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ARNOLD BEGLEY 1942-2012

DOTHAN, Ala. – Arnold "Arnie" Begley, a resident of Dothan, died Saturday, Aug. 25 at his residence. He was 70.

He was born April 9, 1942, in Dry Hill, Ky., and proudly served in the U.S. Marine Corp. He took great pride in his ability to perform exceptional body work on cars. He had a love of cars and trains and was known by his family and friends as being very generous to everyone he met.

Survivors include two sons, Shane Begley and Chad (Kris) Lantow; four brothers, Paul (Ruby) Begley of Gray, Ky., Jim (Jean) Begley of Titusville, Fla., Dave (Linda) Begley of Payne and Bruce "Butch" (Janet) Begley, Cape Canaveral, Fla.; two sisters, Mildred "Mick" (Gene) Shoenauer and Dianne Farling, both of Payne; three grandchildren, Sarah, Kaitlin and Thomas Lantow; and a dear friend, companion and caregiver, Martha Prescott.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Martha; a stepdaughter, Gena Lantow; his parents, Julius and Esther Begley; a brother, Michael Lynn "Pink" Begley; and four sisters, Coteal Lee, Lorene Gordon, Barbara Guyton and Bernadyne Rodgers.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 15 at Antwerp Bethel Church in Antwerp with Pastor Max Begley officiating. A dinner will follow.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Southern Care Hospice, 2576 Montgomery Highway, Suite 2, Dothan AL 36303.

ARTHUR PRICE 1933-2012

OAKWOOD – Arthur J. Price, 79, of Oakwood, died at 6:40 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 28 at Defiance Area Inpatient Hospice Center.

He was born Jan. 4, 1933 in Paulding, the son of Arthur C. and Edna B. (Aufrance) Price. On June 10, 1978, he married Dorothy Riley, who survives in Oakwood. He was a Navy veteran of the Korean Conflict. He retired from General Motors in 1989 and was a member of UAW Local 211 of Defiance and Paulding VFW. He was a loving husband and father. He was an avid fisherman and outdoorsman who loved life to the fullest.

Also surviving are his children, Pam (John) Arnett of Oakwood, Sheree (Reid) Bruce of Dallas, Jackie Roughton of Continental, Arthur F. (Latasha) Price of Cecil, Tuge Price of Continental, Brian Bradford of Grover Hill, and Sheila (Scott) Kiner of Palm Desert, Calif.; 13 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; and a sister: Jean Winterhalter of Defiance.

There will be no funeral service or visitation. Arrangements are under the direction of Heitmeyer Funeral Home, Oakwood.

Condolences may be expressed at www.heitmeyerfuneralhome.com

WAYNE GORDON 1928-2012

CECIL – Wayne O. Gordon, 84, of Cecil, passed away Wednesday, Aug. 29 at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

He was born July 9, 1928 in Antwerp, the son of William and Lizzie (Wentworth) Gordon. He attained the rank of corporal in the U.S. Army, serving from 1951-57. On Jan. 25, 1951, he married Marceil McMichael, who survives. He was a lifelong farmer and worked at Dana Weatherhead, Antwerp. He was a member of the Antwerp American Legion Post 253.

Also surviving are his children, Debra (Thomas) Clouse of Tiffin, Linda (Jan) Leaders of Napoleon and Daniel (Margie) Gordon of Cecil; grandchildren, Kimberly (Randy) Carpenter, Jody (Jacob) Bernath, Sarah, Amy and Laura Leaders, Boston (Sumer) Waltenberger, Brandon Headley and Dalton (Brooke) Gordon.

He was preceded in death by his siblings, Doris Beerbower, Dorothy Schwartzwalder, Helen Emenhiser, Edith Cook and Edwin, Don and Kenny Gordon; and a great-grandchild, Maxwell James Waltenberger.

His funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 1 at Dooley Funeral Home in Antwerp with the Rev. Max Begley officiating. Burial will be in Bethel Cemetery.

Visitation is from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 31 and one hour prior to services on Saturday.

Preferred memorials are to Paulding County Senior Center or Bethel United Methodist Church.

