

OBITUARY

Norman E. Klein

Sept. 25, 1924 - Jan. 5, 2006

Norman Edward Klein, Sr., 81, of Axtell, Neb., died Thursday at his home.

Mr. Klein was born Sept. 25, 1924, at St. James, Minn., the only child of Paul and Veronica (Sandmeyer) Klein.

He received his education in Minnesota and Kansas. He was inducted into the United States Army, serving his country from Nov. 4, 1943, to March 9, 1946, during World War II.

On Sept. 18, 1950, he married Christina Barnes. The family made their home in Alma, Neb., until 1967, when they moved to Holdrege. In 1972, they moved to Axtell. As a young man, he farmed. Throughout his life he worked as a heavy equipment operator in Phelps and Kearney counties in Nebraska.

He was preceded in death by his wife Christina; two sons, Rex

Klein in infancy and Mickeal Klein; and one grandson, Derrick.

Survivors include his children: Norman E. Klein, Jr., of Axtell, Terry Klein, Holdrege, Stephen and Denise Klein, Holdrege, Sandy and Melvin Taylor, Bloomington, Neb., Donald Klein, Holdrege, Theresa and Richard Bernstrauch, Axtell, Cindy and Robert Horst, Holdrege; 18 grandchildren; and numerous great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held today at the Nelson-Bauer Funeral Home in Holdrege with Pastor Tom Thompson officiating. Burial was in the Prairie Home Cemetery, Holdrege.

A memorial has been established in his name. Contributions may be made in care of the funeral home at 401 Burlington St., Holdrege, Neb., 68949.



Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Gebhard (Jillian Fisher)

Jillian Fisher and Marvin Gebhard were married June 18, at the First United Methodist Church in Arapahoe, Neb.

Parents of the couple are Dan and Donna Fisher of Arapahoe, and Drake and Karen Gebhard of Long Island.

The bride was escorted down the aisle by her father in a simple, scoop neckline gown with tank-top styling. It was a satin A-line gown, embellished with crystal beads and sequined, embroidered lace appliques. It had pleated back detailing and an aproned back skirt with a bustle look, and a cathedral train.

Her veil was double layer and waist-length with crystal beading along the edges that matched the dress.

Special guests of the couple included their grandparents, Don and Nancy Paine of Edison, Neb., Bill and Delores Fisher of Arapahoe, and John Pfeifer of St. Peter.

Shawna Fisher, Kearney, sister of the bride, was the maid of honor.

Bridesmaids were Dana Brinkman, Holdrege, sister of the bride; Andrea Fisher, Elgin, Neb., sister-in-law of the bride; Shantel Schmit, Kearney, friend of the bride; and Meriah Hock, Lincoln, Neb., cousin of the bride.

The junior bridesmaid was Jordan Paine, Oxford, Neb., cousin of the bride, and flowergirl was Brooklyn Luke, Indiana, cousin of the bride.

Garth Gebhard, Long Island, brother of the groom, was the best man.

Groomsmen were Andy Chesney, Hays, friend of the

groom; Jeremy Horn, Wichita, friend of the groom; John Griffin, Olpe, cousin of the groom; and Bryan Pfeifer, Marysville, cousin of the groom.

The junior groomsman was Brett Luke, Indiana, cousin of the bride and the ringbearer was Billie Paine, Oxford, cousin of the bride.

Ushers included Corey Fisher, Elgin, brother of the bride; Brian Brinkman, Holdrege, brother-in-law of the bride; and Scott Chesney, Hays, friend of the groom.

A dinner reception and dance were held immediately following the ceremony at the Eagles Club in Norton.

Following a honeymoon to Estes Park, Colo., the couple is residing in Healy, where Mr. Gebhard is a high school social studies teacher and coach.

Mrs. Gebhard is attending college at Fort Hays State University, majoring in Elementary Education.

Loads of laundry filled washday

The mixed fragrances drifting under my freckled nose tells me it's washday before I am even fully awake—a blend of the faint odor of bleach, bluing and lye soap and an appetizing aroma of bean soup stewing away in the kitchen.

I make my way down to the basement, laden with my bedding, where Mama greets me with "Well, it's about time, sleepyhead!" She smiled as she said it, though, so I knew I wasn't in too much trouble even though one muslin-lined peach basket of fresh wash is awaiting my arrival.

The kettle of starch stands nearby for white shirts and the cork is out of the bluing bottle. An old paring knife is stuck into a partially whittled bar of home made lye soap and the Speed Queen washer is chugging away. Mama is fishing a rinsed load from a washtub and feeding it through the wringer, so I know I'd better hustle right upstairs and start pegging out.

It is a hot and sunny summer day with a nice breeze. The wash will dry quickly on such a glorious day. I damp down an old facecloth at the faucet and clean the metal clotheslines, hang the clothespin bag on the wire and begin to clip up the first of the fresh smelling laundry. Eleanor, the heavenly blue morning glory on the trellis poles, keeps me company with her profusion of bugle-shaped blossoms. Surely hanging out wash must be the most pleasant of all summer tasks.

