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Thought for the Week: Experience is a hard teacher because she gives the test first, the lesson afterwards. Vernon Sanders Law

FREE WEEKEND

The Bargain Basement at the Knight Bergman Center will be holding two free weekends to help get ready for winter. This weekend Friday, September 19 and Saturday September 20. Hours are 9 to 4 both days. Stop in and see what they have to offer - you might find just what you need!

SPAGHETTI DINNER

This Saturday, September 20, from 4:00-6:30pm, is SwitchUp's annual Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser. The SwitchUp Board raises funds to maintain this needed ministry's equipment and building. We have been so blessed for our community's help in keeping this youth organization going. You can continue that work by joining us for dinner this Saturday and giving a freewill offering.

If you can't join us Saturday, but want to contribute, feel free to send donations, in care of The SwitchUp, to Central Christian Church of Van Buren PO Box 412, Van Buren IN 46991.

CEMETERY MEETING

The Asbury Cemetery Board will meet on October 6th at 7pm at Asbury Chapel Church. Anyone with an interest in the cemetery is welcome to attend.

LETTERS HOME @ THE

PULSE

by Cynthia Smyth-Wartzok
As we near the opening of Letters Home, I'd like to personally tell you about what this is and how it came about. I'm hoping you will consider joining us in this unique look at WWI as told through the eyes of local soldiers.

Last winter I ran across an article in the 1919 Warren Tribune concerning a WWI soldier from Warren who died on his way to Russia. Harry Surran's parents were both deceased, so the people of Warren petitioned the US government to have his body returned to be buried at Woodlawn. Notices were placed in local and area newspapers that a military service would be conducted on November 23, 1919. Over 2,000 people from across the state, including 60 members of his company, Co. A, 339th Infantry, showed up to pay their respects.

So, I decided to look up Harry and see what I could find out about him. The US entered WWI in 1917, so that seemed like a good start. One of the first newspapers I looked at contained a letter from a young man headed to boot camp. Interesting. Slowly letters began to appear and found eight by the end of 1917. As the men left bootcamp and began to be sent to France, more letters showed up on the front

page of the newspaper. By the end of the war, there were five or six in the paper every week. I found almost 100 letters from local servicemen which tell a remarkable story.

Credit must be given to Monroe Wiley, the editor of the Warren Tribune, for having the foresight to preserve these letters. I got a chill when I got to the bottom of one that was signed "Burton Gephart" - my great-uncle! I felt like I needed to share these letters with others in the community. What better way than to read them aloud from the Pulse stage. But which letters should we read?

Fortunately, I have a great group of volunteers at the Pulse who helped me sort through and decide which letters to read. The result is an evening of stories from getting the call to serve, boot camp, going overseas and the return home. It is one thing to read them on paper, but putting a voice to them is something else. All of us have talked about the mood, the feeling you get listening to these personal stories from over 100 years ago.

I'm inviting you to join us for this tribute to the young men who served our country then and the young men and women who serve our country now.

Letters Home will be presented at the Pulse Opera House on September 19, 20, 21, 26, 27, 28 and October 3, 4 and 5.

Tickets are \$15 for Adults, \$5 for children (12 and under). Friday and Saturday shows the doors open at 7:30pm, show starts at 8:00pm. Sunday shows the doors open at 3:30pm, show starts at 4:00pm.

For online Reservations visit pulseoperahouse.org or call 260.375.7017. For those not familiar with the Pulse, the Pulse Opera House is located at 127 1/2 Wayne Street, Warren, IN.

SAVE THE DATE

Friday, November 21, 2025 5 to 8 pm.

Join Historic Warren Main Street downtown Warren for a magical evening!

Stroll through downtown and enjoy decorated businesses, festive lights, and experience the wonder of the Festival of Trees. Enjoy Gingerbread Houses, Ice Carvings, Horse and Wagon Rides, Live Reindeer, Music, Story Time, Walk through the petting zoo, Christmas Village display, Pony Rides and shopping with lots of yummy goodies! Watch for more details soon!

Mark your calendars and celebrate the season with family and friends!

SCARECROW FESTIVAL

THE CORN AND BEANS ARE TURNING BROWN

SCHOOL-BELL SOUNDS MAY CAUSE A FROWN

SCARECROW FUN WILL SOON BE FOUND

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Come join in on the fun in Warren on Friday, October 24th from 6-8pm. Start creating your Scarecrow and concocting your tastiest Chili brew! The costume parade kicks off the Festivities at 6pm on the corner of 3rd Street & Wayne Street. Stay in town for Family-Friendly activities and treats along with some new events, stay tuned for more Information.

** Parents Bring Backpacks for Treats to keep your hands free for fun & games!

The Warren Area Chamber of Commerce sponsors the Scarecrow Festival and encourages local businesses and organizations to participate in the Scarecrow Festival. Please provide a family-friendly booth, organize a free game or activity and have treats ready for the trick-or-treaters! For more information, booth location, Scarecrow guidelines, and Chili Taste-off details please call Warren's Bippus State Bank @ 260-375-2265 or email

pbustos@bippusbank.com.

