

Obituaries

Ora Rosetta Lindsten

Dec. 1, 1919 - Nov. 29, 2009

Longtime Goodland, Kan., resident Ora Rosetta "Rosie" Lindsten, 89, died Sunday, Nov. 29, 2009, at Good Samaritan Society—Sherman County in Goodland.

She was born Dec. 1, 1919, in Goodland, the daughter of Jens and Ora (Nichols) Jensen. She graduated with the class of 1937 from Sherman Community High School in Goodland, and also from Denver Hair and Beauty Culture Academy in Denver, Colo.

On April 26, 1942, she and Axel Alfred Lindsten were married in Washington, D. C., and while he served his country in the United States Navy, she worked for the Civil Service division of the Internal Revenue Service in Washington, D.C.

After his return, they made their home in Goodland. In addition to being a loving wife and mother, Rosie had worked as a cosmetologist in St. Francis and Goodland. She served the city of Goodland for 29 years, working at the Goodland Public Library for 21 years, and then the High Plains Museum for 8 years.

Her memberships included St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Order of Eastern Star, and Kappa Kappa Gamma women's organization.

Preceding her in death were her husband, Al Lindsten, who died May 20, 2003; her parents; brother, Mark Jensen; and

sisters, Josephine Harding and Alma Huffman.

Surviving family includes son, Rodney Lindsten of Goodland; daughter, Karen Nickel and her husband, John of Johnson; grandsons, Aaron Lindsten and his wife, Jenna; Justin Lindsten, all of Manhattan; granddaughter, Kristen Peters and her husband, Howard of Omaha, Neb.; grandsons, John Trampis Nickel and his wife, Laura of Manhattan; Danzey Nickel and his wife, Randa of Hutchinson; granddaughter, Kally Nickel and her fiancé, Brian Stauffer, both of Cunningham; three great-grandchildren, Gauge Nickel, Zander Nickel, and Tases Nickel and sister, Christina Schiefen of Goodland.

The funeral will be Friday, Dec. 4, at 10:30 a.m. mountain time, at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Goodland, with Reverend H. A. Lycett officiating. Burial will follow in the Goodland Cemetery.

Friends may share their respects on Thursday, from 3 until 7 p.m. mountain time, at Koons Chapel in Goodland.

Memorials may be designated to St. Paul's Episcopal Church, the Goodland Public Library, or Good Samaritan Society—Sherman County, and may be left at or mailed to Koons Funeral Home, 211 N. Main, Goodland, KS 67735-1555.

Norma Jane Schlepp

Oct. 12, 1920 - Nov. 2, 2009

Former Sherman County, Kan., resident Norma Jane (Kail) Schlepp, 89, died Monday, Nov. 2, 2009, at Southwind Hospice in Pratt.

She was born Oct. 12, 1920, the daughter of William Leonidas "Lon" and Mary Atha (Sexson) Kail, in rural Sherman County. She grew up on the family farm, which was 12-miles north of Ruleton.

She graduated from Sherman Community High School with the class of 1938, and then attended Spearfish Normal Training College in Spearfish, S. D. Following completion of training, she taught in schools north of Ruleton for three years.

On Dec. 25, 1941, she and Frank Gottlieb Schlepp, a native of Cheyenne County, were married when he was home on leave from the Army on a three-day furlough.

Norma worked in various jobs while Frank was serving in World War II. Together they farmed in Cheyenne County for 8 years, and in May of 1953, they moved to northwest Sherman County to a farm, which was north of Ruleton, just 1 1/4 miles from where she was raised.

They sold the farm in 1975 and moved to a new home just west of Goodland. She worked at Twila's Fabric Shop, and then at the register of deeds office. She was on the committee that helped put together the first Sherman County History Books, printed in 1981. She also helped compile the W. A. Sexson Family Record genealogy book in 1986.

In 2006, due to their declining health, they moved to Wheatridge Acres Retirement Commu-

nity in Goodland. In December of 2007, they lived briefly in Bucklin, to be closer to one of their daughters, until Frank died in February of 2008. Norma then moved to Parkwood Assisted Living in Pratt. In October of 2008, she moved to Haviland to Home Again Assisted Living, where she resided until her passing.

She loved to quilt and sew, research genealogy records, and delighted in being on the computer, checking e-mails and forwarding stories. Her children, grandchildren, step-grandchildren, and one great-grandson were her delight.

Preceding her in death were her parents; her husband, Frank Schlepp; an infant daughter, Barbara Sheryl Schlepp; a son, Dennis Ray Schlepp; and one brother, Harold Luther Kail.

Surviving family includes two daughters, Joann Ross and her husband, Gary of Haviland; Darlene Sutton and her husband, Dan of Boise, Idaho; four granddaughters, Jenny Ohmie and her husband, Matt, Megan Sutton, Laura Sutton; and Kelsey Sutton; two step-grandchildren, Michelle Zook and her husband, Jeff; Travis Ross and his wife, Amanda; and one step-great-grandson, Caleb Zook.

The funeral was Monday, Nov. 9, at Koons Chapel in Goodland, with Reverend Shelly Petz officiating. Burial followed in the Goodland Cemetery.

