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| Sachen, Jeffrey Scott | <p>Sachen, Jeffrey Scott Age 37, of Campbellsport died Saturday Sept. 22, 2007. He was born on Nov. 10, 1969 in Milwaukee, the son of Gregory and Maria Malanczuk Sachen.</p> <p>On May 12, 2004 he married Kimberly C. Schulze in Las Vegas, NV. Jeffrey was a 1987 Honor Graduate at Milwaukee Boys Tech where he lettered in track and swim. He served as an altar boy at St. John's Parish in Greenfield, WI. He earned the honors as Eagle Scout and Den Chief.</p> <p>Jeff served 8 years in the United States Air Force and honorably served in Panama and Desert Storm.</p> <p>Jeff was a volunteer fire fighter. He also was a self-taught auto mechanic, avid hunter, water skier, fisherman and loved riding his Harley. He enjoyed tinkering with things; a "Jeff" of all trades. Jeff worked as a avionic mechanic for Midwest and now as an experimental mechanic for Harley Davidson. He always had a helping hand and has touched the hearts of many people.</p> <p>Survivors include his wife Kim, their children Cheyenne Marie and Tyler Matthew, his daughters Brittany and Rebecca (their mother Michele Gillett Sachen). Further survived by his mother Maria Sachen, father Greg Sachen (CA), his brother Mark Sachen and Mark's son Austin, Grandma Minna, Grandpa Sachen, Uncle John and Auntie Rose Malanczuk, his mother-in-law Jan Schulze, his sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law Beth and Mike Ciriacks, Danette and Tim Schulze and Emily and Ken Schulze, nieces Amanda and Heather, nephews Michael and Kenny, and many other aunts, uncles and cousins throughout the world. Jeff was preceded in death by Grandpa Matt, Grandma Hillie, Great Grandma Doris and Uncle Gary.</p> <p>A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Saturday, Sept. 29, 2007, at 7:30 PM, at St. Matthew's Catholic Church, Campbellsport. Rev. Neil Zinthefer will officiate and burial will be Monday at 10:00 AM at Southern Wisconsin Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Union Grove. Visitation will be Sat. from 5:30 PM until time of mass at the church.</p> <p>In lieu of flowers, a trust has been set up for the Sachen children at any Wells Fargo Bank with checks made out to the Sachen Children. Twohig Funeral Home Campbellsport is serving the family. www.twohigfunerals.com.</p> <p>Daddy, we're going to miss all the little things that only you could teach us. Jeff, you will always be with us in our hearts. We love you!</p> <p>Source: Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, Milwaukee, WI, September 28, 2007, extracted October 3, 2007.</p> |
| Saenz, Carlos | <p>When 1st Sgt. Carlos Saenz was home in November from Iraq, it was clear he believed he was making a difference.</p> <p>"He enjoyed his tour with the Iraqis. He loved the Iraqis, loved the mission," said his sister-in-law Jeany Davidson. "He saw himself as a peacemaker over there."</p> <p>About 350 people attended a Saturday memorial service for the Army Reserve soldier, who died near Al Hillah, Iraq, on May 5. His flag-draped casket at the front of the room, the 46-year-old was honored as a "soldier's soldier."</p> |

"He'd be the first to tell you not to remember him as a hero," said Chuck Giesler, Saenz's friend and brother-in-law. "He'd want us to remember him as a good father, a good son, a good soldier."

After the eulogy, a video montage of photos set to the song "Angry American" played. It had been prepared by Saenz's 14-year-old son, Juan.

The casket was carried outside, where an honor guard shot 21 times in Saenz's honor. Soldiers folded the flag that had covered his coffin and presented it and two others to the family, along with medals awarded posthumously.

A bugler played taps as the honor guard carried away the casket. It will be flown to Arlington National Cemetery, outside Washington, D.C., for burial.

Saenz had served as a soldier in the regular Army, Nevada National Guard and Army Reserves, as well as working for Nevada Test Site security firm Wackenhut Services Inc., for more than 20 years.

Beyond the battlefield, Saenz was praised as a family man.

"He had a unique, abiding, loving relationship with his son and wife," Davidson said.

When news reached Iraq that Juan did well in a science fair, Saenz banged on another soldier's door to wake him up so they could go shopping.

"Oh, my son! Oh, my son!" Saenz shouted with glee, according to the soldier's e-mail. "He's going to be the smart one in the family."

Saenz was killed when an improvised explosive device struck his vehicle during combat operations about 60 miles south of Baghdad, according to a statement from the U.S. military. Las Vegas resident Spc. Teodoro Torres Jr. also was killed, as was Sgt. Nathan J. Vacho of Janesville, Wis.

Saenz and Torres, who worked for a local helicopter company, were assigned to the 490th Civil Affairs Battalion in Abilene, Texas. They were attached to the 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division. Saenz was awarded the Bronze Star, the Purple Heart, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Iraq Campaign Medal and the Global War on Terrorism Medal on Saturday. He also received the Combat Action Badge, which was awarded for direct contact with the enemy on May 5.

Saenz was born on Jan. 29, 1960, in Mexico. He came to the United States as a child and his family moved to Nevada in 1970, "searching for a better life," Giesler said.

According to Special Operations Command, Saenz entered active duty in 1978 and served with the 508th Infantry of the 82nd Airborne Division.

Records from the Nevada National Guard show he was a member of the Nevada Guard from June 1990 to 1992, serving with the 72nd Military Police Company in Desert Shield and Desert Storm.

In June of 1994, he was assigned to the Guard's 1st Squadron, 221st Armor Battalion, Las Vegas until January 2000. Then, he became an instructor in the 421st Regional Training Institute in Stead. In May 2002, he joined the Guard's 1864th Transportation Company, Henderson until he was honorably discharged in

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| | <p>January 2004. He then was assigned to the Individual Ready Reserve.</p> <p>He met his wife, Nanette, while in the Army during the first Iraq war, Davidson said.</p> <p>He is survived by his wife, and son, both of Las Vegas; his father, Jose Tarin, of Mexico; his mother, Joaquina Chores, of Henderson; and three sisters and one brother, all of Las Vegas.</p> <p>Source: Las Vegas Review-Journal, Las Vegas, NV, May 14, 2006, extracted September 22, 2007.</p> |
| <p>Sammons, Charles Anthony</p> | <p>Services for Charles Anthony Sammons, 35, will be held 7 p.m. Thursday, May 13, 2004 at Folk Funeral Home Chapel in Williston with visitation held one hour prior to the service.</p> <p>Born at Fort Gordon in Georgia, he was a son of Monika Graesser Sammons and the late Thomas C. Sammons, Sr. He attended Perry First Assembly Church of God in Wagener. Charles was a self-employed carpenter .</p> <p>He served in the U.S. Navy during Desert Storm.</p> <p>Survivors include his wife, Jennifer Jordan Sammons; daughter, Courtney Rose Miller; sisters, Sherry and Barbara Sammons and Kim Dansby; brother, Thomas C. Sammons, Jr.; grandmother, Ottie "Omi" Graesser.</p> <p>Source: The Augusta Chronicle, August, GA, May 13, 2004, extracted August 13, 2007.</p> |
| <p>Sando, Anthony F.</p> | <p>Anthony F. "Pops" Sando, 74, went to be with his wife and the Lord on Saturday, May 12, 2007, in Albuquerque.</p> <p>Mr. Sando was a retired Technical Sergeant from the Air Force, having served in Korea, Vietnam and Desert Storm, and was retired also from civil service.</p> <p>He was preceded in death by his wife, Rita Sando. Survivors include a daughter Terry Penney and her husband Eddy of Las Vegas, Nevada; two sons, Tony Sando and Wayne Sando and his wife Stormy, all of Alamogordo; three granddaughters; two grandsons; and three great-grandchildren.</p> <p>Should friends desire, they may call or send flowers to the family home, 1902 Crescent Drive, Alamogordo.</p> <p>Following cremation, inurnment will be in the Southern Nevada Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Boulder City, Nev. Cremation arrangements are under the direction of Hamilton-O'Dell Funeral Home.</p> <p>Source: Alamogordo Daily News, Alamogordo, NM, May 14, 2007, extracted September 24, 2007.</p> |
| <p>Saunders, Jeffrey Scott</p> | <p>Jeffrey Scott Saunders, Age 36, born in San Diego, CA, a resident of Joliet for 35 years, passed away, Monday, July 16, 2007 at Provena Saint Joseph Medical Center.</p> <p>Jeff is preceded in death by his parents. He graduated from J.T.H.S. Central 1989.</p> <p>He served in the U.S. Navy during Desert Storm. He was employed at T.S.A.,</p> |

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| | <p>O'Hare.</p> <p>He is survived by three brothers and one sister, Darnell (Kim) Jackson, Demetris (Angela) Saunders, Ryan (Tiffany) Saunders and Crystal Saunders, of Joliet, IL; paternal grandmother, Jaruth Tumbling, Joliet, IL; grandfather, Hayes Thorton; and step mother, Cheryl Saunders, Sun City, AZ. Also, several aunts and uncles including, Marolyn (Edward) Holmes, TN, Caroline (Earl) Williams, Atlanta, GA, Harry Morris, Joliet, IL.</p> <p>Funeral Service Tuesday, July 24, 11 a.m., at Second Baptist Church, Rev. Larry V. Tyler, officiating. Visitation 10-11 a.m. at the church. Interment and Military Honors, Abraham Lincoln Cemetery, Elwood, IL. RANGE FUNERAL HOME 202 S. Eastern Ave, Joliet, IL 815-722-2215</p> <p>Source: The Herald News, Joliet, IL, July 22, 2007, extracted September 28, 2007.</p> |
| Saunders, Michael Bernard | <p>Michael Bernard Saunders, 51, of Sierra Vista, Ariz., died Sept. 21, 2006, in Sierra Vista.</p> <p>Services were held on Friday, Oct. 6, with burial at the Southern Arizona Veterans Memorial Cemetery with full military honors. Arrangements were by Hatfield Funeral Home, Sierra, Ariz.</p> <p>Born in Elizabeth on April 15, 1955, to James Bernard Saunders and the late Louise Elizabeth Stewart, he graduated from Westfield High School and Stockton State College, and participated on track and field teams for both schools.</p> <p>Mr. Saunders retired with the rank of Sergeant First Class, U.S. Army. During his military career, he received numerous awards and was associated with military intelligence. He proudly served in Operation Desert Storm, Bosnia, Germany and Panama.</p> <p>He is survived by his daughter, Lisa Saunders of Germany; his father, James Saunders of Westfield, and sister, Audrey Virginia Peppers of Conyers, Ga.</p> <p>Source: The Star-Ledger, Newark, NJ, Oct. 8, 2006, extracted August 25, 2007.</p> |
| Sayers, Edward Joseph | <p>ORANGE BEACH Edward Joseph Sayers Jr., 70, of Orange Beach died Friday, June 29, 2007.</p> <p>Sayers was a United States Army veteran of Vietnam and Desert Storm.</p> <p>Survivors include his wife, Isabel Sayers of Orange Beach; three sons, Edward Sayers of Massachusetts, Brian Sayers of Indiana and Scott Sayers of Virginia; and six grandchildren.</p> <p>A private memorial service will be held at a later date. Arrangements are by Cason Funeral Service in Foley.</p> <p>Source: Press-Register, Mobile, AL, July 6, 2007, extracted September 28, 2007.</p> |
| Schack, Rod | <p>In loving memory of Retired Major Rod Schack. Rod went to the lords resting place on Saturday, Dec. 9, 2006 at the young age of 44. He left behind his beloved wife of thirteen years, Tami. His sparkle in his eye, which was his three children, McKenzie, 11, McKayla, 10 and Keenen, 8.</p> |

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| | <p>He was also survived by his mother, Bonnie Flieder of Stanwood, Wash.; his sister Lynel Gullidge of Stanwood; his stepmother Lorna Schack of Seattle, Wash. and many extended family members.</p> <p>Rod served in the United States Air Force for 22 years. While on active duty, he served his country well. He was a veteran of Operation Desert Storm (first Iraq war), Uphold Democracy (Hati); Vigilant Warrior (prevented second Iraqi invasion of Kuwait), Deny Flight, Deliberate Force, Decisive Edge, Deliberate Guard and Decisive Endeavor (all over Bosnia-Herzegovina); Shining Hope (humanitarian support of refugees from Kosovo War) and Atlas Response (humanitarian relief of flood-stricken Mozambique and Southern Africa). He also had over 60 combat hours while flying as part of ABCCC (Airborne Battlefield Command and Control Center) crew during Decisive Endeavor.</p> <p>Rod had a passion for flying airplanes and could not wait until the next time he was in the air again. He had an eye for photography and always had a camera in his hand.</p> <p>He is loved by many people and was a true blessing in all of our hearts.</p> <p>The viewing will begin today with the family receiving friends from 7 to 8: 30 p.m. at Sturtevant Funeral Home 2690 Bridge Rd. Suffolk. The service will be held 2:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 15 at Langley Air Force Base Chapel Hampton, Va.</p> <p>In lieu of flowers, the family will be thankful for any donation to the Tami Schack Memorial Fund at Woodforest Bank # 1934800820.</p> <p>Source: Daily Press, Newport News, VA, Dec. 14, 2006, extracted August 25, 2007.</p> |
| Schaer, Joseph Arthur | <p>PONTIAC - Joseph Arthur Schaer, 42, Pontiac, died at 9:12 p.m. Thursday (Sept. 27, 2007) in rural Cornell.</p> <p>His funeral will be at 10 a.m. Monday at First Lutheran Church, Pontiac, with the Rev. Dieter Punt officiating. Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m. Sunday at Martin-Burke Funeral Home, Pontiac. Burial will at Memorial Park Cemetery in rural Pontiac, where full military rites will be accorded. The family suggests memorials be left to N.A.M.I. or First Lutheran Church in Pontiac.</p> <p>Joseph was born Oct. 31, 1964, in Peoria, a son of Alfred and Wanda Watson Schaer.</p> <p>He is survived by his mother and stepfather, Wanda (Marvelyn) Schlueter, rural Cornell; one brother, Wayne Schaer, St. Louis, Mo.; one sister, Sue (Mike) Grant, Forrest; one brother-in-law, John (Jeanette) Langhoff II, Blackstone; three stepsisters, Diana (Carl) Tull, Fairbury; Donna (Bill) Skonetski, Blackstone; and Carla (Doug) Potrzeba, Flanagan; two nephews, Kyle (Kelly) Langhoff, Fayette, Mo., and Chad (Amber Sharp) Langhoff, Kenosha, Wis.; one niece, Erin Grant, Forrest; numerous stepnieces and nephews and great-stepnieces and nephews.</p> <p>He was preceded in death by his father, Alfred A. Schaer; his grandparents, Lawrence Watson and Emil and Pauline Schaer; his sister, Debra Schaer Langhoff; and a stepsister, Laura Schlueter Marshall.</p> <p>Joseph graduated from Cornell High School.</p> |

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| | <p>He served in the U.S. Marine Corps for 13 years, serving our country during Operation Desert Shield. He was employed by the maintenance department of Livingston County. He was a member of the First Lutheran Church of Pontiac and the Pontiac VFW.</p> <p>Source: The Pantagraph, Bloomington, IL, September 29, 2007, extracted October 6, 2007.</p> |
| Schmidt, Michael Robert | <p>STOUGHTON - Michael Robert Schmidt, age 43, of Stoughton, died on Jan. 11, 2004, at his home. Mike was born on July 4, 1960, the son Robert and Dorothy (Waldmann) Schmidt. Mike married Anita Frauchiger on Sept. 18, 1993.</p> <p>He was retired from the National Guard after 18 years of service to his country. He served his country during Desert Storm.</p> <p>Surviving are his wife, Anita Schmidt of Stoughton; mother, Dorothy Schmidt of Cambridge; sister, Lori (James) Alme of Stoughton; a niece, Ashley Alme; step-children, Dawn (Kevin) Krueger of Wilmington, Ill., Dena (Richard) Roberts of Cambridge, and Chad (Katrina) Friedli of Marshfield; seven step-grandchildren; and his mother-in-law, Catherine Frauchiger of Monroe.</p> <p>Mike was preceded in death by his father, Robert Schmidt. Funeral services will be held on Friday, Jan. 16, 2004, at 1 p.m. at the NITARDY FUNERAL HOME CHAPEL, Cambridge. Burial will be in the Kroghville Cemetery, located in the town of Lake Mills. Friends may call on Thursday, Jan. 15, 2004, from 4 p.m. until 7 p.m. at the NITARDY FUNERAL HOME CHAPEL in Cambridge, and also on Friday, Jan 16, 2004, from noon until the time of the service.</p> <p>Source: Wisconsin State Journal, Madison, WI, Jan. 14, 2004, extracted August 13, 2007</p> |
| Schnoor, Travis | <p>COLUMBUS, GA. - Mr. Travis Schnoor of Columbus, Ga., died Wednesday, Oct. 27, 2004, in Baghdad, Iraq.</p> <p>Mr. Schnoor was born Oct. 7, 1965, in Kailua, Hawaii, the son of James Schnoor and Shirley Ethridge-Cook. He had lived in Columbus for the past 19 years.</p> <p>He is a former U.S. Army Ranger. He served in Operation Just Cause in Panama and Desert Storm in Iraq.</p> <p>The past 15 years he was a deputy sheriff with the Muscogee County Sheriff Department. While deputy sheriff, he served as the commander of the Columbus Metro Emergency Response Team, the sheriffs special response team. Mr. Schnoor was instrumental in setting up the Homeland Security protocol for Columbus and surrounding areas. He was a certified clandestine lab tech and developed the explosive breaching program for the sheriffs department. Mr. Schnoor was raised in Marshall.</p> <p>He is survived by his wife, Alyce; son, Tristan of Columbus, Ga.; father, James Schnoor of Shell Lake; mother, Shirley Ethridge-Cook of Monroe; two brothers, Todd Schnoor of Tulsa, Okla., and Jeremy Schnoor of Shell Lake; sister, Toni Backlin of Shell Lake; several nieces and nephews; and numerous aunts and uncles. Memorial services will be held at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 14, 2004, in CHURCH OF CHRIST, 103 20th Ave., Monroe.</p> |

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| | <p>In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Travis L. Schnoor Memorial Fund, care of Columbus Bank and Trust, Columbus, Ga.</p> <p>Source: Wisconsin State Journal, Madison, WI, Nov. 12, 2004, extracted August 13, 2007.</p> |
| Schofield, Ronald A. | <p>Ronald A. Schofield, Jr., 64, of Sanford, died Thursday afternoon at his home.</p> <p>He was born April 27, 1942 in Midland County, the son of the late Bud and Helen (Geiling) Schofield and had attended schools in Sanford and Midland. Ronald had been employed with Magnum Construction.</p> <p>He was a member of the Sanford American Legion Post #443 having served his country in the Gulf War; Operation Desert Storm; and served his community being a member of the Jerome Township Fire Department.</p> <p>Ronald is survived by his children; Technical SGT. John (Nicole) Schofield of Great Falls, MT; Jamee Young of Sanford, and their mother Pam Schofield, also of Sanford. He is also survived by his grandchildren: Kelsey and Korrina Young, Cianna and Christian Schofield; three sisters, Deniece (Bud) Scott of Sanford; Luanna (Charles) Finney of Coleman, and Cindy (Robert) Barrett of Jasper, TN.</p> <p>Graveside services will take place 1 p.m. Tuesday, April 24 at the Sanford Cemetery with military honors rendered by the Midland Area Veterans. Those planning an expression of sympathy are asked to consider the Jerome Township Fire Department.</p> <p>Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Ware-Smith-Woolever Funeral Directors.</p> <p>Source: Midland Daily News, Midland, TX, April 21, 2007, extracted September 23, 2007.</p> |
| Schul, Jason T. | <p>Schul, Jason T., age 36, of Eaton, Ohio died unexpectedly Feb. 12, 2007. He was born January 26, 1971 to Homer L. and Paula (Blaylock) Schul in Middletown, Ohio. He worked as a machinist at General Motors. He graduated from Preble Shawnee High School in 1989 and Culver Military Academy in 1987.</p> <p>He was in the U.S. Navy for 7 years with 4.0 Evals Rank E-5, he received National Defense Metal/ Kuwait Liberation Medal/ Southwest Asia Service Metal with Bronze Star/ Sea Service Deployment Ribbon/ Battle E Ribbon/ Expert at Arms/Navy Unit Commendation/ EAWS/QUAL 93 May 20/ First good conduct Award/ 1991/Enlisted Aviation Warfare Specialist/Theodore Roosevelt Air Carrier CVN-71/Co MNAVAIRLAN Battle Efficiency award/Jet aircraft mechanic and Instructor/Inspector/Operation Desert Shield - Operation Desert Storm/three months in combat zone Iraq Operation provide comfort and no fly zone Bosnia.</p> <p>He was a member of Stubbs Road Church, and U.A.W. color guard.</p> <p>He was preceded in death by his father in 1985, grandparents, Robert L. and Delores O. Roberson, Homer L. and Flora Schul, uncles, Marvin E. and Steven L. Schul. He is survived by parents, Paula (Jim) Miller of Eaton, Ohio; sons, Damon Michael and Jared Levi Schul of Franklin, Ohio; daughter Makayla Lynn Schul of Franklin, Ohio; brothers Jacob (Janet)</p> |

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| | <p>Schul of New Paris, Ohio, Eddie Miller of Riverside, Ohio and David (Krista) Miller of West Alexandria, Ohio. Sister, Terri Schul of NC; aunts, Linda (Clay) Lawson, Linda (Bill) Johnson, Irma (Charles) Carroll and Rita Perry; special great aunt and uncle, Haven Patricia and Edgar Lawson and numerous cousins.</p> <p>Visitation will be Monday February 19, 2007 from 12 to 2 PM at Baker-Stevens Funeral Home. Celebration of Life Services will be Monday, February 19, 2007 at 2 PM at Baker-Stevens Funeral Home with Dale Hall officiating. Interment will be in Fairview Cemetery. Condolences may be sent to the family via our web page at www.baker-stevens.com Baker Stevens Funeral Home P.O. Box 421039 Middletown OH 45042</p> <p>Source: Middletown Journal, Middletown, OH, Feb. 16, 2007, extracted Sep. 24, 2007</p> |
| Schulz, Frederic C. | <p>Frederic C. Schulz passed away June 12, 2007, at the age of 55. He was a resident of Austin for 14 years, and former resident of Plymouth, Wisconsin. He was born February 1, 1952 in Black River Falls, Wisconsin, the son of Pearl Gaylord Schulz and Frederic A. Schulz.</p> <p>Frederic served in the United States Air Force for twenty years before retiring. He was stationed in Germany from 1979-1983, and at four Air Force bases throughout the United States. Frederic worked on the F-117A "Stealth Fighter" while it was still a top secret black project, at Tonopah Test Range. He proudly served during Operation Just Cause, the invasion of Panama in 1990, as well as Operation Desert Shield/ Desert Storm in Kuwait in 1991. Frederic received various medals and awards throughout his service.</p> <p>After moving to Austin, he worked at Louis Shanks Furniture as a service department technician until 2006. He was a member and an usher at Redeemer Lutheran Church in Austin.</p> <p>Frederic was preceded in death by his mother and father. He is survived by one sister, Ruth Calkins, and one niece, Carly Calkins, both of Sun Prairie, Wisconsin, as well as numerous cousins.</p> <p>Visitation will begin at 9:00 a.m., Thursday, June 21, 2007, followed by a funeral service at 10:00 a.m., both at Redeemer Lutheran Church, 1500 W. Anderson Lane, Austin. A graveside service will follow at 2:15 p.m. at Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio.</p> <p>Source: Austin American-Statesman, Austin, TX, June 21, 2007, extracted September 26, 2007.</p> |
| Schutte, Kevin A. | <p>Kevin A. Schutte, 33, died March 20, 2007, in Vero Beach. He was born in Covington, Ky. and was a resident of Sebastian for 17 years.</p> <p>He served in the Air Force during Desert Storm. He was a member of the VFW in Sebastian and attended St. Sebastian Church.</p> <p>He graduated from Vero Beach High School in 1992.</p> <p>Survivors include his parents, Gregory and Sharleen Schutte of Sebastian; brother Brian Schutte of Georgetown, Ga.; sister Kimberly Hudson of Sebastian; wife Erica of Pope Air Force Base, N.C.; and maternal grandmother Betty Arnold of Daytona Beach.</p> <p>Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 3375</p> |

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| | <p>20th Street, Suite 100, Vero Beach, FL 32960. Services: The funeral was March 24 at the Seawinds Funeral Home Chapel, Sebastian.</p> <p>Source: Sebastian Sun, Sebastian, FL, Mar. 30, 2007, extracted Sep. 25, 2007</p> |
| Schwartz, Ronald N. | <p>Ronald N. Schwartz, of Bloomfield, IN passed away due to an accident on Monday, August 27, 2007. He was 48 years old.</p> <p>Born on January 27, 1959 in Pottsville, Pennsylvania he was the son of Ronald and Sandra (Clauser) Schwartz. He was a 1977 graduate of the Pottsville High School.</p> <p>Ron served his country for 29 years, 25 as Active Duty Navy from 1978-2003. The continued his service at NSWC Crane as a civil servant. Ron's duty stations included Japan, Pensacola, Norfolk, San Diego, Alaska, Hawaii, the USS Biddle during Desert Storm and the White House under the Reagan and Bush administrations.</p> <p>Ron was an avid outdoorsman, enjoying fishing and hunting and had a love for hunting dogs. He was Past President of the German Shorthair Pointer Club of San Diego and a long time member of Quails Unlimited and the NRA. He was a loving husband, father and friend.</p> <p>Ron is survived by his wife Erin (Lynch) Schwartz of Bloomfield, three daughters: Chelsie N. Schwartz and Rebecca P. Schwartz of Bloomington and Amanda Wright and her husband Christopher of Pottsville, PA. One son Ronnie N. Schwartz of Bloomfield. Two grandchildren: Madison and Caden Wright of Pennsylvania. His parents Ronald and Sandra Schwartz of Pottsville, PA, four sisters: Kathleen Kramer, Cynthia Salak, Diane Miller and husband Jacob and Susan Hoke and husband Edward all of the Pottsville, PA area. His maternal grandfather Elmer Clauser and numerous aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.</p> <p>He was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, Norman and Dorothy Schwartz and his maternal grandmother Teresa Clauser.</p> <p>Memorial Services will be held 3:00 p.m. Friday, August 31, 2007 at ALLEN FUNERAL HOME with military rites provided by the Veteran's Honor Guard. Visitation will be held on Friday from 1:00 PM until time of services.</p> <p>In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to the Education Fund for Ronald's children, in care of Allen Funeral Home, 3000 E. Third St. Bloomington, IN 47401.</p> <p>Source: Pensacola News Journal, Pensacola, FL, August 30, 2007, extracted September 28, 2007.</p> |
| Scott, John Jr. | <p>John Scott Jr., who loved his family and who loved his life, died unexpectedly at age 36 on Thursday, August 31, 2006, in Cox South Hospital. John was a good man; loyal, funny, generous, kind and smart. Most of all, John was loved by everyone who knew him.</p> <p>John was born in Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri , December 27, 1969. He attended Wheatland High School and entered the United States Air Force in 1989, serving in Desert Storm.</p> <p>In addition to being a self-employed contractor, John had spent the last several</p> |

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| | <p>years helping others build success in the National Companies.</p> <p>John is survived by his wife of 11 years, Ammie , and their seven-year-old daughter, McKenzie, of Ozark, and his son, John Robert, age 15, of Spring Hill, La. John is also survived by his father, John Scott Sr. and stepmother, Kay Scott, of Bolivar; sisters, Reva Spencer and her husband, Randy, and Christy Jackson and her partner, Kim Graver, all of Osceola; and grandmother, Ruth Wilson and Sonny. Also surviving is mother and father in-law, Larry and Lena Ballard of Ozark; brother and sisters -in-law, Robert and Tiffany Ballard of Nixa, Donnie and Sherry Ballard of Pleasant Hope, Jeff and Marsha Ballard of Springfield, and Mike and Sheri Ballard of Nixa; as well as a host of aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews and cherished friends. John was preceded in death by is mother, Susan Tressler, and stepmother, Lena Scott.</p> <p>Visitation, a celebration of John's life, will be held Monday, September 4, 2006, from 6 to 8 p.m. in Greenlawn Funeral Home East. Services will be in Greenlawn East on Tuesday morning, September 5th at 10 a.m. Driving directions to Greenlawn East: Battlefield Road East from Hwy 65 to Blackman Road. Blackman Road North to Seminole, West on Seminole, to 3540, just north of Springfield Catholic High School. Burial services will follow immediately in Hopedale Cemetery, Ozark, Mo.</p> <p>In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to a college fund for John's children: the "John Scott's Children's College Fund" at Liberty Bank, Ozark, Mo.</p> <p>Source: Springfield News-Leader, Springfield, MO, Sept. 3, 2006, extracted August 22, 2007.</p> |
| <p>Scott, Timothy</p> | <p>Scott, Timothy "Tim," 46, Com-Tech technician, died Sunday, Feb. 15, 2004. The service is at 10 a.m. Wednesday, at Christ the King Church.</p> <p>Tim was born Jan. 30, 1958, son of Edna and Tom Scott. He graduated from Wichita West High School in 1976.</p> <p>In 1977, he joined the Army and was active duty and reservist until his honorable discharge in 2000. He served in Operation Desert Storm, Bosnia, Germany and Hungary. He received the Armed Forces Reserve Medal, Overseas Service Ribbon, Kuwait Liberation Medal, NATO Medal, Army Commendation Medal, National Defense Service Medal and the Bronze Service Star.</p> <p>His interests included marathon running, water skiing, music, swimming and fishing. He valued his friends and serving his country. His life demonstrated his Army values of loyalty, duty, respect, selfless-service, honor, integrity and personal courage.</p> <p>Survivors: mother, Edna Scott of Wichita; brothers, Tom of Leawood, Tony of Wichita, Ted of Louisville, KY; sister, Cathy Hess of Wichita; grandmother, Hazel Miller of Wichita. Resthaven Mortuary.</p> <p>Source: The Wichita Eagle, Wichita, KS, Feb. 17, 2004, extracted August 13, 2007.</p> |
| <p>Scribner, Kenneth W.</p> | <p>SCRIBNER, Kenneth W. "Scrib" Of Trenton, OH, had his loving family by his side when he went home to be with the Lord to join his brother, sister and grandparents on Saturday, June 30, 2007 at 8:40 AM. at Middletown Regional Hospital.</p> |

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| | <p>Ken retired from the U. S. Navy in 1996 after 20 years of service. He was in Iraq during Desert Storm in 1990 and 1991. He received several medals during his time in the Navy and traveled all over the world. He was "Sailor of the Month" on the USS Independence. He also served in Beirut, Lebanon in 1983 and helped with the release of 444 hostages. In 1983, he also served in Grenada.</p> <p>Ken was a member of Middletown Moose Lodge #501, was an avid Nascar fan, especially of Dale Earnhardt Sr. and Dale Earnhardt Jr.. He was a very special friend and person to all who knew him. After retiring from the Navy, he worked for Time Warner Cable for 11 years before his accident.</p> <p>He was preceded in death by brother, Robin Scribner in 2001, sister, Debbie Scribner in 1960, paternal grandparents, Chester and Mildred Scribner and maternal grandparents, Roy and Bethel Roman. Ken is survived by his sons, Joshua Scribner and fiancée, Stephanie House who are expecting Kenny's first grandchild, Chad Scribner and daughter, Tia Scribner all of Trenton, OH; his parents, Terrel and Bea Scribner of Trenton, OH; sisters, Sandi (Jack) Montgomery of Monroe, OH and Terri Inman of Trenton, OH who was his devoted caregiver since his auto accident in May of 2005; multitude of nieces and nephews and great nieces and nephews; his former wife, Rhonda Scribner who was also his best friend; an other best friend, Lora Wilson. He will be very much missed by everyone who knew and loved him.</p> <p>The family wishes to extend a special thank you to all the nurses and techs on Main B at Middletown Regional Hospital, the nurses and doctors in the ER Department, Vitas Hospice, Dr. Grandhi and Dr. Wadhwa for their care and support for Ken and his family.</p> <p>Visitation will be Thursday, July 5, 2007 from 5:00 to 8:00 pm at Baker-Stevens Funeral Home. The Celebration of Life services will be held on Friday, July 6, 2007 at 2:00pm at the funeral home. Interment will follow at Butler County Memorial Park.</p> <p>Memorial contribution may be made to the American Heart Assoc., P. O. Box 163549, Columbus, OH 43216-3549 or to the charity of your choice.</p> <p>Source: Middletown Journal, Middletown, OH, July 3, 2007, extracted September 28, 2007.</p> |
| Seaman, James D. | <p>James D. "Jim" Seaman Sr., 47, of Gassville passed away Thursday morning, March 8, 2007, in Madison, Wis. A funeral will be at 2 p.m. Friday at Twin Lakes Baptist Church with the Rev. Randy Moser and the Rev. Dr. Sam Bailey officiating. Visitation will be from noon-9 p.m. Thursday at Roller Funeral Home with family receiving friends from 5-7 p.m.</p> <p>He was born Nov. 7, 1959, on MacDill Air Force Base in Tampa, Fla., to John P. and Shirley Jane (Thomas) Seaman. Jim married Anita Acklin in Mountain Home Nov. 11, 1977.</p> <p>He served in the U.S. Navy and Reserves from 1979-2001. He was a Navy Seabee, earning two bronze stars and serving in Operation Desert Storm.</p> <p>Most recently, Jim served as plant manager for Cotter-Gassville Wastewater Treatment Plant. Along the way, he also owned Jim's Plumbing and was a fishing guide. Embracing the Seabee motto, "Can do," Jim was a master carpenter who built several homes. He was an avid fly fisherman and a</p> |

