

New Owner Makes Improvements At Jomax

Golf Carts Sales And Service Is A Team Effort

Story and photos by **Keri McAlpine**

Jomax Golf Carts has been a staple in Zephyrhills for dozens of years, offering different services throughout its stay. However, over time it has become clear what the small, but specialized, staff excels in: golf carts.

After taking over the wheel at Jomax on April 1, Marty Rood has vowed to bring the shop into the “modern golf cart world.”

He started working at Jomax three years ago, when it was run by local duo Bob and Cheryl Maxon. When the Maxons retired, Rood jumped at the opportunity to purchase the store located at 37746 Eiland Blvd.

“I fell in love with the business. I fell in love with the customers,” Rood said. “There’s not a lot of people that can actually say they love what they do.

We can say that.”

“I can say that,” confirmed Jomax employee Michael Gray.

Although Rood’s name is on the checkbook, it’s a team effort at Jomax. Rood relies on the experience of long-time employees Gray and Peter Karpys to help make all major decisions in the shop.

Eric Farrar has been added to the team since the change in management, bringing his powder coating and laser etching business in to enhance custom golf carts.

The most evident change at Jomax is the physical appearance of the shop. The inside of the store has been redesigned to be more customer friendly and efficient. A new sign is also being installed in front of the store to clearly identify it as solely a golf cart shop.

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Jomax Golf Carts has recently reorganized and revitalized their shop on Eiland Boulevard. From left, Peter Karpys, Marty Rood, Michael Gray and Eric Farrar make up the shop’s passionate team.



Hundreds attended last year’s Zephyrhills High School Alumni, Teachers and Friends Reunion, held at the Zephyrhills Lions Club.

Photo by **Keri McAlpine**

Generations Of Local Alumni To Convene

Annual ZHS Reunion Is Sunday

by **Joe Potter**

The common bond of having studied or worked at any of Zephyrhills’ schools will draw hundreds of people from across the country to the Lions Club on Sunday for the annual Zephyrhills High School reunion.

The event is primarily geared toward ZHS alumni, teachers and friends but no one who attended any other local school

will be turned away.

The reunion is held every year on the last Sunday of June. Past students are invited to attend along with non-alumni who have any kind of connection with the school.

The get together will begin at 11 a.m. when guests will be able to mingle and catch up on things that have happened

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Gomez Fighting For Family



Boxer Roberto Gomez, 15, of Zephyrhills, trains for the upcoming Junior Olympics with his trainer, Salvador Jaurequi, of Dade City.

Amateur Boxer To Compete In USA Junior Olympics

Story and photo by **Dave Walters**

When most athletes want to be successful, one of their top priorities when they make it big is to take care of their mom.

For 15-year-old amateur boxer Roberto Gomez of Zephyrhills, his

love for the sport and his talent have propelled him to be one of the top young amateur fighters in the country.

“At this point, boxing is a lifestyle, but when I’m in school, it’s all about getting good grades,” said Gomez, who just graduated from Stewart Middle School a few weeks ago. “When I’m in the ring, it’s about boxing. Wherever you are, it’s about being focused.”

Gomez plans to prove he’s one of the best again next week in the USA Boxing

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Joamx was previously used as a car dealership and for other trades, which was confusing for customers, Rood said. However, the shop does still test and install batteries for all automotive needs.

The Jomax name, from the original owners, has been retained. The people of Zephyrhills know the Jomax name, and Rood said he was not willing to take that away from the town.

Golf carts at Jomax range in price from \$2,500 to as much as \$12,000. Interested customers can buy a cart right off the showroom floor, or can make customizations that can take up to two weeks to fulfill, depending on available parts.

The custom carts, and the customers that come with them, are one of the best parts of the job for the guys at Jomax.

"It's amazing, for starters... Everybody knows who it is by the cart coming up the street," Rood said. "They're proud of it. They're creative. Our customers are teaching us creativity."

Rood intends to participate in every upcoming parade, and has invited customers to enter their custom carts alongside them.

