

Margaret M. Jenik

Sept. 3, 1926 - Dec. 31, 2002

Margaret M. Jenik, 76, McDonald, Kan., died Dec. 31, 2002, at Good Samaritan Center in Atwood. She was born Sept. 3, 1926, in rural Rawlins County, 9 miles south of McDonald to Clarence Ralph and Lela Belle (McDonald) Long.

She was a 1944 graduate of McDonald High School and was a lifetime resident of the McDonald area, moving to Good Samaritan Center in Atwood on Sept. 9, 1999.

Margaret and Frank Jenik were married on Oct. 20, 1946, at Colby.

She was a homemaker, worked at McDonald Public Library from 1960 to 1994; and from 1948 to 1960, she and her husband owned and operated the John Deere dealership at McDonald.

She was preceded in death by her parents; a brother, Robert Long; and her husband, Fred, on May 29, 1986. Survivors include two sons, Steve Jenik and wife, Dedi, Sterling, Colo.; and Mark Jenik and wife, Dolores, St. Francis; one daughter, Becky Simminger and husband, Robert J. Jr. Ludell; six grandchildren and six step-grandchildren.

The funeral service was held Saturday, Jan. 4, at Brantley Funeral Chapel in Atwood with Reverend Don White officiating. Interment was in Grace Cemetery, McDonald.

Memorials may be given to the McDonald Public Library or to the McDonald Ambulance Fund.

Beldon Jenik

May 6, 1920 - Dec. 31, 2002

Beldon Jenik, 82, Oberlin, Kan., formerly of McDonald, was born May 6, 1920, on a farm near Menlo, Kan., to Benjamin and Rose (Volock) Jenik. He died Dec. 31, 2002, at Decatur County Hospital in Oberlin.

He married Betty VerJean Edgett on Sept. 25, 1949, at Oakley.

A World War II Army veteran, he served in the 22nd Antiaircraft Search Light Battalion, obtaining the rank of technical sergeant.

He was a former resident of Castle Rock, Colo., for over 20 years, moved to McDonald in 1987, later moving to Oberlin in August, 2001.

Mr. Jenik was a mechanic dealing in farm equipment and auto repair.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Frank, Fred and Alan Jenik; and sisters, Mabel Gaede, Alice Richmond and Hester Ryan.

Survivors include his wife, Betty of Oberlin; one son, Kyle Lee Jenik and wife, Vicki of Westminster, Colo.; three daughters, Karen Sue Ham and husband, Jay Dee of Garden City, JoAnn Cleveland and husband, Dan of Fort Sheridan, Ill., and Shelley Jean Adams and husband, Bruce of Littleton, Colo.; one brother, Benjamin Jenik and wife, Vi of Visalia, Calif., and 11 grandchildren.

A memorial service was held on Monday, Jan. 6, at Brantley Funeral Chapel in Atwood with Mrs. Eleanor Swihart officiating.

A private inurnment will be at a later date.

Memorials may be given to Cedar Living Center or Decatur County Hospital, both of Oberlin.

Sheron Lorine Penn

Nov. 26, 1947 - Dec. 29, 2002

Sheron Lorine Penn, 55, St. Francis, Kan., died Sunday, Dec. 29, 2002.

Born Sheron Lorine Edwards on Nov. 26, 1947, in St. Francis, she married Danny Penn on Oct. 16, 1965, and they were blessed with two daughters and one son to their union. She achieved a master's degree and became a licensed profes-

sional counselor.

Sheron was preceded in death by her son, David, in 1990, and her father, Roy, earlier in 2002.

Survivors awaiting their family reunion in heaven include her husband Danny; daughters, Dawn Penn and Tina (Penn) Schmid with son-in-law, Tim; 10 grandchildren - Jami, Casey, Michael, Demetrius and Tia; Daniele, Braden, Ian, Katie and Mason; her mother, Mildred Edwards, all of St. Francis; her sister, Shirley Ridens, Salina; mother-in-law, Melvia Penn, St. Francis, and many, many nieces, nephews, relatives, friends, loved ones, and all others who also share with her their faith in Jesus Christ as their personal Savior and Lord.

The funeral service was held Jan. 2 at the First Christian Church, St. Francis, with Reverend Richard Garcia and Reverend John Bartlett officiating.

Honorary casket bearers were Mardy Edwards, Lyle Knebel, Don Love, Tim Poling, Brett Poling, Scott Wiley.

Casket bearers were Ronny Edwards, Tracey Galli, Ronny Oakley, Kelly Morris, Lanny DeGood, Kary Zweygardt.

