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OBITUARIES/FUNERAL NOTES

INDIANA-MICHIGAN DEATHS

William Bartholomew

NEW TROY — William Bartholomew, 79, of Log Cabin Road, died at 4:10 p.m. Friday in Mercy Memorial Medical Center, St. Joseph. Connelly-Noble Funeral Home, Three Oaks, is in charge of arrangements.

Henry M. Dorsett

March 6, 1920-Nov. 18, 1994

KINGSFORD HEIGHTS — Henry M. Dorsett, 74, of 200 Fairmount Road, died at 1:25 p.m. Friday in LaPorte Hospital, following an illness. Mr. Dorsett had been employed by Budd Co., Gary. He was born March 6, 1920, in Brownsville, Texas, and lived here most of his life. On Feb. 11, 1944, in Brownsville, he married Elisa Solis. She survives, with three daughters, Mary Lourdes O'Quinn of Beaufort, S.C., Ella Nutter of Kingsford Heights, and Diane Rowley of Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; two sons, Henry of Findley, Ohio, and Jeffrey of Niles; 12 grandchildren; one great grandchild; and two sisters, Esther Solitaire of Brownsville and Ella Duarte of Fort Worth, Texas. A daughter, Elizabeth Ackerson, preceded him in death. He was an Army veteran of World War II, where he received a Bronze Star.

A memorial service will be held at a later date. There will be no visitation. Burial will be in Pine Lake Cemetery. Cutler Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Memorial contributions may be made to American Cancer Society.

Lena E. Gray

May 12, 1901-Nov. 18, 1994

ELKHART — Lena E. Gray, 93, of 150 Joyce Court, died of natural causes at 1:20 a.m. Friday in Meridian Nursing Center Eastlake. Mrs. Gray was born May 12, 1901, in Aurora, Ill. In 1922, in Elkhart, she married Arlo B. Gray. He died in 1967. Surviving are: two sons, Robert A. of Florence, Ore., and Jack of Elkhart; 10 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; many great-great-grandchildren; and a sister, Margaret Kindig of Akron.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Monday in Walley-Mills-Zimmerman Funeral Home. Burial will be in Peace Mausoleum, Rice Cemetery. Friends may call from noon to 2 p.m. Monday in the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to American Heart Association.

Jack R. Heintz

Jan. 26, 1929-Nov. 17, 1994

STAR CITY — Services for Jack R. Heintz, 65, of County Road 550 South, who died at 11:05 p.m. Thursday in St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Lafayette, will be at 11 a.m. Monday in Pratt Mortuary. Burial will be in IOOF Cemetery. Friends may call from 7 to 8 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday and after 8 a.m. Monday in the funeral home, where IOOF Lodge 168 will conduct a service at 7 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to IOOF Cemetery.

Mr. Heintz had been employed as a custodian in the Star City schools. He was born Jan. 26, 1929, in Chicago. On Nov. 15, 1952, in Winamac, he married Marjorie F. Field. She survives, with two daughters, Nancy Kline of Logansport and Nova Wanik of Winamac; a son, Richard of North Judson; seven grandchildren; five step-grandchildren; three step-great-grandchildren; and two stepsisters, Pat Hagem of Peru, Ind., and Jane Ewing of Winamac. He also had been employed as maintenance engineer for 25 years at First Union Bank and Trust and served as sexton of Star City IOOF Cemetery for many years. He was a veteran of the Korean War, a member of Star City Church of Christ, IOOF Lodge 168, Rebekah Lodge 122, Winamac, and Mount Horeb Encampment 24, Rochester, an associate member of Kokomo Encampment 61 and Grand Patriarch of State of Indiana Encampment in 1992 and 1993.

