

Obituaries

Gilbert D. Schoenrogge

Feb. 12, 1936 - Aug. 12, 2003

Gilbert Schoenrogge was born in St. Francis, Kan., to Bruner H. Schoenrogge and Christina (Schlittenhardt) Schoenrogge. Gilbert died on Aug. 12, 2003, at the age of 67 1/2 years.

He grew up and went to school through the 12th grade in St. Francis. While in high school he set pins at the bowling alley and flagged for John Grace during spraying season. Gilbert was baptized at the Salem Lutheran Church and confirmed at the Zion Lutheran Church.

After high school, Gilbert enlisted in the Army and was serving in Rapid City, S.D., at the Ellsworth Air Force Base when he met his future wife, Gudrun Wittmeier. Gilbert and Gudrun were married in Avon, S.D., on Sept. 18, 1960, and returned to St. Francis after his service.

Gilbert started in the water well business in 1963; working for Ralph Crawford; and purchased the business in 1971. He belonged to the Kansas Water Well Association throughout his career and served on the board of directors as well as past vice president and past president of the association. He received the association's Hard Hat award for service to the association and water well industry. He enjoyed his work and was very conscientious of ground water quality.

Gilbert enjoyed family gatherings and time with the children. He took pride in helping his granddaughter (Christina) with her schoolwork, always made time to read to her, and of late, taking rides on a golf cart and playing with both grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife Gudrun; sons Craig of St. Francis and Todd of Casa Grande, Ariz.; daughters-in-law Juciara and Teresa; grandchildren Christina and Brady Schoenrogge; sisters-in-law Phyllis Bandel, St. Francis; Minnie Wittmeier, Eileen Skelton, Genevieve Kozel, Marlene Wittmeier of Avon, Verletta Wittmeier of Tripp, S.D., Loraine Gandolfi and Kalma Keonig of Burlington, Calif.; Sheila Idelwine of Westport, Ind.; brothers-in-law Eugene Kozel and Clayton Wittmeier of Avon, and Norman Idelwine of Westport; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Gilbert was preceded in death by his parents; sister Elsie and her hus-

band, John Grace; brothers Herbert and Alvin Bandel, mother-in-law and father-in-law Chris and Rosella Wittmeier; brothers-in-law Lavern, John, Russel and Eugene Wittmeier, Art Skelton, Frank Gandolfi, Ernest Keonig and niece Peggy (Bandel) LeCount.

Funeral service was Aug. 16 at Peace Lutheran Church.

Casket bearers Terry Bandel, Robert Grace, Richard Grace, Douglas Kozel, Sam Miller and Sam Crabtree.

Interment was at the St. Francis Cemetery.

Arrangements by Knodel Funeral Home.

Margaret Mae Mossburgh

Oct. 23, 1897 - Aug. 11, 2003

Margaret Mae Mossburgh died Aug. 11, 2003, at Prairie Senior Living Complex in Colby, Kan. She was born Oct. 23, 1897, to Waitman and Harrietta (Bennett) Doak near Alton. She married William O. Mossburgh at Concordia on June 3, 1916. Then in 1918 they moved to Nebraska. They bought a farm south of Max, Neb., where she lived until she was 89 years old, then she moved to St. Francis.

Those who preceded her in death were her parents Waitman and Harrietta Doak; her husband William O. Mossburgh; two daughters Harriette Draper and Evelyn Mossburgh; a son Loren Mossburgh; nine brothers Leo, Ernest, Jim, Roy, Perry, Owen, Elza, Lon and Jack Doak; four sisters Lulu Schwartzlander, Blanche Nickolson, Louisa Doak and Bessie Earl; two grandchildren Nancy Mossburgh and Janet Draper; two great-grandchildren Heather Draper and infant Jackson Mossburgh; and three grandsons-in-law.

Survivors include her son-in-law Charles Draper and daughter-in-law Ila (Mossburgh) Foster; four granddaughters Raythel Lea (Draper) Reuber of Ludell, Vivian (Draper) Jones of Lincoln, Neb., Phyllis (Draper) Bexley, Joann "Jody" (Draper) Lee and husband Ray of St. Francis; three grandsons William "Bill" Draper and wife Sue of Colby, Robert Draper and wife Stella of St. Francis, Willie Mossburgh and wife Cassie of Omaha, Neb.; numerous great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren, great-great-great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews and

friends.

