



Duane R. Adams

Duane R. Adams, the son of William Perry Adams and Hattie Agnes (McMurtry) Adams, was born October 10, 1929 at Craig, NE and died on April 10, 2015 at the Republic County Hospital, Belleville at the age of 85 years, an six months.

He grew up in Belleville KS, attending the local schools and graduating from Belleville High School in 1947. He worked in the Ideal Grocery Store in Superior, and later the IGA Store in Belleville. He worked for many years at Foodmart in Belleville in the grocery department until his retirement.

On April 26, 1953, he was united in marriage to Norma Jean Hiebert and to this union was born: David. They were married nearly 62 years and made their home in Belleville.

He was a member of the Belleville Masonic Lodge # 129 AF & AM. He also was a member of the Promise Keepers and attended the Central Christian Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

He is survived by his wife, Norma Jean Adams of Belleville, and one son, David Adams of Belleville.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, April 18, at the Central Christian Church, Belleville, with Pastor Mark Imel, officiating.

Interment at Ida Cemetery, rural Munden, KS.

Visitation from 1 p.m. until 9 p.m. on Thursday and from 9 a.m. until 9 p.m. on Friday at the Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville KS.

Memorials to family choice.

Online condolences to www.bachelor-surber.com. Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, KS is in charge of the arrangements.

Eric Lee Aspegren

Eric Lee Aspegren, 65, of Natoma, Kansas, died on Wednesday, January 7, 2015, at his home in Natoma.

Eric was born on August 28, 1949, in Mankato, Kansas, the son of Arthur D. and Margaret A. (Lee) Aspegren. He grew up in the Burr Oak, Kansas, area and graduated from Burr Oak High School. After high school he attended Ft. Hays State University and achieved his Bachelor's degree in business.

While in college he was married to Nancy Walters in 1971; and from this union Eric and Nancy were blessed with a daughter, Heather. After 16 years of marriage Eric and Nancy were divorced.

Eric worked in construction for many years. His favorite hobby was fishing. He was also an antique collector with a good eye for hidden treasures he could buy and sell.

Surviving family include his daughter, Heather Aspegren of New York City, New York; and ex-wife, Nancy Aspegren of Russell and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents

Betty Eileen Allen

Betty Eileen Hess was born February 7, 1928, to John and Agnes (Rieke) Hess in Greenwood, Nebraska. Shortly thereafter they moved to Narka, Kansas, and while living there her mother became ill and passed on at an early age. While in her teens, Betty moved to a little farm on the edge of Belleville. This would be where she graduated from high school in 1946.

Betty worked at Arbuthnot Drug store and this is where she met Garold Allen. They were married on October 8, 1950, and made their home on a farm just north of Courtland, Kansas.

In 1966 they welcomed their son Michael into their home and a year later they welcomed their daughter, Michele.

Betty enjoyed a variety of things over the years from being a great homemaker and cook, selling Avon products to working at the Courtland Vet Clinic.

In 1991 she and Garold retired from the farm and moved into Courtland. She had many hobbies like playing cards with friends and neighbors, bingo, and going to the casinos (sometimes twice a week.)

Betty passed from this life to be with Garold in the early morning hours on her birthday Saturday, February 7, 2015, surrounded by family and loved ones at the Republic County Hospital, Belleville, Kansas.

Betty will be forever remembered by her son Michael; daughter Michele (Bradley) Hudson; grandchildren Sharla (Brandon) Philbrook, Crystal (Earl) Dunstan, and Craig Henderson; great-grandchildren Kamilee and Leilani Kapua, Leiana Philbrook, Aubrey and Paisley Dunstan, and Kash Henderson; sisters, Gladys Moline, Ardith Stone, Blanche McCall, and brother Fred (Audrey) Elyea.

She was preceded in death by her parents; in-laws; husband Garold in 2012; great-grandson Cayden Dunstan; sister Laura, and brother Stanley; also aunts, uncles, cousins and many friends.

Betty's bright smile and hospitality will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her. Memorial services will be 2:00 PM Friday, February 13, 2015 at the United Methodist Church, Courtland, Kansas, with Pastor Kathy Aeillo officiating. Inurnment will follow the service at Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, rural Courtland. Memorials in Betty's honor may be made to the Courtland Methodist Church.

Betty chose direct cremation, there will be no visitation. Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, Kansas, assisted the Allen family with these arrangements.

Patricia A. Anderson

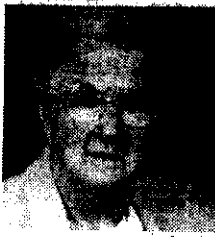
Patricia A. Anderson, 69, died July 17, 2015.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Chester "Dean" Anderson; parents Gene and Eulah "Skip" Horak and Harold Nixon.

She is survived by children: Maylene (Jerry) Naujokas, George (Kathie) Jung, Debra (Bud) Brungardt, Michelle Hansha, Monte (Brenda) Jung, Tifanie Furrey, Jaime Anderson; 16 grandchildren and many great-grandchildren; brothers and sisters Steve Nixon, Barbara (Bill) Smith, Jackie (Lee) Graham and Donna (Mick) Valek; honorary sister Kathy (Rod "Lt. Dan") Rohwer.

Funeral services held July 24 at Bethany Funeral Home, 8201 Harrison ST, LaVista NE.

Caroline "Carrie" Anderson



Caroline Margaret Anderson, daughter of August and Annie (Viau) Polcen, was born on March 17, 1924, in Escanaba, Michigan. She passed away on February 8, 2015, at the home of her daughter in Hemet, California, at the age of 90 years, 10 months, 22 days.

Carrie was born and raised in Escanaba, and moved to Appleton, Wisconsin, in 1927 where she was educated thru the eighth grade at St. Theresa's Catholic School in Appleton, Wisconsin.

She was married on August 10, 1944 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin, to Lester Edwin Anderson; this union was blessed with four children. While living in Wisconsin during World War II, Carrie worked in a shipyard as a welder.

In 1957 they moved to California, where she worked in a dry cleaning business and a saw sharpening shop. After retiring they moved to Republic, Kansas, they owned/operated the Republic Grocery store and Republic Café until her husband's death.

Carrie was a member of a Bunco Club in California, Art guild in Courtland, Kansas, and was a volunteer for Hospice in Republic County. She enjoyed painting, crocheting, gardening and ceramics in which she had her own kiln.

Carrie moved to Hemet, California, to be by her daughter, Linda.

She is preceded in death by her parents; husband Lester on January 17, 1994; five sisters Nellie, Esther, Hazel, Mae and Florence and one brother Charles Polcen.

She is survived by her children Karen Parker and husband, Bently, of Republic, Kansas, Ronald Anderson and wife Sharon of Anaheim, California, Barbara Dwyer of Oxnard, California, and Linda Klos of Hemet, California; nine grandchildren; nineteen great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; nieces, nephews, other relatives and a host of friends.

Funeral services were held on Thursday, January 26, 2015, from the Republic United Methodist Church in Republic, Kansas with Pastor Roger Walls officiating.

Recorded music "How Great Thou Art," "Ave Maria," and "Go Rest High On That Mountain" and recessional song "Alley Cat."

Pallbearers were Robert Parker, Scott Parker, Christopher Parker, Robert Brown, Lyndsey Brown and Katelyn Brown. Honorary Pallbearers were Tristian Parker, Blazen Parker and Jordan Brown.

Interment was in the Washington Cemetery, Rural Republic, Kansas.

Memorials are suggested to go to the Republic Methodist Church.

Megrue-Price Funeral Home of Superior, Nebraska was in charge of the arrangements.

Sophia Ann Anderson

Sophie Ann Anderson, 72, of Formoso, died Thursday, February 19, 2015. She was born July 11, 1942, to James and Genevieve (Saleem) Hashberger, in Fall River, Massachusetts.

Survivors: husband, Rickey Anderson, of the home; son, Olle Ponder Jr.; daughters, Tracy (Greg) Burkett, Stacy (Maher) Awad and Regina Chandler; stepchildren, Rick (Jessica) Baker, Chester (Susan) Baker and Betsy Bumpas; 15 grandchildren; one great-grandchild; sister, Eileen (Ray) Belanger; and brother, Joe (Bonnie) Hashberger. Preceded by: parents; brother, Bobby; son, Chance Ponder; and two grandsons.

Celebration of Life service was Monday, February 23, at Formoso Community Church. Interment was in Balch cemetery.

Mona Andersen

Mona Andersen, 62, died at her home in Jamestown Sun., March 1, 2015. She was born on Aug. 9, 1952 in Concordia to Leonard and Kathryn (Kempkes) Swiercinsky.

She graduated from Belleville High School and Cloud County Community College. She worked for the phone company after college and later was an office administrator for the school system and worked with her husband, Eric at Waddell & Reed, Concordia.

She married C. Eric Andersen on Feb. 7, 1976 in Belleville.

She was a member of the First United Methodist Church, Concordia and served on the Jamestown Library Board.

She is survived by her husband, Eric Andersen, Jamestown; daughter, Jaime Brown (Dave), State College, PA; son, Chad Andersen, Nashville, TN; one grandson; mother, Kathryn Swiercinsky, Savannah, GA; sister, Lynette Uhrich, Savannah, GA; brothers, Ron Swiercinsky (Stevie), Belleville, Randy Swiercinsky (Lori), Cuba, and Dan Swiercinsky (Stacey), Henderson, NV.

She was preceded in death by her father, Leonard.

Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m., Fri., March 6, at the First United Methodist Church, Concordia, with Rev. Tessa Zehring officiating. Burial at Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Concordia.

Visitation will be on Thurs., March 5 from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. with family greeting friends from 6-8 p.m. at Chaput-Buoy Funeral Home. The family suggests memorials to the family's choice in care of the funeral home. For online condolences, please visit www.chaputbuoy.com.

Duane R. Adams

Duane R. Adams, son of William Perry Adams and Hattie Agnes (McMurtry) Adams, was born October 10, 1929, at Craig, Nebraska, and passed away on April 10, 2015, at the Republic County Hospital, Belleville, Kansas, at the age of eighty-five years and six months.

Duane grew up in Belleville, Kansas, attending the local schools and graduating from Belleville High School in 1947. Following his schooling, Duane worked in the Ideal Grocery Store in Superior, and later the IGA Store in Belleville. He worked for many years at the Food Mart in Belleville in the grocery department until his retirement.

On April 26, 1953, he was united in marriage to Norma Jean Hickman and to this union was born: David. They were married nearly 62 years and made their home in Belleville.

Duane was a member of the Belleville Masonic Lodge # 129 AF & AM. He also was a member of the Promise Keepers and attended the Central Christian Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents, William and Hattie Adams.

Duane is survived by his wife, Norma Jean Adams of Belleville, Kansas, and one son, David Adams also of Belleville, Kansas; other relatives, and many friends.

Funeral services were Saturday, April 18, 2015, at the Central Christian Church, Belleville, Kansas, with Pastor Mark Imel, officiating.

Interment will be at the Ida Cemetery, rural Munden, Kansas.

Memorials are suggested to family choice.

Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, Kansas, was in charge of the arrangements.

Linda Havel-Allday

Linda Diane (Havel) Allday, 69, died Monday, May 18, 2015 at the Belleville Healthcare Center. She was born December 2, 1945 in Belleville.

She is the daughter of Melva Havel-Parrack and the late Vernon Havel who preceded her in death in 1969. She is survived by her daughter Amy Jo (Daniel) Downing and four grandchildren and three step-grandchildren; sisters Joleen (Terry) Baxa, Belleville, and Peggy (Lyle) Humpert, Tescott, KS.

She began her career with Southwestern Bell in 1963 at Concordia, as a telephone operator, advancing in positions of increasing responsibility until retiring from Southwestern Bell in Wichita in 2000 after 37 years of service.

Memorial services will be held 11 a.m. Friday, May 22, at the Presbyterian Church, Cuba.

Family inurnment according to Linda's wishes will be in the National Bohemian Cemetery District #13, rural Cuba. Memorials to the National MS Society or the Linda Allday Memorial. Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, Kansas was in charge of these arrangements.

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Delbert Aspegren

Delbert Clarence Aspegren was born September 8, 1927 to Clarence H. and Lorine R. (Erickson) Aspegren on the family farm in Courtland and died Saturday, July 11, 2015 after difficulties with congestive heart failure. He was 87.

He was baptized and confirmed in the Courtland Methodist Church and later joined the Amana Lutheran Church of Scandia.

During his youth, he learned the skill of carpentry and worked for a short time in Topeka as a carpenter. Upon returning to Courtland he used his carpentry skills to help in the construction of the Lovewell Dam.

He was a member of the Masonic Lodge of Courtland holding many offices; the Scandia Lions Club, serving in various leadership roles; and a former school board member of 12 years for the Scandia/Courtland Public School District USD 426. He was instrumental in bringing rural water to Republic County and served on the board of development for Republic County Recreation Association bringing a golf course to Belleville with grass greens.

He owned and operated the Clarence L Gile Insurance Agency with his wife Norma for the past 33 years. He also farmed.



He was united in marriage to Norma Greenslade on April 20, 1947 at First Methodist Church of Topeka and to this union four children were born: Phyllis, Ron, Jane Ann, and Carrie.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his sister Mable Davis and Son-in-law Jim Jensik.

He is survived by his wife Norma of their home, children Phyllis Jensik and husband Stan Grueber, Belleville, Ronald Aspegren and wife Connie, Courtland, Jane Ann Carlgren and

husband Ed, Scandia, Kansas, and Carrie Stehno and husband Mark, Nixa, MO; eight grandchildren; 14 great grandchildren; his sister Helen Cook, Mesa, AZ.

Visitation will be Thursday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the funeral home. Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m., Friday, July 17, at Amana Lutheran Church in Scandia with Pastor Tom Kamprath officiating. Masonic Rites will be conducted by Courtland Lodge No. 211 A.F. & A.M. Burial will be in the Scandia Lutheran Cemetery, rural Scandia. Memorials to the Amana Lutheran Church, Courtland Methodist church or NCK Shrine Club C/O Swedish American State Bank of Courtland for children's medical/travel expenses.

Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, Kansas is handling arrangements.

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Janette I. Asch

Janette I. Asch, daughter of Vernon L. Hoover and Opal (Andrews) Hoover, was born October 22, 1944, at Cuba, Kansas, and passed away on August 26, 2015, at Belleville, Kansas, at the age of seventy years, ten months and four days.



She graduated from Cuba High School in 1962. She was united in marriage to Kenneth H. Asch on November 25, 1962, and to this union two sons were born, Bradley K. and Andrew J.

She is a member of the Presbyterian Church, Cuba, Kansas, Ophel Chapter No. 115 Order of Eastern Star, Belleville, Kansas.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Vernon and Opal Hoover, one granddaughter, Shaylynn Morey.

She is survived by her husband, Kenneth H. Asch of Belleville, Kansas.; two sons, Bradley (Lisa) Asch of Moore, Oklahoma, and Andrew Asch of Concordia, Kansas.; two grandchildren, Nathaniel Asch of Norman, Oklahoma, and Brendon Asch of Clyde, Kansas; three sisters, Sandra (Gary) Maughan of Liberty, Missouri, Verna Lee (Bernie) Hayen of Manhattan, Kansas, Mona Scott of Lafontaine, Indiana, nieces and nephews, other relatives and many friends.

Funeral services were held Monday, August 31, 2015, Presbyterian Church, Cuba, Kansas, conducted by Pastor Mark McGregor.

Interment was in Belleville Cemetery, Belleville, Kansas.

Memorials may be given to Family Choice.

Online condolences and information at www.bachelor-surber.com

Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, Kansas, was in charge of arrangements.

Arlene M. Bohling

Arlene M. Bohling, 78 of Byron - Chester area, died October 13, 2015.

She was married to Loren Bohling.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday October 17, at St. Paul Lutheran Church at Byron, NE.

The family will greet friends from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday October 16 at St. Paul Lutheran Church at Byron.

Burial will be at St. Paul Lutheran Church Cemetery - Byron, NE. Memorials to the Family's Choice.

David R. "Dave" Ashby

David R. "Dave" Ashby, son of Raymond Ashby and Sarah Edna (Newham) Ashby, was born November 1, 1933, at the Coleman Hospital, Indianapolis, Indiana, and passed away on September 14, 2015, at the Republic County-Long Term Care, Belleville, Kansas, at the age of eighty-two years, ten months and thirteen days.

Dave grew up in the Indianapolis area graduating from Washington High School at Indianapolis. He later attended Boise College, Boise, Idaho, receiving a degree as a horticulturist.

Dave served with the U. S. Air Force and was stationed at Gowen Field at Boise and later was involved in the construction of the Mountain Home Air Force Base at Mountain Home, Arkansas. He served four years until his honorable discharge.

Dave was involved in trucking for many years, working for Tes Trucking until his retirement. Dave made his home in Belleville, Kansas, for many years.

On December 11, 1999, he was united in marriage to Juanita (Howe) Ashby and she survives.

Dave enjoyed gardening along with fishing and canning.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Maxine; parents; son, Rockie; daughter, Fern; and step-son, Kent Goodrich.

Dave is survived by his wife, Juanita Ashby, of Belleville, Kansas; two sons, Kenneth Ashby of Boise, Idaho, and Gary Ashby of Arkansas; one daughter, Cindy Miller of Hawaii; three step-children, Gary Goodrich of Munden, Kansas, Melinda (Bon) Babin and David (Cherie) Voorhees both of Belleville, KS; twelve grandchildren, twenty-eight great-grandchildren, other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held Friday, September 18, 2015, at the Central Christian Church, Belleville, Kansas, with Pastor Mark Imel, officiating.

Interment was in the Belleville Cemetery with Military Graveside Rites by the McConnell Air Force Base Honor Guard.

Memorials are suggested to family choice.

Online condolences to www.bachelor-surber.com

Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, Kansas, was in charge of the arrangements.

Death Notice

Laura O. Baker

Laura O. Baker, 92, of Marysville, Kansas, died Saturday, January 17, 2015, at Cambridge Place in Marysville.



Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, January 21, at the Evangelical United Church of Christ in Marysville.

Visitation will be on Tuesday, January 20, from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Kinsley Mortuary in Marysville and the family will receive friends from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Burial will be at the Marysville City Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the church and can be sent in care of Kinsley Mortuary in Marysville.

Laura is survived by two sons, Gary (Sharon) Phillips and Lonnie (Carol) Phillips, both of Marysville, a daughter, Sharon (Carl) Segerhammar of Courtland, Kansas, six grandchildren, three step-grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren, two sisters, Margaret Lange of Marysville, and Patricia (Larry) Lemon of Topeka.

Dolores J. Bouska

Dolores J. (Bouska) Lewis, 83, of Topeka, Kansas, passed away on Saturday, July 18, 2015.



She was born on December 5, 1931, in Haddam, Kansas. She grew up in Belleville, Kansas, graduating from Belleville High School in 1949, where she was valedictorian of her class. She was the daughter of Luther and Doris Bouska. She had two brothers, James and Donald Bouska, as well as her parents, who preceded her in death. She had one sister, Janet (Marshall) Grimm, of Ann Arbor, Michigan, who survives.

After attending Kansas State University for two years, she married James J. Lewis and was married to him for 22 years. They raised four sons, Kirk, Keith, Kelly and Bryan. She lived in Manhattan from 1963-1974. Then she moved to Topeka where she resided the rest of her life. She earned a BBA degree in Accounting from Washburn University where she would go on to be Comptroller from 1980-1998. She also earned her CPA Certificate in 1981.

Dolores enjoyed many things including cooking and bird watching. She liked both cats and dogs and often visited friends with pets. She was proud of her four grandchildren and her Czech heritage and once visited the Czech Republic with her son, Kirk.

She is survived by three sons, Kirk (Jayne), of Northfield, Minnesota, Keith and Bryan, of Wichita, Kansas, and by four grandchildren, Stuart, Austin, Texas, Scott, of Denver, Colorado, Cody, and Caylen, of Wichita, Kansas.

A memorial service was held Friday, July 31, 2015, at St. David's Episcopal Church, 3916 SW 17th St, Topeka, KS 66604. Memorial services and inurnment was held Saturday, August 1, 2015, at Grace Hill Cemetery, rural Belleville, Kansas, with Pastor Mark Baldwin, officiating.

Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, Kansas, was in charge of the arrangements.

Bill Bruchie

Bill Bruchie, the son of James W. Bruchie and Zula (Morrish) Bruchie, was born June 9, 1931 at Liberal, KS and died on Feb. 5, 2015 at Republic County Hospital, Belleville, at the age of 83 years, seven months, and 26 days.

He grew up in Liberal, KS, graduating from Liberal High School in 1949. He joined the U. S. Air Force and served as an aircraft technician during the Korean War. Following his honorable discharge, he returned to Liberal where he worked for Duckwall's. He then worked for Duckwall's in Pueblo, CO and later came to Belleville, KS in 1961 to manage the local Duckwall's store. In 1967, he moved to La Cross, KS where he owned and operated Bruchie Fine Furniture until 1972. He worked for T G & Y Stores in the Wichita, KS area and

in South Carolina until moving to the Belleville area in 1978, living at the Frasier farmhouse and in 1994 moving to town.

In September 1969, he was united in marriage to Mary M. (Fraser) Shinn and she preceded him in death on Oct. 10, 2010.

He was a member of the Central Christian Church, and the Kiwanis Club.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, Mary; one brother James Bruchie, and one step-son, Bob Shinn.

He is survived by one step-son, Norm Shinn of Belleville; two nephews, one niece, three step-grandchildren; three step great grandchildren, other relatives, and friends.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 14, at the Central Christian Church, Belleville, with Pastor Mark Imel, officiating. Interment will follow at the Belleville Cemetery. Friends may call from 3 p.m. until 9 p.m. on Thursday, and from 9 a.m. until 9 p.m. on Friday at the funeral home. Memorials are suggested to Central Christian Church. Online condolences and information at www.bachelor-surber.com

Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, KS is in charge of the arrangements.

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Velma Josephine Bowers, daughter of Arthur Lorimor and Anna (Woodka) Lorimor was born May 24, 1923 at rural Rydal, KS and died April 12, 2015 at Belleville, at the age of 91 years, 10 months and 18 days.

She was united in marriage to Joe W. Noble on May 24, 1944 and to this union five sons were born, Gary, Dennis, Billy, Terry, Brian. Joe Noble died on January 17, 1980. She was united in marriage to Joye W. Bowers on August 13, 1988. Joye Bowers died on March 27, 1996.

She was a member of the First Baptist Church, Belleville.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husbands, two sons, Gary Noble and Dennis Noble, one brother, Glen Lorimor, one sister, Florence Ahrens, one half brother, Perry Lorimor.

She is survived by three sons, Billy (Vickie) Noble of Belleville, Terry Noble of Belleville, Brian Noble of Bartlesville, OK., daughter in law, Sheila Sjolholm of Hardy NE, two step sons, Phillip Bowers of Downers Grove, Ill., Larry Bowers of Manhattan; nine grandchildren, seven great grandchildren, three great great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held 2 p.m., Friday, April 17, First Baptist Church, Belleville, conducted by Pastor Bruce Burfield.

Interment in Pleasant Ridge Cemetery, rural Belleville. Memorials to First Baptist Church or Alzheimer's Association

Friends may call on Wednesday from 1 p.m. to 9 p.m., Thursday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. at Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville. Online condolences and information at www.bachelor-surber.com. Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville. in charge

Karen L. Brown

Karen L. Brown, 73, died Friday, February 6, 2015, at her home in Concordia. She was born December 24, 1941, in Scandia to Lauren "Hap" and Julia (Flesher) Davis.

Karen graduated from Scandia High School. She married Donald "Donnie" R. Brown on July 30, 1960. He preceded her in death on March 1, 2001. She was also preceded in death by her parents, son, Alan Brown, and brother, Buster Davis.

She was a cook for the Sisters of

St. Joseph at the Nazareth Motherhouse and Manna House. She was a member of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church and Altar Society.

She is survived by her daughter, Judy (Jeff) Womack, of Concordia; son, Donald Davis, of Concordia; four grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services were held at 1 p.m. Monday, February 9, at Chaput-Buoy Funeral Home, Concordia, with the Rev. James Hoover officiating. Burial was at St. Concordia Cemetery, Concordia.

June M. "Bobby" Bundy

June Mary "Bobby" Bundy, the daughter of John R. Shotzman and Mary (Lervold) Shotzman, was born April 23, 1925 at Scandia, KS and passed away on August 10, 2015 at the Overland Park Regional Medical Center, Overland Park, Kansas at the age of ninety years, three months, and seventeen days.

She grew up in and attended the local public schools of Scandia, graduating from Scandia High School. On January 10, 1946, she was united in marriage to George R. Bundy III and to this union was born: Linda, John, Kathy, Sandy, and Cindy. The couple lived in Concordia, Kansas for several years and then moved to Salina, Kansas and he preceded her in death in 1984.

June was a nursing assistant at St. John's Hospital, Salina, Kansas for 32 years, retiring in 1989. In recent years, she lived in Lenexa, Kansas.

June was a Girl Scout Leader and girls' softball coach. She enjoyed bowling and square dancing and enjoyed crocheting, gardening, and animals.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, George; daughter Sandra Fern McClanahan; brothers: Faye, Ivan and Jean; sister, Fern; daughter-in-law, Mary Bundy and son-in-law, Gary E. Yardley.

June is survived by daughter, Linda E. Yardley of Gardner, Kansas; son, John Bundy of Desoto, Kansas; daughter, Kathryn (Gary) Peterson of Clarkridge, Arizona; and daughter, Cynthia (Randy) Oetting of Salina, Kansas; nine grandchildren, three step grandchildren, seventeen great grandchildren, eight step great grandchildren, and three great great grandchildren; two nieces, one nephew, other relatives, and friends.

Funeral services were held Saturday, August 15, 2015 at the Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Scandia, KS with Pastor Dwight Garman, officiating. Interment at the Riverview Cemetery, Scandia, Kansas

Memorials are suggested to the Humane Society.

Online condolences to www.bachelor-surber.com

Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Scandia, Kansas was in charge of the arrangements.

Irene Brewer

Irene Marcella Aaker Brewer died Wednesday, April 1, 2015, her home northeast of Carthage Missouri. She would have been 95 on April 12.

She and her husband, Archi have lived in their historic Map Lane Farm home, which they moved from Norway, Kansas, in 1961. They celebrated their 73 wedding anniversary February 24.

She was born in Seattle Washington, in 1918, the daughter of the Rev. V. O. and Emma Aaker. She studied voice at a music conservatory in Fargo, North Dakota, where she sang on local radio station WDAY. Later in Atchison, Kansas, she had a weekly radio program called "15 Minute With Smiles."

During World War II, she helped manufacture military aircraft windshields at a plant near Glendale, California, where her husband was stationed in the Army Air Force.

After the war they returned to Norway to farm. Mrs. Brewer was a frequent soloist in her church and at weddings and funerals. She continued to pursue musical interests after they moved to the Carthage area including being in the choir of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church and the Carthage Music Devotees. She also played piano and organ.

Besides her husband, survivors include six children, Norma (Judy) of Bethesda, Maryland; Vallie Cook of Carl Junction, Renie (Doug) Wilson of Chicago, Marl of Carthage (Julie Winter), Mary Ellen (Phil) Morgan of Manhattan, Kansas, and Joe of West Plains, Missouri, (Laurie Harris), an informally adopted son Michael "Butch" Taft (Charlene) of Harbor City, California, a sister, Ordelle M. Aaker of Joplin; and 47 grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren. Local relatives include brother-in-law Dean Brewer and wife Irma.

The funeral was April 6 at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Carthage, Missouri.

Don L. Buchanan

Don L. Buchanan, son of Lewis R. Buchanan and Elda Mae (Allen) Buchanan, was born April 28, 1941, at Ashland, Nebraska and passed away on February 17, 2015 at Lincoln, Nebraska, at the age of 73 years, 9 months and 19 days.

He moved to Belleville, Kansas in 1944. Attended Belleville Grade School and graduated from Belleville High School. He served in the U.S. Army from 1962 to 1976. He did basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, and then went to Fort Story, Virginia. He spent seven years in Germany, one year at Fort Carson, Colorado, and one year in Vietnam, four years at Fort Hood, Texas.

He was united in marriage to Barbara Horvath on January 19, 1983, at Round Rock, Texas. They moved to Manhattan Kansas, and then in 1989 moved to Belleville, where he spent the rest of his life. He was a truck driver of 48 states most of his life and enjoyed it and his wife Barbara traveled with him. He enjoyed playing games on the computer and being with his family.

Don was preceded in death by his parents, Lewis and Elda Mae Buchanan, one brother, Richard L. (Buck) Buchanan.

Don will be greatly missed, but forever remembered by his wife, Barbara R. Buchanan of Belleville, Kansas, one daughter, Kimberly Baidas of

Clyde, Texas, three grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, one sister, Ronda (Ray) Davis of Edmond, Oklahoma, nephew, MSGT Marc (Alisa) Davis of San Antonio, Texas, niece, Cheryl Tallent of Wichita, Kansas, two sister-in-laws, Linda Horvath of Lawrence, Kansas, Paula Buchanan of Fort Dodge, Kansas., nieces, Melody Muth and daughter Ariel of Belleville, Kansas., April (Todd) Ludaeka and their children, Harley, Halen of Belleville, Kansas., brother-in-law, Ed (Cherly) Glenn of Kansas City, Missouri, nieces, Heather (Brian) McFeely and son Riker of Overland Park, Kansas., Rachel Glenn of Kansas City, Missouri, nephew, James Glenn of Kansas City, Missouri, other relatives and many friends.

Memorial services will be held Two PM, Saturday, February 28, 2015, Bachelor-Surber Memorial Chapel, Belleville, Ks, conducted by, Pastor Mark Imel.

Private Family Inurnment will be in Fairview Cemetery, Atwood, Kansas, at a later date.

Memorials may be given to the Albert Isaacson-James Larsen-Robert Sjolander American Legion Post No 193 of Scandia, Kansas.

Friends may sign the register book on Friday, February 27, 2015, from 1pm to 9 pm at Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, Kansas.

Merrill D. Beaushaw

Merrill Dale Beaushaw, 101, Abilene KS, formerly of Jamestown, died Tuesday, March 17, 2015 at Memorial Hospital in Abilene.

He was born July 22, 1913 to Evelyn B. and Ada G. Logan Beaushaw on a farm west of Jamestown.

He is survived by his wife, Esther, of the home; three daughters: Gloria (Charles) Coss, Baxley GA, Karen Anderson, Abilene KS, Marilyn Bean, Chapman KS; a sister, Ila Lewis, Belleville; 10 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a grandson, Monte Dan Bean II, and siblings Melvin, Carl, Earl, Duane, Madeline and Marjorie.

Memorial services were held March 23 at the United Methodist Church in Jamestown. Inurnment at a later date. Memorials: Wounded Warriors of Hospice of Dickinson County. Nutter mortuary in charge of arrangements. nuttermortuary@yahoo.com.

Harold E. Brown

Harold Eugene Brown was born April 27, 1930, at Smith Center, Kansas, to Clifford V. and Zetta M. (Fisher) Brown and passed away on April 23, 2015, at Rolling Hills Health Care, Topeka, Kansas, at the age of eighty-four years, eleven months, and twenty-eight days.

He attended public grade schools at Scandia, Wichita (Plainview), and Rural Mercer School in southern Republic County. He attended Concordia High School, graduating from Scandia High School in 1950.

On August 27, 1950, Harold was united in marriage to Elizabeth (Betty) A. Henderson at Belleville, Kansas, and to this union was born five sons.

Harold and Betty lived in the communities of Belleville, Scandia, Haviland, Kinsley, Burr Oak, and Courtland, Kansas, during their years of marriage.

Harold was a retired service station owner and attendant in Kinsley, Kansas.

He was a member of the Church of the Nazarene and attended the United Methodist Church, Courtland, Kansas.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one son: Clifford; four brothers, Arlie, Bob, Glenn and Jim; and one sister, Violet.

Harold is survived by his wife Betty of Courtland, Kansas; four sons, Doug Brown of Texas, Sam Brown of Courtland, Kansas, Scott (Pam) Brown of Bismarck, North Dakota, and Dale (Debbie) Brown of Great Bend, Kansas; one sister, Delores Freed of Wichita, Kansas; ten grandchildren, three step-grandchildren, eleven great-grandchildren; nieces and nephews, other relatives, and friends.

Visitation will be from One p. m. until Nine p. m. Wednesday, April 29th, and nine a. m. until nine p.m. Thursday, April 30th, at the Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, Kansas

Funeral services in Topeka, Kansas, will be held at 3:00 p. m., Friday, May 1, 2015, at the First Church of the Nazarene, 1001 Southwest Buchanan St.

Funeral services will be held at two p. m. Saturday, May 2, 2015, at the United Methodist Church, Courtland, Kansas, with Pastor Kathy Aeillo, officiating.

Interment will be at the Riverview Cemetery, Scandia, Kansas

Memorials: United Methodist Church-Courtland or Fisher-Brown Family Scholarship Fund at Mid America Nazarene University, Olathe, Kansas.

Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, Kansas, is in charge of the arrangements.

Varie B. Burton

Varie Blanche Burton,
daughter of Clifford
Lindsley
and
Blanche
(Jones)
Lindsley
was born
October
4, 1921 at
Morrowville,
KS and
died on April 29, 2015 at
Belleville at the age of 93
years, six months and 25
days.



She graduated from
Morrowville High School
in 1939. She was united
in marriage to Jewell R.
Burton on June 2, 1942
and to this union one son,
James M. Burton was born.

She is a member of the
United Methodist Church,
of Haddam.

She was preceded in
death by her parents,
Clifford and Blanche
Lindsley, husband, Jewell
R. Burton, one great
granddaughter, Evelyn
Rutledge, two brothers,
Merle Lindsley and Melvin
Lindsley.

She is survived by
one son, James (Linda)
Burton of Haddam; five
grandchildren; four great
grandsons, two great
granddaughters.

Funeral services
were held May 2 United
Methodist Church,
Haddam, conducted by
Pastor Randy Jellison-
Knock. Interment in Hickory
Grove (Blocker) Cemetery,
rural Haddam. Memorials
to United Methodist
Church, Haddam.

Online condolences and
information at [www.
bachelor-surber.com](http://www.bachelor-surber.com)

Bachelor-Surber Funeral
Home, Belleville, KS in
charge of arrangements.

Varie B. Burton



Varie Blanche Burton, daughter of Clifford Lindsley and Blanche (Jones) Lindsley, was born October 4, 1921, at Morrowville, Kansas, and passed away on April 29, 2015, at Belleville, Kansas, at the age of ninety-three years, six months and twenty-five days.

She graduated from Morrowville High School in 1939. She was united in marriage to Jewell R. Burton on June 2, 1942, and to this union one son, James M.

Burton, was born.

She is a member of the United Methodist Church, of Haddam, Kansas.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Clifford and Blanche Lindsley, husband, Jewell R. Burton, one great-granddaughter, Evelyn Rutledge, two brothers, Merle Lindsley and Melvin Lindsley.

She is survived by one son, James (Linda) Burton of Haddam, Kansas; five grandchildren, Kathryn (Bryon) Diederich of Greenleaf, Kansas, Jennifer Vignery of Olathe, Kansas, Sara (Jeff) Rowson of Ringgold, Texas, Sandra (David) Pinkham of Manhattan, Kansas, Ian Burton of Haddam, Kansas; four great-grandsons; two great-granddaughters; sister-in-law, Martha Lindsley of Haddam, Kansas; nieces and nephews, other relatives and many friends.

Funeral services were held, Saturday, May 2, 2015, United Methodist Church, Haddam, Kansas, conducted by, Pastor Randy Jellison-Knock.

Interment will be in Hickory Grove (Blocker) Cemetery, rural Haddam, Kansas.

Memorials may be given to United Methodist Church, Haddam, Kansas.

Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, Kansas, was in charge of arrangements.

Gino E. Brichalli

Gino E. Brichalli, 59, died May 24, 2015 at Mt. Joseph Senior Village, Concordia, KS.

He was born on Sept. 30, 1955 in Concordia, to Bartolemeo (Meo) and Gladys M. (LaBarge) Brichalli.

He graduated from Concordia High School in 1974 and was a lifelong Concordia resident.

He married Connie S. Nobert on June 7, 1975 at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church, Concordia.

He worked with his family in the auto body repair business before going to work for the Cloud County Highway Dept. where he worked on the bridge crew and as a heavy equipment operator for the last 35 years.

He was a member of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church and a 3rd degree Knights of Columbus member.

He is survived by his wife, Connie, Concordia; daughters, Amy Drury (Bill), Concordia and Kristina Kindel (Jeff), Aurora; son, Wyatt, Manhattan; sisters, Anita Cyphers, Concordia; Marcia Charbonneau (Bob), Kansas City, KS; Cynthia Sexson, Ft. Collins, CO; Lisa Brichalli, Concordia; DeNetta Ingram (Tim), Berthoud, CO and Valeria 'Bobbie' Hill (Phil), Ord, NE; brothers, Mario Brichalli (Veta), Springfield, MO and Dino Brichalli (Julie), Topeka; eight grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Regina Hinson.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be 10 a.m. May 28, 2015 at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church, Concordia with Rev. Brian Lager officiating. Burial will follow at St. Concordia Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 9 a.m. to 9 pm. with a Vigil service at 6 p.m. on May 27, 2015 all at Chaput-Buoy Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, memorials received will be designated by the family at a later date, in care of the funeral home. For online condolences, please visit www.chaputbuoy.com.

Chaput-Buoy Funeral Home, Concordia, in charge of arrangements.

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Mildred M. Blecha

Mildred M. Blecha, 97, died on Monday, June 22, 2015.

Mass of Christian Burial will be 10 a.m., Friday, June 26, St. George's Catholic Church, Munden, conducted by, Father Brian Lager

Interment will be in St. George's Catholic Cemetery rural Munden.

Vigil/Rosary service will be 7 p.m. Thursday at Bachelor-Surber Chapel, Belleville, KS.

Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, KS in charge of arrangements

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Mildred M. Blecha



Mildred M. Blecha, was born in rural Morrowville, Kansas, on March 25, 1918, the daughter of Frank Zach Sr. and Maude (Nutsch) Zach. She went to see her Lord on June 22, 2015, at the age of 97 years, 2 months and 27 days.

Mildred graduated from Haddam High School, Haddam, Kansas, and attended Kansas State University. She married her life partner, Henry J. Blecha, on November 8, 1941, and to this union four children were born.

Before becoming a farm wife and homemaker, Mildred taught in one room country schools. She and her husband Henry spent their life farming and had a grade A dairy nearly 30 years. The last 30 years they were owner and operators of Evergreen Acres Campground. Mildred was an active member of St. George's Catholic Church, Munden, Kansas., women's Altar Society, Catholic Workman, Liberty Rose Creek 4-H Leader, Excelsior FCE.

She and Henry drove many miles to dance to the big bands and later were regular square dancers. They took bus tours to several areas of the U.S. and enjoyed returning to Branson, Missouri, to see their favorite performers. However, the trip she most enjoyed speaking about was her Model A road trip with three other young teachers to tour the east coast in 1938.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Frank and Maude Zach; husband, Henry J. Blecha; one daughter, Rita Blecha Sulzen; three brothers, Frank, Harvey and Lawrence.

She is survived by two sons, Donald (Margaret) Blecha of Valley Center, Kansas, Kelvin (Marcia) Blecha of Chester, Nebraska; one daughter, Janice (Mark) Keeley of Tahlequah, Oklahoma; son in law, Richard Sulzen of Shawnee, Kansas; nine grandchildren; four step-grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews, other relatives and many friends.

