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However, he said, that was rectified and allowed Strong’s to get a better cybersecurity policy in place, but Strong’s had to wait about a year.

Young told Strong that the

commissioners had discussed that with USI. Strong said that was why it was better to have a discussion with a client rather than rely on AI or technology.

Strong said he understood the concerns the county had about trying to save money but that past commissions

haven’t been frivolous.

“I’m not going to pretend to know your budget constraints, but over the years, this board has always been very conservative with their insurance,” Strong said. “You don’t overspend. I know you think you do, but believe me, from what I

wish you had, you don’t.”

He noted that the commissioners are the “risk managers” for the county and “it’s your decision,” but that they have been smart about insurance.

“You’ve got all the basic boxes checked,” Strong said, “You always listen.”

NEWS BRIEF

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA TO HOST PUBLIC ROSARY

The Kingman Daughters of Isabella are sponsoring a public rosary for “America Needs Fatima” to be held on Oct. 10 at noon in the gazebo at Depot Park. The public is invited and encouraged to bring a lawn chair.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION No. 5004

A PROPOSITION to amend section 1 of article 5 of the constitution of the state of Kansas to require individuals to be citizens of the United States, at least 18 years of age and a resident of the voting area in which such person seeks to vote in order to vote in this state.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Kansas, two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the House of Representatives and two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the Senate concurring therein:

Section 1. The following proposition to amend the constitution of the state of Kansas shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the state for their approval or rejection: Section 1 of article 5 of the constitution of the state of Kansas is hereby amended to read as follows:

“§ 1. **Qualifications of electors.** Every(a) *No person shall be deemed a qualified elector unless such person:*

(1) *Is a citizen of the United States who;*
(2) *has attained the age of eighteen years; and who*
(3) *except as provided in subsection (b) or (c), resides in the voting area in which he or she such person seeks to vote*
shall be deemed a qualified elector:

(b) *Laws of this state relating to voting for presidential electors and candidates for the office of president and vice-president of the United States shall comply with the laws of the United States relating thereto. A citizen of the United States, who is otherwise qualified to vote in Kansas for presidential electors and candidates for the offices of president and vice-president of the United States may vote for such officers either in person or by absentee ballot notwithstanding the fact that such person may have become a nonresident of this state if his or her such person's removal from this state occurs during a period in accordance with federal law next preceding such election.*

(c) *A person who is otherwise a qualified elector may vote in the voting area of his or her such person's former residence either in person or by absentee ballot notwithstanding the fact that such person may have become a nonresident of such voting area during a period prescribed by law next preceding the election at which he or she such person seeks to vote, if his such person's new residence is in another voting area in the state of Kansas.”*

Sec. 2. The following statement shall be printed on the ballot with the amendment as a whole:

“*Explanatory statement.* This amendment would clarify that only a person who is a citizen of the United States is eligible to vote in this state.

“A vote for this proposition would clarify that only a person who is a citizen of the United States is eligible to vote in this state.

“A vote against this proposition would make no change to the constitution of the state of Kansas, and the language concerning voter qualifications would remain the same.”

Sec. 3. This resolution, if approved by two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the House of Representatives and two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the Senate, shall be entered on the journals, together with the yeas and nays. The secretary of state shall cause this resolution to be published as provided by law and shall cause the proposed amendment to be submitted to the electors of the state at the general election in November in the year 2026, unless a special election is called at a sooner date by concurrent resolution of the legislature, in which case the proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors of the state at the special election.

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BILLY ‘BILL’ GENE KLAVER

Billy “Bill” Gene Klaver of Belmont, passed away on Wednesday, Sept. 30, 2026, at the University of Kansas Medical Center in Kansas City. He was 70 years old.

Bill was born on March 19, 1956, in Kingman, to Eugene “Pat” Klaver and Georgia Hamilton Klaver. He was a 1974 graduate of Norwich High School and a 1978 graduate of Emporia State University, where he earned a bachelor’s degree in Earth Science. He was a proud member of Sigma Phi Epsilon, Kansas Epsilon Chapter.

Bill worked as a wellsite geologist in Claremore, Okla., before returning to Wichita, where he worked for Pickrell Drilling. He later left the oilfield and worked for the Farmer’s Co-op Elevator at their Norwich and Cheney locations. Bill returned to the oilfield in 2006, working for Woolsey Operating Company as a wellsite geologist until his retirement in 2023.

In 1983, he met the love of his life, Donna McCarty, in Wichita. They married on Aug. 31, 1985, in Ashland and celebrated 41 years of marriage in August. In 1991, Bill and Donna moved to Belmont, where they raised their three children: Kelsey, Emily, and Samuel.

Outside of work, Bill enjoyed spending time with his family and friends. Always known for his sense of humor, he loved playing practical jokes on any gullible friends

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or family members. A recent favorite pastime of Bill’s was sneaking off to visit his grandkids, then bragging to an unsuspecting Donna with picture proof. He had a love for Harley-Davidson motorcycles, collecting rocks during his travels, crossword puzzles, and storytelling with his brother, nephews, and cousins.