Let's make this night SPOOKTACULAR for our community!

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Kudos, Kicks & Karats



Treva's
Recipe Box
by Treva Flemming

Something new for supper tonight, I grilled pork steak on the outdoor grill and made this new side dish. I thought it was pretty good. John, he ate it but wasn't overly excited about it, probably cause of all the cheese. So I will share with you the recipe, not sure if I'll make it again, but it really is good.

CREAMY BACON PASTA

- 1 tbsp olive oil.
- 1 onion chopped
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- 3 1/2 c. Milk
- 1 can of cream of chicken soup
- 8 oz cream cheese, softened
- 1 tsp salt
- 1/2 tsp. Pepper
- 1 # shell pasta
- 1c shredded mozzarella cheese
- 1c. Shredded cheddar cheese
- 3/4 c. Crumbled bacon
- 2 tbsp. Parsley

Cook pasta till al dente. Rinse and drain under cold water.

In a large pot over medium high heat, add olive oil and onions and cook until the onions are soft, add garlic and continue to cook for 1 minutes till fragrant. Reduce heat, add milk, cream cheese, cream of chicken soup, and spices, cook until the cream cheese is all melted. Toss in pasta and stir to coat. Top with cheeses and bacon, stir in till melted add parsley before serving. Enjoy!!

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Worship 10:30 a.m.

BOEHMER UNITED METHODIST

Steve Nevius, Pastor
Denise Heiniger, S.S. Supt.
Sunday Worship 9:30a.m.
Sunday School 10:45a.m.

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Van Buren, Indiana 765-934-2199
Worship 9:30 a.m.
Youth Group 4:30-7:30pm at SwitchUp
Handicap Accessible

Little Panther Preschool 765.934.2099

HEALING WATERS MINISTRY —

5811 W 600 S, MT ETNA

Pastor Wayne Couch
260/515-2517
Sunday Prayer 9:15 a.m.
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 6:00 p.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6:00 p.m.

Daycare provided during Worship

DILLMAN UNITED BRETHREN

8888S 1100W-90, Warren 375-2779
Matt Kennedy, Pastor
Worship Service 9:00a.m.
Sunday School 10:00a.m.

HANFIELD GLOBAL METHODIST CHURCH

101 N 400 E - Marion 765/664-8726
Curtis Banker, Senior Pastor
Worship..... 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School 9:15 a.m.

THE NEW BEGINNING

SR 218, 2 1/8 mile west of Poneto
Steve Sutton, Pastor
765/728-2065 for more info
Sunday Worship..... 10:30a.m.
Thursday Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

HERITAGE POINTE

Chaplains Ginny Soultz, John Moyer &
Cindy Osgood
Sunday Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.
Mon-Fri Chapel Services 9:15 a.m.
Sunday Catholic Mass 1:00p.m.
Thurs. Catholic Mass 10:30a.m.

WARREN 1st BAPTIST CHURCH

727 N Wayne St, Warren
260-375-2811
office@warrenfirsbaptist.net
Pastor Mark Joyner
Sunday School9:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship10:00 a.m.

HILLCREST

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

375-2510
Pastor Gale Sonny Bloom, Jr.
Bus Service 375-2510
www.warrennaz.org

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship 10:30 a.m.

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485 Bennett Dr, Warren, IN
375-3873

John Boyanowski, Pastor
Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
Worship Service 10:00 a.m.

LANCASTER WESLEYAN

3147 W 543 S, Huntington
765.251.2322

Ron Forsythe, Pastor
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship 10:30 a.m.

Wednesdays:

Bible Study & Prayer 7:00 p.m.

LIBERTY CENTER BAPTIST CHURCH

694-6622
Aaron Westfall, Pastor
Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
Fellowship 10:00a.m.
Worship 10:15a.m.
Tues. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
Wed. Choir 6:30p.m.
Monthly Meetings

1st Mon Ministry Team 7:00 p.m.

3rd Sat Mens Prayer Breakfast 8:00 am

4th Mon ABW 1:30 pm

LIBERTY CENTER

COMMUNITY CHURCH

Pastor Diane Samuels
Fellowship Time9:00a.m.
Morning Worship9:30 a.m.
Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

THE CHURCH AT MCNATT

375-4359
Daniel Tucker, Pastor
Lois Slusher, Supt.

Brittney Miller, Youth & Family Dir.
Coffee Fellowship..... 8:30 a.m.
Worship 9:15 a.m.
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

Bible Study - Wed. 6:30 p.m.

MT. ETNA COMMUNITY LIFE CHURCH

260/468-2148 Sr 9 & 124
Rev. Dr. Scotty Murphy
Good Morning Church (Sunday School
for all ages9:00 - 9:45
Worship Service10:00 - 11:00

Everyone is Welcome

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CHURCH OF BRETHREN

468-2412
Mel Zumbrun, Pastor
Worship9:30 a.m.
Church School 10:45a.m.

