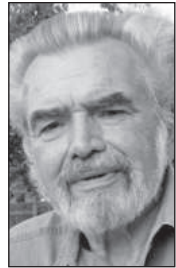


DEATHS AND SERVICES



**Joseph Ward**

OKLAHOMA CITY — Joseph George “Joe” Ward, 74, of Oklahoma City, died Sept. 30, 2015, at his home. He left this life for a better place after a valiant fight against debilitating injury and illness.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. Oct. 17 at Britton Baptist Church, 1141 W. Britton Road, Oklahoma City. Private inurnment will be held at a later date.

**Ward**

The family suggests memorials in Joe’s name to the Central Oklahoma Humane Society, 9300 N. May Ave., Ste. 400-281, Oklahoma City, OK 73120 (www.okhumane.org) or the American Heart Association, 5700 N. Portland Ave. #203, Oklahoma City, OK 73112 (www.heart.org).

Joe was born June 4, 1941, in Hutchison, to Joseph Burton and Edith May (Griffin) Ward. He married Helen R. Bestvater in 1964 in Goessel. A daughter was born to this union. He later married and divorced Leta Melichar and Kathleen Giger.

Joe spent his professional career in public law enforcement and corporate assets management/loss prevention in the private sector. He retired in 2003. His interests in photography and hunting took him to 20 countries. His other hobbies included woodworking, music, a great book and computers.

In addition to both parents, Joe was preceded in death by a grandson, John David Sheridan. Survivors include his daughter Dawn R. Sheridan, Hutchison; grandsons Jacob Sheridan, Lehi, Utah, and James Jones, Hutchinson; two great-grandchildren; sister Melinda Dierks, Grenola; nephew Jason Dierks, Douglas; loving companion Patty Steffen, Oklahoma City; and loyal dog Ronan.

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**Mary Sturm**

Mary E. Sturm, 83, of Winfield, passed away Oct. 8, 2015, in Galachia Heart Hospital, Wichita.

Services will be 2 p.m. Tuesday at Miles Funeral Service. Private inurnment will follow.

Friends may visit with the family from 5 to 7:30 p.m. Monday at the funeral home.

Memorials are to the Cowley County Humane Society. Contributions may be made through the funeral home.

Online condolences may be made at www.milesfuneral-service.com.

A more complete obituary will appear in a future Courier.

WEATHER

**Forecast**

**Today...**Partly sunny with a chance of showers and a slight chance of thunderstorms in the morning...Then sunny in the afternoon. Cooler. Highs in the lower 70s. North winds 5 to 10 mph. Chance of rain 30 percent.  
**Tonight...**Mostly clear. Lows in the upper 40s. Northeast winds up to 5 mph becoming east around 5 mph after midnight.

**Extended forecast**

**Saturday...**Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 70s. South winds 5 to 15 mph.  
**Saturday night through Sunday night...**Mostly clear. Lows around 60. Highs in the mid 80s.  
**Columbus Day through Tuesday...**Mostly clear. Highs in the upper 70s. Lows in the upper 40s.  
**Tuesday night and Wednesday...**Mostly clear. Lows in the mid 50s. Highs in the lower 80s.

BIRTH

**Hazelynn Ruth Richardson**

Drs. Ben and Clarissa Richardson, Pullman, Wash., are the parents of a daughter Hazelynn Ruth Richardson, born July 6, 2015. The baby weighed 7 pounds, 15 ounces and was 22 inches long. Hazelynn’s father teaches at the University of

Washington; her mother teaches at the University of Idaho. Grandparents are Dr. Michael and Tresa (Harris) Richardson, Hannibal, Mo., and Kim and Stan Edge, Springfield, Ill. The great-grandparents are Betty Jo Harris, Winfield, and the late Ben E. Harris.

DAILY RECORD

**Winfield Police Department**

**Tuesday**

•Evan Houser, Douglass, was arrested on an Arrest and Detain warrant in the 300 block of E. Ninth Ave. at Community Corrections.  
•Vanessa Moon, Udall, was involved in a motor vehicle accident causing injury to three pedestrians in the 1000 block of Main St. Moon was cited for no proof of insurance.

