

Obituaries

Charlsie Rae (Howe) Rogers

April 25, 1934 - Feb. 9, 2013

Charlsie Rae (Howe) Rogers was born April 25, 1934, in Stoneham, Colo., to Charles E. and Erma Lee (Northrup) Howe. She died in Goodland, Kan., on Feb. 9, 2013.

She graduated from St. Francis Community High School in 1952. In September 1952, she married Samuel J. Rogers, and three children completed their family, Michael, David and Marla.

Charlsie was a farm wife and helped Sam with the farming and cattle on their family farm south of Wheeler. She was a 4-H leader and loved to sew and craft.

Later in her life she enjoyed traveling and was able to visit Europe, Alaska, the Caribbean, Hawaii and many other places around the world. She loved watching her grandchildren participate in various activities.

Charlsie was preceded in death by her parents and stepmother Verda Howe, husband, Sam, sister Beth Rudder, stepbrother and wife, Gerwood and Virginia Ducker, brother-in-law, Larry Spurgeon and sister-in-law, Hilda Price.

She is survived by her son Michael (JoAnn) Rogers of St. Francis, David Rogers of Leawood,

and daughter Marla (Doug) Ross of St. Francis; grandchildren Derek (Allyse) Ross of St. Francis, Lauren (Adam) Jantzi of Castle Rock, Colo., Travis Rogers and Taylor Rogers of St. Francis; great-grandchild, Carson Ross of St. Francis; brothers, Harold (Shirley) Howe of Springhill, La., Duane (Barbara) Howe, Pampa, Texas, Bob (Joann) Howe, Salt Lake City, Utah, Bill (Arlene) Howe, Brighton, Colo., Russell (Pam) Howe of Tremonton, Utah, Jerry (Suzanne) Thomas, Salt Lake City, brother-in-law, Glenn Rudder, Brush, Colo., sister-in-law, Elaine Spurgeon, Arvada, Colo., brother-in-law, Al Price, Goodland. She enjoyed many nieces, nephews and other loved ones.

Funeral services were held Feb. 13 at the United Methodist Church with Pastor Warren Cico officiating. Casket bearers were Derek Ross, Adam Jantzi, Travis Rogers, Taylor Rogers, DeWayne Lalicker and Wayne Rudder.

Burial was in the Lawn Ridge Cemetery, rural Cheyenne County.

Knodel Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

Peter Joseph "Pete" Kinen

Nov. 10, 1961 - Feb. 11, 2013

Lifelong St. Francis, Kan., resident Peter Joseph "Pete" Kinen, 51, died Monday, Feb. 11, 2013, at the Cheyenne County Hospital, St. Francis.

Pete was born Nov. 10, 1961, in St. Francis, the son of Patricia Ann (Gallagher) and Gerard "Gary" Joseph Kinen. He was the middle son with an older brother, Philip John, and a younger sister, Megan Ann.

He attended St. Francis Community High School and graduated in 1980. He was a four-year, three-sport letterman in football, basketball and track. He broke a 1980 Kansas State high jump record, jumping 6 foot, 6 inches. He played catcher in the summer Little League baseball games. Pete continued his football career while attending Dodge City Community College and Weber State University and studied physical education.

Pete was united in marriage to Alice Faye Griffin on June 9, 1984, and to this union two sons, Tanner Jacob and Trent Gerard, were born. They made their home on the family farm, northwest of St. Francis, where they still remain. He was a member of the St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church in St. Francis.

As early as his childhood, Pete possessed a devout reverence to land and nature. He loved being in the outdoors whether it was on the farm, or the pastures, or in the woods tracking wildlife. He practiced responsible farming and was conscientious about what he planted and how he grew it. He knew he benefitted from the earth and to everything there was a season. And even though the season had its good and the bad, he always chose to focus on the good. His response to the lack of rain would be, "We're one day closer every day!"

Skilled with the rod, rifle, and bow, he was an avid if not professional hunter and fisherman. He loved spending time tracking deer, coyote, pheasants and quail throughout the seasons.

Another season, he deeply loved was Christmas. He was Mr. Christmas! Early in November, he would hunt through the radio stations looking for Christmas music. It was tradition that the tree was up and decorated on Thanksgiving night. His favorite Christmas movie was "A Christmas Story" to which he would watch a dozen time over each holiday season. Every time he would watch it, he would laugh at every joke and incident as authentically as if he had heard it for the first time! Christmas was a magical time for him!

Being with people was just as magical as Christmas. Countless stories are told of how special Pete would make every person feel!

His community meant a great deal to him. It seemed that he had time for everyone - time to listen and visit.

And there was no one more special to Pete than kids. Kids got the royal treatment! Little ones would find their pockets filled with loose change. Pete would dress as Abe Lincoln to visit grade school classes or see

to it that first grader's letters to Santa were not only delivered to the North Pole, but that St. Nick wrote back!

