

Obituaries

Connie D. Miller Cooper

Sept. 20, 1937 - July 27, 2010.

Longtime Goodland, Kan., resident Connie D. Miller Cooper, 72, died Tuesday, July 27, 2010, at her home.



Cooper

She was born Sept. 20, 1937, at Bird City, the daughter of Clyde Edward and Rose Inez (Talmon) Bolyard. She graduated from high school in Bird City.

On June 12, 1955, she and Marlyn K. Miller were married at Bird City, and they made their home in Goodland. She had been the owner and administrator of Connie's Home Health.

Preceding her in death were her husband, Marlyn Miller, who died May 28, 1996; her ex-husband, Johnny Cooper; and

two sisters, Audrey Bolyard and Genevieve Hardin.

Surviving family includes her son, Rodney Miller of Goodland; her daughter, Tamara Fogg and her husband, Loyd of Goodland; seven grandchildren, Drew Miller and his wife, Whitney, Seth Miller and his wife, Kendra, Cheyenne Miller, Colter Miller, Christina Burgess and her husband, Justin, Kimberly Clark and her husband, Jeff, and Courtney Knox and her husband, Dusty; and the 12 great-grandchildren.

The funeral was Friday, July 30, at Koons Chapel in Goodland, with The Reverend H. A. Lycett officiating. Burial was in the Goodland Cemetery.

Memorials may be designated to Feed The Children, and may be left at or mailed to Koons Funeral Home, 211 N. Main, Goodland, KS 67735-1555.

Ethel Louise Gleason Sawyer was born in a small sod house just south of Bird City, Kan., on Dec. 20, 1919, the sixth of 10 children born to Philander Clarke "Pood" and Cora Idell (Palmer) Gleason.

Louise died on July 24, 2010, at the Cheyenne County Hospital in St. Francis.

Preceding her in death were her husband, Howard; her parents; her brothers, Joseph Perl, Clarence Laverne "Tom," Junior Clark and wife, Leila, Lloyd and wife, Ida; her sisters, Frances and Erma Belle; her sister-in-law, Betty; her brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Russell and wife, Adeline Sawyer, Mildred Platt and Ila and husband, George Friberg; and one son-in-law, Daniel M. Sullivan.

Louise grew up on a farm approximately 6 miles south of Bird City, where she attended the Mt. Pleasant country school. On the farm, she enjoyed helping with the harvest, driving the horses which pulled the header barge, shucking corn and helping to milk the cows... often squirting milk in the kittens' mouths.

E. Louise (Gleason) Sawyer

Dec. 20, 1919 - July 24, 2010

After graduating from Bird City Rural High School in 1937, Louise taught school at the Frontier School where she taught all eight grades.

On June 1, 1939, Louise married Howard Wesley Sawyer at the Justice of the Peace in St. Francis. They celebrated their 40th anniversary with a family trip to Oregon. In 1989, their 50th wedding anniversary was celebrated with a family dinner and program with all the family performing their talents at her request. In 1999, they were again fortunate to celebrate their 60th anniversary with a family potluck in Bird City. Their 68th anniversary was celebrated with a cake and punch reception at the Good Samaritan Village where Howard had resided since August of 2006.

Four children were born to this union: Detta Mae in 1940, Derald Eugene in 1941, Bryon Lee in 1952 and Darlene Rae in 1955. After the kids were grown and had moved away, she always had a pot of vegetable soup on the stove to welcome her kids home. Louise was a very loving, gracious and understanding mother throughout her lifetime and

will be missed as a friend as well as a mother by her children.

The Sawyer family lived many places, including Ft. Logan, San Antonio, Denver, Stratton and Goodland before finally moving back to Bird City in 1948 where they lived until Howard moved to the Good Samaritan Village in 2006 and then Louise moved into her apartment in St. Francis in September, 2007, where she resided...living on her own...until her death.

While they lived in Denver, Louise worked at Remington Arms for a little over a year during World War II. After moving back to Bird City in 1948, Louise was a mother and homemaker for many years to her family of four. She was active in her church and in the Rebekah Lodge as well as attending all of the school events for all four kids.

In 1965, she began working for her brother at the Gleason Rexall Drug Store and remained there until it closed in 1980. In 1987, she became the Avon lady and retired in 2007 when she moved to St. Francis.

After retiring from the drug store, Louise took a quilting class and from then on she was hooked. She enjoyed quilting with the Methodist ladies for many years and continued quilting at home on her own...making baby quilts for her great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

Family was important to Louise and she made time for each member of the family. Every year for the last 20 years, the Sawyer family would

get together for a few days of fun... usually congregating in Bird City over Memorial Day. The whole family shared many hours of fun playing Nertz and Aggravation and will always cherish the memories of time spent together and the family pictures that were always taken.

