NEWS MAKERS

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Within this "Newsmakers" column we share important news and accomplishments of our members, including state association activities, birth and marriage announcements, and news of Angus members' passing.

In Passing



Gordon D. Shive, 77, Seven Valleys, Pa., died June 22.

He was married to Dianna (Kaltreider) Shive for 54 years.

Gordon was born on Aug. 3, 1942, in Codorus Township and was a son of the late Daniel and Gertie Shive.

He graduated from Susquehannock High School in the class of 1960 and was a financial advisor with Lutheran Brotherhood Financial Services, having offices in the Jefferson and the Spring Grove areas for many years. He and his wife owned and operated Buffalo Valley Angus Farm in Seven Valleys.

Active in the York County 4-H program, he was a former leader and served on and was president of the endowment board. He also loved showing Angus cattle at local, state and national events.

He was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church and was a past member and president of the Pennsylvania Angus Association, advisor to the Pennsylvania Junior Angus Association and member of the American Angus Association. Gordon also served on the board of directors of the former Glen Rock State Bank for many years.

Gordon is survived by his wife,

Dianna; daughters, Christine "Chris" (Mark), Cathy (Douglas), and Robin (Kevin); and five grandchildren.



Tommy Ray Hill, 88, Paragould, Ark., died July 7. Tommy was born in Paragould on Nov. 14, 1931.

He graduated from Paragould High School and continued on to receive an agricultural education degree from the University of Arkansas. He served in the army while spending the majority of his time in Fort Hood, Texas.

Tommy was married to Harrie Leigh Jennings on June 28, 1969. They were married for 51 years and resided in Paragould, Ark.

He taught high school agricultural education at Joiner, Marmaduke and Greene County Tech for 28 years. Tommy enjoyed teaching and promoting FFA to the youth of Greene, Craighead and surrounding counties. He was also actively involved in Marmaduke United Methodist Church, the Greene County Fair, the Northeast Arkansas Fair, Buffalo Island Livestock Show, NEA Angus Association and the American Angus Association.

Tommy is survived by numerous nieces and nephews and their families; extended family members Jason and Angela Martin, and David and Sherry Hensley and family.



William (Bill) Bruce Byars, 83, Mexico, Mo., died July 12. He was born July 13, 1936, in

Mexico, Mo., to

Bruce Andrew and Eileen Byars.

Bill graduated from Saint Brendan Catholic School in Mexico in 1954 and served in the United States Army from 1958-1961. He met his wife, Nancy Bell, and they were united in marriage on Sep. 22, 1962, in Mexico, Mo.

Bill worked for IBM in Kansas City as a custom engineer. In 1972, they moved to their current residence on a farm near Fortuna, Mo. Bill went to work for the Missouri Department of Administration as a computer operator, and they lived out their dream of living on a cattle farm. After 25 years, Bill retired and started his next adventure of Jonny Popper Kettle Korn. Jonny Popper went to many events and festivals and also was a mainstay at Mizzou Football games for 10 years.

Bill was active in Bethel Mennonite Church and Fortuna Baptist Church. He was an active member of the American Angus Association and traveled to many cattle operations around the country. He received a lifetime membership to the American Angus Association and was recognized as operating a registered herd for 50 continuous years.

Bill is survived by his wife, Nancy; daughter, Sheryl (Andrew); son Chris (Pam); six grandchildren; and five great-granchildren.



Samuel H. Carter III, 66, Julesburg, Colo., died July 26. Sam was born on June 4, 1954, in Asheville, N.C.,

to Samuel and Sarah (Brown) Carter. Sam grew up in Van Buren, Ind., with his parents and younger sister, Marcia.

A devoted son and wonderful brother, he traveled the world, managed a political campaign, danced with a royal princess, and ultimately, became one of the

premier Angus bull breeders in the industry.

Sam was a 1972 graduate of Eastbrook High School in Marion, Ind. In the summer of 1972, Sam was an FFA exchange student to Scotland. When Sam returned from Scotland, he attended Abraham Baldwin College in Tipton, Ga., and was a 1977 graduate of the University of Georgia in agricultural economics where he was heavily involved in student government.

Sam spent his entire life working in agriculture in various capacities, including international trading before pursuing his passion of raising Angus cattle. In 1998 Sam purchased four Angus heifers as the start of Carter Family Angus, and never looked back.

In 2007 he moved the entire herd to Julesburg, Colo., until he finally settled on his dream ranch, Lightning

Valley, in Arthur, Neb., in 2012. He went on to raise registered Angus bulls that would make a positive impact on the breed and built a foundation of Angus females second to none.

He was an active member of the American Angus Association and supporter of the National Junior Angus Association (NJAA). He truly loved encouraging and educating young cattlemen and women, and enjoyed his time as an advisor for multiple junior associations. Sam was also a strong supporter of the FFA, and enjoyed giving back as a former Indiana FFA officer himself.

Sam is survived by daughters Lindsey (Jon) and Ashlyn (Andy), and one grandson.



Diamond T Land & Cattle Co. LLC, Bidwell, Ohio, won premier breeder. Pictured (from left) are Jon Davis, Melissa Davis, Mat Toler, Logan Davis, Rees Toler, Maggie Davis, Crew Craft, Makayla Nedrow, Erica Snook, Kelly Ager, Jordon Craft and Nick Craft.



Logan Davis, Bidwell, Ohio, won premier exhibitor. Pictured (from left) are Jon Davis, Logan Davis, Melissa Davis and Maggie Davis.