

DEATHS/EASTERN IOWA

CEDAR RAPIDS

Norman L. Bischof, 71, of 4300 Mount Vernon Rd. SE, died Friday, Feb. 13, 1998, in Mercy Medical Center following a brief illness. Services: 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, St. Paul's United Methodist Church, by the Rev. Lloyd Brockmeyer. Burial with military rites: Campbell Cemetery. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Monday at Murdoch-Linwood Funeral Home.

Survivors include his wife, Betty; a son, Rick and wife Brenda of Marion; two daughters, Vicky Jaramillo and husband Jesse of Colorado Springs, Colo., and Holly Bier-schenk and husband Mark of Shellsburg; a daughter-in-law, Marilyn Bischof of Cedar Rapids; a half-brother, William Bischof of Des Moines; eight grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a son, Norm Jr.; a sister; and two brothers.

Born April 9, 1926, in Iowa City, he married Betty J. Midkiff on Aug. 13, 1946, in Cedar Rapids. He served with the Army during World War II and was employed by the City of Cedar Rapids for 14 years, retiring in 1990. He was a member of St. Paul's United Methodist Church, Lisbon American Legion Post 109 and Chat-a-box at Asbury United Methodist Church.

Military rites by Lisbon American Legion Post 109.

A memorial fund has been established.



CEDAR RAPIDS

Bernice E. Zavoral, 90, of Manor Care, died there, Friday, Feb. 13, 1998, after a long illness. Services: 3 p.m. Monday, Cedar Memorial Chapel of Memories. Burial: Cedar Memorial Park Cemetery. Friends may call from 3 to 6 p.m. Sunday at Cedar Memorial Funeral Home.

Survivors include a son, Nolan of St. Paul, Minn.

Also surviving are two nieces, Linda Zavoral and Peggy Summy.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Gladys Summy.

Bernice was born on March 8, 1907, in Cedar Rapids and graduated from Coe College. She married George F. Zavoral on Feb. 14, 1937, in Manchester. He died in 1992. Bernice taught school for several years and later worked in the office for The Cedar Rapids Gazette.

Memorial donations may be given to the Coe College Alumni Fund.

ARLINGTON

Orville Corbin, 88, died Friday, Feb. 13, 1998, in Palmer Lutheran Health Center, West Union, after a long illness. Services: 10:30 a.m. Monday, Jamison-Schmitz Funeral Home, Arlington, by Tom Bond. Burial: Wadena Cemetery, Wadena. Friends may call from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday and after 9:30 a.m. Monday at the funeral home.

Survivors include his wife, Laura.

Also surviving is a sister-in-law, Bernice Corbin, and many nieces and nephews.

AINSWORTH

Helen Norris, 73, died Friday, Feb. 13, 1998, in Washington County Hospital, Washington, after a long illness. Services: 10:30 a.m. Monday, Jones and Eden Funeral Home, Washington. Burial: Oregon Township Cemetery, Ainsworth. Friends may call after noon Sunday at the funeral home, where the family will be present from 4 to 6 p.m.

Survivors include four daughters, Pat Norris of Minneapolis, Linda Norris of Coon Rapids, Minn., Debbie Gilchrist of Ainsworth, and Cindy Ballard of Coralville; a son, Roger of Ainsworth; a brother, Frank Janeczek of Washington; and a sister, Georgia Miksch of Ainsworth.

ANAMOSA

Vivian B. Lundeen, 95, of Anamosa Care Center, died Thursday, Feb. 12, 1998, in the care center, after a lingering illness. Services: 1 p.m. Monday, Cedar Memorial Chapel of Memories, Cedar Rapids. Burial: Springville Cemetery. Friends may call from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday at Cedar Memorial Funeral Home, Cedar Rapids.

Survivors include a daughter, Phyllis Lerch of Anamosa.

Also surviving are four grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two sisters and a step-sister.

