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?**KIRBIE L. CHESTER, 43**, Charlestown, died Sunday, October 18 at his residence. He was a Millwright at Chester Brothers Manufacturing, was a member of the Sons of American Legion Post 335 and enjoyed hunting and fishing.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Herbert Earl Chester.

Survivors include a daughter, Nikki Chester of Otisco; step-son, Tra Hall of Otisco; brother, Kenneth Kern of New Washington; four sisters, Paula Murphy of Charlestown, Margie Sorg of Borden, Karen Meadors of New Washington and Kathy Schuster of Jeffersonville; step-father, Carl Schuster, Jr. of New Albany and several nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles and friends.

Services were held Wednesday, October 21 at Grayson Funeral Home in Charlestown with burial in Charlestown Cemetery.

ELVA RUTH NORRIS, 86, Salem, died Monday, October 19 at Floyd Memorial Hospital.

She was a member of the Salem United Methodist Church, served in WWII as a Specialist 3rd Class in the US Navy, was a member of the Washington County Memorial Hospital Women's Auxiliary and the Salem Senior Citizens. She loved her church, her friends and playing euchre. She was a retired employee of the Washington County Welfare Department and was a former secretary for the old Salem Cheese & Milk Plant and Salem High School.

Survivors include a daughter, Brenda Bensheimer of Boggstown; four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Services were held Thursday, October 22 at Salem United Methodist Church with interment in Boggstown Cemetery with full military honors. Dawalt Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to Fairland United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 181, Fairland, IN 46126.

MIRIAM C. MAHURON, 86, Salem, died Sunday, October 18 at Washington County Memorial Hospital.

She was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, had been a life resident of Washington County and was a retired employee of the old Warren Sweet Shop in Salem.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Warren G. (Strawberry) Mahuron, one brother and one great-granddaughter.

Survivors include a son, Jimmy Mahuron of Salem; two daughters, Bannah Hanover of Salem and Warrenett Gilstrap of Salem; two brothers, Junior Allison of Salem and Paul Allison of Campbellsburg; 11 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Services were held Tuesday, October 20 at Dawalt Funeral Home with interment in Crown Hill Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association, 240 Whittington Pkwy, Louisville, KY 40222-4904.

WILBUR L. (HOPPY) COOK, 71, Fredericksburg, died Sunday, October 18 at his residence.

He was a member of the Mt. Carmel Methodist Church near Fredericksburg, had been a resident of Washington County since 1970, formerly of Louisville, and was a farmer and retired employee of Kitchen Kompact Cabinetry in Jeffersonville.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Lucille (Linzie) Cook, a daughter, Debra Cook, and a sister.

Survivors include two sons, Derrill Cook of Pekin and Ronnie Renfro of Underwood; two sisters, Martha Turner of Louisville and Geneva Saltgaver of Palmyra; six grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Services were held Wednesday, October 21 at Dawalt Funeral Home with interment in Mt. Carmel Methodist Cemetery in Fredericksburg.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Lung Association, 115 West Washington Street, Ste. 1180, South Indianapolis, IN 46204.

WANDA JANE "JANIE" DEATON, 79, Salem, died Saturday, October 17 at her home.

She had worked in the grocery business from age 8, having retired from Jay C Food Store in Salem. She was a member of the High Street Church of Christ.

She was preceded in death by three brothers, Ralph Hague, Leroy Denham and Larry Denham and five sisters, Marjorie Fultz, Betty Lou Wilkerson, Mary Ellen, Orpha Mae and Mildred.

Survivors include her husband, Ernest Deaton; two sons, Rodney and Michael Deaton both of Salem; daughter, Cheyenne Tye of Salem; three brothers, Charles, Edgar and David Denham; two sisters, Marjorie Jane and Lula Belle Denham; six grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren.

Services were held Tuesday, October 20 at Weathers Funeral Home with burial in Smedley Cemetery.

MARTIN D. TAFLINGER, 73, Lexington, died Friday, October 16 at his residence.

He was a retired farmer and enjoyed hunting, fishing and was a US Army veteran.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Virginia Taflinger; sister, Katherine Kendall; three

brothers, Leslie, Glenn and William Taflinger and a great-grandchild.

