

James Thomas Kesler, Jr.

James Thomas Kesler, Jr. (J.T.), 65, of Roanoke, passed away on Wednesday, May 3, 2006. He attended Mitchell College and the University of Virginia, and was employed with Ingersoll Rand Company for 34 years and 2 years with Atlas Copco Drilling Solutions of Garland, Texas as a product engineer. JT was a self-starter in the well business and traveled extensively throughout the world sharing and teaching his knowledge. He was a member of Cave Spring United Methodist Church and enjoyed snowmobiling, off shore fishing, Nascar and VT football games. JT was predeceased by his parents, James Thomas Kesler, Sr. and Ruth Grisso Kesler; and a brother, Engle W. Kesler, Sr. He is survived by his wife of 39 years, Linda Byrd Kesler; sister, Nadine V. Kesler; sister-in-law, Beverly Cockram and her husband, Dave; three brothers-in-law, Kent Byrd, Glenn Byrd and his wife, Carol, Wayne Byrd, all of Roanoke; one uncle, Hugh Whitlow; and many nieces, nephews and cousins. The family would like to express a special Thank You to the dedicated Nursing Staff at Carilion Roanoke Memorial Hospital on PCU 10 M and SICU on 10 M. A funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 6, 2006 at Oakey's South Chapel with Pastor Patrick Collins officiating. Interment will follow in Evergreen Burial Park. The family will receive friends on Friday from 5 to 8 p.m. at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the American Heart Assoc., 4504 Starkey Rd., Suite 115, Roanoke, Va. 24014 or the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 554, Roanoke, Va. 24003-0554. Arrangements by Oakey's South Chapel, 989-3131.

Samuel Zimmerman, Sr.

Frederick News-Post, January 21, 2002

Mr. Samuel Grafton Zimmerman Sr., 76, of 8600 Chestnut Grove Road, Frederick, died Friday, Jan. 18, at Frederick Memorial Hospital. He was the husband of Evelyn Werking Zimmerman, his wife of 52 years. Born June 28, 1925, in Jefferson, he was a son of the late Edgar and Nellie Tyler Zimmerman. Mr. Zimmerman was a retired local dairy farmer. Most recently he and his wife owned Zimmerman's Antique Barn. His antiques business gave him the opportunity to refinish furniture, a task he enjoyed. Mr. Zimmerman was a member of Mount Zion Lutheran Church, Frederick. Surviving in addition to his wife are two children, Janet Darlene Bowen and husband Carol of Frederick, and Bonnie Zimmerman Lear of Fayetteville, Pa.; three granddaughters, Elizabeth Zimmerman Benitez and husband Humberto of Thurmont, and Cassie and Laura Bowen, both of Frederick; one great-grandson, Brandon Benitez of Thurmont; three sisters, Marie Linton of Frederick, Dorothy Kline of Hagerstown, and Robert Harris of Florida; and numerous nieces and nephews. Mr. Zimmerman was preceded in death by one son, Samuel Zimmerman Jr., in 1979; two sisters, Catherine and Mae Morgan; and four brothers, George, Joshua, Howard and Robert Zimmerman. The family will receive friends from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Monday, Jan. 21, at Keeney and Basford Funeral Home, 106 E. Church St., Frederick. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 22, at the funeral home, with Mr. Zimmerman's pastor, the Rev. John F. Bromhal of Mount Zion Lutheran Church, officiating. Interment will be in Mount Olivet Cemetery, Frederick. Memorial contributions may be made to Mount Zion Lutheran Church, 5717 Mount Phillip Road, Frederick, Md. 21703.

Juanita Minnix

Juanita Williams Minnix born October 13, 1918, left this earthly place to be in her Heavenly home on Wednesday, March 4, 2009. She was surrounded by her family, daughter, Sue Ann and Ashley Lilly, of Winston-Salem; two sons, Dan and Bettye Minnix, of Surprise, Ariz., and Ron and Becky Minnix, of WinstonSalem. Juanita spent her early life in Roanoke, Va., graduating from Jefferson High School after attending the Blue Ridge Mission School in Buffalo Ridge, Va. She and her family moved to Winston-Salem, N.C., in 1961. Her time in WinstonSalem was spent working in both retail clothing and Winkler Bakery in Old Salem. She was survived by five grandchildren, Gina and Kevin Johnson, of Roanoke, Va., Carole Sue and Bernie Butler, of Kernersville, Boyd Minnix and friend, Paul Krenn, of Chicago, Ill., Brian and Michelle Minnix, of Phoenix, Ariz., and Grant Minnix of Winston-Salem. Also she is survived by two greatgrandchildren, Corey and Brianna Minnix, of Phoenix, Ariz. Preceding her in death were her father, Peter D. Williams; and mother, Emma Dent Williams; her husband of 61 years, Boyd A. Minnix; and a son, David G. Minnix. This sweet, loving mother, grandmother and friend will be missed by all. Our Lord has blessed her family and friends with 90 years of unending love and joy. Her memory will live on. Donations, in her memory, may be made to the Kate B. Reynolds Hospice Home, 101 Hospice Lane, Winston-Salem, N.C. 27103 or First Christian Church, 2320 Country Club Road, Winston-Salem, N.C. 27104. Services will be held 3 p.m. on Saturday, March 7, 2009, at the First Christian Church of Winston-Salem. The internment will be held 11 a.m. on Monday, March 9, 2009, at Evergreen Cemetery in Roanoke, Va.

