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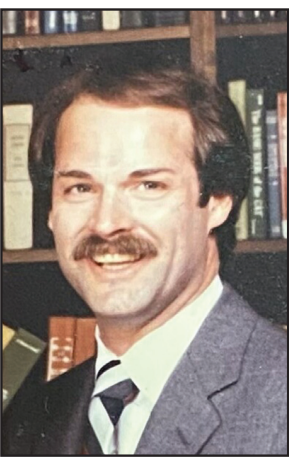


Richard "Mike" Emerson

Richard "Mike" Emerson age, 77 of Sulphur Springs, passed away on Saturday, December 13, 2025. He was born in Sulphur Springs on June 5, 1948, the son of J.M. and Dian Caldwell Emerson. He married Cherise Liggett on August 9, 1969, in Quitman, Texas and she survives.

Mike was the former co-owner of Tapp Funeral Home and Furniture Store, a Funeral Director at Tapp and West Oaks Funeral Homes and the great grandson of H.W. Tapp who founded Tapp Funeral Home in 1901. He was a certified EMT back in the day when funeral homes ran the local ambulance businesses. He was a great interior designer and loved helping local customers design their homes. Mike grew up in Thousand Oaks, California where he enjoyed surfing and riding his bike along the coastline.

He is survived by his wife of fifty-six years Cherise Emerson; son Brandon Emerson of Ft. Worth, daughter Brooke Emerson Jakubik and Brian of Allen, granddaughter Brinley Jakubik also of Allen. Brother Jay Emerson of Oklahoma and Laury Emerson of Oregon. Mike made many lifelong friends from his interior design expertise.



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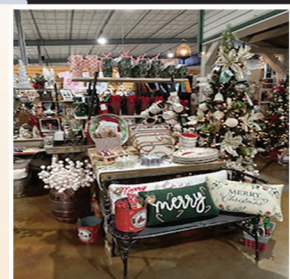
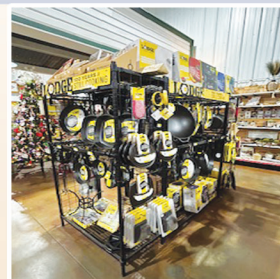
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Tumbleweed Smith

Curt Crawford sells his homemade bologna at the outdoor market in Carthage.

"My daddy is 85," says Curt. "It's hard to buy anything for him because he has everything he needs. He told us once that when he was a kid, he got a whole ring of bologna for Christmas.

He enjoyed that so much.

"I remembered that and got to looking around and found out how to make a ring of bologna and made it for him. He loved it. My family loved it so I just started making it."

I asked Curt how he learned how to make bologna.

"Internet," he said. "I did some research on what's involved in making it, the ingredients and everything. I found a recipe that had no preservatives and decided to use that one. My daddy said it tastes like the old-fashioned bologna that he used to get at the butcher shop in the grocery store."

Curt lists the ingredients.

"It's got pork and beef both. There's an old saying that says you never question what's in bologna. You can question mine because it's just good pork and good beef. It's all USDA inspected. I sell a lot of it at the market. People have started calling me the bologna man."

He describes how he makes it.

"I mix the meats together, grind them, package it in a red rind sleeve, put it on the smoker and it will cook for probably fourteen hours. Then I put it in a cold bath, hang it to bloom then refrigerate it for a couple of days then I slice it up and package it in vacuum sealed bags and freeze it. People can get it, thaw it out and it's ready to eat."

He slices his bologna 3/16th of an inch and bags it up. "I put it in half pound and one-pound packages. I do the half pound for older folks that are single."

He bought some equipment for his bologna making. "I've got a commercial grinder, commercial stuffer. I used to stuff it by hand but got an electric one that pushes the ingredients by itself. I got a commercial meat slicer and commercial outdoor kitchen that's inside a building."

His product is popular.

"This past week I think I sold thirty-eight pounds of bologna and it sells fast."