Ollie Minix

Nov. 14, 1912-Nov. 17, 1994

WINAMAC — Ollie Minix, 82, of 25 West County Road 700 North, died at 8 p.m. Thursday at the home of her daughter in Knox. Mrs. Minix was born Nov. 14, 1912, in McGoffin County, Ky. In 1927, in Kentucky, she married Ova Minix. He died Aug. 26, 1982. Surviving are five daughters, Ellazeene Schadek of Knox, Irene Minix of Winamac, and Wanda Timmons, Margrella Minix and Nella Kersting, all of North Judson; four sons, Aaron and Lacy, both of Winamac, and Wilkins and Ronald, both of Knox; 27 grandchildren; 44 great-grandchildren; two sisters, Mary Kosnitz of Ohio and Nora Fletcher of Kentucky; and a brother, Woodford Fletcher of North Judson.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Sunday in Dunham Freewill Baptist Church. Burial will be in Highland Cemetery, North Judson. Friends may call from noon to 9 p.m. today in Brisman and Son Memorial Chapel, Knox.

Edward Mudd

April 9, 1924-Nov. 17, 1994

WARSAW — Edward Mudd, 70, of 110 N. Beechwood, died of natural causes at 4:22 p.m. Thursday at Kosciusko Community Hospital. Mr. Mudd retired after 34 years with NIPSCO. He was born April 9, 1924, in Springfield, Ky. On Nov. 26, 1946 he married Rose Sansbury. She died March 25, 1983. Surviving are three daughters, Donna Sansbury of Mishawaka, Christina Nead of Warsaw and JoEllen Crisp of Charlotte, N.C.; three sons, Terry, Charles and Ron, all of Warsaw; 15 grandchildren; one great-grandchild; three sisters, Veronica Cox of Fort Wayne, Patricia Robinson of Pasadena, Texas, and Gertrude Mudd of Chicago; and a brother, Leonard of California. He was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church and Knights of Columbus.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Monday in the church. Burial will be in Oakwood Cemetery. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Sunday in Titus Funeral Home.

Raymond L. Nichols

July 26, 1918-Nov. 15, 1994

ELKHART — Raymond L. Nichols, 76, of 1701 Elizabeth St., died at 7:45 a.m. Tuesday in Elkhart Rehabilitation Center after an illness. Mr. Nichols retired in 1978 as an engineerer from Conrail, where he was employed for more than 28 years. He was born July 26, 1918, in Coffee County, Tenn. On Sept. 26, 1948, in Ringgold, Ga., he married Jo G. Uselton. She survives with a son, James M. of Granger; five grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and two brothers, Hollis and Edward, both of Summitville, Tenn. He was an Army veteran of World War II.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in Walley-Mills-Zimmerman Funeral Home. Burial will be in Rice Cemetery. Friends may call from noon to 2 p.m. Thursday in the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to American Diabetes Association.

Edward D. Oakley

Jan. 11, 1954-Nov. 17, 1994

ELKHART — Services for Edward D. Oakley, 40, of 1045 Fox Lake Road, Angola, formerly of Elkhart, who died Thursday afternoon in Cameron Memorial Hospital, Angola, of an apparent heart attack, will be at 10 a.m. Monday in Simon-Lawson-Peterson Funeral Home, Elkhart Chapel. Burial will be in Rice Cemetery, where Disabled American Veterans 19 will conduct military graveside services. Friends may call from 2 to 8 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to the family or Lifeline.

Mr. Oakley was a post attendant worker for Fab-Glas Industries and was part-owner of a landscaping business. He was born Jan. 11, 1954, in Lorain, Ohio. He lived in Angola for 12 years, coming from Elkhart. Surviving are two daughters, Tina and Angel Oakley, both of Elkhart; three sons, Edward Jr. and Mark, both of Elkhart, and Joseph of Angola; four stepdaughters, Dianne Walker of Pleasant Lake, Ind., Julie Swager of Hillsdale, Mich., and Carrie Anne Hantz and Geneva Hantz, both of Angola; a grandson; two step-grandchildren; his mother and stepfather, Florence and James Gibson of Elkhart; his father, Henry of Phoenix; two sisters, Renee Newman of Elkhart and Denise Pelech of Beloit, Wis.; and his grandmother, Viola Oakley of Elkhart.

