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Thought for the Week: Always do right. This will gratify some people and astonish the rest. Mark Twain

WBSL SIGN-UP

The WBSL (Warren Baseball & Softball League) is about to kick off another exciting season! Every child aged 7-17 on June 1st can join, even if they play elsewhere as long as it is not the same nights.

Leagues are as follows:

American Little League - boys ages 7-10; National Little League - boys 11-13; Junior Girls Softball - girls 7-12; Senior Girls Softball - girls 13-17; and Pony League - boys 14-17.

Please note: 10 year old boys have a choice of the 2 Little Leagues, if you sign up a boy who is 10 you will be contacted by the League to find out which league you want. (They are very different.)

An entry fee of \$40 will be charged per child but there is no fundraising! Make check or money order payable to WBSL and mail to: WBSL, PO Box 719, Warren 46792 or you may send the money to the first practice in an envelope with your kid's name on it.

Deadline for sign-up is March 29th, after that you may be placed on a wait list.

If you would like to complete your registration online it is available at www.warrenweeklyindiana.com/wbsl. A printed form will be available in next week's newspaper.

4-H Flower Sales

Grant County 4-H members are currently selling flowers and vegetables. The flowers and vegetables available for 2023 are: red, white, and pink Geraniums, Moss Rose, Dianthus, Begonias, red, white, and purple Wave Petunias, Gerbera Daisy,

Better Boy Tomato, Cherry Tomato, Wave Petunia hanging basket, Impatiens hanging basket, and Begonia hanging basket.

If you are planning to buy flowers or vegetables for your home, why not purchase from a Grant County 4-H member?

Contact a local 4-H'er or club leader to order your plants before April 20, or call the Grant County Extension office and we can put you in touch with a 4-H Club. The phone number for the office is 765-651-2413.

Please support the Grant County 4-H Program!

AUDITIONS

Auditions are being held March 6 at 7:00 p.m. at the Pulse Opera House for the upcoming production of The Orphan Train by Aurand Harris

Performances will be April 21, 22, 23, 28, 29, 30 and May 5, 6, 7. Two days of school performances will be scheduled.

Roles available: 6 Women, 7 Men, 6 Boys, 5 Girls (age 8 and up), 1 Girl (Age 6-7) For more character information check out the Pulse Opera House Auditions group on Facebook.

Synopsis: The play tells the story of nine orphans on an "orphan train" that left New York City on May 28, 1914.

The train travels to Midwestern towns in search of homes, any homes, anywhere for the orphaned and unwanted children. There's Mary, Evie spunky Pegeen, Annie and Little Lucy, a quiet one. Other orphans include Frank (who later becomes Frankie, a small girl), Raymond, Lucky and

Danny the song-and-dance boy. An there are the men and women hoping for children. The lonesome whistle wails as the train chugs between encounters of anxiety, laughter, wistfulness, rejection and acceptance. Eight stories unfold, each a memorable surprise. The Orphan Train is a charming heart-warmer and all we expect from on the the legendary playwrights for children, Aurand Harris. The staging creates a highly theatrical story, moving, amusing and always tellingly human.

What to prepare: You should have some familiarity with the Orphan Train Story. In the late 1800s and early 1900s, Warren was an orphan train stop. The Warren Library has a list of books about orphan trains that can be ordered.

The auditions will consist of cold reading from the script. Highly encourage families (adults and kids) to audition together.

MANAGING CONCERNS

ABOUT FALLS

Have you turned down a chance to go out with family or friends because you were concerned about falling? Have you cut down on a favorite activity because you might fall? If so, A Matter of Balance: Managing Concerns about Falls is a program for you.

A Matter of Balance is designed to reduce the fear of falling and increase activity levels among older adults. Participants learn to set realistic goals to increase activity, change their environment to reduce fall risk factors, and learn simple

exercise to increase strength and balance.

Purdue Extension Huntington County is partnering with the LaFontaine Center to bring A Matter of Balance to you! The free 8-week class begins March 1st and will meet each Wednesday at noon. Pre-registration is required. Please reserve a seat by calling the Extension Office at (260) 358-4826 or emailing cneverid@purdue.edu.

OUABACHE STATE PARK OFFERS INDIANA MASTER NATURALIST CLASS

Do you love our natural world and sharing it with others? If you would like to learn more about nature in an indoor/outdoor hands-on setting at a State Park then this Master Naturalist Program is for you.

Oubache State Park has partnered with Friends of Ouabache State Park and Wells County Purdue Extension to host an Indiana Master Naturalist class from March 30 through May 25 on Thursdays from noon- 3p.m.

The Indiana Master Naturalist Program (IMNP) is an educational/volunteer program developed by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources and Purdue University Extension to provide Hoosier's who love experiencing and then sharing nature with others by learning through hands-on educational opportunities. Class sessions include bats, wildflowers, butterflies, rivers and more.

The mission of the IMNP is to bring together natural resources specialists with adult learners to foster an understanding of Indiana's

plants, water, soils and wildlife and to promote volunteer service in local communities.