1st CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF WARREN

375-2102
www.firstccw.net
Troy Drayer, Senior Pastor
Takarra Myers, Youth Director
office@firstccw.net

Sunday Worship..... 9:30 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 6:00 p.m.

Youth Sunday School during
Worship Service

Youth Group-Wed 6:00 p.m.
Communion 1st Sunday of the Month

VB CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

765/934-3321 Parsonage
Jeff Slater, Pastor

Jim Knight, Superintendent
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.

Adult Worship 10:30 a.m.

Children's Church 10:30a.m.

Evening Praise Hour 6:00p.m.

Hour of Power (Wed) 7:00p.m.

VB CHURCH OF THE VINE

765-934-1431
Pastor Brad Hensley

vanburenchurchofthevine@gmail.com
Worship Service 9:30 am

Sunday School 10:45am

Not Home Alone - Wed 3:00 pm

Prayer Group (Thur)..... 6:30pm

Men Serving God Group ... 4th Sat. 9am

Little Ones Book Club 1st Tue 10:00 am

Just Older Youth 3rd Tue 12:00 pm

WARREN CHURCH OF CHRIST

375-3022
Mickey Strong, Senior Minister
Andrew Fisher, Youth Minister

Liz Richardson, Childrens MinistryAsst.
Tara Bower - Secretary

www.warrenchurchofchrist.org
Fellowship9:15 a.m.

Worship & Communion9:30 a.m.
Sunday School11 to 11:50 a.m.

Youth:

K-6th grade, Mon 6:15-7pm

Jr/Sr Hi, Sunday 6-8pm

FARRVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH

11044 E 200 N, Marion, IN
765-618-0027

Pastor Al Soultz
Sunday Worship..... 10:30 am

Sunday School Classes9:30 am

Wed. Bible Study7:00 pm



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AREA NEWS

SSF NEEDS YOU

Did you know that the Salamonie Summer Festival fireworks cost over \$20,000. The Bands that we hire for the music entertainment during the festival cost anywhere from \$1800 to \$3500 or more each. The prices are going up every year and we don't get the sponsorships that we have in the past.

The money that we raise by having our fundraisers, or what people donate is all we have to make these events great for your enjoyment during the festival.

Any amount you can donate helps. We need the community's support to keep the festival going.

Donations can be mailed to SSF, PO Box 140, Warren, IN 46792.

The Marketplace Bazaar is Saturday, November 8, 2025 at Knight Bergman Center from 9am-2pm. Come out and support this festival Fund Raiser.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

There are a lot of events being planned for the next few months.

October 11 - Riverside Run 5K 8:30am at Riverside Park

October 24 - Scarecrow Festival, 6-8pm, downtown Warren. Sponsored by Warren Area Chamber of Commerce.

November 8 - SSF Arts & Crafts Marketplace, 9-2pm at Knight Bergman Center Warren. Sponsored by Salamonie Summer Festival

November 21 - Holiday Walk, Festival of Trees & Gingerbread Houses 5-8pm in downtown Warren. Sponsored by Historic Warren Main Street.

November 28 - Winter Warrenland, 6pm, Downtown Warren. Sponsored by Town of Warren and Knight-Bergman Center.

USPS JOB FAIRS

Several locations will host joint events

There are plenty of opportunities for job seekers to ask questions and receive assistance during Postal Service Job Fairs at different locations across Indiana on Sept. 26. Several Fairs seek to hire for other nearby office, as well.

A new resource, the USPS Blog, offers Did You Know and Tips on how to apply for USPS jobs - How to Apply for a Postal Service Job - Postal Posts

Job Fairs will be held on Friday, Sept. 26, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the following local locations to fill immediate openings for rural carrier associates and/or assistant rural carriers, both paying up to \$20.38 per hour plus some benefits:

Decatur, 213 Court St - also hiring for Berne.

Huntington, 330 W Market St - also hiring for Columbia City and South Whitley.

Roanoke, 117 N Main St.

FARR REUNION

Farr Family held the last reunion August 3, 2025, after 121 consecutive years, with the exception of one year during World War II.

Samuel Farr Jr and three sons rode horseback from Clark's Creek, NC to Grant Co, IN in 1832. They returned home and Samuel died that winter. In 1835 Mahala Wallace Farr, his wife, and ten children came by wagon and horseback to Indiana. They arrived in Grant Co in 1837. Son Thompson rode to Ft Wayne and \$1.25 per acre for 1,000 acres in Eastern Grant County, IN. Mahala and nine children divided the acreage. One son chose money.

Family attending the last reunion were Amie Love, Lisa Love, Shirley Love, Jack Corn, Jane Polzin, Cathy Pearson and Jim and Dianne Burk.

Minutes of all reunions will be given to the Genealogy Center Allen County Public Library, Ft Wayne, IN.

ASK SHIP

Q: I have a Medicare Advantage Plan now, but I would like to change it. When can I change that plan for a different one? Is there someone who can help find the best plan for me?

A: Medicare's Annual Enrollment Period is October 15 - December 7.

