

Obituaries

Ryan Schrock

Ryan Christopher Schrock, 49, Indianapolis, Ind., formerly of Arthur, passed away on July 25, 2023, surrounded by his family at his sister's residence in Indiana.

Visitation will be held from 1-3:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 5, at Arthur Mennonite Church, 710 E. Park St., Arthur. The funeral service will follow the visitation at 3 p.m. at the church. Pastor Chad Yoder and Pastor Dave Woodrow will officiate. Burial will be in the Arthur Cemetery. The Edwards Funeral Home is assisting Ryan's family with arrangements.

Ryan was born on February 19, 1974, in Decatur, the son of Wilmer A. and Rebecca Marie (Miller) Schrock.

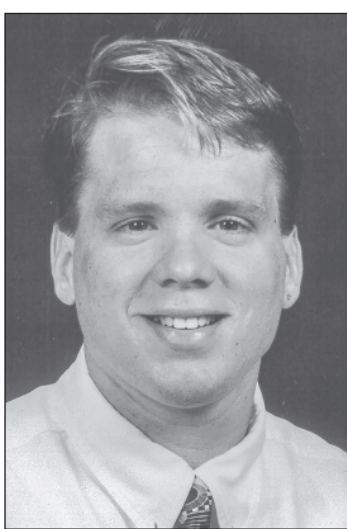
Ryan is survived by his mother, Marie Schrock of Arthur; his sister, DeeAnne Sawin and her husband Jason of Greenwood, Ind.; two nieces, Caitlin and Kristin Sawin, of Indianapolis, Ind.; several aunts and uncles: from his dad's side of the family, Elmer Schrock and his wife Voleta of Arthur; Mary Helmuth and her husband Milton of Hoscht, Ga.; Ada Schrock of Bemidji, Minn.; and Margaret Schrock of Tavares, Fla.; from his mom's side of the family, John Miller of Gresham, Ore., Mel Miller and his wife Anna of Cincinnati, Ohio, Rosanna Breedlove of Arthur; Betty Wolstenholm and her husband Rex of Nolensville, Tenn., Laura Yutzky of Chesterville, Levi Miller and

his wife Jeanie of Neoga, Loni Sparks and her husband Ron of Nashville, Tenn., and David Miller and his wife Karen of Arthur; Ryan also leaves numerous cousins.

He was preceded in death by his father, Wilmer Schrock; his grandparents, Abe and Elizabeth (Stutzman) Schrock, and Jonas and Katherine (Gingerich) Miller; uncles, Ira J. Miller, Dave Schrock, Omer Schrock, Dave Breedlove and Roger Yutzky; his aunt, Cleora Schrock; and three cousins, Tony Bontrager, Owen Golding and Fayette Ropp.

Ryan's educational journey began with his graduation from Arthur High School in 1992. Following that, he obtained his associate degree from Hesston Mennonite College in Hesston, Kan., in 1994. He took classes at ITT Technical Institute in Indianapolis, Ind. His thirst for knowledge led him to earn his bachelor's degree in business administration from Indiana University in 2007.

Ryan had a fulfilling career that spanned over various industries. He worked for Verizon, Mediacom, and Apple prior to landing what he thought was his dream job at Charles Schwab. Ryan soon realized that office work was not for him; he was more of a roll up your sleeve, problem solving kind of guy. He thoroughly loved his job as a hands-on project coordinator at McComb Window and Door Com-



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pany of Indianapolis.

Music played a significant role in Ryan's life from an early age. He played in band all through high school and he found joy being a part of the marching band at Illinois State University and performing in jazz concerts. His passion for music took him to Europe with the Hesston Choir.

In his leisure time, Ryan cherished moments spent with his friends and cousins and especially his nieces.

Ryan's proudest accomplishments were marked by his musical achievements and the experiences that accompanied them. He leaves behind a legacy of dedication and talent that will forever be treasured by those who knew and loved him.

Memorials may be made to the Arthur Christian School.

Annabrooke Alverson

Annabrooke Rae Alverson, 24, of Anderson, Ind., passed away on Monday evening, July 24, 2023.

Mass of Christian Burial was held Monday, July 31, at the Forty Martyrs Catholic Church, Tuscola, with Father Angel Sierra as celebrant. Burial was in the Tuscola Township Cemetery, Tuscola. Visitation was held Sunday, July 30, at the Hilligoss Shrader Funeral Home, Tuscola.

