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MARX, Judith Ann 82, of Seminole, passed away on Thursday, December 19, 2019. She was born on June 7, 1937 in Albion, MI to the late Harris and Elizabeth Mowery. Judy is survived by children, John (Nancy) Barker of Granville OH, Robert (Lorilee) Barker of Champaign, IL and step-daughter, Gail Hughes of Webster, NY; sister, Joan (Sam) Barnett of Sarasota FL; eight granddaughters; four great-grandchildren and nieces and nephews. In addition to her parents, Judy was preceded in death by her husband, Don; one brother and a granddaughter. The church was a very important part of Judy's life, she was a member of Calvary Episcopal Church. She loved to play bridge and golf. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, January 11 at Calvary Episcopal Church, Indian Rocks Beach at 10 am. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the Calvary Episcopal Church Cursillo Fund in memory of Judy Marx.

Amy (Westrem) Carney, October 15, 1937 ~ June 14, 2022 (age 84). One of the most beautiful souls to have ever lived, left this earth on Tuesday, June 14th, 2022.

Amy Westrem Carney, aged 84, was born in Grand Forks, North Dakota on October 15, 1937, to J. Toby and Bergit Westrem. She spent her early life in East Grand Forks, Minnesota, graduating from High School there in 1955, where she was Head Majorette. She received her BS in Home Economics from the University of North Dakota in 1959. She married her high school sweetheart, Jim Carney, in 1958, spending 54 years together until his death in 2012.

Amy was a wonderful homemaker, who was skilled at cooking and sewing. She had the opportunity to set up house 6 times while following her husband's retail career across the Midwest. She made a home for her family in East Grand Forks, MN; Milwaukee, WI; Brainerd, MN; Springfield, IL; Mt. Pleasant, MI; and West Lafayette, IN. She lived her final years in Zionsville, IN.

While in West Lafayette, Amy was a founding partner in Parkway Realty, and President of Carney Inc/DBA B. Caryl, a ladies boutique.

Amy loved her husband and family with all of her heart. She was a completely selfless woman who always took the "burnt toast" claiming, "I like burnt toast". She taught her children how to love unconditionally, as her mother taught her.

Amy was preceded in death by her parents; husband; sister, Teresa Westrem Bakken; brothers-in-law, Jack and Peter Carney; and her best friend and sister-in-law, Dorothy Westrem.

Amy is survived by her 3 children who always told her she was the best mom in the whole world, and who were all with her the day she died in her home from natural causes: Tim Carney (Sue) of Creve Coeur, MO, Beth Carroll (Dennis) of Zionsville, IN and Heidi Dugan (Dave) of Carmel, IN; her adored grandchildren, Dennis and Briget Carroll, and Max and Riley Dugan; and her brother, John Westrem of East Grand Forks. She was recently blessed with her first great-grandchild, Edmond Dugan.

Amy will be greatly missed by all who loved her. She will be put to rest at Resurrection Cemetery in East Grand Forks alongside her husband sometime this fall.

In lieu of flowers or donations, Amy would prefer you treat yourself to something you love.

Carole V. Indermuehle, November 19, 1934 - August 18, 2021 (Nee Lee) (spouse of Ernie) Died peacefully surrounded by her loving family Wednesday, August 18, 2021, age 86. Beloved wife of the late Ernie. Loving mother of Lisa (David) Kroll, Lora (Dave) Dooley, Dawn (John) Wittak, and Beth (Mike) Yohnk. Proud grandma of Daniel (Cassandra) Kroll, Jonathan (Katlyn) Kroll, Andrew (Jamie) Kroll, Patrick (Sarah) Wittak, Rebecca Wittak, Jacob Yohnk, and Hannah Yohnk. Great-grandma of Jordynne, Audrey, Emmett, Evelyn, and William. Also loved by other family and friends.

Carole led a very active life. She especially enjoyed Bible Study, Christian Women's Club, her bridge groups, and the Red Hat Merry Makers. She was a longtime member of Unity Lutheran Church – Christ the King Campus, where she was very involved in many committees and social activities over the years. Carole liked to travel, knit, and sew. Most of all, she loved spending time with her family — especially “her girls.”

Visitation at Unity Lutheran Church – Christ the King Campus, 4600 North Pilgrim Road, Brookfield, Wisconsin, Monday, August 23, 2021, 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM. Funeral Service at 12:00 PM. Private entombment at Wisconsin Memorial Park.

Robert Frank Milleville

June 18, 1929 — June 18, 2022, Carmel, IN

Robert Milleville, longtime Carmel resident and member of King of Glory Lutheran Church, died Saturday, June 18, from natural causes. He was 93.

Bob's 44-year career with the J.C. Penney Company saw him managing stores in Minnesota, Iowa, and northern Indiana before moving to Carmel in 1978, where he managed the store at Lafayette Square until his retirement in 1990.

Bob, along with his late-wife Helen, was an active member of King of Glory, often called on to create carpentry projects for the church. He'll be remembered for the Easter crosses he created as well as storage cabinets for the bell choir and preschool and display cases in the church lobby.

Bob was born to Edgar and Harriet Milleville in Clayton Township, Michigan, on June 18, 1929. His father, a Lutheran minister, served parishes in Michigan, Ontario, and Wisconsin.

Bob and Helen were married in Marshfield, Wisconsin, in 1952. They were the proud parents of four children and made their home in several Midwest communities over the years, including St. Paul, Minnesota; Dubuque, Iowa; Winona, Minnesota; Vinton, Iowa; Burlington, Iowa; Elkhart, Indiana; and Carmel.

Misfortune struck Bob and Helen in 1999 when their Carmel home was destroyed by fire. At age 70, Bob designed his new home on the site of the old one and served as the general building contractor. For many years it served as the favorite summer destination for his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

Bob was chief caregiver for Helen for two years before her death in 2015, helping her navigate through life with Alzheimer's disease.

Bob was preceded in death by Helen (2015); his sister, Shirley (1980); his father (1981); and his mother (1989). He is survived by his four children—Greg (and his wife, Susan) of Brookfield, Wisconsin; Kim (and her husband, Greg) Johnson of Coralville, Iowa; Lisa (and her husband, Brandon) Adomatis of Noblesville; and Lori Marsico of Charlotte, North Carolina—10 grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren.

John Joseph Poluski of Plano, Texas passed away on Tuesday, June 14, 2022 at the age of 74, peacefully at home after a courageous battle with cancer.

John was born on September 9, 1947 in St Louis, MO to John and Sophia Poluski, nee Krupa. He grew up in St. Louis where he graduated from St. Mary's High School in 1965. He attended college at Saint Louis University, receiving a degree in Mathematics in 1969. He had a 46-year career with the JC Penney Company, retiring in 2012 as Senior Project Manager. John held many roles with JC Penney's that took him to locations all around the US before settling in Plano, TX to work at their Headquarters.

While in Indiana, John met and fell in love with Connie Slaughter. They married in 1983. Following their marriage, they honeymooned at Walt Disney World, John thought it was silly and then loved it, returning many times on family vacations. They were blessed with two children, Christopher and Matthew.

In his free time, John was an avid collector of coins, model trains, and JC Penney memorabilia. He loved his sons and spent many years fully invested in supporting their interests. He was a Cub Scout and Boy Scout leader and later the Committee Chairman for their Boy Scout Troop. He was known as the one to beat in the cake decorating competitions at the annual Blue and Gold Banquet. He always volunteered as scorekeeper during the baseball season and was the loudest to yell 'dig, dig, dig' after anyone hit the ball, as if that was going to make them run faster. John enjoyed going out with Connie and the boys to the movies or to try new places to eat. Even when there was a restaurant that Connie wasn't interested in trying, John had a willing partner in Matthew to sneak off and try it anyways. John, Connie, and the boys went on many memorable family vacations and always enjoyed exploring new places and traveling together, especially to Walt Disney World.

Later in life, John fully embraced his role as Grandpa and loved traveling to Florida to spend time with his grandchildren. His grandsons remember him as the best teller of spooky stories and funny jokes. John would make them up on the spot, in cahoots with the boys to stall bedtime as long as possible. He lived his life for his family and will be greatly missed by them all.

John is survived by his wife, Connie Poluski of Plano, TX; sons, Christopher (Julie) Poluski, of Orlando, FL, Matthew Poluski, of Dallas, TX; grandchildren, Benjamin, William, and Sloane Poluski; sisters Myra Van Pelt and Mary Konroy, both of St. Louis, MO; In-laws, JoAnn Bladdick of St. Louis, MO and Joy (Troy) Franke of Louisville, KY; and many nieces, nephews, and other loving family members. He was preceded in death by his parents, John and Sophia Poluski, and brother Ray Bladdick

A funeral service will be held at 4:00 p.m., Friday, June 17, 2022 at Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow Funeral Home Chapel, 2525 Central Expressway North, Allen, Texas 75013. The service will also be live streamed at [TJMfuneral.com](https://celebrationoflife.tv/blog/john-joseph-poluski) on John's obituary page by clicking on the following link: <https://celebrationoflife.tv/blog/john-joseph-poluski>. After the service, the recorded live stream will be available for viewing at the same link location. Interment will follow at Ridgeview Memorial Park in Allen, Texas.

The family will receive friends during a visitation on Friday, June 17, 2022 from 3:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. at the funeral home prior to the funeral service.

Donald R. Weis, age 91 of Alma passed away Thursday, November 11, 2021, at Mid-Michigan Medical Center-Gratiot in Alma. He was born July 11, 1930, in Popowski, Minnesota the son of Harry and Lury (Rundell) Weis. After graduating from high school, Don proudly served his country in the United State Army, during the Korean War.

On June 14, 1958, he married Barbara Branch in Colorado, a blessed union of 63 years. Don worked for the JC Penney Company for 38 years, retiring in 1990, he was a member of the North Central RMG.

While with the company he worked his way from advertising and display manager to retiring as the Store Manager from the Alma JC Penney Department Store. He was a faithful and devoted member of the Alma First

Presbyterian Church, where for many years he sang in the choir. He was active with the Alma Rotary Club and served as a past President 4 different terms. He enjoyed the outdoors, especially playing golf, fishing, and working in his yard. He also enjoyed sharing his talents of art with his paintings and a weekly comic strip that ran in the Alma Shoppers Guide.

Don is survived by his wife, Barbara; three sons, Kurt (Rose), Kory (Amy), Kristopher "Kip" (Kris); seven grandchildren; three great-grandsons; and two brothers, William and Richard (Nancy). He was preceded in death by his daughter, Kristin E. Weis Collins; his parents; a brother, David and infant sister. Per Don's wishes, cremation has taken place with services to be held at a later date. Interment will be held in Pennington Memorial Gardens at the First Presbyterian Church. Those desiring may make memorial contributions in Don's memory to the First Presbyterian Church.

Donald Hadtrath, April 22, 1930 - February 8, 2022 (91 years old)

It is with great sadness that we announce the death of Donald Hadtrath of Mesa, Arizona, who passed away on February 8, 2022, at the age of 91, leaving to mourn family and friends. Leave a sympathy message to the family on the memorial page of Donald Hadtrath to pay them a last tribute.

Richard Kenneth Bogdala, 88, long time resident of Winthrop Harbor, IL passed away peacefully surrounded by his family on Wednesday, April 20, 2022. Richard was born on August 8, 1933 in Waukegan, IL the son of Frank and Emma (Peslak) Bogdala Sr.

