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Memory*

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I will lift up mine eyes unto  
the hills, from whence cometh  
my help.

My help cometh from the Lord,  
which made heaven and earth.

The Lord is thy keeper: the Lord  
is thy shade upon thy right hand.

The sun shall not smite thee by day,  
nor the moon by night.

The Lord shall preserve thee from  
all evil: He shall preserve thy soul.

The Lord shall preserve thy going  
out and thy coming in from this time  
forth, and even for evermore.

Psalm 121

**Arlene G. Balderson**  
New Carlisle, Indiana  
Formerly of DeWitt, Michigan

**BORN**

January 17, 1920  
DeWitt, Michigan

**DIED**

October 9, 1991  
New Carlisle, Indiana

**SERVICES HELD AT**

Gorsline-Runciman DeWitt Chapel  
Saturday, October 12, 1991  
1:00 P.M.

**OFFICIATING**

Rev. Thomas Peters  
Bath United Methodist Church

**MUSIC**

Bryan J. Grinnell - Organist

**INTERMENT**

DeWitt Cemetery

## **BALDERSON, DONNA G.**

### **DeWitt**

Age 70, passed away July 3, 1996, after a long battle with cancer. Mrs. Balderson was born February 16, 1926, the daughter of Clare and Wannita Hardman. After graduation from Rodney B. Wilson High School in St. Johns, MI, she did many years of service work throughout the area and community and was a member of many service organizations serving others. She was married to Robert D. Balderson in 1946 and he preceded her in death in 1991. She retired from DeWitt Public Schools Food Service Program where she once again touched many lives. Her greatest joys were her husband and son whom she cherished, along with her special joy of cooking and baking for them and others, and a special place in the U.P. where she will be laid to rest with her husband. She is survived by her son, Steven R. Balderson of Hastings; 2 grandchildren, Jennifer and Bradley; 1 great granddaughter, Zoe Alanee; 1 sister, Marylou Courtland of DeWitt; and several nieces and nephews. Contributions may be made to any hospice program; the DeWitt Fire Department; or Clinton Memorial Hospital in memory of Donna Balderson. The family was served by the Gorsline-Runciman Co. DeWitt Chapel. There will be no service or visitation. She did so much for so many -- she will be missed by all those who knew and loved her. Thank you for all your thoughts and prayers. Her loving son, Steven.

# *Couple Celebrate 25th Anniversary*

4/7/49

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Barnes celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on Sunday, April 3. Open house was held from 2 to 5 o'clock when about 100 guests called to extend congratulations and best wishes. Mrs. Barnes wore a lovely corsage of carnations and sweet peas tied with silver and pink ribbon.

A three-tiered wedding cake was made by Mrs. George Walker and Mrs. Harold Martens and was cut and served by Mrs. Willard Krebel and Mrs. Walker. Mrs. Robert Heuer and Mrs. Edison Chapman presided at the urns. Bouquets of daffodils and sweet peas adorned the table.

## BARNES, FLORENCE A. (DOLL)

DeWitt



Beloved mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, went to be with Jesus on April 13, 1998. She was a very loving, caring person to her family, friends,

neighbors and all who knew her. Born on April 12, 1909 in Beal City to Peter and Susan Tilmann. She was formerly employed at St. Lawrence Hospital and retired in 1983. She was a member of the Catholic Community of St. Jude in DeWitt. She was preceded in death by her parents; husbands, Edward Doll (1962) and Homer Barnes (1989); brother, Aldean Tilmann. Surviving are 2 daughters, Sandra (Michael) Baldino of Lansing and Sharon (Pat) McCrackin of DeWitt; 8 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; sister, Dorothy Cashen of Clare; many nieces and nephews. The Funeral Mass will be celebrated **Wednesday, April 15, 11 a.m. at the Catholic Community of St. Jude, 810 N. Bridge St., DeWitt**, with the Rev. Bernard L. Reilly, Pastor officiating. The Rite of Committal will follow in St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery, Lansing. Friends may call at the Gorsline-Runciman Co. DeWitt Chapel, 111 S. Franklin, DeWitt, beginning Tuesday 2 p.m. where the family will receive friends from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. and the Scripture Rosary will be recited at 7:30 p.m. The family will also receive friends at the Church 1 hour prior to the Funeral Mass. Those desiring may make contributions to the Church or the charity of their choice in memory of Mrs. Barnes.

