

# **Corunna High School**

## **Class of 1937**

**Updated 7-12-2021**

**Jeanne M. Alliton**  
**10-8-1918**  
**Deceased 2-16-2008**



**Harold H. Adams**  
**10-9-1938**



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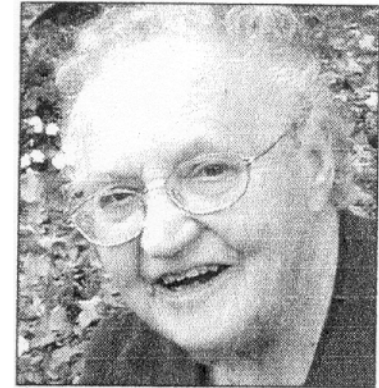
Age 89, of Owosso, died Saturday, Feb. 16, 2008, at Shiawassee County Medical Care Facility in Corunna.

Funeral services will be held at Smith Family Funeral Homes, Corunna Chapel, Tuesday, Feb. 19, at 11 a.m. Burial will follow at West Haven Cemetery in New Haven Township. Visitation will be Sunday, Feb. 17, from 6 to 8 p.m. and Monday, Feb. 18, from 2 to 8 p.m. with family present from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m.

She was born Oct. 8, 1918, in Owosso, to Robert and Jessie (Frantz) Alliton. She graduated from Corunna High School with the class of 1936 and lived all of her life in the Owosso area. She married Harold H. Adams on Oct. 9, 1938, in Owosso.

She worked at Redmond's during World War II and then at the Bendix canning factory. She was a wonderful mother and wife and took care of many of the children in the neighborhood along with her own. Jeanne enjoyed going to Alaska and took many trips there, on 16 of those trips they drove. She canned thousand of jars of her garden vegetables. She liked to have her three meals a day. Jeanne never had a bad word to say about anyone and always tried to keep a positive outlook on things.

She was a member of Corunna Christian Assembly.



Survivors include children Nancy (Jim) Bell of Alaska, Thomas (Priscilla) Adams of Corunna, Merilee (Tim) Lawson of Corunna, Marilyn (Lew) Owen of Owosso and Ilene (Mark) Stead of Owosso; grandchildren Joshua, Jeremy, Rane, Jennifer, Rachel, Lisa, Jason, Adam, Rebecca, Jesse, Adrianna, Riley and Kammi; great-grandchildren Tyler and Edan; and daughter-in-law Naomi Adams.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband Harold, sons Lynn Adams and Robert Adams, and brother Ross Alliton.

Memorials may be made to Corunna Christian Assembly or to the Living Waters Bible Camp.

Online condolences may be sent to [www.smithfamilyfuneralhomes.com](http://www.smithfamilyfuneralhomes.com). The family is being served by Smith Family Funeral Homes, Corunna Chapel.

**Genevieve Bachaus**  
**8-30-1919**



**... Habermehl**

**1937**

**Viola Beamish**



**George Dixon**

1937

**Leo J. Brown**  
**3-20-1919**  
**Deceased 11-6-2000**



**Grace Noak (37)**  
**7-2-1940**

**1937**

**Josephine Butts**



**Bud Schultz**

**1937**

**Marguerite Carmody**  
**6-5-1919**  
**Deceased 3-29-2015**



**Stuart Nichols (30)**  
**9-28-1940**

**1937**



**Marguerite Carmody**  
**6-5-1919**  
**Deceased 3-29-2015**



**Stuart Nichols (30)**  
**9-28-1940**

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**Marguerite Mary Nichols**

June 5, 1919 - March 29, 2015

Age 95, of Corunna, passed away peacefully Sunday, March 29, surrounded by the love of her family.

She was born June 5, 1919, to the late Cornelius (Neil) and Kathryn Carmody. She was a Corunna High School graduate and a lifelong resident of Shiawassee County. She married Stuart Nichols Sept. 28, 1940. They were married 62 years at the time of his passing in 2002.

Marguerite was a longstanding member of St. Paul Catholic Church and more recently attended St. Joseph Catholic Church with her family.

She was employed by Mitchell Bentley in Owosso until its closing and retired from the Shiawassee County Medical Care Facility in 1990.

Marguerite loved spending time with her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren and spent many hours attending sporting events, school plays and band concerts. She also enjoyed reading, gardening, shopping, people watching, caring for her beloved pets, traveling, rooting for the Tigers and many laughter-filled conversations around her kitchen table.

Marguerite is survived by daughters Patricia (Ted) Scott and Kathleen (Lawrence) Norman; grandchildren Laurie Billington (Kathy), John Scott, Todd Scott, Lisa (Kevin) Schupbach, Joseph (Dawn) Scott, Julie Pickell, Brett, Kosier and Jeni Miranda; great-grandchildren Travis (Sarah) Pickell, Meggan Mentus, Jerrad Billington, Dustin Scott, Adam Scott, Kai Miranda, Makana Miranda, Lauren Scott, Connor Scott, Haily Scott and Cody Scott; and great-great-grand-



daughters Ruby Grace and Ryann Pickell. She is also survived by several nieces, nephews and many dear friends.

