

Obituaries

Maynard P. Tondini

Maynard P. Tondini, 81, of Villa Grove died on August 4, 2021 at the Carle Foundation Hospital.

Maynard was born on September 3, 1939 to Pete and Amanda Tondini in Fairfield, IL. He was married to Sara C. Tondini who died on August 6, 2021.

He is survived by three children, Scott Pietro Tondini of Miami, FL, Heather Tondini of Carbondale, IL, and Steve Tondini (Melinda DelRossi) of Savoy; two grandchildren, Brendan McGovern of Chicago, IL and Sara Tondini (Alex Simpson) of Champaign, IL; and one great-grandchild, Leona Simpson.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Pete and Amanda Tondini.

Maynard grew up helping his father farm near Villa Grove. His mechanical abilities fed his desire to build and create, especially cars. As a teenager and through his twenties, he worked at several local car dealerships where he honed his skills as a premier auto body repair specialist. He eventually opened his own automotive repair and restoration shop which he operated for over 35 years.

Maynard had a legendary personality paired with an incredible sense of humor. He lived life more than to the fullest. He left a lasting impression on everyone he met and especially those that knew and loved him. He will be greatly missed by all.

A visitation for Maynard was held from 5-7 p.m. on Tuesday, August 17, 2021 at the Joines Funeral Home (Villa Grove). A graveside service and burial was held at Grandview Memorial Gardens in Champaign at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, August 19, 2021.

Memorial contributions may be made in Maynard's honor to a charity of the donor's choice.



Sara C. Tondini

Sara C. Tondini, 75, of Villa Grove died at home on August 6, 2021 after a lengthy and courageous battle with cancer.

Sara was born on January 11, 1946 to Henry and Olivia Carter in Springfield, IL.

She is survived by her son, Steve Tondini (Melinda DelRossi) of Savoy, one granddaughter, Sara Tondini (Alex Simpson) of Champaign; one great-granddaughter, Leona Simpson and three siblings; Hank (Susie) Carter of Peachtree City, GA, Olivia (Reece) Holcombe of Chatham, IL and John Carter of Asheville, NC.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Maynard Tondini, and her parents, Henry and Olivia Carter.

Sara was a graduate of Springfield High School and attended Springfield Community College with a focus in accounting and business management. She worked over the years in various financial roles at Eisner-Murphy Insurance Agency, L&L Imports, Paul's Machine & Welding, Carle Home Health and most recently as managing broker at Claymore Realty. While Sara enjoyed all her roles, she got the most satisfaction from helping a real estate client sell their home or find their forever home.

While Sara's first love was her family, she selflessly volunteered for numerous organizations over her lifetime. This included serving as Vice President of Champaign-Urbana Kiwanis Club, being a member of the inaugural class of News-Gazette Media's Seventy over 70 (recognizing those who have demonstrated a lively curiosity and willingness to learn something new, an aptitude for personal and/or professional growth and a commitment to better others), serving as a Certified Master Gardener, as well as a Certified Master Naturalist, a member of the P.E.O. Sister Chapter FF, and a Life-time Carle Auxilian, to name a few. Sara was a Daughter of the American Revolution and was recently named the Regent of Stephen A. Douglass Chapter of the NSDAR. In addition to these volunteer and service roles, Sara was an exceptional quilter, loved gardening, especially daylilies, and had a palate for the finest Oregon pinot noirs.

A visitation for Sara was held from 5-7 p.m. on Tuesday, August 17, 2021 at the Joines Funeral Home (Villa Grove). A memorial service was held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, August 18, 2021 at the Joines Funeral Home. A private burial service at Grandview Memorial Garden in Champaign followed the memorial service.

Memorial donations may be made in Sara's honor to the Villa Grove United Methodist Church - Stained Glass Window Project or the Lustgarten Foundation for Pancreatic Cancer Research.



