

OBITUARIES



CHRISTINE M. (KITTS) ULMER

Christine M. (Kitts) Ulmer passed away peacefully June 16, 2026, surrounded by family members at her home in Churchville, NY.

Born September 5, 1958, in Peoria, IL, she was the daughter of Dale and Olga (Uranich) Kitts.

Christine graduated from Mid-County High School in Lacon, IL and earned an associate's degree in business from Illinois Central College. Growing up on a corn, soybean, and swine farm in central Illinois, Christine was a farm-girl at heart and spent her career in agriculture. She worked at Illinois Farm Bureau in Bloomington, IL and later transitioned to Growmark, Inc., where she worked in human resources as a member of the internship recruiting team for the Northeast United States.

A life-long flying enthusiast, Christine obtained her private pilot's license with instrument rating, and enjoyed several years of flight, making trips with friends to shop in Chicago, attending aviation events in Wisconsin, and other Midwest excursions as a member of the Bloomington, IL flying club. Her other interests included landscaping, travel, book club, Seinfeld reruns, classic car events, and attending Pittsburgh Steelers football games. Christine attended Pearce Methodist Church in North Chili, NY and was part of the lady's bible study group.

To meet Christine was to make a new friend. She cared about the well-being of others and will be missed by family members, friends, and casual acquaintances. Hers was a life well-lived.

Christine is survived by her husband Bruce; her canine best friend Hugo; sisters Lynnette (Doug) Nevitt and Lori (Dave) Schaidle; brother Dave (Jill) Kitts; son Kyle (Katlyn) Duryea; granddaughters Adeline and Nora; and many aunts, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

A graveside memorial will be held June 27, 2026, at 10:30 a.m. at the Fort Dever Cemetery, 226 Tax School Road in Washburn, IL.

In lieu of flowers, the family has established donation opportunities for contributions in Christine's name with Pets Stop Here

Rescue (non-profit dog and cat rescue organization) via website www.petsstophererescue.com or by mail at 5412 West Ridge Road, Spencerport, NY 14559, and the Rochester Regional Hospital Lipson Cancer Institute Fund via website at <https://www.rochester-regional.org/giving/make-a-gift>.

Calvert & Johnson Memorial Home in Washburn is in charge of arrangements. Online condolences may be made to: www.calvertmemorial.com.

Iowa State Univ. Honors Spring Graduates Including Sparland's Ryan Riddell

Nearly 4,900 graduates received degrees from Iowa State University this spring. Graduate and undergraduate commencement ceremonies were held May 14-16.

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Washington

1309 Bobolink Drive
Well Maintained, 3 bedroom, 3 Bathroom ranch home featuring a partially finished basement with possible 4th bedroom. Enjoy the convenience of an attached single stall garage. Siding and windows have been updated, offering both comfort and curb

appeal. This is a fantastic opportunity to own this charming home. Schedule a private showing today. **\$215,000**

PENDING



Wyoming:

100 Kennedy Court

Welcome to this charming 3-bedroom 2-bathroom home situated on a desirable corner lot. Highlights include an attached garage, a cozy fireplace in the family room and a whole house generator. New furnace

in 2021, roof is approximately 6 to 7 years old. 3-bedroom has laundry hook-ups and shower. Schedule a private showing today. **\$152,000**

NEW LISTING



Washburn:

00 Sunset Drive

"Incredible investment opportunity! Secure a rare package of six residential lots for the price of one. All lot's have city water, sewer, electric and gas at the lot lines. Excellent building sites. City of Washburn Restrictions apply. See plat for individual lot dimensions. Taxes reflect all 6 lots. **\$45,000**



Washburn:

510 Highview Ridge

Step into this stunning 5-bedroom, 3 bath ranch home nestled at the end of a cul-de-sac. Boasting an open floor plan, this home features a welcoming front porch and a finished walkout basement with in-floor heat. The inviting living room is a

enhanced by a cozy gas log fireplace. The kitchen has wraparound cabinetry and center island. The primary suite has a walk-in closet that extends into the garage. (This closet is not included in the square footage as it does not have direct heat or air). Oversized attached garage with in-floor heat tubing installed ready to be completed. The rear deck off the kitchen dining area offers a great place to grill or entertain. Relax in the outdoor hot tub and enjoy all season comfort with thoughtful amenities throughout. This property comes with a extra lot for added privacy. **\$289,000**



Lacon:

615 S. Fulton Street

Well Maintained, Two-bedroom, One bath ranch home with an attached single car garage. Conveniently located near a beautiful park, this home offers both tranquility and accessibility. Enjoy peace of mind with Whole-house generator. Schedule a private showing today. **\$110,000**



Lacon:

717 Harmony Lane

Welcome to this charming 2-bedroom, 2-bathroom ranch home nestled on a dead-end street. Inside, you'll find beautiful hardwood flooring and built-in cabinetry adding a touch of classic charm. The bright sunroom leads to a serene screened-in porch perfect for

relaxing. Secondary laundry room is on the main level for added convenience. The finished basement with egress window offers potential for a third bedroom. You will enjoy spending time in the fully fenced-in back yard. The fireplace is for decorative use only. Schedule a private showing today. **\$149,000**



Washington:

912 Bayberry Drive

Welcome home! Check out this well-maintained 3-bedroom, 2.5 bath spacious ranch. Located in Firethorn subdivision. The great room is open and airy, has hardwood floors and a custom built entertainment center. The main floor features a convenient laundry area and a bright, open layout ideal for both everyday living and entertaining. The kitchen provides ample cabinetry and workspace, flowing easily into the dining and living areas filled with natural light. The primary suite offers a shared bath, while two additional bedrooms provide flexibility for family, guest or home office. The finished basement adds exceptional versatility with a second kitchen-perfect for entertaining or extended living-along with a spacious family room and additional room for recreation or storage. The basement carpet was installed in April 2026. Car enthusiasts and hobbyists will appreciate the oversized garage, complete with a sink and a work area with lots of storage cabinets. Step outside to a beautifully maintained backyard featuring mature trees and a large deck with a gazebo. There is a shed for additional storage. This home offers the perfect setting for relaxing or hosting gatherings. **\$329,000**