

DEATHS / LINN COUNTY

Sarah Ann Canfield, 8-month-old daughter of Sylvia and Timothy Canfield, 2761 Iowa Ave. SE, died Thursday in University Hospitals, Iowa City, following complications of premature birth.



She was born Dec. 25, 1989, in Cedar Rapids. Surviving in addition to her parents are a twin brother, Samuel; and her grandparents, Charles and Nancy Elson of Leon and Lucille Canfield of Cedar Rapids.

Graveside services: 10 a.m. Monday, Cedar Memorial Park Cemetery, by the Rev. Lloyd Brockmeyer of St. Paul's United Methodist Church. Friends may call from 1 to 6 p.m. Sunday in Cedar Memorial Funeral Home. Memorial donations may be made to the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, University Hospitals, Iowa City 52240.

Terry E. Lowe Sr., 82, of 76 29th Ave. SW, died Thursday in his home after a short illness.



Born Sept. 30, 1907, in Murdoch Chapel, Marion, he married Velma Nandell here June 26, 1929. She died in 1985. A lifelong Cedar Rapids resident, Mr. Lowe was a retired 45-year employee of Wilson Foods.

Surviving are five daughters, Janet Clevenger of Urbandale, Judy Manning and Delores Musel, both of Cedar Rapids, Carol Allard of Coralville and Nancy Suchomel of Bay City, Texas; six sons, Terry E. Jr., Clayton, Tom and Doug, all of Cedar Rapids, Jack of Belleville, Ill., and Roger of Fairfax; a sister, Esther Broker of Buffalo, N.Y.; a brother, Stanley of San Jose, Calif.; 25 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Services: 10:30 a.m. Monday, Janeba-Kuba Funeral Home West, by the Rev. Jim Berger. Burial: Czech National Cemetery. Friends may call from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home, where a vigil service will be held at 7 p.m. Sunday. Memorial donations may be made to Camp Courageous of Iowa, P.O. Box 455, Monticello 52310 or Camp Good Health.

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DYERSVILLE

Laura E. "Betty" Bagge, 64, a housekeeper, died Thursday night in St. Joseph's Unit-Mercy Health Center, Dubuque, after an extended illness.

Surviving are five sisters, Alice Boeckendst of Dubuque, Pearl Koelker and Jeanette Tauke, both of Dyersville, Priscilla Moorman of Strawberry Point and Mary Ellen Hoefler of Lamont; and three brothers, Jerome of Dyersville and Leon and Daniel, both of Petersburg.

Services: 10:30 a.m. Monday, St. Francis Xavier Basilica. Burial: church cemetery. Friends may call after 3 p.m. Sunday at Kramer's, where a parish wake service will be held at 8 p.m. Sunday. Memorial fund established.

LOWDEN

Victor Hein, 70, retired farmer, died Thursday in St. Luke's Hospital, Davenport, after a brief illness.

Surviving are a son, Randall of Davenport; a daughter, Candace of Culver City, Calif.; a brother, William of Lowden; two sisters, Hulda Ruprecht of Lowden and Leona Hein of Clarence; and two grandchildren.

Services: 10:30 a.m. Monday, Trinity Lutheran Church. Burial: church cemetery. Friends may call from 3 to 7 p.m. Sunday at Chapman's, Clarence.

MARTELLE

Willie R. Childers, 73, died of a heart ailment Friday in Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Des Moines.

Agnes "Betty" E. Peterson, 77, of West Side Estate Care Center, died Thursday in St. Luke's Hospital after a long illness.

Born May 28, 1913, in Eldora, she married Arthur Peterson Nov. 26, 1937, in Boone. Mrs. Peterson was a customer service representative for Super Valu for 17 years, retiring in 1978. She was a member of Jennie Edmundson Auxiliary, Business and Professional Women and St. John's Lutheran Church, all in Council Bluffs.

Surviving are her husband; three sons, Earle of San Antonio, Texas, Robert of Sacramento, Calif., and Brian of Phoenix; a daughter, Victoria Barnes of Marion; eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Services: 1:30 p.m. Monday, St. John's Lutheran Church, Council Bluffs, by the Rev. E.A. Hering. Burial: Ridgewood Cemetery, Council Bluffs. Friends may call Sunday at the Meyer Funeral Home, Council Bluffs. Local arrangements by Teahen Funeral Home.

SERVICES

Stella B. Armstrong — 10:30 a.m. today, Murdoch Chapel, Marion, by the Rev. Clair Odell of First United Methodist Church, Marion. Burial: Hopkinton Cemetery, Hopkinton.

