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OBITUARIES

## Erna Schneider

Funeral service for Erna Anatha Schneider, 91, of Tyndall, South Dakota will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, April 11, 2015 at Goglin Funeral Home in Tyndall with Rev. Bill VanGerpen officiating. Burial will follow in the Immanuel Reformed Cemetery in rural Tripp. Casketbearers will be Billy Kaul, Dean Kaul, Danny Kaul, Austin Kaul, Taylor Kaul and Mike Sonne.

Visitation will be held from 3:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. on Friday, April 10 at the Goglin Funeral Home in Tyndall, with family present from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

Erna passed away on Thursday, April 9, 2015 at the Good Samaritan Society of Tyndall.

Funeral arrangements are being handled by the Goglin Funeral Home of Tyndall. Online condolences may be sent at [www.goglinfh.com](http://www.goglinfh.com).

Erna Anatha Schneider was born on Thursday, December 20, 1923 to Paul and Rosa (Dewald) Hieb in Hutchinson County, South Dakota. On January 30, 1947, Erna was united in marriage to Donald L. Schneider at Frieden's Reformed Church in Tripp and together they made their home on the farm north of Tyndall. Following Donald's passing in 1959, Erna continued to care for the farm. With the help of her daughters, they raised cattle, chickens and nurtured a large garden. As a farmwife and mother, Erna always provided for her family. Later in life, she moved into Tyndall. She loved to sew and made many hand-sewn quilts throughout the years. For a time she also worked as a seamstress for the dress shop in town as well as for many people in the community. Erna cherished her family, especially her grandchildren whose concerts and sporting events she rarely missed.

Erna passed away on Thursday, April 9, 2015 at the Good Samaritan Society of Tyndall having attained the age of 91 years, 3 months and 20 days.


She is survived and remembered by her four daughters: Donna (Vern) Kaul of Springfield, Rita (David) Jemming of Kalispell, MT, Wanda Schneider of Pleasanton, CA, and Barbara (Craig) Cromwell of Grant's Pass, OR; seven grandchildren; thirteen great-grandchildren; and one sister Lillian Burfeindt of Avon.

She was preceded in death by her husband Donald Schneider, parents, one brother and one grandson.

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### Goglin Funeral Home

Tyndall - Scotland - Tripp



[www.goglinfh.com](http://www.goglinfh.com)

## Ray Albright

After a long battle with Progressive Supranuclear Palsy, Ray Eugene Albright died on April 1, 2015, at the age of 76.

Ray E. Albright was born April 19, 1938, in Yankton, SD, to Eugene T. and Elizabeth (Heaton) Albright. He was educated in Yankton, graduating from Yankton High School in 1956.

Ray attended South Dakota School of Mines in Rapid City, SD, and then graduated from the University of Nebraska with a Bachelor of Science in military science and math. Ray then completed Navigator/Bombardier and Pilot Training for the U.S. Air Force.

Lt. Colonel Albright enjoyed a 23-year career serving his country in the Air Force as a Navigator/Bombardier first, then went on to follow his dream of becoming a Tactical Fighter Pilot, flying over 200 missions during the Vietnam War. As an F-4 Phantom Fighter Pilot, he was decorated with several awards, including the Distinguished Flying Cross with two Oak Leaf Clusters, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Combat Air Medal, Air Medal with six Oak Leaf Clusters and National Defense Medal.

Following his retirement from the Air Force, Ray lived in Fort Walton Beach, then in Saudi Arabia where he worked as a consultant to the Royal Saudi Air Force.


Ray married Renee Binder Doyle on April 18, 1992. They shared their life in Saudi Arabia, Fort Walton Beach, FL, Yankton, SD, and Goodyear, AZ. Ray enjoyed playing golf,

riding his Harley Davidson, and traveling. He leaves behind his wife of 23 years, Renee (Binder Doyle) Albright, his daughters, Michele Thomas and husband Jeffrey; daughters Sheryl Albright and Kathy Albright; granddaughters Brienne, Kristy and Raelynn; grandsons Kory, Christopher and Gabriel, and great grandson Presley. In addition, Ray left behind his stepchildren Jim and Helen Doyle; Jane Doyle; Carlon and Craig Fontaine, Michael and Heather Doyle, along with grandchildren Gareth, Meredith, Peter, Ethan, and Henry.

