

Obituaries

Janice E. Flanders

Feb. 23, 1936 - Nov. 20, 2006
Janice E. (Meier) Flanders, age 70, Edson homemaker, died Monday, Nov. 20, 2006, at the Goodland Regional Medical Center.

Jan was born on Feb. 23, 1936, in Dubuque, Kan., to George and Lena Meier. She attended school in Bunker Hill and attended Fort Hays State University. She taught English and coached girls basketball at Edson High School for one year before she married Jim Flanders on May 23, 1959, at the Methodist Church in Goodland. She enjoyed cooking with her family and attending their sporting events. She was a member of Beaver Valley EHU.

She is survived by her husband Jim, daughter Fawn (Dr. Charles) Flanders-Fulk of Olathe, sons Dr. Blake (Risa) Flanders of Topeka, Brent (Diana) Flanders of Edson, and Mark (Jamie) Flanders of Strasburg, Colo., 16 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren, and brother Melvin Meier of Dorrance.

Jan was preceded in death by her parents, brother Gene Meier and grand-daughter Hannah Flanders.

A memorial service was held on Saturday, Nov. 25, at Bateman Funeral Home, Goodland. Inurnment was private.

Memorials can be sent to the Jan Flanders Historical Preservation Fund in care of the Farmers Bank and Trust, P.O. Box 219, Brewster, Kans., 67732 or the Funeral Home P.O. Box 278, Goodland, Kans., 67735.

Alvin Ruben Zwegardt

Jan. 22, 1923 - Oct. 26, 2006
Alvin Ruben Zwegardt was born Jan. 22, 1923, in rural Cheyenne County, Kans., to Wilhelm and Martha (Hoffman) Zwegardt. Alvin was the first boy of 13 children, following the birth of three sisters, Clara, Alice and Mildred. Following Alvin were Lenora, Victor, Sylvia, Martha, Martin, Eldon, Harvey, Norman and Billy.

Alvin loved to share memories of hard work on the farm like bringing home the cows and driving the wagon. As the oldest boy, he had many responsibilities to his family which he took seriously.

Baseball was a lifelong love to the Zwegardt boys and Alvin was no exception. When he could get away from work to play, he played catcher. He also loved to string trout lines at the creek with his brother-in-law, "Doc" (Otto) Isernhagen.

Church was important in Alvin's life. He was baptized at Salem Lutheran Church in rural Cheyenne County, Feb. 4, 1923, and was confirmed June 13, 1937. He found peace in attending Salem Church as long as his health permitted. Even with failing eyesight from diabetes, he continued to read Portals of Prayer and looked forward to Pastor Chris Farmer's visits to have communion.

On June 17, 1960, he married Loretta Brinkhoff of Idalia, Colo. They raised two sons, Kenji Scott Zwegardt and Kary Lee

Zwegardt. Loretta preceded him in death but he kept her memory alive by sharing stories of their life together.

Alvin was a lifelong farmer, farming with his brother Victor until retirement. When he could no longer farm, he turned his attention to his grass, keeping it watered and fertilized and safe from rabbits. Once a farmer, always a farmer.

Alvin died on Oct. 26, 2006, at the Cheyenne County Hospital. He was preceded in death by his wife, Loretta, his mother and father, Martha and Wilhelm, his sister, Clara, and brothers, Martin and Eldon as well as brother-in-laws, Dale Queen and Otto Isernhagen.

He is survived by his son Kary, daughter-in-law, Kim, and grandchildren, Jordan, Britt and Lauren Zwegardt of St. Francis, and son, Kenji, daughter-in-law, Sue, and granddaughters Natalya and Stella Zwegardt of Oskaloosa.

He will be missed by family and friends, including his surviving brothers and sisters, Victor and wife, Darlene, Harvey and wife, Phyllis, of St. Francis, Billy and wife, Charlotte, of Sterling, Colo., Norman and wife, Donna, of Peoria, Ariz., and sisters, Alice Isernhagen, Sylvia Queen and Martha Zwegardt and husband, Raymond, all of St. Francis, Mildred Zimbelman, and husband, Eddie, of Denver, and Lenora Zeilinger and husband, Paul, of Phoenix, as well as many nephews and nieces and extended family.

Funeral Services were Oct. 30 were held at 10:30 at the Salem Lutheran Church with Pastor Chris Farmer officiating.

Casket bearers were Glenn Isernhagen, Marlin Queen, Linfred Oster, Don Zwegardt, Harlan Zwegardt and Brice Buffington.

Interment was at the Salem Lutheran Church Cemetery in rural St. Francis.

Joyce Rae Carmichael-Wiley

Aug. 13, 1925 - Nov. 16, 2006
Joyce Rae Carmichael-Wiley was born on Aug. 13, 1925, to Ray Albert Carmichael and Dollie Ludell Holliman-Carmichael in the family home southwest of St. Francis, Kan. Joyce was the first born of eight children: Dorothy Mae Carmichael-Carpenter, Bobby Dale Carmichael, Wardie Lee Carmichael, Bill Gary Carmichael, Jerry Elden Carmichael, Carol Yvonne Carmichael-Lampe, and Darol Wesley Carmichael.

Joyce was baptized at a young age and then became a member of the Methodist Church. She attended grade school at Neville Country School and then attended the St. Francis Community High School graduating with the class of 1943. Upon graduation, she worked at the Cheyenne County ASCS office.

She met Bob Wiley in 1944 and after a year of courtship, she married "Bobbie" on Oct. 28, 1945, while he was on leave from the Army. During the time Bob was stationed in Italy, Joyce worked in

St. Francis where she lived during the week, and, on the weekends, she lived with Bob's mother on the farm near Hale, Colo.

