

OBITUARY

Henry Skinner

May 22, 1937 - Oct. 15, 2005

Henry Skinner, 68, died Saturday at his home in Norton. Mr. Skinner was born in Arkansas on May 22, 1937, the son of Earl Godby and Sophia Eugenia (Ford) Skinner.

He grew up in Holly Grove, Ark., attended the Holly Grove grade and high schools, and the White's Ferry Road School of Biblical Studies.

On June 13, 1959, he married Dorothy Rogers in Holly Grove. They lived there until October 1989, when they moved to Norton, where he worked as a correctional supervisor at the Norton Correctional Facility.

He was a member of the Norton Christian Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents, an infant brother, and four brothers, Jimmy Dale, Vernon, Bobby George, and John Skinner. Survivors include his wife, Dorothy, of the home; seven children, Donna and Tracy Martin, and Bobby and Denise Skinner,

Lyons; Virginia Martinez, Great Bend; Pamela and Mark Teeter, Hays; and Judy and Steve Simmons and Amber and Andrea Skinner, Norton; two brothers, Buddy Skinner, Montana, and Walter and Diann Skinner, Louisiana; seven sisters, Dora Bailey, Arkansas; Coleen Chapman, Oklahoma; Virginia and Joseph Rhoades, Earlene and Milton Booker, Betty Ruth and Horace George and Joyce Dunavan, Arkansas; and Shirley and Jimmy Parker, Texas; and 13 grandchildren.

Visitation will be held today from 3 to 8:30 p.m. at Enfield Funeral Home.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday at the Norton Christian Church. Burial will be at Norton Cemetery.

A memorial fund has been established in his name. Contributions may be sent in care of Enfield Funeral Home, 215 W. Main, Norton, Kan. 67654.



Claudia and Ira Mann

Couple celebrates 60 years together

Ira J. and Claudia (Hurt) Mann will mark their 60th wedding anniversary Saturday. Friends, relatives, former students and co-workers are invited to send cards to the couple at Box 65, Bradley, Okla. 73011.

Mr. Mann is a retired vocational agriculture teacher. He taught in Long Island, Colby and Garden City. He served in the U.S. Army

in World War II and the Korean War.

Mrs. Mann was a teacher, substitute teacher and teacher's aide before her retirement.

The couple have three sons, Mike and Terri, Wichita, Greg and Brenda Mann, Norton and Dr. Bryan Mann, Valley Center, and six grandchildren.

Moving away is tough for a kid

I was 4 and had just started the big adventure of kindergarten in Hill City when Mama and Dad announced at supper one night that we were going to move to WaKeeney, where Dad was to manage the IGA grocery store.

He and Mama were delighted; Roger and I were dismayed. Ann, who worked and lived away from home now, didn't even know.

"I'll just stay here," I said, "in case Ann comes back."

Mama explained new people would be living in our house and we would send Ann a letter to tell her where to come home.

"Then I'll stay in the barn," I said with determination. "I can eat supper over at Marjorie Jean's house. Her mama won't care."

Mama explained the new people have sheep that will live in the barn.

"Well, I can sleep in the chicken house then," I told them, "or over at Mae's house."

"C'mon, kid," Roger said. "We better pack up. Tall people always get their way."

And he hauled me off to find a box so I could pack my doll clothes.

And he was right. In just a few days Uncle Jim rattled in with his farm truck and "home" was dismantled in less than three hours. Far, far to the south we drove — 24 miles. Would I ever see my Grandpa Cafferty again? WaKeeney was a strange name, a foreign country for all I knew.

Uncle Jim, Dad and Roger rode in the front seat while Mama, Aunt Florence and I rode in the truck bed, cozily hedged in among mattresses and bedding.

Mama and Florence kept telling me Grandpa would take the bus over to visit us. They said the new house had all kinds of wonders, running water and indoor plumbing and a bay window for Mama's geraniums.

Through intermittent snuffling and whining a little bud of anticipation began to grow in my mind.

The new house was on a hill at the very edge of town. There was a pasture and a windmill with a tank and Dad took me out first thing to see a big tree where he pointed out the branch where we would hang a swing for me.

First, however, the furniture had to come off the truck, beds must be

Child of the 40s

Liza Deines



made and the kitchen set up. Mama and Florence bustled about greatly concerned with sheets and curtains and rugs and dishes while the men hoisted and shoveled.

Before long it began to look like a semblance of home although our old furniture looked a little lost in spacious new rooms.

Downstairs Roger found a lovely cupboard just right for toys, so he helped me cart stuff down there and I happily started arranging. Everyone was busy when there was a holler from the front porch.

A nice fellow with a big plate of sugar cookies and a pitcher of lemonade stood there. He was a local minister and while he helped us carry boxes, he and Dad struck up a relationship that was to last for years.

We also were promised for services next week with dinner at the parsonage after. I was given a little picture of Jesus along with an invitation to Sunday School. That picture made it through a lot of years and still sits in my china cabinet today.

The men went out about suppertime and brought back a bag of funny sandwiches from the Red Horse Cafe. They called them hamburgers and they were the best thing I'd ever tasted!

So with a full tummy, my toys in order, my own little bed and my shabby teddy bear I went off to sleep that night thinking maybe moving wasn't the end of the world after all.

