

OBITUARIES

Richard E. Boys Oct. 10, 1933 - Dec. 5, 2006

Richard Eugene Boys, 73, died Dec. 5 in the Logan Manor Nursing Home in Logan.

Mr. Boys was born Oct. 10, 1933, in Graham County, the third of five children of Ralph Robert and Ruth Gertrude (Brumitt) Boys.

He attended Whitfield School through the eighth grade. His first years of high school were at Bogue and he finished at Central College, McPherson.

He was drafted in 1956 and sent to San Diego, Calif., to serve in the Navy. After a shortened term of 18 months he returned to Kansas where he attended Fort Hays State University before a short stint in the oil fields. A trucking job with John Voss kept him busy for the next few years until he took over the family farm in May of 1963.

Aug. 11, 1962, he married Jane Lee Kahler at the home of her parents, Shorty and Betty Kahler in Logan. The wedding was officiated by A.J. Ives with music provided by Wilma Reese and Bill Fritschen. Attending the bridal couple were Miss Sondra Deewall of Coldwater and Tom Nuttycomb.

He got his first introduction to farming at the age of nine, when he

went to work for John Showers. He later followed in the footsteps of his grandfather and by the 1970s was farming 2,500 acres.

Later in life, after retirement, he still enjoyed going to the farm to help with harvest, driving the combine and tractor. He also enjoyed driving his car through the pastures to check cattle.

Mr. Boys was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Roger Boys.

He is survived by two sons, Brett and Karen Boys, Bow Creek, and Darren Boys, Jetmore; a daughter, Brenda Boys and Bob Lopp, Butte, Mont.; one brother, Ronald and Evelyn Boys, Portland, Ore.; two sisters, Marjorie and Jim Brown, Kent, Wash., and Marilyn and Pat Scheidt, Salina; and eight grandchildren.

Cremation was planned and there were no services. However, the family did get together Thursday evening for a time of sharing and visitation at the Logan Funeral Home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Logan Manor or the Parkinson Association in care of the funeral home, P.O. Box 217, Logan, . 67646.

Family to host open house



Ruby Heikes as a young woman

Ruby Heikes will celebrate her 90th birthday. Her family is hosting a reception in her honor from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 23 at the Lenora Community and Library Building.

Mrs. Heikes was born Dec. 22, 1916 at Gaylord.

She moved to Norton County when she was 12 years old and graduated from Lenora High School.

She taught at three different



Mrs. Heikes at 90 years old

country schools until 1938.

On July 17, 1938, she married Lloyd Heikes. They lived in Orange County, Calif., until moving to the family farm in 1946.

Hosting the reception will be her children; Ann and Bob Morgan, Phoenix, Ariz.; Richard and Roberta Heikes, Rowlette, Texas, Debbie and Tracey Hagans, Utica; and her two great-grandchildren.

Everyone is invited to share the day with Mrs. Heikes. If you are unable to attend, you may send birthday greetings to her at Box 266, Lenora, Kan. 67645.

Handmade gift made a child's Christmas to remember Part II

Will breakfast never be over? Now here's Dad taking yet another cinnamon roll and everyone is lingering forever over their coffee. I've had my cinnamon roll and two whole cups of cocoa. Am I the only one who wants to get to the opening of the Christmas gifts.

At last Mama starts gathering up dishes and I leap right up to help. "I'll just get these chickens stuffed and into the oven, and then we'll unwrap," she says. Shucks! Still, my Aunt Florence and Uncle Jim and Cousin Margaret are coming for dinner and we do have to have something nice, so I will try to be patient.

At last we all gather in the living room and Roger, with his goofy Santa Claus hat on, hands packages around. The lump under the quilt stays under the tree. "What about that one?" I ask as he sits down with his pile of bundles. "Oh, that?" he says. "No tag — we'll check on that later on." Hmm. We take turns, going around the circle, opening and oohing and aahing and thanking as we go. Dad really carries on about the bottle of pine bath oil I got him and Mama likes the wooden spoon. Ann helped me wrap it in an old wax paper tube to make it look like a candle with a flame.

And finally there is nothing left under the tree but the lump. "Shut your eyes," Ann says and Roger comes and puts his hands over my eyes just to be sure. He has big warm hands that go over my ears, too, but I can hear thumpings and bumpings.

There it sits! The most marvelous doll house anyone ever saw! It is made from an apple box painted white and it has a heavy red cardboard peaked roof with a chimney. There's a red front door, too, with green bushes and

Collector Chat Liza Deines



flowers by windows on either side, and upstairs, windows, all painted on with fancy curlicues. Roger draws curlicues just like that sometimes. Hmm. Everyone is watching me as I turn the house around and look inside. I am speechless with amazement and delight.

