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Miscellaneous A Houston Doctor Is Sprucing Up Turkey, Texas

Tumbleweed Smith



When Mike Goldsby was growing up in Houston, he danced to the music of Bob Wills and became a big fan of the famous fiddler's music.

He got on with life, got an education, earned a PHD in Psychology and is now Director of Clinical Research at Family Psychiatry Clinic in The Woodlands. He

Tumbleweed Smith stays busy, but continues to have strong dancing to that western swing music when he was in high school.

Eight years ago, when he was taking his son to enroll in West Texas A & M University, he drove through Turkey where Bob Wills worked as a barber during the early years of his musical career. He discovered that Turkey was a bustling town after 1928 when the railroad came to town. The city got its name from the wild turkeys in the area. It was first called Turkey Roost.

The city has a big Bob wills festival every year. Dr. Goldsby noticed a lot of rundown buildings as he was driving through Turkey. One of them was an old Phillips 66 service station. His research indicated that it was the very first Phillips 66 service station built in Texas. He bought it and restored it. Then he bought the old Hamms barbershop and restored it. He did the same thing for an old Ford dealership building and a dry goods store.

He fell in love with the people of Turkey, Texas and the clear air of the Panhandle area, which is guite different from the air around Houston. Dr. Goldsby was so taken with the city of Turkey that he plans to retire there.

Mike is mechanically minded and has restored a bus like the one Bob Wills used for touring. He found out that Bob Wills' old house was in the middle of a pasture being used as a hay barn. He contacted the owner, a dentist in Amarillo and asked if he could move it to town where Mike owned a corner lot. The dentist was fine with that.

All the buildings Dr. Goldsby has restored now have or will soon have historical markers. Mike did all the research on the buildings and now several small towns want him to help with their historical marker projects.

Dr. Goldsby says the old bus like the one Bob Wills had will be in the Bob Wills Day parade next year.

Mike has also found some old cars in Turkey that he's restoring. He spends as much time as he can there when he's not at his clinic, which treats about three hundred patients a day.

A tall monument at the edge of town honors the former barber, one of the founders of Western Swing. Bob Wills day is celebrated the last Saturday in April every year.

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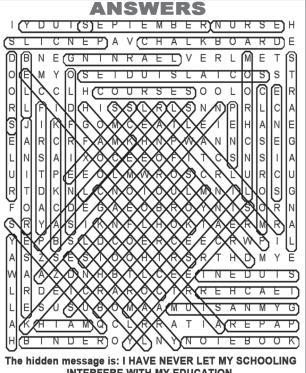
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Emily Herschler Obituary Funeral services for Emily Murray Herschler, age 72, of Dike were conducted at 10:00 a.m. Monday, August 19, 2024 at West Oaks Funeral Home Chapel with Oscar Aguilar officiating. There was no formal visitation. Emily passed away on Thursday, August 15, 2024 at her home. She was born on November 2, 1951 in Sulphur Springs the daughter of William G. "Billy" Murray and Elsie Jackson Murray. She married Paul "Chip" Herschler, Jr and he survives. Emily graduated from TWU and got her Bachler Degree in Political Science. Emily was a lover of all animals and she saw the good in everyone she met. In addition to her husband Chip she is survived by her children, Joel Richard Herschler and wife Megan of Tontitown, AR and Kristen Shelton and husband Brad of Winnsboro, TX, grandchildren, Ethan Herschler and wife Shelby of Bridgeport, TX, Ella Herschler of Stephenville, TX and Lily Herschler of Arkansas, great-granddaughter Millie Herschler. Family request that in lieu of flowers memorials be made to Hearts of Life or a charity of your choice. Arrangements were under the direction of West Oaks Funeral Home. www.westoaksfuneralhome.com

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Juanita Merle McCarty



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November 28, 1930 – August 12, 2024

A graveside service for Juanita Merle McCarty, age 93, of Sulphur Springs, Texas was held at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, August 15, 2024 at Restlawn Memorial Park with Rev. Lee Huff officiating. Visitation was held from 6:00-8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 14, 2024 at Murray-Orwosky Funeral Home in Sulphur Springs. Ms. McCarty passed away at Carriage House Manor in Sulphur Springs on Monday, August 12, 2024.

