

OBITUARIES/NEWS

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MARTINSVILLE

Maurice K. Baker

Maurice K. Baker, 67, died Sunday, Feb. 4, 2007. He was a resident of Martinsville.

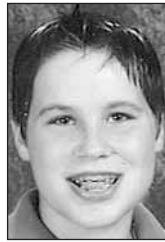
Arrangements are pending at Wilson St. Pierre Funeral Service & Crematory, Greenwood Chapel.

GREENWOOD

Jacob Allen Findley

Jacob Allen Findley, 12, of Greenwood, passed away Saturday, Feb. 3, 2007.

Jake was a student at Center Grove Middle School Central, where he was a member of the Advisory Club, the seventh-grade football team and choir.



J. FINDLEY

He was a member of Mount Pleasant Christian Church, where he was active in basketball and the middle school Core group. Jake loved sports, video games and hanging out with his friends.

Jake is survived by his parents, Chuck and Becky Findley; grandparents, Sue Winters and Dewey and Kay Findley; great-grandmother, Vera Goff; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

He preceded in death his brother and best friend, Travis.

A funeral service for Jake will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Mount Pleasant Christian Church, 381 N. Bluff Road, Greenwood, with burial to follow in Forest Lawn Memory Gardens in Greenwood. Visitation will be from 5 to 9 p.m. today at the church.

Memorial contributions may be made to Mount Pleasant Christian Church, 381 N. Bluff Road, Greenwood, IN 46142.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Forest Lawn Funeral Home.

Information: www.forestlawnmemory.com

GREENWOOD

Travis Matthew Findley

Travis Matthew Findley, 9, of Greenwood, passed away Sunday, Feb. 4, 2007.

Travis was a student at Sugar Grove Elementary School. He was a member of Mount Pleasant Christian Church, played on a traveling basketball team and in the Center Grove Little League.



T. FINDLEY

Travis loved sports, video games and hanging out with his friends.

Travis is survived by his parents, Chuck and Becky Findley; grandparents, Sue Winters and Dewey and Kay Findley; great-grandmother, Vera Goff; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his brother and best friend, Jake.

A funeral service for Travis will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Mount Pleasant Christian Church, 381 N. Bluff Road, Greenwood, with burial to follow in Forest Lawn Memory Gardens in Greenwood. Visitation will be from 5 to 9 p.m. today at the church.

Memorial contributions may be made to Mount Pleasant Christian Church, 381 N. Bluff Road, Greenwood, IN 46142.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Forest Lawn Funeral Home.

Information: www.forestlawnmemory.com

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GREENWOOD

Harold E. Ogden

Harold E. Ogden, 81, of Greenwood, passed away Sunday, Feb. 4, 2007.

He was born June 22, 1925, to James E. and Manie (Marsh) Ogden.

He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II, discharged in 1946. In August 1984, he retired from the physical plant at I.U. Medical Center as a supervisor. Harold was a member of Southern Baptist Church. He had a green thumb and loved to work in his flower garden. He was so proud of his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

The love of his life and his wife of 60 years, Doris E. (Holmes) Ogden, preceded him in death Nov. 24. His son, Mike Ogden, also preceded him in death.

Survivors include his two daughters, Sherry (Louis) McDonough and Pam (Gary) Woods; seven grandchildren, Michael, Kevin and Lucas McDonough and Brad, Chad, Angie and Devin Woods; two great-grandchildren, Ian McDonough and Aiden Woods; and four brothers, Donnie, Jim, Bill and David Ogden.

A funeral service will be conducted at 10 a.m. Thursday at G.H. Herrmann Madison Avenue Funeral Home, 5141 Madison Ave., Indianapolis. Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home. Burial will be at Greenwood Cemetery.

BEECH GROVE

Dorothy Porter

Dorothy Porter, 87, died Saturday, Feb. 3, 2007. She was a resident of Beech Grove.