Geraldine Hughes — 10:30 a.m. today, Mount Vernon United Methodist Church, by the Rev. William Steward. Burial: Mount Vernon Cemetery. Friends may call after 9:30 a.m. in the church. Arrangements by Morgan Funeral Home, Mount Vernon.

Belva G. Johnson — 10:30 a.m. Monday, Murdoch Chapel, Marion, by the Rev. Clair Odell of First United Methodist Church. Burial: Oak Shade Cemetery, Marion. Friends may call from 2 to 9 p.m. Sunday in the chapel.

Wilmer "Paul" Werning — 10 a.m. today, Trinity Lutheran Church, by the Rev. Wayne Schroeder. Burial: St. John's Lutheran Cemetery, Newhall. Friends may call after 9 a.m. in the church. Arrangements by Turner Chapel West.

ARRANGEMENTS PENDING

Mae Potts, 84, formerly of Geneva Towers, died Friday afternoon in Northbrook Manor Care Center after a long illness. Arrangements are pending at Brosh Chapel.

Arrangements pending at Goetsch's, Anamosa.

MONTICELLO

Vernon Gadiant, 69, died Friday in Monticello Medical Center following a sudden illness. Arrangements pending at Goetsch's.

Kirsty Rhae O'Neal, 4-day-old daughter of Ramona O'Neal and David Plueger, died early Friday morning in St. Luke's Hospital, Cedar Rapids, following complications of birth.

Surviving in addition to her parents are a half brother, Jeffrey Plueger, and two half sisters, Melissa Plueger and Jennifer Plueger, all of Monticello; her grandparents, Herbert and Mariane Plueger of Monticello and Terri and Bernie Streeper of Onslow; and great-grandparents, Toby Weidenbacher and Edna O'Neal, both of Sioux Falls, S.D.

Graveside services: 10:30 a.m. Saturday, St. John's Cemetery, rural Monticello. Goetsch's in charge.

WAUKON

John Hansmeier, 94, retired farmer, died Friday morning in the Good Samaritan Center after a short illness.

Surviving are a son, Merlin of Postville; a sister, Dorothy Haugen of Decorah; two grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Services: 2 p.m. Monday, Salem United Church of Christ, rural Waukon. Burial: church cemetery. Friends may call after 2 p.m. Sunday at Martin's.

Disruptive children may cause parents to drink more, study says

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) — Disruptive children can cause parents to drink more, a Florida State University study released Friday shows.

"I'm not suggesting we blame children for the alcoholism of their parents, because those who grow up in alcoholic homes have suffered enough already," said Alan Lang, an associate professor of psychology at Florida State. "Nonetheless, particularly difficult children can cause distress for parents and, in some cases, this may contribute to increased alcohol use."

Contrary to the teachings of self-help groups, who place the onus on parents and tell children of alcoholics they aren't to blame, the Florida State study may provide the first documented evidence that children actually can cause their parents to drink more.

Lang teamed with Dr. William Pelham of the University of Pittsburgh to conduct the research.

"Our studies show how the destructive role of alcohol in parent-child interactions is a two-way street," Lang said. "Problem drinkers make poor parents, but problem children may also drive parents to drink."

He said the findings are similar to those of studies that show children who are mentally re-

tarded or have serious behavioral problems are abused more often than normal, obedient children.

"The point is that while we usually think of parents as influencers of children, children can affect parents as well," Lang said. "And the outcome is not always favorable."

Dr. Robin Room, scientific director of the Alcohol Research Group of the Medical Research Institute of San Francisco, wasn't surprised by the findings but said it was important to look into the cause of drinking among parents, "rather than give in to the bumper sticker-type humor that says children cause their parents to drink."

"It's important to understand that parental drinking patterns can later influence their children's drinking patterns," Room said.

The Florida researchers, under a grant from the National Institute of Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, asked 120 parents with 5- to 12-year-old sons to interact with an unfamiliar boy of a similar age.

The parents were then given an opportunity to drink as much or as little alcohol as they wanted, while anticipating a second interaction with the same child.

Half of the parents in the study

had difficult children of their own with short attention spans, hyperactivity, conduct disorders, or some combination of the three. The other half had only children without behavior disorders.

But the researchers stacked the deck. Half the parents had initially interacted with boys who behaved normally, while half had faced boys trained by the researchers to behave in an overactive and disruptive way.