During this time, you can make changes to various aspects of your Medicare Advantage and Part D drug coverage.

Every September, Medicare enrollees receive an Annual Notice of Change (ANOC) letter from their insurance companies to let you know what changes may affect your plan for the following year. Premiums can increase; provider coverage can change; dental premiums may change; and you may see changes to which prescription drugs are covered under your plan.

During the annual enrollment period, you can do the following:

* Change from Medicare to a Medicare Advantage plan

* Drop a Medicare Advantage Plan

* Change from one Medicare Advantage plan to a different one

* Change from one Part D prescription drug plan to another

* Cancel your Part D plan

* Enroll in a Part D plan

Any changes you make will go into effect January 1, 2026. There is also a Medicare Advantage Open Enrollment Period, from January 1 - March 31 each year. During these 3 months, you can:

* Switch to another Medicare Advantage plan

(with or without drug coverage), or

* Disenroll and return to Original Medicare. If you do so, you can also join a Part D prescription drug plan.

One of the best tools that can help you during the Medicare Open Enrollment is the Medicare Planfinder at www.medicare.gov/find-a-plan. It takes you step-by-step through available Medicare Advantage and Part D prescription drug plans while taking your prescription drug costs into consideration.

You do not need to register with the Website to use it; however, you can safely enter your Medicare number in the tool to view your own current plan enrollment information and specific plan costs. This can help you compare plans and their costs specific to you.

SHIP, the State Health Insurance Assistance Program, can help you compare plans and to use the Planfinder Tool.

Changes to Medicare supplement insurance policies (Medigap) can occur any time of year. However, your premium maybe increased due to your current health status or you may be denied a new policy if you are not in a guaranteed issue period.

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Weekly Specials
Sep 18 - 24

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Community Calendar

Items listed here are open to the public. If there is an admission charge or items are for sale or a donation is necessary, there is a one-time \$5 fee to be listed. Events can be listed for as long as 6 months. (If an event is canceled, please notify WW.) Only event, place, time, and sponsor, for events in Warren, and the surrounding area will be listed.

Sep 17	7:00p	V - Town Council Meeting @ Town Hall
Sep 22		FIRST DAY OF FALL
Sep 26	7:00p	Rylie Lynn Band @ Riverside Park downtown Warren
Oct 1	Noon	W - Chamber of Commerce Luncheon @ KBC
Oct 1	7:00p	V - Town Council Meeting @ Town Hall
Oct 12		COLUMBUS DAY
Oct 13	5:00p	W - Town Council Meeting @ Assembly Hall
Oct 14	6:30p	W - SSF Meeting
Oct 15	7:0p	V - Town Council Meeting @ Town Hall

Bread of Life Food Pantry - Wednesdays - 2 - 4:00pm at KBC;

Bargain Basement - Friday & Saturday - 9 - 4 at KBC

These Events Can Also Be Found at www.warrenweeklyindiana.com

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That is when you first turn 65 or lose other coverage.

Every year, you should review both your Medicare health and drug coverage to ensure you are getting the best coverage for your needs at the best price.

If you or someone you know have questions about Medicare or any other Medicare related topic, contact SHIP at (800) 452-4800, or online at www.medicare.in.gov. You can also find us on Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, and YouTube.

THE BOOK BAG

by Daris Howard
I've seen a young man on campus with a most interesting book pack. It doesn't really have straps to sling it around both shoulders like a pack, but one big one that is used as a cross-body bag. I guess in that case it's really a giant book bag. But what made it most interesting was that it was big and fluffy, and it looked like a red, hairy, Muppet-type monster.

I had seen him around campus for quite a while and watched people do a double-take when he walked by. In a campus world of lots of backpacks, his stood out. Finally, one day, he paused in the foyer of the building where I was sitting, so I asked his name. "Brian," he said. I then told him I thought his bag was interesting.

Brian laughed. "My friends and roommates all think it defines my character. They think in some ways I am like the friendly monster it depicts."

I asked him where he got it, and he told me it was a rare bag.

"I was at a craft fair in a little country town in Massachusetts. A lady handmade these. She made them based on whatever creature she felt like doing at the time. She only made a half dozen or so like mine."

"I think I might have seen a girl on campus with one that is a different kind of creature,

but it has similar characteristics," I said.

"I could guess she is probably from somewhere close to Massachusetts and got it from the same lady," Brian replied.

He then went on to tell me an interesting story. He said one of his roommates, Sam, had traveled to Pennsylvania for some internship work for his major. One day, he came across a girl with a bag that was similar to Brian's.

"In fact," Brian said, "Sam claimed it had all the same characteristics except that the monster was different. He started describing the monster, and it sounded like something from a Disney movie. It was hairy, blue, and had horns."

Brian said he didn't date much, so his roommates were always trying to match him up. When Sam came back from his trip and described the girl and her backpack, they all felt that it was a divine sign, and they needed to set the two of them up. They didn't tell Brian about it, wanting to keep it a secret until they could plan everything. They decided to arrange for Brian to first meet the girl on FaceTime or something similar.

