

Obituaries

Robert Wendell Ellison

Robert Wendell Ellison, 91, passed away peacefully the morning of January 26, 2019 in Bluffton, South Carolina.

Bob was born on November 14, 1927, in Lake City, Illinois, the son of Walter and Effie Mae Honn Ellison. He married the love of his life, Flossie Alcorn, on October 14, 1949. They celebrated sixty-eight years of marriage before she passed away in 2017.

Bob was always proud of a hard-day's work; he worked as a Sales Manager for Progress Industries in Arthur for many years. Additionally, Bob was mayor of Arthur from 1973-75 and was a life member of the Arthur Masonic Lodge #825. He and his family enjoyed many fun-filled happy years in Arthur. Eventually he relocated his family to Columbus, Ohio, to run C.H. Bradshaw. Upon his retirement, Bob refused to slow down, moving throughout the United States and enjoying his final days in South Carolina with the sunshine and warm weather. He loved to spend time with family, laugh with friends, travel the world, and play golf. He will be truly missed by many.

Bob is preceded in death by his parents, Walter and Effie Mae Ellison; his wife, Flossie Ellison; his siblings, Mae Aikman, Ruth Daily Aikman, Ralph, Guy, Floyd, Warren, and Clifford Ellison, Betty Zellers Belt; and his granddaughter, Molly Ulmer. He is survived by his daughters, Debbie (Greg) Cribbet, Diane Ellison, Leann (Dave) Ulmer; grandchildren, Matt Cribbet (Jenny Cundiff), Tim Cribbet, Elizabeth (Andrew) Page, Meredith Ulmer (Andrew Pea); great grandchildren, Anderson Robert Pea, and Emma Grace Cundiff Cribbet.

Visitation will be held from 5:00-7:00 p.m. Wednesday, January 30, 2019 at Shrader Funeral Home, 431 S. Vine Street, Arthur, with Masonic Rites at 7:00 p.m. Funeral service will be held at 11:00 a.m. Thursday, January 31, 2019 at the Vine Street Christian Church in Arthur with Pastor Bob Silvanik officiating. Burial will follow in the Arthur Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to the Vine Street Christian Church, 249 S. Vine Street, Arthur, IL 61911.

Online condolences to the family may be sent to www.hilligossshraderfh.com.

Mattie Jeanette Erkman

Mattie Jeanette Erkman, 78, died peacefully in her sleep on Saturday, January 19, 2019 at Imboden Creek Living Center. Graveside services were held Wednesday, January 23, 2019 at 1:00 pm at Keller Cemetery; Lovington.

Jeanette was born March 2, 1940 in Lovington, to Cecil (Wells) and Martin Mansfield. Jeanette was a graduate of Cerro Gordo High School and retiree from Fire-



stone in Decatur.

Jeanette enjoyed cooking, gardening and crossword puzzles. She often talked about the bus trips she and her Mom took in their earlier years as she treasured those memories. Jeanette developed Multiple Sclerosis, MS early in life, yet she was a warrior and was determined to maintain her independence. Jeanette was fortunate to have incredible neighbors in Rick and Renee Bebee. Their watchful eye and friendship allowed her to remain in her home for many years.

A sincere appreciation to the following: Imboden Creek Living Center and the entire staff for their love and compassion. Dr. Anthony McCormack and Dr. Douglas Dove. A special thanks to Susie Brinkoetter Bird, her friend and caregiver over the past 7 years, and especially Pat Maxwell and the entire team of Caregivers at Angels Among Us Senior Home Care. Jeanette made many dear friends during her stay at Imboden, but her dearest friends were Sara and Luella.

Jeanette is survived by her brother Martin (Jean) Mansfield of Springfield, granddaughters Amber Johnson of Decatur, and Katy Crawford of South Carolina, several great grandchildren and cousins. Jeanette was preceded in death by her parents, husband, Herman L. Erkman and son, William (Bill) Johnson.

Memorials can be made to the Multiple Sclerosis Society in Jeanette's name or the donor's choice.

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

Gerald Dean "Gip" Gillespie

Gerald Dean "Gip" Gillespie, 83, of Bement, passed away at 11:08 a.m., January 24, 2019 at the Champaign-Urbana Rehab Center, Savoy.

Gip was born September 24, 1935 in Champaign, the son of Dean and Clara (Allison) Gillespie. He married Helen McKee on September 24, 1989 in Las Vegas, NV.

Gip is survived by his wife, Helen Gillespie of Bement; son, Timothy Dean Gillespie of Garrett; daughters, Terresa Lynn Gillespie of Monticello, Ashley Denise Magos of Urbana; stepdaughter, Sheri Robeck of Mahomet; 7 grandchildren, 4 great grandchildren, and sister, Gwen Thompson of Florida. He was preceded in death by his parents, sons Tony and Teddy, stepson David, and grandson Josh.

