

Obituaries

Rick Moss

Rick D. Moss, 61, of Tuscola, passed away on Sunday, August 13, 2023, at Carle Foundation Hospital, Urbana.

On Wednesday August 23, 2023, his visitation will be held from 5-6 p.m. with a Celebration of Life following at 6 p.m. at the Hilligoss Shrader Funeral Home, 705 South Main Street, Tuscola.

Rick was born January 16, 1962, in Charleston, to Arthur and Barbara (VanZant) Moss.

He was preceded in death by his paternal and maternal grandparents; as well as his Aunt Dianne Moss.

He is survived by his parents; his sister, Karen Moss; his daughters, Lauren (Ian Campbell) Moss and Allison Moss.

He is also survived by his extended family of Loren Dean



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Moss, Adam (Barbara) Moss and Andra (Peter) Moss, Annis (Ronald) Guenther, Dawn (David) Wendt, and Renee (Anthony) Alberico.

Rick was a business owner and graphic designer at Bee Graphics in Arcola. He was an avid race fan, particularly at Coles County Speedway. He enjoyed watching a variety of sporting events and competitions, including Cubs baseball, Illinois football, and any soccer or dance teams his daughters were a part of. Rick was especially compassionate regarding his pets, in particular his beloved cat, Pumpkin.

To commemorate his love of animals, in lieu of flowers, the family is requesting donations to the A.W.O.O.F. Program through the Animal Health Care Center in Arcola.

Online condolences may be shared via hilligossshraderfh.com.

Lyle Johns

Lyle W. Johns, 84, of Tuscola, passed away at 9:39 a.m. on Wednesday, August 9, 2023, at Aspen Creek in Sullivan.

Visitation for Lyle was held Sunday, August 13, at the Edwards Funeral Home, Arcola. Funeral services were held Monday, August 14, at the Edwards Funeral Home. Pastor Duane Piercy officiated. The burial was in the Tuscola Cemetery.

Lyle was born on September 6, 1938, at Jarman Hospital in Tuscola, to Raymond and Thriisia (Elam) Johns. He married Maryanne Duncan on July 31, 1965, at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church near Bongard.

He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Maryanne Johns; and two sons, Brent (Toni) Johns of Galena, and Brad (Susan) Johns of Villa Grove; four grandchildren, Austin and Jack Johns and Emma and Cameron Johns; four siblings, Doris Sanders of Summerfield, Fla., Connie (John) Gilles of Villa Grove, Beverly Allen of Chesterfield, Mo., and Mary (Jim)

Baird of Arcola.

Lyle was preceded in death by his parents; and four siblings, Harold Johns, Lloyd Johns, Betty Guth and Barbara Gibson.

Lyle was a 1958 graduate of Arcola High School, where he lettered in sports. He also attended Eastern Illinois University and Decatur Barber College.

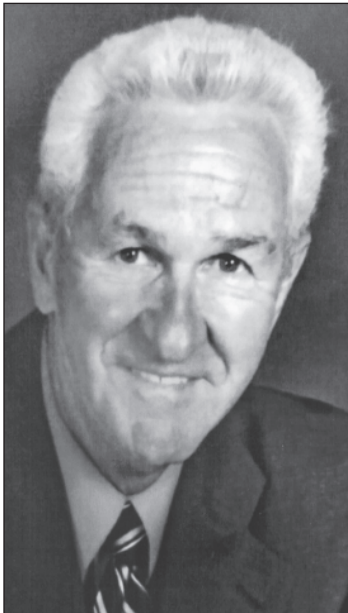
He began his farming career with his brother, Lloyd Johns, and farmed for 40 years.

Lyle was an avid hunter, fisherman, golfer, and airplane pilot. He was especially proud of the log cabin that he, his sons, many friends and “head contractor” Dale Bingman built in the woods. Lyle loved hunting mushrooms, four wheeling on the trails and hosting “deer camp” in the fall for his hunting buddies.

Lyle and Maryanne enjoyed spending the winter months in Sebring, Fla., for several years.

Lyle loved his family, relatives and friends and enjoyed all the gatherings and celebrations that were shared.

He attended the Victory



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Church in Camargo.

The Johns family greatly appreciates the caring staff and residents at Aspen Creek for their love and support shown to Lyle, and to Traditions Hospice for their great guidance, emotional and spiritual support.

Memorials were made to the Arcola Foundation in Memory of Lyle Johns or to Traditions Hospice of Decatur.

