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## She Won't Let Them Get Beat By the Heat!

If Karon Weatherman has anything to do with it, local Senior Citizens will have every precaution in place for the dangerously hot temperatures that summer brings. Sulphur Springs and Hopkins County has long been known for being generous as well as friendly. Those qualities remain proven hallmarks even as new generations of residents grow up here. You're probably like me and have heard people say, 'I was pleasantly surprised to find that Sulphur Springs is such a friendly place', and 'I've never seen a community give so much when there's a need to fill'. These sentiments have been proven again with the successful Fan and Water Drive conducted through the Sulphur Springs Senior Citizens Center during June/July 2020. Electric fans and bottled water were being sought to give out to local seniors, as a precaution during the hottest period of summer. Karon Weatherman headed up the drives, and businesses, individuals, numerous local health-care agencies and service organizations like The Corvette Club pitched in for the cause. More than 200 fans were donated as well dozens of cases of bottled water, which were distributed on behalf of local Seniors. Karon's sincere thank you goes out to everyone who purchased fans and water and donated them during the drives.



Karon and volunteers in front of The Potato House downtown



Karon with members of The Corvette Club

"I appreciate all these wonderful people so much for working tirelessly to help the seniors beat the heat this summer," Weatherman said. "Please come by and pick up a fan if you are a Senior Citizen and need one. We don't want anyone to be hot this summer." At the present time, the Seniors Center is located in its original building near downtown at 150 MLK Drive in Sulphur Springs. A new, more spacious Center, to be located on Oak Avenue, will soon be in the construction phase. The new Center will also house the Meal-a-Day program, just as has been serving local Seniors for many years. Weatherman and her volunteer staff are excited that the new Senior Citizens Center will soon be a reality for the benefit of all of Hopkins County's Seniors! Weatherman has often shared that Meal-a-Day delivery drivers frequently are the first to encounter a need which a senior citizen may be experiencing. That's because often the delivery driver steps inside the home during their morning route to hand the packaged meal to the client. Encountering a hot environment inside the home as temperatures are rising outside is not a good sign. "These fans and water supplies are of great value for the safety of our most vulnerable population during summer's hottest weather, and they are supplied free of charge from giving hearts. A big thank you to all those who volunteer in service to others in our community".



Here's another way that local folks are helping others. Jo Ann and Richard Taylor of The Produce Stand run a thriving business, but it's often the older customers who get closest to their hearts. According to Jo, "I was raised by my grandmother and my mother to appreciate what farmers grow. Right now, we serve many of our customers through their car window because getting out is difficult for them. Also, the social distancing aspect makes life harder for our older patrons. And, it's these folks who most appreciate the old-time garden produce we carry like home grown tomatoes, purple hull peas and West Texas cantaloupes! What we are able to offer here brings back good memories for them!" The Produce Stand is located near downtown Sulphur Springs at 316 South Davis Street.

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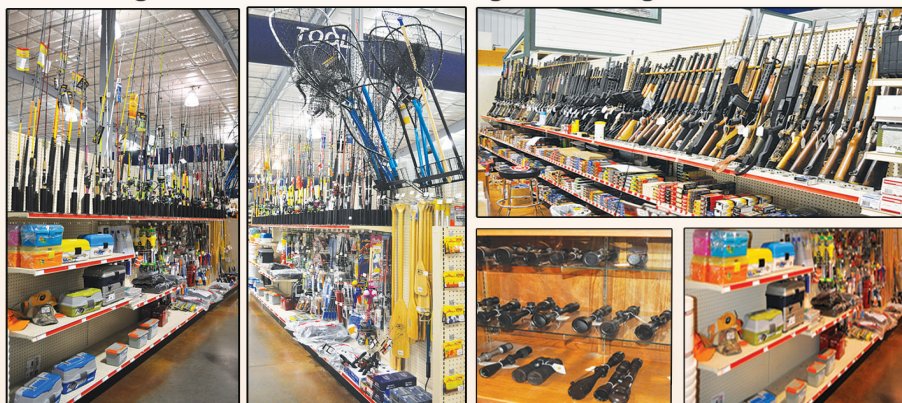
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### **Marcus C. Warren**

A graveside service for Marcus C. Warren, age 76, of Sulphur Springs, TX, was held at 10:00 a.m., Thursday, July 9, 2020 at South Liberty Cemetery with Bro. C.J. Duffey and Bro. Jeff Tiemeyer officiating. Visitation was held from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 8, 2020 at West Oaks Funeral Home. Pallbearers were Michael Formby, Michael Warren, Keith Woodruff, Dustin Holley, Tom Flatt, and Larry Crowson. Honorary pallbearers were Gary Lewis, Malcom Kirkland, Jerry Glossup, Don Gadt, and Dennis Jordan.

