

OBITUARIES

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Vitus M. Bell

Vitus M. Bell, 82, died Saturday, Feb. 10, 2007, at Forest Creek Village in Indianapolis. He was a resident of Indianapolis.

Survivors include his wife, Ellen (Sanders) Bell of Indianapolis; a daughter, Judy (Ray) Young of Mooresville; a son, Michael M. (Julie) Bell of Indianapolis; three sisters, Ruth Martin of Greenwood, Velma Reynolds of Mooresville and Minnie Trusty of Plainfield; a brother, Herbert Bell of Indianapolis; three stepgrandchildren; and a great-stepgrandchild.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Claud and Sallie E. (Atwood) Bell.

The Rev. Eleanor Pottschmidt will conduct a funeral service at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Singleton Community Mortuary and Memorial Center, 7602 Madison Ave. in Indianapolis. A Masonic memorial service will be conducted at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the mortuary.

Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the mortuary. Burial will be at Mount Pleasant Cemetery, Glens Valley.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 9135 N. Meridian St., Suite B4, Indianapolis, IN 46209-7109.

Information: www.singletonmortuary.com

GREENWOOD

Sue Ann Cravens

Sue Ann Cravens, 57, passed away Friday, Feb. 9, 2007. She was a longtime resident of Greenwood.

The daughter of Roy and Carolyn (Flinn) Hibner; she was born July 27, 1949, in Indianapolis. She attended the Lutheran Parochial School before graduating from Southport High School in 1967. She later attended Indiana State University.

She married Philip G. Cravens on June 21, 1975, in Indianapolis. He survives.

Other survivors include her four loving daughters, Sharla A. Groves, Shelly S. (Mark) Hubele, Shawn L. (Chris) Bauer and Shannon L. (Steven) Barrick, all of Greenwood; a stepson, Ryan (Nikki) Cravens of Indianapolis; a brother, John (Marie) Hibner of Indianapolis; three sisters, Sally (James) Stover of Greenwood, Sharon (Don) McBeth of Indianapolis and Sonya Mink of Greencastle; and her seven grandchildren, Danielle, Abigail, Jaurden, Madeline, Alison, Ryan and Keigan.

For 30 years, she was a self-employed provider and teacher at Sue Cravens Day Care and took great pride in teaching appropriate values and instilling good behavior in the children. She was proud to educate children on various life skills through kinetic learning, creative literature, model behavior and structured parenting. She strove to teach children to be the best person socially, morally and intellectually.

Sue was an active member of Concordia Lutheran Church in



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Greenwood since 1975. She served the church on the fellowship board, stewardship board and choir, and assisted with Bible studies. She was active with the Lutheran Woman Missionary League.

While serving as a member of Psi Iota Xi, Zeta Sigma Chapter since 1985, she served three terms as president, one term as vice president and three terms as corresponding secretary. Her commitment led to her sorority sisters voting her Psi Ote of the Year three times.

Sue was a member of the National Association for the Education of Young Children, and was president in 2001 for the Indianapolis chapter, the first time a home day-care provider was elected. She was vice president in 2001.

She was a member of the VFW Post No. 5864 Ladies Auxiliary, serving three terms as senior vice president. Sue also was an honorary member of the D Company 151st Airborne Rangers.

Other memberships included the Betsy Ross Foundation, Indianapolis Symphony South, Christian Women's Association and 4-H.

She was an advocate for the Walk for Riley, and she was CPR and first-aid certified for more than 30 years.

Sue was a member of the PTO for Greenwood Community Schools.

St. Francis Hospital honored Sue in 2006 by awarding her the Spirit of Women Achievement Award.

She loved family time, scrapbooking, photography, sewing, singing and spreading awareness of various causes.

Her inspiration came from JOY, which means Jesus, Others, You, in that order. She was not a religious fanatic but a spiritual enlightener. She went to church because she felt God was there, not because it is what you "should do."

She was infinitely aware that God permeates everything. He is everywhere, in all people and in all things. She always had a true sense of joy and inner peace from being outside surrounded by nature. She was on such an intimate basis with the birds and squirrels that you could almost call them pets, of which she had many. To have such pure appreciation of God's creatures, big and small, is grace.