Annabrooke was born on March 23, 1999, at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center, Landstuhl, Germany. She is the beloved daughter of Brian D. and Sandra Carol Brookins Alverson, Jr.

Survivors include her parents; maternal grandmother, Jacki Brookins of Tusco-



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la; maternal aunts and uncles, John (DeAnn) Brookins, James (Marcy) Brookins and Mary (Mark) Smock; paternal aunts and uncles, Jason Alverson, Evonne and Stephanie Alverson; many cousins and

other extended family members.

Annabrooke will be missed by her beloved pets Ariel, Per, Dean-O and Cooper.

She was preceded in death by her paternal grandparents, Brian D. Alverson, Sr. and Ginger Blasi; and maternal grandfather, Carroll Brookins.

Annabrooke was a member of the Autism and ABA community. She loved going on car rides and playing on her iPad. She enjoyed going to her favorite restaurant "Chick-Fil-A" for her favorite fries. Annabrooke loved watching Elmo's World, Wiggles, Little Mermaid and Barney.

Memorials are suggested to the Indiana Donor Network, 3760 Guion Road, Indianapolis, IN 46222

Online condolences may be shared via hilligossshraderfh.com.

Ellen Borntreger

Ellen Marie Borntreger, age 89, of St. Elmo, passed away at 3:07 a.m. Wednesday, July 26, 2023, at Glenwood Assistant Living in Effingham.

Funeral services were Saturday, July 29, at St. Elmo Christian Church with visitation prior to the service. Tom Fedrigo officiated. Burial was at Maplewood Cemetery in St. Elmo. Memorials may go to the Diabetes Association, American Heart Association or the donor's choice. Online condolences may be expressed at www.pagelfuneralhome.com.

Ellen was born on March 12, 1934, in Garrett, the daughter of Richard and Gertrude (Kurse) Suhl. She married Alvin "Al" F. Borntreger on March 5, 1954, in Garrett. Starting in 1977, Ellen drove a school bus for St. Elmo school



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district for 32 years. She also worked at the Family Rescue in St. Elmo as a cook and caterer. Ellen loved the Lord, life, her family and friends. She enjoyed traveling to Branson, Mo., crafting, baking and cook-

ing for others. Ellen had a special love for her azalea bushes, pecan trees and being a service to others.

She is survived by her sons, Mark Borntreger (wife Brenda) of Redmon and Scott Borntreger (wife Michelle) of Auburn; grandchildren, Alan Borntreger (wife Jamie) of Redmon, Dr. Kevin Borntreger (wife Marissa) of Dieterich, Leah Borntreger and Erin Borntreger of Auburn; great-grandchildren, Taran and Bre-Ann of Redmon and Jase, Eli, Conor, and Levi of Dieterich.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Richard and Gertrude Suhl; husband, Al Borntreger; one daughter in infancy, Betty Jean Borntreger; siblings, Phyllis Jean Hughes, Juanita Patterson, Beulah Lacey, Evelyn Kelsheimer, Warren Suhl, Glenn Suhl, and two in infancy.

Wayne Penny

Wayne Russell Penny, 65, of Tuscola, passed away on Tuesday evening, July 25, 2023, at his residence.

Memorial visitation will be held from 2-4 p.m., Saturday, August 5, at the Hilligoss Shrader Funeral Home, 705 South Main Street, Tuscola.

Wayne was born on January 22, 1958, in Peoria, the son of Merle and Catherine Fish Penny. He married Stacey S. Barr on November 18, 2010, in Tuscola. She survives.

Also surviving are his daughters, Casey (Lindsey) Beyers-Penny and Meagan Penny; grandson, Spencer

Rashid; and granddaughters, Nico Barr, Adaleigh Penny, and Lily Barr; stepsons, Justin Barr, Jerad (Cassie) Barr and Jacob Barr.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and son, Zachary Ryan Penny.

Wayne was a jack of all trades. He always had a project going on. Wayne enjoyed remodeling homes and woodworking. He worked as an auto mechanic at Kirby Firestone, Tuscola True Value, Bob's Super Service and Tuscola Do-It Best. He always enjoyed making sure his customers' needs were taken care of. Wayne was an avid Chicago Cubs fan.



Penny

Memorials are suggested to the American Cancer Society.

David Kuhns

David Lynn Kuhns, 59, of rural Sullivan, passed away at 7:56 p.m. on Friday, July 28, 2023, at his residence, surrounded by family.

