

# Obituaries

## Roni Hooker Sisk

IN LOVING MEMORY  
Roni Hooker Sisk, age 47, passed away Tuesday, February 16, 2021 at Caldwell Medical Center.

Roni was born on February 1, 1974 in Champagne, IL to her late parents, Ronald Lee Hooker and Georgia Louise Foster. Roni was a 1992 graduate of Dawson Springs High School and went on to earn a Bachelor's Degree in Nursing in 2000. She worked in various nursing homes throughout her career, serving as a Director of Nursing for more than 15 years. Roni gave her heart and her hands to the service of the elderly, and was well known for the respect she exuded towards all residents and members of her staff. Roni fiercely loved her family, and was a devoted daughter, sister, aunt and friend. She enjoyed the simple pleasures in life and loved, above all, to see her children happy. Roni's most recent promotion was to that of grandmother and she immensely enjoyed her new role as "Noni," spending as much time as possible with her grandson.

Roni is survived by her husband of ten years, Monte Lee Sisk; step-father, Rick (Becky) Blanchard; one daughter, Bobbi Jo (Austin) Bell; three sons, Tristan Keith Watson of Madisonville; Luke Ryan Martin, Ricky Jace Sisk, both of Princeton; one step-daughter, Makayla (Steven) Bearden of Henderson; two sisters, Mitzi Kinman of Princeton and Mi'Chell (Rob) Huddleston of Eddyville; two brothers, John Campbell of Florida and Tony Hooker of Illinois; one step-sister, Michelle Adcock of Louisville; one step-brother, Bart Rushing of Florida; one perfect grandson, James Watson Bell; and several nieces and nephews.

Private services will be held at Morgan's Funeral Home in Princeton.

During this difficult time, you may show your support by joining the "Hugs from Home" program where your message will be attached to a balloon in the chapel to remind the family of your love and support at [www.morgansfuneralhome.com](http://www.morgansfuneralhome.com). All hugs needed to be received by Friday, February 19, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.

You may light a candle or leave a message for the family at [www.morgansfuneralhome.com](http://www.morgansfuneralhome.com).



## Deanna J. Kestner

Deanna J. Kestner, 77 of Atwood, IL passed away at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, February 11, 2021 at her residence.

Visitation was held from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on Monday, February 15, 2021 at the Arthur Southern Baptist Church. A memorial service was held following the visitation at 11:30 a.m. at the church. Rev. Doug Davis officiated. A graveside burial took place in the Pilcher Cemetery in Brownstown, IL at 12:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 27, 2021. Rev. Olen Evens officiated. The Edwards Funeral Home assisted with arrangements.

Deanna was born on July 3, 1943 in Brownstown, IL. She was a daughter of Leonard Lyle and Margaret Blanche (Lasiter) Gough. She married Luther Dean Kestner on July 9, 1960 in Cerro Gordo, IL. He passed away on October 9, 2015.

She is survived by two grandsons, Timothy Donnals and his wife Brittany of Tuscola, IL and Kevin Donnals of Brownstown, IL, five great-grandchildren, Bryan Donnals and his fiancé Courtney, Jordan Donnals, Draven Donnals, Aiden Donnals and Camden Donnals all of Tuscola, IL, one son-in-law, Tim Donnals of Brownstown, IL, one sister, Darlene Phillips and her husband Gary of Atwood, IL and several nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews, great-great-nieces, great-great-nephews and one great-great-great-niece.

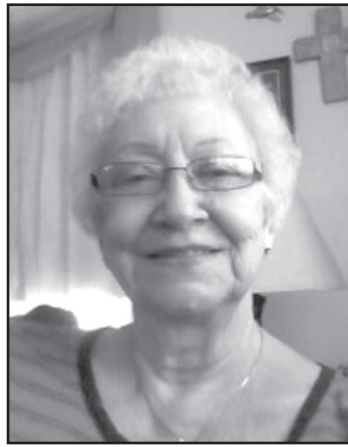
She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, one daughter, Shelly Donnals, her brothers, William Lyle Gough and a nephew, William Lyle Gabbard.

Deanna was a member of the Brownstown First Baptist Church for 37 years. She taught Bible School and Sunday School, when she moved to Atwood in 2017, she joined the Arthur Southern Baptist Church.

She had worked as a CNA for 21 years at the Cherry Wood Nursing home in Vandalia, IL. Deanna also cleaned homes and churches in the area of which she lived.

Deanna was crazy about her dog, Sadie. She loved doing puzzles, gardening flowers, watching soap operas, spending time with her sister antiquing and running around.

Memorials may be made to Deanna's family.



## Thomas McLane

Thomas "Tommy" McLane, 66 of Mattoon, IL passed away at 3:25 p.m. on Saturday, February 13, 2021 at OSF St. Francis Medical Center in Peoria, IL.

A celebration of life service will be held at a later date. The Edwards Funeral Home is assisting with arrangements.

