

OBITUARIES

June R. Erickson

a 41-year resident of Arlington Heights

Services and interment for June R. Erickson (nee Goff) were private. Born June 30, 1917, in Frederick, Md., she died Thursday, Oct. 4, 2007, at home. Her survivors include her children, Richard E. Erickson of Le Claire, Iowa and Christine L. Reese of Bartlett; grandchildren, Scott Erickson, Dr. Brian (Stephanie) Erickson, Lynette Knaack and Kendall Reese; great-grandchildren, Kyle, Nathan, Jacob and Katelyn; as well as many nieces and nephews.

June was preceded in death by her husband, Kenneth; and her siblings. Arrangements were made by **Glueckert Funeral Home, Ltd.**, Arlington Heights. For information and condolences, www.GlueckertFH.com or 847-253-0168.



Theresa Gasparino of Arlington Heights

Prayers for Theresa Gasparino (nee Filippini), 81, will be said at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 17, at the **Oehler Funeral Home Arlington Heights Chapel**, 2000 E. Northwest Highway, Arlington Heights, proceeding to St. James Church, 820 N. Arlington Heights Road, Arlington Heights, for a Mass at 10 a.m. Interment will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 4 to 9 p.m. today, at the funeral home.

Born Jan. 20, 1926, in Chicago, she died Sunday, Oct. 14, 2007, at Northwest Community Healthcare Center, Arlington Heights. She was the wife of William Gasparino; mother of Linda (Robert) Kalinski, Carol Ferro and Susan (Matthew) Zepka; grandmother of five; great-grandmother of four, and sister of Angelo (Carol) Filippini and the late Philip Filippini.

In lieu of flowers, Masses appreciated. For information, 847-253-5423.

Richard M. Geller

of Palatine

Prayers for Richard M. Geller, 75, will be said at 9:30 a.m. Thursday, at **Ahlgrim Family Funeral Home**, 201 N. Northwest Highway, Palatine, proceeding to St. Thomas of Villanova Church, 1201 E. Anderson Drive, Palatine, for a Mass at 10 a.m. Interment will be in St. Michael the Archangel Cemetery, Palatine.

Visitation will be from 3 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, at the funeral home.

Born Aug. 17, 1932, in Chicago, he died Monday, Oct. 15, 2007, in Arlington Heights. Survivors include his wife, Eileen S. Geller; sons, Thomas (Barbara) Geller, Michael (Linda) Geller, Daniel (Teri) Geller, Matthew Geller and Martin Geller; grandchildren, Timothy, Jason, Amanda, Lauren, Megan, David, Colleen, Matthew, Johnny and Nicholas Geller; and daughter-in-law, Susan Geller.

He was preceded in death by his sister, Shirley Plaza; father, Irwin Geller; and mother, Marie Geller. Memorials can be made to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. For information, 847-358-7411.



Diane M. Goodwin

of Elk Grove Village for 20 years

A memorial service for Diane M. Goodwin (nee Evans), 57, will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 20, at the Memory Gardens Cemetery Chapel, 2501 E. Euclid Ave., Arlington Heights.

She was the beloved wife for 37 years of Victor I. Goodwin; loving mother of Jack (Stephanie) Thurston of Chicago; devoted daughter of Elizabeth Evans of Elk Grove Village; and dear grandmother of Sienna.

Memorials made to the American Cancer Association appreciated. Arrangements were made by **Cremation Society of Illinois**, 847-577-6505.

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Gerald Alan Gottschalk

of Wauconda for five years

Memorial visitation for Gerald Alan Gottschalk, 46, will be from 1 p.m. until the time of the memorial service at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 20, in the chapel at Chapel Hill Cemetery, 2514 Illinois Route 26, Freeport, Ill., 815-235-2167. Inurnment will follow.

Born March 31, 1961, in Libertyville, he died Thursday, Oct. 11, 2007, at Condeil Medical Center, Libertyville.

