

Steger, Deb Purcell, both of Darlington; Carol (Mrs. Tony) Schumacher, Portage; a brother,

Elwood (Esther) McConnell, South Wayne; two sisters, Grace (Mrs. Harry) Salathe and Dorothy (Mrs. Dick) Sauer, both of Darlington; and 12 grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, March 9, 1994, at Grace Lutheran Church, Darlington. Pastor Lauren R. Ley officiated. Burial was in Union Grove Cemetery, Darlington.

The Erickson Funeral Home, Darlington, served the family.

Margaret Benson

Margaret A. Benson, 87, Darlington, died Tuesday, March 1, 1994, at Memorial Hospital of Lafayette County in Darlington.

She was born in Shullsburg, Jan. 10, 1907, to Fred and Catherine (Marty) Hess. She married Maurice Benson on Jan. 12, 1927 in Galena, Ill. She lived in the Darlington area all of her life, where she farmed with her husband, moving into the City of Darlington in 1975. Mr. Benson died June 19, 1975.

Margaret was a member of the Lamont United Methodist Church. She loved to read books and cut out quotes and poems from papers and magazines.

Survivors include four sons: Irvin (Barbara) Benson, Monticello; Laurence, (Ardith) Benson, Marengo, Ind.; Robert Benson, Aurora, Colo.; Richard (Rhonda) Benson, Madison; two daughters, Lillian (Mrs. Robert) Williams, Darlington; Sally, (Mrs. Eldon) Grossen, Monticello; 18 grandchildren and 29 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Friday, March 4, 1994, at the Lamont United Methodist Church. Pastor C. Phillip Burt of the Darlington United Methodist Church officiated. Burial was in Union Grove Cemetery, Darlington. Honorary pallbearers were: Melissa Benson, Katie Benson, Michael Benson, Heidi Grossen, Denise Benson and Robin Morgan. Pallbearers were: Robert B. Williams, David Williams, David Schmid, Larry Klemm, Dan Bowers and James Stewart.

The Erickson Funeral Home, Darlington, served the family.

Vivian Herbst

Vivian Ada Herbst, 60, Shullsburg, died Saturday, March 5, 1994, at Memorial Hospital of Lafayette County, Darlington.

She was born Jan. 3, 1934, in Shullsburg Township to Clarence and Marie (Swanson) McCoy. She graduated from Shullsburg High School in 1952. On April 9, 1953, she married Charles B. Herbst at St.

Matthew's Catholic Church in Shullsburg. She lived in the Shullsburg area all of her life and worked at Advance Transformer in Monroe for the past 25 years. Mr. Herbst died Jan. 21, 1990

Vivian was a member of St. Matthew's Catholic Church and its Altar and Rosary Society. She loved to embroider and bake for her grandchildren.

Survivors include three daughters, Diane Knautz, Monroe; Geraldine, (Mrs. Mike) Herbst-Ware, Shullsburg; Karen (Mrs. Dan) Saunders, Beloit; four brothers, Gordon (Cleone) McCoy, Gratiot; Delbert (Margaret) McCoy, Janesville; Leonard McCoy, Shullsburg; Robert (Kate) McCoy, Madison; three sisters, Florence (Mrs. Norman) Kittoe and Alberta Leitzinger, both of Shullsburg; Ruth (Mrs. Gene) Smith, Hazel Green; four grandchildren; and two step-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, March 9, 1994 at St. Matthew's Catholic Church, Shullsburg. Rev. James R. Lins officiated. Burial was in St. Matthew's Cemetery, Shullsburg. Pallbearers were Raymond McCoy, David Leitzinger, Steve Herbst, Tim Monahan, Chuck Herbst and Charles Kittoe.

The O'Flaherty-Erickson Funeral Home, Shullsburg, served the family.

Donald McNett

Donald F. McNett, 92, Belmont, died Monday, March 7, 1994, at his home after a lingering illness.

He was born in Elk Grove Township, Lafayette County on Sept. 27, 1901, the son of Cameron and Elizabeth Fox McNett. He was

united in marriage to Alpha Baker April 12, 1921. They farmed in Grant and Lafayette Counties until retiring to Belmont in 1958. Don then became involved in real estate and developed the McNett addition on the west side of Belmont. In 1970, he envisioned and created Lake Joy, which is three miles from Belmont. His greatest pleasure, aside from his family, was to assist in the growth and development of others and the community.

