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Clint Tunnell bought a building on the Comanche square in 2019. It had been empty for years and was in bad shape. He decided to gut the building and start the remodeling process. While power washing a stucco wall, a piece of the stucco came loose revealing a brick wall. "I knew it was red brick behind the stucco but I noticed the bricks were painted black. I thought there might be an

Tumbleweed Smith

advertising sign or something behind the stucco."

Clint and some helpers spent two days carefully chipping away at the stucco on that brick wall. "And I started down at the floor and after we got about three feet high, we uncovered the tail and hind leg of a cow, so we knew we had something. Finally, we uncovered the word tobacco so we just started working our way up the wall. We uncovered an eighteen by eighteen original Bull Durham Tobacco mural from 1893." Clint has done a lot of research on the Durham Tobacco Company that was headquartered in Durham, North Carolina. It was owned by W.T. Blackwell. "He apparently was some kind of a genius," says Clint. "He would walk around at night and pick up tobacco wrappers off the ground and he would take them home and count them to see who was winning the sales in tobacco out there and he realized he was losing. He came up with this outdoor advertising scheme well before Coca Cola or Good Morning Coffee or whatever else there was. This is how he increased his sales of tobacco. He commissioned four artists and they painted them all across the United States. There were some over in China and across the oceans. These murals were painted from 1869 up until the 1920s. We were told by the people in Durham that this is probably the only original Bull Durham mural in Texas that's still intact."

He says the mural reflects several areas of history. "It's great art history, it's great agriculture history, it's great outdoor advertising history, local history, national history, there's so much tied to just that one sign."

Clint put a photo of the mural on Face book and it became a tourist attraction. People from all over the country go to Comanche to see it. "We ended up making the front of this building pretty much full glass. We keep all the lights on at night so people can look in and see the sign."

The building houses offices of their landscaping, real estate and insurance businesses. They also lease office space. "We wondered how we could have our offices and still preserve the historical integrity of the building." He ended up building an 1890s farmhouse inside the building complete with a front porch and gutters. The farmhouse has a thick mat of Astroturf for a front yard. "We knew we were at that age where we would be spending more time at work than we would at home. We were fine with that but we wanted it to feel like home since we would be here so much. We wanted to showcase the walls and the original tin ceiling but still make it a functional space for us."



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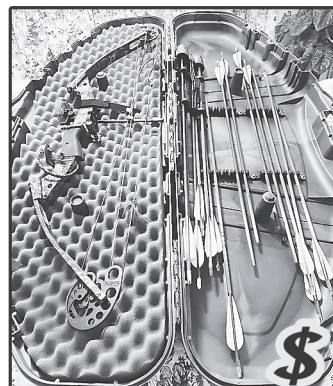
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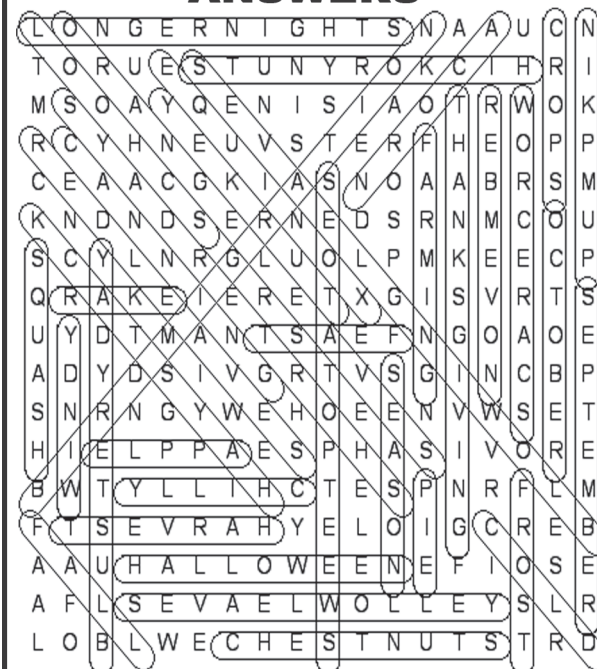
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Karla Campbell Obituary



Mitsie Karla Campbell, 75, of Sulphur Springs passed away on August 25, 2024 at her residence.

Karla was born in Pittsburg, Tx. on May 26, 1949. She was the daughter of B.J. Gerner and Edith Loretta Phillips Gerner. Karla and Dan Campbell were married in Sulphur Sulphur on May 15, 1976 at St. James Catholic Church. She received a Bachelors of Science with honors from Texas Woman's University on 1971, and a Master Degree from the University of Kansas on 1974.