Gerald was a collector of antique tractors and toys. He was former owner of Salopek Golf Cars in Palatine and was formerly employed at Snelton Well Drilling in Wauconda. He was the beloved father of Gerald A. Jr. of Larium, Mich.; cherished son of Sandra and the late George Gottschalk of Apple River, Ill.; and loving brother of Gordon Gottschalk of Byron, Ill. and Derek Volling of Stockton, Ill. Arrangements were made by **Kisselburg-Wauconda Funeral Home**, Wauconda, 847-526-2115.

Caroline V. Grochocinski

of Rolling Meadows

Services for Caroline V. Grochocinski (nee Pilate), 91, will begin with prayers at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, at **Meadows Funeral Home**, 3615 Kirchhoff Road, Rolling Meadows, and proceed to St. Colette Church for Mass at 10 a.m. Interment will be in Maryhill Cemetery, Niles.

Visitation will be from 3 to 8 p.m. today, at the funeral home.

Born May 30, 1916, in Chicago, she died Sunday, Oct. 14, 2007, at Alexian Brothers Medical Center in Elk Grove Village.

She was the wife of the late Stanley; mother of Vincent (Janet) Grochocinski, Joyce (Michael) Culyba, Linda (Dennis) Huhn, Victoria Grochocinski, JoAnn (Leonard) Jagla and Ann Marie Harang; grandmother of 10; and great-grandmother of eight.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Foundation. For information, 847-253-0224.

Robert J. Guss Jr.

of Palatine

Services for Robert J. Guss Jr., 72, will begin with prayers at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, at **Ahlgrim Family Funeral Home**, 201 N. Northwest Highway, Palatine, and proceed to St. Theresa Church, 465 N. Benton St., Palatine, for Mass at 10 a.m. Interment will be private.

Visitation will be from 3 to 9 p.m. today, at the funeral home.

He was a former two-term Mayor of Palatine and former Palatine Councilman.

He was the loving husband of 49 1/2 years to Aida M. (nee Capozzoli); cherished father of Robert J. III (Amber L. Mullins), Daniel M. (Karen), David L. (Cheryl), Carolyn A. (Gordon) Padera, John F. (Tamiko), Gina M. (William) Whitlock, Jody L. (William) DeAcetis and Gemma T. Guss; dear grandfather of 25 and great-grandfather of one; and brother to seven sisters.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Robert J. Sr. and Dorothy; and his sister, Carol Hollendoner.

In lieu of flowers, contributions to Little Sisters of the Poor, 80 W. Northwest Highway, Palatine appreciated.

For information, 847-358-7411.



Darwin E. Kaiser

of South Elgin

Services and interment for Darwin E. Kaiser, 84, will be private. Born Aug. 9, 1923, in Elgin, to Harvey and Margaret Kaiser, he passed away Saturday, Oct. 13, 2007.

Darwin was self-employed as part owner of Rolling Knolls Golf Course, Manor Pancake House in Elgin, and St. Charles and Bartlett Tastee Freez.

Mr. Kaiser was a captain in the Army Air Corps, being honorably discharged in 1945, then continuing on in the Air Force Reserves until 1958, having been a pilot of a B-24 Bomber.

Darwin was also a member and past treasurer of the American Legion Elgin Post #57 and a member of the 1939 Elgin High School Football team that was the only undefeated, untied and unscored on team in Elgin High School history, under Coach John Kraft.

He is survived by four daughters, Patti Flessner of McHenry, Marsha Kaiser of Sullivan, Mo., Dortha (John Sziender) Kaiser of Downers Grove and Diane (the late Dale Hrouda) Kaiser of Stokesdale, N.C.; one son, Charles (Cindy) Kaiser of Sycamore; as well as six grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Darwin was preceded in death by his wife, Lois; and his parents.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to the Elgin American Legion Post #57, Attn: Adjutant, 820 N. Liberty St., Elgin, IL 60120. Arrangements were made by the **Laird Funeral Home**, Elgin, 847-741-8800.

