

Area Obituaries

Jeanette Lecher

Jeanette L. Lecher, 72, of Tuscola, passed away suddenly on Wednesday, March 23, 2022, at her residence.

Private family services will be held. Burial will be in the Tuscola Township Cemetery. Hilligoss Shrader Funeral Home is entrusted with the arrangements.

Mrs. Lecher was born on August 1, 1949, in Urbana, the oldest daughter of Dwight and Dorothy Williams McCumber. She married David B. Lecher on May 3, 1974, in Tuscola. He survives.

Also surviving is her son, Eric Phillip Lecher of Tuscola;



Lecher

sister, Jeanelle (Kenneth) Mitsarfer of Charleston; and brother, Darrell (Janet) Mc-

Cumber of Camargo; a niece and a nephew.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Mrs. Lecher formerly worked at Tuscola National Bank. She enjoyed collecting and selling Longaberger baskets, Hallmark ornaments and Raggedy Ann and Andy dolls. Mrs. Lecher also enjoyed doing genealogy and working in the garden.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to Hands-4-Paws, P.O. Box 204, Tuscola, IL 61953.

Online condolences may be shared via hilligossshraderfh.com.

Agnes Jordan

Agnes Therese Jordan, 89, of Tuscola, passed away at 5:14 a.m. on Friday, March 25, 2022, at OSF Heart of Mary Medical in Urbana.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 9, at Forty Martyrs Catholic Church, in Tuscola. Father Angel Sierra will officiate. Burial will be in the Tuscola Cemetery. There will be a Rosary service starting at 4 p.m. Friday, April 8, at the Edwards Funeral Home in Arcola; visitation will begin at the funeral home after the Rosary service and go until 7 p.m.

A full obituary will be in next week's paper.



Mann

Allen Mann

A Memorial Service for C. Allen Mann will be held at 10 a.m., Saturday, April 2, 2022, at the Victory Church, Camargo, with the Rev. Duane Piercy officiating.



Jean and Bill Jones

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A Memorial Mass for William C. "Bill" and Jean Ellen Kennedy Jones will be held at 10 a.m., Friday, April 1, 2022, at the Forty Martyrs Catholic Church, 201 East Van Allen Street, Tuscola.

Colton Day

Colton Dale Day, infant son of Ryan A. Day and Tiffany J. Maulding, passed away at 4:16 a.m., Sunday, March 20, 2022, at the Carle Foundation Hospital, Urbana.

Funeral services were held Friday, March 25, at the Hilligoss Shrader Funeral Home, Tuscola, with the Rev. Joe Carter officiating. Burial was in the Tuscola Township Cemetery. Visitation was held prior to the services at the funeral home.

Colton was born on February 9, 2022, in Urbana.

Survivors include his parents; maternal grandfather, Randy Maulding; paternal grandparents, Cindy Day (Tim Hausmann) of Tuscola and Jason Day of Atwood; brothers, Braydon Day, Elijah Headrick and Sebastain Coad; sisters,



Colton Day

Sofia and MacKayla Brainerd.

He was preceded in death by his maternal grandmother, Mary Maulding.

Memorials are suggested to help pay for funeral expenses.

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Wellbaum

Katrina Wellbaum

Katrina Ruth Wellbaum, 57, of LeClaire, Iowa, formerly of Atwood, died at 11:10 p.m. on Saturday, March 26, 2022, at Genesis East Hospital inavenport, Iowa.

Visitation will be held from 4:30 p.m. to 8 p.m., Wednesday March 30, at Hilligoss Shrader Funeral Home, 66 East U.S. Highway 36, Atwood. Funeral services will be on Thursday, March 31, at 10:30 a.m., at the funeral home. Burial will fol-

low at the Lake Fork Cemetery, rural Atwood.

Mrs. Wellbaum was born on October 20, 1964, in Decatur. She was the daughter of Bonnie and Wayne Jones. She married Todd Wellbaum on July 27, 1985, in Arthur. He survives.