Mass of Christian Burial was held Friday, June 26, 2015, St. George's Catholic Church, Munden, Kansas, conducted by, Father Brian Lager. Vigil/Rosary service was the prior evening at Bachelor-Surber Chapel, Belleville, Kansas.

Interment was in St. George's Catholic Cemetery, rural Munden, Kansas.

Memorials may be given to St. George's Catholic Church or St. George's Catholic Cemetery.

Online condolences and information at www.bachelor-surber.com. Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, was in charge of arrangements.

James Bell

James "Jim" L. Bell, 62, Concordia, died August 13, 2015 at Sunset Nursing Home, Concordia. He was born on Aug. 16, 1952 at St. Joseph's Hospital in Concordia, KS to Cleason R. and Marjorie M. (Farmer) Bell.

He is survived by his wife, Juliana, Concordia; sister, Lesta Bell Feldkamp (Mark), Overland Park, KS; half-brother, Robert Bell, Placerville, CA.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Mass of Christian Burial was August 17 at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church with Rev. Brian Lager officiating. Burial at St. Concordia Cemetery. Memorials to Meadowlark Hospice in care of the funeral home. For online condolences, please visit www.chaputbuoy.com.

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Dale F. Barrett



Dale Franklin Barrett, 98, was born April 4, 1917, in Belleville to Bert and Ruth (Daggett) Barrett, and died Monday, June 15, 2015 in Northglenn, CO.

He attended the Belleville public schools, where he

graduated in 1935. He just celebrated his 80th year since graduation.

On May 29, 1937, he married Josephine M. Collins in Seneca KS. She died in 2008. They lived most of their married life in Belleville, where they raised their four children: Melanie, Patrick, Michele and Bradley.

He was a member of the Presbyterian Church of Belleville.

He served in the United States Army during World War II in Germany.

He was a meat cutter by trade, working for Safeway and later owning the Belleville IGA. Before retirement, he worked for the State of Kansas as a meat inspector for 12 years.

He is survived by his children, Melanie Huff and husband Mike of Westminster CO, Patrick Barrett and wife Devra of Bronxville NY, Michele Childs of Larkspur, CO, and Bradley Barrett and wife Alneata of Lawrence KS; 11 grandchildren, five great grandchildren; sister Anita Larson and husband Bob of Scandia.

Memorial services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, July 11 at the United Presbyterian Church in Belleville, with Pastor Robert Frasier officiating. Inurnment in the Belleville City Cemetery with military rites conducted by Fort Riley Honor Guard. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials be made to the Belleville Presbyterian Church or Crossroads Assisted-Living facility, 451 Malley Drive, Northglenn, CO 80233. Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, in charge of arrangements.

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Harvey Blackwood

Harvey Lee Blackwood, 57, died of injuries sustained from a motorcycle accident on July 11, 2015, near Concordia, KS.

He is survived by his significant other, Joy Erickson, Salina, KS; his sisters, Sandy (Kyle)



Swart, Marysville, KS, and Sherrie Larson, Belleville; four nieces and two nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Duane A. and Lola Mae Blackwood, and brother, David Blackwood.

He was born on April 19, 1958, in Newton, KS, to Duane A. and Lola Mae (Niemeier) Blackwood. He was baptized on May 11, 1958, at Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church. He was confirmed in the faith on May 13, 1973, at the American Lutheran Church, Belleville, KS.

He graduated from Belleville High School, Belleville, KS in 1976 where he also participated in basketball, cross country,

and track. He attended Kansas State University and was a member of the Beta Sigma Psi fraternity.

He moved back home and worked with his folks in the family business the Belleville Locker until his folks' retirement in 2000. He then worked for Hays Lumber in Belleville, KS. He retired in July 2014 and became fulltime caretaker of his parents until their deaths.

He participated in the American Legion Riders and The Sons of the American Legion where he held various offices and organized and participated in many Poker Runs. Growing up he was active in Boy Scouting and is a member of the American Lutheran Church (ELCA), Belleville.

Funeral services were held July 14, 2015, at 2 p.m. at the American Lutheran Church, Belleville, with Pastor Thomas Kamprath, officiating. Interment at Belleville City Cemetery.

Memorials will be designated at a later date. Online condolence to www.bachelor-surber.com. Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, in charge of arrangements.

Harold Brungardt

Harold Joseph Brungardt, age 74 of York, Nebraska, died at his home on Sunday, August 30, 2015. He was born July 22, 1941, to Edward and Catherine (Warsinger) Brungardt in Moreland, Kansas. Harold was united in marriage to Darla Way on June 15, 1968 at Geneva, Nebraska. Harold was a carpenter and general handyman. He also owned HB Lawn Service. He enjoyed helping on the farm. He also loved Westerns, bowling, and playing cards. He loved spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.



He is survived by his wife Darla of York; six sons: Robert Brungardt, York, Michael (Rebecca) Brungardt, York, Melvin (Kelsey) Brungardt, Beatrice, Jerome Brungardt, Lincoln, Timothy Brungardt, York, and Christopher Brungardt and his fiancé Tori Ostrich of Beatrice; three daughters: Denise (Jim) Wiedel of Hebron, Nebraska, Nadine (Todd) Allen of Courtland, Kansas, and Amber (Calvin) Yelm of York, Nebraska; fifteen grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

He is also survived by four brothers: Robert (Carol) Brungardt of Fargo, North Dakota, Tim Brungardt of Hill City, Kansas, Edward Brungardt of Deshler, Nebraska, and Kenneth (Kathy) Brungardt of Topeka, Kansas; two sisters: Linda (Floyd) Thorne of Colorado and Carolyn (Lynn) Withington of Norton, Kansas; many nieces, nephews, and other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, five brothers and three sisters.

Memorial services were held Saturday, September 5, 2015, at First Evangelical Lutheran Church, York. Memorials may be directed to the family for later designation.

Condolences may be emailed to Metz Mortuary, messages will be given to the family.

Uriel Bernell Baldwin

Uriel Bernell Baldwin, Newton, was born April 10, 1922,



to Rev. William and Gertrude Wells McNeill in Upper Tract WV, and

died September 13, 2015, in Wichita, KS.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 62 years, Dr. William J. Baldwin and grandson, David Schaeffer.

She is survived by her children, Janice (Don) Schaeffer, Ozawkie, KS, Judy (Ron) Oliver, Wichita, KS, Joyce (Jimmy) Denton, Hot Springs, AR, Phil (Peggy) Baldwin, Wichita, and two granddaughters.

She married her husband, a ministerial student, in 1940 following graduation from Republic High School, Republic, KS.

Together they served EUB and United Methodist pastorates throughout Kansas for 45 years.

She completed LPN training at KU Medical Center, Kansas City, in 1962. Three months

after graduating she was handpicked for the original nursing team at the world's first monitored intensive care unit at Bethany Hospital. She continued critical care nursing in Chanute, Topeka, Iola and Halstead hospitals having earned her RN degree at the Stormont-Vail Nursing School in Topeka.

She was a freelance writer for the Wichita Eagle and wrote articles, short stories and two novels, *Ordination* and *Preacher Bill's Bats in the Belfry*.

Funeral services were Wednesday, September 16 with interment in the Restlawn Garden of Memories in Newton.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials to First United Methodist Church TV Ministry, Wichita, KS, Harry Hynes Memorial Hospice or Youthville's Ember Hope. Contributions may be sent to Broadway Colonial Funeral Home, 120 E. Broadway, Newton, Ks. 67114.

Condolences may be left at www.broadwaycolonialfh.com. Arrangements are by Broadway Colonial Funeral Home, Newton.

Doreen Adelia Boutz, 84, Clay Center, died September 1, 2015 at Clay County Medical Center in Clay Center, KS. She was born May 3, 1931 at Decatur County, KS to Albert and Theresa (Walkemeyer) Boutz

She graduated from Oberlin High School and from Cloud County Community College. She married Gerald Kolsky, they later divorced. She worked as an office supervisor for Social and Rehabilitation Services. Later, she married Earnie Beneda and he preceded her in death. She then married Dave Course and they divorced.

She was a member of the United Methodist Church.

She was also preceded in death by her parents, sisters Leona Sommers, Waneta Nilson, Freda Morgan and Frances Mosier and brothers, Doyle,

Luther, Leo and Homar Boutz.

Survivors are children Greg (Joline) Kolsky, Grand Junction, CO; Gina (Arif) Hussain, St. Paul, MN; Evan (Mary) Kolsky, Clay Center; Lynette(Mike) Ball, Topeka; 10 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; sister: Flora Edwards, Lewiston, WA; brothers: Glen (Anita) Boutz, Mulvane, KS, Darrel (Dorothea) Boutz, Zeandale, KS; Everett (Bonnie) Boutz, Jefferson City, MO

Memorial Services: will be held next year following donation to the University of Kansas Medical Center.

Memorials: Clay Center Presbyterian Manor c/o the funeral home. Online condolences may be made at Neill-Schwensen-Rook Funeral Home.: Clay Center, Kansas (KS)

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Bedford Eugene Barton, son of Bedford and Verda (Higle) Barton was born November 15, 1939 at Belleville, Kansas. He passed from this life Thursday, August 20, 2015 while a resident of the Belleville Health Care Center at the age of 75 years. Gene attended Belleville public schools graduating from Belleville High School in 1957. He was married to LaNoma "Penny" Melvin at Belleville on February 22, 1964 and to this union two daughters Lorna and Joyce were born. Gene and Penny owned and operated Barton's Plumbing for more than forty years. He was an accomplished contractor in the heating,

cooling and plumbing profession. Together they built a retirement home in Cawker City near Glen Elder lake. They enjoyed their time there especially after retirement. Do to failing health they returned to the Belleville community. Gene dearly loved to be on his boat fishing. In his earlier years, he loved to ride his motorcycle and be outside gardening. Gene was preceded in death by his parents; Penny his wife of 50 years; daughter Joyce White; and son-in-law Jay Lindsey. He will be forever remembered by his daughter Lorna Lindsey; granddaughters Jessica Weathersbee, Jazmen White and Bailey White; great grandchildren Gavin Rowland and Harley Weathersbee; son-in-law John White; other relatives and friends.

Funeral services was held 3:00pm Tuesday, August 25, 2015 at Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, Kansas with Pastor Mark Imel officiating. Burial was in Pleasant Ridge Cemetery, rural Norway, Kansas. Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, Kansas was in charge of these arrangements.

C.F. "Bud" Berggren

Clarence "Bud" Frank Berggren was born May 9, 1927 in Scandia, the first born to Grant and Thora (Albro) Berggren, and died Thursday, October 8, 2015 in Lyons, KS at the age of 88 years.

He served two terms in the Navy. The first during WWII in Hawaii, and the second term in the Philippines during the Korean War.

After leaving the service he worked for the railroad, the Missouri Pacific for nine years and the Rock Island for two years. He also worked for the Republic County Road and Bridge Department as a motor grader operator until his retirement.

On August 3, 1954 he married Norma (Noble) Cline in Boulder, CO and thus began their journey of 57 years of marriage. Shortly after their marriage, the family moved to Republic, where they lived until 1963 when they relocated to the Berggren family farm in rural Scandia. He farmed

and raised livestock.

The couple moved to Scandia in 1999 where he lived until 2014 when he moved to Lyons, KS to Country Place Assisted Senior Living.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Norma, daughter Donna Derowitsch, and twin sisters Norma Scrivner and Nina McIntyre.

He is survived by sons Gary Cline of Scandia, Robert "Bob" Cline and wife Pat of Belleville, daughter Paula Swenson and husband Roger of Lyons, KS; son-in-law Lloyd Derowitsch of Scandia; nine grandchildren and four great grandchildren; sister Donna Reed and husband Paul of Broken Arrow, OK.

Funeral services were held Monday, October 12, at Tibbetts-Fischer Chapel, Belleville. Burial in Prairie Rose Cemetery south of Republic. Memorials to family's choice.

Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, in charge of arrangements.

Dorothy L. Brockmeier

Dorothy L. Brockmeier, 78, of Salina, died Sunday, December 27, 2015. She was born February 19, 1937, in Wayne, the daughter of Wendell and Myrtle Newman.

She married Paul A. Brockmeier on August 4, 1962 at Trinity Lutheran Church, Salina.

She worked as a registered nurse at local nursing homes. She was very involved with Immanuel Lutheran Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and brothers, Lloyd D. and Jerry L. Newman.

She is survived by her husband, Paul, of the home; daughters, Elizabeth Lindgren, of Salina, and Nicole Klinemeier (Kevin), of Seattle, WA; son, Allen Brockmeier (Lynda), of

Leoti, KS; brother, Ray J. Newman (JoAnne), of Concordia; sister, Eleanor Dosett (Anson), of McPherson; and five grandchildren.

Visitation will be held from 4-8 p.m. with the family receiving friends from 6-8 p.m., Wednesday, December 30 at Ryan Mortuary, 137 N. 8th St., Salina.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m., Thursday, December 31, 2015 at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 255 S. 7th St., Salina, with burial to follow in the Gypsum Hill Cemetery. Memorials to Immanuel Lutheran Church and left in care of the mortuary. For more information or online condolence, please visit www.ryanmortuary.com

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Eunice B. Blackburn



Eunice Beverly (Aspegren) Blackburn, youngest daughter of Oscar and Alma (Wallin) Aspegren was born November 26, 1923 on the Downing farm 2 miles north and 1 1/4 miles east of Courtland, Kansas. They moved to White Rock when she was 5 or 6 years old and went to country school through the 7th grade. At that time they moved to Grandpa Aspegren's place on 36 highway and she went to 8th grade at Courtland. Eunice graduated from

Courtland High School with the Class of 1941.

She worked in Oliver Johnson's grocery store until she was married on October 18, 1942 to Robert Paul Blackburn.

To this union three girls were born: Pamela, Patricia, Carla. She was baptized at the home of her grandparents P. J. Aspegren, where Mark Russell lives now and confirmed in 1939 in the Methodist Church in Scandia. She transferred her membership to the Courtland Methodist Church in 1946.

Eunice passed from this life Saturday, December 12, 2015 at the Long Term Care facility in Belleville, Kansas just a few days past her 92nd birthday.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband Bob in 1991; sons-in-law John Langston and Jack Schumard; brother Carl Aspegren; and sisters Gladys Johnson and Donelda Bowen.

Eunice will be forever remembered by her daughters Pamela Shumard, Patricia Blackburn and Carla Langston all of Courtland Kansas; grandsons Shane (Hannah) Langston and Seth Langston; granddaughters Nicole (Ryan) Kraus and Tamara (Mitch) Wieszorek; her great grandchildren Kinzey, Tatum, Khloe, Katelyn, Jack, Keegan, Warren Robert (Ron), Kaylee, and Lexi; several nieces and nephews; other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, December 15, 2015 at the United Methodist Church, Courtland, Kansas with Pastors Kathy Aeillo and Richard Cox officiating. Burial will be in the Courtland Cemetery. Memorials in Eunice's honor may be made to the Pike Valley Foundation. Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, Kansas assisted the Blackburn family with these arrangements.

Linda Butler-Woods

Linda Louise Butler-Woods, 75 of Salina, died Tuesday, December 8, 2015. She was born August 5, 1940 in Hebron, Nebraska.

She worked for Dillard's in Salina for 12 years as a sales clerk.

She was preceded in death by her father; Harold G. Richardson; her first husband Robert E. Butler; a son Tod E. Butler and a granddaughter Hailey Butler.

Survivors include her mother; Dorothy S. Richardson of Belleville, three sons; Robert L. (Debbie) Butler of Oskaloosa, Jeff A. (Anita) Butler of McCracken and Ronald K. (Aurdra) Butler of Gypsum, two sisters; Kathy (Chuck) Gomer of Bella Vista, AR and Corrine Meadows of Hastings, NE; 11 grandchildren and six

great-grandchildren.

Memorial services will be conducted by Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, 10 a.m., Saturday, January 2, 2016 at the First United Methodist Church, 2013 M. St. in Belleville, KS, with Pastor Emily Meckley officiating.

Memorials are suggested to family choice.

Online condolences at www.bachelor-surber.com

Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, KS is in charge of the services.

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Darlene Crumpler

Darlene Crumpler was born on August 15, 1945, in Ranger, Texas, to Jack and Fannie Mae Townsend. She was raised and attended school in Cisco where she graduated from high school in 1963. Darlene married Ronny Crumpler on February 9, 1964, in Cisco, Texas. They lived in Anson, Texas, one year then moved to Abilene, Texas. They also lived in Colorado City, Snyder and Big Springs, Texas, then moved back to Abilene in 1974.

Darlene was a homemaker most of her married life, and was active in her daughters' activities. She was also active in her church, Southern Hills Church of Christ, and enjoyed serving in many different areas of ministry.

On July 6, 1998, Darlene received a heart transplant on which she survived 16 ½ years. She passed from this life surrounded by her family on January 8, 2015, at Baylor Hospital in Dallas, Texas, after being there for 9 ½ weeks upon her diagnosis with cancer this past October.

Darlene was preceded in death by her mother, Fannie Mae Townsend, father, Jack Townsend, sister, Myra Scarborough, brother, Bob Townsend and nephew, Rodney Scarborough.

Darlene is survived by her husband of over 50 years, Ronny Crumpler, two daughters, Sheila Hilburn and her husband, Wes of Abilene, Texas, and Cindy Allen and her husband, Jason of Midlothian, Texas, four grandchildren, Cameron and Mikayla Hilburn of Abilene, Texas, and Kyle and Kailee Allen of Midlothian, Texas, her sister, Drucila Blanding, of Eastland, Texas, brother, Rex Townsend and his wife, Phyllis, of Burleson Texas, and several nieces and nephews.

Virginia L. Cottam

Virginia L. "Gin" Cottam, the daughter of Vergil Cottam and Edith (Maughan) Cottam, was born August 9, 1934 on a farm in Republic County just south of Hubbell, NE and died on Feb. 9, 2015 at Thayer County Health Services, Hebron, NE at the age of 80 years and six months.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Vergil and Edith Cottam, one brother, Robert Cottam, and one infant brother.

She is survived by two sisters, Mary Lou (Jerry) Brake of Beatrice, NE and Wanda (Robert) White of Topeka, KS; nephews and nieces.

Cremation was selected and memorial services will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, Feb. 13, 2015 at the Bachelor-Surber Memorial Chapel, Belleville, with Pastor Mark Baldwin, officiating.

Inurnment will be held at a later date at the Hubbell Cemetery. Friends may call to sign the register book from 1 p.m. until 9 p.m. on Thursday. In lieu of flowers memorials are suggested to family choice. Online condolences and information at www.bachelor-surber.com. Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, is in charge of arrangements.

Arlene F. Couture

Arlene F. Couture, age 82, entered into rest on April 10, 2015 in Belleville, Kansas. Arlene was born on the Sharpe homestead in rural



Washington County, Kansas on June 10, 1932 to George F. and Lena E. (Goering) Sharpe.

Arlene married Leonard M. Couture on September 30, 1950. Four Children were born to this union, Carroll Wayne, Irene Faye, one stillborn daughter and one stillborn son. Leonard preceded her in death on June 13, 2005.

Survivors include her two children, a son, Carroll Couture (Jane), Belleville; a daughter, Irene Brown (Bruce), Concordia; four grandchildren, Kevin Couture (Jillian), Belleville; Brad Couture (Tatum), Belleville; Jennifer Wheeler (Brad) Bennington; Spencer Brown (Rio), Concordia; 6 Great Grandchildren, Maklen Brown, Gannon & Gunnar Couture, Annabel and Izzabel Wheeler and Addisyn Couture; one sister, Wanda Jansen, Newton.

She was also preceded in death one stillborn daughter and one stillborn son, parents, one brother, Leland Sharpe.

Arlene was a 1950 graduate of Clyde High School. Arlene was a homemaker; school bus driver for 25 years for USD #224; She operated a business of Income Tax Preparation and Crop Insurance.

She was a member of St. John the Baptist Church, Clyde. Her hobbies were attending her grandchildren's and great grandchildren's activities.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held April 15, 2015 at St. John the Baptist Church, Clyde, with Rev. Larry Letourneau officiating. Burial in the Mt. Calvary Cemetery, Clyde.

Memorial contributions may be given to USD #224 to help provide expenses for bus drivers in c/o Chaput Mortuary. For online condolences may be sent to www.chaputbuoy.com

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Arlie R. Cox

Arlie Ray Cox of Cuba, died at his home on March 25, 2015. He was born Oct. 3, 1925 in Haddam, to Roy and Hallie Cox.

He grew up in the Haddam area. He attended the Crescent Country School and Haddam High School, graduating in 1942. After high school, he joined the army Oct. 14, 1944 as part of the U.S. Army Infantry stationed in Luzon Philippines. He served in WWII until Nov. 17, 1946.

He married Annemay Kennedy Oct. 10, 1947. The couple made their home on a farm north of Haddam with two children, Lonnie and Kayleen. He was a farmer. After a back injury, in 1954 he purchased a pool hall in Haddam, and the family moved to town. He sold the pool hall in 1959, went to work for Boeing Aircraft, and moved his family to Douglass, KS. While working for Boeing, the family lived in several states: Hagerman, NM, Caribou, Maine, and Douglass, KS. He began working for the Soil Conservation Service in August 1961 and moved to Ness City. After a short time in Ness City, KS, he was transferred to Meade KS where he and his family lived for 37 years. He retired from the Conservation Service Oct. 5, 1985. He sold windows and siding for Home Steel Siding and started a guttering business. His wife died in 1997.

He married Dorothy (Rott) Zenger on Nov. 7, 1998 and moved to Cuba.

He was a life member of the American Legion. He was instrumental in establishing the Avenue of Flags in the Haddam cemetery.

He was preceded in

death by his parents; Roy and Hallie; wife Annemay; his brother, Robert (Bobby); and twin sister, Audrey.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy; son Lonnie (Pattie), daughter Kayleen and Ciell Miller, 14 grandchildren; 12 great grandchildren; 5 great-great grandchildren. two step sons, Nicholas (Jennifer) Zenger and Neil Zenger; a step-daughter, Nancy (Dan) Beneda.

His Celebration of Life was March 28 at the Methodist Church in Haddam, with Pastor Randy Jellison-Knock officiating. Burial in the Haddam Cemetery with Military Rites by the Fort Riley Army Honor Guard and members of the American Legion. Memorials to the church or Meadowlark Hospice.

Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, in charge of arrangements.

Larry R. Chapman

Larry "Chappy" Chapman was born on January 9, 1940 in Medford OR and died Sunday, August 9, 2015 in Belleville, at the age of 75.

He attended Golden Ridge School and Wakefield Rural High School before graduating from Minneapolis High School in 1958. He was drafted into the Army in 1963, and was stationed in Germany.

He owned the International Harvester Dealership in Belleville for several years. He was later employed by Alsop's Sand Company.

He was a member of the ISIS Shriners, the Fraternal Order of the Eagles (Past President), and the American Legion.

He was preceded in death by his father, Floyd Elmer Chapman.

He is survived by his children, Doug (Jane) Chapman of Goffstown NH, Jenny (Victor) Cerda of Boise ID; one grandson; his siblings, Marcile Chapman of Manhattan, Sandra (Charles) Bieker of Wakefield, Marilyn (Gilbert) McClure of Kansas City, John (Debbie) Chapman of Wakefield, and his mother, Lila Ruth Chapman, of Clay Center.

In lieu of flowers, he requested donations be made to the Tammy Walker Cancer Center at Salina Regional Health Center, where he was treated during his battle with cancer. Please contact (785) 452-4850 or visit their website at: http://www.srhc.com/clinical_services/tammy_walker_cancer_center.php. His wish was for his body to be donated for study at KU Medical Center.

A celebration of his life will be held Saturday,

August 15, 4-7 pm, Belleville Country Club, 2208 Country Club Drive, Belleville, KS. He will be laid to rest at Highland Cemetery in Wakefield, at a future time.

Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, Kansas assisted the family with arrangements.

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Roger D. Cornett Sr.

Roger D. Cornett Sr. was born on August 1, 1952 in Poplar Bluff MO.

He attended Poplar Bluff schools.

He worked in Poplar Bluff and the St. Louis area, and later enlisted in the Army. After the military he moved to St. Louis where he worked at St. Johns Mercy

Medical Center. In 1981 he moved to Washington to be closer to family.

He later moved to Illinois and lived there until April 1997 when he and his wife, Velma moved to Belleville.

He is preceded in death by his father Delbert E. Cornett, mother Amy Alice Wallace, step father Jessie Coy, three brothers Delbert Lee Cornett, Lonnie O. Cornett, and Freddie Joe Cornett, daughter Michelle Dawn Cornett, son-in-law Clint Owens.

He is survived by his wife Velma Marie Cornett of Belleville, brother John D. Cornett, six children: James Cornett, Rodger D. Cornett Jr., Todd Woodward, Connie Woodward, Ronnie Woodward, and Eric Woodward, 13 grandchildren, five great grandchildren.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, August 21, at Tibbetts-Fischer Chapel in Belleville. Interment will follow at Belleville City Cemetery.

Visitation will be held from 1 pm to 8 pm Thursday, August 20, 2015 at Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home. Family will greet friends from 6:00pm to 8:00pm.

Memorials to the family. Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, Kansas is handling these arrangements.

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Charles Cornett

Charles Dale Cornett, son of Clarence and Jane (West) Cornett was born March 11, 1930 on the west homestead farm south of Rydal and died Wednesday, October 21, 2015 at Republic County Long Term Care in Belleville, at the age of 85 years.

He attended Poplar Grove #84.

On April 4, 1949 he was united in marriage to Freta Blackburn and they started their lives together on his father's farm south of Rydal. They had three children Melvern, Mary, and Gail.

They lived on the same farm for 53 years her death June 14, 2001. He moved into Belleville in 2002. On August 27, 2005 he married Felicitas Ramona Taylor.

He was a member of Central Christian Church of Belleville, where he served as deacon. He played guitar at nursing homes, was on the committee to help build the Republic County 4-H building at the fairgrounds,

and drove school bus for USD 427 for 14 years. He served on the Poplar Grove School Board and volunteered at the Republic County Historical Museum. He also served on the committee to help build the Rural Water District #2.

He was preceded in death by his parents, wife Freta, brothers Francis, Lloyd, and Glen Cornett.

He is survived by his wife Ramona of their home; children Melvern (Carolyn) of Belleville, Mary (Kirk) Hoffman of Olathe KS; Gail of Scandia, and Ramona's daughter Linda (Wes) Wendt, Belleville; 11 grandchildren; seven great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Saturday, October 24, at the Central Christian Church in Belleville, with Pastor Mark Imel officiating. Burial was in the Belleville City Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the church or American Cancer Association. Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home assisted with arrangements.

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Kaylene Sothers Clark

Kaylene Sothers Clark, 56, of Courtland, died at her home Tuesday, November 17, 2015. She was born to Ralph "Ole" and Beverly Sothers on October 9, 1959 in Concordia.



She graduated from Courtland High School in 1977 and went on to run track for two years at Cloud County Community College, graduating in 1979. She attended Kansas State University where she received her bachelor's degree in physical education in 1982.

She married Jack Clark, on September 5, 1982 and they recently

celebrated their 33rd anniversary. They have four children: Wesley, Thayne, Tyler, and Kayce.

She started working at the Courtland swimming pool in 1977 and was a lifeguard, swimming instructor and manager. She began her coaching career at Pike Valley High School in 1985 where she coached for two years. She began teaching and resumed coaching in 1990 at Courtland Elementary/Junior High and continued until 2013. Over the years she taught Life Skills and P.E. in addition to coaching volleyball, basketball, and track, pep club sponsor, cheerleading sponsor, as well as teaching Wednesday school at church.

She involved in Clark Farms' livestock and farming operations, and was a part owner and bookkeeper at C&W Farm Supply. She was a lifelong member of the Courtland United Methodist Church.

She was preceded in death by her father Ralph "Ole" Sothers and father-in-law Ray Clark.

Survivors include her husband Jack Clark of Courtland, sons Wesley Clark and wife Cortney, Thayne Clark and wife

Lacey and Tyler Clark all of Courtland, daughter Kayce Clark and Blake Mayer of Manhattan, and she was a second mother to Michael Loring and wife Leah of Concordia, and Shalynn Loring of Scandia; two granddaughters; her mother Beverly Sothers of Courtland, brother Jeff Sothers and wife Brenda of Scandia, sister Karen Sothers of San Diego CA; mother-in-law Donna Clark of Superior.

Celebration of life was held on Saturday, November 21, at the Pike Valley Elementary & Junior High School in Courtland, with Alessandro Sanford officiating. Private family burial to be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers a memorial has been established and may be given in care of the family.

Condolences may be sent to Megrue-Price Funeral Home, 750 N Commercial, Superior, Nebraska 68978 or in care of www.pricefuneralhomes.com. Megrue-Price Funeral Home of Superior, Nebraska was in charge of the arrangements.

Sherry Dow

Sherry I (Crawford) Dow, Sapulpa OK, passed peacefully on February 17, 2015. She was born July 12, 1946 to Glenn and Marie Crawford (both deceased), as a set of twins (brother Larry Crawford, deceased.) Attending Chapman High School, 1964. She had owned and operated Sherry's Ceramics. Joined in marriage to

Jimmy Dow, August 23, 1964, this 50 year union produced two children Angie (Wayne) Telford and Jimmy Dow Jr.

Sherry is survived by her family including two grandchildren Melissa and Christopher, beloved sister Linda (Chuck) Beltscher, four aunts, two nephews, one niece, cherished cousins and trusted friend and fellow quilter Shirley Jefferson.

Sherry was an active member of The American Legion and frequently made quilts for fundraisers.

Funeral services will be held 2 p.m. Saturday at Danner Funeral Home in Abilene KS with Pastor Jason Kohler officiating. The family invites all friends and relatives to join them at a coffee and dessert reception at the First Christian Church, 612 N Buckeye, immediately following the service. The family will receive friends from 1 p.m. until service time Saturday at the Danner Funeral Home.

The family requests memorials in her memory be made to the Bethel Cemetery c/o The Glenn Crawford Flag Fund. They may be sent in care of Jared Hoover, 1569 2800 AV, Abilene KS 67410 or left at the Danner Funeral Home.

Condolences: <http://dannerfuneralhome.net/>

Mary Ann Diamond

Mary Ann (Rossmiller) Diamond, daughter of Arthur F. Rossmiller and Edna R. (Rietz) Rossmiller was born January 22, 1945 at Superior NE and died on April 5, 2015 at Omaha,

Nebraska at the age of 70.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Arthur and Edna Rossmiller, one son, Chad Nunez.

She is survived by one daughter, Tammy (Bjorn Netsell) Morgan of La Vista NE; one son, Brian (Katie) Diamond of Blair NE; two granddaughters; one brother, Roland (Kay) Rossmiller, two sisters, Nancy (Steve) Thompson, Jolene (Jerry Warren) Briscoe.

Graveside services were April 11, St. John Lutheran Cemetery, Chester NE conducted by, Pastor Christopher Gerdes. Memorials to St Jude Childrens Research Hospital.

Online condolences and information at www.bachelor-surber.com. Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Chester NE in charge of arrangements.

Linda Douglas

Linda Lou Douglas, 64, of Houston TX passed away on April 14, 2015.

She was born on November 3, 1950 in Superior, Nebraska, to parents, Lenard and

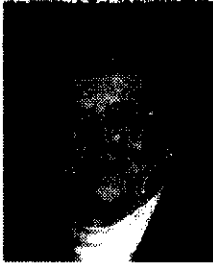
Luella Eitzmann of Byron, Nebraska. Linda worked as a Registered Nurse throughout her life and brought joy to all who knew her. She will be dearly missed.

Linda is survived by her husband, David Douglas; daughter, Chelsea Douglas both of Houston, Texas; parents Lenard and Luella Eitzmann; brother Harlan (Linda Marie); sister, Phyllis Habbart (Frank); and numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives and a host of friends.

In honor of Linda's life a memorial service was held at 5 p.m., Monday, April 20, 2015, at Pa H. Foley & Company Funeral Home, of Houston, with a reception that followed the service at 6 p.m.

Lucille Marie (Lou) Doubek

Lucille Marie (Lou) Doubek, 86, a resident of Belleville, Kansas, died Wednesday, April 8, 2015 at the Long Term Care Center. She was born April 4, 1929 in rural Coats, Kansas to Fritz and Margaret (Lang) Lenkner.



She was baptized at St. Paul's Lutheran Church of Natoma, Kansas on June 2, 1929 and was confirmed in the same church on April 6, 1941.

Lou attended a one-room schoolhouse for 8 grade, and then was graduated from Coats Rural High School in 1947, it was there she met and eventually

married the love of her life Herbert Dale Doubek.

Lou was graduated from Kansas State University in 1951 with a degree in Home Economics Education. She started her teaching career in Overbrook, Kansas and continued at Shawnee Mission North while Herbert attended the Kansas University Medical Center.

Herbert and Lou were married August 19, 1951 at Our Saviors Lutheran Church in Pratt, Kansas. To this union three children were born: Diane Denise, Debra Lynn, and Douglas Brent. They moved to Belleville, Kansas in 1957 where they made their lifelong home.

Lou was a dedicated home economics teacher, loving mother and housewife. She was active in the community and in the Lutheran Church. Her hobbies included gardening, playing golf and cooking. She was an avid supporter of the KSU Wildcats.

Lou will be forever remembered by her husband Dr. Herbert Dale Doubek, Belleville; daughters Diane (Jim) Reed, Kackley, Kansas and Dr. Debra (Tom) Phillips, Manhattan, Kansas; son Douglas (Sarah) Doubek, Topeka, Kansas; brother Edwin Lenkner, Coats, Kansas; eight grandchildren; six great grandchildren; beloved nieces, nephews and cousins. She was preceded in death by her parents; sister Anita Burrows; and infant brother Le George Lenkner.

Funeral services were held Saturday, April 11, 2015 at the American Lutheran Church in Belleville with Mr. Al Urich, PMA officiating with interment in the Belleville City Cemetery. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to the American Lutheran Church or Republic County Hospital. Arrangements were under the direction of Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, Kansas.

Shenoa D. Dutton

Shenoa D. Dutton, 39, of Pekin IL passed away at 3:02 PM on Friday, April 17, 2015 at OSF Saint Francis Medical Center in Peoria.

She was born April 30, 1975, in Great Bend, KS, to Lloyd and Dusty Clark.



Shenoa married Cheyenne Dutton on February 5, 2000, out at sea near Clearwater, FL, he survives.

Shenoa is also survived by her mother Dusty Clark, and brothers, Shawn, Shad, and Shane Clark, all of Concordia, KS, her brother-in-law, Eric Dutton, and his children, Kade and Michelle. Shenoa was like a mother to Kade and Michelle and like a sister to Eric.

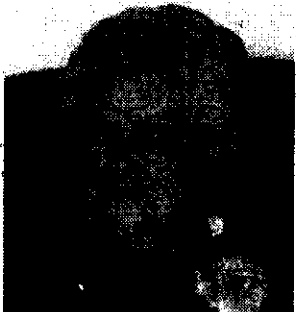
She also leaves behind her best friend, Kim Reeves, who she shared an antique booth together and loved garage sailing. Shenoa will be remembered as a loving and caring person.

She was preceded in death by her father.

Cremation rites have been accorded.

Online condolences may be left for the family at www.thewiltonmortuary.com.

Edna Dicke



Edna Dorothy Lillian Larson Dicke, 103, of Topeka, passed away on Tuesday, May 12, 2015, at McCrite Plaza in Topeka. She was born January 11, 1912, in Scandia, Kansas, the fourth daughter of Martin August and Hannah Peterson Larson. Edna graduated from Courtland High School in 1930. She moved to Topeka in 1930 where she met her husband, Ernest Frederick Dicke. She was a member successively of St. John's Lutheran Church in Topeka, Ada Lutheran Church in Courtland, Kansas, and Hope Lutheran Church in Topeka.

Edna was employed at Santa Fe Hospital for over twenty years prior to retiring in 1977. She was granted an honorable membership to the Centenarian Society of Kansas from Governor Brownback. Edna married Ernest Frederick Dicke on August 12, 1934, in Courtland, Kansas. She and her husband owned and operated Clover Farm Grocery Store in Courtland.

Ernest preceded her in death on August 19, 1949. She was also preceded in death by five sisters.

Survivors include three children, Marcia Wade of Topeka, Lowell Dicke of La Jolla, California, Karen (Michael) Noland of Doylestown, Pennsylvania; four grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and two sisters, Delores Long of Garden City, Kansas, and Winifred Krueger of Topeka.

Services were held Saturday, May 16, 2015, at Hope Lutheran Church where the family will receive friends one hour prior to service time. Graveside committal services followed at 2:30 p.m. in Ada Cemetery, Courtland, Kansas.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given to Hope Lutheran Church, 2636 SE Minnesota Ave., Topeka, KS 66605 or to Ada Lutheran Church, 442 Valley Rd., Courtland, KS 66939. Penwell-Gabel Mid Town Chapel is assisting the family.

Editor's Note

Edna was the oldest alumna of Courtland High School graduating in 1930 with a class of seventeen. She was also the oldest subscriber to the *Courtland Journal*.

Huetta Derowitsch

Huetta May Spafford Derowitsch was born April 2, 1932 on the farm home place in Rose Creek Township, Republic County, three miles west of Munden, and died May 11, 2015 in Salina at the age of 83 years, one month and nine days.

She was the daughter of Hugh Alfred Spafford and Lucy May McPeek Spafford. She received her education at Whitelock Rural District #90, Belleville Grade School and Junior High School graduating from Belleville High School in 1950. She attended Kansas State Teachers College at Emporia, KS to receive a Provisional Teaching Certificate in Elementary Education. She taught school at Excelsior Rural School District #66 and at Belleville East Elementary.

On November 25, 1951 she was united in marriage to Max Donald Derowitsch. To this union four children were born.

She held offices in EHU, HDU, FCE, UMW, District UMW, Republic County Council, and Ruth Circle. She was a member of the United Methodist Church. For decades she participated in Liberty Rose Creek 4-H Club as a community leader. She belonged to the Munden Weekly Bible Study, Living Life After Loss Group, Community Card Club, and the Derowitsch Birthday Coffee Club. She was a life member of the Mayflower Society as she is a descendant of John Howland and Elizabeth Tilley.

She was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, son Jeffrey Lynn Derowitsch; her grandparents Fitch Chipman Spafford, Christina Watson Spafford, Lewis Martin McPeek, Margret McElroy McPeek; brothers and sister's-in-law: Glen Eugene (Wilma) Spafford; Gail Dean (Peggy) Spafford.

She is survived by her daughters, Mona Jean

Derowitsch Svoboda and husband David E. Svoboda of Belleville, and Melinda Jo Derowitsch Hamilton and husband James C. Hamilton of Fort Collins, CO; son Jonathan Max Derowitsch of Garland, TX; four grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; 12 great grandchildren; three step-great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held May 18 at the First United Methodist Church, Belleville, with Pastor Emily Meckley officiating. Burial was in the Belleville City Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the church. Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home assisted with arrangements.

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Deidra Edwards

Deidra Rochelle Edwards, 58, Manhattan died Jan. 8, 2015. She was born Oct. 6, 1956 at Concordia to Melvin and Florene (Kopsa) Blecha.

Survivors: daughter Danielle (Michael Pagels), Manhattan; sister Darci (Reed) Campbell, El Dorado; brother Delton (Dana) Blecha, Salina; special friend Terry Kuchcinski.