Vivian was born on June 22, 1902, in Peoria, Ill., the daughter of Frank and Minnie Davis. She was married two times, and both of her husbands preceded her in death. Vivian worked at Killians and Craemers Department Stores for several years. She was a 50-year member of the Order of Eastern Star and attended the Martelle Methodist Church.

There will be Eastern Star Services at the funeral service.

DELTA

Harriet L. Wymore, 73, died Thursday, Feb. 12, 1998, in her home, from a heart ailment. Services: 2 p.m. Monday, Harden Funeral Chapel, What Cheer, by the Rev. Vince Homan of Delta Methodist Church. Burial: Garrett Cemetery. Friends may call after 10 a.m. Sunday at the funeral home, where the family will be present from 2 to 4 p.m.

Survivors include a sister, Helen Kensler of West Burlington, and a brother, Dale Leathers of Lamar, Colo.

ELKADER

John J. Miller, 73, died Friday, Feb. 13, 1998, in Elkader Care Center, following a long illness. Arrangements are pending at Leonard Funeral Home, Elkader.

HOPKINTON

Francis Schilling, 69, died Friday, Feb. 13, 1998, in Dyersville following a sudden illness. Arrangements are pending at Goettsch Funeral Home, Hopkinton.

NEW VIENNA

Lois Lansing, 61, of rural New Vienna, died Friday, Feb. 13, 1998, in her home, after a long illness. Arrangements are pending at Kramer Funeral Home, Dyersville.

GUERNSEY

Elna Evelyn Seyo, 92, died Friday, Feb. 13, 1998, in St. Luke's Hospital, Cedar Rapids, of congestive heart failure. Services: 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Smith Funeral Home, Victor, by the Rev. Torger Johnson. Burial: Ohio Cemetery, Ladora. Friends may call from noon to 9 p.m. today, where family will be present from 4 to 8 p.m.

Survivors include two daughters, Beverly Ann King and spouse Lee of Guernsey and Bona Mae Ritchie and spouse Carol of Marion; a sister, Delpha Begunck of Marengo; five grandchildren and their spouses, David and Janet King, Douglas and Joani King, Dianne King, Craig and Cherie Ritchie and Christine Ritchie; five great-grandchildren, Clayton King, Abigail and Allyson Ritchie, Rachel and Alyssa King; and one step-great-granddaughter, Casey Aschan.

She was preceded in death by her husband, René in 1994, and infant son, Charles.

Elna was a teacher for 25 years, serving in various area schools.

A memorial fund has been established in her name.

IOWA CITY

Coletta E. Bekker, 92, formerly of Iowa City, died Thursday, Feb. 12, 1998, in Solon Nursing Care Center, following a lengthy illness. Funeral Mass: 10 a.m. Monday, St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Iowa City, by the Rev. James Vrba. Burial: St. Mary's Cemetery, Nichols. Friends may call from 3 to 7 p.m. Sunday at Lensing Funeral & Cremation Service, where a vigil service will be held at 7 p.m.

Survivors include four daughters, Betty Forbes of Lone Tree, Mary Kasper, Carol Bekker and Bonnie Gilroy, all of Iowa City; a sister, Connie Krotz of Cedar Rapids; and two brothers, Bernard Deatsch of Parnell and Robert Deatsch of Ventura, Calif.

Bessie Louise Bivens services are postponed until further notice. The George L. Gay Funeral Home and Crematorium, Iowa City, are in charge of arrangements.

Lavelle F. "Shorty" Martin, 71, of 2027 Union Rd., died Friday, Feb. 13, 1998, in his home, after a long illness. Services: 11 a.m. Monday, George L. Gay Funeral Home & Crematorium, by the Rev. Rick Yramategui. Burial: Tipton Masonic Cemetery. Friends may call from 4 to 7 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

Survivors include his wife, Alice; a daughter, Valerie Martin, and a son, Terry, both of Iowa City; two brothers, Carl and wife June of Iowa City and Ronald and wife Dixie of Tipton; a sister, Betty Rickard and husband Robert of Tipton; his mother, Lillian Keffer of Tipton; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father; a sister; an infant daughter, Maryanna Sue Martin; and a son, Kerry Lee Martin.