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| | <p>loving and devoted father and husband. Jim was a member of VFW Ozark Post 3246 and Twin Lakes Baptist Church.</p> <p>Jim is survived by his wife, Anita, of the home; daughter Amanda Michelle Seaman and son Jimmy Seaman Jr., both of Gassville; his parents, John and Shirley Seaman of Mountain Home; two sisters, Stacey Stone and Susan Freeman, both of Mountain Home, one brother, Todd Seaman of Jefferson City, Mo.; two nephews; four nieces; several cousins; and many friends.</p> <p>Burial with military honors will be at Gassville Cemetery. Pallbearers will be Tony Flippin, Tim Kelley, Leon Baker, James Huckabee, Rick Peglar and Joe Pallela. Honorary pallbearers will be John Weaver, Dennis Smith, Tom Nugen, Ron McQuay and Gary Flippin.</p> <p>Memorials may be made to Pulmonary Fibrosis Foundation, James D. Seaman Sr. Memorial Fund, 1332 N. Halsted St. Suite 201, Chicago, IL 60622. Arrangements are by Roller Funeral Home.</p> <p>Source: The Baxter Bulletin, Mountain Home, AR, Mar. 13, 2007, extracted Sep. 27, 2007</p> |
| Seay, John Robert | <p>John Robert Seay, 50, Humbolt, died Friday, Dec. 22, 2006, at his residence.</p> <p>The funeral will be held at 10 a.m. today at Sykes Funeral Chapel, with the Rev. David Fambrough and the Rev. Larry King officiating.</p> <p>Burial will be in Resthaven Memorial Gardens. Visitation will be from 9 to 10 a.m. today at Sykes Funeral Home. Sykes Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.</p> <p>He was born July 21, 1956, in Clarksville, to Martha Sanders Seay and the late Robert Earl Seay.</p> <p>He was retired from the U.S. Army, where he served in Operation Desert Storm. He also worked at the local co-op in Jackson. Mr. Seay was of the Baptist faith.</p> <p>In addition to his mother, he is survived by his wife, Teresa Kelley Seay, Humbolt; daughter, Alicia Carroll, Clarksville; brothers, Joel (Sheila) Seay, Clarksville, Rodney (Jan) Seay, Russellville; sister, Jennifer (Gene) King, Ashland City; three grandchildren, Courtney Carroll, Alissa Carroll, and Brandon Carroll; and several aunts, uncles, and cousins.</p> <p>Pallbearers will be active members of our military.</p> <p>Source: The Leaf-Chronicle, Clarksville, TN, Dec. 27, 2006, extracted August 25, 2007.</p> |
| Semeraro, Joseph X. | <p>Joseph X. Semeraro, age 38, passed away June 23, 2007.</p> <p>He was a proud graduate of The Ohio State University.</p> <p>Veteran of Desert Storm. Flight crew T/Sgt in the U.S. Air Force.</p> <p>Preceded in death by his father Richard. Joe will be sadly missed by his loving family, mom, Joyce; brothers, Paul, Rick Jr., John, Mike, Bobby, Bill, Jimmy, and Tom; sisters, Lisa, Elena, Marci, Melanie, Mary, and Teresa; niece, Sara.</p> <p>Friends may call 5-8 p.m. Tuesday at the HILL FUNERAL HOME, 220 S.</p> |

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| | <p>State St., Westerville. Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at St. Paul Catholic Church, 313 N. State St., Westerville. Interment Resurrection Cemetery.</p> <p>Source: The Columbus Dispatch, Columbus, OH, June 26, 2007, extracted September 26, 2007.</p> |
| <p>Shain, John W.</p> | <p>John W. "Bill" Shain, 80, of Festus, died Wednesday (July 14, 2004) at Jefferson Memorial Hospital in Crystal City.</p> <p>Mr. Shain was retired after working as regional sales manager for various food distributors. He was a member of Masonic Lodge 310 in Sikeston, Mo., a 32nd degree Mason, Scottish Rite Bodies of St. Louis and Moolah Shrine. He was a 1942 graduate of Sikeston High School.</p> <p>He served in the Army in World War II and was a member of American Legion Post 253.</p> <p>Visitation will be from 3 to 8 p.m. today at Vinyard Funeral Home, 616 West Main Street, Festus, and at 9 a.m. Tuesday at First United Methodist Church, 113 Grand Avenue, Festus-Crystal City. The funeral will be at 10 a.m. at the church. Burial will be at Rose Lawn Memorial Gardens in Crystal City.</p> <p>Among survivors are two daughters, Suzanne Collier of Mableton, Ga., and Patricia Nelle of Crystal City; a son, John W. Shain Jr. of Festus; two brothers, Brad Shain of Memphis, Tenn., and Tom Shain of Glendora, Calif.; and eight grandchildren.</p> <p>Source: St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis, MO, July 19, 2004, extracted August 13, 2007.</p> |
| <p>Shedlock, William R.</p> | <p>William R. Shedlock, of Plains Township, passed away, Friday evening, September 7, 2007, at his residence.</p> <p>Born in Plains Township, he was a son of the late Michael P. and Helen Wendrychowicz Shedlock. He was educated in the Plains Township schools and was a graduate of Plains Memorial High School, Class of 1968.</p> <p>He was a U.S. Air Force veteran, serving in Operation Desert Storm, where he attained the rank of staff sergeant.</p> <p>He was a member of SS. Peter & Paul Church, Plains.</p> <p>He was preceded in death by brother, John, who passed away in 1945.</p> <p>He is survived by a brother; Michael and his wife, Barbara, of Wilkes-Barre; sister, Johanna McGrady; nieces and nephews; an aunt.</p> <p>Funeral will be held at 9 a.m. Tuesday from the Michael J. Mikelski Funeral Home, 293 S. River St., Plains, with a Mass of Christian Burial to be celebrated at 9:30 a.m. in SS. Peter & Paul Church, Plains. Interment will be in the parish cemetery, Plains. Friends may call Monday from 6 to 9 p.m.</p> <p>In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations be made to the charity of the donor's choice.</p> <p>Source: The Times Leader, Wilkes Barre, PA, September 9, 2007, extracted</p> |

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| Shelby, Michael Taylor | <p>Michael Taylor Shelby, 47, passed away at his home on July 18, 2006, after a courageous battle with cancer.</p> <p>Michael was born on November 5, 1958, in Luling, Texas, and spent his early years in Houston, Texas. He was preceded in death by his beloved father, David Martin Shelby, M.D.</p> <p>He is survived by his loving wife of 23 years, Diana Jane Shelby; and his two precious daughters, Elizabeth Jane Shelby and Sarah Seay Shelby. He is also survived by his adoring mother, Marilyn Seay Shelby; brothers, Robert Seay Shelby and David Shelby, Jr.; sisters, Teena and Lisa Shelby; nieces, Bryanne Crow, Megan Shelby, Gabrielle Robison and Meredith Van Hooser; nephews, Andrew Shelby, Jeremy Crow and James Van Hooser; beloved father-in-law, Edd Van Hooser; and brother and sister-in-law, Stephen and Juli Van Hooser.</p> <p>Michael attended Texas A&M University on a debate scholarship and graduated in 1981 with a Bachelor of Science degree. He received his law degree in 1984 from the University of Texas School of Law, where he was the Chairman of the Board of Advocates. He was active in the Law School's competitive Moot Court program, and remains the only student ever to twice win the prestigious Hildebrand Moot Court Competition.</p> <p>While at the University of Texas School of Law, Michael met and married his soulmate, Diana Jane Van Hooser. Upon graduation the couple made their home in Houston where their two daughters - the greatest pleasures in Michael's life - were born.</p> <p>Michael worked for five years as an Assistant District Attorney at the Harris County District Attorney's Office, serving primarily in the Special Prosecutions Division. In 1989, he joined the United States Attorney's Office in Houston as an Assistant United States Attorney specializing in the investigation and prosecution of cases involving public corruption, organized crime, and environmental law. In 1997, the Shelbys moved to Phoenix, Arizona, where Michael continued his work as an Assistant United States Attorney specializing in the prosecution of corrupt public officials and international narcotics trafficking organizations. In early spring 2002, Michael was sworn in as the presidentially appointed United States Attorney for the Southern District of Texas.</p> <p>Among Michael's countless contributions and accomplishments while serving as the United States Attorney for the Southern District of Texas, was his creation of the Anti-Terrorism Advisory Council, which was used as the model throughout the country for other United States Attorneys. His love for and dedication to his work as a United States Attorney gave him tremendous personal and professional pride and satisfaction.</p> <p>Michael was the recipient of the Department of Justice Director's Award and received numerous commendations from the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the U. S. Drug Enforcement Administration, the U. S. Customs Service, the Environmental Protection Agency, the Internal Revenue Service, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration and numerous state and local law enforcement agencies. He also received personal letters of commendation from Attorney General Janet Reno and FBI Directors Louis Freeh and William Sessions. He routinely served as an instructor for the FBI, DEA and the Department's National Advocacy Center, where he taught Advocacy skills to fellow prosecutors.</p> |

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| | <p>In June, 2005, Michael was honored to become a full partner at Fulbright & Jaworski, L.L.P., a firm he had admired and respected throughout his legal career. He often stated that Leon Jaworski's stellar litigation career and integrity inspired him to strive for excellence in the law. While at Fulbright & Jaworski, Michael was made to feel a part of a large and supportive family, for which he was profoundly grateful, especially during the last months of his life.</p> <p>Michael was a Commissioned Officer in the United States Naval Reserve, and held the rank of Commander. He was a decorated veteran with active duty service in the Middle East during Operation Desert Storm and most recently, Bosnia.</p> <p>Michael was blessed with a lust for life. He was fearless in all he undertook. He was an example to all who knew him of living each moment of life to the fullest. He felt strongly and shared often with all those around him the belief that the most precious gift in life is the gift of time.</p> <p>Michael's time was remarkable and extraordinary. He was an expert sky diver, an accomplished snow and water skier, a mountain climber, a marathon runner, and an award winning screenplay writer. He was a humorist, poet, lover of all styles of music and art, and an adventurous world traveler. Above all, Michael aspired to be a righteous man. To his family and friends and to all who knew him, he leaves a legacy of strength, love, humor and integrity. He was frequently heard singing these words from Green Day: "So make the best of this test, and don't ask 'why?'" It's not a question, but a lesson learned in time. It's something unpredictable but in the end it's right. I hope you had the time of your life."</p> <p>He did.</p> <p>A celebration of Michael's life will be held at The Foundry United Methodist Church, 8350 Jones Road, Houston, Texas 77065 at 4:00 p.m., on Friday, July 21, 2006.</p> <p>Pallbearers include Robert Shelby, Mark Reynolds, Joe Porto, Toby Shook, Terry Clark, and Don DeGabrielle. Honorary Pallbearers include Andrew Shelby, Jeremy Crow, Stephen Van Hooser, James Van Hooser, Hank Domeraki, Tom Garner, Nancy Herrera, Jose Flores, Ron Cutlip, Michael's partners at Fulbright and Jaworski, and the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Texas.</p> <p>The family requests that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to Foundry Student Ministries, 8350 Jones Road, Houston, Texas 77065, or to the charity of choice.</p> <p>Source: The Victoria Advocate, Victoria, TX, July 21, 2006, extracted September 23, 2007.</p> |
| Shelley, Ronnie | <p>Spc. Ronnie "Rod" Shelley: coming Home, going home, midstate families honor 48th Brigade soldiers. Love for a soldier manifested with tears and tissues Saturday in a small country church in Twiggs County and with barbecue and bear hugs in the green fields of south Houston County.</p> <p>With the strains of "Amazing Graze" on harmonica and guitar inside the Friendship Baptist Church, the family of Spc. Ronnie "Rod" Shelley paid tribute to the 34-year-old father of three who was killed in a roadside bomb July 30 while serving with the 48th Brigade in Baghdad, Iraq.</p> <p>In the shade of a towering tree loaded with green-shelled pecans, Alex</p> |

French IV sunk his teeth into a goat rib fresh from the grill. "That's what I love," said French, a member of the 48th Brigade who is about 10 days into his 15-day leave. Goat meat is his favorite and was on the menu along with chicken and hot dogs outside French's grandfather's house in Grovania. Both men drew a crowd of about 75 friends and family members coming to express their love for their soldiers.

Shelley was buried Aug. 14 with full military honors in Sunset Cemetery in Valdosta, but Ethel Shelley wanted to hold a memorial service for her son in the family church. "It's just a simple little old church out in the country, but we're simple people," Ethel Shelley said just before heading to the service. Simple people who are coping with the difficult duty of losing a loved one to war. It's a blended family but with too much love to ever think of putting the word "step" in front of brother or sister, said Ethel Shelley, who was married to Rod's late father. The slain soldier's uncle, the Rev. Charles Carter, presided over the service and read from the book of Ephesians. "We wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of darkness in this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places," Carter read.

To cope with the August heat, people in the pews waved cardboard fans picturing a bald eagle in flight in front of an unfurling American flag. "Beloved, we need to take a stand for what's right," Carter said. "Rod was in Iraq because he took a stand for freedom." Carter told friends and family to keep Shelley's memory alive by honoring his sacrifice and not turning bitter or cynical over his death. "Since his life was snuffed out at an early age, we must live for him and carry out his dreams," Carter said. For French, the hardest part of serving in the 48th Brigade is seeing the caskets of his comrades. "I think everybody in America needs to get a piece of Iraq to get their lives straight and their priorities straight," said French, who works for the Bibb County Sheriff's Office. While serving in the endless sea of sand, he's come to appreciate the lush grass around the family home while he's learned to let the little things go. "The small things people think are a burden, they wouldn't even think of over there," he said. French made it home in time for his twins' first birthday Aug. 16. The USO made a big splash at the airport, which made him feel good, he said.

He's impressed by the number of yellow ribbons and stickers he sees on cars in support of the troops, but he hopes people really put some substance behind the slogans. While home, he's been avoiding the news so he can truly enjoy his vacation, he said. Some folks have told him he's fighting a stupid war, something he said he'd prefer people would keep to themselves if they haven't walked in his boots.

Shelley, a Desert Storm veteran, joined the Georgia Army National Guard days after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. "I feel he died for something he believed because he definitely died for something I believed in," said Robert Newbern, Shelley's brother. Newbern's said his feelings about the war haven't changed since his brother's death. He said he believes President Bush's action is necessary to prevent an attack on U.S. soil. "It happened with Pearl Harbor. It happened with September 11 and I don't want it to happen again," Newbern said.

At French's barbecue, his family was also celebrating two of his cousins, one who completed a tour with the U.S. Navy in Iraq in December, and another who is currently with the 48th Brigade and is due home for leave later this month. French leaves Friday to return to Baghdad. "I'm staying on

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| | <p>my knees praying asking the Lord to bring him back home," said Earl Rawls, French's grandfather. For French, serving in the 48th Brigade is his way of preserving his life here at home. He wants his children to have the freedom to play on the same fields where he grew up.</p> <p>"If you don't go over and do this, they won't be able to have stuff like this," French said gesturing to the clusters of people at the family barbecue. He said he doesn't spend much time thinking about the danger and the possibility he won't come back. Instead, he'll be thinking about barbecue ribs and the family he loves. "The whole time I'm over there, I'm thinking about coming back for another gathering like this."</p> <p>Source: The Macon Telegraph, Macon, GA, Aug. 21, 2005, extracted Sep. 19, 2007</p> |
| Sheppard, Gary W. | <p>I am gone. My soul lives on, but in a better place; surrounded by the light of God in all His glory and grace.</p> <p>Gary W. Sheppard, 48, of South Charleston, departed suddenly on November 16, 2006, of an apparent heart attack. Gary was a graduate of Point Pleasant Christian Academy. He was a 12-year veteran of the U.S. Army, which included a tour of duty in Operation Desert Storm, where he served as an Army medic. After serving in the Army, he was an independent trucker.</p> <p>Gary was born on September 25, 1958, the third child of the late Holley L. "Jack" and Geneva "Hope" Runion Sheppard.</p> <p>Surviving are his beloved wife, Carol Sheppard; children, Marsha, Kandra, Carolyn and Gary W. II; stepchildren, Debbie McKinney and husband, Mike, Billy Morris and wife Tammy, and Dewayne Morris; several grandchildren; nieces and nephews; one great-grandchild; sister, Pat Roberts and companion Roger Province; and brother, Randy Sheppard and wife Mary.</p> <p>The service will be 2 p.m. Monday, November 20, 2006, at Curry Funeral Home, Alum Creek, with Pastor Gene Pauley officiating. Burial will be in Graceland Memorial Park, South Charleston, with military graveside rites by Benny Padilla VFW Post 4768.</p> <p>Friends may call one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.</p> <p>Source: Charleston Gazette, Charleston, WV, Nov. 19, 2006, extracted August 22, 2007.</p> |
| Shropshire, David Dean | <p>PEORIA - David Dean Shropshire, 38, of Edwards, formerly of Peoria, passed away at 1:33 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 20, 2006, at home with his family after a 2 1/2 year battle with metastatic esophageal cancer.</p> <p>David was born July 31, 1968, in Ventura, Calif., the son of Boyd David and Peggy Gebhardt Shropshire. He married Cynthia (Clausen) Shropshire, M.D., on June 10, 2004, in Lake Tahoe, Nev. She survives.</p> <p>David is also survived by his daughter, Haley Lynn Shropshire, 13, of Peoria; two sons, Michael Brandon, 18, and David Blake Shropshire, 19, both of Creve Coeur father, Boyd David (Karen) Shropshire of Farmington; mother, Peggy (Jim) Marrs of Peoria; two brothers, Kenneth (Lois) Shropshire and Jerry Marrs, both of Peoria; two sisters, April Moore and Marjorie Marrs, both of Pekin; and his paternal grandmother, Josie Shropshire of Stigler, Okla. Multiple loving members of his extended family also survive.</p> |

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| | <p>His paternal grandfather, Oscar Shropshire; and maternal grandparents, Marjorie and Delmer Gebhardt, preceded him in death.</p> <p>David was an electrician for Jerry Horn Electric in Peoria and was formerly a truck driver for WKP, O'Brien Steel, city of West Peoria, Prairie Farms and Brinks Armored Cars.</p> <p>David attended Universalist Unitarian Church of Peoria with his wife Cindy.</p> <p>He loved his family and children and was deeply loved by them in return. His motorcycle was his second love.</p> <p>David served in the U.S. Army, with the European Command (EUCOM) from Feb. 25, 1987, until April 6, 1991, as a mortar infantryman. His military career included tours in Germany, where he served as a border guard and was present for the fall of the Berlin Wall. During Desert Storm he was a member of the 2nd Brigade, 1st Armor Division in Saudi Arabia. David's platoon was one of the leading coalition forces that entered Iraq and was credited with destroying an Iraqi Republican Guard artillery unit that had stopped the progress of a U.S. tank battalion.</p> <p>Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 27, 2006, at the Universalist Unitarian Church of Peoria, 3000 W. Richwoods Blvd., with the Rev. Michael W. Brown officiating. Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the church. Interment will be at Camp Butler National Cemetery in Springfield, with military honors by the Inter Veterans Burial Detail of Sangamon County.</p> <p>In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the David Shropshire Children's Educational Fund at Morton Community Bank.</p> <p>Arrangements are entrusted to Clary Funeral Consultants in Peoria.</p> <p>Source: The Peoria Journal Star, Dec. 22, 2006, extracted September 23, 2007.</p> |
| <p>Shupp, Dale K.</p> | <p>Dale K. Shupp, 53, of Upland, Pa., died Monday, August 20, 2007, at Christiana Hospital in Delaware. He was the husband of Jacki Engler Shupp.</p> <p>Born in Reading on April 27, 1954, he was the son of Donald Shupp of Palmyra and the late Dolores Shaffer Shupp. He was a transportation supervisor with the VA Administration in Delaware. He was an avid car enthusiast and dog lover.</p> <p>He was a U.S. Air Force veteran of Desert Storm attaining the rank of master sergeant.</p> <p>Surviving in addition to his wife and father are a brother Dana R., husband of Karen Shupp of Magnolia, N.J.; stepmother Arlene Reed Shupp of Palmyra; and several nieces and nephews.</p> <p>Funeral services will be held Monday, August 27, at 12:30 p.m. from the Community Bible Church, 1849 S. Forge Road, Palmyra. Interment will be private. No Viewing. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service at the church.</p> <p>In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in Dale's name to Helen Graham Cancer Center, 4701 Ogletown-Stanton Road, Newark, DE 19713.</p> |

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| | <p>Source: The Daily News, Lebanon, PA, August 24, 2007, extracted September 28, 2007.</p> |
| <p>Sierra, Albert V.</p> | <p>On the beautiful evening of Saturday, Aug. 11, 2007, with broken hearts we said goodbye to our beloved dad, grandfather, brother, husband and hero, Albert Sierra. His guardian angels came for him and took him by the hands and lifted him home as the beautiful gates of heaven opened up for him.</p> <p>Dad was 71 years old. He was born Feb. 15, 1936, in Ysleta, Texas.</p> <p>Dad began serving in the U.S. Army as a paratrooper in the 101st Airborne at the age of 17. At the age of 54 he served our country in Saudi Arabia for Operation Desert Storm in the U.S. Air Force as an air-vac medic. Serving six years in active duty and 22 years in Air Force Reserves, he retired as a technical staff sergeant. He retired from civil service at Point Mugu as an electronic technician.</p> <p>Dad leaves his loving wife, Nellie Sierra; children, Terry Sierra Quinones (husband Larry), Albert Sierra Jr., Linda Sierra, Sandy Frescas (husband Bobby) and Jack Sierra; grandchildren, Frank-Albert Quinones, Kristina Marie Quinones, Albert Sierra III, Angela Sierra, Christopher Hernandez, Mark Frutos, Angela Frutos, Roy Martinez Jr., Joseph Munoz, Vida Frescas, Naomi Frescas and Bobby Frescas Jr.; four great-grandchildren; sister, Gloria Boykin of Harlingen, Texas; brother, "Indian Joe" Sierra of El Paso, Texas; brother, Arthur Sierra of Palmdale, Calif.; brothers-in-law, Easy Contreras and Fred Contreras; and all his nieces and nephews.</p> <p>Dad is also survived by his lifelong buddy, Bob Dugan. Bob, thank you for all the wonderful memories, the awesome barbecues with our dad and for all the candy treats for us "little varmints."</p> <p>Mom, with the deepest gratitude your children thank you for the tender loving care you gave our dad. You are the epitome of a loving wife. You were Dad's angel here on earth.</p> <p>Dad, thank you for your warrior spirit. What you taught us will forever consume our hearts. Your strong work ethic, your "never give up" attitude and your determination for education is the gift of a legacy for all of us. Wait for us, Dad.</p> <p>True to our dad's Indian heritage we have the honor of our uncle, "Indian Joe" Sierra and our cousin "Little Joe" Sierra privately performing a Tigue Indian cleansing ritual prior to the rosary recital.</p> <p>Rosary will be recited at 7 p.m. today, Aug. 16, at Conejo Mountain Funeral Home, 2052 Howard Road, Camarillo. A funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, Aug. 17, at St. Mary Magdalen Church at the corner of Crestview Avenue and Las Posas Road in Camarillo. A burial service will follow at Conejo Mountain Funeral Home.</p> <p>Source: Ventura County Star, CA, August 16, 2007, extracted September 28, 2007.</p> |
| <p>Sikes, Arthur Duke Jr.</p> | <p>Brigadier General, Retired, Arthur Duke Sikes, Jr. died on June 2, 2007 in Dallas, TX.</p> <p>Funeral: Services will be held at Moore Bowen Road Chapel at 11 a.m. on</p> |

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| | <p>Monday. Burial will take place with full military honors at Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington, VA. Memorials:</p> <p>Donations may be made to The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center for the lung cancer research of John D. Minna, M.D. or to the Air Force Memorial in Washington, DC.</p> <p>Sikes was born in Chincoteague, VA, in 1947, to Duke and Faye Sikes. He earned a Bachelor of Arts in Economics from San Diego State University in 1969 and a Master's degree in public administration from Auburn University in 1982.</p> <p>Sikes entered the U.S. Air Force and was commissioned in 1969 as a distinguished graduate of the Reserve Officer Training Corps program at San Diego State University. A career intelligence officer, he served in command and staff positions in the United States and six allied nations (England, Turkey, Thailand, South Korea, Italy, and West Germany), including key leadership jobs with the TR-1 and U-2 programs in Europe and Korea. He supported combat operations while serving in Thailand during Linebacker II, and as director of intelligence, Joint Task Force Proven Force, during Operation Desert Storm. He also participated in NATO peace enforcement operations in Bosnia as director of intelligence, implementation force and stabilization force.</p> <p>Sikes' major awards, decorations, and achievements included the Defense Distinguished Service Medal, Defense Superior Service Medal with oak leaf cluster, Legion of Merit with oak leaf cluster, Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal with six oak leaf clusters, the Air Force Commendation Medal, and the National Intelligence Distinguished Service Medal from the Central Intelligence Agency. Sikes was promoted to Brigadier General in 1995, and he retired from the U.S. Air Force in 1999.</p> <p>Survivors: He is survived by his loving wife, Nancy; sister and brother-in-law, Marilyn and Jeff Saams; two nieces, Lauren Saams and Kim Chapman; one nephew, David Saams; and stepmother, Mildred Sikes. Dignity Moore Bowen Road 4216 S. Bowen Rd. Arlington (817) 468-8111</p> <p>Source: The Dallas Morning News, June 10, 2007, extracted September 26, 2007.</p> |
| <p>Silva, Joseph Phillip</p> | <p>Joseph "Joe" Phillip Silva, 35, was taken away so soon and unexpectedly February 16, 2006.</p> <p>Mr. Silva, beloved husband, father, and son is survived by his wife, Sandra K. Silva; daughter, Brianna M. C. Silva; brother, Richard R. Silva II; stepson, Louie M. Romero; mother, Mary M. Silva and husband, Michael; father, Richard Silva and wife, Maryann; many nieces and nephews; stepbrothers and sisters; sisters-in-law, Shelly, Pamela, and Trish Romero.</p> <p>Joe was a highly decorated combat Veteran of Desert Storm and received the Bronze Star.</p> <p>A Rosary will be recited on Wednesday, February 22, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Joseph's on the Rio Grand. A Memorial Mass will be held on Thursday, February, 23, 2006 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Josephs on the Rio Grand with full military Honors. Interment will follow at Mt. Calvary Cemetery. A Reception will be held at St. Clair's Hall at the Arch Diocese of Santa Fe on St. Joseph's Dr. Honorary pallbearers will be Trish Romero and Joseph "Joe 2" Chavez.</p> |

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| | <p>A trust fund has been set up for Brianna Silva; donations can be made at the U.S. New Mexico Federal Credit Union. Arrangements by: Salazar & Sons Mortuary 400 Third St. SW 247-4124</p> <p>Source: Albuquerque Journal, Albuquerque, NM, Feb. 21, 2006, extracted August 24, 2007.</p> |
| Sinagra, Ciro F. | <p>Ciro F. Sinagra, 58, of Wolfeboro, N.H., died suddenly on Saturday, Sept. 2, 2006, at Huggins Hospital in Wolfeboro.</p> <p>Ciro was born in New Brunswick on June 21, 1948, son of Ciro S. and Rosina (LaDuca) Sinagra. He grew up in North Brunswick and lived many years in Milltown prior to moving to Wolfeboro in 2000.</p> <p>He served 22 years of military service, serving a tour in 1967 in Vietnam with the Marines as a helicopter gunner, a tour with the Coast Guard in Desert Storm, and later with the Coast Guard Reserve he was activated to help at Ground Zero in New York. Ciro worked as a Milltown Police Officer from 1972-1983; from 1983-1987 he was assistant director of the Police Academy in Middlesex County; and from 1987-1998 he was county investigator with the Middlesex County Prosecutor's Office.</p> <p>He was the general manager at a Harley Davidson dealership in Edison; a motorcycle safety instructor in New Jersey; a patrolman for the Alton, N.H. Police Department; a corporal in the Barnstead, N.H., Police Department; and most recently he was a patrolman in the Wolfeboro Police Department. He also was a New Hampshire Marine Patrol Officer for a year and he was a capable mechanic working with Sal at Sal's Advanced Auto in Wolfeboro.</p> <p>At a Policemen's Benevolent Association meeting in Middlesex County, Ciro chose to raise money for the Child Life Program by riding his motorcycle cross country, collecting \$1.00 donations for every mile he rode. In Barnstead, N.H., he donated a scholarship for students to visit Ground Zero.</p> <p>He was a tractor and motorcycle enthusiast and was always willing to help friends and neighbors with his tractors.</p> <p>Survivors include his wife, Silke Psula of Wolfeboro, N.H.; his mother and father, Ciro S. and Rosina (Laduca) Sinagra of Marryville, Tenn.; a daughter, Dawn of New Jersey; a brother, Joe S. Sinagra of Helmetta; two sisters, Mary Fama of Milltown and Julie Beerli of Andrews, N.C.; two grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.</p> <p>A second service will be held from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 9, 2006, at the American Legion Joyce Kilmer Post, 4 John F. Kennedy Drive, Milltown.</p> <p>In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Cancer Society or your local Police Association.</p> <p>Source: Home News Tribune, East Brunswick, NJ, Sept. 7, 2006, extracted August 24, 2007.</p> |
| Sinclair, Cecil Howard | <p>ARLINGTON - Cecil Howard Sinclair of Arlington departed this earthly life Monday, Aug. 6, 2007, at the age of 46, surrounded by his loving family. He died of complications following the successful implantation of a device that would have bridged him to a heart transplant. His body was donated to science.</p> |

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| | <p>His hope was that this would somehow help someone else who faced the same challenges.</p> <p>Memorial service: His life will be celebrated at 6 p.m. Thursday in the Grand Theatre at High Point Church, 2500 E. Arbrook, Arlington, with visitation and nourishment afterward.</p> <p>Cecil Howard Sinclair was born in Fort Worth and grew up in Tarrant County. He graduated from Sam Houston High School in Arlington in 1979 and later from Stephen F. Austin State University.</p> <p>He proudly served in the U.S. Navy and was a veteran of Desert Storm. He later found a place of harmony as a member of the Turtle Creek Chorale.</p> <p>Survivors: His life partner, Paul Wagner; his mother, Eva Bowers; his father and stepmother, Walter Lee and Pat Sinclair; his brothers, Walter Lee Sinclair Jr. and John Edward Sinclair; his sister, Kathleen Wright; their families; and a large extended family.</p> <p>Source: Fort Worth Star-Telegram, Fort Worth, TX, August 8, 2007, extracted September 28, 2007.</p> |
| Slaymaker, Robert Lynn | <p>HOMELAND -- ROBERTA LYNN SLAYMAKER "BERT" Roberta Lynn Slaymaker was born in Warsaw, Indiana on December 17, 1962. Roberta, known to her friends as "Bert", died in her home near Romoland, California on July 14, 2007, a few short weeks after being diagnosed with pancreatic cancer.</p> <p>Roberta graduated from Whitko High School in June of 1981.</p> <p>Two weeks later, she enlisted in the United States Air Force to train in law enforcement. Roberta was assigned to March Air Force Base where she honorably discharged after four years at the rank of Staff Sergeant. She continued her service as a Reserve and served in Desert Storm.</p> <p>On January 5, 1990, Roberta was hired by Riverside County Sheriff's Department as a Deputy Sheriff and soon became a K-9 Handler. After many years of competing in K-9 competitions mostly in Northern California, Roberta helped to form the Annual Riverside County Police K-9 competition in 1996. She was also a member of the Riverside County Sheriff's Posse and Mounted Enforcement Detail. Roberta's love for working with dogs and horses led her to being a member of the Santa Ana Back Country Horsemen.</p> <p>Surviving family is Roberta's father, Wayne Slaymaker, from Warsaw, Indiana. Her mother, Doris Ann Slaymaker, from Sun City, California. And her two brothers, Roy Slaymaker, from Columbus, Ohio, and Sam Slaymaker, from Warsaw, Indiana. She will be missed. Arrangements Entrusted To The Care Of: (951) 658-3161</p> <p>Source: The Press-Enterprise, Riverside CA, August 1, 2007, extracted September 28, 2007.</p> |
| Slear, Elizabeth Ann | <p>MYRTLE BEACH, S.C. - Elizabeth Ann (Kent) Slear, 55, died March 20 after an eight-year battle with breast cancer. She was the wife of Michael W. Slear for 31 years.</p> <p>Mrs. Slear was the daughter of Thomas F. and Mary Louise (Horton) Kent Jr. of North Eastham. She was raised in North Easton. She graduated from Oliver Ames School in North Easton in 1969, where she was active in sports and</p> |

