

OBITUARIES

Dennis Braunesreither

Dennis Lee Braunesreither, age 60, of Deadwood, South Dakota died on Tuesday, May 12, 2015 at the Rapid City Regional Hospital.

Funeral services are 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 23, 2015 at the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home in Yankton, South Dakota with Reverend Dani Jo Ninke officiating. Burial will be in the Braunesreither Cemetery in rural Utica, South Dakota. Visitation is one hour prior to the funeral at the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home.

Pallbearers are LeRoy Singer, Allan Braunesreither, Kent Braunesreither and Greg Klein.

Dennis was born November 29, 1954 in Yankton, South Dakota to Virgil and Beverly (Gleich) Braunesreither. He attended grade school in Utica and then graduated from Yankton High School. He worked for Kolberg Pioneer, then Wellf Construction before moving to Omaha in 1979. Dennis worked as a union iron worker for several years then started his own construction company, Braun and Sons. In 2002, Dennis moved to Spearfish where



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he continued his construction business. Dennis was a hard worker and loved his job. He also loved shooting black powder muzzle loaders, but above all, he adored his grandchildren.

Dennis is survived by one son, Joel (Kyli) Braunesreither of Lead, SD; four grandchildren: Bianca, Richard, Camryn and Levi Braunesreither; and one sister, Debora (Gary) Swensen of Yankton.

Dennis was preceded in death by his parents; son, Richard Braunesreither; and an uncle, Roy Braunesreither.

To send an online message to the family, please visit www.wintzrayfuneralhome.com.

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Rowena Meredith

Rowena Vera (Allen) Meredith, age 85 of Yankton, passed away Sunday, May 17, 2015 at Avera Yankton Care Center, Yankton, SD.

Mass of Christian Burial will be 10:30 a.m., Thursday, May 21, 2015 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with Rev. Mark Lichter officiating. Following the Mass, cremation will take place and a private family burial will be held.

Visitations will begin at 5 p.m. Wednesday, May 20, 2015 at the Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home and Crematory, Yankton with a 7 p.m. rosary followed by a 7:30 p.m. Scripture service. Visitations will resume one hour prior to the service at the church.

Online condolences can be sent at www.opsahl-kostelfuneralhome.com.

Rowena was born September 3, 1929, in Shelton, NE, the daughter of Ernest and Bertha (Doane) Allen. She grew up in Edgar, Nebraska and graduated from Edgar High School in 1947.

She was united in marriage to Maurice William "Bill" Meredith at Clay Center, NE on August 18, 1950. To this union six children were born: Teresa, Peggy, Jane, Maurice William II, Mary and Norma. Rowena devoted her life to her family and making a home for them — nothing was more important to her.

Rowena worked at the LT&T Phone Company in Nebraska City, NE, as an operator, at Gurney's and Sacred Heart Hospital in Yankton. She was a member of Sacred Heart Parish and Catholic



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Daughters of America. She enjoyed fishing, playing cards and bingo and any activity she could share with her family, including serving as a leader for both Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts. She was an avid baseball fan — after her son's Little League teams, the Minnesota Twins was her favorite team.

Rowena is survived by her husband, Bill of Yankton, SD; daughters: Teresa (Wally) Bosch of Yankton, Peggy (David) Sorensen of Yankton, Jane Fender of Vermillion, SD, Mary (Maria Humphreys) Meredith of Minneapolis, MN and Norma (Ron) Bartikowsky of Yankton; son, Maurice (Teresa) Meredith of Springfield, SD; eight grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandson; one step grandchild and four step great-grandchildren.

Rowena was preceded in death by her parents; her stepfather, Charles Cottle; sisters: Phyllis, Bernice, Helen and Shirley; brother, Philip; grandson, Jamie, son-in-law, Randy Fender and 1 step grandchild.

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Marvin Pedersen

Marvin L. Pedersen, age 79, of Hartington, NE passed away Sunday, May 17, 2015 at Mercy Medical Center, Sioux City, IA.

Memorial services will be 2:00 p.m., Thursday, May 21, 2015 at Trinity Lutheran Church, Hartington, NE with Rev. Amanda Jertson officiating. Burial of the cremated remains will take place at a later date.

Visitations will begin at 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, May 20, 2015 at Trinity Lutheran church, Hartington, with a prayer service at 7:00 p.m. Visitations will resume one hour prior to the service at the church.

The Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home & Crematory, Yankton,



Pedersen

is assisting with the service details. Online condolences may be sent at www.opsahl-kostelfuneralhome.com.
Marvin was born September 30, 1935 to Niels and Elvine (Dybdal) Pedersen. He attended various country schools and Hartington High School. Marvin married Gladys Konken on February 5, 1956 in Coleridge, NE.