"We are what we think.

All that we are

arises with our thoughts.

With our thoughts, we make the world."

Buddha

Bertha M. Keiser

of East Dundee

Bertha M. Keiser, 74, died Sunday, Oct. 14, at her home surrounded by her loving family. She was born on Sept. 10, 1933, in Beech Creek, Pa.

Bertha was the daughter of Roland and Mary Jane (nee Nihart) Branning. On May 2, 1953, she married William M. "Bill" Keiser. Bertha was a loving and devoted mother and grandmother and was an avid bingo player.

Survivors include her 10 children, Mike (Terri) of Arizona, Kim (Scott) Donski of Lake in the Hills, Bill (Kathy) of Crystal Lake, Nina (Estal) Edwards of Algonquin, Robbin (Jack) Newberry of Carpentersville, Lori (Rick) Soroka of Streamwood, Lisa (Andrew) Schaffer of Barrington, Robert (Rose) of Davenport, Iowa, Judy (Daniel) Bartelt of East Dundee and Mark (Roshanda) of East Dundee; 27 grandchildren seven great-grandchildren; and her sister, June Branning and her brother, Abe (Delores) Branning, both of Pennsylvania.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and her husband, William M. "Bill" Keiser on Aug. 13, 2005.

Bertha's family has decided to mourn their loss privately. There will be no visitation.

The **Miller Funeral Home**, West Dundee, 847-426-3436 is in charge of arrangements.

Audrey V. Kubalewski

Services for Audrey V. Kubalewski (nee Schoppe) will begin at 9:15 a.m. Wednesday, at **The Oaks Funeral Home**, 1201 E. Irving Park Road (at Prospect), Itasca, proceeding to St. Beatrice Church, for a Mass at 10 a.m. Interment will be in Queen of Heaven Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 3 to 8 p.m. today, at the funeral home.

She was the beloved wife of the late George F. Sr.; loving mother of Debra Anne (John) Stary, George Jr. (Angela), Diane Jean Gedik, Dorice Frances Kozak and Darcy Lynn Aagaard; devoted grandmother of 10; great-grandmother of three; dear sister of Richard (Lani) and Dennis (Patti) Schoppe, Diane (Dennis) Nielsen, William Cashman, Margaret Ingram and the late Carol Denham; and fond aunt of many.

In lieu of flowers, donations to Cure Autism Now/Autism Speaks at www.autism-speaks.org, would be appreciated. For information, 630-250-8588.

Anthony Malone

a resident of Wheaton

The funeral service for Anthony Malone, 70, will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday, at Gary United Methodist Church, 224 N. Main St., Wheaton, The Rev. Roger Hurlbut officiating. Interment will be private.

Visitation will be from 4 to 9 p.m. today, at **Hultgren Funeral Home**, 304 N. Main St., Wheaton.

Born March 29, 1937, in West Chester, Pa., he died Friday, Oct. 12, 2007, following a heroic 2 1/2 year battle with lung cancer, at Central DuPage Hospital in Winfield.

Anthony retired from his management position at United Parcel Service in 1995, after 35 years of service. In retirement he and Debi enjoyed boating, fishing, antiques, computers, vacations and wintering in Florida.

He is survived by his wife of 30 years, Deborah (nee Hurlbut); their children, Jason (Sandra), Philip and Rebecca; and his children, Annette, Anthony and Linda; many grandchildren; four sisters, Palma "Dolly" Kinka, Angelina (William) Roelle, Josephine (Robert) Larke and Virginia (Eugene) Boydston; two sisters-in-law, Julia "Chickie" and Joyce Malone; five brothers-in-law, Robert Jr. (Julie), Ronald (Mary Ann), Randall (Katherine), Dr. Russell (Karen) and the Rev. Roger (Carole) Hurlbut; uncle, John Bonicontr; aunt, Mary Wild; and many loving nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Antonio and Vincenza (nee Bonicontr) Malone; brothers, Emilio and Michael Malone; his parents-in-law, Robert and Shirley (nee Cella-Kummers) Hurlbut Sr.; and his brother-in-law, Richard Philip Hurlbut.

