

OBITUARIES

Belva LaRue Aspedon

Nov. 5, 1924 - Aug. 9, 2012

Belva LaRue Aspedon, age 87 of Arapahoe, Neb., formerly of Beaver City, Neb., died Thursday, Aug. 9, 2012 at C.A.Mues Good Samaritan Nursing Home in Arapahoe, Neb.

She was born on Nov. 5, 1924 on land homesteaded by her grandfather near Wilsonville, Neb. She was the eldest of four daughters born to Virtus and Joycie (Vise) Helton. In 1937, the family moved to Beaver City and opened a restaurant. Belva and her sisters worked many long hours in that cafe while attending high school.

She graduated from Beaver City High School in 1941, at age 16, and immediately starting teaching school in rural Furnas County precincts.

During that time, a young man named Fred Aspedon was stationed with the CCC camp north of town. He loved the great pie Joycie made in her cafe, and soon he asked Belva to go to the Saturday night movies with him. Fred and Belva were married in McCook, Neb. on Feb. 20, 1943.

The couple bought their farm south of Beaver City in November of 1944 and made it their home for the next 50 years. By 1950, Fred had convinced Belva that she needed to start work on

a college degree. In 1963, Belva had earned a B.A. in Elementary Education while teaching school full time and raising four children. By 1967, she had earned her Master's in Educational Administration.

Belva taught school for 52 years before retiring in 1998 at age 74. She was in Hendley, Neb. for 14 years, Beaver City for three years, and completed her career teaching first grade at Eisenhower Elementary in Norton for 30 years.

In 2005, Belva moved to Lincoln, Neb. to be closer to family and her medical doctors. However, by 2009, Belva realized she could no longer manage her personal affairs, nor take care of her home so she chose to move back to Furnas County, Neb. She lived at Good Samaritan in Arapahoe, Neb. until her death.

Survivors include her daughters Connie Hewitt of West Des Moines, Iowa and Crelyne Warner of Round Rock, Texas; sons, Aries Aspedon of Lincoln, Neb. and Dr. Arden (Dr. Mary) Aspedon of Weatherford, Okla.; seven grandchildren, Travis (Denise), Amber, Tye, and Dennis Aspedon of Lincoln, Jeff Hewitt of West Des Moines, Iowa, Jeremy Warner of Las Vegas, Nev. and Cia Jayne (Sergio)

Lara of Round Rock, Texas, and step-granddaughter Crista (Chris) DeTinto of Florida; eight great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandson. Belva also leaves behind her sister, Lila Adams of Arapahoe and many loving nieces, nephews and cousins.

Belva was preceded in death by her husband, Fred, in 1994; sisters, Vivian Harding Goins and Bonnie Strickland; brother, Vaughn Helton; parents, Virtus and Joycie Helton, brother-in-laws Don Adams, Clifford Strickland, Verle Harding, and James Goins, and a son-in-law, Robert Hewitt.

Public viewing was Friday, Aug. 10, at the Wenburg Funeral Home in Beaver City, Neb. from 10 a.m. until 7 p.m. Burial was in the Aspedon family plot in Riverton, Iowa, at 10 a.m. on Aug. 11.

Any memorial contributions can be made to the Eisenhower Elementary School library in Norton for use in promoting reading and literacy.

Condolences or personal reflection can be left at www.wenburgfuneralhome.com.

Wenburg Funeral Home of Beaver City, Neb. in charge of arrangements

Virgil Price

Oct. 20, 1924-Aug. 12, 2012

Virgil Price of Norcatour died Aug. 12, 2012 at Decatur Health Systems in Oberlin at the age of 87.

The son of Charles Price and Alta Knutson, Virgil was born on Oct. 20, 1924 and raised in Decatur County and graduated from Norcatour High School. Virgil served his country in the U.S. Navy during World War II and on May 19, 1946, he married Joyce Thielbar and they resided on the family farm in Norcatour. Virgil was also a member of the United Methodist Church in Norcatour.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Charles and Alta Price; two brothers, Russell and Kenneth; three sisters, Bula, Minnie and Virginia.

He is survived by his wife, Joyce Price of Norcatour; one son, Bob (Lea) Price of Mission, Texas; one daughter, Linda (Keith) Jure of Albuquerque, N.M.; three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at Pauls Funeral Home in Oberlin, on Wednesday, Aug. 15 at 10 a.m. with Rev. Ed Woods officiating.

