BITUARIES

Robert N. Lawson November 1, 1929 - June 4, 2010

Robert N. "Bob" Lawson, of United Methodist Church. Goodland, died June 4 at Goodland Regional Medical Center at the age of 80.

He was born Nov. 1, 1929, at Lyman, Neb., the son of Joseph H. and Grace H. (Hendren) Lawson. He graduated from Lyman High School. He served his country in the United States Army from 1949 through 1952.

On July 3, 1952, he and Elaine G. Sayre were married at Mitchell, Neb. and they made their home in Lyman, Neb.

On March 4, 1967, the family moved to Goodland, where he worked for Great Western Sugar Company for thirty-eight years as shift superintendent. After retiring from Great Western, he worked at the Good Samaritan Center for fifteen years as maintenance supervisor.

He was a member of Pioneer Masonic Lodge #322 of Morrill, Neb. and Veterans of Foreign Wars, Lowell Coleman Post 1133 of Goodland. He attended the

Preceding him in death were his parents and one infant grandson

R.J. Lawson. Surviving family includes his wife Elaine G. Lawson of Goodland; daughter Cindi Smith and her husband Brad of Goodland; Christi Mather and her husband Randy of Olathe; son Rob Lawson and his wife Debbie of Norton; five grandchildren Ashley, Jaci, Dustin, Heather and Charli; and two great-grandchildren Kaileigh

The funeral was held today at First United Methodist Church in Goodland, with Reverend Shelly Petz officiating. Burial with military honors and Masonic rites followed in the Goodland Cemetery.

and Emma.

Memorials may be designated to VFW Post 1133, and may be left at or mailed to Koons Funeral Home, 211 N. Main, Goodland Kan. 67735-1555.

Koons Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Memories are in all quilts

Quilts sell so high at auction these days it takes a cache of cash to become a collector. Thank your lucky stars if, like me, you have inherited family quilts.

Modern quilts made with big blocks of vivid color matched materials bring in great money at church auctions, raffles and fund raisers. If you truly long to own quilts, better join a group and learn to make your own. Not being accomplished in needlework myself, I am awed at some of the works of art that flow from the talented fingers of those who are. Genetics skipped right over me when it came to quilting. Both my mother and my grandma were quilters and now several nieces and cousins are avid quilters.

Dad often said his mother, my Grandma Jenny, only lived to make quilts. She was occasionally forced to cook or clean since she raised a family, but those mundane tasks were hurried and slipshod. Quilting was her passion. When she passed away she left a trunk packed full of quilts, enough for every grandchild and great grandchild. Some were only the pieced tops awaiting quilting, but every one was a treasure of tiny, perfect

Student

School released the Honor Roll

for 2nd semester of the 2009-2010

Seniors: Anna Cummings,

Kendra Engelbert, Matthew Mill-

Fiscus, Marcus Herman, Shelby

Jones, Kelsey Nuzum, Connor

Pfannenstiel, Amanda Ray, Beth-

school year:

Highest 4.00:

er and Alyssa Thomson

Juniors: Maia Carlson

Collector Chat Liza Deines

Ann's quilt is French Basket design, made when Grandma Jenny was only 16 years old. It's a small quilt, faded and fragile, backed with bleached sugar and flour sacks French felled together. More sacking, hand cut on the bias, binds it. According to family lore, the materials were sleeves salvaged from dress shirts too shabby to wear. My quilt is Birds of the Air, created with hundreds of triangular pieces measuring half inch to the side, pieced and quilted by hand with the tiniest of stitches. There were no large blocks or strips of material in Grandma Jenny's quilts simply because none were available.

Commercially marketed quilt fabrics of today are beautifully coordinated, elegant and lovely, but they make pretty pricey quilts. In days gone by it was unthinkable to purchase material to make a quilt. Every home had a rag bag

dress patterns, worn out clothing with useable areas and odd bits of ribbon, ric rac and such; nothing went to waste. Color blending and artistry depended on the discrimination of the needlewoman's choices from the rag bag.