Richard served in the Korean war as a U.S Marine Sgt. He attended Airmen Preparatory school at Naval Air Station in Jacksonville FL. Upon completion he transferred to El Toro Marine Airbase, Santa Ana, CA, where he was assigned to Marine Air Group 12 & 33. After serving Richard returned to Waukegan where he worked for the North Shore Line. He then worked for the Waukegan Park District Police, the Waukegan Police Department as a detective and juvenile officer. Richard also worked as a detective for the Navy Exchange at Great Lakes Naval Station and the Glenview Naval Air Station.

He worked as a Loss Prevention Manager for twenty-three years at the JCPenney Company District Office in Elk Grove Village, IL. In 1986, he provided security for Oprah Winfrey in Chicago, assisted the U.S. Secret Service in providing security for Princess Diana and Prince Charles while the JCPenney Company hosted the Best of Britton Clothing Line in Washington DC.

Richard was a member for 50 years at the Illinois Police Association, former associate member of the Lake County Chiefs of Police, and Winthrop Harbor American Legion Post 1943, V.F.W. Post 7448, and Marine Corps League Detachment 801.

Richard loved spending time with his wife, children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. He also loved spending time on the Waukegan History and Memories Facebook page where he shared countless memories of his knowledge of Waukegan history.

Richard is survived by his loving wife, Priscilla Jean (Johnson) Bogdala; children, Mike (Christine Bitto), Kenneth Bogdala, Joanie (Michael) Ryan; grandchildren, Matthew Bogdala, Elizabeth (Craig) Martin, Ashley (Jeff) Stevenson, Alexis Perez; great-grandchildren, Aiden Stevenson, Brooklyn Perez-Grace, Liam Perez, Liam Martin; sisters, Shirley Lopez, Sandra Drennen; sister-in-law, Beverly Bogdala; and many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents Frank and Emma; brothers, Roger Bogdala, Hank Bogdala, Frank Bogdala Jr.; sister Delores Eveline; sisters-in-law, Ellen Bogdala and Marilyn Bogdala; daughter-in-law Pamela Bogdala; brother-in-laws Ronnie Drennen, and Raymond Lopez.

Visitation will be on Monday, April 25, 2022 from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m., at Congdon Funeral Home, 3012 Sheridan Rd, Zion, IL 60099. Second visitation will be on Tuesday, April 26, 2022 at 10:00 followed by a Funeral Service at 11:00 a.m., at St. Mark's Ev. Lutheran Church, 3350 N Delany Rd, Waukegan, IL 60087. Interment will follow at Ascension Cemetery in Libertyville, IL

Donations can be made to Captain James a Lovell Federal Health Care Center in North Chicago, IL.

Howard J. Ryan, age 97, of Grand Rapids, MN passed away Tuesday, April 26, 2022, at his home surrounded by family.

Howard was born in 1924 in Otter Creek, IA to James and Ida (Martin) Ryan. After graduating from high school, he enlisted in the United States Army, serving in the European Theater during World War II with the 95th Infantry Division. After the war, Howard spent 38 ½ years with the JC Penney Company managing stores in Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Michigan.

Howard is preceded in death by his parents; first wife, Marian; daughter, Linda Seehafer; brother, Carl Ryan; and sister, Mary Billings.

He is survived by his wife of nearly 30 years, Nancy; her children, Greg (Michelle) Gimpl, Erica (Vance) Draheim, Brett (Carmen Freeman) Gimpl; sister, Theresa Clark; eight grandchildren; seven great grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Nancy would like to thank Eric, Amy, Emily, and Theo Trast for all of their support and the kindness they have shown us over the many years as neighbors. Thank you to Karlene Gale and Jim Funk for their continued support. A special thank you also to St. Croix Hospice for the help and care provided during this difficult time in Howard's life.

Visitation will be Tuesday, May 3, 2022, at 10:00 AM at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Grand Rapids, MN followed by the 11:00 AM Mass of Christian Burial. Fr. Blake Rozier will officiate. Military honors will complete the service.

Inurnment will be at Sacred Heart Cemetery, Maquoketa, IA on Saturday, May 7, 2022 at 10 AM. Howard's cousin, Father Bob McAleer will be leading the graveside service.

Isch, Marcia, sadly on April 18th, Marcia Isch, wife of Donald Isch, passed away after a courageous two year battle with cancer.

Marcia was President of the North Dallas Newcomers Association when JC Penney moved to Dallas in 1987. She was also involved in many other JCP women's groups.

Marcia and Don enjoyed living and developing so many great friendships over the years in IN, IL, MN, OH, TX, AZ and back to TX again.

Their favorite activities included spending time on the lakes of northern Minnesota, the Florida beaches and traveling around the world.

Marcia was survived by her husband, Donald, three sons, Mitchell (Lori) Isch, Morgan (Kathy) Isch, and Mark (Shanlee) Isch, and two granddaughters, Jennifer and Tracy Isch.

Murphy, Dorothy E. age 85, of Green Valley, AZ, passed away peacefully on March 19, 2021. Preceded in death by husband Michael W. Murphy; daughter, Christine Bruns; Son, Brendon Murphy. Survived by children, Patrick Murphy (Rick Wyland) and Michelle Murphy; 5 grandchildren; 4 great-grandchildren; brother, Jerry (Rose) Wierzbicki; sisters, Teresa Sendik, Kathy (Steve) Golembiewski. Mass of Christian Burial 11am Saturday April 17th at The Basilica of St. Mary, Hennepin Avenue at 17th Street, Minneapolis. Interment Lakewood Cemetery. Memorials preferred to The Basilica Landmark at The Basilica of St. Mary. Washburn-McReavy.com Edina Chapel 952-920-3996

Moriarty, Frank age 85 of Plymouth, MN died on March 15, 2022 from multiple myeloma. Frank was born in Chicago, IL, the proud son of Irish immigrant parents, John and Mary Ann Moriarty. He was a graduate of Weber High School and DePaul University. He worked in management for J.C. Penney stores for 36 years (starting in Berwyn, IL, he was transferred to: Ford City in Chicago, IL; Albert Lea, MN; Rochester, MN; Southdale in Edina, MN; Apache Plaza in St. Anthony, MN; Sterling, IL; and Logansport, IN). Frank was a longtime volunteer with many organizations including United Way, Headstart, MN Ostomy Support Group, PRISM, MN DFL, and Loaves and Fishes. He was also a member and long-term leader of the Thursday Current Events group at Plymouth Creek Center, and St. Philip the Deacon Church's Tuesday Men's Group. Frank loved to read. He was a bowler and golfer for years, and a Chicago White Sox fan to his dying day. Frank never knew a stranger and he loved to make all of us smile and laugh. He was predeceased by an infant daughter, Hope Elizabeth. He is survived by his loving wife of 60 years, Mary; his devoted children, daughters, Sharon (Tim Doran) Moriarty and Kathleen Moriarty; son, Dan (Martha) Moriarty; his six grandchildren whom he dearly loved: Brianna, Olivia and Kylie Doran, Macario Ramirez-Moriarty, Ailee and Keenan Moriarty; brothers, John (Sally) and Bob (Ona) Moriarty; sister, Mary (Bill) Kasinak; sisters-in-law, Louise Markley and Kathy (Max) Scruggs; brother-in-law, Larry (Faye Witt) Markley; many nieces and nephews. Mass of Christian Burial 11 AM Mon., March 28 at the Parish Community of St. Joseph Parish Center, 8701 36th Ave. N., New Hope. Inurnment St. Joseph Parish Cemetery. Visitation one hour prior to the Mass at the church. Memorials to: Sisters of Providence, Terre Haute, IN, Sharing and Caring Hands, Minneapolis, Friends of the Hennepin County Library or the ACLU. Gearty-Delmore 763-553-1411 gearty-delmore.com

Eva Marie Tax Eva (Mrs. Stanley) was born on February 28, 1926 and passed away on Friday, December 13, 2019. She endured the hardships of World War II first-hand, yet still attended business school which would lead to her eventual position as a Statistical Analyst for Rutgers University. The Mass of Christian Burial will be Celebrated at 11 am, Tuesday, December 17, 2019 in Mary Queen of Peace Catholic Church, Danville, Indiana, where friends and family will gather from 10 am until the time of the Mass. Tuesday December 17, 2019 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM Mary Queen of Peace Catholic Church (Danville, Indiana, Pittsboro) Mass of Christian Burial Tuesday December 17, 2019 11:00 AM Mary Queen of Peace Catholic Church (Danville, Indiana, Pittsboro). In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate Mass Intentions be made to Mary Queen of Peace, where Eva was a devoted parishioner for over 31 years.

St. Peters, Jack Michael (Jan 19, 2022). St. Peters was born May 23, 1942 in Greenville, Michigan. He was the third and youngest son of S.E. St. Peters and Marcella (Stevenson) St. Peters. Jack graduated from High School at Owosso, Michigan and graduated from Western Michigan University in 1965.

Jack followed in his father's footsteps in working at **JC Penney Co.** for 34 years and was able to retire at the age of 57. He worked at Flint, MI, Port Huron, MI, Indianapolis, IN, Des Moines, IA, Omaha, NE, Sioux City, IA, West Des Moines, IA, Fairmont, MN and retired as Cluster Store Manager in Spencer, IA.

Jack was drafted during the Viet Nam war and decided to join the United States Marine Corps in 1966. Jack served in Viet Nam as a Non-Commissioned Officer for 15 months. Jack was stationed just north of Da Nang at Red Beach, but did some duty in Chu Lai, Phu Bai, Khe Sanh, and Dong Ha.

Jack married Michelle Ouellette in 1972 and raised a daughter, Heather. They later divorced. Jack was very fond of golf and took many fishing trips to Canada with some of his best friends. Also, he took many snowmobile trips, motorcycle trips and participated in 17 trips riding his bicycle on RAGBRAI. Some of these bicycle trips included his brother and wife or his two nephews and their wives. He was very active in the American Legion having served at various capacities at Post, District and State levels. He also served with the American Legion Hawkeye Boys State of Iowa for many years. He served in several different counselor positions, and most recently had the honor of serving as the Director for Iowa's program. He also served on many different boards and was director or president of most.

Jack Michael St. Peters, age 79, of Spencer, Iowa passed away January 19, 2022 at University of Iowa Hospitals in Iowa City. He was preceded in death by his parents and his brothers, Jim and Bob.

Left to cherish his memory is his long time and best friend, Susan Endrulat, his daughter, granddaughter, great granddaughter, several nieces and nephews and many friends.

Pirtle, Ann Marcus (May 6, 2021) Ann, age 72, passed away on Wednesday, May 6, 2021 in San Antonio with her family by her side. She was born July 26, 1948 in Cottage Grove, Oregon to Minnie Lucille Sexton Marcus and Robert Clinton Marcus.

Ann was a lifelong athlete who enjoyed basketball, track, and bowling, and an avid tennis player who was a member of several tennis leagues in San Antonio and Corpus Christi. She attended Community Bible Church. Ann enjoyed spending time with her family and had a close-knit group of friends with whom she enjoyed playing tennis and traveling in both the United States and abroad. Ann also loved her dogs, Sandy, Big Beaux, Ella, and Lil Beaux.

Ann graduated from El Paso High School in 1965 and from Asheville Beauty Academy in 1967. She was a merchandising manager for **JC Penney** for 15 years.

