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Steff-Mattera Funeral Home

188 East State St.

Albion, Pa 16401

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From Ohio, I-90 to Exit 2 (Rt. 6N), turn right off the ramp and follow US Rt. 6N for six miles.

From I-79 take the Edinboro –Albion exit, Exit 165, take US Rt. 6N, West 10 miles.

From I-90, take exit 9, Girard-Platea exit, take Rt. 18 south into Albion.

CONDOLENCES

For further info or to send condolences to a family, please contact us at: info@stefffuneralhome.com

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* (Obituaries will appear on website for 30 days)

OBITUARIES



Paulette L. Eshbaugh

Paulette L. Eshbaugh, 64, of Albion, went to be with the Lord on Friday, May 8, 2009 after a lengthy illness. She was born September 14, 1944 in Meadville, daughter of the late Homer and Pearl Vogt Plyler. Paulette was a member of Grace United Methodist Church in Albion, and she enjoyed spending time with her family and grandchildren. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Robert Lindsey. Survivors include four children; Diana Brackett and her husband, Edwin, of Shelby, NC, Michael, David, & Brian Lindsey, all of Albion, a brother, Jack Plyler and his wife, Leann, of Geneva, OH, and a sister, Mary Thomas and her husband, Raymond, of Meadville. Also surviving are 4 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild. There will be no calling hours or funeral service. Private funeral arrangements are being handled by the **Steff-Mattera Funeral Home**, 188 East State Street, Albion. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Grace United Methodist Church, 49 Franklin Street, Albion, PA 16401.



Helen Bookshar-Timm, 85, of Albion, Pennsylvania, died peacefully on Saturday, May 2, 2009 at Fairmount Health Center of Breckenridge Village in Willoughby, Ohio. She is survived by her three sons, Dan, Duane (Barb) and Regis (Susan) in the Cleveland area as well as three grandchildren, Jesse of Columbus, Jodie and Rob of Cleveland and many nieces and nephews. She was born in McKees Rocks, Pennsylvania in 1924, the daughter of Zuzanna and John Pangrac. After she married George Bookshar in 1942 they lived in Republic, Pennsylvania where their 3 sons were born. The family moved to Cleveland, Ohio in 1956 where she became active with the St. James Lutheran Church in East Cleveland. Their home was always available for her church group and her sons and their friends. She worked for many years at the Bailey Meter Company. In 1974 Helen and George bought a 75 acre farm in Albion, Pennsylvania. They spent their weekends rebuilding the farm house and moved there following her retirement in 1985. They enjoyed gardening, camping, and becoming active in such organizations as the Grange. George passed away in 1989. Her way of life in Albion had become very important to her. She gave her time to the Red Cross and the Senior Center as well as the Elk Creek Township Historical Society of which she became president in 1995. When Helen married Henry Timm in 1994 she added to her family his daughter Carol Kapala, now deceased, (Ron), and son Robert Timm (Debbie). Henry also had 4 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren that Helen enjoyed spending time with. Henry died in 2007. She is remembered both in Cleveland and in Albion for her hospitality. Her home-made pieroghis and blueberry pie, with blueberries grown on her farm, were always considered "the best". She enjoyed reading and playing cards. Helen was an expert at many crafts including crocheting, quilting and sewing. Whether making afghans, hats for newborns, quilts for her grandchildren, or items for the Red Cross, she was always willing to contribute her time and talents. Even during the last weeks of her life, she was busy making miniature crocheted hats and afghans for premature infants. The family prefers that those who wish may make contributions in her name to Elk Creek Township Historical Society or the American Cancer Society. Friends and family in the Cleveland area may call at the Brown-Forward Funeral Home, 17022 Chagrin Blvd., Shaker Hts., Ohio on Friday, May 8th from 5-8pm. Friends in the Albion area may call at the Steff-Mattera Funeral Home, 188 East State Street, Albion, Pennsylvania on Saturday, May 9th from 11am-1pm. A memorial service will follow at 1pm.



Carol J. (Stiffler) Taylor
“loving wife, mother and grandmother”

Carol J. Taylor, 70, of Cranesville, went home to her Lord and Savior on Friday, May 1, 2009 after a courageous battle with cancer. She was the daughter of the late George Sidney and Lucille (Lawrence) Stiffler, born on December 10, 1938 in Cranesville. Carol was a member of Grace United Methodist Church in Albion where she enjoyed singing in the choir for the past 34 years. She was a 1956 graduate of Albion High School and worked for 18 years as the office manager/secretary/treasurer for the church. Carol enjoyed sewing, embroidering, gardening and spending time with her 17 grandchildren. She leaves behind to cherish dear memories of her, her husband of 51 years Vergil Taylor. Survivors include her children and their families: Jeffrey and Suzan Taylor of Erie and their daughters Joanna Taylor and Emily and Ryan Swearingen; Philip and Laurie Taylor of Vermontville, MI and their children, Aaron, Stephen, Luke, Molly, Jordan, and Nathan; Kimberly and Stephen Scully of McKean and their children, Taylor, Kayla, Connor, and Kyle; and Kevin and Dawn Taylor of Stafford, VA and their children, Katie, Caleb, Camryn, Christian, and Carter. Survivors also include a sister, Doris McDonald and her husband Roy and a brother, Maurice Stiffler, all of Cranesville, and many nieces and nephews. Friends may call at Grace United Methodist Church, 49 Franklin Street, Albion on Sunday, May 3rd from 3 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. The funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday, May 4th at Grace United Methodist Church with Reverend Larry A. Reitz officiating. Burial will follow at Hope Cemetery, Wellsburg. Memorials may be made to the Grace United Methodist Church Tower Fund, 49 Franklin Street, Albion, PA 16401. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of the Steff-Mattera Funeral Home, 188 East State Street, Albion.