Condolences and fond memories may be shared at www.dooleyfuneralhome.com.
LUCILE LAUKHUF SHEALY 1909-2012
PAYNE – Lucile Marie (Guingrich) Laukhuf Shealy, 103, died Aug. 25, at the Country Inn Enhanced Living Center in Paulding, where she was a resident.
She was born July 13, 1909, in Gridley, Ill., the daughter of Emanuel and Rosa (Schultz) Guingrich. In 1927, she married Oscar R. Laukhuf, who preceded her in death in 1976. In 1978, she married the Rev. Grant Shealy, who died in 1987. She was a homemaker and a cook for the former Payne School system. She was a member of the St. John's Lutheran Church of Briceton.
Surviving are three daughters, Shirley Pettit of Orlando, Fla., Elaine Milan of Cedarburg, Wis. and Marilyn Dargatz of Springboro, Ohio; two stepsons, Fred Shealy of Pharr, Texas and Thomas (Kathy) Shealy of Columbus; a brother, Robert W. Guingrich of Fort Wayne; seven grandchildren; 11 great- grandchildren; five stepgrandchildren; four great-stepgrandchild.
Also preceding her in death were four brothers, Chester, Virgil, Edward and Omer; three sisters, Madie Laukhuf, Helen Sinn Miller and Minerva Stoller; a son, Russell Laukhuf; and a daughter, Lois Ann Laukhuf.

Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 30, at St. Paul Evangelical
Lutheran Church in Paulding with Pastor Karen Stetins officiating. Burial will follow in the Latty
Apostolic Christian Church Cemetery in Latty.

Visitation will be from 2-8 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 29, at Den Herder Funeral Home in Paulding. There will also be calling at the church on Thursday morning one hour prior to funeral service from 10-11 a.m.

Lucile is dearly missed by all who knew her.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial contributions be made to St. John's Lutheran Church of Briceton or the Country Inn Enhanced Living Center Memorial Tree Fund.

On line condolences may be sent to: www.denherderfh.com.

BETTY FORTNEY 1924-2012

CONVOY – Betty Louise Fortney, age 87, of Convoy, died at 6:04 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 21 at CHP-Inpatient Hospice Center, Van Wert.

She was born Oct. 3, 1924 in Monroeville, Ind., the daughter of Homer and Viola (Haas) Taylor. She married Charles Baumert, who preceded her in death Oct. 20, 1971. On Sept. 8, 1973, she married Esten M. Fortney, who survives. A graduate of Monroeville High School, she was a homemaker and worked at Gibson's IGA in Convoy until 1989. She was a member of Convoy United Methodist Church and the UMW, Hesperian Chapter #281 Order of the Eastern Star of Payne and of TWIG Group I of Van Wert County Hospital.

Also surviving are her children, Linda (Randy) McNamara of Payne, Jack (Jeanette) Baumert of Fort Wayne, Carl (Linda) Baumert of Antwerp, Pam (David) Herminghuysen of Van Wert, Jill (Dave) Bauer of Orlando, Fla., and Jack (Tracy) Fortney of Van Wert; a daughter-in-law, Jill Fortney, Van Wert; eight grandchildren; nine stepgrandchildren; 20 grandchildren; and 15 great-stepgrandchildren.

She also was preceded in death by a stepson, Jerry Fortney; two grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; two brothers; and one sister.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, Aug. 24 at Convoy United Methodist Church with Pastor Gregory Leigh officiating. Burial will be in Lehman Cemetery, Payne.

Visitation is from 3-7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 23 at Cowan & Son Funeral Home in Van Wert and at the church one hour prior to services on Friday.

Preferred memorials are to the church or the Inpatient Hospice Center.

Expressions of sympathy may be forwarded at cowanfuneralhome.com.

CARLVIN "CARL" ROOP 1932-2012

SCOTT – Carlvin "Carl" F. Roop, 79, Scott, died at 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 18 at Select Specialty Hospital, Fort Wayne.

He was born Oct. 20, 1932, in Rockford, the son of Joseph and Hazel (Sprague) Roop.

He worked maintenance at Ley Equipment, Teleflex, then retired in 1994 with Budd Company, all of Van Wert. He married Connie Stahl, who survives. He was a veteran of the Korean War in the U.S. Army, a member of the Van Wert American Legion and enjoyed fishing and camping.

Also surviving are two sons, William (Robin) Roop of Scott and Michael (Cheryl) Roop of Van Wert; two daughters, Chris Harman of Van Wert and Laurie Roop, Fort Wayne; and several grandchildren, great-grand- and great-grandchildren.

Private family services will be held. Alspach-Gearhart Funeral Home & Crematory, Van Wert, is in charge of arrangements.

Preferred memorial is the American Heart Association.

Condolences may be expressed at www.alspachgearhart.com.