Sue was always the teacher, organizer, planner and the last to eat after everyone else. Her weakest quality was also her strongest: taking care of others

so well that she forgot to take care of herself. Her motivation came from others' happiness and having a hand in that delight. Her family was the closest and most important part of her life.

She always reflected on how to make herself a better person, and felt that was a part of her purpose and duty here on this earth.

Living life to the fullest described her ongoing spirit. The lives she touched by this constant spirit will be countless for years to come. Her drive and encouragement taught others to follow their passions. These spiritual gifts and spirit will be shared for generations through her children and her seven grandchildren, who painted the brightest picture of faith, endurance and strength during her illness.

A celebration of Sue's life will take place at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Concordia Lutheran Church, 305 Howard Road in Greenwood. Burial will be at the Concordia Cemetery in Indianapolis.

Visitation will be from 3 to 8 p.m. today at Wilson St. Pierre Funeral Service and Crematory, Greenwood Chapel, 481 W. Main St.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Sue Cravens Benefit Fund, 731 Lindenwood Drive, Greenwood, IN 46142.

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

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Harold V. Hickman

Mr. Harold V. Hickman, 81, of Indianapolis, former Franklin resident and Switzerland County resident, died at 12:34 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 10, 2007, at Community Hospital East in Indianapolis.



HICKMAN

Harold entered this life Aug. 24, 1925, in Switzerland County, the son of Emerson and Josephine Roland Hickman, both of whom preceded him in death. He was a 1943 graduate of Vevay High School, a 1949 graduate of Franklin College and a 1953 graduate of Indiana University. He was united in marriage June 1, 1947, to Vera Jean Rose.

Harold was a World War II U.S. Navy veteran. Harold had taught school at Edinburgh High School for four years; he served as the athletic director at Franklin College for two years and coached basketball and baseball. He taught at Aurora High School in Aurora for eight years, and he taught at Center Grove High School for one year.

He then served in many different capacities in Warren Township schools, beginning as a teacher and then assistant principal and later principal at Woodview Junior High School. During his tenure as principal at Woodview, the school was selected as the best junior high school in the state of Indiana by the North Association of Secondary School Principals.

Following his roles at Woodview, he served as assistant principal at Warren Central High School for two years and then as principal of Creston Junior High

School for one year before his retirement.

Harold was a member of the Franklin Road Baptist Church near Indianapolis, the Indiana Retired Teachers Association and the National Association for Secondary School Principals.

He will be missed by his wife, Vera Jean Rose Hickman of Indianapolis; his four sons, Bruce Hickman and his wife, Diana, of Indianapolis, David Hickman and his wife, Debbie, of Vevay, Brian Hickman and his wife, Jean, of Floyds Knobs, and John Hickman of Indianapolis; his sister, Dorothy Stewart of Phoenix; six grandchildren, Amy, Sarah, Ben, Nathaniel, Elliot and Kyle; and two aunts, Rebecca Dilts of Rising Sun and Nell Johnson of Elwood.

He was preceded in death by his parents: Emerson and Josephine Roland Hickman.

Funeral services will be conducted at 1 p.m. Wednesday by the Rev. Donnie Chase at Franklin Road Baptist Church, 59 N. Franklin Road in Indianapolis. Full military honors and graveside services will be conducted by the Vevay American Legion Post 185, VFW Post 5396 and the U.S. Navy Ceremonial Unit at 1 p.m. Thursday at the Slawson Cemetery near Bennington.

Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday and from noon until service time Wednesday at the church, and from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Thursday at the Haskell & Morrison Funeral Home, 208 Ferry St. in Vevay.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Slawson Cemetery, The Boy Scouts of America Troop No. 741 or Franklin Road Baptist Church. Cards will be available at the church or the funeral home.

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Angela Ingram

Angela Ingram, 37, died Tuesday, Feb. 6, 2007, at her residence in Indianapolis.

Survivors include her parents, Keith and Mary-Anna (Reading) Anderson; her husband, Ricky Ingram; a son, Ricky Ingram Jr.; three daughters, Jennifer and Tiffany Ingram and Laura Heldman; a brother, Billy Anderson; and a sister, Kim Sears.

She was preceded in death by her brother, Geoffrey Carver.

