

Obituaries

Norma Alice Burgess

Norma Alice Burgess passed away at 10:03 p.m. on Saturday, December 22, 2018 in Kirby Hospital, Monticello.

The daughter of Robert Chester Kirk and Ola Ellen Foster, Norma was born on May 2, 1924 in Lintner, Illinois, and grew up on the family farm in Milmine, Piatt County, IL, the fourth of five children. She attended Bement High School where she met Robert Harold Burgess, her future husband. They graduated in 1942 and married on June 2, 1943 while Bob was serving in the U. S. Army at Fort Knox, KY. When Bob was discharged from the Army in 1945, he and Norma moved to married student housing at the University of Illinois. After graduation, Bob's career took the couple and their two daughters to New Jersey, Ohio, and back to Illinois. When the girls were grown, Bob and Norma also lived in Missouri, Iowa, and Indiana for a few years. In the 1990s they moved back to Bement, to the farm that has been in the Burgess family since 1868.

A lifelong homemaker, Norma was a kind and intelligent woman who took a lively interest in everyone she met. She read widely, preferring nonfiction to fiction, and followed the news until her death. She loved antiques, gardening, and handwork like quilting and crochet. No matter where they lived, Norma made a warm and beautiful home for her family. She was an exemplary role model for her daughters and a loving grandmother. She will be sorely missed.

Norma was preceded in death by her parents, three brothers, one sister, her husband, and one grandchild.

She is survived by her two daughters, Mary Sue Postlewait of Bement and Jo Burgess of Bloomington, IN; her grandson Eric Conley (wife, Erica) of Cerro Gordo; and her granddaughter Kara Peterka and her two children, Ethan and Makenna, of Mahomet.

Graveside services were held for the family at the Bement Cemetery on December 26, 2018.

Roux-Hinds Funeral Home of Bement was entrusted with arrangements. Memorial donations may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

Robert G. Conlin

Robert G. Conlin, 86 of Arthur, passed away at 8:00 A.M. on Sunday, December 23, 2018 at St. Mary's Hospital in Decatur.

Mass of Christian Burial was held at 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, December 27, 2018 at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Arcola. Father Angel Sierra officiated. Burial with Military Rites was in the Arcola Cemetery. Visitation was held from 5:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. on Wednesday, December 26, 2018 at St John the Baptist Catholic Church in Arcola. A Rosary Service was held at



7:45 P.M. on Wednesday at the church. The Edwards Funeral Home is assisting with arrangements.

Robert was born on December 17, 1932 at home in Arthur. He was a son of John A. and Zoe (Kellems) Conlin. He married Barbara Jane VonLanken on June 5, 1954 in Arthur. She passed away on February 27, 2012.

Surviving are five children, Patricia Yoder and her husband Larry of Sullivan, Robert Conlin Jr. of Canton, MI, John Conlin of Venice, FL, Alan Conlin and his wife Deonaha of Virginia Beach, VA and Michael Conlin and his wife Vickie of Champaign. Also surviving are six grandchildren Greg Yoder and his wife Jennifer of Sullivan, Eric Yoder of New York City, NY, Adam Yoder and his wife Hayley of Savoy, Curtis Yoder and his wife Kaylee of Shelbyville, Cody Drew Conlin of Venice, FL and Andrew Michael Conlin of Champaign; five great-grandchildren, Noah, Levi, Lexi, Collin and Everly and one brother, Al Conlin of Chula Vista, CA.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Barbara, one sister and two brothers.

Robert was a 1950 graduate of Arthur High School. He was an Army Veteran. He lived his entire life in the house he was born in, except for the time he spent in the Army. He retired from USI in 1992 with 33 years of service and all the while he farmed the family farm.

Robert was a member of St John the Baptist Catholic Church in Arcola, where he served as Head Usher for 30 years. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus, the Arthur Lions Club and the Arthur American Legion Post 0479.

Robert truly enjoyed serving his church, his family and his community.

Memorials may be made to St. John's Catholic Church in Arcola or the Arthur Lions Club.

Anthony Raymond "Tony" Roberts

Anthony Raymond "Tony" Roberts, 57, of Tuscola, passed away at 4:30 P.M. on Tuesday, December 25, 2018 at his residence.

