

# Obituaries

## John Joseph Adair

John Joseph Adair, 91, 215 West Grace, Rensselaer, died Thursday, Feb. 16 at 5:55 p.m. at Jasper County Hospital.

He was the father of Morocco resident Robert W. Adair.

Born in Mattoon, Ill., on Sept. 27, 1892, he was the son of Elmer J. and Mary (Smith) Adair. He had been a Rensselaer resident since 1916, coming there from Delphi.

On June 26, 1912, in Delphi, he married Marie L. Jones, who preceded him in death on Jan. 2, 1980.

He worked for the Monon

Railroad for 47 years before his retirement. He was a member of the St. Augustine Catholic Church, Rensselaer, and the Knights of Columbus.

Other survivors include one son, John Maurice Adair, Phoenix, Ariz., five grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. One brother and one sister preceded him in death.

Funeral services took place Monday, Feb. 20 at St. Augustine Catholic Church with Rev. Father Leonard Kostka officiating. Burial was in Mount Calvary Cemetery.

Died: February 16, 1984

Issue: February 23, 1984

## Rowena Adamson

Mrs. Rowena Adamson, 77, a retired schoolteacher, died at 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 3 at St. Anthony Medical Center, Crown Point. She had been in ill health for four years.

Born in 1907 at Guilford, Ind., she had lived in Brook since 1928. She graduated from Aurora High School in 1924 and from Purdue University in 1928.

She taught home economics at Mount Ayr and Brook for 29 years before retiring.

She was a member of the Brook United Methodist Church, United Methodist Women, Brook Study Club, Music Club, George Ade

Hospital Auxiliary, Retired Teachers Association and Delta Kappa Gamma sorority.

In 1937, she married Ralph E. Adamson, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Sue Ann Myer, Indianapolis, and Mrs. Louise Rutherford, Crown Point; one brother, Loren Huddleston, Guilford; one sister, Ruth Huddleston, Guilford; and six grandchildren.

Funeral services took place Tuesday, Nov. 6 at 11 a.m. at the Brook United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Carl Ricks officiating. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery.

Died: November 3, 1984

Issue: November 15, 1984

## Leonard Anderson

Leonard Anderson, 75, Brook, died Tuesday, July 24 at 10:45 a.m. at George Ade Memorial Hospital.

Born July 1, 1909, near Donovan, he had been a resident of Brook since 1936. He had also lived in Morocco.

He attended Donovan High School, graduating with the class of 1927. On March 26, 1937, in Valparaiso, he married Mildred O. Hoon, who survives.

Also surviving are one son, Thomas A. Anderson, Brook; two

sisters, Agnes Anderson, Donovan, and Dorris Hawk, Hamilton, Ohio; two brothers, Chester Anderson, Brook, and Frank Anderson, Rensselaer; two grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

One son preceded him in death.

Funeral services took place Thursday, July 26 at 11 a.m. at the Brook United Methodist Church with the Rev. Carl Ricks officiating. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Died: July 24, 1984

Issue: August 2, 1984

## Gladys M. Ashton

Gladys M. Ashton, 80, Stuart, Fla., formerly of Lowell, died Aug. 19 at Jasper County Hospital, Rensselaer.

She was a retired businesswoman and a third-generation owner of The Davis Store, Lowell, from 1938-55. She also was the original owner of Ashton's Women's Apparel, Kentland, in 1946.

She had resided in Stuart since her retirement in 1955. She was a member of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, Crown Point and

Stuart.

Surviving are two sons, Eugene, Kentland, and Duane, Elgin, Ill.; one daughter, Margery Beier, Lowell; nine grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a grandchild and her husband, C.R. (Jack) Ashton, in 1965.

Memorial services were conducted Aug. 24 at the Sheets-Love Funeral Home, Lowell.

Died: August 19, 1984

Issue: September 6, 1984

## Minerva Atkinson

Minerva Atkinson, 91, lifetime resident of Morocco, died Monday, April 30 at 3 a.m. at Lake Holiday Manor near Roselawn.

Born April 19, 1893 in Morocco, she was the daughter of Albert and Flora Chizum Roadruck.

On Jan. 14, 1914 at Kentland, she married Fred Atkinson, who preceded her in death in 1971. She was a member of the Morocco United Methodist Church, the Fleur de Li Club and the Bunco Club.

Surviving are one son, Bernard

Atkinson, Morocco; two daughters, Mrs. Adam (Elsie) Styck, Kentland, and Mrs. Ethel Zacharias, Morocco; five grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren.

One brother preceded her in death.

