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## **Class of 1974**

Alley, Robert D.

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Anstaett, Donald R.

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Avery, Thomas B., Jr.

\*May 17, 1988

Bates, George N.

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Bayouth, William

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Beesley, James D.

\* July 31, 2007

Bock, Curtis L.

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Bowerman, Glenn T.

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Brightman, Alan H. II

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Brown, Robert M.

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Campbell, Donald H.

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Christiansen, Ray A.

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Conner, Richard D.

\*October 12, 2011

DeHart, Arthur D.

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Dirks, Arthur R.

\*May 17, 2018

Dwyer, John A.

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Epp, Edward L.

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Falk, Melvin H.

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Feldkamp, Cynthia A.

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Feldkamp, Ronald G.

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Fox, Charles E.

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Fries, Edward A.

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Gillilan, Jon R.

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Gilsdorf, Michael J.

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Gofreed, Eric

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Good, Michael I.

\*July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Griffin, Robert A.

\*December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Hansmeyer, Norman V.

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Hardin, Marc S.

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Hartke, Larry W.

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Harvey, James E.

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Howland, Robert C., Jr.

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Indrieri, Richard J.

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Johnson, Robert B.

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Keller, William C.

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Kelly, Armin D.

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Kimbell, Kenneth R.

\*August 5, 1998

Krogdahl, David W.

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LaRosh, Kyle W.

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Leathers, Charles W.

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Leathers, Nancy M. (Bodmer)

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LeBlond, John K., Jr.

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Lee, Ronald R.

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Marlowe, John D.

\*December 9, 1974

McCoy, Thomas K.

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Means, Mark S.  
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Metzner, Raymond L.  
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Meyer, Leroy G.  
\* November 13, 2020  
Meyer, Robert M.  
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Mohny, Richard A.  
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Mosier, Richard A.  
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Naiman, Danny H.  
\*Feb 04, 2018  
Noble, Deborah J. (Deege)  
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Odell, Donald M., Jr.  
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Peterson, Gretchen E.  
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Quillin, Steven N.  
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Rahija, Richard J.  
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Randall, Phyllis A.  
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Rice, Dean A.  
\*October 13, 2021  
Richards, Barton L.  
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Richards, Larry M.  
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Richards, Sandra  
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Robinson, Jack J.  
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Robinson, Mary Beth  
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Rowe, John D.

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Rugh, Karla S. (Nulty)  
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Scharf, Frank C.  
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Schnittker, Norman D.  
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Schweitzer, Darrel J.  
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Sigle, Lillian L.  
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Sippel, Allen R.  
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Strong, Paul D.  
\*July 14, 1997  
Taul, Tom B.  
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Thiele, Wayne E.  
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Tomas, Ernest J.  
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Tracy, Michael S.  
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Traffas, Vincent  
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Vogt, David F.  
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Voigt, David A.  
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Warehime, Orval R.  
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Whitehair, Michael L.  
\*  
Wilson, Donald L.  
\*September 4, 1993  
Wright, Steven E.  
\*September 3, 2007  
Young, Robert C.  
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# **Robert Dunn Alley**

## **Education:**

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

# Donald Ray Anstaett

**Company:** Warsaw Veterinary Clinic

**Spouse:** Kathy Ilene (Tempero) Anstaett

**Children:** Patrick (01/22/1976)  
Laura (06/04/1978)

## **Career History, Community Service, Etc.:**

Left Manhattan May 17, 1974, and moved to Warsaw, MO. Started work that evening and have been here ever since.

## **Career News:**

Still own and operate a busy two vet mixed practice round the clock.

## **Education:**

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

## **Professional Memberships:**

AVMA, MOVMA

## **Family News:**

I now have one grandson, he was born on May 25, 2007 in Fort Thomas, KY. My daughter became an RN and now works at the University Hospital in Columbia, MO.

## **Advice to Students:**

Remember your oath and take it seriously.

## **Class Comments:**

I would just like to know if anyone is looking forward to retirement as much as me.

# George Neil Bates

## **Career History, Community Service, Etc.:**

Working in a predominantly small animal practice in Helena, MT.

## **Education:**

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

MS, Colorado State University, Helena, Montana, 1978

## **Professional Memberships:**

AVMA

# William Bayouth

**Company:** Animal Hospital of Lawrence

**Spouse:** Karen A (Yoos) Bayouth

**Education:**  
DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974



# Curtis Lyle Bock

**Company:** VCA Welborn Pet Hospital

**Spouse:** Sharon Elaine (Ellis) Bock

**Children:** Ryan (04/22/1977)  
Rachel (10/01/1984)

## **Career History, Community Service, Etc.:**

DVM, Chillicothe Animal Hospital, 1974-1975; DVM, Welborn Animal Hospital, Kansas City, KS, 1975-present; DVM, Stockyards Veterinary Service, Kansas City, KS, 1976-1990. My partner, Jim Swanson, and I purchased a former medical rehab building, had it remodeled, and moved the practice into it in June 1996. Our hospital was AAHA certified in 2001.

## **Career News:**

I have transitioned to semi-retirement, currently working 2 days a week, until I can't or don't want to.

## **Education:**

BS, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1972  
DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

## **Professional Memberships:**

KSVMA, AVMA, AAHA, Kansas City VMA, MO VMA

## **Offices Held:**

KCVMA, Board Member/Sec Treas, 2004-2008

## **Family News:**

The kids, fortunately, take after their mother. Our son, Ryan, and his family (grandkids are 10 and 9 yrs old) live in North Carolina. Our daughter Rachel, married last September, lives here in Kansas City.

## **Class Comments:**

I feel we were fortunate (lucky?) to have entered our profession when we did. I am doing better than I deserve.

# Glenn T Bowerman

**Company:** Retired

**Spouse:** Deborah Bowerman

## **Career History, Community Service, Etc.:**

Associate DVM, Rehoboth Animal Hospital, Rehoboth Beach, DE, 1974-1976; Associate DVM, Valley Veterinary Clinic, Simi Valley, CA, 1976-1978; Associate DVM, Saticoy Veterinary Clinic, Ventura, CA, 1978-1980; Associate DVM, Montecito Animal Hospital, Santa Barbara, CA, 1980-1981; Associate DVM, Mar Vista Animal Medical Center, Los Angeles, CA, 1981-1987; Consulting, Santa Barbara City Zoo, 1980-1981; President and Director, Santa Susana Veterinary Medical Hospital, Inc.

## **Career News:**

I sold my practice to VCA in 2007. I retired from veterinary medicine in 2010, and now pursue a career in landscape photography.

## **Education:**

BS, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1972  
DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

## **Professional Memberships:**

CAVMA, AVMA, Simi Valley VMA; Ventura/Santa Barbara Co. VMA;

## **Honors/Civic Involvement:**

Trout Unlimited, Sponsor; Cal-Trout, Sponsor.

# Alan Harry Brightman

**Company:** Feder Brightman PLLC

**Spouse:** Ingrid Eve (Feder) Feder

**Children:** Harry F. (02/10/2001)  
Robert A. (02/26/2003)  
Sophia A. (07/07/2004)

## **Career History, Community Service, Etc.:**

Intern, University California Davis, 1974-1975; Resident, University of Illinois, Urbana, IL, 1975-1977; Assistant-Associate Professor, University of Illinois, Urbana, IL, 1977-1987; Professor, Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS, 1987-2004; Professor Emeritus, Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS, 2004-present.

## **Career News:**

Moved to Wisconsin, kids are doing great in school. Dr. Feder is now working at Fox Valley Animal Referral Center.

## **Education:**

BS, University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas, 1967  
BA, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1972  
DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974  
MS, University of Illinois, Urbana, Illinois, 1977  
Diplomate American College of Veterinary Ophthalmologists

## **Professional Memberships:**

WIVMA, AVMA, NEWVMAA, NWWVMA, Lynn County VMA

## **Offices Held:**

President, KVMA, 2001-2002

## **Board Certifications:**

ACVO

## **Honors/Civic Involvement:**

Army-Legion of merit, April 2003; KSU CVM Alumni Recognition Award, May 2003 for Military and Government Service, BB Emeritus, Delta Chi Fraternity.

## **Family News:**

Retired as a COL after 36 years of Army service in April 2003. Having a great time with the new family of blond; blue eyed boys and girls. Snow fall average 75 inches per year.

