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At The Corral Gate

By Enola Gay

Some friends that we lose leave behind a feeling that we should celebrate their life instead of mourning in sadness. Ruth Macy is one of those. At her memorial service this weekend, I anticipate an atmosphere of gladness will have a place for those friends who attend.

To me, Ruth was a wise and capable woman who was a helper and confidant over our 20-plus-year friendship. Sometimes we talked in the outdoors, where we both like most to be, and sometimes at her dining room table where we drank coffee and talked over matters of interest. Ruth was strongly political! And Ruth was unfailingly supportive and positive to those whom she befriended. Her fondest saying was "there are the nicest people living in Hopkins County, and I know a good many of them personally".

Ruth was a lady farmer. She was raised on a Montana ranch, and married a Montana rancher. After she was widowed, she kept on farming. Into her 80's, she was a capable hand with cattle and horses, and good at growing baby calves into healthy replacement heifers for local dairies. She did her own "A-I" work. She kept a small herd of "nice" cows and did the milking by hand. She liked to make the butter for her great "lace cookies" and other recipes. Because she didn't have a large herd of cows, she used a small separator, and a small counter-top churn. There would usually be fresh cream in the refrigerator for her coffee-drinking friends. Her home kitchen counter is also where she prepared and packaged her retail product "Bud's Buffalo Cream". The all-purpose hand cream product with a base of buffalo tallow was created with the help of her brother Bud before she ever moved from Montana to Hopkins County, and it provided her a source of extra income.

Ruth made herself useful beyond her farm duties, pitching in for hand-picked causes and events in the community. One was the Folk Festival/Indian Summer Days in Heritage Park. Ruth was the "Apple Butter" lady there. With a fair amount of effort, she set up an outdoor cooking site under the trees where, in pioneer costume, she hand-prepared delicious apple butter for park visitors to sample. Each spring, she played the role of tax preparer, helping a good number of people with free income tax preparation through the AARP Tax-Aid program.

One of the nicest things Ruth ever did for my family was to teach my daughter Jessica to milk. As a contestant for Hopkins County Dairy Festival Queen in 2000, she had to milk a cow. Ruth gave hands-on training sessions on her gentlest cow until Jessi "got the feel of it". Well, despite a good try, Jessie did not win the crown, but with Coach Ruth as my "milking partner" I took second place in the Parent's Milking division!

Friends Sue and Paul Smith and Ruth's daughter and son-in-law Julie and Ben Conrique have often invited me over during the holidays when my family couldn't come home. Christmas night 2014 found the half-dozen of us together again for a delicious dinner and quiet fellowship. Those memories are precious to me. I know that many of her other friends have also have cherished stories to tell of Ruth's simple, strong and sincere friendship offered with an open hand and an open smile. We are missing her already.

I had a Spring Break visit from my daughter Bobbi Jo and granddaughters Jordan and Jade. We had much fun and laughed a lot.

They wanted to go and hear the Birthright Blues Project at Muddy Jake's on Tuesday night. They loved their music and the family-band concept! You can catch the band downtown Sulphur Springs every Tuesday night at "the Backyard" starting at 8pm.

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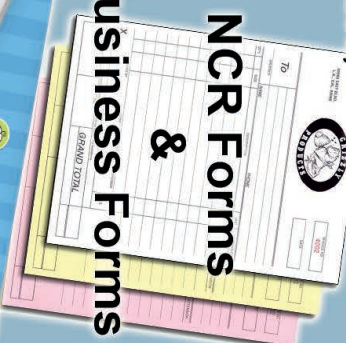
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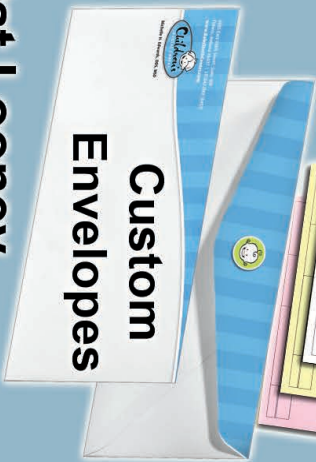
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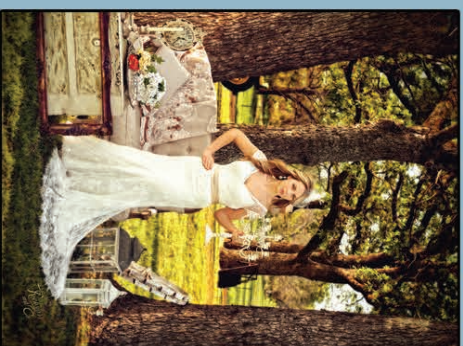
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Hannah Kirby's life on *The Voice*

