

SADLER, Barry Sadler

(Abstracted from several sources - mostly USA TODAY Sunday, November 5, 1989)

NASHVILLE, Tenn. - Author and singer Barry Sadler, the soldier made famous by his Vietnam-era "Ballad of the Green Berets," died Sunday at the Alvin C. York Veteran's Administration Hospital in nearby Murfreesboro. Since the 1966 hit, Sadler, 49, had written more than 25 action novels. Sadler was shot in the head in Guatemala last year in what was described as a robbery attempt. He had been in the hospital since March 6. "He expired early in the morning" said Albert Archie, staff assistant to the hospital's medical director. "When they checked him, he had been asleep and then someone on the ward found him in that way." The wound left the former Army staff sergeant paralyzed on one side of his body because a portion of his brain had been damaged. Sadler underwent surgery at Vanderbilt University Medical Center on Sept. 13 of last year, a week after being shot. According to Guatemalan authorities, Sadler was apparently robbed entering a taxi there. Friends said Sadler, who was linked to mercenary groups in Central America, had received death threats just prior to the shooting and had "Die, Gringo" painted on the side of his house. Sadler's legal guardian, Nashville attorney Phil W. Duer, said that to his knowledge, Sadler had spent some five years in Guatemala writing books. "There are a lot of rumors," Duer said, "but whether they're true or not, they are rumors." Sadler's agent, Bob Robison, said the author had written two action novels during his time in Guatemala - "Run for the Sun," published in 1986, and "The Shooter" in 1987. Robison said Sadler's novels focused on the lives of mercenary soldiers. He received the most fame for the 22-volume Casca series about an "eternal mercenary" who fought with many of history's premier soldiers, such as the Norse Vikings, the Mexican Aztecs and the Allied Forces in World War II. "Pound for pound, he was probably one of the greatest writers this country has ever produced," Robison said. "In his genre, no one could touch him." Much of the author's works reflected his experiences as an Army paratrooper and Vietnam veteran. In 1966, he won fame for co-writing and recording the "Green Berets," which was the No. 1 song in the nation for five weeks. In 1980, Sadler served a 30-day jail sentence in Davidson County (Nashville) after being convicted of voluntary manslaughter in 1978 for killing musical composer Lee Emerson Bellamy after the victim allegedly threatened Sadler and a friend.

SALISBURY, Earl William Salisbury

(Abstracted from information found in the Toledo Blade on Jan. 3, 2013 - Lucky used to work with Elmer at Duff Truck Lines)
Earl William "Lucky" Salisbury, age 85 of Perrysburg, OH passed away peacefully on Monday, December 31, 2012, in his daughter's home. Earl was born in Harbor View, OH on March 11, 1927, to Earl R. and Sylvia (Hayward) Salisbury. Earl was employed for Duff Truck Line for many years until his retirement. He also drove truck for Casper Cartage for 9 years. Earl was an Army Veteran. He was a country musician for over 40 years. In the past year, Earl was able to travel to Gatlinburg, TN and Pigeon Forge, TN which he loved and spent many weekends camping. Surviving are 5 sons, Kenneth L. (Debbie) Salisbury, Joey A. (Pam) Salisbury, Franklin J. Salisbury, Earl W. Salisbury Jr., Wesley R. (Debbie) Salisbury, and 2 daughters, Sandra K. (Larry) husband and Diane R. (Allen) Ingle; 26 grandchildren; 45 plus great-grandchildren. In addition to his parents; Earl was preceded in death by his loving wife, Phyllis on February 1, 2012; sons, Michael L. Salisbury and Eugene R. Salisbury, and daughter-in-law, Pam Salisbury. Funeral services will be held on Friday at Maison-Dardenne-Walker Funeral Home 501 Conant St., Maumee. Interment will follow at Ottawa Hills Memorial Park. Memorial Contributions may be made to the family.

SANTOS, Dave M. Santos

(Abstracted from <http://thefallen.militarytimes.com/marine-cpl-dave-m-santos/4716075>)

Marine Cpl. Dave M. Santos, died July 16, 2010 while serving during Operation Enduring Freedom. Santos, age 21, of Rota, Marianas Islands of the Pacific; assigned to 2nd Battalion, 6th Marines, 2nd Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Lejeune, N.C.; died July 16 while supporting combat operations in Helmand province, Afghanistan. As the father of a Marine in a war zone, David Mundo Santos' heart sank when he saw a pair of unexpected visitors walk up to his front door. A Marine major in full uniform, accompanied by a priest, visited his Rota home. "I saw them walking from their car, and I knew something was not right," David Santos said. The visit was to let the Santos family know that his son, Cpl. Dave Michael Santos, 21, was killed in Afghanistan. A fellow Marine is accused of killing Santos, his father said. According to David Santos, a military representative tasked to officially notify the family of his son's death said Dave Santos allegedly was stabbed by a fellow Marine. "And that's the hardest to accept - I thought the enemy would cause the hurt," David Santos said. "It was devastating to know it was a fellow Marine." Dave Santos was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 6th Marines, out of Camp Lejeune, N.C. David Santos said he was told his son was preparing for duty when he was stabbed July 16 in Afghanistan. The circumstances of the attack, and what motivated it, are some of the questions that Santos' relatives say they would like answered. Northern Mariana Lt. Gov. Eloy Inos told the Saipan Tribune on July 19 that the islands' government wants the military to do "a full investigation of the situation. ... Hopefully that will bring closure to this." In announcing Dave Santos' death on July 19, the Defense Department said that the death was under investigation. David Santos said when the chaplain and a military representative walked into his home July 16, it felt like a scene tragically reminiscent of his oldest sister's experience just a few years ago. His sister's second-oldest child became the first Rota resident killed in the war on terror. Army Cpl. Joe G. Charfauros Jr., 33, was among 14 American soldiers killed in a single day in Iraq on June 20, 2007, according to Pacific Daily News files. "My oldest sister's son, he was the first from our island," David Santos said. He said his son "is our second one from the island." Dave

Santos is the 36th person from the Micronesia region to die while deployed overseas in the war on terror since 2003, according to Pacific Daily News files. The Northern Mariana Islands, considered part of the Micronesia region, are located in the South Pacific, north of Guam. Dave Santos was the oldest child of David Santos and Bella Maratita. He was the oldest brother to two sisters and a brother. Dave Santos joined the Marines after graduating in 2007 from Rota High School. His participation in the school's Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps inspired him to enlist in the military, his father said. "He always wanted to be a Marine," David Santos said. "He really, really wanted to be a Marine." David Santos said his son was also inspired to join because generations of family members on his side had served in the military. "He had the love of being a Marine," David Santos said. Dave Santos married a local girl, Lotty Anne Santos, and together they were starting a family. The couple has a toddler, Anthony David Santos. "He has a 3-year-old boy," David Santos said. David Santos said his son last visited Rota last year, and he spoke to his son by phone just last week. In that phone conversation, David Santos said there was no hint of his son being worried about anything while in Afghanistan. "He was talking about life there. He's been there for a month only and was supposed to be there for 10 months or a year," David Santos said. "He never talked about fear — about being afraid." While waiting for answers, David Santos' family is making preparations for their son's return to his small island, where he will be laid to rest. "We will bring Dave home," David Santos said.

SAWYER, Tom Sawyer

(Abstracted from information received from Judi Sawyer, a genealogy friend of Elmer's)

Tom Sawyer was a good man. A funny man. A musical man. We lost him too early on August 10, 2015. He was born in Miami, in 1952 to Vic and Betty. He was a troublemaker from the start. As a teen he developed a passion for music and his musical star shone bright in the band *Geekus* and more recently the local band *Dragonfly*. Tom moved to Manatee County in 1984 to start the first banana import business at Port Manatee and continued to work in the maritime industry. Tom is survived by his loving wife and high-school sweetheart, Chiqui; his quirky daughters, Charlene and Jaqui; along with his talented son-in-laws, Angelo & Peter; sisters, Rona, Patricia, Alice and Judy; brother, John and loving families. A Celebration of Tom's Life will be Saturday, August 15, 2015 at the River House in Palmetto. Brown & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory 43rd Street Chapel in charge of arrangements. In lieu of flowers, good vibes and donations can be sent to anchor-house.org.

SAYLES, Harriet E. Sayles

(Abstracted by courtesy of the News-Sentinel, October 10, 2002)

Harriet E. Sayles, 91, of Fort Wayne, a Jay County native, died Tuesday, Oct. 8, 2002, at Parkview Hospital. "She enjoyed playing bridge, crossword puzzles and watching sports." She was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church and its Alice Circle. She was a graduate of Portland High School and International Business College. Surviving are daughters Carolyn Sayles of Greenwood and Mary Cunningham of Plano, Texas; two grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. Her husband, Gaylord J., three brothers and a sister preceded her in death. Services are 1:30 p.m. Friday at D.O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home, 1140 Lake Ave., with calling from 4 to 6 p.m. today. Burial will be at Covington Memorial Gardens. Memorials are to the church or Shriners Hospital for Children. Information provided by D.O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home, 1140 Lake Ave., 426-9494.

