

# OBITUARIES/NEWS

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## INDIANAPOLIS

### Jean (Holman) Babb

Jean (Holman) Babb, 83, of Indianapolis, passed away Sunday, Jan. 1, 2006.

Jean was born May 20, 1922, to George and Wilma Holman, who preceded her in death.

She was a former longtime resident of Morgantown.

She was a retired teacher from Franklin, Clark-Pleasant and Switzerland County school systems.

She graduated from Franklin College and received a master's degree from Butler University. She also received a reading specialist license from Indiana University.

She was a member of Beech Grove Baptist Church in Trafalgar.

Because of her love for education, she has donated her body to the Anatomical Education Program at Indiana University.

Survivors include her son, Philip A. Babb of Morgantown; and daughter, Beverly McIntosh of Indianapolis; and a grandson, Kyle R. McIntosh, who is teaching in China.

A memorial service will be conducted at a later date.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Alpha Funeral Service in Indianapolis.

## INDIANAPOLIS

### Herbert F. Cooksey

Herbert F. Cooksey, 81, died Monday, Jan. 2, 2006. He was a resident of Indianapolis.

Survivors include his wife, Thelma "Artie" Cooksey; a son, William J. Cooksey; a sister, Helen Luse; four grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and seven great-great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, William and Zora Cooksey; and a son, Samuel Donahue.

A service will be conducted at 10 a.m. Thursday at G.H. Herrmann Madison Avenue Funeral Home, 5141 Madison Ave. in Indianapolis. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home. Burial will be at Maple Grove Cemetery in Brookville.

## TRAFALGAR

### Philip Gentry

Philip Gentry, 76, passed away Sunday, Jan. 1, 2006, at Homeview Nursing Home in Franklin. He was a longtime resident of Trafalgar.

Franklin  
Edwin Dale Gridley, 77  
Greenwood  
Mary Margaret Hampton, 82  
New Whiteland  
Robert C. "Bobby" Main, 53  
Trafalgar  
Philip Gentry, 76  
Indianapolis  
Jean Babb, 83  
Herbert F. Cooksey, 81  
Elsewhere  
Isaiah Allan Tutor, 3 months  
Elizabeth "Bets" Vandy, 88

He was born July 8, 1929, in South Bend to the late Clem and Dorothy Mae (Muncie) Gentry.

He married Phyllis (Stancombe) Gentry on Feb. 10, 1956. She survives. Other survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Rhonda Gaile and James Hester of Trafalgar; a son and daughter-in-law, the Rev. Randall Philip "Randy" and Dara Gentry of Aledo, Ill.; a brother, the Rev. Andrew Thomas Gentry of Orlando, Fla.; and four grandchildren, Brittani Nicole Hester of Trafalgar, Brooklynn Renae Hester of Trafalgar, and Abigail Elizabeth Gentry and Philip Randall Gentry, both of Aledo, Ill. He was preceded in passing by a son, Kevin Philip Gentry; a sister, Helen Boughton; and two brothers, Paul Gentry and James Gentry.

He attended schools in Brazil, Ind.

He was a U.S. Army veteran of the Korean War.

He worked for 28 years for National T Grocery in Indianapolis and worked for 20 years at Indian Creek High School, retiring in 2002.

He was a member of the Franklin Church of the Nazarene, where he served on the church board as a trustee. He also was a member of Teamsters Union Local 135.

The Revs. Max Downs and Andrew Gentry will conduct a service

at 10 a.m. Thursday at the Franklin Church of the Nazarene, 140 W. Branigin Road. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at Flinn and Maguire Funeral Home, 2898 N. Morton St. in Franklin. Burial will be at Rest Haven Cemetery in Edinburgh.

Memorial contributions may be made to Franklin Church of the Nazarene, 140 W. Branigin Road, Franklin, IN 46131.

## FRANKLIN

### Edwin Dale Gridley

Heaven became a better place on Jan. 1, 2006, when Edwin Dale Gridley passed from this life to the next.

Born to Oliver Pryor and Alice Fay Gridley on April 10, 1928, in Aurora. Ed married Betty Jean Shelton on June 18, 1949, in Aurora. They moved to Franklin in 1960 where they lived until the present.