Along with her husband, she was predeceased by sons James and Joseph Nichols and brother Paul Carmody.

The family is grateful for the compassionate care Marguerite received during a recent stay at Memorial Healthcare and from the staff members of Heart to Heart Hospice.

A Mass of the resurrection will take place at a later date.

Funeral arrangements are being handled by Watkins Brothers Funeral Homes of Corunna.

Online condolences may be sent to [watkinsfuneralhomes.com](http://watkinsfuneralhomes.com).

**Betty V. Derr**  
**11-3-1919**  
**Deceased 2-16-2007**



**Donald B. Carpenter (36)**  
**1-30-1943**

1937



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**11-3-1919**  
**Deceased 2-16-2007**

**Donald B. Carpenter (36)**  
**1-30-1943**

1937

**Donald Blair Carpenter**

Dec. 21, 1918 — March 22, 2007

**Betty Virginia Carpenter**

Nov. 3, 1919 — Feb. 16, 2007

Donald, age 88, of Sun City, Ariz., formerly of Corunna, passed away March 22, 2007, in Phoenix, Ariz.

Mr. Carpenter was a sales representative for Michigan Supply Co., Lansing.

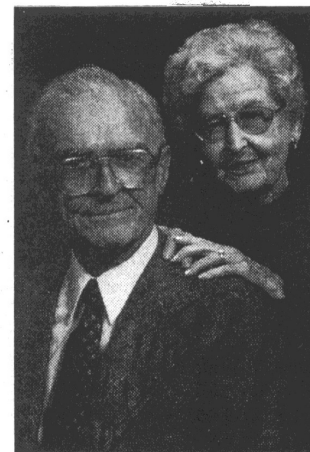
Betty, age 87, of Sun City, Ariz., formerly of Corunna, passed away Feb. 16, 2007, in Sun City, Ariz.

Mrs. Carpenter was a homemaker.

A memorial service for Mr. and Mrs. Carpenter will be held at noon, Sunday, May 27, 2007, at Pine Tree Cemetery, Corunna, with the Rev. Russell Merrill officiating. Interment has taken place in Pine Tree Cemetery.

Donald was born Dec. 21, 1918, to Faye and Alyce Carpenter, and had resided most of his life on Lyons Road, Corunna. He attended Corunna High School and Alma College. On Jan. 30, 1943, he married his wife of 64 years, Betty Virginia (Derr) Carpenter, in Corunna. He attended St. Paul Episcopal Church, Corunna.

Betty was born Nov. 3, 1919, to Walter Chase Derr and Almira (Vanderkarr) Derr, and had resided most of her life on Lyons Road, Corunna. She attended Corunna High School and Cleary College, Ypsilanti. On Jan. 30, 1943, she married her husband of 64 years, Donald Blair Carpenter in Corunna. She



was a member of St. Paul Episcopal Church, Corunna, and the Corunna Women's Club (President 1975-76).

Survivors of the couple include: son, Robert (Dianne) Carpenter of LaPorte, Ind.; grandson, Scott (Maria) Carpenter of Torrance, Calif.; granddaughter, Ann Carpenter of Cambridge, Mass.; grandson, Seth Carpenter of LaPorte, Ind.; great-granddaughter, Brynn Elia Carpenter of Torrance, Calif.; great-granddaughter, Amelia Betty Carpenter of Torrance, Calif.; and Betty's brother, Eugene (Betty) Derr of Prineville, Ore.; her niece, Carole (Jerry) Page of Prineville, Ore.; and her great-niece, Kimberly (Danny).

**Carl T. Dubovsky**  
**1-6-1921**



**1937**

**John M. Elkins**  
**7-31-1915**  
**Deceased 1-7-2006**



**Pauline Melvin**  
**8-21-1940**





**John M. Elkins**  
**7-31-1915**  
**Deceased 1-7-2006**

**John Milton Elkins**

*Saturday, January 7, 2006 9:28 AM EST*

Age 90, of Corunna, died Thursday, Jan. 5, 2006.

Funeral Services will be held at Corunna United Methodist Church Monday at 11 a.m. with Pastor Norm Beckwith officiating. Burial will be in Pine Tree Cemetery in Corunna.

Visitation will be today from 6-8 p.m. and Sunday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. A Masonic Service will be held on Sunday at 7:30 p.m.

Mr. Elkins was born in Corunna Jul. 31, 1915, the son of John and Mildred ( Kinney ) Elkins. He was a lifelong resident of Corunna and graduated from Corunna High School.

He married Pauline Melvin on Aug. 21, 1940 in Bancroft. He retired in 1978 from Fisher Auto Body in Flint.

He enjoyed being a member of the Shriner's Fire Brigade and doing parades with them. John was an avid sports fan and followed the Tigers and the Lions.

He was a member of the Corunna United Methodist Church for 70 years and in the church choir for 30 years. He was also a member of the Shriner's, Owosso Lodge, Kiwanis, Shiawassee Fire Brigade, and the Masonic Lodge #81 of Owosso.

