

In Memoriam

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Whitesmith, Donald M. "Mike" (Apr 20, 2017) Whitesmith, 88, was born on May 24, 1928 in Rochester, Minnesota to Donald "Don" and Christine "Chris" Whitesmith. Three years later, the family moved to a farm in Birch Bay where he graduated Blaine High School in 1946.

After graduation, he joined the **J.C. Penney Company** in their downtown Bellingham store and stayed with the company until his retirement in 1988. In his 43 years, he managed 4 stores (Heppner and Hood River, Oregon, plus Norwalk and Bishop, California), was promoted to the Western Regional office as "Small Store Merchandising Manager" in the late 1960's, where he wrote the book for the position used by all 5 Regions. In the early 1970's, he was promoted to the Merchandising Director for Penney's European acquisition called a company called Sarma, where he spent 3 years based in Brussels, Belgium. Along with wife Leila, they traveled Europe, visiting most every county at least once. Upon his return to the country, Mike spent a year in the New York office. Always a man who enjoyed managing a store instead of being in the home office, he and Leila spent the last 12 years of his work life managing a store in Bishop, CA. During that period he 5 times won the "Presidents Trophy." The prestigious company trophy was symbolic of achieving the highest profit per square foot of store space in the company. It was also the last store in the company to become open on Sundays. He was also fortunate enough to have met and know Mr. Penney, whom he held in high regard.

The things which made him the happiest were always his family. The marriage to his wife Leila in June of 1948, and their subsequent life, was something you only read about in fairy tales. They were married two months shy of 70 years, walking every step (mentally and physically) hand in hand. His long time interests were roller skating (he also managed the Birch Bay rink for a while during his early days at Penney's), golfed as a 2 Handicap and travel.

He is survived by his wife of 69 years Leila in Vancouver, WA, his son Rod in Vancouver, WA and daughter Terri in Blaine, WA. He was cremated and laid to rest at Evergreen Memorial Gardens in Vancouver, WA

Bjerke, Bendick, Ben (Feb, 2019) has passed away at the age of 74. Ben was born in Hatton, ND to Peder and Florence (Pladson) Bjerke. Graduated from Hatton High, he attended Mayville State University then transferred and graduated from University of North Dakota.

Ben married Linda (Berg) Bjerke, they moved to Denver, Co. where he began his 38 year career with **JCPenney**. He and Linda had 2 children.

Ben was preceded in death by his Father, Mother and Brother Philip. He is survived by his wife Corinne (Lambert), son Ross (Melody McCray), daughter Jennifer Bjerke (William De Souza Lobo), grandchildren Joaquin and Luella De Souza Lobo. Niece Lori (Jim) Corbey, MacKenna, and nephew Eric (Karen) Bjerke.

Throughout his career, he was relocated to many states, including Nebraska, Florida, Georgia, Maryland and New York. Ben enjoyed becoming a 3-4 year tourist throughout the country. Ben was active in many church, community and volunteer organizations. Beginning with 4H as a child, Toastmasters, Red Cross. He was an active member of the JCPenney HCSC alumni Deep South chapter, serving as treasurer for many years.

After his family and friends, Ben enjoyed sports. First love is Basketball at all levels. He loved to play, and he loved to watch, high school, college and pro. He was an active member of the Villages Booster club, and enjoyed watching the basketball games, at home and away, boys and girls, varsity and junior varsity.

Ben loved to play golf, enjoying the fellowship in both his neighborhood group, and group of special friends. He enjoyed playing Sports Trivia, and attending the Civil Discourse meetings.

Ben's easy going manner, open heart and mind will be missed by family and friends, and close classmates from Hatton ND.

A memorial service will be held February 11, at 10:30 AM. Hope Lutheran Church, 250 Avenida Los Angeles, The Villages FL. 32162.

There will be an internment and Hatton ND, in the late spring. In lieu of flowers, please support your local Hospice House.

Boysen, Wallace D (Jan 31, 2019) Wallace, born Sept. 23, 1935 in Cherokee, Iowa, entered the Kingdom of Heaven at home in Fountain Hills.

Wally was preceded in death by his wife, Norma, and is survived by his sister, Joy (Bill) Plath; son, Doug (Diane) Boysen of Omaha, Neb.; daughters, Christi (Richard) Sharpe of Scottsdale, Carrie (Kevin) Quinn of Goodyear, Ariz.; grandchildren, Liz Boysen, Jessica (Kevin) Andersen, Zachary Quinn and Kelsey Quinn; great granddaughters, Evie and Elsie Andersen.

Wally spent 43 years as a member of the management team with **JC Penney** where he held roles as a store manager, district manager and was on both corporate and regional staffs as he advanced and moved throughout his career. Wally was a people person and had friends and family across the country.

A private service and internment will be held near Storm Lake, Iowa, where Norma was laid to rest in 2017.

Elliott, James "Jim" Harrison (Jan 19, 2019) James, 74, of Bettendorf, Iowa passed away in Sarasota, Florida. Born in Drayton, North Dakota, on April 22, 1944, to Harrison and Lillian "Hap" (Prigge) Elliott, Jim grew up on the Elliott family farm (acquired through the Homestead Act in 1881, as he was fond of reminding his children). Jim graduated from Drayton High School in 1962, and was a member of the United States National Guard from 1964-1970.

Jim attended the University of North Dakota and met the love of his life, Sharon Mackley, while on campus. On September 30, 1967, Jim and Sharon were married. It was at this time that Jim also started his career with **JCPenney**. Over the next four decades, Jim would build a reputation as a strong, caring, and inspirational manager and mentor in a number of key leadership roles, especially with his employees at the Davenport Northpark Mall store. He is also remembered with thanks by many Quad City parents as the man who gave their teenagers their first job.

Jim loved his home, and spent many hours working on his lawn and flower beds. His family and neighbors fondly remember Jim's annual spring tradition of loading up his bright blue pick-up with mulch and flowers and spending the next weeks transforming his yard into a showpiece. What Jim loved most about his home was spending time around his family, and raising four accomplished and independent young women with Sharon. Jim was an avid Iowa Hawkeye fan, where he excelled at the art of tailgating. He loved beautiful fall days in Iowa City, cheering on his favorite team surrounded by his many friends and family. Jim was known for his seventh-grade sense of humor, his outgoing personality, and his knack for wise counsel and a kind word. He was always available to bounce an idea off of and loved to perch on a bar stool, "Jim and tonic" in hand, and help solve anyone's problems.

Jim is survived by his wife, Sharon, his daughters: Elizabeth Allison (Jeffrey Allison), Laura Elliott, Kate Elliott (Kevin Roberts) and Jennifer Thomas (Nick Thomas) and Jim's six grandchildren: Lauren Asay, Logan Asay, Katie Bradley, Claire Bradley, Isaac Roberts, and Nat Roberts. Jim is also survived by his siblings, Karen Walz, Jack Elliott, and Jeff Elliott. He will also be remembered by his many nieces and nephews and the newest additions to his family, the four Allison grandsons: Mark, Connor, Carson, and Ross.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, February 2, 2019 at 2:30 pm at Weerts Funeral Home (3625 Jersey Ridge Road, Davenport, IA 52807), family will greet friends from 1:30 until the time of service. Memorial donations can be made to the River Bend Foodbank (4010 Kimmel Drive, Davenport, IA 52802) (<https://riverbendfoodbank.org/donate-money/>) or the University of Iowa Stead Family Children's Hospital (200 Hawkins Drive, Iowa City, IA 52242) (<https://uichildrens.org/ways-give>)

Gore, Bruce L. (Jan 24, 2019) Bruce passed away with his loving family by his side, at St. Mary's hospital in Rochester. A private family funeral service will be held Monday January 28, 2019. Online condolences can be left at www.pattonfh.com

Bruce was born February 27, 1929, in Webster City, Iowa. His parents were Wesley Wayne Gore and Zepha Marie Helmick. He spent his early elementary school years in Webster City. In 1943, he and his family moved to Ames, Iowa, where he attended school and graduated from Ames High School in 1947. After graduation, he returned to Webster City and graduated from Webster City Junior College (now Iowa Central Community College) in 1949.

In 1950, he returned to Ames and entered the **JC Penney Management** Training Program. This year he also met and dated Norma Colleen Moore from Collins, Iowa. They became engaged on Valentine's Day in 1951 and three months later he was drafted and served in the Army during the Korean War. After basic training, he was assigned to the base in Fort Jackson, South Carolina. Colleen traveled to Fort Jackson where they were married in an army chapel on August 3, 1951. After his discharge as a corporal in 1953, he returned to JC Penney in Ames and it developed into his lifetime career. In 1955, he was transferred from Ames to Fargo, North Dakota, as a department Manager; in 1960, he was transferred to Jamestown, North Dakota, as an assistant department manager to open a new store; in 1962, he was promoted to Carrington, North Dakota, as store manager; in 1965, he was promoted to Vinton, Iowa, as store manager and in 1975, he was promoted to store manager in Blue Earth, Minnesota, where he remained until he retired from Penneys in 1986. After retirement from Penneys, he spent a short time with Shoppers Enterprises in Blue Earth. A quadruple heart bypass in 1988 precipitated a permanent retirement.

He was a lifetime member of the American Legion which he joined in 1955. He participated in many positions and activities in the various locations his career took him. He served as chamber board of directors, Kiwanis board of directors, and in Jamestown, was chairman of the annual large Buffalo Days celebrations. In Vinton, he was involved in establishing a Fellowship of Christian Athletes group in the high school and was assistant at the boy scout camp. He was a lifelong member of the Methodist Church in each city he resided in. At various stages of his life, he enjoyed golf, duck and goose hunting, fishing and sport activities.

Bruce is survived by his beloved wife of 67 years, Colleen, sons; Jeffrey (Brenda) Gore from Eldora, Iowa, Gregory (Jean) Gore from Rochester, Minnesota; and daughter, Linda (Marv) Kottke, from Mankato, Minnesota. He has 11 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his only sibling, his sister, Sharon (Gore) Moya, from Omaha, Nebraska, and numerous cousins, nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents and parents-in-law.

Thompson, Lila Mae (Dec 27, 2018) Lila, of Caro, MI, age 77, passed away at her home. Lila was born December 9, 1941 in Sherburn, Minnesota, the daughter of the late Leonard and Maxine Flohrs. She grew up in Trimont, Minnesota, graduating from Trimont High School in 1959 and went on to graduate in 1960 as a medical technologist.

Lila was united in marriage with Thomas Thompson on November 25, 1961 at Galena Lutheran Church in Galena Township, Minnesota. She worked at a doctor's office in Truman, Minnesota while Tom finished his degree. Tom's position with **J. C. Penney** led the family to move to Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Chicago, Illinois, Albert Lee, Minnesota, Marshalltown, Iowa, and Ottumwa, Iowa before settling in Caro in 1977. Lila was an active member of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Caro where she served as a leader with Stephen Ministries. She was a devoted wife, mother and grandmother.

Lila is survived by her loving husband of fifty-seven years, Tom Thompson; one daughter, Patricia Gulick and her husband, Ken, of Byron; one son, David Thompson and his wife, Carrie, of Brighton; four grandchildren, Jill Gulick, Jason Gulick and his wife, Brianna, Collin Thompson and Tommy Thompson; great-granddaughter, Lila Gulick; brother-in-law, Jim Thompson and his wife, Sharon, of New Bern, North Carolina; four nephews, Mike and his wife, Val, Joe, Jimmy and Matt Thompson; and twelve cousins. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her mother- and father-in-law.

