



Cynthia A. Cambardella

March 8, 1953 – September 21, 2020

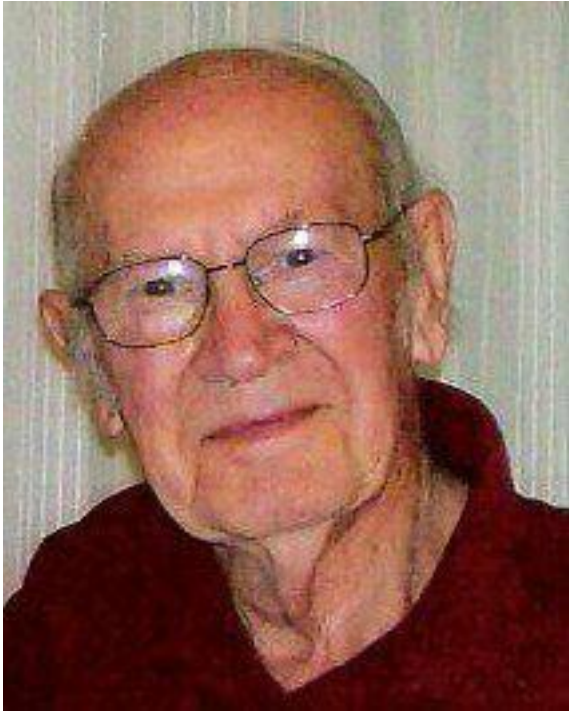
Cynthia A. Cambardella, Ames, IA, passed into the Light at her home September 21, 2020, following a difficult walk with lung cancer.

Cindy was born March 8, 1953, in Old Forge, PA. The oldest of four siblings, Cindy was preceded in death by her parents, Joseph Anthony and Eleanor (Mazeleski) Cambardella; and her brother, Louis. She is survived by her loving spouse, Janet Hartman; a brother, Bill (Michele) of Reading, PA; sister, Mary (John) Kamberger of Clear Lake, IA; and their families.

As a talented, spirited and independent young woman, Cindy earned a B.S. in Microbiology and Chemistry from the University of Maryland (College Park, MD) and a Ph.D. in Soil Ecology and Ecosystem Science from Colorado State University (Ft. Collins, CO). Cindy moved to Ames in 1991 to work as a Research Soil Scientist for the USDA-ARS at the National Soil Tilth Laboratory (present day NLAE). Cindy's dedication to environmentalism inspired her ground-breaking research, which focused on how land use and agricultural management practices impact soil health and water quality and the benefits of organic farming. She believed in teamwork and collaborated widely with agricultural scientists across the country and beyond as an investigator, consultant, advisor, and reviewer. She was a founding member and leader of the Sustainable Agriculture Community in the American Society of Agronomy. Cindy was held in high regard as a teacher and a mentor by numerous undergraduate and graduate students. She was an excellent speaker and writer, a challenging colleague and dedicated supervisor. She retired in 2019 from the USDA-ARS after 27 years of distinguished service during which she also served as an Affiliate Associate Professor of Soil Science in the Department of Agronomy at Iowa State University.

In her personal life, Cindy strove to be genuine, honest, loving and kind. Cindy was devoted to AA recovery and the friends she had in the program. She had a rich spiritual life and loved nature, both plants and animals. She was a loyal, loving friend and cared deeply for the people in her life. We will miss her smile, her authenticity, and her bright spirit.

Due to COVID, a Celebration of Life will be held at a later date.



Robert Grover Brown (“Grover”) passed away peacefully on Aug. 10, 2020, at 94 years old. Brown was born on April 25, 1926, in Shenandoah, Iowa, to Grover Whitney and Irene (Frink) Brown. He graduated from Shenandoah High School in 1944 and immediately enlisted in the United States Navy. He served honorably until his discharge in 1946.

Brown then enrolled at **Iowa State University** (then known as the Iowa State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts) in the electrical engineering program, now known as the **Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering**. He earned his B.S., M.S. and Ph.D. degrees at Iowa State. After working in industry for two years at North American Aviation in California, he established a life-long career at Iowa State as a professor of electrical engineering and remained there until his retirement in 1989.

He received the honor of the Anson Marston Distinguished Professorship in Engineering in 1976, and at his retirement, he was given the title of Distinguished Professor Emeritus, which he held until his death. Brown belonged to and received a number of awards from the **Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE)** and the **Institute of Navigation (ION)** professional organizations and was highly respected in his field. In addition to numerous technical papers, he was the author or coauthor of several well-regarded university textbooks, one of which has been in continuous use (in revised editions) for at least 35 years. He also helped many engineers learn the basics of positioning with GPS satellites through his work with NavTech Seminars. His many graduate students as well as his fellow faculty members held him in high regard, both professionally and personally.