Ed was a service engineer for Diamond Power Specialty Corp. and United Conveyor Corp. for more than 30 years before starting his own consulting firm, Gridley Service, in 1987, retiring in 2004.

An avid car buff and collector, Ed was the founder and former president of Circle City Corvair Club of Indianapolis. The club presents a Gridley Award annually in his honor to the individual who contributes the most to the promotion of the Corvair.

Ed also was president of the National Corvair Truck Club and was team captain of the Corvair Division at the Hoosier Auto Show for a number of years.

Ed joins his father, Pryor, in heaven and is survived by his devoted wife of 56 years, Betty; his mother, Alice; his three sons, Eddie, Mike (Arden) and Tim (Brenda); five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

To celebrate Ed's life, family and friends are invited to the visitation from 4 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at Jessen Funeral Home, 197 E. Jefferson St. in Franklin and from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday at Rullman, Hunger, Denney Funeral Home, 219 Mechanic St. in Aurora. Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Friday at Rullman, Hunger, Denney Funeral Home, with burial to follow at Riverview Cemetery in Aurora.

## GREENWOOD

### Mary Margaret Hampton

Mary Margaret (O'Connor) Hampton, 82, of Greenwood, passed away Monday, Jan. 2, 2006.

Mary was born March 15, 1923, in Indianapolis to the late David and Matilda (Gandolfo) O'Connor.

She worked as a department clerk for 35 years for Eli Lilly and Co., retiring in 1981.

She was a member of St. Barnabas Catholic Church and Knights of Columbus Council No. 3660 Ladies Auxiliary.

She married Russell E. Hampton on Jan. 1, 1939. He preceded her in death along with her grandson, Russell James Drexler. Mary is survived by her daughters, Sally Ann Drexler, Judy Ann Buchanan, Kathleen Propes and Mary Michele Hampton; 12 grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

A Mass of Christian burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Friday at St. Barnabas Catholic Church. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday at Daniel F. O'Riley Funeral Home, 6107 S. East St. in Indianapolis, where morning prayers will be conducted at 9:30 a.m. Friday. Burial will be at Forest Lawn Memory Gardens in Greenwood.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Barnabas Church, 8300 Rahke Road, Indianapolis, IN 46217-4951; or Ovar'coming Together, 3050 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis, IN 46208.

## NEW WHITELAND

### Robert C. "Bobby" Main

Robert C. "Bobby" Main departed this life on Sunday, Jan. 1, 2006, at St. Francis Hospital in Beech Grove. He was a resident of New Whiteland.

He was born June 6, 1952, in Louisville, Ky.

He was a longtime employee for Singer Sewing Machine Co.

He enjoyed fishing, golfing and spending time with his family and friends.

He was truly loved and will be greatly missed.

He was preceded in death by his parents, William A. and Norma L.



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Main; and a brother, William A. Main Jr. He is survived by a sister, Charlotte Fulkerson; a nephew, Nathaniel Fulkerson; a niece, Veronica Price; a great-niece; and a great-nephew.

A memorial ceremony to celebrate his life will be announced at a future date.

## ASHLAND, Wis.

### Isaiah Allan Tutor

Isaiah Allan Tutor, 3 months, passed away Saturday, Dec. 31, 2005, at St. Mary's Medical Center in Duluth, Minn.

Isaiah was born Sept. 27, 2005, in Ashland, Wis., the son of Paul A. and Amanda J. (Munchel) Tutor.

Survivors include his parents, Paul and Amanda Tutor of Ashland, Wis.; maternal grandparents, Darrell and Carol Munchel of Franklin; paternal grandfather, Dick Tutor of Ashland, Wis.; maternal great-grandmother, Margaret Fendley of Martinsville; and maternal great-grandparents, William and Janette Munchel of Batesville; brothers, P.J. and Craig Tutor of Ashland, Wis.; and several aunts, uncles and cousins. He was preceded in death by his paternal grandmother, Joan Tutor; paternal great-grandparents, Philip and Clara Hudack, June Lundquist and Robert Tutor; and maternal great-grandfather, Raymond Fendley.

