

## Lois Ruth Belnap Erickson

1920 – 2011

PROVO - Lois Ruth Belnap Erickson, 91, passed away peacefully and joyfully the morning of October 27, 2011 after sharing a special message with each of her children.

Lois was born October 7, 1920, in Ogden, Utah to Arias Guy Belnap and Mabel Harris Belnap. She was the oldest daughter and second of five children. She was raised in Ogden.

On January 24, 1944, Lois married Eldred Hilmar Erickson in the Salt Lake LDS Temple while Eldred was serving in the military as a radar specialist. They raised their eight children in Ogden and Pleasant View, Utah, after which she moved to Cove Point in Provo.

Lois attended Lorin Farr School, Central Junior High School, where she was a Year Book staff member, and graduated with the first class of the new Ogden High School in 1938. A graduate of Weber State College (University), she also studied at Brigham Young University and took classes from Utah State University and LDS Literature and Music Workshops. While at Weber she was Vice President of the Weber Club, on the Acorn Staff, a member of Iota Tau Kappa Sorority, and on the Business Typing Team.

She was employed at the Thomas D. Dee Memorial Hospital in Ogden, first with the nursing staff and then the business office, and eventually became the business manager. For 21 years she served as the area director of the Ogden Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society.

Lois was active in many church, school, and community activities, including Daughters of Utah Pioneers, PTA room mother and treasurer, Cub Scout den mother, RSVP volunteer, and Senior Citizen volunteer. She was honored for serving as a 4-H leader for 25 years.

Pleasant View City asked Lois to serve on various city planning committees, also as its bail commissioner, and she was the City's Community Beautification chairman when it received state awards.

In 1976 Lois was the Weber County-Ogden Mother of the Year, and was selected as the first alternate Mother of the Year of the State of Utah by the Utah Mothers' Association. She served on the state committee and helped transition to the American Mothers', Inc. She is a Silver Chair Merit Mother.

She was an active, lifetime member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. She was an original Golden Gleaner, sang in and led many choirs, was a Relief Society president and teacher, Relief Society and Sunday School stake board member, Young Women president, Primary president, dance director, road show writer and director, and sang in one of the first youth choirs of the Church, the Lieder Kranz Chorus.

She and Eldred served church missions to the Illinois Peoria Mission and Salt Lake Temple Square.

Lois was always busy serving her family and friends. Many received her well-known thank you and birthday cards, which typically included photographs she had taken of them. She dearly loved her husband, family and friends and shared with them her interests in gardening, cooking, reading, canning, sewing, scripture study, family history and genealogy.

She is survived by her eight children: Bruce, Janet Gee, Susan Schmidt, David, Nancy Jensen, Chris, Ellen Anson and Jeanne Burton. She has 42 grand children and 64 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Eldred, five grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, November 2, 2011 at 11 a.m. at the Grand View 1st Ward Chapel, 1555 North 1350 West, Provo, Utah, with Cove Point Branch President Ron Madsen officiating. A viewing will be held before the service from 9 to 10:30 a.m.

Interment will be at the Ben Lomond Cemetery in North Ogden, Utah about 3 p.m., or soon thereafter, when a graveside service will be held.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the general missionary fund of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 50 E. North Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah 84150.

## Brandon Lee Payne

SYRACUSE - Brandon Lee Payne, loving father and beloved son, 40, of Syracuse, passed away unexpectedly from a tragic accident, Wednesday, October 26, 2011.

Brandon was born April 8, 1971, in Ogden, Utah, the son of Kenneth R. and Donna Buttars Payne.

Brandon loved his childhood experiences in Scouting and achieved the rank of Eagle Scout. Brandon was a Brotherhood member of the Order of the Arrow.

Brandon was undoubtedly the greatest and most loyal fan of 'Star Wars' and 'Emergency'. His collection of 'Star Wars' memorabilia was extensive and he collected anything and everything that was related to 'Star Wars'.

