

# Obituaries

## Lester Thompson

Lester Thompson, 91, of Ames, Iowa, formerly of Arcola died on March 14, 2023. He was born on May 20, 1931. Arcola, Illinois was his home while growing up. He graduated from Arcola High School in 1949. Following high school Lester farmed for a short time with his father and then worked at a chemical plant in Tuscola, Illinois.

He met his wife, Mary, at a square dance. They square danced through their lives together after their marriage in 1951 in a country church in rural Illinois.

After 10 years of marriage, Mary and their four little boys began the college journey. Lester enrolled in Agriculture Engineering at the University of Illinois in Champaign where he finished his undergraduate studies in Mechanical Engineering. He earned his MS in Mechanical Engineering and then went onto Purdue University in Lafayette, Indiana where he received his PH.D in Mechanical Engineering. Following graduation he was employed in Tennessee before moving to Sunstrand (Now

Danfoss) in Ames. He retired from Danfoss in 1999. Mary was the assistant Director of the College of Engineering Career Services. Cancer claimed her life in 1995.

In addition to his square dancing activities, Lester contributed to community service through service projects of the Kiwanis. He was a dedicated voice with the Golden K Singers and a member of the First Christian Church.

Lester is survived by two sisters, Margaret (Larry) Nagreski of Bloomington, IL and Linda (Bethel) Turner of Kirksville, MO; 14 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren. Preceding him in death were his parents, brother Clyde, sister Anna Seaman, wife Mary, four sons, Michael, Paul, Nelson, and Doug, and daughter-in-law, Annise.

Graveside services will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 15, 2023 at the Arcola Cemetery with Pastor Brent Budd officiating. Shrader Funeral Home, Arcola, is assisting the family with arrangements.

Online condolences to the family may be shared at [www.hilligossshraderfh.com](http://www.hilligossshraderfh.com)

### LEGAL NOTICE

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT DOUGLAS COUNTY, ILLINOIS IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN EDWARD WILSON, SR., NO. 2023-PR-8 DECEASED. NOTICE OF DEATH AND CLAIM PERIOD**

Notice is hereby given to creditors of the death of JOHN EDWARD WILSON, SR.. Letters of Office were issued on March 17, 2023, to JOHN E. WILSON, JR., of 671 E CR 1550 N, Pesotum, IL 61863, and JEFFERY A. WILSON, of 1248 E CR 1150 N, Tuscola, IL 61953, as Co-Administrators, and whose attorney of record is HANNAH E. WINCE, 7 North Main Street, Villa Grove, IL 61956.

Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Circuit Clerk's Office, Douglas County Court-house, 401 S. Center Street, Tuscola, Illinois 61953, or with the personal representative, or both, on or before the 29th day of September, 2023, or, if mailing or delivery of a notice from the representative is required by Sec. 5/18-3 of the Probate Act, the date stated in that notice. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the claimant to the representative and to the attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed.

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### LEGAL NOTICE

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT DOUGLAS COUNTY, ILLINOIS IN THE INTEREST OF A.D.V., Minor No. 2023 JD 2 NOTICE TO: ADRIAN VASQUEZ, SR.**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on the 9th day of March, 2023, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act of 1987, by Kate Watson, Douglas County State's Attorney in the Circuit Court of Douglas County, Illinois, entitled "In the Interest of, A.D.V., a minor" and that in Courtroom No. 1 in the Douglas County Courthouse in the City of Tuscola, Illinois, on the 3rd day of May, 2023 at the hour of 3:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as this cause may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the child declared to be a ward of the court under that Act. THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS PROCEEDING TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR, TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS, AND TO APPOINT A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION. YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD.

Unless you appear you will not be entitled to further written notices or publication notices of the proceedings in this case, including the filing of an amended petition or a motion to terminate parental rights. Now, unless you appear at the hearing and show cause against the petition, the allegations of the petition may stand admitted as against each of you, and an order or judgment entered.

