## **KEY to the SFNA Obituary Index Fields / Abbreviations**

All information pertinent to design of the Obituary Index was extracted from the decedent's obituary exactly as published. However, many of the entries have been supplemented with data from other reliable sources--especially the three-volume Studebaker Family in America published by the Studebaker Family National Association, 1976, 1986, 1996--in an effort to provide the pertinent ancestral LINE, the AGE and LOCALITY for every decedent included in the Index. All supplemental data is enclosed in square brackets, i.e., [ ]. Note, too, that the deceased may be the descendant of a Studebaker immigrant ancestor or he/she may have been related to the descendant by marriage, etc.

**LINE** - Direct descendants of the Studebaker immigrants of 1736: **P** = Peter line; **C** = Clement line; **H** = Heinrich line; **A** = Studebaker-Long branch; **U** = relationship unknown or uncertain; **X** = not related.

**DECEASED** - Full name of the decedent as given in the obituary in the customary order, i.e., first name, middle name(s) or initial(s), surname. May also include a "nickname", a woman's (maiden) surname, and/or other married names of women.

**AGE** - Decedent's age at death extracted from the obituary. If not included in the obituary, age has been calculated from given birth and death dates. If one or both dates are not provided in the obituary, other reliable sources have been consulted to determine age at death.

**LOCALITY (LOC)** - Locality refers to the primary residence(s) of the deceased extracted from the obituary or obtained from other reliable sources. Use of two-letter state abbreviations if U.S.; only country if outside the U.S, e.g., CAN = Canada, GER = Germany.

**SPOUSE** - Given name(s) only of the decedent's husband or wife extracted from the obituary. May be supplemented with data from other reliable sources.

**PARENTS** - Given name(s) only of either or both parents of the deceased extracted from the obituary. May be supplemented with data from other reliable sources.

**OTHER SURNAMES** - Surnames (only) of ALL individuals mentioned in the obituary, other than the deceased.

**YEAR (YR)** - Pertinent year of publication of The Studebaker Family newsletter containing the obituary. Usually equates to the year of death.

**QUARTER (QTR)** - Specific issue (Winter, Spring, Summer, Fall) containing the obituary.

**PAGE (PG)** - Exact page number(s) containing the obituary. The letter "p" following the page number indicates a photograph of the deceased accompanies the obituary. An asterisk (\*) indicates the existence of more information about the deceased and/or his/her family in selected SFNA resources. Please contact the SFNA office to inquire about these "See Also" references.

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