The fee for the class is \$75.00. Registrations will be due by March 20. To get a registration or to learn more about the program, contact Jody Heaston, Indiana State Parks Volunteer Coordinator, at jheaston@dnr.in.gov or 463-203-6562 or visit Wells County Purdue Extension located at 4-H Park in Bluffton.

The standard park entrance fee will be waived for students during class times.

Ouabache State Park (stateparks.IN.gov/2975.htm) is at 4930 E. St. Road 201, Bluffton, 46714.

SPRING TURKEY RESERVED HUNT APPLICATIONS OPEN

Beginning Feb. 19, hunters can apply for spring turkey reserved hunts at on.IN.gov/reservedhunt.

The online method is the only way to apply for the hunts listed below. Applications must be submitted by 11:59 p.m. on Sunday, March 19. No late entries will be accepted. Applicants must possess a hunting license that is valid for the hunt they apply for.

Hunters will be selected through a random computerized draw. An email will be sent to all applicants when the draws have been completed. Applicants will be able to view draw results online within two weeks after the application period closes.

Specific hunt information for individual properties can be found by visiting on.IN.gov/reservedhunt.

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Kudos, Kicks & Karats



Oh what a week this past one was. I have learned I can break stuff, wreck stuff, spend money and run a marathon and I'm living to tell about it. Well actually it's been a few week so my year really hasn't started out too great.

The last snow fall we had I was at work getting ready to leave and got into the Jeepuck (Jeep truck) as my daughter calls it, and did not see anyone parked behind me, which it is hard to see over the top of the Jeep. I had to navigate around the dumpster and the UPS truck so I put it in reverse and just as I seen the car behind me, I hit the brakes and slid in the snow and hit the car in the front end. Now there wasn't a mark on my steel bumper, but the cars grill was broke, long story short I spent about \$1400.00 in repairs, thank god my deductible was only \$500.00.

Next, I fried my microwave. You know one of those big ones that go over the range that takes 3 men and a boy to put it in. Yep it took three of us to get it out and three of us to put it in which I got to say it was easier the second time around than it was the first time with the original microwave. But I got a real good deal on this one and it was, believe it or not, the same size to the tee and the same brand almost identical to the one I had. This one has more power so hopefully I don't burn John's supper in it. The way life is around here lately, I'm pretty sure I could do it.

Then I decide to do my taxes, well we will just leave it at that. One big ugh!! File them, send the check and move on. Been on the move all week trying to get taxes done, meetings in, important stuff done. Just thankful I don't have to do overtime at work or I would be in a straight jacket. But if I do need the jacket make sure it's a pretty pink one with lots of sparkles. Lol I told mom the other day after explaining my escapades that if I keep going, I'll be the next one going to Richmond (mental hospital) Lol!!!

And then....they closed my bank and that has been another story. So now, like most people, I have to change banks, which was my better option.

But a few weeks ago my debit card got hacked, so 1. I have been without a debit card, 2. They forgot to reissue me a card and was resolved very quickly after inquiry. You don't realize how much you use that little card in your wallet till you don't have one that works. One good thing was I did save some money since I couldn't spend it. Lol

Then the devil struck again only this time he really hit me hard. I forgot to put my new phone's virus protection on and yep you guessed it, I got the virus. I was already upset that I forgot to put on the virus protection, but really upset when I seen what the hackers were sending me, trust me it was not pretty by any means. So please be sure you always put your

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 Worship..... 10:30 a.m.
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 Sunday Worship..... 10:30a.m.
 Thursday Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

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 Sunday School9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:15 a.m.
 Wed Bible Study 6:00 p.m.

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 11044 E 200 N, Marion, IN
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 Sunday Worship..... 10:30 am
 Sunday School Classes9:30 am
 Sunday Adult Bible Study..... 6:00 pm
 Thurs. Bible Study7:00 pm

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AREA NEWS

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Spring turkey hunts on Division of Fish & Wildlife properties:

- * Atterbury Fish & Wildlife Area
- * Aukiki Wetland Conservation Area
- * Crosley Fish & Wildlife Area
- * Deer Creek Fish & Wildlife Area
- * Fairbanks Landing Fish & Wildlife Area
- * Glendale Fish & Wildlife Area
- * Goose Pond Fish & Wildlife Area
- * Hillenbrand Fish & Wildlife Area
- * Hovey Lake Fish & Wildlife Area
- * J.E. Roush Lake Fish & Wildlife Area
- * Jasper-Pulaski Fish & Wildlife Area
- * Kingsbury Fish & Wildlife Area
- * LaSalle Fish & Wildlife Area
- * Pigeon River Fish & Wildlife Area
- * Sugar Ridge Fish & Wildlife Area
- * Tri-County Fish & Wildlife Area
- * Willow Slough & Wildlife Area
- * Winamac Fish & Wildlife Area

Spring turkey hunts on National Wildlife Refuges:

- * Big Oaks National Wildlife Refuge
- * Muscatatuck National Wildlife Refuge (Muscatatuck National Wildlife Refuge also has a youth spring turkey hunt reserved draw. The application for the youth hunt is open Feb. 15 – March 12.)

