

Obituaries

Lucille Rose Walz

June 25, 1929 - May 27, 2003

Lucille Rose Walz was born June 25, 1929, in Goodland, Kan., and died May 27, 2003, at her home after complications from heart surgery.

She was the daughter of Jesse P. and Trinidad Ortiz. She was baptized Oct. 21, 1929, in Hugo, Colo. She spent her childhood in Goodland and her adult life in St. Francis, Kan. She and Harvey Walz were united in marriage in Goodland and just celebrated their 56th anniversary on April 26, 2003.

They were blessed with three daughters, Sylvia and Michael Heller, Tulsa, Okla., Monica and Maurice Stramel, St. Francis, and Brenda Whately and Alan Lavender, Bartonsville, Texas. She is also survived by three granddaughters, Jennifer and William Brown, Paxico, Tiffany and David Cox, Ft. Wayne, Ind., Candi and Brent Rogers, McCook, Neb.

Lucille and Harvey waited 43 years for the first boy born to the family, great-grandson Jacob Brown, 13, followed by Spencer Michael Rogers, age 1.

Lucille worked at the Cheyenne County Hospital, Root Beer Drive-In, Riverside Recreation and the port of entry. Throughout the years she was deeply involved with Harvey's Welding and Sharpening - All Business and was well known throughout the tri-state area for conducting the Fireworks Bus business for over 30 years.

Her number 1 passion was the love she had for her family and their well-being. She was truly the epitome of a homemaker. She excelled in gardening, cooking, canning and quilting. Beyond that, she gave untingly to her community through her involvement with the SHARE program, preparing meals for others before Meals On Wheels existed. The St. Francis community depended on her to interpret for the migrant workers who came for work.

Preceding her in death were her parents, two sisters and one brother. Left to mourn her passing are sisters: Ruth Flax, Phoenix, Ariz., Terri Davis, Waynesboro, Ga., and Vickie Boling, Fort Worth, Texas, and one brother Louis Ortiz of Port Huengine, Calif.

Lucille modeled her life by her favorite quote: "Hope for the best and cope with the rest."

Funeral services were held May 30 at the First Baptist Church, St. Francis, with Pastor J.W. Glidewell officiating. Casket bearers were William Brown, Alan Lavender, David Cox, Brent Rogers, Larry Schield and Marvin Walz.

Interment was in the St. Francis Cemetery. Arrangements were by Knodel Funeral Home, St. Francis.

Esther N. Raile

Oct. 26, 1909 - May 30, 2003

Esther N. Raile, 93, Gering, Neb., died Friday, May 30, 2003, at Northfield Villa Medical Center in Gering. Her funeral service was held Monday, June 2, at Calvary Lutheran Church in Scottsbluff, Neb., with Pastors Nick and Leslie Striegel officiating. Graveside services were held Tuesday, June 3, at the St. Francis Cemetery in St. Francis with Pastor David Rossbach officiating. Memorials in her name may be made to the Calvary Lutheran Quilters.

Esther was born Oct. 26, 1909, in Cheyenne County, Kan., to Carl and Rosalie (Stedniz) Neitzel. She grew up and received her education in the St. Francis schools and graduated from high school there. Following her

graduation, she taught in country schools surrounding St. Francis. She then enrolled in the Mary Lanning Hospital Nurses Training program in Hastings, Neb., and earned her bachelor of science degree in nursing.

She then returned to St. Francis and worked as a registered nurse for Dr. T.J. Walz for many years. She married Ernest Raile in April of 1938 in Cheyenne County. In 1964, she returned to Hastings and worked there as a nurse for the Hastings Regional Center until her retirement in 1974. She stayed in Hastings until 1990 when she moved to Scottsbluff where she lived until moving to Northfield Villa in Gering in 2000.

She was a member of Calvary Lutheran Church in Scottsbluff.

She is survived by sons and daughters-in-law: Larry K. and Yon Raile, Denver, Colo., and Keith E. and Shirley Raile of Surprise, Ariz.; daughter Judith R. Walker of Scottsbluff, Neb.; grandchildren: Sherrie Chase, Larry Raile Jr., Gary Michael Raile, Greg Raile, Julie Richard, Lowell Fleenor and Larsen Fleenor; 18 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents and 12 brothers and sisters.

