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Almost everyone in the South loves Southern Gospel Music. There's something in it that speaks to our roots, down deep. You and I probably have nearly duplicate childhood memories of church when that was the rule for families, not the exception. Some preachers' kids, like the owner/editor of this publication, were practically reared in Revival tents with all-day singings and dinner-on-the-grounds. We may not be able to return to our youth, but we can appreciate the traveling ministers back then and those who still follow this way of life, like Buddy and Ina Gore of Hopkins County.



Buddy Gore and Ina Delozier met and married in 1982. Both had children but neither had children still at home. Ina was raised in Hugo, Oklahoma in church and at singings, and was actually in a gospel duo when she met Buddy. Soon afterward she lost her singing partner to a move out West. Buddy asked Ina if a music ministry was what she really wanted to do, and she said "Yes". So he got busy and helped her put together a full band which became "Psalms 100 and the Joyful Noise Band". They got a tour bus and Buddy did the driving as they traveled and ministered all over Oklahoma and the Ark-La-Tex. Ever a cowboy and horse trader, the gospel music lifestyle slowly claimed a larger and larger part of Buddy's life and persona. He opened a business, BGM Tours, a Christian charter bus service which utilized the on-the-road skills he was learning. He and Ina also began producing the annual Gospel Songfest for the Hopkins County Fall Festival, and did so for 33 years. After earning Songwriter, Promoter and Vocalist of the Year recognition, the pair was honored in 2015 with a Lifetime Achievement award and Hall of Fame induction by the International Country Gospel Music Association. Two years later, it was time to slow down, quit the road and downsize. They let the band go, became more active with the Praise and Worship team at their home church, Brashear Baptist Church, and re-formed Psalms 100 into a duo. Today, their music ministry continues with Buddy playing rhythm guitar and providing comedy as well as harmony for Ina's vocal tracks and personal testimonies. Ina's original songs regularly chart on various Christian Gospel music genre charts. They plan to sing and minister at Revivals and special events around Northeast Texas, and their 2018 calendar promises they will stay as busy as they wish to be!

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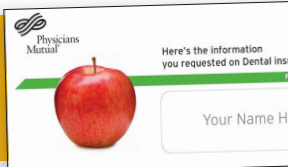
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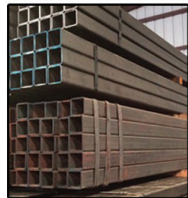


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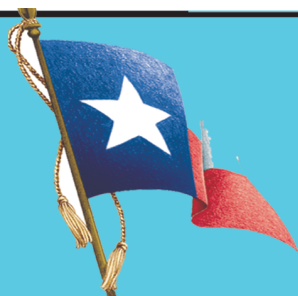
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Larry N. Moore

Obituary For Larry N. Moore

Funeral services for Larry N. Moore, 77, of Sulphur Springs, will be held at 1:00 p.m., Friday, January 12, 2018 at West Oaks Funeral Home with Rev. Henry Suche officiating. Interment will follow at Forest Park Cemetery in Greenville, with Brett Moore, Mike Moore, Kaden Moore, Noah Tippit, Brad Potteiger, Kyle Potteiger, Parker McGlamery, and Chris McGlamery serving as pallbearers. Honorary pallbearer will be Carston Moore. Visitation will be held from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., prior to the service. Larry passed away on Monday, January 8, 2018 at his residence. He was born on March 19, 1940, in Greenville, TX, the son of Benton and Ina Green Moore. He married Bonnie McGlamery on July 29, 2005 in Sulphur Springs, TX. She survives. Larry graduated with his BS degree from East Texas State University in 1962, where he was a member of the Kappa Alpha Fraternity. He was a member of Jaycees Club from 1970 to 1972 and Kiwanis Club in 1970 where he became the president in 1975. He taught social studies at Richardson High School from 1962 to 1968. In 1968 he became an agent for State Farm Insurance where he worked for 50 years. He was state director of the National Association of Life Underwriters from 1968 to 1971. He was an instructor for Greenville Red Cross Water Safety and a little league coach for many years. In addition to his wife, Bonnie Moore, Larry is also survived by sons, Mike Moore and wife Kim of Sulphur Springs, Brett Moore and wife Darla of Greenville, daughters, Terri Moore Gammill of South Fork, CO, Amy Moore Potteiger and husband Brad of Corpus Christi, grandchildren, Ashley Robertson, Brooke and Lindsey Gammill, Amber Tippit, Kyle, Kayla, and Kenzi Potteiger, Chesley McGlamery, Kasey, Kaden and Carston Moore, great-grandchild, Chandler Moore, children, Tammy Wallis, Chris McGlamery and wife Leslie, grandchildren, Hillary Sartin and husband Carey, Morgan Shearer, Macy McGlamery, Parker McGlamery, great-grandchild, Brynzlee Miller. He was preceded in death by his parents. Arrangements are under the direction of West Oaks Funeral Home. www.westoaksfuneralhome.com