Spring turkey hunts on State Parks-managed lakes:

- * Mississinewa Lake
- * Salamonie Lake

Only one application per hunt is allowed. No changes can be made once an application is submitted.

The application process is now consolidated into the

online services website along with licenses, CheckIN Game, and HIP registration. An online account is not required to apply, but a Customer ID number is needed.

In the online system, hunts without a registration fee will follow the same process as hunts with a fee. To register for hunts with no required fee, applicants will still use these prompts: "Add to Cart," "Proceed to Checkout," and "Place Order." If the transaction total is \$0, the applicant will not be asked to enter credit card information. Applicants must place the order to submit their application.

To view draw results, applicants can log into their online services account or click "View results" at on.IN.gov/reservedhunt.

Applicants should select "click here" under the heading "Reserved Hunts" to see the status of registered hunts. The link will only show upcoming hunts that an individual has registered for. Logging into an account online is required to see the full history of reserved hunt registrations.

More information on reserved turkey hunting is available at on.IN.gov/reservedhunt.

STEAL THE FLAG

by Daris Howard
February is Scout Month, and it always brings back fond memories of my time as a scoutmaster. We live near a lot of wonderful natural beauty, and we spent a lot of time camping.

One particular winter weekend, my assistant, Rod, and I took fourteen boys and went camping down by the river. Nights are long and days are short in the winter, so there weren't a lot of hours of light left by the time we reached the campsite. The boys were planning a big game of steal the flag.

"There are about two hours of daylight left," I told them. "If you hurry and set up camp, you could have most of it to play."

"Setting up camp is boring," Gordy complained. "Why don't we play steal the flag first?"

"Because you won't get camp set up," I said. "We've been there before, and that's why we have the rules we do. Just work fast."

My encouragement seemed to fall on deaf ears. For the next couple of hours, I heard nothing but complaining while the light faded quickly away.

I had food ready to eat long before they finished setting up the camp. When we finished eating, we had to clean up before they could

do anything else. Again, they spent more time complaining than working. We just finished when the moon came out, and it was beautiful. It reflected on the snow and made the evening about as light as the early part of a sunrise.

"I know," Mort said, "let's do a moonlight game of steal the flag."

"And when we get done," Devin said, "we can tell ghost stories around the campfire."

I didn't relish the thought of being up most of the night trying to make sure the boys stayed out of trouble, but I had an idea.

"If you guys expect me to tell ghost stories, we probably better do it first."

Rod looked at me and smiled as if he knew I had something up my sleeve. The boys told a few mildly scary stories, then it was my turn. I

didn't know many ghost stories. The boys thought I did, but I always made them up as I went along. I was just about to start when we heard a coyote howl. Then we heard another, and another. Though the coyotes weren't foolish enough to come near our camp, the boys joked about it.

One boy smacked another one. "I bet you'll be too chicken to play steal the flag, now."

I could see the perfect opening, so I started my story.

"Years ago, there were a group of scouts who decided to play steal the flag in the middle of the night. There were fourteen of them. They had heard the coyotes howl, but coyotes aren't that big, so no one was scared. But the scoutmaster said, 'I'm not sure that's a coyote. Listen to

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Community Calendar

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Mar 1	Noon	W - Chamber of Commerce Luncheon @ KBC
Mar 1	7:00p	V - Town Council Meeting @ Town Hall
Mar 13	6:00p	W - Town Council @ Assembly Hall
Mar 14	6:30p	W - SSF Meeting @ KBC
Mar 15	7:00p	V - Town Council @ Assembly Hall
Mar 17		ST PATRICK'S DAY
Mar 20		First Day of Spring!!!!
Mar 20	6:30p	W - KBC Board Meeting @ KBC
Apr 5	Noon	W - Chamber of Commerce Luncheon @ KBC

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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the way the sound seems to come from all directions at once, and it's deep, growly, and eerie.'

"But the boys didn't listen. None of them wanted to be thought of as chicken. They set up their flags, a blue one on one end, and a red one on the other. As they played, the coyote sound continued echoing all around them and grew louder. The scoutmaster was sitting by the fire, and he realized that the shouts from the boys had faded away, and the coyote sound had disappeared. He wondered if the boys had gone to bed.

"He took his flashlight and went to see where the boys were. They weren't in their tents. He found no boys, but he did find the flags, each torn into seven strips, flapping from the trees. He searched all night, and he didn't see any sign of the boys, but he did see fourteen pairs of fire-red eyes staring at him from the brush.

"The next morning, he found prints that looked like human hands, with long claws at the end of the fingers."

Mort's voice quivered as he asked, "What kind of prints were they?"

"All I know," I replied, "is that werewolves are supposed to make that kind of track."

Gordy yawned and stretched. "You know, guys, I'm really tired. What say we go to bed and play steal the flag tomorrow?"

