



## Thoughts and Prayers to the families of :

May God grant you strength and peace during these difficult days.

**Marilyn Verkler** - Gibson City - Jan 29, 2016. Survivors include daughters Donna Evans and Nancy (Randy) Coile, son Mike (Vicki) and 7 grandchildren. Marilyn worked for the Gibson Area Hospital for 26 years in the Nursing Department, in addition to working part time as Wil-E-Makit antiques and Melodee's Catering following her retirement.

**David Roop '56** - Pembroke Pines - September 5, 2015. Survivors include wife Elizabeth. David served as a proud pilot in the USAF and also worked as a pilot for several Airlines.

**Robert 'Bob' Svedlund '56** - Union, SC. - February 16, 2016. Widower of Carolyn (deceased). Survivors include children Tim (Melissa), Steven (Shannon), 6 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren. Robert was a veteran of the US Marine Corps.

**David Lee Rainwater '74** - St. Peters, MO. - February 28, 2016. Survivors include wife Karen (Koch) and children Jeff (Taylor) and Jamie, sister Debbie (Lee) Cavinder and brother Mike.

**Rhonda K Bridgwater** - Altoona, Wis. - March 2, 2016. Survivors include father Robert Huron and mother donna lambert (David) Meister, son Dallas and daughter Leslie.

**Melissa A Williams** - Gibson City, IL - March 2, 2016. survivors include her parents Michael and Kathleen (Kumler) Williams, daughters Lacey (Mark) Retread and Kayla Enghausen, 1 grandson, sister Mattie Hudson and maternal grandmother Phyllis Kumler.



### 9th Greyhound Festival

Saturday, July 16, 2016  
(Annually 3rd Saturday of July)

Courage is looking fear right in the eye and saying;  
'Get the Hell out of my way ! I've got thing to do !'

*"Time is like a river. You cannot touch the same water twice because the flow that has passed will never pass again. Enjoy every moment of your life ! "*

The former Paxton Record (now '**Ford County Record**') , has stepped up in reporting news of Gibson. (I personally miss the Gibson Courier very much, but am broadening my search for news.) A February 18th article featured **Vernon and Jessie (Donner) Roesch** of Gibson with a very nice story of their life together...how and when they met and highlights of their 71 years. When asked why she chose Vernon over that 'other guy' she was dating, Jessie's answer was simple: 'I always thought he was nice looking. He was a lot nicer looking than the other fellow. When I saw him I knew he was the one. " 'I didn't have a choice; it was leap year", joked Vernon. 'The only girlfriend I had, I married her. "  
Congratulations on a 'wonderful life', Vernon and Jessie !

Always say a Prayer (ASAP)  
for all of our classmates who are facing health  
issues (listed here or not)

Betty '53 Moser, Jo (Fry '54) Franz,  
Marvin Kumler '58, Nancy (Conover '58) List,  
RoseAnn (Bridgwater '65) Moore, Pam (Lewis '72) Verdeyen,  
Doug Carson '75, Tim Gardner

Note: Let me know if there is anyone you want added to this list.  
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