Interment was in the St. Francis Cemetery, St. Francis.

Memorials may be made to the Music Department of the First Christian Church, St. Francis.

Ruth Olga Pampell

Feb. 9, 1917 - Dec. 18, 2002

Funeral service for Ruth Olga Pampell, 85, Giddings, Texas, was held Saturday, Dec. 21, 2002, at 10:30 a.m. at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Giddings. Reverend Wilbern Michalk officiated, with burial in the Giddings City Cemetery.

Ms. Pampell died Wednesday, Dec. 18 at Fayette Memorial Hospital in LaGrange, Texas. Ruth was born Feb. 9, 1917, in Killeen, Texas, the daughter of Carl and Selma M. (Berger) Vahrenkamp.

Ruth was a homemaker and took in ironing for people to earn an income for many years. She spent 25 years cooking lunch for the students at Immanuel Lutheran School. She loved working in her flower beds and garden. She played dominoes and volunteered at the nursing home calling bingo. She stayed alone in her home until Jan. 1, 2000, when she fell at home and broke her hip. She has been a resident of Giddings Healthcare Center since Feb. 15, 2000.

Ms. Pampell was preceded in death by her parents; son, Fred Pampell, son-in-law, David Floyd; brothers, Bennie, Gustav and Walter; sisters, Erna Symmank, Wilhelmina Symmank and Paula Wagner.

Survivors include her children, Dorothy and Elmer Kellner of St. Francis, Bruce and Janice Schroeder of Thompson, Mo., and Betty Floyd of Houston, Texas; grandchildren, Virginia and Larry Bouza and Shalom Kellner of Leavenworth, Nathan Kellner of St. Francis, Gregg Schroeder of Keller, Texas, Michelle Schroeder of St. Louis, Mo, Mark Schroeder of Fort Worth, Texas, Brenda and Cecil Burdick of Houston, Texas, and Michael and Tricia Floyd of Tomball, Texas.; great-grandchildren, Rachel Bouza and Andrew Bouza, Leavenworth, Brianna Burdick and Harrison Burdick, Houston; sisters-in-law, Clara Vahrenkamp, Myrtle Jantzen and Amanda Schumann, all of Gidding.

Memorials were designed for the Immanuel Lutheran Caring Ministry, ILS Student Scholarship Fund, or the charity of your choice.



NEW OFFICERS INSTALLED — Left: Maurice Phelps, Grand Marshall from Colby, places the medallion on Sam Miller, left, the new Noble Grand of the local Odd Fellows. Above: Bertha Brown, Atwood Grand Marshall, places Ilene Raile's medallion on her as she is installed the new Noble Grand of Rebekah in St. Francis.

Herald staff photos by Sandy Barnhar

Workshop to give overview of ethanol

Ethanol production and interest in ethanol are reaching all time highs in Kansas. A workshop that will look at the ethanol industry and how it could impact the economy of Kansas will benefit a broad range of people who are interested in ethanol. The Kansas Ethanol Workshop: Fueling Opportunities in Kansas: Focusing on Utilization and Production, will be held 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Jan. 23 at the Capitol Plaza Hotel in Topeka.

"We'll be addressing several questions. Is Kansas positioned to become a bigger player in the ethanol industry and what technical and

policy issues need to be addressed if we want to grow the ethanol industry in Kansas," Kansas Corn Commission Director of Operations Greg Krissek said.

The conference is designed to inform anyone who is interested in ethanol production and use.

"We are encouraging a wide range of interested persons from the people who grow the grain and produce the ethanol to the people who distribute the fuel to attend this workshop," Krissek said.

Participants will hear about the U.S. Department of Energy's Biomass Initiative and a national over-

view of the ethanol industry in the morning session. A panel will discuss the status of ethanol in Kansas and the feedstocks available for ethanol production in the state as well as how the environmental permitting process is handled. At lunch, Mike Adams of Doane Broadcasting's Agri-Talk radio program will talk about the growth of ethanol.

The afternoon session will feature speakers who will address the economic impact of ethanol production in Kansas rural economies and the farm economy. A discussion group will focus on un-

derstanding the markets involved with ethanol production as well as marketing dried distillers grains, high nutrient livestock feed that is a valuable coproduct of ethanol production. Participants also will learn about ethanol-based fuels, such as E10 Unleaded, unleaded gasoline with 10 percent ethanol, as well as research being done to develop E-diesel, a diesel fuel with ethanol.

There will be a registration fee which will include the cost of meals and materials. For more information contact the Kansas Corn Commission at 800-489-2676.

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