They all readily agreed, and soon the camp was quiet, except for Rod's chuckling and the howl of coyotes in the distance.

(Daris Howard, award-winning, syndicated columnist, playwright, and author, can be contacted at daris@darishoward.com; or visit his website at <http://www.darishoward.com>, to buy his books.)

TAKE THESE 6 STEPS TO MANAGE YOUR BLOOD PRESSURE

(StatePoint) High blood pressure, also known as hypertension, affects nearly half of adults in the United States, and only about 1 in 4 with this condition have it under control, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Hypertension can be dangerous and in many cases, fatal. In 2020, it was a primary or contributing cause of more than 670,000 deaths nationwide. Medical experts say that controlling your blood pressure is possible and it starts with having the right information.

"Nearly half of all American adults have high blood pressure, and many don't even know it. High blood

pressure is a 'silent killer,' often having no overt symptoms, but increases the likelihood of heart attack, stroke and other serious health risks. I urge you to know your numbers and make the simple lifestyle changes that can help you control your blood pressure and live a long and healthy life," says Jack Resneck Jr., M.D., president of the American Medical Association (AMA).

To get on the right track, consider these tips and insights from the AMA:

1. Know your numbers. Hypertension is diagnosed when your systolic blood pressure is greater than 130 mmHg or your average diastolic blood pressure is greater than 80 mmHg. Visit ManageYourBP.org to better understand your numbers.

2. Monitor blood pressure. Once you learn your blood pressure numbers, take and keep regular records using an at-home blood pressure monitor. For an accurate reading, the CDC says to sit with your back supported for 5 minutes before starting and wait at least 30 minutes after drinking or eating a meal. You should also avoid stimulants for at least 30 minutes beforehand, as the CDC says that smoking and drinking alcohol or caffeine can elevate your blood pressure. If you take medication for hypertension, measure your blood pressure before your dose. Share your numbers with your health care provider.

3. Eat right. Reduce your intake of processed foods,

especially those with added sodium and sugar. Eat less red meat and processed meats, and add more plant-based foods, such as vegetables, fruits, nuts, seeds and olive oil to your diet. Also, reduce your consumption of sugar-sweetened beverages and drink more water instead. Drinking sugary beverages, even 100% fruit juices, is associated with a higher all-cause mortality risk, according to a study published in JAMA Network Open.

4. Drink alcohol only in moderation. If consuming alcohol, do so in moderation as defined by the U.S. Dietary Guidelines for Americans -- up to one drink per day for women and two drinks per day for men, and only by adults of legal drinking age.

5. Be more physically active. Do at least 150 minutes a week of moderate-intensity activity, or 75 minutes a week of vigorous-intensity activity. Be sure to include a mix of cardiovascular exercise, strength training and flexibility. Obtain guidance from your doctor if you aren't sure if it is safe for you to exercise.

6. Maintain a healthy weight. If you are overweight, losing as little as 5 to 10 pounds may help lower your blood pressure. Consult your doctor about safe ways to maintain a healthy weight.

"Unmanaged hypertension can have life-altering consequences," says Dr. Resneck. "The good news is that there are many ways you

can take control of your blood pressure and your health."

HOW TO BE A PET PARENT ON A BUDGET

(StatePoint) Whether you are a first-time or veteran pet owner, being a pet parent can be expensive. From daily needs like food, treats and toys to medicines, the costs can add up.

To help stretch your budget, the experts at Dollar General are providing cost-friendly ways to provide for your pet:

Food to Fuel Your Furry Friend

Fueling your pet with nutritious food doesn't have to break your budget. By stocking up on options available exclusively at select retailers, you can feed your furry family member affordably. For example, Nature's Menu is available only at Dollar General and offers dog and cat food free from artificial colors, flavors or preservatives. Their dry pet food products also include pre and probiotics to support healthy digestion, along with added vitamins, minerals and other trace nutrients and a money-back satisfaction guarantee.

Hygiene How-To

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CHANDLER

Sharon Chandler, 77, of Muncie, passed away on Thursday, Feb. 9, 2023.

She was born on July 6, 1945, in Marion to Verneice Kent and Ferman Chandler.

Sharon worked at United Magazine Company as a district manager for most of her life. This job opportunity let her travel all over Indiana, Michigan, Hawaii and Guam.

She also worked at Erma's Restaurant, Marion, and Little Italy, Marion.

Sharon was a lifetime member of Amvets.

She graduated from Van Buren High School.

Sharon was a phenomenal cook and enjoyed making delicious meals for her family and friends.

She was a proud survivor of breast cancer.

Sharon enjoyed crocheting afghans.


Most of all, she loved her kids, grandkids, nieces, nephews and all her great-nieces and great-nephews.

