

Andrew Lee Engling

Andrew Lee Engling, 55, Natoma, Kansas, passed away Friday, May 16, 2025 at the Kansas University Medical Center in Kansas City, Kansas, surrounded by his children and family.

Andrew was born April 22, 1970, at Russell, Kansas. He was one of five children to Edward M., Sr, and Clara R. “Pat” (Golembiewski) Engling. He grew up in Natoma and graduated from Natoma High School in the Class of 1988. After graduation Andrew attended Salina Vo-Tech and graduated with his welding degree in 1989 in Salina, Kansas. Many people know him for his Welding; he was talented beyond his abilities. He could envision and fabricate almost anything.

Andrew met, fell in love with April Zimmerman August 21, 1999, and spent over 25 years together. This union was blessed with three children; Shayne, Jayson and Candyce. He also has three children from a previous marriage, Joshua, Shelby and Kylie. They have made their home in Natoma.

Andrew was a welder for Tom’s Machine & Welding in Plainville for over 24 years. Before that, he worked with Great Plains,



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Inc. in Salina and Lucas. He enjoyed the outdoors, especially camping, fishing, and riding motorcycles. He was an avid sports watcher that cheered on his Kansas City Chiefs and the Kansas University Jayhawks. He enjoyed playing pool, listening to all varieties of music, time spent with friends and family, watching Wheel of Fortune and playing Candy Crush Saga, completing his last level of 8905.

Andrew’s surviving family include his spouse, April Zimmerman of the home; six children: Shayne Engling, Hays, Kansas, Jayson Engling (Kaitlyn), Natoma, Kansas, Candyce Engling, Natoma, Kansas, Joshua

Engling, Plainville, Kansas, Shelby Engling (Kayley), Salina, Kansas and Kylie Engling, Natoma, Kansas; two brothers, Edward Engling, Jr., Natoma, Kansas and Anthony Engling (Lori), Salina, Kansas; sister, Christine Hoffman (Ken), Hays, Kansas; sisters-in-law, Dee Engling, Phillipsburg, Kansas and Monica Martinez, Natoma, Kansas; brother-in-law, Manuel Martinez, Hays, Kansas; in-laws, James and Deborah Christopher, Natoma, Kansas, and seven grandchildren, Harper, Alexis, Aiden, Bindi, Haven, Aubriella and Drew; and many nieces and nephews.

Andrew was preceded in death by his parents, and brother Michael Engling.

A Memorial Service celebrating his Life is planned for 11:00 a.m., Friday, June 13, 2025, at Natoma Auditorium. Burial of ashes will follow at Natoma City Cemetery. A Memorial has been established as the Andrew Engling Memorial Fund. Contributions and condolences may be sent to Pohlman-Varner-Peeler Mortuary, who is in charge of these arrangements.

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Paula Barnes (Schrandt)

Paula Barnes (Schrandt) was born June 7, 1965, to Robert and Jerry Schrandt at Plainville Hospital in Plainville, Kansas. Saturday, April 5, 2025, she peacefully passed away with family present, at Ascension Via Christi St. Francis hospital in Wichita, Kansas. Paula was a lifelong Kansas resident and attended Plainville Sacred Heart Catholic Grade School, Plainville Junior High School, then graduated from Plainville High School with the Class of 1983. After graduation, she moved to Wichita where she trained to become a pharmacy technician and worked most of her career for Osco Pharmacy. It was



Paula Barnes

there that she met her husband, Jack Barnes, who was working at Osco as a pharmacist.

Paula is survived by her

mother, Jerry Schrandt (Wichita), three siblings and their spouses, Allen and Dawn Schrandt (Colwich), Glen and Erika Schrandt (Wichita), David and Jenna Schrandt (Andale), three nieces, and six nephews.

She is preceded in death by her fraternal and maternal grandparents, her father Robert Schrandt, and her husband Jack Barnes.

A graveside service and burial is planned for Sacred Heart Catholic Cemetery at Plainville, Kans. at 10:30 a.m., Saturday, June 21, 2025.

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Ida Mae (Hamel) LeSage

Ida Mae (Hamel) LeSage age 95, of Hays, Kansas, passed away on Monday, June 2, 2025, at Pinnacle Park Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center in Salina, Kansas.

She was born January 26, 1930, on the family farm four miles North of Damar, Kansas to Alex and Elsie (Thibault) Hamel.

Dr. Peterson, who delivered Ida Mae, would many years later deliver three of Ida Mae’s children, those being Mark, Alan and Denise.

At age six, Ida Mae attended a country school near their farm. She attended this school for only one year. After that year, she was bussed to Damar where she was taught by the Sisters of St. Joseph. She finished her education and graduated from Damar High School. Being the youngest in the family, she was the target of many pranks. She especially would recount the pranks Jack and Willie played on her.

Her father, Alex, died in January of 1940 before Ida Mae’s tenth birthday and the family (Elsie, Jack, Willie, and Ida Mae) moved to a house in Damar in 1941. Ida Mae did a lot of babysitting for her many nieces, nephews, and cousins during her adolescent years.

