

OBITUARIES/NEWS

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GREENWOOD

Russell E. Beecham

Russell E. Beecham, 65, passed away Monday, Feb. 19, 2007, at his residence in Greenwood.

He was born April 21, 1941, in Lawrenceburg, Tenn., to the late Eighman and Flora (Skinner) Beecham.

He is survived by his wife, Judy E. (Garrett) Beecham; two sons, Tim (Samantha) Beecham and Dan (Rhonda) Beecham; a stepson, Dan Linville; a stepdaughter, Renae McCreary; a brother, David Beecham; four sisters, Olene (Thomas) Johns, Carolyn Baldwin, Sue (Preston) Jordan and Mary Jo (Richard) Franklin; seven grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a brother, Jimmy Beecham.

Russell retired from Indianapolis Power and Light Co. after 33 years as assistant superintendent of steam operations.

Russell attended Concordia Lutheran Church. He was a member of Greenwood Masonic Lodge No. 514 F&AM.

He was a U.S. Navy veteran, having served on the USS Forrestal and USS Saratoga in Vietnam. He continued his service as a member of American Legion Post 252 and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 5864.

He enjoyed planting and harvesting his garden, and he loved being with friends. He was a loving husband and father, and he was an honest and true friend to many.

Funeral services are private. Arrangements are being handled by Jessen Funeral Home in Whiteland.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Beecham family, 791 Shady Creek Drive, Greenwood, IN 46142.

SEYMOUR, Wis.

Marshall L. Bridges

Marshall L. Bridges, 76, of Seymour, Wis., died Saturday, Feb. 17, 2007, at his home.

He was born Oct. 28, 1930, to the late George Ray and Grace (Huff) Bridges.

Marshall graduated in 1948 from Franklin High School. He married Patsy Goodwin on Dec. 11, 1953, in Franklin. He later entered the U.S. Army and was a staff sergeant in the 7th Cavalry. Following retirement from the Army, the couple moved to Colorado.

Marshall worked at Gardner Denver as a machinist and later opened Roc Docs machine shop. He operated the business until retiring and moving to Seymour, Wis., in 1997. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, building, woodworking and traveling in his RV. Marshall was a member of Seymour American Legion Post 106.

In addition to his wife, Patsy, he is survived by a son, Rick (Pat) Bridges of Seymour, Wis.; three grandchildren, Jennie, Michael and Katie; a sister, Betty Dickerson of Chesterton; and a brother, Bill (Ginnie) Bridges of Franklin.

He was preceded in death by a son, Butch; four brothers, Bob, Lewis, Raymond and Kenneth; and a sister, Louise.

Marshall was a loving husband, father and grandfather and will be sadly missed.

A service will be conducted at

EDINBURGH

Dawn D. Deem, 36

Jerry E. Downs, 66

Franklin

Joshua Stephen Jarrett, 31

Greenwood

Russell E. Beecham, 65

Roger Harold Ross, 76

Daisy Lou Young, 77

Indianapolis

Charlie A. Jennings, 64

Elsewhere

Marshall L. Bridges, 76



BEECHAM

noon Friday at Muehl-Boettcher Funeral Home, 358 S. Main St. in Seymour, Wis. Visitation will take place from 10 a.m. until service time Friday at the funeral home. Burial will be in Seymour (Wis.) City Cemetery, with military graveside rites.

Online condolences may be expressed at www.boettcherfuneralhomes.com.

EDINBURGH

Dawn D. Deem

Dawn D. Deem, 36, died Monday, Feb. 19, 2007, at Indiana Heart Hospital in Indianapolis. She was a resident of Edinburgh.

She was born April 22, 1970, in Johnson County. Her parents are Donald R. and Bonnie J. (Law) Cowan of Edinburgh. She married Steven D. Deem on Jan. 26, 1991. He survives.

She was the mother of Justin, Cody and Natasha Deem, all at home; and legal guardian of Audrea Harris, also at home. Other survivors include two brothers, Tracy and Travis Cowan, both of Edinburgh; and a sister, Jessica Johnson of Edinburgh.

