

# Obituaries

## Walter R. Anderson

Funeral services are pending for Walter R. Anderson, 81, of Oberlin, who died Monday in Oberlin. He was born at Fort Collins, Colo., and worked for 32 years for the Rural Electric Association. Survivors include his wife, Verna Mae Anderson, Oberlin; two sons, Bill and Debra Anderson, Topeka, and Fred Anderson, Oberlin; a daughter, Melanie Anderson, Oberlin; and five grandchildren. Pauls Funeral Home of Oberlin is in charge of arrangements. A complete obituary will be carried next week.

## Samuel D. Ater

Samuel D. Ater, 42, son of former Oberlin residents Don and Pat (Sanders) Ater, died April 1, 2004, at Pueblo, Colo., following a brief illness. He was born May 22, 1961, in Colorado Springs. He had been making his home in Pueblo. Survivors include his parents; a sister, Leslie and Roger Stagner; a niece, Annessa Stagner, and a nephew, Bronson Stagner, all of Lamar, Colo.; uncles and aunts, Bill and June Ater, Burleson, Texas; and Fred and Connie Reith, Chico, Calif.; cousins, Bill Jr. and Kathi Ater; Michel and Angela Ater; Phillip and Kathy Ater; Jerry and Sylvia Reith; Tom Reith; Rick and Sylvia Reith and David and Joni Reith. He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Harry and Dorothy Ater, and Cleve and Estelle Sanders; and a cousin, Patrick Ater. A private family burial will be held at Fairmount Cemetery. A memorial was established to the Lamar First Baptist Church. Contributions may be sent to Peacock Funeral Home of Lamar.

## Myra M. Frohardt

Myra M. Frohardt, 89, a 1932 graduate of Decatur Community High School, died March 19, 2004, at Newton, Iowa. She was born March 31, 1914, in Oberlin, the daughter of Forrest and Susan (Landau) Redman. She graduated with a Bachelor of Music Degree from Northwestern University in 1936. She married Dr. Edwin Frohardt on June 14, 1936. As a minister's wife, she dedicated her life to the church and her family. She and her husband served seven Methodist churches in Iowa, the last in Newton, Iowa, where they retired in 1974. Survivors include a son, Paul and Joan Frohardt, Newton, Iowa; a daughter, Susanne and Bob Dodder, Parker, Colo.; a sister-in-law, Helen Redman, Wichita; four grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband and her brother, Robert Redman.

## Eileene Hixon

Eileene Hixon, 88, a native of Norcat, died March 28, 2004, at the Andbe Home in Norton. She was born April 9, 1915, at Norcat, the daughter of Lonnie G. and Irena (Highbee) Brooks. She attended school at Clayton and Norcat and graduated from Decatur Community High School in Oberlin in 1932. She taught school for four years in Decatur County. She moved to Norton in 1937, where she worked at the Serv-U-Well; Duckwalls; Cottage Style Shop; Manning Office Supply and Norton City offices. She married Ross Hixon on Jan. 2, 1938. Survivors include two daughters, Beverly and Ed Morgan, San Antonio; and Barbara Trumpp, Phoenix; five granddaughters; and five great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; and five brothers and sisters. Graveside services were held Thursday morning at the Norcat Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Norcat Cemetery Fund, Andbe Home, or the Diabetes Association. Contributions may be sent to Enfield Funeral Home, 215 W. Main, Norton, Kan., 67654.

## Alvin Jay Jording

Alvin Jay Jording, 90, a retired Kansas-Nebraska Natural Gas Company employee, died April 1, 2004, at Cedar Living Center in Oberlin. He was born March 31, 1914, in Palmer, the son of John and Mary (Dageforde) Jording. His family moved to a farm near Traer when he was three and he lived there until he was a young man. He attended school in Traer. He married Fern Towery on Nov.