Natan Burton  
Circuit Clerk  
Clerk of the Circuit Court of Douglas County, Illinois  
Dated: March 28, 2023  
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# Emergency Response

## Tuscola

Friday, April 7

Tuscola Police received a report of a semi-truck driving off from Labo's Truck Stop without paying at 3:45 p.m.

Tuscola Police were called to Ervin Park at 8:52 p.m. regarding a foul balling hitting a back windshield.

Tuscola Police spoke with a resident regarding harassment from another person at the Douglas County Sheriff's office. Police advised the subject of their options.

Tuscola Police were called to the 800 block of North Court regarding dogs barking at 12:20 a.m. that have been out since 5 p.m. A person at the residence said they would bring the dogs inside.

Emergency Medical Services transported a person from the 900 block of Meadowview to Carle at 1:30 p.m. for a dog bite. Animal Control contacted the dog owner.

Tuscola Police were called to the 900 block of Timmons at 2:53 p.m. to contact a parent of a child who sent allegedly threatening messages to another juvenile.

Tuscola Police called Union Pacific regarding railroad arms malfunctioning at Parke, Niles and Main Street at 2:27 p.m.

Thursday, April 6

Tuscola Police were dispatched to the 500 block of East Northline to provide medical assistance regarding a suicidal subject. The resident went voluntarily with medical services.

Wednesday, April 5

Tuscola Police assisted Villa Grove Police Department in a pursuit at 4 p.m. The vehicle headed north into Champaign County and then further east. Villa Grove Police terminated the pursuit.

Tuscola Police met with Mattoon Police Department at 10:15 a.m. regarding a ju-

venile who was picked up on a juvenile warrant. The juvenile was transported to Charleston.

Tuscola Police were called to the 800 block of East Overton regarding a complaint from a neighbor being allegedly harassed. Police left statement forms.

Tuscola Police and Fire Department were called to a structural fire at the 200 block of East Ensey at 12:05 a.m. The homeowner's hoverboard exploded and caught fire. Tuscola Police extinguished the small fire in the living room and the Fire Department removed the hoverboard from the residence.

Tuesday, April 4

Tuscola Police were called to Ervin Park at 5:50 regarding juveniles drawing on a building with rocks.

Tuscola Police performed a welfare check at a residence in the 200 block of East Buckner. Police received distress calls from a Starbucks. Police were unable to locate or contact the residents. A 12-year-old girl later called and stated her cousins were prank-calling Starbucks.

Monday, April 3

Tuscola Police transported an intoxicated subject to Sarah Bush Hospital from the 1000 block of Parkside at 3:34 p.m.

## Villa Grove

The following is activity for the Villa Grove Police Department April 2-8:

- Written Warnings-9
- Traffic Citations-9
- Ordinance Violations-4
- Assist Arrow Ambulance-2
- Assist Douglas County Sheriff's Office-2
- Reckless Driver-1
- Warrant Arrest-1
- Theft-1
- Animal Complaints-2
- Animal Cruelty Arrest-1

### LEGAL NOTICE

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS DOUGLAS COUNTY, ILLINOIS IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN CHARLES HUFFER, DECEASED No. 2022-PR-21 NOTICE OF DEATH AND CLAIM PERIOD**

NOTICE IS GIVEN TO KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS AND CLAIMANTS: Letters of Administration were issued on May 16, 2022, to JASON HUFFER, Administrator of the Estate of JOHN CHARLES HUFFER, Deceased. The Attorney for the Estate is J. STEVEN BECKETT of STEVE BECKETT LAW OFFICE, LLC, 508 S. Broadway Ave. Urbana, Illinois, 61801. Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, 401 S. Center Street, Tuscola, Illinois, or with the Executor (care of her attorney), or both, within six (6) months from the date of this Notice. Any claim not filed on or before said date is barred. Copies of the claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the Representative via her Attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed.