Sharon will be fondly remembered by her two children, Tiffany Chandler and Tony Chandler; her grandsons, Chase Chandler, Gabe Garber and Andrew Chandler; sisters, Martha Lara, of Muncie, and Patty Perry, of Marion; brothers, Frank (Cathy) Chandler, of Marion, and Pete Guarneri, of Marion; step father, Victor Kent, of Marion; seven nieces and nephews that loved her greatly, Skip Koons, Luann Koons, Scott (Heather) Koons, Rick (Cathy) Koons, Heather (Mike) Morrison, David (Jennifer) Martin and Devon Perry; plus all their children that she babysat frequently.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her brother, Elvin Chandler.

A Celebration of Life will be at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 18, 2023, at Amvets, 705 W. 37th St., Marion. Feel free to bring a dish and plenty of stories.

BANTER

 James "Jim" Dale Banter, 80, of Eaton, and former Hartford City resident, passed away at his home in Eaton unexpectedly on Friday evening, Feb. 10, 2023, of natural causes.

Born in Van Buren on June 16, 1942, he attended schools there.

Jim was a proud veteran of the United States Army, serving during the Vietnam War, receiving the Vietnam Service Medal with two Bronze Stars.

He married Diana L. Litteral on November 20, 1981. They celebrated over 35 years of marriage, prior to her passing on January 1, 2017.

Jim retired from Dana Corporation, Marion, after 32 years of employment.

He was a long-time member of Apostolic Tabernacle, Hartford City, where he served as deacon, elder and head usher.

In recent years, Jim attended Victory Temple, Muncie. He was most proud of the head usher's position. Jim was always there in that usher's position, as the 'first shepherd' to receive visitors to his church. He was present for almost every funeral, serving as that "extra help" for the funeral homes having services in his church.

He leaves his son, Tony (Laura) Banter, of Hartford City; daughter, Sarah (Tim) Shelford, of Hartford City; five grandchildren, Brandon Banter, Jordan Banter, Ashley Brumback, Cody Alexander and Ciara Harden; five great-grandchildren, Austin Brumback, Pacey Brumback, Foster Brumback, Lillian Cox and Navy Alexander; three half-brothers, Lonnie Littrell, Marvin Littrell and Daryl Littrell.

Preceding Jim in death, in addition to his wife, his father, Archie "Arch" Littrell, his mother and step-father, Sarah E. Banter and Lawrence Welch, and a half-sister, Mary Littrell.

Funeral service will be at noon on Saturday, Feb. 18, 2023, in Apostolic Tabernacle,

1318 S. Jefferson St., Hartford City, with Pastor Rick Bowen presiding and the Rev. Clyde Wallace assisting.

Burial with military rites by the United States Army and Delaware County Veterans Organization will follow at Van Buren Masonic Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 3 to 7 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 17, 2023, at Waters Funeral Home, 501 W. Washington St., Hartford City, and at the church on Saturday from 11 a.m. to noon.

Memorials may be made to Victory Temple, 3708 W. 26th St., Muncie, IN 47302 or Apostolic Tabernacle, 1318 S. Jefferson St., Hartford City, IN 47348.

COLBART

Linda Sue Colbart, 83, of Warren, passed away at 4:08 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 11, 2023, at her residence.

She was born on June 4, 1939, in Marion, the daughter of Norman Pinkerton and Doris (Reynolds) Pinkerton. Linda graduated from Waterloo High School with the Class of 1957.

She married P. Douglas Colbart on October 18, 1959, in Waterloo. He preceded her in death on August 15, 2009.

Linda worked at First National Bank as a bank teller for 20 years and she also worked for 13 years as a deputy clerk for Huntington County Clerk's Office from where she retired.

She loved spending time with her family, crocheting, scrap booking and basket weaving.

Survivors include her three sons, David (Deniece) Colbart, of Huntington, Dennis (Ena) Colbart, of Columbia City, and Darrin (Connie) Colbart, of Fort Wayne; four brothers, Donald (Rusty) Pinkerton, of Garrett, Dewane (Debbie) Pinkerton, of Medford, Ore., Phillip (Jeanne) Pinkerton, of Auburn, and Alvin Pinkerton, of Auburn; sister, Carol (Frank) Forbes, of Ormond Beach, Fla.; four grandchildren, Jamie Johnston, Joshua Prochaska,

Madison Colbart and Maecey Colbart; three great-grandchildren, Alyssa Johnston, Erin Johnston and Mackenzie Anderson.

Linda is preceded in death by her Husband, P. Douglas Colbart, father, Norman Pinkerton, and mother, Doris Pinkerton.

Per Linda's request, no services will be conducted.

Preferred memorials may be made in memory of Linda to the choice of the donor in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 W. Park Dr., Huntington, IN, 46750.

COWGILL

Tony Lee Cowgill, 65, of Hartford City, passed away on Monday Feb. 13, 2023, at his residence.

He was born in Marion on December 22, 1957, to Ted Lee Cowgill and Shirley J. (Grose) Cowgill. His parents preceded him in death.

Tony graduated from Eastbrook High School, Marion, in 1976, where he played football for the Eastbrook Panthers.