Marvin worked at the Ford garage at an early age. He worked at Pedersen and Son Construction until 1966 when he went into busi-

ness as Marvin Pedersen Earth Moving for 30 years. After selling his business, he worked in road construction in Nebraska and Iowa. After retirement he enjoyed traveling, especially the trips to Denmark. His other interests were working with wood and enjoying time with his family. Marvin was a lifelong member of Trinity Lutheran Church.

Marvin is survived by his wife, Gladys Pedersen of Hartington, NE; his children: Douglas (Nancy) Pedersen of Trevett, ME, Debra (Kent) Brummels of Hartington, NE, David (Penny) Pedersen of Norfolk, NE; eight grandchildren: Sergio Pedersen, Jeremy Brummels (Veronica Cachu), Jeff (Lisa) Brummels,

Christopher Brummels, Laura Brummels, Hope Pedersen, Sara Pedersen, Jacob Pedersen; great-grandchild, Nathan Brummels; brother, Gerald (Lorraine) Pedersen of Hartington, NE and sister, Doris Bell of Phoenix, AZ.

Marvin was preceded in death by his parents; three brothers: Gunner, Richard and Lloyd; sister-in-law, Inez Pedersen; brother-in-law, Ernest Bell and nephew, Darrell Pedersen.

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Richard Wright

Richard C. Wright, age 85, of Yankton, South Dakota died Sunday, May 17, 2015 at Avera Yankton Care Center.

A memorial service will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, May 21, 2015 at Calvary Baptist Church in Yankton with Pastor Rick Slattery officiating. Burial will be at a later date at St. Peter's Lutheran Cemetery in rural Madison, South Dakota. Military honors will be provided by the Ernest-Bowyer VFW Post No. 791 in Yankton.

A gathering of friends and family will be from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 20, 2015 at the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home in Yankton with a prayer service at 7:00 p.m. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the memorial service on Thursday at the church.

Honorary pallbearers will be his grandchildren: Curt and



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Caleb Steiner, Andrew, Elsie, and Oliver Kotalik, Allison, Isaiah, and Eli Wright and Anthony, Kaitlyn and Thomas Wiener.
Richard C. Wright was born, October 7, 1929 in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, to George and Helene (Shonsbye) Wright. He grew up in Rowena, South Dakota and graduated from Washington High School in Sioux Falls. He enlisted in the Air National Guard and later graduated from South Dakota State College in Brookings. After college, he returned to Rowena and began custom trucking and farming with his father. He married Nina Ruste on June 25, 1966 in rural Madison, South Dakota and began working for Sioux Falls Rendering. They moved to

Yankton, South Dakota in 1976 and Richard began working for Darling Delaware until his retirement.

He attended Calvary Baptist Church in Yankton and enjoyed attending auctions, hunting, politics and animals, especially horses. Richard was a true gentleman, who never said a bad word about anyone. He was a kind and generous man who loved his family and grandchildren.

Survivors include his wife, Nina of Yankton; four children: Sarah (Brian) Steiner of Waverly, Iowa; Laura (Tim) Kotalik of Yankton; Ryan (Jennifer) Wright of Rapid City, South Dakota; and Andrea Wright of Yankton; 11 grandchildren: Curt (fiancée Samantha Halverson) Steiner, Caleb Steiner, Andrew, Elsie, and Oliver Kotalik, Allison, Isaiah, and Eli Wright and Anthony, Kaitlyn and Thomas Wiener; two brothers: Dennis (Deanna) Wright of Royal Oak, Michi-

gan and Jon "Jack" Wright of Brandon, South Dakota; sister, Carol Archer of Brandon; sister-in-law, Patricia Wright of Brandon; and many nieces and nephews and friends.

He was preceded by his parents; brother, Russell Wright; two sisters: Noel (Roger) Finley and Joan (Buck) Williams and brother-in-law, Ronald Archer.

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Samuel Lyman

Samuel K. Lyman, 83, of Vermillion, SD passed away Sunday, May 17 at the Sanford Vermillion Care Center in Vermillion.

Ken was born April 12, 1932 in Nimrod, MN to Samuel and Myrtle (Togstad) Lyman. He attended schools in Minnesota, eventually running away from home and later joining the Army Air Corps. Ken was married to Arla and Marj before marrying Susan May Smith Taylor on November 21, 1998 at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Vermillion.

