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ESTHER AKEMON, 86, Scottsburg, died Monday, February 11, 2013 at Hickory Creek. She was born on March 25, 1926 in Guerrant, Ky. to the late Fred and Viney May Oaks Combs. She was a retired cafeteria clerk for Scott County School District II where she worked for 31 years. She was a charter member of of the Women of the Moose Lodge #1947 and a member of Scaffold Lick Baptist Church.

Survivors include her sons: Luther (Evelyn) Akemon of Scottsburg and Robert D. Akemon of Lexington; her daughters: Willena (Paul) McIntosh of Salem, Carol A. (Larry) Bunch of Scottsburg and Betty C. Crisp of Galveston, Tex.; her sister: Fredda M. Burns of Austin; 16 grandchildren, nine great grandchildren and five great great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband: Robert Akemon; her sisters: Betty Jane Gibson, Dorothy Mullins, Evelyn Henson, Hazel Robinson and Carlie Holland; and her brother: William L. Combs.

Funeral services will be held at 11 am on Thursday, February 13, 2013 at Collins Funeral Home. Burial will follow at Scaffold Lick Cemetery in Blocher, Ind.

Visitation will take place from 4 to 8 pm on Wednesday, February 12, and from 9 am until the time of services on Thursday.

WALTER F. "BUD" NICHOLSON, 94, Borden, died Monday, February 11, 2013 at the Autumn Woods Health Campus in New Albany.

He was born on May 31, 1918 to Clyde and Katie Fisher Nicholson.

Survivors include his daughters: Barbara (Dan) Callahan and Brenda Nicholson, both of Borden, and Kimberly (Harry) Richmond of Indianapolis. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife: Grayce Martin Nicholson; and his brothers: Elmo and Harold "Pat" Nicholson.

Funeral services will be held at 11 am on Friday, February 15, 2013 at Borden Church of Christ. Burial will follow at Pleasant Ridge Cemetery near Borden.

Visitation will take place at Hughes-Taylor Funeral Home from 9am until the time of services on Friday.

Memorial contributions may be made to Borden Church of Christ or the Pleasant Ridge Cemetery Association.

ANNA MARGARET MCCORMICK MEFFORD, 86, Madison, died Tuesday, February 12, 2013 at King's Daughters' Hospital.

She was born on May 7, 1926 in Owenton, Ky. to John William and Bertha Thompson McCormick. She was retired from Reliance Electric in Madison. She was a member of the Hanover Order of the Eastern Star Chapter No. 525, the Bunco Card Club and Lancaster Baptist Church.

Survivors include her daughters: Linda Carol Vance of Madison, Nancy K. (Kenneth) Williams of Carrollton, Ky., and Marcia Ann (Greg) Miladinov of Cincinnati, Oh.; her sons: Hubert J. (Judy) Mefford and Phillip W. (Natalie) Mefford, both of Madison, and Gary Lee (Shannon) Mefford of Washington, Ind.; her daughter-in-law: Susie Mefford of Madison; her sisters: Thelma Bettis of Florence, Ky., Brenda (Everett) Robinson of Dunnellon, Fla., Jean Carolyn (Benny) McQueen of Sand Gap, Ky., and Patricia (James) Godman of Clavrack, N.Y.; 31 grandchildren, several great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews and other relatives.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband: John Brad "J.B." Mefford, Sr.; her son: John Brad "Johnny" Mefford, Jr.; her granddaughters: Jessica "Jessy" and Lisa Carol Mefford; and her sister: Eva McCormick.

Funeral services will be held at 11 am on Saturday, February 16, 2013 at Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre. Burial will follow Dupont Cemetery.

Visitation will take place at the funeral home from 4 to 8 pm on Friday, February 15, and from 9 am until the time of services on Saturday.

The family requests memorial contributions be made to the Alzheimer's Association.

MEARL E. BERNA, 82, Scottsburg, died Monday, February 11, 2013 at his residence. He was born on July 6, 1930 in Scott County to the late Mearl D. and Alta Gladden Berna. He was a retired lab technician for the old Speed Cement Company (Essroc) in Speed, Ind., the former owner and operator of the old General Store (now LeRoy's Grocery) in Lexington, and former owner and operator of the old Berna Trading Post, where he was a Distributor and sold Oliver Tractor and Bush Hogs. He was also a U.S. Army veteran of the Korean War. Survivors include his sons: Mearl G. and Andrew F. Berna, both of Scottsburg, and Larry A. (Lynn) Berna of New Carisle, Oh.; his daughters: Mary E. Jones, Florence I. (Bill) Burton and Karen A. Deaton, all of Scottsburg; 12 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren and seven great-great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents and his brothers: Robert and James Berna. Funeral services will be held at 2 pm on Saturday, February 16, 2013 at Collins Funeral Home. Burial will follow in Lexington Cemetery. Visitation will take place from 11 am until the time of services on Saturday.