He retired in January of 2023 from New Indy Containerboard, Hartford City, where he had worked as a boiler operator for the past 34-plus years.

Tony was a member of Sons of the American Legion Post #159, Hartford City.

He was an avid golfer and those who knew him would agree that he loved spending his day on the golf course.

Tony enjoyed drinking beer and was an avid IU Fan.

He was a people person and it was a guarantee if Tony was in the room, someone was smiling and laughing.

Tony could be loud, outspoken and a little sarcastic; he was one of a kind.

He had a huge heart and he loved his kids and grandkids with everything he had.

Tony's smile was infectious and it grew even bigger when he talked about his family. He made friends easily and those who knew Tony will never forget his smile, his laugh and his friendly greeting.

Tony was an animal lover and truly loved his four-legged friend, Rizzo.

He will be sadly missed by his children, Shane A. (wife, Barbara A.) Cowgill, of Hartford City, and Kendal K. (wife, Hannah) Hattery, of Columbia City; grandchildren, Gemma Cowgill, Kyesen Cowgill, Minx Cowgill and Riggs Cowgill; siblings, Teresa "Terri" (husband, Frank) Hall, of Hartford City, Troy (wife, Michelle) Cowgill, of Haslett, Mich., and Todd Cowgill, of Upland; cousin, Brian Cowgill, of Marion; friends, Larry and Jennifer Strait, of Hartford City, and Anne Baker Owen, of Hartford City; several nieces and nephews.

Funeral service will be at 6 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 17, 2023, at Keplinger Funeral Home, 509 N. High St., Hartford City, with the Rev. Phil Freel officiating.

Visitation will be from 2 to 6 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 17, 2023, at the funeral home. Tony will be cremated.

HARTMAN

Marvin E. Hartman, 90, of Warren, IN, (Chester Twp. Wells Co.)



passed away at 1:00 PM on Monday, February 13, 2023 at IU Health Blackford Hospital in Hartford City, IN.

He was born on Thursday, October 27, 1932, in Portland, IN. He married Nina Marie (Coleman) Hartman on Tuesday, November 20, 1951 in Jay County, IN. Marvin attended Pennville High School. He spent his early years in the Pennville area. He retired from DANA Corp. after 38 years of service. Marvin enjoyed gardening, tinkering with his old case tractor, being outdoors, shooting guns, and above all spending time with his family and grandchildren.

He will be sadly missed by his Sons - David D. (Kathy) Hartman, Camby, IN, Larry G. (Sheryl) Hartman, Poneto, IN, Aaron Hartman, Warren, IN,

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Daughter - Debra Bowen, Van Buren, IN, Sister - Eva Coleman, Traverse City, MI, Brothers - Thurl Hartman, Traverse City, MI, John Hartman, Traverse City, MI, Lowell Hartman, Berne, IN, 7 Grandchildren, and 9 Great Grandchildren.

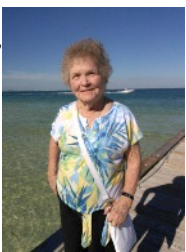
He was preceded in death by his Wife - Nina Marie (Coleman) Hartman, Father - Ralph Hartman, Mother - Violet (Ziegler) Hartman, Brother - Dewayne Hartman, Brother - Raymond Hartman, Sister - Karen Matney, Brother - Dean Hartman, and Brother - Charles Hartman.

Family and friends may gather to share and remember at Walker & Glancy Funeral Home 109 W Windsor St Montpelier on Sunday, February 19, 2023 from 2:00 PM to 6:00 PM and from 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM at Walker & Glancy Funeral Home on Monday, February 20, 2023.

A service to celebrate Marvin's life will be at Walker & Glancy Funeral Home at 1:00 PM on Monday, February 20, 2023 with Pastor Mark Atkinson officiating. Interment will follow in the Brookside Memorial Park in Montpelier.

MAHONEY

Alta "Bee" Mahoney, 90 of Marion, Indiana, passed away on Tuesday, February 14,



2023, at Wyndmoor of Marion.

Bee was born on August 2, 1932, in Marion, Indiana to Emmett and Zetta (Swift) Woodcock, and was the oldest of 11 siblings. She was married to Russell Mahoney who preceded her in death in 2017. Bee was a fun-loving woman who had no trouble making friends. She loved to laugh and dance, or "twist". She enjoyed getting on the CB radio, laying in the sun, and camping. She loved her family and her precious dog, Ginger.

Bee was preceded in death by her parents, Emmett and

Zetta Woodcock, husband, Russell Mahoney, children, Steve Crabtree and Tonya Crabtree, and siblings, John Woodcock, James Woodcock, Janet Pridavka, and Charles Fenwick.

Loving survivors include her children, Jimmy Crabtree of Texas, Jeff Crabtree of Louisiana, Sharon Mahoney of Lancaster, Indiana, and Lisa Solomon of Decatur, Indiana, 10 grandchildren, 19 great grandchildren, and siblings, William Woodcock of Marion, Patricia (Bud) Smith of Huntington, Sue Wood of Virginia, Lee Fenwick of Marion, and Roger Fenwick of Virginia.