FAMOUS TEXANS

Selena Gomez Singer - Actress



Selena Marie Gomez born July 22, 1992) is an American singer and actress. She began her career starring in the children's television series *Barney & Friends* (2002–2004). Gomez rose to fame playing the lead role of Alex Russo in the Disney Channel television series *Wizards of Waverly Place* (2007–2012). She has starred in the films *Another Cinderella Story* (2008), *Princess Protection Program* (2009), *Ramona and Beezus* (2010), *Monte Carlo* (2011), *Spring Breakers* (2012), *Getaway* (2013) and *The Fundamentals of Caring* (2016). She also voices the character of Mavis in the *Hotel Transylvania* film franchise.

In 2008, she founded her own production company, July Moon Productions, and formed her band Selena Gomez & the Scene. The group released three studio albums: *Kiss & Tell* (2009), *A Year Without Rain* (2010) and *When the Sun Goes Down* (2011), before disbanding in 2012. Gomez then released her debut solo album *Stars Dance* (2013). The album debuted atop the U.S. *Billboard* 200, and included the top ten single "Come & Get It". After putting out a compilation album as her fifth and final release through Hollywood Records, which was preceded by her second top ten single, "The Heart Wants What It Wants", Gomez signed a new recording contract with Interscope Records. She released her second solo album, *Revival* (2015). The album debuted on top of the *Billboard* 200, while the first three singles "Good for You", "Same Old Love", and "Hands to Myself" all topped the *Mainstream Top 40* chart in the United States. In 2017, she released three singles, "Bad Liar", "Fetish", and "Wolves". According to *Billboard*, Gomez has sold over 7 million albums and 22 million singles worldwide.

Outside entertainment, Gomez released her own clothing line through *Kmart* in 2010 and a self-titled fragrance in 2013. In 2017, she released a limited-edition collection of handbags called the "Selena Grace" that she designed in collaboration with luxury brand *Coach, Inc.* She has worked with various charitable organizations for years and became a *UNICEF* ambassador at the age of seventeen.

As of September 2017, Gomez is the most followed Instagram user in the world. Gomez has earned numerous awards throughout her career, including an *ALMA Award*, an *American Music Award*, an *MTV Video Music Award*, a *People's Choice Award*, two *Billboard Women in Music Awards*, and sixteen *Teen Choice Awards*.

1992–2006: Early life and career beginnings:

Selena Marie Gomez was born in Grand Prairie, Texas on July 22, 1992, to Ricardo Joel Gomez and former stage actress Amanda Dawn "Mandy" Cornett. Gomez was named after Tejano singer and actress Selena Quintanilla-Pérez, who died in 1995. Her father is of Mexican descent while her mother, who was adopted, has some Italian ancestry. Regarding her Hispanic heritage, Gomez has stated, "My family does have Quinceañeras, and we go to the communion church. We do everything that's Catholic, but we don't really have anything traditional except [that we] go to the park and have barbecues on Sundays after church." Gomez's parents divorced when she was five years old, and she remained with her mother. Selena has two siblings: Gracie Elliot Teehey was born to Amanda and her second husband Brian Teehey on June 12, 2013; and Victoria "Tori" Gomez was born to Ricardo and his wife Sara Gomez on June 25, 2014. She earned her high-school diploma through homeschooling in May 2010, when her mother was sixteen years old. The family had financial troubles during Gomez's childhood, with her mother struggling to provide for the pair. At one point, Gomez recalled, they had to search for quarters just to get gas for their car. Her mother later recalled that the two would frequently walk to their local dollar store to purchase spaghetti for dinner. Gomez stated, "I was frustrated that my parents weren't together, and never saw the light at the end of the tunnel where my mom was working hard to provide a better life for me. I'm terrified of what I would have become if I'd stayed [in Texas]." She later added that "[My mom] was really strong around me. Having me at 16 had to have been a big responsibility. She gave up everything for me, had three jobs, supported me, sacrificed her life for me." Gomez had a close relationship with her grandparents as a child, and appeared in various pageants growing up. Her grandparents often took care of her while her parents finished their schooling, and the pair went as far as stating that they "raised her" up until she found success in the entertainment industry.

Gomez first gained an interest in pursuing a career in the entertainment industry watching her mother prepare for stage productions. She began auditioning for various roles, meeting Demi Lovato during an audition for *Barney & Friends*. Both Gomez and Lovato were later selected to appear on the series in 2002, with Gomez portraying the character of Gianna. The show was her first experience in acting, with Gomez recalling, "I was very shy when I was little I didn't know what 'camera right' was. I didn't know what blocking was. I learned everything from Barney." Gomez appeared in fourteen episodes of the show between 2002 and 2004, though the show's producers released her as she was getting "too old" for the series. While working on the series, Gomez had a cameo role in the film *Spy Kids 3-D: Game Over* (2003) and the made-for-television film *Walker, Texas Ranger: Trial by Fire* (2005). Gomez made a guest appearance in a 2006 episode of the Disney series *The Suite Life of Zack & Cody*.

Gomez was given a recurring role on the popular Disney Channel series *Hannah Montana* in 2007, portraying pop star Mikayla. During this time, Gomez filmed pilot episodes for two potential Disney Channel series; the first, titled *Arwin!*, a spin-off of the *Suite Life* series, while the second was a spin-off of the series *Lizzie McGuire*. She later auditioned for a role in the Disney series *Wizards of Waverly Place*, ultimately winning the lead role of Alex Russo. Upon receiving the role, Gomez and her mother moved to Hollywood, Los Angeles, California; Lovato and her family also moved to Hollywood, hoping to achieve similar success to Gomez. *Wizards of Waverly Place* saw Gomez portraying a teenage girl in a family of wizards who own a restaurant in New York. The series quickly became a hit for the network, propelling Gomez to more mainstream success. The series received numerous nominations and awards. Gomez recorded the theme song for the series, titled "Everything is Not What It Seems." Gomez later appeared in the music video for the song "Burnin' Up", which the Jonas Brothers had recorded and released, and later, she also appeared in an episode of the reality series *Jonas Brothers: Living the Dream*.

While working on the second season of *Wizards of Waverly Place*, Gomez appeared on the Disney Channel special *Studio DC: Almost Live* alongside various other Disney stars. She contributed a cover of the song "Cruella de Vil" to the compilation album *DisneyMania 6*, and later recorded the original song "Fly to Your Heart" for the soundtrack of the animated film *Tinker Bell*. She had a leading role as an aspiring dancer in the musical film *Another Cinderella Story* that year. The film was released to generally positive reviews, and won the 2010 *Writers Guild of America Award for Children's script-long form or special*. Gomez recorded three songs for the soundtrack, and released one of them, "Tell Me Something I Don't Know", as a promotional single. Later that year, Gomez had the supporting role of Helga in the animated film *Horton Hears a Who!* The film was a commercial success, and went on to gross nearly \$300 million worldwide.