Ann was preceded in death by her husband of 26 years, Walt Pirtle, her parents, her brothers Phillip James Marcus and Neil Howard Marcus, her first husband, Harvey Stuhl, and her four dogs. She is survived by her son, Brian Stuhl and wife Nancy of Cibolo, Texas; grandson, Connor Stuhl; sister, Susan Fowler of Hayesville, NC; niece, Ashley Mauney Dixon of Greensboro, NC; nephews, Marcus Mauney of Livermore, CA, and Keith Marcus and Kurt Marcus of Murphy, NC; as well as numerous extended family members and a lifetime of friends.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Family Violence Prevention Services: The Battered Women and Children's Shelter at 7911 Broadway St., San Antonio, TX 78209 and at <https://fvps.org>.

Carney, Richard "Dick" (Jan 27, 2022) Carney passed away peacefully Thursday, January 27, 2022, surrounded by family. He was 93 years old.

Dick led a very active and full life. He was born in Emmetsburg, IA on November 21, 1928, to Francis "Frank" Carney and Ethel Watters. He was the second of seven children – Jack (Betty) of North Richland Hills, TX, Keith (Charlotte) of Medford, OR, Dan (Elaine) of Omaha, NE, Mark (Jo Ann) of Farmington, NM, and Kathleen (Roger) of Emmetsburg, IA. The family lost a baby, Francis, at birth.

After growing up and graduating from Catholic High School in Emmetsburg, Dick went to work at age 18 at the local **JCPenney** Store. That job, which began as a stockboy, would turn into an incredible career lasting 43 years, taking him from Iowa to Minnesota to Nebraska to Illinois to New York City, then back again to Nebraska, before settling for the last 13 years in Sioux Falls. His true passion was running his own store, which made the time as Store Manager in Sioux Falls from 1977-1990 the most rewarding of his career. He prided himself on not only running one of the most profitable stores in the chain, but helping several associates move on to much larger roles in the Company.

Dick's retail career was put on hold in the mid-1950s when he was called into military service during the Korean War. Serving as an Army Infantryman beginning in August 1953, Dick was deployed to posts in Kansas, Colorado, and Hawaii, as well as a year tour in Korea. He was honorably discharged in June 1955.

It was after Korea and during one of his assignments with **JCPenney** in Winona, MN that he met the love of his life - Phyllis Ann Lubinski. She worked at a local women's ready-to-wear shop, and after being introduced by the shop's owner, it was love at first sight. Dick and Phyllis were married in February 1959, a union which lasted 62 years. They welcomed the birth of their only child, Tim, in March 1968.

Upon retirement in 1990, Dick and Phyllis fell in love with the desert southwest, spending winters in Mesa, AZ, along with many treasured friends from the Midwest. During retirement Dick was actively involved with the Small Business Administration (SBA), serving as a counselor to entrepreneurs looking to start their own business. He was also an avid golfer, especially during their winters in Arizona.

Dick is survived by his son Tim (Kevin), of Houston, TX, as well as his siblings Dan, Mark, and Kathleen. He was preceded in death by his parents, as well as brothers Jack, Keith, and Francis.

Visitation with the family will be held on Sunday, February 6th 2:00-4:00pm at Miller Funeral Home, 507 S. Main St in Sioux Falls. A funeral service is scheduled for 11:00am on Monday, February 7th at Holy Spirit Catholic Church in Sioux Falls, with burial to follow. **In lieu of flowers, please donate in Richard's name to the**

JCPenney H.C.S.C. Foundation, which is a qualified 501(c)(3) organization that assists retired JCPenney associates in need. www.hcscfoundation.com

Riehl, John “Jack” (Nov 29, 2021) John, age 85, passed surrounded by family and friends in his home in Albuquerque, NM.

His employment with **JCPenney** began as a summer job during college that led to a full career, spanning 42 years. At the age of 35, he was the youngest District Manager in the history of JCP. His career took him to several locations including New York, Atlanta, Chicago, and Milan, Italy. He wore many titles, including executive, but had never been a store manager so requested the opportunity to run the JCP in the Southcenter Mall in Seattle before retiring and it was granted. He was very fulfilled in his work and made many friends. Jack received many rewards and honors. He retired in 1996 at the age of 60 and spent many hours studying the Bible and published two Christian studies. Jack is survived by his wife of 63 years, Laura Riehl, three daughters and spouses: Kathy and Walter Lane, Kim and Kirk Thomas, Karen and Scott Conner, seven grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren (with one on the way).

Jamtgaard, Paula Irene (Nov 27, 2021) died peacefully at Diamond Willow Assisted Living with family by her side. She loved her family and friends fiercely. She also loved the Iowa Hawkeyes, every dog she ever met, playing darts, Diet Coke, a cold beer, and BBQ chips. Paula was small in stature but was a force of nature when passionate about something or when provoked. She will be remembered for her loving heart, her welcoming demeanor, and her open arms ready to give hugs to whoever needed one. Paula was always willing to listen and encouraged others to follow their dreams and their hearts. Alzheimer’s dimmed her light but never crushed her spirit.

Paula was born in Hawarden, IA in 1945 to Edmund and Marie Burton and graduated from Hawarden High School in 1963. She met her husband, Dennis Jamtgaard (**JCP Retired Store Manager**), in the baby nursery of the Hawarden hospital on the day they were born. He was born just 3 hours before her. Paula’s mother often told a story about the day they were born. Dennis’ father stopped in her room at the hospital and commented, “Wouldn’t it be something if these two got married someday?!”

Paula married the love of her life on Thanksgiving Day, November 25, 1965, in Hawarden. They lived in several different communities in Iowa and South Dakota throughout their married lives. Paula worked most of her life as a receptionist and billing specialist at various doctor offices. They retired in 2000 and split their time between Grand Rapids, MN and Sierra Vista, AZ.

Paula is survived by her husband of 56 years, Dennis Jamtgaard; her sons, Jay (Kim) Jamtgaard from Grand Rapids, MN and Ben (Meg) Jamtgaard from Littleton, CO; daughter, Kellie (Rob) Riley from Ada, MI; and her seven beautiful grandchildren who she loved watching grow up, Brynn Riley, Rhys Riley, Haley Jamtgaard, Lucas Jamtgaard, Jada Jamtgaard, Karlee Jamtgaard, and Kate Jamtgaard. She is also survived by her brother Tom (Lois) Burton from Mesa, AZ and many nieces and nephews.

Paula received wonderful care from both Diamond Willow and Essentia Hospice.

There will not be a funeral service held at this time. Paula’s family requests that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to either Essentia Hospice or Eldercircle of Grand Rapids in her memory. Her family appreciates all the messages of love and support that they have received.

Arrangements are with the Rowe Funeral Home and Cremation Services of Grand Rapids, MN. To sign the online guestbook or send condolences visit

Kliver, David W.(Aug 7, 2021) David Kliver, age 77, passed away on Saturday, Aug. 7th, 2021, with his family at his side following a courageous two-year battle with glioblastoma. He was born to William and Clara (Ludwigs) Kliver in LeMars, Iowa. He grew up in rural southern Minnesota helping with the family farm. David attended public high school in Sleepy Eye, MN, and graduated in 1963. He served in the Army Reserves from 1964-1970.

After attending Business College in Minneapolis, MN, David took a job with **JCPenney** as a shoe salesman. He spent 37 years with the company working his way up the corporate ladder, and he retired as a store manager in Corona, California.

Golfing was one of David's favorite activities as he spent many mornings on the golf course with close friends in California and Arizona. He loved to travel, especially going on annual fishing trips to Leech Lake in Minnesota. Nothing gave David greater joy than spending time with his children and grandchildren. They have fond memories of golfing and fishing with Grandpa. Be it baseball, football, soccer, or dance recitals, David watched as their number one fan. He had a close and special relationship with each of his sons-in-law, Jeff Klitzka and Fred Schmidt. David felt his life was truly blessed with his loving wife, children, grandchildren, and life-long friends.

He is survived by his wife, Karen "Buttercup" of almost 39 years; daughters, Michelle Klitzka (Jeff), Wendy Kluver, stepdaughter Lori Schmidt (Fred); Grandchildren, Brandon Modahl, Melissa Modahl, Amanda Kluver, David Klitzka, Paige Klitzka, and Ryan Schmidt; Great-grandchild, Aviana Modahl; and future great-grandchild, Everly Schmidt.

Survivors also include four siblings: Dennis (Merlie) Kluver, Kenneth (Phyllis) Kluver, Dianne (Anthon) Anderson, and Thomas (Dixie) Kluver.

He was the best role model a family could have. He will be dearly missed and will be forever in our hearts. David wanted his passing to be as gentle as possible for the family. At his request, no services will be held. If he touched your life along the way and you would like to honor his memory-enjoy your family, support those around you, and treat others with respect and kindness.

Carney, Phyllis Ann (Oct 14, 2021) Carney, a beloved wife, mother, sister, aunt, and friend, passed away peacefully on October 14, 2021 at age 93 in Houston, TX.

She was born in Winona, MN on July 5, 1928 to John and Jeanette Lubinski. Upon graduating high school, Phyllis began a career in retail at a local women's ready-to-wear shop where she met her husband, Richard (Dick) Carney, who worked at a neighboring department store. After following Richard's career with **JCPenney**, which moved the couple from Minnesota to Nebraska to Illinois to New York and then back to Nebraska again, they settled in Sioux Falls, SD in April of 1977. They welcomed the birth of their only child, Tim, in March of 1968.

Phyllis loved to bowl, read murder mysteries, and watch tv shows and movies of the same genre. Upon retirement she fell in love with the desert southwest, spending winters in Mesa, AZ to get away from the long South Dakota winters, along with Richard and many treasured friends from the Midwest.

During retirement her biggest hobby involved keeping a diary – she chronicled every day from late 1990 until just a few years ago.

Phyllis is survived by her husband, Richard, as well as their son Tim (Kevin), of Houston, TX. She was preceded in death by her parents, as well as brothers Frank (Hazel) and Tony (Leona).

Visitation with family present will be from 5-7 Thursday October 21st, 2021 at Miller Funeral Home, 507 S Main Avenue. The funeral service is scheduled for 11:00am on Friday October 22, 2021 at Holy Spirit Catholic Church, 3601 E Dudley Ln, with burial to follow at St Michael Catholic Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, please donate to The Furniture Mission of South Dakota on her behalf.

Asby, Donald Keith (Sept 26, 2021) Asby, of Wayzata, MN passed away peacefully on September 26, 2021. He is survived by his three children, Tom (Margaret), Michelle (Jim), Teri (Larry), seven grandchildren, six great grand children, two nieces, two nephews and his special friend Judy Nelson and her family.

Don was born February 12, 1931 in Wapello, Iowa to Oran and Della (nee Hutchcroft) Asby. A proud Hawkeye, Don graduated from the University of Iowa in 1952. He was employed in various management positions by **JCPenney** for 37 years and was recognized with the Chairman's Award for Excellence 5 times throughout his career.

Family and friends will remember Don as a loving father, proud grandfather and great grandfather, as well as a gracious soul who had a kind word for everyone. He will be missed at Folkestone for his warm smile and skills as a competitive bridge partner.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, private services will be held at St. Luke Presbyterian Church. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made indicating a gift in memory of Donald Asby to the University of Iowa Center for Advancement, P.O. Box 4550, Iowa City, Iowa 52244-4550 or to St. Luke Presbyterian Church, 3121 Groveland School Road, Wayzata, MN 55391.