By **TERRY MATHEWS**

Copy Editor of *The Winnsboro News*

Hannah Kirby is having the time of her life as a contestant on NBC's hit series, "The Voice."

The 2012 Sulphur Springs High School graduate was picked by country superstar Blake Shelton during the blind audition part of the competition.

Then, during her battle round, Shelton chose Sarah Potenza over Kirby, but Adam Levine and Pharrell Williams hit their buttons to save her. In the end, Kirby selected Williams as her coach for the knock out rounds, which should begin next week.

Kirby, a psychology major at Texas A&M University-Commerce, is the daughter of Richard and Nancy Kirby of Sulphur Springs. Her parents are school counselors.

She is well known in the area, having performed at numerous events, including concerts on the Hopkins County Courthouse square and with the North East Texas Choral Society. She has also been a featured performer at Dallas' House of Blues and Opening Bell.

Before she returned to Los Angeles Saturday, Kirby, 21, took a break from packing and a whirlwind of appearances to answer a few questions.

The Winnsboro News: What's been the best part of this journey?

Hannah Kirby: You'd think that the best part of this journey would be the performances and it is, but almost more than that, I've grown so much as a person throughout this. And I know I'll continue to grow as I continue on in this journey.

TWN: How have you coped with the stress of going from being the darling of a regional stage to being one of the most talked about contestants of "The Voice"?

HK: Being viewed by millions of people hasn't hit me yet.

What I have experienced is the sense of being known. Everyone in North East Texas, at least, knows that I am a musician and I am a singer.

TWN: How are you taking care of your voice during the competition?

HK: Simply put, I can't over work my voice. I also can't drink milk because it causes nasal congestion, which makes me sad.

TWN: Sulphur Springs has really rolled out the red carpet for you. How great is it to have such wide-spread support from your "home skillet"?

HK: Ha ha. For anyone who doesn't know, let me explain. "Home skillet" is a slang term of endearment. It is used to refer to someone who is a close friend.

I'm pleasantly surprised! Not that I didn't expect my town to support me. I did, but it's more than that.

I feel like Sulphur Springs is rallying around me. To know that I have this huge foundation of support gives me peace in my situation.

Everyone who watched me grow up is now supporting my dream. I'm so touched and thankful.

TWN: What lessons did you learn growing up in NE Texas that have served you well during this tough competition?

HK: In college at Texas A&M Commerce I learned that no matter what task you are doing, you need to do it with your full strength. You have to do everything whole-heartedly. Maybe it's something that seems insignificant but the task isn't what matters, it's that you do it to the best of your ability. Because you have that ability for a reason.

For "The Voice," it's incredibly important that every practice and every performance is whole-hearted.

TWN: How are your parents? Has your mama quit smiling?

HK: They are doing fantastic. They are so excited and of course my biggest fans and supporters. My mom may smile forever!

TWN: What would you like our readers to know about you that hasn't been mentioned on "The Voice"?

HK: I'm a spiritual person and my faith is important to me. I'm a strong believer in self awareness and knowing who you are as a person. I believe that all you do should be done in love. If you do that I believe it is easier to see and know the truth. And when you know the truth, you can be at peace.

TWN: How did you feel when Pharrell made the comment, "She came out here swinging her purse like a southern church lady"?