In lieu of flowers memorial gifts may be directed to the LUNGevity Foundation, 2421 N. Ashland Ave., Chicago, IL 60614 or the Lung Cancer Alliance, P.O. Box 630972, Baltimore, MD 21263-0972.

Family and friends may sign a guest book at www.hultgrenfh.com. For information, 630-668-0027.

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"Ideals are like stars: you will not succeed in touching them with your hands, but like the seafaring man on the desert of waters, you choose them as your guides, and following them you reach your destiny."

Carl Schurz

Sarah "Sally" McKay

of Waukegan

The family of Sarah "Sally" McKay, 83, will receive friends from 6:30 p.m. until the time of the memorial services at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 18, at **McMurrough Funeral Chapel, Ltd.**, 101 Park Place (Route 176, one block east of Milwaukee Ave.), Libertyville.

Born June 21, 1924, in Belfast, Northern Ireland, she died Wednesday, Oct. 10, 2007.

She emigrated to the United States in 1957 with her family.

She is survived by her children, William E. (Debi) McKay, Stephen R. (Roberta) McKay, Barbara A. (Bill) Martin, Alyson McKay, Jane (Bob) Cox and Charlie (Laura) McKay; grandchildren, Shannon Ursprung, Megan McKay, Jaimee McKay, Kamee Andrekus, Kyle, April and Jillian McKay, and Devin and Ryan McKay; great-grandchildren, Forrest, Emily and Connor; sister, Muriel Close of Belfast, Northern Ireland; along with many friends and relatives.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William.

Please omit flowers. If desired, memorials made to Condeil Hospital Home Hospice, 115 W. Church St., Libertyville, IL 60048, would be greatly appreciated.

For information, 847-362-2626.

Margaret Phelps

Margaret Phelps, 70, unexpectedly died in a car accident in Maricopa, Ariz. on Sept. 11, 2007. She was born Margaret Ellen Sullivan in Cusick, Wash., on March 26, 1937, to Florence and Edward Sullivan.

Marge attended San Jose Bible College and married Warren Phelps on July 1, 1955.

Marge lovingly raised her children in California and Illinois. In 2003, she and Warren moved to Chandler, Ariz. Marge was a devout Christian who enjoyed traveling the world with family and friends as well as volunteering in her church.

Marge is survived by her husband; three daughters, LeEllen Phelps of Tucson, Ariz., Ronda Kelley of Boulder, Colo. and Gail Phelps of Palatine, Ill.; two sons-in-law, Gene McGill and Kevin Kelley; two sisters, Patsy Longest and Billie Sullivan; seven grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her son, Donald Phelps; her mother and father; and her sister, Florence Johnson.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, Oct. 20, at 2 p.m. at SummitView Christian Church, 695 Illinois Blvd., Hoffman Estates, Ill.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the Chandler Christian Church Ripple Effect, 1825 S. Alma School Blvd., Chandler, AZ 85286.

Maurice J. Pigott

of Arlington Heights

A memorial celebration honoring the life of Maurice J. Pigott, formerly of Winnetka, will be from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 18, at Michigan Shores, 9111 Michigan Ave., Wilmette, IL 60091. All those who knew and loved Maury and Paula are invited to attend the celebration. Interment will be private.

Born July 6, 1924, in Brooklyn, N.Y. to Clinton and Teresa (nee Ford) Pigott, he died Friday, Oct. 12, 2007, at Northwest Community Healthcare Center in Arlington Heights.

Mr. Pigott started his career with American Can and later National Can where he was an Executive Vice President and General Manager before retiring in 1986. He later started a family company, Nucon Corporation of Deerfield, where he was Chairman and CEO until the time of the sale of the company in 2002.

