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#### OBITUARIES

#### Patricia Melgaard

Patricia ("Tricia") C. Melgaard, 58, of Tulsa, passed from this life on October 2, 2015, after a four and half year battle with

cancer. Tricia was born July 17, 1957, the third of four children, to William O. and Martha L. (Roberts) lott in Oklahoma



Melgaard

City. Tricia was raised primarily in Tulsa and while growing up had many wonderful memories of camping with her family and friends in Colorado during the summers. After her parents bought a small vacation home in Buena Vista, Colorado, winter skiing and white Christmases became a part of her life

After graduating from Memorial High School in Tulsa in 1975, she attended Florida Col lege where she received an Associate in Arts degree in 1977. After working in Florida for a while, her adventurous spirit took over and she moved to Germany where she lived and worked for over a year. While in Germany, she discovered her passion for travel and traveled extensively throughout Europe during that time. Over the years, she traveled to over 25 countries.

She eventually returned to Tulsa and began working on her degree in elementary education. After going to school full-time during the day by commuting to Stillwater and working full-time at night, she obtained her Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education from Oklahoma Štate University in 1993. During that time, she met the love of her life, Robert Melgaard, and they were married in Tulsa on January 4, 1992.

Tricia's fifth grade teacher had instilled in her a passion for reading, and in 2000 she received a Master of Library and Information Studies from the University of Oklahoma. Armed with that passion and degree, she became a middle school librarian at Central Middle School in Broken Arrow, which later became Centennial Middle School, for many years until her retirement. While a librarian, Tricia touched the lives of thousands of young students and did her best to turn them into life-long readers. In 2006, Tricia became a National Board Certified Teacher in Library Media/Early Childhood through Young Adulthood.

She was a faithful and active member of Woodland Hills Church of Christ for many decades and put God first in

#### **Barry Mettler**

Barry G. Mettler, age 56, of Menno, SD passed away, Saturday, October 17, 2015 at the Dougherty Hospice House, Sioux Falls, SD.

Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, October 21 at Salem Reformed Church, Menno, with Rev. Michael Hecht officiating. Burial will be in the Menno Cemetery, Menno, SD. Visitations will be 5 to 8

p.m. Tuesday, October 20 at the Aisenbrey-Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Chapel, Menno, with a prayer service at 7:00 p.m. Visitations will resume one hour prior to the service at



Mettler Pallbear ers will be: Garv Fischer, David Streyle, Roger Mensch, LuEllen Neuharth, Brian Herrboldt, and Austin Herrboldt. Honorary pallbearers are all his children,

friends and family who hold Barry so dear to their hearts. Barry was born on May 23, 1959 in Sioux Falls, SD. He

was adopted by Gideon and Lillian Mettler in February of 1964. He lived in Menno, SD his entire life. He went to Menno High School until 1974, where he then took over farming with his father. He married Karen (Moore) Gangwish in September, 1980 and to this union three

children were born. Barry spent most of his time farming the family farm land. He enjoyed spending time with his children, family and friends. He loved going to car shows, tractor pulls and watching Nascar. He was an avid fan of the Minnesota Vikings as well. On July 3,

then helped her family and

others as a hired girl. She

2009. Barry married Brenda Penney (Herrboldt). Barry and Brenda moved into town shortly after in 2009 and enjoyed going to farm auctions, concerts, and enjoyed spending time with all of their children.

Barry is survived by his wife of six years, Brenda; his children: Jamie (Abraham) Libby of Twentynine Palms, CA, Jarod Mettler of Lincoln, NE and Jeremy Mettler of Oakland, NE; step-sons, Andy Kanengieter of Minneapolis, MN, Aaron Kanengieter of Rushmore, MN. Shane Freeborn of Sioux Falls, SD and Jesse Freeborn

of Yankton; three grandchildren: Zachary and Mikayla Libby and Xavier Mettler; two sisters, Cindy (Thomas) Fischer and Dorothy Mettler; one brother, Scott and many nephews and nieces.