Direct cremation services were chosen and inurnment services will be held at a later time. In lieu of flowers memorials to help with

funeral expenses may be made to the family C/O Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, PO Box 566, Belleville, Kansas 66935.

Online condolences at www.tibbettsfischerfuneralhome.com

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Kathy Ellis

Kathy J. Ellis, age 45, died Mon, Feb. 2, 2015 at her home near Norway, KS. She was born on Dec. 28, 1969 in Goodland KS to Gilbert D. and Patricia A. (McKinley) Stasser.

She is survived by her daughters, Keeley McMillan (Jerpd), Randall, Keyona Reed, Belleville and Camille Ellis, Scandia; sons, Junior Reed, Beatrice, NE and Harlen Reed, Belleville; fiancé, Mike Cashman, Norway; brother Larry Adkins, SD and six grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents and sisters, LeAnn Johnson.

The family selected cremation and memorial services will be at 11 a.m., Friday, Feb. 6, 2015 at the United Methodist Church, Jamestown, with Rev.

Randy Whitley officiating. The family will greet friends an hour prior to the service at the church. Friends may sign the register book from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Thursday at Chaput-Buoy Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials to the Kathy Ellis Children's Education Fund in care of the funeral home. For online condolences, please visit <http://www.chaputbuoy.com/>.

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Eleanor Esslinger

Eleanor Elaine Esslinger was born on Feb. 1, 1935 at Hoxie KS, the sixth of 15 children born to Clarence and Lea (Allen) Foster and died Saturday, February 7, 2015 at the Republic County Hospital in Belleville, at the age of 80 years.

She graduated from Lenora Rural High School in 1952 and graduated from Fort Hays State University Department of Nursing in 1955 in the first graduating class.

She moved to Belleville in 1959. She married Richard Esslinger on December 31, 1959 in Norton KS. The couple later divorced. He died December 13, 2003.

She attended the Belleville Christian Fellowship.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brothers: Lyle, Lawrence, Floyd and Howard Foster and sisters: Helen Bivens and Dorothy Vaughn.

She is survived by her son Timothy Esslinger, Belleville, and daughter Sharon Jante, Powhattan, KS; four grandchildren, nine great grandchildren, two great, great grandchildren; brothers: Robert of Plainville, KS, Gordon of Toutle, WA, Vernon of Topeka, KS and Clarence of Paola, KS; sisters: Thelma Beagley of Kansas City, MO, Erma Allison of Cedar Rapids, IA, Marilyn Miles of Warren, OR and Gloria Schmitt of Kansas City, MO.

Memorial services will be held 2 p.m. Saturday, February 14, 2015 at the chapel of Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville. Inurnment in the Belleville City Cemetery. Memorials to

Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, Kansas

assisted with arrangements.

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Dolores. Dee" Erickson

Dolores M. "Dee" Erickson, daughter of Roy E. Williams and Claribel (Ewing) Williams, was born December 12, 1940, at Chicago, Illinois, and passed away on April 10, 2015 at Scandia, Kansas, at the age of seventy-four years, three months, and twenty-eight days.



Dee's father worked for the Rock Island Railroad and she grew up in Fairbury, Nebraska, and later lived in Goodland, Kansas, where she graduated from Goodland High School. She then attended Fort Hays State University where she received a Bachelor of Science degree in English.

Dee then began her teaching career of 38 years at Republic, Kansas, and later Skyline High School, Pratt, Kansas. She then returned to the area where she taught at Jamestown and Courtland/Scandia school districts. She retired from the Pike Valley School District as a Librarian and 6th Grade English Teacher.

On August 23, 1969, she was united in marriage to James L. Erickson and to this union was born: Tim and Joy. The couple made their home in Scandia, Kansas, and he survives.

Dee was a member of the United Methodist Church, Scandia, Kansas, and the U.M.W. where she was active for many years. She was a volunteer at the Scandia Museum and also was the City Librarian, Courtland, Kansas.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Roy and Claribel Williams, two brothers, Robert and Richard Williams, and a brother-in-law, Erick Erickson.

Dee is survived by her husband, James L. "Jim" Erickson of Scandia, Kansas; one son, Tim W. (Jennifer) Erickson of Coldwater, Kansas; one daughter, Joy A. Erickson of Salina, Kansas, and friend Harvey Blackwood of Belleville, Kansas; three grandchildren, Jacob, Andrew, and Nicholas; other relatives, and many friends.

Funeral services were held April 15, 2015, at the United Methodist Church, Scandia, Kansas, with Pastor Kathy Acillo, officiating.

Interment will be at the Riverview Cemetery, Scandia, Kansas.

Memorials in lieu of flowers are suggested to United Methodist Church or Solomon Valley Hospice.

Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Scandia, Kansas, was in charge of the arrangements.

Deidra (Blecha) Edwards

An informal celebration of life for Deidra (Blecha) Edwards will be held Saturday, May 30 beginning at the Kopsa Cemetery, Cuba KS at 11 a.m. followed by lunch at the American Legion Hall in Cuba.

She died January 8, 2015 in Manhattan.

For directions or more information contact Delton or Dana Blecha at 785-577-5995 or by email at danablecha@yahoo.com.

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Otie Erickson

Otie Genevieve Cole, daughter of Ralph B. and Mae (Cramer) Cole, was born September 5, 1923, in Washington, Kansas. She passed from this life Sunday, August 23, 2015, while a resident of Republic County Hospital Long Term Care at the age of 91 years.

Otie graduated from Washington High School, then Kansas State University in 1945 with a Bachelor's degree in Education.

She taught Home Economics at Randolph High School, Reed Custer Township High School, Braidwood, Illinois, Courtland High School, and Notre Dame Catholic High School, Concordia, Kansas. She retired after 17 years of teaching to be at home with her children and to help Norman on the farm. When the children were in school, she returned to the work force. She worked 17 years at Scott Specialties in Belleville retiring in 1993. Otie was united in marriage to Norman F. Erickson on July 31, 1955. In 1963, they adopted two children, brother and sister, Ronald Frank and Elizabeth Ann.

Never one to be idle, Otie helped with Story Hour at the Courtland Library and served on the board. She was a member of the Kansas Teachers Association, Retired Teachers of Republic County, Republic County Council on Aging, Republic County Extension Homemakers Unit, Swinging Swedes Square Dancing Club, Courtland Crusaders, Knit Wits Club, 4-H leader, Craft Camp Steering committee, and taught summer crafts in Salina for many years. She was a 50-year member of O.E.S. Chapters 175 and 115 of Washington and Belleville. She held dual membership until the Washington Chapter closed.

She was an active member of the Courtland Methodist Church and the UMW and served as President for several years.

Otie was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Norman, of 55 years in 2009; brothers Ralph Jr. and James; and sister-in-law Billie M. Cole.

She will be forever remembered by her son, Ronald Erickson and wife, Jane, Courtland, Kansas, and daughter, Elizabeth Ann Erickson, Concordia, Kansas; grandchildren, Josh Erickson, Amanda Mayfield, Shawn Walbridge and Aimie Walbridge; sister-in-law Doris Cole; nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Memorial services will be held 11:00 A.M. Friday, August 28, 2015, at the United Methodist Church, Courtland, Kansas, with Pastor Kathy Aeillo officiating. Otie requested cremation services and a family inurnment service will be at a later date. Memorials are requested to the Methodist Church Wednesday School or Youthville Foster Care. Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, Kansas, assisted the Erickson family with these arrangements.

George Eberly



George Ernest Eberly, the son of David E. and Alma (Florea) Eberly, was born in Republic on May 4, 1944 and died in Aurora NE on September 27, 2015, at the age of 71.

He grew up in Kansas graduating in 1962 from Republic High School. He attended transmission school in Denver, CO before returning to Kansas to farm. He owned and operated George's Champlin Gas Station for several years. In 1968, he started driving a truck.

He was united in marriage to Patricia Wilson on September 5, 1970 at Aurora. They began their married life in Red Cloud NE and moved to Aurora in November 1971.

In 1974, he purchased his first truck and started G & P Trucking. The name was changed to G E Eberly & Sons, when his sons were born. He

drove approximately five million miles over his trucking career. He created a fundraiser for the Lions Club, delivering peaches across the state of Nebraska.

He was a member of the Aurora United Methodist Church, the Aurora Lions Club and the Aurora Optimist Club.

He was preceded in death by his parents and an infant sister.

Survivors are his wife, Pat of Aurora; three children, Joyann (Montie) Derby of Sonoma, California, George (Kim) Eberly of Aurora and John (Jamie) Eberly of Auburn; six grandchildren; two sisters, Arlene (Lloyd) Olson of Beatrice and Nadine (Preston) Williams of Topeka.

Funeral services were held September 30 at the United Methodist Church in Aurora, Pastors Ron Harris and Karla Sheffy officiating. Interment in the Aurora Cemetery. Memorials to the Aurora Lions Club or the Aurora Optimist Club. Condolences may be e-mailed to the family through the mortuary website at www.higbymortuary.com.

Lenard Eitzmann

Lenard Henry Albert Eitzmann, one of five children, was born May 24, 1922 to Carl and Dora (Mueller) Eitzmann on the family farm near Hardy, NE and died at to Parkview Haven, Deshler, NE October 4, 2015 at the age of 93 years.



He was baptized June 4, 1922 by Pastor C.W. Seybold and he was confirmed December 6, 1936 by Pastor L. Hoeffler at St. Peters Lutheran Church, rural Byron, NE.

He attended the rural schools District 102 (Triumph) and District 77 (Prairie Dell) Kansas. As a young man, he went along to North Dakota to help with harvest and to Iowa to help pick corn during the years of Depression.

He was engaged in farming when he married Luella (Aden) on June 23, 1946 at St. John Lutheran Church (Stone) near Auburn NE.

He served on the church council and was a member of Byron Senior Citizens Club along with becoming

a member of Spring Creek Square Dance Club in the 1980s.

The couple moved to Byron in 1974.

He was preceded in death by his parents and an infant brother, Elmer, brothers, Oscar and Arthur; his daughter, Linda Lou Douglas.

He is survived by his wife, Luella; his children, Harlan (Linda Marie) Eitzmann of Hardy, NE, son-in-law, David Douglas of Houston, TX, and Phyllis (Frank) Habbart of Salina, KS; five grandchildren, six great grandchildren; his sister Elsa Michael of Auburn, NE, and sister-in-law, Hilda Eitzmann of Lincoln, NE, Erma Brewer and Velma Morton both of Auburn, NE.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m., Saturday, October 10, 2015 at St. Peters Lutheran Church, rural Byron, NE with Pastor Breen Sipes, officiating. Interment at St. Peters Lutheran Cemetery. Visitation from 1 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Thursday and from 9 a.m. until 9 p.m. on Friday at the Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, Memorials to the Parkview Haven Nursing Home. Online condolences at www.bachelor-surber.com

Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, in charge of the arrangements.

Janice Lucile Elstrom

Janice Lucile Elstrom, age 73, was welcomed into heaven on December 2, 2015, at the Nicol Home in Glasco, Kansas. She was born May 1, 1942, in Arkansas City, Kansas, to Ivan Albert and Glenna Lucile (Reed) Keown.

On June 13, 1964, she married Allan C. Elstrom at the Christian Church in Arkansas City, Kansas. They were privileged to celebrate 44 years of married life together, and have three children: John, Steve and Kristi. Allan preceded her in death on October 30, 2008.

Janice was a 1960 graduate of Arkansas City High School, a Cowley County Community College graduate and she received her Bachelor of Science degree in Home Economics from Kansas State University. She taught pre-school in the Salina area and was a Homemaker.

She was a member of the Ottawa Church of the Nazarene, but previously and in recent years attended Concordia Wesleyan Church.

She is survived by her two sons, Steve Elstrom (April), Concordia; John Elstrom (Bethany), Dover, Delaware; a daughter, Kristi Hubert (Mike), Columbia, Missouri; 11 grandchildren, Alayna, Rebecca, Caroline, Josiah, Mathias, Linnea, Gideon, Verity and Benjamin Elstrom, Alexis and Abygael Hubert; and a sister, Gwen Edmiston, Overland Park, Kansas.

She was also preceded in death by her parents, Ivan and Lucile Keown, husband, Allen, on October 30, 2008, and a sister, Karen Boyer.

Her husband, Allen, was a Vo-Ag teacher at Courtland High School.

Funeral services were held 2 p.m., Saturday, December 5, 2015, at the Concordia Wesleyan Church with the Rev. David Redmond officiating.

Her husband was a former Vo-Ag teacher in Courtland High School and Scandia.

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Norma Jean Feigley

Norma Jean Feigley, 82, of Enterprise, passed away on Thursday, January 22, 2015. She was born June 12, 1932 in Courtland, Kansas, the daughter of Lloyd and Marguerite (Carlson) Lindberg.

She was a graduate of Courtland High School in 1950 and Brown Mackie Business College in 1951. She worked at KP&L in Salina, Ersham's Manufacturing in Enterprise and most notably as a farm wife for over 60 years where she hauled thousands of bushels of grain to the elevator. She devoted many years of service to the Enterprise Livewires as their 4-H Club sewing leader. Her passion was for her children and grandchildren and she really enjoyed attending their 4-H and sporting events.

She was married to Robert Feigley on July 18, 1954, in Courtland, Kansas.

Survivors include: her husband of 60 years, Robert of Enterprise; son Gary Feigley (Amy) of Abilene; daughters Jean Ann Aker (Dan) of Abilene, and Jolene Kurtz (Devin) of Salina; sister Idamay Sothers of Courtland; grandchildren Ben Aker of Abilene, Marie Aker of Abilene, Joe Aker of Hays, Brad Kurtz (Paula) of Dallas, Texas, Jared Kurtz of Manhattan, and Jill Kurtz of Manhattan; great-grandson Logan Kurtz of Dallas, Texas.

Funeral was Monday, January 26, at 2 p.m. at the Martin-Becker-Carlson Funeral Home, Abilene. Norma's final resting place will be in the Abilene Cemetery.

Gerald L. Fisher

Gerald Lee Fisher, son of Ernest and Bessie (Barnett) Fisher was born near Republic County, September 30, 1935 and died Friday, January 16, 2015 at the Republic County Hospital, Belleville, at the age of 79 years.

He graduated from Cuba High school in 1953 and McPherson College in 1958.

He enlisted in the Army National Guard and served for six years. While in the Guard, he worked at the Haddam Elevator and then accepted a job from the Narka School Board and taught and coached for two years until he was called to active duty in the Army. He was stationed at El Paso, TX. Upon returning from his tour of duty, he began his teaching career in Cuba, where he taught for 32 years.

He married Ramona Smith on December 21, 1962 and to this union a daughter Brenda and son Troy were born.

He was a member of the Cuba Presbyterian church and American Legion Post #345.

He was preceded in death by his parents, sister Norma (Frank) Hostinsky.

He is survived by his wife Ramona of their home; daughter Brenda (Fisher) Cooper, Carbondale, KS; son Troy Fisher, Wamego; six grandchildren; one great grandson.

Funeral services were held January 20 at the Cuba Presbyterian Church with burial in the National Bohemian Cemetery Dist. 13.. Military Honors by American Legion Post No. 345 of Cuba. Memorials to the Gerald L. Fisher Memorial.

Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, Kansas assisted with arrangements

Brad S. Freed

Brad S. Freed, the son of Donald J. Freed and Georgine (Johnson) Freed, was born February 17, 1953 at Belleville, and died February 4, 2015 at Republic County Hospital, Belleville, at the age of 61 years, 10 months, and 18 days.

He grew up in Scandia, graduating from Scandia Rural High School. He attended Ft. Hays State University, Hays, KS and the School of Aviation at Greeley, CO, where he graduated and obtained his pilot's license. He also trained in Wichita, and received his flight instructor license. He farmed for several years along with flight instruction and in recent years had worked at Reinke Mfg in Deshler and Nutra Shield in Courtland, KS.

On August 23, 1980, he was united in marriage to Danita Strait and to this union was born Kajsa and Kale.

He was a member of the American Legion of Scandia.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

He is survived by one daughter Kajsa (Tommy) Sharples of Concordia; one son, Kale Freed of Scandia; Danita Freed, Scandia; one granddaughter; two brothers, Paul (Dianne) Osborn and Jim Osborn both of Wichita; one sister, Kristine Ryan of Bradenton, FL.

Cremation was selected

and memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 12, at the Bachelor-Surber Memorial Chapel, Belleville, KS with Pastor Mark Imel, officiating. Inurnment will be at the Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, rural Courtland. Friends may call to sign the register book from 1 p.m. until 5 p.m. on Wednesday, and from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Thursday at the funeral home. Memorials are suggested to family choice. Online condolences and information at www.bachelor-surber.com

Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, KS is in charge of the arrangements.

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Carl Frint

Carl Ellis Frint, 72 of Belleville, died Tuesday, June 16, 2015 at the Republic County Hospital in Belleville. He was born September 27, 1942 in Belleville to Kenneth and Helen (Morehead) Frint.

He graduated from Belleville High School with the Class of 1960. After graduating he attended an electronics vocational school in Denver CO for two years. He returned to Belleville and was employed at Jim's OK Tire. Following Jim Stroh's death, he partnered with Jim's wife L. (Mathiesen) and Bob Blazel and the business became OK Tire. He was involved in this business for a total of 42 years before he retired.

On April 7, 1973 he married to Deanna L. Hansen in Concordia and they had one son Jeff.

He is survived by his wife Deanna of their home; son Jeff and wife Nancy and two step granddaughters, all of Abilene, KS; sisters Janet Price and Diane Rhine and

brother Gary and wife Pegg of Belleville; mother-in-law Lucille Blecha, Concordia;

Funeral services were held Saturday, June 20 at Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville. Burial was in the Belleville City Cemetery. Memorials to the Republic County Hospital or the Central Christian Church of Belleville.

Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville in charge of arrangements.

Edward H. Forsberg

Edward Harvey Forsberg, son of John E. Forsberg and Edith (Sandell) Forsberg was born May 24, 1918, at rural Scandia, Kansas and passed away on February 19, 2015, at Belleville, Kansas, at the age of ninety-six years, eight months and twenty-eight days.

He graduated from Scandia High School in 1936. He was united in marriage to Lenna Mae Fischer on May 12, 1944, and to this union three children were born, Janice, Kenneth, Denise.

He farmed all of his life in Republic County. He sold DeKalb seed, where he was top salesman in the state four times. He was one of the biggest supporters of school sports and enjoyed officiating.

Edward was a member of the Amana Lutheran Church, Scandia, Ks, Masonic Lodge, Lions Club, served on the Scandia School Board, Riverview Cemetery Board, Bostwick Irrigation Board.

He was preceded in death by his parents, John and Edith Forsberg, one sister, Helen Baker, one niece, Susan Baker.

He is survived by his wife, Lenna Mae Forsberg of Scandia, Kansas., one son, Kenneth (Tracy) Forsberg of McPherson, Kansas., two daughters, Janice (Paul) Albertson of Wichita, Kansas., Denise Strait of Scandia, Kansas., nieces and nephews, other relatives and many friends.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, February 24, 2015, at the Amana Lutheran Church, conducted by Pastor Thomas Kamprath.

Interment was in Riverview Cemetery, Scandia, Kansas.

Memorials may be given to Amana Lutheran Church, Scandia, Kansas.

Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Scandia, Kansas was in charge of arrangements.

R. Robert "Bob" Feasel

R. Robert "Bob" Feasel, 87, died Dec, 16, 2014 in Ontario, OR. He was born May 14, 1927, in Concordia, KS to J.

Ralph and Alene (Sanders) Feasel.

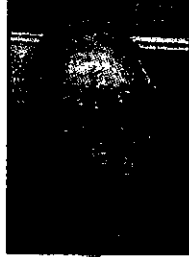
He attended Concordia and Belleville, KS public schools and joined the U.S. Navy before high school graduation, serving during WW2.

He was united in marriage to Mary Lou Rightmeier in Belleville, on August 25, 1948 and they had two sons, Gary Alan and L. Mark Feasel.

He was a graduate of Fort Hays State Teachers College, Hays, KS. He taught and coached at the Belleville Junior High and High School. He moved to Ontario, OR in 1957 and taught and coached at the high school, was vice-principal at the middle school and was principal at Aiken Elementary School before retiring.

He was a member of the Presbyterian church in Ontario for over 50 years.

He is survived by his wife of 66 years, Mary Lou, Ontario, OR, sons Gary of Boise, ID and Mark (Cindy) of Forks, WA; three grandchildren, two great-grandchildren; his brother, Gary L. (Marilyn) of LaGrande, OR, sisters Marge (Bert) Nelson, Betty (Bernie) Mohr both of Belleville, KS, Dian (Glen) Haldorson of Salina, KS and



Norma (Delbert) Tunks of Great Bend.

He was preceded in death by his parents, J. Ralph, Alene and Beulah Feasel.

Cremation was chosen with a celebration of his life to be held at a later date. Lienkaemper Chapel in charge of arrangements.

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Edward H. Forsberg

Edward Harvey Forsberg son of John E. Forsberg and Edith (Sandell) Forsberg was born May 24, 1918 at rural Scandia KS, and died on February 19, 2015 at Belleville, at the age of 96 years, eight months and 28 days.

He graduated from Scandia High School in 1936. He was united in marriage to Lenna Mae Fischer on May 12, 1944 and to this union three children were born, Janice, Kenneth, Denise.

He farmed all of his life in Republic County. He sold Dekalb seed, where he was top salesman in the state four times. He officiated sports.

He was a member of the Amana Lutheran Church, Scandia, Masonic Lodge, Lions Club; served on the Scandia school board, Riverview Cemetery board, Bostwick Irrigation board.

He was preceded in death by his parents, John and Edith Forsberg, one sister, Helen Baker.

He is survived by his wife, Lenna Mae Forsberg of Scandia; , one son, Kenneth (Tracy) Forsberg of McPherson, KS., two daughters, Janice (Paul) Albertson of Wichita, Denis Strait of Scandia.

Funeral service was held February 24, Amana Lutheran Church, conducted by, Pastor Thomas Kamprath. Interment in Riverview Cemetery, Scandia. Memorials to Amana Lutheran Church.

Online condolences and information at www.bachelor-surber.com. Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Scandia, KS. in charge of arrangements.

Gene Fischer

Ivan "Gene" Fischer, son of Harry F. and Susie E. (Suey) Fischer, was born on July 28, 1929 at the family farm, in Kansas, near Hardy NE, and died March 10, 2015 at the Belleville Health Care Center, Belleville, at the age of 85 years, seven months, 12 days.

He graduated eighth grade at Prairie Dell rural grade school located one mile south of the family farm.

He was employed at the lumber yard, owned by W.G. Reinke, in Byron NE from 1944 to 1949.

He was united in marriage to Dorothy M. Eitzmann on May 1, 1949 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Byron. To this union, three daughters were born.

The couple moved to the farm, originally owned by her parents, one mile south of Byron, in Kansas, in 1951, where he began his lifelong career as farmer/stockman.

He became a member of

St. Paul's Lutheran Church in 1949, and served as a deacon of the church for many years.

He was preceded in death by his parents Harry and Susie Fischer; infant daughter Jackie Lynn Fischer; and brother Loyd Fischer.

He is survived by Dorothy, his wife of 65 years; his children, Brenda and Ray Danielson, Belleville, Tamie and Vern Uri, Golden CO, Sandra Bostwick, Belleville; and one grandson; his sister Lenna Mae (Mrs. Edward) Forsberg, Scandia and brother Dale L. and Marylee Fischer, Doniphan NE.

Funeral services were held March 13, 2015 at Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, with Pastor Breen Marie Sipes officiating. Burial in St. Paul's Lutheran Church Cemetery, Byron. Memorials to the Belleville Health Care Center, Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, in charge of arrangements.

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Evelyn Georgia Flaska was born February 17, 192 on a farm near Munden, the daughter of Oscar and Mary (Chopp) Homolac, and died Saturday, July 4, 2015 at her home at Marquis Place in

Concordia. She was 89.

After graduating from Munden High School and Brown Mackie School of Business in Salina, she worked as a secretary in Frank G. Spurney's Law office in Belleville.

In 1947 she married Edward Flaska and they had one daughter JaNeane Karyl. The family moved from their farm near Narka, to Bloomington IN where he went to school on the GI Bill, and then on to Wichita where he was employed by Boeing and Cessna Aircraft.

She lived in Wichita for 58 years.

Primarily a homemaker, she was also an Avon Lady, a long-time volunteer at the church of the Magdalen and an accomplished pianist.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband Edward, daughter JaNeane, brother Fred Homolac, and sisters Beatrice Homolac and Lillian Derowitsch.

She is survived by her brother Charles Homolac, Belleville, niece Pat (Roger) Benyshek, Littleton, CO, nephew Jim (Elaine) Derowitsch, GoldBar, WA.

Recitation of the Rosary was held Wednesday, July 8, at Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, Kansas with graveside service and interment following at St. George Catholic Cemetery rural Munden, with Deacon Steve Heiman officiating.

Adelia "Dee" (Hay) Falk

Adelia "Dee" (Hay) Falk, the daughter of Hamilton Lewis Eakins and Mabel (Burch) Eakins, was born April 19, 1937 at Concordia, and died April 18, 2015 at Salina Regional Health Center, Salina, KS at the age of 77 years, 11 months, and 29 days.

She was the youngest of five children. She attended and graduated from the Concordia School System.

She was united in marriage to Jerry Dean Hay and to this union three sons were born: Landy, Jody, and Scott. She later was united in marriage to Lee Ray Falk on June 8, 1996.

She was active in the Concordia VFW Auxiliary # 588, the Scandia American Legion Auxiliary, and the Women's Bowling Association. Among other jobs, she had been the Clerk of Republic County District Court and an employee at Scott's Specialties.

She was preceded in death by her brothers, Arthur and Tom Eakins,

son Jody Hay.

She is survived by her husband, Lee Ray Falk of the home, Belleville; two sons, Landy (Beverly) Hay of Belleville, and Scott Hay of Scandia; one sister, Bessie Payton of Concordia, and one brother John (Joyce) Eakins of Clyde, KS; eight grandchildren, three great grandchildren.

Cremation was selected and memorial services will be held at 10:30 a.m., Saturday, April 25, at the Ada Lutheran Church, rural Courtland, with Pastor Thomas Kamprath, officiating. Inurnment at the Ada Lutheran Church Cemetery.

Friends may sign the register book from 1 to 9 p.m. on Friday at the Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, where the family will greet friends from 6 to 8 p.m. on Friday. Memorials to family choice.

Online condolences at www.bachelor-surber.com. Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, KS is in charge of the arrangements.

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Wayne L. Fisher

Wayne L. Fisher, 96, died April 15, 2015, at Presbyterian Manor in Clay Center. He was born May 17, 1918, in Clay County, the son of E.D. and Carrie Belle (Hahn) Fisher.

He served in the US Army during World War II from August 1942 until 1945 alongside his twin brother, Blaine, in the North Africa and Italy campaigns. He was a member of the American Legion and VFW.

He farmed near Morganville for 60 years, moving to Clay Center in 2011.

He was preceded in death by brothers Milo and Blaine, and a sister, Ruby Day.

Survivors include a son, Greg, of Sabetha, and a daughter, Jayne Cady, of Houston, TX; three grandsons; a sister, Maxine Meyer, of Smith Center; companion, Marilyn Levendosky, of Belleville and daughter-in-law Lori Fisher of Topeka.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held at SS. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Clay Center April 20. Burial at Greenwood Cemetery in Clay Center. Memorials to the Knights of Columbus or Meadowlark Hospice in care of the Neill-Schwensen-Rook funeral home in Clay Center. Online condolences at www.nsrhf.com.

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Norma Frye

Norma Beth Frye was born May 1, 1926 on a farm southwest of Davenport, NE the daughter of William and Marie (Bower) Johnson. She died Tuesday September 15, 2015 at Thayer County Health Services in Hebron, NE at the age of 89 years after a battle with West Nile Virus.

Funeral services will be Friday September 18, 2015 at Grace Lutheran Church in Hebron, NE at 10 AM. Officiant will be Pastor Keith Brozek.

Visitation will be Thursday 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. with family greeting friends 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Kroll Funeral Home in Hebron, NE. Condolences may be left at www.krollfh.com. Memorial in lieu of flowers in care of the family. Burial will be in the Chester Cemetery. Kroll Funeral Home of Hebron is in charge of arrangements.

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Toni D. Forbes

Toni D. Forbes, daughter of Steven L. Forbes and Sharon E. Owen, was born May 24, 1972 at Menomonie, Wisconsin, and passed away on October 11, 2015, at rural Chester, Nebraska, at the age of forty-three years, four months and seventeen days.

Toni graduated from Elkhart High School, Elkhart, Kansas. She was an employee of Reinke Manufacturing Company, Deshler, Nebraska.

She was preceded in death by her step-father, Hal McGee.

She is survived by her mother, Sharon McGee, Belleville, Kansas; father, Steven L. Forbes, Missouri; one sister, Bobbi Lou Forbes, San Pedro, California; special friend, Justin Kuhlmann, Chester, Nebraska.

Cremation was chosen.

Memorial services were held Friday, October 16, 2015, Central Christian Church, Belleville, Kansas, conducted by, Pastor Mark Imel.

Private family Inurnment in Wisconsin at a later date.

Memorials may be given to Family Choice.

Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, Kansas, was in charge of arrangements.

Viscount "Trey" Francis III

Viscount A Francis III, aka Trey Francis 72, of Belleville, KS died October 31, 2015.



A memorial service will be held Friday November 6, 2015 at 2 p.m. St. Michael The Archangel Catholic

Parish 14251 Nall Ave Leawood, KS 66223.

He is survived by a daughter, Kimberly Enlow of Overland Park, and two brothers, Collin Francis and Sean Francis.

Trey was a veteran for the USAir Force and a 4th Degree Knight for the Knights of Columbus and a KU graduate. The family is accepting funeral donations in place of flowers.

Nebraskas #1 Fan will be greatly missed by everyone who knew and loved him.

Gloria Jean "Jeannie" Fees

Gloria Jean "Jeannie" Fees, 80, Concordia, died November 19, 2015 at the Sunset Nursing Home in Concordia. She was born on July 31, 1935 in Aurora to Paul A. and Viola L. (Mason) Collins.

She married Ted Carlton and they later divorced. She then married Paul Fees in Jamestown, and he preceded her in death in 1995.

She was a dietary aide for 29 years at Sunset Nursing Home in Concordia.

She is survived by her two sons, Raymond Fees,

Scandia; David Fees, Concordia; daughter, Sheila Persinger (Faylon), Belleville; two sisters, Caldonia Motes, Concordia; Darlene Thomas, Belleville; nine grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, daughter, Pam Persinger, four brothers, four sisters.

Graveside services was held Monday, November 23, at the Union Valley Cemetery with Rev. Dean Frazier officiating. Burial in the Union Valley Cemetery, rural Belleville,

Memorial Contributions may be given to Meadowlark

Hospice c/o Chaput-Buoy Funeral Home.

For online condolences may be sent to www.chaputbuoy.com

Gary E. Fisher

Gary E. Fisher, son of Eugene E. Fisher and Melva J. (Jakabosky) Fisher was born March 15, 1959 at



Belleville, Kansas and passed away on November 29, 2015 at his home in Belleville, Kansas at the age of 56 years,

8 months and 14 days.

Gary attended Belleville Public Schools and graduated with the Belleville High School class of 1977.

Gary was a happy, contented, and thankful man. Because of epilepsy he made his home with his parents, for over 56 years. Gary and his Dad worked together as a team; he did sanding, varnishing and painting as a part of his Dad's woodworking projects. Gary's favorite hobby was putting together jigsaw puzzles, the bigger the better.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Melva J. Fisher

He is survived by his father, Eugene E. Fisher of Belleville, KS., one

brother, Guy (Vickie) Fisher of Atlantic, Iowa, two nephews, Matthew Fisher of Des Moines, Iowa, Daniel (Selma) Fisher of London, England, one great niece, Alexandra Fisher of London, England, other relatives and many friends.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m., Friday, December 4, at the Bachelor-Surber Memorial Chapel, Belleville, Kansas, conducted by, Rev. Guy Fisher and Rev. Vickie Fisher. Interment will be in National Bohemian (Kopsa) Cemetery, rural Cuba. Memorials may be given to family choice.

Friends may call on Wednesday from 1 to 9 p.m., Thursday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. at Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, KS. Online condolences and information at www.bachelor-surber.com. Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, KS in charge of arrangements.

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Jane F. Gottschalk

Jane F. Gottschalk, 90, Hays, died Monday, January 5, 2015 at the Greeley County Long Term Care in Tribune KS.

She was born May 3, 1924 in Hyacinth KS, the daughter of John C. and Barbara (Steimbach) Befort.

Survivors include five sons, James W. Gottschalk and wife Marsha of Ellsworth, KS, Robert D. Gottschalk of Westminster, CO, Timothy E. Gottschalk and wife Julie of Belleville, KS, Randall Gottschalk and wife Janet of Laveen, AZ, and Loren Gottschalk and wife Linda of Basehor, KS, four daughters, Gladys Herrman and husband Richard of Emporia, KS, Karen Larkin of Monett, MO, Michelle Sander of Tribune, KS, and Dee Ann Garrison and husband Jerry of Hays, a sister Bernice England of New Bedford, MA; 27 grandchildren, 48 great grandchildren and 14 great great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Adolph, seven brothers, Alex, Connie, Francis, Clarence, John, Jr., William, and Alois Befort, six sisters, Albina Pfeifer, Irene Wilson, Elizabeth Befort, Josephine Pfeifer, Agnes England, and Esther Stals, a son in law Jack Larkin, a grandson Troy Curnutt, and three great grandsons Matthew Urban, Aaron Markley, and Austin Brookhouser.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. on Friday, January 9, 2015 at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church, 1805 Vine, Hays. Burial will be in the St. Anthony's Cemetery in Schoenchen, KS.

Visitation will be from 5 until 8 p.m. on Thursday and until 9:45 on Friday, all at the Hays Memorial Chapel Funeral Home, 1906 Pine St. Memorials are suggested to Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church, the Mary Elizabeth Maternity Home, or to the Hays Options Women's Shelter, in care of the funeral home. Condolences may be left for the family at www.haysmemorial.com.

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Hattie Jo Gilliland

Hattie Jo Gilliland, Garden City, two months old, died July 21, 2015 at Children's Mercy Hospital in Kansas City MO.

She was born May 12, 2015 to Eric and Ambria Menard Gilliland at Garden City.

She is survived by her parents, of Garden City; a brother, Jack, of Garden City; grandparents Phil and Brenda Gilliland, Jim and Rhonda Menard, Nancy Menard, Concordia.

Mass of Christian Burial was held July 25 at 10 a.m. at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church, Concordia, Fr. Brian Lager, celebrant. Burial in St. Concordia Catholic Cemetery. Memorials to Hattie Jo Gilliland Memorial Fund to be designated at a later date.

Nutter Mortuary in charge of arrangements. Online condolences at nuttermortuary@yahoo.com.

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Gladys Goodger



Gladys H. Goodger, daughter of Frank and Stella Hadachek Hostinsky was born in Cuba, Kansas on August 26, 1918 and died on December 3, 2014 at Riderwood Nursing Home. She attended the Cuba Public Schools and Kansas State Agricultural College and was a teacher in the Cuba area school system for 4 terms. She was married to the late Kenneth E. Goodger on June 16, 1940 in her parents home in Cuba, Kansas. Gladys worked for the Federal Government and as a secretary in a law firm for many years in the Hyattsville area. She was a member of several Senior Citizen Clubs and the Eastern Star Lodge Ophel Chapter 115 as a life member for 68 years

until her death. She was a member of the Riverdale Presbyterian Church in University Park, MD and served as a Deacon for several years. Gladys is survived by her son, Kent, and his wife, Patty, of Laurel, MD; a grandson, Brian Goodger, and his wife, Brooke, and son, Zachary, of Sandy Spring, MD, a granddaughter, Lisa Goodger, of Scottsdale, AZ, a nephew, Dale Hostinsky, a niece, Joyce Hostinsky of Cuba, Kansas, a nephew, Kermit Goodger, of Las Vegas, Nevada, six cousins and many friends. She was preceded in death by her brother, Franklin Hostinsky, Jr. and her sister-in-law, Norma. A funeral service was held at Riverdale Presbyterian Church on Monday, December 8, 2014. Interment Fort Lincoln Cemetery, Brentwood, MD. Memorial contributions may be made in her name to the National Scoliosis Foundation.

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Frederick (Fritz) Grueber

Frederick H (Fritz) Grueber, the son of Walter and Anna (Mohrman) Grueber, was born in a farmhouse on December 13, 1926 south of Byron NE in Republic County KS, and died April 23, 2015 at the Rosebrook Care Center, in Edgar, NE at the age of 88 years, four months, 10 days.



He attended school in Byron, graduating from Byron High School. He was a veteran of WWII and served on the USS Lexington in the Pacific Theatre. He was a member of Bethany Lutheran Church. He was an excellent handyman and worked with metal and wood. He served on the school board of the Highland District #66 schools and was Mayor Fritz of the Carol Joy Holling Lutheran Camp.

He was united in marriage to Ruth Janet Green on April 16, 1952. They had four children.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife Ruth on May 17, 1991; and a brother Gene.

Survivors include his sons Brian and wife Sharon, and Clark, all of Nelson, NE; Paul and wife Ibeeth, Carbon Cliff, IL, and daughter Anne Anderson and husband Boyd of York, NE; eight grandchildren. Funeral services were April 30 at the Bethany Lutheran Church in Ruskin, with Pastor Ethan Feistner officiating. Interment in Spring Creek Cemetery at Ruskin. Memorials to the Carol Joy Holling Lutheran Camp. Condolences to Klawitter-Price Funeral Home, 446 South Main St., Nelson NE 68961 or in care of www.pricefuneralhomes.com.

Kennett "Gus" Gustavson

Kennett LeRoy Gustavson, "Gus", son of Eric and Nellie (Hultquist) Gustavson was born April 25, 1935 at home southwest of Scandia, and died, January 3, 2015 at his home in Jamestown, at the age of 79 years.

He was baptized and confirmed in the Ada Lutheran church and was a life time member. He attended Kackley elementary school and graduated from Jamestown High school in 1953. He attended Fort Hays State University where he got both a scholarship and a job in order to play football. He received his bachelors of science of Agriculture in 1964. He was a member of the Delta Sigma Phi fraternity and served in the Army National Reserves for several years beginning in 1959.

He was united in marriage to Eldred Elaine Jewett at the First United Methodist Church in Dighton KS on August 30, 1958. To this marriage two children were born, Karen Kay and Kent Dale.

He farmed 2500 acres of wheat and milo in Lane County and was a rancher for many years. In the 1970s, he started a corn dozing business, processing corn and working with feed yards in Kansas, Nebraska, and Colorado. Recently he retired and handed over the reins of the business to his longtime colleague and friend, Sergio Peregrino.

He served his communities in various positions such as the Dighton Fire Department, Sunday school teacher and Lay Leader at the Methodist church, 4-H Leader, sold real-estate, ran a hunting business, active in the Lions club, district official for the Soil conservation of Lane County.

He was preceded in death by his parents; first wife Eldred; sister Ella Mae Baird; and two infant siblings.

He is survived by his life partner Elizabeth "Liz" Standley of their home; daughter Karen Gustavson; son Kent and wife Annette Gustavson; sister Virginia (Ed) Smith; Liz's daughter Tina (Bobby) Goff and son Phillip (Bobbie) Hill; seven grandchildren; one great grandchild.

