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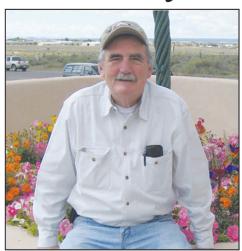
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### LADIES ON A MISSION: A POTATO FUNDRAISER FOR HAITI

They come from different churches and different walks of life. None had previous experience in foreign mission work. All work and save up their money to pay for their travel. In different ways, each finds joy and fulfillment during the trip, despite the less-than-luxurious travel and rooming arrangements, complete lack of electricity and running water and very primitive environment they work in. They are there to bless the people, but each expressed they themselves are the ones who are blessed the most by the joyful and grateful Haitian villagers. You can help by attending a Potato Fundraiser on February 3 in Sulphur Springs.



Left to right, Yvonne Sandy Gail Bain and Cindy

These women are seeking to raise money for villagers in Haiti. The Potato Fundraiser is one way that the four local women pull together to raise funds for their Haitian mission. It will be held at First Baptist Church on Monday February 3, 2020 starting at 11am. Baked potatoes with the trimmings as well as pulled pork sandwiches will be prepared and sold. The cost is \$6 per potato lunch or \$8 for potato with pulled pork sandwich. You can pre-order by calling First Baptist Church.

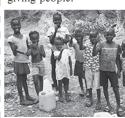
The four missionaries are people you probably already know. They are Cindy Lancaster, Gail Bain, Yvonne King and Sandy Mullens. Each Spring, they travel at their own expense to assist in Bohoc and other remote villages in Haiti, one of the poorest nations on the planet. They are among many groups sponsored by Amanda Picott and Psalm139LOVE, traveling to the mission fields in planes provided through Missionary Flights, International. Here is a bit about these women and the sponsoring organizations which arrange trips and transportation for thousands of missionaries like them each year.

Gail Bain is taking her twelfth trip to Haiti in February 2020. Sometimes she goes twice a year! "The Lord laid it on my heart to go and help, and Haiti is where he led me". Gail is a member of Shannon Oaks Church and says "my trips to Haiti have made me a better servant back here at home. In America, we may complain or grumble about our income or things we'd like to have. These people are just joyful and grateful for anything and every-

Sandy Mullens is a member of League Street Church of Christ and recently moved back to Sulphur Springs. She feels that the Vacation Bible School and the English they teach daily is one of the biggest ways the children are reached. "The kids are so happy when they receive anything, even a sticker on the back of their hand for doing a good job that day. And they sit so still and listen for hours, and are never disruptive or disrespectful.

Cindy Lancaster is a member of St. James Catholic Church and will be taking off soon for her fourth trip to Haiti. "Knowing these people humbles me, makes me more faithful and prayerful. And it makes me more frugal! When you're over there, any big problems you have seem like such small problems, compared with the challenges they face daily for basic needs."

Yvonne King, a member of First Baptist Church stated, "It makes me a better person. Since I'm now a Senior citizen, in the back of my mind all the time when we are working I think about the old people in the villages. They have no meds to take for the aches and pains of old age. Not even an aspirin! And no eyeglasses! No medical, dental or vision care is provided or even available in the villages, and if there was, they couldn't afford it. Many don't live long lives, most not past age 70. Yet for the most part, they are happy, loving and giving people.'



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# Heart Disease: It Can Happen at Any Age

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### 4 Ways to Take Control of Your Heart Health

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- Stay active.







Heart disease is the leading cause of death for both American men and women. African American men are especially susceptible. So it's good news that February is National Heart **Month, since it inspires us to examine one of the** most pressing health concerns in the United States and to make positive changes to our lifestyles.

February also hosts Valentine's Day, which is all about affairs of the heart, so it's a good match.

# Symptoms of a Heart Attack

- Uncomfortable pressure, squeezing, fullness or pain in the center of your chest. It lasts more than a few minutes or goes away and comes back.
- Pain or discomfort in one or both arms, the back, neck, jaw or stomach.
- Shortness of breath with or without chest discomfort.
- Other signs such as breaking out in a cold sweat, nausea or lightheadedness.

As with men, women's most common heart attack symptom is chest pain or discomfort. But women are somewhat more likely than men to experience some of the other common symptoms, particularly shortness of breath, nausea/vomiting and back or jaw pain.

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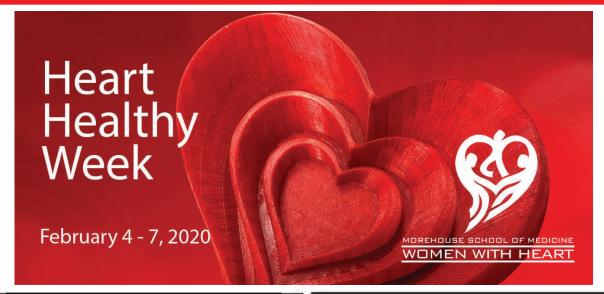


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## Garry Crowson

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Garry Crowson was born on March 22, 1949 in Sulphur Springs, Texas to Herschel Crowson and Billie Sue Harred Crowson. Garry married Reba Parkey Crowson on July 4, 1996 in Comfort, TX and she preceded him in death in 2016. He retired as a trucker driver for Yellow Freight.

He is survived by his sons, Rowdy Crowson and Heath Parkey and his wife, Katherine; daughter, Amanda Crowson; grandchildren, Kaci Jones, Hunter Crowson, Hannah Crowson, and Cassidy Parkey; brother, Kenny Crowson and his wife, Ruth Ann.