Barry was preceded in death by his parents, Gideon and Lillian; a brother, Dale; one sister, Joyce and a few good friends.

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**Roseline Burbach** 

Roseline Christine Burbach, age 86 of Hartington, Nebraska, died on Saturday, October 17, 2015 at the Avera Sacred Heart Hospital in Yankton, surrounded by her family.

Mass of Christian Burial will be on Wednesday, October 21 at 10:30 a.m. at the Holv Family (Sts. Peter & Paul) Catholic Church in Bow Valley, Nebraska with Rev. Eric Ölsen, Rev. Rodney Kneifl and Rev. Dan Guenther officiating. Burial will be in the Sts Peter & Paul Cem-etery in Bow Valley.

Visitation will be on Tuesday from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. with a Vigil Service at 7:00 p.m. at the church. Visitation will begin one hour prior to services on Wednesday at the church.

The Wintz Funeral Home in Hartington is in charge of arrangements. To send

garet of Plano, Texas, David lott and his wife Debra of San Francisco, and Steve lott and his wife Betsy of Forney, Texas; mother-in-law Alice Melgaard of Yankton, South Dakota; sister-in-law Mindy Bruxvoort and her husband Marlin of Edmond, Oklahoma; and nieces and nephews Nick, Mike, Lora, Kara, Julie, Sara, Samantha, Mary, Bryan, Jamie and Kristen.

A memorial service will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 24, 2015 at Fitzgerald Southwood Colonial Chapel. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be sent to Centennial Middle School Library/ Media Center, 225 E. Omaha, Broken Arrow, OK 74012 and Hospice of Green Country, Inc., 1120 S. Boston, Suite 200, Tulsa, OK 74119. To share a memory or condolence, visit www.fitzgeraldsouthwoodchapel.com. 918-291-3500

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video tribute. please visit www.wintzrayfuneralhome.com. Pallbearers will be her

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dolences, or

sons, Donovan, Dale, Kelly, Floyd, Leo, Arlo and Lee Burbach.

Honorary Pallbearers are her grandchildren and great grandchildren. Roseline was born on

April 15, 1929 at Crofton, Nebraska to Ferdinand J. and Mary Wilhelmina (Foxhoven) Guenther. She was one of 10 children including, Fred, Catherine, Elizabeth, Mary, Anna, John, Joe, Clarence and Albert. Rose grew up on the farm near Crofton and finished 8th grade at the St. Rose of Lima Elementary School in Crofton. She

Family (Sts. Peter & Paul) Catholic Church in Bow Valley, Nebraska, with Rev. Eric Olsen officiating. Burial will be in the Sts. Peter & Paul Cemetery in Bow Valley.

Visitation will be on Wednesday from 5-8 p.m. with a Vigil Service at 7 p.m. at the 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.

#### Joseph Becker

Joseph A. Becker, 90 of Norfolk, Nebraska and formerly of Wynot, Nebraska, died Sunday, Oct. 18, 2015, at the Norfolk Veterans Home in Norfolk, Nebraska.

Mass of Christian Burial will be on Friday, Oct. 23, at 10:30 a.m. at Holy Family (Sacred Heart) Catholic Church

married Roman Burbach on June 24, 1952 at Constance, Nebraska. Rose and Roman lived on a farm south of Bow Valley where they raised their 11 children. She canned and froze all kinds of vegetables over the years and often remarked that it was good to have a big garden when you have a large family. She also canned apples, peaches and pears for pies and desserts. Living on the farm there was very little leisure time as there was always work to do. They enjoyed visiting with family and friends but liked staying close to home. She enjoyed playing cards, bingo and doing cross word puzzles. She especially loved holding her grandbabies and great grandbabies.

Rose moved to the Avera

Keith Wahl

Sister James Care Center in

Yankton in 2012. She was a member of the Holy Family (Sts. Peter & Paul) Catholic Church in Bow Valley and the Christian Mothers.

