

# Jury urges execution for cult leader who ordered 5 deaths

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**PAINESVILLE, Ohio** — Jurors who sat through a rambling sermon by Jeffrey Lundgren dismissed his claims of divine authority yesterday and recommended he be put to death as a murderer. The jury deliberated slightly

more than two hours, including time for lunch, before recommending that Lundgren be executed for the deaths of the Dennis Avery family. Lundgren, who for five hours Wednesday sought to convince the jury that he is the world's last prophet, showed no emotion. The jury's recommendation of death

was read five times by Judge Martin O. Parks, once for each member of the Avery family, whose bodies, bound with duct tape, were found buried inside a barn in Kirtland, Ohio. Parks said he would formally sentence Lundgren today. Neither Lundgren nor his attorneys had any comment.

Lundgren, his wife and son were among 13 cult members arrested early this year after the Averys' bodies were found. The Averys also were members of the cult. Lundgren's 19-year-old son, Damon, was convicted Tuesday of four counts of aggravated murder and four counts of kidnapping, and could be sentenced to death. His

sentencing hearing is Monday. Jeffrey Lundgren's wife, Alice, 39, was sentenced to five life prison terms after being convicted of conspiracy, complicity and kidnapping. Associated Press contributed to this report. Scripps Howard News Service

## FUNERAL NOTES

**MOORE HOWARD** 832-7832 433-6425

**Olinger** 455-3663

**Crown Hill** 455-3663

**BENOIT** — Emma Laura Pavoni Benoit, Arvada. Mother of Betty L. Pierce, Empire, CO; Harold T. Benoit, Topeka, KS; grandmother of Herbert Pierce, III, Arvada; great-grandmother of two. Memorial Rosary and Mass of Christian Burial, SHRINE OF ST. ANNE CATHOLIC CHURCH, W. 58th Ave. & Webster St., Arvada, Saturday 10 a.m. Memorials may be made to Shrine of St. Anne. Arrangements by Olinger, 29th at Wadsworth.

**BUTLER** — Frances E. Butler, Lakewood. Mother of David F. and his wife, Valerie, Marjorie Butler, Santa Fe. Grandmother of Greg, Angela, Mitchell, Jollene; preceded in death by her husband, Lansford Butler. Services, CHAPEL, CROWN HILL MORTUARY, Monday 3 p.m. Entombment, Crown Hill Garden Mausoleum. Memorials to the American Cancer Society, 2255 S. Oneida, Denver, 80224. Arrangements by Crown Hill Mortuary, 7777 W. 29th Ave.

**CHAVEZ** — Cindy Lucinda Chavez, Denver. Adoring mother of Karl Sanchez, Becky Sanchez; loving sister of Charlie Chavez, Johnny Chavez, Adaline Guerro, Becky Jackson, Sally Chavez, Liz McDonald. Rosary, HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH, Sunday 7 p.m. Mass of the Christian Burial, HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH, 4377 Utica St., Monday 10 a.m. Interment, Mount Olivet Cemetery. Arrangements, Moore-Howard Mortuary, 7777 W. 29th Ave.

**GONZALES** — Carmel Gonzales, Denver. Mass of Christian Burial, HIGHLAND CHAPEL, Friday 1 p.m. Interment, Highland Memorial Gardens. Arrangements by Olinger's Highland Mortuary, 104th & Valley Highway.

**HINSHAW** — Reo S. Hinshaw, Denver. Wife of the late Claude K. Hinshaw; loving mother of Thomas Hinshaw, Karen Spence, Charles Hinshaw; grandmother of Michael, Keith, Christina, Larissa, Julia and Charles. Services, 10 a.m. Saturday, MOORE MEMORIAL CHAPEL, MOORE-HOWARD MORTUARY, Rev. Richard Rochford officiating, followed by Harmony Court, #4, Order of the Amaranth, Royal Matron, Ann Walls. Visitation, Friday 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Interment, Hampden Memorial Gardens. Family suggests contributions be made to the Diabetes Association, c/o Secretary of the Grand Court, 4661 E. Weaver Pl., Littleton, CO 80121 or the Colorado Heart Association, 1280 S. Parker Road, Denver, CO 80231. Arrangements by Moore-Howard Mortuary, E. 17th Ave. at Clarkson. 832-7832.

