

OBITUARIES

James Jones

May 19, 1940 - December 12, 2010

James (Jim) Richard Jones, 70, of Alliance, Neb. died on Dec. 13, at his home after a lengthy battle with cancer.



James Jones

James was born in Imperial, Neb. on May 19, 1940, the youngest son of Eugene and Anna (Hixon) Jones. After living a short time in McCook, Neb., he met his wife of 50 years, Nancy. They were married on Nov. 26, 1960. They lived in Cambridge, Neb. for a short time, where their son Jim and daughter Rhonda were born. After a brief stay in Imperial and the birth of their daughter, Lori, the family moved to Norton. In 1978 the family settled in Alliance.

Jim retired in 1995 after 33 years of service with Kansas Nebraska Energy.

Jim was a devoted husband and father to his family. He loved helping others, enjoyed lending a helping hand and worked effortlessly to give trustworthy advice. He was an active member of Immanuel Lutheran Church. He enjoyed his family, restoring and rebuilding cars, hunting, fishing, gardening, Nebraska Cornhusker Football and spending time at his cabin at

Lake McConaughy. He took pride in his El Camino, tractors, his children and grandchildren.

Survivors include his wife, Nancy; a son, Jim and Diane Jones of Hastings; two daughters, Rhonda and Jerry Graham of Gering and Lori and Doug Stolz of Burlington, Colo.; a sister, Barbara and Harry Hixson of McCook, Neb.; eight grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a brother and an infant son, Terry Lynn Jones.

Funeral services were held Thursday at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Alliance with the Rev. Martin T. Schnare officiating. Graveside services were today at the Lebanon Cemetery, Lebanon, Neb. with the Reverend Richard C. Mueller officiating.

Memorials may be given to Immanuel Lutheran Church, the Lebanon Cemetery or to the family.

Online condolences may be left at www.batesgould.com.

Bates-Gould Funeral Home of Alliance, Neb. was in charge of arrangements.

Lynn A. Rakes

Dec. 10, 1955 - Dec. 14, 2010

Lynn A. Rakes, of Cambridge, Neb. died on Tuesday, Dec. 14, at the age of 55. He was born in Nebraska City, Neb. on Dec. 10, 1955 to Harold and Dorothy (Greenwood) Rakes. Lynn grew up in the Nebraska City area and graduated from Pioneer High School in 1974.

After graduation Lynn went to work for the Burlington Northern Railroad. He continued his work as a Building and Bridge Mechanic and Foreman after the merger of Burlington Northern and the Santa Fe, continually working for over 34 years.

Lynn was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith in Nebraska City at the Bethel Evangelical Church. He was united in marriage to Denise Linner on Oct. 1, 1983 at the Peace Lutheran Church in McCook, Neb. Denise and Lynn built a "coach car" home on Trail 4 of Medicine Creek Reservoir. At that time they moved their church membership to St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Cambridge in August of 1983.

Lynn loved the out of doors, they made their home on the lake ideal for pheasant, turkey, goose duck hunting and fishing that he so loved. He enjoyed processing his own deer and making sausage. He enjoyed playing cards, pool bowling and shuffleboard. Lynn touched many lives, he enjoyed helping people, he enjoyed life to the fullest.

Lynn was preceded by his grandparents, parents and a brother Larry.

He is survived by his wife: Denise of Cambridge, Neb.; a brother: Lonnie and wife Ramona of Nebraska City, Neb.; sisters-in-laws: Leah Rakes of McCook, Neb.; Kathleen and husband Larry Tams of Alma, Neb.; Shirley and husband Ervin Volgamore of Beaver City, Neb.; Margie and husband Earl Denio of Stratton, Neb.; Bev and husband Rodney "Butch" Hilker of Arapahoe, Neb.; brothers-in-law: Ron and wife Mary Linner of Bird City; Doug and wife Kaye Linner of Hendley, Neb.; Jim and wife Heidi Linner of Norton; Alvin and wife Sherry Linner of Beaver City, Neb.; Harold "Jr" and wife Don Linner of Beaver City, Neb.; Randy and wife Cindy Linner of Norton and Roger and wife Kim Linner of Almena; many nieces and nephews

Memorial Services were held today at the Peace Lutheran Church in McCook, Neb. with Pastor David Feddem officiating. A private family inurnment will take place at a future date.

Leave on line condolences at lockenour.com.

A memorial has been established in lieu of flowers to the Cambridge Rescue Squad.

Arrangements are by Lockenour-Jones Mortuary, Cambridge, Neb.

Itchy, dry skin needs water

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Cracked lips and chapped skin can be signs that people are drying out internally. Most of us know dehydration can be life-threatening in summer. We may not realize it can have year-round impacts on health, comfort and even thinking. We don't see the cold-weather results in terms of our body being water-deprived.

In winter, the first symptoms of dehydration are usually dry, itchy and sometimes painful skin conditions. Cold-weather dehydration also can cause a dry, hacking cough and shocks of static electricity. It reduces people's ability to fight off colds, flu, skin infections and other seasonal ills.

