

obituary

“Skeeter” Steven W. Finley

“Skeeter” Steven W. Finley, age 57, of Paulden, Arizona, saddled up and rode off into the sunset to meet his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, on July 9, 2025.

A cowboy to the core, Skeeter spent his days riding and working ranches and doing what he did best—breaking colts—with his beloved wife, Amy, riding right alongside him.

He rode bulls for 30 years and won the Little Britches Bull Riding World Championship in 1986.

Skeeter was deeply loved and will be missed by many. He was preceded in death by his father, Benjamin Finley; his brother, Danny Finley; and his son, Taylor Finley.

He rides on in the hearts of



Finley

those he leaves behind: his wife of 25 years, Amy Finley, of Paulden, Arizona; his mother, Alice Baehler, of Sharon Springs, Kansas; his sons, Haden Finley (Sierra) of Okmulgee, Oklahoma, and Kade

Finley (fiancée Nicole Rasmussen) of Perkinsville, Arizona; his sister, Coleen Dautel, of Goodland, Kansas; along with three grandchildren, numerous cousins, nieces, nephews, and many close friends.

A Celebration of Life will be held on July 18, 2025, at 10:30 am at the family farm located at 2010 US Hwy 40 in Sharon Springs, Kansas. Lunch will follow—bring a lawn chair and a good story to share. A second gathering will be held in Arizona at a later date.

card shower

The family of Richard (Dick) Allaman would like to announce it’s his 80th birthday on Sunday July 20th. Help him celebrate with a card shower.

Dick Allaman  
611 College Ave  
Goodland KS 67735

genesis and salvation army

**Genesis and the Salvation Army** are available year round to help those in need. Call (785) 890-2299 to speak to a volunteer. If you have any donations for Genesis you may drop them off at The Goodland Star-News, 104 W US Hwy 24, Goodland. Times for drop offs are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

senior center meal site

The **Goodland Senior Center** Meal site, part of the Northwest Kansas Area Agency on Aging and the Homestead Nutrition Project, serves meals weekdays at 11:30 a.m. Those that are homebound or live in Ruleton or Kanorado, can request to have their meal delivered by calling the Homestead Nutrition Project at 1-800-432-7422. For those 60 and older the suggested contribution is \$3.75 per meal. Those under 60 can receive a meal as well, however they must pay the full price of the meal, \$6.75, in advance.

After the meal there is cards or bingo.

For more information, visit us at the corner of Center Ave and 15th Street or call 785-890-7764.

drug drop-off box

A **drug drop-off box** for anyone who wants to dispose of excess prescription drugs, vitamins and supplements is available 24-hours a day in the alley between the Sherman County Courthouse and the Sherman County Sheriff’s Office.

genealogy

The **Family History Center**, 1200 N. 15th, Burlington, run by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, is open from **9:30 a.m. to 12:30**

the calendar

Calendar

**USDA Commodity Distribution**, Monday, July 28 at the **First Christian Church**, 8th and Arcade, Goodland, from **1:30 to 2:30 p.m.** For residents of Sherman County. Bring your own bag, box, wagon or cart, if possible. For more information contact Genesis at 785-890-2299. Foods available may include: Corn, kidney beans, frozen meat, rice, beef stew, green beans, fruits and nuts, mixed veggies, milk, applesauce and cereal.

**Goodland Open Air Market**, in front of Westport Spices and Trading, 1218 Main. Open 8 to 11 am on Saturdays through October.

**Hopes Place** Pregnancy Sup-

port Center, 902 W US Hwy 24, Goodland, is open Monday - Saturday 1-5 MT

**Goodland Carnegie Arts Center** is currently open by appointment only. Appointments may be made by calling the center at 785-890-6442 or emailing director@goodlandarts.org

senior menu

**Today:** Oven baked chicken, baked potato, green beans, bread and ambrosia salad. **Wednesday:** Pasta salad with ham, club crackers and tropical fruit. **Thursday:** Turkey ala king, Antigua blend vegetables, biscuit and strawberry short cake. **Friday:** Tator tot casserole, brussel sprouts, bread and

watermelon. **Monday:** Chicken strips, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, bread and mandarin oranges.

