

OBITUARIES

Rachel Frank

Rachel Frank, 90, of Yankton, and formerly of Tripp, passed away on Sunday, December 27, 2015 at Avera-Sister James Care Center in Yankton.

Visitation will be held at Goglin Funeral Home in Tripp on Wednesday, December 30 from 3:00 p.m. until a 7:00 p.m. prayer service there; family will be present from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

Funeral service will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, December 31 at Frieden's Reformed Church, Tripp with Rev. Greg Way officiating. Burial will follow in the Frieden's Reformed Cemetery, Tripp. Rachel's grandchildren and great-grandchildren will be the active and honorary casket-bearers.

Funeral arrangements

are being handled by the Goglin Funeral Home of Tripp. Online condolences may be sent at www.goglinfh.com.

Rachel Frank was born on Monday, January 19, 1925 to Otto H. and Martha (Huber) Griess in rural Sutton, Nebraska. She attended country school through the 8th grade. On March 25, 1946, Rachel was united in marriage to Alfred E. Frank in Belleville, Kansas. Together they lived and farmed near Avon and Tripp for over 50 years. Having lived through the Dust Bowl, Great Depression and World War II, Rachel was a strong and resilient woman. She was a hardworking farmwife and a loving mother to five children. She was a member of the Paul Grossheusch V.F.W. Post #2966 Auxiliary of Scotland and Frieden's Reformed Church of Tripp.



Rachel Frank

Alfred and Rachel enjoyed traveling, especially when the destination was the homes of their children or dear friends. They journeyed the East Coast, Arizona, Pennsylvania, Colorado and Rachel even battled her fear of mountains and heights to visit her daughter and her family in Montana. Nothing was more important to Rachel than her family.

In 1998, Alfred and Rachel retired and made their

home in Yankton. She treasured her neighbors and the friendship that blossomed between them. Rachel was a woman of dignity and social grace that quickly became the neighborhood's adoptive Grandma who was always there to offer kind advice and help. She was affectionately called "Grandma Rachel" by the neighborhood children who enjoyed their shared times of cards, crafts, games, puzzles and the numerous goodies and treats that Rachel would bake for them. She was witty, had a good sense of humor and quick to laugh. Rachel was a beautiful woman inside and out who was generous in hugs, love, food and laughter.

On November 25, 2015, Rachel made the hard decision to move into the Avera-Sister James Care Center in Yankton due to her

declining health. Throughout her life, Rachel loved music, yodeling and singing. Though it was difficult in her condition, she gifted her family with a beloved memory for years to come by singing Silent Night in German on Christmas Day. At the age of 90 years, 11 months and eight days on Sunday, December 27, Rachel was welcomed into Heaven.

Grateful for having shared her life and love are her children: Gary (Kathy) Frank of Avon, Dennis (Janet) Frank of Des Moines, IA, Kenneth (Madge) Frank of Waterbury Center, VT, Judith (John) Mulder of New York City, NY and Mary (Erik) Schertel of Libby, MT; grandchildren: Stacy, Kelcey, Gary A., Jared, Ryan, Jesse, Josiah, Jonathan, Cindy, Angela, Dawn, Maggie, and Rachel; 29 great-

grandchildren; brothers: Johnny Griess and Curt (Nadine) Griess; sisters: Elsie (Ewald) Oschner and Salome (John) Korb; and sister-in-law Frieda Nelson.

She was preceded in death by her husband Alfred in 2006, parents, great-grandchild Jayden Jager, siblings: Ephraim (Hilda) Griess, Ruth (Gideon) Redler, and Danny (Beverly) Griess, and sister-in-law Mildred Griess.

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Eirleen Foss

Eirleen D. Foss, age 87 of Menno passed away on Sunday, December 27, 2015 at the Menno-Olivet Care Center, Menno.



Foss

Memorial Services will be at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, January 2, 2016 at Salem Reformed Church, Menno with Rev. Michael Hecht officiating. Immediately following the service a luncheon will be held at the church. Burial of her cremated remains will be in the Rosehill Cemetery, Scotland.

Visitations will be 5-7 p.m. Friday, January 1 at the Salem Reformed Church, Menno with a 7 p.m. prayer service. Visitations will resume one hour prior to

the service at the church. Honorary Urn Bearers will be her grandchildren: Krista (Baker) Becker, Tim Baker, Jason Foss, Jonathan Foss, Kimberly (Foss) Hansen and Kyle Foss.

Eirleen (Johnson) Foss was born June 18, 1928 at Viborg, SD to Alice (Nielsen) and Carl Johnson. She was raised in a Christian home, baptized and as a young woman confirmed her faith in Christ as her savior. She was a member of Our Savior's Lutheran Church, rural Menno and later years at Zion Lutheran Church in Scotland, SD.

She was raised on a farm near Viborg, SD along with her brother, Verle, and five sisters: Maggie, Margie, Shirley, Ruby and Janice. Eirleen was Homecoming Queen at Viborg High School where she graduated in 1946.

Eirleen married Palmer Foss of Lesterville, SD, on

May 4, 1948. Palmer proudly referred to her as the "best thing that ever happened to him"! They were married until the time of his death on February 9, 2013. Throughout their nearly 65 years together, they remained each other's best friend and advocate. Their love and dedication has been obvious by all who have known them.

Eirleen worked part-time for Moore Legal and Tax Services during tax preparation season and also for the Scotland Journal, where in both cases her eyes were the final set of eyes to locate and correct any unintended errors. Palmer claimed her as the smartest person he ever knew, never having to write down a phone number and always being able to recall on demand.