Brandon attended Clearfield High School and excelled in the ROTC program. Upon graduation, he enlisted in the U.S. Army and served most of his tour of duty in Germany as part of Operation Desert Shield. After completion of his enlisted duty, he enrolled in Weber State University and graduated with a degree in Criminal Justice and a minor in Military Science. He excelled in ROTC and was commissioned as an Officer in the U.S. Army upon graduation. He served in numerous capacities and locations, achieving the rank of Captain. His proudest assignment was to the 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment.

He was employed at Hill AFB as a munitions item manager.

He married Jennifer French and later divorced. He married Amber Wiggill and later divorced.

Brandon is survived by his precious daughters, Brianna (Syracuse) and Savannah (California), his parents Kenneth and Donna Payne, Syracuse, brother Logan (Melissa) Payne, Syracuse, sister Tiffany Payne Forsgren (Ryan), Syracuse, and fiancée Jessica Bird, Brigham City, and her daughter Hannah, uncle, Paul (Pat) Buttars, Syracuse, and aunt, Donna Phillips, TN. Brandon also leaves his adoring niece and nephews, niece Kaylyn Payne, nephews Payson and Karson Payne, and Rylee Forsgren.

Brandon's most cherished moments were the times he spent with his daughters, Brianna and Savannah.

Brandon was preceded in death by his infant son, Braden Lee Payne, grandparents George Myron and Nora Payne, and Ralph and Donna Buttars.

Brandon is a member of the Rock Creek Ward of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints in Syracuse.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, November 2, 2011, at 11 a.m., at the Syracuse West Stake Center, 1600 South 4500 West, Syracuse, Utah, with Bishop Nathan Elmore officiating. A viewing for friends and family will be held Tuesday, November 1, 2011, from 6 to 8 p.m., at Myers Roy Mortuary, 5865 South 1900 West, Roy, Utah, and on Wednesday, November 2, 2011 from 9:40 to 10:40 a.m., prior to services at the Stake Center.

The family wishes to express their appreciation to friends and relatives, and especially to the law enforcement and emergency rescue family for all their efforts, support and expression of compassion during this difficult time.

Interment in the Syracuse City Cemetery. Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.myers-mortuary.com](http://www.myers-mortuary.com).

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## Norma Allred Shaw



"Together Again"

Our sweet mom passed away October 26, 2011 at the Family Tree Assisted Living in Morgan. She was born October 5, 1924, to Juston Peter and Isabella Robinson Allred in Osgood, Idaho. She grew up in Osgood, graduating from Ammon High School in Idaho Falls. After graduation, her family moved to Utah, settling in Liberty where she met her husband, Vernon J. Shaw. They were married October 24, 1943, in Harrisville and later sealed in the Salt Lake Temple.

They lived in the Ogden area for the first years of their marriage, subsequently buying the family farm in Liberty, Utah. In 1960 they purchased a farm in Morgan, Utah where the family resided for 35 years. They spent their last years together in Roy, Utah.

Mom was active in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and served in many callings throughout her life. She enjoyed nothing more than helping with roadshows in the Liberty Ward. She loved her role as homemaker but also helped out when needed on the farm. Mom and Dad taught their children the value of hard work, but they also made sure there was time to spend with family and friends. She was always willing to accompany Dad wherever his horse racing took him. In later years, they traveled in their motor home, spending the winters in St. George with friends, golfing and enjoying life.

She is survived by her five children: Kathryn Le (Douglas) Seamons, Ogden; Jeffrey Lyn (Rosanne), Bountiful; Patricia Dawn Hodgson, Ogden; Pamela (John) Atwood, Morgan; and Bradley Vernon (Cindy), Morgan. She is also survived by 16 grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren. Also surviving are three brothers, Grant Allred, Gale Allred, and Mark Allred; and three brothers-in-law, Gilbert Shaw, Richard Shaw, and Wayne Carpenter.

Norma was preceded in death by her husband, parents, two sisters, one brother, and a grandson.

