



Dorothy Guthrie



Born: 2/8/1908

Died: 7/23/2003

Services will be held at: 11:00 a.m. on Friday, July 25, 2003 at the Rhodes United Methodist Church

Visitation times are: 10:00 a.m. to service time at the Church

Dorothy C. Guthrie, 95, formerly of 203 West Walnut, Rhodes, Iowa, died Wednesday, July 23, 2003 at Bickford Cottage, Ames, Iowa. FUNERAL SERVICES will be held at

11:00 AM, on Friday, July 25, 2003, at United Methodist Church in Rhodes. INTERMENT will follow services in the Eden Cemetery, Rhodes, Iowa. A VISITATION will be from 10 to 11 A.M. Friday at the Rhodes United Methodist Church. The Pursel-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory has been entrusted with her arrangements. MEMORIALS may be directed to the Rhodes United Methodist Church.

Dorothy was born on February 8, 1908 in Hopkinton, Iowa, the daughter of Austin Kirk and Florence Mae Lewis Cramer. Raised and educated in the area of her birth, she graduated from the Hopkinton High School with the class of 1926, and later attended Lenox Junior College for two years. On June 20, 1928, she was united in marriage to William B. Guthrie in Manchester, Iowa. Dorothy taught school in the Melbourne and Rhodes areas for thirty-four years, retiring in 1973. She was a member of the Rhodes United Methodist Church, United Methodist Women, SSSS Club, and Cleo Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star. She had a love of roses which she inherited from her husband. She continued that hobby and many admired her roses. She always said "I guess I was born with a deck of cards in my hand." She loved playing any kind of cards, but did not gamble Dorothy is survived by her sons: William B. (Helen) Guthrie, Jr., of Kingston, Oklahoma, and Robert K. Guthrie of Dubuque, two daughters-in-law: Ruth (Mrs. Ken) Guthrie of Vernon Hills, Illinois and Shiela (Mrs. Jack) Guthrie of Tebbits, Missouri, five grandchildren and thirteen great-grandchildren . She was preceded in death by her parents, husband William on November, 29, 1965, sons-Kenneth and Jack, three brothers and two sisters.

Bob Menter



Born: 7/2/1932

Died: 7/25/2003

Services will be held at: 11:00 A.M. Thursday, July 31, 2003 at the Pursel-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory

Visitation times are: 9 to 11 A.M. Thursday

Bob Menter, 71, of Casa Grande, Arizona, formerly of Marshalltown, died Friday, July 25, 2003 at Casa Grande Regional Medical Center, Casa Grande, Arizona. FUNERAL SERVICES will be held at 11:00 AM, on Thursday, July 31, 2003, at Pursel-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory. Masonic rites will be conducted by members of Marshall Lodge #108 AF & AM. INTERMENT will follow services in the Riverside Cemetery, Marshalltown, with military honors provided by Harry C. Harter Post #839 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. A VISITATION will be from 9:00 A.M. to service time on Thursday. Robert James Menter was born on July 2, 1932 in Marshalltown Iowa, the son of Sam and Eva (Grimsby) Menter. He served in the United States Army following school, and later during the Korean Conflict . He married Ruth Viona Kent on July 8, 1950, in Marshalltown . He owned and operated Bob's Barber Shop under the Center Street viaduct in Marshalltown for 20 years and was employed by the Marshall County Sheriff's Office for 13 years, retiring in 1992 as a deputy. He was a past master of the Marshall Lodge #108 AF & AM; Marshalltown Hightwelve #617, Order of Eastern Star Central Chapter #67, Madon Shrine Chapter 38 W.S.I, Harry C. Harter Post #839 of the VFW, Frank Lewis Glick Post #46 of the American Legion, D.A.V. and Iowa Order of Odd Fellows where he was past Noble Guard. Bob is survived by his wife: Ruth Menter of Casa Grande, Arizona; son: Danny Menter of Casa Grande, AZ, daughter, Diana (Juan) Marron of Mesa, AZ; brother, Richard Menter of California; two sisters, Harriet Singleton of California and Helen Paul of Gilman; three grandchildren: Jennifer Bennett, Cortney (Tom) Watson, and Lacey (Mike) Watts, and three great-grandchildren: Chandler, Tori and Ashlyn. He was preceded in death by his parents; one granddaughter, and several brothers and sisters.

Robert Orie Guthrie, Jr.



Born: 9/19/1954

Died: 7/25/2003

Services will be held at: 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, July 29, 2003 at Trinity Lutheran Church
Visitation times are: 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Monday, at Pursel-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory, where the family will be present from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.. A public Vigil will be held at 7:00 p.m.