Maurice served in the Army as a Master Sergeant with the 288th Combat Engineers and participated in the Battle of the Bulge. He was honored with the Kentucky Colonel title bestowed by the Governor of Kentucky, Louie B. Nunn, in 1971.

His survivors include his wife of 60 years, Paula R. (nee Stephens), whom he married Oct. 5, 1947; his children, Peter S. (Mary C.) Pigott of Wilmette, Schuyler F. (Rita R.) Pigott of Arlington Heights, Brandon L. (Nina S.) Pigott of Wilmette and Sheila P. (Jim) Matthews of Del Mar, Calif.; his 13 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Maurice was preceded in death by his parents; and his brother Clinton.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given to The Smile Train, 245 5th Ave., Suite 2201, New York, NY 10016, www.smiletrain.org.

Arrangements were made by **Glueckert Funeral Home**, Arlington Heights, 847-253-0168. For information and condolences, www.GlueckertFH.com.



Elmer E. Pump

of Glen Ellyn

Visitation for Elmer E. Pump, 90, formerly of Hardy, Ark. and Des Plaines, will be from 9:30 a.m. until the time of the services at 12 noon Wednesday, at the **Leonard Memorial Home, Ltd.**, 565 Duane St., Glen Ellyn. Interment will be private in St. Paul's Cemetery, Skokie.

Born Dec. 21, 1916, in Niles, Ill., he died Sunday, Oct. 14, 2007, at home.

Mr. Pump had been employed as a foreman for the Hellstrom Corporation in Franklin Park. He was a man with gifted hands, skilled in metal working, carpentry, plumbing, electrical, automobiles and the concertina, which he played at many family gatherings and weddings. He was a member of the choir for many years at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Des Plaines and loved music, traveling and antique collecting.

He is survived by his daughter, Patricia Reed of Glen Ellyn; sister, Edna Boi of Chicago; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his loving wife of 63 years, Marjorie; daughter, Lucinda Williamson; brothers, Herman, Adolph, John and Harold (Robert); sisters, Mary Kaegebein, Helen Vehrs, Clara Anton, Lorraine Ruehr, Elinore Ponich, Alma Gamache, Bernice Kulack and Evelyn Pump.

In lieu of flowers, memorials to the Lutheran Home and Services, 800 W. Oakton St., Arlington Heights, IL 60004 appreciated. For information, 630-469-0032.



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Robert L. "Bob" Russo

A Mass for Robert L. "Bob" Russo, 70, of Twin Lakes, Wis., will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Wednesday, at St. Raymond de Penafort Church, Elmhurst Road (Route 83) and Lincoln St., Mount Prospect. Interment will be in Mound Prairie Cemetery, Twin Lakes.

Visitation will be from 3 to 9 p.m. today, at **Friedrichs Funeral Home**, 320 W. Central Road (at Northwest Highway), Mount Prospect, and from 10 a.m. until the time of the Mass Wednesday, at the church.

Born Dec. 10, 1936, in Chicago, he died Sunday, Oct. 14, 2007.

Bob was a diehard Cubs and Bears fan, who enjoyed fishing. He was a Lane Tech graduate and an excellent dancer. For many years, he enjoyed his employment as a cook on the Crib for the Water Reclamation District.

He was the beloved husband of the late Irene Russo; dear father of Susan (Timothy) Devine; fond brother of John (Diana) Russo and Richard (Debbie) Russo; and fond uncle of many.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the American Parkinson Disease Association.

For information, 847-255-7800 or www.FriedrichsFH.com.

Otto J. Schonder

of Addison

Services for Otto J. Schonder will begin at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, at **Salerno's Rosedale Chapels**, 450 W. Lake St. (3/4 mile west of Bloomingdale/Roselle Road), Roselle, proceeding to St. Philip the Apostle Church, for a Mass at 11:30 a.m. Interment will be in Mount Carmel Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 3 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, at the funeral home.