As a family, we express our heartfelt thanks to Wendy Butters, granddaughter; Carol Ann Ferlin; Thatcher Brook Hospice; and the entire staff at The Family Tree Assisted Living Center in Morgan who took such loving care of our mom.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 2, 2011 at Myers Ogden Mortuary, 845 Washington Blvd. The family will greet friends and family on Tuesday, Nov. 1st from 6 to 8 p.m. and Wednesday from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m.

Interment, Liberty City Cemetery

Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.myers-mortuary.com](http://www.myers-mortuary.com)

## John H Murdock



KAYSVILLE - John H. Murdock, beloved husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, passed away peacefully on October 27, 2011 in Logan, UT following a brief illness.

John was born in Kaysville, Utah, August 27, 1920 to Heber Murdock and Effie Ophelia Morton Murdock. He was raised in Heber City, Utah and it was there he met his sweetheart and future wife, Thelma Brierley.

For two years, John served as a member of the Civilian Conservation Corps in and around Duchesne, Utah, after which he joined the U.S. Army Air Corps serving in North Africa and Naples, Italy. He was honorably released in 1945 at the rank of sergeant.

While stationed at Alliance, Nebraska waiting to be discharged, he and Thelma were married on February 5, 1945. They were later sealed in the Salt Lake Temple. Following the war he and Thelma purchased land in Kaysville and while working at Hill Air Force Base, John single-handedly built a home for his young family.

He worked for 35 years as a government employee at Hill Air Force Base, and following his retirement, began a new profession for several years as a meteorologist for the Raytheon Company.

John's passion was playing the Highland bagpipes; something he did for over 60 years. He was an original member of the Utah Pipe Band and Salt Lake Scots marching bands. He was also an instructor who taught many others to play.

He was a member of the LDS Kaysville 1st Ward

He was preceded in death by his wife Thelma; his one sister and two brothers; Mary Stroud, Mort and Dan Murdock; two grandsons, Ryan and Connor Murdock. Survived by his four children; Steven John (Cheri), Logan, UT; Kristine, Layton, UT; Brent Heber (Mary), Jackson, WY; and Alan James (Helene) Black River, NY; 15 grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren, many nieces, nephews, friends and neighbors.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m., Wednesday, November 2, 2011 at the Kaysville LDS Tabernacle, 198 West Center. Friends may visit Tuesday, November 1, from 6-8 p.m. at Lindquist's Layton Mortuary, 1867 N. Fairfield Road, and Wednesday at the Tabernacle prior to services, 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.

Interment at Kaysville City Cemetery with military honors.

Condolences may be shared at: [www.lindquistmortuary.com](http://www.lindquistmortuary.com)

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## Darlene Cook Marble

Darlene Cook Marble of Ogden passed away early Friday morning, October 28, 2011. She was 72.

Darlene was born in Ogden on January 1, 1939 to Nephi and Francis Cook. She attended Ogden High School and she spent much of her adult life caring for others as a nursing assistant.

Darlene was a lover of history and her genealogical research was widely admired by those who knew her. She was also a fiercely proud Scot who was steadfast in conviction and unshakable in character. But Darlene will be remembered best for her unflinching, infectious optimism and her mischievous sense of humor. She was a truly beautiful person who raised the spirits of everyone she knew.

Darlene is survived by daughters Donna Stockman; Nina Boulware; and Bonnie Petersen; and sons Gordon and Richard Petersen. She is also survived by brothers Kenneth; Lynn; Karl; and Keith; and by sister Sharon Cook.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Norman Dean Marble; her daughter Deborah Freddie; brothers LeGrande; Robert; Rodney; Junior Nephi; and Baby Cook; as well as sister Elma Cook.

Graveside services will be held on Wednesday, November 2, 2011 at 11 a.m. at the Ogden City Cemetery, 1875 Monroe Blvd.

Family will meet with friends on Tuesday from 6 to 8 p.m. at Lindquist's Ogden Mortuary 3408 Washington Blvd.

Send condolences to the family at [www.lindquistmortuary.com](http://www.lindquistmortuary.com)

## Hamas stuck in the middle after attacks

The Associated Press

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip — A new round of violence between Israel and Palestinian militants has Gaza's Hamas rulers caught between reluctance to take on Israel and discomfort with reining in fellow Islamists from smaller, more radical groups involved in the fighting.