Among parents of normal children, those who interacted with disruptive boys drank one-third more than those who interacted with a cooperative child.

"I feel justified in suggesting that these results indicate that drinking is a parental behavior that can be influenced by the characteristics and behaviors of children," Lang said.

Parents with disruptive children at home responded differently in the study, depending on the drinking patterns of their own parents. Those who had a family history of drinking problems drank 50 percent more after interacting with a deviant child-actor, while those with no such family history drank less.

"This suggests that people differ in their vulnerability to increased drinking in response to the stress of interactions with a difficult child," Lang said.

Gun control group praises Souter for brief

WASHINGTON (AP) — A group seeking stricter regulation of handguns praised Supreme Court nominee David Souter Friday for a 1976 legal brief in which he defended New Hampshire's concealed-weapons law.

"Souter's brief directly contradicts the National Rifle Association's position . . . that the (Constitution's) Second Amendment guarantees individuals an absolute right to own and possess guns of all types," said Barbara Lautman, executive director of the Washington-based Center to Prevent Handgun Violence.

An NRA spokeswoman said the organization could not respond before seeing the brief.

Souter was New Hampshire's attorney general when the brief was filed in the state Supreme Court. It was signed by both Souter and attorney Richard McNamara, and whether Souter actually wrote the brief could not be determined immediately.

The brief urged the state court to reject the appeal of a man, Stephen Sanne, who had been convicted of carrying two loaded guns without a permit. Sanne argued that the conviction violated his constitutional rights.

The brief said state regulation of weapons advances public health and safety.

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS

MERCY
Aug. 17 — Teresa Hines, 3214 Souter Ave. SE, a son.

ST. LUKE'S

Aug. 16 — Lisa and Mark Hayen, Monticello, a son; Pauline Horstman, 1440 Meadowview Dr., Marion, a daughter; Ann and Dan Sobolik, 1125 18th St. NW, a daughter.

Aug. 17 — Mary and Robert Allen, 337 Monmouth St. SW, a son; Karen and Craig Batcheler, Center Point, a daughter; Elizabeth Hagerman, 524 Fourth St. SW, a daughter; Lisa Hamilton, Belle Plaine, a daughter; Rosella Jones, 1023 19th St. SE, a son; Lynda and Mark Thomas, Atkins, a daughter; Wanda and Donald Ward, Belle Plaine, a son.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Richard J. Jasa and Mary E. Crosby, Thomas G. Casey and Julie E. Van Tuyle, Peter Vincent Bahl and Kristi R. DeBoer, John R. Gibson and Melanie M. Rogers, Samuel P. McCumpey Jr. and Teresa M. Achey, all of Cedar Rapids. David S. Thilmany, Dubuque, and Dawn D. Dostal, Marion. Troy A. Booth, Palo, and Jodi A. Ahrens, Cedar Rapids. Michael J. Hamilton and Julie M. Burmeister, Marion. David A. Wagner, Olin, and Carolyn R. Michalick, Cedar Rapids. Mark R. Wagner, Cedar Rapids, and Andrea H. LeVan, Mount Vernon. Donald J. Iehl, Central City, and Kristin K. Jurgens, Marion. Robert C. Steuhm and Debra A. Sorum, Toledo. John P. Billick and Lisa J. Beers, Tipton. York T. Nelsen and Kerry K. Shea, Grimes.

DISSOLUTIONS

Tracy Holst Gillette and Thomas Scott Gillette, Jeanette Rae and William G. Wagner, Corinne R. and Robert D. Carollo.



AP photo

Passes test

Regina Guy jubilantly holds up her license after passing her driving test at the Motor Vehicle Administration in Glen Burnie, Md., Friday afternoon. The 367-pound woman was told by state officials to take the driving test to prove her weight doesn't affect her ability to drive. Authorities thought she might be too fat to drive safely. A state motor vehicle hearing examiner ordered Friday morning that she pass the test or forfeit her license. "That's it. I'm legal, guys," Guy said afterward.

Education secretary criticized for comments on students and language

LAREDO, Texas (AP) — Swift criticism Friday did not keep Education Secretary Lauro Cavazos from repeating his assertion that students who don't speak English are not ready for public education.

"Parental involvement and language competency are basic," Cavazos told about 1,500 teachers and principals in this city on the Mexican border. "If that child cannot speak English the first day of school, that child is not ready to learn."

In a panel discussion later, South Texas superintendents criticized Cavazos, saying students were capable of learning in other languages.

