

THE OBERLIN HERALD

Obituaries

Garold 'Gary' Pryor
Garold "Gary" Pryor, 64, Prairie Village, a former Oberlin resident, died at St. Luke's Medical Center on March 15, 2009.



Gary Pryor

He was born Oct. 1, 1944, in Oberlin, the son of William and Frances (Schrader) Pryor. He graduated from Abilene High School and the University of Kansas. He married his high school sweetheart, Brenda Haugh, in 1963. He had worked with United Missouri Bank in commercial credit.

Survivors include his wife of 45 years, Brenda; daughters Pam, Jennifer and Jeremy Noland and Alison, and two grandchildren.

A visitation was held March 20, 2009, at the Pilgrim Chapel, 3807 Gillham Road, Kansas City, Mo. Donations can be made in memory to the St. Luke's Hospital Foundation, Attn: Heart Transplant Fund, 800 West 47th Street, Kansas City, Mo., 64112.

Condolences may be shared with the family at www.kccremation.com or sent to Jim Hawkins, Cremation Society of Kansas and Missouri, 8837 Roe Ave., Prairie Village, Kan., 66207, or call (913) 383-9888.

Loren W. Chapman
Loren William Chapman, 85, a former pastor at the Immanuel United Church of Christ in Herndon, died March 16, 2009, at Hays.

He was born May 13, 1923, in rural Smith Center, the son of Verne and Mary Chapman. He was attending Seattle Pacific College in Seattle, Wash., majoring in electrical engineering when Pearl Harbor occurred. He enlisted in the Army Air Corps., on Oct. 27, 1942, and was assigned to the 36th Fighter Squadron in the Asiatic Pacific Theater of Operations. His major work was as flight chief in charge of maintenance and operation of aircraft radio equipment on the P38 fighter planes. He attained the rank of Staff Sergeant.

After the war he went into partnership with his brother and operated the family farm in Smith County for 16 years.

He married Verona Fishel on June 28, 1953, at Cowles, Neb. He then entered the ministry in the United Methodist Church. He graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1970 from Fort Hays State University, then taught seventh grade Social Studies in Ellis, Kan., for a year before enrolling at Iliff School of

Theology in Denver, Colo., where he received a Master of Divinity degree in 1974.

He spent the next 25 years serving churches across Western Kansas until retiring in Hays in 1987. Loren served three years as an Associate Pastor at Hays United Methodist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Verona, of the home; two daughters, Gwenne and Paul, Enid, Okla., and Donna and Dennis, McCook; a son, Tom and Cheri, Grand Island, Neb.; a sister, Vera Wick, Hays; seven grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a son, David; a brother, LeRoy; and two sisters, Ruth and Ethel.

Services were held at Hays United Methodist Church on Monday. Burial was in the Fairview Cemetery at Smith Center.

Memorials may be sent to United Methodist Camp Lakeside, in care of Hays Memorial Chapel, 20th and Pine, Hays, Kan., 67601.

Robert D. Fiser
Robert D. Fiser, 75, a teacher, principal and coach at the Norcat Rural High School in 1942. He attended Kansas State University and enlisted in the U.S. Air Corps in 1943, serving as a navigator in World War II.

He married his high school sweetheart, Bonnie Wickham, in November 1944. After his retirement in 2003, the couple moved to Manhattan.

Survivors include his wife, Bonnie, of the home; three sons, Barney and Phyllis Rapp, Clay Center; Bill and Sandi Rapp, and Ben and Yvonne Rapp, Lawrence; a daughter, Robin and Eric Norris, Manhattan; 12 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Inurnment will be held at a later date at the Norcat Cemetery.

Penwell Gabel Herington Chapel was in charge of arrangements.

Suggested memorials include the Norcat Rural Highway Fund and Real Life Church, Manhattan, Kan. Contributions may be sent to Bonnie Rapp, 2507 Meade Circle, Manhattan, Kan., 66502.