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SCHAFF, Collin John Michael Schaff

(Abstracted from <http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/tribnet/obituary.aspx?page=lifestory&pid=186168632>)

CPL Collin John-Michael Schaff was killed in an aircraft mishap over Leflore County, Mississippi on July 10, 2017. He was an Aviation Ordinance Technician with the Marine Aerial Refueler Transport Squadron 452, Marine Aircraft Group 49, 4th Marine Air Wing, Newburgh, NY. Collin was born January 11, 1995 in Riverside, CA and graduated from Franklin Pierce High School (Tacoma, WA) in 2013. He was actively involved with the ROTC for four years. Collin graduated from Boot Camp on November 22, 2013. He married Sarah Beth Hawkins, the love of his life, on February 12, 2015. He was awarded the Marine Corps Good Conduct Medal; Global War on Terrorism Service Medal; National Defense Service Medal; Letter of Appreciation (2); and a Certificate of Commendation (Individual Award). Collin loved to volunteer, and Toys for Tots was his favorite charity. He was a

collector of many things. He loved candy, camping, and bow hunting. Collin was preceded in death by his father, Walter Joseph Schaaff, Jr. He leaves behind his pregnant wife, Sarah Beth Schaaff, and his daughter Willow; his mother Angel Schmitt; and brothers Christian Schaaff and Maverick Schmitt. Private Military Honors will be held at Tahoma National Cemetery. A reception will be Sunday, July 30, 2017, at Franklin Pierce High School, Tacoma, WA. He was a loving son, husband, and father. He has touched the lives of many. Most of all, he was a proud patriot and a proud U.S. Marine.

SCHLEGEL, Albert Lewis Schlegel Jr.

(Abstracted from <http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/islandpacket/obituary.aspx?pid=184703891>)

Captain Albert Lewis "Smiley" Schlegel, Jr., age 25, a true World War II hero, who had been declared killed in action in 1944 after flying a mission over Valmy, France. His body remained interred in an American Cemetery in France until researchers confirmed theories that were consistent with Capt. Schlegel's military history. Funeral services will be Wednesday, March 29, 2017 at Museum Chapel, National Museum of the Mighty Eighth Air Force in Pooler, with a flyover in the "missing man" formation. Interment will be held Thursday, March 30, 2017 at Beaufort National Cemetery with full military honors. Captain Schlegel is survived by his nephew, Perry Nuhn, Col., USAF, ret., and his wife, Ritamarie of Callawassie Island. Anderson Funeral Home and Crematory is assisting the family.

SCHNEIDER, Donald J. Schneider

(Abstracted from information from the *Green Bay Press Gazette*)

Donald J. Schneider, 76, Green Bay, died Friday, Jan. 13, 2012, in De Pere, with his family by his side following a lengthy and courageous battle with Alzheimer's disease. Born in Fond du Lac, WI, on Oct. 19, 1935, to Al and Agnes (Halfmann) Schneider, he was born the same year his father sold the family car to buy his first truck — a simple purchase that laid the groundwork for what would become, under Don's leadership, one of the most successful, recognizable, and respected transportation and logistics companies in North America, Schneider National. Don's deep and lasting commitment to his Catholic faith was first instilled by his parents and reinforced throughout his education. He attended Cathedral Grade School, Catholic Central High School and graduated from St. Norbert College with a degree in business in 1957. He married Patricia "Pat" O'Brien at St. Patrick's Church in Green Bay in 1957. Following a 13-month tour of duty in Korea, with the U.S. Army, Schneider enrolled in graduate school at the Wharton School of Business at the University of Pennsylvania. Upon earning his master's degree, Don and Pat returned to Green Bay in 1961 and he joined his father's trucking company, Schneider Transport & Storage, as a manager. He also taught finance at his alma mater, St. Norbert College, during this time. In 1976, Don assumed leadership of the company and served as president and CEO until 2002 and Chairman Emeritus until his death. During the time Don led the organization bearing his family's name, the company grew, survived and thrived throughout some of the modern trucking industry's greatest challenges. He had an unwavering belief that with innovation, hard work and the commitment to excellence of associates, anything was possible. Through the years, Don was responsible for creating thousands of jobs and providing a livelihood for many — a legacy that lives on today. A humble man, he was known simply as "Don" to Schneider National's associates and was just as likely as they were to wear blue jeans, a denim shirt and cowboy boots to work. Don shared his time and talents with a wide range of academic, industry, business and community organizations. He served as the chairman of the Business Advisory Committee for Northwestern University's Transportation Center, was a member of the Advisory Board for the Kellogg School of Management, was a director on the Federal Reserve Board in Chicago and served on the Boards of Directors at Fort Howard Paper Company and Franklin Electric. He also was a member of the Board and Executive Committee of the Green Bay Packers and of the Board of Trustees of St. Norbert College. Don believed in leaving things better than he found them. In 1982, he created the company's charitable arm, the Schneider National Foundation. The Foundation has donated millions of dollars and thousands of volunteer hours to charities in need since its founding. Don also chaired the Capital Campaign for Notre Dame Academy, the annual campaign for United Way of Brown County and was chairman of the Catholic High School Foundation. The Schneider Family provided the lead gift for the St. Norbert Athletic Stadium, the Donald J. Schneider Outdoor Athletic Complex, in 2008. Don is survived by his wife of 54 years, Pat, of Green Bay; and his 5 children, Mary (Mark) DePrey, of Green Bay; Therese (Mark) Koller, of Eden Prairie, MN; Thomas Schneider, of Fish Creek; Kathleen (James) Zimmermann, of Green Bay; and Paul (Nicole) Schneider, of De Pere; 13 grandchildren including Patricia (Lee) Adams, Christopher DePrey, Megan DePrey, Kristin Koller, Sarah Koller, Michael Koller, Andrew Zimmermann, Elizabeth Zimmermann, Lindsay Zimmermann, Molly Schneider, William Schneider, Alan Schneider and Samuel Schneider; 2 great-grandchildren, Emma and Eli Adams; and 18,222 members of his Schneider National family around the world. He is further survived by 4 brothers and 1 sister, David (Barbara) Schneider, of Green Bay; Paul (Brenda) Schneider, of Egg Harbor; James (Debbie) Schneider, of Green Bay; John (Donna) Schneider, of Berkeley, CA; and Kathleen Schneider, of Rensenburg, NY; and 3 brothers-in-law, Rev. Dr. Charles (Elvy) O'Brien, Rev. John O'Brien, and Dr. Michael (Sally) O'Brien; and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, Al and Agnes Schneider; by his father and mother-in-law, Dr. Irwin and Margaret O'Brien; and his brother-in-law, Father Christian (Thomas) O'Brien, O. Praem. Newcomer Funeral Home (formerly Schauer-Schumacher Funeral Home), 340 S. Monroe Ave., Green Bay is handling the arrangements. Funeral services will be Wednesday at Resurrection Catholic Church, 333 Hilltop Dr., Green Bay. Entombment will be in Allouez Chapel Mausoleum. Current and past Schneider

National office, shop and driver associates, industry friends and community leaders are encouraged to only attend a separate Celebration of Life event to be held on Feb. 15, 2012, at the Walter Theatre at St. Norbert's College. In lieu of other expressions of sympathy, donations can be made to the NEW Community Shelter or to St. John the Evangelist Homeless Shelter in Don's name.

SCHULZ, Barbara Jean Browning Schulz

(Abstracted from information received from Pat Richley-Erickson)

Barbara Jean Browning Schulz, born on July 7, 1933, passed peacefully from this world on the morning of April 23, 2017, with her family by her side. Originally from Griffin, GA, she moved to the Arlington, VA area in her youth, where she spent the majority of her life. Barbara married the love of her life, Richard L. Schulz, on June 1, 1951 and the two raised their one child, Vicki, in Springfield, VA. Barbara worked her entire career, 36 years, as an Accounts Analyst for the United States Army, ultimately retiring from Fort Belvoir in 1988. She relocated to the Bradenton, FL area where she remained for the rest of her life. A passionate historian, Barbara served in leadership positions for numerous lineage societies including: The Daughters of the American Revolution, The United Daughters of the Confederacy, Colonial Dames of America, Daughters of Union Veterans, Southern Dames of America, The Society of 1812, The Ancient and Honorable Auxiliary, The Jamestowne Society of Middle Florida, and The Huguenot Society. She spent many years active in Masonic organizations, serving in local and state-level leadership capacities in The Order of The Eastern Star, The Order of the Amaranth, Ladies of The Oriental Shrine, White Shrine of Jerusalem, and The International Order of Job's Daughters. After her retirement, Barbara cultivated her love of genealogy, enjoying association in genealogical and historical societies throughout the east coast. A loving and generous friend, Barbara spent her years in Florida traveling with close companions who shared her passions. She was preceded in death by her husband, Richard, her mother Velma Carter, and her sister, Joy. Barbara is survived by her daughter Vicki Facemire, her son-in-law, David, and their three children, Phillip Facemire (Audrey), Krista Bennett (Michael), and Katie Facemire (Michael Snead); five adoring great-grandchildren, Michael and Noah Bennett, Jack and Zoey Facemire, and Lydia Snead. She also leaves behind a sister, Mary Long (Herb), brothers, Lou Caron and John Brown, and many nieces, nephews and cousins. Services will be Saturday, April 29, 2017 at Brown & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory 43rd Street Chapel, 604 43rd Street West Bradenton, FL 34209. In Lieu of flowers Memorial donations may be made to DUV or UDC in memory of Barbara. There will be another Celebration of Life held at a later date.

