

OBITUARIES

Jeremey James 'J.J.' Courtain

April 28, 1977 - Jan. 11, 2013

Jeremey James "J.J." Courtain, son of Kim (Courtain) Linner, was born April 28, 1977 in Norton. He died at his residence in Norton, Jan. 11, 2013. Jeremey grew up in the Norton and Almena communities. He enjoyed driving trucks when he could lightly apply the pedal to the metal. His greatest joy in life was his children and family.

Survivors include his children, son Jesse Courtain and daughter Macie Courtain; his parents Kim and Roger Linner; his grandmother Ila Courtain-Marble; his siblings Tyler, Turner, Thunder, Dani, HalLee, and Ehme; nephew Tyson; extended family including Philip (Gerry) Loughry, aunts Patty (Jim) Kauten, Cindy (Randy) Linner and Joyce (Doyle) Brooks; other aunts, uncles, cousins and numerous friends.

J.J. was preceded in death by his grandfathers, Darwin Loughry, Gil Courtain and Ron Marble, his grandmother Annabelle Linner, his great-

grandparents, Frank and Lucille Hoover, Alvah and Ivelyn Loughry, and Yvonne Courtain; great-great-grandmother Florence Loughry, uncle Gilbert M. Courtain II and Alan Loughry, nieces Kandis and Kayla Kauten, and special "dad" Rod Arehart.

Memorial services were held at 10:30 a.m. on Jan. 21, 2013 at Enfield Funeral Home in Norton with Philip Loughry officiated and inurnment followed at Mount Hope Cemetery in Almena. Lunch was served following the ceremonies at the Almena Community Building.

A special thank you to everyone for their expressions of sympathy in cards, gifts, food, hugs, and for their care of both J.J. and his family. A difficult time made bearable by the love and warmth of the Norton and Almena communities and their extra-special residents.

Family of J. J. Courtain

August Joseph 'Augie' Herman Jr.

Oct. 21, 1936 - Jan. 18, 2013

August Joseph "Augie" Herman Jr., age 76, passed away Friday, Jan. 18, 2013 at his home. He was born Oct. 21, 1936 on the family farm south of Ellis, to August and Mary (Kisner) Herman Sr. He graduated from Ellis High School in 1954. He married Sandra Ashbaugh on May 12, 1956 in Ellis at St. Mary's Catholic Church.

Augie was a farmer and stockman. He was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church and the Knights of Columbus both in Ellis. He was a long time member of Ellis Country Club where he enjoyed golfing and playing pinocle. He was also an avid snooker player.

He is survived by his wife, Sandra of Ellis; three sons, Timothy Herman and fiancé Kaylin Stolz, Danny Herman and wife Jenna and Galen Herman and wife Annette all of Hays; two



daughters, Kimberly Thomason and husband Michael of Hays and Tammy Gottschalk and husband Loran of Ellis; two brothers, George Herman and wife Charlene of Abilene and Kenneth Herman and wife Ruth of Topeka; a sister Rosita Augustine of Topeka; nine grandchildren, including Brandon Herman and his wife Lisa of Norton, and four great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a son, Theodore Herman; three brothers, Marvin, Paul and Ralph Herman; and three sisters, Mary Ryder, Matilda Markos and Ann Whitney.

Services will be on Wednesday, Jan. 23, 2013 at St. Mary's Church in Ellis at 10 a.m.

Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Visitation will be Tuesday from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Ellis.

A rosary service will be Tuesday at 7 p.m. followed by a parish vigil service at the church.

Arrangements in care of Keithley Funeral Chapel 400 E. 17th, Ellis, KS 67637.

Memorials are suggested to St. Mary's School or Hospice at Hays Medical Center.

Donna Mae Goss

Feb. 5, 1934 - Jan. 14, 2013

Donna Mae Goss, daughter of Clarence and Sarah (Monie) Witt, was born Feb. 5, 1934, in Cedar Bluffs, and passed away at the Hillcrest Nursing Home in McCook, Neb., on Jan. 14, 2013, at the age of 78.

Donna grew up in the Cedar Bluffs and Oberlin communities, attending the schools in Oberlin. On June 14, 1953, she married Bill Goss in Lyle, Kansas. She was a housewife most of her life.

Survivors include: two daughters, JoAnn Class, Englewood, Colo., and Rhonda Peterson,

Greeley, Colo.; three sons, Ronnie Goss, Denver, Colo.; Donnie Goss, Albuquerque, N.M.; and Jimmy Goss, Oberlin; 10 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; other relatives and many friends.

Donna was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, and one sister, Eileen.

Memorial services will be held later this spring.

Arrangements are with Enfield Funeral Home in Norton.

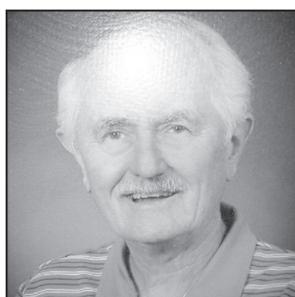
Ernest H. Allen

March 20, 1935 - Jan. 20, 2013

Ernest H. Allen, of Lindsborg, passed away Jan. 20, 2013 at the age of 77. He was born March 20, 1935, the son of Guy L. and Beulah Fern (Underwood) Allen in Norton.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and step-mother, Olive (Harmon) Allen.