Tony was born on November 15, 1961 in Paris. He was a son of Jack Edward and Ruby Mae (Duvall) Roberts. He married Laurie Lansing on February 14, 2008 in Largo, FL.

Survivors include his mother, Ruby Roberts-Pangburn and her husband Charles of Mattoon, one brother, Gregory Thomas Roberts of Pinellas Park, FL, his uncle, Tom Roberts of Corona, CA, and his wife, Laurie Roberts of Eldorado, KS.

He was preceded in death by his father, Jack Edward Roberts and his grandparents.

Tony was a 1981 graduate of Tuscola High School.

Tony has driven a semi since 1996. Having worked for McLane Trucking out of Danville, MBM Trucking out of Lakeland, FL, and most recently for Liquid Transport out of Tuscola.

To honor Tony's wishes, no formal services will be held. The Edwards Funeral Home is assisting the family.



Ronin Daniel (Bubby) Smalley

Ronin Daniel (Bubby) Smalley, 13 months old, passed away Wednesday, December 19, 2018.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, December 26, 2018, at Brintlinger and Earl Funeral Home, Cerro Gordo, with visitation one hour prior to service time at the funeral home. Burial was in Cerro Gordo Cemetery, Cerro Gordo.

Memorials may be made in c/o Lainy Jackson, to go towards the care of Zoey and Emmaka Smith.

Ronin was born October 26, 2017, in Decatur, the son of Blake and Lainy (Jackson) Smalley.

He is survived by his parents and sisters Zoey and Emmaka, all of Cerro Gordo; maternal grandparents Danny (Michelle) Jackson of Cerro Gordo; paternal grandparents David (Penny) Smalley of Cerro Gordo and Debra Ryan of Bethany; aunts Chelsey (Chris) Croslow of Tuscola, Nicole Smalley of Mt. Zion, Holly & Joe Gagnon of Decatur; uncle Kyle Ryan of Decatur.

Condolences and memories may be shared with the family in care of Brintlinger and Earl Funeral Homes at www.brintlingerandearl.com.



Harold Lee White Sr.

Harold Lee White Sr., 80, of Mattoon, passed away at 1:45 A.M. on Tuesday, December 25, 2018 at Mattoon Rehab and Health Care Center.

Harold was born on March 7, 1938 in Matteson. He was a son of Ruben and Devona (Childress) White. He married Donna Sue Woodard on April 15, 1993 in Elgin.

Survivors include his wife, Donna White of Mattoon; two sons, Jerry White and his wife Tina of Neoga, and Jesse White of Mattoon; two step children, Jeremy Hinds and his wife Heidi of Villa Grove and Cindy Wiltermood of Mattoon, eleven grandchildren, Micheal, Jerry, Brandt, Morgan, Collin, Madison, Kennedy, Grace, Xavier, Xander and Skylar; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, on son, Harold White Jr.; one brother, Tony White, and one sister, Hazel Evans.

Harold was a member of the Arcola Free Methodist Church.

Harold retired from Mattoon Township in 2000 with over 18 years of service. After he retired, he plowed snow for Illinois Department of Transportation.

Harold never met a stranger and was loved by all that knew him. He especially loved God, his friends and the staff at Mattoon Health Care. Harold will be missed by all.

A memorial service will be held at a later date. The Edwards Funeral Home is assisting the family.



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Area Church Directory - Attend the Church of your choice

LIFEPOINTE CHURCH - 700 E. Main, Arcola. Ph. 217-268-4586. Nondenominational, Spirit-Filled Church. Pastor Henry Schrock - 217-246-0104. Sunday Worship Service: 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.; Pastor Rogelio Gutierrez - Spanish Church, Sunday Worship Service 11:00 a.m.; Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.; Friday Service 7:00 p.m.