Along with her husband, Todd, she is survived by her father and brother, Wayne and Kevin Jones; and her daughter, Payton Wellbaum. She was preceded in death by her mother, Bonnie Jones.

Mrs. Wellbaum graduated

from Atwood-Hammond High School in 1983, and Lake Land college in 1984, with a certificate in cosmetology. She worked at a local hair salon in Atwood. Shortly after, she worked as a manager at Kirlin's Hallmark in Champaign. After the birth of her daughter, she decided to stay at home as a homemaker and volunteer at many school and community activities.

She always loved spending time and traveling with her family, including trips to Europe, Floridian beaches, and to Disney World, Florida. She also really enjoyed gardening and tending to the blooming flowers in her yard, year after year. Mrs. Wellbaum was always an animal lover, having many dogs and cats as pets throughout her life.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

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Moe Garrett

Merle E. "Moe" Garrett, 76, of Atwood, passed away at 5:10 p.m., Tuesday, March 22, 2022, at the Carle Foundation Hospital, Urbana.

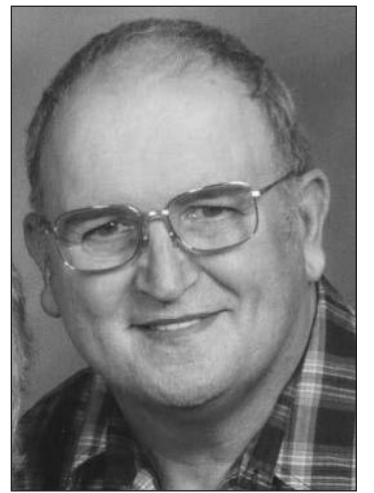
Celebration of Life services will be held at 11 a.m., Friday, April 1, at Penn Station, 122 E. Progress St., Arthur. Burial will be in the Keller Cemetery, Lovington. Visitation will be held 1 hour prior to the service at Penn Station.

Mr. Garrett was born on November 14, 1945, in Tuscola, the son of Eugene and Lillian M. Stolly Garrett. He married Dorothy F. Stinson on June 10, 1977, in Atwood. She preceded him in death on October 13, 2018.

Survivors include his sons, Joe (Cathy) Garrett of Huntley, John (Kim) Garrett of Moline, John (Lisa) Chapman of Pontiac; daughters, Theresa (Brad) Miller of Centralia, Kathy Smith of Charleston; seven grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; son; grandson; great-granddaughter; brother, David (Mary Lou) Garrett; and sister, Kathy (Lee) Shoulders.

Mr. Garrett worked as a dry-wall finisher for OE Schrock in Arthur for many years as well as Trailmobile in Charleston



Garrett

and MasterBrand Cabinets Arthur.

He was a member of Penn Station and the Cowboy Church in Deland.

His passions included live music and he enjoyed singing on stage with fellow parishioners at his churches. When he wasn't watching old westerns or enjoying his "phony" wrestling as he referred to it, he would rejoice in fellowship with his support groups. He loved helping others and was consistently on the road driving folks to take care of their errands or taking road trips to visit his extended family.

Hilligoss Shrader Funeral Home is assisting the family with the arrangements. Online condolences may be shared via hilligossshraderfh.com.

School Board

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ther putting up another \$15,000 scoreboard or go all-out with a dazzling board that would be the envy of the region. "Nothing in between," he said.

He pointed out that the funds for such a scoreboard would come out of the county's sales tax that can be used only for facilities. It would not be taking dollars out of salaries, curriculum or any other educational purpose, he said. Superintendent Gary Alexander said that fund has about \$800,000 in it and received about \$72,000 this month.

Hornaday also stressed that a video board could be used many more events than just football. The Apple-based system could play videos, stream online content and comes with its own "blow your mind" sound system. It could be used during graduation, dance performances, charity events and other school events like North Ward's Tiger Trot that is held on the track.