Marcus passed away on July 5, 2020 at his residence. He was born on November 19, 1943 in Joiner, AR, the son of Marcus Gordan Warren and Kathryn Jones Warren. He married Betty Ann Stubbs on February 14, 1964 at the First United Methodist Church in Sulphur Springs. He was employed by L3 Communications in Greenville before he joined the United States Navy during the Vietnam conflict. After discharge he was employed by the Texas State Highway Department working as an engineer.

He later worked as an application supervisor for TUMCO for several years before going to work for AK Gillis and Sons as an engineer and safety inspector among many other things.

He is survived by wife, Betty Warren of Sulphur Springs, sons, Mark Allen Warren of Sulphur Springs, Stephen Andrew Warren and wife Morgan of Austin, brother, Monty Warren of Mena, AR, and grandchildren, Kylie Nicole Warren, Kaitlyn Brooke Warren, Marcus James Warren, Asher Worth Lowe, and Avery Grace Lowe. He was preceded in death by his parents.



### **Layne Virginia Young**

February 24, 1997 ~ July 12, 2020 (age 23)

Graveside services for Layne Virginia Young, age 23, of Sulphur Springs, will be held at 10:00 a.m., Saturday, July 18, 2020 at Old Tarrant Cemetery with Rev. Steve Thompson officiating. Pallbearers will be Tyler Gaines, Tyler Young, Cody Aaron, Casey Aaron, Jimmy Riley, and Clint Williams. There will be a come and go visitation from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Friday, July 17, 2020 at West Oaks Funeral Home. Layne passed away on Sunday, July 12, 2020 at Children's Medical City in Dallas. She was born on February 24, 1997 in Plano, TX. Her favorite color was purple, and her favorite animal was a pig. She also had a baby doll named Austin. She is survived by her parents, Lance and Angela Young of Sulphur Springs, biological mother, April Feagins of Blue Ridge, brothers, Tyler Gaines and wife Makala of Wylie, Tyler Young of Sulphur Springs, sister, Chelsea Young of Sulphur Springs, niece, Rae

'Leigh, grandparents, Ronny and Delores Young, Kim and Larry Aaron, and great-grandmother, Joyce Young. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Texas NF Foundation, 320 Decker Drive, Suite 100, Irving, TX 75062 or at [www.texasnf.org](http://www.texasnf.org). Arrangements are under the direction of West Oaks Funeral Home. [www.westoaksfuneralhome.com](http://www.westoaksfuneralhome.com)



### **Ann Westbrook**

A private graveside service for Ann Westbrook, age 87, of Sulphur Springs, was held at Restlawn Memorial Park on Monday, July 10, 2020. Mrs. Westbrook passed away on Friday, July 10, 2020 at Carriage House Manor, after a brief illness.

Elizabeth Ann was born on January 10, 1933 in Gladewater, TX to William M. and Madeleine White. She married Charles L. Westbrook, Sr. in Sulphur Springs on June 19, 1953. Ann was self-employed, founder and co-owner of Westbrook Ready Mix, Inc. with her husband, Charles. After her husband's death in 1974, she became President of the corporation and a member of the Texas Ready Mix Association. She was one of the first Women Owned Business's in the ready mix concrete division and was certified as a WBE and later, a DBE, in the State of Texas and Federal Department of Transportation in the late 1980's.

She is survived by her daughter, Katherine Payne and husband, Rickey; two sons, Charles L. Westbrook, Jr. and wife, Gail and Steven Westbrook, all of Sulphur Springs; seven grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, and one great-great grandson; and one brother, Walter White and wife, Emma, of Bedford, TX.