Clara L. Reed

GOSHEN — Clara L. Reed, 68, of 2000 W. Wilden Ave., died at 4:30 p.m. Friday in Carriage Manor after an illness. Yoder-Culp Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Herman D. Rogers

Dec. 2, 1932-Nov. 17, 1994

MICHIGAN CITY — Herman D. Rogers, 61, of 414 E. 7th St., died at 10:45 a.m. Thursday in his home of natural causes. He was born Dec. 2, 1932, in Colbert County, Ala., and moved here in 1959 from Alabama. On Dec. 3, 1949, in Iuka, Miss., he married Bernice Harris. She survives, with eight daughters, Vickie Davis of South Bend, Gwendolyn Jones of Iuka, Annie P. Elliott of Decatur, Ala., Lucy Coman of Cherokee, Ala., Debora Evans and Leonora Rogers, both of Michigan City, Danielle Rogers of Atlanta, and Linda Hodges of Nashville, Tenn.; a son, George D. of Cherokee; 20 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; four sisters, Bernice Dukes of Michigan City, and Fannie Blackburn, Christine Jimmar and Wilma Martin, all of Iuka; and a brother, Lawrance Rogers of Michigan City. He was an Army veteran of the Korean War.

Services will be Wednesday in Grayson Funeral Home, Corinth, Miss. Burial will be in Grove Cemetery, Iuka. Friends may call from 2 to 8 p.m. Monday in Coleman-Williams Funeral Home.

Ethel E. Sites

Jan. 9, 1904-Nov. 18, 1994

ELKHART — Ethel E. Sites, 90, of 1018 E. Bristol St., died at 8:23 a.m. Friday in Elkhart General Hospital after an illness. Mrs. Sites was born Jan. 9, 1904, in Howe. On Aug. 19, 1922, in Centreville, she married Elmer G. Sites. He died June 31, 1968. Surviving are two daughters, Lola Reader and Barbara Veatch, both of Elkhart; and two sons, Richard G. and John L., both of Elkhart. A daughter, Sandra K. Rose, died Oct. 3, 1993. A son, Robert L., died Dec. 9, 1993.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday in Walley-Mills-Zimmerman Funeral Home. Burial will be in Rice Cemetery. Friends may call one hour before services in the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to Osolo Township Emergency Medical Services.

Loretta E. Voreis

Aug. 5, 1914-Nov. 17, 1994

CULVER — Services for Loretta E. Voreis, 80, of Vermilion, Ohio, formerly of Culver, who died at 2:20 p.m. Thursday in Lorain (Ohio) Community St. Joseph Regional Health Center, will be at 2 p.m. Sunday in Bonine Funeral Home. Burial will be in Burr Oak Cemetery. Friends may call from noon to 2 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to Marshall County Cancer Association.

Mrs. Voreis was born Aug. 5, 1914, in Calumet City, Ill. She lived in Starke County until going to Ohio in 1990. On Nov. 18, 1938, in Crown Point, Ind., she married Raymond B. Voreis. He died Dec. 18, 1983. Surviving is a sister, Adelaide Zehner of Lansing, Ill.

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ST. JOSEPH COUNTY DEATHS

Frank Bueno

Oct. 24, 1930-Nov. 18, 1994

SOUTH BEND — Services for Frank Bueno, 64, of Kosciusko Street, who died at 12:55 a.m. Friday in his home after an illness, will be at 10 a.m. Monday in St. Stephen's Catholic Church. Burial will be in South Lawn Cemetery. Friends may call from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday in Guisinger Colonial Chapel Funeral Home, where the rosary will be said at 7 p.m.

