

Obituaries

Frankie Lee Nichols Feb. 23, 1930 - May 10, 2012

Frankie Lee (Lakey- Schielke) Nichols was born Feb. 23, 1930, in Goltry, Okla. to Cecil Franklin Lakey and Lorna Alice (Gregg) Lakey. She died Thursday, May 10, 2012.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Virgil, her parents Cecil and Lorna and step-parents, Evelyn Lakey and Albert Schielke; brother Curtis Schielke, sister Donna Leaverton and daughter, Lorna Nichols.

Frankie Lee married Virgil Gail Nichols in August, 1949. They had five children, Lorna Nichols (deceased), Colby, Loyall (Barbara) Nichols, Colby, Denise Packard, Grainfield, Dru (Tracey) Nichols, Laramie, Wyo., and Dawn Nichols, Colby. She is survived by her sister, Alberta (Varvin) Barnett, Gem, and brother Richard (Becky) Lakey, Sante Fe, N.M., numerous nieces

and nephews, 14 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

She attended school in Colby and graduated from high school in Winona in 1949. She was editor and publisher of the Winona Leader newspaper from 1959-1973 and was a member of the Kansas Press Association. After leaving Winona in 1973 for Oberlin, she worked for the Oberlin Herald in advertising. Decatur County Sheriff's Department as a dispatcher, then as a clerk for the Decatur County Health Department while becoming a certified emergency medical technician. In 1976, she and Virgil moved to Beloit where she was a clerk for the youth center and continued her education as an emergency medical technician for the Mitchell County Emergency

Medical Service. After Virgil's death, she moved to Topeka where she was employed as a clerk for the Kansas Department of Social Rehabilitation Services, Youth Services Division.

Frankie Lee retired from there in November, 1994. After her retirement in Topeka, she moved to St. Francis and retired from the United States Department of Agriculture Farm Service Agency in August, 2005.

Frankie Lee was a member of the First Baptist Church, St. Francis, Western Plains Arts Association and numerous genealogical and historical associations and societies.

A memorial service was held at the First Baptist Church, St. Francis, on May 16 at 11 a.m. Graveside services will be held at Elmwood Cemetery, Beloit, at a later date.

Carl Boyd

June 10, 1935 - May 9, 2012



Boyd

Carl Boyd was born on June 10, 1935 in Sullivan County, Mo., to John Robert Boyd and Lillian Helen Marie Smiley Boyd. He died on May 9, 2012.

Carl grew up on a farm in Missouri until moving to Cedar Rapids, Iowa, when he was 17. It was here that he met Sandra L. Hansen. They were married on July 23, 1955, at Hus Presbyterian Church in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Carl worked at Quaker Oats for a few years before beginning a career laying floors for Appleby and Horn Tile Company, which he did for 28 years. He then moved to Littleton, Colo., where

he owned and ran a liquor store for almost 5 years. He then moved to McCook, Neb., where he was a highway contractor for the United States Postal Service. He retired in 2001 in Bird City, then to Aurora, Colo., where renal failure and diabetes took his life.

Carl is survived by his wife: Sandra Boyd of Aurora; three children: Renee (Richard) Hoehler of Centennial, Colo., Tamee (Ken) Vickers of Centennial, and Michael Carl Boyd of Papillion, Neb.; seven grandchildren: Bethany and Andy (Renee), Kyle, Drew, and Kade (Tamee), and Zach and Seth (Michael); 1 great-grandchild: Emmy Jo (Renee/Bethany); two brothers: James Robert Boyd of Marion, Iowa, and Orval Lee Boyd of Frederick, Colo.; and two sisters Helen Burks of Olathe, and Ramah Huddleston

Jess "Pete" H. Petsch

Jan. 6, 1931-April 23, 2012

Jess Henry Petsch was born on Jan. 6, 1931 to Jess and Mable Carmen (Hill) Petsch in Hitchcock County, Nebraska. He died on April 23, 2012 at the age of 81 years, three months and 17 days.

Pete, as he was called, grew up on a farm near Stratton, Neb., attended Stratton public schools and graduated in 1949. He joined the Navy in August 1950, serving for four years. Pete was united in marriage to Wilma Barnhart on April 17, 1952 in Denver, Colo. After being honorably discharged from the Navy, Pete and Wilma moved back to Stratton where Pete farmed until moving to Lincoln, Neb., in 1956. Pete worked in Lincoln until they purchased some land near and moved to Superior, Neb. In 1963, Pete and Wilma and the family moved to the farm just east of Guide Rock. Pete worked for Ely Grain Company for several years and owned a custom harvesting company, while keeping up the farming operation.

