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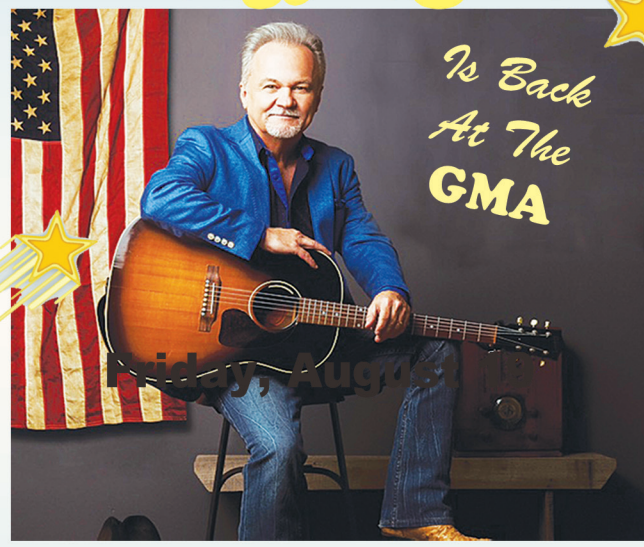


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You hear the sound of cicadas and birds sing their summertime sonatas.

In the bright sun you seek shade and cool lemonade. You relax.

Late afternoon sunlight creates log shadows on the lawn and you hear the pulsating sound of a sprinkler rotating its spray.

It is a special time: a time to sit and think or just sit and stare at your shoes. Maybe even watch a buzzard gracefully sail effortless in the big sky.

It's when you imagine the pure white clouds are paints that create soft designs in the huge canvas of perfect blue.

An afternoon shower and a gentle breeze are welcome events.

And summer fruit is a special treat with its plums, apricots, grapes and berries.

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On moonless nights the stars are bright. Is that a satellite streaking across the darkness? Maybe a meteor. Seeing a falling star is good luck and might even earn a kiss from someone special.

Summer is a time of simple joys: poolside, the beach, hot dogs, popsicles, sitting in a theater with popcorn and a coke, cookouts, sandwiches, iced tea, the smell of new mown hay, firecrackers, flags, parades, and rodeo.

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Ethan Marcus Chambers

Born on August 11, 2004, Ethan Marcus was the only child born to Nikki and Josh Chambers. He was his parents' sweet baby. Ethan sped away from this earth to be with his papa in heaven on August 4, 2023.

Fast and loud, that's the only way to sum up Ethan. From the time he was a baby, till his last breath he lived and loved full throttle. Ethan's livelihood was helping anyone who needed help at any time day or night. If you needed something moved, he was there. Wanted to go duck hunting? He's already headed to your house. Want to go fishing? You gotta try these Canadian worms!!!! It didn't matter if it was riding ATV in Colorado with his friends, or riding the mechanical bull at Shenanigans he was down for a good time as long as he could make somebody smile. At the end of the day, Ethan had one true love, his single cab Silverado. He spent countless hours under the hood of his chevy and would tell you, "She ain't new, but she's mine". He loved that truck and when he passed, so did she. As strong headed as they come, once Ethan made his mind up there was no changing it! You could tell him something over and over and you would get his famous "I got this" every time.

Ethan was preceded in death by his papa, Hugh Wilemon. He is survived by his parents, Nikki and Josh Chambers, his nana, Lynn and his adopted grandfather, Claudie Kennimer, and his grandparents, Shawnee and Michael Chambers. He has numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins who he loved so much.

Visitation will be held from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., Wednesday, August 9, 2023, at West Oaks Funeral Home. Funeral service will be held at 10:00 a.m., Thursday, August 10, 2023, at West Oaks Funeral Home.

Immediately following the service, Ethan will be laid to rest at Sulphur Springs City Cemetery next to his papa. Pallbearers will be Blayne Price, Ryan Kramer, Kristopher Mayfield, Logan Latimer, Zach Keyes, and Lawson Forbes. Honorary pallbearers will be everyone he touched during his short life. Arrangements are under the direction of West Oaks Funeral Home. www.westoaksfuneralhome.com



Leroy Potts July 14, 1941 — August 5, 2023

Leroy Potts, age 82, of Emory, passed away on Saturday, August 5th, at his home in Emory with his children by his side. Leroy was born July 14, 1941 in Emory, Texas to Walter & Gladys Dougherty Potts.