Funeral services were held Monday, December 31, 2018 at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Caro with Rev. Cameron

Steele officiating. Those planning an expression of sympathy may wish to consider memorial contributions to Stephen Ministries.

Douthit, Richard (Dec 18, 2018) This beloved husband, farther, grandfather, great grandfather and even a couple of great great grandfather departed this life on December 18th being taken care of by his daughters in Equality.

Richard Douthit was born in Detroit, Michigan on Feb 27, 1927 and the oldest of six brothers and sisters. Richard was a veteran of both the Korean and WWII wars. His wife of 70 years went with God before him on Nov 8, 2017.

Richard worked with **JC Penney** for 20 years after serving his country for 35 years. When he retired he and his wife moved to the Villages, Fla prior to him living with his daughter, here in Alabama.

Richard is survived by his Daughter Jean Prince (Equality) Rick Douthit (Thialand) Gale Douthit (Equality) Hugh Douthit (Howie in the Hills Fla) and Kirk Douthit (Houston, Tx). He is also survived by his Brother Troy Douthit, Ga and his sister Veta Chapman (Michigan)

Gable, Jack Edward (Jan 12, 2019) Jack, age 86, of Ortonville, MN, died at Sanford Medical Center in Sioux Falls, SD. Services were held on Wednesday, January 16, 2019, at 10:30 a.m. at New Life Community Baptist Church, Ortonville, MN Pastor Philip Ostlund officiated, and burial was at Mound Cemetery.

Jack Edward Gable was born on June 27, 1932, in Ladysmith, WI. He was the second son of Clarence and Edna (Johnson) Gable. Jack graduated from Ladysmith High School in 1950 and began his employment with the **JC Penney Company** in November of that year. He retired in 1992 with 42 years of service. In 1954, Jack married his high school sweetheart, Elaine Shepherd, and they began to raise their family of four children. His job took the family from Ladysmith to Berlin, WI, to Stevens Point, WI, to Waupun, WI, then to Rock Rapids, IA, and finally to Ortonville, MN, where he retired.

Jack loved to sing and was part of barbershop quartets from his high school days on, as well as church choirs, community choruses, and musical productions. He directed the Milltones Barbershop Chorus in Milbank for a number of years. While living in Iowa, Jack and his wife helped organize the Rock Rapids Community Theatre, which became the River Valley Players, and took part in most of their productions. They also performed in dinner theatres in several communities.

Both Jack and Elaine were baptized as teenagers and were active members of the Church of Christ in Ladysmith until they moved to Berlin, WI, where they helped plant the Sunnyside Church of Christ in Oshkosh, WI. They have been members of the New Life Community Baptist Church in Ortonville since 1983, where Jack was a Sunday school teacher and served as deacon for many years.

Jack and Elaine continued their interest in theatre and, in 1983, organized the Big Stone Area Community Theatre, directing and performing in many dinner theatre productions. They also appeared in Willmar, MN, for 21 performances of "Fiddler on the Roof" with Jack in his favorite role as Tevye.

He was a 55 year member of Kiwanis in both Iowa and in Ortonville. He served a term as lieutenant governor shortly after his retirement and has been song leader throughout his career.

Jack is survived by his wife of 64 years, Elaine; children: Lisa Ver Meer, Nikki (Jerry) Dvorak, Kevin (Beth) Gable, and Allison (Scott) Van Aartsen; grandchildren: Michelle Ver Meer (Chad), Kevin Jr. and Cora Gable, and Ben, Anna, Grant, Jacob, and Sarah Van Aartsen; and great-grandchildren: Tyler, Zack, Hailey, Kaitlynn, Jeramyah, and Abigail.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and brother, Clair, when Clair was six months old. Mundwiler and Larson Funeral Home of Ortonville is in charge of the arrangements for Jack Edward Gable. To leave an online condolence, visit www.mundwilerfuneralhome.net.

Close, Sharline Gail (Jan 12, 2019) Sarline, 74, passed away surrounded by her family in Meridian, Idaho from multiple myeloma. She was born December 4, 1944 in Tacoma, WA to Fred and Leta (Phillips) Bartlett.

She grew up in Parkland, WA and met the love of her life, Dennis W. Close, while they were working at **JCPenney**. They married on May 3, 1969. They lived in Washington, Oregon, Arizona, California and Idaho.

She was a devoted daughter, sister, wife, mother and grandmother. She loved spending time with her family and six grandchildren. She was everything to everyone and did everything with such precision and flair. She will be dearly missed.

She was preceded in death by her father, Fred Bartlett and stepmother, Arlene (Sewalson) Bartlett. She is survived by her spouse, Dennis W. Close, by her daughter, Denise (Martin) Iversen and their children Christina, Olivia, and William of Gig Harbor, WA, her daughter, Christine (Nicholas) Kukoski and their children Gavin, Jillian and Jacob of Meridian, ID, her mother, Leta Bartlett of Federal Way, WA and her sister, Sherry (Craig) Sparks of Puyallup, WA.

At her request, no public services will be held. In lieu of flowers please consider making donation to Seattle Cancer Care Alliance, All4Cure or your favorite charity. Published in Idaho Statesman on Jan. 16, 2019

Benzshawel, Lois (March 7, 2018) Lois entered into new life at Edgewater in West Des Moines, IA. She was born on Oct. 5, 1927 at the home of her parents Mary Irene Burich and John Jay Burretta. She graduated from Lincoln High School with the class of 1945. Lois married Norbert Charles Benzshawel on September 10, 1949, her loving husband for 55 years. Mr. Benzshawel passed away March 22nd, 2005 in Chattanooga, TN and had worked for the JCPenney Company for all his career.

Lois valued people and developing relationships with everyone she met which is partly why she loved to travel, cook, and play cards. She was a nurturer of every living thing; plants grew in her care as did every person who crossed her path.

Lois will be greatly missed by her children, sons, David of Dallas, TX, and Jay (Ann) Benzshawel of West Des Moines, IA; and a daughter, Gina Marie (Scott) Harris of Richardson, TX; five grandchildren, J. Daniel (Allie) Benzshawel of Highland Beach, FL, John Addison Benzshawel of Iowa City, IA, Jeremy, Justin, and Jordan Harris, of Richardson TX; one sister, Adeline Matheys; three sisters-in-law, Ruth Burette, Marlene Benzshawel of Appleton WI, and Barbara Benzshawel of Luxemburg, WI. She is also remembered and created fond memories with nieces and nephews and the many friends she made living in Manitowoc, WI, Greenbay, WI, Hutchinson, MN, Aberdeen, SD, Haywarden, IA, Sheldon, IA, Burlington, IA, Clinton, IA, Hot Springs, AR, Salisbury, MD, Chattanooga, TN, and West Des Moines, IA.

Lois will be welcomed to her new life by an infant daughter, Karla Jeanne; her husband Norbert; parents Mary and John Baretta; brother Daniel and wife Eleanor; brother Victor; sister Elaine; brothers in-law Don Mathey, Henry Osesek, Dick Benzshawel, Don Benzshawel, and Gerald Benzshawel; and mother and father in-law Clara and Matthew Benzshawel.

A Celebration of Life service was held at Edgewater in West Des Moines, IA and a Funeral Mass was said at The Chapel at the Mausoleum in Manitowoc, WI.

Memorials may be directed to Wesley Life Hospice, 5508 NW 88th St., Johnston, IA 50131. On-line condolences may be expressed at www.HamiltonsFuneralHome.com.

Edwards, James (Jim) Robert (January 9, 2019) James, age 77, passed away with his wife and other family by his side. Perhaps the simplest description of Jim would be that he was a brilliant ray of sunshine. Jim's positive outlook, his laughter, his "It's a piece of cake" attitude, his determination, and his dedication to service to others, shone in everything he did.

He was dedicated to his family and to his community and loved being "papa" to his 3 grandkids. He worked hard and played hard; he loved his Ohio State Buckeyes, a good glass of scotch and never turned down the chance to play cards with family and friends. If you knew Jim, you're smiling right now because that's the effect he had on all of us.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents and his three brothers. He's survived by his wife, Marianne, daughter Renee Alexander (Scott), grandchildren Sydney, Ben and Ethan, as well as many nieces, nephews, brothers/sisters-in-law, cousins and mother-in-law, Joyce.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, Feb. 23rd, at the Parkersburg Country Club, 4910 First Ave. Vienna, WV 26105, at 1:00 pm.

If you wish to remember him with a contribution, please consider contributing to your local Habitat for Humanity.

Dunkley, Joseph "Lynn" (October 5, 2018) Lynn was born in 1932 in Preston Idaho. He moved with his family to California while in junior high school.

As a teenager, he worked **for J.C. Penney** in Los Angeles stocking toys at Christmastime. By 1950 he was attending college, had joined ROTC, and was working part time at the Crenshaw Blvd Store in LA. After graduating from the University of Southern California, he became a Navy Ensign and reported to Bremerton, WA to work on the "Moth Ball Fleet" (the USS Missouri). Being shore-bound, he was able to work part time at the Bremerton J.C. Penney Store.

After being discharged from the Navy, he entered management training at the Norwalk Store in Orange County, CA. He was a Department Manager and then a Division Manager. In 1962 he moved to New York and worked in the Merchandising Department as the Treasury Stores were developing. In 1964 he moved to San Francisco to become a Group Merchandiser and then a Group Merchandise Manager followed by a Sales and Merchandise Manager. In 1970 he moved to Seattle as a District Supervisor. In 1972 he was promoted to District Manager out of the Billings Montana office. He traveled to stores in Idaho and Wyoming. The next move was in 1973 to Omaha, as District Manager of stores in Nebraska and Iowa. He then moved to Indianapolis as District Manager in 1975. He oversaw stores in Indiana and Kentucky. In 1981, he returned to Seattle as District Manager. He was promoted to Los Angeles Area Manager in 1983 working in Buena Park, CA until his retirement in 1992. Upon reflection, he most enjoyed personnel, encouraging associates to achieve their goals. The LA freeways had changed a lot from the 1950s to the 1990s so in retirement he and his wife, Janice, chose to move to Seattle.

While looking back at all their moves, Seattle had been their favorite area of the country to live. Still full of energy, he and Janice built their retirement home on Bainbridge Island looking across the Puget Sound at Seattle.

In twenty-two years of retirement there, he enjoyed golf, tennis, skiing and boating. They took their powerboat up the Inside Passage to Canada and Alaska four times with family and friends. They traveled the world exploring foreign countries, especially enjoying indigenous cultures.

They moved to Carlsbad CA in 2015. Friends, family and those who knew him remember Lynn as an optimistic, kind and generous person.

Lynn is survived by his wife, Janice, of 62 years as well as four children with spouses, eleven grandchildren, and two great grandchildren. Janice can be reached at 1950 Silverleaf Circle, Unit C334, Carlsbad, CA, 92009.

Krauss, Robert Eugene "Bob" (Aug 21, 2018) Robert was 87, of Sarasota, FL, and died of lung cancer. He was born and raised in Columbus, OH where he graduated from Rosary High School, class of '48.

He served as a radio operator in the United States Coast Guard. He had a successful 36 year career **with JC Penney** starting in Columbus and culminating in Christiana Mall, Newark, DE and remained a JCP booster his whole life. He retired to Nettles Island, FL.