One of Pete's proudest moments was serving on the Guide Rock School Board and

awarding diplomas to all four of his children. Pete also was a dedicated member of the Guide Rock American Legion and served several terms as a member of the Webster County Board of Commissioners.

In addition to all of his jobs, he always took the time to participate and attend all of his children's sporting events and even was the announcer at the football games.

Pete and Wilma have four children: Jerry, Joy, Jack and Jeff. Pete had many great passions in his life: his wife and children, helping his neighbors, playing cards, smoking his pipe, and especially spending time with his grand- and great-grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were his parents, two sisters, Grace Rook and Sylvie Cobb, and one brother Gary.

Survivors are his wife, Wilma, a brother, Dave and Liz Petsch of Guide Rock, a sister Ruth and Ellis Sutton of McCook, his children Jerry and Rita Petsch of Omaha, Joy and Ken Simpson of Gretna, Neb., Jack and Ronda Petsch of Guide Rock, Jeff

of Mexico, Mo.

Carl was preceded in death by his parents, four sisters: Virginia Clark, Mary Lou Martin, Ila Marie Boyd, and Anna Belle Boyd, and two brothers, J.W. Boyd and Lawrence Boyd.

Carl loved his family and friends. He loved to spend time with them, fish, hunt, and watch football. He will be greatly missed - we loved him dearly.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, May 19, at Cedar Memorial Park Chapel of Memories, 4200 First Avenue NE, Cedar Rapids. Visitation will be held from 4 to 7 p.m. on Friday, May 18, at the Cedar Memorial Park Funeral Home.

Cards can be sent to Sandra Boyd at 431 South Kalispell Way, #202, Aurora, CO, 80017

Online condolences may be left at www.cedarmemorial.com under obituaries.

Petsch of Guide Rock, his nine grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held April 27, at the United Methodist Church in Guide Rock with the Reverend Joel Rathbun officiating. Interment with military honors was at the Guide Rock Cemetery.

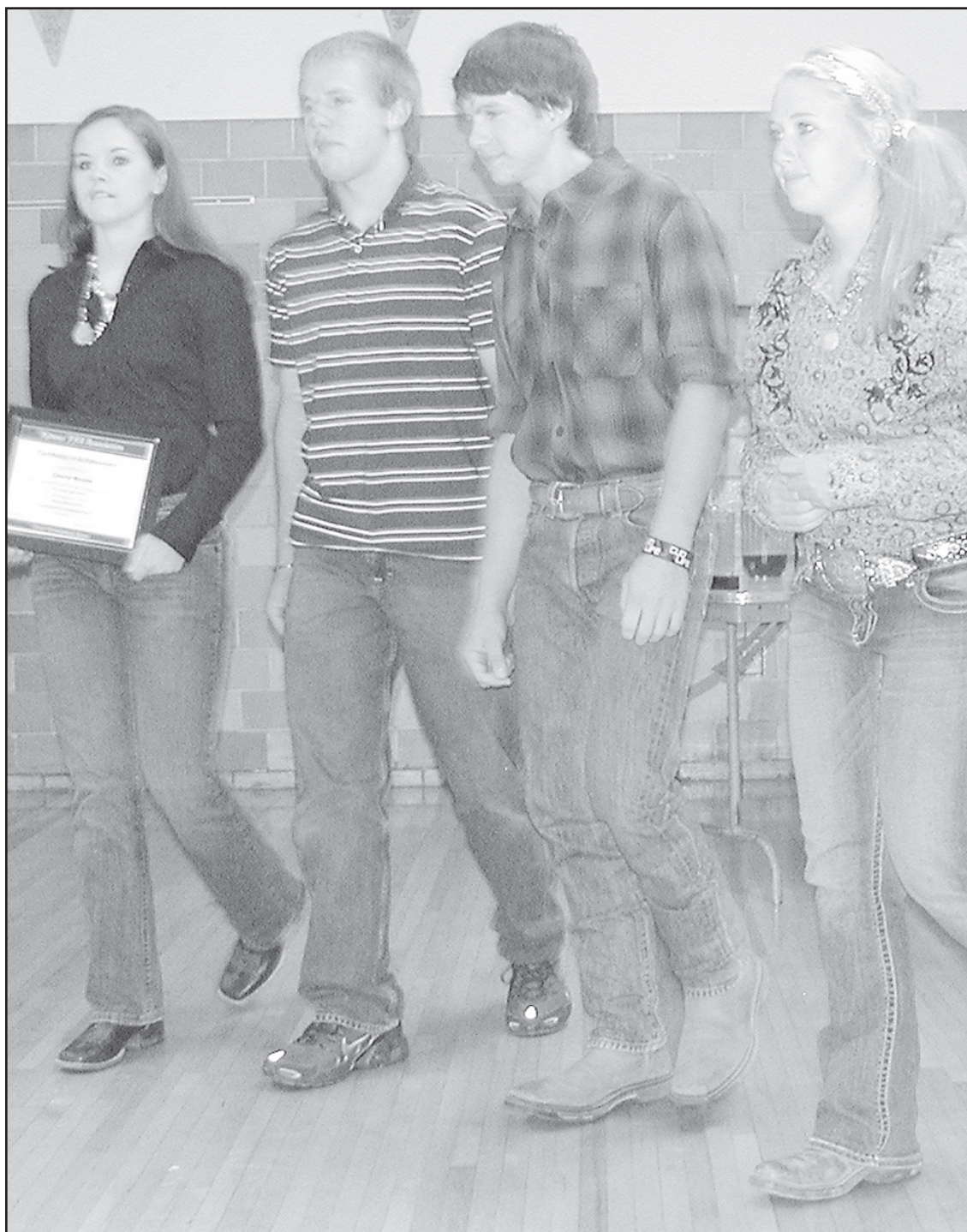
Memorials are suggested to the Guide Rock American Legion Post of the Guide Rock Fire and Rescue Squad.