Visitation was held Sunday, July 30, at Sunnyside Mennonite Church in rural Arcola. Visitation was held Monday, July 31 at Sunnyside. Funeral services were held Tuesday morning, August 1, at Sunnyside Mennonite Church. Pastor Duane Kuhns officiated. Burial was in the Sunnyside Mennonite Church Cemetery.

David was born on March 11, 1964, in Mattoon, a son of Menno and Alma (Kauffman) Kuhns. He married Dawn Renee Hershberger on February 15, 1986, in Nappanee, Ind.

David is survived by his wife, Dawn; four children, Jeremy Kuhns and his wife Sara, Jonny Kuhns and his

wife Verna, Jessica Kuhns, and Janell Kuhns all of Sullivan; six grandchildren, Tiara and Koleon Kuhns and Angela, Stephanie, Alyssa and Ethan "Bubby" Kuhns; two sisters, Irene Kuhns and, Edna Kuhns both of Arthur; two sisters-in-law, Anna Kuhns, of Belleville, Pa., and Leona Kuhns of Sullivan; and his mother-in-law, Ida Mae Hershberger.

David was preceded in death by his parents, Menno and Alma (Kauffman) Kuhns; stepmother, Esther (Herschberger) Kuhns; two brothers, Willard Kuhns and Edwin Kuhns; and his father-in-law, Eugene Hershberger.

David was a member of Living Word Fellowship in Arthur.

David drove a semi for over 15 years. The past year and a half, he has driven for Chester-ville Trucking.

David enjoyed fishing,



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camping, singing, spending time with friends, family, and especially his grandchildren.

To honor David, his family played some of his favorite songs during the visitation and funeral.

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mer and one of the highlights of the Cheese Festival.

Forms are also available at the Arthur Welcome Center, Arthur Graphic-Clarion newspaper office, or contact Stephanie Wierman at 217/620-7460.

Senior movies

The Tuscola Moose is hosting a free movie night for Douglas County residents age 60 and over. The August movie will be at 12:30 p.m. Aug. 9 at the Tuscola Moose. Call Connie at 217-898-3321 or 217-599-1324 to reserve a seat.

Blood drives

There will be a blood drive from 9 a.m. till 1 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 24, at the Tuscola United Methodist Church, 901 N. Prairie St. Reservations are required. Call 800-747-5401 or visit online: bloodcenter.org/group. The group number is 71203.

ImpactLife is holding a community blood drive from 9 a.m. till 1 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 19, in Atwood. The donor bus will be in the Kirby Clinic parking lot, 108 S. Main St. Appointments are required. Call 800-747-5401 or visit online: bloodcenter.org/group. The group number is 71038.

Rat Race Registration

The Arthur Woman's Club Rat Race will be held during the 50th Annual Cheese Festival this Labor Day weekend. The race will be held on Monday, Sept. 4 at 7:30 a.m. There is a 10K course as well as a 5K course. Registration can be done online, on a paper form, or the day of the event. Please go to arthurcheesefestival.com to get a form or submit an online registration.

The race will be timed, and

medals given to the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place male and female participants in each age category. The top male and female finisher for each race (first to finish the course) will be awarded a plaque as well as a monetary gift. They are accepting donations to sponsor the race. If you would like to donate, please reach out to a Woman's Club member or Stephanie Borntreger at 217-254-3647. There is no one-mile fun run or cheese chaser race scheduled for this year. Come out and join in the fun.

Ice Cream Social

The Arthur Mennonite Relief Sale's annual ice cream social will be held at Arthur Community Building on Monday, Aug. 7 from 5-8 p.m. Pulled pork BBQ sandwiches and chips will be offered along with cake and cobblers and homemade ice cream. Donations will be accepted, and the funds raised will be used to cover pre-sale expenses such as advertising, paper goods, etc. Please, come as you are. Come and enjoy the great food.

Forecast

Wednesday: A 40 percent chance of showers. Partly sunny, with a high near 83. South southeast wind 9 to 13 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Wednesday Night: A 50 percent chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 67. South southeast wind 9 to 13 mph, with gusts as high as 18 mph.

Thursday: A 40 percent chance of showers before 1pm. Partly sunny, with a high near 87.

Thursday Night: A 40 percent chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 68.

Friday: A chance of showers, with thunderstorms also possible after 1pm. Mostly sunny, with a high near 89. Chance of precipitation is 30%.

Friday Night: A chance of showers. Partly cloudy, with a low around 65.

Saturday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 85.

Saturday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 63.

Sunday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 85.

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