

# Family

## Deaths

### James H. Carney

James H. Carney, 84, of Colby, died today. He was born March 6, 1924 in Marion County. Arrangements are pending with Harrison Chapel in Colby.

### Rita Ackerman

Rita Ackerman, 90, of Sherman County, died Monday, at Good Samaritan Society in Goodland. She was born Jan. 17, 1918, in Kansas City, Mo., the daughter of Charles Edward and Effie Mae (Hobbs) Hickman. She attended schools at Bird City. She and Rolla B. Ackerman were married. Her memberships included the Emmanuel Lutheran Church and Research Federated Women's Club. She enjoyed music, cooking, quilting, playing cards, playing bingo at the Good Samaritan Society. Preceding her in death were her parents; husband Rolla B. Ackerman, who died June 12, 1995; and one sister Bernice Ackerman. Surviving family include son

Ron Ackerman and his wife Lucy of Goodland; daughter LaDonna Ackerman of Lenexa; daughter Karen Lucas of Goodland; daughter Cheryl Swiggett and her husband Dale of Edmond, Okla.; six grandchildren; two step-grandsons; one great-grandson and two half-brothers Charles Hickman and his wife Debbie of Wellington and Kenny Hickman of Canon City, Colo.. Services were today at Koons Chapel in Goodland, with Pastor Jane Rothman officiating. Burial followed at the Goodland Cemetery. Memorials may be designated to the Rita Ackerman Memorial, and may be left at Koons Funeral Home, 211 North Main, Goodland, Kan. 67735-1555.

## Hints from Heloise

### Brisket recipe visited

Dear Heloise: Don't you have the brisket recipe that you printed? I want to give it a try. — Deb H., via e-mail

Barbecued brisket is a favorite here in Texas. The recipe is my husband David's favorite, and we call it Dilley Digs Brisket. You will need:

- 1 beef brisket, 8-12 pounds, 2-4 inches thick (not corned beef)
- 10-20 cloves of garlic, peeled
- 1/4 cup of all-purpose Greek seasoning (contains 13 spices)

To prepare the beef:

Make deep cuts into the brisket with a paring knife and place garlic into the cut. Liberally sprinkle brisket with Greek seasoning.

To cook the meat, you'll need:

Outdoor smoker, charcoal, mesquite wood soaked in water till thoroughly wet.

To cook the brisket:

Pour a pile of charcoal into the smoker, light, and let coals burn till hot and gray.

Place mesquite wood over the charcoal to smother the coals so they smoke (there won't be a flame). Put the brisket, fat side down, on the grill away from the fire/charcoal/wood. Never place meat directly over the fire. Smoke the brisket for two hours (do not turn the meat). Take the meat out and immediately wrap the brisket tightly two times in extra-heavy aluminum foil. (This is an important step.) Put in the oven in a shallow pan at 250 F for two hours. Remove from the oven and let sit (still wrapped in foil) for 30 minutes to one hour before serving. This allows the meat to "firm up" and the juice to be absorbed.

Cut the meat across the grain into thin slices to serve. In San Antonio, brisket and barbecue are served with pinto beans, potato salad, coleslaw, crisp sliced white/yellow onions, sliced dill hamburger pickles and old-fashioned white bread. -- Heloise

No waste

Dear Heloise: I have been single for quite some time and was distressed when so much of what I bought or made went into the garbage, spoiled.

I make large pots of rice and spaghetti and freeze portions in small freezer bags. In freezer trays, I put pesto sauce and turkey gravy to use year-round. — Marge in North Caney, Texas

**Immunization Records**

Dear Heloise: It is an exciting time when our children graduate from high school and leave home for college, marriage, the military or other endeavors. There are many things that we make sure they have, hold and protect, such as their birth certificate, Social Security card and high-school diploma. We often forget to include their immunization record in this list.

Many times, an adult will need to show proof of immunization for college, a job or the military. Typically, the only records that exist are given when the vaccines are administered, or are in the medical records of the doctor or clinic.

It's important to keep in mind that medical records for youth are maintained for only a limited number of years. Sometimes schools might hold on to the vaccination records of children who attended, but these records are generally not kept longer than graduation. When the personal record or a doctor's medical record cannot be located, it might be necessary to repeat some of the vaccines or arrange blood tests to determine immunity.

Parents, as your children grow, make sure you know if their doctor participates in an electronic immunization registry. Inclusion in a registry will assure that immunization records are always available. Keep in mind that very few electronic registries existed prior to the mid-1990s, so most current high-school graduates will not have a complete electronic record. There are many electronic immunization registries across the nation. These are of great benefit now and will continue to be into the future.

Your family's immunization records are important. If you have copies, keep them safe.

## Auxiliary plans events in October

The Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary met Saturday, Aug. 13 with President Peggy Ahlrogge presiding. Roll call of officers was read and the meeting opened with a prayer. The prayer was followed by patriotic instructions and a flag salute. This was followed by a reciting of the National Anthem and a prayer was given for POW's and MIA's. Minutes were read at the meeting and then treasury reports were given. The correspondences read at the meeting included thank yous from Special Olympics, Hospice and the Dan Oren family. The meeting featured a reading of a certificate of recognition from the Dept. of Kansas recognizing the Auxiliaries 100 percent membership in the past year. Hospital Chairman announced plans to send comfort items to VFW home in Ft. Dodge. The treasurer reported membership dues are to be sent out for the upcoming year. Publicity reported news items of the last meeting in the Colby Free Press. The Legislative Chairman reported donations to Salvation Army and National Veteran Service. Upcoming activities discussed at the meeting included the Department President's annual visit in October and participation in the Wreaths across Americal Program for Veteran Cemeteries. tNational home prayer was offered and the meeting closed with the ritual prayer. The September meeting was held last Wednesday.



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**Bernice Curtin**

Bernice "Bo" Curtin passed away at age 96, on Sept 7, 2008. Bo was the fourth of thirteen children born to Miles and Ellen (Pointer) Reiley of Selden, KS on December 16, 1911. She was preceded in death by her parents and 11 of her siblings. She was also preceded in death by W.J. "Bill" Curtin, her husband of 58 years, her daughter Kay Noel, and daughter Nadine Stengel, granddaughter, Susan (Stengel) Page, great grandson Eric Stengel, and great granddaughter Bridget Delaney. She is survived by Joan and Larry Curtin of Atwood, KS, Barbara and Jim Curtin of San Antonio, TX, and son-in-law, Richard Noel of San Miguel, MX.

Bo was a grandmother of 15, and great grandmother of 31. She was an active and life long member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, and past member of Altar and Rosery Society, the Dof I.

Bo attended primary school in rural schools, and graduated from Selden High School in 1929. After graduating high school, she worked in Denver and Estes Park, Colo. She and Bill began farming and ranching in the Tully community after marrying in 1930. She and Bill enjoyed bowling, playing cards, dancing, fishing, and traveling, in addition to their farming and ranching. Bo thoroughly enjoyed family, and stayed up to date on all of her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. After Bill passed away in 1989, she often traveled with Nadine, and stayed active and as involved as possible in farming activities until her death. Bo also stayed an active member in the community in many activities including bowling, aquacising, voting assistance, and was a volunteer at Senior Citizens activities.

Viewing was at 10:00 AM to 8:00 PM September 11, 2008 at Kersensbrock Funeral Home. Internment at Sacred Heart Catholic cemetery which followed a funeral mass at 10:30 AM on Friday September 12, 2008 at Sacred Heart Church.

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