

IN MEMORY

IN LOVING MEMORY of our beloved husband, father and grandfather, Thomas H. Welch, Sr., who passed away one year ago September 24, 1997. We miss you.

Your loving family

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WORKMAN, In memory of Robert Workman who left us 20 years ago, April 4, 1979. In our hearts forever, never forgotten, always remembered.

Loved and missed by his family

WESTEN: In loving memory of Tina Westen, who passed away 15 years ago, May 22nd. We miss you dearly and love you.

Amber and Mom
Cindy, Doug and Jeff

OBITUARIES

WHITE: Mrs. Hazel White, age 73, of Cedar Springs, passed away on Tuesday, February 15, 2000. Mrs. White was a member of E. Nelson United Methodist Church. She is remembered as a loving, kind person who was like a magnet in attracting children. Her sister has wonderful memories of the two of them "playing house", which included canning. Mrs. White loved to watch birds, garden and travel and she was former partner in the H & L Restaurant on Courtland St. in Rockford for 16 years. She was preceded in death by her infant daughters, Fawn Lee and Dawn Marie Woodhull, her parents, Floyd and Nellie Osburn and brothers, Edward Osburn, Rollo Osburn and Harry Osburn. Mrs. White is survived by her husband, Jack, whom she married on April 19, 1984; children, Susan and Paul Howard of Ada, OK, Michael Woodhull of Decatur, AL, Shade Woodhull of Cedar Springs, Barbara and Lloyd Rich of Hudsonville, Linda and Mike Jones, Jerry White and Tammie and Roger Weeks, all of Cedar Springs and Trudy Howe of Howard City; 14 grandchildren; 9 great grandchildren plus one on the way; sister, Helen and Henry Roeters of Grant; brothers, Earl and Laurevia Osburn of Grant, Russell and Luella Osburn of Big Rapids, James Osburn of Grand Rapids and Thomas and Eileen Osburn of Twin Lakes; sisters in law, Doris Osburn of Grand Rapids and Angie Osburn of Zephyrhills, FL; Jack's family, Mrs. Anna May White Whittall, Peggy and John Goller of Rockford and D.M. and Juanita White of Cedar Springs; nieces and nephews. The service for Mrs. White was held Friday afternoon at 1:00 at the funeral home with Pastor Ben Lester officiating. Burial in Courtland wp. Cemetery. Those planning an expression of sympathy are asked to consider the Make A Foundation.

WELCH (SPARTA): Melbourne (Bud) Clive Welch, age 64, passed away on Friday, July 23, 1999 at his home after a courageous battle with cancer. He was born July 1, 1935 in West Branch, MI to Gerald C. and Bertha (King) Welch. He married Marcelyn Zemites on September 12, 1953 in Grand Rapids. He was employed by General Motors Diesel Division as a Supervisor. He was preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by his wife of 45 years, Marcelyn (Marcy); daughters, Ahna and Fred Schmid, Lorie and Dan Colligan, Peggy and Michael Rood; Wendy and Dave Cebelak; grandchildren, Ron, Randy, Nicole, Ashley, Matthew, Mitch, Joe, Zackery, and Ben; sisters-in-law, Marilyn and Art Gigowski, Polly Zemites; several nieces and nephews. Mass of the Christian Burial was offered Monday, July 26, 10:00 am at The Holy Family Catholic Church in Sparta with Fr. Phil Shangraw Celebrant. Those who wish may make memorial contributions to Visiting Nurse Hospice or Holy Family Catholic Church. Funeral services by Hessel-Cheslek Funeral Home.

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WYLIE: Lyle "Norman" Wylie, age 93, formerly of Kent City and Ravenna passed away on Wednesday, January 3, 2001 at Fountain View of Grant. He was born on April 27, 1907 in Alpine Township to Charles F. and Ethel (Norman) Wylie. He married Gladys Ott on December 3, 1932 in Muskegon. He was preceded in death by his wife, Gladys on July 30, 1994. He is survived by his children, Norma Totten of Rockford, Robert Wylie of Fremont, Dale Wylie of Belmont; 9 grandchildren; several great grandchildren; several nieces and nephews. As Norman had wished cremation has taken place and no services will take place. Funeral service by Hessel-Cheslek Funeral Home.