HK: Ha, ha. I loved it. Pharrell doesn't know me personally but I feel like he does because that is my personality.



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TEXAS HISTORY

Dr. Pepper



Dr. Pepper is a carbonated soft drink marketed as having a unique flavor. The drink was created in the 1880s by Charles Alderton in Waco, Texas and first served around 1885. Dr Pepper was first nationally marketed in the United States in 1904, and is now also sold in Europe, Asia, Canada, Mexico, Australia, New Zealand (as an imported drink), South Africa (also as an imported drink), and South America. Variants include a version without high fructose corn syrup, Diet Dr Pepper, as well as a line of additional flavors, first introduced in the 2000s.

W.W. Clements, former CEO and president of the Dr Pepper/7-Up Company, described the taste of Dr Pepper as one-of-a-kind, saying, "I've always maintained you cannot tell anyone what Dr Pepper tastes like because it's so different. It's not an apple, it's not an orange, it's not a strawberry, it's not a root beer, it's not even a cola. It's a different kind of drink with a unique taste all its own."

HISTORY

The U.S. Patent Office recognizes December 1, 1885, as the first time Dr Pepper was served. It was introduced nationally in the United States at the 1904 Louisiana Purchase Exposition as a new kind of soda pop, made with 23 flavors. Its introduction in 1885 preceded the introduction of Coca-Cola by one year.

It was formulated by Brooklyn-born pharmacist Charles Alderton in Morrison's Old Corner Drug Store in Waco, Texas. To test his new drink, he first offered it to store owner Wade Morrison, who also found it to his liking. Patrons at Morrison's soda fountain soon learned of Alderton's new drink and began ordering a "Waco".[Alderton gave the formula to Morrison, who named it Dr Pepper.

NAME

Theories abound about the origins of the soft drink's name. One conjecture is the "pep" refers to pepsin. In 2009, an old ledger book filled with formulas and recipes was discovered by Bill Waters while shopping at an antiques store in the Texas Panhandle. Several sheets and letterheads hinted it had come from the W.B. Morrison & Co. Old Corner Drug Store (the same store where Dr Pepper was first served in 1885) and faded letters on the book's cover spelled out "Castles Formulas". John Castles was a partner of Morrison's for a time and worked at that location as early as 1880. One recipe in the book titled "D Peppers Pepsin Bitters" was of particular interest, and some speculated it could be an early recipe for Dr Pepper. However, Dr Pepper Snapple Group insists it is not the formula for Dr Pepper, but is instead a medicinal recipe for a digestive aid. The book was put up for auction in May 2009, but no one purchased it.

Like many early sodas, the drink was marketed as a brain tonic and energizing pick-me-up, so another theory holds that it was named for the pep it supposedly gave to users.

Others believe the drink was named after a real Dr. Pepper. One candidate is Dr. Charles T. Pepper of Rural Retreat, Virginia, who may have been so honored by Morrison either for having granted him permission to marry Dr. Pepper's daughter, or in gratitude to Pepper for having given Morrison his first job. However, Morrison lived nearly 50 miles from Rural Retreat, and Pepper's daughter was only eight years old at the time Morrison moved to Waco.

Another possibility is Dr. Pepper of Christiansburg, Virginia. U.S. Census records show a young Morrison working as a pharmacy clerk in Christiansburg. One of the following pages of this census supposedly shows a Dr Pepper and daughter Malinda or Malissa, age 16. Since census takers of the period were walking door to door, and their census entries were on following pages, it seems likely that Morrison and the family of Dr. Pepper did not live very far from each other.

NAME FORMATTING



Glass bottle of Dr Pepper featuring the 1970s logo.

The period (full stop) after "Dr" was discarded for stylistic and legibility reasons in the 1950s. Dr Pepper's logo was redesigned and the text in this new logo was slanted. The period made "Dr." look like "Di:". After having been used intermittently in previous logos, followed by some debate, the period was removed permanently.