Funeral services were held January 7, 2015 at the Ada Lutheran Church rural Courtland, with the Reverend Thomas Kamprath officiating. Burial in the church cemetery. Memorials to Fort Hays State Agriculture Dept. or the Church.

Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, in charge of arrangements.

Alfred Gardner

Alfred J. (Al) Gardner, 94, Pompano Beach FL died February 23, 2015.

He was born December 25, 1920 in New York City.

He graduated from City College, NY and attended Columbia Law School until drafted into the Army. He served in the Army for three years, primarily in military intelligence.

He was also a member of Mensa for almost 50 years and a ranked duplicate bridge player.

He was an enrolled agent,

operating Gardner Accounting for over 30 years.

He is survived by his daughters, Laurie Beall (Dan), Amy Hadachek (Larry) of Cuba KS, and Elizabeth Rudolph, (David) and stepdaughter, Linda Goldstein, and eight grandchildren. He is also survived by his long-time companion, Gloria Casson.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Carolyn Wiseman (Cammy) Gardner, and second wife, Irene Lewis Gardner, and stepson, Gregg Lewis.

Memorial gifts may be made to: Wounded Warrior Project at www.wounded-warriorproject.org or 855-448-3997

Dr. Marcellus Goff

Dr. Marcellus Avery Goff was born January 22, 1930 at Durham NC, and died April 12, 2015 at the Kansas Veterans' Home in Winfield KS at the age of 85. He was the only child of Dr. Marcellus Henry Goff and Janet Avery Goff Hamilton.

He attended elementary school in Chicago and high school in Chicago and New Rochelle NY. He graduated from the University of Chicago in 1954, where he participated in track and field and earned admission to the Order of the C.

He worked at the Department of Labor and National Institutes of Health in Washington D.C. before he decided to pursue a career in medicine. While living in Washington DC he became active in the Civil Rights movement and participated in the March on Washington and acted as a marshal, helping participants.

He earned his medical degree and studied French at the Catholic University of Louvan (Leuven) Belgium. After his internship in St. John's Newfoundland, Canada and his residency in orthopedic surgery in New York City he established his first practice Norfolk NE with his new wife, Harriett Rogers Goff.

Subsequently he practiced in Kansas City MO. Dr. Goff came to North Central Kansas in 1988.

Dr. Goff began his military career with the Illinois National Guard as a tanker operator. He later joined the Army Reserve and served with a hospital unit in Independence MO. He was transferred to the 159 MASH from New Orleans LA and deployed in 1990 with the MASH to serve in Desert Storm. Dr. Goff also served on the Retiree's Council at Ft. Riley, KS after his return from active duty.

He is survived by his wife of 36 years, Harriett; his brother William Smith (Betty), a stepson Tony Meadors (Peggy); a stepdaughter Alicia Leards (Peter); two grandchildren.

A celebration of life will be held at the Episcopal Church of the Epiphany, 117 W 8th, Concordia, on Saturday, June 20 at 11 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the John Moses Avery Boys and Girls Club, 808 E Pettigrew SE, Durham NC, 22701, Attn: Jerome Levisy. The club is named for Dr. Goff's maternal grandfather who was one of the founders of the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company.

Karen Ann (Sanderson) Gleason

Karen Ann Gleason stepped into heaven on Sunday, October 18, 2015, at the age of 53, after a 25-1/2 month battle with cancer, at St. Luke's Hospital of Kansas City in Missouri.



Karen is survived by her beloved husband, Dave, of Leavenworth, Kansas; three daughters Jacquie Edie (Dave Giannasi) of Rollinsville, Colorado, Jennifer Nolen (Joey Koonce) Overland Park, Kansas and Stephanie de la Cruz (Nicholas) of Groton, Connecticut; and eight grandchildren (Sabree, William and Trenton Koonce, Mychal Dole, Charlotte, Gabriel, Raphael and Daniel de la Cruz); mother, Rae Ellen Hinken, Sun City West, Arizona; sisters Kathy Hays (Richard) of Olathe, Kansas and Kristin Caress of Leavenworth, Kansas; Great-aunt, Frances "Nonee" Segerhammar; Beth (Jim) Lohmeyer and Ann (Rick) Lohmeyer; Jerry and Jane Gleason, and Bill Gleason. She was also dearly loved by her nieces, nephews, great-nieces, extended family and friends. She was preceded in death by her father, Dean Sanderson and step-fathers, Fred Van Pelt and Bill Hinken and niece, Jayme Hosier.

On March 20, the first day of Spring, in 1962 Karen was born in Denver Colorado to Dean and Ellen (Nelson) Sanderson. She was the second of three daughters and the family eventually moved to Leadville, Colorado. They attended Good Shepherd Lutheran Church where Karen was baptized and confirmed. She attended school in Leadville and graduated in 1980 From Lake County High School. During a brief marriage to Joe Nolen, Jacquie and Jennifer were born. After leaving Leadville, she married Dave Gleason on January 10, 1987, in Loveland, Colorado. To this union another daughter, Stephanie, joined the family. As a Navy family, they relocated to stations throughout the United States in California, Maryland, Texas and Connecticut, making lifelong friends in their churches and communities wherever they were. Karen and Dave settled in Leavenworth, Kansas, after their military journeys came to an end.

Karen's love and devotion to Dave and her girls was constant, and grew as new members were added to the family. She enjoyed a variety of creative activities and her craft cupboard was filled with crochet hooks, paper crafts, stamps, specialty cutters, jewelry making supplies and much more. She enjoyed her Swedish heritage and was proud to be a member of the Jesse Leavenworth Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

The past two years fighting stage four lung cancer does not define who Karen was, but it did confirm the quality of her character. She daily demonstrated a grace and strength that was deep within her and the love and devotion she had for her Lord and her family. Throughout the long months of treatment she remained ever hopeful and cheerful. Even in pain she was able to make sure she said thank you and smiled at everyone who attended her. The family has been comforted by many friends and caregivers assurances of how much Karen meant to each of them and how much they will miss her smile.

There is a tradition among cancer patients to ring a bell when they have completed their treatment. Karen's treatments would be indefinite, but she was a participant in a study to help further cancer research. When the cancer grew beyond the boundaries of the study and she was dismissed from the research group; the treatment staff let her ring a bell for completing the study phase of treatment. Since that day in May she had celebrated the completion of each day by ringing a bell and singing "Jesus Loves Me."

Jesus loves me, this I know; for the Bible tells me so.

Little ones to Him belong, they are weak, but He is strong.

Yes, Jesus loves me; Yes, Jesus loves me; Yes, Jesus loves me.

The Bible tells me so.

A memorial service will be held at 2:00 p m on April 23, 2016, at The Wine Barn, 2850 N 119th Kansas City, Kansas.

In lieu of flowers The Karen Gleason Memorial Fund has been established to help with medical expenses and a donation to the St. Luke's Cancer Center. Donations may be made with access code 9214560; in person at any Navy Federal Credit Union, checks may be mail to 301 Cheyenne St, Leavenworth, KS 66048 or by debit card by calling 888-842-6328.

Lela Don German

Lela Don German, the only child of Richard (Dick) Kenneth Fox and Evelyn



Lucille (Krohn) Fox, was born December 11, 1934 at Concordia and died on December 1, 2015 at the age of 80 years,

11 months, and 20 days at the Parkview Haven Nursing Home, Deshler, NE of cancer.

She attended first grade at Wayne and then attended Dillehay School through the 8th grade, later graduating from Agenda High School in 1952.

She attended Kansas State University receiving a teaching certificate.

While attending Kansas State, she met Kenley German in chemistry class in 1952 and they were married on June 6, 1954 and to this union was born: Craig, Deborah, and Randall.

She was involved in teaching at the Dillehay School, teaching all grades and later at Arriba, CO where she taught third and fourth grades.

She then worked at various jobs including Hess Oil Company, a census surveyor, Reinke Mfg. and the Deshler Broom Factory. She was the parts manager for Western Sprinklers Irrigation for 16 years at Colby, KS and also was a soil testing surveyor.

She was an accomplished artist and also a 4-H Leader.

She was preceded in death by her parents, great grandchild, Evany and daughter-in-law, Shelley.

She is survived by her husband Kenley German of Deshler, NE; children, Craig Allen German of

Edgar, NE; Deborah Linn (David) Zucker of Deshler, NE and Randall Lee (Cathy) German of Raymore, MO; seven grandchildren, nine great grandchildren; other relatives and many friends.

Cremation was selected and graveside memorial services will be held at a date to be determined later at the Zion Cemetery, rural Belleville.

Memorials are suggested to the United Methodist Church, Agenda, KS.

Online condolences at www.bachelor-surber.com

Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, KS is in charge of the arrangements.

Jack Gould

Jack Gould was born on April 30, 1928, in Concordia, Kansas and passed quietly in his home on Tuesday, December 29, 2015.



He was the son of Orrin and Hazel Wagner Gould. Jack graduated Concordia High School in 1946, and served in the United States Marines on the USS Springfield as a military policeman. Following his time in the service he returned to Concordia where he married Phyllis Gile on March 26th, 1949. The Gould's spent their entire married life in Concordia. Jack returned to work at the family implement business until his retirement in 1998.

Jack is survived by four sons, James Gould (James) of Coronado, CA, Richard of Republic, KS, Robert of Concordia, and Lee (Debbie) of Salina, KS. He is also survived by his grandson Jared Gould (Kelly) of Waco, TX and his step-grand daughter Catharine Tobin (Chad Iatas) of Coronado, CA. In addition, Jack is also survived by his brother

Harold Gould of Eugene, Oregon and his niece Cindy. He is survived by sister-in-laws Beth Whitney, Joan Mell, Louise Kempton, Gertrude Heide (Ed), Janet Shrader, Martha Gephart (Jack), brother-in-law Perry Gile (Margaret) and many loving nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Jack was preceded in death by his parents Orrin and Hazel Gould, his wife Phyllis, and her parents Roy and Julia Gile. He was also preceded in death by one nephew, Mike Gould.

Jack will be remembered as a loving father, husband and loyal friend. He was an honest businessman who loved KU basketball and going to coffee with friends.

He loved animals and had a passion for cars. In later years he and his wife enjoyed traveling to casinos. In lieu of flowers, the family asks any memorials be given to the Coronado Animal Shelter in Coronado, KS to benefit animals in need.

Funeral services were at Pleasant Hill Cemetery in Concordia on January 4 with military honor guard.

To leave online condolences, please visit nuttermortuary@yahoo.com

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Benny L. Holloway

Benny Lee Holloway, son of Vearl and Tillie (Vocasek), Holloway was born March 23, 1930 on his parent's farm southeast of Narka, Kansas. He passed



away suddenly Wednesday, January 14, 2015 at his home south of Narka. He was 84 years, nine months, and 21 days of age.

Benny attended Round Grove country school and Narka High School graduating with the Class of 1948. He furthered his education at Kansas State University for two years until he was drafted into the United States Army and served his country for two years.

On September 6, 1953 Benny was united in marriage to Marcie Horak at Munden, Kansas and to this union was born twin sons Richard Dee and Randall Lee. The couple then made their home in rural Narka, Kansas. He spent his life as a farmer, stockman and truly loved all aspects of the farm.

Benny was a member of the Narka Presbyterian church where he served as Elder, other church offices and on several committees. He was a 60 year member of the Masonic Lodge. He was

very active in the local lodge and served several years as a Grand Lodge Officer. He was also a 50 year member of the Eastern Star and was very helpful to Marcie as she served five years in the State Offices.

Benny had a true passion for health care, especially in our local area. He served 36 1/2 years on the Board of Directors of Republic County Hospital. He was Chairman of the Board for many years. He loved sports of all kinds, especially K-State and the Kansas City Royals.

Benny was preceded in death by his parents and infant brother Richard.

He will be forever remembered by his wife Marcie of their home; twin sons Randall of Narka and Dr. Richard and wife Kim of Belleville; four grandchildren; two great grandchildren; brother William and wife Lorene, Narka; many nieces and nephews and a host of friends.

Funeral services were held Saturday, January 17, 2015 at the Presbyterian Church, Narka, Kansas with Pastor Phil Goombi officiating. Burial was in National Cemetery south of Narka. Masonic rites were conducted by Belleville Lodge No. 129 A.F. & A.M. Military Honors were presented by American Legion Post 345 of Cuba, Kansas. Memorials may be made in Benny's honor to the Republic County Hospital or the Narka Presbyterian Church.

Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home assisted with arrangements.

Marguerite Hotchkiss

Marguerite Leah Hotchkiss, 89, of Forsyth, MO

Marguerite Hotchkiss passed from this life to the next on Fri., Jan. 9, 2015 at Point Lookout Nursing Home in Hollister, MO.

She was born Oct. 11, 1925 in Arkansas City, KS, daughter of Ira and Opal (Moore) Purkey. The Lord gifted her with a great singing voice, and she loved to play her piano in Hawaii, her favorite home



for over 30 years. She moved to Missouri in order to be closer to family, where she enjoyed meeting Branson entertainers. She is now dancing with Jesus.

Marguerite is survived by her children, Dan Luxan, Rita Walker, Debra Prothero and Bari Hotchkiss. She was blessed by the Lord with ten grandchildren and sixteen great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents and seven siblings.

Cremation was under the direction of Forsyth Whelchel Funeral Chapel. Memorials may be made to the Voice of the Martyrs, P.O. Box 443, Bartlesville, OK 74005-0443.

Dwain Hettinger

Dwain Albert Hettinger passed away at home in Hayfork, California, on June 30, 2015, at the age of 92. He was born at Concordia on March 21, 1923.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Roy and Pearl Ruth Hettinger, wife, Anna Mae Turner, daughter, Patsy VanMeter, sister, Berneice Peltier; brothers, Chester and Donald.

Survivors include children, Marcia (Alan) Peltier, Hayfork; Ken Hettinger, Smith Center; Dixie, Hayfork, California; Tim Hettinger, Hayfork, California; sister, Janice Peters, Jewell; brothers, Vernon, California; Richard, Missouri. eight grandchildren, and many great-grandchildren and nieces and nephew.

Graveside services will be held at Downs Cemetery, Downs, Kansas at 2 p.m. August 2, 2015.

Graveside services will be held at Downs, Kansas, at 2 p.m. for Dwain and Donald Hettinger, August 2, 2015.

Graveside Services Scheduled for Dwain And Donald Hettinger

Graveside services are scheduled for 2:00 p. m. , Sunday, August 2, 2015, at the Downs Cemetery, Downs, Kansas, to celebrate the lives and memories of Dwain Albert Hettinger (March 21, 1923 – June 30, 2015) and his brother, Donald Dean Hettinger (July 11, 1938 - December 4, 2014).

Crossroads Café on Main Street will be open at 11:00 a. m. before the service if you wish to purchase lunch.

The family will gather at the Café after services to visit with the family.

Wanda Hakes

Wanda Faye (Chaloupka) Hakes, 84, Beatrice NE died at the Bryan Medical Center West in Lincoln NE January 15, 2015.



She was born on April 14, 1930 at Narka, to John and Margaret (Holan) Chaloupka.

She was a 1947 graduate of Narka High School. She graduated from the St. Elizabeth Hospital School of Nursing in 1950.

She married Lester B. Hakes September 16, 1951 and lived in Beatrice since 1965.

She practiced nursing at St. Joseph Hospital and the Gevin-Haughey Clinic in Concordia, KS; the former Mennonite Hospital and an LPN nursing instructor at the Southeast Community College in Beatrice.

She was a member of the Centenary United Methodist Church in Beatrice; St. Elizabeth Hospital Nurses Alumnae; Kansas Nurses Association; Nebraska Nurses Association; Southeast Community College Faculty Association; Nebraska Vocational Association; Beatrice Business and Professional Woman's Club; and Gage County Unit of the American Cancer Society.

Survivors include her husband Lester; children Anita Lytle and husband Tom of Beatrice, Frederick Hakes and wife Nancy of Elgin, IL, Daniel Hakes and wife Linda of Overland Park, KS, and Carol Rohlfing and husband Randy of Collinsville, OK; seven grandchildren; three great grandchildren Hannah Lytle, Justin Claxton, and Austin Lytle; and sister in law Marcy Mae Chaloupka.

She was preceded in death by her parents John and Margaret (Holan) Chaloupka; infant son Gary; brother Glen

Donald Hettinger

Donald Dean Hettinger, 76 Bristow, Oklahoma, died December 4. He was born July 11, 1938, to Roy and Pearl Hettinger.

Survivors are his wife Shirley Hocker Hettinger, Bristow, Oklahoma; daughter, Sheila Scroeder, Bristow, Oklahoma; son, Kevin Hettinger, Texas; grandchildren and great-grandchildren; sister, Janice Peters; brothers, Dwain, Vernon and Richard; other nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Chester; sister, Berneice Peltier.

Don was a teacher at Junction City for 35 years.

Services were held December 8 in Bristow, Oklahoma. Graveside services will be held at a later date in 2015 in Downs, Kansas.

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Virgie Theodoris Hammer

Virgie Theodoris (Olson) Hammer, age 102, of Redlands, California, passed away on Sunday, February 22, 2015.

Virgie was born on July 5, 1912, in Lindsborg, KS, the daughter of Theodore and Esther Olson. On June 20, 1937, Virgie was united in marriage to Norman Lyle Hammer in Norway, KS. To this union, three children were born.

Virgie was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, and one sister, Melba Hall. She is survived by her children, Jordan Sack, Stephen (Sylvia) Hammer, and Sonja (Craig) Latawiec; four grandchildren, Kevin Sack, Slade (Danielle) Hammer, Portia (Anthony) Lopez, and Sacha (Craig) Pankratz; four great grandchildren; two brothers, Erwin (Gertrude) Olson and Robert (Kathy) Olson.

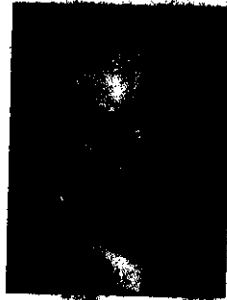
Funeral services were held at First Lutheran Church in Redlands on Wednesday March 4, 2015.

Graveside Funeral services and interment were held at the Norway Cemetery, Norway, Kansas on Wednesday, April 8, 2015, with Al Urich, PMA, officiating.

Memorials to family choice and online condolences at www.bachelor-surber.com Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Scandia, Kansas were in charge of the arrangements.

Howard T. Hammond

Howard T. "Salty" Hammond, age 85, entered into rest on May 31, 2015



at the Park Villa Nursing Home in Clyde, Kansas. He was born January 21, 1930 to Carl and

Lena (Brenner) Hammond.

He married Lois M. Houdashelt on June 10, 1948 in Newton, Kansas. He graduated from Agenda High School 1948.

"Salty" worked for American Salt, Lyons, Kansas for 40 plus years as a Territory Manager.

He was a member of the Lutheran Church, Clay Center, KS.; Howard

was also a member of the Masonic Lodge for 55 years in Clay Center; Moose Lodge, Elks Lodge both of Concordia; He served as Mayor of Agenda for 12 years. He enjoyed farming, cattle and going to auctions.

He is survived by Lois of the Home in Agenda, KS.; a son Brian Hammond (Debbie), Concordia, KS.; 3 grandsons, 7 great Grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Visitation will be until 8 p.m., Wednesday, June 3, 2015 with family receiving friends from 6 p.m. until 7 p.m. at the Chaput Mortuary, Clyde

Funeral services will be held 1:30 p.m., Thursday, June 4, 2015 at the United Methodist Church, Agenda, Kansas with Rev. Sandra Jellison-Knock officiating. Burial will follow in the Manning Cemetery, Agenda.

Memorial Contributions may be given to United Methodist Church, Agenda c/o Chaput Mortuary, Clyde.

For online condolences may be sent to www.chaputbuoy.com

Patricia A Holling

Patricia Ann Rogers Holling, the daughter of Don and Eva (Van Meter) Rogers, was born on August 1, 1948 in Superior NE, and died on February 20, 2015 at the Brodstone Memorial Hospital at Superior NE at the age of 66 years, six months, 19 days.

She is preceded in death by her daughter Nancy Jo, parents Don and Eva Rogers, sister Beverly Jo.

She is survived by her husband Dick, her four children, 10 grandchildren, 16 great grandchildren; three sisters Rae Tumbleson and husband Jeff of Superior NE, Diane Cox and husband Arlyce of Belleville, and Reta Boswell of Fall City NE; two brothers John Rogers and wife JoAnn and Keith Rogers and wife Susan all of Superior.

Memorial services will be held on Friday, February 27, 2015 at 2 p.m. from the Megrue-Price Funeral Home in Superior with Missie Wilt officiating. Private family inurnment in Evergreen

Cemetery at Superior. Memorials to Brodstone Memorial Hospital. Condolences to Megrue-Price Funeral Home, 750 N Commercial, Superior NE 68978 or in care of www.pricefuneralhomes.com.

Megrue-Price Funeral Home of Superior, in charge of the arrangements.

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Franklin Heyka

Franklin Joseph Heyka, son of Joseph F. Heyka and Mary Ann Bartak-Heyka, was born in his parents' farmhouse in Freedom Township, Republic County, on April 9, 1936 and died on May 15, 2015 at Via Christi Hospital St. Francis, in Wichita, at the age of 79 years, one month and six days.

He graduated from Belleville High School in 1954. On June 18, 1955, he married Karen Jean Hubka and they divorced in 1978. On June 14, 1980, he married Ruth Marie Fox Van Allen.

He was baptized as a Catholic and was a member of the: Knights of Columbus; Church Council; and Belleville Library Board; and was instrumental in efforts for church improvements including the St. Edwards Catholic Church tree project and improvements at St. Josaphat's Cemetery.

He was a farmer. After his semi-retirement to Belleville, he continued to work and partner on the farm with his son David until his death.


He was preceded in death by his parents Joseph and Mary; step-mother Anna Strunc-Heyka, sister Lorene Heyka, stepson Tony Van Allen, stepdaughter Tammy Van Allen and step-grandson Alex J. Strnad.

Survivors include; wife Ruth Heyka; sons Michael Heyka and wife Kristi of Highlands Ranch CO, Mark Heyka of Missoula MT, and David Heyka and wife Janet of Belleville; step children Cynthia Van Allen-Durbin and husband Brad of Emporia, Timothy Van Allen and wife Jeanette of BellaVista AR, Thomas Van Allen of Wichita, and Teresa Van Allen-Rincon and husband William of Topeka, Kansas; 13 step-

grandchildren; and seven step-great-grandchildren; sisters JoAnn Buntin and husband William of Topeka, and Marlene Quartano and husband Joe of Orlando FL.

Funeral services were held May 19 at St. Edwards Catholic Church in Belleville with Father Brian Lager officiating. Burial was in St. Josaphat's Cemetery, near Belleville. Memorials to the St. Edward's Tree Project or St. Josaphat Cemetery Fund. Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville assisted with arrangements.

Mary Lucille Harris



Mary Lucille Harris, age 90, of Courtland, Kansas, died Saturday, September 5, 2015, at the Republic County Hospital in Belleville, Kansas. She was born November 2, 1924, on a farm northwest of Studley, Kansas, to Rachel (Stithem) and Henry Niblock. Mary married Sylvan Harris on May 24, 1942, at Moreland, Kansas and they moved to Wichita, Kansas. In 1946, Mary and Sylvan moved to Plainville, Kansas, where she worked at the hospital and then the nursing home. They moved again in 1967 to Courtland, Kansas. She began cooking at the local school and worked there until retiring. Mary loved taking care of the grandkids and spoiling them for their parents. Her favorite pastimes besides her grandchildren were cooking, playing cards, dancing and gardening. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Sylvan, in 2011; sisters, Elsie and Alice; and one brother Junior.

Mary will be forever remembered by her sons, Dennis (Dot) Harris, Minneapolis, Kansas, Floyd (Norma) Harris, Downs, Kansas, and Larry (Lisa) Harris, Solomon, Kansas; daughter Peggy (Dale) Crumb, Dodge City, Kansas; thirteen grandchildren; twenty-seven great-grandchildren; sister, Marge (Duane) Dechant, Kansas City, Kansas; brother Don (Mary) Niblock, Hoxie, Kansas; other relatives and a community of friends.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, September 8, 2015, at the United Methodist Church, Courtland, Kansas, with Pastor Kathy Aeillo officiating. Burial was in the Courtland Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Courtland Methodist Church.

Tibbets-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, Kansas assisted the Harris family with these arrangements.

William "Bill" Hinken

William Royce "Bill" Hinken was a man of great determination, but his heart and lungs were not as strong as his will, he died on Saturday, September 12, 2015 in Surprise, Arizona, at the age of 78.

Bill was born on November 15, 1936, in Burke, South Dakota. As a teenager he began his hardworking career and interest in understanding the complexities of engineering by working on dams along the Missouri River. After graduating from Burke High School in 1954 he continued his education at Ventura College in Ventura, California, and South Dakota School of Mines in Rapid City, earning a degree in metallurgical engineering. As a registered professional engineer he worked for mines in Arizona, New Mexico, Nevada, and Colorado advancing from engineer to general manager. Many of his years were spent in Leadville, Colorado, at both the Henderson and Climax Mines.

He married Rae Ellen VanPelt on January 25, 1992. They enjoyed traveling across the nation and internationally, learning about different places and cultures. Retiring to Rae Ellen's family farm in Courland, Kansas, Bill began his adventures in farming. He learned about the latest innovations and the improvements he made to the property took the farm "off the grid" with solar and hydro power.

Bill was an avid reader and life-long learner and encouraged the same in others. He supported many youth to pursue their educational goals through his activities in scholarship committees and personal financial support. He enjoyed many outdoor activities including hiking, mountain-biking, camping, and canoeing in the Boundary Waters of northern Minnesota. He was generous with his resources, his wisdom and his opinions and always enjoyed lively conversation about politics and current events.

He was a Master Mason (Corinthian Lodge #35, Leadville, Colorado). Bill will be greatly missed by family, friends, Lodge Brothers, "Old Timers" and mining friends.

He is preceded in death by his parents, William and Laura (Kenaston) Hinken, brother, Robert Hinken; step-son Randall Gish, and granddaughter, Jayme Hosier.

Bill is survived by his wife, Rae Ellen of Sun City West, Arizona; step-sons, Kenneth (Debbie) Gish and Jeffrey (Jodi) Dudley; Step-daughters: Kathy (Richard) Hays, Olathe, Kansas, Karen (Dave) Gleason, Leavenworth, Kansas, and Kristen Caress, Leavenworth, Kansas; eight grandchildren and eighteen great-grandchildren; sister, Marge (Jim) Kortan of Burke, South Dakota; sister-in-law, Carolyn Hinken, Albuquerque, New Mexico; three nephews and two nieces along with many extended family members and friends. He is preceded in death by his parents, William and Laura (Kenaston) Hinken, brother, Robert Hinken; step-son Randall Gish and granddaughter, Jayme Hosier.

A private memorial service will be held at a later date, with the final inurnment in Burke, South Dakota. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to The Salvation Army.

Donna Lauree Hansen

Donna Lauree Hansen, 75, daughter of Peter (Pete) A. and Lynda B. (Carlson) Hansen, passed away early Monday, October 5, 2015, in Salina Regional Health Center. She was born December 25, 1939, in Concordia, Kansas.

Donna graduated from Courtland High School with the Class of 1957. Bethany College with a Bachelor of Arts degree and Kansas State University with a Master of Science degree in Adult and Occupational Education.

She taught at Munden High School, Munden, Kansas, for two years and at the Brown-Mackie College, Salina, Kansas, for thirty-nine years. During her tenure at the Brown-Mackie College, she held the positions of Instructor, Chairperson of Court Reporting Department and the Department Chair of the Medical Programs.

Donna was a member of AAUW, Delta Kappa Gamma Mu Chapter and a past member of the YWCA Board of Directors.

She served as an Accrediting Commission team member for Association of Independent Colleges and Schools, and a team member for the evaluation team for the National Shorthand Reporters Association. S

She was baptized and confirmed at Ada Lutheran Church, Courtland, Kansas; long-time member of Immanuel Lutheran Church, Salina, Kansas, and present member of St. John's Lutheran Church.

She is survived by her sister, Anita (Joel) Nelson, of Topeka; nephew, Paul (Rachel) Nelson, Henderson, Nevada; cousins and many friends including the extra helpful local friends, Jane Brunsell, Evelyn Seim, Pam Weeks, Verna Mae Johnson, Dolores Hall and Charlotte Ternstrom.

A memorial service will be held 2:00 p.m. Friday, October 16, at St. John's Lutheran Church, 302 S. 7th St. Salina. Inurnment will be 10:00 a.m. Saturday, October 17, Ada Lutheran Church cemetery, Courtland, Kansas.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Ada Lutheran Cemetery Fund or St. John's Lutheran Church and are in care of Ryan Mortuary 137 N. Eighth Street, Salina, Kansas 67401.

Lester Hakes

Lester B. Hakes, 89, Beatrice NE died at the Beatrice Good Samaritan Center Monday morning, November 30, 2015.



He was born on April 19, 1926 at Marysville, KS to Harry and Ella (McKee) Hakes, and was a 1944 graduate of

Clyde High School in Clyde, KS.

He served in the United States Navy from May 31, 1944 until June 12, 1946. He was assigned to the USS Yorktown, and participated in the Philippine Liberation Campaign and the Asiatic/Pacific Campaign receiving the Victory Medal and the American Campaign Medal.

He farmed in Kansas from 1946-1963. He married Wanda Chaloupka September 16, 1951 in Narka. In 1963 they moved to Belleville and he worked at John Deere as a parts manager. They moved to Beatrice in 1965 when he bought the Standard Station at 6th and High Street. In 1977 he joined Lee and Gary Sanford at Sanford Oil with farm delivery of gas, diesel, and propane. He became a partner in 1978 and bought out the Sanford's in the 1990s. He sold his business and retired on October 1, 2007.

He was a member of the Centenary United Methodist Church in Beatrice. Lester

was a past member and officer of the Beatrice Lion's Club and the Sunrise Sertoma Club (especially involved with their rodeo), past member of the Beatrice Elks and Eagles Clubs, and member of the Beatrice VFW and American Legion Clubs. He was active at the Beatrice Gun Club.

Survivors include his children Anita Lytle and husband Tom of Beatrice, Frederick Hakes and wife Nancy of Elgin, IL, Daniel Hakes and wife Linda of Overland Park, KS, and Carol Rohlfsing and husband Randy of Collinsville, OK; seven grandchildren; three great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents Harry and Ella (McKee) Hakes; wife Wanda (January 2015); infant son Gary; and two sisters Mary Payeur and Harriet Letourneau.

Memorial services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, December 5, at the Centenary United Methodist Church in Beatrice with Reverend Mark Schutt officiating.

Burial of his ashes will be at a later date in Kansas. Public visitation will be held Friday from 12-9 p.m. at the Griffiths-Hovendick Chapel in Beatrice with the family greeting friends from 6:30-8:00. In lieu of flowers, a memorial has been established to the family's choice with the funeral home in charge. Online condolences at www.ghchapel.com. Griffiths-Hovendick Chapel in Beatrice in charge of arrangements.

Irene M. Hiatt

Irene Mae Hiatt, the daughter of Joe Bundy and Adelaide (Various) Bundy, was born September 2, 1929 at rural Belleville, KS and passed away on November



26, 2015 at Republic County-Long Term Care, Belleville, KS, at the age of 86 years, two months, and 24 days.

Irene attended the rural country schools of Republic County, later graduating from Belleville High School in 1947. Following her schooling, she worked at the Belleville Co-op for a short time. On March 28, 1948, she was united in marriage to Duard W. Hiatt and to the union was born: Diane, Julie, and Kathy.

The couple made their home in Belleville, KS until 1976, when they moved to Junction City, KS where they owned and operated Junction City-Agri Service until their retirement in 1992. In 1993, the couple returned to Belleville, KS.

Irene was also a homemaker and attended the Landmark Church, Belleville, KS.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, Duard W. Hiatt in 2008, and one brother, Joe Elmer Bundy.

Irene is survived by three daughters; Diane (Mike) Hardenburger of Belleville, KS, Julie

Patton of Abilene, KS, and Kathy (Steve) Anderson of Belleville, KS; eight grandchildren: Joe (Becky) Patton of Huntington Beach, CA, Josh Patton of Abilene, KS, Jared Patton of Sneads Ferry, NC, Travis (Miranda) Hardenburger of Warnego, KS, Drew (Erin) Hardenburger of Belleville, KS, Bryan (Celia) Anderson of Spring, TX, Kylee (Joe) Levin of Wichita, KS, and Abbey Anderson of Manhattan, KS; eight great grandchildren: Cade Patton, Collin Patton, Peyton Hardenburger, Beckett Hardenburger, Graceyn Anderson, Gavin Anderson, Rees Levin, and Brek Levin; three step great grandchildren: Jeff (Marielle) Ecklund, Eddie Ecklund, and Nick (Kristi) Coffey; three step great grandchildren; sister-in-laws: Geraldine Hiatt of Munden, KS and Judy Hiatt of Kearney, MO; other relatives and many friends.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, December 3, 2015 at the Central Christian Church, Belleville, KS with Pastor Mark Imel, officiating.

Interment will be at the Belleville Cemetery, Belleville, KS.

Visitation will be until 9 p.m. on Wednesday at Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home where the family will greet friends from 6 until 8 p.m. on Wednesday.

Memorials are suggested to family choice.

Online condolences at www.bachelor-surber.com

Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, KS is in charge of the arrangements.

Maxine Hall



Stella Maxine Hall, the daughter of Edmon and Mary Alean (Knight) Montgomery, was born on July 17, 1931 on a farm in Jewell County Kansas. She passed away on December 31, 2015 at her home at Superior, Nebraska at the age of 84 years, 5 months, 14 days.

Maxine attended Sweet Hill Country School and graduated from Montrose High School. On November 8, 1952 she was united in marriage to Frankie Dean Hall at San Pedro, California, and to this union was born 4 children. During her lifetime she spent the majority of her younger years in Jewell County Kansas until moving into Superior after her marriage raising her family. On November 2, 2008, she was baptized at the Superior Church of Christ by Pastor Jim Stark.

She was a member of the Fireman's Auxiliary serving as local and state president and was also a member of the Brodstone Hospital Auxiliary. She enjoyed fishing, camping, craft work and attending local auction. She was proud of being the head cook at the Superior School Systems while they still served real food. Her pies and cinnamon rolls were well known throughout the community. She was a member and clerk for the Montgomery and Hall Auction Services.

She was preceded in death by her parents, one sister, Phyllis Doyle, and two brothers, Richard (Slim) and Marvin (Andy) Montgomery.

She is survived by her husband Dean, her children, Edmon Hall and wife, Paula, of Panama, Nebraska, Debra Harris of Steamboat Springs, Colorado, Jacqueline Albertson and husband, Rick, of Republic, Kansas, and Sandra Nelson and husband, Kendall, of Formoso, Kansas. Seven grandchildren Maranda Bradfield, Laura Harris, Jill Hall, Joshua Hall, Tisha Johnston and husband, Perry, Jared Nelson and wife, Tricia, and Jason Nelson. Two great-grandchildren, Paden Johnston and Isaac Nelson. Sisters-in-law, Jeanice Montgomery of Guide Rock, Nebraska, Bernice Montgomery of Superior, Nebraska, and brother-in-law, Joe Doyle, of Superior, Nebraska, along with a host of many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Celebration of Life service was held Tuesday, January 5, 2016, at the Megrue-Price Funeral Home, Superior, Nebraska, with Pastor Jim Stark officiating. Inurnment was in Rosemound Cemetery, Hardy, Nebraska.

Memorials to: Memorials are suggested to go to the Superior Volunteer Fire Department and Auxiliary.

Megrue-Price Funeral Home, 750 N Commercial, Superior, Nebraska, 68978 Phone 402-879-3900 handled the arrangements.

James N. Habiger

James N. Habiger, 78, of Shell Knob MO died on Saturday, December 12, 2015.

He was born October 18, 1937, in Belleville, Kansas, to Norbert and Marguerite Habiger.

He grew up in Republic. After graduating from college, he started his career with the USDA Soil Conservation Service and was the State Conservationist of Kansas

for the NRCS in Salina 10 years before retiring. In 1997, he and his wife moved to Table Rock Lake near Shell Knob, MO.

He is survived by his wife of 57 years, Jeanette; daughter Lisa Marie McKinney of St. Peterson, MO; the late Janet Habiger of Salina, TX; four grandchildren; and a sister, Beth Sankey, of Belleville.

A Memorial Mass will be said at Holy Family Catholic Church in Shell Knob.

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Jane Hill

Sarah Jane Tomlinson Hill, daughter of Ernest and Gladys (Bailey) Tomlinson was born April 28, 1942 at Emporia, Virginia. She went to be with her Heavenly Father Saturday, December 12, 2015 at her home in Courtland, Kansas surrounded by her loving family. Jane was 73 years of age.

She was united in marriage to George Lee Hill on May 27, 1959 and together they raised two daughters, Janice Paige and Rebecca Kay.

Besides the loving care she gave to her family, Jane worked for many years as a supervisor for the Franklin Braid Manufacturing Company. Together they made their home in Skippers, Virginia near Emporia.

Jane loved her family dearly and demonstrated her love for them in so many meaningful ways. She was an avid shopper and in the last few years was quite involved with her many Facebook friends. Having visited Janice and family in Courtland the years, she and George moved to the Courtland community permanently in 2015. She loved her new home and the many wonderful friendships she developed here.

Jane was preceded in death by her parents; an infant sister and her brother Ernest Leonard Tomlinson.

She will be forever remembered by her husband George of their home in Courtland; daughters Janice and husband Jacob Millias and Kay Edleman and husband Jack; grandchildren Michael Garrick Harding Cruz, Tabitha Glenn, Megan Miller, Katherine Millias, and Sarah Millias; great grandchildren Kaylin Harper, Tyree Harper, Evelyn Colson, Eldon Miller, and Scarlett Tracy.

Jane's family would like to also express their thankfulness to Drs. Walker, Beck, and Johnson and the staff at Republic County Hospital, Jewell county Hospital, and Salina Regional for their exceptional care for her.

Jane's wishes were for direct cremation. A memorial gathering was held at the Living Waters church in Courtland, Kansas on Sunday, December 13, 2015. A family inurnment service will be held at a later time. Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, Kansas assisted the Hill family with these arrangements.

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Ella Jane Ingersoll

Ella Jane "E.J." Ingersoll, 80, of Basin, WY died at her home in Basin February 2, 2015. She was born May 31, 1934 in Belleville, the daughter of Charles Hobart and Grace Barbara (Williams) West.

She is preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Don Arthur Ingersoll; two sons, Matt and Mark Ingersoll; and two sisters, Ruth Barbara Valarde and Mary Ellen Baker.

She is survived by her daughter, Mary Louise Harris of Basin WY; her son, Mike Ingersoll of Plummer ID; her sister, Eva Louise Foster of Aurora CO; 16 grandchildren.

A memorial will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, February 7, 2015 at the Eagles Aerie #3086 in Basin WY.

Atwood Family Funeral Directors, Inc. assisted the family with arrangements.

Betty I. Johnson

Betty Irene Johnson, the daughter of Archie Lewis Larson and Esta Mae (Swafford) Larson, was born December 23, 1923 in the Union Township near Scandia, and died March 16, 2015 at Republic County-Long Term Care, Belleville, at the age of 91 years, two months, and 23 days.