A funeral 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 noon until service time today at the funeral home. Entombment will be at Forest Lawn Memory Gardens in Greenwood.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Ingram family through the funeral home.

Information: www.forestlawn.cemetery-fh.com

GREENWOOD

Timothy Samuel Neff

Timothy Samuel Neff, 37, died Thursday, Feb. 8, 2007. He was a resident of Greenwood.

Survivors include his fiancée, Vickie Lynn Beasley; four children, Tiffany Neff, Tannah Neff, Patrick VanBuskirk and Tatiana Beasley; and three brothers, Ronnie Neff, Mitchell Neff and Randall Cox.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Samuel and Lucile Lynn Neff.

A ceremony to celebrate Timothy's life will be conducted at noon today at Family Funeral Care, 5791 Rockville Road in Indianapolis. A graveside ceremony will be Tuesday at Wilson Cemetery in Liberty, Ky.

GREENWOOD

Jim Newbrough

Jim Newbrough, 65, of Greenwood, passed away Friday, Feb. 9, 2007 as the result of an automobile accident.

He was born Dec. 12, 1941, to the late James and Virginia Newbrough. Jim was a graduate of Central Tech Institute and DeVry Technical Institute and held a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering.

During his professional career in consumer electronics, Jim was the vice president of marketing for 18 years at RCA, senior vice president of marketing of Philips Consumer Electronics for 13 years and owned a consulting firm with a worldwide client base. He was a member of the Grace Baptist Church in Indianapolis.

Jim was a devoted husband, father and grandfather who loved spending time with his family. Survivors include his wife of 46 years, Brenda (Hutchinson) Newbrough; their three sons, Randy (Terri) Newbrough, Dan (Lisa) Newbrough and Tim (Jenny) Newbrough; three brothers, Donald (Pat), Robert (Karla) and David (Barbara) Newbrough; a sister, Jeannie (Junior) Davidson; and six grandchildren, Rachel, Rebecca, Ella, Jake, Kelly and Samantha.

Funeral services will be conducted at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Forest Lawn Funeral Home, 1977 S. State Road 135 in Greenwood. Friends may call from 4 p.m. until service time Tuesday at the funeral home.

Jim will be laid to rest in his hometown of Mexico, Mo., in Elmwood Cemetery.

Information: www.forestlawn.cemetery-fh.com

GREENWOOD

Thomas Edward O'Shaughnessy

Thomas Edward O'Shaughnessy, 77, died Thursday, Feb. 8,

2007. He was a resident of Greenwood.

Survivors include his wife, Rayma O'Shaughnessy; a son, David T. O'Shaughnessy; a daughter, Ann M. (Joe) Schuller; and two grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Herschel and Ada O'Shaughnessy.

A funeral service will be conducted at 11 a.m. today at Forest Lawn Funeral Home, 1977 S. State Road 135 in Greenwood. Entombment will be at Forest Lawn Memory Gardens in Greenwood.

Memorial contributions may be made to Calvary Lutheran Church, 611 Shelby St., Indianapolis, IN 46227.

Information: www.forestlawn.cemetery-fh.com

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Robert Lee Royalty

Robert Lee Royalty, 72, died Saturday, Feb. 10, 2007. He was a resident of Indianapolis.

Arrangements are pending at G.H. Herrmann Madison Avenue Funeral Home in Indianapolis.

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Betty Stoddard

Betty Stoddard, 75, died Saturday, Feb. 10, 2007, at Select Specialty Hospital in Beech Grove. She was a resident of Indianapolis.

Survivors include two daughters, Sharon (Steven) Book of Indianapolis and Bonnie (Mario) Luna of Wichita, Kan.; a son, Mark Stoddard of Indianapolis; seven grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Harry R. Stoddard Jr.; and her parents, Jesse and Frances Hairfield.

The Rev. Kenneth Burcham will conduct a funeral service at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Singleton Community Mortuary and Memorial Center, 7602 Madison Ave. in Indianapolis. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. today at the funeral home. Entombment will be at Crown Hill Cemetery in Indianapolis.

Memorial contributions may be made to American Diabetes Association, Indianapolis Office, 6415 Castlaway West Drive, Suite 114, Indianapolis, IN 46250.

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