She was a homemaker and attended Who So Ever Will Community Church in Edinburgh.

The Rev. Lewis Burton will conduct a service at 11 a.m. Thursday at Who So Ever Will Community Church, 623 S. Eisenhower Drive. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. today and from 10 a.m. until service time Thursday at the church. Burial will be at Rest Haven Cemetery in Edinburgh.

Eskew-Eaton Funeral Home in Edinburgh is handling arrangements.

EDINBURGH

Jerry E. Downs

Jerry E. Downs, 66, died Monday, Feb. 19, 2007, at the residence of his sister-in-law, Judy Goddard, in Columbus. He was a resident of Edinburgh.

He was born March 22, 1940, in Edinburgh. His parents were Harold and Flossie Mae (Cox) Downs. He married Wanda Lee Jones on Sept. 23, 1961. She preceded him in death March 21, 2005.

Survivors include three daughters, Lisa Brown of Edinburgh, Robin (Gary) Boswell of Elizabethtown and Dawn (Kenny) Perkins of Edinburgh; a sister, Rose Gosnell of Edinburgh; two grandsons, Adam and Tyler Brown; and a granddaughter, Brittany Boswell. He was preceded in death by a sister, Marie McFadden.

He attended Amity Baptist Church.



DEEM

He retired in 2005 after 45 years as a truck driver for Frailey Schilling in Rushville, Road Way in Indianapolis and R.O. Barber Trucking in Franklin.

He enjoyed fishing, mushroom hunting and spending time with his dog, Louie.

The Rev. Ron Ellis will conduct a graveside service at 11 a.m. Thursday at Rest Haven Cemetery in Edinburgh. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. today at Eskew-Eaton Funeral Home, 302 E. Main Cross St. in Edinburgh.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of South Central Indiana, 2626 E. 17th St., Columbus, IN 47201.

FRANKLIN

Joshua Stephen Jarrett

Joshua Stephen Jarrett, 31, died Saturday, Feb. 17, 2007, at his residence in Franklin.

Survivors include his parents, Stephen and Joann Jarrett; his fiancée, Rebecca Bennett; three daughters, Kimberly Nicole, Maycee Abigail and Sophia Phyllis Jarrett; a son, Joshua David Jarrett; and a brother, Jacob Matthew Jarrett.

A prayer service was conducted Monday at Church of the Nativity in Indianapolis. Little & Sons Funeral Home, Stop 11 Chapel, handled arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to his children in care of Joann Jarrett to Little & Sons Funeral Home, 4901 E. Stop 11 Road, Indianapolis, IN 46237.

INDIANAPOLIS

Charlie A. Jennings

Charlie A. Jennings, 64, died Sunday, Feb. 18, 2007. He was a resident of Indianapolis.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary L. Jennings; and a son, Jason Jennings.

Survivors include a son, Don (Annie) Jennings; a brother, Allen Jennings; two sisters, Zetta Mitchell and Jeanette Loos; and two granddaughters.

A service will be conducted at 2 p.m. Thursday at Forest Lawn Funeral Home, 1977 S. State Road 135 in Greenwood. Friends may call from noon until service time Thursday at the funeral home.

GREENWOOD

Roger Harold Ross

Roger Harold Ross, 76, passed away Monday, Feb. 19, 2007. He was a resident of Greenwood.

He was born April 29, 1930, in Miami Shores, Fla., to the late Reginald and Roseanne (Rogers) Ross. He married Maxine Moldthan on March 28, 1981, and she survives.

He also is survived by five sons, Russell Dwayne (Judith) Ross of Ennis, Texas, John Alan (Vicki) Ross of Fort Worth, Texas, Roderick (Tammy) Moldthan of Indianapolis, Matthew Moldthan of Alexandria, Va., and Jason (Stacie) Moldthan of Greer, S.C.; a daughter, Peggy Lynn Tweedal of Newburgh; a brother, Rollan Ross of Columbia, S.C.; a sister, Regina Ross of Ellijay, Ga.; 11 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Roger retired in 1993 after 42 years with Allison Gas Turbine Division of General Motors Corp. as an inspector. He was also an alternate committeeman for 21 years.