Robert Orie Guthrie, Jr. , 48, of 2144-F Marsh Avenue, Marshalltown, Iowa died Friday, July 25, 2003 in Bloomfield, Iowa. FUNERAL SERVICES will be held at 11a.m. on Tuesday, July 29, 2003, at Trinity Lutheran Church. A PRIVATE family interment will be held at the Newton Union Cemetery, Newton. A VISITATION will be from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Monday, at the Pursel-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory, where the family will be present from 6 p.m. to 8p.m.. A PUBLIC VIGIL will be held at 7:00 p.m. . MEMORIALS may be directed to the Robert Orie Guthrie, Jr. Memorial Fund . Robert Orie Guthrie Jr. was born on September 19, 1954 in Newton, Iowa, the son of Robert Sr. and Martha (Robson) Guthrie. Robert attended Woodrow Wilson Elementary School and Central Middle School. He graduated from Newton High School in 1972. He later attended Marshalltown Community College prior to working for Marshalltown Manufacturing in 1974. On August 30, 1974, he married Debra Wirth at Trinity Lutheran Church in Marshalltown. He started on the assembly line at Lennox Industries in 1976. He later moved on to Production Control before serving as a Stockroom Supervisor. As an avid outdoorsman, he enjoyed camping, fishing, hunting and hiking. He coached Little League, MFL, MGSA sports, and participated twice in RAGBRAI. He was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church and served on the Property Board Community. Robert was a member of the Lennox Management Club, and he also found time to hold numerous

leadership positions with the Marshalltown Girls Softball Association. He is survived by his wife: Debra; son: Marc Robert Guthrie, of Marshalltown; daughters: Michelle McKibbin, of Marshalltown, and Melissa Guthrie, of Franklinton, North Carolina; parents Robert O., Sr. and Martha J. Guthrie, of Newton; brothers: Bert (Marta) Guthrie, of Newton, Mick (Kim) Guthrie, of Newton, Jeff (Trish) Guthrie, of Newton, and Thomas Guthrie; sister: Laura (Joe) Madden, of Newton; granddaughter Jorden McKibbin, of Marshalltown, and grandmother Winona Graham.

Rita M. Drummer

Born: 8/14/2003

Died: 7/25/2003

Services will be held at: 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 29, 2003 at St. Mary's Catholic Church

Visitation times are: 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Monday at Pursel-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory, where the family will be present from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.. A Rosary will be recited at 3:00 p.m.

Rita M. Drummer, 72, of Glenwood Place in Marshalltown, died Friday, July 25, 2003 at the Israel Family Hospice House in Ames. MAS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL will be held at 2:00 p.m., on Tuesday, July 29, 2003, at St. Mary's Catholic Church. INTERMENT will follow services in the St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery, State Center. A VISITATION will be from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Monday at Pursel-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory, where the family will be present from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.. A Rosary will be recited at 3:30 p.m. on Monday. MEMORIALS may be directed to the St. Mary's Catholic Church or Iowa River Hospice. Rita M. Drummer was born on August 14, 1930 in Marshalltown, Iowa, the daughter of Earl and Calista (Lang) Collins. Raised and educated in Marshalltown, she graduated from St. Mary's High School in 1948. On August 23, 1948, she married Raymond H. Drummer at the St. Mary's Catholic Church in Marshalltown. A lifelong Marshall County resident, she was a homemaker and lived in Haverhill and Melbourne prior to returning to Marshalltown. She is survived by her daughters: Raechel (Mrs. Mike) Casey, of Marshalltown, Rose (Mrs. Bob) Hester, of Jacksonville, Florida, Rebecca (Mrs. Randy) Judge, of LeGrand, Ruth (Mrs. Bob) Jacobson, of Marshalltown, Renee (Mrs. Al) Irely, of Boone, and Rhonda (Mrs. Eric) Chrystal, of Panora; son: Roger (Ada) Drummer, of Marshalltown; sisters: Maxine Randall, of Marshalltown, Helen (Mrs. Ed) Halverson, of Marshalltown, Patricia Finch, of Marshalltown, Barbara Freland, of Marshalltown, Jean (Mrs. Jack) Sharer, of Grinnell, and Jo (Mrs. Floyd) Bruesehoff, of Chandler, Arizona; seventeen grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, son Raphael, daughter, Raelene, brothers Bernard, Earl Jr., and Michael Collins; and granddaughter Jennifer Judge.