## **Advice to Students:**

Set high goals and exceed them. Give something back to your profession.

## **Class Comments:**

You are the greatest, miss you, stay in touch.

# Robert Marlin Brown

**Company:** Tome Animal Care

**Spouse:** Diana (Giulioni) Brown

**Children:** Tregg (1964)

**Career News:** Karina (1967)

I had my own small animal hospital in Port Deposit, Maryland for the last 22 years. I have been enjoying retirement since July 2007.

**Education:**

BA, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1972

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

**Professional Memberships:**

MDVMA, AVMA, CVMA, KVMA.

# Donald H Campbell

## **Career History, Community Service, Etc.:**

Algae biofuel and Algae Nutrition research, Bainter Construction, Hoxie, KS, present.

## **Education:**

BS, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1972

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

## **Advice to Students:**

Go green, save green.

# **Ray Alan Christiansen**

**Spouse:** Carol Christiansen

**Education:**

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

# Arthur Doniva DeHart

**Company:** Mid-Kansas Woman's Center

**Spouse:** Patricia S. DeHart

**Children:** Regan 8/13/1979  
Whitney 5/10/1983  
Zachary 10/9/1989

**Career History, Community Service, Etc.:**

Boarded Veterinary Medicine Texas and Kansas, now expired.

**Career News:**

Practice of Obstetrics and Gynecology. I am retiring from Obstetrics and practicing part-time in Gynecology.

**Education:**

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974  
MD, Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, Texas, 1977

**Professional Memberships:**

AMA, Kansas Medical Society Sedgwick Co. Medical Society

**Board Certifications:**

Ob/Gyn

**Honors/Civic Involvement:**

Best Doctor Award, Wichita Business Journal 2009-2018.

**Family News:**

Twin grandchildren in Los Angeles, California.

**Advice to Students:**

Dedicate yourself to lifelong learning.

**Class Comments:**

I have found memories of so many of you and would be very happy to reconnect.

# John Alexander Dwyer

**Company:** Retired

**Spouse:** Pam Dwyer

**Children:** Karin L.  
John A. Jr.

## **Career History, Community Service, Etc.:**

Career Army Officer, US Army, 1963-1969; Self-employed, three man mixed animal practice, N. Haverhill, NH, 1974-1984; US Army Reserve Veterinarian, 1980-2001; Self-employed, solo practitioner, mixed animal practice, Thetford Veterinary Clinic, Vermont, 1985-2000.

## **Career News:**

Retired from practice in December 2000.

## **Education:**

BS, US Military Academy, West Point, New York, 1963  
DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

## **Professional Memberships:**

VTVMA, AVMA, AABP

## **Honors/Civic Involvement:**

Captain, US Army, 1966-1974; Major, US Army, 1980-1995; Lt. Colonel, US Army, 1995-2000; Colonel, US Army, 2000-2001, retired.

## **Family News:**

Have four grandchildren.



# Edward Leon Epp

**Company:** Independence Animal Hospital

**Spouse:** Sherilyn Sue (Unruh) Epp

**Children:** Leslie R. (03/18/1978)  
Nathan C. (12/28/1979)

## **Career History, Community Service, Etc.:**

Owner, Independence Animal Hospital, Independence, KS, 1975-present. Have been in the same mixed animal practice in Independence, KS, since graduation. Kathi Bolton, (KSU '94) is an associate veterinarian at Independence Animal Hospital..

## **Career News:**

Retired

## **Education:**

BS, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1972  
DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

## **Professional Memberships:**

KSVMA, AVMA

## **Offices Held:**

Board of Advisors, Christian Veterinary Mission, February 2009-2017.

## **Family News:**

Daughter, Leslie, married Justin Gordon on August 31, 2008. Son, Nathan, served in Peace Corps in Uganda from March 2006 thru April 2008. I have participated in multiple short-term mission trips to Haiti, Honduras, and Nicaragua through Christian Veterinary Mission.

## **Advice to Students:**

Find a good mentor. Keep you priorities (faith, family, career) in order.

## **Class Comments:**

Hope everyone has enjoyed veterinary medicine as much as I have. It has opened doors I never would have thought possible.

# Mel H Falk

**Company:** Hidden Valley Animal Hospital

**Spouse:** Colleen (Birk) Falk

**Children:** William Jarad (11/07/1975)  
Justin Adam (11/21/1977)  
Bryan Jacob (07/14/ 1979)  
Benjamin Eric (07/03/1981)

## **Career History, Community Service, Etc.:**

Veterinarian, Belleville, KS, 1974; Veterinarian, Geneva, NE, 1974-1975; Veterinarian, Independence Animal Hospital, Independence, MO, 1975-1993; Owner, Hidden Valley Animal Hospital, 1993-present. Hidden Valley Animal Hospital was selected by Vet Economics magazine as a merit award winner in their hospital design contest (1998). Received city of Independence landscape beautification award for hospital in 1998.

## **Career News:**

Koko and I sold Hidden Valley Animal Hospital in May 2018 to NVA. Retired from practice in January 2020.

## **Education:**

BS, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1972  
DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

## **Professional Memberships:**

MOVMA, AVMA, AAHA, AAV

## **Offices Held:**

Vice President, Animal Emergency Clinic Board, 1988-1992; Kansas City Veterinary Medical Association, Executive Board's Missouri Representative, 2008-2013; Missouri Academy of Veterinary Practice, 2008-present; Missouri Veterinary Medical Association, 2013-present; Vice Chairman, 2014; President Elect, 2015; President, 2016; Heartland Conference Program Chairman, 2016; Chairman of the Board, 2017, MVMA PAC chairman for 12 years

## **Honors/Civic Involvement:**

Messiah Lutheran Church, Assistant Executive Director, Independence, MO, 1988-1990; Assistant Nation Chief, Indian Guides, Independence, MO, 1985; Vice-Chairman, Timothy Lutheran Congregation, Blue Springs, MO, 2002-present; Vice-Chairman, Messiah Lutheran School Board, 1984-1988; Hidden Valley Animal Hospital received AAHA status. Executive Board and Elder at Timothy Lutheran Church

## **Family News:**

We have 11 grandchildren, 8 live in KC area and 3 live in France.

## **Advice to Students:**

Strive to limit school debt and own your practice.

## **Class Comments:**

It will be great seeing everyone in June.

# Cynthia Ann Feldkamp

**Company:** Lone Rock Ranch

**Spouse:** Ronald George Feldkamp  
**Children:** Seth Austin (08/03/1976)  
Ty Jerome (03/14/1979)  
Will Benjamin (05/11/1981)

## **Career History, Community Service, Etc.:**

Bullfoot Vet Clinic, 1979-2002; Ark Valley Veterinary Hospital, Great Bend, KS, 2002-2003.

## **Career News:**

Consultant, The Center for Improvement of Human Functioning, International, Inc, Wichita, KS, 2002 to present;  
Nutritional Research, The Center for Improvement of Human Functioning, International, Inc, Wichita, KS,  
2003-2005; Banfield, The Pet Hospital, Denver, CO, 2005; Banfield, The Pet Hospital, Wichita, KS, 2006-2008.

## **Education:**

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

## **Professional Memberships:**

AVMA

## **Honors/Civic Involvement:**

Founder and manager, Kingery Community Scholarship, Sylvan Grove, KS; Deacon's Wife, Church of Christ, Salina, KS, 2003-2005; Elder's Wife, Church of Christ, Salina, KS, 2005-present.

## **Family News:**

Granddaughter, Anna Marie Feldkamp, was born 6/13/2007 in Saginaw, TX. She and her parents will be joining our farm/ranch business in August 2009.

## **Advice to Students:**

Investigate other careers besides medical practice. Keep current. Read multiple journals.

## **Class Comments:**

Thanks for the memories!

# Ronald George Feldkamp

**Company:** Bullfoot Vet Clinic

**Home Address:** 1230 E Hawk Dr.  
Lincoln, KS 67455

Phone: (785) 526-7759

Email: cindy.feldkamp@yahoo.com

**Spouse:** Cynthia Ann (Dawson) Feldkamp

**Children:** Seth Austin (08/03/1976)  
Ty Jerome (03/14/1979)  
Will Benjamin (05/11/1981)

## **Career History, Community Service, Etc.:**

Owner, Bullfoot Vet Clinic, 1979-2003.