In August 2008 he attended his 60th Rosary High reunion and reconnected with one who would quickly become the love of his life ... another old classmate ... Lissie Fries (Liselotte Schuh) and destiny took over. They married March 6, 2009 and enjoyed a precious late-in-life romance that blessed them both with joyful living, reading, reminiscing, going out to dinner when it was Bob's turn to cook, river cruises in Europe and across America, caring for each other and living a day at a time enjoying each moment they had. He reluctantly leaves Lissie in whose arms he died.

He is also survived by sons, Jeffrey, Thomas, Robert, James and daughter, Patty Krauss in Maryland; stepsons, Mijchell and Peter Fries, stepdaughters, Kimberly Swenson, Nicole O'Reilly, and Anita Hilderbrand, in Ohio, Texas, and Pennsylvania; Sister, Maryanne Akre in Columbus; 7 grandchildren, 7 step-grandchildren, 1 great grandson, 3 step great-grandsons, 1 step great-granddaughter. Bob was preceded in death by first wife Patricia, his father

Jerome Robert Krauss, mother Beatrice Marie Smith, brother Richard Krauss, son John Krauss, and stepson Matthew Fries.

A memorial service was held at a later date. If so inclined, donations are welcome to Tidewell Hospice, 5955 Rand Blvd, Sarasota, FL 34238 whose attention and care for both Bob and Lissie were the ministrations of angels, with undying gratitude to Julie Steiner MSW, Cindy Gourley GS, Aubree Shea RN, Racheal Swinford CNA, Lou Cruz RN, Carol Fields Chaplain.

Funeral Home

National Cremation and Burial Society Sarasota
2990 Bee Ridge Road Sarasota, FL 34239
(941) 923-9535

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Plume, Mark R. (April 7, 2018) passed away at home (Conroe), surrounded by family. Memorials: In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial contributions be sent to: www.mdanderson.org/.../Glioblastoma.html.

Mark was born in Little Rock, Ark. on Sept. 17, 1952, to John and Doris Plume. He grew up in Dallas and graduated from J.T. White High School. He earned his BBA from UT Arlington in 1973 and was a member of the Delta Tau Delta Fraternity.

Mark was a third-generation employee of the J.C. Penney Company for 43 years, retiring in 2012. Mark seized every moment of his retirement, filling his time with vacations with his wife, Penny, golfing and motorcycle trips with his son and close friends. He joined the BMW Motorcycle Club of Houston and was proud to have served as their president. He also enjoyed quiet moments at home with his wife and two special cats that adopted him. He was preceded in death by his father, John.

Survivors: Wife, Penny; mother, Doris Plume; daughters, Melissa Lawrence (Colby) and Alison Weaver (Brent); son, Preston Plume; grandchildren, Elizabeth, Colby, Alyssa, and Carson; great-grandson, Isaac; and sisters, Janet Plume and Susan Enk (Bob).

Fielder, Carolyn Tomazine (Tommye) (Oct 24, 2018) Tommye passed after a battle with cancer. Tommye was the wife of Ron Fielder who retired in 1997 at the JCPenney store 1430 Matteson IL in the Chicago district.

Tommye was born February 3, 1940 in Light, AR to the late Lawrence "Tom" and Elwanda Sawyers, where she grew up and attended Light, Greene County Tech Schools and Arkansas State University. Tommye was a member of Central Baptist Church in Jonesboro. She served the Lord in many Southern Baptist Churches, Bloomington, IN; Danville, IL; Champaign, IL; Louisville, KY; Lafayette, IN, Kalamazoo and Flint, MI; Olympia Fields, IL and Jonesboro.

She loved the nursery and kids, and greatly loved the Sparks in Awana's, which she led for ten years at Central Baptist in Olympia Fields. She spent many years in Bible Study Fellowship in four different states. Tommye participated in many discipleship programs, Master Life, Parenting by Grace, Covenant Marriage and many more through the years. She ministered to many people over the years, in her service to the Lord. She loved God's Word, her grandchildren, her family and all kinds of crafts.

She married Ron Fielder and that union lasted fifty-eight and a half years. They were blessed with three children; Rick Fielder (Pam) of Indianapolis, Indiana, Tom Fielder (Laurie) and Susan Fielder all of Jonesboro; the loves of her life, her two grandsons, Gideon and Sawyer; two step-grandsons and five great-grandchildren.

Tommye was preceded in death by her parents and a brother-in-law, Dr. J. Larry Williams.

She is survived by her husband, three children, grandchildren, a sister, June Williams and many special friends.

A celebration of her life was held October 27, 2018 at Central Baptist Church with Dr. Archie Mason and Rev. Mike Martin officiating. Interment followed at Lorado Cemetery under the direction of Gregg-Langford Bookout Funeral Home.

Honored to serve as pallbearers are LeAnn Murry, Connie Rogers, Amanda Fielder, Lawrence Williams, Jeff Williams, Lawrence Fielder, Brian Fielder, Robin Rhea, Anthony Fielder and Tyler Fielder and as honorary pallbearers, the Sonshine Fellowship Life Group of Central Baptist Church.

Lasting memorials may be sent to Central Baptist Church Mission Fund or Gideon's Internationals, P.O. Box 4002 Jonesboro, AR 72403

Asbridge, Carol (Dec 20, 2018) Mrs. Carol Asbridge, age 74, of Flowery Branch passed away at Arbor Terrace – Hamilton Mill, surrounded by her family.

Memorial Services will be held at Sugar Hill United Methodist Church. Date and time to be determined.

Mrs. Asbridge was born April 17, 1944 to the late Lawrence & Mary Bauer in Louisville, Kentucky. She was a member of Sugar Hill United Methodist Church.

Mrs. Asbridge is survived by her husband of 56 years, Ed Asbridge of Flowery Branch; daughter & son-in-law, Debbi & Bob Kvietkus of Hoschton; daughter & partner, Rae Asbridge & Kellie Bowker of Lansdowne, Pennsylvania; grandchildren, Tyler & Carolina Kvietkus, Emily Kvietkus, Kayla Kahan and Kiara Kahan; sister, Nancy Paulin; and several nieces & nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents and sister, Mildred Gaddie.

Memorial Park South Funeral Home, 4121 Falcon Parkway, Flowery Branch, Georgia 30542 is in charge of arrangements. Send on-line condolences to www.memorialparkfuneralhomes.com.

Carol passed away peacefully around midnight last night. She was only 74.

Like a lot of women of our ages, Carol was a homemaker. As we moved many times following our JCPenney career, she took great pride in turning our new houses into homes. She helped our daughters get involved after every move, carting them to ball games, marching band activities, piano lessons, cheerleading events and more swim meets than we could ever count. Carol enjoyed reading, traveling, playing tennis, cooking and playing canasta with her friends..

Unfortunately, Alzheimer's took all of these hobbies, and much more, away from her. As her AD worsened, she verbalized that she was afraid to "lose her mind." and "What's happening to me?". We are thankful she is no longer afraid and free of this ugly disease that aggressively pursued her over the past year.

Thank you all for your prayers and support. I know many of you will ask what you can do for us, but honestly, we are ok. We are planning a memorial service for January. We had lots of family time already planned for the Christmas Season, so we will spend our time together, grateful for our memories. I hope you and your families enjoy a wonderful holiday season as well. ~Ed Asbridge

Payne, Bobby Leon (Aug 1, 2018) Payne passed away peacefully at home. Bob was born, February 3, 1935, in Houston, to Leon Alta and Minnie Esta Payne. The oldest of three sons, he attended school in Houston until 1949 when the family moved to Athens, Texas, where he graduated from high school. He attended Henderson Junior College and East Texas State University, where he graduated in 1957 with a BA in Business.

In 1958, Bob followed in his father's footsteps and began his career with the **JCPenney Company** in Houston, later transferring to stores in Baytown, Port Arthur and Laredo. In 1968 he was promoted to store manager in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, where he served for four years. Desiring to be back in Texas, he accepted a transfer as store manager to downtown Waco in 1972. He managed that store until its relocation to Richland Mall, where he remained until his retirement in 1997. Bob won many awards during his 38-year career with JCPenney. He was proudest of winning the President's Cup and the Chairman's Award while in Waco.

Not one to remain idle for long, he purchased Brazos Feed & Supply where he and his son, Gary, worked together until his second retirement in 2013. Other interests include serving on the Board of Directors of the Heart of Texas Fair, President of the Heart of Texas Bird Dog Club and Founding Member, President and Race Director of the Heart of Texas Drag Boat Club. He took great pride in his involvement in establishing drag boat racing at Brazos Park East in Waco and in his induction into the Southern Drag Boat Association (SDBA) Hall of Fame for his exemplary service and leadership in the sport. Bob also loved being outdoors. He cherished memories of hunting and fishing trips with his family and friends, particularly those that included his father, his son, his grandson, Cole, and his brothers, Billy and Bucky. He loved his Oak Hill Ranch and spent countless hours on his tractor or working cattle and riding horses.

In 1979 he married the love of his life, Sharon Patterson. For the next 33 years, Bob and Sharon traveled to boat races, field trials, Hawaii, Alaska and the Cayman Islands. Sharon brought love into his life, and he said that she was one of the best things that ever happened to him.

He was preceded in death by his parents; son-in-law, Mike Bearden; and son-in-law, Carl Haddock. Survivors include his son, Gary and wife, Camille, of Lorena; daughter, Sheri Haddock of Springtown; and daughter, Teri Bearden of Lorena. Surviving grandchildren are Cole and Morgan Payne of Lubbock; Ashley Pierpoint and husband, Brandon, of Lubbock; Andrew Haddock and wife, Miranda, of Springtown and Stacy Walton and husband, Erik, of Hewitt. Surviving great-grandchildren are Peyton Pierpoint, Addalee, Meyer and Astyn Haddock, and Brady and Callen Walton. He is also survived by his brothers, Billy and wife, Grace, of Navasota, and Bucky and wife, Roxie, of The Woodlands, and their families.

Bob was an inspiration to all who knew him during his 16-year battle with Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma. He was truly a fighter in every way and was quick to give others fighting the battle with cancer hope and encouragement, as well as a joke along the way to bring a smile to their face. He will forever be missed by those who loved him as his memory will forever live on in their hearts. The family would like to thank all of the doctors, nurses and medical staff who cared for him through his battle with cancer.

Salzetti, Kay (Dec 4, 2018) Kay, of Carlsbad, Ca. passed away from complications of cancer treatment.

Kay was born in Price, Utah and married her childhood sweetheart, Ron Salzetti in 1960. She was a devoted wife, mother and grandmother. Ron and Kay moved numerous times over the years in support of Ron's career with JCPenney. She always made their homes perfect within days of moving into them. Hers was the house where all of the kids wanted to be. Because of the numerous moves, Kay developed a passion for decorating and design that spilled over to her daughters. She took great pride in her family and always put the needs of her kids and grandkids over her own. Kay was selfless.

Kay's only goal in life was to create an environment of unconditional love for her family. Her undying support resulted in getting all four of her kids through college and with successful careers. She was so proud of all of them. More importantly, all four modeled the example that she and Ron set — create strong families and another generation of grandchildren for her to care for and love.

Kay's selflessness carried over to her friendships. She made friends for life and had a weekly cadence of connecting with her friends — even the ones who lived on the east coast. Later in life, Kay and Ron developed a passion for taking cruises all over the world. They often "cruised" with many of the friends they had made over the years and added some new friends along the way.