### Obituary

#### Mabel Bauerle

Mabel V. (Zieschke) Bauerle, 88, of DeWitt, died June 4, 1998 in East Lansing. Born December 29, 1909, Riley Township, she resided in DeWitt Township for 64 years. She graduated from both DeWitt (10th Grade) and St. Johns High School, Clinton County Normal and attended Central Michigan University. She was a school teacher, homemaker, and farmer. She was an active member of Redeemer United Methodist Church and a member of Clinton County Farm Bureau.

She was preceded in death by her husband Herbert in 1975, two sisters Grace Kroft and Glenna Knapp.

Surviving are three daughters, Ruth (Robert) Fink of Boulder, CO., Roberta (Harrison) Kelley of DeWitt, Rosalyn (Ted) Culver of Saline, one son Russel (Connie) Bauerle of DeWitt. Also nine grandchildren, Denise (Joseph) Missal, Daniel Fink, Ronald Bauerle, Laura (Orha) Weaver, Paul (Mary) Bauerle, Shannon Kelley, Daniel Kelley,

Tamara (Gregory Sabin) Cuver and Rebecca Culver; eight great-grandchildren, Jeffrey and Jason Missal, Sarah, Matthew and Joshua Bauerle, Kira and Deidra Weaver and Alex Sabin, sister, Gertrude Leitzke, brother in law, Earl Klaver.

Funeral services were held June 8 at Redeemer United Methodist Church with Rev. Rodney J. Kalajainen, Pastor, officiating. Interment was at DeWitt Cemetery.

Those desiring may make contributions to the church in memory of Mrs. Bauerle. The family would like to thank Burcham Hills Retirement Center for the compassion and care given to her.

#### BAUERLE, MABEL V. (ZISCHKE)

DeWitt

Funeral services will be held Monday, June 8, 1 p.m. at Redeemer United Methodist Church, 13980 Schavey Road, DeWitt. Interment will follow in DeWitt Cemetery, DeWitt. Friends may call at the Gorsline-Runciman Co. DeWitt Chapel, 111 S. Franklin, DeWitt, beginning Saturday, 6 p.m., where the family will receive friends from 6-8 p.m., Sunday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m., and 1 hour prior to the service at the Church. Those desiring may make contributions to the Church in memory of Mrs. Bauerle.

**BAUERLE, MABEL V.  
(ZISCHKE)**

**DeWitt**

Age 88, passed away June 4, 1998, in East Lansing. Born December 29, 1909, in Riley Township, Mrs. Bauerle resided in DeWitt Township for 64 years. She graduated from both DeWitt (10th Grade) and St. Johns High Schools (12th Grade), Clinton County Normal and attended Central Michigan University. Mabel was a school teacher, homemaker and farmer. She was an active member of Redeemer United Methodist Church and a member of Clinton County Farm Bureau. She was preceded in death by her husband, Herbert (1975), and 2 sisters, Grace Kroft and Glenna Knapp. Surviving are 3 daughters, Ruth (Robert) Fink of Boulder, CO, Roberta (Harrison) Kelley of DeWitt and Rosalyn (Ted) Culver of Saline; 1 son, Russel (Connie) Bauerle of DeWitt; 9 grandchildren, Denise (Joseph) Missal, Daniel Fink, Ronald Bauerle, Laura (Otha) Weaver, Paul (Mary) Bauerle, Shannon Kelley, Daniel Kelley, Tamara (Gregory Sabin) Culver and Rebecca Culver; 8 great grandchildren, Jeffrey and Jason Missal, Sarah, Matthew and Joshua Bauerle, Kira and Deidra Weaver and Alex Sabin; sister, Gertrude Leitzke; brother-in-law, Earl Klaver. Funeral services will be held **Monday, June 8, 1 p.m. at Redeemer United Methodist Church, 13980 Schavey Road, DeWitt**, with the Rev. Rodney J. Kalajainen, Pastor, officiating. Interment will follow in DeWitt Cemetery. Friends may call at the Gorsline-Runciman Co. DeWitt Chapel, 111 S. Franklin, DeWitt, Sunday, 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. and at the Church 1 hour prior to the service. Those desiring may make contributions to the Church in memory of Mrs. Bauerle. The family would like to thank Burcham Hills Retirement Center for the compassion and care given to Mabel.