While Jomax does its best to compete with Internet prices, they encourage interested buyers to at least call or stop by the store to see what their team can do. Jomax offers full maintenance and repairs for golf carts and will work on any golf cart a customer brings in for service or repair, regardless of what brand it is or where they bought it.

"Let us work on it. Let us help you with the parts," Rood said.

The shop's hours have also been changed to better meet the needs of locals and working-class customers. Jomax is now open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturdays.

Call (813) 788-5539 or visit jomaxgolfcarts.com for information on carts, services and a full list of batteries the shop has added to their inventory.

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Junior Olympics Championships in Charleston, W.Va., where he will battle for a spot in the 140-145-pound weight class in his age group.

He won the Junior Olympic national crown in Dallas, Texas last year in the intermediate class, but has moved up to the class where he could earn himself an opportunity to represent the United States in international competition.

Working with trainer Salvador Jaurequi in Dade City, Gomez won a state title and took the regional crown this year to qualify him for the Junior Olympics national tournament.

His time in the ring stems from his upbringing and situations from his past in Lacoochee. Ultimately, his goal is to help his mother, Quiana Hambrick, and his sisters.

A soon-to-be Zephyrhills High School freshman, he has his sights set on being the best and said he wants to be the next Floyd Mayweather. It may be a lofty goal, but one his coach encourages.

"You have to have big dreams," Jaurequi said. "Take it one day at a time. You take the baby steps to get where you're going,"

In his preparation for the Junior Olympics, Gomez has been sparring with some of the best junior fighters in the state.

"Right now, it's strictly boxing," Gomez said. "I'm doing three workouts a day. I'll be ready."

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Music Once Again Fills Hospice Center's Halls

Donated Piano Will Provide Music For Years To Come

Story and photo by Keri McAlpine

A special dedication ceremony was held at the Gulfside Center for Hospice Care last Friday to welcome a new, but familiar addition: a piano.

The halls of the center at 5760 Dean Dairy Road had been missing the sweet tunes of piano music for two months. A long time Gulfside volunteer who had previously donated the use of his piano to the center moved out of the Zephyrhills area and took his piano with him.

Volunteer and pianist John Poore, PhD, stepped in to fill the void and to bring the gift of music back to patients, families and staff.

Poore found Greg Sikosek, who was originally looking to sell his piano before moving from his Palm Harbor residence.

"When it came down to the piano and the opportunity to donate it came up it seemed like the right thing to do," Sikosek said. "It's a nice setting here. I'm very happy it's going to be played – I'm sure a great deal more than I've been able to in recent years."



John Poore, PhD, takes his turn playing the new piano donated to Gulfside Hospice's Zephyrhills care center to entertain guests before a piano dedication ceremony.

The black, upright Kawai piano sits comfortably in one of the back corners of the center's family area overlooking a pond. Before the dedication ceremony started, Poore took his turn tickling the ivories as volunteers and patients smiled, occasionally closing their eyes to relax and listen.

Rabbi Aaron Lever, patient care

volunteer and counseling services program manager at Gulfside Hospice, led the ceremony, thanking Poore and Sikosek for their contributions to the center. A plaque was placed atop the piano declaring how it came to sit in the room, so the donation will always be remembered.

Lever even tried out the keys, playing

"Leaves on the Seine" by David Lanz, to conclude the ceremony. The center's chef, Ruth Estice, put out a spread of fruit, vegetables and other light fare and sweets for the 2 p.m. dedication.

"The staff and the volunteers that worked in the building were very sad when the piano left... That was a fixture in this building," Lever said about the time without a piano. "For years to come hundreds and hundreds of patients and families are going to be touched because of this piano and everything that Greg and John did."

Poore also donated the resources to have the piano tuned upon its arrival to make sure every note was pitch perfect.

Now that the center has a piano, all they need now is for people to play it. Lever welcomes pianists to contact him at (727) 992-7969 or aaron.lever@ghppc.org for information on how to become a volunteer for Gulfside Hospice and regularly play the center's new piano.

