

NEWSMAKERS



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Within this “Newsmakers” column we are pleased to share important news and accomplishments of our members, including state association activities, birth and marriage announcements, and news of Angus members’ passing.

Angus arrivals



Matt and Traci Jackson, Campbellsburg, Ky., announce the birth of their daughter, Hutson K., on Aug. 3.

She weighed 7 pounds, 12.9 ounces, and was 20 inches long. Hutson joins her sister Maddox at home.

Matt is a sales manager for multiple cattle sales through Jackson Marketing Solutions and operates Reality Farms with his father.

In passing



Fred L. Kraye, 83, Mullen, Neb., passed away July 16.

Fred was born on Aug. 6, 1934, to Ernst and Lydia (Helen) Jordan Kraye, at their

ranch just southwest of Mullen.

Fred graduated from Mullen High School in 1951 and was a past president of the Mullen Alumni Association. He attended every one of his 67 alumni banquets. He married Theresa Sullivan on April 14, 1956, and to this union four children were born; Carol, Fredrick, John and Michael.

During his lifetime, Fred was a rancher, a businessman, a truck driver,

a farmer and a cattle order buyer. He was a longtime sports fan and an active community member. Fred was a lifetime member of the American Angus Association and president of the Nebraska Angus Association in years past.

From 1968 through 2003, Fred and Theresa owned and operated Kraye Feed & Supply and K+T Trucking. They resided at the ranch, southwest of Mullen, until August of 1974.

Fred is survived by his children Carol (John G.) Wright, Fredrick (Judy) Kraye, John (Julie) Kraye, and Mike (Tonya) Kraye; grandchildren Christina (Kirk) Stieb, Stephanie (Bryan) Guy, Brian and Brad Wright, Paul Kraye, David Kraye (Stacey Layher), Helen Kraye, Sterling, Bridger, and Kadyn Kraye; great-grandchildren Zac, Chase, Jessica and Wyatt Stieb, and Katie, Avery, Emily, and Daisy Guy; and siblings Betty Kraye and Nancy Laier.

John Charles McBride, 54,



Centralia, Mo., passed away July 21.

He was born on July 7, 1964, in Mexico, Mo., to Bobby Dale and Shirley (Carr) McBride.

John graduated from Centralia High School in 1983

and Platt College in St. Joseph, Mo., in 1984. He was married to the love of his life, Karla (Phears), on April 17, 1992.

He spent his life farming row crops and caring for his cattle. His favorite time was spent with his family, fishing, frying fish and camping. He volunteered for the F&L Hustlers 4-H Club and was a member of Tulip Christian Church.

John is survived by his wife, Karla; son, Derek Cossey and fiancée Tori Posey; daughter, Brittney McBride and fiancé Zane Harper; father, Bobby Dale (Barbara) McBride; brother, Larry Dale (Patty) McBride; sisters Cheryl (Mark) Bradley and Susan (Bret) Miller; several nieces and nephews; other relatives and many close friends.

Recognition

Oklahoma State University Animal Science Department Master Breeder Award

In the last 46 years, this award has been presented a total of 28 times.

Al Rutledge was born on a farm west of Mooreland, Okla., the oldest of 10 boys. His family later moved to a farm north of Woodward, Okla., where Al attended grade school in a one-room school. He graduated from Ft. Supply High School in 1942 and

was a Star Farmer of his FFA chapter.

Honorably discharged from the Navy in 1946, he enrolled in the Animal Science Department at Oklahoma A&M College in 1947. During his first semester in college, Al was seated next to a girl named Betty Seaman from Ripley, Okla. They were married in December of 1949 after Al returned from Chicago where he was a member of the Oklahoma A&M Livestock Judging Team that placed fourth at the International.

While in college, Al lived and worked at the swine farm for one year before he moved to the beef cattle barn where he became assistant herdsman.

After graduation, Al managed Windy Hill Angus Cattle in West Frankfort, Ill., before returning to Oklahoma to serve as herdsman at Angus Valley Farm near Sand Springs. In 1953, Al returned to Oklahoma

A&M as the beef cattle herdsman when his former boss, Orville Dewall, retired from the position.

In 1955, he showed the champion Angus steer at Ft. Worth for Oklahoma A&M. He also raised and sold a Register of Merit Hereford Bull for the college. Al served as herdsman for 10 years, then was assigned to the Live Animal Evaluation Center. Al retired from Oklahoma State University (OSU) in 1990, but he is far from slowing down.

Al and Betty run about 30 Angus cows. From an Angus he purchased in 1956 for \$165, he bred Angus cattle for six generations until he produced the reserve grand champion Angus heifer at the 1996 National Junior Angus Show in Kansas City, Mo. In 1998, Al sold an Angus heifer that won several shows before being named the grand champion heifer at the 1999 All-American Angus Futurity in Louisville, Ky.

On three different tests, Rutledge Angus topped the OBI Bull Test Sale held west of Stillwater. Until January of this year, Rutledge Angus held the record for the top gaining Angus bull at the Panhandle State Bull Test in Goodwell, Okla.

Through the years, Al has served on the Payne County Cattlemen's Association, where he served two terms as president. He also served on the Payne County Fair Board and the Payne County Farm Bureau board of directors. He was president of the Northeast Oklahoma Angus Association and inducted into the Payne County Producers' Hall of Fame in 1999.

Al and Betty had three children, one is deceased. They have three granddaughters and nine great-grandchildren. One granddaughter and great-grandson are deceased. **AJ**

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presented by State Farm® & Telemundo 39

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PRCA EXTREME BULL RIDING
JAN. 22 & 23, 7:30 pm
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