

Margaret Mary Devlin Jones

May 13, 1923 - July 19, 2004
 Margaret Mary (Devlin) Jones was born May 13, 1923, to Bernard Leo and Mary Agnes (O'Rourke) Devlin at the family ranch near Hale, Colo. She was the second of eight children. Margaret Mary "Peggy" died on July 19, 2004, at the Brookside Nursing Center in Castle Rock, Colo. She had been ill with Alzheimer's for several years. Peggy grew up on a ranch near Hale. She attended through eighth grade at a country school close to the family home. She graduated from Idalia High School. She then attended Colorado Teachers College in Greeley, Colo. Peggy taught school for one year west of Idalia, worked at the Agricultural Stabilization Conservation Service (A.S.C.) office a year and then went to Denver to join the war effort. She was working at an Air Force base when she met Irvin H. Jones. They were married in Denver, June 6, 1945. Irvin and Peggy had three children: Margaret Mary, Alice Ann and Daniel Irvin. Margaret Mary graduated from St. Mary's Academy and Colorado State Uni-

versity. She married Chris Neuhauser Aug. 4, 1969, and had one son, Marc Andres. Maggie died Nov. 28, 1973, in Africa. Alice Ann attended St. Mary's Academy. She married Jim Hogan, July 4, 1969. They have two children, Kelley Elizabeth and Daniel Philip Hogan. Daniel Irvin was born Sept. 7, 1952. He attended Mullen High School. He married Karen Strasser, March 10, 1979. They have three children, Amanda Faith Jones, Adam Eugene Jones, Katherine Lyn Jones.

Margaret Mary was preceded in death by her parents, Bernard Leo Devlin and Mary Agnes; her husband, Irvin H. Jones; brother, Mark Devlin and daughter, Margaret Mary "Maggie" Jones Neuhauser.

She is survived by her children, Alice (Jim) Hogan, Daniel Irvin (Karen); grandchildren: Mark Neuhauser, Germany; Kelley (Vic) Capocelli, Daniel (Sarah) Hogan, Fort Collins, Colo.; Amanda Jones, Adam Jones, Katelyn Jones, St. Francis; great-grandchildren, Alessia and Emily Capocelli; sisters, Teresa (Perry) Blach, Yuma, Colo., Cathy (Tom) Waller, Lawrence; brothers, Gene (Barbara) Devlin, Las Vegas, Nev., Fa-

ther Philip, Peru, Terrance (Linda) Devlin, Phoenix, Ariz., Paul (Mamie) Devlin, Stillwater, Okla.

Services were held July 24 at the Most Precious Blood Catholic Church, Denver. Interment was at the Serenity Gardens at the Horan & McConaty Mortuary.

Lenora Evelyn (Searl) Spicka

Aug. 10, 1914 - July 15, 2004

Lenora Evelyn (Searl) Spicka was born on a ranch in Gosper County, Neb., near the town of Holobrook, to Fay L. and Myrtle (Lukins) Searl on Aug. 10, 1914, and died July 15, 2004, at the Good Samaritan Center in Atwood, Kan., at the age of 89 years, 11 months and five days.

During her childhood, she grew up in Gosper County, Chase County near Imperial, Neb., and Lamar, Neb., and then to a farm east of Imperial, where she completed grade school in a little country school.

It was during the school years, she decided to become a teacher. She attended Chase County High School graduating in May, 1933, earning a teaching certificate by taking Normal Training. After the first term of teaching, she attended the Kearney State Teachers' College. She taught school seven years in Chase and Dundy counties. She was proud of all her students.

On April 19, 1941, she was united in marriage to Frank J. Spicka, a young farmer from Bearsley. The farm became her life's work; helping farm and being a true companion. Together, they were very suc-

cessful in their life's work, building up a farmstead from scratch and buying some land.

In July of 1952, Lenora and Frank adopted a precious son, Norman Joseph, only 2-years-old. He was their love, pride and joy.

After Frank's death in 1979, Lenora and Joe farmed for a short time. Lenora retired to New Mexico to be near her sister, Mrs. Vesper Pearson. She later moved to Denver, then to McDonald in 1993, when her son, Norman became ill. She entered the Good Samaritan Center in Atwood in 2000, where she resided until her death.

Preceding her in death were her husband, Frank; parents; sister, Irene Whips; son, Norman "Joe" and a brother, Art Searl.

She was a loving wife and mother and a good friend and neighbor to all.

She was a member of St. John's Nepomucene Catholic Church for 42 years and the Christian Mothers Altar Society. She was also a member of the Holy Family Church and altar society of Deming, N.M., and Sacred Heart Catholic Church of Atwood.

Survivors include a sister, Vesper Pearson of Deming; special friends, Vance and Betty Lewis of McDonald, nieces, nephews and a host of good friends.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on July 17, at St. John Nepomucene Catholic Church in rural Atwood with Father Dana Clark as Celebrant. Interment was in the St. John Cemetery. Bill Cahoj Jr., was the lector, Kayla and Haley McCain were the mass servers, Pat

Skolout and Virginia Burk were the Extra Ordinary ministers of Communion and Susie McCain and Shelton McCain presented the gifts. The music liturgy was by St. John's Choir and congregation, Cheryl Wilkinson was the song leader and Mary Faimon was the organist.

Casket bearers included Craig Sabatka, R.J. Sabatka, Greg Wilkinson, Larry Cahoj, John Skolout and Michael Sis.