Survivors include two daughters, Deborah Taflinger of New Washington and Rhonda Ferguson of Lexington; two sisters, Margaret Farmer of Borden and Sue Skinner of Glencoe, Kentucky; two brothers, James Taflinger of New Washington and John Taflinger of Nabb; three grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Services were held Sunday, October 18 at Grayson Funeral Home in New Washington with burial in Crown Hill Cemetery.

MARY ALLIENE RUMBLEY BARKSDALE, 96, New Salisbury, died Monday, October 19 at Indian Creek Health and Rehabilitation Center in Corydon.

She was an employee of the old Davis Poultry Farm for over 20 years, a homemaker and a member of Unity Chapel United Methodist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Leonard A. Barksdale and a daughter-in-law, Dolores Barksdale.

Survivors include two sons, Marcus Barksdale of New Salisbury and Roger Barksdale of New Palestine; three grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Services were held Thursday, October 22 at Unity Chapel United Methodist Church in Ramsey with burial in Woods Chapel Cemetery. Swarens Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

GEORGE VAUGHN SPAULDING, 82, Salem, died Monday, October 19 at Floyd Memorial Hospital.

He was a former board chairman and elder of the First Christian Church of Salem. He served in WWII as a Seaman 1st Class in the US Navy. He was a 50 year member of the Salem Masonic Lodge #21 F & A.M. and the Scottish Rite Valley of Indianapolis. He was on the Board of Directors for the Washington County Chamber of Commerce from 1972 to 1975, volunteered at the Washington County Food Bank and was a 13-year volunteer with the American Heart Association. He retired in 1990 as a Vice President with National City Bank in Salem, which had previously been the Farmers-Citizens Bank.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Betty Ann Marshall Spaulding.

Survivors include his wife, Helen E. (Casey) Martin Spaulding; three sons, Michael V. Spaulding of Floyds Knobs, Phillip D. Spaulding of Clarksville and Jeffrey L. Spaulding of Salem; stepson, Dennis L. Martin of Salem; stepdaughter, Linda J. Chastain of Campbellsburg; eight grandchildren and one great-grandson.

Services were held Friday, October 23 at First Christian Church of Salem with burial in Crown Hill Cemetery with full military honors. Dawalt Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to the First Christian Church of Salem, 305 East Walnut Street, Salem, IN 47167.

DEBBIE BALMER CUNNINGHAM, 50, Charlestown, died Tuesday, October 20 at her residence.

She worked in the family business for AJS Inc. as a Manager for Kentucky Fried Chicken on Charlestown Rd. in New Albany for 23 years.

Survivors include her husband, Richard Cunningham of Charlestown; six sisters, Linda Duggins, Patti Jones and Brenda Bennison all of Charlestown, Stephanie Pressel of Detroit,

Michigan, Beatrice Baron of Indianapolis and Jo Ann Schneider of Louisville; two brothers, Jerry and Mike Balmer both of Charlestown; two brother-in-laws, Ronald Cunningham of Kansas and Jerry Cunningham of Florida and several nieces and nephews.

Services were held Saturday, October 24 at First Baptist Church in Charlestown. Grayson Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to the American Cancer Society.

EDITH MAE DULEY, 93, Corydon, died Tuesday, October 20 at Harrison County Hospital.

Survivors include three sons, Carl E. and Gilbert E. Duley both of Corydon and Robert A. Duley of Santa Claus; daughter, Mary Catherine Black of New Salisbury; 13 grandchildren, 31 great-grandchildren and 18 great-great-grandchildren.

Services were held Saturday, October 24 at Gehlbach & Royse Funeral Home in Corydon with burial in Otterbein Cemetery in Laconia.

The family suggests memorial gifts be made to Mt. Zion Community Church.

BRIAN SCOTT HEDRICK, 43, Salem, died Wednesday, October 21 at Washington County Memorial Hospital.

He was the former owner of Hoosier Transport and a member of Salem Moose Lodge.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Dorothy Faye Hedrick.

Survivors include his wife, Anna Beams Hedrick; father, Larry Hedrick of Salem and three brothers, Mike and Kevin Hedrick both of Salem and Jeff Hedrick of New Albany.