Both outdoor and indoor conditions promote winter's moisture-sapping impacts. They're simply reflecting the logical outcomes of a weather measure that many people don't understand.

The confusion is: The reported relative humidity can mean something quite different in summer and winter. It represents not only the air's current moisture content but also the temperature. When air is totally saturated with water vapor so it can't contain any more, its relative humidity is 100 percent. And, snow or rain is possible. A relative humidity reading of 75 percent means the air's moisture content right now is three-fourths of its current saturation point.

The current part of that definition is what keeps things interest-

ing. The fact is, the higher the air temperature, the more water vapor it can contain. So, the amount of water needed to reach saturation increases as the temperature goes up, and it shrinks as the temperature goes down.

That's why a 75 percent relative humidity reading can make you feel like you're having to swim through the air in summer. Yet, it can feel normal to dry during winter, especially when combined with a cold wind. When winter's comparatively dry air enters a house through the furnace, things get even more interesting. The air's already-low humidity plummets, simply because the furnace raises the air's temperature. In turn, humans and wood furniture may suffer unless someone keeps them supplied with moisturizer or a humidifier.

But, humans also can drink lots of water despite the fact sweating isn't usually a winter issue.

Questions? Contact your local K-State Research and Extension Office or you may e-mail Tranda Watts at twatts@ksu.edu.

Marie Vavroch

October 17, 1928 - December 11, 2010

Marie (Jean) Regina Vavroch died Dec. 11, at the Decatur County Hospital in Oberlin, at the age of 82. She was born Oct. 17, 1928, in Jennings, the fourth of eight children of Henry and Theresa (Robben) Hickert.

Marie Jean and her siblings were raised on the family farm east of Jennings. She attended Lone Star School, District 69 near Jennings and graduated from Leoville High School in Leoville in 1946.

Marie Jean received a teaching certificate from Fort Hays State College and worked as a teacher for Jennings Rural Grade School. She later worked at the Jennings Bank. Marie Jean enjoyed travel league bowling and met her future husband when they joined the same mixed league group.

On Aug. 12, 1961, Marie Jean and Charley Vavroch were married at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in New Almelo. They made their home on the Vavroch family farm where three children were born to their union.

Marie was active in church and school.

Marie Jean was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church where she served as lay minister until her health declined. She

participated in Altar Society, Zeta Nu, and various other organizations. During her children's later years, Marie Jean worked at Cobblestone, Ltd. followed by Expressions of Home.

Marie Jean and Charley moved to Oberlin in 1982 while in the process of retiring from farming. She was known for her beautiful garden and her willingness to volunteer wherever there was a need.

Survivors include two sons, Allan Vavroch, of Manhattan and Kevin Vavroch, of Shawnee; one daughter, Janice Doyle, of Kansas City, Mo.; two brothers, Emory Hickert, of Clearwater, Fla., and Gordon Hickert, of Cherokee Village, Ark.; and three sisters, Ida Hoover, of Lady Lake, Fla., Elizabeth Richards, of Rapid City, S. D., and Elinor Wiltfong, of Norton.

Marie Jean was preceded in death by her husband, parents and two brothers, Marcellus and Norman Hickert.

Memorial services will be announced at a later date, as well as a memorial fund, which is currently being established.

Pauls Funeral Home, Oberlin & Selden is in charge of arrangements. www.paulsfh.com.

Myrna Wilson

January 14, 1943 - December 11, 2010

Myrna L. Wilson, a longtime resident of Oberlin, died at Decatur County Hospital in Oberlin on Dec. 11, at the age of 67.

Myrna was born on Jan. 14, 1943, in Oberlin, to Gilford and Lois (Nicodemus) Fisher.

She attended Oberlin schools and graduated from Decatur Community High School in 1960. She had worked as a switchboard operator and personnel manager for AT&T before her retirement. She was a member of the Oberlin American Legion Auxiliary.

She was preceded in death by her parents and infant sister, Sally Fisher.

Survivors included two sons, Rocky Cooper and Kevin and

Lauren Cooper, Oberlin; three brothers, Roger and Cindy Fisher, Jamestown, N.D., Rollie and Michelle Fisher, Aurora, Colo. and Rod and Jan Fisher, Tulsa, Okla.; a sister, Sandy and Charles Moore, Topeka; four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Memorial services will be held Saturday, Dec. 18 at 1:30 p.m. at Pauls Funeral Home in Oberlin with Rev. Judy Stricker officiating. Burial will be in the Oberlin Cemetery. A memorial was established in her name. Contributions may be sent to the funeral home, 121 N. Penn. Oberlin, KS. 67749.

Arrangements are by Pauls Funeral Home of Oberlin.

Student News

More than 8,500 Kansas State University students have been awarded academic scholarships for the 2010-2011 school year. In all, K-State students have received more than \$16 million in scholarships.

Most of the scholarships are made possible through donations and gifts to the Kansas State University Foundation.

