

Obituaries

Madonna "Donna" Best Helregel

PESOTUM — Madonna "Donna" Best Helregel, formerly of Pesotum, passed away Monday (April 29, 2019) at Oregon Living and Rehab Center, Oregon, Ill.

Donna was born Jan. 22, 1934, on the family farm in rural Tolono, the oldest of four daughters of Elmer Best and Alfretta Magsamen Best. Donna attended St. Mary's Grade School and graduated from Villa Grove High School.

Donna worked for Illini Electric before marrying Red Helregel of Ste. Marie, Ill., on Sept. 27, 1952, at St. Mary's Church, Pesotum. She later worked for the U.S. Department of Agriculture for several years, as well as assisting Red on the family farm. Together, she and Red farmed for over 36 years and raised three children.

Donna enjoyed traveling, gardening, farming, serving on the St. Anne's Sodality in numerous roles and committees, quilting, baking and visiting her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was proud of their accomplishments and often "said a rosary" for them. Her home was admired for her beautiful flowers and landscaping.

Maureen Ann Smalley

Maureen Ann Smalley Martinie formerly of Champaign Illinois, passed away May 9th 2019 in Woodbridge VA. She was preceded in death by her husband Galen "Marty" Martinie. She is survived by her children Michael Martinie, Marcia Martinie-Wieduwilt (Scott), and Michelle Martinie-Deisenroth (Chris); Grandchildren, Amanda Wieduwilt, Nicole Wieduwilt-Di-Taranto (Alex),

Donna is survived by her daughters, Marcy (Don) Billington and Vicki (Stan) Lengerich; her sisters, Janice (Bud) Schultz, JoAnn Schmidt and Cindy (Alan) Bender; six grandchildren, Stacey (David), Paige (Pat), Kevin, Craig, Amanda and Andrea; three beautiful great-granddaughters, Ella, Charlie and Olive; and sisters-in-law, Kay Helregel, Caroline Helregel, MaryAnn (Dan) Kuenstler and Theresa Radke.

She was preceded in death by her son, Neil; an older infant brother, Francis; 10 brothers- and sisters-in-law; and most recently her beloved husband, Red, of 66 years, deceased March 4, 2019.

In lieu of flowers, the family is accepting Mass intentions and memorials to St. Mary's-St Anne's Sodality.

Mass took place May 11, 2019, at St. Mary's Church, 1247 County Road 200 North, Pesotum, with the Rev. Robert Lampitt as celebrant.

Arrangements are by Olson Funeral & Cremation Services, Quiram Sycamore Chapel, 1245 Somonauk St., Sycamore; 815-895-6589. Visit www.olsonfh.com to share a memory or leave a condolence.

Bradley Wieduwilt, Michael Marhoffer, Matthew Marhoffer, Jay Martinie, and Gavin Martinie; Great Grandchildren, Laci, Sophia, Kayleigh, and Caleb Dixon-Wieduwilt. Funeral Service will be 10 am on Thursday May 16th at Joines Funeral Home in Villa Grove. Visitation will be held at the Funeral home Wednesday evening from 5-7, burial will be in the Fairfield Cemetery, Newman, IL.

Janice Lynn Allen

FAIRLAND — Janice Lynn Allen, 64, of Fairland died at 11:29 p.m. Sunday, April 28, 2019, with her loving husband by her side.

She was born on Oct. 20, 1954, in Tuscola, to Richard and Louise Black. She married Harvey Allen on April 2, 1988, and he survives.

Also surviving are her children, Leslie Banton and Nicholas Rhoads of Fairland and Michael Allen (Lisa) of Mattoon; five grandchildren; her sister, Theresa Thomas of Villa Grove; brothers, Jim Parsley and Mike Parsley of Camargo, Kevin Parsley of Tolono, Joe Parsley (Bobbi) of Atwood, Derek Black and Timothy Black of Danville; and several nieces and nephews.

Janice was preceded in death by her father, Richard; mother, Louise; brothers, Michael Black, Patrick Black and Danny Parsley; and niece, Erica Thomas.

Janice "Jan" graduated from Villa Grove High School.



She married and raised three amazing children. She retired from the University of Illinois. Jan was a devoted wife and mother with a great sense of humor and a huge heart. Some of her interests were camping with her family, crocheting, reading and learning about history. Jan's intelligence and strength made her the rock of her family. She was always there for family and friends.

She is truly missed, and we feel a deep loss but are comforted in knowing she will be greeted by her loved ones that went before her.