Juanita Merle McCarty was born on November 28, 1930 in Cumby, Texas to Holton Dewitt and Nellie (Butler) Barrett. She married Errol Laverne McCarty in Sulphur Springs in April, 1947. Merle worked at H.D. Lee, Cannon Craft and was a caregiver for over 10 years. Merle was bright, kind, loving, caring, and a wonderful Mother, Mother-in-law, Wife, Granny, friend, and neighbor. She loved her family more than anything, and they felt the same about her. She cooked lavish meals for the family get-togethers and always insisted on leading the meal-time prayers. She was a dedicated family

prayer warrior during good and bad times. She loved traveling and found comfort in gardening/working in her flower beds when she was able and even mowed her yard for many years. Merle enjoyed secretly taking her daughter to the drag strip outside of town and letting her race the family car. It was also known that if Merle flashed the porch light three times it meant "get in the house". She was the Calvary Baptist Church Secretary for Sunday School for well over 20 years and an active church member.

Merle is survived by her son, MitchelMcCarty (Nancy) of Posey, Texas; daughter, Sharon Chamness (Billy Mack) of Sulphur Springs; grandchildren, Robby Chamness, Keisha Wilkinson, Chaisen Chamness, Brent Johnson (Rachael), Tamara Johnson Sims, Micah McCarty, Marcus McCarty, Lance McCarty, Mary McCarty Smith (Mike); and great-grandchildren, Olivia, Nicholas, Michael, Madeline, Isabella, Gavin, Gracie, Raven, Bryson, Savannah, Laiken, Amanda, Josh, Jimmy, Martha; great-great grandchildren, Bentley, Kaiden, Rylan, Brailon, Slaiden, and coming soon-Tyler.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Holton and Nellie Barrett; husband, Errol Laverne McCarty; brothers, Loyd Thomas, Walter Barrett, Bill Barrett, and Gene Barrett; and sisters, Lillian Carpenter, June Matthews, Ruby Smith, Wanda Alexander, and Leona Barrett.



J.B. McQueen

December 28, 1945 – August 12, 2024

A Funeral Service for J.B. McQueen, age 79, of Sulphur Springs, Texas was held at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 15, 2024 at Murray-Orwosky Funeral Home with Rev. Fred Lewis officiating. Interment followed at Peerless Cemetery with Lucas Flournoy, Matthew Flournoy, Donald Hopper, Logan Oxford, Bryan Scott, and David James serving as pallbearers. Visitation was held one hour prior from 1:00-2:00 p.m. at Murray-Orwosky Funeral Home in Sulphur Springs. Mr. McQueen passed away at Rock Creek Health and Rehabilitation in Sulphur Springs on Monday, August 12, 2024.

J.B. McQueen was born on December 28, 1945 in Cooper, Texas to Odie and Beatrice (Scott) McQueen. J.B. showed cattle and was a Dairy Farmer for many years. He was also a basketball referee for High Schools around this area where he met and was known by many local families. J.B. was a member of the First Baptist Church.

J.B. McQueen is survived by his sister, Judy Lawson of Sulphur Springs, Texas; niece, Laura Peavey and husband Michael of Ben Wheeler, Texas; nephew, David Oxford, Jr. of Sulphur Springs, Texas; great-nephews, Lucas Flournoy and wife Brittany, Matthew Flournoy, Logan Oxford; and great-great niece and nephew, Coleman Flournoy, Caroline Flournoy.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Odie and Beatrice McQueen; and nephew, Rodney Oxford. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you consider a donation to the First Baptist Church, 116 Oak Avenue, Sulphur Springs, TX 75482.





Colby Ryan Robinson

September 27, 1993 — August 18, 2024

Oakland, Oklahoma

Funeral service for Colby Ryan Robinson, age 30, of Oakland, Oklahoma will be held at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 24, 2024 at Your Community Church – Branch in Princeton, Texas with Marc Hooks officiating. Visitation will be held one hour prior from 2:00-3:00 p.m. Mr. Robinson passed away at OU Health University of Oklahoma Medical Center in Oklahoma City on Sunday, August 18, 2024.

Colby Ryan Robinson was born on September 27, 1993 in Plano, Texas to Terry Ray and Theresa Ann (Casebolt) Robinson. Colby never met a stranger and loved to cook. He cherished his family and will be missed by all who knew him.

Colby is survived by his father, Terry Robinson; mother, Theresa Robinson; daughter, Zaylee Robinson; brothers, Joshua Robinson, D.J. Williams, Jalen Williams; stepmother, Rochell Williams; grandmother, Mikie Baker and her fiancé Dana Armstrong; and numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents; Jerry and Clara Robinson; grandfather, Robert Casebolt; and uncle, Rusty Robinson.



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