Burmeister, Roger W. (Oct 3, 2021), 93, of La Crosse, passed away on Sunday, October 3, 2021 at the Gundersen Health System. He was born May 9, 1928 to Arthur and Olga (Nelson) Burmeister. He married his high school sweetheart, Charlotte Burgdorf, on June 17, 1950 in Winona, MN, and they were married for 53 years. She preceded him in death on July 8, 2003.

Roger worked his entire career for **JCPenney**, over 41 years. He started working in Winona and later was transferred to La Crosse in the downtown store. He also helped to open the JCPenney Valley View Mall store and retired as Merchandise Manager. In Roger's younger years he liked fishing and hunting. Later in life, he enjoyed playing golf and bowling. He also took tremendous pride in tending to his beautiful rose and vegetable gardens.

Roger will be lovingly remembered and missed by his family. He is survived by his son Steven (Georgia) Burmeister, daughter Lynne (David) Griesel, and son-in-law Jon (Beth) Krzykowski; grandchildren: Chris (Val) Burmeister, Tessa and Leah Griesel, and Joanie (Chris) Kiel; great-grandchildren: Nolan and Lucas Burmeister, and Kendall Kiel.

In addition to his wife, he was preceded in death by his parents, a daughter Karen Krzykowski, and two brothers: Arthur and Glen Burmeister.

Funeral services will be held on Monday, October 11, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, 2135 Weston Street, La Crosse. Pastor Mark Bartusch will officiate and burial will be in the Oak Grove Cemetery. Friends may visit with the family on Monday at the church from 10:00 a.m. until time of services. Masks are required for all attending. In lieu of flowers memorials may be given to Our Redeemer Lutheran Church. The Dickinson Family Funeral Home & Crematory is assisting the family with services.

Online condolences may be shared at www.dickinsonfuneralhomes.com.

Uitermark, John t (Sep 7, 2021) John, 87, passed away on Tuesday, September 7, 2021. A public visitation will be held on Sunday, September 12, 2021, from 2-4:00p.m. at Grandon Funeral and Cremation Care, 414 Lincoln Way, Ames, Iowa 50010. With a graveside service held on Monday September 13, at 1:00 p.m. at Hubbard Cemetery, 418 S Wisconsin St, Hubbard, IA 50122.

John was born on August 28, 1934, to Floyd and Hazel (Berve) Uitermarkt in Hubbard, Iowa. John was a graduate of Hubbard High School with the class of 1952. After graduation John enlisted in the United States Marines Corps and served his country honorably from 1953 until 1956. John soon enrolled at Ellsworth Jr. College in Iowa Falls and graduated in 1958. Later that year he was married to the love of his life Marjorie Zenger. The two would welcome a daughter Laura in 1960, only to be blessed with their second child, Phillip in late December of 1961. Soon after John started his work at **JCPenney** as a trainee. It was not long after John had worked his way to the **District Personnel Manger of JCPenney Co. in Minneapolis, MN** in 1970. John worked the rest of his career at JCPenney retiring on March 5, 1993. John will be remembered by countless friends and family for always leaving such a lasting impression.

Left to cherish John's memory is his wife, Marge, son Phil, grandchildren: Michael, Jessica, Johnathan, Christopher, and Brandon; great-grandchildren: Tyler, William, Grayson, Bryce, Mia, and Morgan. Also, John is survived by his siblings, Tom (Margaret) Uitermarkt, and sister Mary Ann Mulford.

John is preceded in death by his parents Floyd and Hazel, and daughter Laura.

Online condolences may be made at www.grandonfuneralandcremationdcare.com

Miles, James Joseph (Aug 15, 2021) Miles, 88, of Wichita Falls, passed away on Sunday, August 15, 2021 peacefully with his family at home. Memorial services will be at 10:30 am on August 23, 2021 at Our Lady

Queen of Peace Church with Father Alex Ambrose officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Lunn's Colonial Funeral Home.

A son of the late Pauline (Alears) and Joseph C. Miles, James was born on March 12, 1933, in Manitowoc, Wisconsin. James known as Jim or Jimmy by his friends graduated from Lincoln High School in 1951 in Manitowoc, WI. He went on to graduate from Marquette University in 1955. He received a ROTC Commission 2nd lieutenant in 1955 and served as a basic training officer at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri for two years.

In 1953 Jim met Adrea the love of his life in Two Rivers, WI. She was his caretaker and the most wonderful mother. He would always speak of her beauty and that no one else could compare. They enjoyed trips to the casino and spending time with their children and grandchildren.

In 1957 Jim's **JCPenney** career began in Milwaukee, WI. He traveled as store manager to Gary, Indiana; Melrose Park, Illinois; Harvey, Illinois; Tulsa, Oklahoma; Houston, Texas; and finally landed in Wichita Falls, TX. Jim was proud to have been a rotary member since 1978 and was a Paul Harris Fellow in 1985. He served as a board member of The Salvation Army plus numerous other civic organizations. He was also a YMCA member since 1977.

Jim and Adrea spent their retirement living between their home in Wichita Falls, TX and their cabin in Door County, WI. They enjoyed spending time with all their friends and family enjoying the beautiful weather of Door County especially spending time with the late Sarah and Marvin Daubner and family.

Along with his parents, James was also preceded in death by his brother Leroy Miles, his son Jimmy Miles, and his daughter-in-law Kelly Miles.

He is survived by his wife of 68 years, Adrea Miles; his son Joel Miles; his daughter Renae Miles Harper and husband Mike Harper; his daughter Catherine Miles; and his son Jon Miles; daughter-in-law, Charlotte; and their 11 grandchildren, Ken, Gregory, Drew, Caroline, Mary, Joseph, Justin, Taylor, Tanner, Shannon and Brett. He was blessed to have met his many great grandchildren.

A special thanks to Hospice of Wichita Falls for the care and comfort during Jim's last months. They brought such joy to our home.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be sent to Hospice of Wichita Falls or the Salvation Army.

Byrne III, John William (July 20, 2021) (Jack) died at the age of 95 on July 20, 2021, at home in Naples, FL. He was born September 21, 1925, in Brooksville, KY, the son of Varina and John W. Byrne Jr., both deceased. He was preceded in death by a sister, Olga Byrne Fryer.

Jack was a graduate of Bellevue, KY High School and Miami University, Oxford, OH, where he was a member of Sigma Chi Fraternity, Alpha Chapter. He was a veteran of WWII, serving as a navigator/bombardier on a B-29.

Jack worked for **JC Penney** his entire 37-year business career, retiring at Keowee Key in Salem, SC in 1985. He joined Saint Mark United Methodist Church in Seneca, SC, enjoyed golfing, gardening, singing in the choir and served on the Advisory Board of the Salvation Army of Oconee County, SC.

Mr. Byrne is survived by his wife of 71 years, Shirley Stearns Byrne of Naples, FL and their three children: Captain John W. Byrne IV, USN Ret. and his wife, Carmela, of Downingtown, PA, Lisa Byrne Brown of Springfield, IL and David S. Byrne of Naples, FL; as well as 6 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

Placement of ashes in the Saint Mark columbarium will take place at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Jack's name may be made to Saint Mark United Methodist Church, 616 Quincy Rd., Seneca, SC 29678 or the Salvation Army of Oconee County, SC, 100 Debra Street, Sececa, SC 29678.

Shipley, Brenda J. (July 11, 2021) It is with deep sorrow that we announce the death of Brenda J. Shipley of Lafayette, Indiana, who passed away on July 11, 2021, at the age of 80, leaving to mourn family and friends. You can send your sympathy in the guestbook provided and share it with the family. You may also light a candle in honor of Brenda J. Shipley.

She was predeceased by : her parents, John Richardson and Evelyn Kennedy. She is survived by : her husband Ron Shipley; her daughters, Kimberly Chapman of Austin, TX and Sherri Furgason (Eric); her grandchildren, Amber Mattes, Brandon Mattes (Jessica), Michelle Cowen (Scott), Keegan Furgason, Ashley Houser (Christopher), Zach Chapman, Alex Chapman and Leah Chapman; her sister Jeanette Neal; and also, Roy and Ethel Murphy.

Visitation was held on Thursday, July 15th 2021 from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM at the Soller-Baker Funeral Homes & Crematory, Lafayette Chapel (400 Twyckenham Blvd, Lafayette, IN 47909). A funeral service was held on Thursday, July 15th 2021 at 12:00 PM at the same location.

Memorial contributions may be made to Natalie's Second Chance No Kill Animal Shelter in Brenda's memory.

Miner, Delbert D. (June 14, 2021) Delbert, loving husband, father of six, grandfather of 15 and great grandfather of four passed away at Munson Medical Center in Traverse City, Michigan on June 14, 2021, just shy of his 90th birthday.

Del was born on a farm near Allegan, MI to Darl and Goldie (Commans) Miner on July 10, 1931. Early lessons of hard work and perseverance stayed with him throughout his life. Standing an imposing six foot, five inches, Del was known for getting things done for others without fuss or need of recognition, and loving his family in a quiet, fierce way. His children laugh that his stubbornness was legendary.

He graduated from Hopkins High School in 1949. He joined the United States Air Force and spent four years in the service. He began his career with **JC Penney** in Allegan, MI and spent 42 years with them, moving 9 times before his retirement in 1991.

On Oct. 27, 1956 he married Bonnie (Schuelke) Miner in Manistee, MI. Together they raised their six children.

Del was preceded in death by his parents; his brothers Ken (Bev) Miner, Gilbert (Betty) Miner (his twin), Russell (Pat) Miner and Jerry (Patti) Miner; his sister-in-law Bev (Ken) Miner; and his brother-in-law Ron (Barbara) McCarthy.

He is survived by his wife Bonnie; sister Mary (Harve) Norris; sisters-in-law Betty (Gilbert) Miner, Pat (Russell) Miner, Patti (Jerry) Miner, Barbara (Ron) McCarthy and Elsie (Ken) Majchrzak; brothers-in-law Harve (Mary) Norris and Ken (Elsie) Majchrzak.

He is also survived by his sons James (Peg) Miner, David (Jill) Miner, Mark (Karen) Miner, twins John (Mary) Miner and Susan (Dan) Freund, and Kathi Green; 15 grandchildren; 4 great grandchildren; and many other relatives and friends.

Per Del's wishes there will be no public service. A family memorial will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, those wishing to make a memorial donation may do so to a charity of their choice.

To plant trees in memory, please visit our [Sympathy Store](#).

Nicoski, Raymond (June 1, 2021) Nicoski, 89 year old resident of Little Falls, MN died Tuesday, June 1 at St. Otto's Care Center in Little Falls. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Friday, June 4 at 11:00 A.M. at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Little Falls. A visitation will be held from 9:00 A.M. until the hour of the service on Friday. Knights of Columbus Office of the Dead will be held at 10:15 A.M. at the church. The burial will be held in the parish cemetery. The Little Falls American Legion will conduct the Military Honors.

