

OBITUARIES

Bailey William 'Bill' Belt, Jr. May 31, 1920 - Nov. 4, 2008

Bailey William "Bill" Belt, Jr., son of Bailey William "Shorty" and Minnie Florence (Shirley) Belt, was born May 31, 1920, in Norcat and passed away at the Andbe Home in Norton on Nov. 4, 2008, at the age of 88.

In 1927, Bill moved with his family to Norton where he completed his formal education in the Norton schools. Following his graduation from Norton Community High School in 1938, Bill worked at the Adams Hotel and later for the L.J. Messer Company. He was drafted into the U.S. Army in September 1941, serving in Company I, 32nd Infantry, 7th Division in the Pacific Theater as a machine gunner. He saw combat in Attu, Kwajalein, Philippines, and Okinawa. He was also recipient of a Bronze Star and the Purple Heart.

On Nov. 16, 1942, Bill and Amy Nell Drullinger were united in marriage and to this union two sons, William Eric and George Paul, were born. Upon his dis-

charge from the military, he returned to Norton but decided instead to move to Dallas, Texas to take a photography course under the G.I. Bill. The family returned to Norton where Bill set up a photo studio for a few years until an opportunity came along to work for the State of Kansas. He was hired for the communications unit of the Kansas Highway Commission and Highway Patrol. He stayed with the Patrol when they established their separate network and retired Sept. 17, 1984, after 33 1/2 years of service. His wife, Amy Nell, passed away March 12, 1996.

Bill was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Norton, the Harmonson-Redd American Legion, Lions Club, Library Board, Library Foundation Board, Boy Scouts, Black Powder Club, N.R.A., and volunteered with the community telethon committee, Red Cross, and historical society.

He also made time for his many

hobbies, including hunting, fishing, target shooting, and making candles, fishing lures, sinkers and casting lead anchors for duck decoys.

Survivors include his son, William Eric and wife, Marsa Belt, Salem, Conn.; his daughter-in-law, Susan Belt, Berryton; one sister, Anna Lee Martin, Sylmar, Calif.; and other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, and one son, George Paul Belt.

The funeral service will be held Saturday at 10 a.m. at Enfield Funeral Home Norton.

Burial will be in the Norton Cemetery.

Memorials are suggested to the Norton First United Methodist Church, Boy Scouts or Norton Public Library.

Friends may call at Enfield Funeral Home from 3 to 8:30 p.m. today

Arrangements are by Enfield Funeral Home.

Naomi M. (McClelland) Richard Oct. 30, 1925 - Oct. 30, 2008

Naomi M. (McClelland) Richard, 83, formerly of Beaver City, died on Oct. 30 in Norton.

She was born Oct. 30, 1925, at St. Francis to Homer and Ethal (May) Wolbach. She grew up in St. Francis and attended St. Francis schools. Following graduation, she worked in the St. Francis area until her marriage to Clifford McClelland on May 17, 1953 in St. Francis.

They moved to Norton, where she worked at several restaurants. She later worked for the Norton State Hospital which she retired from in the mid-1980s. Her husband died March 18, 1988 in Norton. She then married John G. Richard on Aug. 3, 1992 in Norton. They lived in Beaver City. He died Oct. 4, 1997. She

remained in Beaver City for a couple of years before moving to Norton in 1999, where she resided until her death. She attended the Christian Church in Norton and later attended the Church of God in Norton.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husbands Clifford and John; two sisters, Alberta and Irene; four brothers Frank, Delbert, John and Orgyle; two step-sons Alfred and Ray; and one great grand child.

Survivors include her two sons, Leon McClelland and special friend, Jo White of Salina and Doyle McClelland of Salina; daughter Shauna and husband Merle Robison of Norton; sister Phyllis and husband Walt Grossnickel of Manhattan; two step-

sons Floyd Richard and wife Joy of Anza, Calif. and Ted Richard and wife Shelia of Hesperia, Calif.; three step-daughters, Ruth Stalder of Beaver City, Evelyn and husband Bob Hagemeyer of Cheyenne, Wyo. and Alice and husband Don Knigge of Edmond; step-daughter-in-law, Rosalie Richard of Gillette, Wyo.; six grandchildren, 28 step-grandchildren, five great grandchildren, 88 step-great grandchildren, and 48 step-great-great grandchildren.