She was a retired dietitian from Hopkins County Memorial Hospital, also many years as a director of the WIC program in Hopkins County. Also, she was a dietitian for several school districts and several nursing home facilities in Northeast Texas.

She was a member of Saint James Catholic Church. Karla and her husband Dan Campbell were owners of West Oaks Funeral Home. She is survived by her husband Dan Campbell of Sulphur Springs, Homer Yanez also of Sulphur Springs, and one niece of Medford , OK.

She was preceded in death by both parents and one sister.

A private entombment was held on Thursday August 29, 2024 at 11:00 am at City Cemetery conducted by Father Victor Hernandez of Saint James Catholic Church. Funeral Arrangements were under the direction of West Oaks Funeral Home.

Layton Carpenter



A funeral service for Layton Carpenter, age 82, of Como, Texas was held at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, August 31, 2024 at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints with Bishop Alan Richmond officiating. Interment followed at Old Saltillo Cemetery with Ryan Shawn Carpenter, Zachary Taylor Carpenter, Michael Lee Carpenter, Logan Kalana Carpenter, Austin Kainoa Carpenter, Layton Lee Carpenter, Gabriel Hernandez, Roman Hernandez, Easton Carpenter, Cal Carpenter, Jose Hernandez, and Cody Doonan serving as pallbearers.

Honorary pallbearers were Shawn Layton Carpenter, Shannon Lee Carpenter, Shane Lance Carpenter, and Sheldon Lane Carpenter. Visitation was held from 6:00-8:00 p.m. on Friday, August 30, 2024 at Murray-Orwosky Funeral Home in Sulphur Springs, Texas. Mr. Carpenter passed away at Christus Mother Frances Hospital in Sulphur Springs on Sunday, August 25, 2024.

Leo Layton Carpenter, Jr. was born on August 13, 1942 in Baton Rouge, Louisiana to Leo Layton Carpenter, Sr. and Grace Mary (Deslatte) Carpenter. He married Anna Lynn Cooper in Baker, Louisiana on October 14, 1966. They were married for Eternity in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints Salt Lake City Temple on October 19, 1966. Layton was in the United States Marine Corps where he achieved the rank of E5 Sergeant. He also obtained an associate degree in Forestry from Louisiana State University (LSU). Layton was a Building Contractor (he retired from L&L Builder, Inc. in December, 2023), a professional welder, an experienced cattleman, and the World's Greatest Dad to his five children. He had several callings over his lifetime as a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints.

Layton is survived by his wife of almost 58 years, Anna Lynn Carpenter of Como; sons, Shawn Layton Carpenter (Danetta Ann) of Sulphur Springs, Shannon Lee Carpenter (Merit) of Sulphur Springs, Shane Lance Carpenter of North Carolina, Sheldon Lane Carpenter of Rockwall; daughter, Sheri Lynn Harris (David) of Little Elm; grandchildren, Ashleigh Hernandez (Jose), Ryan Shawn Carpenter (Jessica), Zachary Taylor Carpenter (Dianna), Amy Lynn Cooper (Cole), Michael Lee Carpenter, Logan Kalana Carpenter, Austin Kainoa Carpenter, Kayla Lynn Harris, Kira Gisele Harris, Layton Lee Carpenter; great-grandchildren,

Gabriel Hernandez, Roman Hernandez, Analysisia Hernandez, Lily Carpenter, Easton Carpenter, Cal Carpenter, Elliana Carpenter, Ava Carpenter, Alani Carpenter; sister, Janice Maria Thorsen of Magna, Utah; and nieces and nephews, Debbie Eames, Leo, Laren, Travis, Dallas, and Jared Thorsen. He was preceded in death by his parents, Leo Layton Carpenter, Sr. and Grace Mary Carpenter.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you consider a donation to a local charity of your choice. Arrangements are under the direction of Murray-Orwosky Funeral Home.

Sam Gilbreath

April 26, 1937 — August 31, 2024

Funeral service for Sam Gilbreath, age 87, of Winnsboro, Texas, will be held at 2:00 P.M. on Saturday, September 7, 2024, at Murray-Orwosky Funeral Home in Sulphur Springs, Texas. Interment will follow at Rockhill Cemetery. Visitation will be held one hour prior to service.

Mr. Gilbreath passed away at Whispering Pines of Winnsboro, Texas, on Saturday, August 31, 2024.

