

OBITUARIES

Keevin Pinkelman

Keevin Louis Pinkelman, age 59 of Hartington, Nebraska, died on Monday, January 13, 2014 at the Avera Sacred Heart Hospital in Yankton, SD.

Mass of Christian Burial will be on Thursday, January 16, 2014 at 10:30 a.m. at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Hartington with Rev. David Liewer and Rev. Keith Rezac officiating. Burial will be in St. Michael's Cemetery in Coleridge, Nebraska.

Visitation will be on Wednesday from 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. with a rosary at 4:30 p.m. and a Vigil Service at 7:00 p.m. at Holy Trinity Catholic Church. Visitation will begin one hour prior to services on Thursday at the church.

The Wintz Funeral Home in Hartington is in charge of arrangements. To view the video tribute, or to send online condolences, please visit www.wintzrayfuneralhome.com/.



Pinkelman

Honorary Pallbearers will be Chuck and Paula Burbach, Jerry and Jenny Promes and Randy and Mary Lee Koch. Active Pallbearers will be Chad Pinkelman, Jeff Schmidt, Ross Pinkelman, Jeremy Johnson, Charlie Polkinghorn and Eric Gothier.

Keevin was born October 26, 1954 in Yankton to Louis and Margaret (Backman) Pinkelman. He grew up on a farm near Bow Valley and graduated from Wynot High School in 1973. After graduation he farmed with his dad and on August 26, 1976 he married Lorraine J. Stanley in Dixon, Nebraska. In 1978 they moved to a farm southwest of Hartington where he raised corn, beans, pigs, cat-

tle and kids. Keevin enjoyed golfing, being with his friends, harvest time, football, playing cards and traveling with Lorraine. He loved his family and cherished time spent with his grandchildren. He was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church in Coleridge, was a former parish council member and was a member of the Cedar County Pork Producers. Keevin and Lorraine were active in the Cursillo movement.

Keevin is survived by his wife, Lorraine Pinkelman of Hartington; 5 children and their spouses, Jason and Jennifer Pinkelman of Yutan, NE; Joshua and Sarah Pinkelman of Norfolk, NE; Luke and Amber Pinkelman of Norfolk, NE; Leah and Tom Gubbels of Pierce, NE; Sheila and John Lange of Fordyce, NE; 12 grandchildren, Morgan and Tyler Pinkelman, Amelia,

Adam and Andrew Pinkelman, Ainsley and Emmett Pinkelman, Katelyn, Logan and Riley Gubbels, Bradley and Baby Lange, 3 brothers, Keith and Kathy Pinkelman of Bloomfield, NE; Brice and Lorie Pinkelman of St. Helena, NE; Brian Pinkelman of Canistota, SD and a sister, Sandra Schmidt of Dakota City, NE.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a son, Ben Pinkelman and a brother-in-law, Vernon Schmidt.

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Robert Rhode

Robert "Bob" S. Stanley Rhode, age 60, of Yankton, passed away Thursday December 26, 2013 at Avera Sacred Heart Hospital, Yankton, SD of complications from diabetes.

Memorial service will be 2:00 p.m. Friday, January 17 at Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home, Yankton, SD with Pastor Randy Tramp officiating. Burial of cremated remains will be in the Yankton City Cemetery.

Robert was born in Clara City, MN, on May 6, 1953 to Stanley and Marian (Epple) Rhode (later Becker). He grew up in and around Clara City, along with his siblings, Russ Rhode, Ruth (Rhode) Bot, and Scott Becker. Robert's father passed away unexpectedly in 1957, and in 1960 his mother married George Becker, who became Robert's stepfather and eventually grandfather to his children. Growing up, Robert split his time between his intellectual interests and athletics. He wrestled for his high school, then left for Concordia College in Moorhead, MN, where he pursued a degree in history and developed what would be his lifelong love of music. It was at Concordia that he would meet his future wife, Joan Welde, who he married on September 1, 1973, and with whom he would have his three sons, Samuel, Benjamin, and Jonathon Rhode.