At 16 years of age, Gomez was signed to a recording contract with the Hollywood Records label, which had already signed both Cyrus and Lovato. Gomez formed her own production company in 2008, which she called July Moon Productions. She partnered with XYZ Films for the project, giving Gomez the opportunity to option articles, hire writers and create talent packages to shop to studios. Gomez was slated to release two films under the company. The first, titled *What Boys Want*, with Gomez as a girl who could hear the thoughts of men. She later announced a film adaptation of the novel *Thirteen Reasons Why*, in which she was to play a young girl who commits suicide; ultimately, neither film was released, though Gomez would later executive produce a television adaptation of *Thirteen Reasons Why*.

Gomez confirmed in January 2012 that she would be taking a break from her music career, thus placing Selena Gomez & the Scene on a hiatus. That year, *Wizards of Waverly Place* officially ended its run on the Disney Channel after four successful seasons. Gomez hoped to focus on her film career outside Disney, and starred alongside Adam Sandler and Steve Buscemi in the animated film *Hotel Transylvania* (2012). The film premiered at the 37th annual *Toronto International Film Festival* and was released on September 28, 2012. Gomez had a role in the controversial exploitation film *Spring Breakers* (2013), starring James Franco. The film saw Gomez in a more mature role than her previous works, and reportedly led to Gomez having a "bit of a meltdown on set." In 2013, Gomez starred in the film *Getaway*, alongside Ethan Hawke. The film was a critical and commercial failure, and earned Gomez a nomination for *Worst Actress* at the 34th *Golden Raspberry Awards*.

Despite her earlier claims that she would be taking a break from her music career, Gomez confirmed in October 2012 that she was working on new material. She later confirmed that she would be releasing her solo debut album, as opposed to another album with her band. Gomez released "Come & Get It" as the lead single from the album. The single became Gomez's first top ten entry on the *Billboard* Hot 100. *Stars Dance* was released on July 23, 2013. It became her first album to debut at number one on the *US Billboard* 200 chart, where it sold 97,000 copies in its first week. The album remained in the top ten in its second week, though declined down the chart in the following weeks. The record was met with mixed reviews where some music critics noticed her inability to create her own musical identity and her lack of vocal abilities "doesn't help." Gomez incorporated choreography and dance routines into her promotional performances and music videos for the album, feeling inspired by artists such as Janet Jackson and Britney Spears. As of September 2015, the album has sold 392,000 copies in the United States, making it her lowest selling studio album to date in the country.

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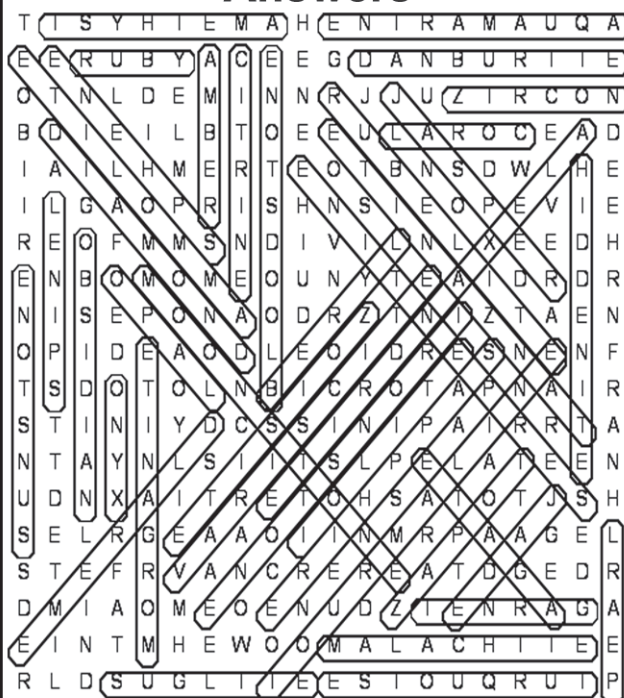
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Answers



SMOKE ON THE MOUNTAIN REPEATS IN ELDORADO

Tumbleweed Smith



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WAY OFF BROADWAY PLAYERS is the name of a theater group in Eldorado. In the late 1980's the WOBP performed the musical SMOKE ON THE MOUNTAIN. It's the story of some church folks in South Carolina who decided to take their music and message on the road. Eldorado audiences loved it. People came from far and near to see it. It was the theater's first full musical production.

