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Obituaries can be faxed to the Journal at 285-7206; e-mailed to tammiec@ifallsjournal.com; or mailed to The Journal at 1602 Highway 71, International Falls, MN 56649.

We encourage electronic delivery of obituaries and any accompanying photos.

If desired, The Journal will e-mail or fax a proof of the obituary to the funeral home handling the service.

For more information, call Tammie Calder at 285-7411.

Daisy Mae Bjork, 81

Daisy Mae Bjork, 81, of Baudette, Minn., died Thursday, Sept. 12, 2013, at LakeWood Health Center, Baudette.

Daisy was born July 19, 1932, in Roosevelt, Minn.

She was a homemaker and enjoyed gardening, cooking, baking, and taking care of her children.

She was preceded in death by husband, Bert Bjork; parents, Arthur and Mary (Fish) Battles; brothers, Thayer (Edna) Battles, Howard (Kathy) Battles, Harvey (Irene) Battles and Clyde Battles; and sisters, Vangeline (Julius) Lewis, Donna Mae and Mildred.

Daisy is survived by her

sons, Jerry and Bert Bjork; daughters, Cheryl Bjork and Becky (Mac) McAuley; 11 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; brothers, Lawrence (Betty) Battles and David (Norma) Battles; sisters, Mary (Ray) Friesner and Aleta Battles; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation was one hour prior to the 1 p.m. funeral service Tuesday, Sept. 17, at First Assembly of God Church, International Falls.

Interment is at Forest Hill Cemetery.

Condolences may be left at www.greenlarsen.com.

Arrangements were with Green-Larsen Mortuary Inc., International Falls.

Charles Winfield Anderson, 88

Charles Winfield Anderson, age 88, of Eagan, Minn., formerly of Bloomington, Minn., passed away peacefully Sunday, Sept. 15, 2013.

He was born in International Falls, Minn.

He proudly served as a Flight Officer in the Army Air Corps during World War II.

He was a City of Bloomington police officer and retired as Captain of Detectives.

He is survived by his loving wife, Toni; children,

Rick (Sue), Tom (Nancy), Jerry (Tracey), Jeff, Mitch (Deb) and Cristi (Tod); stepchildren, Kelly (Mark), Brett and Sean (Julie); numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren; nieces, nephews, other loving relatives, and friends.

A Celebration of Life is planned for 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 21, at Cremation Society of Minnesota, 7110 France Ave. S., Edina, MN (952-924-4100).

In lieu of flowers, memorials preferred.



John Lloyd Wenberg, 92

John Lloyd Wenberg, 92, died at the Good Samaritan Society-International Falls, in International Falls, Minn., Saturday, Sept. 14, 2013.

He was born Feb. 10, 1921, in International Falls, to Sigurd and Sarah Horgen Wenberg.

John attended local schools and graduated from Falls High School in 1938.

John Lloyd Wenberg was a lifelong member of Zion Lutheran Church. He was baptized in 1921, confirmed in 1935, and on Aug. 21, 1943, was united in marriage to Betty Jane Thompson by the Rev. R.O. Evans at Zion Lutheran Church.

John was very active in the church and Sunday School, serving as a council member and on call committees and singing in the choir for over 60 years. For many years he was in a quartet with his sisters, Dorothy Haugland and Meryl Lundin, and brother-in-law, Lennard Lundin.

John enjoyed fishing on Rainy Lake with his family at his favorite spots in Redgut and Mainville, picnicking at City Beach, Sand Point, Birchdale and Woodenfrog, and blueberry picking on the Galvin Line.

John spent the summers of his youth on his grandparents' Alfred and Anetta Horgen's farm in Warren, Minn.

John loved to golf at the Falls Country Club and while wintering in Punta Gorda, Fla., after his retirement.

He also was an avid Minnesota Vikings and Twins fan.

He enjoyed music, especially the Big Band era and "Polka Dots and Moonbeams" and "Unforgettable."

He enjoyed spending time with his family, including his children, nieces, nephews, grandchildren and great-grandchildren and was a wonderful role model for them.

John was a World War II veteran, inducted into the United States Army at Fort Snelling in September of 1942.

He served as a truck driver with the 227th Anti-Aircraft Artillery Searchlight Battalion Battery B in Australia, New Guinea and the Philippines from January of 1943 to January of 1946.

