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What do kids do when they live in the Rocky Mountains in Colorado? Is life much different there for Texas kids? Not really. During my first trip ever to the Centennial State, I reunited with 3 grandchildren who moved there this past summer to Grand Junction. The word "junction is an old-fashioned word, so I wondered how the town earned the name. It's partly because of it's situation at the junction of two rivers, the Colorado and the Gunnison, also because the Colorado River was once known as the Grand River. Within the city, the Colorado River appears as a playfully moving stream. However, as it runs alongside I-70 between Denver and Grand Junction right across the Continental Divide, it displays a mightier personality with occasional rapids. Coming across those passes, the scenery is breathtaking with aspens a shimmering golden yellow, snow on the slopes at Vail, and every vista looking like a calendar scene of Indian

Two of my daughters, Jessica and Angela, both moved there with their husbands and children. My 18-year-old granddaughter Samantha took the trip with me. Some of our excursions included fishing for trout, hiking up a mesa and enjoying the eclectic fun of Grand Junction. downtown neighboring Fruita, the kids attend a Montessori school. Back at the house, we constructed a Halloween House (similar to a gingerbread house) and spent LOTS of time on the trampoline.

I scheduled the Fall trip in part with the birth of a new grandbaby, but his arrival did not coincide with my week in Grand Junction. I guess I'll just have to meet Remington Barnes at Thanksgiving!

I admit, Texas looks a little drab now compared to what I experienced out west. But, there's truly no place like home! Til next week, let's bloom where we are planted and count our blessings to be living in the wide open freedom of the United States!

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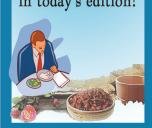
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#### Barbara Jean Jones

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born on April 27, 1954 in ford eral businesses.

husband, Don; son, Donnie tal, Sulphur Springs. kayla Jones, Donavan Jones, "PeeWee" retired from Tycia, Jordin Sharp, and Austin Central Maintenance. He Bernice Haygood, age 92

Bennett.

#### Winford "Pee Wee" **Tippett**

Barbara Jean Jones was Memorial Service for Win-Fort Walton Beach, FL the age 84, of Sulphur Springs, daughter of Lambert Sam- will be held at 2:00 P.M. on the direction of Murray-Oruel and Shinobu (Sakurai) Tuesday, October 24, 2017 wosky Funeral Home. Schotten. She married Don at Murray-Orwosky Funeral Jones in Santa Maria, CA on Chapel with Rev. Justin Wil- Billie Johnson October 24, 1968. Barbara son officiating. Mr. Tippett worked as manager of sev- passed away on Sunday, Johnson, age 53, of Sulphur October 15, 2017 at CHRIS- Springs, are pending. Ms. She is survived by her TUS Mother Frances Hospi- Johnson passed away on

Sulphur Springs; daughter, Tippett was born on March Hospital. Tara Bennett and husband 15, 1933, in Scurry Rosser, Mark of Fresno, CA; grand- Texas, the son of Cleo and the direction of Murray-Orchildren, Sean Jones, Mi- Elenor (Braizer) Tippett. wosky Funeral Home. Brigitte Jones, Joseph Gar- ler Pipe where he worked in Bernice Haygood

his daughter, Tiffany Tippett good and raised their chil-

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Funeral service for Billie Monday, October 9, 2017 Jones and wife Jennifer of Winford Sullivan "PeeWee" at Christus Mother Frances

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served in the Army during of Mt. Vernon, TX, passed grandchildren. She is also in the morning at Beaty Fu-Barbara was preceded in the Korean War as a Medic, away on October 16, 2017. survived by her nieces and neral Home, immediately for Barbara Jean Jones, age death by her parents; brother, and was a Golden Glove Bernice was born May 11, nephews and many friends. Feather Weight Boxer in his 1925 to W.P. and Etta (Walk-Funeral arrangements are the visitation and funeral, in-Arrangements are under youth and a member of the er) Meadows. She married under the direction of Beaty Circle in Sulphur Springs on the direction of Murray-Or- VFW. He is survived by Clarence Moses (C.M.) Hay- Funeral Home in Winnsboro. and granddaughter, Trinity dren in Ballinger, TX. She ily will begin on Thursday, Tippett of Sulphur Springs, was a member of Good Hope October 19, 2017, at 10:00 Primitive Baptist Church in o'clock in the morning at Franklin County.

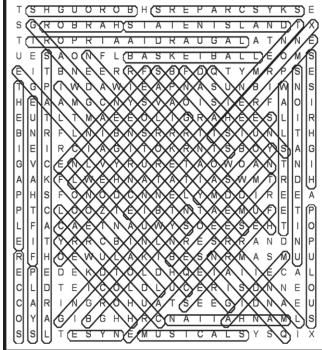
She is preceded in death by her husband, C.M. Haygood; parents, W.P. and Etta Meadows; three grandsons, Brannon, Heath, and Russ Haygood; along with her brothers and sisters, Thyra Wallace, Virginia Holley, Phyllis McCoy, and John Meadows.

Bernice is survived by sons, Raymond Haygood and wife, Charlotte, of Sulphur Springs, TX, and Dale Haygood and wife, Debbie, of Saltillo, TX,;daughters, Jan Willis and husband, Mike, of Mt. Vernon, TX. and Ann Rector and husband, Robert, of Mt. Pleasant, TX; brothers, Phil and Jimmy Meadows, both of Gallup, NM;sister, Margaret Gobble, of Ballinger, TX;brother-in-law, Leroy McCoy, of Farmington, NM;grandchildren, Brigette, Jennifer, Kelsey, Brandie, Jennie, Amanda, Jordan, Jana, Kevin, Gina, and Lindsey; and 26 great-

A visitation with the fam-Beaty Funeral Home, 816 W. Broadway, Winnsboro, Texas 75494. Funeral services will begin at 11:00 o'clock

after visitation. Following terment will be at Hopewell Cemetery in Winnsboro, TX. Officiating the services will be Elder Jimmy Hamrick. Pallbearers include Chris Rector, Kevin Haygood, Jordan Willis, Noah Craver, Corbin Craver, Kannon Daffin, Kameron Foy, and Jeff Daffin.

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When I visited him in his store and studio in the old San Jacinto district I told him it was hard to find a parking place nearby.

"There's one reason for that," he said. "It's Route 66. There's a lot of antique shops around here and locals come down to go to the junk stores. One of them told me he buys junk and sells it for antiques.

There are four art galleries down in this area." Crock is an artist.

"Well I'm an abstract expressionist. That's my first choice. I do landscapes, still life, figure studies, but my first love is abstract. And I make mosaics from paint chips off the cars at Cadillac Ranch. My latest claim to fame is making jewelry out of those paint chips. They're four or five inches thick and I thin them down. They fall off on the ground. Kids knock them off 'cause they crawl all over them and the wind blows them off. I just pick them up and recycle them. They estimate nearly a million people a year go out there and spray paint the cars. It's weird, man. I mean people from all over the world come to Amarillo and one of the rules is you've got to go to Cadillac ranch. And they're on motorcycles, in Mustangs, Corvettes, and old cars. They're out there." He's been making the jewelry nearly three years.

"It has put me on the map. I now have it in thirty-three states, eight European countries, Canada, China, Japan, Australia and New Zealand. I make rings, bracelets, necklaces, earrings and all kinds of stuff. I'm not getting rich but I'm paying the rent."

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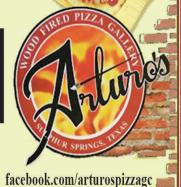
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