"Liza Beth?" Mama is at the backdoor looking distressed. "You'll have to run down to the Skelly and get some white gas. I told your father to get the can filled last week but I guess he forgot and we're almost out. And I can't go, I look a sight."

Away I go to town all by my eight-year old self with a quarter in my pocket, a little red gas can swinging from one hand and strict instructions not to tarry.

Tarry I did not, tempted though I was by this big adventure. If I wasn't back in thirty minutes tops I knew I'd be in Dutch. Mama had hung out sheets by the time I returned and had another basket waiting for me. But ominously, there is no chugging from the

Child of the 40s Liza Deines



lower level. We will have to prime a finicky engine to get it going again and that little job could get my mother as close to cussing as I ever heard her. Fortunately today it goes well and there's only one "Oh, shoot" and no "Shucks" at all.

All but the work clothes and the rags are on the lines by noon so we sit down for a bowl of bean soup broth over toasted bread and butter. No beans, they're not mellow enough and they're reserved for supper anyhow. Time for me to take empty baskets out and gather in the items that are dry. I inhale deeply—laundry smells even better when dried in Kansas sun and wind.

Back inside I fill an old Nehi bottle with warm water, plug on the sprinkler top and proceed with the sprinkling and rolling of all the shirts and dresses to be ironed come morning. Mama comes in loaded with sheets and we snap and fold and sing as we match corners and ready them for the linen closet. Next comes sorting and folding socks. Where did that one missing sock go? After a short search I find it snagged on a rosebush where it has dried just fine.

Mama brings up a bucket of suds to scrub the front and back steps. We scrub around the washer, too, and pour the rinse water into buckets to be lugged up for the flower beds. Finally we drain and wipe the washer out and climb the steps one last time.

I set the supper table while Mama puts cornbread in the oven. We collapse and rejoice, "Whoo! Wash done for another week," she sighs.

Dad is at the back door with a bundle of mail and a twinkle in his eye. "You girls just been sittin' around all day?" he asks, knowing full well it was washday.

MY MAMA SAID: What my Mama said on that occasion I won't ever tell!

READERS

— **PINOCHLE TOURNAMENT, 7 p.m. Sunday Jan. 15. Norton American Legion. 1/10**

Carol Strickland is staying with her son, Jay Strickland and family, in Russell while she is receiving medical treatment in Hays. His address is 510 West Jewell, Russell, Kan. 67665.

— **Steak and seafood night, Thursday and Saturday 6-9 p.m. American Legion. Members and guests. 1/10**

Joel Griffiths, Norton, was re-

cently awarded a scholarship from Emporia State University for the 2005-2006 academic year.

— **Norton County Community Service Association will hold their annual meeting, Jan. 18, in the Library Meeting Room at 7 p.m. The public is invited. 1/10**

Fort Hays State University held its annual Tiger Call phone-a-thon this fall raising \$426,892. Norton County was responsible for \$3,160 of those pledges.

HANSEN MUSEUM

By LEE FAVRE

The Lone Prairie 4-H Club, of Prairie View, toured the museum Monday evening and held their monthly meeting in the community room. Refreshments were served to the 4-Hers and parents who attended. The 4-H members were able to see the Asian exhibit, "Magic, Myths, and Minerals" and learn about the museum and Mr. Hansen's life. The jade exhibit will close Jan. 29.

With the close of the exhibit in sight, preparations are already being made to house the giant high school art show next. This year, it will contain the works of 13 schools.

January has brought the art and photographic talents of Gordon Mai to the museum. Mr. Mai is from Wilson and was chosen as one of the honored "Artists of the Month" at last September's craft fair. His works are on display in the gallery.

Kansas Day is coming up and will be celebrated at the Logan City building Friday, Jan. 27. For your convenience, the museum

will stay open over the lunch period.

Reviewing the guest book over the past several days revealed these visitors from Logan: Waunie Parsons, Dennis and Barbara Sparks, Dorothy Becker, Beth Van Roekel, Chyanne Hilburn, Harold and Duane McCue, Ila Mays, and Bob and Vada McDonald.

A few others registering from surrounding Kansas communities were: Charlie Blochlinger, Concordia, Kent Jones, Phillipsburg, Virginia Gibson, Kensington, Dennis and Peggy Dick, Smith Center, Gordon and A.J. Pettyjohn, Stockton, Loren and Frances Grau, Phillipsburg, and Nancy and Doug Sebelius, Norton.

MARKETS

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CORRECTION

A story about the Norton Emergency Medical Service in the Tuesday, Jan. 3 edition of *The Norton Telegram* said Ambulance Director Andy Neilsen and Assis-

tant Director Ruth Schillig told the Norton County commissioners that they will be teaching CPR classes in Lenora, Hill City and Hays for Natoma, a Norton busi-

ness. This is incorrect. The classes will be taught for Rural Telephone Service, not Natoma. This was a reporting error.

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