MR. BUENO

Mr. Bueno was a utility man at Torrington Corp., retiring in 1984. He was born Oct. 24, 1930, in Donna, Texas, and lived here for 36 years, coming from Texas. On March 28, 1947, in Osceola, Ark., he married Josefina Salazar. She survives, with four daughters, Josefina Bueno, Frances Munoz, Zenaida Bueno and Betty Bueno, all of South Bend; seven sons, Mike, Manuel, Ricky, Ray, Freddy, Hando and David Bueno, all of South Bend; his mother, Albesa Bueno of South Bend; and seven brothers, Pablo, Fidencio, Jose and Lupe Bueno, all of South Bend, and Jose M., Manuel and Placido, all of Donna. Two sons preceded him in death. He was a member of the church.

Woodrow W. Cochran

Feb. 7, 1913-Nov. 18, 1994

WALKERTON — Services for Woodrow W. Cochran, 81, of 1101 Union Road, who died at 8:50 a.m. Friday in Miller's Merry Manor Nursing Home, will be at 10 a.m. Monday in Blueville Church of the Brethren, near Tyner. Burial will be in Barber Cemetery, Marshall County. Friends may call from 3 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday in Nusbaum-Elkin Funeral Home where Tyner Oddfellow Lodge will conduct a service at 7 p.m. and one hour before services Monday in the church. Memorial contributions may be made to Alzheimer's Foundation.

Mr. Cochran was a retired die setter with Arrowhead Engineering and Metal Stamp. He was born Feb. 7, 1913, in Marshall County, and was a lifelong area resident. On March 15, 1935, in Mishawaka, he married Ellen I. Campbell. She died May 14, 1992. Surviving are two daughters, Anna Listenberger of Plymouth and Mary Jo Singleton of Walkerton; two sons, Woodward of Walkerton and Gilbert of Orlando, Fla.; 20 grandchildren; 32 great-grandchildren; a sister, Nina Anderson of Texas; and a brother, Curby of Walkerton. He was a member of Tyner IOOF Lodge 821 and played baseball in the 1930s and 1940s for Studebaker Athletics, Hoosier Beers and Walkerton Merchants.

Katharine T. Dooley

Aug. 12, 1906-Nov. 15, 1994

SOUTH BEND — Katharine Terry Dooley, 88, of 649 Tuckaway Lane, died at 8:40 p.m. Tuesday in Fountainview Terrace. Mrs. Dooley was a freelance writer and poet, wrote a weekly column "Where the Heart Is" for "Ave Maria" magazine from 1954 to 1963 and was editor of St. Mary's College Alumnae Magazine, "Courier," from 1963 to 1977. She was born Aug. 12, 1906, in Kewanee, Ill., and had lived in South Bend since 1933, coming from Hammond. On May 8, 1929, in Kewanee, she married William R. Dooley. He died Dec. 21, 1974. Surviving are three daughters, Mary Houck and Brigid Dutile, both of South Bend, and Ellen Cowperthwaite of Oakton, Va.; two sons, Terry of Sherman Oaks, Calif., and Martin of Dundas, Ontario; 16 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; a sister, Mary Ruder of Santa Clara, Calif.; and two brothers, James Terry of Alamo, Calif., and Dr. Robert Terry of Yountville, Calif. She was a 1928 magna cum laude graduate of St. Mary's College and a member of Sacred Heart Parish, Ladies of Notre Dame, St. Mary's Alumni Club and South Bend Women's Council for Human Relations. She was a pioneer in the civil rights movement, a founding member of St. Martin de Porres Club, and had worked in the peace movement and in efforts to obtain better working and living conditions for farm workers.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Monday in Sacred Heart Basilica. Burial will be in Highland Cemetery. Friends may call from 3:30 p.m. until services in Our Lady Chapel of the basilica. Hickey Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Memorial contributions may be made to Sisters of the Holy Cross Ministry With the Poor Fund, Bertrand Hall, St. Mary's, Notre Dame, IN 46556.

