

Dale H. Stiffler

MENTONE — Dale H. Stiffler, 90, rural Mentone, died at 10:25 p.m. Friday, Dec. 29, 2017, at Miller's Merry Manor, Warsaw.



He was born Aug. 14, 1927, in Elkhart, to Hobart and Lura Williamson Stiffler. On March 20, 1955, he was married to Oretha C. Bickel at Fish Lake Lutheran Church, Millersburg. She preceded on Nov. 28, 2008.



Dale was a farmer and a carpenter for many years.

He was a graduate of Elkhart High School in 1945. He served his country in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He was a part of the first group of soldiers to be drafted from Kosciusko County. He was discharged at the rank of sergeant.

He was a member of Warsaw American Legion. He enjoyed farming, gardening and raising animals, including sheep and hogs.

Survivors include two sons, Patrick (wife Elaine) Stiffler, Fortville, and Steven (wife Lori) Stiffler, Akron; and four granddaughters: Amanda Stiffler, Jenny (husband Justin) Overmyer, Jessica (husband Mitch) Melton and Jaclyn (husband Dylan) Murphy.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Hobart and Lura Stiffler; and his wife, Oretha Stiffler.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday, Jan. 5, in King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone, with Pastor Jason Rice officiating. Burial will be in Mentone Cemetery, with graveside military rites performed by Warsaw American Legion Post 49.

Visitation is from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 4, at King Memorial Home, Mentone.

Memorials to American Legion Post 49, Warsaw.

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Aug. 14, 1927 - Dec. 29, 2017

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Jiles, Sapulpa, Okla.; 18 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a son, Lee Allen Stubblefield II; and two sisters, Helen Geneva Stubblefield and Anita Blackburn.

Memorial service was at 4 p.m. Saturday, June 18, 2016, at Cross Point Church, Great Bend, Kan. Pastor Clay Boepple presided. Private family inurnment will be at the Fort Logan National Cemetery, Denver, Colo.

Memorials may be given to the Cross Point Church in care of Janice Stubblefield, 103 S.E. 60 Road, Great Bend, KS 67530.

Minnis Chapel, St. John, Kan., was in charge of arrangements.

The Rev. Lee Allen Stubblefield

July 4, 1937 - June 10, 2016



Lee Stubblefield

The Rev. Lee Allen Stubblefield, 78, one of God's most faithful servants, was called home on June 10, 2016, at Leisure Homestead, St. John, Kan.

He was born on July 4, 1937, in Tulsa, Okla., the son of Carson and Gertrude Rose Hagle Stubblefield.

He was a Baptist minister serving at Omega Church, Akron, and Great Bend Bible Church, Great Bend, Kan., and was chaplain at Ogden Rescue Mission, Utah. He received a Bachelor of Arts in Biblical Education at Western Bible Institute and was a 14-year veteran of the U.S. Navy.

On Jan. 26, 1960, he married Janice Clare Keioskie at Subic Bay, Philippines. She survives.

Other survivors include two daughters, Tammy Johnson (Jerry Mentone), and Cherie Jacobs (Victor); Great Bend, Kan.; four sons, Mark Stubblefield (Linda), Lewisburg, Tenn., John Stubblefield (Eileen Thompson Station, Tenn., David Fie (Karen), Springhill, Tenn., and Phyllis Stubblefield (Angie), Madison, Ala.; brother, Bill Stubblefield, Fowler, Kan.; three sisters, Rosemary Horn, Logan, Kan., Cindy Ryan, Missouri, and Nancy

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June 21, 2016

Patricia Studebaker

Patricia Studebaker, 81, formerly of Akron, died Nov. 11, 2016, at Peabody Retirement Community, North Manchester.

She was born Feb. 27, 1935, in Peru, to Lawrence and Eva Kasey Miller.

She was a meat cutter at several area grocery locations.

She was a Peru High School graduate. She was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star for many years. She enjoyed playing cards and loved to spend time with her family.

She is survived by her three sons: Paul (wife Linda) Studebaker, Akron; Don (wife Lori) Studebaker, Warsaw; and Ron (Cyndi) Studebaker, Peru; eight grandchildren: Jennifer, Tara, Julie, Preston, Leslie, Jason, Jordan, Zane; 10 great-grandchildren; a brother, Slana (wife Mary) Miller, Peru; and several nieces and nephews.

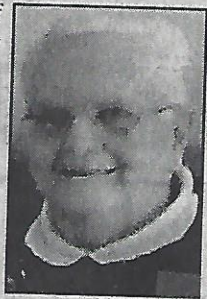
She was preceded in death by a son, Phillip Steven Studebaker, who died in 2006; a great-granddaughter, Adele Phillips, who died in 2011; two brothers, Lawrence and Glen Miller and a sister Maxine Ziner.