He was the beloved husband of the late Joan (nee Agosti); devoted father of Brad (Kathy), Michael (Linda), Mary and Nancy Hickey; and dear grandfather of Bradley, Kimberly, Danny, Michael and Katie Schonder and Joseph Hickey.

For information, 630-889-1700.

Lorraine M. Thompson

formerly of Lake in the Hills

Visitation for Lorraine M. Thompson, 81, of Schaumburg, will be from 3 to 8 p.m., with services at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 18, at the **Wait-Ross-Allanson Funeral and Cremation Services Chapel**, 201 S. Main St., Algonquin. Burial will be private.

Born Jan. 17, 1926, in Chicago, the daughter of John and Helen Foley, she passed away, Sunday, Oct. 14, 2007, at Alexian Brothers Medical Center, Elk Grove Village.

She had been a resident of Lake in the Hills for many years before moving to Schaumburg in 2006.

Surviving are her two daughters, Karen (Dennis) Napoli of Schaumburg and Peggy (Robert) Klimczak of Woodstock; five grandchildren, Lorie (Jacob) Breit of McHenry, Jamie (Gerry) Hrdlicka of Spring Grove, James (Amanda) Koura of Nevada, Corey (Jacqueline) Koura with the Coast Guard stationed in New Jersey and Thomas (Jeannie) Porter of Florida; and six great-grandchildren, Gerry Hrdlicka III, Tommy and Michael 'rdlicka, Kaili Thompson, Trinity Lorraine Porter and Owen Porter.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and her husband, Myron "Tom" Thompson. For information, 847-658-4232.

Dolores M. Wetmore

a resident of Wheaton for 40 years

A memorial service for Mrs. Dolores M. Wetmore (nee Lore), 76, will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Oct. 19, at Gary United Methodist Church, 224 N. Main St., Wheaton. Interment will be private.

Born May 10, 1931, in Gardner, Mass., to Carlo and Lucy (nee Vinzi) Lore, she died Thursday, Oct. 11, 2007, at home.

The 10th of 11 children, Dolores embodied the warmth and strong family values of her parents, extended family, and rich Italian heritage. She enjoyed travel, loved cooking for others, and gardening at home and church. Dolores was best known for making people feel at home. She was an active member of the Gary United Methodist Church.

She is survived by her husband of 54 years, Elmer; her four children, Brian (Deborah) of Wheaton, Bruce (Bernadette) of Bloomfield, Colo., Bari (Michel Salathe) Wetmore Salathe of Switzerland and David (Anne) of Arlington, Va.; 14 grandchildren, Jeremy (Caroline), Elizabeth and Thomas, Christopher, Colin, Ryan, Nathan and Brianna, Philip and Marc Salathe, and Mathieu, Camille, Mirabelle and Celeste; five sisters; one brother; and many nieces, nephews, and countless friends.

She was preceded in death by three brothers; and one sister.

In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be directed to the Cornerstone Building Fund at Gary United Methodist Church, 224 N. Main St., Wheaton, IL 60187.

Family and friends may sign a guest book at www.hultgrenfh.com. For more information, please call the **Hultgren Funeral Home** in Wheaton at 630-668-0027.

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Elroy Wilke

of Gurnee

Visitation for Elroy Wilke, 75, will be from 3 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 18, with a memorial service directly following the visitation at **Marsh Funeral Home**, 305 N. Cemetery Road, Gurnee. Burial will be private.

Born July 20, 1932, in Palatine, he died Saturday, Oct. 13, 2007, in Libertyville.

Elroy proudly served as a member of the National Guard for 10 years as a master sergeant. He was an accomplished artist of paintings in watercolor, pastels, oils and acrylics. One notable award was for his regiment insignia for the Department of the Army National Guard Bureau for the 228th Illinois Regiment of the 33rd Division.