When Bob returned from the service, Joyce and Bob made their home on the family farm. Two daughters were born to this union: Marsha Rae and Cathy Jo. In 1974, she and Bob moved to St. Francis where they lived until Joyce's death. During her many years, she enjoyed her family, making cinnamon rolls, crocheting, reading and drinking coffee with friends. In October of 2006, she and Bob celebrated their 61st wedding anniversary with their children and Joyce's siblings.

Joyce was preceded in death by both of her parents Ray and Dollie, brothers Bobbie, Ward, and Jerry and brother-in-law Bill Carpenter. Survivors include: husband, Bob of St. Francis; daughter Marsha Rae Wiley-Zion and husband Rick of Ft. Collins, Colo.; daughter Cathy Jo Wiley-Bandel and husband Charlie of Goodland; granddaughters Sheena Zion of Idalia.; Nicole Bandel-Burkett and husband Michael of Kansas City, Mo.; Brandi Bandel-Penick and husband David of Tulsa, Okla.; Brook Zion of Denver; great-granddaughters Makayla and Mackenzie Burkett of Kansas City and Kaitlyn, Cassandra, and Kristen Penick of Tulsa; sister Dorothy Carpenter of St. Francis; brother Bill and wife Neala of Sterling, Colo., sister-in-law Sherry Carmichael of Bird City; sister Carol and husband John of St. Francis; Darol and wife Linda of Salina; as well as many nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Services were held Nov. 2 at the United Methodist Church, St. Francis. Officiants were Rev. Morita Truman and Rev. Chad DeJong.

Honorary Pallbearers were Lee Busby, Ruth Van Meter, Bessie Burr, Jesse Schield, Darlene Feikert and Hattie Terry.

Pallbearers were Michael Burkett, Brent Carmichael, Dale Carpenter, Tim Raile, David Penick, Wade Carmichael, Damon Carmichael, Lynn Stover, Scott Carmichael, Kevin Myers, Pete Hays and Logan Lampe

Burial was in the St. Francis Cemetery with Knodel Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.



TOM KELLER, member of the St. Francis Leadership, talks to the students in Steve Jenkins government class. The Leadership members were getting student feedback.

Leadership members talk to the government students

Last week, five members of the St. Francis Leadership Committee, met with Steve Jenkins' Advanced Government students to talk about the positive and negative features of the community.

Earlier, Penny Gienger and Tom Keller had approached Mr. Jenkins about getting student feedback on these issues. Mr. Jenkins proposed that a panel discussion between the members of the Leadership Committee and the students be held.

Two class days were scheduled and the students and the committee examined some of the following issues:

- What are the positives about living in St. Francis:
- What are areas that need to be improved so the younger generation can come back to St. Francis is they want to.

The issues were discussed at length in the morning. The committee ate lunch with the students and then the afternoon discussion began with the students suggesting that there be higher standards for cleanliness in the community, especially along the highway. They would also like to see an activity center and bring back some of the fair-time activities which was of more interest to teens.

Finally, they thought that some of

St. Francis' features should be promoted as a place for opportunity, noting that the town is a safe place to live and the cost of real estate is very reasonable.

"I was very impressed with the level of discussion," Mr. Jenkins said. "These kids showed a lot of thought and analysis and, ironically, they were concerned about the same things that adults are concerned about."

"I thought it was a worthwhile endeavor."

Those members of the Leadership Committee were Megan Douthit, Tom Keller, Calra Lampe, Clay Zimbelman and Scott Schultz.

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Cardiologist	Vijay D. Subbarao, M.D.	Dec. 14
Counseling Services		Thursdays by Appt.
Dermatologist	Charles W. Ruggles	Dec. 7, 21
Dietitian	Sarah Linfon, RD, LD	Mon. thru Fri.
Ear, Nose, Throat	Alfred N. Carr, M.D.	Dec. 1, 8, 14, 15
Endocrinologist	Gerald S. Poticha, M.D.	
Gastroenterologist	Jeffrey D. Huston, M.D.	
General Surgeon	David D. Beck, M.D.	Dec. 14, 28
General Surgeon	Brigitta Robinson, M.D.	TBA
General Surgeon	Jeffrey S. Cross, M.D.	Dec. 7, 21
Gynecology	Laura A. Rokosz, M.D.	Dec. 6, 20
Neurologist	Steven J. Gulevich, M.D.	Dec. 6, 20, 29
Obstetrics/Gynecology	David Forschner, M.D.	
Oncology/Hematology	Martin J. Rubinowitz, M.D.	
Ophthalmologist	David S. Pfoff, M.D.	Dec. 4, 5, 12, 19
Ophthalmologist	Brian C. Joondeph, M.D.	Dec. 20
Orthopedics	John M. Gargaro, M.D.	Dec. 4
Orthopedics	Timothy Birney, M.E.	Dec. 11
Orthopedics	Rajesh Bazaz, M.D.	Dec. 11
Orthopedics	James C. Holmes, M.D.	Dec. 18
Orthopedics	Kevin Nagamani, M.D.	Dec. 6
Orthopedics	Edward H. Parks, M.D.	Dec. 26
Podiatry	David E. Ouderkirik, D.P.M.	Dec. 4
Psychiatrist	John C. Faul, M.D.	Dec. 6, 8
Pulmonologist	Kenneth H. Weisiger, M.D.	
Radiologists	Professional Radiology	Weekdays
Rheumatologist	Karl T. Chambers, M.D.	Dec. 21
Speech Therapy	Lisa Paxton	By Appt. Only
Substance Abuse Dir.	Fred Waters, CADC III	Monday
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