The Battalion was awarded the Asiatic Pacific Campaign Medal with a Bronze service arrowhead and three Bronze service stars for participation in the New Guinea, Leyte and Luzon Campaigns, the Philippine Liberation Ribbon with a Bronze star and the Philippine Presidential Unit Citation Badge.

He was a lifetime member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion.

John owned and operated Wenberg Transfer, a business founded by his father, Sigurd Wenberg, in 1924. John took over the business from Sig in 1946.

He started working on the trucks with his dad at a young age, hauling mail and fish to the train station and gradually expanding from straight trucks to semi-trucks.

He also hauled pulp and worked at the Biondich logging camp in the late 1930s and '40s.

He expertly packed and moved many households into and out of International Falls and the general area from 1946 to 1978.

A well-respected employer and business owner serving the community of International Falls, John safely drove trucks and transported needed goods for close to a million miles throughout the region in all weather conditions with no accidents.

He was in partnership with his son, John S., from 1972 to 1987 when he retired.

John was preceded in death by his wife of nearly 70 years, Betty Thompson Wenberg, in March 2013; parents, Sigurd and Sarah Horgen Wenberg; sisters, Lois Brown, Dorothy Haugland, Meryl Lundin and Elizabeth (Libby) Peterson; father-in-law, Ben Thompson; mother-in-law, Gina Thompson; brothers-in-law, Harold Brown, Harold Haugland, Lennard Lundin, James Peterson, Lynn (Bud) Thompson, Milton Thompson, Marshall Brown, Loren Sarntain, Norman Stube, Morris Cline, James Thompson and George Vaux; and sisters-in-law, Ruby Estabrooks, Mavis Sarntain, Eileen Stube, Shirley Thompson and Margaret Cline.

John is survived by his son, John S. Wenberg (Pamela) of International Falls; daughters, Mary Jane Carlson (Larry) of



Port Charlotte, Fla., and Candace Haugtveldt (Curtis) of Westerville, Ohio, and Sharon, N.D.; grandchildren, Michael Carlson, Jody Youso (Shawn), Jennifer Wenberg Anderson (Charles), Clayton Wenberg (Dena), Erica Haugtveldt (Evan Thomas) and Andrea Haugtveldt; great-grandchildren, Jessa Youso, Ethan Youso, Gunnar Anderson, Teagan Anderson, Kelby Anderson and Kenzie Wenberg; brother-in-law, Gillette Keith Amidon; sisters-in-law, Dorothy Brown, Shirley Vaux, Janet Amidon and Margaret Thompson; and many cousins, nieces and nephews.

A Celebration of Life service will be conducted at 1 p.m. Friday, Sept. 20, at Zion Lutheran Church.

Visitation will be one hour prior to the service at the church.

Interment will be in the VFW section of Forest Hill Cemetery.

Condolences may be left at www.greenlarsen.com.

Arrangements are with Green-Larsen Mortuary Inc., International Falls.

Lynn 'Lucky' Ellsworth, 70

Lucky Ellsworth, 70, of Longview, Wash., was welcomed into the arms of the Lord on Dec. 16, 2012, after a long battle with cancer.

He was born Sept. 12, 1942, in Littlefork, Minn., to Lester and Evelyn Ellsworth of International Falls, Minn.

Lucky was preceded in death by his parents and three brothers, Gifford, Bernard and Keith.

He is survived by his wife, Shelly, daughters, Rashell and Louana and son Jamie, all of Longview, Wash., daughter, Cindy and son-in-law, Layne of Centralia, Wash., and son,

Kevin, who went missing in International Falls in 1982.

He is also survived by a brother, Arnold Ellsworth of Castle Rock, Wash.; sisters, Enid Carr of Wirt, Minn., Lolita Adams of Baudette, Minn., and Robin Adams of Winterville, N.C.; eight grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Lucky's CB name was "The Travelin' Man" because of making numerous trips from International Falls to Kelso-Longview and other parts of the country.

He loved to travel, camp,

fish, cook and play cards.

He had a great sense of humor and was always willing to help anyone in need.

He had an abundance of love for his grandchildren and cherished every moment spent with his family.

His love for the Lord was strong and he gave many testimonies.

Lucky's daughter, Cindy, is bringing him back to International Falls to lay him to rest with his parents at Forest Hill Cemetery. She would like you to join her in a memorial service to be conducted at 1 p.m. Friday, Sept. 20, at First Assembly of God Church,



International Falls. There will be coffee and desserts to share. Please bring your memories and a smile, for Lucky!

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