The fighting has killed 10 Palestinians and an Israeli, casting doubts on assessments that the recent prisoner swap between Israel and Hamas might improve relations.

Despite the worst bloodshed in months, both sides indicated they were interested in restoring calm in the bitter dispute.

Hamas, which has ruled Gaza since 2007, has avoided direct involvement in the latest burst of fighting. Hamas lost hundreds of men in a fierce Israeli offensive three years ago and has largely maintained calm since then.

At the same time, the group, which has killed hundreds of Israelis, remains committed to armed struggle against Israel.

## Vets

From 1A

Army in 1944 when he was 18. He fought in Italy and France and ended up after the war as part of the occupation force in Japan.

Okamoto joined in 1943. A resident of Hawaii, he was a truck driver and was wounded during his service in Italy.

The 442nd Regimental Combat Team, whose motto was "Go for Broke," served in Germany, France and Italy during World War II, and went to the Pacific Theater later to serve as part of the occupation force in Japan. The unit saw heavy combat throughout the war. Its members received 21 Medals of Honor, 52 Distinguished Service Crosses, 560 Silver Stars, 4,000 Bronze Stars and 9,486 Purple Hearts.

In 2010 Congress approved a special gold medal for the unit. President Obama signed the bill into law authorizing the award a year ago, and the U.S. Mint has been designing and producing the medal ever since.

Kunimura and Okamoto are two of six Utahns who are planning to make the trip today to Washington.

Kunimura said he's grateful for the recognition.

He grew up in California and remembers trying to volunteer for the army after the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor in 1941.

In a previous interview with the Standard-Examiner, he said, "I felt as American as the next kid in school. I guess I was as proud of being an American as anyone else as we pledged allegiance to our flag."

But instead he was issued an identity card stamped "enemy alien." It wasn't until 1944 he was finally allowed to join. His parents were still in an internment camp while he fought.

Vicki Youngblood, Okamoto's daughter, said her father was living in Hawaii when he joined. His parents were sent to an internment camp in New Mexico, she said, because his father was a minister.

She said her father went back to Italy in 2009. He visited both Italy, to see where he was wounded, and France. He was part of commemoration services his unit participated in, she said.

The Gold Medal "is a thoroughly nice thing for them, considering the things they went through," she said.

In 1988 the U.S. government approved a settlement for those Japanese-Americans sent to internment camps.

It paid everyone who was relocated \$20,000, and gave each a signed apology from then-President George Bush.

## Shots

From 1A

side the trailer at the time of the shooting. Police said she was not injured.

"This was an unprovoked situation," said Centerville Police Lt. Paul Child. "There were some allegations of the victim by the suspect. They were unfounded. This has been going on for a number of years."

Police were not identifying the victim Sunday night.

Mike Selleneit, 53, and his wife were both taken into police custody and were being questioned Sunday night.

Child said the victim and Selleneit have been neighbors for many years.

Police were unsure of what prompted the attack,

but Snow said the suspect was cooperating and giving police information as they need it.

Snow said police recovered a .380 semiautomatic handgun from inside the suspect's trailer.

"We believe this was the gun used in the shooting," he said.

Snow said although neighbors have said Selleneit has diminished mental capacity, police are planning to do their own investigation.

Child said Selleneit was being booked in Davis County Jail on suspicion of attempted homicide, and that Selleneit's wife was still being questioned by officers and could be charged for encouraging her husband in the shooting.

Selleneit has a severe speech impediment, Child said, and is hard to understand.

"Michael Selleneit has had a history of making allegations against this neighbor as well as other neighbors in the (trailer) park.

None of those allegations have ever been substantiated," Child said.

He said officers have come out on numerous occasions to talk with Selleneit and his wife and tried to dispel their beliefs.

Child said, "I'm surprised to discover he had access to a weapon."

In a news release late Sunday night, Child said Michael Selleneit is a firearm-restricted person based on a felony conviction of forcible sexual abuse of a child in 1990.

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