Dartana L. McClain

Dartana Lynn (Baker) McClain, 63, of Mattoon, IL entered her heavenly home on Friday, August 13, 2021, at 2:22 p.m. surrounded by her loving family at her home.

Visitation was held from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 18, 2021, at the Edwards Funeral Home, 221 East Main in Arcola, IL. Funeral services were held at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, August 19, 2021, at the Edwards Funeral Home. Rev. Rickey Ferguson officiated. Burial was in Resthaven Memorial Gardens in Mattoon, IL.

Dartana was born on July 7, 1958, in Paxton, IL. She was a daughter of Virgil Fred and Berniece Ruth (Kunce) Baker. She married William Gale "Bill" McClain on August 23, 1980, in Effingham, IL.

Dartana is survived by her husband, Bill; three children, Kylan McClain of Mattoon, IL, Kavilan McClain and his wife Rachel of Sherman, IL and Knovelle McClain of Charleston, IL; two wonderful grandchildren, Emmet and Kennedy McClain both of Sherman, IL; her parents, Virgil and Berniece Baker of Mattoon, IL; her mother-in-law, Jean McClain of Cross Lanes, WV; four siblings, DeAnna Neely and her husband Paul of Greenville, SC, Dale Baker and his wife Jackie of Mt. Juliet, TN, Doraine Chapman and her husband Jim of Plainfield, IN and Deneille Trier and her husband Travis of Mattoon, IL and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents, one brother, Dayne Mearl Baker, her father-in-law, Roy L. McClain, and a brother-in-law, Randy McClain and his wife Roberta.

Dartana was a 1976 graduate of Mattoon High School. She received her bachelor's degree in Missions from Bob Jones University in Greenville, SC and then went onto Marshall University School of Nursing in Huntington, WV where she received her nursing degree. She was a Registered Nurse for 30 plus years. Dartana worked in every specialty in the nursing field from, birthing babies to caring for the elderly.

Dartana's greatest joy in life was her grandchildren. She leaves behind a loving family and a wonderful legacy. Her smile lit up a room and her laugh was contagious. Dartana made everyone feel welcome and like one of her own. She was a wonderful mentor, confidant, wife, mother, sister, nurse, and friend. She went without so that others could have what they needed. The sacrifices Dartana made were the answers to the prayers of others. Dartana was a ray of hope to those around her. She will be missed terribly, but her family keeps hope in the knowledge that Dartana knew her Lord and Savior on a personal level. She was sure in her salvation, and we know she is at rest and peace in the Father's Arms.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to William McClain for a college fund for he and Dartana's grandchildren.



Jake D. Shelter

Jake D. Shelter, 73 years, 3 months, and 2 days, of Arthur, IL passed away at 09:34 a.m. on Thursday, August 5, 2021, at Carle Foundation Hospital in Urbana, IL.

Funeral services were held at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday, August 8, 2021, at the Otto Center in Arthur, IL. Bishop Daniel M. Chupp officiated. Burial was in the Otto Cemetery. Visitation was held any time after 2:00 p.m. on Friday, August 6, 2021, and any time after 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, August 7, 2021, all at the Otto Center in Arthur, IL. The Edwards Funeral Home is assisting with arrangements.

Jake was born on May 3, 1948, in Kalona, IA, a son of Daniel J. and Lovina (Hochstetler) Shetler. He married Barbara Ellen Otto on March 16, 1972, in Tuscola, IL. They lived in Holy Matrimony for 49 years, 4 months, 20 days.

Jake is survived by his wife Barbara; four children, Andy Ray Shetler and his wife Dixie (Smith) of Greenfield, IN, Lonnie Jay Shetler and his wife Margaret (Miller) of Arthur, IL, Miriam Marie Hostetler and her husband Raymond of Tuscola, IL, and Daniel Lee Shetler and his wife Jessica (Hites) of Urbana, OH; ten grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, five step-grandchildren; two brothers, Daniel Shetler Jr. and his wife JoAnn of Indianapolis, IN, Joe Shetler and his wife Rachelle of Kalona, IA and two sisters, Martha Miller and her husband Harlan of Crofton, KY and Lovina Marie Bontrager and her husband Mel of Hicksville, OH.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Daniel and Lovina Shetler, one sister, Mandy Ann Shetler and one step-brother, David Schwartz.

