

OBITUARIES

Wayne “Shorty” Anderberg

Wayne “Shorty” Anderberg, age 77, of Yankton, South Dakota, died Tuesday, September 24, 2013 at Avera Sister James Care Center in Yankton.

Visitation is from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Friday, September 27, 2013 at the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home in Yankton. Visitation will continue at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 28 at the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home followed by a graveside service at 11:00 a.m. at the Garden of Memories Cemetery in Yankton with Reverend Dani Jo Ninke officiating and military honors provided by the Ernest-Bowyer VFW Post No. 791 and SD Army National Honor Guard. In honor of Shorty, casual dress would be preferred.

Pallbearers are Russell Anderberg, Jared, Julian and Evan Buettgenback, Jason and Jody Anderson.

Shorty was born March 19, 1936 in Hudson, South Dakota to George and Rena (Rice) Anderberg. He grew up in Alcester, SD and graduated from Alcester High School in 1955. Shorty was then drafted into the United States Army and was stationed in Hawaii for two years. After his honorable discharge, he lived in Yankton. On March 22, 1964, Shorty married Patricia Franks at St. Martin’s Lutheran Church in Alexandria, SD. He worked in the telephone business for almost 40 years, first for Northwestern Bell Company, then US West and finally



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his shop and doing carpentry work. He had a wonderful sense of humor and will be deeply missed.

Shorty is survived by his three children: Russell Anderberg (Sue Geffre) of Henderson, NV, Kara (Jared) Buettgenback of Lincoln, NE and Brenda Anderberg of Yankton; three grandchildren: Julian, Audrey and Evan Buettgenback; one sister, Zora (Eldean) Oaks of Sioux Falls; close nephew, Denny Anderson and many other nieces and nephews.

Shorty was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Patricia Anderberg on December 31, 2002; son, Eric Anderberg; two sisters, Audrey Anderberg and Marilyn “Sissy” Anderson; and four brothers: Merle “Tap”, Keith “K.O.”, Curt “Gramps”, and LeRoy “Speed” Anderberg.

To send an online sympathy message, please visit

www.wintzrayfuneralhome.com.

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Audra Stoner-McMillian

Audra G. Stoner-McMillian, age 43 of Woodstock, GA and formerly of Yankton, passed away at Northside Hospital, Sandy Springs, GA on Thursday, September 5, 2013.

Memorial Service will be 11:00 a.m. Saturday, September 28, 2013 at Trinity Lutheran Church, Yankton, SD, with Rev. Dave Wildermuth officiating.

Visitations will be one hour prior to the service at the church.

The Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home & Crematory, Yankton, SD is assisting with service details.

Audra G. Stoner McMillian was born on January 11, 1970 in Columbus, NE to the loving parents of Dr. Dan and Dawn Stoner. She was referred to as the best birthday present her mother ever received as she was born on her mother’s birthday. At the age of two, the family moved to Yankton, SD where her father entered into partnership with Dr. Robin Hacecky of Veterinary Supply and Services.

Audra went her entire 13 years of school in Yankton, graduating in 1988. Audra excelled in 4-H, winning national trips to the Western Round Up in Denver and the Washington D.C. Focus trip as well as 4-H International in Chicago for her excellence in the bread division. In addition she won many



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state awards and was Yankton County 4-H Queen in 1987-88. She wrote a weekly article for the *Observer* called Focus on 4-H. Audra was active in both dance and music and performed in numerous recitals. From the age of 16, when she started her first job, she was the delivery girl for Pied Piper Flowers in Yankton.

Audra graduated from the University of Minnesota in 1992 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Food Science and Technology. While at the university she joined Alpha Chi Omega sorority where she served as Vice President of finances and house manager. She was also the treasurer of Phanelic the student governing body of the women’s Greek organization on campus. She was on the University of Minnesota Dairy judging team which came in second in the nation.

Upon graduation she went to work for SAF Yeast in Minneapolis and then for Quest Ingredients where she lived in Sarasota, FL. In 1996, she joined Kerry Ingredients with US operations based in Beloit WI. She was then transferred by Kerry to England working there for 7 1/2 years before being transferred back to the states, settling in the

Atlanta area. She had been happily employed by Kerry for 17 years. One of her most honored work accomplishments was leading her team to be awarded the Domestic Vendor of the year at the Focus Brands 2007 Worldwide Franchisee Conference in Orlando, FL. Geoff Hill, President of Cinnabon, presented the award to Kerry Account Manager, Audra Stoner. This same award was again presented in 2008 and 2009. Prior to returning to the states she joined PEO Chapter K in Yankton, SD having the honor of being initiated by her mother, who was the chapter president in 2004. In 2006, Audra demitted to PEO Chapter BI in Woodstock, GA. She has also maintained her membership at Trinity Lutheran Church in Yankton, SD.

Audra met her soul mate and love of her life, Jeff McMillian, in 2010. A fabulous wedding followed on October 1, 2011 in Cancun, Mexico attended by family and friends from 10 states and 2 foreign countries. Following their honeymoon, they settled in Woodstock, GA.