Ernie is survived by his sons: Guy (Melanie) Allen of Salina, Mike Allen of Lindsborg, daughter, Laura (Tom) Willems of Windom, brother, Dr. Ronald D. (Eloise) Allen of Green Valley, Ariz., and grandchildren:



Seth and Emma Allen, and Jake and Morgan Willems.

A memorial service will be

held at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, Jan. 24 at Trinity United Methodist Church, Lindsborg. A private family burial will be at Elmwood Cemetery, Lindsborg.

Memorials may be designated for Trinity United Methodist Church or Tammy Walker Cancer Center in care of Christians Funeral Home 103 N. Washington Street P. O. Box 386 Lindsborg, KS.

There will be no visitation. Online condolences at www.christiansfuneralhome.com.

Evelyn Lemon

Jan. 12, 1920 - Jan. 18, 2013

Evelyn Lemon of Norton (formerly of Lenora) died on Friday, Jan. 18, 2013 at the Andbe Home in Norton at the age of 93.

The daughter of Morret 'Mac' and Francis (Edinborough) Leidig, Evelyn was born on Jan. 12, 1920 in Graham County.

She was raised in Graham and Norton counties and attended Lenora High School and Fort Hays State University.

Evelyn's first husband was killed in action in World War II. She later married Bernard Lemon on May 1, 1946 and they resided in Lenora. Evelyn would move to Norton in 2002. She attended the Lenora Church of God and was the secretary at Lenora Grade School.

She is survived by her sons, Wayne (Barbara) Lemon of Emporia and Robin (Shari) Lemon of Bozeman, Mont.; daughters, Elaine (Dale) Dannefer of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, Shari (Vic) Ramsey of Norton, and Ronda (David) Hales of Larned; brother, Louis Leidig of Abilene; and 11 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

A memorial service was held on Tuesday, Jan. 22 at the Lenora Church of God in Lenora. Burial followed at Lenora Cem-

etery.

Memorial contributions are suggested to Lenora Church of God and the Norton Public Library.

Pauls Funeral Home in Oberlin is in charge of arrangements.

FYI

'For Greater Glory,' the true story of Cristiada will be playing at the Norton Theater on Sunday, January 27 at 2 p.m. Starring Andy Garcia, Eva Longoria and Peter O'Toole. Admission is free.

Engagement Announcement

Rob and Debbie Lawson are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Charli Tahnea, to Andrew Gordon, son of Larry Joe and Diana Enfield.

Charli is preparing to graduate from Fort Hays State University in May with a Bachelor's of Science in Nursing. As a future registered nurse, she hopes to return to the rural community of Norton for work.

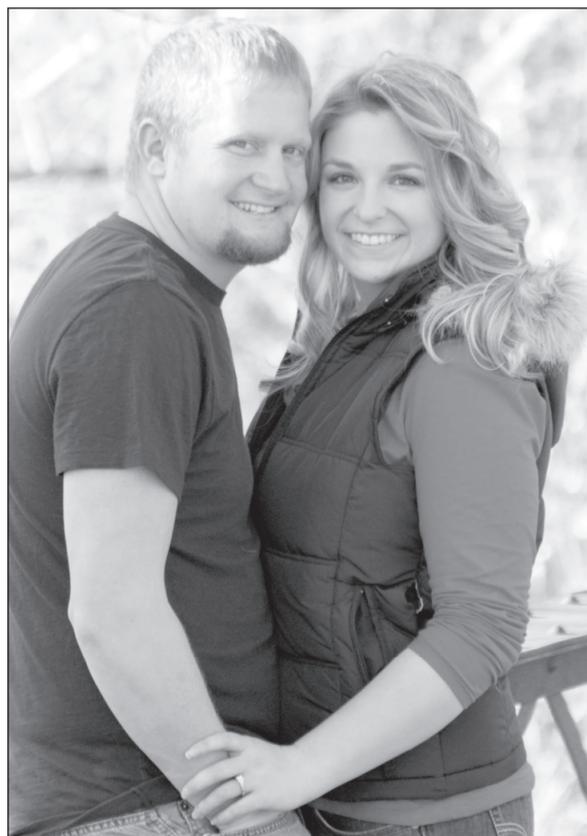
Andy received an Associate degree in Fire Science from Hutchinson Community College in 2006. He is currently the Norton City Fire Department Training Officer and also works at the Norton Glass Company.

Both are graduates of Norton Community High School.

Grandparents of the bride include: Bob and Dorothy Beckner and Elaine Lawson; both of Goodland.

Grandparents of the groom include: Darrell and JoAnn Boston and Larry and Vicki Enfield; both of Norton.

The couple is planning an Aug. 24, 2013 wedding.



A country kitchen on the farm

It fascinates me to wander around my children's' kitchens and see all the sparkling stainless steel appliances, cabinets, cupboards and drawers galore. My mind turns back in time to my Aunt Florence's kitchen on the farm, back in the days before REA* came to western Graham County.

