

OBITUARIES

Merl L. Chance

September 21, 1928 - September 14, 2009

Merl L. Chance died Monday at Good Samaritan Hospital, Kearney, Neb. at the age of 81.

He was born in rural Jennings on September 21, 1928, to Vern Chance and Stella Hopkins. He graduated from Jennings High School in 1947 and resided and worked as a farmer. On May 28, 1949, he married Ruth Kraft in Jennings. Three children were born to this union.

Merl belonged to the Jennings United Methodist Church, Gideons International, and Odd

Fellows and hobbies included gardening.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a sister Eva Marie Fadura, grandson Steve Broadbooks II and great-grandson Cache Morris.

Merl is survived by his wife Ruth; three children David Chance and wife Debbie of Salina; Kathy Guifoyle and husband James of Colby; Helen Broadbooks and husband Steve of Lexington, Okla.; 12 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Services will be held at the Jennings United Methodist Church on Saturday at 10:30 a.m. with Reverend Barbara Patterson officiating. Burial will be at the Jennings Cemetery.

Visitation will be 8 a.m. until service time at the Jennings United Methodist Church. Memorial contributions may be made to Gideons International or the Jennings United Methodist Church.

Pauls Funeral Home, Oberlin, is in charge of arrangements.

Cloyd Eligh Patterson

August 30, 1918 - September 15, 2009

Cloyd Eligh Patterson was born the first child of four children to Robert Reuben Patterson and Mrs. Emma Amelia (Shipferling) Patterson on August 30, 1918 at Antioch on Highway 2, in southwest Sheridan County, Nebraska. He died Tuesday, September 15, 2009 at the Colonial Villa Good Samaritan Center in Alma, Nebraska. His age was 91 years and 15 days.



Cloyd Patterson

Cloyd moved from Antioch to Axtell, Nebraska with his family in 1922 and to Alma in 1924. In 1925 the family moved to the Prairie Dog area southwest of the old Republican City, Nebraska town site where Cloyd attended the Prairie Dog Rural School District No. 7 through the eighth grade. He started high school at Republican City. He later worked with his father on the farm and for other farmers in the area.

On July 12, 1940, Cloyd Eligh Patterson was united in marriage to Doris Marie Young by the Franklin County Judge Smith at the Franklin County Courthouse in Franklin, Nebraska. To this union five children were born, Sharon Marie, Linda Rae, Patricia Ann, Robert Earl and Luetta Jean.

The family resided in Republican City and Cloyd became employed on the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad at Long Island, Kansas.

On July 21, 1944 he was in-

ducted into the U.S. Army at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. He served with Company L of the 134th Infantry Regiment, 35th Division in the Rhineland and Central Europe, which included England, France and Germany during World War II. He received the Good Conduct Medal, the European, African, Middle Eastern Medal and the Victory Medal. He was honorably discharged on July 2, 1946 at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

Following his discharge, the Patterson's made their home in Long Island and Cloyd again became employed by the Burlington Northern Railroad. He was employed by the railroad for 37 years.

After retiring, the Pattersons' moved to Republican City in 1995. Cloyd entered the Colonial Villa Good Samaritan Center in Alma September 9 of this year.

Cloyd was a former member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the American Legion and the Long Island Lions Club.

As a hobby, Cloyd repaired televisions and lawn mowers. He could fix about anything. He was an electrician, carpenter, and was a jack-of-all-trades. In 1956, he built their first television set from a heath kit.

He was preceded in death by his father on August 31, 1966; his mother on September 28, 1997; two sisters, Alta Irene Kinnaman

and her husband Orville Lynn, and Erma Jean Wernert and her husband William "Bill"; one brother Robert Rueben Patterson or "Shorty" and his wife Joyce; and two sons-in-law Don Davis and William Tyrrell.

Cloyd leaves to mourn his passing his loving and devoted wife Doris of their home in Republican City; his four daughters, Sharon Davis of Hastings, Nebraska; Linda Tyrell of Kearney, Nebraska; Patricia Troyer and her husband Russ of Holdrege, and Luetta Harrison and her husband David of Littleton, Colorado; his son Robert and his special friend Debra Ebsen of Republican City; thirteen grandchildren; twenty-five great grandchildren; twenty-six great, great grandchildren; other relatives and a host of friends.

Services will be held at the United Methodist Church, Republican City, Neb. at 2 p.m. Saturday with Pastor Lorri Kentner officiating.

Burial will be at the Republican City Cemetery, Republican City, Neb.

Visitation will be held Friday from noon until 8 p.m.

Friends are invited to call on Tuesday from 4-8 p.m. with the family present from 6-8 p.m. at Glidden-Ediger Chapel, McPherson. Memorials may be directed to the Alma Colonial Villa Good Samaritan Center, Harlan County Health System/Hospital, Alma, Neb.

Check pressure canners before storing

Although it is not quite time to think of putting canning equipment away for the season, it will soon be time to do that. Before packing up and forgetting about those items that served you so well this past preserving season, take time to give them a little tender loving care! You will be glad you did next year when you see those first signs of vegetables in the garden and fruits beginning to ripen.

First, start with your biggest investment, the pressure canner. For safe operation next season, clean the vent and safety valve. To clean the vent, draw a clean string or narrow strip of cloth through the opening. Check to make sure the safety valve is free of debris and operates freely. Clean the valve by removing, if possible or following the manufacturer's instructions.

Next, check the gasket which is the rubber or rubber-like compound that helps seal the edges of the canner and lid to prevent steam from escaping. Gaskets are removable for cleaning or re-

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placement by following the manufacturer's directions. If needed, new gaskets can be ordered from the canner manufacturer or found at hardware stores. (Some canners do not have gaskets and use a metal to metal seal instead.)