Ida Mae met Dean LeSage at a baseball game at Damar and soon found out that they shared a birthday on January 26. They were married on July 26, 1951, in Damar and settled on a farm 10 miles north of Damar. He preceded her in death on May 17, 2014. They had seven children Mark, Alan, Denise, Renee,



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Leon, Leslie, and Deanna.

After retiring from farming, Dean and Ida Mae moved to Hays in 1985. After moving to Hays, Ida Mae volunteered at the ARC Thrift Shop for over 25 years.

Ida Mae would occasionally go on horse trail rides with Dean. While in Hays, Ida Mae spent her free time visiting with friends, playing dominos, puzzling, weekly bingo, and frequent trips to Walmart. She especially enjoyed visiting with her grandchildren, nieces and nephews, and reminiscing with lifelong friends. Her final three weeks were spent at the Pinnacle Park Nursing Home in Salina.

Ida is survived by her children, Mark LeSage and Sue, Stockton, Kan.; Alan LeSage and wife, Nyla, Salina, Kan.; Leon LeSage and wife, Michelle, Pretty Prairie, Kan.; Les LeSage and wife, Connie, Winchester, Virginia; Denise Goetz and husband, John, Wichita, Kan.; Renee Oliphant and husband, Doug, Olathe,

Kan.; Deanna LeSage, Victoria, Kan., her sister-in-law, Antionette Hamel, Hill, City, Kan.; her grandchildren, Tiffany LeSage; Jessica LeFort (Bob); Tyson LeSage (Deaira); Preston LeSage (Julie); Parker LeSage (Blanca); Skye King (Chris); Matthew Goetz (Sam); Martia Devaney; Scott Oliphant (Lisa); Travis Oliphant (Becky); Nicole Oliphant (Tyler); Sydney Ware (Garrett); Sawyer LeSage (Karah); and her 22 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband Dean, 11 brothers: Francis, Edmond, Albert, Arthur, Bernard, Alphonse, Louis, Emery, Oliver, Jasper, and Wilfred, and four sisters: Alma Waldron, Lucille Thomie, Edna Haag, and Olive Hamel.

A Mass of Christian Burial was Friday, June 6, 2025, at Saint Joseph Catholic Church, 13th and Ash, Hays, Kansas with Celebrant, Father Fred Gatschet.

Burial was Friday, at the Kansas Veterans Cemetery at WaKeeney, Kansas.

A vigil service and rosary was held Thursday, at Cline’s-Keithley Mortuary of Hays.

Visitation was Thursday, at Cline’s-Keithley Mortuary of Hays Friday, at Saint Joseph Catholic Church.

The family suggests memorials made payable to: DSNWK for the Victoria, Kansas home

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Phillips/Rooks District #5 Extension

Rachael Brooke



Tips for a Drought Tolerant Summer Lawn

Many of our lawn care practices can increase or decrease the drought tolerance of our lawns. Follow these five tips this summer to improve the drought tolerance of your lawn:

Raise The Mowing Height - Increasing the mowing height increases the drought tolerance of all lawns. It encourages deeper root growth, cools the soil temperature, and decreases evaporation of soil moisture. Tall Fescue should be mowed up to 3.5” tall, Buffalo grass up to 4” tall, and Bermuda up to 2” tall.

Reduce Fertilizer Use - The more fertilizer that is applied to the lawn, the more water is required to sustain the excess growth caused by fertilization. Consider reducing the amount of fertilizer you apply this summer, and be sure to fertilize only at the appropriate

times.

Convert To Warm Season Turfgrass – Buffalo grass and Bermuda are warm season turfgrasses, which means they naturally have more heat and drought tolerance than Tall Fescue. June is the ideal time to establish a new warm season lawn.

Core Aerate Warm Season Turfgrass - Core aerate the soil of your warm season lawns in June. A healthy soil more easily grows a healthy plant, and core aeration is an important way to help improve water infiltration into the soil. Core aerate the lawn with 3-inch-deep cores, spaced 3 inches apart.