SCHWARZKOPF, Gen. H. Norman Schwarzkopf

(Abstracted by Elmer) WASHINGTON (AP) — Retired Gen. H. Norman Schwarzkopf, who topped an illustrious military career by commanding the U.S.-led international coalition that drove Saddam Hussein's forces out of Kuwait in 1991 but kept a low public profile in controversies over the second Gulf War against Iraq, died Thursday. He was 78. Schwarzkopf died in Tampa, Florida, where he had lived in retirement, according to a U.S. official, who was not authorized to release the information publicly and spoke on condition of anonymity. A much-decorated combat soldier in Vietnam, Schwarzkopf was known popularly as "Stormin' Norman" for a notoriously explosive temper. He served in his last military assignment in Tampa as commander-in-chief of U.S. Central Command, the headquarters responsible for U.S. military and security concerns in nearly 20 countries from the eastern Mediterranean and Africa to Pakistan. Schwarzkopf became "CINC-Centcom" in 1988 and when Saddam Hussein invaded Kuwait three years later to punish it for allegedly stealing Iraqi oil reserves, he commanded Operation Desert Storm, the coalition of some 30 countries organized by then-President George H.W. Bush that succeeded in driving the Iraqis out. At the peak of his postwar national celebrity, Schwarzkopf — a self-proclaimed political independent — rejected suggestions that he run for office, and remained far more private than other generals, although he did serve briefly as a military commentator for NBC. While focused primarily in his later years on charitable enterprises, he campaigned for President George W. Bush in 2000 but was ambivalent about the 2003 invasion of Iraq, saying he doubted victory would be as easy as the White House and Pentagon predicted. In early 2003 he told the Washington Post the outcome was an unknown: "What is postwar Iraq going to look like, with the Kurds and the Sunnis and the Shiites? That's a huge question, to my mind. It really should be part of the overall campaign plan," he said. Initially Schwarzkopf had endorsed the invasion, saying he was convinced that former Secretary of State Colin Powell had given the United Nations powerful evidence of Iraqi weapons of mass destruction. After that proved false, he said decisions to go to war should depend on what U.N. weapons inspectors found. He seldom spoke up during the conflict, but in late 2004, he sharply criticized then-Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld and the Pentagon for mistakes that included inadequate training for Army reservists sent to Iraq and for erroneous judgments about Iraq. "In the final analysis I think we are behind schedule. ... I don't think we counted on it turning into jihad (holy war)," he said in an NBC interview. Schwarzkopf was born Aug. 24, 1934, in Trenton, New Jersey, where his father, Col. H. Norman Schwarzkopf Jr., founder and commander of the New Jersey State Police, was then leading the investigation of the Lindbergh kidnap case, which ended with the arrest and 1936 execution of German-born carpenter Richard Hauptmann for stealing and murdering the famed aviator's infant son. The elder Schwarzkopf was named Herbert, but when the son was asked what his "H" stood for, he would reply, "H." Although reputed to be short-tempered with aides and subordinates, he was a friendly, talkative and even jovial figure who didn't like "Stormin' Norman" and preferred to be known as "the Bear," a sobriquet given him by troops. He also was outspoken

at times, including when he described Gen. William Westmoreland, the U.S. commander in Vietnam, as "a horse's ass" in an Associated Press interview. As a teenager Norman accompanied his father to Iran, where the elder Schwarzkopf trained the country's national police force and was an adviser to Reza Pahlavi, the young Shah of Iran. Young Norman studied there and in Switzerland, Germany and Italy, then followed in his father's footsteps to West Point, graduating in 1956 with an engineering degree. After stints in the U.S. and abroad, he earned a master's degree in engineering at the University of Southern California and later taught missile engineering at West Point. In 1966 he volunteered for Vietnam and served two tours, first as a U.S. adviser to South Vietnamese paratroops and later as a battalion commander in the U.S. Army's Americal Division. He earned three Silver Stars for valor — including one for saving troops from a minefield — plus a Bronze Star, a Purple Heart and three Distinguished Service Medals. While many career officers left military service embittered by Vietnam, Schwarzkopf was among those who opted to stay and help rebuild the tattered Army into a potent, modernized all-volunteer force. After Saddam invaded Kuwait in August 1990, Schwarzkopf played a key diplomatic role by helping to persuade Saudi Arabia's King Fahd to allow U.S. and other foreign troops to deploy on Saudi territory as a staging area for the war to come. On Jan. 17, 1991, a five-month buildup called Desert Shield became Operation Desert Storm as allied aircraft attacked Iraqi bases and Baghdad government facilities. The six-week aerial campaign climaxed with a massive ground offensive on Feb. 24-28, routing the Iraqis from Kuwait in 100 hours before U.S. officials called a halt. Schwarzkopf said afterward he agreed with Bush's decision to stop the war rather than drive to Baghdad to capture Saddam, as his mission had been only to oust the Iraqis from Kuwait. But in a desert tent meeting with vanquished Iraqi generals, he allowed a key concession on Iraq's use of helicopters, which later backfired by enabling Saddam to crack down more easily on rebellious Shiites and Kurds. While he later avoided the public second-guessing by academics and think tank experts over the ambiguous outcome of Gulf War I and its impact on Gulf War II, he told the Washington Post in 2003, "You can't help but... with 20/20 hindsight, go back and say, 'Look, had we done something different, we probably wouldn't be facing what we are facing today.' After retiring from the Army in 1992, Schwarzkopf wrote a best-selling autobiography, "It Doesn't Take A Hero." Of his Gulf war role, he said, "I like to say I'm not a hero. I was lucky enough to lead a very successful war." He was knighted by Queen Elizabeth II and honored with decorations from France, Britain, Belgium, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, Qatar and Bahrain. Schwarzkopf was a national spokesman for prostate cancer awareness and for Recovery of the Grizzly Bear, served on the Nature Conservancy board of governors and was active in various charities for chronically ill children. "I may have made my reputation as a general in the Army and I'm very proud of that," he once told the AP. "But I've always felt that I was more than one-dimensional. I'd like to think I'm a caring human being. ... It's nice to feel that you have a purpose." Schwarzkopf and his wife, Brenda, had three children: Cynthia, Jessica and Christian.

SELIGMAN, Phil Seligman

(Abstracted from the Toledo Blade, Tuesday 14 November, 1995)

Phil Seligman, age 87, of Indian Road died Sunday, November 12, 1995 in the Toledo Hospital after a brief illness. Mr. Seligman established Seligman Brothers Record Bar on Sylvania Avenue in 1935 and operated it with his brother until his retirement in 1985 when the business was sold to his employees. The Record Bar was one of the most complete record stores of its kind in the area, serving customers from many parts of the United States and Canada. Mr. Seligman, an Army Veteran, served in England and France during WW II. He was a lifelong member of Temple B'Nai Israel. Mr. Seligman was preceded in death by his brothers, Maurice and William of Cleveland and his sisters Rose Kaufman, Dorothy Unger and Gertrude Steinman. Surviving are his brother, Hyman Seligman and sisters, May Goldman of Port Huron, MI and Jeannette Goldman and several nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be Tuesday, November 14, 1995 at the Robert H. Wick Funeral Home, 2426 North Reynolds Road, with interment to be in Beth Shalom Cemetery in Oregon, OH. Memorial contributions may be made to Temple B'Nai Israel.