He is survived by: His daughter, Shirley K. Langdon of Owosso, son Donald W. Elkins of Owosso, daughter, Rosemary (David) Gilbert of Corunna; seven grandchildren, Kristine and Sherman Holdorf, Kimberly Puffer, Kelly Elkins, Josh Elkins, Kyle Elkins, Jason Gilbert and Ryan Gilbert; 10 great grandchildren, two sisters, Amber Weber and Gladys (Don) Vibbert. He was predeceased by his parents, wife Pauline in 1995, four brothers, and six sisters.



**Pauline Melvin**  
**8-21-1940**

**1937**

**Ruth K. Furry**  
**12-28-1917**  
**Deceased 1-10-2015**



**Clinton Sprague**  
**10-8-1938**

**1937**

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**12-28-1917**  
**Deceased 1-10-2015**

**Clinton Sprague**  
**10-8-1938**

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**Ruth Kathleen Sprague**

Age 97, of Owosso, went to be with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ Saturday, Jan. 10, 2015, at Memorial Healthcare.

Funeral services will take place at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 14, 2015, at Nelson-House Funeral Home with Pastor Don Blacker officiating. Burial will follow at Oak Hill Cemetery. The family will receive friends at Nelson-House Funeral Home today from 2 to 8 p.m.

Ruth was born Dec. 28, 1917, in Rush Township, the daughter of Herbert and Margaret (Jones) Furry.

She graduated from Corunna High School, class of 1937.

Ruth retired from Universal Electric and had lived her entire life in the Owosso area while being an Avon representative for more than 50 years.

She married Clinton Sprague in Cadillac Oct. 8, 1938. He predeceased her April 23, 1977.

Ruth is survived by her daughters Bonnie Hehrer and Rosie (Dale) Shepard; grandchildren Theresa (Don) Blacker, Jackie (Brian) Barber, Julie (Doug) Helmreich and Brenda (Sid) Romero; great-grandchildren Michael B., Jonathon, Aaron, Ranae, Joshua, Sidney, Andrew, Michael C., Dylan, Jocelyn, Audrey and William; great-great-grandchildren Hunter, Faith, McKenzey, J.D.,



Macy, Nicholas, Grace and Ransom; sisters Joyce Wirth and Arlene St. John; and many other loving family and friends.

She was predeceased by her husband Clinton, infant daughter Betty Belle, brothers Max Furry and Roland Furry, and son-in-law Jerry Hehrer.

Memorial contributions are suggested to Memorial Healthcare Auxiliary or to the family.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at Nelson-House.com.



**Cathryn I. Galloway**



1937

**Harold Gardner  
Deceased**



1937

**Raymond E. Gellatly**  
**8-10-1918**



**1937**

**Donald D. Gray**  
**3-9-1918**  
**Deceased 10-1-2002**



**Marie E. O'Keefe**  
**4-22-1944**

**1937**

**Donald D. Gray**  
**3-9-1918**  
**Deceased 10-1-2002**

**Marie E. O'Keefe**  
**4-22-1944**

1937

**Donald D. Gray**

Age 84, of Owosso, passed away Tuesday, October 1, 2002, at his residence.

Mr. Gray owned and operated the family farm all of his adult life and worked some winters in various tool and die shops.

Funeral services will be held 11 a.m. Friday, October 4, 2002, at Nelson-House Funeral Home with Pastor Richard Forsythe officiating. Burial will follow at West Haven Cemetery. Visitation at the funeral home will be this evening 7 to 9 p.m., and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., with the family present from 2 to 9 p.m.

Mr. Gray was born March 9, 1918, in Hazelton Township, the son of William and Flora (Dodge) Gray. He attended the Tin Top School, New Lothrop Schools, and then graduated from Corunna High School, class of 1937. On April 22, 1944, he married Marie O'Keefe in Hazelton Township.

In the past years, Don was involved with 4-H, he enjoyed square dancing, and belonged to the Owosso Circulators. His great love was for softball. At the age of 84, he was still playing in leagues in Lake Placid, Florida, and the over 55 Seniors League in Chesaning.

Survivors include: his wife, Marie; five daughters, Ann (Robert) Dickinson of Sewickley, Pennsylvania, Roberta (Richard) Hamlin of Webberville, Beverly (Walter) Judd of Gainesville, Florida, Carol (William) Laws of



Okemos, and Kathleen (Mirza) Beg of Aliso Viejo, California; two sons, Donald Gray of Owosso, and Frederick (Mary Jo) Gray of Owosso; 19 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

He was predeceased by his parents.

Memorial contributions may be made to Friends of Hospice or the Chesaning 55 and Older Senior Softball League.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.nelson-house.com](http://www.nelson-house.com)



**David M. Gurney**  
**1919**  
**Deceased 9-29-1970**



**Ruth Neal**  
**1-5-1943**

**1937**

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**1919**  
**Deceased 9-29-1970**

**Ruth Neal**  
**1-5-1943**

1937

David M. Gurney, 51, of Utica, formerly of Corunna, died Tuesday afternoon in a Rochester hospital.