LEGAL & TRADE HISTORY

In 1951, Dr Pepper sued the Coca-Cola company for US\$750,000, asserting that nickel Coca-Colas were sold below cost and were a restraint of trade.

In 1972, Dr Pepper sued the Coca-Cola company for trademark infringement based on a soft drink marketed by Coca-Cola called "Peppo". They tried naming it Dr. Pibb, which was also determined to violate the trademark. The soft drink was later renamed Mr Pibb.

Dr Pepper became insolvent in the early 1980s, prompting an investment group to take the company private. Several years later, Coca-Cola attempted to acquire Dr Pepper, but was blocked from doing so by the Federal Trade Commission (FTC). Around the same time, Seven Up was acquired from Phillip Morris by the same investment company that bailed out Dr Pepper. Upon the failure of the Coca-Cola merger, Dr Pepper and Seven Up merged (creating Dr Pepper/Seven Up, Inc., or DPSU), giving up international branding rights in the process. After the DPSU merger, Coca-Cola obtained most non-US rights to the Dr Pepper name (with PepsiCo taking the Seven Up rights).

Dr Pepper was a frequent player in the 1990s anti-trust history of the United States. As part of these activities, economists and the courts have weighed in with the opinion that Dr Pepper is a "pepper" flavored drink and not a "cola". In 1995, the FTC blocked a merger between The Coca-Cola Company and Dr Pepper on grounds that included concerns about a monopoly of the "pepper" flavor category of soft drinks. In 1996, Dr Pepper was involved in an antitrust case involving Jerry Jones, the Dallas Cowboys, NFL Properties, Nike, and other commercial interests active at Texas Stadium in Irving, Texas. Jones had made deals with Dr Pepper and the other companies that, the league said, violated their exclusive marketing contracts with Coca-Cola and other businesses. The NFL agreed to allow Jones and other teams to pursue their own agreements.

In 1998, the "pepper" flavor soda category was a major part of the analysis supporting an antitrust case between Coca-Cola and Pepsi.

VARIETIES, DIETARY BRANDS

Dietetic Dr Pepper was introduced in 1962 (cans) and 1963 (bottles). Sales were slow partly due to the public misconception that the drink was for diabetics, and in 1966, the company renamed the product Sugar Free Dr Pepper.[The name was changed to Diet Dr Pepper in 1987. In 1991, Diet Dr Pepper was reformulated to use aspartame, according to Cadbury Schweppes. Diet Dr Pepper, after posting a 6.4% gain in sales volume, became the 10th best-selling soda in 2006 according to Beverage Digest magazine. From 1991 to 2006, the beverage was marketed using the slogan "Diet Dr Pepper tastes more like Regular Dr Pepper." In 2006, a new marketing campaign was launched comparing the taste of Diet Dr Pepper to desserts instead of regular Dr Pepper with the slogan "There's nothing diet about it."

Pepper Free (1982-1985) was first introduced to test markets in 1982 as a caffeine-free version of Diet Dr Pepper, citing company research that indicated a need for a product to fill a niche for the health-conscious consumer. Originally introduced in only six states, the Pepper Free brand lasted for only three years, and was phased out in 1985. While a caffeine-free dietetic product continues to be produced under various name permutations, the reason for pulling the Pepper Free brand are unknown, but could have been due to confusion with the rival "Pepsi Free" brand (currently "Caffeine-Free Pepsi").

Caffeine Free Dr Pepper (not diet) was first released in 1983 due to the success of Pepper Free.

Dr Pepper TEN, a low-calorie version of Dr Pepper, was released in 2011. This version retains the iconic taste of regular Dr Pepper's 23 flavors, but with just 10 calories per serving. It is being especially marketed toward men, featuring a distinctly masculine package design, complete with a gunmetal gray color scheme, industrial rivets and bold new font, and the tagline "It's Not for Women."