“We did 43 performances over a period of 4 or 5 years and had sold out houses,” says Terry Weaver, who was actively involved in the show. “We had people sitting in the aisles and practically hanging from the rafters. It was so funny and people just wanted to laugh and have a good time. Audiences identify with it because it's sort of a caricature of small town church folks.”

The musical requires actors to play instruments. The theater has a fine set of actors, some who can sing, but few played instruments. So they had the elementary music teacher and a church pianist give them lessons. Terry learned to play several.

“I played the guitar, the mandolin, the dulcimer, the banjo, the harmonica, the accordion, the nose flute, the washboard, the spoons.” The rhythm section includes a cowbell, tub bass and a basket of beans. They rehearsed a long time before hitting the stage.

“We rehearsed on the music s full year. We were all so new to it. In addition to having to learn how to play all those instruments, there were 25 songs that were new to us and we had to learn them. After 43 performances, we were sounding like pros.”

The WOBP will once again stage SMOKE ON THE MOUNTAIN. “We're doing it the first two weekends in February and the last weekend in February. It was amazing when we all got back together again how little we had forgotten. The songs just came back.”

Audiences will see most of the original thirteen cast members. “All are back except four. They are either incapacitated; dead, no longer living here or just didn't want to do it. We've been rehearsing since September.

Terry recommends making reservations to hear the southern gospel and bluegrass music, since the theater only seats 140.

The theater group in Eldorado has done some amazing productions, especially for a small town of about 1900 residents. It did an original Hee-Haw type show and a play that Terry wrote. Terry says they rarely do anything serious because people don't like it as much as they like funny stuff. However the theater did STEEL MAGNOLIAS.

The theater itself is in an old movie theater that had an apartment for the projectionist. The building owner donated it with the stipulation that it be used to present plays. A usual season for the group is two plays a year.

Obits

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Larry Steve Fisher

Funeral service for Larry Steve Fisher, age 75, of Brashear, TX will be held at 11:00 A.M. on Friday, January 12, 2018 with Rev. David Burns officiating and Rev. Mike Davis assisting and grandsons, Corey Follis, Kasey Follis, Dustin Dunn, Josh Dunn, Caden Phillips and Zack Thronson serving as honorary pallbearers. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service. Mr. Fisher passed away on Tuesday, January 9, 2018 at his home.

Larry Steve Fisher was born on December 7, 1942 in Sulphur Springs, TX, the son of Denver and Fay Fisher. He married Helen Alford Phillips on September 15, 1981 in Oklahoma. Larry was of the Baptist Faith.

He is survived by his wife, Helen; children, Robyn Bailey and husband, Scott, Angie Dunn and husband, Michael, Rick Phillips and wife, Jodi, Larry Fisher Jr., and wife, Nickie, Suzie Anderson and husband, Kevin, Linda Thronson and husband,

Paul, Missy Cagel and husband, Roger; nine grandchildren, five great grandchildren; sister Mary Petty and husband, Ronnie.

Larry was preceded in death by his parents; grandson, Colter Phillips.

Memorials can be made to Brashear Baptist Church Building Fund.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Murray-Orwosky Funeral Home.



GySgt. Van Edwin Blize

Funeral services for GySgt. Van Edwin Blize, 64, of Port Aransas, TX will be held at 2:00 p.m., Thursday, January 11, 2018 at West Oaks Funeral Home Chapel with Dr. Jimmy Henry officiating. Military graveside honors by the Hopkins County Military Coalition will follow at Restlawn Memorial Park with Tim Dorsett, Billie R. Blize, Steve Blize, James Blize, Steven Morgan, Bryan Wawarosky, and Drake McWhorter serving as pallbearers. Honorary pallbearer will be Joe Jack Lee. There will be no formal visitation.

Van was born on July 27, 1953 in Midland, TX, the son of Melvin and Billie L. Blize. He retired from the United States Marine Corps in 1991. Van passed away on Monday, January 8, 2018 in Arlington, TX.