Shorty was born Jan. 27, 1927, in Cedar County, the son of Albert and Lillian Straub Martin. Shorty attended schools in Cedar County. After serving in the Navy, Shorty worked as a mechanic and was an over-the-road truck driver, hauling livestock. He later drove as a stunt driver for Jole Chitwood Stunt Shows from 1952 to 1964. In 1963, he began working as a crane operator for what was then Deweys Wrecker & Crane, and continued to work for John's Crane Service until his retirement in 1992.

Shorty married Alice Deerberg on April 27, 1958, in Tipton. The couple moved to Iowa City in 1963. He attended Faith United Church of Christ in Iowa City and was a member of Iowa City American Legion Post No. 17.

Memorials may be sent to The Shorty Martin Memorial Fund.

KEYSTONE

Roy Pickering, 86, died Friday, Feb. 13, 1998, in St. Luke's Hospital, Cedar Rapids, following a short illness. Services: 11 a.m. Monday, St. John Lutheran Church, Newhall, by the Rev. Steven Rempfer. Burial: Keystone Cemetery. Friends may call from 3 to 8 p.m. Sunday at Phillips Funeral Home, Vinton.

Survivors include a daughter, Kay Albertsen of Van Horne and two sons, Lynn of Newhall and Larry of Urbana.

Also surviving is a son-in-law, Don Albertsen; two daughters-in-law, Delores and Donna; eight grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; two step-great-grandchildren; a sister, Norma Parizek of Keystone; and a brother, Ervin and wife Velma of Keystone.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Evelyn, in 1994; a daughter, Joanne; a grandson, Mark; four brothers, Albert, George, Lester and Leonard; and a sister, Alice Fisher.

A memorial fund has been established.

WALFORD

Frances A. Miller, 81, died Friday, Feb. 13, 1998, in St. Luke's Hospital, Cedar Rapids. Arrangements are pending at Brosh Chapel, Cedar Rapids.

MAQUOKETA

Harold L. Machael, 85, died Thursday, Feb. 12, 1998, in his home, following a sudden illness. Services: 11 a.m. Monday, Haylock-O'Hara & Lahey Funeral Home, Maquoketa, by the Rev. Clair Odell of First United Methodist Church. Burial: Mount Hope Cemetery. Friends may call from 3 to 7 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home, where a service will be held at 5 p.m.

Survivors include a daughter, Linda Adams of San Francisco, Calif.; a son, Hal of Maquoketa; and a sister, Marion Moss of Lancaster, Calif.



MARENGO

Alan G. Christoffersen, 66, died Friday, Feb. 13, 1998, in his home, following a brief illness. Arrangements are pending at Kloster-Valentine Funeral Home, Marengo.

Eldan H. Teggatz, 74, died Thursday, Feb. 12, 1998, in Brookhaven Nursing Home, Brooklyn, after an extended illness. Services: 10 a.m. Monday, St. John's Lutheran Church, by the Rev. Douglas Morton. Burial: Marengo Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday at Kloster-Valentine Funeral Home, Marengo.

Survivors include two daughters, Carol Jean Lindsay of Marengo and Pauline Berhenke of Taylor Ridge, Ill.; grandchildren, Ernest Wayne Berhenke Jr. of Moline, Ill., Jodi Toney of Taylor Ridge, Ill., Pam Deppe of Cedar Rapids, Matthew Berhenke of Cedar Rapids, Rob Lindsay of Marengo and Jim Lindsay of Belle Plaine; five great-grandchildren; two sisters, Alma Zuber of Marengo and Ella Minks of Belle Flower, Calif.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Ruth in 1989; his parents; a brother, Ervin; and a sister, Edna Teggatz.