After college, Robert went to work for the Firestone Tire Company in Jamestown, ND. All his children were born there, after which he was transferred to Yankton, SD, where he spent the rest of his life. It was there that he and Joan raised their three boys, and during that time, he was active in the community, coaching youth soccer and pursuing interests such as fishing and pipe collecting. He also moved from Firestone to Rhian Oil, which he managed very successfully for several years.

In 1999, Robert and Joan split, with Joan moving to California and Robert staying in Yankton. In 2000, he met Judy (Bell) Heffele, of Canton, SD, and the two lived together for the remainder of his life. Robert



Rhode

He also became very active in the lives of Judy's children and grandchildren, and took up pipe collecting.

As a person, Robert was intelligent and kind to those around him. He was a dedicated father and a hard worker, possessed a sense of humor that could swing from brutal punning to straight-faced fabrication in the blink of an eye, the latter usually at the expense of his too-trusting small children. In the tradition of stoic Midwestern males, he felt too much and said too little, but made up for it in his actions; he took care of his own. He was an avid reader, particularly of historical accounts, and loved music so much that his tone-deafness never stopped him from singing along. He was also a certified black-belt-trident in fork twirling.

Robert is survived by his sons: Sam Rhode of Minneapolis, MN, Ben and Cindy (Bauer) Rhode of San Jacinto, CA, Jon and Kiley (Hemminghaus) Rhode of St. Louis, MO; his fiancée, Judy (Bell) Heffele of Yankton, SD; his grandchildren, Jon "Jack" Rhode and Kate Rhode, both of St. Louis, MO; his brothers, Russ Rhode and Scott Becker, both of Minneapolis St. Paul, MN; and his sister, Ruth (Rhode) Bot of Clara City, MO. He is also survived by: Judy's children: Sons: Rick Heffele, Don Heffele, Tim Heffele; and daughter, Trisha Heffele, all of whom were truly a second family to Robert.

Robert was preceded in death by: his father, Stanley Rhode, and his mother, Marian Becker.

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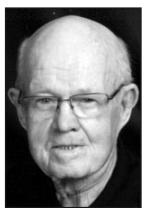
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www.opsahl-kostelfuneralhome.com

James 'Chubby' Orton

James "Chubby" Orton, age 82, of Gayville, South Dakota, died Thursday, January 9, 2014, in Sun City West, Arizona.

Memorial services will be 10:30 a.m. Monday, January 20, 2014, at Gayville Lutheran Church in Gayville, South Dakota, with Reverend Ralph Egbert officiating. Burial will be in the Gayville Cemetery with military honors provided by the Rudolph-Christensen American Legion Post No. 237.

A gathering of friends and family is from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 19, 2014, at the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home in Yankton, South Dakota with a prayer service and time of sharing at 6:00 p.m.



Orton

Honorary Pallbearers are Jim's nieces, nephews, and many friends. James Orton was born May 4, 1931 in Volin, South Dakota, to Paul and Nora (Olson) Orton. Jim was given the name "Chubby" by a neighbor when the family moved to Gayville in 1941. Jim graduated from Gayville High School and began working at T.R. Wetlands Hayfields and later for Tom Meyers Trucking. In 1952 Jim joined the United States Marine Corp and served in Japan and Okinawa during the Korean War. While serving in the Marines, Jim was a member of the San Diego Marines

Softball Team and boxed on the Signal Battalion Boxing Team. When he was discharged from the Marines in 1954, he returned to Meyers Trucking, which he bought a year later. Throughout the 60's Jim owned and operated the Farmers Store in Gayville until 1971 when he began working for the Army Corps of Engineers, which he continued until retiring in 1992. After retiring from the corps, Jim spent the next 19 years mowing the Irene Golf Course.

Jim was a kind and generous man, who helped his family in so many ways. He loved boxing, racing, hunting, fishing, bowling and golfing, acquiring many trophies along the way, including 5 times scoring a hole-in-one. He loved his nieces and nephews and always en-

joyed attending their school sports.

