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## From the Blotter

**Radley Reddy**, 43, of Hoopeston, was ticketed after a traffic stop at 1:23 a.m. Saturday at West Penn and South Market. Cited for operating motor vehicle when registration is suspended for no insurance, he was released on a notice to appear in Vermilion County Traffic Court. His vehicle was towed from the scene.

**Christopher Stables**, 40, of Hoopeston, was arrested after police were called at 4:18 p.m. Saturday for a domestic disturbance in the 700 block of South Fourth St.

Stables was arrested on preliminary charges of domestic battery and threatening a public official. He was processed at the police station, and later taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville to await arraignment.

**Christopher Smith**, 48, of Hoopeston, was arrested at 12:27 a.m. Sunday in the 400 block of South Second Ave. Wanted on a Vermilion County warrant, he was also charged with possession of methamphetamine less than 5 grams.

Smith was processed at the police station, then taken to the PSB to await arraignment

**Taurus Rowe**, 25, of Chicago, was ticketed for operating an uninsured vehicle after a traffic stop at 12:16 a.m. Monday in the 300 block of South Dixie Hwy. He was released on a notice to appear in Ver-

milion County Traffic Court.

**Rocky Stevens**, 43, of Rossville, was ticketed after a traffic stop at 1:02 a.m. Monday at West Orange and South Second Ave. He was cited for driving while license suspended and no front bumper and was released on notices to appear in Vermilion County Court.

A Hoopeston man was arrested in connection with a theft from a porch reported by a 43-year-old Hoopeston man at 11:30 a.m. November 17, .2024.

After an investigation, Kevin Lambert, 38, was arrested at 10:20 a.m. Monday, charged with the theft. He was released on a notice to appear in Hoopeston City Court.

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**BUTZOW** - Ralph Lewis Butzow, 89, of Wellington, passed away Thursday, January 30, 2025, at his home. He was born on 17 July 1935, at the same home in rural Wellington, the son of Lewis and Anna (McCray) Butzow. He married Yvonne Regnier August 7, 1966, at the Watseka United Methodist Church. She preceded him in death.



**RAPLPH BUTZOW**

He is survived by two daughters, Roxanne (Michael) Siemers of Milford, and Rebecca (Tim) Head of Chicago; one brother, Norman (Lois) Butzow of Milford; two sisters-in-law, JoAnn Butzow of Wellington, and Sallee Butzow of Divernon; four grandchildren, Kayla (Kyle) Ronchetto, Malcolm Head, Milton Head, and Caleb Siemers; one great-grandson, Joseph Lewis Ronchetto; and four nieces and nephews, Doug (Linda) Butzow, Andrea (Denny) Glotzbach, Heidi (Kevin) Kuell, and Sonya

**Briefly**

**At the library**

Upcoming activities at Hoopeston Public Library include:

**Coffee, Craft & Conversation** 10 a.m.-noon Wednesdays. Crochet, knit, sew and other needlecraft, along with those who do other portable handcrafts are invited to bring their projects and enjoy a morning of fun and conversation!

*(Next week, CC&C will be held Thursday, Feb. 13 instead of Wednesday, when the library will be closed for Lincoln's birthday.)*

**Builders Club** 3:30 p.m. Thursday in the children's room.

**Hero Kids and Board Games**, 3:30 p.m. Thursday, upstairs in the youth room.

**Winter Reading Challenge** winds up February 28 but there's still time to complete at least 5 of the challenges to receive our cute new buffalo plaid book tote!

(John) Kowalski.

In addition to his wife, Yvonne, Ralph was preceded in death by his parents, Lewis and Anna Butzow; infant daughter, Rachael Butzow; and two brothers, Ross Butzow and Stanley Butzow.

Ralph, a lifelong farmer, lived all of his life in Iroquois County. After attending college for a year, he decided to return to the farm where he worked until he retired. Ralph also ran a corn shelling business for decades. Married to his wife Yvonne for 26 years, Ralph embraced his roles of husband and father. In addition to being dedicated to his family, Ralph was earnest in his Christian faith and served in various roles throughout his life at the United Brethren Church in Claytonville, including teaching adult Sunday School and Wednesday night Bible studies for many years.

Both in his Bible teaching and love of writing, Ralph enjoyed working with words. While during the season of working and raising a family, Ralph wrote little, but when he turned 80, Ralph began an almost decade-long love of writing poetry. Ralph became an active member of the Milford Poetry Club attending monthly meetings at the Milford library and self-published two books of poetry.

Visitation will be held 4 – 7 p.m. Thursday, February 6, 2025, at Anderson Funeral Home, 427 E. Main St., Hoopeston. The funeral service will be held at 10:30 a.m. Friday, February 7, 2025, at the Claytonville United Brethren Church (stairs required for entry to church) 106 E. Elizabeth, Claytonville, with Pastor Kyle Ronchetto officiating. Burial will follow in Amity Cemetery with a luncheon after.

Memorial donations may be made in memory of Ralph to the Ford-Iroquois Gideons chapter or United Brethren Missions (Huntington, IN).

Please visit [www.anderson-funeral-home.com](http://www.anderson-funeral-home.com) to view Ralph's eternal tribute page and to send the family condolences.

Anderson Funeral Home in Hoopeston is handling the arrangements.

**FINNEY** - David Gary Finney, 87, of Cissna Park, died

**Weather**

Cloudy, then rain/freezing rain likely today, tonight. High 35, low 33. Tomorrow, decreasing clouds. High 44, low 23.

For real time Hoopeston weather, visit [justthefacts.net/weather/](http://justthefacts.net/weather/).

Thursday January 30. 3035, at Carle Foundation Hospital, Urbana. He will be cremated. Baier Funeral Home, Watseka, is handling arrangements. Condolences may be shared at [baierfuneralhome.com](http://baierfuneralhome.com).

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