**Arkansas City Police Department**

**Saturday**

Officers checked a building in the 100 block of S. Summit St. after finding an open door.  
•Officers were dispatched to the 300 block of W. Quincy Ave. for a report of a vehicle being driven on the left side of the roadway. After a traffic stop, Jerald Wayne Whitson, 49, Arkansas City, was arrested on suspicion of driving under the influence and transporting an open container of alcohol. He was transported to and booked into the Cowley County Jail in Winfield in lieu of \$5,300 bond through Cowley County District Court in Arkansas City. Whitson since has posted bond and been released.  
•Officers responded to 1720 N. Summit St. to check an intoxicated person at Love’s Country Store.  
•Officers stopped a possibly drunk driver in the 3400 block of N. Summit St. Salvador Vasquez, 26, rural Arkansas City, was cited for illegal registration, improper driving on a laned roadway and no proof of insurance, and arrested on suspicion of driving under the influence. He was booked into the Cowley County Jail in lieu of \$750 bond through Arkansas City Municipal Court. Vasquez since has posted bond and been released.  
•An officer responded to the 100 block of S. Eighth St. for a report of suspicious noises in a resident’s front and back yards. Nothing was found.  
•An officer responded to the 1300 block of N. Summit St. for a report of metal in the roadway.  
•Officers were dispatched to the 300 block of E. Vine Ave. for a report of a wanted person at C Street and Vine. They checked Vine Ave. from A to D streets, but did not find anyone.  
•An officer was dispatched to the 1200 block of S. Summit St. for a report of a traffic light that was not functioning properly. The light was cycling properly when the officer arrived.  
•An officer was dispatched to the 2000 block of N. Summit St. for a welfare check.  
•A male came to the Arkansas City Police Department to turn in some property he had found.  
•An officer responded to an animal call in the 1300 block of South G St.  
•An officer responded to the 400 block of W. Bryant Rd. for a civil problem. Two small children were reported on the basketball courts with pillows and sleeping bags and no adults present. No children were found in the area.  
•An officer responded to the 100 block of W. Kansas Ave. for a parking problem. A resident’s driveway was blocked by vehicles parked in the street. The vehicles were moved.  
•Officers went to the 300 block of W. Madison Ave. for followup investigation.  
•An officer responded to a noise complaint in the 200 block of E. Poplar Ave.  
•Officers responded to the 300 block of North D St. for a miscellaneous report.  
•Officers responded to the 1500 block of N. Ninth St. for a report of a small white dog running around and barking at people behind Sunflower Apartments. Nothing was found.  
•Officers responded to the 800 block of S. Summit St. for a theft report. A passport and a birth certificate were reported taken.  
•Officers spoke to a female at the Arkansas City Police Department about a possibly suicidal person. They contacted the person who denied having made any suicidal statements.  
•Officers were dispatched to the 1300 block of South H St. for a juvenile problem. The reporting party said a juvenile boy had shot her daughter

with a pellet gun. The juvenile was taken into custody and a report will be filed.

•An officer responded to the 900 block of S. Sixth St. for a harassment report.

•Officers were dispatched to Paris Park for a report of a girl locked in the female restroom. Parks and Facilities Director Tony Tapia was contacted to unlock the door.

•A 15-year-old Arkansas City male was cited for no driver’s license and speeding in the 200 block of N. Summit St.

•An officer assisted a motorist with unlocking a vehicle in the O’Reilly’s parking lot, 1611 N. Summit St.

•Officers checked a building in the 400 block of S. Summit St. after student patrol found an open door. The key holder arrived to lock the door.

•Nicholas Sean Hadorn, 21, of Arkansas City, was arrested on an Arkansas City Municipal Court warrant for failure to appear. He was transported to the Arkansas City Police Department and later released on \$413 bond.

•An officer was dispatched for an animal call in the 1100 block of North 13th St.  
•Officers responded to a disturbance in the 1700 block of North A St.

•An officer was dispatched to the 900 block of South B St. for a theft report.  
•A 17-year-old Arkansas City male was cited at Chestnut Ave. and Eighth St. for disobeying a traffic control device and no driver’s license.

**Sunday**

•Officers responded to a disturbance at 821 S. Eighth St. A female caller reported that a man forced his way in through the door with a baseball bat. The suspect left the scene in a black Dodge Ram pickup truck. He is wanted on suspicion of two counts of aggravated burglary, aggravated battery, criminal damage to property and disorderly conduct. The suspect had not been located at the time of this report.  
•A female came to the Arkansas City Police Department to inquire about getting her vehicle back from another person. She was told that because both of their names are on the registration, he also has a right to the vehicle.

•An officer was dispatched to the 1400 block of S. Second St. for a report of a suspicious light outside a resident’s home. The officer checked the area but found nothing.  
•James Lee Walker, 44, Arkansas City, was arrested at Knebler Pond on an Arkansas City Municipal Court warrant for failure to appear. Walker was booked into the Cowley County Jail in lieu of \$408 bond. He since has posted bond and been released.

•Andrew Joe Schwilling, 33, Winfield, was cited for no proof of insurance in the 1000 block of north U.S. 77.  
•Officers investigated a non-injury accident in the Walmart parking lot. Ashley Nicole Robinson, 28, rural Dexter, was cited for no proof of insurance.

•An officer responded to the 1000 block of W. Kansas Ave. for a civil problem. The reporting party said someone was shooting a potato gun from the south side of Kansas. No one was found in the area.

