

OBITUARIES

Barbara Jean Gilhousen

Jan. 11, 1919 - Nov. 6, 2012

Barbara Jean Gilhousen, 93, passed from her earthly life on Nov. 6, 2012 in Overland Park. As she begins her new life, she is remembered for the full and active time she spent as a wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and member of her community.

Barbara was born in Grand Junction, Colo., the daughter of Mamie Carmine Marshall and adopted at a very early age by Dr. W. H. Marshall who loved and raised her as his own. She moved as a young girl to Norton, where she attended Norton schools until her junior year in high school when the family moved to Russell. She graduated from Russell High School in 1936, but also considered herself a part of the Norton Class of 1936 and attended the class reunions of both schools. While in Russell, she worked at Dawson Drug Store, where her two crowning achievements were training a young Bob Dole to work in the soda fountain and meeting Fred L. Gilhousen. Barbara and Fred were married on June 2, 1937, and made their home in Russell until returning to Norton prior to Fred's enlistment to serve in World War II.

Barbara worked for many years as an executive secretary, first for Western Adjustment

Bureau, later as the first employee of Valley Hope where she served in many capacities for the first 10 years of Valley Hope's existence, and finally as church secretary of the Norton Methodist Church. She was also active in the community, proudly serving as a Red Cross Gray Lady, a Cub Scout leader, and as a member of the United Methodist Church. She later joined the Episcopal Church, where she was an eager participant at both Trinity Church, Norton, and Church of the Transfiguration, Logan.

Barbara was also an avid and accomplished bridge player, enjoying the company of many bridge partners in Norton and playing in duplicate bridge tournaments both nationally and internationally. She also had a thirst for knowledge and travel, which took her to many places throughout the world by air, land and sea. She was an amazing, quick-witted, sometimes feisty, and loving person who expressed those qualities in many facets of her life. She was also a caring person, especially toward her family and many friends, and expressed that caring capacity literally to the day of her death. As her health began to fail in her last two years of her life, she retained a love of

the life she had and was strong in her faith of the life that would follow. Her entry into Heaven has probably changed it forever!

Barbara was preceded in death by her parents, a brother, and her husband of 45 years, Fred L. Gilhousen who died Dec. 12, 1982. She leaves three sons, Frederic and Carolyn of Lake Quivira; Dennis and Laura of Mission; and James of Wichita. She also leaves seven grandchildren, whom she smothered with love: Allison Alvine, Mathew Gilhousen, Ben Gilhousen, Carrie Gilhousen, Sarah Johnson, Cassie Gilhousen, Brian Gilhousen and four step-grandchildren, Joseph Lorimor and Jacob, Jarrod and Jodi Ward. She also bragged to anyone who would listen about her 16 great-grandchildren.

A family memorial service was held Nov. 10, 2012, in the chapel of St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church, Mission, and a graveside service will be held in Norton at a yet undetermined time in the future.

Those wishing to make a memorial contribution in honor of Barbara may send it to The Norton Public Library or a charity of their personal choosing.

Engagement Announcement

Lana Pleak of Blair, Neb. and Charles and Judy Pleak of Oakland, Iowa along with Cheryl McMurry and Kevin McMurry of Lincoln, Neb. would like to announce the engagement of their children Megan Marie and Dustin Michael. Grandparents of the couple are Ruby Pflieger of Norton, Dean and Sue McMurry of Boulder, Colo., and Myrledean Govier of Omaha, Neb.

The couple are planning a late November wedding.



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John E. Keenan

April 27, 1948 - Nov. 11, 2012

John E. Keenan, Oberlin, died at his home on Nov. 11, 2012 at the age of 64.

John was born on April 27, 1948 to Neil John and Imogene (Johnston) Keenan in Oberlin and was raised in Jennings. John graduated from Jennings High School with the Class of 1966. He also attended Central College in McPherson and Fort Hays State University. John served his country in the U.S. Navy and resided in Oberlin since 1976. He was a member of the United Methodist Church in Jennings and was a truck driver for Beaver Valley Supply and Halliburton in Oberlin.

John is preceded in death by his father, Neil Keenan.

He is survived by his mother, Imogene Keenan of Jennings; two daughters, Ruth Schillig (Dave

Shearer) of Almena and Jeana Cozad (Pat Pomeroy) of Norton; brother, Jim (Letitia) Keenan of Oakley; sisters, Janeil Dilling of Goodland and Jana (Frank) Slansky of Stockton; and four grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 14 at Pauls Funeral Home in Oberlin at 10 a.m. Burial will follow at the Jennings Cemetery in Jennings.

Contributions can be made to the John Keenan Memorial Fund.

Visitation will be from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday and from 8 a.m. until service time on Wednesday. Visit www.paulsfh.com.

Pauls Funeral Home in Oberlin is in charge of arrangements.

Glenna Gayle (Thompson) Noone-Dean

Aug. 12, 1928 - Nov. 6, 2012

Glenna Gayle (Thompson) Noone-Dean was born Aug. 12, 1928 in rural Norton County on a homestead near Edmond to Homer and Nelle (Dean) Thompson. She departed this life on Nov. 6, 2012 in Logan at the age of 84.

Gayle was raised on the farm near Edmond with her two siblings, Hope and "Pete." She attended school at Edmond graduating with the class of 1946. After graduation she worked as a switchboard operator for the Edmond Telephone Company.

On Aug. 12, 1947, she was united in marriage to W.I. "Bill" Noone at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in New Almelo. The couple continued to make their home in New Almelo until 1955, at which time they moved to a farm south of Densmore. They were blessed with three children: Thomas, Kaylene and Robert.