Bill Kauffman

Willard Lawrence “Bill” Kauffman, 83, of Arcola, passed away peacefully in his sleep on August 17, 2023.

Visitation was held Tuesday, August 22, at the Edwards Funeral Home, Arcola. Funeral services were held Tuesday morning at the funeral home. Burial with Military Rites conducted by the Arcola Honor Guard followed in the Arthur Cemetery.

Bill was the son of the late Eli J. and Edna (Yoder) Kauffman. He was born in a rural farmhouse west of Bagdad School on April 8, 1940. He was very proud of his Amish heritage.

He is survived by his children, Troye (Herlinda) Kauffman, Darla (Pierre) Chouinard, Laura (Daniel) Henry and Trina Kauffman; seven grandchildren, Andrew (Katie) Kauffman, Micaela Kauffman, Janelle (Drew) Chouinard-King, Phillip (Karen) Chouinard, Morgan Henry - fiancé Sean O’Connor, Holly (Andrew) Jackson, and Patrick (Ashley) Henry; 10 great-grandchildren, Anthony Kauffman, Lucia and Liv Lennon, Grant, Raelle, Dakota and Colt Jackson and William,

Wren and Teddy Henry.

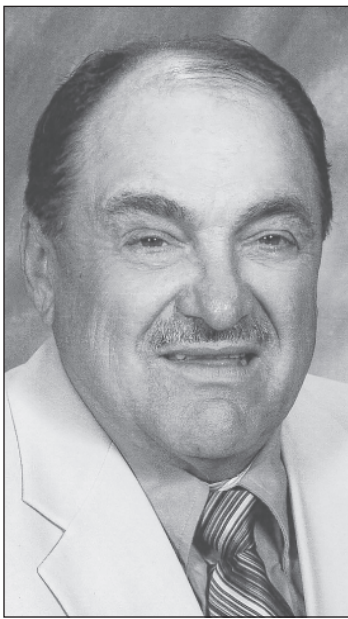
He was one of six children: Elsie (Ed) Cisna, Marti (Dave) Miller, Elva (Melanie) Kauffman, Edwin “Eddie” (Phyllis) Kauffman and Michael (Marie) Kauffman.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Elsie; and brother, Eddie; and brother-in-law, Ed.

Bill received his 8th grade certificate from Bagdad School. He enlisted in the Army at Jefferson Barracks in St Louis, Mo., and earned his GED while serving. While in the Army he served as a Quartermaster at Fort Ord, Calif., and Okinawa, Japan.

Bill became a Design Certified Engineer through an apprenticeship program at Progress Industries in Arthur. He then worked for Raven Trailers and was an engineer/draftsman and designed tanks for The Heil Company in Lancaster, Pa. In 1972, he and wife Kathy moved the family back to Arcola to start Bulk-Tek Sales and Leasing.

Bill enjoyed music and played guitar in his younger years. He knew every highway and byway across the Midwest. He loved to drive in search of tanks, tractors, cars and an-



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tiques. He enjoyed attending Thresherman’s reunions, tractor shows, farm shows and auctions. He looked forward to the annual Amish Country Tractor Cruise held in Arthur. He also knew the lineage of every tank trailer he designed, bought, and sold.

Bill was a previous member of the Lions Club and proud to belong to the American Legion.

Memorials may be made to the Arcola American Legion or to the Amish Interpretive Center.

Douglas County Court

Marriage Licenses

Mary Lou Payne, Tuscola, and Christie Lane Fields, Villa Grove.

Christina Marie Howard, Atwood, and Bradley Jack Carter, Atwood.

Caitlin Rose Burnett, Arcola, and Daniel Alejandro Rodriguez Perez, Arcola.

Real Estate

P. Scott Ingram and Iliana D. Trifonova Ingram granted Danielle Cruzan a warranty deed at 810 E Ficklin St. Tuscola. Parcel number: 09-02-34-437-020.

Danielle Cruzan granted First State Mortgage Services LLC and Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. a mortgage at 810 E. Ficklin St. Tuscola. Parcel number: 09-02-34-437-020.

Pamela Kay and Terry Schroeder granted Heidi Lynn Smith a warranty deed at 703 S. Court St. Tuscola. Parcel number: 09-02-34-340-006.

Heidi Lynn Smith granted Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. and Primestending a Plainscapital Co. a mortgage at 703 S. Court St. Tuscola. Parcel number: 09-02-34-340-006.