On May 23, 1953, Brown married Lova McLaughlin of Minburn, Iowa, at the Little Country Church of Hollywood in California. They soon returned to Ames, and Brown began his career at Iowa State. They had two daughters, Janet (Neumann) and Lori (Richardson), and remained married until Lova’s death in 2006.

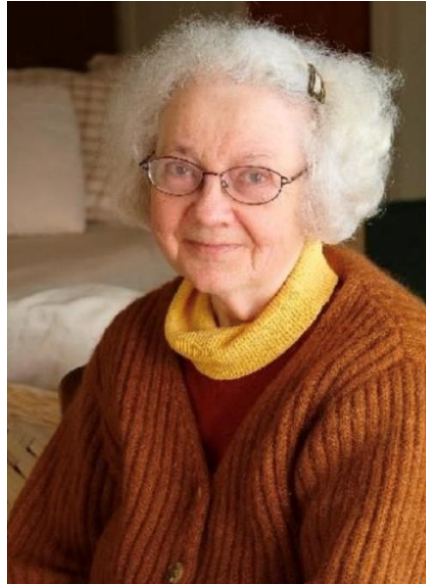
In 2012, Brown married Joanne Shaw Andersen, a fellow Shenandoah High School classmate. They resided at The Village – a Wesley Life Community in Indianola. Joanne passed away April 25, 2020, and Brown followed shortly thereafter.

Brown had many interests. He earned his private pilot's license and loved to fly a small plane that he shared with a group of friends. He loved to travel and took his family to many interesting places through the years. He loved boating, fishing and especially sailing.

Upon his retirement, he and Lova moved permanently to their vacation home in Clear Lake, Iowa, where he belonged to the Clear Lake Yacht Club and participated in weekend sailboat races for many years.

Brown was a kind and generous man, highly respected in his profession, and a loving husband and father. He will be missed by many, many people.

A celebration of life will be planned at a future date. Memorials may be directed in his memory to: **Clear Lake Yacht Club Sailing School** or **The Wesley Life Meals on Wheels Fund**. Choose Wesley Life Meals on Wheels Fund.



Joanna Courteau

When Joanna Courteau first joined the Iowa State faculty as a Spanish and Portuguese instructor in 1971, she was one of nine new faculty members. "It wasn't my intention to stay for 35 years but that's how it happened," she recalled upon her retirement celebration in 2007.

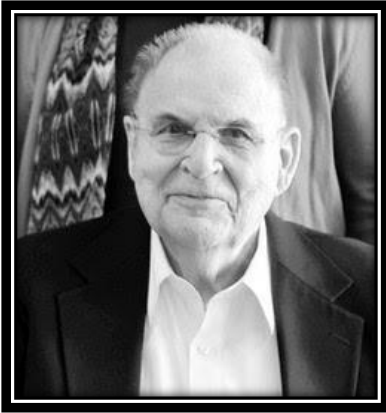
During her tenure at Iowa State, Joanna taught a broad range of undergraduate and graduate courses in Spanish and Portuguese languages, literatures and cultures. She wrote two books, published more than 50 articles, reviews and delivered countless papers at national and international conferences. She was recognized nationally and internationally for contributions to the study of literature by women, literature of national identity and literature dealing with ideological paradigms of the 20th century.

Joanna was also the winner of the 1997 Wilton Park International Award for her work overseas. A major reason for that award was her creation and direction of the Iowa State semester-long study abroad program in Valladolid, Spain, the first study abroad opportunity offered solely for Iowa State students. In 1999, she achieved the rank of University Professor.

Joanna had been instrumental in the development of the international studies major in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. While she served as vice president of the Faculty Senate, Joanna proposed and ultimately led the passage of the International Perspectives requirement for all Iowa State students.

Joanna's international activities weren't confined only to campus. She served as associate editor of *Hispania* and was the founder and first president of the American Portuguese Studies Association.

Upon her retirement, Joanna relocated to Ann Arbor, Michigan to be near her grandchildren. When she passed away at home on July 5, 2020, she was 81 years old.



Faculty Senate

December 8, 2020

HAROLD REID CRAWFORD

FEBRUARY 9, 1925 - MAY 27, 2020

Dr. Harold R. Crawford passed away at the age of 95. He had an immense impact on Iowa State University and Agricultural Education.

Harold enrolled at Iowa State University as a transfer student in the fall of 1948. After graduating from ISU with a degree in Agriculture Education in 1950, Harold taught high school vocational agriculture classes in Story City and Sac City, Iowa. He earned a master's degree from ISU while teaching in Story City (1955) and returned to ISU in 1965 to teach in the Ag. Ed. Department. He earned his Ph.D. in Ag. Education in 1969 from ISU and served as department head for a number of years. Dr. Crawford taught countless students over his 15 years as a high school teacher as well as his 42 years teaching at ISU. In 1969 he was named Professor of the Year by students in the College of Agriculture.

