

Family



The Lovenstein's in 1958



Marvin and Carol Lovenstein

Couple to celebrate wedding anniversary

Marvin and Carol Lovenstein will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary at 2 p.m. Saturday at the City Limits Convention Center. The party will be given by their children and grandchildren.

The couple married Oct. 20, 1958, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Colby. They have three children, Kelli and Sean Hankin, Colby; Kevin and Eilenne Lovenstein, North Yarmouth, Maine; and Keith Lovenstein; and five grandchildren.

Gas prices down again

WICHITA (AP) — In the shadow of the nation's economic melt-down, there is at least one bit of good news for Kansans: Gasoline prices are dropping to levels that haven't been seen in about a year and are well below the national average.

prices in Kansas cities at \$2.84 per gallon. In the Topeka area, pump prices are slightly less than \$2.73 per gallon.

AAA says today's national average price was \$3.20, down 53 cents from a month ago. A year ago the nation's average was \$2.76.

The AAA Fuel Gauge report shows Kansas' average price of a gallon of regular unleaded was \$2.81 today, down 73 cents from just a month ago.

Experts say pump prices are the result of declining crude oil and wholesale gas costs.

A year ago, the statewide average was \$2.67 per gallon, and Wichita and some other Kansas locales are at or approaching that level now.

Correction

Kansas City, Kansas, and Lawrence have the highest average

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Deaths

Richard Murrah Groft

Richard Murrah Groft, 79, a former business owner in Nebraska who was married in Colby, died at his home in WaKeeney on Friday, Oct. 10, 2008.

He was born in WaKeeney on March 12 1929, the son of Earl Murrah and Berniece Beulah (Welden) Groft.

He operated the Groft Gambel's Store in Crawford, Neb., for 16 years before becoming a driver's license examiner for the State of Kansas for many years until he retired in 1997 in WaKeeney.

He attended school in WaKeeney and graduated from Kemper Military Academy, Boonville, Mo. He also attended the University of Kansas.

He and Catherine Vyrleen Young married April 17, 1955, in Colby. She died in 1992. A sister, Sharon Kerth, also preceded him in death.

He was a member of the WaKeeney Presbyterian Church, the WaKeeney Masonic Lodge, the Scottish Rite and the Isis Shrine

Temple of Salina.

He was a Silver Haired legislator from Trego County and served as the director of the Northwest Kansas Area Agency on Aging.

He is survived by his companion, Genita Hughes, LaCrosse, and two daughters, Becky Topliff and Randy Waggoner, Abilene, and Teri Grove, Lakewood, Colo.

Services will be at 10:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 14, 2008, at the Schmitt Funeral Home in WaKeeney, with burial in the WaKeeney Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. tonight, Monday, Oct. 13, at the funeral home.

Memorials can be made to the Trego County Senior Center or the WaKeeney Masonic Lodge in care of the funeral home at 336 N. 12th., WaKeeney, Kan. 67672.

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