Ray was preceded in death by his parents, Gene and Betty Albright.

Arrangements for Ray's burial in Arlington National Cemetery are pending. Condolences can be left at [www.thompsonfuneralchapel.com/obituaries](http://www.thompsonfuneralchapel.com/obituaries).

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Yankton

# Chamber Presents Awards At Its Annual Banquet

The Yankton Chamber of Commerce presented three awards at its annual banquet last week, held at Minerva's/Kelly Inn.

**FRANK YAGGIE AWARD**

Larry Ness of Yankton was recently presented the Frank Yaggie Award by the Yankton Chamber of Commerce.

The Frank Yaggie Award is presented annually to an individual who has shown a total commitment to making Yankton the best that it can be. Their vision and dedication to the betterment of our community is evident through their daily lives, civic involvement and professional service.

Ness contributes to the growth and success of the area and promotes Yankton at every opportunity.

Born in Bell, California, and growing up in Sini, Ness graduated from Brookings High School. He graduated from South Dakota State University. In 1983 he accepted a job with First Dakota National Bank and it was then that he started to call Yankton his home. This individual has helped contribute to the financial needs of individuals, events, schools, non-profits, the arts and many more worthy causes. His generosity helps to make Yankton a great place to work and raise a family.

Ness's love of Yankton drives his passion for giving so much to our community. He leads by example and encourages his employees to become involved in the community as well. While reading an article about 3-D Printers that were being used in the education system, Ness thought, "Yankton School District should have some of those printers" and he made sure they did. He funded 5 & /6th grade basketball when funds were cut, he stepped up when The Boys & Girls Club needed a bigger facility, he is a supporter of the Meade Building, Lewis & Clark Theatre, Yankton Area Arts and he has also funded scholarships to local businesses for "boot camp" training.

From a leadership perspective, Ness has served on multiple boards including the Yankton Chamber of Commerce, Mount Marty College, SDSU Economic and Management Task Force, SDSU Foundation

**Tom Bohnet, left, of Applied Engineering is congratulated by Yankton Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors president Josh Svatos during the Chamber's annual banquet, he'd last week at Minerva's/Kelly Inn.**

Board, Mount Marty College Trustees, National Music Museum, Center for Western Studies National Advisory Council, South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks Foundation, South Dakota Heritage Foundation, South Dakota Gaming Commission, South Dakota Investment Council, Government Relations Council of American Bankers Association and the President of the South Dakota Bankers Association.

Ness is the Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board of First Dakota National Bank and President of First Dakota Financial Corporation.

**CORNERSTONE AWARD**

Tom Bohnet was recently presented the Cornerstone Award by the Yankton Area Chamber of Commerce.

The Yankton Area Chamber of Commerce Cornerstone Award is an award given to an individual who has played an integral role in helping the community and others. The individuals considered for this award make significant contributions to the community by selfless acts of time and contributions throughout their life in Yankton.

Bohnet is someone who truly exemplifies the Cornerstone description. He is a proud member of the Yankton Community and is always willing to donate time, talent and treasure to move Yankton and South Dakota forward. His passion is directed towards the

education and development of our workforce.

From a leadership perspective, Bohnet has served on multiple boards including South Dakota Workforce Development Council, Founder, Past Chairman and Board Member of RTEC, Board member of Yankton Area Progressive Growth, served on the Advisory Council for Mitchell Technical Institute, Past Board Member of the Chamber and much more. He selflessly gives to so many organizations.

