

OBITUARIES



ELVA JANE "MAMO" HEAD

Elva Jane "Mamo" Head, 87, fell asleep in Jesus on April 23, 2026, peacefully at her residence. Elva was born on Thanksgiving Day in rural Henry on November 24, 1938, to William and Darlene (Vincent) Spicer.

At five years old she attended a one-room schoolhouse. Elva was baptized in a creek south of Sparland. She graduated from Sparland High School in 1956 at 17 years old and immediately moved to Peoria for employment.

Elva's first employer was Illinois Retail Farm Equipment where she was a bookkeeper for five years. She then went to State Farm Insurance Agency's district office as an office manager and bookkeeper. Later she was employed by Penn Mutual Insurance Company, holding the same position. In 1971, Elva started at the Kickapoo Council of Girl Scouts as an office manager and worked there for 30 years. She retired as the Fund Development and Property Manager, doing whatever was necessary to support the Council.

She loved her family farm and was proud of her country roots. The work ethics taught as a farm girl stayed with her throughout her life.

Elva enjoyed her family and cherished spending time with her daughter and son-in-law. She was fond of traveling via motorcycle with her brothers. Her hobbies were crafts, sewing, and playing a variety of card games.

Elva leaves behind her loving daughter Vickie (Donald) Fleming; her brother, William "Bill" (Betty)

Spicer; and sister-in-law, Donna Spicer; three grandchildren, and several great grandchildren.

Elva was preceded in death by her parents and her brother, Russell Spicer.

Elva was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church in Peoria, IL where services will be held on May 21, 2026. Visitation will begin at 10:00 am with a Memorial Service directly following at 11:00 am. Pastor Matthew Synnott will be officiating. A Celebration of Life Luncheon will be held directly after the Memorial Service at Trinity Lutheran.

A private interment will be at a later date at Sparland Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions and donations can be granted to Vickie for memorial gardens with personalized benches.

Condolences and memories may be shared on our website at SchmidtHaller.com.



LUCRETIA A. "CHRIS" SENDELBACH

Lucretia A. "Chris" Sendelbach, 83, of Henry, passed away Friday, April 24, 2026, at 8:05 p.m. at Henry Rehab & Nursing in Henry.

Visitation will be Thursday, April 30, 2026, from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. at Calvert & Johnson Memorial Home in Henry. Funeral services will follow at 11:00 a.m. Pastor Terry Broady will officiate. Burial will follow at the Henry Cemetery.

Memorials may be directed to the Ladies Auxiliary, American Legion Post #323 in Henry, IL.

Chris was born on December 11, 1942, in Malden, MO, to John Benson and Melba Louise (Gaither) Tanner. She married Emanuel Korfias on February 17, 1961. He preceded her in death on December 10, 1985. She later married Lawrence E. Sendelbach on January 11, 1989, in Las Vegas, NV. He survives in Henry.

Surviving children are Anita (John) Lou of Henry; Frank (Susan) Korfias of Henry; and Karen (Joe) Cappitelli of Clearwater, FL. Surviving stepchildren are Mark (Barbara) Sendelbach of New Jersey and Jill Harrell of South Carolina; six grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, and one brother, Ronald (Carol) Kurmis of Bergheim, TX, also survive her.

Her parents, one daughter, Evelyn Korfias, and her son-in-law, Gary Rom, preceded her in death.

Chris was a member of the Illinois Home Extension and a Girl Scouts leader. She was a highly involved member of the Ladies Auxiliary to the local American Legion, proudly making many "Quilts of Valor" for area veterans. Chris had worked at Watercott's and was a replacement Postmaster at the Putnam, IL Post Office.

Chris was a very crafty lady, having many interests and talents. She enjoyed cooking and baking, for which she will be fondly remembered. She was famous for her many pies and for her baklava. She enjoyed sharing her culinary skills with others and was published in Taste of Home cooking magazine.

Chris was also a very accomplished seamstress, making many costumes. Her talents showed in her love of crafts and in sharing them with her family and friends. She loved plants and gardening and had the patience to grow orchids. Chris won many ribbons for her entries in the M-P Fair. Her various talents in life touched many people.

She will be remembered for never knowing a stranger and for always being willing to share a story about her latest project or recipe. Spending time with her family was one of her greatest joys in life.

Online condolences may be made to: www.calvertmemorial.com.



EVA DELL STUTZMAN

Eva Dell Stutzman, 94, of Toluca, passed away at 7:17 a.m. on April 13, 2026, at Goldwater Care in Toluca.

Visitation will be on Friday, May 1, 2026, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., at Calvert & Johnson Memorial Home in Toluca. Her graveside service will be at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 2, 2026, at St. John's Cemetery in Toluca.

Memorials may be given to Transitions Care, 89144 North Prairie Point Street Peoria, IL 61615

Calvert & Johnson Memorial Home in Toluca is in charge of arrangements.

Eva was born in Hamilton, AL on April 11, 1932, a daughter to William M. and Alfa Estel (Ginn) Clark.

One of 7 sisters and 4 brothers with one surviving sister, Joyce Ernestine Clark Ligon in Tennessee.

She married C. Delmar Hudson on April 18, 1949, in Itawamba County, MI. He preceded her in death in 1974. She has a son Larry D. Hudson (wife Vivian) of Carson City, NV, and a daughter Jo Ann Hudson Alexander of Racine, WI. She has five grandchildren, grandson Tim Hudson, granddaughters Sara Hudson, Tabatha Presley, Christina Wolak-Holte and Tiffany Wolak; plus 2 great grandsons and 5 great granddaughters.

She married Elmer F. Baldwin on June 2, 1976, LaSalle, IL. He preceded her in death in 2011. She had a son Frank E. Baldwin on November 15, 1969, but he preceded her in death in January 2011. She has a granddaughter Emily Baldwin and one great granddaughter in Burlington KY.

She married Vernon Stutzman on July 8, 1989 in Toluca. He preceded her in death in 2021. She was part of the local Stutzman family and stepdaughter, Crystal Strauss and step granddaughter Samantha, Trophy Club of Texas;

Eva was a member of St John's Lutheran Church in Toluca for many years. She worked at Asta Care (now Goldwater Care) for 3 years and then later became a resident and was well cared for during her last 5 years. She was a proud red head and a loving, caring homemaker.

Online memories and condolences may be sent to her family at www.calvertmemorial.com.

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Scrabble is a young cutie pie with a bushy tabby tail to compliment her mostly white coat. She gets along very well with the other kitties in Molly's Room (where she lives at the shelter). She is calm and friendly, and likes to hang out in her hammock. She is already spayed, micro-chipped and current on all her shots.

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