Survivors include two sons, Lawrence (Beulah) Porter of Trafalgar and Edward Porter of Indianapolis; three daughters, Barbara Carver of Paragon, Evelyn (Ernie) Lapiere of Greenwood and Belinda (Tim) Martin of Beech Grove; 11 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Robert and Jennie Turpin.

A funeral service will be conducted at noon Wednesday at Flanner & Buchanan Funeral Center-Washington Park East, 10722 E. Washington St., Indianapolis. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. today at the funeral home. Burial will be at Washington Park East Cemetery in Indianapolis.

Information: www.flannerbuchanan.com

GREENWOOD

Carole Anne Rueff

Carole Anne Rueff, 63, of Greenwood, passed away Sunday, Feb. 4, 2007, at Johnson Memorial Hospital in Franklin.

She was born April 1, 1943, at St. Vincent Hospital in Indianapolis to Herschel William Gar-

ner and Dorothy Armilda Arthur Garner McClain, and they preceded her in death.

She married John R. Rueff on April 17, 1966, at Bargersville First Christian Church. She was a 1961 graduate of Center Grove High School, where she was active in sports and choir.

She was a member of Bargersville First Christian Church, where she had served as an elder, member of the church pulpit, worship committee and choir, and was chairwoman of the membership and evangelism committee and mission and outreach committee. She also had been a meal coordinator for the church. She was a member of the Cruisers class.

She had been a cafeteria cook for Douglas MacArthur Elementary School and Abraham Lincoln Elementary School in the Metropolitan School District of Perry Township from 1978 until retiring in 2001.

Survivors include her husband, John R. Rueff of Greenwood; a son, Rob W. Rueff and his wife, Wendy (Baldwin) Rueff of Franklin; four grandsons, Andrew L. Rueff, Ryan T. Rueff, Luke D. Rueff and Micah J. Rueff; a brother, Bill A. Garner and his wife, Lee, of Colorado Springs, Colo.; and a niece, Amy L. Garner White of New York.

The Rev. Roger Gifford will conduct a service at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at Bargersville First Christian Church, 101 S. East St., Bargersville. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the church. Burial will be at Second Mount Pleasant Cemetery in Franklin.

Memorial contributions may be made to Bargersville First Christian Church, 101 S. East St., Bargersville, IN 46106.

Singleton Community Mortuary and Memorial Center, 7602 Madison Ave., Indianapolis, is handling arrangements.

Information: www.singletonmortuary.com

INDIANAPOLIS

J. Clark Stuart

J. Clark Stuart, 89, died Sunday, Feb. 4, 2007. He was a resident of Indianapolis.

Survivors include a daughter, Jerri (Robert) Glant of Indianapolis; two sons, John (Neva) Stuart of Burdett, Kan., and Phillip Stuart of Madison; a sister, Mildred Reed of Greenwood; five grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Kathryn F. (Elston) Stuart; and his parents, Robert F. and Anna Clark Stuart.

A funeral service will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at Singleton Community Mortuary and Memorial Center, 7602 Madison Ave., Indianapolis. Friends may call from 11:30 a.m. until service time Wednesday at the mortuary. Entombment will be at Forest Lawn Memory Gardens in Greenwood.

Memorial contributions may be

made to Keenan-Stahl Boys and Girls Club, 1949 E. Troy Ave., Indianapolis, IN 46203.

Information: www.singletonmortuary.com

FRANKLIN

Peggy Elaine Waskom

Peggy Elaine Waskom, 78, passed away Saturday, Feb. 3, 2007, at Johnson Memorial Hospital in Franklin. She was a resident of the Indiana Masonic Home in Franklin.

She was born Nov. 1, 1928, in Detroit to Herman and Ina B. (Killet) Daniel. She married Wendell M. "Fuz" Waskom on Aug. 31, 1946. He lovingly survives.