Gip retired as a maintenance supervisor at General Cable. Gip served in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict and was a member of the Albert Parker American Legion Post #620. Gip enjoyed hunting, guns, fishing, camping, traveling and was a St. Louis Cardinals and Chicago Bears fan.

A visitation will be held from 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 30, 2019 at the Mackey-Wright Funeral Home, Monticello. Funeral service will be held at 12:00 p.m., Thursday, January 31, 2019 at the Mackey-Wright Funeral Home with Pat Tieman officiating. Interment will be held in Bement Township Cemetery. Casual dress is requested by the family.

Memorials may be made to the Albert Parker American Legion Post #620.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.mackeywrightfuneralhome.com

Amzy D. Miller

Amzy D. Miller, 78, of Sullivan, passed away at 7:43 P.M. on Monday, January 21, 2019 at Decatur Memorial Hospital.

Funeral services was held at 9:00 A.M. on Friday, Janu-

ary 25, 2019 at the HCK West Building, one mile south of Arthur. Bishop Harvey Chupp officiated. Burial was in the Otto Cemetery in rural Arthur. Visitation was held anytime after 5:00 P.M. on Wednesday, January 23, 2019 and anytime after 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, January 24, 2019 at the HCK West Building. The Edwards Funeral Home assisted with arrangements.

Amzy was born on January 13, 1941 in Moultrie County, IL. He was a son of Dan A. and Lena M. (Schrock) Miller. He married Mary M. Yoder on October 1, 1964 in Iowa City, IA.

He is survived by his wife, Mary of Sullivan, two children, Carol Renee Stutzman and her husband Paul of Arthur, and Darrell Eugene Miller of Sullivan; three grandchildren, Jared Amzy, Jaden Marcus and Janae Lynne Stutzman; eight siblings, Anna Miller of Arthur, Menno Miller and his wife Lorene of Arcola, Ervin Miller and his wife Susan of Arthur, Verna Schlabach and her husband Daniel of Atwood, Elmer Miller of Lovington, Willis Miller and his wife Katie, Omer Miller and his wife Nancy and Merle Miller and his wife Jane all of Arthur.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and one sister-in-law Katie Marie (Yoder) Miller.

Amzy was a member of the Old Order Amish Faith.

He liked working with horses and helping at the Tri-County Auction. He truly enjoyed spending time with his family especially his grandchildren.

Christopher T. Schweighart

Christopher T. Schweighart, 40, of Tuscola, passed away at 10:40 p.m., Sunday, January 27, 2019 at the Carle Foundation Hospital, Urbana.

Funeral Services will be held at 10:30 a.m., Friday, February 1, 2019 at the Hilligoss Shrader Funeral Home, 705 South Main Street, Tuscola. Burial will follow in the Tuscola Township Cemetery, Tuscola.

Visitation will be held from 5 to 7 p.m., Thursday, January 31, 2019 at the funeral home.

Chris was born on April 20, 1978 in Urbana, IL, the son of Thomas M. Schweighart and Vicki Harris.

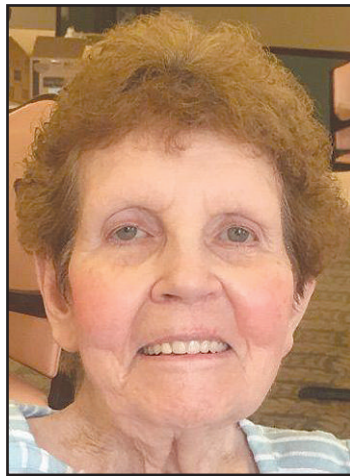
Survivors include his son: David Thomas Schweighart of Tuscola, girlfriend: Sandy Eiben of Tuscola, mother: Vicki Hamilton of TN, maternal grandmother: Ruth Harris of Tuscola, paternal grandmother: Shirley Schweighart of Tuscola, brothers: Joseph (Emily) Schweighart of Atwood, Brandon (Marie) Likens and Matthew Likens both of TN, 3 nieces and 4 nephews, many aunts and uncles.

He was preceded in death by his father and grandfathers: Kenneth Harris and Joseph Schweighart.

Chris was a truck driver. He was a 1997 graduate of Tuscola Community High School. He enjoyed having family cookouts, fishing and hunting.

Memorials may be made to the family.

Online condolences may be shared via www.hilligossshraderfh.com



+ 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 - 320 Surrey Lane, Arthur, 543-3024. Gawain Bevis, Minister. Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Second Service, 11:15 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, Wednesday 6:30 p.m.

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.

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