FLAVOR VARIATIONS

Dr Pepper Red Fusion (2002-2004) was available only in the US. The predominantly cherry-flavored, red-colored Red Fusion was the first new flavor added to the Dr Pepper family of beverages in the company's 122-year history. Its production was essentially canceled less than a year later, although in certain areas it was available until late 2004.

Donna Loren (seen here performing on ABC-TV's Shindig) was Dr Pepper Girl from 1963-68.



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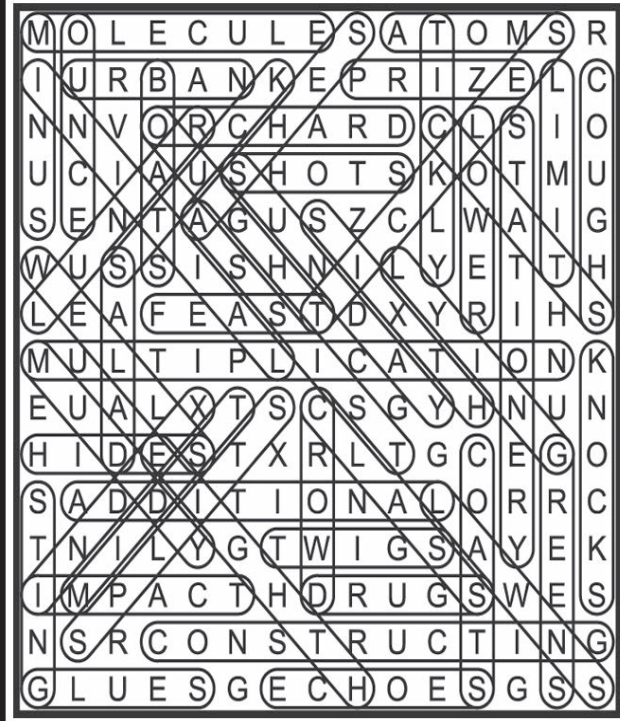
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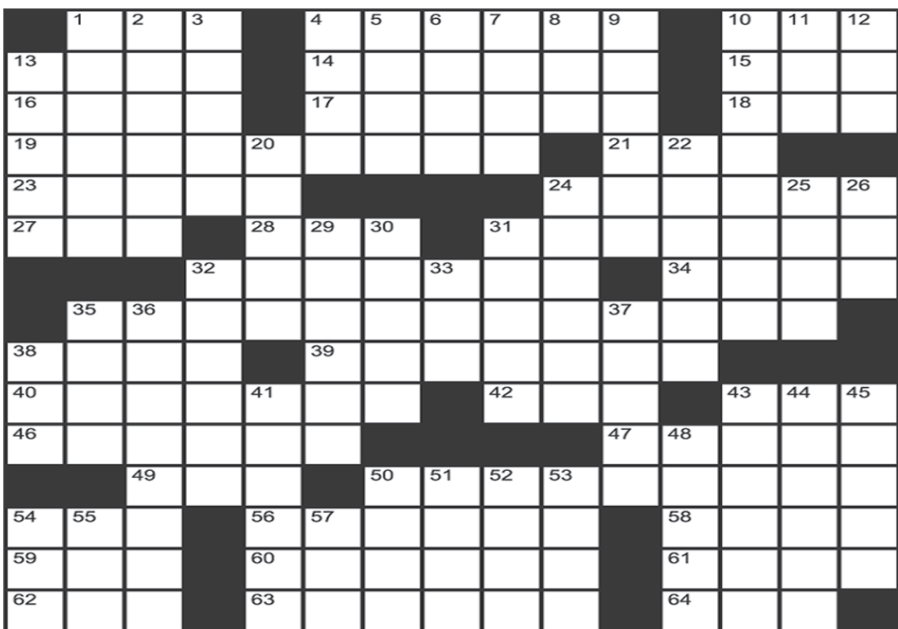
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ACROSS