## **Career News:**

Retired from cow/calf practice 2003, full time rancher at Lone Rock Ranch Registered Red Angus.

## **Education:**

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

## **Professional Memberships:**

KSVMA, AVMA

## **Offices Held:**

President, Lincoln Co. Fair Board, 1986-1987; President, Kansas Red Angus Association, 2000-2003.

# Charles Edgar Fox

**Company:** Wilco Veterinary Clinic

**Spouse:** Judy A Fox

**Children:** Shannon J. (01/25/1973)

**Career News:** Shawn P. (05/28/1974)  
Shane D. (05/20/1977)  
Seth C. (05/05/1980)

I continue to practice as our youngest son, Seth, a 2012 KSU CVM graduate joined the practice following graduation. We added an associate, Brandi Tharp-Houdeshelt in 2017.

## **Education:**

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

## **Professional Memberships:**

KSVMA, AVMA

## **Honors/Civic Involvement:**

Member, Chamber of Commerce, Fredonia Arts Council, Fredonia Historical Society, and Gideons; Board Member, Calvary Wesleyan Church. 2007 Chamber Champion.

## **Family News:**

Judy and I have 15 grandchildren, our oldest is 17 and our youngest not yet 1. They are all within 70 miles of us so we are kept busy attending their activities in church, school, and community.

## **Advice to Students:**

I would encourage them to obtain as much exposure to all facets of veterinary medicine as possible while in veterinary school.

## **Class Comments:**

I hope everyone has enjoyed the veterinary experience and continues to do so.

# Edward Alan Fries

**Company:** Hillcrest Pet Hospital

**Spouse:** Patricia (Gonzalez) Fries

**Children:** Sarah Jeanne

**Education:** Alan J.

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

**Professional Memberships:**

CAVMA, AVMA, AAHA

**Honors/Civic Involvement:**

25 Year AAHA Certified Hospital Award, 2006

# **Jon Robert Gillilan**

**Company:** Retired - The Harry Pet Clinic

**Education:**

BA, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1970  
DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

**Professional Memberships:**

KSVMA, AVMA

# Michael James Gilsdorf

**Company:** International Animal Health Solutions LLC

**Spouse:** Linda (Chastain) Gilsdorf

**Children:** Brian P.  
Jennifer L.  
Kristine M.  
Laura J.

## **Career History, Community Service, Etc.:**

Relief Veterinarian, Mixed, Manhattan, KS, 1974; Veterinary Medical Officer, USDA, APHIS, Veterinary Service, Manhattan, KS, 1974-1977; Head of Brucellosis Vaccination Project, National Veterinary Service Laboratory, Ames, IA, 1977-1978; Head of Animal Resource Secretary, National Veterinary Service Laboratory, Ames, IA, 1978-1982; Assistant Area Veterinarian-in-Charge, USDA, APHIS, Veterinary Service, Topeka, KS, 1982-1984; Staff Veterinarian, Import Products, USDA, APHIS, Veterinary Service, Hyattsville, MD, 1984-1985; Senior Staff Veterinarian, Cattle Diseases, USDA, APHIS, Veterinary Service, Hyattsville, MD, 1985-1986; Senior Staff Veterinarian, Export Animal, USDA, APHIS, Veterinary Service, Hyattsville, MD, 1986-1989; Senior Staff Epidemiologist, USDA, APHIS, Veterinary Service, Hyattsville, MD, 1989-1990; USDA, APHIS, Veterinary Service, Cattle Diseases and Surveillance Staff, National Brucellosis Epidemiologist, 1990-1997; USDA, APHIS, Veterinary Service, Chief of the National Animal Health Programs Staff, 1997-present.

## **Education:**

BS, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1972  
DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974  
MS, Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa, 1981

## **Professional Memberships:**

Air Animal Transport Association; AALAS; American Embryo Transfer Society; International Embryo Transfer Society; NAFV.

## **Offices Held:**

Chapter Vice President and President, AALAS; Import/Export Committee member (1989), International Embryo Transfer Society; Regional Representative, Chapter President (1989-1990), Board of Directors (1990-1994), Association President (1995-1996), NAFV; President, Iowa AALAS, 1981; Vice President, 1987-1988, President, 1988-1989, Board of Director, 1988-1990, NAFV Hyattsville Chapter.

## **Honors/Civic Involvement:**

Acting AVIC, Iowa, 1980, Florida, 1980, Texas, 1980, Montana, 1983, North Dakota, 1984, Kansas, 1984; USDA, Certificate of Merit and Cash Award, 1984, 1988, 1997; USDA Honor Award and Superior Service Award, 1992; Author or Co-Author of 16 publications, Several creative works; Board Member, Iowa AALAS, 1980-1982; Little League Baseball, coach, 1983; Teacher of Catholic Christian Doctrine, 1987-1988; St. Joseph Athletic Association, coach and assistant coach-basketball, 1987-1997. 2015 Alumni Recognition Award, Kansas State University College of Veterinary Medicine - American Veterinary Medical Association



# Eric Gofreed

**Company:** Retired

**Spouse:** Joanne (Worthington) Gofreed

**Education:**  
DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

# Norman Hansmeyer

**Company:** Winfield Veterinary Clinic

**Education:**

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

# Marc Steven Hardin

**Company:** Metcalf 107 Animal Clinic

**Children:** Gregory Price (10/08/1974)  
Nathaniel Marc (11/13/976)  
Benjamin Warren (03/10/1979)  
Lydia Kathleen (04/21/1995)  
Madeleine Victoria (06/03/1997)

## **Career History, Community Service, Etc.:**

Association DVM, Midwest Pet Hospital, Kansas City, MO, 1974; Partner, Johnson County Animal Clinic, Overland Park, KS, 1975-1983; Owner, Metcalf 107 Animal Clinic, Overland Park, KS, 1983-present.

## **Career News:**

Practicing veterinarian for 45 years.

## **Education:**

BS, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1972  
DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

## **Professional Memberships:**

KSVMA, AVMA, AAHA

## **Honors/Civic Involvement:**

Overland Park, KS Civic Band, 1980-1986; Church of Resurrection, Leawood, KS, 1993-present; Member, Gideons International, Kansas City, 1979-2006. Numerous athletic awards. Stroke survivor of the Year, American Stroke Association.

I run marathons, 1/2 marathons, 10K's and 5K's every year. Stroke in 2000. I'm somewhat slower and have balance issues but I still compete running and biking. Top 10% of my age/sex in Disney World 1 1/2 marathon run! (01/10/2009 & 01/11/2009)

Some of my running marathon achievements:

91st Boston Marathon in 2:57.17 (1986)

100th Boston Marathon in 3:24.06 (1987)

Lincoln, Nebraska Marathon in 2:54.40 (1987)

Goofy and Challenge in Orlando, Florida, 1/10 & 1/11- 2009

1/2 marathon on the 10th- 2:03

Full marathon on the 11th 4:24 (combined distance of 39.3 miles)

## **Family News:**

Six grandchildren. I run marathons and have sung in the Church of Resurrection traditional choir for 25 years.

# Larry Willard Hartke

**Company:** Retired

**Spouse:** Jean A. Hartke

**Education:**

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974  
MS, Texas A&M University, College Station Texas, 1976

**Professional Memberships:**

KSVMA, AVMA

**Board Certifications:**

ACVPM

**Family News:**

Retired 1999 from the U.S. Army, went back to work for the USDA and retired again in 2008. It seem that my longevity with being employed is getting shorter.

**Advice to Students:**

As a student in veterinary medicine be all you can be, grab on and keep climbing. The journey you're on will only get better with time, just remember those who have helped along the way and say thanks.

**Class Comments:**

Hi to all, hope to see you all at the reunion in June. Take care.

# James E Harvey

**Company:** Peach Orchard Veterinary Clinic

**Spouse:** Mary J (Gechter) Harvey

**Children:** Jason

**Education:** Jessica

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

**Professional Memberships:**

SCVMA, AVMA

# Robert Clark Howland

**Company:** Dr Bob's Pet Shop  
**Spouse:** Charlotte Howlin  
**Children:** Resa Ruth Eastwood (08/06/1975)  
Jodi Julane Hart (03/10/1978)  
Mackenzie Robin Williamson (07/27/1981),  
Robert Clark (Bo) Howland III (09/14/1982)  
Jesse Charles Howard (11/03/1981)

## **Career History, Community Service, Etc.:**

Clinician, Mixed Practice, Valley City, ND, 1974-1975; Clinician, Emergency and Relief, Denver, CO, 1975-1976; Clinician, Small Animal, Littleton, CO, 1975-1976; Owner/Clinician, Villa Veterinary Clinic (changed name to Dr. Bob's Vet Shop, 2003), Lakewood, CO, 1976-present; Clinician, Animal Emergency Service, 1992-1998.