Ken was an over the road trucker working for Kraft American, drove taxi cabs and finally the Vermillion Area Transit. He was a greeter at the Vermillion Welcome Table, a hospice volunteer, enjoyed talking, eating and rooting for the Twins and Vikings.

He is survived by his wife Susan of Vermillion, his children: Margaret (Rick) Hirshfelt, Sharon Lyman, and Charles Bradley (Jill) Lyman. Step Children: David J. (Terri) Taylor, Charles G. (Karen) Taylor, Leah P. Taylor all of Wyoming. He is also survived by nine grandchildren, four great grandchildren, one great great grandchild, a sister Shirley (Tom) O'Brien and a brother Paul (Darlene) Lyman.

He was preceded in death by his parents, brother John, sisters Dorothy, Doris, Eunice and Mary, a daughter Deb Lyman Dawson and



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a granddaughter Kristina Breyette.

Memorial services will be 2:00 p.m. Saturday, May 23 at the St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Vermillion with burial of ashes at a later date. hansenfuneralhome.com.

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Jean Christensen

S. Jean Christensen, 88, of Vermillion, SD, passed away Thursday, May 14, 2015 at the Alcester Care and Rehab Center, Alcester, SD.

Memorial services will be 11:00 a.m. Saturday, May 23 at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Vermillion. Visitation will be from 5-7 p.m. Friday, May 22 with a prayer service at 7:00 p.m. at the Hansen Funeral Home in Vermillion. hansenfuneralhome.com.



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Jean was born April 7, 1927, to Carl and Martha (Hoxeng) Freng near Volin, SD. She was the third youngest of eleven children. She graduated from Volin High School, Volin, SD.

On November 9, 1947, she married Vernon C. Christensen at Zion Lutheran Church, Volin, SD. Three children were born to them while living in Yankton. They moved to Vermillion, SD, in 1957, where a fourth child was born. Together Jean and Vernon owned and operated the Varsity Pub for several years before opening the Korner Bootery Family Shoe Store. They retired in 1987. They were long time members of Trinity Lutheran Church. Jean was a member of the VFW Ladies Auxillary. She enjoyed family camping trips, fishing, golfing, gardening, sewing and spending winters in Arizona. Jean especially enjoyed family gatherings, playing the piano and playing cards with family and friends. She loved the time she spent with grandchildren and great

grandchildren.

Left to cherish her memory are three daughters, Karen (Al) Sabers, Garretson, SD, Vicki Dunn, Scottsdale, AZ, Janet (Greg) Merrigan, Vermillion, SD, and a son Terry (Heidi Smith) Christensen, Sioux City, IA, twelve grandchildren, fourteen great grandchildren, sister Marlys Bakke, Yankton, SD, sister-in-law Norma Christensen, Yankton, and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, parents, three sisters, Ione Gustad, Sylvia O'Shea, Edna Larson, and six brothers, Maurice, Floyd, Sidney, Vernon, Chandler, and Harold Freng, and a son-in-law Maurice Dunn.

A special thank you to the Alcester Care and Rehabilitation Center and to the AseraCare Hospice Team.

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Mildred Devine

Mildred A. Devine, 92, of Yankton and formerly of Irene, SD passed away Monday, May 18, 2015 at Avera Sacred Heart Hospital in Yankton.

Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m., Thursday, May 21, 2015 at Vangen Lutheran Church, Mission Hill, SD with Pastor Velma Larson officiating. Burial will follow in Vangen Cemetery, Mission Hill.

Visitation will be from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., Wednesday, May 20, 2015 at the Hansen Funeral Home in Irene.

Mildred A. Robinson was born June 26, 1922 in Pittsburg, PA, to George and Ethel (Campbell) Robinson. She attended Oliver High School in Pittsburg.

Mildred married Clayton Huber on February 14, 1946. He died on July 21, 1971. She later married James Devine on October 9, 1976. He died on December 20, 1995. She was a member of Vangen Lutheran Church. Mildred taught Sunday school and held offices in the WELCA. She loved her family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, two husbands,

two sons Dale and Dennis, two step-sons Rodney and Dan Devine, four brothers, two sisters and one half-brother Jerry Robinson.

Survivors include one son, Tom (Roxy) Huber, Rapid City, SD, daughter-in-law Karen Huber, Mission Hill, step-daughter Jane (Jack) Slowey, Yankton, step-sons Thomas Devine of Rapid City, SD, Laddie Devine, Ankeny, IA, step-daughter-in-laws Jeannie Devine, Yankton and Sally (Gary) Gramm Brookings, SD, two half-sisters, Karen (Dave) Shook and Alice Crozier. She was blessed with eighteen grandchildren and many great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

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