

Family

Deaths

Judy Darelina Jones

Judy Darelina Jones, 66, wife of former Colby resident H. Dave Jones, died after a long illness Thursday, April 15, 2010, at St. Catherine Hospital in Garden City.



Judy Jones

She was born on Dec. 6, 1943, in Colorado Springs, the daughter of Darrell and Lucille (Weimer) Hobson. She had lived in Garden City since 1954, moving there from Sand Springs, Okla.

On July 2, 1994, she married James in Garden City.

A retired insurance saleswoman, she had worked for several agencies. She was a member of the Word of Life Church and the Humane Society in Garden City.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a daughter, Saundra Shailynn Knaus.

Survivors include her husband,

of the home, two sons, Russ Knaus and Chris Knaus of Garden City; a step-son, Logan Jones, Norfolk, Va.; a step-daughter, Kamela Jones, Minneapolis, Minn.; a brother, Don Hobson, Troy, Ohio; nine grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, April 20, 2010, at the church, with Pastor Le-noir Randle officiating and burial in Valley View Cemetery, Garden City.

Visitation will be today at Price and Sons Funeral Home in Garden City.

The family suggests, instead of flowers, memorials be given to Daily Walk in the Kingdom Ministries, in care of the funeral home, 620 N. Main St., Garden City, Kan., 67846.

Les Haremza

Lester L. Haremza, 73, died Sunday, April 18, 2010, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby.

He was born Feb. 22, 1937, in Colby, the son of Benjamin and Velma (Makings) Haremza.

Survivors include a son, Ron Haremza, and a daughter, Velma (Travis) Goodheart, both of Colby; two brothers, Ed (Ann) Haremza, Larned; and Jim (Shirley) Haremza, Grand Junction, Colo.; a sister, Hulda Gothorp, Curtis, Neb.; and two grandchildren.

Memorial services will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, April 22, 2010, at the Colby United Methodist Church, with pastor James Mardock officiating and interment in Beulah Cemetery.

There will be no visitation; there was cremation.

The family suggests memorial donations to the donor's choice in care of any Colby bank or the Harrison Chapel, Box 634, Colby, Kan., 67701.

Merry Lee Lewis

Merry Lee Lewis, 73, Colby, died Friday, April 16, 2010, at Presbyterian/St. Luke Hospital in Denver.

She was born Sept. 2, 1936, in Ellsworth, the daughter of Walter C. and Estell (Bronson) Cobb.

A past owner of Colby Paint and Wallpaper, she had retired from the Northwest Kansas Educational Service Center.

She was preceded in death by her husband John in 2003 and a daughter, Marcee Magley, in 2008.

Survivors include two sons, Monte J. Lewis, Colby; and Martin S. Lewis, Emporia; a sister,

Cobbie Rogg, Russell; five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, April 21, 2010, at the Colby United Methodist Church, with Pastor Larry Booth and the Rev. Jim Mardock officiating and burial in Beulah Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday at Kersenbrock Funeral Chapel.

The family suggests memorials to Pickin' on the Plains Bluegrass Festival, in care of any Colby bank or the funeral chapel, 745 S. Country Club Dr., Colby, Kan., 67701.

Old-fashioned spade work digs in



Kay Melia

• The Gardener

When I was a kid, which was so many years ago I can hardly remember, I would pick up a little spending money by spading up some of the city folks' garden plots each spring.

From the time I was 8 until about 13, I would make a few cents each evening after school, providing there wasn't any school sports or music scheduled.

I doubt that many kids today have ever plowed a garden with a spading fork, a long handled shovel or a sharp shooter, but in those years of the the Great Depression and the early years of World War II, everybody, and I mean everybody, had a vegetable garden. They were known as Victory Gardens in those days, and families sometimes struggled to raise a little food for their dinner table.

There was no such thing as a rototiller. If you had a large plot of ground nearby, you might have hired someone with a tractor and a moldboard plow to do the job. But generally, the annual plowing of the family plot was done by hand with a shovel of some kind.

If you happened to have a little

fishing trip planned for the weekend, you watched carefully for worms as you turned the soil. And you also kept an eye peeled for a large grasshopper lurking nearby. Bait was not a problem in those days.

It's difficult for me to imagine plowing a garden plot by hand these days, especially me, or a youngster interested in making a few bucks to apply on that next pair of big-name sneakers. But you know what? Some of today's noted soil specialists will tell you that the long-handled shovel is a much more desirable tool to use to plow your garden than a big, modern rototiller.

Think about it. The rotating tines of a rototiller move at high speed, stirring up the top four or five inches of soil efficiently. But those tines, at their high speed,

beat down on the soil underneath, causing considerable compaction. But when you dig down deeply with a shovel, you turn the soil over without compacting it at all. Right? So which method is best for the year-to-year good health of your garden plot?

