

## Obituaries Cont.

### Tami Belton-Rocke

Tami Belton-Rocke, 47 of Lovington, IL passed away at 7:55 p.m. on Wednesday, September 15, 2021, at Decatur Memorial Hospital in Decatur, IL.

Funeral services were held at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 21, 2021, at the Vineyard Church, 1805 S. Hamilton St., in Sullivan, IL. Pastor Jim Plank and Pastor Chad Yoder officiated. Burial was in the Arthur Cemetery. Visitation was held from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Monday, September 20, 2021, at the Vineyard Church in Sullivan, IL. The Edwards Funeral Home is assisting with arrangements.

Tami was born on January 26, 1974, in Monticello, IL. She was a daughter of Larry Franklin and Regina Sue (Thompson) Belton. She married David Rocke on March 31, 2006, in Weatherford, TX.

She is survived by her husband, David Rocke and his children, Allison Marie Reider of Bonnie, IL, Alicia Renee Miller and her husband Kyle of Arthur, IL and Shane Travis Rocke of Lovington, IL, her parents, Larry and Jeannie Belton of Arthur, IL, one sister, Jennifer Dawn Anderson and her husband Chad of Sheridan, IL, and their children, Zachary Emmitt White and Lane Allen Anderson and seven step-grandchildren, Anthony William Conner, Lilliana Grace Reider, Juliana Lynne Reider, Elijah Kane Reider, Makenzie Judith Miller, Shawn David Miller and Austin Jay Miller.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents.

Tami was a member of the Vineyard Church in Sullivan, IL, the Kaskaskia Country Club, the National Cutting Horse Association, and the American Quarter Horse Association.

Tami was the Vice President of Bear Creek Truss in rural Tuscola, IL. She had a passion for Bear Creek Truss customers, employees, golfing, and riding horses competitively. Tami enjoyed spending her free time decorating or planning any kind of party or event. Tami loved hosting friends and family and took great pride in making her house a home. Tami was especially fond of her black lab, Angus.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Vineyard Church in Sullivan, IL.



### Rev. C. Don Ferrill

The Rev. C. Don Ferrill was born in Clinton on June 23, 1931, to Charlie and Eva (Conn) Ferrill.

He went to be with his Lord and savior Jesus Christ on Tuesday (Sept. 7, 2021).

He was raised on a farm just west of Weldon Springs State Park, where he spent the first part of his life working as a farmer alongside his family. He also worked at Revere making shell casings. Don received his call to ministry six years post high school. He quickly went to get his education at Eastern Illinois University and Evangelical Theological Seminary to become a local pastor.

Pastor Don served numerous churches across central Illinois spanning 65 years of Christian ministry, which included: 1956 Oakley-Garver Brick EUB, 1963 Saybrook EUB, 1968 Peoria Grace UMC, 1976 Clinton UMC, 1988 Danville St. James UMC, 1997 retired from UMC, 2000 Clinton Presbyterian, 2005 Decatur Grace UMC and 2013 Weldon UMC, 2019 Kenny UMC.

Don was married to the love of his life, Fran (Hall) Ferrill, for 52 years. Fran was not only his best friend but a faithful and dedicated pastor's wife and ministry partner.

Don had two sons, Timothy James (Mindy) Ferrill and Peter Andrew Ferrill. He has eight grandchildren, Irelyn, Landyn, Layne, Kieran and Drayden Ferrill, Hope Ferrill, Hayden (Sidney) Maurice and Laurenn Maurice. He has one great-grandchild, Tate Maurice. Don has one older sister, Marjorie (Joe) Shearer of Villa Grove; and one younger brother, Ross (Dorothy) Ferrill of Argenta. He has one sister-in-law, Beverly (Don) Swanstrom of Gibson City; and one brother-in-law, Dr. Samuel Hall of St. Paul, Minn. Don has countless nieces and nephews and great-nieces and great-nephews.

Pastor Don's greatest passion and purpose in life was being a witness to others in our world for Jesus Christ. He loved God, the church and local pastors and gave his life for the mission of telling others about Jesus. His life and ministry have impacted countless thousands of lives with



### Charles Goss

Charles Goss, Sullivan, Illinois, age 94, passed peacefully with family at his bedside on Wednesday morning, September 22, 2021, at St. Mary's Hospital, Decatur, Illinois. Charles was born January 19, 1927, to Charles E. and Nora (Weaver) Goss, of Nappanee, Indiana. He married Edna Marie (Miller) Goss on August 20, 1950. They were married for 68 years until her passing in December 2018. Charles and Edna lived life on their farm, raising 5 children, while instilling a strong work ethic, and teaching them to love the Lord. Charles and Edna were charter members of Quinn Chapel Mennonite Church, now North Vine Mennonite Church, Arthur, Illinois.