HELEN YENSER 1943-2012

OAKWOOD – Helen Darlene Yenser, 69, of Oakwood, passed away on Monday, Aug. 20 at the Paulding County Hospital.

She was born on Aug. 4, 1943 in Defiance, the daughter of Russell and Flora (Doyle) Butler. On Jan. 27, 1961 at the Defiance Church of the Brethren, she married Herald "Gene" Yenser, who survives. She was a member of Defiance Church of the Brethren, and a retired nurse.

Also surviving are daughters, Shelley (Mike) Shinners, Kris (Wayne) Noffsinger, Sonya (Steve Hammon) Yenser-Hammon, Sheila (Denny) Martin and Tamara (John) Sohn; a son, Eric Yenser, brothers, Clyde, Russell and Merlin Butler; 13 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her parents; sisters, Nola Stoller and Norma Jean Phlipot; and a grandson, Tanner Martin.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Aug. 24 at Defiance Church of the Brethren with the Rev. Dick Nuewirth will be officiating.

Visitation will be held from 2-8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 23, at Hanenkrath-Clevenger-Schaffer Funeral Home in Defiance and at the church one hour prior to services on Friday.

Preferred memorials are to the church.

Online condolences can be given at www.HCSFuneralHome.com.

ROGER HOGANS 1954-2012

LEESBURG, Fla. – Roger Eugene Hogans, age 57, passed away at 3:10 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 11 at his home in Leesburg after a six-month battle with cancer.

He was born on Nov. 8, 1954 in Hogansville, Ga., the son of Grady and Evelyn (Turner) Hogans. On Sept. 13, 1985, he married Kimberly Marie Wilhelm, who survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Elizabeth Wilhelm Bradbury of Fort Wayne and Arie and Reann Hogans, both of Leesburg; three sons, Jared (Jessie) Hogans of Payne, Jason (Andrea) Hogans and Ryan Hogans, both of Leesburg; five brothers; three sisters; and five grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Mike, of Paulding; and two grandchildren, Isaac and Madison Hogans.

Private memorial services were held Wednesday, Aug. 15 in Leesburg, Fla. Brewer & Sons Funeral Homes & Cremation Services was in charge of arrangements.

ROBERT E. WILLIAMS 1929 – 2012

SPRINGBORO – Robert E. Williams, 83, formerly of Haviland, passed away Monday, August 13 at Spring Hill Nursing Home in Springboro, Ohio.

He was born March 8, 1929 in Mandale, the son of Schuyler T. and Mary R. (Rowe) Williams. He graduated from Haviland-Scott High School and was a Korean War veteran. He was a retiree from the U.S. Postal Service.

He is survived by a sister, Evelyn Harrison of Indianapolis; and two brothers, Paul Williams of Columbus and Dennis (Miriam) Williams of Dayton.

He was proceeded in death by four brothers, Schuyler Jr., Donald, James and Ronald Williams, and three sisters, Betty Robinson, Juanita Morning, and Vera McGee.

Graveside services will be held at 2 p.m., today, Aug. 22 at Middle Creek Cemetery, Grover Hill. Bradford-Connelly Glicker Funeral Home of Dayton was in charge of arrangements.

DANA COPPES 1958-2012

VAN WERT – Dana L. Coppes, 53, of Van Wert, died at 4:12 p.m., Tuesday, Aug. 14, at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne.

He was born Aug. 17, 1958, in Paulding, the son of Richard and Joan (Parker) Coppes. He worked at Grief Brothers in Van Wert and was the former owner of JD's Whine and Dine in Middle Point. He loved to fish and throw darts.

He is survived by his mother, Joan Coppes of Oakwood; two sons, Christopher (Lucretia) Coppes of Defiance and Jeremy Chad Coppes of Paulding; a brother, Dale (Deena) Coppes of Grover Hill; a sister, Karen (Steve) Leatherman of Oakwood and three grandchildren.
He was preceded in death by his father, Richard Coppes.
Funeral services will be conducted at 1 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 18, at Alspach-Gearhart Funeral Home in Van Wert, with the Rev. William Nirote officiating.
Hours of visitation will be from 4-8 p.m., Friday, Aug. 17 and from 11 a.m1 p.m., the day of services.
Preferred memorials can be directed to the choice of the donor.
AMANDA SUE KING
A graveside service and memorial will be held Thursday, Aug. 16 for Amanda Sue King, 37, formerly of Oakwood.

It will start with a graveside service at noon at Rochester Cemetery, located on County Road

She passed away July 24, 2012 in Port St. Lucie, Fla.