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Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Deborah and Tim Rhine, Mahaska; a son, Frank and Donna Fiser, Fort Collins, Colo.; four grandchildren; two sisters, Irene and Kenneth Duensing, Fairbury, Neb.; and Betty Kennedy, Denver. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Services were held March 7, 2009, at the Cuba Presbyterian Church in Cuba with the Rev. Sally White and the Rev. Deb Hadachek officiating. Inurnment was in the National Cemetery, rural Narka.

Memorials are suggested to the Republic County Long Term Care facility or the Cuba Senior Citizens Center. Condolences will reach Elma R. Fiser at P.O. Box 74, Cuba, Kan., 66940-0074.

Robert F. Rapp
Robert F. (Bob) Rapp, 84, owner of Norcat Grain for 52 years, died Thursday, March 12, 2009, in Manhattan.

He was born Nov. 3, 1924, in Norton, the son of Clyde and Kate (Rundle) Rapp. He grew up in Norcat, graduating from Norcat Rural High School in 1942. He attended Kansas State University and enlisted in the U.S. Air Corps in 1943, serving as a navigator in World War II.

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Courthouse

These transactions were taken from the records in the offices of the Decatur County court clerk, sheriff and register of deeds:

DISTRICT COURT Marriage Licenses
March 17: Lucas Allen Coryell, Oberlin, and Brenda Renee Harding, Glenwood Springs, Colo.

Divorces
March 12: Brian D. Hileman and Stacey Hileman, both of Oberlin.

Limited Actions
Flying S Partnership vs. Verl Cook, \$20,000, plus costs and interests.

Decatur Health Systems vs. Bruce King, \$545, plus costs and interests.

Decatur Health Systems vs. Dawn R. Louderback a/k/a Dawn R. Walker, \$2,331, plus costs and interests.

Decatur Health Systems vs. Terry L. and Leslie Urban, \$781, plus costs and interests.

JAIL BOOKINGS
The following were booked into the Decatur County Jail:
March 17: Randy Roberts, 53, Norton, driving under influence,

Oberlin Police Department.
Ryan Sepler, 23, McCook, driving under influence, Red Willow County Sheriff's Office.

REGISTER OF DEEDS
Rob R. and Loretta L. McFee to Phillip Erickson, W25' of Lot 10 and E42' of Lot 9, Block 8, Summit Addition to the City of Oberlin.

Sauvage Gas Service Inc., a Nebraska corporation, to Rob R. and Loretta L. McFee, S90' of W36' of Lot 10, Block 7, Summit Addition to the town, now city, of Oberlin.

Marilyn P. Brandhorst to Marilyn P. Brandhorst Revocable Trust, all interest in NE/4 of Sec. 9, T2S, R29W.

Lila M. Wills, quit claim to Leigh Davis, part of Lot 7, block 14, original town of Oberlin.

First Oberlin Rentals LLC, to Obed Saint Louis, Lots 4 and 5, Block 2; all of Block 4; all of block 5, except E 60'; all of Block 6, except Lot 5; and all of Block 7, all located in Wenger Addition to the City of Oberlin.

City Hall POLICE BLOTTER
The Oberlin Police Department

worked these calls:
• At 3:36 p.m. Monday, March 16, Bruce King, 22, slid into the side of an embankment in his 1996 Chevy Blazer. Mr. King was driving east on Sappa Street when he turned south on Chandler Avenue going 30 to 35 miles an hour. The Blazer started to go sideways and hit an embankment on the east side of the road. Officer Scott Zeigler happened to be on Chandler and saw the whole thing, recording it on his video camera, said Chief Wade Lockhart.

Mr. King received a ticket for reckless driving and for not wearing a seat belt. The three passengers in the vehicle, Brentnay Bradley, 16; Royal Fisher, 19; and Lacy Miskel, 15, all got tickets for not wearing seat belts.