Don was instrumental in building the Swiss cheese factory and establishing a local medical clinic and he donated to the Village of Belmont a building for the John Turgeson Library. As a 32nd Degree Mason, he was very active in the Platteville Masonic Lodge, Commandery, Consistory, Zor Shrine and the Eastern Star for over 40 years. He was a member of the Pleasant View Primitive Methodist Church for 56 years.

Survivors include his wife of 73 years, Alpha, Belmont; two daughters, Marybelle (George) Hillery, Belmont; Joy (John)

Newman, Madison; 12 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; a sister, Marion Sedgwick, Potosi; a daughter-in-law, Bernice McNett, Belmont; and a sister-in-law, Evelyn McNett, Warren, Ill.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, March 10, 1994, at 11 a.m. at the Westview Methodist Church, Platteville. The Rev. Robert Gill will officiate. Burial will be in the Greenwood Cemetery, Platteville. Friends may call at the Mergen-Boll Funeral Home Wednesday, March 9, 1994 from 3 until 8 p.m. and at the church on Thursday after 10 a.m. A Masonic Service will be held at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday at the funeral home.

A Donald F. McNett memorial fund has been established.

Vernus Nelson, Jr.

Vernus E. "Yug" Nelson, Jr., 65, former Argyle businessman, died after a long battle with Alzheimer's Disease Thursday, March 3, 1994, at Lafayette Manor Nursing Home in Darlington.

He is survived by his wife Jeannine; three children: Steven, Gretchen and Brian; two brothers, Bruce and Russell (Delores); and his mother, Emma.

After his diagnosis of Alzheimer's Disease, Yug participated in two lengthy drug studies to further Alzheimer's research. At his request, his remains will also be used by an Alzheimer research program. There will be no visitation. A private memorial service will be held at a later date.

The family requests memorials be made out to: Department of Neurology-Alzheimer Program, Froedtert Hospital, 9200 W. Wisconsin Ave., Milwaukee, Wis. 53266.

The Erickson Funeral Home, Argyle, is serving the family.

Shirley Perdue

Mrs. James (Shirley E.) Perdue, 80, Monroe, died Tuesday, March 1, 1994, in Monroe Manor Nursing Home.

She was born May 24, 1913 in Lafayette County, the daughter of Warren B. and Emma (Curry) Martin. She married Earl S. Ellingson in 1932. She married James M. Perdue June 18, 1947 in Janesville. He died May 8, 1992.

The couple owned and operated a milk hauling company for the Borden Plant in Browntown. After moving to Friendship, they owned and operated a grocery store and later moved to Woodford where they ran Perdue Trucking, hauling milk and livestock.

Shirley was a member of Evangelical Free Church, Gratiot.

Survivors include four children, Mrs. Edward (Sonja) Wolff, South Wayne; Terry E. Ellingson, Monroe; Robert J. Perdue, Brodhead; and Mrs. Dennis (Sharon) Paulson, Argyle; a brother, Randall Martin, Rhinelander; four sisters, Lucille Marti, Monroe; Lois Svenson, St. Paul, Minn.; Mary Dailey, Sycamore, Ill.; Jacki Hartwig, Argyle; 20 grandchildren, five step-grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Saturday, March 5, 1994, in Our Saviors Lutheran Church, South Wayne. The Rev. Tom Boll of Our Saviors Lutheran Church and the Rev. William Tipton of the Evangelical Free Church, Gratiot, co-officiated. Burial was in Union Cemetery, South Wayne.

A memorial fund was established.

Chester Tollakson

Chester O. Tollakson, 80, Argyle, died Friday, March 4, 1994, at Monroe Clinic-Hospital Division, Monroe.

He was born in Argyle Township, Lafayette County, Dec. 2, 1913, the son of Theodore and Minnie (Houg) Tollakson. He was married Dec. 4, 1932 in Rock Island, Ill. to Maxine Soper. She died in 1984. He then married Heidi Schultz in Argyle on Sept. 13, 1987.

Chester lived in the Argyle area all of his life where he farmed in rural Argyle until moving into the village in 1962. He then worked for Bruni-Miller in Monroe until his retirement in 1979.

He was a member of the Argyle Lutheran Church and a past member of its church council; the Argyle Fire Department; the Argyle Lions Club; the Argyle Police and Fire Commission; and the Argyle Village Council.