Of course, the first thing the roommates had to do was to get the girl's information. Sam called a friend who worked at his internship company. He told him he wanted to get a certain girl's information. He described her, and the friend said, "Well, that describes about a dozen girls that work here." Then Sam mentioned the book bag, and the friend said, "Why didn't you just say that in the first place?"

The friend got the girl's first name but not her last. He also got her email and phone number. Armed with that information, the roommates were ready to do the matchmaking.

They told Brian they had found the perfect girl for him. They described her. She was about five feet eight inches, just shorter than Brian. She had pretty brown hair that she pinned back, and it fell loosely around her shoulders. She had big brown eyes and a contagious smile.

Brian said she sounded good. Then, to convince Brian she was the perfect match, the roommates told him that she had a book bag much like his. They then described the bag.

Brian started thinking about it, realizing that she must have bought the bag from the same place he did. He knew she must live in the same vicinity. He thought about their description of her as well as the description of the bag.

He then looked at his roommates and said, "I have one last question. Does her name happen to be Nadine?"

The roommates gasped and nodded. "Do you know her?" Sam asked.

Brian nodded. "She's my sister."

HOW DO YOU TREAT WAITERS?

by Bryan Golden
The way you treat others offers a window into the type of person you are. Your interaction with people, whose job it is to serve you, reflects on your character and offers a glimpse into the way they will react to you.

When you behave in a condescending manner, you are sure to elicit a negative reaction. Immediately, the person you are talking down to will be put off, even if they don't show it. You will squelch any inclination for the other person to go out of their way to help you. At most, they will do no more than the bare minimum necessary to keep you mollified.

Corporate CEOs like to observe how job candidates treat waiters. These corporate captains have found that how a prospective employee treats a waiter offers a clear picture of the type of person he or she is.

Someone who is polite to you but discourteous to a waiter does not have desirable interpersonal skills. They tend to be abrasive, causing friction among coworkers and subordinates.

Your treatment of waiters isn't just significant in business settings. A survey by a dating service discovered that being rude to waiters tops the list as the worst dining etiquette. It is a real turnoff to be in the company of someone who is mean spirited.

Anyone can treat a waiter well when there are no mishaps or mess-ups. The real indication of a person's true nature is how they react when there are problems. What do they do when a waiter makes a mistake or their meal is not what they had hoped for? Do they get indignant, make a scene, and jump down the waiter's throat? Or are they gracious and magnanimous?

No one likes to be berated when they make a mistake. Some waiters are better than others. Some are more conscientious. You can't manage their behavior, but you do control yours. If you can't handle a problem when you are eating out, how can you be depended on to handle life's real predicaments?

People, who are rude to waiters, erroneously believe they are displaying power and authority. They mistakenly think their behavior will impress others. Anyone who attempts to elevate their status by stepping on others will ultimately fall flat on their face.

People with integrity and character treat everyone with courtesy and respect, regardless of their occupation, financial, or social status. They don't view themselves as being above or below anyone else.

The way you treat people determines to a large part how they treat you. Not everyone will respond to kindness and consideration. But everyone will react negatively to berating. Your best bet for bringing out the best in people is to treat them with respect.

If you expect the worst from people, your attitude will project this and your low expectations will usually be met. If you anticipate the best, people tend to try to live up to those expectations so as not to disappoint you.

People crave approval and recognition. If you start out rejecting someone, they will feel there is no chance to please you and won't even try. However, when you say please, thank you, and can you help me, others will make an extra effort to accommodate you.

Treat waiters, and everyone you encounter, with dignity. In so doing, your relationships with people, even strangers, will improve. You will still find some individuals you just can't deal with. But they will be much more of an exception. You can never go wrong by treating another person well.

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GENEALOGY REPORT

TAYLOR



Kip S. Taylor, 64, of Marion, passed away at 5:50 a.m. on Monday, Aug. 25, 2025, at Marion Health.

She was born on Thursday, Dec. 22, 1960, in Fort Knox, Ky., to the late Robert and Claudia (Decker) Smith.

Kip attended Eastbrook High School and went on to earn her bachelor's degree from Indiana Wesleyan University, Marion.

She dedicated her career to serving others as a social worker.

Kip served her country honorably in the United States Army.

She had a deep love for her family and found great joy in cooking and sharing that passion with her grandchildren, teaching them to cook from an early age.

Kip's warmth, strength and generosity touched the lives of many.

She is survived by her daughter, Christy Taylor, of Marion; her grandchildren, Gaige Colburn, of Van Buren, Kennedi Freyholtz, of Marion, and Mackenzie Bragg, of Lafayette; her great-grandchildren, Brealynn, Ryleigh and Uriah; her sister, Donna (Jason) Shelton, of Silver Lake; her brother, Robert "Duffy" (Darlene) Smith, of Upland; several nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Kip was preceded in death by her parents, Robert and Claudia Smith.

