughter of Matthew G. and Almira Abbie (Higgins) Bradley (former owners of the Bradley Funeral Home in Ionia). She had been a member of the First United Methodist Church in Eaton Rapids since 1948. Leora worked side by side with her husband at Arnold & Becklund IGA for 22 years. She was a former member of the BPW and Eaton Rapids Hospital Auxiliary. Leora was a graduate of Ionia

High School, Class of 1930 and played ladies semi-pro softball in Ionia for several years with the Friar Ale team.

Surviving are her husband of 63 years, Volney M.; 2 daughters, Judith (Gary) Davis of Bradenton, FL, Jill (Terry) Clone of Eaton Rapids; 4 grandchildren, Lori (Brian) Robinson, Lisa (Chad) Rehkopf, Greg (Lisa) Clone, Jon (Marcy) Clone; 7 great-grandchildren and a half sister, Joan (Leo) Watkins of Troutman, NC.

Funeral services were held on Monday, February 7, 2000 at the First United Methodist Church, Eaton Rapids, with Pastor Tom Evans officiating. Interment followed at Rosehill Cemetery. Funeral arrangements were made by the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids. Those desiring may make contributions to the First United Methodist Church Building Fund or the Eaton Rapids Medical Center Building Fund in memory of Leora B. Arnold.



JAMES B. ROGERS

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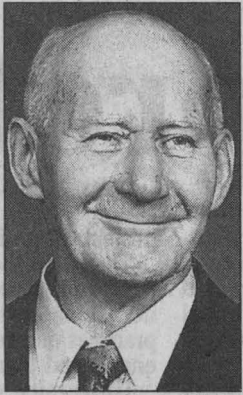
James B. Rogers, age 68, of Eaton Rapids died Tuesday, February 1, 2000 at a Lansing hospital. He was born March 20, 1931 in Muskegon, Michigan the son of Elmer and Bertha (Dyer) Rogers. Jim was a retired employee of Federal Drop Forge in Lansing. He was preceded in death by his son Jimmie Rogers; 2 grandchildren, Tyrone and Jaime Rogers; and 3 brothers, Bud, Sidney and Jake.

great-grandchildren; 2 sisters, Beulah Rogers of St. Johns and Alice Cook of Casa Grande, AZ; several nieces and nephews.

Surviving are his wife of 49 years, Ordalia (Babe); 2 children, Trudy (Merrill) Shelden and Rodney (Christine) Rogers all of Eaton Rapids; 13 grandchildren and 8

Funeral services were held on Friday, February 4th, from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids with Rev. Stephen Klink of the Community Christian Church officiating. Burial followed in the Bunker Cemetery in rural Eaton Rapids. Casket bearers were grandsons, Jeff Dassance, Jacob Rogers, Snapper Shelden, Sidney Shelden, Brent Dyer and Richard Rogers; honorary bearers were Levi Rogers and Ned Palmer.



MORSE, ELGIN LEE**Eaton Rapids
Formerly of Mason**

This gentle Christian man went to be with the Lord on Friday, January 21, 2000 at the age of 80. He was born September 8, 1919 in

Towers Garden, MI the son of Robert Lorenzo and Hazel Pearl (Guthrie) Morse. Mr. Morse retired from General Motors in 1981. He attended Charity Baptist Church in Mason. Survivors include 6 children, Robert (Judy) Morse, Carol (Rodney) Stanton, Constance (Dennis) Johnson, Joyce Schinman, Janice (Mark) Palmer, and Jean (Randy) Grose, 15 grandchildren, 30 great-grandchildren; 4 brothers, Donald, Edwin, O. B., John, and 3 sisters, Dorothy Cotes, Vera Becker, and Helen Shattuck. He was preceded in death by his wife of 58 years, Anna C. Morse, on September 23, 1999 and 1 sister, Alma Termeer. Funeral services will be conducted by the Rev. Dr. Dale B. Sawyer at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, January 25, 2000 at Charity Baptist Church in Mason. Interment will follow at Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens. The family will receive friends at the Estes-Leadley Greater Lansing Chapel on Monday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Those who wish may make memorial contributions, in loving memory of Mr. Morse, to Charity Baptist Church, 2899 Holt Road, Mason, MI 48854. LSJ 1-23-2000