Burial will be at Norcatour Cemetery. Condolences can be left at www.paulsfh.com. Memorial contributions can be made to the Norcatour Citizen's Alliance.

Arrangements made by Pauls Funeral Home of Oberlin.

Ruth McMulkin

Jan. 23, 1918-Aug. 11, 2012

Ruth McMulkin, daughter of William Otis and Hazel Anne (Zimmerman) Sproul, was born Jan. 23, 1918 in Norton County and passed away at the Norton County Hospital in Norton on Aug. 11, 2012 at the age of 94.

Ruth grew up in the Edmond community in Norton County. She attended the Edmond schools and Normal Training. Following her training, she was a teacher at the Mt. Olive Rural Grade School until her marriage. On March 5, 1938, Ruth and Victor Edward McMulkin were united in marriage in Hill City. They made their home in Norton County where they farmed and raised their family. Ruth moved into Norton following her husband's death on May 22, 1978.

Ruth was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Edmond and then later in Norton, and also a member of the UMW, and EHU. She served as a 4-H leader for many years and enjoyed volunteering at the

Thrift Shop and the Norton Historical Society.

Survivors include four children, Marilyn McMulkin of Topeka; Betty and husband, Ronald Frank of Manhattan; Cathy McMulkin of Colby; Michael and wife, Linda McMulkin of Pueblo West, Colo.; one daughter-in-law, Virginia McMulkin of Spokane, Wash.; eight grandchildren, Kevin and wife, Lisa McMulkin, and Mark and wife, Bethany McMulkin, all of Spokane, Wash.; Kay and husband, Erinie Gasseling of Yakima, Wash.; Scott and wife, Amy Frank, and Chris Frank, all of Lawrence; John and wife, Paula Frank of Ft. Collins, Colo.; Tori and Shannon McMulkin of Pueblo West, Colo.; nine great-grandchildren; one brother, Lloyd and wife, Glenna Sproul of Norton; one sister, Helen Hillman of Wakeeney; other relatives and friends.

Ruth was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, and one son, Bud.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, Aug. 15, at Enfield Funeral Home at 10:30 a.m. Burial will be at Edmond Cemetery in Edmond.

Memorial contributions can be sent to the Victor E. and Ruth McMulkin Memorial Scholarship Fund at Colby Community College.

Friends may call at the Enfield Funeral Home, 215 W. Main, Norton, KS on Tuesday, Aug. 14, from 3-8 p.m.

Condolences can be sent to www.enfieldfh.com

Arrangements by Enfield Funeral Home of Norton.

*I would like to say
Thank you to everyone
for their support in the
August Primary.*

*Cynthia Joan Linner
Norton & Treasurer*

(PAID AD BY CYNTHIA LINNER)

PUBLIC RECORD

Municipal Court

These transactions were taken from the records of filings in the offices of the Norton Municipal Court.

Aug. 9

July 8-Ryan Davis, Wilsonville, Neb.; Charge: 1. No insurance, 2. Illegal tag; Plea: 2. Guilty; Other action: 1. Dismissed/plea agreement by city prosecutor; Found: 2. Guilty; Sentence: Insurance obtained and registration obtained. 2. Fine \$200, costs \$76, total \$276.

July 5-Justin Bell, Norton; Charge: MIP-tobacco; Plea: Guilty; Found: Guilty; Sentence: Community service, clean-up Labor Day weekend vintage car races.

July 25-Carson McKenna, Norton; Charge: 1. No proof

of insurance, 2. Speeding 57 in 30; Other action: 1. Dismissed/proof; Found: 2. Guilty; Sentence: Fine \$162, costs \$76, total \$238.

July 28-Cameron W. Burd, Norton; Charge: Criminal damage to property; Plea: Guilty; Found: Guilty; Sentence: \$250, costs \$76 and restitution to victim, five days jail; suspended if total due is paid in full by Dec. 31, 2012.

April 28-Chanda S. Bush, Norton; Charge: 1. Speeding 54 in 30, 2. Operating vehicle not equipped w/ignition interlock device; Plea: Guilty-both counts; Found: Guilty-both counts; Sentence: 1. Fine \$54, 2. Fine \$100, costs \$76, six month probation to court-all fines paid in full by Dec. 31, 2012

I would like to thank everyone who voted in the primary election and I would appreciate anyone who would support me in the general election.