Beatrice Vogel



Born: 5/23/1910

Died: 7/28/2003

Services will be held at: 11:00 A.M. Thursday, July 31, 2003 at the United Methodist Church in Hampton, Iowa

Visitation times are: 12-2 P.M. Wednesday at the Pursel-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory in Marshalltown. 4 to 8 P.M. Wednesday at the Sietsema-Vogel Funeral Home in Hampton. Family will greet from 4 to 7 P.M.

Bea Vogel, 93, of Villa del Sol Care Center, and former resident of Bickford Cottage, Hampton and Dumont, Iowa, died Monday, July 28, 2003 at Marshalltown Medical & Surgical Center, Marshalltown. FUNERAL SERVICES will be held at 11:00 AM, on Thursday, July 31, 2003, at the United Methodist Church in Hampton, with Revs. Jennifer Daniel and Jerry Miller, officiating. INTERMENT will follow services in the Dumont Cemetery. A VISITATION will be from 12 to 2 P.M. Wednesday at the Pursel-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory of Marshalltown, where the family will be present. A second visitation will be held from 4 to 8 P.M. Wednesday at the Sietsema-Vogel Funeral Home in Hampton, where the family will be present to greet friends from 4 to 7 P.M.. Memorials may be directed in her name for the Dumont Public Library. Beatrice Matilda Nelson was born on May 23, 1910 in Albert City, Iowa, the daughter of Olof and Sigrid Bena Nelson. Raised and educated in the area of her birth, she graduated from the Albert City High School with the class of 1929. Following graduation, she attended the University of Northern Iowa for one year. On May 10, 1930, Bea was united in marriage to Richard Henry Vogel in Vinton, Iowa. In 1941, they moved to Dumont, Iowa to operate the Vogel Furniture and Funeral Home. In 1987, they moved to Hampton. Bea was very active in many organizations in the Butler and Franklin County areas over the years. She

was a fifty year member of the Franklin Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star where she served as past Worthy Matron, and fifty year member of the Hampton Womens Club. She also served as a committee women with the Butler County Republican Party for many years. Bea is survived by her husband: Richard "Dick" Vogel of Marshalltown, Son: Trent (Judy) Vogel of Marshalltown, daughter: Sharyn Bamber of Los Angeles, California; four grandchildren: Richard "Rick" Vogel of Marshalltown; Kim Montalvo of Arlington, Texas; Julie King of Forney, Texas; and George Bamber of Los Angeles, California; nine great-grandchildren, and one step-great-grandchild. She was preceded in death by her parents, sister Doris Johnson, and three brothers-Lowell, Howard and Earl Nelson.

Maxine Vint



Born: 3/6/1910

Died: 7/30/2003

Services will be held at: 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, August 2, 2003 at St. Henry's Catholic Church

Visitation times are: 5:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m. on Friday at Pursel-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory, where the family will be present from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Maxine Vint, 93, of 1011 South 7th Avenue, Marshalltown, died Wednesday, July 30, 2003 at the Grandview Heights Care Center in Marshalltown. MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL will be held at 9:00 a.m., on Saturday, August 2, 2003, at St. Henry's Catholic

Church. INTERMENT will follow services in the Riverside Cemetery, Marshalltown. A VISITATION will be from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Friday at Pursel-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory, where the family will be present from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.. Maxine was born on March 6, 1910 in Albion, Iowa, the daughter of Perry and Bessie (Cowgill) Springer. Raised and educated in Albion, she graduated from Albion High School in 1928, and later attended Central Iowa Business College in Marshalltown. On November 18, 1940, she married James E. Vint in Marshalltown. She was the Credit Department Head at Montgomery Ward and also spent three years with The Credit Guide. She was a member of St. Henry's Catholic Church. She is survived by her sons: James (Rosemary) Vint, of Albion, and Jerry Vint, of Marshalltown, daughter: Martha Ann (Mrs. Don) Boone, of Marshalltown; brothers Keith Springer, of Marshalltown and Neil Springer, of Portland, Oregon; six grandchildren, and ten great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, son Denis, and three brothers.

Howard Brown



Born: 1/16/1916

Died: 8/5/2003

Services will be held at: Saturday, August 9, 2003 at Pursel-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory

Visitation times are: 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM on Friday at Pursel-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory, where the family will be present to greet friends from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m..