Jake was a member of the Old Order Amish Faith.

Doris A. Edwards

Doris Ann "Dory" Edwards, 92, of Arcola passed away at 2:50 p.m. on Saturday, August 7, 2021, at Carriage Crossing in Arcola, IL.

Funeral services were held at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 11, 2021, at the Edwards Funeral Home, 221 East Main in Arcola, IL. Pastor Brent Budd officiated. Burial was in the Arcola Cemetery. Visitation was held from Noon until service time on Wednesday at the funeral home.

Dory was born on November 26, 1928, in Arcola, IL. She was a daughter of H.W. and Myrtle Alice (Hood) Pullen. She married Charles F. Edwards on June 3, 1946, in Arcola, IL. He passed away on April 1, 1995.

She is survived by four children, Lynn Poindexter and her husband Terry of Tuscola, IL, Steve Edwards and his wife Barb of Arcola, IL, Greg Edwards of Georgetown, IL and Pam Martin of Champaign, IL; three grandchildren, Tonya Horn and her husband Joshua of Tolono, IL, Jessica Martin, and Jacob Martin both of Champaign, IL, and three great-grandchildren, Linnea and Avery Martin and Tessa Horn.

Dory was preceded in death by her parents, H.W. and Myrtle Pullen, her husband Chuck Edwards, son-in-law Randy Martin and two siblings, Averill Bowles, Anita Pullen, Cora Steproe, Lorene Lindstrom, Harvey Pullen, Vernon Pullen, Luella Rippey, Robert "Popeye" Pullen, Donald Pullen, Martha Herrington, Carol Pullen and one day old infant sister.

As a girl Dory helped in the broomcorn fields around Arcola, IL. Dory graduated from Arcola High School in 1946. After graduation she married Chuck. She worked at Collegiate Cap and Gown until her first child was born, from then on, she focused on raising her children. After her children were raised, she worked at city hall, the nursing home and even the school, she was

always willing to help wherever she was needed.

Dory has always been a huge sports fan, cheering on her brothers, her children, her grandchildren and even her great grandchildren. She was a true Purple Rider Fan, she also liked the Fighting Illini, the St. Louis Cardinals and whatever team one of her grandchildren or great-grandchildren were playing on. Family meant everything to her and spending time with them was something she always looked forward to.

Memorials may be made to the Arcola Sports Boosters, the First Christian Church of Arcola or the Arcola Public Library.



Edward J. Chupp

Edward J. Chupp, 79 years, 1 month, and 16 days, of Arthur, IL passed away at 12:40 p.m. on Friday, August 6, 2021, at his residence.

Funeral services were held at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, August 10, 2021, at the Otto Center in Arthur, IL. Burial was in the Otto Cemetery. Visitation was held any time after 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 8, 2021, and any time after 10:00 a.m. on Monday, August 9, 2021, all at the Otto Center in Arthur, IL. The Edwards Funeral Home is assisting with arrangements.

Edward was born on June 21, 1942, in Moultrie County, IL a son of Jacob M. and Mattie A. (Herschberger) Chupp. He married Verna Viola Miller on April 4, 1963, in rural Arthur, IL. They lived in Holy Matrimony for 58 years, 4 months, and 2 days.

Edward is survived by his wife Verna of Arthur, IL; two brothers, Lewis Chupp, and his wife Mary (Bontrager) of Tuscola, IL, Omer Chupp, and his wife Lorene (Miller) of Arthur, IL; three sisters, Edna Schrock of Arthur, IL, Clara Schrock, and her husband Edward C. of Chesterville, IL, Wilma Yoder of Crab Orchard, KY and a sister-in-law, Anna Chupp of Shippshewana, IN.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Jacob, and Mattie Chupp, two brothers, Joas Chupp and his wife Esther, and Eli Chupp, and two brothers-in-law, Eli Yoder, and Fred Schrock.