WIGGERS: Florence Mary Wiggers, age 85, formerly of Sparta passed away on Sunday, January 28, 2001 at St. Mary's Living Center. She was preceded in death by 5 siblings; her husband, Glenn (Dutch); son, Jimmy; and grandson, Kelly. She is survived by her children, JoAnn and Robert Berg, Caroline Mazurkiewicz, Delores and Willis Jaquays, Michael and Vicki Wiggers; 14 grandchildren; 20 great grandchildren; brothers, Stan and Fran Wondlowski, John Wendell Wondlowski; sisters, Lottie Radlinski, Wanda Cook, and Gertrude Byron; several nieces and nephews. Mass of the Christian Burial was offered on Wednesday, January 31, 10:00 A.M. at Holy Family Catholic Church in Sparta with Fr. Phil Shangraw, celebrant. Interment in Greenwood Cemetery, Sparta. Those who wish may make memorial contributions to Holy Family Catholic Church. Funeral services by Hessel-Cheslek Funeral Home.

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IN LOVING MEMORY of Catherine Wagner, our dear mother and grandmother. December 1 stands as a constant reminder of how your absence changed our lives. Being a teacher I'm used to lessons, but no schooling could prepare me as well as you did for the lessons of life. Your guidance and treasures of life have taught me to handle tough times with Faith and the grace of a woman; not the grief of a child. I learned to accept defeats with my head up and my eyes open. And I learned to build my roads on today because tomorrow's ground is too uncertain for plans; as futures have a way of falling down in mid-flight. You taught me to plant my own garden and decorate my own soul, instead of waiting for someone to bring me flowers. And mostly, as a mom, I'm learning the subtle difference between holding a hand and chaining a soul. Thanks for your specialness and strength to endure! Always in our hearts and minds, Steve, Jean, Sara, and Gina.

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WIGGINS- In loving memory of Bill Wiggins who passed away 3 years ago, May 25th. We little knew that morning God was going to call your name, in life we loved you dearly, in death we do the same. You wished no one a last farewell, no one ever said goodbye, you were gone before we knew it and only God knows why. A golden heart stopped beating, your tender hands at rest, and God took you to prove to us, He only takes the best. It broke our hearts to lose you and then you didn't go alone, for part of us went with you, the day God called you home. You left us beautiful memories, your love will be our guide and though we cannot see you, you are always at our side. Our family chain is broken and nothing seems the same, but as God calls us one by one, the chain will link again. Love you always- wife Lorraine, children & grandchildren.

June 7, 2000

WIGGINS- In Loving Memory of my beloved husband, William (Bill) Ralph Wiggins, who passed away 5 years ago, May 25th, 1997. A million times we needed you. A million times we cried. If love alone could have saved you, you never would have died. In life we loved you dearly, in death we love you still, for in our hearts you held a special place that no one else can fill. It broke our hearts to lose you, but you did not go alone, for part of us went with you the day God called you home. Loved and missed by your wife, Lorraine Children and Grandchildren

WILTENBURG (KENT CITY): Mildred Clara Wiltenburg, age 95, passed away on Monday, February 28, 2000, at her home. She was born January 21, 1905, in Conklin, to Christian and Clara (Miller) Peters. She was a Life time member of Trinity Lutheran Church in Conklin. She married J. Carl Wiltenburg on June 16, 1926, in Conklin, and was preceded in death by him in 1971. She was also preceded by her son in law, Roger Johnson; great grandsons, Bradley and Eric Johnson; sisters, Barbara Kober and Edna Kraft; brother, Marvin Peters. She is survived by her daughter, Janice C. Johnson; grandsons, Jeffrey and Dianne Johnson, Steve Johnson and his friend, Sue; great grandsons, Gregory C. and Brett J. Johnson, several nieces, nephews, co-usins, and many caring friends and neighbors. Funeral services were held on Thursday, March 2, 1:00pm at the Hessel-Cheslek Funeral Home with Rev. Mark Oswald officiating. Interment in Trinity Lutheran Cemetery, Conklin. Those who wish may make memorial contributions to Trinity Lutheran Church or The Fremont Foundation for Continue Care Nursing Fund, 4424 W. 48th Street, P.O. Box B, Fremont, MI 49412.

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WILK: Otis Wilk, age 94, loving husband, father, and grandfather left this earth on Saturday, March 18, 2000, to join his beloved wife, Ada, and continue their heavenly journey together. He was born October 17, 1905, in Sparta to Albert and Bertha (Noble) Wilk. He worked for the Kent County Road Commission and also farmed the family farm. He will be sadly missed by his 5 daughters, Shirley and Roy Joppie of TX, Marian Osech of Cedar Springs, Bertha Lockard of Sparta, Sandra and George Kenney of Kent City, Karen Brooks of Kent City; 21 grandchildren; 44 great grandchildren; 11 great great grandchildren; sister in law, Gertie Wilk of Sparta; many friends and wonderful neighbors. Funeral services were held on Tuesday, March 21, 1pm at the Hessel-Cheslek Funeral Home with Rev. Mark Looman officiating. Interment in Blytheheld Memorial Gardens. Those who wish may make memorial contributions to Hospice of Michigan or Alcoholics Anonymous.