

## Wilma Jean Martin Donohue

July 19, 1930 - Jan. 23, 2004  
Wilma Jean Martin was born July 19, 1930, in Benkelman, Neb. Wilma died at the age of 73 years old on Jan. 23, 2004, at the Chase County Hospital in Imperial, Neb. Wilma was the fourth child born to Harry and Marjorie Martin, being born and raised in Benkelman.

Wilma married Wesley Michael Donohue on April 17, 1949, in Benkelman. They resided on a farm north of Bird City on Big Timber Creek in Cheyenne County, Kan.

To this union were blessed six children: Peggy, Patti, Dan, Barb, Deb and Don.

Preceding her in death were daughter Patti, her parents, Harry and Marjorie, sister Louise Sumner; brothers Jack and Max Martin.

Surviving family members include her husband, Wesley; children Peggy Dinnel and fiancée, Dale Anderson of Yuma, Colo.; Dan Donohue and wife, Lois of Benkelman; Barb Moore and husband, John of Sutherland, Neb.; Deb Flemming and husband, Dave of Bird City, Don Donohue and wife Jana of Gypsum, Colo.; 15 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

A graveside service was held on Jan. 26 at the Benkelman Cemetery.

### The Twenty-Third Psalm

The Lord is my shepherd;  
I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures

He leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul

He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley

of the shadow of death,  
I will fear no evil; for thou art with me;

thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me

In the presence of mine enemies;  
Thou anointest my head with oil,  
my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me

all the days of my life.

And I will dwell in the house of the Lord

forever.

Amen  
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## Joleen Kay Norman

Feb. 9, 1934 - Jan. 28, 2004

Longtime Kit Carson County, Colo., resident Joleen Kay Norman died on Jan. 28, 2004, at the St. Anthony Central Hospital in Denver, Colo. She was 69 years old.

Mrs. Norman was born Feb. 9, 1934, in Dodge City, Kan., to Hardin and Estle (Crego) Sinclair. She was one of seven children.

Joleen attended schools in Dodge City and also in Arriba, Colo., and Springfield, Mo. She received her General Education Degree (GED) in Lake Tahoe, Calif., in 1970.

On Dec. 24, 1950, Joleen married Riley Elbert Norman in Prosperine, Mo. To this union four children were born, Skyler, Rila, Robbi and Joni.

She enjoyed spending her time with her family and friends.

Joleen was preceded in death by her father, her husband, one sister, Donna Lee Roberts, and her companion, Don Lukow.

Joleen is survived by her mother, Estle; one son Skyler Norman and

his wife, Deborah of Gem; three daughters, Rila Brown and her husband, Doug of Barrie, Ontario; Robbi Pottorff and her husband, Marc of Goodland and Joni Dutton and her husband, Brett of Idalia, Colo.; 12 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and the three Lukow children and four grandchildren. She is also survived by two brothers, Phil Sinclair and his wife, Ruby of Lebanon, Mo., and Bobbie Sinclair and his wife, Genny of Ames, Iowa; three sisters, Carol Chapman and her husband, Charles of Grand Junction, Colo., Linda Ostrander and her husband, Gene of Arriba, Colo., and Loris Hooks of Denver, Colo.

Memorials may be made in Joleen's name to the Kit Carson County Memorial Hospital Home Health Department, and may be left at the Bank of Burlington, Burlington, Colo.

## Alma Catherine Clark

July 15, 1921 - Jan. 24, 2004

Alma Catherine (Brenner) Clark, 82, of Idalia, Colo., died Saturday, Jan. 24, 2004, at her daughter's home in Edwards, Colo.

Alma was born July 15, 1921, to Charles L. and Minnie Brenner at their homestead in Idalia. She had four brothers: Franz Brenner, who served and died in World War II, Raymond Brenner, Edward Brenner and Harvey Brenner. Alma was a devoted daughter, sibling, wife, mother and grandmother.