Lois J. Taylor

Lois was born August 26, 1936 in Cleveland, OH, daughter of the late Theodore and Nina Elliott Loepp. She was one of ten children of the Loepps. She was preceded in death by her daughter, Charlotte, two sisters, Marian Ball and Evelyn Newman, also by three brothers, Richard, Paul, and Donald Loepp. She is survived by two sons, Charles of Albion, Tracey of Meadville, three daughters, Charleen Blood of Massachusetts, Carrie Overmier, and Christine Hill of Meadville. Also survived by one sister, Catherine Hill of Maryland, and three brothers, Theodore Loepp Jr. of Girard, Roy and Dan Loepp of Springboro. Lois enjoyed planting flowers and tomato plants, especially gladiolas. She enjoyed playing bingo. Lois has 18 grandchildren and 18 great grandchildren which she enjoyed very much. There will be no calling hours or funeral service. Burial will be private by the family. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, 2115 West 38th Street, Erie, PA 16506. The **Steff-Mattera Funeral Home**, 188 East State Street, Albion, is handling the funeral arrangements.



Brandon Voorhis

Brandon Voorhis, 20, of Albion, passed away Wednesday, April 29, 2009 at his residence. He was born August 6, 1988 in Erie, son of the late Harry Voorhis. His mother, Terrie Gibbons Voorhis and William Hull, both of Albion, survive. Also surviving are three brothers, Cameron Voorhis and Joshua Voorhis, both of Albion, and Harry Voorhis of Erie. Brandon was a 2007 graduate of Northwestern High School. Visitation will be held at the **Steff-Mattera Funeral Home**, 188 East State Street, Albion, on Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m. Burial will be held privately by the family. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the family c/o the Steff-Mattera Funeral Home.



L. Wayne Goldhart

L. Wayne Goldhart, 53, of Albion, passed away Friday, April 24, 2009 as the result of a logging accident. He was born December 20, 1955 in Erie, son of Leonard and Phyllis (Fobes) Goldhart of Albion. He retired from Morlite Systems where he worked as a welder. Wayne enjoyed hunting for arrowheads, riding his atv, and loved the great outdoors. In addition to his parents, he is survived by his wife of 6 years, Barbara (Dombrowski) Goldhart, of Albion, two daughters, Jessica Sevening and her husband, Mark, Kelsey Goldhart, and one grandson, Ian Sevening, all of Colorado Springs, CO, three sisters, Pamela Lasher and her husband, John, Sue Smith and her husband, Sam, Cara Hetzer and her husband, Don, and several nieces and nephews. No calling hours will be observed. The family will hold a private memorial service at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the A.N.N.A. Shelter, 1555 East 10th Street, Erie, PA 16511. The **Steff-Mattera Funeral Home**, 188 East State Street, Albion, is handling the funeral arrangements.



Willard 'Bill' Gustafson

Willard 'Bill' Gustafson was born in Kane, PA, son of the late Willard and Clara Gustafson. He graduated from East High School and attended college at Upsala College and Gannon University. He retired in 1987 having worked for Halls Trucking and Hammermill. Bill was very involved with the Teamster's Union and he loved the computer and reading. He was preceded in death by wives Norma and Geraldine, sons David, Michael, and William, and a grandson J.R. He leaves behind a close friend and companion, Charlotte Wolf, and children, Nancy Rea and her husband, Terry, of Girard, Jacqueline Machacek and her husband, Ed, of Waterford, Gerald Mitchell of McIntyre, GA, Richard Mitchell and his wife, Debra, of Elizabeth City, NC, 3 sisters, Mrs. John (Carol) Peterson of Dunellon, FL, Mrs. Michael (Jean) Carson of Medina, OH, Mrs. Jim (Susan) Vogel of North Huntingdon, PA. Further survived by 12 grandchildren, 14 great grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews. Friends may call the **Steff-Mattera Funeral Home**, 188 East State Street, Albion, on Sunday from 1 p.m. until the time of a funeral service there at 3 p.m. Burial will be in Venango Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association, 823 Filmore Ave., Erie, PA 16505.



Mary Bowen

Mary Bowen, age 59, of Albion, passed away Saturday, April 11, 2009 at Pleasant Ridge Manor – West. She was born December 18, 1949 in Erie, daughter of the late Lloyd and Alice Schauburger Bowen. Mary worked at the Gertrude Barber Center Workshop in Girard for over 30 years. She is survived by several aunts, uncles, & cousins. Friends may call the **Steff-Mattera Funeral Home**, 188 East State Street, Albion, on Wednesday from 5 to 8 p.m. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at St. Lawrence Roman Catholic Church on Thursday at 10 a.m. with Fr. Chris Hamlett officiating. Burial will follow in Albion Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Gertrude A. Barber Center, 1126 Lake Street, Girard, PA 16417.