Funeral services will be held at the Washington United Methodist Church in Utica Friday at 10:30 a.m. Burial is to be in Pinetree Cemetery at Corunna at 2 p.m.

The body rests at the Diener Funeral Home in Utica.

Mr. Gurney was born in Corunna May 7, 1919, the son of Herbert J. and Mabel Gurney. He graduated from Corunna High School in 1937 and he and the former Ruth Neal were married Jan. 5, 1943, in Corunna.

He was also a graduate of Tri-State College in Angola, Ind., where he earned an engineering degree and he was employed for the Chrysler Corporation as an engineer.

The family suggests that memorials may be made in his name to the Simpson Park Camp Meeting Association.

Survivors include: His wife; one daughter, Judy, at home; one son, William Dean, stationed with the Navy at Great Lakes, Ill.; his mother at the Shiawassee County Medical Care Facility in Corunna; one brother, Rev. John Gurney and several nieces and nephews.

His father and one sister preceded him in death.

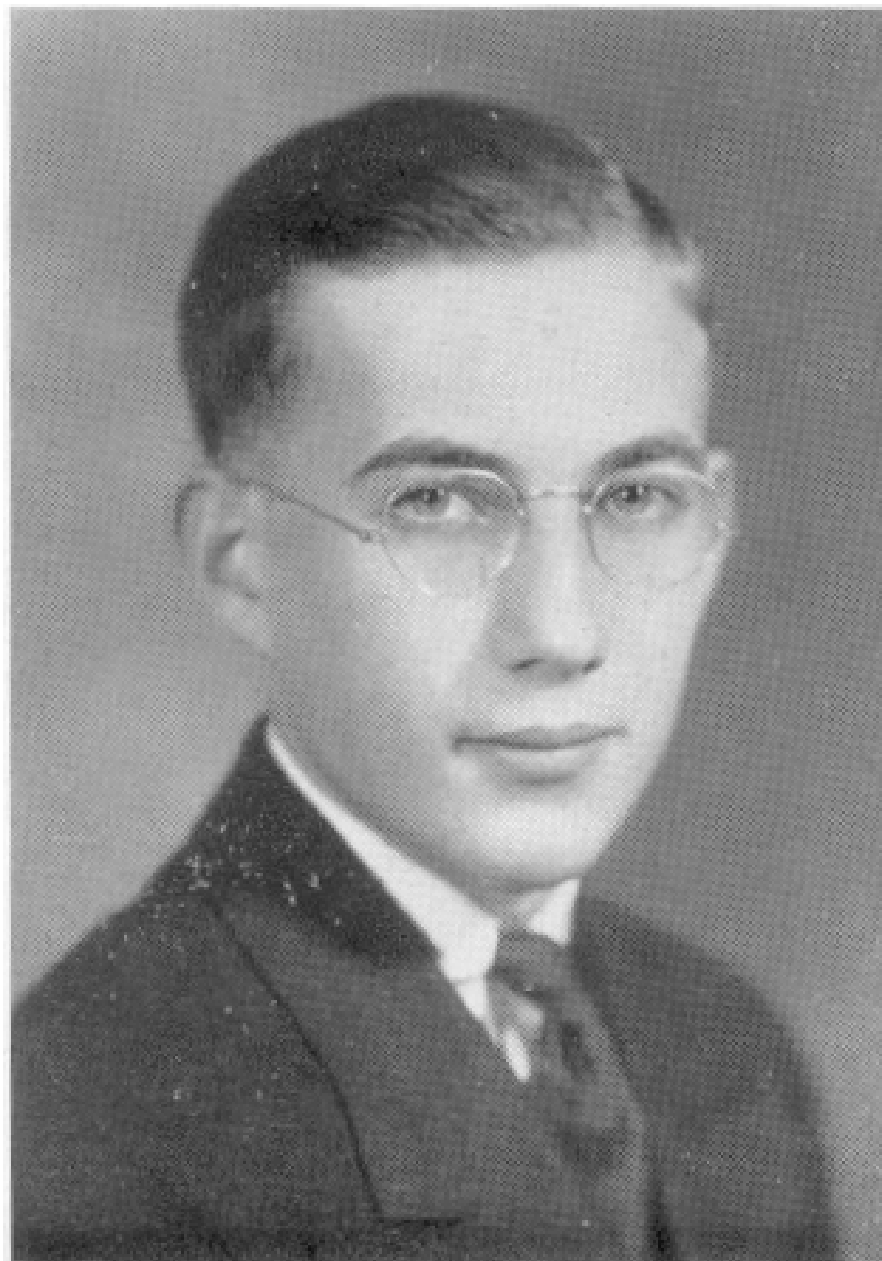
**Norman Hagar**



1937



**George Harder**  
**Deceased 6-6-1937**



**1937**

## George Harder Deceased 6-6-1937

### TWO YOUTHS DIE IN PLANE CRASH

OWOSSO, Mich., June 7.—(AP)—Two youths died yesterday in a plane crash near the Owosso airport and a companion was critically burned in the flaming wreckage.