ROSS

He enjoyed going to auctions and collecting everything.

A celebration of life service will be conducted at 10 a.m. Thursday at Wilson St. Pierre Funeral Service and Crematory, Greenwood Chapel, 481 W. Main St. Friends may call from 5 to 8 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Salvation Army, Greenwood Food Pantry, 323 Market Plaza, Greenwood, IN 46142.

Online condolences may be sent to the Ross family at www.wilsonstpierre.com.

GREENWOOD

Daisy Lou Young

Daisy Lou Young, 77, died Feb. 12, 2007. She was a resident of Greenwood.

Survivors include two daughters, Debbie (Terry) Bowman of Peoria, Ariz., and Susan Platt of Bloomington; three brothers, Norman and Gerry Venard, both of Colorado, and Lanny Venard of North Carolina; and two grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Arthur and Irene (Bazer) Venard; and her husband, Wilbur "Jack" Young.

A service will be conducted at 1 p.m. today at Forest Lawn Funeral Home, 1977 S. State Road 135 in Greenwood. Friends may call from 10 a.m. until service time today at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to First Baptist Church of Greenwood, 99 W. Main St., Greenwood, IN 46142.

Obituary policy

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

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.

The custom obituaries on this page have been paid for.

THE FAMILY OF
REV. J. WAYNE MARKWARD

"I thank my God every time I remember you."
- Phillipians 1:3

These words of Paul's were evidently very important to Wayne, because we found them highlighted in several of his Bibles.

Our family would like to take these words now to express our gratitude, as we remember your calls, visits, letters, cards, tears, laughter, hugs and most of all, your love during this difficult time for us. A special thanks to former co-workers at Nineveh-Hensley-Jackson United Schools, former students, former classmates and many friends and church members from the community.

IN LOVING REMEMBRANCE
of
Alexa Marie Shank
February 21, 1996 to September 29, 2006

Always in our heart,
Grandma & Grandpa Janke

In Loving Memory Of
Alexa M. Shank
Feb. 21, 1996 - Sept. 29, 2006

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Mom, Dad & Connor



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Supreme Court throws out \$79.5M verdict against tobacco company

By MARK SHERMAN
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON

The Supreme Court threw out a \$79.5 million award that a jury had ordered a cigarette maker to pay to a smoker's widow, a ruling that could bode well for other businesses seeking stricter limits on big-dollar verdicts.

The 5-4 decision Tuesday was a victory for Altria Group Inc.'s Philip Morris USA, which contested an Oregon Supreme Court decision upholding the jury's verdict.

Yet the decision did not address a key argument made by Philip Morris and its supporters across a wide range of businesses: that the size of the award was unconstitutionally large. They had hoped the court would limit the amount that

were not before it.

"To permit punishment for injuring a nonparty victim would add a near standardless dimension to the punitive damages question," Breyer said.

The company had argued that the jury was encouraged to punish Philip Morris for health problems suffered by every Oregonian who smoked its cigarettes.

Chief Justice John Roberts and Justices Samuel Alito, Anthony Kennedy and David Souter, joined with Breyer.

Dissenting were Justices Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Antonin Scalia, John Paul Stevens and Clarence Thomas. Ginsburg said Tuesday's ruling made punitive damages law even more confusing.

Jesse Williams died of lung cancer in 1997 at the age of 67.

IN OTHER NEWS

In other decisions Tuesday, the Supreme Court:

- Said a Florida death row prisoner lost an opportunity to challenge his conviction in the federal court system because he missed a one-year filing deadline.

- Vacated a \$79 million award against Weyerhaeuser Co. in a lawsuit alleging the forest products company tried to monopolize the hardwood lumber market in the Pacific Northwest.

can be awarded in punitive-damage cases.

Instead, Justice Stephen Breyer wrote in his majority opinion that the award to Mayola Williams could not stand because a jury may punish a defendant only for the harm done to the person who is suing, not to others whose cases

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