## BECKWITH, CLAYTON L.

### DeWitt

Age 91, died March 20, 1998. Born October 30, 1906 in Lake Ann, MI, Mr. Beckwith retired from Motor Wheel after 34 years of service. He was preceded in death by a son, Richard L. and sister, Mary Beth. Surviving are his wife, Mildred; 1 son, Duane Beckwith of DeWitt; 3 grandchildren; 5 great-grandchildren; 4 great-great grandchildren; and 1 great-great-great grandchild; 1 sister, Leota Seger of Arizona; brother, John Beckwith of Ohio. Funeral services will be held Tuesday, **March 24, 12 noon at the Gorsline-Runciman Co. DeWitt Chapel, 111 S. Franklin, DeWitt**, with the Rev. Terry Alverson, Pastor of DeWitt Community Church, officiating. Interment will follow in Deepdale Memorial Park, Lansing. Friends may call at the Chapel beginning Monday, 2 p.m. where the family will receive friends from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Those desiring may make contributions to the American Cancer Society, 416 Frandor, Suite 104, Lansing, 48912 or Clinton Memorial Hospital, 805 S. Oakland, St. Johns, 48879 in memory of Mr. Beckwith.

# The Republican.

Thursday, Aug. 27, 1891.

## THE COUNTY.

### DEWITT.

DEWITT, Aug. 25, 1891.

Floyd Williams is suffering from a severe attack of inflammatory rheumatism.

E. B. Hill, after sixteen years absence in Texas, is visiting his brother, Eber Hill, in this village.

Ed. Bedell will be at the store of E. M. Webb in this village September 4th, to fill out pension papers for old comrades.

Owing to the large and increasing business of Spencer Norris and Fred Blizzard, they are obliged to make their store larger, which will run to Dunham's hardware store.

\* The Cheboygan Tribune says: Mark Scott, a former DeWitt boy, now of Rondo, pulls the reins over the best team in that locality, a pair of gray geldings, which speaks well of the ability of our farmers as horse breeders, as Mark purchased them while visiting his father David Scott. We know of no good reason why Mark should not drive a good team, as he was always a good fellow when among us.

MERCURY.

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## BELEN, LEO C.

DeWitt



Born October 11, 1919 in Westphalia, the son of Albert and Ida (Nau) Belen, died Wednesday, December 24, 1997 in Lansing.

Mr. Belen was honorably discharged from the U.S. Army, serving during World War II as an Intelligence Officer. He retired from Adams Tool & Die. He was active at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church in his earlier years and most recently attended the Catholic Community of St. Jude-DeWitt. He was a member of the Palmetto, FL Elks. He was preceded in death by his wife, Betty, in 1979. Survivors include his daughter, Marie (Ken) Atkinson of Palm Coast, FL; a sister, Alice (Sam) Terranova of Lansing; 3 grandchildren, Leo (Debbie) Howell of Flint, Melody (Billy) Newsom of Bunnell, FL, and Dawn (Jeff) McEachin of Swartz Creek; 7 great grandchildren; companion, Thelma Foster of DeWitt; and many loving nieces and nephews. The Funeral Mass will be celebrated **Monday at 10 a.m. at the Catholic Community of St. Jude-DeWitt** with Rev. Fr. Bernard Reilly as Celebrant. Rite of Committal will follow at St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery. Visitation will be Sunday 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. at the Palmer-Bush Delta Chapel, 6020 W. Saginaw Hwy., where the Scripture Service will be prayed Sunday at 7:30 p.m. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

