

Family

Deaths

Ben Keller

Ben Keller, 82, Colby, formerly of Page City, died Monday, June 14, 2010, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, June 18, 2010, at the Oakley High School Auditorium. Visitation will be from 9 a.m. to

9 p.m. Thursday at Kennedy-Koster Funeral Home in Oakley.

The family suggests memorials to the Thomas county foundation, the Logan county Hospital, or Immanuel Lutheran Church in Oakley, in care of the funeral home, Box 221, Oakley, Kan., 67748.

Viola Repshire

Viola Repshire, 90, Colby, died Sunday, June 13, 2010, at Logan County Manor in Oakley.

Services are pending with Kersbrock Funeral Chapel in Colby, 462-7979.

Wayne Woerpel

Wayne Woerpel, 80, Colby, died Monday, June 14, 2010, at Citizens Medical Center.

Services are pending with Harrison Chapel in Colby, 462-2331.

Lloyd G. Wilson

Lloyd G. Wilson, 91, Colby, retired farmer, died Saturday, June 12, 2010, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby.

He was born Oct. 14, 1918, to Frank and Catherine Elizabeth Wilson in Thomas County.

Preceding him in death were his parents.

Survivors include his wife, Bertilla Wilson, of the home; five sons, Lloyd G. Wilson Jr., Imperial, Neb.; and Wayne Wilson, Marvin Wilson, Leland Wilson, and Lonnie Wilson, all of Colby; four daughters, Marilyn McFarland, Pratt; Elaine Nice, Honey Creek,

Iowa; and Laura Withington and Eileen Siebert, both of Colby; a brother, Sonny Wilson, Oakley; 29 grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, June 15, 2010, at Kersbrock Funeral Chapel in Colby, with Pastor Tyler Harrison officiating. Inurnment will be at a later date.

There will be no visitation as cremation was chosen.

The family suggests memorials in his name to be designated at a later date.

Kenneth L. Rohn

Kenneth L. Rohn, 68, who retired from the Colby Hi-Plains Co-Op, died Thursday, June 10, 2010, at the Logan County Hospital in Oakley.

He was born Aug. 4, 1941, in Ogallah, the son of Alvin and Anna (Reitmayer) Rohn.

On June 6, 1964, he married Joyce Mannebach of Menlo at St. Martin's Catholic Church in Seguin.

Preceding him in death were his father and a granddaughter, Tiffany Briggs.

Survivors include his wife, of the home; two sons, Mike (Stephanie) Rohn, Erie, Colo., and Mitch Rohn, Park City; two daughters, Michelle (Rod) Briggs, Lansing;

and Melissa (Dan) Hrencher, Medicine Lodge; his mother, Colby; a brother, Don Rohn, Colby; and seven grandchildren.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, June 15, 2010, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Colby, with Father Dana Clark officiating and burial in Sacred Heart Cemetery.

Visitation is from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. today at Kersbrock Funeral Chapel.

Vigil and rosary will be at 7 p.m. today at the funeral chapel.

The family suggests memorials to the church's elevator fund, in care of any Colby Bank or the funeral chapel, 745 S. Country Club Dr., Colby, Kan., 67701.

George E. Whitaker

George E. Whitaker, 90, retired area supervisor for the Kansas State Fish and Game Commission, Colby, died Wednesday, June 9, 2010, at Citizens Medical Center.

He was born July 31, 1919, in Pratt, the son of George and Carrie (Cunningham) Whitaker. He spent his childhood and attended high school in Pratt.

During the Depression he helped to support his family, following work wherever he could find it. After high school, he worked in the oil fields near Great Bend driving semis transporting oil. For a time he hauled logs in Washington state.

Enlisting in the Army in 1942, he was a sergeant when discharged in 1945. As part of an ordnance battalion deployed in the European, African and Middle Eastern Theaters, he served at Naples-Foggia, Rome-Arno, southern France, the Rhineland, Tunisia and central Europe, receiving six bronze stars.

After the war, he returned to Pratt and married Luvena McCullough on Nov. 2, 1945.

He worked for the fish and game commission at the Pratt fish hatchery until 1949, when he was appointed as a game warden in Atwood. Made supervisor for the northwest Kansas region, he

was transferred to Colby in 1973, where he retired in 1983.

An avid baseball fan, he rarely missed a sporting event in Colby. He enjoyed fishing, hunting and golfing, and in 1965 got a cabin on Hiawatha Lake at Red Feather Lakes, Colo., where the family vacationed for many years and he spent his summers until 2009.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, four brothers, Pete Whitaker, Bill Whitaker, Jim Whitaker and Ernie Whitaker, and a sister, Ida (Whitaker) Scott.

Survivors include a son, Michael (Patricia) Whitaker of Kaycee Wyo.; three grandchildren; and two great-granddaughters.

Memorial services will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, June 17, 2010, at Kersbrock Funeral Chapel in Colby, with Mr. Jerry Bump officiating. Inurnment will be at Red Feather Lakes later.

There is no visitation, as cremation was chosen.

The family suggests memorials the the Red Feather Lakes Fire Department, in care of the funeral chapel, 745 S. Country Club Dr., Colby, Kan., 67701.

Mulch makes all the difference

The process of mulching in a vegetable garden is almost as old as the gardening process itself. Gardeners who do not bother with mulching their plants would be well served to do so.