Leroy began his journey home on the same day his wife of 60 years, Carolyn Potts, left his side for her Heavenly home a year prior. Leroy and Carolyn married August 4, 1962 in Emory. Leroy attended Emory High School, and just short of his college degree, he and Carolyn established Potts Gas Company in November of 1968. He made his start in the gas business with one gas truck and a phone line that rang at his cousin Henry's feed store. Leroy spent many years coaching t-ball, baseball & basketball for his children and attending countless sporting events for his children and grandchildren. He loved to hunt and fish, never missing the annual quail hunting trip to South Texas and the annual fishing trip on the Sabine River.

Leroy was preceded in death by his wife, Carolyn Melton Potts; parents Walter Aaron Potts and Gladys Dougherty Potts; and brother, Walter Lee Potts, Jr.

He is survived by son Brennan Potts & wife, Michele of Emory; daughter Melanie Potts Baker & husband, Joel, of Tyler; brother-in-law Wayne Melton & wife Jeanette, of Emory; and the seven loves of his life, his grandchildren, Weston Potts & wife Lexie, Cortney Lynn & husband Dan, Collin Eenigenburg, Kennedy Potts, Coleman Baker, Mallory Baker, and Griffin Baker; three great-grandchildren, Blakeleigh Potts, Blaire Lynn and William Lynn. And for the past 4 years, his loving caretakers Millie Crews, Sonia Broils and Marissa Spinks, who loved and cared for him as family.

A celebration of Leroy's life and reunion with his lifelong love, was held Tuesday, August 8th at 11:00 am, at Emory Baptist Church with Bro. Richard Piles officiating. Family visitation began at 10:00 am prior to the service

Danny Mitchell December 16, 1945 — August 6, 2023

A funeral service for Danny Mitchell, age 77 of Sulphur Springs, Texas will be held at 10:00 A.M. on Friday, August 11, 2023 at Murray-Orwosky Funeral Home with Rev. Johnny Wheat and Rev. Lee Huff officiating. Interment will follow at Richland Cemetery. Visitation will be held from 6:00 to 8:00P.M. on Thursday, August 10, 2023 at Murray-Orwosky Funeral Home. Mr. Mitchell passed away on August 6, 2023 at his residence.

Danny was born on December 16, 1945 in Dallas, Texas to Reginald H. "Son" and Syble (Smith) Mitchell. He married Kathy Lawson on July 17, 1965 in Sulphur Springs, Texas. Danny was a veteran of the United States Army. He retired from Ocean Spray and the Hopkins County Sheriff's office. Danny was a deacon at the Richand Baptist Church and a member of the Lake Highlands Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Kathy; daughter, Michelle Mitchell Vititow; son, Brandon Mitchell; grandchildren, Amanda Davis and husband, Dillon, Payton Mitchell; great grandchildren, Daniel Brian Bailey, Shelby Bailey and Maverick Northcutt; brothers, Donald A. Mitchell and Ricky M. Mitchell; sister, Cathy Lynn Mitchell.

Danny was preceded in death by his parents.



Roy Rogers History!

Roy Rogers (born Leonard Franklin Slye; November 5, 1911 – July 6, 1998) was an American singer, actor, and television host. Following early work under his given name, first as co-founder of the Sons of the Pioneers and then as an actor, the rebranded Rogers then became one of the most popular Western stars of his era. Known as the "King of the Cowboys", he appeared in over 100 films and numerous radio and television episodes of *The Roy Rogers Show*. In many of his films and television episodes, he appeared with his wife, Dale Evans; his Golden Palomino, Trigger; and his German Shepherd, Bullet. His show was broadcast on radio for nine years and then on television from 1951 through 1957. His early roles were uncredited parts in films by fellow cowboy singing star Gene Autry and his productions usually featured a sidekick, often Pat Brady, Andy Devine, George "Gabby" Hayes, or Smiley Burnette. In his later years, he lent his name to the franchise chain of Roy Rogers Restaurants.

