

OBITUARIES

Gweneth A. Cranmer

Dec. 19, 1914 - Jan. 27, 2007

Gweneth Arlene Cranmer, 92, died at the Norton County Hospital on Saturday.

The daughter of Walter Searl and Bessie Bell (Barber) Williams, she was born Dec. 19, 1914, in Alma.

She attended Alma Grade School and graduated from Alma Rural High School.

On May 23, 1935, she and Leland A. Cranmer were married in Norton. They made their home on the farm northeast of Alma until his death in July 1960. She then moved to Norton where she lived until her death.

She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Norton, Order of Eastern Star Bethlehem Chapter No. 89 in Alma and the Norton Needleless Club.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, and one daughter, Loretta Jean Anderson.

Survivors include: one grandson, Mark and wife, Sheryl Anderson, Overland Park; two great-grandsons, Drew David and Aaron Daniel Anderson; and one sister-in-law, Wilma Carlat, Topeka.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday at the First United Methodist Church with Pastor Lew Van Der Wege officiating. Inurnment will be in Mt. Hope Cemetery, Alma.

A memorial has been established to the church, 805 W. Wilberforce, Norton, Kan. 67654.

Enfield Funeral Home, Norton, is in charge of the arrangements.

Marvin Lee Moppin

Feb. 18, 1948 - Jan. 27, 2007

Marvin Lee Moppin, 58, died Saturday at his home in Norton.

He was the son of Robert and Dorothy (Hahn) Moppin, born Feb. 18, 1948, in Blain.

He attended MidWay High School in Severance, and spent his early adulthood in Eastern Kansas, Oregon, and Missouri.

On April 23, 1994, he and Judy Skrdlant were married in Wakefield, Va. They made their home in Clay Center and Alma, before moving to Norton. He spent his life farming.

He loved country music, John Wayne western movies, wrestling, and playing cards with his family. His greatest joys in life were his grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Dorothy Moppin, and one infant son, Marshall Heath Moppin.

Survivors include: his father, Robert Moppin, Savannah, Mo.; his wife, Judy Moppin, Norton; two sons, Marvin Lee Moppin, Jr., Flint, Mich., and Jarrod Dean Moppin, Alma; three step-children; one brother, Jackson Moppin, Savannah, Mo.; three sisters, Jean Roupe, Mound City, Mo., Ida Hughes, Savannah and Kathleen George, Palm Bay, Fla.; nine grandchildren; and three step-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Monday at Enfield Funeral Home. Jeff Nielsen officiated. A memorial service and inurnment will be held Saturday, Feb. 10 in Savannah.

A memorial has been established to Hospice Services of Norton County. Contributions may be made in care of the funeral home, 215 W. Main, Norton, Kan. 67654.

Zap fridge odors after power outage

A power outage or a refrigerator or freezer failure can spoil foods and create unpleasant odors. If such odors resist all efforts at removal, the appliance may have to be discarded.

Check the owner's manual provided's "Consumer Guide to Food Safety" also suggests:

- Dispose of any spoiled or questionable food, including foods that may be contaminated, for example, by drippings from thawing meat or poultry.

- Remove shelves, crispers and ice trays. Wash thoroughly with hot water and detergent. Rinse with a sanitizing solution (1 tablespoon unscented, liquid chlorine bleach per gallon of water).

- Wash the interior of the refrigerator, including the door, accessories and gasket, with a solution of one quart warm water and two tablespoons of baking soda. Rinse with sanitizing solution (above). Leave the door open for about 15 minutes to allow free air circulation.

- If odor remains, wipe the inside of the unit with equal parts vinegar (which provides acid that destroys mildew) and water. Consider allowing the appliance to air out for several days.

Other ideas include stuffing the refrigerator and freezer with crumpled newspapers, closing the door and allowing several days for the newspaper to absorb odors. After removing the paper, clean the appliance with vinegar and water.

Sprinkling fresh coffee grounds or baking soda in a large, shallow pan and placing it on the bottom shelf of the unit can be helpful in ridding appliances of odors — as can soaking a cotton swab with vanilla extract and placing it inside a freezer (then closing the door). Leave either in place for 24 hours.

Another odor removal method

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is to place activated charcoal (not charcoal briquettes for grilling) or activated carbon in a shallow bowl and leave it for several days while the refrigerator is running.