Howard L. Brown, age 87, of the Villa Del Sol Health Care Center in Marshalltown, died Monday, August 5, 2003 at the Mercy Hospital Medical Center in Des Moines, Iowa. FUNERAL SERVICES will be held at 10:30 a.m., Saturday, August 9, 2003 at Pursel-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory with Reverend Jeffrey R. Frese of Grace United Methodist Church, officiating. INTERMENT will follow in Rose Hill Memorial Gardens, Marshalltown, Iowa. Friends may call for VISITATION from 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM on Friday at Pursel-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory, where the family will be present to greet friends from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.. A memorial fund has been established in his name with memorials being directed to the Grace United Methodist Church. Howard was born on January 16, 1916, in Marshalltown, Iowa, the son of Frank and Evelyn (Schneider) Brown. Howard was raised and educated in Marshalltown attending the Marshalltown School System. On June 15, 1945 he was united in marriage to Nellie M. Martin in Marshalltown. Howard was employed by the Marshall Creamery for over 13 years and also served as a machinist for Cooper Manufacturing before retiring on January 16, 1978. He was a member of Grace United Methodist Church, the Marshalltown City Wildlife Club, and was an avid fisherman. He is survived by his daughter Janet (Mrs. Greg) Stock, of Albuquerque, New Mexico. His four grandsons Ross (Lisa) Stock of Colorado Springs, Colorado; Christopher (Mary Jo) Stock of Satellite Beach, Florida; Adam Stock of West Melbourne, Florida; Logan Stock of Albuquerque, New Mexico and four great-grand children. He is also survived by his sister Mrs. Jean (James) Cooper of Marshalltown. He was preceded in death by his wife Nellie, his parents Frank and Evelyn, his sister Doris and an infant sister Shirley.

Leona D. Hertema



Born: 4/8/1912
Died: 8/8/2003

Services will be held at: 1:30 PM on Monday, August 11, 2003 at Pursel-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory

Visitation times are: 12:00 PM to 9:00 PM on Sunday at Pursel-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory, where the family will be present to greet friends from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Leona was born on April 8, 1912 in Buckeye, Iowa, the daughter of Jay and Blanche (Stringer) Dougan. Leona was raised and educated in the Whitten, Iowa area graduating from the Whitten High School in 1930. On June 1, 1931 she was united in marriage to G.W. Hertema. Following their marriage they made their home in Hubbard where G.W. was employed at the High School before their move to Green Mountain. She was employed by the Niederhauser Airport for many years and during this time period Leona attained her pilot's license and became a member of the Nintey-Niners, a women's pilots organization, and a member of the Airplane Owners and Pilots Association. Leona was active with the Marshalltown Art Association, a member of the Marshalltown Toastmasters, the Central Iowa Parliamentarians, and the Iowa Horticultural Society. Both her and her husband G.W. were long time members of the First Congregational Church. Leona is survived by her brother James (Gertrude) Dougan of Hubbard, Iowa. Her nieces and nephews: Dennis (Jean) Vaughn of Independence, Iowa; Richard (Kathy) Vaughn, of Cumming, Iowa; Chuckie (Darrel) Peterson of Marshalltown; Cathy (Robert) Arthur of Marshalltown; Dee (John) Koch of Gilman, Iowa; Daniel Dougan of Peoria, Illinois; Carole (Ted) Minnick of Bettendorf, Iowa; Darla (Dave) Friest of Minnesota; Mike Dougan of Arizona; Renae (Eric) Bohling of Radcliffe, Iowa; Kevin (Rita) Dougan of Ames, Iowa; Kelly (Kenny) Kyle of Ames, Iowa; Lana (Melvin) Cahcart; Sherry (Lary) Beenken; Carol Ann Hertema; Mary Sue Hertema; Darrell John (Pat) Hertema. Her sister-in-laws: Lorraine Hertema of Belmond, Iowa and Theone Hertema of Gladbrook, Iowa. Her god-sons Michael Lynk of Tampa, Florida and Maurice (Mary Beth) Lynk of Green Mountain, Iowa. She is also survived by 31 great nieces and nephews and 31 great-great nieces and nephews. She was preceeded in death by her husband G.W. in March of 1975, her parents Jay and Blanche, her sister Agnes Vaughn and her brother Marion "Bud" Dougan.