Opal P. Bills

Oct. 29, 1921 - May 23, 2003

Opal Pauline Kamla, daughter of Fred and Rosa (Wagner) Kamla, was born Oct. 29, 1921, in Cheyenne County, Kan.

Opal grew up on a farm, attended rural grade school and graduated from high school. She was baptized and confirmed in the Evangelical Lutheran Church.

She worked in Denver, Colo., and then moved to San Diego, Calif. There she met Harry Bills. They had one daughter.

Opal enjoyed cooking and sewing and going to family gatherings.

After a lengthy illness, she died at St. Anthony Hospital in Denver.

She leaves to mourn her daughter, Yvonne Bills of Denver; brothers Harold Kamla of Wray, Colo., and John (Maria) Kamla of Bird City; sisters Pearl (Carl) Englund, Louise (Melvin) Schlepp of Kanorado, Marie (Dale) Potthoff of Wiggins, Colo., plus nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, one sister Oma, one brother Sam, one sister-in-law France and one nephew Bryan.

Funeral services were May 28 at Fairmont Mortuary and interment was in Fairmont Cemetery in Denver.

James M. Bonnel

Feb. 26, 1927 - May 21, 2003

James M. Bonnel died at his rural Riverton, Wyo., home Wednesday morning, May 21, 2003, following a lengthy illness. He was 75.

Funeral services were held May 23 at the United Methodist Church of Riverton with the Reverend Earl Detwiler officiating. Interment followed at Mountain View Cemetery in Riverton.

James M. "Jim" Bonnel was born Feb. 26, 1927, in Lathem, Kan., to Theodore and Anna Nelson Bonnel.

He married Lila Hartman on Aug. 17, 1952, in Stull. They lived in St. Francis, Havre, Mont., and Greybull before settling near Riverton in 1961.

Mr. Bonnel's hobbies were politics, camping, hunting, fishing, guns and testing and identification of illegal drugs.

He served on the Riverton School Board, was a Boy Scout leader, coached and umpired softball, and was a volunteer policeman. He was often called as an expert witness in drug-related court cases.

He received a gun from the Wyoming Game and Fish Department in

recognition of his hunter safety instruction.

He completed his medical technician training at Washburn University in Topeka. He served in the Army Medical Corps during World War II on Okinawa.

Mr. Bonnel was employed as a lab technician at Wind River Medical Group for 23 years. Upon his retirement, he studied gun repair and opened a gun repair shop.

He taught hunter safety for many years. He was a certified gunsmith and a National Rifle Association certified firearms instructor.

He is survived by his wife; sons Buck Bonnel and wife, Genelle of Casper, Wyo., Tim Bonnel and wife, Jill of Blackfoot, Idaho; daughters Cindy Round and husband, Kevin of Little Rock, Ark., Candy McCue and husband, Ken of Riverton, Linda Stammers and husband, Dan of Cody, Penny Novotny of Riverton and Kristi Phillips and husband, Bill of Basin, Wyo.; grandchildren Jamie and Chad McCue, Milli and Sammi Stammers, Kati and Kelli Bonnel and Logan Phillips; and sister Marie Rieland of Kansas.

Mr. Bonnel was preceded in death by his parents, two sisters, four brothers and son-in-law, Fred Novotny.

Memorials may be made to the Little Wind Hospice in Riverton in care of the Davis Funeral Home, 2203 West Main Street, Riverton, WY 82501.

Janice (Schermerhorn) Wilkinson

April 2, 1940 - May 29, 2003

Janice (Schermerhorn) Wilkinson, 63, longtime resident of Sherman and Cheyenne counties, died Thursday, May 29, 2003, at her home in Goodland, Kan.

She was born April 2, 1940, in Goodland, the daughter of Dorothy (Meireis) and Nelson Schermerhorn. She graduated from high school in Goodland.

On Feb. 4, 1956, she and Vertie Bolyard were married. To this union, four children were born - Virginia, Doug, Kathy and Cindie.

On April 13, 1975, she and Lloyd "Bud" Wilkinson were married at the First Christian Church in Goodland. They were blessed with 28 years together.

For 30 years, she greeted her customers with a smile as a cashier at Anderson's Market in Bird City, and in Goodland, at the IGA grocery store, Grass Roots, and Dollar General.

Her memberships included the First Christian Church.

Preceding her in death were her parents and one brother Robert Schermerhorn.

