

# VIRTUAL STEMPFLE STAR LIGHTING CEREMONY

## *Star Aglow Again In West*

The "Stempfle Star" once again is making its warm, holiday glow from St. Joe, west of Elmira.

Charles E. Stempfle put up the popular Christmas-time star Thanksgiving afternoon. He plans to keep it up until Jan. 1.

The 25-foot ballistic illumination will be shining from 4 p. m. to 2:30 a. m. each day along its 40-foot pole.

The star weighs 50 pounds and is on a track which makes it revolve in a 20-degree turn. Stempfle said it takes about five minutes to cycle.

Stempfle first erected the star some 25 years ago. It was a 15-footer until 1930 when he put up the 25-foot star.

It draws numerous visitors each season and Stempfle is the recipient of many calls and cards concerning the star.



**WEDNESDAY  
11-25-20  
7:00pm  
on  
Facebook  
LIVE**

**HIDDEN LANDMARKS  
OF ELMIRA, CORNING, & THE FINGER LAKES**