Left to mourn Louise's death are: her four children: Detta Sullivan of Chandler, Ariz.; Derald Sawyer and wife, Greta of Sioux City, Iowa; Byron Sawyer and wife, Margaret of Kansas City, Mo.; Darlene Lauer and husband, Roger of St. Francis; brothers and sisters-in-law, Claude Gleason, Clyde and Wilma Gleason and Marvel Gleason. Louise was fortunate to have six grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren as well as many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends who will miss her also.

Funeral services were held July 29 at United Methodist Church in Bird City, with Pastor Morita Truman officiating.

Interment was at the Bird City Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Greg Lauer, Gerald Lauer, Jim Gleason, Dwen DeGood, Jason Eder and Ryan Eder.

Honorary pallbearers were grandchildren, Kayleen Allen, Shelley Forse, Kathleen Sawyer and Kevin Sawyer.

In lieu of flowers, the family has designated memorials for the Bird City United Methodist Church, Cheyenne County Emergency Medical Technicians and the Cheyenne County Hospital.

Public Notices

Resolution published for fire district budget

Published in The Saint Francis Herald, St. Francis, Kansas, and the Bird City Times, Bird City, Kansas, Thursday, August 5, 2010. (310)

Resolution 10-06

A resolution expressing the property taxation policy of the Board of Commissioners with respect to financing the 2010 Fire District 1 Budget

Whereas, K.S.A. 79-2925b provides that a resolution be adopted if property taxes levied to finance the 2011 Cheyenne County budget exceed the amount levied to finance the 2010 Cheyenne County budget, except with regard to revenue produced and attributable to the taxation of 1) new improvements to real property; 2) increased personal property valuation, other than increased valuation of oil and gas leaseholds and mobile homes; and 3) property which has changed in use during the past year, or with regard to revenue produced for the purpose of repaying the principal of and interest upon bonded indebtedness, temporary notes, or no-fund warrants; and

Whereas, budgeting, taxing and service level decisions for all county services are the responsibility of the board of county commissioners; and

Whereas, Fire District 1 provides the essential services to protect the health, safety, and well being of the citizens of the county; and

Whereas, the cost of provision of these services continues to increase; and

Whereas, the 2010 Kansas State Legislature failed to fulfill its obligations in regard to the statutory funding of demand transfers and, by significantly limiting state revenue sharing payments to counties, has contributed to higher county property tax levies to finance the 2011 Cheyenne County budget.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners that it is our desire to notify the public of the possibility of increased property taxes to finance the 2011 Fire District 1 budget due to the above mentioned constraints, and that all persons are invited and encouraged to attend the budget hearing conducted by the Board of Commissioners. The date and time of the budget hearings with the Commissioners will be 9:00 A.M., August 31st in the Commissioner Room at the Cheyenne County Courthouse.

Adopted this 31st Day of July, 2010 by the Board of Cheyenne County Commissioners.

Board of County Commissioners
Ernie Ketzner, Chairman
Dale Patton, Commissioner
Andy Beikman, Commissioner

ATTEST:
Terry Miller, County Clerk

Resolution published for county 2011 budget

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Resolution 10-05

A resolution expressing the property taxation policy of the Board of Cheyenne County Commissioners with respect to financing the 2011 annual budget for Cheyenne County

Whereas, K.S.A. 79-2925b provides that a resolution be adopted if property taxes levied to finance the 2011 Cheyenne County budget exceed the amount levied to finance the 2010 Cheyenne County budget, except with regard to revenue produced and attributable to the taxation of 1) new improvements to real property; 2) increased personal property valuation, other than increased valuation of oil and gas leaseholds and mobile homes; and 3) property which has changed in use during the past year, or with regard to revenue produced for the purpose of repaying the principal of and interest upon bonded indebtedness, temporary notes, or no-fund warrants; and

Whereas, budgeting, taxing and service level decisions for all county services are the responsibility of the board of county commissioners; and

Whereas, Cheyenne County provides the essential services to protect the health, safety, and well being of the citizens of the county; and

Whereas, the cost of provision of these services continues to increase; and

Whereas, the 2010 Kansas State Legislature failed to fulfill its obligations in regard to the statutory funding of demand transfers and, by significantly limiting state revenue sharing payments to counties, has contributed to higher county property tax levies to finance the 2011 Cheyenne County budget.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners that it is our desire to notify the public of the possibility of increased property taxes to finance the 2011 budget due to the above mentioned constraints, and that all persons are invited and encouraged to attend the budget hearing conducted by the Board of Commissioners. The date and time of the budget hearings with the Commissioners will be 9:00 A.M., August 31st in the Commissioner Room at the Cheyenne County Courthouse.