Surviving family members include her husband, Bud Wilkinson of the home in Goodland; four children Virginia Fixsen of Amarillo, Texas; Doug Bolyard and his wife, Tami of Wilson, Texas; Kathy Weis and her husband, Glenn of Goodland; Cindie Yarger and her husband, Mike of Goodland; five grandchildren Crystal Bolyard, Dustin Nemechek, Angie Nemechek; Casey Bolyard, and Tiffany Fixen; one brother Jim Schermerhorn of Phoenix, Ariz.; and their dog BV and their cat Short.

The funeral services were held Monday, June 2, at Koons Chapel in Goodland, with Pastor Loren Strait officiating. Burial followed in the Goodland Cemetery.

Memorials may be designated to Hospice of Sherman County or to Northwest Kansas Animal Shelter, and may be left at or mailed to Koons Funeral Home, 211 North Main, Goodland, KS 67735-1555.



GIRL SCOUTS climbed the hill east of town to replace and line up the rocks to form a cross. After they were in place, they were painted white. This is a community service project that the scouts do.

Herald staff photo by Karen Krien

Occasions

Birthday club

The Ladies Birthday Club enjoyed dinner together Wednesday evening at the Windmill Restaurant.

Those present were Helen Peter, Aletha Murphy, Dorothy Schield, Wilma Lampe, Ilene Raile and Manette Henderson.

The occasion was to help Wilma celebrate her birthday.

Birthday coffee

A birthday coffee for Gladys Confer was held at the Village on Friday, May 30.

Those attending were Arlene Peter, Phyllis Bandel, Dorine Zimelman, Marie Holzwarth and Violet Cramer. Those unable to attend were Nina Raile, Dulcie Kite, Alma Zimelman, Ellen Raile and Anabelle Rieb.

Exercise class

The senior ladies exercise class all enjoyed sharing pizza together Thursday evening at the Pizza Hut and to celebrate Wilma's Lampe birthday.

Those present besides Wilma were Mavern Gienger, Bernice Zwegardt, Neva DeGood, Rachael Keller and ErvaGene DeAragon.

Land and Machinery

AUCTION

Approximately 1960+ Acres of Cheyenne Co. Kansas Cropland, CRP, Grass & Improvement

Monday, June 16, 2003

• 10 a.m. CT - BE ON TIME! Equipment Auction Location: St. Francis Salebarn, E. Hwy. 36, St. Francis

• 2 p.m. CT - Real Estate Auction Location: Riverside Recreation Dining Room, W. Hwy. 36, St. Francis

Sellers: Jerri Zwegardt & Link Zwegardt

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TRACT 1: Fabulous Home, Quonsets, Barn and 61.77 acres of Grassland in a Great Location 2 miles east of St. Francis, Kansas on Highway 36. This ranch style home is a rare find with 3,715 total square feet of living area. The main floors offers 3 bedrooms, 1 full bath, 3/4 bath, and 1/2 bath, large living room, dining and foyer area, and an entertainer's kitchen. The basement allows for an additional bedroom, 3/4 bath, sunken den, recreation room, hunter's library, and a large storage room. Additional extras to the home include utilities on the main floor, two newer central heat & a/c systems, two car attached garage, a newer maintenance free deck, and landscaping.

Other Improvements: 40' x 100' Quonset with drive through doors, 30' x 39' Quonset with concrete flooring and overhead storage, and 35' x 40' Barn with stalls, tack room.

Legal Description: A tract of Land in W/2SE/4 of 25-3-40, Includes Residence, Buildings, and Grassland.

Terms of Tract 1: 20% down day of sale with the balance to be due at closing on or before July 15, 2003 and possession to be on or before September 1, 2003.

Real Estate Taxes: 2002 Taxes: \$2,058.85. Taxes for 2003 will be prorated to the date of possession.