Audra is survived by her husband, Jeff; her mother, Dawn Happes Stoner of Yankton, SD; her beloved brother, Darrell of Fountaintown, IN and his significant other, Michelle Janiak; and her mother-in-law, Barbara McMillian of Decatur, GA. Also surviving are her aunts, Una Schusler

of Hinckley, IL, Gail (Pedro) Beildeck of Hertford, NC, Sandra (Rod) Allen of Homer, NE; and her uncle, Ken (Judy) Stoner of Homer, NE; numerous cousins; two very special “nieces”; and a world of friends. She was grateful for the excellent care she received from doctors and nurses who cared for her at Northside Hospital in Sandy Springs, GA following her diagnoses of AML Leukemia on February 2, 2013.

She was preceded in death by her father, Dr. Dan Stoner of Yankton, SD in 1997, her beloved maternal grandparents, Donald and Clare Happes of Aurora, IL, her paternal grandparents, Bernard and May Stoner of Homer, NB, also one aunt, Faye Happes Caisse of Batavia, IL, and one uncle, Keith Schusler of Lee, IL.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial has been established in Audra’s name to benefit her favorite charities. Checks may be made to the “Audra McMillian Memorial” and mailed in care of Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home & Crematory, 601 West 21st Street, Yankton, SD 57078. Tributes may also be mailed to the family at that address or on the web at www.conleycare.com.

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Robert Clemens

The funeral service for Robert J. Clemens, 71 of Wagner will be 2:00 p.m. Saturday, September 28, 2013 at the United Methodist Church in Wagner. Burial will be in ZCBI Cemetery, rural Wagner with military honors.

Visitation will be Friday from 3 to 6, with the family present from 5 to 6, at the Crosby-Jaeger Funeral Home in Wagner.

Robert John Clemens, son of John and Lillian (Kreeger) Clemens, was born June 21, 1942 at Wagner, SD. He died Tuesday, September 24, 2013 near Pickstown, SD. Bob attained the age of 71 years, three months and four days.

Bob graduated from Ravinia High School in 1960 and then attended college at SDSU in Brookings. He later transferred to Southern State College in Springfield where he earned a two year degree.

Bob served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War stationed in Germany. He was always very proud of his service to his country and proud of its flag.

After college, Bob and his brother Dennis worked for Lloyd Halsey. In 1964, he owned a TV Shop in Lake Andes. Bob then farmed from 1966 to 2008. After retiring from farming, Bob worked as a bus driver and substitute teacher at the Wagner School District. He was lovingly known as “Mr. Bob”.

Bob married Roberta Mae McEntaffer on April 7, 1990 at the United Methodist Church in Wagner. Together they made their home on the farm and then in Wagner. He was a Dad to Roberta’s children.

Bob was a member of the United Methodist Church where he helped out wherever possible. He also was a 40 year member of the Wagner Fire District and member of the American Legion Greer Post #11.

Bob will be remembered for his enjoyment of fishing, doing yard work, watching humming birds, watching football and playing card games. He especially loved working with kids. Bob most of all will be remembered for his love for his family.

Thankful for having shared his life are his wife, Roberta of Wagner; children: Garie Burton Lewis of Sioux

City, IA and Bonnie Mae Sandvold and husband Matthew Lee of Brandon; three grandchildren: Kelsey Marie (Sandvold) Christensen and husband Ryan Lee, Alex Patrick Sandvold, and Thomas Ronald Langeberg; his mother, Lillian of Wagner; three brothers: Dennis and wife Barb, Richard and wife Linda and James, all of Wagner; three sisters: Arlene Bambas and husband Jerry of Lake Andes, Mary Peacock and husband Don of Brookings, and Marsha Tuschen and husband Allen of Alexandria, SD; and many nieces, nephews and friends.

Bob was preceded in death by father, John; sister, Kathleen Hegdahl; and great grandson, Bentley Matthew Christensen.

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Dennis (Denny) Halvorson

Dennis (Denny) Ray Halvorson, 56, of Irene, SD passed away Wednesday, September 25, 2013 at Freeman Medical Center in Freeman, SD.

Dennis was diagnosed with multiple myeloma in October of 2012 and with strength and determination was able to spend the last year of his life with friends and family enjoying many of the activities he loved.

Dennis was born December 30, 1956 in Viborg, SD to Harold and Lucille (Satrum) Halvorson. He attended Lincoln Country School until 5th grade and later attended Irene Public School graduating from Irene High School in 1975. While growing up in rural Irene, Dennis loved to hunt, fish, and play athletics. He devoted his life to farming and working cattle.

On July 22nd, 1989, Dennis married Nancy Schweitzer at Salem Menonite Church. They enjoyed 24 years of memories and happiness together.

When not on the farm, Dennis could be found playing softball and golf in the summer, “independent league” basketball in the winter, and at an occasional pinocle table. In his downtime, he enjoyed time with friends and family watching a John Wayne flick or jamming out to Hank Williams Jr. He would spend hours in the man cave playing cribbage and watching the Vikings.

Memorial services will be 10:30 a.m. Saturday, September 28, 2013 at Calvary Lutheran Church in Irene. Burial will follow in Meldahl Cemetery, rural Irene.