Thornton Brown Titus, Jr.

Husband of Grace Balestra Titus, father of Patricia Ann both of W Lanham Hills, Md. Son of Thornton and Lula Titus of Cabin John, Md. Brother of Ellen Skinner, Elizabeth Witt, Ralph E Titus and Margaret Edmiston. T.B. Titus was only 36 yrs of age and succumbed to a heart attack while visiting the home of his sister, Margaret Edmiston. He was employed at the Government Printing Office in Washington, D.C. He was also a founding member of the West Lanham Hills Volunteer Fire Department.

Philip Franklin Virts

Services for Phillip Franklin Virts, 67, of Murray will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Imes-Miller Funeral Home in Murray. The Rev. Elijah Balentine will officiate. Burial will be at Kirksey Cemetery. Mr. Virts died at 9:30 p.m. Friday at Murray-Calloway County Hospital. He was a member of WATCH and a custodian at Murray Police Department for over 17 years. Surviving are his mother, Madeline Virts of Murray, and one brother, Junior Virts of Harper Ferry, W.Va. He was preceded in death by his father, Leslie Phillip Virts Sr.; one brother; and two sisters. Friends may call from 4 to 7 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Donna Virts

Graveside services will be at 3 p.m. Friday in the Leiters Ford cemetery for Mrs. Donna VIRTIS, 49, Silver Spring, Md., who died Aug. 28, at her residence in Silver Spring. She was born Jan. 2, 1926, to Mr. and Mrs. Donald APPLEMAN. Her marriage was in 1951 to William VIRTIS. He survives. She was a graduate of Leiters Ford high school in 1944. She was a member of the Colesville Methodist church in Silver Spring where services were conducted Tuesday. Also surviving are three daughters; her mother, Mrs. Tot SEE, Kokomo; two sisters, Mrs. Dorothy KISTLER, and Mrs. Margaret TAYLOR, both of Kokomo; two brothers, Russell APPLEMAN, McLean, Va., and Kenneth APPLEMAN, Lake Bruce.

Nona Anderson

The Frederick Post, December 3, 2006

Mrs. Nona Oneida Anderson, of Knoxville, died Friday, December 1, 2006, at University of Maryland Hospital, Baltimore. Born June 29, 1930, in Bakerton, W.Va., she was a daughter of the late Elmer Haines and Ellen Giffin Haines. She was a retired relay adjuster with Airpax Corp. in Frederick with 46 years of service. She was a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Frederick. She was also a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles Ladies Auxiliary 1136 of Brunswick, Md. Surviving are a son, Robert L. Anderson III and wife Andrea Kaye of Knoxville; a daughter-in-law, Jean Louise Twigg of Brunswick; two sisters, Alice Bartles of Hagerstown and Judy Anderson of Shippensburg, Pa.; three grandchildren, Ashley, Lisa and Greg; and one great-granddaughter, Ava. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Robert Lee Anderson, and one son, Gregory Alan Anderson. Funeral services will begin at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 5 at John T. Williams Funeral Home, 100 Petersville Road, Brunswick. Pastors David Oravec and Stacey Brady will officiate. Interment at Park Heights Cemetery, Brunswick. The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Sunday from 7 to 9 p.m. and Monday from 2 to 7 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. For the convenience of friends, the funeral home will be open on Monday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Frances J. Overfelt

Roanoke Times, September 22, 2009

Frances J. Overfelt, 89, of Roanoke, Va., affectionately known to her brothers as "Sis", who was born on January 4, 1920 and passed away on Sunday, September 20, 2009. She retired from Mick or Mack with 38 years of service, where she was dedicated to her work and to her customers. She was preceded in death by her parents, George A. Overfelt and Cora Bell A. Overfelt; brothers, Raymond Hubert Overfelt, Augustine George Overfelt (Gus), Eldridge Herman Overfelt (Jack), Cecil Anderson Overfelt and David Paul Overfelt. She is survived by a niece, Carol Overfelt Clarkson and family as well as other relatives and friends. The family appreciates the exemplary service of Dr. Bonnie Culkin and all the concern and care given by Eastwood Assisted Living. A graveside service will be held 2 p.m. Wednesday, September 23, 2009, at Sherwood Memorial Park. The family will be receiving friends from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, September 22, 2009, at Oakey's North Chapel, 540-362-1237.

