

Adelean Cottingham

Adelean Josephine Hogie Cottingham, 90, Benton, died Sunday evening, June 12, 1994, in the Southwest Health Center Nursing Home, Cuba City.

She was born Oct. 8, 1903, in Dane County, the daughter of John and Josephine Larum Hogie. She was married to F.B. "Billy" Cottingham on March 1, 1927 in Dubuque, Iowa. He died in May 1980. She was educated in the rural Bass Lake School in Dunkirk, near Stoughton and graduated from Stoughton High School and Whitewater College. Adelean taught High School business education in Benton and Shullsburg High Schools. After retiring, she was a substitute teacher in several area schools.

Adelean was a member of the Covenant Lutheran Church in Stoughton and faithfully attended the Benton United Methodist Church. She was also a member of the Rebekah Lodge.

Survivors include a sister, Jean (Bernhard) Hogie Mattison, Stoughton; a sister-in-law, Mrs. Earl (Vivian Brewer) Hogie, North Freedom.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m., Saturday, June 18, 1994, at the Benton United Methodist Church with the Rev. Susan May officiating. Burial will be in the Benton Methodist Cemetery. Friends may call from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday at the Casey Funeral Home, Benton.

Memorials may be made to the Adelean Cottingham memorial fund.

Robert Birkett

Robert J. Birkett, 67, Benton, died Thursday, June 9, 1994.

He was born Sept. 21, 1926 in Hazel Green, the son of Arthur J. and Minnie (Crooks) Birkett. He married Chloe Gregory Dec. 6, 1958 in Hazel Green.

He served in the U.S. Marine Corps.

Robert worked in area mines including the Birkett Mine near Benton, and then worked at Kelly Springfield Tires in Freeport for 18 years. Since retiring in Oct. 1988, he and his wife operated a craft shop in Benton.

Survivors include his wife, Chloe, Benton; four sons, James Birkett, Portage; William Birkett, Memphis, Tenn.; Tracy Birkett, Barnhart, Mo.; Terry Birkett, San Antonio, Texas; three sisters, Mrs. John (Donna) Straka, Wauzeka;

Helen Freyhage, Dubuque, Iowa; Dixie Tomlinson, Poynette; three brothers, Douglas Birkett, Dane; Calvin Birkett, Hazel Green; Paul Birkett, Blue Mounds; and nine grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Monday, June 13, 1994, at Benton United Methodist Church. Burial was in Hazel Green Cemetery with graveside military rites.

The Casey Funeral Home, Benton, served the family.

Donald Bruecks

Donald W. Bruecks, 65, Argyle, formerly of Lockport, Ill., died Wednesday, June 8, 1994 at The Monroe Clinic Hospital Division, Monroe

He was born May 28, 1929 in Hinsdale, Ill., the son of Jacob and Rachel (Botwright) Bruecks.

He married Marie Risky, May 13, 1950 in Chicago. They lived in

Lockport where he worked for Du Page Well and Pump Company from 1957 until 1982. They then moved to rural Argyle where he began working for Luxembourg Cheese Factory, Inc., Orangeville, until retiring in 1991.

He was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Argyle, and was a past member of the Lockport Auxiliary Police.

Survivors include his wife, at home; a son, Thomas Bruecks, Lockport; three daughters, Mrs. James (Carol) Antole; Mrs. Darrell (Kathy) Shepherd, both of Lockport; Mrs. Thomas (Susan) Briese, Crest Hill., Ill.; a sister, Mrs. Edward (Betty) Kleszewski, West Frankfort, Ill.; two stepsisters, Mrs. Ernie (Dawn) Sullivan, West Frankfort, Ill.; Mrs. Denny (Melody) Beggs, Glenwood, Iowa; two stepbrothers, George Beckmann, Thompsonville, Ill.; Scott Beckmann, Goreville, Ill.; and six grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Saturday, June 11, 1994, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Argyle. Rev. George Hastrich officiated. Burial was in Calvary Cemetery.

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

Robert Harris, Sr.

Robert V. Harris, Sr., 54, Benton, died Wednesday, June 8, 1994, at Mercy Health Center St. Joseph's Unit, Dubuque, Iowa, after an apparent heart attack.

He was born July 7, 1939, at Hazel Green, the son of Eldon Terry and Lavada (Kittoe) Harris. He was a member of Centenary United Methodist Church, Shullsburg; the Galena Eagles Club; the Galena Elks Club 0630; the Dubuque and Galena Chambers of Commerce; and the Theatrical

Agency Association. Robert was a nationally recognized theatrical agent and a well-known entrepreneur. He was currently operating seven businesses in Galena, Ill., under the Bob Harris Enterprises name, including the Galena Wax Museum and the Wax Museum Trolley. In addition, he continued as a theatrical agent and operated several other sub-businesses.