A graveside service will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru.

Calling is from 4 to 8 p.m. Monday at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron.

Memorials to Visiting Nurse and Hospice Home, 5910 Homestead Road, Fort Wayne, IN 46814.

Online condolences may be sent via www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com



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Nov 12/13, 2014

Patricia A. Studebaker

Feb. 27, 1935 - Nov. 11, 2016



Patricia
Studebaker

Patricia A. Studebaker, 81, formerly of Akron, passed away at 6:55 a.m. Friday, Nov. 11, 2016, at Peabody Retirement Community, North Manchester.

She was born on Feb. 27, 1935, in Peru, to Lawrence and Eva (Kasey) Miller.

Patricia was a meat cutter at several area grocery locations. She was a Peru High School graduate and a member of the Order of the Eastern Star for many years. She enjoyed playing cards and loved to spend time with her family.

Survivors include her sons, Paul and wife Linda Studebaker, Akron, Don and wife Lori Studebaker, Warsaw, and Ron and wife Cyndi Studebaker, Peru; her grandchildren, Jennifer, Tara, Julie, Preston, Leslie, Jason, Jordan, and Zane; 10 great-grandchildren; her brother, Slana and wife Mary Miller, Peru; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her son, Phillip Steven Studebaker in 2006; her great-granddaughter, Adele J. Phillips in 2011; her brothers, Lawrence and Glen Miller; and her sister, Maxine Ziner.

Funeral service is 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 15, 2016, at Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru. Burial will be at the cemetery. Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Monday, Nov. 14, 2016, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron.

Memorial contributions may be made to Visiting Nurse Hospice Home, 5910 Homestead Road, Fort Wayne, IN 46814. Family and friends may share a memory or send an online condolence at www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

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Baby Brother Sullenger

Baby Brother Sullenger, son of Matt and Bryanna Callahan Sullenger, Warsaw, was stillborn at 11:31 a.m. June 4, 2016, in Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw.

Surviving are his parents; a brother, Lucas Sullenger, Warsaw; maternal grandparents, Eric and Lynda Kelly, Silver Lake; paternal grandparents, Paul and Ardith Sullenger, Wakarusa; maternal great-grandparents, George and Eileen Schuster, Claypool; and maternal great-grandparents, Marla and Herman Arnold, Niles, Mich.

Calling is from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at McHatton-Sadler Funeral Chapels, Warsaw.

Condolences via mchattonsadlerfuneralchapels.com

Bennie W. Ditenour

Times Union June 7, 2016

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May 21, 2017

David L. Sult

May 15, 1960 – April 30, 2017

David L. Sult, 56, Rochester, passed away unexpectedly on April 30, 2017, after a sudden illness. He was born on May 15, 1960, in Rochester to William and Diana (Wagoner) Sult. He married Brandy Dust on May 15, 2015. She survives.

David loved being outdoors, gardening, camping and hanging out by his pond. He was a simple guy with an odd sense of humor, but truly enjoyed spending time with family and friends and never knew a stranger. He would give the shirt off his back to help anyone he could.

David is survived by his wife, Brandy, Rochester; his mother, Diana Sult, Rochester; two brothers, Mark Sult, Warsaw, and Brian Sult, Akron; a niece, Krista Gill, Indianapolis; a nephew, Jared Sult, Plymouth; his father-in-law, Chris Dust, San Pierre; and mother-in-law Vickie Dust, Rochester.

David was preceded in death by his father, William, in 2013.

A private family service will occur at a later date. Arrangements are handled by Heritage Funeral and Cremation Services, Warsaw.

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June 17/18, 2017

Weekend, June 17 & 18, 2017 3A

Marilyn Anne Fruit Summe

Marilyn Anne Fruit Summe, 85, passed away in Mount Dora, Fla., on May 28, 2017, surrounded by her loving family.

She was born in Claypool on July 11, 1931, and graduated from Silver Lake High School. She married Billy Lee Summe and they started their family in Silver Lake. They relocated to Mount Dora in central Florida in 1970.

She was retired from a long career with the Lake County school system and was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Mount Dora where, until recently, she was active in the vocal and handbell choirs and the United Methodist Women.

Marilyn fought a long battle with Crohn's disease but never lost her kindness and grace to all those around her.