The dead were Gavra Rimisk, 22, of Flint, Mich., the pilot, and George Harder, 18-year-old high school senior of Corunna, Mich.

Harold Gardner, 18, also of Corunna, dashed to a pool of standing water after the accident and extinguished his blazing clothing.

Harder and Gardner, classmates in Corunna high school, were companions on an aerial sightseeing trip. Rimisk had been taking up passengers from the airport for several Sundays.

The two boys would have received their diplomas Wednesday.

**Mary Ann Hasselback**  
**11-6-1919**  
**Deceased 10-24-2009**



**Garrett Loode**

**1937**

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**11-6-1919**  
**Deceased 10-24-2009**

**Garrett Loode**

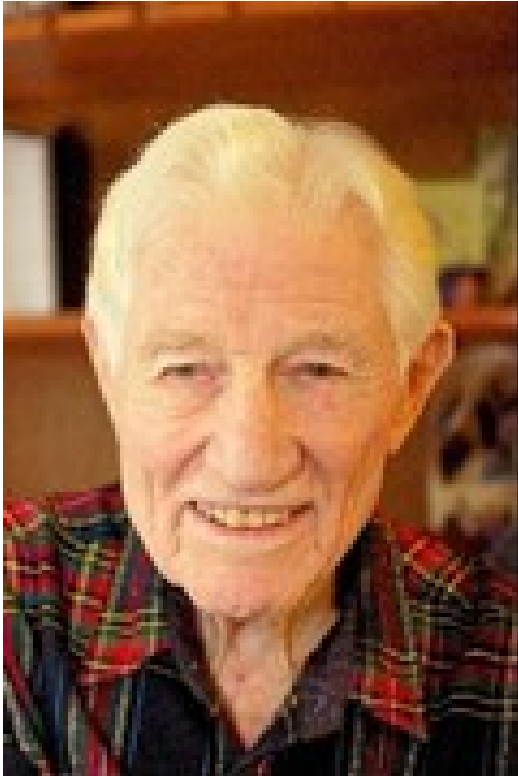
LOODE, Mrs. Mary Ann - Age 89, of Flushing, Michigan passed away on Saturday, October 24, 2009 at the Grand Rapids Home for Veterans following an extended illness. Mrs. Loode received her Bachelor of Science degree from Western Michigan University and taught math at Flushing High School for many years. She was also an avid golfer and was fortunate to have a hole-in-one. Mrs. Loode enjoyed a good bridge game with her family and friends. Her husband of 66-plus years, Garrett, preceded her in death as did a son, Thomas, four brothers and a sister. Mrs. Loode is survived by her children, Mary Loy Fraser of Grand Rapids and Margie Sussex of Woodenville, WA; her grandchildren, Steven Brogan of Denver, CO, Macelyn Potter of San Francisco, CA and Kevin Brogan of Los Angeles, CA; her great grandson, Christopher Potter. Inurnment will be in Sunset Hills Cemetery. Those planning expressions of sympathy are asked to consider Spectrum Health Hospice, 4500 Breton, SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49508. The family welcomes memories and messages in their guest book online at [pedersonfuneralhome.com](http://pedersonfuneralhome.com).

