

OBITUARIES

James (Jim) Shelton

May 1, 1924 - June 2, 2013

James (Jim) Shelton, 89, of Olathe, passed away on June 2, 2013, surrounded by his loving family at Stratford Commons in Overland Park, Kan. A graveside service will be held on Thursday, June 13, 2013 at 10 a.m. at the Norton Cemetery. A gathering will follow the service at the Sleep Inn in Norton. To leave a message for the family, please visit www.Penwellgabelolathe.com. Enfield Funeral Home of Norton is in charge of graveside arrangements.

Jim was born at the farm home, May 1, 1924 in Alma, to Austin and Mary Shelton. Jim married Rita Thompson in 1942 and together, for 71 years, they have lived in Norton, Albuquerque, N.M., and then Olathe to be close to their daughters and grandchildren.

Jim is survived by his loving wife, Rita Shelton, his three daughters, Jeannie Peterson and husband, Larry, Jody Shelton and Wilma Wilcox, and grandchildren, Jeremy Peterson, Erica Peterson Del Monaco, and David Wilcox, great grandchildren Elle Peterson, Hayden James Del Monaco.

Jim was preceded in death by his brothers and sister, Austin, George, Jane, Joe and Ralph.

Jim handled his journey with Alzheimer's and cancer with determination and caring, and requested memorials go to fight those diseases. The family requests donations to the American Cancer Society and The Alzheimer's Association in lieu of flowers.

Our loving husband and father, born on a Saturday, definitely fit the description in the verse about those born on a Saturday.

It says, "The child born on Saturday works hard for a living." Jim worked hard all of his life and always told us if someone said it couldn't be done, it was great satisfaction for him to just see if it could be accomplished.

His working career began at the age of 18 in the gas business, later expanded to include the tire business. His years in New Mexico and Olathe included a position with Marriott as maintenance supervisor and then after retirement in Olathe he had a "little black book" with all his customers who gave him their garage codes and house keys and wanted him to take care of maintenance on their houses.

Jim's faith was strong and he lived this faith throughout his life. As a young boy he attended Sunday school in Calvert, and his teacher was Louise Pashe. She was a caring lady and often picked up the Shelton boys and took them to Sunday school. He became a member of First Baptist in Norton and then moved his membership to Olathe where he met his best friend, Pastor Bob Kearney.

Family brought proud comments from Jim as he talked about his loving wife, Rita, and his daughters and grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He was also a "rock" for his siblings and took care of his father, mother and sister during their last journey in life.

Service to others was a given for Jim. From serving as a volunteer fire fighter in Norton, city councilman, and his own personal life flight service to help those in need, and being available to help anyone in an emergency situation. When a family

member or friend would come to visit, Jim always walked you out to the car and said, "If there is anything I can do for you, let me know." All knew he meant it. He also suggested his daughters call when they got home to make sure they made it safely.

One of Jim's great interests was flying. After World War II, many of the local boys used their G.I. funds to learn to fly. This inspired Jim to take flying lessons. His first plane was a two-seater Piper C. Later he sold it and bought a Cessna. Jim was generous in sharing his skill for flying and his plane to help others. He flew Bob Dole from Russell on some of his first campaigns in Kansas when Bob started his political career. He flew service men to where they needed to go. He flew patients with health emergencies to area hospitals, and often took his family and friends on trips and for thrilling rides.

The end for Jim was a long and difficult journey, but you were always inspired by the way he handled each day. From the beginning when he had Alzheimer's until just two months ago when he was diagnosed with a late stage of cancer, he handled it all with dignity, determination and care for those who surrounded him.

Jim will be missed every second of every day by his family and friends, but his legacy will live on in the actions and deeds of those whose lives he continues to touch. Being the smart, caring and determined husband, father and friend, Jim's life lessons will still influence us through the years ahead.

Viola A. (Dolly) Kemper

June 4, 1917 - May 29, 2013

Viola Anton (Dolly) Kemper was born June 4, 1917, the only child of Margarete Eva (Rebhan) and Henry Gregory (Henri Gregor) Schuck in rural Phillips County, near the land homesteaded by her paternal great-grandfather, George Fischer (about six miles west of Phillipsburg). Both of her parents were immigrants from the Bavarian region of Germany. The nickname Dolly came from her low birth weight; she looked like a doll.

She died on Wednesday, May 29 at the age of 95. When she was 10, her parents moved to rural Graham County, 15 miles north of Hill City, where she lived until her marriage.

During the Depression when times were difficult, Dolly and her mother spent the winter of 1933-1934 in Brooklyn, N.Y., where her mother found work as a nanny. Margarete had two sisters there and cousins for Dolly to socialize with. Dolly attended business school in Brooklyn.