Bohnet leads by example and encourages his employees to be active and involved in the community. His South Dakota roots run deep. He and his wife grew up near Burke. They left the state for career opportunities only to have the inescapable lure of the beauty of South Dakota and the "neighborliness" of its people draw them back. He initially worked for, then purchased a manufacturing company in Yankton and has since started another manufacturing-related company, also in Yankton.

Bohnet is the owner of Applied Engineering and Xpedition Archery.

**FAMILY BUSINESS OF THE YEAR**

The Wintz Funeral Home of Yankton was recently named the Family Business of the Year by the Yankton Area Chamber of Commerce.

In 1874, Fred Reifert, began a funeral business in St. Helena, Nebraska. In 1883 he moved his business

to Hartington and operated his funeral business and a furniture store out of a downtown building. In 1892 he purchased the property at what is now 203 West Franklin St. The larger, two story structure has continued to be operated as a funeral home since that time. In 1921 Fred passed away and his son George, along with Fred's daughters, Clara and Lucille, continued to operate the business. Another son, Ralph, joined the family business in 1932.

It was in March 1947 that a 30-year-old named Richard Wintz, and his wife Katherine, purchased the business from the Reifert family. In 1958, Richard added a more modern funeral chapel to the original structure. In 1960, the house was remodeled to add additional living quarters to the west side of the two-story home. Richard and Katherine raised nine children here.

They sold their downtown furniture store in 1962, and at that time purchased the Smith-Reichendeifer Funeral Home in Hartington and Coleridge. In 1963 the Home Theater building in Crofton was purchased from the Kostel family and remodeled into a funeral chapel.

Richard's oldest son, Jim, and his wife Carla, joined the family business in July of 1975. On February 10, 1981, Richard died of lung cancer. In August of 1985 Richard's youngest son, Jerry, joined the family business. His wife Kristi began helping after their marriage in 1987.

In January of 2000, the Wintz brothers merged their business with the Ray Funeral Chapel in Yankton and in August 2002 Jim's oldest son, Paul, became a third generation funeral director in the family business. Jim's third son, Steve, followed suit when he also joined the business in April 2004. Paul and Steve both live in Yankton and work at the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Yankton.

Since 1892 there has been a funeral business located at 203 West Franklin St. in Hartington. The Reifert family operated the business for 55 years and now the Wintz family has been serving the area for 61 years. We believe that few businesses can claim that only two families have operated the same business for 116 years.

## Yankton Cribbage Club To Meet

The next gathering of the Yankton Cribbage Club season will be on Monday, April 13, with registration at 6:30 p.m. at the Yankton VFW, 209 Cedar.

All interested cribbage players 18 and older are invited to attend. Each person will play nine full games of cribbage with a \$5 entry fee, and 100 percent payback.

For more information, send an e-mail to [sports-gkvnt1450.com/](mailto:sports-gkvnt1450.com/).

## Yankton Library Takes Part In Nationwide Celebration Called 'Ultimate Possibilities'

During National Library Week from April 12-18, the Yankton Community Library, 515 Walnut Street, will take part in a nationwide celebration of libraries with the theme Unlimited Possibilities at your library. On Monday, April 13, the Proclamation for National Library Week will be read at the City Commission meeting by Mayor Dave Carda and accepted by library director Kathy Wibbels.

You are invited to the library all week long to take part in the following events:

- Read the patron poetry display;

- View the Yankton High School art student book sculptures;
- Participate in our Make and Take art projects using pages from old, discarded books;
- Attend story/toddler times: pajama party theme with jammies welcome on Monday at 6:30 p.m.; and Wednesday/Thursday at 10:15 a.m.;
- Attend Minute-To-Win-It for after school students,

3:45 p.m. on Thursday, April 16;

- Attend our author talk and book signing by Verdigre, Nebraska, author Angela Vesley, on April 16, 6:30 p.m.;
- Donate blood on Friday, April 17, from 9 a.m.-1 p.m., through the LifeServe Blood Bank.

For more information, contact the library at 668-5276.

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