**BELL, ETHEL A.****DeWitt**

Ethel A. Bell died June 26, 1998, at the age of 87. She was born in Novi on March 28, 1911, the daughter of Lee and Ida (McNitt) Thompson and lived most of her life in the Jackson and Langston areas before moving to DeWitt. She was the Valedictorian of the Addison High School Class of 1928; a graduate of Tri-State University in Toledo, OH; began working with the Sparks-Withington Company around 1934; and was later Office Manager for CASALBI Co. in Jackson until 1975. Ethel was a member of the Business and Professional Women's Club of Jackson and the American Legion of Greenville. She married Frank Bell in April of 1949 and they were the Owners of the Langston Bar in Langston, MI, from 1957-1973. Frank preceded Ethel in death in 1978. She is survived by one daughter, Susan (Garry) Smith of DeWitt; two grandchildren, Danielle Bitner of Lansing and Shane Smith of DeWitt; one brother, Bernard (Dorothea) Thompson of Champaigne, IL; one sister, Maxine (Beier) Hawkins of Jackson; and nieces and nephews. Memorial services will be held 2 p.m. Saturday, July 11, 1998 at the Osgood Funeral Home, St. Johns, with Pastor Joe Spackman officiating. The family will receive friends from 1-2 p.m. Memorials may be made to Hospice for Clinton County. Special thanks to Clinton Memorial Hospital HomeHealth & Hospice staff for their love and support, especially Agnes Cairns, RN, Louise Shellito, SNA, and Karen McClure, HHA.

# Clinton Express

Nov. 19th 1853

W. C. H. HANCOCK WILCOX to Miss L. M. C. L. A.  
NIST, wife of Olive.

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## D I E D ,

In Essex, on the 14th inst., HIRAM BENEDICT, in  
the 76th year of his age.

## **BENTON, BRUCE W.**

### **DeWitt**

In loving memory of Bruce W. Benton who passed away July 16, 1998 at the age of 71. He was born January 25, 1927 in Boyne City. Mr. Benton was self-employed as an Electrical Contractor for many years, and was employed as a State Electrical Inspector at the time of his death. He was preceded in death by his parents, Willis S. (1968) and Gladness L. (1984); and his sister, Darlene Griffon (1994). Surviving are his wife of 37 years, Carol; 2 sons, Douglas Benton of Colbert, GA and Scott Benton of Lansing; and 5 grandchildren. A memorial service was held at the Osgood Funeral Home, St. Johns.

*Remembering*



DeWITT AREA CHAPEL  
FUNERAL HOME  
H. PAUL TATE, DIRECTOR



There is never a life without sadness,  
There is never a heart free from pain;  
If one seeks in this world for true solace,  
He seeks it forever in vain.

So when to your heart comes the sorrow  
Of losing some dear one you've known  
Tis the touch of God's sickle at harvest  
Since He reaps in the fields  
He has sown.

IN MEMORY OF  
CHARLES W. BERKIMER

DATE OF BIRTH  
July 31, 1954  
Hillsdale, Michigan

DATE OF DEATH  
August 23, 1978  
Clinton County, Michigan

## SERVICES

DeWitt Community Church  
Friday, August 25, 1978  
1:00 p.m.

*OFFICIATING*  
Rev. Jerry Cole

*INTERMENT*  
DeWitt Cemetery  
DeWitt, Michigan

REFERRERS

Greg Minshall  
Gary Bouts  
Dan Davis

Ronny Wilcox  
John Sharp  
Bob Sharp

We shall be



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Our joy will be more complete  
if you can share in the marriage  
of our daughter, Elizabeth Ann  
to Mr. Bruce Wayne Kosloski  
on Saturday, the seventh of September  
Nineteen hundred and seventy-four

at six o'clock

Bethlehem Lutheran Church

549 East Mount Hope

Lansing, Michigan

Reception immediately following

Looking Glass River Sportsman Club

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd R. Berkimer





two  
shall  
become  
one

THE MARRIAGE SERVICE OF  
ELIZABETH ANN BERKIMER  
and  
BRUCE WAYNE KOSLOSKI

Bethlehem Lutheran Church  
Lansing, Michigan

6:00 p.m.  
September 7, 1974

THE OFFICIANT  
The Rev. James A. Schalkhauser

THE ORGANIST  
Mrs. Bayard Benfield

THE MATRON OF HONOR  
Linda Secord

THE BEST MAN  
Thomas Kosloski

THE BRIDESMAIDS  
Janet Smith  
Dawn Berkimer  
Carla Kosloski  
Robin Risk

THE FLOWERPINK  
Wendy Kosloski

THE RINGBEARER  
Patrick Berkimer

THE USHERS  
Daniel Kosloski  
Randall Berkimer

THE GROOMSMEN  
Jeffrey Kosloski  
Richard Sebrell  
Keith Berkimer  
Gordon Hyde