EQUIPMENT - MACHINERY - VEHICLES - LIVESTOCK EQUIPMENT - MISC. TOOLS

1992 - 8760 John Deere Tractor, 4WD, Quad Range Trans., Cab Air, 18.4 R 42 duals, 3500 hours, Bareback, Serial No. Rot SRD 3006537
1980 - 4640 John Deere Tractor, duals, Cab Air, triple hyd., 3 point, 4282+ hours, Serial No. 020074R w/Westendorf Loader w/ Grapple Fork.
Serial No. 1454; 2000 - Chevy 271 1500 Pickup, 3 door, Red, 55,700+ mi., Loaded, Super Clean; 1980 - Chevy tandem axle truck w/ 20' box & hoist, rollover tarp, 5 speed 2 speed transmission, 350 motor, 53,500+ miles; 1996 - John Deere 9400 Drills, 4-10", 12" spacing, hydraulic transports, markers, and hitch. Serial No. 9400H007403; Westfield Hydraulic Drill Fill Auger; 1994 - Krause 45' Tandem Disc, Serial No. 2122
Richardson Sunflower Sweeps - 9x5' with pickers. Serial No. 3697-049; Sunflower 26' Chisel, Model 2331. Serial No. 2393-001
Diamond D 18' Bumper pull stock trailer w/ full top, tandem axle; Polaris 500 Sportsman 4-Wheeler, 4x4, 230 miles. Serial No. 0055986
1998 Ariens EZRider 1648 Mower, 16 hp BS motor, 42" cut. Serial No. 000588; John Deere 145E 21" Self-Propelled Push Mower
Coleman Power Mate Air Compressor, 6.5 HP, 3 phase, Upright, Serial No. U2625568; Feeding Hayrack Trailer; Portable Creeper feeder; Stock Tank; 12 - Portable Pails; 2 - Cattle Dusters; Halters; Saddle; Dehorners; Viper Fence Charger; Mineral Feeders; Misc. Livestock Equipment; Sprayer on Pull Cart, 20 gal tank w/ 10' booms w/ Gas Motor & Pump; 1975 EZ Go Golf Cart & Charger; Shop Bench; Shelving; 500 gal. Diesel Tank w/ electric pump on trailer; Cutting Torch w/ gages hoses & cart; 2 wheel Rubbermaid Cart; 500 gal. Gas Tank on Stand; Craftsman 6" Bench; Grinder w/ Stand; Vice; Extension Cord; Craftsman Cross Saws; Black & Decker 3/8" Drill; Makita Hand Grinder; Crowbars & Pry Bars; Hack Saws; Scoop Shovels; Aluminum 4 wheeler ramps; Crescent wrenches; Log Chains; Hydraulic Jack; Chain Boomers; Extension Cords; Hammers; Pipe; Wrenches; End Wrenches; Misc. Tools

Tract Legal:

1) A Tract of Land in W/2SE/4 of 25-3-40, includes Residence, Buildings, and Grassland, 61.77 Grass Acres, \$2,058.85 - 2002 Taxes; 2) SW/4 of 25-3-42, less a tract - 149.2 Dryland/Cropland Acres, 123.7/43 Wheat Base/Yld., 17/101 Corn Base/Yld., 6.6/79 Gr. Sorg. Base/Yld., \$2,915.00 2003 Est. FSA-DCP Payments, \$539.64 2002 Taxes; 3) S/2 of 26-5-41 - 313.8 Dryland Cropland Acres, 156.9 Growing Wheat, 156.9 Growing Corn, 78/42 Wheat Base/Yld., 10.3/44 Gr. Sorg. Base/Yld., \$3,165.00 2003 Est. FSA-DCP Payments, \$989.16 2002 Taxes; 4) NW/4 of 5-5-39 - 156 Dryland Cropland Acres, 156 Growing Corn, 154.9/32 Wheat Base/Yld., \$2,191.00 2003 Est. FSA-DCP Payments, \$343.05 2002 Taxes; 5) NW/4 of 34-4-39 - 159.4 Dryland Cropland Acres, 159.4 Growing Wheat, 139.3/32 Wheat Base/Yld., \$1,970.00 2003 Est. FSA-DCP Payments, \$446.54 2002 Taxes; 6) E/2NE/4 of 17-3-41 (11 acres waste currently fenced w/ adjoining land) - 50.4 Dryland Cropland Acres, 18.6 CRP Acres, 25.5/33 Wheat Base/Yld., 7.2/44 Gr. Sorg. Base/Yld., 2.6/39 Barley Base/Yld., \$487.00 + \$465.00 CRP 2003 Est. FSA-DCP Payments, \$179.41 2002 Taxes; 7) S/2 & E/2NE/4 of 34-3-41 less a tract & S/2 of 35-3-41 - 330.2 Dryland Cropland Acres, 170.9 Growing Wheat, 385.8 Grass Acres, 267.2/36 Wheat Base/Yld., 21/88 Corn Base/Yld., 32.5/79 Gr. Sorg. Base/Yld., \$5,456.00 2003 Est. FSA-DCP Payments, \$1,265.63 2002 Taxes; 8) E/2 of 23-3-42 - 81.5 Dryland Cropland Acres, 81.5 Growing Wheat, 149 CRP Acres, 89.5 Grass Acres, 81.5/36 Wheat Base/Yld., \$1297.00 + \$4992.00 CRP 2003 Est. FSA-DCP Payments, \$685.75 2002 Taxes.