She was married to John Clark, Jr., in 1945, and to that union three children were born: Ronald Clark of Wray, Colo., Donna Morris of Denver, Colo., and Karen Schiros of Edwards. Alma also was blessed with seven grandchildren: Bryan Clark of Wray, Colo., Bradford Clark of Washington state, ShaRon Selby of Scottsdale, Ariz., Kristin Williams of Denver, Colo., Julie Query of Iowa City, Jason Query of Denver, and Jordan Query of Edwards and four great-grandchildren: Harley, Alexis, Austen and Ashlee Clark.

Alma was an accomplished seamstress, cook and gardener. She carried on her family's traditions of butchering, canning and cooking all of the old recipes that she had learned as a child from her Grandmother Brenner. She also learned the German language from her Grandmother Brenner.

Alma spent most of her life in Idalia but her home was really wherever her family needed her. Despite her ventures as an entrepreneur, she always found time to care for her family and friends. For 13 years, Alma cared for her ailing father, Charlie Brenner, and his friend, Jack Mathews, while raising her family and operating the local Idalia Store. Soon after Charlie and Jack died, her husband John became very ill. For medical reasons, they moved to Denver where they lived until John died in 1991. Alma then returned to live in Idalia.

Alma was baptized, confirmed and married at St. John United Church of Christ and remained a member throughout her life. Alma had a strong and unyielding faith in God. Even unto the end, she was confident and unafraid of what her

future would bring.

Preceding Alma in death were her husband, John Clark Jr.; her parents, Charles and Minnie Brenner, and her brothers, Franz, Raymond, Edward and Harvey Brenner.

Left to mourn her passing are her children: Ronald and Dianne Clark, Donna Morris and Jeff and Karen Schiros; her grandchildren and their spouses; her great-grandchildren and her sisters-in-law, Earlene Brenner, Mabel Clark and Jean Brenner; and a host of relatives and friends.

Memorials may be given to St. John United Church of Christ in Idalia.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, Jan. 28, at 10:30 a.m. from St. John United Church of Christ in Idalia with the Reverend Doctor Ralph Datema officiating. Robin Sneddon, organist, accompanied Bill Carpenter Sr., as he sang "In The Garden," "The Old Rugged Cross" and "Safe In the Arms of Jesus."

Casket bearers were Danny Brenner, Dennis Brenner, Raymond Helling, Dan Query, Jason Query and Junior Weisshaar.

Honorary bearers were Bradford Clark, Bryan Clark, Jordan Query, Julie Query, ShaRon Selby and Kristin Williams.

Interment followed in St. John Cemetery in Idalia with Brenner Funeral Home of Akron in charge of arrangements.

## Dale Delvin Raile

Jan. 27, 1943 - Jan. 25, 2004

Dale Delvin Raile was born Jan. 27, 1943, to William L. and Ellen (Brunswig) Raile in St. Francis, Kan. He died Jan. 25, 2004, at the St. Francis Community Hospital.

A childhood in St. Francis led to graduation in 1960 from St. Francis High School. Dale earned a bachelor of science degree in mathematics from Westmar College where he was a member of the wrestling team. After college he taught high school in Bend, Ore. He then went on to teach math in Denver, Boulder, Colo., and Benkelman, Neb. After seven years of teaching, Dale returned to the family farm to nurture the swine business with his brother.

In 1975, Dale married Ramona Kay Maret. Their happiness was increased with the birth of their children, John and Darla. The family farm work continued until 1984, when Dale and his family moved to Boise, Idaho, to try a different career. However, the call of the family farm brought them back to St. Francis, and they settled permanently on the Raile farm in 1985.

Dale began each day on the farm with one of his favorite activities - feeding the cattle. They welcomed him and he enjoyed spending time admiring the herd. Dale rejoiced in checking the pastures, to work in such beautiful surroundings was a gift from God. Calving season brought great excitement; the birth of a new calf was another new creation in God's world. To watch the process of a new born stumbling calf grow into a prospective herd bull brought great fulfillment to his life. The annual bull sale was a time of reunion. His children and many nieces and nephews would come home to help.

Wheat harvest was another time of enjoyment and pleasure. Getting the combine out of the Quonset be-

gan the ritual. He liked to eat his lunch in the field so he never had to leave the wheat. Driving the trucks into town and hearing the auger start up completed one more step of God's work each year.