#### THE WORSHIP SERVICE

The Organ Prelude  
The Processional  
The Invocation  
The Hymn No. 443(vs.1,2)  
The Shared Word  
The Marriage Rite  
The Scripture for Marriage  
The Marriage Promise  
The Marriage Vows  
The Blessing  
The Prayer  
The Lord's Prayer  
*(congregation prays)*  
The Benediction  
The Recessional

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#### TO THE MARRIAGE GUEST

The bride and groom are honored by your presence.  
They invite you to share in this, one of the happiest  
and holiest moments of their lives.

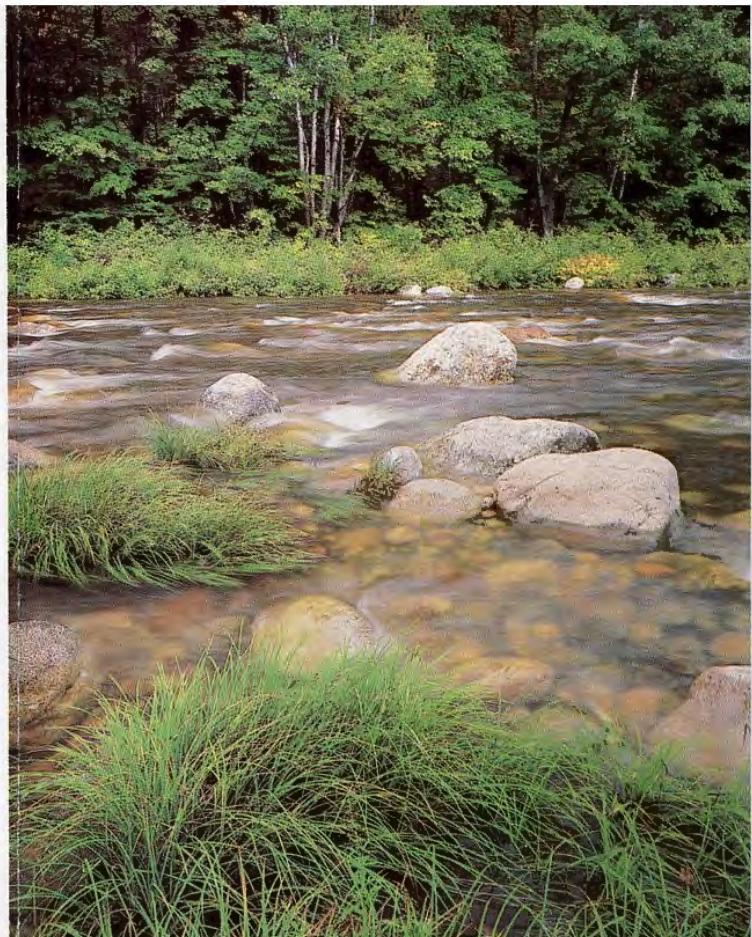
Marriage is ordained by God and God is to be worshipped in all we do here today. Let there be joy and thanksgiving for the blessings which the Lord of the Church has bestowed upon His people.

Will you offer a prayer that God's blessings may rest upon those who are at this time being united in the holy estate of matrimony.

**GR**  
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**Gregg A. Berkimer**  
Whitmore Lake, Michigan

**FOOTPRINTS**

One night a man dreamed he was walking along the beach with the Lord. As scenes of his life flashed before him, he noticed that there were two sets of footprints in the sand. He also noticed at his saddest, lowest times there was one set of footprints. This bothered the man and he asked the Lord, "Did you not promise that if I gave my heart to you that you'd be with me all the way? Then why is there only one set of footprints during my most troublesome times?" The Lord replied, "My precious child, I love you and would never forsake you. During those times of trial and suffering when you see only one set of footprints it was then I carried you."