Leaving family to cherish his memories are his children Donald Goss (Beverly) of Mattoon, Illinois, Robert Goss' wife, Karen Klein Goss of Sullivan, Illinois, Lyle Goss (Esther) of Findlay, Illinois, William Lynn (Bill) Goss (Geneva) of Salem, South Dakota, Lori Goss Plank (Jim) of Sullivan, Illinois; 17 grandchildren: Erin Goss of Crestwood, Missouri, Madeleine Goss of Austin, Texas, Charles W. Goss of Abilene, Texas, Broderick Goss of Sullivan, Illinois, Luke Goss (Heidi) of Sullivan, Lisa Goss of Sullivan, Steve Goss (Hannah) of Harrington, Delaware, Brenda Goss Bankes (Aaron) of Medford, Wisconsin, Cheryl Goss Meyer (Tom) of Salem, South Dakota, Melissa Goss Fitzjarrald (Christopher) of Dante, South Dakota, Kimberly Goss of Mattoon, Illinois, Shelbi Plank Swartzentruber (Jeremy) of Arthur, Illinois, Spencer Plank (Tayler) of Bellevue, Nebraska, Micah Plank (Liz) of Indianapolis, Indiana, Magdalen Plank of Nashville, Tennessee, Isaiah Plank and Ian Plank of Sullivan, Illinois. 16 great-grandchildren: Sydney Dehart, Elana, Olivia, Liam, Iliana Krutsinger, Allendra Fitzjarrald, Jack Decesar, Celia, Avery, Oliver, Camille Goss, Lucy Goss, Judah, Gavin, and Paxton Swartzentruber, and Kyson Plank. Siblings: Pearl Chupp, Nappanee, Indiana, Naomi (Wayne) Welty, Nappanee, Indiana, and Melvin (Janice) Goss, Nappanee, Indiana. Special care given by Sharon Goss.

Welcoming Charles to his heavenly homecoming are his wife Edna, his son Robert Goss, his parents, siblings and their spouses: Willard (Viola) Goss, Fern Goss (Haskell) Yoder, Virginia Goss (Charles) Pletcher, and brother-in-law Carlyle Chupp.

Farm Life brought fulfillment to Charles. His ingenuity was evident in every aspect of their family life on the farm. From tilling the soil, to raising cattle and hogs, to customizing and creating in his Shop—Charles found great satisfaction in making every-day tasks more efficient. In his mind's eye, he could see a desired outcome and with a cutting torch a welder, and his innate engineering ability, Charles created hundreds of useful time-saving tools and equipment over the decades.

Charles loved to read and enjoyed engaging conversations with family and friends. He was a life-long learner and faithful follower of Jesus who lived his faith by helping others and giving of his time and his talents.

Visitation was from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. Saturday afternoon, September 25, at the family farm at 1350 CR 1400 N, Sullivan. A private family service followed the visitation. Burial was in the Sunnyside Mennonite Church Cemetery, Chesterville. Memorials are suggested to the Sunnyside Mennonite Church Rebuilding Fund. Online condolences may be sent to the family at reedfuneralhome.net.

## Douglas County board approves Hazardous Waste collection

By Jim Allen

The County Board met in regular session on September 9, 2021. Chair Munson called the meeting to order at 9:00 with all board members present. The board approved the payments of the County's financial obligations and approved the reports of fees of the county offices.

The next order of business was to appoint members to a newly formed technology standing committee. Members who were selected were Don Munson Chair, and members Jim Mikeworth and Tom Hettinger. The committee is to facilitate communication between the various departments.

A resolution to reappoint Cindy Baer as Supervisor of Assessments was approved by the board. The appointment will be for four years from September 15, 2021 through September 17, 2025. Chair Munson present-

ed information regarding a Household Hazardous Waste collection that is proposed for early next year. Kelly Lockhart of Coles County regional Planning is asking area counties to enter into an inter-governmental agreement to counties that are contiguous to Coles County. The program will be funded with a grant from the EPA. The board approved entering into the inter-governmental agreement. Details on material and dates will be forthcoming.

Before closing the meeting, Chair Munson asked for questions or comments from those in attendance. A question was presented regarding when a committee for revising the 2009 WECS Ordinance, under which the current wind turbine complex was authorized, would be formed. On May 19, 2021, the County Board passed a moratorium on accepting applications for future "wind farms", it was

noted that such a committee would be formed. Chair Munson replied that due to the time he was taking with ARPA funds and the finalization of the commitment to road work by EDPR, he had not been able to take time for this committee.

I mentioned that it might be possible for a board member to take a lead in reviewing the ordinance. It was pointed out that would not be possible as the committee would be under the auspices of the Plat and Planning Committee which is headed by Tom Hettinger. Mr. Hettinger stated that if progress on the WECS committee was delayed, that the board could extend the moratorium until the ordinance could be revised.

With no other business, the meeting was adjourned until October 31 at 9:00.

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