•A man came to the Arkansas City Police Department to retrieve some property from evidence.

•Officers responded to the 1000 block of N. Summit St. for a report of criminal damage to property. A resident reported a group of juveniles had damaged lights in her front yard. Officers contacted all of the juveniles, their parents and the reporting party. The situation was being handled, and no report was filed.

•An officer responded to 733 N. Second St. for a harassment report. The resident asked to speak to an officer about her ex harassing her and refusing to bring their children back to her residence. The officer determined a violation of a court order had occurred. A long-form complaint will be filed with the Cowley County Attorney’s Office.

•An officer assisted a motorist with unlocking his vehicle in the 400 block of N. Third St.

•An officer was dispatched to the 200 block of W. Poplar Ave. for an animal call. The dog that was barking had been taken inside and no report was filed.

•Officers responded to a disturbance in the 1300 block of W. Oklahoma Ave. The reporting party said she had heard a male and female yelling at each other somewhere in the area. Officers contacted the neighbor, who had not heard anything. No one was found on Colorado or Oklahoma avenues.

•Ronald Dean Nissen, 20, of Winfield, was cited for speeding in the 400 block of W. Kansas Ave.

•An officer responded to the 500 block of S. Summit St. for a miscellaneous report of a boy riding a bicycle northbound from Madison Avenue.

•An officer was dispatched to assist a motorist with unlocking his vehicle in Orscheln Farm & Home parking lot.

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**Cowley County Sheriff’s Department**

**Wednesday**

•Deputies were dispatched to the 20000 block of U.S. 166 for a report of a one vehicle non-injury accident regarding a car vs. deer.

•Deputies provided traffic control on the area of County View.

•Deputies were dispatched to the 600 block of Locust for a theft report regarding gasoline.

•Deputies were dispatched to the 31000 block of U.S. 166 for a report of cattle on the roadway.

**FALL OPEN HOUSE, October 10th starting at 5:30 pm. Pumpkins, mums, straw bales, activities, hot dogs, S’mores, Outdoor Movie & more. MOONLIGHT MADNESS SALE - 40% off all plants, including trees & shrubs! Gottlob Lawn & Landscape, 5001 E. 9th Avenue, Winfield. — Adv.**

Cowley County Crime-stoppers offers rewards up to \$2,000 for information leading to an arrest. Contact 620-221-7777 in Winfield and 620-442-7777 in Ark City, or visit [www.tipsubmit.com](http://www.tipsubmit.com) to make an anonymous report. — Adv.

**DAWSON MONUMENT CO.**  
1317 Main St., Winfield, KS.  
620-221-1800

CORRECTION

In Thursday’s county commission recap, Mark Krusor was incorrectly titled as the county attorney, when he is the county counselor. The Courier regrets this mixup.

STOCKS

Thursdays closing stock prices, courtesy of Rodger Steffen, financial advisor for Edward Jones:	McDonalds.....102.95...+1.18
Apple.....109.50...-1.28	Merck.....51.03...+0.08
ADM.....45.12...+0.81	Microsoft.....47.45...+0.65
AT&T.....33.40...+0.28	3M Company.....149.41...+1.87
BankofAmerica...15.76...+0.01	Newell.....42.41...+0.75
Boeing.....139.07...+2.05	O’Reilly.....253.56...+1.78
BP.....35.96...+0.25	Pepsi.....98.95...+0.43
Coca-Cola.....41.98...+0.46	Pfizer.....33.08...-0.21
CommerceBank...46.69...+0.26	Raytheon.....111.64...+1.86
ConocoPhillips...56.27...+1.00	Skyline Corp.....2.53...-0.11
EmersonElectric...47.52...+1.17	Sonic.....24.75...+0.22
Exxon/Mobil.....80.06...+0.86	Spirit Aero.....50.14...-0.01
FedexCorp.....155.56...+2.69	Textron.....41.08...+0.86
FordMotor.....14.98...+0.23	Valero.....65.70...+1.11
GeneralElectric...28.02...+0.25	Wal-Mart.....66.86...+0.50
GreifBros.....35.21...+0.66	Walt Disney Co...104.60...+1.21
IntelCorp.....32.52...+0.20	Wendy’s.....9.17...+0.30
IBM.....152.29...+2.20	WestarEnergy.....39.11...+0.78
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**Stone Barn Farm’s 3rd Annual FARM FRESH VINTAGE MARKET**  
Dexter, KS • Sat., Oct. 10th  
10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
Vintage items, antiques, homemade gifts, repurposed junk and lots of holiday treasures. Food vendors will be selling chili, homemade cinnamon rolls and the Dexter-Otto 4-H Club will be holding a bake sale.  
Over 25 Booths will be set up!

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Yesterday’s Closing Price  
Wheat.....\$4.58  
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Corn.....\$3.56  
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