Harold served as Associate and Assistant Dean and Director of International Agriculture programs in the College of Agriculture & Life Sciences at Iowa State. He helped establish the College of Agriculture's off-campus bachelor's degree program and oversaw the college's (and Iowa's) first satellite class. He was instrumental in setting up cooperative programs with the University of Costa Rica and establishing student exchange programs in the Czech Republic, Slovakia and the Ukraine. Additionally, he spent countless hours coordinating Ag. Ed. efforts with African-American and Tribal (Native American) colleges. Harold had an office on Iowa State's campus even after retiring in 2007 and enjoyed teaching so much that it has been said he retired three different times.

Dr. Crawford remained dedicated and passionate about teaching throughout his life. He received numerous awards over the years, including Outstanding International Service Award, Alumni Medal for Distinguished Service to Iowa State, the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences George Washington Carver Distinguished Service Award, and was named one of the Nation's Top 10 Leaders in Agriculture Education throughout the history of Ag. Ed. He was named Outstanding Agricultural Teacher/Educator in the United States in 1992, and received many other awards and honors over his years of teaching.

Iowa State's Ag. Ed. Department celebrated its 100th anniversary in 2011, with Harold serving for more than 50 of those years. At that time, the Harold and Rachel Crawford Agricultural Teacher Education Complex was named to honor them in Curtiss Hall. His legacy and passion for teaching will live on in these classrooms. Perhaps no motto was more important to Harold's philosophy than this: "To teach is to serve. To serve is to give. To give is to live." He will be remembered as an effective and innovative educator, a teacher of teachers.

As time permits, please read about the high points of his life, and his loving family, as shared in this obituary:

<https://www.grandonfuneralandcremationcare.com/obituary/456928/Harold-Crawford/>



Linda Galyon

Linda Rouch Galyon, 86, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, October 2, 2019, at Green Hills Retirement Center in Ames. She will be greatly missed. We are very grateful for the kind care and attention she received from the staff and friends at Green Hills during the past seven years.

Linda was the daughter of Jane (Draper) and Marvin Rouch of Kokomo, Indiana. She was born in Little Rock, Arkansas, on April 29, 1933. As a child, she lived in Little Rock, AR; Memphis, TN; and then graduated from high school in Kokomo, Indiana. After first attending Monmouth College in Illinois, she graduated from the University of Indiana in 1956 with an A.B. in English. She obtained a Master's degree from the University of Indiana in 1962. In 1958, while working on her Master's degree and as an instructor at Indiana University, she met her future husband, Aubrey E. Galyon, Jr., whose office was across the hall. They were married on August 16, 1958, in Kokomo, Indiana. In 1959, Linda and Aubrey moved to Ames where they would both take positions as instructors at Iowa State University. In 1974 Linda received a Ph.D. in English from the University of Iowa. She went on to become an Assistant Professor and then an Associate Professor of English at Iowa State University, teaching there until her retirement in 1998. Linda's scholastic work and teaching concentrated on the works of William Shakespeare, Edward Spencer and other literature of the English Renaissance.

Linda was instrumental in forming the Women's Studies Program at Iowa State University, which began in 1977, and was the program's second chair, serving from 1980-84, and again from 1994-97. She also served on many committees at Iowa State University, including: African American Studies Steering Committee, Dean's Cabinet, ISU Faculty Senate, LAS Curriculum Committee, and the University Committee on Women. In 1996 she received the Carrie Chapman Catt Award for Outstanding Contributions to Sex Equity.

Throughout her life she was a lover of literature, art, music, opera, and ballet. Linda helped organize the Shakespeare Symposium at Iowa State University, and was active in the Story County Democratic Party. She was a lifelong champion of progressive values and fought for equal rights and access for women, minorities, and other marginalized people. She continued her love of knowledge and reading till her last days, continuing to read *The Nation*, *The Progressive Populist*, and *The New York Times*. Linda and her late husband, Aubrey, traveled extensively in Europe until his death in 1990. She continued to travel both here and abroad, seeking out new lands and experiences, traveling to England, France, Greece, Italy, Scotland, and Spain. She was an extraordinary cook, and consummate entertainer and hostess, hosting numerous dinner and cocktail parties, large and small, throughout her life in Ames.

Linda was preceded in death by her husband Aubrey, and by her parents, Jane and Marvin Rouch. She is survived by her son, Alex (Jane) of Ames, and three grandchildren: Andrew (Minneapolis, MN); Zach (Seattle, WA) and Olivia (Iowa City, IA). Arrangements are under the care of Adams Funeral Home of Ames. Online condolences can be left for Linda's family at www.adamssoderstrum.com.

A celebration of life memorial service will be held on Sunday, October 27, 2019, at 3 p.m., at St. John's Episcopal Church, Ames. There will be a private burial next to her husband Aubrey at the Iowa State University Cemetery prior to the service.

In lieu of flowers, memorials in Linda's name may be directed to the Linda Galyon Undergraduate Scholarship at Iowa State University.