Club Clip

A salad supper was held by sixteen members of the Tuesday Club at the Cheyenne Manor on May 8.

The Incoming president introduced her committees for the coming year. Yearbook Marti Schlittenhardt, Coleen Gardner, Mary Lee Frewen. Courtesy Val Jean Schultz. Publicity Pat Confer and Scrap book Virginia Cooper.

A pleasant evening was spent visiting about special trips taken by members.



FFA MEMBERS (l to r) Laura Brunk, Thomas Douthit, Gaten Cooper and Mariah Beikman are presented awards at the annual FFA banquet in the high school cafeteria.

Herald staff photo by Karen Krien

Students honored at FFA banquet

The St. Francis FFA banquet was held Wednesday, May 9, in the high school cafeteria. The evening's events was opened by senior and FFA president, Gavin Cooper.

Following the meal, Lyn Wiley, sponsor and livestock judging coach, told about some of the accomplishments in the year including the fact that this year's

judging team had placed at the top at the State FFA contest.

The horse judging team comprised of Laura Brunk, Thomas Douthit, Gaten Cooper and Mariah Beikman had placed sixth at state. Laura had placed first overall and Thomas, 10th.

Mr. Wiley noted that all of the horse judging team were juniors and would have another year of

judging. Gus Jardine, junior, was presented the Star Chapter Farmer award. The Star Chapter Greenhand award went to Mariah Beikman.

There were two scholarships awarded. The Yost Ford Scholarship of \$1,000 went to Allison Grice. It was presented by Arnita Yost and Dave and Pat Yost.

Connie Brown presented the Gary Brown scholarship of \$750 and that went to Jenna Hill.

FFA seniors who will be graduating this year are Matt Tygart, Laramie Jenkins, Jenna Hill, Paul Nelson, Gavin Cooper, Martin Hnizdil and Allison Grice.

a 2009 graduate of St. Francis Community High School and is the daughter of Lisa Gibson and the late Steve Holzwarth.

Alumni earns degree from Wichita State

Andrea Holzwarth graduated from Wichita State University on May 11 with a bachelor of arts in communication.

As a student at Wichita State University, Andrea was inducted into Order of Omega Honor Society, Alpha Phi Sorority and was chapter president of Lambda Pi Eta Honor Society. Andrea was also a Greek Honor Woman Finalist and Senior Honor Woman Nominee. She was recently awarded the Bob and Darlene Anderson award for her work in campus recreation.

Immediately following graduation, Andrea started as the recruitment coordinator for the College of Engineering at Wichita State University. She is

Sainty Sharks Swim Team

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Thursday, May 17
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