Garry was preceded in death by his parents and wife.



## James Henry Taylor

Funeral service for James Henry Taylor, age 83, of Miller Grove was held at 2:00 PM, Thursday, January 23, 2020 at Wilson-Orwosky Funeral Home Chapel in Emory. Interment followed in Dougherty Cemetery. Visitation was 1 hour prior to the service from 1:00-2:00 PM. James "Jim" Henry Taylor passed away Sunday, January 19, 2020, in his home.

Jim was born in Sulphur Springs, on June 11, 1937, to the parentage of John Henry and Agnes Lee Taylor. He grew up in the Seymore area, his father was a peanut farmer and also had a milk by hand dairy. He later joined the United States Air Force where he proudly served our country, and fought in the Korean War. He married Uleta Mae Sparks in Seymore on August 26, 1966, and they were married for 53 years. He was a hard working man. He worked self-employed as a welder and throughout the years he worked for several

different companies. Jim was a Christian.

Survivors include: Wife: Uleta Taylor of Miller Grove. Daughters: Debora Gray, (Russell), of Greenville and Tammie Stafford, (Michael) of Alba, Son: Charles Taylor, (Crystal), of Point, 9 Grandchildren, 6 Great-grandchildren.

Preceded by: Parents; Sisters: Mary Wiggins and Pauline Cassett; Son: James Wes Taylor



## Gaylon Robinson

May 03, 1955 - January 13, 2020

A graveside service for Gaylon Ray Robinson, age 64, of Sulphur Springs was held on Saturday, January 18, 2020 at 2:00PM at Oak Lawn cemetery with Rev. Tom Friday officiating. Shawn Robinson, Leland Robinson, Tommy Robinson and Michael Robinson served as honorary pallbearers. Mr. Robinson passed away Monday, January 13 at Christus Mother Frances Hospital in Sulphur Springs.

Gaylon Ray Robinson was born May 3, 1955 in Commerce, TX to Clessy McKinley Carl Lee Robinson

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He is survived by his children: Shawn Robinson (Goldie), Stacy Robinson and Leland Robinson (Judy); girlfriend: Vicki Fuller; grandchildren: Cameron Robinson, Kayla Campbell, Darren Robinson, Blake Robinson, Dillon Derry, Daisy Derry, Scott Robinson and Kaylee Robinson; great grandchildren: Isaac Robinson, Caleb Robinson, Kayden Derry, and Heaven Woods; sisters: Sandra Barnes and Elaina Shores; brothers: Tot Robinson and Steven Caldwell; mother: Bonnie Godinez; numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father; wife: Bobbie Robinson; sister: Diane Robinson; grandson: Clessy Robinson. In lieu of flowers, the family requested that donations be made to the funeral home to help the family.

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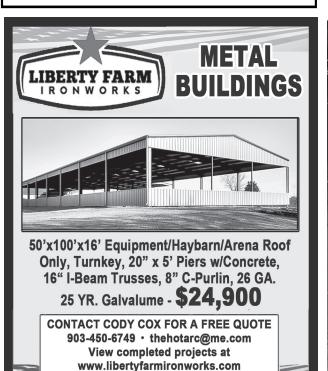
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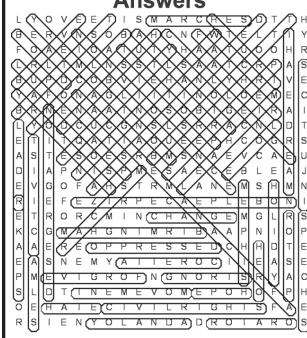
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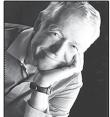
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Mennonites are followers of Menno Simons, a former Catholic who disagreed with the church's insistence on infant baptism. He thought baptism should come when a person was old enough to make decisions. He also believed in pacifism. Menno lived from 1496 to 1561 in the Netherlands. Mennonites were given exemption from military service if they used their skills to reclaim some low land on the coast. When that ended the Mennonites were without religious freedom. Some were persecuted. They fled to Poland, then Russia, the US, Canada, Mexico, Paraguay and other countries. Today Antarctica is the only continent without Mennonites. They are quick to point out that they are members of a religion. They are not an ethnic

Tina Siemens lives in Seminole. She and 550 other Mennonites got to Seminole in the seventies. Tina and her husband own a construction business and Tina is active in the community, serving on both the hospital and chamber of commerce boards of directors. In November of 2015 she was named Seminole's citizen of the year.

Tina has documented the Mennonite migration to Seminole in a book titled SEM-NOLE (SOME PEOPLE NEVER GIVE UP). In researching material for her book, she collected every national story she could find about the frustrations and setbacks her group encountered in moving between Canada, Mexico and the US. There is no shortage of reporting on the subject. She has huge scrapbooks of write-ups in the New York Times, Houston Chronicle, Dallas Morning News and many other publications including the Seminole Sentinel, which covered the story in a professional manner. It is a story that captured the American public and the Mennonites found much support in their plight. Even after the group got to Seminole there were worries they would be deported. Border patrol buses lined up around the courthouse ready to haul them out of the country. But after congress passed a special bill especially for those 550 people they finally became US citizens in 1986 and have been productive members of Gaines County ever since. Because of their farming expertise they have made the county a leader in agriculture. Tina herself says it was a roller coaster for many years. "But you look back on those experiences and realize that's what makes us strong. We persevered, went through the hard times and learned lots of things. The struggle has made us appreciate being Americans. I truly can say from the bottom of my heart I am an American. I have achieved the

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