Comments from a student –

'I was a student in ALL of her classes. I loved her that much! She has been an inspiration in my own teaching. She was a kind woman who always expected my best.' Tammy Dickinson-Ferrell



Lee Barnhardt Honeycutt (1959-2019)

Lee Barnhardt Honeycutt was born on May 29, 1959 to the spirited Robert (Bob) and Ruth (Ruthie) Honeycutt. On November 6, Lee took his final breaths in the warming embraces of his wife Carolyn and best friend Creech, while his pastor provided the guiding words on his path to everlasting peace.

The stories of Lee's life are reflective of a ridiculously keen intellect, a wandering and curious soul in God's natural world, and a loving man who never met a stranger. He warmed our hearts with beautiful song, an infectious smile, sharp wit, and he faced any challenge with sense of discovery.

His wild journey included work as a private investigator, UPI Bureau Chief in Savannah, and mansion caretaker for the Bacardi Rum family. Once Lee returned to academics, he discovered a desire to understand how language and technology impact humanity and a wish to pass that to his students, whose lives he profoundly changed at Iowa State University as an Associate Professor.

An undergraduate degree from UT Knoxville, masters at UNC Charlotte, and PhD in Rhetoric and Professional Communications from RPI in Troy, NY provided a base of knowledge, but his need to know everything about a subject made him tick. His appreciation for music, the outdoors, politics, energy policy, religion, and reading never allowed for a dull moment.

In the late 1980s, Lee and Carolyn met and the connection was instantaneous. Their laughter and passion took them to the altar on October 27, 1991 and across the continent, facing their adventures with an unwavering love. Even after the diagnosis of Glioblastoma Multiforme IV in January 2017, Lee would see this as an opportunity for research, and do everything he imagined, just in a more definitive timeframe. It would not define him, but instead enhance him. The day after diagnosis, Lee and Care did not wallow and instead took in a trip to the Museum of Pop Culture where Lee found Duane Allman's 1957 Cherry Sunburst Gibson Les Paul, fulfilling a lifelong quest.

Lee lives on in the hearts of his wife Carolyn Sue (Holt) Honeycutt and best friend S. Creech Hardee, Jr. Lee leaves behind brothers Franklin Gaines Honeycutt, cherished sister-in-law Cindy (Cynthia Christmas), brother Robert Michael Honeycutt (Mert), and loving nieces and nephews Marta, Preston, Stewart, Hannah and Lukas. In his final moments, his faithful companions Dakota and Dylan brought him great comfort. He was preceded in death by his devoted parents Robert Lee and Carolyn Ruth (Gaines) Honeycutt.

A Celebration of Life is planned for late spring 2020, when friends and family can gather to honor Lee at the Elks Ballroom in Ellensburg. Following the celebration, all are invited on a pilgrimage to the mountains of Washington in his honor. Memorials reflect Lee's varied interests and may be donated to Gallery One Visual Arts Center Endowment Fund, Kittitas County Search and Rescue, and First Lutheran Church of Ellensburg through Brookside Funeral Home at 101 E W 2nd Ave, Ellensburg, WA 98926.

May Lee hold a special place in each person he touched.



Wallace Edgar Huffman (September 22, 1943 – June 10, 2020)

Wally grew up working on the farm near Batavia, Iowa. While his parents were not highly educated, they taught him practical applications of mechanical, electrical, and architectural skills. He began his education in a one-room schoolhouse, and later attended Pekin High School where he excelled academically and starred as shortstop on the baseball team.

Wally's mother encouraged him to attend college. His father gave him enough resources for one quarter at Iowa State (ISU), after which he was expected to pay his own way. He entered a two-year program in farm operations, intending to return to farming. He performed so well that he was given a three-year scholarship and completed his B.S. (with Distinction) in agriculture in 1966. He took enough courses in economics, mathematics, and statistics to qualify for graduate school.

Iowa State Economics Professor and then head of the Agricultural Business program Raymond Beneke encouraged Wally to apply to the Ph.D. program in economics at the University of Chicago. Wally completed his degree under his major professor, former Iowa State Department Chair and later Nobel Laureate T.W. Schultz. Schultz and fellow former ISU faculty member D. Gale Johnson encouraged Wally to devote his attention to rural labor markets, human capital, and technology adoption — topics he investigated in his dissertation and for which he became known nationally and internationally.

After completing his doctorate in 1972, Wally took his first faculty position at Oklahoma State University. After two years, he returned to Iowa State as a faculty member. He was promoted to Associate Professor in 1978, Professor in 1982, and was named Charles F. Curtiss Distinguished Professor of Agriculture in 2002. Over the course of his career, he held visiting positions at Erasmus University-Rotterdam and Wageningen University in the Netherlands, the Swiss Federal Technical Institute (ETH), the Polytechnic University of Catalonia in Spain, the University of Maryland, and Yale University. He also served as a Fulbright specialist at the National University of Cuyo in Mendoza, Argentina.