1. "A Nightmare on ___ Street"
4. Not honore
10. "A jealous mistress": Emerson
13. Certain surgeon's "patient"
14. Sartre novel
15. ___ constrictor
16. Face-to-face exam
17. Flowering plant's reproductive organ
18. Certain digital watch face, for short
19. Fir tree seed producers
21. Australian runner
23. "Come in!"
24. Weightlifting maneuver
27. "I" problem
28. Bull markets
31. Of more dubious character
32. Note prolongation
34. Bamboozles
35. Unwanted item (2 wds)
38. Lentil curry
39. Sudden outburst (hyphenated)
40. Logarithmic unit of sound intensity
42. "To ___ is human ..."
43. Crumb
46. One who twists threads
47. "M*A*S*H" role
49. Baby carrier?
50. Telephone circuit connecting multiple subscribers (2 wds)
54. Elephant's weight, maybe
56. Masked man with a stick
58. Keats, for one
59. "That's ___ ..."
60. Chronicles
61. Colors
62. Oolong, for one

DOWN

1. Astray
2. Shack (hyphenated)
3. Donnybrook
4. So unusual as to be surprising
5. Indian bread
6. "No problem!"
7. Federal agency for mail delivery (abbrev.)
8. Formerly known as
9. Lead sulfide
10. Ritual hand washing
11. ___ v. Wade
12. Bit
13. Pith hat
20. Salad oil holder
22. Like the Marx Brothers
24. Woodworking tool
25. Copper
26. "48 ___"
29. Favor
30. Common sense?
31. About 1.3 cubic yards
32. Entering a legal document into public record
33. C.S.A. state (abbrev.)
35. "That was close!"
36. Main house on a ranch (Spanish)
37. "Faster!"
38. "Silent Spring" subject (abbrev.)
41. Pauper
43. Loathsome
44. Wife of a rajah (pl.)
45. Allowances for waste after deduction for tare
48. Beginning
50. Qualms

Answers on Pg. 4

THE TEXAS BRUSH COUNTRY

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During my senior year at Baylor I made several trips to Monterrey, Mexico to visit the family I lived with while attending Monterrey Tec the previous summer. At certain times of year the wonderful aroma of orange blossoms around the little town of Catarina practically intoxicated me, made me feel good to smell that natural perfume. I knew I had arrived at a special place. It was like entering another world: a world of adventure and excitement. I felt energized with a new sense of freedom.

I love to go to the Texas Brush Country. It has a feeling and atmosphere all its own. The Spanish word for brush is monte or chaparral. It is a land of cowboys and vaqueros and outlaws with a rich history of wild mustangs, Indians and cattle. It is the true west and people who live there have a strong feeling toward the place.

They love good hunting for dove, quail, deer and wild hogs. They love fishing in the Nueces River and creeks and streams that wind throughout the brush country. They love the big sky that makes them feel like doing great things.

It's where the coyotes and javelinas roam among the cactus and mesquite. Pioneers to the area saw past the raw prairie. They saw opportunity. The native grass was good for livestock so they built ranches and raised sheep and cattle. They discovered the rich soil in the area could grow things, so they transformed the region into a winter garden. Abundant springs and a favorable climate allowed farmers to grow two crops a year.

It was not easy for the early settlers, but they were resilient and resourceful with a fierce determination to create a good life for them and their families. They battled severe seasons of drought. But they found ways to survive. They heard of a man up north who would pay for javelin hides. So trapping javelinas became a big enterprise until the drought ended.

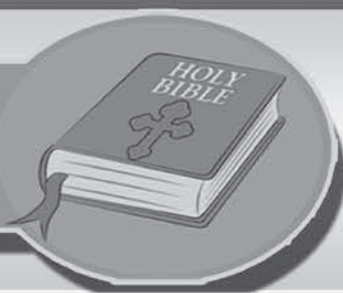
They called on the Texas Rangers to help with the Indians who were making raids on ranches and farms. The Saint Hope cemetery in Carrizo Springs became a shrine to law enforcement because so many Texas Rangers chose to be buried there.