Services were held Thursday, Aug. 14, at 2 p.m. at the First Christian Church of St. Francis with Reverend Richard Garcia officiating.

Honorary pallbearers were Alex Draper, Dr. Bobby Lee, Shane Jones, Charles Hartman, Billy Lee, Kim Wittstruck, Gail Lee and Garold Lee.

Casket bearers were Kevin Rueber, Dale Rueber, John Hartman, Neal Draper, Nolen Draper and Brian Draper.

Burial was in the Benkelman Cemetery in Benkelman, Neb.

Memorials were designated for the First Christian Church of St. Francis and the Benkelman home-owned carnival at Benkelman.

Knodel Funeral Home was in charge of the service.

Harvey A. Black

April 11, 1918 - Aug. 18, 2003

Harvey A. Black, 85, died Monday, Aug. 18, 2003, at his home in rural McDonald, Kan. He was born April 11, 1918, at Alva, Okla., to Earl E. and Elizabeth (Breford) Black.

On Jan. 30, 1948, he was united in marriage to Frieda S. Antholz at Denver, Colo.

Mr. Black was a farmer and custom harvester. He had lived on a farm 2 1/2 miles north of McDonald since 1950, moving from Colorado.

He served in the 41st Division of the United States Army from October, 1941, to November, 1945, and served under General Douglas MacArthur while in the Pacific.

Memberships included St. John Lutheran Church of Bird City; Chester Phipps American Legion 229 of McDonald and B.P.O.E. 1528 of Goodland.

Preceding him in death were his parents; a brother Ernest Black, and two sisters Mary Decker and Mildred Morland.

Survivors are his wife Frieda of McDonald; son Gregory Allen Black and wife, Jilene McMinn Black of Windsor, Colo.; daughter Noell Alane Hubbard and husband, Greg of Smith Center; six grandchildren, Breeann, Kaitlin, Gabariel, Michael, Landon and Kami.

Funeral services were held Thursday, Aug. 21, at St. John Lutheran Church in Bird City with Pastors Ron Roberts and Clayton Niefeld officiating.

Interment was in the Grace Cemetery in McDonald.

Memorials may be given to St. John Lutheran Church or to the charity of the donor's choice.



POSTERMAKING WAS the job at hand Monday night at the high school. Hailey Crabtree and Chelsey Weeden make posters for the upcoming year. They were joined by Alé Tygart and Jo Frewen (not pictured).
Herald staff photo by Alé Tygart

Local group travels the road

Keenage Karavan, a company of travelers, recently went on a journey to Michigan and missions.

Lucille Price and Mardell DeGood departed for Wichita on July 27 and spent the night with Alan and Dianne DeGood near Goddard, departing July 28 with 43 passengers on a Methodist tour.

The first stop was at Baldwin to visit Baker University. The university is the state's oldest four-year college with one of the earliest donations being from Abraham Lincoln in 1864. The cathedral was an old English Church, reconstructed on the campus.

The group ate lunch in Kansas City at Cabelas and visited Crosslines Ministries. The first night they stayed in Cameron, Mo., and had a get-acquainted meal at the United Methodist Church there.

Traveling to the Amana Colonies in Amana, Iowa, was on the next day's schedule. They had lunch at Ox York Inn and a step-on guided tour of the seven colonies.

That night was spent in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and they left the next morning for Platteville, Wis., to visit the Cedar Grove Cheese Factory, where they had lunch.

In Baraboo, Wis., the group visited the International Crane Foundation, and attended the Tommy Bartlett Water Show.

The next morning they went to the Barnum and Bailey Circus and

toured their museum. In the afternoon a boat ride was enjoyed on the Upper Dells Boat Tour.

They traveled through Oshkosh the next day and on to Green Bay and to Menominee, and Escanaba toward Mackinaw City for the evening.

