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September 2025

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In Loving Memory

Marilyn Kutschara

September 29,1937-July 31,2025

Peggy Kuester

December 30,1952-August 12,2025

Dixie Stouffer

June 6,1938-August 13,2025

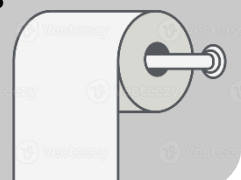
Celia Barth

August 30.1925-August 22,2025

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

You never realize what you have until it's
gone.

Toilet Paper is a good example!



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SEPTEMBER TRIVIA

September's name is derived from the Latin word 'septem' which means seven. Although September is the ninth month of the year, in the Roman calendar, it was the seventh month. But with the reformation of the calendar, January and February were added pushing September to the ninth position.

DID YOU KNOW?

September is the only month with the same number of letters in its name as the number of the month it represents. It has (9) nine letters, and it is also the 9th month of the year.





**Resident Reminisce
Kathy Wolkow**

Written by Char Pudelko



Kathy Tiensvold Wolkow was born to Ila and Lloyd (Buddy) Tiensvold at the Rushville Hospital. She was the 3rd child of the family at that time. She was the only girl so her dad was quite happy. They lived 6 miles north of Rushville. She has fond memories of her dad who was always a happy guy. He loved to golf. Kathy came from a strong Catholic Family. Buddy and Ila had 10 children. Kathy went to St. Mary's Catholic School in Rushville. They were the last class to graduate from St. Mary's in the 8th grade. They were the "kool" class.

She then went into Rushville High School and graduated from there.

Her family used to live on the hill in the house across from Max Stamen when she was 7 years old. They walked to school. When she was 14, they moved to the house they built in Rushville. Her Mom designed this house and a member of the Tiensvold family still resides in it.

After graduation, Kathy went to work for NPPD in Rushville. She transferred to York into the transmission department where she became the first female meter reader. She started working in an insurance office in 1977. She traveled with this job from York to Topka Kansas, Greeley Colorado and then Longmont, Colorado. One day her parents called asking her to come manage the Gordon insurance office they had just bought. She thought about it and made a 2-year commitment and never left. In Gordon, Nebraska she met the father of her children, Jessica and Dalton.

Some fond reminisce Memories: April Fool's Day. One morning their mom awakened them telling them to hurry and go outside to see that an airplane had landed in their yard. There was nothing there but she said she got them up for the day.

Kick the can was a popular game, they also played Annie, Annie Over, over the house when it was pitch dark out.

Her brothers were always wrestling and practiced in the living room. They wrestled by the front picture window and it was amazing the window was never broken out. Her Mom always hosted the wrestlers for a chili feed and Kathy and her sisters were thrilled to see all the cute wrestling boys. One day while still in grade school her mom called the school and told them to send all the Tiensvold girls home. When they got home, they were told to make their beds.

Kathy's favorite hobbies include crocheting, reading and playing cards. Kathy also dearly loves to spend time with her 8 grandchildren.





Fun Fair Word Search

C	A	R	N	I	V	A	L	B	E	R	Y
O	M	T	R	D	F	G	G	A	M	E	S
R	I	D	E	S	F	S	D	L	G	Y	T
T	D	W	R	B	N	M	C	L	O	W	N
I	W	Z	A	P	O	P	C	O	R	N	C
C	A	D	M	I	S	S	I	O	N	S	R
K	Y	Q	U	W	E	V	B	N	T	Y	P
E	S	N	S	L	O	V	C	S	R	E	R
T	H	R	I	L	L	S	X	S	D	F	I
S	G	H	C	A	R	O	U	S	E	L	Z
P	L	A	U	G	H	T	E	R	J	N	E
A	M	U	S	E	M	E	N	T	O	T	S

Find and circle the words related to **Fun Fair** below

- AMUSEMENT
- CARNIVAL
- RIDES
- GAMES
- POPCORN
- CAROUSEL
- MIDWAY
- TICKETS
- PRIZES
- THRILLS
- CLOWN
- BALLOONS
- ADMISSIONS
- LAUGHTER
- MUSIC



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HAY SPRINGS FRIENDLY FESTIVAL