Gulfside Hospice also has an abundance of other volunteer opportunities, including, but not limited to: administrative help, Thrift Shoppe volunteers, spiritual care volunteers, crafting volunteers and Reiki instructors.

Visit www.ghppc.org for a full list of volunteer opportunities and information.

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since the 2016 reunion was held.

The program will begin with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a short prayer and a moment of silence to remember classmates who have passed away since last year's reunion.

Those attending are asked to bring covered dishes to share for a buffet at 1 p.m. The fare generally includes mouth-watering items such as fried chicken, biscuits, green beans and casseroles, not to mention plenty of desserts.

Tables will be set up on the other side of the room where yearbooks and other memorabilia can be displayed.

Winners of various scholarships, including the Rosemary Trotman Award, will be announced.

One of the most exciting parts of the afternoon is the awards. The family with the most members present will be recognized along with the oldest graduate and the youngest graduate in attendance. The person travelling

the greatest distance to attend will also be honored.

The ZHS annual reunions have been around since the late 1970s and are likely to continue for many years into the future.

"The biggest thing about this reunion as opposed to a class reunion is you get to see people from all the years," Jerry Pricher, a member of the ZHS class of 1969, previously told the *Zephyrhills Free Press*.

Editor Keri McAlpine contributed to this article.



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First Baptist Church – Pastor Rob McKinney invites everyone to visit a going church with a coming Savior.

Our teen ministry (TRUTH Ministries) is held on Wednesdays at 6:15 p.m. with director Jason Hicks and youth leaders Barbara Hicks and Kaylee Hickey. Bus transportation is available.

Church visitation is every Monday at 5 p.m. The Sunrise Prayer Warriors meet weekdays from 6-7 a.m. in the church conference room. Everyone is welcome.

The Sunday services are: Sunday school for all ages, 9:30 a.m.; worship service, 10:45 a.m.; evening service, 6 p.m.; and Wednesday mid-week service, 6 p.m. Children's activities and choir practice are at 6 p.m. Call the church at (813) 782-5574. First Baptist Church is located at 38231 Fifth Ave. in Zephyrhills.

Just Church – Join us at 5221 Eighth St. in Zephyrhills. Pastor Ken Ringeisen invites you to Sunday worship at 10:30 a.m., led by Karl Bayles, followed by the anointed Word of God preached. 'JC Gang' is our children's church ministry run by husband and wife Jeremy and Jessica Hinz. Evening mid-week service begins at 6:30 p.m. until we are released by the Holy Spirit. Current series is free. Pastor Ken Ringeisen welcomes you to the little church with the power of a big God.

Zephyrhills First Church of the Nazarene – Men's breakfast is held on the first Saturday of each month at 8 a.m. in the Errickson Auditorium. Church bowling is held the second Saturday of every month at 2 p.m. at Pin Chasers.

Sunday school starts at 9:45 a.m. and contemporary worship is at 10:45 a.m. Sunday evening services start at 6 p.m. Join us on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. for Generations Bible study for all ages.

ZFN is located at 6151 12th St. in Zephyrhills. Call (813) 782-7032 or visit zfnfamily.org for information.

Christway Baptist Church – Come visit our church located at 38543 Fourth Ave. in Zephyrhills. Sunday service times are: Sunday school at 10 a.m.; morning service at 11 a.m. and evening service at 5:30 p.m. There is also a mid-week Bible study on Wednesday at 7 p.m. Call (813) 838-0086 or visit christwaybaptistchurch.com for information.

Heart of Worship – Heart of Worship is a family friendly non-denominational church located at 10628 U.S. 301 (at the Market Hill Shopping Center) between Zephyrhills and Dade City. Pastor Tony Disano is committed to his faith in God and preaching the Bible.

Sunday service is at 11 a.m. You are welcome to come early for a cup of coffee and a bite to eat. Bible study class is at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesdays. We have a praise team and great music. Family fun night is the last Sunday of the month with activities for children and adults. There are graded school rooms for the children and teens as well as a nursery. All are welcome to attend. Visit www.thehowchurch.org for information.