**BORN**  
August 9, 1963  
Lansing, Michigan

**DIED**  
November 14, 1995  
Howell, Michigan

**SERVICES HELD AT**  
Gorsline-Runciman DeWitt Chapel  
Saturday, November 18, 1995  
4:00 P.M.

**OFFICIATING**  
Rev. Frederick C. Nose, Pastor  
DeWitt Community Church

**INTERMENT**  
DeWitt Cemetery

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## **BERKIMER, GREGG ALLEN**

**Howell**

### **Formerly of DeWitt**

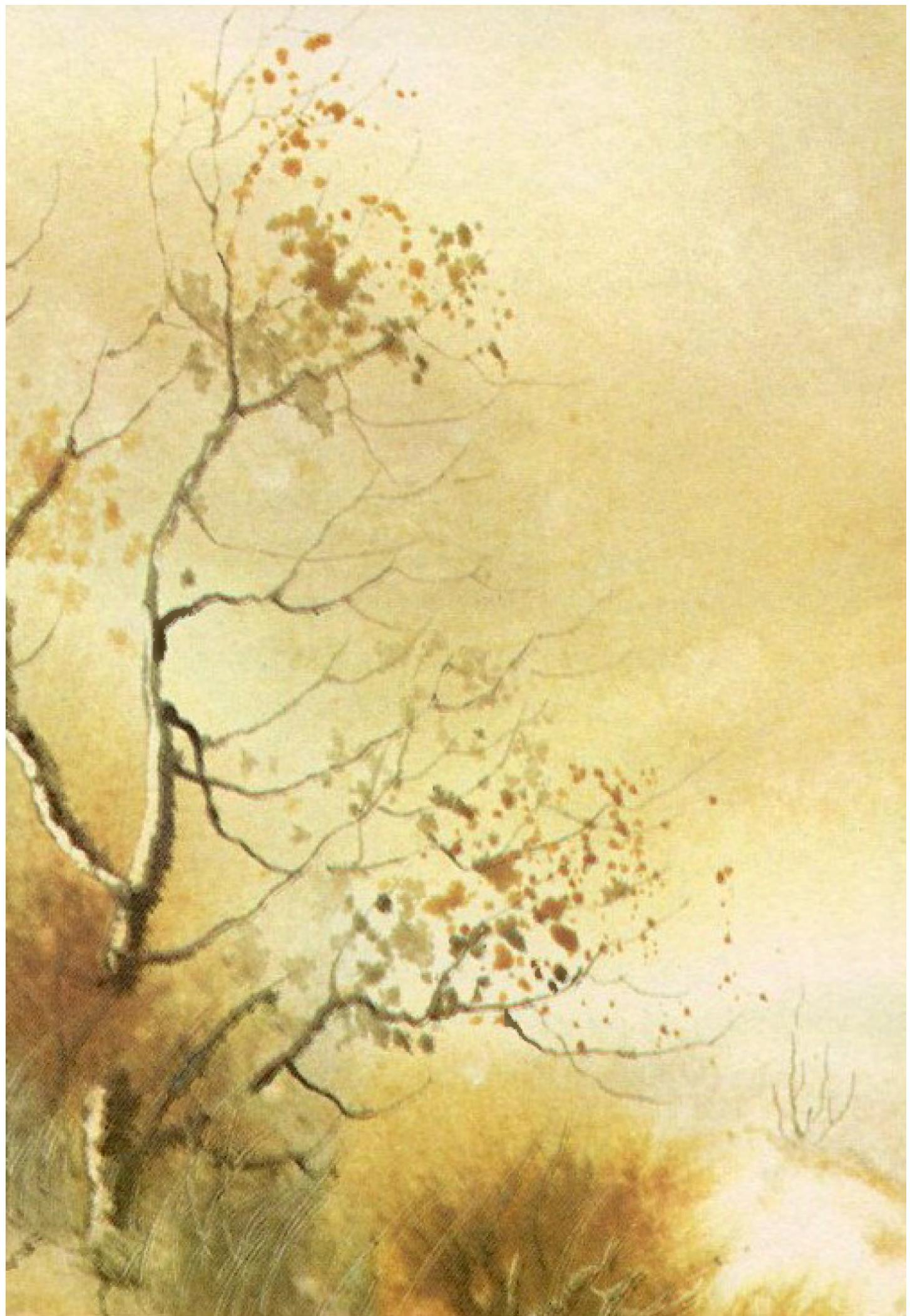
Age 32, Gregg went home to be with his Lord on Tuesday, November 14, 1995. His death was the result of an automobile accident. He is survived by his son, Charles J. Berkimer of West Virginia. Also surviving are his sisters, Linda (Rick) Secord of East Lansing, Ann (Barney) Kosloski of Waters and sister-in-law, Dawn (Ron) Wilcox of DeWitt; brothers, Randy (Jacki) of Chandler, AZ and Keith and Patrick of Lansing; grandmother, Susan Smith of Jackson; 11 nieces and nephews and several aunts, uncles and cousins. He was preceded in death by his father, Lloyd in 1995; his mother, Mickey in 1981; and his brother, Charles in 1978. Gregg was employed at Pyro Heating and Cooling of Howell. Funeral services will be held Saturday, November 18, 4 p.m. at the Gorsline-Runciman Co. DeWitt Chapel, 111 S. Franklin St., DeWitt. Interment will be in DeWitt Cemetery, DeWitt. Friends may call at the Chapel beginning Saturday, 10 a.m., where the family will receive friends from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. The family requests, in lieu of flowers, donations may be made at the Funeral Home to the Charles J. Berkimer Education Fund.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd R. Berkimer  
request the honour of your presence  
at the marriage of their daughter  
Linda Kay

