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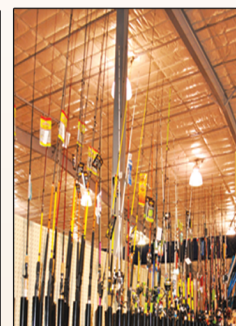
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"It was a wonderful event!" "Everybody was glad to pitch in and help!" "Hopkins County is the most generous place I know of when it comes to helping someone in need!"

These are just a few of the comments heard following the 'Benefit of Love' fundraiser held on November 2, 2019 for the Reed/Cavanaugh/Ivey families of Hopkins County.

The fundraiser was planned in answer to a family tragedy which reached out and touched the hearts of everyone in the entire county.

Here's some background: on Friday October 5, 2019 two sisters, Sandy Reed, Keesha Ivey and two of their children were involved in a horrible vehicle accident in Van Zandt County on their way back home to Sulphur Springs. The family had been attending a Sulphur Springs Wildcat football game in Forney, in which teen Kholson Ivey was a player. The impact was instantly fatal for the two moms in the front seat. Injured was Jacob Reed, age 9, who along with his cousin, 14 year old Kaycee Ivey, were flown to Children's Medical Hospital in Dallas. After a week's care and observation, Jacob was released to go home with his dad, but Kaycee's internal injuries were much worse. In fact, as of the date of this article, Kaycee remains in Children's Hospital under constant care. But, the outlook is now more hopeful for her to regain the ability to communicate normally and to

walk. Kaycee's grandparents Danny and Barbara Cavanaugh of Sulphur Springs have become a tag team, staying with her non-stop since October 6, while also having the care of Kholson as well as another grandchild in their household. Though it's been difficult, the Cavanaugh's give a daily outpouring of gratitude and appreciation for all the help, for family members and friends who have given them a break at times, and for each small success on the road to Kaycee's recovery. However, medical expenses continue to mount.

Fast forward one month to a chilly Saturday, November 2, and the 'Benefit of Love' fundraiser held on the grounds of Shannon Oaks Church in Sulphur Springs. That is when this extended family got acquainted with how loving Hopkins County truly is. First, the whole town was invited to the event, and therefore, lots of food was needed. So local stew and chili cooks came forward, some in family teams, with their stew pots and prep tables, and proceeded to build wood fires, set up the sites to prepare several hundred gallons of Hopkins County stew and chili. For \$6 all-you-can-eat, it was served up bowl by steaming bowl, with all the necessary paper goods, beverages etc donated by a local industries. Several members of local law enforcement groups provided barbeque and trimmings for a donation. In addition, other volunteers prepared baked goods and held a

bake sale on the grounds to raise money. A Chinese silent auction was organized. Businesses and individuals once again gave generously for the cause by donating items such as handmade quilts, large fire pit, electric recliner, wood items made by a high school group, and more than a hundred gift certificates, gift cards and baskets of great items. A local band donated their services and provided a couple of hours of live music during the outdoor event.

One of the first to reach out and help was Jan Massey, who said it actually only took a few phone calls and Facebook messages to gather a group of caring friends to put ideas together for events leading up to this 'Benefit of Love'. Businesses, industries, churches and individuals were eager to give whatever was needed, and extend help in any way necessary. And when it was physical help and labor that was needed, there were also plenty of willing volunteers. The weather also cooperated on the day of the Benefit, and although November 2 day started out cool, the sun shone and helped to lift everyone's spirits as the community bonded together following the awful tragedy. After several hours of hard work filled with a lot of Christian joy, it was time to clean up, clear the grounds and say goodbye to all the friends who came to help. The count revealed more than \$11,000 to be donated to the family, with more last-minute donations still coming in. Organizer Vicki Pickel wanted to make

sure everyone knew that ALL COSTS incurred by the event were covered by donations, and not one cent was owed to anyone.

There's still a long road to complete healing for this family, if ever that will be. Their losses include not just two beautiful daughters who were also Christian women, moms and wives. Their sadness also includes the loss of Sandy's older son Micah Reed, a victim of childhood cancer who passed away five years ago at age 11. If you are reading this and believe in prayer, please remember Brian Reed as he and Jacob struggle to go forward with a "normal" life. Remember



Kaycee, Kholson, Katelin and Kenzie who will lean on each other as they all heal from the loss of their mother. Remember Danny and Barbara Cavanaugh, who admit it has been hard to lose two daughters, and just as difficult to watch Kaycee struggle to live day by day, and now struggles to improve.. And daily, they deal with sadness and exhaustion. Their cares are made a bit lighter by knowing that people in this community are praying for them and willing to help in any way they can. Praise God for the blessings he gives. Here's excerpts from an update on Kaycee, posted just hours before this article went to print. November 6 Update from Children's Medical Center: Another night with no fever. Blood counts good, even better today than yesterday. Drs are pleased with progress.