In a part of the brush country once called the Dead Horse Desert, spinach came to be known as green gold and it became a major shipping crop. Pecan trees are prolific. Citrus, olives, cantaloupes and tomatoes thrive in the brush country. Seed onion plants from Carrizo Springs are shipped all over the United States. Eagle Ford Shale has made people aware of black gold.

Dimmit County has an easy pace of life that is attractive to tourists, so winter visitors spend time there and feel welcome. They find residents to be warm, friendly and hospitable. A few palm trees indicate the Rio Grande Valley is just ahead. But people intent on going there may never make it, one they see all the good things the brush country has to offer.

Tumbleweed Smith loves to listen to Texans tell their stories. Contact him at ts@tumbleweedsmith.com

OBITUARIES



Mark Rorie

Funeral services for Mark Rorie, of Sulphur Springs, are pending with Murray-Orwosky Funeral Home. Mark passed away on Tuesday morning, March 17, 2015, in Baylor Health Care in Plano. Arrangements are with Murray-Orwosky Funeral Home



Lillie Mae Reed

Born: September 15, 1930 - Died: March 14, 2015

Funeral services for Lillie Mae Reed, age 84, of Sulphur Springs will be held at 2:00 p.m., Thursday, March 19, 2015 at Murray-Orwosky Funeral Home with Rev. Chad Anthony Edgington officiating. Interment will follow at Oaklawn Cemetery in Cooper with Kyle Edgington, Charles Edgington, Jeremy Crisp, John Edgington and Chad Edgington serving as pallbearers. Visitation will be held from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m., prior to the service.

Lillie Mae passed away on Saturday, March 14, 2015 at Sunny Springs Nursing Home. She was born in Sulphur Springs on September 15, 1930, the daughter of John Joe and Vena Bianca (Doughty) Douglas. She was a seamstress, upholsterer and retired from the H.D. Lee Company.

Survivors include: sons, Cecil Johnny Edgington and wife, Marie of Eules and Charles Wilborn Edgington and his wife, Bettye; nine grandchildren; fifteen great-grandchildren; brother, Marlin Wayne Douglas of Sulphur Springs and sister, Joy Matlock of Sulphur Springs. She was preceded in death by her parents.



Alice Goforth

Graveside service for Alice Goforth, 76, of Sulphur Springs, were held at 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 18, 2015 at Horton Cemetery with Rev. Donnie Powers officiating.

Pallbearers were Collin Stroud, Paul Clayton, Brandon Clayton, Josh Duke, Cameron Stroud, David Rojo, and Justin Duke. Honorary pallbearers were all her adopted kids.

Visitation was held from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 17, 2015 at West Oaks Funeral Home.

Alice passed away on Sunday, March 15, 2015 at Hopkins County Memorial Hospital. She was born on September 5, 1938 in Tulsa, OK, the daughter of Raymond Richard and Erma Vetto Rice Smith. She worked for Community Chest, Green Thumb, and various school districts.

She is survived by son, Steve Duke and wife Laura of Dike, daughters, Brenda Stroud and husband Ricky of Yantis, Rhonda Clayton and husband George of Commerce, brother, Dick Smith and wife Nita of Ft. Worth, sisters, Billie Jean Bullock of Ft. Worth, Peggy Hedrick of Duncan, Ok, Devonna Perryman of Lodi, CA, grandchildren, Paul Clayton and wife Crystal of Commerce, Brandon Clayton of Commerce, Collin Stroud of Sulphur Springs, Josh Duke of Sulphur Springs, Alice Ritchey and husband David of Sulphur Springs, Cameron Stroud and wife Ashley of Forney, Grace Cox of Sulphur Springs, Amber Stribling of Sulphur Springs, Justin Duke of Dike, and eight great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, daughter, Sue Lynn Cox, sister, Lois Smith, and one great-granddaughter, Chandler.



Glynn Rabe

Funeral service for Glynn Rabe, 89, of Emory, were held Monday, March 16, 2015, at the Church of Christ in Emory. David Baker and Robert Waller officiated. Burial followed in Lynch Cemetery.