VERNON FRANK "BUCK" LORENZ, 71, Charlestown, died Tuesday, February 12, 2013 at Clark Memorial Hospital. He was born on February 8, 1942 in Floyd County to Frank and LaVeran Lovins Lorenz. He was a retired truck driver for Marathon Oil Company, a member of the New Washington Masonic Lodge #167 and a member of the Hibernia Christian Church. Survivors include his wife: Linda Abney Lorenz; his son: Chris Lorenz (Dianne) of Marietta, Ga.; his daughter: Cheryl Graebe (Don) of Charlestown; his sister: Helen Sneed of Sellersburg; his brother: Larry Lorenz of Spirit Lake, Ida.; and his grandchildren, Alex Head, Cameron Lorenz, MacKenzie Graebe, and Caleb Lorenz. Funeral services will be held on Saturday, February 16, 2013 at 11am at the Grayson Funeral Home in Charlestown, with burial to follow in the Hibernia Cemetery. Visitation will be held on Friday from 3pm to 8pm, and after 9am on Saturday. Masonic services will be held on Friday evening at 7pm at the funeral home.

LOUNELL LYLES, 81, Salem, died Tuesday, February 12, 2013 at Salem Crossing. She was born on October 6, 1931 in Salem to the late Osborne Spurgeon and Murl True Spurgeon. She was a former bookkeeper for the old Day & Lyles Auction Service, the old Ralph Myers Construction Company, the old Spaulding Transfer Company and the old Washington-Scott County Farm Bureau. She was a member of Canton Christian Church. Survivors include her husband: Robert C. "Bob" Lyles; four grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her daughter: Sherry Lyles Hogan; her

brother: Calvin Spurgeon; and her sisters: Maxine Cromer and Marie Benson.

Funeral services will be held at 11 am on Friday, February 15, 2013 at Dawalt Funeral Home. Burial will follow at Winslow Cemetery.

Visitation will take place from 4 to 8 pm on Thursday, February 14, and from 9 am until the time of services on Friday.

Memorial contributions may be made to Southern Care Hospice.

CARL EDWARD ROLL, 60, Salem, died Wednesday, February 13, 2013 at his residence.

He was born on June 1, 1952 in Hardinsburg to the late Bufford and Charlene Rowland Roll. He was a former employee of the old Smith Cabinet Manufacturing Company in Salem and a member of the Salem American Legion Cecil Grimes Post #41 and Crossroads Baptist Church. Survivors include his wife: Lisa F. Alexander Roll; his daughter: Lisa (Rodney) Bruce of Borden; his sons: Jared and Jeremy (Media) Clark, both of Salem; his brother: Ronald Roll of Salem; his sister: Patsy Nolan of Salem; and five grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his granddaughter: Gracie Ann Bruce; and his sister: Pauletta Medlock.

Funeral services will be held at 11 am on Saturday, February 16, 2013 at Dawalt Funeral Home. Burial will follow at Crown Hill Cemetery.

Visitation will take place at the funeral home from 4 to 8 pm on Friday, February 15, and from 9 am until the time of services on Saturday.

TROY LEE PUMPHREY, 22, Salem, died Monday, February 11, 2013.

He was born April 17, 1990 in Salem to Virgil and Brenda Kay Davidson Pumphrey. He was a former employee of Tumbleweed and McDonald's.

Survivors include his father; his brothers: Josh Catlett of Bronson, Fla., Justin Pumphrey of Salem and Shawn Pumphrey of Ruskin, Fla.; his sisters: Tammy Ross of Ruskin and Candy Curtley of Brownwood, Tex.; and his grandparents: Ova Davidson, Verta Sullivan and Anna Mae Pumphrey, all of Salem. He was preceded in death by his mother; his nephew: Joshua Ian Catlett; and his grandfather: Elvin Pumphrey.

Funeral services will be held at 11 am on Saturday, February 16, 2013 at Weathers Funeral Home. Burial will follow in Walnut Ridge Cemetery.

Visitation will take place from 4 to 8 pm on Friday, February 15, and from 9 am until the time of services on Saturday.

Memorial contributions may be made to the family to help with expenses at any PNC Bank branch. The account is listed as Justin L. Pumphrey for Troy Pumphrey Benefits.