Services were held Monday at 2 p.m. at the Church of God in Norton with the Rev. Terry Worthington officiating. Burial was at the Norton Cemetery.

Wenberg Funeral Home in Beaver City was in charge of arrangements.



Lyle Duaine and Rose Marie Garrison

Couple celebrates 50th

Lyle Duaine and Rose Marie Garrison will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary on Sunday, Nov. 16. Their children Kimberly Wicker and friend Shawn Mortensen; Kandice and husband Greg Gunn; Kathy and husband Vito Mandato; Kirby and wife Judy Garrison; along with their children and grandchildren, Elicia and Chelsy

Wicker; Aiden Wicker and Ava Worcester; Kyle and Ryan Gunn; Marirose and Hallie Mandato and Sophia and Lily Garrison will be hosting a family weekend in Estes Park to celebrate. A card shower has been requested by the children and may be mailed to Mr. and Mrs. Garrison, 1910 Bald Pate Court, Estes Park, Colo., 80517.

Farm Service elections coming up

Farmers and rural landowners in Norton County have until Dec. 1 to vote in local elections for USDA Farm Service Agency county committee members.

"Electing county committee members is an exercise in democracy," said Vesta Hobbs, Norton County Farm Service Agency executive director. "The locally elected committee has primary responsibility for making national farm programs fit the needs and situations faced by local farmers. The members bring local expertise and knowledge to the USDA's daily delivery of programs and services."

Ballots were mailed starting Nov. 5 to all eligible voters in the middle one-third of the county where a committee member's term will expire on Dec. 31.

Mrs. Hobbs said ballots must be filled out, signed and returned to the county farm services agency by Dec. 1 to be counted. "It is important that producers sign their ballots," said Mrs. Hobbs. "Without a valid signature, the ballot doesn't count."

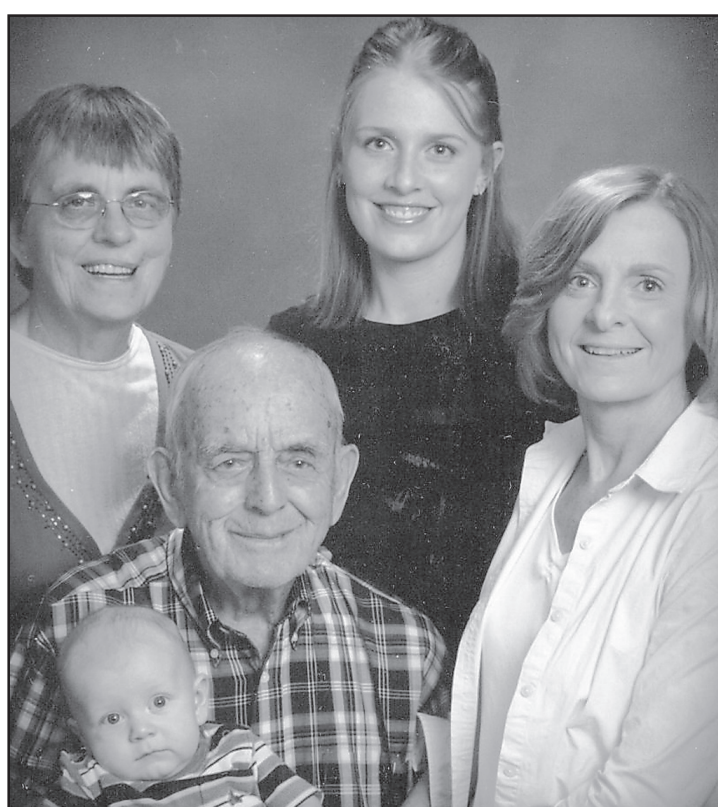
Ballots will be publicly counted on Dec. 4. Elections may be challenged by nominees within 15 days after the results of an election are posted. Newly elected committee members and alternates take office on Jan. 1, 2009.