A memorial fund has been established.

MONONA

Gordon Schultz, 85, died Friday, Feb. 13, 1998, in Good Samaritan Center, Postville, after a long illness. Arrangements are pending at Schultz's Funeral Home, Monona.

SUMNER

Laura S. Potratz, 95, died Thursday, Feb. 12, 1998, in Hillcrest Home, after a brief illness. Services: 11 a.m. Monday, St. John Lutheran Church, by the Rev. John Sorenson and the Rev. Norman Stubbendick. Burial: St. John Lutheran Cemetery. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Sunday at Becker-Milnes Funeral Home, Sumner, and an hour before services Monday at the church.

Survivors include two sons, John of North Highlands, Calif., and Ray of Dubuque.

TIPTON

Everett "Buster" Miller, 90, died Friday, Feb. 13, 1998, in Simpson Memorial Home, West Liberty, after a lingering illness. Services: 10:30 a.m. Monday, Fry Funeral Home, Tipton. Burial: Tipton Masonic Cemetery. Friends may call from 3 to 6 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

Survivors include his wife, Gladys and a son, Don Baker of Wilton.

TOLEDO

Andrea Welch, 24, died Thursday, Feb. 12, 1998. Arrangements are pending at Hand Funeral Home, Toledo.

WASHINGTON

Orville S. Flory, 86, died Thursday, Feb. 12, 1998, in United Presbyterian Home, following a lengthy illness. Services: 1 p.m. Sunday, Jones and Eden Funeral Home, Washington. Burial: English River Church of the Brethren Cemetery, South English. Friends may call after noon Saturday at the funeral home, where the family will be present from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

Survivors include three sons, Jerry of Washington, Russell of Hindsville, Ark. and Roger of McKinney, Texas; and a brother, Harold of Wichita, Kan.

WEST AMANA

Joyce M. Unglenk, 64, died Thursday, Feb. 12, 1998, in St. Luke's Hospital, Cedar Rapids, following complications during surgery. Memorial services: 2 p.m. Monday, St. John's Lutheran Church, Marengo, by the Rev. Douglas Morton. Burial: Marengo Cemetery. The family will receive friends after noon Monday at the church. Kloster-Valentine Funeral Home, Marengo, is in charge of arrangements.

VINTON

Dorothy M. Carlson, 85, died Thursday, Feb. 12, 1998, in Vinton Lutheran Home, following an extended illness. Services: 10:30 a.m. Monday, Phillips Funeral Home Chapel, by the Rev. Kathy Raines. Burial: Evergreen Cemetery. Friends may call from 4 to 7 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Cheryl and Jim Dickerson of Cedar Rapids; a son and daughter-in-law, Charles and Kristen Carlson of Dallas, Texas; two grandchildren, Charles Dickerson and wife Nicole of Des Moines, and Cynthia Dickerson of Cedar Rapids; and a niece and a nephew.

She was preceded in death by her husband; her parents; a brother, Charles Prescott; and a sister, Margaret Prescott.

She was born in Vinton on May 24, 1912, to Oscar and Esther Boostrom Prescott. She graduated from Vinton High School in 1930. On Aug. 7, 1932, she married George Carlson in Lake Park. George died Jan. 13, 1983.

A former Vinton Women's Club "Woman of the Year," Dorothy loved spending time with her family and friends, golfing, sewing, and playing bridge. She was a member of Wesley United Methodist Church, the American Legion Auxiliary, Class and Literature, and a lifetime member of the Vinton Country Club.

Memorials may be given to the Vinton Lutheran Home or Wesley United Methodist Church.

John E. Gibbs Sr., 68, died Friday, Feb. 13, 1998, in Virginia Gay Hospital, after an extended illness. Arrangements are pending at Phillips Funeral Home, Vinton.

ZWINGLE

John J. Wild, 92, died Friday, Feb. 13, 1998, in his home, rural Zwingle, after a lengthy illness. Friends may call from 2 to 6 p.m. Sunday at Carson & Son Funeral Home, Maquoketa, where further arrangements are pending.