Rosaline is survived by 11 children, Esther Robinson of Yankton, SD; Donovan and Deena Burbach of Hastings. NE; Arlene and Steve Kramer of Omaha, NE; Dale and Mary Burbach of Crofton, NE; Beverly and Don Hoebelheinrich of Yankton; Kelly and Beth Burbach of Coleridge, NE; Floyd and Julie Burbach of Tabor, SD; Norma and Bruce Pokorny of Yankton; Leo Burbach and Fiance Bonnie Hisek of Yankton, SD; Arlo Burbach of Scotland and his friend, Connie Thompson of Laurel, NE; Lee Burbach of Malcolm, NE; and his friend Kerri Halstead of Lincoln, NE; 26 grandchildren, 20 great grandchildren, a brother, Albert and Janice Guenther of Norfolk, NE; a sister, Anna Wortmann of Hartington and

a sister-in-law, Rosemary Guenther of Crofton. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, Roman, on July 15, 2014 at the age of 94, a

son-in-law, Rodney Robinson, a grandson, James Robinson, four brothers, Fred, John, Joe and Clarence Guenther, three sisters, Catherine Dreismeier, Elizabeth Hames and Mary Steffen

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1975. In 1975, he was in a car accident that severed his spinal cord, paralyzing him from the neck down. He then moved to Minneapolis, Minnesota while going

through rehabilitation, and also attended Hennepin Country Junior College for a couple semesters. After moving back to Yankton, he attended Mount Marty College, but had to quit due to health issues. He later went back to classes at USD, but had to guit once again due to health complications.

Keith met the love of his life, Ann Fields in 1998, and they continued their life in

Keith is survived by Ann Fields, of Yankton; step-daughter Brittany (Jeff) Mueller of Yankton; step-son, Dan Fields (Barb Kost) of Yankton; and his grandson, Gunnar; brother, id (Deb) Wahl of Elk Point, South Dakota; nephew Brian (Amber) Wahl and their children, Kennedy and Camille; nephew, Jake (Tracy) Wahl of Tea, South Dakota; brother, Gary Wahl of Yankton; and sister, Carol Wahl of Alexandria, Minnesota

Keith was preceded in death by his parents Alfred and Bernice Wahl.

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

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at a later date in the Garden of Memories Cemetery in Yankton The family will receive friends one hour prior to

the memorial service on Friday at the funeral home. Keith was born September 12, 1954, in Sioux Valley Hospital in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. He was born to Alfred and Bernice (Gross) Wahl. His education

began near Emery, South



in his home surrounded by his family. Memorial Services will be 11:00 a.m. on Friday, October 23 at the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home in Yankton with Pastor Jeff Mueller officiating. Inurnment will be

her life. Her infectious smile. kind heart and zest for life will be sorely missed.

Tricia was preceded in death by her mother, Martha lott, her father-in-law, Jim Melgaard, and her grandparents. Those left to cherish her memory include: husband Robert, of 23 years; father Bill lott, Auburn, Kansas: brothers Bill lott, Jr. and his wife MarOctober 20, 2015

#### Almeda Arens

Almeda Arens, 70, of Fordyce, Nebraska, died Monday, Oct. 19, 2015, at the Avera Heart Hospital in Sioux Falls..

Mass of Christian Burial will be on Thursday, Oct. 22, at 10:30 a.m. at the Holy

in Wynot with the Rev. Eric Olsen officiating. Burial will be at Sacred Heart Cemetery in Wynot.

Visitation will be Thursday at the church, from 5-8 p.m. with a Vigil service at 7 p.m. Visitation will continue Friday morning one hour prior to services.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Wintz Funeral Home in Hartington.

Dakota, two miles from the family farm at Taylor #5 Country School. He went to Emery High School and eventually moved to Yankton, South Dakota in 1969, where he eagerly graduated from Yankton High School.

After graduating, Keith worked in Yankton until

Yankton. Before his injury, Keith enjoyed hunting, fishing, horseback riding, motorcycles, and having fun with his friends. After he became paralyzed, he liked listening to music, computers, meeting new people and going places.





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