senior center

**7-11 club** at 6 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays and 3rd Saturday of each month

**Birthday Club** 2nd Saturday of each month at 1 p.m.

**Board Meeting** 2nd Monday of the month at 9 a.m.

**Pitch** card playing in the morning Monday through Friday.

**Bingo** on Wednesday and Friday at noon.

**Pinochle** on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday at noon.

Richard Lee Frerichs

Richard Lee Frerichs, age 77, passed away on July 10, 2025, at Good Samaritan Hospital in Lafayette, Colorado. He was born on January 6, 1948, in Goodland, Kansas to William H. and Thelma (Biggs) Frerichs.



dard, KS; his daughter Malissa Sloan (Darren White) of Broomfield, CO; and six beloved grandchildren: Brady Frerichs (Kylie), Brendan Frerichs (Brianna Lorenz), Jett Sloan, Riley, Molly, Maddux

Welner and brother in law Ronald K. Harding. He is also survived by numerous extended family members and cherished friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, William H. and Thelma Frerichs; his brother, William R. Frerichs, his grandson, Brock William Frerichs, and his wife’s parents Donald and Jeanne Harding.

A visitation will be held on Friday, July 18, 2025, from 5:00 to 7:00 PM MDT at Koons-Russell Funeral Home in Goodland.

Funeral services will take place on Saturday, July 19, 2025, at 10:30 AM MDT at the First Christian Church in Goodland, Kansas, with Pastor Monika Hunter officiating. Burial will follow at the Goodland Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the First Christian Church or to Boy Scouts Troop 142 and may be left at the services or mailed to Koons-Russell Funeral Home, 211 N. Main Ave, Goodland, KS 67735.

Online condolences may be shared with the family at www.koonsrussellfuneralhome.com.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Koons-Russell Funeral Home of Goodland.



Join us for a  
Scavenger Hunt  
to benefit  
Northwest Kansas  
Animal Shelter!

Can't Participate  
but Want to  
Donate?



SCAN ME!

Saturday, July 26, 2025  
9 a.m.-2 p.m. MT

Registration \$25  
Register at the Goodland Public Library  
(812 Broadway Ave.)

Scavenger Hunt  
begins at 10 a.m. MT

Come dig up some good fun and help the  
local Animal Shelter!

Prizes awarded to winners and  
goodie bags available!



Find us on Facebook!



**p.m. on the first and third Wednesdays.** Everyone is welcome to do free family history research.

activities

The **High Plains Museum**, 1717 Cherry Ave., is open from **9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Wednesday through Saturday and from 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday** (from June to August). Closed Tuesdays.

The **Carnegie Arts Center** is open from **10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday** at 120 W. 12th. The center has new monthly exhibits and you are invited to visit the gift shop.

The **Goodland Public Library** is open from **9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Thursday** and from **9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday**. For information call (785) 899-5461 or stop by the library.

The **Goodland Activities Center** has the daily activities. For information call (785) 890-7242. Memberships options for everyone including day passes for \$5. Visit goodlandgac.com or stop by 808 Main. The hours are 5:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Monday through Thursday, Friday 5:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday 1 to 5 p.m. **Aerobics** are at 5:30 a.m. on Monday and Wednesday. **Insanity class** meets at 5:30 a.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. **Taekwondo** with Lowell Coon and Connie Jo Coon call for times and dates.

**Emotions Anonymous** For information 785-821-1789 or 785-899-8070.

**TOPS** (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meets at 5 p.m. on Mondays at the Goodland Public Library, 812 Broadway. For information call (785) 821-4998.

The **Incognito Group**, AA meetings held in the **First Christian Church at 711**

**Arcade.** Northwest gravel parking lot door. Sunday at 6 p.m. Open meeting. For more information contact Dave at 785-821-5390 or Betty at 785-821-3375 (Alanon).

**Goodland Alcoholics Anonymous**, 326 E. 6th. If you drink alcohol, that’s your business. If you want to stop, we can help. Call 785-821-0433 or 785-995-9322.

