

Obituaries

Clarence Painter



leen (Hettinger), Clarence was preceded in death by a sister, Anna Markel.

Clarence was well known in the farming community. He farmed in the Pesotum area in the early 1950s and then worked for Verne Reifsteck for several years. He worked for Champaign County Power Equipment and later Birkey's for 36 years. Clarence was the go-to guy when it came to repairing farm equipment and was sometimes the only mechanic that several farmers would allow to work on their equipment. He stayed active farming for the last 10 years, working with his son-in-law, Curt.

He collected Farmall and International Harvester toy tractors and equipment. His hobbies were playing horseshoes, euchre and bowling. During the winter months, he spent his time putting together large jigsaw puzzles of tractors and Christmas scenes.

He was a member of Forty Martyrs Catholic Church in Tuscola and St. Thomas Catholic Church in Philo. Memorials may be made to St. Thomas Grade School, 311 E. Madison St., Philo, IL 61864. Funeral Mass was held Wednesday, April 3, 2019, at St. Thomas Catholic Church, Philo. The Rev. Keith Walder officiated. Burial took place in Calvary Cemetery, Philo. Freese Funeral Home, Sidney, assisted with arrangements

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and an infant brother, and one grandchild, James Eugene Miller.

Jim was a member of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Arcola, IL, and the National Rifle Association.

Jim started his 64-year career in the Automotive Industry when he went to work at Century Motors in Tuscola in 1955. After Century Motors closed, he went to work at the Four Seasons Auto Plaza in Tuscola. Jim was currently working for Napa Auto Parts in Arcola, IL. Jim enjoyed feeding squirrels and birds, gardening and collecting coins.

He was an avid reader and enjoyed sudoku and crossword puzzles. His greatest joy was his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to American Heart Association

Roger Douglas Grace



URBANA — Roger Douglas Grace, a man of discernment and quiet faith, passed away at home Wednesday evening (April 3, 2019).

Services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 13, 2019, at Morgan Memorial Home, Savoy, with Pastor Bill Meier officiating.

Roger was born March 20, 1947, at Burnham City Hospital, Champaign, the son of Lyle and Betty (Shade) Grace. He married Janis "Jan" Meister on Sept. 4, 1982, in Springfield.

Roger is survived by his wife, Jan; daughter, Erin, and her husband, Jason Watson, of Villa Grove; daughter, Katherine, and her husband, Manuel Chavez, of Chicago; and son, Stephen, who is now the sixth generation operating the family farm. Roger adored his grandchildren, Carolina Grace Chavez and Greyson Roger Watson, and was looking forward to the birth of his third grandchild in May. Also surviving are his sister, Barbara (David) Wilson of Bloomington; brother, David of Sidney; and three nephews, Tim Grace, Andy Grace and Eric Wilson.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Gary.

Roger graduated with a B.S. in agricultural economics in 1969 and began working for the Illinois Department of Agriculture in the division of markets. During the oil embargo and fuel shortage of 1973-1974, he worked for the Illinois Energy Office. Roger was charged with allocating fuel to farmers and agribusiness suppliers needed to run their business and continue production. Roger met Jan while she was interning at the Illinois Energy Office during the oil embargo.

Roger began working as a legislative aide to Congressman Ed Madigan and moved to Washington, D.C. He became a staff member on the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Agriculture.

Roger returned to the community to be part of his family's farming business, the fifth generation. He enjoyed studying history and thought the continuity of a family farm is part of that. In finding stone tools on their farm that were left behind by past inhabitants, some dating back 400-8,000 years, he was reminded that we are only short-term users of the land. He realized and lived the importance of sustaining the land, as well as sustaining an economically viable business for future