Survivors include his sister, Sharon Taggart of Gayville and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Marilyn on March 23, 1998, three brothers: Gene, Eldon and Gordon; and sister, Julie Ann Hudson.

To send and online sympathy message visit [wintzrayfuneralhome.com](http://www.wintzrayfuneralhome.com).

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www.wintzrayfuneralhome.com

Janet Shuff

Janet H. Shuff, age 71, of Yankton passed away on Saturday, January 11, 2014 at Avera Sister James Care Center, Yankton.

Funeral services will be 2:30 p.m. Thursday, January 16, 2014 at St. John's Lutheran Church, Yankton with Rev. Dave Gunderson and Rev. Steve Weispennig officiating. Burial will be in the Mission Hill Cemetery, Mission Hill, SD.

Visitations will begin at 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, January 15, 2014 at the Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home and Crematory, Yankton with the family present at 6:00 p.m. Visitations will resume one hour prior to the



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service at the church. Pallbearers will be her grandchildren: Christopher Jasso, Amanda Wenzlaff, Lydia Nelson, Jennifer Teichroew, Jacob Wenzlaff, Gabe Wenzlaff, Ryan Shuff, and Garrett Shuff. Honorary pallbearers will be her Sunday School Students and countless years of daycare children.

Janet Helen was born to Ray and Marie (Westlund) Magorien in Yankton, SD on July 9, 1942. She was united in

marriage to F. Ross Shuff on August 30, 1959. For years, she was employed by the Human Services Center. Janet was also a long time child care provider. Her love for children was endless and she was known by many as Grandma. She was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church and taught Sunday school for a number of years.

Those who will forever cherish her memory are her husband, F. Ross Shuff of Yankton, SD; two sons, Brent (Renee) Shuff of Hudson, WI and Justin (Beth) Shuff of Deerfield, WI; two daughters, Meshelle (Rod) Jasso Hartman of Yankton, SD and Angela Shuff of Yankton, SD; twelve

grandchildren; 7 great grandchildren; four sisters: JoAnne Dreesen of San Antonio, TX, Margaret Magorien of Columbus, NE, Linda Luken and Lois Hogate, both of Dakota Dunes, SD; many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, brother, Lyle Magorien, two sisters, Ilene Hamburg and MaryAnn Magorien, several nieces and nephews.

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Alice Koerner-Baker

Alice Koerner-Baker, 91, of Sioux Center, IA, formerly of Freeman, SD, died Saturday, January 11, 2014, at Sioux Center Community Hospital.

A visitation will be held on Thursday from 4-8 p.m., with the family present from 6-8 p.m. at the Memorial Funeral Home of Sioux Center, IA.

A funeral service will be held Friday at 9:30 a.m. at First Reformed Church of Sioux Center, IA with Rev. Travis Else officiating.

A prayer service for family and friends will be held on Friday at 1 p.m. at the Zion

Reformed Church of Menno, SD with Rev. Travis Grassmid officiating. Interment will follow the prayer service in the Menno Cemetery of Menno, SD.

Complete obituary is at www.MFHonline.com.

Alice V. (Oswald) Koerner-Baker was born at Menno, South Dakota to Emil and Sarah (Schaeffer) Oswald on March 28, 1922. Alice was confirmed in 1936 at the Salem Reformed Church.

At one year of age, Alice's father passed away as the result of an accident. Alice attended country school for 8 years in Yankton County. Instead of furthering her education, Alice stayed home to help her mother with farming until her marriage to Calvin Koerner on January 12, 1941, in Menno. She faithfully helped him with his farming

career until retirement. To this union of 62 years, 4 children were born: Arlo, LaVern, Clinton, and Tweiila. After Calvin passed away, she married Henry Baker on October 25, 2003.

Alice loved to quilt, garden, and bake. Many family members treasure the quilts she made. Her husband Calvin always said she could have fed all of Hutchinson County with her garden. She especially enjoyed baking for all of her family and friends, and always looked for opportunities to make something. Her caramel rolls were a hit every Thanksgiving, and she continued to bake up until the week of her passing. In her last days, she got to say special goodbyes to her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. On January 11, 2014, at the age of

91, Alice passed away quietly at the Sioux Center Hospital in Sioux Center, Iowa with family members by her side.