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424 (old U.S. 24) Cecil, with the Rev./friend Penny Mortemore officiating. A memorial service in
her honor will be held at 2 p.m. at the Ayersville United Methodist Church, 27728 Ayersville Ave.
and will be followed by a luncheon. Please come join us in the celebration of her life.

MARVIN SLATTMAN 1962-2012

OAKWOOD – Marvin R. Slattman, 49, of Oakwood, died at 8:53 a.m. Friday, Aug. 10 at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

He was born Oct. 29, 1962 in Lima, the son of H. Bernard and Evelyn (Leatherman) Slattman. He was a small engine repairman.

Surviving are his father, of Oakwood; two brothers, James (Robin) Slattman of Marysville and Jerry Slattman of Cloverdale; and several nieces, nephews and great-nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his mother.

Funeral services will begin at 2 p.m. Monday, Aug. 13. at Heitmeyer Funeral Home at Oakwood with the Rev. Terry Porter officiating. Burial will follow in Prairie Chapel Cemetery, Oakwood.

Visitation is one hour prior to services at Heitmeyer Funeral Home, Oakwood.

Memorials may be made to the charity of the donor's choice.

Condolences may be expressed at www.heitmeyerfuneralhome.com.
TARA HODGE 1971-2012
VAN WERT – Tara J. Hodge, 41, went to be with her Lord and Savior on Tuesday, Aug. 7, following a long illness.
She was born June 2, 1971, in Toledo, the daughter of Ronald and Norma Hodge.
She is survived by her mother, Norma Hodge of Van Wert; a brother, Charles (Peggy) Graves of Van Wert; two sisters, Chauvonne (Graves) Tolley of Clovis, N.M., and Pamela (Hill) Harding of Texas; a niece, Jeannie Graves; three nephews, Charles (Liz) Graves Jr., David Graves and Samuel Tolley; four great-nephews, Charles IV, Thomas, Nicholas and William (godson); two aunts, Rosetta Acosta of Monroeville, Ind., and Margaret Long of Portsmouth; and one uncle, Dent Flemming of Columbus.
She was preceded in death by her father; a brother, Duane Graves; maternal grandmother, Phrona Dorton; and paternal grandmother, Minnie Miller.
Funeral services will be conducted at 1 p.m. Monday, Aug. 13 at Den Herder Funeral Home in Paulding, with the Rev. Tommy Sandefer officiating.
Visitation will be from 10 a.m. until service time Monday.
Memorial contributions are to the family.

Online condolences may be sent to: www.denherderfh.co

LARRY BRUICK 1942-2012

ANTWERP – Larry W. Bruick, 69 of Sarasota, Fla., formerly of Antwerp, passed away July 24 at his residence.

He was born Oct. 19, 1942 in Monroeville, Ind., the son of Edwin and Violet (McNeal) Bruick. He served his country in the U.S. Air Force from 1963-65. On Aug. 6, 1966, he married Margaret Campbell, who preceded him in death April 10, 2005. In 2006, he married Debbie Martin, who survives. He had worked at BF Goodrich, but was best known for owning and operating the A&W Drive-In and the Pop N Brew in Antwerp with his wife Margaret for over 35 years. He always enjoyed time at the lake with family and friends.

Surviving are his daughters, Christy (Mark) Williamson of Antwerp and Nikki (Steve) Zuber of Van Wert; a sister, Patricia Copper of Monroeville, Ind.; and grandchildren, Madison, Morgan Brooke, Sam, Rachel and Taylor.

He also was preceded in death by his stepbrother, Edwin.

Memorial services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 18 at Mount Calvary Lutheran Church, 3497 CR 424, Antwerp. Dooley Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Visitation will be held one hour prior to services.

In lieu of flowers, preferred memorials are to the church, Antwerp High School Athletic Department or Delphos St. John's Athletic Department.
Condolences and fond memories may be shared at www.dooleyfuneralhome.com.
EDNA BRUNS, R.N.
PAULDING – Edna E. Bruns, R.N., age 102, died peacefully, Saturday, Aug. 4, 2012 at The Gardens of Paulding Assisted Living.
Born in Allen County, Ind., she was the daughter of William F. and Katie (Helmke) Bruns. She was a lifelong member of Christ Lutheran Church, Woodburn. She attended Christ Lutheran School, graduated from Woodburn High School and Fort Wayne Lutheran Hospital School of Nursing. She was employed by Drs. C.W. and Fred Dahling and E.M. Hoetzer. She was a retired member of ANA, a member New Haven Women's Club, LWML and Christ Lutheran Women's Society.
She is survived by a sister-in-law, Alice Bruns; nieces and nephews, Peggy Dix, Lester (Betty) Bruns, Patricia (James) Herzog, Maurie (Regina) Hahn, Kathy Ann Agler, Theresa (Devon) Lehman, William (Karen) Bruns, Mary Ann (Fritz) Cooper and Janice Hahn Thomas.