Kay is survived by her husband, Ron. Children: Ron Jr. (Colleen), Shaunna (Scott Kahn), Jennifer (John Zeis), and Jason (Molly). She has 11 grandchildren: Matthew (30) Samantha (29), Daniel (28), Ashley (25), Jason (19), Jacob (19), Caroline (13), Sophia (12), Scott (12), Reid (11), GiGi (10).

A funeral Mass Celebrating the Life of Kay Salzetti will be held December 21, 2018 at 11:00 AM at St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church, 6628 Santa Isabel St. Carlsbad, CA 92009. The Rev. Father Brian Kelly will officiate.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donations to one of the following charities:

HCSC Foundation Make check out to the HCSC Foundation and mail to:

Larry Noble
15220 Green Valley Drive
Chino Hills, CA 91709

Outreach for Nazareth Orphanage:

(Kay and Ron volunteered at this orphanage in Tecate, Mexico for years working with children to improve their living conditions. The orphanage is sponsored by their friend and local Catholic parish priest, Father Brian Kelly.)

Donate to the Kay Salzetti Remembrance Fund at: <https://support.ofno.org/team/202313>

or you can send a check to:

Outreach for Nazareth Orphanage
7183 Willet Circle, Carlsbad, CA 92011

****Please note that your donation is for the Kay Salzetti Remembrance fund.**

FED ID#: 32-0431991.

A reception will be held at Shaunna and Scott's home. Join us for a light lunch celebration.

6153 San Elijo Avenue Rancho Santa Fe, 92067

Valet parking will be provided - please drive all of the way up the very long driveway

Noll, Phyllis A. (Nov 29, 2018) Phyllis, born October 8, 1938, age 80, formerly of Canton, OH, passed peacefully after a brief battle with cancer. She was an active member of the community and long-time member of Sunnyview Christian Church.

Phyllis was the wife of Joe Noll, retired from Oshkosh in the mid 90's. Joe survives her. She died after a brief battle with cancer.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, December 15, 2018 at Sunnyview Christian Church, 175 E County Road Y, Oshkosh, WI. Visitation at 10 a.m. followed by services at 11 a.m. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to Bella Medical Clinic, Oshkosh, WI.

Lindgren, Ronald J. (Nov 9, 2017) Ronald , age 84, of Janesville, died at Huntington Place. He was born in Yankton, SD on July 14, 1933, the son on Donald and Wilma (Jilg) Lindgren. He lived in Marinette, WI for 35 years before moving to Janesville in 2014.

Ron married his high school sweetheart Marsha A. Johnson in Yankton, SD on Oct. 18, 1955, just celebrating their 62nd anniversary. After serving in the U.S. Army he was Store Manager of JC Penney for 40 years, retiring in 1993. He enjoyed golfing, being outdoors, woodworking and spending time with his family.

He is survived by his wife, Marsha A. Lindgren; 4 children: Roni Ann Hardee of High Point, NC, Tami Lee (Mike) Fischer of Maple Grove, MN, Chuck (Julie) Lindgren of Janesville, WI, and John (Shari) Lindgren of Coto de Caza, CA; 10 grandchildren: Brandon Hardee, Brittany Brown, Travis Hardee, Laurie Leadens, Mandy Jeppesen, Megan Lindgren, Ron Lindgren, Tom Lindgren, Sean Lindgren and Charlotte Lindgren; 9 great grandchildren: Grace and Joseph Hardee, Lydia, Lila and Liam Brown, Savannah and Scarlett Hardee, Austin Leadens and Audrey Jeppesen; sister, Sharon Boyd and her 2 daughters, Laurie and Lisa; sister-in-law, Myrna Fitzgerald of Janesville, WI, and her 2 daughters, Beth (Dan) Driver and Becky (Rob) Rivest. He was preceded in death by his parents and brother-in-law, David Fitzgerald of Janesville, WI.

A funeral service was held at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 15, 2017 at SCHNEIDER FUNERAL HOME & CREMATORY with Fr. Paul Ugo Arinze officiating. Interment will be in Oak Hill Cemetery.

Lindgren, Marsha A.(June 1, 2018) Marsha, age 83, of Janesville, died at Huntington Place. She was born in Springfield, SD on Aug. 14, 1934, the daughter of Alfred and Letty Lucille (Dempster) Johnson.

Marsha married Ronald Lindgren (her high school sweetheart) in Yankton, SD on Oct. 18, 1955. He preceded her in death on November 9, 2017 after enjoying 62 years of a long and loving marriage. She had been a Marinette resident for 35 years before moving to Janesville. She was employed by Stephenson National Bank in Marinette, a member of the Women's Club in Marinette, Bridge Club, a volunteer for the Hospital Auxiliary in Beloit, and loved hosting holidays for her family. She enjoyed playing the piano, sewing, technology classes, and visiting her growing family across the country.

Marsha is survived by her 4 children: Roni Ann Hardee of High Point, NC, Tami Lee (Mike) Fischer of Maple Grove, MN, Chuck (Julie) Lindgren of Janesville and John (Shari) Lindgren of Coto de Caza, CA; 10 grandchildren: Brandon Hardee, Brittany Brown, Travis Hardee, Laurie Leadens, Mandy Jeppesen, Megan Lindgren, Ron Lindgren, Tom Lindgren, Sean Lindgren and Charlotte Lindgren; 9 great grandchildren: Grace and Joseph Hardee, Lydia, Lila and Liam Brown, Savannah and Scarlett Hardee, Austin Leadens and Audrey Jeppenson; sister, Myrna Fitzgerald of Janesville, WI, and her 2 daughters, Beth (Dan) Driver and Becky (Rob) Rivest; sister-in-law, Sharon Boyd and her 2 daughters, Laurie and Lisa. She was preceded in death by her parents and husband.

A Funeral Service was held at 12:00 Noon on Tuesday, June 5, 2018 at SCHNEIDER FUNERAL HOME & CREMATORY with Jerry Amstutz officiating. Interment will be in Oak Hill Cemetery. Lasting Memorials may be

made to Alzheimer's Association or Agrace Hospice. SCHNEIDER FUNERAL HOME & CREMATORY is assisting the family.

Oesterreicher, David James (Nov 29, 2018) David, of Plano, Texas, passed away on November 29, 2018 at the age of 40. David was an inspiration to all who knew him. He was a peaceful man with a heart of gold. His caring ways and compassionate spirit brightened the day of everyone he met.

Passionate about life, David loved the Cowboys and all things sports. He knew statistics and scores like no one else. David was a doting uncle who relished being involved in the lives of his nieces and nephew. A member of the Sent Church in Plano, TX, David loved the Lord. He enjoyed spending time with his bible study group and being a part of his church family.

David began his journey of life on November 10, 1978, to proud and loving parents, James E. and Patricia A. (Mitas) Oesterreicher in Marion, Ohio. Growing up, David spent his childhood following his favorite sports teams and sorting baseball cards. He enjoyed living in and exploring Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and California before making Texas his home where he graduated from Plano Senior High School. David's competitive spirit led him to play wheelchair track and basketball where he flourished and found life-long friends. One of those, Melissa Klabunde, was not only a best friend, but became his loving wife of 14 years. David and Melissa married March 27, 2004 in Highland Village, Texas.

Always an outgoing people person, David worked at Eckerd Drug Store and then found his niche assisting customers at the Stonebriar JCPenney store.

David is survived by his loving wife, Melissa Oesterreicher, Plano, Texas; adoring parents, Jim and Pat Oesterreicher of Athens, Texas; brother, Scott Oesterreicher and his wife, Michelle, of McKinney, Texas and their daughters, Nicole, Kaitlin, and Julia; brother, Tom Oesterreicher and his wife, Sandy, of Arvada, Colorado and their children Owen and Elise; caring in-laws Karen Abdou and husband Eddie of San Marcos, Texas and Bill Klabunde of Omaha, Nebraska.

The family will receive friends during a visitation Tuesday, December 4, 2018, from 7p.m. until 9 p.m. at Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow Funeral Home, 2525 Central Expressway North, Allen, Texas. A funeral service will be held Wednesday, December 5, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. at the funeral home chapel. Interment will follow at Ridgeview Memorial Park in Allen.

Memorial donations may be made to [Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children](#) in Dallas, TX or [the Spina Bifida Association](#).

Allgaler, James Ervin (Nov 20, 2018) Jim passed away after a courageous battle with Cancer.

James Ervin Allgaier was born in Richmond, California to Helen (Schortgen) and Ervin Allgaier on February 23, 1937. Jim grew up in Richmond and he graduated from Richmond High School in 1955. He attended Chico State University for two years where he was a member of Phi Kappa Tau Fraternity. He then enlisted in the US Army for two years. Following his time in the Army, Jim returned to Chico State and graduated in 1961 with a Business degree in Marketing.

He married Margie Thornton in January of 1961. They enjoyed 57 years of marriage together. The two were blessed with two children, sons Mark and Eric.

Jim was employed with the **JC Penney Company** for 35 years and served as District Personal Manager in Portland Oregon and retired as the Store Manager in Logan, Utah. After Jim's retirement, Jim and Marge returned to Portland Oregon to be closer to family.

Jim and Marge are longtime members of the Shepherd of The Valley Lutheran Church. They loved to travel and spend time with family and friends. They enjoyed watching sports together and they especially loved to watch the Trailblazers and San Francisco Giants.

Jim is survived by his wife Marge Allgaier; two sons: Mark Allgaier (wife Carol), and Eric Allgaier and (wife Jackie); granddaughters: Lauren Allgaier and Erin Brown (husband Cody); great-granddaughters Riley and Taylor.

A Celebration of Life will be held on February 23rd, 2019, 2pm, at the Shepherd of The Valley Lutheran Church, 17625 NW Cornell Road, Beaverton, OR.

In lieu of flowers donations can be made in Jim's name to the American Cancer Society or to the Shepherd of The Valley Lutheran Church, Beaverton Oregon.

Orr, John Derek (Nov 24, 2018) John Derek Orr, age 61, was a resident of Marietta Georgia. He was preceded in death by his father, H.B.Orr Jr.

Derek is survived by his mother, Joan Orr; his brother Brad Orr; and sisters Lisa Noland, Teresa Shank, and Jennifer Orr. He also had 9 nieces and nephews.

Derek was born on November 10th, 1957 in Knoxville, Tennessee. He was a graduate of Crawford Mosely High School in Panama City Florida. He went to college on baseball scholarships at Gulf Coast Community College in Panama City, FL., and the University of Richmond in Richmond, Virginia.

Derek was a loyal employee of the **J.C. Penney Company** for over 30 years before his retirement in 2013. With J.C. Penney he transferred to Puerto Rico where he spent the happiest years of his life. There he met the love of his life, Rosa (Nani) Barreras, and developed many other lasting friendships.

Derek was a lifelong Tennessee Volunteer fan following in his father's footsteps. Along with the Vols, he loved golfing, fishing and hanging out with family. He will be greatly missed.

