

Obituaries

Deborah June Crandall

December 5, 1956 – June 11, 2025

Deborah June Crandall, 68, of Norton, KS passed away June 11, 2025 at DSNWK in Norton surrounded by her loving caregivers. She was born December 5, 1956 in Lincoln, KS to Howard L. and Brooka J. (Long) Crandall.

Deborah lived in Stockton, KS until the age of 5 when she moved to Topeka, KS to live in the KNI facility. At the age of 27, she moved to DSNWK in Norton. Debbie loved listening to music and playing cards.

Debbie is survived by her sister, Deanna (Richard) Welch of Mesa, AZ; brother, Doug (Cindy) Crandall of Lindsborg,



Deborah June Crandall

KS and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents and maternal and paternal grandparents.

Memorial services will be held on Wednesday, July 16, 2025 from 11:00 am – 2:00 pm at the Frontier Center, 1104 N. State, Norton, KS.

There will also be a meal served. Inurnment will be held at a later date in the Greenwood Union Cemetery in Hunter, KS.

Condolences may be left at www.plumergobber.com Arrangements by: Plumer-Gobber Funeral Home, Norton.

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Steven Lynn Engelhardt

January 31, 1955 – June 15, 2025

Steven Lynn Engelhardt, 70, of Hiawatha, Kansas, passed away peacefully at his home on June 15, 2025.

Steve was born on January 31, 1955, in Norton, Kansas, to Charles “Archie” and Mildred (Bantam) Engelhardt. He grew up in Long Island, Kansas, and graduated from Northern Valley High School in 1973. He went on to attend Fort Hays State University and later began working for the university’s Farm Crops Division, where he dedicated over 30 years of service before retiring in 2010.

After his retirement from the university, Steve moved to Hiawatha, Kansas, where he worked for Hemisphere GNSS and later for Summit Truck Bodies. He officially retired again in 2022-but true to form, returned to part-time work at Hemisphere GNSS just a few months later, eventually wrapping up his time there in April 2025.

Steve was known for his hands-on spirit and his uncanny ability to fix or tinker with just about anything. His favorite pastime was riding his motorcycle with friends and taking in the beautiful Kansas countryside. He developed many close friendships in Hiawatha and cherished the time spent with those who became like family.

Above all, Steve loved his



Steven Lynn Engelhardt

family. He was a devoted father who was always there to listen and offer sound advice. He took pride in passing his wisdom on to his children and grandchildren and always had a “dad joke” at the ready. He was the kind of grandpa who would drive long distances to attend a special event, no matter how small, just to show he cared. He is survived by his daughter, Miranda Lynn Engelhardt

Abate, and her husband, Tim Abate, of Belton, Missouri; his son, Devin Cole Engelhardt, and his wife, Brittany, of Peculiar, Missouri; and his beloved grandchildren: Olyvia, Thomas, Gianna, Cale, and Adalynn. He is also survived by his former wife, Patricia Englert of Belton, Missouri; his brother, Delwyn Engelhardt and wife Diane of Temple, Texas; his sister, Colette Craig of Topeka, Kansas and lovingly remembered by his nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Funeral services will be held at 2:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 19, 2025, at Plumer-Gobber Funeral Home. Burial will follow at Mt. Hope Cemetery in Alma, Kansas. Visitation will be held from 1:00 to 2:30 p.m., prior to the service.

Memorial contributions may be made in Steve’s name and sent in care of Plumer-Gobber Funeral Home, 215 W. Main St., Norton, KS 67654. Condolences may be left at www.plumergobber.com

Homestead Nutrition Project meals for July

The HOMESTEAD Nutrition Project serves seniors 60 and older in the 18 counties of Northwest Kansas. The nutrition sites are open Monday through Friday.

Persons age 60 and older contribute a suggested donation of \$3.75 per meal for both congregate and home delivery. Persons under age 60 are welcome to eat but must pay the full cost of the meal which is \$6.75.

Please call HOMESTEAD Nutrition at 1-800-432-7422 for more information. Or locally call the Norton Senior Citizen Community Center at 785-877-5352.

Tuesday, July 1 - Tuna salad sandwich, tomato soup, cookie, bun strawberries

Wednesday, July 2 - Beef pot roast with gravy, mashed potatoes, seasoned carrots, bread, cantaloupe

Thursday, July 3 - Teriyaki chicken, rice, broccoli, peaches

Friday, July 4 - Closed for the Fourth of July

Monday, July 7 - Smothered chicken, parslid potatoes, green beans, bread, pineapple

Tuesday, July 8 - Frito chili cheese pie, California blend vegetables, fruit cobbler, pudding

Wednesday, July 9 - Fish Sandwich, mixed vegetables, bun, strawberries and bananas, brownie

Thursday, July 10 - Meat balls, mashed potatoes, cheesy broccoli, bread, tropical fruit

Friday, July 11 - Cook’s Choice

Monday, July 14 - Swiss steak with tomatoes, mashed potatoes, peas and carrots, bread, pineapple

Tuesday, July 15 - Oven baked chicken, baked potato, green beans, bread, ambrosia salad

Wednesday, July 16 - Pasta salad with ham, club crackers, tropical fruit

Thursday, July 17 - Turkey ala king, antigua blend vegetables, biscuit, strawberry short cake

Friday, July 18 - Tator tot

Jennings News

By Louise Cressler

What much needed beautiful rains we are receiving in western Kansas.