Bill was a member of the Kansas Freemasons, Harper Lodge No. 206, and Midian Shriners. He was also a longtime member of the Kansas Geological Society.

Bill was preceded in death by his father, Pat Klaver; father-in-law, Donley McCarty; mother-in-law, Marjorie McCarty; and brother-in-law, Carl Durr.

Bill is survived by his loving wife, Donna, of Belmont, Kansas; mother, Georgia Klaver, of Kingman; daughters, Kelsey (Daniel) Delp of Goddard and Emily (Clint) Drosselmeyer of Belmont; and son, Samuel of Belmont; sister, Deborah Durr of Belmont; and brother, Michael (Angela) Klaver of Belmont.

Bill is also survived by the true pride and joy of his life, his grandchildren: Eleanor, Luke, and Jacob Delp, and Hazel Drosselmeyer. As well as numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, and an abundance of other family and friends.

Family received friends during a public viewing on Tuesday, Oct. 6 at the Norwich Methodist Church. Funeral services were held Wednesday, Oct. 7, also at the Norwich Methodist Church. Burial was in the Greenwood Cemetery at Belmont.

Memorials may be made to SKP and Friends, to provide scholarships to non-traditional students, or the Norwich High School Alumni Association, in care of Livingston Funeral Home, Kingman.

Write-In line Available
LIBERTY TOWNSHIP CLERK (Vote for One)

Write-In line Available
NINNESCAH TOWNSHIP CLERK {Vote for One}

MIKE ROWLEY, Kingman (Republican)

PETERS TOWNSHIP CLERK {vote for One}

DAN THIMESCH, Spivey (Republican)

RICHLAND TOWNSHIP CLERK {Vote for One}

RYAN MILLER, Kingman (Republican)

ROCHESTER TOWNSHIP CLERK {Vote for One}

GARY WOODARD, Zenda (Republican)

RURAL TOWNSHIP CLERK (Vote for One)

BOB RENNERT, Cunningham (Republican)

UNION TOWNSHIP CLERK {Vote for One}

Write-In line Available
VALLEY TOWNSHIP CLERK /Vote for One)

EDWIN ESLINGER, Rago (Republican)

VINITA TOWNSHIP CLERK (Vote for One)

RICK CASLEY, Cheney (Republican)

WHITE TOWNSHIP CLERK (Vote for One)

Write-In line available
SUPREME COURT FOR JUSTICE:

Shall the following judge be retained in office?

ERIC S. ROSEN, Topeka, Position No. 4, Kansas Supreme Court

LARKIN E. WALSH, Leawood, Position No. 6, Kansas Supreme Court

COURT OF APPEALS FOR JUDGE:

Shall the following Court of Appeal Judges be retained in office?

LESLEY ANN ISHERWOOD, Wichita, Position No. 2, Kansas Court of Appeals

AMY FELLOWS CLINE, Wichita, Position No. 3, Kansas Court of Appeals

KIM R. SCHROEDER, Hugoton, Position No. 5, Kansas Court of Appeals

LORI ANN BOLTON FLEMING, Weir, Position No.7, Kansas Court of Appeals

JACY HURST, Lawrence, Position No. 13, Kansas Court of Appeals

DISTRICT COURT FOR DISTRICT JUDGE:

Shall the following District Court Judges be retained in office?

FRANCIS E. MEISENHEIMER, Pratt, District 30, Division I

GATEN THOMAS WOOD, Cheney, District 30, Division 3

SHAWN ROBERT DEJARNETT, Mayfield, District 30, Division 4

FOR DISTRICT MAGISTRATE JUDGE:

Shall the following District Magistrate Judge be retained in office?

ROSEANNA K. MATHIS, Kingman, District 30, Position No. 3

Voting Places and the Township each voting place will serve from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on November 3'd, 2026, will be as follows:

VOTING PLACE TOWNSHIPS

KINGMAN EXPO CENTER NORTH ROOM - Hoosier, Ninnescan, White, Behmont & Richland

KINGMAN EXPO CENTER SOUTH ROOM - Kingman City 1st, 2nd, yd & 4th Wards

DOTZOUR COMMUNITY CENTER - Allen, Bennett, Canton, Eagle & Norwich City

MURDOCK METHODIST CHURCH - Dale, Evan, Galesburg & Vinita

ZENDA COMMUNITY CENTER - Kingman, Liberty, Peters, Rochester, Zenda City, Chikaskia, Spivey City, Valley & Nashville City

CUNNINGHAM COMMUNITY CENTER - Eureka, Union, Rural, Dresden, Cunningham City, & Penalos City

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereto set my hand and cause to be affixed my official seal. Done at the County Clerk's Office this 22"d day of September, 2026.

Kingman County Election Officer