Thank you for taking an interest in our county's politics

Charles "Bud" Posson

PAID FOR BY CHARLES POSSON

Reading has its rewards



The Norton Public Library's summer reading program wrapped up last week and the program's winners have been announced. The youth winners each received a new bicycle and the adult winners earned gift certificates from Destination Kitchen. Pictured are (left to right) Braylyn Brooks, the son of Bart and Cheri Brooks, Darylyn Peterson in the adult division and Kellie Nairn, daughter of Dustin and Racquel Nairn. Not pictured are Libbi Puga, daughter of Holly and Cory Puga, and Cale Patterson, son of Jennie and Eric Patterson.

-Telegram photo by Carleen Bell

Assistance available to farmers

Farmers in Norton and Phillips Counties who suffered crop or livestock losses due to drought on July 24 and continuing may now apply for Farm Service Agency emergency loans.

Loans covering physical and/or production losses may be made at a 3.75 percent interest rate, and are scheduled for repayment as rapidly as feasible, consistent with the applicant's reasonable ability to pay.

Loans covering physical losses may be used to replace installations, equipment, livestock,

or buildings (including homes), lost through this disaster. Loans covering production losses may be used to buy feed, seed, fertilizer, livestock, or to make payments on real estate and chattel debts. Funds can also be used for other essential operating and living expenses.

To be eligible for an emergency disaster loan, an applicant must be operating a family size farm or ranch, must be unable to get credit elsewhere, and must have suffered a qualifying physical and/or production loss

from the disaster.

Farmers who suffered at least a 30 percent reduction to at least one cropping enterprise may have a qualifying production loss. Emergency disaster production loss loans cover 100 percent of qualifying losses.

Farmers and ranchers that think they may be eligible should contact the Norton County FSA Office at 11506 Pineview Dr., Norton, Kansas 67654 or call 785-877-5156 for additional information and how to apply.

\$1,000 prize for best rural photo essay

The Rural Project launches its first quarter theme "Making a Difference in Rural America" on Aug. 1, and invites photos and essays that capture the theme best. Top prize is \$1,000 cash each quarter.

The Rural Project is designed to bring light and attention to a segment of the population that often gets lost in the bigger city news.

Each photo-essay entry will consist of one photo to image, along with a short essay describing how this person, group or organization is making a difference in their rural community or beyond. The essay must be at least 10 words in length and not to exceed 100 words. Complete contest rules and submitting procedure can be found at ruralrefined.com or on Facebook.

These photo essays will mark just the beginning of The Rural Project, designed to bring light and attention to a segment of the population that often gets lost in the bigger city news. Each quarter will bring another theme for photo-essays and all entries will be showcased on RuralRefined.com and the Rural Refined Facebook page. Each quarter, there will be one \$1,000 grand prize winner for best overall image and essay that best addresses that quarter's theme, and have his/her entry highlighted and recognized on the site and Facebook among all of the entries.

For more information, see ruralrefined.com or facebook.com/RuralRefined or e-mail Ranger@RuralRefined.com.

Call Mike with all your social news.
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ICE CREAM "CHURN-OFF"

Sunday, August 19

5:00 P.M.

**First United Methodist Church
Fellowship Hall, Norton, Kansas**

**Bring Your Ice Cream at 4:30 p.m.
It Will Be Judged. Then Prizes Awarded!
Then We Can Eat Everyone's Creations!**

Project Sponsored By: Pastor/Staff/Parish • Committee for M & M's!

Aug. 10 -
Aug. 15

Showing at the

NORTON THEATRE Magic Mike

(R) 2 Hours

Friday and Saturday - 7:00 and 9:15 p.m.
Sunday - 2:00 and 5:00 p.m.
Mon., Tues., Wed., 7:00 p.m.

Total Recall

Presented in Digital Surround Sound
2 Hours, 12 Minutes,
(PG-13)

Only premiere passes for Total Recall
All passes accepted for Magic Mike

Magic Mike is General Admission Price of \$6.00 and \$5.00 - \$3.00 on Sunday
Total Recall is Premiere Admission Price of \$7.00 and \$6.00 - No Sunday Discount

Premiering in Norton, Friday, Aug. 17
ParaNorman (PG)
Coming to Norton, Friday, August 24
Ted (R)



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