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**ASSUMED NAME PUBLICATION NOTICE**

Public Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, March 21, 2023, a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of DOUGLAS County, Illinois, setting forth the names and post-office addresses of all of the persons owning, conducting, and transacting the business known as:  
A & A SERVICES  
320 N WALNUT ST.  
ARCOLA, IL 61910  
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Judi Pollock, County Clerk  
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### LEGAL NOTICE

**ASSUMED NAME PUBLICATION NOTICE**

Public Notice is hereby given that on Monday, March 27, 2023, a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of DOUGLAS County, Illinois, setting forth the names and post-office addresses of all of the persons owning, conducting, and transacting the business known as:  
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210 WEST SOUTH STREET  
GARRETT IL 61913  
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## Peace Meal Menu

**Monday, Apr. 17** - Bacon, Egg & Cheese Bake, Roasted Vegetables, Chunky Applesauce, Juice, Biscuit

**Tuesday, Apr. 18** - Meatloaf, Creamed Peas & Potatoes, Baked Tomatoes, Fruit, Bread

**Wednesday, Apr. 19** - Beef Stew w/ Vegetables, Sweet Potato, Souffle Cucumber Salad, Roll

**Thursday, Apr. 20** - Penne Pasta with Meatballs & Marinara, Italian Vegetables, Peas, Romaine Salad

**Friday, Apr. 21** - Hawaiian Chicken, Baked Beans, Asparagus, Tropical Fruit, Bread

Call 800-543-1770 for reservation information. Skim milk and desserts with no sugar added are available in many locations. Ask the site supervisor for information. Sometimes we need to substitute on our menus. We still guarantee a nutritious meal. The Peace Meal Senior Nutrition Program suggests a donation of \$3.50 for each congregant and home delivered meal. No older person shall be denied a meal because of their failure to contribute all or part of the cost of the meal. We accept the Illinois Link Card.

## City

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According to Hoel, the existing control valve is not operating perfectly and leads to occasional overflow at the Tuscola Water Tower, which adds cost to water operations. The valve tends to fail when the upstream pressure is not high enough. This seems to happen when high demand downstream to Cabot and Arcola or West Prairie lowers the pressure.

The Illinois EPA approved the project plan for the Master Meter Station replacement and Meadowview Water Main replacement. It is likely that the project will at least receive loan funding. The application is entering a scoring process to determine the interest rate and principal forgiveness, which is a portion of the loan that would be forgiven upon completion.

The Council approved the purchase of a replacement lawnmower that was ordered in the summer of 2021. The cost of the mower is \$22,223, which has been budgeted for.

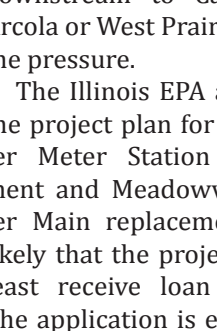
The cost does not include a trade-in. Hoel explains that the city would keep the old one to use at Wimple Park and as a spare. The city has not heard anything new on a second new mower, which is included.

The City is still awaiting a revised site plan from Elk Development LLC, a division of Pivot Energy Inc., for the proposed solar project, which would be located south of Southland Acres Subdivision along the Egyptian Trail. Once the city receives it, a special use permit application will be presented to the Council.

During the demolition of the Castle Mall, a time capsule was found within a cornerstone. Hoel is working with the Douglas County Museum on details but it is planned to be opened at the May 8th City Council meeting, the same date as the 165th anniversary of the Tuscola Presbyterian Church founding.

The City Council gave a moment of silence for Marta Slaughter, who died suddenly on Sunday. Marta was the wife of Alderman David Slaughter.

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## CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR STEVE SANDERSON

There will be a celebration of life gathering for Steve Sanderson at the Moose Lodge, 807 E. Southline Road, Tuscola, IL on April 29, 2023, from 1pm to 5 pm.

The gathering will be informal, as those who knew Steve, will understand this is what he would want.

*In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Tuscola Moose Lodge or donor's choice.*

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