## **Career News:**

President of Denver Area Veterinary Medical Society, 1998-1999; Colorado Veterinary Academy Scholar, 2002 & 2008; Summer 2003 changed clinic name from 33 years as Villa Veterinary Clinic to Dr. Bob's Vet Shop as had always wanted this name. Computerized at last in 2000, and an EKG/monitor in 2003, laser surgery in 2006, in house lab index in 2007 and Heska in October 2008.

## **Education:**

BA Zoology, University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas, 1970  
DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

## **Professional Memberships:**

AVMA, DAVMS

## **Offices Held:**

Denver Area Veterinary Medical Society, Public Information Chairman, 1980-1981; Treasurer 1981-1982 & 1994-1995; Vice-President, 1996-1997; President-Elect, 1997-1998; President, 1998-1999; Past-President, 1999-2000; CE Committee, 2003-2007; West Area Director, 2004-2006; Treasurer, 2006-2007; Secretary-Treasurer, 2007-2008.

## **Honors/Civic Involvement:**

Advisor, Exploring, BSA, Lakewood, CO 1977-1985 & 1994-2000; Outstanding Advisor, 1978; Paul Harris Fellow (Rotary) 1997 - for Expl work

## **Family News:**

Marriage to Charlotte in 1998; Journey of two weeks to Scotland in March 2003 to visit where Jess was studying abroad; caught my personal record Colorado Brown trout, last day of summer, 2003. Grandchildren now up to seven- Resa and Eric have Elena, Kai and Zane; Jodi and Nate have Naomi, Stella and Ana; Mackenzie and Brad have Annalise.

## **Advice to Students:**

Never stop studying in school and after. Take some business classes whenever possible especially if you want to own/manage a practice.

## **Class Comments:**

**There is always an open door for you in Denver. I always enjoy the visits from Mike Gilsdorf when he comes in briefly**

# **Richard Joseph Indrieri**

**Company:** Retired

**Spouse:** Christine Anne (Schmeiser) Indrieri

**Education:**

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

# Robert Bruce Johnson

**Company:** Plicher Animal Hospital

**Spouse:** Susan Sandon (Pfeifer) Johnson

**Education:**  
DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974



# William Clark Keller

**Company:** Retired

**Spouse:** Janet Elaine (Tillberg (KSU-1974)) Keller

**Children:** William R. Keller (07/17/1980)  
Benjamin C. Keller (07/02/1983)

## **Career History, Community Service, Etc.:**

Chief, Consultant Toxicology, USAF OEHL, Brooks AFB, TX, 1984-1986; Director, Toxicology/Radiation Hazards, Aerospace Medical Division, Brooks AFB, TX, 1986-1987; Veterinary Toxicologist, FDA/CVM, Rockville, MD, 1987-1988; Chief, Hormones and Pharmaceutical Agents Branch, FDA/CVM, 1988-1991; Director, Division of Surveillance, FDA/CVM, 1991-1996; Director, Division of Epidemiology and Surveillance, 1996-2002; Regulatory Affairs Consultant 2004-2008; Retired.

## **Career News:**

Retired 2008

## **Education:**

AA, Dodge City Community College, Dodge City, Kansas, 1968  
BA, Kansas University, Lawrence, Kansas, 1971  
DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974  
MS, The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, 1978

## **Professional Memberships:**

KSVMA, AVMA, AAVCT

## **Offices Held:**

Vice President, ABVT, 1988-1991.

## **Board Certifications:**

ABVT, ABT

## **Honors/Civic Involvement:**

Author/Co-author of many scientific/technical papers; 0-6 PHS Commission Corps; USAF Scientific Achievement Award, 1984; American Academy of Veterinary and Comparative Toxicology; Association of Government Toxicologists; American Conference of Government Industrial Hygienists.

## **Family News:**

Janet and I are both retired and managing our real-estate investments. Our older son, Will is Director of In Patient Psychiatry at Dartmouth University Medical School and our younger son, Ben is a PHS Commissioned Corps. Pharmacist and Regional Pharmacy Director, Senior Health Service Officer, San Juan, Puerto Rico Coast Guard Base Medical Clinic.

## **Advice to Students:**

Keep an open mind about where professional opportunities may take you and do your best each day.

## **Class Comments:**

I hope our profession has been as good to you as it has to me.

# Armin Dale Kelly

**Company:** Retired

**Spouse:** Vicki Kelly

**Children:** Two sons

**Education:**

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

**Professional Memberships:**

KSVMA, AVMA

# David Wasley Krogdahl

**Company:** Valley Veterinary Clinic

**Children:** Kate  
Zach

## **Career History, Community Service, Etc.:**

Residency, Non-domestic Animals, University of California, Davis, CA, 1976; Private Practice, Forsyth Mitchell, Christchurch, New Zealand, 1974-1975; Residency Zoological Medical, University of Davis, 1976-1978; Private Practice, Mixed Santa Fe, NM, 1978-1989.

## **Education:**

BS, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1972  
DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

# Kyle William LaRosh

**Company:** Pleasant Valley Veterinary Clinic P A

**Spouse:** Denise Marie (Volpe) LaRosh

**Children:** Kamila M. LaRosh (05/22/1975)  
Kristin H. LaRosh (11/17/1977)  
Kraig W. LaRosh (11/09/1983)  
Shane A. Howard (06/28/1985)

## **Career History, Community Service, Etc.:**

Owner, Mixed Animal Practice, Pleasant Valley Veterinary Clinic, presently.

## **Career News:**

I am owner of the Pleasant Valley Veterinary Clinic, a mixed animal practice with a professional emphasis in dairy medicine. The demographics have changed over the years away from large animal medicine to urban small animal practice. I'm finding great enjoyment in feline medicine, and am beginning to think it would make a great pre-retirement career.

## **Education:**

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

## **Professional Memberships:**

KSVMA, AVMA

## **Offices Held:**

PARR, Professional Committee, KVMA, 1993-1994.

## **Honors/Civic Involvement:**

Secretary/Treasurer, Kiwanis, 1988-1997.

# Charles Walter Leathers

**Company:** Retired - Washington State University (2016)

**Spouse:** Nancy Margaret (Bodmer) Leathers

**Career History, Community Service, Etc.:**

Postdoctoral Fellow, Bowman Gray School of Medicine, 1974-1977; Assistant Professor, Washington State University, 1977-1983; Associate Professor, 1983-1992; Professor, 1992-2016; Associate Director, Washington Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory (1992-2016).

**Education:**

BS, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1972

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

PhD, Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem, North Carolina, 1977

**Professional Memberships:**

KSVMA, AVMA, Washington VMA, American Association Laboratory Animal Science.

**Board Certifications:**

ACLAM

**Honors/Civic Involvement:**

Adult leader, BSA, Pullman, WA, 1978-1981; Norden Distinguished Teaching Award, Pullman, WA, 1984, 1992, 2008.

# Nancy Margaret Leathers

**Company:** Retired

**Spouse:** Charles Walter Leathers

**Career History, Community Service, Etc.:**

Clinical Veterinarian, Ard-Vista Animal Hospital, Winston Salem, NC, 1974-1975.

**Education:**

BS, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1972

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

**Professional Memberships:**

KSVMA, AVMA

**Honors/Civic Involvement:**

Whitman County Genealogical Society, Librarian, 1984-1985.

Librarian - Family History Center, Moscow Idaho, 1991- present.

# **John Knight Leblond**

## **Education:**

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

# Ronald Roy Lee

**Company:** Eudora Animal Hospital

**Children:** Jenny (09/23/1975)  
Julie (08/11/1980)

**Career History, Community Service, Etc.:**

General Practice, Pryor Veterinary Clinic, OK, 1974-1975; General practice and Owner, Eudora Animal Hospital, KS, 1975-present.

