

Family

Deaths

Alma V. Adams

Alma V. Adams, 89, a Colby homemaker, died Monday, June 22, 2009, at Citizens Medical Center.

She was born September 9, 1919, in Burr, Neb., to Frederick and Daisy (Rumbaugh) Plympton.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Ward, on June 17, 1989, a son-in-law, a grandson and a great-granddaughter.

Survivors include three sons, William D. Adams, Urbana, Ill.; Charles E. Adams, Orlando, Fla.; and Richard L. Adams, Colby; a daughter, Barbara E. Sprinkle,

Cassville, Mo.; a brother, Robert Plympton, Houston; 12 grandchildren; and 24 great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday, June 26, 2009, at the Kersenbrock Funeral Chapel in Colby, with burial in Beulah Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday, at the funeral home.

The family suggests memorials to the Colby First Christian Church, in care of the funeral home, 745 S. Country Club Dr., Colby, Kan., 67701.

Florence Zodrow

Florence Zodrow, 86, Leoville, died Monday, June 22, 2009, at Hays Medical Center.

She was born July 1, 1922, in rural Sheridan County to Bernard "Ben" and Barbara (Geisinger) Kruse. Raised on the farm in Sheridan County, she attended Leoville High School and Marymount College.

On Sept. 17, 1946, she married Seraphine Zodrow in Leoville. She was a member of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church and its altar society. She was the bookkeeper for the Zodrow Gas Co.

She was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, a son, Michael Zodrow; a daughter, Jeanette Voss; a brother, Joe Kruse; and three sisters, Mary Ann Zodrow, Loretta Woodall and Rita Kruse.

Survivors include four sons, Raymond, Jim and David Zoder,

row, all of Leoville, and Leo (Carrie) Zodrow, Oberlin; five daughters, Betty (Gary) Newman, Hoxie; Mary (Larr) Schlick, Colby; Elaine (Gayle) Haag, Bartley, Neb.; and Virginia (Bernie) Feldt, and Lucille (Ed) Heim, Hoxie; a sister, Germain (Ray) Weis of Dresden; 30 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 9:30 a.m. Friday, June 26, 2009, at the church, with Father Henry Saw Lone officiating and burial in Mount Calvary Cemetery, Leoville.

Visitation will be from 2 to 5 p.m. Thursday at the home in Leoville and from 6 to 8 p.m. at the church.

The family suggests contributions to the Florence Zodrow Memorial Fund in care of Pauls Funeral Home, 121 N. Penn, Oberlin, Kan., 67749.

Gwendolyn S. Carmen

Gwendolyn S. Carmen, 69, Menlo, died Tuesday, June 23, 2009, at her home.

She was born Aug. 11, 1939, to Harold and Bessie (Smith) Rawlings at Nebraska City, Neb. She married Ronald (Joe) Carmen on Feb. 14, 1979, at Hoxie.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Survivors include her husband, of the home; a son, William (De-

bie) Rawlings, Burlington, Colo.; a stepson, Dan Carmen, Colby; two stepdaughters, Julie Carmen, Colorado and Rhonda Carmen, Newton; a sister, Priscilla Blankenship, Denver; two grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

The body was cremated. Inurnment will be at the Menlo Cemetery. Mickey-Leopold Funeral Home of Hoxie, (785) 675-3057, handled the arrangements.

Donny Spresser

Donny Spresser, 25, Colby, died Tuesday, June 24, 2009, in an accident north of Levant.

Services are pending with Kersenbrock Funeral Chapel of Colby, (785) 462-7979.

John D. Scott

John D. Scott, 66, a Colby area farmer, died Friday, May 8, 2009, at Presbyterian/St. Luke's Medical Center in Denver.

He was born on Oct. 8, 1942, in Los Angeles to Beverly and Mary (Price) Scott. In January of 1943m the family moved to a ranch 12 miles south of McDonald. A 1960 graduate of McDonald High School, he attended Kansas State University and received a Bachelor of Science degree in agriculture economics. He was involved in farming his entire life.