A graveside service was on Friday, Aug. 29, 2025, at Grant Memorial Park, 1606 W. 26th St., Marion.

Pastor Dan Van Cise officiated. Memorial contributions may be directed to the family.

Arrangements are entrusted to Integrity Funeral Care, 1606 W. 26th St., Marion.

PULLEY

Barbara Ann Pulley, 78, of Huntington, passed away at 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 2, 2025, at The Waters of Huntington.

She was born on May 4, 1947, in Columbia City, the daughter of Harold Pulley and Mary Anna (Maley) Pulley.

Barbara grew up in Bippus.

She graduated from Clear Creek High School Class of 1965 and then earned her bachelor's degree from the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse.

Barbara retired as a production worker from Small Parts.

She attended New Hope Church, Bippus.

Barbara enjoyed playing softball and watching all sports.

Survivors include her sisters, Betty L. Andrews, of Warren, and Brenda Mount, of Warren; brother, Robert (Jeanette) Pulley, of Laramie, Wyo.; several nieces and nephews.

Barbara is preceded in death by her father, Harold Pulley, mother, Mary Anna Pulley, and sister, Becky Jo Campbell.

The family wishes to grieve privately with burial at Mt. Etna Cemetery.

Preferred memorials may be made in memory of Barbara to Bippus Fire Department or to the choice of the donor in care of Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 W. Park Dr., Huntington, IN 46750.

MORRIS

Norma Jean Morris, 84, entered the eternal presence of her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, on Wednesday, Sept. 3, 2025, at 7:59 a.m. at IU Health Ball Memorial Hospital, Muncie, after an extended illness.

She was born on September 14, 1940, in Aultsville, Ontario, Canada, to Ethel (Canough) and Hugh Gillard.

Norma was one of nine children, Bruce (Ruth) Gillard, Donald (Elizabeth) Gillard, Donald (Stan) Hodgson, Robert "Rowdy" Gillard, Brian (Mary) Gillard, Ronnie Gillard, Wayne (Marie) Gillard and Hugh (Arnita) Gillard.

She earned her RN in Ottawa, Ontario, and was working in Newfoundland when she met the love of her life, Richard "Dick" Morris, as he served a tour with the United States Air Force.

The two were married on September 7, 1968, in Morrisburg, Ontario, then

moved to Fort Wayne and started their own family.

There were seven children, Anthony (Nicole), of Muncie, Aaron, of Marion, Adam (Courtney), of Delphi, Andrew (Emiley), of Upland, Allen "Casey," of Fort Wayne, Tamara (Spencer), of Van Buren, and Christopher, of Marion; ten grandchildren, Gabriella (Jarell), Mackenzie, Caledonia (Mark), Coraleigh, Catalina, Lorelei and Rilynn, SJ, Cole and Athena; one great-grandchild, Amelia; nearly two dozen foster children that were loved and cared for in their home over the years.

Norma was a member of Center Chapel Global Methodist Church, Marion.

While a homemaker for most of her married life, she returned to nursing at Blackford Community Hospital, Hartford City, later in life.

Norma was a devoted mother, foster mom, friend and confidant.

While she was small in stature, she made up for it in her big personality and the way she fiercely loved others.

Norma loved to watch birds, quilt, work jigsaw puzzles and cook for her large family. She made the best homemade strawberry jam!

She was an active volunteer in a community organization, Helping Hands, volunteering in their thrift shop weekly.

With Christmas being her favorite holiday, Norma had a Christmas village on a permanent display thanks to Dick's creative engineering.

Together, Dick and Norma shared a beautiful Christ-centered life. He preceded her in death on November 25, 2020.

She also was preceded in death by her parents, Hugh and Ethel Gillard, and siblings, Hugh, Bruce, Donald, Donald and Wayne.

While we grieve Norma's death, we don't grieve as those without hope because we know that absence from the body means being in the presence of the Lord.

Norma will be greatly missed, but we cling tightly to the promise that we will one day be reunited in Christ.

Arrangements for Norma were entrusted to Jones-Smith Chapel of Armes-Hunt Life Celebration Funeral Home and Cremation Services, 259 N. Main St., Upland.

A visitation will be on Saturday, Sept. 13, 2025, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Center Chapel Church, 8733 E. 200 S., Marion.

A funeral service will follow at 1 p.m. with Pastor Mark Sanders officiating.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to either Center Chapel Church or Hickory Grove Church, 9714 N. 700 W., Delphi, IN 46923.

STOCKMAN

Michelle Stockman, 81, of Markle, passed away on Thursday evening, Sept. 4, 2025, at her home.

She was a 1962 graduate of Rock Creek Township High School.

Michelle retired as an office manager from Warren Dental Office after over 20 years.

She enjoyed making blankets for Hope House at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Michelle was an avid gardener and enjoyed knitting, sewing, crochet and cross stitch. She was an active member of Plum Tree United Church of Christ prior to the church closing. Michelle volunteered for McKinzie's Hope Child Advocacy programs. She loved spending weekends at the lake with her family.