Gayle was a farmer's wife, always favoring her blue jeans and never afraid to get her hands dirty, helping Bill with cattle and any other chores needing done on the farm. She loved the outdoors and their dogs, cats and other animals found around the place. Gayle was an excellent seamstress (when not cursing her sewing machine) making clothes, curtains, etc., for her kids and grandkids.

She and Bill loved to travel when they got the opportunity, venturing to Europe, Hawaii and many other places across the U.S. They also always enjoyed having their children and grandchildren visit them on the farm. Gayle and Bill continued to live on and work the farm until his death on July 2, 1988.

Gayle remained on the farm until she married Dale "Doc" Dean on Jan. 11, 1991 in Logan. Gayle then moved to Stockton, where she and "Doc" enjoyed many happy memories together. They also traveled a great deal, going on cruises and spending the cold winter months in Arizona several times. Gayle enjoyed her flower beds and their home in Stockton showcased her green thumb.

Over the years, Gayle was a member of St. Mary's Altar Society of Densmore, St. John's Church Choir, Norton County EHU, and Norton County Democratic Women's Association. Other activities included selling Avon and Mary Kay products and listening to music.

Gayle was preceded in death by her parents, Homer and Nelle; her sister, Hope; her husband, Bill; and an infant grandson, Daren.

She is survived by a brother, Pete Thompson of Moore, Okla.; her son, Thomas Noone and wife, Normadine of Hays; daughter Kaylene and husband, Butch Davis of Catherine; and son Robert Noone and wife, Janell of Logan; along with seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Logan Manor.

A scriptural wake service was held on Thursday, Nov. 8 at the Logan Funeral Home and a mass of Christian burial was held on Friday, Nov. 9 at St. John's Catholic Church with Father George Chalbhagam officiating.

Burial was at Mt. Calvary Cemetery in Densmore.

Wayne L. Kern

May 6, 1947 - Nov. 8, 2012

CWO5 Wayne L. Kern, U.S. Army (Retired), 65, died on Thursday, Nov. 8, in Raleigh, N.C. after a prolonged battle with lung cancer. He was born on May 6, 1947 in Smith Center. Shortly after graduating from Norton Community High School Class of 1965, he joined the Kansas Army National Guard. In May of 2007, he retired from the National Guard Bureau Headquarters, Arlington, Va, after 43 years of dedicated service to our country, with tours of duty in Germany and Camp Arifjan, Kuwait. He received numerous awards and citations, including: the Meritorious Service Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, the Army Achievement Medal and the National Defense Service Medal. He was then employed as a civilian military contractor with CACI until his passing.

He was preceded in death by his father, Max M. Kern, and his grandparents, Ed and Ethyl Kern and William and Grace Goodell.

He leaves behind, his wife of 20 years, A. Heather Kern of Wendell, N.C. Survivors also include: mother Virginia Kern of Wyoming, Mich.; daughter Kelli Kern-Denner and her husband Bob Denner of Gardner; sisters Jeannette Walters and Carolyn Templeman and her

husband Steven; brother, Kevin Kern and his wife Alison. His extended family included many cousins, nieces and nephews.

He earned many loyal friends and was highly respected amongst his fellow soldiers and co-workers. We are all deeply saddened, as he, and former wife Cheri L. Kern, had hoped to meet his first grandchild due to arrive in early June of 2013. Wayne will be missed terribly and remembered fondly. Be with God, Wayne.

Visitation will be held from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 15, at the McGilley &

Hoge Chapel, 8024 Santa Fe Dr., Overland Park, KS.

Funeral Services will be held on Friday, Nov. 16 at 10 a.m., at Legacy Christian Church, 10150 Antioch, Overland Park, KS.

Burial will follow at 2:30 p.m., at U.S. National Cemetery #1, Fort Scott, KS.

In lieu of flowers, please participate by sending donations in memory of Wayne Kern to: U.S. Army Caisson Platoon Equine Assisted Programs at their website: www.cpeap.org or contact Larry Pence, LPPENCE@wild-blue.net

Dean Francis Kruse

Nov. 7, 1929 - Nov. 9, 2012

Dean Francis Kruse, son of Frank and Anna (Schmitt) Kruse, was born Nov. 7, 1929 in McCook, Neb., and passed away at the Norton County Hospital in Norton, on Nov. 9, 2012, at the age of 83.

Dean grew up in Leoville, Kansas, attended the Leoville schools and Ft. Hays State College. He entered the U.S. Army on March 27, 1953 and served during the Korean War until March 26, 1961. Following his discharge from the Army, he moved to Tulsa, Okla., where he was employed doing specialty abrasive sales. He later moved to Almena, where he was the operations manager at the Calvert Mines for many years. In 1995, he was elected a Norton County Commissioner and served in this capacity until

2007. Following his retirement, he moved to Norton where he lived until his death.

Survivors include: two brothers and their wives, Max and Lynn Kruse, Weslaco, Texas; and Dave and Sylvia Kruse, Selden; one sister, Joan Glotzbach, Topeka; several nieces and nephews, other relatives, and friends.

Dean was preceded in death by his parents and one sister, Elaine Chambers.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 14 at 10 a.m. at Enfield Funeral Home, 215 W. Main, Norton. Burial will follow at Mt. Calvary Cemetery in Leoville.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Norton BB Gun program and Mt. Calvary Cemetery in Leoville.

Friends may call at the Enfield Funeral Home on Tuesday, Nov. 13, from 3-8 p.m.

Arrangements are by Enfield Funeral Home of Norton.

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Duplicate Bridge

There were three tables for Duplicate Bridge played Wednesday night at Norton Manor. First place went to David Graham and Jerry Moritz and second place went to the team of Joyce Sumner and Jackie Porter.