Surviving are a son, Robert (Rose) Harris, Jr., Benton; three daughters, Julie (Lloy) Clough, Benton; Lynne Harris and her fiancé, Tim Walton, both of Madison; Laura (Stirling) Fuller, Benton; nine grandchildren; his father, Eldon Terry Harris and his mother, Lavada (Kittoe) Harris Brunskill, both of Benton; two half brothers, Scott and Dennis Harris, both of Cedarville, Ill.; two stepbrothers, Dave Brunskill.

Shullsburg; Joe Brunskill, Cuba City; two stepsisters, Jeanne (Stan) Turpin, Galena, Ill.; Shirley (Dave) Wilberding, Cuba City; and his fiancé, Noreen Brill, Benton.

Funeral services were held Friday, June 10, 1994, at Centenary United Methodist Church, Shullsburg. Burial was in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Benton. The Casey Funeral Home, Benton, was in charge of arrangements.

Curtis Thompson

Curtis E. Thompson, 83, Monroe, died Thursday, June 9, 1994, at the Lafayette Manor Nursing Home, Darlington.

He was born in Lamont Township, Jan. 28, 1911, the son of Melvin and Mathilda (Everson) Thompson. On July 3, 1935, he married Alice Webb in Rockford, Ill. They lived and farmed in Lamont Township from 1937 until 1960, during which time he also worked as a farm mechanic for Phillipson's Garage in Argyle. In 1960, they moved to Monroe where he worked at Evergreen Implement in Monroe for a number of years before retiring in 1988. Mrs. Thompson died Oct. 13, 1982.

Curtis was a member of Yellowstone Lutheran Church. He loved to play bingo.

Survivors are a son, David Thompson, Dodgeville; a daughter, Kay (Mrs. Oliver) Jacobson, rural Darlington; two brothers, Mervin Thompson, rural Darlington and Paul Thompson, rural Argyle; a sister, Esther Lancaster, Darlington; four grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Sunday, June 12, 1994, at Yellowstone Lutheran Church. Pastor Daniel L. Bohlman officiated. Burial was in Yellowstone Lutheran Church Cemetery. Pallbearers were: Bill

Jacobson, Joel Jacobson, Trent Sefton, Pat Donahoe, Phil Lancaster and Keith Lancaster. Honorary pallbearers were: Art Thompson, Jim Thompson and Dusty Thompson.

The Erickson Funeral Home, Argyle, served the family.

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Avery Martin Tieman was the name chosen by Melanie J. Tieman, Darlington, for her son born Feb. 1, 1994 at Southwest Health Center, Platteville. He weighed 6 lbs. 1 oz. and was 18.5" long. Grandparents are Martin and JoAnne Tieman, Darlington. Great-grandparents are Inez and the late Ralph Tieman, Monroe, and Clynton and Doris Seffrood, South Wayne. Great-great-grandparents are Hulda and the late Emanuel Pagel, Monroe.

Brian and Mary Jane Sturtz, Darlington, are the parents of a son, Johnathan Edward David, born Feb. 6, 1994 at Memorial Hospital of Lafayette County. He weighed 8 lbs. 7 oz., and was 22" long. Grandparents are Gary and Patti Klopping, and Ron and Millie Sturtz, all of Lanark, Ill. Great-grandparents are Wilmer and Doris Smith, Davis, Ill. and Helen Klopping, Lanark, Ill.

Dan and Mary Monson, Visalia, Calif., are the parents of a daughter, Anna Louise Marie, born Feb. 11, 1994 at Kaweah Delta District Hospital, Visalia, Calif. She weighed 6 lbs. 8 oz. and was 19" long, and joins three brothers, Justin, ten, Phillip, six, and Adam, four. Grandparents are Herb and Pat Baumgartner, Gratiot, and Gayle and Kate Monson, South Wayne. Great-grandparents are Paul and Bernice Monson, Gratiot and Mary McComish, Darlington.

Mike and Mary Stietz, Darlington, are the parents of a daughter, Shantel Rose, born Feb. 14, 1994, at Memorial Hospital of

Lafayette County. She weighed 6 lbs. 12 oz and joins three sisters, Andrea, seven, Emily, five, Tanya, three, and a half-sister, Jenica, 12. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Ingwell, Mineral Point, and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Stietz, Gratiot.