Family and friends may gather to share and remember at Glancy-H. Brown & Son Funeral Home located at 203 N. Matilda St. Warren, IN 46792, on Saturday, February 25, 2023, from 1:00PM to 3:00PM. A funeral service will begin at 3:00PM with Pastor Mel Zumbrun officiating.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to: Glaucoma Research Foundation by visiting <https://getinvolved.glaucoma.org/donate>

COLE

Scott D. Cole, 51, of Huntington, passed away at 5:22 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 14, 2023, at residence.

He was born on March 16, 1971, in Marion, the son of Lloyd Cole and Rita (Draper) Steele.

Scott graduated from Huntington North High School with Class of 1989.

He earned an associate degree in diesel technology from University of Northwestern (Lima) Ohio.

Scott was a self-employed diesel mechanic his whole adult life.

He was a member of American Legion Post #85, Huntington, and Life Church, Huntington.

Scott enjoyed going camping and taking weekend trips to new places with Renee. He was a faithful Chicago Bears Fan, avid sport spectator and an amazing

coach to his kids when they were young.

Scott was a hard worker and blessed to have the dream job of doing what he loved, which was working on cars.

He liked to hang out with his sister and friends down at Brockhaus Bar & Grill, Huntington.

Scott had the ability to make others feel important and he would stop whatever he was doing to help someone else out.

His favorite title was Papa Scott, and his four grandkids meant the world to him. Scott was a devoted family man and was passionate about spending time with those he loved.

His solid foundation and compassion for others will live on through the hearts he touched.

Scott is survived by his mother, Rita (Larry) Steele, of Jonesboro; loving companion of 20 years, Renee Harris, of Huntington; three daughters, Kirsten (Chad Myers) Cole, of Huntington, Kennedy Harris, of Huntington, and Bailey Harris, of Huntington; two sons, Ryan (Wayne Glass) Cole, of New York, N.Y., and Maxwell (Cadence Crouse) Harris, of Warren; three sisters, Rachael (Rod) Brockhaus, of Huntington, Kristie Johnson, of Huntington, and Penny Lambert, of Ohio; brother, Harold Steele, of Huntington; grandmother, Irma Jean Draper, of Marion; four grandchildren, Jordan, Skyler, Lillian, Penelope; an unborn granddaughter, Roslyn.

He is preceded in death by father, Lloyd Lee Cole Jr., grandfather, William Draper, cousin, Adam Keith, and uncle, David Draper.

Visitation will be from 3 to 7 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 17, 2023, at Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 W. Park Dr., Huntington.

Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 17, 2023, at Bailey-Love Mortuary with Pastor Mike Hill officiating.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be given toward final expenses in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35

W. Park Dr., Huntington, IN 46750.

WELTY

Philip E. Welty, 70 of Huntington County, Indiana, passed away



on Tuesday, February 14, 2023 at his home in rural Huntington County.

Phil was born on February 3, 1953, to Lawrence and Wanda (Taylor) Welty in Wabash, Indiana. Phil liked to fish and hunt. He was a well known fur buyer for more than 40 years. He was the owner/operator of Gunner's Trading Post in Wabash, Indiana which he ran until 2010. Phil was a world champion coon hunter and folks would often marvel at his hunting dogs. A wonderful coach, he coached many sports, including baseball, softball, basketball and football. Phil was a caring person and would support anyone in the community he could.

Phil was preceded in death by his parents, Lawrence and Wanda Welty, sister, Judy Stephens, and grandson, Little Andy Welty.

Loving survivors include his wife of 47 years, Karen Welty of Huntington, children, Angela (Marion) Mooberry of Warren, IN, Andy (Danielle Wheat) Welty of Huntington, IN, Amy (Drew) Glancy of Bluffton, IN, grandchildren, twins Kennan and Colton Mooberry, Keana (Ronald) Comer III, Trey Glancy, Carrie Hamilton, Cassie Hamilton, CJ Vebert, Rachel (Chris) Brown, Stephen (Amber) Mooberry, great grandchildren, Magnolia Comer, and Everlly Manlove, sister, Diana (David) Shenefield of Huntington, IN, and brother-in-law Bob Stephens of Arizona.

Friends and family may gather to share and remember at Glancy-H. Brown & Son Funeral Home located at 203 N Matilda Warren, IN 46792 on Wednesday, February 22, 2023 from 4PM to 8PM. A

funeral service will be held at Warren United Church of Christ, 202 E 2nd St Warren, IN 46792 on Thursday, February 23, 2023 at 11AM with one hour of visitation before the service. Pastor Troy Drayer will be officiating. Entombment will follow at Gardens of Memory in Marion, Indiana.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to: Riley Children's Foundation, 500 N. Meridian Street, Suite 100 Indianapolis, IN 46204

BARR

Noah Thomas Barr was born asleep February 15, 2023.