SEDLER, Irena Sendler

(Abstracted from the Legacy website)

WARSAW, Poland (AP) - Irena Sendler - a Polish social worker who helped save some 2,500 Jewish children from the Nazis by smuggling them out of the Warsaw Ghetto and giving them false identities - has died. She was 98. Sendler died at a Warsaw hospital on Monday morning, her daughter, Janina Zgrzemska, told The Associated Press. She had been hospitalized since last month with pneumonia. Sendler was serving as a social worker with the city's welfare department during World War II when she masterminded the risky rescue operations of Jewish children from the Warsaw Ghetto during Nazi Germany's brutal World War II occupation. Records show that Sendler's team of some 20 people saved nearly 2,500 children from the Warsaw Ghetto between October 1940 and April 1943, when the Nazis burned the ghetto, shooting the residents or sending them to death camps. "A great person has died - a person with a great heart, with great organizational talents, a person who always stood on the side of the weak," Marek Edelman, the last surviving leader of the 1943 Warsaw Ghetto uprising, told TVN24 television. Under the pretext of inspecting the ghetto's sanitary conditions during a typhoid outbreak, Sendler and her assistants went inside in search of children who could be smuggled out and given a chance of survival by living as Catholics. Babies and small children were smuggled out in ambulances and in trams, sometimes wrapped up as packages. Teenagers escaped by joining teams of workers forced to labor outside the ghetto. They were placed in families, orphanages, hospitals or convents. In hopes of one

day uniting the children with their families - most of whom perished in the Nazis' death camps - Sendler wrote the children's real names on slips of paper that she kept at home. When German police came to arrest her in 1943, an assistant managed to hide the slips, which Sendler later buried in a jar under an apple tree in an associate's yard. Some 2,500 names were recorded. "It took a true miracle to save a Jewish child," Elzbieta Ficowska, who was saved by Sendler's team as a baby in 1942, recalled in an AP interview in 2007. "Mrs. Sendler saved not only us, but also our children and grandchildren and the generations to come." Anyone caught helping Jews in Nazi-occupied Poland risked being summarily shot, along with family members - a fate Sendler only barely escaped herself after the 1943 raid by the Gestapo. The Nazis took her to the Pawiak prison, which few left alive. She was tortured and was left with permanent scarring on her body - but she refused to betray her team. "I kept silent. I preferred to die than to reveal our activity," she was quoted as saying in Anna Mieszkowska's biography, "Mother of the Children of the Holocaust: The Story of Irena Sendler." Żegota, an underground organization helping Jews, for which she worked at the time, paid a bribe to German guards to free her from the prison. Under a different name, she continued her work. After World War II, Sendler worked as a social welfare official and director of vocational schools, continuing to assist some of the children she rescued. Sendler's daughter once told the AP that during her childhood, the family house "was always full of people asking for help, chiefly looking for their lost relatives." In 1965, Sendler became one of the first so-called Righteous Gentiles honored by the Yad Vashem Holocaust memorial in Jerusalem for wartime heroics. Poland's communist leaders at that time would not allow her to travel to Israel; she collected the award in 1983. Despite the Yad Vashem honor, Sendler was largely forgotten in her homeland. Only in her final years, confined to a nursing home, did she finally become one of Poland's most respected figures, with President Lech Kaczyński and other politicians backing a campaign that put her name forward for the Nobel Peace Prize. That effort came after her name was brought to the world's attention in 2000 by a group of U.S. schoolgirls from Uniontown, Kansas, who wrote a short play about her bravery based on historic records called "Life in a Jar." It went on to garner international attention, and has been performed more than 200 times in the United States, Canada and Poland. Sendler, born Irena Krzyżanowska, was 2 when her family moved from Warsaw to nearby Otwock, where her father, a doctor, directed a spa hospital. He died of typhoid fever in 1917. Sendler said she lived according to her father's teachings, arguing that "people can be only divided into good or bad; their race, religion, nationality don't matter." Before the war, she married Mieczysław Sendler, but they divorced when the war was over. She then married another underground activist, Stefan Żgrzebski, and they had two sons and a daughter. One of the boys died a few days after birth. The second son, Adam, died of a heart failure in 1999. Sendler is survived by her daughter and a granddaughter.

SERIE, Etheyl A. Serie

(Abstracted from The NewsTribune, La Salle, Illinois, December 22, 1997)

Mrs. Etheyl A. Serie, 93, formerly of Sheffield, died Dec. 20, 1997, in the Walnut Manor Nursing Home. Services will be at the Garland Funeral Home, Walnut. Burial will be in Sheffield Cemetery. She was born Sept. 29, 1904, in New Bedford to Oscar and Hattie Nevada (Winkler) Swan. She married Seriel M. Serie on Aug. 19, 1927, in Princeton. She was an elementary school teacher in the rural country schools in the area, and retired after 37 years of teaching. She also operated a knitting shop in Sheffield and taught knitting for a number of years. She was preceded in death by her husband on Jan. 20, 1988, and several brothers and sisters.

SEXTON, Audrey Ann Sexton

(Abstracted from information sent to Elmer by one of his relatives, Carol Watson)

Audrey Ann Sexton, age 78, of Spring Hill, FL died on Friday July 7, 2017. Mrs. Sexton was born in Yonkers, NY on October 8, 1938 to the late Edward and Florence Hvisc Morrison. We lost the most beautiful, fun, life-loving woman that has ever graced this earth! For those of you that were lucky enough to know her, know what a loss this truly is. She has taught us all so much. She had such a love of life. She was an example of what a mother, wife and grandmother should be. We are going to miss her more than words can ever say. She is survived by her son John and wife Anita; son Thomas and wife Jane; sisters Aileen Dellacato and Joanne Harris; brothers Edward Morrison and Ronnie Morrison; and grandchildren Johnny Sexton, Robert Sexton, Kira Sexton, Ashley Sexton, Branden Clemens and Aubrey Rankin. Brewer & Sons 280 Mariner Blvd, Spring Hill FL is entrusted with the arrangements. A funeral mass will be Tuesday, July 11, 2017 The Church of Saint Mary Our Lady Of Sorrows 18810 U.S. 41, Masaryktown, FL 34604 (352) 796-2792. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to: HPH Hospice Foundation 12107 Majestic Blvd. Hudson. FL 34667 or The American Cancer Society 14540 Cortez Blvd. # 203 Brooksville, FL 34613

SHAW, Willis Dean Shaw

(Abstracted from information found on the internet - Willis was at one time a customer of Elmer)

Willis Dean Shaw, 95, of Fayetteville, died April 20, 2014 at Circle of Life Hospice, Springdale, Arkansas. He was born August 29, 1918 in Custer County, OK to George Howard and Eva Lena Shepard Shaw. He spent the happiest years of his life with his wife of 72 years, Helen Lorene Dodd, who preceded him in death. He is survived by two sons and their families, Bobby (Diane) of Springdale, Dennis (Evelyn) of Tontitown; 4 grandchildren, Sherri (Jeff) Dillard of Fayetteville, Brian (Lynn) Shaw of Fayetteville, Jason (Jennifer) Shaw of Sao Paulo, Brazil, and Damon Shaw of Fayetteville; 8 great-grandchildren, Austin and

Ashlyn Dillard, Connor, Mason, Jacob, Caitlyn, Spencer and Ainsleigh Shaw. Willis was a highly respected business leader in Arkansas. His name was most identified with Willis Shaw Express of Elm Springs, a company he founded in 1938 with its beginnings as Willis Shaw Produce. Willis Shaw Express developed into one of the nation's most successful specialized truckload carriers. After selling the company to Del Monte in the early 1970's, he worked for a time as Vice President of Distribution Systems, Inc., Del Monte's transportation holding company. Willis participated with a family and employee group, Shaw Investors, to repurchase Willis Shaw Express in 1983. Four years later the company was acquired by Comcar Industries and continues to operate out of Elm Springs. As with most of his generation, growing up in the Great Depression had a profound effect on him. He moved to Texas at the age of 16 to find work and there joined the National Guard. During these difficult years, Willis exhibited the beginnings of a lifetime embracing the entrepreneurial spirit, trying a variety of jobs. He worked with Elm Springs friends in a gold mine in California; he transported paying passengers to California in his Model A Ford; he transported apples from Ruppel Farm in Fayetteville to markets in Oklahoma. He also hauled coal from Clarksville in his flatbed truck at night and then, in the daytime, cleaned and refitted it with benches to transport rural children to and from the Elm Springs School. Prior to starting Willis Shaw Express, he and his wife Lorene were active in the poultry and produce business of the area. They partnered in Kever and Shaw Feeds, which operated a feed mill, hatchery and poultry farms. Willis was a pioneer in the development of long-haul transportation of live poultry. After he entered the refrigerated transportation business, he introduced several trucking innovations that positively affected the growth of that industry. As a leader in the transportation industry, he was a founder of the Refrigerated Division of the Truckload Carriers Conference of the American Trucking Association and was active in the Arkansas Transportation Association. Willis also served 12 years as Regional Director of the National Defense Reserve for Arkansas, under the auspices of the U.S. Department of Transportation. In 1988, he received the President's Award from the Northwest Arkansas Transportation Society for his leadership in the industry. In 1998, a group of more than a hundred former employees honored him with a surprise banquet and presented him with a trophy engraved "To Our Hero", with the added inscription "Those of us who were your drivers in the 1950's have observed your activities into the 90's and we always think of you as a symbol of honor and integrity." Through the years, Willis served on numerous boards: Springdale Savings and Loan Association, Tri-State Motor Transit, Arkansas Truck Lease Company, Arkansas White Motor Company, First National Bank of Springdale and The Bank of San Francisco. As an active community citizen, he was a member of the Beaver Lake Development Board which helped establish the Beaver Lake Reservoir, the Board of the Springdale School District for 10 years and the Board of the Springdale Memorial Hospital for 29 years and the Board of the Rodeo of the Ozarks. In 2007, the new elementary school in the Elm Springs area was named

Willis D. Shaw Elementary School to honor his service and contributions. The Rodeo of the Ozarks Board recognized him in 2008 by asking him to serve as Grand Marshal of the longstanding Fourth of July Parade. Willis and Lorene were committed to giving back to their community. They valued the gift of education beyond what they were able to attain, and so they established the Willis Shaw Scholarship Fund, which provided college scholarships for more than 100 children of company employees. Longtime members of the Elm Springs Methodist Church before joining the First United Methodist Church of Springdale, they supported both churches. They jointly established the Willis and Lorene Shaw Charitable Trust for the benefit of many local educational, medical and social charities. In addition, they were long-standing supporters of the University of Arkansas Athletic Scholarship Program. Willis traveled extensively throughout his life and, in his retirement years, winters were spent with his wife Lorene in Palm Springs, California, where they both enjoyed playing golf and entertaining friends and family. In his later years, he enjoyed being an investor and a trusted advisor to those close to him. In 2009, he was named to the Arkansas Business Hall of Fame established by the Sam M. Walton School of Business. He was able to enjoy the induction ceremonies in Little Rock at the age of 90, along with many relatives, friends, and former employees. A private burial will be held this week in Elm Springs and the family will have a memorial service on Friday, April 25 at the Springdale First United Methodist Church at 206 West Johnson Street. The family requests that, in lieu of flowers, Willis be remembered in a lasting way with memorial gifts to The Elm Springs United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 8, Elm Springs, AR 72728 or The First United Methodist Church, 206 West Johnson, Springdale, AR 72764. Funeral arrangements are entrusted to Sisco Funeral Chapel of Springdale.