She was born on June 2, 1944, in Huntington, a daughter of late Meredith H. and Doris L. (Sparks) McFadden.

Michelle was united in marriage to James "Jim" Stockman on September 5, 1964, in Plum Tree. They were happily married for over 40

years before Jim preceded her in death on October 2, 2004.

Survivors include two sons, Michael (Jia) Stockman, of Fort Wayne, and Brian (Daniel Fulmer) Stockman, of Indianapolis; a sister, Jane Park, of Warren; two grandchildren, Lucie Stockman, of Indianapolis, and Marcus Stockman, of Fort Wayne; two nephews, Steve (Kim) Park, of Markle, and Kevin (Linda) Park, of Warren.

Michelle was preceded in death by her parents and her husband.

There will be no public services at this time.

A private family burial was at Markle Cemetery.

Memorial contributions can be made out to Markle Fish & Game Club Park in care of Myers Funeral Home, 2901 Guilford St., Huntington, IN 46750.

SELL

Alice C. Sell, 94, of Huntington, passed away at 11:39 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 6, 2025, at her residence.

She was born on February 14, 1931, in New Point, the daughter of Fred Meyer and Ethel (Miller) Meyer.

Alice graduated from Napoleon (Ohio) High School Class of 1949.

She continued her education at Ball State University, Muncie, where she received her bachelor's and master's degree in education.

Alice met Jack G. Sell while at Ball State University, Muncie. They married on December 27, 1952, in Greensburg. He preceded her in death on December 10, 2019.

She retired from Huntington County Community School Corporation after 39 years of employment.

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Alice and Jack were both very passionate about serving the community and volunteering wherever they were needed.

She was a part of Huntington County Retired Teachers Association and Forks of the Wabash Board.

Alice was very active at New Hope United Church of Christ and several other groups.

She was a very talented seamstress, who knew no limits on altering and creating.

Alice enjoyed cooking, watching the grandchildren succeed in their activities and spending time with family.

Survivors include her daughter, Elizabeth A. (Carl) Ring, of Fort Wayne; son, Michael E. (Brandy) Sell, of Bippus; six grandchildren, Adam (Lynnette), Nicole (Justin), Megan (Robert), Amy (Mark), Emily (Joe) and Wes (Molly); 15 great-grandchildren; four great-great-grandchildren; sister-in-law, Mary Sell, of Warren.

Alice is preceded in death by her husband, Jack Garland Sell, father, Fred J.C. Meyer, mother, Ethel Marie Meyer, brother, Donald Meyer, and sister, Grace Kessens.

Visitation was on Thursday, Sept. 11, 2025, at Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 W. Park Dr., Huntington.

Funeral services were on Friday, Sept. 12, 2025, at New Hope United Church of Christ with Pastor Larry Holderbaum and Pastor Jill Miller officiating.

Preferred memorials may be made to Huntington County Retired Teachers Scholarship Fund or to Forks of the Wabash in care of Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 W. Park Dr., Huntington, IN 46750.

ALLEN

Ruth "Ruthie" E. Allen, 65, of rural Bluffton, passed away Monday afternoon, Sept. 8, 2025, at her residence.

Ruthie was born in Bluffton on Nov. 8, 1959, to Robert L. and Nova I. (Baumgartner) Steffen. Both parents preceded her in death. She married Curtis "Curt" J. Allen in Warren on Aug. 29, 1992.

He preceded her in death on April 23, 2025.

Ruthie graduated from Bluffton High School in 1978. She currently had been working as a CNA at Christian Care Retirement Community in Bluffton for the past fifteen years, and prior to that, had worked as a teller at Wells Fargo Bank in Bluffton for several years.

Ruthie attended Life Community Church in Bluffton and enjoyed riding her bike and hiking trails in Ouabache State Park. She also enjoyed quilting and crocheting. Family was everything to Ruthie, and she especially loved spending time with her grandchildren.

Survivors include a son, Spencer J. (Taeler) Allen of Bluffton; a stepson, Cory J. Allen of Texas; four grandchildren, Seager and Steele Allen, and Corson and Lillie Allen; along with a sister, Karen Boxell of Warren.

Visitation will be Friday, Sept. 12, 2025, from noon until 2 p.m., at Goodwin - Cale & Harnish Memorial Chapel in Bluffton, followed immediately by a memorial service at 2 p.m. Tony Garton will officiate. Private family burial will be held at Elm Grove Cemetery in Bluffton.

Memorial contributions may be made to Friends of Ouabache State Park.

PAULEY

Taylor Scott Thomas Pauley, 30, of Bluffton passed away Friday morning, Sept. 12, 2025, at his residence.

Taylor was born June 13, 1995, in Bluffton to Jason Pauley and Sonya (Gomez) Turner. A 2014 graduate of Bluffton High School, Taylor participated in the Welding program. This is where his journey began to becoming a very talented welder and tradesman.

A hard worker, Taylor, started and operated T & C Lawn & Landscaping at 14-years-old. He was a welder at Edge Manufacturing and was currently working for Longenberger Excavating located in Uniondale, Indiana.