It was the prime room in a four-square, four-room yellow limestone house 'way out on the Kansas prairie. The kitchen opened to the south and when you came in you turned to hang you barn coat on a row of hooks behind the door and kicked off your yard shoes. This corner always smelled faintly of manure, although barn boots were supposed to be left on the cement slab porch outside.

To the right was a deep-silled window and a small table with a bucket of fresh water, an enamel wash basin and a soap dish. A matching enamel dipper sat in the bucket and everyone drank from that dipper. Above this hung a mirror, the comb box and a small shelf for Uncle Jim's shaving mug and brush, which perfumed this corner with the scent of Larkin shaving soap. All personal grooming was done here for the bathroom was a wooden outhouse far down the path near a tumbledown machine shed.

A cast iron range dominated the northwest corner, complete with stovepipe, hot water reservoir, warming shelves full of plates and a kindling box. The center of the room was occupied by a large, rectangular table covered with oilcloth. Frequent scrubbing wore the pattern off both oilcloth and the linoleum floors alike so they weren't too pretty but they were sure clean. Along the west wall stood a rough wooden shelf holding a pump sink with a bucket strategically placed beneath it to catch any drips. On the north a narrow door led to a narrow storage room - the pantry.

Oh, that pantry! It held all the cooking supplies that had to be close at hand. It smelled of apples and spices and fresh bread, which was kept in a tin bread box. Everything in the pantry was in glass, tins or lidded crocks to keep it safe from mice. A

Child of the '40s

Liza Deines



tall blue flour barrel and a smaller green sugar tin had good tight lids and served as extra chairs on occasion, and excellent step stools for a little girl to reach the cookie tin.

It took a lot of trotting to get a meal on the table, so this little girl earned her cookies by running down the hill to the milk house for eggs, butter and milk, to the root cellar for potatoes or a jar of peaches, to the garden for fresh cucumbers.

Much of farm life revolved around that big, old table. Three hot meals a day were served on it and dishes were washed there afterward. Bowl after bowl of beans were snapped, potatoes peeled, pastry, noodles and cookies rolled out, bread kneaded, steak pounded and chickens cut up.

The table was also a design and media center. In the mornings Jim sat there, ear to his battery-powered radio, listening to the cattle prices over KFRM. Florence cut out dress patterns on the table, gave haircuts or permanents there when needed. Order blanks and checks went to Sears and Montgomery Ward for galoshes or girdles, machinery parts, wall paper rolls and, once in a great while, a piece of golden oak furniture or a chenille bedspread. One year Aunt Florence ordered a winter coat in that "new color", beige, which she pronounced "bee-gee".

By the yellow glow of a coal oil lamp my cousin did homework at the table in the evening while Jim worked on the farm books or read "Country Gentleman" and Florence crocheted. Pinochle cards also slid regularly across the oilcloth and a lot of political discussions nearly scorched its surface around election time. It was truly a multitasker in every sense of the word.

There was a living room in that farmhouse but real life was lived in the kitchen!

*NOTE: For those not familiar with REA, it stood for Rural Electrification Administration.

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HANSEN MUSEUM

The Dane G. Hansen Memorial Museum presents a dual showing "Brush Strokes by Bobbi Kerth" and "Paintings by Staci Hartman." The exhibit opened Dec. 7, 2012 and will run through Feb. 3, 2013.

Bobbi Kerth lives in Waukee. She paints in her home studio in the mediums of oil and watercolor. Her family and her love of nature are great inspirations for her award winning paintings.

Staci Hartman has spent the majority of her life in North Central Kansas in Logan. Her work shows typical scenes of rural life. She loves to travel and extend her subject venue. Her creative work is done in oil and pastel.

Our January Artist of The Month is Melissa Stramel from Colby. She will have on display patterns and books, sewing, crafting and recipes. Stop in and check out her many items.

Have you always wanted to learn to dance? Now is your chance! Kerry Ferguson from Kensington is instructing dance classes again this year on Sunday afternoons. They started

Jan. 6, and will run through Feb. 24. They are held at the Logan City Building with Beginning Dance from 2 - 3:30 p.m., and Advanced Dance from 3:30 - 5

pm. The cost is \$50 for single and \$90 for couples. Participants must be 13 years or older to participate.

Jan. 18 - Jan. 23

Showing at the

NORTON THEATRE

The Guilt Trip

(PG-13) - 1 Hour, 45 Minutes

Friday and Saturday: 8:00 p.m.
Sunday: 5:00 p.m.
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday: 7:00 p.m.

Lincoln

(PG-13)
2 Hours, 40 Minutes

The Guilt Trip and Lincoln are both non-premiere movies-\$3/tx on Sunday

The Guilt Trip is a non-premiere movie \$7.00 and \$6.00. \$3.00/tx on Sunday
Lincoln is a non-premiere movie - \$7.00 and \$6.00. \$3.00/tx on Sunday

Coming soon to the Norton Theatre:
Les Miserables (PG-13)
Sunday, January 20 and January 27-2:00 p.m. For Greater Glory (R)

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