Trinity Church of Wesley Chapel – Sunday school is at 9 a.m. Traditional service is held at 8:30 a.m. and a contemporary service at 10:30 a.m. every Sunday. Family night is every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. There is a monthly Fish Fry on the last Friday of every month from 4-7 p.m. The price is \$7 for fish, two sides, dessert and a drink. The church is located at 33425 S.R. 54 in Wesley Chapel. Call (813) 788-2898 for information.

Cornerstone Community Church – Service times are Sunday school at 9 a.m.; Sunday worship at 10 a.m.; children's church at 10:30 a.m.; Wednesday Bible study at 7 p.m.; and Saturday Night Life at 6 p.m.

Worship with us at 8527 Old Lakeland Hwy. in Zephyrhills. Call Pastor John Faughnan at (352) 567-6494 or visit www.mycornerstonecc.com for information.

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) – Worship with us on Sundays at 10 a.m. at 6040 Eighth St., Zephyrhills (behind the post office).

Communion is available at all of our services and is open for all believers. We have morning and evening Bible studies; an active women's service group, men's breakfast and more. Call (813) 782-1071 for information.

First Congregational Church of Zephyrhills – Regular church service is at 10 a.m., with Sunday school from 9-9:45 a.m. An evening Bible study is held on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. We are currently studying First Corinthians.

The Men's Breakfast is held in the education building at 8 a.m. on the third Saturday of each month.

Our Men's Work Group (aka The God Squad) performs small handy work for our church members in need.

The church is located at 7900 Fort King Road. Visit www.fcczhills.org or contact the office at (813) 780-6027 or fcczh@aol.com for information. Office hours are 9 a.m.-12 p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Faith Baptist Church – Sunday morning worship service is held at 10:15 a.m. Growth groups for children, teens and adults are held Sundays at 6 p.m. On Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. is Summer BLAST for children ages 4-11 as well as adult Bible study and prayer meeting. Friday is teen night – call the church for further information.

The church is located at 38634 C.R. 54 East in Zephyrhills. Faith Baptist Church has been loving the Zephyrhills community for 44 years, providing answers for a changing world, strengthening marriages, and giving practical help in times of trouble. Visit fbczephyrhills.org or call the church office at (813) 782-0880 for information.

St. Elizabeth Episcopal / Anglican Church – Service times are Saturdays at 4 p.m., Sundays at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. and Wednesdays at 6 p.m. The church is located at 5855 16th St. (corner of 12th Avenue and 16th Street). Everyone is invited to attend. Our Sunday school meets at 9 a.m. Children of all ages are welcome to attend.

First Presbyterian Church – Located at 5510 19th St. Worship services are at 10 a.m. on Sunday. Dinner is served on Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. followed by classes from 6-7 p.m. for all ages, including an adult Bible study. Choir practice begins at 7 p.m. Call (813) 782-7412 for information.

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East Pasco Networking Group

The next meeting will be held June 27 and will feature Amanda Keith, marketing director for The Thomas Promises Foundation. In addition, Amanda is an award recipient of the Prestigious EPNG Standing Ovation Award.

Contact Nils Lenz at (813-) 782-9491 or nilslenz@gmail.com, or Vicky Jones at (813)431-1149 or donlvicl@yahoo.com or manager@palmtreemhp.com for information or suggested topics or speakers you would like to hear. If you would like to speak, contact us now as there are only a few open dates.

AMVETS Post #550

Monday is Bingo from 1-4 p.m. and the kitchen is open from 12-2 p.m. Every Tuesday is Karl Sapp from 4-7 p.m. with the kitchen open from 4-6:30 p.m. Wednesday is Ship, Captain and Crew from 1-3 p.m.; the Queen of Hearts is at 5 p.m.; and Corn Toss is also on Wednesdays. Thursdays from 4-7 p.m. is a meat raffle. Friday is our famous Fish Fry from 4:30-6:30 p.m. with other menu choices available. Entertainment is from 7-10 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays. On Sundays join E-bowling at 1:30 p.m. AMVETS is located at 4645 Airport Road in Zephyrhills. Find us on Facebook or call (813) 780-8180 for information.