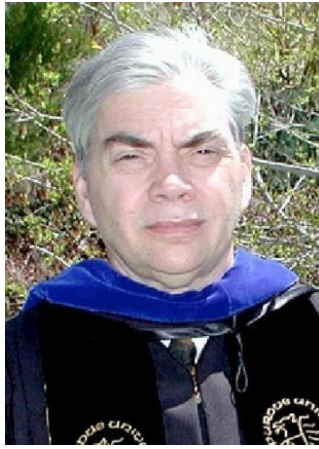
Wally received numerous awards for his research. The American Agricultural Economics Association (AAEA) awarded him four times with the Quality of Research Discovery in 1978, 1987, 1994, and 1995. In 2017, he won the Publication of Enduring Quality Award for his book with Robert Evenson, "Science of Agriculture: A Long-Term Perspective." His published analyses on the economic returns to publicly and privately funded agricultural research and the benefits from cooperative extension are among his most enduring projects. However, his most important work showed how off-farm labor opportunities for farm husbands and wives were critical to the survival of the family farm and how rising wages off-farm affected farm decisions on technology adoption, crop choice, and type and size of operation.

At Iowa State, he supervised 30 doctoral dissertations and 18 Master's theses. Many of these students went on to successful careers in academia, government, and industry, and their successes are a tribute to Wally's teaching and

guidance. One of his advisees wrote that, “Graduate students felt as if they had won a special award when he agreed to direct their thesis research. To have someone with Wally’s scholarly record and academic pedigree take interest in you felt like a big step and turned out to be a career-changing event for many of his students. Wally was always generous with his time, curious about his students’ topics, current on the literature, and an inspiring example of the importance of choosing a research question that matters.”

Wally is survived by his wife, Sonya of Ames; daughter, Nadia of Ames; sister, Connie (Chuck) Peterson of Apple Valley, MN; his mother and father-in-law, Nadia Kostov and Dimiter Kostov of Bulgaria; a brother-in-law, Krasimir Kostov of Bulgaria; nieces, Carissa (Rob) Bartlett, Teresa (James) Shackelford, and Heather (Gary) Demaree; nephews, Paul (Tina) Peterson and Michael (Jessie) Pickett; and many cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents, and a sister, Shirley Pickett.

Respectfully Submitted by Peter F. Orazem



Thomas L. Kent
1947-2019

8/30/1947 - 6/9/2019 Kalamazoo A loving husband, devoted father and grandfather, distinguished scholar, and avid sports enthusiast (both participant and spectator), Thomas L. Kent (Tom) passed away at age 71 on June 9, 2019, after a heroic battle with cancer at Rose Arbor, Hospice Care of Southwest Michigan in Kalamazoo, Michigan. He was devoted to his wife, Charlotte (Charie) Thralls (enjoying 43 years together) as well as his one child, Thomas L. Kent II (wife Mara), and two granddaughters, Grace Alexandra Kent and Celia Jade Kent. The youngest in a large family, Tom was born on August 30, 1947 in Marshall, North Carolina, son of the late Herbert Leo Kent and the late Grace Belle Kent. His siblings, who predecease him include Haley Fore, Ervin Kent, Herbert Leo Kent, Betty Fore, and Brenda Allen. Tom received his B.A. in English from the University of Michigan (1969) and his Ph.D. in English from Purdue University (1980), where he and Charie first met. He went on to enjoy a distinguished professional career, holding tenured professorial and administrative positions at several universities: Miami University (Ohio), 1982-84; Iowa State University, 1984-99; Utah State University, 1999-2004; and Western Michigan University, 2004-2018. In addition to teaching undergraduate and graduate courses, Tom served as Chair of the English Department at Iowa State, as Graduate Dean at Utah State, and Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at Western Michigan University. Tom was also a prolific and influential scholar, with a disciplinary focus in philosophy, writing, and rhetoric. In addition to authoring or editing five books and dozens of articles and presentations, he was a Fulbright Scholar (University of Tampere, Finland, 1989), and he served as editor of two prestigious academic journals. In recognition of his influence, Tom received numerous university as well as national research awards over the course of his career. A generous man with a keen intellect and infectious sense of humor, Tom will live on as a model of wisdom, guidance, and unconditional love for those family members and special friends he leaves behind. The family has entrusted care and cremation arrangements to Betzler Life Story Funeral Home, 6080 Stadium Drive, Kalamazoo, Michigan (269) 375-2900. Additional information about Tom's life and an opportunity to express condolences can be found at www.BetzlerLifeStory.com.