Those left behind to cherish her memory include three children, Arlo and Edith Koerner of Freeman, SD; LaVern Koerner of Phoenix, AZ; and Tweiila and Norm Van Voorst of Sioux Center, six grandchildren; a step-grandchild and ten great-grandchildren. She is also survived by two sisters-in-law from the Koerner family: Ruth Record of Menno, SD and Leona Koerner of Freeman, SD as well as a host of nieces, nephews, and friends.

Preceding her in death was her husband Calvin; her second husband, Henry Baker; a son, Clinton; two brothers and sisters-in-law: Rueben and Adella Oswald,

Edwin and Lanora Oswald; sister and brother-in-law, Amanda and Siggie Liepelt; and a step-grandson, Paul Van Voorst.

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Junior Meiers

Junior Meiers, 79, of Avon died Monday, Jan. 13, 2014, at the VA Medical Center in Sioux Falls.

Funeral services are at 10:30 a.m. Friday, Jan. 17, at the First Baptist Church in Avon. Burial is in the church cemetery, rural Avon, with military honors.

Visitation with family present is 5:30-7 p.m. Thursday at the church.

Crosby-Jaeger Funeral Chapel, Avon, is in charge of arrangements.

Muriel Gors

Muriel G. Gors, 92, died Jan. 10, 2014, in Pierre.

Services are at 11 a.m. Thursday at the United Methodist Church, Viborg. Register online at www.viborgfuneralhome.com/.

Cyrus Beye, MD

Cyrus L. Beye, MD, 90, of Yankton, died early Jan. 14, 2014, at Avera Sister James Care Center, Yankton.

Memorial services are at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 18, at the Christ Episcopal Church, Yankton, with the Rev. Jim Pearson officiating. Burial of his cremated remains will be at a later date.

The Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home and Crematory, Yankton is in charge of arrangements.

JoDean's

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failed. It is also quite common that many of the violations noted during inspection are actually corrected during the inspection."

He added that formal legal action is typically a hearing before an administrative law judge, but said he couldn't comment further since the action is still pending.

JoDean's owner Jack Nielsen told the *Press & Dakotan* that the failed health inspections came as a shock to both him and his employees.

"I'm very concerned about it. This is my livelihood," he said. "I've been in this business for over 40 years, and we've been proud of what we do here."

Before last September's inspection, JoDean's previous three routine inspection rating scores were 90, 90 and 94 with no critical violations.

Nielsen said that he had not been able to reach SDDOH officials since learning of the legal action Tues-

day, but that steps had been taken to correct the violations.

The critical violations from December's inspection were:

- Spray bottles containing Windex cleaner were not labeled. Nielsen said these were the only spray bottles in the establishment, but would now all be labeled;
- A sink's backflow prevention was called into question. Nielsen said the sink had a built-in backflow preventer, but more equipment has now been installed;
- A handwashing sink was broken. Nielsen said it has

been fixed, but other handwashing sinks were available in the same area at the time;

- Meat from an unapproved food source was found at the facility. Nielsen said an employee was storing the meat, which was labeled "not for sale or use," at JoDean's for later use during the holidays at her home;
- Raw chicken had been placed above cooked ribs, which could lead to cross-contamination. Nielsen said employees are aware of procedures to avoid cross-contamination, but one employee inadvertently placed meat in the incorrect location.

Despite the recent health inspection concerns, Nielsen stressed that he believes JoDean's remains a safe environment for consumers to visit.

"If anybody is concerned, they are more than welcome

to come out and inspect my kitchen," he said.

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God Bless You All!
Ken & Elaine Vailth

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IN REMEMBRANCE

John T. "Murph" Murray 11:00 AM, Wednesday Holy Trinity Catholic Church, Hartington	Keevin L. Pinkelman 10:30 AM, Thursday Holy Trinity Catholic Church, Hartington
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James "Chubby" Orton
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