He also makes salami that has both pork and beef. "It's basically the same as bologna, just different seasonings. It's got the whole peppercorn in it so when it slices you see the peppercorn flakes in it."



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Lou Ann Sanders (Walker) January 18, 1939 — December 13, 2025

Visitation for Lou Ann Sanders (Walker), age 86 of Sulphur Springs, Texas will be held from 12:00 to 2:00 P.M. on Thursday, December 18, 2025 at Murray-Orwosky Funeral Home. Mrs. Sanders passed away on December 13, 2025 at Wesley Oaks.



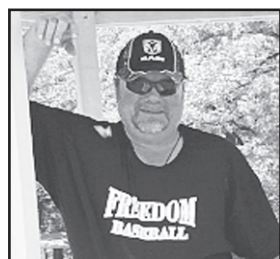
Ronnie Hoops November 14, 1949 — December 13, 2025

Funeral service for Ronnie Hoops, age 76 of Cumby, Texas will be held at 2:00 P.M. on Wednesday, December 17, 2025 at Murray-Orwosky Funeral Home with Bro. David Burns officiating. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service. Jeff Baxter, Cody Monroe, Eron Hoops, Ray Jordan, Chad Crumpton, and Jordan Strickland will serve as pallbearers and Larry Harlan will serve as honorary pallbearer. A private graveside will be held at a later time. Mr. Hoops passed away on December 13, 2025.

Ronnie was born on November 14, 1949 in Dallas, Texas to Edward and Helen (Dickerson) Hoops. He was a veteran of the United States Army. Ronnie married Carol Douglas on January 8, 1973. He was in the flooring business for over 45 years and recently retired. He was an avid hunter and outdoors man. Ronnie was a long-time member of the Brashear Baptist Church. He was currently a member of Grace Family Church.

He is survived by his wife, Carol; daughters, Rhonda Lambert and husband, Derek, and Shelly Bigham; son, Cary Hoops and wife, Rocki; grandchildren, Hunter, Caylor, Hayden, and Jordan; sisters, Connie Baxter and Sharon Sullivan and husband, Russell; brother, Steve Hoops and wife, Darla; brother-in-law, Bob Douglas; many nieces and nephews who all "loved their uncle Joe."

Ronnie was preceded in death by his parents.



Robbie Williamson March 25, 1962 — December 10, 2025

Mr. Robbie Williamson passed away at Caraday of Mount Vernon on Wednesday, December 10, 2025.

Robbie was born on March 25, 1962, in Lynwood, California to Dan and Catherine (Nordeman) Magee. He enjoyed fishing, collecting coins, collecting guns, playing the guitar and watching his favorite TV show, Star Trek. Robbie's great passion in life was being a Butcher. He was married to Sandi Williamson for forty three years and together they raised their family in Sulphur Springs, Texas.

Robbie is survived by his mother, Catherine Magee of New Mexico; his son; Daniel Williamson and wife Karen of Sulphur Springs, Texas; his daughter, Shelby Williamson of Sulphur Springs; four grandchildren, Max Williamson, Logan Williamson, Sloane Biggerstaff and Aiden Orsornio; mother of his children, Sandi Williamson of Sulphur

Springs, Texas; sisters, Vickie Godfrey and Louri Gomez both of New Mexico.

He was preceded in death by his father, Dan Magee. The online register book can be signed at www.murrayorwosky.com. Arrangements are under the direction of Murray-Orwosky Funeral Home.



Timothy Darryl Cheek August 26, 1964 — December 11, 2025

Timothy Darryl Cheek, 61, beloved husband, father, and friend, went to his heavenly home on Thursday, December 11, 2025, surrounded by his loving family. Tim was born on August 26, 1964, to John and Ella Cheek.