She grew up in rural Scandia, KS, graduating from the Union Valley Country School, and Scandia High School in 1941. She obtained a normal teaching certificate and began teaching, at the age of 17 in Sept. 1941, at the Red Top Country School for two years, and then one year at the #9 Rydal School. She then attended Kansas State University.

On Feb. 3, 1945 at Belleville, KS, she was united in marriage to Harold D. Johnson and to this union was born: Allen, Neal, and Randall. The couple made their home in Belleville.

She was the assistant librarian at the Belleville Public Library from 1967 until 1986.

She was a member of the First United Methodist Church, Belleville, KS where she was active in the U.M.W., church choir, a Sunday School teacher and other committees. She was a member of P.E.O Sisterhood Chapter BM in Belleville.

She was preceded in death by her parents, and one sister Helen Maurine (Larson) Holmgren.

She is survived by her husband Harold D. Johnson, of Belleville, three sons, Allen D. (Marcy) Johnson of Belleville, Neal W. (Susan) Johnson of Bartlesville, OK; and Randall L. (Stephanie) Johnson of Johns Creek, GA; nine grandchildren, and 17 great grandchildren..

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, March 20, at the First United Methodist Church, Belleville, with Pastor Emily Meckley, officiating. Interment at the Belleville Cemetery. Visitation until 9 p.m. on Wednesday, and from 9 a.m. until 9 p.m. on Thursday with the family greeting friends from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. on Thursday at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, the

family suggests memorials to the First United Methodist Church, Belleville or the Republic County Historical Museum.

Online condolences at www.bachelor-surber.com. Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, KS is in charge of the arrangements.

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Teena Lyn Johnston

Teena Lyn Johnston, 39, registered nurse, passed away Tuesday, June 9, 2015. Visitation with the family, 5-7 p.m., Friday, June 12, Faith Church in Valley Center. Funeral Service was held, Saturday, June 13, at the Riverlawn Christian Church.



Survivors: husband, Dave; sons, Ayden and Tyler; parents, Terrance and Teresa Weaver; brother, Tyson Weaver. Other family members are

Frankie "Jo" Sjolander, Concordia, Kansas, Perry, Tisha and Paden Johnston, Republic Kansas and Charles and Beverly Johnson of Las Vegas, Nevada

Memorial established with Faith Church, 325 N. Emporia, Valley Center, KS 67147. Downing & Lahey Mortuary West was in charge of arrangements.

Sharon K. Jensen

Sharon K. Jensen, age 81, Concordia resident, entered into rest on June 25, 2015 at Mt. Joseph Senior Village, Concordia. She was born January 24, 1939 to Daniel and Esther (Larsen) Jensen.

Funeral Services will be held 10:00 a.m., Thursday, July 9, 2015 at Chaput-Buoy Funeral Home with Rev. Jeff Nielsen officiating. Burial will follow at the Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Concordia.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, July 8, 2015 from 1:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. with the family greeting friends from 6:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. all at the Chaput-Buoy Funeral Home.

Memorial contributions may be given to Concordia Sports Complex Pee Wee Ball Fields c/o Funeral Home.

Further obituary information will follow at a later time.

Death -- Carol E. Johnson

Carol E. Johnson, 89, formerly of Courtland, died Monday, October 26, 2015.

Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, is handling arrangements

Loyd Eugene Jensen

Loyd Eugene Jensen passed away on August 12, 2015 at the age of 95.



He was born on September 24, 1919 in Norway, Kansas to Elmer M. and Katherine E. Jensen. At an early age, he and his family moved 7 miles north to Scandia, Kansas. It was here that he received his basic education, graduating from Scandia High School in 1937. After graduation, he spent a few months in Colorado and then moved to Los Angeles, California. While there, he was employed by a legal publishing company.

In May, 1941, he was drafted into the US Army. After spending several months in the Army Quartermaster Corps and several more months in the Glider Pilot Program, he entered the Army Air Corps Pilot Training Program. He graduated from the program in January, 1944, with a pilot rating and a Second Lieutenant commission. After receiving training in the B-25 Bomber aircraft at Mather AFB, California and further combat training at Columbia AFB, South Carolina, he and his crew joined the 81st Bombardment Squadron, 12th Bombardment Group in the China Burma India Theater. He remained with his unit until the end of WWII, at which time he had flown 67 combat missions.

In addition to attending several different types of aircraft training programs, he was a graduate of the Squadron Officers course, Air Command and Staff College, the Titan I Missile Program and the Minute Man Missile Program. While receiving his combat training at Columbia AFB, South Carolina, he met his future bride, Margaret E. Welch. They were married in 1946 and celebrated almost 62 years together before her death in November 2008.

Loyd continued his career in the USAF, retiring in 1971 with 30 years of service. He served in three wars: WWII, Korea, and Vietnam. He retired with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel and was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, Bronze Star Medal, Air Medal/Cluster, Commendation Medal/Cluster and 13 Theater and Campaign ribbons.

After retiring, he spent most of his time in real estate and home remodeling. He was a life member of the Military Officers Association of America, member of the Commemorative Air Force, and the Association of Air Force Missileers. He was an active participant in the annual reunions of his WWII 12th Bomb Group and 81st Bomb Squadron.

He was an avid Astros fan and enjoyed watching his grandsons play baseball from T-ball to high school and rugby, a game he did not understand but tried to appreciate.

He is preceded in death by his parents; brother, Harold; and his wife, Margaret. He is survived by one son, Lance, of Henderson, Nevada; two daughters; Carol and her husband Tim Burke of Sugar Land, Texas, and Lynda and her husband Jack Carnegie of Bellaire, Texas; one granddaughter, Sion and her husband Jaye Murray of Las Vegas, Nevada; three grandsons, Kellen and Kyle Burke and Alex Carnegie; and two great-granddaughters, Baillie and Kaitlyn Murray; and one sister, Margaret Fry of Chambersburg, Pennsylvania.

Loyd would speak to anyone, anywhere and enjoy every minute of the encounter. He left everyone he met touched, just a bit, with a sense of the truly good heart that had crossed their path. Miller Funeral Services, Houston, Texas was in charge of arrangements. Interment was held on Wednesday, August 19, 2015 at Houston National Cemetery, 10410 Veterans Memorial Dr., Houston, Texas 77038. In lieu of flowers, please make a contribution to the Wounded Warriors or the Houston SPCA in celebration of Loyd's remarkable life.



Michael (Mike) E. Johnson

Michael E. Johnson was born February 23, 1947, in Kansas City, Missouri, to Herbert and Dorothy (Gibson) Johnson. He passed from this life on Monday, September 14, 2013, as a lifelong resident of Courtland, Kansas, at the age of 66 years. Mike attended Courtland Elementary and High School and graduated in 1965. He attended Park Valley State University (PVSU) where he graduated with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration in 1969. He was employed by the American Telephone and Telegraph Company (AT&T) in Ames, Anderson, and Courtland, Kansas.

Together they had three children, Travis Michael Johnson, Jennifer Ann Johnson, and Tara Ann Johnson.

Years later, he met Margaret Christine and they were married in 1988. In 2013, Maggie became ill and Mike was with her until her passing on October 10, 2013.

In 1969, Mike began working as a staff bank examiner in Topeka, Kansas. He moved back to Courtland, Kansas, in 1973 to work for the Swedish-American State Bank with his father, Herb. He spent the rest of his life giving back to his community through his service to the people of Courtland and the surrounding area. Mike worked in all aspects of the bank and eventually served as a member of the Independent Community Bankers of America - Rural/Agribusiness Committee. He finished his career as Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer at the Swedish-American State Bank and President of the National Insurance Agency.

Mike loved taking time to connect with his family and friends. He was an avid golfer, had a passion for fishing, and was a member of the University of Oklahoma.

He was a member of Courtland Lodge No. 211 AF & AM, Courtland Knights Templar, Isis Shrine Temple and Royal Order of the Knights and a faithful member of Ada Lutheran Church, Courtland, Kansas, for over forty years. He will forever be remembered by his brothers, David Johnson, DDS, and wife, Mary Ann, Parkville, Missouri; Travis Johnson and wife, Karina, Wichita, Kansas; James Johnson and wife, Kathy, and children, Ella and Samuel, Courtland, Kansas; Renzo and husband, Scott, and children, Deborah and Jennifer, two daughters, Erin Schaffler and husband, Brett, and children, Emily and Kinsler, Spearville, Kansas; James Blacklock and husband, Carl, and children, Collin and Waylon, Dandery, Saskatchewan, Canada.

Funeral services were held at Ada Lutheran Church, Courtland, Kansas, on Saturday, September 19, with Pastor Tom Kasperoff officiating. Inurnment was in Ada Lutheran Cemetery, Courtland, Kansas.

Memorials may be made to the Pike Valley Foundation Fund c/o Swedish American State Bank.

Tibbets-Fisher Funeral Home, Belleville, Kansas, was in charge of these arrangements.

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Darlene Kopsa

Darlene Culver (Gaston) Kopsa, 76; died February 7, 2015 at the Republic County Hospital in Belleville.

She is survived by her husband Melroy of the home; daughter Micki Zenger and husband Steve, Haddam; son Lance and wife Cindy of Cuba; daughter Calise (Casi) Lahodny and husband Bryan, Montgomery TX; son Cory, Superior NE; eight grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; step brother Harold Walker and wife Dianne, step sisters Helen Bauach and husband Richard, Rosemary Bergeron, Joann Martin and husband Max, Patricia Erickson and husband Alan.

She is preceded in death by her parents, step father Christopher Walker, infant brother Orthel, half-brother O.M. Gaston, step sisters Marilyn Walker and Kathleen Schumaker, step brother Michael Walker.

She was born in Mankato to Ralph Arthur Gaston and Ethel Phillipson on June 15, 1938.

She attended school at Cuba and graduated with the class of 1956. She married Melroy Kopsa on July 29, 1956.

Funeral services will be held 10:30 a.m. Saturday, February 14 at the Presbyterian Church, Cuba, with Pastor Phil Goombi officiating. Burial in the National Bohemian Cemetery #13, rural Cuba.

Memorials to the Darlene Kopsa memorial fund.

Viewing will be 1 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday with family greeting everyone from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m..

Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville assisted with arrangements.

Virgil R. Kump

Virgil R. Kump, son of George Harrison Kump and Ruth Esther (Whitzel) Kump, was born August 13, 1924, at Jennings, Kansas, and passed away on March 26, 2015, at the Belleville Health Care Center, Belleville, Kansas, at the age of 90 years, 7 months, and 13 days.

Virgil was a long time resident of Decatur County Kansas. He graduated from Jennings High School, Jennings, Kansas, in 1943. He served with the U.S. Army during WW II.

After his honorable discharge, he married his pen pal and sweetheart from Alabama, Anne E. Miller on August 10, 1946. The couple settled on a farm north west of Jennings, Kansas. They had three daughters: Judy, Karin, and Pamela and Anne preceded him in death. On November 24, 1990, he was united in marriage to Dorothy Dake of Chester, Nebraska. They moved to Belleville, Kansas, and with this union he became father, grandfather, and great-grandfather to many. She preceded him in death on July 1, 2014.

Virgil was a long time farmer and a member of the Jennings United Methodist Church. He served on various township and farm boards. He was a member of the Jennings American Legion, serving as commander several times through the years. He was a committed member of Gideon's International, and a member of the Faith Baptist church, Concordia, Kansas.

Virgil was preceded in death by his wife Anne, and wife Dorothy, and one grandchild.

He is survived by three daughters: Judy Michaud of Holton, Maine; Karin Stayer of Sapulpa, Oklahoma and Pamela Clothier of Sylvio Kansas; four grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren; other relatives and many friends.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, March 31, 2015, at the Bachelor-Surber Memorial Chapel, Belleville, Kansas, with Pastor Rex Fuller, officiating.

Graveside services were held Tuesday at the Jennings Cemetery, Jennings, Kansas, with military rites by the Ft. Riley Honor Guard.

Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville was in charge of the arrangements

Sharron Sutton-Kearn

Sharron Kay Sutton-Kearn, 68, Concordia, died Thursday, March 19, 2015 at Salina Regional Health Center.

She was born January 30, 1947 in Pensacola FL to Joseph Benjamin Sr. and Rosalie Martin Lee.

She is survived by her husband, Donnie D. Kearn of the home; three sons: Lee White, Leland KS, Chris Sutton-Kearn, Salina, Robert Kearn, Seattle WA; four daughters: Angela Lowhand, Hampton VA, Nicole Massey, Anchorage, Alaska, Shearrea Enriquez, Salina, and Dawn Allen-Johnson, Elkhorn WI; five brothers: Nicholas Lee, Kevin Lee, Antonio Lee, Ernest Lee, Richard Lee; three sisters: Michelle Dickey, Cynthia Carter Young and Vicky Lee Young; 17 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; two

brothers, Robert Allen Lee and Joseph Benjamin Lee Jr.; two sons: Franklin White and James White.

Funeral services were March 23 at Nutter Mortuary Chapel. Burial in Pleasant Hill Cemetery. Memorials to Tammy Walker Cancer Center, Salina. Nutter Mortuary in charge of arrangements. nuttermortuary@yahoo.com.

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Diana Kasl

Diana Lynn Kasl was born August 26, 1967 in Belleville, the daughter of Michael C. and Shirley (Disney) Kasl and died at home in Belleville on Friday, June 12, 2015 at the age of 47 years.

She attended Republic County schools and previously worked as a nurse's aide.

She was preceded in death by her father Mike C. Kasl, sister Tonja Kroulik and triplet infant grandbabies.

She is survived by her fiancé Rick Svoboda, Marysville; mother Shirley Kasl and brothers Michael G. and Steve Kasl all of Belleville; sister Vicky Pursley of Georgia; daughters Nicole (Kasl) Edwards, Denver CO, Jennifer (Knoll) Waechter and Stephanie Knoll, Belleville; and four grandchildren.

A private family graveside service and interment at the Belleville City Cemetery was held Monday, June 15, 2015. Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, in charge of arrangements.

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Douglas Duane Kramer



Douglas Duane Kramer, eldest son of Donald and Sandra (Lindsey) Kramer, was born September 22, 1956, in Fairbury, Nebraska, and died Friday, April 10, 2015, in Belleville, Kansas, at the age of 58.

Doug attended school in Linn, KS, graduating in 1974. He attended NCK Vocational Technical School in Beloit, Kansas, finishing the carpentry program in 1975. He then joined his grandfather, Clarence "Jay" Gould, in carpentry in the Belleville area until Jay's retirement. He was also mentored by Lumer Hynek and Dean Walker in his carpentry work. Doug remained active as a carpenter until his death, working with his son, Ryan.

On July 30, 1977, Doug was united in marriage to Dianne Wiemers at Greenleaf, Kansas. To this union were born Jamie (Josh) Mast, Ryan (Misty Foutch), and Brett.

Doug was preceded in death by his father, Don, parents in-law Harold and Shirley Wiemers, an infant sister, Cindy, and grandparents Chester and Dorothy Lindsey, Clarence and Lois Gould, and Ralph and Millie Kramer, aunts, uncles, and a cousin, Scott.

Doug will be forever remembered by his wife of 37 years, Dianne, children Jamie and Josh Mast of Shawnee, Ryan Kramer and Misty Foutch of Belleville, and Brett Kramer of Junction City, his mother, Sandra of Washington, brothers Mike of Greenleaf, Tim and wife Dawn Kramer of Washington, Kansas, and Mary Beth Allen and husband Mose of Manhattan, Kansas. Doug is also survived by grandchildren Henry and Thomas Mast, and Chasity, Caitlynn, Carlie and Cheyenne Foutch. Doug will be missed by many other relatives and friends.

During his life, Doug enjoyed track and basketball in high school. He enjoyed farming; always wishing he could farm with his dad. He valued young children, and was a good dad to his own children, coaching baseball, leading Cub Scouts, and attending their events. He was in charge of feeding, changing, and bathing them as infants and toddlers due to Dianne working evenings.

Doug enjoyed bowling, fishing, and shooting the breeze with his friends spending many hours at "The Shed" and at Cotton and Sandy's garage, as well as at Duffy's shop on many mornings and afternoons. His favorite part of carpentry was finish work. He was so very proud of the skills he had been given by Grandpa Jay.

Doug had a brief career in politics, serving on the Belleville City Council. He was also passionate about his participation with the Belleville Fire Department. Doug would want us all to remember, "Don't sweat the small sh...!"

Funeral services were held Tuesday, April 14, 2015 at Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, Kansas. He was laid to rest in Blocker (Hickory Grove) Cemetery east of Haddam, Kansas. Donations may be made in memory of Doug to the Belleville Fire Department. Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, Kansas assisted the Kramer family with arrangements.

Marian Kallman

Marian L. Kallman, daughter of Russell L. Johnson and Lillian (Carlson) Johnson was born November 28, 1927 at Belleville, Kansas and died



on July 1, 2015 at Belleville, Kansas at the age of 87 years, seven months and three days.

She graduated from

Belleville High School in 1945.

She was united in marriage to Carl A. Kallman on December 22, 1946 and to this union two sons and one daughter were born. She was a book keeper and worked with her husband at Kallman's Travel Center in Belleville for many years.

She was a member and Past President of the VFW Ladies Auxiliary, past Worthy Matron and member of the Order of Eastern Star, Beta Delphian study club, Red Hats.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Russell and Lillian Johnson, husband, Carl A. Kallman, two brothers, Clifford Johnson, Leonard Johnson.

She is survived by one daughter, Carla (Chris) Thoman of Concordia, two sons, Paul Kallman of Scandia, Jay (Lynell) Kallman of Belleville; seven grandchildren, seven great grandchildren, one great grandchild, two sisters, Jeannie Lewis of Salina and Luella Huntley of Iola, KS.

Funeral services were July 6, 2015, Bachelor-Surber Memorial Chapel, Belleville, conducted by Rev. Emily Meckley. Interment will be in Poplar Grove Cemetery, rural Scandia. Memorials to family choice.

Online condolences at www.bachelor-surber.com. Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, KS. in charge of arrangements.

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Eugene Koester

Eugene Koester, 91, of Wymore NE died at the Wymore Good Samaritan Society, October 27, 2015. He was born December 18, 1923 in Fairbury, NE to Dietrich and Helena (Collmann) Koester, and attended Hebron High School.



He served in the Army during World War 2 between 1943 and 1946. Upon his return, he married Marcella White on June 21, 1946, and to them one daughter was born, Susan. Following Marcella's death in 1974, he married Mabel Monfelt who died in 2007.

He worked for the State of Kansas Department of Roads on a surveyor's crew, along with working for several grain elevators.

He was involved in the Beatrice American Legion and VFW Posts.

Survivors include daughter, Susan and husband Sam Kohler, of Wymore; two grandchildren; one great-granddaughter

He is preceded in death by his parents, wives, Marcella Koester, and Mabel Monfelt, sisters; Carrie, Esther, Augusta, and Viola, brothers; Garrett and Edwin, along with two infant siblings.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, October 31 at the Wymore United Presbyterian Church with Pastor Jim McNeal officiating. Interment will be at the Belleville Cemetery, in Belleville, at 2 p.m. Visitation from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday, with family greeting friends from 7 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to the service. Online guest book at www.ghchapel.com.

Laughlin-Hoebet Funeral Home in Wymore in charge of arrangements.

Donald Kasl

Donald Lee Kasl, age 80 of Chester, NE died Saturday, August 8, 2015 at the Republic County Hospital in Belleville. He



was born to William and Anna (Cherney) Kasl on October 25, 1934 at his parents' home in Wayne, KS.

He attended grade school at White country School outside of Cuba, and later went to the Kunkel country school outside of Wayne. He graduated in 1953 from Cuba High School.

He worked for the Rock Island Railroad.

He married Barbara Kleveland March 10, 1960 at the Church of Christ in Chester. They had five daughters - Dawn Rozelle, Sheila Rachele, Lisa Ranelle, Audra Roxelle and Coleen Racquelle.

The first year of marriage they lived in Belleville and later moved to the farm in Chester. He started working for his father-in-law farming in 1965.

He was baptized in February 1980 along with his three oldest daughters at the Church of Christ in Chester. He remained a member there serving as a deacon for many years until the closing of the church. He then transferred his membership to the United Methodist Church in Chester. He was also a member of the Chester Saddle Club and Chester Volunteer Fire Department.

He is preceded in death by his parents William and Anna (Cherney) Kasl. His in-laws E.H. (Shorty) and Rozelle Kleveland.

He is survived by his wife of 55 years Barbara (Kleveland) Kasl of Blue Valley Nursing Home, Hebron; daughters, Dawn (Raymond) Wit of Chester, Sheila (Stan) Wissel, Bennet, NE, Lisa (Bob) Davis, Beatrice, NE, Audra Kasl (Joel Mahin) of Courtland, and Coleen (Jim) Cherney of Chester; 15 grandchildren, seven great grandchildren; sisters, Wilma Janousek, Salina, KS and Shirley (Ben) Free, Formoso.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday, August 12 at the United Methodist Church in Chester, officiant Pastor Mark Baldwin. Memorials to the Chester Volunteer fire department, Chester Ambulance Service, Chester United Methodist Church.

Bachelor-Faulkner-Dart-Surber Funeral Home of Belleville, is in charge of arrangements.

Bernadine L. Kindel

Bernadine L. Kindel, 87, died Sun., Aug. 16, 2015 at her home in Concordia. She was born on June 29, 1928 in Aurora, KS to Francis and Marie (Girard) Cote.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William "Bill" Kindel on Aug. 25, 2003.

She is survived by daughters; Anna Marie "Amber" Charbonneau (Ray), Dewey, OK, Anita LaBarge (Mark), Aurora, Gloria Blackwood (Steve), Clay Center and Linda Kindel, Concordia; sons; Eugene Kindel (Kathy), Aurora, Donald Kindel (Geraldine), Victoria, David Kindel (Jan),

Carthage, MO, Raymond Kindel (Jolene), Aurora, Stephen Kindel (Susan), Aurora, Richard Kindel (Sheri), Aurora and Daniel Kindel (Robin), Alma; sister, Theresa Begnoche, Aurora; brother, Wilfred Cote, Denver, CO; 34 grandchildren; 66 great grandchildren and two great great grandchildren.

She was also preceded in death by three brothers and four sisters; grandsons, Donald Kindel, Jr. and Joshua Kindel.

Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m., Thurs., Aug. 20, at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church with Rev. Brian Lager officiating. Burial at St. Concordia Cemetery. Visitation until 9 p.m. with a Vigil service at 6 p.m. Wed., Aug. 19, 2015 at Chaput-Buoy Funeral Home, Concordia. Memorials to Meadowlark Hospice in care of the funeral home. For online condolences, please visit www.chaputbuoy.com

Kay Keating

Kay Marie Keating, 74, died Aug. 16, 2015, at her home. She was born Dec. 29, 1940, in Topeka, to John Joseph and Marie Irene (Dennis) Minihan, and



raised in Belleville.

Kay graduated from Belleville High School in 1958 and went on to Salt City Business College. She was a mother and homemaker. She also was a secretary for Borton Inc. and Reno County Public Works, retiring in 2006. She loved to quilt and was part of the Quilting Bee and was a parish member of St. Teresa's Catholic Church.

On Jan. 9, 1971, she married Joseph Leo Keating in Emporia. He survives. Other survivors include: children, Terri Shurtleff of Wichita, Doug Spitler of McPherson, Rick Spitler and wife Amy of Hutchinson, Joey Keating and wife Sarah of Russellville, Ark.; grandchildren, Kristie, Ryan, Lexie, Katie, Courtney, Abby and Emily; great-grandchild, Connor; brother, John Joseph Minihan Jr. and wife Dotty of Las Vegas, Nev.; and numerous cousins, nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents.

Parish rosary will be at 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 20, 2015, and funeral Mass 11 a.m. Friday, Aug. 21, 2015, at St. Teresa's Catholic Church, Hutchinson, with Father Michael Maybrier presiding. Burial will follow in Fairlawn Burial Park, Hutchinson. Friends may call from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesday and from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday at Elliott Mortuary, Hutchinson. Memorial contributions may be made to Trinity Catholic Junior/Senior High School in care of Elliott Mortuary, 1219 N. Main, Hutchinson, KS 67501.

Ron K. Kauer



Ron K. Kauer, son of Idan Neal Kauer and Doris Ann (Benyshek) Kauer, was born June 12, 1961, at Belleville, Kansas, and passed away on December 12, 2015, at Cuba, Kansas, at the age of 54 years.

Ron attended kindergarten in Belleville, and then attended school in Brighton, Colorado, graduating from Brighton High School in 1979. He then attended Colorado Aerotech at Broomfield, Colorado, from July 1979 until October of 1980 when he received his A&P License. Ron was a helicopter mechanic from 1980 until 2014, working for aviation companies in Colorado, Idaho, Alaska, and Mexico.

Ron moved to Cuba, Kansas, in 2012 and had recently worked at Wal-Mart at Concordia, Kansas.

Ron was united in marriage to Cindy Luchinetti at Juneau, Alaska, and three children were born: Tamara, Milan, and Erich. The couple was later divorced.

Ron enjoyed rock climbing and the Camaro cars. He was a member of W.F.L. A., the Republic County Czech Club, and a former Elks Club member.

He was preceded in death by his sister, Janet Kauer in 1974.

Ron is survived by his children, Tamara Kauer of Lewiston, Idaho, Milan Kauer and Erich Kauer both of Denton, Texas; his parents, Idan and Doris Kauer of Cuba, Kansas, one brother, Randy (Noel) Kauer of Cuba, Kansas; one niece, Samantha Casella, of Darien, Connecticut, and one nephew, Justin Kauer, of Cuba, Kansas; other relatives, and many friends.

Cremation was selected and memorial services were held Saturday, December 19, 2015, at the Bachelor-Surber Memorial Chapel, Belleville, Kansas, with Pastor Harvey Farnsworth, officiating.

Inurnment followed at the National Bohemian (Kopsa) Cemetery, rural Cuba, Kansas.

Memorials are suggested to family choice.

Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, Kansas, was in charge of the arrangements.

Fredda P. Lash

Fredda Pauline (Morgan) Awalt-Lash, daughter of Fred and Gladys (Dodge) Morgan, was born August 2, 1929 at home in rural Republic County, and died Friday, March 27, 2015 at Sunset Assisted Living in Concordia, at the age of 85 years.

She grew up in Republic County, graduating from Belleville High School in 1947. She received her Registered Nursing degree and spent her entire professional career in nursing at St. Joseph

Hospital, Concordia, retiring after 30+ years.

She was united in marriage to Elmor LeRoy Awalt on November 9, 1947. To this union three children were born: **Melissia, Samuel, and Steven**. He preceded her in death in 1978.

She married **Floyd Lash** on August 2, 1979 and he to preceded her in death in 1992.

She was also preceded in death by her parents **Fred and Gladys**; her siblings **Arletha Taylor** and **Jerry Morgan**; and great grandsons **Warren** and **Elliot Awalt**.

She is survived by her children, **Melissia "Mitch" Awalt, Sam (Betty) Awalt, and Steven (Rona) Awalt**; six grandchildren; numerous great and great-great grandchildren; siblings **Bernetha Sasser, Jack (Francie) Morgan, Alyce Amanda Honeycutt, and Cheryl (Steve) Eickmann**.

Memorial were held 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, April 1, 2015 at Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville. Family inurnment will take place later beside her husband **Elmor LeRoy** at Pleasant Ridge Cemetery near Norway. Memorials to the Republic County Historical Museum.

Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Edna Lervold

Edna Lervold, 82, died on April 16, 2015 at Sunset Nursing Home in Concordia. She was born on June 1, 1932 to **Ovid Alcid** and **Dora Emma (Schille) Deneault**.

She married **Dale Lervold** on Aug. 8, 1953 in Concordia. He preceded her in death on March 16, 2004. She attended Notre Dame High School, Concordia. She was a homemaker. She was a member of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church in Concordia.

She is survived by her son, **James (Lois) of Concordia**; three grandchildren and one great grandchild, all of Concordia.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; sons, **Mark** and **Gary**; sister, **Barbara Jager** and brother, **Dale Deneault**.

A Mass of Christian Burial was April 20, 2015 at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church, Concordia with Rev. **Brian Lager** officiating. Burial at St. Concordia Cemetery. In lieu of flowers the family suggests memorials to Meadowlark Hospice in care of the funeral home. For online condolences, please visit www.chaputbuoy.com.



Kristopher James Lewis

Kristopher James Lewis, the son of Micheal Logan Lewis and Ariel Mercedes Graham, was stillborn May 11, 2015 at the Republic County Hospital, Belleville, KS.

Kristopher is survived by his parents, grandparents, great grandparents, aunts, uncles and other relatives.

Private graveside services and interment will be held at Riverview Cemetery, Scandia, KS on Saturday, May 30. Memorials are suggested to the Kristopher James Lewis Memorial.

Online condolences www.bachelor-surber.com. Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, KS is in charge of the arrangements.

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Verl S. Larson

Verl S. Larson, 87, Belleville, died, October 13, 2015 at the Republic County Hospital in Belleville.

He was born October 1, 1928 in Jamestown, to August and Ella (Lundsted) Larson. He left school to help with the farm. Later he completed his GED and went on to work as an engineering tech for the Kansas Department of Transportation where he was employed for over 40 years.

On October 18, 1952 he married to Eloise Johnson in Concordia, and they had one daughter, Jean Ann.

He was active with the Jaycees and worked for

Dolores Lewis

Dolores (Bouska) Lewis, 83, of Topeka, formerly of Belleville, died July 18, 2015.

Graveside memorial services will be at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, Aug. 1, 2015, at the Pleasant Ridge Cemetery, rural Norway.

Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, is in charge of the arrangements.

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many years with the Kansas Jr. Miss pageant.

He is survived by his wife Eloise of their home; daughter Jean Ann and her husband Robert Jaramillo of Carrollton, TX; two granddaughters; sister Virginia and her husband Ed Smith of Bellevue NE.

Funeral services were held Friday, October 16, at the American Lutheran Church of Belleville. Burial in Belleville City Cemetery. Memorials to the Republic County Hospital Long Term Care Center or the American Lutheran Church of Belleville.

Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, assisted with arrangements.

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Rebecca R. Linder



Rebecca R. Linder, age 52, passed away July 31, 2015, at home with her loving family by her side. She was born in Belleville, Kansas, on September 13, 1962, the daughter of Max and Lois (Nisley) Larkins. She married John Linder on May 16, 1992, in Chester, Nebraska.

Rebecca worked as a Physical Therapist at Centegra Health Care for 23 years. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in McHenry, a Sunday school teacher for twelve years and a Logos counselor for three years. She loved the outdoors, hiking the mountains in Colorado, gardening and feeding her birds. Rebecca was an avid reader of mysteries and loved watching classic movies.

She is survived by her husband John; daughters, Hannah and Emma Linder; step-mother, Evelyn Larkins; parents-in-law, Orival and Jean Linder; and brothers, Jim (Shelly) Larkins, Duane (Kathy) Larkins, Kenneth (Glenda) Larkins and Dale Larkins.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

The memorial service was held Thursday, August 6, 2015, at First United Methodist Church, 3717 W. Main St., McHenry IL 60050.

A local memorial service will be held Tuesday, August 11, 2015, at the Chester United Methodist Church 11:00 a.m., Chester, Nebraska.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Rebecca's name to First United Methodist Church.

Randall Labarge

Randall "Randy" Lee Labarge, 54, died August 4, 2015 at his residence in Oklahoma City OK. He was born to Ernest Charles and Lorene (Baxa) Labarge in Concordia.

He is survived by three daughters, Shannon Snapp, Monterey, CA.; Amy Snapp, Austin, TX.; a Son, Jeremy Snapp of Marquette, KS; mother, Lorene Brumbalov (Wayne), Abilene, KS.; three brothers, Jeffery Labarge, Hildreth, NE.; Roger Labarge, Lincoln, NE.; David Labarge, Emporia, KS.; two step-brothers, Jerry Ackerman, Robert Ackerman, step-sister, Lori Ackerman one grandchild.

He was preceded in death by his father, Ernest Charles Labarge, twin daughters, Andrea and Elizabeth Labarge and grandparents, Charlie and Mary Labarge.

Cremation has taken place, and a family memorial service will be held at a later time. Inurnment in the St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery, St. Joe, Kansas. Memorials to Kansas Children's Service League in care of Chaput-Buoy Funeral Home, Concordia. For

online condolences visit
www.chaputbuoy.com

Jesse E. Latham

Jesse Earl Latham, Republic, was born June 30, 1934 in Antlers, OK to Gladys (Plunkett) and Earl E. Latham, and died Tuesday, August 25, 2015 in Superior, NE at 81 years after a short bout with cancer.

The oldest son of eight children, he was raised in Southeast Oklahoma where he spent his school years. At 14 he left his family home to make his way in the world and started working in a saw mill in the Jemez Mountains, New Mexico building cabins and where he was introduced to the trucking industry.

He married Phyllis Wheatley in Albuquerque, NM November 30, 1955. They raised six children, Jeanne Lynn, Donald Earl, Richard Lee, Steven George, Jesse Stuart and Darrell

Gene.

He drove for many different trucking companies over the years and in 1977 they formed Jesse Latham & Sons Trucking Company in Republic, which is still active today.

He is preceded in death by his parents, infant brother Harold Dean, sister Bernice (Sis) Morgan, brother Jerry Wayne and one son Richard Lee.

He is survived by his wife Phyllis, Republic, KS, daughter Jeanne Latham, Olathe, KS, sons Donald (Cindy) Latham, San Jose, CA, Steve (Harlya) Latham, Belleville, Jesse S. (Joni) Latham, Republic, Darrell Latham and Cheryl Harris, Oklahoma City, OK; six grandchildren, and one great granddaughter; his siblings, Gene (Kathy) Latham, Albuquerque, NM, Ruth Kimbrell, Fritch, TX, Sue (Clyde) Powell, and Sherrie (Roddy) Lummus, Shamrock, TX.

His wishes were to be cremated and have no services. A family/friends memorial will be held at a later date. Tibbets-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, Kansas is in charge of arrangements.

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Thomas Larry Lovewell

Thomas Larry Lovewell, 79, of Port Charlotte, passed away December 13, 2015. Tom was born June 17, 1936, in Lovewell, Kansas, to Thomas W. and Mildred (Ballard) Lovewell.

Survivors include : wife, Anneliese, of the home; sons, Orrin Lovewell (Becky), of Olathe, Kansas, and Bill Lovewell (Lori) and Tom Lovewell (Robin), all of Hays, Kansas; daughters, Rhonda 'Susie' Lovewell, of Bethany, Louisiana, Dawn Gabel (Alan), of Lake Quivira, Kansas, Prairie Lovewell of Olathe, and Jane Young (Mike), of Hays; stepson, Edward Reinert (April) and stepdaughter, Donna Reinert (fiancé, James Swänger), all of Port Charlotte; and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Preceded in death by: parents and first wife, Norma Jean.

The Lovewell families were former residents of Courtland.

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Gladys M. McCracken

Gladys Marie (Bednar) McCracken, daughter of Joseph Bednar and Stella Elizabeth



(Kauer) Bednar, was born on the family farm on October 24th, 1924, 1 & 1/2 mile west of Cuba Kansas, and passed away on January 5th, 2015, at the Republic County Hospital in Belleville, Kansas, at the age of ninety years, two months and 12 days.

She received her formal education in the one room country school house of Silverthorne, only 1/4 mile from her home, which could and was a perilous walk during dust storms and blizzards.

Gladys spent only two occasions away from her lifelong home and community of Belleville moving to Chicago, Illinois, during WWII to fulfill her greatest generation commitment by working in a bomb factory and also lived for several years in Klamath Falls, Oregon, during the early years of her marriage.

On June 29, 1947, she was united in marriage to Warren V. McCracken and they enjoyed and

shared 67 wonderful years of marriage together! To this union two children were born, Alesia and Randy.

Her duties as wife and mother kept her busy and happy throughout her life. She enjoyed her additional work in the meat department at the local Food Mart which afforded her the opportunity to help people, as well as talking, making friends and forming relationships with numerous people.

Her passion in addition to family was her beautiful and productive garden that she maintained for over 60 years. Gladys was indeed a "Master Gardener" and spent countless hours in her garden providing vegetables which was enjoyed by so many.

Most likely her favorite role was that of grandmother. A loving and caring grandmother, she was always eager for her grandkids to visit her home where she gave them her undivided attention. Each grandchild had their own favorite "dish" that she prepared specially for them!

She was preceded in death by her husband, Warren McCracken on July 31st, 2014, her parents, Joe and Stella Bednar and one brother, Norman Bednar.

She is survived by one daughter, Alesia (David) Stroh of Midwest City Oklahoma, one son, Randy (Cam) McCracken of Manhattan Kansas; seven grandchildren, Kelly (Christopher) Lair of Arlington Texas. Debbie (Scott) Williams of Edmund Oklahoma, Rebecca (Pat) Neal of Norman, Oklahoma, Spencer (Valerie) McCracken of Mission Kansas, and Joanie (Joshua) Balwanz of Overland Park, Kansas, Wendi Marcum and Mike Stroh of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; 16 great-grandchildren; two sisters, Maxine Clark of Olathe, Kansas, Georgene Surber of Belleville Kansas and one brother, George Bednar of Pueblo, Colorado, nieces, nephews, other relatives and many friends.

Funeral services were held January 9, 2015, First United Methodist Church, Belleville, Kansas, conducted by, Pastor Emily Meckley and Pastor Kathy Aeillo.

Interment was in Belleville Cemetery, Belleville, Kansas.

Memorials may be given to Family Choice.

Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, was in charge of arrangements.

Patsy A. McDonald

Patsy A. McDonald, 82, of Topeka, passed away Tuesday, January 6, 2015, at Aldersgate Village, Topeka. She was born October 8, 1932, in Atlanta, Nebraska, the daughter of G.L. and Mazie Henline.

She married Joseph N. McDonald in 1951. They were married 53 years. She was a devoted wife, loving mother, grandmother and great-grandmother.

Patsy is survived by four children, Jeff and wife Nancy, of Salina, James and wife Lori, of Belleville, Cathy Strosnider and husband Preston, of Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, and Kelli McKenzie and husband Jon, of Topeka. She is also survived by her brother, Royce Henline; 12 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Patsy graduated from Chillicothe Business College. She worked most of her career with County Clerk's offices, as deputy County Clerk in Republic County and as Shawnee County Clerk for 14 years.

She was active in the Republican Party and served on numerous boards and charitable organizations in the area. She was a member of first United Methodist Church. Patsy enjoyed life; she was an avid KSU Wildcat fan, loved cooking, golf, painting, entertaining and, most of all, her beloved family.

Patsy was preceded in death by her husband, Joseph; her sister, Joyce; and Jim Ingram, whom she married in 2006.

Memorial services were held Saturday, January 10, at Penwell-Gabel Southwest chapel, 3700 SW Wanamaker Road, Topeka.

Evelyn Miller

Evelyn Miller, daughter of Frank H. Stinson and Gladys (Noble) Stinson was born April 22, 1923 at Republic and died on May 4, 2015 at Lake Placid FL at

the age of 92 years and 12 days.

She was united in marriage to Oliver P. Miller on April 11, 1946 and to this union two children were born, Phyllis and James.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Frank and Gladys Stinson, husband, Oliver P. Miller and one infant sister.