CAROLYN J. FOGLE MCPHILLIPS, 80, New Albany, formerly of Louisville, died Wednesday, February 13, 2013 at Mercy-Providence Retirement Home.

She was born on August 2, 1932 to the late Francis O. and Elizabeth L. Gilkey Fogle. She retired as a chief clerk for ICI America's. Carolyn was a member of Holy Family Catholic Church, an associate member of Our Lady Catholic Church (Good Shepherd) in Louisville, and a lifetime member of the Ladies Auxiliary VFW Post 1693 Hobart Beach.

Survivors include her son: Francis O. McPhillips (Cindy); her grandson: Patrick McPhillips; and her sisters, Lois Erwin and Frances Oleta Williams. She was preceded in death by her husband: James Patrick McPhillips.

A funeral Mass will be held at 1 pm on Saturday, February 16, 2013 at Holy Family Catholic Church. Burial will follow at Most Precious Blood Catholic Cemetery in New Middletown, Ind. Visitation will take place at Newcomer Funeral Home from 2 to 8 pm on Friday, February 15, and from 11 am until the time of services on Saturday.

Memorial contributions may be made to Holy Family Catholic Church or to the Most Precious Blood Cemetery Fund.

MORRIS R. STEPHENSON, 91, Salem, died Wednesday, February 13, 2013 at St. Vincent Hospital.

He was born on November 27, 1921 in Washington County to William "Ted" and Cora Grace Chastain Stephenson. He was a retired farmer and a former taxidermist in Crescent City, Fla. He was a member of Mt. Tabor Christian Church.

Survivors include his wife: Marietta Oliver Stephenson; his son: Jack Reid Stephenson of Salem; his brother: Melvin Stephenson of Salem; his sister: Carolyn Hutton of Salem; his grandchildren: Sandra Beams and Reid Stephenson; and four great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents; his brother: Nelson Stephenson; his sister: Tharon Short and his great-granddaughter: Tiffany Smith.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 am on Monday, February 18, 2013 at Weathers Funeral Home. Burial will follow in Mt. Tabor Cemetery.

Visitation will be held from 4 to 8 pm on Sunday, February 17, and from 9 am until the time of services on Monday.

OSA D. HARRIS, 88, Salem, died Friday, February 15, 2013 at the home of her daughter.

She was born on April 7, 1924 in Edmonson, Ky. to Frank and Rose White Higgs. She was a homemaker and a member of Cub Creek Baptist Church in Brownsville, Ky.

Survivors include her sons: Richard Harris of La Jolla, Calif., Randall Harris of Bear, Del., Charles Harris of Columbus and Regnal E. Harris, Jr., of Salem; her daughters: Helen Collier, Patricia Wells and Sharon Fleming, all of Salem, and Mary Cooper of Vallonia; 15 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband: Regnal Harris; her daughter: Martha Ellen Miller; four brothers, six sisters, a grandson and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 10 am on Tuesday, February 19, 2013 at Weathers Funeral Home. Burial will follow in Mt. Zion Cemetery.

Visitation will take place from 5 to 8 pm on Monday, February 17, and from 9 am until the time of services on Tuesday.

GREGORY A. "WEENIE" ST. CLAIR, 49, Scottsburg, died Sunday, February 17, 2013 at Floyd Memorial Hospital.

He was born on March 30, 1963 in Jeffersonville to the late Clyde E. and JoAnn Robbins St. Clair. He was a forklift operator for Morgan Foods in Austin, a former machinist for the old King Machine in Scottsburg and a member of the Moose Family Center #2324.

Survivors include his sister, Rebecca E. (Mike) Helton of Scottsburg, Indiana; his nieces: Amanda Roberts, Samantha Howden, Jerica and Jayla Helton; and his nephew: Ross St. Clair. He was preceded in death by his parents; his brother: Raymond St. Clair; and his sister: Beverly K. Judge.

Funeral services will be held at 7 pm on Tuesday, February 19, 2013 at Collins Funeral Home.

Cremation and a private burial service will follow in Scottsburg Cemetery at a later date.

Visitation will take place from 2 pm until the time of services on Tuesday.

Memorial contributions may be made to Mooseheart c/o Collins Funeral Home.

NAOMI ELIZABETH MONTGOMERY, 88, Madison, died Sunday, February 17, 2013 at King's Daughters' Hospital.

She was born on July 29, 1924 in Clark County to Joe and Lura Haycox Tucker. She was a member of the New Prospect Baptist Church.