Shortly after they returned to Kansas in late spring of 1934, Dolly's very healthy father died suddenly of quinsy, a severe swelling of the throat. Dolly remembered having a strange feeling come over her as she was playing her piano, and it was right after that, that she learned of her father's death. (She was an accomplished pianist.) After Henry's death, his brother, Tony, became her father-figure and, later, her step-father after his marriage to Margarete in the early 1940's.

She attended country grade school and graduated in 1935 from Hill City High School. While in high school, Dolly boarded (lived and worked) in Hill City. She worked at a dairy delivering milk before school. Uncle Tony would take her to Hill City on Monday morning

and pick her up Friday afternoon.

On April 20, 1938, she married John Kemper, a farmer from rural Logan, and they began their married life on a rented farm, owned by the town dentist, Dr. Finnegan, about seven miles southwest of Logan near the Kemper homestead. In 1942, they purchased a farm, again, not far from the Kemper homestead, from Dora Criswell. There was neither electricity nor running water in the house. Tending livestock, milking cows, feeding chickens, gathering eggs, canning fruits and vegetables, and quilting were some of the activities that kept her busy. In 1957, they moved into a new, modern home on their farm built by Stephen Lohrmeyer, a neighbor.

John and Dolly raised four children: Sharon Viola, Coleen Margarete, Michael John, and Marcus Gregory. Attending school functions, ballgames, weekly catechism classes, Sunday church, and participating in 4-H activities were all part of their lives while the children were growing up. Dolly served as a cooking leader for the Sunnyside 4-H Club.

Dolly and John enjoyed playing cards at the Senior Citizens' Center in Logan in their later years. Dolly was the unofficial historian for the center. As John's health declined, she became his home health provider. After John's death in 1997, she volunteered at Logan Manor on bingo days and helped the Ladies Guild of St. John's Catholic Church with quilting. One of the last times she drove her car was to Logan in the winter of 2011, at 93, when she just had to get to Mike's house after he had surgery to "see how her boy was doing."

Dolly's faith, although never

preachy, and family were first in her life. Her home is decorated with lots and lots of photos of grand and great-grandchildren. Trying new recipes was a hobby of hers. Volumes of cookbooks and notebooks with hand-written recipes attest to this. She loved being outdoors and mowing the farm yard, which she did until she was 91. Watching the cattle on the farm and feeding orphaned calves were chores she enjoyed in her later years. She was always there to report when the cattle got out. Dolly enjoyed her home and farm and what might have seemed like a lonely life to some, was never a complaint of hers. Through the years, various dogs would be her faithful companions.

Her children are Sharon (Charles) Beckman, Lancaster, Calif.; Coleen (Larry) Larson, Scandia; Mike (Mariana) Kemper, Logan; and Marc (Tam) Kemper, Logan.

She has 13 grandchildren: Charla Beckman (Steve) Johnson, Tacoma, Wash.; Carol Beckman (Mike Jarvis), Swarthmore, Pa.; Dan Beckman (Kathleen) Aliso Viejo, Calif.; Karen Larson (Nikolay) Volkov, Ros-tov-on-Don, Russia; Kelly Larson, Lansing, Mich.; Edward Larson, Topeka; Kristen Larson, Helena, Mont.; Megan Kemper (Mike) Sullenger, Kechi; Tony Kemper (Sandra), Huntington, W. Va.; Shelley Kemper, Manhattan; Monica Kemper (Sean) Kats, Edmond; Jenny Kemper, Salina; and Rhea Kemper, Manhattan.

She also has 15 great-grandchildren: William, Olivia, and Eleanor Johnson; Rhys, Colin, and Quinn Jarvis; Alexey and Roman Volkov; Wyatt and Lorelai Sullenger; Brayden and Landry Kemper; Lexi, Ellie, and Ayston Kats.

Debra Sue Miller

June 9, 1959 - June 2, 2013

Debra Sue Miller, 53, Culver, died June 2, 2013. She was born June 9, 1959 in Norton, the daughter of Donal and Dixie Hawks Campbell. She was a waitress at several Salina area restaurants, and had worked at BFR Metals and a home health nurse with TLC.

She is preceded in death by her first husband Wesley Moody.

Debra is survived by her husband, Bill Miller, Whiting, Iowa; her son, Bill (Souk Saechao) Campbell, Overland Park; daughter, Dixie Starr Campbell, Culver; paternal parents, Don (Glenda) Campbell, Norton; maternal parents, Dixie (Black-



ie) Hejny, Great Bend; brothers, Darin (Julie) Campbell, Norton, and Deyton Hager, Cambridge, Neb.; and sisters, Ani (Mike) Urban, Paradise, and Cari (Robert) Readle, Hays.

Memorial services will be at 10 a.m. on Saturday, June 8, 2013 at the Ryan Mortuary, Salina.

Inurnment will be at 4 p.m. Saturday in the Norton Cemetery, Norton.

Memorials are suggested to an education fund for Dixie Starr.

Enfield Funeral Home of Norton is in charge of graveside arrangements.