The charcoal or carbon is available where aquarium or plant and garden supplies are sold. It will become saturated, but can be reactivated by heating in a 300 degree F oven for one hour. Then it can go back into the refrigerator, so its owner can continue trying this approach for about 10 days.

Commercial products are available, too. Check the appliance owner's manual for recommendations.

If such odor removal methods are not successful, the reason may be that food juices and odors have seeped into the insulation. Replacing that insulation will require a professional.

If you have other questions related to food storage or food safety, contact your local K-State Research and Extension Office.

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Bill 'Francis' Graff

Sept. 25, 1920 - Jan. 26, 2007

Bill "Francis" Graff, 86, Orleans, Neb., father of Judy Coady, Norton, died Friday at Norton County Hospital.

Mr. Graff was born Sept. 25, 1920, on the Colgan farmstead north of Alma, Neb., to George and Mary (Colgan) Graff. Due to his mother's death, his father, sister, Dorothy, and he went to live with her family, the Colgans. His father married Anna Hennessey in 1926.

He attended St Mary's School through the sixth grade and a rural school through the eighth grade. As with many children of the depression era, he forfeited a high school education to work.

In 1940, Mr. Graff left Nebraska to work for North American Aviation in Long Beach, Calif. There, he met Maxine Hillard, and the two were married on Jan. 17, 1942.

After World War II, the Graffs moved back to Nebraska where they engaged in farming. In 1959, they moved to Denver, Colo., to work for Armour Meats. His career with Armour transferred him to St. Joseph, Mo., and later Martin City, Mo. While living in Martin City, Mrs. Graff died.

On Sept. 26, 1978, he married Marie Mikessell. Upon retirement they moved to Orleans, Neb. She died Jan. 31, 2004.

Although he only received an eighth grade education, he was an avid reader. His interests were wide spread. Hunting, fishing, spending time with his dog, Duke, and grandkids were favorite past times.

He was baptized at birth into the Catholic faith and was a member of Mary's Catholic Church in Orleans.

Preceding him in death were his parents; his step-mother, Anna; brother, Donald; sister, Patricia; step-son, Dickie Mikessell; and step-daughter, Charlene, otherwise known as Billie.

Survivors include: two sons, Neil and Martha Graff, Omaha, Neb., and Mike and Charlene Graff, Lincoln, Neb.; a daughter, Judy and Len Coady, Norton; one brother, Jack Graff; six sisters, Dorothy Mara, Margaret Ann Reibold, Kathleen Dietz, Sharon Jenniges, Carolyn Poore, and Marilyn Campbell; seven grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

A rosary service will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Orleans. Mass of the Christian Burial will be held at 10 a.m. Friday at the church. Inurnment will be in Mt. Calvary Cemetery, Orleans.

A memorial fund has been established to the Norton Animal Shelter. Contributions may be made in care of Enfield Funeral Home, 215 W. Main, Norton, Kan. 67654.

Faith (Huff) Smith

July 5, 1914 - Jan. 25, 2007

Faith (Huff) Smith, 92, Salina, formerly of Norton County, died Jan. 25 at Assaria.

She was born July 5, 1914, in Oronoque.

On June 1, 1936, she married J.P. Smith in Salina.

She graduated from Kansas Wesleyan University in 1936.

She was a Special Education Instructor in Denver, Colo., from 1957 until 1966 and in Salina from 1966 until 1982 at Schilling and Heusner schools. She was a member of the Kansas National Education Association, Salina National Endowment of the Arts and was a Kansas Mas-



Faith Smith

ter Teacher.

She was preceded in death by her husband and a son Steven Paul Smith.

Survivors include: a son, J.D. Smith, Espanola, N.M.; a daughter Deb Wall, Assaria; six grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m., Saturday at the Salina Mennonite church, 600 W. State, Salina. Her body was cremated.

Memorials are suggested to Kansas Wesleyan University or Unified School District No. 305 Education Foundation. Contributions may be made in care of Ryan Mortuary, 137 N. Eighth, Salina, Kan. 67401.

On-line condolences may be sent to: www.ryanmortuary.com.

MARKETS

At close of business Jan. 26

Wheat	\$4.34
Milo	\$3.68
Corn	\$3.86
Soybeans	\$6.28

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