There are four big rooms. Each room has been carefully wallpapered, rosy pink in one upstairs bedroom and pale blue stripes in the other. Downstairs there's a yellow papered kitchen, a green painted floor, a tiny rag rug that looks very much like Mama's crocheted doilies. One wall has a sink, refrigerator and stove all made from white cardboard. There are burners and an oven door painted on the stove. Even sink faucets are drawn on the wall. A big green wooden spool has a cardboard disk stuck on top to make a kitchen table and smaller spools painted yellow serve as chairs. A window with ruffled white curtains has been cut from a catalog picture and glued on the wall.

Exploring the living room I find a square of soft grey carpet, that could be cut from a sock, more catalog windows with drapes, fancy gold striped wallpaper that looks just like our own living room wallpaper.

I finally catch on "You MADE it!" I shriek with delight. "You ALL made it just for me!" They all laugh and smile and start talking and showing what parts each had done. Dad and Roger had painted and drawn and crafted

metal items by cutting and bending old tobacco tins. Mama and Ann were in charge of decorating and everyone contributed to the furnishings. Beds made of matchboxes had crocheted coverlets and little bitty sheets with real little pillows; little blocks of wood covered with fabric from the scrap box held lamps created from bolts topped with red toothpaste tube lids; Mama's washed-out rouge lid was a coffee table with matchstick legs and it sat before an upholstered divan made from lath. Ann had created a frilly bedroom dressing table from a powder box that had a round mirror made from shiny cigarette pack foil. Roger had drawn pictures on the walls of each room and he and Mama had made a crib and the spool rocking chair rockers from clothes hangers.

There was absolutely no end to the ideas they had come up with to please me. And please me it certainly did. When the family got there Cousin Margaret and Ann and I sat on the floor and played dollhouse all morning while Mama and Aunt Florence cooked and Dan and Uncle Jim visited about cows and wheat and such.

And now... And now it's 'way past my bedtime and even cuddled in a new flannel nightie, I don't want to leave the dollhouse. Mama assures me it will be there tomorrow so eventually, with a warm tummy full of chicken and dressing, fudge and peanut brittle, I snuggle down. My heart is very full and warm, too, with joy, as I go to sleep in the secure cocoon of love my family has woven around me this blessed Christmas Day. And that is the very best gift of all.

Doris LaNeva Callaway April 18, 1924 - Oct. 20, 2006

Doris LaNeva Callaway, 82, formerly of Logan, died Oct. 20 at her home in Garden City.

She was born April 18, 1924, in Logan County, the daughter of Arthur Earland and Addie Elizabeth (Archer) Schesser.

She graduated in 1942 from Protection High School.

On Jan. 10, 1943, she married Orlando Paul Callaway in Logan. He died Nov. 24, 1990.

A resident of Garden City since 1999, having lived in Greensburg for 30 years, moving from Protection, she was a homemaker and retail clerk most of her life.

She belonged to Order of Eastern Star for 64 years, holding office and serving in the Grand Chapter of Kansas; the Kansas Quilters Organization, serving as president in 1995 and then as a board member; Extension

Homemakers Unit, Comanche and Kiowa counties, serving as president of the Kiowa County Extension Board; Honeybees Chapter of the Red Hat Society, Garden City; and First United Methodist Church.

She was preceded in death by two sisters.

Survivors include: a son, Phillip, Dodge City; two daughters, Paula A. Patton, Overland park, and Pansy Fryman, Garden City; a brother, Dale Schesser, Wichita; six grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Private family services were held in Greensburg with inurnment in the Fairview Cemetery, Greensburg.

The family requests memorials be sent to the Kansas 4-H Foundation, in care of Fleener Funeral Home, 200 N. Main, Greensburg, Kan. 67054.

Sixth graders audition for honor choir

Six sixth graders from Eisenhower Elementary traveled to Fort Hays State University Saturday to participate in the Kansas Music Educators Association (KMEA) Northwest District Elementary Honor Choir.

These students were: Andrew Ellis, Dalton Miller, Alex Riggins, Kayleigh Norwood, Brianna Karnopp and Kelsey Mordecai. They had to audition and then be chosen for the honor choir, which was made up of 200 students from schools around the area.

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— Norton Rotary Scholarship Funds soup supper will be Fri-

day, Dec. 15, 5-7 p.m. at Norton Community High School cafeteria. 12/12

— Almena State Bank will close at noon on Friday, Dec. 29.

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