She is survived by one son, James (Debra) Miller of Sebring FL, one daughter, Phyllis Fager of Omaha NE; seven grandchildren, 14 great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held May 11, 2015, Bachelor-Surber Memorial Chapel, Belleville, KS, conducted by Pastor Kathy Aeillo. Interment in Courtland Cemetery. Memorials to family choice. Online condolences and information at www.bachelor-surber.com. Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, in charge of arrangements.

Richard Dee Milner

Richard Dee Milner, 71, Silver Lake, died February 15, 2015. He was born November 29, 1943, at Belleville, the son of Max and Eileen Milner.

Dick worked for United Van Lines for over 20 years and retired as a self-employed over-the-road truck driver.

He was married to Sandra Dicke, who preceded him in death.

Surviving are three sons: Richard Eugene Milner of Towanda, John Milner of Bushong, and Scott Milner of Joplin, MO; a sister: Marcia Milner of Silver

Lake; two brothers: Robert Milner of Topeka and Jeff Milner of Derby; and three grandchildren: Chelsea, Dylan, and Alyssa Milner.

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Funeral services will be at 10 a.m., Friday, February 20, 2015, at Penwell-Gabel Parker-Price Chapel, 245 NW Independence Avenue, Topeka. Committal services will be at 1 p.m. Friday, at Bushong Cemetery, Allen.

Dick will lie in state after 3:00 PM, Thursday, at the funeral chapel where the family will receive friends from 6:30 to 8 p.m..

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association, 6900^S College Blvd., Suite # 250, Leawood, KS 66211.

To leave a special message for the family online, visit www.PenwellGabelTopeka.com.

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**Oliver Wendell
Markland, Jr.**

Oliver Wendell Markland, Jr., age 86, who was a resident of Baton Rouge, LA, passed away on Thursday, February 12, 2015.

Oliver was retired from the Army after 20 years of service and retired from Sears after 30

years of service. He was also a past commander of Post 38 in the American Legion. Oliver is survived by his loving wife of 66 - years, Phoebe Markland; two daughters and sons-in-law, Julie Marie and Bryan Howard, and Stephanie Jayne and Rob Holder; seven grandchildren, Christopher Bryan, Andrew Thomas, Katie Marie, and Hannah Elizabeth Howard, Drew Oliver, Abby Lou, and Sara Jayne Holder; three great-grandchildren, Paisley Marie Howard, Matthew Oliver and Mark Alexander Holder; step-mother, Flora Markland; and cousin, Gloria Johnson. He is preceded in death by his parents, Wendell and Allie Markland, Sr.; and grandparents, T.P. and Sarah George, and Ira and Jessie Markland.

Funeral services was held February 16, at Resthaven Funeral Home, Baton Rouge LA. Honorary pallbearers are the members of the Executive Board of the American Legion Nicholson Post 38. Interment will take place at a National Cemetery at a later date. Family and friends may sign the online guestbook or leave a personal to note the family at www.resthavenbatonrouge.com. Resthaven Gardens of Memory and Funeral Home 11817 Jefferson Hwy, Baton Rouge, LA, is in charge of funeral arrangements.

Rose Mary McHugh

Rose Mary McHugh, 89, died Wednesday, February 4, 2015. She was born on April 2, 1925 near Wayne,

Kansas to Mike M. and Rosa (Kopsa) Kasl. She graduated from Agenda, Kansas High School and taught

at Silverthorne Country School. She Married Kenneth E. McHugh on October 21, 1945 at the farm home of her parents near Wayne, and they moved to Tulsa, Oklahoma where she began a 37 year long career working for Russell Stover Candies. The couple spent most of their married life in Wichita, where she became manager of the Russell Stover Candies' store downtown. She later was promoted to supervisor of the Midwest retail stores, a position she held until her retirement from Russell Stover. In 1960, she was named Woman of the Year by the 3-D Chapter of American Business Women, having served as president of that organization in 1958-59, vice president in 1957-58, and on numerous chapter committees. Rose Mary and her husband were Wichita State Shockers basketball

season ticket holders for many years, co-owned a cabin on Table Rock Lake in Missouri, and traveled extensively. She loved to dance and was a member of the Midwest Polka Club, a business women's organization, and also the Epworth United Methodist Church in Wichita. She was preceded in death by parents; her husband, Kenny; two brothers, Bill Kasl and Joe Kasl; two sisters, Helen (Kasl) Havel and Lourine (Kasl) Krob. She is survived by numerous nephews and nieces and their families whom she adored. Funeral services were February 9 at Lakeview Funeral Home, 12100 E. 13th Street, Wichita, Kansas. Memorial Contributions may made to Good Shepherd Hospice, 7829 E. Rockhill, Ste 403, Wichita, KS 67206.

For more information and to leave condolences go to: www.MyLakeviewFuneralHome.com.

Allen Millen

Former area resident Allen Dean Millen was born Feb. 8, 1936 in Belleville and succumbed to cancer Feb. 20, 2015 at his home. His parents, Howard Glen Millen and Velda Loraine (Banks) Millen named him after his great-grandfather who fought in the Civil War. He grew up on the family farm in Republic and graduated from Republic High school and Kansas State University. His first position was with the USDA in Appleton, WI. While attending graduate school at the University of Wisconsin he met and married Patricia Korsan. His career with the Army Air Force Exchange Service moved his family to the Philippines, Hawaii, Germany, the states of TX and WA before settling in Arlington, TX. After retiring from AAFES, Allen built a successful second career as a real estate broker.

After the passing of Patricia, he became reacquainted with Judy (Mai) Colebank whom he had first met in 1957 while interning in Garden City. They were married in 2002 and made their home in Overland Park. He is survived by wife Judy, daughter Michelle (Farshid Mohammadi), daughter Christine (Kurt) Hahn, 4 grandsons, sister Janet (Wayne) Schrock, brother Arlo (Sherry) Millen, 5 nephews, 5 stepchildren and their spouses, 9 step-grandchildren, and several cousins.

The memorial service in Wesley Chapel at Church of the Resurrection, 13720 Roe Ave., Leawood, KS 66224 on March 7 at 11:30 a.m. will be live-streamed to Allen's home church, Republic United Methodist Church in Republic, KS with reception following. Memorials may be made to either church or to the scholarship he founded, the Allen D. Millen Elite Agriculture Scholarship, fund 079490, KSU Foundation, 2323 Anderson Ave., Suite 200, Manhattan, KS 66502. (ARR: Cremation Society of KS & MO, 913-383-9888)

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Lawrence W. Matherly

Lawrence Wilbur Matherly son of John Delbert Matherly and Dorothy Eileen (St. John) Matherly was born September 15, 1936 at Eldorado KS and died on June 18, 2015 at Corner Brook Place in Kansas City MO at the age of 78 years, nine months and three days.

He was united in marriage on August 12, 1956 to Elizabeth Ann McCracken and they had one son Lawrence Lee Matherly.

He worked as a printers helper and later as a gardener in the lawn and garden services.

He was preceded in death by his parents, John and Dorothy Matherly, wife, Elizabeth Ann Matherly, one son, Lawrence Lee Matherly

He is survived by his sister-in-law, Nancy C. Blue of Kansas City MO, nieces and nephews.

Cremation was selected. Graveside inurnment services will be held 2 p.m., Saturday, July 11, at the Belleville Cemetery, Belleville, conducted by Pastor Bruce Burfield.

Online condolences at www.bachelor-surber.com. Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, in charge of arrangements.

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Thomas E. McClellan

Thomas Earl McClellan, 87, of Belleville, died Wednesday February 25, 2015 at the Republic County Hospital, Belleville.

He was born on June 28, 1927 in Denmark,

KS to Anna Christina (Stephenson) and James Adison McClellan.

He grew up in Lincoln KS and graduated from Lincoln High School. After high school he joined the United States Army and served during World War II.

He was united in marriage to Virginia Clark on September 9, 1950 in Lincoln KS and to this union was born two daughters Julie and Kristina.

Tom had several jobs throughout his life including a police officer in Salina, managing a dry cleaner in Lawrence, KS, salesman for C.D. Smith Drug Company based in St.

Joseph MO, salesman for Melton Motor Company in Belleville, and U.S. Deputy Marshall.

The family moved to Belleville in the early 1960s and later bought Jack and Nora's Cleaners and Shoe Store and renamed it to Holiday Cleaners.

He formed the band Tommy's Western Swing Sounds and played in many different dance halls for numerous organizations around the Belleville area.



He was a member of Masonic Lodge No. 129, Belleville, NCK Shrine Club, Isis Temple of Salina; V.F.W. Post 3722, American Legion Post 133, and the Belleville Country Club.

He was preceded in death by his parents, wife Virginia in 1998, and daughter Julie Bowen in 2006; sisters Ora Christine Edwards, Cora Fern Wesseloh, half brothers and sisters Esther Gibbs, Arnold Hansen, Dagmar Hein, Virginia Carpenter, Virgil Hansen.

He is survived by his daughter Kris (Roger) James of Belleville, friend Maggie Book of Salina, seven grandchildren, six great-grandchildren; son-in-law William Bowen, Belleville

Memorial services will be held on Saturday, March 7 at 3 p.m. at the Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville. Inurnment will be at a later date in Lincoln Cemetery, Lincoln, Kansas.

Memorials may be made to the family's choice

The family will greet friends and family at the Belleville Country Club, where Tom was a member for a number of years, following the service.

Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, assisted with arrangements.

Mary Mumford

Mary Edith Mumford, the daughter of Ed Berry and Kathryn (Ewing) Berry Marrs,

was born on September 1, 1944 in Denver CO and died on April 19, 2015 at the Bryan LGH

Medical Center East at Lincoln NE at the age of 70 years, seven months, 18 days.

She attended schools in Nelson and Riverside, CA. She was a 50-plus year member of the United Methodist Church and the United Methodist Women in Chester NE.

She was a member of the Red Hats Club, serving on the Chester Hubbell Byron and Thayer Central school boards.

She was preceded in death by her parents Ed and Kathryn; sister Donna Kay Buss and brother Ed Berry and son Christopher Eugene Mumford.

She is survived by her husband Bill; sons Tony and wife Cindy of Lincoln NE; and Bruce and wife Rachelle of Augusta GA; five grandchildren.

Funeral services were held April 28 at the United Methodist Church in Chester with Pastor Mark Baldwin officiating. Inurnment in the Chester Cemetery, Chester NE. Memorials to the United Methodist Church in care of the family.

Condolences may be sent to Megrue-Price Funeral Home, 750 N Commercial, Superior, Nebraska 68978 or in care of www.pricefuneralhomes.com.



Winifred K. McEuen

Winifred K. McEuen, age 96, entered into rest on March 17, 2015 at the Sunset Nursing Home in Concordia, Kansas.



She was born August 7, 1918 in Damar, Kansas to Frances Xavier and Evelina

Mary (Saindon) Barland.

Winifred attended school in Damar High School. She graduated from Ft. Hays State University with a Bachelor's Degree. She taught elementary school in Osborne, Alton, Densmore, Great Bend, Delphos, Leoville, Damar, Scandia and Courtland. Winifred retired from teaching to take care of her mother.

She is survived by her son, Mike McEuen (Mary Kay), Concordia, KS; sister, Mary Ann Keas, Littleton, CO; 5 Grandchildren, Channin McEuen, Concordia; Kalan McEuen (Christina), Naples, Italy; Kristin Higbee (Guy), Concordia, Brian McEuen, Queens, NY.; Darran McEuen (Jacqueline), Las Vegas, NV; 8 Great-Grandchildren, Logan and Austin Higbee, Michaela, Victoria, Marissa and Kolden McEuen and Gabriel and Alexis McEuen.

Winifred was preceded in death by 3 sisters, Marjorie Barland, JoAnn Hlavaty, Twila Rohlfing; 3 brothers, Bernard, Clifford and Vernon Barland.

A Memorial Mass Service will be held 10:30 a.m., March 28, 2015 at the St. Joseph Catholic Church in Damar, Kansas, with Father Henry Sawlone presiding. Inurnment will follow in the St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery, Damar, Kansas.

For online condolences may be sent to www.chaputbuoy.com

Grace K. Melton

Grace Kellogg Melton, the daughter of Benjamin Kellogg and Sophia (Lutz) Kellogg, was born Oct. 5, 1917 at Lecompton, KS, and died on July 1, 2015 at the Salina Regional Health Center, Salina, KS at the age of 97 years, eight months, and 26 days.

She graduated from Lecompton High School in 1934. She entered Kansas State University on a Union Pacific scholarship. After graduating she became the Home Economist in Marion County for three years. She later returned for a

second bachelor's. and a master's degree.

On January 23, 1942, she was united in marriage to Harold Thomas Melton of Tecumseh KS. He secured a Chevrolet dealership in Belleville, KS in 1944.

To this union was born three sons and one daughter: Jerry, James, Joan, and John.

She taught school for 23 years.

She was an active member of the Belleville Presbyterian Church where she served as an elder and a deacon. She was a past President of PEO, a 4-H leader, and was active in many civic affairs. She was the food director for the POW Camp at Concordia, KS during W.W. II.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, Harold of 69 years, a sister, Elsie Richardson and a brother, John Kellogg.

She is survived by three sons and one daughter: Jerry (Linda) Melton and James (Linda) Melton, all of Belleville, Joan (Jon D) Thayer of Abilene, KS, and John (Missy) Melton of Olathe, KS; 12 grandchildren, and 17 great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held July 4 at the United Presbyterian Church, Belleville with Pastor Robert H. Frasier, officiating. Interment at the Pleasant Hill Cemetery, rural Belleville, KS. Memorials to the Presbyterian Church, Belleville or the Historical Society, Lecompton, KS. Online condolences at www.bachelor-surber.com Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, KS is in charge of the arrangements.

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Dean Mitchell

Dean Howard Mitchell was born December 15, 1927, to Howard Charles and Frances Arlene (Erkenbrack) Mitchell on his parents' farm in Republic County, Kansas, and died Monday,

June 1, 2015 at the Imperial NE Manor Nursing Home in Imperial.

He was 87 years of age.

He attended rural grade school and Republic High School. He continued his education at Kansas St. College, where he played football and was a member of the ROTC. As a Staff Sargent, he marched his platoon for President Dwight Eisenhower.

On August 30, 1948, he married Evelyn Rasmussen at Belleville. The couple made their home in Republic where he farmed with his dad and she worked at the post office. In February 1950 the couple moved to Nebraska and replaced his uncle Earl Erkenbrack on the North Maddox Ranch as renters. In 1964 they bought a ranch and moved into Imperial. In early 1965 the couple bought Bab's Cafe. He farmed during the day and cut meat at night and joined many organizations including the Ike's, Eagles, and Lions Club, which he was a member since 1971.



He was a member of the United Methodist Church of Imperial. He served as mayor of Imperial from 1986 to 2002, member of the Chase County Fair Board, Chase County Economic Development Board, and a member of the Blanch School Board. He coached little league and started the T-ball program in Imperial.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Jack and Arlene.

Survivors include: wife: Evelyn of Imperial, NE; daughters: Cynthia Cady and husband Jim of Blue Springs MO, Debra Nix and husband John of Maui, Hawaii, and Marcy Nesbitt and husband Mike of Imperial; son: Douglas Mitchell and wife Shelley of Imperial; seven grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held June 5, 2015, at the First United Methodist Church of Imperial with Pastor Valera Heydenberk officiating. Interment at Mount Hope Cemetery, Imperial. Memorials to the Imperial Public Library Foundation and the Imperial Lion's Club. Online condolences at liewerfuneralhome.com

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Robert E. Munson

Robert E. Munson, Jr. age 47 of Belleville died August 15, 2015.

A graveside inurnment service will be held at 1 p.m., Saturday, November 14 at the Washington Cemetery, rural Republic, Kansas.

The cemetery is located on County Road 100 south of Byron, Nebraska.

Cremation services were chosen and friends may sign a register book at Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, Kansas who is handling arrangements.

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Cheryl McMullen

Cheryl Jean (Hancock) McMullen, 66, was born on January 26, 1949, in Red Cloud, Neb., to Lowell E. and Doris Lorraine (Koch) Hancock. She died July 15, 2015, at her home in Courtland.

She grew up on a farm near Esbon. She graduated from Esbon High School in 1966 and went on to Beloit Vocational School where she studied business and received her business certificate.

She was married to David James McMullen on Nov. 6, 1981. They raised four children at their rural Courtland home.

She worked at Maher Grain, Courtland City Office as city clerk, and later she owned and ran her own business. She was involved for many years on the Courtland Fun Day committee, Pike Valley PTO, Courtland PRIDE Club, and the American Legion Auxiliary. She was a member of St. Edwards Catholic Church, Belleville.

She was preceded in death by her father, Lowell Hancock; mother-in-law Lydia

McMullen; father-in-law James McMullen; and brother-in-law Pat McMullen.

She is survived by her husband of 33 years; mother, Doris Hancock of Esbon; sister Carol (Roy) DeWitt, of Linn Creek, Mo.; Connie (Ron) Aspegren, of Courtland; brother Doug (Karen) Hancock, of Esbon; daughter JoAnne (Jeff) Filinger, of Cuba; son Richard (Kasey Hanel) Frost, of Baldwin City; daughter Elizabeth (Chris) Herron, of Gardner; James (Mary Carlington) McMullen, of Ft. Riley; and nine grandchildren.

Funeral services were July 21 at St. Edwards Catholic Church in Belleville with Fr. Brian Lager officiating. Burial was at Prairie Home Cemetery, Esbon.

Memorials may be made to the Cheryl McMullen memorial fund. Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, was in charge of arrangements.

Robert Munson, Jr.

Robert Eugene Munson, Jr., 47, Belleville, was born December 3, 1967. After missing for two weeks, he was found August 15, 2015 near Clyde.

He was born to Robert E. Munson, Sr. and Valerie (Winters) Munson in Honolulu, Hawaii at the Tripler Military Hospital.

After attending school in Hawaii and Nebraska, he made his home in Belleville. He was a painter by trade and has painted several homes in Belleville.

Survivors include his father, Robert Munson, Sr. and stepmother Cheryl Eastep of Pittsburg KS; son Larry Munson of Albion NE and daughter Nikki Munson of Fresno, CA; brothers Brad Munson of Manhattan, and Scott Munson of Norfolk, NE; two sisters, Donna Munson of Waianae, Hawaii and Robin Rayno of Guthrie OK; step sisters Marlo Hiller, Pittsburg, Melissa Brown, Carleton, NE, and Jamie Blake, Belvidere NE, Carmalita Ines, Ruby Ines of Hawaii; five grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his mother Valerie Holden and his sister Tracy Munson.

Funeral arrangements are with Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home in Belleville.

Graveside inurnment services will be Saturday, November 14, 2015 at 1 p.m. at the Washington Cemetery, rural Republic.

A memorial service will be held at the Pittsburg American Legion Post #64 on Sunday, August 23 at 6 pm. All family and friends are invited to attend.

Merlin "Jerry" Murray

Merlin "Jerry" Murray, 90, died Friday, September 4, 2015, at Mitchell County Hospital, Beloit. Jerry was born August 15, 1925, in rural Webber to James and Nettie (Diamond) Murray.

Jerry celebrated 69 years of marriage to his high school sweetheart, Marjorie Bangs. They were married May 26, 1946. To this union, three children were born.

Jerry was a graduate of Montrose Rural High School and taught and coached in various locations in Kansas. He was an elementary teacher in the Courtland schools circa 1943. He carried forth his love of sports in refereeing football and basketball and coaching baseball. His greatest love was following University of Kansas basketball with his best friend, Sam Wagner, a former student. Many hours were spent writing statistics and discussing strategies during the games.

Upon retirement in 1987, from Coffeyville, they moved to Mankato. During retirement, they took many trips and worked in the community with Lions Club, Meals on Wheels, the Thrift Shop, the church, and selling tickets for Rock Hills High School games.

He was preceded in death by his parents, James and Nettie Murray; and siblings, Aaron Murray, Virginia Hanson, Eugene Murray, Russell Murray, Eunice Hughes and Charles Robert Murray.

Jerry is survived by his wife, Marjorie, of the home; daughter, Sylvia and husband Dwayne Drews, of Afton, Oklahoma; sons, Bruce and wife Teresa Murray, of Rose Hill, and Mark Murray, of Kansas City, Missouri; two grandchildren, Ryan Reiman and Trevor Reiman; six step grandchildren, three great-grandchildren and eight step-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, September 8, at Harmony Methodist Church, Mankato.

Audrey D. Mallam

Audrey Deane (Hillan) Mallam, age 89, died Sunday, November 29, 2015, at Salina Regional Health Center, Salina, Kansas. She was born on July 29, 1926, in Concordia, Kansas, to Edward W. and Goldie M. (Parsons) Hillan.

She grew up in Concordia and graduated from Concordia High School in 1944.

She married Charles B. Mallam on July 29, 1945 at the home of her parents. Born to this union were Karen Kay, Ronald Dean, Robert Steven and Susan Elaine.

"Chuck" and Audrey lived briefly in Concordia and were transferred to Clyde in the early 1950s where they raised their family. "Chuck" worked for Kansas Power & Light and Audrey was a homemaker. Audrey later worked as a cook at Park Villa Nursing Home in Clyde. In 1993, they moved back to Concordia to enjoy their retirement and be closer to their grandchildren.

"Chuck" preceded her on December 8, 2006.

"Chuck" and Audrey loved square dancing and were members of the Aurora Starlighter Square Dance Club. They thoroughly enjoyed following their grandchildren's activities in all sporting events and were their biggest cheerleaders. Audrey enjoyed the FW Club, Clyde Lions Club, Jolly 17 Circle and the United Methodist Women's group. She also enjoyed working with crafts, always finding something to paint.

Her greatest joy was her family, in particular, the great grandchildren. She loved cooking large meals for both family and friends for the holidays and gatherings. She had fifteen grandchildren and two step-grandchildren, twenty-five great-grandchildren and six step-great grandchildren and one great-great grandson.

She is survived by her sons, Ron Mallam and wife, Pat, Kearney, Nebraska, and Bob Mallam and wife Glenda, Yukon, Oklahoma, and daughter, Susan Jackson, and husband, Jim, Concordia.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, "Chuck"; daughter, Karen Appleby; sister, Phyllis Tate; four brothers, Kenneth, Marion "Pat," Edward Lee and Elbert and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Thursday, December 3, 2015, at Chapat-Buoy Funeral Home, Concordia, with Pastor Al Paredes officiating. Burial followed at Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Concordia. The family suggests memorials to Rebecca A. Morrison House or Lions International Foundation in care of the funeral home.

Robert E. Munson

Robert E. Munson, Jr. age 47 of Belleville died August 15, 2015.

A graveside inurnment service will be held at 1 p.m., Saturday, November 14 at the Washington Cemetery, rural Republic, Kansas.

The cemetery is located on County Road 100 south of Byron, Nebraska.

Cremation services were chosen and friends may sign a register book at Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, Kansas who is handling arrangements.

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Marvin Lee Nelson

Marvin Lee Nelson of Mankato, Kansas, son of John and Hilda (Anderson) Nelson was born on the family farm, one mile south of Courtland, on March 31, 1925. He was the youngest of eight children. Marvin was baptized and confirmed in the Ada Lutheran Church, rural Courtland. He attended Courtland Grade and High School and graduated in 1943. He married Ila Tobias, August 17, 1947. They are the parents of three children, Eric, Lisa, and Kendall.

Marvin and Ila lived on a farm southwest of Courtland for eleven years and then moved to a farm northwest of Formoso. Ila's great-grandfather had owned this farm and today Marvin's and Ila's youngest son, Kendall, lives on it. Marvin was quite proud that his farm has been in Ila's family for six generations. Farming was Marvin's true vocation. He loved all aspects of it, the planting, harvesting, and taking care of the livestock. Even in the bad years and there were some of them, he always looked forward to next year, "it will be better." Some of these bad years he worked on the Lovewell Dam, worked in Wichita for a landscaping company, and was a feed salesman. But the farm was his true love and occupation. Marvin retired from farming when he was 80 years old, because of failing eyesight and he and Ila moved to Mankato. Marvin still kept the telephone line busy talking to Kendall about the crops and cattle and offering advice and calling Eric to see how his vineyard and the landscape business was doing. Lots of advice. Marvin always had some advice for Lisa, regardless what she was doing at the time. He enjoyed keeping track of his family by visiting with them on the phone. And now his grandsons are following in his and their Dad's footsteps as farmers and he is so proud that they chose to be farmers.

Marvin and Ila joined the Courtland Methodist Church after their marriage. He helped with a Sunday School class when his children were in Sunday School.

He was on the finance committee for the building of the new church and later when they purchased a different parsonage. After moving to Mankato, he transferred his membership to the Mankato Harmony United Methodist Church. Health problems kept him from attending church in Mankato. Marvin enjoyed watching the church services from the Wichita United Methodist Church on the TV every Sunday morning.

Marvin was preceded in death by his parents; infant sister-Lenora; and sisters-Arden Toftoy, Blanche Nelson; brothers-Chester, Harold, Rudolph, and Russell. He is survived by his wife-Ila of 67 years; sons-Eric and wife, Teresa Nelson of Lincoln, Nebraska, Kendall and wife, Sandy Nelson of Formoso, Kansas; daughter- Lisa and husband, Todd Goodheart of Glen Elder, Kansas; granddaughter-Amanda and husband, Brian Walker of Lincoln, Nebraska; grandsons-Jared and Tricia Nelson and Jason Nelson all of Formoso, Kansas; Great-granddaughter-Aubry Walker; great-grandson-Isaac Nelson; sister-in-law-Lucille Nelson of Topeka, Kansas; nieces; nephews; cousins; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Marvin passed away Saturday, January 31, 2015, at his home in Mankato, Kansas, at the age of 89 years, and 10 months.

A celebration of life service for Marvin L. Nelson was Tuesday, February 3, 2015, at 2:00 p.m. at the United Methodist Church, Courtland, Kansas, with Pastor Kathy Aeillo of the Courtland United Methodist Church, and Pastor Gerry Sharp of the Harmony United Methodist Church, Mankato. Casket bearers were: Eric Nelson, Kendall Nelson, Todd Goodheart, Jason Nelson, Jared Nelson and Delton Blecha. Interment was in the Caldwell Cemetery, 302 L Road, Formoso, Kansas. Memorials in honor of Marvin L. Nelson may be given to Solomon Valley Hospice, Beloit, Kansas, or Jewell County Hospital, Mankato, Kansas. Melby Mortuary, Mankato, Kansas, was in charge of arrangements.

Eleanor Navis

Eleanor Eileen (Rieke) Navis was born August 17, 1922 to George Alfred and Maude (Childs) Rieke on the farm that her great-grandfather Gaylord Childs' homesteaded in Republic County.

She died March 29, 2015. She was 92.

She attended Liberty Center school through the 8th grade and then attended and graduated from Chester High School. Upon graduation she took some additional classes that prepared her for teaching, which she did for several years in various rural schools.

On January 17, 1947 she married William Ivan Navis. Three sons were born to this union, John Michael, William Layne, and Joel Anthony.

In 1947 she joined the Chester United Methodist Church and was active in U.M.W., teaching Sunday school, VBS, and in later years became a leader of Stonecraft Bible Studies.

She was preceded in death by her husband Bill, grandson Elliott, parents George and Maude Rieke, sisters Esther Moxham and Marjorie Dugger.

She is survived by her sons John (Christina) Omaha NE, William "Bill" (Christine) Belleville and Joel (Dawn) Seward NE, four grandchildren; two brothers Duane (Marilyn) and Zachariah (Gail).

Funeral services will be held 2 p.m., Saturday, April 4, 2015 at the United Methodist Church, Chester, NE with Pastor Mark Baldwin officiating. Burial in Chester City Cemetery. Memorials to the Methodist Church or The Samaritan's Purse.

Visitation will be 1 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday with family greeting friends from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. at Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville.

Harold Noble

Harold Ivan Noble, son of Guy and Mattie (Hunzeker) Noble, was born June 3, 1926 at Belleville, and died March 25, 2015 at the Republic County Hospital at the age of 88 years.

He attended and graduated from the Belleville public schools. In his early years, he helped around his father's and uncle's barber shop shining shoes. He worked for Floyd Simms at the green house. He worked in construction for a few years until he was employed at Harber's Ice Plant. He was a route delivery driver for the remainder of his working years.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sisters Mable Wakefield and Esther Gray; and brother Lloyd Noble.

He is survived by his sister Violet Awalt; 10 nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held March 28 at Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, with Pastor Mark Imel officiating. Burial in the Belleville City Cemetery. Memorials to the Republic County Long Term Care.

Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, in charge of arrangements.

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Glenn Pelesky

Glenn Leonard Pelesky, only child of John E. and Josephine (Josie) Pavlik Pelesky, was born May 6, 1914 on the family farm in Haddam township, Washington County, Kansas address, Narka, and died April 19, 2015 at the Belleville Health Care Center, Belleville, at the age of 100 years, 11 months and 13 days.

He attended Horseshoe Country School and Haddam Rural High School graduating in 1931. He played baseball for many years on the Narka area team.

On June 8, 1938, he was united in marriage to Marcelene Louise Junek at Concordia, and they resided on the family farm where he was born. To this union three children were born Darwin, Jean, and Kayleen. She died on November 1, 1965.

On July 17, 1976 he was united in marriage to Ruby Lyons Strumfa at Haddam. She died February 12, 2008.

He was a lifelong farmer stockman and active in the community and school affairs serving on the school boards of Haddam Grade school for 10 years and North Central USD #221, 12 years as treasurer of the board. After moving to Haddam in 1971 he served 17 years on the city council and was mayor for six years; Haddam Pride chairman for 10 years, the Masonic Lodge, Belleville Lodge #129 for 67 years, and Salina Isis Shrine for 38 years.

He was preceded in death by his parents, both wives, and his son Darwin on January 25, 2004.

He is survived by his two daughters, Jean (Roger) Novak and Kayleen (Douglas) Wilkinson, daughter-in-law, Linda Pelesky (J.D.) Friess; eight grandchildren: 11 great-grandchildren; two step-daughters, Debbie (Gary) Sinn and Linda (Grant) Tarman, four step-grandchildren; five step-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Thursday, April 23 at 2 p.m. at Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home in Belleville. Visitation will be Wednesday, April 22 from noon to 8 p.m. with family receiving friends from 6 to

8 p.m. at Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home. Burial will be in the National Cemetery near Narka. Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home of Belleville, in charge of arrangements.

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Leonard Poley

Leonard Cortez Poley Jr., 61 Belleville, formerly of Washington County, was born on May 18, 1953 and died on March 31, 2015.

He is survived by his son Christopher (Tiffany) Poley, one granddaughter; brother Les Poley, sister JaneAnne Poley.

Graveside inurnment services will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, April 25, 2015 at the Greenleaf Cemetery. Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, in charge of arrangements.

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Cecil L. Pierce

Cecil Lon Pierce was born January 24, 1928 in Beatrice, Gage County, NE to Venus and Marie (Blum) Pierce and died Monday, May 11, 2015 at the Belleville Health Care Center at the age of 87 years.

He was raised on a farm near Reynolds, Nebraska and attended country school until he went to Reynolds High School and graduated in the 1945-1946 school year. He served in the National Guard for seven years and was a Lance Corporal.

He married Peggy Nutsch May 24, 1953 in Fairbury, and together they raised nine children. He made most of his living shearing sheep and sheared all over

the Midwest. He farmed in the Reynolds, Hubbell and Narka areas in his early adult years. He built and owned the Pierces' tavern in Byron NE for seven years until he moved to Mankato, Kansas where he built and owned the Hideaway Supper Club which was the first private club in Jewell County. In 1979 the family moved to Jenkins MO and then in 1983 returned to Narka and he and Peggy operated a grocery store and restaurant for nearly 20 years.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers V. John Pierce and Clifford W. Pierce; daughter Charline Snyder; granddaughter Jessica Alcorn; daughter-in-law Cathy Pierce, and special friend Shelia Shoemaker.

He is survived by his wife Peggy; sister Carol McKenzie; sons Jeff (Erlina), Henry (Kim), Clifford (Beverly), and Matt (Linda); daughters Susan Holmes, Angelia "Gilly" (Roger) Reiter, Andrea (Thomas) Held, and Beth (Michal) Svoboda; 28 grandchildren; 42 great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held May 16 at Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville. Burial in National Cemetery, rural Narka. Memorials to the Narka Fire Department or Booster Club.

Phillip Purinton

Phillip Ray Purinton, 68, was born on December 4, 1946, in Wichita, Kansas. He passed away unexpectedly after a short illness on May 31, 2015. He was a lifelong Wichitan, graduating from North High and Southwestern College. He proudly served six years in the Kansas National Guard. He was employed as a technical writer at Boeing and Learjet, from which he retired. He was an avid golfer, photographer, sailor, car enthusiast and people person. He will be greatly missed by family, friends and anyone he met.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Ivan and Irene Purinton, and brother, Clifford. He is survived by his wife, Dr. Michelle Klaumann; and daughters, grand-children, sister and

extended family members. Rosary was recited on Friday, June 5 with a Celebration of Life Service, Saturday, June 6 at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church, 1321 N. Stratford Ln, Wichita, Kansas. Services were attended by Dr. Klaumann's family: Marcia Klaumann, Belleville and Brian Vazquez and Teri Klaumann, Topeka and Bailey Vazquez, Lawrence.

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Charles "Chuck" Peters

Charles Lee Peters "Chuck," 69, passed away Wednesday, June 17, 2015, at his home in McPherson, Kansas. He had been a McPherson resident since 1994, moving from Loyal, Wisconsin.



Chuck was born November 13, 1945, in Berwick, Pennsylvania, the son of Franklin J. and Eleanor L. (Roper) Peters. He was a graduate of Nescopeck High School, Nescopeck, Pennsylvania, Central College, McPherson, Kansas, Greenville College, Greenville, Illinois, and Western Evangelical Seminary, Portland, Oregon, where he earned a Master of Divinity degree

On July 4, 1972, Chuck married Colleen M. Vanderhoof at Nescopeck, Pennsylvania

Mr. Peters was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force enlisting in 1964 after his graduation from high school. He attained the rank of Tech Sergeant, as a crew chief on C-130 cargo planes. Following seminary, he completed Officer's Training and served as a Chaplain until he retired a Colonel in 2005. He served in Vietnam, Desert Storm and Iraqi Freedom at various locations including France, England, Germany, Turkey, Greece, Spain, Thailand, The Philippines, and Qatar.

In addition to his career in the military, "Chuck" was also an ordained minister in the Free Methodist Church of North America and the Evangelical Covenant Church. He pastored Free Methodist churches in St. Regis Falls, New York; Osborne, Kansas; Manhattan, Kansas; Loyal, Wisconsin; and Winfield, Kansas; the Nazarene Church in Herington, Kansas; and 15 1/2 years at the Covenant Church in Courtland, Kansas. "Chuck" taught at Elyria Christian School, Newton Christian High School, and in the Excel program at Central Christian College. His employment at Central also included one year in the Development Office, and 15 years in the maintenance department.

Survivors include: his wife, Colleen, of the home; a son, David Peters of Wichita, Kansas; two daughters, Rachel Giles (Marshal) of McPherson, Kansas; and Sarah Ekeland (Justin) of Newton, Kansas; five grandchildren, Daniel, Ryan, and Casey Giles, and Judah and Alexis Ekeland; brothers, Franklin "Sonny" Peters (Gladys) of Berwick, Pennsylvania, John Peters (Marilyn) of Fort Worth, Texas; and a sister, Catherine "Sis" Swartz of Pottstown, Pennsylvania.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a brother, Harold "Jake" Peters, and a stillborn daughter, Ginger Lee Peters.

A memorial service will be held at 9:30 a. m. Monday, June 29, at the Courtland Covenant Church in Courtland, Kansas. Graveside service with military honors will take place at 3:30 p. m. (also on Monday) at McPherson Cemetery, with Rev. Tom Mayse officiating.

Memorial donations may be given to the Courtland Covenant Church or Central Christian College of Kansas in care of Stockham Family Funeral Home, 205 N. Chestnut, McPherson, KS 67460. Personal condolences may be sent to the family at www.stockhamfamily.com.

Phillip Purinton

Phillip Ray Purinton, 68, was born on December 4, 1946, in Wichita, Kansas. He passed away unexpectedly after a short illness on May 31, 2015. He was a lifelong Wichitan, graduating from North High and Southwestern College. He proudly served six years in the Kansas National Guard. He was employed as a technical writer at Boeing and Learjet, from which he retired. He was an avid golfer, photographer, sailor, car enthusiast and people person. He will be greatly missed by family, friends and anyone he met.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Ivan and Irene Purinton, and brother, Clifford. He is survived by his wife, Dr. Michelle Klaumann; and daughters, grand-children, sister and

extended family members. Rosary was recited on Friday, June 5 with a Celebration of Life Service, Saturday, June 6 at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church, 1321 N. Stratford Ln, Wichita, Kansas. Services were attended by Dr. Klaumann's family: Marcia Klaumann, Belleville and Brian Vazquez and Teri Klaumann, Topeka and Bailey Vazquez, Lawrence.

Joyce B. Patrick

Joyce B. Patrick, daughter of Carl Florell and Myrtle (Thoss) Florell was born January 21, 1929, Rural Courtland, Kansas, and passed away on July 27, 2015, at Belleville, Kansas, at the age of eighty-six years, six months and six days.



Joyce attended Kackley Grade School and graduated from Courtland High School with the Class of 1947.

She was united in marriage to Floyd Goddard and he passed away in 1956 and later she was united in marriage to Howard E. Patrick on August 7, 1960.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Carl and Myrtle Florell, husbands, Floyd Goddard and Howard E. Patrick, step-daughter, Elaine Clark, step-great-granddaughter, Ava Olivia Patrick, brother, Curtis Florell.

She is survived by one step-daughter, Diane (David) Dolinar of Wichita, Kansas., one step-son, Anthony "Tony" (Becky) Patrick of Salina, Kansas, son-in-law, Eugene Clark of Jewell, Kansas., five step-grandchildren, Amy Patrick (Matt) Stamm of Wichita, Kansas, Brian (Sarah) Dolinar of Champagne, Illinois, Wes Dolinar of Denver, Colorado, John (Mary) Clark of Buhler, Kansas., Steve (Alecia) Patrick of Olathe, Kansas., six step-great-grandchildren, one brother, Robert (Idonna) Florell of Lincoln, Nebraska, nieces and nephews, other relatives and many friends.

Funeral services were held Saturday, August 1, 2015, Ada Lutheran Church, rural Courtland, Kansas, conducted by Pastor Thomas Kamprath. Interment was in Ada Lutheran Cemetery, rural Courtland, Kansas.

Memorials may be given to Ada Lutheran Church.

Online condolences and information at www.bachelor-surber.com

Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, Kansas, was in charge of arrangements.

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Faye Homolka-Rizek

Faye E. Homolka-Rizek, Topeka, formerly of Belleville, KS, 97, died April 23, 2015.



She was born Feb. 5, 1918 at Belleville, Ks, the

daughter of Peter and Minnie (Hall) Wineinger.

She attended Pleasant View, Dist. #2 Elementary School and graduated from Belleville High School in 1936.

She married Charles Homolka August 9, 1938 at Belleville. He died April 15, 1978. She married Al Rizek May 23, 1981. He died May 20, 1994.

Survivors include two sons: Kay (Jean) Homolka of Eudora, KS, and Raymond (Jo) Homolka of Farmington, NM; a daughter Beverly (Gerald) Ronnebaum of Topeka, KS; six grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren, six great-great-grandchildren; a step-daughter, Kayleen (Dick) Herrema of Goodyear, AZ; a step-son Roger (Kathy) Rizek of Belleville; five step-grandchildren and five step-great-grandchildren; and a sister, Velma Bobo of Harlingen, TX.