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| | <p>school activities. She spent summers in North Eastham.</p> <p>She obtained a degree in nursing from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst. She finished her last two years at UMass, while enlisted in the Navy ROTC program, and graduated as an officer in the Navy.</p> <p>Her military career included active duty during the Vietnam era, helping with the Vietnam evacuation in Guam in 1975, and the Naval Reserves during Desert Storm, retiring as a lieutenant commander in 1999.</p> <p>Mrs. Slear was a registered nurse with Primary Medical Associates of Surf Side Beach in Myrtle Beach for 28 years. She was active in the Myrtle Beach Church of Christ, as the Ladies' Bible Study teacher for more than 10 years. She enjoyed making quilts, sailing and boating with her family and friends on the Intercoastal Waterway.</p> <p>Besides her husband and parents, she is survived by her children, Dale Thomas Slear of Charleston, S.C., Lt. Carly Ann DaCosta of Anchorage, Alaska; two sisters, Frances L. Higgins of Orleans, Maureen K. Goheen of Wellesley; two brothers, Thomas M. Kent of Lakeville, Dana F. Kent of Cheshire, Conn., and many nieces and nephews.</p> <p>A memorial service was held March 23 in Myrtle Beach. Memorial donations may be made to Myrtle Beach Church of Christ, 4500 Wild Iris Drive, Myrtle Beach, S.C. 29577 or Mercy Hospice, P.O. Box 50640, Myrtle Beach, S.C. 29577.</p> <p>Source: The Cape Codder, Orleans, MA, April 6, 2007, extracted September 23, 2007.</p> |
| <p>Smith, Bradley E.</p> | <p>SMITH, Bradley E. Colonel United States Army died July 20th at Walter Reed Army Medical Center ten days before retiring from a 30 year career.</p> <p>His service included Desert Storm (1990-91), Vigilant Warrior (1994), Commander 11th BN, Ft Story (1994-96), Commander 7th Trans. Group, Ft. Eustis (1999-01), Operation Iraqi Freedom 2003-04) and lastly as Liaison officer to the Joint Staff at the Pentagon. He was on duty at the Pentagon on 9-11 and assisted in the evacuation of the injured.</p> <p>He is survived by wife Debra and son David of Fairfax, Va., an older brother Michael of Hampton, Val, and father Dr. David Smith of Springfield, Ohio. His mother and younger sister preceded him in death.</p> <p>Burial will be at Arlington National Cemetery with full honor guard and a motorcycle escort to Arlington will be provided by the Fairfax County Police Department. As a member of the Fairfax County Auxiliary Police he had received an honorary service award in April.</p> <p>His long ambition to hike the Appalachian Trail was begun in 2006. Brad's goal was to raise funds for scholarships for the undergraduate education of children of all uniformed military personnel who have died while in active service.</p> <p>Pledges and donations for every mile he hiked were made by companies and individuals to the American Patriot Scholarship Fund. All administrative costs are borne by the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA), a tax exempt public charity.</p> |

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| | <p>Memorials may be made to "Brad Smith's Hike" c/o Mrs. Cindy Amos, Development Officer, American Patriot Scholarships, Dept. 889, Alexandria, Va. 22334-0889 or a charity of your choice.</p> <p>Source: Springfield News-Sun, Springfield, OH, July 25, 2007, extracted September 28, 2007.</p> |
| Smith, Clay D | <p>Smith, Clay D.</p> <p>Capt. Clay D. Smith, a Tampa native who was making the Air Force a career, has died in a plane crash on a training fight in Colorado. He was 28.</p> <p>Stationed at the Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Capt. Smith and a student pilot, Cadet First Class Dennis P. Rando, were killed Sept. 30 when their T3 "'Firefly" trainer crashed near Calhan, Colo.</p> <p>The Air Force is investigating, said his mother, Francia B. Smith of St. Petersburg, who returned Monday from the funeral in Colorado.</p> <p>Clay Daniel Smith, a graduate of Tampa's Jesuit High School, received his Air Force commission with the 1989 academy class.</p> <p>During the U.S. involvement in Somalia, Capt. Smith flew the plane that returned to Germany Chief Warrant Officer Michael Durant, a helicopter pilot who was captured during the battle in Mogadishu and held for 11 days, his mother said.</p> <p>He also was a veteran of Operation Desert Storm and served at Reese Air Force Base in Texas and McGuire Air Force Base in New Jersey.</p> <p>In addition to his mother, an environmental education resource teacher for Pinellas County Schools at Sawgrass Lake Park, Capt. Smith is survived by his wife, Air Force Capt. Beth Smith; his father, Dr. Charles D. Smith, a professor of education at the University of South Florida in Tampa; and two brothers, Navy Lt. Jed, a flight instructor at Pensacola Naval Air Station, and Kyle, Amarillo, Texas.</p> <p>Burial was on the academy grounds.</p> <p>The family suggested memorial contributions be sent to the Clay Smith Memorial College Fund, Key Bank, Colorado Springs, for his unborn child.</p> <p>Source: St. Petersburg Times, St. Petersburg, FL, Oct. 9, 1996, extracted June 21, 2007.</p> |
| Smith, Daniel Lee | <p>Smith, Daniel Lee</p> <p>Mr. Daniel Lee Smith 33, died Tuesday, July 24, 2001 at the VA Medical Center in Asheville, NC.</p> <p>Born November 17, 1967 in Seoul, South Korea, he is the beloved son of George B. and Ruth C. Smith of Hilton Head Island, SC. he was educated at Timothy Christian School, Piscataway, NJ and in Edison, NJ public schools. He graduated from J.P. Stevens High School, Edison, NJ. He held various management positions in the food service business in the Charlotte area.</p> <p>A veteran of the U.S. Army, he served during Desert Storm and received the</p> |

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| | <p>National Defense Service Medal, the Kuwait Liberation Medal, and the Southwest Asia Service Medal with 3 Bronze stars and the Bronze Star Medal.</p> <p>In addition to his parents, he is survived by his son, Michael Smith of Charlotte, NC, brothers and sisters-in-law: Scott and Heidi Smith of Edison, NJ; Brian and Nancy Smith of South Hamilton, MA; Steven Smith of Bound Brook, NJ; and his sisters, Aimee Smith of San Luis Obispo, CA and Jennifer Smith of Seattle, WA; four nieces and nephews.</p> <p>Graveside service will be conducted at 10:00 a.m.-Monday, July 30, 2001 at the U.S. National Cemetery (Statesville Blvd. Location) with VA Chaplain Fleming Otey officiating. Military graveside rites will be conducted by the Rowan Veterans Council. The family will receive friends Sunday from 7-8:00 p.m. at the Summersett Funeral Home in Salisbury, NC.</p> <p>In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be sent to: VA Medical Center, Unearmarked Fund. c/o Volunteer Services, Asheville, NC 28805.</p> <p>Source: The Charlotte Observer, Charlotte, NC, Jul. 29, 2001, extracted Jun. 2, 2007</p> |
| Smith, David | <p>Smith, David</p> <p>SMITH, David, 55, of Holston Terrace Drive, Rogersville, Tenn., passed away Sunday, January 4, 1998 at Lakeway Regional Hospital in Morristown following a brief illness. Mr. Smith was retired from Virginia National Guard, was a veteran of the Desert Storm Conflict and was employed by the First Tennessee Human Resource Agency. He was a member of the American Legion Hammond Post #21 of Rogersville. Mr. Smith was preceded in death by his brother, L. C. Smith. He is survived by his wife, Wanda Smith of the home; daughter, Sherry Call, Saltville; son, David Wayne Smith, Florida; two grandchildren, Ashley and Christopher Call, Saltville; parents, Tivis and Ruth Smith of Saltville; two sisters, Marilyn Armstrong, Radford and Mildred Surber, Saltville; four brothers, Don Smith, Kingsport, Tenn., Ed Smith, Matthews, N.C., Earl Smith, Wytheville, Howard Smith, Johnson City, Tenn.; several nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be held at 8 p.m. Wednesday, January 7, 1998 at Colboch-Price Chapel, with the Rev. Barry Rackley and the Rev. John Parrott, Jr. officiating. Military graveside services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, January 8, 1998 at Mount Rose Cemetery in Glade Springs, Va. The family will receive friends from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday prior to the services at Colboch-Price Funeral Home in Rogersville.</p> <p>Source: The Roanoke Times, Roanoke, VA, Jan. 7, 1998, extracted June 25, 2007.</p> |
| Smith, David L. | <p>Smith, David L.</p> <p>David L. Smith, 33, of St. Peters, died Thursday (March 23, 1995) at Barnes St. Peters Hospital in St. Peters. He was electrocuted while working on a utility pole.</p> <p>Mr. Smith was a lineman for seven years for Union Electric Co. in St. Charles. He served in the Army in Desert Storm.</p> <p>A funeral service was scheduled for 10 a.m. Monday at the First Baptist Church, 315 Circle Drive, St. Peters. Burial will be at St. Charles Memorial Gardens, 3950 West Clay St., St. Charles.</p> |

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| | <p>Among survivors are his wife, Sherry L. Smith of St. Peters; three sons, Lucas Smith, Justin Storie and David Laurence Smith Jr., all of St. Peters; two daughters, Jennifer Spiller and Hayley Smith, both of St. Peters; his parents, Glenn and Marjorie Smith of Creve Coeur; three brothers, Kenneth Smith of South Bend, Ind., Dale Smith of Columbia, Mo., and Steven Smith of Webster Groves; and a sister, Christine Ross of Richmond Heights.</p> <p>Source: St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis, MO, March 27, 1995, extracted June 16, 2007.</p> |
| <p>Smith, Don "Smitty"</p> | <p>Don "Smitty" Smith, 60, of Uniontown died Monday, Aug. 14, 2006, in a local hospital. He was a U.S. Army veteran of the Gulf War, having served in operation Desert Storm, and a member of the 142nd Division of the National Guard for 25 years. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge in Uniontown. He was preceded in death by his parents, George Lee and Lillian Bryant Smith; one sister, Delois Waits; and one brother, Ray Lee Smith. He was a resident of Uniontown for the past 12 years.</p> <p>Funeral service will be 10 a.m. today at Ocker Memorial Chapel in Van Buren with burial at U.S. National Cemetery with full military honors under the direction of Ocker Funeral Home of Van Buren.</p> <p>He is survived by his wife, Trudy Smith of the home; four daughters, Emily Smith of Uniontown, Loretta Morisette of Maine, Linda Spencer and Nona Kramer, both of Van Buren; two sons, Aaron Lanning of Cedarville and Jesse Smith of Van Buren; three sisters, Joyce Cornett of St. Paul, Retha Cook of Bixby, Okla., and Dianne Barrett of Springdale; a brother, Gerald Smith of Greenland; and one grandchild, Rylee Lanning.</p> <p>Pallbearers: Barron and John Vic Small, Matthew Moses, Jerry Kennedy, Tim Lesley and Frank Cameron.</p> <p>Source: Southwest Times Record, Fort Smith, AR, Aug. 19, 2006.</p> |
| <p>Smith, Donald Lee</p> | <p>Donald Lee Smith, 51, of Edmonton died Feb. 22, 2007, in Edmonton. The Flora, Ind., native was a barber in Edmonton, a Baptist.</p> <p>He was a retired Navy veteran, receiving the Humanitarian Award in Desert Storm.</p> <p>He was a son of Donald H. Smith of Hardyville, who survives, and the late Mary Myrtle Kenny Smith.</p> <p>Funeral is at noon Monday at Winn Funeral Home, with burial in Pleasant Grove Cemetery. Visitation begins at 10:30 a.m. Monday at the funeral home.</p> <p>Other survivors include three sisters, Judy Dean of Louisville, Shirley McCamish of Winchester and Susan Morrison of Jacksonville, N.C.; two uncles, Glenn Smith of Hardyville and Henderson Moulden of Horse Cave; and several nieces and nephews.</p> <p>Source: Daily News, Bowling Green, KY, Feb. 24, 2007, extracted Sep. 24, 2007</p> |
| <p>Smith, Edwinnon</p> | <p>Smith, Edwinnon</p> <p>Edwinnon Smith, son of the late Edna Brunson Smith and the late Foy Smith</p> |

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| | <p>was born on March 23, 1946 in Raleigh, North Carolina. He departed this life on Friday, April 4, 1997 at Ft. Stewart Army Community Hospital in Hinesville, GA. of a massive heart attack.</p> <p>Edwinnon was raised in Durham, NC., where he completed his elementary and secondary education. He was a Boy Scout and an Explorer Scout under the leadership of Mr. R. Kelly Bryant, Sr., in troop #187 in Durham, NC. He was a graduate of Hillside High School's class of 1965. He was a member of Kyles Temple A.M.E. Zion Church. Upon graduating from high school, Edwinnon was drafted into the U.S. Army and spent the next three years as a medic. He was honorably discharged from the U.S. Army in August, 1968. Edwinnon was a Master Mason of the AS Hunter Lodge #825 (PHA) in Durham, NC. He attended Durham Technical Institute in Durham, where he studied drafting and took business courses. He completed an apprenticeship under Mr. Nathaniel Taylor in Durham in tailoring. He worked at Central Prison in Raleigh, NC. as a guard and worked for the Durham County School System as a security officer part-time. He later worked at Triangle Nursing Home as an orderly. This is when he realized that the medical profession was the direction he wanted to pursue. Therefore, he re-enlisted into the U.S. Army to work in the medical field and has served more than twenty years of active duty. During those years he served a tour of duty in Germany, Hawaii and several United States duty stations. While serving more than years, Sgt. Edwinnon Smith has received the Bronze Star Award, Purple Heart, Army Arcom with Oak Leaf (this means the second award), Army Achievement Metal with Oak Leaf (this means the second award), Combat Field Medical Expert Badge (this is a combat medic under fire award), Combat Patch ID Badge.</p> <p>Sgt. Edwinnon Smith is a Vietnam Veteran and a Veteran of Desert Shield/Desert Storm.</p> <p>Edwinnon was a member of the Antioch Mission Temple Church of God and Christ in Hinesville, GA., Elder Sapp, Minister.</p> <p>Sgt. Smith is survived by his wife, Behester Smith of Columbia, GA.; one sister, Brenda Clark of Arlington, VA.; one aunt, Mary R. Hayes of Durham; three cousins, Fred L. Brunson, III, of Durham; Rebecca H. Battle of Clearwater, FL.; and Sandra Brunson of Durham; a mother-in-law, Christine Hines of Sopchoppy, FL.; one brother-in-law, Thurman D. Clark, Sr., of Arlington, VA.; three step children, April Penn and Wanda Ellison of Charlotte, NC.; and Dewitt L. Underwood of Columbus, GA.; Ed's friends, his mentor, his substitute father/mother and role model, Mr. R. Kelly Bryant, Sr., and Mrs. Artelia Bryant of Durham, NC., and a host of other relatives and friends.</p> <p>The funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, April 10, at Burtthey Funeral Service. Visitation will be 10:00 Thursday morning.</p> <p>Source: The Herald-Sun, Durham, NC, April 9, 1997, extracted June 25, 2007.</p> |
| Smith, Ernest D. | <p>Funeral for retired Master Sgt. Ernest D. Smith, 50, Lawton, will be at 12:30 p.m., Friday at New Post Chapel, Fort Sill, with Tyrone Turner, pastor, St. John Baptist Church, officiating.</p> <p>Mr. Smith died Sunday, Aug. 12, 2007, in Lawton. Burial, with full military honors will be at Post Cemetery, Fort Sill, under direction of Lawton Ritter Gray Funeral Home.</p> <p>He was born June 28, 1957, in Courtland, Ala. He moved to Chattanooga,</p> |

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| | <p>Tenn., when he was young and attended schools there.</p> <p>After high school, he enlisted in the U.S. Army and served 20 years, achieving the rank of master sergeant. During that time, he obtained his Master's Degree in Business Administration. While serving in the Army, he received many medals and awards including the Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal w/2nd Oak Leaf Cluster, Army Achievement Medal w/1st Oak Leaf Cluster, Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Southwest Asia Service Medal w/ 2 Service Stars, NCO Professional Development Ribbon w/ number 3, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, Kuwait Liberation Medal, Sharpshooter Marksmanship Badge Rifle, M-16, US Army Basic Recruiter Badge Three Gold Achievement Stars, and the U.S. Army Gold Recruiter Badge. He served in Desert Storm as well as other missions.</p> <p>He retired from the military in June, 1995, and began his civil service career as a training specialist (meteorology). At the time of his death he was a supervisory training specialist for the Target Acquisition Training School. During his civil service career, he received many awards including the Commander's Award for Civilian Service, Superior Civilian Service Award, The Achievement Medal for Civilian Service and 1999 Instructor of the Year.</p> <p>He married Paulla Barker on June 27, 1981, in Ringgold, Ga. He was a member of the Fort Sill Retiree Council from October of 2002 through June of 2005. He was also a member of the Lion's Club.</p> <p>Survivors include his wife; a son, Sgt. Patrick A. Smith, currently serving in Iraq; a daughter, Kendra Smith, Lawton; his father, Lawrence Davis Jr.; two sisters: Angela Malone and Regina Williams, both of Trinity, Ala.; two brothers: Lawrence Davis III, and Gary Davis, both of Trinity, Ala.; an adopted sister, Harriet Crayton, Town Creek, Ala.; cousins: Winnie Sanford, Shirley Woods, Dale Payne, Linda Payne-Johnson, all of Town Creek, Ala.; and Wayne Jones, Bobby Jones, and Dennis Jones, all of Chattanooga, Tenn.; his adopted family: Judge Walter and Gwendolyn Williams and their daughters: Hillary and Heather, all of Chattanooga, Tenn.; and Janet Lockhart, Dallas; three brothers-in-law: Fredrick and Nigel Barker, both of Nashville, Tenn.; and Ronald Barker, Hudson, Ohio; two sisters-in-law: Shirley Eskridge, Cleveland; and Deborah King, Columbus, Ohio; and many nieces, nephews, other family members and friends.</p> <p>He was preceded in death by his mother, Ella D. Smith.</p> <p>Source: The Lawton Constitution, Lawton, OK, August 15, 2007, extracted September 28, 2007.</p> |
| Smith, Gary Randall | <p>GARY RANDALL SMITH, 41, of Polk City died Sunday at home of natural causes. A native of Lakeland, he was a line crewman with Lakeland Electric and Water Utilities, a member of Life & Praise Temple in Auburndale, Marine Corps veteran, and a Army Reserve veteran of Operation Desert Storm. He is survived by his wife, Nancy Marie B.; a daughter, Erin Nicole of Polk City; his mother, Rosalie Smith Pennington of Auburndale; a sister, Janice Williamson of Auburndale; and a brother, Wendell of Lakeland. Heath Funeral Chapel, Lakeland.</p> <p>Source: The Tampa Tribune, Tampa, FL, May 7, 1996, extracted June 20,</p> |

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| Smith, George M., Jr. | <p>Smith, George M., Jr.</p> <p>Smith, George M. Jr, 54, Ardmore, Okla., formerly Lincoln, died Sunday (9/22/02) in Veteran's Home in Ardmore from complications of liver disease. Born, Waukegan, Ill. (12/22/47) to George M. Sr. and Charlotte E. Smith. Aviation technician and inspector for helicopters and fixed-wing aircraft. Retired after 30 years of service as master sergeant from the Army National Guard (3/30/02), Starc Headquarters, Lincoln. Graduated, Ardmore High School, May 1966. Following graduation, entered the U.S. Navy, four years; worked on aircraft and was a crew chief on Electra P-3 Navy aircraft. Married Nancy McKinney, September 1970. After Navy service, graduated from Spartan School of Aeronautics, aviations maintenance curriculum, Tulsa, Okla. Employed, McDonnell-Douglas Aircraft, Palmdale, Calif., and Bell Helicopter Division, Amarillo, Texas. Was excited to continue military service in Army National Guard, Lincoln. Son, James M., born in Lincoln, Dec. 1981. Moved to Ardmore, November 2001. Retired from aviation, March 2002. He attended many schools in his career in the U.S. Navy and Army National Guard. George was in combat with the U.S. Navy during Vietnam conflict and was with the 24th Med Division in charge of flight platoon in Desert Storm from Dec. 1990 - July 1991 with Army National Guard in Saudi Arabia, transferring to Cavalry 167-F Troop. Survivors: parents; son; sister, Janet N. Sharp; nephews Ray Sharp, Jake Smith; niece, Natalie L. Sharp. Services: 1 p.m. Wednesday, St. Mary's Catholic Church, Ardmore. Church cemetery. Pallbearers: Ronnie Stoker, John Shorter, Roy Vega, Dexter Bolin, Jake Smith, Ray Sharp. Visitation with the family: 6-8 p.m. today, Craddock Funeral Home, Ardmore.</p> <p>Source: Lincoln Journal Star, Lincoln, NE, Sep. 24, 2002, extracted Jun. 26, 2007</p> |
| Smith, I. J. "Sonny", Jr. | <p>Smith, I. J. "Sonny", Jr.</p> <p>I. J. "Sonny" Smith Jr., 62, of Port Neches, died Monday, November 25, 2002 at the Senior Rehabilitation Center in Port Arthur. Memorial services will be 11:00 am Saturday, November 30, 2002 at the Veterans Memorial Park in Port Arthur under the direction of Broussard's in Nederland. Dr. Curtis Keith and Rev. Marv Howlan officiating. Mr. Smith is a native of Lake Charles, Louisiana and lived most of his life in the Port Neches, Beaumont, and Denver, Colorado areas. He was retired as a military police officer with the U.S. Air Force serving in the Viet Nam and Desert Storm. He also retired from the Lakewood, Colorado Police Department. He was a member of the First Christian Church in Beaumont. He is survived by his wife, Shirley Smith of Port Neches; one son Ira J. "Jeff" Smith III and wife Lisa of Lake Dallas; two daughters, Holly Carpenter of Port Neches, and Jackie Tamplin and husband Greg of Corinth; one brother, Mike Smith of Opelousas, Louisiana; one sister, Theresa Doucett of Lafayette, Louisiana; four grandchildren, Michael Westmorland, Matthew Smith, Lauren Carpenter, and Megan Tamplin. Broussard's Nederland505 12th Street Nederland, Texas 77657 (409)722-3456 broussardsmortuary.com</p> <p>Source: The Beaumont Enterprise, Beaumont, TX, Nov. 30, 2002, extracted Jun. 24, 2007</p> |
| Smith, James | <p>James Smith: Grocery store fire bombing kills 1, injures 4 POMPANO BEACH -- James Smith, a career soldier who escaped unscathed</p> |

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| | <p>from the fires of Desert Storm, could not escape the flames of a firebomb tossed into a neighborhood fish market in his hometown.</p> <p>Smith, 47, died at noon Wednesday from massive burns suffered as he tried to escape through the only door of the B&B Fish Market, 1549 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., about 10:30 p.m. Tuesday, police and fire officials said.</p> <p>Smith, of the 700 block of Powerline Road, had third-degree burns over 80 percent of his body, police said. He was taken to North Broward Medical Center, then flown to the burn center at Jackson Memorial Hospital in Miami.</p> <p>"He was talking (on Wednesday) morning and telling me he was going to be all right," said his brother, Dexter Richardson, a Riviera Beach police officer. "But he was under heavy sedation and I knew he wasn't going to recover."</p> <p>Police have launched an intensive manhunt for the man who ran from the store after throwing a can of flammable liquid inside. He is wanted for murder and first-degree arson.</p> <p>Smith and two other customers, Earnest Kearsse and Angela Barron, were with the co-owner of the store, Basim Ayoub, when a man opened the shop's only door and tossed the firebomb inside, police said. Ayoub suffered burns on his feet. Mamou Shehadeh, also a co-owner, was treated for minor burns. Kearsse and Barron suffered minor injuries, police said.</p> <p>Source: Ocala Star-Banner, Ocala, FL, July 29, 1993, extracted May 29, 2007.</p> |
| Smith, James R. | <p>James R. Smith, age 46, of Evansville, passed away Tuesday, March 9, 2004 at his residence.</p> <p>James was a clerk for the United States Postal Service for 8 years. He retired as a sergeant in the U.S. Air Force after 17 years of service. After serving in the Gulf War, he settled in Evansville and began working with the postal service. James enjoyed bowling, surfing and riding horses.</p> <p>He was a member of the Disabled American Veterans Local Chapter. James is survived by his wife of 5 years, Sara (Scales) Smith, Evansville; stepson, Jonathan Muehlbauer, Evansville; and stepdaughter, Shauna Thompson, Mount Vernon, Ind.</p> <p>Funeral services 1 p.m. Saturday, March 13, 2004, at Browning Funeral Home, 738 Diamond Ave., Rev. Steve Clayton officiating. Burial will follow in Oak Hill Cemetery, where the Retired Veterans Memorial Club will conduct military rites.</p> <p>Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday, March 12, 2004, at Browning Funeral Home and from 11 a.m. service time on Saturday, March 13, 2004, at Browning Funeral Home.</p> <p>Memorial contributions may be made to Disabled American Veterans, Chapter 7, P.O. Box 3764, Evansville, Ind. 47708.</p> <p>Source: The Evansville Courier & Press, Evansville, IN, March 11, 2004.</p> |
| Smith, Jeffrey Dale | <p>Smith, Jeffrey Dale</p> <p>Jeffery Dale Smith, was born on April 23, 1962 at Southeastern General</p> |

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| | <p>Memorial Hospital, Lumberton, NC to Raymond Horace and Agnes Jenkins Smith of Hope Mills, NC.</p> <p>He graduated from South View High School in 1980 where he was a member of the baseball and football team.</p> <p>He attended one year at Methodist College on full scholarship and played one season on the baseball team.</p> <p>He joined the U.S. Army and served his country for 12 years. He served in Desert Shield and Desert Storm. ...</p> <p>Source: The Fayetteville Observer, Fayetteville, NC, Jul. 11, 2001, extracted Jun. 10, 2007</p> |
| Smith, Jeffrey Lee | <p>Mr. Jeffrey Lee Smith, age 33 years, of Jefferson City, Mo., died Tuesday, July 13, 2004, at the University of Missouri Health Sciences Center, Columbia, Mo., after an automobile accident.</p> <p>Jeffrey was born February 12, 1971, at Jefferson City, Mo., the son of Linda Lou Chalfant Smith. His mother survives in Jefferson City, Mo.</p> <p>A lifelong resident of the central Missouri area, Jeffrey was a 1989 graduate of Cole County R-5 High School, Eugene, Mo.</p> <p>He served in the Operation Desert Storm in Iraq with the Missouri Army National Guard.</p> <p>He was employed as a network security administrator with the Missouri State Public Defenders office. His greatest joy was being a father of three children. His laughter and love will forever be remembered.</p> <p>Other survivors include: his fiancée, Rachelle Woods of Jefferson City, Mo.; one son, Aiden Jeffrey Smith of the home; two daughters, Ashley and Caitlyn of the home; one sister, Stacy Rush and her husband, Jason of Eldon, Mo.; maternal grandparents, Ken and Margaret Wilson of Jefferson City, Mo.</p> <p>Funeral services will be conducted at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, July 17, 2004, at the Hickory Hill Baptist Church with the Reverend Jason McNaughten and the Reverend Shane Crum officiating. Graveside services and interment with military honors will be conducted at the Hickory Hill Cemetery.</p> <p>Friends may call at the Freeman Mortuary from 4:00 until 7:00 p.m. Friday.</p> <p>Those desiring may make memorial contributions to the Aiden Jeffrey Smith Educational Fund. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Freeman Mortuary.</p> <p>Source: Jefferson City News-Tribune, Jefferson City, MO, July 15, 2004, extracted August 13, 2007.</p> |
| Smith, Jennifer L. | <p>Greenfield Center - Jennifer L. Smith of Plank Road passed away on Friday morning, August 4, 2006 at her home surrounded by her loving family. She was 46.</p> <p>Born March 23, 1960 in Saratoga Springs, she was the daughter of late Levi W. and Anne E. Young Annis. Jennifer attended Saratoga Springs High School,</p> |

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| | <p>graduating with honors in 1977.</p> <p>She then proudly served in the United States Army from 1977 until her retirement in 1994. During her time in the Army, she was stationed in both Saudi Arabia and Iraq during Desert Storm. She was the recipient of many honors while in the Army including; the Army Commendation Medal 3D Award, Army Good Conduct Medal 5th Award, National Defense Service Medal, Southwest Asia Service Medal, Kuwait Liberation Medal, NCO Professional Development Ribbon with Numeral 2, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, Expert Qualification Badge M-16 Rifle, Marksman Qualification Badge Hand Grenade. Jennifer also received a brick in the Memorial Veteran's Walkway in Congress Park in Saratoga Springs.</p> <p>Jennifer served as the Chaplain with the VFW Post 420 and the American Legion Post 70 in addition to serving on the Monday Honor Guard Squad at the Gerald B.H. Solomon Saratoga National Cemetery. She also was a communicant of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church in Greenfield Center.</p> <p>Survivors include her loving husband of 19 years, William E. Smith Jr.; one son, Joseph P. Brownell of Corinth; two daughters, Angela M. Flores of Lincoln, Nebraska and Brandy L. McLaughlin of Stillwater; four stepchildren, Thomas Edward, Annie E., Janelle and Jaime Smith, all of New Jersey; two grandchildren, Jaylin Flores and Richard M. Capone Jr., two sisters; Judith Orton and her husband George of Saratoga Springs and Donna Dupertuis of Chesapeake, Va., in addition to several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.</p> <p>Relatives and friends may call from 10 to 11 a.m. on Tuesday, August 8, 2006 at St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church on Route 9N, Greenfield Center where a Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated following the calling hour, by the Rev. Martin DeRose, sacramental minister. Burial will be held at the Gerald B.H. Solomon Saratoga National Cemetery in Schuylerville, New York.</p> <p>A gathering of friends will be held at the VFW Post 420 on Excelsior Avenue in Saratoga Springs immediately following the burial.</p> <p>Memorial donations may be made to Community Hospice of Saratoga, 179 Lawrence Street, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866.</p> <p>Arrangements are under the direction of the Willliam J. Burke & Sons/Bussing & Cunniff Funeral Homes of 628 North Broadway, Saratoga Springs.</p> <p>Source: The Saratogian, Saratoga Springs, NY, Aug. 6, 2006, extracted August 24, 2007.</p> |
| Smith, Jerry L. | <p>Jerry Lee Smith, 57, died Saturday, Sept. 23, 2006, at his residence. A native of Haywood County, he was the son of the late Arthur Henry Smith. In addition to his father, he was preceded in death by his sister, Joyce Ann Moody.</p> <p>Mr. Smith was a 1967 graduate of Tuscola High School and attended N.C. State University. He served in the United States Air Force during the Vietnam Era. He also served in the 211th MP, Army National Guard during the Gulf War. Jerry accumulated over 22 years of service in the United States military.</p> <p>He was former employee of McDonald Douglas as a technical representative in Iran. He was a retired sergeant from the Waynesville Police Department, where he had served as a patrol officer, detective, shift sergeant, special response team</p> |

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| | <p>commander and field training officer. He was the recipient of the Officer of the Year Award by Haywood County Fraternal Order of Police. The future awards will be named in his honor as the Jerry L. Smith Award. He was a member of Woodland Baptist Church.</p> <p>He is survived by his wife of 38 years, Caron Ferguson Smith; his mother and stepfather, Helen Sherrill Whitner and her husband, D.A. of Waynesville; daughter, Windy S. Miller and her husband, Matthew of Bethel; son, Travis Branson Smith and his wife, Courtney of Clyde; stepsister, Ellen Mackey of Maggie Valley; stepbrother, Brian Whitner of Canton; and three grandsons, Koty and Dalten Trantham and Ty Miller.</p> <p>The funeral service will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday in the Waynesville chapel of Wells Funeral Homes with the Rev. Alan Davis, Chaplain Dick Campbell of the Waynesville Police Department and Rev. Paul Carden officiating.</p> <p>Burial will follow at Green Hill Cemetery with full military honors conducted jointly by the military and law enforcement officers.</p> <p>The family will receive friends from 6 to 9 p.m. Monday at the funeral home and at other times at the residence.</p> <p>Memorials may be made to the Waynesville Police Officers Association, 9 S. Main St., Waynesville, NC 28786.</p> <p>Wells Funeral Homes of Waynesville is in charge of arrangements. For those who desire, an online memorial register is available at Obituaries at www.wellsfuneralhome.com.</p> <p>Source: Black Mountain News, Black Mountain, NC, Sept. 24, 2006.</p> |
| Smith, Kevin Alma | <p>Smith, Kevin Alma</p> <p>Kevin Alma Smith, 46, died November 8, 2001.</p> <p>He was born Aug 25, 1955 in Salt Lake City, UT the son of Harry R. and Esther Burgener Smith. He graduated from West High School where he excelled in music and sports. He served an LDS mission in the New York City Spanish-Speaking and Arizona Spanish- Speaking missions. He was very fluent in the Spanish language and did much to help people in that language who could speak no English.</p> <p>He married Rosario Concepcion Alfonso in the Washington DC Temple. They had three children, and later divorced. In 1990, he married Estefana Velarde. He served in the US Army during the Desert Storm war.</p> <p>Survived by his wife, Estefana; son, Gabriel (Jennifer); daughters, Karla and Angie; four grandchildren; father, Harry R. Smith; sister, Melanie; and brothers, Ray, Gaylen, Weldon, Sterling. Preceded in death by his mother.</p> <p>Services will be Tues. Nov 13, 2001 11 a.m., Rose Park LDS 1st Ward chapel, 1150 W. 800 N, with a viewing to be held at the church prior to services 9:30-10:45 a.m. Interment, Larkin Sunset Gardens Cemetery.</p> <p>Source: The Deseret News, Salt Lake City, UT, Nov. 12, 2001, extracted Jun. 4,</p> |