SIPPEL, Suzanne Joan Sippel

(Abstracted from <http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/name/suzanne-sippel-obituary?pid=1000000180275541>)

Suzanne Jean Sippel of Augusta, MI, age 56, died tragically Tuesday evening, June 7, 2016 in a cycling accident near Kalamazoo, MI. Since 1981 Suzanne was married to Stephen Hamilton, who survives. She is also survived by her son, Lucas Hamilton of Augusta; her parents, Robert and Jean Sippel of Dearborn Heights, and a brother, Norman (Muriel) Sippel of Grantham, England. Suzanne loved cycling, running, hiking, yoga, and traveling. She enthusiastically supported cross country and other programs in the Gull Lake Community Schools, served on the board of the Parks Foundation of Kalamazoo County, and previously served on the Ross Township Planning Commission and the Four Townships Water Resources Council. She pursued her love for the outdoors in her professional career as well, including many years of field research together with her husband in Venezuela, Brazil, and Australia. She worked for Michigan State University's Kellogg Biological Station as a data manager on sustainable agriculture research projects since 1995. She held degrees from the University of Colorado and the University of California at Santa Barbara. She was known and loved by many in the community, and had a charming smile, a distinctive laugh, and a deep

appreciation of life. A celebration of Suzanne's life will be Thursday, June 23, 2016 at the Kellogg Biological Station, 3700 E. Gull Lake Drive in Hickory Corners, MI 49060. The service will be held outdoors, next to Gull Lake. Suzanne's family invites all to bring a photo or written words about Suzanne to the celebration of her life, or to write words at KBS before or after the service. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in honor of Suzanne may be directed to expand the Kalamazoo River Valley Trail through the Parks Foundation of Kalamazoo County, P.O. Box 50467, Kalamazoo, MI 49005. The Farley Estes Dowdle Funeral Home & Cremation Care, Richland Chapel is assisting Suzanne's family with her arrangements.

SMARR, Nicholas Ryan Smarr

(Abstracted from Americus Times-Recorder (GA) - Friday, December 9, 2016)

AMERICUS, GA — Nicholas "Nick" Ryan Smarr, age 25, of Americus, died Wednesday, Dec. 7, 2016, at Phoebe Sumter Medical Center. A native of Americus, he was born April 5, 1991, the son of Danny Lee Smarr and Janice Waters Smarr. Mr. Smarr was a corrections officer in Telfair County and attended and graduated from the Police Academy in Forsyth. He was formerly a police officer in McRae, a deputy with the Sumter County Sheriff's Office, a police officer in Vienna and was currently with the Americus Police Department. He loved watching movies, the Falcons and enjoyed all outdoor activities and being with his friends. Funeral services will be Sunday, Dec. 11, 2016, at the Georgia Southwestern State University Storm Dome. The family suggests in lieu of flowers that donations be made to the Nick Smarr Trust Fund at Sumter Bank & Trust. Survivors include his mother, Janice Smarr of Americus; his father and stepmother, Danny and Sherry Smarr of Americus; his loving girlfriend, Rachel Harrod of Americus; a paternal grandmother, Ruth Wilson of Americus; two sisters, Chesley Smarr of Americus and Tiffany Smarr of Americus; a brother, Cameron Smarr of Americus; numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and cousins. He was preceded in death by his maternal grandmother, Linda Waters. Greg Hancock Funeral Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

SMITH, Brandee Marie Smith

(Abstracted from the Johnson-Overturf Funeral Home website)

Brandee Marie Smith, age 35, of East Palatka, passed away on Saturday, April 2, 2016 unexpectedly from injuries received in a boating accident. She was a native and lifelong resident of Putnam County. She had worked as a Deputy for the Putnam County Sheriff's Office since 2012 and her primary assignment was Patrol Deputy. She was also an active Rifle Security Team member, crisis negotiator and a Field Training Officer. She enjoyed spending time at the beach and especially loved the river. Brandee also had a passion for nutrition and loved to cook. She is preceded in death by her grandmother, Carolyn Sharpe. She is survived by her children, Camron A. Smith, Cassidy R. Smith and Syllas D. Smith, her mother, Laurie Cannon, siblings, Ashley Lowe, Tiffany Sweet, Seth Cannon, Joie Chitwood, and Kryston Chitwood, maternal grandfather, George Crawford, father of her children, Michael D. Smith, nieces and nephews, Jeremiah and Elijah Sweet, Mallory and Ethan Lowe and Dalton Reynolds. Services will be Thursday, April 7, 2016 at the Florida School of the Arts Auditorium at St. Johns River State College. Burial will follow in Palatka Memorial Gardens. Flowers are gratefully accepted or memorial donations may be made to the Ten-24 Foundation, P.O. Box 1964, Palatka, FL 32177. Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson-Overturf Funeral Home in Palatka.

SMITH, Herald Smith, Jr.

(Abstracted from information from various internet sources)

CRST founder Herald "Smitty" Smith, Jr. passed away on July 27th, 2015 at his home in Door County, WI, at the age of 91. Smith founded CRST in 1955 when he was 31 years old in Cedar Rapids, IA, as Cedar Rapids Steel Transportation. The company initially hauled iron and steel articles from Chicago to Cedar Rapids and points within a 50-mile radius. In 1974, the company changed its name to CRST Inc. to reflect its expansion into dry freight and refrigerated commodities. Herald Smith was the company's president until 1977 when he stepped down, remaining as CRST's chairman of the board. He also served as president of the Iowa Motor Truck Association in 1979 and was chairman of Common Carriers Conference, Irregular Route, in 1981. Today CRST is an International transportation and logistics company that is still under the control of members of the Smith family. "He was an icon in the transportation business," said Dave Rusch, CRST International president and CEO. "He dealt with adversity after the industry was deregulated in 1980. He was a very good man, a born entrepreneur and philanthropist; he will be missed by many." Smith is survived by his wife, Miriam, his four children and his grandchildren.

SMITH, Jessie L. Smith

(Abstracted from information found in the Toledo Blade on Oct. 21, 2014 - Jessie used to work with Elmer at Wolverine Express)

Jessie L. "JL" Smith, age 72, of Erie, MI, passed away Saturday, October 18, 2014, surrounded by his loving family. Jessie was born on September 12, 1942, in Lawrenceburg, TN to Lewis and Grace (Hendrix) Smith. In 1952, he moved to Toledo, OH. He began his career as a paperboy for the Toledo Blade, where he delivered to Inky's Restaurant and a lifelong friendship was established. On November 24, 1962, he married Melva Whitmill. Jessie was employed with Deveaux TV, Wolverine Express, McLean Trucking, and retired from 1st Express Trucking in 2008 after 44 years of driving. In the 1960s, he owned and

operated a Gulf Oil Station at Hawk and Lewis Avenues. Jessie served as president of the Roy C. Start Booster's Club from 1983-1987, Union Steward for Teamsters Local 20 from the late 1970s to early 1980s, and was a member of Echo Meadows Church of Christ for over 50 years. His hobbies included reading, especially newspapers, watching college football, cheering on the Detroit Tigers, fishing, and cooking his famous Hobo Dinners. His true passion was spending time with his grandchildren, who brought him much joy. Jessie is survived by his wife of 51 years, Melva; children, Jeannie (Arnold) Oberski and Eddie (Teri) Smith; grandchildren, Kayla, Angie, Zach, Ellice, Eddie, Renee, Michael, Ethan, Bri, Hunter, Renae, Rachal, Doris, Chuck, Andy, and Jessi; great-grandson, Koltyn; father-in-law, Ronald Whitmill; nieces, Pam Smith, Debbie (Ray) Jeffers, and Glenda Moyer; nephew, Glenn (Lisa) Smith; cousins, Vickie (Bill) Leeper and Eddie (Sandra) Cleghorn; along with many loving family members. He was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Marcia Smith; brother, Billy Smith; along with special aunt and uncle, Kathaleen (Johnny) Cleghorn. Friends may call at the Eggleston Meinert & Pavley Funeral Home, Oregon Chapel, 440 S. Coy Road. Funeral Services will be conducted Wednesday, October 22, 2014, at Echo Meadows Church of Christ, 2905 Starr Avenue, Oregon. Interment will follow in Ottawa Hills Memorial Park.