Hiebeler, Leo M. (Sept 17, 2017) Leo, age 94 was of Bloomington, Minnesota. Leo was born in Carroll, Iowa in 1923. He married Evelyn Joynt in 1945 and they had eight children. Leo was a sergeant in World War II, serving three years in the Army in the Pacific Theater. Leo was proud of his over 50 year career for **J.C. Penney Company**. During his retirement, he and Evelyn moved to Sun Lakes, Arizona where they were both avid golfers. Leo was a volunteer in SCORE (Service Corps of Retired Executives) counseling small businesses. He served as chairman of the East Valley chapter for several years. In 2011,

Leo and Evelyn moved back to Bloomington from Arizona. Leo loved sports, especially the Vikings and baseball. He also liked history, current events and chocolate pie. Leo enjoyed comedy and loved to laugh.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Evelyn and son, James. He is survived by his children, Robert (Marilyn) Hiebeler of Chicago, Mary (Doug) Nick of St. Louis Park, Richard (Colleen) Hiebeler of Apple Valley, Barbara (Art) Gering of Phoenix, Virginia Lozano of Burnsville, David (Cris) Hiebeler of Littleton, CO and Susan Dunn of Santa Rosa, CA. He is survived by nine grandchildren: Jacob, Megan, Adam, Jonathan, Emily, Alex, Claire, Julia and Karina and eight great grandchildren. He is also survived by his sister Delores Byerink of Carroll, Iowa and sisters-in-law Arlene Joynt and Jenny Joynt.

The family would like to thank the staff at Wealshire of Bloomington for his care. Funeral Service were at Gill Brothers Funeral Home, 9947 Lyndale Ave. S., Bloomington with visitation one hour prior to service. Interment Fort Snelling National Cemetery.

The family suggests donations to The Alzheimer's Assoc. GILLBROTHERS.com Bloomington, MN 952-888-7771

He was so proud of his over 50 years at JCP and considered the company and the friends and associates he met there as family. He was in management in Columbus, Nebraska (assistant manager), Lacrosse Kansas (where he was the youngest ever JCP store manager), Dyersville, Iowa, Owatonna MN, Downtown Minneapolis (as Division Manager) and finally he headed the Custom Decorating Service Center until his retirement. He was proud that he had the opportunity to meet Mr. Penney (or "The Founder", as he referred to him) while he was a store manager in Dyersville in 1952. Those who had the chance to be trained by him have expressed countless times to our family how much they appreciated his advice and mentoring. ~Mary Nick

Lewis, Harvey "Don" (Oct 26, 2018) Don, 74, of Fayetteville, Arkansas died at Willard Walker Hospice Home in Fayetteville due to Alzheimer's. He was born August 19, 1944 in Decatur, Texas to Lorine and Harvey Lewis.

Don started his JCPenney career in Denton Texas opening the store at the strip mall. He started in the stockroom moving layaways from the downtown store to the new location. This is where he met and later married his wife Doris Grantham. Together they lived in four different states with Penney's. Texas, Missouri, Oklahoma, and Arkansas. Managing the last two stores of his 41 year career. After retiring from the Midland, Texas store he returned to Fayetteville, Arkansas which his family considered home.

Once retired he spent most of his time traveling to his grandchildren's sporting events. Many hours were also spent on the 5 acres he owned keeping it all mowed and looking perfect. He also enjoyed traveling with Doris.

Don is survived by his wife, Doris Lewis, two sons; Charles Lewis and wife Amy of Farmington, Scott Lewis and wife Rina of Springdale, brother, David Lewis and wife Ann of College Station, Texas, sister, Julie Speck and husband Steve of Denton, Texas, five grandchildren; Austin Lewis and wife Erin, Macy Bowen and husband Trevor, Kylee Vaughn and husband Jon, Morgan Lewis, Easton Lewis, great-grandson, Logan Lewis and many loving friends and family.

Byers, David Waldo "Buck" (Nov 2, 2018) David, of Plano, Texas, born October 6, 1941, passed away peacefully surrounded by family and friends.

David grew up in Chattanooga, Ohio where his father, Waldo Byers was a Lutheran Pastor and his mother, Elsie Bennett Byers was a School Teacher. He went to University of Miami of Ohio for undergraduate and then to University of Cincinnati where he earned a J.D. Law Degree.

Early in his law career, he moved to southern California where he started his lifelong career at J.C. Penney as a Labor Law Attorney and then when the company relocated to Plano, Texas, he found Texas to be home for over 30 years.

Later in his life, his days were filled spending time with his children, grandchildren and traveling the world with his beloved wife and best friend, Nancy Hornbuckle Byers. His zest and curiosity to travel the world was remarkable and shared with many of his friends and family.

David is survived by his "sweetie" and wife of over 26 years, Nancy Hornbuckle Byers and his loving daughter, Jennifer "Jenn" Byers Carter and husband, J.J. Carter, their children Audrey and Errol Carter and son, Brian David Byers and his daughter, Brianna Byers, sisters, Marcille Edgell and Eileen Hurless, step-sons Steven and Corey Grimes and step-grandchildren, Doey Grimes Nelson and Sara Grimes.

A private memorial with family and friends will be held in January 2019.

Barstad, David J. (Nov 2, 2018) David was 69, of Watertown, South Dakota. He was born and raised in Brainerd, Minnesota. David was a loving husband and father, as well as, a devoted man of God.

He is survived by his loving wife Tonia, four children Tammy Ehresman (Jason), Tracy McDougall (Sebastian), Tiffany Hagen (Chris) and Thomas Barstad (Kristin), six grandchildren (Emily, Ellie, Noah, Landon, Kaiser and Charlotte) and sister Marty Nelson (Lowell).

David was known to be constantly "tinkering." He was happiest when he had something to fix or take apart. As a career businessman, he spent 47 years working at **JCPenneys**.

In his spare time, he enjoyed spending time in the fellowship of his Christian brothers and sisters. As one of the founding members of Friendship Baptist Church, his lifetime goal of spreading the Gospel of Christ will continue through the preaching and teaching of the Gospel. He was also on the Board of Directors of The Boys and Girls Club in Watertown.

A memorial service will be held at 2:00 in the afternoon on Saturday, November 17 at Friendship Baptist Church Watertown, South Dakota. Address 905 7th Ave. NE (PO Box 271). Pastor Bill Arnold is the officiant.

Tester, Gerald "Gerry" L. (Nov 9, 2018) Gerald was 73 and resided in Springfield, MO.

He was born May 20, 1945 in Litchfield, IL to parents William and Helen (Rottinghaus) Tester. He married Barbara Traxler on June 15, 1969 in Forsyth, IL. They enjoyed 49 years of marriage.

Gerry was a graduate of Raymond High School (IL) in 1963 and Southern Illinois University in 1966.

Beginning as a management trainee in 1966, Gerry worked for **JCPenney** for 40 years. He retired in 2005 as the Springfield Store and Home Store manager. Throughout his career, he held several managerial positions across the country at the district, regional, and corporate levels.

In retirement, Gerry loved to travel. He could strike up a conversation with anyone at an RV park and make a new friend. He enjoyed the outdoors including yardwork, fishing, and spending time at the beach. Gerry was a

member of the Springfield Better Business Bureau where he volunteered on the Board of Directors from 1998-2015.

He is survived by his wife, Barbara; daughter, Nicole; son-in-law, Jason Fromm; sister-in-law, Roberta (Traxler) Schlacter; and several cousins on all sides of the family.

Visitation will be Wednesday, November 14 from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm at Gorman-Scharpf Funeral Home. Services will be held immediately following visitation at 12:00 pm. Graveside services will be at Friends Creek Cemetery in Argenta, IL on Friday, November 16 at 11:00 am.

Memorial donations may be made in Gerry's name to the Gastro-Intestinal Research Foundation, University of Chicago, 20 W. Kinzie Street, 17th Floor, Chicago, IL 60654 or online at <https://giresearchfoundation.org/donate/>.

Smith, Tom (October 22, 2018) Tom went to join his beloved wife, Louise, who died January 17, 2017 after 65 years of marriage. There will be a private family funeral. ***This is all the information we have. He was a member of the Northern California/Nevada LMG.***

Stecher, Richard "Dick" (Oct 15, 2018) *(Revised 10/24/2018)* Dick passed away October 15, 2018 at Treasure Coast Hospice, Fort Pierce, Florida. Dick was a proud member of the Southeastern and Deep South HCSC Clubs as well as the National Club. His career included assignments in Jacksonville, FL, Winter Park FL, West Palm Beach, FL, Hialeah FL and he retired from a assignment in Custom Decorating. Dick had a great love of life, was a great HCSC Partner and a friend to many. He loved being a part of the JCP team and the many wonderful associates he worked with. He is survived by his wife Maureen, four children, five grandchildren and many dear close friends. There will be a celebration of his life at a later date. Memories to be shared with the family can be sent via e-mail to Maureen (modick@bellsouth.net). Condolences can be sent to Maureen at: 10 Harbor Isle Drive, Unit #102, Fort Pierce, FL. 34949.

Hopper Jr., Stonewall Jackson "Bill" (Oct 15, 2018) Bill, 85, of Gastonia, NC was born February 23, 1933 in Clover, SC, Bill was the son of the late Stonewall Jackson Hopper, Sr. and Catherine Shepard Hopper.

Bill was a graduate of Clover High School and the University of South Carolina. He attended Clover First Baptist Church and was the longtime store manager of **JC Penney**, where he retired after 37 years of service.

In addition to his parents, Bill was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Jean Worrells Hopper; son, Tim Hopper; sisters, Helen Stanton and Faye Fields.

Bill is survived by a son and daughter-in-law, Tom and Susan Hopper; daughters and sons-in-law, Patti Patriarca, Cindi and Brian Stedwell, and Terri and Klaus Fuhrmann; eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Family and friends of Bill Hopper are invited to attend his visitation beginning at 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM Thursday at McLean Funeral Directors of Gastonia. His funeral service will be held at 11:00 AM Friday in Founders Chapel of McLean Funeral Directors of Gastonia with Pastor John Stanley officiating. Burial will follow in Gaston Memorial Park.

Condolences may be sent to the Hopper family online at www.mcleanfuneral.com

Flowers are accepted or contributions in memory of Bill may be sent to Gaston Hospice, P.O. Box 3984, Gastonia, NC 28054.

McLean Funeral Directors of Gastonia is serving the Hopper family.

Wilson, Edythe Madeline Swimley (May 26, 2017) Edythe, 95, of Hixson, Tenn., died at home after a 14-year battle with Alzheimer's and macular degeneration. On her earthly journey, Edythe walked with the Lord on the sunny side of the street. And she always brought out the sunshine for those around her. Her radiant smile, infectious laughter, quirky humor and her love of singing and dancing made her the life of the party. And if there wasn't a party, she started one.

For many years, Edythe and close friends kept the Hixson Valleybrook community involved and delighted by planning activities, dances, skits, and costume parties - her specialty.

Born in 1921, in Pittsburg, Pa., Edythe and her eight siblings were raised in W.Va., by their saintly mother, Helen Swimley. Edythe, as a young woman, worked as a deputy clerk for the juvenile court in Washington, D.C. In 1943, she met a handsome sailor, Glenn, at a serviceman's dance. In January 1944, they married and danced through a 65-year marriage. Their two best tangos produced their two daughters. Edythe enthusiastically involved herself in her daughter's activities. She became a Girl Scout leader, a first aide trainer and day camp first-aider nicknamed 'Miss Pill'. She was a Sunday school teacher, church youth leader and, with her daughters, sang in the church choirs.

Because of her beautiful soprano voice she was a popular soloist. Now Edythe is singing in heaven and dancing across the moonbeams with her late husband, Glenn (**JCPenney Retiree**). Applauding them are their two daughters, Darlene Wilson and Barbara Wilson, of Hixson, Tenn. Special thanks to Edythe's devoted caregivers, Connie and Jeanine, and Edythe's terrific Hearth Hospice nurse, Lora. A special thanks also to family friend Glen. Please send contributions to the Alzheimer's Association.

