

# Obituaries

## James Leroy Hilty

March 28, 1948 - April 21, 2013

James Leroy Hilty, 65 of Navarre, Kan., died Sunday, April 21, 2013, at Mercy Regional Health Center in Manhattan. He was born March 28, 1948, in Benkelman, Neb., the son of Carl and Velma (Holl) Hilty.

He graduated from Bird City High School in 1966. After high school, Jim attended Brown-Mackie School of Business in Salina. He farmed with his father prior to starting his driving career. While living in Bird City, he enjoyed bowling at Cheyenne Bowl on the men's league and also with a traveling league.

James spent most of his life traveling the highways across the

United States working as a truck driver. He drove for several truck companies throughout his life.

James leaves behind two sons, Ryan Hilty and wife Lynnette of Hutchinson, Kansas and Darron Hilty and wife Dawn of Frisco, Texas; sister, Carol Gamblin and husband Don of St. Francis; four grandchildren, Kacia, Carson, Kate and Lauren Hilty; one niece, Krista Pummer; one great-nephew, Jonathan Hilty; two great-nieces, Davada and Britany Pummer.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and son Matthew Carl Hilty.

A memorial service was held

at the Martin-Becker-Carlson Funeral Home in Abilene, on Saturday, April 27, with Pastor Lindsey Brummer officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association or the American Cancer Association and may be sent in care to Martin-Becker-Carlson Funeral Home, 414 NW Third St., Abilene, Kansas 67410. Online condolences can be sent to [www.martinbeckercarlson.com](http://www.martinbeckercarlson.com)

Another memorial service for Jim was held Monday, April 29, at the Wesleyan Church in Bird City, with Pastor Dan Carson officiating. Inurnment followed in the Bird City Cemetery.

## Marvin E. Kamla

Nov. 22, 1932 - April 29, 2013

Marvin Eugene Kamla was born on Nov. 22, 1932, in Cheyenne County, Kan., to Paul and Marie (Martin) Kamla and died on April 29, 2013, at Aurora Medical Center in Denver, Colo.



Kamla

Marvin's childhood days were spent at the home place 1 mile north of Haigler, Neb. He was baptized and confirmed into the Lutheran Faith.

Marvin went all 12 years of school at Haigler and graduated in 1950. He loved football and played six-man while attending school. He drop kicked six extra points in one game, scoring 18 points for the game. Marvin was once named "player of the week" in the *Omaha World Herald*.

Marvin attended McCook Community College graduating in 1953. He earned a letter in track one year (making a record in discus) and football two years.

In July 1953, he joined the Army and served in Alaska for two years. Marvin was honorably discharged on June 9, 1961, and returned home to work on the farm with his dad.

On Nov. 29, 1959, Marvin was united in marriage to Kaye Andres at the Methodist Church in Haigler. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in 2009.

Marvin and Kaye started their married life in town. To this union three sons were born: Craig in 1960; Mark, 1963 and Ron, 1965.

Kaye and Marvin moved to his parents' home place in 1980 where Marvin continued to raise Black Angus cattle and wheat of which he was very proud. He also ran the Star mail route in Haigler for many years enjoying all the people on his route.

Marvin was a member of the American Legion and VFW Veterans of Foreign Wars in Haigler. He was interested in his community and served on the Town Board 14 years. He was a devoted member and worker of Zion Lutheran of Haigler until the time of his death. He was a member of the Church Council for many years.

Marvin was a devoted husband, father and grandfather who enjoyed teasing and having fun with his grandchildren - Clark Lenz, Austin Titus, Kate and Dylan Kamla, Brande, Jessy, Kasey and Lacie McArthur.

Marvin was preceded in death by his parents Paul and Marie

Kamla, brother Bob Kamla and in-laws Melford and Ruth Andres.

Survivors are wife Kaye, son Craig and family - Brande Charnoff and husband Wally, Jessy McArthur and wife Rachel, Kasey McArthur and wife Lorena, and Lacie Anderson and husband Luther. Seven grandchildren - Breanna and Joseph Charnoff, Sarah, Jack and Jill McArthur, and James and Kaden McArthur; son Mark Kamla; son Ron and wife Susan and grandchildren Clark Lenz, Austin Titus, Kate and Dylan Kamla and sister-in-law Shirley Ruth Weaver; special nieces and nephews Steve Weaver, Deb Weaver, Julie and Joe Maxson, Matt Kamla and wife Connie, Mitcheal Kamla and wife Karen and Micheale Zazo and husband Hank.; great nieces and nephews

## Kennard D. Kelly

April 2, 1929 - April 26, 2013

Kennard D. Kelly was born to Dale B. and Nellie (Puelz) Kelly in Hawk Springs, Wyo., on April 2, 1929. He died on April 26, 2013, at the VA Hospital in San Francisco, Calif.

