

Obituaries

Norman K. Leichter

May 26, 1911-Oct. 18, 2004
Norman K. Leichter, resident of Coralville, Iowa, died on Oct. 18, 2004, in his home at 1920 Liberty Court.

He is survived by his wife, Geneva; two sons, Homer H. of Rochester Minn. and John Philip Leichter of Walnut Creek, Calif.; his daughter, Kathy J. Miller, of Coralville, Iowa; 14 grandchildren, 24 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren. His two oldest children, JoAnn K. Ratzlaff, and Norman W. Leichter preceded him in death.

Norm was born in Clayton, Kan., on May 26, 1911. He married Geneva in 1936 and moved to Norton where he served as chief of police. His career selling farm equipment began with John Deere Plow Company for two years, then 19 years in Atwood as owner of the Leichter Implement Company, and on to Hays, working 19 years for Price Brothers Equipment Company of Wichita.

Norm was active with Gideon's International and his church for many years. He also served in the Army during WWII.

A memorial service will be held at the Full Gospel Church in Norton on Nov. 13 at 11 a.m. following graveside services at 10 a.m. at the Clayton Cemetery. A luncheon will follow in the fellowship hall of the Full Gospel Church.

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested donations be made in Norman Leichter's name to The Gideon's International, Post Office Box 140800, Nashville, TN 37214-0800, or to Iowa City Hospice, 1025 Wade Street, Iowa City, IA 52240. (Attention to Judy).

Josephine Harriet Hunter

Aug. 16, 1921 - Sept. 15, 2004.

Josephine Harriet (Hoyt) Hunter died Sept. 15, 2004, in Denver, Colo.

Harriet was born at the George Henry home southwest of Bird City, Kan., on Aug. 16,

1921, with twin brother, William Francis Hoyt, to mother Mary Helena (Henry) Hoyt and father, William Lester Hoyt.

Preceding her in death were parents, Mary and Lester, eldest son, Lewis Andrew Hunter Jr., and granddaughter, Wanda Kay Hunter.

She is survived by her husband of 64 years, Lewis Andrew Hunter Sr.; daughter-in-law, Kathleen Hunter, grandson, Leroy Hunter and wife, Faleen, and great-granddaughter, Darian; granddaughter, Teresa Schmidt and husband, Wesley, daughters, Lenna Weisenhorn and husband, Pete, and Lavonda Brown and husband, Bud; and son, Gary Hunter and wife, Kay, and grandson, Nicholas.

Raised in Bird City, Harriet married Lewis Hunter Sr., on Sept. 8,

1940, in St. Francis. Harriet and family moved to a farm outside of Woodrow, Colo., in 1956. She and her husband moved to Anton, Colo., in 1967, and then to Denver, Colo., in 1970.

As a homemaker, her passion was her family. She will be missed for the many deeds and blessings she gave them.

The funeral services were held Sept. 20, at Olinger Rose Arbor Chapel with entombment at Crown Hill Good Shepherd Mausoleum, Olinger Crown Hill Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Bud Brown, Gary Hunter, Nicholas Hunter, Pete Weisenhorn.

Arrangements were entrusted to Olinger Crown Hill Mortuary.

Henry O. Schultz

Feb. 14, 1919 - Oct. 24, 2004

Henry O. Schultz was born Feb. 14, 1919, and died Oct. 24, 2004, of natural causes. Henry was born in Cheyenne County to Paul and Lena Schultz and was the third of nine children.

At the age of 10, he started working on the family farm and by the age of 12, he was driving a tractor solo. After finishing his freshman year of high school, he was required to work full time at the family farm.

In 1937, he met Margaret Wickwar while attending various barn dances, ball games and plays. On Feb. 1, 1940, they were united in marriage. To this marriage four beautiful children were born, Sharon Kay, Stanley Lynn (deceased), Janice Rae and Sandra Sue.

In 1945 he relocated his family to the Walz place and initially did ranching and farming with his brother John helping out. Roughly eight years later, Henry decided to focus strictly on farming and expanded his farming efforts to over 2,000 acres. In 1983, he and Margaret moved to Wray, Colo., and continued farming until 1985, at which time brother Rueben took over the farming for another four years. Farming was his life and throughout 56 years he was a true pro with arrow straight rows - which will be remembered.

Throughout his life, Henry was willing to sacrifice everything for his family by working more than one job to help make ends meet or to help get ahead. Yet, he was never too busy to help out a neighbor, a friend or a family member. Anyone who knew him knew he would always be there to lend a helping hand.

