

OBITUARIES

Norma Jane Gordon

Aug. 6, 1934 - Feb. 8, 2012

Norma Jane Gordon, 77, resident of Maysville, Ky., and aunt of Lori Shields, Norton, died Wednesday, Feb. 8, 2012 at Meadowview Regional Medical Center, Maysville.

Norma was born in Maysville on Aug. 6, 1934, the daughter of the late Theodore and Mary Hurst.

She was a member of the Bethel Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her three sisters, Brenda Bishop, Dorothy Henry and Jackie Humphrey.

Survivors include her brother, Theodore Gordon, Upper Marlboro, Md.; four sisters, Shirley Stewart, Judith Green and Vonda Lofton, Maysville, and Edna Thoma, Gahana, Ohio; her longtime friend, George "Sonny" Morton; and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, Feb. 15, at Bethel Baptist Church with the Rev. Christopher Lee officiating. Burial followed in the Green Acres Cemetery, Maysville.

Friends may leave condolences at knox-brothersfuneralhome.com.

James "Jimmy" R. Marshall

July 9, 1934 - Feb. 14, 2012

James "Jimmy" R. Marshall of Oberlin past away on Tuesday, Feb. 14, 2012 at Community Hospital, McCook, Neb., at the age of 77.

James was born in Decatur County on July 9, 1934 to Lawrence H. Marshall and Gladys R. (Penn) Marshall.

He was raised in Decatur County and Lincoln, Neb., and attended West Liberty School District #20, and from 3rd grade through high school, attended school in Lincoln, Neb.

James served his country in the U.S. Army and was a member of Mini Sappa Antique Club. He lived in Syracuse, Kan. on

the farm in Decatur County and in Oberlin. On Dec. 24, 1959 he married Reva Snyder in Oberlin and worked as a diesel mechanic for Koch Oil Company.

James was preceded in death by his parents, Lawrence and Gladys Marshall; brothers, Ronald and Jerry Marshall; half sister, Ethel Roden; and brother-in-law, Ron Snyder.

He is survived by his wife, Reva Marshall of Oberlin; mother-in-law, Dorothy Hunt of Oberlin; son, Lawrence Marshall of Oberlin; daughters, Tami (Brian) Cook of Norcat; Penny (Robert) Fringer of Oberlin; brother, Neil Marshall

of Oberlin; eight grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

A funeral service will be held at Pauls Funeral Home in Oberlin on Saturday, Feb. 18 at 2 p.m. with Mr. Dale Snyder officiating. Burial will be at Norcat Cemetery in Norcat.

Contributions can be made to the Jim Marshall Memorial Fund.

Visitation will be on Friday from 8 a.m. until 8 p.m. and on Saturday from 8 a.m. until service time.

Pauls Funeral Home in Oberlin is in charge of arrangements.

Ernest E. Huff

Nov. 13, 1932 - Feb. 14, 2012

Ernest E. Huff died Feb. 14, 2012 at Hillcrest Nursing Home in McCook, Neb. at the age of 79.

The son of Vance Huff and Erna (Zimmerman) Huff, Ernest was born on the family farm near Lyle on Nov. 13, 1932.

He attended Spring Branch Country School and graduated from Decatur Community High School in 1952, and served his country in the U.S. Army. A farmer by occupation, Ernest resided on his farm near Norcat until moving to McCook, Neb.

On Oct. 25, 1953, he married Donna McClure in Oberlin.

He was a Jehovah Witness in faith and a member of the Grant Township Trustees.

His hobbies included woodworking, farming, gardening and he loved animals.

Ernest was preceded in death by his parents, Vance and Erna Huff; infant son, Larry Huff; and

brother-in-law, Carl Strauss.

He is survived by his wife, Donna Huff, McCook, Neb.; sons, Elden (Charissa) Huff, Lebanon, Neb., and David Huff, West Point, Neb.; sisters-in-law, Bobbie Strauss, Grand Junction, Colo., and Billie (Rex) Morton, Sahuarita, Ariz.; one grandchild and one great-grandchild.

A funeral service were held at Pauls Funeral Home in Oberlin on Friday, Feb. 17 at 2 p.m. with Mr. Don Agrabright officiating and burial at Oberlin Cemetery.

Visitation was on Thursday from 8 a.m. until 8 p.m. and again on Friday from 8 a.m. until service time.

Memorial contributions can be made in Ernest Huff's name to the Decatur Health Systems or Hillcrest Nursing Home.

Pauls Funeral Home in Oberlin is in charge of arrangements.

'Let's dance'



The Norton Community High School held the annual Sweetheart Dance last weekend at the Norton Junior High Gymnasium. Student Advisory Council parent Ann Becker and teacher Chance McKinney took admission money at the door as Austin Hager, Katelyn Engelbert, Kolton Harting and Emily Braun entered the dance. The dance ran from 8-11 p.m. with a large number of students in attendance.

— Telegram photo by Dana Paxton

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mark and Anissa Kats, along with big sister Mara, announce the birth of Tobin Lynn Kats. Tobin was born Jan. 12, 2012 at the Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney, Neb. at 6:24 p.m. He weighed 9 pounds, 4 ounces and was 19.5 inches long.

Tobin's grandparents are Kenny and Bev Schemper and Stanley and Donna Kats of Prairie View. Great-grandmothers are Anna Van Loenen of Prairie View and Wauneta Schemper of Long Island.



Ostmeyer discusses 2012 issues

This past summer Governor Brownback had a Kansas Water Authority Task Force meeting in Colby, directed toward conservation of water to protect the Ogallala Aquifer for future generations.