Survivors include his wife, at home; a daughter, Ruth Ellen Wahl

Monticello; two sons, Chester O. (Lynn) Tollakson, Studio City, Calif.; Vern A. (Barbara) Tollakson, Berlin; two step-daughters, Rita Kubly, Janesville; Tana (Mrs. Don) Fauske, Edgerton; three step-sons, Terry (Fran) Schultz, Vermont; Daniel W. (Kari) Schultz, Wisconsin Dells; David V. (Andrea) Schultz, Albuquerque, N.M.; a sister, Minnie Coe, Whitewater; many grand and great grandchildren and a great-great-grandson.

Services were held Tuesday, March 8, 1994 at the Argyle Lutheran Church. Pastor Lyman Oman officiated. Burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery, Argyle. Pallbearers were Vic Tollakson, Jr.; Jerome, Ted, Gene, Neale and Mark Tollakson.

The Erickson Funeral Home, Argyle, was in charge of arrangements.

Florence M. James

ROCKFORD, Ill.—Florence M. James, 72, Rockford, Ill, formerly of Darlington, died Sunday, Feb. 13, 1994.

Mrs. James was born Florence Bennett in Seymour Township, Lafayette County, on Dec. 8, 1921, daughter of John and Mildred (Lee) Bennett. She graduated from the Rockford School of Cosmetology. She lived in Hazel Green until her marriage when she moved to Argyle. *PLATE SR 17 FEB 1994 P.5*

She married Lawrence W. James at Rowesville Primitive Methodist Church on Sept. 26, 1946. In 1953 they moved to Darlington and then to Rockford where she has resided since. She was a beautician all of her adult life, and was a Certified Nursing Assistant at Fairhaven Christian Nursing Home in Rockford for the past 13 years.

She was a member of the Court Street United Methodist Church in Rockford. She was also a member of Alpha Chapter #114 Order of the Eastern Star in Argyle.

She is survived by three daughters, Linda (Richard) Pearson, Laurel Malcomson and Lois (Edward) Brummett, all of Rockford; a son, John (Leslie) James, also of Rockford; 11 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, on July 6, 1976; her parents and a granddaughter.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. today at the Erickson Funeral home in Darlington, with burial in Evergreen Cemetery in Shullsburg.

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Paul S. Elzen

Paul S. Elzen, 69, Darlington, died Monday, March 14, 1994, at the Lafayette Manor Nursing Home, Darlington.

He was born June 5, 1924, near Lamont Township, Lafayette County, the son of Fred H. and Grace (Albertson) Elzen. He married Mabel L. Richardson Oct. 25, 1947, at Primitive Methodist Church, Leadmine.

Paul lived in the Darlington area all of his life, where he owned and operated P.S.Elzen Trucking in Darlington from 1946 until 1987 when he sold out to his son, Harold. He continued to drive truck up until this past year when he started working for Glendenning Redi-Mix, Darlington.

He was a member of the Darlington United Methodist

Church, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows Lodge #171 and was a member of Bates-O'Brien-Howe-Wiegel American Legion Post #214. Paul served in the Army during World War II.

Survivors include his wife, Mabel, at home; two sons, Harold (Judy) Elzen and Harlan (Lorraine) Elzen, all of Darlington; a sister, Eileen (Mrs. Harry) Helm, rural Darlington; and five grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, March 17, 1994, at 11 a.m. at the Darlington United

Methodist Church, with Pastor C. Phillip Burt officiating. Burial will be in Union Grove Cemetery, Darlington, where military graveside rites will be accorded by the Darlington American Legion. Friends may call on Wednesday, March 16, from 3 - 9 p.m. at the Erickson Funeral Home, Darlington.

Helen Heins

Helen B. Heins, 73, Mineral Point, died Thursday, March 10, 1994, at her home.

She was born Sept. 11, 1920, in Kendall Township, Lafayette County, the daughter of Glenn and Mary (Frontz) Buss.

She married Francis Heins Jan. 26, 1944. They farmed in the Belmont and Mineral Point area until moving to Mineral Point in 1968, where they since had lived and worked.

Survivors include a son, Maynard, Monroe; a daughter, Mrs. Ken (Ruth) Johnson, Mineral Point; a brother, Homer Buss, Platteville; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Sunday, March 13, 1994, at the Hope Lutheran Church, Mineral Point. Burial was in Belmont Cemetery.

The Gorgen Funeral Home, Mineral Point, served the family.