She was preceded in death by a grandson, Michael Homolka; two brothers, Ray and Glenn Wineinger; and a sister, Edna Freeman.

Mass of Christian Burial was April 28, St. George's Catholic Church in Munden, KS., conducted by Father Brian Lager. Interment at St. George's Catholic Cemetery, rural Munden, KS.

Online condolences and information at www.bachelor-surber.com. Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, KS. in charge of arrangements.

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Richard R. "Rich" Roush

Richard R. "Rich" Roush, 44, of Formoso, beloved son, father, brother, uncle and friend, died Thursday, February 19, 2015, at Cloud County Health Center, Concordia, from complications due to a sudden illness.

Rich was born May 14, 1970, in Grand Island, Nebraska, and was a longtime resident of Formoso and Courtland. He worked at Walmart in Concordia, but also worked as a welder, a laboratory assistant and handyman in Kansas, Nebraska and Missouri.

He is survived by his daughters, Danielle Roush and Jordan Roush, of Courtland; his mother, Elsie

Roush, of Nebraska City, Nebraska; brother and sister-in-law, Robert and Becky Roush, of Formoso; father, James Roush, of Ionia; brother, Ronald Roush, of St. Joseph, Missouri, and Allen Sramek, of Hays; nieces, Samantha Sramek, of Hays, and Lauren and Levi Roush, of Formoso; and aunt and uncle-in-law, Alice and Daniel O'Neill, of Nebraska City.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, February 24, at Formoso Community Church, Formoso, with Pastor Gene Little officiating. Burial was in Balch Cemetery, Formoso.

Merwyn D. (Cap) Renz

Merwyn Dean Renz, the oldest son of Ebel C.H. "Dick"

and Hazel (Larsen) Renz, was born on August 11, 1930 on his parent's farm south and east of Ruskin

NE, and died on April 22, 2015 at the Parkview Haven Nursing Home at Deshler, Nebraska at the age of 84 years, eight months, 11 days.

He was baptized at home on August 27, 1930 by Pastor Anders Hansen and was confirmed at rural Bethany Lutheran Church on May 27, 1945, being a lifetime member of the church.

He attended rural schools in the Ruskin and Hardy area and Ruskin High School.

In January 1950 he joined the Air Force during the Korean Conflict, and was stationed at England Air Force Base, Alexandria, LA, and sent overseas to Chaumont Air Base, France in 1952.



He and Mary Lou James were married in Wiesbaden, Germany, on February 18, 1948. They lived in Chaumont until his discharge from the service in November 1953 at which time they returned to Ruskin. To this union three sons were born, Timothy Dean, Danny James, and Scott Christian.

He was engaged in farming and the rucking business in the Ruskin area.

He was a member of the Ruskin American Legion. He also served on the Ruskin School Board, Ruskin Fire Department, Bethany Lutheran Church Board.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

He is survived by his wife of 62 years, Mary Lou of Ruskin; sons Tim of

Lincoln NE, Dan and wife Janet of Ruskin NE; and Scott and wife Carman of Grand Island NE; five grandchildren; eight great grandchildren; brother Berdon "Cork" Renz and wife JoAnn of Deshler, NE and sister Judy Werner and of Carleton NE.

Funeral services were held April 25 at the Bethany Lutheran Church in Ruskin NE with Pastor Jonathan Jensen officiating. Interment with full military honors in the Spring Creek Cemetery at Ruskin. Memorials to be designated at a later date.

Condolences may be sent to Mcgrue-Price Funeral Home, 750 N Commercial, Superior, Nebraska 68978 or in care of www.pricefuneralhomes.com.

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She married Charles Homolka August 9, 1938, at Belleville. He died April 15, 1978. She married Al Rizek May 23, 1981. He died May 20, 1994.

Survivors include two sons: Kay (Jean) Homolka of Eudora, Kansas, and Raymond (Jo) Homolka of Farmington, New Mexico; a daughter Beverly (Gerald) Ronnebaum of Topeka, Kansas; six grandchildren; fifteen great-grandchildren; six great-great-grandchildren; a step-daughter, Kayleen(Dick) Herrema of Goodyear, Arizona; a step-son Roger (Kathy) Rizek of Belleville, Kansas; five step-grandchildren and five step-great-grandchildren; and a sister, Velma Bobo of Harlingen, Texas.

She was preceded in death by a grandson, Michael Homolka; two brothers, Ray and Glenn Wineinger; and a sister, Edna Freeman.

Mass of Christian Burial was held Tuesday, April 28, St. George's Catholic Church in Munden, Kansas, conducted by Father Brian Lager. Interment will be at St. George's Catholic Cemetery, rural Munden, Kansas.

Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, Kansas, was in charge of arrangements.

Opal Georgina Ames Rosproy

An inurnment service will be held at 2:30 p.m. at Pleasant Ridge Cemetery near Norway on Monday, May 25, 2015, for Georgina (Gina) Rosproy who passed away Monday, February 16, 2015, in Salina KS.

Born on May 30, 1924 in Rydal KS, she was predeceased by her parents Howard and Evalyn Bockoven Ames, sisters Maxine Plambeck and Florence Hammer, brother Floyd Ames, daughter Cheryl Rogers and grandson Kelly Mead.

Surviving siblings are sisters Blanche Haptonstall, Dorothy Hale and Evelyn Miller and brothers Willard and Dale Ames.

Her surviving children are Pamela, Debra, Douglas and Michael, all of Kansas.

Georgina married Robert F. Rosproy in June 1944. They raised their family in McPherson. They divorced in 1986.

She then worked as a stock clerk at Bortons in Hutchinson KS, and while semi-retired lived in Manhattan and Belleville her last 25 years.

Her brother Floyd Ernest Ames, who died December 26, 2014, in Concordia was also cremated and his inurnment will also be at the same time and place with Pastor Mark Imel of Belleville officiating.

All guest are welcome to attend for either individual.

Duane L. Rieke

Duane Lee Rieke was born November 10, 1927 to George Alfred and Maude (Childs) Rieke on the farm that his great-grandfather Gaylord Childs homesteaded in Republic County, and died May 8, 2015 in Belleville.

He attended Liberty Center School and Chester High School, graduating in 1945.

He served in The United States Army Air Corps and was stationed in Okinawa, Japan. When he returned to the states he attended Kansas State University, graduating in 1953 with a degree in agronomy.

He married Marilyn Baumfalk December 22, 1957 in Beatrice NE.

He spent much of his life working as a soil scientist for the USDA Soil Conservation Services, taking him and his family around Oklahoma, Nebraska, and Kansas before finally settling back home in Belleville, KS.

He is preceded in death by his parents George and Maude Childs Rieke, brother Keith Rieke, sisters Ester Moxham (Dale), Eleanor Navis (Bill Sr.), and Marjorie Duggar (Victor).

He is survived by his wife Marilyn of the home, brother Zachariah (Gail) of Santa Fe, NM, daughters, Lora of Belleville, Ann Leabo (Chad) of Kansas City, MO, and sons Dan (Kate) of Lenexa, KS, and

Daryl (Kay) of Belleville; six grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held 10 a.m., Saturday, May 16, 2015 at the American Lutheran Church, Belleville, Kansas with the Reverend Thomas Kamprath officiating. Interment in Chester City Cemetery, Chester NE. Visitation will be held Friday 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. with family greeting family and friends from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the funeral home. Memorials to The American Lutheran Church in Belleville, or the Belleville, KS Public Library.

Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville in charge of arrangements.

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Gene Richardson

Raymond Eugene "Gene" Richardson, 85, Belleville, died Saturday, June 20, 2015, at Republic County Long Term Care.

He was born on August 22, 1929, in Hebron NE the son of Harley and Dorothy Richardson.

He enlisted in the US Army on May 11, 1948 and was honorably discharged as a Master Sargent on May 10th, 1954. He served in the Korean conflict and received the Bronze Star

Medal on August 30, 1951 and awarded the Korean Service Medal on March 28, 1952.

He married Grace Woodman on November 14, 1954 in Hebron. She survives.

He retired after 45 years of being a butcher and working for Bogarts/Food Mart in Belleville.

In 2012 he was able to participate in an Honor Flight to Washington D.C. with fellow Korean and World War II veterans.

He is survived by his wife Grace of the home; one son, Charles (Donna) Richardson of Glenwood IA; three daughters, Peggy (Randy) Patton of Meriden KS, Julie Richardson of Belleville, and Lisa Lewis of King City, OR; five grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; two sisters; Carolyn Baldwin in Ada, IA and Janet Friend in Sioux City, IA, five brothers; Bob of Brighton, CO, Don and John in Belleville, Gary in Belvidere, NE. and Willie in North Platte, NE.

Tibbetts-Fisher Funeral Home, Belleville, is in charge of all arrangements.

No funeral services will be held. A private celebration of Gene's life will be held at a later date. Memorial contributions may be made to Meadowlark Hospice, 709 Liberty, Clay Center, Kansas 67432, or to the Jackson Heights Honor Flight Program, Jackson Heights High School, 12719 266th Rd., Holton KS 66436.

Jerry Roe

Jerry Alan Roe, 58, Beloit, Kansas, died July 6, 2015, at his home.

He was born January 16, 1957 in Belleville, Ks to Lonnie and Elda Jean (Robbins) Roe. He was raised in Belleville and graduated from Belleville High School in 1975. In 1980 he took a job with the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company in Concordia, but transferred to their Beloit office in 1985 and worked for them until his retirement in 2010.

He was preceded in death by his mother Elda Jean and his sister, Kathy (Roe) Butler.

Survivors are his wife Donna, of the home, sons Jerrod and wife Sarah Roe of Wichita, Ks; and Justin and wife Nicole, of Savannah, Ga; stepchildren Jeremy and wife Sonya Sanborn, of Hutchinson Ks; Jaime and Jeff Lewis,

Beloit Ks; Jordan and Jacob Farwell Beloit, Ks; his father Lonnie and wife Betty Roe, Axtell, Ks, brother Kenny and wife Tammie Roe Herington, Ks; mother-in-law; Loretta Hutchison, Beloit, ks; four grandchildren, three stepgrandchildren.

Memorial services were held July 11, at Schoen Funeral Home and Monuments, Beloit, Ks with interment at Elmwood Cemetery, Beloit. Memorials to MCHHS Nursing Department and Solomon Valley Eagles Club. Online condolencesschoenfhm.com

Larry Dean Rundus

Larry Dean Rundus, son of Elmer Charles Rundus and Ann Josephine (Spurney) Rundus, was born in Belleville, KS on June 16, 1945 and departed this life on July 12, 2015 at the age of 70 years and 27 days.

Larry was educated in the Pleasant View and Spring Hill grade schools in rural Republic County and graduated from Belleville High School in 1963. After high school, he attended Fairbury Junior College and Emporia State Teacher's College where he graduated with a degree in Elementary Education.

Upon graduation from Emporia State, Larry taught in Jetmore, KS, until he was drafted and served with the US Army in Southeast Asia. Upon completion of his tour, Larry taught in Holton, Ks and Satanta, KS where he met the teacher he would marry.

On June 17, 1972, Larry was united in marriage to Leora Kay Younce in Anthony, KS and they continued to teach in Satanta. In 1974, they returned to Republic County, buying the Duane Johnson farm. Two sons blessed this marriage, Lance Dean in 1975 and Laine Charles in 1977. The first of his daughters, Debra Lynn Johnson joined the family marrying Lance in 1994 and the second, Melissa Kay Vopat, married Laine in 2000.

Larry had great love for his family and found real joy and satisfaction in farming. He was a willing worker and served his township on various committees. He was proud of the Czech heritage and loved sharing it with his family. He appreciated his First Baptist Church family and was a willing participant in any task asked of him. He was well known for his love and knowledge of Case Equipment. There wasn't much he could not fix. In later years, the Munden Coffee Club was a source of enjoyment where he was happy to help prepare and set up. Much more could be said about this man but it was his wish to keep things simple and remind those of us left behind to prepare ourselves to meet the Lord.

Larry was preceded in death by his father, Elmer (1960), his mother Ann, (1970), his brother Paul (1983), his mother-in-law, Geneva Younce (1991), father-in-law Floyd Younce (1997), sister-in-law, Sharon Rundus (2002) and beloved aunt, Rose Sterba (2013).

Larry will be greatly missed by his wife Leora, of the home; son Lance and family on Munden, KS; and son Laine and family of Manhattan. He was a loving granddad to Eleazar, Ahava, Benaiah, Asher, and Eliana. He was Henry's adoring grandpa.

He will be missed also by brother-in-law, Eldon (Karen) Younce; nephews, nieces, cousins, and Barbara Anne Newcomb (Gary Lightfoot), sister, though daughter of Rose and Frank Sterba.

Cremation was selected and memorial services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, July 18, 2015 at the First Baptist Church, Belleville, KS with Pastors Bruce Burfield and Ray Berry, officiating.

Inurnment will follow the services at Tabor Cemetery, rural Munden, KS.

Friends may sign the register from 1 to 9 p.m. on Friday at the Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home.

Memorials are suggested to the First Baptist Church or family choice. Online condolence may be sent to www.bachelor-surber.com. Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, KS is in charge of the arrangements.

Bonnie Rightmeier

Bonnie R. (Kadavy) Rightmeier, Concordia, daughter of Frank and Emma (Rundus) Kadavy, was born on March 8, 1919 in Munden, and died at the age of 96 on Wednesday, September 16, 2015 at Republic County Hospital, Belleville, KS.

She graduated from Munden High School in 1937. She graduated from Ottawa University where she sang in the choir and earned her Bachelors of Arts degree in 1941.

She taught at Montrose Rural High School, Arkansas City and at Belleville High School for 32 years until she retired in 1981.

She married Leon Rightmeier May 26,

1946. To this marriage, two children were born, Jeanette in 1947 and Eldon in 1951. They were married for 65 years until his death on Feb. 11, 2012.

She spent the years following retirement in Concordia. She was involved in The Baptist Church activities.

She is survived by her daughter-in-law, Lorna Rightmeier, Meridan; five grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; sister, Sylvia Shoemaker (Paul), Munden.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Leon; daughter, Jeanette Rightmeier-Hysom; son, Eldon; her parents; sisters, Karla Kadavy and Helen Joy and a brother, John Kadavy.

Services were held September 19 at The Baptist Church with Rev. David Fabarez officiating. Burial was at the Pleasant View Cemetery, Montrose.

The family suggests memorials to Republic County High School or NCK Teens for Christ in care of the funeral home.

For online condolences, please visit www.chaputbuoy.com.

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Hazel M. Runft

Hazel Marie Runft, daughter of Peter and Hilda (Sallman) Rasmussen, was born September 9, 1923 in San Acacio, Colo., and died Saturday, November 7, 2015 at Belleville Healthcare Center in Belleville, at the age of 92 years.

Her family lived on farms in the Republic and Scandia areas, south of Concordia and in San Acacio. She attended schools in these areas and graduated high school in San Acacio. Following high school she moved with the family to Concordia where she worked for the wife of the Cloud County Sheriff, at Duckwalls, and at the Cloud County Co-Op.

On February 24, 1945 she married Donald William Runft in Washington. Their first home was on a farm south of Rydal. Later they moved to a farm southwest of Scandia. After retirement they moved into the community of Scandia. The couple farmed and in 1956 began raising Charolais cattle.

She was a member and officer of the Town & Country Extension Unit, active with the Scandia United Methodist Women, a volunteer at Svensk Butik, served on the Republic County Extension Council, and was a clothing leader for the Sherdahl Boosters 4-H Club.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband of 65 years, Donald in 2010; daughter-in-law Judith Ann Runft; son-in-law Ellis Gowing; sister Maxine Marcotte.

She is survived by her children Myron Runft and wife Cheryl, Belleville; Donna Martinson and husband Gail, Junction City, Sharon Gowing, San Angelo, TX, and Bruce Runft and wife Stacey, Scandia; 13 grandchildren; 18 great grandchildren; sister Ruby Larsen.

Concordia.

Celebration of life services will be held 11 a.m. Thursday, November 12, at the United Methodist Church, Scandia, with Pastor Kathy Aeillo officiating. Per her wishes, cremation will follow the service and a private family inurnment of her cremains will be at a later date in the Belleville City Cemetery. Visitation will be until 8 p.m. Wednesday with family greeting friends from 6 to 8 p.m. at Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville.

Memorials to the Scandia Methodist UMW, Sherdahl Boosters 4-H, Rebecca Morrison House, Salina or Ronald McDonald House. Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, Kansas assisted with these arrangements.

Helen M. Rhine

Helen Marjorie Leshner Rhine was born December 9, 1923 at Haddam, the daughter of William and Agnes (Lyons) Leshner and died Wednesday, December 2, 2015 while a resident of the Belleville Health Care Center in Belleville, at the age of 91 years.

She graduated from Haddam High School with the Class of 1942.

On June 21, 1944 she was united in marriage Dale Rhine and to this union was born four children: Natalie, Sheila, Timothy, and Lori.

The farmed east of Haddam until his death on May 14, 1980. She cooked for the Haddam school district for many years. She was an artist, doing landscape paintings and ceramics. She had her own kiln and taught ceramic

classes.

Besides her husband Dale, she was preceded in death by her parents and her sister Dorothy Boswell.

She is survived by her children: Natalie and husband Edwin Livingston, Mahaska, Sheila and husband Jack Cornett, Scandia, Timothy Rhine and wife Deborah, Mahaska, and Lori and husband James Caspers, Great Bend; 13 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Monday, December 7, at Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville. Interment in the Haddam City Cemetery. Memorials to the family's choice to be designated at a later time.

These arrangements were under the direction of Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home.

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**Jacqueline J. "Jackie"
Sjolander**

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Jacqueline Joyce "Jackie" Sjolander, the daughter of Harold Everhart and Olive (Owens) Everhart, was born July 4, 1942, at Scandia and died on July 15, 2015, at Republic County Hospital, Belleville, at the age of 73 years and 11 days.

She was preceded in death by her daughter Connie Sjolander, her parents, and seven brothers and sisters.

She is survived by her husband, Bud Sjolander of Scandia; children Ricky (Karen) Sjolander of Naples, FL, Mark (Debra) Sjolander of Ames, KS, MaDonna (Robert Cottonmyre) Spear of Scandia, KS, son-in-law, Joel Spear; nine grandchildren, and 10 great grandchildren; two brothers, Jimmie Everhart of Canyon City CO and Allen Everhart of Superior, NE; one sister Barbara Mosher of Hollis.

Cremation was selected and memorial services were July 20 at the United Methodist Church, Scandia, with Pastor Kathy Aeillo officiating.

Memorials to family choice. Online condolences at www.bachelor-surber.com. Bachelor-Surber

Funeral Home, Scandia,
is in charge of the
arrangements.

Phyllis Louise Sherwood

Phyllis L. Sherwood, the daughter of George Mexham and Fannie (Williams) Mexham, was born July 25, 1919, at rural Belleville, Kansas, and passed away September 19, 2015, in Republic County Hospital, Belleville, Kansas, at the age of ninety-six years, one month, and twenty days.

Phyllis grew up in Republic County, attending Milner Grade School and later Belleville High School, Belleville, Kansas, from which she graduated at the age of 16. She then attended Kansas State Teacher's College, Emporia, Kansas. After earning her teaching certificate, she taught grades one-eight for a few years before her marriage, her last school being at Beatty, Kansas.

She and her husband farmed in southern Republic County just north of Concordia, Kansas. For several years, she managed an 1100-bird laying-hen operation on the farm. Like most farm wives of the time, she gardened, canned and froze food, took meals to the field, sewed, and assisted with the family dairy. She kept accounts for their diversified farming operation and, later, became bookkeeper for the Concordia Blade Empire in Concordia, Kansas, also managing the Blade's paper boys.

On June 18, 1944, she was united in marriage to Kenneth M. Sherwood, and to this union five children were born: Tana, twins, Kent and Keith, Dyna, and Gregg.

Phyllis' religious faith was the touchstone of her life. She was a member of the Talmo Methodist Church where she was especially active in youth groups, teaching Sunday School, organizing Vacation Bible School and special Christmas and Easter services, and mentoring the Methodist Youth Fellowship. She was involved in adult worship as well, holding offices in United Methodist Women, serving as Lay Leader, participating in Bible studies, and providing financial support. Later, when she could no longer stay on the farm, she moved her membership to the Belleville United Methodist Church.

Phyllis was an accomplished organist and pianist, playing for church services and other events, along with giving piano lessons and accompanying many award-winning musical ensembles. She had an active interest in extension service work, the dispensing of information to farm families being so important to her, and was a member of the Lincoln Extension Unit. She also was a member of the Republic County Farm Bureau, serving for many years on the Policy Committee with her husband. She had been a 4-H member and was a project leader for the Talmo-Wayne Thrifty Workers 4-H Club. She was also active in the Neighborhood Club.

Phyllis loved to travel, always wanting to see what was "over the next hill." On numerous road trips, she and her husband explored most of the 48 contiguous US states and Canada, visiting family and friends along the way. In her early 70s, she travelled to England with a daughter, her sister Gweneth, and a niece to visit family.

Phyllis was preceded in death by her parents, husband, Kenneth, in 2001; son, Kent, in 1963, and her sister, Ruth Snyder.

Phyllis is survived by two sons, Keith (Anita) Sherwood of McPherson, Kansas, and Gregg Sherwood of Albany, Missouri; two daughters, Tana (Eldon) Trost of rural Belleville, Kansas, and Dyna (Jim) O'Dea of Manhattan, Kansas; eight grandchildren and fifteen great-grandchildren; three sisters, Dorothy Richardson of Belleville, Kansas, Gweneth Eickman of Beatrice, Nebraska, and Velma June Stauffer of Boulder City, Nevada; other relatives, and friends.

Funeral services were held Friday, September 25, 2015, at the Belleville United Methodist Church with the Reverend Emily Meckley officiating.

Interment were at the Zion Cemetery, rural Belleville, Kansas.

Memorials are suggested to the First United Methodist Church or Youthville.

Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, Kansas, was in charge of the arrangements.

Alma L. Schulz

Alma Louise Anderson Schulz, daughter of Ernest W. Anderson and Erma Ruthella (Press) Anderson was born July 8, 1926 at the family home near Haddam, and died Sunday, January 11, 2015 at the Health Care Center in Belleville, at the age of 88 years, six months, three days.

After graduating from High School at Agenda, Kansas she went on to Emporia State Teachers College to earn her teachers certificate. She taught school at Meter grade school in Eastern Republic County.

On May 29, 1947 she was united in marriage to Kenneth C. Schulz. They lived and farmed north of Brantford in Washington County most of their married life. After retiring from farming they moved to Agenda in 1975. She served as Agenda city clerk for a number of years. In 1999 she moved to Belleville.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Kenneth, her parents and sister Rosella (Arvid L) Bergstrom.

She is survived by her brother Denzil (Joyce) Anderson of Belleville.

Graveside services will be held 11 a.m. Friday, January 16, at the Agenda Cemetery south of Agenda.

Visitation will be 1 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday with family greeting family and friends from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers family suggests memorials be made to the Belleville Health Care Center.

Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, in charge of arrangements.

Linda Marcotte-Stillabower

Linda Marcotte-Stillabower, 63, Concordia, died January 19, 2015 at her home in Concordia. She was born on Oct. 30, 1951 to Edward G. and Mary Ann (Metro) Marcotte.

She is survived by her husband, Don; daughters, Becky Woodford (Brian) and Mary Frances Duvall (Joshua), both of Concordia; brothers, Harvey Marcotte (Dora), Garden City and Cameron "Sam" Marcotte (Nancy), Topeka; three grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents and sisters, Pauline Marcotte and Emmaline McGovern.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m., Fri., Jan. 23, at the 4J Cowboy Church, Concordia with Pastors Bob Cook and Paul McGuire officiating. Burial will follow at St. Concordia Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. with the family greeting friends from 5-7 p.m. and a Rosary at 7 p.m. Thurs., Jan. 22 with Rev. LeRoy Metro officiating, all at Chaput-Buoy Funeral Home, Concordia.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials to the Linda Marcotte-Stillabower Memorial Fund in care of the funeral home. For online condolences, please visit www.chaputbuoy.com.

Vera M. Stensaas

Vera M. Stensaas was born Oct. 22, 1927 to Ted and Hilda Johnston.

She graduated from Concordia High School in 1945. She married Robert M. "Bob" Stensaas in 1949.

She worked most of her life at J.C. Penny Department Store, started as a cashier in the office when pneumatic tubes were used instead of cash registers. She retired after 44 years as a store manager.

She was a member of The Baptist Church, and served on various committees including Deaconess', Circle and was a Sunday School teacher for many years. She was a member of U All Come EHU, VFW Auxiliary and the Women of the Moose. She volunteered at the Senior Citizen's Center helping people do their taxes.

She was preceded in death by her parents and husband Bob on July 4, 2007.

She is survived by her sister Norma Johnson of Bakersfield, CA; son Craig (Mindie) of North Mankato, MN; daughter Sue of Concordia; three granddaughters and two great granddaughters.

Funeral service were held February 17, 2015 at Nutter Mortuary. Memorials to Sunset Home or The Baptist Church. Interment

at Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Concordia. To leave online condolences please visit nuttermortuary@yahoo.com. Funeral arrangements by Nutter Mortuary

Steve Stewart

Stephen (Steve) Richard Stewart, 69, of Hampton, Iowa, passed away January 31, 2015, at his home in Hampton, Iowa. He was born



April 11, 1945, in Concordia, Kansas, to Raymond and Florence (Eddington) Stewart.

Steve attended Courtland Community School in Courtland, Kansas, where he participated in football, basketball, and track, all three sports coached by his father, Raymond.

He and his brother, Larry, enjoyed hunting and fishing together as boys and young men in the Kansas countryside. After high school graduation, Steve attended Fort Hays State University in Hays, Kansas and graduated in 1968. From 1968 to 1970,

Steve served his country in the United States Army and while in Korea, achieved the rank of Specialist 5th Class.

He was united in marriage to the love of his life, Bonnie Bridges, on August 7, 1970, in Plainfield, Iowa. To this union, two children were born.

After teaching Physical Education and Life and Earth Science for 20 years, he then worked as a Restorative Aide at Opportunity Village in Clear Lake, Iowa, until his retirement in 2011. Steve had a passion for his work with the residents of Opportunity Village and maintained friendships with residents and co-workers alike, even after he retired. Steve loved the outdoors and passed on his love of fishing to his children and grandchildren. An accomplished swimmer, he took great pride in being able to teach not only his children, but his grandsons to swim.

Steve was a well-known figure at statewide music events as the ever present supporter and cheerleader of his wife and her music students. His kindness and concern earned him the love and respect of all who had the privilege to meet him. Steve was affiliated with the Evangelical Free Church and the Hampton United Methodist Church.

Steve is survived by his wife Bonnie Stewart of Hampton, daughter Shiona Stewart of Hampton, son Jared Stewart of Des Moines, Iowa, and grandsons Samuel and James.

He was preceded in death by his parents and brother, Larry.

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Marvel Svoboda

Marvel M. Svoboda, 89, of Lincoln, NE died Friday, May 1, 2015. She was born on April 11, 1926 in



Haddam, KS to Frank and Frances (Klima) Pavlik. She was a former teacher, a chocolate dipper

at Russell Stovers Candy Co., and sales manager at Montgomery Wards where she retired.

She as a member of Capital City Czech Choralliers; Lincoln Lodge #426 and Nebraska Czechs of Lincoln.

Survivors: are her husband of 67 years; Melvin; daughter; Karen (Michael) Siefkes; son; Steve Svoboda; two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, sister; Irene Harris and brother; Malcolm Pavlik.

Memorial service was held May 6 at Eastridge Presbyterian Church, 1135 Eastridge Drive, Lincoln, NE 68510. Interment at Lincoln Memorial Park.

Memorials to Eastridge Presbyterian Church or The Nebraska Czechs of Lincoln.

Arrangements by: Lincoln Memorial Funeral Home. Condolences can be left at lincolnfh.com

William "Lon" Stark

William "Lon" Stark, the son of Lon Stark and Inez "Nan" (Radford) Stark, was born May 14, 1924 at Port Angeles WA and died on February 1, 2015 at Republic County-Long Term Care, Belleville, at the age of 90 years, eight months, and 17 days.

He grew up in the Seattle, WA area attending the local public schools. At the age of 17, he joined the United States Navy and finished high school while in the Navy.

He served with the US Navy during World War II from 1941 until 1947. He was a plane captain-machinist second class and served in the Aleutian Islands, Alaska, Marianna Islands, and Marshall Islands. He was awarded the Purple Heart, the Victory Medal, and the Good Conduct Medal. He continued to serve with the US Navy actively until 1950 and as a reservist until his honorable discharge in 1969.

He attended and received a certificate from the Northwest Railway Telegraph School in 1953. He then worked for the Burlington Northern Railroad, Seattle, Washington for 30 years until his retirement.

On April 6, 1963, he was united in marriage to Donna M. Heym. The couple made their home in the Seattle, WA area until 2001 when they moved to Jamestown, and later to Belleville, KS in 2002.

He was a lifelong member of the V.F.W. and the National Rifle Association.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

He is survived by his wife, Donna M. Stark of Belleville, KS; step daughter, Gail L. (Larry) Baxa of Belleville; one daughter, Janice McCall of Kirkland, WA; one son, Jeffery D. Stark, of Seattle, WA; one brother, Robert (Elaine) Stark of Seattle, WA; several grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Cremation was selected and his ashes will be scattered in the ocean waters off the coast of Port Angeles, WA by the US Coast Guard per his wishes. No services are planned.

Memorials are suggested to family choice. Online condolences and information at www.bachelor-surber.com

Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, KS is in charge of the arrangements. 20/b

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Kiedar 'Sid' Sidders

Kiedar "Sid" Sidders, 46, of Deshler, NE, died on April 15, 2015.

Cremation was selected and graveside memorial services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, May 16, 2015 at the Pleasant View Cemetery, rural Formoso, KS.

Friends may gather at the cemetery prior to the service to sign the book.

Memorials are suggested to family choice. Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, KS is in charge of the arrangements.

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Barbara Spencer

Barbara Ann McClure Spencer, Greenwood, IN, died April 10, 2015. She was born March 25, 1935 in Concordia to Clifford E. and Edith I. Sankey McClure.

She grew up on a farm near Republic. She attended Republic schools and graduated from Republic High School in 1951, Stephens College, Columbia MO 1953 and Kansas University in 1955 with a degree in accounting.

She married Kenneth B. Spencer February 18, 1962. They had one son, Mark E. Spencer.

She was employed in various accounting positions until retiring in 1990 and was a member of the Greenwood Presbyterian Church, where she served as treasurer and on the finance committee for many years.

She served on the Franklin Women's Bowling Association board from 1962 to 1993 and the Women's Indiana State Bowling Association board for 16 years, including 10 years as president. She also served on the boards of the Indiana State Bowling council and the National Women Bowling Writers Assn., and was a member of the Franklin Women's Bowling Assn., Franklin Men's Bowling Assn., and WISBA Halls of Fame.

She is survived by her husband, Kenneth; son Mark (Jenny), two grandsons and a brother, Michael E. McClure, Salina.

Funeral services for April 14 at Greenwood Presbyterian Church, 102 West Main, Greenwood IN. Memorials to the church memorial fund designated for music program, or the International Bowling Museum and Hall of Fame, 621 Six Flags DR, Arlington TX 76011.

Kiedar "Sid" Sidders

Kiedar "Sid" Sidders, the son of Virgil Kiedar Sidders and Patricia Marlene (Ross) Sidders, was born September 6, 1968 at Belleville, and died April 15, 2015 at Deshler, NE at the age of 46 years, seven months, and nine days.

He grew up in central Kansas, attending schools at Newton, Concordia, Belleville and Salina South High School in Salina, KS. He graduated from Minneapolis High School, Minneapolis, KS.

Following his schooling, he joined the U. S Navy, serving for a time.

He then worked for several hog farms in south Central Nebraska. He moved to the Tulsa OK area where was involved in a lawn care business. He moved back to the area to Formoso, KS and later Deshler where he has worked at Reinke Manufacturing for several years.

He was a professional boxer and was a friend of famed boxer Tommy Morrison along with participating in Men's League Hockey both while living in the Tulsa, OK area.

He was preceded in death by a son, Ryan; his father, Virgil; and his step-father, Wayne Nielander.

Kiedar is survived his mother, Patricia Nielander of Belleville; one sister Heather Burk of Belleville; his grandmother, Carol E. Johnson of Belleville, KS. Cremation was selected and graveside memorial services will be held at the Pleasant View Cemetery, rural Formoso in May.

No visitation is planned and friends may sign the book and gather at the cemetery prior to the services. Memorials are suggested to family choice. Online condolences and information at www.bachelor-surber.com.

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Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, KS is in charge of the arrangements.

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Janet Schrock

Funeral services for Janet Rae Millen Schrock, 80, Lawrence were held March 9, 2015 at Lawrence Free Methodist Church.

Burial was at Union Valley Cemetery, rural Scandia, on Tuesday, March 10.

She died Wednesday, March 4, 2015 at Medicalodges in Eudora KS after a long battle with multiple system atrophy, a rare degenerative neurological disorder.

She was born near Scandia on October 31, 1934 to Howard Glen and Velda (Banks) Millen. She attended a country school near Republic, and grade school in Republic and graduated from Republic High School. She graduated from Bethany College, Lindsborg, with a degree in music education and attended summer school at the University of Kansas.

She was a life member of the international honorary music fraternity, Sigma Alpha Iota. She taught primary grades music for three years in



WaKeeney, and junior high music for three years at Lincoln Junior High School in Charleston, WV. She taught piano lessons in her home for many years in Charleston, and Princeton Junction, NJ. She taught the primary grades Sunday school class at Westerly Road Church in Princeton for over 20 years. She also taught the children's group in Bible Study Fellowship for many years. She sang in the church choirs in Charleston and Lawrence. She was a member of the Lawrence Free Methodist Church and a former member of Westerly Road Church in Princeton.

She married Wayne Edwin Schrock on September 6, 1959, in the Republic Evangelical United Brethren Church. They shared more than 55 years of marriage. He survives in Lawrence.

She was preceded in death by her parents and brother, Allen.

Other survivors include their three sons, Douglas, Lawrence, Kansas, Daryl (Denise), Stockton CA and David (Jennifer), Lone Tree CO, and three grandchildren; her brother, Arlo and his wife, Sherry, Overland Park.

Memorials to the Lawrence Free Methodist Church Mission Fund, 3001 Lawrence Avenue, Lawrence, KS or Grace Hospice, 1420 Wakarusa Drive, Suite 202, Lawrence, KS 66049 or may be sent in care of Warren-McElwain Mortuary, 120 West 13th Street, Lawrence, KS, 66044.

Online condolences may be sent to www.warrenmcelwain.com.

Richard L. Stafford

Richard Lee Stafford, son of Bryan W. and Marie (Howard) Stafford, was born July 17, 1925 at Hayesville, Ohio. He died March 14, 2015 at the Republic County Hospital in Belleville. He was 89.

He graduated from Hayesville High School and enlisted into the United States Navy in March 1943. He served during WWII in the Asiatic Pacific Theater as a communications seaman stationed in Guam. He was honorably discharged on May 16, 1946.

On June 8, 1947 he was united in marriage to Eleanor Faye June at Mansfield OH.

He began working for Mansfield Tire and Rubber Manufacturing Company in Mansfield and continued his employment for 35 years retiring in 1980.

The couple moved to Kansas in 1984.

He was a member of the United Presbyterian Church where he also served as church Deacon.

He was preceded in death by his parents, sisters Jeanne Soliday and Vivian Landfried; and brother George.

He is survived by his wife of nearly 68 years Eleanor

Stafford; children David, Ft. Pierce FL, Alan, Ellsworth, WI, Lisa, Ft. Worth TX and Gregory, Salina; five grandchildren; eight great grandchildren.

Memorial services will be held 2 p.m. Thursday, March 19, 2015 at the United Presbyterian Church, Belleville, with Pastor Robert Frasier officiating. Inurnment will be in the Belleville City Cemetery with military rites provided by the U.S. Naval Honor Guard.

Memorials may be made to the family's choice.

Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville assisted the family with arrangements.

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Helen Sankey

Helen Adeline Larson Sankey was born February 7, 1929, in Scandia to George and Ruby (Aspegren) Larson and died Tuesday, March 17, 2015, at the Belleville Health Care Center at the age of 86 years.

She grew up on the family farm south of Scandia and graduated from Scandia High School.

She married Norman Sankey September 4, 1949 and moved to Republic.

She started working part time with the U.S. Postal Service and eventually retired after 43 years as Postmaster in Republic. She was a

member of the National Association of Postmasters of the United States.

She was preceded in death by her husband Norman, her parents, and her brothers Harold, Gene, and Don.

She is survived by her daughters Julie Dietz and husband Charles and Jill Kelman and husband Roger; four grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; brothers Robert and wife Anita; Richard and wife, Mary, Larry and wife Coleen, sister Lorraine Chellberg and husband Lowell. Funeral services were held Saturday, March 21, at the Amana Lutheran church, Scandia.

Charles Strunc

Charles Lee Strunc, 88, died August 5, 2015 at his home in Danville KY. He was born November 3, 1926 at Munden, son of Joseph and Mary Bilek Kovarik Strunc.

He was preceded in death by his parents and half-sisters Marie Sonntag and Francis Kovarik.

He is survived by his wife of 57 years Mary Ann; six children: Mary Therese (Jack) Bartels, Beth (Steve)

Dalin, James (Krista)
Strunc, Carline (Peter)
Mueller, Michael (Ramie)
Strunc and Robert (Angela)
Strunc; 17 grandchildren.

Memorial Mass held August 15 at St. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Danville KY. Burial at Camp Nelson National Cemetery, Nicholasville KY. Memorials: Madison County Right to Life, Right to Life of Central Kentucky or Heritage Hospice of Danville KY.

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Darlene Elaine Smith

Darlene Elaine Smith, 74, Lincoln, Nebraska, passed away May 18, 2015. Born September 2, 1940, to Albia and Madeline (Breault) Comeau in Glasco, Kansas.



Darlene was a member of the Society of Ortho-Bionomy International and Associated Bodywork and Massage Professionals. She enjoyed reading and studying various massage modalities including Lymph Drainage, Visceral work, and Ortho-Bionomy; Darlene was an Advanced Instructor in Ortho-Bionomy work and taught classes nationwide. She especially enjoyed spending time with family and friends, dining out, and going to movies. Darlene was revered by all and left a legacy that won't soon be forgotten.

Survivors include her children, Delaine (Ron) Birchard, Lincoln, Nebraska, Delmar Smith, Lincoln, Nebraska, D.D. (Brad) Peterson, Courtland, Kansas, Dennis (Lisa) Smith, Lincoln, Nebraska, Darren Smith, Houston, Texas; eight grandchildren, and eleven great-grandchildren

Memorial service was held Thursday, May 21, 2015, at Colonial Chapel Funeral Home, 5200 R Street, Lincoln, Nebraska.

Graveside services were held Friday, May 22, 2015, at Mount Pleasant Cemetery, Courtland, Kansas, followed by a reception at Courtland United Methodist Church.

Memorials may be directed to the family for future designation.