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| Smith, Kevin G. | <p>Kevin G. Smith, 46, of Valles Mines, died Tuesday (July 13, 2004) at Parkland Medical Center in Farmington, Mo.</p> <p>Mr. Smith was the owner and operator of Kevin Smith Farrier Service. He was a member of St. Anne Catholic Church in French Village. He was a member of VFW 3777 and the American Farriers Association.</p> <p>He served in the Army in Desert Storm.</p> <p>The funeral will be at 10 a.m. today at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 555 Bailey Road, Crystal City. Burial will be at St. Anne Cemetery in French Village.</p> <p>+</p> <p>Among survivors are his wife, Mary Smith of Valles Mines; his parents, Hughie and Maxine Smith, both of Jackson, Mo.; two daughters, Tara G. Baca of Mount Home, Idaho, and Brianna M. Smith of Valles Mines; two sons, 2nd Lt. Cormac M. Smith and Ian G. Smith, both of Valles Mines; two sisters, Robin Dyer of Tulsa, Okla., and Sonja Davis of Jackson, Mo.; a brother, C.W. Hughey of Texas; and a grandchild.</p> |
| Smith, Lynn Richard Jr. | <p>Smith, Lynn Richard Jr. Born November 23, 1964. From Lebanon, Missouri. Died suddenly from injuries sustained in a motorcycle / vehicle accident on March 14, 2007. He was a graduate of Vicksburg High School.</p> <p>He was a veteran of Desert Storm and served in Saudi Arabia.</p> <p>Lynn was a member of the Patriot Freedom Riders, the Ft. Wood Shrine Club, and Masonic Lodge #385.</p> <p>Survived by wife, Michelle Smith; three children, Mackenzie Hildebrand, Jonathon Bunch and Trae Smith; his father, Lynn Smith Sr. and his wife, Ruthann of Homer, MI; mother, Melody Coffman and her husband, Richard Coffman of Angola, Indiana; three sisters, Kerry Katt, Laurie Tompkins and Michelle Carr; three brothers, Jim smith, Lanny Smith and Aaron Smith.</p> <p>Source: Kalamazoo Gazette, Kalamazoo, MI, Mar. 27, 2007, extracted Sep. 25, 2007</p> |
| Smith, Mark Daniel | <p>TULARE - Mark Daniel Smith, 26, of Tulare passed away Wednesday, Aug. 25, 1999. He was a vet tech for Gerald Haggard, DVM.</p> <p>He was born in Orange on Sept. 4, 1972 to David and Kathy Smith. He moved to Exeter at the age of 15, where he attended Exeter High School, graduating in 1990. He entered the U.S. Army in 1990, serving during Desert Storm. He was discharged in 1993. He moved to Tulare in May of this year. He was employed by Gerald Haggard, DVM, of Exeter as a vet tech for three years. Mark was a wonderful artist and poet. He loved animals, playing football, baseball and repelling off of cliffs. Mark leaves many dear and close friends in addition to his family who loved him very much.</p> <p>Survivors include his parents, Kathy Smith of Visalia and David Smith of Exeter a brother, Douglas Smith of San Diego and a sister, Stacey Davenport of Visalia.</p> <p>Friends may call from 1 to 7 p.m. Sunday at Miller Memorial Chapel in Visalia. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Monday at Miller Memorial Chapel.</p> |

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| | <p>Arrangements are by Goble-Miller Funeral Chapel in Tulare.</p> <p>Source: Visalia Times-Delta, Visalia, CA, Aug. 28, 1999, extracted July 13, 2007.</p> |
| <p>Smith, Marvin F. III</p> | <p>Marvin F. Smith III, 34, of Sebewaing died Saturday morning, May 14, 2005 from injuries received in a truck and all-terrain vehicle accident near Sebewaing.</p> <p>He was born Feb. 20, 1971 in Ann Arbor, son of Marvin F. Smith II and Linda M. (Miller) Smith.</p> <p>Marvin was a 1989 graduate of Unionville Sebewaing Area High School where he played football.</p> <p>He attended Delta College and later served with the U.S. Army during the Gulf War.</p> <p>Marvin was employed as a private security guard.</p> <p>He was a member of the Sebewaing V.F.W. Post No. 4115; the Sebewaing Sportsmen's Club. He also had worked with the DNR. as a hunter safety instructor. He was an avid hunter and especially loved fishing.</p> <p>Surviving are his mother and step-father, Linda Deeg and her husband, Robert, of Sebewaing; his father Marvin F. Smith II of Norfolk, Va.; one sister, Jennifer Hanser and her husband, Kevin, of Oakland; one brother, Robert Deeg II of Clawson; and several aunts, uncles, and cousins.</p> <p>The funeral service will take place at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, May 17, 2005 at the Dinkel-Juengel Funeral Home in Sebewaing. The Rev. Jonathan Meyer will officiate with burial in Fort Custer National Cemetery in Augusta.</p> <p>Visitation will be from 3 to 9 p.m. today and from 9 a.m. until the time of service on Tuesday at the funeral home.</p> <p>Memorials may be made to Family Discretionary Fund or St. Peter Lutheran Church Building Fund.</p> <p>Military graveside committal service will be conducted under the auspices of the Sebewaing V.F.W. Post No. 4115.</p> <p>Source: The Huron Daily Tribune, Bad Axe, MI, May 16, 2005.</p> |
| <p>Smith, Michael Anthony</p> | <p>Smith, Michael Anthony</p> <p>Michael Anthony Smith, 46, Barnes Drive, died Thursday, Aug. 8, 2002, at Gateway Medical Center. A memorial service will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at Excell Baptist Church with the Rev. Terrell Marcom officiating. The remains are to be cremated with Sykes Funeral Home and Crematory in charge of arrangements. He was born Aug. 7, 1956, in Taylor, Texas, son of James D. Smith and Betty Brewer Smith. Mr. Smith was a salesman for Sears, a U.S. Army veteran having served in Desert Shield/Desert Storm, a recipient of the Bronze Star, a member of the National Animal Control Association, an instructor and volunteer for the American Red Cross and a speaker and volunteer investigator for the Humane Society of Clarksville-Montgomery County. In addition to his father of Tempe, Ariz., survivors</p> |

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| | <p>include his wife, Sally Laing Smith his stepmother, Nancy Smith, Tempe a son, Michael N. Bridwell, Clarksville and two daughters, Jenny Sams and Jessie Smith, both of Clarksville. Memorial contributions may be made to the Humane Society, American Red Cross and Excell Baptist Church.</p> <p>Source: The Leaf-Chronicle, Clarksville, TN, Aug. 9, 2002, extracted Jun. 22, 2007</p> |
| <p>Smith, Michael M.</p> | <p>Oct. 25, 1993</p> <p>Michael M. Smith, 31, of Camptown, died Monday at the Lakeland Regional Medical Center, Lakeland, Fla. Born Feb. 1, 1962, in Towanda, he was the son of Maynard L. Smith and Peggy Lillie Smith Goff. He was a 1980 graduate of Wyalusing High School.</p> <p>He worked for Taylor Packing Company during high school, and then entered the Army. He was stationed in Fort Campbell, Ky., for three years, and later participated in Operation Desert Shield and Operation Desert Storm in 1990 and 1991.</p> <p>He earned several medals during his eight years of duty. He returned home and worked for Taylor Packing Co., and later Arrow United Corp. He loved racing cars and drag racing. He also enjoyed walking for miles a day, especially in the woods.</p> <p>He was preceded in death by grandparents, Arthur and Dorothy Wells Smith, Robert and Pearl Wildrick Lillie; several aunts and uncles.</p> <p>Surviving are his father and stepmother, Maynard L. and Eleanor Dueber Smith, Camptown; stepfather and mother, Ralph and Peggy Lillie Smith Goff, Mansfield; sister, Karen M. Smith, Wysox; several aunts, uncles and cousins.</p> <p>Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Friday from the P. Dean Homer Funeral Home, 1 Grovedale Lane, Wyalusing, with the Rev. Jane Pykus officiating.</p> <p>Interment will be in Camptown Cemetery.</p> <p>Friends may call from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday.</p> <p>Source: The Times Leader, Wilkes Barr, PA, Oct. 27, 1993, extracted May 29, 2007</p> |
| <p>Smith, Michael Ray</p> | <p>Michael Ray Smith, 49, died Feb. 19, 1999.</p> <p>Mr. Smith attended the Pentecostal Church of the Living God and was a veteran of the Vietnam War and Desert Storm.</p> <p>He is survived by his wife, Marie Minor Smith; a son, Roger Mosley Jr. of Virginia Beach; two daughters, Laura Repass of Chesapeake and LaDonna Zumwalt of Texas; two sisters, Lori Manning and Lana Churman; three grandchildren, Jake Mosley, Joshua Repass and Ryndan Zumwalt.</p> <p>A memorial service will be held at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at Altmeyer Funeral Home Chapel, Virginia Beach. The family will receive friends at the funeral home until 9 p.m. Burial will follow at a later date in Arlington National Cemetery. The family requests that memorial contributions be made to the Pentecostal Church of the Living God Building Fund.</p> |

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| | Source: The Virginian-Pilot, Norfolk, VA, extracted July 12, 2007 |
| Smith, Michael William | <p>Smith, Michael William</p> <p>Michael William Smith age 32 of Simi Valley passed away Friday Oct. 31 1997 in Simi Valley. Born, on May 21 1965 in Fontana Calif. he was a Ventura County resident for 29 years. He was a heavy equipment operator and a veteran of Desert Storm.</p> <p>He enjoyed playing the guitar and jamming with his friends. He also loved the ocean desert mountains and all outdoor sports and activities.</p> <p>He is survived by his father Michael N. Smith and wife Arlene of Stockton; mother Margaret Roth and husband Al of Camarillo; grandmother Phyllis Ramsay of Camarillo; sister Traci Keiser of Sacramento; and will also be missed by many aunts uncles nieces nephews and cousins.</p> <p>Memorial donations may be made to the Easter Seal Society.</p> <p>Arrangements are under the direction of Pierce Bros. Griffin Mortuary in Camarillo.</p> <p>Source: Ventura County, Star, CA, Nov. 4, 1997, extracted June 25, 2007</p> |
| Smith, Paul Christopher | <p>PAUL CHRISTOPHER SMITH, 31, of Atoka, TN passed March 6, 2004. Services will be 1:00 p.m. Thursday, March 11 at Munford Funeral Home Millington Chapel.</p> <p>Mr. Smith was a Fuel Tank Tech, attendee of Faith Baptist Church, a Navy Veteran with a Southwest Asia Service Medal w/Bronze Star, Served in Desert Storm, received a Gold Medal in Basketball, an avid fisherman, graduate of Port Richey School in Florida, attended Fayetteware High School & Rossville Christian Academy.</p> <p>He is survived by wife, Brandi Smith; sons, Cavin Christopher and Gabriel Paul both of Bartlett, TN; parents, Kenneth Smith of Memphis, TN and Robert & Teresa Liles of Rossville, TN; sisters, Lori Barham of Atoka, TN, Tracie Liles of Rossville, TN, Amanda Smith of Southaven, MS, Elizabeth Smith of Southaven, MS, and Rachael Smith of Bartlett, TN; brothers, Michael Smith of Memphis, TN and Bobby Liles of Rossville, TN; grandparents, Betty Smith of Arlington, TN, Opal Bobbitt of Eads, TN, and Jean Brogden of Memphis, TN.</p> <p>All memorials to be sent to Children's Fund at Rossville Bank in Rossville, TN.</p> <p>Source: The Commercial Appeal, Memphis, TN, March 11, 2004, extracted August 13, 2007.</p> |
| Smith, Randy | <p>Smith, Randy</p> <p>A Mass of Christian Burial wil be held for Randy Smith, age 53, at Saint Landry Catholic Church, 900 North Union in Opelousas, LA on Sunday, October 21, 2001 at 2:00 p.m. Celebrating the Mass will be Father Paul Metrejean. Interment will follow in the Myrtle Grove Cemetery with Full Military Honors at graveside.</p> <p>Visitation will be at Sibille Funeral Home, 2298 George Dr., in Opelousas today</p> |

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| | <p>beginning at 4 p.m. with a Rosary at 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>He entered into rest on October 18, 2001 ater a courageous battle with cancer. Randy was a loving member of Waller Baptist Church, belonged to the Loyal Order of the Moose Lodge #2239 and was a volunteer firefighter for South Bossier Fire District 2. He proudly served his country during the Vietnam War and Desert Storm before his retirement. Once retired, he was employed with the Holiday Inn of Bossier City.</p> <p>He was preceded in death by his paternal grandmother, Annie L. Smith.</p> <p>He is survived by his loving wife Wendy Lavergne Smith parents, James R. and Omie Williams Smith of Statesboro, GA grandfather, Robert Smith of Statesboro, GA daughters, Tina Smith Free of Bossier City, LA and Trisha Smith Boyett of Plano, TX brothers, Danny Paul Smith and James R.H. Smith, both of Statesboro, GA sister, Wanda E. Rushing of Meridian, MS grandchildren, Kasey Renee Free, Ryan James Free and Carly Brooke Boyett. Also, nieces, nephews and many in-laws.</p> <p>Pallbearers will be Kennon Lavergne, Kyle Lavergne, Slade Perry, Dave Park, Ernie Free and Chris Boyett. Honorary pallbearer is Ryan Lavergne.</p> <p>In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Randy's memory to Christus Schumpert Hospice.</p> <p>Hill Funeral Home</p> <p>Source: The Times, Shreveport, LA, Oct. 20, 2001, extracted Jun. 10, 2007</p> |
| Smith, Richard W. | <p>Richard W. Smith, 58, passed away May 25, 2007, after a long illness. Born in Pennsylvania and raised in a military family, Cdr. Smith considered Pensacola his home and graduated from Pensacola High School in 1967.</p> <p>He served in the U.S. Army as a non-commissioned officer during the Vietnam War where he was awarded the Bronze Star medal. He completed his service in the Army as a tank commander.</p> <p>He graduated from the University of West Florida with a degree in finance and was accepted into the U.S. Naval Officer Candidate School in Newport, Rhode Island.</p> <p>Upon commissioning as an Ensign in 1978, Smith was assigned to the Pacific Fleet. Returning to the East Coast, he was assigned as a staff officer to the United States Central Command in Tampa and served tours in the Middle East, Desert Storm, Somalia and Panama. He retired from the Navy in 2001.</p> <p>Cdr. Smith was preceded in death by his grandparents, Vice-Admiral John P. and Florine H. Whitney, and parents, Richard B. and Margaret M. Smith. He is survived by his sister, Margo Smith, and niece, Katy Robinson.</p> <p>WATERS AND HIBBERT FUNERAL HOME is in charge of arrangements.</p> <p>A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m., June 16, 2007, at Christ Episcopal Church, 18 West Wright Street, Pensacola.</p> |

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| | Source: Pensacola News Journal, Pensacola, FL, June 16, 2007, extracted September 26, 2007. |
| Smith, Robert Hunt | <p>Robert Hunt Smith, 81, of Greenville, S.C., ended his "tour of duty" on Saturday, Jan. 29, 2005.</p> <p>Lieutenant Commander Smith, Retired United States Navy, honorably served his country during World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War. In 1941 at the age of 17, he enlisted as a seaman and 16 years later in 1957 earned his commission as an officer. In 1971, he retired as lieutenant commander after 30 years of service.</p> <p>He was a beloved father and grandfather and a courageous honorable man. He was the son of the late Richard W. Smith and the late Margaret Elizabeth Hunt. He was the devoted husband of the late Dorothy Elizabeth Potter, having been married for 51 years.</p> <p>Lieutenant Commander Smith is survived by his daughter, Sharon Elizabeth Sanders, and her husband, Beau Sanders, of Greenville, S.C.; his son, Stephen Robert Smith, a veteran of the Vietnam War, Desert Shield/Desert Storm, and a retired federal law enforcement officer, and Elizabeth Newton of McColl, S.C. Two brothers survive him, Richard T. Smith of Snoqualmie Pass, Wash., and Rev. Donald H. Smith of Fort Myers, Fla. Two grandchildren also survive him, Michael Robert Smith of Savannah, Ga., and Shannon L. Smith of Oklahoma City, Okla.</p> <p>He was a member of Holy Trinity Anglican Church, where he was privileged to serve on the Vestry and enjoyed the friendship of the Rev. Jack Cole, Mrs. Lucille Tumlin and many other friends.</p> <p>Visitation will be held today, Jan. 31 from 2 to 2:45 p.m. at Holy Trinity Anglican Church, with services to follow at 3 p.m.</p> <p>In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Holy Trinity Anglican Church, 717 Buncombe St., Greenville, SC, 29601.</p> <p>Source: The Greenville News, Greenville, SC, Jan. 31, 2005, extracted Sep. 21, 2007</p> |
| Smith, Sheila Darlene | <p>Anniston - Funeral services for Mrs. Sheila Delene Smith, 45, of Anniston, will be at Harvest Church of God, Sunday, October 15, 2006 at 2 p.m. with Bishop Jerry Irwin, the Rev. W.H. Ford and the Rev. Don Maddox officiating. Interment will be at Anniston Memorial Gardens. She will lie in state from 1 to 2 p.m. Visitation will this evening from 6 to 8 at Chapel Hill Funeral Home.</p> <p>Mrs. Smith died Thursday, October 12, 2006 at Stringfellow Memorial Hospital. Mrs. Smith is survived by her husband, Raymond A. Smith of Anniston; son, Michael Edward Smith of Jacksonville; mother, Lois C. Walker of Oxford and father, James L. Walker of Tallahassee, Fla.; sister, Christina Leigh Walker of Oxford; brothers, James G. Walker of Tallahassee, Fla., Daniel K. Walker and Christopher Scott Walker both of Oxford, and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by grandparents, Gus Harold and Nannie Lou Lewallen Alexander.</p> <p>Pallbearers will be Aaron Moates, Eric Moates, Barney Newsome, Kenneth Goodwin, John Wooster and Jerry Davis. Honorary pallbearers will be Harvest Choir and Liberty Sunday School Class. Mrs. Smith was a native and lifelong resident of Calhoun County. She was employed at ANAD as a parts attendant and forklift operator.</p> |

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| | <p>She served in the U.S. Army, Desert Storm, for nine years as a fuel handler.</p> <p>She loved to crochet and bowl with the Monday night church league at Anniston Bowling Center. She was a member of Harvest Church of God.</p> <p>Flowers will be accepted or memorials may be made to the Builders Fund at Harvest Church of God. Chapel Hill Funeral Home will be servicing the Smith family 256-820-5151</p> <p>Source: The Anniston Star, Anniston, AL, Oct. 14, 2006, extracted September 22, 2007.</p> |
| <p>Smithson, Thomas Clifton</p> | <p>Smithson, Thomas Clifton</p> <p>Smithson, Thomas Clifton , 65, of 3804 Camaro Court died Wednesday at Wake Medical Center. He graduated from Rocky Mount Senior High School and was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force. Heretired from the N.C. National Guard after serving active duty in the Desert Storm Conflict. Mr. Smithson was a retired electronics engineer with the N.C. Highway Patrol. Funeral services will be held 1 p.m. Saturday at Millbrook United Methodist Church where he was a member.</p> <p>Burial will follow in Pineview Cemetery in Rocky Mount. Surviving are his wife, Ella Wood Smithson; son, Michael Thomas Smithson and his wife, Susan of Raleigh; stepmother, Mary Elizabeth Smithson of Moultrie, GA; sister Anna S. Kilgo and her husband, Billy of Rocky Mount; half-sisters, Mary Miles Blackmon of McDonough, GA and Ida Faye Connell of San Francisco, CA; several nieces and nephews. The family will receive friends at Brown-Wynne Funeral Home, Millbrook Road from 7-8:30 p.m. on Friday. Memorials may be made to Millbrook United Methodist Church, 1712 East Millbrook Road, Raleigh, NC 27609.</p> <p>Source: The News & Observer, Raleigh, NC, Apr. 27, 2001, extracted May 31, 2007</p> |
| <p>Smolnik, George A., Sr.</p> | <p>Smolnik, George A., Sr.</p> <p>George A. Smolnik Sr., 56, died Oct. 21, 2002, upon arrival at Springfield Hospital. He was born Jan. 29, 1946 in Springfield, the son of Wasil and Caroline (Moulton) Smolnik. Mr. Smolnick graduated from Springfield High School in 1964. He later went on to attend the Vermont Technical College in Randolph for a year, and then joined the Vermont National Guard in 1965. He worked at the Vermont Foundry in Springfield and later worked at Joy Foundry in Claremont, N.H. He then worked for Soucy Motors in North Springfield for several years. In 1974 he started working full time for the Vermont National Guard in the organizational maintenance shop for many years in North Springfield, and later in Westminster. In November 1990, he was activated with the 131st Engineering Division, serving in Operation Desert Storm in Saudi Arabia. He was a life member of Calvary Baptist Church, Robert L. Johnson Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 771, American Legion Post 36 in Ludlow, and was a member of the Loyal Order of Moose Lodge 527 in Bellows Falls. He was serving as staff sergeant of the Vermont Army National Guard, 131st Engineering Division in North Springfield serving for more than 37 years. Survivors include two daughters, Brenda L. Turner of Westminster and Melissa L. Smolnik of Springfield; four sons, George A. Smolnik Jr., James A. Smolnik, Steven C.</p> |

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| | <p>Smolnik and Christopher J. Smolnik, all of Springfield; a stepdaughter, Elicia Sonner of Louisiana; a stepson, Richard Barber of Springfield; 10 grandchildren; two brothers, Richard Smolnik of Barre and Bernard Smolnik Jr. of Springfield; five sisters, Sandra Hurd of Richfield, Conn., Mary Lou Hurd of Springfield, Polly Bushway of North Springfield; Carol Caoutte of East Corinth, and Martha Tiaker of North Waterboro, Maine; several nieces, nephews and cousins. He was predeceased by a brother, Fred Smolnik. The funeral service will be held Friday at 11 a.m. in Calvary Baptist Church with the Rev. Thomas W. Hiltzley, pastor, officiating. Burial will follow in Oakland Cemetery with full military honors. Friends may call at Davis Memorial Chapel on Thursday from 6 to 8 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to the River Valley Credit Union/Smolnik Fund, 84 Clinton St., Springfield, 05156.</p> <p>Source: Rutland Herald, Rutland, VT, Oct. 23, 2002, extracted Jun. 25, 2007</p> |
| <p>Smyth, Steven Edward Sr.</p> | <p>Major Rt. U.S. Army Steven Edward Smyth, Sr., 49, of Stockbridge, GA., died Friday, June 29, 2007 in Columbia, S.C.</p> <p>Funeral services will be 3 p.m. Thursday, July 5, 2007 from the graveside in Ft. Benning Main Post Cemetery with full military honors.</p> <p>Major Smyth was born December 31, 1957 in Birmingham, AL., son of Jacqueline Brown Smyth of Decatur, GA. and Jim Smyth (Sharon) of Albany, GA. Major Smyth enjoyed super bike motorcycle racing and was a Protestant by faith. He graduated from Smiths Station High School in Smiths Station, AL. and graduated from Columbus State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology; he also graduated from the University of Hawaii with a masters degree in Asian Studies.</p> <p>Major Smyth began his career as an Infantry private and advanced to the rank of Major. During these years he completed three rotations at the National Training Center at Fort Irwin, CA. and participated in Operations Just Cause in Panama and Desert Shield/Desert Storm in Saudi Arabia and Iraq. Major Smyth's awards include the Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal (2), Army Achievement Medal (2), Army Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, South West Asia Service Medal with 2 Bronze Stars, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Non Commissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon (4), Saudi Kuwait Liberation Medal, Kuwait Liberation Medal, Multi-National Force and Observers Medal, Expert Infantry Badge, Combat Infantry Badge, Master Parachutist Badge, Bronze Star, Air Assault Badge and Ranger Tab. While commanding C Company, Major Smyth completed a 6 month long multi-national Force and Observers Rotation in Sinai, Egypt.</p> <p>Survivors include his wife, Emily Noh Smyth, Stockbridge, GA.; a son, Steven Edward Smyth, Jr. of Hawaii (Beverly); step sister, Ashley Lemmons of Miami, FL. (Sonny); brothers, James Carroll Smyth of Stone Mountain, GA., Rodger Glenn Smyth of Stockbridge, GA. (Patricia); several nieces, nephews and cousins.</p> <p>Source: Columbus Ledger-Enquirer, Columbus, GA, July 4, 2007, extracted September 28, 2007.</p> |

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| <p>Snyder, David T. (Includes Stephenson, Dion)</p> | <p>Two Families Bury Sons Killed In Ground Battle Families in Utah and New York on Monday buried sons, mourning two of the 11 Marines killed last month in the first ground action of the Persian Gulf War.</p> <p>"The death of this fine young man has touched us all," the Rev. Rudolph A. Daz told more than 1,000 people who attended the funeral of Marine Lance Cpl. Dion Stephenson in Salt Lake City.</p> <p>"We come to honor him for the gift he gave to his family and us ... he died for the people of Kuwait," Daz said.</p> <p>Marine Corps Commandant Alfred M. Gray, Corps Sgt. Maj. David Sommers and Sen. Orrin Hatch were among those attending a funeral Mass for the fallen Marine at the Roman Catholic Cathedral of the Madeleine.</p> <p>Stephenson, 22, was among 11 Marines killed Jan. 29 in the first ground action of the war, an unidentified seven of them by so-called friendly fire.</p> <p>Bells tolled as six Marine pallbearers escorted the shroud-covered casket to the front of the congregation. Outside, American flags ringed the cathedral as 17 police, sheriff and Highway Patrol motorcycles waited to escort the procession to the Bountiful City Cemetery north of Salt Lake.</p> <p>In Kenmore, N.Y., 21-year-old Lance Cpl. David T. Snyder was eulogized as a man who upheld the traditions of his service.</p> <p>"The Marines have a faithful statement - Semper Fidelis: always faithful," Navy chaplain David Brown told mourners at the funeral.</p> <p>"David has proven that model to be true, and joins the ranks of others who have gone before him to preserve and protect the rights of other people," Brown said.</p> <p>About 100 people attended the service at St. Andrew's Roman Catholic Church in the Buffalo suburb where Snyder grew up.</p> <p>Source: Tulsa World, Tulsa, OK, Feb. 12, 1991, extracted May 24, 2007.</p> |
| <p>Socorro, Pedro Felipe</p> | <p>Services will be this evening in Miami for Army Chief Warrant Officer Pedro Felipe Socorro, who died last week when his Apache helicopter crashed near Fort Rucker in Alabama. He would have been 36 this week.</p> <p>Socorro was a 19-year Army veteran. As soon as he could, he enlisted in the Army, said Socorro's brother-in-law, Renier Martin. He went up the ranks to become a chief warrant officer-3 and a helicopter pilot instructor. He also took college courses.</p> <p>Socorro flew Apaches during Operation Desert Storm, Martin said.</p> <p>"He was a great person, very responsible with his family," Martin said.</p> <p>Socorro often visited Miami, where his mother, Cirina Socorro, and son, Donny, live. Other survivors include his wife, Deborah.</p> |

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| | <p>Services will be at 8 p.m. at Rivero Funeral Home, 3344 SW Eighth St.</p> <p>Source: The Miami Herald, Miami, FL, May 25, 1993, extracted May 29, 2007.</p> |
| <p>Sorce, Peter Jonathan</p> | <p>VIRGINIA BEACH, VA - Peter Jonathan Sorce of Virginia Beach, VA, originally of Poughkeepsie, NY passed away suddenly on Friday, July 14, 2006.</p> <p>Born July 29, 1971 in Poughkeepsie, NY, he was the beloved son of Frances L. and Peter J. Sorce of the Town of Poughkeepsie, NY. Brother of Christopher M. Sorce and his wife Amanda and Timothy M. Sorce; grandson to Mary R. Sorce; nephew of Robert A. and Kathryn Sorce, Mary Jo Sorce, Margaret (Peggy) and Peter Doran, Gail and Greg Walsh, John A. Ryan, and Deborah Ryan; many great aunts and great uncles; and numerous cousins. He was predeceased by paternal grandfather, Peter A. Sorce and maternal grandparents, Catherine and John Ryan.</p> <p>Peter Jonathan Sorce attended St. Peter's Church and School, where he was an altar boy; Haviland Middle School, and was a graduate of F.D. Roosevelt High School Class of 1990. He graduated from Tidewater Community College, VA. He was also a member of Boy Scout Troop 17.</p> <p>He served honorably in the U.S. Navy from 1990 to 1997 aboard the USS Guadalcanal in the Mediterranean and Persian Gulf during Operations Desert Storm/Desert Shield. He received numerous medals and commendations including the Joint Meritorious Commendation and the Kuwait Liberation Medal. He also served at NAS Oceana, VA as a Law Enforcement Officer.</p> <p>After service he was employed at St. Juliens Creek Naval Annex with DRMO and CACI. He coached several youth athletic teams during his time in Virginia. He was also a volunteer firefighter with the Fairview Fire Company in Poughkeepsie, NY. Peter was very loving and touched the hearts and lives of many.</p> <p>Visitation will be Sunday, July 23, 2006 from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. at the William G. Miller & Son Funeral Home, Inc., 371 Hooker Ave., Poughkeepsie. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Monday, July 24, 1 p.m., at Our Lady of the Rosary Chapel of St. Peter's Parish, 185 Hudson View Dr., Poughkeepsie, NY. Burial will follow with military honors in the family plot in St. Peter's Cemetery.</p> <p>Memorial donations may be made to the Disabled American Veteran's Association, PO Box 14301, Cincinnati, Ohio 45250.</p> <p>Source: The Poughkeepsie Journal, NY, July 21, 2006, extracted September 22, 2007.</p> |
| <p>Spahr, David Allen</p> | <p>Spahr, David Allen</p> <p>YORK David Allen Spahr, 45, of 1001 Hilton Ave., York, died Sunday at his home.</p> <p>The service will be 2 p.m. Saturday at the Cocklin Funeral Home, 30 N. Chestnut St., Dillsburg. Burial will be in Barrens Salem Union Cemetery in Washington Township, with military honors. Viewing will be 1 to 2 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home.</p> <p>Mr. Spahr was born Oct. 17, 1950, in York. He was the son of Clarence Spahr Jr. of York and the late June Elaine (McCormick) Spahr.</p> |

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| | <p>He worked for the Department of Defense Civil Service at the former New Cumberland Army Depot. He was a U.S. Marine veteran of the Vietnam War and Desert Storm. He was a member of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7374 York, Cat Boat Association and Smithsonian Association, and a life member of American Legion Post 791 in Shiloh and Disabled American Veterans White Rose Chapter 28.</p> <p>Mr. Spahr also is survived by a brother, Clarence "Sparkey" Spahr III of Dillsburg; a sister, Vanessa R. Bahn of Mechanicsburg; and nephews.</p> <p>Officiating at the service will be the Rev. Donald J. Ciampa and the Rev. Donald C. Rowe.</p> <p>Memorial contributions may be made to Four Diamonds Fund, Hershey Medical Center, Hershey 17033; or to York County Veterans Honor Guard, Box 211, Dover 17315.</p> <p>Source: York Daily Record, York, PA, Dec. 22, 1995, extracted June 16, 2007.</p> |
| Spaur, Bryan Perry | <p>Spaur, Bryan Perry</p> <p>SPAUR, BRYAN PERRY, 42, of Tampa, died Wednesday (Nov. 16, 1994) in Tampa. He was born in Charleston, W.Va., and came here in 1988. He was an Army veteran of the Vietnam War and Desert Storm. Survivors include two brothers, Gerald, Rockland, Mass., and Allan, Quincy, Mass. Holloway Funeral Home, Oldsmar.</p> <p>Source: St. Petersburg Times, St. Petersburg, FL, Dec. 8, 1994, extracted June 15, 2007.</p> |
| Speicher, Jeffrey William | <p>A Fort Bragg soldier has died from injuries in a single-vehicle tractor-trailer accident Dec. 21 in Saudi Arabia, Fort Bragg officials said Monday.</p> <p>Pfc. Jeffrey William Speicher, 20, of Somerset, Pa., died Friday. He was a photo and layout specialist assigned to 100th Engineer Company (Topo), 30th Engineer Battalion, 20th Engineer Brigade, 18th Airborne Corps.</p> <p>Pfc. Speicher is the third Fort Bragg soldier and the second member of 20th Engineer Brigade to die in the deployment that began in early August.</p> <p>He was medically evacuated to Landstuhl, Germany, and transferred to the Koblenz Burn Center in Koblenz, Germany, where he died, said Lisa Williamson, a Fort Bragg spokesman.</p> <p>The Army is investigating the incident, Miss Williamson said.</p> <p>Pfc. Speicher is among 94 service members to die in Operation Desert Shield, said Lt. Cmdr. Ken Satterfield, a Pentagon spokesman. Of that number, 53 died in Saudi Arabia and 41 were killed in related operations elsewhere.</p> <p>Pfc. Speicher joined the Army in August 1989 and came to Fort Bragg in October 1989.</p> <p>He is survived by his parents, Jay Speicher and Audrey Hill of Camp Hill, Pa.</p> <p>The other Fort Bragg soldiers killed in Desert Shield are Pfc. Dustin Craig Lamoureux, 20, and Spec. Robert Allan Noonan, 21.</p> |