She was preceded in death by brothers, Alfred, Anton, Walter and Eugene Bruns; a sister, Irene

(Scott) Hahn; nephews, Gary Bruns, Keith Hahn and Roger Bruns, and a niece, Sally Byers.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 11 with calling one hour prior at Christ Lutheran Church, Woodburn, with Pastor Timothy Edwards officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Visitation is from 3-7 p.m. Friday, Aug. 10 at E. Harper & Son Funeral Home, New Haven.

Preferred memorials are to Christ Lutheran Church or Woodburn Lutheran School.

To share online condolences please visit www.harperfuneralhome.com.

MARY LOU PORTER 1926-2012

OAKWOOD – Mary Lou Porter, 85, of Oakwood, died at 12:28 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 4 at her residence.

She was born Oct. 2, 1926 in Montrose, Colo., the daughter of Nelson and Loretta (Scharf) Nissen. On Dec. 7, 1943, she married Basil L. Porter, who preceded her in death May 19, 2009. She retired from Paulding County Hospital, where she had worked as a receptionist.

Surviving are two sons, Steve (Phyllis) Porter and John (Michele) Porter, both of Paulding; five

grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.
She also was preceded in death by two daughters, Karen and Sharon, in infancy; two brothers; and two sisters.
Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 7 at Heitmeyer Funeral Home, Oakwood, with the Rev. Terry Porter officiating. Burial will follow in Little Auglaize Cemetery, Melrose.
Visitation will be from 4-8 p.m. Monday, Aug. 6, and one hour prior to services on Tuesday at the funeral home.
Memorials may be given to the charity of donor's choice.
Condolences can be expressed at www.heitmeyerfuneralhome.com.
OPAL ANKNEY 1921-2012
PAULDING – Opal Faye Ankney, age 90, died Friday, Aug. 3 at Paulding County Hospital.

She was born Dec. 28, 1921 in Paulding, the daughter of Joseph and Ruth (Hoover) Glick. On June 16, 1940, she married Estel W. "Jim" Ankney, who preceded her in death on March 20, 2002. She was employed by the former Ben Franklin Store of Paulding for 33 years. She was a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church Paulding and the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program of Paulding County.

She is survived by two sons, R. Rex (Lula Mae) Ankney and Marv (Lori) Ankney, both of Paulding; a daughter, Melody J. "Mel" (Gary) Schultz, Findlay; a sister, Maxine Hanenkratt, Cecil; 10 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.

She also was preceded in death by five brothers, Olen, Roger, Dean, Russell and Charles Glick; and a sister, Edna Schooley.

Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 7 at St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, Paulding. Burial will follow in Live Oak Cemetery, Paulding.

Visitation will be from 2-8 p.m. Monday, Aug. 6 at Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding, and one hour prior to services on Tuesday at the church.

Memorial donations may be made to St. Paul Lutheran Church or Paulding County Hospital Home Health.

Online condolences may be sent to www.denherderfh.com.

DIANA BOLEY 1958-2012

SCOTT – Diana S. Boley, 53, of Scott, went to be with her Lord and Savior at 6:20 a.m. Friday, Aug. 3 at Van Wert Inpatient Hospice Center, Van Wert, after a courageous seven-year battle with cancer.

She was born Dec. 8, 1958, in Van Wert, the daughter of Dwight D. and Marjorie (Neiford) Secaur. On Aug. 13, 1979, she married Rick D. Boley, who survives. A 1977 graduate of Van Wert High School, she was a unit secretary at the Van Wert Hospital and a member of Trinity Friends Church of Van Wert.

Also surviving are her mother, of Van Crest in Convoy; two sons, Curtis (Jill) Boley of Blacklick and Nick (Shannon) Boley of Van Wert; a daughter, Erika (Robert) Mefferd of Convoy; two brothers, Barry (Judy) Secaur of Decatur, Ind., and Jim (Sierra) Secaur of Convoy; a sister, Karen (Jim) Feasby of Convoy; seven grandchildren, Luke, Grant and Courtney Mefferd, McKenna and Alivia Boley, Elijah Boley and Madison Rabold; and many nieces and nephews.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 7 at Cowan & Son Funeral Home, Van Wert. The Revs. Steve Savidge and Neil Hammons will officiate. Burial will be in Woodland Cemetery, Van Wert.