American Legion Post #118

The honor society of American veterans, the 40/8, is now in Zephyrhills. Our promenades are the third Saturday of each month at 9:30 am. at American Legion Post #118.

American Legion Zephyr Post #118 meetings are held the third Wednesday of the month at 5340 Eighth St., Zephyrhills, at 7 p.m. Auxiliary meets at 1 p.m. the third Wednesday. The club is open for Legion members, veterans and guests at 3 p.m. Monday-Saturday and Sunday at 1 p.m. Canadian veterans are welcome. Membership is open to all eligible veterans. Call (813) 782-0481 for information.

Disabled American Veterans Chapter #65

We offer free assistance to veterans with benefit and claims issues. A certified service officer is

available Monday and Thursday from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Appointments are not necessary but are appreciated. We have moved from Zephyrhills to Dade City and are now located at the American Legion Post #15 building at 37745 Church Ave. in Dade City. Appointments only during July and August.

Military Order of the Purple Heart

Chapter #705 of the Military Order of the Purple Heart (MOPH) is calling all combat wounded veterans to join us promoting patriotism, history, fraternalism and assistance. We meet the first Wednesday of each month at 6 p.m. at AMVETS Post #550, 4645 Airport Road, Zephyrhills. Life membership is available for all combat wounded veterans, their dependents and survivors, for \$50, payable in two convenient payments of \$25 each. Call Earl McMillan at (813) 782-3425 or email emcmillan1@verizon.net, or contact Guy Patterson at (864) 561-6644 for information.

VFW #8154

Veterans of Foreign Wars #8154 is located at 3954 Paul Buchman Highway (State Road 39). Post and Auxiliary meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Wings and Things will continue to be from 1-6 p.m. on Sundays with music from 4-7 p.m. Monday Meat Drawings begin at 4:30 p.m. with music by Billy Cole from 5-8 p.m. Come enjoy and participate in Karaoke on Saturdays from 5-8 p.m. Call (813) 782-7194 for information.

Zephyrhills Family Moose Lodge

Mondays – Corn Hole Toss, 7 p.m. in the SQ and Spagetti/Chicken dinner from 5-7 p.m.; Tuesdays – Ship Captain Crew at 2 p.m. in the SQ, darts at 7 p.m. and taco Tuesday from 5-7 p.m.; Wednesdays – Dance on Hall Side and Karaoke with Cathy on SQ Side Wind Night from 5-7 p.m.; Thursdays – Live music in SQ from 2-5 p.m.; and burgers from 5-7 p.m.; Fridays – Fish Fry 4-7 p.m. every Friday.

All events are for members and qualified guests. Public Bingo on Thursdays at 6:30 pm is open to the general public. The lodge is located at 3211 Gall Blvd. and can be reached at (813) 782-1771.

Zephyrhills Eagles #3752

Smoking and non-smoking Bingo is held every Saturday at 1 p.m. Come early to enjoy our kitchen's burger sliders – two for \$2. Friday fish fries are from 5-7 p.m. and stay for Billy Cole Karaoke from 7-11 p.m. Monday night is good home cooking for \$6. Wednesday and Thursday are open menu items, and Sunday morning breakfast from 8-11 a.m. Stop in to visit and stay for a while. Calendars are on Facebook at Zephyrhills Eagles #3752 or call (813) 780-1558 for information.

Elks Lodge #2731

The Zephyrhills Elks Lodge is located at 6851 Wire Road. A fish fry is held every Friday evening from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. with music and dancing. Menu is fried or baked haddock, shrimp or baked chicken, baked potato or French fries, coleslaw or applesauce. Cost is \$10. All events are open to Elks and their invited guests. Karaoke with Dudley is every Tuesday beginning at 5:30 p.m. Summer hours are currently in effect – please see the Lodge bulletin for details. Call (813) 782-4604 for information.