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| | <p>Other soldiers to die in the Mideast with ties to Cumberland County or Fort Bragg are Sgt. Melvin McDougle of Stedman, Sgt. Tommy A. Blue of Spring Lake and Sgt. Donald Danielson, a soldier in a reserve unit attached to Fort Bragg's 1st Corps Support Command.</p> <p>Pfc. Lamoureux of Bremerton, Wash., a crane operator, was assigned to Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 27th Engineer Battalion, 20th Engineer Brigade. He died Dec. 5 when he was trapped between an Army truck and a pallet of construction materials. Spec. Noonan of Cincinnati, Ohio, an anti-armor weapons specialist, was assigned to Company D, 1st Battalion, 505th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 82nd Airborne Division. He died Sept. 20 in an accident involving a HMMWV, High Mobility Multi-Purpose Wheeled Vehicle, also known as a Hum-V.</p> <p>Sgt. McDougle, 35, was serving with the 101st Airborne Division at Fort Campbell, Ky., when he died from injuries received Dec. 20 after a gun exploded.</p> <p>Sgt. Blue, 33, was assigned to C Battery, 2nd Battalion, 11th Air Defense Artillery Regiment of Fort Bliss, Texas. He collapsed and died Dec. 30 in Saudi Arabia, an Army spokesman said.</p> <p>Services for Sgt. Blue will be conducted at 2 p.m. Wednesday at John F. Kennedy Memorial Chapel on Fort Bragg. Burial will be in Fort Bragg Main Post Cemetery with military honors.</p> <p>Sgt. Danielson was killed Dec. 29 when he was pulled into a water pump at a desalination plant in Saudi Arabia.</p> <p>He was assigned to 79th Water Support Company, 419th Quartermaster Battalion, 507th Transportation Group. His logistical support unit is part of COSCOM only during Desert Shield and is not a Fort Bragg unit, said spokesman Sgt. 1st Class Debbie Arden.</p> <p>Source: The Fayetteville Observer, Fayetteville, NC, Jan. 8, 1991, extracted May 25, 2007.</p> |
| Spencer, Glenn Eugene | <p>Montville - Glenn Eugene Spencer, 45, of 7 Brewer St., Uncasville, passed away peacefully at home with his family by his side on Feb. 11, 2004.</p> <p>He was born July 27, 1958, in Marin, Calif. He married Darlene "Debi" "Compassionate Flower" Brown on June 9, 1987 in King George, Va.</p> <p>He served in the U.S. Navy and was a veteran of Desert Storm.</p> <p>He worked at the Mohegan Sun Casino as an I.S. Supervisor.</p> <p>He was extremely active in his church, the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Waterford. He was a student at Three Rivers Community College, where he was studying computer science.</p> <p>In addition to his wife, he is survived by his father, Ret. Lt. Leland Spencer and wife Mary Ann; his mother, Jeannine (Williams) Monson and husband Maurice; his sons, Allen E. Spencer and wife Gretchen, Jonathon G. Spencer and wife</p> |

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| | <p>Courtney Jo, and Michael Zur-Bryden; his daughters, Marie D. Mather and husband Matthew, Lena Aftyn and husband Sean Bartusiak; his sisters, Brenda Wright and husband John, Bronwen A. Rutter and husband Nathaniel; and nine grandchildren.</p> <p>Calling hours will be held from 4 to 6 p.m. today at the Montville Funeral Home of Church and Allen.</p> <p>A funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. Monday at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 12 Dunbar Rd. in Waterford. Burial will follow in Fort Shantok Cemetery.</p> <p>Source: The Day, New London, CT, Feb. 14, 2004, extracted August 13, 2007.</p> |
| Sperry, David C. | <p>Staff Sgt. David G. Sperry, 32, of Fayetteville died Feb. 29th in Womack Army Medical Center at Fort Bragg.</p> <p>He served in Fort Stewart, Ga., Korea, Germany and Desert Storm.</p> <p>A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. April 14 in Wilson Memorial Union Church in Watchung, N.J.</p> <p>Mr. Sperry is survived by his wife, Suk Cha Sperry; a son, David G. Sperry Jr. of Watchung; and a brother, Thomas Sperry of Leusberg, N.J.</p> <p>Memorials may be made to the David G. Sperry Jr. Scholarship Fund, c/o NatWest Bank, 59 Mountain Blvd., Warren, N.J. 07059.</p> <p>Local arrangements by Highland Funeral Service & Crematory.</p> <p>Source: The Fayetteville Observer, Fayetteville, AK, March 12, 1996, extracted June 20, 2007.</p> |
| Spickler, Thomas Alan | <p>Thomas Alan Spickler, 62, of Denton, TX passed away August 11th at the Presbyterian Hospital of Denton.</p> <p>He was born May 31, 1945 in Elizabethtown PA to Franklin Sheaffer Spickler and Mary Ann Hertz-ler Spickler. He graduated from Washington & Jefferson College in Washington, PA.</p> <p>He was retired from the U.S. Army at the rank of Lt. Col. where he served in Vietnam and Desert Storm and was employed by the Department of Defense retiring on March 30, 2006.</p> <p>He married Dianne Owens Robinson on January 2, 2003 in Denton. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Denton and First Church of God in Elizabethtown PA. He was a life member of the VFW and American Legion as well as a member of the Vietnam Veterans of America and a 32nd degree Mason, member of the Grand Lodge, Abraham C. Treichler Lodge 682, F. & A.M. of Elizabethtown, PA.</p> <p>Source: Intelligencer Journal, Lancaster, PA, August 14, 2007, extracted September 28, 2007.</p> |
| Spillman, Keith | <p>ST. JOSEPH - Keith Spilman, 39, of St. Joseph, formerly of Sidney, passed away at 2:30 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 19, 2007, at Carle Foundation Hospital, Urbana.</p> |

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| | <p>Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 22, 2007, at Freese Funeral Home, 202 W. Main, Sidney, with the Rev. Ken Hutchens officiating. Burial will be at Mount Hope Cemetery, Sidney. Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. Military rites will be accorded by VFW Post 5520.</p> <p>Mr. Spilmon was born Aug. 4, 1968, in Aurora, Colo., a son of Elmer and Maxine Healea Spilmon. They survive in Bellflower. He married Tami Branson on Oct. 8, 1994, in Sidney. She survives.</p> <p>Also surviving are two daughters, Haley and Marissa Spilmon of Sidney; a sister, Tobi Spilmon of Bellflower; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.</p> <p>He was preceded in death by his grandparents.</p> <p>Mr. Spilmon served in the United States Army in the 82nd Airborne from 1987 to 1993 and then one year in the National Guard. He served in Desert Storm and the Panama Conflict.</p> <p>He graduated from Clinton High School in 1986. He was employed at Rahn's Equipment Co., Danville. He loved going to his daughter's sporting events, softball, volleyball and basketball.</p> <p>He even coached his daughter's softball team. He enjoyed fishing and NASCAR.</p> <p>In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made at Longview State Bank in Sidney, c/o Haley Spilmon Education Fund.</p> <p>"Dad, we love you and miss you. You will always be in our hearts," Love Haley and Rissa.</p> <p>Source: The News-Gazette, Champaign-Urbana, IL, September 20, 2007, extracted October 6, 2007.</p> |
| <p>Spire, Ronald R.</p> | <p>SPIRE, RONALD R., 44, of Copperas Cove, Texas, formerly of Largo and St. Petersburg, died Saturday (March 20, 1999) at home. He came to St. Petersburg in 1971 from his native Gowanda, N.Y. He retired from the Army as a sergeant first class and was a veteran of Desert Storm. He worked for Trinity Truck Lines in Copperas Cove. Survivors include his wife, Kathy; a son, Daniel, and a daughter, Stephanie Spire, all of Copperas Cove; his mother, Sarah Vance Spire, Largo; a brother, Gerald, St.Petersburg; and three sisters, Gloria McNeal, Pinellas Park, Teresa Hagood, Winter Haven, and Cynthia Roundtree, Reno, Nev. Crawford Bowers Chapel, Copperas Cove, Texas.</p> <p>Source: St. Petersburg Times, St. Petersburg, FL, April 6, 1999, extracted July 12, 2007.</p> |
| <p>Spires, Sr., Charles Troy</p> | <p>Services for Charles Troy Spires Sr., 51, of 219 Boltin Ave. will be 3 p.m. Saturday at North United Methodist Church with interment in Riverside Cemetery with full Military Rites. Rev. Matt Rucker will be officiating. Visitation will be 7-9 this evening at Culler-McAlhany Funeral Home.</p> <p>Mr. Spires died Wednesday. A native of neeses, he was son of Naomi Stanfield Spires and the late Eddie Spires. He was a member of North United Methodist Church and member of North Masonic Lodge 119 AFM, where he was Past Master and a member of the American Legion. Master Sergeant Spires joined the S.C. Army National Guard in 1979, after serving with the U.S. Army</p> |

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| | <p>Reserve. He served in the 163rd Support Battalion in Orangeburg and West Columbia. He served as First Sergeant of the 218th Personnel Service Company in Columbia and was transferred to the Headquarters State Area command S.C. in 1993 where he helped establish the Personnel Service Center of the Military Personnel Directorate of the Adjutant General Office in Columbia. Master Sergeant Spires served on Active Duty as First Sergeant during the Persian Gulf War (Desert Storm) in Fort Benning, Ga. His awards include the U.S. Meritorious Service Medal, Army commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal with Two Oak Leaf Clusters, Army Good Conduct Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal with Silver Hourglass and "M" Device, S.C. Exceptional Service Medal, S.C. Achievement Ribbon and the S.C. Governor's Unit Citation. Other service medals and ribbons include the Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal, Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon, Army Reserve Components Overseas Training Ribbon and the S.C. Active State Service Medal. Master Sergeant Spires received the Command Sergeant Major's Award upon completion of the U.S. Army Sergeants Major Academy in June, 1999. Master Sergeant Spires was admired by all who served with him.</p> <p>Surviving are his wife, Diane Robinson Spires; daughter, Julie Toole of Springfield; son, Charles Troy Spires Jr. of North; mother of North; sisters, Angie Cook of North, Rose Vella of West Columbia; brother, E.T. spires of Branchville; grandson, Chandler Toole; granddaughter, Caitlin Toole.</p> <p>Source: The State, Columbia, SC, July 28, 2000, extracted May 28, 2007</p> |
| <p>Sporleder, Timothy H.</p> | <p>Petty Officer 2nd Class Timothy H. Sporleder</p> <p>Petty Officer 2nd Class Timothy H. Sporleder, 31, of Rota, Spain, formerly of Blue Springs, died Saturday, June 19, 2004, in Spain.</p> <p>Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 29, at Campbell-Lewis Funeral Home in Marshall. William W. Harlow will officiate. Visitation will be from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Monday, June 28, at the funeral home. Burial with military rites at graveside will be in Bethlehem Cemetery in Saline County. Memorials are suggested to the Alzheimer's Association.</p> <p>Born Dec. 3, 1972, in Independence, he was the son of Howard N. Sporleder and Carolyn S. Wiley Sporleder, who survive of Climax Springs. He was raised in Blue Springs and attended Blue Springs High School. He joined the U.S. Navy in 1999 and served on the USS Abraham Lincoln for four years, serving two tours in the Persian Gulf during the Iraqi war. He was recognized with the Enlisted Aviation Warfare Specialist Pin, Coast Guard Meritorious Unit Commendation Ribbon, Armed Forces Expedition Medal with Bronze Star, Meritorious Unit Commendation Ribbon, National Defense Medal, Sea Service Deployment Ribbon with Bronze Star, Good Conduct Medal, Flag Letter of Commendation, Admiral's Challenge Coin and Arleigh Burke Award for Excellence for the period of Feb. 28, 2002, to July 1, 2003.</p> <p>Additional survivors include paternal grandmother, Margret Sporleder of Marshall; maternal grandparents, Jim and Dorothy Wiley of Marshall; one sister, Amy Sporleder of Medford, Ore.; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.</p> <p>He was preceded in death by his paternal grandfather, Howard W. Sporleder.</p> <p>Source: The Marshall Democrat-News, Marshall MO, June 28, 2004.</p> |

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| Spradlin, Terry Lee | <p>Terry Lee Spradlin, 55, of Elkview died Wednesday, July 18, 2007, at home after a long illness.</p> <p>Terry was a member of Sunny Hill Baptist Church, Pigeon. He was a retired Army veteran who served during Vietnam and Desert Storm.</p> <p>He was the son of the late Lawrence Edward and Ruby Lee Hogue Spradlin and was also preceded in death by his brothers, Vernon Ray and Guy Lane Spradlin, and a grandson, Dominic Ryan Cassell.</p> <p>He is survived by his ex-wife, Dawn Spradlin of Clendenin; sons, Franklin William Spradlin and his wife, Erin Nicole, of Summersville and Terry Lee Spradlin II of Elkview; daughter, Alyssa Sue Cassell of Clendenin; brothers, Larry Spradlin of Houston, Texas, and Jay Spradlin of Chickasha, Okla.; sister, Kay Howell Spradlin of Denham Springs, La.; and grandchildren, Calieb Michael, Codie Alexander and Jaccob Paul Cassell and Isabella Nicole and Landon J. Mathew Spradlin.</p> <p>Funeral service will be 8 p.m. Saturday, July 21, at Matics Funeral Home, Clendenin, with the Rev. Jack McCune officiating.</p> <p>Visitation will be from two hours prior to service at the funeral home.</p> <p>Source: Charleston Daily Mail, Charleston, WV, July 20, 2007, extracted September 28, 2007.</p> |
| Spratt, Isaac | <p>Spratt, Isaac</p> <p>ISAAC SPRATT</p> <p>LAYTON--Isaac Spratt, age 34, passed away Monday, May 23, 1994 at his home of complications due to a heart condition.</p> <p>He was born December 30, 1959 in Beaufort, South Carolina, a son of Howard and Albertha Spratt.</p> <p>He was reared and educated in South Carolina. Graduated from Baptist College, Charleston, South Carolina in 1981 with a bachelor's degree in accounting. He was a member of the Horsepond Baptist Church, Grayshill, South Carolina. In 1988 he graduated from Maxwell Air Force Base Squadron Officers School. In 1982, he joined the U.S. Air Force and honorably served his country, including a tour in Desert Storm, until he resigned his commission December 1992 at the rank of captain.</p> <p>He was assigned to the 388FW at Hill Air Force Base in 1988. He was involved in numerous community activities. He was past vice president of Beehive Chapter of Blacks in Government (BIG) and also served as Regional President. He was a lifetime member of Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity where he held the position of Recording and Correspondence secretary. He was dedicated to promoting equality and justice for everyone.</p> <p>He is survived by two sons, Anthony Spratt, Beaufort, So. Carolina; Brandon A. West-Spratt, Lake Mary, Fla.; his mother, Albertha Spratt, Beaufort, So. Carolina; a grandmother, Irma Jean Spratt, Oakland, Calif.; four brothers, three sisters, three aunts, one uncle, numerous nieces and nephews, and a host of relatives and friends.</p> |

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| | <p>Funeral services will be held in Beaufort, So. Carolina: Marshall-Wright-Donaldson Mortuary, 1814-1816 Green St., Beaufort, SC 29901, (803) 525-6625</p> <p>A memorial service will held 11-12, Tuesday, May 31, 1994, at the Hill AFB Chapel (777-2106).</p> <p>Isaac had a zeal and love of life that touched everyone he met. His friends are too numerous to count. He will be missed by everyone who knew and loved him.</p> <p>Local directors, Myers Mortuary, Layton.</p> <p>Source: The Salt Lake Tribune, Slat Lake City, UT, May 27, 1994, extracted June 15, 2007.</p> |
| <p>Spreutels, Jeffrey T.</p> | <p>Jeffrey T. Spreutels, age 38, of 71184 Cayuga Road, Mellen, passed away Wednesday, Aug. 3, 2005, at Saint Mary's Medical Center in Duluth, Minn.</p> <p>Jeff was born Nov. 17, 1966, in Green Bay, the son of Gary T. and Roxann M. (Schiller) Spreutels. He served eight years in the U.S. Marine Corps and was on active duty during the Persian Gulf War. On Jan. 1, 2001, he was united in marriage to Sherryl M. Strook at Ashland. He was employed at Weather Shield in Park Falls, for over four years. He was post commander and a lifetime member of the Mellen VFW. He taught hunters safety to area youth for the past 15 years and was an avid outdoorsman who enjoyed hunting and fishing with his son and friends.</p> <p>Survivors include his wife, Sherryl of Cayuga; his mother, Roxann of Mellen; son, Hunter of Ashland; future daughter, Hope; maternal grandmother, Esther Harmon of San Francisco, Calif.; sister, Kristin (Mark) Campa of Columbus, Ohio; niece, Taylor Campa; nephews, Christopher and Nicholas Campa; numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.</p> <p>He was preceded in death by his father, Gary.</p> <p>A Funeral Service will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 6, at the Congregational United Church of Christ in Mellen, with the Rev. James Imse officiating.</p> <p>Interment will take place in the Cayuga Cemetery, Cayuga, with military honors under the auspices of the Mellen VFW Post #2273.</p> <p>Visitation will begin at 10 a.m. on Saturday at the church in Mellen and continue until the hour of service.</p> <p>Funeral arrangements entrusted to the Mountain Funeral Home of Ashland and Mellen.</p> <p>Source: Park Falls Herald, Park Falls, WI, Aug. 5, 2005.</p> |
| <p>Sprouse, Leonard Sigl</p> | <p>Services for Leonard Sigl Sprouse, 47, will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, March 28, 2000 at Jackson Creek Baptist Church, with the Reverend Tommy Thurston officiating. Burial will be in Arlington National Cemetery. The family will receive friends 6-8 tonight at Shives Funeral Home.</p> <p>Mr. Sprouse died Friday, March 24, 2000. Born in Asheville, N.C., he was the son</p> |

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| | <p>of Leonard Carroll Sprouse and Barbara Sprouse Stamey. He was a member of NCO and on active duty during the Vietnam Conflict, Desert Storm, and the Gulf War.</p> <p>Surviving are his wife, Doris R. Sprouse; daughter, Elisha Sprouse of Columbia; brothers, Gary Eugene Stamey of St. Charles, Va., David Kevin Stamey of Pennington Gap, Va.; sisters, Linda Edgar, Rita Sutton, both of St. Charles, Va., Carolyn Taylor, Nola Kay Creech, both of Pennington Gap, Va., Rebecca Holloway of Woodway, Va.; eight nephews; five nieces. A special love and appreciation is given to Boyd Lee Stamey, stepfather.</p> <p>Source: The State, Columbia, SC, Mar. 27, 2000, extracted May 28, 2007</p> |
| <p>St. Laurent, Donald W.</p> | <p>MANCHESTER - Donald W. St. Laurent, 48, of 67 Prospect St., died of cancer on Thursday, June 10, 2004, at Eliot Hospital in Manchester.</p> <p>Born Dec. 17, 1955, he was the son of Wilfred E. and Elsie M. (Buswell) St. Laurent and grew up in East Kingston.</p> <p>As a child, he spent most of his free time helping out at the Maplevale Turkey Farm and forged a lifelong bond with the Levis family.</p> <p>He graduated from Raymond High School, then joined the U.S. Army. After his four years he became a part of the National Guard, serving in the Gulf War and staying on until retirement.</p> <p>He worked for S&J Transportation of Lee and was proud that he drove trucks for them to transport the U.S. mail. It was through S&J Transportation-sponsored teams that he developed his passion for auto racing. He spent many happy years helping out their teams.</p> <p>Since his illness he had moved to Washington Manor in Manchester, a care facility that surrounded him with love and caring; a place that was home to him. A special thanks to Rayann, Nancy, Peter and Susan.</p> <p>He was predeceased by his sister, Marilyn Spears and her husband, Bill.</p> <p>Members of his family include his sisters, June Wilson and her husband, Don, of Grottoes, Va., Shirley Shea and her husband, Jim, of Rochester; a brother, Dean St. Laurent and his wife, Theresa, of Rochester; and many aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.</p> <p>Family and friends may visit Sunday evening from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the R.M. Edgerly & Son Funeral Home, 86 South Main St., Rochester.</p> <p>The funeral service will be Monday at 11 a.m. in the chapel of the funeral home.</p> <p>If desired, memorial contributions may be made to the charity of one's choice.</p> <p>Source: Foster's Daily Democrat, Laconia NH, June 12, 2004.</p> |
| <p>St. Mary, Dwight F.</p> | <p>Dwight F. St. Mary, 30, Thomas Road, drowned after his canoe capsized Monday on Meacham Lake in the Franklin County town of Duane. He was last seen in rough waters early Monday afternoon.</p> <p>A search was mounted after his canoe was found upside down on the water along with a life jacket, paddles and personal belongings, officials said. His</p> |

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| | <p>body was found in the lake at 11:35 a.m. Tuesday.</p> <p>Mr. St. Mary served with the Air Force in Spain and the Persian Gulf region during Operation Desert Storm and was honorably discharged in September 1992.</p> <p>He was a technology teacher at Salmon River Central School, Fort Covington, from December 1996 to June 1997, and at a school in Mayberry, N.C., from September 1997 to June 1998. In September 1998, he accepted a position as technology teacher at Brushton-Moira Central School, Brushton, where he was instrumental in initiating the return of Future Farmers of America, served as eighth-grade basketball coach and assisted in school functions.</p> <p>He was born Sept. 25, 1968, in Malone, a son of Daniel and Harriet Westurn St. Mary. He was a 1987 graduate of Brushton-Moira Central School, received an associate's degree from North Country Community College, Saranac Lake, and a bachelor's degree from Oswego State University College.</p> <p>He was a member of Pilgrim Holiness Church, Brushton, and New York State United Teachers. He enjoyed outdoor activities and was a certified hiking guide.</p> <p>Surviving besides his parents, of Malone, are his companion, Jay E. Lamb, Malone; a sister, Sharon A. St. Mary, also of Malone; a niece, two uncles, three aunts and several cousins.</p> <p>The funeral will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Flint Funeral Home, Moira, with the Rev. James Davis officiating. Burial will be in Sunnyside Cemetery, Brushton.</p> <p>Calling hours are 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. today at the funeral home. Donations may be made to Future Farmers of America, in care of Brushton-Moira Central School, Gale Road, Brushton, N.Y. 12916.</p> <p>Source: Watertown Daily Times, Watertown, NY, July 8, 1999, extracted July 14, 2007.</p> |
| <p>Stacey, Ronald L.</p> | <p>Ronald L. Stacey, age 32, resident of 628-1 Bell Rd. Kings Mountain, NC died December 13, 2000. He was a native of Yuma, AZ. He was preceded in death by a brother, Marvin Barnett. He was a former employee of Cleveland Co. Sheriff's Dept. and served in the United States Army where he served in 'Just Cause' in Panama and earned the Purple Heart, he also served in Desert Storm. He was a member of Oak Grove Baptist Church, Kings Mountain, NC, he was a Mason and member of the Creasy Proctor Lodge #679, Fayetteville, NC.</p> <p>Survivors are his wife, Diane Clippard Stacey, Kings Mountain, NC; parents, Jerry D. and Marie Davis Stacey of Kings Mountain, NC; grandfather, J.B. Stacey of Kings Mountain, NC; sons, Austin Stacey and Dakota Stacey both of Kings Mountain, NC; daughter, Priscilla Stacey of Sanford, NC; brothers, Carl Barnett of Kings Mountain, NC, Tony Barnett of San Diego, CA, and Dallas Stacey, Doug Stacey, and Mark Stacey all of Kings Mountain, NC; sister, Lisa Jestes of Kings Mountain, NC; and a number of nieces and nephews.</p> <p>Funeral services will be held 3:00pm Saturday, December 16, 2000 at Oak Grove Baptist Church with Rev. Ron Caulder officiating. Interment, with military honors, will follow in the church cemetery. The family will receive friends from 7:00pm until 9:00pm Friday, December 15, 2000 at Harris Funeral</p> |

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| | <p>Home.</p> <p>Harris Funeral Home is serving the family of Mr. Stacey.</p> <p>Source: The Charlotte Observer, Charlotte, NV, Dec. 15, 2000, extracted May 28, 2007</p> |
| <p>Stader II, Michael S.</p> | <p>Michael S. Stader II, 35, formerly of Evansville and Newburgh, died Friday, Aug. 6, 1999, at his home in Escondido, Calif.</p> <p>He was a 1982 graduate of Castle High School.</p> <p>He was a 15-year Navy veteran serving in the commissioning of the USS Gary, the USS Chancellorsville and the USS Fitzgerald. He was a Gulf War and Desert Storm veteran and had received several meritorious awards.</p> <p>Surviving are his wife, Gail; a daughter, Samantha of Escondido; a son, Michael III of Escondido; his mother, Connee Stader of Memphis, Tenn.; his father and stepmother, Michael and Cheryl Stader of Newburgh; four sisters, Misty Mills of Princeton, Ind., Carol Stader and Lori Pearce, both of Evansville, and Kendra Stader of Newburgh; his grandmother, Mary Louise Sexton-Smith of Memphis; and a niece and nephews.</p> <p>Services will be held in Escondido where he will be cremated and his ashes scattered at sea off Point Loma.</p> <p>Source: Evansville Courier & Press, Evansville, IN, Aug. 9, 1999, extracted July 13, 2007.</p> |
| <p>Stafford, Denise E.</p> | <p>Denise Elizabeth Stafford, 42, died Tuesday, December 12, at Volunteer Community Hospital in Martin, of smoke inhalation following a fire at home. Services were held Friday, December 16, at Gleason First Baptist Church with the Revs. Keith Sumner and Mike Jeffers officiating. Burial followed in Hopewell Cemetery. Gallimore Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. Mrs. Stafford was born June 19, 1963, in Steele, Missouri, to Bill and Joan Lyon Bolin, both deceased. She was a housewife and a disabled veteran of the Gulf War.</p> <p>Her death coincided that of her husband, Joe Craig Stafford; one daughter, Jeri Lynn Stafford; and one son, Samuel Colt Stafford.</p> <p>She is survived by one son, Matt Stafford; foster parents, Sam and Daisy Whitener of Farmington, Missouri; eight brothers: Bill Heinen of Kennett Missouri, Charley Bolin of Gleason, John Heinen of Steele, Missouri, James Bolin of Springfield, Missouri, Ronnie Bolin of Greenville, South Carolina, David Bolin of Gleason, Dan Bolin of Merced, California, and Eric Heinen of Steele, Missouri; three sisters: Alma Lorck of Farmington, Missouri, Margaret Hawkains of Paducah, Kentucky, and Phyllis Bolin of Cape Girardeau, Missouri.</p> <p>Source: McKenzie Banner, McKenzie, TN, Dec. 21, 2005.</p> |
| <p>Staggers, Stacy P.</p> | <p>Stacy P. Staggers, 49, of Waynesburg, died Thursday, April 5, 2007, in Washington Hospital.</p> <p>He was born December 9, 1957, in Waynesburg, a son of the late Donald L. and Florence A. Kerns Staggers.</p> <p>Mr. Staggers was a laborer for All-Clad Metalcrafters Inc., Cecil Township, and worked on the riverboat for Tri-River and Consol Inc.</p> |

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| | <p>He served in the U.S. Army during Desert Storm and Grenada.</p> <p>Mr. Staggers was a member of Disabled American Veterans 123 of Waynesburg.</p> <p>Surviving is his companion, Deborah Black Basinger, with whom he lived for 11 years; a stepson, Joshua Basinger of Kittanning; a brother, David Staggers of Jefferson; two nephews, Michael Staggers and Christopher Staggers; and a niece, Amanda Staggers.</p> <p>Deceased is a sister, Vicki Rae Staggers.</p> <p>Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 6 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 10, the hour of services, in Behm Funeral Homes Inc., 1477 Jefferson Road, Jefferson, Gregory P. Rohanna, supervisor, with Pastor Jeffrey W. Hughes officiating. Interment will be in Jefferson Cemetery, Jefferson. Military rites will be accorded by American Legion Post 330, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4793 and Disabled American Veterans Post 123, all of Waynesburg.</p> <p>Source: Observer-Reporter, Washington, PA, April 6, 2007, extracted September 23, 2007.</p> |
| <p>Stalter, Richard H.</p> | <p>Richard Henry Stalter, 53, passed away suddenly on November 4, 2004 in his Ephrata, Wash. home. He was a former longtime resident of Longview.</p> <p>He was born April 26, 1951 in Denver, Colo. He lived in Longview from 1963 to 1987, graduating from Mark Morris High School in 1970 and Lower Columbia College.</p> <p>Rick loved his country and was proud and felt strongly about his service to it. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War era and the Gulf War. During the course of his military career, he went from the Air Force to the Washington Army National Guard and finally ending his career in the Army as a sergeant in the reserves. He served in the Air Force during the Vietnam War and in Desert Storm in the Army National Guard.</p> <p>Known to almost everyone as Rick, he was a very caring and loving husband, father, uncle and friend. He was generous and giving. His hobbies and passions were many. He loved baseball, fishing, gardening and history. He also loved writing poetry and short stories. He derived great joy from barbecuing, feeding people, and being a host.</p> <p>Rick enjoyed helping and teaching others, especially young people. He was fascinated by and interested in the whole world around him. His latest endeavor was as an entrepreneur, starting a craft business with his wife, daughter and a couple of friends.</p> <p>Rick met his wife in Longview in 1977. They were married on October 8, 1982.</p> <p>He is survived by: his wife of 22 years, Laura Kay (Stout) Stalter; his daughter, Jennifer Suzanne Stalter, 19; his son, Nathaniel Isaiah Stalter, 10; parents, John J. and Kathryn L. Stalter; two sisters, Ginger Meyer and Alice Huford; three brothers, Larry Stalter, Robert Stalter and Kevin Stalter; and many nieces, nephews and great-nieces and nephews.</p> <p>His wife and children ask that donations be made and marked for asthma</p> |

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| | <p>research in his honor and memory and sent to the American Lung Association for Asthma Research, 2625 Third Ave., Seattle, WA 98121.</p> <p>A memorial service will be held at a later date.</p> <p>Arrangements are in care of Benson Family Funeral Service, Chapel, Crematory and Cemetery, Moses Lake.</p> <p>Source: Columbia Basin Herald, Moses Lake, WA, Nov. 16, 2004.</p> |
| <p>Stancill, Michael W.</p> | <p>Mr. Michael Willis Stancill, 43, died Thursday, Feb. 12, 2004, as the result of injuries sustained in an automobile accident. The funeral service will be conducted at 2 p.m. Sunday in the Wilkerson Funeral Chapel. Burial will follow in Mt. Pleasant Christian Church Cemetery.</p> <p>Mr. Stancill was a Pitt County native and lifelong resident of Greenville. He served in the 82nd Airborne Division of the United States Army during the Persian Gulf War. While stationed at Fort Benning, Ga., he was selected to serve as honor guard in Washington, D.C. He had attended J.H. Rose High School, Pitt Community College — where he received a degree in computers — and later East Carolina University. He was a member of the Disabled American Veterans, Pitt County Chapter 37.</p> <p>Mr. Stancill was preceded in death by his mother, Dorothy Louise Harris. Surviving are his sons, Blaine Michaels Stancill and Charles Willis Chase Stancill, both of Columbia, S.C.; father, Willis J. Stancill of Greenville; sister, Willa Stancill Paton-Smith and husband, Jon, of Atlanta; brother, Dr. Robert J. Stancill and wife, Susan, of Raleigh; and honorary mother and grandmother, “G.G.” Gladys Chianello of Greenville.</p> <p>The family will receive friends from 7 to 9 tonight at Wilkerson Funeral Home, and at other times will be at the home of Gladys Chianello.</p> <p>Memorials may be made to the Disabled American Veterans Pitt County Chapter 37, P.O. Box 1216, Greenville, NC 27834.</p> <p>Source: The Daily Reflector, Greenville, NC, Feb. 14, 2004.</p> |
| <p>Stanfield, Cyril C.</p> | <p>The Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated for Cyril C. Stanfield, 51, at 10 a.m. Monday at St. Catherine of Alexandria Catholic Church in Riverside. He died Sunday of complications of surgery at Riverside Community Hospital.</p> <p>Friends may call from 4 until 8 p.m. Sunday at Preston and Simons Mortuary in Riverside. There will be a vigil service at 4 p.m.</p> <p>Interment will be in Riverside National Cemetery.</p> <p>Mr. Stanfield, who was born in Tulsa, Okla., lived in Lake Mathews five years. Previously he lived in Riverside 20 years. He was an attorney for 21 years based in Riverside until this year when he joined the firm of Herzfeld and Rubin in Orange County. He was a defense attorney specializing in medical malpractice cases.</p> <p>After graduation from Citrus Belt Law School in Riverside in 1978, he joined the Riverside firm of Roberts, Mead, Harrison and Dougherty. In 1985, he joined the firm of Fidler and Bell in Riverside, and from 1995 until this year he was affiliated with Roberts and Morgan in Riverside.</p> |

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| | <p>Mr. Stanfield was a member of the Riverside County and California State bar associations, a federal court bar group and the Association of Southern California Defense Counsel.</p> <p>He served in the U. S. Air Force from 1971 until 1978 and in the Air Force Reserves for 21 years at March Air Force Base in Moreno Valley. He was a lieutenant colonel in the reserves.</p> <p>During Desert Shield and Desert Storm, he was a KC-10 pilot and staff officer. He received the Air Force Commendation Medal. He was a member of the 452nd Air Mobility Wing at March.</p> <p>He belonged to the Air Force Association and Reserve Officers Association.</p> <p>Mr. Stanfield enjoyed riding dirt bikes and fishing. He also liked to watch drag racing.</p> <p>He is survived by his wife, Cecelia; three sons, Mathew, John and Mark, all of Riverside; a stepson, Brandon Stuhl of Riverside; and a sister, Margaret Ames of Tulsa.</p> <p>Source: The Press-Enterprise, Riverside, CA, Aug. 19, 1999, extracted July 14, 2007.</p> |
| Staples, George Arthur | <p>George Arthur Staples, Jr., 63, of Homosassa, Fla. died Tuesday evening at Hernando-Pasco Hospice Care Center in Brooksville, Fla. He was born July 13, 1942 in Factoryville, PA to George A. and Florence Staples, Sr. He retired after 28 years as an Equipmentman Master Chief in the U.S. Navy Seabees with tours of duty during the Vietnam era and Desert Storm. He was Commander of Navy Seabee Veterans of America, Island X-18 Citrus County, a member of the VFW, American Legion and the D.A.V. Mr. Staples was of the Methodist faith.</p> <p>Mr. Staples is survived by his wife of 43 years, Nancy Staples of Homosassa, Fla.; one son, U.S. Army SSG. Buck Staples (Colleen) of Ft. Bragg, NC; two daughters, Eileen Livick (J.) of Virginia Beach, VA; Valarie Caulfied (Ed) of Klamath Falls, OR; two brothers, William Staples, Ovid, NY; Thomas Staples (Juanita) of Interlaken, NY; 8 sisters, Margaret Staples, Spencer, NY; Marilyn Hickok (Cliff) of Homosassa, Fla.; Karen Staples, Niles, OH; Marie Everts (James) of Interlaken, NY; Diane Clark, Ashboro, NC; Joan Murray (Carl) Ovid, NY; Cindy Walborn, Romulus, NY; and Janet Edkin, Ovid, NY; five grandchildren, Jared, Danielle, Whitney, Coli, Grier and his two canine companions Daisy and Lily.</p> <p>The Funeral Service with full military honors will be conducted Friday, March 17, 2006 at 2:00 p.m. from the Strickland Funeral Home Chapel in Crystal River, Fla. Visitation will be from 12:00 noon until the time of service. Burial will be on Monday, March 20, 2006 at Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington, VA. The family suggests in lieu of flowers that those who wish may make a memorial contribution to Hernando-Pasco Hospice, 12107 Majestic Blvd., Hudson, FL 34667-2460.</p> <p>Source: Sun Herald, Biloxi, MS, March 16, 2006, extracted August 22, 2007.</p> |
| Starita Robert M. | <p>Robert M. Starita, 60, died Friday, April 2, 2004, at a local health care facility after a period of failing health.</p> <p>Born in Nashua on April 18, 1943, he was the son of Renato and Evelyn</p> |