Visitation is from 2-8 p.m. Monday, Aug. 6.

Preferred memorials are to Trinity Friends Church or the Pregnancy Life Center.

LORENE LEE 1931-2012

PAYNE – C. Lorene Lee, age 80, died Tuesday, July 31, at Rivertrace Nursing Center, Washington, N.C.

She was born Sept. 7, 1931, in Loyall, Ky., the daughter of Andy and Ida (Hurst) Brooks. She was a central service tech for Parkview Hospital and a member of the Church of Christ, Payne, and a former member of Blackhawk Christian Church, Fort Wayne.

She is survived by a daughter, Joan (Robert) Christianson, Greenville, N.C.; a son, George S. Lee, Hampton, Va.; one sister, Shirley Lankford, Tennessee; three brothers, Kenneth Brooks, Auburn Brooks and Larry Brooks; and three grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; two brothers, Eugene and James Brooks; and two sisters, Bobby Sue Cawood and Melta Zapata.

Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 8, at Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding. Burial will follow in Blue Creek Cemetery, Haviland.

Visitation will be from 2-8 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 7, at the funeral home and one hour prior to services on Wednesday.

Memorial donations may be made to Parkinson Foundation or a charity of the donor's choice.

Online condolences may be sent to www.denherderfh.com.

DONALD HUEBNER

LAURENS, S.C. – Donald Max Huebner, 88, beloved husband of the late Florence Roth Huebner, passed away Wednesday, Aug. 1, 2012, at Laurens County Hospital.

Born in Paulding County, he was a son of Willie Max and Sylvia Holland Huebner. A U.S. Army veteran of World War II, he retired from The Shell Oil Company, was a Mason for over 60 years, and a member of Atonement Lutheran Church.

He is survived by a son, Eddy (Rita) Huebner of Cleveland; five grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and his brothers and sisters.

In addition to his wife, he was predeceased by a daughter, Sharon Huebner, and a son, Max Huebner.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 4 at Atonement Lutheran Church in Laurens, conducted by Pastor Rick Inman. Entombment will be in Forest Lawn Mausoleum with military and Masonic rites.

The family will receive friends at The Kennedy Mortuary in Laurens from 6-8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 3.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Atonement Lutheran Church, 413 W. Farley Ave., Laurens, SC 29360.

Condolences may be expressed at thekennedymortuary.com.

VIRGIL ADKINS 1939-2012

VAN WERT – Former Haviland resident Virgil L. Adkins, age 73, died Monday, July 30 at Van Wert Area Inpatient Hospice Center, Van Wert.

He was born May 26, 1939 in Oak Hill, the son of Ernest and Iva (Leonard) Adkins. On Aug. 3, 1965, he married Marilyn Joy "Jo" Dover, who survives. He was a U.S. Army veteran, serving during the Vietnam Conflict Era. He retired as a truck driver in 2000, having previously worked for Ostling Drainage, Scott Miller Trucking, Aeroquip of Van Wert, Chemical Waste of Fort Wayne, Ryder Transportation of Fort Wayne and Active Transportation of Detroit. He was a member of Van Wert Moose #1320, Paulding Eagles #2405, Van Wert American Legion #178, and Van Wert VFW #5803.

Also surviving are three daughters, Eve Marie Butler of Kingston, Okla., and Tammy Sue (Travis) McCoy and Misty Dawn Browning, both of Van Wert; a brother, Weldon (Georgianna) Adkins, Haviland; six sisters, Freda Farris of Grover Hill, Betty Lou Myers and Nancy Jo (Dave) Laukhuf, both of Paulding, Merri Adkins and Ruth Ann Healy, both of Fort Wayne, and Sandra Kay Lee of Haviland; nine grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Charles "Hobe" Adkins; a sister, Shirley Yoh; and a granddaughter, Christine Marie Browning.

Funeral services will be conducted 11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 4 at Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding. Burial will follow in Pleasant View Cemetery, Latty Township.

Visitation will be from 2-4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 3 at the funeral home and one hour prior to services on Saturday.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials made to Visiting Nurses and Hospice.

Online condolences may be sent to www.denherderfh.com.

For July 2012 obituaries, click here