It was three days later when I found that the WaKeeney school system didn't have kindergarten classes. I set out at once to walk back to Hill City and achieved almost three blocks before being apprehended, lectured, spoken to sternly and eventually resigned to the fact that Roger was right. The tall people always do get their way.

With harvest, drivers need to be cautious

The fall harvest season is in full swing in many places in Northwest Kansas, so be reminded that harvest season does come with many safety concerns. Here are some tips for farmers and rural motorists to help both parties co-exist with farm equipment when they meet on the road.

- Farm machinery has a legal right to use public roads just as motor vehicles do.

- Farm machinery can unexpectedly turn onto a public road from a field or driveway. It is important for everyone's safety to have patience and share the road.

- Farm machinery travels slower than normal traffic, often at speeds of 25 miles per hour or less. Automobile drivers must quickly identify farm equipment and slow down immediately to avoid rear-

Home ed Tranda Watts, Extension specialist



end crashes.

- Farm machinery operators may not be able to see you because the large equipment or a load can block part of their rearward view. If you can't see the driver, the driver can't see you.

- Slow moving farm machinery traveling less than 25 miles per hour should display a slow moving vehicle emblem on the back of the equipment. This is a quickly identifiable sign to other motorists.

- Machinery that is half on the road and half on the shoulder may suddenly move completely onto the road.

- Extra-wide farm machinery may take up more than one lane to avoid hitting obstacles such as mailboxes and road signs.

Before passing farm machinery:

- Check to be sure the machinery is not turning left. Look for left turn lights or hand signals. If the machinery slows and pulls toward the right side of the road, the operator is likely preparing to make a wide left turn. Likewise, sometimes to make a right turn with wide equipment, the driver must fade to the left.

- Determine if the road is wide enough for you and the machinery to safely share.
- Look for roadside obstacles

such as mailboxes, bridges, or road signs that may cause the machinery to move to the center of the road.

- Be sure there is adequate distance for you to safely pass.

Extra patience, careful driving habits, and the use of highly visible markings and lighting will help prevent farm vehicle collisions as fall harvest continues in Northwest Kansas. Do your part to stay safe.

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JENNINGS NEWS

By LOUISE CRESSLER

Diana Neal, Tulsa, Okla., and Becky Taylor, Russell, visited over the weekend with their cousin, Tom Votapka.

Claudine Bennett went to Augusta Oct. 4 to a Texaco Retirees Annual Meeting. She went to Hays and then rode with Spaugles.

United Methodist Women met Oct. 5 at the church with seven

members present. Helen Rhodes, Kay Brown, Rachel Carter, Kathy Nauer, Lila Jennings, Ruth Chance and Pastor Carrie Buehler with her two children.

Pastor Carrie led a Bible Study on "Lydia" with some interesting discussion following. The plans were made for the Hunter's Supper to be held Nov. 12. There will be a Silent Auction of miscella-

neous items and a table of baked goodies for sale. The women have a new supply of napkins and cards (Sympathy, Get Well and Special Occasion) for sale. They are on display in the foyer of the church. Next meeting will be World Thank Offering. Bring your offering.

Keith and Helen Muirhead of Dresden enjoyed a week's visit from their daughter, Teffani Zadeh and granddaughter Natalia of Chicago. Their daughter, Tamala Schulze of Salina also came for a visit on Sunday, Oct. 2.

Wayne and Louise Cressler enjoyed a musical "Hee Haw" program at Ridgewood Manor in Hoxie Friday. The M&Ms consist-

ing of fourteen members put on a good show.

READERS

— Adventures will be closed Monday, Oct. 24. 10/18

— Steak and seafood night, Thursday and Saturday, 6-9 p.m. American Legion. Members and guests. 10/18

MARKETS

At close of business Oct. 17

Wheat	\$3.40
Milo	\$1.47
Corn	\$1.65
Soybeans	\$5.05

HANSEN MUSEUM

By LEE FAVRE

Where does time go? Here it is October already and we find a chill in the air, leaves beginning to change color and fall, and even the Plaza's apples are turning their seasonal luscious red color.

Janice Kenney, Elm Creek, Neb., set up her "Artist of the Month" display for October and it seems to fit the season.

Within her fall display are items for indoors or out, each with a unique, artistic, and rustic appeal. Janice has also used doors in such a way to create wonderful wood accents for the home.

Don't forget to stop by and check out the extraordinary and

exciting works of the late Lester Raymer, a Lindsborg artist. This exhibit, "Inspirations: the Art of Lester Raymer", will run through Nov. 13.

Crafters, Vendors, Musicians Needed First Annual Festival and Old Time Tent Meeting
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HAPPY Birthday!

Guess who turns 50 on October 20?

You can ask the "old" bugbuster herself!

P.S. She is hoping for lots of Geritol on her birthday

SCHOOL BUS

Parents are reminded that all USD 211 schools will start two hours late on Monday, October 24

SCHOOL WILL BEGIN AT 10:30 A.M.

Buses will run accordingly
 Breakfast will NOT be served
 There will be no morning ECD

USD 211 Teachers will be completing state mandated training in the State reading and math standards. The administration and staff of USD 211 apologizes for any inconvenience this late start may cause.