Raymond Victor Nicoski was born on July 19, 1931 in Gilman, Wisconsin to the late Victor and Mary (Michalak) Nicoski. He was born to 1st generation immigrant parents at a working farm in northern Wisconsin, where he spent his youth. He grew up in the Gilman area. He attended and graduated from Gilman Public School in 1949. Raymond attended Marquette University from 1956 until 1958. He served his Country in the United States Army from 1953 - 1955, after which he was in the reserves until his honorable discharge on October 31, 1961. Raymond was united in marriage to the love of his life, Patricia Gill on June 28, 1958 in Milwaukee, WI. Ray's career with JC Penney spanned 3 decades, during which he worked and raised a family in Kankakee IL, Gary IN, Kewaunee IL, Grinnell IA, Menominee Falls WI, Watertown WI and finally settling in Little Falls MN. Ray also worked at the Buckman Building for quite a few years as the maintenance man. Raymond was

active in his community serving with the Rotary Club, Board of Directors with St. Francis Credit Union, Knights of Columbus, American Legion Post #46 and volunteered at St. Gabriel's Hospital for 18 years. He loved being around people and serving them. Ray and Patricia were members of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Little Falls

for 30 plus years, serving as Eucharistic Ministers and helping with fundraisers. Ray enjoyed gardening, baking, canning, working in his woods, bird watching, making stained glass lamps and windows.

Left to cherish his memory are his wife, Patricia of Little Falls; children, Dennis (Cheryl) Nicoski of Grand Rapids, MI, Lisa (Rick) Caddell of Talbott, TN, Kathy (Jody) Waldvogel of Little Falls; grandchildren, Alex Nicoski, Ben Nicoski, Nicole (Steven) Sawyer, Kristen (Mike) Strecker, Michael Waldvogel, Mitch Beatty, Morgan Winstead, Logan Caddell; siblings, Edmund Nicoski of IL, Lorraine (Ray) Murray of IL and Theresa Littell of AR.

He was preceded in death by his parents; siblings, Emily and Leonard.

Arrangements are with the Emblom-Brenny Funeral Service Little Falls, MN. 1-320-632-4393.

Hansen, Mrs Deloy (No passing date or obit available) Last known address was Dothan, AL.)

Fields, David W. (Jan 1, 2021) Fields, 66, passed away at Avera Hospital on January 1, 2021 of COVID-19. David was born November 10th, 1954 in Kansas City, Kansas. He graduated from Washington High School and The University of Kansas where he was a proud member of the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity. David married his high school sweetheart, Carol Yarnevich on September 25, 1976. Immediately following college, Dave started his successful career in management with the **J. C. Penney Corporation**. His career with **Penney's** included positions at the store level as well as on the District and Regional Staffs in: Topeka, Ks; Kansas City; Indianapolis; Chicago; Somerset, KY; Leominster, MA and Sioux Falls, SD. Dave retired 8 years ago after serving almost 38 years with the company.

Dave enjoyed traveling, hunting, fishing and gardening but by far he got the most joy in life spending time with his much loved children and grandchildren. Survivors include his wife, Carol and son Christopher, both of Sioux Falls, SD; daughter Katie (Brad) Wilkinson, Olathe, KS; grandchildren Caydence and Connor Fields of Sioux Falls, SD and Harper and Sophie Wilkinson of Olathe, KS. David's surviving siblings include: Tom Fields, Janie (Chris) Gaunce, Susie Phalen, and Kate (Pat Murphy) Fields all of Kansas City as well as brother – in – law George (Margaret) Yarnevich of Salina KS, and sister-in-law Anne Yarnevich (Bud Mackey) of Fairway KS, and numerous nieces and nephews, grand nieces and grand nephews and cousins.

David was preceded in death by his parents, Richard (Pete) and Lois Fields. Memorial gifts can be made to: The Humane Society of Greater Kansas City, 5445 Parallel Parkway, Kansas City, KS 66104 and Children's Mercy Hospital, 2401 Gilham Road, Kansas City, MO 64108.

Due to COVID-19, memorial services will be announced at a later date.

Pierret, Louise (Jun 5, 2021) Pierret, age 81, of Yankton, South Dakota, died on Saturday, June 5, 2021 at her home.

A Memorial Mass is 10:00 AM, on Monday, June 14, 2021 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Yankton with Reverend Larry Regynski officiating. Burial will be at Sacred Heart Cemetery in Yankton. The family will receive friends from 5:00 to 8:00 PM, on Sunday, June 13, 2021 at Wintz & Ray Funeral Home in Yankton with a rosary at 6:45 PM followed by a vigil service at 7:00 PM. Pallbearers are all her grandchildren.

Louise was born March 23, 1940 in Pipestone, Minnesota to Florent and Germaine (Wieme) DeVriend. She grew up in Pipestone and graduated from Pipestone High School. On February 1, 1960, Louise married **Jerome Pierret** at St. Leo's Catholic Church in Pipestone. After their marriage, they lived in Mitchell, SD where Louise was a credit manager for Sears-Roebuck. In 1968, they moved to Rugby, ND and she became active with the Catholic Daughters and Mrs. Jaycees. They lived in Rugby for six years and then moved to Yankton in 1974.

After all the children were in school, Louise started working at the Yankton Medical Clinic and then Avera Sacred Heart Hospital in the business office. She was the Golden Care Plus Manager and was later promoted to the Credit Manager, retiring in 1998. She was a faithful member of Sacred Heart Church where she also served as an EME. Louise was very involved with Marriage Encounter and worked with many engaged couples helping them prepare for marriage.

Louise was also active in the Women's Club in Yankton. Jerry and Louise loved traveling in their RV, visiting family and enjoying the beauty of our country from Florida to Washington. She was a very dedicated and loyal

friend and loved the company of her dog, CeeCee. Louise enjoyed playing cards and dominos and was a front row supporter of all her grandchildren's activities.

Louise is survived by her husband of 61 years, Jerome Pierret of Yankton; five children: Daniel (Jodi) Pierret of Wichita, KS, Sue (Randy) Fields of Gayville, SD, Nancy (Karl) Schenk of Mission Hill, SD, David (Becky) Pierret of Winona, MN, and Christopher (Vicki) Pierret of Rochester, MN; 12 grandchildren: Kory (Olivia) Pierret, Tanner Pierret, Abby (Casey) Kustak, Ben Sonichsen, Amanda Fields, Alex Fields, Meghan (Ian) Grassel, Karl Schenk Jr, Kyra Schenk, Erika Schenk, Lucas Pierret and Simon Pierret; three great grandchildren: Beckett and Penelope Kustak, and Theodore Grassel; and many nieces and nephews.

Louise was preceded in death by her parents; three sisters: Georgie Novak, Mary Ann Hauptert, and Adeline Ferguson; and a niece, Terry Carlson.

The family would prefer memorials to Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 509 Capital St, Yankton, SD 57078 or to the Lewy Body Dementia Association at www.lbda.org.

Crumley, John Norman (May 5, 2021) Carmel, IN - Early on the morning of May 5th, John Norman Crumley, 90, left us to continue his journey in God's hands.

John, with Polly, his wife of 67 years, built a loving family he cherished, formed friendships that spanned the decades, and helped the many communities in which he lived. The world is a better place because John was in it.

He grew up hunting and camping in the hills of eastern Tennessee and was an avid outdoorsman and athlete. In college, he both graced the cover of Sports Illustrated as a quarterback and was recruited and played minor league baseball for the Dodgers.

After marrying Polly, he taught high school math and coached football and baseball. John then began with **JCPenney** by selling shoes and retired as a district manager in Carmel, Indiana.

During this time, John had many diverse interests and touched many lives in the communities in which he lived. He was an active member in the Methodist Church, taught chess to elementary students, recorded auto books for special needs children, received a police commendation for stopping an assault and served on the board of the Indianapolis 500 Festival.

Prior to the invention of spreadsheets, John wrote software to make sales projections. He and Polly played golf and tennis with passion all while working to equip their children with the values and skills to meet the world.

After retiring, John's activities continued unabated and expanded to include fishing trips, working on the family farm, horseback riding, spending time with his grandchildren and reading under his favorite Oak tree. John read 200 books in 2020!

John is survived by his wife Polly, children Patricia Crumley DeRamus (Gene), Beth Crumley Lough (Jeff), John "Chip" Crumley (Julie), his grandchildren Megan Lough Bolgren (Jordan), Alex Lough (Jessica), Harper Crumley, and three great grandchildren Skyler, Grayson and Everett.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the American Heart Association, Heart.org, or the Coal Creek Chapter of Pheasants Forever, 9097 E 400 N, Darlington, IN 47940. A Celebration of Life will be held in mid-June.

Platt, Robert E. (Apr 19, 2021) Bob was born in Lafayette, Indiana to Robert and Iva (Miller) Platt. He graduated from Jefferson High School in 1965, that same year he married his high school sweetheart Jane. Shortly after, he joined the **J.C. Penney Company**, which took them to many new locations, where they met lifelong friends. Robert and Jane finally landed in Oshkosh, Wisconsin where he lived and worked until his retirement in 2007.

He will be dearly missed by his wife Jane, daughters Beth (Scott) and Cathy (Pat). grandchildren: Jennifer (Jasin), Dana (Garett), Andy, Joey, Michael, Abby (Rob), Keanan and Cooper; great grandchildren: Riley, Willa, Veyda, Olivia; and brothers Jim and Andy.

Bob also leaves behind some amazing golfing and motorcycle buddies who meant the world to him.

Bob's life will be celebrated privately by his family and friends at a future date, and fond memories will be shared by many in the coming days.

Vadnais, Richard John (Feb 16, 2021) Vadnais of Chanhassen, MN, died peacefully on Tuesday, February 16, 2021 at Fairview Southdale Hospital in Edina, MN. He was 78 years old.

Richard was born on November 28, 1942 in Winona, MN to Ronald and Mildred Vadnais. The older of two sons, he was known as Dick to friends and family alike. He graduated from St. John's Academy in Jamestown, ND in 1960, and went on to earn a Bachelor of Science degree from Saint Mary's College in Winona MN, graduating in 1964. Dick served in the United States Army Reserves from 1965 – 1971, and worked as a regional manager for **JCPenney** for more than 30 years.

On September 12, 1970 he married the love of his life, Sandra Hanson, in Minneapolis, MN. Dick and Sandy settled in Chanhassen, Minnesota and raised two daughters. They were constant companions and enjoyed spending time together with family and friends while camping in Nisswa, MN, and at the family lake home on Gull Lake in Brainerd, MN. Dick had a booming voice and a big heart. He loved boating, gardening, and swapping stories over good food and drink. More than anything else, he loved his children and grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Survivors include his loving wife of fifty years, Sandy; daughters, Valerie Vadnais Wall and her husband, Charles Wall of Minnetrista, Christina McGlothlin and her husband, Matt of Baldwin, Wisconsin; 4 grandchildren, Maxwell McGlothlin and Richard, Victoria and Alexandra Wall; brother, Gary (Linda) Vadnais of Cape Coral, FL; brother-in-law Kevin Hanson and sister-in-law Paula Hanson; nephews and niece, Matt (Heather) Hanson, Doug Hanson, Kathleen Vadnais and Michael Vadnais (Stephanie Kamba Vadnais); other relatives and friends.

Memorial Service will be held on Friday, March 19, 2021 at 4pm at Bertas Funeral Home of Chaska. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service. The inurnment will take place at a later date.

Dennis, James J. (Nov 20, 2020) "Mr D", 89 of Taylorville, passed away at 6:50am on Friday, Nov 20, 2020 at Taylorville Memorial Hospital in Taylorville. He was born on Nov 6, 1931 in Bloomington, the son of Harry and Mary (Wall) Dennis. James graduated from Trinity High School in 1950. He served in the Army National Guard and was on active duty during the Korean Conflict.

On April 24, 1954 married his High School Sweet Heart Joan Walsh at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Bloomington IL and she preceded him in death on Nov 15th 1988.