Ann was a member of the First United Methodist Church. Ann's family would like to extend a special thanks to her loving and dedicated caregivers, Tena Wright, Donna Comacho, and the nursing staff at Carriage House Manor.

Arrangements under the direction of Murray-Orwosky Funeral Home and long-time friend of the family, Charles Moore, of Sulphur Springs, will officiate the graveside service. Memorials may be made to First United Methodist Church of Sulphur Springs or any charity of your choice.



### **Gus Crist**

Funeral service for Gus Crist, age 25, of Yantis, will be held at 11:00a.m. Wednesday, July 15, 2020 at County Line Baptist Church with Rev. Byron George and Pastor Steve Gotberg officiating. Interment will follow at Yantis Cemetery with Keenan Price, Matthew Breitling, Jordan Crist, Teddy Lindblad, Larry Bench, and James Gilbreath serving as pallbearers. Donald Lawson, Noah Price, and Landon Davis will serve as an honorary pallbearers. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service. Gus passed away Thursday, July 9, 2020 in McKinney, TX.

Gus Crist was born February 3, 1995 to Rudy Crist and Michelle (Miller) Crist in Lancaster, TX. He married Chelsea Lindblad on October 28, 2018 in McKinney, TX. He was Assistant Manager at O'Reilly's Auto Parts in Princeton, TX. Gus was a saved Christian and held his 2nd degree black belt.

Survivors include his wife, Chelsea Crist; daughter, Riley Elizabeth Crist; father, Rudy Crist and Tammy; mother, Michelle Crist; and grandmothers, Myra Crist and Arlene Miller. He was preceded in death by his grandfather, Wendell Crist.



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## THE UMBRELLAS OF BAYTOWN

### Tumbleweed Smith



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An unsightly dead-end alley in downtown Baytown has been converted into a major tourist attraction. It's called Umbrella Alley. Colorful umbrellas are suspended by cables and provide shade.

"Red, yellow, blue and green. Those are the colors," says Anna Yowell Baytown's tourism director. "We have 2 different shades of green right now, normally there's a royal blue, a bright yellow, a Kelly green and an apple red."

She says weather does take a toll on the umbrellas.

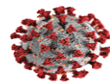
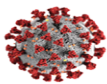
"So our amazing parks and recreation department that partners with us comes in once a week and changes umbrellas that are starting to look ragged or happen to be broken. If things don't seem to be working just right, they fix it. We replace about 400 umbrellas a year. We looked at all kinds of umbrellas and discovered there's really only a certain style that was going to work for us so we told the umbrella salesman to give us a really good price on a bunch of umbrellas."

It's considered an art installation and is a project of the city's art committee.

"We were just trying to figure out how in the world could we inspire art and create art in the community. My team and I were at the Texas State Fair that had an umbrella area. We were walking by and one of my staff members said 'I can do that.' And here we are. We worked with the local community college to paint a unique and interesting mural of Baytown's history and ecology on all three sides of the alley. We thought it was great that young people got involved in the project. It took several semesters to complete. Now we have this really nice area with 150 colorful umbrellas that sway with the wind and create a bright, fun space where a lot of people take photographs. At noon when the sun is straight up the umbrellas are shadowed on the concrete in perfect umbrella shapes. It's really neat when you're there."

When it was installed a few years ago it was only supposed to be up for a year. However it is so popular they're keeping it permanently. Umbrella Alley has been the backdrop for two weddings and several baby pictures. It's one of those places that look so inviting you just can't pass it by. Some cities have copied Baytown's Umbrella Alley and several restaurants have colorful umbrellas over their outside dining areas. Anna says a city in France has an entire street covered by umbrellas. Could it be Cherbourg? In the 1960's a beautiful romantic movie was about an umbrella store in Cherbourg. The title was "Umbrellas of Cherbourg."

Anna is a trained archeologist and worked at the Waco Mammoth Site, a National Monument for a few years before returning to Baytown where she was born. Her roots are deep. Four generations of her family have called Baytown home. A relative had the first general store in town. One reason she left the dig site in Waco was because she enjoyed visiting with tourists so much. When the position of tourism director came open in Baytown, she applied for it.

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