IN LOVING
Memory

Peg Kuester

December 30, 1952 — August 12, 2025

Rushville



Peggy Ann Kuester December 30, 1952 – August 12, 2025 Peg Ann Kuester, beloved wife, mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, and friend, passed away on August 12, 2025, surrounded by her family. Peg was born on December 30, 1952, to Clayton and Doris Tallon, and was raised 12 miles north of Rushville, Nebraska. She graduated from Rushville High School and attended Chadron State College, where she met the love of her life, Thomas Kuester. Peg and Tom were married in 1975 in Neligh, Nebraska. They celebrated 50 years of marriage in February of this year. In 1982, they moved back to Rushville, where they built a loving home filled with warmth, laughter, and treasured memories. Together, they raised two children, Andrea and Scott, who were the pride and joy of their life. For 35 years, Peg worked as a secretary in the school system, where her kindness, humor, and steady presence touched the lives of countless students and staff, making the school a place where everyone felt welcome. Her commitment to her community extended beyond her work; she was a proud and active member of PEO, the 1985 Centennial Committee, and the Cheery Homemakers. She served as a Jazzercise instructor, was a member of the Park Board and Cemetery Board, and gave her time to the Altar Society and Parish Council. Peg's willingness to volunteer and serve reflected her deep love for her community. Peg had a zest for life and a gift for making people feel at home. She had a great sense of style- bright colors, sparkles and leopard print were her signature- and she carried it with confidence and joy. She cherished her girls' nights out, full of laughter and stories, and approached every gathering, large or small, with enthusiasm and warmth. She also loved to travel and shop, always seeking out new places, new treasures and new experiences to enjoy and share.

Peg is survived by her husband, Thomas Kuester; her daughter, Andrea Johnson (Matt); her son, Scott Kuester (Abby); and her granddaughter, Gemma Kuester. She is also survived by her brothers, Mike Tallon and Vic Tallon; her sister, Sally Weldon; her brothers- and sisters-in-law, Bill and Pam Kuester, Steve and Linda Kuester, Dan and Carla Kuester, Rocky and Judy Jones, Melvin and Kate Ahlers, Fred and Mary Melville, and Steve and Joan Wiley; as well as many nieces and nephews who loved her dearly. A Vigil will be held Thursday, August 21, at 7:00 PM at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Rushville, Nebraska.

Funeral services will be Friday, August 22, at 10:00 AM at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, with a luncheon to follow at the Rushville American Legion. The service will also be live-streamed on the Facebook page "Saint Leo-Gordon." To honor Peg's spirit, those attending are encouraged to wear bright colors, sparkles and jewelry.



Marilyn Kutschara

September 29, 1937 — July 31, 2025



Marilyn Louise (Kranz) Kutschara was born September 29th 1937. She was born at her grandmother's home North of Oconto, NE to Fred and Velma (Owen) Kranz. After high school she came to Hay Springs to babysit her younger cousins, Terry and Cindy Owen. Here she met Hyle Kutschara and they were married June 23, 1957. To this marriage were born two sons, Chuck and Carl. Marilyn was a farm wife and mother. She raised a large garden and raised their boys Northeast of Hay Springs. When her boys were grown, Marilyn started the Good Neighbor Center in Hay Springs along with other volunteers from the community. This was her passion for many years.

Marilyn was preceded in death by her parents Fred and Velma Kranz. Husband, Hyle, Sisters in Law, Margaret Kranz and Deloris Kranz, Sister-in-Law, Mary Lou Kutschara and Son, Carl Kutschara.

She is Survived by: Son, Chuck (Alice) Kutschara. Daughter in law, Shauna Hoke. Grandchildren: Jared (Selena)Kutschara, Jonathan (Mandi) Kutschara, Jesse (Ryan) Child, Scout and Aran Kutschara plus 7 great grandchildren, also by brothers Dwain Kranz and Wain (Marelda) Kranz.

Marilyn passed away on July 31, 2025 at Pioneer Manor Nursing in Hay Springs, NE. at 87 years old.

Burial will be held on Monday, August 11, 2025 AT 10:00 AM at the Hay Springs Cemetery in Hay Springs, NE.

Memorial Services for Marilyn will be held on Monday, August 11, 2025 AT 11:00 AM at Chadron Seventh-day Adventist Church. A lunch will be provided at the church after the service to provide a time to visit with family and friends.