**Education:**

BS, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1972  
DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

**Professional Memberships:**

KSVMA, AVMA, Douglas County VMA, Kansas City VMA

**Offices Held:**

President, Lions Club, Eudora, KS, 1979-1980, 1981-1982; President, Douglas Co. VMA, 1989.

**Family News:**

Grandkids count up to 5.

**Class Comments:**

Looking forward to seeing everyone!



# Thomas K McCoy

**Company:** Harvard Avenue Veterinary Hospital

**Spouse:** Janet L (McCance) McCoy

**Education:**

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

# Mark Stewart Means

**Company:** Retired - Alpine Pet Clinic

**Spouse:** Joanne Means

**Education:**  
DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

# Raymond Leon Metzner

**Company:** Metzner Cattle Co.

**Spouse:** Rita (passed away in Sept. 02)

**Children:** Angelica 12-03-1971

**Education:** Ann Marie 3-12-1975

Mark 2-23-1980

Dan 6-25-1981

University of Nebraska 1970

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

**Professional Memberships:**

AVMA

# Robert Martin Meyer

**Spouse:** Judith (Eiland) Meyer

**Children:** Jason Whitley

## **Career History, Community Service, Etc.:**

Private Practice, Ft. Morgan, CO, 1974-1975; Private Practice, Hudson, CO, 1975-1979; Veterinary Medical Officer, USDA-APHIS, Tuscon, AZ, 1979-1982; Bovine Tuberc Epidemiologist, USDA-APHIS, Ft. Collins, CO, 1982.

## **Career News:**

2005-10 Tb Epiemicology- USDA APHIS Veternairy Services  
2010-2017 Assistat State Veternairan; Wyoming Livestock Board

## **Education:**

BS, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1972  
DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974  
MS, Colorado State, Ft. Collins, Colorado, 1988

## **Professional Memberships:**

USAHA, NAFV

## **Offices Held:**

TB Committee, USAHA, 1990; District Representative, Colorado VMA, 1993.

## **Honors/Civic Involvement:**

Developed the Tuberculosis Information Management System; City Council, Hudson, CO, 1978; Elks #804, Ft. Collins, CO.

# **Richard Allen Mohney**

**Company:** Arapahoe Veterinary Clinic

**Spouse:** Barbara Mohney

**Education:**  
DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

# Richard Arthur Mosier

**Company:** Long Tooth Enterprises LLC

**Spouse:** Mary Elizabeth (Mann) Mosier

**Children:** R.D. 1982

**Career News:** Melissa 1983  
Tomora 1983  
Jennifer 1988  
Andrew 1991

Retired 2015

**Education:**

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

**Professional Memberships:**

ORVMA, AVMA, AAEP, NEPA

**Offices Held:**

NEPA - President 2001-2004

# Deborah Jan Noble

**Company:** Retired in 2016

**Spouse:** Charles Dwane Noble (deceased)

**Career History, Community Service, Etc.:**

Veterinary Practice, Lombard Animal Clinic, Lombard, IL, 1974-1994; House call practice, presently.

**Career News:**

My husband, Dwane, died Feb. 2016 from complications of Myasthenia Gravis. I retired from vet. practice shortly thereafter. I have been in transition both personally and professionally these last few years.

**Education:**

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

**Professional Memberships:**

KSVMA, AVMA, Chicago VMA

**Advice to Students:**

Try your best. Listen and learn from others. Put down that cell phone from time to time.

**Class Comments:**

Hope these "golden" years treat you kindly. All my best!!

# Gretchen Elizabeth Peterson

**Work Address:** Lost

**Home Address:** Lost

**Children:** Christian Comstock  
Pilar Elizabeth Ingrid

## **Career History, Community Service, Etc.:**

Self-employed Veterinarian, Armstrong Veterinary Services, Armstrong, BC, 1974-1976; Veterinarian, BF Veterinary Clinic, Bonners Ferry, Idaho, 1976-1980; Veterinarian, Columbia Veterinary Services, Windermere, BC, 1982-present.

## **Education:**

BA, William Smith College, Geneva, New York, 1964  
BS, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1972  
DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

## **Honors/Civic Involvement:**

AVAR; PETA; Animal Defense League of Canada; Sierra Club.



# Steven Neil Quillin

**Spouse:** Nancy Quillin

**Career History, Community Service, Etc.:**

Dr. Steve Quillin is from South Haven, KS. He graduated from Kansas State University in 1974. He originally practiced at Bryant Veterinary Hospital in Edmond prior to early retirement to become a pastor at what is now Life Church. Dr. Quillin has been with Memorial Road Pet Hospital since 2003. His primary interests are dermatology and oncology. Dr. Quillin and his wonderful wife, Nancy, have 3 children and 7 grandchildren.

**Education:**

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

# Richard James Rahija

**Company:** Saint Jude Children's Resident Hospital

**Spouse:** Linda Rae (Snell) Rahija

**Children:** Bryan Rahija

## **Career History, Community Service, Etc.:**

Associate Member, St. Jude Faculty Director, Animal Resources Center, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Memphis, TN

## **Career News:**

Research Interests: Laboratory animal medicine; animal and biohazard containment facility design; pathogenesis of murine infectious diseases

## **Education:**

BS, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1972

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

PhD, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, 1989

## **Professional Memberships:**

AVMA, OTHER

## **Board Certifications:**

ACLAM

## **Honors/Civic Involvement:**

Research Award, American Association of Laboratory Animal Science, 1992; Secretary/Treasurer, North Carolina Academy of Laboratory Animal Medicine, 1992-present; Author of several research articles.

## **Advice to Students:**

Set goals and develop a plan for achieving them. There will be many good and a few negative unexpected events in life. Stay positive and persistent in your pursuits. Hard work is its own reward! Celebrate your personal and professional successes.

## **Class Comments:**

Put more life in your years and you will get more years in your life.

# Phyllis Ann Randall

**Education:**

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

# Barton Lee Richards

**Spouse:** Sandra (Kiefer) Richards

**Children:** Two Children.

**Education:**

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

# Larry M Richards

**Company:** Gladstone Animal Clinic

**Spouse:** Kathleen Richards

**Children:** Benjamin (01/15/1986)  
Michael (12/18/1988)

## **Career History, Community Service, Etc.:**

Immediately after graduating, I began my career at the Gladstone Animal Clinic. In 1977, another K-State graduate, John Clifford, and myself formed a partnership and purchased Gladstone Animal Clinic. He and I built a new clinic at virtually the same location in 1986 and remained partners until 1996 when he had to retire for medical reasons. That same year Dr. Jeff Schlager, an MU graduate purchased Dr. Clifford's portion, and he and I are currently partners at this time.

## **Education:**

BS, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1972  
DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

## **Professional Memberships:**

MOVMA, AVMA, AAHA, Kansas City VMA

## **Honors/Civic Involvement:**

Scoutmaster Troop 312 BSA, Smithville, MO.

## **Family News:**

Both my sons have earned their Eagle in Boy Scouts.

# Sandra Richards

**Company:** Retired

**Spouse:** Barton Lee Richards

**Children:** Two

**Education:**

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

# Jack Joe Robinson

**Company:** Retired - Centralia Animal Clinic

**Spouse:** Mary Beth (Kelley) Robinson

**Children:** Casey Robinson (06/21/1975)

Todd Robinson (03/28/1978)

## **Career History, Community Service, Etc.:**

Owner/Veterinarian, mixed animal practice, Centralia Animal Clinic, Centralia, KS, 1975-present.

## **Education:**

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

## **Professional Memberships:**

KSVMA, AVMA

## **Family News:**

We have two new grandsons, Jackson and Grant.

# Mary Beth Robinson

**Company:** Retired -Centralia Animal Clinic

**Spouse:** Jack J. Robinson

**Children:** Casey Robinson (06/21/1975)  
Todd Robinson (03/28/1978)

**Career History, Community Service, Etc.:**

Owner/Veterinarian, mixed animal practice, Centralia Animal Clinic, Centralia, KS, 1975-present.

**Education:**

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

**Family News:**

We have two new grandsons, Jackson and Grant.