MANNER OF THE SALE: Real Estate will be auctioned in individual tracts only and will not be offered in any combination.

TERMS FOR REAL ESTATE AUCTION: 20% down day of sale with balance due at closing, on or before July 15, 2003. Personal and corporate checks are acceptable for the down payment with the final payment to be in certified funds. Bidding is not contingent upon survey, inspection, appraisal or financing. Financing, if necessary, needs to be arranged and approved prior to the auction. Announcements made day of sale shall take precedence over printed material.

ACCEPTANCE OF BIDS: Each successful bidder will be required to enter into a Western Auction & Real Estate, LLC Contract to Buy and Sell Real Estate immediately following the auction. Copies of these contracts will be available for review prior to the sale.

EVIDENCE OF TITLE: Seller(s) shall provide title insurance to the Buyer(s) in the amount of the purchase price, with the premium to be paid one-half by the Buyer(s) and one-half by the Seller(s). Title evidence shall be provided on sale day.

ACREAGES: Acreage figures are considered to be approximate and are from reliable sources based on (USDA) FSA figures. All FSA information is subject to change. FSA acres may not be the same as deeded acres.

FSA PAYMENTS: 2003 CRP payment will be payable to Seller(s). The remaining balance of CRP payments after 2003 shall be paid to Buyer(s). FSA payments for 2003: Seller(s) shall be entitled to receive 100% of all FSA payments associated with 2003 crop year except on the Southeast 1/4 of Tract of Tract 3 and all of Tract 4 which are planted to corn

POSSESSION & CROPS: On Tract 2-8: Possession shall be day of closing on grassland, summer fallow, corn acreages, and CRP. Possession of the wheat acreages shall be given to buyer after 2003 wheat harvest. Seller(s) shall receive 100% of 2003 growing wheat crop. Buyer(s) shall receive 100% of growing corn crop.

REAL ESTATE TAXES: Tract 1 Real Estate Taxes shall be prorated. 2003 Real Estate Taxes on Tract 2, the Southwest 1/4 of Tract 3, Tract 5, 6, 7, and 8 shall be paid by the Seller(s). The Southeast 1/4 of Tract 3 and all of Tract 4 shall be paid by the Buyer(s).

MINERAL RIGHTS: Seller(s) are reserving all of the oil, gas, and other minerals in and under Tract 2 and Tract 8 for a term of ten (10) years from the date of sale, and as long thereafter as oil or gas, or either of them, is produced from said tract, or from land with which said tract is unified, or the tract is being developed or operated. As to all other tracts, Seller(s) are reserving half of the oil, gas, and other minerals in and under each tract, for a term of ten (10) years from the date of sale, and as long thereafter as oil or gas, or either of them, is produced from said tract, or from land with which said tract is unified, or the tract is being developed or operated.

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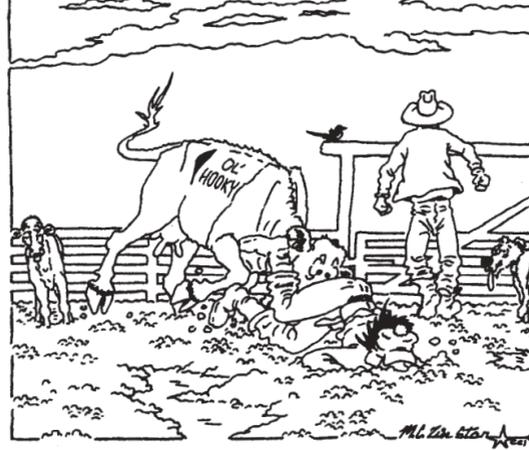
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