

obituaries

Jeffrey D. Hartwell

Jeffrey D. Hartwell, 49, Colby, a veteran stock car driver at area tracks, died Friday, Aug. 24, 2007, at the University of Colorado Hospital in Aurora.

He was born March 25, 1958, to Ralph and Greta (Crouch) Hartwell in Cut Bank, Mont., and married Irene Maier on Nov. 20, 1993.

Mr. Hartwell was sales service manager for Corrosion D.C. Inc. oil drilling company based in Great Bend. He drove car 23X in the modified division at area tracks. He was a big fan of racing. He also was a leader for Cub Scouts and coached soccer and football.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Survivors include his wife, of the home; a son Chase A. Hartwell of the home; two daughters, Kayla K. (James) Morris of Palco and Jordan D. Hartwell of the home; his step-mother, Jody Hartwell of Colby; four brothers, Douglas (Becky)

Gard of Kevin, Mont., William Gard of Aspen, Colo., Dan Gard of Loring, Mont., and Don Wright of Harrisville, Utah; three sisters, Penny (Kevin) Keegan of Whitefish, Mont., Claudia Hill of Tulsa, and his twin, Donna Weaver of Willard, Utah.; and one granddaughter.

Visitation will be from 1 to 7 p.m. (Mountain Time) today, Tuesday, Aug. 28, 2007, at the Kersenbrock Chapel in Colby. A vigil and rosary will be at 6 p.m. at the chapel. Services will be at 9:30 a.m. (Mountain Time) Wednesday, Aug. 29, 2007, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 1065 W. Fifth, Colby, with Father Dana Clark officiating, and burial in Sacred Heart Cemetery, Colby.

Memorials for his children's education fund can be sent to Kersenbrock Funeral Chapel, 745 W. Country Club Dr., Colby, Kan. 67701.

Marian L. Howland

Marian Lee Howland, 80, a retired cook for the Cheylin School District in Bird City, died on Saturday, Aug. 18, 2007, at Memorial Hospital in Colorado Springs.

She was born on Oct. 20, 1926, to Glenn and Laura (Fleming) Area and was raised on a ranch in northeast Decatur County. She attended country school through the eighth grade and graduated from Decatur Community High School in 1944. She worked after high school at the Oberlin Title Co., was a telephone operator for a year in Manhattan and for the AAA office in Oberlin.

She married John William Howland from Norcatur on Dec. 5, 1947. They lived in Norcatur, Denver, Colby and moved to Bird City in 1959. She was a cook for the schools for 40 years and enjoyed sewing, dancing and working in her

yard.

Preceding her in death was her husband, a son Johnny, grandson Gage Roesner, two infant grandsons and a brother, Harold Area.

Survivors include her twin sister, Marie McConnell, Idaho Falls, Idaho; a son, Jim (Karen) Howland of Ellis; four daughters, Jan (Royce) Rambat of Bird City, Joan (Kent) Banister of McDonald, Jacky (Mark) Roesener of McDonald, and Julie (Eddie) Brunk of St. Francis; 16 grandchildren; and five great grandchildren.

Services were Friday, Aug. 24, 2007, at the Wesleyan Community Church in Bird City, with burial in the Bird City Cemetery. Memorials may be sent to Knodel Funeral Home, 202 S. Benton, St. Francis. 67756.

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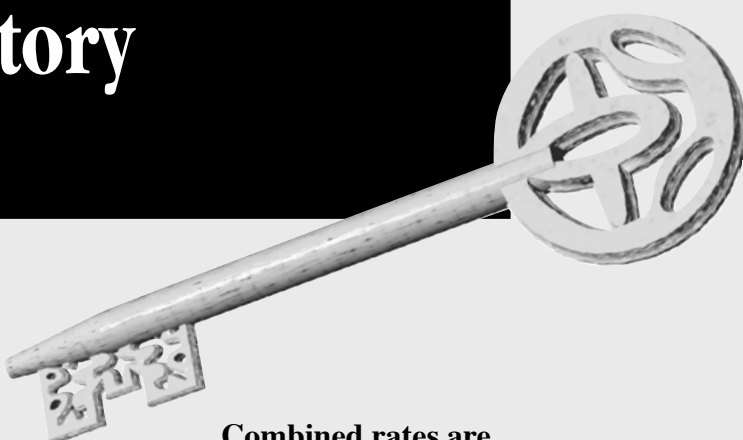
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