

# OBITUARIES



## ELIZABETH K. "LIZ" ROBERSON

Elizabeth K. "Liz" Roberson, 63, of Magnolia, passed away at her home on Wednesday January 28, 2026 at 10:10 am.

Cremation rites have been accorded. A memorial visitation will be held on Saturday February 7, 2026, from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. at Calvert & Johnson Memorial Home in Henry. Memorials may be directed to the family.

Liz was born February 27, 1962, in Spring Valley, IL to Mearl and Shirley (Roth) Cordes. She married Kenny Roberson on February 14, 1997, in Ottawa, IL. He preceded her in death on November 26, 2025.

Surviving are her children, Shaun Roberson of Princeton, Bobette Roberson of Ottawa, Lisa (Joe) Gallup of Arkansas and Kenya (Chris) Machetta, of Marseilles; three grandchildren; her siblings, Beverly Kocher of Henry, Phyllis Bianchi of Hennepin, Val (Jim) Hofer of Putnam, Debbie Coan of Granville, Michelle (Rick) Struglinski of Spring Valley, David (Dawn) Cordes of Bloomington, and Danelle (Jim) Yahas of McNabb.

Her parents, and two sisters, Audrey and Madalyn, preceded her in death.

Liz had worked as the assistant manager at the Henry Casey's Store for over 18 years.

Online condolences may be made to: [www.calvertmemorial.com](http://www.calvertmemorial.com).

## MERCEDES "HELEN" MODRO

Mercedes "Helen" "Mama Mo" Modro, 95, of Toluca, passed away Wednesday January 28, 2026, 7:35 am at her home in Toluca.

Cremation rites have been accorded. A celebration of her life will be held at later date. Memorial contributions may be directed to the Eastern Marshall County EMS.

Calvert-Johnson & Froelich Memorial Home, Toluca is assisting the family.

Mercedes was born on September 23, 1930, in El Paso, TX to Demetrio and Petra (Hernandez) Aluprado. She married Willis "Red" Modro November 1, 1948, in El Paso, Texas. He preceded her in death on June 23, 1992.

Surviving are her children, David Modro, Bob (Kim) Modro, both of Toluca; 10 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren and 4 great-great-grandchildren; and 2 sisters.

Her parents; one son, Charlie Modro; 2 daughters, Patsey, Karen Jean; and a daughter-in-law, Karen Modro; 3 sisters; and two brothers preceded her in death.

Mercedes was a member of St. Ann's Catholic Church, Toluca.

She was a homemaker who loved to cook, dance, go fishing and spend time with her family and grandchildren. Her big love in life was Elvis Presley.

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# MMS Students Named To 2nd Quarter Honor Roll

Midland Middle School has announced the honor roll and high honor roll for the second quarter. High honor roll students have a GPA of 4.0 to 3.5. Honor roll students maintain a GPA of 3.49 to 3.0. Congratulations to these students.

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5th Honor Roll: Harper R. Blunier, Jasmine R. Burkhalter, Aiden M. Davis, Ty P. Grisham, Fiona H. Misicka, Christian Schlosser, Weston Swanson, Raevyn B. Terry, and Theo S. Winkler

6th High Honor Roll: Chase Allen, Taylor Allen, Jullien A. Auza, Finley J. Bakel, Blayne M. Bennett, Eli A. Buchanan, Jahmiah M. Burns, Emmett J. Dorsey, Hunter W. Eakins, Aubryn H. Eberle, Madelyn R. Fitschen, Olivia F. Frank, Lissandra A. Gonzalez, Jase O. Halsne, Kaylor A. Hattan, Hannah Hopper, Landen J. House, Kinsley A. Long, Cooper R. Martin, Ben M. McGlasson, Tinley J. Meils, Darren Murphy, Parker D. Nelson, Weston D. Przybylinski, Jase H. Pyles, Emersyn R. Roberts, Avery K. Schaer, Arabella K. SchlosserHarper M. Shields, Aubree R. Stokes, Finley J. Szalko, Nora A. Szalko, and Judson C. Wier.

6th Honor Roll: Kennedi E. Doll and Lilly E. Spears

7th High Honor Roll: Elle E. Anthony, Case C. Bade, Eamon Benne, Karilynn N. Davis, Leila J. Elsasser, Nathaniel G. Gonzalez, Evelyn M. Greenway, Ella E. Harlan, Kaelyn C. Jackson, August E. Junker, Marlee E. Keith, Micah L. Kelly, Carson J. Lawson, Jameson E. Long, Levi M. Mannon, Beau G. Mogler, Veronica L. Murphy, Isaac Pyles, Luna N. Russell, Madison R. Slimko, Brielle Stickel, Kayla R. Streitmatter, and Tess M. Winkler.

7th Honor Roll: Gemma K. Barnett, Aurora M. Cherveney, Brantley Fulkerson, Torin M. Gaffney, Conner T. Graham, Kira S. Monceret, Emillie L. Reinhart,

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