He graduated from Illinois State Normal University in 1956 with a bachelor's degree in Business Education. Jim worked for the **JCPenney Co** for 34 years and as Manager of the Taylorville Store for 25 years. He was a member of St Mary's Catholic Church, serving on the Finance Committee and assisting with the Annual Festival for many years. He was a member of the Kiwanis Club, Knights of Columbus and Retired JCPenney Employee's Club.

Proud of his Irish Heritage, on St Patrick's Day, he dyed his hair green and served green donuts to customers, staff and friends and convinced the City Council to paint a green stripe around the Taylorville Square.

After retiring he loved to travel the US, Canada, Ireland, Italy and Greece. He was an active member of the Christmas Home Tour, and served on the Oak Hill Cemetery Committee for many years. He also worked at McClure Funeral Home.

He impacted and influenced the lives of all that he knew. He will be forever remembered for his wit, humor, stories, and love of life.

He is survived by his children:

Daughters, Mary (Kevin) Simcox of West Des Moines IA, Erin Dennis (Mike Zagotta) of Taylorville, Theresa Dennis of Peoria IL.

Sons, Steven (Shelly) Dennis of Taylorville, Mike Dennis of Swanton MD, Thom (Jeffrey Hadloc) Dennis of Galena IL, Dan (Cindy) Dennis, of Taylorville, David Dennis of Bloomington IL, Bob (Barbi) Dennis of Bloomington IL.

Grandchildren, Kaitlyn Simcox, Sarah Zagotta, Ann Zagotta, Danielle Dennis, Meghan Dennis, Patrick Dennis, Sean Dennis. *Siblings*, William Dennis, Wilmington IL, Paulita Killian, Lexington IL, Tim Dennis, Lake Forest IL., and many nieces and nephews.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents, Wife Joan, Brothers, John Dennis, Tom (Cathy) Dennis, Sisters, Mary Helen Goetsch, Christine Beebe.

A private family funeral mass was held at 1pm on Wed, Nov 25th, 2020 at St. Mary's Catholic Church. Following the mass Jim will be cremated and inurnment will be held in Oak Hill Cemetery in Taylorville, IL at a later date. McClure Funeral Home and Cremation Services in Taylorville is assisting the family with arrangements.

A Celebration of Life will be held at a date to be determined.

In Lieu of Flowers, donations could be made to St Mary's Catholic School in Taylorville, the Taylorville Kiwanis Club "Coats for Kids"

Jones, Michael (Dec 27, 2020) Jones, 76 of McKinney, Texas passed away after battling MDS, a bone marrow disorder, for several months. Son of Albert & Julia Jones, Mike was raised in Manson, Iowa where he was a High School football star. He attended Buena Vista College and served in the Army Reserve for two years.

Mike entered the world of retail and had a successful 33-year career with **JC Penney**. While with JC Penny, he lived in many locations including Chicago, New York City, Dallas and Massachusetts. After taking an early "retirement" Mike moved back to Texas and settled in McKinney to follow his passion for real estate and started his 20-year career with Ebby Halliday. Mike was an active member of St. Peters Episcopal church and loved to work on remodeling his historic home. Meeting people and making them feel special was his true gift.

Mike is survived by his wife Molly of 25 years and son Davis Jones of McKinney, Texas, son Dustin & wife Melissa Jones and adored granddaughters Aubrey (12) and Lorelei (8), all of Houston, TX; his sister Judy and husband Dean Ellis of Rockwell City, Iowa, brother Tom and wife Michelle Jones of Brunsville, Iowa and many beloved nieces, nephews and extended family. He is preceded in death by his sister Becky Pfaffly (husband Jim) of Guttenburg, Iowa.

The family extends heartfelt appreciation to the teams at Texas Oncology Medical City Dallas and Baylor Scott White McKinney.

A funeral service was live streamed on 1/1/21 at 1:00 pm CST, and can be accessed by clicking [here](#), or by visiting St. Peter's McKinney YouTube channel.

Those who wish to remember Mike in a special way, contributions may be made to the MDS Foundation ([mds-foundation.org](https://www.mds-foundation.org)), or Carter Blood Care of Dallas. Please consider donating blood. <https://www.carterbloodcare.org/you-can-help/financial-donation/>

Henriksen, Sandra K. (Dec 23, 2020) Henriksen, 77, of Kewanee, died at 6:56 p.m., Wednesday, December 23, 2020 at her home. Cremation will be accorded and a memorial service will be held at later date. Rux Funeral Home in Kewanee is in charge of arrangements.

She was born August 25, 1943 in Kewanee, the daughter of Glenn and Marie (Brunner) Stone. She married Harry E. Henriksen on August 28, 1965 at Boyds Grove Methodist Church in rural Bradford and he preceded her in death on May 24, 2018.

Survivors include her two sons, Jeff (Teri) Henriksen of Winona, MN and Rich (Karen) Henriksen of Saint Croix Falls, WI, a brother, Ron (Eileen) Stone of Henry, IL, a sister, Donna Halfwassen of Sheffield, IA, six grandchildren and four great grandchildren with one on the way. She was also preceded in death by her parents.

Sandra graduated from Bradford High School. She had worked as a nurse's aide at Mercer County Hospital in Aledo and as an office receptionist at Anderson Chiropractic Clinic in Reedsburg, WI and then later at Johnson Chiropractic Clinic in Kewanee.

She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Kewanee and enjoyed playing golf and gardening. Most importantly she was a loving wife and mother. This obituary may be viewed and private condolences left at www.ruxfuneralhome.com.

Bethards, Robert E. (Bob) (Oct 28, 2020) Bethards, 90, passed away with family by his side in Mt Carmel, Il.. He was born April 4, 1930 in Fond du Lac, WI to Robert and Sara Bethards.

He grew up in Janesville, WI and graduated from Milton College in 1953. That same year he married Norma Lorraine Deets and moved to Milwaukee, WI where he began his 37 year career with the **JC Penney** Company. He was later transferred to Chicago, then Champaign, IL and finally to Mt. Carmel in 1965.

Bob was a 32nd Degree Mason, a member of Ainad Temple of Shriners, BPOE 715 Elks, and was a 50 year member of the Rotary Club. He loved the City of Mt. Carmel and devoted much of his retirement to serving it as a member of the Wabash General Hospital Board, the Wabash Valley College Foundation Board, and the Mt. Carmel Police and Fire Commission. He particularly enjoyed the time spent with family and friends at their Mesa Lake house from 1973-1981. He was very proud of his three children and five grandchildren.

Bob is survived by Norma, his wife of 67 years, Ann (Randy) Burgess, Robert E. Jr. (Pam) and Bill Bethards. Grandchildren include Amy and Emily Zanetis, Elliot Sides (Lindy) Evan Bethards and Jesse Bethards. Great grandchildren include Nicholas and Addy Sides.

According to Bob's wishes, he will be cremated, and a Celebration of Life will be held at a later date. Memorials can be made to Shriners Hospitals for Children or Wabash General Hospital.

Briest, Robert "Bob" (Sept, 2020) 1936-2020 -- 84 years of Life well Lived.

Bob was born in Minnesota where he met his lovely wife of 65 years, Darlene, and they began an adventure of a lifetime together. Bob spent 40 years with the **JC Penney Company** managing stores and districts all over the Midwest. Bob and Darlene moved from town to town as they grew their family and their love story. They eventually settled into The Villages in 1999 and have wholly embraced their new home. Bob and Darlene were rarely spotted separately as they enjoyed their lives here as constant companions and the best of friends.

Bob enjoyed antiquing with Darlene and spent years traveling to antique shows and refinishing primitive pieces together. Upon arriving in The Villages, Bob quickly joined and spent many years with The Villages Community Improvement Council. He was an active and integral member of the Church Council at Hope Lutheran Church and has been part of their tremendous growth and success. His hobbies centered on all things Disney and together, he and Darlene spent many wonderful days exploring the parks, finding rare collectibles, and enjoying Disney Cruises. He also was an early member of the Mickey Fanatics Club here in The Villages. Bob and Darlene have always been avid card players and have gratitude for the many wonderful people they have met playing Bridge and Euchre. Their golf leagues and happy hours were a favorite activity each week.

Anyone who knew Bob was inspired by his optimism in life and his infectious chuckle. Bob was a master at inviting people to join in the fun and always put everyone at ease with his magnetic positivity and charisma. A man that put other's needs ahead of his own, he was abundantly generous to his family, friends, and neighbors. Bob never wanted to have the focus on himself which is why when his family started to craft this notice, they said "Grandpa would not like it if we were all so sad!" Well, too bad, Bob, we just love you too much and have to tell the world about your giant, generous heart.

In his last years Bob remained ever upbeat and ready for a new adventure even though he had become ill. He remained graceful and strong as he assured everyone around him that he was "Just fine!" He passed away gently just as he lived his life surrounded by family and faith.

His wife Darlene, his daughters and their partners, and all his grandchildren will miss his ever-present love and laughter. He taught us all how to be kind people and we will honor his life with our contribution to others.

The family will hold a private "Remembrance of Life" and any donations can be directed to Hope Lutheran Church in The Villages.

Fadness, Marjorie Ellen (nee Adams) (Sept 14, 2020) Marjorie, 86, born on November 22, 1933 and fortified with the Sacraments of Holy Mother Church on Monday, September 14, 2020. Beloved wife of the late Duane Harold Fadness for 62 loving and adventuresome years. Cherished mother of Anne (Randy) Highness, David (Kathryn) Fadness, Kate (Patrick) Kane, Paula (Michael) Jung and Jane (Peter) Ries. Devoted and loving Grandmother of Emily Highness, Stephanie (Josh) Hall, Sam (Karen) Fadness, Sara (Jerry) Carrizal, Daniel Kane, Benjamin Kane, Alison (Steve) Jung-Clemons, Andrew Jung, Caroline Jung, Jack Ries and Emma Ries. Smitten Great-Grandmother to Madison Carrizal. She was a treasured wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, aunt and friend.

Marjorie grew up in Oaks, North Dakota and attended the University of North Dakota Grand Forks. In 1955, she graduated with a degree in History and Home Economics. That same year, she married her favorite Geography tutor, Duane Fadness.

Over the years, Marjorie had various careers along the way but her dream job and passion was wife, mother and grandmother. She was tireless and never met a project or recipe she didn't try. She created a home filled with laughter, cookies, crafts and Saturday chores. Duane and Marjorie became expert movers as Duane's career (**JCPenney**) relocated them across the country eight times over 24 years. They finally landed in St. Louis in 1979 and found their place to permanently call home.

Most summers you could find Marge at their lake home in Amery, Wisconsin where all of her children and grandchildren would join her for vacations. Summer days were spent pulling weeds from the lake, building rock walls, taking pontoon boat rides, lighting sparklers, catching frogs and turtles and going for long walks. Amery was her happy place.

Although faced with incredible health challenges over the years, Marge's tenacity and faith gave her the strength to endure those hardships with grace. Marge's family is eternally grateful to the love and care provided by her long-term caregivers especially Trossie Harris. Without their loving care, our parents would not have been able to fulfill their wish to remain at home.

Family will have a private Funeral Mass at St. Clements of Rome Catholic Church. Interment will be private at Resurrection Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made in Marjorie's name or memory to the Des Peres Park Beautification Fund (checks payable to City of Des Peres and mailed to The Lodge, Attn: Kim Johnson, 1050 Des Peres Road, Des Peres, MO 63131).