Jim Sparks



Born: 11/4/1915

Died: 8/14/2003

Services will be held at: 10:30 AM on Tuesday, August 19, 2003 at the Bangor Liberty Friends Church in Bangor, Iowa with Reverend Keith Haisch officiating

Visitation times are: 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Monday at the Biersborn Funeral Home in Union, Iowa, where the family will be present to greet friends from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Jim was born on November 4, 1915 in Marshalltown, Iowa, the son of Floyd and Erma (Carkhuff) Sparks. Jim was raised and educated in the Marshalltown, Timber Creek, Clemons, and Spring Valley, Iowa area graduating from the Liberty Consolidated School in 1933. Jim was activated by the United States Army and served his country during WWII. On January 23, 1949 he was united in marriage to Evelyn Irene Cory. They made their home on the family farm southwest of Union, where he farmed for many years before his retirement in 1993. A short time later they moved to Union. Jim was a member of the Bangor Liberty Friends Church and the American Legion. He was a past member of the Union-Whitten School Board, South Hardin Manor Board, and the Kiwanis Club. Jim is survived by his wife Evelyn, his three daughters: Nancy (Steve) Smith of Guthrie Center, Iowa; Marcia (Neal) Hadden of Oskaloosa, Iowa; Sharon (Jan) Johnson of Union, Iowa; his three brothers: Donald (Mary) Sparks of New Providence, Iowa; Russell (Betty) Sparks of Melbourne, Iowa; John Sparks (friend Teri) of State Center, Iowa; his four sisters: Virginia Clemons of State Center; Maxine (John) Mohr of Marshalltown, Iowa; Nola (LaVern) German of State Center, Iowa; Joanne (Bob) Benner of State Center, Iowa; his Sister-In-Laws: Virginia Sparks of State Center, Iowa; Ina Mae Sparks of Clemons, Iowa; and his nine grandchildren. Jim was preceded in death by his parents, and his two brothers Floyd and Roger.

Theanne Abrahamson



Born: 12/5/2003

Died: 8/15/2003

Services will be held at: 2:00 PM, on Tuesday, August 19, 2003, at the Stavanger Friends Church in LeGrand, with Pastor Marc T. Jackson, officiating

Visitation times are: 6 to 9 P.M. Monday at the Pursel-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory, where the family will be present

Theanne was born on December 5, 1938 in Marshalltown, Iowa, the daughter of Bertram and Gladys Iverson Twedt. She was raised and educated in the rural LeGrand area, graduating from the final class of the Dunbar High School in 1956 as Valedictorian. Following high school, she attended the St. Luke's School of Nursing in Cedar Rapids, graduating in 1958. On September 3, 1960, she was united in marriage to Lee Leonard Abrahamson at the First United Methodist Church in Marshalltown. Theanne began her nursing career at St. Luke's Hospital in Cedar Rapids where she worked in the Emergency Room for fifteen years. She continued her career at Linn County Orthopedics, and later served as the director of nursing at the 4th Avenue Care Center for ten years. In her later years, she worked as a caterer with "The Souper" and "The Katering Kitchen", retiring in 2000. Theanne enjoys spending time with her children and grandchildren, and loved to cook. She is survived by her Son: Kent (Lynn Marie) Abrahamson of Marshalltown, three daughters: Kari (Mrs. Brad) White and Kristin (Mrs. Kevin) Flood, both of Cedar Rapids, Katie (Mrs. Michael) Abrahamson-Henderson of Springfield, Missouri; a sister: Marsanna Twedt of Illinois; Aunt: Alice Twedt of Marshalltown, and nine grandchildren: Ashley & Megan White, Lacy Flanagan, McKenna, Keenan & Ryan Flood, Savannah Henderson, and Kale & Kayla Abrahamson. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband in 1980, and uncle Myron Twedt.

Gerald Whitmore

Born: 4/21/1923

Died: 8/15/2003

Services will be held at: Following cremation at Pursel-Davis Funeral Home and Crematory no services or visitation are scheduled at this time

Visitation times are: No visitation planned at this time.

Jerry was born on April 21, 1923 in Colo, Iowa, the son of Steven and Goldie (Hauser) Whitmore. He was raised and educated in the rural Marshall County area attending the Liberty Consolidated School and the Albion School. Jerry was activated by the United States Army and served his country during WWII. Following his return from active duty, Jerry was employed for several years by Marshall County where he drove a truck and operated the county maintainer. Jerry loved music and was an avid musician playing his fiddle all around Marshall County. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church of Albion. Jerry is survived by his sister: Verneta (Wilford) Rash, Ellsworth, Iowa, his Sister: Maxine (Laverne) Sinclair, of Ferguson, Iowa his Brother: Wallace (Arlene) Whitmore, of Marshalltown, Iowa, his Sister: Revola (Earl) Farmer, of Marshalltown,

Iowa, his Brother: Everett (Janice) Whitmore, of Marshalltown, Iowa, his Brother:
Lowell (Jean) Whitmore, Marshalltown, Iowa , his Sister: Janice (Roger) Stonewall,
Rhodes, Iowa He was preceded in death by his parents Steven and Goldie, his brother
Max, his sister Evelyn, his sister Audrey, and his brother Donald.