First State Mortgage Services LLC and Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. granted Nicholas Phillips a satisfaction of mortgage at 906 E. Fairview Dr. Tuscola. Parcel number: 09-08-02-102-016.

Ashley and Justin Maurer granted Quicken Loans Inc., Quicken Loans LLC and Rocket mortgage a modification of mortgage at 206 E. Adams Ave. Villa Grove. Parcel number: 04-03-11-105-008.

Morton Community Bank granted Wilmer Otto and State Bank of Arthur TR #10 a release mortgage at parcel number: 02-07-31-100-016.

Farm Credit Illinois FLCA and Farm Credit Services granted Joan and Larry Little a release mortgage at parcel numbers: 09-02-36-400-011 and 09-02-25-300-002.

Trust bank granted Glen A. and Sandra L. Simpson a release mortgage at 410 E. Wilson and 304 Ket Dr. Tuscola. Parcel numbers: 09-02-34-401-015 and 09-08-03-205-007.

Glen and Sandra L. Simpson granted Trustbank a mortgage at 410 E. Wilson Tuscola. Parcel number: 09-02-34-401-015.

Ann M. Trust and Ann M. Trustee Maxwell granted George Maxwell Farms LLC a trustee’s deed at parcel number: 06-04-31-200-003.

Cliff H. and Michelle A. Strader granted Buckler Brothers Properties LLC a warranty deed at 810 N. Indiana St. Hindsboro. Parcel numbers: 03-16-06-305-002 and 03-16-06-305-003.

Farm Credit Services granted Gary E. and Vicki L. Luth and Prairie Ridge Farms Inc. a release mortgage.

Jesse and Maggie Roberts granted Secretary of Housing and Urban Development a subordination of mortgage at 214 N. Pine St. Arcola. Parcel number: 01-14-04-413-004.

Corey and William R. Humes granted Andrew and Heather Ann Corum a warranty deed at 709 Southland Circle Dr. Tuscola. Parcel number: 09-08-03-204-005.

Andrew and Heather Ann Corum granted Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgage Research Center and Veterans United Home Loans a mortgage at 709 Southland Circle Dr. Tuscola. Parcel number: 09-08-03-204-005.

Kenneth Raye and Melissa Ann Thrombi granted United Community Bank an assignment at 301 Michigan St. Hindsboro. Parcel number: 03-16-06-322-007.

E. Ann Denk granted Mark A. Sr. Denk a quit claim deed at 103 S. Coffin St. Newman. Parcel number: 07-06-31-311-002.

David A. Albin granted Lucas A. Bosch a warranty deed at parcel number: 07-06-31-100-028.

Katie A. Apel and Katie A. Smith granted Bryce R. and Katie A. Apel a warranty deed at 305 Paul St. Villa Grove. Parcel number: 04-03-03-400-008.

First State Bank granted First State Bank and Trust and Sarah L. Lawrence a release mortgage at 302 E. Pinzon St. Tuscola. Parcel number: 09-02-34-334-007.

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Lois M. Douglas granted Gregory K. and Jan M. Hastings a warranty deed at 1113 Egyptian Trail Tuscola. Parcel number: 09-08-02-108-001.

Astrid and Mario Lopez granted Astrid Y., James W. and John W. Lopez an affidavit.

Astrid, James and Mario Lopez granted Astrid, James and John Lopez a warranty deed at 248 Pine St. Arcola. Parcel number: 01-14-04-433-009.

Elizabeth and John A. Leamon granted Audrey and Elliot Harriss a warranty deed at 706 S. Center Tuscola. Parcel number: 09-02-34-338-012.

Audrey and Elliot Harriss granted INB National Association a mortgage at 706 S. Center Tuscola. Parcel number: 09-02-34-338-012.

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Kaylee Campbell granted Taylor J. Liebe a quit claim deed at 700 W. Vandoren St. Newman. Parcel number: 07-06-31-112-014.

PNC Mortgage granted Sara L. Pittman a release mortgage at 114 Holiday Dr. Tuscola. Parcel number: 09-02-27-303-013.

ELK Development LLC granted Pivot Energy IL 21 LLC an assignment at parcel number: 09-02-27-300-001.

Benjamin C., Benjamin Cole and Lacey A. Morgan granted Prairie State Bank and Trust a mortgage at 774 N CR 1475 E Tuscola. Parcel number: 03-09-09-200-010.