SERVICES

Cleo Hartman: 2 p.m. today, Murdoch-Linwood Funeral Home. Burial: Linwood Cemetery, Cedar Rapids.

Helen Lucile Henecke, Memorial services: 11 a.m. today, Cedar Memorial Chapel of Memories, by the Rev. Carroll Brown of Salem United Methodist Church. Inurnment: Cedar Memorial Park Cemetery. Instead of flowers, a memorial fund has been established for Salem United Methodist Church.

Jeanette Mae Hopkins: 1 p.m. Monday, Gospel Tabernacle Church, by the Rev. Paul Beets, where the family will greet friends from 10 a.m. until service time. Burial: Linwood Cemetery. Arrangements by Murdoch-Linwood Funeral Home.

IN MEMORY OF

**Valentine Angels
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Wasson**

Your legacies linger;
faith trusts we'll
not be separated
eternally.

— Love,
Kimberly Wasson

**My Beloved Brother
David Joseph Gunderson**

You are gone but not forgotten.
And someday I know we will
see each other again.

— Your Loving Sister,
Debra Hiles

Death penalty won't be sought for 3

SIoux CITY (AP) — Prosecutors said Friday they will not seek the death penalty against three of the remaining federal defendants in the case of a slain 15-year-old Estherville boy.

No decision has been reached in the case of the other federal defendant, accused ring-leader Luis Lua, 22, of Estherville, but Lua apparently has agreed to plead guilty to avoid the possibility of the death penalty.

U.S. District Attorney Steve Rapp said Attorney General Janet Reno ruled that prosecutors could not seek capital punishment against Sara Kozak, Aurelio Ortiz and Ramiro Astello, who are among a total of 10

defendants charged in the death of Gregory "Sky" Erickson.

Rapp declined to discuss the Lua case except to say that U.S. District Judge Mark Bennett in Sioux City has set a hearing for Tuesday for the specific purpose of accepting a change of plea by Lua.

The death penalty is not an option in Iowa state cases, but six defendants were accused under federal statutes because the crime occurred in two states. The defendants are accused of kidnapping Erickson in Iowa and killing him in Minnesota.

If Lua pleads guilty, that will bring to four the number of defendants who have accepted plea agreements in state or federal court. Kozak, Ortiz and Astello, all of Estherville, will go on trial in Sioux City June 29.

Of the three others, one still faces state charges, one is still at large, and one, Ryan Wedeband, is on trial in Spencer.

Backbone: Donations still welcome

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husband, Gene, hosted a noon meal for truck drivers and heavy equipment operators when they were working.

"That's a small town for you," said Elaine Gibbs, Scott's wife, as she helped serve the noon meal. "The businesses and individuals are making sure there is food night and day."

The community is doing more than donating casseroles. Bushaw won't say how much money has been raised. The volunteers

surpassed their first goal of \$20,000 but haven't reached their \$50,000 goal, she says.

Bushaw, who says the volunteers are just beginning to pay their bills, are still taking contributions. Donations to the excavation effort are being accepted by the Strawberry Point Economic Development Commission at P.O. Box 85, Strawberry Point 52076. For tax purposes, "Save Backbone Lake" should be written on contributions.

Police identify D.M. murder victim

DES MOINES (AP) — The search continued Friday for suspects in the death of a 44-year-old woman whose burned body was found under a bridge.

Police identified the woman as Susan Hagen of Des Moines and said there were no suspects. Her body was found Thursday morning by a man walking his dog along the Des Moines River.

"Detectives are currently

looking for an individual who is not only a killer, but, judging by the treatment of the victim, a very demented human being," Sgt. Bruce Elrod said at a press conference Friday afternoon.

Elrod said Hagen was burned all over her body and was mostly nude when she was found.

He said it had not been determined if Hagen had been sexually assaulted.



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