Local K-State students receiving scholarships totaling more than \$1,000 include:

Lenora: Timothy Scott Becker, Art Glade Milling Science Scholarship, Charles D. Singelton, Scholarship in Grain Science and Industry and Timothy Scott Becker, O.J. Van Vranken Memorial and Ark River Bend Chapter, Soil Conservation Society of America, Scholarship Fund

Norton: Jared Alan Engelbert, Business Administration Dean's Scholarship and The Maurice E. Fager Memorial Scholarship; Tonielle Myriah Fiscus, Dane Hansen Foundation Scholarship and Foundation Scholarship; Marcus John Herman, Dane Hansen Foundation Scholarship, Dean's Choice Scholarship and McCain Commemorative Scholarship; Preston Eriel Herman, James T. Jackson Memorial Scholarship, Paul B. and Sandra M. Edgerley Business Administration Leadership Scholarship and Wendell and Pauline Gardner Honors Scholarship; Kara Jo Lanelle Jones, Arts & Sciences Excellence, Dane Hansen Foundation Scholarship and June D. Hull Sherrid Cancer Center Scholarship and Education Fund; Kyle Benjamin Mindrup, Dane Hansen Foundation Scholarship and Engineering Scholarship;

Prairie View: Kyle Lucas Merklein, Wicks Civic Leadership Scholarship
Stuttgart: Colin Austin Kirchoff, Dale A. Rodman Alpha Gamma Rho Agriculture Leadership Scholarship and Dane Hansen Foundation Scholarship.

Logan: Tiffany Lyn Clements, Achievement Award and Dane Hansen Foundation Scholarship; Raeann Pinkerton, Achievement Award, Dane Hansen Foundation Scholarship, Salina Scholarship-Housing and Salina Scholarship-Tuition; Landon Schneider, Activity Scholarship and Phebe Bissell Memorial Scholarship in Agriculture

Amanda Richelle Ray, Calvin H. Grove Scholarship, Dane Hansen Foundation Scholarship and Leadership Scholarship; Bethany Lynn Roy, Dane Hansen Foundation Scholarship, Dr. Richard and Marcia Petracek Wiltfong Family Scholarship, Elvon G. and Lydia E. Skeen Education Fund and Henry J. Putnam Memorial Scholarship; Katharine Christine Roy, Phebe Bissell Memorial Scholarship in Human Ecology

Prairie View: Kyle Lucas Merklein, Wicks Civic Leadership Scholarship

Stuttgart: Colin Austin Kirchoff, Dale A. Rodman Alpha Gamma Rho Agriculture Leadership Scholarship and Dane Hansen Foundation Scholarship.

Guy's Nite at Garden Gate!
MONDAY, DEC. 20, 2010
5:30 P.M.-7:30 P.M.
Pizza - Pepsi - Package Wrapping

Just for guys, find those special gifts, have a snack and have it all wrapped up in time for Christmas (Only 4 more days!!)

Garden Gate Florals Etc.
Hwy. 36 - Norton
Next to Dairy Queen

FYI

There were three tables at Duplicate Bridge on Wednesday. First place went to Jackie Porter and Joyce Sumner; second went to Myron Veh and Jerry Moritz; third place went to Bob Jones and David Graham.

Senior Menu

December 20: Sloppy Joes, macaroni and cheese, California blend vegetables, bun, cook's choice fruit.

December 21: Ham, au gratin potatoes, corn, dinner roll, cranberry and apples salad, pumpkin bars or cake.

December 22: Tuna salad, tomato soup, peaches, bread, cookie

December 23: Sausage gravy, potato rounds, green beans, biscuit, apricots.

December 24: The Senior Center will be closed for Christmas Eve. No meals will be served.

The requested contribution is \$3 per meal. Please make checks payable to Homestead Nutrition Project.

Guests under the age of 60 must pay full cost of the meal.

Cost for under 60 is \$5.25 at the site and \$5.75 for home delivered.

American Legion Auxiliary Welcomes Everyone to dine with us for our Sunday Buffet 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Open Sunday, December 26

THURSDAY NIGHTS: 5:00 TO 9:00 P.M.
Members and Guests Welcome
- OPEN NEW YEAR'S EVE -
We Cater Parties

Let's Go to the Movie

Showing at the
NORTON THEATRE

The Chronicles of Narnia: The Voyage of the Dawn Treader
(PREMIERE MOVIE) 2 Hours, 3 Minutes (PG)
Fri. and Sat.: 8:00 p.m.; Sunday: 5:00 p.m.
Mon., Tues. and Wed.: 7:00 p.m.
Christmas Eve (Fri., Dec. 24): 2:30 p.m.
Christmas Day (Sat., Dec. 25): 7 & 9:10 p.m.

Yogi Bear
(Presented in Digital Surround Sound)
1 Hour, 35 Minutes (Premiere) (PG)

Only premiere passes accepted for Yogi Bear The Chronicles of Narnia

Yogi Bear is the Premiere Price of \$7.00 and \$6.00-No Sunday Discount
Chronicles of Narnia Premiere Price of \$7.00 and \$6.00-No Sunday Discount

COMING SOON

PREMIERING IN NORTON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 29 GULLIVER'S TRAVELS

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