Funeral services will take place at the Cardwell Funeral Home, Morocco, on Wednesday, May 2 at 2 p.m., with the Rev. Norman Glassburn officiating. Burial will be in the Oakland Cemetery.

Died: April 30, 1984

Issue: May 3, 1984

# Myrtle Baker

Myrtle Baker, 75, of Bourbonnais, Ill., formerly of Roselawn, died at 10:45 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 17 at St. Mary's Hospital in Kankakee.

She was born June 15, 1909, in Tennessee, to James and Martha Elsworth Cox.

In 1950 she married Elvie Baker in Chicago Heights. He preceded her in death in 1978.

Survivors include three sons, Robert Baker, St. Anne, Ill.; Wal-

lace Baker, Merrillville; and Donald Baker, Lake Village; one daughter, Mrs. Sherman (Ruby) Schmitz, Lake Village; 17 grandchildren and 34 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 20 at the Cardwell Funeral Home with the Rev. Norm Glassburn officiating.

Burial followed in the Roselawn Cemetery.

Died: October 17, 1984

Issue: October 25, 1984

# Gerald Roy Baldwin

Gerald Roy Baldwin, 75, Rt. 1, Box 227, Morocco, died Friday, June 29 at 3:30 a.m.

He died at his residence, but had been hospitalized for two weeks. He was a lifelong resident of Newton County.

Born June 29, 1909, in Jackson Township in Newton County, he was the son of Guy Melvin and Amanda Mae (Murphy) Baldwin. He attended Newton County public schools.

He married Dorothy Agnes Downs on Feb. 19, 1935 in Newton County at home; she died Oct. 28, 1983. He was a member of the Baptist Church and a retired farmer.

He is survived by one son, Marvin L. Baldwin, Deltona, Fla.; one daughter, Geraldine M. Stevens, Morocco; one sister, Alice (Mrs. Richard) Coon, Kansas City; one brother, Paul Baldwin, Momence; 10 grandchildren, three step-grandchildren and five step-great-grandchildren.

Two brothers preceded him in death.

Funeral services took place Monday, July 2 at 1:30 p.m. at the Jackson Funeral Chapel, Rensselaer, with the Rev. Calvin Eastwood officiating. Burial was in Memory Gardens, Rensselaer.

Died: June 29, 1984

Issue: July 5, 1984

# Mrs. Gernie Barnett

Mrs. Gernie E. Barnett, 94, Rt. 5, Frankfort, died at 10 a.m., Tuesday, March 20 at the English Nursing Home, Lebanon, following a brief illness.

A native and life resident of Clinton County, she was the oldest surviving member of the Kinder Baptist Church there. Her marriage was in 1907 to Floyd E. Barnett. He

died in 1964.

Surviving are two sons, Herbert Barnett, Rt. 5, Frankfort and former Morocco resident, and Melvin Barnett, Rt. 5, Monticello, and two sisters, Opal Jacobs, Lebanon, and Mamie Wolf, Rt. 7, Frankfort.

Also surviving is granddaughter Bonnie Storey, Morocco.

Died: March 20, 1984

Issue: March 29, 1984

## Bernard 'Bill' Beagley

Retired volunteer fireman Bernard E. "Bill" Beagley, 71, Brook, died at 6:28 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 1 at St. Elizabeth Hospital, Lafayette, following a lengthy illness. He had been hospitalized two weeks.

Born in Mount Ayr, he had lived in Brook most of his life. In 1936 he was married in Rensselaer to Phyllis M. Lyons, who survives.

A semiretired farmer, he served with the Brook Volunteer Fire Department for many years, retiring a few years ago due to ill health.

He was a member of Brook United

Methodist Church and Knights of Pythias.

Surviving with the widow are a brother-in-law, Larry Lyons, Lafayette, who was reared in the home; two sisters, Mrs. Mary Merchant, Sullivan, and Mrs. Virginia Davis, Brook; and two grandchildren. A sister and two brothers preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held in the Weston-Gerts Funeral Chapel on Wednesday, Jan. 4 at 11 a.m., with Rev. Carl Ricks officiating. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery.

Died: January 1, 1984

Issue: January 12, 1984

## Charles Elmer 'Mick' Bertrand

Charles Elmer "Mick" Bertrand, 73, Box 85, Iroquois, Ill., died Friday, June 22 at 12:20 a.m. at Iroquois Memorial Hospital, Watseka, after an illness of several years.

Born Jan. 1, 1911, in Fowler, he was the son of Joseph and Ella Bertrand. He lived in Iroquois since 1967, and had also lived in Morocco.