Besides being an excellent farmer and a genuine giver, he was more than willing to learn something new - like selling Dekalb seed. This approach earned him many rewards, which included vacations for being one of the top Dekalb seed dealers. This attitude also allowed him to become a "handy man" that could fix just about anything, ranging from a go-cart with a burnt out

belt to remodeling homes for family members and friends.

Henry enjoyed his retirement years by never really stopping his work; he just had more time to help others as well as taking on household duties when Margaret started having difficulty with her eye site. Fond memories were grandkids, great-grandkids, 50th wedding anniversary, and last but not least his surprise 80th birthday party with all his family.

Preceding him in death were parents, infant son Stanley, three brothers and two sisters.

Survivors include wife, Margaret; three daughters Sharon, Janice and Sandy, six grandkids and five great-grandkids which include Joey Busby, Jeff and Lynn Busby and son Cody, Bryan and Cathi Clark, daughter Harley and step kids Nick and Mellissa Newton, Brad and Jacque Clark, daughters Lexie and Ashlee and son Austen, Heidi Morris and Kurt Morris; brothers include Rueben and wife, Valjean Schultz, John and wife, Darlene Schultz, and sister Mildred Kroeger and many other family members and friends. He will be truly missed.

Funeral services were Wednesday, Oct. 27, at the First Christian Church in St. Francis with Pastor Tony Christians officiating.

Honorary pallbearers were grandchildren, Joe Busby, Jeff Busby, Bryan Clark, Brad Clark, Kurt Morris, Heidi Morris.

Casket bearers were Eddy Schultz, Scott Schultz, Daryl Schultz, Larry Schultz, Steve Schultz, Paul Hefner.

Interment was in the St. Francis Cemetery, St. Francis.

Memorials may be sent to the First Christian Church in St. Francis or the Wray Community Hospital in Wray.

Arrangements were made by Knodel Funeral Home located in St. Francis.



Schultz



LIONS CLUB honored Carl Werner, left, for 19 years of service as secretary/treasurer. The gift, which was a beautiful hand-crafted clock, was made by Francis O'Leary.

Herald staff photo by Betty Jean Winston

Lions member honored for 19 years as officer

The St. Francis Lions Club was called to order at the Windmill Restaurant on Monday, Oct. 25 by Elmer Kellner, president. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Marvin Zimbelman gave the invocation. The drawing was won by guest Phil Crawford.

It was decided to offer Diabetes Awareness education at the craft show on Nov. 6 and also to arrange a similar program at the Senior Center during November. Support Our Troops Ribbons will be sold at the craft show as well.

A donation was made to the Food Pantry and the Nov. 8 meeting has been designated as a club food drive. All members are urged to bring items to donate to the Pantry.

In a special presentation, Carl Werner was honored for his club service of over 19 years as secretary/treasurer. President Kellner present him with a certificate of service and a beautiful walnut mantel clock which was crafted by Francis O'Leary and plays two types of chimes.

Phil Crawford, St. Francis' cowboy poet, alias "Tumbleweed," gave an entertaining performance of some of his original work for the evening's program.

The next regular meeting will at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 8, at the Windmill Restaurant. Anyone interested in becoming a Lion is encouraged to attend.

Club visits house



The St. Francis "Red Hatters" met at Goodland's Ennis Handy House for their Oct. 23 meeting. Twenty-six members were present including "Pink Hatter" Denise Andrist.

The Handy House was built in 1907 and is a prime example of Victorian architecture. The furnishings are of that period, too. Red Hatters enjoyed viewing the home following the tea and program.

During the tour, the guide noted that many homes of that period did not have closets because taxes were based on the number of rooms in the house and a closet was considered a "room." The Handy House had several closets.

The Goodland Historical Society maintains the house and hosted the "High Tea" social.

The tables were decorated in the finest settings and linens. Fall colored leaves, high-topped shoes, flowers, miniature slippers and dolls were the centerpieces.

Miss Rae (Raedell Winston), who planned the High Tea, welcomed the members. Queen Lou (Mary Lou Munn) presided over the short business meeting and had each member introduce herself with her "pin" name.

The tea included a variety of tea cakes and sandwiches along with apricot butter. Hot tea was the beverage.

Evelyn Berry of Goodland was the program speaker. Her presentation, "The Joy of Hats," not only included a variety of hats she had worn through the years but also several which had belonged to her mother. They ranged from the working bonnet to the very elegant hat.

The meeting concluded with each member receiving a miniature china doll for a favor.

The Red Hatters meet once a month for an outing planned by the member(s) who have a birthday that month.



Student News

Cleveland Chiropractic College

Cleveland Chiropractic College has announced Relaford (RW) Stuart has made the Dean's List once again.

A student receives this honor when he/she has earned a 3.40 grade point average in a term during

which 12 new credits have been taken.

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