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Wilmer R. Moyer



Born: November 07, 1926

Died: October 07, 2003

Services will be held at: Funeral services will be held at 2:30 PM, on Friday, October 10, 2003, at Pursel-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory with Reverend Jerry Swanberg of First United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will follow services at Rose Hill Memorial Gardens in Marshalltown.

Visitation times are: Visitation will be held Thursday, October 9, from 5-9 PM at the Pursel-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory, where the family will be present to greet friends from 6-8 PM. A memorial fund has been established in his name with memorials being directed to the First United Methodist Church.

Wilmer Moyer was born on November 7, 1916 in Marshalltown, Iowa, the son of Jessie E. and Pearl (Mullinex) Moyer. He was raised and educated in the Marshalltown area attending school in Ferguson, Iowa. He actively served his country during World War II as a member of the United States Army. Wilmer was married to Iva Mae Bachelder in 1939. Following their marriage they made their home in Marshalltown. Wilmer was very active in the Shetland Hackney & Welsh Pony Association and was employed by Fisher Controls for many years until his retirement in 1977. Wilmer was a member of the American Legion, and the UAW Local 893. Wilmer is survived by his wife Vera Moyer of Marshalltown his daughter Holly (George) Patko of Scottsdale, Arizona, his step-son Lonnie (Janie) Vandekamp of Marshalltown, his step-son Jerry (Leah) VandeKamp of Melbourne, his step-son Jon VandeKamp and friend Pam Sowers of Marshalltown, his daughter-in-law Joy Moyer of Marshalltown, his sister Esther Gough of Marshalltown his sister Genivive Workman of Marshalltown, his grandson Brad Moyer of Illinois, his grandson Stuart Moyer of Illinois, his granddaughter Leigh Ann (Bob) Cole of Alabama, his granddaughter Pam (Dave) Compton of Arizona, his grandson Jim Patko of Alabama, his granddaughter Kelly (Jeff) Frano of Arizona, his grandson Brad (Rene) Moyer, 6 great-grandchildren; his step-grandson Dean VandeKamp of Melbourne, his step granddaughter Tammy (Mark) Benbow of Greenfield, his step-grandson Mike VandeKamp of Marshalltown, his step granddaughter Melanie VandeKamp of Eldora his step granddaughter Jill Paxton, and 6 step great-grandchildren. Wilmer was preceded in death by his parents Jessie and Pearl, his son Richard Lee Moyer, his brother Harold Moyer and his sister Mable Uphouse.

Gertrude Vry

Born: March 28, 1912

Died: October 10, 2003

Services will be held at: Gertrude Vry, 91, formerly of Liscomb, died Friday, October 10, 2003, at Oakview Care Center in Conrad. Funeral services will be held 2 P.M. Monday, October 13, 2003, at the Liscomb Church of Christ with burial to follow in the Vienna Cemetery near Beaman.

Visitation times are: Friends may call for visitation on Sunday from 12 to 5 P.M., at the Pursel-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory. The family will be present to greet friends from 12 to 3 P.M. A memorial fund has been established in her name.

Gertrude T. Vry, 91, formerly of Liscomb, Iowa, died Friday, October 10, 2003 at Oakview Care Center, Conrad. FUNERAL SERVICES will be held at 2:00 PM, on Monday, October 13, 2003, at the Liscomb Church of Christ with Helmer Peterson, officiating. INTERMENT will follow services in the Vienna Cemetery near Beaman. A

VISITATION will be from 12 to 5 P.M. Sunday at the Pursel-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory in Marshalltown, where the family will be present from 12 to 3 P.M. Memorials may be directed to the family in her name. Gertrude T. Vry was born on March 28, 1912 in Vienna Township of Grundy County, Iowa, the daughter of William and Trena Van Deest Wiese. She was raised and educated in the Charles City area. On August 26, 1932, Gertrude was united in marriage to Henry Vry at Bethany, Missouri. They returned to the Liscomb area where they farmed for many years. Gertrude was a member of the Liscomb Church of Christ, the church ladies aid, Senior Citizens Center and the Community Club of Liscomb. She loved making quilts, gardening and flowers. Gertrude is survived by her five children: John (Janet) Vry of Liscomb; Dale (Mary) Vry of Parkersburg; Charles (Kathy Herring) Vry of Ankeny; Ralph Vry and Elaine Vry, both of Marshalltown; Brother: Elvin Wiese of Parkersburg; Sister: Hattie Lehman of Marshalltown, Sister-in-law: Helen Wiese of Ackley; fourteen grandchildren and twenty-three great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by: her parents, husband Henry on May 26, 1972, two brothers-Wilbur and Lloyd Wiese, a brother in infancy, two grandsons and one great-granddaughter.