# John Douglas Rowe

**Company:** John D Rowe DVM LLC

**Spouse:** Karen Rose Rowe

**Children:** Sarah - 04/24/77

**Education:** Nancy - 06/19/80  
Meg - 10/20/83

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

**Professional Memberships:**

AVMA, AVC

# **Karla Sophia Rugh**

## **Education:**

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

# Frank Charles Scharf

**Company:** Retired

**Spouse:** Sharon Anne (VonEuw) Scharf

**Children:** Ashley  
Hayley

## **Career History, Community Service, Etc.:**

Assistant Professor, Fresno State University, 1976-1978 (part-time).

## **Education:**

AAS, State University of New York, Albany, New York, 1964

BS, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1972

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

## **Honors/Civic Involvement:**

Military Service, SP5, US Army Medical Corps, 1967-1970.

# N. Duane Schnittker

**Company:** Retired

**Spouse:** Sue Ann (Tasker) Schnittker

**Children:** Sarah Schnittker Serrin  
Theresa Schnittker Rhoades

## **Career History, Community Service, Etc.:**

Veterinarian, Conejo Valley Vet. Clinic, Thousand Oaks, CA, 1974-1977; Veterinarian, Fremont Vet. Clinic, Stockton, CA, 1977-1978; Veterinarian, Academy Acres Vet. Clinic, Colorado Springs, CO, 1978-1979; Veterinarian/Partner, Brentwood Vet. Clinic, Brentwood, CA, 1979-present.

## **Education:**

BS, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1971  
DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

## **Professional Memberships:**

CAVMA, AVMA, Contra Costa County VMA

## **Family News:**

First Grandchild- Greyson Cooper Rhoades, September, 2008.

# Darrell Joseph Schweitzer

**Company:** Retired

**Children:** Cynthia 11/04/1966

**Career News:** Roger 12/15/1969

Retired

**Education:**

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

MS, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, Colorado, 1979

**Family News:**

Spouse passed away

**Class Comments:**

Hello to all.

# Lillian Lea Sigle

**Company:** Riverside Animal Clinic

**Spouse:** Leonard O. Moen

**Children:** Jennifer L.  
Laura M.

## **Career History, Community Service, Etc.:**

USDA Veterinarian, APHIS, Kansas, 1974-1975; Veterinarian, Longview, WA, 1975-1981; Owner/Veterinarian, Riverside Animal Hospital, Kelso, WA, 1981-1989.

## **Career News:**

Semi Retired

## **Education:**

BS, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1972

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

## **Professional Memberships:**

WAVMA, AVMA, AAHA

## **Honors/Civic Involvement:**

Business and Professional Women, Longview, WA, 1988-1989; Chamber of Commerce, Kelso and Longview, 1988-present; Parent-Teacher Association, Longview; Kelso Rotary, 1990-present; State Public Information Committee, Washington VMA, 1993; WA Pilots Association; Ham Radio Club.

# Allen Ray Sippel

**Spouse:** Jeanne L (Reichenberger) Sippel

**Children:** Michelle Lynn (09/02/1979)  
Travis Ray (12/02/1983)

**Career History, Community Service, Etc.:**

I have practiced large animal (feedlot and swine) medicine on a herd health basis. I am also actively involved in livestock production.

**Education:**

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

**Professional Memberships:**

NEVMA, AVMA, AASP

# Tom Burton Taul

**Company:** Kansas State University

**Children:** Kelly (07/21/1978)  
Wylie (03/05/1980)  
Baylee (09/13/1981)

## **Career History, Community Service, Etc.:**

Owner, Mixed Animal Practice, Baldwin City, KS, 1976-1988; Livestock Market Inspector, Kansas Animal Health Department, Topeka, KS, 1988-2019; Manage, Artificial Breeding Unit, Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS, 2001-2019.

## **Career News:**

Provide Veterinary Services for the Manhattan Commission Company here in Manhattan, Kansas, and manage artificial breeding unit for the Animal Science Department at Kansas State University.

## **Education:**

BS, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1972  
DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

## **Professional Memberships:**

KSVMA, AVMA, SFT

## **Honors/Civic Involvement:**

County commissioner for Douglas County, Kansas 1997-2001; Riley County Kansas Planning and Zoning Board 2001-2019.

## **Family News:**

Wife Nancy died 9-2-2001; Wylie graduated from Kansas State University in 2003 in Political Science; Baylee graduated from Kansas State University in 2004 in Financial Planning; Kelly attended Kansas State University and is pursuing an art career.



# Wayne Erwin Thiele

**Company:** Retired

**Spouse:** Marlit Lee (Field) Thiele

**Children:** Shelbi Marie (06/20/1977)

**Career News:** Vanessa Anne (09/19/1978)

Retired in July 2007.

**Education:**

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

**Professional Memberships:**

CAVMA, AVMA, Southern California VMA

**Family News:**

We moved to Missouri, MT in 2017 to be near our two granddaughters. We are enjoying the area and the new city. Still trying to travel and want to see the gorillas in Rwanda or Uganda.

# Ernest Joseph Tomas

**Company:** Johnson

**Spouse:** Luanne J. Tomas

**Children:** Nathan (04-22-1975)  
Erin (07-02-1978)  
Scott (12-6-1980)  
Patrick (11-11-1983)

## **Career History, Community Service, Etc.:**

Town and Country Animal Clinic, Hazard, Kentucky. Trailane Research Farm and Kennels, Soldier, KS.  
Candyopolis/Mr Bulky Candy Stores, KS, MO, OK, Texas.

## **Career News:**

MAPS, electronics/copier business, Leawood, KS.  
StarHouse LLC, Commercial Real Estate, Lenexa KS.

## **Education:**

Chicago Board of Options Exchange (CBOE).  
Chicago, Illinois.  
2005.  
Certified in brokering/trading USA indices, equities, and commodities.

## **Professional Memberships:**

AVMA

## **Honors/Civic Involvement:**

Lions Club, Hazard, Kentucky.  
Knights of Columbus, Leawood, Kansas.  
Friends of the Zoo, Kansas City, Missouri.

## **Family News:**

All members of extended family living well and active in many family and community projects.

## **Advice to Students:**

Be kind, be creative, and be professional thru out your entire life and career.

## **Class Comments:**

Hello Class of 1974. Time passes quickly. I hope each of you had a life filled with much personal growth and happiness. I hope your families are safe and secure. Lastly, I hope you take time to be thankful for attending Kansas State University and graduating with an envious degree in Veterinary Medicine. I am quite sure all of our life's experiences vastly exceeded our expectations. God bless you all.

Best, Ernie Tomas

# **Michael Stephen Tracy**

## **Education:**

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

# Vincent Traffas

**Company:** Retired - Smith Center Veterinary Clinic

**Spouse:** Patricia Traffas

**Education:**

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

# David Frederick Vogt

## **Education:**

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

# David Albert Voigt

**Company:** Retired - Apple Valley Veterinary Clinic

**Spouse:** Dana Janette (Paulich) Voigt

**Children:** Briana (04/08/1983)  
Brittany (12/05/1984)  
Haley (12/02/1987)

## **Career History, Community Service, Etc.:**

Veterinarian, Apparasha Pet Clinics, Menasha, WI, 1974-1976; Veterinarian, Trombley Animal Hospital, Appleton, WI, 1976-1981; Veterinarian/Owner, Apple Valley Veterinary Clinic, Appleton, WI, 1981-2014.

## **Education:**

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

## **Professional Memberships:**

WIVMA, AVMA, NEWVMA

## **Honors/Civic Involvement:**

Board of Directors, Lab Animal Committee, Lawrence University.

# Orval Richard Warehim

**Spouse:** Claudine L Warehime

**Children:** Mark

**Education:**

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

# Michael Lee Whitehair

**Company:** Abilene Animal Hospital  
**Spouse:** Catherine (Morse) Whitehair  
**Children:** Rebecca (01/03/1976)  
Martha (01/04/1979)

## **Career History, Community Service, Etc.:**

Presenter to local civic clubs on subject of BSE and FMD as they affect public health-2001  
Chairman of Sterl Hall Community Building Remodel Project 1995-1996  
USD #435 Board Member 1991-1999 - Vice President 1998-1999  
Central Kansas Free Fair - Director 1989-1995 President 1995  
County 4-H Leader - Veterinary Science 1981-1995  
Director-Citizen's Bank and Trust Company, First National Bank-Abilene, Pinnacle Bank- Abilene 1981-Present  
Abilene Chamber of Commerce 1979 - Present  
Community Award for Agricultural Service 2013  
Citizen of the Year Award 1996; Director 1989-1990; President 1989  
Abilene Rotary Club - Scholarship Chairman 1977- Present; President 1996  
Dickinson County Extension Council Board Member 1983-1986  
St. Andrews Catholic Church 1980-1983; Board Member 1996-1999, 1981-1984; President of School Board 1982-1983; President of Parish Council 1982-1983  
AVMA Board of Directors, 2012-2018-Chair of Board of Directors 2017-2018; Chair of search committee for new CEO of AVMA, 2016.