Fun fact – Marge LOVED stripes. If you'd like to honor her memory, join us in wearing stripes the day of her service in celebration of a life well lived.

Bigham, Donald Ray (Sept 4, 2020) Bigham, 82, of Mount Vernon, Illinois, went to be with his Lord at SSM Health Good Samaritan Hospital in Mount Vernon, Illinois. He was born December 6, 1937 in Mount Vernon, Illinois to the late Randal W. and Ellen Lorraine (Craig) Bigham. Don married Donna Kay (Sigwerth) Bigham on June 7, 1957 in Logan Street Baptist Church in Mount Vernon, Illinois.

In addition to his loving wife of sixty-three years, Don is survived by his daughters; Crystal Senyshyn and husband, John of Crystal Lake, Illinois, Cathy Doonan and husband, Steve of Sycamore, Illinois, Carri Storrs and

husband, Mark of Charlotte, South Carolina; grandsons, Alex Senyshyn of Crystal Lake, Illinois, Caleb Senyshyn of Crystal Lake, Illinois, Matthew Storrs of Charlotte, South Carolina; granddaughters, Sarah Crisman and husband, Tim of Naperville, Illinois, Elizabeth Doonan of Sycamore, Illinois, Katie Zielezinski and husband, Kevin of Sycamore, Illinois, Merissa Atkinson and husband, Nicklos of Sycamore, Illinois, Cindy Murphy and husband, Ross of Lexington, Kentucky; great-grandchildren, Brooklyn Murphy, Addison Murphy, and Grace Crisman; sisters, Kaye Wilson and husband, Jerry of Flower Mound, Texas, Connie Webb and husband, Randy of Mount Vernon, Illinois; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, Don was preceded in death by his infant sister, Betty Jean.

Don attended Mount Vernon public grade schools and high school. Upon graduating, he attended Southern Illinois University for special studies. He went on to **JCPenney** Corporate Schools for business training and advanced studies and JCPenney Corporate Management Clinics where store managers advanced studies in operations and investigation. He obtained his Aircraft pilot training and certification, EMT and Paramedic instructor's certifications, and Fire Command, engine and pump schools with advance command studies to rank of Captain North Stelton Fire from Middlesex College in New Jersey. Don attended University of Maryland Baltimore for Critical Incident Stress Management.

He worked and retired as a **Project Manager** in the corporate offices and Manager in Product Services at **JCPenney Company Corporate** from 1964 to 1997. He was a Quality Assurance Division Manager/Investigator, responsible for the quality of the merchandise purchased by a group of company buying divisions. He traveled to manufactures and investigated the products under consideration for purchase. Mr. Bigham managed JCPenney stores, service facilities, as well as holding Regional Management Responsibilities before moving to the corporate offices in New York City and then in Plano, Texas. He was chairmen of **the JCPenney Volunteer Foundation** both in New York City and in the Dallas, (Plano) Cooperate Offices. Don was Founding Director of Rebuilding Neighborhoods Foundation Inc. in McKinney, Texas and was Founding Director and Charter Member of the McKinney, Texas Habitat for Humanity Inc for six years as President. He operated a small business doing consulting for individuals and small to medium sized companies and was Pastor of Baker Street Baptist Church in Walnut Hill, Illinois.

Mr. Bigham was licensed and ordained as a Southern Baptist Minister and served as a Mission Service Corps missionary in Texas and Illinois for more than twenty years ending in 2012. He served as a Southern Baptist missionary as Baptist Men's Director for Salem South Baptist Association in Mount Vernon. Don worked over forty years in retail corporate and fifteen of the years as Product Services Investigator/Manager with the home office of JCPenney. He was involved in management of Rescue Operations and in disaster relief services management with Illinois Baptist Disaster Relief. Donald was a North American Mission Board Certified Chaplin assigned to disaster relief operations, and hospitals, in the state of Illinois. He also served as chaplain to Mount Vernon's Crossroads Hospital and Mount Vernon's St. Mary's Good Samaritan Hospital. Mr. Bigham served on the Jefferson County Illinois LEPC as Vice Chair, served on the Mount Vernon Prayer Breakfast Committee, committee member on the Jefferson County Senior Saint Committee, and committee member on the Jefferson County Iraqi Freedom Committee. He worked as a volunteer for Illinois State Baptist Disaster Recovery as Coordinator and as Chaplain and a disaster relief Unit Director for Chain saw quick response unit and a search and rescue unit in Jefferson County. Don served as a Chairperson of Jefferson County Minister Association in 2012.

Don was awarded the title of Senior Saint of Jefferson County in 2009. He served as Intentional Interim Pastor for Camp Ground Baptist Church, served the Southern Baptist Convention as a member of its National Nominations Committee, and held office of Recording Secretary for the Illinois State Baptist Association in Springfield, Illinois for three years. Don served as an EMT, Firefighter, and Regional and State wide Director for disaster relief and community organizations, instructor for Paramedics and EMT in New Jersey System for eight years, and retired Firefighter, EMT, and Paramedic instructor in Rank of Captain. He served on the Board of Directors of Regional and County disaster planning organizations planning activities as a member of Collin County, TX LEPC (long-range emergency planning committee.) Don served on the Habitat for Humanity inc. Board of Directors in Jefferson County, Illinois and in Collin County, Texas. Mr. Bigham served as Chairman of

the Board of the American Red Cross, Mid Southern Illinois agency covering several counties in Southern Illinois, a past chairman of the Board for the Greater Southern Illinois Chapter of the American Red Cross, and served as a State Director and a Regional Director with the Texas Baptist Men's Disaster Relief organization. He was a member of and served on the Texas Baptist Men's Disaster Relief Committee's Board of Directors.

Mr. Bigham had several licenses and certifications. Some of his license included: Pilot, single engine fixed (April 27, 1986), Counselor (December 9, 1999), Ham Radio (July 20, 1994 - Current), and SBC Baptist Minister (August 28, 2005). He was certified as Basic and Advance SAR Instructor, FEMA certificate of completion Rural Domestic Consortium, IEMA certificate of completion Cyber Security, Springfield, Illinois, FEMA certificates of achievement, Incident Command System, NOAA certificate of achievement Skywarn concepts 1 2, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary/Compassion Fatigue, IEMA certificate of achievement/Terrorism Task Force, ASIST certificate/Applied Suicide Intervention Skills trainings, and STIHIL company certificate of completion chain saw instructor

Don enjoyed boating, flying, hunting, and competitive fishing. He was interested in motorcycles, ham radios, and computers. Mr. Bigham liked trap shooting, bird hunting, and radio controlled helicopters. Don was certainly an active man in his community and will be dearly missed by those that knew him.

A Visitation will be held on Wednesday, September 9, 2020 from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm at Hughey Funeral Home in Mount Vernon, Illinois. A Funeral Service will begin at 1:00 pm with Reverend Milton Bost officiating. Interment will follow at Mount Vernon Memorial Gardens in Woodlawn, Illinois. Memorials in Don's honor may be made to Good for Haiti (1244 Cibolo Trail, Universal City, Texas 78148)

Please remember to observe social distancing at this time. We are limited to 50 people in our building at a time. Following the CDC and NFDA regulations, we encourage everyone to wear a mask in our facility. They will be made available, upon request.

Call Hughey Funeral Home at 618-242-3348 or visit hugheyfh.com for further information.

To send flowers to the family or plant a tree in memory of Donald Ray Bigham please visit our [Tribute Store](#).

Dauchy, Charles Roger (Aug 16, 2020) Dauchy, age 93, resident of Glen Ellyn, IL died August 16, 2020. He was born on July 7, 1927 in Cedar Rapids, IA to Charles and Adalene Dauchy.

After serving in the Army and graduating from the University of Iowa, Roger moved to Ottawa, IL and began his career with the **JC Penney** company. He met his wife, Alice, at the Ottawa Bible Church. They raised their family in Wheaton, IL. Upon retirement Roger and Alice enjoyed spending time with their family and spending their winters in Naples, FL. Roger was a devoted man of God who lived his beliefs every day and was an inspiration to all who knew him.

He is survived by his three children, Gary (Lynn) Dauchy of Canton, GA, Gordon (Barbara) Dauchy of Apple Valley, MN, and Gail (Dan) Spradley of Aurora, IL, grandchildren, Kristin, Karin, Luke, Laura, Megan, Bryan, and Alyssa, great-grandchildren, Ryan, Kalynn, Judah, Maya, Emmaline, and Layla. He was preceded in death by his wife of 54 years, Alice (nee Cairns), his infant son, Paul, and his sister, Harriet.

A private graveside service was held at Wheaton Cemetery.

Memorial gifts may be directed to Wheaton Bible Church Missions Fund.

Family and friends may sign a guest book at hultgrenfh.com. For more information, please call Hultgren funeral Home at 630-668-0027.

Riley, Wayne William (June 26, 20/20). After residing in six states and many towns throughout his nearly eighty years of life, his spirit left its home in Sun City, AZ to live eternally in heaven.

He is survived by his wife of sixty years, Marlene (nee Waderich), sons Brian (Christina) of Glen Ellyn, IL, Steve (Susan) of Hilton Head Island, SC, David (Kathie) of Indianapolis, IN, and Doug (Sheryl) of Birmingham, AL, twelve grandchildren, four "grand-in-laws", and four great-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents William and Gladys (nee Petersen) Riley, and his brother Wesley Riley.

Wayne was born on July 5, 1940. After growing up in rural Iowa, his career as a store manager for **JC Penney** took him, Marlene, and their growing family to South Dakota, North Dakota, and Indiana.

Following his retirement from the retail business, he enjoyed travelling, reading, golfing, and spending time with family. During these years, he and Marlene lived in Indiana and Alabama before settling in the beautiful desert setting of central Arizona.

Wayne considered family his greatest blessing, and especially prioritized quality time with his grandchildren. He taught them practical skills including home improvement, woodworking, and fishing. He played card games and watched their favorite movies with them. Most importantly, he taught them all the importance of kindness, faith in God, and a strong work ethic.

Wayne knew that, with a smile, you can strike up a conversation with any stranger—which he usually did! Friendly to all, he handwrote letters regularly to keep in touch with family and friends.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, July 18 at Peace Lutheran Church in Greencastle, IN. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Olson, Bernard “Bernie” J. (Apr 7, 2020) Bernie, age 88, passed away at The Pavilion at Glacier Hills in Slinger, WI. He was born on August 4, 1931 in Minneapolis, MN to Bernard and Barbara (Tollefarud) Olson.

Bernie is survived by his loving wife Jean; son Dean – grandsons John and David; daughter Nancy – grandchildren, Joe, Chris, Bob, Erica, James and Kiley; also great-grandchildren Hazel, Asher, Nora, Masey and Landon; daughter Julie and daughter Mary Jo, brother Thomas Olson – nephew Erik and niece Laura.

In addition is Jean's family - daughter Cynthia Delany – grandson Justin, great-grandchildren, Makala, Mackenzie, Tyler, Dylan, Madelyn; granddaughter Heather, great-grandchildren Jubilee and Michael, daughter Karen Linares – grandchildren Jessica, Lindsey, and Matthew; and daughter Dianne Iivari.

Bernie is preceded in death by first wife Patricia Olson

Bernie is a graduate of Wauwatosa High School and Marquette University. He was in the National Guard before enlisting in the Air Force and was stationed at Truax Field as a security correspondent for the airmen during the time of the Korean War.

