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## Buddy Walker

November 9, 1944-September 14, 2021

Graveside service for James Orville "Buddy" Walker, Jr., age 76, of Sulphur Springs, were held at 3:00 p.m., Saturday, September 18, 2021 at Greenview Cemetery with Bros. Hoyt Scogin and Jay Porterfield officiating. Pallbearers were Grant Looney, Lance Looney, Jay Porterfield, Brandon Kelley, Jarred Pickett, and Michael Vititow. Honorary pallbearers were the Red Barn Morning Group. Buddy passed away on September 14, 2021, at his residence. He was born on November 9, 1944, in Sulphur Springs, the son of James Orville Walker, Sr. and Ima D. Newsom Walker. Buddy worked as a truck driver for Vititow Trucking for many years. He was a member and former deacon of New Sherley Baptist Church. He married Peggy Cates on August 8, 1964, in Sulphur Springs. She preceded him in death on August 22, 2021. He was a proud father, loving grandfather, and faithful caregiver to his wife Peggy in her later years. He was also a Nascar and drag racing enthusiast. Buddy is survived by son, Key Walker and wife, Holly, of Greenville, grandchildren, Reese Walker, Sydney Walker, Jaxey Walker, Jude Walker, and sisters, Pat Looney and husband, Larry, of Sulphur Springs, and Joy Wilson of Sulphur Springs. In addition to his wife, Peggy, he was also preceded in death by his parents and daughter, Kelly Ann Walker Jones. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Greenview Cemetery Association, P.O. Box 1504, Sulphur Springs, TX 75483.

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Saturday, September 25

Music Lineup

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## What is Constitution Week? The DAR Wants You to Know!

Observing Constitution Week September 17-23 in Hopkins County is the local chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution, with a display inside the Sulphur Springs Public Library. Anyone can stop in and view it, read the document see the signatures and enjoy the historically-important works of art.

Constitution Week is the commemoration of America's most important document. It is celebrated annually during the week of September 17-23.

The United States Constitution stands as a testament to the tenacity of Americans throughout history to maintain their liberties, freedoms and inalienable rights.

This celebration of the Constitution was started by the Daughters of the American Revolution. In 1955, DAR petitioned Congress to set aside September 17-23 annually to be dedicated for the observance of Constitution Week. The resolution was later adopted by the U.S. Congress and signed into public law on August 2, 1956, by President Dwight D. Eisenhower.

The DAR has also erected a structure that is built in tribute to the Constitution of the United States. DAR Constitution Hall, which is a performing arts center, opened in 1929.

### The aims of Constitution Week celebrations are to:

- ★ Emphasize citizens' responsibilities for protecting and defending the Constitution.
- ★ Inform people that the Constitution is the basis for America's great heritage and the foundation for our way of life.
- ★ Encourage the study of the historical events which led to the framing of the Constitution in September 1787.



*From press release of the Daughters of the American Revolution Headquarters in Washington, D.C.: We're excited to welcome you back! The DAR Headquarters buildings, including the DAR Museum, DAR Library and DAR Constitution Hall, will reopen to the public on September 1, 2021!*

Locally, for almost fifty years the Captain David Phillips Chapter of the DAR has been active in Hopkins County. The Chapter began in October 1972.

Officers this year are Marynell Bryant-Regent, Patsy Bolton – Vice Regent, Gail Boles – Chaplain, Barbara Cockrum – Secretary, Debra Wood – Treasurer, Sandy Boyd – Registrar, Jan Kimmel – Historian, Michelle Arnold – Librarian and Elner Pettiet –Parliamentarian.