Or, you could do the job like Ruth Stout used to do. Ruth was 71 when in 1955, she wrote her first gardening book, "How to Have a Green Thumb Without an Aching Back."

Ruth, a native of Girard, always had a huge garden, but one spring day the guy who was supposed to come plow her garden didn't show up. No substitute could be found, so Ruth decided not to plow at all! After all, the rhubarb and the asparagus seemed to thrive without plowing, so why not the other

vegetables?

So here's what she did: Every October, she would cover her garden plot deeply with old hay, straw, leaves and garden residue. In the spring, her garden soil was always soft and moist, so she merely pulled aside the mulch to form rows. Then she would plant seeds or set plants in those, leaving the mulch between the rows.

Her garden thrived. She never plowed the plot again and she never had to hoe or cultivate during the summer months.

Ruth became a garden icon and is credited with many labor-saving practices, the greatest of which was the power of mulch. She died in August 1980 at the age of 96, but she proved that you really didn't need a rototiller — or even a long-handled shovel.

Jazz ensemble to perform

The Colby Community College Jazz Ensemble, directed by Tony Schroer, will perform at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in the Quinter High School Auditorium.

The concert, which will showcase 15 students from Kansas and Nebraska, is sponsored by the

Western Plans Arts Association. The ensemble will perform several traditional swing tunes, including blues, and up-tempo, more modern jazz.

Admission is by season ticket or at the door, adults, \$5, and students, \$3.

Eye health is doctors' topic

Eye health is the topic for this week's Doctors on Call program on Smoky Hills Public Television.

Dr. William Clifford of Fry Eye Associates in Garden City and Dr. Thomas McDonald of Eye Specialists in Hays will answer questions in the viewer call-in program.

The hour-long program will air at 7 p.m. Tuesday and at 3:30 p.m. Sunday. It will feature a video segment on Lasik eye surgery.

Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day	
Hi-Plains Co-op	
Wheat (bushel)	\$4.03
Corn (bushel)	\$3.09
Milo (hundredweight)	\$5.05
Soybeans (bushel)	\$8.68

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Dorothy Agnes (Kleymann) Bourquin

Dorothy Agnes (Kleymann) Bourquin was born on June 30, 1917, to Vincent and Mary (Bauck) Kleymann at the farmstead 20 miles northwest of Leoti, KS. She passed from this life on March 31, 2010, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby at the age of 92 years, 9 months. Funeral services were at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church (Colby) on April 5. Her parents, 5 sisters, 1 brother, her husband and her son Fred Jr. preceded her in death. A memorial fund for the new church elevator was set up. Interment was at Sacred Heart Cemetery in Colby.

Dorothy attended grade school at the country school near St. Theresa's parish. It was a two-teacher school. She graduated from 8th grade and became the teacher's helper the following year. She had six sisters (Lillian, Angela, Isabel, Evelyn, Margaret, Edna) and one brother (Leonard). Dorothy was very active in helping with the family farm. She milked cows and herded cattle on the open range. As a teenager, she experienced all the hardships of the dirty-thirties.

In 1940, Dorothy found work in Colby as a housekeeper/nanny for the Morrison family. It was during this time that she met Fred Bourquin at the local skating rink. They were married on August 24, 1942, at the county courthouse. Fred enlisted in the army soon afterwards, and their first child, Fred Jr., was born at Camp White, Medford, Oregon in June of 43. Afterwards, Fred spent a year overseas and Dorothy returned to Kansas and lived with her in-laws, Achile and Mary (Laurent) Bourquin of Gem.

After the war, Dorothy and Fred moved to a farm on the Sappa Creek north of Gem. They lived in a 20' x15' sod house until the family home was built in '48. Achile Carl was born in '50, John Edward in '51, and Dorothy Annette (Bear) in '55. They added several quarters of land to the farm and planted large gardens, orchards, raised chickens, hogs, and beef cattle, milked cows, and planted wheat. Dorothy had a weekly produce route in Colby for years, selling all kinds of produce from the farm. Dorothy was always active in her church, a member of Wendel Workers HDU and the Altar Society, and a 4-H sewing leader. She loved to knit, embroidery, tat and crochet. Fred Jr. passed away in '75 of multiple sclerosis.

After her husband's death in '90, Dorothy moved back to Colby. She became involved with the Senior Center and served on its board of directors until her health began to fail. She had 14 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren. They were her great joy and delight. She maintained her own home until November, 2007, when she moved to the Colby Care Center. Although her body was worn, her mind was alert and she was cheerful until the very end. She passed away quite suddenly without warning.

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