Anita J. Gilliland

Anita J. Gilliland, age 69 of Tolono, IL, died at 2:22 am on Thursday May 9, 2019 at Carle Hospital in Urbana, IL. Funeral Services will be held at 10:00 am on Friday May 17, 2019 in the Joines Funeral Home, Villa Grove, IL, burial will be in the Locust Grove Cemetery, Philo, IL. Visitation will be from 5 pm to 7 pm on Thursday May 16, 2019 in the funeral home. Mrs. Gilliland was born July 9, 1949 in Champaign, a daughter of Irven and Marian (McCollough) Brand, she is survived by one son, Wayne (Amy) Gilliland of Normal, IL, one daughter, Melissa (Rakesh) Sharma of Champaign, IL, granddaughters, Kayla and Addison of Normal and one brother. She was preceded in death by her parents, one brother and one sister. Anita



was formerly employed at Fannie Mae Candy, she was a member of the Red Hat Society and was the Queen of her Red Hat group, she was a member of the Home Extension group, she loved her grandchildren and family, she also loved her Bible study group, and she loved to visit with friends. Memorials can be made to an organization of the donors choice.



Philippians 2:12-18 Good News Translation (GNT) Shining as Lights in the World 12 So then, dear friends, as you always obeyed me when I was with you, it is even more important that you obey me now while I am away from you. Keep on working with fear and trembling to complete your salvation, 13 because God is always at work in you to make you willing and able to obey his own purpose 14 Do everything without complaining or arguing, 15 so that you may be innocent and pure as God's perfect children, who live in a world of corrupt and sinful people. You must shine among them like stars lighting up the sky, 16 as you offer them the message of life. If you do so, I shall have reason to be proud of you on the Day of Christ, because it will show that all my effort and work have not been wasted. 17 Perhaps my life's blood is to be poured out like an offering on the sacrifice that your faith offers to God. If that is so, I am glad and share my joy with you all. 18 In the same way, you too must be glad and share your joy with me.

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think the fields they want to take are in line with what they need. There are some juniors who really want to take it their senior year because they don't have time in their schedules. I really think we'll have quite a few next year.

What is your plan for college?

I plan on doing the Parkland Pathway to Illinois.

Do they have Ag Ed at the University of Illinois?

They do. I plan on touring both Parkland and the U of I in the near future.

You'll be representing Villa Grove for the next 12 months. What's your favorite part of VG?

Probably the community and how supportive they are of everything that our school does.

What's your least favorite part of being a VGHS student?

Drama! All the drama! <smiles> I'm sure it's everywhere, but I'm not a fan of it.

Have I left anything out? Are you an officer in FFA?

I am an officer. I'm the Human Resource Officer. I got that position for next year and I'm excited about that.

What does the human resource officer do?

I handle pretty much all of the paperwork involved with being a member, making sure that everyone gets their things in, holding everyone accountable.

Who are the other officers?

Clayton Knierem is our farm manager. Sophia Weng is our public relations officer, I'm human resource, Lydia Howard is our chair, Alexa Howard is finance and fundraising, and Ginger Ertl Soper is our secretary. Next year, I'm still the human resource officer, Morgan Smith will be Public Relations, Lydia is still finance, Ginger is the secretary, Izzy (Isadora Davis) is the CD coach, and Clayton is the farm manager.

What is the CD coach? All the activities that we go to are called CD's, and Izzy is the coach.

Is there anything else that you would like to add?

Just that I'm excited to see what the next year will bring.

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Incident Report

Villa Grove Police Activity for May 5-11:
Written Warnings-3
Citations-2
Juvenile-4
Ordinance Violations-5
Animal Complaint-4
Domestic-1
Assist FBI-1
Assist Public Works-1
Theft-1
Burglary-1
Welfare Check-1
Driving While License Revoked Arrest-1
VILLA GROVE POLICE DEPARTMENT
1020 N. Sycamore
P.O. Box 133
Villa Grove IL 61956
Emergency: 217-832-2511
Non-Emergency: 832-2521
Dennis W. Gire, Chief of Police

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FLEA MARKET

Church Wide Indoor Flea Market, Silent Auction and Bake Sale!
Saturday, May 18
7am-2pm
Countryside United Methodist Church
(between Philo & Sidney)
Items for entire household: Furniture, Glassware, Clothes, Books,
Bake Sale and Cafe

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Menus

Villa Grove Peace Meal

May 20 - May 24

Monday: BBQ Pork Sandwich, Lemon Pepper Peas, Wax Beans w/ Pimento & Onion, Apricots
Tuesday: Baked Ham, Corn Casserole, Brussels Sprouts, Wheat Bread, Rosy Applesauce
Wednesday: Chicken Broccoli Alfredo, Mixed Vegetables, Dinner Roll, Peaches
Thursday: Goulash w/ Beans, Veggie Cheese Bake, Dinner Roll, Mandarin Oranges
Friday: Country Fried Steak, Mash Potatoes w/ Gravy, Harv Beets, Roll, Graham Crackers, Banana
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 May 20-24

20	21	22	23	24
Breakfast: Cereal Yogurt	Breakfast: Cinn. Coffee Cake	Breakfast: WG Biscuit And Sausage Gravy Or WG Donuts	Breakfast: Cooks Choice	Breakfast: Cooks Choice
Lunch: Cheese Pizza Lettuce Salad Pineapple	Lunch: Corn Dog Green Beans RE Cheese Doritos Pears	Lunch: Cooks Choice	Lunch: Cooks Choice	Lunch: Sack Lunch Provided By Cafeteria