She is survived by many cherished friends and by her devoted family, including her sons, Jon Edwin Summe and James Lee Summe; her brothers, Louis Fruit and James Fruitt; her granddaughters, Nancy Sherrod and Jamie Henson; her grandsons, William Summe and Daniel Summe; and her five great-grandchildren.

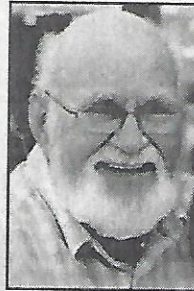
All these and more — the multitude who loved her and are ever grateful for her — release her now into the care of her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, where she joins her beloved husband, Bill, and her first-born son, Mark Douglas, in the joy of everlasting life.



Phillip Fleetwood Surface

MENTONE — Phillip Fleetwood Surface, 80, Mentone, died at 9:45 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 3, 2017, at Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw.

He was born June 7, 1937, in North Liberty, to Markwood I. and Alice Lucile Starnier Surface. On March 4, 1961, in Edgewood, both of his grandparents officiated his wedding to Beverly J. Smith; she survives.



He retired as a foreman at Kimble Glass, Warsaw, where he worked his entire career. He also enjoyed farming with Jim Wise and spending time in the fields during the spring and fall.

He graduated from Mentone High School in 1955. He was a member of Mentone United Methodist Church and a former member of Mentone Lions Club. He and his wife enjoyed wintering in Brownsville, Texas, and he volunteered there restoring many vehicles and planes for display in the Commemorative Air Force Museum.

He always enjoyed fishing, woodworking, watching the Chicago Cubs, and attending many of his grandchildren's sporting events. Many in the community knew him and lovingly called him Dad-Daddy.

Survivors include his wife, Beverly Surface, Mentone; daughters: Sharon (husband Chris) Kindig, Mentone; Laurie (husband Harold) Carlin, Mentone; and Teresa (husband Peter) Jones, Clinton, N.Y.; grandchildren: Krysta (husband Ronnie) Adams, Andrea (husband Scott) Rudicel, Nick Kindig, Eric (wife Billie Jo) Carlin, Kasi (husband Adam) Ittenbach, Karissa (husband Brandon) Cody, Kenneth Surface (fiancée Hanna), and Frances and Madeline Jones; 13 great-grandchildren; also considered a granddaughter, Whitney Haneline; sisters: Alice Keirn, Warsaw; Linda (husband Larry) Sims, Honeygrove, Texas; and Markee Adams, Mesa, Ariz.; and brother, Paul (wife Alice) Surface, Akron.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a son, Bobby Surface; and a great-grandson.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday, Dec. 8, at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone. Pastor Jason Rice will officiate. Burial will be in Harrison Center Cemetery, Etna Green.

Visitation is from 3 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 7, at King Memorial Home.

Memorials to Mentone Lions Club or Mentone United Methodist Church.

Share a memory or send a condolence at www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com.

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Phillip F. Surface

Phillip F. Surface, 80, Mentone, died Sunday at Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw.

Survivors include his wife, Beverly Surface, Mentone; his daughters, Sharon Kindig, Mentone, Laurie Carlin, Mentone, and Teresa Jones, Clinton, N.Y.; his sisters, Alice Keirn, Warsaw, Linda Sims, Honey Grove, Texas, and Markee Adams, Mesa, Ariz.; and his brother, Paul Surface, Akron.

His funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Friday at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone. Visitation is 3-7 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

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Larry Sutton

ROCHESTER — Larry L. Sutton, 66, Akron, passed away July 31, 2017, at his residence.

He was born Feb. 18, 1951, to Irvin G. and Marjorie M. Nicodemus Sutton.

Graveside services were planned for 10 a.m. today in Athens-Hoover Cemetery, with Pastor Kyle Schnitz officiating.

Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, was entrusted with arrangements.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at www.goodfamilyfh.com.

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August 7, 2017

Macks S. Swick

AKRON — Macks S. Swick, 71, Warsaw, formerly of rural Claypool, died at 9:48 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 4, 2018, at Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw.

He was born Dec. 9, 1946, in Kosciusko County, to Claude E. and Fern E. Warren Swick. He remarried on Dec. 9, 2003, in Warsaw, to Donna McCord. She survives.

He was a farmer and had also worked for Akron Concrete Products, Pike Lumber Co., and was a scrapper. He had many jobs over his lifetime, but training horses was his favorite.

He served his country in the U.S. Army during Vietnam.

Macks for many years had been very involved with 4-H, where he served as a leader. During his time as a leader he enjoyed working with poultry and goats.