Services were held Sunday, October 25 at Weathers Funeral Home with burial in Mt. Washington Cemetery.

SANDRA K. ABBOTT, 45, Charlestown, died Wednesday, October 21 at Jewish Hospital in Louisville.

She was a Certified Nursing and Qualified Nursing Assistant at St. Catherine Regional Hospital in Charlestown.

She was preceded in death by her parents and brother, Drew Adam Fisher.

Survivors include her husband, Allen Sands of Charlestown; three brothers, Roger Fisher of Hibernia, Gordon Fisher of New Albany and Robbie Abbott of Charlestown and two sisters, Dixie Lee Riley of Jeffersonville and Brenda Faye Collins of New Washington.

Services were held Saturday, October 24 at Grayson Funeral Home in Charlestown with burial in Crown Hill Cemetery.

BARBARA LYNN KING, 61, Greenville, died Thursday, October 22 at Floyd Memorial Hospital.

She was retired from University of Louisville as director of the Access Center.

She was preceded in death by her father, Thomas Burton and granddaughter, Lucy Hausz.

Survivors include her husband, Jim King; two daughters, Jill Lynn Esterle and Andrea Hausz; mother, Norma Burton; two brothers, Tom and Dwayne Burton; sister, Marcia Adams and five grandchildren.

Services were held Saturday, October 24 at St. Mary's Navilleton Catholic Church. Kraft Funeral Service was in charge of arrangements.

The family requests expressions of sympathy be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital.

LINDA E. McCASLIN, 62, Salem, died Thursday, October 22.

Services were private. Dawalt Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

JAMES W. BARLOW, 51, Charlestown, died Thursday, October 22 at Clark Memorial Hospital.

He worked as a security officer for the Kentucky State Reformatory in LaGrange, Kentucky, was a former EMT and a member of Pleasant View Baptist Church.

Survivors include his parents, John "Jack" and Cora Barlow of Marysville; daughter, Amanda Barlow of Jeffersonville; brother, Donnie Barlow of Marysville and a granddaughter, Rochelle.

Services were held Monday, October 26 at Grayson Funeral Home in New Washington with burial in New Market Cemetery.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to Pleasant View Baptist Church.

ROBERT JOHNSON, 87, Salem, died Saturday, October 24 at Washington County Memorial Hospital.

He was a tool and die maker at the Ford Engineering Plant in Dearborn, Michigan for 29 years, retiring in 1982. He attended Livonia Presbyterian Church, served in WWII as a Staff Sergeant in the US Army and was awarded a Purple Heart. He was a member of the Little York Masonic Lodge #512 F & A.M. for over 50 years.

He was preceded in death by a son and daughter.

Survivors include his wife, Loretta J. (Williams) Robison Johnson; step-son, Harvey Daley of Livonia, Michigan; step-daughter, Kay Begley of Louisville and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Services were held Tuesday, October 27 at Dawalt Funeral Home with burial in Franklin Cemetery with full military honors.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to the American Cancer Society, 2201 West Sudbury Drive, Suite C, Bloomington, IN 47403.

NORMAN H. MEREDITH, 80, Salem, died Friday, October 23 at Floyd Memorial Hospital.

He was a former employee of W.R. Grace in New Albany and a member of Free Fellowship Gospel Church.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary Narrett Meredith; four brothers; three step-grandchildren and one step-great-grandchild.

Survivors include three sons, John and Barney Meredith both of Salem and Jeff Meredith of Pekin; step-son, Howard Ridener of Mitchell; four daughters, Donna Potts of Borden, Connie Reynolds of Mitchell, Faye Meredith of Salem and Evelyn Meredith of Orleans; three step-daughters, Pearl Corn of Deputy, Annie Wynn of Salem and Judy Jonas of Mitchell; five brothers, Carl Meredith of Louisville, Ed and Donald Meredith both of Leitchfield, Kentucky, Berthal Meredith of Palmyra and Floyd Meredith of Salem; two sisters, Lillian and Reata; 12 grandchildren, one great-grandchild, nine step-grandchildren and 18 step-great-grandchildren.

Services were held Tuesday, October 27 at Weathers Funeral Home with burial in Mentor Cemetery in Birdseye.