**JOHNSON** — Cecelia Annora Johnson, Denver. Mother of Colleen Cordell, Northglenn; Sherrie Mizek, Denver; Jerry Johnson, Denver; Debbie Johnson-Sasso, Littleton; also survived by 7 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren; brothers: Ed Reardon, Blue Springs, MO; and Dick Reardon, Wheat Ridge.

**MADRID** — Ruth G. Madrid, Denver. Wife of Paul Madrid; mother of Richard Madrid, Aurora; Barbara Flint, Lakewood; Marlene Gurule, Denver; Donna Thomas, Lakewood; and Jody Madrid, Lakewood; also survived by 11 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren, 3 sisters and 2 brothers. Rosary Service, Chapel, OLINGER, 29TH AT WADSWORTH, Thursday 7 p.m. Mass of Christian Burial, ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC CHURCH, 3801 W. Ohio Ave., Friday 11 a.m. Interment, Fort Logan National Cemetery. Arrangements by Olinger, 29th at Wadsworth.

**MUIR** — Frieda E. Muir, Parker. Wife of Bennett W. Muir, M.D.; mother of Elizabeth M. Williams, Roswell, GA; Arthur B. Muir, Chicago, ILL.; Bonnie B. Bair, Carlsbad, NM; Peter B. Muir, Palm Springs, CA. Memorial Services, Saturday 4 p.m., WASHINGTON PARK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 1955 E. Arizona Ave. Services conclude. Arrangements by Moore-Howard Mortuary, 800 E. 17th Ave., Denver, CO. 832-7832.

**PALLOTTO** —

**POST** — Arthur C. Post, Lakewood. Survived by Larry and Frances Reichers; numerous nieces; nephews; other loving family and friends. Route driver for City Elite Laundry for 42 years. World War II Veteran and POW. Purple Heart and Medal of Honor recipient. Services, TOWER OF MEMORIES CHAPEL, Saturday 10 a.m. Entombment will follow the services. Visitation, 12 p.m. to 8 p.m., Olinger 29th at Wadsworth. Arrangements by Olinger, 29th at Wadsworth.

**SANFORD** — Frances M. Sanford, Lakewood. Services, CHAPEL, CROWN HILL MORTUARY, Friday 3 p.m. Interment, Crown Hill Cemetery. Arrangements by Crown Hill Mortuary, 7777 W. 29th Ave.

**STEPHENS** — Patricia "Patty" Stephens, Englewood. Daughter of Edward C. Roach, Jr., Denver; step-sister of Diane Castellano, Denver. At the family request there will be no services. Friends may call upon the home of Mr. Edward C. Roach, Jr. Arrangements by Olinger's Englewood Chapel, 2775 So. Broadway.

**STROM** — Kenneth Strom, Aurora. Husband of Eileen Strom; father of Samantha Strom; step-father of Rachel and Tracy Bedard; son of John and Lucille Strom. Services, CHAPEL, OLINGER, COLFAX

**PRE-ARRANGEMENT PLANS**  
**CALDWELL-KIRK MORTUARY**  
2101 Marion St. 861-4644

**ALEXANDER** — Anita Alexander, Hill City, KS. Mother of Louise Scott, Leslie Alexander, Ross Alexander, all of Denver, James Alexander, Kansas City, KS, Carol Alexander, Omaha, NE, Michael Alexander, Kenewick, WA; sister of Adele Alexander, Denver; also survived by 10 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; many nephews and nieces. Services, Saturday 11 a.m., FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, Nicodemus, KS.

**BAGBY** — Roberta L. Bagby, Denver. Wife of the late Isom Bagby; mother of James D. Wise, Denver; sister of Rev. A.G. Kendrick, Los Angeles, CA, Charles Kendrick, Kansas City, Kansas, Clemmie (Hershel) Sanders both of Lubbock, TX, Gladys Newton, Tucson, AZ, Luma (LA) Kendrick, Paul Kendrick, Fannie Wilborn, Helen (Amos) Bishop, Othella Walker, Cleo (Burton) Sayles, all of Denver; host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. Services, Saturday 10:00 A.M., MACEDONIA BAPTIST CHURCH, 3240 Adams St. to Highland Cemetery. Visitation, Friday 4-9 P.M., Kirk Chapel. Mrs. Bagby will lie in state, Saturday 9-10 A.M., at the church only. Family at 12305 East 54th Avenue in Montbello.