IN LOVING ♥
Memory



Celia Sandoz Ostrander Barth

August 30, 1925 — August 22, 2025

Celia Sandoz Ostrander Barth, a well known sandhills ranch woman passed away August 22, 2025 at Pioneer Manor in Hay Springs, NE. Celia was born August 30, 1925 in the maternity home in Rushville, NE. Because of no telephone in the Sand Hills, A.R. Modisett carried the message of her birth to her father by horseback to their home. She was the oldest child of Jules Alexander Sandoz and Mary Matilda “Kicken” Sandoz; and the grand daughter of Jules Ami Sandoz “Old Jules” and Mary “Fehr” Sandoz. Celia, her brother Earnest, sister Marguerite, and her parents lived on a ranch in Sheridan County until 1938. During the depression she and her brother, Zella Mae Dykes, and Sophia Sears attended rural school near their home in a school district founded by Roy Dykes and her father. Her maternal grandparents lived with them. They burned cow chips for heat, raised a garden, milked, had cows & pigs. They bought groceries & supplies at the Old Jules Store. When she was in the 7th grade the family then moved to the William Margrave ranch a few miles east now known as the Willow Creek Ranch. Here Celia and her siblings went to the Spring Lake School northwest of their new home. Her parents ran a successful cow/calf ranching operation as they had at their first home. Celia graduated with Normal Training from Gordon High School (boarding in homes in Gordon) in May of 1946. She went on to Chadron State College where she received her teaching certificate; and taught in rural schools (Berndt, Eckerle, Orr, Forney, Skanadore, Nielson, Westover) for 6 years in the sandhills. On May 19, 1951 Celia married Orville Lester Ostrander in Scottsbluff, NE at the Presbyterian Church with Della Reese and Jack Dubbs as attendants of the couple. After a honeymoon to the West coast in Orvilles’ new red ford convertible. They visited Salt Lake City, Las Vegas, Yellowstone National Park, his sister Myrtle Thompson of Richland, WA, and sister Ethel Trucks of Riverside, CA. The couple made their home the first summer at a camp on the Minor-Hull cattle ranch where Orville was hay contractor. They then moved to White Valley south of Gordon and ran cattle on shares for Celia’s father for 8 years. Four children were born to Orville and Celia while they lived there: Jules Edward in 1952, Mary Celia in 1953, Cash Orville in 1955, and Myrtle Emmaline in 1956. On May 1, 1959 the family moved to the Pine Creek Ranch 18 miles south of Rushville which Celia’s father had

purchased from Claude Wuthier. Two years later in 1961 Orville and Celia welcomed their fifth and final child, Marlene Flora to their family. They ran a successful cow/calf ranching operation there for the next 38 years. Orville died of complications from emphysema at the ranch on October 14, 1997. Celia married Lyle Lawrence Barth on September 14, 2001 at Pleasant Point Church in rural Sheridan County. They also made their home on the Pine Creek Ranch. The couple went on several trips and enjoyed many dances together with their friends. Lyle died on November 28, 2016 due to complications of diabetes. Celia was a faithful wife and mother. She showed her love for the outdoors and growing things by the pride she took in her yard and garden. Her hobbies and skills included extensive photography, genealogy research, piano, accordion, harmonica, making and displaying quilts, fancy work, rural news reporter, member of Cowbells, member of Nebraska Cattlewomen, Smith Lake Hobby Club, and dancing. She also served as leader of the Smith Lake 4-H club for ten years. She leaves to mourn: her children; Jules(Lynette)Ostrander of Watford City, ND; Mary(Jim)Farmer of Fairfield, NE; Cash(Jecca)Ostrander of Gordon, NE; Myrtle(Glenn)Marker of Minatare, NE; Marlene Ostrander of Alliance, NE; Melvin(Kathleen)Barth of Rushville, NE; and Nancy Scherbarth of Alliance, NE. Grandchildren: Jules Robert”JR”(Dushica) Ostrander; Heidi(Brock)Terrell; Megan(Aaron)Hird; Carrie(Bryant)King; Rachel(Ethan)Brownlee; Natalie(Taylen)Gessele; Sarah(Dakota)Justice; Julene(Brian)Schardt; Luke(Carrie)Watson; Tom(Shelley)Watson; Stetson(Courtney)Ostrander; Sterling(Allie)Ostrander; Steele Ostrander; Priscilla(Brandon)Bailey; Andrea West; Mari(David)McDaniels; Levi(Tamara) West; Kelanie Marker; James(Kyla)Huffman; Alexis(Chad)Buskirk; Elizabeth Huffman; Joseph Huffman; and Seth Huffman. Fifty-four Great Grandchildren; Two Great Great Granddaughters. Numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, friends, and neighbors. Preceding her in death were her husbands, Orville Ostrander and Lyle Barth; her parents, Jules and Mary Sandoz; her brother, Earnest Sandoz; sister, Marguerite Widtfeldt; grandparents, “Old Jules” and Mary Sandoz and William Hermas and Mathie Marie”Ernest” Kicken; Son-in-law, Alan Watson; step daughter, Peg Brauer; ex. Son-in-law, Dennis West; great granddaughter, Emma Dietrich; niece, Susan Yadon; and numerous Aunts, Uncles, cousins friends, and neighbors. Chamberlain Funeral Home of Gordon, NE is in charge of arrangements.