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| | <p>(Sheridan) Starita.</p> <p>Mr. Starita graduated from Manchester High School West, Class of 1962. He attended Admiral Farragut Naval Academy. Later, he earned a bachelor of science degree while in the U.S. Navy.</p> <p>Mr. Starita served in the U.S. Navy for 20 years, including tours during the Vietnam War and the Persian Gulf War.</p> <p>He was a supervisor of quality control with Wal-Mart Distribution Center, Raymond, and also worked with Lenscrafters.</p> <p>He was a member of Saint Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church where he served on the parish council and was active in many church events.</p> <p>Mr. Starita was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Goffstown.</p> <p>Family members include a sister, Donna R. Orr of Epsom; a niece; and two nephews.</p> <p>Connor-Healy Funeral Home of Manchester handled the arrangements.</p> <p>Memorial donations can be made to Saint Nicholas Church Building Fund, 1160 Bridge St., Manchester, NH 03109.</p> <p>Source: Bedford Bulletin, Bedford, NH, Apr. 8, 2004.</p> |
| <p>Stark, Kevin J.</p> | <p>Stark, Kevin J.</p> <p>KEVIN J. STARK, 23, of Homosassa died Tuesday in St. Joseph's Hospital in Tampa from injuries suffered in a dirt bike accident. He moved to this area 18 years ago from his native St. Louis. He was an assistant manager for Discount Auto Parts in Crystal River, a veteran of Operation Desert Storm, serving in the U.S. Navy, and a member of the First United Methodist Church of Homosassa. He is survived by his wife, Echo D. Meyer; his parents, Kenneth E. Sr. and Karen J. of Homosassa; two brothers, Lee and Kenneth E. Jr., both of Homosassa; and a sister, Tania R. of Homosassa; paternal grandfather, Wilbur of Arcola, Mo.; paternal grandmother, Jackie Steif of St. Louis; maternal grandparents, Richard and Rachel Gould of Harlingen, Texas; and maternal step-grandmother, Marie Chalcraft of Homosassa. Wilder-Fountains Funeral Home, Homosassa Springs.</p> <p>Source: The Tampa Tribune, Tampa, FL, Sept. 22, 1995, extracted June 16, 2007.</p> |
| <p>Starnowsky, Thomas A.</p> | <p>Thomas A. Starnowsky, 64, of West Hanover Township, passed away on Tuesday, September 18, 2007 at home.</p> <p>He was born in Harrisburg, PA on July 29, 1943, to the late Roy and Elizabeth (Farrell) Starnowsky.</p> <p>He retired as a Chief Master Sergeant from the United States Air Force with 37 years of service, having served with the 193rd Special Operations Unit out of Middletown. He served during Vietnam, the Persian Gulf War, Operation Desert Storm and Operation Enduring Freedom.</p> <p>He was a member of Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church, Harrisburg.</p> |

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| | <p>Surviving are his wife, Elizabeth L. (Radel) Starnowsky; a son, Stephen T. Starnowsky of Hummelstown; a daughter, Kirstin A. Saylor of Spring City; a brother, Jeffrey Starnowsky of Marysville; 2 sisters, Judy Morrison of Maryland, and Beth Ann Hemler of Harrisburg; stepmother, Nan Starnowsky of Wiconisco; 2 grandchildren, Carrie Saylor and Colin Saylor.</p> <p>Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 12 p.m. (Noon) on Monday, September 24, 2007 in Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church, 6150 Allentown Blvd., Harrisburg, with Rev. Msgr. Robert E. Lawrence officiating. Burial with full military honors will be in Indiantown Gap National Cemetery. Visitation will be from 11 a.m. until 12 p.m. (Noon) on Monday in the church.</p> <p>Arrangements are being handled by Hetrick Cremation Services of Central Pennsylvania, 3125 Walnut Street, Susquehanna Twp.</p> <p>In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the 193rd SOW Association, 81 Constellation Court, P.O. Box 14, Middletown, PA 17057. Hetrick</p> <p>Source: The Patriot-News, Harrisburg, PA, September 20, 2007, extracted October 3, 2007.</p> |
| Staten, Darrell | <p>Staten, Darrell</p> <p>STATEN, DARRELL, 29, of Clearwater, formerly of Tampa, died Saturday (March 8, 1997) at Tampa General Hospital. He came here as a small child from his native New York City and worked as a computer processor for the Tailer Group Inc. He was an Army veteran of Desert Storm. Survivors include a daughter, Diania Staten, Tampa; his mother Betty B. Henderson, Clearwater; a sister, Stephanie Walker, Largo; a stepbrother, K. C. Henderson, Clearwater; two nieces; and a nephew. Larkins Funeral Home, Clearwater.</p> <p>Source: St. Petersburg Times, St. Petersburg, FL, March 12, 1997, extracted June 25, 2007</p> |
| States, Edward Anthony | <p>States, Edward Anthony</p> <p>Edward Anthony States - Memorial service held in Princeton for pilot of Flight 587 Friends and relatives packed Trinity Church on Saturday to remember Edward Anthony States, the American Airlines pilot who died when his jetliner plunged into a New York neighborhood last week.</p> <p>Family members said he considered flying his "dream career."</p> <p>The memorial service was so crowded that many who attended watched on two television screens set up in another church building. States' wife, Mary, described him as a dedicated family man who coached Little League and was a precise and accomplished carpenter. He and his 10-year-old son, Bradley, recently built a dozen desks for the church. The couple met in the Air Force.</p> <p>"He stood like a pillar with the strength of a giant," she said. "He was a great husband and my best friend."</p> <p>States retired from the Air Force in the late 1980s with the rank of captain. As a reservist, he flew cargo missions during Operation Desert Storm. Flight 587 was en route from New York's John F. Kennedy Airport to the Dominican Republic</p> |

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| | <p>when it crashed shortly after takeoff. All 260 people aboard the plane and five on the ground were killed. Investigators are continuing to probe the cause of the crash.</p> <p>Source: Associated Press Archive, Nov. 17, 2001, extracted Jun. 10, 2007</p> |
| Steele, Derek Anthony | <p>Derek Anthony Steele, 36, was born December 24, 1969 in Somerset, KY went home to be with the Lord on November 20, 2006.</p> <p>Derek graduated high school in Amarillo, TX. He turned to the Lord and was baptized and served as a minister of God before he decided to serve his country in the U.S. Army .</p> <p>He joined the 82nd Airborne Division, where he served as a Ranger, a paratrooper also as a Green Beret. He achieved numerous awards and medals. He served in Panama and Desert Storm. He left the U.S. Army with an honorable discharge to become a truck driver then went on to establish his own business, Cowboy Communications.</p> <p>For his pastime, he enjoyed bullriding which he loved. He enjoyed helping everyone around him. He was very family oriented. He goes to wait for his many friends and relatives who love him.</p> <p>You are invited to come and attend the services. He leaves behind his mother, Deidre Steele, Crescent; sister, Denise, of Bruceville-Eddy, TX; brothers, Dewayne, Dillon, Dallas of Crescent, Marcus of Perry, IA; grandmother, Rhoda Foutch, numerous loving aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.</p> <p>Services will be held at 1:00PM on Tuesday, November 28, 2006 at the John M. Ireland Funeral Home, Moore, OK. Interment will follow at 2:00PM on Wednesday, Nov. 29th at the Central Texas State Veterans Cemetery, Killeen, TX. Services are under the direction of the John M. Ireland Funeral Home & Chapel.</p> <p>Source: The Oklahoman, Oklahoma City, OK, Nov. 28, 2006, extracted August 24, 2007.</p> |
| Steele, Ronnie Joe | <p>Ronnie Joe Steele, 32, died April 27, 1999.</p> <p>He was a veteran of the U.S. Army with more than 10 years of service which included duty in Desert Storm.</p> <p>Mr. Steele is survived by his parents, John Arlie Steele and Carolyn Sue Steele; and his brother, John Scott Steele.</p> <p>Services will be held at a later date. The family requests that memorial donations be made to the Special Olympics. Altmeyer Funeral Home is handling arrangements.</p> <p>Source: The Virginian-Pilot, Norfolk, VA, May 2, 1999, extracted July 12, 2007.</p> |
| Stefanski, Walter T. "Yogi" | <p>Walter T. (Yogi) Stefanski, Jr., 46, of Utica, died June 29, 2006. He was born November 2, 1959 in Utica, son of the late Walter T. and Barbara Waters Stefanski and attended Utica Schools. Walter served in the U.S. Army 107th Military Police from 1977 to 1991 and was a Gulf War Veteran. He worked as a security officer with his last employment being at the Masonic Care</p> |

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| | <p>Community. He was of the Episcopal faith and was a member of the New Hartford American Legion Post # 1376. Walter was a die-hard Yankee fan. He is survived by his sons, Jason Stefanski and Michael Stefanski of New Hartford; his wife, Rita of New Hartford; his sisters, Patricia Bardo and her husband, Jack, of Utica, Teena Davern and her husband, John, of Ilion, Geri Schultz of Utica and Susan Stefanski of Indianapolis, IN; many nieces, nephews and great-nieces and great-nephews; his aunts and uncles, Fred and Ceil Waters and Jim and Sharon Colp; and his special friends, Peter P., Steve S. and Steve L. He was predeceased by his daughter, Amy Elizabeth; and his brother, Joseph. The funeral will be Monday at 10:30 a.m. at All Saints Episcopal Church, 40 Faxton St., Utica. Interment will be in Forest Hill Cemetery. Calling hours are Sunday from 2-5 p.m. at the Dimbleby, Friedel, Williams & Edmunds Funeral Home, 13 Oxford Rd., New Hartford. Online notes of sympathy go to ww.dimblebyfriedelfuneralhomes.com.</p> <p>Source: Observer-Dispatch, Utica, NY, July 1, 2006.</p> |
| <p>Stefflre, James Patrick</p> | <p>James Patrick Stefflre, son of Patrick and Elizabeth (Taylor), was born April 2, 1946, in Baraboo, Wisconsin, and died unexpectedly on December 12, 2005.</p> <p>Throughout his high school years, Jim was a star football and basketball player. Jim attended UCLA on a full football scholarship and transferred to UC Riverside to continue playing football as well as rugby. After earning his undergraduate degree, Jim pursued a master's degree in psychology from UNR.</p> <p>While there, he joined the Air National Guard fulfilling his dreams of becoming a pilot. After graduation, Jim attended McGeorge School of Law in Sacramento. Though Jim's law career earned him a position at the law firm of McDonald Carano Wilson LLP, he was always a pilot at heart and retired from law in 1998.</p> <p>A 32-year member of the Nevada Air National Guard, Jim enlisted in 1968 and earned his wings in 1972 from Columbus Air Force Base, Mississippi. Throughout his pilot career with Nevada Air National Guard, he served in various positions including squadron commander and Headquarters Director of Operations, retiring in 2001 as a "full bird" Colonel. While serving during Desert Storm, Jim was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for gallantry in the line of duty. He was also awarded the Air Medal, AF Meritorious Service Medal, AF Commendation Medal, AF Achievement Medal, Kuwait Liberation Medal, and Order of Nevada.</p> <p>Jim's carefree attitude carried a serious side when it came to flying. Although a lawyer by profession, flying was his true passion. He flew for PanAm Airway, Atlas Airways and most recently, FedEx Airways. Throughout his life of adventure and travel, Jim touched many lives with his sense of humor, kindness and generosity (thus the nickname "Diamond Jim"). He was a friend and mentor who could be called at any hour for any reason.</p> <p>Jim is survived by the love of his life, Sharon and her children Brad, Jeff, and Jen; his beautiful sister, Gerry McGahey, her husband Larry and his nephew Troy. He leaves behind many dear friends from all walks of life. His laughter and passion for life will be greatly missed. Services for Jim will be held at the Nevada Air National Guard auditorium on Monday, December 19, 2005 at 1:00 p.m.</p> |

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| | <p>In lieu of flowers, please make your donations to the Nevada Air National Guard's Children's Christmas Party at 1775 National Guard Way, Reno, NV 89502 and St. Vincent's Programs at P.O. Box 5099, Reno, NV 89513.</p> <p>Source: Reno Gazette-Journal, Reno, NV, Dec. 18, 2005, extracted Sep. 9, 2007</p> |
| <p>Stephenson, Dion</p> | <p>Two Families Bury Sons Killed In Ground Battle Families in Utah and New York on Monday buried sons, mourning two of the 11 Marines killed last month in the first ground action of the Persian Gulf War.</p> <p>"The death of this fine young man has touched us all," the Rev. Rudolph A. Daz told more than 1,000 people who attended the funeral of Marine Lance Cpl. Dion Stephenson in Salt Lake City.</p> <p>"We come to honor him for the gift he gave to his family and us ... he died for the people of Kuwait," Daz said.</p> <p>Marine Corps Commandant Alfred M. Gray, Corps Sgt. Maj. David Sommers and Sen. Orrin Hatch were among those attending a funeral Mass for the fallen Marine at the Roman Catholic Cathedral of the Madeleine.</p> <p>Stephenson, 22, was among 11 Marines killed Jan. 29 in the first ground action of the war, an unidentified seven of them by so-called friendly fire.</p> <p>Bells tolled as six Marine pallbearers escorted the shroud-covered casket to the front of the congregation. Outside, American flags ringed the cathedral as 17 police, sheriff and Highway Patrol motorcycles waited to escort the procession to the Bountiful City Cemetery north of Salt Lake.</p> <p>In Kenmore, N.Y., 21-year-old Lance Cpl. David T. Snyder was eulogized as a man who upheld the traditions of his service.</p> <p>"The Marines have a faithful statement - Semper Fidelis: always faithful," Navy chaplain David Brown told mourners at the funeral.</p> <p>"David has proven that model to be true, and joins the ranks of others who have gone before him to preserve and protect the rights of other people," Brown said.</p> <p>About 100 people attended the service at St. Andrew's Roman Catholic Church in the Buffalo suburb where Snyder grew up.</p> <p>Source: Tulsa World, Tulsa, OK, Feb. 12, 1991, extracted May 24, 2007.</p> |
| <p>Stephenson, John</p> | <p>John Stephenson, of Memphis died on December 30, 2006 at Saint Francis Hospital after a brief illness.</p> <p>Mr. Stephenson was retired from the United States Army. During Operation Desert Storm he was recalled to active service where he served on the tactical staff.</p> <p>He received his BA degree from the University of Nebraska and his MA degree from the University of Memphis. He taught history at Kingsbury High School for 28 years. Mr. Stephenson was active in area amateur and</p> |

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| | <p>college sports as an umpire and referee for over thirty years.</p> <p>He was preceded in death by his parents, Johnnie and Franklin Stephenson. He is survived by his son, Tyler Stephenson and his brother, Clyde Stephenson.</p> <p>He was a member of St. Luke's United Methodist Church, the Mississippi High School Activities Association and the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association. Visitation will be from 6-8 p.m. Thursday evening, January 4 at Memphis Funeral Home Poplar Chapel with services Friday at Noon at the funeral home. Interment will be in West Tennessee Veterans Cemetery. Memphis Funeral Home Poplar Chapel 901-725-0100</p> <p>Source: The Commercial Appeal, Memphis, TN, Jan. 3, 2007, extracted Sep. 24, 2007</p> |
| Sterling, Loren W. | <p>Loren W. Sterling passed away March 17, 2004, at home in Camarillo. He is now living in heaven with his wonderful lord and savior, Jesus Christ.</p> <p>Loren graduated from Oxnard Union High School District in 1986, served with the U.S. Navy in the Persian Gulf War and was a certified emergency medical technician in the state of New Jersey. Though he never pursued those career paths, the training he received added much to his eventual work with the Association for Retarded Citizens (ARC), Ventura County. Loren Truly loved the people at ARC, and they in turn loved him and very generously supported him until his last days. Loren was also employed by Pierce Bros. Griffin Mortuary, where he was equally loved by those with whom he worked. A leisure pursuit of Loren's was woodcarving, and he made some wonderful, whimsical carvings that will long be treasured.</p> <p>Those who were fortunate to have known Loren will long remember him as a gentle and loving person with a terrific sense of humor and strong work ethic. Loren brought much joy and happiness to the lives of the many he touched through his selfless acts of kindness.</p> <p>Until the very last moment of his life, Loren was surrounded by his family, who will miss him each day for the rest of their own lives. Loren leaves behind his very loving wife, Della; and his treasured daughter, Shannon; parents, Meryl and Carol Sterling; sister, Denise Hewitt, and her husband, Timothy; and brother, Erik Sterling, and his wife, Michelle. He adored his nieces and nephew, Elizabeth Hewitt, Cole Sterling and Peyton Sterling. Loren was also blessed to have a large, loving and caring extended family, which includes Ray, Julie, Mark Jr., and Jess, who will also miss him very much.</p> <p>Contributions in memory of Loren may be made to the Association for Retarded Citizens, Ventura County.</p> <p>As Loren requested, there will be a graveside service 2 p.m. Sunday, March 21, at Conejo Mountain Memorial Park in Camarillo.</p> <p>Arrangements are graciously provided by Pierce Bros. Griffin Mortuary. Source: Ventura County, Star, Ventura, CA, March 20, 2004.</p> |
| Stevens, Larry E. | <p>Stevens, Larry E.</p> <p>LARRY E. STEVENS, 50, of Holly Springs, Miss., formerly of Memphis, loss prevention specialist for Walgreens, died of heart failure Saturday at his home. Services will be at noon Wednesday at Forest Hill Funeral Home South with burial in Forest Hill Cemetery South. He was a retired AFOSI Air Force veteran and was in Desert Storm. He was a communicant at St. Joseph Catholic Church.</p> |

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| | <p>Mr. Stevens, the husband of Elvira Stevens, also leaves a daughter, Karen Stevens of Sugar Hill, Ga.; two sons, Larry E. Stevens Jr. of Hernando and John W. Stevens of Charlotte, N.C.; his mother, Blanche L. Stevens of Lake Cormorant, Miss.; a brother, Kenneth Stevens of Providence, R.I., and a grandchild. The family requests that any memorials be sent to St. Joseph Catholic Church Historic Fund.</p> <p>Source: The Commercial Appeal, Memphis, TN, June 14, 1998, extracted June 25, 2007.</p> |
| Stevenson, Keith Lowell | <p>Keith Lowell Stevenson age 44, passed away Dec. 17, 1999 in Tacoma, Washington of natural causes.</p> <p>Born May 17, 1955 in Salt Lake City, Utah to Harry Keith and Helen Rosella Danielson Stevenson. Married Christina Gay Pierson on Feb. 1, 1980 in Salt Lake City, Utah. She passed away on May 10, 1990 in Salt Lake City.</p> <p>He served in the U.S. Army during Desert Storm and served in the Washington State National Guard.</p> <p>Survivors: daughters, May Ann Stevenson, Wichita, Kansas; Cassandra Gay Stevenson, Salt Lake City; grandchildren, Kristy Lee Tweed, Christopher Ryan Stevenson Black Wichita, Kansas; sisters, Sharon (H. Stephen) Stoker, Ogden; and Kay Waters, Sandy. Mother and father-in-law, James (Gaye) Pierson, Murray. Preceded in death by his parents.</p> <p>Graveside services Thur. 12 noon, December 23, 1999 at the Murray City Cemetery, 5600 S. Vine St. Friends may call Thur. 11-11:45 a.m. at the Jenkins-Soffe Mortuary, 4760 S. State St.</p> <p>Source: The Salt Lake Tribune, Salt Lake City, UT, Dec. 22, 1999, extracted July 13, 2007.</p> |
| Stewart, Jeffrey A. | <p>Major Jeffrey A. Stewart, age 42, of Fredericksburg, VA entered into rest Thursday, January 25, 2007 while on assignment in Alabama.</p> <p>He is survived by his wife, Lyndel Stewart, a son Sean and a daughter, Audra; his father CSM. Robert Stewart and stepmother, Patricia Stewart of Aiken, S.C.; two brothers, David Stewart and Kevin Stewart of Augusta, Ga.; step-sister and brothers, Bethanne Kruse, Dallas, TX, Jennifer Feraldi of Aiken and William A. Leach III of Bonita Springs, FL. He was preceded in death by his mother Nancy Stewart and his brother Robert Stewart Jr.</p> <p>Jeffrey was a graduate of Stuttgart American High School in Pattonville, Kornwestheim, Germany. He attended Augusta State University and graduated NYU with a B/S degree; a Masters Degree from University of Oklahoma; Army Command and General Staff College and was assigned to the Army Evaluation Center at Alexandria, VA.</p> <p>He was a veteran of Desert Shield and Desert Storm and the Global War On Terrorism. During Major Stewart's time in the Army he was awarded and decorated with the Legion of Merit; Bronze Star Medal; The Defense Meritorious Service Medal; The Meritorious Service Medal (w/2OLC); The Joint Service Commendation Medal; The Army Commendation Medal (w/1OLC); The Army Achievement Medal (w/1OLC); National Defense Service Medal (w/Star); the Southwest Asia Medal (w/2 Campaign Stars); The Global War on Terrorism Service Medal; The Korean Defense Service Medal; The Armed Forces Reserve Medal (w/10 year device); The Army</p> |

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| | <p>Service Ribbon; The Overseas Service Ribbon (2nd Award); The Saudi Arabian/Kuwait Liberation Medal; The Kuwait/ Kuwaiti Liberation Medal; The Meritorious Unit Citation Medal.</p> <p>In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the American Diabetes Association, P.O. Box 1132, Fairfax, Virginia 22038-1132.</p> <p>Services for Major Stewart were held Tuesday, February 6, 2007 at 2:00 p.m. at Arlington National Cemetery. A memorial service will be held at Hillcrest Memorial Park on Saturday, February 10, 2007 at 11:00 a.m. A visitation will be held prior to the memorial service for family and friends at 10:30 a.m. at Hillcrest Memorial Park Mausoleum.</p> <p>Source: The Augusta Chronicle, Augusta, GA, February 9, 2007, Feb. 25, 2007</p> |
| Stewart, Patrick | <p>At the Veterans Memorial Cemetery in the small town of Fernley, Nev., there is a wall of brass plaques for local heroes. But one space is blank. There is no memorial for Sgt. Patrick Stewart.</p> <p>That's because Stewart was a Wiccan, and the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs has refused to allow a symbol of the Wicca religion - a five-pointed star within a circle, called a pentacle - to be inscribed on U.S. military memorials or grave markers.</p> <p>The department has approved the symbols of 38 other faiths; about half are versions of the Christian cross. Stewart, 34, is believed to be the first Wiccan killed in combat.</p> <p>He was serving in the Nevada National Guard when the helicopter he was riding in was shot down in Afghanistan in September. He previously had served in the Army in Korea and Operation Desert Storm. He was posthumously awarded a Purple Heart and a Bronze Star.</p> <p>His widow, Roberta Stewart, would like him to have a permanent memorial. She said the veterans' cemetery in Fernley offered to install a plaque with his name and no religious symbol. She refused.</p> <p>"Once they do that, they'll forget me. They don't like having a hole in the wall," she said. The Pentagon says that more than 1,800 Wiccans are on active duty in the armed forces.</p> <p>Wiccans still suffer, however, from the misconception that they are devil worshippers. Most of their rituals revolve around the cycles of nature, such as equinoxes and phases of the moon. Federal courts have recognized Wicca as a religion since 1986. The U.S. military allows Wiccan ceremonies on its bases.</p> <p>Applications from Wiccan groups and individuals to VA for pentacles on grave markers have been pending for nine years.</p> <p>Stewart said that she is trying to fulfill her husband's wishes. "Until he is laid to rest," she said, "I cannot rest."</p> <p>Source: Richmond Times-Dispatch, Richmond, VA, July 8, 2006, extracted September 22, 2007.</p> |
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| | <p>The funeral for slain Detroit Police Officer Scott Turner Stewart will be Friday morning. Officer Stewart was gunned down while making an arrest Sunday in Detroit. He was 31 and had been on the police force since 1997. He graduated from Cousino High School in Warren and enlisted in the Army, where he served for six years. While on duty, he earned an associate's degree from the University of Hawaii and served in Operation Desert Storm. Returning to civilian life, he joined the Police Department. He worked in the 3rd (Vernor) Precinct on the armed robbery task force and in the 9th (Gratiot) Precinct on the booster unit, an elite group that handles the most dangerous assignments. For his work, he earned a number of awards, including the Perfect Attendance Award, the Chief's Citation Award, a commendation from the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office, the Chief's Unit Award and a department citation. "Along with his love for police work, he had a great love for the outdoors," his family wrote in a tribute to him. "He enjoyed canoeing, kayaking, camping, hiking and also walking his dog, Curtis. "He truly enjoyed helping others, especially his friends and family." Survivors include his parents, Scott and Audrey; sisters Andrea Arrington and Debbie Marcarian; three nieces, and his fiancee, Monica Verducco. Friends may call from 1 to 8 p.m. today at the D.S. Temrowski & Sons Funeral Home, 30009 Hoover Road, Warren. The funeral will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Zion Christian Church, 3668 Livernois, Troy, with burial at 1:30 p.m. in Christian Memorial Cemetery, 521 E. Hamlin Road, Rochester Hills. The family suggests memorial donations to Mi-Cops, P.O. Box 928, Suttons Bay 49682.</p> <p>Source: Detroit Free Press, Detroit, MI, Aug. 15, 2002, extracted Jun. 23, 2007</p> |
| <p>Stickney, Jr., James Henry</p> | <p>James Henry Stickney Jr., 46, Indianapolis, died Dec. 3. He worked 12 years as an airline technician for United Airlines. An Army veteran, he served in Operation Desert Storm. Memorial contributions may be made to a favorite charity. Services: 10 a.m. Dec. 7 in Conkle Funeral Home, Hendricks County Chapel in Avon, with calling from 7 to 9 p.m. Dec. 5 and from 2 to 9 p.m. Dec. 6. Burial: Floral Park West Cemetery.</p> <p>Survivors: wife Joann Behm Stickney children Cynthia Ward, Jessica Suchyna , Erricka Newbury, Arthur Stickney father James H. Stickney Sr. brothers Thomas, Jason Stickney sisters Debra Zwada, Rebecca Ward, Beth Campana , Lori Heath five grandchildren.</p> <p>Source: The Indianapolis Star, Indianapolis, IN, Dec. 5, 2000, extracted May 25, 2007.</p> |
| <p>Stief, Richard W., III</p> | <p>Stief, Richard W., III</p> <p>A graveside service will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday, Aug. 18, 1997, in Willamette National Cemetery for Richard W. "Rick" Stief III, who died Aug. 11 at age 43. A memorial service will follow at 1 p.m. in Central Evangelical Church.</p> <p>Mr. Stief was born July 17, 1954, in Portland. He was a graduate of Marshall High School. He served in the U.S. Army during Operation Desert Storm. He worked as a brick mason from 1971 until 1987.</p> <p>Survivors include his wife, Sydney; sons, Ben Poston and Brian, both of Portland, and Paul of Milwaukie; daughter, Shannon Poston of Portland; father and stepmother, Richard W. Jr. and Gertrude of Portland; brother, David, and sister, Mary DeHoyos, both of Corbett; and three grandchildren.</p> <p>Source: The Oregonian, Portland, OR, Aug. 16, 1997, extracted June 25, 2007.</p> |

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| <p>Still, Judson Pinckney</p> | <p>Judson Pinckney Still Jr., (Juddie), 52, of 113 Sangria, Cordova, died suddenly Sunday, September 9, 2007, at his home after a brief illness.</p> <p>Private services will be held at Blackville Cemetery.</p> <p>Juddie was born October 16, 1954, in Charlotte, N.C. He was the son of the late Judson Pinckney and Grace Edna Busch Weathersbee Still. He was a member of The First Baptist Church of Orangeburg and in his youth was a member of Boy Scout Troop 312. He was a 1972 graduate of Orangeburg High School. He also attended USC in Columbia and OC Tech in Orangeburg.</p> <p>Juddie served in the U.S. Navy and the U.S. Naval Reserve. He was a veteran of the "Persian Gulf War" both "Operation Desert Storm" and "Operation Desert Shield."</p> <p>Source: The Times and Democrat, Orangeburg, SC, September 29, 2007, extracted October 3, 2007</p> |
| <p>Stinson, Ralph Jeremiah</p> | <p>Ralph Jeremiah Stinson, lover of the classics and caretaker of the underprivileged, died July 31. He was 30.</p> <p>"Jerry," as his family would call him, loved classical composers such as Bach, Beethoven and Tchaikovsky, and the gifted pianist could make his instrument sing.</p> <p>Performing gospel hymns was dear to his heart as well. Singing solo, or with the choir during church musical concerts, Jerry ministered to many.</p> <p>"Jerry Einstein," as his family affectionately called him, enjoyed performing. But he had a greater calling in life.</p> <p>Jerry loved the Lord and the pulpit. He dedicated the last three years of his life toward entering the ministry full-time.</p> <p>"He was called to the ministry at an early age," said his mother, Doris Stinson-Powell.</p> <p>Jerry and his fellow brothers and sisters in Christ used to go to Venice Beach Sunday mornings to feed and talk to the homeless.</p> <p>A good friend, Jessica Crawford, said Jerry could identify with the disenfranchised who lived on the streets. He had a deep passion for winning their souls for Christ, she said.</p> <p>Jerry was born Nov. 10, 1968, to Doris and Theotis Sr. They would name their baby boy after the prophet Jeremiah in the Old Testament.</p> <p>He would attend Greater Harvest Church of God in Christ during his formative years but later joined Christian Life Church, where he was active in the youth department and choir.</p> <p>In 1986, the youngest of eight children graduated from Long Beach Woodrow Wilson High School, where the honor student participated in dance, theater, music and public speaking.</p> <p>Later, he enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served during Operation Desert Storm. While fulfilling his patriotic duty, he acquired his phlebotomist certificate, a</p> |

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| | <p>qualification to draw blood. Eventually, he worked with the American Red Cross.</p> <p>Carol Harris, his sister, said Jerry was well-read and policed the family's punctuation and use of the English language.</p> <p>Theotis Earl, his brother, said Jerry had a sharp wit and told humorous, never-ending stories.</p> <p>During happier times, Jerry entered the Teen Challenge Riverside Christian School, where he was taught Christian principles to live by. Once he completed the program, he entered the Teen Challenge Ministry Institute and successfully completed it.</p> <p>Then he enrolled in the Berean Institute's satellite program conducted at the South Gate Assembly of God Church. There, he earned a 3.6 GPA and expected to graduate in December 1999, Doris said.</p> <p>Jerry was doing his internship at the Christian Life Church.</p> <p>His current pastor and mentor, Don Spradling, said: "Jerry was an emotionally committed person. He had a great passion for making a contribution to the church. He was very talented. His commitment level was extraordinary."</p> <p>Jerry is survived by his mother and stepfather, Rubin Powell; sisters Carol, Pat Summers, Pam Sigur, Deborah Melton and Cathy Robinson; and brothers Theodore and Theotis. He is also survived by five nephews and nieces and one grandnephew and grandniece.</p> <p>Source: Long Beach Press-Telegram, Long Beach, CA, Aug 11, 1999, extracted July 25, 2007.</p> |
| Stokes, Adrian L. | <p>Died Tuesday, Feb. 26, 1991, in Operation Desert Storm in Saudi Arabia. He was 20, a native of Baton Rouge and a resident of Riverside, Calif. Visiting at Desselle Funeral Home, 263 Eddie Robinson Sr. Drive, 8 to 11 a.m. Saturday. Religious services at New Ark Baptist Church, 1344 Terrace St., at 11:45 a.m. Saturday, conducted by the Rev. Q.T. Ellis. Interment in Port Hudson National Cemetery. Survived by mother, Jacqueline Stokes, Riverside; two sisters, Judy L. Godfrey and Jennifer L. Stokes, both of Riverside; a brother, Arthur L. Stokes, Riverside; two nieces, three aunts, four uncles, cousins, other relatives and friends. Preceded in death by grandmother, Rosa Henderson.</p> <p>Source: The Advocate, Baton Rouge, LA, March 8, 1991, extracted May 20, 2007.</p> |
| Stokley, Keith A. | <p>Command Sgt. Maj. Keith A. Stokley, 48, of Hainesport, a longtime member of the New Jersey Army National Guard who served in Operation Desert Storm, died of pancreatic cancer Saturday at Samaritan Hospice in Mount Holly.</p> <p>A native of Willingboro, Command Sgt. Maj. Stokley joined the New Jersey National Guard in 1975 while still a student at Burlington County Vocational Technical School. After graduating, he served in the Guard part time while working in the automotive industry. He became a full-time guardsman in the late 1980s.</p> <p>In 1991, he served with a heavy-material supply company in Kuwait during the Persian Gulf War. In 2004, in the aftermath of 9/11, he was deployed to Egypt with a multinational force to participate in Operation Enduring Freedom. Since</p> |