Mary "Lynn" Stenson

Mary Lynn Stenson, the firstborn child of Leo and Rosella (Dreher) McCoy, was born on August 1, 1946, in Summitt, New Jersey. She passed away on June 15, 2015, at the Republic County Hospital, Belleville, Kansas at the age of 68 years, 10 months, 14 days.



Her father was aboard ship in the Pacific. She and her mother traveled to join their extended family in Grand Island, Nebraska; where they awaited the return of her father. The family resided there until 1954, during which time she began her education at St. Mary's Grade School. That year they moved to Kearney, Nebraska, her education continued at St. James School. She was a member of the first graduating class of Kearney Catholic High School in 1964. The following year she attended St. Elizabeth's School of Nursing, Lincoln, Nebraska, graduating in 1967. Thereafter, began a 45- year career as a Registered Nurse, 44 of those years employed at the Republic County Hospital, Belleville, Kansas.

On June 1, 1968, she exchanged wedding vows with Gene Stenson at St. James Catholic Church, Kearney. The city girl became a farm wife in rural Republic County until they moved to Republic City in 1995. They were blessed with four children; Michael, David, Sarah and Jon.

When not working, she spent time following their children's activities. She liked trying out new recipes (some successful, some not). She enjoyed the evenings spent playing bridge, but her favorite pastime was refinishing antique furniture. Grandchildren held a special place in her heart. It was routine for them to find cookies in the freezer when they stopped by.

She was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church and Altar Society, White Rock Cemetery Board, served as Republic City Council Member and City Treasurer, member of the Republic City Improvement Committee, and the MNO and Bridge Babes Bridge Clubs.

She left this world joining deceased family members: her husband, Gene, on May 31, 2004; her parents, Leo and Roseila McCoy; her youngest sibling, Terry McCoy; father and mother-in-law, Ernest and Emma Stenson.

She is survived by her four children: Michael Stenson and wife, Lori, David Stenson, Sarah Kunc and husband, Jake, Jon Stenson and wife, Beverly; nine grandchildren: Brittany, Cassidy, Tanner, Leslie, Riley, Jena Kunc, Noah and Jacob Springer, Zachary Stenson; one great-grandson, Khonor Craig; Brother, Thomas McCoy and wife, Kathy, Lincoln, Nebraska; sister Cynthia Walters and husband Jeff, Ft. Collins, Colorado; Aunt and Uncle Bill and Agnes Jarvis of Centennial, Colorado; Aunts: Mary Dreher of Norfolk, Nebraska, Betty Dreher and Alvera Irvine both of Grand Island, Nebraska; nieces, nephews, other relatives and a host of friends.

Mass of Christian Burial was held on Saturday, June 20, 1015 at 10:30AM from the St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Superior, Nebraska, with Father Brad Zitek officiating.

Music was "Amazing Grace," "On Eagle's Wings," "Be Not Afraid," with Pam Gallion as the soloist and Betty Schott as the organist.

Pallbearers were Mike Vint, Jim Murphy, Josh Bowen, Lonnie Bargaen, Darrell Fuller, and Elvin Hobson. Honorary Pallbearers were Butch Noble, Dale Baxa, Randy Thayer, and Jim Cook.

Rosary Service was held on Friday 7:00 p.m. at the Funeral Home.

Private family inurnment will be held at a later date in the White Rock Cemetery at Republic, Kansas.

A memorial has been established and may go in care of the family.

Condolences may be sent to Megrue-Price Funeral Home, 750 N Commercial, Superior, Nebraska 68978 or in care of www.pricefuneralhomes.com.

Megrue-Price Funeral Home of Superior, Nebraska was in charge of the arrangements.

Clifford O. Swanson

Clifford O. Swanson, son of Alfred Swanson and Christine (Norgard) Swanson was born February 10, 1928 at Norway KS and died on June 21, 2015 at Belleville, Kansas at the age of 87 years, four months and 11 days.



He received his education in the Scandia and Norway public schools.

He was united in marriage to Rosie Stieben on October 7, 1951. He worked as a lineman for the REA Electrical Cooperative in Belleville KS for over 45 years till his retirement.

He was a member of the American Lutheran Church, Belleville, KS.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Alfred and Christine Swanson, two sisters, Irene Danielson, Gloria Novak, two brothers, Richard Swanson, Harry Swanson.

He is survived by his wife, Rosie Swanson of Belleville; one daughter, Barbara Marden of Manhattan; two step sons, Eugene Stieben of Eudora KS, Ralph Stieben of Garretson SD; 11 grandchildren, 16 great grandchildren, one sister, Viola Degner of Deshler, NE.

Funeral services will be held 2 p.m., Thursday, June 25, 2015, American Lutheran Church, Belleville, conducted by, Pastor Thomas Kamprath.

Interment will be in Belleville Cemetery, Belleville. Memorials may be given to American Lutheran Church, Belleville. Friends may call on Wednesday until 9 p.m. at Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, where the family will receive friends from 6 to 7 p.m. Online condolences and information at www.bachelor-surber.com

Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, KS., in charge of arrangements.

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Alma Skocny

Alma Louise (Kalivoda) Skocny, 85, Cuba, died Saturday, September 26, 2015 at Sunset Home in Concordia.

She was born December 19, 1929, east of Agenda, daughter of Joe and Minnie (Hyland) Kalivoda.

She worked at MC Industries and she and husband owned and operated the Mustang Inn Cafe in Cuba, KS for many years.

She was a 50 year member of the Legion Ladies Auxiliary in Cuba.

On August 21, 1946 she was united in marriage to Frank Skocny. After 52 years of marriage he preceded her in death August 23, 1998. She was also preceded in death by a grandson Christopher Hebert, her parents, brothers: Roland Kalivoda, Marlin Kalivoda, and sisters Lela Mae Frey, Bonnie Huncovsky, and Donna Minard.

She is survived by nine children: Renus and Donna Strait, Tabor, SD, Sherry and Jim Persinger, Harlingen, TX, Connie Dutton and Steve, Havanna IL, Paula and Tom Akin,

Glendale, AZ, Martin and Nikki Skocny, Valley Center, KS, Randy and Carolyn Skocny, Steven and Rae Skocny, all of Cuba, Jacky and Gary Jeardoe, Concordia, Denise and Andy Torrey, Axtell, KS; 31 grandchildren; 42 great grandchildren; three great-great grandchildren.

Her wishes were for cremation services. A graveside service and inurnment for family and friends will be held 11 a.m. Thursday, October 1, 2015 at Hawks Cemetery east of Cuba.

Memorials may be made to Cuba Legion Auxiliary or Meadowlark Hospice. Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, assisted with arrangements.

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Emily A. Sklenicka

Emily Anna (Chopp) Sklenicka, daughter of Frank and Marie (Homolac) Chopp, was born April 4, 1923 near Munden,

She was christened on May 13, 1923 by Fr. George Weber at St. George's Catholic Church rural Munden.

She graduated from Republic County School, May 25, 1937 and Munden High School, May 15, 1941.

She entered St. Joseph Hospital School of nursing in Concordia. She sang in the girls' sextet on the radio when Rev. C.J. Brown delivered Sunday afternoon sermons on the Salina radio station. She graduated from nurses training on August 21, 1945. After graduation, she worked at Patterson Memorial Hospital in Belleville and then went to do special duty nursing at St. Joseph's Hospital; later working for Dr. Raymond Gelvin as office nurse and at the hospital. She worked occasionally in nursing until all the children were in school, and then did special duty nursing at Republic County Hospital. In 1979, she started working three days a week at Belleville Health Care Center until retirement in August of 1998 at the age of 75.

She was a member of St. Edward's Council of Catholic women, DAV Auxiliary, the American Legion Auxiliary, The Kansas Czech Club and The National Health and Wellness Club.

She was united in marriage to Glennard L. Sklenicka at Concordia on July 28, 1947. To this union were born; LeAnne, Cathy, David, Gary, Carl and Rita.

Preceding her in death are her parents, husband Glennard, daughter Cathy, stepson Marc, son-in-law

Richard Krug, her brothers John W. Chopp, Henry Chopp.

Survivors include daughters, LeAnne (Lee) and husband Kenneth (Kenny) Lewis of Salina, Rita Krug and fiancé Jeff Haggar of Sioux Falls, SD; sons, David of Salina, Gary and wife DeeAnn of Fountain, CO; and Carl of Phoenix, AZ; nine grandchildren; four great grandchildren.

A rosary service will be held at 7 p.m. Friday, October 9, 2015 at Tibbetts-Fischer Chapel. Memorial services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct 10, 2015 at St. Edwards Catholic Church, Belleville.

Donations may be made to St. Edward's Catholic Parish, Belleville, KS.

Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Leona T. Shulda

Leona T. (Plevka) Shulda was born May 9, 1920 near Wayne to Fred Plevka and Albina (Sedlacek) Plevka and died on December 25, 2015 at Silvercrest Assisted Living in Overland Park, KS at the age of 95.



On June 26, 1940 she was united in marriage to Harold Shulda and to this union was born two children, Loren and Thais. The couple farmed for 44 years near Munden, then moved to Overland Park, KS, six years ago and she died to be closer to her children.

She was a life time member of the St. George's Catholic Church Choir, the Munden Czech Singers, and the Belleville Square Dance Club. She was the Republic County Kolache Queen twice.

She was preceded in

death by her parents, husband, sister, Blanche Homolka and brother, Edward Plevka.

She is survived by her son, Loren Shulda of Olathe, KS, her daughter, Thais and husband Richard Fahy of Overland Park, KS, four grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Mass of Christian Burial was December 30 at St. Edward's Catholic Church, Belleville, conducted by, Fr. Brian Lager. Interment in St. Isidore's Catholic Cemetery, Cuba. Memorials may be made to the Mid America Chapter of the MS Society, 7611 State Line, Suite 100, Kansas City, MO. 64114

Online condolences and information at www.funeralhome.com.
Funeral Home, Belleville, Mo in charge of arrangements.

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Cecil "Jack" Tillman



Cecil Joseph "Jack" Tillman was born on March 8, 1929 in North Platte, NE

and died April 17, 2015 in Omaha. He was a life-long educator, coach and school administrator in Belleville, KS and Wahoo, NE.

He and his wife, Colleen, married for over 64 years. He was a graduate of North Platte High School, Peru State College, and earned a masters degree in Special Education and a Specialist in Educational Administration from the University of Nebraska.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Jack and Fern Tillman, and brothers Roger and Chuck Tillman, of North Platte, NE.

He is survived by his wife, his children Julee Katzman, Sam (Jeral) Tillman, Mindy (Cheryl) Sabatka, Chuck (Carol) Tillman, and nine grandchildren.

He wrote a weekly column called Our Town for the Wahoo Newspaper for over 20 years. He served as aide to State Senator Curt Bromm in the Nebraska Legislature.

He is a participant in the Anatomical Gift Program of the University of Nebraska Medical Center. A memorial service was held April 21 at the First Presbyterian Church in Wahoo, NE. Memorials establish a scholarship fund at Peru State College.

Pruss-Nabity Funeral Home, Wahoo is in charge of the arrangements.

Cecil G. Tamerius

Cecil G. Tamerius, 87, Fairbury, formerly of Cuba, died June 30, 2015 at Gardenside LTC in Fairbury. He was born August 18, 1927 at Plattsville IA to Hoyt and Hazel Field Tamerius.

Survivors are daughters: Kay (Gary) Hauschel, Fairbury; Joanna (Rick) Novak; Haddam; Linda (Perry) Trecek, Agenda; Diane (Brian) Freeman, Courtland; sons: David (Susan) Grummert, Plymouth NE, Donald (DeLaine) Grummert, Plymouth, Bradley (Jeanette) Grummert, Plymouth; 18 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren.

Services will be Friday, July 3, 10:30 a.m. at Gerdes-Meyer Funeral Home in Fairbury. The family will greet friends from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, July 2 at the funeral home. Memorials to family choice. Burial at the Fairbury NE Cemetery.

Gerdes-Meyer Funeral Home, Fairbury, in charge of arrangements.

Tommy Thompson

Tommy Arch Thompson, Kenai, Alaska, died August 27, 2015.

He was born August 26, 1939 in Belleville, son of Arch and Bernice Thompson. He grew up in Agenda.

After high school he enlisted in the Navy as a machinist, traveling the world as he served on the USS Caperton. He received an honorable discharge in 1963.

In 1972 he and his wife, Kreta, and family moved to Homer, Alaska, where he began work as a school

administrator at Alaska Christian Children's Home. The family remained in Homer for several years before eventually settling in Kenai where he had a 20-year-career with Marathon Oil.

He was active in the Kenai Christian Church, the harbor commission, and was past chairman of the Alaskan Republican Party.

He is survived by his wife, Kreta Thompson; four children: Trudy, Shelly, Tamara and Daniel, and 13 grandchildren; sisters Betty and Bernice, and a brother, Gerald Thompson of Agenda.

A memorial celebration was held September 1 at the Kenai Christian Church in Kenai, Alaska.

Vivian L. Thompson

Vivian L. Thompson, daughter of Oscar L. Scott and Lorene E. (Brooks) Scott was born August 1, 1933, at California, Missouri, and passed away on September 9, 2015 at Salina, Kansas, at the age of eighty-two years, one month and eight days.



She was united in marriage to William E. Thompson on March 15, 1956, and to this union two children were born, Michael Eugene and Patricia Ann.

She was a member of the Ophel Chapter No. 115, Order of Eastern Star, Belleville, Kansas, Daughters of the Nile.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Oscar and Lorene Scott, one sister, Freida, two brothers, Elmer, Richard.

She is survived by her husband, William E. Thompson of Belleville, Kansas; one son, Michael (Diane) Thompson of Harlingen, Texas; one daughter, Patricia A. Thompson of Lawrence, Kansas; one granddaughter, Sharon (John) Obie of Kansas City, Missouri; two great-grandchildren, Lauren and Kendal; nieces, nephews, other relatives and many friends.

Funeral services were held Monday, September 14, 2015, First United Methodist Church, Belleville, Kansas, conducted by, Rev. Emily Meckley, Rev. Mark Baldwin.

Cremation will follow the service with private family inurnment in Chester Cemetery, Chester, Nebraska, at a later date.

Memorials may be given to Family Choice.

Online condolences and information at www.bachelor-surber.com
Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, Kansas, was in charge of arrangements.

Minnie Terpening

Minnie Mae Terpening, age 106, of Haddam, died on July 13, 2015 at Belleville Health Care Center in Belleville, Kansas.

She lived in Haddam, Kansas until June 7, 2012, then moved into Belleville Health Care Center.

She was born May 19, 1909 to Thomas and Emma Hackbarth Miller at their home north of Morrowville. Minnie was second oldest of a family of 11, eight girls and three boys.

She attended Lowe Center School. She helped at home and worked for many neighbors, sometimes helping mothers with new

babies. When she was teenager, her parents started a band, entertaining with house and barn dances. She played piano in the family band.



On March 4, 1931, she married Clarence Terpening. They had one child, Luella. The couple farmed for many years. They farmed until 1988 and then retired to Haddam. The couple celebrated 64 years of marriage. He died on December 13, 1995.

Survivors include her daughter Luella Welch of Haddam; three grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; sisters Gladys Novak of Haddam, Byrtilla Lichtenburger of Beatrice NE and Martha Harris of Crete NE.

Preceding her in death were her husband Clarence, her parents, son-in-law Edwin Welch, brothers Delmer, Luther, and Harrold Miller; sisters Anna Terpening, Elda Adkins, Hilda Hauschel, and Evelyn Hinel.

Funeral services will be Thursday, July 16, 10 a.m. at United Methodist Church, Haddam, Pastor Randy Jellison-Knock, officiating. Burial was in Fairbury City Cemetery. Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville in charge of arrangements.

Marilyn Kay Templin

Marilyn Kay Templin of Hebron NE was born on September 23, 1938 in Haddam, to Charles Lafatte and Dorothy C. (Clark) Jones. She died Tuesday July 21, 2015 at Thayer County Health Services in Hebron, NE at the age of 76 years.

She attended school in Belleville, and graduated from Belleville High School in 1955.

She married Don Templin, on May 27, 1956 at First United Methodist Church in Belleville, Kansas. They had three daughters and one son.

She worked at Stewart Pharmacy, Ortino's Pizzeria, Hebron Sale Barn Cafe and also owned and operated the Hebron Clothesline for 10 years.

She was a member of the United Methodist Church in Hebron, serving on several committees as well as teaching Sunday and Bible School. She also was a member of Near-By-Neighbors Club.

She is preceded in death by her parents, step-dad, Harold Fleming, brother Bill Jones, sisters Joanna Gnadts and Danna Scholes.

She is survived by her husband, Don, of Hebron, daughters Dee Rizek and husband Steve of Gallatin MO; Sandra Page and husband Sam of Chesterfield MO; Chris Heitmann and husband

Marlyn of Byron NE and sor Lee Templin and Brenda Thomas of Belleville eight grandchildren; five great grandchildren; brother Ronnie Jones of Enid, Oklahoma

Funeral services were held Saturday, July 25 at the United Methodist Church in Hebron with Pastor Mark Baldwin officiating.

Memorials to Hebron Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department and United Methodist Church of Hebron. Condolences may be left at www.kroll.com Kroll Funeral Home of Hebron is in charge of arrangements.

Katherine Tiffany



Katherine "Kathy" Louise Tiffany, age 54, of rural Concordia, KS, died at home among family and friends on Aug. 11, 2015 at home from

complications of cancer. She was born Jan. 10, 1961 in Concordia, KS to Charles Bennett and Marcia Ann (Koehn) Johnson.

Kathy grew up in Republic County, KS, graduating from high school at Belleville, KS in 1979 and attending Emporia State University. She married first, Tom Snyder and they divorced. Kathy married Randy Tiffany on August 15, 2010 at the Lutheran Church in Concordia, Kansas.

Kathy worked for extended periods at Liby's Corner Grill and the Purple Splash in Belleville, KS and at the St. Joseph Hospital, Gordon Credit and Collection Agency, Sunset Home, Cloud County Community College, 19th Hole, and Coppoc Sports of Concordia, KS.

Kathy's primary interest was her family and then photography and travel with Randy.

Survivors include her husband, Randy Tiffany of rural Concordia, KS; a daughter, Sierra Snyder of Concordia, KS; a son, Brendan Hardaway of Dickinson, ND and his father, Roger Hardaway of Concordia, KS; her father, Charles B. Johnson of Concordia, KS; a sister, Jacqueline S. Wilson and husband, Steve of Oklahoma City, OK; brother-in-law, Steve Wilkinson and wife, Amy of Olathe, KS; aunts, Myrna Campbell of Concordia, KS and Reye Royse of Parsons, KS; uncle, Louis Koehn of San Francisco, CA, nieces and nephews, Drew Wilson of Edmund, OK, Kimberly Quirk and husband, Kyle of Lewisville, TX, and Victoria, Chase, and Alexandria Wilkinson of Olathe, KS; and many special friends.

Kathy was preceded in death by her mother, Marcia Johnson; her sister, Stephanie Wilkinson; her grandparents, Mervin and Martha Johnson and Alexander and Lois Koehn; aunt and uncle Dorothy and Don Dahlstrom; and uncles, Frank Campbell and Dale Royse.

Memorial services were held Saturday, August

15, 2015 at the Lutheran Church in Concordia, KS. Inurnment at the Zion Cemetery, Republic County, KS.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Kathy Johnson-Snyder-Tiffany Medical Fund at any branch of the Peoples Exchange Bank or the Solomon Valley Hospice of Beloit, KS. Nutter Mortuary of Concordia, Kansas is in charge of the arrangements.

James (Jim) Lee Todd

James Lee Todd, son of John and Opal (Howe) Todd, was born July 24, 1945 at Colby, Kansas. He departed this life Tuesday, October 6, 2015, at his home in Courtland, Kansas. He was 70 years of age. Jim graduated from Courtland High School with the Class of 1964.



He enlisted in the United States Marine Corp. in 1964 and proudly served his country until September 1968. He attained the rank of Sargent and served in the Vietnam War where he received the Purple Heart and Bronze Star for his bravery.

Following his discharge, Jim drove truck for various construction projects. After he retired from driving truck, he lived in Courtland and was active in many community projects. For many years he was the manager of the Courtland Meals on Wheels program.

Jim was a member of the Disabled Veterans and an active member of the American Legion of Scandia. He was a regular member of the Honor Guard for veterans and the annual Memorial Day ceremonies.

Jim was preceded in death by his father, John, and brothers, Rex and Gene and Junior.

He will be forever remembered by his mother, Opal Todd; sons Jeff, Justin, and James B. Todd; sisters, Martha Howe, Rita Clayton, and Vickie Smith; brothers Harley, Walter and Wayne Todd and John Cole; other relatives and a community of friends.

Funeral services were held Saturday, October 10, 2015, at the Covenant Church, Courtland, Kansas, with Mr. Dwight Garman, Celebrant. Interment was in the Courtland Cemetery with Military Rites by the Marine Corps Honor Guard, Wichita, Kansas, and Scandia American Legion Post No. 193.

Casket bearers were his high school classmates, Carl Segerhammar, Dennis Lauritzen, Warren Sutton, Kenneth Henriksen, Gene McIntosh, and Stanley Veach.

Honorary bearers were Duwayne "Pinky" Thomas, Beryl Thomas, Paul Freeman, M.D. "Lindy" Lindblad, Ruthie Sederlin, Reggie Reed, and Norman Hoard.

Memorials may be made in Jim's honor to the Scandia Legion.

Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, Kansas, was in charge of these arrangements.

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Sawyer White

Funeral services for Sawyer Ryan White, 21 months, Belleville, will be held Friday, February 27 at 2 p.m. at the Central Christian Church, Belleville.

Visitation will be Thursday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. at Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home.

Burial in Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Belleville.

Memorials: To the Sawyer White Memorial c/o the funeral home or New Century Bank/Belleville.

Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

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Cheryl Warren

Cheryl Jean Warren, the daughter of Ward and Shirley (Springer) Thompson, was born on January 10, 1946 in Superior NE and died February 16, 2015 at the University of Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha at the age of 69 years, one month, and six days.

She was a 1964 graduate of Superior High School. She graduated from St. Elizabeth's School of Nursing in Lincoln NE in 1967 and worked at the VA hospital there before moving to Columbia MO where she worked for over three years at the Children's Hospital. She moved back to the Jewell County KS/Nuckolls County NE area where she spent the majority of her nursing career at Brodstone Memorial in Superior until retiring in 1999. After retiring from nursing, she was a dental assistant for her brother, Ron Thompson in Superior.

She was a lifetime member of the First United Methodist Church in Superior.

On September 19, 1989 she was united in marriage to Douglas I. Warren.

She is preceded in death by her parents.

She is survived by her husband Doug; her children Devin Wilson and wife Holli of Lenexa KS, Melanie Zoltenko and husband Lannin of Courtland, and Haley Weik and husband Derek of Carson City NV; step sons Tony Warren and wife Angie of Hastings NE, Troy Warren and Jay Carson of West Pueblo CO and Eric Warren and wife Robyn of Hastings NE; nine grandsons; three brothers Bob Thompson of Hays KS, Ron Thompson and wife Dee and Justin Thompson and wife Barb all of Superior NE.

Funeral services were held on Friday, February 20 from the Megrue-Price Funeral Home in Superior, with Pastor Roger Walls officiating. Interment in Fairview Cemetery, rural Webber. Memorials to the Webber Methodist Church.

Condolences may be sent to Megrue-Price Funeral Home, 730 N Commercial, Superior, Nebraska 68978 or in care of www.pricefuneralhomes.com.

Megrue-Price Funeral Home of Superior, Nebraska was in charge of the arrangements.

Joyce Willoughby

Joyce J. Willoughby, 84, of Belleville died June 20, 2015.

She was born March 23, 1931 to Clarence H. "Shorty" and Lula Belle Frye of Byron NE.

She married Everett L. Willoughby in 1949, who pre-deceased her in 1996.

She is survived by four children, Margo, Scott, Lance and Kelly, eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

The Willoughbys held many different positions of civic responsibility throughout their lives.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to Meadowlark Hospice in Clay Center.

The family chose direct cremation services. The memorial service will be held at First United Methodist, Belleville, with Pastor Emily Meckley officiating on Friday, July 3 at 1 p.m. Family inurnment was in the Belleville City Cemetery.

Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, assisted with arrangements.

Staci Wynn

Staci Lynette Wynn was born April 28, 1967 in Vernice Nondorf in Ventura CA, and



died May 17, 2015 at McKees Medical Hospital, Loveland CO.

She attended grade

school in Fort Collins CO and Courtland, high school at Pike Valley in Scandia, and Cloud County Community College, Concordia.

She married Todd Wynn May 5, 1990 and two this union two children, Zackary and Ashley were born.

She worked for Pagosa Springs Inn, EDS and Helmshire Bed and Breakfast, was a homemaker, and helped Todd with Wynns Landscaping and Wynns Honey.

Survivors are her husband, Todd; son Zackary (Becka Young),

daughter Ashley Wynn, all of Loveland CO; mother Vernice Nondorf, Belleville; mother-in-law Shirley Winn, Loveland CO; grandmother Gloria Nondorf of Belleville.

She was preceded in death by her grandfather, Orville Nondorf; father-in-law Charles Wynn.

Funeral services were held May 9 at Viogut Funeral Home, Loveland CO. Memorials: Staci Wynn memorial fund c/o Viogut Funeral Home.

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Norma Ward

Norma Lee Pearl Kearns Ward, 74, Concordia, died Friday, April 24, 2015 in Salina. She was born April 19, 1941 to Clyde and Ruby Gunn Kearns at Concordia.

She is survived by her daughters, Mona Renee Pearl Young, Salina and Christine Pearl Lynn Koch, Concordia; brothers Lonnie Kearns, Cuba, Richard Kearns, Ft. Wayne IN, and Morris Kearns, Coffeysville;

five grandchildren; four great grandchildren; two great-great grandchildren.

Memorial services were May 4 at Victory Faith Assembly of God Church with Pastor Cory Shipley officiating. Memorials to the Norma Ward Memorial Fund. Nutter Mortuary in charge of arrangements. Online condolences nuttermortuary@yahoo.com

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Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, assisted with arrangements.

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LeRoy G. Watkins

LeRoy Gage Watkins, 87, died surrounded by his family at St. Luke's Hospice Unit, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, on May 6, 2015, due to complications from vascular dementia.

Roy was born February 19, 1928, to Pearl Gage Watkins and the Rev. J. Ralph Watkins, in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. He graduated from Courtland High School in 1947, when his father was pastor of Courtland Methodist Church, and later attended Kansas Wesleyan University, the University of Kansas, and University of Northern Colorado. His degrees were in education and counseling. He taught in Larned and Salina, Kansas, before moving to Cedar Rapids in 1961, where he was a middle school and high school counselor. He retired in 1993.

Roy married Barbara Simpson in Evansville, Indiana, in 1959. The marriage ended in divorce in 1985. He married Janice Albright in Cedar Rapids in 1989.

Biking was his passion for several decades. He and his brother Ralph Harlan Watkins took a number of bicycling trips of 200 miles or more. One such trip was called the "Go Home Again Bike Trip," starting in Courtland and riding 600 miles visiting towns in Kansas and Oklahoma.

Roy's life was spent serving and loving others regardless of their race, creed or background. He was a passionate advocate for the underdog and a lifelong social activist.

He is survived by his wife, Jan; son Brent (Jackie), Iowa City, Iowa and daughter Elaine (Jim Miller) West Des Moines, Iowa; grandchildren and great grandchildren; brother, Ralph (Pat) of Richfield, Minnesota; sister, Kathryn Watkins (Bob) Swain, Manteca, California.

A memorial service for Roy will be held Saturday, May 30, at Peoples Universalist Church, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Wilma A Woodside

Wilma A Woodside, the daughter of George and Nettie (Cozine) Van Winkle, was born April 23, 1918 south of Chester, NE and died on June 29, 2015 at the Heritage Crossings Nursing Facility, Geneva, NE at the age 97 years, two months, and six days.

She received her education in the public

schools and graduated from Chester High School in 1936.

She was united in marriage to Gerald "Dean" Woodside

on May 20, 1939. To this union

were born seven daughters and one son: Deanna, Rose Mary, Karen, Wayne, Cathy, Lorraine, Linda, and Jennifer. She was had 23 grandchildren, 52 great grandchildren, and one great great grandchild.

The couple farmed near Hubbell for many years. She was a member of the Hubbell and Shickley United Methodist Churches, the Star Line American Legion Post #317 Auxiliary of Hubbell, and drove the public school bus for a number of years with her husband.

She was preceded in death by her husband Dean in 1998, her parents, George and Nettie Van Winkle, sisters, Arlene Sommers and Ardath Butts-Carter; brothers Virgil, Gerald, Harold, Kenneth, and Eugene Van Winkle; grandsons Greg Teachman and Darrell Smith; great grandson Eric Effenbeck, son-in-law James Smith, and grandson-in-law Doug Vernon.

She is survived by her son Wayne (Lynn) Woodside of Port St. Lucie, FL; daughters, Deanna (Howard) Johnson of Shickley, NE, Rose Mary Smith of Shickley, NE, Karen Teachman of Lincoln NE, Cathy (Everett) Roop of Chester, NE, Lorraine (Larry) Effenbeck of St. John, KS, Linda (Wayne) Flathman of Shickley, NE and Jennifer (Larry) Johnson of Wahoo, NE; 21 grandchildren, 50 great grandchildren, and one great great grandchild.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Friday, July 3, 2015 at the United Methodist Church, Chester, NE with Pastors Mark Baldwin and Char Cross, officiating. Interment will be at the Hubbell Cemetery, rural Hubbell, NE.

Visitation will be from 1 to 9 p.m. on Wednesday and from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Thursday at the Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, KS where the family will greet friends from 6 to 8 p.m. Memorials are suggested to family choice.

Online condolences at www.bachelor-surber.com. Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, KS is in charge of the arrangements.

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Gwendolyn F. Walter

Gwendolyn F. Walter, daughter of Harold Stafford and Florence (Leeding) Stafford was born October 20, 1917 at rural Republic, and died on October 9, 2015 at Republic County Long Term Care, Belleville, at the age of 97 years, 11 months and 19 days.

She graduated from Republic High School. She was united in marriage to Ralph V. Walter on July 29, 1939 and to this union three sons were born, Gary, Richard and Darrell.

She was a member of First United Methodist Church, Belleville, KS., United Methodist Women, Stardust Study Club and WWW Club.

She worked as a receptionist and assistant for the dentist, Dr. Lowell in Belleville for 17 years.

She was preceded in

death by her parents, Harold and Florence Stafford, husband, Ralph V. Walter, four sisters, Marjorie, Rosalyn, Ruby, Betty, one brother, Dale Stafford.

She is survived by three sons, Gary (Maxine) Walter of Erskine MN, Richard (Peggy) Walter of Belleville, Darrell (Zoila) Walter of Brandon FL; eight grandchildren, 18 great grandchildren, seven great-great-grandchildren,

Funeral services will be held, 1:30 p.m., Friday, October 30, First United Methodist Church, Belleville, conducted by, Rev. Emily Meckley. Interment in Belleville Cemetery. Memorials to First United Methodist Church, or family choice. Friends may call on Wednesday from 1 p.m. to 9 p.m., Thursday from 9 a.m. to 9 P p.m. at Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville.

Online condolences and information at www.bachelor-surber.com. Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, Kansas is in charge of arrangements.

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Linda Butler-Woods

Linda L. Butler-Woods, 75, of Salina, KS, died on December 8, 2015.

Memorial services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, January 2, 2016 at the First United Methodist Church, Belleville, KS, with Pastor Emily Meckley, officiating.

Memorials are suggested

to the Harold and Dorothy Richardson Scholarship Fund.

Friends may sign the book prior to the services at the church on Saturday.

Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, KS is in charge of the arrangements.

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Lois Maxine (Luckey) Woods

Lois Maxine (Luckey) Woods was born on the family farm south of Glen Elder on April 12, 1927, the eighth of 10 children born



to Weldon Wilbur and Florence Pleasant (Deeds) Luckey. She died December 28, 2015.

She attended Antelope

grade school, Glen Elder, and graduated from high school in Glen Elder in 1944.

She attended Brown Mackie School of Business in Salina. She worked for Production Credit Corp., Beloit, the Beloit Farm Bureau Office and the Mitchell County Extension Office.

She married Rex Woods September 7, 1947, in Beloit.

In 1950 they moved to Salina. She was a secretary for a lawyer and worked at home and for her husband, Rex until the 1970s.

After the couple divorced she became the receptionist at Kansas Technical Institute and worked there through the transition to K-State Salina. She worked there until her retirement.

She is preceded in death by: her parents; brothers - John, Lawrence, and Noel; sisters - Blanche, Medora, Nola and Bernice; and daughter - Pam Nowak.

She is survived by: son - Rod and wife, Sue Woods, Belleville; daughter - Terri and husband, Steve Melby, Mankato; seven grandchildren; three great-

grandchildren; brothers, Francis and Weldon.

Celebration of life services were held January 2 at the Melby Mortuary, Mankato, Pastor Dennis Beckmann officiated. Interment in High Prairie Cemetery, Glen Elder. Memorials to Lois Woods Memorial Fund. Online condolences at www.melbymortuary.com. Melby Mortuary, Mankato was in charge of arrangements.

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Gary Eugene Yardley

Gary Eugene Yardley, 67, of Gardner, Kansas, passed away June 18, 2015, at Olathe Medical Center. Celebration of Life was held Monday, June 22, 2015, at Bruce Funeral Home, Gardner, Kansas. Graveside Services were held on Tuesday, June 23, 2015, in Riverview Cemetery, Scandia, Kansas, with Bachelor-Faulkner-Dart-Surber Funeral Home, Belleville, handling the arrangements. Memorial contributions may be made to Karri Cody / Gary Yardley Fund at Central



National Bank.

Gary was born Feb. 12, 1948, at Bryant General Hospital in Lincoln, Nebraska, to Dorothy Ann (Hubl) and Paul Lawrence Yardley.

He graduated from St. Joseph Academy in Chillicothe, Missouri. Gary served six years in the US Army National Guard enlisting in 1968 and 1974.

He married Linda Jean Bundy on February 15, 1969, in Chillicothe. They lived in Merriam, Paola, Spring Hill and then Gardner.

His passion was restoring antique furniture. He and his wife owned Yardley General Store, specializing in antiques and Classic Window Designs, in Spring Hill in the 70's - 90's. Gary loved fishing and playing cards. His favorite past-time in later life was riding his scooter around Gardner, where he was known by everyone as the "scooter man," socializing with friends and hanging out with his grandchildren. He will be missed by family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Gary is survived by his wife, Linda, of the home; four children, Roseann Schuman of McLouth, Kansas, Jennifer Renft of Belleville, Kansas, Karri-Ann Cody of Gardner and Michael Yardley of Lansing; nine grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; many nieces and nephews; sisters, Pam Hamil of Kansas City, Missouri, Vickie Griffith of Dawn, Missouri, and Patty Anderson of Cameron, Missouri; and brother, Roger Yardley, of Eudora, Kansas.

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He is survived by his wife Linda, of the home; four children: Roseann Schuman of McLouth, KS, Jennifer Renft of Belleville, Karri-Ann Cody of Gardner and Michael Yardley of Lansing, KS; nine grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; sisters Pam Hamil of Kansas City MO, Vickie Griffith of Dawn, MO and Patty Anderson of Cameron, MO and brother Roger Yardley of Eudora, KS.

Celebration of Life was held June 22 at Bruce Funeral Home, Gardner, KS, and graveside service was June 23, 2015 in Riverview Cemetery, Scandia, Bachelor-Faulkner-Dart-Suber Funeral Home. Memorial contributions to Karri Cody / Gary Yardley Fund at Central National Bank. Condolences may be left at www.brucefuneralhome.com

Annabelle Young

Annabelle Young was born March 24, 1941 in Mulvane, Kansas the daughter of Luther and Ruby (Lovely) Simon.

She graduated from Mulvane High School and graduated from Kansas State University with a bachelor's degree in social work. She



worked for the Social and Rehabilitation Services in Salina for 27 years retiring in 2004.

On March 24, 1967 she married Lester Young in Winfield, KS. She was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, and the Abilene Doll Club. She had collected over 800 dolls.

She died Monday, November 23, 2015 at the Memorial Hospital in Abilene.

She is survived by her husband Lester of the home. She is also survived by her daughter Shellie Williams of Belleville;

son Michael Cole of Belleville, brother Dwayne Simon of Azle TX; seven grandchildren and nine great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents.

The family has selected cremation and there will be no services. Memorial contributions may be made to Village Manor and may be sent in care of the Martin-Becker-Carlson Funeral Home, 414 NW 3rd, Abilene, Kansas 67410. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.martinbeckercarlson.com.

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Betty L. Zenger

Betty Louise (Burt) Zenger, age 84, died Tuesday, January 27, 2015 at the Good Shepherd Hospice House in Manhattan after a lengthy illness.

She is survived sons: Steve and wife Micki, Haddam, Rex and wife Mitzi, Manhattan; daughter Kathi Stenfors and husband Bill, Manhattan; seven grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren, her sister Doris Ford, Manhattan.

She is preceded in death by her husband Wesley "Babe" in August 2014; her parents; brother Edwin Burt, two infant brothers, and one great grand-

daughter.

She was born to Judson and Loretta (Teeter) Burt December 18, 1930 in Belleville.

She attended school at Haddam and graduated in 1948. She married Wesley "Babe" Zenger June 1, 1950. They lived and farmed west of Haddam for 64 years where she grew up.

She started substitute teaching while still in high school at Haddam Grade School. Through her 38 year teaching career, she taught in Nebraska at Pleasant Valley and Dry Branch country schools, Thompson and Reynolds. In Kansas she taught in Cuba, Belleville, and Haddam. She continued to substitute for 17 years after retirement in 1996. She was the first kindergarten teacher for both Cuba and Haddam. Always working on her college degree, she received her diploma from Fort Hays State University in 1979 after all three of her children were college graduates.

She was a life-long member of the United Methodist Church of Haddam where she was the organist for many years.

Funeral services were held Saturday, January 31, at the United Methodist Church, Haddam, with Pastor Randy Jellison-Knock officiating. Burial was in the Haddam City Cemetery. Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville, Kansas assisted with arrangements. Memorials to the Haddam Church or Good Shepherd Hospice House of Manhattan.

Kay A. Zach

Kay A. Zach, 55, Agenda, died June 29, 2015 at the Salina Regional Medical Center.

She was born on June 1, 1960 to Billy Ray and Glennis Kay (Sterrett) Simons.

She was a 1978 graduate of Clyde High School. She worked for Park Villa Nursing in Clyde in food service. She also worked for Casey's General Store in the food service department in Concordia.

Survivors: husband, Paul Zach, Agenda; two daughters, Erin Peck, Wynne, Ark.; Autumn Zach, Muscotah; three sons, Chris Zach (Trisha), Overland Park; Casey Zach, Agenda; Carl Zach, Olathe; mother, Glennis Fosdick (Darrell), Clyde; three brothers, David Simons (Heidi), Topeka; William Simons, Topeka, KS.; Mike Simons (Julie), Clifton; one sister, Sabrina May, Agenda; two grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her father Billy and grandparents.

Cremation has taken place and a graveside memorial service will be held at 10 a.m. on Friday, July 3, 2015 at the Agenda Cemetery, with Millard Trecek officiating.

Memorial contributions may be given to Kay A. Zach memorial fund in care of Chaput Mortuary, Clyde.

For online condolences may be sent to www.chaputbuoy.com.

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