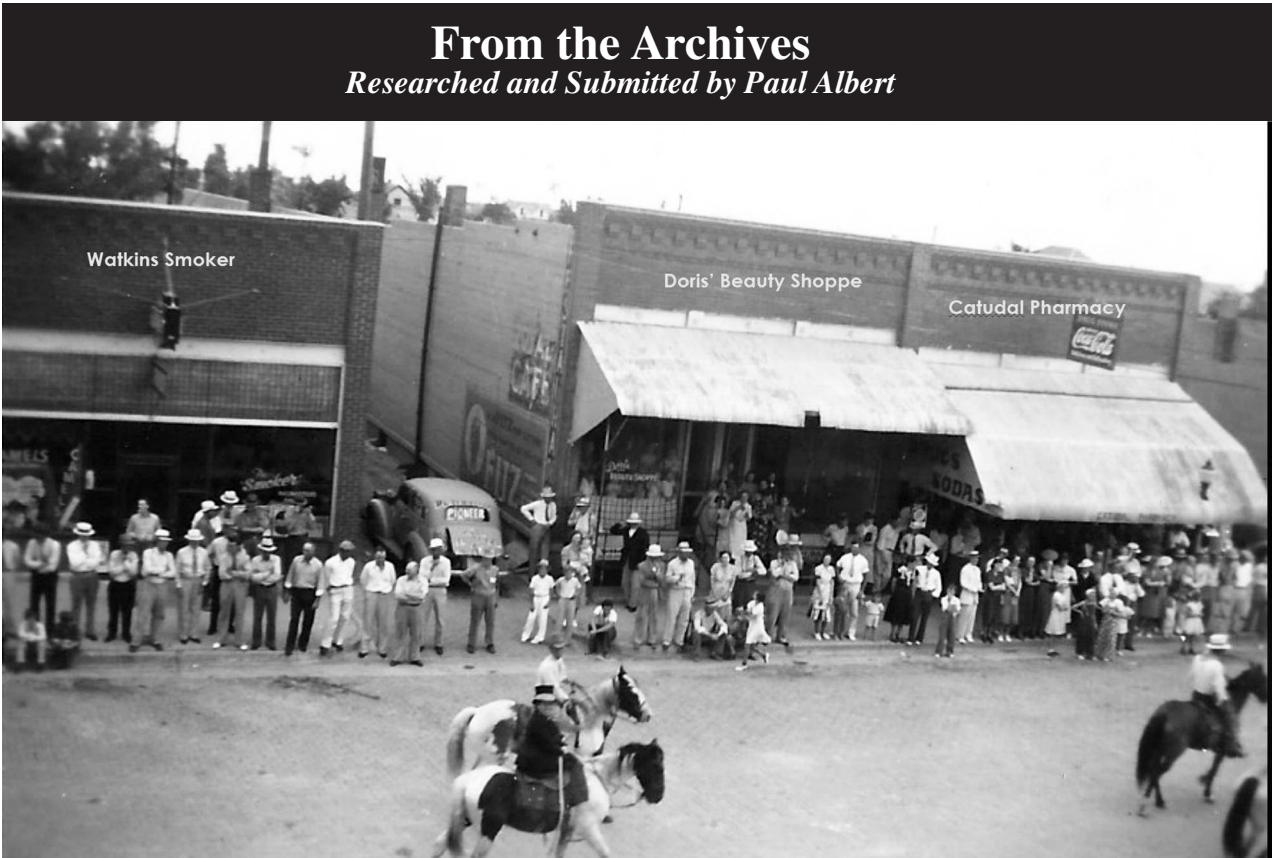
Allow Tall Fescue Lawns To Go Into Summer Dormancy - Dormancy is the natural survival strategy for many plants during periods of drought, and the goal is to keep the lawn alive, not green. Dormant lawns can go 2-3 weeks or

more without water. After 2-3 weeks, apply ~ ¼ inch of water every couple of weeks (by irrigation or rainfall) to keep the turfgrass crown alive for up to 8 weeks.

For more information on ways to increase the drought tolerance of your lawn and conserve water in the landscape, please contact the local K-State Research and Extension Office.

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Originally, there was a north-south alley crossing the 200 block of W Mill Street as captured in this picture from the 1938 Frontier Days Parade. Stan's Barber Shop now occupies this space. Doris' Beauty Shoppe was owned by Doris Williams who later married Marvin Rachel. The shop occupied the current drug store building from 1936-44. Catudal Pharmacy was owned by Dr. Joseph U. Catudal and his son, Dr. Joseph E. Catudal, from 1924-41. Dr. Joseph U. Catudal practiced in Plainville from 1885-1902, then 1910-1941. From 1903-09, he lived in Hays where he was instrumental in establishing St. Anthony Hospital.

Public comments on muni judges accepted

Supreme Court accepting public comment on proposed new rule on municipal court judges

The Kansas Supreme Court is accepting public comment on a proposed new Rule 1204: District Magistrate Judge Serving as a Municipal Judge.

The court will accept written comment by email to

publiccomments@kscourts.gov until noon Saturday, July 5. The subject line must read “Rule 1204.”

This new rule would allow non-law trained but certified district magistrate judges to serve as municipal court judges without the need to go through another training and certification process.

Legal Notice

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF
ROOKS COUNTY, KANSAS

IN THE MATTER OF THE)
ESTATE JACK D. MOCK,)
Deceased)

Case No.
RO-2025-PR-000020

NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO
ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed in this court by Leasa Hrabe, an heir of Jack D. Mock, deceased, praying for the determination of the descent of decedent's prop-

erty, real and personal, or interests therein, owned by the decedent at the time of death; and you are hereby required to file your written defenses thereto on or before July 10, 2025, at 10:00 A.M., of said day in said court, in the City of Stockton, in Rooks County, Kansas, at which time and place said cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon said petition.

Leasa Hrabe
Petitioner

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1938 or 2025 -- Plainville’s celebrations, festivals and rodeos bring something for everyone! See the schedule on the front page of this week’s Plainville Times and be sure to participate, watch, or compete! There may be some local cowboys and cowgirls competing in the rodeo Friday and Saturday! Be sure to check it out -- and cross your fingers IT DOES NOT RAIN this year!