Virgil H. Wilkening

Born: November 13, 1919

Died: October 11, 2003

Services will be held at: Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Wednesday, October 15, 2003, at 10:30 A.M. at the St. Joseph's Catholic Church in State Center. Burial will follow in the St. Joseph's Cemetery with full military honors by members of Harlan G. Pfantz Post #122 of the American Legion.

Visitation times are: Friends may call for visitation on Tuesday from 5 to 9 P.M. at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, where the family will be present from 5 to 7 P.M. A Knights of Columbus Rosary will be recited at 6:00 P.M., and a Public Vigil Service will be held at 6:30 P.M., both Tuesday evening at the church. The Pursel-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory has been entrusted by the Wilkening family with the arrangements.

Virgil H. Wilkening, 83, a lifelong resident of State Center, died Saturday, October 11, 2003, at his home under the care of his family and Homeward Hospice of Ames. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10:30 AM, on Wednesday, October 15, 2003, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in State Center, with Father Jon Seda, officiating. INTERMENT will follow services in the St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery, State Center, with full military honors conducted by members of Harlan G. Pfantz Post #122 of the American Legion. A VISITATION will be from 5 to 9 P.M. Tuesday at the St. Joseph's Catholic Church where the family will be present from 5 to 7 P.M. A Knights of Columbus Rosary will be recited at 6:00 P.M. and a Public Vigil service at 6:30 P.M, both at the church on Tuesday evening. Memorials may be directed to the family in his name. The Pursel-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory has been entrusted by the Wilkening family with his arrangements. Virgil Henry Wilkening was born on November 13, 1919 in State Center, Iowa, the son of Henry C. and Hazel V. Arnold Wilkening. He

was raised and educated in the area of his birth, graduating from the State Center High School with the class of 1939. In high school he was active in many activities, including football and basketball. Virgil served in the United States Army Air Force during World War Two. He entered the military on March 18, 1943, and later served in the Asiatic and Pacific Theatres with the 41st Bomb Group. He was honorably discharged on January 12, 1946 at Fort MacArthur, California. On February 2, 1946, Virgil was united in marriage to Mary E. Connolly in Boston Massachusetts. He returned to the State Center area and began working with his father in the family business, Wilkening Electric. He retired in January of 1983 after a career of thirty-seven years. Virgil was very active during his life. He was a member of the St. Joseph's Catholic Church of State Center, Knights of Columbus (4th Degree), Harlan G. Pfantz Post #122 of the American Legion, 396th Bomb Squadron Association, 25 year member of the State Center Fire Department, State Center Lions Club, and the Lincoln Valley Golf Club. He had a Harley-Davidson when he was younger, and had many passions later in life including golf for the past twenty years, his computer, playing solitaire, watching football and basketball on the television, boating, camping, fishing and hunting. He will also be remembered by his family for his great cherry trees, and the wonderful pies he made. Virgil is survived by his wife of fifty-seven years: Mary Wilkening of State Center; three daughters and six grandchildren: Daria (Barry) Chesnut and their children Ryan and Patrick of Littleton, Colorado; Patty (Ray) Tresemer and their children Megan and Tom of Centerville; and Ginny (Steve) Garretson and their children Barry and Nicholas of Muscatine; sister: Evelyn Weuve and brother: Ronald (Jackie) Wilkening, both of Marshalltown. He was preceded in death by his parents, a brother Dwight Wilkening and a sister Marion Harrison.

Merrill E. "Kim" Kimberlin

Born: April 07, 1918

Died: October 09, 2003

Services will be held at: Funeral services will be held at 10:30 AM, on Monday, October 13, 2003, at Pursel-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory with Reverend Jerald Swanberg of the First United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will follow services at the Riverside Cemetery in Marshalltown.

Visitation times are: Visitation will be held on Sunday from 12 – 5 P.M. at Pursel-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory, where the family will be present to greet friends from 4 – 5 P.M. Memorials may be made in his name and directed to the family.