The results of the stakeholder task force representing the Kansas Water Authority produced points of interest:

HB-2451: Amend the appropriation act to eliminate "use it or lose it" in areas closed to new water rights development.

SB-272: Amend multi-year flex accounts to expand water management in five year periods.

SB-310: (LEMA) Local Enhancement Management Plans that would provide a process for proactive conservation plans with local decision making controls and could provide corrective measures and mandatory water use reductions.

Other discussions were to amend current laws to allow additional Water Bank development and support making the pilot Water Transition Assistance Program a permanent program.

Uncork Kansas is a rising movement of more than 1,700 businesses, Chamber of Commerce, local trade associations and thousands of consumers with a common goal, to allow grocery and convenience stores to give consumers the ability to choose where they purchase beer, wine and spirits.

I need to hear from all busi-

nesses involved, liquor stores and grocery stores. This issue does not seem to go away. Proponents feel they have made compromises that should satisfy all involved. I have some grocery stores that are interested but very few liquor stores in the community. Then there is some interest in selling Class A, the sale of beer only and Class B, the sale of wines and beer. The only way to sell Class C, the sale of beer, wine, and spirits, would be to purchase a license from an existing liquor store

that would sell license beginning Jan. 1, 2013, until Jan. 1, 2016, after which the cap would be lifted, and the number of licenses available for purchase from ABC will be restricted. A couple other points, starting Jan. 1, 2013, existing liquor stores will be allowed to sell any other goods or services, and 3 percent of the liquor enforcement tax revenues will be distributed to cities and counties that lose sales tax revenue due to reduced sales of cereal malt beverages beer.

A grim story with a happy ending

By Ron Wilson,
Huck Boyd Institute

Imagine ... you are a war orphan in South Korea in 1952. Your world is one of hunger, desperation and fear. The priority in your life each day is simply to survive. As grim as that sounds, it was the tragic reality for those young people. But this grim story has a happy ending, as this young orphan would ultimately come to America and build a successful life in rural Kansas.

Tommy Webb has lived this remarkable life. He was the orphan living on the streets in 1952, who was ultimately adopted at the age of six and brought to southwest Kansas. Tommy went on to earn a bachelor's degree from Mid-America Nazarene University in Olathe and a master of science degree in clinical family therapy from Friends University in Wichita. From 1970 to 1974, he served in the U.S. Marine Corps. He married Judy in 1971 and they have two children.

In 1988, Tom Webb was elected a District Magistrate Judge in southwest Kansas. He has been reelected in every election since. Today, he speaks eloquently about his personal story of making a positive difference in a negative world and the importance of valuing ourselves and others.

In March 2012, his message will come to northeast Kansas. Judge Webb is the keynote speaker for the 16th annual K-State Leadership Seminar to be held on the K-State campus in Manhattan on March 15.

The theme for this year's seminar is "Leading in Extraordinary Times." Judge Webb will present his compelling personal message which will set the stage for focused sessions on specific skills that leaders can use in dif-

ferent contexts. These include safer campuses and communities, decision-making, systems thinking, and planning and preparation.

Other speakers include K-State's April Mason, provost and senior vice president; Suzie Fritz, one of the most successful volleyball coaches in K-State history; Heather Reed, K-State associate dean and director of student life; Maj. Gen. Lee Tafanelli, adjutant general of Kansas; Col. William J. Clark, garrison commander at Fort Riley; and Tom Roberts, assistant dean for recruitment and leadership programs at K-State's College of Engineering.

For the first time ever, the 2012 leadership seminar will be videostreamed online beyond Manhattan to two additional locations. Following Judge Webb's remarks, each location will have breakout sessions targeted to regional needs. The sessions will be in Olathe and in Great Bend.

The Olathe session will focus on animal health and safety/risk communications. Speakers include Joye Gordon, K-State associate professor of mass communications and journalism; Jason Ellis, K-State assistant professor of agricultural communication and journalism; and Scott Rusk, director of Pat Roberts Hall at K-State, which houses the Bio-security Research Institute.

The Great Bend session will focus on rural youth retention and recruitment. Speakers include Carolyn Dunn, Stafford County economic development; Jeff Hofaker, Phillips County economic development and president of the Western Kansas Rural Economic Development Alliance; Mary Jo Taylor, superintendent of USD 349 in Stafford; Elaine Johannes, K-

State associate professor and extension specialist in youth development; and Leon Atwell, with the Kansas Entrepreneurial Communities Initiative.

The mission of the leadership seminar is to enhance the leadership skills and capacities of the K-State community and communities throughout Kansas. Seminar participants will learn practical, hands-on information and tools; best practices for effective leadership; sources for additional leadership resources; and a connection to others who are working to grow their leadership skills.

They will also hear about the remarkable journey of Judge Tommy Webb, from the streets of Korea to his hometown of Sublette, Kansas, population 1,583 people. Now, that's rural.

For more information on Judge Tommy Webb, go to www.judgewebb.org. For more information on the seminar or to register, go to www.k-state.edu/leadershipseminar.

Imagine ... you are a war orphan in South Korea in 1952. Your world is one of hunger, desperation and fear. The priority in your life each day is simply to survive. From that grim beginning came a remarkable Kansas whose story is now inspiring people across the nation. We salute Judge Tommy Webb for making a difference with his remarkable message and his remarkable life. It goes beyond my imagination.

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NOTICE:
The General
Clean-up of the
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Sunday, Feb. 19
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