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Obituaries

Pastor boB Sinclair

Robert G. “boB” Sinclair November 5,1953 – July 19,2026

Robert G. Sinclair, known as boB (spelled backwards) left this earth to be with Jesus on July 19, 2026, in Nampa, Idaho. boB was born on November 5,1953 in Amarillo, Texas to William G. Sinclair and Marilyn J. Hagstrom.

He graduated in 1972 from Traverse City, Michigan. He served in the USAir Force from September 1972 to October 1975. boB met Debra in 1978 in Valparaiso, Indiana where they married on May 1 ,1982. boB worked in food management and drove a delivery truck before he was called into ministry – a call he didn’t answer until he encountered Jesus at the age of 40 at a “Walk to Emmaus” retreat. In 2004 he earned a Bachelor of Arts from Northwest College, and in December 2009, a Master of Divinity from Luther Seminary. His first call was at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Castle Rock, Washington, where he served for almost nine years, followed by five years at St. John Lutheran Church in Athol, Kansas.

Many who knew boB came to understand his sense of wit that was balanced with a deep care and love for others. boB was a master of puns and “dad jokes.” As much as boB embraced humor, his ability to listen to others was perhaps even more important throughout his ministry. People knew that they could confide in and trust in him. At the end of May 2024, boB retired from full-time ministry. He and Deb moved to Nampa, Idaho where boB continued to preach occasionally, umpired fast and slow pitch softball

and worked in paper bindery.

On his last day, Sunday July 19, 2026, he and Deb were listening to a livestream of the Worship service at Friendship Celebration Lutheran Church. The pastor’s sermon was titled “Worth the Wait,” based on Romans 8. As the pastor spoke the verse 8:23 “Not only so, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our adoption to sonship, the redemption of our bodies,” bob mouthed them, and breathed his last.

boB is survived by his beloved wife, Deb, son William (Crystal) and daughter Amanda (Terren), four grandchildren, Mother Sandy, and many other cherished family members.

Celebration of Life Services will be at 11:00 AM at the St John Lutheran Church, Athol, KS with Pastor Dave Kramer officiating.

Inurnment will take place in the St John Lutheran Church Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given to the St John Lutheran Church and can be sent in care of the mortuary.

To leave an online condolence visit www.rfmortuaries.com

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Legal Notice

(First published in the Smith County Pioneer Newspaper on September 24, 2026.)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF SMITH COUNTY, KANSAS.

In the Matter of the Estate of Roy Lee Fisher, Deceased.

Case No. SM-2024-PR-25

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 Randy Maus, the duly appointed, qualified and acting Administrator of the Estate of Roy Lee Fisher deceased, requesting that Petitioner’s acts be approved; account be settled and allowed; the heirs-at-law of decedent be determined; the Estate be assigned to the decedent’s heirs-at-law; fees and expenses be allowed; costs be determined and ordered paid; the adminis-

tration of the Estate be closed; the Administrator be discharged and Petitioner be released from further liability. You are required to file your written defenses thereto on or before October 20, 2026, at 2:00 P.M. in the Smith County District Court, Smith County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the

Petition./s/ Andrew J. Walter
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Attorney for Administrator
Oct 8

ORDINANCE NO. 458 SUMMARY

On September 21st, 2026, the City of Kensington, Kansas, adopted Ordinance No. 458, repealing Ordinance No. 454, in order to adopt and incorporate by reference the “Standard Traffic Ordinance for Kansas Cities, Edition of 2026” for the purpose of regulating traffic within the corporate limits of the City of Kensington, Kansas, and providing certain penalties for violations thereof. A complete copy of this ordinance is available at www.kensingtonks.net or at the City Office, 101 S. Main, Kensington, Kansas. This summary is certified by Kyle Allen, City Attorney.

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ORDINANCE NO. 457 SUMMARY

On September 21st, 2026, the City of Kensington, Kansas, adopted Ordinance No. 457, repealing Ordinance No. 455, in order to adopt and incorporate by reference the “Uniform Public Offense Code, Edition of 2026” for the purpose of regulating public offenses within the corporate limits of the City of Kensington, Kansas, and providing certain penalties for violations thereof. A complete copy of this ordinance is available at www.kensingtonks.net or at the City Office, 101 S. Main, Kensington, Kansas. This summary is certified by Kyle Allen, City Attorney.

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The City of Smith Center is accepting sealed bids on one parcel. Bid forms can be picked up and returned to the City Office, 119 W. Court, Smith Center. Sealed bids must be received by 1 PM on Friday, November 9, 2026.

Parcel #1: Identification number 0921352104026005000; Reference R2824; Lots Nine (9) and Ten (10), Block Nine (9) Burrow’s Addition to the City of Smith Center.

Bids start at \$500.00

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