Memorials may be addressed in her name to the St. John Church and Atwood Good Samaritan Center. A parish vigil and rosary were said on July 16. Rosary leader was Helen Horinek.

Williams Funeral Home of Atwood was in charge of the arrangements.

Edgar L. Kriegh

June 20, 1935 - July 24, 2004

Edgar L. Kriegh Jr., 69, Wallace County, Kan., died Saturday, July 24, 2004, at the Greeley County Hospital in Tribune.

He was born June 20, 1935, at Hays, the son of Edgar Lyle Kriegh and Edith (Cook). He attended schools in Wallace and Sharon Springs.

He served his country in the United States Army from Jan. 25, 1955, through Jan. 25, 1957.

In May 7, 1958, he and Virginia Lea (Bolen) Deines were married at Colby. He was a welder.

His memberships included Veterans of Foreign Wars - Jerome Dechant Post 6844.

Preceding him in death were his parents; four brother, Delbert,

Lawrence, Marvin and Donnie; two nephews; and two great-nephews.

Surviving family includes Rick Kriegh and his wife, Deanna, of Fort Morgan, Colo.; grandson Reid Kriegh and his wife, Cheylene, great-grandchildren, Mickey Ann and Hunter, all of St. Francis; granddaughter Trista Smull and her husband, Matt of St. Francis; granddaughter Danielle Kriegh and her fiancé, Brock McAtee, both of Hays; son Mickey Kriegh and his wife, Beth; grandchildren, Elizabeth, Dianna, Brian, and Lia Kriegh, all of Stratford, Okla.; daughter Vicki Jensen and her husband, Doug; grandchildren Sara Jensen, Austin Jensen, John Coker and Laramie Coker, all of Minneapolis; ex-wife Virginia L. Kriegh of Minneapolis; special friend, Emily Vincent of Sharon Springs; sister Edeline Fischer of Sharon Springs; sister Wanda Minniix of Garden City; brother Max Kriegh and his wife, Scoop of Winona; sister Luella Duffey of Menlo; sister Evelyn Gaschler and her husband, Art of Longmont, Colo.; brother Ronnie Kriegh and his wife, Jane of Salina; sister JoAnn Radiel of Salina; brother Rex Kriegh of Aurora, Colo.; sister Kay Kinney and her husband, Roger of Aurora, Colo., and many nieces and nephews.

The body was cremated. A memorial service will be at a later date.

Memorials may be designated to the Junior Kriegh Memorial, and may be sent to Koons Funeral Home, 211 North Main, Goodland, KS 67735-1555.



DALLAS REED received her Grow and Show rabbit from Terri Orth, June 1. Radar and Brownie will be shown at the Cheyenne County Fair. Photo courtesy of Lacy Reed

Freedom

By Brooke Lucas

Monotonous, dull, boring, lonesome, sad, all of these words describe, in my words, what it would be like to live in a country that wasn't "free." We sometimes take for granted all that we have here in America. We don't realize that elsewhere in the world others are struggling while we seem to be thriving compared to them.

I think it would be hard to live a life where others dictate your every move. I don't think I could adjust to being placed in a job that I wasn't happy with just because that is where I was needed. It would be difficult to have your hard earned money go off somewhere and you hardly get to see a penny. I would wonder what I did so wrong to be punished so.

We wouldn't get to experience all of the thrills in life if we didn't reside in a free country.

All of the places that we can go and explore and learn about wouldn't exist to us anymore. I think that it would be as if you could see through the keyhole but couldn't find the key to open the door.

In 1775 our country fought for its independence from Great Britain and won. We have continued fighting for that independence. Our country has helped others to fight for freedom also. Right now, our soldiers are over in Iraq trying to help the citizens re-build after liberating them from Saddam.

I think it would be very hard to live in a country that wasn't free. I couldn't live that hard, saddening lifestyle I don't think. I wouldn't like to sit very long under the thumb of oppression. I like it right where I am today in the USA... "the land of the free and the home of the brave."

Book Review

Partners in Crime

By J.A. Jance

A terrifying truth is buried at the juncture where lethal greed and unassailable power converge.

The dead woman was an artist recently arrived from Washington State, cruelly cut down in the early stages of a promising career. Now all that remains of Rochelle Baxter lies on a cold slab in the Cochise County morgue, and Sheriff Joanna Brady knows that murder has once again infected her small desert community. But there is more to this homicide than initially meets the eye - and more to the victim, who died while supposedly under the conscientious protection of the government.

A big-city legal establishment has no faith in the abilities of a small-town sheriff, let alone a female sheriff. Instructed to swallow her indignation, Joanna waits the arrival of the "help" Washington's attorney general is

sending her: the newest member of the state's Special Homicide Investigation team - a man named Beaumont.

Bisbee, Ariz., is the last place J.P. Beaumont wants to be. The ghosts of a painful past are too numerous there, and his reluctant "partner," Sheriff Brady, resents his intrusion and cannot help but make her feelings known.

But the road they are forced to travel together is taking some unexpected turns, running two dedicated servants of the law headfirst into the impenetrable stone walls of a shocking conspiracy of silence. For Brady and Beaumont's hunt is disturbing a very deadly nest of rattles, and suddenly trust is the only option they have. On their own in the Arizona desert, they know death can be cold and quick. And nobody is watching their backs here...they'll have to watch each other's.

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