Taylor loved spending time outdoors, hunting, fishing and

riding ATVs! He enjoyed traveling and always had a spot picked out to visit next. He was a true friend, if anyone needed his help, Taylor would be on his way!

Survivors include his father, Jason and Heather Pauley of Bluffton; his mother, Sonya and Shane Turner of Warren; and his stepfather, Chris Wolf of Bluffton.

Taylor was a very proud big brother to his siblings, Shay d'Lyn (Timothy) Davis of Fort Wayne, Gaige Pauley of Keystone, Brycen (fiancé Brianna) Wolf, Garrett Pauley, Gabryella Pauley and Malena Moya, all of Bluffton; along with many nieces, nephews and cousins.

He is also survived by his grandparents, Scott and Louise Mendenhall of Bluffton and Mike and Christine Ferguson of Ossian.

He is preceded in death by his grandfather, Tom Pauley; and grandmother, Brenda Pauley.

Visitation will be held from noon to 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19, 2025, at the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton and for one hour prior to the service.

Funeral services will take place at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, 2025, at the funeral home with Pastor Tony Miller officiating.

Burial will follow at Fairview Cemetery in Bluffton.

Memorials may be made in Taylor's memory to the Bluffton High School Welding Program and can be sent to the funeral home.

HUFFMAN

Dwight K. "Ike" Huffman, 83 of rural Markle, passed away on Monday afternoon, September 15, 2025, at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne.

Ike was born on July 14, 1942, in Bluffton to Clyde & Mary (Thompson) Huffman. After graduating from Liberty Center High School in 1960, Ike worked for 45 years as a rural fuel delivery driver around Liberty Center and Bluffton, with National Oil & Gas. A longtime member of Boehmer Church, Ike loved to go coon hunting and was a

longtime member of the Wells County Coon Hunters Club. He was a huge Purdue basketball and Cincinnati Reds fan. He was a longtime supporter of the Wells County 4-H Cattle program and made many friends showing cattle around the country. Most of all, Ike enjoyed his grandchildren and attending their ball games.

On October 19, 1963, in Ossian, Ike and Gay Lynn (Walker) were married. They were married for 37 years before she preceded him in death on October 14, 2000.

Survivors include his 3 sons: Brent D. (Deb) Huffman of Bluffton, Greg D. (Kim) Huffman of rural Warren and Matt C. (Chad Blumenherst) of Fort Wayne. He was a loving grandpa to 6 grandsons; Kurt, Kyle, Nick, Travis, Evan & Mason, along with 3 great-grandchildren; Delaney, Stetson and Berkley Huffman. Ike is also survived by a sister-in-law, Sarah Huffman of Liberty Center along with nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents, his wife Gay Lynn, and a brother, Carl Darrell Huffman.

Funeral services will take place at 10:30 A.M. on Monday, (Sept. 22, 2025) at the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home with Jeff Lemler officiating. Burial will follow at Mossburg Cemetery in Liberty Center.

Visitation will take place from 12 Noon to 5 P.M. on Sunday, (Sept. 21, 2025) at the funeral home and for one hour prior to the service.

Memorials may be made in Ike's memory to the Wells County 4-H for the Cattle & Hog Barns Maintenance Fund.

TURNER

Linda F. Turner, age 76, of Montpelier, IN, passed away at 8:50 PM on Monday, September 15, 2025 with her family by her side at her home.

She was born on Tuesday, April 26, 1949, in Newport News, VA. She married James H. Turner on Friday, May 19,

1967, in Battle Creek, MI. Linda attended Central High School in Battle Creek, MI. She was a member of the Old Time Church. She worked for BRC, Sheller Globe, and Smith Consulting all of Montpelier. Linda loved to read the Bible, enjoyed listening to Christian music, and above all cherished the time she spent with her family.

She will be forever missed by her husband - James H. Turner, Montpelier, IN, daughter - Annette (A.J.) Nelson, Montpelier, IN, son - Danny (Lisa) Turner, Montpelier, IN, grandchildren - Jeremy Bowman, Cody Turner, & Jonah Turner, great grandchildren - Devon Bowman, Levi Bowman, Jazzlynn Turner, Axton Turner & Benson Turner, sisters - Brenda Neff, Idaho, Sue Thompson, Battle Creek, MI, & Mary Brandt, Battle Creek, MI, and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her father - Ernest Connor, mother - Mildred (Dyess) Carson, and brother - Allen Connor.

Family and friends may gather to share and remember at Walker & Glancy Funeral Home located at 109 W. Windsor St. Montpelier, IN. on Sunday, September 21, 2025 from 2:00 PM to 6:00 PM and one hour prior to services on Monday.

A service to celebrate Linda's life will be at Walker & Glancy Funeral Home at 11:00 AM on Monday, September 22, 2025 with Rev. Ferrell Long officiating. Interment will follow in the Brookside Memorial Park in Montpelier.

Preferred memorials can be made to the American Kidney Foundation



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