Survivors include her daughter: Nancy Montgomery (Mike) of Mason, Oh.; her son; Donald Montgomery of Seymour; her grandchildren: Cathy Moore of Jeffersonville, Rick Montgomery of Indianapolis, Todd Montgomery of Mason and Jamey Tucker of Denver, Colo.; and her great-grandchildren: Kendall and Kora Miller of Denver, Alex Moore of China and Josh Goode of New Albany. She was preceded in death by her husband: Joe Montgomery; her brothers:

Charlie, Burt, Roy, Ott and Tom Tucker; and her sisters: Loretta, Thelma, Lola, Della and Myrtle. Funeral services will be held at 11 am on Wednesday, February 20, 2013 at Grayson Funeral Home. Burial will follow in New Prospect Cemetery.

Visitation will take place from 4 to 8 pm on Tuesday, February 19, and from 9 am until the time of services on Wednesday.

LAWRENCE CLAUDE “LARRY” SCHRYER, 61, Austin, died Friday, February 15, 2013 at his residence.

He was born on March 21, 1951 in Seymour to the late Calvin and LaDonna Cochran Scheyer. He was an employee of Cummins Engine Company in Columbus and a member of Crossroads Community Church in Elizabeth, Ind. He was also a member of the NRA and F.O.P. #156.

Survivors include his sons: Jerry and Jeff Clay, both of Austin, Jimmy Clay of Dallas, Ga. and Brett Schryer, Seymour; his brothers: Brian (Carrie) and Tom (Teresa) and Richard (Chris) Schryer, all of Seymour, Jack (Wendy) Schryer of Freetown, Ind. and Tony Schryer of Hanover; his sisters: Sheryl (Steven) Vance, North Vernon and Alecia (Michael) Franklin of Columbus; his step-father: David Kinsel of Columbus; 16 grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, 13 nieces and nephews, and eight great-nieces and great-nephews. He was preceded in death by his son: Eric Schryer; and his step-mother: Alice Deitz Schryer.

Funeral services were held Monday, February 18, 2013 at Buchanan Funeral Home. Burial followed in New Providence Cemetery.

DONNA J. COX, 62, Scottsburg, died Thursday, February 14, 2013 at Floyd Memorial Hospital. She was born on July 3, 1950 in Scottsburg to the late Lowry, Sr. and Mildred Webber Smith. She was a homemaker and a member of Chelsea Church of God.

Survivors include her husband: Harrison E. Cox; her son: Donald E. (Lisa) Cox of Lexington; her daughter: Diane J. (Danny) Brock of Lexington; her sisters, Dorothy Horine of Sellersburg, Mary Gorman of Columbus and Mildred Thomas of Lexington; her brothers: Ben Smith of Little York, Dale Smith of Georgetown, Ky. and Robert Smith of Lexington; and her grandchildren: Michael E. Cox, Brittney Romero, Cody R., Bryan and Gracey Brock. She was preceded in death by her sister: Margaret Warren; and her brothers: Lowry, Jr., Dean and Charlie Smith.

Funeral services were held Monday, February 18, 2013 at Collins Funeral Home. Burial followed in Lexington Cemetery.

LILLIAN M. HOBBS, 98, died Saturday, February 16, 2013.

She was a charter member of Henryville Church of Christ.

Survivors include her sons: Estel M. Hobbs of Louisville, Dale E. (Rosemarie) Hobbs of Underwood and Wayne S. (Linda) Hobbs of Sellersburg; six grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband: Estel G. Hobbs; and her grandson.

Funeral services will be held at 10 am on Tuesday, February 19, 2013 at Garr Funeral Home. Burial will follow at Walnut Ridge Cemetery in Jeffersonville.

Visitation will take place from 4 to 8 pm on Monday, February 18, and from 9 am until the time of services on Tuesday.

Memorial contributions may be made to Words of Life Radio, P.O. Box 221, Sellersburg, IN 47172.

DRUCELLA JACKSON, 79, Charlestown, died Thursday, February 14, 2013 at Clark Memorial Hospital.

She was born on December 3, 1933 in Barbourville, Ky. to Jim and Nellie Powell. She was a member of First Baptist Church in Charlestown.

Survivors include her sons: Doug Jackson of Charlestown, Mike Jackson of Austin and Tony Jackson of New Albany; her daughter: Nellie Melton of Scottsburg; her brothers: Gorman, James, Wendell and David Powell, all of Barbourville, and Jerry Powell of Corbin, Ky.; her sister: Jo Ann Alford of Barbourville; and seven grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Monday, February 18, 2013 at Grayson Funeral Home. Burial followed in Charlestown Cemetery.
