

OBITUARIES

Kenneth G. Kipp

Aug. 18, 1916 - March 12, 2004

Kenneth G. Kipp, 87, of Topeka, died March 12 at Plaza West Care Center, Topeka.

Mr. Kipp was born Aug. 18, 1916, in Prairie View to Harry and Hattie (Zwiers) Kipp.

He attended grade school and high school in Prairie View and business school in Denver. In 1941, he enlisted in the Army and served in Europe during World War II with the 635th Tank Destroyer Battalion. At the time of his discharge, he had reached the rank of staff sergeant.

On June 21, 1942, he married Velma Ruth Sumner.

Mr. Kipp worked for Monroe Calculating Machine Co. for 32 years, retiring in 1980. He then worked part time for Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas at the security desk for 10 years.

He was an active member of

West Side Christian Church for 59 years serving as an usher, deacon and elder. He was a member of Philip Billard Veterans of Foreign Wars Post.

He is survived by his wife Velma; his son Roger and Donna Kipp, Estes Park, Colo.; daughters, Margaret and Tom Cochrane and Brenda Kipp, Topeka; and nine grandchildren

Funeral services were held March 15 at West Side Christian Church with burial in West Lawn Memorial Cemetery, Topeka.

Memorial donations may be made to West Side Christian Church, 432 S.W. Lindenwood, Topeka, Kan., 66604, or to Heartland Hospice, 2252 S.W. 10th, Topeka, Kan., 66607.

Condolences may be shared with the family online at www.penwellgabel.com.

Norton senior earns leadership scholarship

C.J. Thiele, a senior at Norton Community High School, was awarded Kansas State University's \$2,000 Leadership Scholarship during ceremonies March 1 at the university.



He is the son of Lynn and Deb Thiele, Norton.

Flowers are collections that brighten everyone's life

Did you know that some collections don't require dusting?

My mother had a favorite collection that never had to be dusted — but it did have to be weeded. We called it her friendship flowers and some of them still grow in my yard, here in Norton.

In earlier days, seeds were purchased at the feed store and if any money was spent on gardens, it went to purchase vegetable seeds that would produce food.

Many farm wives couldn't even think about an extra dime for a packet of zinnias, much less spare water for such foolishness as flower gardens. But flowers that simply appeared, year after year, were a different matter.

Whenever women got together an informal swap meet would take place. Little bundles of iris rhizomes, used envelopes full of painstakingly gathered hollyhock

Collector
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Liza Deines



seeds, peony roots wrapped in damp rags, dried tulip and daffodil bulbs, even slips from geraniums all magically appeared and were shared.

Planted at the kitchen doorstep, tended carefully and watered, often as not, with the dishwasher, these flowers would pop up without a cent of investment. They brightened a lot of hearts in some dreary years in the 1930s.

Have you ever driven by an abandoned farmstead and noticed a clump of iris or peonies or perhaps an old-fashioned rose blooming away all alone? Some farm wife, hungry for beauty, had nurtured her little garden through thick and thin.

Mama always referred to her flowers by the name of the person who gave her the "start". So when she came in and announced that Amelia was in bud or Florence was already blooming, we knew this was not neighborhood gossip but the garden report.

Amelia was a beautiful iris with white stands and purple bearded falls and her first blossom was an event eagerly awaited each spring. Mrs. DeWitt was a lovely coral, ruffled geranium that spent her winters in our dining room bay window. Mollie, was, of course, Mother's favorite flame red gladiola, as well as a close and dear neighbor.

Another lovely iris, brown and

gold, carried the name of Aunt Esther, while a deep red fern leaf peony was referred to as Fred 'n Mae. The entire yard was full of flowers with names, including Eleanor, the heavenly blue morning glory that grew on our clothes-line posts. I never met Eleanor but she certainly cheered me up when I was hanging line after line of wet laundry.

Yes, we did buy some seeds; however, Mama always earned the cash for those seeds by her prize-winning flower arrangements at the Trego County Fair.

She planted cosmos and daisies, zinnias and marigolds, petunias and rose moss around the edges of the vegetable garden where they could soak up whatever moisture they could steal after the bees, carrots, and onions had their fill. The garden vegetables were wonderful but the flowers added the zest to life and at the height of the season, we had a bouquet in every room in the house and delivered them to friends all over town.

Mama's dustless collection brought joy and pleasure to everyone she knew and even up to the last year of her life, she was out gathering seeds to share. Many of her friends live on in my yard and I cherish the memories in those blossoms.

AUCTION ACTION: Clock collectors spent money as well as time at a recent sale that featured 54 antique clocks. Top dollar went for a Calumet Baking Powder advertising wall clock, at more than \$400, while Seth Thomas mantel clocks ran around \$200 and banjo clocks closer to \$300. All were in working condition with original parts and were a joy to behold.