Catherine R. Wertz

Roanoke Times – August 27, 2006

Catherine R. Wertz went to be with the Lord on Friday, August 25, 2006 in Melbourne, Florida. She was a former resident of Bradshaw Road, Roanoke County. She was predeceased by her husband, Rev. David L. Wertz; son, Jacob Luther Wertz; parents, Mr. and Mrs. O.L. Hall; brothers, Robert Hall and Glenn Hall; and sister, Rama Mitchell. Survivors include son, David L. Wertz and his wife, Alma, of Melbourne, Fla.; daughters, Shirley Muse and Peggy W. Paxton and her husband, Bobby; eleven grandchildren, Robert and Valerie Wertz of Virginia Beach, Danny and Betty Wertz, Kenneth and Lisa Wertz, Ronnie Wertz and friend, Maria, and Shawn Wertz, all of Melbourne, Fla., Cathy and Emilio Gallardo of Apopka, Fla., Becky Gallardo, David Muse, Jr., James and Rachel Muse, all of Lake County, Fla., Cindy and Barry Francisco of Smith Mountain Lake, Cameron Darnall of Christiansburg; special friend, Mary Ann Mellen; seventeen great-grandchildren and six great great-grandchildren. Services will be held on Thursday, August 31, 2006 at 11 a.m. at Lotz Salem Chapel. Interment will follow in Sherwood Memorial Park. Visitation will be held on Wednesday, August 30, 2006 from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. Arrangements are being handled by Lotz Funeral Home, Salem.

Enos Jackson Davis

Enos Jackson "Jack" Davis went to be with his Lord on March 12, 2006, after a prolonged illness. He was preceded in death by his father, William Isaac Davis, and his mother, Elvira Gunter-Davis, of Beckley W.Va.; his brothers Charles Davis, Calvin Davis and John William; and his sisters Ila Davis, Francis Davis and Violet Davis. He is survived by his sisters Margaret Davis-Leitel of Dubois, Pa., and Mary Ann Davis-Bava of Beckley. He is also survived by his wife of 52 years Delores Jean Griffith-Davis; son Randall Davis and wife, Becky Davis, of Huntington; daughter Lana Davis of North Carolina, daughter Deanna Davis-Hall and husband, David Hall, of Columbus, Ohio, and four grandchildren Kelly (Davis) Rutherford and her husband, Billy Rutherford, Charlie Davis (both of Huntington), Kai Hall and Gyasi Hall (both of Columbus). Jack moved to Huntington with his new bride in 1953, where they built their new life together. They raised their children, were involved in their local community and attended church regularly. Jack was a veteran of the U.S. Army Air Corp during WWII, a member of the Masons # 52 AM FM, and was a member of the Kenova United Methodist Church. During his life, he served as a Sunday School teacher and deacon, was a midget league football coach and lobbied for the creation of Westmoreland Park. Jack always had a passion for gospel music, telling a joke and, in later years, golfing. Jack was a retired project manager of 30 years in the federal government. In lieu of flowers, contributions in honor of Jack's commitment and service to God can be made to the Kenova United Methodist Church's Music Program. He will be buried at the Tom Lilly Cemetery in Ghent, W.Va.

