

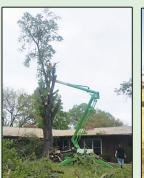


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They go to 5 different locations in Houston.

"Our partner locations let us hook up to their water and electricity. We stay at each location 4 hours on different days. Some people use the showers twice a week."

Each trailer is equipped with large hot water heaters Moving Waters teams up with other organizations.

"Not only do we provide showers but we also provide underwear, socks and hygiene items. Some locations provide food and medical help, even lodging in some cases. Some of our volunteers give haircuts."

Jennifer says when a person uses the showers for the first time they come in looking down, feeling sort of ashamed to be there. But things change after a shower.

"When they emerge they are more upright. There's a smile, a spring in their step. They feel much more confidant. They come out and tell us they've got a job interview or they're going to work."

Showers are thoroughly cleaned and sanitized after each use. "The majority of our guests are men. I would say 85 to 90" percent of people using the showers are men. The average age is between 40 and 50.

Clean washcloths, towels, soap, shampoo, combs and razors are in each stall. The group has only one fulltime employee but lots of volunteers.

"It's been really cool to see everything all come together, see all the different groups get involved. We've had so much support from the city and county. They know we're doing them a favor and making their jobs a lot easier. We're taking away some of their work load because the number of homeless is increasing."

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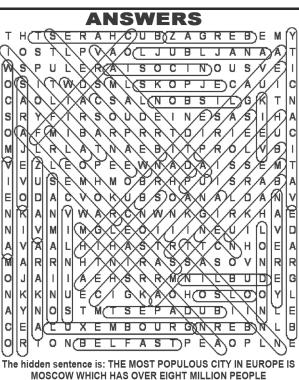
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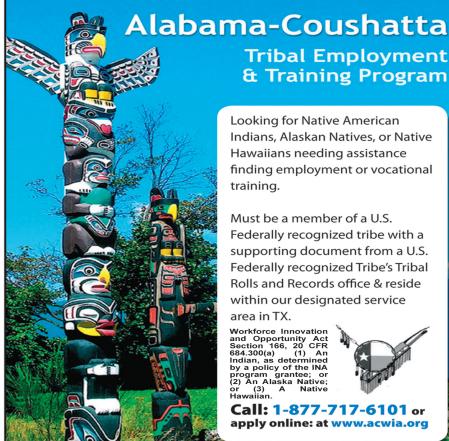
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# Obits



Billy Ray Burnett

May 1, 1953 — March 26, 2023

Funeral service for Billy Ray Burnett, age 69, of Yantis, will be held at 2:00p.m. Thursday, March 30, 2023 at Murray-Orwosky Funeral Chapel with Rev. Byron George officiating. Interment will follow at Seymore Cemetery with J.W. Burnett, Gregg Mays, Cole Burnett, Cord Burnett, Thomas Jenkins, and Kerry Ramsey serving as pallbearers. Honorary pallbearers will be Landon Burnett and Keigan Lobin. Visitation will be 6:00-8:00p.m. Wednesday, March 29, 2023, at Murray-Orwosky Funeral Home. Billy Ray passed away Sunday morning, March 26, 2023 at M.D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston, TX.



## Billie Reynolds Evans

Graveside service for Billie Reynolds Evans, age 96, of Sulphur Springs, was held at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 23, 2023 at Restlawn Memorial Park with Jerry Savage officiating and Charles Mike Reynolds, Ricky Reynolds, Gary Reynolds, Donny Palmer, and Jim Boswell serving as pallbearers. There was no formal visitation. Mrs. Evans passed away peacefully Saturday evening, March 18, 2023 at Christus Mother Frances Hospital in Sulphur Springs.

Billie Reynolds Evans was born July 28, 1926 in Sulphur Bluff, TX to Arthur L. Reynolds and Willie (Hicks) Reynolds. She married John William Evans in Sulphur Springs on March 27, 1958. Mrs. Evans was a bookkeeper for several local businesses throughout her career, and she was a member of the League Street Church of Christ, Daughters of the American Revolution, and United Daughters of the Confederacy.

Mrs. Evans is survived by nieces and nephews, Patty Reynolds Palmer and husband, Donny, Charles Mike Reynolds and wife, Ginger, Gary Reynolds and wife, Lexi, Ricky Reynolds and wife, Maleta, and Susan Reynolds; sister-in-law, Nancy Reynolds; and numerous grand- and great-grand nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, John; brothers, Charles Reynolds and Arthur E. Reynolds; nieces, Peggy Reynolds and Carol Boswell; and grand-niece, Tayler Reynolds.

Memorials may be made to League Street Church of Christ, 1100 S. League St., Sulphur Springs, TX 75482.



## Bill Odom

Bill Odom's library of knowledge obtained during his 72 years officially closed March 13, 2023. He fought a long hard battle against a rare lung disease. He was surrounded by his loving wife and kids at home when he passed.