Memorials may be designated to the National Parkinson's Foundation or the Southwind Hospice, and may be left at or mailed to Koons Funeral Home, 211 N. Main, Goodland, KS 67735-1555.

Lucille Elizabeth Lowe

May 13, 1918 - Nov. 19, 2009

Lucille Elizabeth (Farrell) Lowe, 91, of Benkelman, Neb., died on Nov. 19, 2009, at the Hester Memorial Home where she resided.

Lucille was born May 13, 1918, to Charlie and Lucy Farrell in Republican City, Neb., on her grandparents' farm. Lucille was the oldest of three brothers and two sisters. One sister and one brother died as infants. Lucille went to school in Riverton, Neb., and graduated the eighth grade. After eighth grade, she worked babysitting for friends.

At the age of 17, she moved with her parents and family to Bird City, Kan. While in Bird City, she met and married Chester (Bud) Lowe on May 6, 1937, on his parents' farm. The couple worked on John Leech's farm until they moved to Benkelman in 1939.

Bud was called to the service during World War II where he served overseas in the Army for 2 1/2 years leaving Lucille at home with their two young children, Gleannys and Hugh Wayne. During those years, she went to stay with her sister, Arvena Trout, in Washington State and worked in the canneries and other odd jobs to help support the family. When Bud returned home from the war, they had two more children, Harold and Ed.

After the children were in school, Lucille went to work at the Hester Memorial Home as a nurses aide for 17 1/2 years. Later she worked cleaning houses and helping Ruth Richards at her daycare part time. She also loved volunteering at the Dundy County Senior Center.

Lucille loved playing cards, dancing, fishing, playing the nickel-slot machines and all family get-togethers. Her home was small but there was always room at holidays and on special occasions for several tables of pitch or Phase

Jeffrey L. Phillips

Sept. 14, 1953 - Nov. 21, 2009

Jeffrey L. Phillips, age 56, died Saturday, Nov. 21, 2009, in Manhattan, Kan.



Phillips

He was born on Sept. 14, 1953, in Oberlin, the son of Robert and Opal (Brown) Phillips.

He graduated from Clark Central High School in Athens, Ga., in 1971. He graduated from Kansas City Business College with an associate degree in drafting and majored in social work at Kansas State University.

Jeffrey was a draftsman and material manager in the mobile home industry and a sales person for many years in a Manhattan appliance store.

Jeffrey was baptized at an early age in the Federated Church in Oberlin. He was very active in the Cub Scouts and later the Boy Scouts. He enjoyed wrestling in junior high and high school.

He loved all animals, collecting antiques, volunteering at the crisis center and most of all being with his family.

Survivors include his parents: Robert and Opal (Brown) Phillips of Manhattan; two brothers: Tom and his wife, Jenny of Seattle, Wash.; Paul and his wife, Elizabeth of Woodland Park, Colo., and a sister: Mary Vestal and her husband, Rod of Poetry, Texas. He is also survived by three nieces, three nephews, one grand niece; an aunt, Ethyle Roelfs of St. Francis, and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his uncles, Walter Brown and Bernard Roelfs, and grandparents, Carra and Florence Brown.

Memorial services were held on Saturday, Nov. 28, 2009, at the First Baptist Church, Manhattan, with Pastor Rick Neubauer officiating. Private inurnment was held at Sunrise Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the First Baptist Church, the Crisis Center of Manhattan or to Homecare and Hospice of Manhattan, in care of the Yorgensen-Meloan-Londeen Funeral Home 1616 Poyntz Avenue, Manhattan, Kansas 66502.

Memorial Funds: Crisis Center of Manhattan, Homecare and Hospice, Inc., 1st Baptist Church.

Haigler News

90th birthdays are special—LaNeta Carlock drove to Denver and flew to Phoenix, Ariz., to be with a former Nebraska lady, Marjorie Corr, to celebrate Marjorie's 90th birthday. Mrs. Corr was the registered nurse for Dr. Loveland, Lincoln, Neb., where LaNeta worked as a secretary/receptionist while attending the University of Nebraska. Through the years, they have kept in contact with one another.

Barbara Neville of Denver spent the Thanksgiving holiday with her cousin and husband,

LaNeta and Stan Carlock. Joining them for Thanksgiving dinner was Marlin Crouse.

Many people attended this year's "Come Catch the Glow" Christmas Parade on Friday evening, Nov. 27, in Estes Park, Colo. LaNeta Carlock and Barbara Neville enjoyed being among the attendees. After a 2-day stay in Estes, LaNeta drove Barbara back to Denver and returned home to Haigler Sunday evening.

The Village of Haigler is beginning to look like Christmas. Why don't you come visit?

Idalia News

**By Angela DeLeon
The Grace Notes**

Linda Schaal, Ashley Bazer, Dixie Martinez and Wanda Mangus, known throughout the area for their musical talent, have joined together to form a new group called The Grace Notes. This group, directed by Willie Sharp, will be singing Golden Oldies, Christmas and Gospel music, at the Idalia Cornerstone Center on Monday, Dec. 14 at 7 p.m. They are sponsored by the Lions Club who welcome everyone to join them in an evening of fun and music.