Marine Corps League

The Sgt. Maj. Michael S. Curtin Detachment #1124 of the Marine Corps League (MCL) are looking for a few good Marines and Fleet Marine Force (FMF) Navy Corpsmen to join their ranks. The MCL meets on the last Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. at the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post #8154 located at the southeast corner of State Road 39 and Tucker Road at 3954 Paul Buchman Highway in Zephyrhills. Call (813) 788-5676 for information.

Marine Corps League Auxiliary

The Marine Corps League Auxiliary meets the first Saturday of each month at 11 a.m. at the Zephyrhills V.F.W. Post #8154 located at 3954 State Road 39. Call Vanice Holland at (772) 480-0658 for information.

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Debra J. Carlton

CARLTON, Debra J., 63, of Zephyrhills, passed away June 11, 2017. She was born Dec. 18, 1953, in Hollywood, Calif., to Donald and Sharon Chaney and worked for many years in retail sales. She is survived by her son, Michael Lee and Claudia Carlton; granddaughter, Isabella Sophia Carlton; grandson, Menahem Joseph Lopes; and three sisters, Linda, Catherine and Donna. Funeral services were held June 19 at the U.S. 301 Chapel of Hodges Family Funeral Home in Dade City. Interment followed at Floral Memory Gardens.

Maureen B. Hollister

HOLLISTER, Maureen B., 60, of Zephyrhills, passed peacefully in her home on June 3, 2017. Her family, friends and the many dogs she had rescued will miss her dearly. She spent her days raising money to help rescue shelters, those who needed help with veterinary bills and pet adoption. God will be taking care of her now, just as she had helped so many before she passed away. Her husband Ward, daughter, Iisha, son, Robert, grandsons, Christian and Brian, brother, James and sister, Kathleen, survive her. There will be a Celebration of Life and Remembrance at 1 p.m. on July 1 at 34221 Kiefer Road in Dade City. All of her friends are welcome. Hodges Family Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.



Jean Maries Hamel

HAMEL, Jean Marie, 84, passed away June 3, 2017. She was born Oct. 28, 1932, in Newmarket, N.H., to Levi and Jenny (LeVasseur) Hamel. Two daughters, Patricia Quaintal of Zephyrhills and Gerta Price of Arizona, survive her along with many nieces and nephews. Her brother, Roland Hamel, preceded her in death. Whitfield Funeral Home handled arrangements.

Bruce Andrew 'Andy' Howell

HOWELL, Bruce Andrew "Andy," 55, passed away June 5, 2017, at Tampa General Hospital as a result of complications from surgery. Andy graduated from Zephyrhills High School and attended Fork Union Military Academy in Virginia and Jacksonville State University in Alabama. He was employed by Winn-Dixie. His parents, Bob and Barbara Howell, survive him along with his daughters, Andra Worrell and Lindsay Foss; sisters, Caren Allen (Amanda and Dylan) and Crista (Austin) Larkin; grandsons, Dakota, kaiden, Cameron, Tanner and Cominic. His brother, Rick, predeceased him. Whitfield Funeral Home handled arrangements.

David Jolly

JOLLY, David, 57, passed away June 7, 2017. His loving family survives him. Whitfield Funeral Home handled arrangements.

Kenneth Krager


KRAGER, Kenneth, 82, passed away June 3, 2017. His wife, Gladys, and other loving family members survive him. Whitfield Funeral Home handled arrangements.

Albert James LaCrosse

LACROSSE, Albert James, 75, of Zephyrhills, passed away on June 13, 2017. Arrangements are entrusted to: Coastal Cremations.

Rose M. McLaughlin

MCLAUGHLIN, Rose M., 88, died April 5, 2017, in Zionsville, Ind. Her loving family survives her. Whitfield Funeral Home handled arrangements.