**Narcotics Anonymous** meets at **7:00 (Mountain Time) on Tuesdays and Fridays The Rock House 326 E. 6th.** Call 785-821-1911 for more information.

thrift store

The Goodland Churches Thrift Shop, 1002 Main, is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Monday through Friday. Donations welcome. Books are no longer accepted. They have **daily specials** in different departments. For information call 785-890-2007.

health department

The Sherman County Health Department at 1622 Broadway is open from 8 a.m. to noon and 1 to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Services at the Health Department include Blood pressure checks; immunizations for all ages; health assessments for KanBe Health, daycare and school entry; TB skin tests, diabetic foot care, pregnancy tests, family planning and a wide variety of blood tests including CBC, Lipid and A1c. The Health Department also provides WIC and child care licensing services. All services are by appointment and can be made by calling 785- 890-4888. For a complete list of all our services visit www.sherman-countyhealthdepartment.org.

If you have questions, concerns or complaints about child care, call the health department.

**Water Testing**—The Northwest Local Environmental Protection Group does well evaluations, including testing for bacteria and nitrates. To schedule an evaluation or discuss environmental concerns, call the Health Department at 785-890-4888.

early head start

Early Head Start is a state funded program for income eligible families with prenatal mothers and children up to

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PG PARENTS STRONGLY CAUTIONED  
1203 Main • Phone 899-6103  
Tonight 7 PM:  
Elio (PG)  
Starts Friday 7 PM:  
Jurassic World Rebirth (PG-13)

•PUBLIC NOTICE•

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ORDINANCE NO. 1799 SUMMARY

On July 7, 2025, the City of Goodland, Kansas adopted Ordinance No. 1799. The ordinance adopting and amending Sections 16-401 through 16-416 of the City of Goodland Municipal Code regarding bicycles, electric assisted bicycles, skateboards, scooters, electric scooters, etc.. A complete copy of this ordinance is available at www.goodlandks.gov or at Goodland City Hall. This summary was certified by Jake Kling, City Attorney.

age three. Families participate in a variety of educational activities and receive free medical and dental care.

Services include special needs of children with disabilities. If you have a family member with a special problem, such as drug or alcohol abuse, job loss or other family crisis, your family can qualify. Call 785-672-3125, ext. 187.

preschool

Sherman County Head Start is a free preschool for eligible 3 and 4 year olds. The federally funded program is targeted to families who meet certain economic guidelines and provides hearing, vision, dental and educational screenings. Nutritious meals are served, and parents are encouraged to get involved in their children’s education. For information call 785-890-2552.

crimestoppers

If you have information about any crime, call the Goodland Area Crime Stoppers “Look Line” at 785-899-5665. Your call will be confidential and you will not be asked your name. If the information results in the arrest and/or conviction of those involved, you could be eligible for a reward of up to \$1,000. Goodland Area Crime Stoppers is a nonprofit organization formed by citizens against crime.

The police department can also be called at 785-890-4570.

family shelter

Options Domestic and Sexual Violence Services provides help day or night to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. For information or help, call (800) 794-4624. In the Colby area, call (785) 625-4202. Addresses are 2716 Plaza Ave, Hays, Kan. 67601 or 1480 W. 4th, Colby, Kan. 67701

animal shelter

Lost a pet? Call 785-890-4575 or go to www.petfinder.com and be sure to enter the Goodland zip code 67735. You can also call the Goodland Police Department at 785-890-4570 or Northwest Kansas Animal Shelter at 785-899-4398. Interested in adopting a pet? Call the animal shelter or go to the website www.nwkas-goodland.webs.com.

For personalized dog/cat tags for \$12 call 785-899-4398.

sherman county community foundation

**Sherman County Community Foundation** has grant funding available currently for local 501(c)(3) groups as well as non-profit organizations. Groups are encouraged to make grant requests via Greater NW Kansas Community Foundation that will then be considered by the Board of Directors of the local Community Foundation the following month. For more information, e-mail info@shermancecf.org.