Tommy was born on October 28, 1954 in Tuscola, IL. He was a son of Thomas "Tom" and Janet Ross (Blair) McLane. He married Peggy Ann Henry on December 18, 1982 in Mattoon, IL.

He is survived by his wife, Peggy McLane of Mattoon, IL, children, Christopher Weber and his wife Diane of Mattoon, IL and Chad Weber and his wife Jillian of Mattoon, IL, grandchildren, Shailee Weber (Gabi Wandling) of Chicago, IL, Christian Weber and his wife Allie of Mattoon, IL, Karly Weber (Bryan Lock) of Charleston, IL, Dru Howell of Mattoon, IL, Gracie Croy of Mattoon, IL and Shaylee Croy of Mattoon, IL, great-grandchildren, Charleigh Weber, Jaxton Lock and Callister Weber, his mother, Jan McLane of Arcola, IL, and three brothers, Michael McLane and his wife Kathy of Corvallis, OR, Brian McLane of Tempe, AZ and James McLane and his wife Jodi of Arcola, IL.

He was preceded in death by his father, Tom McLane, and a niece, Heather McLane.

Tommy was a 1972 graduate of Arcola High School. Right out of high school he began working at the Chevrolet Dealership in Arthur, IL and then for the Railroad. He drove a truck for Pepsi until 1981 when he began working at R.R. Donnelly's and Son's for several years before starting his own electrical company, Illini Electrical. He then retired in 2019 from Hydro Gear in Sullivan, IL.

Tommy served on the board for the Mattoon Softball and Baseball Associations.

His favorite pastime was spending time with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He enjoyed gardening, smoking meat and riding his Harley, and adored his dogs, Duke and Giah.

Memorials may be made to St. Jude's or a local Food Pantry.



## Debra Beever

On Tuesday, February 16, 2021 at the age of 62 amid Deb's battle with cancer, the Lord called her home. Debra was born on October 18, 1958 to Charles Robert and Janet Rae (Lee) Wettschurack in Lafayette IN. Deb is a 1977 graduate of McCutcheon High School in Lafayette, IN. She married her "not so romantic" high school sweetheart Robert (Bob) Earl Beever on February 5, 1977 in Dayton, IN. Her love for family first expanded after giving life to her two sons, Shane and Brandon. With many years of threatening to take that life back away from the boys, they proceeded to bless her with 6 beautiful grandchildren, all girls. The love for her family continued to expand as some of the grandchildren have married and have gotten engaged. She worked for Jerry Myerscough for over 35 years, starting as a waitress at Jerry's Pizza in Charleston, IL and retired as office manager for Myerscough Payroll, Inc. Deb is a member of the Charleston First Church of God and a past member of the ESA Sorority (Epsilon-Sigma-Alpha) of Charleston and The Charleston Jayceettes. Over the years, Deb has volunteered for many activities; the Coalition for People in Need, The Soup Stop, Charleston Music Boosters, as well as her church by teaching Sunday School, Vacation Bible School and wherever else she may be needed. She has been on several mission trips including to Haiti, Thailand, Nicaragua, and Show Low, AZ. While visiting Israel, she was baptized in the Jordan River. Along all her adventures she made lifelong friends.

Deb enjoyed gardening and sharing the abundance of her garden with family and friends, watching her birds, reading the Bible, and camping with her family; always looking forward to their annual camping trip at Lithia Springs. Her greatest joy has always been spending time with her family and watching all her granddaughters' many activities. As Deb is saying "hello" to new and old faces that have gone before her, she would not say "good-bye" to those left behind but would constantly say "see you later." What may seem like a long time here, will be but a blink of her eyes before she sees her husband, Bob, of 44 years, her sons Shane Beever and his wife Rachel of Charleston, IL and Brandon Beever and his wife Stacy of Ashmore, IL; six granddaughters, Hope Sweeney and her husband Dakota, Faith and Patience Beever all of Charleston, IL. Lilian, Elsie, and Caraline Beever all of Ashmore, IL. Deb's mother, Janet Wettschurack of Lafayette, IN, her sister, Dianne Bell and her husband Scott of Lafayette, IN, and her brother, Bret Wettschurack and his wife Lisa of Cutler, IN, along with numerous nieces, nephews and all the other lives she has touched and seeds she has planted.

Funeral services were held at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, February 22, 2021 at the Charleston First Church of God, 1225 Montgomery Drive, Charleston, IL. Rev. Vance Oliver officiated. Burial was in the Resthaven Memorial Gardens in Mattoon, IL. Visitation was held from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 21, 2021 at the church. The Edwards Funeral Home is assisting with arrangements. The funeral service was streamed live on the Edwards Funeral Home Facebook page beginning at 10:00 a.m. on Monday.

Memorials may be made to the Charleston First Church of God or Coalition for People in Need, PO Box 766, Charleston, IL.