Comments from Colleagues –

‘Tom and I both taught literary theory, and I benefited immensely from his example and advice; his “Paralogic Rhetoric” was and remains crucial to my thinking about the philosophy of language.’ Dr. Lee Poague

‘Tom was our department chair and I was honored to serve as his assistant chair. Even when we disagreed, I never doubted Tom’s brilliance or his dedication to our department.’ Dr. Roberta Vann

‘I distinctly remember him using the word “delighted” ...as in “I am delighted to offer you the position at Iowa State University.” Tom used that word time and again to the point that when I use it, I think of him.’ Dr. Volker Hegelheimer

‘Tom took time to go well beyond the official responsibilities of a chair to engage in behind-the-scenes leadership that had years of benefit.’ Dr. Rebecca Burnett

‘I enjoyed working with Tom for several years when he was editor of JBTC. He was always so much fun to talk to!’ Lori Peterson



Julius "J.O." Kopplin

Julius "J.O." Kopplin, former department chair of **Iowa State University's Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering**, was a much loved son, husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather, whose quiet strength, inquisitive mind, humor, work ethic, and abiding faith made him a role model for a purposeful life of giving. J.O. Kopplin died August 28, 2020, at his home in Highlands Ranch, Colorado. His legacy includes a large and loving family, many examples of service and a rich and satisfying career in academia. His 95-year life as an engineer, educator and family man was remarkable and varied.

The first person in his own family to have an opportunity to pursue a higher education, J.O. earned his bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, and he earned his master's and doctorate degrees from Purdue University. An area of focus was research on superconductivity and surface phenomena involving electric and magnetic properties of materials.

Before his retirement in 1990, J.O. served as department chair of the Electrical and Computer Engineering Department at Iowa State University for 15 years. Prior to that, he was an electrical engineering professor and department head at the University of Texas-El Paso. While a professor at the University of Illinois-Urbana Champaign, he was instrumental in launching the honors program for the Engineering College, becoming a director. Throughout his career as a department administrator, J.O. believed in supporting the people who worked for him and their success, and he worked hard to recruit top researchers. J.O. and his wife welcomed the faculty to their home and enjoyed entertaining and getting to know them.

J.O. was a strong, caring and supportive husband and father while his first wife, Lola, battled cancer. After her death in 1981 after 30 years of marriage, he was able to enjoy another 37 years of marriage with his second wife Betty, and he treated Betty's family like his own. With two long and successful marriages, J.O. knew how to find the right partner for the shared journey. He loved his family, was very proud of every member and took a keen interest in all of their lives.

Although the original appeal of being a college professor was to have summers off, that never happened. Instead, with a growing family, he sought summer employment during the recesses. This resulted in short-term postings at Boston (MIT), Houston (NASA), Seattle (Boeing), Boulder (University of Colorado) and L.A. (Pacific Semiconductors). Cross-country trips by station wagon to new environments thrilled and enriched his impressionable kids, allowing them to see and experience all that this country has to offer and creating a lifetime of memories for each of them. Later on, the family continued this pursuit in a truck-mounted camper and explored capitols, historic sites and beautiful landscapes. In retirement, he and his wife, Betty, also enjoyed many excursions within the United States and Canada, as well as travels to Europe and New Zealand.



J.O. used to tell his children, “If you want something done right, do it yourself.” He applied that mindset to a variety of diverse projects that his whole family enjoyed. Every project started with a detailed plan – whether it was a well-built doghouse, landscaping and irrigation, a basketball goalpost built from oil well piping, or customized vehicles. J.O. loved railroads. He built two working model railroads and collected rolling stock in anticipation of being able to devote time to this hobby in retirement. He spent many happy hours engrossed in designing and constructing a room-sized model railroad complete with switching yard. His children and grandchildren were delighted with his creative layout and intricate attention to detail.

At his earliest opportunity, he enlisted and served in World War II as a B-17 co-pilot. On his 16th mission, his plane was shot down over Germany, and he was held as a POW until the end of the war. Reluctant to discuss his wartime experience for many years, he later did share his story of service with his family members, as well as on Veterans Day at a school in Highlands Ranch. He loved flying his entire life and would take his young children to the airport to observe take-offs and landings. Later in life he was able to recall his time as a pilot-in-training when he enjoyed two flights on a Stearman bi-plane.

A lifelong advocate of education, J.O. encouraged, helped and supported his children and grandchildren to achieve their education goals. He actively recommended books to read, gave books as gifts and served as an example by reading all the books on Civil War history that he could. The financial choices and sacrifices that he and Lola made allowed all of his children to attend college.

J.O. was born February 6, 1925, in Appleton, Wisconsin, to Julius and Renata Kopplin. He is survived by his wife, Betty (Dutmer) Kopplin, children and step-children Bill (Mandy) Kopplin, John Kopplin, Sue Kopplin, Jim (Kim) Kopplin, Tom (Rhonda) Dutmer, John (Nancy) Dutmer, Jim (Kathy) Dutmer, Larry (Debbie) Dutmer, Ann (Marc) Hall, Rick (Maria) Dutmer and Joe (Maria) Dutmer, in addition to 23 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, his first wife Lola (Boldt) Kopplin and his brother David A. Kopplin.

The family wishes to recognize and thank extraordinary caregivers and staff for their devoted and compassionate care of J.O.