"The comment that we heard this morning that students who are not speaking English are not ready to learn is a disabling comment," said Robert Zamora, superintendent of the La Joya school district.

Later Friday, during a news conference across the border in Nuevo Laredo, Cavazos repeated the comment and added: "We work with the parents, with the schools to prepare the youngsters in English so they will learn . . . My final point that I always make is that they not forget that other language and that culture."

Cavazos, former president of Texas Tech University, said he supports bilingual education, but that its goal should be encourag-

ing students to speak English so they do not miss opportunities in the United States.

It was not the first time Cavazos drew criticism from fellow Hispanics for his comments on Hispanic education. In April, the League of United Latin American Citizens criticized him for blaming Hispanic parents for the high dropout rate among their children.

In March, he angered some Hispanic lawmakers when he told the state Legislature that money was not the answer to education problems.

Cavazos repeated that stance Friday, saying that education could be improved by giving teachers more freedom and allowing local schools more control.

"The new bottom line in education is not how much do we need to spend by how much are our students learning," Cavazos said.

ILLINOIS LOTTERY

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (AP) — Here are the winning numbers drawn Friday in the Lotto game:

DAILY GAME: 5-6-3

PICK FOUR: 0-9-4-5

LITTLE LOTTO: 3-10-14-18-35
6 of 54 JACKPOT: \$13 million

FBI investigated attorney general's son

HARRISBURG (AP) — The FBI investigated allegations that the son of U.S. Attorney General Dick Thornburgh used marijuana and cocaine as recently as 1988, but the Justice Department said Friday the allegations were unsubstantiated.

Justice Department spokesman Dan Eramian said the FBI investigation was closed earlier this week after two friends of William Thornburgh were questioned about allegations that they had seen him use drugs.

"Both people who were interviewed said they never used cocaine with Bill Thornburgh. That's from the FBI reports," Eramian said, in an unusual public statement about the status of an investigation. He added that the probe also found no evidence of marijuana use.

Referring to the allegations, Eramian said, "Appropriate inquiry found them to be unsubstantiated. Bill Thornburgh is not the subject of an investigation. The matter is closed."

Eramian also criticized former state Auditor General Don Bailey, who first made the allegations, and accused him of having a political motivation stemming from disagreements when Dick Thornburgh was Pennsylvania's governor. He said the FBI did not interview Bailey.

Sources familiar with the case said investigators interviewed the two friends one time each during the past week.

Eramian said the two men were apparently the only people interviewed by the FBI after the

case was referred to the Harrisburg office by the Justice Department's criminal division.

The investigation grew out of a 15-month-long drug probe that has resulted in guilty pleas to cocaine charges by two former deputy state attorneys general and the indictment on four cocaine-related charges of Henry Barr, a former top aide to Thornburgh in Harrisburg and at the U.S. Justice Department.

The allegations against the younger Thornburgh were first made by Bailey in a July 17 letter to U.S. Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa. In his letter, Bailey identified the two men who allegedly used drugs with Thornburgh, and asked that a special prosecutor be appointed to study the entire drug investigation. Specter made the request for an independent prosecutor but earlier this week the Justice Department rejected it.

The allegations in Bailey's letter include cocaine use during a Harrisburg party in December 1988. At the time, William Thornburgh was in the Navy and his father was President Reagan's attorney general.

Autopsy shows woman was strangled

DES MOINES (AP) — A 24-year-old woman whose body was found in Des Moines last week was strangled, the state medical examiner said Thursday.

Medical Examiner Thomas Bennett said an autopsy of the body of Pamela Carter shows the

Thornburgh has continued serving as attorney general for President Bush and has been a hard-liner in the war against drugs.

William Thornburgh, still in the Navy, could not be reached Friday.

Eramian said Attorney General Thornburgh was not aware of the inquiry because he recused himself from the case when Barr first surfaced as a target earlier this year.

He said the probe of Bailey's allegations was thorough. He added it was not unusual to close an investigation after only one week and two interviews that found no evidence of wrongdoing. He also lashed out at Bailey for making the allegations.

"For a number of years, Mr. Bailey has engaged in personal, vicious, reckless and unfounded allegations against a number of persons with whom he has been at odds on a personal and political basis, including (former) Governor Thornburgh," Eramian said. "But to spread a reckless story about a person's child is beyond all bounds of decency."

woman was choked to death. He said she died about a month before her body was found Aug. 8. Des Moines Police Chief William Moulder said Carter apparently was killed elsewhere and then dumped in a wooded area near the Des Moines River.