Phil Jordon granted Tamara H. Grafton and William Gary Manley misc. document at 206 W. Main St. Murdock. Parcel number: 06-04-33-109-005.

Ira M. Gingrich granted Fannie Marie and Stephen K. Kauffman a release mortgage at parcel number: 02-07-29-100-015.

Fairway Independent Mortgage Corporation and Mort-

gage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. granted Ralph Wiekert a release mortgage at 502 E. Scott St. Tuscola. Parcel number: 09-02-34-422-006.

Brian Lee Executor and James Patrick Carr granted Aaron and Kimberly Cress an executor’s deed at 213 Matteson Dr. Villa Grove. Parcel number: 04-03-11-202-007.

Aaron and Kimberly Cress granted Philo Exchange Bank a mortgage at 213 Matteson Dr. Villa Grove. Parcel number: 04-03-11-202-007.

Aaron and Kimberly Cress granted Matthew Falls a warranty deed at 909 Harrison St. Villa Grove. Parcel number: 04-03-11-202-005.

Matthew Falls granted Churchill Mortgage Corporation a mortgage at 909 Harrison St. Villa Grove. Parcel number: 04-03-11-202-005.

Matthew Falls granted Illinois Housing Development Authority a subordination of mortgage at 909 Harrison St. Villa Grove. Parcel number: 04-03-11-202-005.

North American Mortgage Company and Specialized Loan Servicing LLC granted Raymond and Tamara Southard a release mortgage at 303 E. Elm St. Villa Grove. Parcel number: 04-03-02-312-002.

First Bank and Trust IL and First Mid Bank and Trust NA granted Brett and Catherine Addikisson a release mortgage at 202 E. Daggy St. Tuscola. Parcel number: 09-02-34-310-017.

Marjorie A. Hawkins granted Donna Fry power of attorney at parcel number: 09-02-34-212-009.

Marjorie A. Hawkins granted Angelique Cain a warranty deed at 701 E. Newark St. Tuscola. Parcel number: 09-02-34-212-009.

Juanita Josephine Marner granted Matthew Lynn Yoder a warranty deed at parcel number: 02-13-15-100-017.

Matthew Lynn Yoder granted Farm Credit Illinois FLCA a mortgage at parcel number: 02-13-15-100-017.

Farm Credit Illinois FLCA granted Juanita Josephine Marner a release mortgage at parcel number: 02-13-15-100-011.

Farm Credit Illinois FLCA granted Lydia and Lydia Mae Marner a release mortgage at parcel number: 02-13-15-100-012.

Kelly A. and Mary Elizabeth Ohara granted Colton Yeakley a warranty deed at 1290 N CR 450 E Tuscola. Parcel number: 05-01-15-400-006.

Colton Yeakley granted Morton Community Bank a mortgage at 1290 N CR 450 E Tuscola. Parcel number: 05-01-15-400-006.

Jeremiah Manning granted a warranty deed to William Benjamin Blair and Cathy Jo Trotter at parcel numbers: 06-04-20-300-003, 06-04-20-300-005 and 06-04-20-300-006.

William Benjamin Blair and Cathy Jo Trotter granted Flat Branch Mortgage a mortgage at 1980 E CR 1150 N Villa Grove. Parcel numbers: 06-04-20-300-003, 06-04-20-300-005 and 06-04-20-300-006.

Brian Davis and Suzanne Knauss granted Prairie Power Inc. and easement at parcel number: 01-14-16-300-002.

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expenses. For 50 percent of the county engineer’s salary, the Illinois Department of Transportation transfers \$71,623 of federal service program funds in return for an equal amount of state funds distributed into the motor fuel tax fund.

The Board approved two bridge replacement contracts. The first near Arcola on 1100 E. 550 N., was approved for

\$408,888, which was 4.7 percent below the project estimate, according to Luth.

The second bridge is near Bowdre Township on 100 N. County Rd., a mile and a quarter west of Illinois Route 130. The contract was approved for \$183,702, which is 22.8 percent below the estimate.

The Board approved the purchase of three desks from Das Bauhaus for \$15,150 for the Supervisor of Assessments office. Old furniture will go to

the Douglas County Sheriff’s Department.

The Board also received a plaque from the Douglas County Farm Bureau. The current president, Jeff Young, presented the plaque in thanks to the Board’s pro-ag resolution in a previous meeting.

“I feel like our organization and your board is very aligned. If there’s anything the organization can do to support the board, they will be happy to help,” said Young.

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