If your canner has a dial gauge, go ahead and mark your calendar now for a time to have your gauge tested in early spring. Contact your local K-State Research and Extension Office for information on checking the accuracy of the gauge. This should be done well in advance of canning season so that if the gauge tests off more than 1 pound of pressure at 5, 10, or 15 pounds, it can be replaced.

If your canner has a dial gauge, be careful not to immerse the

gauge when cleaning.

The darkened surface on the inside of an aluminum canner can be cleaned by filling it above the darkened line with a mixture of 1 tablespoon cream of tartar to each quart of water. Place the canner on the stove, heat water to a boil, and boil covered until the dark deposits disappear.

Sometimes stubborn deposits may require the addition of more cream of tartar. Empty the canner and wash it with hot soapy water, rinse and dry. (Hint: deposits from hard water may be reduced if you add 1 tablespoon of white vinegar to the water in the canner while you process your jars.)

Store the canner with crumpled clean paper towels in the bottom and around the rack. This will help absorb moisture and odors. Place the lid upside down on the canner. Never put the lid on the canner and seal it.

For more answers to food preservation questions, contact your local K-State Research and Extension Office or e-mail twatts@ksu.edu.

FYI

Beverly Kindler, president, was hostess for a special Mid-Century GFWC meeting September 1 at Destination Kitchen. Miss Kindler greeted everyone and hoped they had had a good summer and said that the summer had been one of changes for the club.

Bertie Leigh Compaan presented the 2009/10 Mid-Century GFWC year books. She thanked her committee and complimented them for the fine work they had done on the books. The 108th Sixth District DFWC Fall Convention will be September 26 at the United Methodist Church

in Brewster. Miss Kindler, 6th District president, will preside at the meeting and will be assisted by members of the Mid-Century Club. She reminded everyone to turn in their pop-tops for the Ronald McDonald House project. There will be arts, crafts and photography judging during the meeting. Lynn Nelson and Lois Myers will be the voting delegates.

Miss Kindler gave a report on the GFWC meeting she had recently attended in Hesston. Plans were made for the Operation Christmas Child project. Committees were assigned and "shoe

boxes" distributed.

Eunice Neiltopp reported Mid-Century will deliver Meals-On-Wheels for 2 weeks in October. Following a report from Maxine Wiltfong, the Veterans' project for this year will be a matching fund gift to the Foundation through GFWC.

The next meeting will be Sept. 24 at the Norton Library Community Room. October 10 will be the Annual Federation Day Coffee at Prairie Land Electric. Invitations have been sent to Helios GFWC, Hill City, Coterie Club, Almena and 20th Century Club of Norton.

Couple to celebrate 65th anniversary

Bill and Helen Nelson, Norton, will celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary with family this weekend. Bill Nelson and Helen Loyd were married Sept. 21, 1944 in Alameda, CA. They lived in Natoma and Johnson where they owned and operated Nelson Irrigation, before moving to Norton in 1999.

Their children and their spouses are: Loyd and Pat Nelson, Arvada, Colo.; Larry Nelson and Joyce Quinn, Almena; Jon and Rita Nelson, Johnson and Jim Nelson, Phoenix, Ariz.

Cards may be sent to 602 W. Wilberforce, Norton, 67654.



Bill and Helen Nelson



Melvin and Norma Beagley in 1959



Melvin and Norma Beagley in 2009

Celebration held for 50th anniversary

Melvin and Norma (Hulse) Beagley, Ottawa, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Aug. 30 at Heritage Park in Olathe with friends and family. The event was hosted by their daughters and grandchildren.

They were married Aug. 30, 1959, at the First Baptist Church in Olathe.

They moved to Ottawa in 1983. Melvin worked for Water One before retiring in January, 2008 and Norma worked for Head Start before retiring in May, 2007.

They have three daughters: Debbie and husband Bob Derksen, Iowa City, Iowa; Cherie and husband Ron Keiswetter, Norton; Suzi and husband Chris Zinn,

Olathe and grandchildren Will Derksen, Jon Derksen and Kate Derksen, Iowa City, Iowa; Jessica and husband Ryan Ouweleen, Overland Park; Abbey Keiswetter, Lawrence; Meghan Dillon, Molly Dillon, Tyler Zinn and Sam Zinn, Olathe.

November wedding for young couple

Randy and Jean Kiser, Logan, are proud to tell of the engagement and upcoming marriage of their daughter, Lisa Kaye Kiser, to Tyler William Bolt, son of Don and Paula Bolt, Jennings.

Grandparents of the couple are Dee and Dewayne Kiser, Delphos, the late Cyril and Kiliana Schmidt, Hays, Carolyn Rauch, Belleville, Maxine Zollinger, the late Orland Zollinger, Jewell and Roselyn Bolt, Goodland.

The bride-elect is a 2006 graduate of Logan High School and a 2009 graduate from Washburn University with an associate degree as a physical therapy assistant, and is working on a bachelor's of health service administration degree. Lisa is currently working as a physical therapist assistant in Topeka.

The prospective bridegroom is a 2006 graduate of Hoxie High School and a 2008 graduate of Highland Community College with an associates of science degree, and his certificate for welding from Northeast Kansas Technical College. Tyler is currently working construction in Topeka.

A November 21 wedding is planned at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Hays.



Lisa Kiser and Tyler Bolt

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Both movies are the general admission price of \$6.00 and \$5.00 \$3.00 per person for either movie this Sunday

- Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs
- The Time Traveler's Wife

Saturday, Sept. 19 - Nebraska vs. Virginia Tech, Game Time 2:30 p.m.

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