In past years, the local Chapter has celebrated Constitution Week by hosting a Tea, ringing bells, obtaining proclamations, reading part of the Constitution on the Courthouse steps, and donating posters



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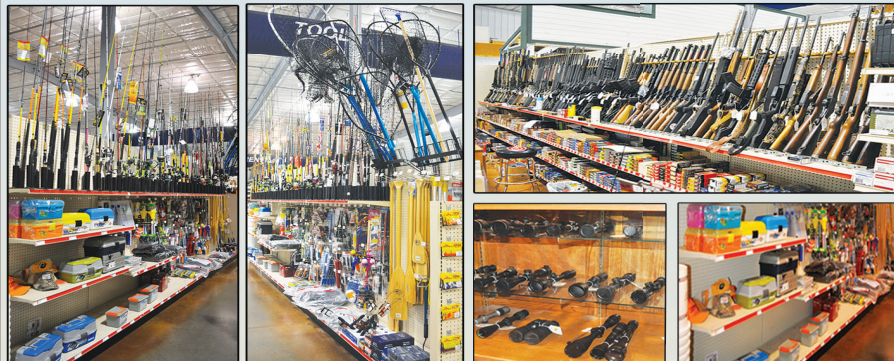
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### **Chitto Olvera**

Funeral service for Chitto Olvera, age 11, of Saltillo, will be held at 3 p.m. Wednesday, September 22, 2021, at the Saltillo Kerry Garmon Gymnasium, Saltillo Texas with Jesse Olvera officiating. Interment will follow at Weaver Cemetery. Serving as pallbearers will be Miguel Olvera, Jesse Olvera, Eddie Olvera, Edwards Vicente, Tim Lane and Arturo Olvera, Sr., and serving as honorary pallbearers are Bo Morris, and his classmates and friends. Visitation will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, September 21, 2021, at Murray-Orwosky Funeral Home, Sulphur Springs. Chitto passed away on Friday, September 17, 2021.

Angel Arturo "Chitto" Olvera was born on June 14, 2010, in Sulphur Springs, Texas. He was in the 6th grade at Saltillo ISD. He was the sweetest kid with the brightest smile. Chitto loved to play basketball, take care of his cows, go fishing, ride his bicycle and four-wheeler, and be with his family and friends. He loved to eat his spicy Takis, hot fries, hot wings and drink his Mt. Dew. Chitto was always willing to lend a helping hand. He wanted



to be a state trooper when he grew up.

Survivors include his parents, Arturo Olvera and Angeles Vicente; sister, Adelice; and grandparents, Arturo and Carolina Olvera and Rosa Rosgado and Eleazar Vicente.

He was preceded in death by his uncle, Wilbert Cruz.

Arrangements under the direction of Murray-Orwosky Funeral Home.

### **Brian Keith "Rusty" Reed**

Funeral services for Brian Keith "Rusty" Reed, age 55, of Sulphur Springs, will be held at 3 p.m. Wednesday, September 22, 2021, at West Oaks Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Bobby Joe Keller officiating and Bro. Danny Ballard assisting. Interment will follow at Ridgeway Cemetery with Jackie Reed, Keith Duncan, Brandon Edge, Bradley Edge, Richard Reed, Roger Reed, Mark Reed, and Rodney Keller serving as pallbearers. Visitation will be held from 1 to 3 p.m., prior to service.

Rusty passed away on September 17, 2021. He was born on November 28, 1965, in Greenville, Texas.

He is survived by father, Steve Randell Reed and wife Wanda; mother, Gaye Nell Chadwick; brothers, Jackie Reed, Keith Duncan, Brandon Edge and Bradley Edge; sisters, Sherry Reed and Veronica Duncan; and several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to a charity of your choice. Arrangements are under the direction of West Oaks Funeral Home.



### **Jeffrey Scott Wilson**

Funeral Services for Jeffrey Scott Wilson, age 51, of Saltillo were held Sunday, September 19, 2021, at 2 p.m. at West Oaks Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Craig Toney officiating. Interment followed at Stouts Creek Cemetery with Hunter Wilson, Cody Wilson, Chad Rawson, Howard Birchfield, Brent Burkett, and Buddy Lappin serving as pallbearers. Visitation was held on Sunday, September 19, 2021, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m., prior to service time. Jeff passed away on Thursday, September 16, 2021, at Longview Regional Medical Center in Longview. Jeff was born June 12, 1970, in Amarillo, the son of Robert Dudley Wilson and Linda Nell Teague. He married his wife Kim, May 3, 1997, in Weaver, she survives.