Kennard attended grade school in Danbury, Neb., and moved to St. Francis, in 1944. He graduated with the class of 1948. After graduating from Kansas Wesleyan University in 1952, Kennard joined the Air Force.

He was honorably discharged and went on to study law at the University of Nebraska. Kennard

Amy Taylor-Tuma and husband Ben, Micah Kamla and wife Janelle; Mandy Paxson and husband Heath - Miles and Thane and Heidi, Holly and Heather Kamla; special cousins Lela and Sherri McAdams, Kamille and husband Crawford - Shalee and Braxton, Tracy Jones, John McAdams, Eileen Kirkwood and husband Kent and Larry McAdams and wife Vicki.

Funeral services were held May 4, at Zion Lutheran Church in Haigler. Pastor Chris Farmer officiated. Music and vocal numbers were provided by Althea Lebow. Interment was in the Haigler Cemetery.

A memorial has been established in Marvin's memory. Forch Funeral Chapel, Benkelman, was in charge of arrangements.

taught at Maple Woods Metropolitan Community College in Kansas City until his retirement.

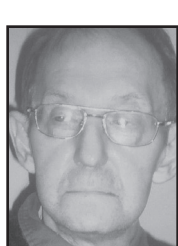
He moved to San Rafael, Calif., and lived there until his admittance to the Veterans' Hospital.

He was preceded in death by his parents and sister Catherine (Kate) Gienger. He leaves to mourn two sons, Dale and John Kelly of San Rafael; two sisters, Nola Burrus of St. Francis, and Jeanette Raile of Albuquerque, N.M. along with many friends and relatives.

## Donald LeRoy Drummond

April 25, 1945 - May 1, 2013

Donald LeRoy Drummond, age 68, of Grand Rapids, Mich., died Wednesday May 1, 2013. He was



Drummond

born on April 25, 1945 to Marion Carlton and Lila Ester Drummond in Kalamazoo, Mich. He was a veteran.

The Drummond family lived in St. Francis in the 1980s.

Don is survived by his wife, Eleanor, of 42 years; daughters, Tammie and Christina, and five grandchildren, TJ, Abe, Julius, Gavino and Andrea as well as a

son-in-law and many other family members and friends.

He was preceded in death by his son, Scott and his parents.

His daughter, Christina wrote, "As a candle is to light our way, so will our hearts with his memories."

At his request, there was no funeral service as, he said, he would like you to remember him as he was.

Memorial contributions towards funeral expenses or the charity of your choice may be made to the Arsulowicz Brothers Mortuaries, East Chapel, 937 Michigan St. Ne, Grand Rapids, MI 49503

To sign a guest book, go to [www.arsulowiczbrothers.com](http://www.arsulowiczbrothers.com).



ZONA POTTER lays out blocks to be sewn together for the next quilt she is making. Greg and Zona are donating two quilts to the car show in St. Francis. Times staff photo by Karen Krien

## Car club has four new members

By Karen Krien

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The Cheyenne County Cruiser car and bike club has four new members who are excited to be a part of the club's annual show on Saturday.

Greg and Zona Potter and Kerry and Deborah Miller, all from California, are the newest members of the club. Their passion is motorcycles. Greg has a 2010 full dressed Harley with 103 cubic inches. "It is a couch on wheels," he said.

Kerry has a 2007 Road King. I like it, he said, because it fits a big guy like me.

Greg and Zona came to St. Francis in July 2012 to visit Zona's grandmother, Esther Brunswig. Zona said she had visited her grandmother when she was young but Greg had never been to St. Francis.

I loved it, he said. It was 102 degrees but when we went down to the River Walk, I was sold.

They packed up and moved back in August bringing their children and grandchildren. They purchased the Bob and Edna Zimbelman house on South Denison Street and began making it "their own." They completely remodeled the inside, made a quilt room and then started on the garage. The garage is what residents were aware of as, instead of just a plain ordinary garage, it now has a gable roof resembling a barn.

Kerry and Deborah have recently moved to St. Francis where they are the owners of a construction business.

They will be showing their bikes at the show. Zona said she will be manning a T-shirt booth. Zona and Greg have also donated two quilts which will be given away during the show.

They have a room in their home designated as the quilt room. There is a cutting table, sewing machine, quilting machine and a

wall of storage for bolts of material, quilts and anything else it takes to complete a quilt.

They have made and sold quilts over the internet under the name of "Quilts by Lady Zoe."

Zona began sewing when her girls were small, making all of their clothes. She liked making quilts and gave them for gifts to friends and relatives.

Greg, who likes to do the quilting, (Zona designs and puts the quilts and blocks together) said if they were going to make them, they might as well sell them. They average two to three sales a month. Check them out on [www.quiltsbyladyzoe.com](http://www.quiltsbyladyzoe.com).

For the car show, they made a T-shirt quilt from car show T-shirts sold through the years. They have also donated a "biker's" quilt. People will want to stop by the show, see the quilts and buy a chance to win.

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