8, 1935, in Norton. They made their home on a farm 12 miles east of Oberlin before moving to Denver for a year. After returning to Oberlin in 1949, he worked for the Kansas Nebraska Natural Gas Company until retiring in 1976. He was a cemetery sexton for nine years, caring for the Oberlin and St. John's Cemeteries. He also served with the Civilian Conservation Corps in Bemidje, Minn. He was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith and was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church, where he served on the Board of Trustees. Survivors include his wife, Fern of the home; a son, Clayton, Medford, Ore.; a daughter, Marjorie and Philip Law, Lakewood, Colo.; a brother, Wilbert Jording, Dayton, Wash.; two brothers-in-law, Bob Kelley, Marquette, and Doyle Fredrickson, Wichita; two sisters, Esther Hoffbauer, Toppenish, Wash.; and Mildred Cochran, Oberlin; a sister-in-law, Esther Jording, Salina; eight grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and one step-great-grandchild. He was preceded in death by his parents; infant son, Larry; son, Duane Jording; daughter-in-law, Janice Jording; brothers, Henry, Arnold, Leonard, Robert and Riley Jording; and sisters, Bertha Kelley and Joan Fredrickson. Funeral services were held Monday morning at St. John's Lutheran Church in Oberlin. The Rev. Don White officiated and burial was in the Oberlin Cemetery. Memorials were established to the church or Decatur County Summer Recreation program. Contributions may be sent to Pauls Funeral Home, 121 N. Penn, Oberlin, Kan., 67749.

## Rita M. Martin

Rita M. Martin, 76, mother of Ruth Wolfram of Oberlin, died March 18, 2004, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. She was born Sept. 7, 1927, in Dresden, the daughter of Frank and Mary (Heim) Meitl. She married Jerome Martin on Nov. 22, 1949, in Leoville and they had lived in Colby since that time. Survivors include her husband, Jerome, of the home; four sons, Joseph Martin, Mountain Home, Idaho; John Martin, North Pole, Alaska; Robert Martin, Conifer, Colo.; and Leroy Martin, Castle Rock, Colo.; four daughters, Kathleen Martin, Hays; Ruth Wolfram, Oberlin; Carol Martin, Centennial, Colo.; and Virginia Carver, Colby; two sisters, Roselia Stephens, Jennings; and Helen Kruse, Hudson, Colo.; 17 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Services were held March 22, 2004, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Colby. Burial was in the church cemetery. Memorials are suggested to the church. Contributions may be sent to Harrison Chapel, 190 S. Franklin Ave., Colby, Kan., 67701.

## Loretta H. Woodall

Loretta H. Woodall, 76, a Southwestern Bell Telephone employee for 25 years, died March 30, 2004, in Colby. She was born July 19, 1927, in Sheridan County, the daughter of Bernard and Barbara (Geisinger) Kruse. Survivors include her husband, James W., Colby; seven sons, Jim, Chris, Gary and Rick, Colby; Kevin, Topeka; and Ron and Mike, Rocklin, Calif.; four daughters, Marilyn Siruta, Midland, Texas; Yvonne Shoff, Topeka; Jolene Sumner, Abilene; and Mindy Curry, Levant; a brother, Joe Kruse, Selden; three sisters, Germaine Weis, Dresden; and Florence Zodrow and Mary Ann Zodrow, both of Leoville; 25 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents. Funeral services were held Friday morning at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Colby. Burial was in the church cemetery. Memorials may be made to Sacred Heart School or Hospice Services. Contributions may be sent to Kersenk Funeral Chapel, 745 S. Country Club, Colby, Kan., 67701.

## Wilfred J. Marx

Wilfred J. Marx, 89, a retired farmer in the Studley area in Sheridan County, died Monday, April 5, 2004, at the Dawson Place Nursing Home in Hill City. He was born April 28, 1914, in Nashville, Kan., the son of Joe and Thesia Marx. He was reared at Densmore, where he attended school. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He married Agnes A. Vahling on April 9, 1947, and they made their home on a farm north of Studley. He was a member of St. Joseph Catho-

lic Church in New Almelo, and was a lifetime member of the Disabled American Veterans. Survivors include his wife, Agnes, of Morland; two sons, Robert and Doris Marx, Clayton; and Kenny Marx, Hill City; two daughters, Doris Shane, Salina; and Rita and Dennis Orborny, Salina; and eight grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents and a half-sister. Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday at the church in New Almelo. The Rev. Vincent Thu Laing and the Rev. Stan Chapin will officiate. Burial will be at the church cemetery. A memorial was established to the church. Contributions may be sent to Pauls Funeral Home, 121 N. Penn, Oberlin, Kan., 67749.