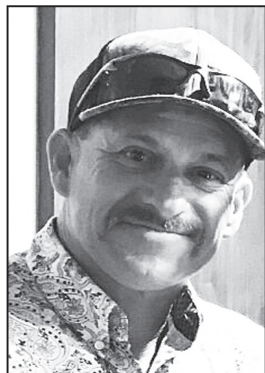
Jeff spent the last 27 years boring for utility companies. He was very grateful to everyone who helped him along the way, including Ben Newcomb and Billy Rex Lawrence. His son, Hunter, has worked with him since 2015 and his brother, Matt, worked with him from 1997 to 2008.

Jeff was someone of great honor and integrity. He was a God fearing man that loved people and worked tirelessly to take care of his wife and two sons. He was someone everyone loved, and he would help anyone at anytime without expecting anything in return. Anytime he was needed, he was always there. Jeff adored his wife, Kim. She was the heartbeat of his life. Jeff had two sons he was so proud of. He loved being their father, and was a great dad to both of them.

Jeff leaves behind to cherish his memory his wife, Kim of the home; sons, Cody Wilson of Saltillo and Hunter Wilson of Saltillo; brother Matt Wilson of Alba; and sister, Hollie Wilson of San Diego, California.

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Highway 350 runs between Big Spring and Snyder. About midway between the two cities is a small place called Vincent, founded in 1892 and named for an early settler. Vincent Vinson. Steve Wolf, whose family has ranches in the region for generations, built a fine café and convenience store a few years ago. It's easy to spot as you drive along. A big sign reads HIGHWAY 350 CAFÉ. Steve says it's 25 miles to Big Spring, 25 miles to Snyder. "We sit right in the middle. I still live on the old home place. I grew up about five miles northeast of the café."

When I visited the place the cooks were passing out samples of fresh peanut butter cookies. A customer had just been delivered his special sandwich. "It's just scrambled eggs," he said. "I get one every Tuesday and Thursday." He said he drinks about 26 glasses of iced tea every day and is never thirsty.

I was there mid-morning so I missed the early morning round table discussion which draws a number of locals and a few curiosity seekers, truck drivers, oil field hands and cowboys. "This is the table of knowledge," says Steve. "We gather here at 7 o'clock every morning and solve all the world's problems. If you sit down here, you can expect to get smarter. We once had a rule that if you didn't know what you were talking about you didn't need to bring it up. We had to change the rule or we wouldn't have anything to talk about."

Steve built the facility because he felt the community needed a place like this. "My grandparents were the first ones that opened a store here, so it's kind of history repeating itself." It's a busy place. Around mealtimes there are pickups and different kinds of rigs and vehicles parked nearly all the way around the building. Steve says business is better than it has ever been. "The oil field is good to us out here. You would not believe how many people live in the Snyder and Ira area that travel all the way to Midland to work."

Customers appreciate the quality of the food served at the café. "When we set this up we wanted to try to make everything ourselves. We cut our steaks and tenderize them in the back; nothing is pre-breaded until we get ready to cook it. One of our favorite menu items is chicken fried steak. Sometimes on Wednesdays we have Mexican chicken fried steak. Chicken strips are good and all our desserts are homemade."

I could not resist. I had to have a piece of the millionaire pie. Delicious.

Steve opened his café and store five years ago. "There's a lot of stuff that goes on here that I had to learn about. But one thing for sure, I've met a lot of good people and they become family, so we now have a larger family."

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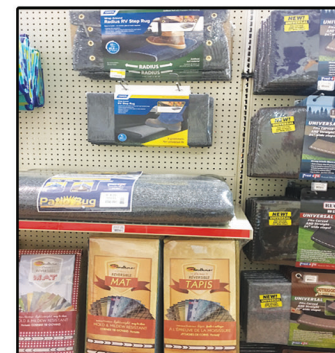
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