**Edward A. Hilden**  
**9-10-1919**  
**Deceased 3-7-2017**



**Mona C. Kerwin 1946**  
**Neva Pone Hamlin 1-18-1964**  
**1937**

**Edward A. Hilden**  
**9-10-1919**  
**Deceased 3-7-2017**



**Mona C. Kerwin 1946**  
**Neva Pone Hamlin 1-18-1964**  
**1937**

Hilden, Edward August Hilden, Edward August (Mr. Ed), age 97 of Marshall passed away on Tuesday, March 7, 2017 at Emerald Forest Assisted Living. Ed was born in Marion, MI to Edward and Emma (Madison) Hilden on Sept. 10, 1919. He was the second of seven children: Marie Ford (deceased), Ed, Jean Pierce (deceased), Donald (deceased), Dorothy Nolph (deceased), Frances Condy, and Clinton Hilden. Ed attended grade schools in Marion and Owosso, and he graduated from Corunna High School in 1937. He lettered four years in basketball and was an all-conference end in football his senior year. Later in 1937, Ed lived with Bruce and May Strait and their son, Bill, and daughter, Retha, in Owosso. He always cherished their relationship and what they did for him. On April 15, 1942, Ed graduated from Michigan Agricultural College, now MSU. Having enrolled in ROTC while at college, he was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the US Army, and he headed for Ft. Sill, OK. He served in Europe with the 768th Field Artillery Battalion as they helped conquer Germany until the end of the war there. He was awarded the Bronze Star Medal. As a Captain, he was discharged from service in 1946. In 1946, Ed married Mona C. Kewin. She was the mother of his five children. After WWII, jobs were scarce! With his partner, Wesley Woodworth, they opened a Triangle Paint and Wallpaper store in Owosso. Ed and family moved to Jackson in 1954 to open a second store. The partners split in 1957, and Ed stayed with the store in Jackson. Ed and Mona divorced in 1961. On Jan. 18, 1964, Ed married Neva Mae (Pond) Hamlin. She was his dear wife and best friend. Neva Mae passed away April 22, 2010 after 46 years of marriage. They had a wonderful marriage, and he missed her greatly. Before Ed moved to Jackson, he had been very active in the Owosso sports scene. He started a recreational basketball league in the Owosso Armory. The next year, the city and high school took over. Ed managed winning teams. He was involved with fast pitch softball and with baseball. He had terms as President and Secretary of the Central Michigan Baseball League. December of 1962, Ed joined the Jackson Barbershop chapter, SPEBSQSA. Early in 1963 the quartet "The Note-Able Four" was started with Ed singing lead; Ken Preston, tenor; Bill Boyden, baritone; and Dick Simpson, bass. They entertained listeners and were in shows and contests for 12 years. All four are now deceased. Ed retired after selling his store on Feb. 1, 1980. At one stretch of their lives, Ed and Neva lived 21 years on Clark Lake where they enjoyed their neighbors, visitors, and fishing. Ed and Neva spent 23 winters in Florida at the Southern Palms RV Resort in Eustis. In 1987 while in Florida, Ed started a very popular Sunday evening Hymn Sing. Of course, Ed sang bass in a men's gospel quartet called the "Hymn-Dingers." Ed and Neva moved from Clark Lake to Crego Rd. After living in the Clark Lake area, they moved to Brooklyn Living Center, which is where Ed lived until moving to Emerald Forest Assisted Living in Marshall in 2016. He very much enjoyed his years at BLC. Ed loved the Lord and served and supported his two favorite churches: 30 years at First Baptist in downtown Jackson and for over 30 years at Clarklake Community Church where Ed held various offices, sang in the choir, and sang bass in the popular "Joyful Sounds" quartet. Ed was an avid birdwatcher and had a vast knowledge of birds. He loved his almost daily visits to the Brooklyn Big Boy the last few years of his life before moving to Marshall. He was well-known for his fantastic sense of humor, his love of people, his positive outlook on life, and his love of singing. He was apt to burst into song at any given moment. Ed is survived by his children Dallas C. Chase of Boise, ID; Sandra K. (Dell) Ludwig of Pocatello, ID; Lyle E. (Jean) Hilden of Vista, CA; Jack L. Hilden of Tampa, FL; and Jo Anne (William, "Mike") Fittro of Marshall, MI; and his step-daughters, Kaye D. Holland of Cleveland, TN and Susanne Piper of Rockford, MI. Ed and Neva had a total of twenty-one grandchildren, three who preceded him in death, and many great-grandchildren. Ed was very proud of his and Neva's families and their accomplishments. Ed's last wishes to family and friends: "God's blessings to you all!! I'll see you later." Mr. Ed, you will be greatly missed by all. The family is grateful to the staff at Emerald Forest Assisted Living and Great Lakes Hospice for their kind and loving care. Visitation will take place at Clarklake Community Church on March 17 at 3 p.m. with a funeral service following at 4 p.m. Interment will take place at Clarklake Cemetery with a dinner immediately following. Memorials may be made to the Clarklake Community Church or the [charity of your choice](#).

**Marshall F. Hiscock (Wright)**  
**Deceased 7-13-1990**



**Alta ...**  
**11-8-1941**

**1937**

**Ted Kay**



1937



**Donna Belle Koan**



1937

**Harold E. Kroske**  
**Deceased**



1937

**Merle G. Long**



**1937**

**Mina E. Middleton**  
**1-12-1920**  
**Deceased 8-1-2002**



**Wayne Vanderkarr (32)**

**1937**

**Mina E. Middleton**  
**1-12-1920**  
**Deceased 8-1-2002**



**Mina E. Vandekarr**

Age 82, of Corunna, died Thursday, Aug. 1, 2002, at The Memorial Healthcare Center, Owosso.

The funeral for Mrs. Vandekarr will be Monday at 11 a.m. at Smith Family Funeral Homes, Corunna Chapel, with Pastor Rodger DeVore officiating. Burial will be in Pine Tree Cemetery, Corunna.

Visitation at the funeral home will be Sunday from 2-8 p.m., with the family present from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m.

Mrs. Vandekarr was born in Michigan on Jan. 12, 1920, the daughter of Orrie and Lena (Kerby) Middleton.

She was a 1937 graduate of Corunna High School and resided here all of her life.

A nurse, Mrs. Vandekarr was married to the late Wayne Vandekarr.

She was a member of the First Church of the Nazarene of Owosso, as well as the Corunna Women's Club.

Memorial contributions are suggested to the American Alzheimer's Association.

In addition to her husband, Mrs. Vandekarr was preceded in death by her parents and a brother, Fred "Pete" Middleton.

Survivors include: A son, Lee (Norma) Vandekarr of Corunna; two daughters, Elaine (Art) Henke of Ann Arbor and Luanne (Eldred) Kelley of Avon Park, Fla.; nine grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; two brothers, Bill (Helen) Middleton of Climax, Mich. and Bud (Dorothy) Middleton of Cassville, Mo.; and a sister-in-law, Lucille Middleton of Michigan.