He attended schools in Fowler and was a retired carpenter and owner of a restaurant in Iroquois.

On June 1, 1948, in Morocco, he married May Bennett Printy, who survives.

He served in the Army Air Corps during World War II and was a member of the VFW Post Nom 7450, Iroquois County Post and the American Legion Post No. 23 at

Watséka.

Surviving with the wife are two stepsons, William E. Bennett, Morocco, and John R. Bennett, Burlington, N.J.; one stepdaughter, Darlene (Mrs. Dean) Denton, Lake Village; two sisters, Margaret Rogers, Terre Haute, and Ann Gift, Broomall, Pa.; 10 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

One stepson, one great-grandson and four brothers preceded him in death.

Funeral services took place Monday, June 25 at 2 p.m. at the Cardwell Funeral Home, Morocco.

Burial followed at Oakland Cemetery, Morocco. Those who wish to contribute may give to the Iroquois United Methodist Church.

Died: June 22, 1984

Issue: June 28, 1984



# Lovina Blankenbaker

Lovina Blankenbaker, 76, of 105 East Carroll Street in Kentland, died on Thursday, March 29 at 9 a.m. in her home. She was a former Morocco area resident.

Born October 11, 1907 in Anderson, Kansas, she was the daughter of Simon and Sarah Mullett Anderson.

On December 9, 1932, she married Lloyd Blankenbaker, who preceded her in death in 1968. She was a member of the Mount Ayr United Methodist Church.

She was also a member of the George Ade Memorial Hospital Auxiliary, the Newton County Home Economics Club, the Jolly 12 Club and the WSCS of the United Methodist Women.

Survivors include two sons, LaVerne Blankenbaker of DeMotte and Dr. Ron Blankenbaker of Indianapolis; three daughters, Mrs. Duane (Carol Ann) Whaley of Kentland, Mrs. Dale (Norma Jean) Bricker of Eldorado, Arkansas and Mrs. Samuel (Betty) Embree of LaPorte; two sisters, Millie Hostetler of Kokomo and Anna Yoder of Holmesville, Ohio; two brothers, Noah Anderson of Nappanee and Eli Anderson of Holmesville, Ohio; 14 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services took place Tuesday, April 2 at 2 p.m. at the Mount Ayr United Methodist Church with the Rev. Carl Ricks officiating. Burial was in the Oakland Cemetery at Morocco.

Cardwell Funeral Home in Morocco was in charge of the funeral arrangements.

Died: March 29, 1984

Issue: April 5, 1984

# John E. Brown

John E. Brown, 81, Rt. 1, Box 90, Rensselaer, died Friday, Aug. 17 at 4:40 p.m.

He died at his residence after an illness of three months. He lived in Jasper County most of his life after moving here as a young boy.

Born Jan. 4, 1903 in Mt. Ayr, he was the son of Edgar and Myrtle (Baker) Brown. He attended Jasper County public schools and was a retired farmer.

He married Clara Mae Markin Jan. 1, 1929; she died Dec. 30, 1980. He was a member of the Brushwood

United Methodist at Aix.

He is survived by three children, James Brown, Merrillville; Donna (Mrs. Garner) Wireman, Tempe, Ariz.; and Cleota (Mrs. Cecil) DeMoss, Rensselaer. Also surviving are 11 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. One sister preceded him in death.

The funeral services were Monday, Aug. 20 at 10:30 a.m. at Steinke Funeral Home with the Rev. Herbert Edwards officiating. Burial was in the Prater Cemetery.

Died August 17, 1984

Issue: August 23, 1984

## Rev. Roy Brumbaugh Sr.

Rev. Roy Brumbaugh Sr., 90, Lowell, died Wednesday, at St. Anthony Medical Center in Crown Point.

He had served as a Presbyterian minister for 60 years and had pastored the Presbyterian Church in Thayer in the 1930s.

He is survived by five sons, Roy (Doris) Brumbaugh Jr., Lowell; Lamoignon (Doris) Brumbaugh, Cedar Lake; Charles (Arlene) Brumbaugh, Cedar Lake; Leonard (Barbara) Brumbaugh, Princeton, Ill.; and John (Lea) Brumbaugh, Crown

Point; three daughters Marguerite Dahl, Lowell; LaVonne (John) Swedberg, Palos Heights, Ill.; and Gertrude Sullivan, Lowell; 22 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the First Presbyterian Church of Merrillville on March 12 with Rev. Michael C. Maietta Jr. officiating. Burial followed in Lowell.

Funeral arrangements were handled by Sheets-Love Funeral Home in Lowell.

Died: March 14, 1984

Issue: March 22, 1984