ARTHUR UNITED METHODIST - 128 E. Illinois, 543-3159, Dial-A-Devotion, 543-3711. Rev. Bruce Weiman. Informal worship, 8:00 a.m.; Fellowship time, 9:00 a.m.; Sunday School, 9:15 a.m.; Worship, 10:30 a.m. Web site: <http://arthurunitedmethodist.org/>

ARTHUR SOUTHERN BAPTIST - 530 N. Vine St., Arthur, 543-2672. Doug Davis, Pastor. Morning Worship, 10:00 a.m.; Children's Church, every Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m.; Nursery provided. Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m., Wednesday Service 7:00 p.m. Everyone is invited.

FIRST APOSTOLIC CHURCH - 721 E. Illinois, Arthur, 543-3024. Rev. Timothy Froese, Minister. Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10:45 a.m.; Evening Evangelistic, 6:00 p.m. Family Night, Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF ATWOOD - 231 N. Illinois, 578-2555. Lanny Faulkner, Pastor. Sunday School, 9:00 a.m., Morning Worship, 10:00 a.m., Youth 5:07 p.m., Discipleship Class 6:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study, Tuesday 9:00 a.m.; AWANA Children's Ministry Wednesday, 6:30-8:00 p.m. Child care provided at all services. Visit our website www.aplacetothrive.org

LAKE FORK UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST - 3 miles north of Atwood, 578-2706. Sunday Worship, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m. Bible Study, 6:00 p.m. Thursday; Men's Fellowship, 7:00 p.m., 1st Wednesday; Women's Fellowship 1:30 p.m., 1st Tuesday.

ATWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH - 229 S. Main, Atwood, 578-2880. Pastor Don Gerkin. Bible Class, 9:00 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:15 a.m.

UNITED CHURCH OF ATWOOD - 210 N. Main, Atwood, 578-2832. Pastor Mike Drake. Sunday School, 9:00 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:15 a.m. Nursery provided.

ZION UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST - Rev. Dennis Gartung. 2 1/2 miles south of Garrett. 578-2203. Church Worship, 9:00 a.m., Sunday School, 10:15 a.m.

BEMENT BAPTIST CHURCH - 748 S. Macon, 678-8155. Rev. Pat Tieman. Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 10:30 a.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.

ST. MICHAEL'S CATHOLIC CHURCH - 332 S. Macon, Bement. 762-2566. Rev. Bruce Lopez. Sunday Mass, 7:30 a.m.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH - (Disciples of Christ). Corner of Wing and Piatt, Bement. 678-3035. Pastor Tim Davis. Church School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.

BEMENT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - 249 N. Piatt, Bement. 678-2461. James Fielder, Pastor. Sunday School, 9:00 a.m.; Worship, 10:00 a.m.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH - 249 N. Macon, P.O. Box 125, Bement. 678-4491. Rev. Marsha Frederick. Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 10:30 a.m.

CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN - 102 E. Durfee, Cerro Gordo, Brick church on the corner of Jefferson and Durfee, 763-8641. Tim Laird, Pastor. Sundays - Sunday School for all ages 9:00 a.m.; Worship Service (nursery provided) at 10:00 a.m. Check us out at www.cerrogordocob.com

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - 104 E. Carter, Cerro Gordo. 763-8411. Rev. Jim Allison. Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 10:30 a.m. Nursery provided.

BRETHREN CHURCH - 209 S. Jefferson, Cerro Gordo. 763-3481. Pastor Terry Leach. Preaching God's Word. **Sunday:** Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 10:30 a.m.; Afterglow with meal and fellowship following morning service; Sunday evening services, 6:00 p.m. **Wednesday:** 7:00 p.m. Bible Study and prayer, 8:15 p.m. Choir practice. Come worship with us at the "Little White Church" where you will feel like you belong.

GALILEE BAPTIST CHURCH - located at 3470 Christmas Tree Road in Decatur, off of Reas Bridge Road behind Richland College. Senior Pastor Dr. Joey Krol. Sunday School, 9:00 a.m. and Worship 10:00 a.m. We have Family Night Bible Study at 6:30 p.m.

HAMMOND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - 3rd & D Street, Pastor Jim Allison, 262-3386. Morning Worship, 9:00 a.m.; Sunday School 10:00 a.m.; Bible Study & Meal Wednesday, 7:00 p.m., with meal at 6:00 p.m.