Eligible voters who have not received ballots can acquire them from their administering farm services agency office. Eligible voters must participate or cooperate in farm services agency programs.

Farm services agency county committees make decisions on commodity price-support loans, payment eligibility, establishment of allotments and yields, conservation programs, incentive, indemnity and disaster payments for some commodities, and other farm disaster assistance. The farm services agency county committee system, established in the 1930s, gives local farmers and ranchers a much-needed say in how farm programs are administered at the grass-roots level.

For more information about the county office committee and the election process, interested people should contact the Norton County Farm Services Agency Office at 11506 Pineview Dr., Norton, Kan. 67654.

Five generations



Front: Austin Hardy, Hays. Second row: Harlan Snuggerud, Florida and Cheryl Kaus, Norton. Back row: JoAnn Bowen, Norton and Heather Hardy, Hays

Kids give their take on candidates

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The results are in for students who participated in Kids Voting Kansas. A total of 620 students from Norton voted Tuesday at the American Legion in a separate area set up for them.

This is the second election Bill Johnson, Norton Community High School American Government teacher, has had the students voting. The students in his class went to Eisenhower Elementary and the Norton Junior High to talk to the students about the candidates and how to vote, and the classroom teachers talked to their students about voting as well.

"A lot of my seniors went above and beyond to help the younger kids vote," said Mr. Johnson. "This gives us the chance to get out of the textbook and see how it's really done. I'd like to thank them for that, and also Robert Wyatt, county clerk, for helping set up the students' poll booths."

Mr. Johnson said the election sparked a lot of conversations with kids and their parents about the candidates and the issues.

In the Presidential race — kindergarten through 12th grade — 411 voted for McCain, 151 for Obama, 47 for Nader, 8 for Baldwin and 3 for Barr.

Some grade school comments to the question, "Who did you vote for and why?" were:

"McCain, because I like him." — P.A.

"McCain, because he's nice." — E.B.

"Obama, because I wanted to." — G.T.

"Obama, because he'd be a good president." — L.T.

"McCain, because I don't want Obama to change the national anthem." — A.L.

"Obama, because that's who my parents are voting for." — K.B.

"McCain, because he doesn't take away the guns." — J.P.

"McCain, because he's cool." — J.S.

"Obama, because McCain will take away the guns and we need them to hunt and eat food." —

S.G.

"McCain, because he helps the war." — W.H.

"McCain, because he's going to lower taxes and he's trying to help the poor." — J.R.

"McCain, because he won't take away the guns like Obama said he would." — P.S.

"McCain, because he doesn't believe in abortion." — M.N.

"McCain, because I've heard good things about him and bad things about Obama." — C.C.

"Obama, because I like the reason he's raising taxes." — T.H.

"Obama, because Mom and Dad did, and he'll stop the war." — H.W.

"McCain, because he'd make better choices." — T.B.

"McCain, because I believe what he believes." — L.P.

"Obama, because I couldn't find McCain." — K.R.

"McCain, because he has good expectations of what he wants to do." — T.P.

"Obama, because I think he'll be a good president." — J.G.

"McCain, because he's going

to build theme parks in every state." — N.H.

"Obama, because I like to read." — J.U.

"Obama, because McCain's really old." — M.K.

"McCain, because he's against abortion." — P.R.

"Obama, because he's going to pull troops out of the war so they can reunite with their families." — H.B.

"McCain, because Obama's friends are bad." — A.B.

"McCain, because Obama will ban semi-automatic shotguns." — C.H.

"McCain, because Obama doesn't put his hand on the bible." — A.H.

"Obama, because he'd lower taxes." — D.P.

"Obama, because he'll be the first black president." — T.K.

"McCain, because he's going to be the best president." — A.A.

"McCain, because he's fair." — G.H.

"McCain, because Obama will take the soldiers out of Iraq." — C.G.

Check for your check

It is crucial that taxpayers who may be due a stimulus check update their addresses with the IRS by Nov. 28, 2008 because by law, economic stimulus checks must be sent out by Dec. 31 of this year. There is a self-service tool available on the IRS web site, <http://www.irs.gov> update his or her address.

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