## **Education:**

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

## **Professional Memberships:**

KSVMA, AVMA, AAEP, AABP, AVC, ARV

## **Offices Held:**

President, KVMA; President, AVC, 1995-1999; Delegate-Kansas, AVMA, 1998-Present.; Presenter for Food Animal Seniors KSUCVM 2006-present; KSU Alumni Board Member 1996-1998; Dean's Search Committee 1997; KSU Veterinary Teaching Hospital Advisory Board 1995-1998; Presenter of Practice Management to junior class KSUCVM 1994; Presenter of IRM in Kansas to senior class KSUCVM 1992; KSU Alumni Association College of Veterinary Medicine Board 1990-1996, President 1994-1996; Presenter of Practice Philosophy to Veterinary Economics Class 2009, 1988, 1975; Dean's Search Committee, CVM 1987; Dean's Liaison Committee, CVM 1986

## **Honors/Civic Involvement:**

KSU, CVM, Alumni Recognition Award, 2002.

## **Family News:**

Grandson born March 22, 2010



# Robert Carter Young

**Spouse:** Deborah Jane (Sevedge) Young

**Children:** Bradley

**Education:** Melinda

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1974

MD, University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas, 1985

**Honors/Civic Involvement:**

MSSC; KMS; AMA; SOAP; Delegate, KMS, 1992-present.

## In Memoriam

### Thomas B. Avery Jr. DVM

Thomas Burt Avery, Jr. 45, Manhattan, Kansas, died May 17, 1988. Dr. Avery was on the faculty of Kansas State University and was an AVMA member.

### James D. Beesley DVM

James D. Beesley passed away due to kidney cancer on July 31, 2007. Thanks to Whatcom Hospice, he died peacefully at his home in Everson with his wife and beloved pets by his side. Jim was born on August 14, 1949, in Topeka, KS, to James K. and Dorothy M. Beesley. He was valedictorian of Pomona High School, graduating class of 1967, and he went on to graduate from Kansas State University College of Veterinary Medicine in 1973. Throughout Jim's high school and college years, he worked on various farms in Eastern Kansas. From 1974 to 1985, Jim practiced veterinary medicine at Mission Animal Hospital in Alhambra, CA. In 1985, he and his family moved to Whatcom County and, in 1986, he co-founded Glacierview Animal Hospital in Ferndale, where he practiced until 2001. For the past 6 years, he has worked part-time at Mountain Veterinary Hospital. Jim was preceded in death by his father, Jim, and his brother Mike. He is survived by his wife Kathryn, his son James "J.C." of Las Vegas, his mom Dorothy Beesley of Ottawa, KS, his sister Jo Anne (Ronnie) Willford of Wichita, KS, special aunt and uncle Ruth and Neil Carlson, and best friends Rick Baxter, Fletcher Simmons and George Chervenak. This kind, gentle man will be terribly missed by both his two- and four-legged family and friends. At his request, there will be no services, but donations can be made in Jim's name to Whatcom Hospice, or one's favorite environmental or animal welfare organization.

### Richard D. Conner DVM

Richard Conner, 61, of Leawood, Kan., passed away October 12, 2011, at the Kansas City Hospice House. A private celebration of Rick's life will be held at a future date. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations in Rick's memory to KC Hospice House, 12000 Wornall, Kansas City, MO 64145. Rick was born July 12, 1950, in Columbus, Kan., son of Marvin and Melba Conner. He graduated from Lawrence High School and Kansas State University with a Doctorate of Veterinarian Medicine. Most recently, Rick served as Senior Vice President-Investment Officer for Wells Fargo Advisors, LLC. He was an avid golfer and member of the club at Porto Cima, Sunrise Beach, Mo. He was a member of the KSU Alumni Association, AVMA, 4-H and FFA. In memory of Rick's son, Ryan, he and his wife supported the students in the Shawnee Mission East Photography One program. Rick is survived by a host of loving family and friends. Condolences may be shared at [www.CremationCenterKC.com](http://www.CremationCenterKC.com). Cremation Center of Kansas City, 4926 Johnson Dr, Shawnee Mission, KS. 66205, 913-384-5566

### Arthur R. Dirks DVM

Arthur (Art) Ray Dirks, 69, of Dodge City died Thursday, May 17, 2018. He was born April 30, 1949 at Trinity Hospital in Dodge City, Kansas to his parents, Harold F. and Opal (Cordes) Dirks. He attended Richland Valley Elementary School in rural Ford County, Kansas, graduating from Dodge City High School in 1967. He also graduated from Dodge City Junior College in 1969, followed by continued education at Kansas State University where he obtained both Bachelor of Science and Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degrees. His professional career included employment with the USDA in regulatory medicine at various meat packing plants in the Midwest. In his youth, he was active in baseball, basketball, FFA and 4-H. Later in life he became a horseback riding enthusiast. He is preceded in death by his parents, and is survived by two brothers, Randy and Arlan and a sister, Susan Carlson, nieces and nephews. Memorials to Kansas State University College of Veterinary Medicine in care of Ziegler Funeral Home, Dodge City, Ks. 67801

## In Memoriam

### Michael I. Good DVM

Michael Irwin Good, Springfield 72, 13-May, Greenlawn Funeral Home South. To plant trees in memory, please visit the [Sympathy Store](#).

### Robert A. Griffin DVM

Dr. Robert Arthur Griffin Sr., 85, Frankfort, passed away December 2, 2022, at his home. Robert was born on September 26, 1937, to Amos and Nina (Chadwick) Griffin in Colby, KS. After graduating from Colby High School, he served in the Marine Corp from 1956 to 1959. Upon his return from the service, he married Mary Rose Berls on September 5, 1959, in Selden, KS. To this union, four children were born. He worked for the gas company and the United Postal Service for some years after his return. Later, he attended Colby Junior College for two years and then proceeded to attend Kansas State University and received his doctorate degree in Veterinary Medicine. After his graduation from Kansas State, Robert and his family moved to Frankfort in 1974 and began working at the Animal Clinic P.A. until retirement. Preceding him in death were his parents; wife, Mary Rose; brothers, Royal, Fred and Claude; sister, Nina Farmer; and grandson, Ryan Anderson. Survivors include children, Laura Marie (Fred) Yaap, Wichita, KS, Dr. Robert Arthur (Terri) Griffin Jr., Frankfort, KS, Gary Michael (Lori) Griffin, Louisburg, KS, and Susan Ann Kite, Scott City, KS; grandchildren, Kyle Anderson and Tesla, Matt Anderson, Megan (Garret) Parthemer and children, Gabe, Brody, Autumn and Summer, Jessica (Brandon) Marean and children, Braelynne, Griffin and Everleigh, Taylor (Colton) McKnight and Aspen, Gentry (Drew) Harding and children, Rowan, Leighton and Hayes, Garrett (Sonya) Griffin and children Harper and Reese, Shelby (Ryan) Feely and children Teagan, Sage and Hudson, and Drew (Emily) Kite; and sisters Opal Linville and Beverly Huessmann. A memorial fund has been established to Frankfort EMS.

### Kenneth R. Kimbell DVM

August 5, 1998

### John D. Marlowe DVM

Services for John D. Marlowe 24, veterinarian at Dodge City Veterinarian Clinic, will be at 10:30 a.m. today in Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Greenleaf, Kan. He died Monday of injuries received in a two-vehicle collision on U.S. 154 east of Fort Dodge, Kan. Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Marlowe, Greenleaf. Brantley-Schroeder Funeral Home has charge.