• At 2:45 p.m. on Tuesday, March 17, Jodie Wenger, 45, backed from a parking spot behind the Oberlin Clinic in her 1995 Ford Explorer and hit a 1993 Ford driven by Max Hafner, 76. There was no ticket given.

• Sometime on Friday, someone hit Abby Ream's 2008 Chevy Malibu parked at 206 N. Beaver. There was damage to the driver's-side front fender.

county Health Department once a month for free well evaluations, including testing water for bacteria and nitrates. For details, call 475-8118.

The Decatur County Food Pantry is open from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday at the United Church, 109 N. Griffith. Gifts of cash, nonperishable food and household items are always needed.

Monday-Friday: At 1 p.m. at the Golden Age Center, Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, pinochle; Tuesday, pitch; third Thursday of the month, senior bridge, open. Quilting, puzzles, games daily.

SENIOR MENU
Senior lunch at the Golden Age Center, 217 N. Penn, weekdays at 11:30 a.m.

Today: shepherd's pie, green-bean casserole, bread, strawberries and bananas.

Thursday: oven baked chicken, cole slaw, baked beans, bread, applesauce.

Friday: cook's choice entree, spinach salad, corn, bread, cherry crisp.

Monday: Swiss steak with tomatoes, California-blend vegetables, pears, bread, cook's choice complement.

Tuesday: ham and beans, orange-pineapple salad, cornbread, brownie.

Town Crier

Today: FFA judging, 8 a.m., at Oakley.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 p.m., ambulance barn.

Friday: Chamber Coffee Hour, 9 to 11 a.m., Coffee, Tea and Me.

Saturday: Regional Music Contest, all day, here.

Fourth annual Alif Be Khe Trivia Night, 7 p.m., Oberlin American Legion. Call Mary Jo Lohofener, 475-2019, or Amanda Grafel, 475-3489, to register teams.

Sunday: "Oberlin Tea Party" political rally at Centennial Park gazebo, 2 p.m.

Tons for Christ, 6-8 p.m.

Monday: Siren test, 10 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Oberlin Elementary School carnival, 5:30 to 8 p.m.

Next Wednesday: Last Indian Raid Museum coffee hour, 9 a.m. to noon.

Northwest Kansas League speech, all day, at Smith Center.

Tuesday: A representative of the Northwest Local Environmental Protection Group will be at the

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Correction

A story about the pastors who will move here in April to serve the Oberlin Covenant Church in the March 18 issue of *The Oberlin Herald* gave their names as Chris and Sharon Johnson. It should have been Chris and Sharon Nelson. This was a reporter's error.

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WEATHER

Forecast

Today: partly sunny, with a high near 57. West wind 10 to 15 mph becoming south. **Tonight:** A slight chance of rain before 1 a.m., then a slight chance of rain and snow. Mostly cloudy with a low around 30. Southeast wind between 10 and 15 mph. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent.

Thursday: A chance of rain and snow before 1 p.m., then a chance of rain. Mostly cloudy and breezy, with a high near 44. Chance of precipitation is 30 percent.

Night: A chance of rain and snow before 1 a.m., then a chance of snow. Cloudy, with a low around 27. Chance of precipitation is 40 percent.

Friday: A 40 percent chance of snow. Cloudy, with a high near 37. **Night:** A 40 percent chance of snow. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 25.

Saturday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 48. **Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 26.

Sunday: Partly sunny, with a high near 54. **Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 30.

Monday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 52.

National Weather Service
(Information below for period ending 8 a.m.; maximum temperature for previous day.)

	Hi	Low	Precip.
March 16	68	23	0
March 17	81	25	0
March 18	78	27	0
March 19	60	32	0
March 20	63	37	0
March 21	67	36	0
March 22	74	36	0

Precipitation totals for the week, 0.00; for the month, Trace; for the year 0.60; one year ago, March 2008, 2.03
For 24-hour weather radio broadcast, tune scanner to 162.4 mhz.
By Melvin Martin - NOAA Cooperative Weather Observer.