Evelyn E. Shaw

Aug. 20, 1919 - April 7, 2004

Evelyn E. Shaw, 84, died April 7 at her daughter's home in Clayton.

Mrs. Shaw was born August 20, 1919, in Selden, the daughter of John Paul and Agnes Mary (Heagney) Slaven.

She was raised in Prairie Dog Township and graduated from Selden High School.

On Aug. 16, 1939, she and Clifford A. Shaw were married in Stratton, Colo. She was a homemaker and farmwife enjoying sewing, quilting, reading, gardening and fishing. Mrs. Shaw was a member of St. Phillips and James Catholic Church; Willing Workers 4-H; Kansas PRIDE program; Selden Extension Homemakers; Selden Garden Club; and Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

Preceding her in death were her parents; her husband, Clifford; two sisters, Dorothy Axton and

Doris Harold; a son-in-law, Donald Bittel; and twin great-grandchildren, Johnny and Lauren Shaw.

She is survived by two sons, John Elmer and Arola Shaw, Glade; and Francis Edward and Anita Shaw, Agra; three daughters, Barbara Ann Bittel, Greeley, Colo.; Agnes Louise and Richard Davis, Auburn, Wisc.; and Laura Lorraine and Joe Robinson, Clayton; a brother, John Slaven; 19 grandchildren; and 40 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were to be held Tuesday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Selden with Rev. George Kochuvelikkakam officiating. Burial was in the Selden Cemetery.

A memorial fund has been established in her name. Contributions to the fund may be sent to Pauls Funeral Home, 4th and Illinois, Selden, Kan., 67757.

Clyde K. Ukele

March 20, 1925 - April 9, 2004

Clyde K. Ukele, 79, died April 9 at the Lutheran Home, WaKeeney.

Mr. Ukele was born March 20, 1925, in Ogallah to Leroy and Marjorie (Tawney). He graduated from Trego Community High School.

He enlisted in the U.S. Air Force and served in World War II. He was a belly-gunner on a B-17 named "Satan's Lady" with the 369th Bomb Squadron of the 306th Bomb Group, the "Flightin' and Bitin' Boxing Bumblebee". The group disbanded in 1945, in England, following completion of 30 missions over Germany. "Satan's Lady" flew over 130 missions and Mr. Ukele's crew was first to fly over Germany. His crew was the most decorated squadron of the 8th Air Force in the Foreign Theater of Operations.

Mr. Ukele met his wife, Myrtle "Jinx" Carpenter while stationed in London. She came to America and on July 27, 1946, they were married in WaKeeney.

Mr. Ukele trained with the Kansas Wildlife and Parks Department and became the game warden for

Kirwin Reservoir and later at Sebelius Lake until his retirement. He was an avid fisherman and hunter.

He is preceded in death by a son, Roger, two grandchildren, Kenneth and Krystal Ukele; and a son-in-law, John Bucher.

Survivors include his wife, two daughters, Quenadyne Bucher, San Francisco; and Deirdre and Greg Hoover, Hays; a son, Rick Ukele, Salina; a sister, Hazel and Charlie Zeman, Osborne; and four grandsons.

Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Enfield Funeral Home, Norton. Wilmer Severns will officiate.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials to The Lutheran Home, 320 South Avenue, WaKeeney, Kan., 67672.

MARKETS

At close of business April 12

Wheat	\$3.71
Milo	\$4.95
Corn	\$3.01
Soybeans	N/A

Annual meeting set for Friday

The 2004 annual meeting for Rural Telephone Service Co. of Lenora will be held at 7 p.m. on Friday, at the Victoria High School Auditorium, with registration from 6-6:45 p.m.

The meeting will include reports from the president and general manager, as well as election of trustees. Following this, Brandon Nimz of WaKeeney will give a video presentation. A senior at

Trego Community High School, he participated in the ninth annual Foundation for Rural Service youth tour to Washington from May 31-June 4 last year. He will share highlights of his visit to the nation's capitol, which was sponsored by Rural Telephone.

There will be child care for small children and "Movie Mania" is planned for children ages 3-10 in the school band room.

READERS

— PINOCHLE TOURNAMENT 7 p.m., Sunday, April 18, Norton American Legion. 4/13

Joshua Jackson, a junior at Bethany College in Lindsborg, participated in the Messiah Festival Honor's Recital on Thursday. He is the son of Dewayne and Aurelia Jackson, Norcatour.

— Steak and seafood night, Thursday 6-9 p.m. American

Legion. Members and guests. 4/13

— CITY OF NORTON WILL FLUSH HYDRANTS, FRIDAY, APRIL 16 weather permitting. Please refrain from doing laundry on this day. 4/13

— Prairie Statesman Concert in McCook. Tickets \$7 and \$9. Call Phil Lesh 877-2310. 4/13

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Enjoy live music performed by the Victoria Community Band during registration!

Financial & Cooperative **REPORTS!**

ELECTION of Trustees.

DOOR PRIZES will be given away!

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