Work was not Dale's only activity. Each summer the mountains would call him. He loved to cool off in the shade of the trees and drop a fishing line in the water. The family camper was his home each summer for a week. This was a time to reconnect with his soul. He chose to be married in the fall so he and Ramona could go to the mountains and enjoy the beauty of the sparkling gold aspen trees. Dale and Ramona were happily married for 28 years.

Dale was a man of great faith. It steadied him and enabled him to worship not only in a church, but each day in the field. He passed his love of God onto his family. Everyone who met Dale could instantly see the character this steady faith gave him. Dale Raile was a man of integrity, goodness, love and devotion. He made a difference in the lives of his family and all those he touched.

He will be greatly missed by his wife Ramona; his children John and Darla; his parents Bill and Ellen Raile; sister Loretta Touslee and her husband, Jim; brother Cliff and his wife, Judy and brother, Marvin and his wife, Jacquie; nieces Jodi, Sarah, Lisa, Jessica and nephews Reid, Benjamin and Tyler will also miss their Uncle Dale. Many other in-laws, nieces, nephews and John's fiancée, Sondra, have also been blessed by his goodness. Dale has completed the last step in God's plan for him.

Funeral services were held on Thursday, Jan. 29, at the United Methodist Church in St. Francis with Reverend Jack Abendschan and Rev-

erend Marvin Zimbelman officiating.

Casket bearers were Reid Raile, Tyler Raile, Ben Raile, Delbert Raile, Spencer Schlepp, Ron Wilson.

Burial was in the St. Francis Cemetery.

## Charles Wesley Leibbrandt

July 29, 1923 - Jan. 21, 2004

Charles Wesley Leibbrandt was born July 29, 1923, in St. Francis, Kan., to Jacob E. and Edna (Zimmerle) Leibbrandt. He died Jan. 21, 2004, at the Swedish Medical Center in Englewood, Colo., at the age of 80 years, five months and 22 days.

Charlie was raised on a farm northwest of St. Francis. He attended rural grade school and graduated from St. Francis High School in 1941. He then attended business college in Grand Island, Neb., where upon graduation he accepted a civil service position at the Pentagon in Washington, D.C., for 18 months. In 1943, Charlie moved to Atwood, where he began his farming career, helping his uncle, Leonard Paulson. In the winter months, he worked at Bellamy's Drug Store, where he was affectionately known as "Drug Store Charlie." Charlie's love for farming continued throughout his life.

On Aug. 6, 1955, Charlie married Berna Lee Finan at St. Columkillie's Church in Blaine. To this union six children were born: Charles Douglas, Bregette Lee, Gina Marie, Deborah Kay, Kimberly Ann and John Gregory.

Charlie's faith in God was very important to him throughout his life. He was a member of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church, a member of the Knights of Columbus 3033, and a member of the Knights of Columbus

fourth degree St. Pius X Assembly, all of Atwood. He also was a charter member of the Aces and Eights Social Club.

Charlie enjoyed watching all sporting events especially involving his children and grandchildren. He also enjoyed working in his garden, hunting, and fishing. He especially enjoyed his 80th birthday trip to Lake Texoma with his sons, sons-in-law, and grandchildren, where he proudly landed the largest striper.

Charlie will always be remembered as a loving husband, father and doting grandfather. Also, he will be remembered for his quick sense of humor, his omeriness, and his love for life.

Preceding him in death were his parents and his sister, Arlis Guinn.

Those remaining to celebrate his life are: his wife, Berna of the home; their children, Doug and wife, Lorri, of Prairie Village, Bregette Ginther of Colorado Springs, Gina Chvatal and husband, Scott, of Atwood, Deborah Wehner and husband, Ron, of Rogersville, Mo., Kim Zollinger and husband, Bryan, of Price, Utah, and Greg and wife, Karen, of Atwood; nine grandchildren: Matt and Jeff Leibbrandt, Blake, Drew and Bart Ginther, Hillary and Olivia Chvatal, Tyler Britt and Hunter Leibbrandt; two step-grandchildren, Wendy and Rob Wehner; and one step-great-grandchild, Gabe Wehner.

Also, he will be missed by his sister, Naomi Renz of Lakewood, Colo.; his brother, Ben and wife, Pat, of St. Francis; numerous nieces and nephews; a host of other family members; and many, many friends.