Tim shared 36 wonderful years with his beloved wife and best friend. They loved spending time together, traveling and going places, riding the golf cart, and simply enjoying life side by side. He is remembered for his strong work ethic and his deep love for both his family and his faith. He was a devoted husband, a proud father, grandfather, loyal brother, and friend. Tim spent many years coaching Brett and Niki's teams and devoted countless hours to the ball fields, where he built lifelong friendships through the game. He was a hard worker who faithfully provided for his family and led by example. He was employed for the last 15 years as the manager of Car-Mart of Sulphur Springs, where he was well respected for his leadership, work ethic, and genuine care for colleagues and customers alike. He touched countless lives through his steady

presence and warm spirit.

Above all, Tim was a believer in Jesus and loved Him deeply, living his life with faith as his foundation.

Tim is survived by his wife, Sivi Cheek; children, Brett Cheek and wife, Keilani, and Niki Davis and husband, Jeremy; granddaughters, Kynlie and Kambrie Cheek; grand dog, Kash; brothers, Chris Cheek and wife, Le-Anna, James Cheek and wife, Haley; parents, John and Patsy Cheek; step-brothers, Scott Banks and wife, Charlotte, Greg Banks and wife, Brittany, and numerous nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his mother, Ella Cheek.

A celebration of life was held on Saturday, December 13, 2025 at 2 p.m. at South Jefferson Baptist Church, with Bro. Tommy Oglesby officiating. Visitation was held prior to the service at 1 p.m. Interment followed at Gray Rock Cemetery in Winfield, Texas.

Pallbearers were Jeff Morris, Bobby Jenkins, Keith Abrom, David Huffman, Darrell Huffman, and Chuck Tawil. Honorary pallbearers were Curtis DeLoney, Paul Harris, and Casey Taylor.

What is Sepsis?

Sepsis rarely announces itself in a way that feels urgent. It often starts as something familiar a fever a cough a sore wound an infection that seems routine. Then the body loses its balance. The immune system meant to defend begins to harm and the line between recovery and crisis narrows quickly.

For patients and families sepsis is frightening and disorienting. One moment a loved one is awake and talking and the next they are confused gasping for breath or growing dangerously weak. The room fills with alarms medical terms and hurried footsteps. Decisions are made fast while emotions lag behind. Fear settles in quietly and stays. Sepsis does not choose its victims carefully. It touches newborns young adults and the elderly. It strikes people who were healthy hours before and those already living with illness. It can follow surgery, childbirth, pneumonia or a minor cut that no one thought twice about. What makes sepsis especially dangerous is time. The earlier it is recognized the better the chance of survival yet many people do not know what to look for.

Too often warning signs are missed or dismissed. Patients assume they can wait until morning. Families sense something is wrong but cannot name it. Even in healthcare settings early symptoms can be subtle, blending into the noise of busy emergency rooms and overcrowded hospitals. By the time sepsis is identified the body may already be under extreme stress.

Those who survive are changed by the experience. Recovery does not always mean a return to normal. Many live with lingering exhaustion, memory problems, anxiety or physical limitations that reshape their daily lives. Families also carry the weight watching someone they love struggle with a recovery they never expected.

Sepsis means paying attention to people, not just numbers on a chart. It means listening when someone says this feels different. It means honoring instincts from patients, families and clinicians who sense that something is wrong even before lab results confirm it. Early action can save a life and delay can take one.

Sepsis is more than a medical diagnosis. It is a moment when vulnerability becomes visible and trust in care becomes essential. Awareness, compassion and swift response matter. When we recognize sepsis early and treat it with urgency and empathy, we do more than fight infection. We protect lives futures and the people who love them.,



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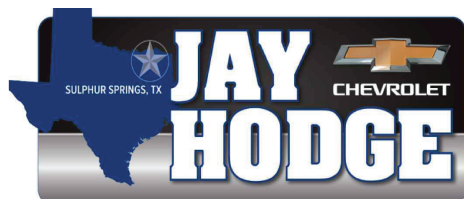


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