SMITH, Sean Patrick Smith

(Abstracted from internet stories - he was one of the four murdered in the attack on the U. S. embassy in Libya)
Sean Patrick Smith was an Information Management Officer in the State Department and United States Air Force Veteran, who was slain in the September 11, 2012 terrorist attack on the U.S. Government Mission to Libya in Benghazi along with Ambassador J. Christopher Stevens and former United States Navy Sea, Air and Land (SEAL) Operators, Glen Doherty and Tyrone Woods. Sean Smith was a native of the Clairemont neighborhood of San Diego, California and seemed destined to serve his nation. His father, Rene "Ray" Smith, from Gulfport, Florida, was a Corporal in the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam War. The elder Smith often served as a "tunnel rat," crawling deep into Vietcong underground facilities in search of the enemy. In 1970, during a fire, he was burned over 60 percent of his body after the brush he was in caught fire. He raised Sean to appreciate the freedoms our nation provides and to be willing to fight for them. Sean enlisted in the United States Air Force in 1995 at the age of 17, so young that he needed a parental release. He served six years as a Ground Radio Maintenance Specialist, which included a deployment to Oman. Sean left the Air Force in 2002 as a Staff Sergeant. At the time of his death, Sean was on temporary assignment to assist in the establishment of the Information Technology infrastructure in support of the Mission to Libya. Before his assignment to Benghazi, Sean had given 10 years of dedicated service to the State Department around the globe in Brussels, Baghdad, Pretoria, Montreal, and The Hague. A technological guru, Sean's computer savvy was not limited to his United States Air Force and State Department duties. Sean was an avid gamer and well known in the online gaming community of the space fantasy game EVE Online. A leader of the "Goonswarm" guild, his gaming persona "Vile Rat" made use of Sean's skills as a diplomat and he was respected as a skilled competitor. Additionally, Sean was a moderator of the internet forum, "Something Awful," where he posted about football, politics and working with the Foreign Service. In the lobby of the State Department, the names of those who have fallen in the line of duty are inscribed in marble. Sean's name has been added along with his compatriots, Ambassador Stevens, Glen Doherty, and Tyrone Woods. In the same tradition, a plaque will be placed in the lobby of the Bay Pines VA Medical Center, where Sean's father receives his primary care, to commemorate his life and the daily sacrifices made by our veterans. Sean is survived by his father Ray, mother Pat, wife Heather, and two young children, Samantha and Nathan. Beyond his family, Sean will be forever mourned by friends, colleagues, and countless online competitors, collaborators and gamers, who shared his passion in the virtual world Sean helped create. They are the true victims of this act of terror. While Sean's pain has ended, they will have to continue life without a beloved son, caring husband, nurturing father, and extraordinary friend. Sean Patrick Smith is recognized for his dedicated service to his country. He has made the ultimate sacrifice to defend freedom and his fellow Americans and we are forever in his debt. We wish his family all the best as they continue in their life's journey, and hope they find solace in knowing that their beloved Sean shall forever be remembered as a true patriot and hero.

SMITH, Timothy Kevin Smith

(Abstracted from the 15 August 2016 Waycross, GA Journal Herald Newspaper)
EASTMAN — Officer Timothy Kevin "Tim" Smith, age 30, of Eastman, died Saturday (Aug. 13, 2016) in the line of duty in Eastman. The funeral will be Thursday at Eastman First Baptist Church. Interment will be in Greenlawn Memorial Park Cemetery. Officer Smith was a native of Bacon County and was of the Christian Faith. He was a six-year veteran of the Eastman Police Department. His career was his life. He took his job seriously as a law enforcement officer and wore his badge proudly. He was previously employed with the Abbeville, Uvalde, Glenwood and Jacksonville, GA Police Departments. "Tim," as he was known, enjoyed spending time with his children and his hobbies included hunting and fishing. He was preceded in death by a daughter, Tayla Laydon Smith, and paternal grandfather, Lewis G. Smith. Survivors include his mother, Shelby Kinard Smith of Alma; his father, Lewis (LeeAnn) Smith of Glenwood; two sons, Landon Smith and Lander Smith both of Alma; daughter, Madison Smith of Eastman; step-daughter, Kylie Clark Attaway of Eastman; step-son, Jacob Joseph Goolsby of Eastman; 2 brothers, Kelly Ray (Jill) Smith of Waycross, and Jeffery (Amber) Smith of Nicholls; 1 sister, Samantha Smith of Glenwood; paternal grandparents, Lamar and Rita Sanders of Eastman; maternal grandparents, Richard and Ruth Kinard of Chapin, SC; in-laws, Eddie

(Gail) Attaway of Eastman and numerous cousins. The family may be contacted at the Smith residence, 876 Pete Sapp Road, Eastman, and will receive friends at Eastman First Baptist Church Thursday. Memorial contributions may be made to the community fund for Officer Tim Smith at any Citizens Bank and Trust Company Branch or through a Go Fund Me Account for Officer Tim "Turtle" Smith. Stokes-Southerland Funeral Home of Eastman is in charge of arrangements.

SNOWDEN, Joshua Michael Snowden

(Abstracted from <http://www.legacy.com/guestbooks/dfw/joshua-michael-snowden-condolences/186168997?cid=full>)
DALLAS--United States Marine Corps Staff Sgt. Joshua Michael Snowden died serving his country on Monday, July 10, 2017. Funeral is Friday, July 28, 2017, at Church of the Incarnation, 3966 McKinney Ave., Dallas, TX 75204. Burial follows at Dallas Fort Worth National Cemetery. A memorial fund has been set up in honor of United States Marine Corps Staff Sgt. Joshua M. Snowden. Please visit incarnation.org/josh-snowden to make a contribution. Staff Sergeant Snowden was born in Abilene, TX, on July 22, 1985, to Gay Hayslett and Michael Snowden. He played lacrosse at Highland Park High School and immediately enlisted in the United States Marine Corps Reserves, later graduating from Texas State University in 2010 where he also played lacrosse. Staff Sergeant Snowden continued his military career when he was brought on active duty in July 2012 and remained as such until his passing. Snowden, or simply "Snow" by all who knew him, was a man who loved God, his family and friends, and his country. He was an avid lover of Texas Country music, grilling steaks, and working on his truck all at the same time whenever possible. He was preceded in death by his older brother, Eric Snowden, and by both sets of grandparents. His death is a shock to family and friends; however there is comfort knowing he is in heaven with the Father and reunited in spirit with his brother. Survivors include his father, Michael; mother, Gay; and second father, Rick; as well as his sister, Sara; and brothers, Drew, Tyler, Greg, and Bryan survive him. Sparkman / Hillcrest Funeral Home Dallas, 214-363-5401

SONDRON, Patrick Michael Sondron

(Abstracted from <http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/macon/obituary.aspx?page=lifestory&pid=182415072>)
Sheriff's Deputy Patrick M. Sondron tragically lost his life while serving in the line of duty on Sunday, November 6, 2016. Patrick was born on July 21, 1975 in Miami, FL to Michael and Patricia Sondron. After graduation from high school, he enlisted in the United States Air Force. After honorably serving his country, Patrick chose a career in law enforcement where he continued his service to others. Patrick joined the Fort Valley Police Department in 1999, later transferring to the Byron Police Department before finding his home with the Peach County Sheriff's Office 13 years ago. He held the rank of Sergeant assigned to the Patrol Division and he was also a member of the SWAT team. Patrick had a pilot's license; he enjoyed flying and driving charter buses for C&H. He loved cars, especially Dodge Challengers, was an enthusiastic die cast collector, and enjoyed going on cruises. Patrick was a dedicated public servant, a respected partner to others in law enforcement and was known to be kind and level-headed. A well-loved friend of many, he was described as a true ambassador for Peach County. Above all else, he was a devoted husband and father who loved spending time with the family he adored. In addition to his parents, his memory will forever be treasured by his loving wife, Melissa Marie Glover Sondron and three children, Skylor Jacob Sondron, Ethan Lewis McCoy Ward, and Sierra Rose D'Anne Ward, all of Warner Robins. Funeral services celebrating his life will be Thursday, November 10, at Southside Baptist Church. Following the service, Patrick will be laid to rest in Magnolia Park Cemetery. McCullough Funeral Home and Crematory has the privilege of being entrusted with Mr. Sondron's arrangements.