BURNETT, JANET**Eaton Rapids**

Age 41, passed away on January 27, 2000. She was born on May 19, 1958 in Detroit, MI, a daughter to Roy and Ann Cencich. Mrs. Burnett enjoyed working as

a certified Pharmacy Technician at the Apothecary Shop in Lansing, where she had worked approximately 8 years. She was very devoted to her family, friends and her pets, all of whom will greatly miss her. Surviving are her husband, Robert J. Burnett; children, Jason Roy Jackson of Lansing, Michael Paul (Jean Elizabeth) Jackson of DeWitt; granddaughter, Karen Ann; her parents, brother, Dennis E. (Carmen) Cencich of El Paso, TX, step-sisters, Linda (Gary) Stiffler and Margaret Ann Flintz; step-brothers, John (Karan) Gray and James P. Gray; several nieces and nephews; Godchildren, Ryan, Tony and Jessica Lonik; special friends, Sally Bruen, Anna Spagnuolo, and Tammy Reynolds and many other loving and caring friends. She was preceded in death by her birth mother, June Cencich on January 29, 1972. Funeral Liturgy will be conducted by Deacon Bob McPhilamy of St. Gerard Catholic Church at 11 a.m. Tuesday, February 1, 2000 at the Estes-Leadley Greater Lansing Chapel. The family will receive friends at the funeral home Sunday from 2-4 p.m. and Monday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. with the Fosary prayed at 7:30 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society in memory of Janet Burnett. LSJ 1-30-2000

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OPAL OLIVE PECK

Opal Olive Peck, age 90, died Friday, January 28, 2000. She was born December 29, 1909 in Charlotte the daughter of Alvah Ancil and Beulah D. (Broughton) Holmes. Opal was a 50 year member of the Eaton Rapids OES #241 and had retired from Eaton Stamping in 1976 after 27 years of service.

Surviving are her husband of 64 years, Leland E.; and 1 sister, Louise Colby of Jackson.

There will be no services. Arrangements by the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids.

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ROGERS, JAMES B.**Eaton Rapids**

Age 68, of Eaton Rapids, died Tuesday, February 1, 2000 at a Lansing hospital. Born March 20, 1931 in Muskegon, the son of Elmer and Bertha (Dyer) Rogers. Jim was a retired employee for Federal Drop Forge in Lansing. He was preceded in death by his son, Jimmie Rogers. Surviving are his wife of 49 years, Ordella (Babe); 2 children, Trudy (Merrill) Shelden and Rodney (Christine) Rogers all of Eaton Rapids; 13 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren; 2 sisters, Beulah Rogers of St. Johns and Alice Cook of Casa Grande, AZ; several nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be held on Friday, February 4 at 1 p.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids. Burial will follow at the Bunker Cemetery in Eaton Rapids. Visitation will be Thursday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. at the funeral home. LSJ 2-3-2000

BANISTER, KEVIN CLARE

Eaton Rapids

Age 40, passed away Saturday, January 1, 2000. Kevin was born the son of Arnold and Alyce Banister on September 25, 1959 in Jackson. Kevin is survived by his wife, Judith of Eaton Rapids; 1 step-daughter, Gloria Loveland; 4 grandchildren; parents, Arnold and Lisa Banister and Alyce and Gene Sluiter; 2 brothers, Timothy Banister, Steven (Marilyn) Banister; 1 nephew, Greg Banister and 1 niece, Niki Banister. The family will receive friends at Robertson Funeral Homes, Leslie Chapel, Wednesday, January 5, from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. The funeral service will be held **Thursday, January 6, at the funeral home at 2 p.m.** with Rev. Bruce Crockett officiating. Interment will follow at Woodlawn Cemetery. In memory of Kevin, memorial contributions may be made to St. Joseph Indian School. *LSJ 1-5-2000*

MILLER, ERNESTINE AUDREY (SUPP)