Agnes Coates

Agnes Coates, 77, Madison, formerly of Shullsburg, died Saturday, July 9, 1994, at University Hospital, Madison.

She was born in Sinsinawa, April 17, 1917, the daughter of Frank and Anna (Berger) Huber. She attended the Sinsinawa schools. On Feb. 6, 1940, she married Milton L. Coates at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Sinsinawa. She lived in Shullsburg from 1956 until moving to Madison in June of 1993. Mr. Coates died in 1986.

Agnes was a member of St. Matthew's Catholic Church and its Altar Sodality. She was an avid volunteer worker for the St. Vincent De Paul Store in Shullsburg. Agnes was also active in the Shullsburg Senior Citizens. She enjoyed crocheting and making numerous afghans and towels for family and friends, and especially loved working in her garden.

Survivors include a daughter, Sally Zenchenko, a son, Francis (Joyce) Coates, both of Madison; two brothers, Joseph (Margaret) Huber, Burlington, Iowa; Vincent (Arlene) Huber, East Dubuque, Ill.; two sisters, Mary Thielen, Dubuque, Iowa; Rita Powers, Naperville, Ill.; and six grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, July 12, 1994, at St. Matthew's Catholic Church, Shullsburg. Rev. James R. Lins officiated. Burial was in St. Matthew's Cemetery. The O'Flaherty-Erickson Funeral Home, Shullsburg, was in charge of arrangements.

Margaret O'Leary

Margaret M. O'Leary, 92, Shullsburg, died Friday, July 8,

1994, at the Lafayette Manor Nursing Home, Darlington.

She was born in Shullsburg, Feb. 22, 1902, the daughter of Peter and Mary (Leamey) McCauley. She married John O'Leary at St. Matthew's Catholic Church in Shullsburg. He died in 1943. She lived and farmed for several years in rural Gratiot, until moving to Shullsburg in 1945.

Margaret was a member of St. Matthew's Catholic Church and its Altar and Rosary Society. She was very proud of her Irish inheritance and passed that on to her family. She loved sewing and crafts and had an exceptional love for cats.

Survivors include a daughter, Eileen (Mrs. John H.) Corley, Shullsburg; two sons, Jim (Barb) O'Leary, Shullsburg; Father Jerome O'Leary O.P., Chicago, Ill.; five

grandchildren; ten great-grandchildren and a great-great-grandson.

Funeral services were held Monday, July 11, 1994, at St. Matthew's Catholic Church, Shullsburg. Father Jerome O'Leary O.P. of Loyola University, Chicago, officiated. Burial was in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Gratiot. Pallbearers were: Roger Duffy, Dan

Medlicotte, Jerry Shepherd, Terry Blackburn, Nick Holland and Bill Corley.

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

Kirk Staver

Kirk J. Staver, 26, Stockton, Ill., died Wednesday, July 6, 1994, at Freeport Memorial Hospital.

He was born in Monroe, July 21, 1967, the son of Joseph and Linda (Carpenter) Staver. He was married April 25, 1985 in Stockton to the former Sonya Dittmar. Kirk was a 1985 graduate of Stockton High School and attended the University of Platteville for one year. He was employed by Stockton ACE Hardware, where he was the farm parts manager.

Kirk was a member of the Stockton Fire Department, serving as secretary and treasurer. He played basketball for the Stockton Fast Pitch baseball team and enjoyed golfing and racing. He had previously raced at Freeport Raceway for the past four years in the modified division.

Survivors include his wife, Sonya; his father Joe (Carol Ann)

Staver, Stockton; his mother, Linda (Gary) Bawden, Darlington; a son Jered and a daughter Katelin, both at home; three brothers, Andy Staver and Troy Adleman, both of Stockton; and Brandon Bawden, Darlington; and grandparents, Paul and Lois Alm, Darlington.

Funeral services were held Saturday, July 9, 1994, at Holy Cross Catholic Church, Stockton. Rev. Al Neumann officiated. Burial was in the church cemetery.

A memorial fund has been established in his memory.

The Hermann Funeral Home, 249 N. Park St., Stockton, Ill., was in charge of arrangements.

Jeremiah Reger

Jeremiah J. Reger, 16, died unexpectedly Saturday, July 2, 1994 in Burbank, Calif.

He is survived by Thomas Meigs, Dodgeville; Rose Marie Reger, Burbank; grandparents, Jim and Mary V. Reger, Mineral Point; and great-grandmother, Marion McGuire, Darlington.