Goitia, Hillary Ann (June 17, 2018) She was born June 28, 1974 to Bobby and Debbie Goitia. She grew up in Flagstaff and was a member of the first graduating class of Sinagua High School in 1992. She went on to attend the University of Arizona where she completed her Bachelor's Degree in Retail Studies in 1996. (Bear Down!)

Hillary enjoyed a successful career which culminated in her role as the **General Manager for the JC Penney store in Flagstaff**. Prior to that she worked for JCP as the store manager in Prescott and Kingman, but Flagstaff was always where her heart was and she was thrilled to be working back in her hometown.

Hillary loved the outdoors and spent her childhood summers camping and fishing with her family. She continued her outdoor adventures as an adult and could often be found kayaking the lakes around Prescott and Flagstaff. Hillary was sassy and smart, outspoken and bold. She loved spending time with friends and family and was known for her welcoming spirit and great generosity. She will be greatly missed.

She is survived by her parents, Bobby and Debbie Goitia; sister Heidi Goitia (Cullum), Aunt Lorraine Goitia, niece Madison Cullum, nephews Ryan and Jason Cullum, her beloved chocolate lab Charli, and several other aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Services were held Friday, June 22, 2018 at San Francisco de Asis Catholic Church. In lieu of flowers the family requests donations to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Fleenor, Bill (Oct 5, 2018) Bill, 80, passed away in Franklin, Tennessee. He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Eleanor Fleenor; son and daughter-in-law, Todd and Ruthie, daughter and son-in-law, Alisa and Steve. He is also survived by seven grandchildren, Todd (Meagan), Hunter (Natalie), Sloane, Glenn, Ruth, Carris, and Grace, his sister, Delores (Hap) and two nephews Chuck (Beverly) and Bill (Cathy).

Bill was an active member of Brentwood United Methodist Church, Stephen Ministry, and the Wesley Forum Sunday School class. He loved volunteering at the Children's Hospital at Williamson Medical Center, and worked with the Salvation Army, USO and the United Way among other charities. In his free time, Bill enjoyed playing golf, traveling with Eleanor, and most of all, spending time with his family.

To celebrate his life, Dr. Laura Brantley and Rev. Bob Moore will conduct a service at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 11th at Brentwood United Methodist Church. The family will receive visitors at the church beginning at 1:00 p.m. Honorary pallbearers will be members of the Wesley Forum Sunday School class. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Salvation Army (give.salvationarmyusa.org) or Graceworks Ministries (www.graceworksministries.net).

McCutchen, Frances J (Oct 15, 2017) Mrs. Frances J. McCutchen 128 N. Garden St. Winnsboro, SC 29180 passed away on October 15, 2017. She leaves behind her children James R. (Sonja) Small of Winnsboro, SC Johnny R. Small of Lexington, SC Randy Small of Winnsboro, SC and William McCutchen Jr. Of Columbia, SC Frances Able (Willie Lee) of Ridgeway, SC Della Ashford of Winnsboro, SC and Janice Redding of Kingstreet, SC. One brother Mack A McCant of Winnsboro, SC two sisters; Johnnie Mae (Mathew) Golson of New Jersey and Thomasina (George) Mobley of Winnsboro, SC. Funeral service will be 11:00am at Calvary Presbyterian Church

311 S Vanderhorst St. Winnsboro, SC. Burial was in Fairfield Memorial Cemetery located at Smalltown Rd. Winnsboro, SC. She was preceded in by Marvin V. McCutchen.

Clausen, Michael D. (Sept 25, 2018) Michael, 79, of Lee's Summit, Missouri, passed away Tuesday, at Centerpoint Medical Center, Independence, Missouri after a brief illness. Funeral services will be 11:00 AM, Saturday, October 13, 2018 at Holy Rosary Catholic Church, Warrenton, Missouri. Friends may arrive 30 minutes prior to greet family. The urn burial will be in Holy Rosary Cemetery.

Michael David Clausen was born on July 7, 1939 in Lacrosse, Wisconsin, the son of Ken and Jane Clausen. He graduated from Cherokee High School in 1957. He proudly served in the United States Air Force for 2 years.

He married Catherine L. Holland on June 6, 1958. She passed away September 18, 2011. Mike was a successful business man with the **JCPenney Company** for 43 years. He enjoyed playing golf, watching his children and grandchildren participate in activities, and spending time with family.

Mike is survived by three sons: Mike (Julie) Clausen of Clinton, Iowa, Tim Clausen of Algonquin, Illinois, and Todd (Jennifer) Clausen of Lake Winnebago, Missouri; one brother: Dan (Dalia) Clausen of Lac Du Flambeau, Wisconsin; five grandchildren: Ryan (Meghan Sutherland) Clausen, Caitlyn (Sam) Zielke, and Brent, Macrae, and Ella Clausen, and several nieces and nephews. Mike was preceded in death by his bride of 53 years, his parents, a sister: Katherine Lindsay: and several brothers and sisters in law.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to National Kidney Foundation in care of Pitman Funeral Home, P.O. Box 126, Warrenton, MO 63383.

D'Agostino, Kay A. (Kathleen Agnes) (Sept 11, 2018) Kay, 94, of Oskaloosa, Iowa died peacefully at Crystal Heights Care Center in Oskaloosa. She was born April 13, 1924, in Oasis, Iowa, the daughter of John and Mary Agnes Coleman Hensley. She attended school in Oskaloosa and graduated from Oskaloosa High School with the class of 1942. Kay had a lifelong zest for life. She was outgoing and self-confident which served her well throughout her life. Following school, she remained in Oskaloosa to help care for her widowed father. She worked at Matthew Lumber Company and J.S. Stafford Insurance Company for 10 years. She enjoyed the activities of many clubs and sororities in Oskaloosa. In 1969, following the death of her father, her adventurous spirit led her to Dallas, Texas. She worked in an insurance office while there. On May 24, 1975, she was united in marriage to Tullio "Mike" D'Agostino (**JCPenney Construction Services**). Later they moved to Chicago and then Los Angeles. She was quick to get involved in the communities they lived in through doing volunteer work. While in Los Angeles they had a 31foot sailboat and did a lot of sailing and competitive racing. Kay loved the ocean and became a very good sailor. Mike died April 1, 1999. After Mike's death in 1999, Kay moved back to Oskaloosa to be near her family. Once settled in Oskaloosa her outgoing and gregarious personality allowed her to re-connect with many old friends and get involved with various organizations. She loved golfing, sailing, bowling, reading and horseback riding. She was an active member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Oskaloosa. Kay's family is thankful for the care and love she received while making her home at Crystal Heights.

Kay is survived by nieces and nephews, including: Mary Jo (Craig) Akers of Albia, (John) Patrick (Kham) Sodak, Kathy (Tony) Sedrel, Diane (Andy) Davis and Mike (Trina) Sodak all of Oskaloosa, Andy (Elaine) Smith of Oregon, Bill (Sue) Smith of California, Mary (Don) Prostine of Cedar Falls, Iowa, Dr. Ron (Fran) D'Agostino and Rita (Dr. George) Petrossian all of New York; a sister in law, Gilda D'Agostino of New York; and many great nieces and nephews.

In addition to her husband, Kay was preceded in death by her parents; and two sisters and their husbands, Eileen and Merle "Bud" Smith and Marion and Irving Sodak.

Mass of the Christian Burial will be held Saturday, September 15, 2018, at 10:00 a.m. in the St. Mary's Catholic Church in Oskaloosa with Reverend John Spiegel officiating. Burial will be in the St. Mary's Cemetery in Oskaloosa. The Bates Funeral Chapel is in charge of the arrangements. Visitation will begin after 11 a.m. Friday morning in the Bates Funeral Chapel. A Rosary will be recited at 5:00 Friday evening and visitation with the family will follow the Rosary until 7:00 p.m. Memorials may be made to St. Mary's Catholic Church or Crystal Heights Care Center Activity Fund.

Bittle, George (Apr 13, 2018) George, a Long-Time Alamogordo Resident and World War II Navy Veteran passed away at the age of 92.

George was born in November 1925 and was raised on a farm in Fruita, CO until 1944. Around the end of his time in Fruita, George met his future wife Patrica Collyer.

Shortly thereafter, George was drafted & served in the US Navy on USS Facility in Pacific Ocean from 1944–1946 as a sonarman. He and his friend Marvin Bixler flipped a coin to choose Navy or Marines; George's coin flip chose the Navy. George's crew was tasked with clearing the aquatic mines after the bomb in Hiroshima so that the Red Cross could safely reach the shores to bring aide.

During his Navy service, he was granted leave to marry Patricia on April 22, 1946. 1947 their 1st daughter Paula was born, in Grand Jct., CO. George sold shoes for Brown-Schelesman shoe store in Grand Junction, CO then in Durango, where he met JC Penney assistant manager Rex Terrell. Rex encouraged George to apply with JC Penney. He did, and began a long career with them where he worked from the age of 23 to 60.

George had two other daughters: Janet in 1951 and Lori in 1956. In 1969 George moved his family to Alamogordo to manage the local **JC Penney** store until retirement in 1986. George remained in Alamogordo where he lived out the remainder of his life.

Before he lost his sight, he was an amateur artist (painting & sketching). He loved hiking, fishing and doing his own basic auto mechanics. He had no enemies and loved keeping in touch with his many cherished friends. He forgave anyone who treated him badly; saying, "they must be having a rough time".

George was preceded in death by his parents George & Opal Bittle, brothers Jim & Dan Bittle, and his wife Patricia. He is survived by 3 daughters, Paula Taylor, Janet Jordan, and Lori Martinez; 5 Grandchildren, 6 Great Grandchildren, his brother Jerry Bittle; 2 step-sisters, Shirley Bittle Armstrong & Charlotte Bittle Johnson. Funeral services with military full honors will be held April 28, 2018 at 1pm, at St Jude's Parrish, in the chapel and at the columbarium: 1404 College Ave, Alamogordo, NM 88310. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation in George's name to the NM commission for the blind or your favorite charity.

Headrick, Don (Sept 12, 2018) Don, of Unionville, North Carolina, went to be with his Lord and Savior on at his home. He was 82 years old.

A native of Knoxville, Tennessee, Don retired as General Manager with J.C. Penney in Charlotte for many years. He was a proud veteran of the U.S. Army.

He is survived by his loving wife of 63 years, Marvelyn Headrick; his sons, Brian Headrick and wife, Kathy, of Mint Hill, and Mark Headrick and wife, Janet, of Kannapolis; three granddaughters, Lauren Headrick, Brook Headrick and Amy Headrick; a great-granddaughter, Braylee Headrick; and a brother, Paul Headrick and wife, Gerri, of Florida.

Friends are invited to a visitation with the family from 10:00 am until 12:00 pm Saturday, September 22, at Lakeview Baptist Church, 4602 Concord Highway (Highway 601) in Unionville, with a funeral service to follow at 12:00 pm in the Worship Center. Interment with military honors will follow in the church cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Hospice of Union County, 700 W. Roosevelt Boulevard, Monroe, North Carolina 28110.

Breipohl, Michael Joseph (Mike) (Sept 16, 2018) Michael, of Hoover passed away at home after a 10-month battle with cancer. Five strong and loving women were at his side: his sister, his wife and 3 daughters.