Merrill E. "Kim" Kimberlin was born April 7, 1918 in Marshalltown, the son of Harry S. and Kezia E. (Richeson) Kimberlin. He was raised and educated in Marshalltown where he graduated from the Marshalltown High School. On November 2, 1935, in Morris, Illinois he was united in marriage to Jean Hilquist. They made their home in Marshalltown where he owned and operated "Kim's" Drive-In Theater for 22 years. Merrill also owned and operated Kimberlin Real Estate for 10 years before moving to Ankeny in 1993. He was a member of the Marshalltown Board of Realtors, Trinity

Lutheran Church, the Marshall Masonic Lodge # 108 AF&AM, and was a Shriner and a Jester. Merrill E. Kimberlin is survived by his wife Jean of Ankeny, his daughter Patricia (Fred) Bunch, of Marshalltown, his daughter Sharon Berg and her friend Patrick Lynott of Marshalltown, his granddaughter Kathy (Robert) Bair of Marshalltown, his grandson John (Michelle) Bunch of Fishers, Indiana, his Great-Granddaughter Amanda Bair of Central City, Iowa, his Great-Granddaughter Amy Bair, of Marshalltown, his Great-Granddaughters Lauren, Lilianne & Sophie Bunch of Fishers, Indiana, N his Great-Great Granddaughter Emma Bair of Marshalltown, and his brother Wayne (Lois) Kimberlin of Gladstone Missouri. He was preceded in death by his parents Harry and Kezia, his brother Kenneth, his sister Avonelle and his son-in-law David Berg.

Gladys P. Turner

Born: May 13, 1908

Died: October 14, 2003

Services will be held at: Funeral services will be held on Friday, October 17, 2003, at 11:00 A.M. at the First United Methodist Church with Reverend Jerald Swanberg officiating. Private family burial will follow services at the Zearing Cemetery.

Visitation times are: Visitation will be held on Thursday, October 16, from 4-9 P.M. at Pursel-Davis Funeral Home and Crematory where the family will be present to greet friends from 4-6 P.M.

Gladys P. Turner was born May 13, 1908 to Thomas and Bessie (Bryant) Gilmore of St. Anthony, Iowa. She received her education in a country school at Liberty, Iowa and attended High School in St. Anthony. She married Leland Turner in August of 1925. Their family farmed in the St. Anthony and New Providence areas until moving to Marshalltown in 1942. Gladys was a homemaker, Brownie and Girl Scout Leader, and was a volunteer worker at the Marshalltown Hospital coffee-gift shop until going to work for Younkers in 1960 where she worked for 31 years until retiring in 1991. Gladys was a member of the First United Methodist Church and played in the Ember's "Kitchen Band." Gladys is survived by her three daughters; Jean (James) Redepenning of Ames, Norma (Dr. William) Speer of DeWitt, and Marlene (Clair) Hartwig of Marshalltown, her ten grandchildren, and twenty-five great-grandchildren. Gladys was preceded in death by her husband Leland in 1968, her two sisters, a brother, an infant daughter and a great-grandchild in 2002

Nadine Raeder

Born: July 10, 1921

Died: October 11, 2003

Services will be held at: Funeral services will be held at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, October 15, 2003, at Pursel Davis Funeral Home and Crematory with Reverend Linda Schmidt officiating. Burial will follow services in the Melbourne Cemetery. A memorial fund has been established in her name with memorials being directed to her family. Visitation times are: Friends may call for visitation one hour prior to the services at Pursel-Davis Funeral Home and Crematory where the family will be present to greet friends.

Ernest Gene Buchanan

Born: February 06, 2003

Died: October 15, 2003

Services will be held at: Following cremation at Pursel-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory, Memorial Services will be held on Friday, October 17, 2003 at 2:00 PM at the Center Street Baptist Church with Pastor Bobby Shomo officiating. Private family burial will take place at a later date.

Visitation times are: No visitation is planned at this time.

Gene was born on February 6, 1931 in Marshalltown the son of Fred L. and Edith R. (Castell) Buchanan. He was raised and educated in Marshalltown. On September 16, 1950, in Marshalltown, he was united in marriage to Mary Petrie. Following their marriage they made their home in Dunbar, Quarry, Custer, South Dakota, and Gilman. Gene worked many years for Lennox Industries retiring in 1981. He enjoyed woodworking, fishing, hunting and collecting. Gene is survived by his wife Mary Buchanan of Gilman, his daughter Marcia (Jeff) Stowe, of Dunbar, his daughter Jean (Loren) Sieck, of Toledo, his son James (Tina) Buchanan, of Gilman, his son Dennis (Karen) Buchanan, of Gilman, his son Steve (Nanette) Buchanan of Custer, South Dakota, his brother Robert Butch (Marian) Buchanan of Marshalltown his brother Fred Buchanan, of Great Falls, Montana, his brother Edward Albert Buchanan, of Fertile, Iowa, his sister Betty Piper of Marshalltown. Gene was preceded in death by his parents Fred and Edith, his brother Vern, and his sister Mary.