No other high school in Illi-

nois has the scoreboard he was recommending, Hornaday said. He said the system would also pair well with technology classes and would be operated by students. He suggested that the scoreboard could pay for itself through advertising shown on its screen.

He said the scoreboard would be "a chance to draw attention [to Tuscola] in a positive light ... and return us to a landing zone" for potential residents.

The response from the School Board was mixed. Wade Wilcox said he would love it if he was a teacher promoting technology. "That's where we're at. That's the future."

Darold Spillman said, "Could we get by for less? Yes. Is this better? Yes. My personal opinion is we should go for this."

Other members had questions about the warranty on the scoreboard, how long it would take to receive it and have it installed and whether it would actually pay for itself. "It's a chunk," Chris Rennel said. "I'm not saying it isn't doable."

Jessi Young expressed concern about the cost and asked whether Tuscola needs to have the best high school scoreboard in the state.

Alexander said the decision could be tabled but that it would be "pushing it" to get it installed before the football season begins. Bob Devlin, running the meeting in Brad Ingram's absence, asked if anyone wanted to make a motion to buy the high-end scoreboard with a price not to exceed \$250,000. No one made the motion, so the topic was tabled.

In other business, the Board approved the school calendar for next year. Two calendars were voted on by the teaching staff. Alexander said only 61 teachers participated in the vote and 55 percent selected what was referred to as "calendar four" (from an original selection of four schedules). The Board opted to approve "calendar one" which includes a full week for spring break.

Due to time and space limitations, more details from Monday's meeting will appear in next week's edition.



Church Directory



Bourbon Baptist Church

626 CR 475 E, Tuscola
Church Sunday 10 a.m.,
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
Youth Group Sunday evenings 6-7:30 p.m.
Email bourbon.baptistchurch@yahoo.com

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints

1100 E. Northline Road Tuscola 253-3896
Sunday Morning Sacrament Meeting 9:30 and 10:40 a.m., Wednesday Youth Night 7 p.m.

Church of the Nazarene

1001 Egyptian Trail Tuscola 253-3541
Song & Praise Worship 8:30 a.m.
Traditional/Hymnal Service 10:30 a.m.,
Sunday Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.

Eagle Mountain Assembly of God

401 E. Sale Tuscola 253-4444
Sunday Services 10 a.m.

Faith Baptist Church

300 Northline Road Tuscola 253-4231
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Service 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Adult Bible Study, Real Teens, King's Kids 6:30 p.m.

First Baptist Church

300 E. Daggy Tuscola 253-4231
Sunday School 9 a.m., Worship Service 10 a.m.

First Christian Church

100 E. Church Street Tuscola 253-2394
Worship Services 8 and 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School 9:15 a.m., Sunday Youth Group (Grades 7-12) 6:30 p.m.
Wed. After School Program (Grades 5-6)

First Church of God

821 E. Barker Tuscola 253-2180
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Prayer Time 1:30-2:30 p.m.,
Wednesday Night 6 p.m.
Missionary Women meet
2nd Tuesday of each month 6 p.m.

Forty Martyrs Catholic Church

210 E. Van Allen Tuscola 253-4412
Pastor: Rev. Angel Sierra
Sacrament of Confession: Saturdays 5 p.m.
Or by appointment by calling the church office.

Weekday Mass Times:

8 a.m. Monday, Thursday, and Friday
Weekend Masses: 5:30 p.m.
Saturday, 8 a.m. Sunday

Immanuel Lutheran Church

600 E. Northline Tuscola 253-4341
Saturday Evening Service 5:30 p.m.
Sunday Worship Service 9 a.m.

Tuscola United Methodist Church

901 N. Prairie Tuscola 253-4232
Sunday Morning Worship Services 8:45 a.m. and 11 a.m., Sunday School 10 a.m.

United Church of Christ

114 E. Pembroke St, Tuscola 253-2532
Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30 A.M.
Sunday School: 9:30 A.M.
Email: dealralph5@aol.com