Eaton Rapids

Age 91, died Friday, January 14, 2000. Mrs. Miller was born January 8, 1909, in Holland, MI, the daughter of George August and Elizabeth (Smith) Windeknecht. She opened the first Montgomery Ward office in Charlotte and was later employed as a Secretary to Dr. Carothers in Charlotte for many years. She is survived by her husband, Lynn; daughter, Betty Kay (Floyd "Bud") Wainwright of Charlotte; son, Robert (Sharon) Kulfan of Seattle, WA; 6 grandchildren; 1 great granddaughter; and 1 great great granddaughter. Funeral services will be **2 p.m. Tuesday, January 18, 2000, at Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte**, with Rev. George Fleming officiating. Interment will be in Rose Hill Cemetery in Eaton Rapids. Visitation will be 4-6 and 7-9 p.m. Monday at the Funeral Home. If desired, memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association or the American Diabetes Association. *LSJ 1-16-2000*

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CLYDE H. BURLESON

Clyde H. Burleson, age 66, of Mason died Friday, January 7, 2000 in Eaton Rapids. He was born September 19, 1933 in Eaton Rapids the son of Ward and Helen (Hall) Burleson. Clyde retired in 1982 with 30 years of service with Fisher Body of Lansing and was a member of the U.A.W. Local #602.

Surviving are his wife of 45 years, Patty Lou; 4 children, Susan (Steve) Pifer of Howell, William (Roberta) Burleson of Eaton Rapids, Julie (Richard) Rice of Onondaga and Timothy (Deborah) Burleson of Mason; 9 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren; 2 sisters,

Martha Burleson of Eaton Rapids and Naomi (William) Wilkinson of Dimondale; 5 nieces and nephews; mother-in-law, Beatrice Hart; sister and brother-in-law, Karen and William DeTemple; and uncles, John Steele and Bill Cherry.

Funeral services were held Monday, January 10th from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids with the Rev. Stephen Klink officiating. Burial followed in the Rosehill Cemetery in Eaton Rapids. For those desiring a memorial contribution may be made to the Eaton Rapids Senior Center in memory of Clyde H. Burleson.

ANDREW, DELBERT D. "DEL"

Eaton Rapids

Age 56, died January 19, 2000. Born March 5, 1943 in Alma, MI, the son of Forrest and Rhea Andrew. Del retired from General Motors in 1997 with 33.8 years as a General Supervisor. He was an avid golfer and after retiring had worked at a driving range. Surviving are his wife, Karen (Welch); step-sons, Tony and Trevor Swan; daughter, Kelly Andrew; son, Michael Andrew; parents, Forrest and Rhea Andrew of St. Louis; brother, Larry Andrew; sisters, Donna Griffith and Barb Pugh; grandchildren, Josh and Ashley Andrew; and several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins and many special friends. Funeral services will be **Saturday, January 22 at 11 a.m. from the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids**. Burial will follow in the Rosehill Cemetery in Eaton Rapids. Visitation will be Friday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. For those desiring, a memorial contribution may be made to the Hospice of Lansing in memory of Del Andrew. *LSJ 1-21-2000*

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MARY E. COOK

Mary E. Cook, age 80, died Thursday, January 13, 2000, in Eaton Rapids. Mary was born October 24, 1919 in Morristown, NJ, the daughter of James and Minnie (Everman) DeNike. She was a short order cook for most of the restaurants in Eaton Rapids over the years. Mrs. Cook was preceded in death by her husband, Tracy, in 1984.

Surviving are her daughter, Lisa (Floyd) Byron of Eaton Rapids; son, Wayne (Sandy) Miller of Lansing; 3 step daughters, Evelyn Boyd of Eaton Rapids, Frances Turner and Betty Jo (Donald) Powell both of South Carolina; 21 grandchildren; 35 great-grandchildren; 11 great-great-grandchildren; and 1 sister, Rose Schroeder of New Jersey.

Funeral services were held on Monday, January 17, 2000 at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids, with Rev. Stephen Klink, Pastor of the Eaton Rapids Community Christian Church, officiating. Interment followed at Rosehill Cemetery, Eaton Rapids. Those desiring may make contributions to the Eaton Rapids Medical Center Building Fund in memory of Mary Cook.