William F. Kapsa

SOUTH BEND — William F. Kapsa, 79, of Rockne Drive, died of natural causes at 3:30 p.m. Friday in his home. Kasiewski Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Dorothy Kozuch

Sept. 23, 1915-Nov. 14, 1994

SOUTH BEND — Dorothy Kozuch, 79, of Regency Place, formerly of 1517 Indiana Ave., died at 10:20 p.m. Monday in the nursing home. Mrs. Kozuch was born Sept. 23, 1915, in South Bend. On Oct. 1, 1938, in South Bend, as Dorothy Klysz, she married Walter Kozuch. He died April 27, 1977. Surviving are two sons, Gerald of Granger and Gregory of Mishawaka; two grandchildren; three sisters, Harriet Leda, Clara Nowak and Mamie Markiewicz, all of South Bend; and a brother, Bert Klysz of South Bend. She was a member of St. Casimir's Catholic Church and Rosary Society.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Monday in the church. Burial will be in St. Joseph Cemetery. Friends may call from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday in St. Joseph Funeral Home, where the rosary will be said at 7 p.m.

David G. Masters

Aug. 6, 1923-Nov. 17, 1994

SOUTH BEND — David G. Masters, 71, of Sunwood Drive, died at 2:30 a.m. Friday in his home after an illness. Mr. Masters was a marketing manager for Bendix Corp. for 31 years. He retired in 1985. He was born Aug. 6, 1923, in Corbin, Ky., coming here in 1954. On Aug. 3, 1946, in Dubuque, Iowa, he married Anna Fagles. She survives, with three daughters, Donna Hodge of South Bend, Mary Schaal of Frankfort, Germany, and Marcia Bauer of Niles; two sons, D. Jeffery of South Bend and Neal of San Diego; nine grandchildren; three sisters, Mary Emodin and Peggy Williams, both of Lexington, Ky., and Lorraine Gors of Waverly, Iowa. He was a member of Westminster Presbyterian Church, where he served on the elders board and Bendix Management Association, and an Army veteran of World War II.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Monday in the church. Burial will be in Highland Cemetery. Friends may call from 2 to 6 p.m. Sunday at Welsh-eimer Funeral Home, 521 N. William St. Memorial contributions may be made to the church building fund.

Cleo M. Miltenberger

Oct. 25, 1906-Nov. 17, 1994

SOUTH BEND — Services for Cleo Mardell Miltenberger, 88, of 1048 Patty Lane, who died at 9:55 p.m. Thursday in St. Joseph's Medical Center after an illness, will be at 10 a.m. Monday in Warner Funeral Home, Osceola. Burial will be in Highland Cemetery. Friends may call one hour before services in the funeral home.

Mrs. Miltenberger was born Oct. 25, 1906, in Lignomer, and was a lifelong area resident. On Oct. 3, 1925, in St. Joseph, as Cleo Mahler, she married Philip F. Miltenberger. He died in 1967. Surviving are six daughters, Phyllis Reed of Freemont, Calif., Joan Marie of Newark, Calif., Donna Goldstone of Rockford, Ill., Bernice Grant of South Bend, and Judy Cartwright and Darlene Eaglebarger, both of Mishawaka; many grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren. Two daughters, Jane Singleton and Lois Fisher, and two sons, Ervin and Gene, preceded her in death.

Ronald J. Newcomer

March 26, 1916-Nov. 17, 1994

MISHAWAKA — Ronald J. Newcomer, 78, of Kelly Road, died at 1:30 a.m. Thursday in Regency Place, South Bend, after an illness. Mr. Newcomer was the owner of Toolmasters and also worked for South Bend Tool & Die Co. for 34 years, serving as supervisor for 25 years. He was born March 26, 1916, in Sidney, Ind., and lived in this area 53 years, coming from Sidney. On May 3, 1938, in Goshen, he married Janis M. Faunmaugh. She survives with four sons, Ronald L. of Granger, Harold Rex of Mishawaka, James D. Iiott of Glenelg, Australia, and Gary Owen of South Bend; eight grand children; four great-grandchildren; five sisters, Louise Goehler of San Diego, Jeanette Trafio of Sebring, Fla., Vivian Miller of North Manchester, Ind., Carolyn Noland of Markleville, Ind., and JoAnne Valentine of Fort Wayne; and a brother, Hubert Newcomer of Timbercrest, North Manchester. He was a member of Scottish Rite 32nd Degree and Warsaw Lodge 71 F & AM.

