

Family

Deaths

Sammie A. Coburn

Sammie A. Coburn, 65, of Quinter, died Friday, Dec. 16, 2005, at St. Francis Via Christi Regional Medical Center in Wichita. He was the father of Jodie Munk of Menlo. Mr. Coburn was born May 21, 1940, in rural Sheridan County to Samuel and Gladys (Brown) Coburn. He graduated from Quinter High School in 1958 and served in the U.S. Army. He married Glenva Stephenson Oct. 21, 1962, in rural Sheridan County. He was a farmer and stockman. Mr. Coburn is survived by his wife, Glenva, of Quinter; a son, Lance Coburn of Quinter; two daughters, Maylene Dees of Guymon, Okla., and Jodie Munk of Menlo; a brother, David Coburn of Quinter; a sister, Arlene Bird of Quinter and five grandchildren. Services were Tuesday at Church of the Brethren in Quinter. Burial followed at Baker Township Cemetery in Quinter. Schmitt Funeral Home of Quinter was in charge of arrangements. Memorials are suggested to the Quinter Volunteer Ambulance Service or Gove County Home Health. They can be sent in care of Schmitt Funeral Home, 901 S. Main, Quinter, Kan., 67752.

Joseph H. Havel

Joseph J. Havel, 89, of Elkhart, died Saturday, Dec. 17, 2005, at Morton County Care Center in Elkhart. He was a former resident of Colby and Ludell. He was a retired farmer and stockman. Mr. Havel is survived by three daughters, Jane Mentlick and husband Joe of Colby, Karen Wilmore (Larry) of Golden, Colo., and Mary Pate (Phil) of McCook, Neb.; three sons, Larry and friend Rebecca Rhea of Colby, Bill of Atwood and Roger (Teresa) of Atwood; sister

Tab D. Stupka

Tab D. Stupka, 47, of Colby, died Tuesday, Dec. 20, 2005 in Colby. He was born Nov. 13, 1958. Mr.

Margie Vrbas of Atwood; 16 grandchildren, 25 great-grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

A concelebrated mass of Christian burial was held Wednesday with Father Damian Richards and Father Dana Clark as celebrants. Burial was at Mount Calvary Cemetery in Atwood.

A parish vigil and rosary was held Tuesday at Williams Funeral Home in Atwood.

Memorials are suggested in his name to the Rawlins County Historical Society and Museum.

Stupka worked for the city of Colby. Arrangements are pending with Harrison Chapel in Colby.

Student News

The following Colby Middle School sixth grade students were named to the Orange and Black Club honor roll for the first nine weeks. They were inadvertently left out of the honor roll that ran in the Friday, Dec. 16 edition of the *Colby Free Press*.

Jessica Applebaugh, Jaydon Bixenman, Mary Bond, Christina Brackett, Kai Comer, Alex Diercks, Hannah Giebler, Hollie Herbel, Christian Hills, Derian Horinek, Julia Hutfles, Kaylee Keck, Cameron LaRue, Karlton Leiker, Hannah Matchell, Kristian Mehl, Cynthia Mick, Lacy O'Neal, Tayte Query, Jordan Rasmussen, Samantha Reed, Braden Sager, Lucas Schnider, Josh Schroeder, Megan Schroeder, Ariel Severson, Dalton Snyder, Haley Stickel, Kayla Weber, Leighton Weber, Katie Zerr.

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‘Merry Christmas’ the season greeting



Betty Jo Baird

• Brewster Correspondent

Nadine Kammer and the other one went to Janet Pinkleman.

Want to keep all of those that are ill in our prayers, including my daughter, Dana. Her transplanted kidney is not taking the chemo too well, so she has been in the hospital

most of the week. I plan on going out when she is able to come home. I can do more for her then, than just sitting in the hospital room.

I do want to wish everyone a safe and Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year.

Dearest Child, I want to tell you a secret. I want to show you a path of joy. I want to open a door for you that leads to blessing. The key to that door is marked "giving," but giving without expecting any reward or praise from other people.

When you give secretly to others without expecting them to reward you, I will reward you with a quiet inner joy. When you do your good deeds, expecting no fanfare from people, there will be great fanfare for you in heaven.

Trust me, my child. Think today of some need that you can meet in secret. Then go about meeting that need in a quiet and thankful way. I will be with you. And we will rejoice together! Generously, God. Matthew 6:1-4.

Season's Greetings



Pictured Back Row L-R: Paul Pflasterer, Lyman Goetsch, JoAnne Sunderman, Jada Tubbs, and Joyce Hansen. Front Row L-R: Bill Dowell, Rick Dickman, Danielle Freeman, Jessica Vaughn and Sherri Wiedeman. Not pictured: Nancy LePell, Jay Todd and Patrick Toth.

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