Other survivors include two children, Janet Elaine Lovell of West Lafayette and Bill (Anne) Waskom of Iowa; four grandchildren, Kristi Elaine (Mischa) Travers of California, Dan Waskom of California, Rob Waskom of North Carolina and Sarah Waskom of Iowa; a great-granddaughter, Lindsey Elaine Travers of California; a brother, James Daniel of Illinois; and a sister, Nancy Samuels of Tennessee.

She was preceded in passing by her parents.

Peggy was a 1945 graduate of Glenn Academy in Brunswick, Ga., and a 1985 graduate of the University of Mary Washington in Fredericksburg, Va.

Peggy was a professional artist.

She was a member of St. Thomas Episcopal Church in Whiteland, was a longtime volunteer with the Red Cross, Girl Scouts of America and the Navy Relief Society, and was a charter member of the Grizzly Grandparents at Franklin College, supporting women's basketball.

The Revs. Dave Ferner and Charles Stanley will conduct a memorial service at 10 a.m. Saturday in the Ransford Chapel at the Indiana Masonic Home, 690 S. State St. in Franklin. Flinn and Maguire Funeral Home in Franklin is handling arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Indiana Masonic Home, 690 S. State St., Franklin, IN 46131.

Information: www.flinnmaguire.com

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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.

More than 70 killed across Iraq

Officials expecting surge in violence

By ROBERT H. REID

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

BAGHDAD, Iraq

Bombings and mortar attacks killed dozens across Baghdad on Monday as Iraqi troops set up new checkpoints and an Iraqi general took command — indications that the much-awaited operation to restore peace to the capital is gearing up nearly a month after it was announced.

With little sign of an end to the carnage, many Iraqis have begun complaining that the security drive has been too slow in starting, allowing extremists free rein to launch spectacular attacks that have killed nearly 1,000 in the past week.

Monday's death toll supported their frustration. At least 74 people were killed or found dead across the country — all but seven of them in Baghdad.

With so much at stake, U.S. commanders have moved methodically to plan the operation and assemble the force, eager to avoid the mistakes that accompanied two failed crackdowns last year.

The U.S. military officials said

Monday they consider the operation to have been under way ever since Bush signed the order last month to start moving troops to Iraq. U.S. officers offered assurances that once the operation gets rolling, Iraqis will begin to see a difference.

"It's going to be much more than this city has ever seen and it's going to be a rolling surge," Col. Douglass Heckman, the senior adviser to the 9th Iraqi Army Division, said of the operation.

But Iraqi politicians — Shiite and Sunni alike — urged the government to speed up implementation of the plan, which President Bush announced Jan. 11. The operation would put thousands of U.S. and Iraqi troops on the street to protect civilians against sectarian bombers and death squads.

In a sign that the crackdown is near, Iraqi troops manned a major new checkpoint Monday at the northern gate to Baghdad, searching cars and trucks heading to and from Sunni insurgent areas to the north. Soldiers and police said the checkpoint was set up as part of the security plan.

GOP blocks Senate debate over troop buildup resolution

By DAVID ESPO

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON

Republicans blocked a full-fledged Senate debate over Iraq on Monday, but Democrats vowed they still would find a way to force President Bush to change course in a war that has claimed the lives of more than 3,000 U.S. troops.



BUSH

"We must heed the results of the November elections and the wishes of the American people," said Majority Leader Harry Reid.

Reid, D-Nev., spoke moments before a vote that sidetracked a

nonbinding measure expressing disagreement with Bush's plan to deploy an additional 21,500 troops to Iraq.

The vote was 49-47, or 11 short of the 60 needed to go ahead with debate, and left the fate of the measure uncertain.

Senate Republican Leader Mitch McConnell of Kentucky described the test vote as merely a "bump in the road" and added that GOP lawmakers "welcome the debate and are happy to have it."

The political jockeying unfolded as Democrats sought passage of a measure, supported by Sen. John Warner, R-Va., that is critical of the administration's new Iraq policy. It was the first time Democrats had scheduled a sustained debate on the war since they won control over Congress in last fall's midterm elections.

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