Saturday morning, they got on a ferry for Mackinac Island. They visited an 18th and 19th century British and American Military outpost. Costumed guides offered reenactments of military music, cannon and rifle firings.

They returned to the ferry to go back to Mackinaw City and lunch at the Grand Hotel with a 100-foot table of delicious food.

The group departed for Frankenmuth to spend the night and shop at Bronner's. Bronner's is a huge Christmas Store, the size of three football fields. It has more than 50,000 Christmas ornaments, lights and decorations, including Nativity scenes from tiny hand-carved scenes of life-sized scenes. Animated figures and more than 200 decorated Christmas trees are displayed.

Sunday morning the group attended the Methodist Church in Frankenmuth. Later they went to Dearborn, Mich., and visited the Henry Ford Museum. It was really great according to the travelers.

On the Grand Rapids, Mich., where they spent two nights. There

they went to the United Methodist Community House where they gave \$1,400, which was the sum of the bus action. Community House is child-care youth programs and neighborhood development and senior programs.

In the afternoon, they visited the Gerald Ford Museum and Fredrick Meyer Gardens. Then on to Holland, Mich., to visit the Dutch Village with canals, windmills, gardens, a museum and viewing Dutch dances.

Aug. 5, they departed Grand Rapids to travel along Lake Michigan toward Notre Dame, where they toured the campus and the beautiful cathedral.

Later they arrived at Springfield, Ill. In the Oak Ridge Cemetery is an impressive monument of Lincoln's Tomb and the crypts where Mrs. Lincoln and their four children were buried. They attended the flag ceremony where every Tuesday they lower the flag and give it to someone in the crowd.

On the 10th day, Aug. 6, they departed from Springfield for Fayette, Mo., to Central Methodist College to eat lunch and tour.

The bus arrived home at the Kechi United Methodist Church and the St. Francis ladies were met by Alan and Dianne DeGood. Mardell and Lucille spent the night with the DeGood before departing for St. Francis the next day.

St. Francis News

Mr. and Mrs. Kelt Engle, Paige, Jack and Nicholas of Overland Park, Karen Engle of Madison and Kirk Engle, Kaylee and Brett of Cottonwood Falls were Friday to Sunday guests of Mardell DeGood during the Cheyenne County Fair.

Visitors of Hester Myers last week were Steve and Angie Henkens, Holsey and Helen Nichols of Wasusau, Wis.; Kevin and Paige Myers and Cassidy of Cleveland, Mo.; Lori Stover and Ethan of Colby; Charlie and Eloise Holliday, Logan Lampe, Bernice Eberhardt of Burlington and Connie Jo Spencer of Alamosa, Colo.

Fair weekend guests of Billy and Karen Krien were Wanita and Ed Kroepflin, Finley, N.D., Jim and Loretta Touslee, Robertsville, Mo., Sue Ella Touslee, Emporia, Kelly Allen and Kyle, Clay Center; Sarah Hopper, T.J. and Lucas, Olathe; Phil and Jodi Kostelac, Kali and their

house guest Kyle, Shawnee Mission; Paul Wilburn, Bonner Springs; David and Trish Wilburn, Topeka; Scott Wilburn, Manhattan; Tyler Krien, Salina; and Christie Holzwarth, St. Francis.

Kelly Allen and Kyle, and Tyler Krien were also visitors of Bill and Leone Krien.

Meeting at the home of Bill and Ellen Raile for a family dinner on Sunday, Aug. 10, were Jim and Loretta Touslee, Sarah Hopper, T.J. and Lucas, Phil and Jodi Kostelac, Kali and their house guest Kyle; Cliff and Judy Raile, Dale and Ramona Raile, and Darla Raile of Salina.

Debbie and Kyle Grizzell and Byron Austin of Macksville were guests of Milton and Betty Lampe during the fair, Aug. 6 through Aug. 10.

On Saturday, a hamburger fry and potluck dinner was enjoyed at the home of Elmer and Dorothy Kellner.

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4x4, Red, 3/4 ton, 5-speed, automatic,
Duramax diesel, 75,000 miles.



2001 Chevy Reg. Cab
4x4, Indigo blue, 3/4 ton, 5-speed, automatic,
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