### BENEFITS OF LOVE FOR THE REED/CAVANAUGH/IVEY FAMILIES



Kaycee was given morphine pump yesterday for pain control...neck brace has been removed so she can communicate with us better now. Today, Kaycee has sat on the side of the bed and has sort of stood up (using her bed). Talking about a "fancy" bed! Her catheter has been removed and cast is coming off left wrist today. We're getting there, slowly. Thanks for praying for and loving us. Keep up the good work.

It's so good to be part of a caring community. We have "harvested" so much love in recent weeks! And, think of the youngsters who've grown up in Hopkins County thinking this is "normal" then carry this kind of 'benefit of love' with them to all the places they go in starting out their lives. Think of the potential force for change they already are! Keep encouraging one another and looking for the good in others. And by all means, count your blessings daily! Til next week, I will watch for you at the Corral Gate!



More about the events leading up to the Nov. 2 benefit and future events can be seen on the facebook page Reed/Cavanaugh Benefit!







## A Salute To Our Veterans....

On the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918, an armistice, or temporary cessation of hostilities, was declared between the Allied nations and Germany in the First World War, then known as "the Great War." Commemorated as Armistice Day beginning the following year, November 11th became a legal federal holiday in the United States in 1938. In the aftermath of World War II and the Korean War, Armistice Day became Veterans Day, a holiday dedicated to American veterans of all wars.

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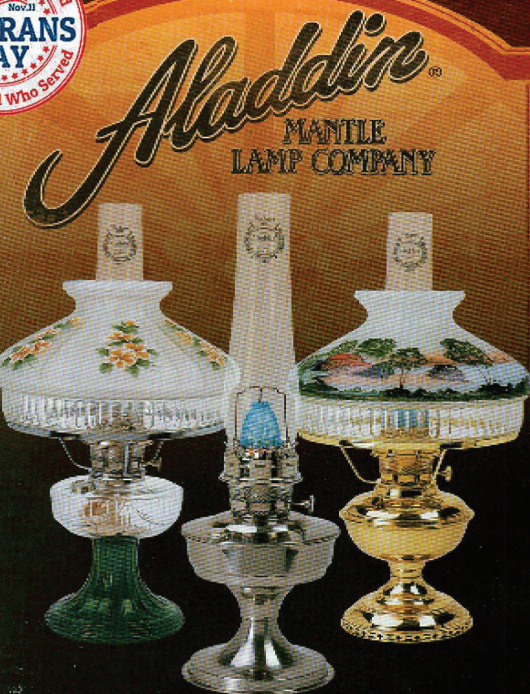
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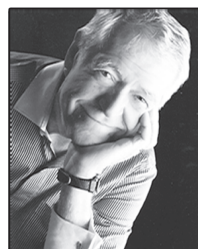
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The players arrived by train and carried their own equipment and luggage to the Redlands Hotel that was near the railroad tracks. They walked to their ball field that was a mile and a quarter away from the hotel. After practice they walked back.

Mr. Pearlstone and his wife Mabel loved to travel. In October of 1905 they were in New Orleans staying at the Roosevelt Hotel. It just so happened that the Philadelphia Athletics baseball team was staying there, too. Hyman became acquainted with several of the players and one of them invited him to come to Marlin the following year to watch spring training. So he did and spent a week with the team. He met the team owner, Mr. Cornelius McGillicutty (otherwise known as Connie Mack). The two men hit it off beautifully and became close friends. Mr. Mack invited Mr., Pearlstone to spend his vacation in Philadelphia during baseball season. He could sit in the dugout with the team and travel with the players. So Mr. Pearlstone did just that for a solid month. He sat with the team every year for 45 years.

Connie Mack had given Hyman a Philadelphia Athletics uniform complete with cap, jersey, pants, shoes, even a glove. Mr. Pearlstone wore that uniform on his train trips to Philadelphia. Once during a slump the catcher tossed his glove to Mr. Pearlstone and asked him to warm up a pitcher in the bullpen. That seemed to turn things around for the team and Mr. Pearlstone continued to warm up pitchers.

Players considered him good luck. Between 1910 and 1931 the Athletics were in 7 World Series and won 5 of them. During every world series game for 45 years, the Pearlstones were guests of Connie Mack, whether his team was playing or not. During off seasons Connie Mack went to Palestine and stayed with the Pearlstones for a month at a time. Some players even went to Palestine, opened businesses and lived out their lives there. Occasionally players would ask Mr. Pearlstone about which stocks to buy.

One of those players was Ty Cobb, whose home was in Georgia. After he retired a reporter asked him how he was going to make a living since he had spent his enormous salary every year (he was one of the highest paid players). He told the reporter "I got some advice to invest in a start up company in Atlanta called Coca Cola. That advice has made me a millionaire and I'll be able to live comfortable without my salary."

In 1909 the New York World Telegram newspaper recognized Mr. Pearlstone as America's #1 Baseball Fan. He died in 1966.



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### ***Cherry Wells***

Graveside service for Cherry Wells, age 86, of Sulphur Springs, TX were held at 10:00 AM Monday, November 4, 2019 at Laurel Oaks Cemetery in Dallas, TX with Jerry Savage officiating. Visitation was held from 5:00 to 7:00 PM on Sunday, November 3, 2019 at Murray-Orwosky Funeral Home. Mrs. Wells passed away on Friday, November 1, 2019 at her residence.