My favorites are those quilts of yesteryear, created out of necessity to serve as warm bed covers by utilizing any scrap of cloth that came to hand, including feed

If you study the old patterns you'll note how a multitude of small pieces make up the larger designs. Tight piecing stitches in sturdy fabrics were required for durability. In true vintage quilts one may find a wide range of quilting stitches, however, because many women with varying degrees of skill worked together at quilting bees.

Cardboard templates, cut from waxy cracker cartons, were used to generate consistent piece sizes and shapes, most often geometrics, diamonds, octagons, triangles. When ladies got together they often carried their piecing bags and would swap fabric scraps with each other to add variety to their quilts. Templates were also cut minds in years to come.

full of scraps left after cutting out and swapped to trace designs onto a pieced top once it was stretched and ready to quilt. Braids, diamonds and feathery scrolls were popular. Others stitched around a design within the quilt itself, as is often seen on Dresden Plate, Six Point Star or Rose of Sharon or around individual pieces, seen on Flower Garden's octagonal blossoms.

> Mama sat many a summer evening patiently cutting pieces or stitching them together into blocks. As soon as Christmas was over the quilting frame was set up in the living room. Canasta club was in abeyance while Mama and her friends quilted during the snowy months. Our front door couldn't be opened or the dining room table used when the frame was up. We lived a back door and eat in the kitchen existence during January, February and March when neighborhood quilts took priority.

My quilts are made on a keyboard, thickly padded with memories and stitched together with commas and adjectives, their only colors those of imagination. They may not be toe warmers at night, but I hope they'll warm hearts and

Roger G. Sprick September 27, 1946 - June 2, 2010

and Stella (Stockham) Sprick, was born Sept. 27, 1946 in Prairie View, and died on June 2, at the Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha, Neb. at the age of 63.

Roger grew up in Prairie View and attended the Prairie View schools, graduating with the high school class of 1964. He earned his Bachelor of Science degree from Fort Hays State College in Hays in 1969.

In 1984, Roger started purchasing and selling scrap metal. He loved the interaction with his customers and was always telling jokes. One of his favorite pastimes was going to car shows.

On Sept. 19, 1998, Roger married Marcia Cousins in Stateline,

Roger possessed a joyous soul and smile, and we're pretty certain that the Heavenly Hosts are

Funeral services will be held

The Norton After-5 Club would

like to invite all area women and

their guests to attend the June

dinner and meeting on June17 at

6:30 p.m. at the Town and Country

The cost for the dinner and

"Flower Magic" is the theme for the evening. The special fea-

ture for the evening is "Fresh as a Daisy", presented by Jim Miller,

Norton. Jim will share his expertise on flower gardening to help make your flower beds a beauty

The Norton After-5 Club is

proud to welcome as its speaker

for the evening, Mike MacWhin-

nie, Village Missionary from

Stonecroft Ministries, originally

Mike speaks on the joy of start-

meeting is \$8.00 per person. Reservations should be made by Tues., June 15th by calling Mary

Kitchen on Highway 36.

Jane Hadley (877-5897).

to behold.

from Oakley.

Wednesday at 2 p.m. in the Prairie

View Reformed Church, Prairie

Club News

Roger Gail Sprick, son of Tom laughing because he's already telling jokes.

His parents, Tom and Stella; brother Virgil; stepdaughter, Celeste Barnes; and step grandson, Tray Holman, preceded him in

Survivors include his wife, Marcia, of the home in rural Prairie View; stepdaughter and son -in-law, Brenda and Stack Walker of Palestine, Texas; step-grandson and wife, Justin and Julie Holman of Mansfield, Texas; brotherin-law and wife, Mel and Lyn Pavlicek of Watonga, Okla; and a host of cousins and friends.

Funeral services were held Monday at Olliff-Boeve Memorial Chapel with Pastor Ron Helmink officiating.

Burial was in Prairie View Cemetery.

Arrangements were by Olliff-

tonight from 7 to 9 p.m. at the

Oliff-Boeve Memorial Chapel,

ing a mission church in rural

America in "In Full Bloom". Mr.