Bernie was a long time Wisconsin resident. He was retired from the **J.C. Penney Co.** where he had been Controller. He was always interested in astronomy and had a telescope to view the stars before his vision worsened. He liked fishing, boating, biking, hiking, photography and golf until health issues held those back. He also liked to travel and had seen many parts of the country and Europe and Hawaii. He and Jean were residents of Florida until the last two years when they returned to Wisconsin to reside. He will be greatly missed by all of his family and extended family.

Celebration of life will be August 1 at 10 am the viewing (Even though cremated) in North Lake and service at 11. Memorials are appreciated to the family in lieu of flowers. A special thank you to The Pavilion at Glacier Valley. Memorials are appreciated to the family in lieu of flowers.

Gass, Sandra Kay (April 23, 2020) Sandra, 70, died at Baylor, Scott & White Medical Center - Centennial. She was born March 29, 1950 in Lincoln, IL daughter of the late Garland and Dorothy (Wernex) Gass. Sandra went to Lincoln Community High School and graduated in 1972 from Illinois State University in Normal, IL.

She worked for **JCPenney** in Schaumburg, IL until being transferred to **JCPenney** headquarters in Plano, TX in the audit department.

She retired in 2002 and became active in many volunteer roles. She became a Parish Lay Academy graduate on January 30, 2010 and was recently teaching some of the classes. She attended Lutheran Via de Cristo of North Texas weekend #63 in 2003 and staffed three weekends afterwards in addition to serving on the board as Historian. Sandra was also on the boards of the Women of the ELCA (W-ELCA) for the North Texas, Northern Louisiana (NT-NL) Synodical Women's Organization and Dallas Area Metropolitan Conference. She served on the NT-NL boards for the Mission Endowment Fund and Synodical Stewardship Team. Sandra sang

in the Preston Meadow Lutheran Church choir until she became a charter member at Rejoice Lutheran Church in Frisco, TX. There she served as a Stephen Minister, choir member, Past President of the Church Council and chaired the Outreach Committee. She also served as President of the Friends of the Frisco Public Library and President of the Frisco Book Club. Survivors include cousins, Gary (Anne) Stoltzenburg, Lincoln, IL; and David Renouf, New Zealand. Sandra was godmother for Crosby Landau and Lexi, Gracie and Mackie Grentz along with being a spiritual mother/grandmother to many other children.

Sandra was preceded in death by her parents and her sister, Judith Rae Gass. She will be missed by family and friends. A special thanks to the doctors, nurses and staff at Baylor, Scott & White Medical Center – Centennial for their compassionate care. Also thanks to Rev. Neil White, Carissa Cullumber and Cedelia (Dee) Phillips for their ongoing support.

She will be interred at Restland Funeral Home and Crematory, 13005 Greenville Avenue, Dallas, TX 75243. Online condolences may be expressed at <https://www.restlandfuneralhome.com/>. A celebration of life service will be scheduled later in summer at Rejoice Lutheran Church, 12000 Independence Parkway, Frisco, TX 75035. Memorials can also be directed to Rejoice Lutheran Church. To send flowers or a memorial gift to the family of Sandra K. Gass please visit our [Sympathy Store](#).

Spivey, Wanda Gail (Richards) (May 5, 2020) Wanda, formerly of St. Augustine, FL, passed away peacefully in Florence, South Carolina. She led a wonderful life full of Christ-like love for others including her husband, three children, seven grandchildren, and eleven great-grandchildren. She was 93.

Born in St. Louis, Missouri on November 19, 1926, to Raymond and Willie Richards, she is survived by her loving husband of 73 years, **Virlin Edward Spivey (JCPenney Associate)**, her three children, Virlin Edward (Tricia) Spivey Jr. of Washington D.C., Gail (John) Veale of Darlington, SC, and Richard (Nanette) Spivey of Florence, SC. "Mimi" was also beloved by her grandchildren Colleen (Adrian) Spivey, Christopher (Kelci) Veale, Kate (Damaso) Spivey, Sara (Brett) Hickman, Kyle (Megan) Spivey, Brent (Danielle) Spivey, Samuel (Cassy) Spivey, and great-grandchildren Daniella, Henry, Sophia, Ethan, David, Owen, Cecilia, Emilee, Reagan, Jack, and Ellis.

Wanda attended and excelled at Lindenwood College and was Secretary to Superintendent of schools in Sikeston, Missouri. She married Virlin Edward Spivey in Sikeston, Missouri on May 17, 1947 and together they raised their family and faithfully served their church and community in St. Charles, Missouri; Cape Girardeau, Missouri; Kennett, Missouri; Vincennes, Indiana, and St. Augustine, Florida, before moving to the Bethea Baptist Retirement Community in Darlington, South Carolina in 2016.

She was completely devoted to her family and her church, demonstrating a servant's heart in all that she did. A lifetime love of books, reading, and educating was extraordinarily exemplified in her over forty years of serving as library director and volunteer at Ridgecrest Baptist Church in Vincennes, Indiana, and Anastasia Baptist Church in St. Augustine, FL. She founded the State of Indiana Media Library Organization, and worked tirelessly with churches to establish and develop their media libraries. She also served on the Executive Board of the Indiana State Convention of Baptists for six years, and was active in campus and women's mission ministries in her local churches.

She will be greatly missed as a cherished wife, beloved mom, adored grandmother and great grandmother "Mimi", and a faithful friend to all. With her virtue, faithfulness, reverence, strength, and endurance, Wanda Spivey was a great example of a godly, Proverbs 31 woman.

A memorial service in her honor will be announced at a later date. Notes of condolences can be sent to Ed Spivey, Bethea Retirement Community, 157 Home Ave., Darlington, SC 29532

Kistler-Hardee Funeral Home in Darlington, SC is serving the family.

Bowley, Judith L. (Mar 20, 2020) Judith, born December 15, 1940 was preceded in death by husband, Richard Bowley; son, Ken Bowley; and father, Harold Bates.

Survived by her daughter, Debra Knight (Bill); daughter-in-law, Carol Bowley; mother, Maxine Lorraine Powers; grandchildren, Dylan Bowley (Laura), Ryan Knight (Whitney Krepps), Lindsay Bowley, Lauren Wilcox

(Ryan), and Paige Knight (Elliott McCalley); and great-grandchildren, Haylee, Harper, Hadley, Annalie, Abel, Skylar, Madisyn, expecting baby girl Kennedy.

Private Family Graveside Services in Evergreen Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to the Nebraska Humane Society. CHAPEL OF MEMORIES 9001 Arbor Street #111, Omaha, NE 68124 | 402-551-1011 omahachapelofmemories.com

Lindstrom, Virginia Evelyn (Brown) (Apr 9, 2020) 1930 - 2020 Virginia (Brown) Lindstrom was born on February 1, 1930 in Oregon, MO, and passed in Mount Vernon, NY, after contracting COVID-19.

She was preceded in death by her adoptive parents, Hal and Mabel Brown of Council Bluffs, IA; and her husband, Vernon Lindstrom of Omaha, NE (**JCPenney Retiree**).

She is survived by her children and sons-in-law: Heather Lindstrom and Kevin Logan of New York, NY; Ivy Lindstrom Fredericks and William Fredericks of Bronxville, NY; John Lindstrom of Sherman Oaks, CA; and four grandchildren: Charlotte Fredericks, Tyler Logan, Thomas Fredericks and Blythe Logan.

During the family's 38-year residence in Omaha from 1972 to 2010, our mother was involved in numerous local and civic organizations, and along with her husband, Vern, was committed to volunteering. Our mother was a loving, supportive mom with excellent artistic taste and a great sense of humor, as well as being a superb cook and a talented hostess. She was always the center of our family life, and we shall miss her deeply.

A Memorial will be scheduled for later this summer. Memorials may be sent to the COVID-19 Crisis Response Fund at Methodist Hospital Foundation in Omaha, NE.

Stratton, John W. (Feb 17, 2020), John, 87, of Omaha, NE, passed away in Omaha.

He was born December 13, 1932 in San Jose, CA to John and Fern (Jepson) Stratton. John grew up in the San Francisco Bay area where he began his baseball career. As a teenager, he played in the 1950 Hearst Sandlot Classic in New York City and met Joe Di Maggio. His baseball career in the minor leagues took him to Ventura, CA; Eau Claire, WI; Evansville, IN; Jacksonville, FL and Cedar Rapids, IA.

After retiring from baseball, John had a lifelong career with the **JCPenney Company**, which eventually brought him to Falls City as the store's manager. He shared his love of baseball as a youth coach there, leading the Falls City Elks Midget baseball team in the state tournament. John's passion for fishing took him to Wisconsin, Utah, Alaska, Canada, Belize and Christmas Island, to name a few.

On September 22, 1956, John married Janet Helene Caton in Eau Claire, WI. John is survived by his children Kathy and her husband Ken Kottich of Lincoln, NE; Bob and wife Ann (Frederick) Stratton of Omaha, NE; Joyce and husband Pat Lang, Salt Lake City, UT and Jayne Stratton, Lincoln, NE, special friend, Elaine Hansen of Omaha. He is also survived by his grandchildren Ryan and Toyin Kottich (Lincoln), Jon Kottich and Nicole Chmelka (Lincoln), Adam Kottich (Lincoln), Rachel and John Lee (Omaha), Zach Stratton (Springfield, MO) and great grandchildren Jackson and Olivia Lee (Omaha). He was preceded in death by his parents, sisters, wife and son John.

In 1949, the "scrappy shortstop" from San Jose, CA, played in the American Legion "Little League World Series" at Omaha's Municipal Stadium (Rosenblatt Stadium) as a member of the Bill Irwin Post (Oakland, CA) Little League Team. He was the shortstop in a triple play that helped secure victory in the title game. It seems fitting that his life led him back to Omaha where he eventually crossed home plate, for the last time. Of all the wonderful experiences John had during his lifetime, his family was always first. As he told his grandkids after their games: "Number (jersey number) on your scorecard, number one in my heart."

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Friday, February 21, 2020 at 10:30 AM at Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church, Falls City. Interment will be in Falls City Catholic Cemetery. A Parish Rosary will be recited on Thursday, 7:00 PM at Dorr and Clark Funeral Home with family receive friends afterwards.

Pirtle, Rives Walter (Feb 11, 2020) Walt, age 85, passed away in San Antonio, Texas.

Walt began a 50 year career with **JC Penney** in 1957 in Kewanee, IL. He held various entry level positions in Moline, Hammond, Gary, Indiana; Gulf Mill, Chicago and Chicago District Staff. He served as the Store Manager in Hammond, IN, then went on to serve as District Manager in Omaha, NE, followed by Regional Co-Coordinator in the New York office. From there, he located to Denver, Colorado as District Manager, followed by a move to San Antonio, Texas as District Manager. He retired in 2007 as the Store Manager in Corpus Christi with 50 active years of service with JC Penney.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Rives and Margaret; brothers Paul and William and sister, Jane.

Walt is survived by his wife Ann, children Tara & Jay Pettersson, Tamara and Dennis Pearman, Tracia Roberts, Mark & Audrey Pirtle and Trina Pirtle; Stepson Brian and Nancy Stuhl; brother Jon and Deedee Pirtle; Grandchildren Matthew & Nicholas Pearman; Katie Roberts, Taylor Pirtle, Sam and Chris Pettersson and Connor Stuhl.