He married Phyllis Keenan on Jan. 26, 1964.

He had been a Mason for 42 years, and was a member of the Isis Shrine Temple of Salina. He was a board member of St. John Lutheran Church in Bird City, a member of the Cheylin School Board, and a board member of the Northwest Kansas Educational

Service Center, where he served as president for a two-year term. Mr. Scott enjoyed reading, golfing, fishing and traveling, especially with family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

He is survived by his wife, of the home; two sons, Travis Scott, Stockton; and Troy (Meshell) Scott, Athens, Texas; a sister, Charlene (Joe) Kramer, McDonald; and three grandchildren.

Services were Thursday, May 14, 2009, at the Atwood United Methodist Church, with Pastors Dan Carson and Gary Davison officiating, and burial in Fairview Cemetery, Atwood.

The family suggests memorials to the Shriners Hospitals for Cripple Children, in care of the Isis Temple, Box 2778, Salina, Kan., 67401.

Mental health applies to infants

By Karen Merryman
Smart Start Northwest Kansas

In the past few years, you may have heard the phrase "infant mental health" discussed on radio and television or seen articles in parenting magazines. You may have paused to wonder why we would be concerned about mental health in infants.

Aren't all babies mentally healthy?

With the explosion in diagnoses of serious mental and emotional disturbances among school-age children, though, more and more emphasis is being placed on taking a closer look at what is going on during the early years of a child's life.

Autism and autism spectrum disorders, in particular, have taken an alarming leap from one in several thousand to one in 150, according to a *Washington Post* article in February 2007.

Other disorders, such as attention-deficit hyperactivity, anxiety and attachment disorders in young children are a significant enough concern to warrant an increased interest. Infant mental health specialists and journal articles addressing infant mental health are rapidly growing areas of expertise.

While no one knows with certainty what is causing this dramatic increase in early childhood social and emotional disturbance, the consensus of mental health professionals is the earlier the problem is identified and treat-

ment begun, the more effective the treatment can be and the less debilitating the effects of the disorder.

Parents and caregivers often can tell something is wrong but are not sure exactly what. Health-care professionals often take a wait-and-see approach that may delay treatment. Parents need to be proactive and seek help if they have a strong feeling that something is amiss.

Many social-emotional disabilities have common symptoms that may be spotted early in a child's life. Failure to make eye contact, lack of responsiveness, failure to smile and resistance to comforting are common symptoms that can be seen in infants as young as 6 months.

The National Scientific Council on the Developing Child says, "Nurturing and stable relationships with caring adults are essential to healthy human development, beginning from birth. Stated simply, establishing successful relationships with adults and other children provides a foundation of capacities that children will use for a lifetime."

For information about issues concerning children from birth through age 5, call Smart Start Northwest Kansas at 465-9103. Our mission is to support families and early childhood educators through education and resources to ensure area children start at birth for a lifetime of success and enter school ready to learn.

Babies

Emry and Keagan Peek



Emry Peek

Emry Autumn and Keagan Cole Peek, twins of Josh and Kori Peek of Greeley, Colo., were born June 18, 2009, at Citizens Medical Center. Emry weighed 5 pounds, 4 ounces. She measured 19 inches. Keagan weighed 5 pounds, 2 ounces. He measured 20 inches.

Grandparents are Larry and Robin Bryant of Greeley and Ray and Nadine Peek of Pueblo, Colo.



Keagan Peek

Thank You!

During a time like this we realize how much our friends and relatives really mean to us. Your expression of Sympathy will always be remembered. Thanks so much for the cards, flowers, prayers and for the food brought to our home. A special thanks for the loving care Clarice received at Prairie Senior Living Complex.

*The families of
Clarice Blakely*

Shower Registry
Whitney Adams & Parker McKee
June 27th, 2009

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Corrections

An article on Page 4 of the Monday, June 22, *Colby Free Press* entitled "High Plains Lions Club" was actually about the High Plains Art Club. This was an editing error.

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