Cherry Lou was born on October 3, 1933 in Nelta, TX to James and Juanita Davidson. She married Arlen Wells on June 9, 1951 in Sulphur Springs. Cherry retired from SSISD. She was a member of the League Street Church of Christ.

She is survived by her husband, Arlen Wells; sons, Ricky Wells and wife, Susan, Monty Wells and wife, Debbie; grandchildren, Monica Ames and husband, Jason, Mandi Rose and husband, Marshall, Blake Wells and wife, Adrian, Cody Wells; great grandchildren, Presley, Lawson, Fisher, Ellie; sisters Jimmie Woods, Charlene Bentle; brother, George Davidson; numerous nieces and nephews. Cherry was preceded in death by her parents and eight brothers and sisters.

Arrangements were under the direction of Murray-Orwosky Funeral Home.



### ***Beth Shurtleff***

Memorial service for Beth Shurtleff was held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, November 6, 2019 at League Street Church of Christ with Shane Carrington officiating. A private inurnment will be held at Restlawn Memorial Park. Visitation was held from 6 to 8 PM., Tuesday, November 5, 2019 at Murray-Orwosky Funeral Home. Mrs. Shurtleff passed away Saturday morning, November 2, 2019 at her residence.

Beth Annette Young Shurtleff entered her life on earth on May 25th, 1958 and was born in Virginia to Edward and Joyce Young. They did get her back to Texas as soon as they could. After living in El Paso briefly, they moved to Seguin, Texas where she grew up and met her high school sweetheart, Keith Shurtleff. She graduated from Seguin High School in 1976.

She married Keith on August 16th, 1980 and graduated from Texas A&M University in the following December of 1980 with a degree in education. She taught before her kids were born, then happily was a stay-at-home mom for several years. In August of 1989, they moved to Sulphur Springs to buy a hog farm which they had for six years. Then she returned to teaching in the Sulphur Springs ISD. Her favorite teaching position was teaching to kids gifted with dyslexia for the last ten years of her career. She enjoyed crappie fishing with her husband and was very competitive with it. They even enjoyed tournament fishing for crappie. She was a member of the Southside Church of Christ where she taught children's Bible classes and young ladies' Bible classes.

She is survived by her husband Keith, their daughter Kacey Batterton (husband, Kenneth), their son Brandon Shurtleff (wife, Amanda), and their son Brian Shurtleff (wife, Ricki). The joy in her life was her four grandchildren: Cara, Paige, Statler, and Anne. Cara brightened Beth's life with her artistic abilities that she shared with her. Paige helped her in her declining years and was always willing to do things that might be difficult for others, but she did it with grace. Statler gave her the best hugs and brightened her day with his smile. And then just when she thought she would have no more grandchildren, Anne (with an E!) came along, and the joy just kept on coming! When Kacey told her that she was expecting this little baby, at one time she became very depressed thinking she'd never get to hold her. But when she talked to Kacey, she assured Beth that things would be different, but that they would make it work, and that she would get to hold Anne. And she was right! Beth is also survived by her mother, Joyce Young, her sister Amy Watson (husband, Tony), and many aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews. Arrangements were under the direction of Murray-Orwosky Funeral Home.



### ***Jim Franklin Lawson***

Funeral services for Jim Franklin Lawson, age 54, of Quitman, were held at 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, November 5, 2019 at West Oaks Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Shawn Deterding officiating. Interment followed at Peerless Cemetery with Erick McFarland, Shannon White, Jeremy Ratliff, John Morrow, Craig Schultz, and Tim Causey serving as pallbearers. Visitation was held one hour prior to service time at West Oaks Funeral Home. Jim passed away on November 3, 2019 at UT Health in Tyler, TX. He was born on May 3, 1965 in Cooper, TX. He worked as a truck driver for many years and was of the Baptist Faith. He married Melinda Lawson on January 3, 2000 in Sulphur Springs. She survives. Jim enjoyed going fishing and spending time with his family and friends. He loved and lived his life to the fullest. He was known for his love

of people, his ready smile, and his practical jokes. In addition to his wife, Melinda, he is also survived by his parents, Billy and Betty Lawson of Sulphur Springs, sons, Bruce Slaton of Murfreesboro, AR, Jim Slaton of Murfreesboro, AR, Chad Slaton of Columbus, OH, Erick McFarland of Quitman, daughter, Brittney Ratliff of Quitman, grandchildren, Dylan, Gunner, Jaxon, and Rylee, brothers, Danny Lawson, Wayne Lawson, Billy Gene Lawson, and John Swann, all of Sulphur Springs, and sister, Jennifer Pryor of Sulphur Springs. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the American Liver Foundation at [liverfoundation.org](http://liverfoundation.org). Arrangements were under the direction of West Oaks Funeral Home. [www.westoaksfuneralhome.com](http://www.westoaksfuneralhome.com)



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