A funeral service will be conducted at 1 p.m. Wednesday at Mountain Funeral Home, 220 Third Ave. East, in Ashland, Wis., with the Rev. Henry Willenborg, OFM, officiating. Interment will take place at St. Agnes Cemetery in Ashland, Wis. Visitation will be from 6 to 8 tonight with a prayer service at 7:30, and will continue from noon until service time Wednesday at the funeral home.

Funeral arrangements are entrusted to Mountain Funeral Home of Ashland and Mellen, Wis.

## COATESVILLE

### Elizabeth "Bets" Vandy

Elizabeth "Bets" Vandy, 88, died Saturday, Dec. 31, 2005, at Hendricks Regional Hospital in Danville. She was a resident of Coatesville.

Survivors include a son, John B. (Teresa) Vandy Jr. of Coatesville; a daughter, Rena Reed of Kentucky; six grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild. She was preceded in death by her husband, John Vandy Sr.; and a son, Billy Hinkson.

The Rev. Shan Rutherford will conduct a funeral service at 3 p.m. today at Forest Lawn Funeral Home, 1977 S. State Road 135 in Greenwood. Friends may call from 1 p.m. until service time today at the funeral home. Burial will be at Forest Lawn Memory Gardens in Greenwood.

## Obituary policy

The Daily Journal will publish free death notices for Johnson County area residents, former residents and close relatives of area residents.

A free death notice contains basic information, including details about visitation and services, memorial contributions and some survivors.

Families who want to include more information or include a photograph can purchase a custom obituary. Additional information may include memberships, employment, education and additional survivors.

The deadline for submitting obituaries to the Daily Journal is 2:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. On Sundays, the deadline is 1 p.m.

## Yackers

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that," he said. "His wife, or I guess it was his wife, tried to shush him, but that made it just more annoying."

Movie etiquette is declining. Local theaters typically refrain from stepping in unless people cause a major disruption.

But a national group is threatening to quiet down theaters, at least when it comes to cellular phones.

The National Association of Theater Owners is considering the use of cellular-blocking technology to silence cell phones in movie theaters.

The association said it must petition the Federal Communications Commission for an exemption to allow cell-jamming technology inside theaters.

Having theaters block cell phones is a good idea because few people remember to turn them off, and some people refuse to, Greenwood resident Joanne Lanie said.

Watching "Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire" was hard enough when a group of teenage girls sit-

"I can't remember which movie it was. All I remember is that guy talking on his phone the whole time. Stuff like that just ruins it."

Marcus Hallmans

Indianapolis resident

on the annoying habit some people have of forgetting to turn off their cell phones and taking calls during movies

ting in front of her could not stop commenting on differences between the movie and the book. Then one girl's cell phone rang.

"Of course they had to giggle about that and laugh like it was so funny," Lanie said.

Movies do not start playing without witty ads reminding people to turn off their cell phones and keep quiet during the film. Ads will use Muppets, cartoons or sound clips and graphics to remind moviegoers about courtesy, but those ads do not seem effective, Lanie said.

The problem is that younger generations are accustomed to watching television and movies at home, where they can talk among themselves, comment on plot or take a quick phone call, Lanie said.

People who cause disruptions in theaters are likely just acting the way they would at home, she said.

But movie tickets are too expensive and a rare venture for some people, which makes disruptions such as cell phones and conversation even more annoying, Lanie said.

She hopes movies theaters start becoming cellular dead zones soon, although some cell phone users disagree.

Movies should not have the right to block cell phones, southside Indianapolis resident Kelsey Cones said.

She takes her cell with her into the movie theater and puts it on vibrate in case someone needs to get in touch with her because of an emergency.

Cell phones in theaters should

not even be an issue, because moviegoers should be polite enough to put their cell phones on vibrate like she does, Cones said.

However, even people who put their cellular phones on vibrate can quickly become a disturbance, Hallmans said.

He remembered watching a movie at a theater once, and during the film a man nearby had to answer his phone several times and try to speak quietly into the receiver.

"I can't remember which movie it was," Hallmans said. "All I remember is that guy talking on his phone the whole time. Stuff like that just ruins it."

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