to

Mr. Richard Marshall Secord  
Saturday, the twenty-second of April  
Nineteen hundred and seventy-two  
at six-thirty in the evening  
Calvary Baptist Church  
14769 Wood Street  
Lansing, Michigan

Reception immediately following  
at Prairie Creek Country Club  
DeWitt, Michigan



The Twenty-Third Psalm

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.  
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:  
    He leadeth me beside the still waters.  
He restoreth my soul: He leadeth me in the  
paths of righteousness for His name's sake.  
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the  
    shadow of death, I will fear no evil:  
        for thou art with me; thy rod and  
        thy staff they comfort me.  
Thou preparest a table before me in the  
presence of mine enemies:  
thou anointest my head with oil;  
    my cup runneth over.  
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow  
    me all the days of my life:  
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

***NORMA (Mickey) BERKIMER***

**Date of Birth**

*September 3, 1932*  
*Jackson County, Michigan*

**Date of Death**

*December 21, 1981*  
*Lansing, Michigan*

**Services at:**

*DeWitt Community Church*  
*Thurs., Dec. 24th, 1981*  
*1:00 P.M.*  
*Officiating*

*Reverend Murl Eastman*

**Interment**

*DeWitt Cemetery*

**Casket Bearers:**

<i>Art Newman</i>	<i>P.R. Wilcox</i>
<i>Don Seyfried</i>	<i>Gary Bouts</i>
<i>Robert Sharp</i>	<i>Larry Keck</i>

**Honorary Bearers:**

*DeWitt City Fire Dept.*



**BERUBE, ROBERT O.**

**765 Jacaranda Dr.**

**Anna Maria, FL**

Died Jan. 29, 1985 in Bradenton, FL. Mr. Berube was born in Munising, MI and was a graduate of Minising High School and Michigan State University with a masters degree. He had been a resident of East Lansing until moving to Bradenton, FL in 1984. He was retired as Vice President of Pavement Sealants Corp. of Wixom, MI and was a member of St. Bernard Catholic Church. Mr. Berube was a member of V.F.W Post #701 of Lansing, a member of Lansing Federation of Musicians Local #303, a retired Public School Instrumental Music Teacher in the Lansing area, a member of Alpha Pi Chapter of Delta Sigma Phi and Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, was a charter member of St. Thomas Aquinas Church of F.