MacWhinnie is a cancer survivor.

He and his wife, Sarah, have five

Phillipsburg.

children.

Sophomores: Rhees Carlson Honors I 3.50-3.99 Seniors: Cody Cook, Austine Dole, Ashton Draper, Tonielle

> any Roy, Ashlie Stewart, Bethany Winkel and Kaitlyn Wolf. Juniors: Melinda Becker, Jade Braun, Bill Broeckelman, Dakota Dreher, Danelle Eagleburger, Jana

Honors II 3.00-3.49

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Baumann, Melissa Byler, Kyra Fulton, Taylor Gordon, Justin McKenna, Jacob Mizell, Kelsie Morel, Tanner Morel, Kaitlyn

Norton Community High Shepard.

Sophomores: Abby Bainter, RJ Ellis, Haley Grady, Zach Hartwell, Alexis Henson, Carson Kaiser, Dillon McConney, Erin Terrell and Brooklyn Winkel.

Freshmen: Lane Archer, Ryan Bainter, Jared Bohl, Katherine Boteler, Eli Bozarth, Samantha Gordon, Brianna Karnopp, Alexis Lively, Shelbi McKenna, Dalton Miller, Kayleigh Norwood, John Renner, John Risewick, Joseph Schaefers, Emily Schulze and Dylan Sprigg.

Norton Community High School released the Honor Roll for the 4th 9 weeks of the 2009-2010 school year.

Melinda Becker, Jade Braun, Bill Seniors: Raven Brown, Emily Broeckelman, Dakota Dreher, Kyra Fulton, Diedre Kramer, Zoey Meyers, David Mizell, Kaylen Rossi, Spencer Shirk, Dustyna Sprigg and Rebekah Streck.

Juniors: Troy Bainter, Morgan Bigge, Rhees Carlson, Mariah Farber and Mitchell Shelton.

Freshmen: Lane Bigge, Sierra Heikes, Zhesha Huang, Kaid Black, Katherine Boteler, Jade Braun, Andrew Ellis, Samantha Gordon, Kami Jones, Ruth Ken-Ross, Kaylen Rossi and Rachel dell, Katelin Koch, Alec Melvin,

Juliana Miller, Teslee Nickell, Kaitlyn Ross, Rachel Shepard and Regan Simpson and Rachel Slip-Jeremy Sproul.

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Kalendova, Diedre Kramer, Nic-Highest 4.00 Boeve Funeral Home. quel McVey, Zoey Meyers, David Seniors: Anna Cummings, Kendra Engelbert, Matthew Mill-Mizell, Spencer Shirk, Dustyna DEATHNOTI er and Bethany Roy. Sprigg and Rebekah Streck. Juniors: Maia Carlson Sophomores: Eric Becker, Brae Bigge, Marian Farber, Taylor Honors I 3.50-3.99 Meder and Mitchell Shelton. **Seniors:** Cody Cook, Austine Jacob B. Soodsman Freshmen: Lane Bigge, Sierra Dole, Ashton Draper, Tonielle Black, Jade Braun, Andrew Ellis, Fiscus, Marcus Herman, Shelby Friday and Saturday: 7:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. Cody Ellis, Kami Jones, Ruth Jones, Kelsey Nuzum, Connor Sunday and Monday: 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. June 6, 2010 Pfannenstiel, Amanda Ray, Ashlie Kendell, Katelin Koch, Alec Mel-Tuesday and Wednesday: 7:00 p.m. vin, Juliana Miller, Teslee Nickell, Stewart, Alyssa Thomson, Betha-Jacob Bartel Soodsman died View. Burial will follow in Luctor Regan Simpson, Rachel Slipke ny Winkel and Kaitlyn Wolf. June 6 at his home in Phillipsburg Cemetary in Phillips County. Juniors: Morgan Baumann, and Wyatt Wentz. The Final Chapter at the age of 85. The family will receive friends

Sophomores: Eric Becker, Brae



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