Letter to the Editor

Well I guess I knew better than to think the mayor and alderman would fulfill their obligations. The ordinance they made for no trailers, campers, etc. to be parked on city property should be enforced. Its been six months now since I got a notice to remove my small trailer. The mayor promised me there would be no exceptions, but guess what? There are still many large campers, trailers and boats parked on city property just like mine was parked. I'm still paying \$40.00 a month for storage. The local police departments job is to enforce the ordinance

and it's the mayor's job to see that they do. If the mayor and city council are not going to enforce the ordinance then they should make an amendment to restrict trailers, campers etc. from within a block of downtown, which was the problem to begin with. Come election time I think the people should look long and hard for someone who will lead the people of this town in the right direction, that is thinking of the people instead of making hasty ordinances that the majority of the people don't want. Don Russell



1 Peter 4:7-11 Good News Translation (GNT)
 Good Managers of God's Gifts 7 The end of all things is near. You must be self-controlled and alert, to be able to pray. 8 Above everything, love one another earnestly, because love covers over many sins. 9 Open your homes to each other without complaining. 10 Each one, as a good manager of God's different gifts, must use for the good of others the special gift he has received from God. 11 Those who preach must preach God's messages; those who serve must serve with the strength that God gives them, so that in all things praise may be given to God through Jesus Christ, to whom belong glory and power forever and ever. Amen.

Incident Report

The following is Villa Grove Police Activity for March 24-30:
 Juvenile-1
 Verbal Warnings-1
 Written Warnings-6
 Preserve the Peace-1
 Assist Douglas County Sheriff's Office-5
 Assist Arthur Police Department-1
 Assist Villa Grove Arrow-1
 Assist Villa Grove Fire Department-1
 Welfare Check-2

Civil-1
 Mental Subject-1
 Ordinance Violations-5
 Unsecured Business-1
 Motorist Assist-1
 Harassment by Telephone-1
 Activated Alarm-1
 Warrant Arrest-1
 VG POLICE
 1020 N. Sycamore PO Box 133
 Villa Grove IL 61956
 Emergency: 217-832-2511
 Non-Emergency:
 217-832-2521 Fax: 217-832-9723
 Dennis W. Gire, Chief of Police

Villa Grove BINGO
 Every Friday Night
 VFW post 2876

6:30 pm- Early Bird
 7:00 pm- Regular Bingo

This Weeks Jackpots:
 Egg in a Basket Raffle \$2000
 Blackout Jackpot \$725

Bingo Lic# B1934
 Pull Tab Lic# P-48

HELP WANTED
Lincoln Street Lounge
Broadlands
Bartender and Waitress
 Call 834-3010
 Leave Name and Number

Menus

Villa Grove Peace Meal
April 15 - April 19
Monday: Beef Stroganoff, Italian Mix Veggies, Tomatoes&Zucchini, Bread, Fruit Juick
Tuesday: Stuffed Chicken Breast, Potato Casserole, Seasoned Greens, Roll, Spiced Apple Rings
Wednesday: Pork Tenderloin Sandwich, Baked Beans, Midori Veggies, Bun, Pears
Thursday: Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy, Wheat Bread, Seasonal Dessert
Friday: Closed for Good Friday Holiday
For Reservations Call at 832-9445
 Skim milk and desserts with no sugar added are available in many locations. Ask the Site Supervisor for information. Sometimes we need to substitute our menus. We still guarantee a nutritious meal. The Peace Meal Senior Nutrition Program suggests a donation of \$3.50 for each congregate and home delivered meal. No older person shall be denied a meal because of their inability to contribute towards the cost of the meal. We accept Illinois Link Card.

Villa Grove School Menu April 15-19

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| 15 Breakfast: Breakfast Burrito Lunch: Fish Sticks WG Bread Baked Beans Cole Slaw Applesauce | 16 Breakfast: Strawberry Cream Cheese Bagel Or Cinn. Roll Lunch: Corn Dog Green Beans 100% Juice Cookie | 17 Breakfast: WG Biscuit And Sausage Gravy Or WG Donuts Lunch: Pep Calzone Marinara Sauce Carrot Sticks Apple | 18 Breakfast: No School | 19 |
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