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Petition filed in court for the Mueller estate

Published in the Saint Francis Herald, St. Francis, Kansas, Thursdays, July 29, August 5, and August 12, 2010.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CHEYENNE COUNTY, KANSAS

In the Matter of the Estate of

Case No. 10-PR-07

RUBY MUELLER, Deceased

NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a Petition has been filed in this Court by Vickie M. Thomas, one of the heirs of Ruby Mueller, deceased, praying:

Descent be determined of the following described real estate situated in Cheyenne County, Kansas:

The Southeast Quarter (SE¼) of Section Thirty-three (33), Township Three (3) South, Range Thirty-seven (37) West of the 6th P.M.;

The North Half of the Southeast Quarter (N½SE¼) of Section Thirty-six (36), Township Five (5) South, Range Thirty-eight (38) West of the 6th P.M.; and

Lots Seven (7) and Eight (8) in Block Twelve (12) in the Subdivision of the original town, now City, of Bird City, Kansas,

and all personal property and other Kansas real estate owned by decedent at the time of death. And that such property and all personal property and other Kansas real estate owned by the decedent at the time of death be assigned pursuant to the laws of intestate succession.

You are required to file your written defenses thereto on or before the 23rd day of August, 2010, at 2:00 p.m. in the city of St. Francis, Cheyenne County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

Vickie M. Thomas, Petitioner

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Sheriff to sell home at public auction

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CHEYENNE COUNTY, KANSAS
CIVIL DEPARTMENT

Chase Home Finance LLC

Case No. 10CV04

Plaintiff,

Court Number:

vs.

Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 60

Betty L. Griffin, et al.

Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of an Order of Sale issued to me by the Clerk of the District Court of Cheyenne County, Kansas, the undersigned Sheriff of Cheyenne County, Kansas, will offer for sale at public auction and sell to the highest bidder for cash in hand, at the Front Door of the Courthouse at St. Francis, Cheyenne County, Kansas, on August 26, 2010, at 10:00 AM, the following real estate:

All of Lot 4, in Block 35, in THE ORIGINAL TOWN, now City, of St. Francis, Cheyenne County, Kansas, according to the recorded plat thereof, commonly known as 213 West Webster, Saint Francis, KS 67756 (the "Property")

to satisfy the judgment in the above-entitled case. The sale is to be made without appraisal and subject to the redemption period as provided by law, and further subject to the approval of the Court. For more information, visit www.Southlaw.com.

Craig Van Allen, Sheriff

Cheyenne County, Kansas

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Program loosens haying requirements

Many Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) contracts can now be utilized for managed haying and grazing purposes, once approved, as the requirements have recently been loosened somewhat on some practices.

"If you are interested in haying or grazing your Conservation Reserve Program acreage," stated Angie Berens, Director of the County Farm Service Agency, "please come into the Farm Ser-

vice Agency Office first. There are some preliminary things that need decided on and signed before you begin anything. There is also a payment requirement of 25 percent of your annual rental payment on the acres hayed or grazed."

Please contact the Farm Service Agency office at 785-332-2183 if you are interested in haying or grazing your Conservation Reserve Program

Program sign-up is main topic at meeting

The Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) General Signup 39 will be the topic at a meeting scheduled for producers in Cheyenne County.

The United States Department

of Agriculture Farm Service Agency (FSA) and Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) will discuss eligibility, the signup process, and Environmental Benefits Index point system.

The Conservation Reserve Program general signup period is Aug. 2 through Aug. 27. Land currently not enrolled in this program may be offered in this signup, provided all eligibility requirements are met. Additionally, current Conservation Reserve Program participants with contracts expiring Sept. 30, covering about 4.5 million acres nationwide may make new contract offers. Kansas has 2,759,298 acres enrolled in this program, of which 610,311 acres will expire on Sept. 30.

Producers are encouraged to attend the meeting scheduled for Monday at the Cheyenne County Courthouse Courtroom at 1:30 p.m.

Conservation Reserve Program is a voluntary program that assists farmers, ranchers and other agricultural producers to use their environmentally sensitive land for conservation benefits.

Persons with disabilities who require accommodations to attend or participate in this meeting should contact Angie Berens at 785-332-2183 or e-mail angie.berens@ks.usda.gov by 9 a.m. Aug. 9.

UPCOMING EVENTS in Kansas

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August 4-8, Dodge City
The Greatest Show on Dirt!
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dodgecityroundup.org

Classic Car Show
August 7, Dodge City
See classic cars from all over the country. Games and prizes all day. dodgecitydays.com

Old Settlers Celebration
August 13-15, Halstead
Experience a weekend getaway!
Enjoy family fun with many events planned. Carnival, parade, BBQ, fireworks, much more!
HalsteadKansas.com

Frontier Western Celebration
August 19-22, El Dorado
2 nights Extreme Bull Blowout!
Country duo "Bomshel" in Concert, BBQ Contest, Heritage Events and so much more!
FrontierWesternCelebration.com

Topeka Railroad Festival
August 21, Topeka
Bring the family and enjoy rides, food & drink, entertainment and trains.
Great Overland Station.
GreatOverlandStation.com

Wichita Flight Festival
September 25-26, Wichita
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