

Family

Deaths

Lester Dean Chapman

Lester Dean Chapman, 80, Hoxie, father of Shelley (Tom) Pruett of Colby; died Monday, Jan. 10, 2011, at the Sheridan County Health Complex Long Term Care Unit in Hoxie.

He was born Dec. 27, 1930, in Quinter, to Lea and Lula Bell (Cunningham) Chapman.

On Sept. 21, 1953, he married Maervis M. Bangert of Denver in Denver.

An Army veteran who served in Korea, he was a farmer and a member of the Emmanuel Lutheran Church of Hoxie. He was an avid hunter and outdoorsman.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a sister and two brothers. Other survivors include his

wife, of Hoxie; a son, Kris (Doris) Chapman, Lyons; two daughters, Sheryl (David) Taylor, Hoxie, and Sheila (George) Fenno, Brooksville, Fla.; a sister, Velma Gillespie, Quinter; 11 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

He is also survived by three daughters from a previous marriage, Sue, Jeanette and Kathy.

Memorial services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 19, 2011, at the church, with private family inurnment at a later date.

The family suggests memorials to the church or the donor's choice.

Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.keithleyfuneralchapels.com](http://www.keithleyfuneralchapels.com).

Huber Mumm

Huber Mumm, Oberlin, 90, Oberlin, brother of Clem (Pat) Mumm of Colby, died Sunday, Jan. 16, 2011, at the Decatur County Good Samaritan Society Center in Oberlin.

He was born Sept. 19, 1920, on a farm northwest of Selden in Sheridan County, the son of Gottfried and Sarah (McDonald) Mumm.

In 1929, he graduated from Selden Rural High School. He was a farmer and rancher, moving from rural Selden to Rawlins County and from there to Oberlin.

He had been a member of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Selden and St. Mary's Catholic Church in Herndon.

He was preceded in death by his parents; four siblings, Gottfried, Julia Ann, Paul and Fritz; and six brothers-in-law, Gene Rogers, John Douglas, Stan Rogers, S.J. Ritter, Charlie Raile and Dale Wright.

Survivors also include two brothers, Charles "Bud" (Vicky)

Mumm, Gem, and Kenny Mumm, Selden; eight sisters, Anogene Rogers, Rexford; Josephine Douglas, Greeley, Colo.; Eleanor Rogers, Selden; Margaret (Gene) Roy, Atwood; Dolores Raile, Hoxie; Alberta Ritter, Oberlin; Clara (Richard) Newton, Denver; and Judy (Gordon) Smith, Greeley, Colo.; and a sister-in-law, Gail Mumm, Selden.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 20, 2011, at the church in Selden, with the Rev. Mark Berland officiating and burial in the Selden Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday and from 8 to 10 a.m. Thursday at Pauls Funeral Home in Selden. A vigil service will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

Instead of flowers, the family suggests memorials to the churches in Selden or Herndon, or the Good Samaritan Center in Oberlin, in care of the funeral home, 121 N Penn, Oberlin, Kan., 67749.

Elizabeth Waldman

Elizabeth Waldman, 88, a Park homemaker and mother of JoEva Strange of Colby, died Saturday, Jan. 15, 2011, at Trego County Lemke Memorial Hospital in Wa-Keeney.

She was born June 29, 1922, the daughter of Andrew and Eva (Romme) Scheck, in rural Trego County.

On April 22, 1954, she married Joseph Thomas Waldman.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1997, her parents, two brothers and eight sisters.

Other survivors include two sons, Joe Waldman and Jerry (Cyndi) Waldman of Park; six grandchildren; and a great-granddaughter.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 20, 2011, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Park,

with burial in Sacred Heart Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday at the church, with a vigil service at 7 p.m.

The family suggests memorials to the church or to the hospital's endowment fund for the physical therapy department, in care of Schmitt Funeral Home, 901 S. Main, Quinter, Kan., 67752.

Condolences may be sent to [Schmittfuneral.com](http://Schmittfuneral.com).

Cleanup done for snow, holidays

Most of the outside Christmas decorations have been removed and stored away in the attic, basement, garage or storage unit for another year. Midwest Energy removed the power-pole ornaments along Main Street during the first week of January. Thank you, Midwest employees, for helping out in our town.

The town also thanks Wes Bencken and Terry Preston for helping City Supervisor Bill Scott with snow removal. The snow has just about melted, and is disappearing from all the sidewalks.

Sympathy and condolences are



Vicki Allison

Rexford Correspondent

extended to Tanya Schwarz and family on the loss of her beloved brother, Eric Robben, Monument, who passed away Saturday evening due to a motorcycle accident.

You can reach me at (785) 687-8525 or [vallison56@yahoo.com](mailto:vallison56@yahoo.com).

Until next time, may your week be filled with valuable memories.