## John C. Rogers

John C. Rogers, 79, a native of Rexford, died April 3, 2004, at his home in Federal Heights, Colo. He was born Oct. 19, 1924, on a farm northeast of Rexford, the son of Ewila E. and Alma V. (Holm) Rogers. He was reared in the Rexford area and attended grade school and high school in Rexford. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He married Lavina Pauls on May 23, 1950, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Selden, in a triple wedding with two of her sisters. Survivors include his children, Denise and Bryon Smith, Shanghai, China; Ginger and Rick Jensen, Justin, Texas; Greg and Cindy Rogers, Thornton, Colo.; Renita and Jim Gunther, Arvada, Colo.; Mike Rogers, Estes Park, Colo.; Jeanette and Phil Hensley, and Tim and Susan Rogers, Arvada, Colo.; a sister, Mildred Thayer, New York, N.Y.; 17 grandchildren and one great-grandchild. He was preceded in death by his parents; a son, David Rogers; one granddaughter; and four siblings, Stanley Rogers, Ruby Savage, Helen Holman and Pauline Johnson. A graveside service will be held at 1 p.m. today at the Selden Cemetery with the Rev. George Kuchvelikkakam officiating. Memorial services will be held at 4 p.m. on Friday at the Thornton Senior Center in Thornton, Colo. Pauls Funeral Home, Oberlin-Selden, is in charge of local arrangements.

## Markets

**April 5, 2004 closing markets**  
Wheat, \$3.80 bushel  
Milo, \$5.26 hnd weight  
Corn, \$3.12 bushel  
Soybeans, \$9.64 bushel  
Sunflowers, \$12.50 bushel

# From the Record

## Courthouse

These transactions were taken from the records in the offices of the Decatur County court clerk, sheriff and register of deeds:  
**DISTRICT COURT**  
**Traffic**  
March 8: Brian Welch, Oberlin, illegal plate, \$70.  
March 10: Daniel Ring, Neola, Iowa., speeding 77, \$102; Troy Johnson, Clay Center, speeding 80, \$120.  
March 22: Georgiana Nuss, Colorado Springs, speeding 81, \$136; Douglas Jarnagin, Colby, speeding 82, \$132.  
**JAIL BOOKINGS**  
These persons were booked into the Decatur County Jail recently:  
Tim Lines, 49, McCook, driving under suspension, Red Willow County.  
April Jauken, 23, Lincoln, Neb., driving under the influence, Red Willow County.  
**SHERIFF'S BLOTTER**  
These calls were reported by the Decatur County Sheriff's Office last week:  
• Received a criminal damage report around 3:15 a.m. Monday

morning from Jennings. Someone took half of the stone out in front of the Jennings School that has the school name on it. The suspects were in a red pickup with black trim. The stone hasn't been found yet.  
• Received a report of a van weaving coming out of McCook on U.S. 83 around noon on Saturday. Under-sheriff Michael French said he stopped the car and it was a van full of workers from a nursery in McCook heading back to Mississippi. He said the driver checked out OK.  
• Worked an accident about 1:10 p.m. Saturday on U.S. 83 outside the Oberlin Airport. Richard Grafel was driving a 1999 Chevy pick-up northbound and turned into the airport access road. Joseph Throgmorton, 27, from Minot, N.D., ran into the back of the truck with a 2001 Chevy pick-up. There was no ticket given.  
• Took a transient to the Sheridan County line around 4:30 p.m. on Friday.  
• Received a call on a suspicious vehicle at a liquor store in Oberlin around 8:20 p.m. last Wednesday. The vehicle was seen behind the school in town by city officers. The 1981 Chevy Caprice station wagon was spotted a mile north of the

Dresden Cemetery and stopped for speeding. Braden Kleppe, 17, Jennings, received a ticket for speeding, no driver's license in possession and defective tag lamp. There was sealed alcohol in the vehicle. The passenger David Clovis, 21, had alcohol in the car, but is of age and it was sealed.  
• Arrested Terry Shearer, 36, around 9:30 a.m. Friday in the 2000 block of S. Buffalo on active warrants from Phillips, Saline and Ellis counties for failure to appear in court. Mr. Shearer was held in the Decatur County Jail until he was picked up by Phillips County officers.  
**AMBULANCE CALLS**  
These calls were reported last week by the Decatur County ambulance crew:  
March 29: 3:41 p.m., pick up flight crew, transport to Decatur County Hospital and return to airport.  
March 30: 6:08 p.m., medical, S. East to Decatur County Hospital.  
Last Wednesday: 1:01 p.m., medical, Herndon to Decatur County Hospital; 1:06 p.m., medical, Jennings to Sheridan County Hospital, Hoxie.