Pete was a life-long Saintry Indian supporter of all sports. He never missed any of Tanner's or Trent's games in high school or college. Long after Tanner and Trent left high school, he was still at the games and matches cheering kids on with his signature, "Come on now!" Many high school athletes would get phone calls before their games from Pete wishing them good luck, to give 100 percent and play to their full potential. And post-game, follow up calls were made to congratulate them on how well they played.

Finally, Pete had no one greater love than for his wife and two sons. He recently remarked, "I've lived life because my sons are my two best friends!" His adoration for Alice was filled with fidelity, devotion and love.

Pete is survived by his wife, Alice of the home; son, Tanner and wife, Meghan of St. Francis; son, Trent of Hays; and brother, Phillip of Kansas City, Mo. In addition, he leaves behind numerous relatives; many, many friends; and a beloved community.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Gerard and Patricia; and sister, Megan Kinen Morton.

The funeral Mass was Friday, Feb. 15, at the Peace Lutheran Church in St. Francis with co-celebrants Father Carlos Ruiz and Father Douglas Dietrich. He was laid to rest at the St. Francis Cemetery next to his father, mother, sister and three generations of Kinen farmers.

Memorials may be made in Pete's name to the Cheyenne County Emergency Medical Service or the Pete Kinen Scholarship Fund and sent to the Knodel Funeral Home, 220 South Benton, St. Francis, KS 67756.

AnnaMarie Wilson

Aug. 13, 1922 - Feb. 11, 2013

AnnaMarie Wilson, 90, of Loveland, Colo., died on Feb. 11, 2013. She was born Aug. 13, 1922, in St. Francis, Kan., to John Henry and Ruby Olga Indorf.

She married Wesley Wilson on Oct. 13, 1947, in her hometown.

AnnaMarie is survived by daughters Janet (Tom) Sobey and Crystal (Vic) Wilcox; son Wesley John Wilson; grandchildren Wesley Jacob Wilcox, Jonathan Wilcox, Ana Sobey, Matt Sobey and

Amelia Holzwarth Banister

July 4, 1910 - Feb. 15, 2013

Amelia Pauline Holzwarth was born July 4, 1910 in a sod house on the family farm northwest of St. Francis, Kan., and died on Feb. 15, 2013, at the Good Samaritan Village in Atwood, Kan. She was 102 years of age.

She was the eldest of 11 children born to George and Julia Orth Holzwarth. Amelia was baptized as an infant and confirmed at the age of 12 in the Salem Evangelical Church in rural Cheyenne County.

She and her siblings would walk the 2 1/2 miles to the Smith Country School. Upon reaching the seventh grade, her father informed her that she had received enough education. So as an early teen she went to work in St. Francis for the Dr. Walz and Dr. Peck families, then later moving to McDonald to work for the Harrison, Dobbs and Benkelman families.

While working in McDonald she met the love of her life, Robert J. Banister. They were married on July 19, 1939. They were able to celebrate 60 years of marriage and were blessed with one daughter and three sons.

As a young married couple, they began their life southeast of McDonald on his Uncle Jim and Aunt Isa's farm where they lived in a small one-bedroom home, then later moved into the main house. Many Saturday evenings were spent watching Lawrence Welk and Gunsmoke on Ernie and Irene Kehlbeck's black and white television. Neighbors and friends often gathered to play Canasta, Bridge and Pinochle.

It was a given that anyone in need could depend on Bob and Amelia for their support. After his uncle's death, Bob and Amelia continued to farm until semi-retiring and moving into McDonald in 1975. They spent their retirement years traveling abroad to Australia, New Zealand, Fiji and Germany, but their favorite trip by far was their trip to the Holy Land. It

Allison King; sisters, Margaret Shay and Helen Lampe, St. Francis.

She is preceded in death by her loving husband Wesley.

Services were held Saturday, Feb. 16, at First Christian Church, 2000 N Lincoln Ave, Loveland.

Contributions may be made in AnnaMarie's name to the music department at First Christian Church.

was during this trip that Bob and Amelia were re-baptized in the Jordan River by Reverend Charles Miller.

Amelia was member of the Federated Church in McDonald for 74 years and enjoyed quilting with the Ladies' Guild for 50 years. Her quilts were too numerous to count and cherished by those who received them. She was able to quilt into her 90s until her eyesight would no longer allow her.

She was a 25 year member of the McDonald Garden Club and spent hours tending her garden and beautiful flowers. It was a rare day if you did not see her outside with a hoe in her hand. Her homemade rolls, both cinnamon and dinner, were a favorite everywhere she went, along with her crème candies she made every Christmas. Amelia and Bob shared their love of faith, family and farming.

Later in life, she loved attending high school football and basketball games even if none of her grandchildren were playing. She was a devoted Cheylin Cougar fan and her good health allowed her to attend these games even after she turned 100 years old.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, siblings Lillie (Raymond) Schuricht, Leonard (Lyda), Helen (Bill) Cole, Mona (Dale) Soehner, Bertha (Coy) DeGood, Alvin (Marie), Ted (Margaret), and Haddon (Cleone).