Born in Ottawa, Illinois on December 11, 1944, Mike graduated from Marquette High School in Ottawa and St. Ambrose University in Davenport, Iowa. In 1967 he began a 37-year career with the JC Penney Company. Mike married Ruth Bertsch in 1968 at the Church of the Nativity in Dubuque, IA. They recently celebrated 50 years of marriage. Mike's work took them to Niles, IL, Rockford, IL, Birmingham, Huntsville and Selma. They retired to Birmingham in 2005 where Mike joined a cadre of retired JC Penney managers. Not one to be idle, Mike worked as a retail liquidation consultant and at Ballantrae Golf Course and the Birmingham Marriott. He enjoyed many rounds of golf with friends.

Mike is survived by his wife, Ruth (Bertsch) Breipohl and daughters, Ellen (David) Thorp of Broomfield, CO, Sarah (Chase) Wofford of Keller, TX and Susan (Tarun Reddy) Breipohl of Vienna, VA.

Family was a cornerstone of Mike's life, and he loved spending precious time among them. Five grandchildren, Esther and Ruthie Thorp, John and Caroline Wofford and Akhil Reddy have filled the last 14 years of Mike's life with abounding love and joy.

Additionally, he is survived by his sister, Marsha Breipohl Blunk of Pekin, IL, brother Walter Breipohl of Ottawa, IL, nephews Jon Blunk of Miami, FL and Tom Blunk of Evanston, IL.

The family requests no flowers. Memorials in Mike's name may be made to St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic Church Building Fund, PO Box 380396, Birmingham, AL 35238 or Hope Hospice, 651 Main Street, Gardendale, AL 35071.

A Mass of Resurrection will be held at 12 pm on Monday, September 24 at St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic Church, 7340 Cahaba Valley Road, Birmingham AL 35242. Visitation will be 1 hour prior to the Mass.

Corkery, Richard M. (Dick) (Sept 1, 2018) Richard, of Springfield, died at 7:17 a.m. at Sunrise Assisted Living in Chicago.

He was born April 15, 1938, in Fairbank, the ninth son and eleventh child of John Charles and Margaret Elizabeth Staebell Corkery. On September 4, 1961, he married Mary Jo Connell at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Waterloo, IA after meeting on a blind date on Mary Jo's 21st birthday.

Dick graduated from Immaculate Conception School, Fairbank. Prior to college, he was drafted by the U.S. Army and served for two years. Dick graduated from Loras College and had a 32-year career with J.C. Penney, retiring as the Store Manager in Springfield in 1998.

Dick served on numerous committees and was a member of organizations in the various cities in which he lived during his career. Most notable as a long time Rotarian, on the Illinois Attorney Registration & Disciplinary Commission (ARDC), and on the Boards of St. John's Hospital, St. Joseph's Home, and Christ the King Parish Finance Council in Springfield. The unwavering faith and love of family were his hallmarks. He touched everyone he met with humility, kindness, and integrity. Dick attended daily mass and always had a rosary within reach. "God's will" was how he lived his life every day. His engaging smile was the well-known classic Corkery grin. His sweet sense of humor and optimism carried him through his life whether as a respected store manager and mentor, loving father, doting grandfather, or cherished husband. Everyone was bettered by knowing him and were lucky every day to call him a friend, father, husband, and "Papa."

Dick is survived by his wife, Mary Jo; three daughters, Anne (Matt) of Phoenix, AZ, Kate (David) of Chicago, IL and Laura (Cy) of Elmhurst, IL; five grandchildren, Olivia, Tanner, Jacob, Alec and Nicky; three brothers, Leon of Moline, IL, Tom of Jesup, IA, and Lou (Shelli) Corkery of Cedar Falls; three sisters, Patti (Richard) Sulentic of Cedar Falls, Mary Kail of Peoria, IL, and Sr. Therese Corkery of Tarija, Bolivia; and many, many nieces, nephews, grandnieces, and grandnephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and six brothers, Bob, Paul, Mike, Ed, Laurie, and Fr. Ray.

Visitation: Family will receive friends from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 6, 2018, at Kirlin-Egan & Butler Funeral Home, 900 S. 6th Street, Springfield. The visitation will begin with a prayer service.

Funeral Mass: 10:30 a.m. on Friday, September 7, 2018, at Christ the King Church, 1930 Barberry Drive, Springfield, with Rev. Joseph Ring, celebrant. Burial will follow at Camp Butler National Cemetery with military honors provided by the Interveterans Burial Detail of Sangamon County.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Joseph's Home of Springfield, 3306 S. 6th Street Springfield, IL 62703 or Catholic Charities of Springfield, 120 S. 11th Street, Springfield, IL 62703.

Moline, Ray E. (Aug 21, 2018) Ray was 88 and of Salina, KS. He was born June 12, 1930, in Omaha, Neb., to William and Clara (Pietryga) Moline.

Ray served in the U.S. Marine Corps from 1952 to 1954 and was a manager for J.C. Penney working for 45 years in Omaha, Kansas City, Ottawa, and Salina. Outside of work, Ray was an avid golfer proudly having 10 holes in one. He also loved gardening and feeding the birds, especially the Baltimore Orioles.

Ray is survived by: his wife of 68 years, Marian Moline; sons, Ronald Moline (Valerie) of Independence, Mo., Michael Moline (Delores) of Wellsville, and David Moline (Sue) of Wylie, Texas; brother, Richard Moline (Jackie) of Omaha; sister, Rita Wajda of Omaha; sisters-in-law, Shirley and Rosemary; nine grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, William Jr. and Robert.

Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m. Saturday Aug. 25, with a rosary beginning at 9:15 a.m. all at Sacred Heart Cathedral, Salina. Burial will be at Mt. Calvary Cemetery.

Memorials to: Sacred Heart Cathedral, Alzheimer's Support and Education Group of Salina, or the American Heart Association, in care of Ryan Mortuary, Salina.

King Jr., Archibald E., (August 19, 2015) Archibald 84, of Spring Lake, passed at Jersey Shore University Medical Center in Neptune, NJ. He was predeceased by his parents, Archibald & Anna King. He is survived by his wife, Marion, their four children: Archibald (Anne), George (Gail), Charles (Cathleen) and Reverend Andrew King. He is also survived by his eight grandchildren: Thomas, Alexander (Rebecca), Coulter, Mary, Harry, Barrett, Archibald and MacArthur.

He was a graduate of Georgetown University and of Columbia University School of Law. He began commissioned service in the [US Navy](#) upon his graduation from Georgetown University and served on several ships during the [Korean War](#). Following active duty, he continued his service in the US Naval Reserve, retiring at the rank of Lieutenant Commander. Following a distinguished legal career, he retired in 1990 from JCPenney as an Assistant General Counsel and moved to Spring Lake, NJ.

Until his retirement, he had been a lifelong resident of New York City and was an active member of his community. He was a founding member of the Turtle Bay Association. He served as Chairman of the Vanderbilt YMCA Board of Directors. The Vanderbilt YMCA dedicated their Early Childhood Center to him in recognition of his tireless work and support.

Guided by his deep faith and strong principles, he devoted his life to his family and friends, his community and his country. He enriched the lives of all who knew him.

Schilling, Vernon "Vern" Ray (March 15, 2018). Vern graduated from Lash High School in Zanesville, OH in 1944 and enlisted in the Army during WWII. His first assignment was with Army Specialized Training (ASTP) at Ohio State University (OSU) for two quarters. He was then sent to Camp Blanding, FL for basic training for 10 weeks and then called back to ASTP at Virginia Tech, where he remained until the war ended in 1945. He was honorably discharged in 1946 and returned to OSU where he graduated from the School of Business in 1949.

He married his high school sweetheart Margaret (Maggie) Rea in 1948. Shortly after graduation he was hired by **J.C. Penney** and went to work as a management trainee in Columbus, OH. During his career with Penney's he worked in Muncie, IN, Barberton, OH, Ellwood City, PA, Elyria, OH, Troy, OH, Wilkes Barre, PA, and Newark, OH where he retired as a store manager in 1987. Vern and Maggie made many friends with Penney's over the years and kept in close touch with them. Vern was respected for his management style and was always held in the highest regard. His management philosophy is described in J.C. Penney's book *Main Street Merchant*: "In a business such as ours the asset which towers above all others assets is not money, not buildings, not land, but people. People who see their own success in the success of their business associates." He instilled this philosophy and a strong work ethic in all his children and taught them to live by the Golden Rule.

Vern and Maggie enjoyed visiting Civil War sites, wintering at Nettles Island, FL, making annual trips to Augusta, GA to see the Masters golf tournament and above all spending time with family.

Vern is survived by his four children, Mark (Yuko) Schilling of Tokyo, Japan, Jeffrey (Jenny) Schilling of Troy, OH, Sandy (Mark) Jones of Troy, OH, and Dave (Tonya) Schilling of Johnstown, OH. He is further survived by his grandchildren: Ray and Lisa Schilling of Tokyo, Japan; Jessica (Shawn) Miller of Fishers, IN; Emily (Rob) Huber of

Reynoldsburg, OH; Sarah Schilling of Lewis Center, OH; Angie (Jim) Boggess of Fletcher, OH; Bryan (Lyndsey) Jones of Beavercreek, OH; Malle Schilling of Zanesville, OH; Coady (Faith) Brown of Westerville, OH and Cori-Ann Brown of Westerville, OH; great-grandchildren: Aleah, Brynn, Blake, Cylah, Layla, and Nolen. He was preceded in death by his loving wife Maggie and brother Everett E. Schilling.

Monroe P. Pritchett (April 2, 2018) Monroe was born January 1, 1923 in Lamesa, TX in Garland, TX.

He was a pilot in the U.S. Air Force where he served in World War II. After serving his country he spent 37 years managing **J.C. Penney** stores. Upon retirement he joined the staff of Prestonwood Baptist Church Library, where he was employed for 30 years.

Monroe was preceded in death by Father, Clyde Pritchett, Mother, Mary Myrtle Parkinson; Brothers Bruce, Billy and Richard Pritchett and sister Mary Paquin; and wife Dorothy L. Pritchett.

He is survived by son, Monty C. Pritchett and wife Dalinda; Daughter Marcy L. Woods and husband Jeff; Grandchildren Emily, Karen and husband Kyle, Cutter and Audie; and seven nieces and nephews.

There will be a service will be held on Monday, April 9, 2018 at 11:00 AM at Faith Chapel, Prestonwood Baptist Church, 6801 W. Park Blvd, Plano, TX 75093.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Prestonwood Baptist Church Library.

Denis Richard Frank (Nov 18, 2017) Denis Richard Frank was ushered into Heaven surrounded by his wife, two sons, and daughter. He was born on Sept 12, 1941. He left this world exactly how he would have wanted – with his family by his side.

Burial was Nov 22, 2017 at the Knights of Honor Cemetery in Blossom, TX.

Denis was born September 12, 1941, in New Ulm, Minnesota, to Tom and Violet Frank. At the age of 16, Denis lost his mother to a stroke. While he and his father had left for a moment, his mother passed away. Years later, Denis would say “no one should ever die alone” and he ensured no one he loved did. His family ensured he did not either. He left this world loved.

Denis attended Paris High School and was a member of the class of 1959. In 1964, he graduated from the University of Houston as a pharmacist. For 45 years he worked. Each day Denis would profess he was “off to save the health and welfare of the nation.” He was known to buy medication out of his own pocket for someone who couldn’t afford it or even after a long 12 hour day on his legs and feet after closing the store driving prescriptions to someone who was unable to pick them up. His daughter often joked about his initials DR Frank and the fact he didn’t have to go to school to be a doctor; he was born one. But to many, he was their doctor; coming to him for advice on ailments they had. Many who worked with him would say he was hard and demanded a lot but they also learned from the best. He was the true definition of a servant leader.