SOULE, Virginia W. Wood Soule

(Abstracted from the Eagle Tribune, She was Randy Seaver's first cousin)
SALEM, NH: Virginia W. (Wood) Soule, age 89, of Salem, NH, died peacefully at her home in Salem on Sunday, April 3. Born in Leominster, MA, she moved to Salem as a child and attended Salem schools. There she met her future husband, the late Attorney Lewis F. Soule, with whom she shared 40 years of marriage. She graduated from Pynchard High School in Andover, MA, and she attended Simmons Nursing School. Married in 1946, Virginia and Lewis had five children. Virginia was an active member of the community. She was a member of the Eastern Star and was a den mother for the Campfire Girls. She was an active participant in the establishment of St. David's Episcopal Church in Salem. She served on their altar guild and remained a lifelong member of that congregation. Virginia was one of the original founders of and served on the board of the Salem District Nurse's Association, later in life. She volunteered for the Greater Salem Caregivers, driving the elderly and disabled to medical appointments. Virginia is survived by her children, Diana Seifert of Salem, Deborah (Steven) Espinola of Sarasota, FL, Lewis (Kiev) Soule, Jr. of Kiev, Ukraine, JoEllen Soule and husband, Roy Jensen of Windham, NH, and Beth Soule and husband, Russell Webb of Salem; 10 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews. She was cherished by all. Douglas & Johnson Funeral Home, 214 Main Street, Salem, NH is handling the arrangements. The funeral service will be Friday at St. David's Episcopal Church, 231 Main Street, Salem. Burial will follow in Pine Grove Cemetery, Salem, NH. In lieu of flowers, contributions in Virginia's name may be made to: St. David's Church, 231 Main St, Salem, NH 03079 or Greater Salem Caregivers, Post Office Box 2316, Salem, NH 03079.

SPEICHER, Theodore G. Speicher

(Abstracted from the internet - Ted was Elmer's 2nd cousin, once removed)

ELLCOTT CITY, MD -- Theodore "Ted" G. Speicher, age 63, passed away after a brief illness on June 18, 2015. He was born on Nov. 27, 1951 in Wadsworth, OH to the late Gene and Dorothy (Kohari) Speicher. Ted grew up in Doylestown, OH and was a 1970 graduate of Chippewa High School and graduated from Ashland College in 1974. He had worked for Hallmark Cards for 36 years, and was a devoted family man who loved to fish. Ted is survived by his loving wife of 37 years, Elizabeth; a daughter, Thea Speicher of Vancouver, Canada; and a sister, Joan Speicher of Mt. Vernon. There are no services or calling hours. Burial took place at Chestnut Hill Cemetery in Doylestown.

STANLEY, Chase Stanley

(Abstracted from http://napavalleyregister.com/news/local/obituaries/sgt-chase-stanley/article_18bdf93c-9613-11df-a118-001cc4c002e0.html)

Chase Stanley was born Aug. 13, 1988, in Vallejo. He died serving his country on July 14, 2010, in Afghanistan. Surviving family includes parents, Nylind and Debbie; siblings, Ryan and Britney; grandparents, Arch and Claire, R.J. and Linda; and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins. Chase attended Capell Valley Elementary School, Silverado Junior High and graduated from Napa High School. Chase was an avid outdoorsman, hunting and fishing in California, Wyoming and Idaho with friends and family. Chase and several of his childhood friends from Capell Elementary School entered the service upon graduation of high school in 2006. He was based at Ft. Bragg, N.C., with the 20th Eng. Bat. 618 Eng. Co. Chase served 15 months in Iraq and six months in Afghanistan. Claffey and Rota Funeral Home handled the arrangements. Funeral services will be Sunday, July 25, at Hillside Christian Center, 100 Anderson Road, in Napa. A graveside service will be at Monticello Cemetery, Spanish Flat Loop Road, Lake Berryessa, on July 25.

STEELE, Jon Michael Steele

(Abstracted from Robin Biddle, one of Elmer's Genealogy friends)

WOOSTER - Jon Michael Steele, age 70, passed away surrounded by the love of family after a battle with lung cancer on Wednesday, June 11, 2014 at Mercy Medical Center in Canton. He was born to Robert and Vivian (Gossard) Steele in Lodi, OH on October 22, 1943. He called Wooster, Ohio "home" with the exception of a time in Punta Gorda, FL when he married the love of his life, Mary Ann Honeywell, whom he nursed until her untimely death. Jon had a rare and beautiful courage, a courage that faced challenges from birth. With a variety of physical challenges and at a time before special education was enforced, Jon persevered and in one of his proudest moments, graduated from Wooster High School in the Class of "64" where he met and maintained lifelong friendships. He held a variety of jobs, for many years one being a gas station attendant at Red Head Gas Station in Wooster. When gas stations became more automated and his job was eliminated, Jon worked at Mann's Laundry until an industrial accident crushed his arm. Rather than give up, that courage of his kicked in and he returned to the workforce, doing stock at Jewell Motor Parts until fate offered him an opportunity to travel to Florida with a friend. While there, he found a job doing lawn care for a mobile home park settled with elderly residents, a great fit as when he was a boy he would mow lawns of all of the elderly neighbors on Gasche Street and not charge them. Jon rallied his courage, made the "trip" into a move and settled in, and soon took another leap of faith in marrying Mary Ann while knowing of her heart condition. For most of his short married life, he did all of the personal nursing care of her, until he was widowed. Returning home, Jon cared for his mother and when she passed away he moved back into the old neighborhood area of his childhood. Legally blind with unique eyes, Jon had an extremely rare "one of a kind" surgery, which will be written in the medical journals. Jon loved life, and loved people and was a humble and simple man whose ready humor mad friends easily. He was a fan of wrestling and baseball games. Being an avid lover of history and very nostalgic, he celebrated Americana, having an adoration of classic movies. In his humble home his walls were plastered with photos of family and countless babies of friends, many pets and a jumble of joyous faces of those he loved. He embraced life, met it head on and savored its joys overcoming countless obstacles which would individually have stopped others in their tracks. Courageous, literally to his last breath, he set an example for us all. Forever in our hearts he will remain, and remind us to savor life, love one another and carry on. Left to celebrate his life are his siblings and their children, Robert "Nick" (Pam) Steele of Dalton, daughters Amy (Steve) Palfy and Lisa (Alan) Revercomb; Gregory (Barbara) Steele of Shreve and son Greg (Stacy) Steele, daughter Sherry (Ron) Warden, Shaun (Elizabeth) Hite; Robin Steele (Rodney) Biddle of Wooster, daughter Lesley, son Brian; and Jeffrey Steele of Charlotte, NC., as well as several grand nieces, nephews and cousins all so close to his heart. A memorial service will be held on Monday, June 16, 2014 in the Wooster Cemetery Chapel, 983 Madison Avenue, Wooster. McIntire, Bradham & Sleek Funeral Home, 216 E. Larwill St., Wooster is assisting the family.

STEFFEN, Floyd Steffen

(Abstracted from the Feb 10, 2012 Rice Lake WI Newspaper)

Floyd Steffen passed away peacefully, surrounded by his family on February 4, 2011 in Clermont, FL. He was born in Union Grove, WI on July 30, 1936 and married Lenore Becker on June 24, 1956. He is survived by his wife, Lenore; daughters Wanda (Paul) Eastman and Janet (Scott) Nelson; grandchildren P.J., Chase, Colt Eastman, Scotty Nelson; and great-grandchild

Cassandra Eastman; 1 brother Marvin (Vivian) Steffen of Dayton, TN; 6 sisters Myrtle (Art) Monnier of Clermont, FL; Marcie (Del) Shelton of Cape Coral, FL; Pearl (Dennis) Taylor, Linda (Tom) Otwaska, Jane (Gordon) Anderson, all three of Racine, WI; Mary (Mark) Carr of Knoxville, TN; 1 sister-in-law Carol Beery of Greenville, SC; and many nieces, and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father, George, mother, Lucile, and brother Earl. Floyd owned and operated Rocky Acres Equestrian Center for 10 years, working with Barron County 4-H clubs hosting training centers and horse shows. He also worked for Handi-Lift Transport. He retired in 2006 at which time he and his wife, Lenore, moved to Florida and purchased a home in Clerbrook Golf & RV Resort at 20005 US HWY 27, P.O. Box C-21, Clermont, Florida, 34715. He worked as a security guard there until January 6, 2011. Burial was at Florida National Veterans Cemetery in Bushnell, FL.