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| | <p>2006, he had been a command sergeant major for the First Battalion, 114th Infantry in Woodbury. He had been a member of the New Jersey Guard counter-drug task force for the last 18 years.</p> <p>His wife, Barbara, said he lived by the Army motto of "duty, honor, and country" and enjoyed mentoring younger soldiers. He loved hunting for deer and turkey, she said, and riding his Kawasaki Vulcan 1600 Classic motorcycle.</p> <p>In addition to his wife, Command Sgt. Maj. Stokley is survived by a daughter, Christina Jenkins; mother Gerry Galt; father Fred Stokley; a sister; and three brothers.</p> <p>A funeral will be at 10:30 a.m. tomorrow at Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, 1308 Mount Holly Road, Burlington, N.J. Friends may call from 1 to 3 p.m. and from 6 to 9 p.m. today at Perinchief Funeral Home, 428 High St., Mount Holly.</p> <p>Source: The Philadelphia Inquirer, Philadelphia, PA, May 31, 2007, extracted September 24, 2007.</p> |
| <p>STOLARCEK, WILLIAM G.</p> | <p>WILLIAM G. STOLARCEK, 52, of Dover died Friday at home under the care of Hospice of Hillsborough. A native of Wyandotte, Mich., he was a longtime resident of the Tampa area. He was a retired Army colonel, serving two tours in Vietnam, Desert Shield/Storm, and a Presbyterian. He is survived by his wife, Rose M.; two sons, William Edward of Redington Beach and Cary Glen of Fort Huachuca, Ariz.; a brother, John of Eagan, Minn.; two sisters, Nancy Artley of Bloomsburg, Pa., and Bonnie Robertson of Dunedin; and one grandchild. Hillsboro Memorial Funeral Home, Tampa.</p> <p>Source: The Tampa Tribune, Tampa, FL, Jan. 20, 1997, extracted June 25, 2007.</p> |
| <p>Stone, Douglas C.</p> | <p>In his work with Utah Army reservists, it was Sgt. 1st Class Douglas Stone's job to decide when soldiers were ready for service overseas -- a tough task considering what they were about to tackle. Stone, a one-time recruiter in Northern Michigan and a former Grand Valley State University student, had his own number called last May.</p> <p>Hoe was deployed to Iraq to help train the country's fledgling armed forces. The 49-year-old's family members learned this week that Stone was killed Sunday in non-combat operations in the northern region of Iraq. Cause of death not released. The circumstances of Stone's death were not released by the military, pending an investigation. Claude McKinney, a reserve spokesman at Fort Douglas in Salt Lake City, said the probe could take several weeks.</p> <p>Susan D'Astoli, Stone's sister, called her younger brother a true soldier who believed in what he was doing. He served in Desert Storm, a fact that made him acutely aware of what others would face and what he'd encounter upon returning to Iraq. "He took what he did very seriously from the time he was sending troops over to the time he went," D'Astoli said. "We're all numb and trying to cope." Stone was born on an Air Force Base in South Dakota, but traveled an unconventional path to his own service. After graduating from Milford High School in Oakland County, he took classes at Grand Valley for two years and later wound his way to the Army after working an array of jobs, his family said. Was close to retirement.</p> <p>He was about a year from fulfilling his 20th year of service and planned to</p> |

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| | <p>retire to the Petoskey area, where his family had spent summers at a cottage on Walloon Lake and the place where his wife, Mary, was raised.</p> <p>The couple, who lived in Grawn until 1999, have two boys, ages 10 and 13, D'Astoli said. "He was an awesome father who doted on his boys and he was a great husband," D'Astoli said, noting his heavy involvement in his sons' activities with the Boy Scouts. D'Astoli said her brother loved hunting and fishing. He also was a Detroit Red Wings fanatic, a tough pill to swallow in hockey-deprived Utah.</p> <p>Maj. Gen. Peter Cooke, commander of Fort Douglas, said Stone's loss is humbling to the Army. "There wasn't a unit or individual sent from our headquarters that Sgt. 1st Class Stone did not personally assist in preparing for their mobilization or deployment," Cooke said in a statement. "(He) always went above and beyond in performing his duties and taking care of soldiers."</p> <p>Source: The Grand Rapids Press, Grand Rapids, MI, Mar. 14, 2007, extracted Sep. 27, 2007</p> |
| <p>Stone, Samuel J.</p> | <p>Sam Stone, long time resident of Muskogee, passed away at his home in Oklahoma City on March 28, 2006. Sam was born to Vivian and Samuel Stone on September 9, 1958 in Oklahoma City. He was raised here and attended school, graduating from Muskogee High before leaving to join the United States Army.</p> <p>Sam was proud to serve his country. He completed 14 years in the Army, including tours in Korea and Iraq during Desert Storm. After his military service, Sam started a career in computer technology which took him to North Carolina and then brought him back home to Oklahoma and his family. At the time of his death, Sam was working for a pharmaceutical company in Oklahoma City.</p> <p>At the center of Sam's life and his heart were his children with Mary Stone: Ryan Stone, Joshua Stone, and Sara Stone, all of the Denver, Colorado area. That love also extended to his grandchildren, Dana Stone, Timothy Stone, Josh Stone, Haley Stone, and Andrea Finning.</p> <p>Sam is survived by all of his children and grandchildren, as well as others who loved him: his father; his brother, James A. Stone and wife Alice of Webbers Falls; and his sister, Sheryl Weilgosh and husband Richard, of London, Ontario, Canada. Sam will also be missed by his nephews, nieces and their families: Jamie Stringer, husband Randy and children Ashlee Murray, Dylan Murray, Layne Murray and Hunter Stringer; J. D. Stone; Angel Hammond, Michael Mayer, and Andy Mayer; Scott and Shawn Hayworth of Oklahoma City, and Marc Hayworth and his wife Robin of Tecumseh.</p> <p>Sam joins his mother and two sisters, Sandra Schwochow and Sharon Hayworth, who preceded him in death. His memorial service will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 1, 2006, at Baggerley-South Funeral Home, 5708 S. Western, Oklahoma City, OK with the Rev. Danny Barks officiating.</p> <p>Source: Muskogee Daily Phoenix and Times-Democrat, Muskogee, OK, March 31, 2006, extracted August 22, 2007.</p> |
| <p>Stormer, Jeffrey A. "Butter"</p> | <p>Mr. Jeffrey A. "Butter" Stormer, age 38, of Wilmington, DE, formerly of Smyrna, died peacefully on Thursday, February 16, 2006, at his home.</p> |

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| | <p>Mr. Stormer was born December 29, 1967 in Wilmington and was a graduate of Smyrna High School, where he starred on the varsity wrestling team as a state champion.</p> <p>He later served his country in the US Navy during the Gulf War aboard the USS Midway. A professional driver with the United Parcel Service, Mr. Stormer worked for the past 10 years in the New Castle County area. He was devoted to horses and enjoyed horseracing throughout his life. He was also a fan of the Philadelphia Eagles and looked forward to trips to the beach and fishing in his leisure time.</p> <p>He is survived by his daughter, Jennifer Stormer, of Newark; fiancée, Rose M. Ingraham, of Wilmington; mother and step-father, Jennifer A. White and Jay A. Knight, of Smyrna; 2 brothers, Rodney A. Stormer, of Ft. Walton Beach, FL, and Lee Roy Butterworth, of Smyrna; maternal grandmother, Hilda M. White, of Wilmington; a host of aunts and cousins; and his dogs, Smokey and Katie. He was preceded in death by his maternal grandfather, Roy C. White.</p> <p>A celebration of Jeffrey's life will be held at 11:30 am on Tuesday, February 21, 2006, at Christiana United Methodist Church, 21 W. Main Street, Christiana.</p> <p>In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Delaware Hospice, 3515 Silverside Road, Wilmington, DE 19810; or to Thoroughbred Charities of America, 1343 Bohemia Mill Road, Middletown, DE 19709.</p> <p>Source: Somerset Herald, Princess Anne, MD, Feb. 19, 2006.</p> |
| <p>Stover, Stanley W.</p> | <p>STANLEY W. STOVER, 40, of Angola died Tuesday in Parkview Memorial Hospital.</p> <p>The Garrett native was a press operator for A & W Machine and Repair, Angola. He was a 20-year Army veteran who served in Operation Desert Storm.</p> <p>Surviving are his wife, Kathy; sons, Eric and Troy, both of Angola; brothers, Bruce Teller of Angola and William Stover of Kimmell; and three stepgrandchildren.</p> <p>Services are 1 p.m. Saturday in Weicht Funeral Home, Angola, where calling is 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. tomorrow. Burial will be in Flint Cemetery, Steuben County, with graveside rites performed by Angola American Legion Post 31.</p> <p>Preferred memorials are gifts to the family.</p> <p>Source: The News-Sentinel, Fort Wayne, IN, March 30, 1995, extracted June 16, 2007.</p> |
| <p>Strandberg, Lyle L.</p> | <p>BOARDMAN -- A memorial service for Lyle L. "Skip" Strandberg will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday at Mt. Scott Funeral Home in Portland.</p> <p>Mr. Strandberg died Dec. 30, 2005, in Boardman. He was 45.</p> <p>Mr. Strandberg was born Feb. 28, 1960, in Boise to Doris Elavsky and Lyle Strandberg Sr. He graduated from Hanford High School and attended Central Washington University and Portland State University. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps in Iraq during Desert Storm.</p> <p>For the past 15 years, he lived in Vancouver, Wash., where he volunteered at the Southwest Washington Veterans Honor Guard and the Mount Hood Ski</p> |

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| | <p>Patrol.</p> <p>He is survived by his parents; wife Cheryl Strandberg; stepdaughter Cherron; and brothers Eric and Lars Strandberg.</p> <p>Memorial contributions may be made to the Southwest Washington Veteran's Honor Guard in care of Mount Scott Funeral Home, 4205 S.E. 59th St., Portland, 97206.</p> <p>Source: East Oregonian, Pendleton, OR, Jan. 5, 2006, extracted August 24, 2007.</p> |
| <p>Strange, James Leon</p> | <p>James Leon Strange, 70, of Glasgow died Aug. 11, 2000, at T.J. Samson Community Hospital.</p> <p>The Washington County native was a chief warrant officer who fought with Kentucky National Guard's 623rd Field Artillery during the Korean War and Operation Desert Storm and was a member of St. Helen's Catholic Church and Knights of Columbus. He was a son of the late John Barry and Artie Benham Strange.</p> <p>Arrangements, which are incomplete, are under the direction of A.F. Crow & Son Funeral Home.</p> <p>Expressions of sympathy may take the form of donations to Kosair Children's Hospital, Kosair Charities Committee, P.O. Box 37370, Louisville, Ky. 40233.</p> <p>Survivors include his wife, Sara Newcome Strange; four sons, Terry Strange of Louisville, Jerry Strange of Glasgow, and Steve Strange and David Strange, both of Bowling Green; two daughters, Debbie Botts and Denise Howard, both of Glasgow; a brother, John B. Strange of Louisville; nine grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; two aunts; and two uncles.</p> <p>Source: Daily News, Bowling Green, KY, Aug. 11, 2000, extracted May 26, 2007</p> |
| <p>Strange, Susan Holst</p> | <p>Strange, Susan Holst</p> <p>SAN ANTONIO -- The funeral with military honors for Susan Holst Strange was Monday in Newport, Tenn. Burial was in Rest Haven Cemetery in Newport.</p> <p>Mrs. Strange, 24, formerly of Wilmington, Del., died Monday, Feb. 23, 1998, at Lackland Air Force Base Hospital.</p> <p>She was a senior airman stationed at Lackland Air Force Base. She served in the Air Force for five years and received the Air Force Achievement medal for meritorious service and the National Defense Service medal for her service during Operation Desert Storm and Southern Watch.</p> <p>Survivors include her mother, Carol Bryant Boulanger of Newark, Del.; her father and stepmother, David Holst Sr. and Lorraine Holst of Myrtle Beach; her husband, Sgt. Mark Strange; two sons, Brice Toxler and Alex Strange; a stepdaughter, Elizabeth Strange; two brothers, David Holst Jr. of Waterford, N.Y., and Timothy Holst of New York; a stepsister, Antoinette Liberto of Cherry Hill, N.J.; two stepbrothers, John Liberto and Neil Miller, both of</p> |

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| | <p>Cherry Hill; her paternal grandfather, Edward Holst of West Chester, Pa.; and her maternal grandparents, Edward and Elizabeth Bryant of Norwood, Pa.</p> <p>A memorial service will be at 11 a.m. Friday at St. Stephens Church in Norwood, Pa.</p> <p>Memorials may be made to Women in Military Service for America, Department 560, Washington, DC 20042.</p> <p>Manes Funeral Home in Newport was in charge.</p> <p>Source: The Sun News, Myrtle Beach, NC, March 5, 1998, extracted June 26, 2007.</p> |
| Strawser, Michael Walter | <p>Strawser, Michael Walter</p> <p>Michael Walter Emerson Strawser, 30, of Springbank Avenue, a former truck driver for Crete Trucking, died Saturday after a long illness at Meadowbrook Manor Nursing Center, Bunnell.</p> <p>Mr. Strawser, an Army veteran of Desert Storm, came here 22 years ago from Trenton, Mich., his birthplace. He was a member of the Immanuel Presbyterian Church, DeLand, and the American Legion Post 259. He enjoyed working with computers.</p> <p>Survivors include his wife, Bettina; a son, Jurgen P. and a daughter, Anna K., both of Orange City; his mother, Mildred M., Orange City; and two brothers, Larry Pesta, California and Frank Pesta, Michigan. Memorial donations may be made to the Jurgen and Anna Strawser Fund at Nations Bank, Highway 17-92, Orange City. Altman-Long, DeBary, is in charge.</p> <p>Source: Daytona Beach News-Journal, Daytona Beach, FL, June 23, 1996, extracted June 20, 2007.</p> |
| Strickland, Richard L. | <p>Richard L. Strickland, 48, Clarksville, died Thursday, Jan. 6, 2000, at Gateway Medical Center.</p> <p>The funeral will be 11 a.m. Monday at Memorial Chapel, Fort Campbell, with Chaplain Patrick Stepanek officiating and McReynolds-Nave & Larson Funeral Home in charge of arrangements. Remains will be cremated.</p> <p>He was born on May 25, 1951, in Detroit, son of Gertrude Henry Strickland and Leon Strickland.</p> <p>Mr. Strickland was employed by the Trane Co., was a U.S. Army veteran of Desert Storm and was a member of the Masonic Lodge.</p> <p>Survivors include his wife, Sharon Stewart Strickland four sons, Daniel T. Strickland, Clarksville, William E. Strickland, Hoboken, N.J., Christopher L. Strickland, Colorado Springs, Colo., and Maurice J. Strickland, Miliani, Hawaii two daughters, Nikki A. Strickland, Clarksville, and RaShaun C. Strickland Lowe, San Antonio one brother, Leon William Strickland, Detroit one sister, Beverly J. Strickland, Detroit and five grandchildren.</p> <p>Source: The Leaf-Chronicle, Clarksville, TN, Jan. 8, 2000, extracted May 28,</p> |

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| Strickland, Thomas Lee | <p>Thomas Lee Strickland, Sr., 54, died Sunday, Sept. 10, 2000, in Gulfport.</p> <p>Mr. Strickland was a route salesman for Gulf Coast Business Supply and was a baseball umpire. He was a Marine Corps Reserve and Army National Guard veteran and served in Desert Storm. He was a member of the National Umpire's Association, the Mississippi Gulf Coast Bowling Association, and was a Methodist.</p> <p>He was preceded in death by his parents, Thomas and Leola Strickland; and a son, Thomas L. Strickland Jr.</p> <p>Survivors include a daughter, April McMurphy; a brother, John Strickland, both of Long Beach; a sister, Stella Chapman of Chalmette, La.; and a grandson.</p> <p>Visitation was from 6 to 9 p.m. Wednesday at Riemann Funeral Home in Long Beach. A graveside service will be at 10:30 a.m. today in the Biloxi National Cemetery.</p> <p>Source: The Sun Herald, Biloxi, MS, Sep. 14, 2000, extracted May 26, 2007</p> |
| Stroud, Guy L. | <p>HURST - Guy L. Stroud, 62, a telecommunications salesman, passed away Thursday, Feb. 23, 2006, at a local hospital.</p> <p>Funeral: 1:30 Tuesday in Mount Olivet Chapel. Burial: Mount Olivet Cemetery. Visitation: 6 to 8 p.m. Monday at Mount Olivet Funeral Home.</p> <p>Guy was born Aug. 29, 1943, to Ola Mae and Walter Stroud. He served in the Army Reserves for 32 years and served a brief time in the Desert Storm Theater.</p> <p>He was a member of the Masonic Lodge and the Moslah Shrine in Fort Worth since 1979. He was also a member of Fort Worth Court 32 Royal Order of Jesters in September of 1994.</p> <p>Guy was preceded in death by his sister, Vickie McGraw in 2000.</p> <p>Survivors: Wife, Cheryl Stroud of Hurst; son, Dusty Stroud and wife, Phaedra of North Richland Hills; daughters, Misty Sanders and husband, Randy of Hurst, Cami Tompkins and husband, Jason of Keller; brother, James Stroud and wife, Laura of Nashville, Tenn.; sisters, Wanda Simpson and husband, Shelton of Shreveport, La., Charlotte Rhodes and husband, Bill of Kilgore; eight grandchildren.</p> <p>Source: Fort Worth Star-Telegram, Fort Worth, TX, Feb. 26, 2006, extracted August 22, 2007.</p> |
| Strouse, Brian | <p>Strouse, Brian</p> <p>Brian Strouse, 33, who grew up in Chicago's Montclare neighborhood, played baseball and worshiped the Chicago Cubs.</p> <p>Strouse once made his mother wait in line with him so he could get Jose Cardenal's autograph.</p> |

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| | <p>He played little league at Shabbona Park, 6945 W. Addison St., and liked to play catch and hit balls off the front porch.</p> <p>Strouse had three sisters but no brothers. He is survived by his parents, Ann Marie and Paul; sisters Kathleen (Greg) Noncz, both of the Chicago Police Department, Cynthia and Paula; a grandmother, Irene Shea; aunts and uncles Clarice Bielski, Lillian (the late Robert) Pace, Eileen (John) Flink, Pat and Mary Shea; nieces and a nephew. He was preceded in death by a sister, Barbara Strouse.</p> <p>His three close friends, Chris Roy, Joey Samansky and Rocco Spizzirri, were like the brothers he never had, said his mother, Anne Marie Strouse.</p> <p>When his father Paul was laid off for a time, Ann Marie got a job. That left Brian and "the crew." Sometimes they would move the furniture around in the living room, but they made sure everything was in its place before Strouse's mother arrived.</p> <p>Strouse attended Lane Technical High School and played football. As he was getting ready to graduate his mother asked him what he wanted to do with his life.</p> <p>"I'm going to join the Marine Corps," he said. "That's the best." Strouse enlisted on St. Patrick's Day in 1986 and was later stationed in Japan. An avid wrestling fan, he won a match, playing a pro wrestling character, while in the Marines. He was scheduled to be discharged when Iraq invaded Kuwait in August 1990. Strouse served two months in the Middle East during Operation Desert Shield, as the United States and its allies prepared for war. He kept track of the situation by watching news reports after he returned home.</p> <p>Strouse considered being a firefighter but decided to join the police department instead.</p> <p>"He gave everything to the job," Ann Marie said. "He was like the old cop on the beat, he was friendly to everybody."</p> <p>Strouse was a tactical officer, working anti-gang and drug missions in the Pilsen neighborhood. His mother read a letter from a Pilsen resident who wrote that his killing has set off "a spark in the community. A little fire in a fire of indignity, a fire of anger."</p> <p>She said, "I believe that neighborhood is going to fight back. That neighborhood's not going to be afraid anymore." Brian Strouse was a NW Side native.</p> <p>Source: Edison-Norwood Times Review, Edison-Norwood, IL, Jul. 12, 2001, extracted Jun. 15, 2007</p> |
| Stump, Adrian | <p>The community where Adrian Stump went to school, played Little League, joined the National Guard at 17 and flew helicopters honored his ultimate sacrifice in Afghanistan during a 2 1/2-hour "celebration of life" Saturday at the Aviation Support Facility at the Pendleton airport.</p> <p>Sgt. Jonathan Moore, a childhood friend who served with Warrant Officer</p> |

Stump in Kandahar, said his buddy taught him two important lessons: "Love your family, and if you want something, go get it and don't stop." Stump's passion for life and love of flying were a persistent theme with Saturday's speakers. "He had an enormous heart ... and true passion for life," said his uncle, Joe Deutz.

Maj. Gen. Fred Rees, adjutant general of the Oregon National Guard, noted that at the age of just 22, Stump had become a combat pilot with more than 300 hours of flying time. He was the youngest pilot in the company. "There is joy that Adrian was able to spend most of his young life doing what he loved," said Rev. Mike Fitzpatrick, who officiated the service. Even before he volunteered to go to Afghanistan to join his unit, Stump had shown "a willingness to risk everything for his fellow man," Rees said.

He told of Stump's role as a 20-year-old in a harrowing rescue mission of a fallen climber from a 13,000-foot mountain ledge in Inyo County, Calif., in 2003. Stump didn't waste any time going after his dream of flying and becoming a pilot. After joining the Guard at 17, he spent the summer between his junior and senior years of high school at basic training in South Carolina. Graduating from Pendleton High School in 2002, he went to flight school the next year in Alabama. When he graduated from flight school in 2004, he began lobbying to join his comrades in Afghanistan, and finally caught up with them last April. "He couldn't stand to see his unit go without him," said fellow CH-47 Chinook pilot Chief Warrant Officer Dave Long of Pendleton, who added that Stump "brightened our dusty, long days in Kandahar."

Stump died Sept. 25 in Deh Chopan, Afghanistan, while co-piloting the lead Chinook in a convoy of helicopters on a combat mission. After dropping off Afghanistan soldiers, his helicopter was hit by enemy fire while flying at low-level from the area. It was immediately engulfed in flames and crashed, Long said. Also killed was SSgt. Tane Baum of Pendleton. "It was a devastating blow for Delta Company" of the 113th Aviation Regiment, Long said. The expansive hangar at the Aviation Support Facility was filled with more than 1,500 family, friends, classmates and community members. Members of the high school dance team sat together in uniform in a show of support for Stump's sister and team member, Molly.

Stump is also survived by another sister, Julie, and a brother, Riley. "Everything you've been told is true, he was fun, caring, compassionate, loving," said Stump's aunt, Valerie Fouquette, who thanked the crowd for the gift of their "loving presence." Stump also was remembered for his sense of humor, his penchant for practical jokes and ability to ease the tension after combat missions. Long said Stump's favorite prank at Kandahar was to tie a string to a lifelike wooden cobra snake and jerk the snake to scare passersby. But he was also caring and sympathetic, the kind of person who would apologize for losing his temper, Long said. "Adrian made me want to be a better person," he added. Gov. Ted Kulongoski spoke, continuing his pledge to attend the funeral of every Oregon soldier killed in Afghanistan and Iraq.

Stump clearly believed in "duty, honor and service to country," he said, and was an example of "living a life where every day counts." Stump was posthumously awarded the Bronze Star and the Purple Heart, which were presented to his parents, Jerry and Anne Stump, by Gen. Rees.

Near the end of the service the three giant doors to the hangar were opened, and as the military pallbearers were folding the American flag that was

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| | <p>draped over the casket four F-15 jets soared across the sky from the east, one banking sharply skyward as they neared the building. Although plenty of tears were shed Saturday, Long noted in his remarks that Stump had told him that the happiest day of his life would be when he returned home. "Well my friend, you are home," he said.</p> <p>Source: East Oregonian, Pendleton, OR, Oct. 16, 2005, extracted Sep. 14, 2007</p> |
| <p>Stumpf, Jr., Richard E.</p> | <p>Stumpf, Jr., Richard E.</p> <p>Sgt. Richard E. Stumpf Jr., 24, of 123 Horseshoe Bend, Jacksonville, N.C., husband of Carla L. (Leipold) Stumpf, died Oct. 31, 1994, at Parris Island, S.C. Born in Meriden, Nov. 25, 1969, he was the son of Richard E. Sr. and Mary Abele Stumpf of Meriden. He attended Thomas Hooker School and Washington Middle School, Meriden, and graduated from Rearview High School, Sarasota, Fla., in 1987. Sgt. Stumpf entered the U.S. Marine Corps in 1988, and was a veteran of Operation Desert Storm and Operation Guantanamo (Cuban Refugee Relief). Richard dedicated his life to the U.S. Marine Corps, and was committed to being the very best that he could be. He was very proud of his country, and at the age of 22 he led a squad of U.S. Marines into Kuwait during Operation Desert Storm. He received many ribbons and medals as a result of his actions, including the Combat Action Ribbon, the Joint Meritorious Award, the Navy Unit Commendation, the Good Conduct Medal, the National Defense Medal, the Southwest Asia Service Medal, the Humanitarian Service Medal, the Sea Service Deployment Ribbon, the Kuwait Liberation Medal, the Rifle Expert (4th award), and the Pistol Expert. In November 1992, he was meritoriously promoted to sergeant, and became a drill instructor in January 1993 at Parris Island, S.C. Sgt. Stumpf was very committed to his troops, and made it a point that every one of his platoons was number one. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church. Besides his wife, Carla, and his parents, he is survived by a brother, Scott R. Stumpf of Syracuse, N.Y.; three sisters, Jody Raleigh and her husband, Carl Raleigh, of Bristol, Susan Barse and her husband, Kenneth C. Barse of Old Wethersfield, and Mary Moriarty and her husband, Richard Moriarty, of Noank Village; his paternal grandparents, Mortimer and Alice Stumpf of Meriden; two nieces and two nephews, Jennifer, and Joshua Raleigh, and Kenneth, and Alyssa Barse; many aunts, uncles, and cousins. The funeral will be Monday, 9 a.m., at the First United Methodist Church, Meriden. Burial, with military honors, will be at Massachusetts National Cemetery, Bourne, Mass. Friends may call Sunday, 5-8 p.m., at John J. Ferry & Sons Funeral Home, 88 E. Main St., Meriden. In lieu of flowers, if friends desire, contributions, in his memory, may be sent for Richard and Carla's expected child to the Richard Stumpf Memorial Fund, c/o Middletown Church of Christ, P.O. Box 2392, Middletown 06457.</p> <p>Source: The Hartford Courant, Hartford, CT, Nov. 5, 1994, extracted June 15, 2007</p> |
| <p>Suber, Ronald R.</p> | <p>Msg. Ronald R. Suber October 20, 1964- April 21, 2006 FORT RILEY, KS— Msg. Ronald R. Suber, 41, of Fort Riley, Kansas died Friday, April 21, 2006 at Irwin Army Community Hospital in Fort Riley. Funeral services will be held at 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, May 2, 2006, at McMullen Funeral Home, 3874 Gentian Blvd., Columbus with Chaplain Captain Eddie Kinley officiating.</p> <p>Burial with military honors will follow at Fort Benning Main Post Cemetery, Fort Benning, Georgia. The family will receive friends from 6 to 8:00 p.m. Monday at McMullen Funeral Home, 3874 Gentian Blvd., Columbus. Born in Pavo, Georgia,</p> |

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| | <p>Ronald was the son of Tommy R. Suber and Hazel Delain Suber. He graduated from Thomas County Central High School in 1982, and married Cheryl Bishop on Dec. 23, 1985.</p> <p>He joined the Army in 1985. During his military career, he had served in Operation Enduring Freedom, Operation Desert Storm, Egypt and Haiti, and had been stationed in Germany, Oklahoma, Louisiana, Korea, Georgia, and Kansas. He had received numerous medals and commendations, and was currently serving in the Military Police.</p> <p>Survivors include his wife of twenty years, Cheryl B. Suber of Fort Riley, KS; two daughters, Ashley B. Suber of Fort Polk, LA, and Alicia R. Suber of Fort Riley, KS; his parents, Tommy and Hazel Suber of Pavo, GA; his grandmother, Ruth Perry of Moultrie, GA; two sisters, Brenda Elkins and husband Terry of Cairo, GA, and Michele Suber of Canada; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by two brothers, Oliver Suber and Walter Suber.</p> <p>Source: Columbus Ledger-Enquirer, Columbus, GA, April 29, 2006, extracted September 22, 2007.</p> |
| Suber, Sr., Jerry | <p>- Jerry Suber Sr., 44, a Portsmouth native, died Thursday, Aug. 26.</p> <p>Mr. Suber was a machinist at the Norfolk Naval Shipyard and a U.S. Army veteran, most recently serving in Operation Desert Storm.</p> <p>Survived by a daughter, Maria Michelle Suber of Hampton; two sons, Jerry Suber Jr. and Jeffrey Suber, both of Hampton; a sister, Gloria Monroe of Hampton; two brothers, Jeffrey F. Suber of Atlanta, Ga. and Tony Suber of Manhattan, N.Y.; and his foster-mother, Elizabeth Hill of Portsmouth.</p> <p>Visitation between noon and 8 p.m. Monday at Cooke Brothers Funeral Home.</p> <p>Graveside service at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Hampton Memorial Gardens.</p> <p>Assemble at 1002 Grimes Road, Hampton, by 9:15 a.m.</p> <p>Source: Daily Press, Newport News, VA, Aug. 29, 1993, extracted May 29, 2007.</p> |
| Suli, James K. | <p>On June 6, 1999. James K. (Jimmy) of North Wildwood, formerly of Collingswood. Age 36. Husband of Debbie (nee MacGoldrick) and father of Ryan James and Michael Joseph of Cherry Hill. Son of Jeannette Lal (nee Pangburn) of Las Vegas. Brother of Rick Riley of Tabernacle. Son-in-law of Marcie and George MacGoldrick of Cherry Hill. He was a specialist in the U.S. Army and served proudly in Operation Desert Storm. Relatives and friends of the family are invited to call at St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church, 1989 Rt. 70 East, Cherry Hill from 11AM to 12 noon. Memorial Service to follow at the church at 12 noon.</p> <p>Source: Courier-Post, Cherry Hill, NJ, June 10, 1999, extracted July 14, 2007.</p> |
| Sullivan, Jason | <p>Sullivan, Jason</p> <p>Jason Sullivan, 23, Howard Air Force Base, Panama City, Panama, died Aug. 30, 1994, from injuries sustained in an automobile accident. Services will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Century Baptist Church, Bismarck, with burial in North Dakota Veterans Cemetery, rural Mandan. Military rites will be by the</p> |

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| | <p>U.S. Air Force from Minot.</p> <p>Visitation will begin at 9 a.m. Monday at Weigel Funeral Home, Mandan, where a prayer service will be held at 7 p.m. Monday.</p> <p>Jason Sullivan was born May 24, 1971, in Bismarck, the son of John and Kathy (Schmidt) Sullivan. He was raised and educated in Mandan and graduated from Mandan High School in 1989. In August 1989, he entered the U.S. Air Force and received his basic training in San Antonio. He worked as a computer operator at the 24th Command Center. He served in the Persian Gulf during Desert Storm from Aug. 16, 1990, through March 30, 1991. Jason was stationed at Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, and returned to the Persian Gulf and served a second tour which lasted three months. On June 18, 1993, he married Kimberlie Meshach in Sumter, S.C., at the Shaw Air Force Base. Jason and Kim were transferred to Howard Air Force Base in Panama on Oct. 10, 1993, where they had been living.</p> <p>He is survived by his wife, Kimberlie; his parents, John and Kathy Sullivan, Mandan; one brother, Jeremy, Mandan; his grandmother, Clara Schmidt, Mandan; many cousins, aunts, uncles and close friends; his father-in-law and mother-in-law, Ed and Barb Meshach, Columbia, Mo.; and one brother-in-law, Ed Jr., Leavenworth, Kan.</p> <p>Source: The Bismarck Tribune, Bismarck, ND, Sept. 3, 1994, extracted June 15, 2007.</p> |
| Sullivan, Sean Patrick | <p>Sean Patrick Sullivan, a Marine Corps Reserves private and Desert Storm veteran, died Saturday at the University of Massachusetts Medical Center in Worcester from head injuries suffered in an Aug. 11 car accident. He was 20 and lived in Dorchester.</p> <p>Formerly a clerk at the law firm of Goldstein & Manello, he enlisted in the Marine Corps Reserve in October, training at Parris Island and Camp Lejeune, and was assigned as a machine gunner at Camp Edwards.</p> <p>He leaves his parents, James M. and Dorothy A. (Hines); two sisters, Barbara A. Sullivan-Murphy of Weymouth and Ann E. Trojano of Dorchester; and two brothers, James J. and Stephen M., both of Dorchester.</p> <p>A funeral Mass will be said at 9 a.m</p> <p>Source: Boston Globe, Boston, MA, Aug. 21, 1991, extracted May 20, 2007</p> |
| Summers, Gregory Andrew | <p>GREGORY ANDREW SUMMERS, 38, of Milton, W.Va., passed away Wednesday, May 10, 2006, at his residence. Funeral service will be 2 p.m. Saturday, May 13, 2006, at Henson Mortuary, Barboursville, W.Va., with the Rev. Mark Finley officiating. Interment will follow at Balls Gap Cemetery, Milton.</p> <p>Born November 6, 1967, in Cleveland, he was the son of Charlotte Stanley Summers of St. Albans, W.Va., and the late Andrew Summers. In addition to his father, he was also preceded in death by his mother-in-law, Hazel Finley.</p> <p>He was employed by River Park Hospital as a Mental Health Technician, where he leaves a multitude of friends he dearly loved.</p> <p>He was a U.S. Army veteran, having served during Operation Desert Storm.</p> <p>He was a loving husband and father. Mr. Summers is survived by his wife, Lisa Finley Summers; his mother Charlotte Stanley Summers and her friend Floyd</p> |