Van is survived by Daughters; Dawn Soliz and husband Timothy Dorsett, Briana Weisinger and husband Ronen Barda, Billie R. Blize and wife Sarah Blize, Vanessa Wawarosky and husband Bryan Wawarosky, Grandchildren; Drake McWhorter, Garrett Dorsett, Carter Vara, Bella Boo, Ashton Dorsett, Xander Dorsett, Warren Ball, Alanna Ball, Shira Barda, Ari Barda, Aiden Lopez, Justin Wawarosky, Mother; Billie L. Blize, Brother; Roy Blize and wife Linda Blize, Sisters; Jan Blize and Lou Gail Armstrong.

He was preceded in death by his father, Melvin Blize.

Arrangements are under the direction of West Oaks Funeral Home.

John Irby

Graveside service for John Irby, age 70, of Sulphur Springs, TX will be held at a later date. Mr. Irby passed away on Saturday, January 6, 2018 at Sulphur Springs Health and Rehab, Sulphur Springs, TX

John Paul Irby was born on August 22, 1947 in Pittsburg, Texas to Horace and Mattie (Thomas) Irby. John served in the US Army during Vietnam. He was a delivery driver for Air Tech.

He is survived by his daughter, Sandi Hancock; grandchild, Presli Hancock; brother Ronny Irby; sister Dorothy Peterson.

He was preceded in death by his parents and sister, Pat Henderson.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Murray-Orwosky Funeral Home.

Doris Starrett

Doris Starrett, age 88, of Sulphur Springs, passed away

Monday, January 8, 2018 at Sunny Springs Nursing and Rehab. Arrangements are pending with West Oaks Funeral Home. www.westoaksfuneral-home.com



Mary Lynne Jolley

Mary Lynne Jolley (Granny), 94, of Sulphur Springs went to be with her Lord and Savior on January 7, 2018. She was born on September 9, 1923 in Sulphur Springs, the daughter of Elvis and Mary Bailey Hurley. She married Byron Dickerson on November 24, 1953 in Sulphur Springs, he preceded her in death on September 23, 1977. She later married Troy Jolley on March 6, 1981, he preceded her in death in 2009. She was also preceded in death by her parents and sisters, Kathleen Champagne and Nancy Hughes.

Mary Lynne was the owner of Mary Lynne's Collegiate Shoppe which was not only known for fashionable clothing but a gathering place for her dear friends and customers. She was a past member of the Lena Day Garden Club, Dial Study Club, Christian Women's Fellowship, Community Bible Study, and numerous bridge clubs. Mary Lynne was a 70-year member of First Christian Church serving in many areas of ministry. She was presently a member of First Presbyterian Church.

She is survived by daughters, Denise Booher and husband Reece of Sulphur Springs, Deanne Ragan and husband Truman of Sulphur Springs. She is also survived by her adoring grandchildren, Brandon Booher and wife Laney, Tanner Ragan and wife Holly, Tye Boatman and husband Josh, Blaine Booher and wife Nicole and Bailey Booher. Granny loved her great-grandchildren Reese Ragan, Ramsey Ragan, Ryan Ragan, Bayler Boatman, Brett Boatman, Bryce Booher, Bennett Booher, Cora Booher and Blake Booher who brought much joy to her. She is also survived by Troy's children, Troy Jolley, Jr. and wife Janett, Pattie Wichern and husband Frank, Cindy Ray and husband Norman, and their families. A special thank you to her loving long time caregiver, Judy Massey and the Carriage House Manor caregivers and staff.

Services were held at 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, January 10, 2018 at West Oaks Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Joel Tiemeyer officiating. Interment followed at Sulphur Springs City Cemetery with grandsons serving as pallbearers. Honorary pallbearers were her nephews and nieces. Visitation was held from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 9, 2018 at West Oaks Funeral Home. Arrangements were under the direction of West Oaks Funeral Home. www.westoaksfuneralhome.com. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Sulphur Springs City Cemetery or charity of your choice.

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