Visitation will be from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, September 27, 2013 at the Hansen Funeral Home in Irene.

Survivors include his wife Nancy, four children; Angel (Dustin) Allen, Dave (Trisha) Schweitzer, Tim (Abby) Halvorson, and Nick (Ashley) Halvorson, six grandchildren; Noah, Griffin, Jace, Isabella, Cameron and Mariah; one brother, David (Deb) Halvorson; as well as several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents Harold and Lucille Halvorson.

For obituary and online condolences visit hansenfuneralhome.com/.

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Erma Powers

The funeral service for Erma Powers, 94 of Avon will be 10:30 a.m. Saturday, September 28, 2013 at the First Presbyterian Church in Avon, with burial in the Trinity Presbyterian Cemetery, rural Avon.

Visitation will be at the church Friday from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., followed by a 7 p.m. prayer service.

Crosby-Jaeger Funeral Home of Avon is in charge of the arrangements.

Erma Urilla Powers, daughter of Arthur and Laura (Watwood) Oliver, was born June 9, 1919 on the Cooley Ranch in rural Springfield. She died Monday, September 23, 2013 at the Good Samaritan Society in Wagner. Erma attained the age of 94 years, three months and 15 days.

Erma was raised on farms southwest of Avon, SD in Charles Mix County. She attended Fees Country School through the eighth grade. Erma attended Tyndall and Burke High Schools and graduated from Avon High School in 1937. In 1939, she attended Southern State Normal School to become a teacher. Erma taught at the Babcock Country School for one year.

On December 15, 1940, Erma married her high school sweetheart, Clarence Powers. They made their

home in Avon until Clarence enlisted in the Navy in 1942. She lived in Gardina, CA from 1943 to 1944 and worked at North American Aviation in Englewood, CA. Erma and Clarence returned to Avon in 1945.

In 1946, Erma became a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Avon, where she belonged to PW, Bible Study Circles and taught Bible School. Erma was also a member of the American Legion Auxiliary and the Avon Senior Citizens.

Erma was employed at the Marshall Wells Store and Coast to Coast Store in Avon and at the Bon Homme County Treasurer’s Office. She and Clarence ran the concession stand at the ball park for many years. Clarence died December 6, 1981. Erma moved to the Avon Manor in 1998, the Springfield Assisted Living Center in 2000 and the Wagner Good Samaritan Society in 2004.

Erma will be remembered as an excellent baker and cook, especially her bread, caramel rolls, chocolate chip cookies, baked beans and fried chicken. She always had a big garden filled with vegetables and flowers. Erma was also an accomplished seamstress and made all of her daughters’ clothes and crocheted afghans and did embroidery.

Thankful for having shared her daughters: Sharon and husband, Larry Kozel of Wagner, Barb and husband Rich Quartier of Sioux Falls and Carla and husband Alan Meiers of Scottsdale, AZ; five grandchildren: Steve Kozel and wife Beth, Julie Freier and husband Mark, Cody Nelson, Ashley Mach and husband Ryan and Courtney Meiers; eight great grandchildren; one sister, Lois Sattler of the GSS in Tyndall; and several nieces and nephews.

Erma was preceded in death by her husband; parents; brother Charles and wife Mae; and her in-laws: Art Sattler, Lester and Sally Powers and Melvin and Leona Swanson.

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Gary Doran

Gary E. Doran, 83, of Camp Verde, Ariz., and formerly of Yankton, died Saturday, Sept. 14, 2013,

Services were held Sunday, Sept. 22, at American Legion Post No. 93, Camp Verde.

Condolences my be sent to his sister, Mary Ellen Jones, 8145 Quinn Place, Loomis, CA 95650.

Donna ‘Georgene’ Bennett

Donna “Georgene” Bennett, 77, of Irene died Tuesday, Sept. 25, 2013, at Sunset Manor Avera Health, Irene.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home in Yankton, South Dakota.

To send an online sympathy card, visit wintzrayfuneralhome.com.

Bonita Schmitz

Bonita V. Schmitz, 97, of Elk Point died at Wel-Cov Assisted Living, Elk Point, on Sept. 23, 2013.

A visitation will be held from 6-6:45 p.m., with a rosary beginning at 6:45 p.m. and a prayer service beginning at 7 p.m., tonight (Thursday) at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Elk Point.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10 a.m. on Friday, Sept. 27, 2013, at the church with Fr. David Roehrich officiating. Burial will take place immediately following the service at St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery.



Kober Funeral Home, Elk Point, is in charge of arrangements.


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The Normal Experience & Features of Grief
Constructive Ways of Handling Grief
The Need To Reach Out and Set Goals
Coping with Special Days
Grief, the Latter Stages
What does the Future Hold?
Jennifer attended Yankton College and University of South Dakota, receiving a Bachelor of Music Education from YC and a Master’s in Educational Psychology and Counseling from USD. Jennifer and her husband Ted live in Yankton and have 4 children. Jennifer has 20 years’ experience in the field of counseling.
Anyone who has suffered a loss is welcome to join in this program, which will meet on Monday evenings from 7:00-9:00 p.m. at the Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home & Crematory in Yankton.
Refreshments will be served.

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