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| | <p>Gibson; two sons, Tyler Summers of Weston, W.Va., and Brian Summers of Red House, W.Va.; a brother, Terry Summers and his wife Heather of Winfield, W.Va.; a sister, Tina Fouty and her husband Rick of Elkview, W.Va.; sister-in-law Linda Finley of Milton; brothers-in-law Mike Finley, and Eugene and Darlene Finley; nieces Tiauna Summers and Christine Kirtley and her husband Clinton; nephews Braden and Derrick Fouty, Hayden Summers and Tyler Bradley; two very special grand-nieces, Makayla Welch and Madyson Kirtley, whom he loved dearly, along with a multitude of nieces and nephews. He will be sadly missed by all who knew him and leaves behind many family members and friends he held dearly to his heart.</p> <p>The family will receive friends from 6 to 9 p.m. Friday, May 12, 2006, at Henson Mortuary.</p> <p>Source: The Herald-Dispatch, Huntington, WV, May 12, 2006, extracted September 22, 2007.</p> |
| Summers, Sean D. | <p>Sean David Summers, 35, died Sept. 7 on Martha's Vineyard.</p> <p>He was the husband of Krissy Summers.</p> <p>Mr. Summers was born in Houston and lived in several locations including Louisiana, Florida, Martha's Vineyard and East Falmouth.</p> <p>A Navy veteran, he served in the first Gulf War and was discharged in 1993.</p> <p>After being trained in underwater operations in the Navy, he established a commercial diving business five years ago, Aquanaut Divers, based out of Cape Cod and Martha's Vineyard.</p> <p>In 1990 he received a culinary arts degree from Johnson and Wales University.</p> <p>He also earned a registered nursing degree from Florida State University in 1994 and held registered nursing positions in Massachusetts and Florida.</p> <p>He was a volunteer at the World Trade Center on Sept. 11.</p> <p>Mr. Summers had a lifelong passion for marine activities and loved diving for lobsters, spearfishing, traditional fishing and clamming. He also loved travel, hunting with family in Wisconsin and cooking. He was a fan of football, LSU, the Patriots and the Red Sox.</p> <p>Besides his wife, survivors include three sons, London, Maxwell and Brett, all of East Falmouth; his father, Ronald Scott Summers of Houston; a sister, Rae Jean Tubre of Baton Rouge, La.; his grandfather, Harold Hanson of Superior, Wis.; two nephews; his adoptive mother, Mary Smith of Sunset, La., and her daughter Jean-Marie Richard of Louisiana.</p> <p>A memorial Mass will be at 11:30 a.m. Sept. 21 at Blessed Sacrament Roman Catholic Church, Federal Street, Greenfield, followed by a procession to a memorial service at 2 p.m. at Massachusetts Veterans Memorial Cemetery, 1390 Main St., Agawam.</p> <p>A memorial fund has been set up at www.aquanautdivers.com.</p> <p>Source: Cape Cod Times, Hyannis, MA, Sept. 14, 2006.</p> |
| Summerskill, Gerald Dee | <p>Gerald Dee Summerskill, 73, of Fredericksburg passed away Monday, June 12, 2006, at the University of Virginia Medical Center in Charlottesville.</p> <p>Mr. Summerskill was a retired chief master sergeant in the U.S. Air Force. He joined the NAF after retirement as a GS-12 and went on to serve as a contracting officer in Europe with the U.S. Army as a GS-16. He served in Saudi Arabia during Desert Storm and Desert Shield. He was the treasurer of his homeowners association and a member of St. Mary Catholic Church in Fredericksburg.</p> <p>He is survived by his wife, Lillian Summerskill; his son, Perry N. Summerskill of Mesquite, Texas; four daughters, Lana Marie Goodin of Illinois, Theresa Ann</p> |

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| | <p>Wiewell of Oklahoma, Mary D. Summerskill of Fredericksburg and Valerie Dee Schneider of Maryland; his sister, Marietta Winstead of Kansas City, Kan.; and 10 grandchildren. He was predeceased by a son, Thomas A. Summerskill.</p> <p>A Mass of resurrection will be celebrated at 1 p.m. Friday, June 16, at St. Mary Catholic Church, with Father Edwin Perez officiating. Entombment will be in Laurel Hill Memorial Park.</p> <p>The family will receive friends from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, June 15, at Laurel Hill Funeral Home, Spotsylvania. A rosary will be said at 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Spotsylvania Volunteer Rescue Squad or to the ALS Association Development Department, 27001 Aquore Road, Suite 500, Calabasas Hills, Calif. 91301; or to the American Diabetes Association, Box 7023, Merrifield, Va. 22116.</p> <p>Source: The Free Lance-Star, Fredericksburg, VA, June 14, 2006, extracted September 23, 2007.</p> |
| <p>Suthard, John Mitchell</p> | <p>RICHMOND HILL - John Mitchell Suthard, 45, died July 31, 2007 at Memorial Medical Center in Savannah.</p> <p>Suthard was a native of Cheverly, Md., and had lived in Richmond Hill for four years.</p> <p>He was retired from the U.S. Army after 24 active years, 14 of them with the 82nd Airborne Division at Fort Bragg, N.C. He served in Desert Shield/Storm and Operation Joint Guardian/NATO (Kosova). He was a member of the 82nd Airborne Division Association/Savannah, Hilton Head Chapter. He was employed as a civil servant at Fort Stewart.</p> <p>He was preceded in death by his father, Earl Suthard and mother, Virginia Suthard Lamot.</p> <p>Surviving are his wife, Melissa Suthard; a son, John M. Suthard Jr. of Maryland; two stepdaughters, Chelsea and Taylor Cerame of Richmond Hill; stepfather, Ralph Lamot of Maryland; and two brothers, Earl Suthard and Lenny Suthard, both of Maryland.</p> <p>Visitation was 2-4 p.m. Saturday at Carter Funeral Home. A memorial service was held at 4 p.m. Saturday with full military honors. The burial was private.</p> <p>Carter Funeral Home Bryan Chapel was in charge.</p> <p>Source: Bryan County Now, GA, August 9, 2007, extracted September 28, 2007.</p> |
| <p>Sutton, Paul "Doug"</p> | <p>Paul "Doug" Sutton, 34, of Creek Bluff Way, a zone specialist for U.S. Food Service, died Thursday from injuries sustained in an automobile accident on Tymber Creek Road.</p> <p>Mr. Sutton, a Marine Corps veteran of the Gulf War, serving as a combat engineer, came here in 1998 from his native Maryville, Tenn. For his military service, he earned the Navy Achievement Medal, Kuwait Liberation Medal and the National Defense Service Medal. He was a member and deacon of Christ United Presbyterian Church. Mr. Sutton enjoyed sports and was an avid fan of University of Tennessee football. He also enjoyed cooking and watching the</p> |

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| | <p>Food Network.</p> <p>Survivors include is wife of 14 years, Heather; a son, Zach, a daughter, Gabby, and his parents, Doug and Fern Sutton, all of Ormond Beach; a brother, Burl, Maryville; and a sister, Sandra Sutton, Norton, Va. Haigh-Black, Ormond Beach, is in charge.</p> <p>Source: The News-Journal, Daytona Beach, FL, Jan. 11, 2004.</p> |
| Swander, Paul R. | <p>Feb. 7, 1944 - Feb. 8, 2006</p> <p>Paul R. Swander, 62, of Schau Road in Port Clinton died at 9:50 p.m. Wednesday at Riverview Nursing Home, Oak Harbor.</p> <p>He was born in Tiffin, the son on Charles and Doris (Laux) Swander. His mother survives and resides in Tiffin. On May 28, 1966, in Fort Seneca, Ohio, he married Judy Hade and she survives, residing in Port Clinton. Other survivors include two sons, Kevin (Courtney) Swander of Port Clinton and Scott Swander of Tiffin; four grandchildren, Jackie and Stephen Swander, Kasey and Caden Swander; and a brother, Delmar Swander of Maumee.</p> <p>He is preceded in death by his father, Charles; and a brother, Glenn Swander.</p> <p>Mr. Swander was a 1962 Columbian High School graduate.</p> <p>He served in the United States Army Reserves and served active duty during Operation Desert Storm. He retired as a civil service employee and a chief warrant officer grade 3 in the United States Army Reserves.</p> <p>He was a member of the First Lutheran Church in Tiffin; the American Legion, Post 114 of Oak Harbor; the VFW 2858 of Tiffin; and Moose 1610 of Port Clinton.</p> <p>Visitation: 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday at Traunero Funeral Home, 214 S. Monroe St., Tiffin. Funeral services: 10 a.m. Monday at the funeral home with the Rev. Richard Hofmann officiating. Burial: Greenlawn Cemetery, Tiffin with military rites conducted by the United Veterans Council of Seneca County.</p> <p>Memorial contributions: Heartland Hospice of Ottawa County at Cottage Cove in care of Traunero Funeral Home.</p> <p>Source: The News Herald, Port Clinton, OH, Feb. 11, 2006, extracted September 22, 2007.</p> |
| Swank, Carl E. Jr. | <p>A memorial Service for Carl E. Swank, Jr., 37, of Pottstown, PA will be held Saturday, March 6, 2004 at 4:00 p.m. in the Newark Chapel of Vensil-Orr & Chute Funeral Homes with Rev. Robert L. Knox officiating.</p> <p>Mr. Swank, an outgoing, friendly person who never, met a stranger, only new friends, died Tuesday, February 24, 2004 at his residence. He was born August 4, 1966 in Newark, Ohio to Lucinda B. (Martin) Ellis of Heath, OH and Carl E. Swank, Sr. of Newark.</p> <p>Survivors in addition to his parents include his son, Corey N. Swank; sisters Mary (Richard) Reid, Carla Swank of Newark; step-mother, Darlene Swank of Newark; step-father, Dwayne Ellis of Heath; step-sisters, Tiffany (Jack) Adkins, Stephanie Frankenberry, Krystal Collins of Newark; step-brothers, Dana (Angela) Ellis of Newark, Jason (Amy) Watts of Delaware; several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and numerous friends.</p> <p>Carl was a 1985 graduate of Newark High School, attended University of</p> |

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| | <p>Cincinnati and Ohio State University.</p> <p>He served 12 years in the U.S. Navy. He was a veteran of the Gulf War serving aboard the USS Louisiana and USS Eisenhower as a nuclear engineer.</p> <p>Presently he was a nuclear Shift Supervisor candidate at the Limerick Nuclear Generating Station. March 2000 to March 2003 he was an Operator at Excelon Braidwood Nuclear Power Plan, Braidwood, IL.</p> <p>Calling hours will be observed Saturday from 2 to 4 p.m. at the funeral home 1850 West Main Street.</p> <p>Burial will follow later at Arlington National Cemetery</p> <p>The family requests contributions to the Leukemia Society of America, 2 International Plaza, Suite 245, Philadelphia, PA 19113.</p> <p>Source: The Herald News, Elgin, IL, March 2, 2004.</p> |
| <p>Swann, Hubert Blaine, Jr.</p> | <p>Swann, Hubert Blaine, Jr.</p> <p>Command Sgt. Maj. ret. Hubert Blaine Swann Jr., 49, of Vine Grove, Ky., died Friday, March 29, 2002, at his home. He was a native of Yancey County. He was preceded in death by his father, Hubert Blaine Swann Sr. and a sister, Rebecca Ann Swann. He graduated in 1970 from Cane River High School. He entered the Army in April 1972 and retired in 1992.</p> <p>Command Sgt. Maj. Swann's awards include the Bronze Star Medal with V (for valor), Meritorious Service Medal (3rd OLC), Army Commendation Medal (1st OLC), Army Service Ribbon, NCOPD Ribbon (Numeral 4), Army Service Ribbon (Numeral 2), Southwest Asia Ribbon (Operation Desert Shield/Storm), Ranger Tab and Drill Sergeant Badge. He graduated from the University of Louisville in May 2000 with a bachelor of science degree in occupational education. He is survived by his mother, Hazel Swann of Burnsville sons, Thomas Swann, Matthew Swann and Cassidy Swann, all of Brick sister, Alesia Swann Bradford of Burnsville brothers and their wives, Mickey and Judy Swann of Burnsville, Kevin and Chris Swann of Burnsville and Roger and Mary Swann of Mars Hill special friends, Jim and Abby Lowe and Bill and Cheryl Bundy of Radcliffe, Ky. and several nieces and nephews. The funeral services will be held at 8 p.m. Tuesday at Mount Pleasant Baptist Church in Burnsville with the Rev. Jerry Shelton officiating. The family will receive friends from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the church. Military graveside rites will be conducted by a detachment from Fort Bragg at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Pate Cemetery in Bald Creek.</p> <p>Source: Asheville Citizen-Times, Asheville, NC, Apr. 1, 2002, extracted Jun. 25, 2007</p> |
| <p>Swanner, Donald L.</p> | <p>MSGT Donald L. Swanner Sr., age 58 of Louisville passed away Sunday, July 15, 2007 at Colonial Hills Health Care Center.</p> <p>He was Retired U.S.A.F. with 37 years of service serving in Desert Storm. He was a member of Meadow Methodist Church and of V.F.W. He was also a member of the local Airbase Club and The American Legion.</p> <p>Preceded in death by: brothers, Dewey Swanner & Dennis Swanner; mother, Lillian Swanner. Survivors include: wife of 11 years, Sue Truett Swanner; sons & daughters-in-law, Donnie & Wendy Swanner of Louisville, Robbie & April Cook and Josh & Samantha Cook all of Jackson, KY; daughter & son-in-law, Lori & Kelvin Breeden of Louisville; grandchildren, Abby & Austin Breeden and Cole & Logan Swanner; Kieana Cook; dad, John Swanner.</p> <p>Funeral service will be at 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, July 18, 2007, Trinity Chapel</p> |

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| | <p>with Rev. Jason Word officiating. Interment will follow at Cloyds Creek Cemetery. Pallbearers will be Oggie Martin, Bobby Holcomb, Henry Manor, Bill Rutherford, Mark White, and Carl Myers. Family will receive friends from 6:30 until 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 17, 2007, Trinity Chapel, Smith Funeral & Cremation Service, Maryville, 865-983-1000.</p> <p>Source: The Daily Times, Maryville, TN, July 17, 2007, extracted September 28, 2007.</p> |
| <p>Swartsenburg, Bradley John</p> | <p>EASTOVER - Memorial services for Bradley John Swartsenburg, 46, will be held at 11 a.m. Friday at Dunbar Funeral Home, Gervais Street Chapel. The family will receive friends after the service at the funeral home.</p> <p>Mr. Swartsenburg died Saturday, November 20, 1999. Born in Tampa, Fla., he was a son of Fenny T. Keadle and the late John K. Swartsenburg. He graduated from Hillsborough High School, Tampa, and Midlands Technical College. He served for 21 years in the U.S. Navy and the S.C. Air National Guard, receiving many decorations and medals for meritorious service including: the Navy Good Conduct Medal, the Air Force Reserve Meritorious Service Medal, and the Southwest Asia Service Medal. He served with the U.S. Forces during Operation Desert Storm. He was the proud uncle of numerous nieces and nephews and enjoyed reading and caring for his many pets.</p> <p>Surviving are his wife, Colleen Q. Swartsenburg; mother, of Charlotte; sisters, Joann Wasson of Charlotte, Maria K. Strong of Allentown, Pa.; nieces and nephews.</p> <p>Source: The State, Columbia, SC, Dec. 8, 1999, extracted July 14, 2007.</p> |
| <p>Swartzendruber, George</p> | <p>ADAIR - George Swartzendruber died doing what he loved best - flying.</p> <p>The 25-year-old Army warrant officer was killed Feb. 27 when his Blackhawk helicopter was shot down in the Middle East.</p> <p>He was one of the first killed when the ground war began to oust Iraqi troops from Kuwait.</p> <p>His mother, Naomi Swartzendruber, 49, was notified of the death Sunday.</p> <p>She and her husband, Richard, 53, received a letter from their son on Feb. 28. The letter had been written five days earlier.</p> <p>The couple moved to this Mayes County town about three years ago.</p> <p>Swartzendruber grew up in Papua, New Guinea, where his parents were support personnel for Wycliffe Bible Translators Inc.</p> <p>The family lived in New Guinea for six years.</p> <p>It was in that South Pacific country that George Swartzendruber developed a strong desire to become a pilot.</p> <p>His mother said her son fell in love with flying when he saw missionaries flying helicopters into the rugged and remote countryside.</p> <p>Swartzendruber graduated from high school in New Guinea and then went to San Diego, where he got a job in an airport hangar.</p> |

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| | <p>"He worked in the hangar at the air strip emptying waste paper baskets and mopping floors until there was an opening for a mechanic, and he got that job," said Mrs. Swartzendruber.</p> <p>While a mechanic, her son got his fixed wing and helicopter licenses.</p> <p>"All he wanted to do was fly," she said. "We couldn't help him financially. He worked his way through - delivering newspapers and working at the hangar. He just wanted to fly.</p> <p>"He loved aviation. He was rather quiet, except when he was talking about his Blackhawk."</p> <p>The family lived in Tulsa about five years in the early '70s. George Swartzendruber attended Moody Christian Academy. His younger brother, David, is a student at Wichita (Kan.) State University.</p> <p>Mrs. Swartzendruber said she and her husband settled in Adair because they became familiar with the area when they lived in Tulsa.</p> <p>She said their son would be buried in Newton, Kan., where he spent several years. Swartzendruber's body is being transported from the Middle East, she said. Funeral arrangements are pending.</p> <p>Source: Tulsa World, Tulsa, OK, March 6, 1991, extracted May 24, 2007.</p> |
| <p>Sweeney, Brian D.</p> | <p>Sweeney, Brian D.</p> <p>Brian D. Sweeney 38, a resident of Barnstable and formerly of Spencer, died Tuesday aboard hijacked United Airlines Flight 175, which struck the south tower of the World Trade Center in New York City.</p> <p>He was the husband of Julie L. (Busa) Sweeney.</p> <p>Mr. Sweeney was born in Worcester and lived most of his life in Spencer before moving to many locations with the Navy. He also lived in Marlborough for two years, and for the last two months in Barnstable.</p> <p>He was a 1981 graduate of David Prouty High School in Spencer, where he was co-captain of the football team and on the track team. He received a football scholarship to Boston University, played on the varsity squad for four years and earned a bachelor's degree in mass communications in 1986. He received additional education in Navy postgraduate schools.</p> <p>Mr. Sweeney was a lieutenant in the Navy and a Desert Storm veteran, protecting the no-fly zones. He was a radar intercepting officer aboard F-14 Tomcat fighter planes in the VF-211 "Bounty Hunters" squadron, serving on the USS Nimitz and USS Ranger aircraft carriers. He graduated at the head of his class at the Naval Officers Training School in Pensacola, Fla.</p> <p>He was a staff instructor at the Navy's prestigious Fighter Weapons School in Miramar, Calif., from 1995 to 1996, and a staff member for the Tomcat Strike Fighter Weapons School in 1993.</p> |

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| | <p>He was also squadron avionics/weapons division officer from 1991 to 1993 and squadron weapons training/tactics development officer from 1993 to 1995.</p> <p>He worked for a variety of private-sector aeronautical companies in recent years, including Lockheed Martin Corp., Spectratek Corp. and Horizons Technology. Since March, he was a systems consultant for the Department of Defense and aeronautics industry at Brandes Associates in Los Angeles.</p> <p>Besides his wife of two years, he is survived by his parents, Leonard H. and Luise A. (Mulhall) Sweeney of Spencer; two brothers, Kevin F. Sweeney and John P. Sweeney, both of Spencer; a sister, Anne E. Sweeney of Spencer; his maternal grandmother, Rachel V. Demers of Spencer; and aunts and uncles.</p> <p>A celebration of his life will be held at 3 p.m. Sunday at the David Prouty High School Athletic Field, 302 Main St., Spencer.</p> <p>Memorial donations may be made to the Brian D. Sweeney Fund, c/o Spencer Savings Bank, 176 Main St., Spencer, MA 01562.</p> <p>Source: Cape Cod Times, Hyannis, MA, Sep. 14, 2001, extracted Jun. 10, 2007</p> |
| Swetz, David J. | <p>David J. Swetz, 52, of 176 4th St., Oneida, died Wednesday (November 24, 2004) at the Geisinger Medical Center, Danville, Pa. He was born in Hazleton, the son of Mary Ellen (Kakalecik) Swetz, Oneida, and the late Anthony L. Swetz. He was a member of Holy Trinity R.C. (Slovak) Church.</p> <p>A Veteran of the Operation Desert Storm in the Persian Gulf, he served with the 300th Field Hospital as a Medical Specialist. He re-enlisted in the Air Force Reserve and served as a crew chief with the 913 Reserve Unit out of Willow Grove Air Station prior to retiring from the reserve.</p> <p>He was last employed in the Hazleton Area School District as a bus driver.</p> <p>He is survived by two sons, Anthony A., Hazleton; David J., Middletown; his former wife, Corrinne Swetz, Hazleton; brother, Lawrence, Plains; sisters Mrs. Richard (Diane) Curry, Edwardsville; Mrs. Emil (Susan) Kitlan, Evans, Georgia; two grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.</p> <p>The funeral will be held on Saturday at 9 a.m. from the Frank J. Bonin Funeral Home Inc., with a Mass of Christian Burial at 9:30 a.m. in Holy Rosary R.C. (Slovak) Church.</p> <p>Interment will be held in Indiantown Gap National Cemetery, Annville, Pa. Friends and relatives may call on Friday from 7 to 9 p.m.</p> <p>Source: The Times Leader, Wilkes Barre, PA, Nov. 26, 2004, extracted August 13, 2007.</p> |
| Swierc, John M | <p>Swierc, John M.</p> <p>John M. Swierc, age 50, of Crown Point, IN, passed away Friday, September 13, 2002. John was an employee of PCI Operating Co. in Gary, IN. He is a member of Our Lady of Consolation Church. John graduated from George Rogers Clark High School in Hammond, IN, served in the U.S. Air Force for 21 years, attained the rank of Senior Master Sergeant and participated in Operation Desert Storm. A member of the American Legion,</p> |

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| | <p>and was an avid sportsman. Preceded in death by son, David J. Swierc, daughter, Kari Swierc, and father, John A. Swierc. Survived by wife, Treasa; 1 daughter, Kimberly (Michael) Rippe of Lowell, IN; 2 sons, Chad Swierc of Hobart, IN, and Andrew Swierc of Crown Point, IN; mother, Mary (nee Gemmer) Swierc of Whiting, IN; 1 brother, David (Yvette) Swierc of Crown Point, IN; 3 nephews, Jacob and Alexander, and godson Zachary Swierc; longtime close friend, Billy Thayer of Wichita, KS.</p> <p>Funeral service Tuesday, September 17, 2002, 11:00 a.m. Directly at Our Lady of Consolation Church, 8303 Taft Street, Merrillville, Rev. Joseph E. Vamos officiating. Burial Calumet Park Cemetery, Merrillville, Indiana. Friends may call at Geisen Funeral Home, 7905 Broadway, Merrillville, on Monday from 2 to 8 p.m. Vigil service Monday evening 6 p.m. Family requests memorials be given to St. Anthony Hospice or the American Cancer Society. On Tuesday morning, relatives and friends may call at the church from 10 a.m. until time of Mass at 11:00 a.m.</p> <p>Source: Post Tribune, IN, Sep. 18, 2002, extracted Jun. 22, 2007</p> |
| Swofford, Terry L. | <p>Services for Terry L. Swofford, age 47, Lawton, will be at 10:00 am Tuesday at Post Cemtery, Fort Sill, Oklahoma.</p> <p>Mr. Swofford died Sunday in a Lawton hospital.</p> <p>Burial with Full Military Honors will be under the direction of Becker Funeral Home.</p> <p>He was born December 27, 1957 in Lampasas, Texas to Herschel and Mary (Keep) Swofford. He graduated from MacArthur High School in 1976, and entered the U.S. Army in 1979. He served in Germany, Fort Knox, Kentucky where he was a Drill Sergeant, Fort Irwin, California, where he served in Security Management, and as an ROTC Instructor at Central Missouri State University in Warrensburg, MO. In 1991 he served with the 2-66 Armor, based out of Garlstadt, Germany in Operation Desert Storm. In the Gulf War he earned the Bronze Star and Army Commendation Medal for his duty performance. He retired from the Army in 1999, and was currently employed with GEO at the Lawton Correctional Facility, as the Head Training Officer. He married Julie Japp on November 3, 1984 in Lawton. He was a member of Carriage Hills Christian Church.</p> <p>Survivors Include: His wife Julie and their 2 Children, Jack Herschel and Brandi Linn all of the home. Mother: Mary Swofford of Tuttle, OK, Sister and Brother In-Law: Darla and Ron Brinker of Lawton, and a Brother and Sister In-Law: John and Gena Swofford of Shawnee, OK. Also survived by numerous Nieces and Nephews.</p> <p>He was preceded in death by: Father, Son-John Daniel, 2 Brothers: Bill and Mike.</p> <p>Memorial contributions may be made to: Giddy Up-N-Go, Lawton, Oklahoma.</p> <p>Source: Lawton Constitution, Lawton, OK, March 26, 2005.</p> |
| Swope, Russell | <p>(March 11, 1950-Feb. 21, 2007) Russell Swope Jr., 56, of Spring Valley died Feb. 21. He was born in Spangler, Pa.</p> <p>He was a retired Navy senior chief petty officer. He was a veteran of the</p> |

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| | <p>Vietnam War and Operation Desert Storm.</p> <p>Survivors include his wife, Oephilia Swope; daughter, Patricia Flowers of San Diego; sons, Russell Swope III and Patrick Swope of San Diego; parents, Russell Swope Sr. and Florine Swope of Patton, Pa.; brother, Richard Swope of Mineral Point, Pa.; and three grandchildren.</p> <p>Visitation: 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. today, and 10 a.m. to noon tomorrow, El Camino Memorial-Sorrento Valley Chapel, 5600 Carroll Canyon Road, San Diego. Services: noon tomorrow at the chapel. Interment: 1 p.m. tomorrow El Camino Memorial Park.</p> <p>Donations: Lupus Foundation of America, P.O. Box 631047, Baltimore, MD 21263-1047.</p> <p>Source: The San Diego Union-Tribune, San Diego, CA, Feb. 28, 2007, extracted Sep. 24, 2007</p> |
| Sydnor, Gary Frederick | <p>Gary Frederick Sydnor, II, 45, of Maitland, FL, passed away on Tuesday, January 16, 2007 in Deltona.</p> <p>Mr. Sydnor, II was born on July 22, 1961 in Lansing, Michigan and moved to Cenfral Florida from his birth place in 1974. Gary was an honorably discharged US Army and a veteran of Operation Desert Storm,</p> <p>The family will receive friends at Collison Family Funeral Home (Howell Branch Chapel) on January 20, 2007 from 2-4PM and a Memorial Service celebrating his life will be at 4PM.</p> <p>Gary is survived by his loving parents, Rosalyn Joyce Sydnor, Maitland and his father, Gary F. Sydnor, Deltona; sisters, Terese (Kevin) Uliano, Michelle Lane; brother, Michael Sydnor; nieces and nephews, Danielle, Tina, Tony, Nick, Josh, Taylor, Brooke, Michael and a great niece, Destiny.</p> <p>Arrangements are entrusted to Collison Family Funeral Homes And Crematory, Howell Branch Chapel, 3806 Howell Branch Road, Winter Park, FL. 407-678-4500</p> <p>Source: The Orlando Sentinel, Orlando, FL, Jan. 20, 2007, extracted Sep. 24, 2007</p> |
| Sykes, Wilburn | <p>Wilburn "Roughouse" Sykes, 62, of Newbern, died Tuesday, Oct. 29, 2002 at Methodist Healthcare-Dyersburg Hospital. He was a retired employee of Dyersburg Fabrics Inc., a member of Lenox Baptist church, 269th MP Company for 25 years, he was a staff sergeant in the National Guard and served in the Gulf War.</p> <p>Services were at 10 a.m. today in the chapel of J.W. Curry & Son Funeral Home with the Rev. Danny O'Guinn officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery in Dyersburg.</p> <p>Source: State Gazette, Dyersburg, Tennessee</p> |
| Sykora, Donald L. | <p>SAUGERTIES -- Donald L. Sykora, 59, died suddenly Sunday, May 9, 1999. Born in Gaines, PA, he was the son of Margaret Liles Sykora and the late Anthony Sykora. He was a Principal Stationary Engineer at the Downstate Correctional Facility, Fishkill, NY. He retired from the Air Force as a Tee Sergeant after 20 years. Don served in the Vietnam War and Desert Storm. He was a member of the Bethlehem Elks and former member of the Coeymans Fire Company. Survivors include his wife, Charlene Bonesteel Sykora; son of</p> |

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| | <p>Margaret Liles Sykora and the late Anthony Sykora; father of Kimberli Cain and Jay R. Sykora, both of Elmira; stepfather of John C. Sobiecki (Cynthia) of Albany and Stephen P. Sobiecki (Danna Goldman) of Albany; brother of Albert Sykora (Carolyn) of Millerton, PA, Anna Sykora of Elmira, Virginia Sykora of Millerton, PA and James Sykora (Susan) of Big Flats, NY; grandfather of Emily and Alexander Sobiecki; and six additional grandchildren in Elmira, NY; also survived by several nieces, nephews, aunts and uncles. Funeral services Thursday at 9:45 from the McVeigh Funeral Home, 208 North Allen St., Albany thence to St. Patrick's Church, Albany at 10:30 a.m. where a Mass of Christian Death and Burial will be celebrated. Relatives and friends are invited and may call Wednesday 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the funeral home. Those wishing to remember Don and his family in a special way, may send contributions to the American Heart Association, 440 New Karner Road, Albany, NY 12205.</p> <p>Source: The Times Union, Albany, NY, May 11, 1999, extracted July 13, 2007.</p> |
| Sylvester, Michael A. | <p>Sylvester, Michael A.</p> <p>Michael A. Sylvester, 33, of 426 New Jersey Ave., Absecon, N.J., formerly of 611 S. Pleasant Hill Road, died at 10:10 a.m. Monday, Jan. 28, 2002, at his residence. Born March 10, 1968, in Battle Creek, Mich., to Larry R. Sr. and Carol East Sylvester, he married Ellen Parmet on Jan. 12, 1996, in Prescott, Ariz. Surviving are his mother, Carol (and Robert Sr.) Frank of East Peoria; his father of Chicago; one son, Levi of Prescott, Ariz.; one stepson, Matthew Lane of Prescott; one brother, Larry Jr. of Chicago; a half brother, Robert Frank Jr. of East Peoria; two stepbrothers, Kevin (and Kathryn) Frank of Uxbridge, Ontario, Canada, and Anthony (and Lisa) Frank of Peoria; and one sister, Melodie Hedrick-Clemons (and Michael Clemons) of Chicago. He served in the Navy during Operation Desert Storm. He was an auto mechanic. Private family services were held at Knapp-Johnson Funeral Home in Morton. Burial was in Camp Butler National Cemetery in Springfield, where military honors were accorded by the Interveterans Burial Detail of Sangamon County. Memorials may be made to the Michael Sylvester memorial fund established at Morton Community Bank. Caption: Michael Sylvester (1986)</p> <p>Source: The Peoria Journal Star, Peoria, IL, Feb. 2, 2002, extracted Jun. 25, 2007</p> |
| Szerlong, Todd Allen | <p>Szerlong, Todd Allen</p> <p>FRISCO - Todd Allen Szerlong, 26, a vice president of marketing, died Tuesday at a hospital in Seattle.</p> <p>Funeral: 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Prestonwood Baptist Church. Burial: Ridgeview Memorial Park in McKinney. Visitation: 7 to 8:30 tonight at Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow.</p> <p>Todd Allen Szerlong was born June 28, 1969, in Elmhurst, Ill. He married Laurel Anne Leonard on July 26, 1989, in Denton. He graduated from Lewisville High School in 1987 and attended Southern Illinois University. He served with the U.S. Army in Desert Storm and most recently was vice president of marketing for Library Resource Management Systems Inc.</p> <p>Survivors: Wife, Laurel Anne Szerlong of Frisco; daughter, Whitney Szerlong of Frisco; sons, Nicholas Szerlong and Zachary Szerlong of Frisco; parents, Al Szerlong of McKinney and Patty Szerlong of Itasca, Ill.; sisters, Elizabeth</p> |

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| | <p>Szerlong and Annie Szerlong, both of Itasca; grandparents, Hank and Eleanor Szerlong of Mesa, Ariz.; and grandmother, Ann Rasmussen of Wauconda, Ill. Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow McKinney</p> |
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Source: Fort Worth Star-Telegram, Fort Worth, TX, April 12, 1996, extracted June 21, 2007.