HAMMOND CHURCH OF CHRIST - Bible Study, 10:00 a.m.; Worship, 10:45 a.m.

MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH OF HAMMOND - Pastor Glenn Baker. Worship Service 8:30 a.m., Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Midweek, Thursday, 7:00 p.m.

SAINT JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH - Ivesdale. Rev. Patrick Riordan in Residence - St. Patrick's, Tolono, 217-485-5194. Masses: Sunday, 8:00 a.m.; Wednesday, 5:30 p.m., Friday, 8:00 a.m.

LAPLACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - Pastors Larry Bricker and Jim Allison. Sunday Worship, 9:00 a.m.

PRAIRIE VIEW BAPTIST CHURCH - 2423 CR 500 E, Lake City, IL 61937. Phone (217) 873-2464. Nursery available for all services. Sunday School for K4-Adults 9:30 a.m. Worship and Children's Church 10:30 a.m. Sunday evening services 6:30 p.m. Wednesday night Bible Study 7 p.m. with Flyer's Club (K4-1st Grade), King's Kids (2nd-6th Grade) and Teens (7th-12th Grade) every Wednesday (Sept.-May). Email: info@prairieviewbaptistchurch.com Website: www.prairieviewbaptist.com

CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN - LaPlace, 677-2120. Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Worship, 10:30 a.m.

LODGE CHURCH OF GOD - Lodge. Pastor Wes Cornwell. Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 10:30 a.m.; Evening Service, 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday Service, 7:00 p.m.

FAITH FAMILY FELLOWSHIP- 228 N. Broadway St., Lovington. 873-8791. Pastor Matthew Perkins. "Real Faith, Real Life". Sunday Service 10:00 a.m. Wednesday Midweek 6:30 p.m. Thursday Impact Youth 6:30 p.m. www.lovingtonfaith.org.

OPEN HEARTS FOURSQUARE CHURCH - North Side of the Bridge Street Exit Off I-72, Monticello, 762-4455. Sunday Worship, 9:30 a.m.; Wednesday, 6:45 p.m.

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH - Bridge at Foothill Road, (P.O. Box 403) Monticello. 762-2988. Sunday, Bible Study 9:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m.; Wednesday, Fellowship Supper, 6:00 p.m., Youth Group 6:45 p.m., Children's Classes and Adult Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

CROSSROADS CHURCH OF MONTICELLO - www.ccwired.org. 1602 N 1125 East Road, Monticello (about a mile east of the Monticello Middle School.) Sunday services at 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH - 779 E Old Route 47, Monticello IL 61856. Sunday Morning Service 9:00 am. Sunday School 10:15 Fall - Spring. "On The Way" Devotional Podcast Available. Rev. Micah Garnett. 217-762-5826 www.christlutheran-monticello.com Nursery available and handicap accessible.

OAKLEY BRICK CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN - 10344 Cerro Gordo Blacktop, Oakley, IL 62501. 763-6500. Rev. David Roe. Children and Adult Sunday School 9:00 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship Service Adults & Jr., 10:00 a.m.; Adult Bible Study, Monday 1:30 p.m. and Wednesday 6:30 p.m. Prayer Walk 6:00 p.m. Tuesday.

FAITH LUTHERAN - Rt. 32, 1 mile south of Sullivan, 728-7711. Glenn Strohschein, Pastor. Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Sunday morning service 10:00 a.m. Saturday services 5:00 p.m. Online services: www.worshipanew.com

FAITH BAPTIST CHURCH - 215 E. Pembroke, Tuscola. 253-2084. Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Morning Service, 10:30 a.m.; Evening, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. www.faithtuscola.org

EAGLE MOUNTAIN ASSEMBLY OF GOD - 401 E. Sale Street, Tuscola, 253-4444. Pastor Darin Elder. Sunday Morning Worship and Children's Church, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday Evening Worship and Sunday School and Youth Groups, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday Services, 6:30 p.m. Nursery provided all services.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN - 600 E. Northline Rd., Tuscola, 253-4341. Rev. Jason Braaten. Saturday Evening, 5:30 p.m.; Sunday Worship, 9:00 a.m.; Sunday School and Bible Class, 10:15 a.m.