Friends may call from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday in Guisinger Colonial Chapel Funeral Home, South Bend, where other arrangements are being made.

Kathleen A. Riggs

Aug. 19, 1947-Nov. 17, 1994

MISHAWAKA — Services for Kathleen A. Riggs, 47, of West Sixth Street, who died at 6:24 a.m. Thursday in St. Joseph Hospital after an illness, will be at 10 a.m. Monday in Bubb Funeral Chapel North. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery. Friends may call from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home.

Mrs. Riggs worked at Leer Midwest Inc., of Elkhart. In Elkhart, as Kathleen A. McMichael, she married George E. Riggs. He survives, with four daughters, Barbara Riggs and Robin Doll, both of Mishawaka, and Debbie Wild and Madaline Wild, both of Elkhart; three sons, Richard Riggs of Mishawaka, Russell Wild of Elkhart and Bradley Riggs of LaPorte; four grandchildren; and four sisters, Jean Bird, Rosemary Campoli and Pat Stiver, all of Elkhart, and Loreen Duncan of Goshen.

6-year-old testifies at molestation trial

By MARTI GOODLAD HELINE
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SOUTH BEND — A 6-year-old South Bend girl who accused a man of touching her in the dark during a visit to his home testified in a Superior Court jury on Friday that she was molested by the man.

The girl's mother testified about how she learned May 20 her daughter had been molested behind her north side home.

The testimony came during the trial of Timothy E. Strowmatt, 31, of 1502 E. Fourth St., Mishawaka, who is charged with child molesting, a Class B felony. Jury selection began Thursday and the trial will end Monday.

He is accused of engaging in deviate sexual conduct with the child.

Strowmatt maintains he is not the one who molested the girl. His lawyer, Philip Skodnak, filed an alibi defense indicating that Strowmatt was somewhere else at the time.

The defendant contends he went to a chiropractor late in the morning and then returned home so he and his wife could leave for Fort Wayne, where he had a 3 p.m. appointment he kept.

The prosecution contends Strowmatt had time to molest the child and still go to the places he listed.

The girl testified that she and her brother were playing behind their home when a stranger up in a white car. "He asked if I had seen a black dog. I said, 'No,' " the girl testified.

She said the man called her over and asked her to help him look for the dog. She said she went with him into the alley behind the fence of the next house.

"He told me to turn around and not to tell," she said holding a toy rabbit tightly. The first-grader used a special cloth doll to point out where on her body the man had touched her.

The girl said she did not tell her mother about the incident right away because she was afraid her mother would be angry at her for talking to or going with a stranger.

Instead, the girl went to a friend's house, where the friend's father heard a discussion among the children about something sexual that had happened in the alley. After learning more from the other children, the friend's father went to tell the victim's mother.

"I was shocked," the mother testified. "I couldn't believe that something like that could happen to my daughter in our own back yard."

The mother remembered that about 1 p.m., when she was checking on her daughter and 4-year-old son, she had to call three times before her daughter came crying from behind a backyard fence.

It was only after the mother had talked to the neighbor and then asked her daughter if something had happened that she heard about the man's actions.

The mother said her husband called police and her daughter was taken to a hospital for treatment.

A week or so later, neighbors identified Strowmatt as a man they saw acting suspiciously in the alley behind the victim's home, according to Deputy Prosecutor Jane Miller. The girl identified Strowmatt in a police line-up as the man who had hurt her.

Strowmatt is free from jail on $1,000 cash bond.

Fire at Ristance

ARGOS — Smoke from a fire at Ristance Corp. about 8:45 p.m. Friday night forced authorities to divert traffic along U.S. 31 while area firefighters battled the blaze.

Fire details were unavailable.

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