Visitation was Sunday evening, 4:00 - 6:00 at Wilson-Orwosky Funeral Home.

Mr. Rabe died Friday afternoon at his residence.

He was born Feb. 28, 1926, in Point, to Robert William and Caldonia Belzora Pound. Mr. Rabe served his country during WWII in the U.S. Navy. He served, on a supply ship, in the South Pacific. His position was an anti-aircraft gunner. He was a member of the Church of Christ in Emory. He married Leta Stewart Hurst, at Flats, on June 14, 1984. Mr. Rabe was a retired fire fighter for the Dallas Fire Dept.

Survivors include: Mother: Leta Rabe of Emory; Daughter: Diana (Rabe) Liles (Gary) of Scurry; 2 Sons: Scott Rabe (Jeana) of Van, Chad Rabe (Diane) of Arlington; 2 step-sons: Steven Hurst (Sheriee) of Point and Roger Hurst (Trena) of Ok; 2 step-daughters: Annette Foster (Dick) of Emory and Vicki Walker (Jack) of Golden; Grandchildren: Zac, Lauren, Chase, David, and Hunter; Step-grandchildren: Shanda, Syrus, Stewart, Sammie, Sara, Roger, Jr., Derek Brian, and Canyon; Great-grandchildren: Hannah, Brennen, Bryce, Allie, Jacie, Gus, Beau, Luke, Dillan, and Cody; Mother of his children: Louise Rabe and Loving extended family.

Preceded in death by: Parents; 4 brothers, Lester Rabe, Garrett Rabe, J.B. Rabe, and John Rabe; 4 Sisters: Lota Cason, Gert Hughey, Cleo Ivy, Ophelia Matlack.

Betty Jean Wood

Private funeral services for Betty Jean Wood, age 78, of Sulphur Springs have been held.

Mrs. Wood passed away at her residence on Thursday, March 12, 2015.

She was born on January 13, 1937, the daughter of Edsell and Dorothy Love Moore, in Mervwin, MO. She married Harold Lynn "Woody" Wood, on November 8, 1964, in Las Vegas, NV.

Survivors include: her husband, Harold "Woody" Wood; a daughter, Kathy Cook of Sulphur Springs; sons, Michael Wood and wife Jodi of Sulphur Springs, and Jerry Wood of Los Angeles, CA; a brother, Jack Moore of Sulphur Springs; and grandchildren, Lauren Cook, Elexa Wood, and Lyndon Wood. She was preceded in death by her parents.

Arrangements were with Murray-Orwosky Funeral Home.

Carol Adell Tadlock

Carol Adell Tadlock, age 74, of Brashear, Texas passed away on Sunday, March 15, 2015 at Sunny Springs Nursing Home in Sulphur Springs, Texas.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, March 17, 2015 at 10:00 A.M. at R.W. Owens & Son Funeral Home Chapel in Wolfe City. Interment followed at Ladonia Cemetery in Ladonia, Texas with Ty Romans, Matt Romans, Jennifer Haynes, Tray Haynes, Randy W. Tadlock, and Russell Pickens serving as pallbearers. Honorary pallbearers were Tyler Crumpton-Tadlock and Landon Tadlock.

Visitation was held on Monday, March 16, 2015 from 6:00 - 8:00 P.M. at R. W. Owens & Son Funeral Home in Wolfe City, Texas.

She was born on August 4, 1940 in Greenville, Texas to Edwin and Evelyn Smith Branom. She married Clarence Wayne Tadlock on February 13, 1957 in Durant, Oklahoma and he precedes her in death.

She is survived by three children; Robin Pickens and her husband Russell of Bluffton, Arkansas, Randy Tadlock and wife Leann of Sulphur Springs, and Rusty Tadlock of Mena, Arkansas, four grandchildren Randy W. Tadlock, Jennifer Haynes, Brandon Tadlock, Shannon Tadlock, and six great-grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her parents, husband and grandson Jason Tadlock.



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