## Lynn Lee Sanders

Lynn was born August 6, 1943 in Cheyenne, Wyoming to Willard (Bill) and Rita Black. Lynn passed away February 15, 2021 in Duncan, Oklahoma. She attended school in Villa Grove, Illinois. She married Ted A. Sanders in Park County, Indiana on July 22, 1989.

Lynn was the owner/operator of Rockville Lanes in Rockville, Indiana before retiring to Oklahoma. She enjoyed fishing, bowling, crafting, and travel.

Survivors include her husband, Ted of Duncan, Oklahoma; siblings Becky Bair (Don) of Michigan; Kay Carter (Dave) of Illinois; Bill (Anita) of North Carolina; Mike Black (Brenda) of North Carolina; Crystal Black (Neil) Clodfelter of Virginia; Mark Klumb of Missouri. Surviving children include Brett Coddington (Dawn) of Indiana, Brad Coddington (Beth) of Indiana, Brandi Coddington (Laura) of Indiana, LaDonna Pickett (Dan) of Oklahoma & Carrie Lee (Robert) of Oklahoma; 15 grandchildren; 22 great grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Lynn is preceded in death by her parents, Bill & Rita Black; and her sister, Carol Klumb.

The family asks that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to Chisholm Trail Hospice, 2000 Elk Avenue, Duncan, Ok 73533 or American Lung Association at [www.lung.org](http://www.lung.org), in her name.

The family wants to extend a special thank you to Dr. Laura Myrick and the staff of Chisholm Trail Hospice of Duncan, OK.



## Richard G. Montague

Richard G. 'Rick' Montague, 64, of Sullivan, passed away at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday February 16, 2021 in his residence.

A Celebration of Life service will be at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday March 7, 2021 at the Sullivan VFW with a reception to follow until 4 p.m. Burial will be in the Camfield Cemetery at a later date. Arrangements by the Reed Funeral Home, Sullivan. Online condolences may be sent to the family at [reedfuneralhome.net](http://reedfuneralhome.net). Memorials are suggested to the Sullivan Gun Club or to the Moultrie County Food Pantry.

Rick was born September 1, 1956 in Decatur the son of Richard M. And Lois Geraldine Jordan Montague. He was a member of the Prairieland Frontiersmen Muzzleloader Club, was very active with the Sullivan Gun Club and he had been a Hunter Safety Master Instructor for the Illinois Department of Natural Resources for over twenty five years and had served in the Illinois National Guard. Rick was a building contractor for many years. He married Barbara Dial on March 26, 1982 in Sullivan.

Surviving are his wife Barbara in Sullivan; children David Montague of Whitehouse, Tennessee, Jeremy Montague of Findlay, Laura Shobe of Champaign, Mike Trussell of Spokane, Washington and Michelle Witherspoon of Decatur; sisters Karen Stathers and Cindi Klukis of Sullivan; eleven grandchildren and a great granddaughter.

He was preceded in death by his parents.



## J. Trinidad Perez

J. Trinidad "Villa" Perez, 64, of Arthur, IL was quickly taken from his earthly life on Sunday, February 21, 2021.

Funeral services were held at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 25, 2021, at the Edwards Funeral Home, 221 East Main St., Arcola, IL. Rev. Keenan Smith officiated. Burial was in the Arthur Cemetery. Visitation was held from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 24, 2021, at the funeral home.

Trinidad, also known as Villa, was born on December 17, 1956, in Salvatierra, Guanajuato, Mexico. His parents, Carmen and Claudia Perez, raised Villa and nine other children, Jesus Perez, Melitina Perez, Fidel Perez, Florentino Perez, Adela Perez, Efen Perez, Rafael Perez, Martha Perez, and Baltazar Perez. Trinidad learned early the importance of family and hard work. He held on to those qualities throughout his life.

Trinidad met Sheryl Smith on July 4, 1978. Together they had two children, Trinity and James "Nick" Perez. If you were to ask Trinidad how many children he had, the number would have been far greater than two. He considered his stepson, Nathan Penny, as well as Mary and Boris Rosas, grandchildren Kathryn, Alana, Mia, Carlos, Cris, Colton, and especially Micaela, whom he and Sheryl helped raise while her mother was in the service, all his own children.

Trinidad enjoyed grilling and eating out with his family and friends, listening to old Spanish music, working on his yard, watching football and baseball, and being around those he loved. But more than that, he enjoyed watching his family grow and soaking up all of the unforgettable memories that only families can create.

When Trinidad was not with family or helping out a friend, he was working. He dedicated his past 35 years a ADM in Decatur, Illinois. He was a dependable and hard working leader who rarely missed a day's work.

Trinidad was loved by his family and friends and will be deeply missed. He left an impact on the hearts of those who loved him and his memory will live on through them.

Trinidad was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Jesus and Pino.

He is survived by his wife Sheryl, his three sisters and four brothers, his son James Perez (Meredith), daughter Trinity Rodriguez (Carlos), and nine grandchildren.



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