Arrangements by Williams Funeral Home, Atwood.

## St. Francis News

Donna Northrup and Gertie Lloyd were Thursday afternoon coffee guests of Marge Lampe.

Kathleen Stanley has once again been to Colorado visiting her daughter, Virginia Draper of Littleton, Virginia, who goes by "Ginny" is a night nurse at Swedish Hospital in Englewood. She took several extra nights off so they could have a good visit. Dorothy Rummel, a cousin, visited one day when Ginny had worked and was sleeping.

Kathleen and Ginny kept busy trying new recipes and also eating out. Kathleen had an adventure at the Red

Lobster trying trout (she doesn't care for fish). It was good. They also enjoyed soft chicken taco's at El Parrel, variety at Country Buffet, soup no good but salad, lemon cake, cappacino was great at the Olive Garden as was Ginny's spaghetti.

Kathleen also had her hair trimmed and curled the day Ginny had her hair done. They gave her a style giving sports to her face. Ginny also sported her mom to a pedicure and when asked what color for her toes she surprised Ginny with red, given her favorite color is red.

Sunday they sent to the movie and saw "Cheaper By The Dozen" which

Kathleen really enjoyed. Later, Ginny played "Chicago" on the VCR and Kathleen enjoyed the music and dancing, but wasn't sure about the plot. Watching country music programs and other comedies on television was also enjoyed by Kathleen.

An enjoyable week and a half was had. Kathleen will repeat her visit in three to four months.

Kathleen returned home on Wednesday afternoon. an early supper at Park Hill was enjoyed by Kathleen, Martha Stothard, Dorothy and Angie Hankins and Ginny Draper. Ginny returned home in the afternoon.

## Why run all over?



'01 Ford F250 XLT - 4x4, white-gray, power stroke, cruise control, V6, CD, tow-pkg. caps, bars, 49,035 miles, #P6186A ... \$27,600



'02 Grand Cherokee Jeep - Blue, Laredo Sport, 6-cyl., cruise control, CD/cassette, leather seats, 53,485 miles, #P6144A ... \$19,500

### ALSO on the lot ...

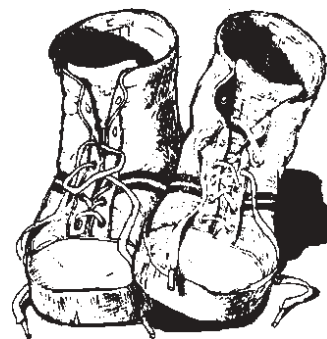
'01 Buick Century - Silver, 4-door, custom V6, cruise control, power windows, power door locks, cassette, 93,597 miles, #P46113A ... \$7,995

'00 Cadillac DeVille - Silver, 4-door Northstar, cruise control, CD, leather/heated/memory seats, 42,263 miles, #P6109A ... \$21,900

'92 Chevy Suburban - LS, white and gray, 350, cruise control, power windows, power door locks, cassette, 141,668 miles, #P6101B ... \$6,995

'99 Chevy Suburban - LT, pewter, 350, cruise control, power windows, power door locks, CD, leather seats, 156,670 miles, #P6030A ... \$11,500

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'02 Ford F150 Lariat - 4x4, white, super crew cab, 5.4, cruise control, CD/cassette leather/heated seat, 17,821 miles, #346176A ... \$27,000



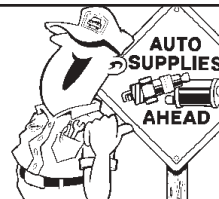
'96 Chevy Pickup - Red and white, C-1500, ext. cab, cruise control, CD/cassette, bench seats, hitch, camper shell, 89,136 miles, #P6085A ... \$11,500

'01 Chevy Lumina - Green, 3.1, V6, cassette, power windows, power door locks, 60,601 miles, #P5204 ... \$7,200

'03 Monte Carlo - Silver, 2-door, 6G, power windows, cruise control, 24,046 miles, #P5982 ... \$15,500

'01 GMC K-1500 Pickup - SLT, 4x4, ext. cab, 5.3 cruise control, CD leather seats, Onstar, 44,556 miles, #G46105B ... \$21,900

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