Reba Fern Vinsel

Reba Fern Vinsel, 88, of Zanesville, died at 9:25 a.m. Tuesday, October 30, 2007 at the Clay House. She was born September 25, 1919, in Zanesville, a daughter of the late Herman and Mary Bertha "Mollie" Krout Clossman. She was a secretary for GE, was a longtime member of St. John's Lutheran Church and a former member of the Zanesville Country Club. She worked for the Red Cross at Wright Patterson AFB in Dayton during WWII. Reba was an avid golfer, gardener, loved flowers, playing bridge and euchre and being with her many, many friends. Surviving are two sons, David (Margaret Sargent) Vinsel of Guilford, Connecticut and Jeff (Penny) Vinsel of Zanesville; four grandchildren, Kelly, John, Madelyn and Lily Grace Vinsel; two sister-in-laws, Cledith King of Columbus and Lydia Vinsel of Fort Myers, Florida; a brother-in-law, Bryce (Bonnie) Vinsel of Zanesville; many nieces and nephews including, Linda (Jim) Paisley and Cheryl (Jim) Balderson, all of Zanesville, Sandy (Jim) Hayner of Littleton, North Carolina, Betty (Stan) Williams of Zanesville, Gerald (Pat) Clossman of White Cottage and Judge Jay Vinsel of Zanesville. Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Maurice L. "Moe" Vinsel, who died October 14, 2000; a brother, Harry Clossman; four sisters, Mary Schramm, Helen Pryor, Ida Morrow and her twin, Ruth Ellen Wilson; a nephew, Lee Vinsel; mother-in-law and father-in-law, Laura and Glen Vinsel; a brother-in-law, Loren Vinsel and a sister-in-law, Wilma Buller. Friends may call 6-9 p.m. Thursday, November 1, 2007 at the Bolin-Dierkes Funeral Home, 1271 Blue Avenue, Zanesville. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Friday, November 2, 2007 at the funeral home with Rev. Mark A. Combs officiating. Burial will follow at Zanesville Memorial Park Cemetery

Roxanne Shoemaker Culler

Frederick News-Post, November 6, 2009



Mrs. Roxanne Shoemaker Culler, 57, of Frederick, died Wednesday, Nov. 4, 2009, at her home. She was the wife of Michael T. Culler. Born Oct. 10, 1952, in Frederick, she was the daughter of the late Woodrow W. and Helen Virginia Virts Witmer. Mrs. Culler was lifelong resident of Frederick and was a graduate of Gov. Thomas Johnson High School, class of 1970. She enjoyed antiques, gardening and collecting ceramic roosters. Most of all, she enjoyed spending time with her family. Her family was first and foremost in her heart. She also had a place in her heart for animals of all kinds. Surviving in addition to her husband, Mike, are her three children,

Jason S. Shoemaker and wife, Lisa, of Hagerstown, Angela J. Wimer and husband, Ian, of Frederick, and Tyler J. Shoemaker of Frederick; one grandson, Ethan R. Shoemaker of Hagerstown; her father-in-law, Bernard Culler; her two brothers, Harry L. and John W. Witmer, both of Frederick; her four sisters, Nancy F. Hargett and Harriet L. Perkins of Frederick, Judith A. Gilbert of West Virginia and Betty J. Pheobus of Upper Marlboro. She is also survived by many loving nieces and nephews. Mrs. Culler was preceded in death by her first husband, Craig E. Shoemaker; a sister, Joyce J. Shanholtzer; and a brother, James D. Witmer. Visitation with will be from 3 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. Monday, Nov. 9, at Keeney and Basford, P.A., Funeral Home, 106 E. Church St., Frederick. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 10, at St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Feagaville. Pastor Samuel L. Woolcock will officiate. Interment will be in Mount Olivet Cemetery, Frederick. If desired, donations may be made to Hospice of Frederick County, P.O. Box 1799, Frederick, MD 21702. Expressions of sympathy may also be shared at KeeneyBasford.com.

Craig Eugene Shoemaker

Frederick News-Post, July 6, 2002

Mr. Craig Eugene Shoemaker, 50, of 5068 Mount Zion Road, Frederick, died Thursday, July 4, at his home. He was the husband of Roxanne Helen Witmer Shoemaker, his wife of 32 years. Born Sept. 2, 1951, in Frederick, he was a son of the late Donald A. and Christine E. Clopper Shoemaker. Mr. Shoemaker graduated from high school in 1969, and owned Craig Shoemaker Painting, which he had operated for more than 20 years. He enjoyed looking for antiques, especially old farm equipment. Surviving in addition to his wife are three children, Jason S. Shoemaker, Angela J. Shoemaker and Tyler J. Shoemaker, all of Frederick; three sisters, Marilyn D. McGlothlin of Hearndon, Va., Susan K. Seals and husband Ralph of Monrovia, and Tina L. Hensley and husband Andy of Boonsboro; three brothers, Donald A. Shoemaker and wife Kaye and Thomas Shoemaker and wife Janet, all of Frederick, and Raymond L. Shoemaker and wife Becky of Asher, Okla.; one uncle, Charles F. Clopper of Boonsboro; one great-aunt, Ruth M. Reeder of Hagerstown; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. The family will receive friends from 6 to 9 p.m. Monday, July 8, at Keeney and Basford Funeral Home, 106 E. Church St., Frederick. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, July 9, at the funeral home. The Rev. Samuel L. Woolcock of Life and Liberty Baptist Church, Frederick, will officiate. Interment will be in Mount Olivet Cemetery, Frederick