Online condolences may be offered at [www.smithfamilyfuneralhomes.com](http://www.smithfamilyfuneralhomes.com).

**Wayne Vanderkarr (32)**

**Carson Morse  
Deceased**



1937

**Grace R. Noak**  
**4-20-1918**  
**Deceased 2-17-2001**



**Leo J. Brown (37)**  
**7-2-1940**

**1937**

**Grace R. Noak**  
**4-20-1918**  
**Deceased 2-17-2001**

**Leo J. Brown (37)**  
**7-2-1940**

1937

**Grace R. Brown**

Age 82, of Owosso, passed away Saturday, February 17, 2001, at Memorial Healthcare Center, Owosso.

Mrs. Brown was a homemaker.

Memorial Mass of Christian burial will be held at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Durand, Wednesday, February 21, 2001, at 10 a.m. Visitation will be held at Smith Funeral Homes, Corunna Chapel, today from 3 to 5 and 6 to 8 p.m.

Mrs. Brown was born in Buffalo, New York, April 20, 1918, the daughter of Joseph A. and Winifred (Regan) Nyack. She was a graduate of Corunna High School, class of 1937, and had resided most of her life in Corunna and Gladwin. On July 2, 1940, she married Leo J. Brown at St. Paul Catholic Church. He passed away November 6, 2000.

She was a member of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Gladwin; Daughter of Isabella; and Moose Lodge in Gladwin.

Survivors include; two daughters, Barbara and Ed Cunningham of Owosso, Ann and Dave Cooper of White Lake; five grandchildren, Jim McAvoy, Kelene Farris, Michelle Sovis, and Jeff and Chris Fink; ten great-grandchildren; one



sister, Lenore Caldwell of Florida.

She was predeceased by; her husband; and one son-in-law, Jim McAvoy Jr.

Memorials may be made to St. Mary's Catholic Church, Durand.

Online condolences can be sent to: [www.smithfamilyfuneral-homes.com](http://www.smithfamilyfuneral-homes.com)





**Audrey M. Rigling**  
**12-7-1919**  
**Deceased 11-4-2017**

**Audrey was born on  
December 7, 1919 and passed  
away on Saturday, November  
4, 2017.**

**Audrey was a resident of  
Lake, Michigan at the time of  
passing.**

**Audrey grew up in Corunna,  
Michigan and graduated from  
Corunna High School.**

**Leo Winarski**



**Elaine A. Rigoulot**



**1937**

## Harley Robinson



1937

**Lois G. Ross**  
**5-26-1920**  
**Deceased 2-21-2004**



**George Lewis**

**1937**

**Lois G. Ross**  
**5-26-1920**  
**Deceased 2-21-2004**

**George Lewis**

1937

**Lois G. Lewis**

Age 83, of Jenison, formerly of Owosso, passed away Saturday, February 21, 2004, at Spectrum Health - Blodgett in Grand Rapids.

Mrs. Lewis worked at Redmonds as a secretary, was a homemaker, and later, bookkeeping for Donahue, CPA.

Services will be held at Jennings-Lyons Funeral Chapel, Saturday, February 28, 2004, at 2 p.m. with the Rev. Grant R. Lobb officiating. Burial will be in Pine Tree Cemetery. Visitation at the funeral chapel will be Saturday from 1 p.m. until the service at 2 p.m.

Mrs. Lewis was born in Owosso, May 26, 1920, the daughter of George E. and Julia E. (Robinson) Ross. She was a 1936 graduate of Corunna High School and had resided most of her life in Shiawassee County.

She attended the First United Methodist Church.

Survivors include: daughter, Sharon Lewis of Grandville; son, Rodney J. Lewis of Houghton Lake; sister, Mary Jane Saylor of Hemet, California; sisters-in-law, Francis Ross of Owosso, Jean Husted of Corunna; brother-in-law, Donald (Jeannie) Lewis of Phoenix, Arizona; several nieces and nephews.



She was predeceased by: husband; parents; brothers, George Ross, Max Ross; brothers-in-law, Charles Saylor, Kenneth Husted, Clark Lewis; sisters-in-law, Nancy Lewis, Ellen Ross; and half-sister, Fern Fuller.

Memorials are suggested to the American Diabetes Association.

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**LeRoy A. Runyan**

Age 91, of National City, and formerly of Owosso, passed away Wednesday, Sept. 22, 2010, at St. Joseph Hospital in Tawas.

Funeral services will be held at Smith Family Funeral Homes, Corunna Chapel, Monday, Sept. 27, 2010, at 11 a.m. The Rev. Jeremy Benton will officiate and burial will follow at Hillcrest Memorial Gardens in Owosso. Visitation will be held on Saturday, Sept. 25, 2010, from 6 to 8 p.m. and Sunday, Sept. 26, from 2 to 8 p.m. with family present 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. at the funeral home.