He is an example of the value of life, love, and time. He will be missed by his Father and Mother Clay and Cheyenne (Sills) Barr. His brothers Micah and Granger, and sister Briar. Also by many grandparents, great grandparents, aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Please consider donating to the Southern Wells Community Church Youth Program in Noah's name.

Genesis 3:19

By the sweat of your brow you will have food to eat until you return to the ground from which you were made. For you were made from dust and to dust you shall return.

Psalms 139:13-18

You made all the delicate inner parts of my body and knit me together in my mother's womb. Thank you for making me so wonderfully complex! Your workmanship is marvelous. How well I know it. You watched me as I was being formed in utter seclusion, as I was woven together in the dark of the womb. You saw me before I was born. Everyday of my life was recorded in your book. Every moment was laid out before a single day had passed.

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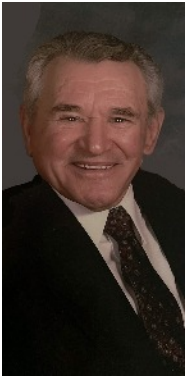
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KRATZER

Darl Wayne Kratzer, 95, of Warren, IN, passed away on Thursday February 16, 2023.



Darl was born on March 18, 1927, in Kokomo, IN to Orval and Dorothy (Hartman) Kratzer. He married Loretta Ann Armfield on March 18, 1955, in Kokomo, IN and spent 66 wonderful years with her.

Darl served as a sergeant in the U.S. Army during the Korean War, from 1951 to 1953, on heavy mortars in the 23rd infantry regiment. During his service, he earned the Combat Infantry Badge, Korean Service Medal with two bronze service stars and the United Nations Service Medal. He was a member of the VFW and the American Legion.

From being in the fields with horses, to using four-wheel drive tractors, Darl was a lifelong farmer. He believed in working hard and playing hard. He loved life. Darl and Loretta took many wonderful vacations with family and friends, always returning with great stories and memories as well as new formed friendships. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, sports, gardening and music. He also enjoyed time spent playing cards with family and friends. Family was very important to Darl. That same family is very proud of and grateful to him and will miss him tremendously.

Darl was preceded in death by his wife, Loretta, his parents, Orval and Dorothy, and his brother, Burl.

Loving survivors include sons: Gary (Marsha K) Kratzer of La Fontaine, IN, Greg (Marsha D) Kratzer of Warren, IN, David (Pam) Kratzer of Marion, IN, and Dean (Diane) Kratzer of Warren, IN, 14 grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren.

Friends and family may gather to share and remember at Glancy-H. Brown & Son Funeral Home located at 203 N. Matilda St. Warren, IN on Thursday February 23, 2023 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. A funeral service will be held on Friday February 24, 2023 at 11 a.m. with one hour of visitation prior to service. Pastor Zack Working will be officiating.

Burial will follow at Kokomo Zion U.M.C. Cemetery located at 5051 Co. Rd. E. 400 N. Kokomo, IN 46901 with military rites performed by V.F.W. Post 1152 out of Kokomo.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

DOVERSBERGER

Debra "Debbie" A. Ledbetter, 71, of Warren, passed away at 6:15 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 20, 2023, at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne.



She was born on June 22, 1951, in Huntington to Richard Doversberger and Jacqueline (Stroup) Huffman.

Debbie was a 1969 graduate of Huntington North High School and attended Indiana University, Bloomington, for college.

She formerly worked at Wagon Wheel, Warren, and Ugalde's, Warren.

Debbie was a past president and member of Tri Kappa Kappa.

She enjoyed reading in her free time.

Loving survivors include her sister, Cynthia Cheney, of Macon, Ga.; step sisters Christine (John) Wearly and Nannette Huffman; step

brothers, Phillip L. Huffman and Paul D. Huffman; two nieces; two nephews.

Debbie was preceded in death by her parents, step dad, George K. Huffman, and step brother, James M. Huffman.

Family and friends may gather to share and remember at Glancy - H. Brown & Son Funeral Home, 203 N Matilda St., Warren, on Sunday, Feb. 26, 2023, from 2 to 6 p.m.

A service to celebrate Debbie's life will be at Glancy - H. Brown & Son Funeral Home at 1 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 26, 2023.

Burial will follow in Masonic Cemetery, Warren.

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virus protection on your phone. It was an easy fix so far and I am so glad.

So this week, I am gonna stand my ground and if the devil wants to start it with me, I am ready, cause he's not gonna win!! Lol

On a good note John has a doctors appointment with a surgeon's assistant in hopes we can get him some relief from his pain. So if you can send a little prayer for us, it would be great and very much appreciated. I just wish I could make his pain all go away, he's got a lot of the pain he had before under control but there is always something else that rears its ugly head. So hopefully he can have surgery and get it all fixed. It will be a long haul but we are both ready for it to be better.

Have a great week and enjoy that warm weather that has been visiting us, I have loved every ounce of it. I am so excited for spring to be back soon. So whether it roars in or quiet like a lamb, it's gonna be here to stay soon.

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