On Wednesday, June 11 the senior group held their monthly potluck dinner at noon. We enjoyed all the good food and the social hour. Among those attending included Tammy Touslee; Laurel Sutton and Karen N from Oberlin; Ramona Shaw Dorothy Shimek; Kay and Doyle Brown; Kent Brown; Ken Carter and grandson William; Allan Carter; Tammy Parrish; Stanley Shimek; Gwen Anderson; Louise Cressler. All are welcome to join us the second Wednesday of each month at noon at the Sunflower Senior Center for potluck.

casserole, brussel sprouts, bread, watermelon

Monday, July 21 - Chicken strips, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, bread, mandarin oranges

Tuesday, July 22 - Hamburger patty, lettuce, tomato, onion, potato salad, bun, tropical fruit

Wednesday, July 23 - Bierock casserole, antigua blend vegetables, bread, peaches

Thursday, July 24 - Beef and noodles, mashed potatoes, California blend vegetables, bread, emerald pears

Friday, July 25 - Cook’s Choice

Monday, July 28 - Sloppy Joe, brussel sprouts, bun, mandarin oranges

Tuesday, July 29 - Chicken parmesan, Italian blend vegetables, garlic bread, applauseauce

Wednesday, July 30 - Goulash, California blend vegetables, bread, cinnamon pears

Thursday, July 31 - Taco salad, lettuce and tomatoes, chips, tropical fruit

Oct. 3, 1963 ~ June 26, 2025

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Terry Lee Zabala, Sr., 61, of Norton, KS passed away June 26, 2025 at his home in Norton. He was born October 3, 1963 in Southfield, MI to Simon P. and Lucyle L. (Nelson) Zabala.

Terry grew up in Oakland, MI. After leaving home he met Debbie Madden. They were married on October 3, 1982 in Livonia, MI. Terry drove trucks for Nelson Trucking. He enjoyed going to the lake, camping, geocaching, riding motorcycles and shooting guns with his son. He also loved hitting the road with no destination in mind.

Terry is survived by his wife, Debbie Zabala; children: Jackie Zabala, Terry (Cynthia) Zabala, Patrick (Lauren Hohl) Zabala, and Jerry Zabala; grandchildren: Terry III, Angel, Isaac, Diamond, Brandon, Mercedes, Hunter, Makayla, Nela, Olivia, and Nevin and great grandson, King. He

Terry Lee Zabala

was preceded in death by his parents and grandchildren, Lucian and Nevaeh.

The family has chosen cremation. Memorial contributions may be made to Plumer-Gobber Funeral Home, 215 W. Main St., Norton, KS 67654 to help with final expenses. Condolences may be left at www.plumergobber.com

•PUBLIC NOTICE• NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT HEARING

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NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT HEARING

The Board of Directors of Almena Irrigation District No. 5 will meet as a board of equalization between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m., Thursday, July 10, 2025 at the District headquarters building in Almena, Kansas.

Owners of land classified as irrigable in said District may discuss any problems they have concerning irrigable acres.



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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of the Norton Recreation Commission will meet on the 18th day of July, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. at the USD 211 Board Room for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of the taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds.

Detailed budget information is available at #3 Washington Square and will be available at this hearing.

BUDGET SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

The Proposed Budget Expenditures (below) are the maximum expenditures limits for the budget year.

	Prior Year Actual 2024	Current Year Estimated 2025	Proposed Budget Year 2026
FUND			
General	\$165,897	\$178,585	\$226,610
Totals	\$165,897	\$178,585	\$226,610
Lease Purchase Price Balance			
Due at the beginning of Fiscal Year			

Joan Bolt,
Recreation Commission Secretary

PUBLIC REMINDER

NORTON CITY CODE 7-305 FIREWORKS

THE SALE, OFFERING FOR SALE, AND SHOOTING OR FIRING OF FIREWORKS OF EVERY NATURE, SHALL BE CONDUCTED ONLY DURING THE DAY JUNE 27TH THROUGH JULY 5TH OF EACH YEAR. BOTH DAYS INCLUSIVE.

THE PHYSICAL SHOOTING OR FIRING OF FIREWORKS OF EVERY NATURE SHALL BE PROHIBITED BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 11:00 P.M. AND 8:00 A.M. ON JUNE 27TH THROUGH JULY 5TH, EXCEPT THAT ON THE EVENING AND EARLY MORNING OF JULY 4TH AND 5TH THE SHOOTING OR FIRING OF FIREWORKS MAY OCCUR UNTIL 1:00 A.M.

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