Survivors include his wife, Donna Swick, Warsaw; daughters: Amy (husband Rodney) Keirn, Claypool; Nicki (husband Ryan) Crawford, South Whitley; and Bridget Swick (companion Mark Neeley), Warsaw; stepson, Nicholas Shepherd, Warsaw; two grandchildren; four stepgrandchildren; sisters, Arlene Miller, Pierceton, and Marilyn (husband James) Collins, Rochester; and brothers: Frank (wife Judy) Swick, Mentone; Ronnie (wife Carolyn) Swick, Claypool; David (wife Tammy) Swick, Mentone; and Mark (wife Valerie) Swick, St. Petersburg Beach, Fla.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sisters, Nancy Kuhn and Phyllis Swick; and brother, Eldon Swick.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday, Feb. 9, at Hartzler Funeral Home 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Pastor Thomas Craig officiating. Burial will be in Akron Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 8, at the funeral home.

Memorials to Kosciusko County 4-H Goat and Poultry. Share a memory or send a condolence at www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com



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Feb 6, 2018

Macks S. Swick

Dec. 9, 1946 – Feb. 4, 2018



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Memorial contributions may be made to Kosciusko County 4-H Goat and Poultry. Family and friends may share a memory

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Eaton, Mentone, and their children, Kevin (Teri) Eaton, Greg (Flo) Eaton, Kelly (Jeff) Howard, and Stacy (Kenny) Johnson.

She was preceded in death by her parents; daughter Vicki (Caywood) Parsons; and stepdaughters Judy Gonzales, Marge Thacker and Sheryl Simons.

A private service will occur. Interment will be in the Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester.

Arrangements are handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at www.zimmermanbrosfh.com.

Patricia Ann Syler

Dec. 22, 1930 – March 9, 2018



Patricia Syler

Patricia Ann Syler, 87, Rochester, passed away March 9, 2018, at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne, surrounded by her family and her pastor, Thad Stewart.

She was born Patricia Ann Eaton on Dec. 22, 1930, in Silver Lake, the daughter of Marshall E. and Helene (Bashore) Eaton. She and her brother, Garwin, were raised on a farm outside of Mentone. Prior to her marriage in 1974 to Thomas G. Syler, Pat was blessed with three daughters, Vicki, Debra and Tamara.

Tom preceded her in death on Feb. 23, 1989. She was a devoted member of the Omega Church, Akron, where she accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior. She cherished the fun and faithful church family she had at Omega, and she will be missed by all.

Survivors include her children, Tammie (Tamara) Caywood, Rochester, and Debra (Richie) Magan, Pompano Beach, Fla.; and stepdaughters Robin (Pat) Burkett and their children, Matt, Amy and Natalie, and Tracy (Chuck) Pocock and their daughter Charlie, and Tomi (Jeff) Syler-Bryant. Pat loved her little dog, Muffin, who has joined the canine family at Pat's daughter Tammie's home. Pat is also survived by her granddaughters, Jamie (Simons) Brewer, and Laneia Gonzales; grandsons Mark and Patrick Thacker and Matt and Shane Simons; and her brother, Garwin (Pat)

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March 13, 2018

Barbara Joan Sylvester

PIERCETON - Barbara Joan Sylvester, 74, Pierceton, passed away at 10 a.m. Jan. 22, 2016, in her residence.



She was born June 23, 1941, in Pierceton, to Jim and Emma Bell Elder Slusher. On Nov. 19, 1962, in Pierceton, she was united in marriage to Estle Sylvester, who survives. They were married 50 years.

She was a lifetime resident of Pierceton. She graduated from Pierceton High School with the Class of 1959. She loved to bake and take care of her grandchildren, attending all of their sporting events and functions. She loved to visit the oceans and travel. She was a giving person and was a wonderful wife and a great mother and grandmother.

Also surviving are two children, Tim (and spouse Stacy) Sylvester, Pierceton, and Kim (and spouse Roby) Potter, Akron; five grandchildren: Austin and Micaela Sylvester and Jace, Jalea and Payton Potter; and her brother, Raymond (and spouse Betty) Slusher, Pierceton. She was preceded in death by her mom and dad and three brothers, Dick, John and Rex Slusher.

A celebration of life service and burial will be held at a later date.

McHatton-Sadler Funeral Chapel, Pierceton, is entrusted with the arrangements.

Memorials to American Legion Post 258, 104 N. 1st Street, Pierceton, IN 46562; or Kosciusko County Cancer Care Fund c/o K21 Health Foundation, P.O. Box 1810, Warsaw, IN 46581-1810.

Condolences via mchattonsadlerfuneralchapels.com

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