Bill was born August 8, 1950, to Rufus Daniel (R.D.) and Idell Cockrill Odom in Gainsville, Texas. He attended Dallas Christian School and Austin Christian College. Bill was honorably discharged from the U.S. Army in 1972. He spent over thirty-five years in the clinical laboratory fields of endocrinology, infectious disease, and organ transplant. He retired from Labs at Bonfils Blood Center as president in 2002. Many people knew him as the proprietor of the Shipping Zone, inc.

Bill married Wendy Ann Wolfe, May 28,1995, under their marriage tree at Wolfewood. They celebrated with close friends and family. They spent many years traveling, learning new things and made a bucolic life at Wolfewood.

Bill loved the Lord with all his heart. He cherished his family and friends and was proud of the men his grandsons are becoming. He was an amazing problem solver, inventor and liked to work smarter not harder. He was an amazing home chef. He was a mentor to many sales representatives across the nation.

Bill was really a man of many talents. Some of these talents include little league baseball, pilot, army veteran, medical sales rep and a farmer. He owned and operated a four-wheel drive shop and racetrack, wholesale plant nursery, medical consultation service, and the Shipping Zone inc. His love for the mountains began early when he lived in Breckenridge, Colorado, after serving in the army. He enjoyed going to Fairplay, CO with close friends. He liked to work in his woodshop and tinker on trucks.

On March 15, 2023, Bill W. Odom was interred with a private ceremony at Wolfewood Cemetery. A celebration of life will be held later. Bill was preceded in death by his parents, and siblings Peggy Bratcher Odom, Leon Odom, and Jerry Odom.

Bill is survived by his wife Wendy Ann Wolfe, daughter Kylie Ann Wyly and Michael Scott Wyly of Cumby, Texas. Two grandsons, PFC Lincoln Scott Wyly stationed at Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington and Cadet Koben Michael Wyly attending Texas A & M, College Station, Texas. Lifelong friends Jim Fantus, of Nashville, TN; Bruce and Angie Meyer of Englewood, CO

# Obits continued.....



## Diana Smith

Diana Smith, age 79, of Sulphur Springs passed away peacefully on Wednesday, March 22, 2023 at Sulphur Springs Health and Rehab. Mrs. Smith was lying in state at Murray-Orwosky Funeral Home beginning at 10 am on Friday, March 24 till 5 pm and then again on Saturday and Sunday from 9am to 4pm and Monday, March 26th from 8am to 5pm. There was no formal service or visitation.

Mary Diana was born on September 30, 1943 in Sulphur Springs, to Robert P and Georgia (Poole) Bailey. She married Murry Smith in Birthright on August 18, 1984. Diana was a loving mother and wife. She is survived by her husband, Murry; sons, Jeff Harrinton, Kevin (Kay) Harrington, Roger (Michele) James Jr, David (Patricia) James; grandchildren, Joshua (Staci) Harrington, Kali Harrington, Michael (Julie) James, Amanda James, Amanda Ellis, Vivian Beasley; great grandchildren, Brody Cox, Bailey Harrington, Mack Harrington, Nicholas James, Mila James, Maddison Ellis; cousins, Edna Potts, Katena McCord. Diana was preceded in death by her parents and brother, Harold Bailey; grandson, Robert Castleberry.

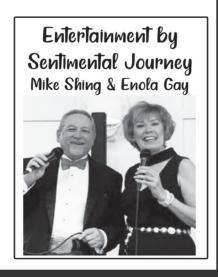
Lottie Fay Pridmore

Lottie Fay's Funeral service, age 89 of Campbell, Texas will be held at 11:00 A.M. on Wednesday, March 29, 2023, at Murray-Orwosky Funeral Home with Buddy Wiggins officiating and Randell Book, Ken Kitchen, Jeff Graves, Steven Kitchen, Ron Pollok and Jimmy Regan serving as pallbearers with Kenny Kitchen serving as an honorary pallbearer. Interment will follow at Brigham Cemetery in Brigham, TX. Visitation will be held from 6:00 to 8:00 P.M. on Tuesday, March 28, 2023, at Murray-Orwosky Funeral Home. Mrs. Pridmore passed away on March 19, 2023, at Hunt Regional Medical Center.

Fay was born on April 5, 1933, to Riley Lewis Book and Lottie Brydell (Parton) Book just outside Pigeott, Arkansas. Fay married Dean Kitchen and had one son, Ken Kitchen. September 16, 1955, she married A.B. Pridmore and they had two children, Debra and Jeff "Dennie". They lived in several states, Michigan, Tennessee, Arkansas and settled in Campbell, TX. She is survived by son, Ken Kitchen and wife, Deniz; daughter, Debra Albritton; five grandchildren, Kenny, Steven, Ian, Jodie and Elan; 10 great grandchildren; brother, Henry Doilous Book and numerous nieces and nephews. Fay was preceded in death by her husband of 51 years A.B. Pridmore in 2006; son, Jeff Pridmore; brothers, John, J.B., and Ray Book; sisters, Edith Simpson, Ethel Hampton, Vergie Binkly, Margie Jones and Louise Harmon.







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