A private family service will be held in Ames, Iowa, at a later date. Expressions of sympathy can be made to the charity of your choice.



Judith Noble Lacasa

Judith “Judi” Noble Lacasa, a retired professor of Spanish with Iowa State University’s Department of World Languages and Cultures (then known as the Department of World Languages and Literatures), passed away on June 17, 2020, at the age of 83. Judi was preceded in death by her husband, Jaime who was also a faculty member in the department. Together, they wrote several books on Spanish language learning including *The Hispanic Way*, *The Complete Handbook of Spanish Verbs: A Classic Reference*, and *Spanish: A Basic Course*. Judi and Jaime also collaborated on a grammar reference guide for Quechua, the indigenous language of the Incas in the Andean region.

Judi was widely appreciated as an excellent beginning and intermediate Spanish teacher, and coordinated the lower levels of the Spanish program many times.

Judi was a dedicated professor and retired in 2004 after over 30 years of service to Iowa State with emeritus status.



John McCully

John R. McCully, Jr, age 85, of Ames, passed away on Thursday, June 25, 2020 at the Israel Family Hospice House.

John was born in Louisville, Mississippi on March 14, 1935 to Raymond and Gertrude (Warner) McCully. He received a BA at Mississippi College, a MA at the University of Mississippi in 18th Century British Literature, a PHD at Rice University in Medieval English Literature, and then studied to become a deacon for the Archdiocese of Dubuque.

While teaching at ISU, John started the Medieval Association of the Midwest Conference and founded and edited their first journal. After retiring as an Emeritus professor, John became the Vocational Awareness Director for the Archdiocese of Dubuque. Most of his retirement years were spent as a full-time Catholic deacon at St. Cecilia Church in Ames, where he and his wife, Ruth, started a Hispanic Ministry.

John is survived by his wife, Ruth; children: Joy Burianek (Mark), Suzanne Ignaszak (Robert), John David McCully (Tom Marchesiello); extended family Karen and Terry Burianek; Grandchildren: Christine, Anthony, Paul, and Rachel Burianek; David and Victoria Ignaszak, and Steve (Lisa) and Tim Burianek; and one sister, Jackie McCully Lee Miller.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of the Adams Funeral Home and online condolences may be left for the family at www.adamssoderstrum.com. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be directed to Saint Cecilia-Hispanic Ministry Fund, Catholic Charities of Dubuque, or the American Cancer Society.

Comments from colleagues –

‘He taught me many things. And most of all, what matters to students is the love their teacher has for them. He genuinely loved his students, and they knew it.’ Dr. David Russell

‘John was a joy to have as a colleague, supportive, upbeat, thoughtful.’ Dr. Gloria Betcher

‘As a professional colleague, I respected his work and his dedication to decades of undergraduates at ISU.’ Dr. Dale Ross

‘He was one of the kindest, friendliest, most cheerful people I ever met. When John said even Good Morning to you, you were the total focus of his attention.’ Dr. Donna Kienzler



J. (Joseph) Don Musil, who went by Don, former faculty member of [Iowa State University's Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering \(ECpE\)](#), passed away on April 30, 2020, at the age of 99.

Musil attended Kansas State University in Manhattan, Kansas, graduating in three years with a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering. He also graduated with his master's degree from the University of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, in 1945, and his Ph.D. from Iowa State University in 1968, both degrees in electrical engineering.

From 1941 to 1943, Musil was employed as a design engineer in the industrial motor division of Westinghouse Electric Co. in East Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. From 1944 to 1945, he was an engineer with the Kellex Corp. of the Manhattan District Corps of Engineers at New York City in the Oak Ridge, Tennessee, Atomic Energy Project, also known as the Manhattan Project.

“My father said he never worked harder than he did at this time,” said Joe Musil, son of Joseph Musil. Joe is also a graduate of Iowa State, earning his master's in mechanical engineering.

In 1946 to 1947, Musil was an instructor and research assistant at the University of Pittsburgh, electrical engineering and physics department. From 1947 to 1957, Musil worked for the EM (Electrical Machinery Company in Minneapolis Minnesota), they designed and built very large alternating current and direct current motors and generators. In August of 1957, Musil contacted Warren Boast, who was an assistant professor in electrical engineering at Iowa State. Musil wanted to achieve his doctorate degree and teach at the same time, so he and his family moved to Ames, where he taught electrical engineering and pursued further graduate work at Iowa State.

“During his time at Iowa State, my father taught courses involving large machinery, motors, large networks, and many things that we depend on for our factories,” Joe said. “At the time, the large bay in Coover hall was full of electric motors and generators and the students learned to wire, start and control these generators, and my dad was in control of that lab.”