A Christmas Celebration

An informal Christmas program "The Sounds of Christmas" will be presented by the Idalia Community Choir at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 19, at the Cornerstone Center. This program will include old favorites and some new, lively songs to fill everyone with the Christmas Spirit. There is still time to join this group if you like to sing, call Betty Moellenberg

at 354-7271 for practice times.

St. John's news

Men's Bible study is weekly on Thursday mornings from 7 to 7:30 at St. John's Church. All men are welcome.

Sunday Dec. 6, St. John will celebrate the traditional "Hanging of the Greens." Everyone is welcome to come at 9:30 a.m. for a Christmas Workshop of making craft projects—ornaments and handmade gifts. At 10:30 a.m. the worship service will involve the children decorating the sanctuary with Christmas symbols in a service of scripture lessons and carols. At 11:30 all may enjoy a soup lunch provided by the Christian Education Committee followed by the Sunday School Holiday event.

Blood Pressure

Marlene Miller and Denise Baucke will not be in Idalia in November for the usual visit. They will be at the Prairie Vista Cafe on Tuesday.

Club Clip

Red Hat Mamas

November, the month to stay close to home, found the Red Hat Mamas ready for a pajama party brunch in the warmth of Bonnie Burr's home in Bird City.

The Bird City ladies treated the McDonald ladies to quiches, muffins and fruit cups. Of course, the night caps were substituted with red hats.

Seventeen members arrived in casual pajamas and robes to begin a day of Good fellowship. The aura Bonnie created was of beautiful fall colors with emphasis on Thanksgiving. After brunch, dominoes allured

the attention of the ladies.

Queen, Phyllis Wingfield, presided over the business meeting, reaffirming her intent to hand her jurisdiction over to Margaret Voorhies. Phyllis will continue to give the humorous readings and thanked Margaret for volunteering to assume the role of Queen.

In her final official act, Phyllis invited all the Red Hatters to the McDonald Senior Center for lunch on Dec. 15.

Instead of a gift exchange the members will donate to a community Christmas project.

Henry Wendell Kite

Dec. 21, 1925 - Nov. 8, 2009

Henry Wendell Kite, 83, of Junction City, Kan., died Sunday, Nov. 8, at Geary Community Hospital in Junction City. He was born on Dec. 21, 1925, the son of Judge E.E. and Ruby C. Kite in St. Francis.



Kite

Growing up under the shadow of being a judge's son, Wendell learned that he should always "do the right thing." He was always proud of being the 125-pound center on the undefeated, league champion St. Francis Community High School football team.

He began military service during World War II before graduating from high school but, while on furlough, was able to participate in his high school graduation ceremony at St. Francis Community High School in full dress uniform in 1944.

In World War II, Wendell served with the Army Air Corps as a ball-turret gunner on a B-17. He was based at RAF Knettishall, England, and flew in 35 missions over the European Theater.

Wendell and Dulcie were able to return to the site of this air base as part of their 50th wedding anniversary celebration.

Upon returning home from the war, Wendell enrolled at Kansas State University and became a member of the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity.

He married his childhood sweetheart and classmate, Dulcie Mae Danielson, on Dec. 28, 1946. She currently lives in Junction City.

Wendell was preceded in death by a sister, Doris Warren, and is survived by a brother, John Kite, of St. Francis. Other survivors include three sons, four grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren: son, Tom and his wife, Shelley, of Junction City, Tom's daughter Kelley of Fort Collins, Colo., and Tom's son, Kyle and his wife, Kelli and their two

children, Brigitte and Broderick of Yuma, Colo.; son, Tim and his wife, Cindy, of Onaga, their daughter, Ashlyn and her husband, Cody Hartwich, also of Onaga; son, Ed and his wife, Joanne and their son, Andy of Baldwin City.

Wendell graduated from Kansas State University with a degree in business in 1949. He returned to St. Francis, after graduating from college and worked for Danielson Hardware before becoming a full-time farmer. Wendell enjoyed the independence of managing his own farm and the time it allowed him to spend with his family and teach his sons' true family values.

He was a member of the United Methodist Church in St. Francis, a Veterans of Foreign War member, and served as the president of the local Shrine Club.

Wendell retired from farming in 1989, and he and Dulcie moved to Junction City in 2003, so that they could be closer to their sons' families.

He was a three-time cancer survivor. Wendell worked hard but never forgot how to have fun. He especially enjoyed playing golf and pulling his fifth-wheel with his pontoon boat behind it and fishing in Texas with friends. He also enjoyed traveling and was able to go on trips with friends to Spain, Hawaii, and Las Vegas.

A memorial service for the family at the Wendell Kite home in Junction City will be held on Dec. 13. Wendell asked that some of his ashes be scattered on the farm which he owned and operated and that some be placed along with a marker in the St. Francis Cemetery.

A memorial service in St. Francis is planned for spring of 2010. Memorials are suggested to the American Cancer Society or the Alzheimer's Association in care of Penwell-Gabel Funeral Home of Junction City, 203 N. Washington Street, Junction City, KS 66441.

To leave a special online message for the family, visit: www.PenwellGabelJunctionCity.com

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