Her full-time attention was given to faithfully supporting her husband Palmer and their children

Karen (Foss) Baker and Jerry Foss. She loyally participated with Palmer in a lifelong farming career plus his many hobbies. Eirleen was always available to help at church, teaching Sunday School, Vacation Bible School, or serving with Ladies Aid. She thoroughly enjoyed all the household duties including sewing clothes for her family, growing flowers and preparing meals. Anyone that ever visited their home can attest to her relentless insistence of coming inside for at least some coffee and dessert. Her greatest joy was that of raising their two children (Karen and Jerry), and greatly enjoyed spending time with their grandchildren and great grandchildren. She especially loved the babies!

In October 2008, after Palmer was no longer able to care for her advanced Alzheimer's disease, Eirleen

had to leave the farm and moved into the Menno-Olivet Care Center where she resided until the time of her death.

Eirleen is survived by her daughter, Karen (Foss) Baker of Yankton, SD; son Jerry and his wife Carol (Becvar) Foss of Victoria, MN. 6 Grandchildren: Krista (Baker) Becker and her husband Travis of Yankton, SD; Tim Baker of Yankton, SD; Jason and wife Catherine (Fitch) Foss, Forest Lake, MN; Jonathan and his wife Jenna (Kotlarz) Foss of Shakopee, MN; Kimberly (Foss) and her husband Tyler Hansen of Jordan, MN; and Kyle Foss of Santa Monica, CA. 12 Great-grandchildren: Ashli, Chloe, Tori, and Zachary Becker, Yankton, SD; Cristian and Mykaela Foss (and Quinn Foss, due to arrive in February) of Forest Lake, MN; Selah Foss, of Shakopee, MN and Paxton, Maddex, Elyza and Emzley

Hansen of Jordan, MN. Eirleen is also survived by her sister Janice (Johnson) Lehr and husband Elton Lehr of Menno, SD and her sister-in-law Elizabeth (Kautz) Foss of Minnetonka, MN.

She was preceded in death by her husband Palmer, her parents Alice and Carl Johnson, her brother Verle Johnson, four sisters and their husbands: Maggie Johnson, Margie (Allen) Simonsen, Shirley (Lewis) Daggett, and Ruby (Leon Edelman) Lehr and also by her mother and father-in-law, Ingeborg and Jarle Foss and brother-in-law, Wilbur Foss.

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Task Force On Community Justice And Mental Illness Early Intervention Appointed

PIERRE — In November, Chief Justice David Gilbertson announced his intention to form a task force to examine the issues surrounding people with mental illness entering the criminal justice system. The call for a task force to study this issue was also supported by Gov. Dennis Daugaard and state and local government leaders.

The Task Force will consist of representatives from all three branches of government, local government, criminal justice stakeholder groups and mental health stakeholder groups.

The membership will be as follows:

- Chief Justice David Gilbertson (Chair), South Dakota Supreme Court
- Jim Seward (Vice-chair), General Counsel, Office of the Governor
- Denny Kaemingk, Secretary, Department of Corrections
- Lynne Valenti, Secretary, Department of Social Services
- Dr. Clay Pavlis, Psychiatrist and Medical Director,

Midwest Illness Institute

- Hon. Craig Pfeifle, Presiding Judge of the Fourth Judicial Circuit
- Kevin Thom, Sheriff, Pennington County
- Mike Milstead, Sheriff, Minnehaha County
- Cindy Heiberger, County Commissioner, Minnehaha County
- Hon. Larry Long, Presiding Judge of the Second Judicial Circuit
- Aaron McGowan, State's Attorney, Minnehaha County
- Michael Gibbs, CEO, Rapid City Regional Hospital
- Mike Miller, Attorney, Minnehaha Public Defender's Office
- Steve Emery, Secretary, Department of Tribal Relations
- Wendy Giebink, Executive Director, NAMI South Dakota
- Sen. Alan Solano, Senator, District 32 (CEO, Behavior Management Systems)
- Greg Sattizahn, State Court Administrator, Unified Judicial System
- Scott Peters, Attorney, Chair, Minnehaha-Lincoln

County Board of Mental Illness

- Tim Neyhart, Executive Director, South Dakota Advocacy Services
 - Sarah Petersen, Welfare Director, Codington County
 - Belinda Nelson, Director, Community Counseling Services (Huron)
- The Task Force's charge is to inquire why and how individuals with mental illness come into contact with the criminal justice system, examine the detention of these individuals in county jails, research evidence-based practices and successful reforms from other states, develop tailored policy options for South Dakota, simulate the impact of proposed reforms, and explore possible reallocation of any potential savings into strategies that improve public safety and the evaluation and treatment of mental illness.
- The task force will begin work in January to secure a technical assistance provider, finalize a work plan and begin gathering data in anticipation of a first meeting in March 2016.

Mary Florey

LAKE ANDES — Mary Ann Florey, 86, died Monday, Dec. 28, 2015, at Lake Andes Healthcare Center in Lake Andes.

Funeral service will be Thursday, Dec. 31 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Mark's Catholic Church in Lake Andes with burial following in St. Ann's Catholic Cemetery in Geddes. Visitation will be today

(Wednesday) from 5-7 p.m. at St. Mark's Catholic Church in Lake Andes with a wake service at 7 p.m. Arrangements by Koehn Bros. Funeral Home in Lake Andes.

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 Calvary Baptist Church
 Yankton

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