In 1961, after four years at Iowa State, Musil got a four-year leave of absence from the head of the department, and he and his family moved from Ames to Tanzania, East Africa. Musil took a position at Ilboru Lutheran Secondary School in Arusha to teach sciences, mathematics and physics. He also added an additional two years to the curriculum, making it a six-year school instead of a two-year school. At the end of the student's studies at Ilboru, the students could take the Cambridge Exam, and if students passed, they could travel to England to further their studies. While Musil taught, his wife,

Bernice Edna Carlson, was the school nurse. Musil was also responsible for mechanical maintenance of the school as well.

“It was quite a handful for mom and dad, but it was a great experience,” Joe said. “My siblings and I gained a wide knowledge of other places and cultures from this experience, we visited about 20 some countries on our journey.”

A few years later, Musil took another sabbatical from Iowa State, to teach electrical engineering at the Prairie View Campus at Texas A&M University to teach electrical engineering.

“When we would go on vacations, my dad would arrange visits to power plants because he knew people there that he previously worked with and wanted us to meet them,” Joe said.

In the summertime, Musil also did extension work, where he would travel across the country and teach short courses on new technologies.

Musil would often take his students on field trips to these facilities to teach them about large machines, power plants and other factors related to coursework that he was teaching.

“I always knew Joseph Musil as ‘Don’; I suspect this was his middle name. He was a very compassionate person,” said ECpE Professor Emeritus Art Pohm.

Musil later retired from his position as an Iowa State ECpE associate professor in 1984.

In 1985, Musil and his wife moved to Ely, Iowa, to be near their sons, Joe and Dan, along with their families during their retirement. Both of his sons became engineers, following in their father’s footsteps, Joe became Director of Engineering at Iowa Manufacturing at Cedar Rapids Inc. in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Dan is president and owner of M&W Designs and Manufacture hydraulics solutions. Joe also lives on and farms 240 acres on the side. Musil resided in Ely until his death.



Dr. Forrest Weston Nutter, Jr. 1953 - 2020

The Department of Plant Pathology and Microbiology at Iowa State University announces in deepest sympathy the passing of Professor Forrest Nutter on September 12, 2020 at the age of 67. Dr. Nutter was our well-liked colleague from 1990 until his retirement in 2018. He joined our department as an associate professor after having served as assistant professor at the University of Georgia from 1984 to 1990. Dr. Nutter earned his B.S. from the University of Maryland, his M.S. from the University of New Hampshire followed by his PhD from North Dakota State University. He was a world-renowned plant disease epidemiologist with a very large body of literature and a long and successful career as teacher and graduate advisor to his credit. Throughout his career, Dr. Nutter was a sought-after invited speaker at scientific congresses and was honored with many awards and recognitions including the prestigious American Phytopathological Society Excellence in Teaching Award. He also was recognized for his innovations in the development of educational training software. Forrest's teaching and research interests were in quantitative epidemiology and plant disease management using a system approach to optimize and integrate pest management tactics. His work also utilized global positioning systems (GPS), geographic information systems (GIS) and remote sensing technologies to better understand, quantify, and forecast the occurrence of plant disease epidemics and their impacts on crop yield. Dr. Nutter taught epidemiology to scores of students and has been a major figure in the field of epidemiology – a legacy that will live on in the many students and scientists that he trained.

Dr. Nutter was born in Plymouth Massachusetts and grew up in Hyattsville, MD. He was the eldest of eight siblings. He married his wife Suzanna in 1972, and they became the proud parents of three children and grandparents to thirteen beloved grandchildren. Dr. Nutter and his wife recently had retired in North Carolina. Forrest will be greatly missed by his beautiful family as well as by his colleagues and friends at Iowa State University.

Rolf Heinz-Wilhelm Then (1937 – 2019)



Rolf Heinz-Wilhelm Then passed away on October 16, 2019, in Sarasota, Florida, at age 82. He lived formerly in Lafayette, Indiana. He is survived by wife, Norma, of Sarasota, Florida; daughter, Tanya (Jonathan) Hart of Sarasota, Florida; son, Terrell Then of Oviedo, Florida; two grandsons, Tanner Then and Parker Then of Oviedo, Florida; and sister, Angelika (Hans Werner) Stiewa of Germany.

Dr. Then was a member of the faculty in the Department of Political Science, and its' predecessor Department of History, Government, and Philosophy, from 1964 to 1971, when he left for Purdue University. His service at Iowa State including the role of Director for the Office of International Affairs.

His publications include the book *Lenin: Genesis and Development of a Revolutionary* (1973). This study shows how Lenin's (Vladimir Ilych Ulyanov's) life was permanently altered at the age of seventeen by the execution of his brother Alexander, his transformation from a model student in secondary school into a revolutionary at the university, his fascination with the Russian utopian socialist Nikolai Chernyshevsky, and his long involvement with the Jacobin wing of the revolutionary movement. He also was co-author with Frank L. Wilson of *Comparative Politics: An Introduction to Seven Countries* (4th Edition, 2000). In 1976, while a faculty member at Purdue University, he received a grant from the Kennan Institute on The Jacobian Orientation in Russian Social Thought: From the Decembrists to Lenin.