She is survived by her daughter Karlyne and sons Jim (Cheryl), George (Kathy) and Kent (Joan), all of McDonald, sisters Viola Jones of Sharon Springs and Lucile (Albert) Zimbelman of Carson City, Minn., sister-in-law Marie Holzwarth, grandchildren James, Art and Paula Atchison of Dallas, Texas, Tammi (Wade) Carmichael of Bird City, Ami (Kevin) Torrey of Rutherfordton, N.C., Jamie Banister of Washington, D.C., Amanda (Brandon) Winter of Andale, David of McDonald, Debi Banister of Topeka, great-grandchildren Dillon, Erika and Emily Atchison, Teryn and Ty Carmichael and Avery Winter, many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

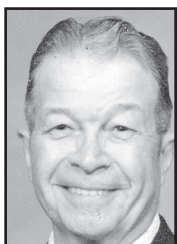
Funeral services were officiated by Pastor Mark Adams and Pastor Dan Carson at the Federated Church in McDonald on Feb. 20. Pallbearers were James Atchison, Art Atchison, David Banister, Wade Carmichael, Kevin Torrey, and Lanny DeGood. Interment was in Grace Cemetery in McDonald.

Knodel Funeral Home, St. Francis, was in charge of the arrangements.

Raymond "Ray" Frederick Boll

Nov. 29, 1921 - Feb. 14, 2013

Goodland, Kan. resident Raymond "Ray" Frederick Boll, 91, died Thursday, Feb. 14, 2013, at Hays Medical Center in Hays, Kan.



Boll

He was born on Nov. 29, 1921, in St. Francis, Kan., the eldest son of Fred and Sophia (Rust) Boll. As an infant he was baptized by Pastor O. H. Zeilinger. At the age of 14, he and his brother Merlyn were confirmed at the St. Paul's Valley Lutheran Church. He was a member of Peace Lutheran Church in St. Francis.

He attended all eight grades at District 5 School in Cheyenne County and graduated from St. Francis Community High School with the class of 1939. He lived on a farm south of Wheeler with his parents and siblings.

In 1942, he was drafted into the Army. After basic training, he became a member of 836th Engineer Aviation Battalion, building landing strips on various South Pacific islands, during the 38 months in service to his country. While there, he contracted malaria, which affected him throughout his life. After his honorable discharge, he returned to the family farm to help farm. In 1951, Ray moved into St. Francis with his parents and continued farming with his father until 1967.

On Sept. 20, 1967, he married Ilene Cole, who had two children Danny Cole and Jana Lou Cole, and they became his family. Ray and Ilene purchased a home on Washington Street in Goodland. Ilene died on May 20, 1982. Ray continued to live in that home until August of 2004, and then became a resident at Good Samaritan in Goodland. Ray remained there until his death.

Raymond was a kind and generous, loving person, who gave

so many of his possessions to his nieces and nephews. In 2011, Ray was honored as a veteran on his 90th birthday by the Good Samaritan Society. This honor made him so proud to be an American Veteran.

Preceding him in death were his wife Ilene, his parents, brother-in-law Ruben Feikert, and sister-in-law Shirley Boll.

He leaves to mourn his stepchildren Jana Lou Cole of Aurora, Colo.; Danny Cole and his wife Sandy of Franklin, Tenn.; brother Merlyn Boll of Goodland; sister Darlene Feikert of St. Francis; brother Laverne Boll and his wife Donna of St. Francis; sister-in-law Thelma Shalz of Colby; sister-in-law Donna Landeis of Tacoma, Wash.; six nephews Larry Feikert and his wife Kathy of Bucklin; Don Boll of Goodland; Bruce Feikert and his wife Sharon of St. Francis; Lyle Boll and his wife Mary Lee of Las Vegas, Nevada; Wayne Boll of Denver, Colo.; Darrel Boll and his wife Joanna of Vicksburg, Miss.; five nieces Susan Jones and her husband Johnny of Hutchinson; Sharon Olson and her husband Randy of Oberlin; Janice Boll of Hutchinson; Dana Rogers and her husband Ralph of Olathe; Lisa Mann and her husband David of Joplin, Mo.; and good friends Gilbert and Shirley Ochsner of St. Francis; many great-nieces and nephews; and many friends that worked at Good Samaritan, where he had resided for 9 1/2 years.

The funeral was Tuesday, Feb. 19, at Peace Lutheran Church in St. Francis. Burial, with military honors, followed in the Goodland Cemetery.

Memorials may be designated to Hospice Services of Sherman County or Good Samaritan Society Sherman County, and may be left at the service or mailed to Koons Funeral Home, 211 N. Main Ave., Goodland, KS 67735-1555. On line condolences: www.koonsfuneralhome.com



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