Collections set record for attorney general

Increased efforts to protect consumers from mortgage fraud and to collect from pharmaceutical companies defrauding the state Medicaid program highlighted a record year for the attorney general's Consumer and Medicaid Fraud divisions in 2010.

Through the first six months of Fiscal Year 2011, which began July 1, the Medicaid Fraud division recovered almost \$19.6 million. The Consumer division has recovered an additional \$5.8 million. Both figures are expected to grow as additional 2010 recoveries are tallied in the next few months.

"There will always be companies or individuals who try to cut corners at the expense of taxpayers," said former Attorney General Steve Six. "Outside of prosecuting criminals, there is no greater responsibility for the ... office than protecting Kansas taxpayers from financial fraud."

The largest recoveries by the Consumer Division have been a part of Operation Homestead, which targets companies attempting to mislead homeowners into

faulty mortgages or loan modifications. From July through December of this year, consumers received over \$2.7 million in assistance. Since 2008, Operation Homestead has recovered over \$21.7 million.

The Medicaid Fraud division's recoveries are highlighted by additional settlements in cases brought against 33 drug companies that had failed to charge the average wholesale price for products billed to the Kansas Medicaid Program. To date, seven companies have settled with the attorney general's office for a total of \$19.4 million, including settlements signed by two companies in December for a total of \$8.45 million.

"Last year, both our Consumer and Medicaid Fraud divisions recovered record amounts on behalf of Kansas taxpayers," Six said.

In fiscal year 2010, he said, the Consumer Protection Division recovered \$17.3 million and the Medicaid Fraud Division almost \$22 million.

Corrections

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Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day <b>Hi-Plains Co-op</b>	
Wheat (bushel)	\$7.25
Corn (bushel)	\$5.84
Milo (hundredweight)	\$9.98
Soybeans (bushel)	\$12.97

Babies

Luke Harvey Ludwick

Luke Harvey Ludwick, son of Ricki and Matt Ludwick of Colby, was born Tuesday, Dec. 21, 2010, at Citizens Medical Center. He weighed 8 pounds and measured 20 inches.

Brothers Jonathan, 11, and Jacob, 7, welcomed their brother home.

Grandparents are Dr. Harvey and Joan Ludwick of Ottawa, and Minnie Piercy and the late Rick Piercy of Liberal. Great-grandparents are Harold Sickels and the late Ruth Sickles of Louisiana, Mo.



Luke Ludwick

Claire Alice Lundquist

Claire Alice Lundquist, daughter of Denise and Peter Lundquist of Fairbanks, Alaska, was born Wednesday, Dec. 29, 2010, at Fairbanks Memorial Hospital. She weighed 8 pounds, 4 ounces and measured 20 1/2 inches.

Brother Carson, 3, welcomed her home.

Grandparents are Clarence and Marilyn Denning of Colby, and James and Louise Lundquist of Cornwall, Pa., and the late Alice Lundquist.

Lux Sophia Vrbas



Lux Vrbas

Lux Sophia Vrbas, daughter of Dustin and Katina Vrbas of Colby, was born Wednesday, Dec. 22, 2010, at Citizens Medical Center. She measured 19 1/4 inches and weighed 7 pounds, 1 ounce.

Welcoming her home was Blaise Vrbas.

Grandparents are Cathy and Ross Carrey and Ron and Marlene Vrbas, all of Colby.

Sister allegedly claimed she's only child to get insurance

AMBRIDGE, Pa. (AP) – The state attorney general says a western Pennsylvania woman claimed to be an only child so she could collect the entire \$13,000 from her late father's life insurance policy.

Thirty-eight-year-old Jennifer Krummert, of Ambridge, faced a preliminary hearing Jan. 6 on insurance fraud charges.

State agents say Krummert collected the money from Minnesota

Life Insurance Co. in November 2009. When her sister also filed a claim, the insurance company paid her, too, then sought repayment of \$6,500 from Krummert.

Agents say Krummert told them she spent the money and can't repay it. But her sister told investigators that both received \$25,000 from another life insurance policy held by their father.

Program on breast cancer

Breast cancer is the topic for this week's *Doctors on Call* on Smoky Hills Public Television.

Dr. Anne O'Dea of Hays Medical Center and Dr. Charles Schultz of Southwind Surgical in Hays will answer questions on the live

viewer call-in program.

The half-hour program will air at 7 p.m. Tuesday, with a repeat at 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 23.

For information, go to [www.smokyhillstv.org](http://www.smokyhillstv.org).

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Senior Parents & Homeschoolers Hurry in!!

Deadline is April 15, 2011!!!

The Colby Free Press is now planning the Senior Graduation Tab and will be giving parents a chance to put a baby picture in along with a short message from the family for a small fee.

WHITNEY COLETTE ADAMS

I plan to attend Colby Community College and play softball

PARENTS: Richard & Peggy Adams

It's been a real hoot, Whitney go get em girl, and Godspeed. Love, Mom & Dad

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