LeRoy was born in Owosso, on Nov. 29, 1918, the son of William and Julia (Potter) Runyan. LeRoy was a graduate of Corunna High School and resided most of his life in Owosso. LeRoy married Gurnith "Gerry" Pardee on July 2, 1946. She passed away on Jan. 27, 1991.

LeRoy was a shipping and receiving clerk for Johnson Control of Owosso, retiring in 1978. After retiring he enjoyed hunting, fishing, caring for his home up north, helping others and most importantly his family.

He is survived by his daughter Linda Dian McDannel of Westville, Ind., son LeRoy A. and Cindy Runyan of Kissimmee, Fla., daughter Janet S. Runyan of Tawas and son Thomas E. and Kathy Runyan of Owosso; 14 grandchildren; 32 great-grand-



children; nine great-great-grandchildren; brother William and Virginia Runyan of Corunna, brother Arden Runyan of Owosso and sister Bernice and Russ Potter of Morrice. LeRoy is also survived by several nieces and nephews.

LeRoy was preceded in death by his wife, a great-granddaughter, five brothers and five sisters.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to St. Joseph Home Health & Hospice of Tawas City or the American Cancer Society.

Online condolences can be sent to [www.smithfamilyfuneralhomes.com](http://www.smithfamilyfuneralhomes.com).



**Carolyn Smith**



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**Lester E. Smith**  
**9-27-1918**  
**Deceased 12-19-1987**



**Virginia ...**  
**4-25-1942**

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**Lester E. Smith**

Age 69, of 2069 Owosso Ave. Owosso died Saturday, Dec. 19, 1987 at The Memorial Hospital, Owosso.

Mr. Smith was an experimental tool and die designer at Universal Electric, retiring Jan. 31, 1987 after 38 years.

Services will be held from Christ Episcopal Church, Owosso on Tuesday, Dec. 22, 1987 at 11 a.m. Burial will be in Hillcrest Memorial Gardens, Owosso. The Rev. Fr. Gary Hemp will officiate. Friends may call at the Kribs Colonial Chapel, Corunna after 3 p.m. today with the family present 3 to 5 p.m.

Those planning to make memorial contributions may wish to consider the Christ Episcopal Church Memorial Fund or a charity of the donor's choice.

Mr. Smith was born in Corunna, Mich. on Sept. 27, 1918, the son of Charles B. and Cora (Lab) Smith. He graduated from Corunna High School in 1937. During World War II, he was a Staff Sergeant with the U. S. Army serving with the B Battery 150th Field Artillery Battalion, 26th Division. He was in combat for 30 months, including operations in Naples, Foggia, Rome, Arno, Southern France, the Rhineland, and Central Europe. He was awarded the Bronze Star Medal for Valor, Good Conduct Medal, European African Middle Eastern Service Medal with five Bronze Stars and one Bronze Arrowhead.

Mr. Smith was a lifelong resident of the Owosso-Corunna area. On April 25, 1942, he and P. Virginia Smith were married in Florida. He was a member of the Christ Episcopal Church of Owosso and currently served as a member of the Vestry Board.

Mr. Smith was involved with Caledonia Township Board activities being appointed trustee in August of 1971 and elected treasurer in November of 1972 having served in this office since that time. He also served on the Corunna-Caledonia Fire Department Committee, Corunna Area Ambulance Board and Owosso-Caledonia Utility Authority.

**L. A. Snyder**  
**Deceased**



**1937**

**Aletha Spore**



**Carlyle Serr (36)**

**1937**

**Louis L. Toth**  
**Deceased**



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**Mary E. Tyler**  
**11-24-1919**  
**Deceased 6-25-2009**



**Edwin Doederlein**  
**5-15-1948**



**Mary E. Tyler**  
**11-24-1919**  
**Deceased 6-25-2009**

**Mary E. Doederlein**

Age 89, of Winter Haven, Fla., formerly of Owosso, passed away Thursday, June 25, 2009, at the Life Care Center in Winter Haven, Fla.

Mary worked as an inspector for Universal Electric for 28 years. She had also worked for Redmond Motors for four years and in Washington, D.C., for six years.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Salem Lutheran Church, with Pastor James Bare officiating. Burial will follow at Oak Hill Cemetery. The family will receive friends at the funeral home Tuesday from 10 a.m. until the time of the service.

Mary was born Nov. 24, 1919, in Grant County, Ind., the daughter of William Ira and Velma (Keever) Tyler. She graduated from Corunna High School.

On May 15, 1948, she married Edwin Doederlein at the Corunna United Methodist Church. He predeceased her May 30, 2002. She was a member of Salem Lutheran Church and served as a Ladies Aid. She was also an avid reader.

Survivors include her daughter,



ter, Karen Doederlein, of Winter Haven, Fla.

She was predeceased by her husband Edwin and brother William Robert Tyler.

Memorial contributions are suggested to Salem Lutheran Church.

Anyone wishing to send online condolences to the family may do so at [www.nelson-house.com](http://www.nelson-house.com)

**Edwin Doederlein**  
**5-15-1948**

**The End**