### Leroy G. Meyer DVM

Roy Meyer entered eternal life at 10:41 a.m. November 13, 2020 at University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics in Iowa City. He was born September 2, 1950 to Frank and Mildred Meyer of Seneca, KS. Roy was raised in the Seneca, KS area. He graduated from Kansas State University, College of Veterinary Medicine in 1974. Roy then worked with Dr. David North in Ottumwa, IA for 40 years. He enjoyed being a veterinarian. Surviving is his wife, Sue; children, Tom (Sheary) Meyer and Lyndi (Allen) Jefferson; grandchildren Aiden and Addison Meyer and Harper Rose Jefferson; brothers, Gary, Dan, Terry, Mark, Alan and their families. He will be greeted in his eternal life by his parents, Frank and Mildred Meyer and his brother, Glen Meyer. Roy fought Leukemia and Aplastic Anemia for many years and he finally lost! Roy enjoyed bicycle riding and snow skiing with his children. His body has been cremated. There will be a family service and inurnment at 11 a.m. Friday, November 20<sup>th</sup> at Sacred Heart Cemetery in Baileyville, KS with words of comfort by his brother, Alan Meyer. Memorials may be made to Nemaha County Training Center, 12 South 11<sup>th</sup> St. Seneca, KS 66538 or Diamond Blackfan Anemia Foundation, PO Box 1092 West Seneca, NY 14224. Roy felt he enjoyed a good life with family and friends. He believed "Life is Good."

### Danny H. Naiman DVM

Danny was born on October 27, 1949 and passed away on Sunday, February 4, 2018. Danny was a resident of South Hutchinson, Kansas at the time of passing. Dan attended Morland Grade and High School, graduating in 1967.

## In Memoriam

Memorial service will be 10 a.m. Saturday, February 17, 2018, at Elliott Chapel, with the Reverend Michael McGuire presiding. Private interment of his cremains will be in Prairie Home Cemetery in Graham County. In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be made to the Mustang Program, in care of Elliott Mortuary, 1219 N. Main, Hutchinson, KS 67501.

### Donald M. Odell Jr. DVM

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### Dean A. Rice DVM

Dr. Dean A. Rice DVM, beloved husband, father and grandfather; champion of the veterinary medicine profession, committed conservationist, and community leader; passed away at the age of 71 on October 13, 2021 after a multi-year battle with cancer. His commitment to raising the standard of veterinary medicine in Arizona extended far beyond the six successful practices he owned and operated and was reflected in his service as former President and Director of the Arizona Veterinary Medical Association (AzVMA), his selection to the Association's Hall of Fame, and his recognition as 1991 Arizona Veterinarian of the Year. He helped establish new levels of excellence in a series of leadership roles at the Phoenix Zoo, including chief veterinarian, executive vice president, chairman of the Animal Health Committee, Chairman and member of the Board of Directors. Dean's own love for veterinary medicine led to his role as conservationist. He annually led teams of students from AAEC to Africa and as head of AzVMA Africa Safaris, fellow veterinary professionals in tracking and tagging wildlife ranging from rhinos and elephants to giraffes at the Amakhala Game Reserve in South Africa. This may have been his favorite activity and he (stubbornly) was able to participate a final time earlier this year. Whenever asked about the dangers of his African adventures, he would respond, "I'll be fine. I just need to be faster than one other person." As a proud graduate of Kansas State University and of the Kansas State College of Veterinary Medicine, he established the Dr. Dean Rice Veterinary Scholarship to help reduce student debt for students in veterinary school. Born November 18, 1949 to the late Ernest Rice and Nellie Anderson, Dean Rice is survived by his wife of 20 years, Kenda; daughters Jessica Rice of San Tan Valley, AZ and Chalice "Shelly" Roy (Stuart) of Alexandria, VA; grandchildren Halley and Sawyer Roy and Austin, Dakota, and Noah Hillebrand, and siblings Gwen Dethlefsen and Ernie Rice. He was preceded in death by siblings Ken Rice and Jody Kella. There will be a Celebration of Life event at a later date. Donations can be made to Friends of the Preserve, <https://www.elephantpreserve.org/donate/>.

### Paul D. Strong DVM

Dr. Paul D. Strong, 48, 2267 Erie Road, Bellevue, died Mon. July 14, 1997, at his home. He was born June 10, 1949 in Green Bay to Helen Camille (Sharp) and the late Paul N. Strong. On July 29, 1972, he married the former Jema C. Ma in Green Bay. He earned his Bachelor of Science and Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degrees at Kansas State University. Paul was a Veterinarian at Bay East Animal Hospital since 1976, where he became a partner in 1977. He was certified with Veterinary Management Institute at Purdue University. He was a Past President of Bay Area Humane Society, a member of the board of directors of Lac Baie Chapter -Girl Scouts of America and the Volunteer Center, a member of Leadership Green Bay and Past President of PTO at McAuliffe School. His love for music was demonstrated by his talent as a flutist. He was a member of the National Honor Students Band in high school. Paul loved to read and write poetry, and published a book of poetry, Strong Feelings. He also enjoyed studying history of American wars, traveling and camping. Paul had a strong belief in holistic pet therapy of animals as well as the positive effects of animal companionship on humans. He lectured at various service clubs and professional organizations. Survivors include his wife, Jema; one daughter, Lauren; his mother, Mrs. Paul N. (Helen Camille) Strong, Green Bay; one brother and sister-in-law, Rob and Nancy Jo Strong, Green Bay; one sister, Kim Strong, Bonduel, and her special friend, Tom Krajcik; one niece, Holly Strong; two nephews, Andrew Pai and Tom Gooding. Friends may call after 4 p.m. on Wednesday at Pilgrim Congregational Church, 991 Pilgrim Way, where a Service of Remembrance will be held at 7 p.m. with the Rev. Gary Pierce and Sally Lynn Hell officiating. The family wishes to thank the staff of Unity Hospice and the many friends and neighbors for the special care that was shown.

### Donald L. Wilson DVM

## In Memoriam

Donald Lee Wilson, 52, Gresham Ore., died Saturday at Gresham care center. Mr. Wilson lived in Gresham for 16 years, moving there from Manhattan. He had suffered from multiple sclerosis for many years. Mr. Wilson was born Dec 23, 1940 in Washington, D.C. He served in the Army during the Vietnam War and was a member of the American Legion in Kansas. He was married on Aug. 3, 1969 in Salem, Ore. His wife, Mary Wilson, and a son, Jeffrey Wilson, both of Gresham, survive. Graveside services for Mr. Wilson will be 2 p.m. Friday at Willamette National Cemetery in Portland. Contributions can be made to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Oregon Chapter, 5901 S.W. Macadam Ave., Suite 100, Portland, Ore., 97201. Bateman Carroll Funeral Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

### Steven E. Wright DVM

The late Dr. Steven Wright was honored by the Kansas State University Veterinary Medical Alumni Association at the winter meeting of the Nebraska Veterinary Medical Association. Dean Ralph Richardson led the tribute to Dr. Wright on Jan. 25, 2008. Dr. Wright earned a bachelor's degree in 1972 and a DVM in 1974, both at Kansas State University. He worked in the Omaha, Neb. area his entire career, owning the Millard Veterinary Clinic since 1975. "We are saddened by the loss of Dr. Wright," said Dr. Ralph Richardson, dean of the College of Veterinary Medicine. "He was a highly respected practitioner and leader in Nebraska veterinary medicine." Dr. Wright partnered with two colleagues, one of whom is his only child, Dr. Matt Wright, who graduated from K-State in veterinary medicine in 2001, and currently practices in Omaha as the owner of the Millard West Veterinary Clinic. The clinic's focus is on companion animal medicine. Dr. Steven Wright was a member of the AVMA, NVMA, AAVSB (American Association of Veterinary State Boards) and the Nebraska Academy of Veterinary Medicine. He served on the NVMA board of directors for 12 years, and was elected president in 1997. Dr. Wright was on the Nebraska Board of Examiners for Veterinary Medicine where he had served as chairman. He was honored with the NVMA President's Award for Outstanding Service in 1991. Dr. Wright served on Professional Veterinary Products Board for seven years, serving one year as president. Active on numerous church boards and activities, Dr. Wright was recognized by the Millard Education Foundation as its Outstanding Alumnae in 1998. In his spare time, he enjoyed his grandchildren Lauren and Madison, farming, water sports and flying. "He touched many lives and will be missed by all who knew him," Dr. Matt Wright said. "I truly think that if he left a legacy behind it was that he was a great caretaker of the patients he treated, the souls he touched, the grounds he groomed, and the lives he loved. He was fair, compassionate and unselfish unto the end." Dr. Wright passed away Sept. 4, 2007.