## Town Crier

**Today:** Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 p.m., ambulance barn.  
**Friday:** No school, Easter break. The Oberlin Business Alliance fish and burger fry, starting at 11 a.m., in front of Stanley Hardware.  
Good Friday service, 12:10 p.m., Oberlin Evangelical Covenant Church, sponsored by Decatur County Ministerial Association.  
**Saturday:** Crusaders Fospel program, 7 p.m., Gateway.  
**Sunday:** Teens for Christ, 6-8 p.m.  
**Monday:** No school, Easter break.

Decatur County Museum rummage sale, 1-5 p.m., Bohemian Hall.  
**Monday-Friday:** 1 p.m. at Golden Age Center. Monday, pinochle; Tuesday, pitch; Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, pinochle. Last Thursday of month, senior bridge, open. Quilting, puzzles, games daily.  
A representative of the Northwest Local Environmental Protection

Group will be at the Health Department once a month for free well evaluation, including testing water for bacteria and nitrates. For details call (785) 475-8118.

## Corrections

In the March 31 edition of *The Oberlin Herald*, a story said Elton Gillespie Jr. hit his wife in the face with a tin. The sheriff's department said he actually hit her while arguing over the cooking tin. His bond was \$5,000, not \$500. This was a reporter's error.  
★ ★ ★ ★ ★  
A story in the Working Women's section in the March 31 edition of *The Oberlin Herald*, said that artist Anna Shaw did not have a teaching certificate but had a college degree. Mrs. Shaw took teaching courses and had a certificate for many years but let it lapse when her children were young and she wasn't teaching. The mistake was a reporting error.  
★ ★ ★ ★ ★  
The Oberlin Herald will correct or clarify any mistake or misunderstanding in a news story. Please call our office at 475-2206 to report errors. We believe that news stories should be fair and factual, and appreciate your calling to our attention any failure to live up to this standard.

## Markets

**April 5, 2004 closing markets**  
Wheat, \$3.80 bushel  
Milo, \$5.26 hnd weight  
Corn, \$3.12 bushel  
Soybeans, \$9.64 bushel  
Sunflowers, \$12.50 bushel

# WEATHER

**Decatur County Forecast for April 6<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>** (National Weather Service)  
(Information below is for period ending Mon. 7 a.m. Maximum temperature is for previous day.)

Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon
73/42	65/35	68/38	60/31	53/28	50/30	58/35
<b>Normal High</b> 60				<b>Sunrise</b> 7:08 to 7:18am		
<b>Normal Low</b> 30				<b>Sunset</b> 8:12 to 8:18pm		

The cut-off low over the Southwest US finally moves east across Texas today. A cool front will move through tonight and early tomorrow possibly triggering an isolated storm or two. High pressure clears skies tomorrow afternoon and Thursday. Computers continue to advertise a trough over the Midwest Friday and through the Easter weekend. If so temperatures will definitely be colder and chance for precipitation should increase, but we have been deceived before.

www.decisionweather.com  
Forecast brought to you by Miller Aviation in Norton  
"Call 1-866-SKY-EYES for a recorded forecast"  
Copyright © 2004 Decision Weather, Inc.

**Sunflower Cinema**  
220 N. Penn • Oberlin  
785-475-3374

Special Showing April 2 through 10

**Passion of the Christ**  
Rated R  
Parental Supervision Required

Sun., Apr. 4 All other showings  
2 p.m. - Matinee will be 7 p.m.  
Closed Easter Sunday

Ticket Price: \$3<sup>00</sup>  
To Volunteer call: 785-475-2824

This advertisement sponsored by: **THE OBERLIN HERALD**

**American Profile**  
Celebrating Hometown Life  
See American Profile magazine in this week's issue of

**THE OBERLIN HERALD**  
(available in local area only)

Brought to you by  
The Herald and

"Neighbors helping neighbors"

**FIRST NATIONAL BANK**  
101 N. Penn, Oberlin, KS 475-3011