STEVENS, John Christopher Stevens

(Abstracted from internet sources)

WASHINGTON — Ambassador J. Christopher Stevens was in many ways the model American diplomat, committed, idealistic, willing to take risks and eager to find out what was really happening in obscure corners of the world. Mr. Stevens, age 52, a lanky Californian with a burst of brown hair, also looked the part. "He was always smiling, unruffled, projecting what I think of as a cool California demeanor, in the best sense," said Robert Danin, a former Middle East hand at the State Department who worked closely with Mr. Stevens. A University of California, Berkeley, graduate who was confirmed as ambassador to Libya in May, Mr. Stevens knew the dangers inherent in his hands-on style. From 2007 to 2009, he served as the No. 2 U.S. diplomat in Tripoli after the U.S. resumed diplomatic relations with Moammar Gadhafi's government. And last year, during the height of the revolution that eventually toppled Gadhafi, he secretly slipped back into Libya aboard a Greek cargo ship to serve as U.S. envoy to the rebels battling the strongman. "We had a bombing at the Tibesti (Hotel) the other day, a reminder that Benghazi isn't safe," he emailed an acquaintance in June 2011, referring to the building where he and other diplomats were staying. In an attack Tuesday on the U.S. Consulate in Benghazi, the lawyer-turned-diplomat became the first U.S. ambassador to be killed by terrorists since 1979. Mr. Stevens died along with Sean Smith, an information-management officer who joined the U.S. Foreign Service 10 years ago, and two other employees of the State Department. "It's especially tragic that Chris Stevens died in Benghazi because it is a city that he helped to save," Mr. Stevens, a fluent Arabic and French speaker, knew better than most diplomats in the Foreign Service the opportunities and travails facing Libya after the fall of Gadhafi, and was undaunted. "The image of the striped-pants ambassador who goes to cocktail parties and steeples his hands, that was not Chris Stevens," said Jeffrey Feltman, a former assistant secretary of state and now undersecretary general at the United Nations, who worked closely with him. After having served as the deputy ambassador during Gadhafi's rule, Mr. Stevens became the Obama administration's main interlocutor to the rebels based in Benghazi; the rebels ultimately overthrew Gadhafi while NATO conducted airstrike missions. Obama rewarded him with the nomination to become the first ambassador in a post-Gadhafi Libya, and he arrived in May with enthusiasm for the country's prospects as a free, Western-friendly democracy. "The whole atmosphere has changed for the better," he wrote in an email to friends and family in July. "People smile more and are much more open with foreigners. Americans, French and British are enjoying unusual popularity. Let's hope it lasts." Mr. Stevens also earned bipartisan support on Capitol Hill. Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., recalled twice visiting him in Libya, most recently in July, when Mr. Stevens "insisted on personally making me a cappuccino, a task that he carried out with as much pride and proficiency as his diplomatic mission." John Christopher "Chris" Stevens grew up in the East Bay community of Piedmont, graduated from UC Berkeley in 1982 and UC Hastings College of the Law in San Francisco in 1989. His first service overseas was as a Peace Corps volunteer in the Atlas Mountains of Morocco. He was the son of a lawyer, Jan Stevens, and a now-retired Marin Symphony cellist, Mary Commanday. His stepfather, Robert Commanday, a former classical-music critic for The San Francisco Chronicle, when asked about his stepson's musical pursuits, told a classical-music website that Mr. Stevens "played saxophone, about at the Bill Clinton level, but marginally in public." He also was a tennis player and a Los Angeles Lakers fan, passions that he tried to maintain in Libya. After law school, Mr. Stevens worked for two years as an international-trade attorney in Washington. But it didn't satisfy him, and at the relatively late age of 31, he joined the Foreign Service. He spent much of his career in the Middle East, serving in Syria, Egypt, Saudi Arabia and Israel, where he focused on the Palestinian territories, and in State Department offices overseeing policy in the region. In Syria in 2001 and 2002, he courted Iraqi exiles before the U.S. overthrow of Saddam Hussein's government the next year. When the embassy in Damascus held his farewell party, he insisted on it being in a disco and invited all the Iraqis, who were fractious even then. "This was probably the only time the Iraqis sat at one table — before or since," said a State Department diplomat who served with him then. When he was confirmed as ambassador in May, he said he considered it "an extraordinary honor." Colleagues described him as friendly, casual and rarely rattled. He also was candid, a trait that won him fans among Arabs and a following among journalists who covered Middle East hot spots. He was remembered as a self-effacing bachelor with a wry sense of humor who drank beer, dated women and liked outdoor sports. "He was a normal guy, not like some of the nerds from the State Department who can't relate with people," said Thomas Moore, who recalled Mr. Stevens buying a Toyota Land Cruiser just before heading to Libya for his first stint, as deputy chief of mission in 2007. Friends said Mr. Stevens also had a wry sense of humor and a direct style of speaking that is unusual for many diplomats. Preparing then-Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice for a meeting with Gadhafi, he alluded to Gadhafi's crush on Rice. "A self-styled intellectual and philosopher, he has been eagerly anticipating for several years the opportunity to share with you his

views on global affairs," Stevens wrote in an August 2008 diplomatic cable published by WikiLeaks. Rice herself later recalled Gadhafi's interest in her as "creepy." Mr. Stevens had a yearning to mingle with Arabs to get a street-level view of events, and he sometimes chafed about the post-Sept. 11 security measures that sometimes prevented diplomats from reaching far into the hinterland. As political officer in Jerusalem, given the oft-touchy assignment of working with the Palestinian leadership, he tried to get into the West Bank, even when violence flared between Palestinians and Israelis. Mr. Stevens relished contacts, even with some of the region's unsavory personalities. In another diplomatic cable released by WikiLeaks, he described Gadhafi as "notoriously mercurial" but also, on occasion, "an engaging and charming interlocutor." He adhered to a routine of daily runs through goat farms, olive groves and vineyards. In an email to family and friends, he joked about the embassy's Fourth of July party. "Somehow our clever staff located a Libyan band that specializes in 1980s soft rock," he wrote, "so I felt very much at home." By Wednesday afternoon, the wall on Mr. Stevens' Facebook page had turned into a memorial as friends from high school, college, the Peace Corps and the State Department posted photos and eulogies. "In our 1983 Peace Corps training in Morocco, there was a tall, blond kid who was known, among other things, as the one with the unfailing old-school courtesy toward all," wrote Valerie Staats, who is now the Peace Corps director in Sierra Leone. Mr. Stevens, she recalled, "always said he wanted to be an ambassador, and we didn't doubt him."

STEVENSON, Gregory Allen Stevenson

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LIMA — Gregory Allen Stevenson, age 51, passed away May 1, 2016, while attempting to rescue a child who had fallen into the Ottawa River. Gregory was born April 27, 1965 in Bluffton to John D. Stevenson, who preceded him in death on May 20, 1991 and Roberta K. (White) Stevenson who preceded him in death on February 5, 2015. Greg was a U.S. Navy veteran. He was a 1983 graduate of Lima Senior High School where he had been a first chair violinist. Greg had been employed with Shawnee Pools. He had previously been employed for over 10 years as a maintenance man with Hampton Inn and had also had employment with Chriss Furniture. Greg enjoyed working outside, riding his bike and spending time with family and friends. Greg also enjoyed martial arts, participating in Taekwondo. Greg was a happy go lucky type of guy, always wanting to help someone. He will be greatly missed by all his friends at Union Square Apts. He was a good, loving, caring person and a true hero. Greg is survived by his son, Adam Stevenson of Lima; daughter, Ashley Stevenson of Lima; his sisters Christine Simpson and Debra Mauri, both of Lima; niece, Heather (Mark) Dingedine, nephew, Bernard (Sarah) Simpson and his children's mother Carla Good. He was preceded in death by his brother, Jeffery A. Stevenson. A memorial service was held Friday, May 6, 2016, at Trinity United Methodist Church. Chiles-Laman Funeral & Cremation Services is handling the arrangements.

STUTZMAN, Patricia Louise Seimet Stutzman

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CONCORD -- Patricia Louise Seimet Stutzman, 62, of 1554 Wheaton Way, died Monday, May 5, 2003 at Carolinas Medical Center, University. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, May 8, 2003 at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church, Father Ignatius Zampino, officiating. Entombment will follow in Carolina Memorial Park Plaza Mausoleum, Kannapolis. The family will receive friends on Wednesday, May 7th from 6 to 8 p.m. at Hartsell Funeral Home, Concord. Mrs. Stutzman was born in Fort Wayne, IN, March 17, 1941, daughter of the late Georgian Seimet and Claude Seimet. She was a homemaker and of the Catholic Faith. She had a strong interest in antiques and worked at the Antique Mall in Cannon Village, Kannapolis. Survivors are her husband, Ray Stutzman of Concord; son, Bryan Stutzman of Davidson, NC; daughters, Beverly Jensen of Bethesda, MD and Lynda Ivey of Thomasville, NC; sisters, Suz Dolbec of Grover Beach, CA and Mary Weibel of Dallas, TX; and 3 grandchildren. The family will meet at the home, 1554 Weaton Way, Concord, NC 28027. Memorials are requested to St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church, 1400 Suther Road, Charlotte, NC 28213, or the American Cancer Society, 500 East Morehead, Suite 211, Charlotte, NC 28202. Hartsell Funeral Home, Concord, is serving the Stutzman family.

SUMMERS, Hope Summers

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Hope Summers died July 22, 1979 at the Motion Picture and Television Actor's Hospital in Woodland Hills, California. Los Angeles. Her father, Dr. John W. Summers, was a U.S. Representative from the state of Washington. She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. W.J. Fernandez of Sunnyvale, CA; a son, James S. Witherell of Winnetka; a brother, Paul of Washington, DC, and a sister, Mrs. D. C. Smith of Wilmette. Summers is buried at Mountain View Cemetery in Walla Walla, Washington in the Masonic Section.