Mulch serves as a barrier between the soil surface and the air to greatly reduce the evaporation of water. Most mulches also prevent additional moisture loss by suppressing weed growth that would otherwise compete for soil water. Mulch does an excellent job of keeping the fertile top layer of soil relatively moist and thus becomes a happy foraging ground for the roots of the plants you are growing.

The range of mulching materials runs from organic materials like straw, hay, grass clippings, leaves and peat moss, to mineral like crushed rock or stones for permanently planted borders of shrubs. Those of us who mulch our gardens and beds on an annual basis always find that many materials are readily available, such as the organic ones. Most everyone has access to grass clippings or straw, or by storing last fall's leaves in big plastic bags. Pine needles or shredded newspaper also can be used between rows of vegetables.

One of the nice things about mulching materials is that they are plowed back into the soil each fall when the garden is put to bed for the winter, and those materials serve still another purpose by providing food for earthworms and by adding certain trace minerals for next year's crops. In the near term, mulch saves a lot of mid-summer



Kay Melia
• The Gardener

labor by stopping the weeds from growing. But probably the most important reason for mulching is to keep the garden soil surface cool and moist.

My favorite mulch is leaves. I use 15 to 20 big bags of them every single summer. Obviously, I need to bag up the leaves in the fall of the year when friends are busily raking and otherwise gathering them off their lawns. If there happen to be a few grass clippings mixed in with the leaves then so much the better. I plant my potatoes in double rows, so it's easy to add the leaves each year when the soil warms up and the vines themselves prevent the leaves from blowing away.

Despite the many advantages of using mulch in the garden, we must remember to wait until the soil has sufficiently warmed before covering it with any of the mulching materials. Warm weather crops such as tomatoes, melons, cucumbers and squash should not be mulched until soil temperatures reach the 60 to 70 degree range. That would be about now. Whatever materials you can get your hands on should be added in large amounts to your garden crops now. Not only will the crops thank you for your thoughtfulness but so will your water bill.

VFW Auxiliary

The Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary met Wednesday at the Post home with President Peggy Ohlroge presiding.

Opening prayer and patriotic instructions were followed by the flag salute and the prisoner of war - missing in action prayer.

Post Commander Paul Ohlroge showed a plaque and flag given to the post by Manuel Rubio, a past post commander.

The plaque, with a picture of a U.S. military camp in Iraq on it, was in appreciation for all the post does for men and women in the service.

The flag was one that had been flown at Camp Adder at Tallil, Iraq, for Memorial Day services in honor of the Colby post, in May, 2009. Rubio served at the camp during operation Iraqi Freedom. The flag and plaque will be on display at the Post home.

Minutes were read and approved and treasurer's report heard.

The veterans and family support chairman reported two boxes of coupons had been sent to the military base in Turkey.

Patriotism reported flags had been given to Puddle Duck School and to a Colby couple.

Officers for 2010-2011 were installed.

Corrections

The photo caption on Page 1 of the Wednesday, June 9, edition of the *Colby Free Press* misidentified the man operating a tractor engine. He is Keith Kuhn of Hoxie. This was an editing error.

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The *Colby Free Press* wants to maintain an accurate record of our town. Please report any error or lack of clarity in a news story to us at 462-3963.

Donations were allowed for the Colby Theater for free summer movies for kids, Colby Swim Club, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Hospice, Special Olympics, girls fast-pitch ball, Santa City and Relay for Life.

The publicity chairman reported that the May meeting had been published in the *Colby Free Press*.

National home prayer was offered and the meeting closed with ritual prayer.

Next meeting will be at 5 p.m. on July 14 at the post home.

- Hazel Duffey



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Television tours to read at libraries

Smoky Hills Public Television's Education Department is traveling to public libraries across central and western Kansas to read stories and books to kids this summer.

Leona Breeden, educational director at the station, says the seventh annual Share-A-Story program is free and a great summer activity for kids 2 to 7.

"Research shows that children who are read to 20 minutes each day are more successful in school," she noted. "Reading aloud introduces the patterns of language and develops vocabulary."

The schedule for this month includes stops in Goodland at 11 a.m. (Central Time) Tuesday, June 22 and in Oakley at 10 a.m. Tuesday, June 29.

Breeden will conduct each 45-minute program, which includes a short video clip from a PBS children's television program, reading a related book and an activity. Each child will receive a copy of the book "Commotion in the Ocean" by Giles Andreae with illustrations by David Wojtowycz.

Smoky Hills Public Television began Share A Story in 2003 in conjunction with PBS Kids' national program to raise awareness of the connection between reading aloud to children and development of literacy skills.

For information or to schedule an event, contact Breeden (800) 337-4788 or at lbreeden@shptv.org.

The City of COLBY

EQUIPMENT FOR SALE

The City of Colby, Kansas, will accept sealed bids on the following item:

Caterpillar 3306 Motor, 175 HP Diesel, Serial #66D23637

Unit has an attached Caterpillar PTO; includes one battery and one battery charger. Bids must be in a sealed envelope, marked "Caterpillar Motor Bid" and received in the office of the City Clerk, 585 North Franklin Ave., Colby, KS 67701 before 2:00 P.M. on Tuesday, June 29, 2010. Equipment can be viewed at the Public Works Department, 195 North Sterling Ave., Colby, and a demonstration of the engine will be on June 24, 2010 at 9:30 a.m. The equipment is being sold "As Is" with no expressed or implied warranties. The City reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive informalities in bid proposals. Questions can be addressed to Chris Bieker at 785-460-4420.

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