 **Robert T. O'Keefe**

O'Keefe, Robert T., 84, of San Antonio, passed away June 15, 2017. He was born Dec. 9, 1932. He was a United States Marine Corps veteran and a retired executive. His wife Gloria, survives along with five children and eight grandchildren. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in his memory to Gulfside Hospice in Zephyrhills.

Mark S. Phillips

PHILLIPS, Mark S., 59, of Zephyrhills, passed away June 10, 2017. He was born in Georgia on Feb. 23, 1958. He was a master carpenter. He will be greatly missed and loved by all who knew him. His loving wife, Patricia (Richards) Phillips, survives along with daughters, Stacie (Richards) Carter and Rebecca O'Dell. Mr. Phillips had seven grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, and is also survived by his brothers, Gary (Jackie) Phillips and Gregg Phillips. His parents, Melmeth and Jewel (Minielly) Phillips, preceded him in death. Services will be held later.

Virginia 'Ginger' Lee Ahlemeyer Russell

RUSSELL, Virginia "Ginger" Lee Ahlemeyer, 89, of Zephyrhills, passed away April 28, 2017. The daughter of Arthur Darrell Mast and Ethel Mae Grant Mast Davis, Virginia was born July 19, 1927, in Danville, Ill. Virginia worked as the secretary at the Wertz Memorial EUB Church and Arvin Industries in



Columbus, Ind., before finishing her career as the bookkeeper for the Lake County, Ind., Mental Health Association where her late husband, Charles, was director. Ginger was very active in her church, took great pride in her home, enjoyed visiting her family, camping and playing games. Her children, W. Bruce (Cindy) Ahlemeyer of Indianapolis, David (Peggy) Ahlemeyer of Tucson, Ariz., Susan (Carl) Ortega of Lansing, Ill. and Scott (Tina) Russell of Tampa, survive along with stepchildren, Ronald (Lori) Russell of Middlebury, Ind., Larry (Shirley) Russell of Glendale, Ariz., Brian (Terry) Russell of Beech Grove, Ind., Charlene (Ron) Mann of Louisville, Ky. and Brenda (Mark) VanFossen of Greenwood, Ind.; her sister, Darla Case of New Port Richey; 25 grandchildren; and 27 great-grandchildren. In addition to her parents, her first husband, William F. Ahlemeyer; her second husband, Charles A. Russell; and a sister and brother-in-law, Nancy and Jack Akin, preceded Virginia in death. A service to celebrate Virginia's life was held June 11 at Forest Lawn Funeral Home, in Greenwood, Ind. Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 50 E. 91st St., Suite 100, Indianapolis, IN 46240 or to the First United Methodist Church of Zephyrhills, 38635 Fifth Ave., Zephyrhills, Florida 33542.

Clinton Woolford Scott

SCOTT, Clinton Woolford, 91, of Zephyrhills, passed away June 3, 2017. He was born Sept. 17, 1925, in Ft. Benning, Ga., to Eugene and Dora (Richards) Scott. His daughters, Kathryn S. Rivera of Zephyrhills and Valerie Ann Brown of McDonough, Ga., survive him along with three grandchildren, Anna Marie, Maranda and Xavier; and seven siblings, Ann, Beatrice, Betty, Cary, David, Bobby and Zachary. His daughter, Julia Sue Scott, and his wife, Lucy Ann Everline Scott, preceded him in death. Graveside services were held at Oakside Cemetery. Whitfield Funeral Home handled arrangements.

Erlene Wilson

WILSON, Erlene, 84, died June 6, 2017. Her son John (Barbara) and grandchildren, Nathan and Carissa, survive her. Whitfield Funeral Home handled arrangements.



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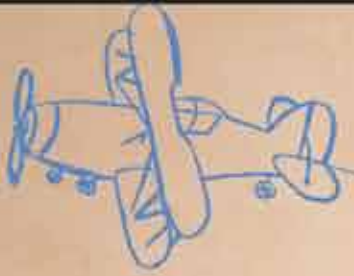
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