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Jeffrey Noel Mann

Jeff Mann touched every soul he met and was the life of the party. You will be hard pressed to find a man loaded with as much optimism and enthusiasm. Jeff served many years in the Air Force throughout multiple tours as a water and wastewater engineer and retired as a Master Sergeant. Thereafter he continued to serve fresh water to multiple communities as well as brighten their day. Jeff was a cowboy at heart and applied that to everything he did, whether it be DJing weddings or announcing at the Rodeo. The man even became a rodeo clown on the mission to plant a smile on everybody's face. His happy place was as the center of attention, making light of every situation and ensuring everyone had a great time away from the hardships of life; unfortunately, during this mission he was hit with hardships himself. After his service in the USAF he contracted Hepatitis C and kicked that virus to the curb. He was not going to let this speed bump stop him on his path to his hopes and dreams. Years later, he was hit with yet another curveball, stage 4 colon cancer. This fight was his hardest, and during that time sought out to accomplish his goals which he was ultimately successful. He acquired the one thing he had always wanted, a ranch and a beautiful home in Texas with a loving wife, Michelle Mann, to be by his side. He had made it, he had accomplished what he had set out to do and was determined to stay there to enjoy it well into old age. The cancer that he was battling had other plans though. After surgery on his colon to attempt to remove it, over sixty rounds of chemotherapy, and a clinical trial that was sure to reverse its course, Jeff had lost the fight. He was loved by so many and will be missed by even more. Jeff will be mourned by his aforementioned wife Michelle Mann with her children and grandchildren, his mother Gail Mann, His son Tyler Jeffrey Mann, his brother James Mann, and many many more. Jeff will be up in the clouds on a lake in a Malibu boat with his dear friend Jeffrey Johnson and a case of Coors Light.



David Long December 12, 1968 — August 28, 2024

A graveside service for David Long, age 55, of Sulphur Springs, Texas was held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, August 31, 2024 at Restlawn Memorial Park with Robert Brinkman, Bobby Woodard, Kevin Lowe, Justin Burford, and Danny Joe Woodard serving as pallbearers. Visitation was held from 9:00-10:30 a.m. on Saturday, August 31, 2024 at Murray-Orwosky Funeral Home in Sulphur Springs. Mr. Long passed away peacefully at his home on Wednesday, August 28, 2024 surrounded by friends and family.

David Paul Long was born on December 12, 1968 in Odessa, Texas to F.M. and Ethelene (Tarver) Long. David obtained a bachelor's degree in Drafting & Design from Northwestern Louisiana Technical College and worked as a Field Technician for Davey Tree. He enjoyed learning and education and will be deeply missed by everyone who knew him.

David is survived by his sister, Grace Brinkman (Robert) of Minden, Louisiana; nieces, Heather Brinkman (Bobby Woodard) of Sulphur Springs, Texas, Brittney Burford (Justin) of Memphis, Tennessee, Dililah Brinkman of Shreveport, Louisiana; great-nieces and nephews, Rebel Harris, Pistol Thomas, Scarlet Pauley, Waylon Burford, and Gauge Burford. He was preceded in death by his parents, F.M. and Ethelene Long.



Lottie Mae Moore

Lottie Mae Moore passed away August 26, 2024, at the age of 72. She was born July 11, 1952, in Hopkins County to Cecil Barrett and Catherine Moore. Lottie graduated from Sulphur Springs High School in 1972. She worked in food services until she took on childcare for most of her family and friend's children. In her leisure, Lottie loved listening to music and shaking her head to the beat, especially to the song "Kung Fu Fighting".

Lottie Mae Moore was preceded in death by her parents, Cecil Barrett and Catherine Moore; siblings, Elder Mack Barrett, Lillie Faye Barrett; special cousin, Carol Brooks, Willie James Brooks; grandparents, Leathia Mae Shaw and William L. Moore. She leaves to mourn her special aunt Georgia Brooks and special friend Donald Goddfrey.

She leaves to cherish her memories: brother, James Barrett; sisters, Wilma Jean Nelson (Floyd) and sister-in law, Elizabeth Barrett; special sister (by love) cousin by blood, Sandra JoCork (Kenneth), Linda Faye Brooks, Angelia Y. Brooks, Melinda Brooks, and a host of nieces and nephews.

Visitation was Friday August 30, 2024, 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM at Green Leaf Mortuary 200 Putman Street Sulphur Springs, Texas, TX 75482 Funeral Service was Saturday, August 31, 2024, 2:00 PM Morning Chapel Missionary Baptist Church, Fuller Street Sulphur Springs, Texas.

Paulette Wright

Paulette Wright was born on December 29, 1953, at the old home place in Birch Creek. She was welcomed into the world by her loving mother, Roberta Wright. Ms. Paulette Wright, she passed away on August 26, 2024.

Visitation was Saturday August 31, 2024 from 12:00 to 12:50 pm at the League Street Church of Christ: Followed by the funeral service at 1pm. .

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