Edward was a member of the Old Order Amish Faith, where he served as a Bishop for many years.

Virginia L. Gobble

Virginia Lucille "Ginny" Gobble, 95, of Tuscola, IL, passed away Sunday morning, August 15, 2021 at the Tuscola Health Care Center.

Graveside services were held at 1:00 p.m., Monday, August 16, 2021 at the Tuscola Township Cemetery with Rev. Terri Haas officiating.

Ginny was born on May 7, 1926 in Tuscola, IL, the daughter of the late David McKinley Garrett & Vira Adams Garrett. She married Donald Wayne Sallee (1925-1974) in 1952, and Sanford Eugene "Gene" Gobble (1936 - 2003) in 1964, both preceded her in death.

Virginia is survived by her daughter: Cheryl Gobble McGhee, husband Curtis, and their son Garrett of Cary, NC; her granddaughter Amanda Burke Jackson, husband Jeremy, their two sons Hunter & Connor, and daughter Kennedy of Granger, IN; and her grandson Matthew Burke, and his wife Stacie Ford Burke of Speedway, IN.

She was preceded in death by her daughter Tanya Sallee Burke (1953-1999).

Virginia was a 1944 graduate of Tuscola High School, where she excelled in class and held a strong passion for her Warriors. Her first job was working at Pettitt's in Tuscola for \$42 an hour. She was also employed at the U of I in Admissions, after that she worked for the Tuscola Water Company.

She was a member of the Tuscola United Methodist Church.

Ginny could light up any room with her beautiful smile and warm personality. In her younger years she loved to dance and bowl. She will be deeply missed by her family, friends, and her extended family at Tuscola Health Care center. Spread your wings and fly high.

Memorials are suggested to the Douglas County Animal Control, PO Box 192, Tuscola, IL 61953 or Transitions Hospice, 1551 Bond Street, Suite 143, Naperville, IL 60563

Online condolences may be shared via hilligossraderfh.com



Daniel S. West

Daniel Stephen West, 72 of Atwood, IL passed away at 2:15 p.m. on Friday, August 6, 2021, at Decatur Memorial Hospital.

Private burial will be held in Tennessee at a later date. The Edwards Funeral Home is assisting the family.

Daniel was born on July 4, 1949, in Red Boiling Springs, TN. He was a son of Hayden Junior and Dorothy Joan (Brown) West.

He is survived by four children, Steven West of Atwood, IL, Kaysandra Parker and her husband Terry of Charleston, IL, Jeremy West of Arthur, IL and Dennis Hayden West and his wife Jamie of Rantoul, IL, twelve grandchildren, four great-grandchildren, two brothers, David West of Decatur, IL and Doug West of Atwood, IL and one sister, Deanna McDonald of Atwood, IL.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one brother, Dennis West and a brother-in-law, Neil McDonald.

Daniel had worked at Cabot Corporation in Tuscola, IL retiring with 28 years of service.

He enjoyed restoring old cars, hunting, fishing, and traveling between Atwood and his house in Lafayette, TN.



MEMORIES

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- * 3 cups black tea
- * 3 cups self-rising flour

Directions

1. Soak your fruit in Tea overnight so that the fruit softens and steeps.
2. Preheat oven to 125 C (257F).
3. Stir flour into soaked

fruit, and mix well. Add more tea if the mixture is too dry. It is quite a thick mixture but sometimes the fruit really absorbs the liquid and it is hard to dampen the flour.

4. Spoon mixture into a 22cm (9 in.) lined cake tin. Bake for 2 1/2 hours or until cooked through. Remove and leave to cool. Wrap in tin foil or place in an airtight container.



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