Early life

Rogers was born Leonard Franklin Slye, the son of Mattie and Andrew "Andy" Slye in Cincinnati, Ohio. The family lived in a tenement on 2nd Street, where Riverfront Stadium was later constructed. (Rogers later joked that he was born at second base.) Len had three sisters: Kathleen, Mary, and Cleda. Dissatisfied with his job and city life, Andy and his brother Will built a 12-by-50-foot houseboat from salvage lumber, and in July 1912 the Slye family traveled down the Scioto River towards Portsmouth. In 1919, the Slye family purchased a farm in Duck Run, near Lucasville, Ohio, about 12 miles north of Portsmouth, and built a six-room house. Andy soon realized that the farm alone would not provide sufficient income for his family, so he took a job at a Portsmouth shoe factory, living in Portsmouth during the week and returning home on weekends, bearing gifts following paydays. A notable gift was a horse on which young Len learned the basics of horsemanship. Living on the farm with no radio, the family made their own entertainment. On Saturday nights, they often invited neighbors over for square dances, during which Len would sing, play mandolin, and call the square dances. He also learned to yodel during this time, and with his mother they would use different yodels to communicate with each other across distances on the farm.

Len attended high school in McDermott, Ohio, but after he completed his second year there, his family returned to Cincinnati, where his father worked at another shoe factory. Realizing that his family needed his financial help, Len quit school and joined his father at the factory. He tried to attend night school, but after being ridiculed for falling asleep in class, he quit school and never returned.

By 1929, after his older sister Mary and her husband had moved to Lawndale, California, Len and his father quit their factory jobs, packed up their 1923 Dodge, and drove the family to California to visit Mary. They stayed for four months before returning to Ohio. Soon after returning, Len had the opportunity to travel again to California with Mary's father-in-law, and the rest of the family followed in the spring of 1930. The Slye family rented a small house near Mary, and Len and his father found employment driving gravel trucks for a highway construction project. In spring 1931, after the construction company went bankrupt, Len traveled to Tulare, California, where he found work picking peaches for Del Monte. During this time, he lived in a labor camp similar to those depicted in John Steinbeck's novel *The Grapes of Wrath*. The economic hardship of the Great Depression was just as severe in California as it was in Ohio.

Music career

After 19-year-old Len's return to Lawndale, his sister Mary suggested that he audition for the *Midnight Frolic* radio program, which was broadcast over KMCS in Inglewood. A few nights later, wearing a Western shirt that Mary had made for him, he overcame his shyness and appeared on the program playing guitar, singing, and yodeling. A few days later, he was asked to join a local country music group, the Rocky Mountaineers. He accepted the group's offer and became a member in August 1931. By September 1931, Len hired the Canadian-born Bob Nolan, who answered the group's classified ad in the *Los Angeles Herald-Examiner*.

Throughout the year, 1932, Len and Spencer moved through a series of short-lived groups, including the International Cowboys and the O-Bar-O Cowboys. When Spencer left the O-Bar-O Cowboys to take a break from music, Len joined Jack LeFevre and His Texas Outlaws, who were a popular act on a local Los Angeles radio station.

In early 1933, Len, Nolan, and Spencer formed the Pioneers Trio, with Slye on guitar, Nolan on string bass, and Spencer as lead vocalist. They rehearsed for weeks refining their vocal harmonies. During this time, Len continued to work with his radio singing group, while Spencer and Nolan began writing songs for the trio. In early 1934, the fiddle player Hugh Farr joined the group, adding a bass voice to their vocal arrangements. Later that year, the Pioneers Trio became the Sons of the Pioneers when a radio station announcer changed their name because he felt they were too young to be pioneers. The name was received well and fit the group, which was no longer a trio.

By summer 1934, the popularity and fame of the Sons of the Pioneers extended beyond the Los Angeles area and quickly spread across the country through short syndicated radio segments that were later rebroadcast across the United States. The Sons of the Pioneers signed a recording contract with the newly founded Decca label and made their first commercial recording on August 8, 1934. One of the first songs recorded during that first session was "Tumbling Tumbleweeds", written by Bob Nolan. Over the next two years, the Sons of the Pioneers recorded 32 songs for Decca, including the classic "Cool Water".

Rogers met Dale Evans in 1944 when they were cast in a film together. They fell in love, and Rogers proposed to her during a rodeo at Chicago Stadium. They married on New Year's Eve in 1947 at the Flying L Ranch in Davis, Oklahoma, where they had filmed *Home in Oklahoma* a few months earlier. Together they had a child and adopted four more: Robin Elizabeth, who had Down syndrome and died of complications with mumps shortly before her second birthday; three adopted daughters, Mimi, Dodie, and Debbie; and one adopted son, Sandy. Evans wrote about the loss of their daughter Robin in her book *Angel Unaware*. Rogers and Evans remained married until his death.



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