**ALLEN** — Ruth M. Allen, Denver. Wife of Sherman Allen, Jr., Denver; mother of Renee' (Anthony) Cooper, both of Denver; sister of Alice Triplett, Marie Lee, Dorothy Prowell, all of Denver; grandmother of Tashonna L., Shawn C., Jilleasha M. Cooper, all of Denver; aunt of Henry Smith, Earl Tabor, Patricia Tabor, Denvce Diggins, all of Denver; devoted friend of Mary Edmonson, Lottie McDade, both of Denver. Services, Friday 11 a.m., KIRK CHAPEL to Ft. Logan National Cemetery. Visitation, Thursday 4 - 9 p.m., Kirk Chapel. Family at 2817 Stout & 5131 Chandler Way, Montbello.

**DAVIS** — Verolee Lee Davis, Denver. Arrangements later. Family at 2456 Race Street.

**SLEEPER** — Ben Sleeper, Denver. Arrangements later.

**SOLOMON** — Larissa Solomon, Denver. Sister of Ollie D. Barefield, Denver, Johnnie E. Gillespie, Teague, TX, Fessie Stratford, Dallas, TX, Lloyd E. Solomon, Fort Worth, TX; sister-in-law of Rev. H.B. Barefield, Denver; aunt of John A. Barefield, Denver; host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. Services, Saturday 12 noon, KIRK CHAPEL to Fairmount Cemetery. Visitation, Friday 4-9 p.m., Kirk Chapel. Family at 2979 Monaco Parkway.

**IN MEMORIAM**  
To our beloved wife & mother **MARY A. LOVATO** on the fifth anniversary of her death.  
We love and miss you. You are never out of our thoughts and prayers. Love, your husband and all your family

**Archdiocese of Denver Mortuary**  
at Mount Olivet Cemetery  
12801 W. 44th Avenue  
**(303) 425-9511**

**FRANK** — Blanche M. Frank, Denver. Mass of Christian Burial, Friday 10:30 a.m., ST. ROSE OF LIMA CHURCH. Interment, Crown Hill Cemetery. Family suggests contributions to St. Rose of Lima Church in Blanche's name.

**MOHR** — John Mohr, Jr., Denver. Husband of Josephine Mohr; father of Gary D. Mohr, Houston, TX, Richard L. Mohr, Denver, Joni Pulliam, Arvada; brother of Melvin Mohr, Simi Valley, CA, Elvira Benefiel, Commerce City, Mary Jane Aguirre and Natalie McAvin, both of Denver; also survived by four grandchildren. Scripture Service, Friday 1 p.m., ARCHDIOCESE OF DENVER MORTUARY, Entombment, Garden Mausoleum, Mt. Olivet Cemetery. Family suggests contributions to Denver Brain Tumor Research Group, University of Colorado Health Science Center, Division of Neurosurgery, 4200 E. 9th Ave., #C-307; Denver, CO 80262.

**SNELL** — Edith S. Snell, Westminster. Wife of Willy Snell; mother of Eric L. Snell and Jackie Zinge, both of Westminster; sister of Alfred Van Der Hoeven and family, Aurora. Mass of Christian Burial, Friday 1 p.m., CATHEDRAL of the IMMACULATE CONCEPTION,

## TODAY'S NOTICES

- Alexander, Anita
- Allen, Ruth
- Ammerman, Charles
- Bagby, Roberta
- Benoit, Emma
- Brintnall, Harold
- Butler, Frances
- Chavez, Cindy
- Davis, Vergie
- Donavan, Ruth
- Dymond, Stanley
- Einertson, Orlo (Chuck)
- Fernandez, Frank
- Frank, Blanche
- Gallegos, Augustine
- Gaudio, Louis
- German, Claire
- Gette, Jake
- Glenn, Menthus
- Gonzales, Carmen
- Hessenius, Del
- Hinshaw, Reo
- Jauregui, Maria
- Johnson, Cecelia
- Johnson, Milton
- Lorie, Toni Glick
- Madrid, Ruth
- Marquez, Filomena
- Minor, Joseph
- Mohr, John
- Muir, Frieda
- Murphy, Michael
- Pallotto, James
- Piggee, Ida Mae
- Post, Arthur
- Roberts, Lula