Joanne Stephens

May 24, 1955 - May 23, 2013

Joanne Stephens was born May 24, 1955, in Denver, Colo., to Harry and Helen (Bitker) Zaborski. She passed away Thursday, May 23, 2013, at Kit Carson County Memorial Hospital in Burlington, Colo., at the age of 57.

On Nov. 24, 1978, Joanne was united in marriage to Paul Stephens in Colby, Kan., where they made their home. Paul and Joanne were blessed with five daughters and 11 grandchildren.

Joanne was a wife, mother, grandmother and homemaker

who dedicated her life to caring for her family. She was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Colby.

Survivors include her husband, Paul of Colby; father, Harry Zaborski of Goodland; mother, Helen Zaborski of Colby; five daughters, Juli and Lucas Haines of Hays, Jeni and Travis Connally of Aurora, Colo.; Amber and Dustin Pfeifer of Oakley, Andrea Stephens of Overland Park, and Aubrette Stephens of Lawrence; sister and brother-in-law, Judy and Jim McKee of Brewster; 11

grandchildren; in addition to other family members and many friends.

Mass of Christian Burial was Wednesday, June 5 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Colby with Rev. Dana Clark officiating. Burial followed at Sacred Heart Catholic Cemetery in Colby.

Contributions are suggested to the Joanne Stephens Memorial Fund.

Arrangements were by Pauls Funeral Home, Oberlin and Selden, Kansas.

Marvin Leroy Wendel

Jan. 19, 1933 - June 2, 2013

Marvin Leroy Wendel, 80, Hays, died Sunday, June 2, 2013, at Hays Medical Center, Hays. He was born Jan. 19, 1933 on the family farm, northeast of Alma, to Roscoe and Esther (Miller) Wendel. Marvin attended Center Country School and graduated from Alma Rural High School in 1950.

He grew up helping on the farm and, following graduation, Marvin continued farming with his dad. On Dec. 26, 1954, Marvin married Sherrill Lou Jenkins, Norton. They had two daughters, Patti and Jeanette, whom they raised on the family farm. Marvin and Sherrill continued to live on the farm until 1999, when it was leveled by a tornado. They then resided in Norton, until 2007, when they

moved to Hays.

Marvin served in the United States Army and Reserves. Most of his life, he was a farmer. Later, he also worked at the Alma State Bank and the Alma Irrigation District.

He was a member and past Master of Naphtali Lodge #310, member and past Worthy Patron of OES, Bethlehem Chapter #89, member of the Congregational Church, Alma and First Christian Church, Plainville.

Survivors include his wife, Sherrill, of the home, daughters Patti McNeill and Ray Makings, Hays, and Jeanette Harris and Steve Boos, Phillipsburg, four grandsons, Devin and Dustin McNeill, Hays, Skyler Harris, Hays and David Harris, Colorado Springs, Colo.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Memorial services were at 10 a.m. on Thursday, June 6, at Brock's North Hill Chapel, 2509 Vine, Hays. Inurnment and graveside service was held Thursday at Mt. Hope Cemetery in Alma, at 2:30 p.m.

Memorials are suggested to Humane Society of the High Plains, Hays, or First Christian Church of Plainville.

Condolences may be sent to the family by guest book at www.keithleyfuneralchapel.com or emailed to keithley@ruraltel.net

While our hearts are saddened by the loss of **Larry Enfield Sr.**,

we thank you, the great community of Norton, for making this difficult time a little easier.

We truly appreciate your kindness in our family's time of mourning.

Vicki Enfield
Larry Joe and Diana Enfield
Brock and Kim Ellis
Scott and Darla Ellis
Greg and Honor Smith
and Families

GRAVESIDE SERVICE AND CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR **Robert J. Dole**

who passed away on May 6, 2013 will be held at 10:30 a.m., Saturday, June 15, 2013 at the Mount Hope Cemtery in Alma, KS

THERE WILL ALSO BE A INFORMAL GATHERING FOR FRIENDS AND FAMILY IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE GRAVESIDE SERVICE AT THE ALMA CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH WITH A MEAL AT NOON.

Roadwork to begin on U.S. 281

Beginning on approximately June 11, a road construction project to overlay a portion of U.S. 281 is set to begin in Osborne County.

Specifically, the job begins south of the U.S. 281/U.S. 24 junction (at the north end of Osborne) and extends north to the Smith County line (near Portis). The scope includes a two-inch mill and overlay of new asphalt material on approximately eight miles of the roadway.

Traffic will be reduced to one lane; and controlled by flaggers and a pilot car operation during

daylight hours on this project. Minor delays should be expected through the construction time frame, not exceeding 15 minutes. The public should plan their travels accordingly. Pay attention to the signs and workers within a construction zone

and "Give 'Em A Brake!"

For questions concerning this project, please contact KDOT Northwest Kansas Public Affairs Manager Kristen Brands at (785) 877-3315 or kristenb@ksdot.org in Norton.

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