On June 12, 1964, he married the love of his life, Joyce Morrison, a little country girl from Blossom, Texas, who got her “big city” boy from Paris. Together they had three children, Brian, Brent, and Alicia. For years they lived in Plano, Texas, until 1982, when the family returned to Paris and he opened a Revco Drug Store. He and Joyce bought 25 acres in Blossom, Texas, where Denis attempted to be a country boy. But his land served him best as a “PawPaw” to his eight grandchildren. In his beloved John Deere Gator, Denis loved driving the grandkids around the land, checking on his cows, picking up sticks, or just smiling having them by his side. When not on the Gator, you would find him at the kitchen table playing Yahtzee. He loved his family deeply but loved his grandchildren to depths unknown. In the last few years, Lewy Body Dementia stole his life but it could not take his love for others or his deep faith in Jesus Christ. Denis loved the Lord and served him faithfully his entire life. He had several dedicated friends who visited him faithfully and loved him until the end. His family will forever be grateful to those who loved him well.

He was preceded in death by his parents Tom and Violet Frank and his stepmother Elizabeth Margraves Frank., his beloved sister, Yolaine Borg, his in laws Udell and Eunice Morrison, his brother-in-law Harold Morrison and his niece Abby Morrison. He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Joyce, his three children and their spouses, along with his eight precious grandchildren, Branigan Taylor, Tyler and Takota Frank, Jace and Halle Hutchins, Clayton Roliard, Benjamin, and Wesley Frank, a brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Randy & Jackie Morrison, as well as his

special nieces and nephews Vickie Castle, Stacey Byrd, Mike Borg, Paul Glen Morrison, Jeff Morrison and Angie Morrison. Casket bearers will be Koty Frank, Tyler Frank, Jace Hutchins, Clayton Roliard, A.W. Clem, IV, and Randy Morrison. Honorary casket bearers will be the Paris High School Class of '59.

He was known to preach the four P's to his children and those he loved. In the pages of his Bible he has written "Bless me with: persistence, perseverance, patience, peace of mind – Lord hear my prayers." He lived these four P's his entire life and completed them in his death.

Cale, Jill Diane (July 21, 2018) Jill Diane Cale of Dallas, Texas, predeceased by her parents Bill (C.W.) and Aleene Rule, was born April 12, 1954 in Sedalia, Missouri and died peacefully at home July 21, 2018.

Jill was raised in 10 cities before her parents settled in Dallas when she was a teenager. Jill graduated from Bishop Lynch H.S., then attended Benedictine College in Atchison, Kansas. Upon graduation, Jill worked as a retail executive with Sanger-Harris, Foley's, and **J.C. Penney** Department Stores. Jill became reacquainted with high school friend, Chuck Cale, whom she married on September 23, 1989 at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Dallas.

In addition to her husband, Jill leaves her daughters Katie (Zach) Frank and Kelsie Cale (fiancé Eric Flemister), grandchildren Brody and Maeve Frank, her sisters Becky (Rick) Eberius, Kathy (Joe) Beilein, brother Chris (Clare) Rule along with her loving aunts, uncles, cousins, sisters-in-law, brothers in law, nephew, nieces, great nephews, great nieces and her beloved Wolverines and Rangers.

A Memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m., Friday 27, 2018 at St. Pius X Catholic Church. Reception to follow. Donations appreciated to Bishop Lynch High School, Dallas, Texas.

Rowe, William (Bill) (July 4, 2018) He was 90 and died peacefully in his bed at home in the NW Suburbs of Chicago, surrounded by his wife, daughter, and beloved dog Hercules.

Bill is survived around the country by his wife Judy and Daughter Pamela in the NW Suburbs of Chicago, grandson and name sake Ian William in Minneapolis MN, and siblings Arnette Magnuson in Crystal Lake IL, Margaret Kauppi in Llano TX, and John Rowe in Santa Barbara CA. He was preceded in death by his sister Delores Kurta of Gile, WI and beloved niece, Karen Kauppi, a Luther L Wright Alumnus. Judy was originally from Sheboygan

Bill was born in 1928 on what was then considered Memorial Day, May 30, in Ironwood, MI to parents Irene Minard born in Ashland, WI and William Rowe born in Baltic, MI. Bill's father was an Iron miner for both the Montreal and Townsite Mines.

Bill met Judy, the love of his life of almost 57 years, at the **JCPenney** store in Sheboygan, WI where he was assistant manager under Luke Lee. Judy was the daughter of podiatrist, Dr. Orville F Zerrenner and born and raised in Sheboygan (high school class of 57). She ran the elevator at the store for a short time. Bill was personally promoted to the management program by Mr. James Cash Penny himself and often told the story of Mr. Penny's interview over lunch. Mr. Penny confided in Bill, later, that if he had salted his food first, before tasting it, he would not have been promoted.

Bill had a 6th sense for business and was a gentile and fair man with a dry sense of humor admired by his close friends and family. **He worked his way up from the Penney's shoe department to District Manager and Company Buyer, before retiring to Lakeland, FL in 1988.** Braving the winter, they eventually moved to Illinois in 2010 to be closer to their daughter and grandson. Every summer since the late 1950s, the couple would join their family at their cottage in Watersmeet, MI, to enjoy golf and 'deer' friends.

The couple had one child, Pamela, born in Milwaukee, WI. She believes that her father was the best example she could have had of how to live life and that even in his last moments, he had integrity and respect about him. She works as a Chicago wedding officiant and their only grandson, Ian William, works in the non-profit sector in Minnesota.

Bill was in ROTC while attending Luther L Wright High School, class of 1946, and a veteran of the Korean War. He served as a training officer for Chemical, Biological, and Radiological warfare at Camp McCoy Sparta, WI. and

the Chemical School in Edgewood Arsenal, Maryland. Bill was very proud of a letter he received years later thanking him for his service from President Barack Obama.

Bill will be remembered by the stories he often told over 3pm coffee, his hearty chuckle after his own jokes, and the intense impact he left on the hearts of his friends and family. There will be no public funeral held, as the family will be performing a private ceremony. All cards are asked to be sent to Judy via Kahle Moore funeral home in Cary Illinois.

Born on Memorial Day and went out with a bang on the 4th of July! - Bill would have loved the witticism.

Barbro, Dennis K. (July 15, 2018) Dennis passed away peacefully at his home in Des Peres, MO surrounded by his family after a year long battle with ALS, Sunday, July 15, 2018 at the age of 69.

Beloved husband for 47 years of Sharon "Sherry" Barbro (nee Drinen); loving father of Nathan Michael (Blanca) Barbro; dear grandfather of Sierra Barbro; son of Leamon and Helen Barbro (nee Fleig); brother of Frances (Dennis) Loomis and the late Paul (Pam Barbro Erstling) Barbro; son-in-law of Jesse Drinen; brother-in-law of Stephen (Beverly) Drinen and Michael (Linda) Drinen; uncle of Heather (Scott) Silkwood, Julie (Steven) Clark, Wade (Nikki) Trapp, Katherine (Marc) Lazar, the late Suzanne (Monty) Worthington, Eric Drinen, Nicholas Drinen and Jed (Kristin) Drinen; great-uncle of Zoe Silkwood, Emma and Audrey Clark, Noah, Rylan and Sofia Trapp, Hannah and Owen Lazar and Audrey Drinen; friend to many.

Dennis was retired from **JCPenney** after over 30 years of committed service and loved fishing, hunting, golf, and was a spirited Cardinal's fan.

Services: Memorial Service at the SCHRADER Funeral Home and Crematory, 14960 Manchester Road at Holloway Road, Ballwin, MO on Saturday, 11:30 a.m. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to [ALS Association](#) or [Mercy Hospice](#). Memorial visitation Saturday 10:30 a.m. until the time of the service at 11:30 a.m. Friends may sign the family's on-line guestbook at Schrader.com. <http://www.schrader.com/obituary/dennis-k-barbro>

Tygart, William Barger (July 4, 2018) Barger was born in Danville, Arkansas August 16, 1935 to Joshua (Josh) Tygart and Willie (Bill) Edna Hunter. He passed away July 4, 2018 at Baylor Heart Hospital in Plano, Texas while surrounded by his loving family. Barger attended Danville High School and graduated from Arkansas Tech University in Russellville, Arkansas where he proudly played football and baseball for The Wonder Boys. He was married to his high school sweetheart, Doris Shinn Tygart for 62 years until his death in 2018.

While in college, Barger was a member of ROTC. Later, he joined the active military for 3 years and continued in the Army Reserves for 23 more years. He retired as a Major.

Barger was always known as the best dancer and best dresser in school, as he loved clothes. He knew everyone and always remembered their names. These traits carried over into his extremely successful career. Barger got his first taste of business by selling at his father's general store in Danville, where as an only child, he worked during vacations helping his parents.

He began his career with **JCPenney** in downtown Little Rock, Arkansas. Over the course of the next 38 years, his career took him from Little Rock to San Antonio, Denver, New York, Chicago and Dallas. He retired from JCPenney in 1998 as President, Chief Operating Officer and Vice Chairman.

Barger loved JCPenney, loved retail and lived and breathed his job. He was known for his love of double breasted suits and pocket squares. Tales have been told that if you complemented his ties, he would give one to you. He was once known to own more sweaters and shoes than some of his stores. But most of all, he had a passion for his job. He loved to beat his competition, a trait obtained from his early sports days. After JCPenney, Barger became CEO and President of Monarch Dental Corporation. He was a director for Burlington Industries. He also served on the Board of Directors for KERA Public Television where he was an Honorary Life Director.

In addition, Barger was a past President of Arkansas Tech Alumni Association and a Hall of Distinction member. He was named Retailer of the Year in 1992 by the Men's Fashion Association. In addition, he was named into The Apparel Industry Hall Of Fame. In 1994, Barger was awarded the Father of the Year Award. He served on advisory

boards for The University of Arkansas, American Studies Institute at Harding University, The National Council of La Raza, The Fashion Association, and The Fashion Institute of Technology.

Their kids described Barger with words such as kind, good, loving, good father, fashionable dresser, special, hard worker, the family anchor, always had the answer, long winded and last but certainly not the least, soft hearted.

Barger and Doris had four children: Suzan Collins (Ron) of McKinney, Texas, Hunter and Elliott Collins, Barger Tygart (Diane) of Plano, Texas, Hanna and Will Tygart, Julie Hughes (Neil) of Oceanport, New Jersey, Josh, Leah, Julianne and Neil, Mark Tygart (Terri) of Plano, Texas, and Jack and Kate. They had ten grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren. ***Thanks for all the memories Pop!***

The family will receive friends during a visitation on Sunday, July 8, 2018 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow Funeral Home, 2525 Central Expressway North, Allen, Texas 75013 (Ridgeview Exit 38A). A funeral service will be held at 10:00 a.m., Monday, July 9, 2018 at Prestonwood Baptist Chapel with Dr. Jack Graham officiating, 6801 West Park Blvd, Plano, Texas 75093. A reception is to immediately follow the service.

A graveside service will be held at 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 11, 2018 at Earl Ladd Cemetery with Brother Joe Carlton officiating, Highway 80, Danville, Arkansas. A reception is to immediately follow at First Baptist Church, 1009 Main Street, Danville, Arkansas.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to:

The American Heart Association
7272 Greenville Avenue
Dallas, Texas 75231

Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children
2222 Welborn Street
Dallas, Texas 75219

KERA
3000 Harry Hines Blvd
Dallas, Texas 75201